Chapter I Introduction

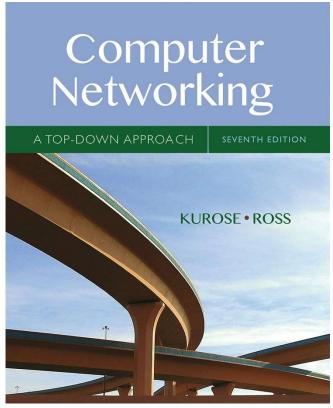
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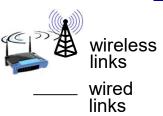
Computer Networking: A Top Down Approach

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What's the Internet: "nuts and bolts" view



- billions of connected computing devices:
 - hosts = end systems
 - running network apps

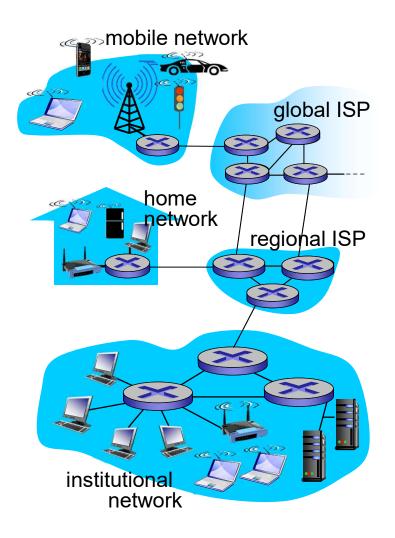


communication links

- fiber, copper, radio, satellite
- transmission rate: bandwidth



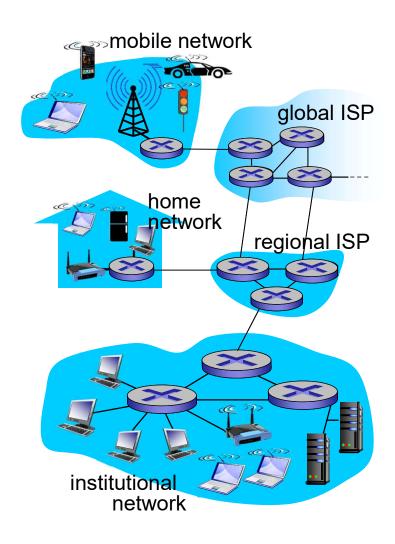
- packet switches: forward packets (chunks of data)
 - routers and switches



A closer look at network structure:

network edge:

- hosts: clients and servers
- servers often in data centers
- access networks, physical media: wired, wireless communication links
- network core:
 - interconnected routers
 - network of networks



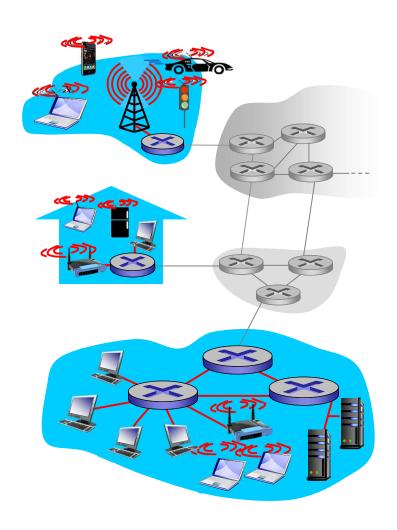
Access networks and physical media

Q: How to connect end systems to edge router?

