



# 22AIE204 COMPUTER NETWORKS

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# NETWORK ACCESS LAYER



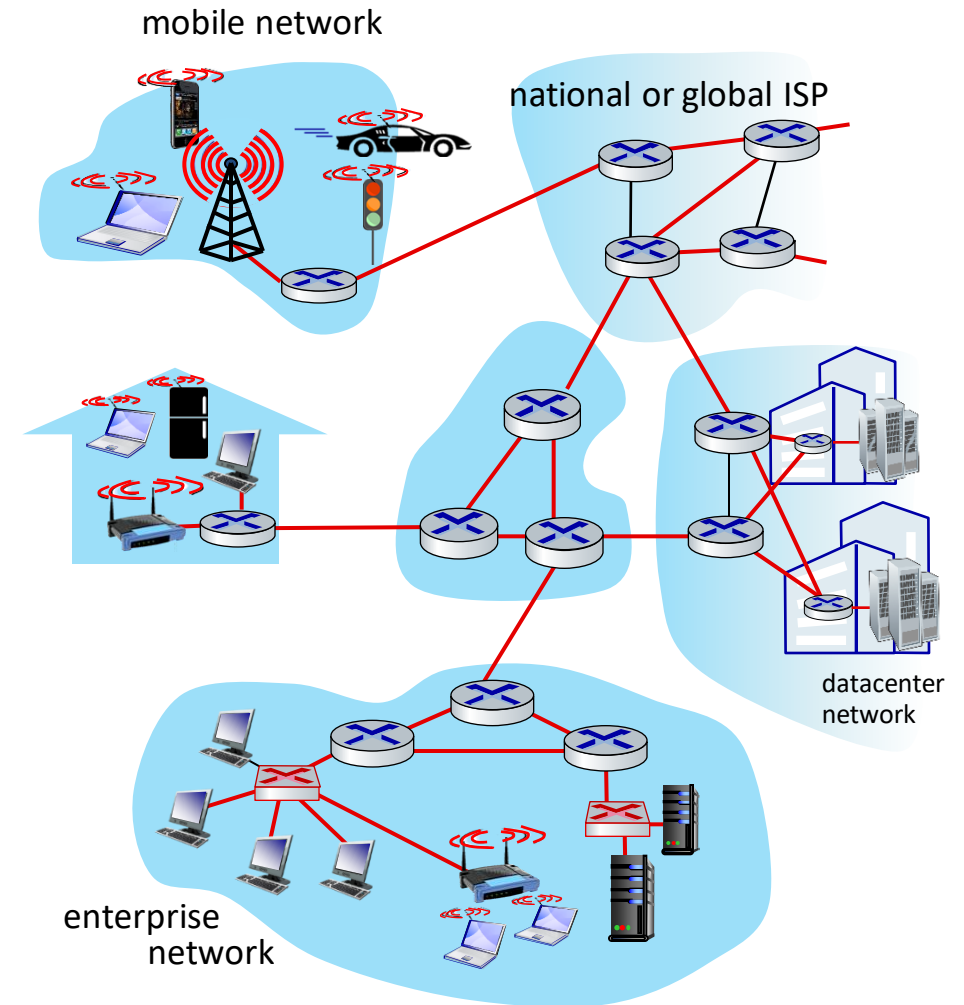
- **Data Link Layer**
- **Physical Layer**

# Link layer: introduction

terminology:

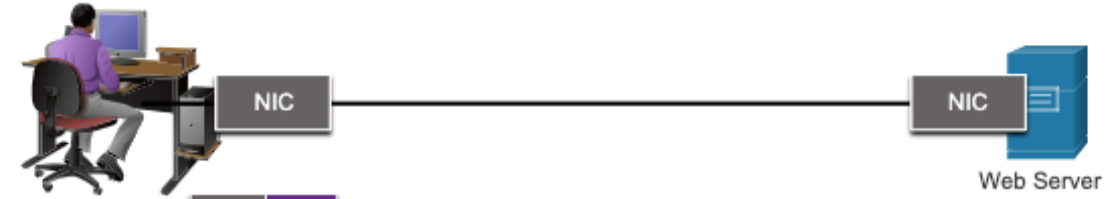
- hosts, routers: **nodes**
- communication channels that connect **adjacent** nodes along communication path: **links**
  - wired , wireless
  - LANs
- layer-2 packet: **frame**, encapsulates datagram

*link layer has responsibility of transferring datagram from one node to **physically adjacent** node over a link*



# Purpose of Data Link Layer (Layer 2)

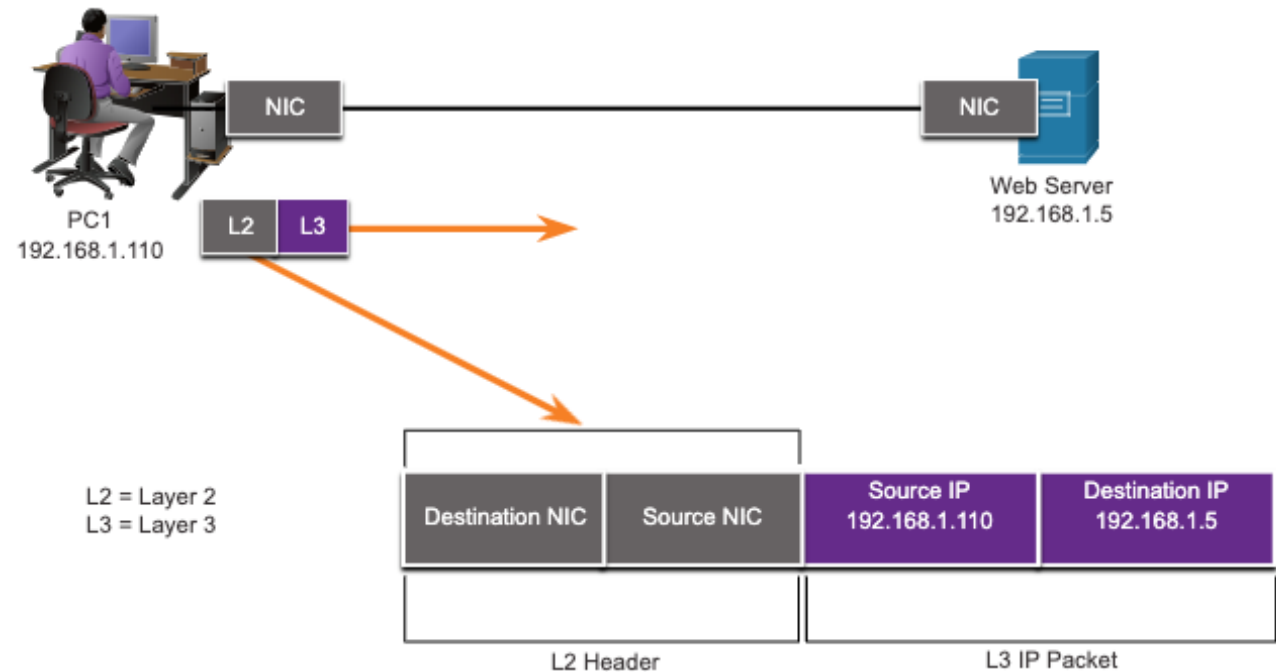
- **Responsible** for transferring data frame from one node to physically adjacent node over a link.
  - **Node** - hosts/end devices and routers
  - **Link** – Communication channels that connect the adjacent nodes
- Above layers of Data Link are Network **Media independent**
- Data Link Layer has **both software and hardware** portions and dependent on the type of network.
- Data Link Layer is Responsible for **communications between nodes** through network interface cards.
- **Prepares** network **data** for the physical network





# Data Link Layer Services

- Framing/Link Access
  - The Protocol Data Unit (PDU) of Layer 2 is Frame and Layer3 is packet.
  - **Encapsulates** Layer 3 packets (IPv4 and IPv6) into Layer 2 Frames, adding header and trailer.
  - MAC address used in frame headers to identify source and destination in the link
  - MAC address keeps on changing in each hop/link, but IP addresses do not



# Data Link Layer Services

- **Reliable delivery** between adjacent nodes
  - Fiber, some twisted pair cables – low bit error link
  - Wireless links – high error rates
  - Flow control – pacing between adjacent sending and receiving nodes
- **Error detection**
  - Errors caused by signal attenuation and noise
  - Receiver detects presence of errors and drop frames.
  - Sender can retransmit
- **Error correction** – receiver identifies and correct bit errors without resorting to retransmission

# Data Link Layer Services

- **Half-duplex communication**

- Only allows one device to send or receive at a time on a shared medium.
- Used on WLANs and legacy bus topologies with Ethernet hubs.

- **Full-duplex communication**

- Allows both devices to simultaneously transmit and receive on a shared medium.
- Ethernet switches operate in full-duplex mode.

# Data Link Layer Standards

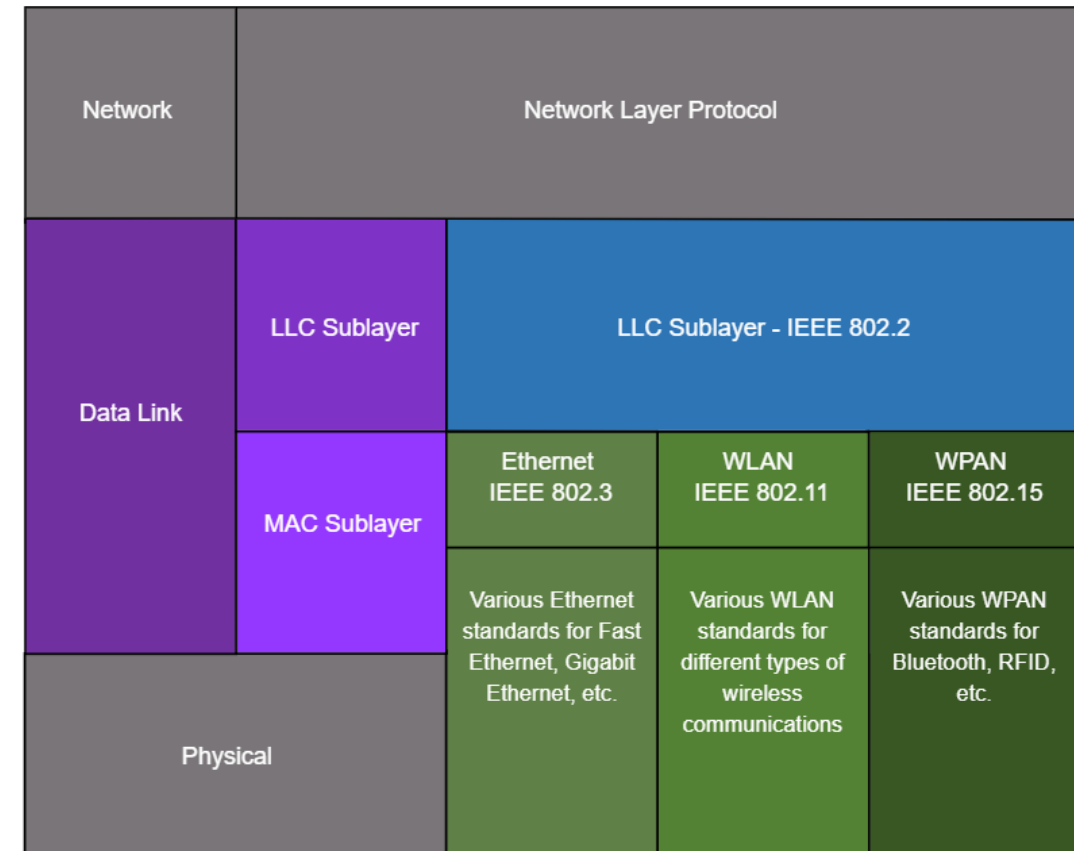
- Data link layer protocols are defined by various organizations:
  - Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE).
  - International Telecommunications Union (ITU).
  - International Organizations for Standardization (ISO).
  - American National Standards Institute (ANSI).
- IEEE 802 LAN/MAN standards are specific to the type of network (Ethernet, WLAN, WPAN, etc).





