

# CS Revision Lecture 1, 2

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- **Lecture 1 - Introduction**

- **Goal of the course**

- Identify **security, privacy and trust issues** in various aspect of computing, such as
      - programs
      - Operating Systems
      - Networks
      - Distributed systems
      - Internet applications
    - The ability to **critically read and digest the key elements** of research papers in the field
    - The awareness of how **security, privacy and trust** can be achieved in practice

- **Who is We?**

- Ordinary Citizen
    - Whistle blower
    - Corporate worker
    - Dissident activist
    - Secret agent

- **What is Security?**

- The main general properties are:
      - **Confidentiality**
        - Information access to only **authorized(authenticity)** entities
      - **Integrity**
        - The data is **untampered** and **uncorrupted**

- **Availability**
  - Both the data and the system that provides **access** to it are there **when you need** them

#### • What is Privacy?

- Concerns **individuals** and their **expectations** on how their data, behaviour and interactions are recorded, utilized and spread.
- A useful definition: "**Information self-determination**"
  - A **person** gets **control** information about **themselves**.
  - Controls can include:
    - **Who** gets to **see** it
    - **Who** gets to **use** it
    - **What** they can **use** it for
    - **Who** they can **give** it to

#### • What is Trust?

- We trust when we have:
  - **Assurance**
    - The **means to know** that the system is secure
  - **Reliability/Resilience**
    - To **operate intact** in the face of natural disasters and human-launched attacks
  - **Accountability**
    - The **means to verify** that the system is operating as designed (i.e. securely)
  - NB: There is a difference between **trustworthy** and **trusted**

#### • Who are Adversaries?

- All systems are vulnerable to all matter of threats

- Adversary types:
  - Nature
  - Script Kiddies
  - Crackers/Hackers
  - Organised Crime
  - Governments
  - Terrorists
- Thread Modeling
  - **Who** is the adversary (the system may protect against many types)?
  - **What** are they allowed to do? Or, what can't we prevent them from doing?
    - The adversary need not be malicious, he/she could be merely curious
  - **What** do we want to prevent the adversary from doing or learning?
    - What is the adversary's aim? Or, what does he/she win?
  - The set of threats we want to protect against given this(set of) adversaries
    - What do we win?
    - What does the adversary win?
- Terminology
  - **Assets: Things we want to protect**, like:
    - Hardware
    - Software
    - Information
  - **Vulnerabilities: Weaknesses in a system that may be exploited**

- Example: Public facing email server without spam protection
- **Threats:**
  - **Loss or damage to the system, its users or operators**
    - E.g. Proprietary source code being stolen and sold
  - The six major categories of threats:
    - Interception
    - Interruption
    - Modification
    - Fabrication
    - Repudiation
    - Epistemic
- **Attack: An action that exploits a vulnerability to carry out a threat**
  - E.g. Hacking the company public facing email server to read emails to steal company trade-secrets
- **Controls:**
  - **Mitigating or removing a vulnerability**
  - The control mitigates a vulnerability to prevent an attack and that defends against a threat
  - No system is perfect: Control vulnerabilities when discovered
- **Security Principles**
  - Economy of mechanism: easy to understand, verify and maintain
  - Fail-safe defaults: conservative permission and functionality
  - Complete mediation: every access should be checked (again)
  - Open design: no security by obscurity

- Separation of privilege: cooperation required to act, no single point of failure
- Least privilege: programs and users on bare minimum of access
- Least common mechanism: minimize shared means of access to resources
- Psychological acceptability: well designed UI that are intuitive and clear
- Work factor: compare effort for the value of the resource
- Compromise recording: record failures and breaches
- **Common defence methods**
  - There are 5 common defence patterns:
    - Prevent
    - Deter
    - Deflect
    - Detect
    - Recover
    - NB: Not all attacks can be prevented!
  - Best practice to employ some form of all to get "defence in depth"
- **Trade-offs**
  - Can we have secure, privacy-friendly and trustworthy (SecPrivTru) systems? **NO!**
    - Privacy means potentially hiding information; The system can not assure to be safe when it does not know all the data?
  - SecPrivTru vs. Cost
    - There is a cost to operate more secure systems
    - Are the assets worth the effort?
    - Non-technical solutions (e.g. insurance)

