Networking

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Introduction

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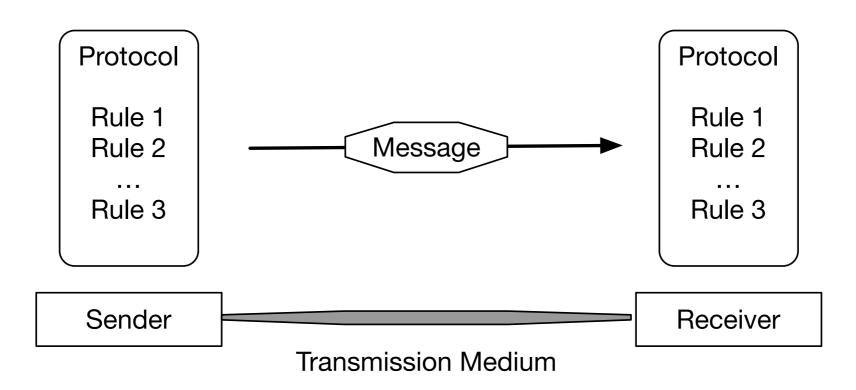
Data Communication

- Exchange of information between two entities
 - Properties
 - Delivery
 - Accuracy
 - Timeliness
 - Jitter

Data Communications Components

- A message has a sender and a receiver
- It uses a transmission medium
- The transmission follows several protocols

Data Communication Components



- Message
- Sender
- Receiver

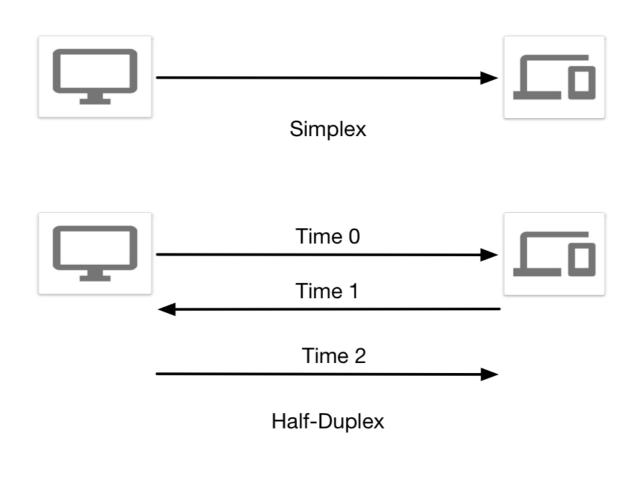
- Transmission Medium
- Protocol: A set of rules

Data Representation

- Information comes in different forms
- Various formats for digital data
 - Text: Unicode, ASCII, Latin-1, utf-8
 - Numbers: base 1, base 2, IEEE floating point format
 - Images:
 - Resolution determines number of pixels
 - Each pixel contains various scales (e.g. 3×8 b for color)
 - Audio
 - Video

Data Flow Types

- Simplex mode:
 - Communication is one-directional
- Half-duplex:
 - Communication is one-directional for a time, then goes in the other direction
- Full-duplex:
 - Communication is bidirectional



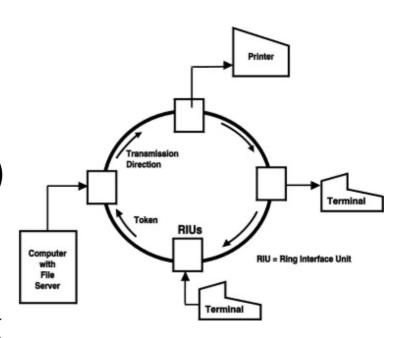


Networks

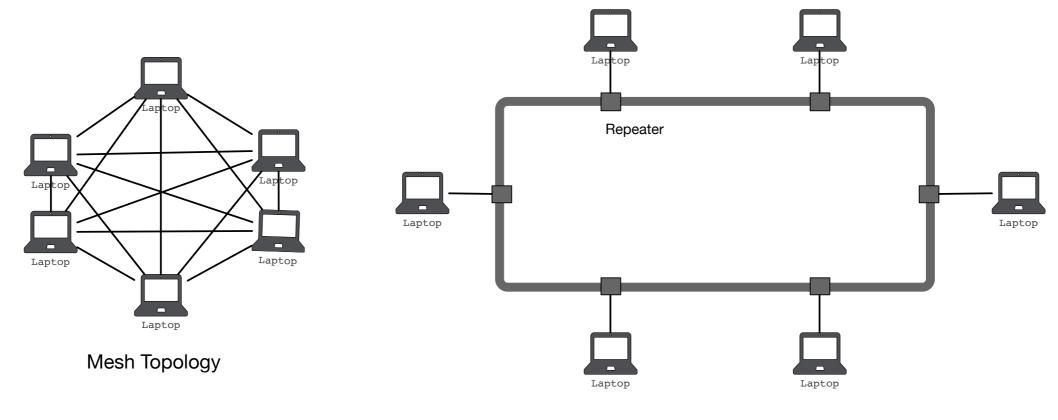
- Interconnection of a set of devices capable of communication
 - Hosts (end-points) vs. Connecting Devices (e.g. routers)
- Criteria
 - Performance
 - Throughput
 - Delay
 - Reliability
 - Security

