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Inter•Poll: Why It Doesn't Detect Bridges or Gateways

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Some users have noticed that Inter•Poll only displays local bridges when encountering bridges or gateways, like a FastPath. For example, in an office with an Ethernet backbone and three Kinetics FastPaths, Inter•Poll finds all devices on AppleTalk and Ethernet. However, it ignores two FastPaths that reside outside the Inter•Poll workstation zone.

The reason for this is that unnamed network devices, like bridges or gateways, do not respond to echo packets outside their assigned networks. Therefore, Inter•Poll fails to detect bridges and gateways located beyond the local network.

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