CSE 3214: Computer Network Protocols and Applications

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These slides are adapted from Jim Kurose's slides.

Administrivia

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Lectures: Tue-Thu 10:00-11:30 pm (PSE 321)

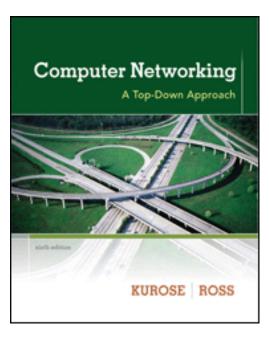
Exams: midterm (30%), final (40%)

Homework (30%): Assignments.

Slides: should be available the morning of the class

Office hours: Tuesday, Thu: 12:30-2:30 pm or by appointment at LAS 3043

Textbook:



Computer Networking: A Top Down Approach Featuring the Internet, 6th edition. Jim Kurose, Keith Ross; Pearson.

Administrivia - contd.

- Cheating will not be tolerated. Visit the webpage for more details on policies etc.
- Be careful not to misuse packet sniffing software.
- I would like to have a 2-hour midterm. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.
- TA: F. Yasmeen

Course objectives

- Understand the full TCP/IP architecture.
- Become familiar with "advanced topics"
 - P2P systems, multimedia communication (including VoIP), network security, wireless sensor networks.
- Learn about active research areas.

Major differences with 3213

- Top-down approach.
- More algorithmic (less math!)
- More hands-on TCP/IP programming.

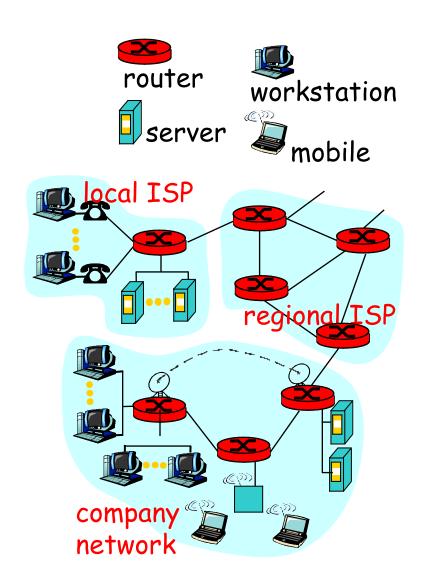
Chapter 1: Introduction

What *is* the Internet?

- Network of networks
- Heterogeneous
- Distributed
- Owned by many different entities
- Allows easy additions and removal from the network

The Internet: "nuts and bolts" view

- millions of connected computing devices: hosts
 = end systems
- running network apps
- communication links
 - fiber, copper, radio, satellite
 - transmission rate = bandwidth
- routers: forward packets (chunks of data)



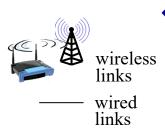
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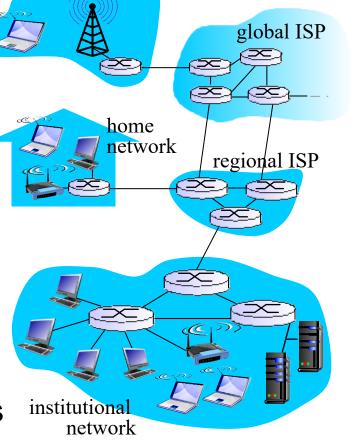
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Packet switches: forward packets (chunks of data)

routers and switches



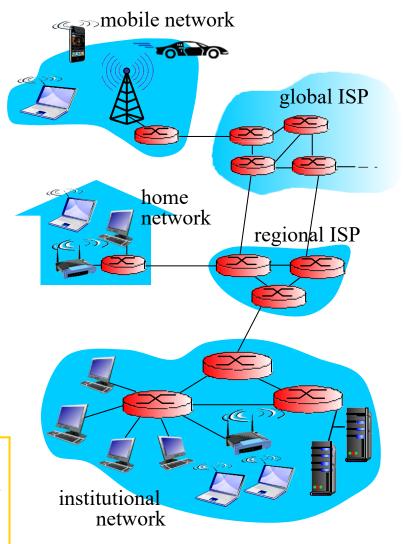
mobile network

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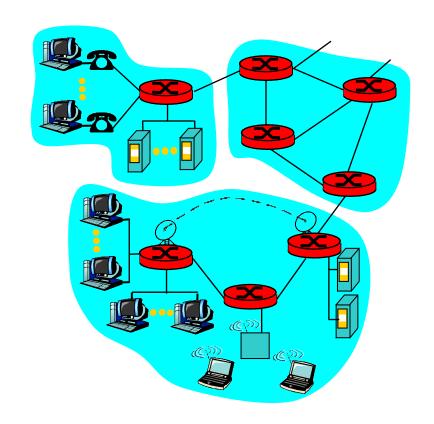
- protocols control sending, receiving of msgs
 - e.g., TCP, IP, HTTP, FTP, PPP
- Internet: "network of networks"
 - loosely hierarchical
 - public Internet versus private intranet
- Internet standards
 - RFC: Request for comments
 - IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force

protocols define format, order of msgs sent and received among network entities, and actions taken on msg transmission, receipt



The Internet: a service view

- communication *infrastructure* enables distributed applications:
 - Web, email, games, ecommerce, file sharing
- communication services provided to apps:
 - Connectionless unreliable
 - Connection-oriented reliable



What's a protocol?

human protocols:

- "what's the time?"
- "I have a question"
- introductions
- ... specific msgs sent
- ... specific actions taken when msgs received, or other events

