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Introduction to the Internet

Course objectives:

Understand how the Internet (and other networks) works!

- Get the standard network terminology: router, switch, links, AS, ...
- Understand the principal protocols: Ethernet, TCP, IP, DNS, HTTP...
- Tackle more advanced topics: security, management, ...

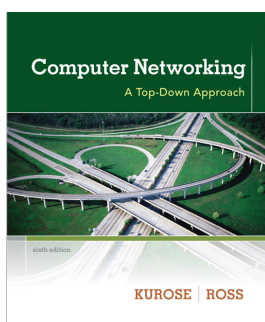
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Textbook



Computer Networking: A Top-Down Approach

Jim Kurose, Keith Ross
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Online Ressources

- Website of the textbook: <http://kuroseross.com/>
- Lecture's slides available on Waseda portal
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Today's Lecture: Introduction to the Internet

What is the Internet?

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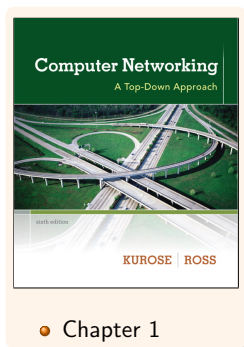
2 Internet Infrastructure

- The Network Edge
- Physical media
- The Network Core

3 Packet Switching: Delay, Loss, and Throughput

4 Internet Protocols

5 Internet History



Definition from Wikipedia:

The Internet is a **global system of interconnected computer networks** that use the **standard Internet protocol suite** to serve several billion users **worldwide**. [plus a few hundreds lines...]

Two points of view:

- Internet Infrastructure
- Internet Services

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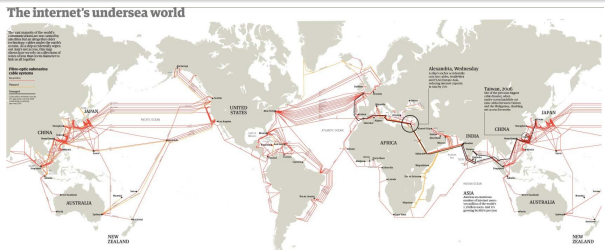
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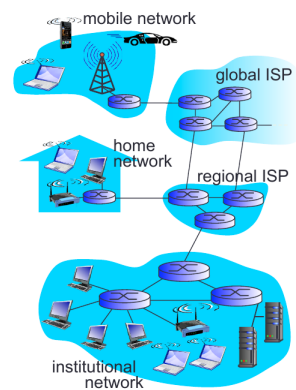
Internet Infrastructure

- The largest engineered system ever created by mankind
- Spans the globe
 - 8.7 billion connected devices [Forbes/Cisco,2013] (workstations, servers, laptops, smartphones, tablets, TV, gaming consoles, cars, sensor, security systems, coffee machine....)
 - Plus the numerous communication cables and switches!
 - Billions of users



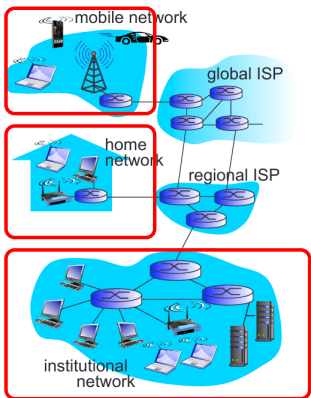
Internet Infrastructure

- Computing devices
- hosts = end systems
 - e.g. PCs, smartphones, servers
 - running distributed applications
- Communication links
- wired: optical fiber, copper wire
 - wireless: radio, satellite
- Packet switches
- forward packets (chunks of data)
 - routers and switches
- Internet is a “network of networks”



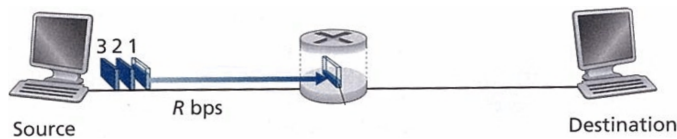
The Network Edge

- Host
- PCs, smartphones, servers, ...
- Home network
- Wired (e.g. Twisted pair)
 - Wireless (e.g. Wifi)
 - Switch, wireless access point
- Internet access
- Modem
 - Wired (e.g. DSL, cable, dial-up)
 - Wireless (e.g. 3G, satellite)

