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Computer Networks
BS(CS)
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Lecture 01
Introduction

Dishonesty, Plagiarism

- Plagiarism in project or midterm/ final exam may result in F grade in the course.
- Plagiarism in an assignment may result in zero marks in the whole assignments category.
- Due Dates for Assignments and Quizzes will be fix any request to postpone deadlines will not be considered

Tentative Evaluation Breakdown

Grading Policy	Absolute grading
Assignments (3)	10
Mid 1	15
Mid 2	15
Project (Lab)	10
Final	40
Quizzes	10
Total	100

Note: The evaluation Breakdown plus course outline for all sections will be same

Course Outline

- Introduction
- Internet & Protocols, Network Edge/Core, Delays
- Service Models and Security
- Application Layer and Transport Layer
- Network and Data Link Layer
- ...

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Text Book

Computer Networking: A Top Down Approach

8th edition

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Chapter 1: roadmap

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Chapter 01: Introduction

our goal:

- get “feel” and terminology
- more depth, detail *later* in course
- approach:
 - use Internet as example

Computer Network

- Computer *network* - a group of computers connected together to communicate, exchange data, and share resources in real time

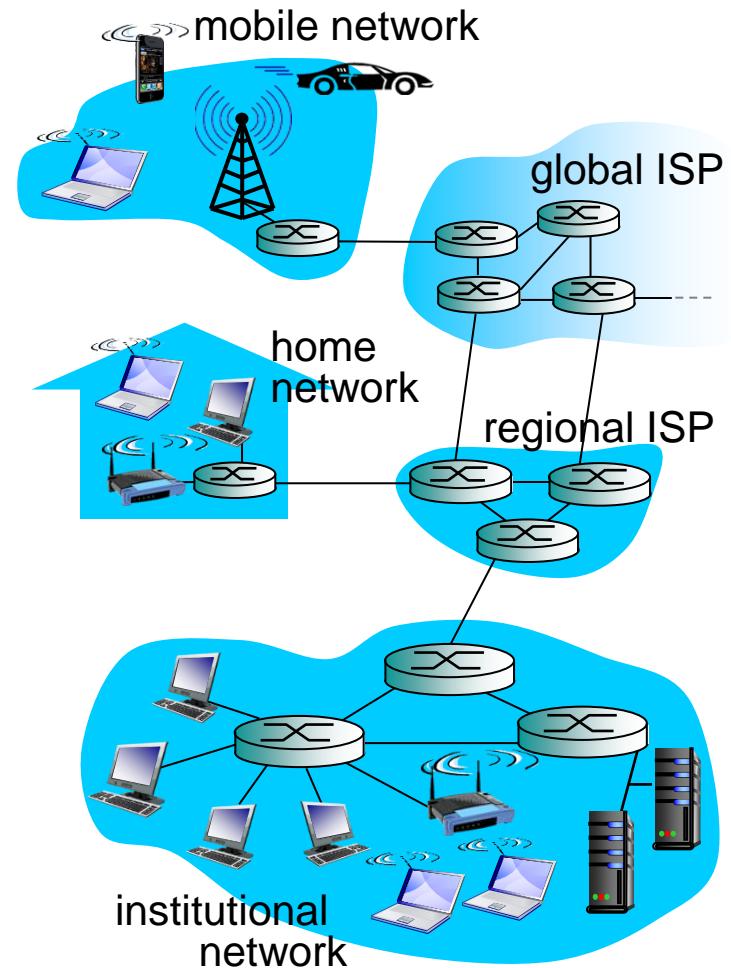


Network Enables...

- Simultaneous access to data
 - Data files are shared
 - Data are stored in a centralized place
 - All users have access to identical, up-to-date information
 - Software can also be shared
 - Site licenses
- Sharing of hardware resources
 - Printers and faxes are commonly shared devices
 - Reduces the cost per user
- Collaborative work by multiple people
 - Personal communication
 - Email
 - Instant messaging
 - Conferencing
 - Videoconferencing
 - Voice over IP
 - Phone communication over network wires
 - Easier data backup
 - Usually in business corporations
 - Employers keep the data on a shared storage device
 - The network manager makes regular backups of the data

What's the Internet: “nuts and bolts” view

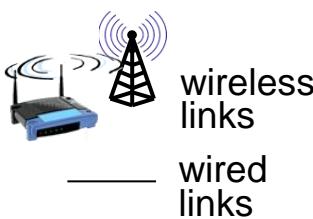
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 - Interconnected ISPs



