

# COMPUTER NETWORKS

*CSCI 690 – NYIT*

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"Computer networks are like a good joke: if you have to explain it, it's probably not funny anymore."

# Outline

- Network Design and Setup
- Communication Performance Analysis
- Routing Protocols
- Network Security Fundamentals
- Network Monitoring and Anomaly Detection

# Deliverables

Assignment – 1: QnA(Individual)

Project – 1: Exploring Networks(Individual)

Project – 2: TCP Protocol Behavior(Individual)

Term Project: Research Paper (Group)

Security News Presentation(Group)

# Cybersecurity News & Podcasts

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<https://www.sans.org/newsletters/>

<https://thecyberwire.com/podcasts/daily-podcast>

<https://darknetdiaries.com/>



Event	Contribution
Projects/Assignments(Individual)	25
Term Research Project(Group)	20
Quizzes	10
Midterm	20
Final	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

# Evaluation

A	<b>Masterful Performance:</b> The student demonstrates a profound understanding of cybersecurity concepts, exhibiting exceptional mastery of theoretical and practical applications. They consistently demonstrate innovative problem-solving skills, leveraging advanced knowledge to tackle complex security challenges.
B	<b>Proficient Performance:</b> The student can identify and describe security threats, design effective solutions, and demonstrate good problem-solving skills. However, may require additional guidance to develop more sophisticated problem-solving skills.
C	<b>Needs Improvement:</b> The student demonstrates a limited understanding of cybersecurity concepts, struggling to apply theoretical knowledge to practical scenarios. They may require additional support and guidance to develop a stronger grasp of security principles and practices.
F	<b>Unsatisfactory Performance:</b> The student demonstrates little understanding of cybersecurity concepts. They requires extensive remedial instruction to develop a foundational understanding of security principles and practices.

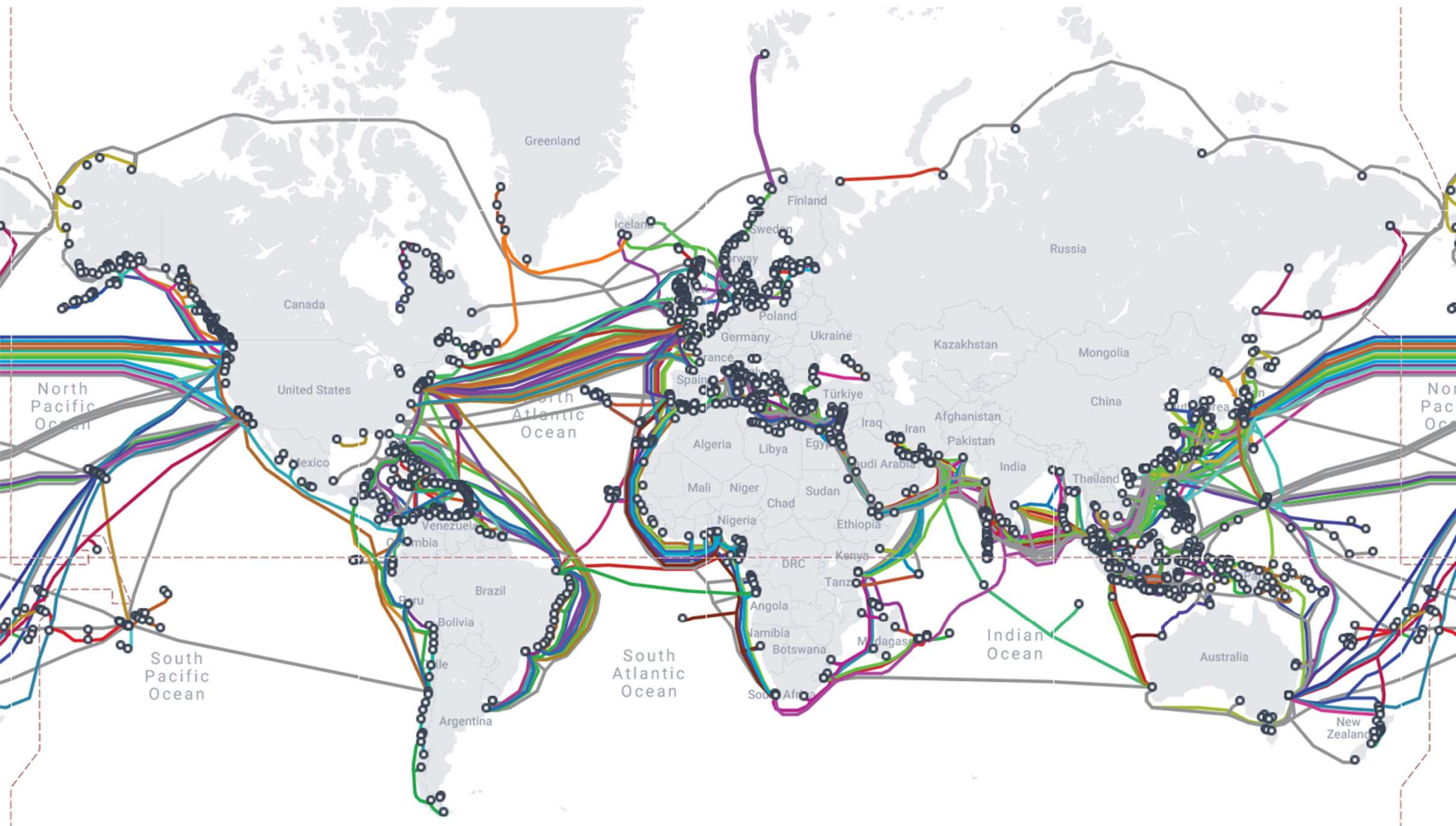
# Installations

- Wireshark
- VMWare/Virtualbox
- Distro: Linux-based



# Resources

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Number of devices on Internet?

