

Computer Networks



(Graduate level)

Lecture 5: <u>Internetworking</u> <u>Design Principles</u>

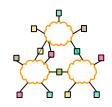
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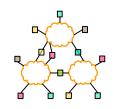
Network Design



- Network Design principle
- How to determine split of functionality
 - Across protocol layers
 - Across network nodes
- Assigned Reading
 - End-to-end Arguments in System Design
 - Design Philosophy of the DARPA Internet Protocols
 - Architectural Consideration for a New Generation of Protocols
 - Tussle in Cyberspace
 - Rethinking the Design of the Internet: The End-to-End Arguments vs. the Brave New World
 - The End-to-End Argument and Application Design: The Role of Trust
 - A Protocol for Packet Network Intercommunication
 - IP Next Generation Overview
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Connect existing networks

initially ARPANET and ARPA packet radio network

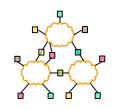
Survivability

ensure communication service even in the presence of network and router failures

2. Support multiple types of services

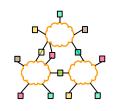
- 3. Must accommodate a variety of networks
- 4. Allow distributed management
- Cost effective
- 6. Allow host attachment with a low level of effort
- Allow resource accountability

Possible solutions



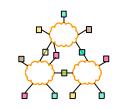
- Reengineer and develop one global packet switching network standard
 - not economically feasible
 - not deployable
- Decision: packet switching
 - Existing networks already were using this technology
- Have every host implement the protocols of any network it wants to communicate with
 - Complexity/node = O(n)
 - O(n,2) global complexity outer Network

Internetworking



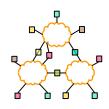
- Communication between networks.
- Problems & Challenges
 - Different Networking technologies (Heterogeneity).
 - So many Networks (Scaling).
- Some terminologies:
 - "internetworking" refer to an arbitrary collection of connected networks.
 - "Internet" the global internetwork.
 - "Network" either directly connected or switched network using any LAN technology such as Ethernet, Token ring, ATM, etc.

Connect Existing Networks



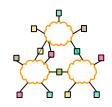
- Existing networks: ARPANET and ARPA packet radio
- Many differences between networks
 - Address formats
 - Performance bandwidth/latency
 - Packet size
 - Loss rate/pattern/handling
 - Routing
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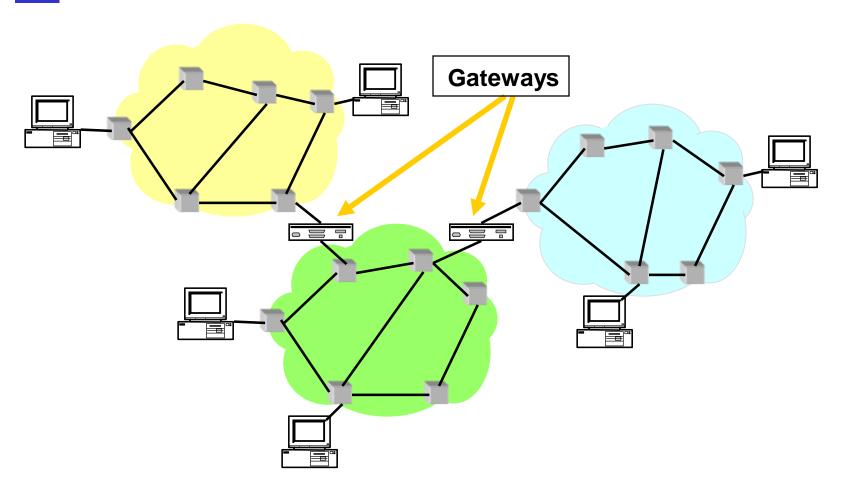




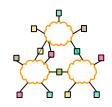
- Translation
 - Difficulty in dealing with different features supported by networks
 - Scales poorly with number of network types (N² conversions)
- Standardization
 - "IP over everything" (Design Principle 1)
 - Minimal assumptions about network
 - Hourglass design







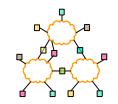
Solution



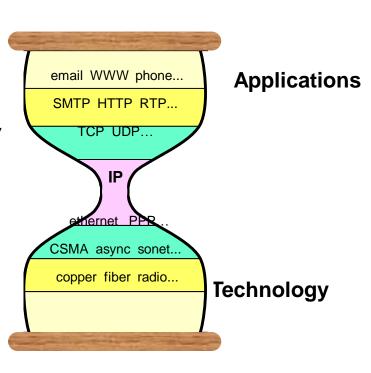
Add an extra layer: internetworking layer

- hosts:
 - understand one network protocol
 - understand one physical/link protocol
- Routers/Switchses/gateways:
 - understand one network protocol
 - understand the physical/link protocols of the networks they gateway
- Complexity to add a node/network: O(1) with respect to number of existing nodes

IP Hourglass



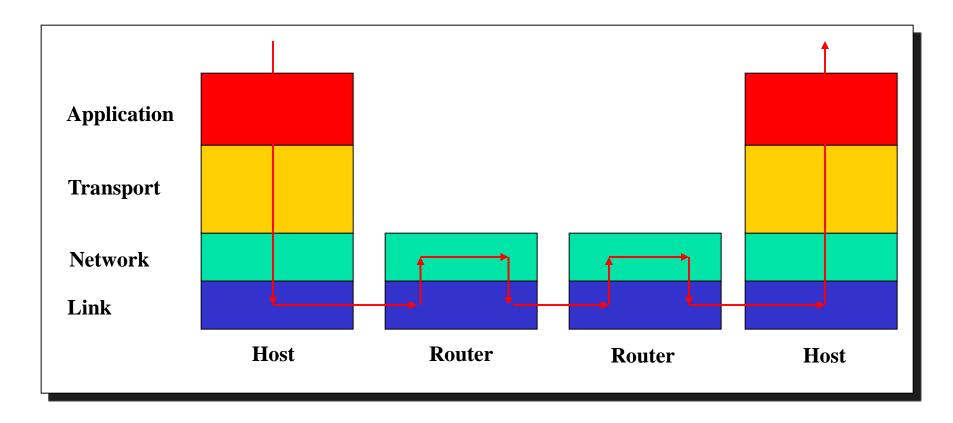
- Need to interconnect many existing networks
- Hide underlying technology from applications
- Decisions:
 - Network provides minimal functionality
 - "Narrow waist"



Tradeoff: No assumptions, no guarantees.