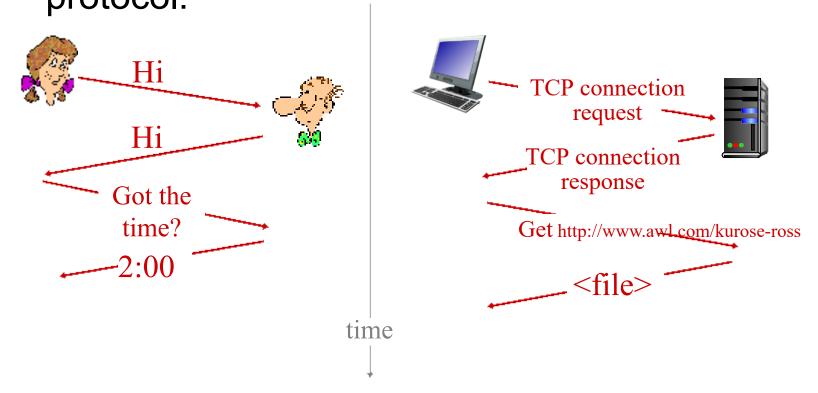
network protocols:

- machines rather than humans
- all communication activity in Internet governed by protocols

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What's a protocol?

a human protocol and a computer network protocol:



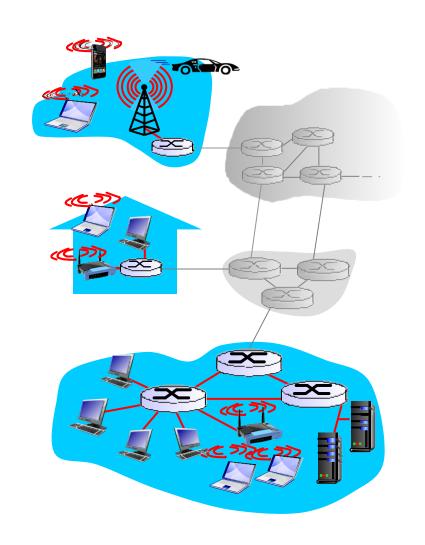
Access networks and physical media

Q: How to connect end systems to edge router?

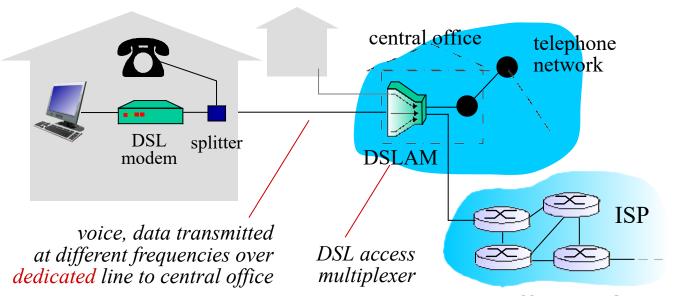
- residential access nets
- institutional access networks (school, company)
- mobile access networks

keep in mind:

- bandwidth (bits per second) of access network?
- shared or dedicated?



Access net: digital subscriber line (DSL)

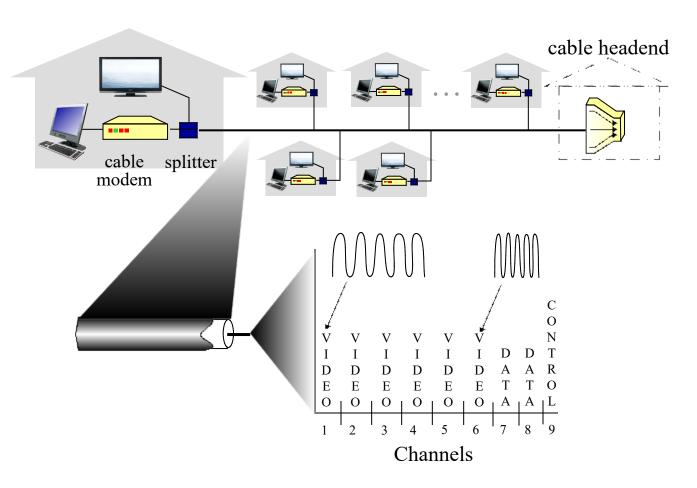


use existing telephone line to central office DSLAM

- over DSL phone line goes to Internet
- voice over DSL phone line goes to telephone net
- < 2.5 Mbps upstream transmission rate (typically < 1 Mbps)</p>
- < 24 Mbps downstream transmission rate (typically < 10 Mbps)

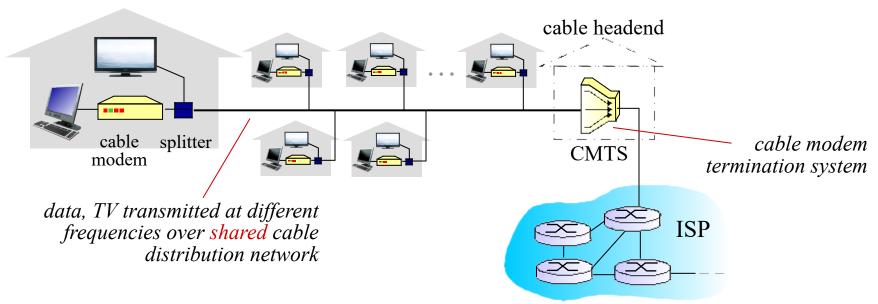
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Access net: cable network