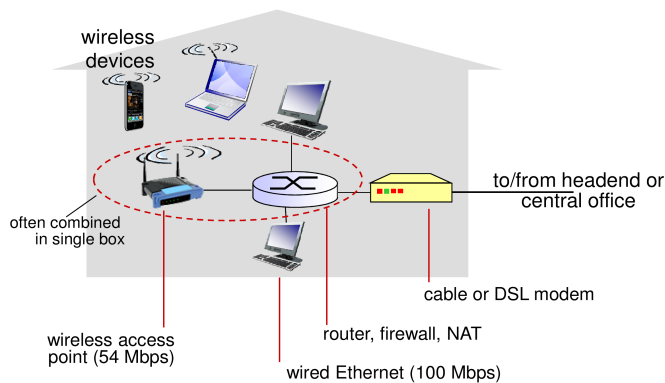


The Network Edge: Host

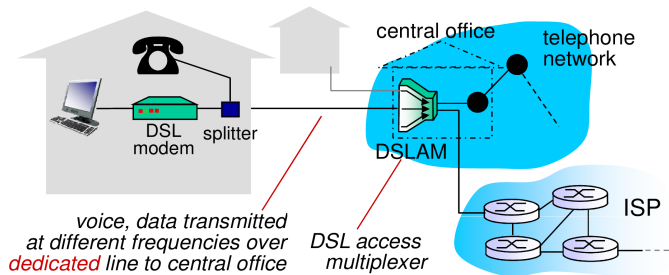
- Source host sending function
- Takes the application message
 - Breaks it into smaller chunks, known as **packets**, of L bits
 - **Packet**: help to improve communication performance and reliability
- Destination host receiving function
- Aggregate the received packets
 - Give the message to the application



The Network Edge: Home network

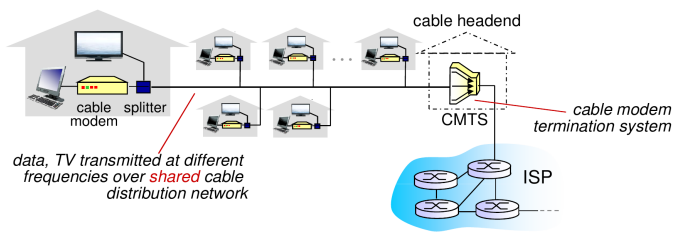


Internet access: Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)



- Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)
- Use existing telephone line to central office DSLAM
 - < 2.5 Mbps upstream transmission rate (typically < 1 Mbps)
 - < 24 Mbps downstream transmission rate (typically < 10 Mbps)

Internet access: Cable Network



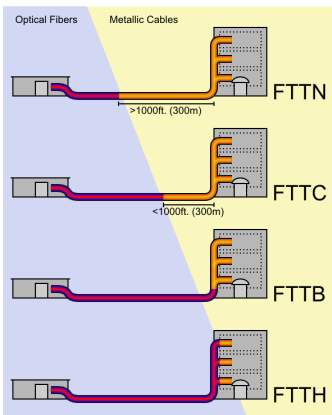
HFC: Hybrid Fiber Coax

- Network of cable and fiber attaches homes to ISP
→ Homes **share access network** to cable headend (unlike DSL)
- **Frequency division multiplexing**: different channels transmitted in different frequency bands
- < 30 Mbps downstream and < 2 Mbps upstream transmission rate

Internet access: Fiber to the Home (FTTH)

Fiber to the Home (FTTH)

- Optical fiber between the central office and the subscriber
- < 1 Gbps downstream
< 1 Gbps upstream
- Transmission rate are mainly limited by the length of the copper wire
- Deployed mainly in urban areas



Wireless Internet access



Shared wireless access network

- Terrestrial Radio Channel
 - **Wireless LAN**:
 - within building (tens of meters)
 - e.g. 802.11b/g (WiFi): 11, 54 Mbps transmission rate
 - **Wide-area wireless access**:
 - used by mobile devices (tens of kilometers)
 - e.g. 3G, 4G: 1 to 10 Mbps transmission rate
- Satellite Radio Channel
 - Used in areas where DSL and cable access is unavailable
 - good transmission rate (< 40Mbps) but bad latency (ping > 1/4 sec.)

Physical media: Electric signals

Twisted pair (TP) copper wire

- Least expensive / most deployed (telephone network)
- Transmission rate mainly depends on the cable length
- Category 6 cable can achieve 10Gbps for up to a hundred meters



Coaxial cable

- Common in cable television systems
- Shared medium
- Robust to electromagnetic interference



Physical media: others

Fiber optic cable

- Conducts pulse of light
- Immune to electromagnetic interference
- Low signal attenuation (> 100km)
- Good transmission rate (10 to 40Gbps)
- Expensive devices...



Radio

- Electromagnetic spectrum
- no physical "wire" / good for mobile devices
- Propagation issues: obstruction by objects, interference



The Network Core

End systems connect to Internet via **access ISPs**

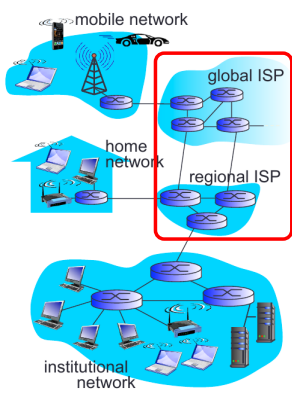
- Residential, company and university ISPs

Access ISPs in turn must be **interconnected**

- So that any two hosts can send packets to each other

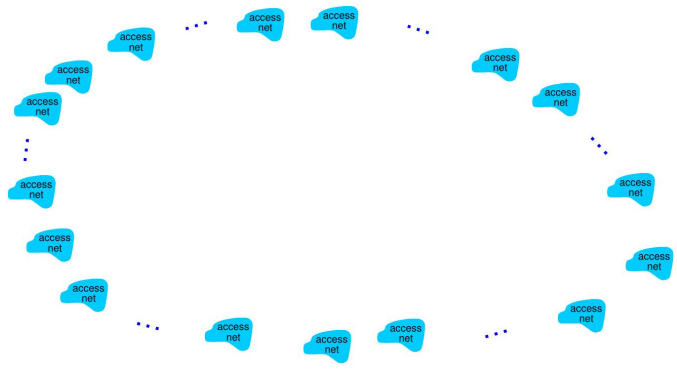
Resulting network of networks is very complex