IP Layering (Principle 2)

Relatively simple modle



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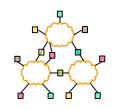
Different Address Formats

Options:

- Map one address format to another. Why not?
- Provide one common format
 - map lower level addresses to common format
- Common Address Format:
 - Initially: 8b network 16b host 24b total
 - Before Classless InterDomain Routing (CIDR):
 - 7b/24b, 14b/16b, or 21b/8b 32b total
 - After CIDR: Arbitrary division 32b total
 - NAT: 32b + 16b simultaneously active
 - IPv6. 128b total



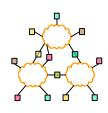
Different Packet Sizes



- Need to define maximum packet size
- Options:
 - Take the minimum of the maximum packets sizes over all networks
 - Implement fragmentation/reassembly
 - Flexibility to adjust packet sizes as new technologies arrive
 - IP: fragment at routers, reassemble at host
 - Why not reassemble at routers?
 - Still stuck with 1500B as de facto maximum

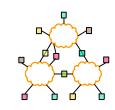


Other Challenges



- Errors → require end-to-end reliability
 - Thought to be rarely invoked, but necessary
- Different (routing) protocols → coordinate these protocols
- Accounting
 - Did not envision script kiddies
- Quality of Service
 - Not addressed

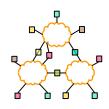
Key problem: Heterogeneity



- Not described as such in paper
- Heterogeneous addressing conventions => common addressing scheme
- Heterogeneous MTU => fragmentation
- Heterogeneous queuing/transit delays =>adaptive "timing procedures"
- Heterogeneous reliability => end-to-end recovery mechanisms
- Heterogeneous control/status info => common error/coordination mechanism

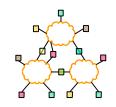


Principle 3



- Best effort delivery
- All packets are treated the same
- Relatively simple core network elements
- Building block from which other services (such as reliable data stream) can be built
- Contributes to scalability of network



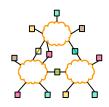


- Fate sharing
- Critical state only at endpoints
- Only endpoint failure disrupts communication
- Helps survivability





Principle 5

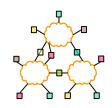


Soft-state

- Announce state
- Refresh state
- Timeout state
- Penalty for timeout poor performance
- Robust way to identify communication flows
 - Possible mechanism to provide non-best effort service
- Helps survivability

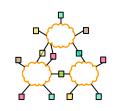


Principle 6



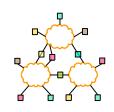
- Decentralization
- Each network owned and managed separately
- Will see this in BGP routing especially





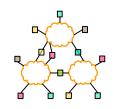
- Be conservative in what you send and liberal in what you accept
 - Unwritten rule
- Especially useful since many protocol specifications are ambiguous
- E.g. TCP will accept and ignore bogus acknowledgements

Survivability



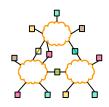
- Continue to operate even in the presence of network failures (e.g., link and router failures)
 - As long as the network is not partitioned, two endpoint should be able to communicate, moreover, any other failure (excepting network partition) should be transparent to endpoints
- Decision: maintain state only at end-points (fatesharing)
 - Eliminate the problem of handling state inconsistency and performing state restoration when router fails
- Internet: stateless network architecture

2. Types of Services



- Add UDP to TCP to better support other types of applications
 - e.g., "real-time" applications
- Probably main reason for separating TCP and IP
- Provide datagram abstraction: lower common denominator on which other services can be built
 - service differentiation considered (ToS header bits)
 - was not widely deployed (why?)

3. Variety of Networks



Very successful

 because the minimalist service; it requires from underlying network only to deliver a packet with a "reasonable" probability of success

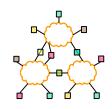
...does not require:

reliability, in-order delivery, single delivery, QoS guarantees

IP over everything

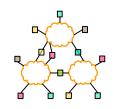
- Then: ARPANET, X.25, DARPA satellite network...
- Now: ATM, SONET, WDM, PPP, USB, 802.11b, GSM, GPRS, DSL, cable modems, power lines





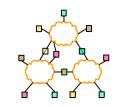
- The service can be implemented by a large variety of network technologies
- Does not require routers to maintain any fined grained state about traffic. Thus, network architecture is
 - Robust
 - Scalable

Other Goals



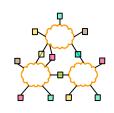
- Allow distributed management
 - each network can be managed by a different organization
 - different organizations need to interact only at the boundaries
 - doesn't work so well for routing, accounting
- Cost effective
 - sources of inefficiency
 - header overhead
 - retransmissions
 - Routing
 - Congestion control

Other Goals (Cont)



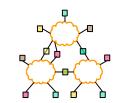
- Low cost of attaching a new host
 - not a strong point → higher than other architecture because the intelligence is in hosts (e.g., telephone vs. computer)
 - Moore's law made this moot point, both <\$100</p>
 - bad implementations or malicious users can produce considerably harm (remember fatesharing?)
 - DDoS possibly biggest threat to Internet
- Accountability
 - very little so far
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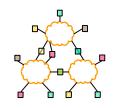
- At network layer provides one simple service: best effort datagram (packet) delivery
- Only one higher level service implemented at transport layer: reliable data delivery (TCP)
 - performance enhancement; used by a large variety of applications (Telnet, FTP, HTTP)
 - does not impact other applications (can use UDP)
- Everything else implemented at application level

What About Other Services?



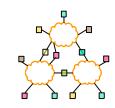
- Multicast?
- Quality of Service (QoS)?
- Security, virus?
- Trust?
- **...**

IP Design Weaknesses



- Greedy sources aren't handled well
- Weak accounting and pricing tools
- Weak administration and management tools
- Trust is problem now
- Incremental deployment difficult at times
 - Result of no centralized control
 - No more "flag" days
 - Are active networks the solution?

