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# EssCS - Topic 4

# Introduction to Computer Networking

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# The Reference Models

- reference models: each layer has different functionality (with protocols and interfaces to layers above and below)
- what was just discussed is a small part of physical layer
- OSI = Open Systems Interconnection

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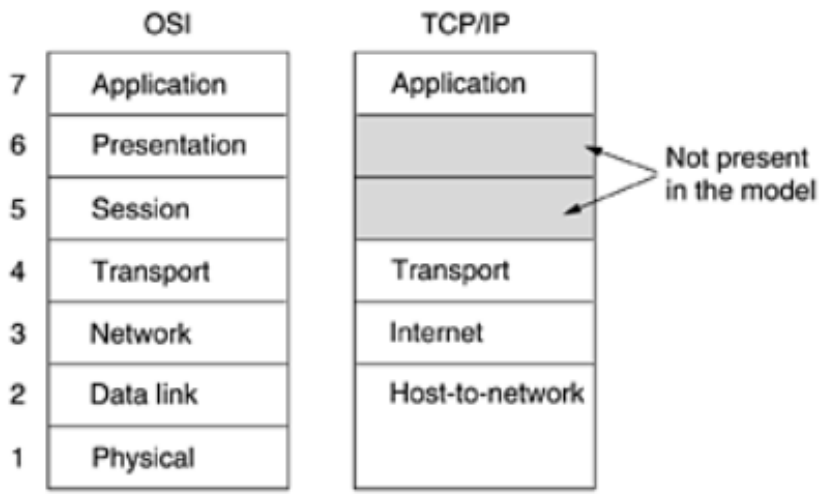
| 7 | Application | https, email, ... |
| 6 | Presentation | syntax and semantics of transmitted data |
| 5 | Session | establish/terminate communication sessions between host processes |
| 4 | Transport | ensures reliable transmission source $\rightarrow$ destination |
| 3 | Network | addressing, routing |
| 2 | Data Link | ensuring error-free transfer of data between the nodes |
| 1 | Physical | transmitting raw bits over a communication channel |

- TCP/IP (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol)




- we will roughly follow a hybrid in a bottom-up fashion

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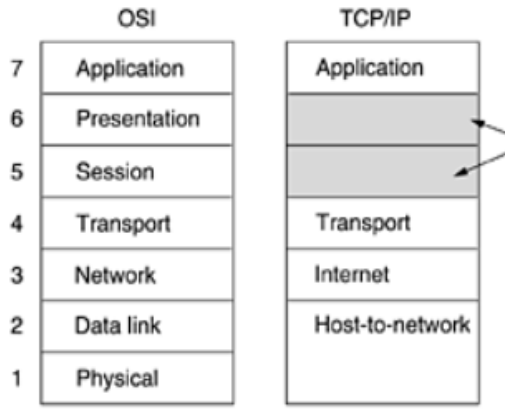


- Recap: 3 main concepts are **interface**, **protocol** and **service**
- Recap: we covered (a part of) physical layer in last lecture and during tutorial (NRZ, bipolar RZ, Manchester encoding)
- Recap: we touched on Data Link Layer during tutorial with Hamming Code

- Data Link Layer:
  - provides a service to the Network layer
  - regulates data flow (flow control)
  - deals with transmission errors

- Physical layer accepts raw bit-stream from the Data Link Layer and attempts to deliver it to the destination
- Data Link Layer uses this service from Physical layer