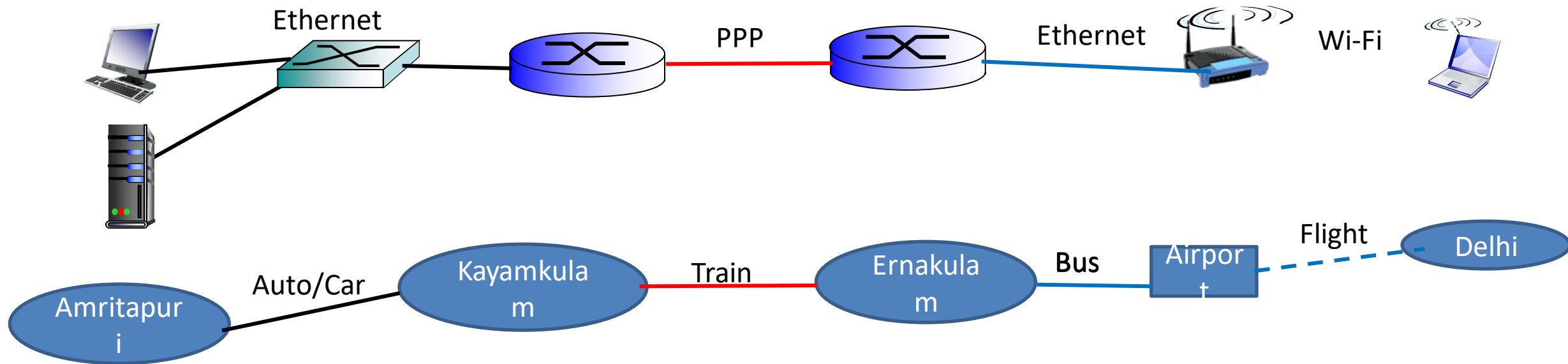
# Data Link Layer Sublayers

- The Data Link Layer consists of two sublayers. **Logical Link Control (LLC)** and **Media Access Control (MAC)**.
- The **LLC sublayer** communicates between the networking software at the upper layers and the device hardware at the lower layers.
- The **MAC sublayer** is responsible for data encapsulation and media access control.

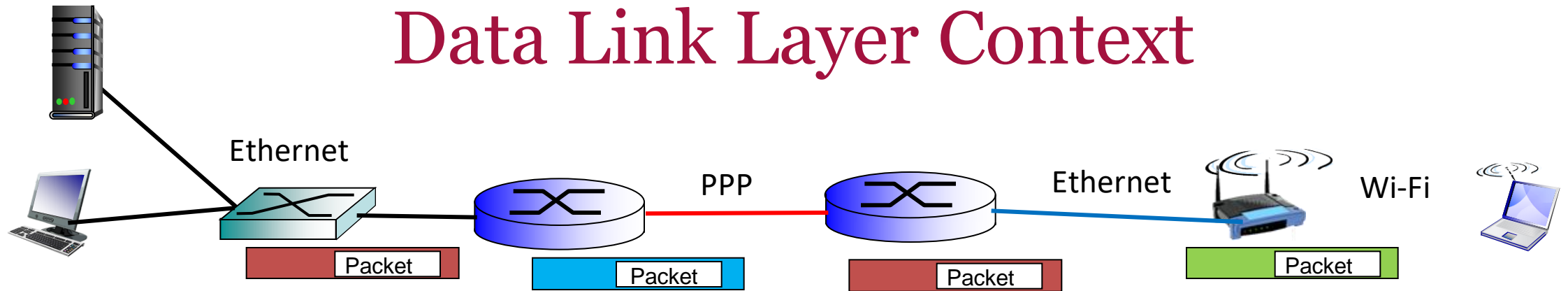


# Data Link Layer Context

- Packets are transferred by **different link** protocols over different links
- **Transportation segment** = link, transportation mode = **link protocol**



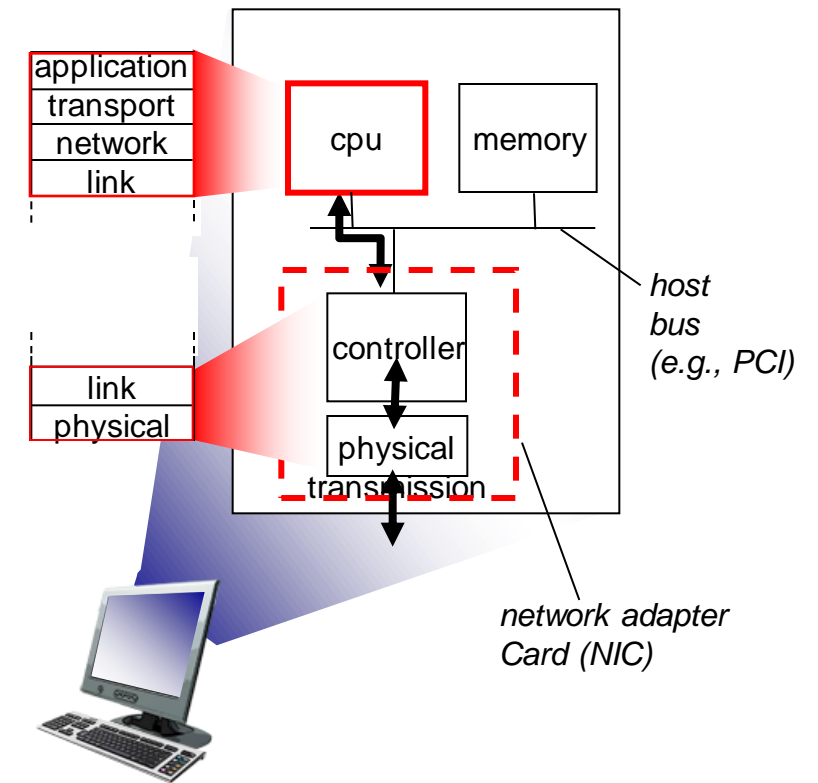
# Data Link Layer Context



- Packets exchanged between nodes experience media transitions in different links
- At each hop along the path, a router performs four basic Layer 2 functions:
  - **Accepts a frame** from the network medium.
  - **De-encapsulates** the frame to expose the encapsulated packet.
  - **Re-encapsulates** the packet into a new frame.
  - **Forwards the new frame** on the medium of the next network segment.

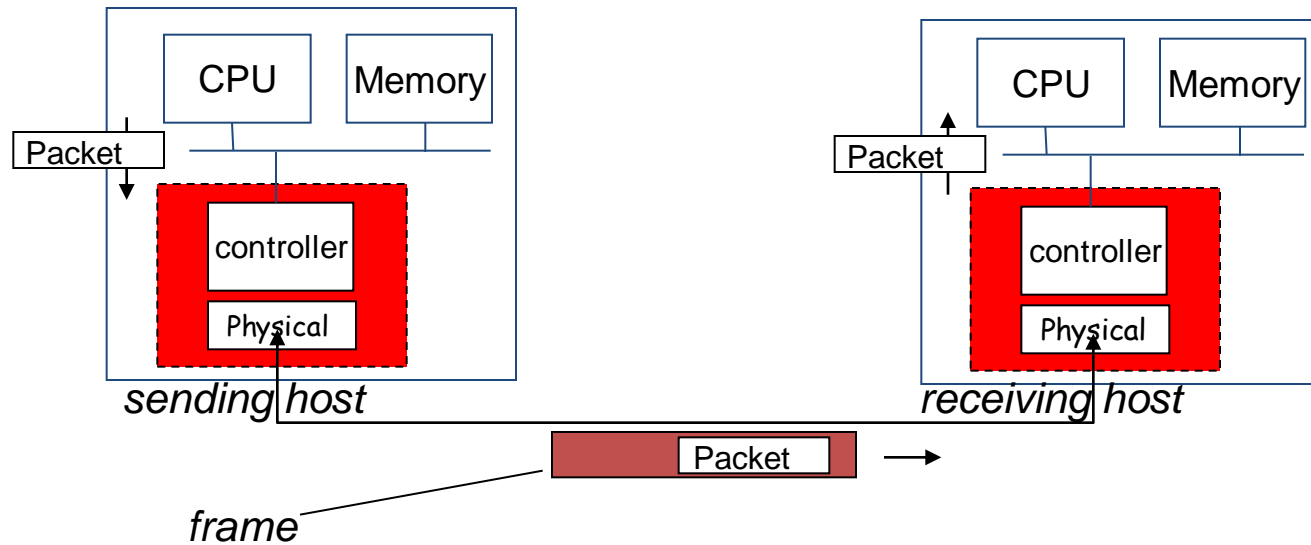
# Where is Link Layer Implemented?