Physical Structures

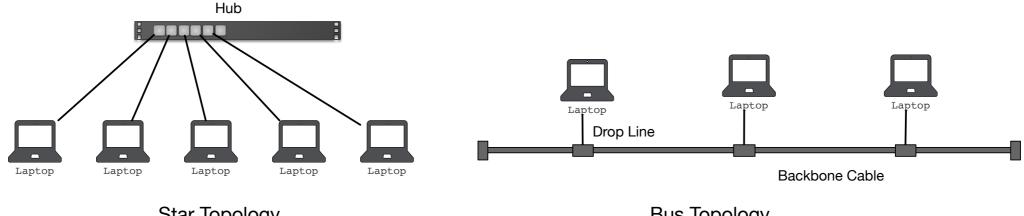
- Point-to-point links
 - Dedicated link between two devices
- Multi-point links:
 - More than two devices share a link
 - E.g. Token Rings (IBM / IEEE 802.5)
- Physical Topology
 - Two or more devices connect to a link
 - Two or more links form a topology



Simple Network Topologies



Ring Topology

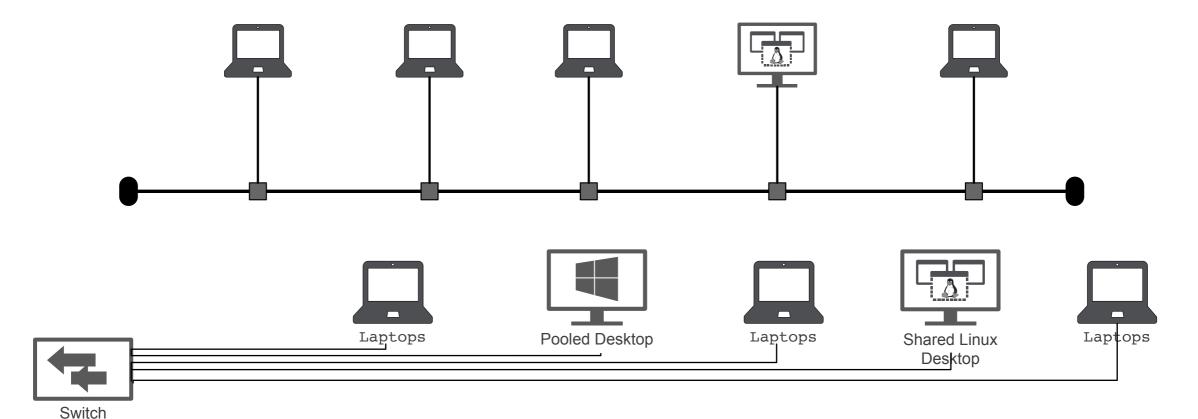


Star Topology

Bus Topology

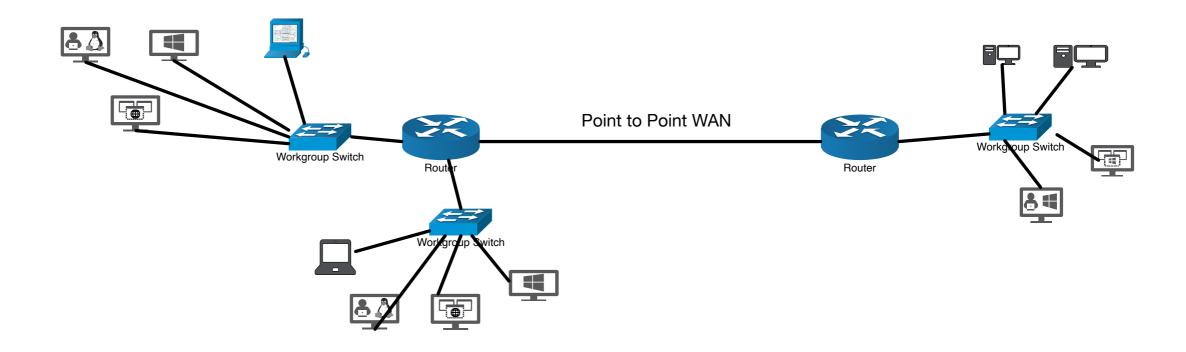
- Networks are limited by
 - throughput
 - delay (i.e. distance)
 - Local Area Networks
 - Wide Area Networks
 - Internets