- Evolution was driven by economics and national policies



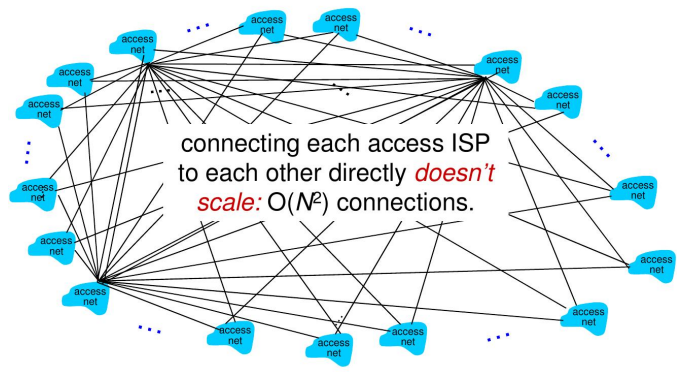
Internet structure: network of networks

Question:
Given thousands of access ISPs, how to connect them together?



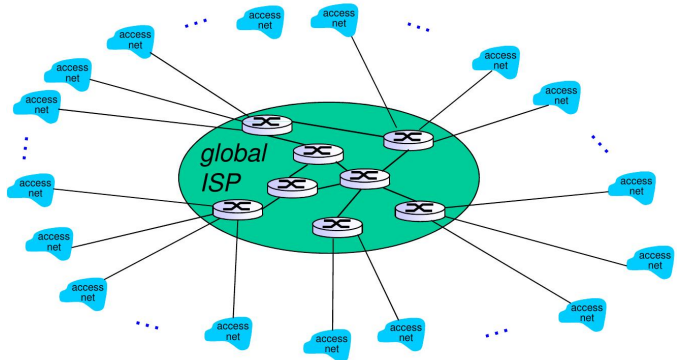
Internet structure: network of networks

Option 1:
Connect each access ISP to every other access ISP?



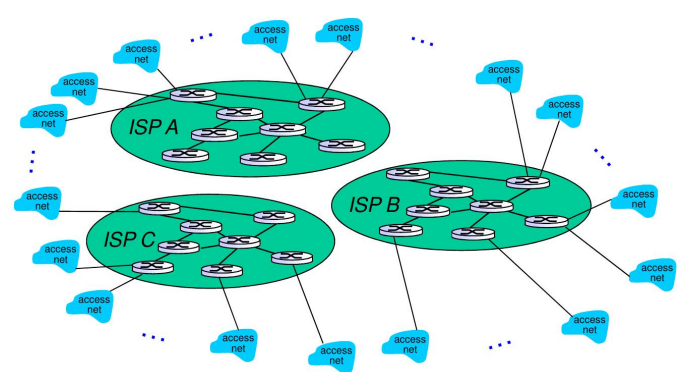
Internet structure: network of networks

Option 2:
Connect each access ISP to a global transit ISP? **Customer** and **provider** ISPs have economic agreement.



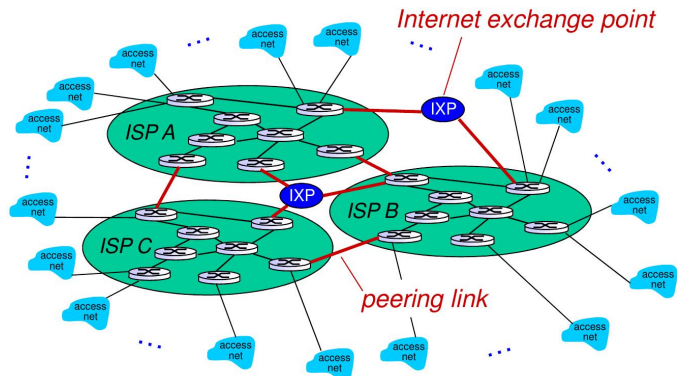
Internet structure: network of networks

But if one global ISP is viable business, there will be competitors ...



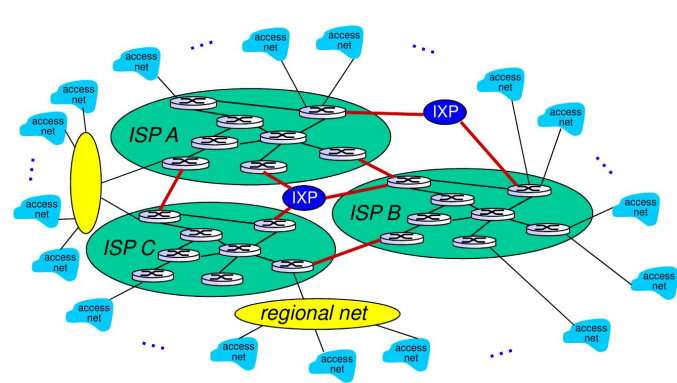
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But if one global ISP is viable business, there will be competitors ... which must be interconnected