- In each host (routers & end devices)
- Implemented in adapter known as **Network Interface card (NIC)**
- **NIC interfaces software** in data link layer **and hardware** in physical layer
- Attaches into host's system buses
- Ex: Wireless NIC, Wired NIC etc



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# Adapter Role in Communication



- Sending side:
  - Encapsulates packet in frame
  - adds error checking bits, reliable data transfer, flow control, etc.
- Receiving side:
  - looks for errors, rdt, flow control, etc
  - Extracts packet, passes to upper layer at receiving side



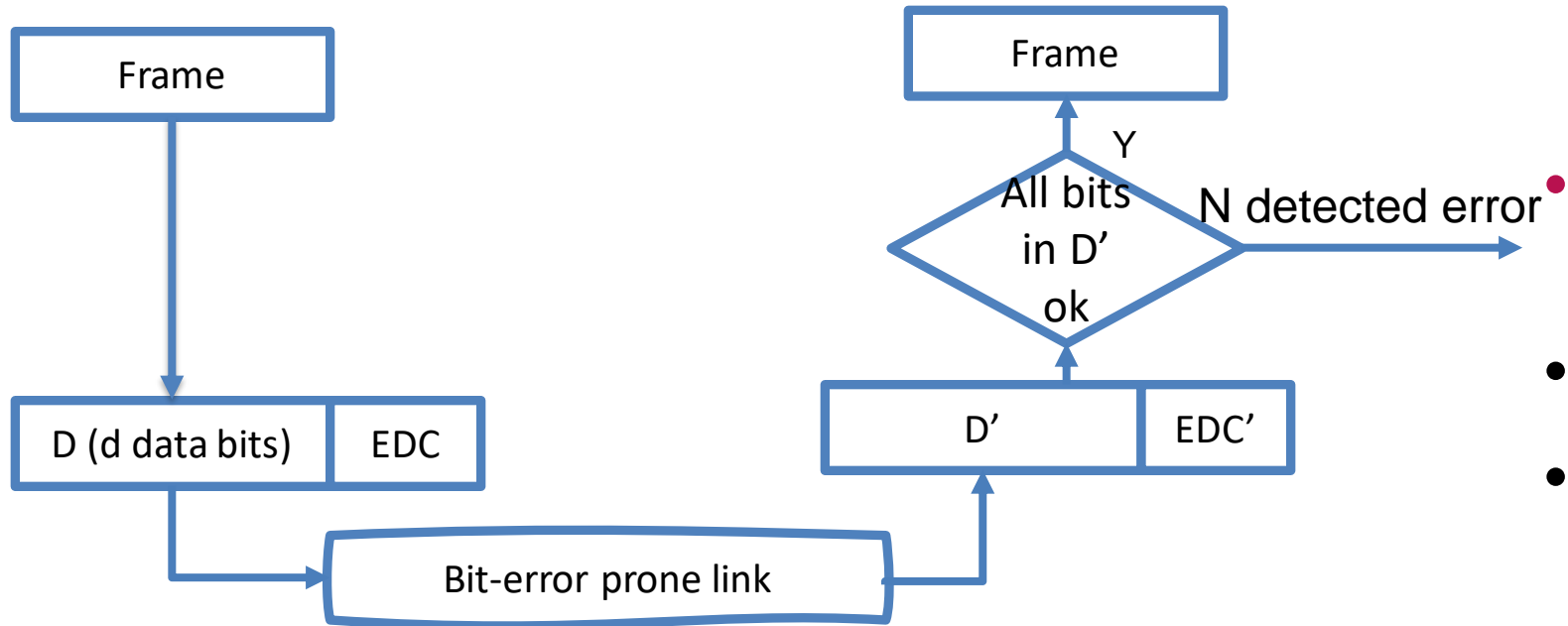
# Summary

- Data Link Layer Services
  - Framing, reliable delivery etc.
- Data Link Layer Sub layers
  - Logical Link Control layer
  - Media access control layer
- Transportation of data in different links
  - Use of adapters or NIC card
- Next we shall discuss on
  - Error detection and correction service of DLL

# Objectives in Error Control

- Understand Error Detection Correction (EDC) process
- Examine various EDC methods:
  - Single bit error detection
  - Single bit error correction
  - Easier checksum method
  - Efficient & commonly used method to detect burst errors

# Error Detection



- Error detection or correction process

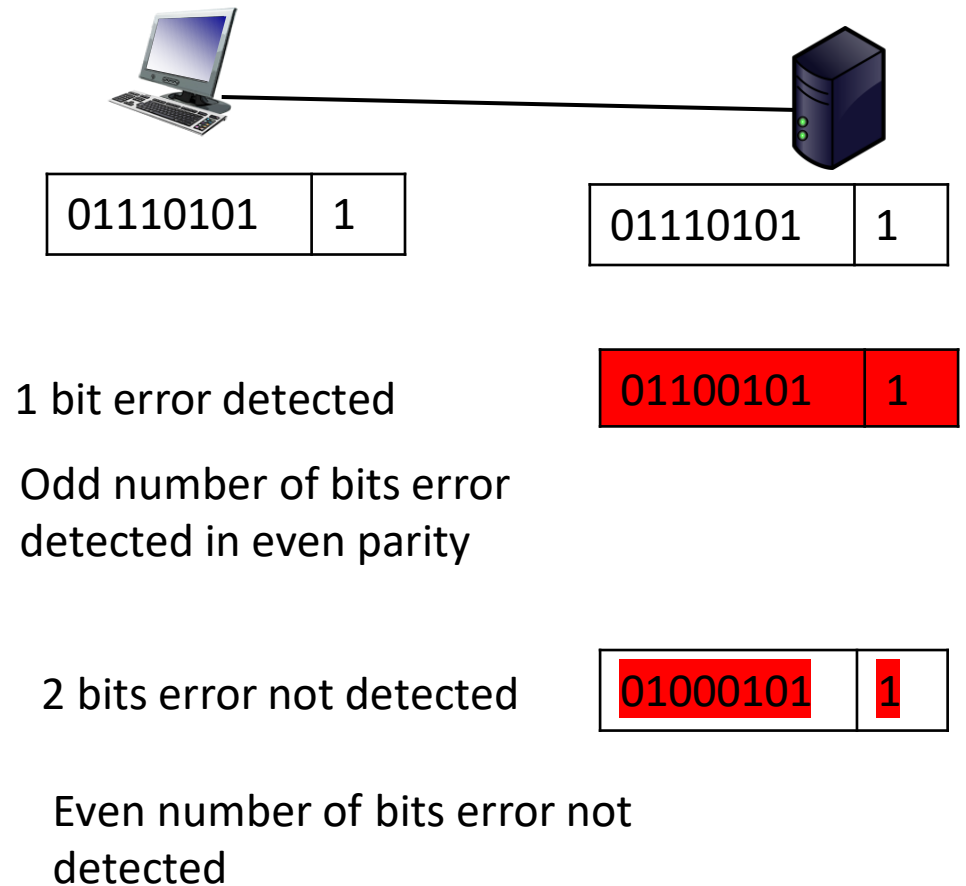
• **EDC** = Error detection Correction bits

- D = data bits
- Data protected by error checking include EDC bits in footer of the frame

- Error detection not 100% reliable!
  - Protocol may miss some errors
  - Larger EDC bits yield better detection and correction

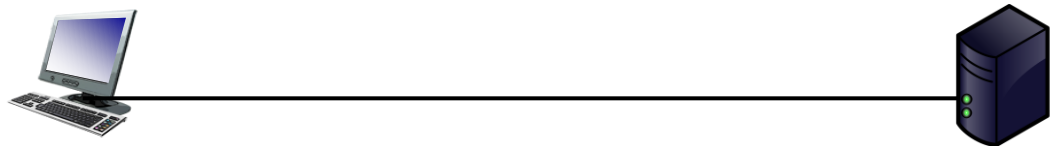
# Parity Checking

- Single bit parity for error detection
- **Parity bit** added in sender side
  - In case of even parity, if number of 1s is odd, the parity bit value is set to 1 in the sender side to have even number of 1s in the codeword (D+EDC).
- Detected for errors in the receiver side
  - At the receiver side, number of 1s are checked for even number of 1s in even parity. Even number of 1s are detected as error in this case



# Error correction using Two dimensional bit parity

- Example for detecting and correcting errors



1	0	1	1	0	
1	0	0	1	0	
1	1	1	0	1	

1	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1

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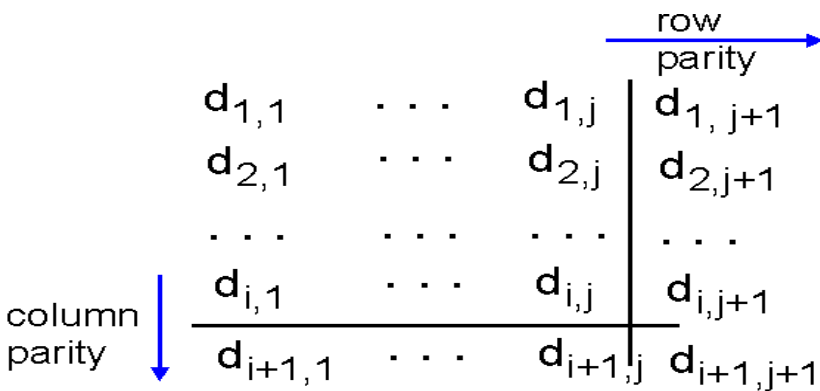
1	0	1	1	0	1
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Detecting the bit with error

1	0	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1

Corrected bit from 1 to 0

1	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1





# Internet Checksum

- Sender side
- Compute Checksum – addition of segment contents (1's complement)
- Ex: 8-bit checksum computed on 2 data segments of 8 bits
- Receiver side
- Compute sum of data bits and checksum of received segment and do 1's complement of sum
- Zero result => no error detected



1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1

data

1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
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sum

0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Checksum  
(1's complement of sum)



Data received with  
checksum

1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1

Sum

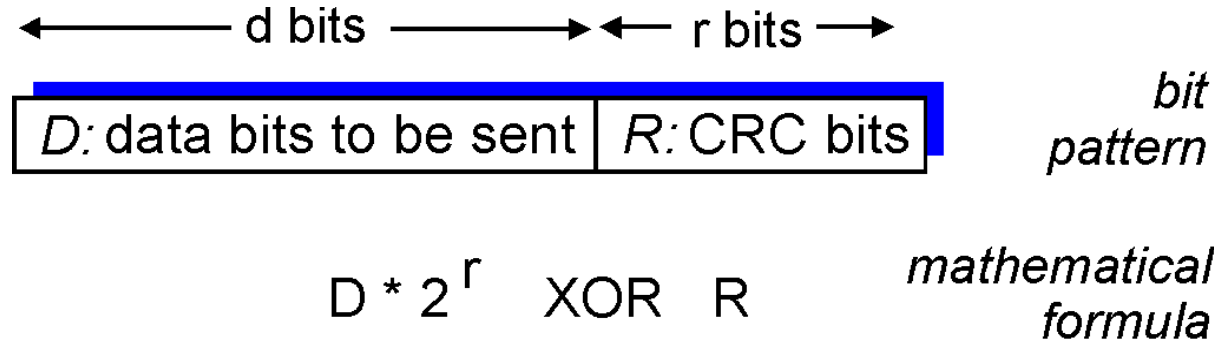
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1's complement of  
checksum

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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# Cyclic Redundancy Check

- Most powerful error detection coding



- Referring Data bits as D and Error Detection Correction bits as R
- Choose  $r + 1$  bit pattern (generator) G, known to sender & receiver
- Widely used in practice (Ethernet, 802.11, Wi-Fi, ATM)