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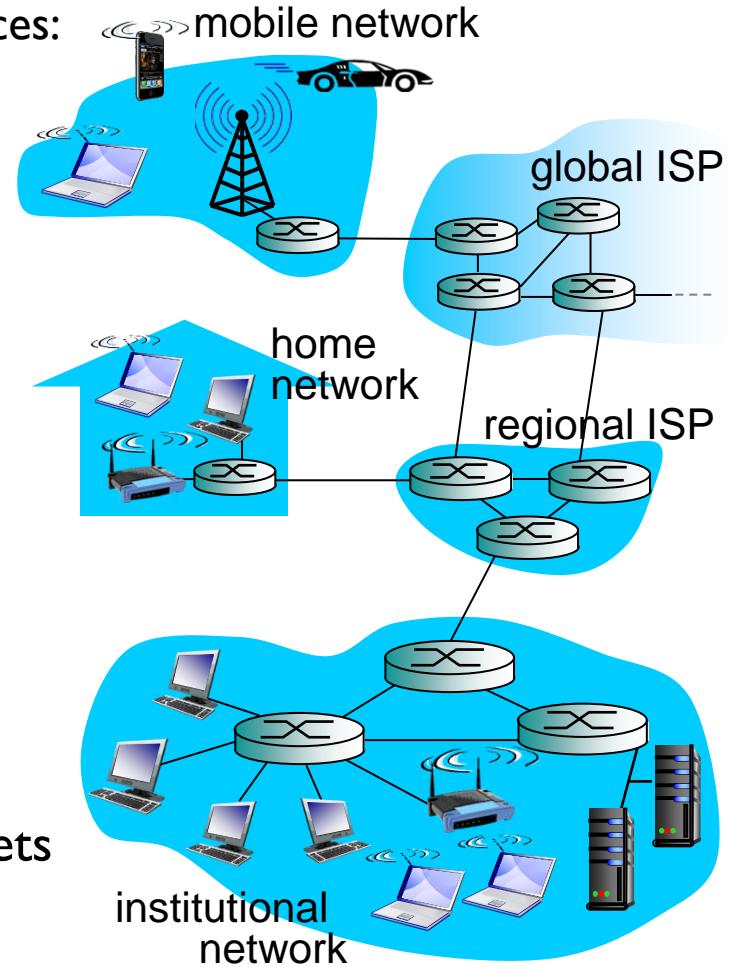
- millions of connected computing devices:
 - *hosts = end systems*
 - running *network apps*



- ❖ *communication links*
 - fiber, copper, radio, satellite
 - transmission rate: *bandwidth*

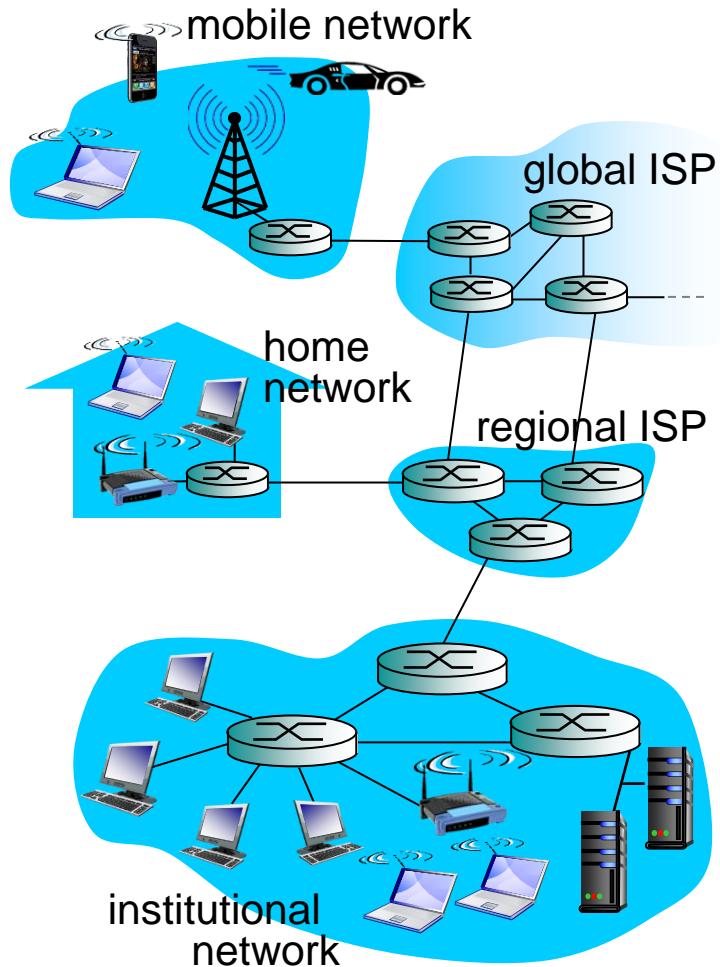


- ❖ *Packet switches: forward packets (chunks of data)*
 - *routers and switches*



What's the Internet: a service view

- *Infrastructure that provides services to distributed applications:*
 - Web, VoIP, email, games, e-commerce, social nets, ...
- *provides programming interface to apps*
 - hooks that allow sending and receiving app programs to “connect” to Internet



But how these systems and network apps communicate with each other?

