

Topics: Data Communication

① Data Communications

② Network

③ Topology

④ Network Types

① Data Communications

Data - information presented in whatever form is agreed upon by the parties creating and using the data.

Telecommunication - communication at a distance.

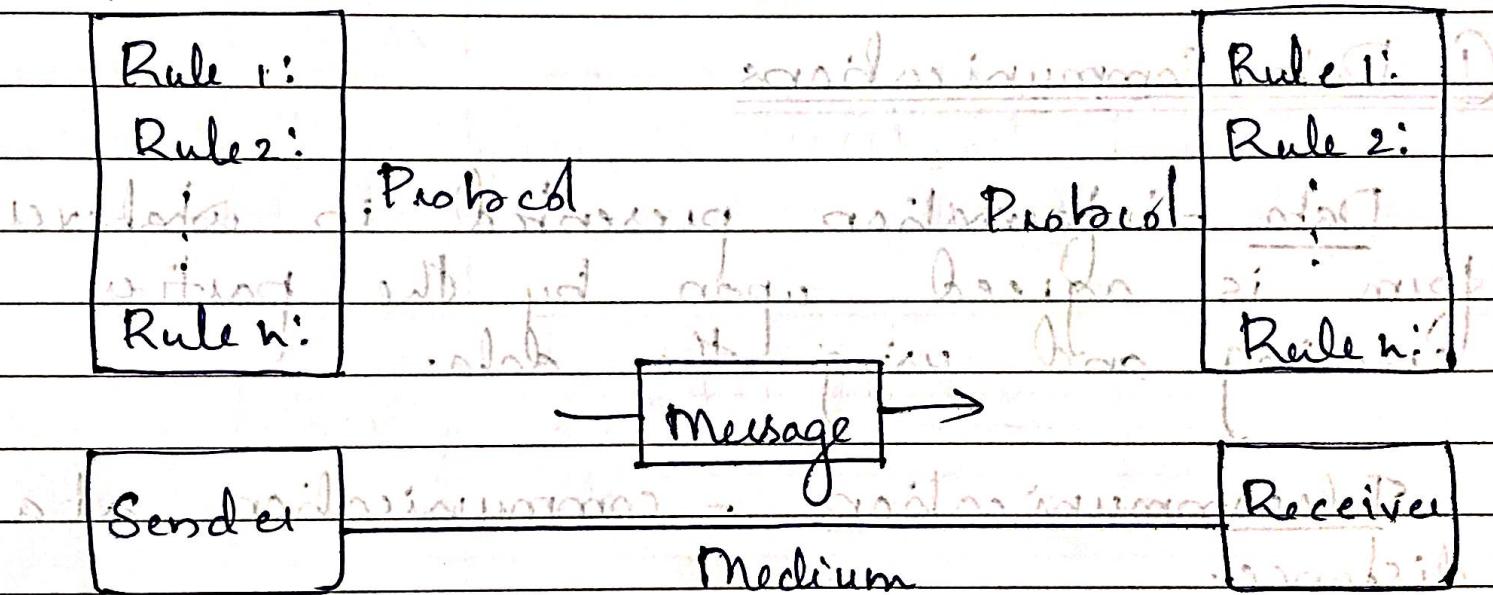
Data communications involve the exchange of data between 2 devices via some form of transmission medium.

Characteristics

- Delivery - Reach intended user.
- Accuracy - No alterations

- Timeliness - Real time transmission
- Jitter - variation in packet arrival time: (speed of network)

Components of a data communication system



1. Message
2. Sender
3. Receiver
4. Transmission medium
5. Protocol

Information sent - message.

medium - frame.

Data Representation

- Text

- Bit pattern

• ASCII Unicode

- Numbers

- Bit pattern

- Images

- Pixels - bit pattern

- RGB / YCM

- Audio

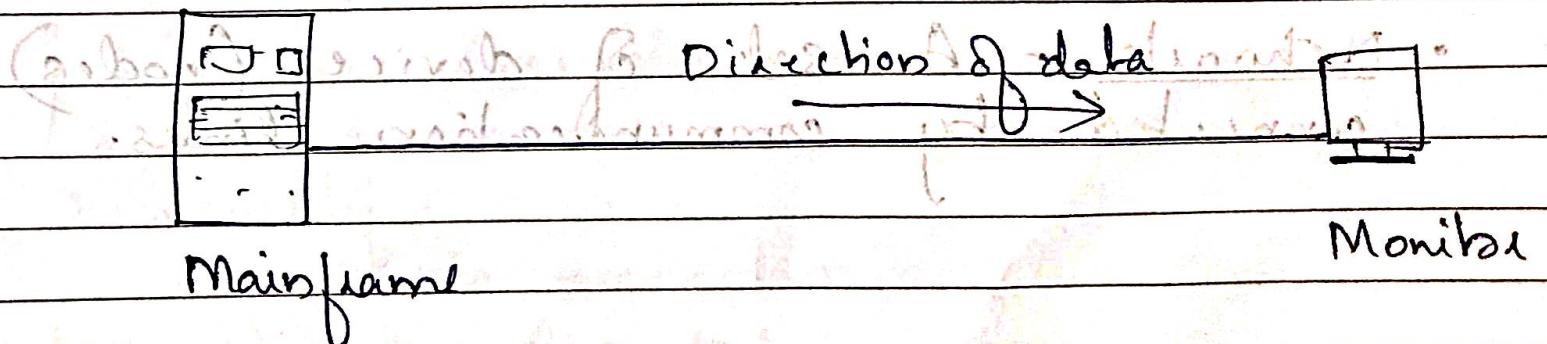
- Continuous

- Video

• Continuous entity / combination of entity

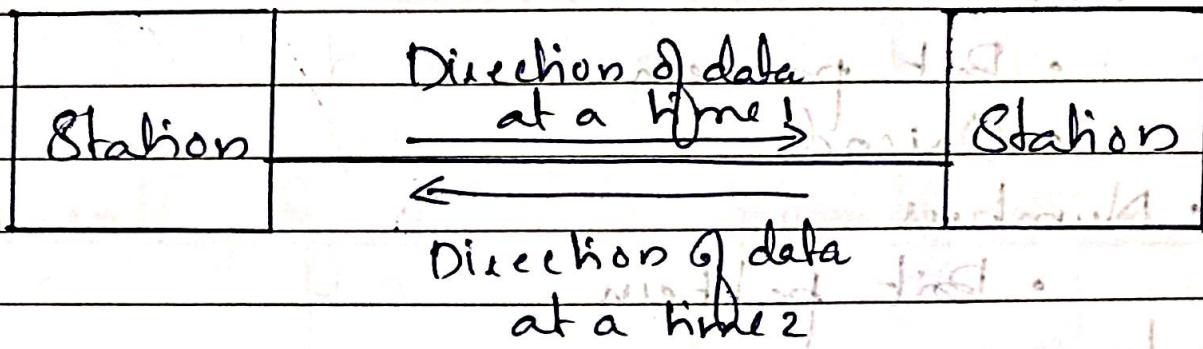
Data flow (simplex, half-duplex, full-duplex)

@ Simplex

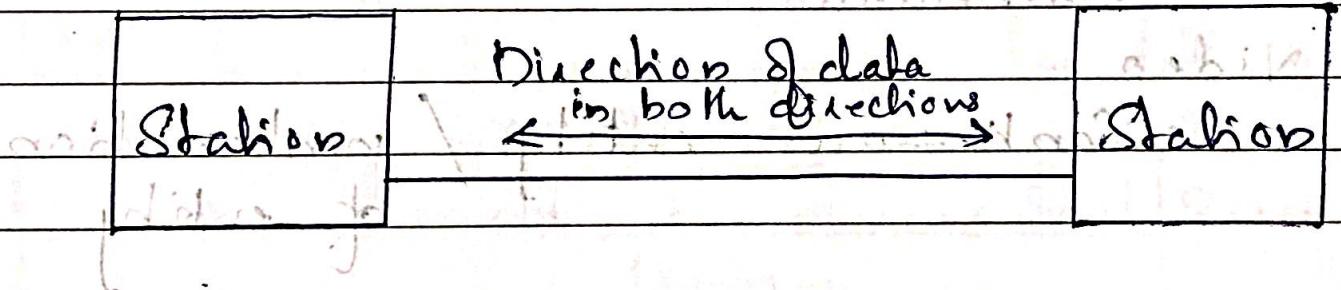


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b) Half-duplex



c) Full-duplex (Bidirectional) Data flow (Both transmission takes place in both directions)



② Networks

- Network - A set of devices (nodes) connected by communication links.

Node - It is a medium of data transmission, it can be a computer, printer or any other device capable of sending or receiving data generated by other nodes on the network.

Link - It can be a cable, air, optical fibre or any transmission media.

Network Criteria

> Performance

> Depends on Network Elements

> Measured in terms of Delay & Throughput.

↳ Two types of delay : propagation R and P

> Reliability

> Failure rate of network components

> Measured in terms of availability / robustness

> Security

→ Data protection against corruption / loss of data due to :

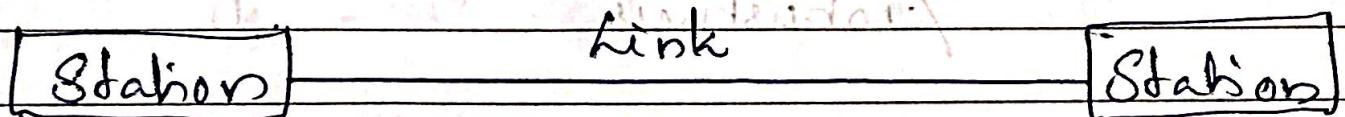
- Errors
- Malicious users

- > Type Of Connection
- > Point-to-point - single transmitter & receiver
 - > Multipoint - multiple recipients of single transmission
- > Physical Topology
- > Connection of devices

- > Type of transmission - unicast, multicast, broadcast

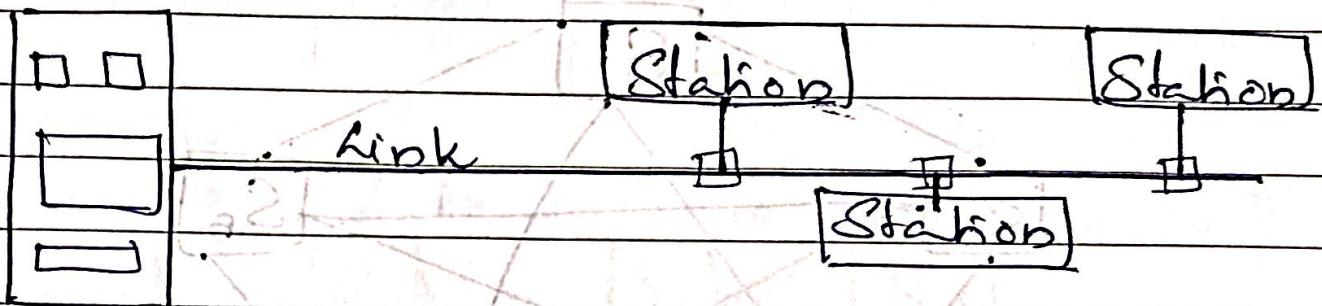
Types of connections : point - to - point & multipoint

a). Point to Point connection



Normal calls and long distance calls
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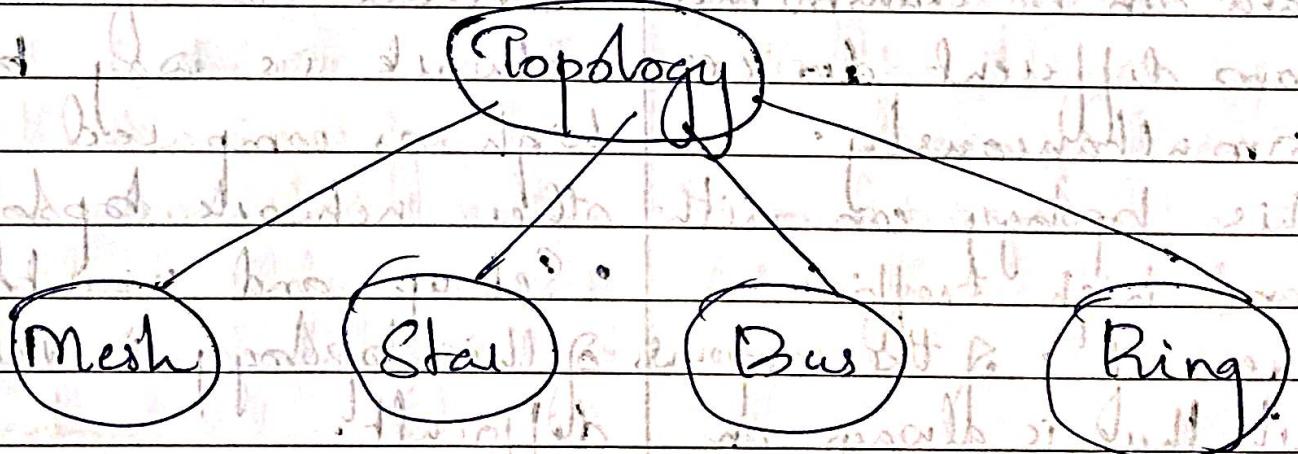
(b) multipoint



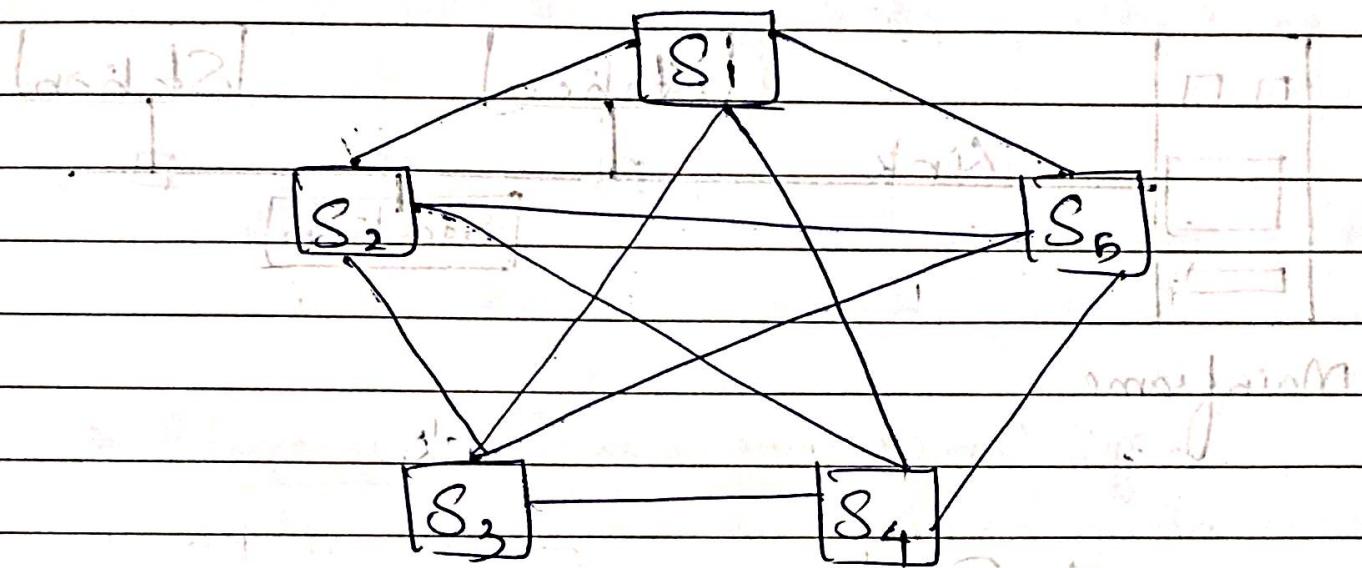
Mainframe

e.g.: Conference call.

③ Categories of Topology



① Fully Connected Mesh Topology (5 devices)



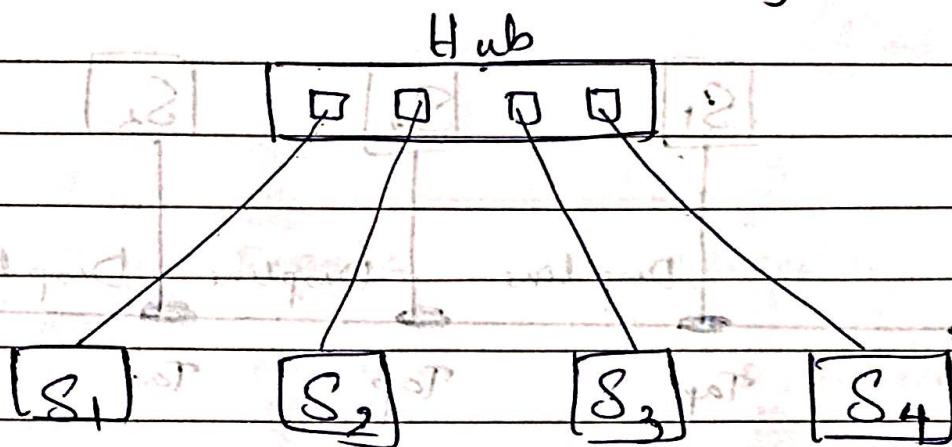
Adv.

- Data can be transmitted from different devices simultaneously.
- This topology can withstand high traffic.
- Even if one of the components of this topology fails there is always an alternative present.
- Each can carry its own data load.
- Provides security of privacy.

Dis Adv

- Overall cost of this network is way too high as compared to other network topologies.
- Set-up and maintenance.
- More cabling is required as compared to bus, star and ring topology.
- Complicated.
- Connections not fully utilized.

