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Principles and Architecture of Information Systems
Chapter #6
Internet and E-Commerce



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Introduction

- The Internet provides a critical infrastructure for delivering and accessing information and services
- Originally developed as a document-management system, the World Wide Web has grown to become a primary source of news and information, an indispensible conduit for commerce, and a popular hub for social interaction, entertainment, and communication
- The Internet and Web provide numerous resources for finding information, communicating and collaborating, socializing, conducting business and shopping, and being entertained



Discussion

Can you name some Internet utilities?



Why Learn About the Internet?

- Businesses use the Internet to:
- Sell and advertise their products and services, reaching out to new and existing customers
- People working in every field and at every level use the Internet in their work
- Most companies have Internet sites that:
- List job opportunities, descriptions, qualifications, salaries, and benefits



Popular uses for the Internet and Web

- Publishing information
- Assisting users in finding information
- Supporting communication and collaboration
- Building online community
- Providing software applications
- Providing a platform for expressing ideas
- Delivering media of all types
- Providing a platform for commerce
- Supporting travel and navigation



Use and Functioning of the Internet

- ARPANET:
- Ancestor of the Internet
- Project started by the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) in 1969
- Internet Protocol (IP):
- Enables computers to route communications traffic from one network to another



Internet growth





How the Internet works

- Backbone:
- One of the Internet's high-speed, long-distance communications links
- Transmission Control Protocol (TCP):
 - Transport-layer protocol that most Internet applications use with IP
- Uniform Resource Locator (URL):
- An assigned address on the Internet for each computer

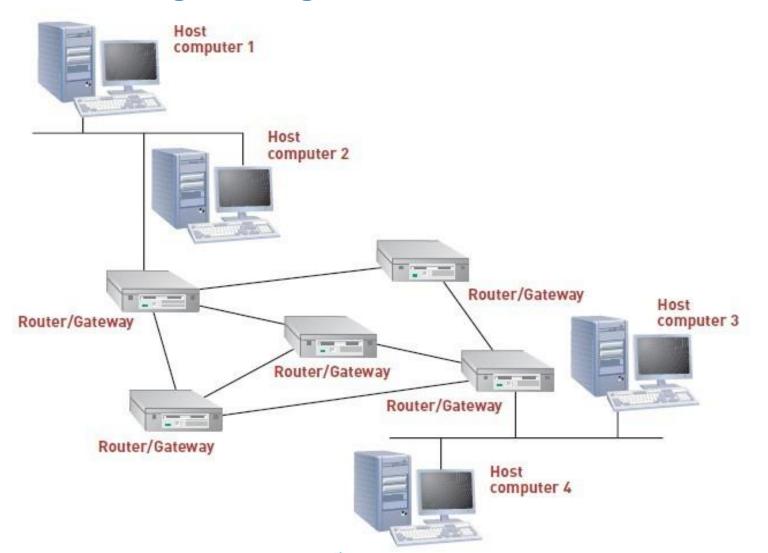


How the Internet works

- IP address:
- 64-bit number that identifies a computer on the Internet
- Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)
- Responsible for managing IP addresses and Internet domain names (.com, .fr, .org...)
- Has authority to resolve domain name disputes



Routing messages over the Internet



Cloud Computing

- Computing environment in which:
- Software and storage are provided as an Internet service and accessed with a Web browser
- Extremely scalable and often takes advantage of virtualization technologies
- Advantages to businesses:
- Businesses can save on system design, installation, and maintenance
- Employees can access corporate systems from any Internet-connected computer



The World Wide Web

- Developed by Tim Berners-Lee at CERN in Geneva in 1992
- Originally conceived of as an internal document- management system
- The Web has grown to become:
- A primary source of news and information
- An indispensable conduit for commerce
- A popular hub for social interaction, entertainment, and communication





How the Web Works

The Internet:

 Made up of computers, network hardware such as routers and fiber-optic cables, software, and the TCP/IP protocols

The Web:

Consists of server and client software, the Hypertext Transfer Protocol (http), standards,
 and mark-up languages that combine to deliver information and services over the Internet





How the Web Works

- Hyperlink:
- Highlighted text or graphics in a Web document that, when clicked, opens a new Web page
- Web browser:
 - Web client software such as Internet Explorer, Firefox, and Safari used to view Web pages
- Hypertext Markup Language (HTML):
- Standard page description language for Web pages