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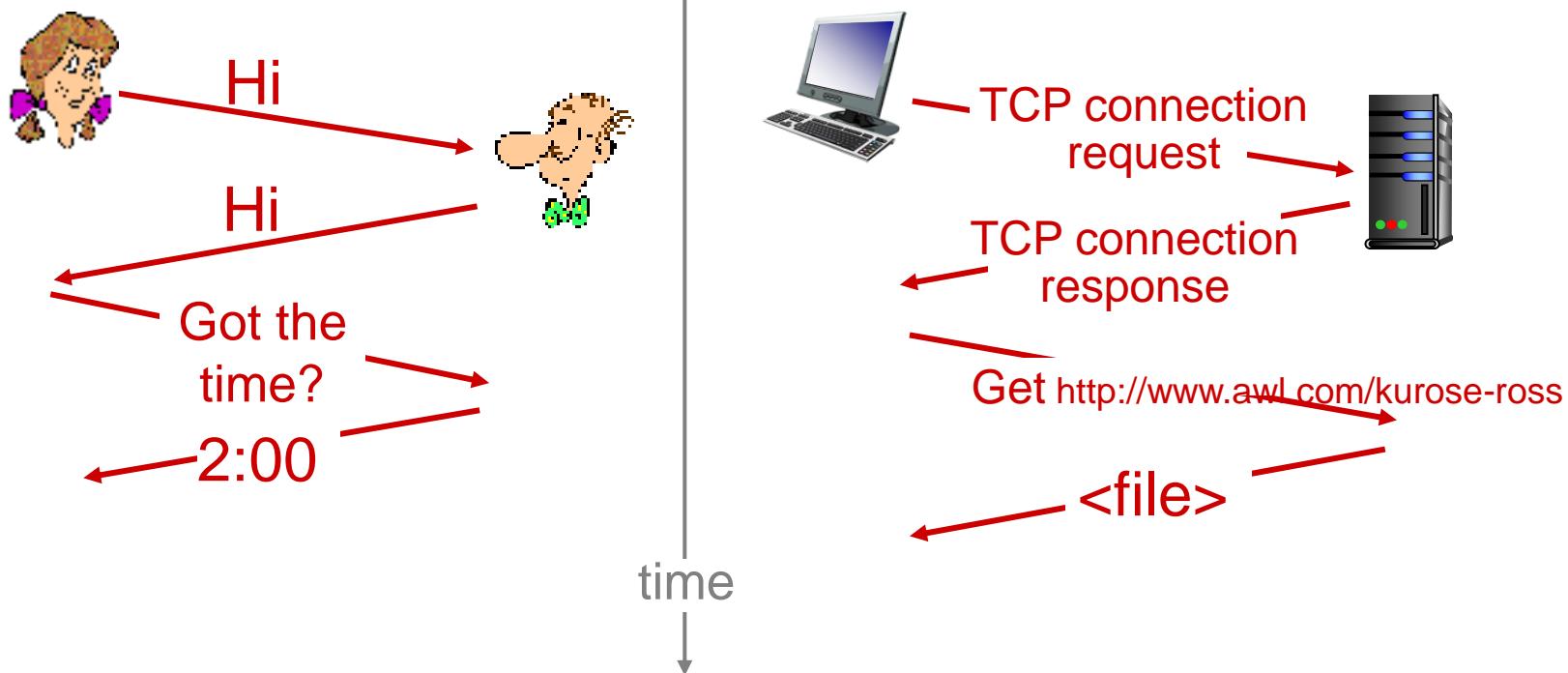
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Protocols

- For proper communication, entities in different systems **must speak the same language**
 - there must be mutually acceptable conventions and rules about the content, timing and underlying mechanisms
- Those conventions and associated rules are referred as “PROTOCOLS”

What's a protocol?

a human protocol and a computer network protocol:



Q: other human protocols?

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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

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

“Fun” Internet-connected devices



Amazon Echo



Internet refrigerator



Security Camera



Internet phones



IP picture frame



Slingbox: remote control cable TV



Pacemaker & Monitor



Web-enabled toaster + weather forecaster



sensorized, bed mattress



Tweet-a-watt: monitor energy use

bikes



cars



scooters



AR devices



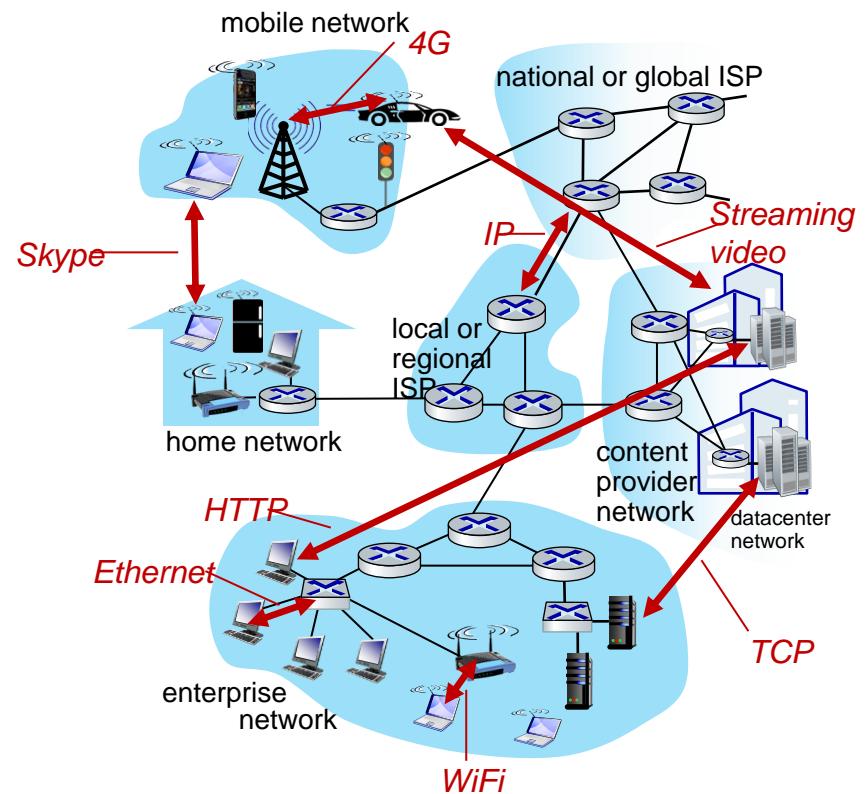
Fitbit

Others?