- LAN: Local Area Network
 - bus
 - switched



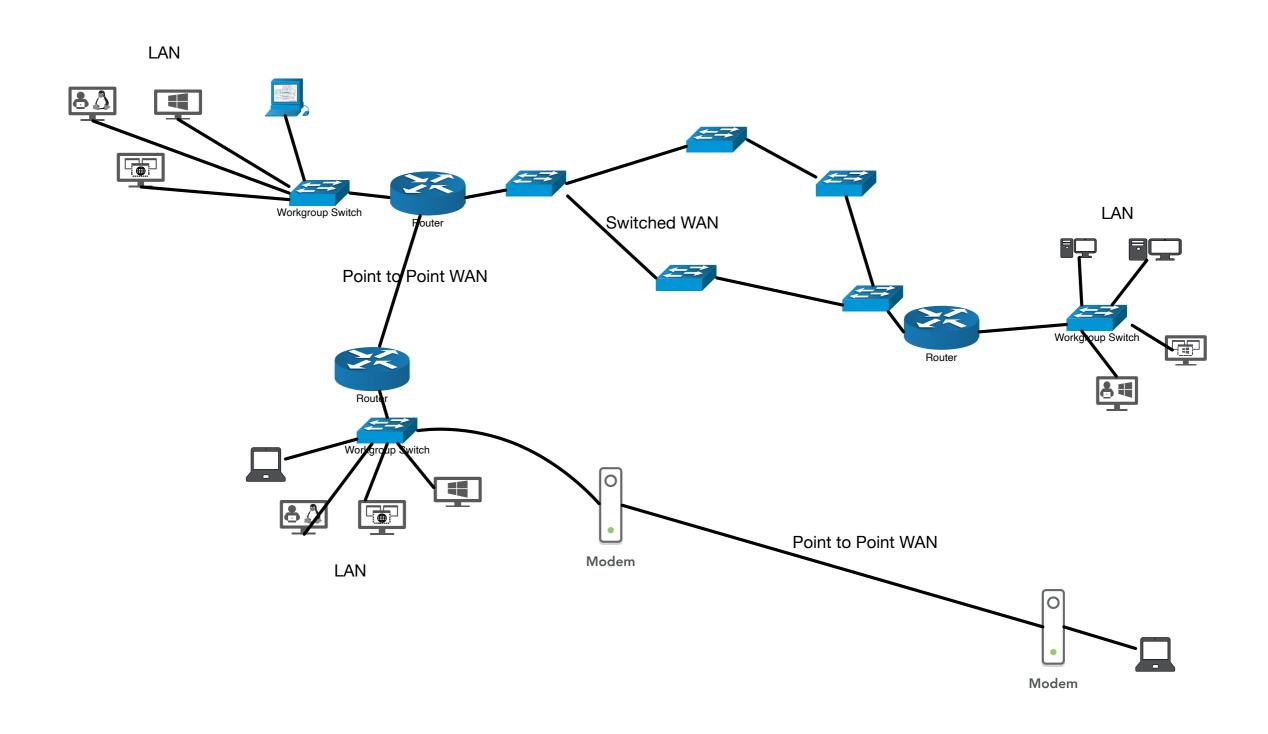
- WAN: Wide Area Network
 - Point-to-point (two ends)
 - Switched WAN (used as backbone for Internet)

- Internets (with a small i) aka. internetworks
 - Connects several LANs or WANs
 - Circuit switched
 - Packet switched



- Data communication
 - Data are bursty
 - No causality
 - More bandwidth = faster transmission
 - Data loss very bad
- Circuits
 - Data are streamed
 - Signals are causal
 - Signal has finite bandwidth
 - Some signal loss tolerable

Heterogeneous Network



Switching

- Switched networks (e.g. internet)
 - Switch forwards data from one network to another
 - Circuit switched networks
 - Dedicated network (circuit) is always available between two systems
 - Packet switched networks
 - Instead of continuous connections
 - Use blocks of data: packet

Internet

- Internet (capital I)
 - Consists of thousands of interconnected networks
 - Has several backbones
 - Owned by Sprint, Verizon, ATT, NTT, ...
 - Connected via peering points
 - Has a larger number of *provider networks*
 - which use the backbones for a fee
 - connected to several backbones and possible other provider networks
 - Customer networks use the services of these Internet Service
 Providers

Internet Standards

- Internet draft: Working document with no status and 6 month expiration date
- Request for Comment is next stage:
 - Proposed Standard
 - Draft Standard (needs at least two interoperable implementations)
 - Internet Standard: adhered by all
 - Historic: never passed or superseded
 - Experimental
 - Informational

