

Computer Networks and Applications

COMP 3331/COMP 9331

Week 1

Introduction to Computer Networks

Reading Guide: Chapter 1, Sections 1.1 - 1.4

Acknowledgment

- ❖ Majority of lecture slides are from the author's lecture slide set
 - Enhancements + *additional material*

Introduction

Our goal:

- ❖ Get “feel,” “big picture,” introduction to terminology
 - more depth, detail *later* in course
- ❖ Approach:
 - use Internet as example

Overview/roadmap:

- ❖ *What is the Internet?*
- ❖ *What is a protocol?*
- ❖ **Network edge:** hosts, access network, physical media
- ❖ **Network core:** packet/circuit switching, internet structure
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- ❖ Protocol layers, service models
- ❖ **Security (self study, not on exam)**
- ❖ **History (self study, not on exam)**

Hobbe's Internet Timeline - <http://www.zakon.org/robert/internet/timeline/>

Quiz: What is the Internet?



- A. One single homogenous network
- B. An interconnection of different computer networks
- C. An infrastructure that provides services to networked applications
- D. Something else (answer in comments on Zeeting)

Answer: B and C as explained on the next few slides

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The Internet: a “nuts and bolts” view



Billions of connected computing *devices*:

- *hosts* = end systems
- running *network apps* at Internet’s “edge”



Packet switches: forward packets (chunks of data)

- *routers, switches*



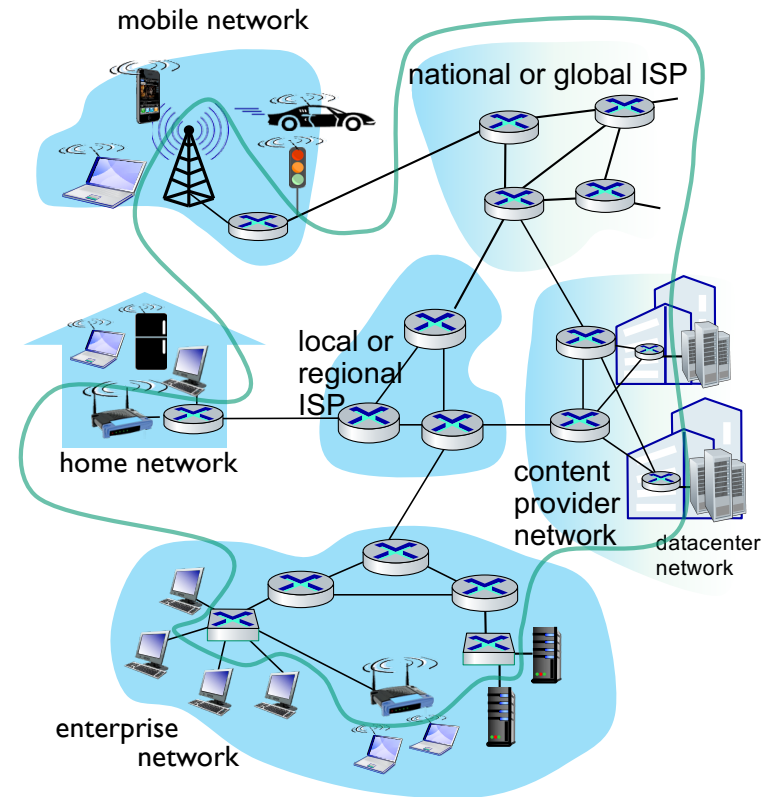
Communication links

- fiber, copper, radio, satellite
- transmission rate: *bandwidth*



Networks

- collection of devices, routers, links: managed by an organization



“Fun” Internet appliances



Security Camera



Picture frame



Web-enabled toaster +
weather forecaster



car



pacemaker



Tweet-a-watt:
monitor energy use



Fitbit



Amazon Echo



Internet
refrigerator



Networked TV Set top Boxes



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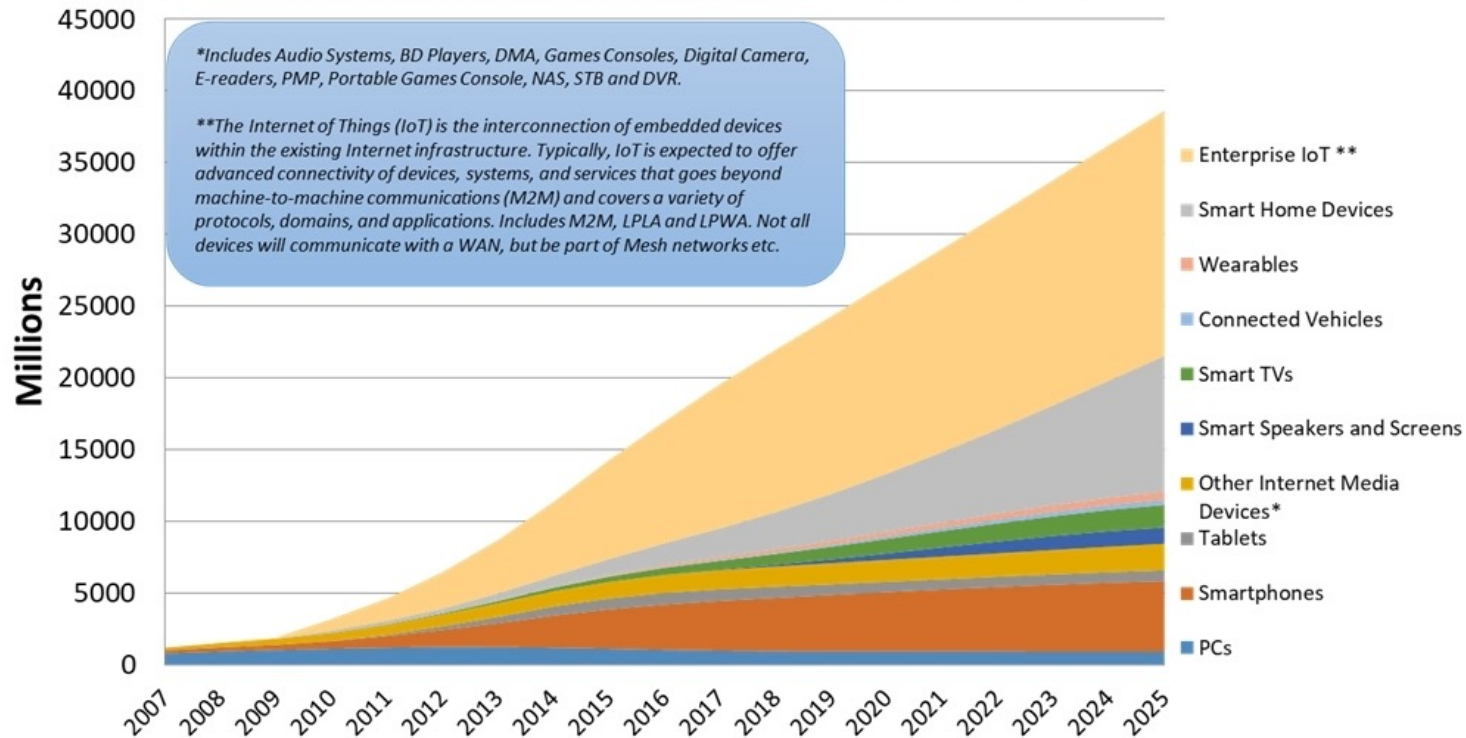


Smart Lightbulbs



AR devices

Global Connected and IoT Device Installed Base Forecast

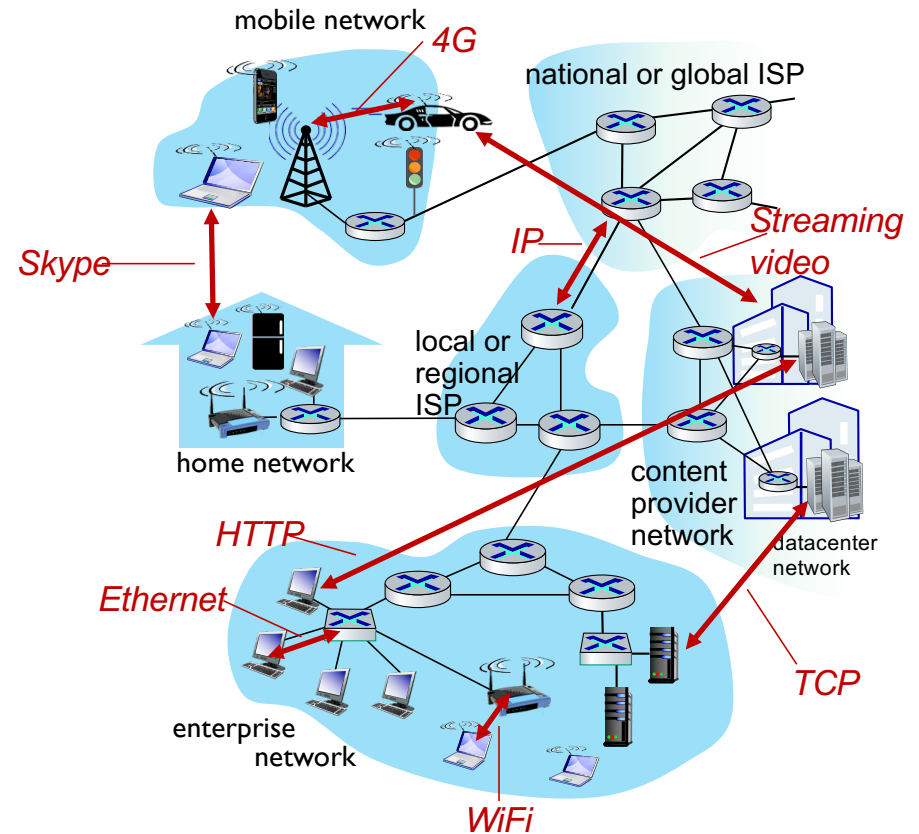


Source – Strategy Analytics research services, May 2019: IoT Strategies, Connected Home Devices, Connected Computing Devices, Wireless Smartphone Strategies, Wearable Device Ecosystem, Smart Home Strategies

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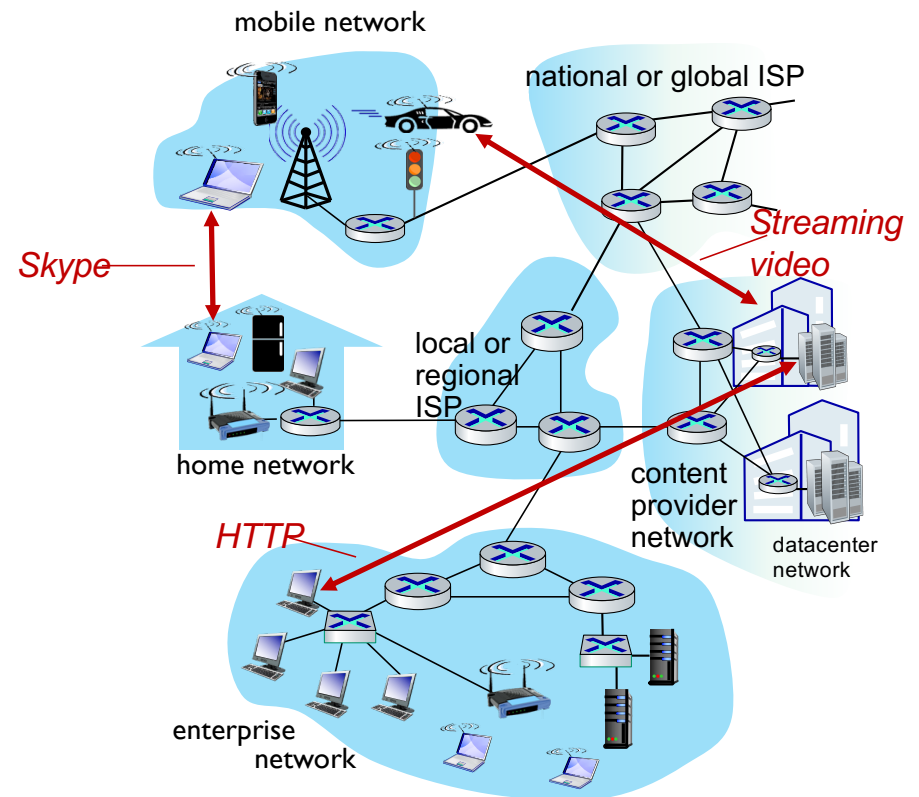
❖ *Internet: “network of networks”*

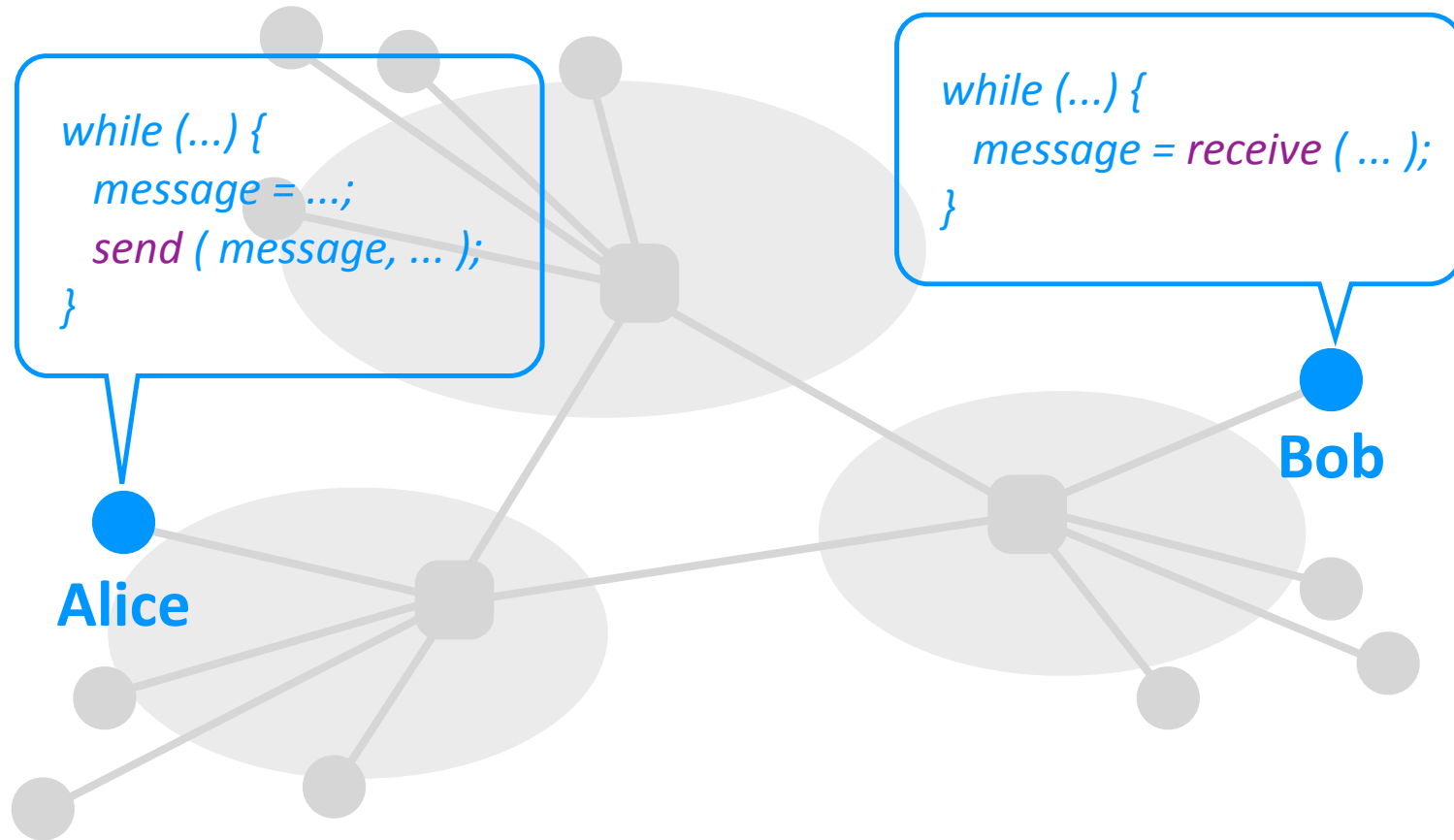
- Interconnected ISPs
- *protocols* are everywhere
 - control sending, receiving of messages
 - e.g., HTTP (Web), streaming video, Skype, TCP, IP, WiFi, 4G, Ethernet
- *Internet standards*
 - RFC: Request for Comments
 - IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force

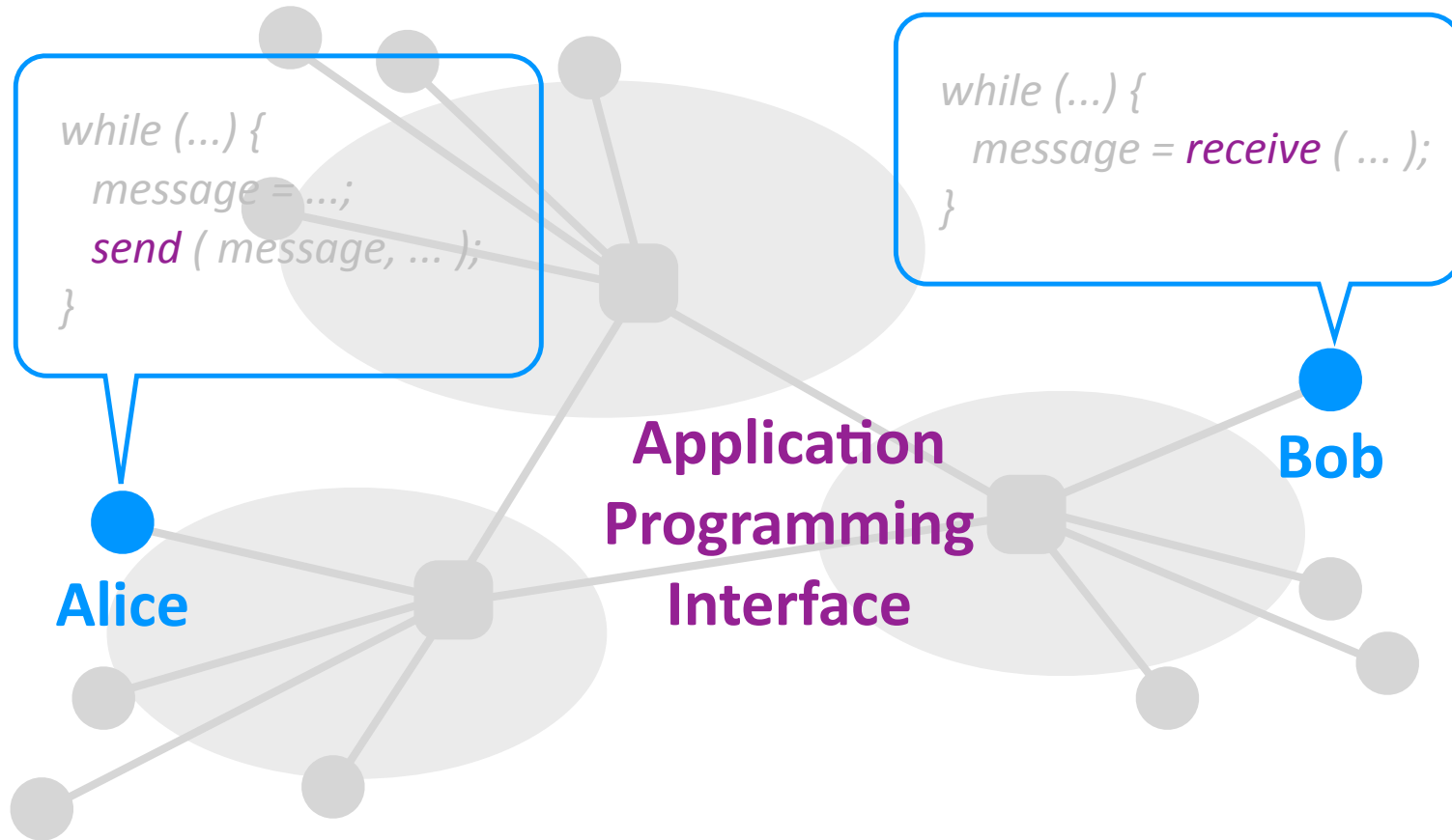


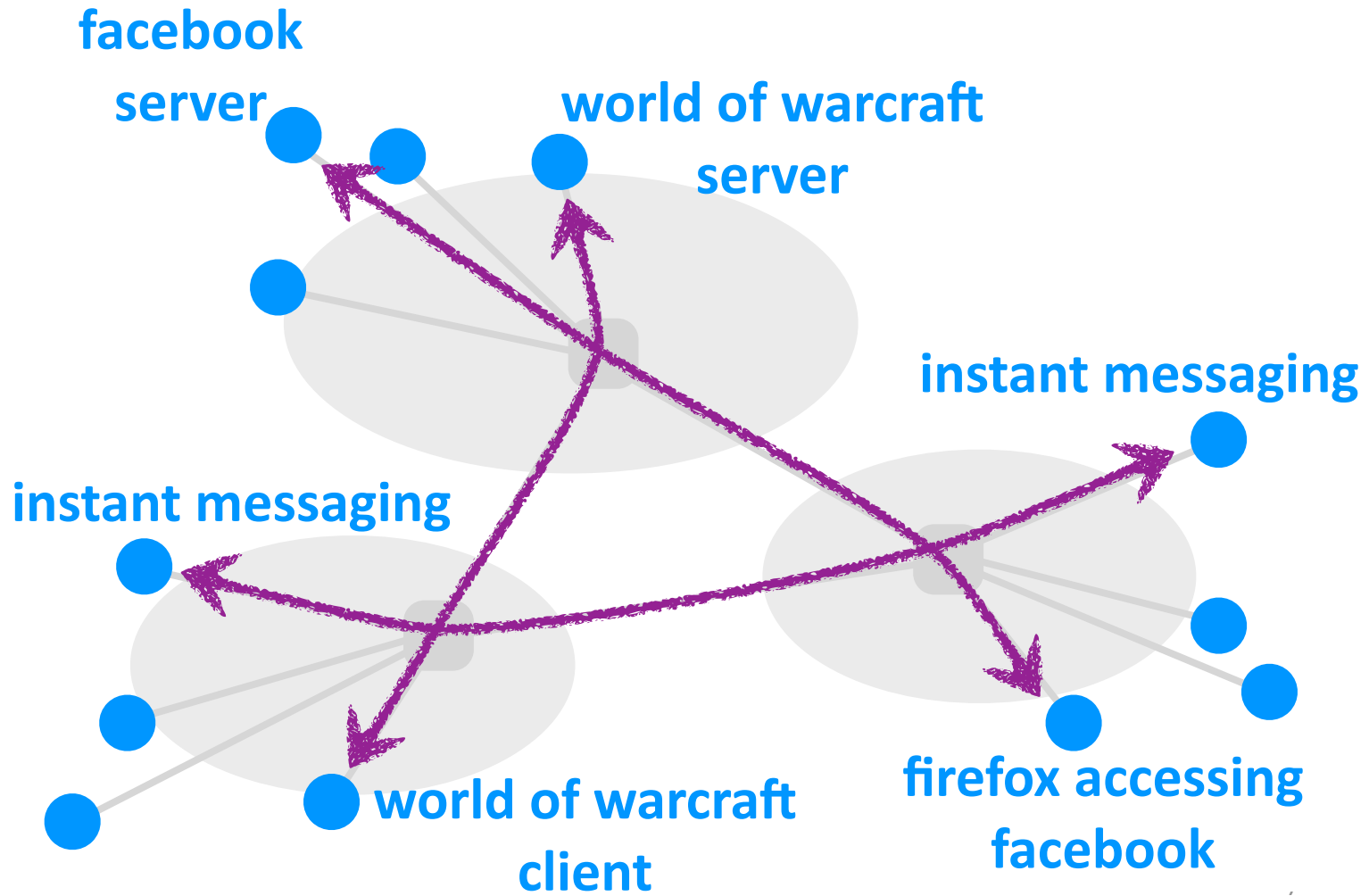
The Internet: a “service” view

- ❖ *Infrastructure* that provides services to applications:
 - Web, streaming video, multimedia teleconferencing, email, games, e-commerce, social media, inter-connected appliances, ...
- provides *programming interface* to distributed applications:
 - “hooks” allowing sending/receiving apps to “connect” to, use Internet transport service
 - provides service options, analogous to postal service









What's a protocol?