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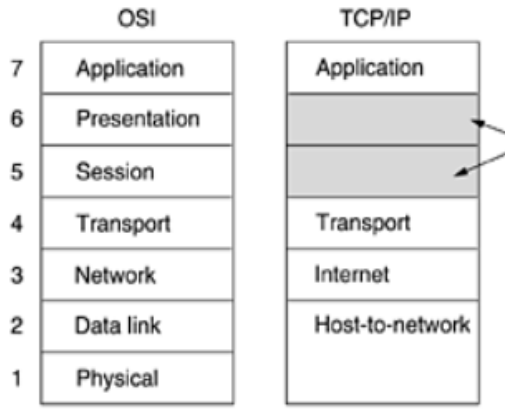
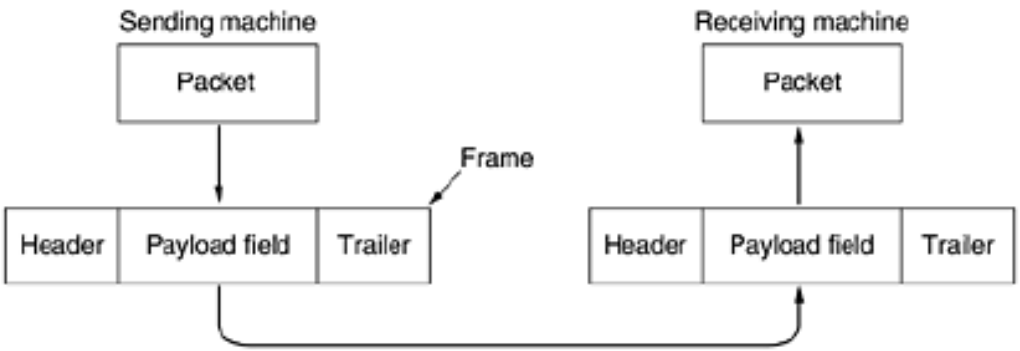



- Data Link Layer breaks the bit-stream into discrete frames (and adds a checksum to each frame) - encapsulation

- Recap: Message format: payload with a header and trailer




header can include: destination, source, packet length, sequence number, ...

- Example of forming a frame: flagbyte 01111110
  to uniquely recognize the flagbyte the sender must add[1] a 0 after any sequence with five 1's: 11111

[1] receiver will remove the 0

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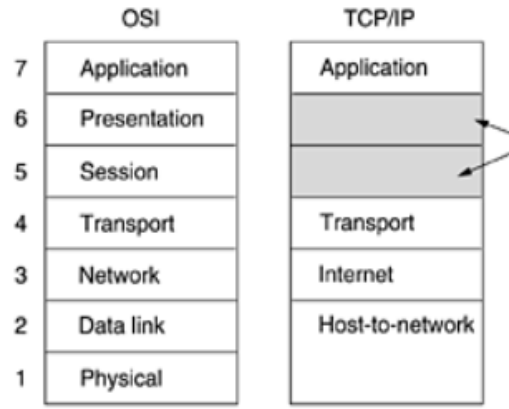


- Data Link Layer services:
  - unacknowledged connectionless service:
    no logical connection is established/released
  - acknowledged connectionless service:
    no logical connection is established/released, however, each frame is acknowledged[2]
  - acknowledged connection-oriented service:
    first, a logical connection is established, then each frame is sent/received in order and only once, and is acknowledged, finally, the logical connection is released
- to reduce the traffic: piggy-back the acknowledgement onto some outgoing frame
- metric: round-trip time (RTT): the time between sending a packet and receiving a response (usually in milli-seconds)
- flow control techniques: speed matching of transmitter and receiver with the intention to ensure that the receiver does not overflow: packets can be dropped from queues or even at the receiver

[2] confirmation: if no ACK, then retransmit-on-timeout

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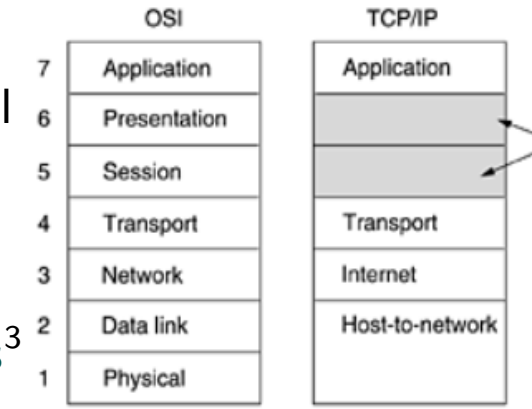