75 Billion, with a 'B', by 2026

# Ch – 1 Computer Networks & Internet

# Chapter 1: introduction

## *Chapter goal:*

- Get “feel,” “big picture,” introduction to terminology
  - more depth, detail *later* in course
- Approach:
  - use Internet as example



## *Overview/roadmap:*

- What *is* the Internet?
- What *is* a protocol?
- **Network edge:** hosts, access network, physical media
- **Network core:** packet/circuit switching, internet structure
- **Performance:** loss, delay, throughput
- Security
- Protocol layers, service models
- History

# The Internet: a “nuts and bolts” view



Billions of connected computing *devices*:

- *hosts* = end systems
- running *network apps* at Internet's “edge”



*Packet switches*: forward packets (chunks of data)

- *routers, switches*

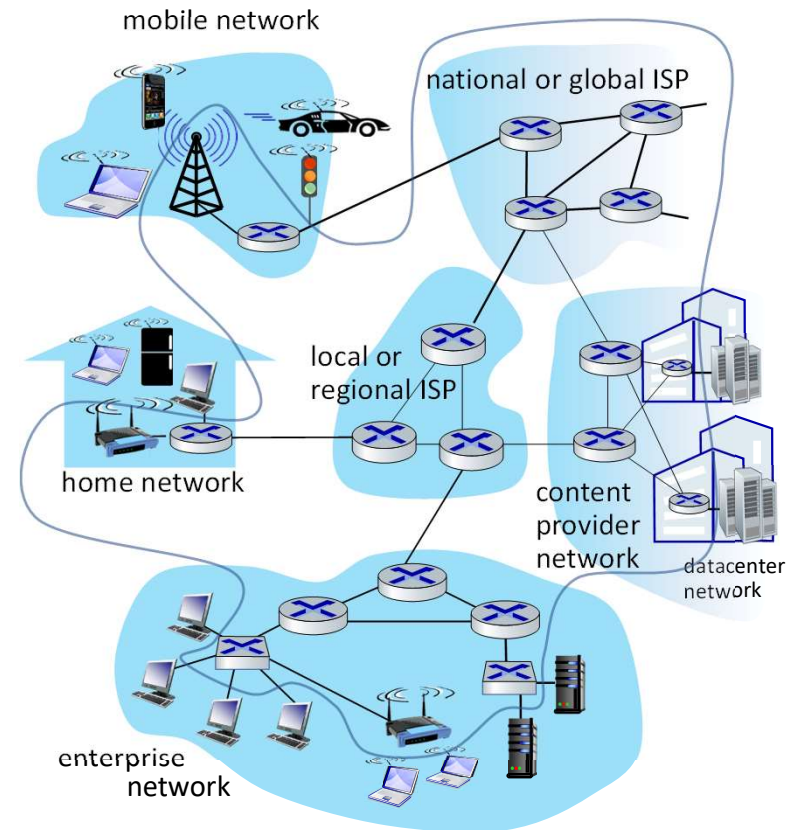


*Communication links*

- fiber, copper, radio, satellite
- transmission rate: *bandwidth*

*Networks*

- collection of devices, routers, links: managed by an organization



# “Fun” Internet-connected devices



Amazon Echo



Internet refrigerator



IP picture frame



Pacemaker & Monitor



Tweet-a-watt:  
monitor energy use



Security Camera



Slingbox: remote  
control cable TV



Web-enabled toaster +  
weather forecaster



AR devices

Internet phones



sensorized,  
bed  
mattress



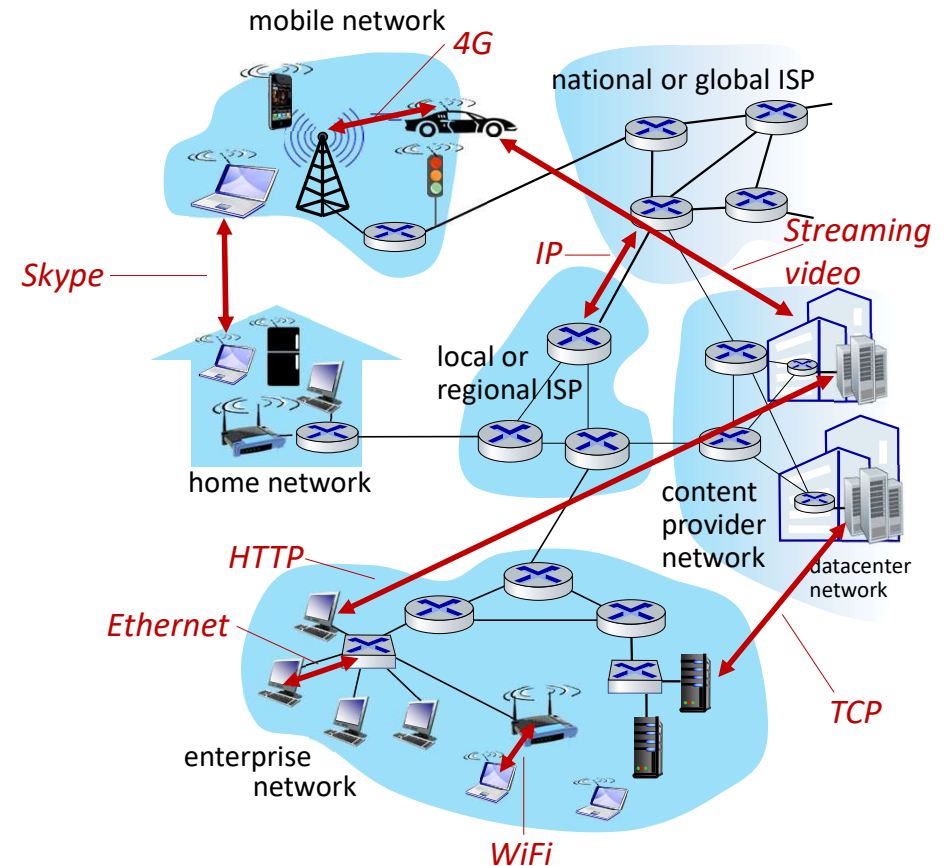
Fitbit

*Others?*



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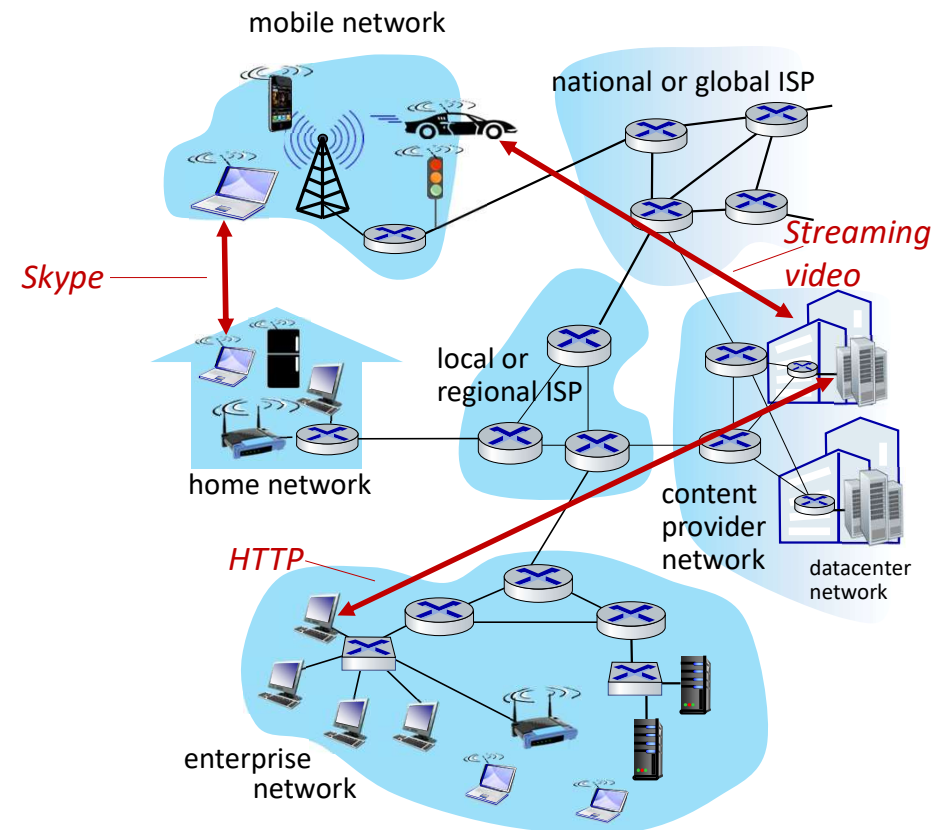