Human protocols:

- “what’s the time?”
- “I have a question”
- introductions

... specific messages sent

... specific actions taken
when message received,
or other events

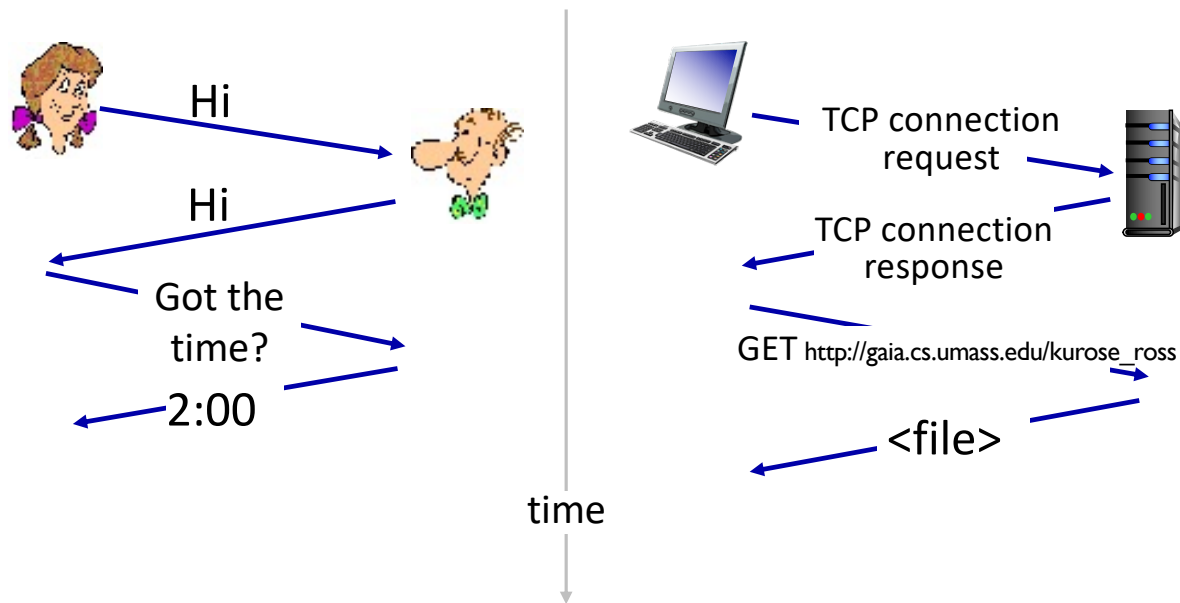
Network protocols:

- computers (devices) rather than humans
- all communication activity in Internet governed by protocols

*Protocols define the **format, order** of
messages sent and received among
network entities, and **actions taken** on
msg transmission, receipt*

What's a protocol?

A human protocol and a computer network protocol:



Q: other human protocols?



Quiz: Internet of Things

How many Internet-connected devices do you have in your home (include your computers, phones, tablets)?

- A. Less than 10
- B. Between 10 to 20
- C. Between 20 to 50
- D. Between 50 to 100
- E. More than 100

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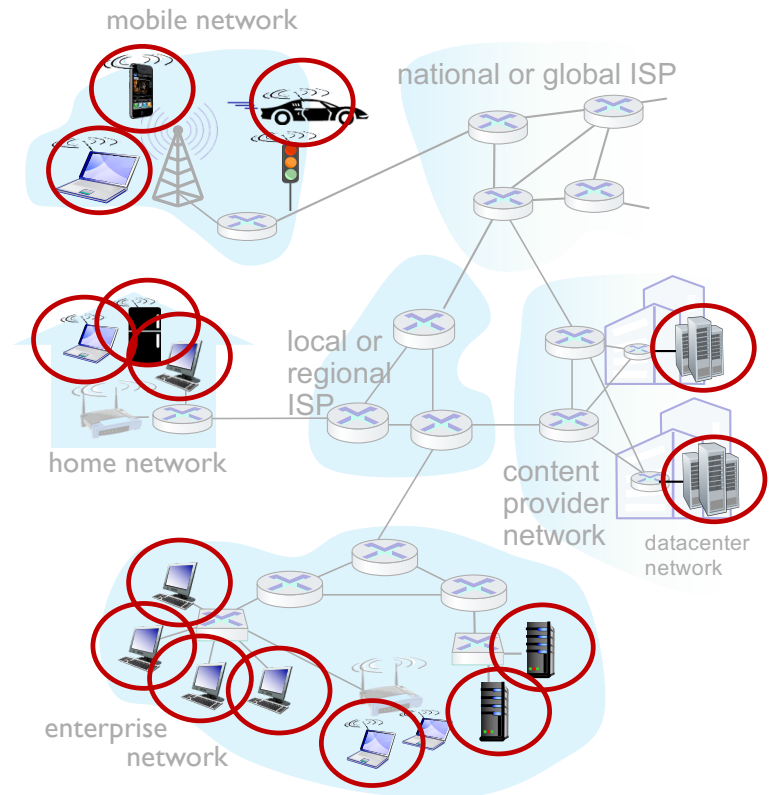
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A closer look at Internet structure

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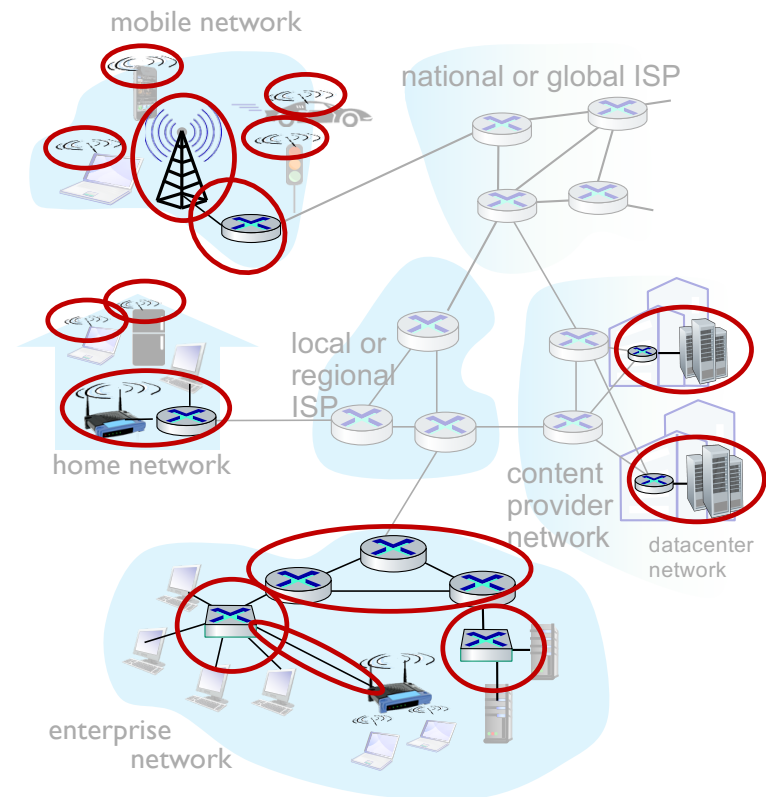
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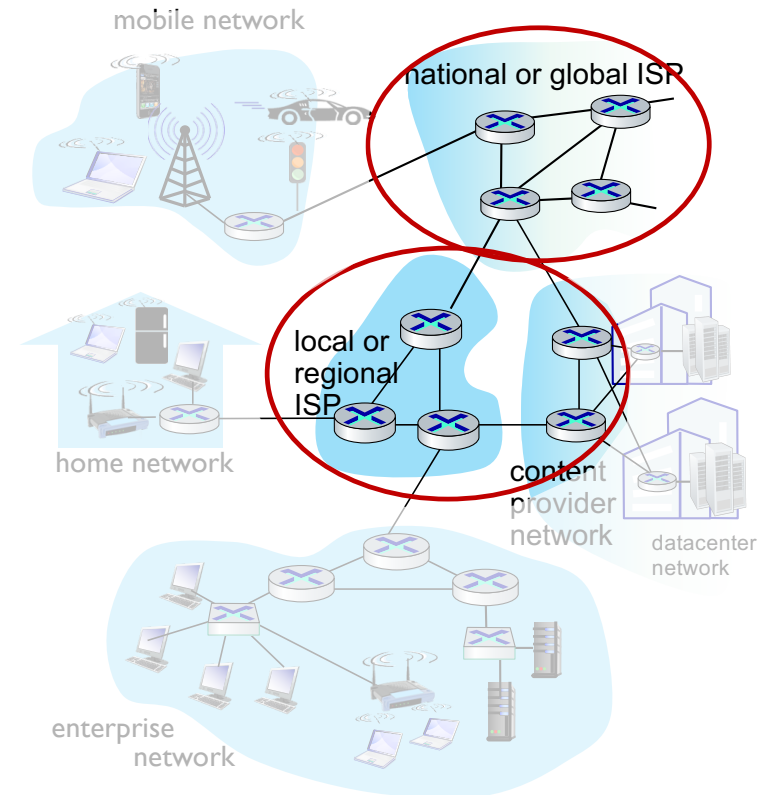
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Network core:

- interconnected routers
- network of networks



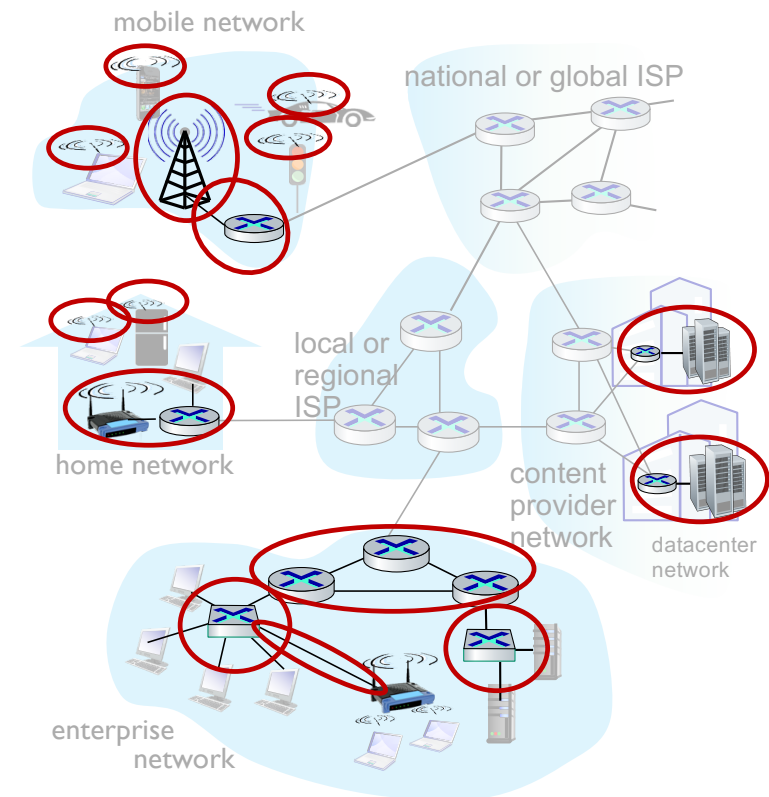
Access networks and physical media

Q: How to connect end systems to edge router?

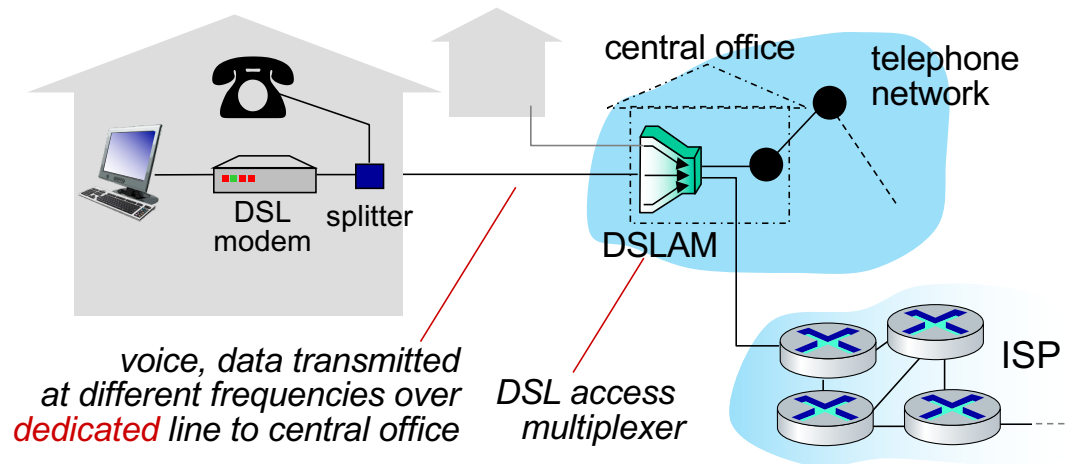
- ❖ residential access nets
- ❖ institutional access networks (school, company)
- ❖ mobile access networks (WiFi, 4G/5G)

What to look for:

- transmission rate (bits per second) of access network?
- shared or dedicated access among users?

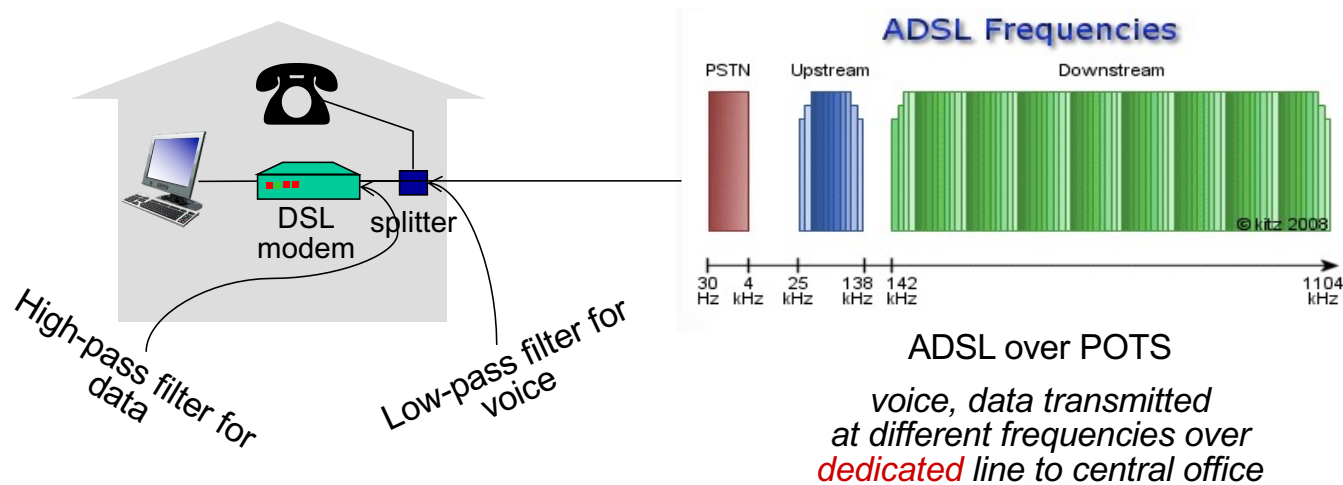


Access networks: digital subscriber line (DSL)



- use *existing* telephone line to central office DSLAM
 - data over DSL phone line goes to Internet
 - voice over DSL phone line goes to telephone net

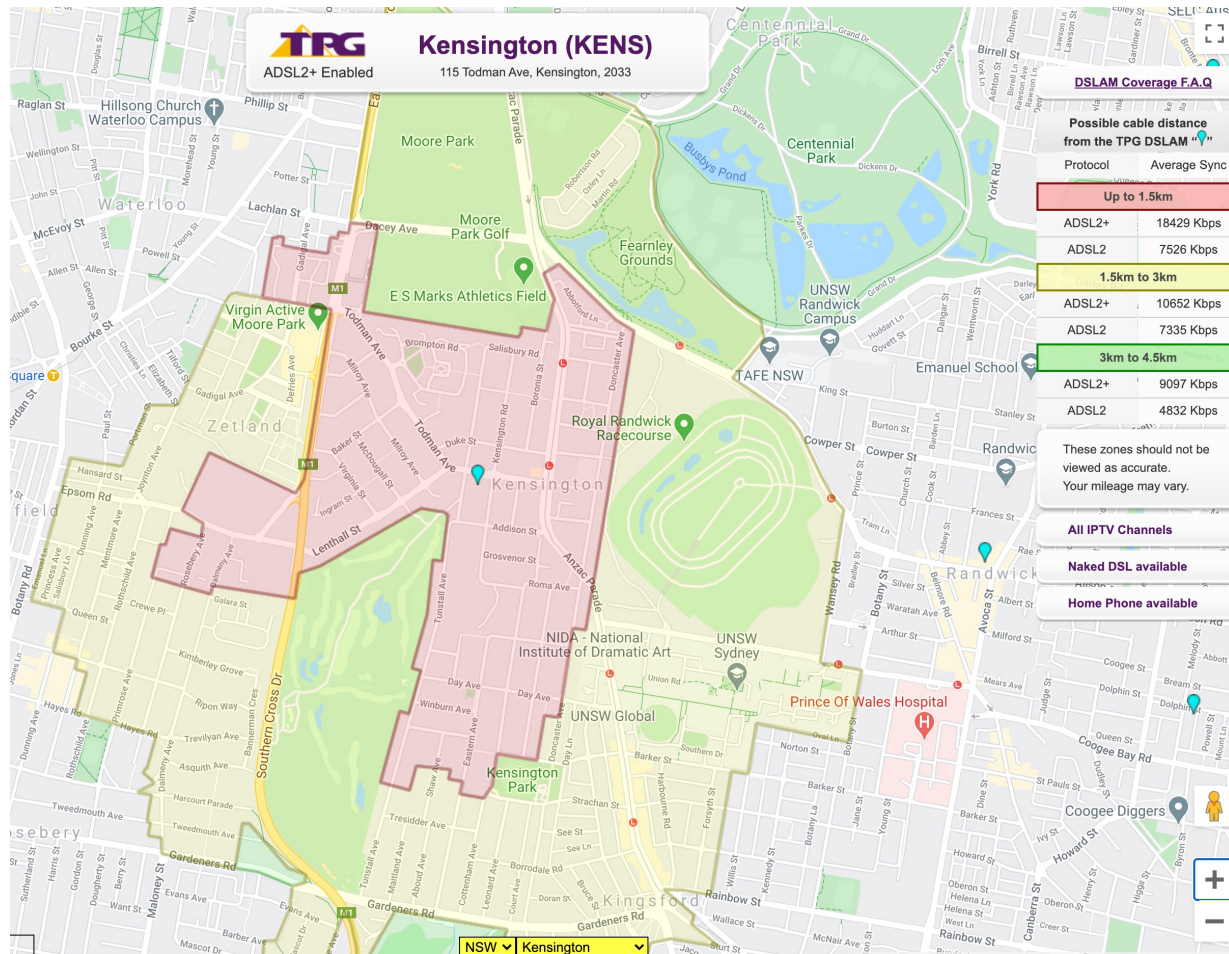
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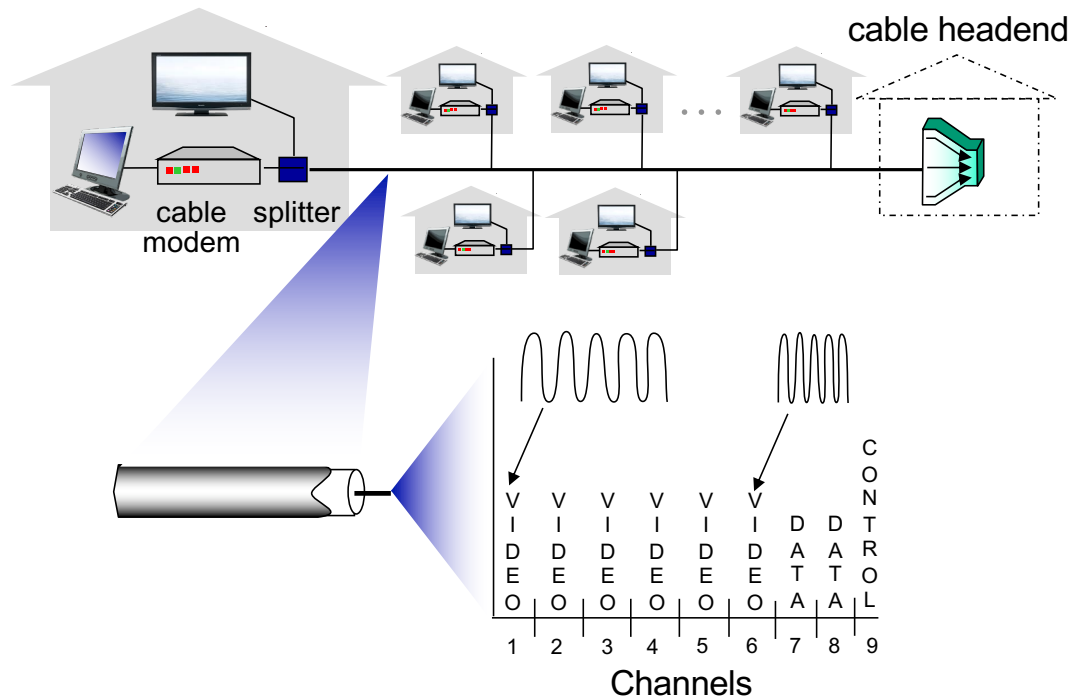
Different data rates for upload and download (ADSL)

- 24-52 Mbps dedicated downstream transmission rate
- 3.5-16 Mbps dedicated upstream transmission rate

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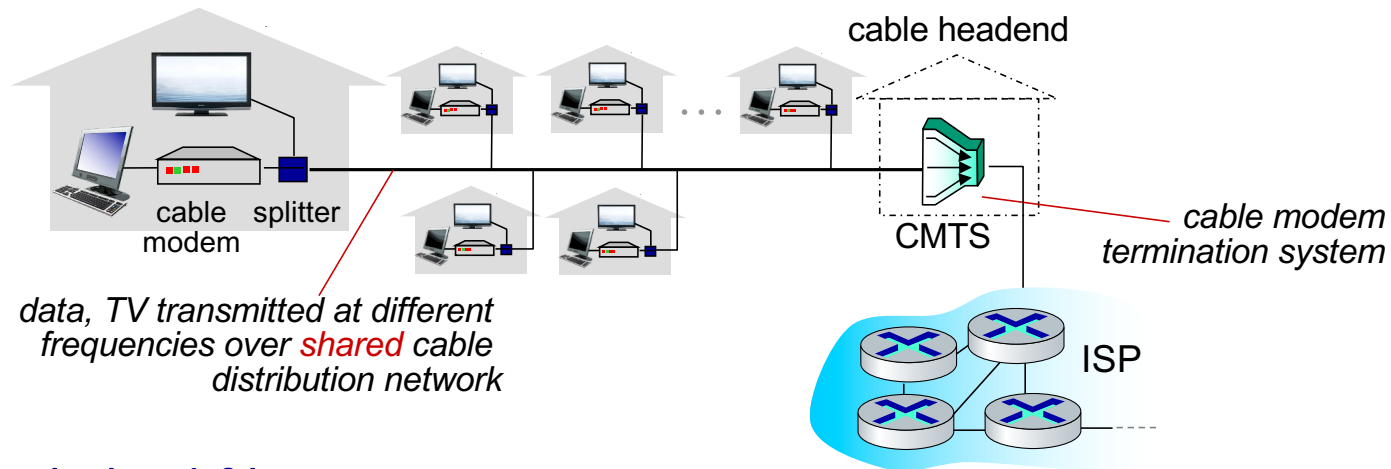


Access networks: cable-based access



frequency division multiplexing (FDM): different channels transmitted in different frequency bands

