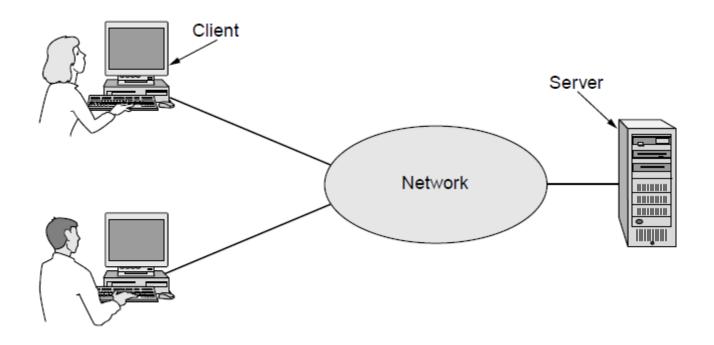
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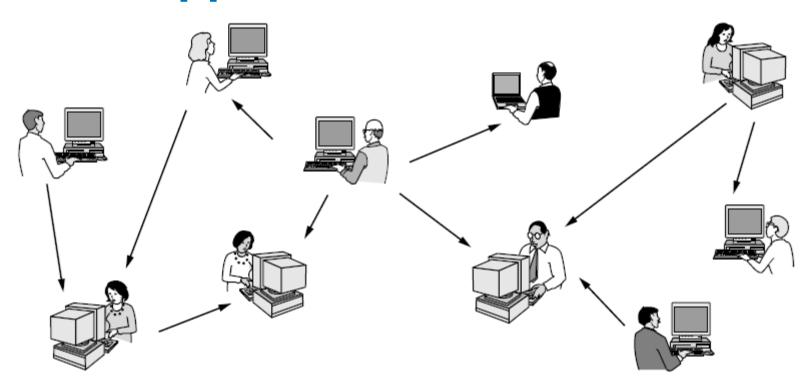
A network with two clients and one server



Business Applications

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Home Applications



In a peer-to-peer system there are no fixed clients and servers.

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Some forms of e-commerce

Tag	Full name	Example
B2C	Business-to-consumer	Ordering books online
B2B	Business-to-business	Car manufacturer ordering tires from supplier
G2C	Government-to-consumer	Government distributing tax forms electronically
C2C	Consumer-to-consumer	Auctioning second-hand products online
P2P	Peer-to-peer	Music sharing

Networks

- Local Area Network (LAN) that spans a single building or campus
- Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) that spans a single city
- Wide Area Network (WAN) that spans sites in multiple cities, countries, or continents
- The internet

Interprocessor distance	Processors located in same	Example
1 m	Square meter	Personal area network
10 m	Room	
100 m	Building	Local area network
1 km	Campus	
10 km	City	Metropolitan area network
100 km	Country	
1000 km	Continent	├ ├ Wide area network
10,000 km	Planet	The Internet