# Cyclic Redundancy Check

- Goal: choose  $r$  CRC bits  $R$ , such that
  - $\langle D, R \rangle$  exactly divisible by  $G$  (modulo 2)
  - Receiver knows  $G$ , divides  $\langle D, R \rangle$  by  $G$
  - If there is non-zero remainder, error is detected
  - Can detect all burst errors less than  $r+1$  bits



- **Sender side**

- $D=101110$ ,  $r=3$ ,  $G=1001$
- $D \cdot 2^r = 101110000$
- $\text{Remainder} = (D \cdot 2^r) / G$
- $\text{Remainder} = 011$
- **Data sent = 101110011**

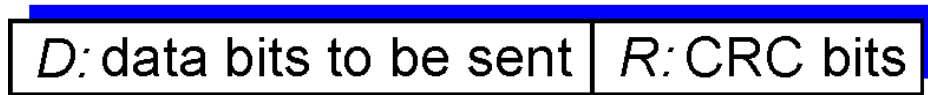
- **Receiver side**

- Data received = 101110011
- This divided by  $G=1001$
- Since  $\text{Remainder} = 0$
- There is No error

# Cyclic Redundancy Check

- Required:  $D \cdot 2^r \text{ XOR } R = nG$
- Equivalently,  $D \cdot 2^r = nG \text{ XOR } R$
- Similar to, if we divide  $D \cdot 2^r$  by  $G$ ,

← d bits → ← r bits →



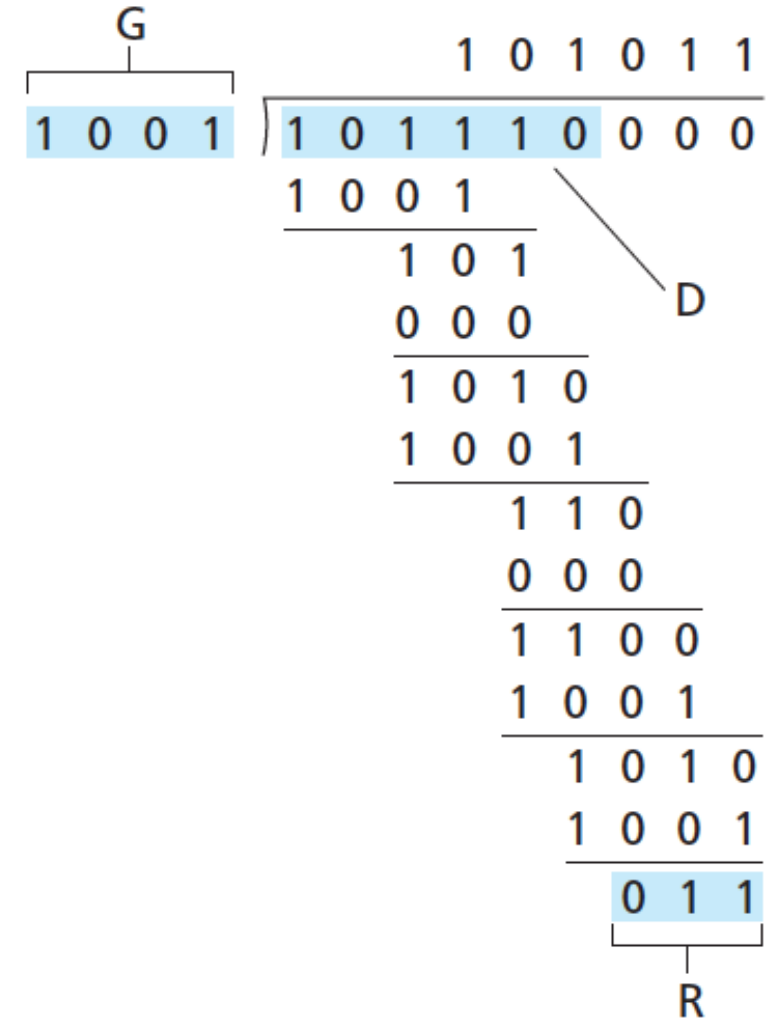
*bit  
pattern*

$$D \cdot 2^r \text{ XOR } R$$

*mathematical  
formula*

- Want remainder  $R$  to satisfy

$$R = \text{remainder}\left[\frac{D \cdot 2^r}{G}\right]$$



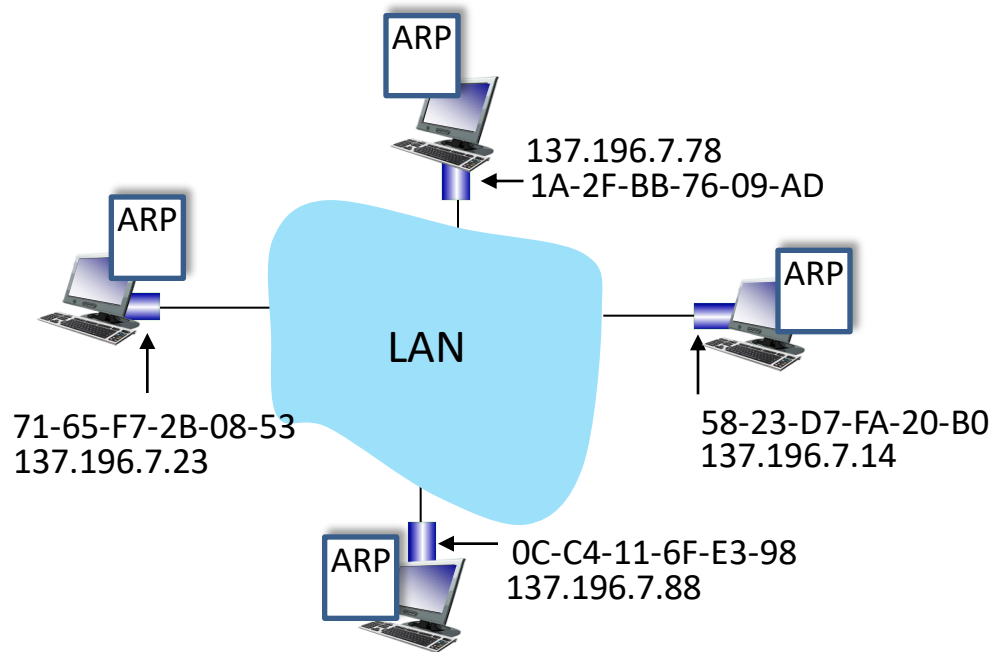
# Summary

- Algorithm for Error detection and correction
- Error detection using parity
- Error correction using two-dimensional bit parity
- Analyzed Error detection method using Checksum
- Evaluated Cyclic redundancy check (CRC) method



# ARP: address resolution protocol

*Question:* how to determine interface's MAC address, knowing its IP address?



**ARP table:** each IP node (host, router) on LAN has table

- IP/MAC address mappings for some LAN nodes:  
< IP address; MAC address; TTL >
- TTL (Time To Live): time after which address mapping will be forgotten (typically 20 min)

# ARP protocol in action

example: A wants to send datagram to B

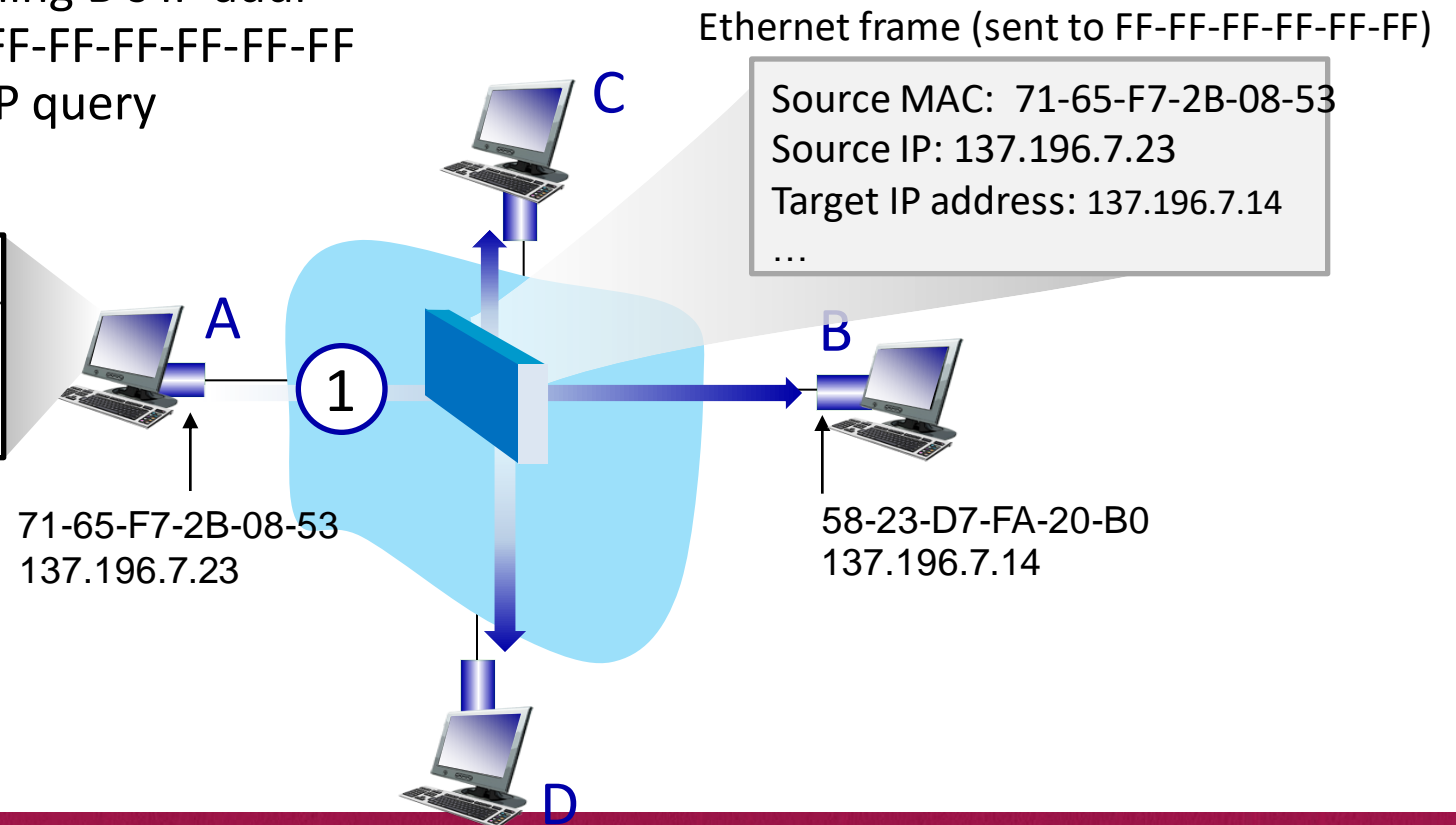
- B's MAC address not in A's ARP table, so A uses ARP to find B's MAC address