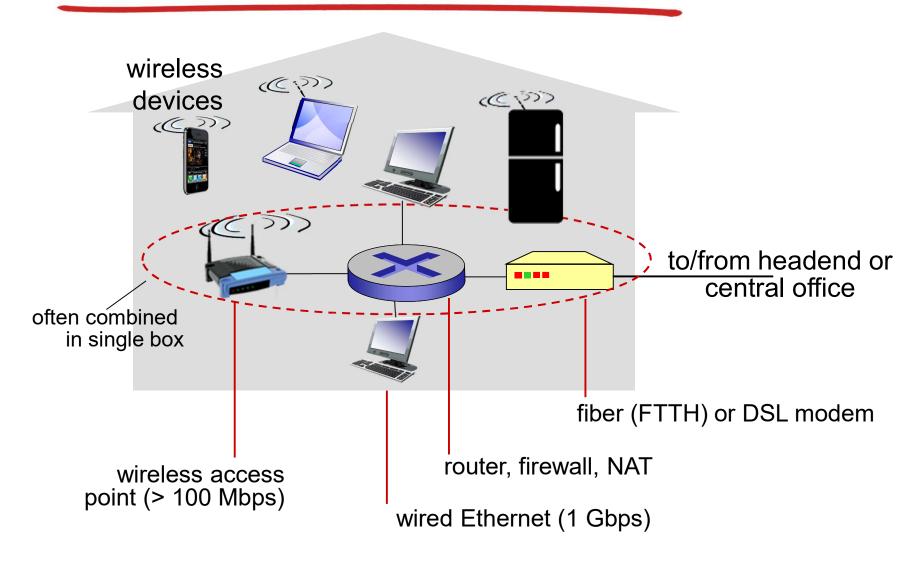
- residential access nets
- institutional access networks (school, company)
- mobile access networks

keep in mind:

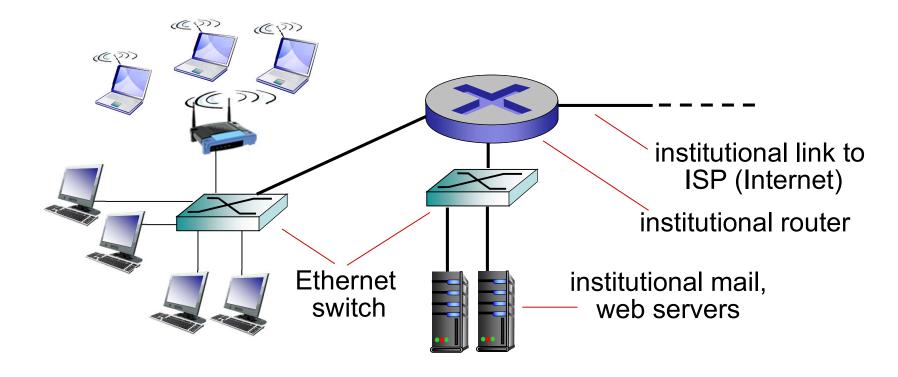
- bandwidth (bits per second) of access network?
- shared or dedicated?



Access network: home network



Enterprise access networks (Ethernet)



- typically used in companies, universities, etc.
- 10 Mbps, 100Mbps, 1Gbps, 10Gbps transmission rates
- today, end systems typically connect into Ethernet switch

Wireless access networks

- shared wireless access network connects end system to router
 - via base station aka "access point"

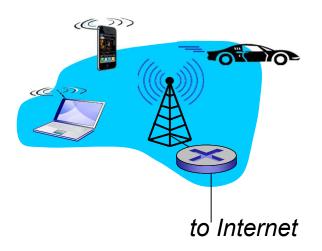
wireless LANs:

- within building (100 ft.)
- 802.1 lb/g/n/ac/ax (WiFi)



wide-area wireless access

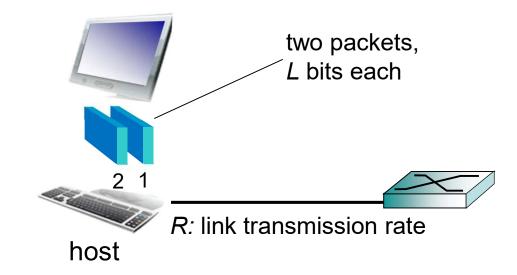
- provided by telco (cellular) operator, 10's km
- between I Mbps and I Gbps
- 3G, 4G (LTE), 5G



Host: sends packets of data

host sending function:

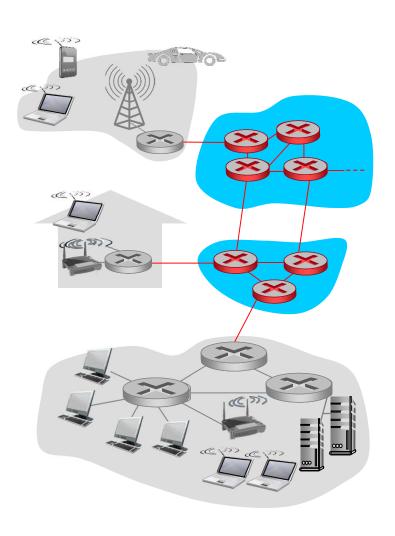
- takes application message
- breaks into smaller chunks, known as packets, of length L bits
- transmits packet into access network at transmission rate R
 - link transmission rate, aka link capacity, aka link bandwidth