- SecPrivTru vs. Performance
  - There is an overhead to gain SecPrivTru properties
  - How much performance degradation can we tolerate?
  - What properties do we really need?
- How secure, private, trusted should it be?
  - Weakest link
    - An adversary will attack the most vulnerable part of the system, not the one that is the easiest for you to defend
    - Requires thinking like an attacker
    - Attack trees and threat modeling can be useful tools
  - Cost-benefit analysis
    - Economic incentives
    - Do not spend more on protecting an asset than it is worth
      - What about users privacy?
- Defence tools of the trade
  - Protect assets that can be
    - Hardware, software, data (PII, social graph, confidential information, etc.)
  - Many form of control
    - **Cryptography**
      - Protects the data, making it unreadable by anyone without keys
      - Authenticating users with digital signatures
      - Authenticating transactions with cryptographic protocols
      - Ensures the integrity of data against unauthorized modification
    - **Software controls**
      - Passwords

- Sandboxes
- Virus scanners
- Source code versioning systems
- Software Firewalls
- Privacy enhancing technologies (PETs)
- **Hardware controls**
  - Fingerprint readers
  - Smart tokens
  - Firewalls
  - Intrusion detection systems
- **Physical controls**
  - Protecting against unauthorized physical access to hardware
  - Locks
  - Guards
  - Off-site backups
  - Not placing critical systems in natural disaster zones
- **Policies and procedures**
  - Non-technical means to protect against some type of attacks
  - Disallow personal hotspot within work place
  - Password rules
  - Security training against social engineering attacks
- **Recap**
  - What is our goal in this course?
    - Identify security and privacy issues

- Design systems that are more protective of security and privacy
- What is Security?
  - Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability, Authenticity
- What is Privacy?
  - Informational self-determination
- What is Trust?
  - Assurance, Reliability/Resilience, Accountability
- Who are the adversaries?
  - Threat modeling
  - Learn to think like an attacker
- Trade-offs
  - Security, Privacy, Performance, Cost
- Assets, vulnerabilities, threats, attacks and controls
  - You control a vulnerability to prevent an attack and block a threat
- Methods of defence
  - Cryptography, software controls, hardware controls, physical controls, policies and procedures

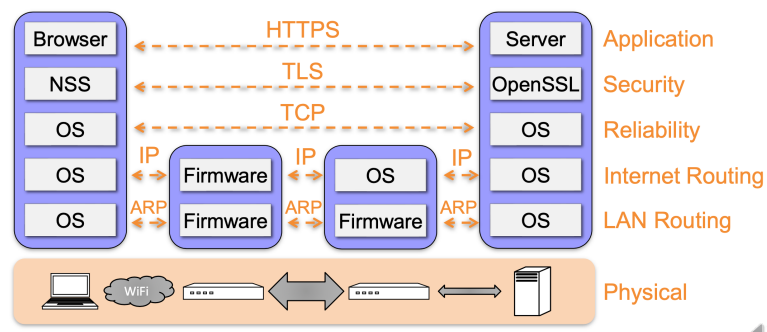
## • Lecture 2 - Network security: Networking Principles

### • Network Communication

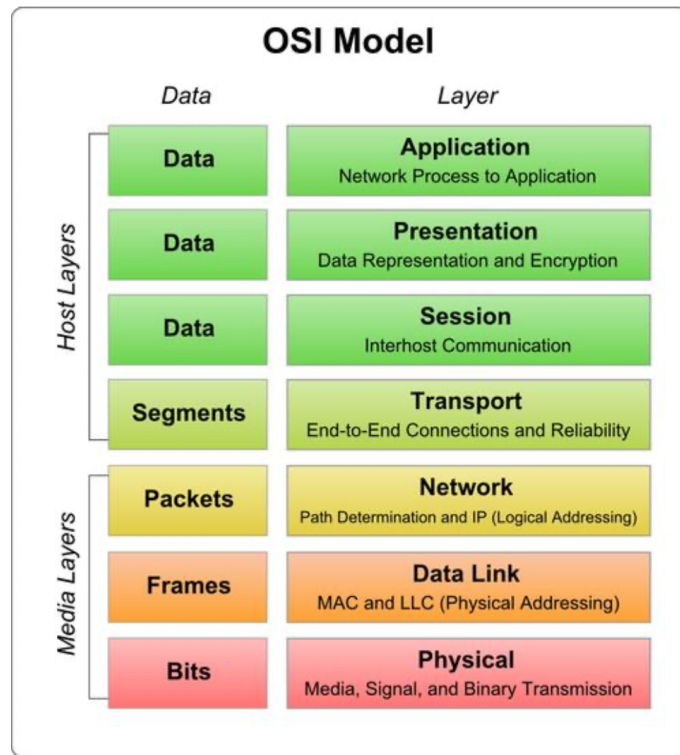
- Communication in modern networks is characterised by the following fundamental principles
  - Packet switching
    - Data splits into **packets**
    - Each packet is
      - Transported **independently** through network
      - Handled on a **best efforts** basis by each device



