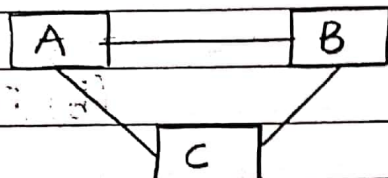


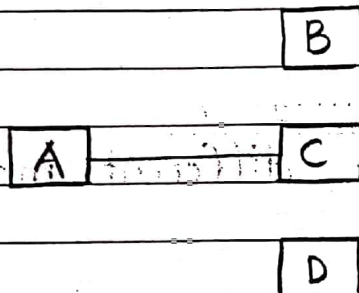
Computer Network :-

Collection of machines connected to each other in such a way that all the machines can communicate with each other for info and resource sharing.

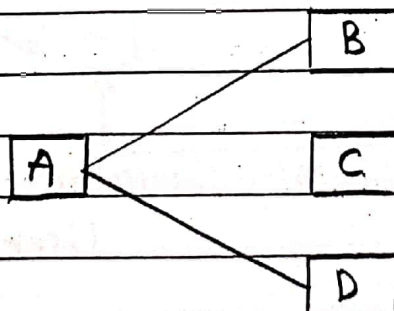


Types of communication :-

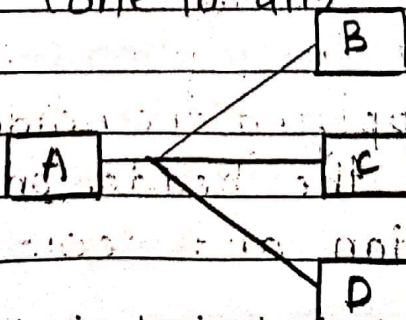
(1) Unicast (One to one)



(2) Multicast (One to many)



(3) Broadcast (One to all)

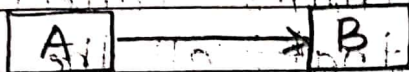


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Ways of communication :-

(1) Simplex (One way) :

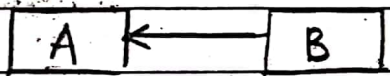
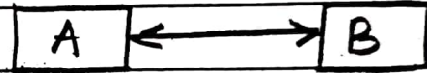
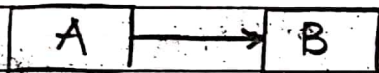


Eg:- Radio, TV

(2) Duplex (Two way) :

(a) Half

(b) Full



Eg:- Telecommunication network, chatbox

Eg:- Walkie-Talkie

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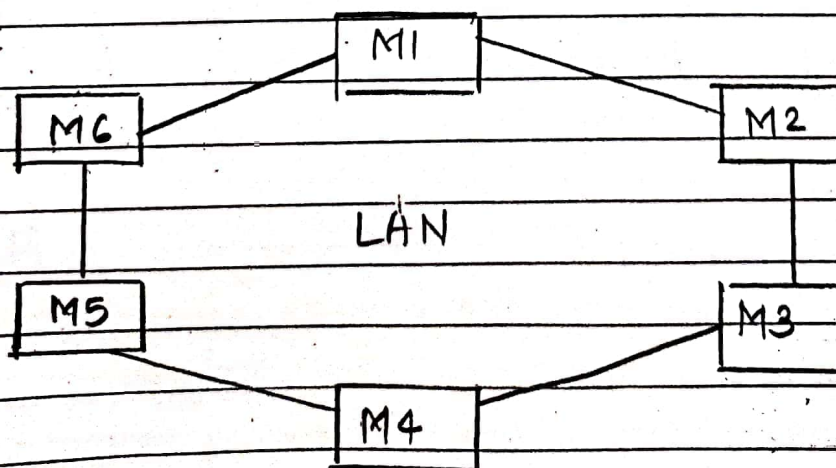
Networking Types :-

Depending upon the geographical area covered by a network, it is classified as :-

- (1) Local Area Network (LAN)
- (2) Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)
- (3) Wide Area Network (WAN)
- (4) Personal Area Network (PAN)
- (5) Campus Area Network (can)