Summary: Minimalist Approach



Dumb network

- IP provide minimal functionalities to support connectivity
 - Addressing, forwarding, routing

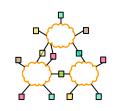
Smart end system

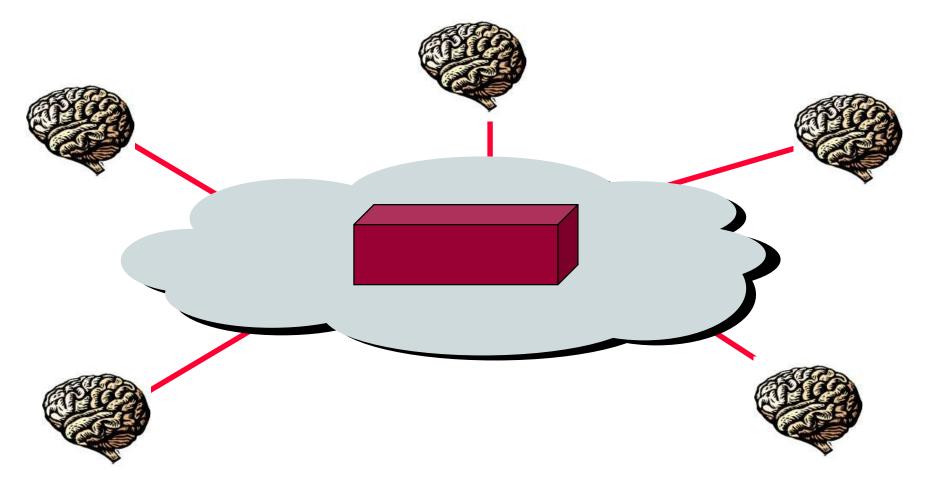
- Transport layer or application performs more sophisticated functionalities
 - Flow control, error control, congestion control

Advantages

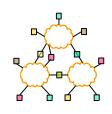
- Accommodate heterogeneous technologies (Ethernet, modem, satellite, wireless)
- Support diverse applications (telnet, ftp, Web, X windows)
- Decentralized network administration

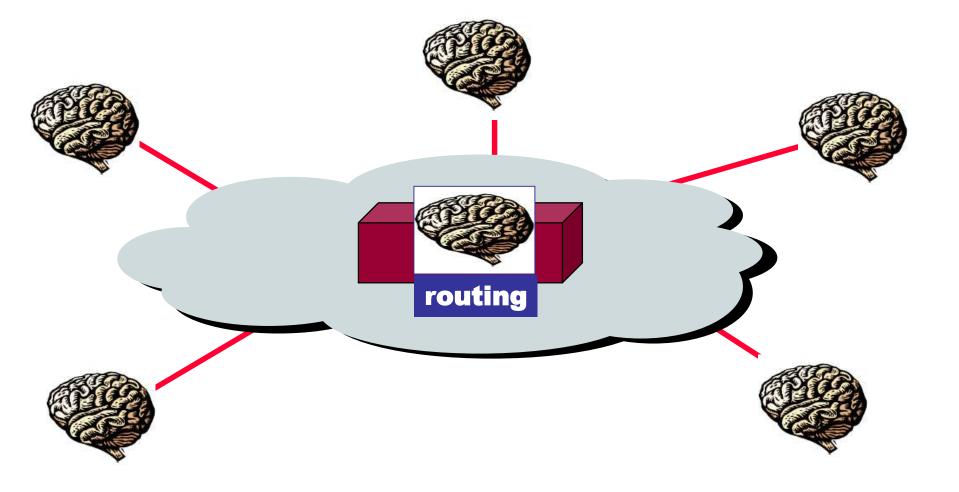
Common View of the IP Network



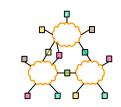


Needs some intelligence!



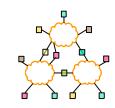


How 1P was implemented?



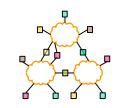
- IP addressed facing problems in different ways?
- For details read Paper: "A Protocol for Packet Network Intercommunication".
- Also see "IP Next Generation Overview"

Transmission Control Program



- Original TCP/IP (Cerf & Kahn)
 - no separation between transport (TCP) and network (IP) layers
 - one common header flow control, but not congestion control (why not?)
 - fragmentation handled by TCP
- Today's TCP/IP
 - separate transport (TCP) and network (IP) layer (why?)
 - split the common header in: TCP and UDP headers
 - fragmentation reassembly done by IP
 - congestion control

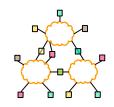
Standardized?



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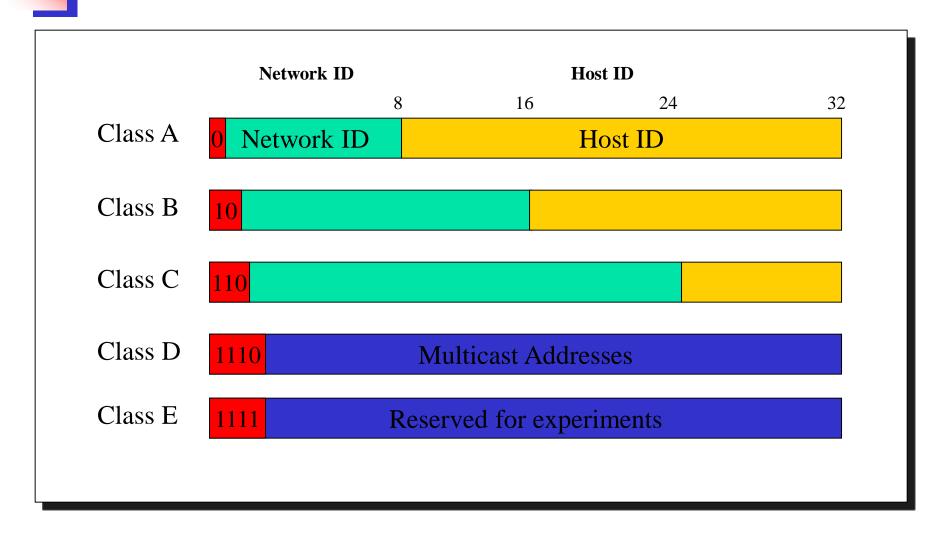
- Voluntary organization
- Meeting every 4 months
- Working groups and email discussions
- "We reject kings, presidents, and voting; we believe in rough consensus and running code" (Dave Clark 1992)
 - Need 2 independent, interoperable implementations for standard

Problems in reality

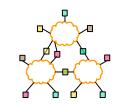


- IP address problem
 - New requirements for services
 - QoS
 - Security, trust
 - So many protocols, fast changing environments, ...
 - SDN is a solution?