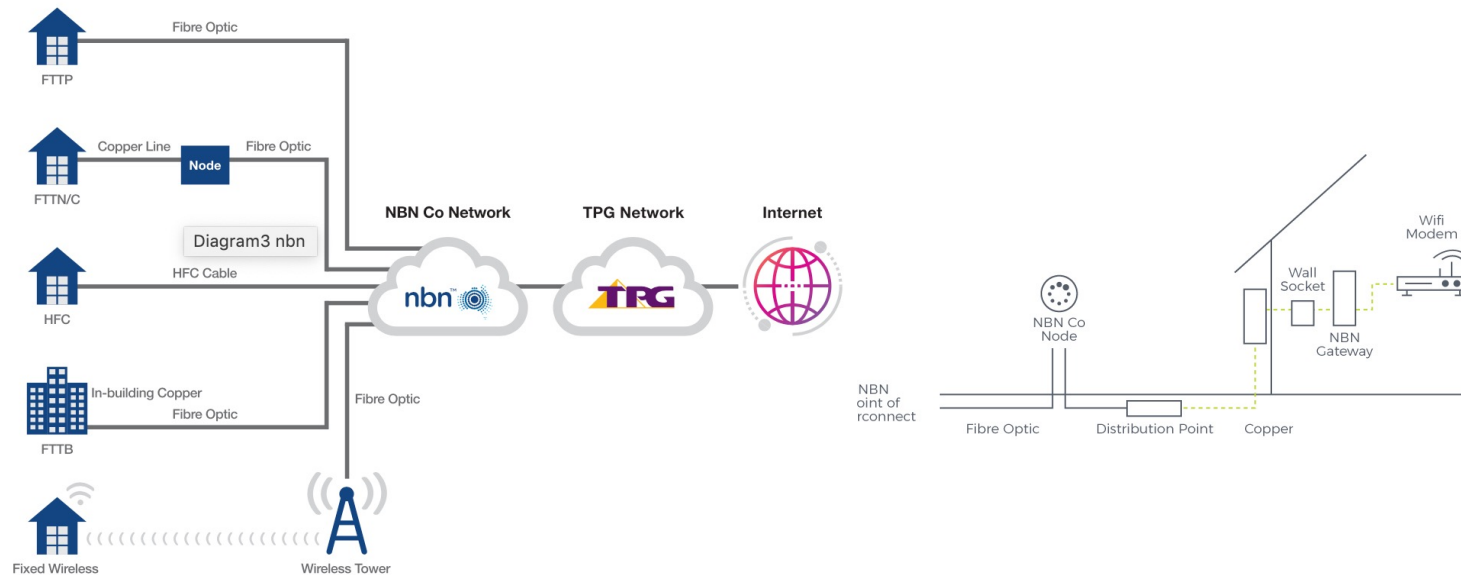
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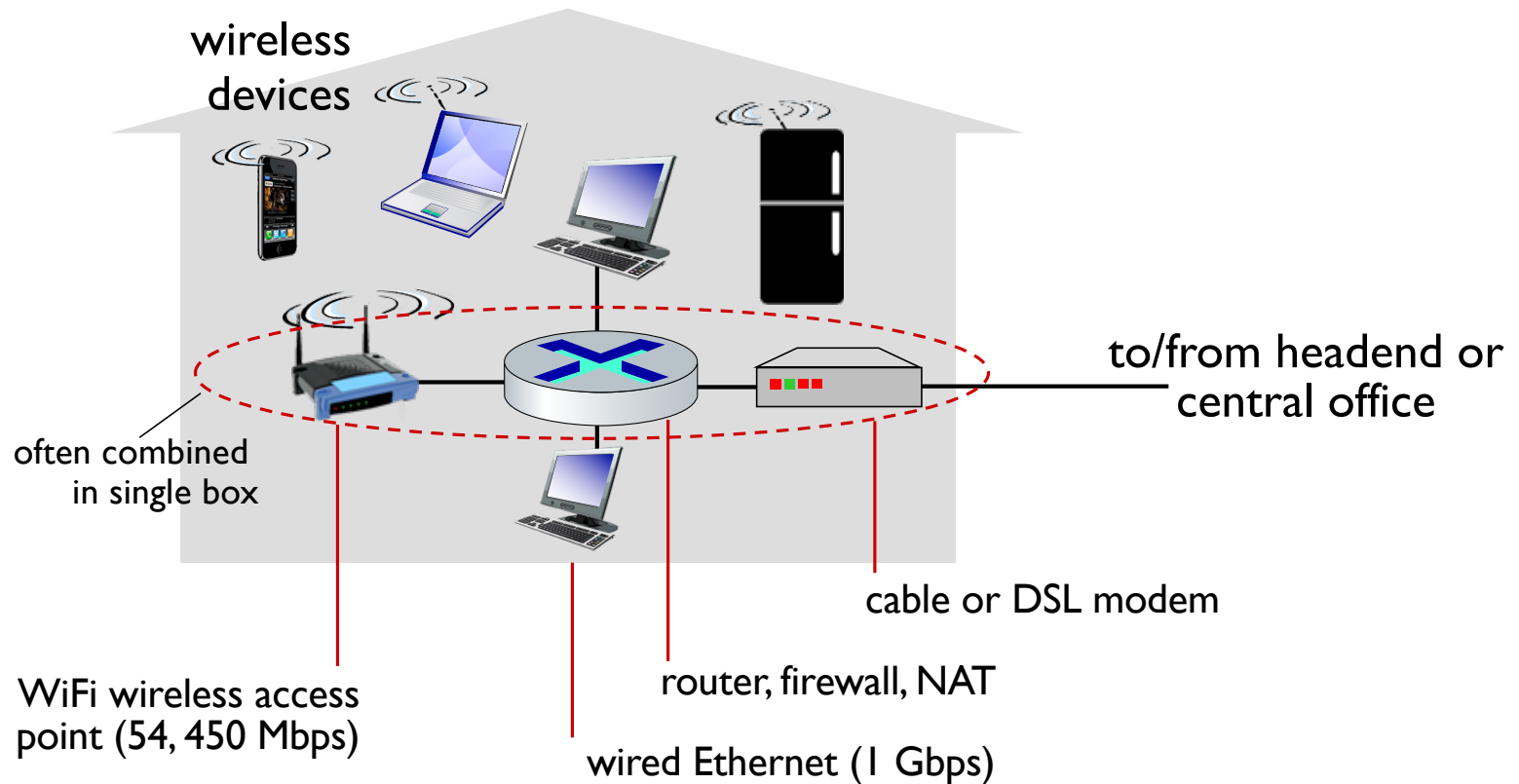
- HFC: hybrid fiber coax
 - asymmetric: up to 40 Mbps – 1.2 Gbs downstream transmission rate, 30-100 Mbps upstream transmission rate
- network of cable, fiber attaches homes to ISP router
 - homes *share access network* to cable headend
 - Unlike DSL, which has dedicated access to central office

Fiber to the home/premise/curb

- ❖ Fully optical fiber path all the way to the home (or premise or curb)
 - e.g., NBN, Google, Verizon FIOS
 - ~30 MbDs to 1GbDs



Access networks: home networks



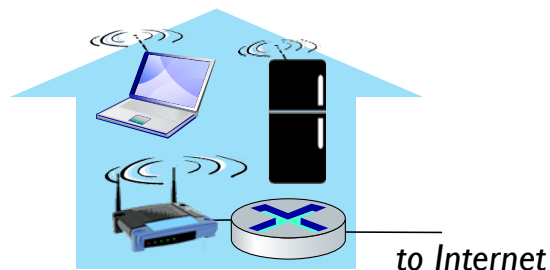
Wireless access networks

Shared *wireless* access network connects end system to router

- via base station aka “access point”

Wireless local area networks (WLANs)

- typically within or around building (~100 ft)
- 802.11b/g/n (WiFi): 11, 54, 450 Mbps transmission rate

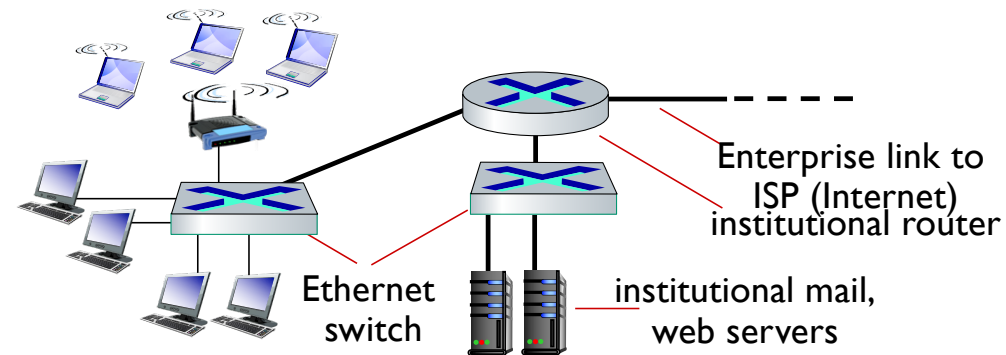


Wide-area cellular access networks

- provided by mobile, cellular network operator (10's km)
- 10's Mbps
- 4G cellular networks (5G coming)



Access networks: enterprise networks

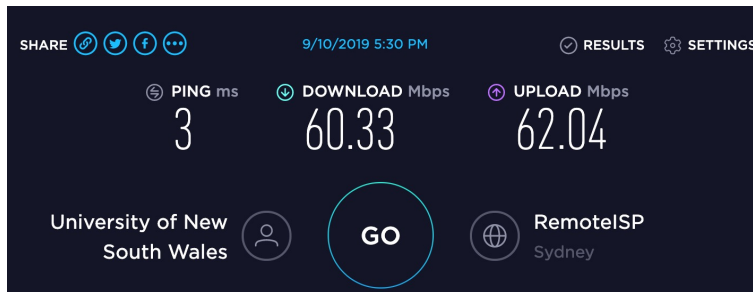


- companies, universities, etc.
- mix of wired, wireless link technologies, connecting a mix of switches and routers (we'll cover differences shortly)
 - Ethernet: wired access at 100Mbps, 1 Gbps, 10Gbps
 - WiFi: wireless access points at 11, 54, 450 Mbps

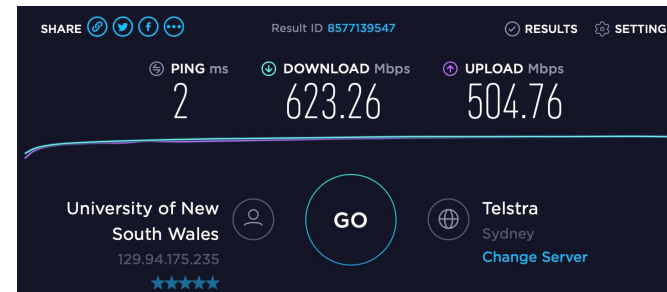
Sample results

Can you explain the differences?

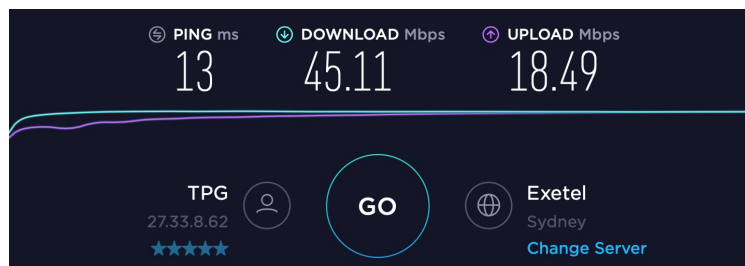
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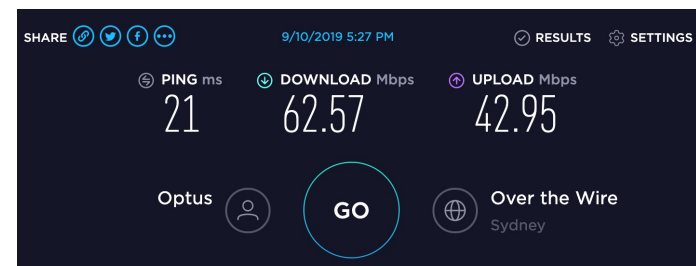
Wired Network @ CSE



FTTC + Cable + WiFi @ my home



4G Network





Quiz: Your access network

Your residential ISP provides connectivity using the following technology:

- A. DSL
- B. Cable
- C. Fiber to the home/premise/curb
- D. Mobile (3G/4G/5G)
- E. Satellite
- F. Something Else (type in Zeetings comment)

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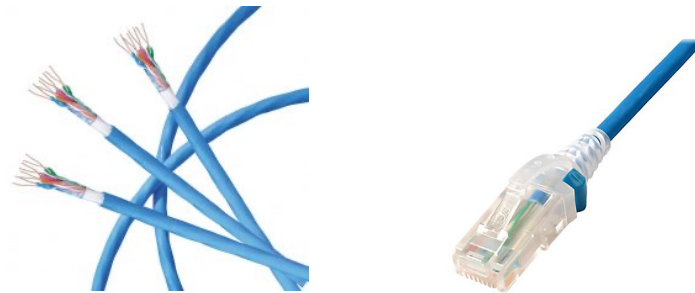
Links: physical media

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- **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 Gbps Ethernet
 - Category 6: 10Gbps Ethernet



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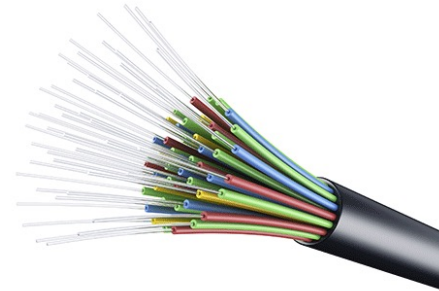
Coaxial cable:

- two concentric copper conductors
- bidirectional
- broadband:
 - multiple frequency channels on cable
 - 100's Mbps per channel



Fiber optic cable:

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



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Wireless radio

- signal carried in electromagnetic spectrum
- no physical “wire”
- broadcast and “half-duplex” (sender to receiver)
- propagation environment effects:
 - reflection
 - obstruction by objects
 - interference

Radio link types:

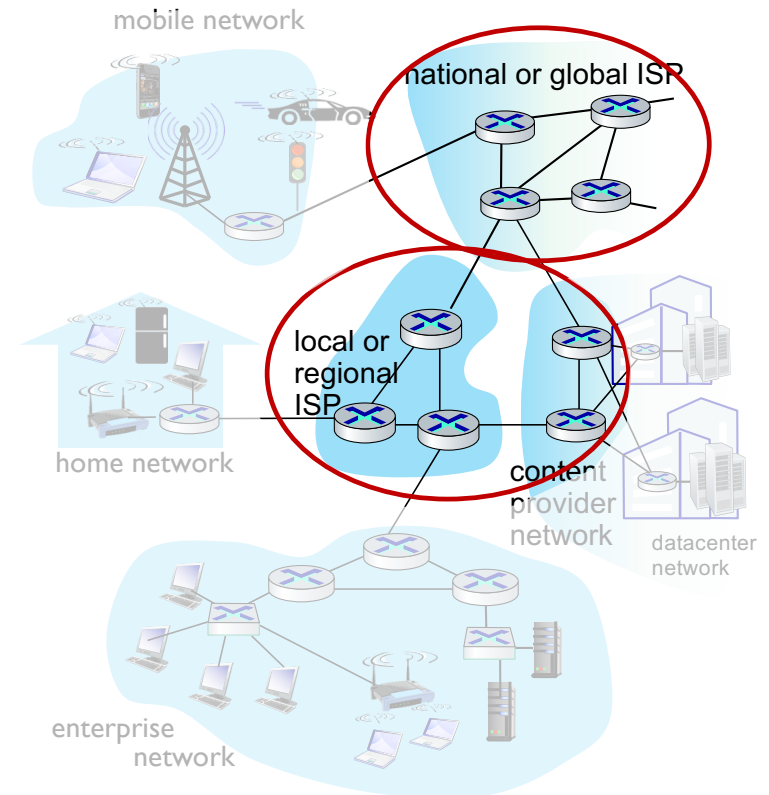
- **terrestrial microwave**
 - up to 45 Mbps channels
- **Wireless LAN (WiFi)**
 - Up to 100’s Mbps
- **wide-area (e.g., cellular)**
 - 4G cellular: ~ 10’s Mbps
- **satellite**
 - up to 45 Mbps per channel
 - 270 msec end-end delay
 - geosynchronous versus low-earth-orbit

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The network core

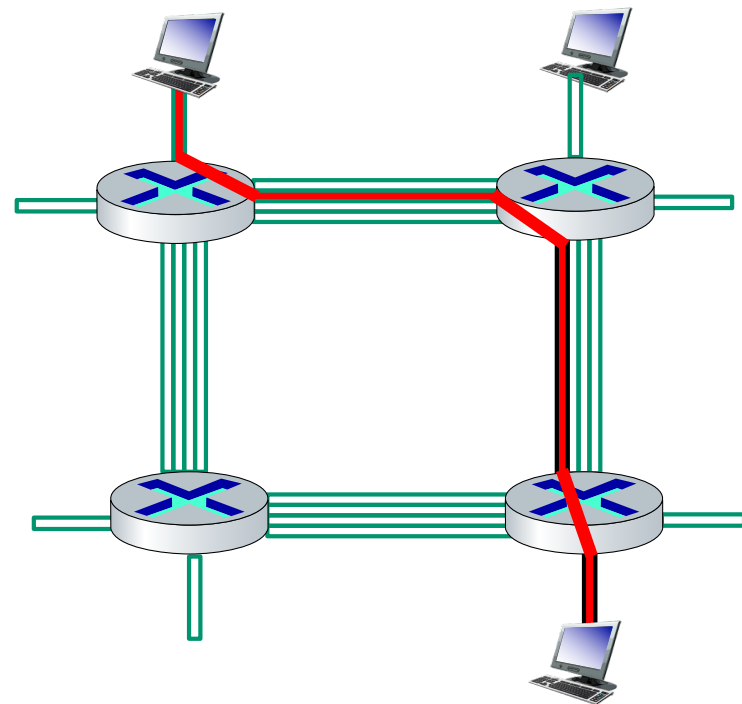
- ❖ mesh of interconnected routers
- ❖ **packet-switching**: hosts break application-layer messages into *packets*
 - forward packets from one router to the next, across links on path from source to destination
 - each packet transmitted at full link capacity
 - Is used in the Internet
- ❖ **circuit-switching**: an alternative used in legacy telephone networks which was considered during the design of the Internet



Alternative to packet switching: circuit switching

end-end resources allocated to, reserved for “call” between source and destination

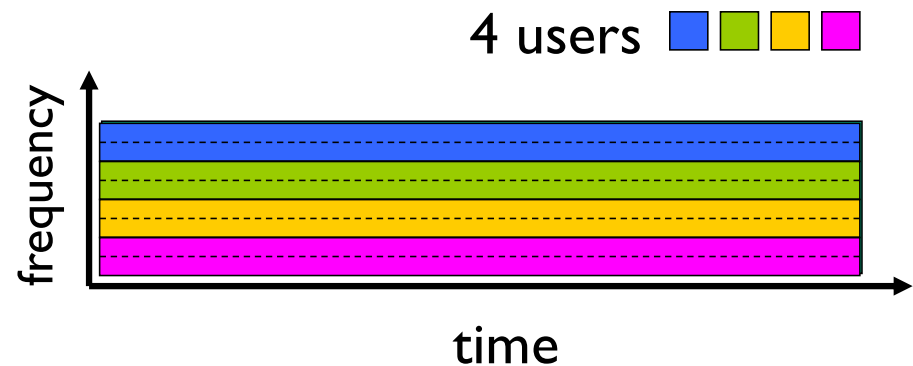
- ❖ in diagram, each link has four circuits.
 - call gets 2nd circuit in top link and 1st circuit in right link.
- ❖ dedicated resources: no sharing
 - circuit-like (guaranteed) performance
- ❖ circuit segment idle if not used by call (no sharing)
- ❖ commonly used in traditional telephone networks



Circuit switching: FDM and TDM

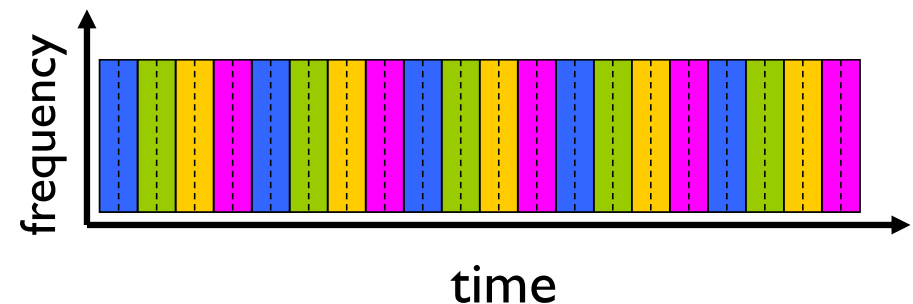
Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM)

- ❖ optical, electromagnetic frequencies divided into (narrow) frequency bands
- ❖ each call allocated its own band, can transmit at max rate of that narrow band

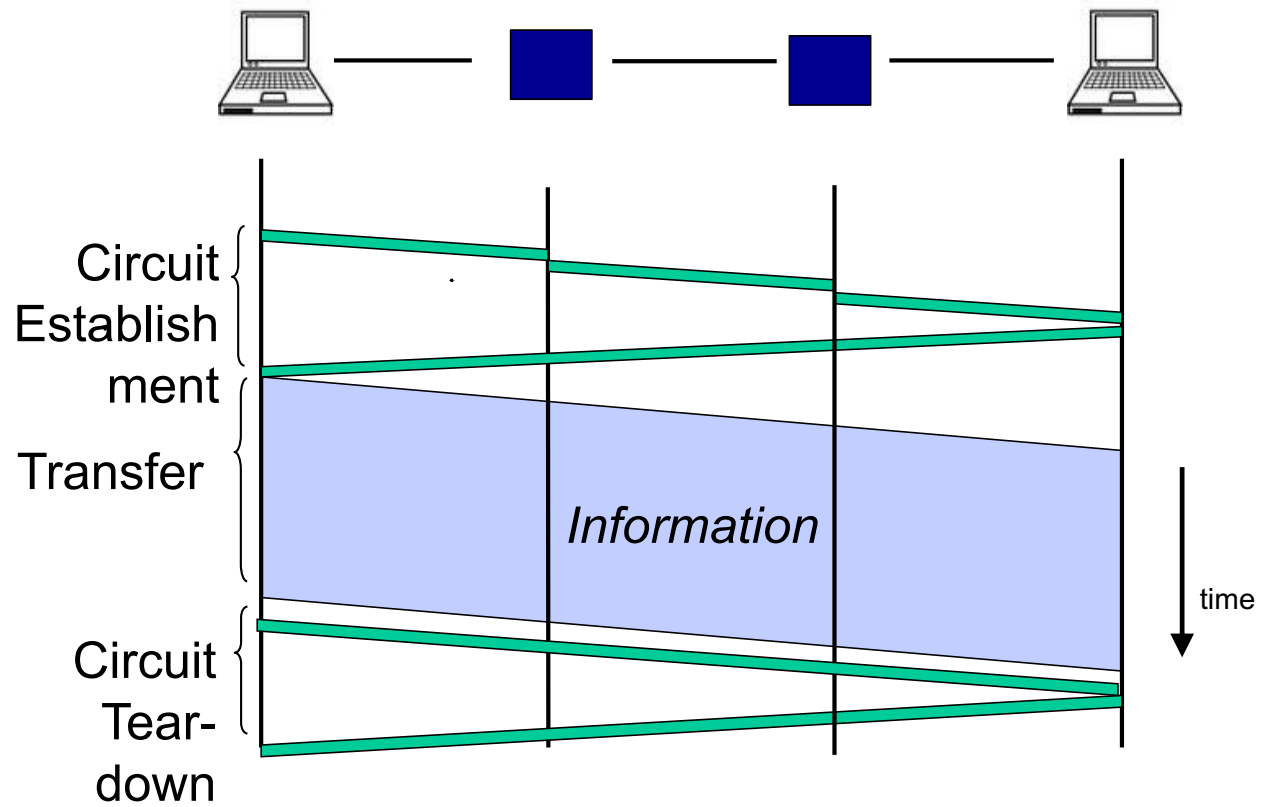


Time Division Multiplexing (TDM)

- time divided into slots
- each call allocated periodic slot(s), can transmit at maximum rate of (wider) frequency band, but only during its time slot(s)



Timing in Circuit Switching



Why circuit switching is not feasible?

➤ Inefficient

- Computer communications tends to be very bursty. For example, viewing a sequence of web pages
- Dedicated circuit cannot be used or shared in periods of silence
- Cannot adapt to network dynamics

➤ Fixed data rate

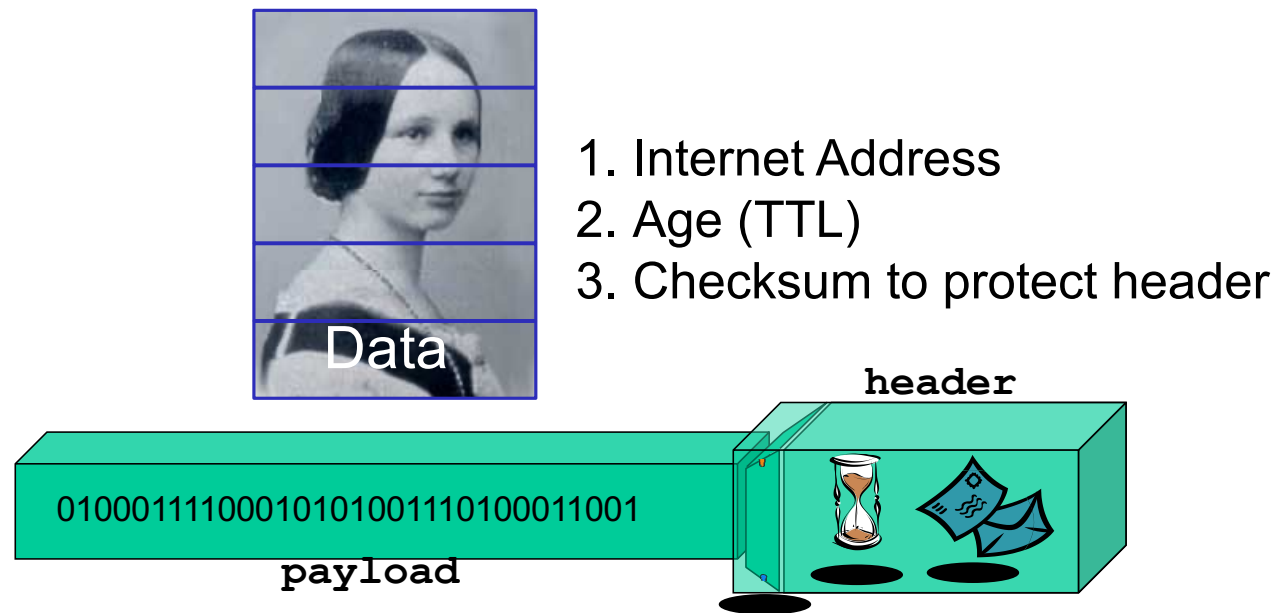
- Computers communicate at very diverse rates. For example, viewing a video vs using telnet or web browsing
- Fixed data rate is not useful

➤ Connection state maintenance

- Requires per communication state to be maintained that is a considerable overhead
- Not scalable