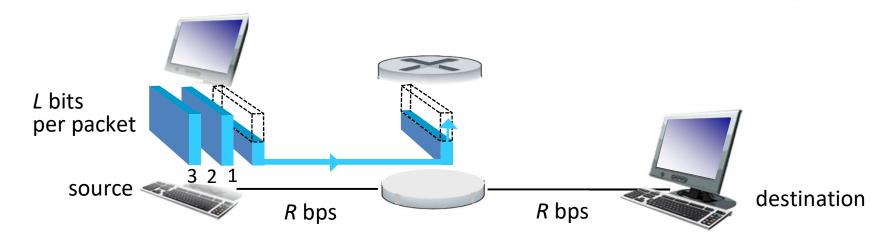
transmission delay time needed to transmit
$$L$$
-bit packet into link $= \frac{L \text{ (bits)}}{R \text{ (bits/sec)}}$

The network core

- mesh of interconnected routers
- packet-switching: hosts break application-layer messages into packets
 - forward packets from one router to the next, across links on path from source to destination
 - each packet transmitted at full link capacity



Packet-switching: store-and-forward



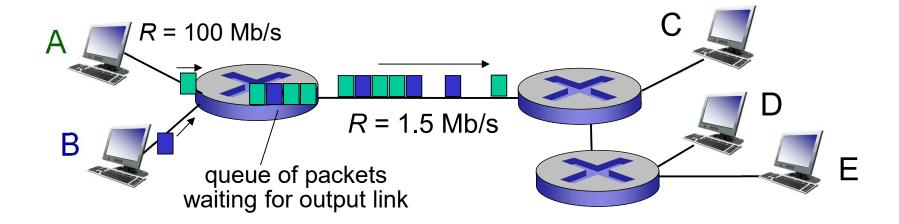
- takes L/R seconds to transmit (push out) L-bit packet into link at R bps
- store and forward: entire packet must arrive at router before it can be transmitted on next link
- end-end delay = 2L/R (assuming zero propagation delay)

one-hop numerical example:

- L = 7.5 Mbits
- *R* = 1.5 Mbps
- one-hop transmission delay = 5 sec

more on delay shortly ...

Packet Switching: queueing delay, loss



queuing and loss:

- if arrival rate (in bits) to link exceeds transmission rate of link for a period of time:
 - packets will queue, wait to be transmitted on link
 - packets can be dropped (lost) if memory (buffer) fills up

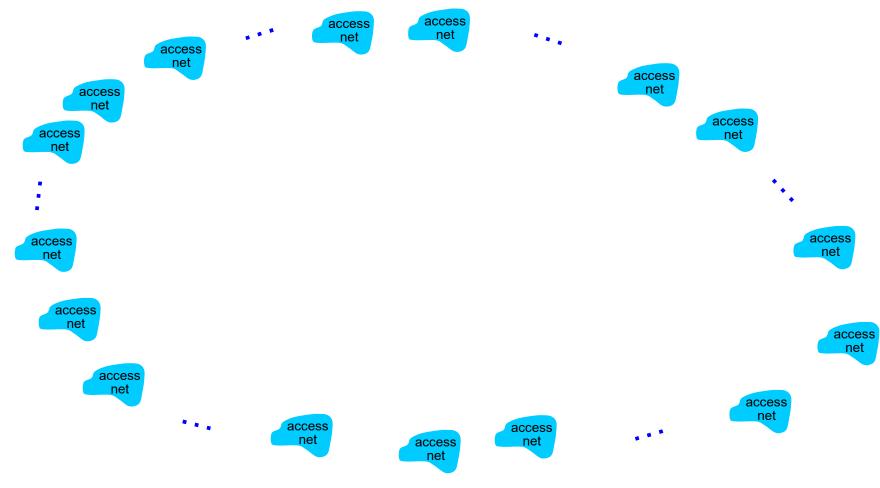
Two key network-core functions

routing: determines sourcedestination route taken by forwarding: move packets from packets router's input to appropriate routing algorithms router output routing algorithm local forwarding table header value output link 0100 3 0101 0111 1001 destination address in arriving packet's header