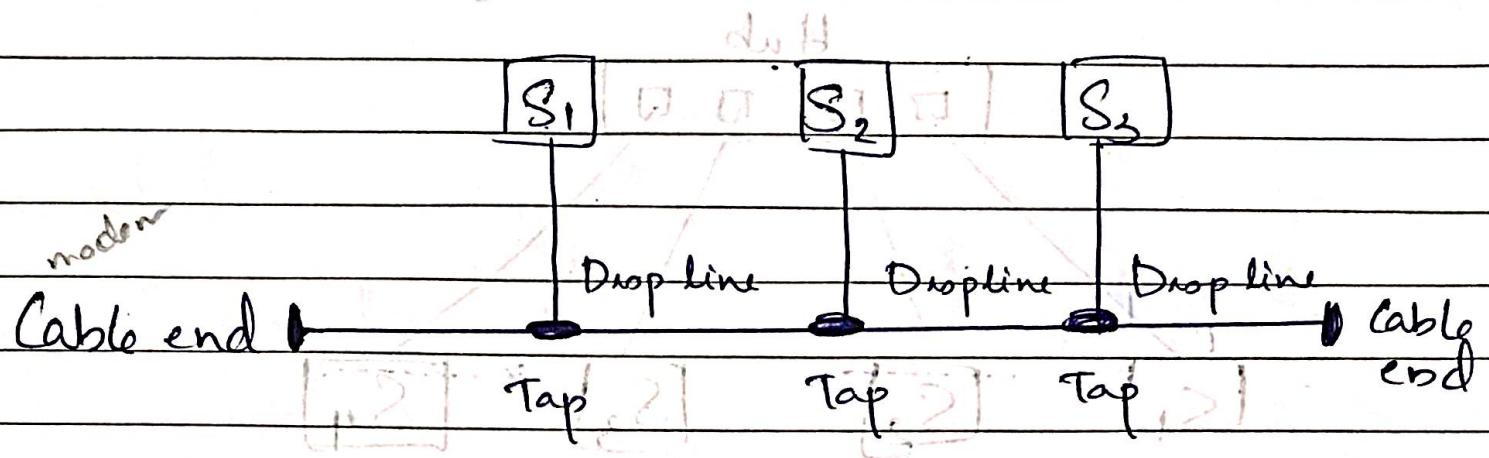
(2) Star Topology Connecting 4 stations



- adv
- A new node can be easily connected to the existing network by connecting it with unused port of hub.
 - If there is fault in cable connected with computer, only the particular computer get affected.
 - less cables required than Mesh Topology.
 - Affordable by small organization also.

- disadv
- If Hub or switch get faulty, all computer connected to it will be get affected.
 - Traffic increased when computers are simultaneously sending data to each other.

(3) Bus Topology connecting 3 stations



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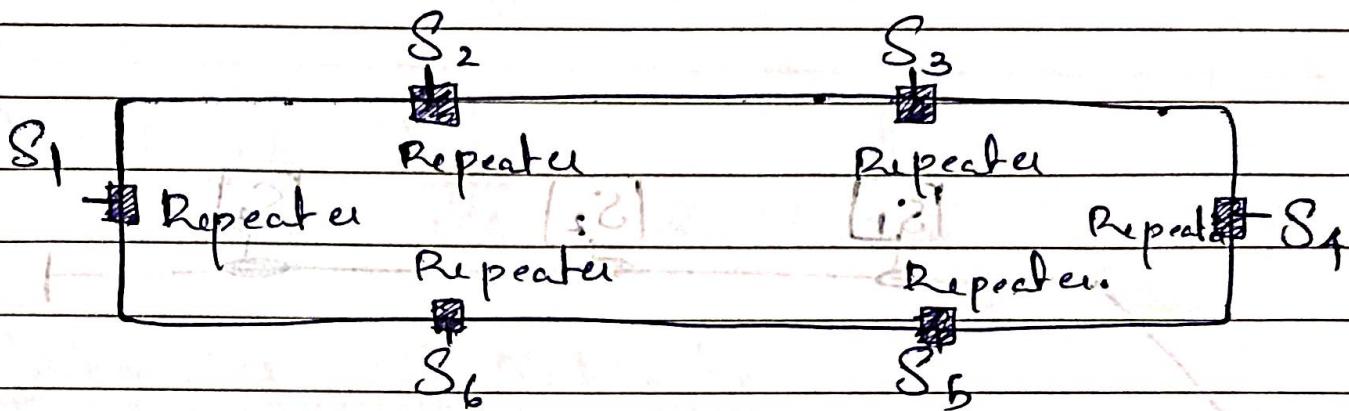
- Easy to connect computer or peripheral to a linear bus.
- Uses less cables than mesh topology.
- Don't need any special device like Hub or Switch.

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- Entire network shuts down if there's a break in the main cable.
- Difficult to identify the problem if the entire network shut down.
- Terminators are required at both ends of the backbone cable.

④ Ring Topology Connecting 6 stations

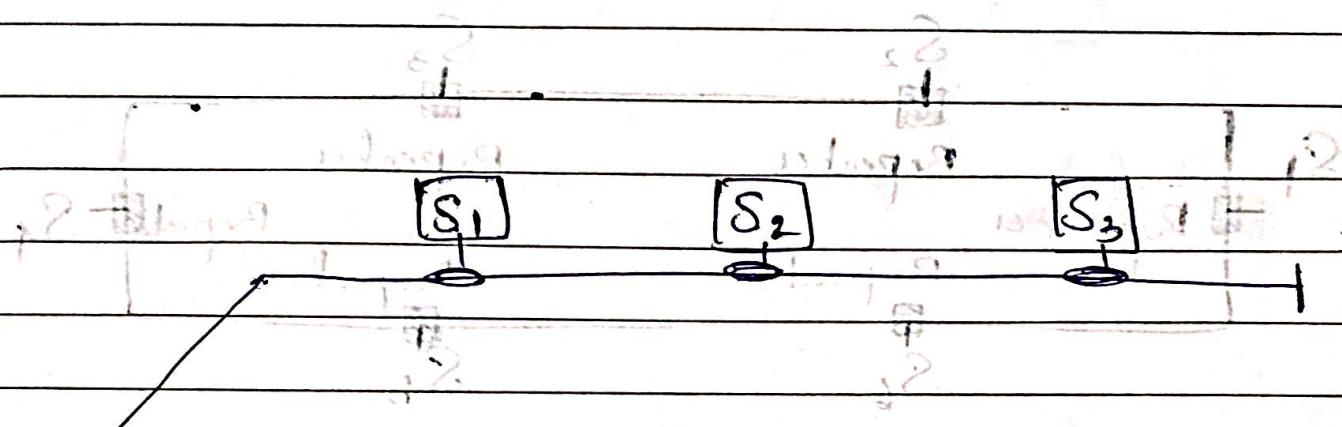
(Unidirectional)



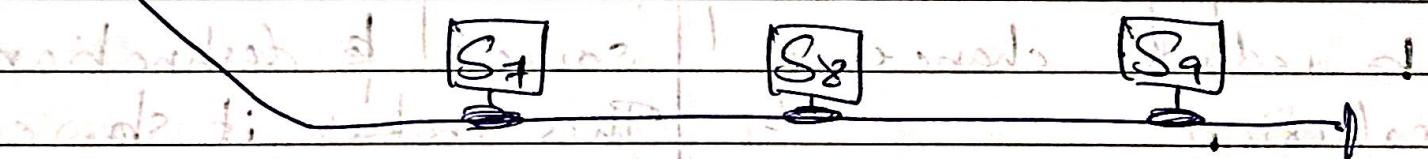
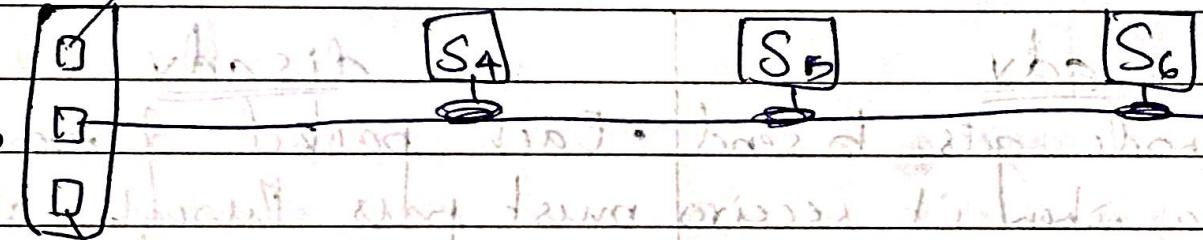
- | <u>adv</u> | <u>disadv</u> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each node gets to send the data when it receives an empty token. This helps to reduce chances of collision. The transmission of data is relatively simple as packets travel entire network in one direction only. Every computer serves as a repeater to boost signals & send it to the next node along with the taken data. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each packet of data must pass through all the computers between source & destination. This makes it slower. If one workstation or port goes down, the entire network gets affected. Difficult to add & remove devices once the network has been setup. Data sharing accomplished through one direction only. |

⑤ Hybrid Topology :- A star backbone with 3 bus networks

(Amidst which)



Hub



• Very largely used topology of which
• Combination of star & bus topology

• Hybrid topology consists of a central star backbone and multiple bus segments branching off from it. It allows for a mix of point-to-point connections between nodes and broadcast communication across the entire network. This makes it highly flexible and suitable for large-scale networks.

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Topics covered in Network Fundamentals

- (5) Network Models
- (6) OSI reference model

(4) Network Types

> LAN, WAN, Switching

Categories Of Networks

> LANs (Local Area Networks)

- Short distances
- Designed to provide local inter-connectivity.

> WANs (Wide Area Networks)

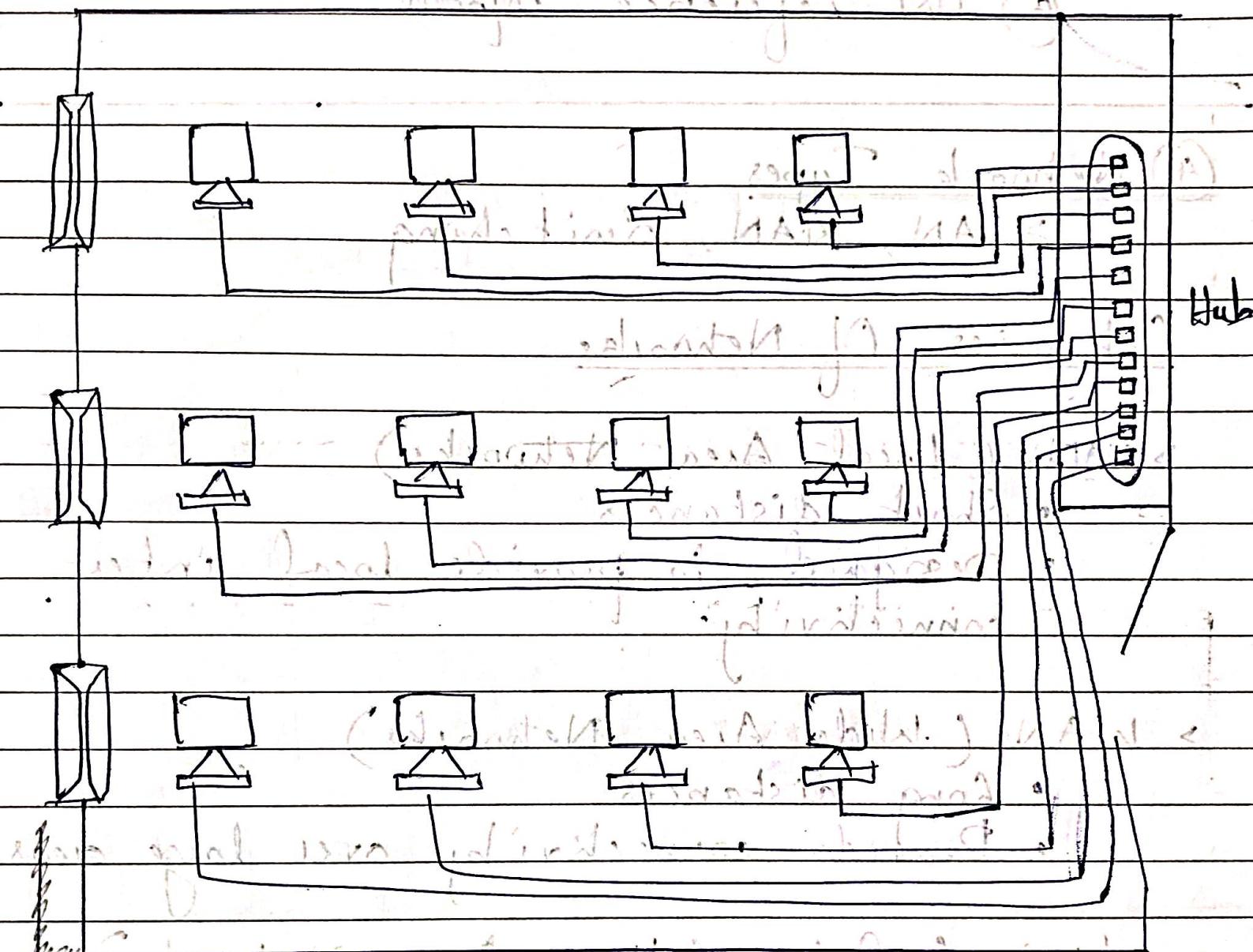
- Long distances
- Provide connectivity over large areas

> MANs (Metropolitan Area Networks)

- Provide connectivity over areas such as a city, a campus.

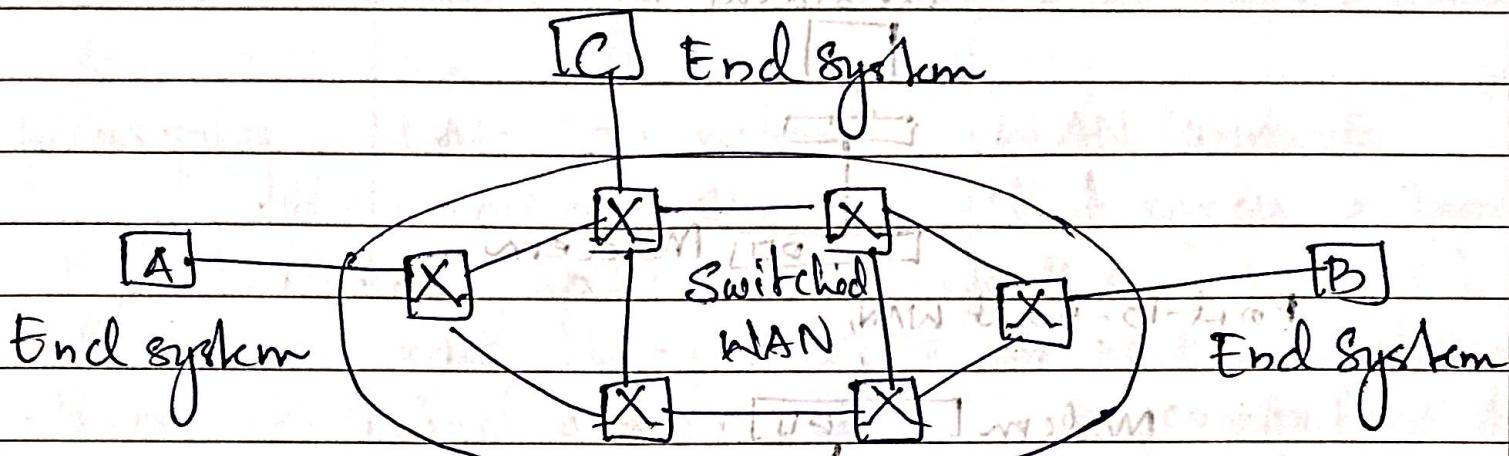
An isolated LAN connecting 12 computers to a hub in a closet.

Differentiator: 120 ft

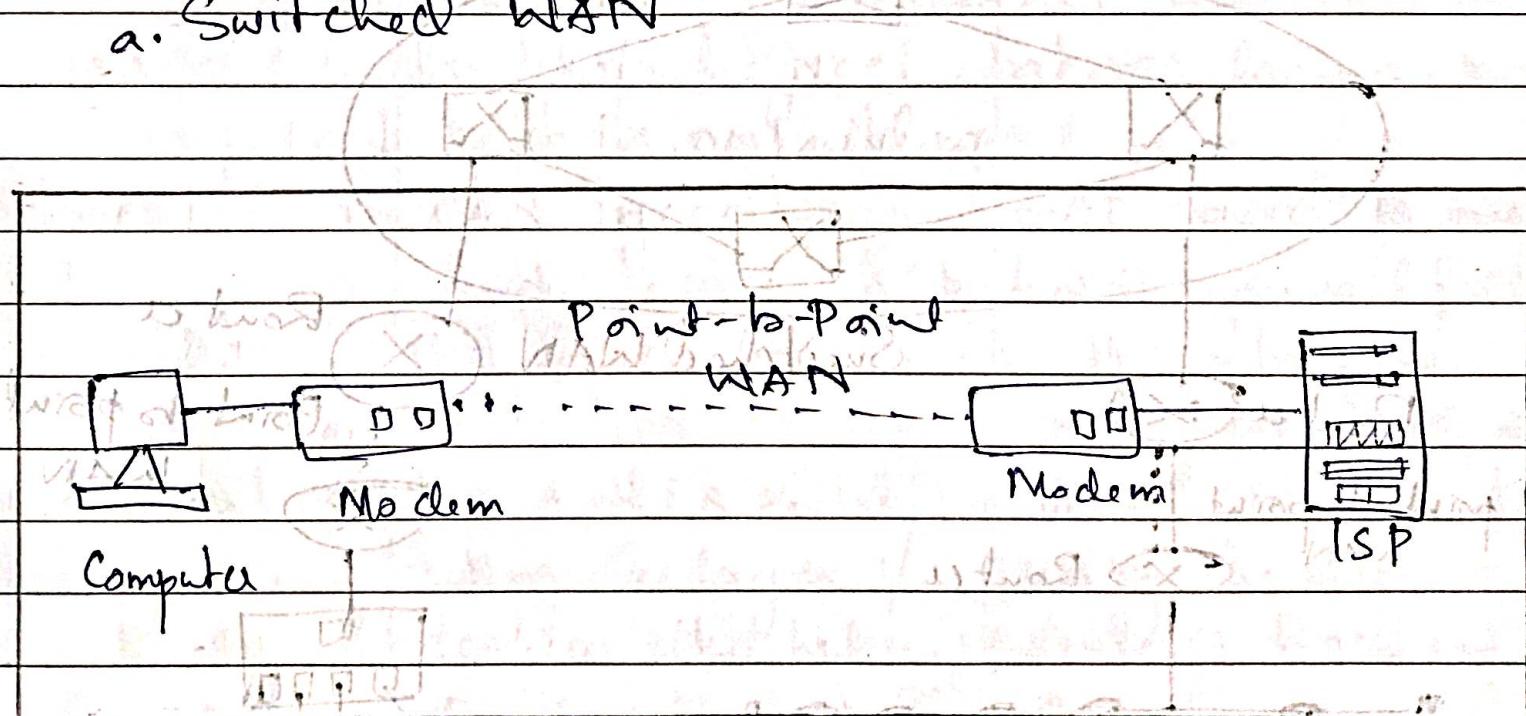


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WANs : a switched WAN and a point-to-point WAN



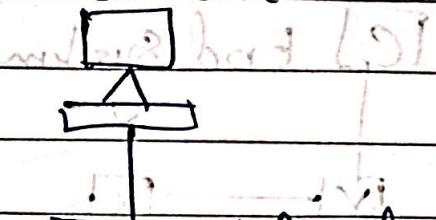
a. Switched WAN



b. Point-to-point WAN ...

