#### **Data Communications**

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- ◆ Course Book:
  - DATA AND COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS
    - William Stallings, Prentice Hall International Edition

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#### Introduction

◆ This course is concerned with the *communications problem*:

"How can two remote entities communicate with each other <u>effectively</u> and <u>efficiently</u>"

# Cave Painting - 40,000 to 10,000 BC



Lascaux, France

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# Sumerian Cuneiform - 3000 BC

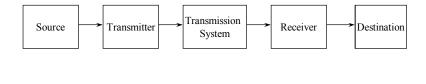




Inscriptions from the Behistun Rock (Western Iran)

## Hieroglyphic Text

### Model of Communications System



#### Communications model components

- ◆ Source: Device that generates data
- ◆ Transmitter: Transforms and encodes data
- ◆ Transmission System: The physical system connecting the source and destination devices
- ◆ Receiver: Performs reverse function of Transmitter
- ◆ Destination: Receives the incoming data

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### **Course Topics**

- ♦ Introduction
  - » Communications Model/Tasks
- ♦ Signal Analysis
  - » Signalling concepts
  - » Bandwidth concepts
  - » Relationship between Data Rate and Bandwidth
- ◆ Data Transmission concepts
  - » Digital versus analogue data/signals/systems
- **◆** Transmission Impairments
  - » Attenuation/Distortion/Noise

- ◆ Channel capacity
- ◆ Transmission Media
  - » Wired/Wireless
- ◆ Data Encoding
  - » Digital/Analogue Data onto Digital/Analogue signals etc.
- ◆ Synchronous /Asynchronous
- ◆ Transmission Interfacing

# **Course Topics**

- ◆ Flow Control techniques
- ◆ Error detection techniques
- ◆ Error Control techniques
- ◆ Sample Link Protocol
- ◆ Multiplexing
  - » Digital/Analogue Techniques
- ◆ Switching Networks
- ♦ Circuit/Packet Switching

- ◆ Local Area Networks
  - » Applications
  - » Topologies and operation
  - » Protocols
  - » Access Control techniques
- ◆ Internetworks

.....and much more