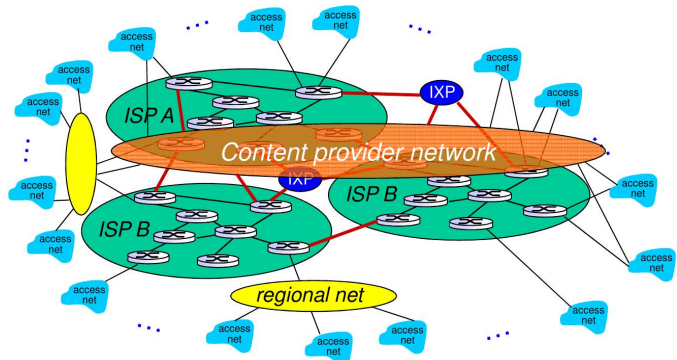
Internet structure: network of networks

... and regional networks may arise to connect access networks to ISPs

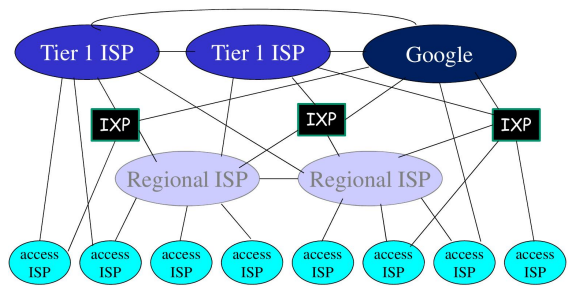


Internet structure: network of networks

... and content provider networks (e.g. Google, Microsoft, Akamai) may run their own network, to bring services, content close to end users



Internet structure: network of networks

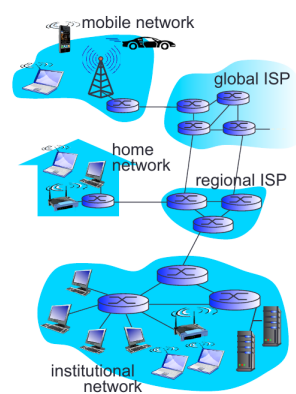


- At center:** small number of well-connected large networks
- "tier-1" commercial ISPs (e.g. Level 3, Sprint, AT&T, NTT) National and international coverage
 - Content provider network (e.g. Google): private network that connects data centers to Internet, often bypassing tier-1, regional ISPs

Packet Switching

Packet-switching

- Source Host: Split application messages in packets
- Router/packet switch: Forward packets from one router to the next, in order to reach the destination host (Packets are transmitted at full link capacity)
- Destination Host: Re-construct the application message



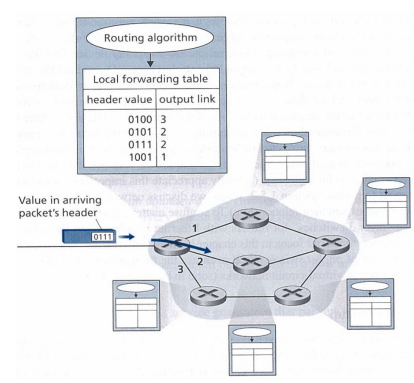
Packet-Switching: key functions

Routing algorithms

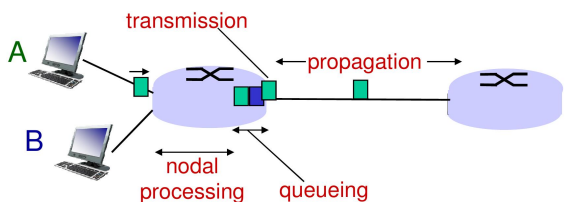
- Determines source-destination route taken by packets

Forwarding table

- Move packets from router's input to the appropriate router's output link



Packet-Switching: nodal delay

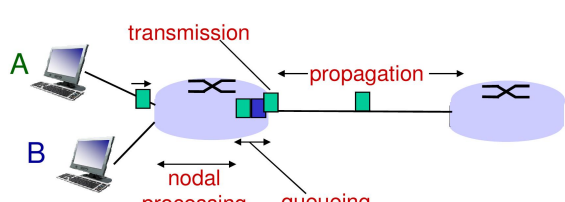


$$d_{\text{nodal}} = d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{queue}} + d_{\text{trans}} + d_{\text{prop}}$$

At each node along a path packets suffer from several delays

- Processing delay
- Queuing delay
- Transmission delay
- Propagation delay

Packet-Switching: nodal delay

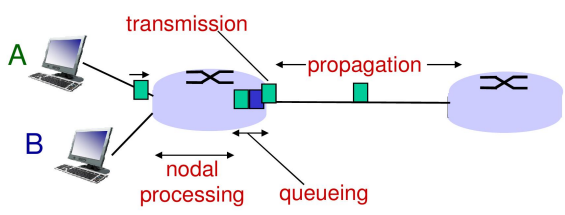


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Processing delay (d_{proc})

- Check bit error (meaningless to transmit corrupted packets)
- Examine the destination address and determine output link
- Typically on the order of μsec