- *Internet: “network of networks”*
  - Interconnected ISPs
- *protocols are everywhere*
  - control sending, receiving of messages
  - e.g., HTTP (Web), streaming video, Skype, TCP, IP, WiFi, 4G, Ethernet
- *Internet standards*
  - RFC: Request for Comments
  - IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force





# The Internet: a “service” view

- *Infrastructure* that provides services to applications:
  - Web, streaming video, multimedia teleconferencing, email, games, e-commerce, social media, inter-connected appliances, ...
- provides *programming interface* to distributed applications:
  - “hooks” allowing sending/receiving apps to “connect” to, use Internet transport service
  - provides service options, analogous to postal service



# What's a protocol?

## *Human protocols:*

- “what’s the time?”
- “I have a question”
- introductions

... specific messages sent

... specific actions taken  
when message received,  
or other events

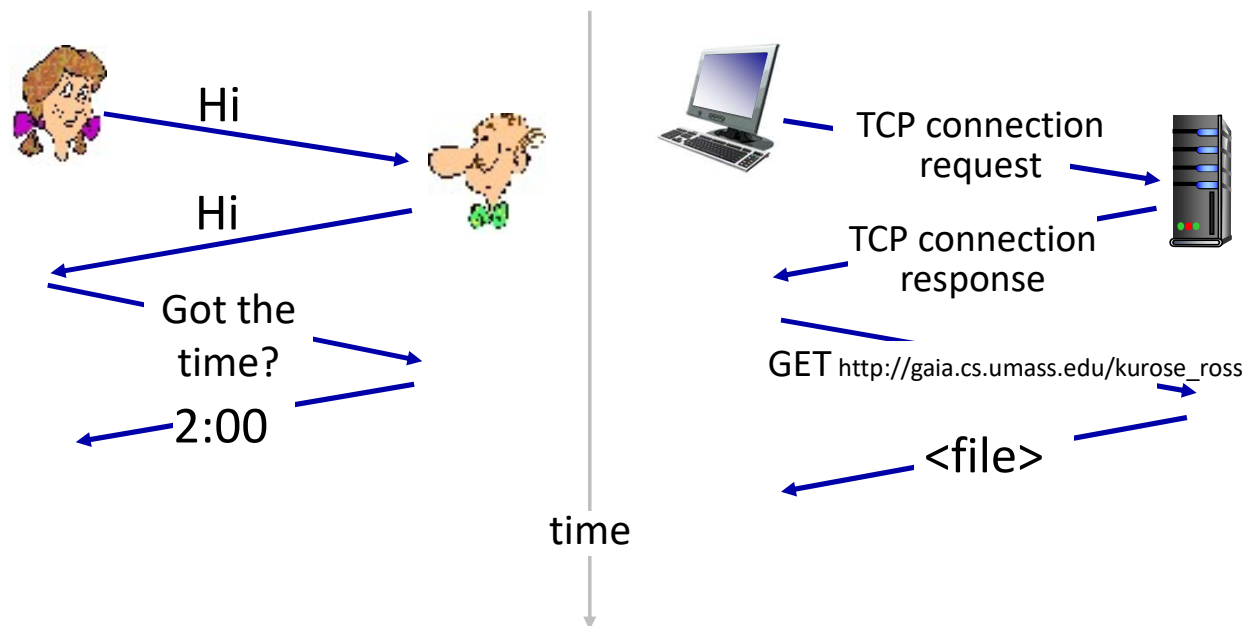
## *Network protocols:*

- computers (devices) rather than humans
- all communication activity in Internet governed by protocols

*Protocols define the **format, order** of  
**messages sent and received** among  
network entities, and **actions taken**  
on msg transmission, receipt*

# What's a protocol?

A human protocol and a computer network protocol:



*Q:* other human protocols?