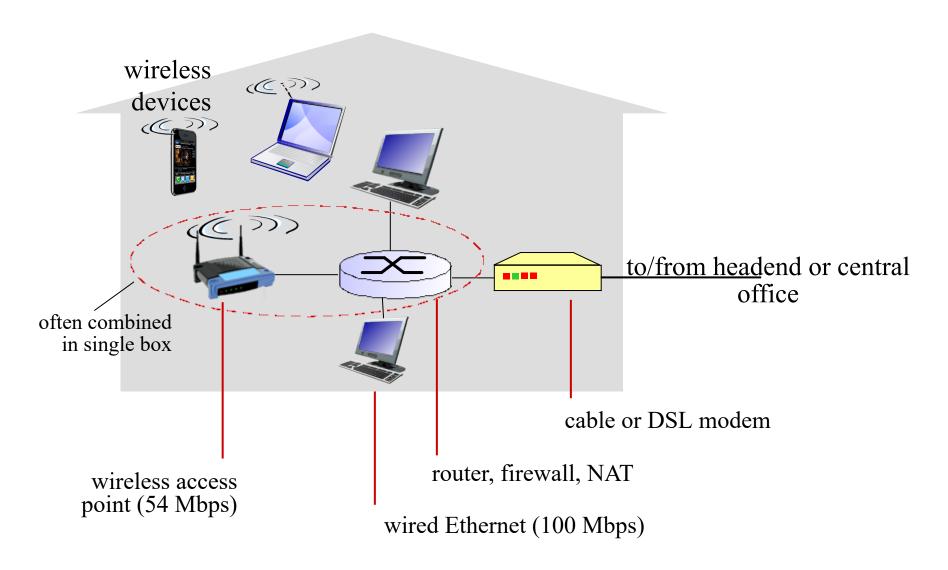
frequency division multiplexing: different channels transmitted in different frequency bands

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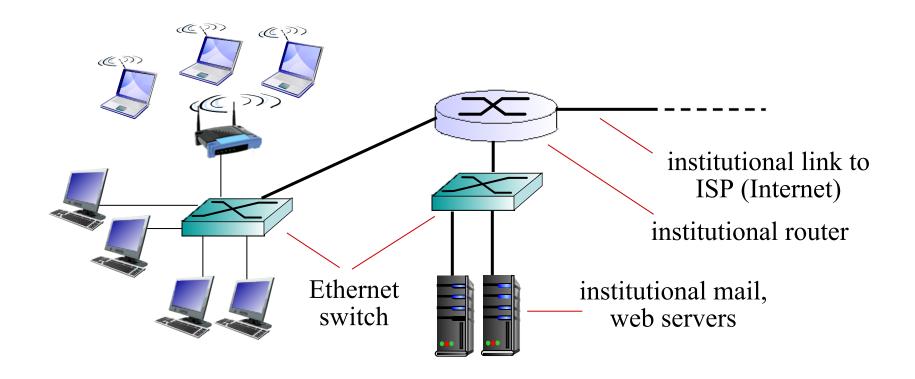


- HFC: hybrid fiber coax
 - asymmetric: up to 30Mbps downstream transmission rate, 2 Mbps upstream transmission rate
- network of cable, fiber attaches homes to ISP router
 - homes share access network to cable headend
 - unlike DSL: DSL has dedicated access to central office

Access net: home network



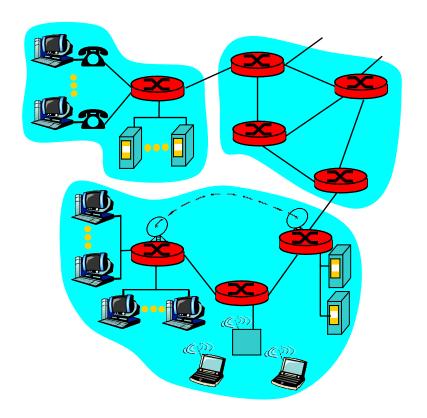
Enterprise access networks (Ethernet)



- typically used in companies, universities, etc
- 10 Mbps, 100Mbps, 1Gbps, 10Gbps transmission rates
- today, end systems typically connect into Ethernet switch

A closer look at network structure

- network edge: applications and hosts
- network core:
 - interconnected routers
 - network of networks
- access networks, physical media: wired, wireless communication links



Wireless access networks

- shared wireless access network connects end system to router
 - via base station aka "access point"

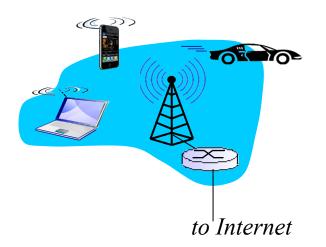
wireless LANs:

- within building (100 ft)
- 802.11b/g (WiFi): 11, 54
 Mbps transmission rate



wide-area wireless access

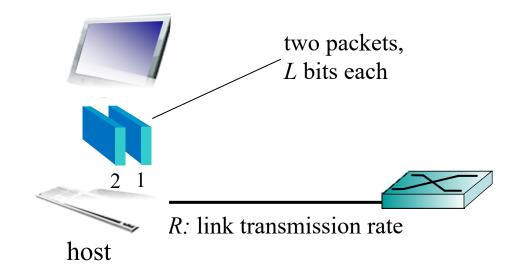
- provided by telco (cellular) operator, 10's km
- between 1 and 10 Mbps
- 3G, 4G: LTE



Host: sends packets of data

host sending function:

- takes application message
- *breaks into smaller
 chunks, known as
 packets, of length L bits
- *transmits packet into access network at transmission rate R
 - link transmission rate, aka link capacity, aka link bandwidth



$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{packet} & \text{time needed to} \\
\text{transmission} & \text{transmit } L\text{-bit} \\
\text{delay} & \text{packet into link}
\end{array} = \frac{L \text{ (bits)}}{R \text{ (bits/sec)}}$$

Physical media

- bit: propagates between transmitter/receiver pairs
- physical link: what lies between transmitter & receiver
- guided media:
 - signals propagate in solid media: copper, fiber, coax
- unguided media:
 - signals propagate freely, e.g., radio

twisted pair (TP)

- two insulated copper wires
 - Category 5: 100 Mbps, 1
 Gpbs Ethernet
 - Category 6: 10Gbps



Physical media: coax, fiber

coaxial cable:

- two concentric copper conductors
- bidirectional
- broadband:
 - multiple channels on cable



fiber optic cable:

- glass fiber carrying light pulses, each pulse a bit
- high-speed operation:
 - high-speed point-to-point transmission (e.g., 10's-100's Gpbs transmission rate)
- low error rate:
 - repeaters spaced far apart
 - immune to electromagnetic noise



Physical media: radio

- signal carried in electromagnetic spectrum
- no physical "wire"
- bidirectional
- propagation environment effects:
 - reflection
 - obstruction by objects
 - interference

radio link types:

- terrestrial microwave
 - e.g. up to 45 Mbps channels
- LAN (e.g., WiFi)
 - 11Mbps, 54 Mbps
- wide-area (e.g., cellular)
 - 3G cellular: ~ few Mbps
- satellite
 - Kbps to 45Mbps channel (or multiple smaller channels)
 - 270 msec end-end delay
 - geosynchronous versus low altitude

The network edge

end systems (hosts):

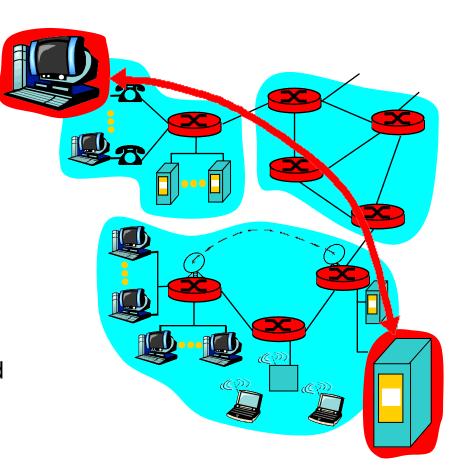
- run application programs
- e.g. Web, email
- at "edge of network"

client/server model

- client host requests, receives service from always-on server
- e.g. Web browser/server; email client/server

peer-peer model:

- minimal (or no) use of dedicated servers
- e.g. Gnutella, KaZaA



Network edge: connection-oriented service

Goal: data transfer between end systems

- handshaking: setup (prepare for) data transfer ahead of time
 - Hello, hello back human protocol
 - set up "state" in two communicating hosts
- TCP Transmission Control Protocol
 - Internet's connectionoriented service

TCP service [RFC 793]

- reliable, in-order bytestream data transfer
 - loss: acknowledgements and retransmissions
- flow control:
 - sender won't overwhelm receiver
- congestion control:
 - senders "slow down sending rate" when network congested

Connection-oriented service not the

same as that in traditional telephony.

Network edge: connectionless service

Goal: data transfer between end systems

- same as before!
- UDP User Datagram Protocol [RFC 768]:
 - connectionless
 - unreliable data transfer
 - no flow control
 - no congestion control

App's using TCP:

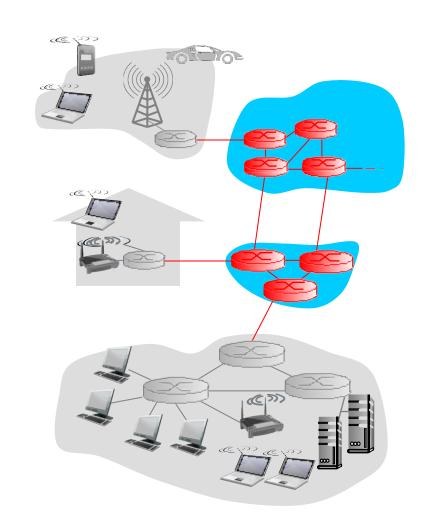
 HTTP (Web), FTP (file transfer), Telnet (remote login), SMTP (email)

App's using UDP:

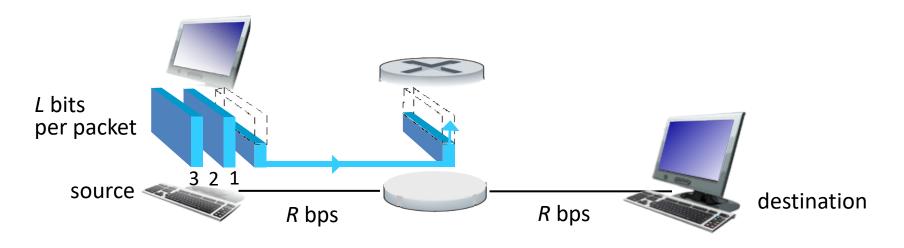
 streaming media, teleconferencing, DNS, Internet telephony

The network core

- mesh of interconnected routers
- packet-switching: hosts break application-layer messages into packets
 - forward packets from one router to the next, across links on path from source to destination
 - each packet transmitted at full link capacity



Packet-switching: store-and-forward



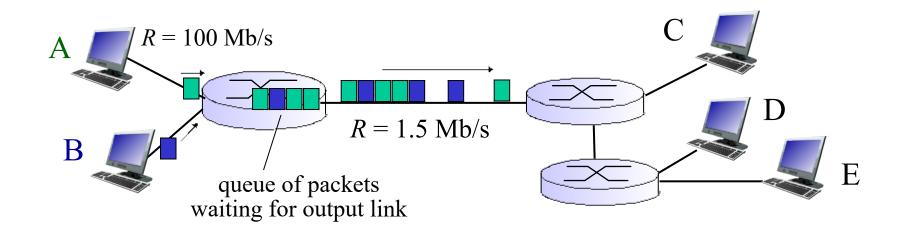
- takes L/R seconds to transmit (push out) L-bit packet into link at R bps
- store and forward: entire packet must arrive at router before it can be transmitted on next link
- end-end delay = 2L/R (assuming zero propagation delay)

one-hop numerical example:

- L = 7.5 Mbits
- R = 1.5 Mbps
- one-hop transmission delay = 5 sec

more on delay shortly ...