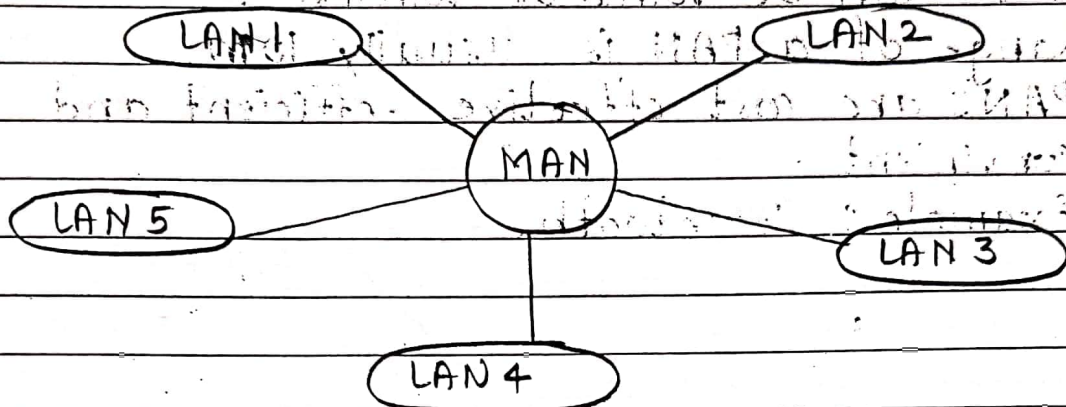
(1) Local Area Network (LAN) :-

- (1) A LAN is a network that is used for communicating among computer devices usually within an office building or home.
- (2) LAN enable the sharing of resources such as files or hardware devices that may be needed by multiple users.
- (3) The geographical area covered by LAN is limited.
- (4) LAN's are capable of very high transmission rate (100 Mb/s to Gb/s).
- (5) The cost is less as compared to MAN and WAN.
- (6) It requires less wiring.



(2) Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) :-

- (1) A MAN is a large computer network that usually spans a city or a large campus.
- (2) A MAN typically covers an area of 5 to 50 km diameter.
- (3) A MAN often acts as a high speed network to allow sharing of regional resources.



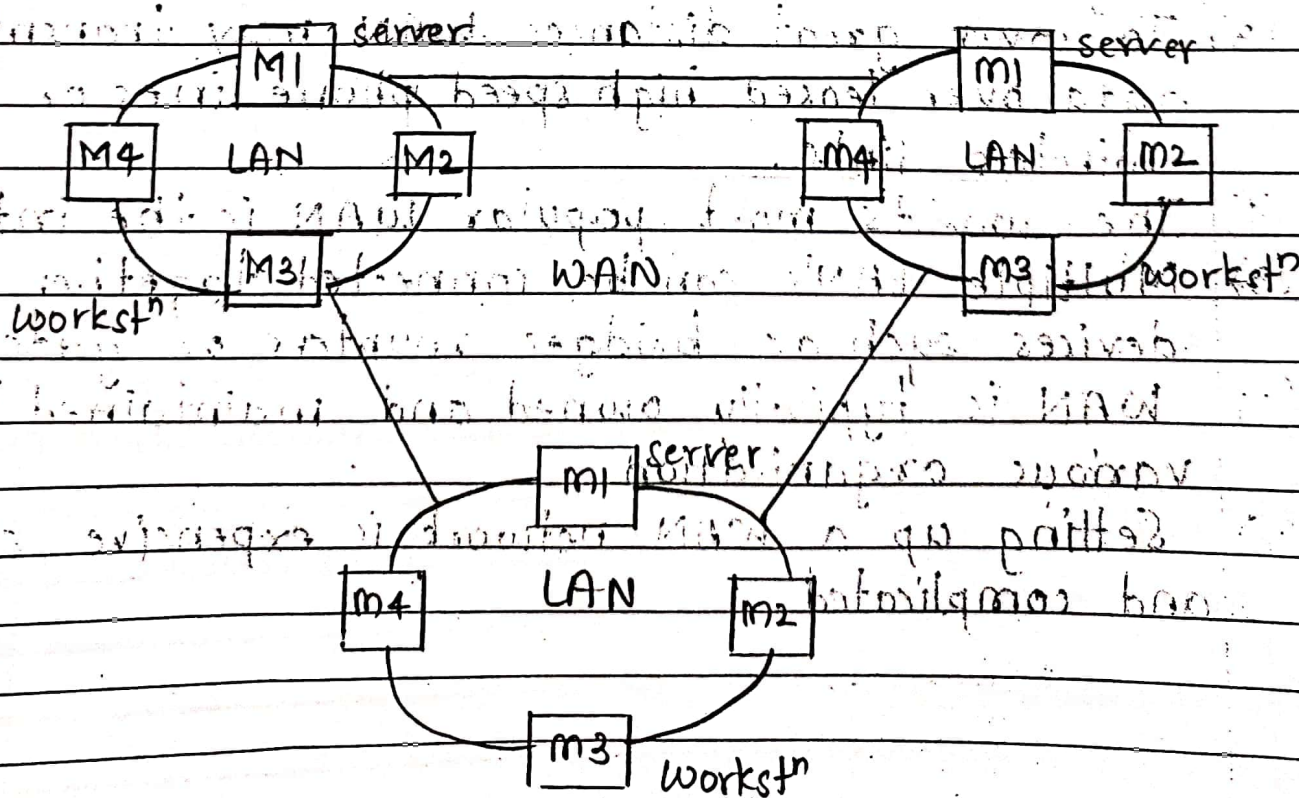
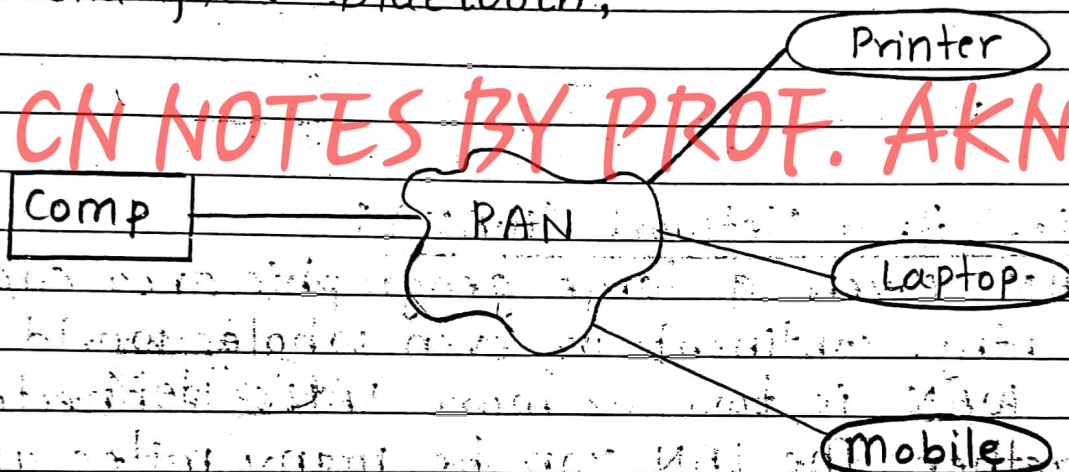
(3) Wide Area Network (WAN) :-