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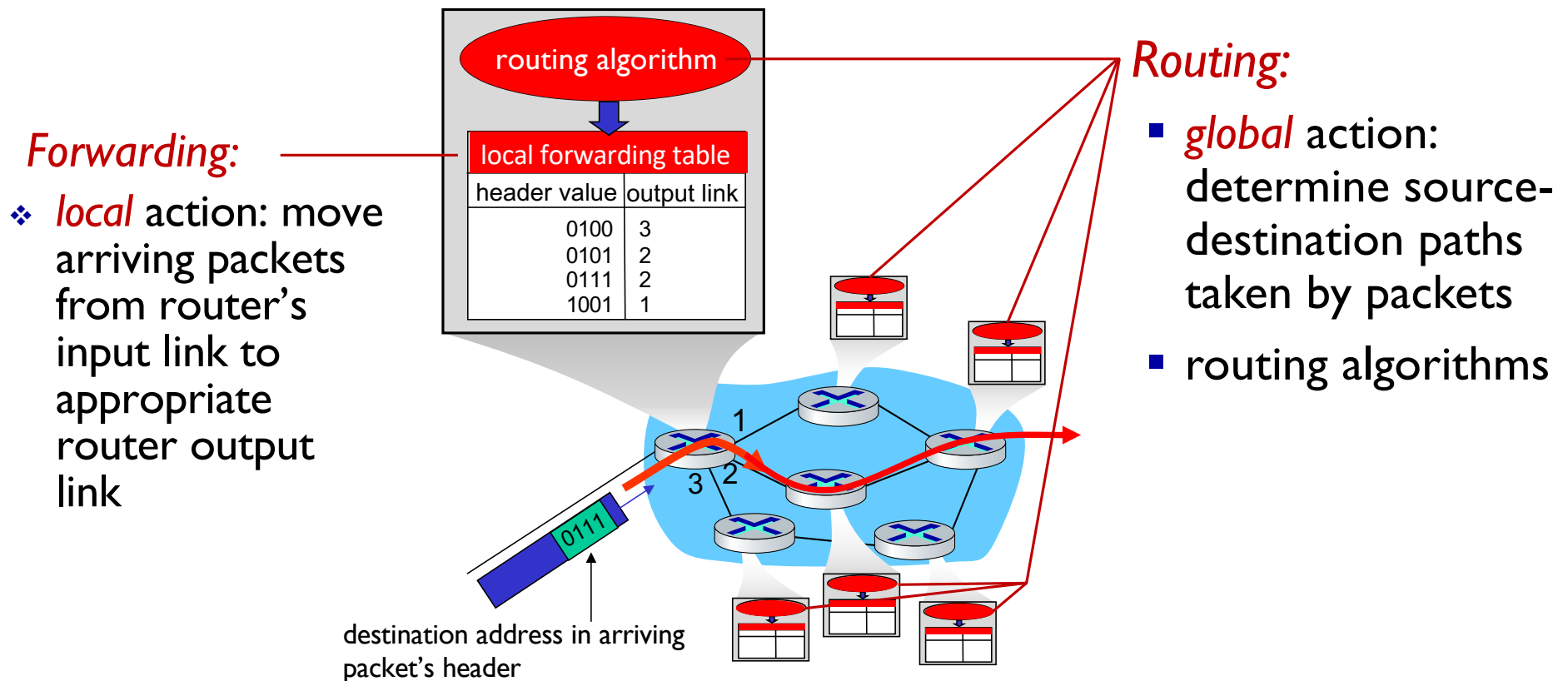
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 - header holds instructions to the network for how to handle packet (think of the header as an API)

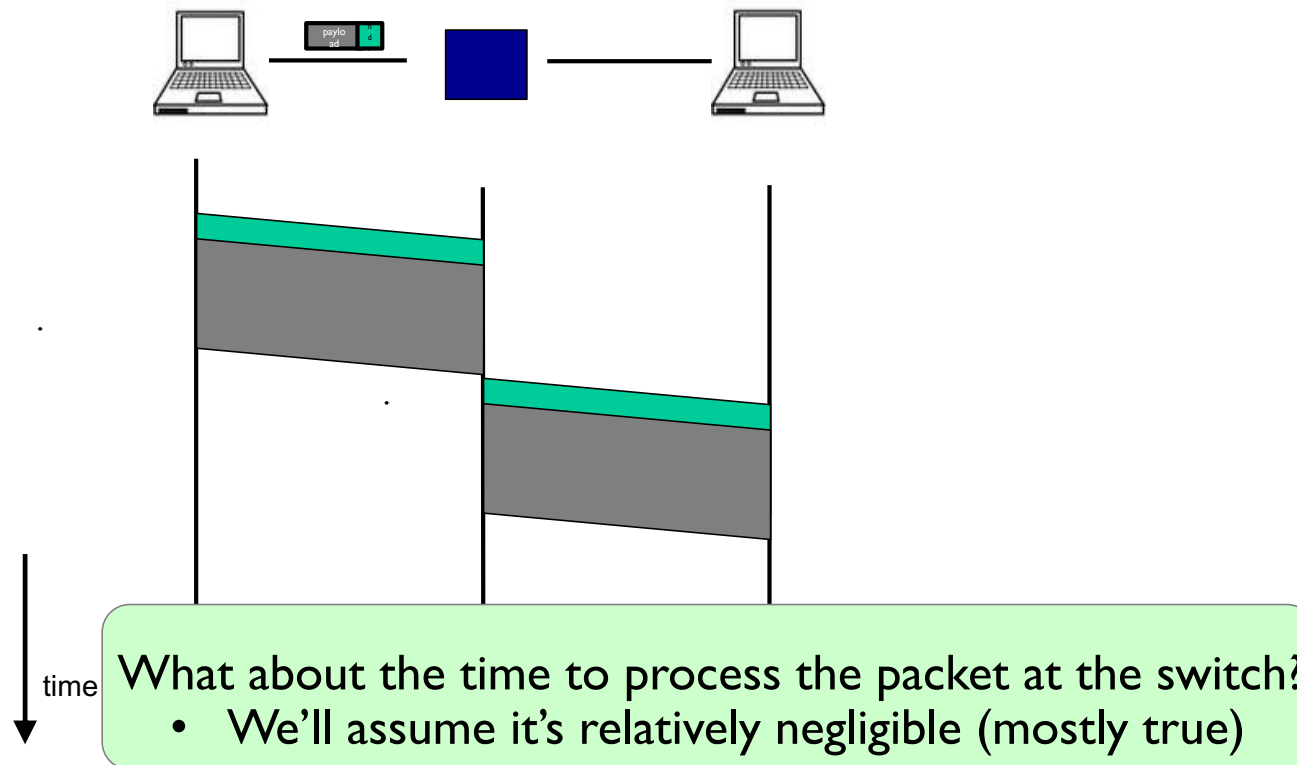
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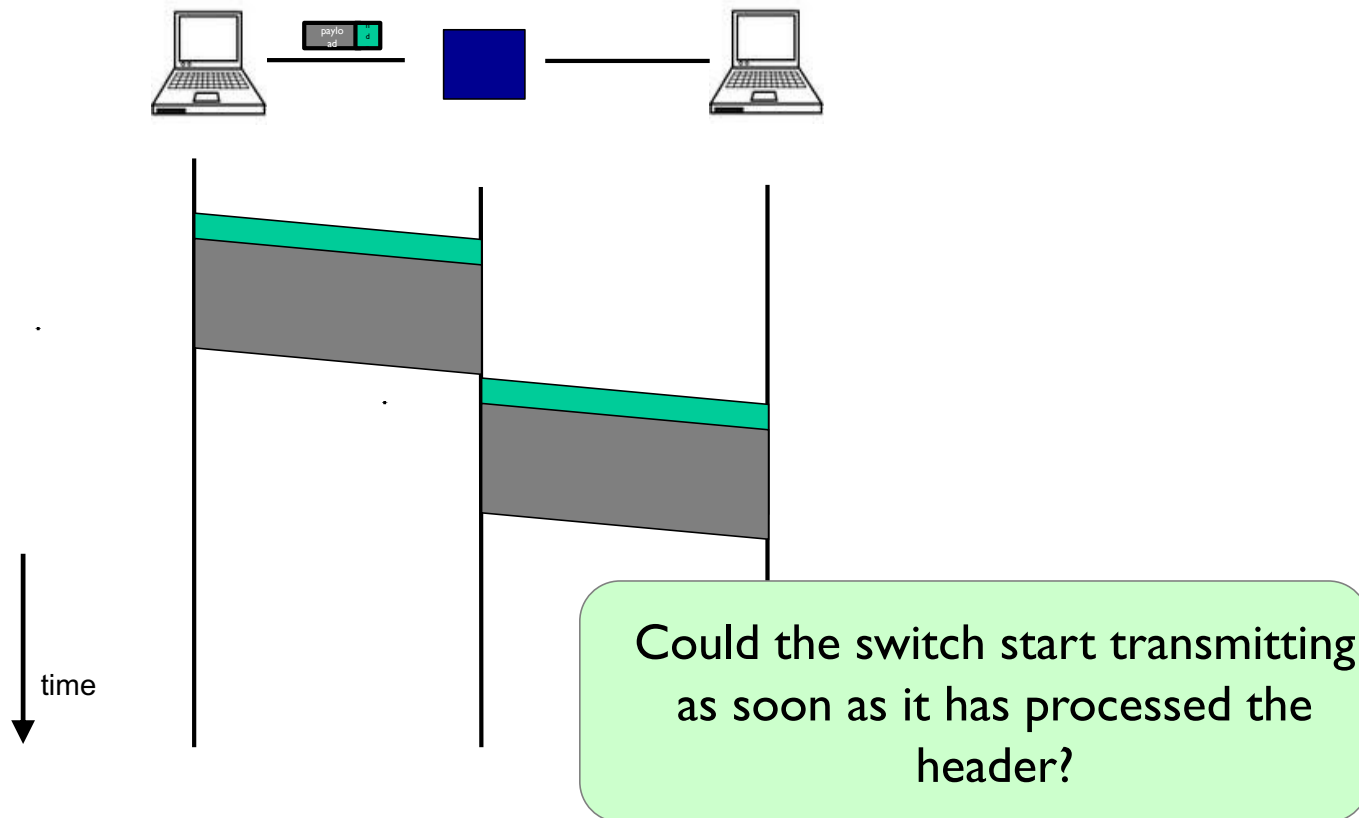
Peek ahead: Two key network-core functions



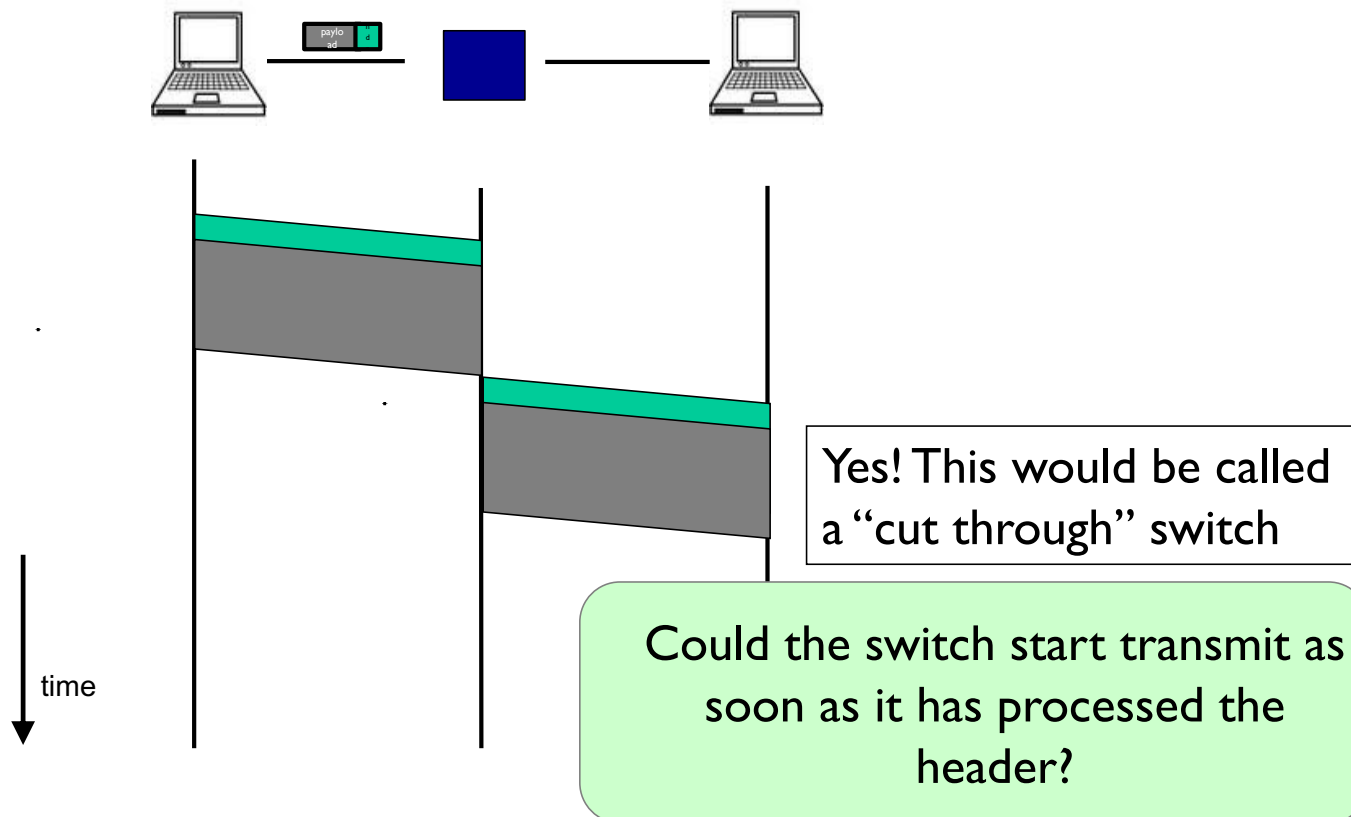
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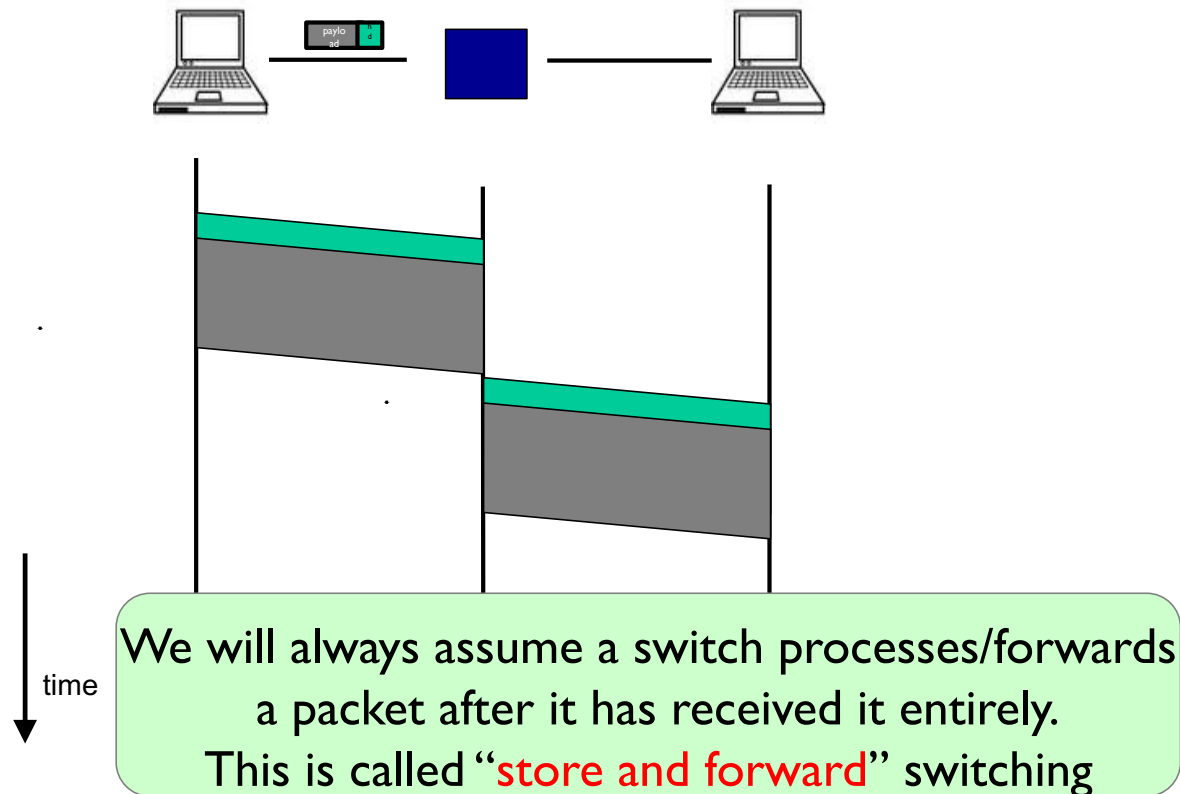
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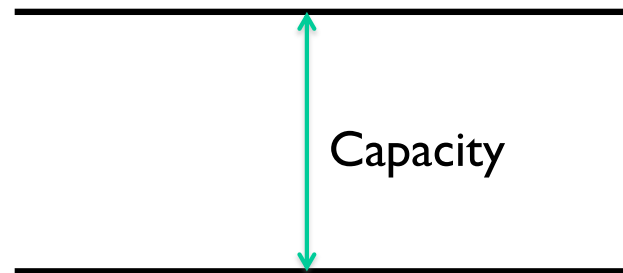
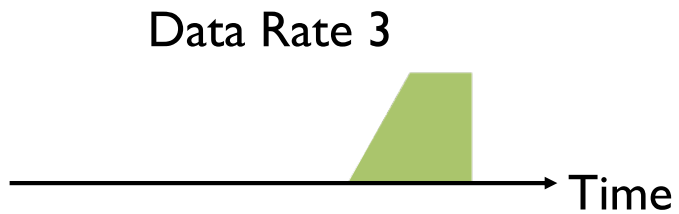
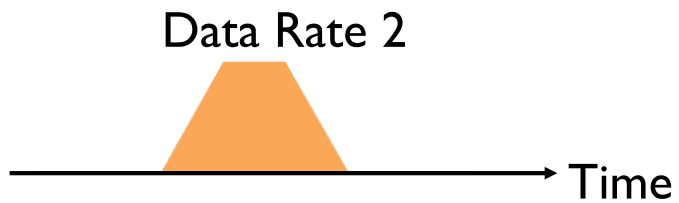
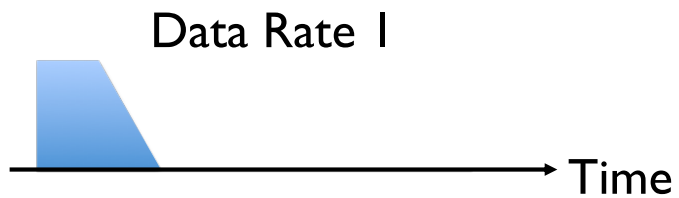
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- ❖ Each packet travels independently
 - no notion of packets belonging to a “circuit”

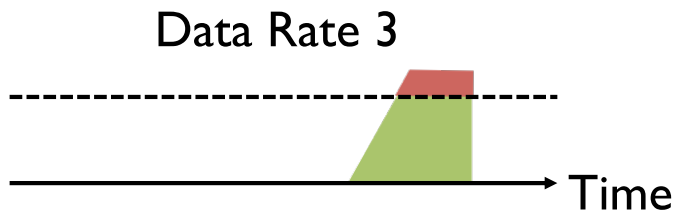
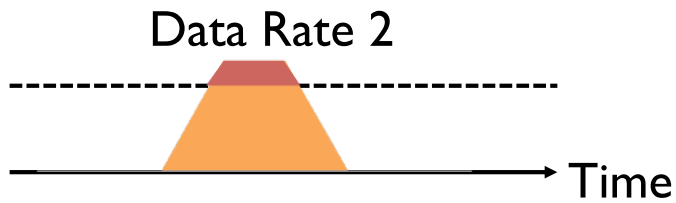
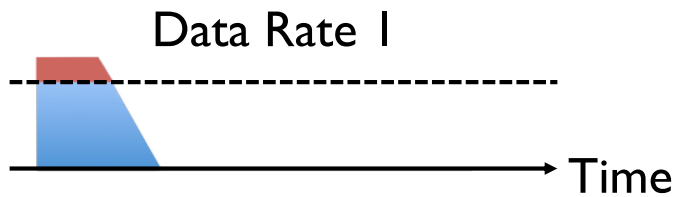
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- ❖ No link resources are reserved. Instead, packet switching leverages **statistical multiplexing**

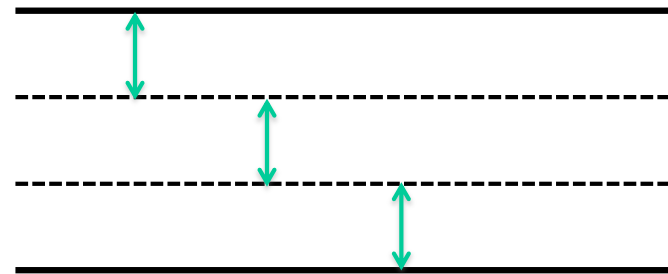
Three Flows with Bursty Traffic



When Each Flow Gets 1/3rd of Capacity



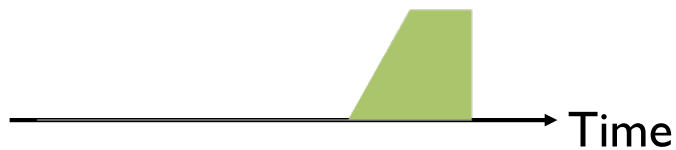
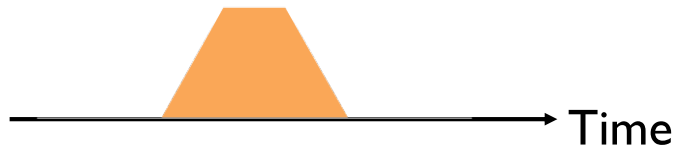
like circuit switching



Overloaded

When Flows Share Total Capacity

packet switching

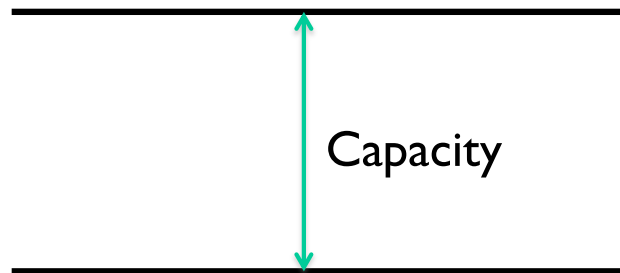
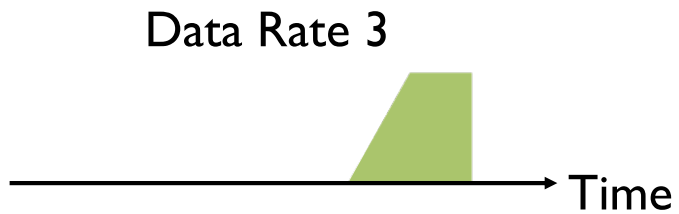
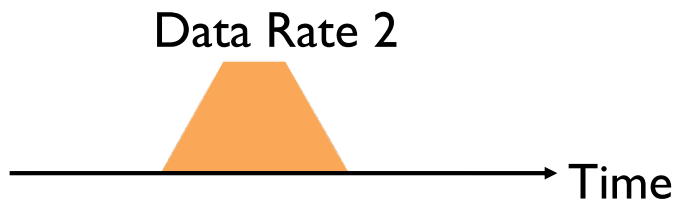
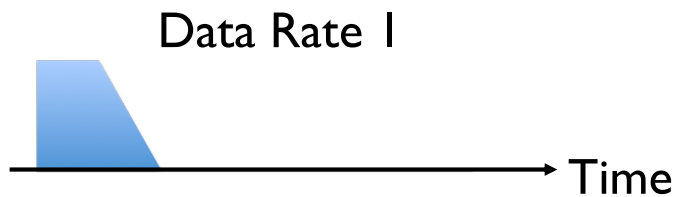


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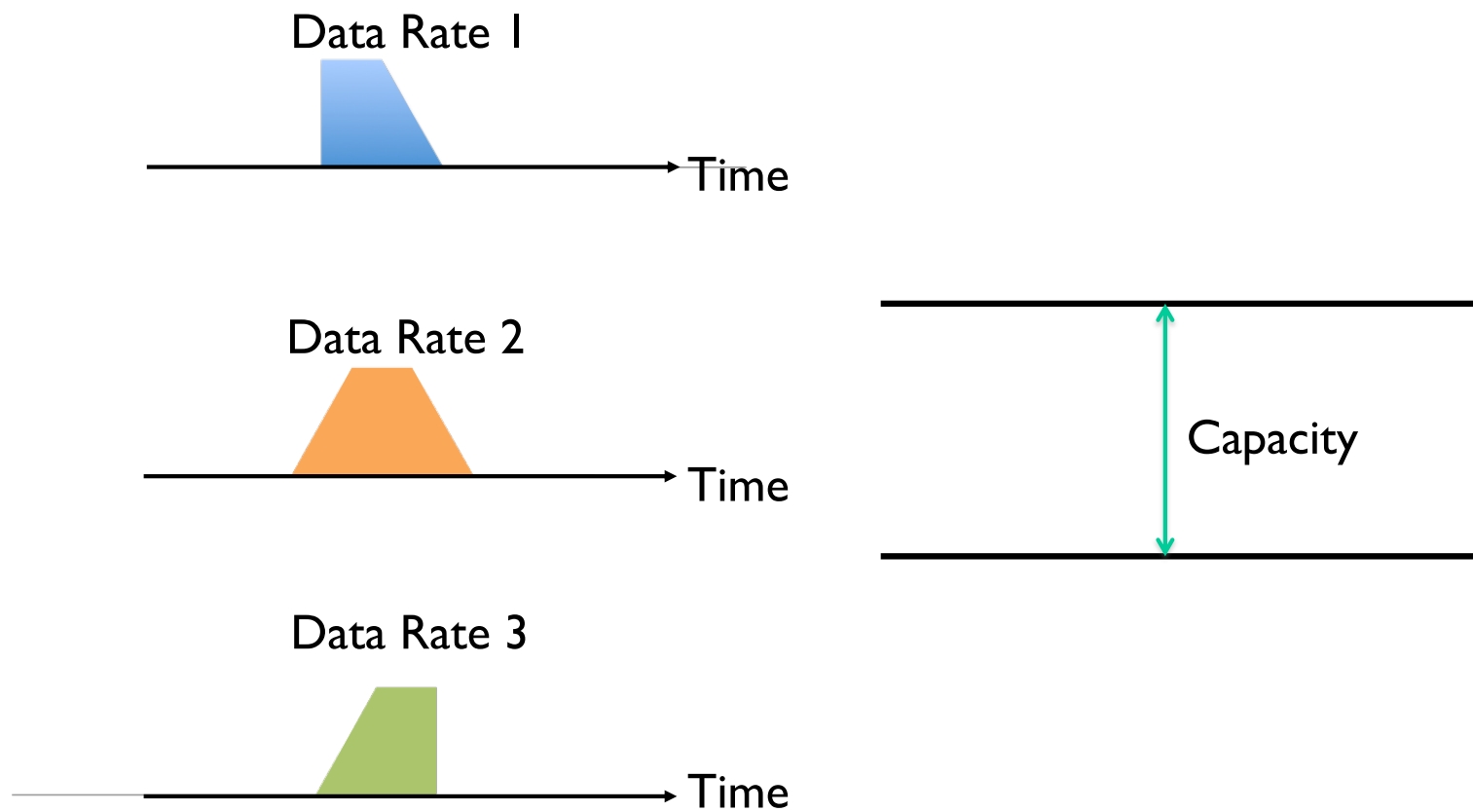
Statistical multiplexing relies on the assumption that not all flows burst at the same time