IP Address Classes (Some are Obsolete)



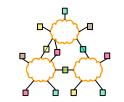
IP Address Problem (1991)

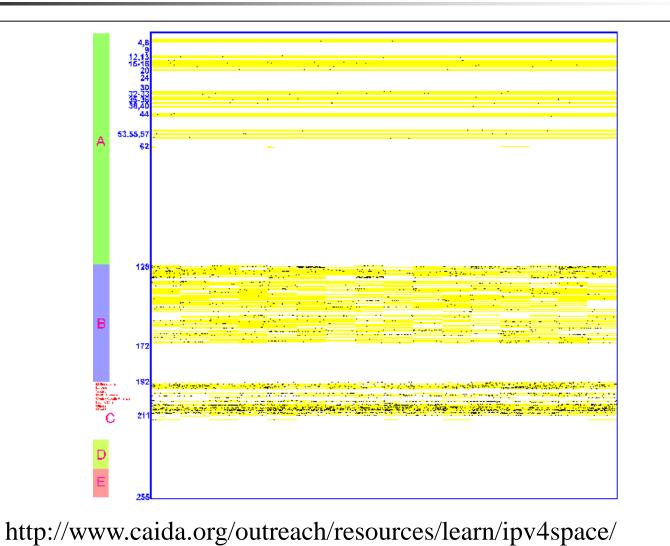


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- Address space depletion
 - In danger of running out of classes A and B
- Why?
 - Class C too small for most domains
 - Very few class A IANA (Internet Assigned Numbers Authority) very careful about giving
 - Class B greatest problem

IP Address Utilization ('98) 🔆



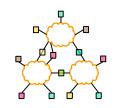


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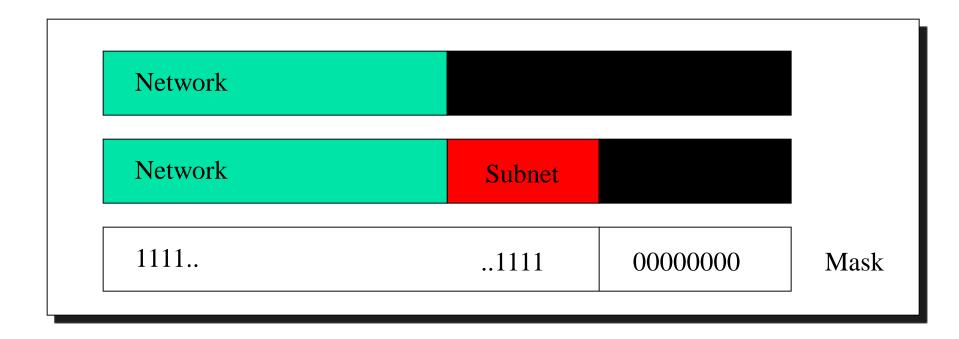
Subnet Addressing – RFC917 (1984)

- For class B & C networks
- Very few LANs have close to 64K hosts
 - For electrical/LAN limitations, performance or administrative reasons
- Need simple way to get multiple "networks"
 - Use bridging, multiple IP networks or split up single network address ranges (subnet)
 - Must reduce the total number of network addresses that are assigned

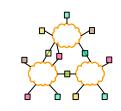




- Variable length subnet masks
 - Could subnet a class B into several chunks



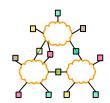
Network Address Translation (NAT)

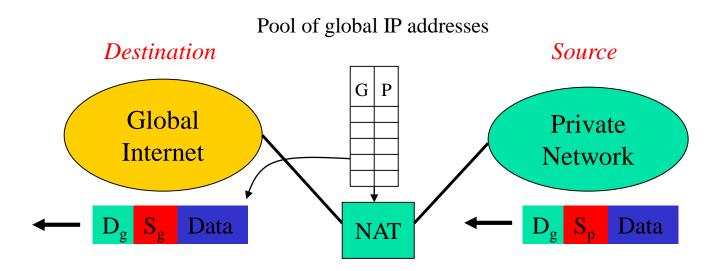


- Sits between your network and the Internet
- Translates local network layer addresses to global IP addresses
- Has a pool of global IP addresses (less than number of hosts on your network)



NAT Illustration





- Operation: Source (S) wants to talk to Destination (D):
 - Create S_g-S_p mapping
 - Replace S_p with S_g for outgoing packets
 - Replace S_g with S_p for incoming packets

Classless Inter-Domain Routing

- Do not use classes to determine network ID
- Assign any range of addresses to network
 - Use common part of address as network number
 - e.g., addresses 192.4.16 196.4.31 have the first 28 bits in common. Thus, we use this as the network number
 - netmask is /28, /xx is valid for almost any xx
- Enables more efficient usage of address space (and router tables)

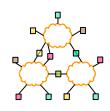
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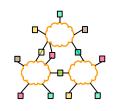


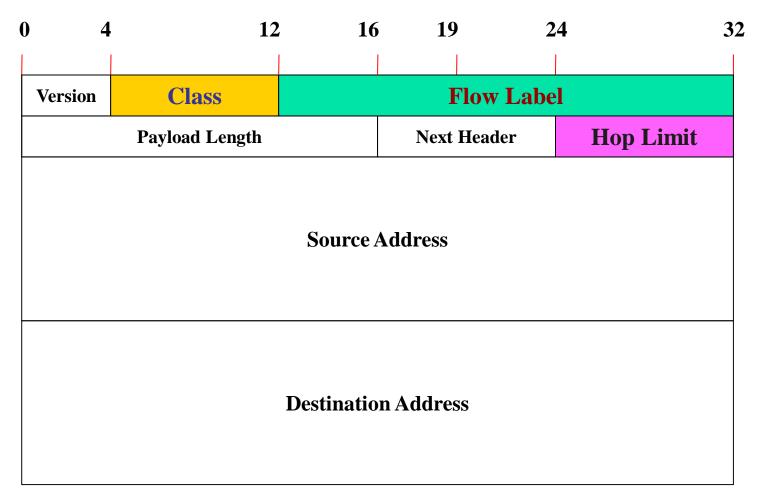
IPv6 Changes



- Scale addresses are 128bit
 - Header size?
- Simplification
 - Removes infrequently used parts of header
 - 40byte fixed size vs. 20+ byte variable
- IPv6 removes checksum
 - Relies on upper layer protocols to provide integrity
- IPv6 eliminates fragmentation
 - Requires path MTU discovery
 - Requires 1280 byte MTU