A broadcasts ARP query, containing B's IP addr

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- destination MAC address = FF-FF-FF-FF-FF-FF
  - all nodes on LAN receive ARP query

ARP table in A

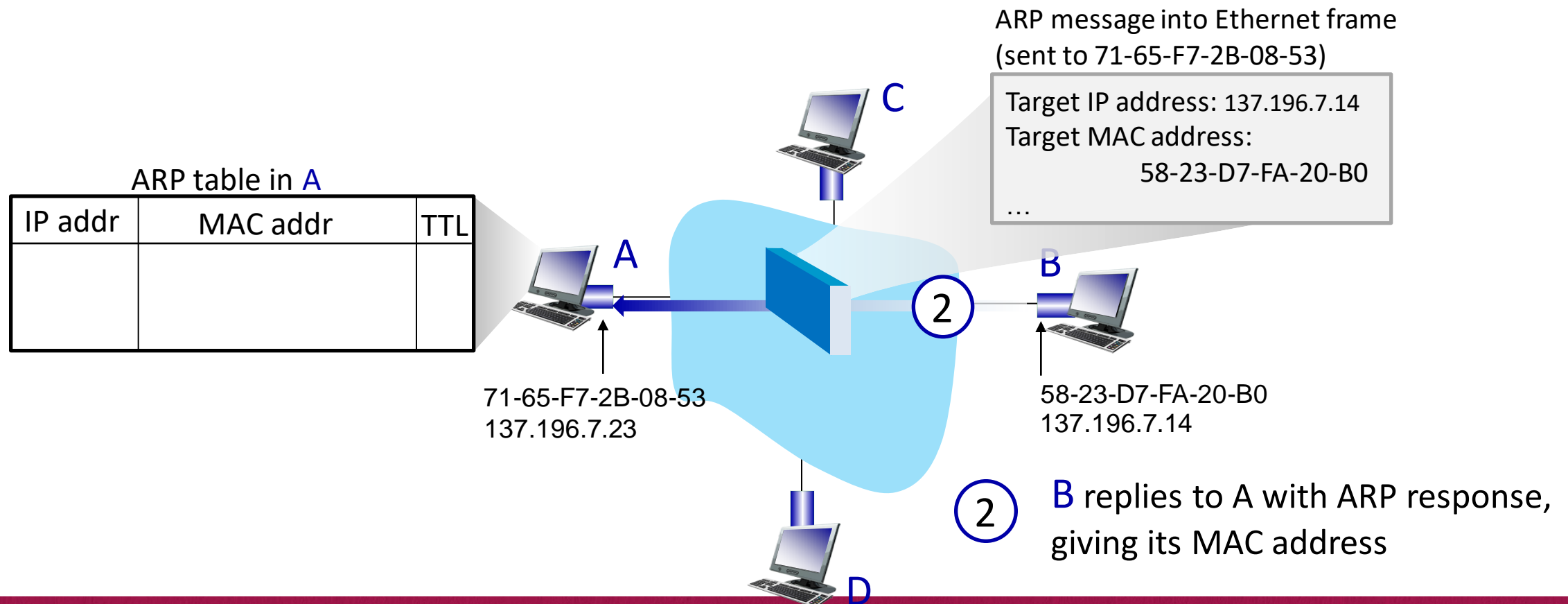
IP addr	MAC addr	TTL



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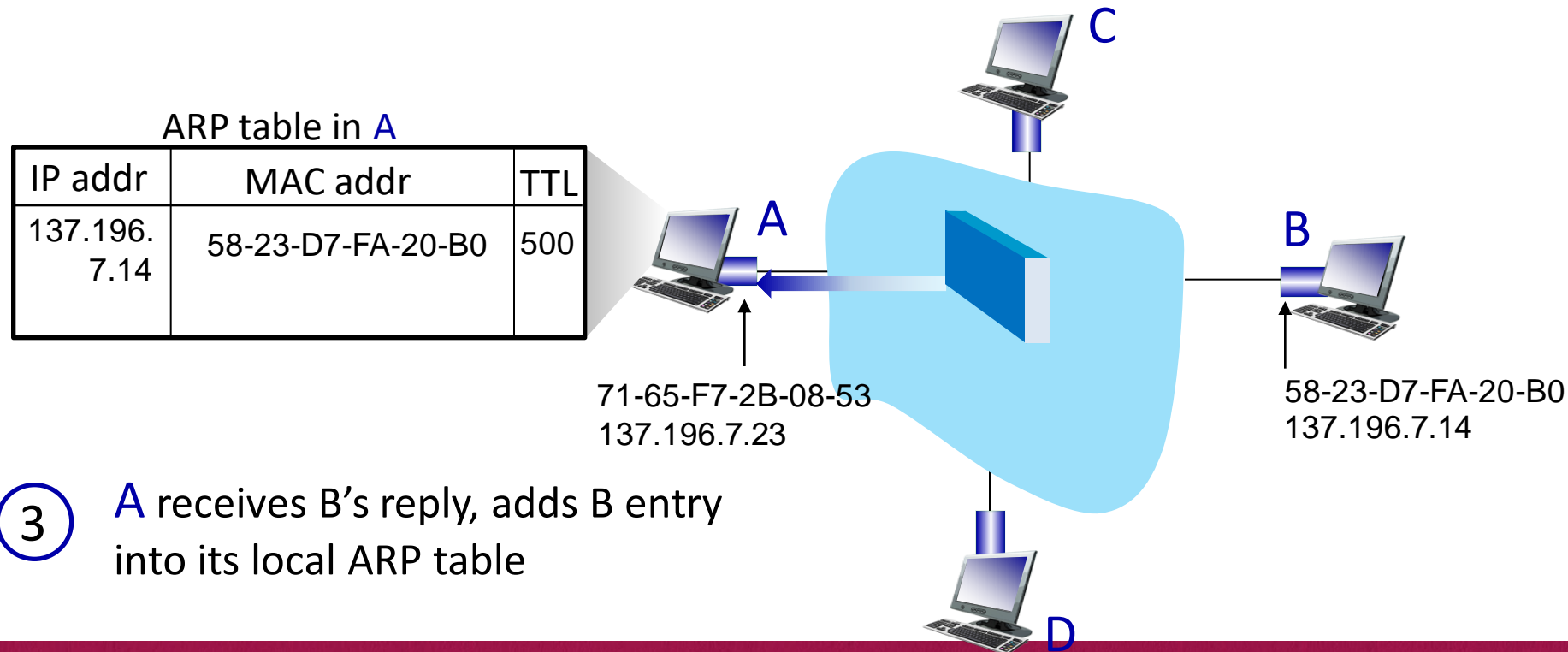
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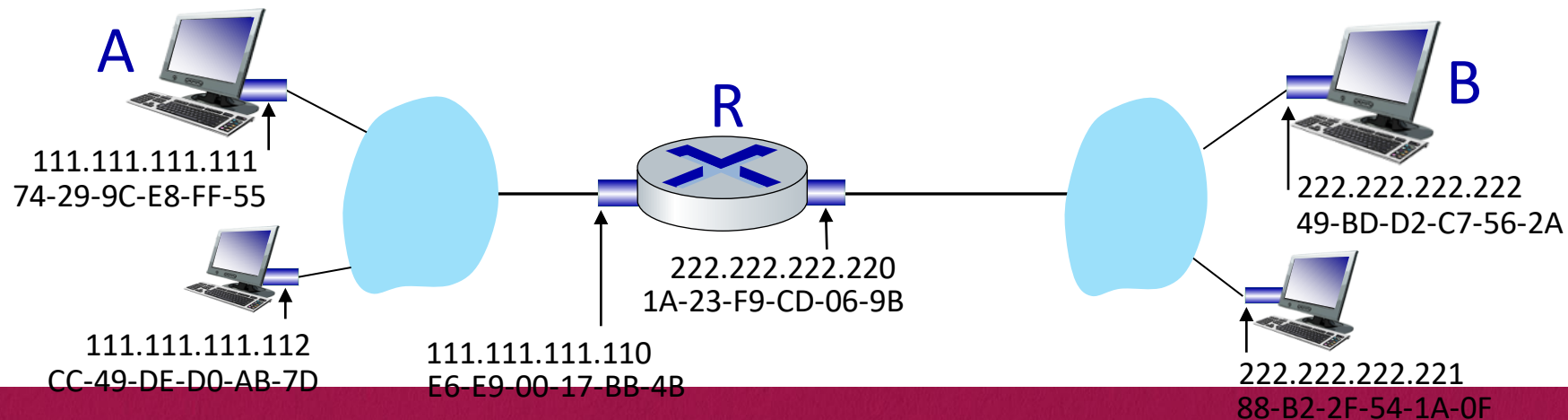
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# Routing to another subnet: addressing

walkthrough: sending a datagram from *A* to *B* via *R*

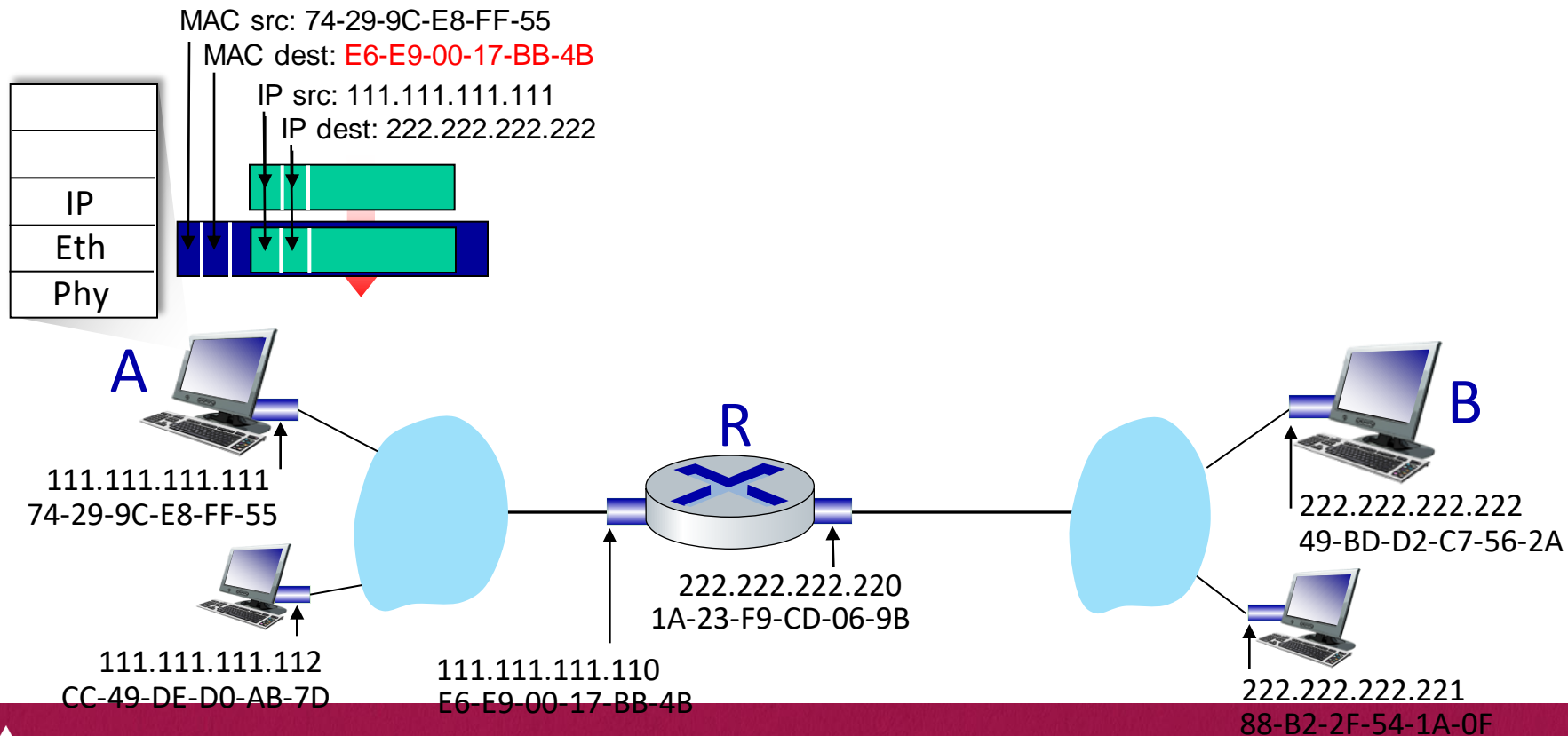
- focus on addressing – at IP (datagram) and MAC layer (frame) levels
- assume that:
  - A knows B's IP address
  - A knows IP address of first hop router, R (how?)
  - A knows R's MAC address (how?)