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The Internet: a “nuts and bolts” view

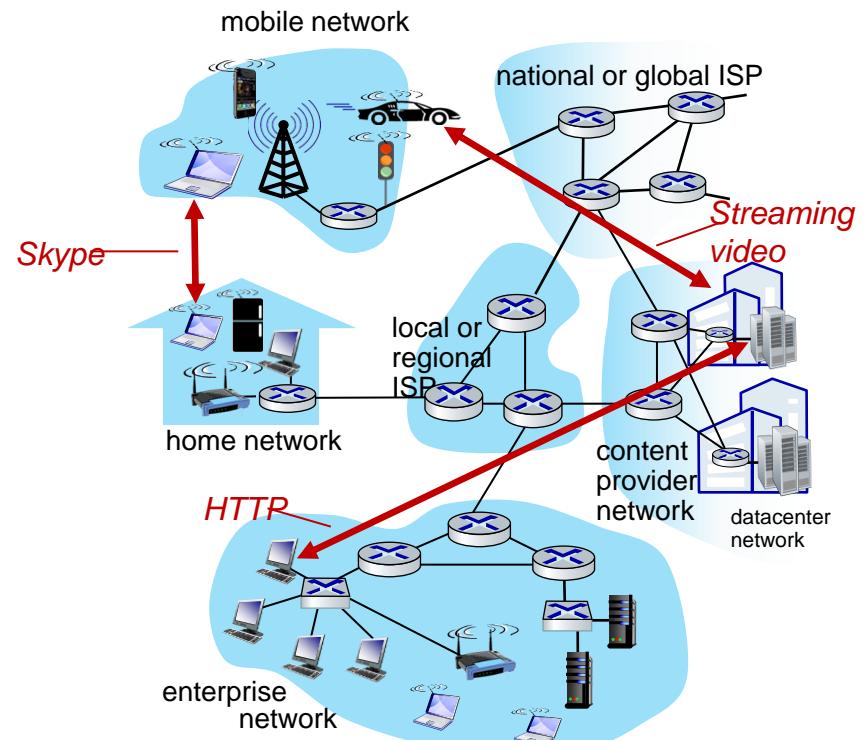
- *Internet: “network of networks”*
 - Interconnected ISPs
- *protocols are everywhere*
 - control sending, receiving of messages
 - e.g., HTTP (Web), streaming video, Skype, TCP, IP, WiFi, 4G, Ethernet
- *Internet standards*
 - RFC: Request for Comments
 - IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force



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The Internet: a “services” 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



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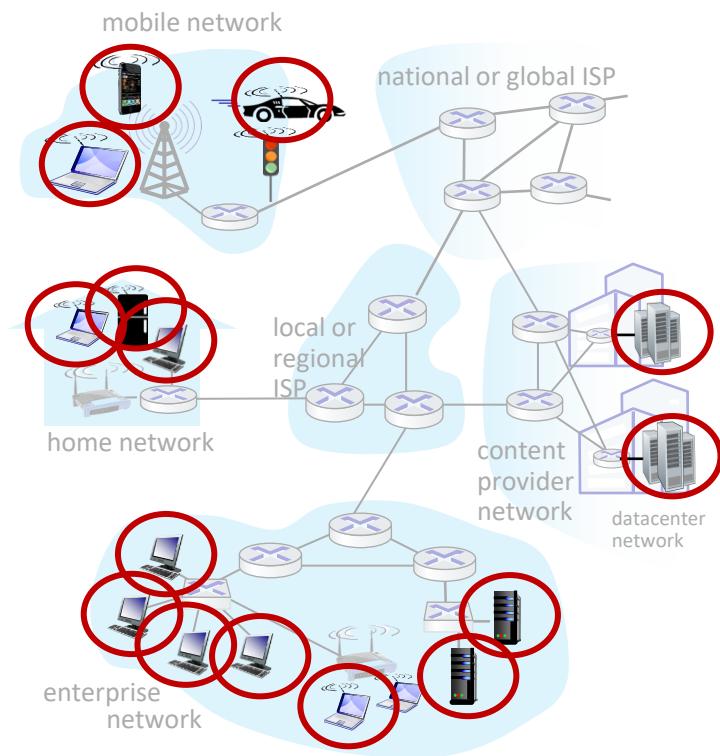
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A closer look at Internet structure

Network edge:

- hosts: clients and servers
- servers often in data centers



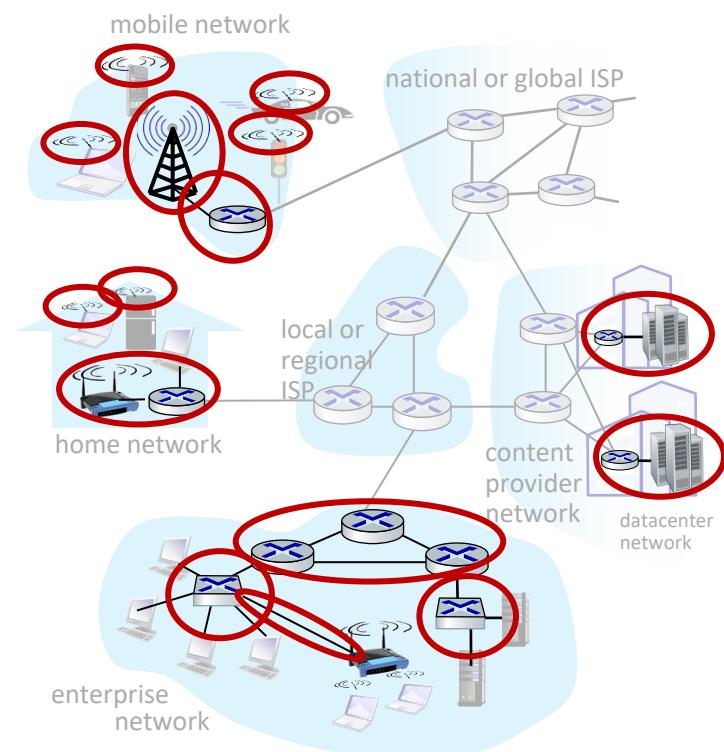
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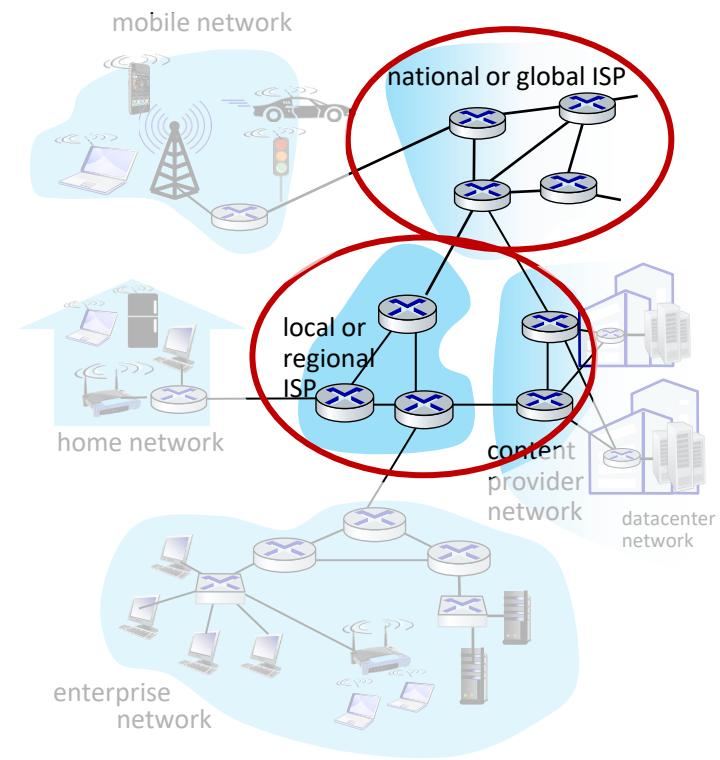
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Network core:

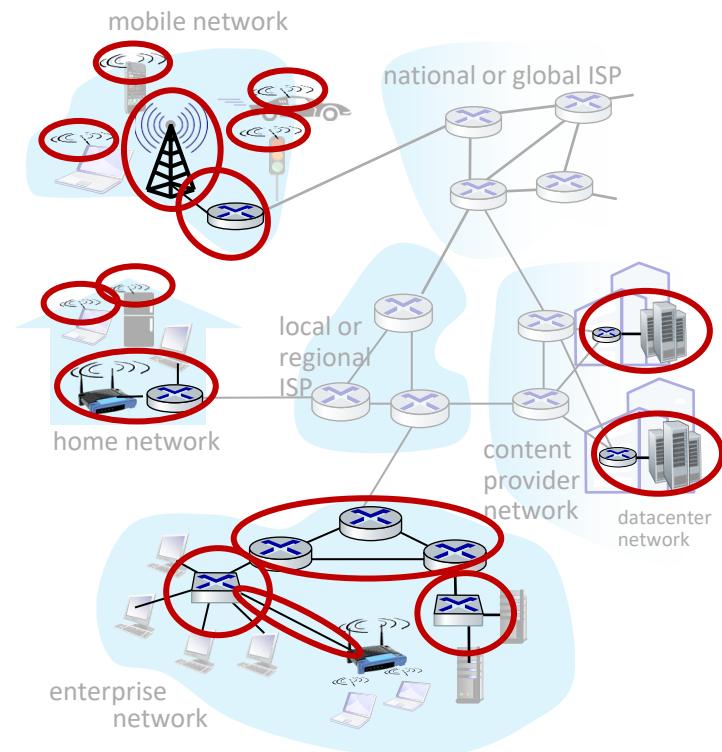
- interconnected routers
- network of networks



