Networking Basics



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Lecture Outline



- 1. Overview of TCP/IP Protocol Suite
- 2. Connecting Devices
 - Repeater
 - Hub
 - Bridge
 - Switch
 - Bridge
- 3. Collision domain and Broadcast domain
- 4. Ethernet Standards
- 5. WLAN Standards



Application Layer

- Only layer which interacts with users applications
- Takes data from users in sending end and provide the data to user in the receiving end.
- Protocols include HTTP, DNS, FTP, SMTP.
- Implemented in source and destination devices only

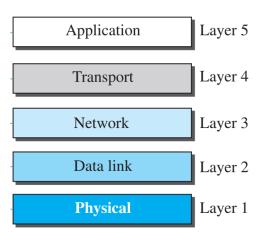


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Transport Layer

- gets the message from the application layer, encapsulates it in a segment and sends it to transport layer.
- Message delivery can be reliable but slow (TCP) or unreliable but fast (UDP)
- Provide port addressing to application layer programs
- Perform error control, flow control and congestion control

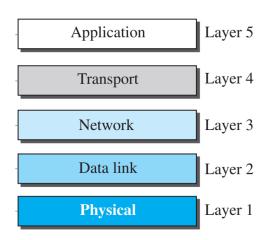


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- Network Layer or Internet Layer
- Require for communication between multiple networks
- Introduces IP address, perform routing and congestion control
- Encapsulate segment into a packet (called IP datagram)
- Used in end devices and network layer devices (Router, PC, Layer 3 switch, etc.)
- Protocols include IP ICMP, RIP, EIGRP, OSPF etc.

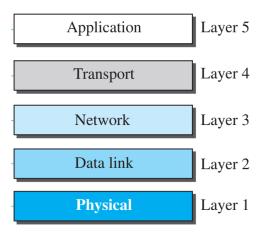


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❖ Data-link Layer

- Require for communication inside a network
- Introduces MAC address, perform error control and flow control
- Encapsulating packet into frame
- Used in all devices (PC, Router, Switch, Bridge) except hub & repeater
- Protocols include ALOHA, CSMA, CSMA/CD, CSMA/CA

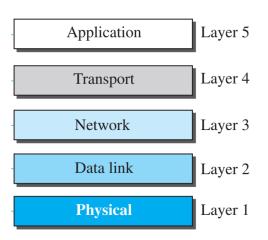


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Physical Layer

- Accepts a complete frame from the Data Link layer and encodes it as a series of signals that are transmitted onto the local media.
- Specifies transmission media
- Network physical topology [1]

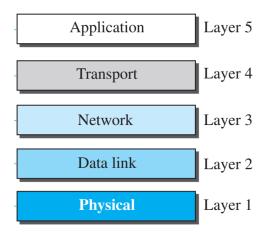


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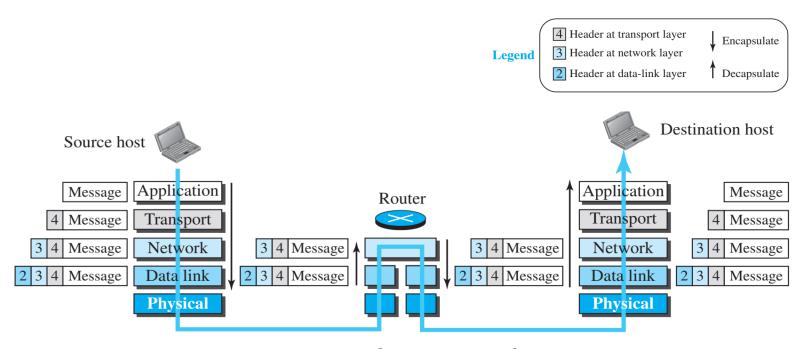


Fig. 2 Encapsulation/Decapsulation

Connecting Devices



Repeater

Repeater

- Layer 1 device that takes voltage from the line, amplifies the voltage, and sends it down the line [3].
- Used to extend a network beyond the maximum length of the cable segment [2]
- If there is any "noise" caused by electromagnetic interference on the wire, it will also amplify the noise and send it [3].
- The use of three repeater in a row results in an unusable signal transmission because of extreme noise [3].
- These devices are not in common use anymore; they have been replaced by hubs, bridges, and switches.