Packet Switching: queueing delay, loss



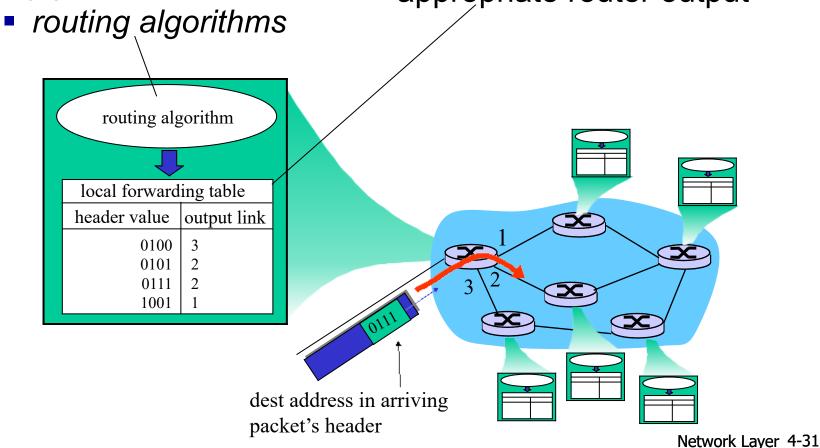
queuing and loss:

- If arrival rate (in bits) to link exceeds transmission rate of link for a period of time:
 - packets will queue, wait to be transmitted on link
 - packets can be dropped (lost) if memory (buffer) fills up

Two key network-core functions

routing: determines sourcedestination route taken by packets

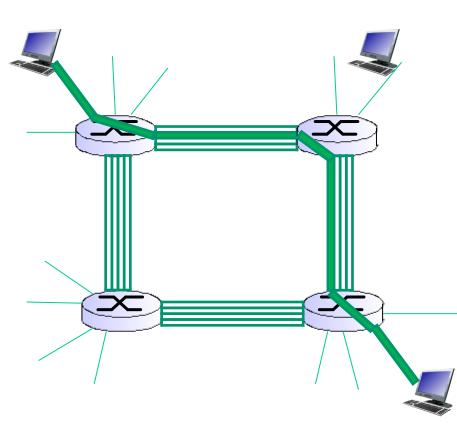
rmines source- *forwarding:* move packets ute taken by from router's input to appropriate router output



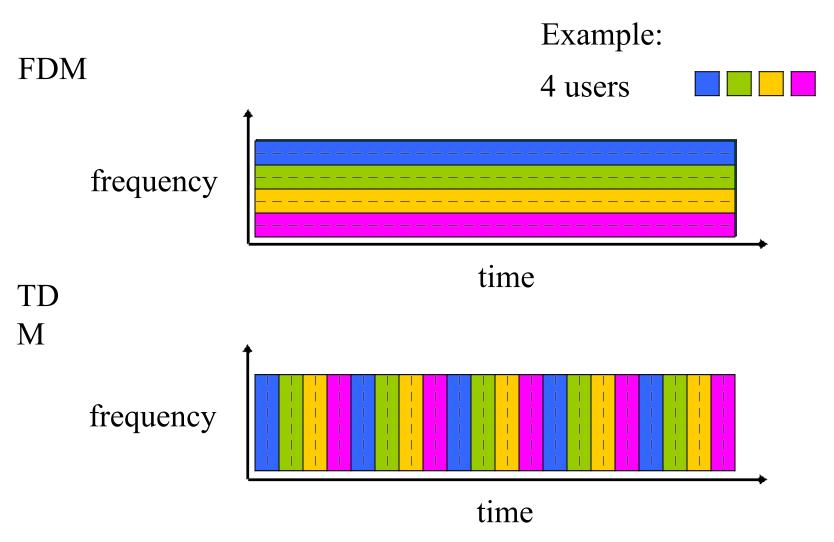
Alternative core: circuit switching

end-end resources allocated to, reserved for "call" between source & dest:

- In diagram, each link has four circuits.
 - call gets 2nd circuit in top link and 1st circuit in right link.
- dedicated resources: no sharing
 - circuit-like (guaranteed) performance
- circuit segment idle if not used by call (no sharing)
- Commonly used in traditional telephone networks



Circuit switching: FDM versus TDM

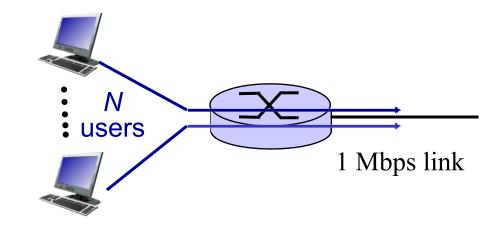


Packet switching versus circuit switching

packet switching allows more users to use network!

example:

- 1 Mb/s link
- each user:
 - Φ 100 kb/s when "active"
 - p active 10% of time



circuit-switching:

10 users

* packet switching:

 with 35 users, probability > 10 active at same time is less than .0004 * Q: how did we get value 0.0004? Q: what happens if > 35 users?

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^{*} Check out the online interactive exercises for more examples

Packet switching vs circuit switching

is packet switching a "slam dunk winner?"