Packet-Switching: nodal delay



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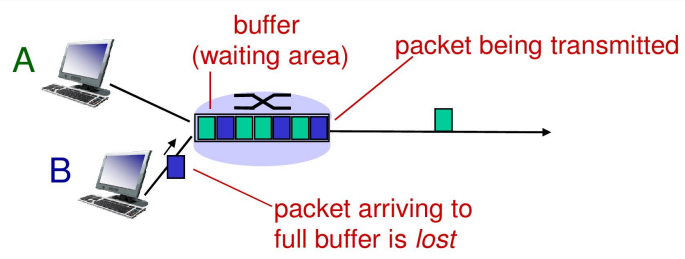
Queueing delay (d_{queue})

- Packet arrival rate (temporarily) exceeds output link capacity
- Packets queue, wait for turn
- Depends on congestion level of router
- Typically μsec to msec

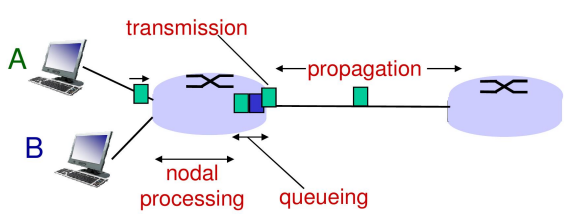
Packet-Switching: packet loss

When packet arrival rate exceeds output link capacity

- Packets queue, wait for turn
- But queue size is limited
- Packet arriving to full queue are dropped (aka lost)
- Lost packet may be retransmitted by previous node, by source end system, or not at all

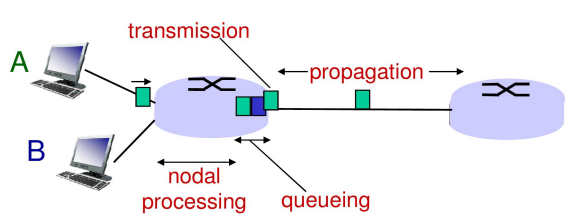


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Transmission delay (d_{trans})

- Time required to push all of the packet's bit into the link
- Takes $d_{\text{trans}} = L/R$ seconds to push L -bit packet into a link at R bps
- Proportional to the packet size not the distance between the nodes!
- Typically μsec to msec

Propagation delay (d_{prop})

- Time required to travel from the beginning to the end of the link
- $d_{\text{prop}} = d/s$: Proportional to d , length of the link, and s , wave propagation speed (2.8 to 3.8m/sec)
- Typically on the order of msec

Packet-Switching: end-to-end delay

Nodal delay

- From when last bit of packet arrives at this node to when last bit arrives at next node
- $d_{\text{nodal}} = d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{queue}} + d_{\text{trans}} + d_{\text{prop}}$

End-to-end delay over N identical nodes/links from client c to server s

- From when last bit of packet leaves client to when last bit arrives at server
- $d_{C-S} = d_{\text{prop}} + Nd_{\text{nodal}}$

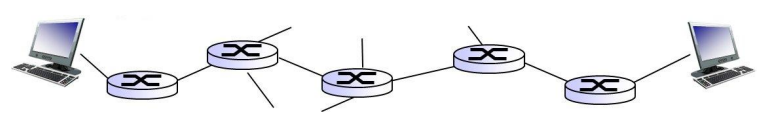
Round Trip Time (RTT)

- From when last bit of packet leaves client to when last bit arrives at server
- $RTT = d_{C-S} + d_{S-C} + t_{\text{server}}$ where t_{server} is server processing time

Packet-Switching: real Internet delay and route

Easy way to check what Internet delay & route look like?

- **traceroute** program: measures delays along an end-to-end path
- For each router i on the path:
 - Send three packets to the router i
 - Router i returns packets to the sender
 - Sender measures times interval between transmission and reply



