

# Networking Overview

- Example network application: hitting a URL from a Web browser
  - Up to 6 messages to translate URL to IP address
  - 3 messages to set up TCP/IP connection to Web server
  - 4 messages for HTTP *get* message and response, with positive acknowledgements (ACKs)
  - 4 messages to tear down TCP/IP connection





## **Network Requirements**

- Different perspectives
  - Application developer



- Services needed, performance guarantees
- Network designer
  - Cost-effective design, efficient utilization, fair allocation
- Network provider
  - Easy administration and management





# Network Connectivity

- Principle task of any kind of network is to connect things together. Scope might be limited or world wide, like the Internet
  - Scalability is typically an issue with a network
- Connectivity at different levels
  - *Link* level
  - Node level
  - Network level





# Connectivity (cont.)

- Link physical connection between two devices
  – Point-to-point
  - Point-to-point - Multi-access ...



#### Example Multi-Access Connections



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# Node Connectivity

- Nodes devices that are connected (i.e. computers, cell phones, etc.)
  - Can be connected indirectly through intermediate devices





## Networks

- Connection of point-to-point links devices with more than one link can forward data between links (i.e. switches)
- Different types of switched networks
  - Circuit switched
    - For example, telephone network
  - Packet switched
    - Most computer networks
    - Switches are typically store-and-forward



## **Network Connectivity**

 Connect clouds together into an interconnected network, or internet





### Cost-Effective Resource Sharing

- One goal is to efficiently use connections
- Multiple nodes need to share links

- Need to use multiplexing





# Types of Multiplexing

- Synchronous Time Division Multiplexing (STDM)
  - Break link capacity into equal sized chunks of time and assign a chunk to each host
- Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM)
  - Same thing, but break capacity into different frequencies
- Statistical Multiplexing
  - Don't use fixed-sized chunks; allow size to vary and dynamically allow nodes to send chunks.
  - Define max. size per block each block is a packet



## **Common Services**

- In addition to connectivity, networks must provide a set of services that applications can use
  - Network provides logical *channels* that connect applications on different nodes
  - Different channels might have different service requirements
    - Guaranteed delivery
    - Sequential ordering
    - Privacy



### **Common Patterns**

- Many exchanges are *client-server*
- Different channels depending on semantics of exchange
  - Request/reply
  - Message stream
- Other exchanges and channel types; i.e. peer-to-peer





# Reliability

- In the real world, "stuff happens", even to data on a network
- Different types of errors
  - Bit errors
    - Measured Bit Error Rates (BER) 10<sup>-6</sup> to 10<sup>-7</sup> for copper, 10<sup>-12</sup> to 10<sup>-14</sup> for fiber
  - Burst errors
  - Packet errors
  - Node or link errors



## **Network Architectures**

- General blueprints for design and implementation of networks
- Since most networks are complex, divide into layers of abstraction



Application programs	
Request/reply	Message stream
channel	channel
Host-to-host connectivity	
Hardware	

 Individual layers might have multiple abstractions



### Protocols

- Protocols are the abstract objects that make up each layer of the architecture
  - Each provides a service interface to the next higher layer (i.e. an API), and a peer interface to the corresponding protocol on the peer



node



#### **Protocol Graphs and Stacks**





# Protocols (cont.)

- Protocols have an abstract specification and one or more implementations
  - Each protocol module must correctly implement the spec in order to interoperate
- Standardization bodies exist to control the proliferation of protocols and to provide mechanisms for introducing, validating, and modifying protocols





## Encapsulation

 Each successive protocol in a stack should treat the data handed to it as a "black box" and add on the necessary data to perform its function





### **ISO Standard Architecture**

- International Standards Organization's Open System Interconnection architecture (ISO-OSI)
- Reference model not widely used in practice
- ISO also publishes the X. protocol specifications that fit into this model





## **OSI** Model





### Internet Architecture