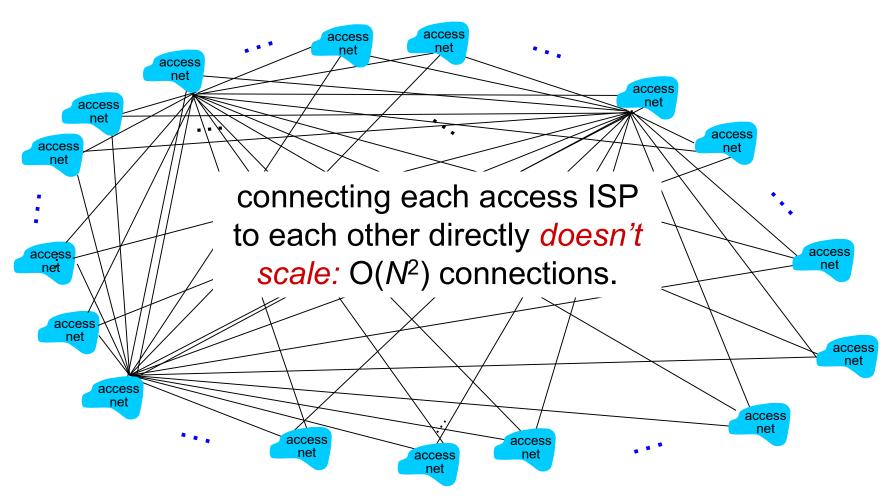
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- End systems connect to Internet via access ISPs (Internet Service Providers)
 - residential, company and university ISPs
- Access ISPs in turn must be interconnected.
 - so that any two hosts can send packets to each other
- Resulting network of networks is very complex
 - evolution was driven by economics and national policies
- Let's take a stepwise approach to describe current Internet structure

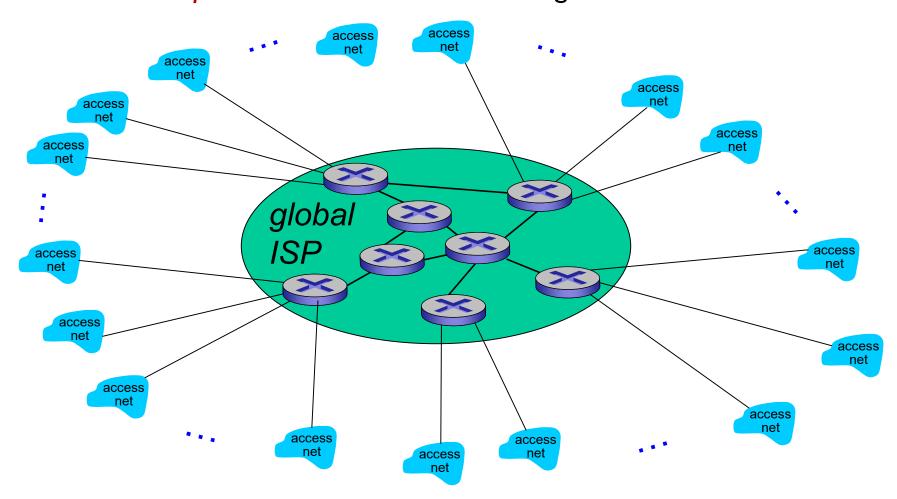
Question: given millions of access ISPs, how to connect them together?



