# CS 31006: Computer Networks – History and Protocol Stack

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# **Circuit Switching – the Beginning**

- The concept of how telephone switching works creates a dedicated communication links between two communication nodes (telephones)
- In January 1878, the first telephone switch went into operation in New Haven Connecticut.



# **Circuit Switching**

#### Physical Connection is setup When call connection is made



Source: <a href="http://comp380group4project1.web.unc.edu/technical-discussion/circuit-switching/">http://comp380group4project1.web.unc.edu/technical-discussion/circuit-switching/</a>

## Problem with Circuit Switching for Data Communication

• Data traffic is bursty – uses an on-off pattern for data communication.



## **Packet Switching**

• Decide data boundary from the communication of one user – data packets



# The First Packet Switching Network

**Robert Taylor** was promoted to the head of the information processing office at **Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)** in June 1966. He intended to realize **Licklider's** ideas of an interconnected networking system. Bringing in **Larry Roberts** from MIT, he initiated a project to build such a network. The first ARPANET link was established between the **University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)** and the **Stanford Research Institute** at 22:30 hours on October 29, 1969.

Kleinrock said in an interview: "We typed the L and we asked on the phone,

"Do you see the L?"

"Yes, we see the L," came the response.

We typed the O, and we asked, "Do you see the O."

"Yes, we see the O."

Then we typed the G, and the system crashed ...

Yet a revolution had begun"

By December 5, 1969, a 4-node network was connected by adding the University of Utah and the University of California, Santa Barbara.

## **ARPANET – The First Packet Switching Network**



## **History of Computer Networks**

#### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9hIQjrMHTv4



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#### https://www.internetsociety.org/internet/history-internet

## **TCP/IP Protocol Stack**



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- Ordered delivery of data packets
- Reliability
- Flow control
- Congestion avoidance

## **Network (Internet) Layer Services**

- Connectionless communication construct messages (datagrams) from packets and route them to the next hop
  - Why do transport layer packets need to be converted to datagrams at every hop?
- Host addressing use IP addresses to uniquely identify a host in the network
- Datagram routing decide the path to route every datagram from the network graph

## **Data Link Layer Services**

- Encapsulation of network layer data packets into frames
- Frame synchronization
- Error control
- Flow control
  - Why do we need flow control at the link layer?
- Channel access / medium access, Physical addressing

#### Data Link Layer



#### Addressing a Host in the Network

- Every host has two addresses
  - Logical address (IP address) used to find out the path towards a host
  - Physical address (MAC address) uniquely identify a host in the Internet
- Logical address Dr. Sandip Chakraborty, Room-311, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Kharagpur, Kharagpur - 721302, West Bengal, India
- Physical address My Aadhar number (XXXX XXXX XXXX)

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- Logical address (32 bit IP address) 172.16.32.64
- Physical address (48-bit or 64-bit MAC address) 00:00:00:14:22:4D

#### **Protocol Stack Implementation in a Host**



## How Application Data Passes Through Different Layers



- **1. Application Layer:** Use DNS to get the IP address of the Google server DNS returns 74.125.224.72
- 2. Application Layer: Construct an HTTP GET Request GET 74.125.224.72/index.html HTTP/1.1 Construct an HTTP packet and forward it to the transport layer

method	Sp	URL	Sp	Version	Cr	lf	Request line
Header field name			:	value	Cr	lf	
:							Header Line
Header	field ı	name	:	value	Cr	lf	
Cr l	f		ba ba		la .	i	
Entity Body							

- **3.** Transport Layer: Construct the transport layer packet (TCP packet)
  - Source port: 3324 (port address corresponding to your browser tab)
  - Destination port: 80 (port for a HTTP server)



- 3. Network Layer: Construct the network layer packet (IP packet)
  - Source IP: 172.16.22.121 (IP of your machine)
  - Destination IP: Final destination IP address 74.125.224.72
- Note: the physical layer addresses pass the datagram from router to router. So, while the physical layer addresses change from router to router, the source and destination IP addresses in the IP datagram remain constant!



**4.** Network Layer: Use the routing procedure to find out the next hop IP to reach the Google server at 74.125.224.72. Let this IP be 172.16.28.192



- 5. Data Link Layer: Construct the data link layer frame from the IP datagram.
  - How do we get destination MAC address? We need the MAC address corresponding to 172.16.28.192



6. Data Link Layer: Use ARP protocol to get the MAC address corresponding to 172.16.28.192



## In Summary