Packet-Switching: real Internet delay and route

Traceroute

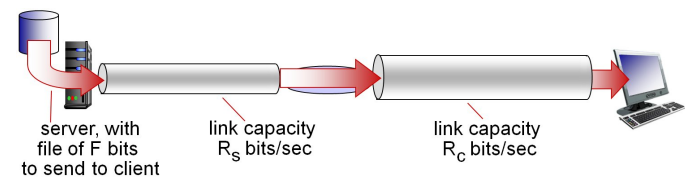
- Example from Tokyo to www.nytimes.com

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tracert to www.nytimes.com (170.149.168.130), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
 1 ve-222.juniper1.hongo.wide.ad.jp (203.178.135.1) 1.309 ms 1.335 ms 1.360 ms
 2 ve-130.foundry4.nezu.wide.ad.jp (203.178.136.185) 0.214 ms 0.240 ms 0.268 ms
 3 ve-42.foundry6.otemachi.wide.ad.jp (203.178.136.65) 0.347 ms 0.369 ms 0.390 ms
 4 ve-51.cisco2.notemachi.wide.ad.jp (203.178.141.142) 0.606 ms 0.663 ms 0.740 ms
 5 ge-8-2.a15.tokyjp01.jp.ra.gin.ntt.net (203.105.72.17) 0.872 ms 0.936 ms 0.971 ms
 6 ae-5.r24.tokyjp05.jp.bb.gin.ntt.net (203.105.72.153) 5.657 ms 5.487 ms ae-5.r25.toky
 7 ae-13.r20.tokyjp01.jp.bb.gin.ntt.net (129.250.6.191) 0.607 ms 0.575 ms ae-12.r20.toky
 8 ae-1.r20.sttlwa01.us.bb.gin.ntt.net (129.250.4.189) 98.351 ms 84.700 ms 93.908 ms
 9 ae-1.r05.sttlwa01.us.bb.gin.ntt.net (129.250.5.47) 90.392 ms 105.557 ms 90.339 ms
10 ae-0.level3.sttlwa01.us.bb.gin.ntt.net (129.250.8.74) 84.487 ms 98.076 ms 93.649 ms
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15 ae-2-2.ebr2.NewYork2.Level3.net (4.69.132.66) 166.730 ms 166.527 ms 181.364 ms
16 ae-1-100.ebr1.NewYork2.Level3.net (4.69.135.253) 181.125 ms 176.312 ms 173.774 ms
17 ae-4-4.ebr1.NewYork1.Level3.net (4.69.141.17) 207.655 ms 4.69.201.45 (4.69.201.45) 1
18 ae-2-2.ebr1.Newark1.Level3.net (4.69.132.98) 191.437 ms 179.563 ms 176.368 ms
19 ae-11-51.car1.Newark1.Level3.net (4.69.156.5) 177.557 ms 185.348 ms 189.754 ms
20 NEW-YORK-TT.car1.Newark1.Level3.net (4.30.129.234) 191.326 ms 190.797 ms 191.178 ms
21 170.149.168.130 (170.149.168.130) 169.056 ms 205.439 ms 218.156 ms
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Packet-Switching: Throughput

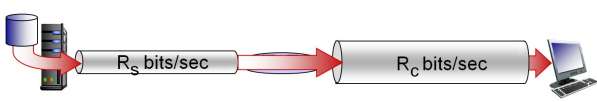
Throughput

- Rate (bits/time unit) at which bits are transferred between sender/receiver
- **Instantaneous**: rate at a given point in time
- **Average**: rate over longer period of time
- Analogy: pipe/volume/fluid

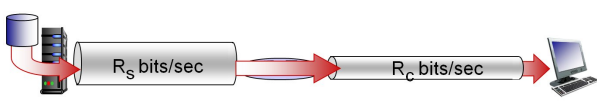


Packet-Switching: bottleneck

$R_s < R_c$ What is the average end-to-end throughput?



$R_s > R_c$ What is the average end-to-end throughput?

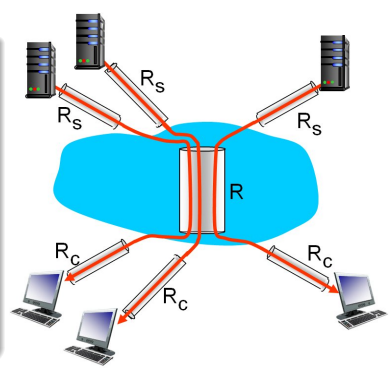


→ **Bottleneck link**: link on the path that constrains end-to-end throughput

Packet-Switching: Internet scenario

Shared infrastructure

- With 10 clients
- Throughput for each connection: $\min(R_c, R_s, R/10)$
- In practice: R_c is often bottleneck
- But bottleneck can be high throughput link shared by many



Packet Switching: Alternatives?

So far we've seen that packet switching has severe drawbacks:

- packet delay,
- packet loss,
- variable throughput...

What about other communication methods?

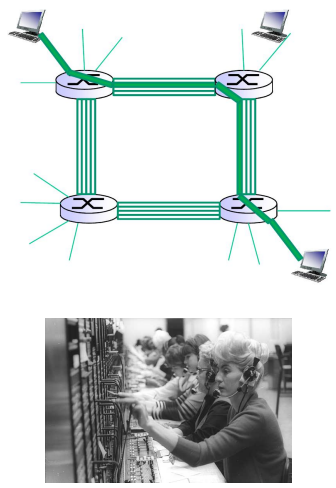
- Do we really need packets?
- Can't we avoid these delays
- and ensure a certain throughput?



Alternative to Packet Switching: Circuit Switching

Circuit Switching

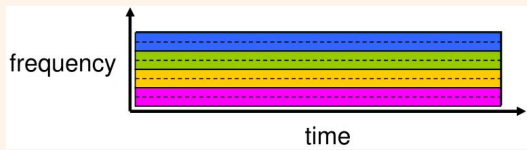
- Commonly used in traditional telephone network
- Call: Allocate resources between source & destination
- Guarantee circuit performance
- No sharing: Circuit segment idle if not used by call
- Limited number of users



Multiplexing in Circuit Switching

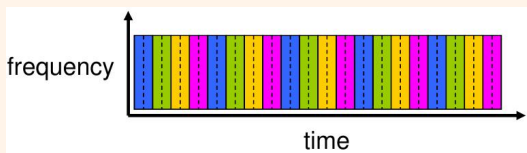
Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM)

Example with 4 users:



Time Division Multiplexing (TDM)

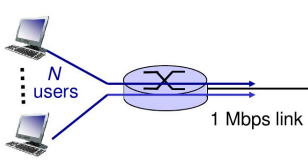
Example with 4 users:



Packet Switching vs. Circuit Switching

Example 1

- 1 Mbps link
- Each user:
 - 100 kbps when "active"
 - active 10% time



Circuit Switching

- $N = 1\text{Mbps}/100\text{kbps} = 10$ users

Packet Switching

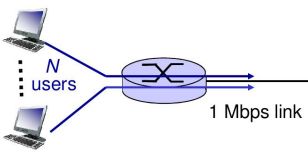
- Let say $N = 35$ users
- probability of > 10 active at the same time is less than .0004

→ Packet switching allows more users to share the network resources!