Very similar to insurance, and has same failure case

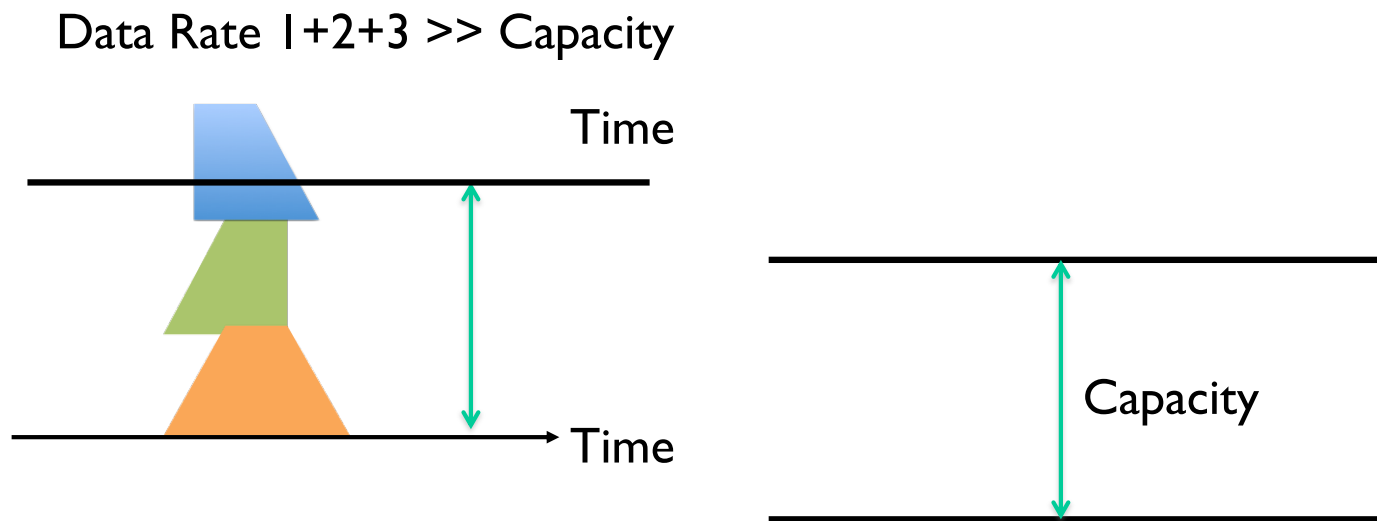
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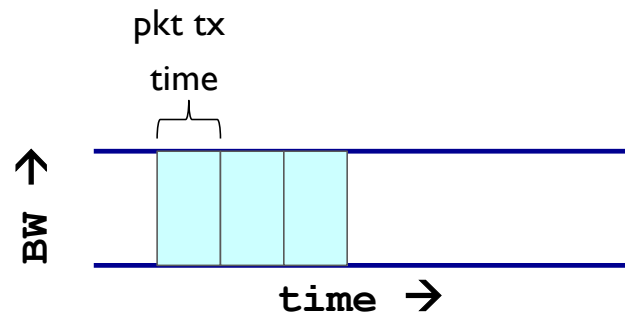


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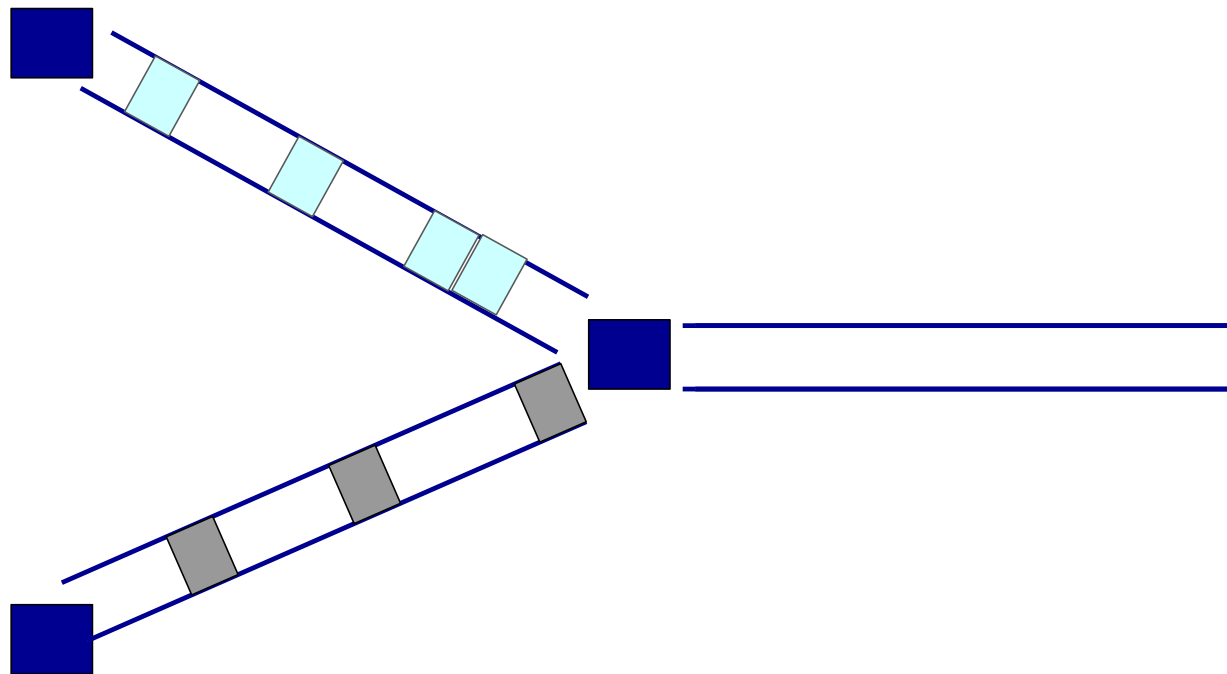


What do we do under overload?

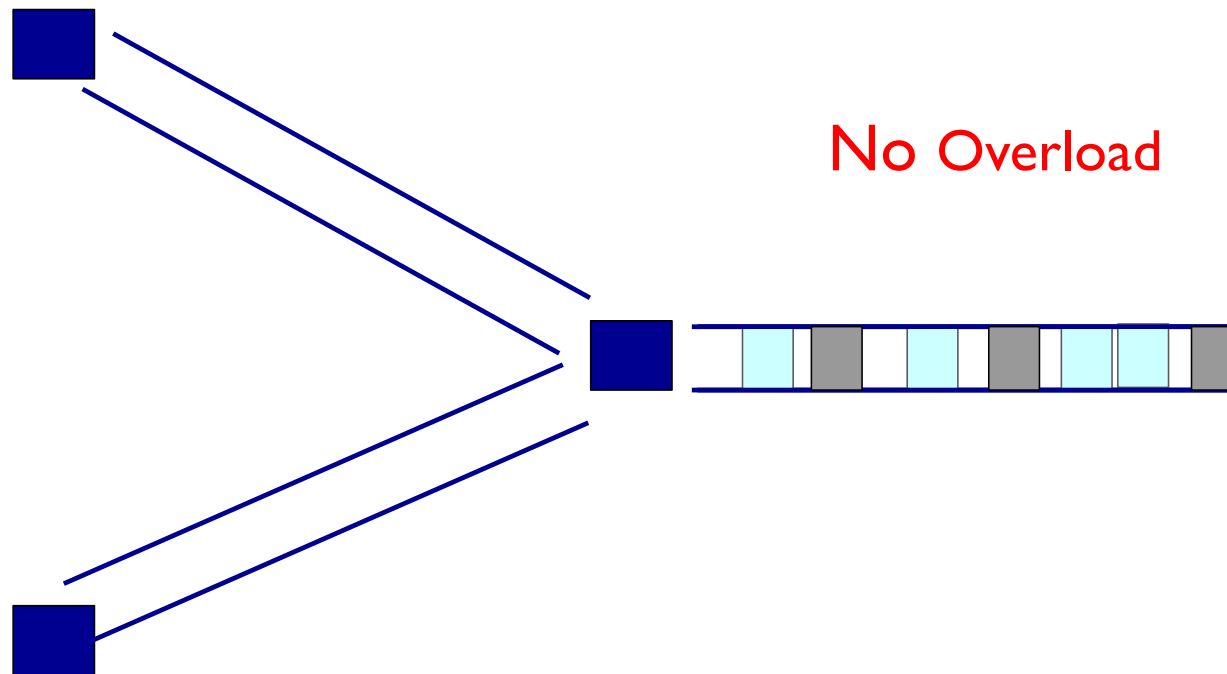
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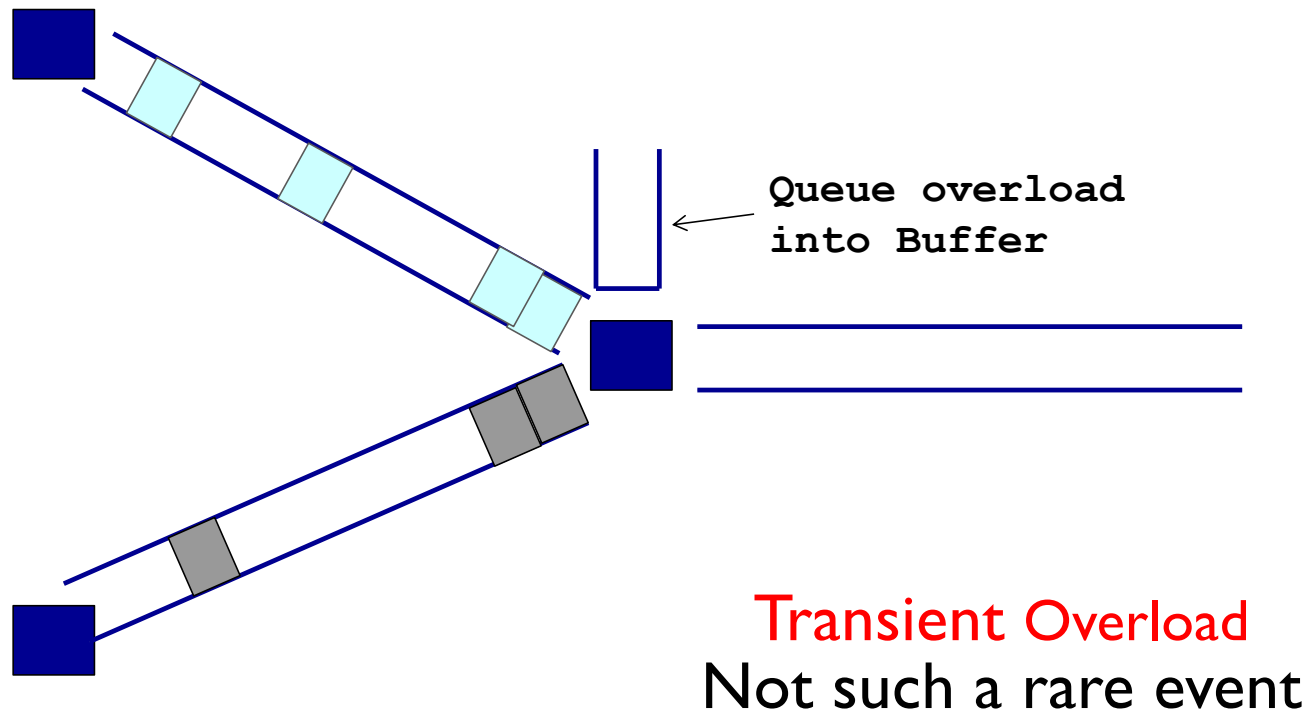
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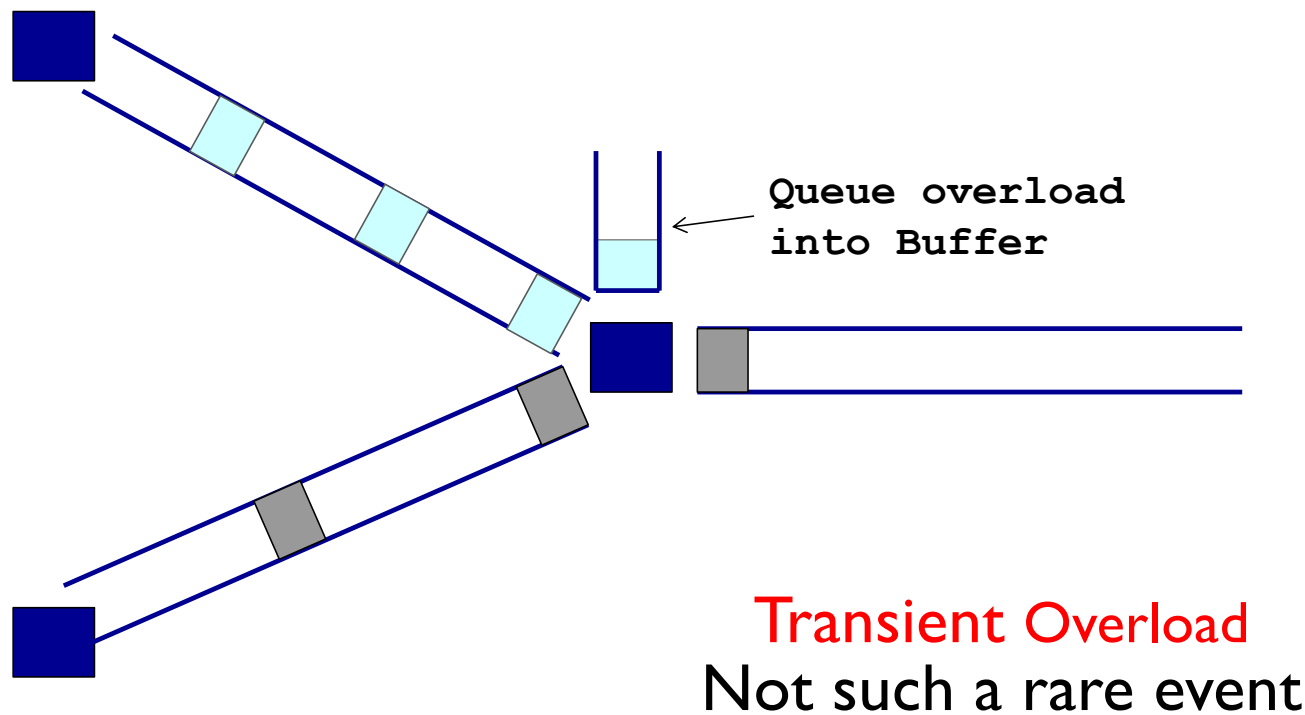
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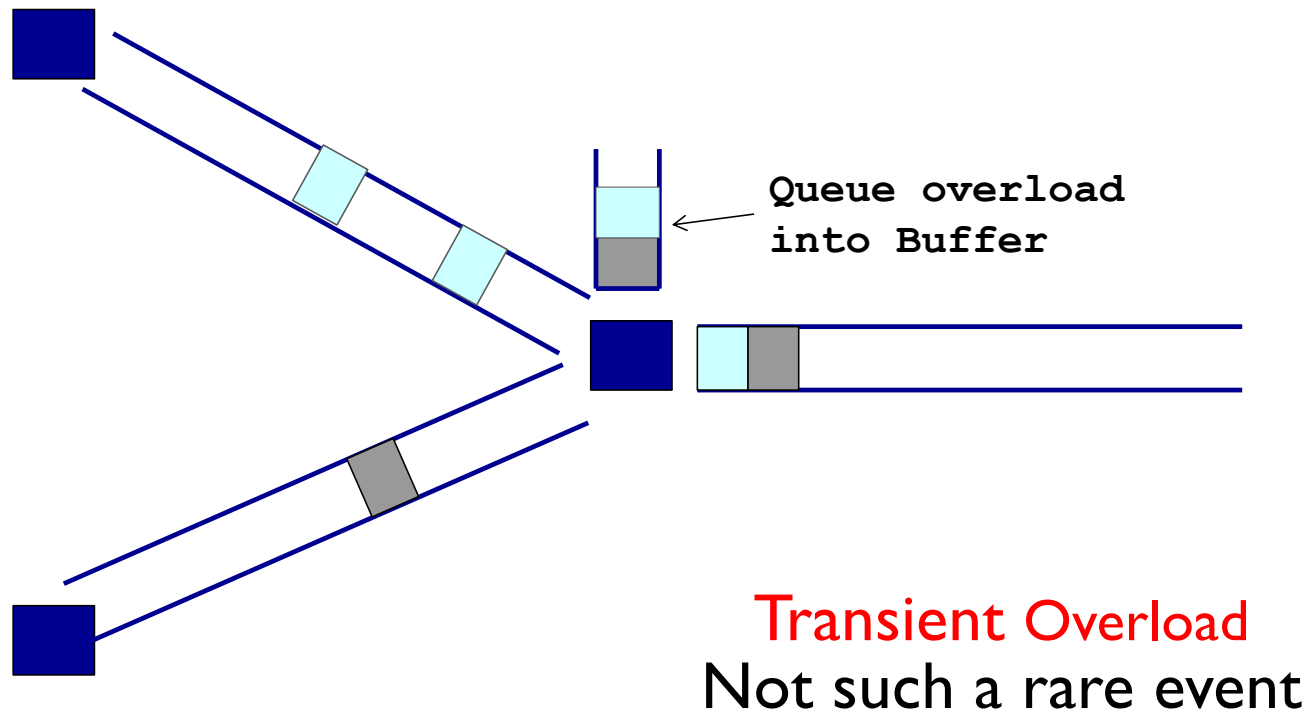
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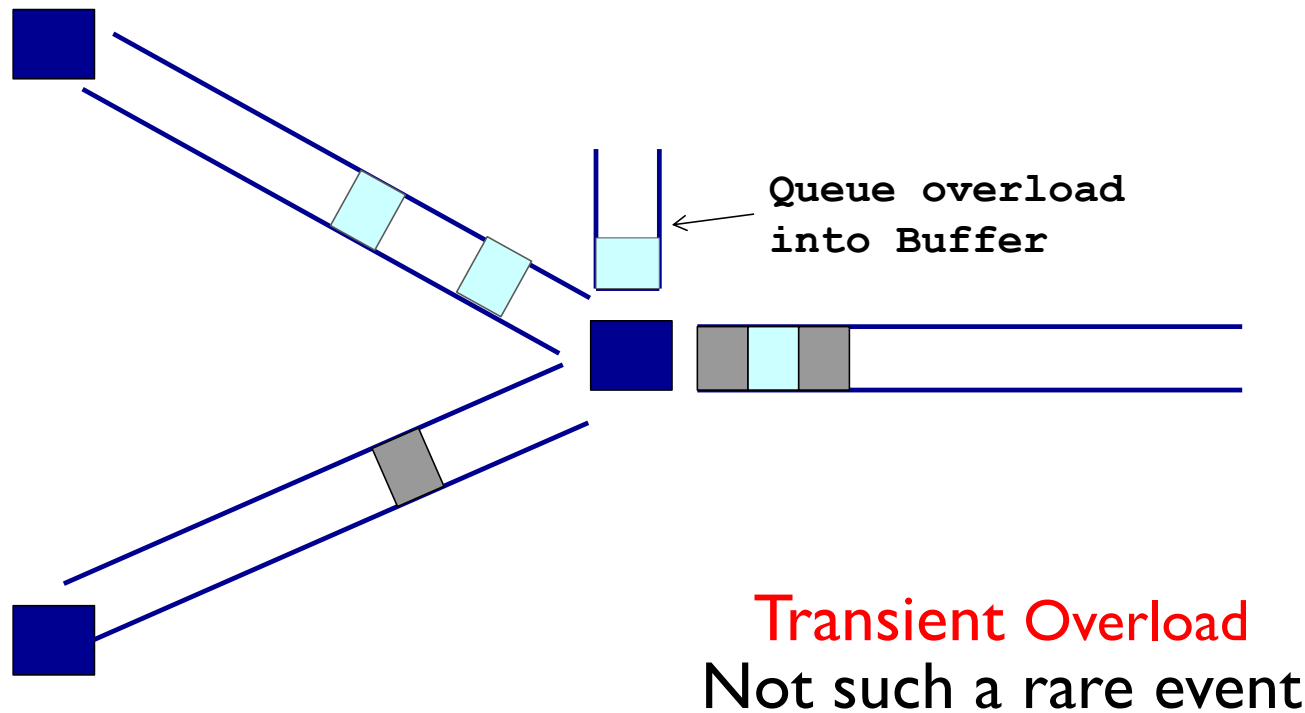
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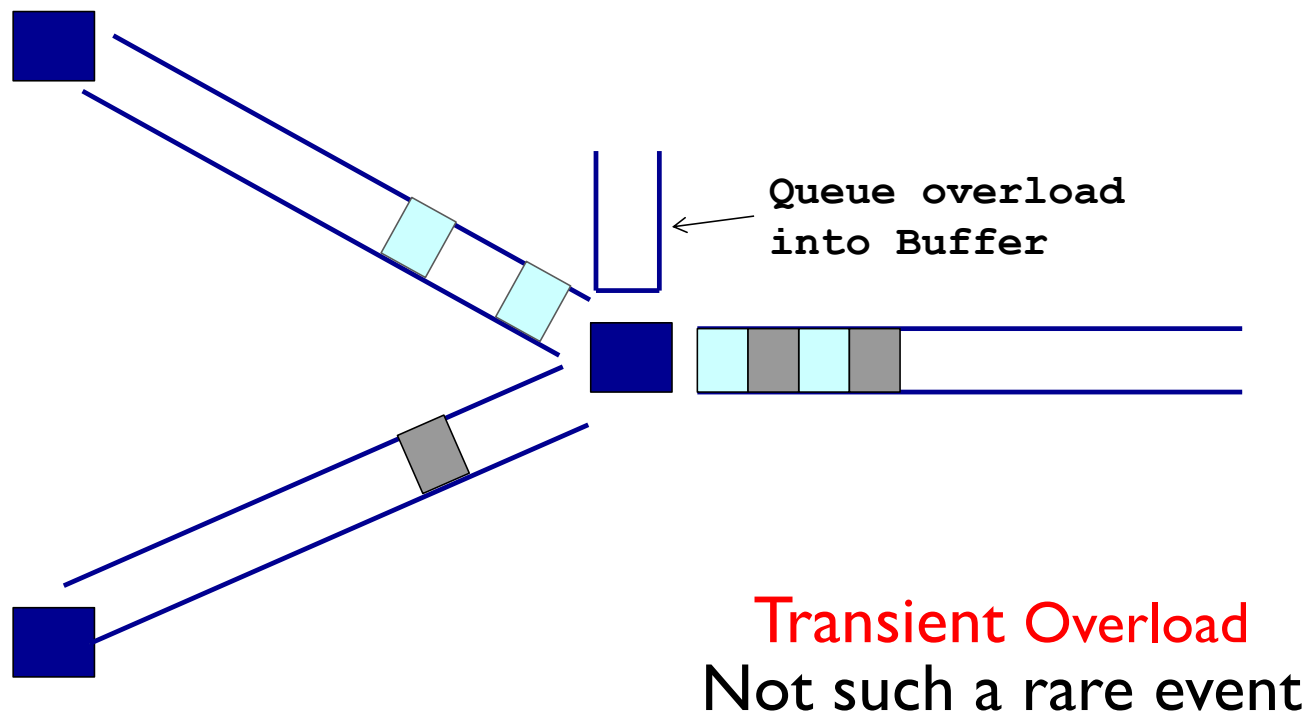
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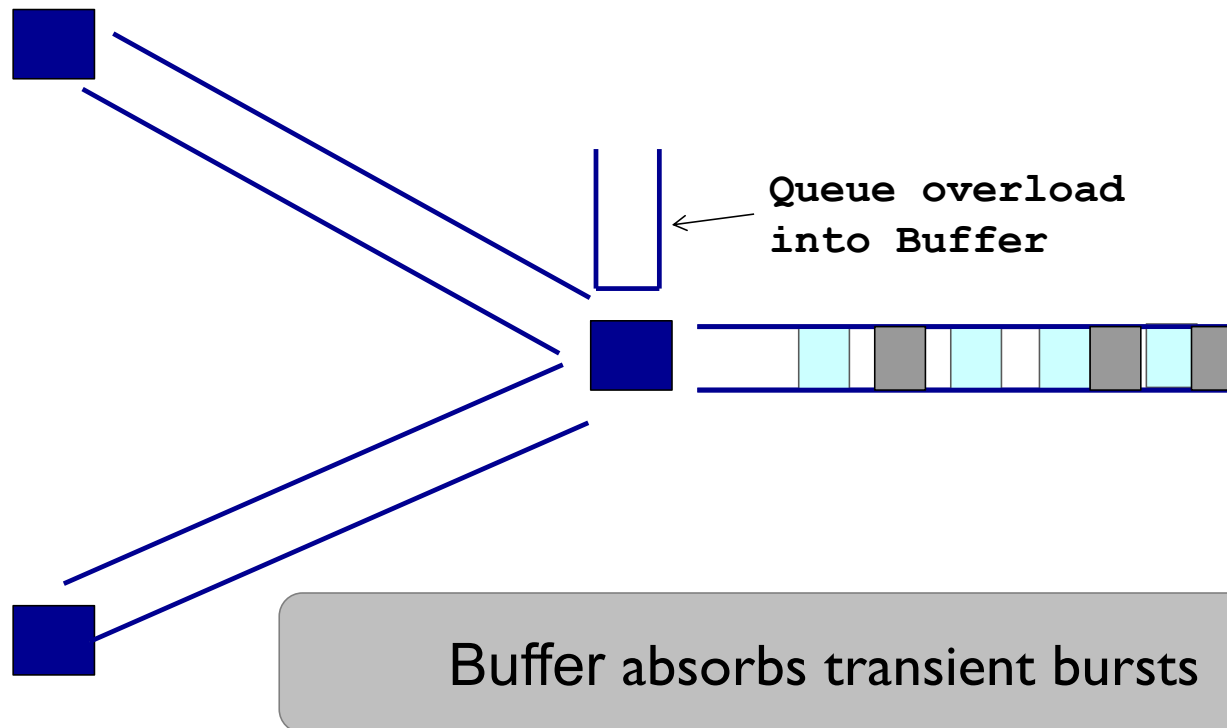
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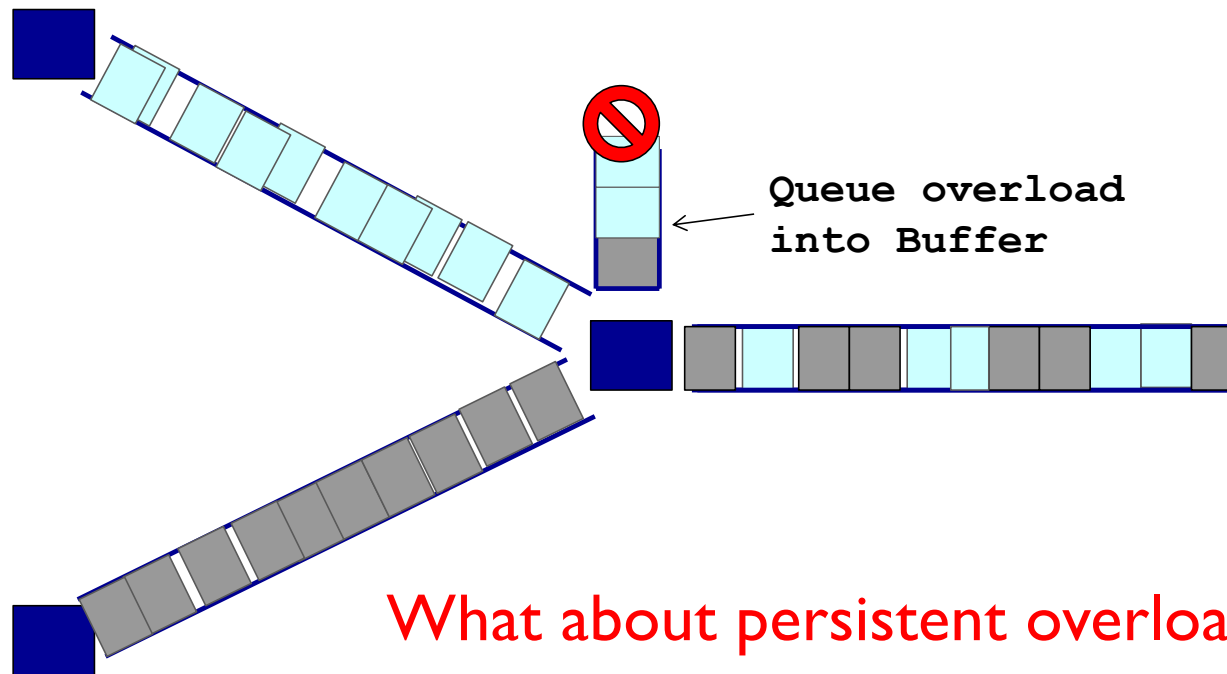
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What about persistent overload?