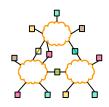




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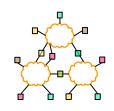


IPv6 Changes



- TOS replaced with traffic class octet
- Flow
 - Help soft state systems
 - Maps well onto TCP connection or stream of UDP packets on host-port pair
- Easy configuration
 - Provides auto-configuration using hardware MAC address to provide unique base
- Additional requirements
 - Support for security
 - Support for mobility



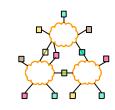


- Protocol field replaced by next header field
 - Support for protocol demultiplexing as well as option processing
- Option processing
 - Options are added using next header field
 - Options header does not need to be processed by every router
 - Large performance improvement
 - Makes options practical/useful



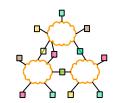
- Datagram not the best abstraction for:
 - resource management, accountability, QoS
- A new abstraction: flow?
- Routers require to maintain per-flow state (what is the main problem with this raised by Clark?)
 - state management

Devil's Advocate



- Who cares about resource sharing?
 - 1974: cycles, storage, bandwidth expensive, people cheap
 - Today: resources cheap, people expensive
 - 1974: Share computer resources
 - Today: Communicate with people, access documents, buy, sell
- Does it still make sense to make processes the endpoint?
- Where do people and organizations fit into the ISO reavering model? Computer Network 51

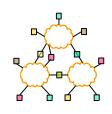
End-to-End Argument (Principle 2)



- Deals with where to place functionality
 - Inside the network (in switching elements)
 - At the edges
- Argument
 - There are functions that can only be correctly implemented by the endpoints do not try to completely implement these at them elsewhere
 - Can provide a partial form as performance enhancement
 - Guideline not a law

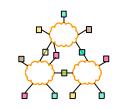


End-to-End Argument

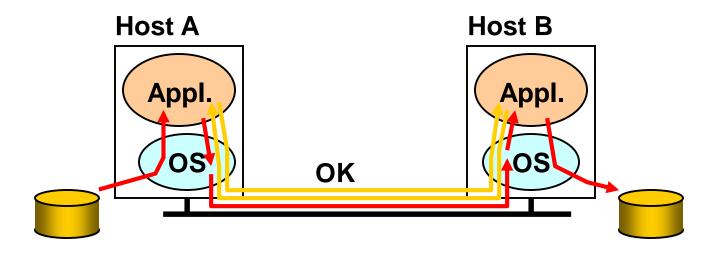


- Think twice before implementing a functionality that you believe that is useful to an application at a lower layer
- If the application can implement a functionality correctly, implement it a lower layer only as a performance enhancement

Example: Reliable File Transfer

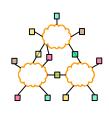


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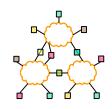
- Solution 1: make each step reliable, and then concatenate them
- Solution 2: end-to-end check and retry





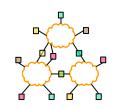
- Solution 1 not complete
 - What happens if the sender or/and receiver misbehave?
- The receiver has to do the check anyway!
- Thus, full functionality can be entirely implemented at application layer; no need for reliability from lower layers

Discussion



- Is there any need to implement reliability at lower layers?
- Yes, but only to improve performance
- Example:
 - Assume a high error rate on communication network
 - Then, a reliable communication service at data link layer might help

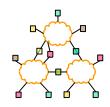
Trade-offs



- Application has more information about the data and the semantic of the service it requires (e.g., can check only at the end of each data unit)
- A lower layer has more information about constraints in data transmission (e.g., packet size, error rate)
- Note: these trade-offs are a direct result of layering!

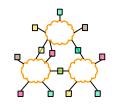


Rule of Thumb



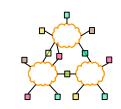
Implementing a functionality at a lower level should have minimum performance impact on the application that do not use the functionality

Example: File Transfer

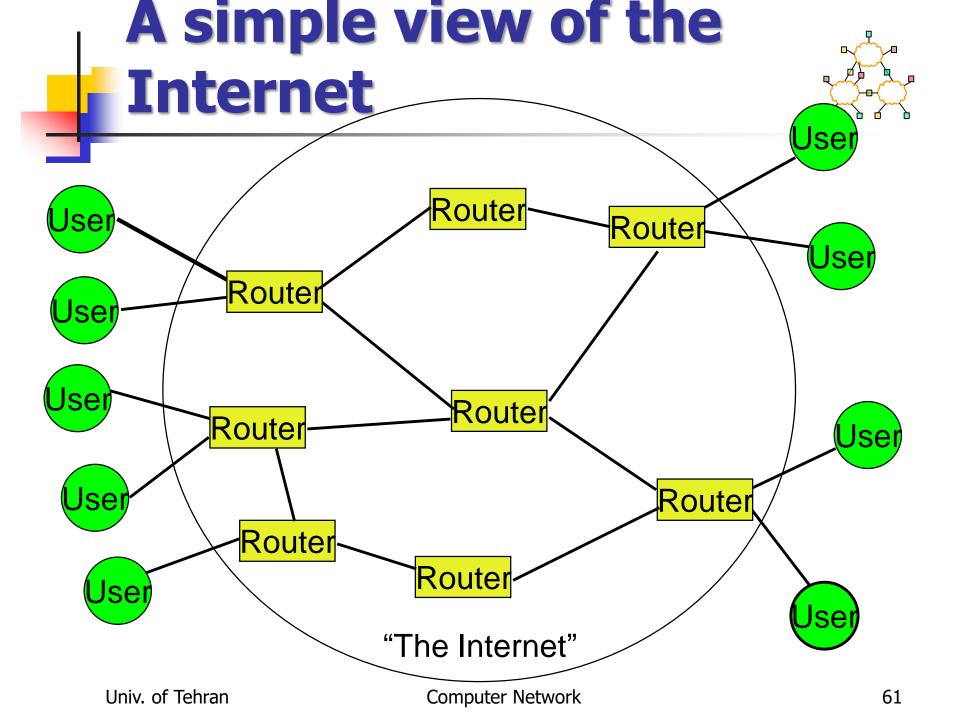


- Even if network guaranteed reliable delivery
 - Need to provide end-to-end checks
 - E.g., network card may malfunction
- If network is highly unreliable
 - Adding some level of reliability helps performance, not correctness
 - Don't try to achieve perfect reliability!
- Is FTP like this?
 - TCP provides reliability between kernels not disks

Internet & End-to-End Argument



- Provides one simple service: best effort datagram (packet) delivery
- Only one higher level service implemented at transport layer: reliable data delivery (TCP)
 - Performance enhancement; used by a large variety of applications (Telnet, FTP, HTTP)
 - Does not impact other applications (can use UDP)
- Everything else implemented at application level
- Move functions "up and out".
- The network should be "as transparent as technology permits".