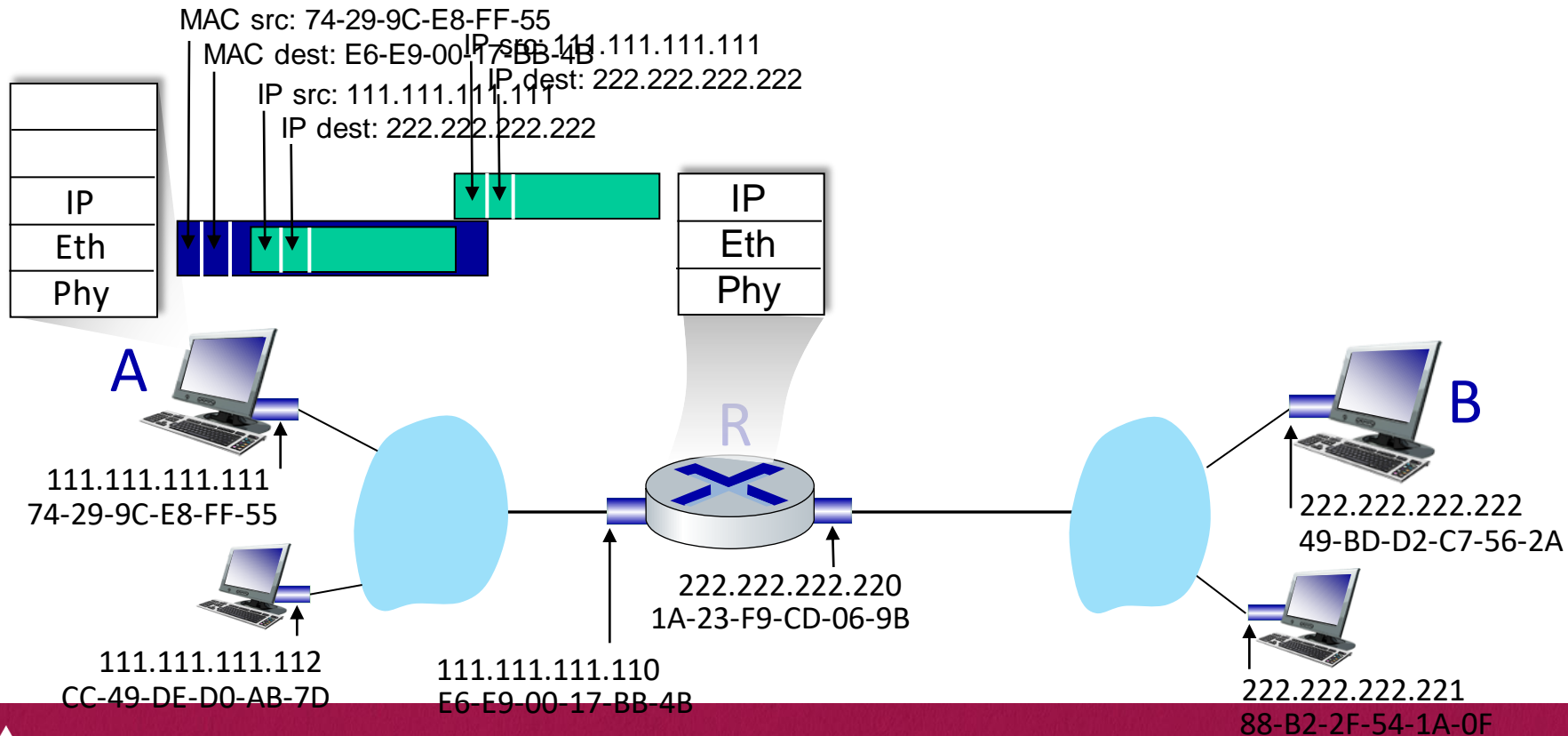
# Routing to another subnet: addressing

- A creates IP datagram with IP source A, destination B
- A creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram
  - **R's** MAC address is frame's destination



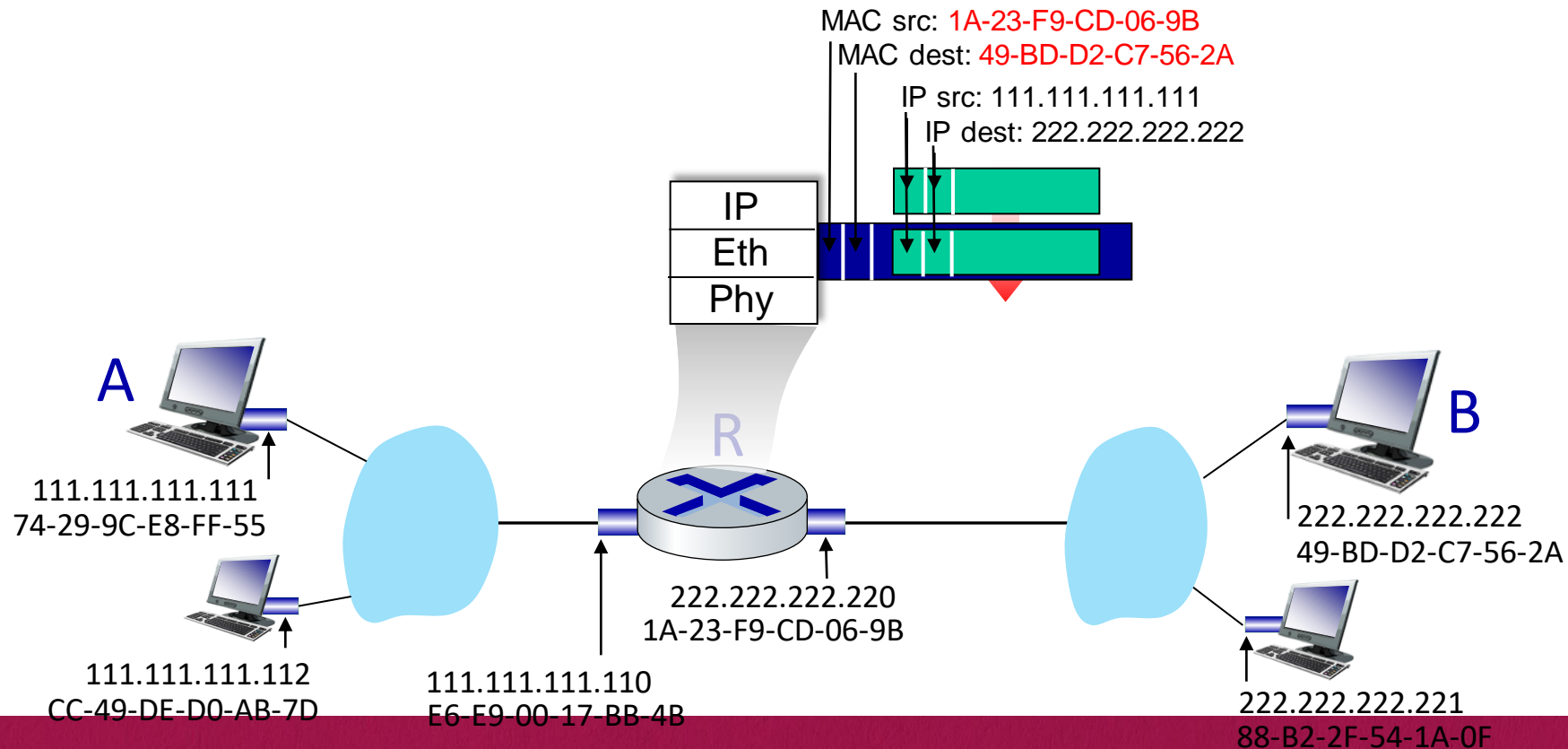
# Routing to another subnet: addressing

- frame sent from A to R
- frame received at R, datagram removed, passed up to IP