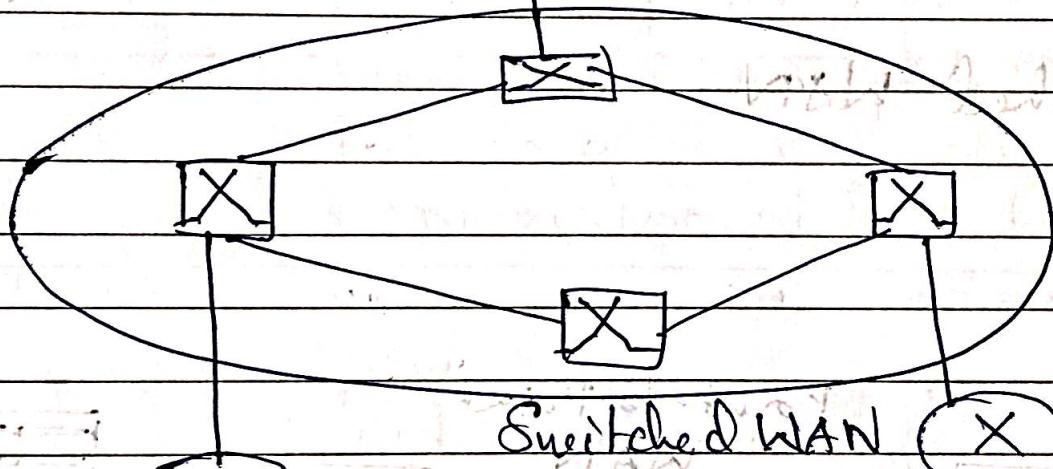
A heterogeneous network made of four LANs & two WANs

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Point-to-point WAN

Modem

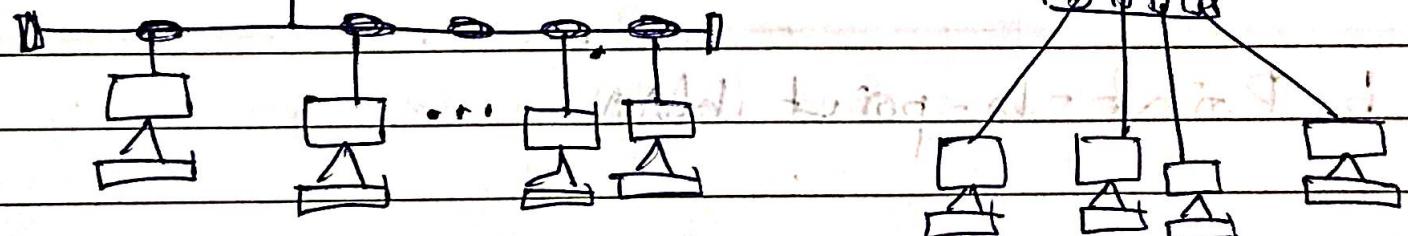


Router

Point-to-point WAN

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WAN

Router



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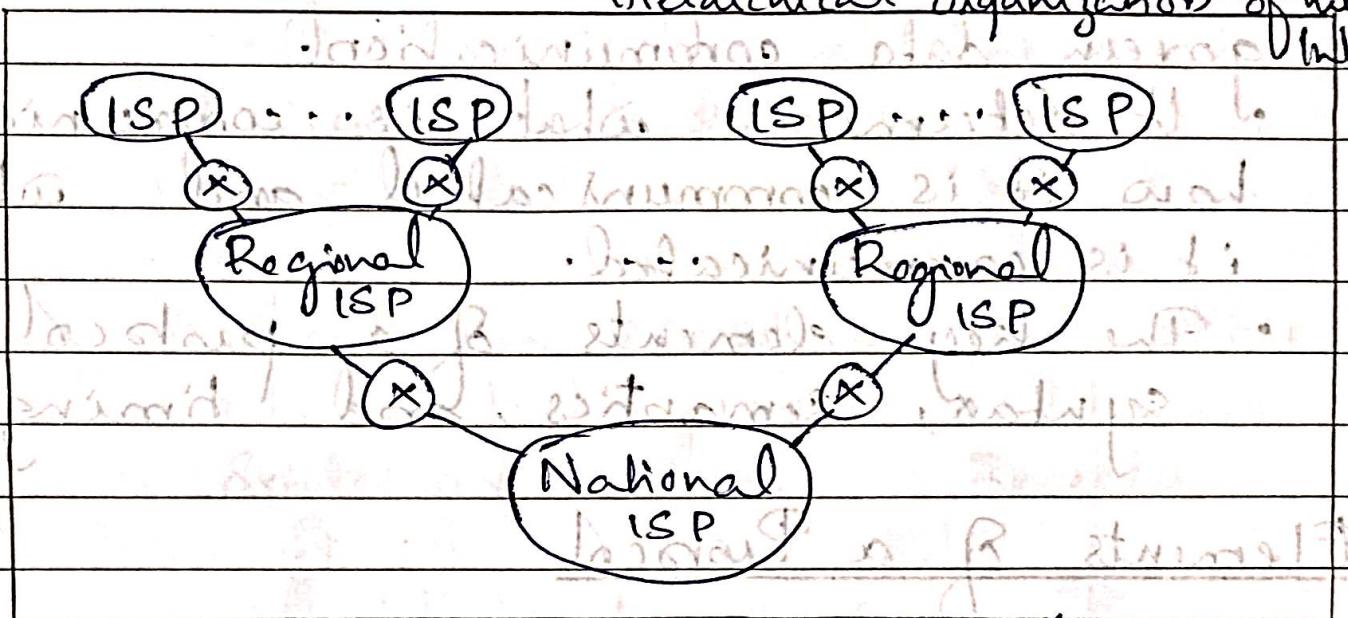
Parameter	LAN	WAN
Abbreviation	Local Area Network	Wide Area Network
Philosophy	LAN is a network covering a small geographic area & connecting various end devices like computers & printers which LAN may be limited to a home, office, schools or building.	WAN (Wide A.) is a network that covers a broad area and connects connect end devices like computers & printers which are distributed across long distance.
Speed	LAN speed is very high, upto 1/10 Gbps	WAN speed is much lower, generally 100 mbps. In few cases upto 10 Gbps
Components	The LAN is built using the layer 1/2 devices like hubs, switches, bridges and layer 3 devices like Cores / layer 3 switch. These devices connect to computers, servers & printers etc.	The WAN is built using the layer 3 device as Router & switches. It consists of multi-layered switches.

Ownership & management	LAN is owned, operated, managed & monitored by a customer.	WAN is owned, operated, managed & monitored by multiple Service providers hence exists under distributed ownership.
Example	Network inside an office space.	Internet is the best example of WAN.
Security Technology	More Secured	Less Secured.
COST (CAPEX & OPEX)	More expensive to setup & operate	More expensive.
Coverage	Coverage across small geographical area like limited to office area or customer building.	WAN is has extremely large geographical area. It is not limited to one country.
Congestion	Less congested	More congested
Physical layer connectivity (Fiber)	Generally Copper & Fiber medium is used in LAN setup.	Generally Fiber medium is used in WAN termination.
	Multimode Fiber is preferred in LAN environment.	Singemode Fiber is preferred in WAN environment.

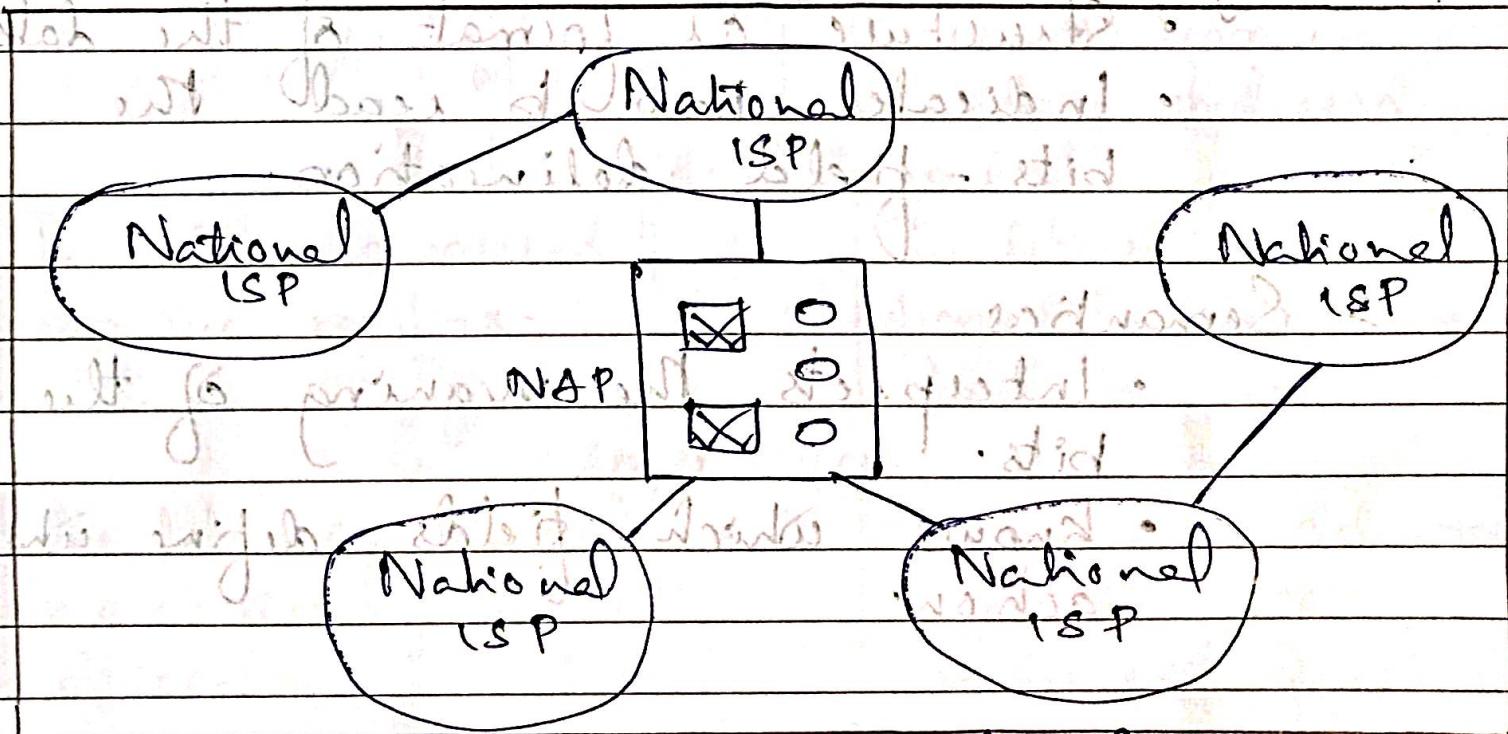
The Internet

When two or more networks are connected they make an internetwork or internet.

Hierarchical organization of the Internet



a. Structure of a national ISP



b. Interconnection of national ISPs

Protocols (Rules)

- A protocol (agreement) is synonymous with rule.
- It consists of a set of rules that govern data communication.
- It determines what is communicated, how it is communicated and when it is communicated.
- The key elements of a protocol are syntax, semantics, and timing.

Elements of a Protocol

> Syntax

- Structure or format of the data
- Indicates how to read the bits - field delineation.

> Semantics

- Interprets the meaning of the bits.
- knows which fields define what action.

> Timing

- When data should be sent & what

Speed at which data should be sent or speed at which it is being received.

Task involved in sending a letter

The letter is written,
put in an envelope, and
dropped in a mailbox.

The letter is picked up,
removed from the
envelope, and read.

The letter is carried
from the mailbox
to a post office.

The letter is carried
from the post office
to the mailbox.

The letter is delivered
to a carrier by the post
office.

The letter is delivered
from the carrier
to the post office.

The parcel is carried from the classmate
source to the destination.

The OSI Model

- Established in 1947, the International Standards Organization (ISO) is a multinational body dedicated to worldwide agreement on international standards.
- An ISO standard that covers all aspects of network communications is the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model. It was first introduced in the late 1970s.

OSI is the model.

Seven layers of the OSI model

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7	Application	All
6	Presentation	People
5	Session	Seen
4	Transport	To
3	Network	Need
2	Data link	Domino
1	Physical	Pizza

The interaction between layers in the OSI model.

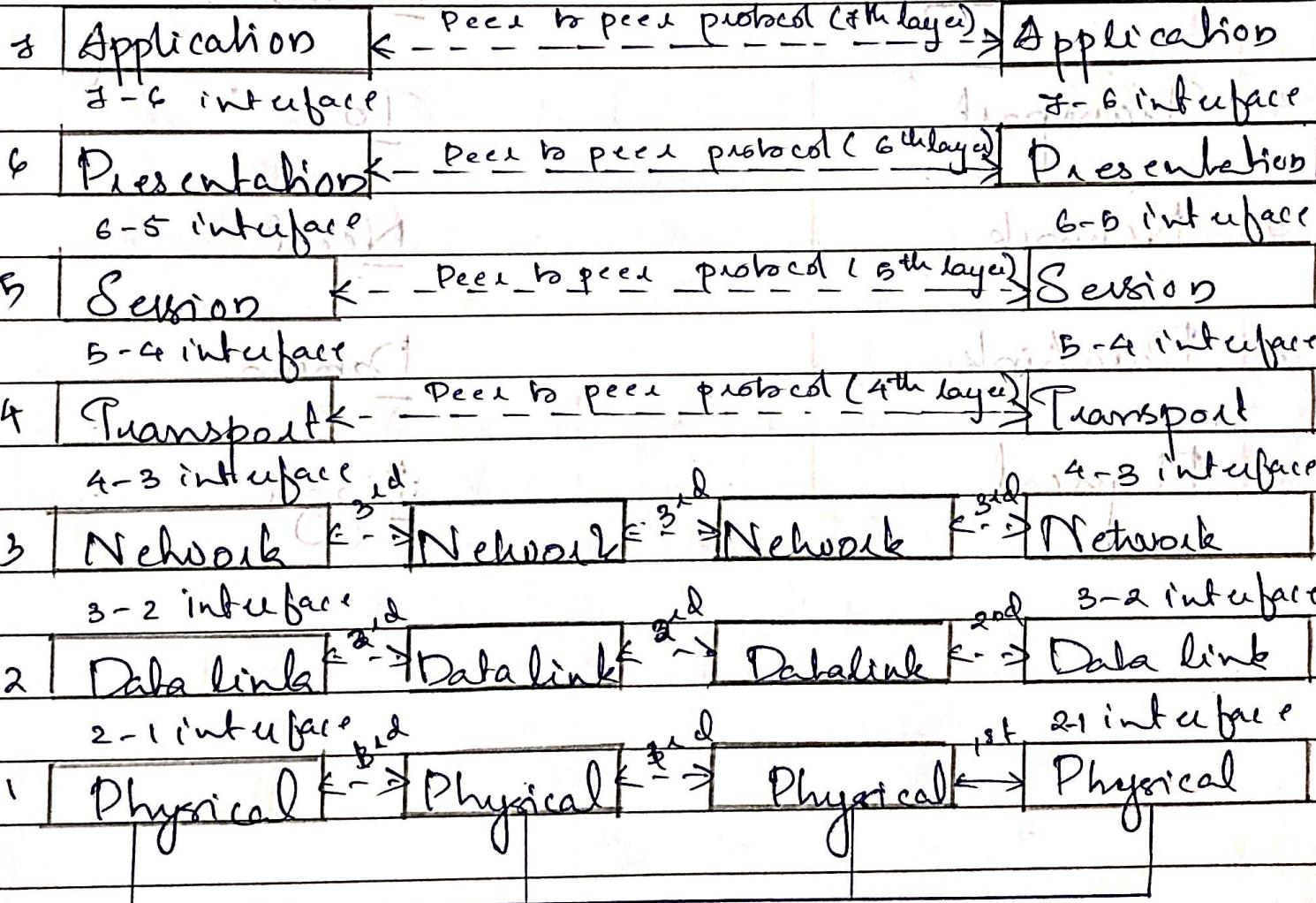
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Device B