Packet Switching vs. Circuit Switching

Example 2

- 1 Mbps link
- 9 idle users
- 1 active user sends one thousands 1000-bit packets



Circuit Switching

- It takes 10 seconds for the active user to send all the packets

Packet Switching

- It takes 1 second for the active user to send all the packets

→ Packet switching takes full advantage of network resources!

Packet Switching vs. Circuit Switching

Is packet switching always better?

- ✓ Great for bursty data (Internet browsing \neq telephone call)
 - resource sharing
 - simpler, no call setup
- ✗ Excessive congestion possible: packet delay and loss
 - protocols needed for reliable data transfer, congestion control
- How to provide circuit-like behavior?
 - bandwidth guarantees needed for audio/video apps
 - still an unsolved problem!

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Two points of view:

- Internet Infrastructure
- Internet Services

Internet Services

Internet enables computers to exchange data in various ways

- different types of data: file transfer, video/audio calls, emails,...
- different properties: Secured connections, reliable data delivery,...

How does it work...??

- with such complex network?
- and congestion/packet loss?
- and untrustworthy intermediate networks? (and other problems you'll see in next lectures...)

→ The Internet protocol suite!

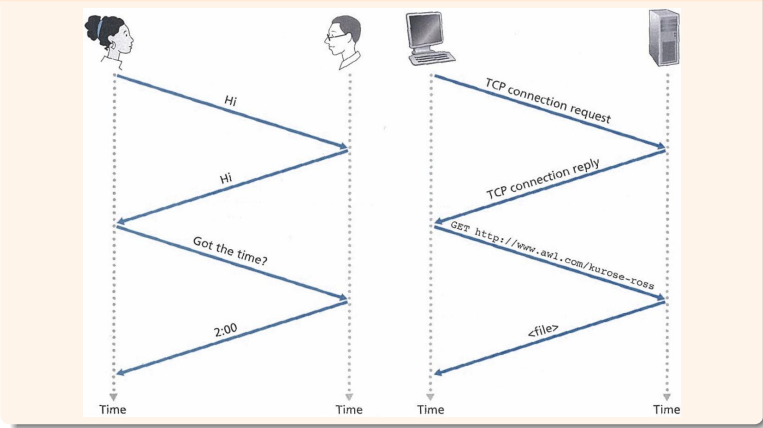
What is a protocol?

Protocol

- Set of rules governing the exchange or transmission of data between devices
- Define format, order of msgs sent and received between devices, and actions taken on msg transmission, receipt
- Internet protocol standards are defined by Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)

Example of protocol

Easier to understand with human analogy:



Internet Protocol suite

All communication activity in Internet is governed by protocols:

- You've probably seen many of them...
- ...but this is just the tip of the iceberg!

...since you use them everyday

- **World Wide Web: HTTP, HTTPS**
(Firefox, Chrome, Internet Explorer, ...)
- **Electronic mail: SMTP, IMAP, POP**
(Outlook, Thunderbird, Gmail, ...)
- **File transfer: FTP, SFTP, BitTorrent**
(μ Torrent, Firefox, Chrome, ...)
- **Messaging, voice and video calls: Skype, XMPP, SIP**
(Google talk, skype, ...)

Internet Protocol suite

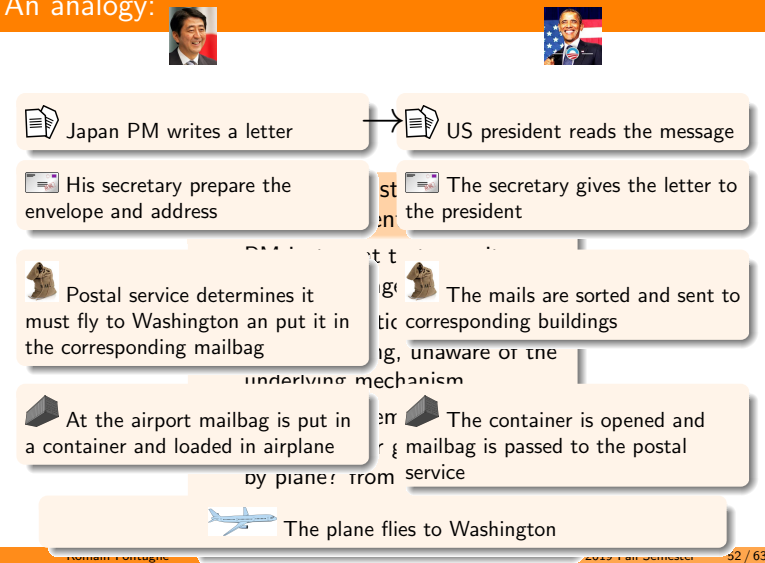
For example: A simple web request

• Involves more than 5 protocols

Each protocol

- completes a simple task
- it offers this service to applications/protocols
- uses services from other protocols

