

# **Networking Fundamentals**



# Networking Devices: Review from module one

## **Networking Devices**

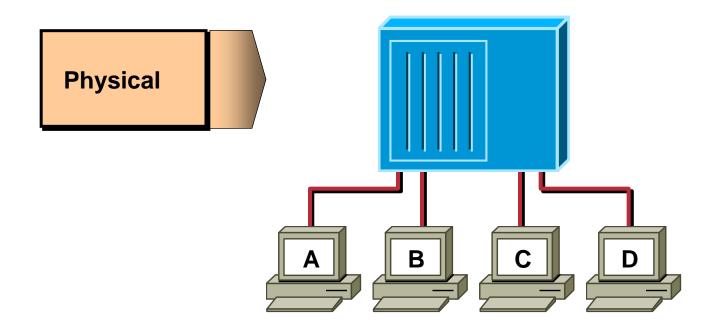
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- Layer 5-7 Firewalls, IPS
- Layer 3,4 Routers
- Layer 2 Bridges/Switches
- Layer 1 Hubs

7	Application		
6	Presentation		
5	Session		
4	Transport		
3	Network		
2	Data Link		
1	Physical		

## Hubs Operate at Physical layer

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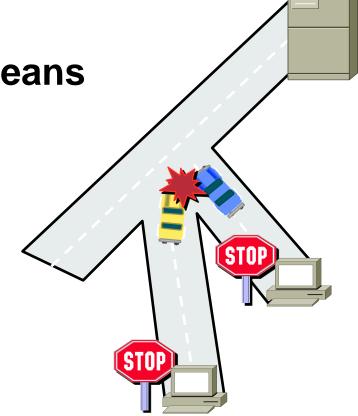
- All devices in the same collision domain
- All devices in the same broadcast domain
- Devices share the same bandwidth

#### **Hubs: One Collision Domain**

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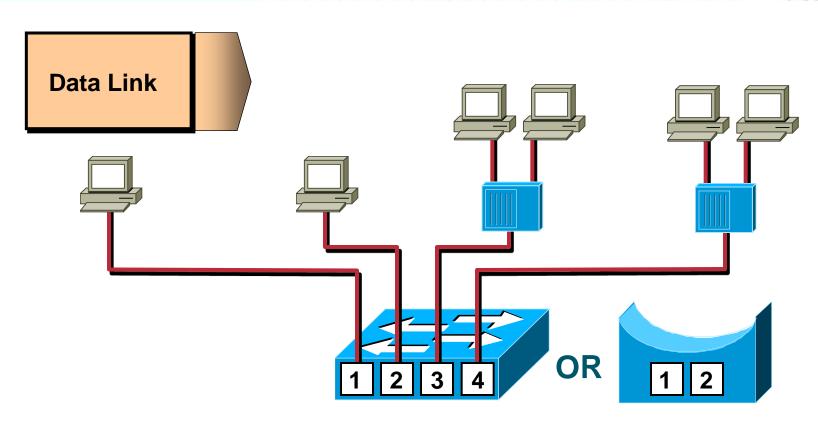
 More end stations means more collisions

CSMA/CD is used



# Switches and Bridges Operate at Data Link Layer

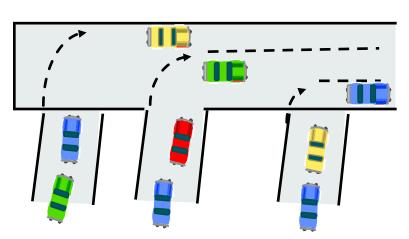
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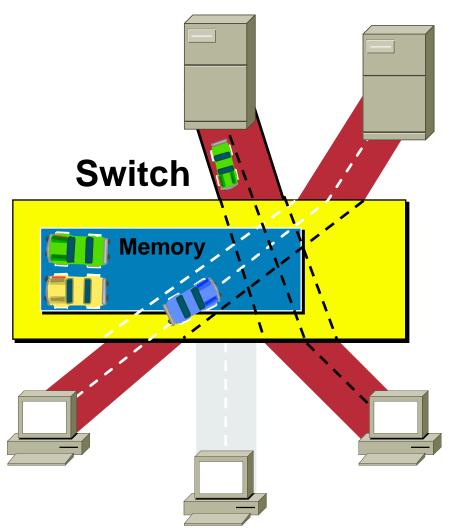
- Each segment has its own collision domain
- All segments are in the same broadcast domain