Intermediate
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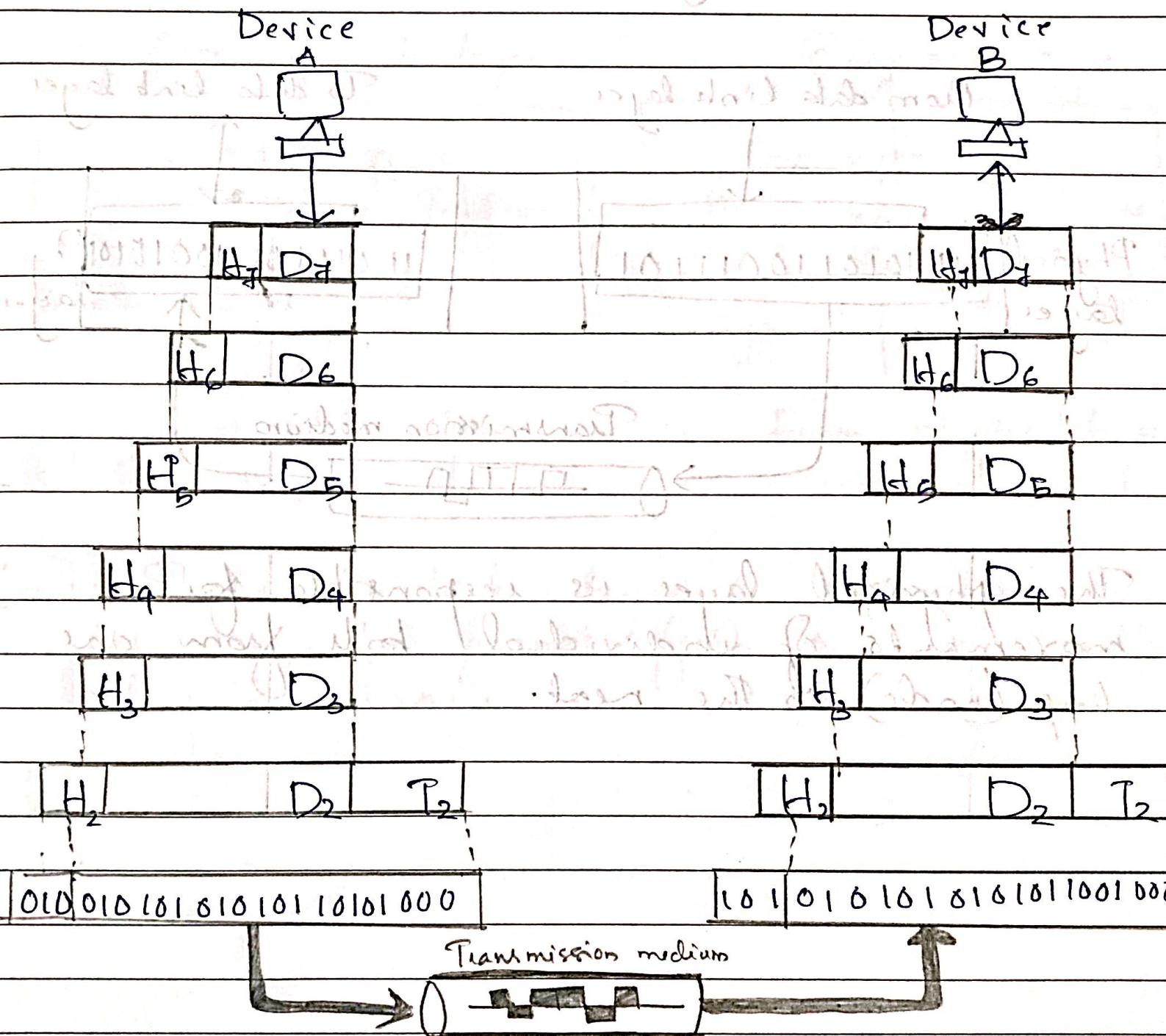
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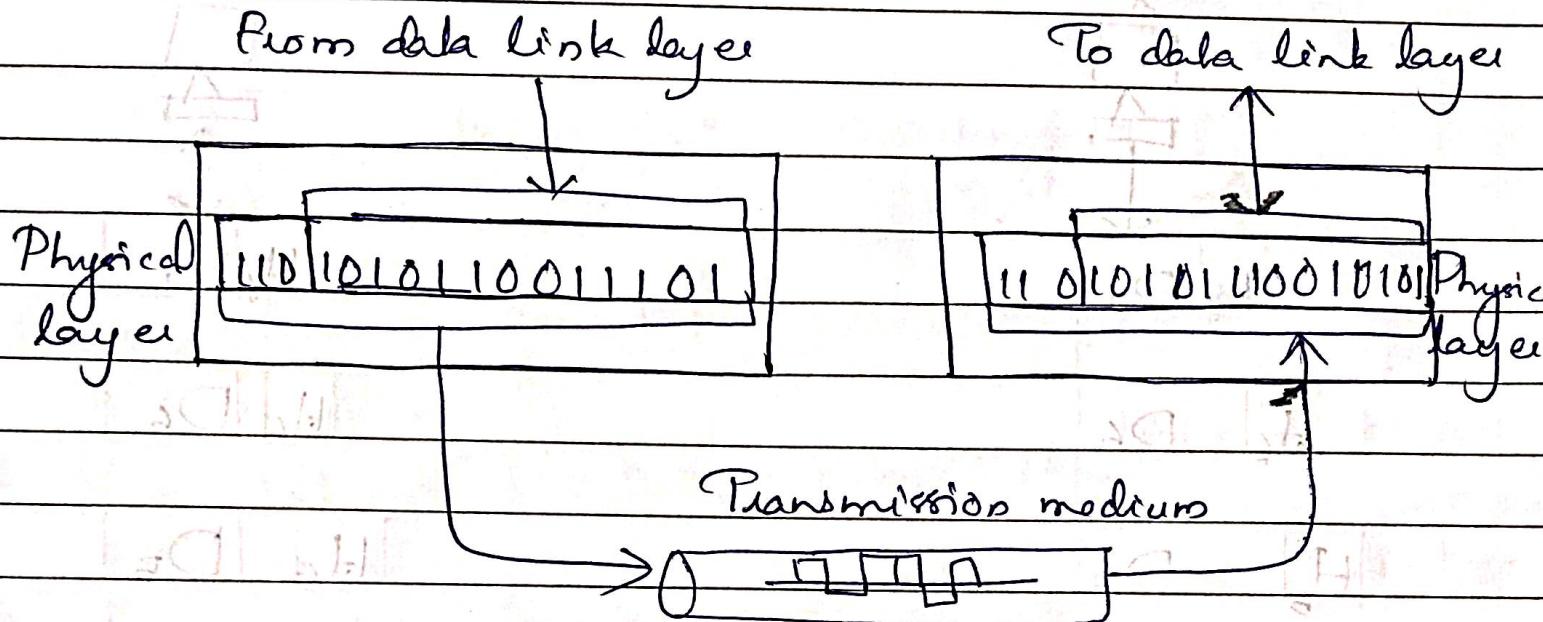
Physical communication

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An exchange using the OSI model

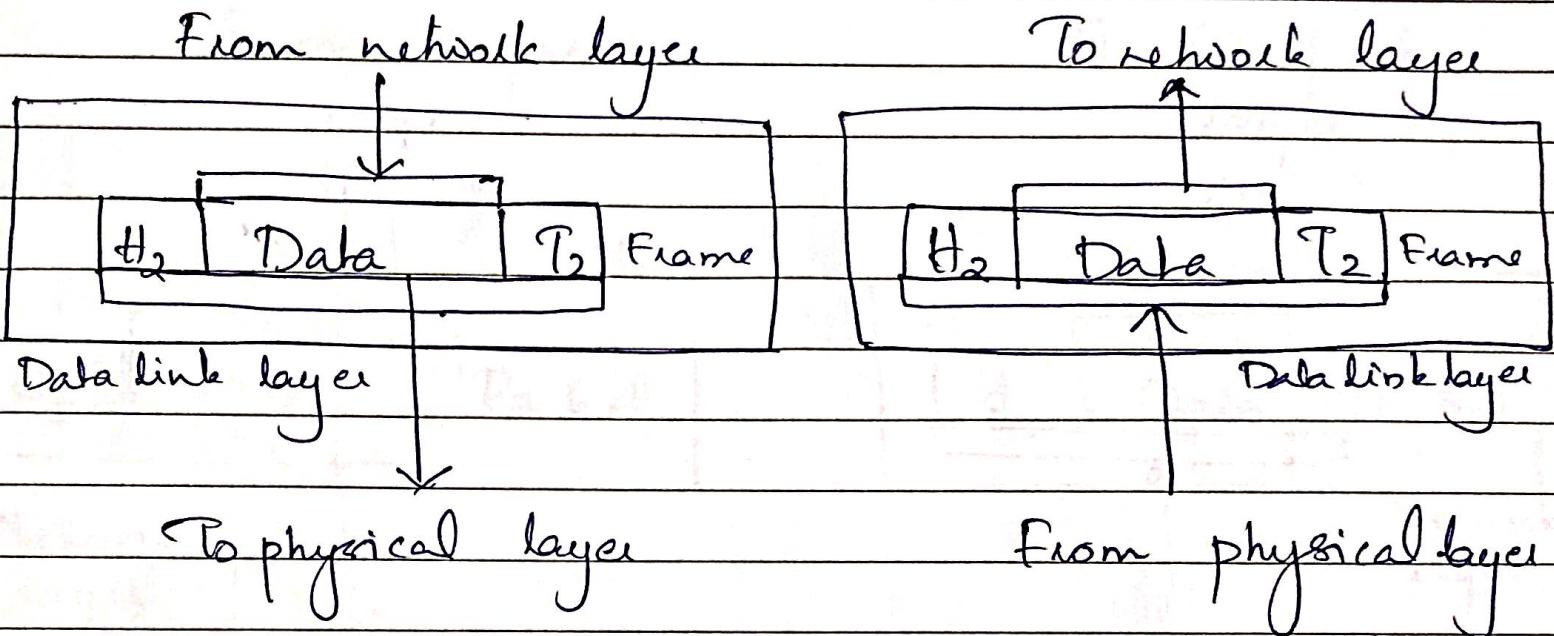


Physical layer



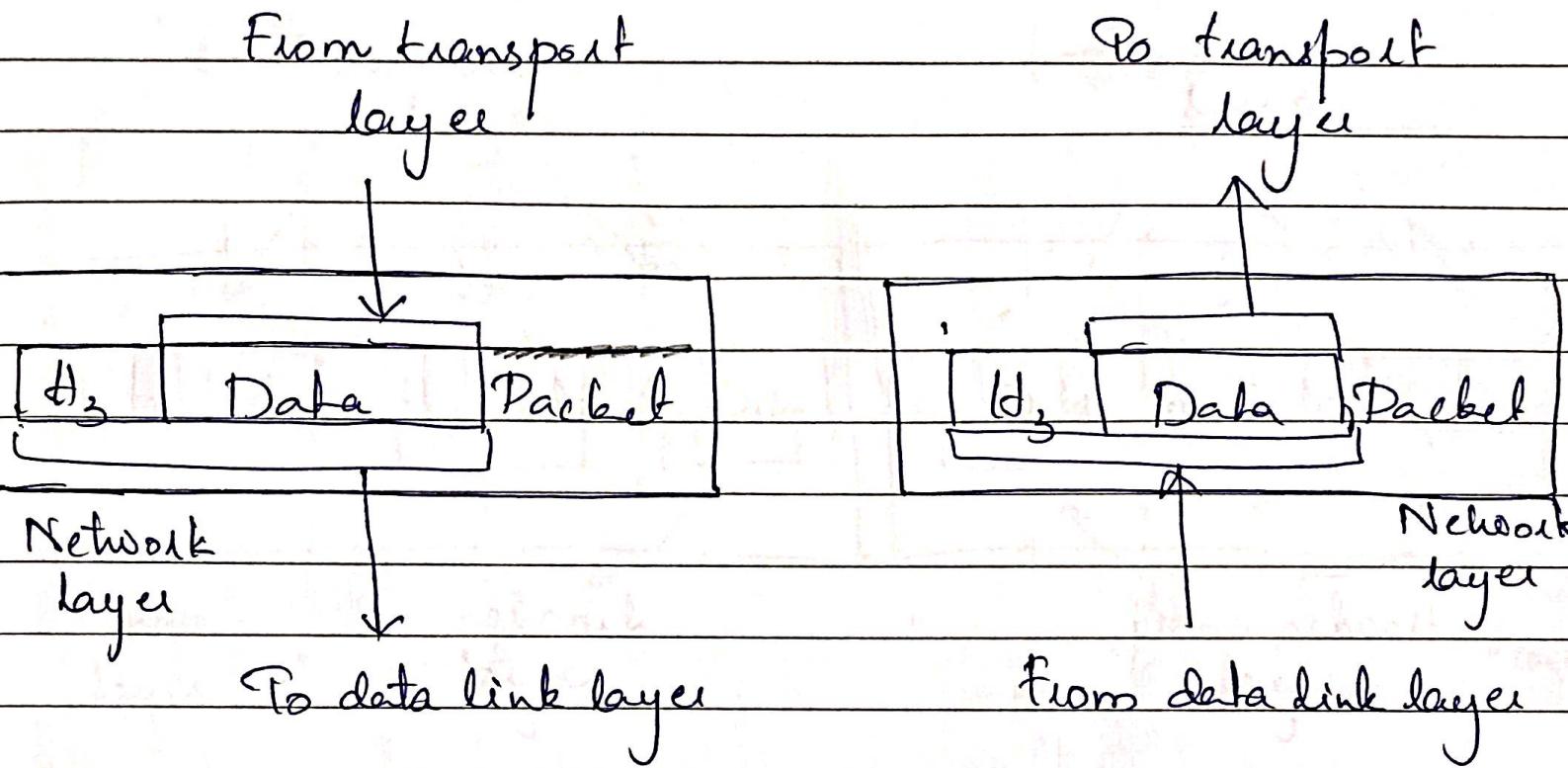
The physical layer is responsible for movement of individual bits from one hop (node) to the next.

Data link layer



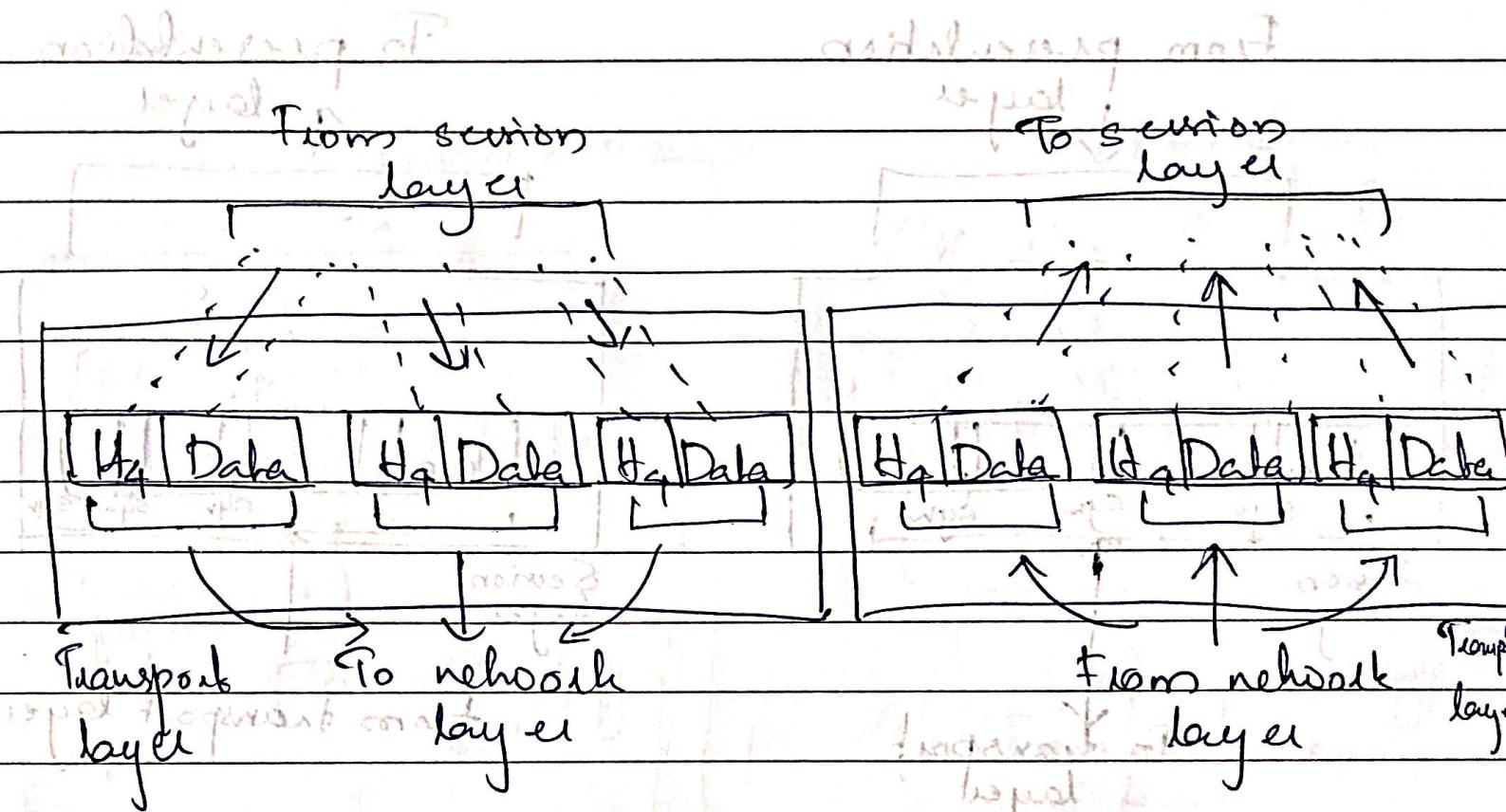
The data link layer is responsible for moving frames from one hop (node) to the next.

Network layer



The network layer is responsible for the delivery of individual packets from the source host to the destination host.

Transport layer

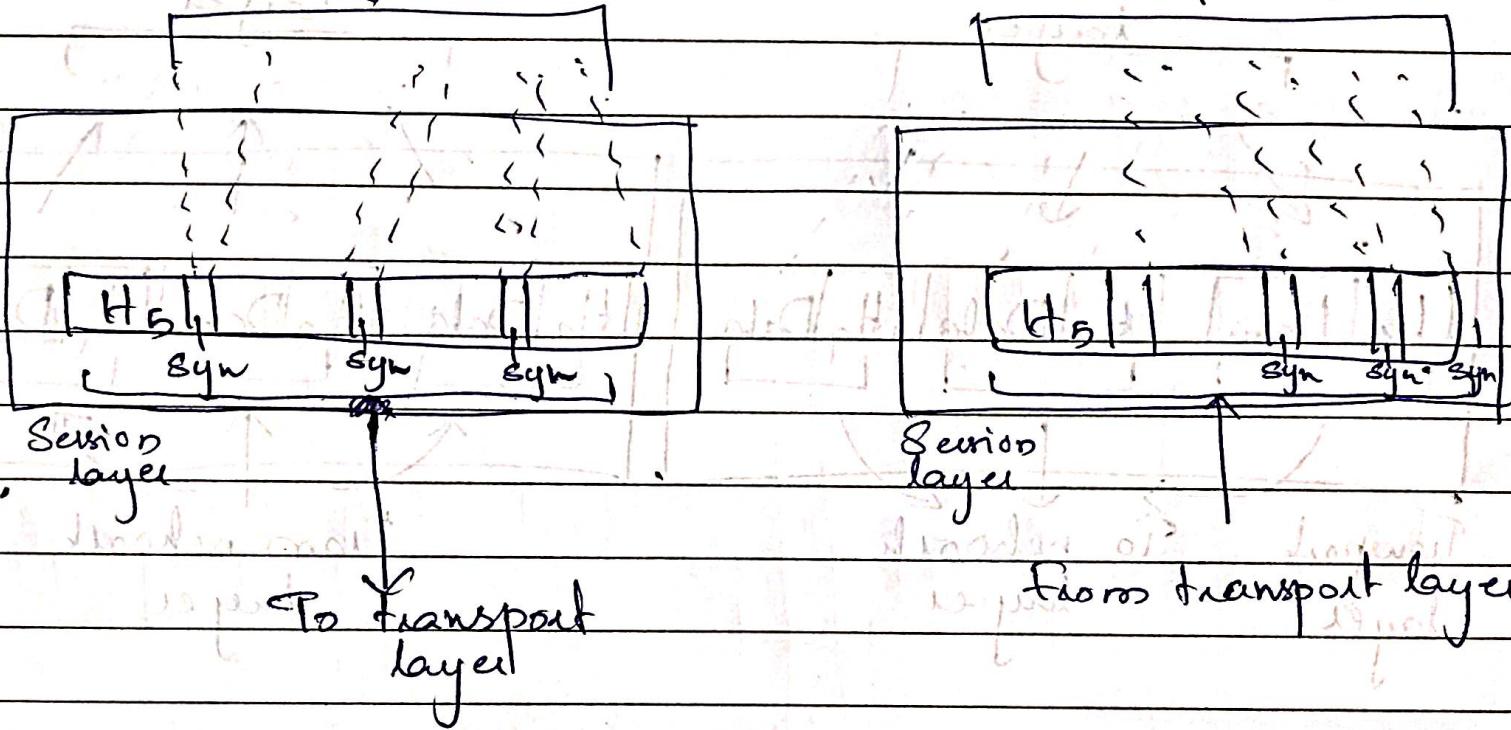


The transport layer is responsible for the delivery of a message from one place to another.