Repeater

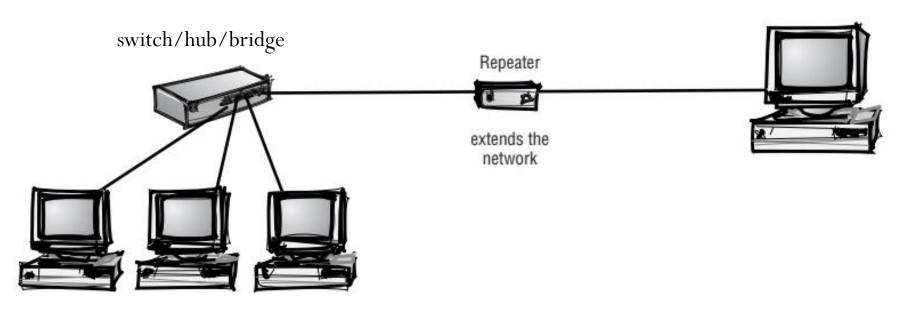


Fig. 3 Use of repeaters and switch/hub/bridge [2]



Hub

Hub

- A repeater with more than one output port.
- Electrical signal comes through one port of the hub and gets amplified and sent out through all ports of the hub.
- if you have a 10-Mbps hub and three devices are transmitting at the same time, each device gets one third of the bandwidth [5].

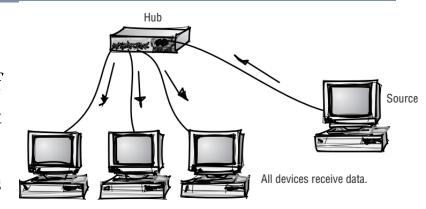


Fig. 4 Broadcasting of a Hub [2]

- For a successful transmission, only one station can send data at a time.
- More active ports cause more collision among signal, thereby resulting in lower data rate.
- A layer 1 device [2] and is Used to connect devices of a single network

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Bridge

Bridge

- A layer 2 device
- Used to connect devices of a single network
- It sends the received frame only to the intended destination based on the destination MAC address of the frame.
- Better bandwidth usage [3].
- Unlike hub, it has error detection capability
- Limited ports (2-4, usually 2 ports)

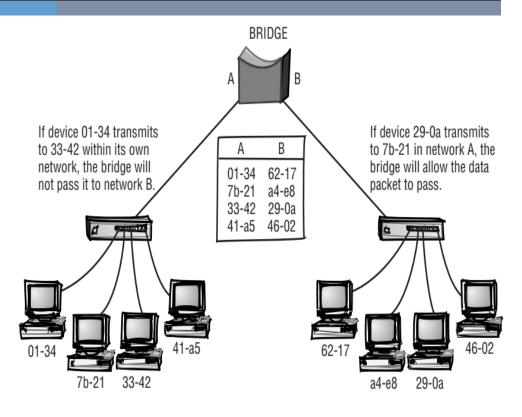


Fig. 5 Filtering of a Bridge [2]



Switch

Switch

- A layer 2 device
- Used to connect devices of a single network
- Like a Bridge, it sends the received frame only to the intended destination based on the destination MAC address of the frame.
- Unlike hub, it has error detection capability
- Hundreds of ports(2 to more than 100)
- Frame forwarding decision is taken based hardware, hence it is faster than bridge [4].
- If you have a 10-Mpbs switch with three devices connected to it, all three devices

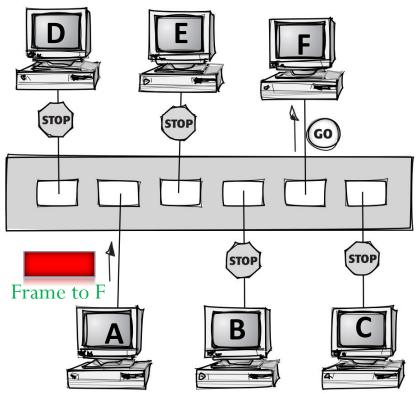


Fig. 6 Filtering of a Switch [2]

can use 10- Mbps of bandwidth. [5].