### **Switches**

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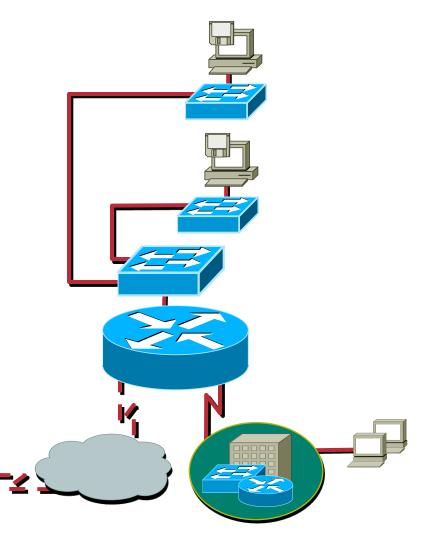
- Each segment has its own collision domain
- Broadcasts are forwarded to all segments



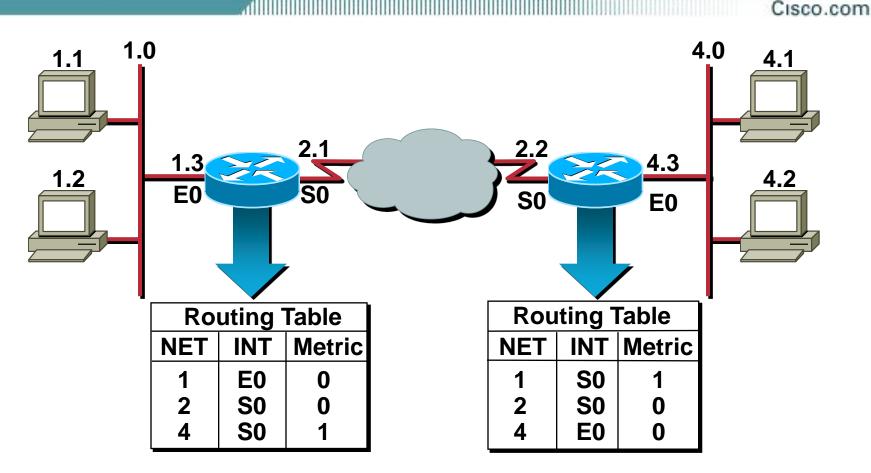
## Routers: Operate at the Network Layer

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- Broadcast control
- Multicast control
- Optimal path determination
- Traffic management
- Logical addressing
- Connects to WAN services



## **Network Layer Functions (cont.)**



- Logical addressing allows for hierarchical network
- Configuration required
- Uses configured information to identify paths to networks

## Transport Layer Functions

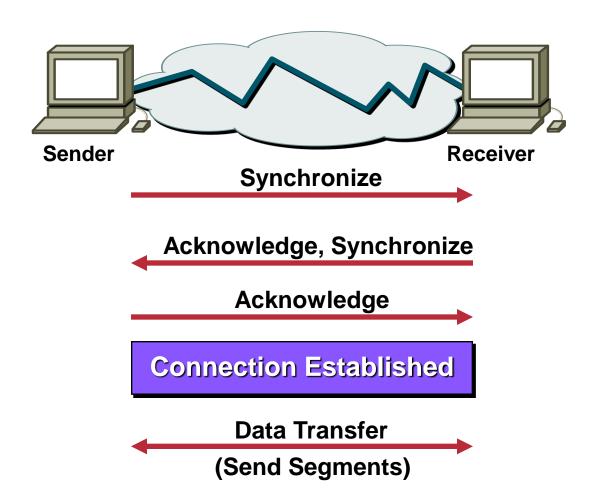
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- Distinguishes between upper layer applications
- Establishes end-to-end connectivity between applications
- Defines flow control
- Provides reliable or unreliable services for data transfer

Transport	ТСР	UDP	SPX
Network	IP		IPX

### Reliable Transport Layer Functions

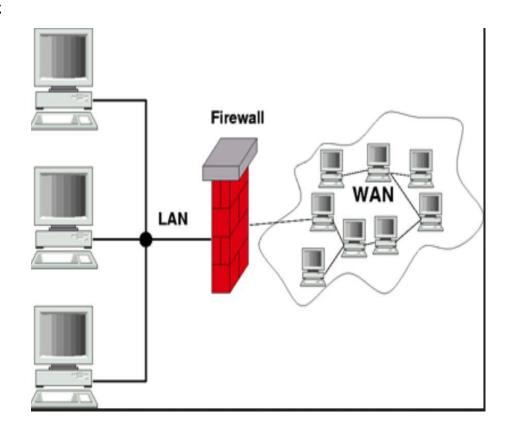
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## Firewalls: Operate at L2 – L7