An analogy:



Layering

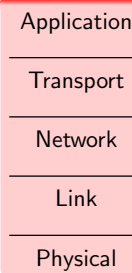
Divide complex systems in layers

- Each layer
 - implements a service
 - relies on services provided by layer below
- Modular design
 - change of implementation of layer's service transparent to rest of system
 - eases maintenance, updating of system

Layers description

- **Application**: supporting network applications (e.g. FTP, SMTP, HTTP)
- **Transport**: process-process data transfer (e.g. TCP, UDP)
- **Network**: routing of datagrams from source to destination (e.g. IP, routing protocols)
- **Link**: data transfer between neighboring network elements (e.g. Ethernet, 802.11 (WiFi), PPP)
- **Physical**: bits “on the wire”

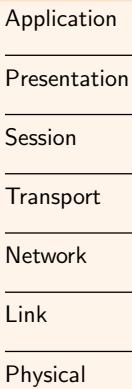
IP Stack



Two more layers

- **Presentation**: allow applications to interpret meaning of data, e.g., machine-specific conventions, encryption, compression
- **Session**: synchronization, checkpointing, recovery of data exchange
- Internet stack “missing” these layers! If needed these services must be implemented in application

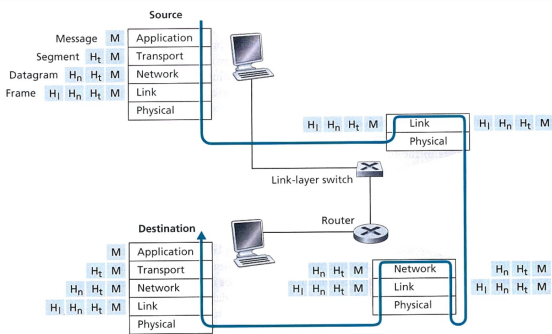
OSI model



Encapsulation

Encapsulation at each layer: packet = header + payload

- Letter analogy: letter \rightleftharpoons envelope \rightleftharpoons mailbag \rightleftharpoons container
- The data is encapsulated accordingly and unpacked only as far as necessary by nodes passed



Internet History

1961-1972: Early packet-switching principles

- 1961: Kleinrock - queueing theory shows effectiveness of packet-switching
- 1964: Baran - packet-switching in military nets
- 1967: ARPANet conceived by Advanced Research Projects Agency
- 1969: first ARPANet node operational and four nodes network
- 1972:
 - ARPANet public demo
 - NCP (Network Control Protocol) first host-host protocol
 - first e-mail program
 - ARPANet has 15 nodes

Internet History

1972-1980: Internetworking, new and proprietary nets

- 1970: ALOHAnet satellite network in Hawaii
- 1974: Cerf and Kahn - architecture for interconnecting networks
- 1976: Ethernet at Xerox PARC
- late 70's: switching fixed length packets (ATM precursor)
- 1979: ARPANet has 200 nodes

Cerf and Kahn's internetworking principles:

- minimalism, autonomy - no internal changes required to interconnect networks
- best effort service model
- stateless routers
- decentralized control
- \rightarrow define today's Internet architecture

Internet History

1980-1990: new protocols, a proliferation of networks

- 1983: deployment of TCP/IP
- 1982: smtp e-mail protocol defined
- 1983: DNS defined for name-to-IP-address translation
- 1985: ftp protocol defined
- 1988: TCP congestion control
- new national networks: Cset, BITnet, NSFnet, Minitel
- 100,000 hosts connected to confederation of networks

1990, 2000's: commercialization, the Web, new apps

- early 1990's: ARPAnet decommissioned
- 1991: NSF lifts restrictions on commercial use of NSFnet (decommissioned, 1995)
- early 1990s: Web
 - hypertext [Bush 1945, Nelson 1960's]
 - HTML, HTTP: Berners-Lee
 - 1994: Mosaic, later Netscape
 - late 1990's: commercialization of the Web
- late 1990's - 2000's:
 - more killer apps: instant messaging, P2P file sharing
 - network security to forefront
 - est. 50 million host, 100 million+ users
 - backbone links running at Gbps

2005-present

- Aggressive deployment of broadband access
- Increasing ubiquity of high-speed wireless access
- 2011: Number of wireless devices outnumbered the number of wired devices
- Emergence of online social networks: (Facebook: soon one billion users)
- Service providers (Google, Microsoft) create their own networks
 - Bypass Internet, providing "instantaneous" access to search, email, etc.
- E-commerce, universities, enterprises running their services in "cloud" (eg, Amazon EC2)

Today's lecture covered a "ton" of material!

- Internet overview
- network edge
- network core
- packet-switching
- performance: loss, delay, throughput
- protocol
- layering, service models
- history

In next lecture

Link layer: data transfer between neighboring network elements (e.g. Ethernet, 802.11 (WiFi), PPP)

IP Stack

Application

Transport

Network

Link

Physical

Today's important points

- Physical medias (optic fibre, wireless, copper wire,...)
- Nodal delay
- Throughput
- Protocol / Layering