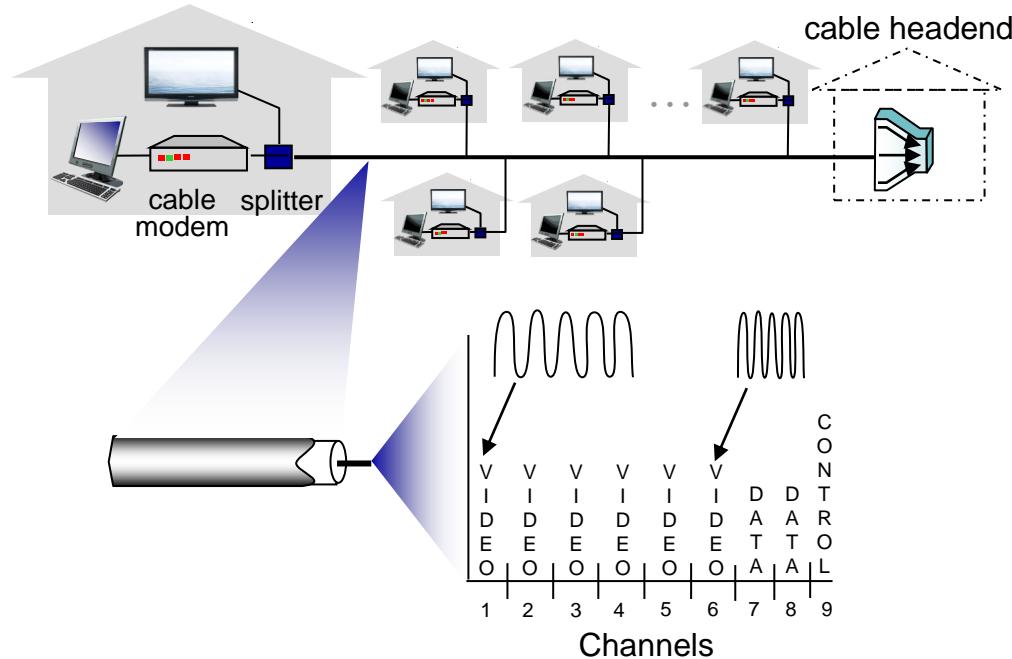
Access networks and physical media

Q: How to connect end systems to edge router?

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

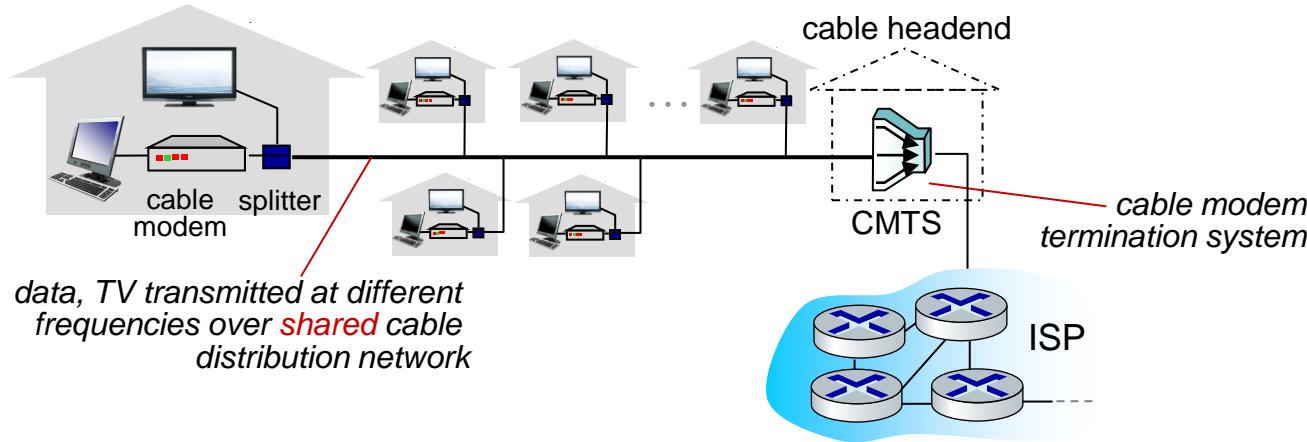


Access networks: cable-based access



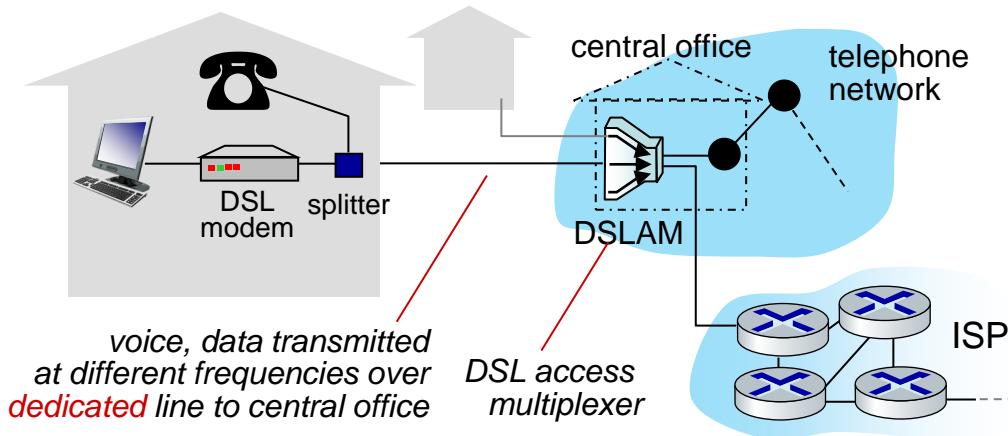
frequency division multiplexing (FDM): different channels transmitted in different frequency bands