- (1) WAN covers a large geographic area such as country, continent or even whole world.
- (2) A WAN is two or more LAN's connected together. The LAN can be many miles apart.
- (3) To cover great distances WAN may transmit data over leased high speed phone lines or wireless links.
- (4) The world's most popular WAN is the internet.
- (5) Multiple LAN's can be connected together using devices such as bridges, routers or gateway.
- (6) WAN is typically owned and maintained by various organisation.
- (4) Setting up a WAN network is expensive, slow and complicated.

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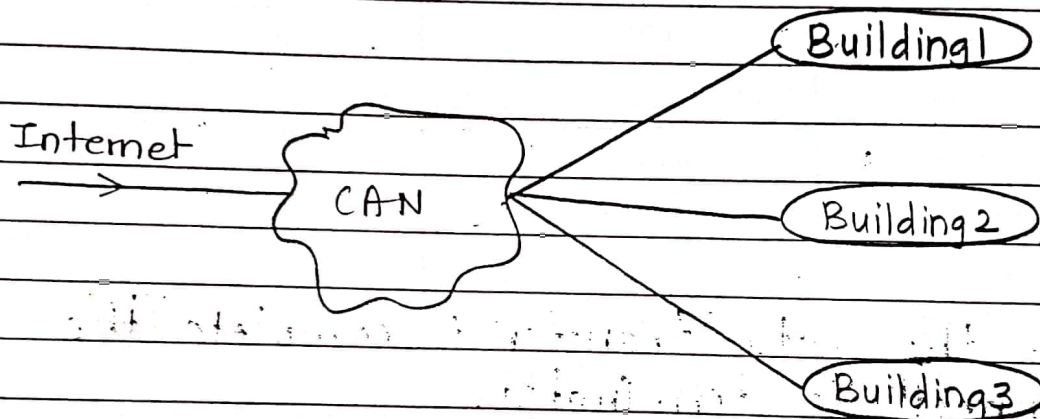
- (4) Personal Area Network (PAN):
- (1) PAN is a network that is used for communicating among computers and computer devices in close proximity of around a few meters within a room.
 - (2) It can be used for communicating between the devices themselves, or for connecting to larger network.
 - (3) PAN's can be wired or wireless.
 - (4) Range of a PAN is usually 10m.
 - (5) PAN's are cost effective, efficient and convenient.
 - (6) Example: Bluetooth,

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(5) Campus Area Network (CAN)

- (1) CAN is made up of an interconnection of LAN with limited geographical area.
- (2) Network equipments such as switches, routers and the transmission media i.e. optical fibre etc are almost entirely owned by campus owner.
- (3) CAN is smaller than WAN and MAN.
- (4) CAN supports maximum length of 40m.
- (5) CAN incurs more expenditure for software development and maintenance.



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