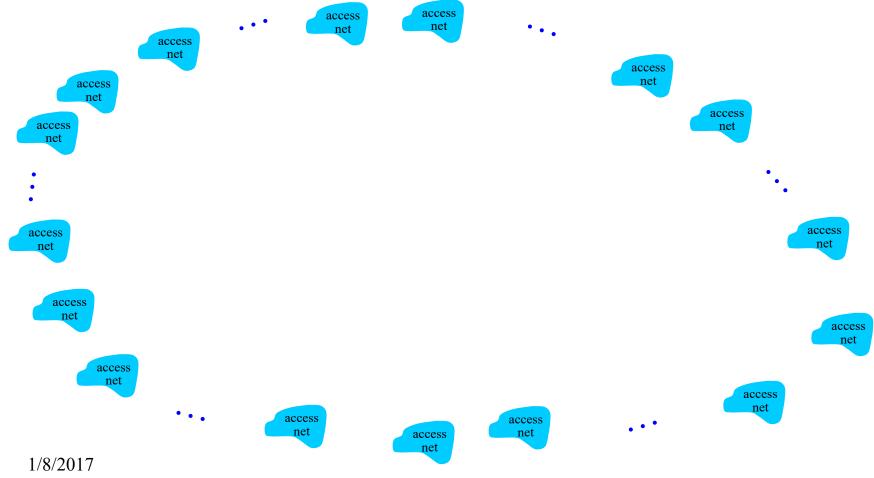
- great for bursty data
 - resource sharing
 - simpler, no call setup
- excessive congestion possible: packet delay and loss
 - protocols needed for reliable data transfer, congestion control
- Q: How to provide circuit-like behavior?
 - bandwidth guarantees needed for audio/video apps
 - still an unsolved problem (chapter 7)

Q: human analogies of reserved resources (circuit switching) versus on-demand allocation (packet-switching)?

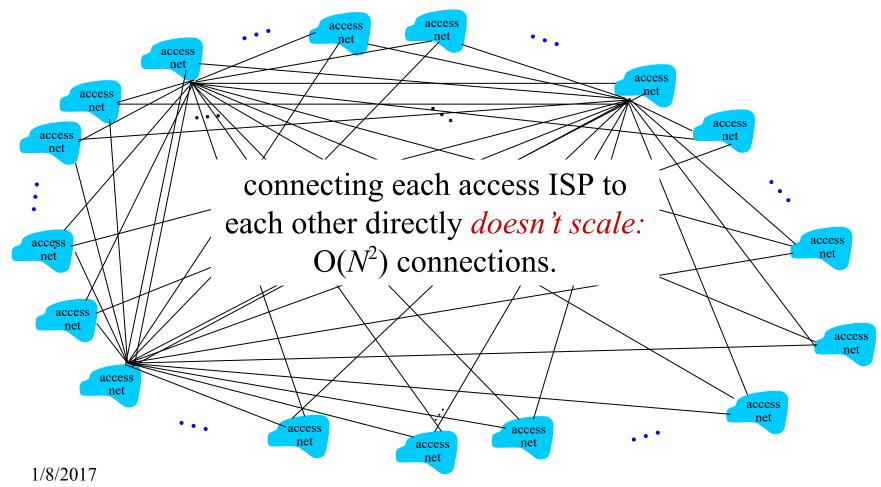
Internet structure: network of networks

- End systems connect to Internet via access ISPs (Internet Service Providers)
 - 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
- Let's take a stepwise approach to describe current Internet structure

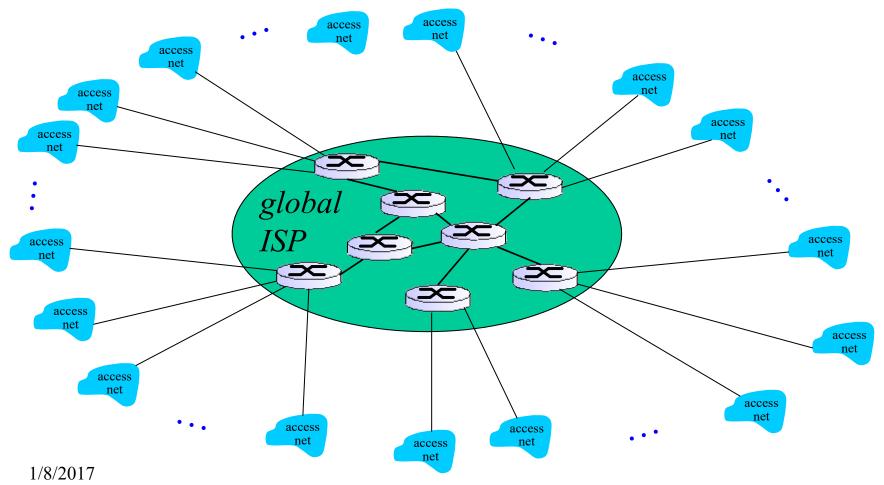
Question: given millions of access ISPs, how to connect them together?



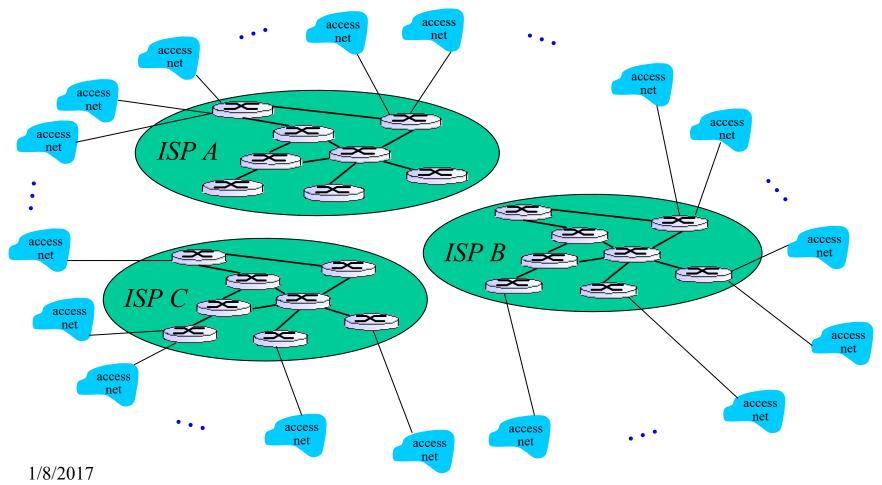
Option: connect each access ISP to every other access ISP?