# Chapter 1: roadmap

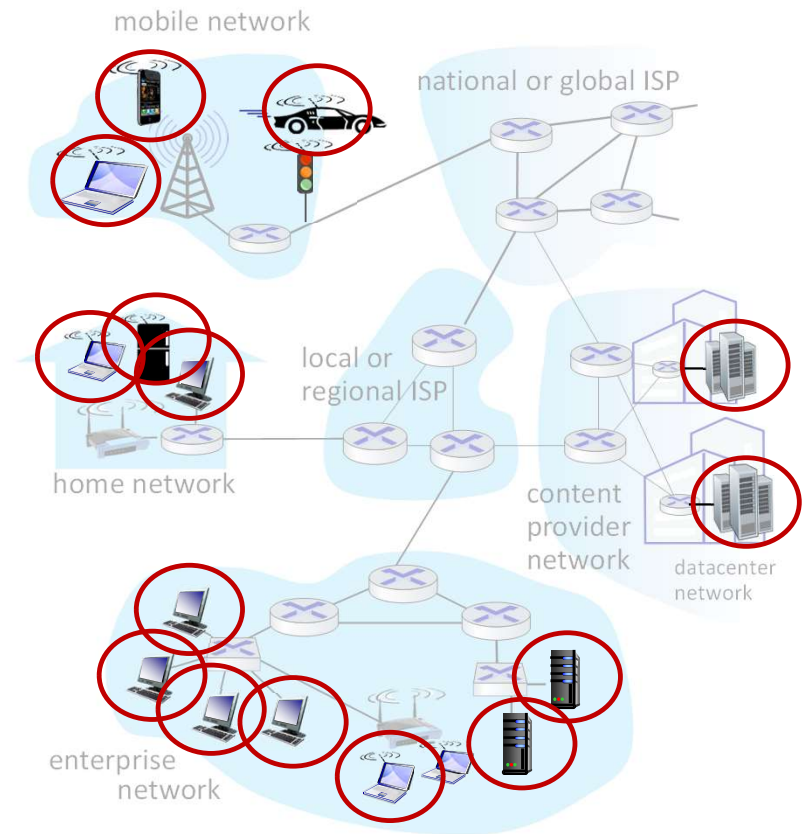
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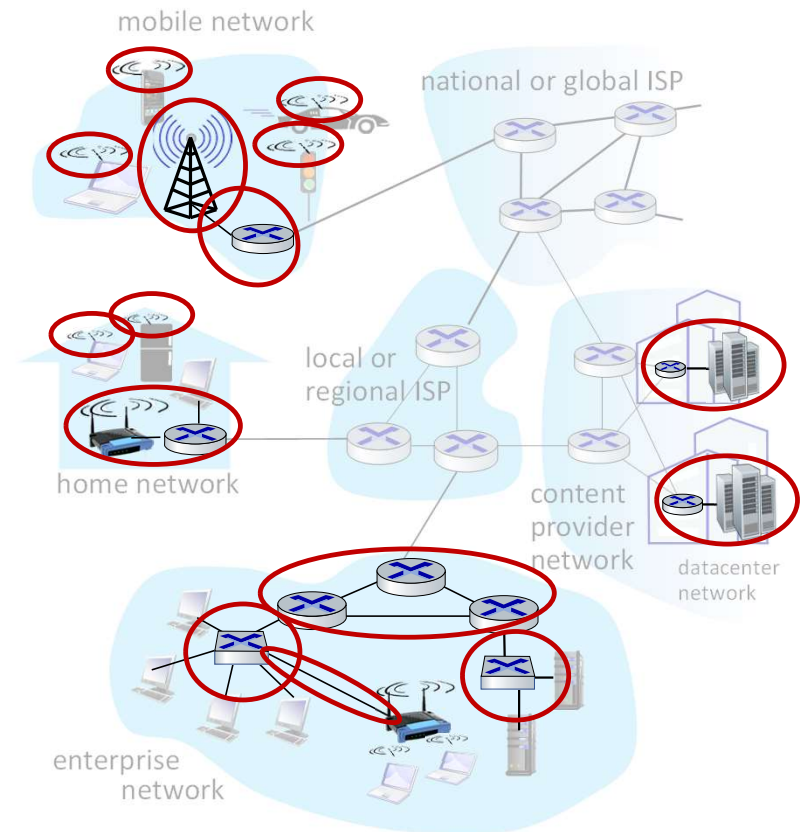
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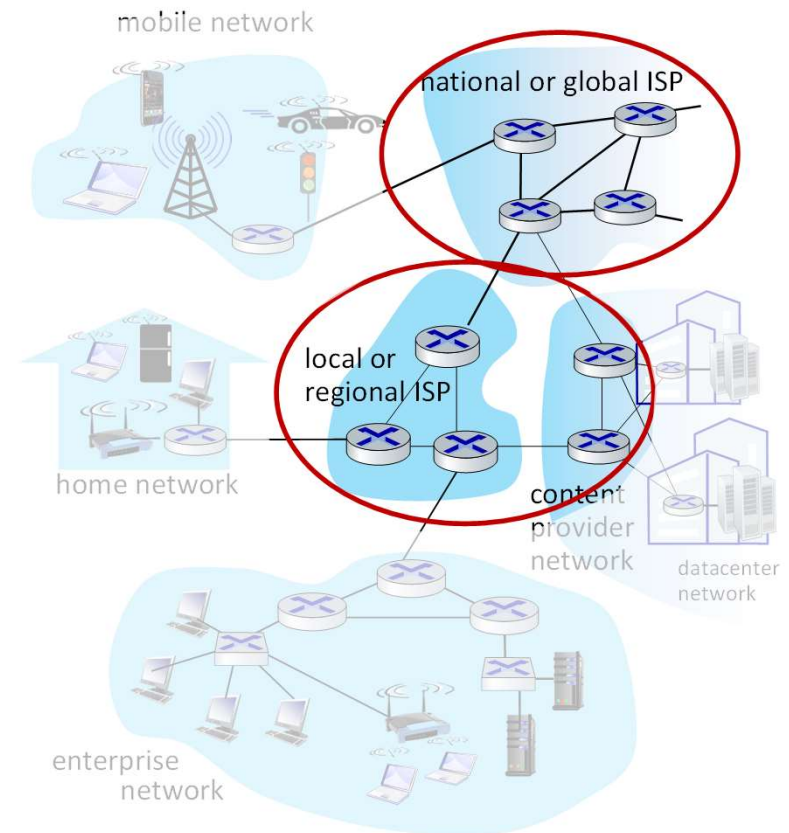
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## Network core:

- interconnected routers
- network of networks



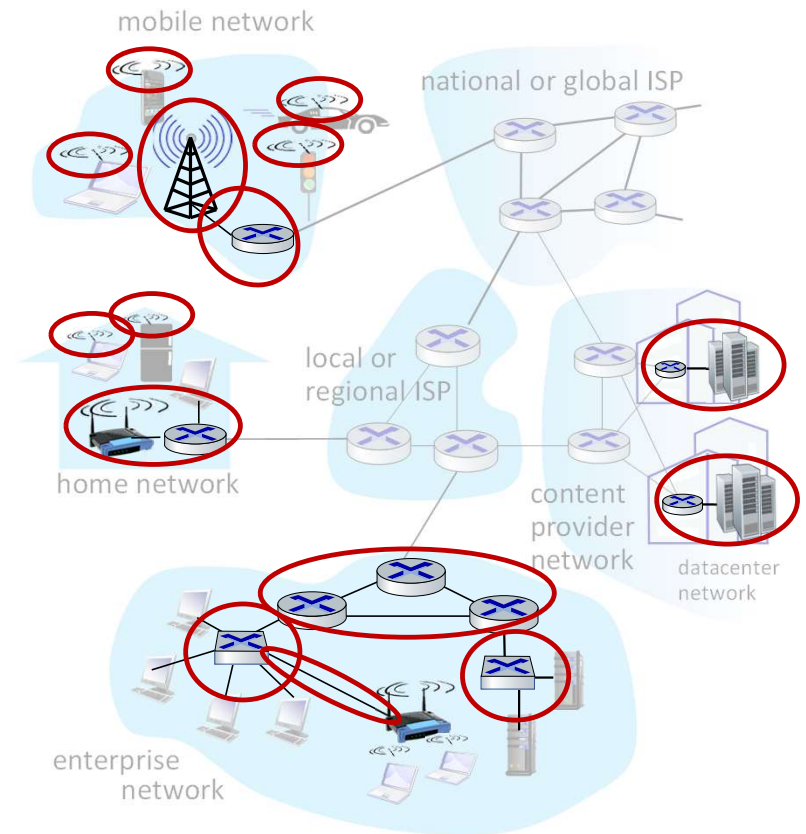
# Access networks and physical media

*Q: How to connect end systems to edge router?*

- residential access nets
- institutional access networks (school, company)
- mobile access networks (WiFi, 4G/5G)

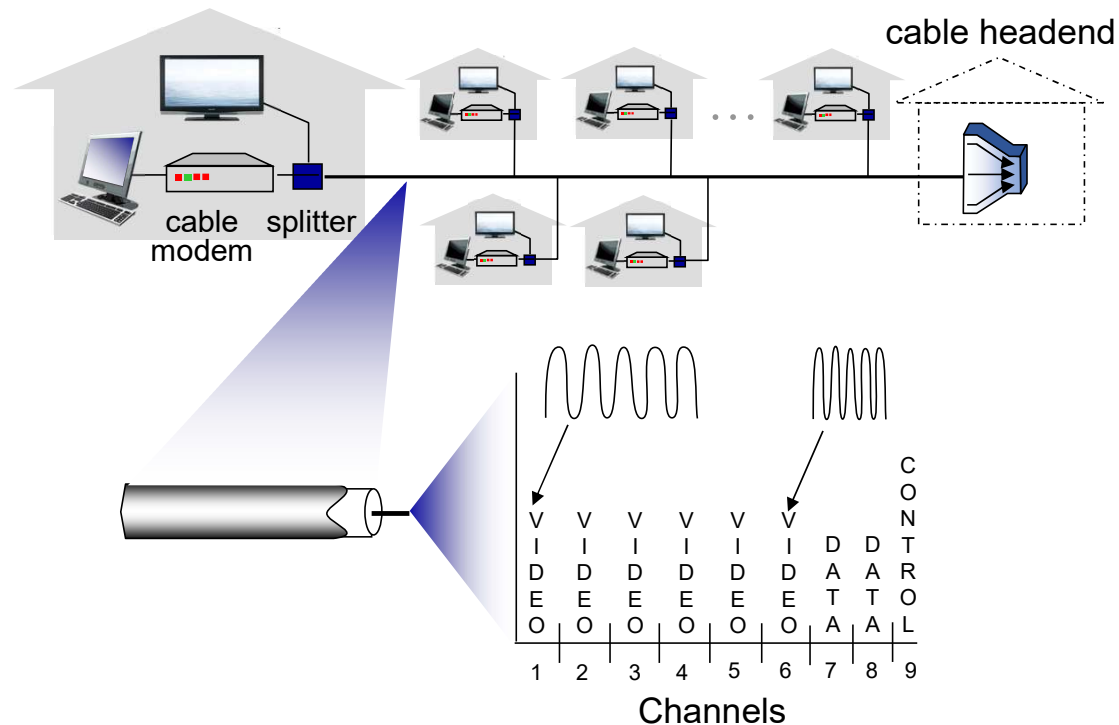
*What to look for:*

- transmission rate (bits per second) of access network?
- shared or dedicated access among users?