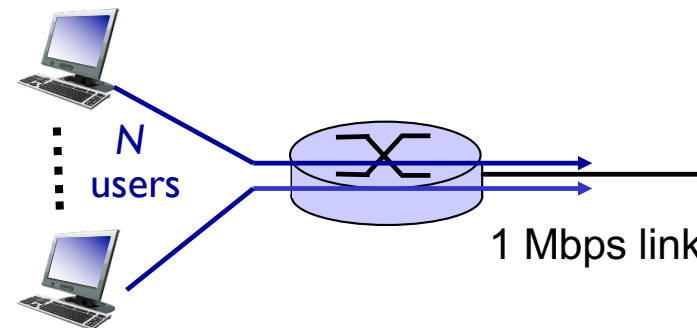
Will eventually drop packets

Packet switching versus circuit switching

packet switching allows more users to use network!

example:

- 1 Mb/s link
- each user:
 - 100 kb/s when “active”
 - 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 say 70?

Hint: Bernoulli Trials and Binomial Distribution

Binomial Probability Distribution

- ❖ A fixed number of observations (trials), n
 - E.g., 5 tosses of a coin
- ❖ Binary random variable
 - E.g., head or tail in a coin toss
 - Often called as success or failure
 - Probability of success is p and failure is $(1-p)$
- ❖ Constant probability for each observation

Binomial Distribution: Example

- ❖ Q: What is the probability of observing exactly 3 heads in a sequence of 5 coin tosses
- ❖ A:
 - One way to get exactly 3 heads is: HHHTT
 - Probability of this sequence occurring = $(1/2) \times (1/2) \times (1/2) \times (1-1/2) \times (1-1/2)$
= $(1/2)^5$

 - Another way to get exactly 3 heads is: THHHT
 - Probability of this sequence occurring = $(1-1/2) \times (1/2) \times (1/2) \times (1/2) \times (1-1/2)$
= $(1/2)^5$

 - How many such unique combinations exist?

Binomial Distribution: Example

$\binom{5}{3}$ ways to arrange 3 heads in 5 trials

Outcome	Probability
THHHT	$(1/2)^3 \times (1/2)^2$
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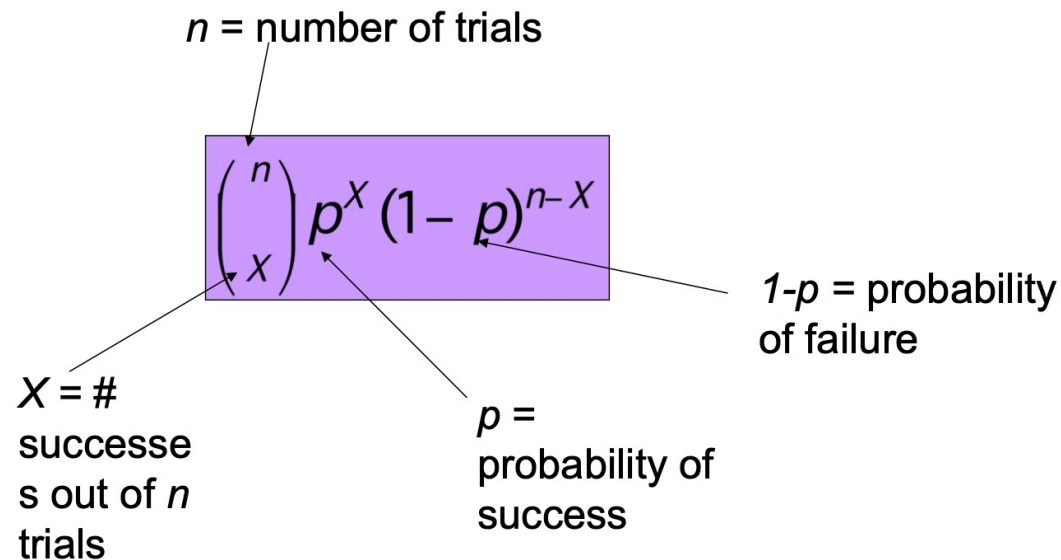
The probability of each unique outcome (note: they are all equal)

${}^5C_3 = 5!/3!2! = 10$

$$P(3 \text{ heads and } 2 \text{ tails}) = 10 \times (1/2)^5 = 0.3125$$

Binomial Distribution

Note the general pattern emerging → if you have only two possible outcomes (call them 1/0 or yes/no or success/failure) in n independent trials, then the probability of exactly X “successes”=



Packet switching versus circuit switching

- ❖ Let's revisit the earlier problem
- ❖ $N = 35$ users
- ❖ $\text{Prob}(\# \text{ active users} > 10) = 1 - \frac{\text{Prob}(\# \text{ active} = 10)}{\text{Prob}(\# \text{ active} = 9) + \text{Prob}(\# \text{ active} = 8) + \dots + \text{Prob}(\# \text{ active} = 0)}$

where $\text{Prob}(\# \text{ active} = 10) = C(35, 10) \times 0.1^{10} \times 0.9^{25}$

- ❖ $\text{Prob}(\# \text{ active users} > 10) = 0.0004$ (approx)

Packet switching versus circuit switching

Is packet switching a “slam dunk winner”?

- great for “bursty” data – sometimes has data to send, but at other times not
 - resource sharing
 - simpler, no call setup
- **excessive congestion possible:** packet delay and loss due to buffer overflow
 - protocols needed for reliable data transfer, congestion control
- **Q: How to provide circuit-like behavior?**
 - bandwidth guarantees traditionally used for audio/video applications

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



Quiz: Switching

In _____ resources are allocated on demand

- A. Packet switching
- B. Circuit switching
- C. Both
- D. None

Answer: A

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Quiz: Switching

A message from device A to B consists of packet X and packet Y. In a circuit switched network, packet Y's path _____ packet X's path

- A. is the same
- B. is independent
- C. is always different from

Answer: A

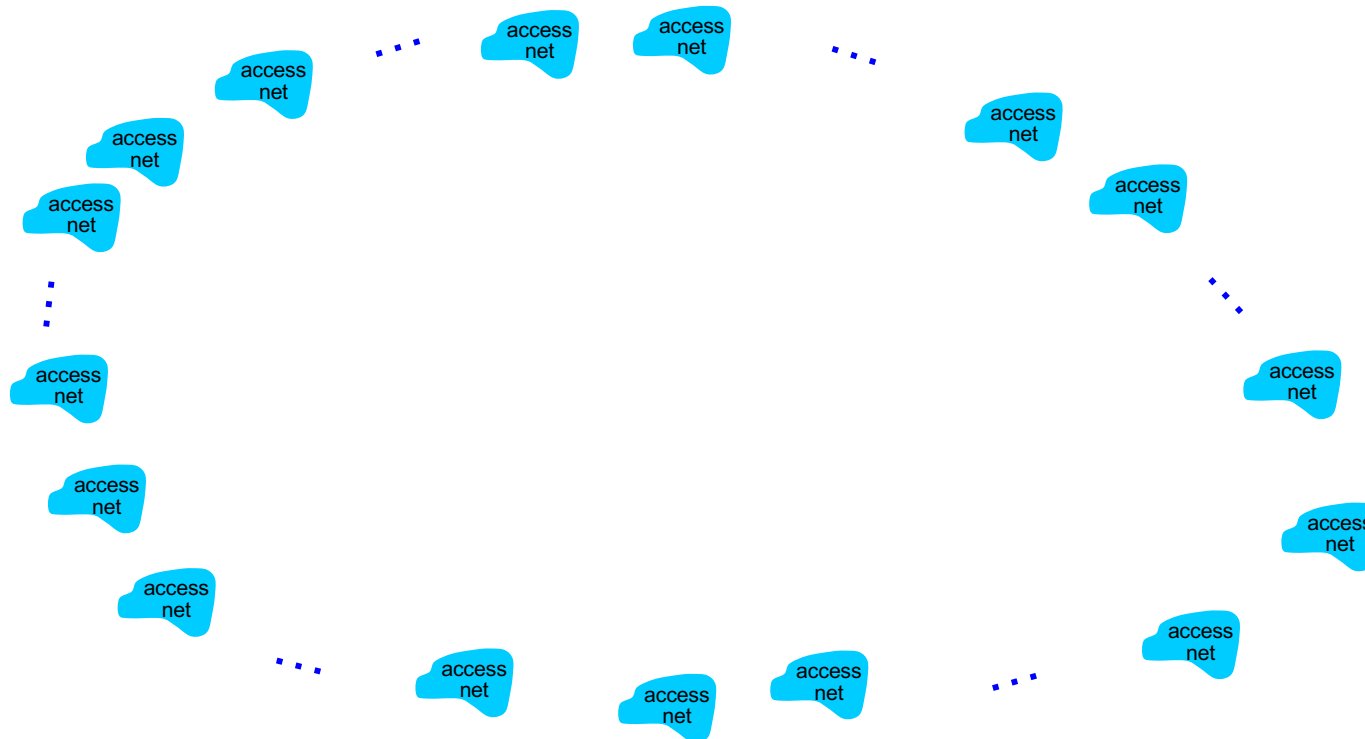
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Internet structure: a “network of networks”

- ❖ Hosts connect to Internet via **access** Internet Service Providers (ISPs)
 - residential, enterprise (company, university, commercial) 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

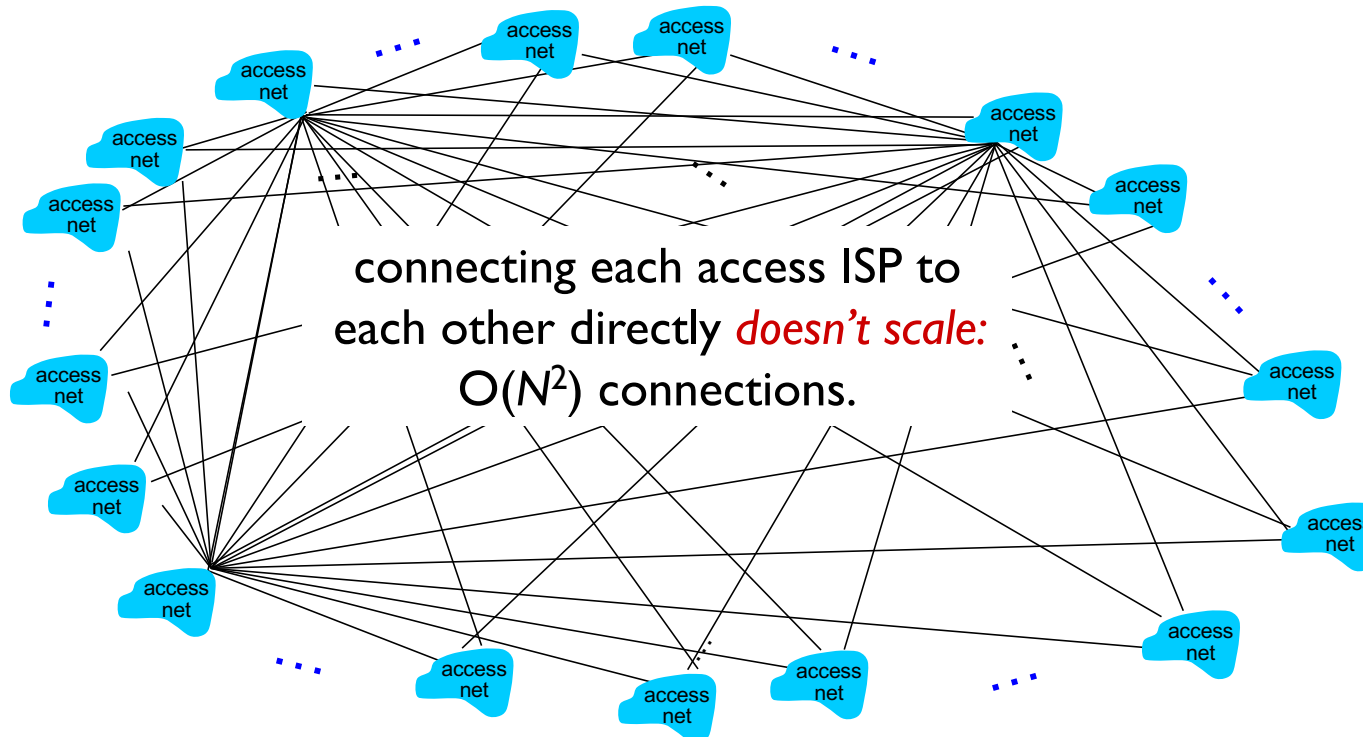
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Question: given *millions* of access ISPs, how to connect them together?



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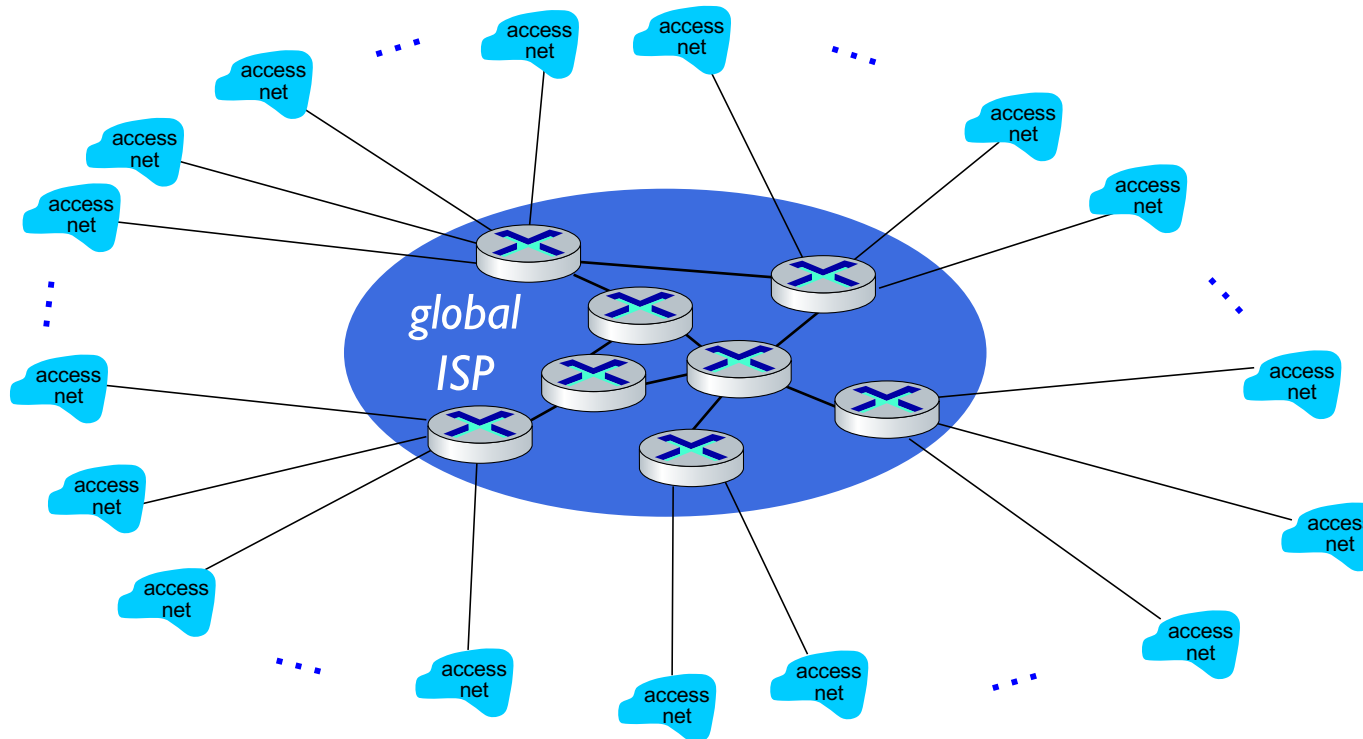
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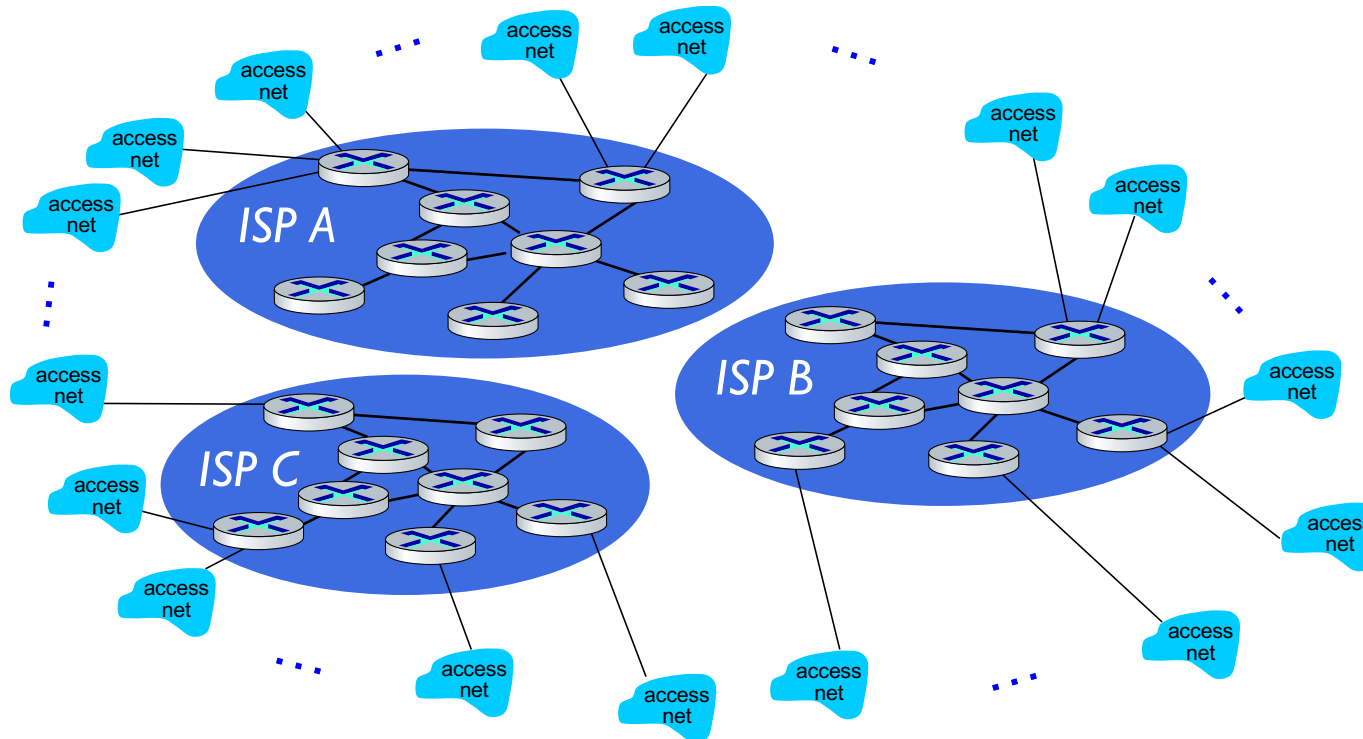
Option: connect each access ISP to one global transit ISP?

Customer and provider ISPs have economic agreement.