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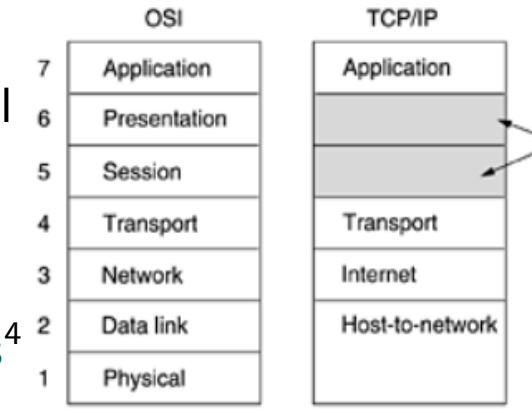


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    $\Rightarrow$ this allows the transmitter to continue sending Data[N+1] without ACK[N]
  - if timeout: go-back-N option (retransmit multiple frames)
  - if timeout: selective repeat (retransmit only lost or received with error)
- PAR (Positive Acknowledgment with Retransmission)
- ARQ (Automatic Repeat reQuest)

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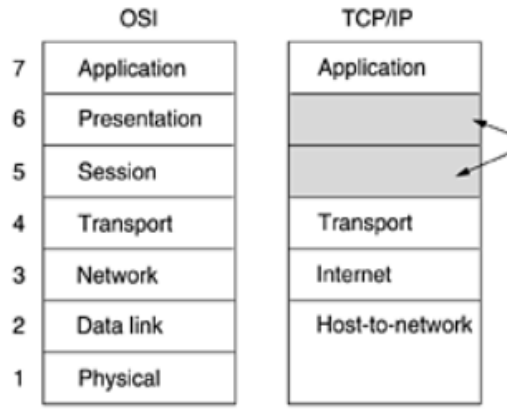
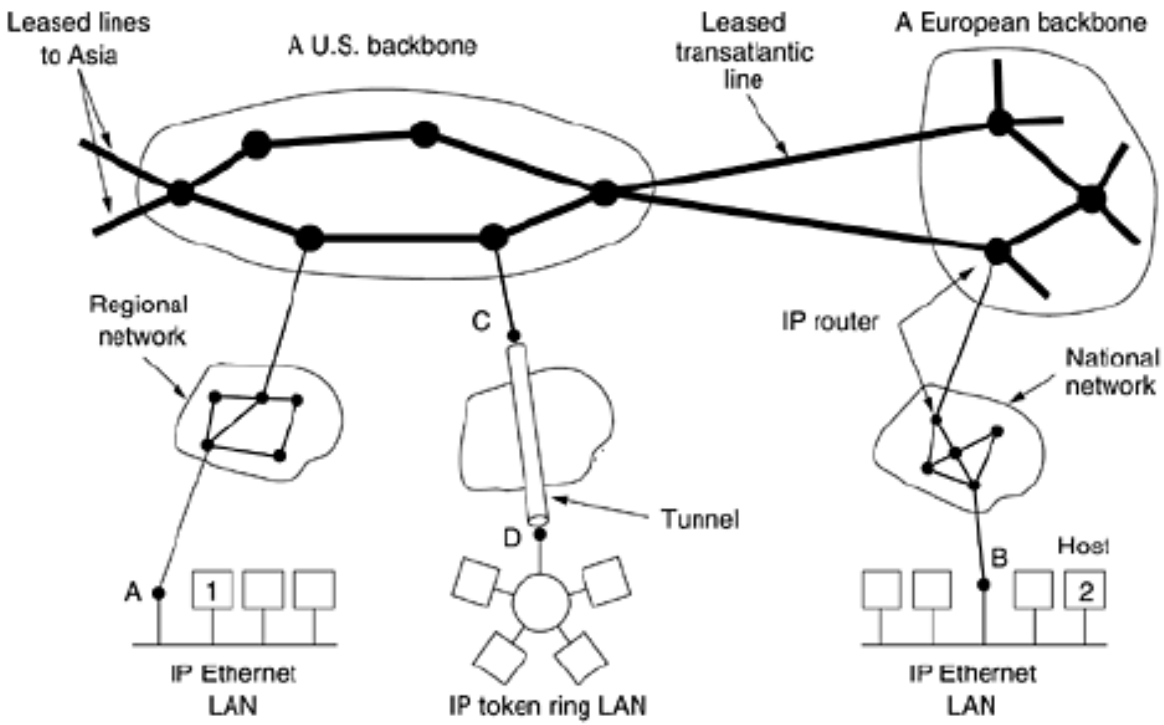



