- 1. A protocol defines what / how / when data is communicated
- 2. The **internet API** is a set of rules that a sending program must follow so that Internet can deliver the data to the destination
- Networks can be classified on the types of transmission as <u>circuit</u> switching and <u>packet</u> switching
- 4. **OSI** = open system interconnection
- 5. OSI layers: application, presentation, session, transport, network, data link, physical
- 6. TCP/IP layers:
  - a. Application = application + presentation + session from OSI
  - b. Transport = transport
  - c. Internet = network
  - d. Link = data link + physical
- 7. Services of the data link layer: framing and link access, flow control, error correction
- 8. O placa de retea poate avea mai multe adrese IP; un calculator poate avea mai multe placi de retea si mai multe IP-uri; placa de retea poate fi si externa; pentru conectarea unui calculator la o retea LAN se foloseste placa de retea
- MAC addresses physically embedded into the network card, guaranteed to be unique; made of 6 bytes; MAC = media access control; in the data link layer; it can be changed
- 10. Broadcast MAC address = FF.FF.FF.FF.FF.FF = logical address used to identify all the computers within a network
- 11. A switch keeps a record of the MAC addresses of all the devices connected to it
- 12. A computer can have multiple IP addresses
- 13. **127.0.0.1 = localhost** cannot be a network address nor a broadcast addr; it can be set as default gateway but not as DNS
- 14. 0.0.0.0 is a valid netmask
- 15. To find the MAC address on windows *ipconfig /all*; to check if the data link layer works(?) *arp /a*
- 16. The optical fiber cable theoretically has unlimited bandwidth; but there is a limit to how much the end devices can send and receive + the ISP contract limits the bandwidth
- 17. The <u>bandwidth</u> is the physical property of the transmission medium, **throughput** represents the amount of data which we transmit over a quantity of time
- 18. Optical fiber -> light waves; wireless -> electro-magnetic waves

- 19. Routing is done at the network level, is based on the destination IP there is no routing based on MAC addresses
- 20. IPv6 = 16 bytes, IPv4 = 4 bytes
- 21. In class-full addressing 5 addr classes
  - a. **A** network part = 1 byte, host = 3 bytes; 1.0.0.0 -> 127.255.255.255; 2^7? networks (most significant bit is fixed => only 7 left)
  - b. **B** network = 2 bytes, host = 2 bytes; 128.0.0.0 -> 191.255.255.255; 2^14 networks (first 2 bits are fixed..)
  - c. **C** network = 3 bytes, host = 1 bytes; 192.0.0.0 -> 223.255.255.255; 2^21 networks (first 3 bits..)
  - **d. D**; 224.0.0.0 -> 239.255.255; used for multicast
  - **e. E**: 240.0.0.0 -> 255.255.255.255; never used
    - i. On some implementations, 255.255.255.255 is not part of class E, it's the *universal broadcast*
  - f. Natural mask = masks of A, B, C
- 22. Class-full addressing => size of the largest routing table = 2^7 + 2^14 + 2^21
- 23. **CIDR** = Classless InterDomain Routing
  - a. Network part (= *prefix*) + host part, but the sizes are no longer multiples of 8bits
  - b. Host part =  $\frac{\pi}{x}$ , x = number of bits in the host part
    - i. /24 ⇔ class C
    - ii. /16 ⇔ class B
    - iii. /8 ⇔ class A
  - c. The number of hosts is always a power of 2 (this includes the network addr + broadcast)
  - d. The beginning host address in each block must be divisible by the no. of hosts in that block; ex. a block of 16 addresses cannot start at a.b.c.36, but can start at a.b.c.64, or 48 etc.
- 24. A network addr is correct if by ANDing it with the mask, we obtain the net addr; conversely, if we AND a random IP addr with its mask, we get its network addr
- 25. To get the broadcast addr from the network -> OR it with the negated mask
- 26. **Supernetting** = multiple routing entries become a single one (so the opposite of subnetting)
  - a. Ex: a.b.c.0 / 30 and a.b.c.4 / 30 can be seen as a.b.c.0 / 29
- 27. A router has as many interfaces as the number of networks it connects