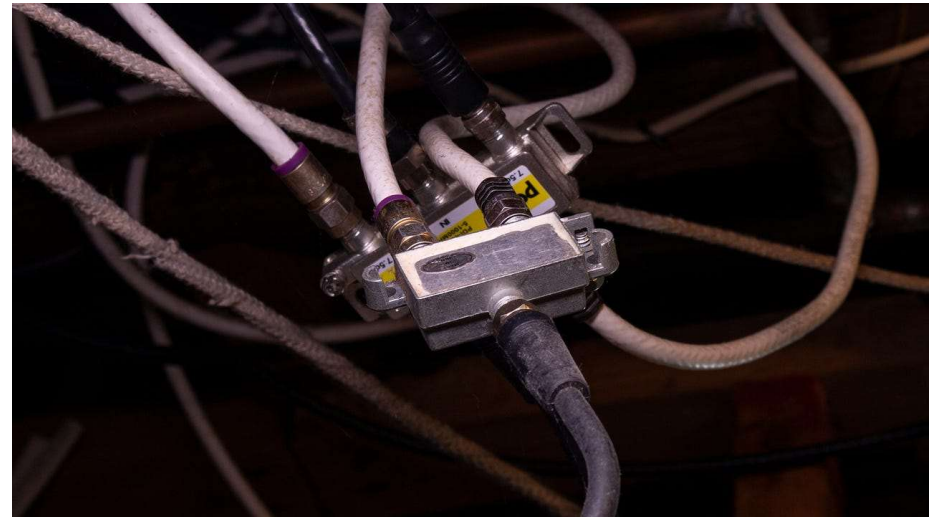




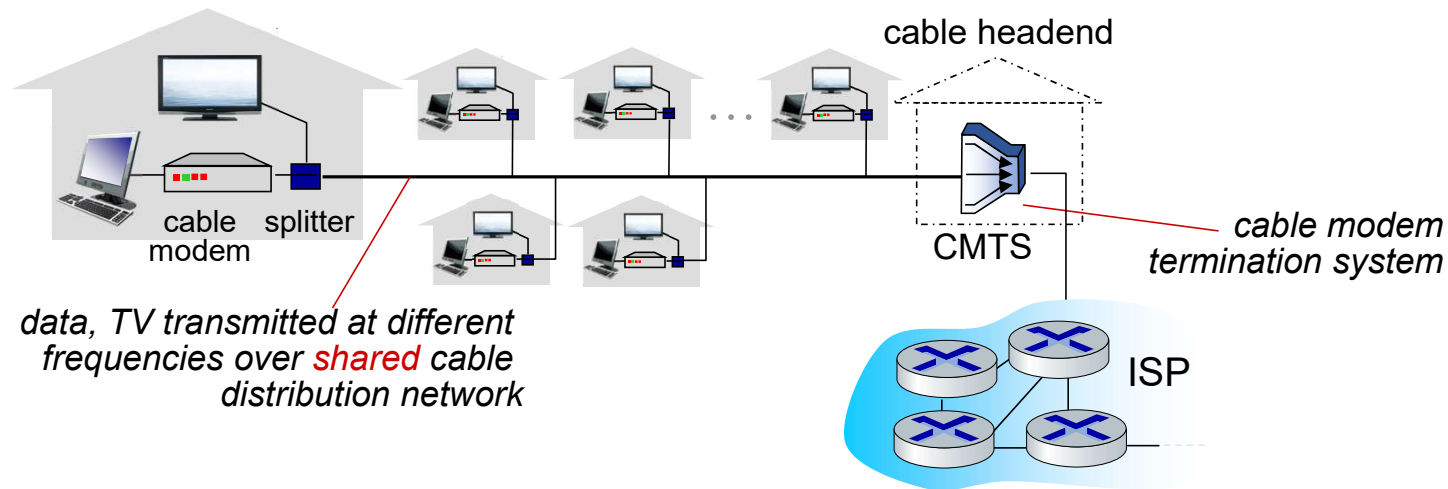
# Access networks: cable-based access



*frequency division multiplexing (FDM)*: different channels transmitted in different frequency bands