- Data Link Layer: moving frames from transmitter to receiver
- Network Layer: moving packets from source to destination - with many hops inbetween (end-to-end transmission)
  - topology awareness (nodes keep routing tables)
  - routing algorithms
    - static methods:
      - (selective) flooding
      - shortest[5] path routing (Dijkstra)
    - adaptive methods:
      - distance vector routing (routing table with additional information, such as # of queued packets along the path, neighbors exchange routing tables)
      - link state routing (nodes exchange "link state packets", each node builds a graph, then using algorithms such as shortest path)
  - congestion control (monitor and adjust, e.g., packet discard policy)
  - quality of service (resource reservation, expedited forwarding)

[5] can be based on distance, # hops, price, ...

# Network Layer and IP

- Internet Protocol (Ipv4, Ipv6)
- universal routing and addressing protocol
- best-effort transport of data from source to destination
- multiple redundant links
- scalability
- fragmentation



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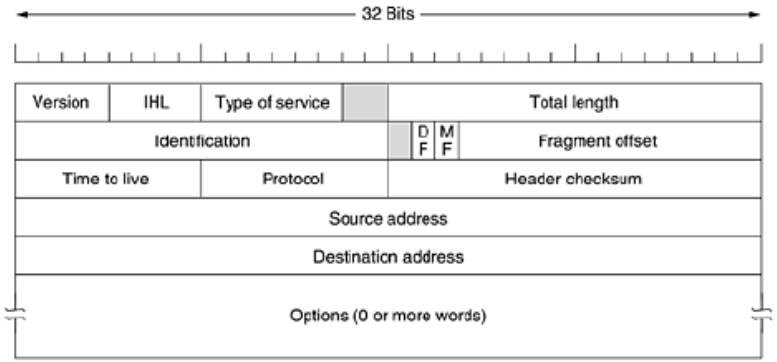
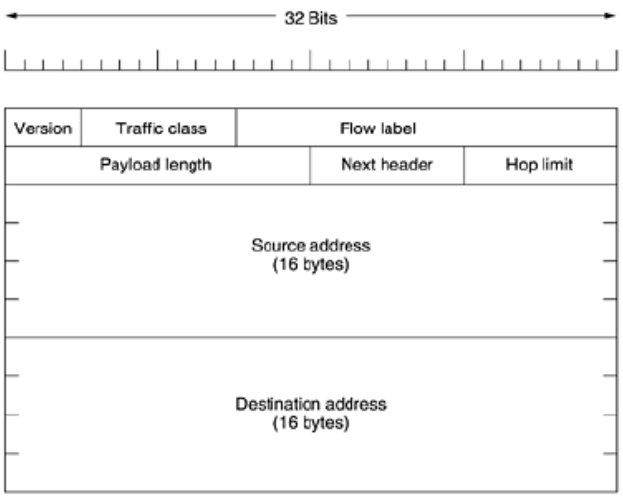
- Ipv4 header[6]




- IPv6 header




[6] figures: Tanenbaum: Computer Networks