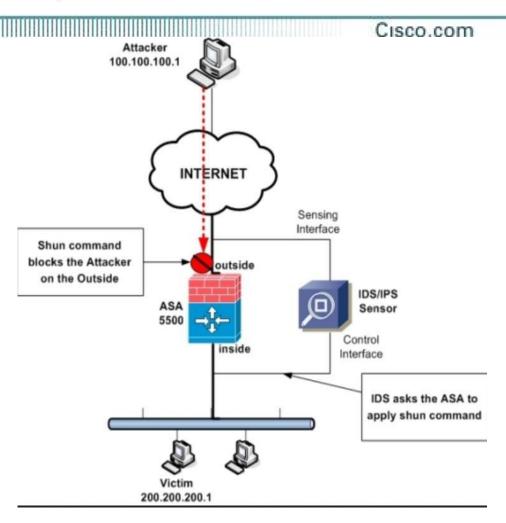
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- Blocks unrequested traffic
- Allows return traffic from requested sessions
- Inspects for "impersonated" traffic
- Creates network boundaries
- Can be configured manually to allow or deny certain traffic



#### Intrusion Prevention Systems: Operate at L3 – L7

- Inspects traffic for attacks
- Can be deployed in-line or out of band
- Can send alert or block suspicious traffic
- Differs from firewall in that it inspects allowed traffic for suspicious behavior



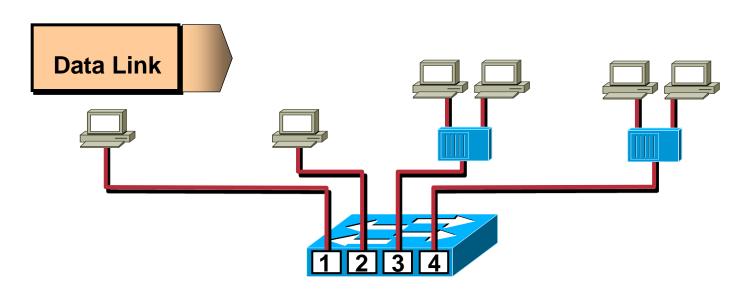


## **Network Devices:**

Where are these devices used in the network, and why?

#### **Switches**

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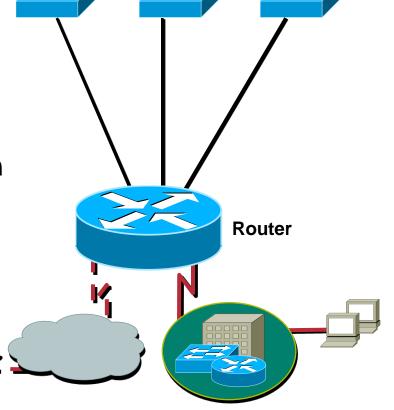


- Switches are used to directly connect devices to the network
- They replaced hubs which are obsolete technology
- Switches keep a table of all MAC address on the LAN
- Switches deliver Ethernet frames to the MAC address of the device

#### **Router Functions**

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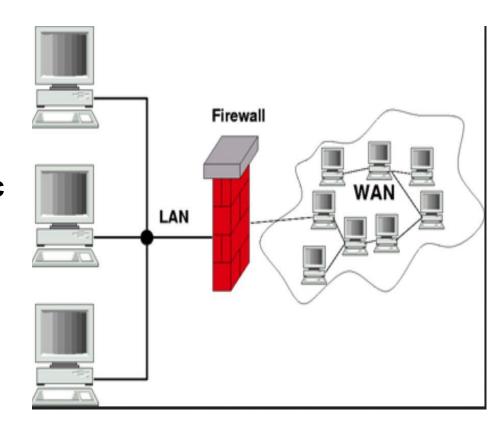
- Typically aggregate LAN switches
- Keep a table of how to reach networks, not individual hosts, allowing network scalability
- Do not forward broadcast frames which reduces LAN overhead
- Strip L2 frame, allowing connection of networks with different L2 technologies
- Calculate optimal path to reach remote networks



#### **Firewalls**

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- Create a border between networks
- Implement security policy of allowed or denied traffic
- Commonly found at Internet border, or datacenter border
- Can often inspect up to L7 application layer



#### Intrusion Prevention Systems

- Commonly deployed at Internet edge, or aggregation points in a campus
- Monitors traffic and alerts on suspicious behavior
- Inspects up to L7 application layer