- 28. In a routing table, if the gateway = 0 => the packet doesn't need to be sent to another network, its destination network can be directly accessed by the router
  - a. If the destination and the mask = 0 => all addresses that don't match any other entries are "caught" here
- 29. Routing table can also be named forwarding table; it contains interface, netmask, destination, address, gateway
- 30. All the hosts from the same network can physically reach each other without an intervening router
- 31. **Metric** = the no. of routers that have to be passed in order to reach the destination; 1 actually means that no routers are passed (0 has another meaning)
- 32. **Private networks**:
  - a. 10.0.0.0 / 8 (10.0.0.0 -> 10.255.255.255)
  - b. 172.16.0.0 / 12 (172.16.0.0 -> 172.31.255.255)
  - c. 192.168.0.0 / 16 (192.168.0.0 -> 192.168.255.255)
- 33. Proxy server = intermediary for requests from clients seeking resources from other clients
- 34. **DHCP** = dynamic host configuration protocol
- 35. A DHCP server can relay IP addr to clients on a network segment separated from the server's location when the router that separates them acts as a relay agent
- 36. It's possible to have +1 DHCP server on the same subnet if each has its own, disjoint pool of addresses
- 37. DHCP uses UDP at the transport layer
- 38. **CLI** = command line interface
- 39. **SCTP** = Stream Control Transmission Protocol; in the transport layer
- 40. **DSL** = digital subscriber line; used to give access to internet through telephone lines
- 41. **Crossover cable**: connect switch -> switch, switch -> hub, hub -> hub, router -> router, router -> pc, pc -> pc
- 42. **Straight through**: connect router -> switch, switch -> pc / server, hub -> pc / server
  - a. Obviously the reverse work as well
- 43. The switch sends a packet specifically to an endpoint (or more), the hub broadcasts the message to all the network
- 44. A switch can transport UDP / IP / TCP packets
- 45. A hub does **not** understand a MAC address; a switch does
- 46. **Big endian** = most significant byte first; little endian = least ...
  - a. The network standard is big endian, that's why we use ntoh and hton

- 47. 2 PCs might not be able to ping each other if both firewalls are enabled
- 48. Gateways are used for providing connectivity between +2 network segments
- 49. A computer cannot have 2 gateways
- 50. **RIP** = routing information protocol
- 51. RIPv1 doesn't support classless routing protocols (but v2 does); it has the same timers as v2
- 52. Maximum metric of RIPv2 = 15; any further is considered unreachable
- 53. Float uses 4 bytes in 32bit systems; 8 in 64bit systems
- 54. **SSH** = secure shell; used for remote connection to a terminal / command line; in the application layer
- 55. P2P = peer to peer
- 56. Exchange units at each layer:
  - a. App layer data structure
  - b. TCP segment, UDP datagram
  - c. IP datagram / packet
  - d. MAC layer frame
- 57. IP protocol = best effort; doesn't guarantee successful delivery, unicity, data integrity
- 58. **IP Datagram header = 20 bytes** 
  - a. Version 4 bits, usually 4 / 6, if it's ipv4, ipv6
  - b. Header length 4 bits; it counts how many 32-bit entities there are
  - c. Type of service 8 bits; type of content (file, voice, video..), related to priorities
  - d. Length 16 bits; of the entire datagram in bytes => max IP datagram
    size = 64kb
  - e. 16-bit identifier; given to each datagram that leaves the host
  - f. Flags 3 bits
    - i. DF = "don't fragment"; if it's set to 1 and a packet doesn't fit => the packet is not sent, the sender is notified
    - ii. MF = "more fragments", set to 1 whenever a packet is split
  - g. 13-bit fragment offset; if a packet doesn't fit on a connection, it will be fragmented and it won't be reassembled until it reaches the destination
    - i. The split packets all have the same 16bit ID
    - ii. Beware of the 20 byte header size
  - h. **TTL = time to live** 8 bits; = nr. of routers that the datagram can pass before it's discarded; decremented when passing through a router,