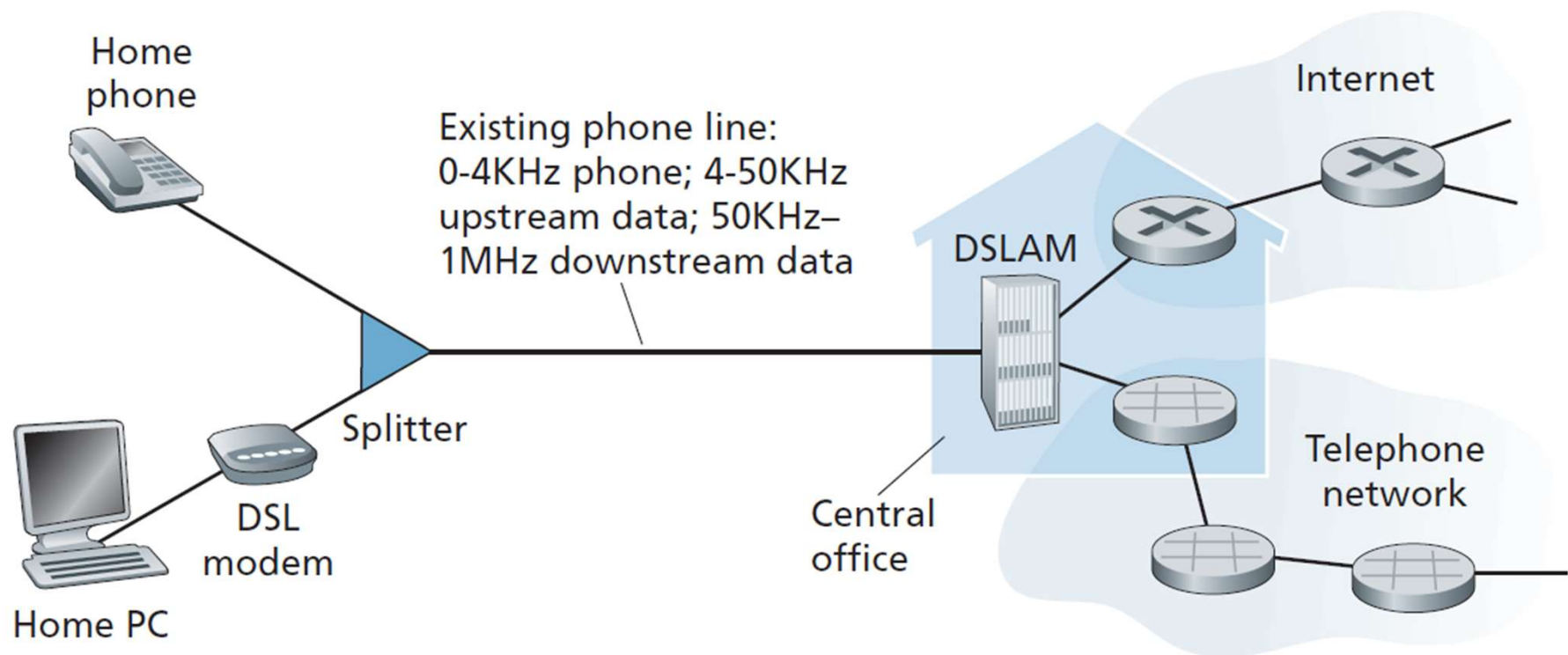


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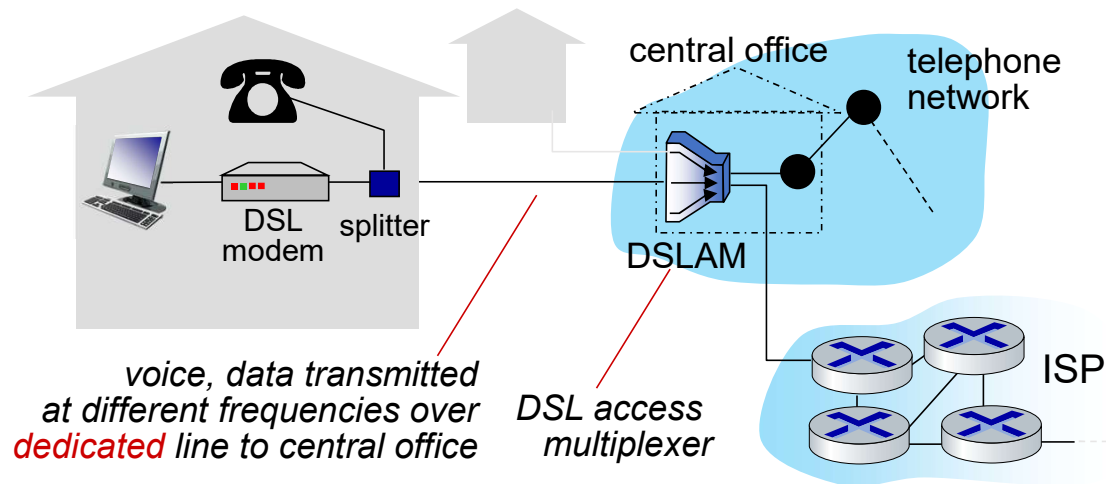


## ■ HFC: hybrid fiber coax

- asymmetric: up to 40 Mbps – 1.2 Gbs downstream transmission rate, 30-100 Mbps upstream transmission rate
- network of cable, fiber attaches homes to ISP router
  - homes *share access network* to cable headend

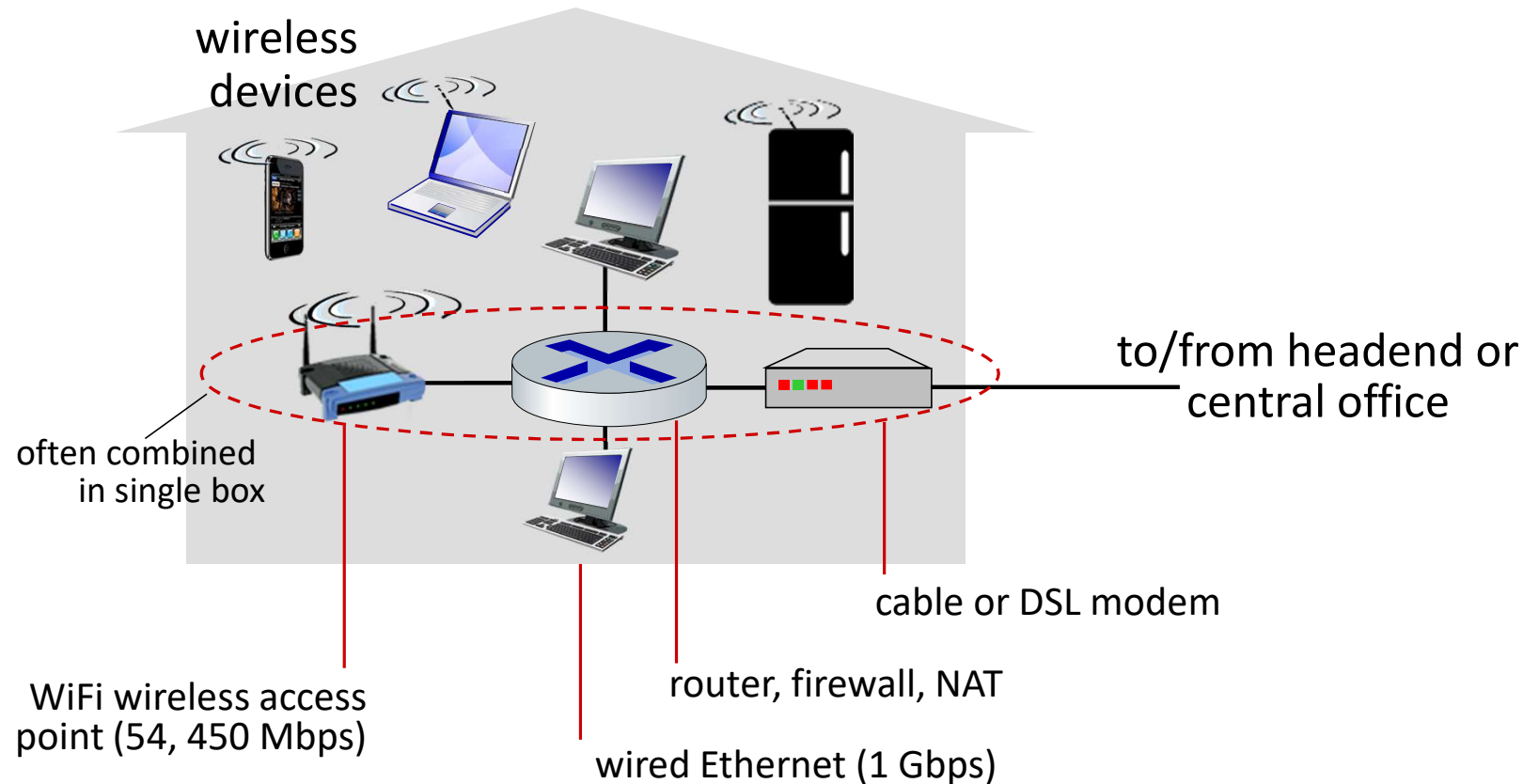


# Access networks: digital subscriber line (DSL)



- use *existing* telephone line to central office DSLAM
  - data over DSL phone line goes to Internet
  - voice over DSL phone line goes to telephone net
- 24-52 Mbps dedicated downstream transmission rate
- 3.5-16 Mbps dedicated upstream transmission rate

# Access networks: home networks



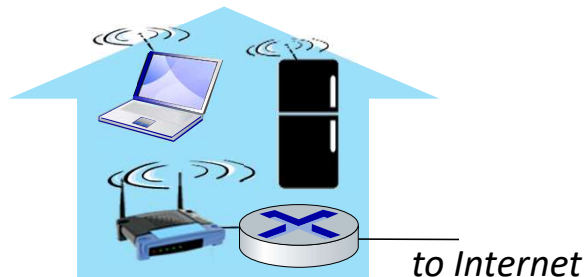
# Wireless access networks

Shared *wireless* access network connects end system to router

- via base station aka “access point”