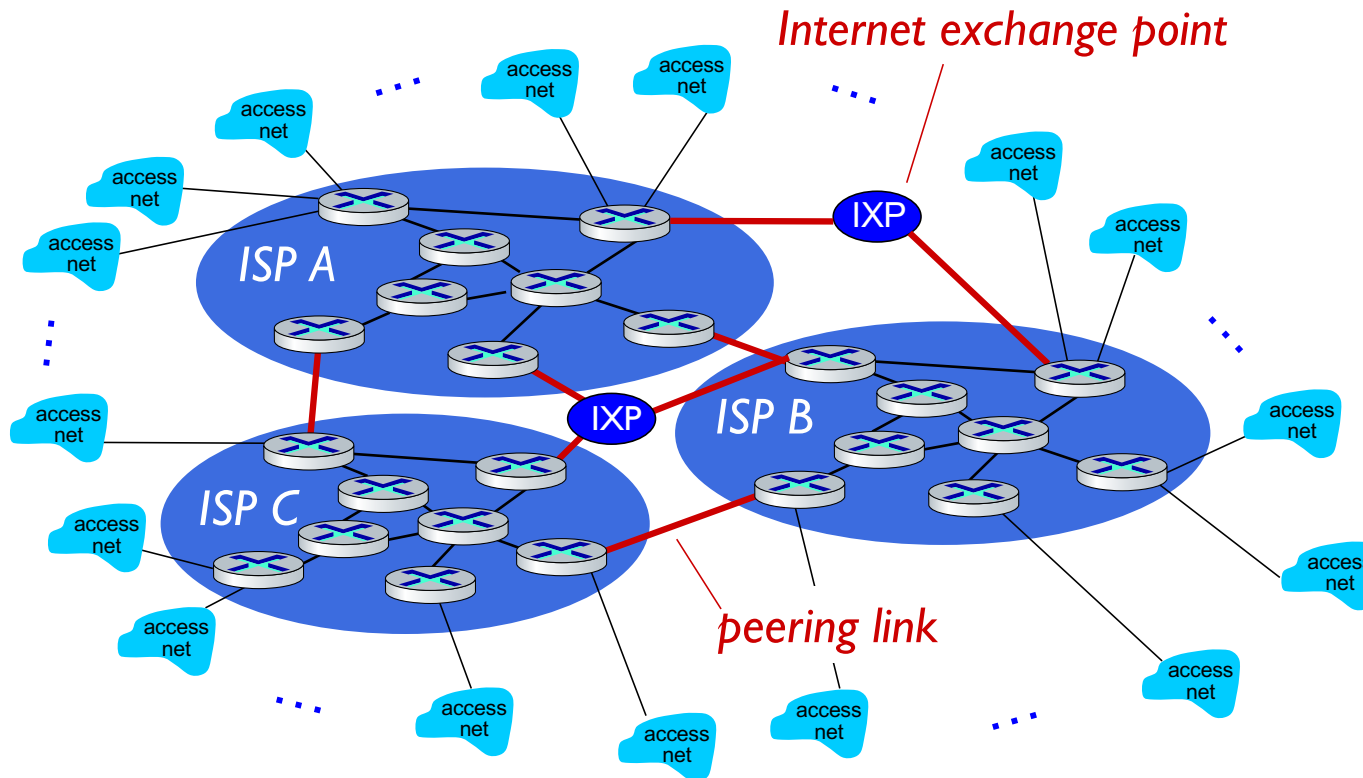
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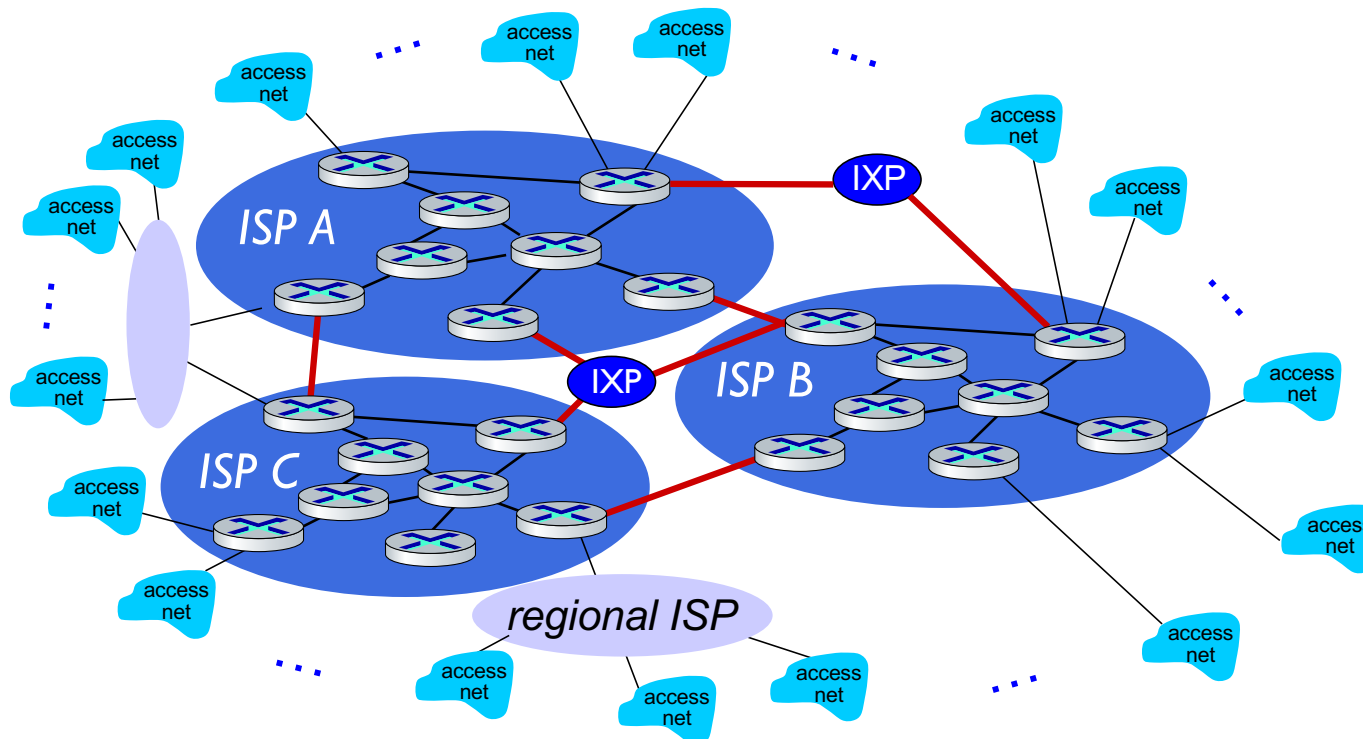
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But if one global ISP is viable business, there will be competitors who will want to be connected



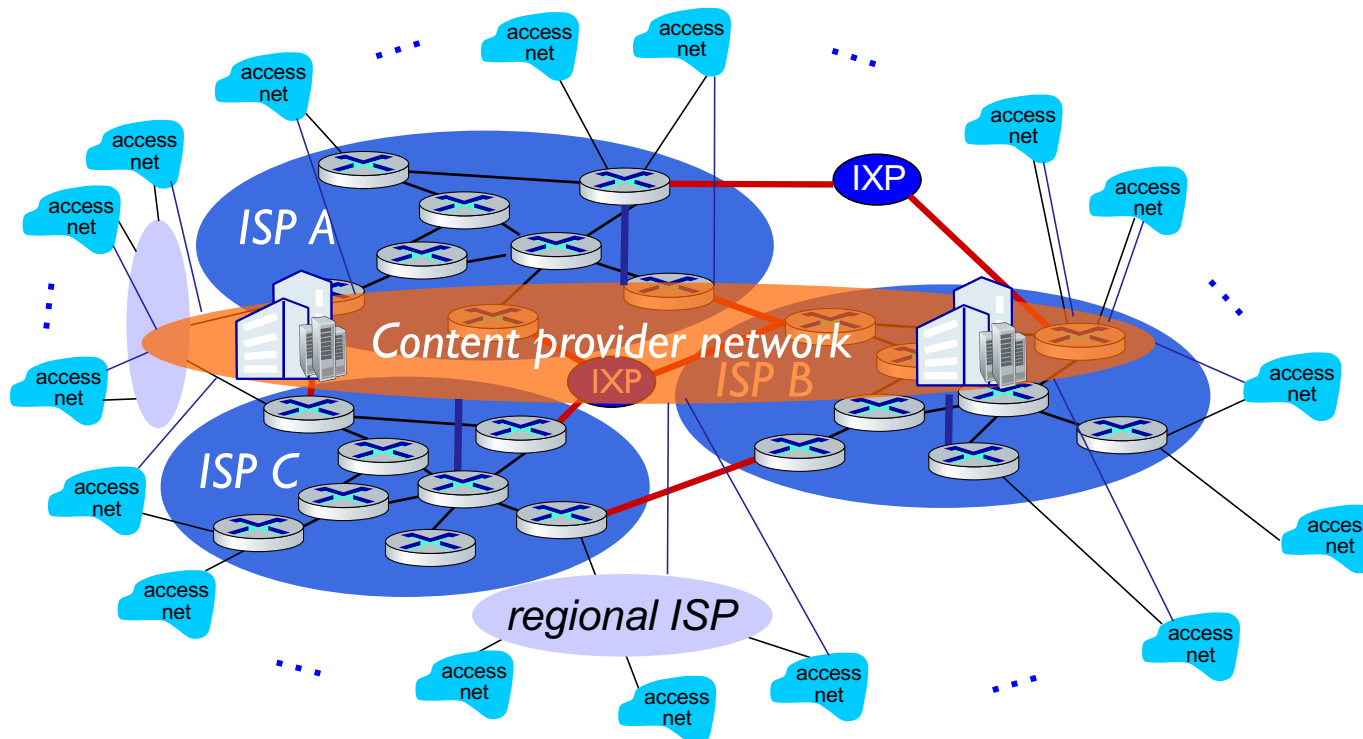
Internet structure: a “network of networks”

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

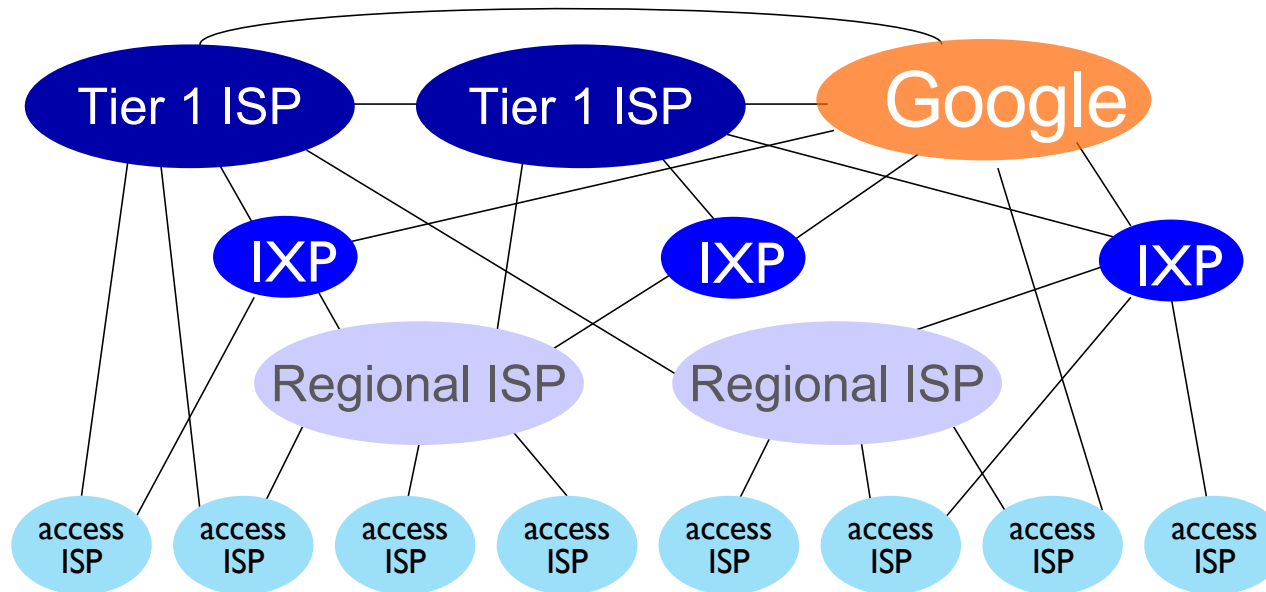


Internet structure: a “network of networks”

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



Internet structure: a “network of networks”



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 networks** (e.g., Google, Facebook): private network that connects its data centers to Internet, often bypassing tier-1, regional ISPs

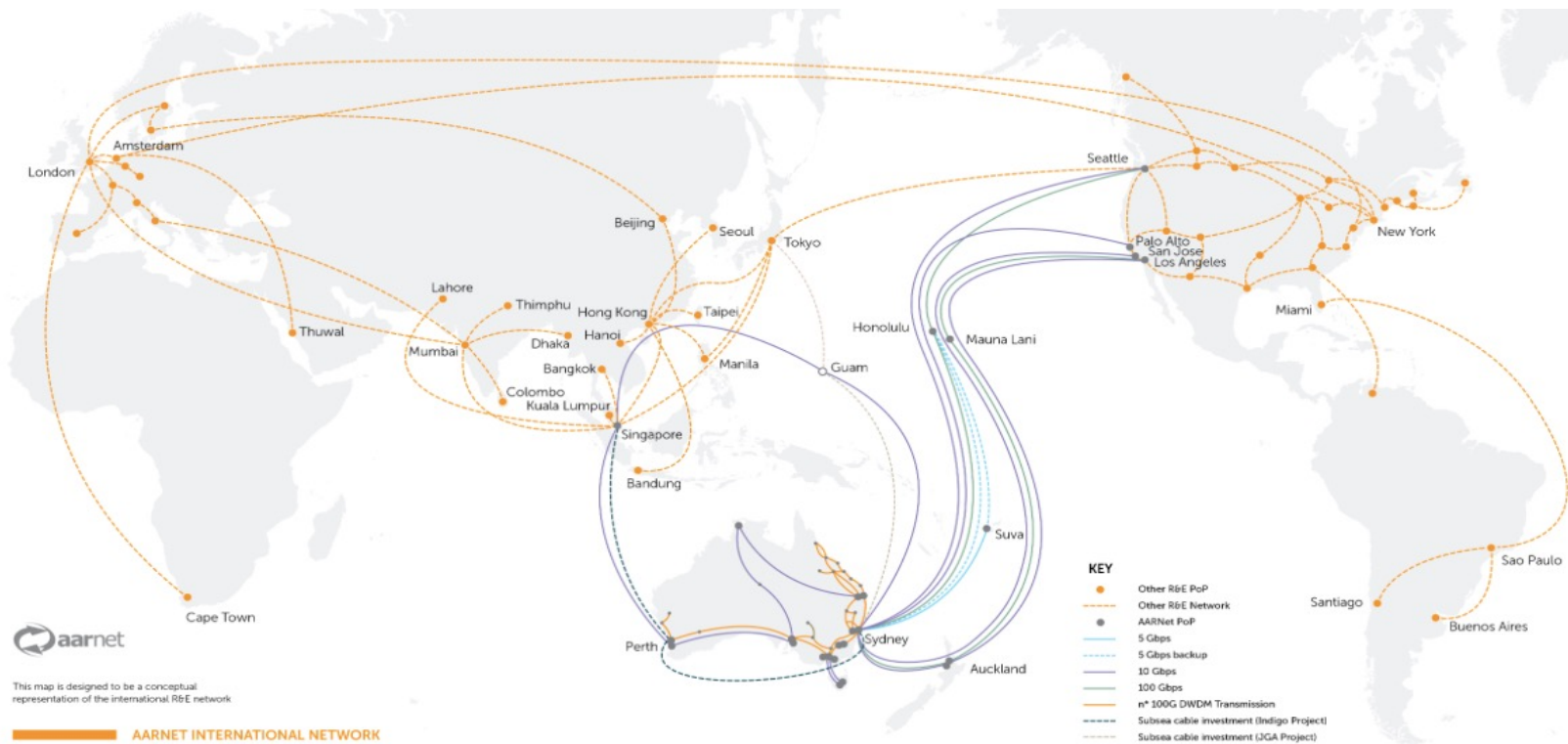
Tier-1 ISP Network map: Sprint (2019)



AARNET: Australia's Academic and Research Network

<https://www.aarnet.edu.au/>

<https://www.submarinecablemap.com>



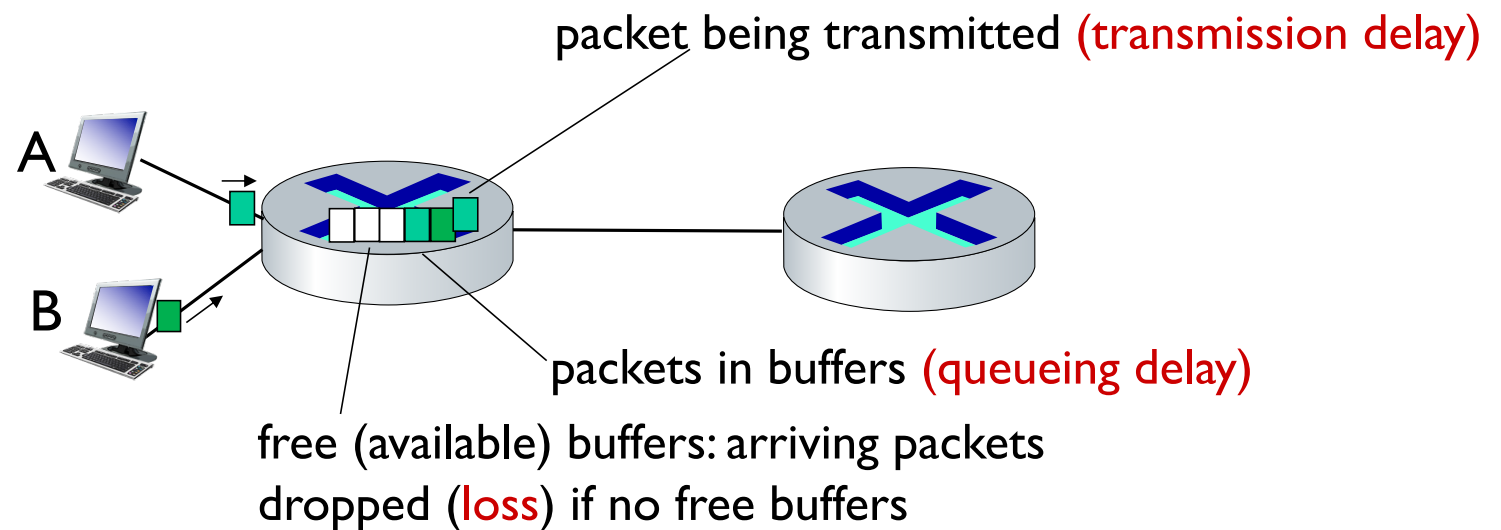
Introduction: roadmap

- ❖ What *is* the Internet?
- ❖ What *is* a protocol?
- ❖ Network edge: hosts, access network, physical media
- ❖ Network core: packet/circuit switching, internet structure
- ❖ **Performance: loss, delay, throughput**
- ❖ Security
- ❖ Protocol layers, service models
- ❖ History

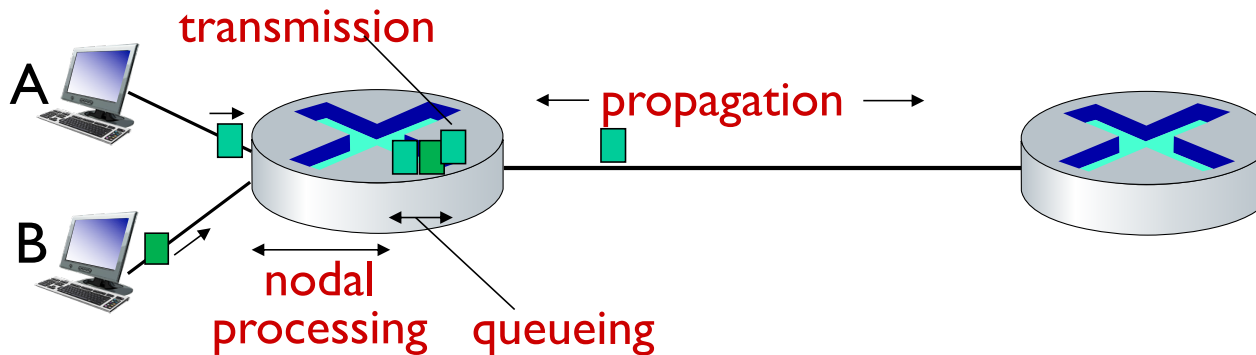
How do packet loss and delay occur?

packets *queue* in router buffers

- packets queue, wait for turn
- arrival rate to link (temporarily) exceeds output link capacity: packet loss



Packet delay: four sources



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

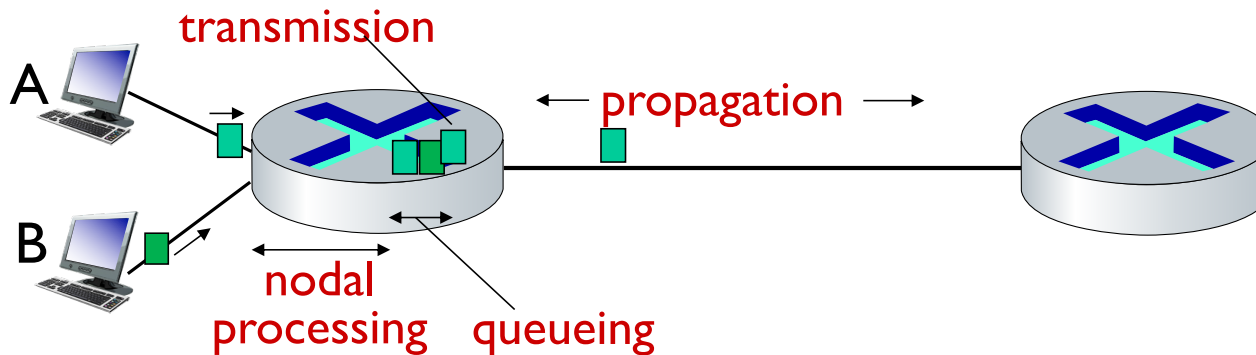
d_{proc} : nodal processing

- check bit errors
- determine output link
- typically < msec

d_{queue} : queueing delay

- time waiting at output link for transmission
- depends on congestion level of router

Packet delay: four sources



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

d_{trans} : transmission delay:

- L : packet length (bits)
- R : link transmission rate (bps)

▪ $d_{\text{trans}} = L/R$

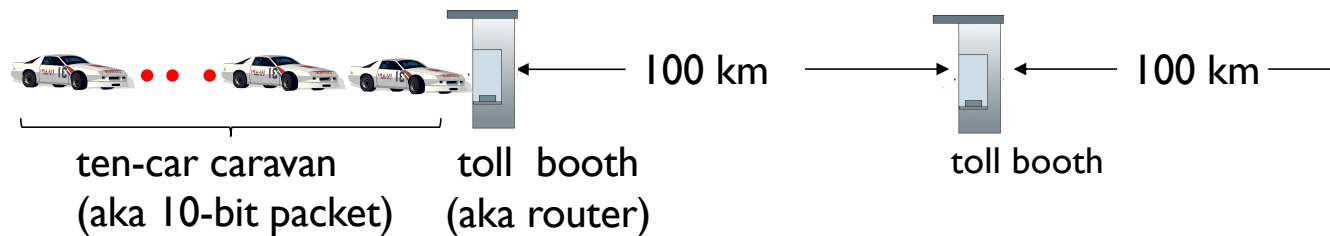
d_{prop} : propagation delay:

- d : length of physical link
- s : propagation speed ($\sim 2 \times 10^8$ m/sec)

▪ $d_{\text{prop}} = d/s$

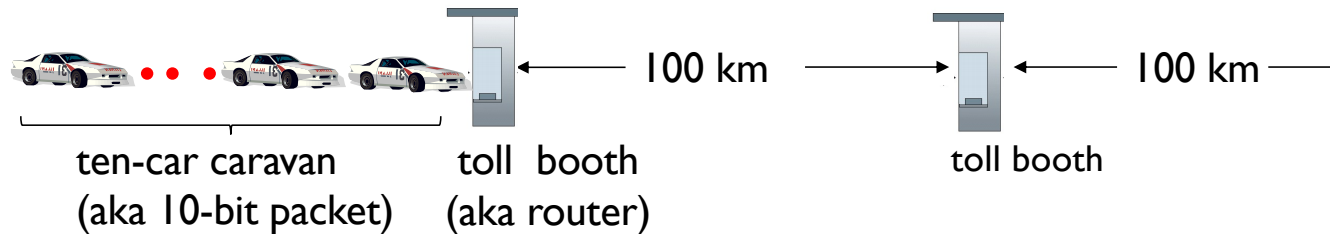
d_{trans} and d_{prop}
very different

Caravan analogy



- cars “propagate” at 100 km/hr
- toll booth takes 12 sec to service car (bit transmission time)
- car ~ bit; caravan ~ packet
- **Q: How long until caravan is lined up before 2nd toll booth?**
- time to “push” entire caravan through toll booth onto highway = $12 * 10 = 120$ sec
- time for last car to propagate from 1st to 2nd toll booth: $100\text{km} / (100\text{km/hr}) = 1$ hr
- **A: 62 minutes**

Caravan analogy

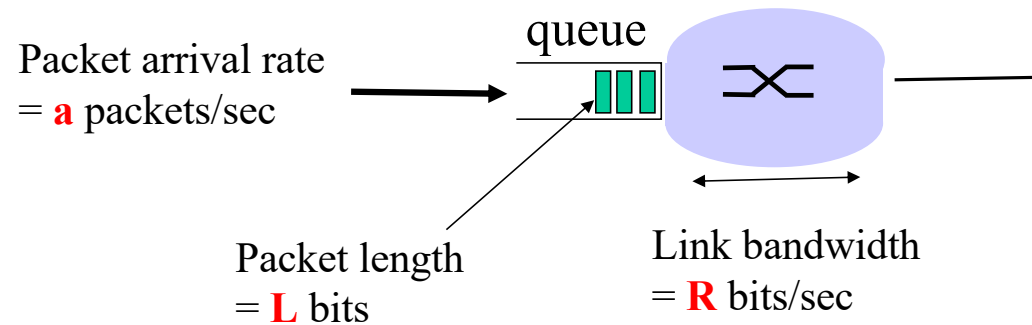


- suppose cars now “propagate” at 1000 km/hr
- and suppose toll booth now takes one min to service a car
- **Q: Will cars arrive to 2nd booth before all cars serviced at first booth?**

A:Yes! after 7 min, first car arrives at second booth; three cars still at first booth

Interactive Java Applet – Propagation vs transmission delay
<https://www2.tkn.tu-berlin.de/teaching/rn/animations/propagation/>

