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Goals:

- Get "feel" & terminology
- More depth, detail *later* in course
- Approach:
 - Use Internet as example

Overview.

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Protocol "layers"



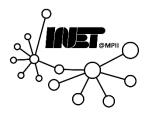
Networks are complex, with many "pieces":

- Hosts
- Routers
- Links of various media
- Applications
- Protocols
- Hardware, software

Question:

Is there any hope of *organizing* structure of network?

.... or at least our discussion of networks?



Lets take a look at air travel



baggage (check)

gates (load)

runway takeoff

airplane routing

ticket (complain)

baggage (claim)

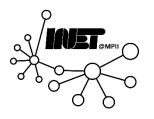
gates (unload)

runway landing

airplane routing

airplane routing

A series of steps



Air travel "layering"

ticket (purchase)		ticket (complain)	ticket
baggage (check)		baggage (claim	baggage
gates (load)		gates (unload)	gate
runway (takeoff)		runway (land)	takeoff/landing
airplane routing	airplane routing airplane routing	airplane routing	airplane routing
departure airport	intermediate air-traffic control centers	arrival airport	•

Layers: Each "layer" implements a service

- Via its own internal-layer actions
- Relying on services provided by layer below

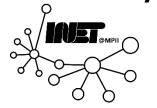


Why layering?

To handle complex systems:

- Explicit structure allows identification, relationship of complex system's pieces
 - Layered *reference model* for discussion
- Modularization eases maintenance, updating of system
 - Change of implementation of layer's service transparent to rest of system
 - E.g., change in gate procedure doesn't affect rest of system

Layering is often also considered harmful?



Internet protocol stack

Application: Network applications

• FTP, SMTP, HTTP

Transport: Process-process data transfer

- TCP, UDP
- *Network:* Routing of datagrams from source to destination
 - IP, routing protocols