- Packets may
  - Follow different routes between the same endpoints
  - Be dropped by an intermediate device and never delivered
- **Stack of layers**
  - Network communication models use a stack of layers
    - Higher layers use services of lower layers
    - Physical channel at the bottommost layer
  - A network device implements several layers
  - A communication channel between two devices is established for each layer
    - Actual channel at the bottom layer
    - Virtual channel at the higher layers
- Internet Stack (simplified)

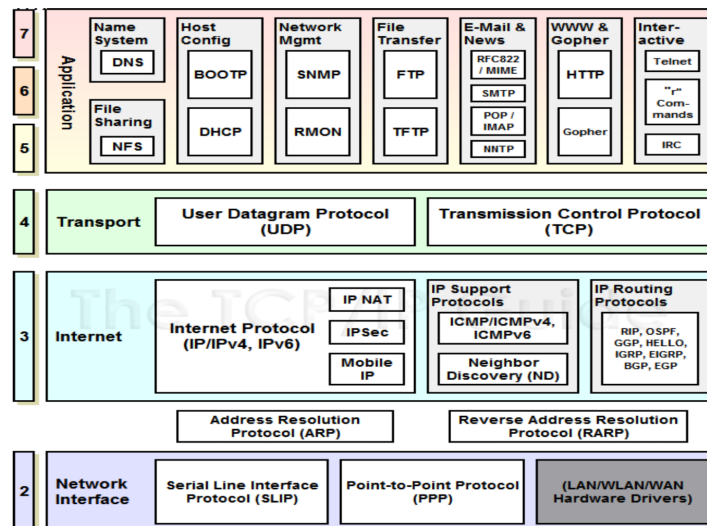


- The OSI model



- The **OSI** (Open System Interconnect) Reference Model is a network model consisting of **seven** layers
- Created in 1983, OSI is promoted by the International Standard Organization (ISO)

#### TCP/IP Model Mapped onto OSI



#### Encapsulation

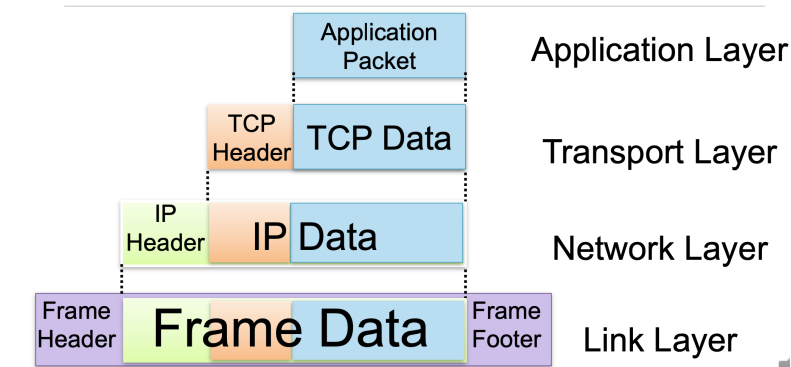
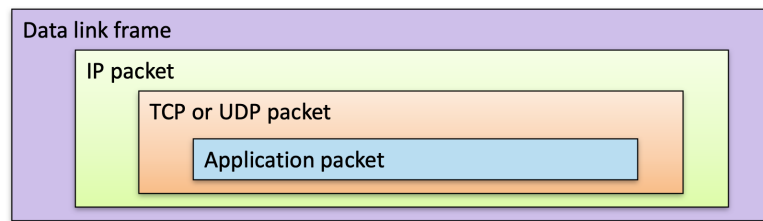
A packet typically consists of

- Control information: **header** and **footer**
- Data: **payload**

- A protocol P uses the services of another protocol Q through **encapsulation**



- A packet p of P is encapsulated into a packet q of Q
- The payload of q is p
- The control information of q is derived from that of p
- Internet Packet Encapsulation