Router

* Router

- A layer 3 device
- Used to connect multiple networks
- Connected networks can have different protocols and speed.
- Forward packets based on destination IP address
- Most intelligent connecting device
- Can also be used to forward packet within network
- Slower than switch because of its routing protocol implementation

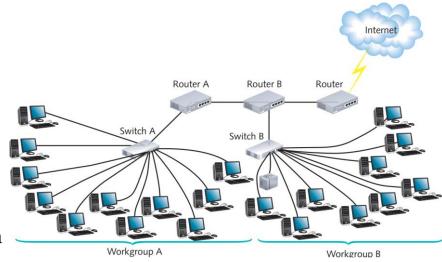
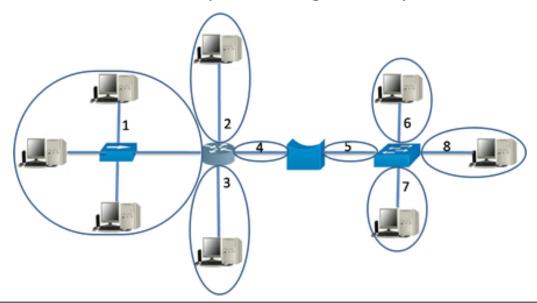


Fig. 7 Router connecting multiple networks [6]

Collision Domain



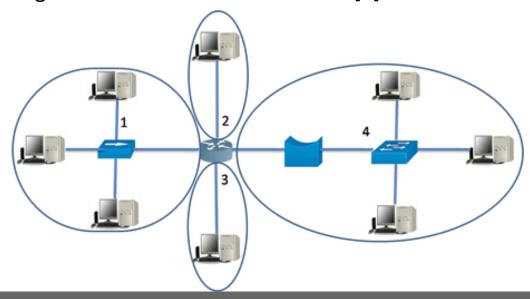
- The "collision domain" describes a network where packet collisions can occur when two devices on a shared network medium send packets simultaneously.
- Hub: All ports belong to the same collision domain.
- Bridge, Switch, Router: Each port belongs to a separate collision domain.



Broadcast Domain



- All the devices in the broadcast domain can reach via broadcast at the data link layer.
- A Broadcast Domain can receive any broadcast packet originating from any device within the network segment.
- All ports of hub and switch belong to same broadcast domain but all ports of the router belong do different broadcast domain [9].



Ethernet Standards



TABLE I Ethernet Standard [7]

Speed	Common Name	Informal Standard Name	Formal Standar d Name	Cable Type	Max. Length
10 Mbps	Ethernet	10BASE-T	802.3	Cat3	100 m
100 Mbps	Fast Ethernet	100BASE-T	802.3u	Cat5	100 m
1000	Gigabit	1000BASE-LX	802.3z	Single mode fiber	5000 m
Mbps	Ethernet			50-micron multimode fiber	550 m
				62.5-micron multimode fiber	440 m
1000 Mbps	Gigabit Ethernet	1000BASE-T	802.3ab	Cat5, Cat5e	100 m
10 Gbps	10 Gig bit Ethernet	10GBASE-T	802.3an	Cat6, Cat6a	100 m

WLAN Standards



TABLE II WLAN Standard [8]

Release date	Standard	Frequenc y band	Bandwidth	Transmission scheme	Max modulation	MIMO	Max data rate
1997	802.11	2.4 GHz	20 MHz	DSSS, FHSS	QPSK	N/A	2 Mbps
1999	802.11b	2.4 GHz	20 MHz	DSSS	QPSK	N/A	11 Mbps
1999	802.11a	5 GHz	20 MHz	OFDM	64 QAM	N/A	54 Mbps
2003	802.11g	2.4 GHz	20 MHz	DSSS, OFDM	64 QAM	N/A	54 Mbps
2009	802.11n	2.4 GHz 5 GHz	20 MHz 40 MHz	OFDM	64 QAM	4 × 4	600 Mbps
2013	802.11ac	5 GHz	20 MHz 40 MHz 80 MHz 160 MHz	OFDM	256 QAM	8 × 8	6.93 Gbps
2018	802.11ad	60 GHz	2160 MHz	SC-FDM, OFDM	256 QAM	Beamform ing	6.93 Mbps



Acronyms

DSSS: Direct sequence spread spectrum

FHSS: Frequency hop spread spectrum

OFDM: Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing **SC FDM:** Single carrier frequency domain multiplexing

QPSK: Quadrature phase shift keying

QAM: Quadrature amplitude modulation

MIMO: Multiple input multiple output

Beamforming: Technique of focusing a wireless signal towards a specific receiving device

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