Link: Data transfer between neighboring network elements

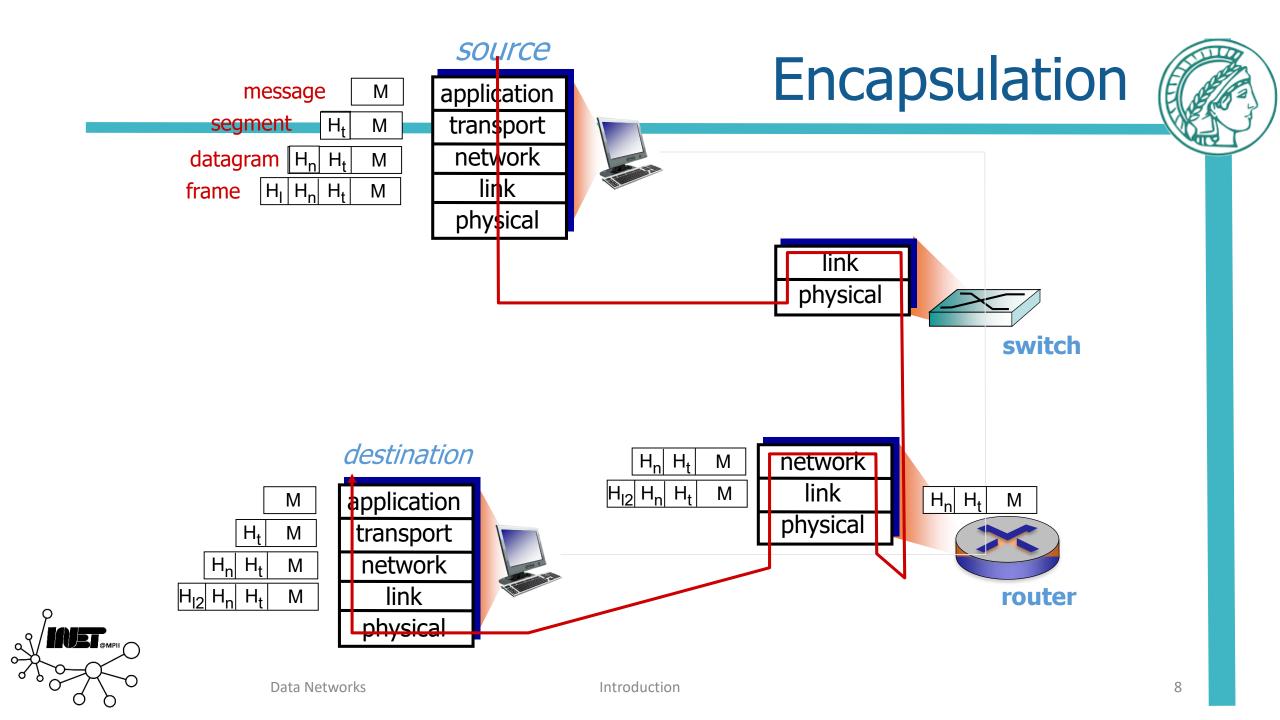
• Ethernet, 802.111 (WiFi), PPP

Physical: Bits "on the wire"





application transport network link physical



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Network security

Field of network security:

- How bad guys can attack computer networks
- How we can defend networks against attacks
- How to design architectures that are immune to attacks

Internet originally designed without (much) security in mind

- Original vision: "A group of mutually trusting users attached to a transparent network" ☺
- Internet protocol designers playing "catch-up"
- Security needed in all layers!



Bad guys: Malware

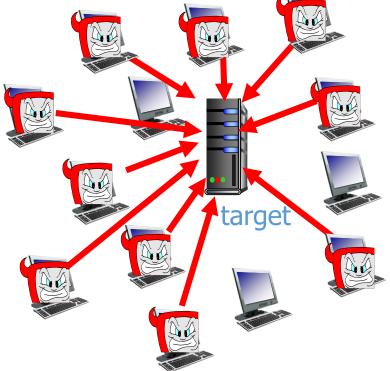


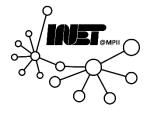
- Malware can get in host from:
 - Virus: Infection by receiving/executing object (e.g., e-mail attachment)
 - *Worm:* Self-replicating infection by passively receiving object that gets itself executed
- Spyware malware can record keystrokes, web sites visited, upload info to collection site
- Infected host are often enrolled in botnets, used, e.g., for spam, DDoS attacks

Bad guys: May attack infrastructure, hosts, ..



- Denial of Service (DoS): Attackers make resources (server, bandwidth) unavailable to legitimate traffic by overwhelming resource with bogus traffic
 - 1. Select target
 - 2. Break into hosts around the network (see botnet)
 - 3. Send packets to target from compromised hosts





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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: 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

Defines 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-IPaddress translation
- 1985: FTP protocol defined
- 1988: TCP congestion control

- New national networks: CSnet, BITnet, NSFnet, Minitel
- 100,000 hosts connected to confederation of networks



Internet history



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

- Early 1990's: ARPAnet decommissioned Late 1990's 2000's:
- 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

- More "killer" apps: instant messaging, P2P file sharing
- Network security to forefront
- Est. 50 million host, 100 million+ users
- Backbone links running at Gbps



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Internet history

2005-present

- ~5B devices attached to Internet (2016)
 - Smartphones and tablets
- Aggressive deployment of broadband access
- Increasing ubiquity of high-speed wireless access
- Emergence of online social networks:
 - Facebook: ~ one billion users
- Service providers (Google, Microsoft) create their own networks
 - Bypass Internet, providing "instantaneous" access to search, video content, email, etc.
- E-commerce, universities, enterprises running their services in "cloud" (e.g., Amazon EC2)



Introduction: Summary

Covered a "ton" of material!

- Internet overview
- What's a protocol?
- Network edge, core, access network
- Packet-switching versus circuitswitching
- Internet structure
- Performance: Loss, delay, throughput
- Layering
- Security
- History



You should now have:

- Context, overview, "feel" of networking
- More depth, detail to follow!