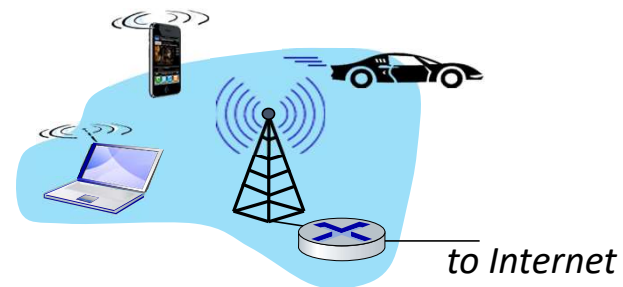
## Wireless local area networks (WLANs)

- typically within or around building (~100 ft)
- 802.11b/g/n (WiFi): 11, 54, 450 Mbps transmission rate

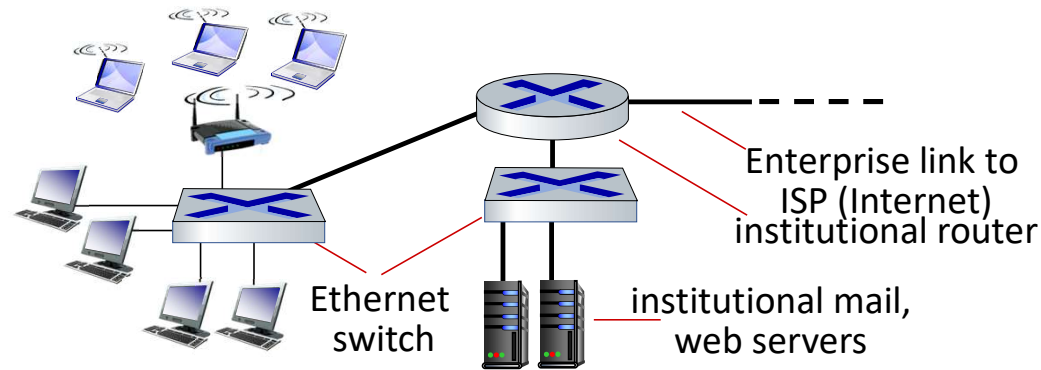


## Wide-area cellular access networks

- provided by mobile, cellular network operator (10's km)
- 10's Mbps
- 4G/5G cellular networks



# Access networks: enterprise networks



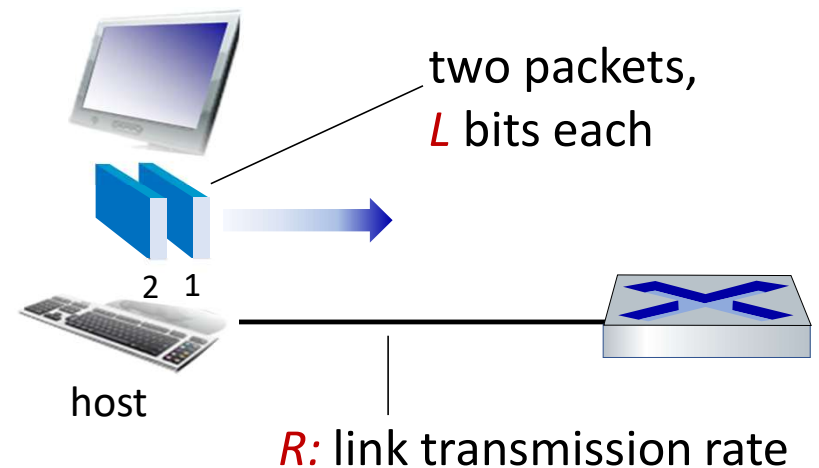
- companies, universities, etc.
- mix of wired, wireless link technologies, connecting a mix of switches and routers (we'll cover differences shortly)
  - Ethernet: wired access at 100Mbps, 1Gbps, 10Gbps
  - WiFi: wireless access points at 11, 54, 450 Mbps



# Host: sends *packets* of data

host sending function:

- takes application message
- breaks into smaller chunks, known as *packets*, of length  $L$  bits
- transmits packet into access network at *transmission rate  $R$* 
  - link transmission rate, aka link *capacity, aka link bandwidth*



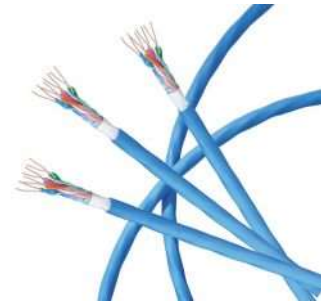
$$\text{packet transmission delay} = \text{time needed to transmit } L\text{-bit packet into link} = \frac{L \text{ (bits)}}{R \text{ (bits/sec)}}$$

# Links: physical media

- **bit**: propagates between transmitter/receiver pairs
- **physical link**: what lies between transmitter & receiver
- **guided media**:
  - signals propagate in solid media: copper, fiber, coax
- **unguided media**:
  - signals propagate freely, e.g., radio

## Twisted pair (TP)

- two insulated copper wires
  - Category 5: 100 Mbps, 1 Gbps Ethernet
  - Category 6: 10Gbps Ethernet



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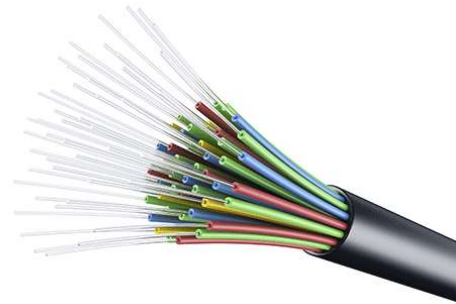
## Coaxial cable:

- two concentric copper conductors
- bidirectional
- broadband:
  - multiple frequency channels on cable
  - 100's Mbps per channel



## Fiber optic cable:

- glass fiber carrying light pulses, each pulse a bit
- high-speed operation:
  - high-speed point-to-point transmission (10's-100's Gbps)
- low error rate:
  - repeaters spaced far apart
  - immune to electromagnetic noise



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