- Application Layer >> Transport Layer >> Network Layer >> Link Layer

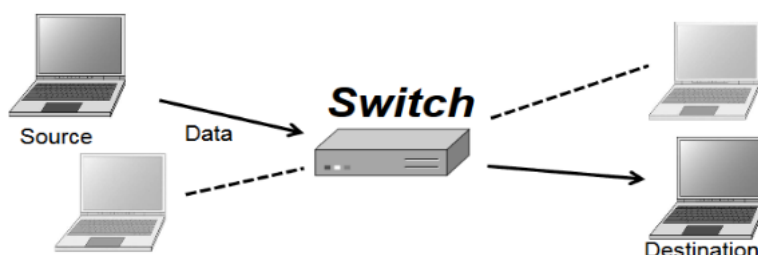
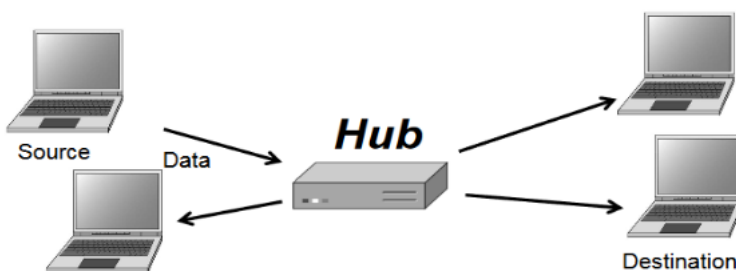
## • Network Interfaces

- device connecting a device to a network
  - Ethernet card
  - Wifi adapter
  - DSL modem
- A computer may have multiple network interfaces
- Packets transmitted between network interfaces

- Most local area networks, (including Ethernet and WiFi) broadcast frames
- **Media Access Control (MAC) Addresses**
  - Most network interfaces come with a predefined MAC address
  - A MAC address is a 48-bit number usually represented in hex
    - E.g., **00-1A-92-D4-BF-86**
  - The first three octets of any MAC address are IEEE-assigned Organizationally Unique Identifiers
  - The next three can be assigned by organizations as they please, with uniqueness being the only constraint

- **Switch**

- A switch perform **routing** in a **local area network**
  - Operates at the link layer
  - Has multiple interfaces, each connected to a computer/segment
- **Operation of a switch**



- Learn the MAC address of each computer connected to it
- Forward frames only to the destination computer

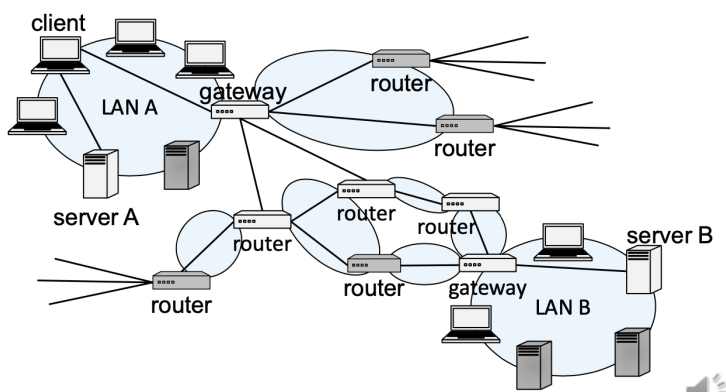
### Hub

- Forward frames to all computer

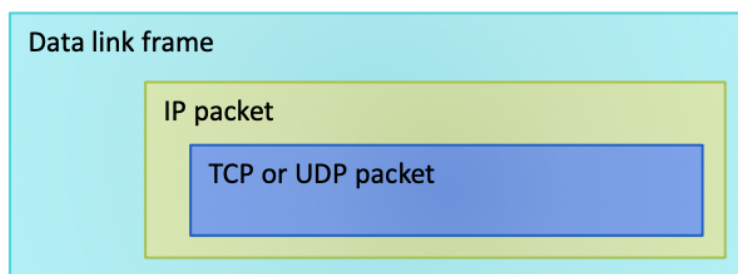
### Combining Switches

- Switches can be arranged into a **tree**
- Each forwards frames for the MAC addresses of the machines in the segments (subtrees) connected to it\
- Frames to unknown MAC addresses are **broadcast**
- Frames to MAC addresses in the **same segment** as the sender are **ignored**

### The internet



### Internet Protocols(IP) Functions



### Addressing:

- In order to delivery data, IP needs to be aware of where to deliver data to, and hence includes addressing systems

- **Routing:**
  - IP might be required to communicate across networks, and communicate with networks not directly connected to the current network
- **Fragmentation and Reassembly:**
  - IP packets are carried across networks which may have **different maximum packet length**