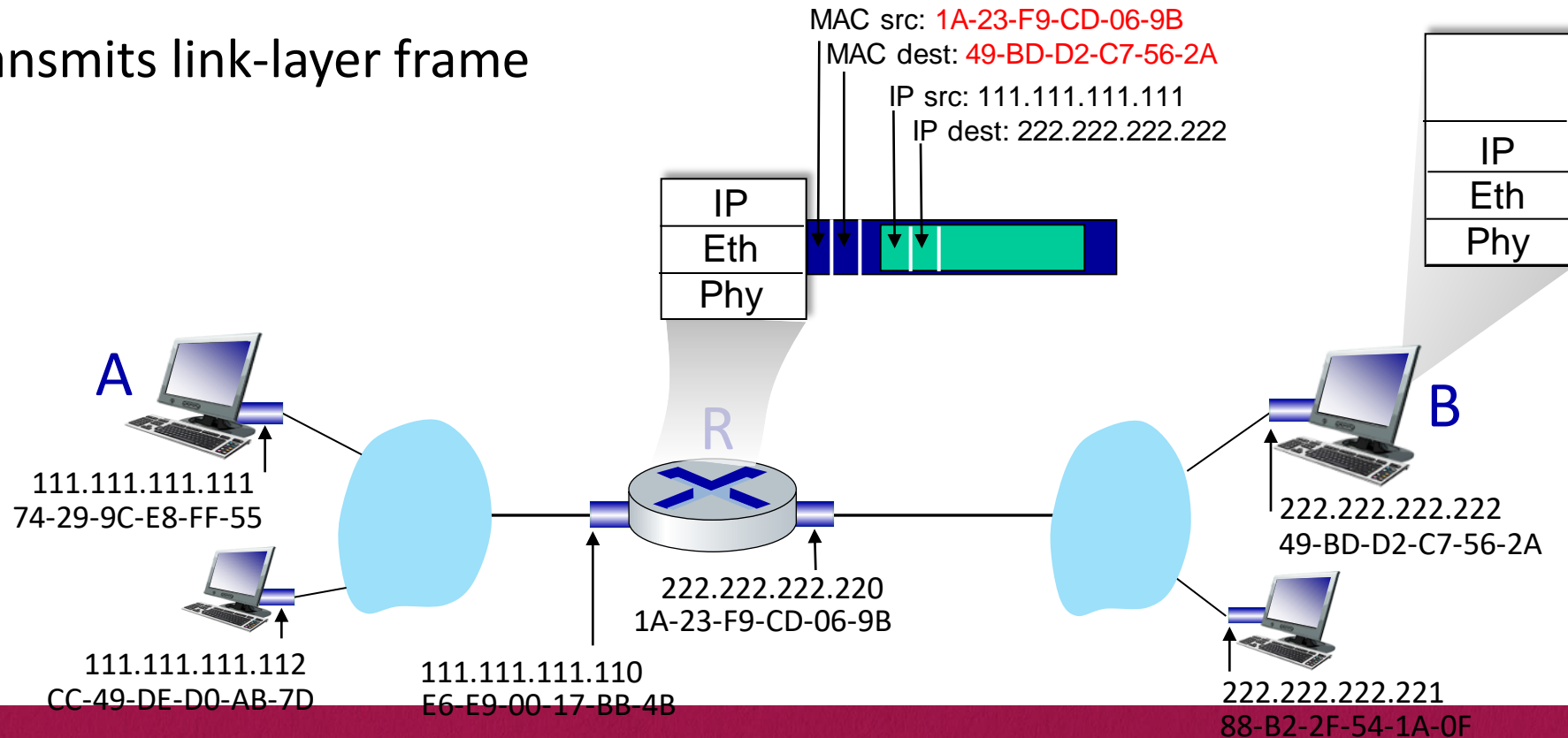
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- R determines outgoing interface, passes datagram with IP source A, destination B to link layer
- R creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram. Frame destination address: B's MAC address



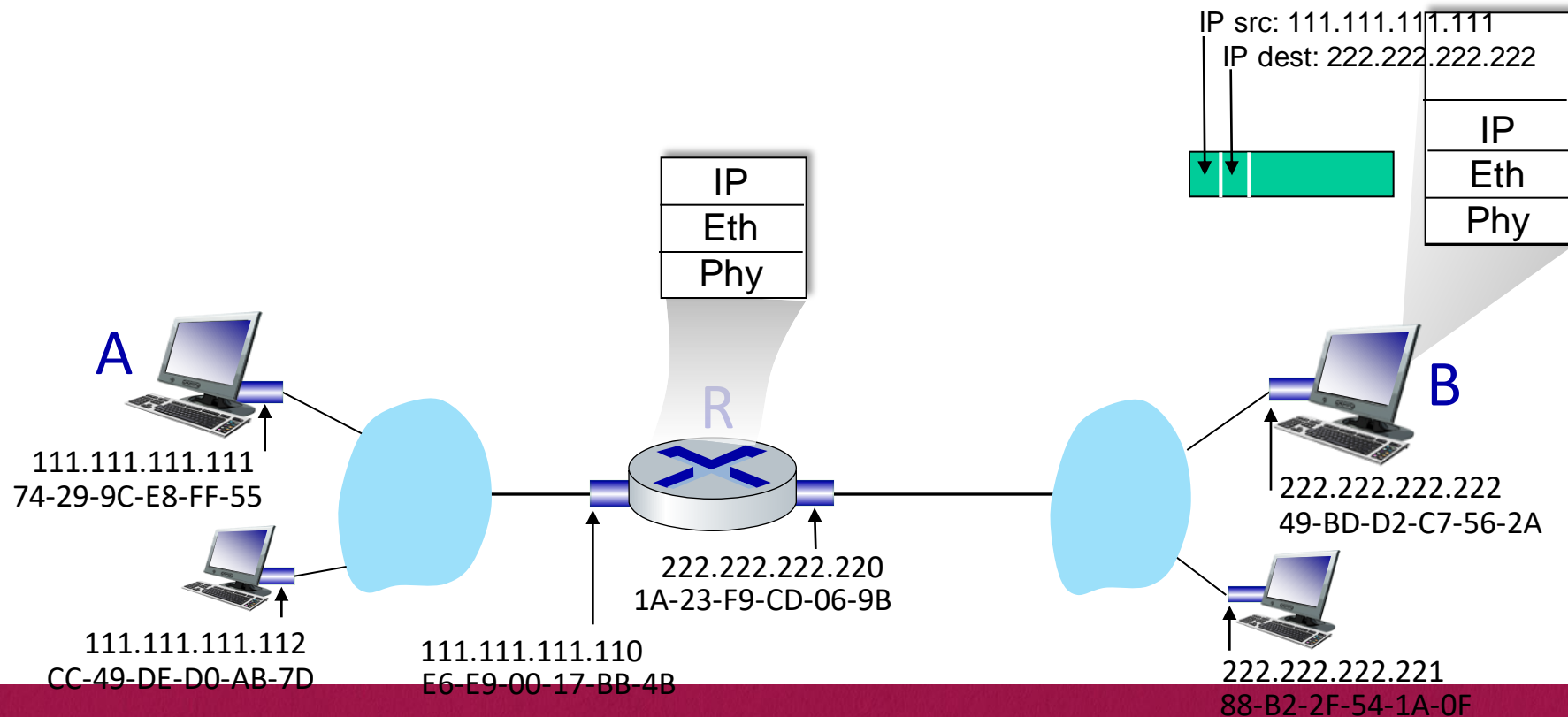
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- R creates link-layer frame containing A-to-B IP datagram. Frame destination address: B's MAC address
- transmits link-layer frame



# Routing to another subnet: addressing

- B receives frame, extracts IP datagram destination B
- B passes datagram up protocol stack to IP



# Objectives in Physical Layer Basics

- Examine the purpose of Physical Layer
- Understand physical layer characteristics & functions
  - Components
  - Encoding
  - Signaling
- Explore Bandwidth terms

# Purpose of Physical Layer

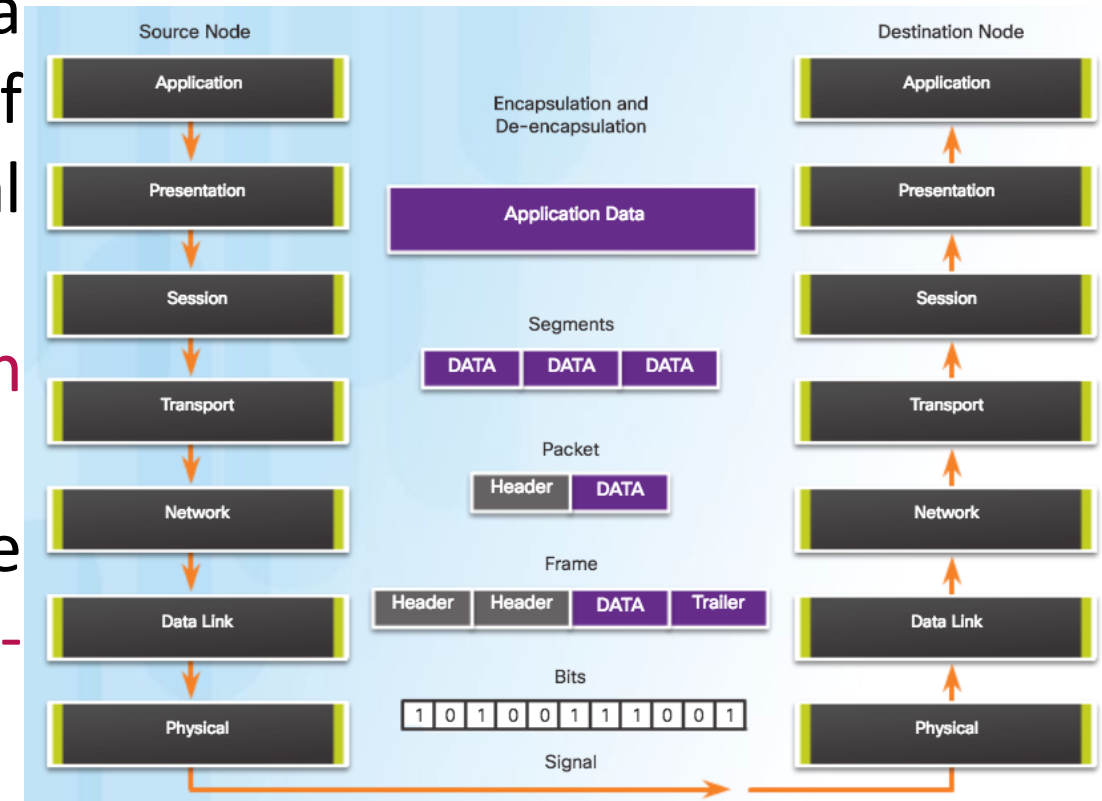
- Before any network communications can occur, a physical connection to a local network must be established.
- This connection could be wired or wireless, depending on the setup of the network.
- A Network Interface Card (NIC) connects a device to the network.
- Some devices may have just one NIC, while others may have multiple NICs (Wired and/or Wireless, for example).
- Not all physical connections offer the same level of performance.
- Only through this physical connection, actual data as bits are sent.

