

The Internet

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Reminders

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Things that are due tomorrow:

- Homework 12
- Game of Life
- Participation 13p1
- Post-reading 13p1

Why we care

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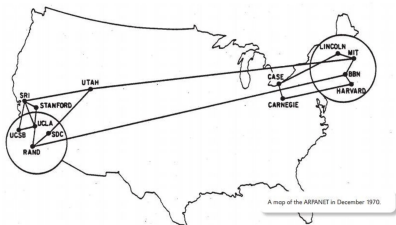
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- ❹ Now, we can get it from the internet.
 - Recall, websites are just collections of files and software on another person's computer (server):

```
1 dev_website
2 |---index.html
3 |___elements
4     |--- about.html
5     |--- cv.html
6     |___ projects.html
7
```


History of the Internet

ARPANET



- Only a few users at government research facilities and universities
- Used for file transfer, not websites
- File Transfer Protocol (FTP, 1971) is still available and used today.

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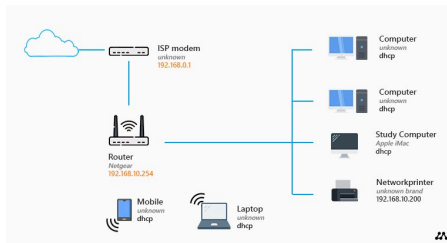
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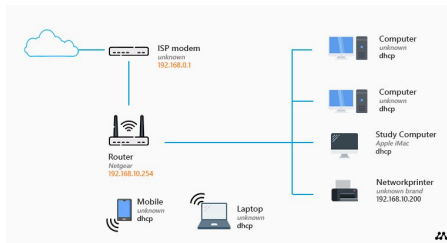
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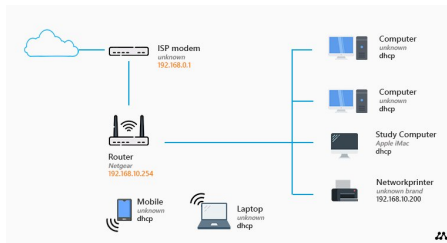


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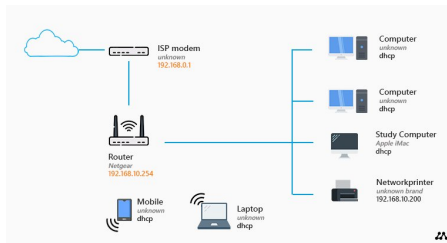
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- Modem → (1) Stands for "modulation-demodulation" (2) Converts between analog (waves) and digital (10101011101).

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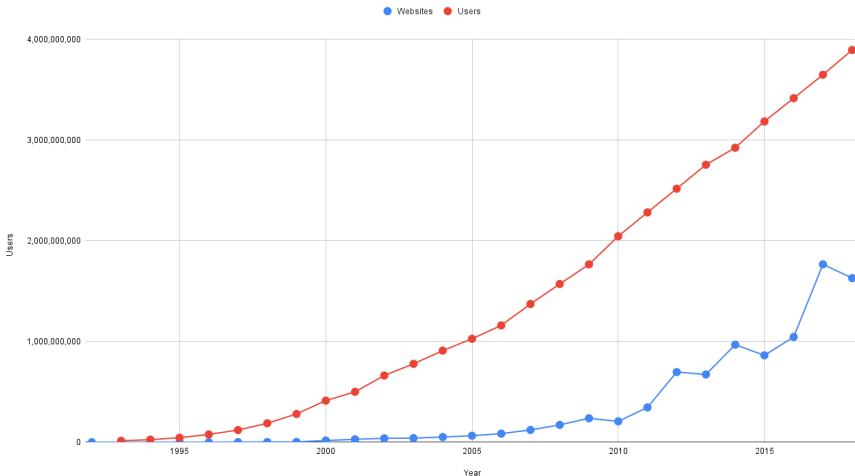
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- Internet Relay Chat (IRC) → An early instant messaging system that allowed someone to use a IRC client program to connect to a server and chat.