How the Web Works

- HTML tags:
- Tell the Web browser how to format text
- Extensible Markup Language (XML):
- Markup language for Web documents containing structured information
- Cascading Style Sheet (CSS):
- Markup language that defines the visual appearance of content in a Web page





Web Programming Languages

- Java:
 - Object-oriented programming language from Sun Microsystems based on C++
 - Allows small programs (applets) to be embedded within an HTML document
- Other languages:
- Asynchronous JavaScript and XML (AJAX)
- Hypertext Preprocessor (PHP)
- Adobe Flash and Microsoft Silverlight





Web Services

- Standards and tools that streamline and simplify communication among Web sites
- XML: The key to Web services
- Other components used in Web service applications:
 - SOAP (Simple Object Access Protocol)
 - WSDL (Web Services Description Language)
 - UDDI (Universal Discovery Description and Integration)



Search Engines and Web Research

- Search engine:
- Enables you to find information on the Web by specifying keywords
- Market is dominated by Google
- Uses an automated approach that scours the Web with automated programs called spiders
- Wikipedia:
- Can be used for online research
- Wikimedia:
- Has wikis for books, news, media, and open learning



Communication and Collaboration

- Web Portals
- Corporate Portals
- E-mail
- Instant messaging
- Microblogging, status updates, and news feeds
- Conferencing



Online Media and entertainment

- Podcast
- Music streaming
- Movies, video, and television
- E-books and audio books
- Online games
- Travel agencies
- Google map



Intranet and Extranet

Туре	Users	Need User ID and Password?
Internet	Anyone	No
Intranet	Employees and managers	Yes
Extranet	Business partners	Yes



E-Commerce

- Electronic commerce:
- Conducting business activities electronically over computer networks
- Business activities that are strong candidates for conversion to e-commerce:
- Paper based
- Time-consuming
- Inconvenient for customers



Business-to-Business (B2B) E-Commerce

- Subset of e-commerce
- All the participants are organizations
- Useful tool for connecting business partners in a virtual supply chain to cut resupply times and reduce costs
- An organization will use both:
- Buy-side e-commerce to purchase goods and services and
- Sell-side e-commerce to sell products to its customers



Business-to-Consumer (B2C) E-Commerce

- Form of e-commerce in which customers deal directly with an organization and avoid intermediaries
- Disintermediation: The elimination of intermediate organizations between the producer and the consumer



Consumer-to-Consumer (C2C) E-Commerce

- Subset of e-commerce that involves consumers selling directly to other consumers
- Popular sites: Le Bon Coin, Vinted, BlaBlaCar, AirBnB
- Etsy is a C2C Web site that:
- Specializes in the buying and selling of handmade and vintage items
- Facilitates sales worth more than \$10 million each month



Multistage model for e-Commerce





Multistage Model for E-Commerce

- Search and identification
- Selection and negotiation
- Purchasing products and services electronically
- Product and service delivery
- After-sales service



Defining an Effective E-Commerce Model and Strategy



Advantages of Electronic and Mobile Commerce

What are the advantages ?



Advantages of Electronic and Mobile Commerce

- Reduce costs
- Speed the flow of goods and information
- Increase accuracy
- Improve customer service



Investment and Finance

- The Internet has revolutionized the world of investment and finance
- The brokerage business adapted to the Internet faster than any other arm of finance – Disruption
- Online banking customers:
 - Can check balances of their savings, checking, and loan accounts
- Transfer money among accounts
- Pay their bills



Threats to Electronic and Mobile Commerce

- Businesses must ensure that e-commerce and m-commerce transactions are safe and consumers are protected
- Methods to increase security:
- Address Verification System
- Card Verification Number technique
- Visa's Advanced Authorization process
- Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council's "Authentication in an Internet Banking Environment" guidelines



Strategies for Successful E-Commerce and M-Commerce

- Companies must develop effective Web sites that include the following characteristics:
 - Easy to use
 - Accomplish the goals of the company
 - Safe and secure
- Affordable to set up and maintain



Measures to attract customers

- Obtain and register a domain name
- Make your site search-engine friendly
- Include a meta tag in your store's home page
- Building Traffic to Your Web Site
- Use Web site traffic data analysis software
- Provide quality, keyword-rich content
- Add new content to the Web site on a regular basis
- Acquire links to your site



E-Commerce Software

- Catalog management
- Product configuration
- Shopping cart
- E-commerce transaction processing
- Web traffic data analysis