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# Physical Layer

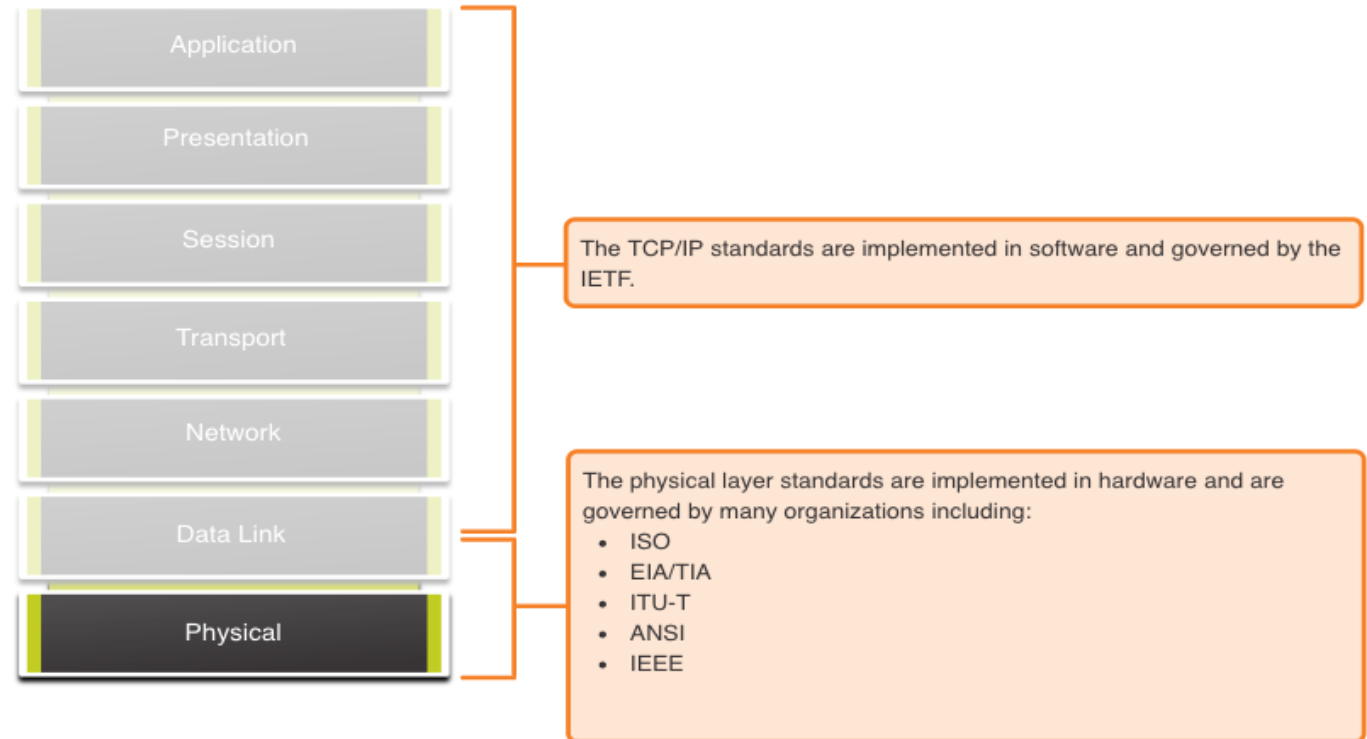
- Transports bits across the network media
- Accepts a complete frame from the Data Link Layer and encodes it as a series of signals that are transmitted to the local media
- This is the last step in the encapsulation process.
- The next device in the path to the destination receives the bits and re-encapsulates frame



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# Physical Layer Standards

- Implemented in hardware
- Govern by ISO, IEEE etc
- Address 3 functional areas
  - Physical Components
  - Encoding
  - Signaling



# Physical Components

- Hardware devices, media and other connectors that transmit bits as signals
- Hardware components like NICs,
- interfaces and connectors, cable materials, and
- cable designs are all specified in standards associated with the physical layer.



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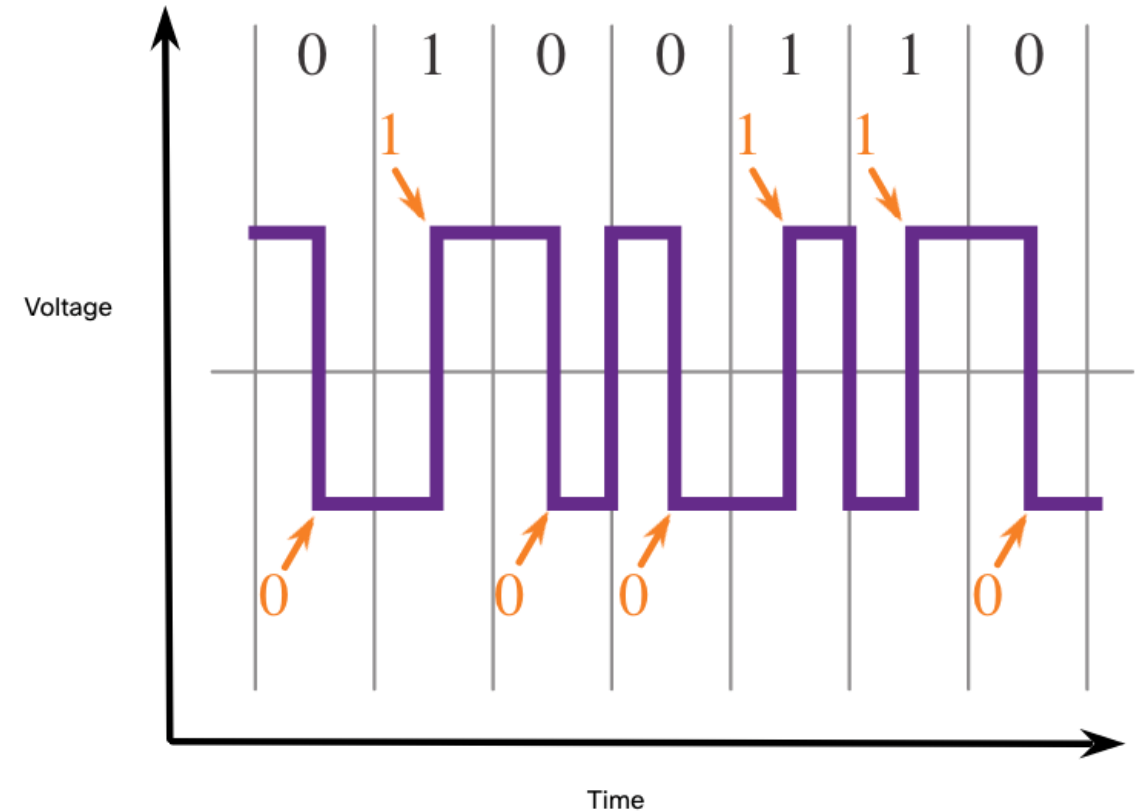


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# Encoding

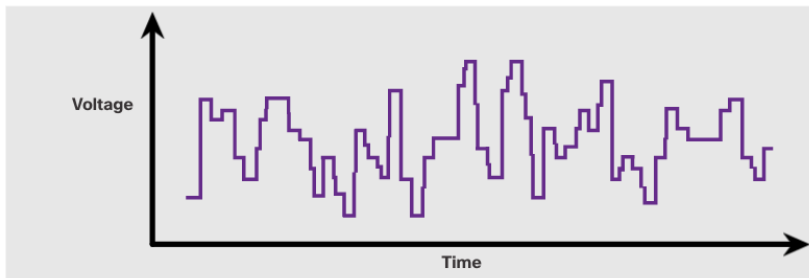
- Method of converting a stream of data bits into a predefined "code".
- 'coding' provides predictable patterns that can be recognized by the next networking device.
- Examples of encoding methods include Manchester (shown), 4B/5B, 8B/10B etc
- Manchester – Transition occurs at the middle of each bit period



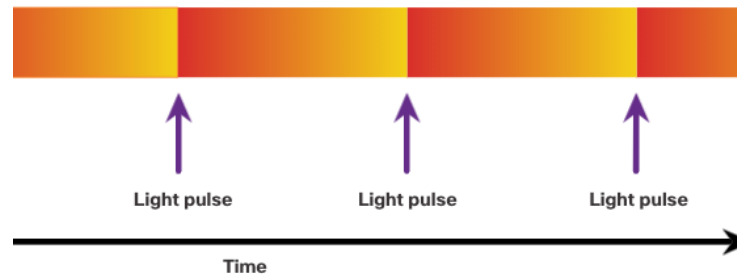
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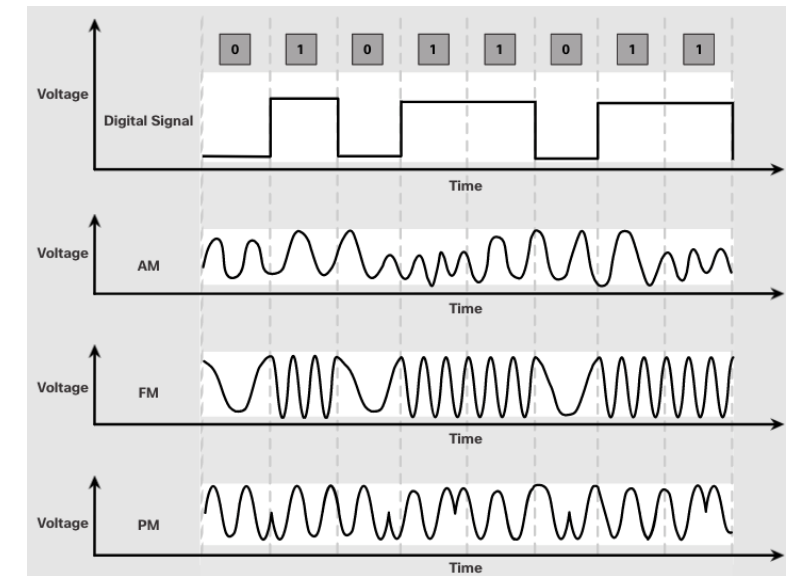
- Method of **representing the bit “1” and “0”** on the physical medium
- Signaling method **varies based on the type** of physical medium being used
- **Three types** of media:
  - Copper,
  - Fiber optic
  - Wireless



Electrical Signals Over Copper Cable



Light Pulses Over Fiber-Optic Cable



Microwave Signals Over Wireless

# Physical Layer Characteristics

- Physical layer is responsible for speed of data transfer in controlling bits for transmission.
- Bandwidth is the capacity at which a medium can carry data.
- Measures the amount of data flow in bps
- Physical media properties, current technologies, and the laws of physics play a role in determining available bandwidth.

Unit of Bandwidth	Abbreviation	Equivalence
Bits per second	bps	1 bps = fundamental unit of bandwidth
Kilobits per second	Kbps	1 Kbps = 1,000 bps = $10^3$ bps
Megabits per second	Mbps	1 Mbps = 1,000,000 bps = $10^6$ bps
Gigabits per second	Gbps	1 Gbps = 1,000,000,000 bps = $10^9$ bps
Terabits per second	Tbps	1 Tbps = 1,000,000,000,000 bps = $10^{12}$ bps

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# Bandwidth terminology

- Terms used to measure the quality of bandwidth include:
  - Latency, Throughput & Goodput
- **Latency** = Amount of time, including delays, for the data to travel from one device to the another
- **Throughput** = The measure of the transfer of bits across the media over a given period
- **Goodput** = The measure of usable data transferred over a given period
- ***Goodput = Throughput - traffic overhead***



# Summary

- **Purpose** of Physical Layer – bits transferred in hardware
- Physical layer **characteristics**
  - Components
  - Encoding
  - Signaling
  - Bandwidth

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