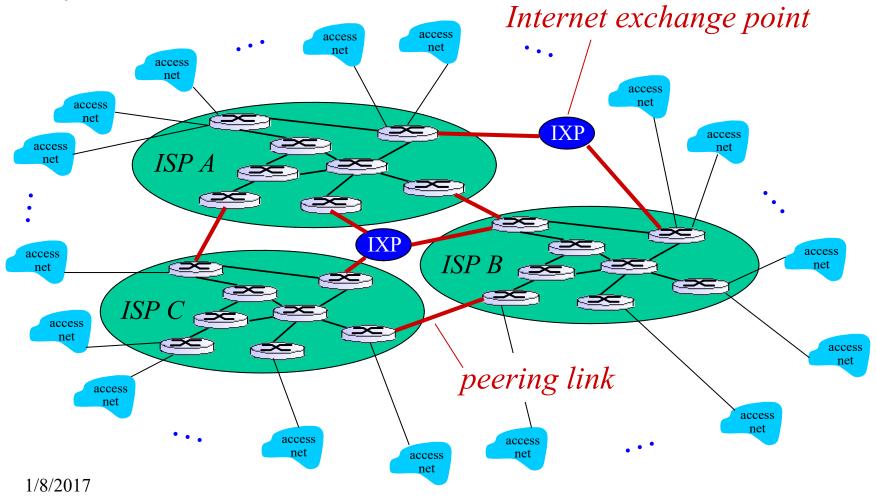
Option: connect each access ISP to a global transit ISP? Customer and provider ISPs have economic agreement.



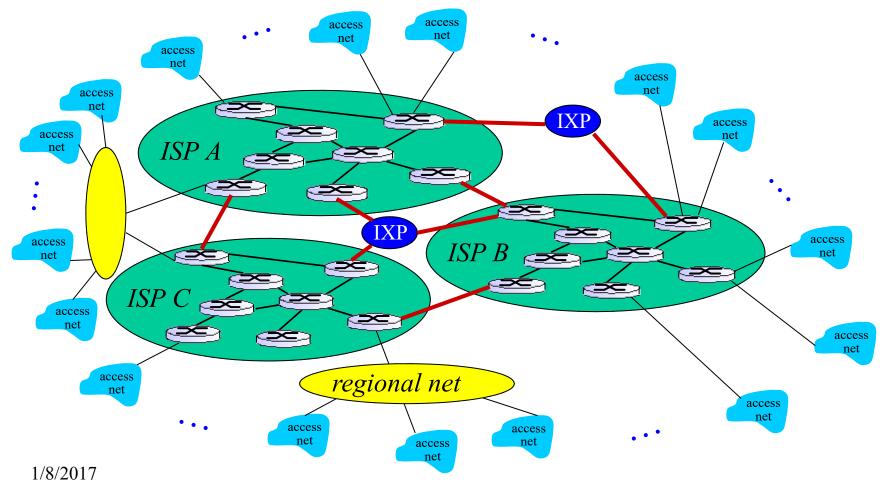
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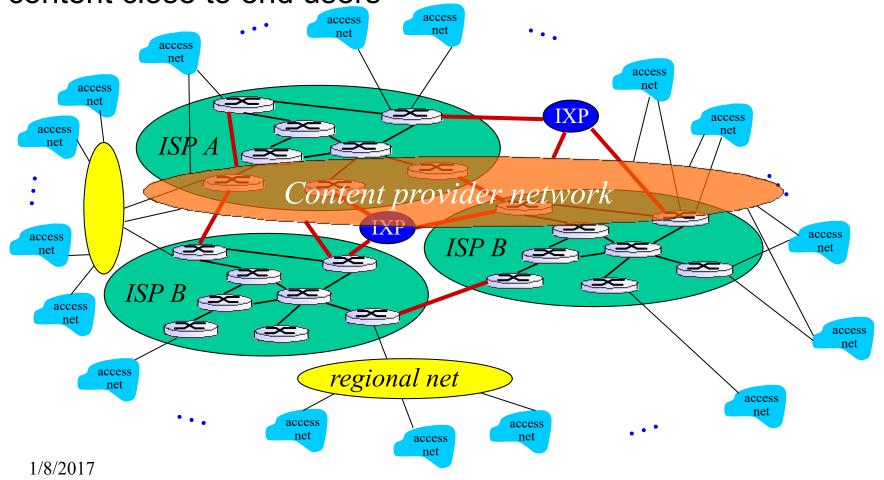
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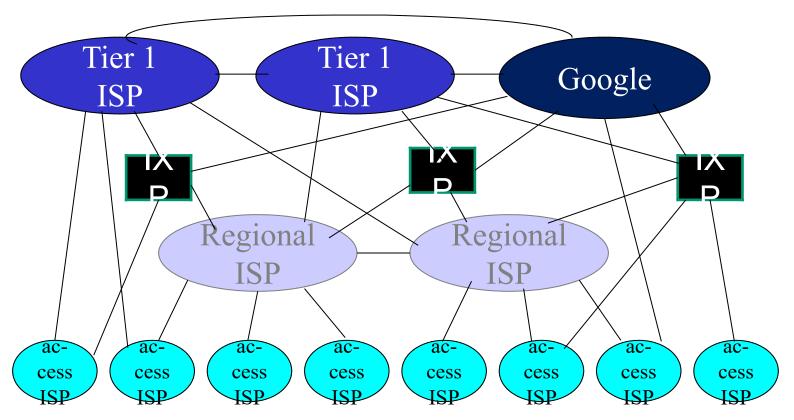