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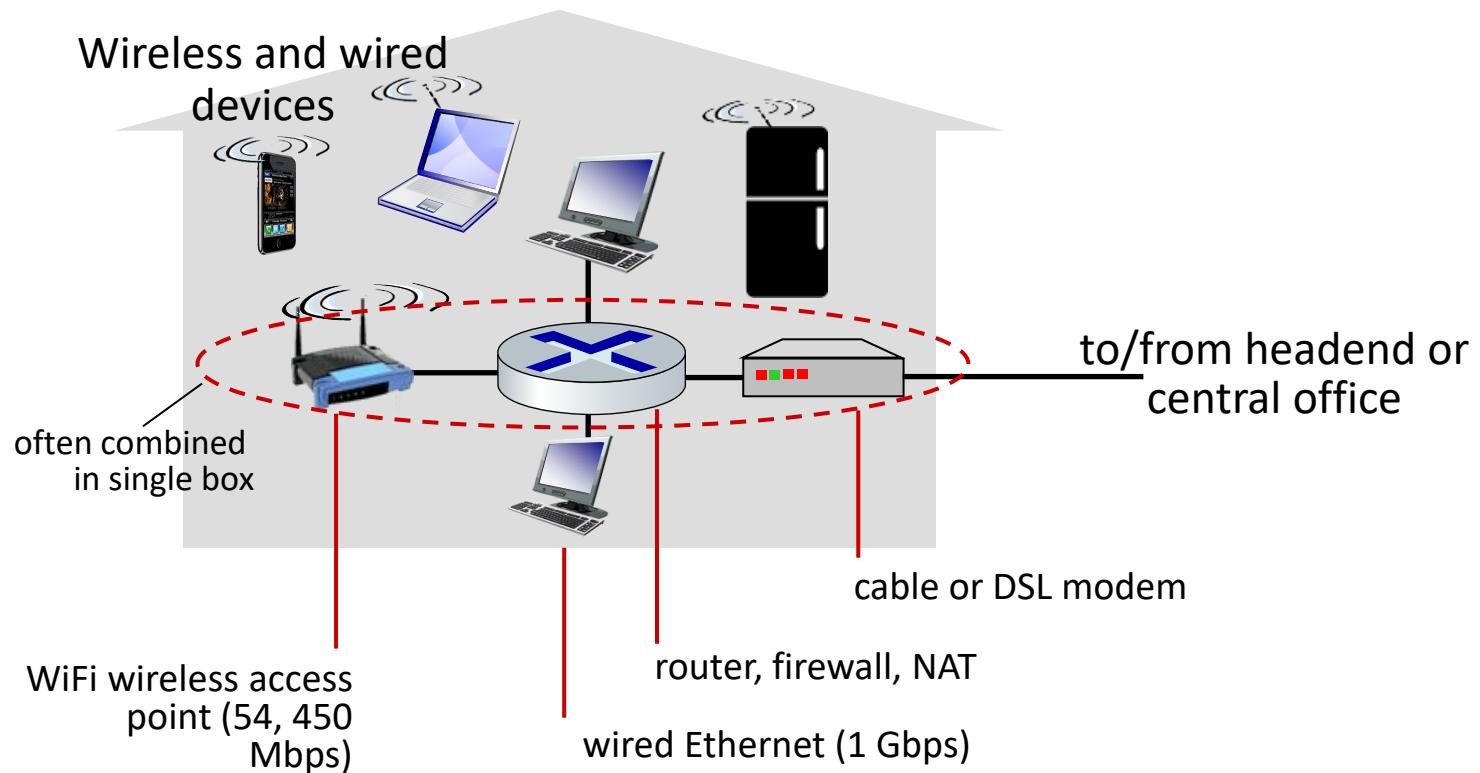
- HFC: hybrid fiber coax
 - asymmetric: up to 40 Mbps – 1.2 Gbps downstream transmission rate, 30-100 Mbps upstream transmission rate
- network of cable, fiber attaches homes to ISP router
 - homes **share access network** to cable headend