- when it reaches 0 => dg is discarded and a signal is given (*TTL* expired) to the host of this dg
- Upper layer 8 bits; which protocols are transported inside this dg (ex. TCP = 6, UDP = 17)
- j. **Header internet checksum** 16 bits; = the 16bit one's complement of the one's complement sum of all 16bit words in the header; while computing this, we consider the value of the checksum inside the header to be 0
- k. Source IP 32 bits
- I. Destination IP 32 bits
- 59. **MTU** = maximum transfer unit (through a connection)
- 60. **ARP** = address resolution protocol; basically determines the destination MAC address given its IP; it's not used for determining the IP when the MAC is known; uses broadcast
- 61. **NAT** = network address translation
  - a. About 64k simultaneous connections for TCP and 64k for UDP with a single LAN address (bc the port-number field is 16bits)
  - b. The outside world only sees 1 IP addr
  - c. Port forwarding is an application of it
  - d. Increases flexibility when connecting to the internet
  - e. Causes loss of end-to-end IP traceability
  - f. Reduces address overlap occurrence
- 62. **ICMP** = internet control messaging protocol
  - a. Signaling protocol error reporting, pings
    - i. Dest network unreachable the router cannot route to a network, it has no idea about it
    - ii. **Dest host unreachable** the (final) destination cannot be reached, maybe it's protected by firewall or sth
    - iii. Dest protocol unreachable an IP connection can be established, but not a TCP / UDP (perhaps a firewall again)
    - iv. Bad ip header checksum doesn't correspond
  - b. its data is mostly useless, it's there to ensure that there's been no modifications to the packet in transit
  - c. Encapsulated within IP datagrams
- 63. Traceroute
  - a. is a diagnostic tool for displaying the path and measuring transit delays of packets across an IP network
  - b. It first sends a packet (usually ICMP) with TTL = 1 => we get the first router, TTL = 2 => second ... and so on
- 64. **UDP = user datagram protocol**

- a. Process to process comunication
- b. Header = 8 bytes (just for it, there are also 20 bytes from IP, and others from the app layer)
  - i. Source port + dest port (16 bits each)
  - ii. Length = 16 bits, of the entire datagram
  - iii. Checksum = 16 bits, computed over the header + data of UDP + IP
- c. The datagrams' integrity is only checked when reaching the (final) destination
- d. No congestion control (as opposed to TCP), so it can overflow
- e. Datagram delivery is not guaranteed
- f. Uses the socket SOCK DGRAM

## 65. **TCP = transmission control protocol**

- a. Ordered data transfer, retransmission of lost packets => error-free
- b. It has flow control (as opposed to UDP), so no party can overflow the other; traffic is controlled by the OS
- c. It writes to a **stream** of bytes, while UDP writes **packets**
- d. Uses the socket SOCK STREAM
- e. Header = 20 bytes (+ the 20 from IP and others from the app layer)
  - i. Source port + dest port (16 bits each)
  - ii. Sequence number = 32bits, counts the amount of bytes exchanged over that connection
  - iii. Acknowledgement number = 32bits, the index of the next expected byte
  - iv. Header length = 4bits, it counts how many 32bit entities are there: also called **data offset**
  - v. Flags = 6 bits
    - 1. ACK; 1 if the acknowledgement number is ok
    - 2. SYN synchronize when creating the connection
    - 3. FIN final, when closing a connection
  - vi. Window size = 16 bits, for flow control (how much space left in the buffer of the receiver)
  - vii. Checksum = 16bits, same algorithm as IP, also 'uses' header + data from IP and TCP
  - viii. Urgent pointer = 16bits, not frequently used
- f. When initialised, a TCP connection needs a **state**, at the kernel level for both sender / receiver
  - i. Starting sequence number (sent)
  - ii. Received sequence number
  - iii. 2 buffers (queues), one for sending, one for receiving

- g. Receiver window -
- h. A segment is retransmitted if a timer expires; the timer is changed according to previous results
  - i. **RTT** = round-trip delay time;
  - ii. **estimatedRTT** = (1 a) \* previous\_estiamatedRTT + a \* sampleRTT; a = 0.125 usually