Internet Usage

Internet Usage and Available Websites



IP Addresses, Domain Names, and URLs

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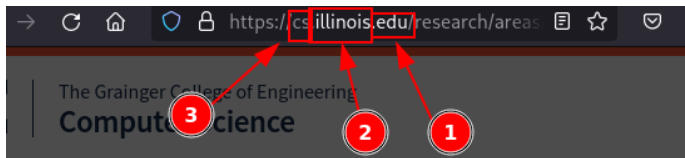
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- Internet Protocol (IP) Address → The 32 bit (four 8-bit groups) address that specifies.
- Goes from 0.0.0.0-255.255.255.255
- Each domain name (e.g., www.google.com) has an IP address
- We use a Domain Name System (DNS) server to lookup the IP attached to a domain name

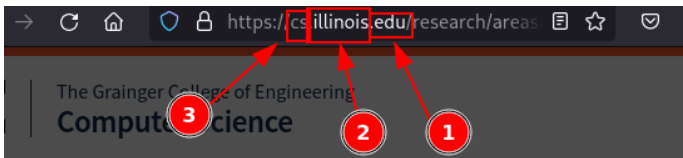
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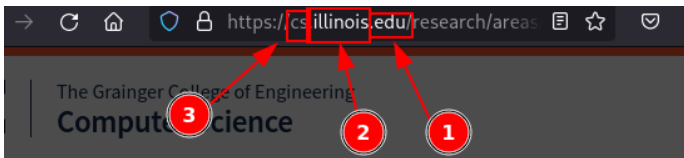
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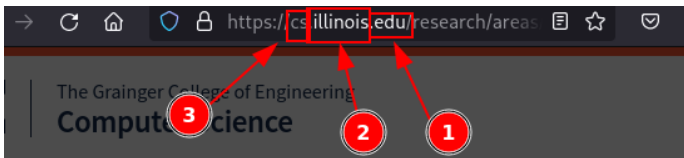
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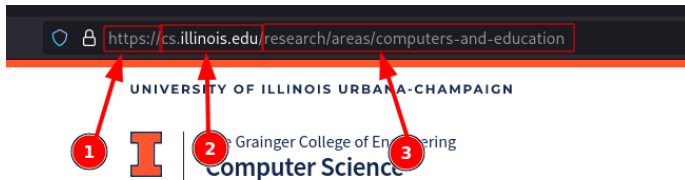
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- ④ For example, if the top and second-level domain is `illinois.edu`:
 - `cs.illinois.edu`
 - `law.illinois.edu`

URLS

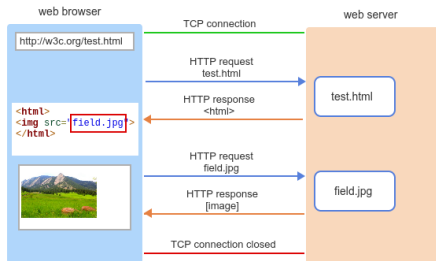


The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) is composed of the following parts:

- 1 **Protocol Scheme** → The protocol that is being used
- 2 **Hostname** → The complete domain name of the server you're trying to connect to.
- 3 **Path** → The path to the resource and (sometimes) query parameters.

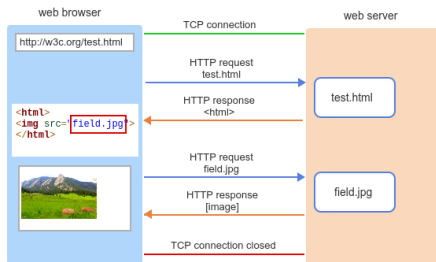
HTTP Protocol

HTTP Basics



- **GET** → Requests a resource from the server.
- **HEAD** → Same as get but without the response body.
- **POST** → Requests the server accept the request body as a new child resource or modify one.
- **PUT** → Requests the server accept the request body as a modification to an existing resource.
- **DELETE** → Requests the deletion of an existing resource.

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The main ones we care about:

- **GET** → Resource requests.
- **POST** → Data modifying or creation requests.

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