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

Access networks: home networks



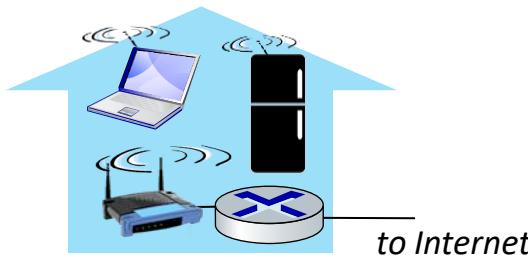
Wireless access networks

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

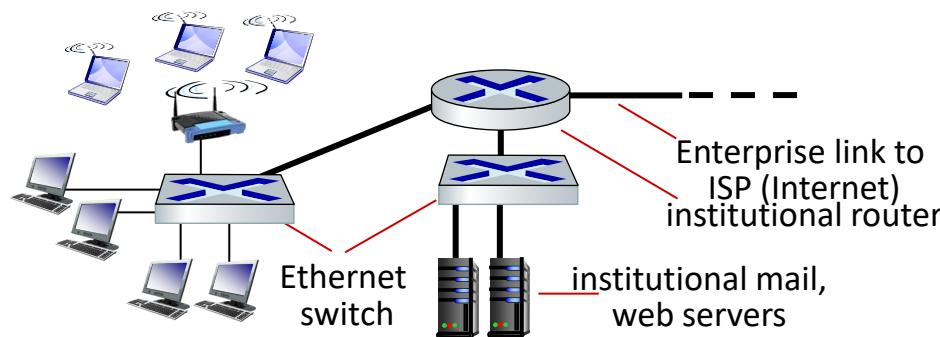


Wide-area cellular access networks

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



Access networks: enterprise networks



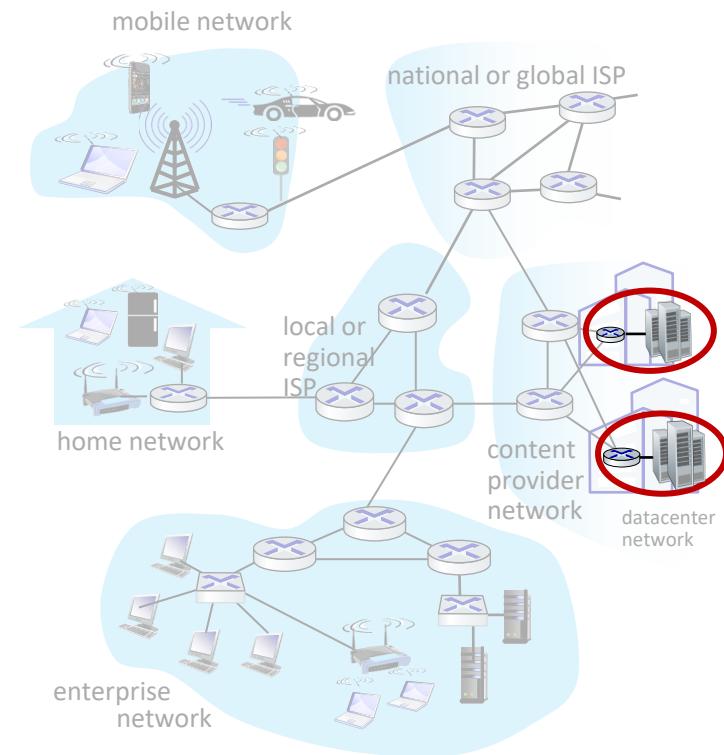
- companies, universities, etc.
- mix of wired, wireless link technologies, connecting a mix of switches and routers (we'll cover differences shortly)
 - Ethernet: wired access at 100Mbps, 1Gbps, 10Gbps
 - WiFi: wireless access points at 11, 54, 450 Mbps

Access networks: data center networks

- high-bandwidth links (10s to 100s Gbps) connect hundreds to thousands of servers together, and to Internet



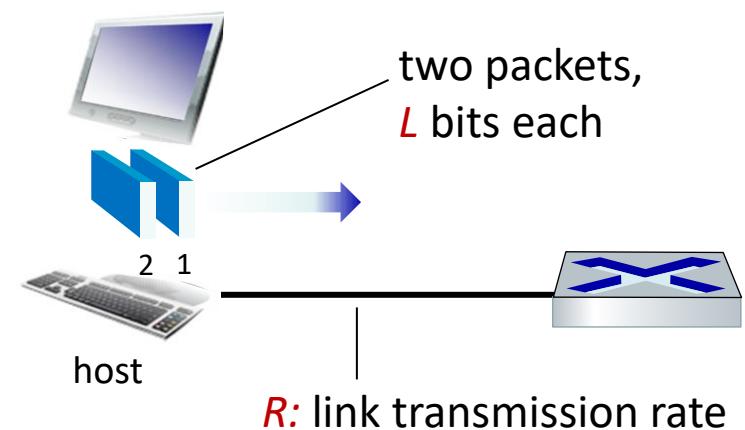
Courtesy: Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center (mghpcc.org)



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*



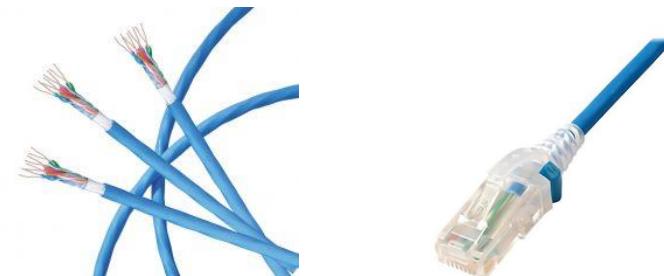
$$\text{packet transmission delay} = \frac{\text{time needed to transmit } L\text{-bit packet into link}}{R \text{ (bits/sec)}}$$

Links: 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 Gbps Ethernet
 - Category 6: 10Gbps Ethernet



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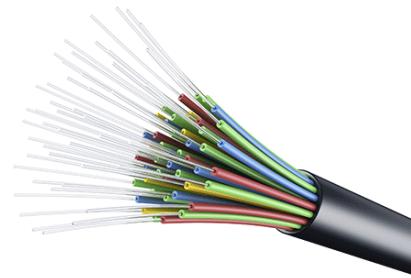
Coaxial cable:

- 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



Links: physical media

Wireless radio

- signal carried in various “bands” in electromagnetic spectrum
- no physical “wire”
- broadcast, “half-duplex” (sender to receiver)
- propagation environment effects:
 - reflection
 - obstruction by objects
 - Interference/noise

Radio link types:

- **Wireless LAN (WiFi)**
 - 10-100's Mbps; 10's of meters
- **wide-area** (e.g., 4G cellular)
 - 10's Mbps over ~10 Km
- **Bluetooth:** cable replacement
 - short distances, limited rates
- **terrestrial microwave**
 - point-to-point; 45 Mbps channels
- **satellite**
 - up to 45 Mbps per channel
 - 270 msec end-end delay

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