  - iv. **Timeout interval** = estimatedRTT + 4 \* devRTT
- i. Congestion = too much data is sent too fast for the network to handle; symptoms = lost packets, long delays
  - i. <u>Network-assisted congestion control</u> = the router provides info about the current situation to its end points, rarely used
  - ii. End-end congestion control the congestion status is inferred
  - iii. Congestion window starts from 1; when below a threshold => grows exponentially (slow-start phase); when above => grows linearly (congestion-avoidance); it's imposed by the sender
  - iv. Triple duplicate ACK occurs => threshold = cw / 2, cw = threshold
  - v. Timeout occurs => threshold = cw / 2, cw = 1
- j. **Fairness**: k TCP sessions => each gets R / K of the bandwidth
- 66. connect() is normally called by the client in order to connect to a server
- 67. bind() is not mandatory for the client when establishing a TCP connection (when the socket is created, is gets a random IP + port by default, so it works even if we don't specify them ourselves);

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Mandatory calls	ТСР	UDP
client	connect(), socket()	socket()
server	accept(), listen(), bind(), socket()	bind(), socket()

- 69. Application layer protocols: DNS, SMTP, FTP, SSH
- 70. **DNS** = domain name system
  - a. A distributed database of domain names and IPs
  - b. Uses UDP, port 53
  - c. TLD = top level domain (.com, .ro, ...); ROTLD = Romanian TLD; subdomain = www.plm.cs.ubbcluj.com

- d. FQDN = fully qualified domain name = hostname + domain name (www.site.com)
- e. **Root DNS servers** = global, serve domains like .com, .org etc.; about 16-64 of them; they are known by all the OS which allow DNS
- f. **Resolver** = the software component that translates IP to hostname
- g. Iterative website query: local DNS server -> a root DNS s -> local DNS -> the DNS s for the domain obtained above -> local DNS -> the DNS s of the website -sends its IP to-> local DNS -> access the website by its IP
- h. Recursive website query: instead of returning info back to the local DNS at every step, that server goes directly to the next one (ex. from root DNS to the domain DNS)
  - Not frequent in practice, bc those servers basically do the work of our local DNS s
- 71. A DNS server can be a default gateway
- 72. The dot in www.site.com is unrelated to the dot in an IP address
- 73. **ICANN** = Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers supervises all the *domain registrars* = companies that register domain names (ex. rnc.ro)
- 74. Whois query used for checking if a domain name is already bought
- 75. It's recommended that we have at least 2 DNS servers for a domain name, in case one fails (if possible not in the same location, bc earthquakes / fires / tzanca uraganu)
  - a. There's a primary / master one, the others are secondary / slaves and are periodically synchronized with the master
- 76. **Resource records** = (domain name, TTL, class, type, value);
  - a. Types:
    - i. **A** = hostname for an IP add
    - ii. **NS** = domain
    - iii. **CNAME** = alias for (canonical) real name
    - iv. **MX** = name of mailserver for that domain
    - v. **SOA** = start of authority
- 77. **Query DNS packet** = QName (hostname) + QType (A, MX...) + QClass (type of addressing, IN = internet)
- 78. **FTP** = file transfer protocol
  - a. Exchange files between 2 machines
  - b. It's a text protocol
  - c. 2 modes: active and passive
  - d. SMB or SAMBA protocols
  - e. 2 channels control (command) and data

- f. Not encrypted
- 79. **SMTP** = simple mail transfer protocol
  - a. Text protocol, implemented by MX servers
  - b. Uses TCP
  - c. Works on port = 25
  - d. Allows for offline msg exchanging
  - e. When configuring email clients, an Internet address for an SMTP server must be entered
  - f. Used for reading mails:
    - i. **POP3** = post office protocol
    - ii. **IMAP** = internet mail access protocol
- 80. **HTTP** = hypertext transfer protocol
  - a. Works on port = 80
  - b. Is human readable
  - c. Also involved in sending email