Session layer

From presentation
layer

To presentation
layer

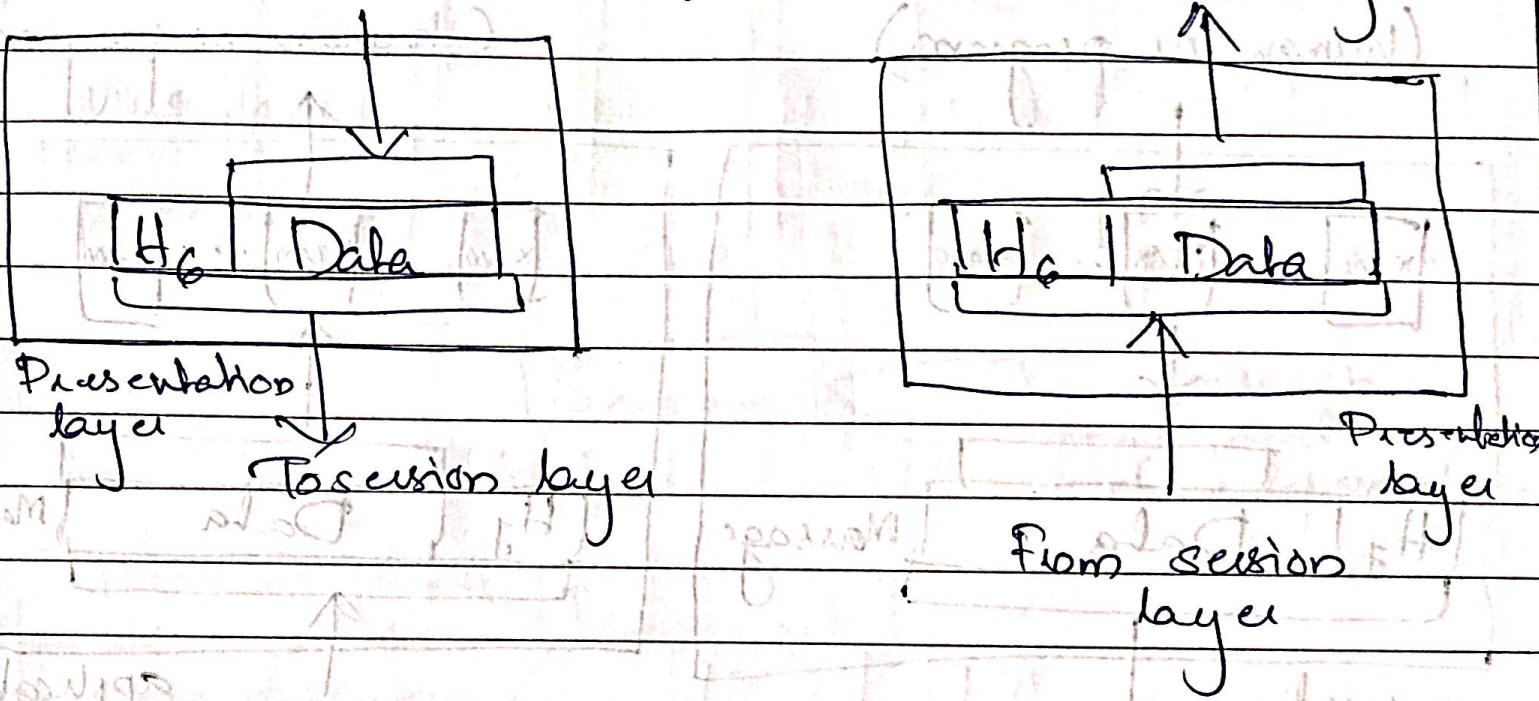


The Session layer is responsible for dialog control & synchronization.

Presentation layer

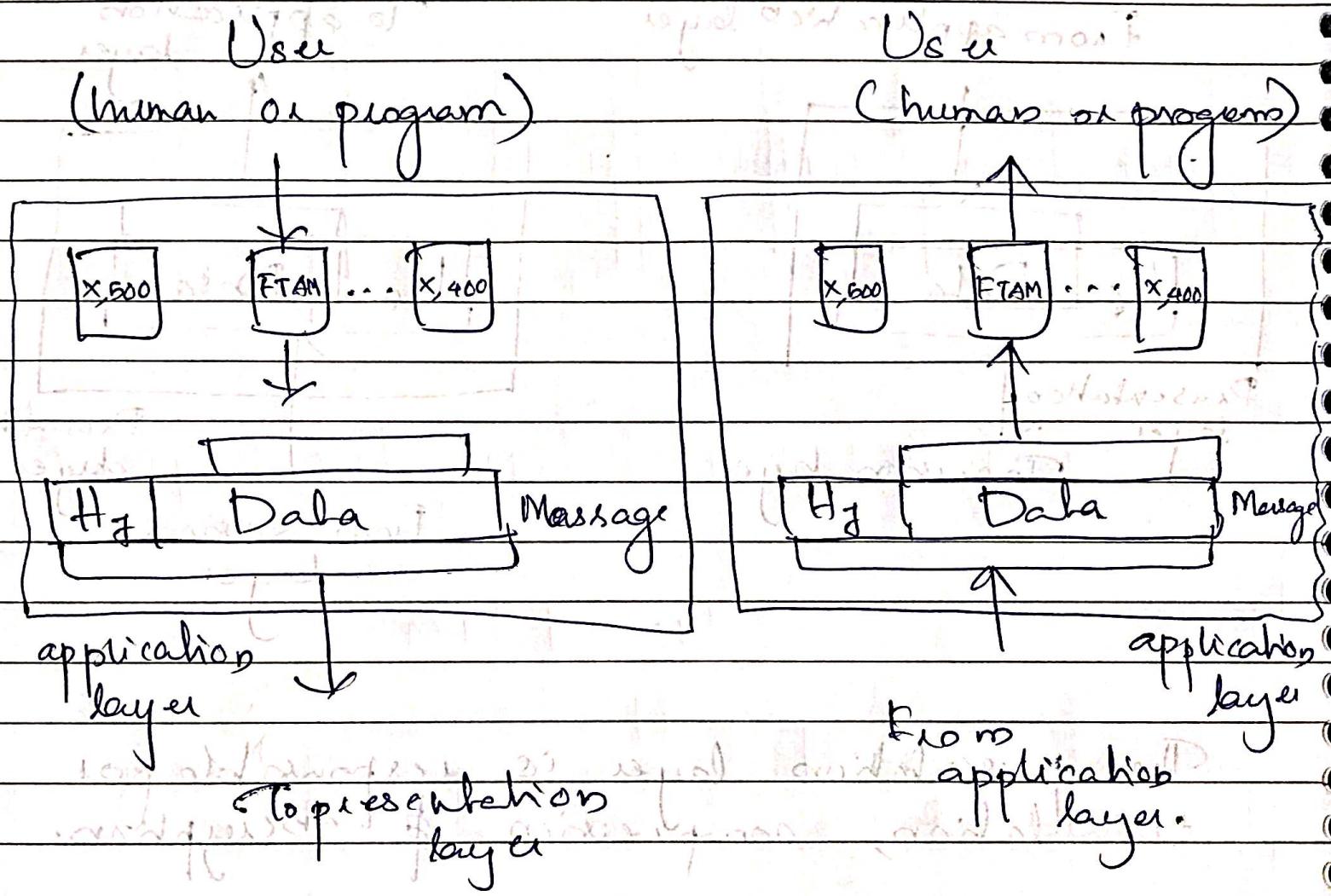
From application layer

To application layer



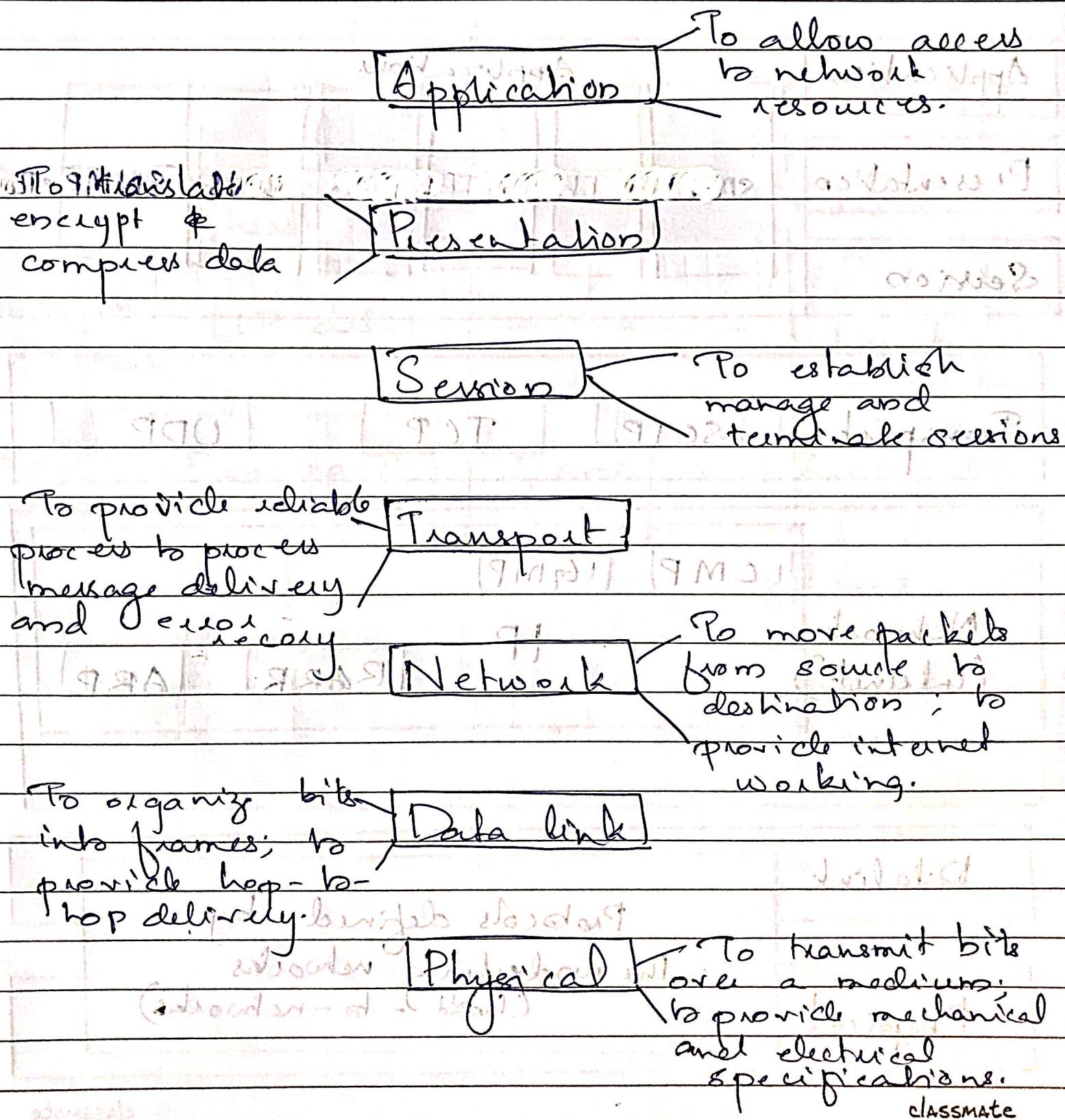
The presentation layer is responsible for translation, compression & encryption.

Application layer



The application layer is responsible for providing services to the user.

Summary of layers



TCP/IP & OSI model

Application	telnet	http	ftp	dns	snmp	telnet
Presentation	smtp	ftp	http	dns	snmp	telnet
Session						

Transport	sctp	tcp	udp
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Network (internet)	ICMP	IGMP	IP	RARP	ARP
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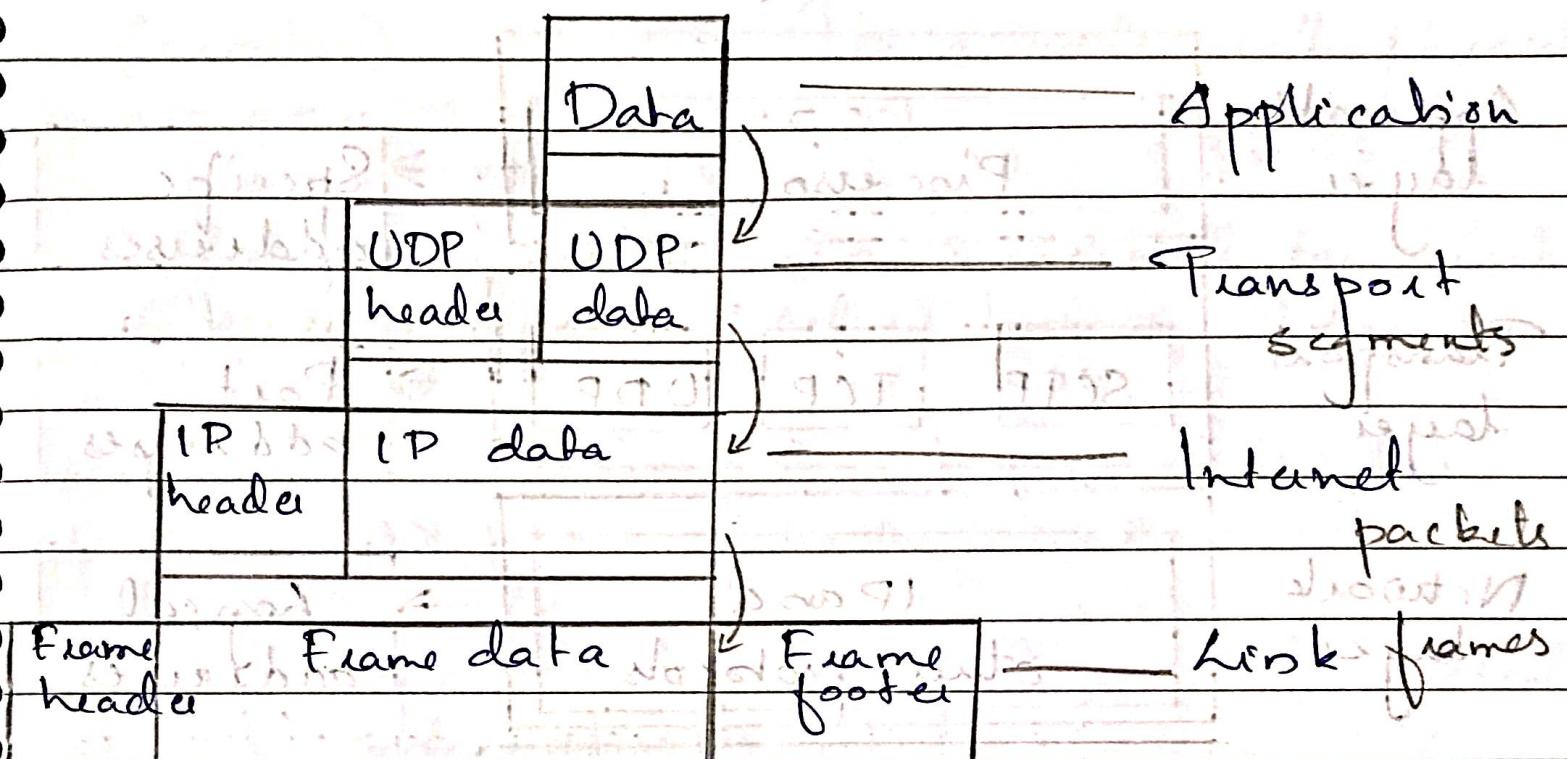
Datalink	Protocols defined by the underlying networks (host -> networks)
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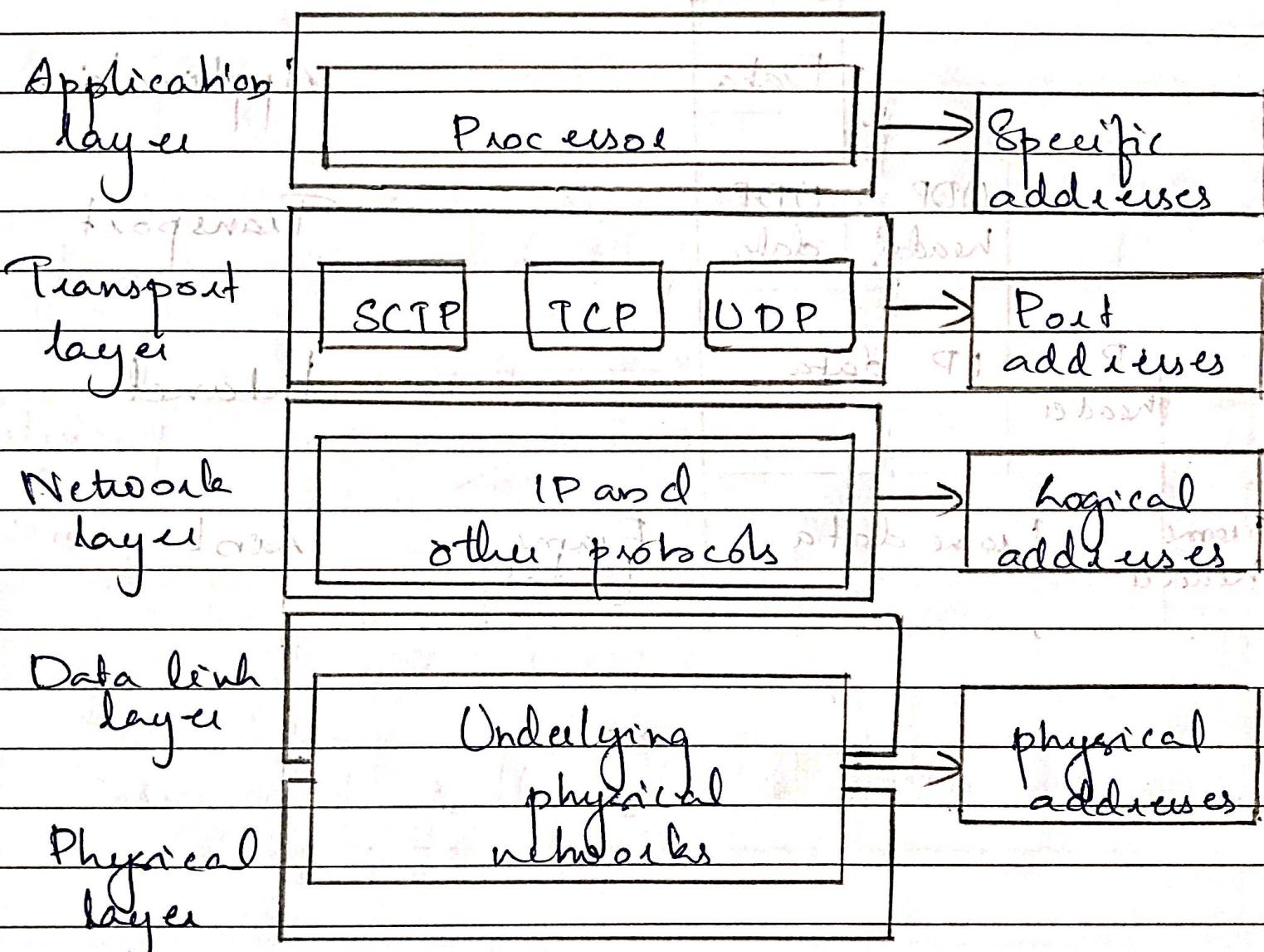
Sender's end