... and regional networks may arise to connect access nets to ISPS



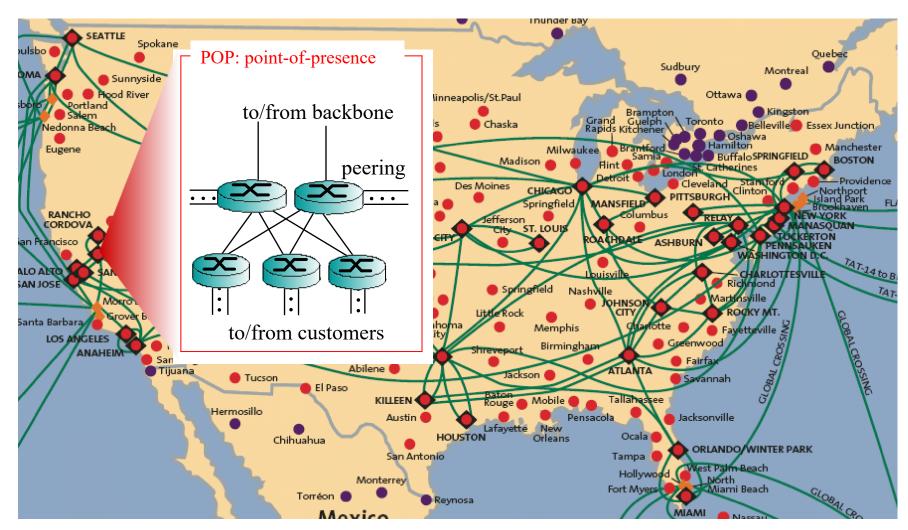
... and content provider networks (e.g., Google, Microsoft, Akamai) may run their own network, to bring services, content close to end users





- at center: small # of well-connected large networks
 - "tier-1" commercial ISPs (e.g., Level 3, Sprint, AT&T, NTT), national & international coverage
 - content provider network (e.g, Google): private network that connects it data centers to Internet, often bypassing tier-1, regional 1/8/28/7s

Tier-1 ISP: e.g., Sprint



Internet Design Philosophy

- Simple core, complex edge
- Best effort service
- Great support for heterogeneity
- Dynamic by design
- One network for many, many purposes
- Designed primarily for non-real-time text traffic with no QoS requirements other than reliable delivery.

Q: Does this explain why the internet does not work well for many applications?

Protocol "Layers"

Networks are complex!

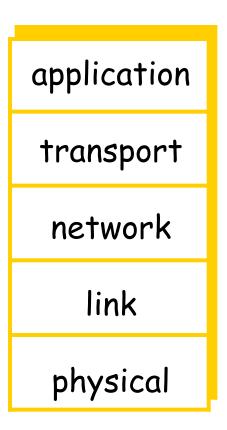
- many "pieces":
 - hosts
 - routers
 - links of various media
 - applications
 - protocols
 - hardware, software

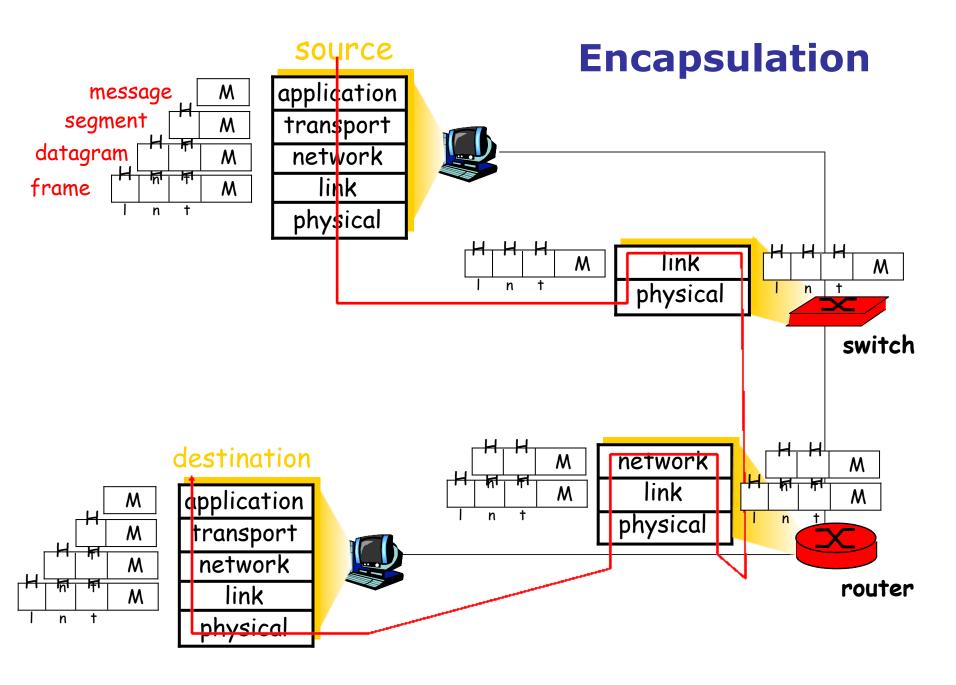
Pros and cons of layering:

- explicit structure allows identification, relationship of complex system's pieces
- modularization eases maintenance, updating of system
 - change of implementation of layer's service transparent to rest of system

Internet protocol "stack"

- application: supporting network applications
 - FTP, SMTP, STTP
- transport: host-host data transfer
 - TCP, UDP
- network: routing of datagrams from source to destination
 - IP, routing protocols
- link: data transfer between neighboring network elements
 - PPP, Ethernet
- physical: bits "on the wire"





Internet History

1961-1972: Early packet-switching principles

- 1961: Kleinrock queueing theory shows effectiveness of packetswitching
- 1964: Baran packetswitching in military nets
- 1967: ARPAnet conceived by Advanced Research Projects Agency
- 1969: first ARPAnet node operational

1972:

- ARPAnet demonstrated publicly
- 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
- 1973: Metcalfe's PhD thesis proposes Ethernet
- 1974: Cerf and Kahn architecture for interconnecting networks
- late70's: proprietary architectures: DECnet, SNA, XNA
- 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

define today's Internet architecture

Internet History

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

Next: Delay and loss in networks

• Reading: Ch 1, 2.