## IP Addresses and Packets

- IP Addresses
  - IPV4: 32bit  $4 * 8$
  - IPV6: 128bit  $8 * 16$
- Address subdivided into **network**, **subnet**, and **host**
  - E.g., **128.148.32.110**
- Broadcast addresses
  - E.g., 128.148.32.**255**
- Private networks
  - not routed outside of a LAN
  - 10.0.0.0/8
  - 172.16.0.0/12
  - 192.168.0.0/16
- **IP header includes**

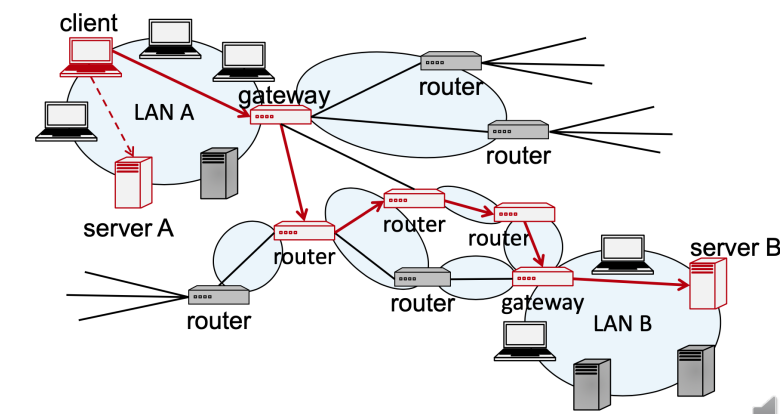
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source			
destination			

- Source address
- Destination address

- Packet length (up to 64KB)
- Time to live (up to 255)
- IP protocol version
- Fragmentation information
- Transport layer protocol information (e.g., TCP)

## IP Routing

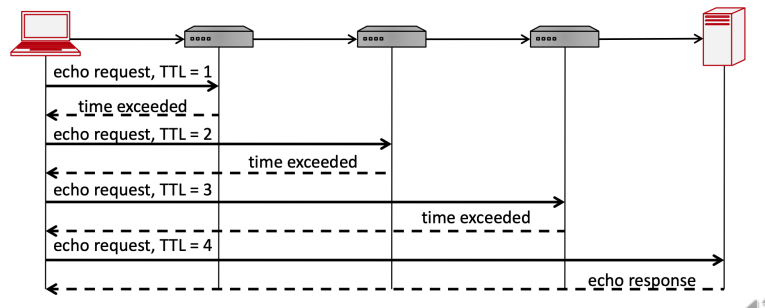
- A router bridges two or more networks
  - Operates at the network layer
  - Maintains tables to forward packets to the appropriate network
  - Forwarding decisions based solely on the destination address
- Routing table
  - Maps ranges of addresses to LANs or other gateway routers
- Routing Example



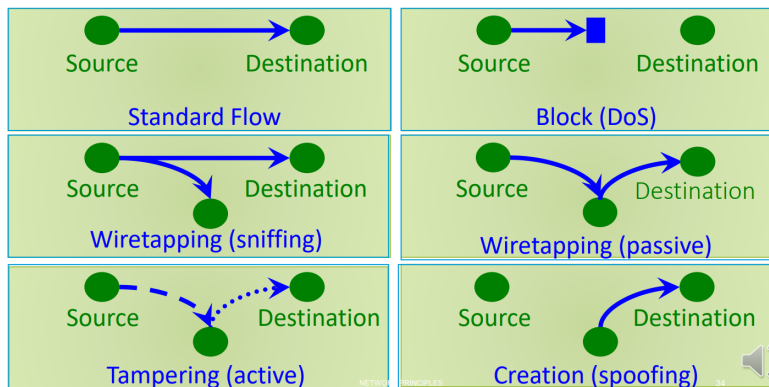
## Exploring Internet Routes

- Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)
  - Used for network testing and debugging
  - Simple messages encapsulated in single IP packets
  - Considered a network layer protocol
- Tools based on ICMP

- **Ping:** sends series of echo request messages and provides statistics on roundtrip times and packet loss
- **Traceroute:** sends series ICMP packets with increasing TTL value to discover routes



### • Network Attack



### • Wireshark

- Packet sniffer and protocol analyzer
- Captures and displays network packets for analysis
- Supports plugins
- Usually requires administrator privileges because of security risks associated with the program
- When run in promiscuous mode, captures traffic across the network

### • What we have learned

- Networking principles
  - Packet switching
  - Stack of layers
  - Encapsulation



- Network interfaces, MAC Addresses and Switches
- Internet Protocol (IP) Routing, autonomous systems
- Types of network attacks
- Traceroute and Wireshark tool

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