Receiver's end

Encapsulation & Decapsulation



Relationship of layers & addresses in TCP / IP

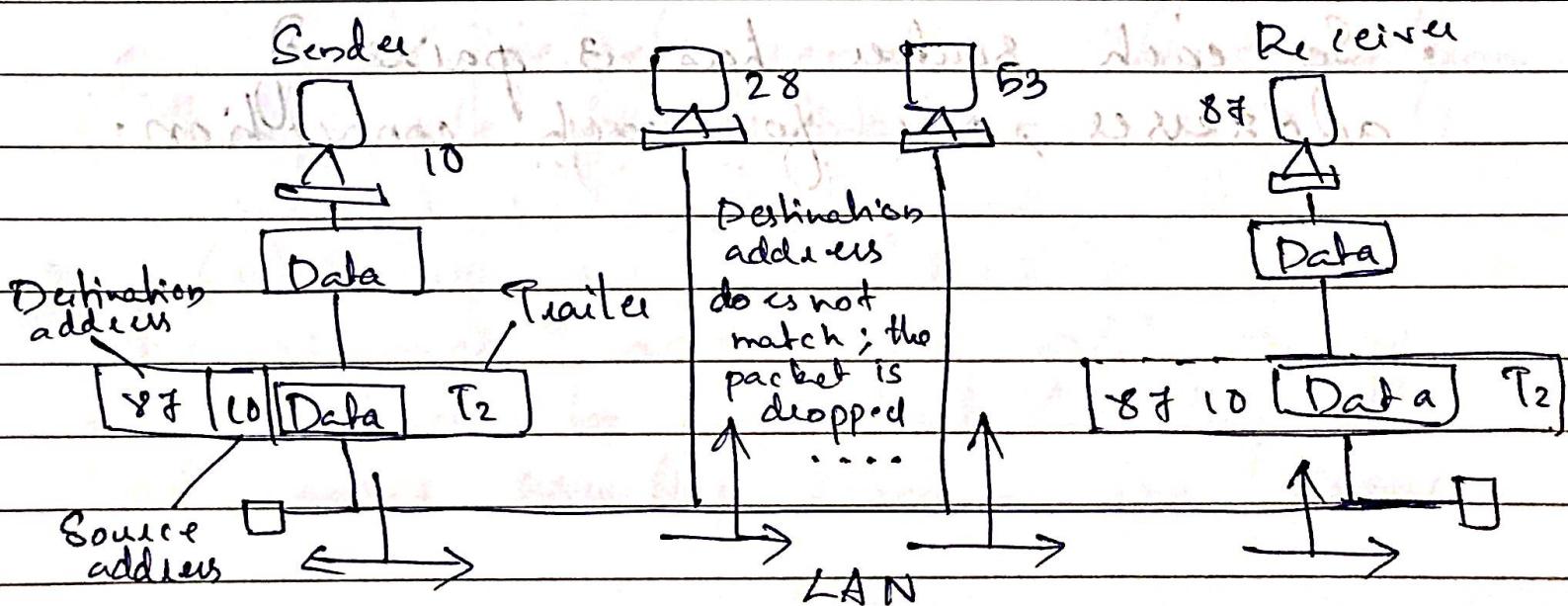


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Physical addresses

- A node with physical address 10 sends (sender) a frame to a node with physical address 87 (receiver).
- The two nodes are connected by a link (bus topology LAN).

A 6-byte (12 hexadecimal digits) physical address.

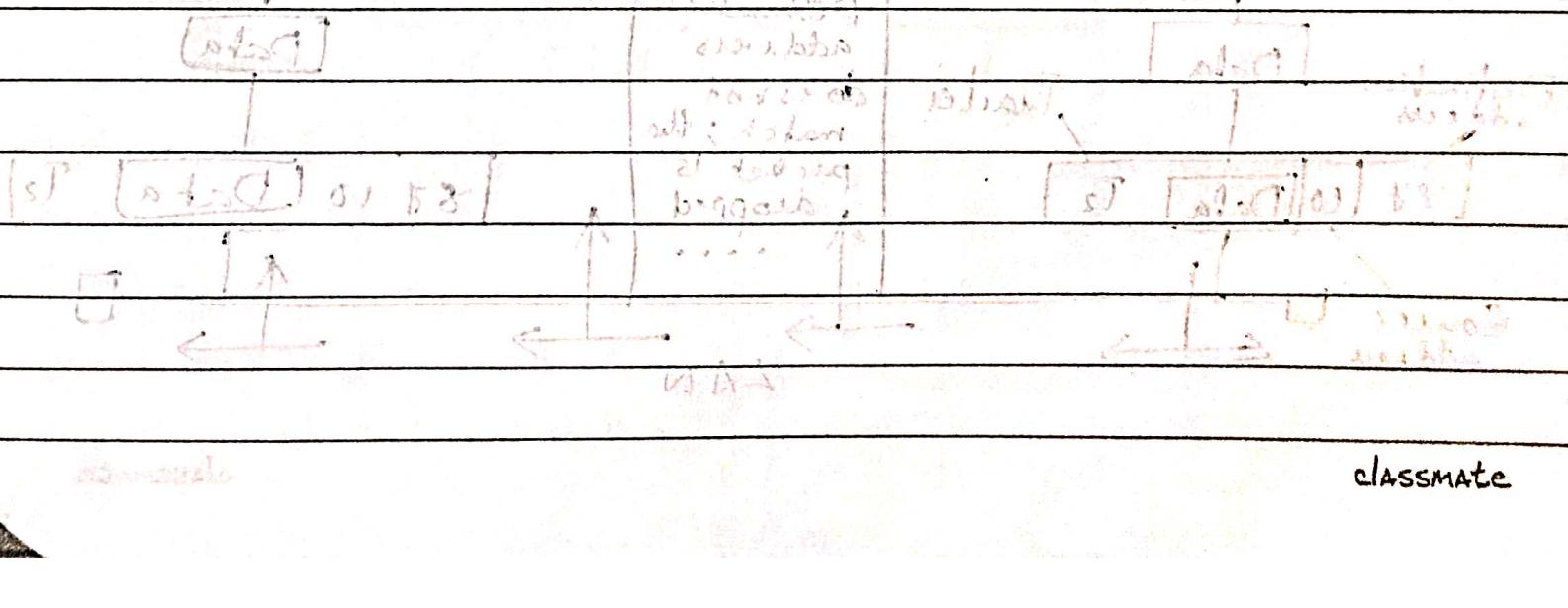


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IP address: a part of an internet with

two sides connecting LANs.

- Each device (computer or router) has a pair of addresses (logical and physical) for each connection.
- Each computer is connected to only one link and has only one pair of addresses.
- Each router, however, is connected to three networks.
So each router has 3 pairs of addresses, one for each connection.



Port Addresses

- Sender is running 3 processes at this time with port addresses a, b & c.

- Receiver is running two processes at this time with port addresses j and k.

- Process a needs to communicate with process j.

Note that although physical addresses change from hop to hop, logical port addresses remain the same from (the source(s)) destination.

The physical addresses will change from hop to hop, but the logical addresses usually remain the same.

A port address is a 16-bit address represented by one decimal number as shown.

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A 16-bit port address represented as one single number.

Application-Specific Addresses

- Applications have user-friendly addresses that are designed for the specific application.

- Examples:

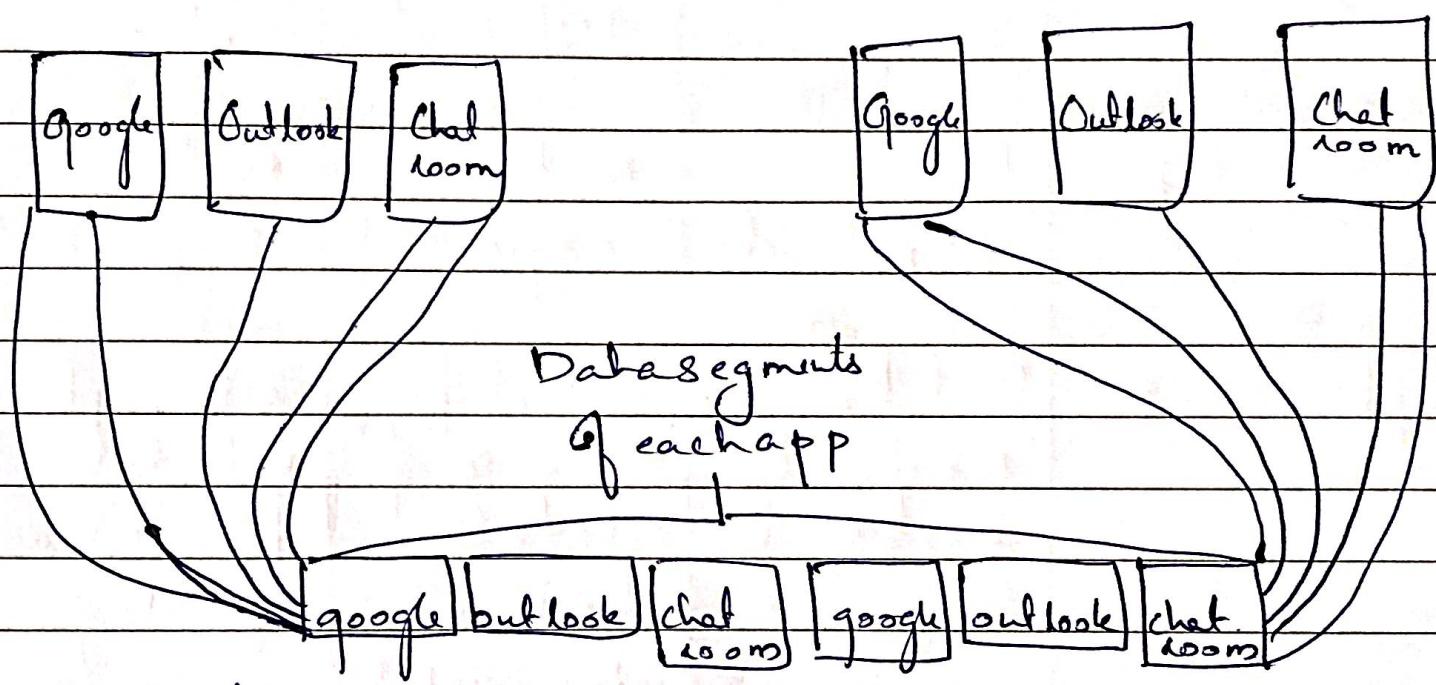
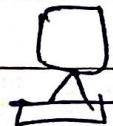
- e-mail addresses (`xyz@saifagin.edu`)
- The Universal Resource Locator (URL) (`www.saifagin.edu`)

Multiplexing / demultiplexing

Source



Destination



Parameter	Circuit Switching	Packet Switching	Message Switching
Path followed by packets	It is always same	May or may not be different.	May or may not be same.
Call setup	It is required.	Not required	Not required.
Application	Real time transfer of voice signal.	Internet for datagrams & reliable stream service between computers.	Telegraph network for transmission of telegrams.
Layer used for implementation at physical layer.	It is implemented in network layer.	Virtual circuit implemented at data link layer and datagram network at network layer.	

Data & Signals

Data

Information sending from sender to receiver.

Signals

The form in which data is sending.

* Like building blocks of computer networks.

* All the data transmitted over channel can either be in analog form or digital form.

* Data are manipulated in the signal form suitable for the transmission channel.

* Like data elements, signals can also either be in analog form or digital form.

* Analog data converted into analog signal form, for example Telephone.

* Digital data converted to analog signal form, for example modems.

* Analog data converted to digital signal form, for example codecs.

- Digital data converted to digital signal form, for example digital transmitter.

Data Vs Signal

Parameters

	Data	Signal
• What is it?	Data is the information we want to transmit	Signal is the waveform format used to send data over channel
• Function	Acts as payload of carrier wave	Acts as carrier which carries data or payload
• Measurement quantity	Bits rate in bps or kbps or Mbps or Gbps	Signal rate or baud rate in Baud, k.Baud or Mbaud

• Affecting data communication parameters	Speed, Higher the bit rate higher is the speed.	Bandwidth, lower the signal rate, lower is the bandwidth.
• Format	Analog (continuous) or Digital form (Binary or discrete)	Analog (Electric, EM or Optical) or digital form (i.e. pulse such as NRZ or RZ)

To be transmitted, data must be transformed to electromagnetic signals.

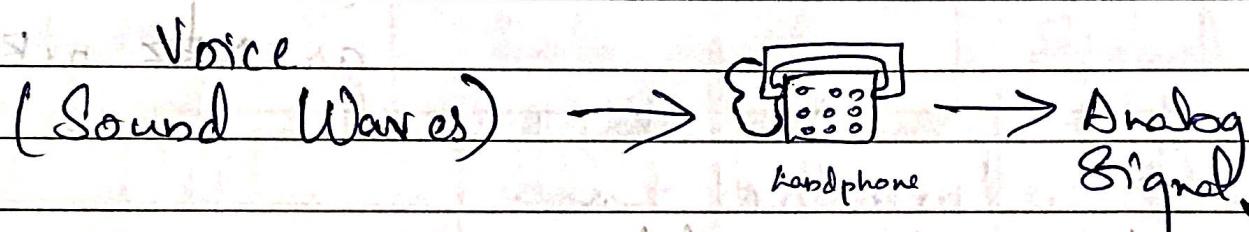
Analog & Digital Data

- Data can be analog or digital.
- The term analog data refers to information that is continuous; digital data refers to information that has discrete states.

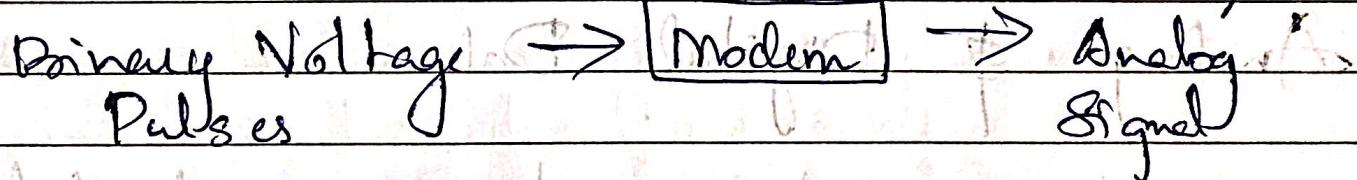
Analog data take on continuous values.

Digital data take on discrete values.