Internet Standards

- RFC:
 - Required (must be implemented) e.g. TCP, IP
 - Recommended e.g. FTP, TELNET
 - Elective
 - Limited Use
 - Not recommended (only for historic RFC)

Internet Administration

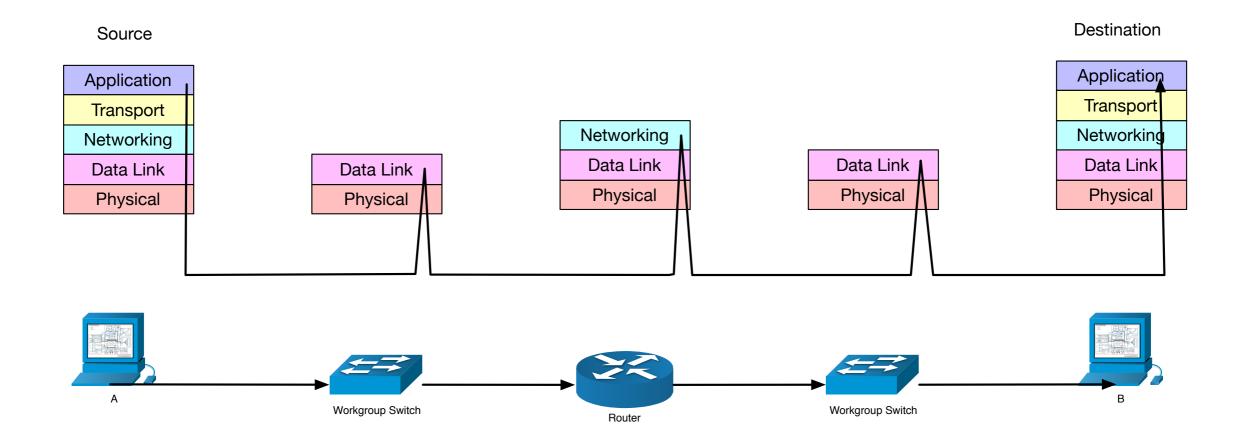
- ISOC: Internet Society
 - formed 1992 to provide support for Internet standard process
- IAB: Internet Architecture Board
 - technical advisor to ISOC using
 - IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force
 - IERF Internet Research Task Force
 - Manages RFCs
 - External Liaison to other standards organizations

Protocol Layering

- Layering was invented to deal with complexity of software development
 - THE Operating System
- In Networking there are additional motivations
 - Plethora of underlying technologies and needs
 - Networking devices often do not need full functionality

- Principles of protocol layering for networking
 - 1. Bidirectional communication implies that each layer needs to perform two opposite task, one in each direction
 - Listen
 - Talk
 - 2. Objects exchanged under each layer need to be identical

- TCP/IP stack
 - Application layer
 - Transport layer
 - Network layer
 - Physical layer



Application

Transport

Networking

Data Link

Physical

Messages

Segments / User datagrams

Datagrams

Frames

Bits

Physical Layer

- Carries individual bits in a frame across a link
 - Devices are connected by a transmission medium
 - Media have different characteristics
 - Bits are transformed into a signal

Data Link Layer

- Takes datagram and moves it as a frame across the link
- Different link layer protocols may provide different services
 - Error detection
 - Error correction

Network Layer

- Responsible for creating a connection between source and destination (end-to-end connection)
- IP Internet Protocol
 - Connectionless
 - no flow control
 - no error control
 - no congestion control
- Auxiliary protocols: Internet Control Message Protocol, Internet Group Management Protocol, Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol, Address Resolution Protocol

Transport Layer

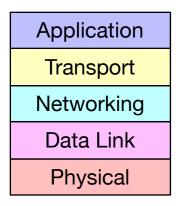
- Transmission Control Protocol
 - Provides flow control, error control, congestion control
- User Datagram Protocol
 - Connectionless without flow, error, and congestion control
- Stream Control Transmission Protocol
 - Designed for multimedia

Application Layer

- Two applications exchange messages
 - HTTP between browser and web-server
 - FTP
 - Telnet
 - SSH
 - SNMP
 - DNS
 - IGMP

Encapsulation

 Each layer adds a header (which could also be a tail or both) to a message



| | | | | Application message |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------|------------|---------------------|
| | | | TCP header | Application message |
| | | IP header | TCP header | Application message |
| | Data link header | IP header | TCP header | Application message |
| Physical Encoding | | | | |

For receiving, each layer strips its header

OSI Model

- Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) Model
 - After TCP/IP model (late 70s)
 - Established by International Organization of Standardization (ISO)
 - Came to late to change TCP/IP stack
 - Never defined some layers completely

OSI vs TCP/IP

TCP/IP

Application

Transport

Networking

Data Link

Physical

OSI

Application

Presentation

Session

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