- ser empowerment.
 - Run what you please.
- Flexibility in the face of unknown applications.
 - A network to hook computers together.
- Lower cost in core of network.
 - Eliminate special "features".
 - Rely on edge-node equipment.
- More robust applications.
 - No unexpected failures of third-party nodes.



- There are "new" factors to consider:
 - Assured operation in an untrustworthy world.
 - More demanding applications.
 - Growing need for enhanced services.
 - Less sophisticated users.
 - User empowerment is a burden.
 - Does today's software really empower the user?
 - Third parties who want to intervene.
 - New sorts of end-node devices.
 - Appliances, not PCs.
 - The evolving role of the Internet Service Provider.

In the brave new world

- The end to end model does not empower the ISP.
 - ISPs want to sell services, add value, and make money.
 - New network services (or not), protection, control of applications/content, accounting.
- The end to end model does not empower rights holders.
- The end to end model does not empower governments.
 - Control of content, taxation, consumer protection, law enforcement.
- The end to end model does not empower employers.
- The end to end model only empowers certain

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The E2E argument at the network level

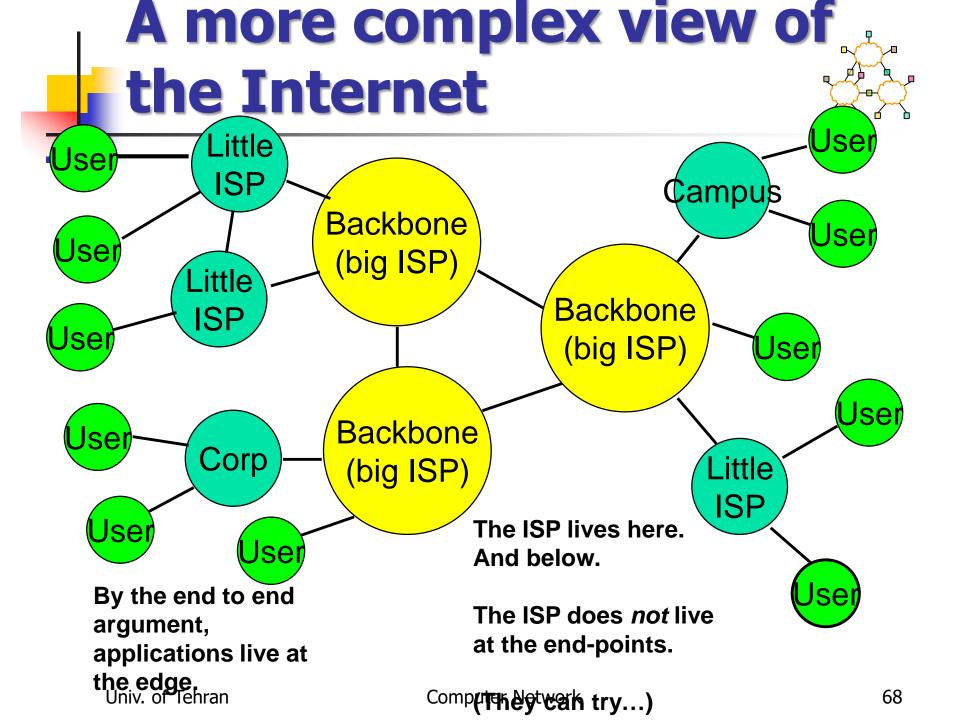
- At the network level:
 - More complex role for commercial ISPs
 - vertical integration of transport/QoS with apps.
 - control of what apps users can use.
 - filtering of unacceptable behavior.
 - Others (e.g., employers, universities) restrict activities.
 - Firewalls, filters
 - Governments propose controls in the net.
- The Internet is hard to find and control.
 - What is the Internet?

The end to end argument functions at two levels

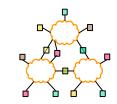
- At the "network" level:
 - Avoid putting constraining per-application functions into the core of the network.
 - Build general purpose services.
- At the "application" level:
 - Build applications in a way that makes them robust, easy to use, reliable, etc.
 - Simple approach: push software to the edge.
 - Perhaps more realistic: reason carefully about role of servers, trusted third parties, etc.
 - Increasing concern about the goal of making
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The end to end argument at the application level

- At the application level:
 - Ease of use, mutual distrust, multi-party interactions may motivate servers and services other than at the endpoints of the users.
 - Relays for content, trusted third parties.
 - How do we make these applications robust?
 - How do the parties know who they are talking to?
 - Appliance and devices motivate new designs.
- Both ISPs and ASPs (A = Application) want to "get into the action".
- ISP involvement will imply constraints on location/structure.



Some ideas for moving forward



- Labels.
 - A compromise between autonomy and visibility of action.
- Distinction between private and public communication.
 - Accept that private communication is not restricted.
 - Focus on communication "to the public".
- New principles for application design.
 - Do not force an end-node implementation.
 - Allow the user to select an alternative.
 - A more sophisticated form of empowerment.
- Tolerance for experimentation.
 - Thatowhich is not forbiddenuis permitted?

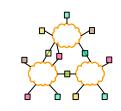
Some "contradictions" in the end to end approach:

- How can we build a trustworthy network out of edge-devices that cannot be trusted?
- How can we have anonymity and accountability?
- How can the network control unacceptable behavior and still permit unknown applications?
 - Flexibility is critical if the Internet is to be a part of the computer world.
- Must find a balance among the goals.

What has really changed?