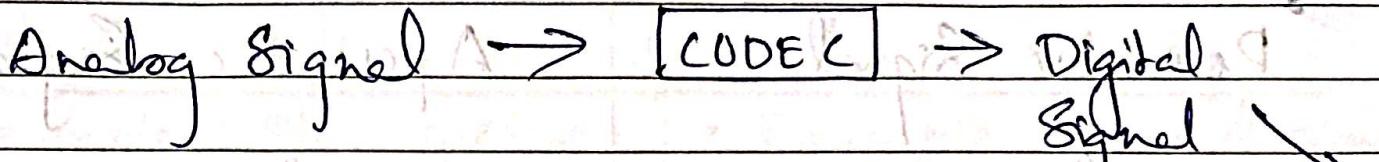
Analog Data



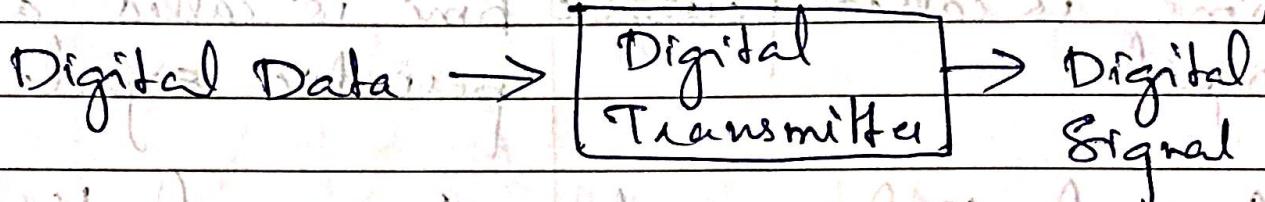
Digital Data



Analog Data



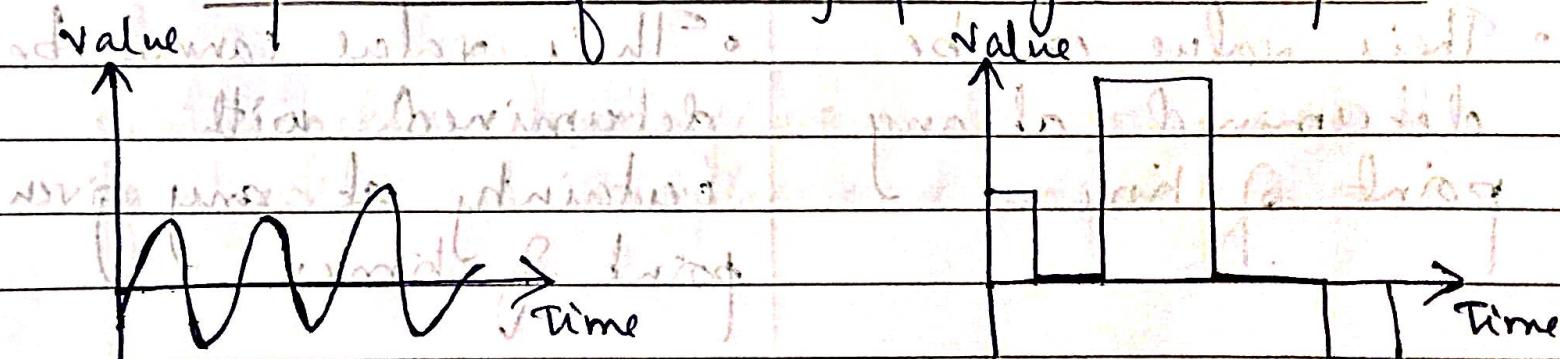
Digital Data



Analog & Digital Signals

- Signals can be analog or digital.
- Analog signals can have an infinite number of values in a range.
- Digital signals can have only a limited number of values.

Comparison of analog & digital signals



a. Analog signal

b. Digital signal

Periodic Vs Non-Periodic Signals

Periodic Signal

- A signal which repeats itself after a specific interval of time is called periodic signal.

Aperiodic Signal

- A signal which does not repeat itself after a specific interval of time is called a periodic signal.

- A signal that repeats its pattern over a period is called periodic signal.

- A signal that does not repeat its pattern over a period is called aperiodic signal or non-periodic signal.

- They can be represented by a mathematical equation.

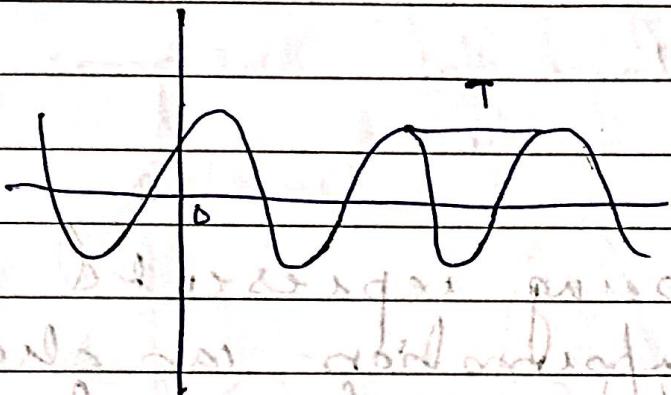
- They cannot be represented by any mathematical equation.

- Their value can be determined at any point of time.

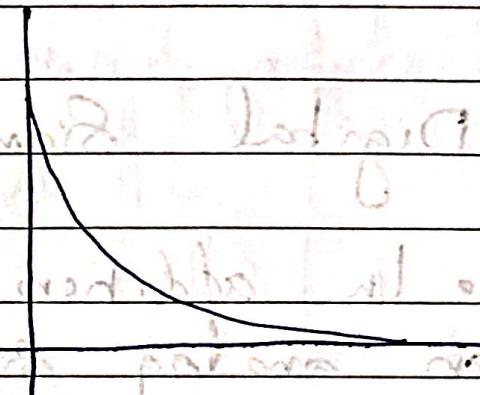
- Their value cannot be determined with certainty at any given point of time.

- They are deterministic signals
- Example : sine cosine square sawtooth etc
- They are random signals
- Example : sound signals from radio, all types of noise signals.

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Periodic Analog Signals

- In data communications, we commonly use periodic analog signals and non-periodic digital signals.
- Periodic analog signals can be classified as simple or composite.

A simple periodic analog signal, a sine wave, cannot be decomposed into simple signals.

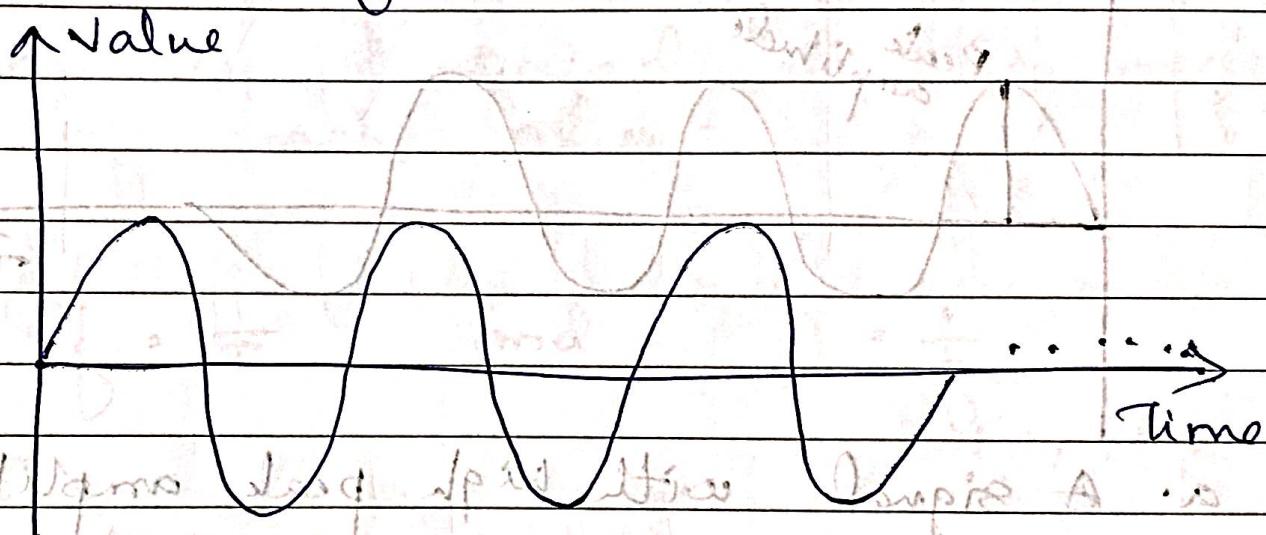
A composite periodic analog signal is composed of multiple sine waves.

Digital Signals

- In addition to being represented by an analog signal, information can also be represented by a digital signal.
- For example, a 1 can be encoded as a +ve ~~positive~~ voltage and a 0 as zero voltage.
- A digital signal can have more than two levels.
- In this case, we can send more than 1 bit for each level.

A sine wave

- Simple periodic analog signal cannot be composed of simple signals.
- Composite periodic analog signal is composed of multiple sine waves.

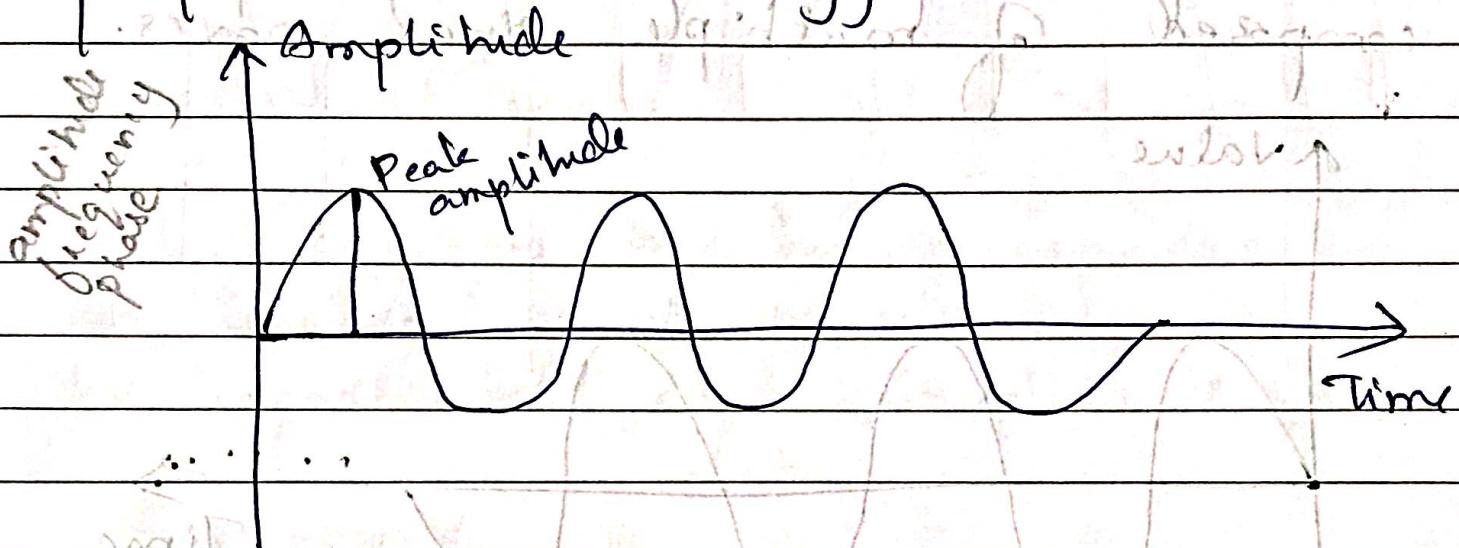


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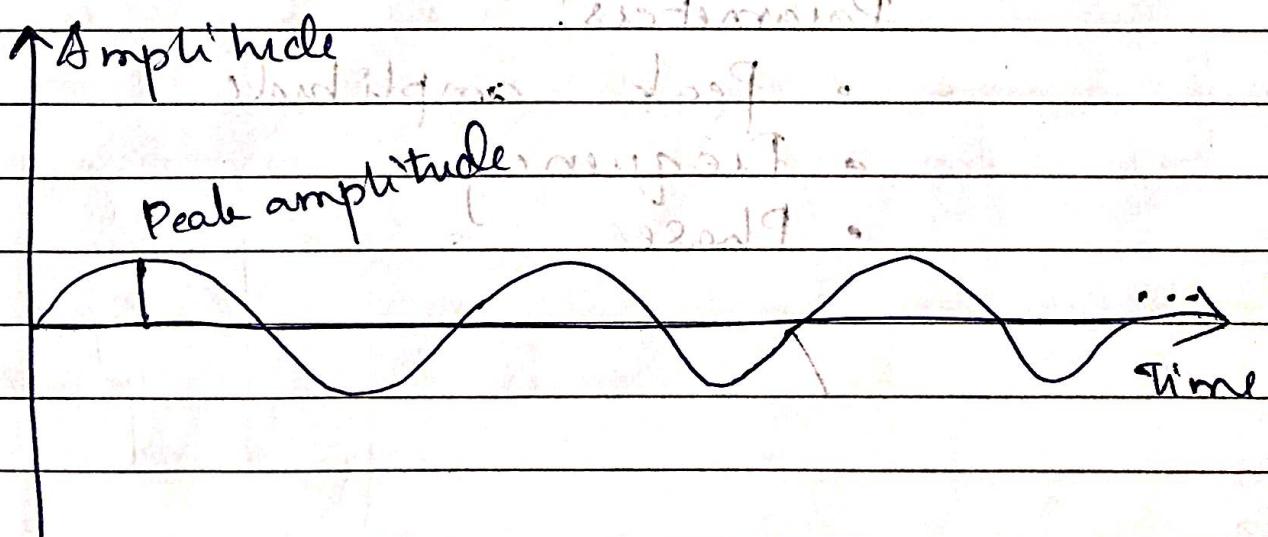
- Peak amplitude
- Frequency
- Phase

Two signals with the same phase & frequency but different amplitudes

Peak amplitude of a signal is the absolute value of its highest intensity, proportional to energy it carries.



a. A signal with high peak amplitude



b. A signal with low peak amplitude

Period & Frequency

- Period - amount of time (in secs) a signal need to complete 1 cycle
- Frequency refers to no. of periods in 1 sec. (measured in Hz)

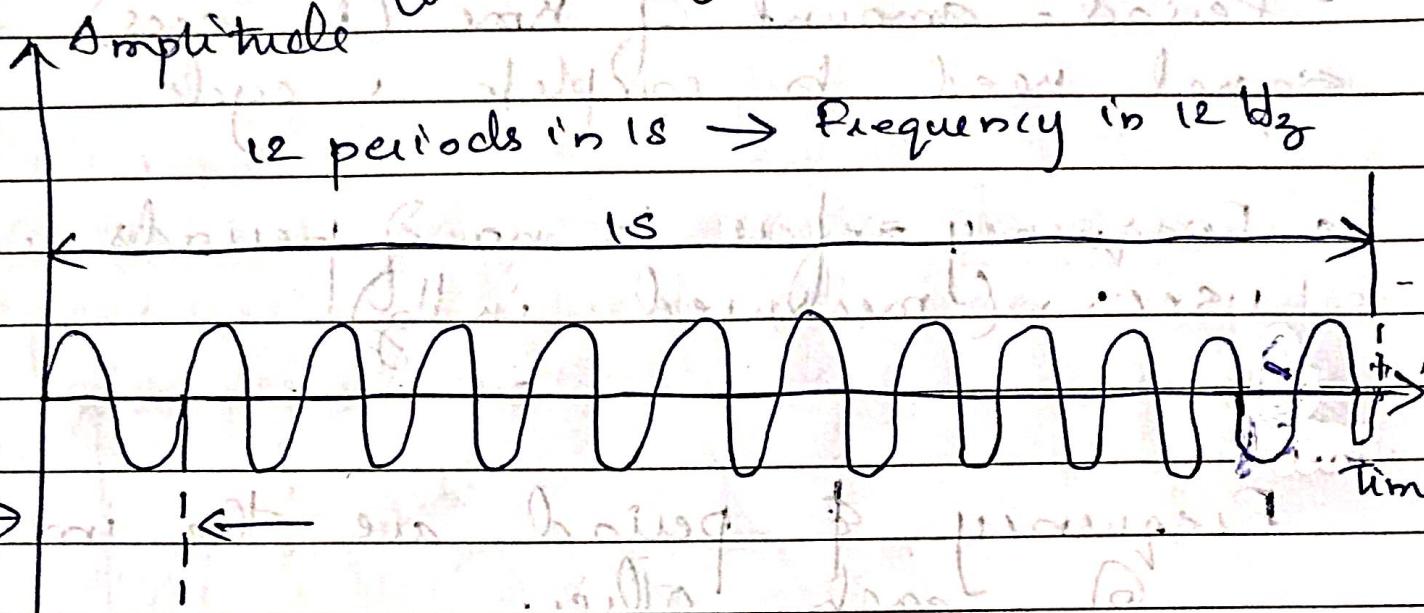
Frequency & period are the inverse
of each other.

$$f = \frac{1}{T}$$

and

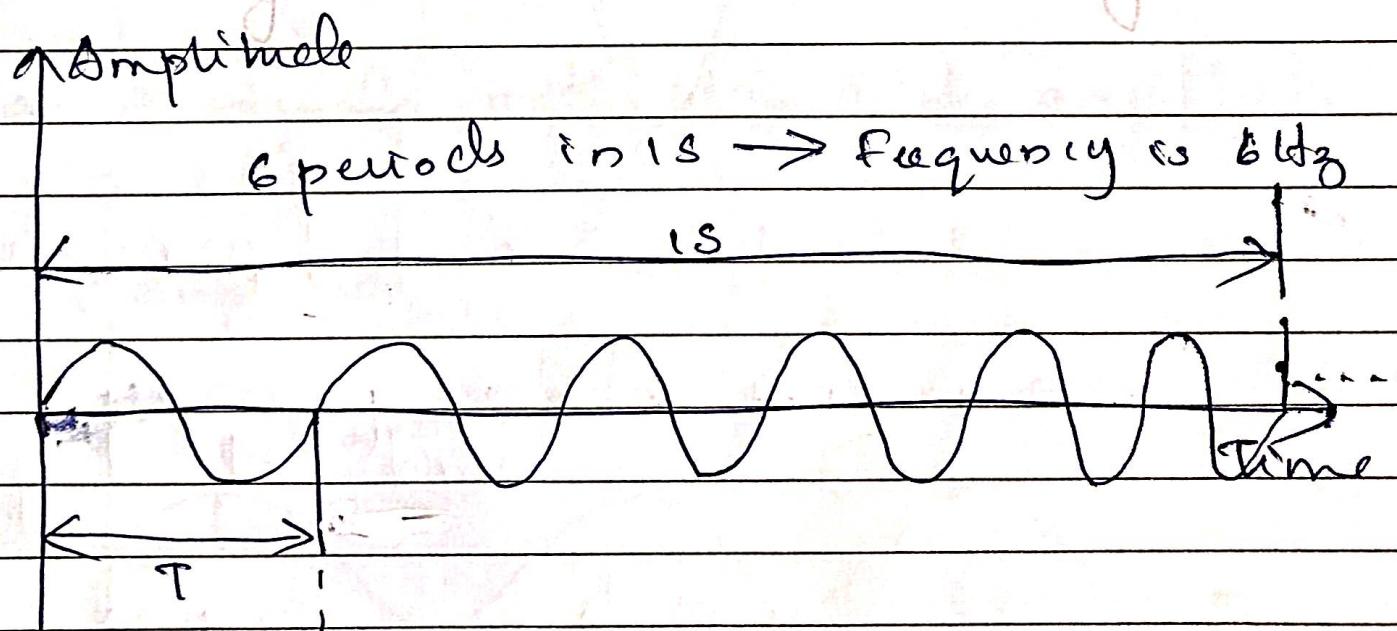
$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

Two signals with the same amplitude in phase but different frequencies.



$$\text{period} = \frac{1}{12} \text{ s}$$

a) A signal with a frequency of 12 Hz



$$\text{Period} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ s}$$

b) A signal with a frequency of 6 Hz

Units of period & frequency

Unit	Equivalent	Unit	Equivalent
Seconds (s)	1 s	Hertz (Hz)	1 Hz
Milliseconds (ms)	10^{-3} s	Kilohertz (kHz)	10^3 Hz
Microseconds (μs)	10^{-6} s	Megahertz (MHz)	10^6 Hz
Nanoseconds (ns)	10^{-9} s	Gigahertz (GHz)	10^9 Hz
Picoseconds (ps)	10^{-12} s	Terahertz (THz)	10^{12} Hz

The power we use at home has a frequency of 60 Hz .