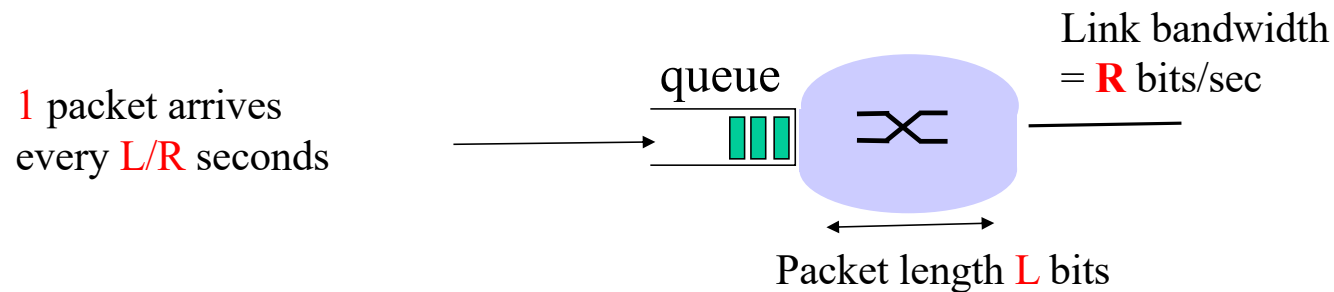
Queueing delay (more insight)



- ❖ Every second: aL bits arrive to queue
- ❖ Every second: R bits leave the router
- ❖ **Question:** what happens if $aL > R$?
- ❖ **Answer:** queue will fill up, and packets will get dropped!!

aL/R is called **traffic intensity**

Queueing delay: One Scenario



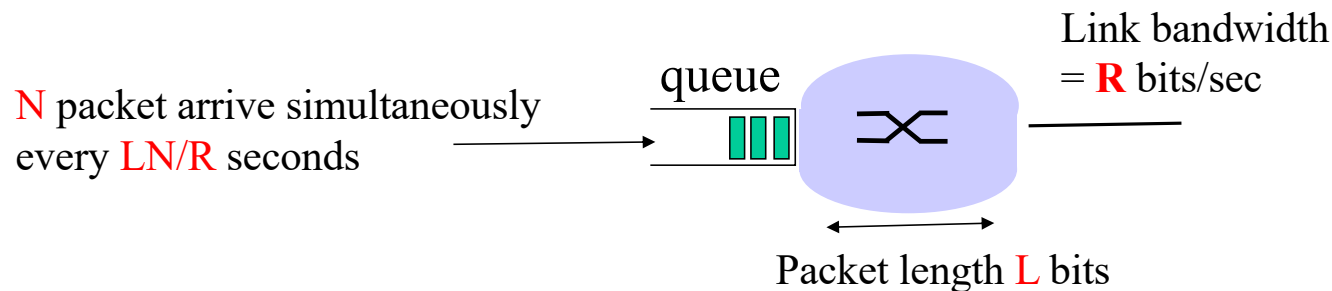
Arrival rate: $a = 1/(L/R) = R/L$ (packet/second)

Traffic intensity = $aL/R = (R/L) (L/R) = 1$

Average queueing delay = 0
(queue is initially empty)



Queueing delay: Another Scenario



Arrival rate: $a = N/(LN/R) = R/L$ packet/second

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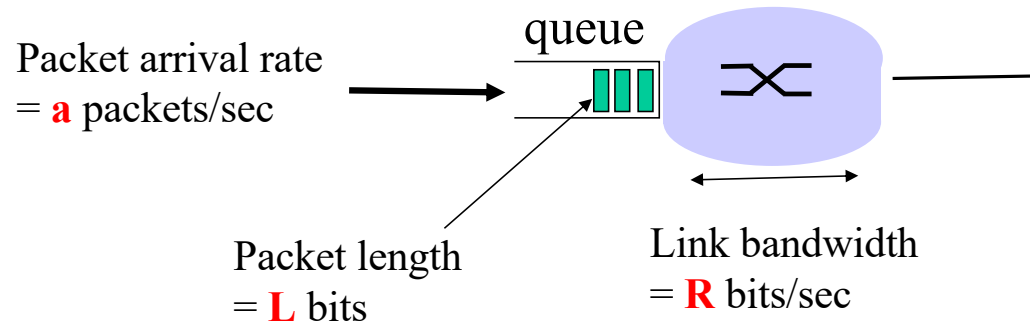
Average queueing delay (queue is empty at time 0) ?

$$\{0 + L/R + 2L/R + \dots + (N-1)L/R\}/N = L/(RN)\{1+2+\dots+(N-1)\} = L(N-1)/(2R)$$

Note: traffic intensity is same as previous scenario, but queueing delay is different

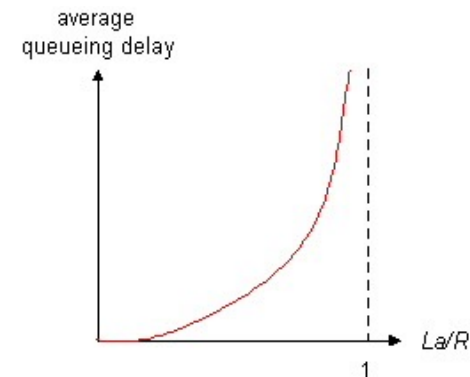


Queueing delay: typical behaviour

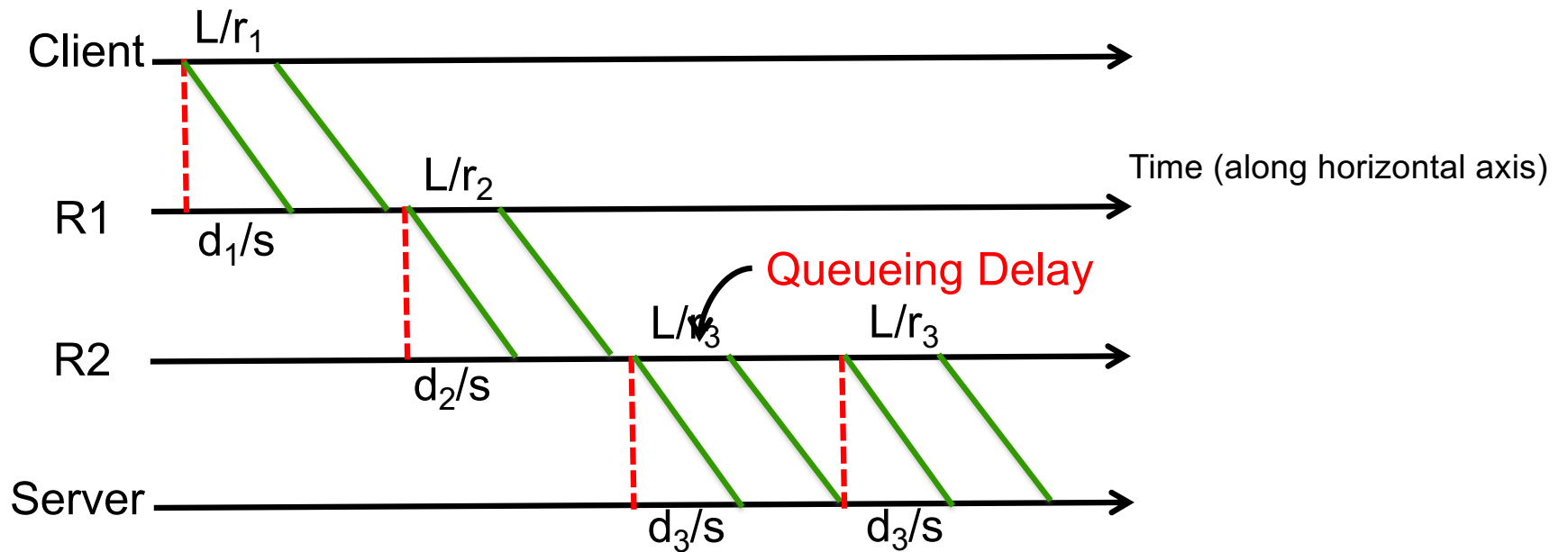
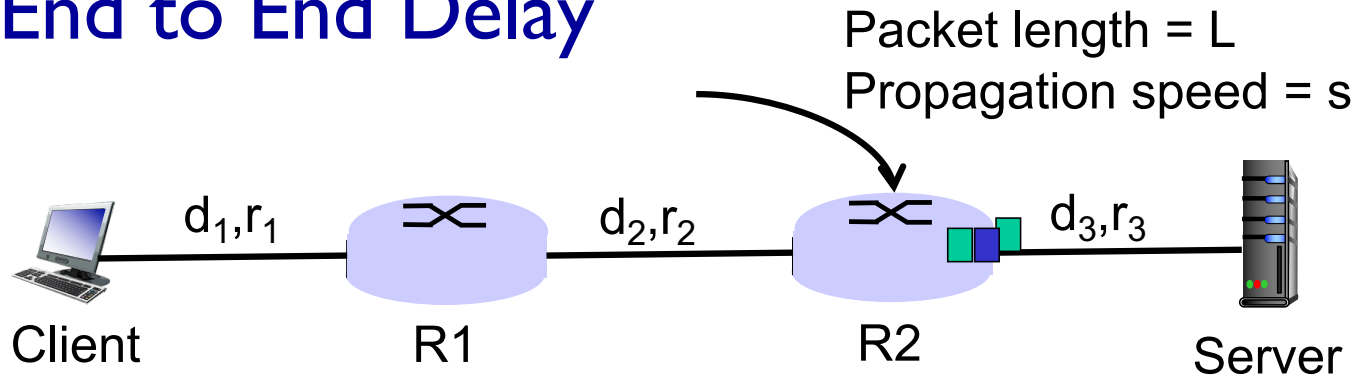


Interactive Java Applet:
<http://computerscience.unicam.it/marcantoni/reti/applet/QueueingAndLossInteractive/1.html>

- $La/R \sim 0$: avg. queueing delay small
- $La/R \rightarrow 1$: delays become large
- $La/R > 1$: more “work” than can be serviced, average delay infinite!
(this is when a is random!)



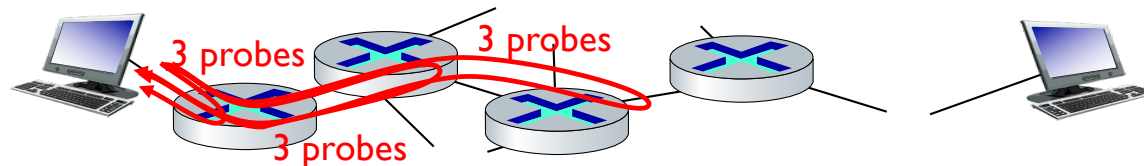
End to End Delay



In the picture, $r_1 = r_2 = r_3$, you may wish to consider what happens when this is not the case

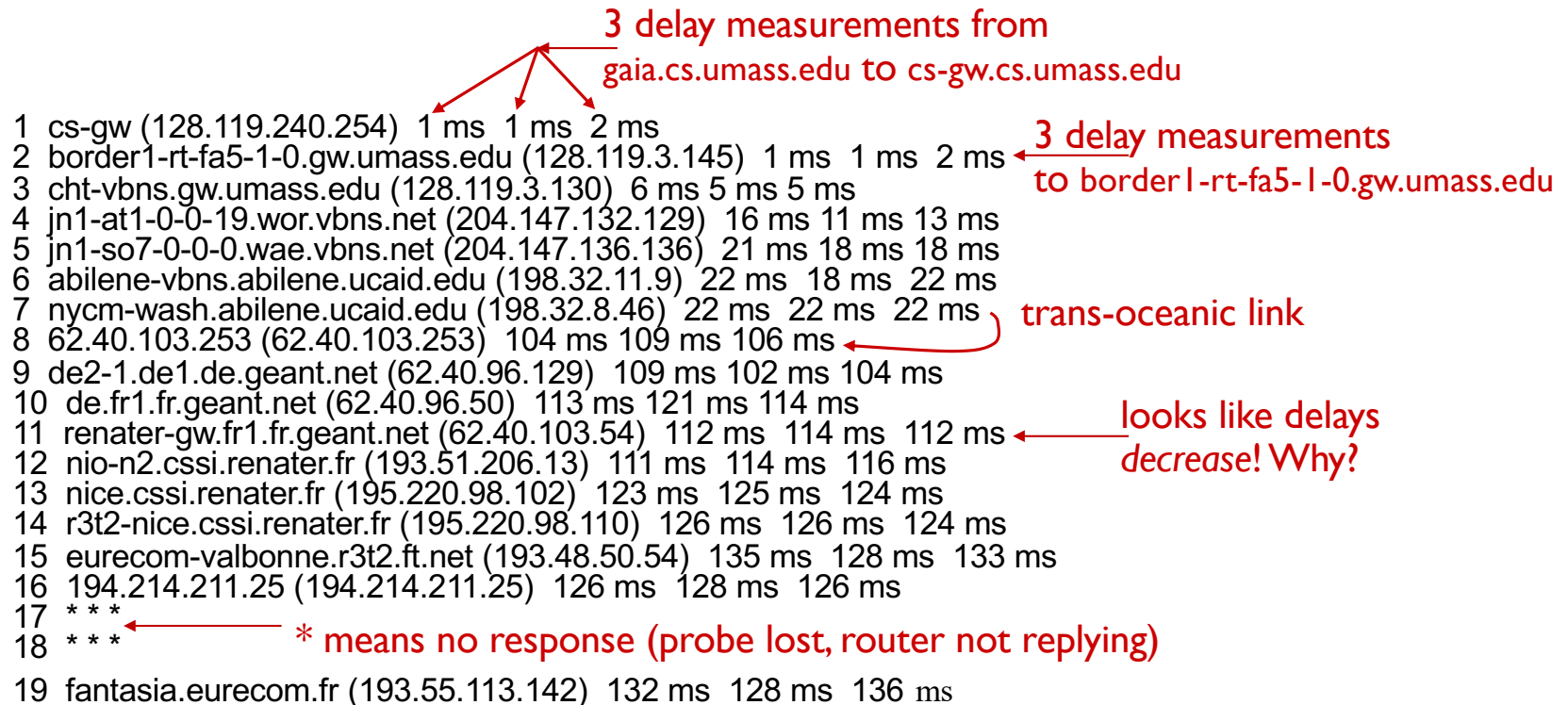
“Real” Internet delays and routes

- what do “real” Internet delay & loss look like?
- **traceroute** program: provides delay measurement from source to router along end-end Internet path towards destination. For all i :
 - sends three packets that will reach router i on path towards destination (with time-to-live field value of i)
 - router i will return packets to sender
 - sender measures time interval between transmission and reply



Real Internet delays and routes

traceroute: gaia.cs.umass.edu to www.eurecom.fr

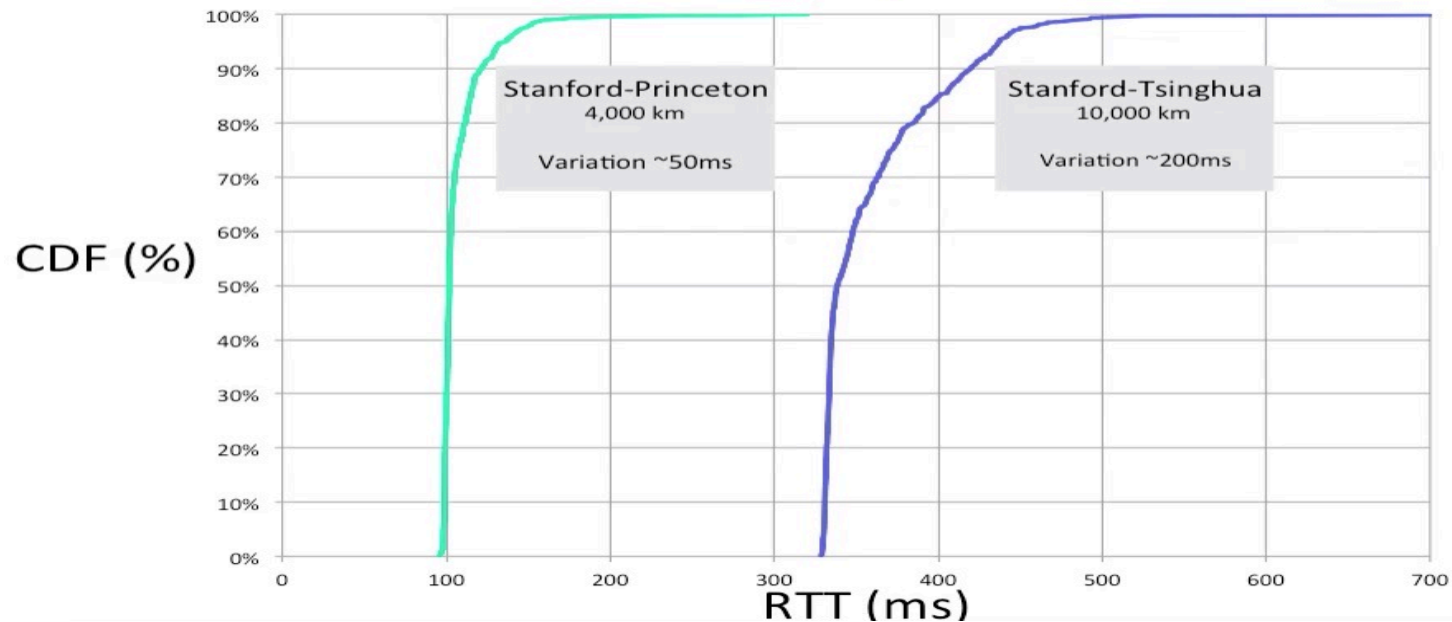


* Do some traceroutes from exotic countries at www.traceroute.org

“Real” delay variations

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

End-to-end delay = sum of all d_{nodal} along the path



Quiz: Propagation Delay



Propagation delay depends on the size of the packet

A. True

B. False

Answer: B

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Quiz: Oh these delays



Consider a packet that has just arrived at a router. What is the correct order of the delays encountered by the packet until it reaches the next-hop router?

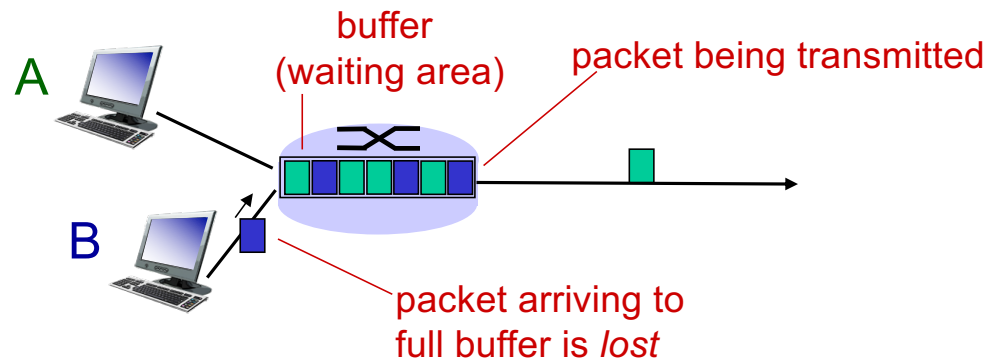
- A. Transmission, processing, propagation, queuing
- B. Propagation, processing, transmission, queuing
- C. Processing, queuing, transmission, propagation
- D. Queuing, processing, propagation, transmission

Answer: C

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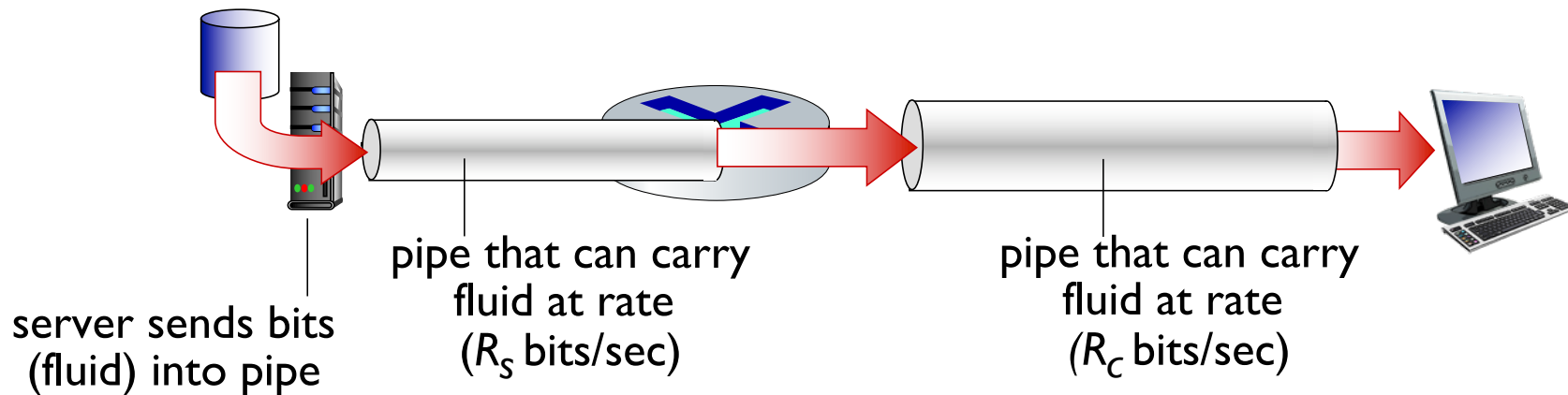
Packet loss

- ❖ queue (aka buffer) preceding link in buffer has finite capacity
- ❖ packet arriving to full queue dropped (aka lost)
- ❖ lost packet may be retransmitted by previous node, source end system, or not at all



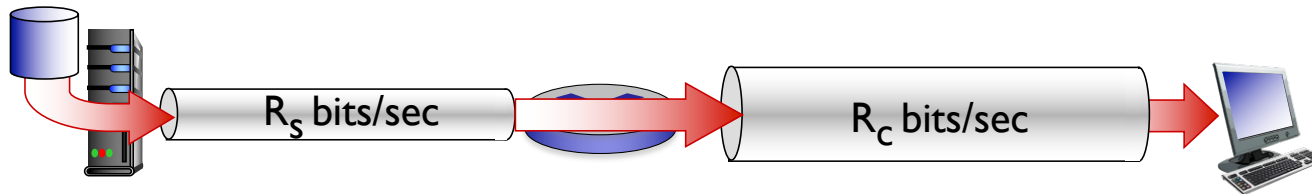
Throughput

- **throughput:** rate (bits/time unit) at which bits are being sent from sender to receiver
 - **instantaneous:** rate at given point in time
 - **average:** rate over longer period of time

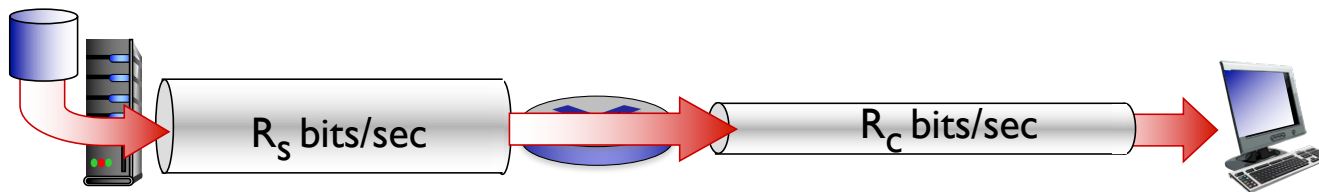


Throughput

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



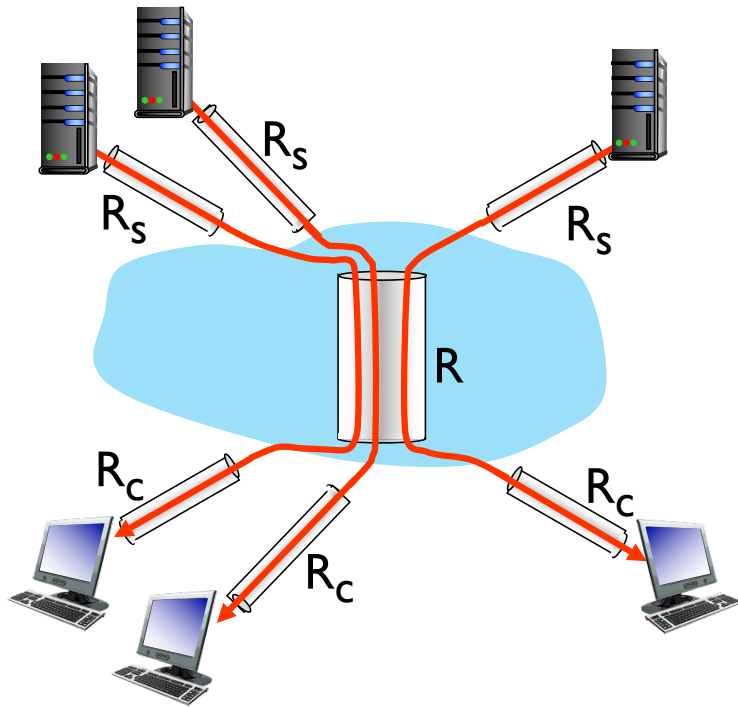
$R_s > R_c$ What is average end-end throughput?



bottleneck link

link on end-end path that constrains end-end throughput

Throughput: network scenario



10 connections (fairly) share
backbone bottleneck link R bits/sec

- per-connection end-end throughput:
 $\min(R_c, R_s, R/10)$
- in practice: R_c or R_s is often bottleneck

Introduction: summary



covered a “ton” of material!

- ❖ Internet overview
- ❖ what's a protocol?
- ❖ network edge, core, access network
 - packet-switching versus circuit-switching
 - Internet structure
- ❖ performance: loss, delay, throughput
- ❖ **Next Week**
 - Protocol layers, service models
 - Application Layer