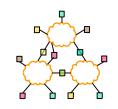
- A loss of trust among users.
 - Global communication with local trust.
- The need to factor in economic forces.
 - Role of commercial (and other) ISPs.
- The change in the nature of the user base.
 - Less sophisticated: ease of use, protection concerns
- Co-evolution of technology and law.
 - Complex cycle of evolution.
 - Geographic differences.
- Change in nature of innovation.
- Big players.

Summary: End-to-End Argument



- If the application can do it, don't do it at a lower layer -- anyway the application knows the best what it needs
 - Add functionality in lower layers iff it is (1) used and improves performances of a large number of applications, and (2) does not hurt other applications
- Success story: Internet

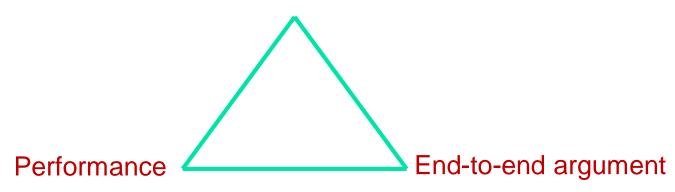
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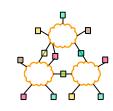
Challenge of building a good (network) system: find the right balance between:

Reuse, implementation effort (apply layering concepts)



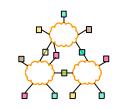
 No universal answer: the answer depends on the goals and assumptions!





- Architecture developed in simpler times
 - Common goals, consistent vision
- With success, the goals of different players have diverged— examples:
 - ISPs must talk to provide connectivity but are fierce competitors
 - Privacy of users vs. government's need to monitor
 - User's desire to exchange files vs. copyright owners
- Must deal with the tussle between concerns in design

New Principles?



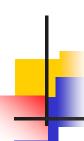
- Design for variation in outcome
 - Allow design to be flexible to different uses/results
- Isolate tussles
 - QoS designs uses separate ToS bits instead of overloading other parts of packet like port number
 - Separate QoS decisions from application/protocol design
- Provide choice: allow all parties to make choices on interactions
 - Creates competition
 - Feat between providers helps shape the tussle

Trust-to-Trust Principle

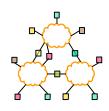
- Security and Trust are big issues today. To see a website, you have to trust 10 parties.
- Did they ignored them in the early design?
 - They thought about it. They were familiar with malware in 1970's
 - They make few mistakes
 - They did not know what the security means.
 - They assumed users can trust each others
 - And the end nodes are reliable.
 - They did not know how to model/modularize the security/trust.



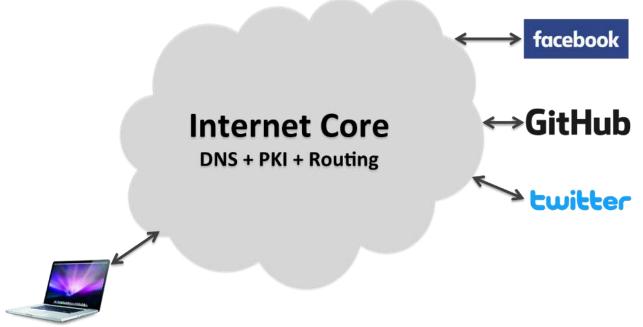
- Some basic question on the end point
 - Not everything in the end point
 - Cash server, mail server, Clouds, CDN
 - What about human in VoIP.
- Trust to Trust is a generalization of End to End principle.
 - The end user should have control over the trust decisions.
 - Move trust from the core of the network to the edges.



Trust to trust Internet



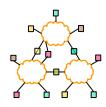
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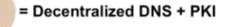


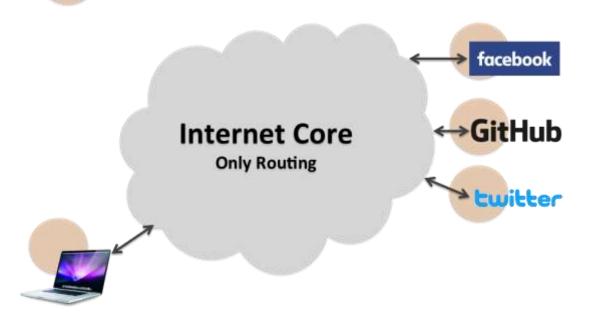
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End to End Internet







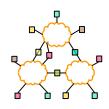
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What do we face Today

- Internet is a huge system
 - Very Complicated
 - Around 7000 RFCs
 - Difficult to modify/change
 - Not easy to fix bugs
 - Not easy to innovate
- Overwhelming demands for scale and new services
- Solution?
 - Complexity: new design?
 - Flexibility: move to software?
- Is SDN a solution?



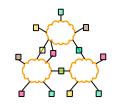
NSF Programs



- Stagnation
 - 100x100 → Clean Slate Design
 - PlanetLab
 - Overcoming the Internet Impasse through Virtualization → GENI
- Internet architecture projects
 - Named Data Networking
 - MobilityFirst
 - eXpressive Internet Architecture



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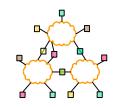
<u>1988</u> <u>2008</u>

- 1.Internet communication must continue despite loss of networks or gateways.
- 2. The Internet must support multiple types of communications service.
- 3. The Internet architecture must accommodate a variety of networks.
- 4. The Internet architecture must permit distributed management of its resources.
- 5. The Internet architecture must be cost effective.
- 6. The Internet architecture must permit host attachment with a low level of effort.
- 7. The resources used in the Internet architecture must be accountable.

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- 1.End2end integrity/confidentiality with encryption
- 2.Routing and TTL but little else
- 3.None
- 4.None
- 5.None
- 6.Has been effective but parts such as addressing
- 7. Was developed in very heterogeneous settings. Hard to predict
- 8. Mobile and optical have raised issues. Link failure and network management interactions could be better.
- 9.Done well but are important applications just ignored?
- 10.It does work ©

Named Data Networking

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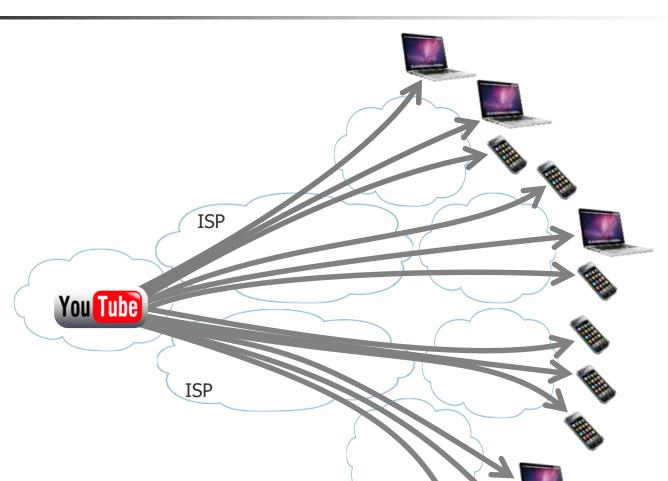
- First applications strictly focused on host-to-host interprocess communication:
 - Remote login, file transfer, ...
- Internet was built around this host-to-host model.
- Architecture is well-suited for communication between pairs of stationary hosts.