The period of this sine wave can be determined as follows:

$$\text{Time period } = \frac{1}{60 \text{ Hz}} = 0.0166 \text{ s} = 0.0166 \times 10^3 \text{ ms} = 16.6 \text{ ms}$$

The period of a signal is 100ms. What is its frequency in kilohertz?

Solution

First we change 100ms to seconds, and then we calculate the frequency from the period ($1 \text{ Hz} = 10^{-3} \text{ kHz}$)

$$100\text{ms} = 100 \times 10^{-3} \text{s} = 10^{-1} \text{s}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{10^{-1} \text{s}} = 10 \text{Hz} = 10 \times 10^{-3} \text{kHz} = 10^{-2} \text{kHz}$$

Frequency

• Frequency is the rate of change with respect to time.

• Change in a short span of time means high frequency.

Change over a long span of time means low frequency.

If a signal does not change at all, its frequency is zero.

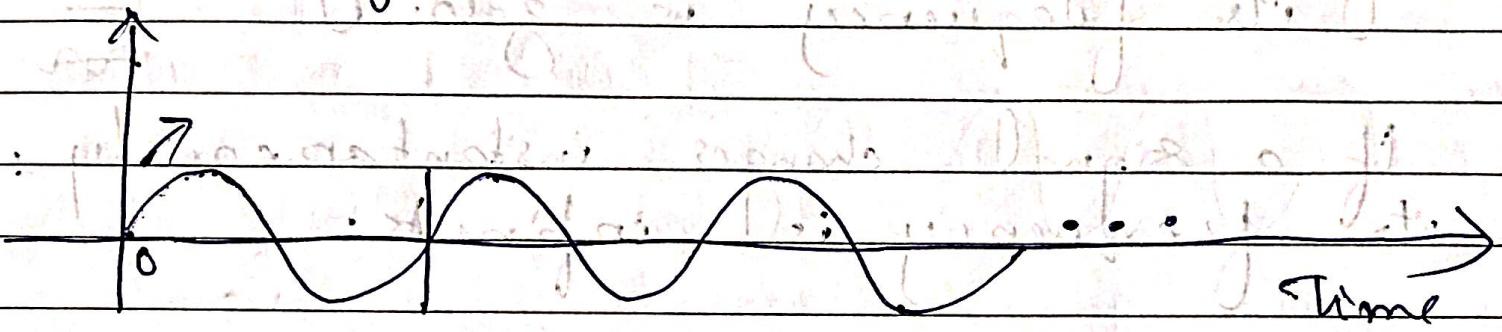
If a signal changes instantaneously, its frequency is infinite.

Phase

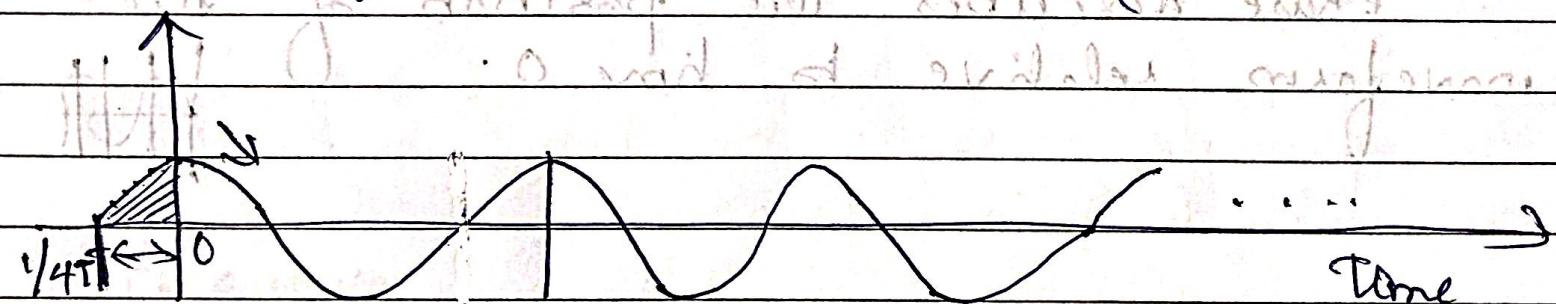
Phase describes the position of the waveform relative to time 0.

Three sine waves with the same amplitude & frequency, but different phases.

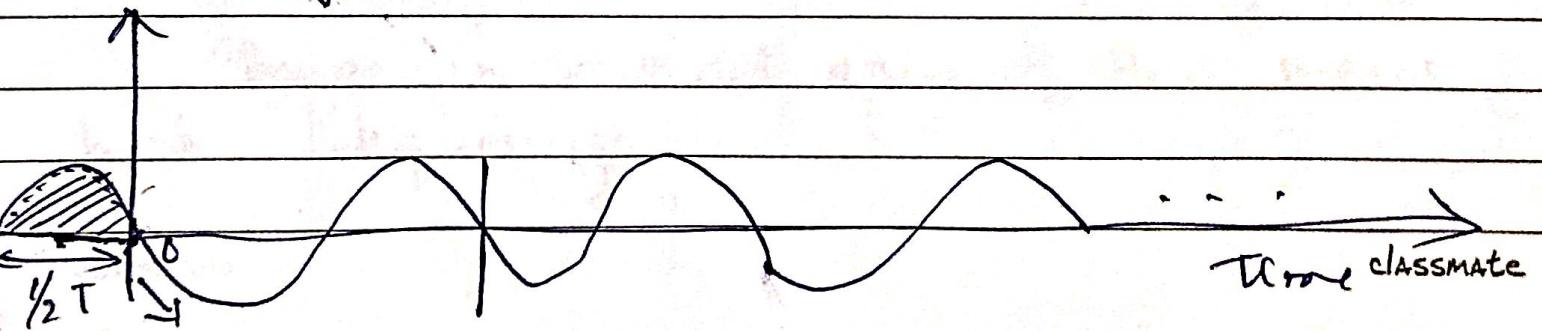
a. 0 degrees



b. 90 degrees



c. 180 degrees



A sine wave is offset $\frac{1}{6}$ cycle with respect to time t . What is its phase in degrees and radians?

Solution

We know that 1 complete cycle is 360° . Therefore, $\frac{1}{6}$ cycle is

$$\frac{1}{6} \times 360^\circ = 60^\circ \Rightarrow 60 \times \frac{2\pi}{360} \text{ rad} = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ rad}$$

Wavelength & period

Wavelength : The distance between successive crests of a wave, especially points in a sound wave or electro-magnetic wave.

Wavelength is usually measured in meters.

Signals of Communications

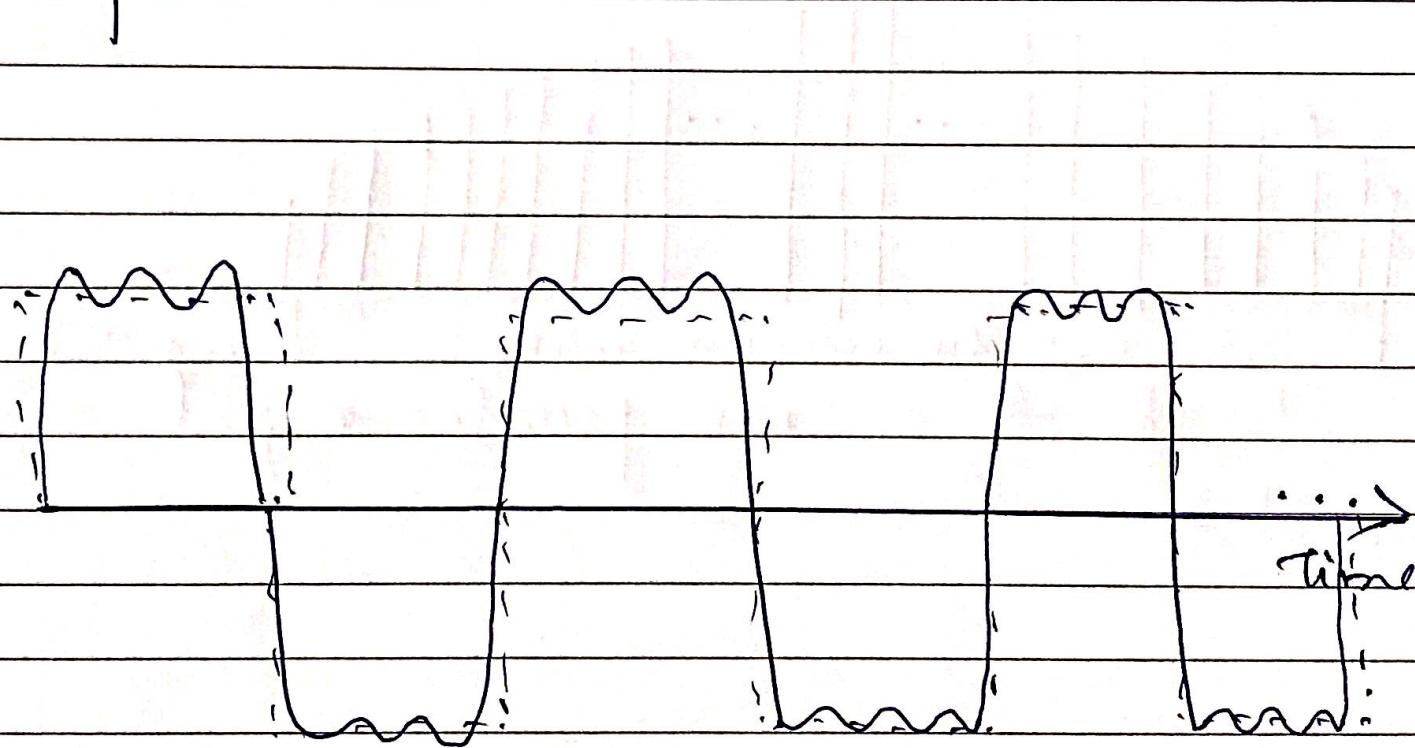
- > A single-frequency sine wave is not useful in digital communications.
- > We need to send a composite signal, a signal made of many simple sine waves.
- > According to Fourier analysis, any composite signal is a combination of simple sine waves with different frequencies, amplitudes & phases.

Composite Signals of Periodicity

- > If the composite signal is periodic, the decomposition gives a series of signals with discrete frequencies.
- > If the composite signal is non-periodic, the decomposition gives a combination of sine waves with continuous frequencies.

e.g. periodic composite signal with frequency f

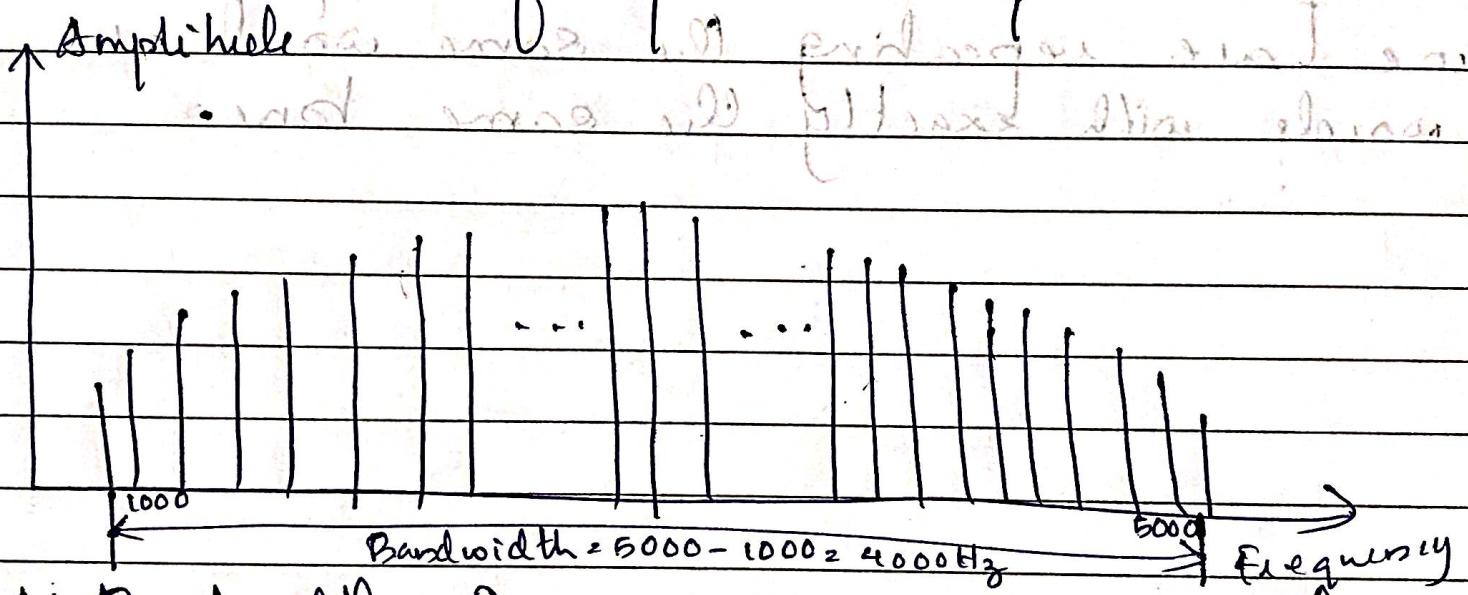
- Not typical of those found in data communications.
- We can consider it to be 3 alarms systems, each with a different frequency.
- The analysis of this signal can give us a good understanding of how to decompose signals.



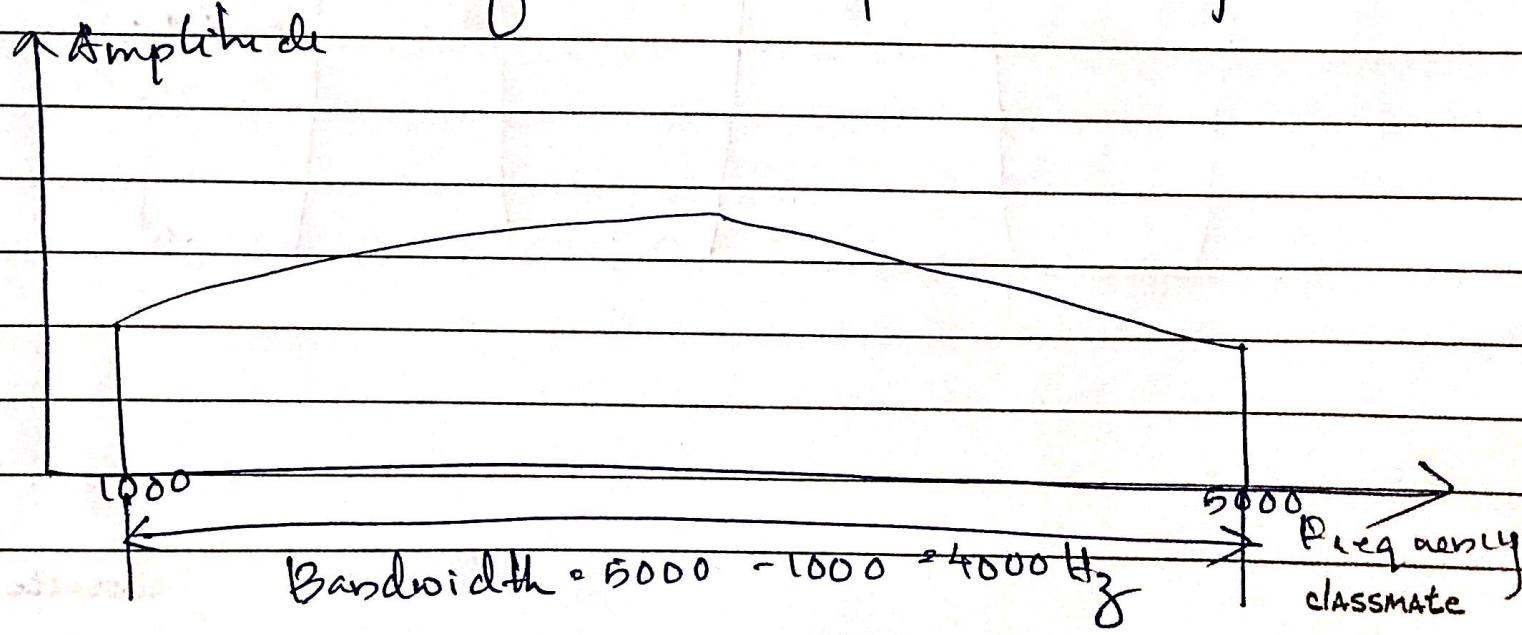
Bandwidth of Signal Frequency

The bandwidth of a composite signal is the difference between the highest & the lowest frequencies contained in the signal.

a. Bandwidth of a periodic signal



b. Bandwidth of a non-periodic signal



Eg. If a periodic signal is decomposed into 5 sine waves with frequencies of 100, 300, 500, 700, & 900 Hz, what is its bandwidth? Draw the spectrum, assuming all components have a maximum amplitude of 10 V.

Solution

Let f_h be the highest frequency, f_l the lowest frequency, and B the bandwidth. Then

$$B = f_h - f_l = 900 - 100 = 800 \text{ Hz}$$

The spectrum has only five spikes at 100, 300, 500, 700 and 900 Hz.