... while today

- Vast majority of Internet usage is data retrieval and service access.
- Users care about the content and are oblivious to location. They are often oblivious as to delivery time:
 - Fetching headlines from CNN, videos from YouTube, TV from Tivo
 - Accessing a bank account at <u>www.bank.com</u>.

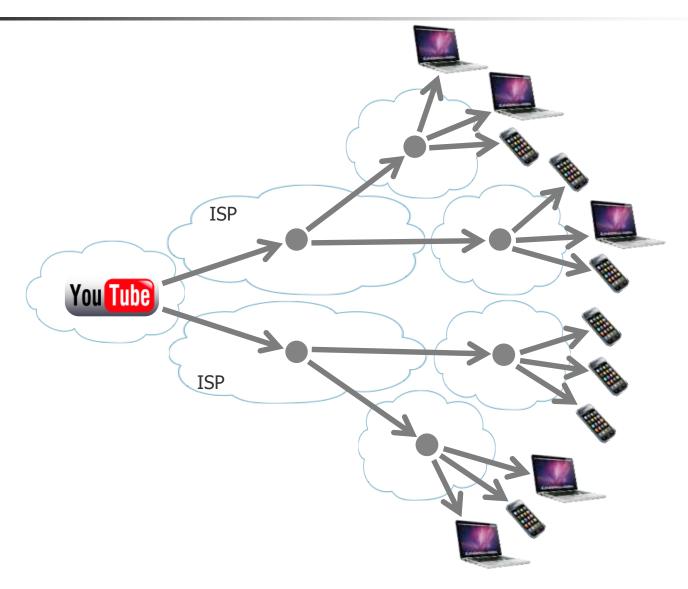
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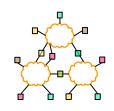
What should the network look



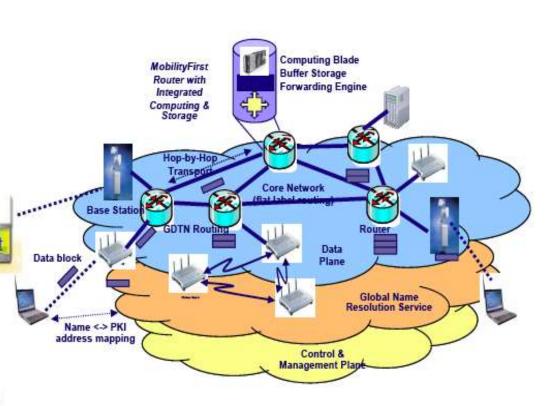




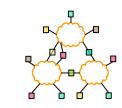
MobilityFirst Architecture

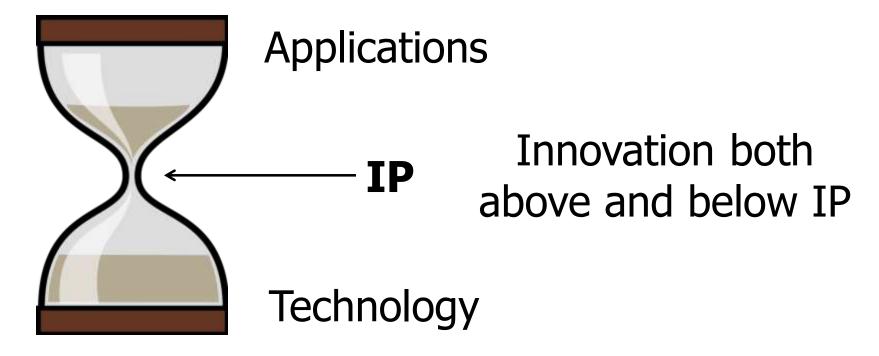


- MobilityFirst key protocol features:
 - Fast global naming service
 - Self-certifying public key names
 - Dynamic mapping of name to topological network address(es)
 - Routers support both flat name and hierarchical address routing
 - Storage-aware (generalized DTN) routing in access
 - Hop-by-hop (segmented) transport
 - Programmable computing layer
 - Support for content/context/location
 - Separate network mgmt plane
- New components, very distinct from IP, intended to achieve key mobility and trust goals



A History of Internet Evolution





- Hard to change IP
 - ...especially after 1990

XIA: An Evolvable Internet Architecture

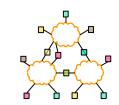
Network design

End-point design

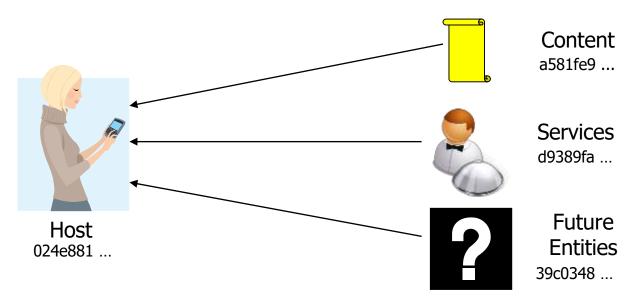
How do we design a network in which we can gracefully introduce new functionality?

How should the end-points change when the networks provide new functionality?

XIA: Evolvable Set of Principals



- Identifying the intended communicating entities reduces complexity and overhead
 - No need to force all communication at a lower level (hosts), as in today's Internet
- Allows the network to evolve





- IP lookup
 - How router find packets' output ports.
- References
 - DMP-tree: A dynamic M-way prefix tree data structure for strings matching, Nasser Yazdani, Hossein Mohammadi http://www.sciencedirect.com