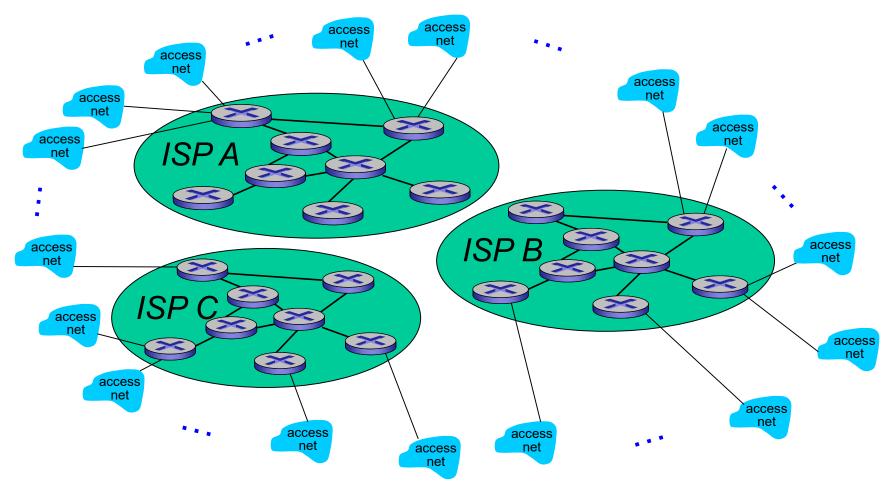
Option: connect each access ISP to every other access ISP?



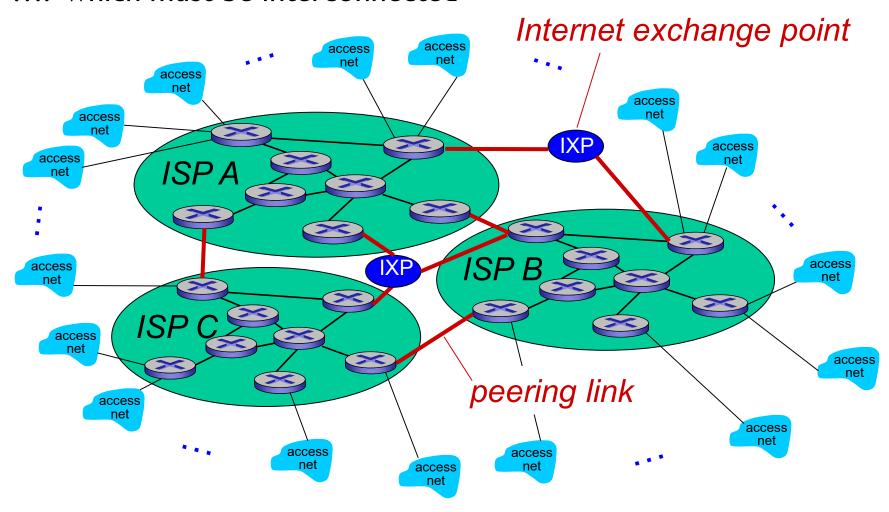
Option: connect each access ISP to one global transit ISP? Customer and provider ISPs have economic agreement.



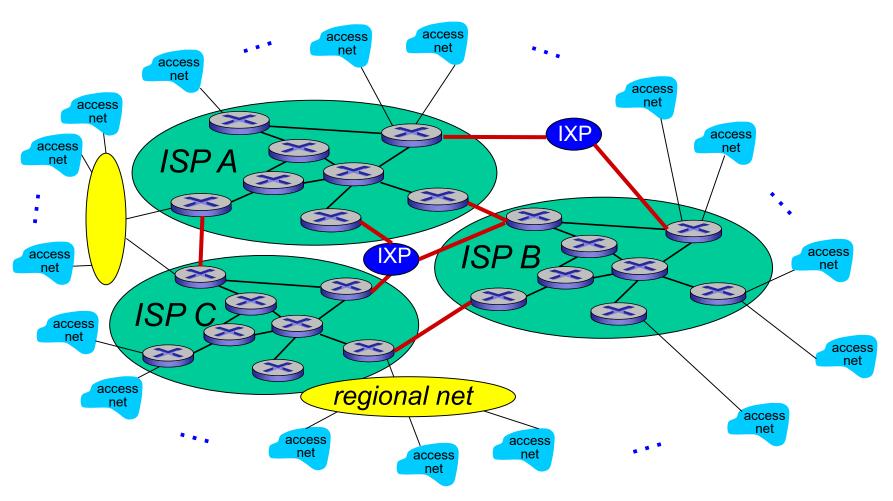
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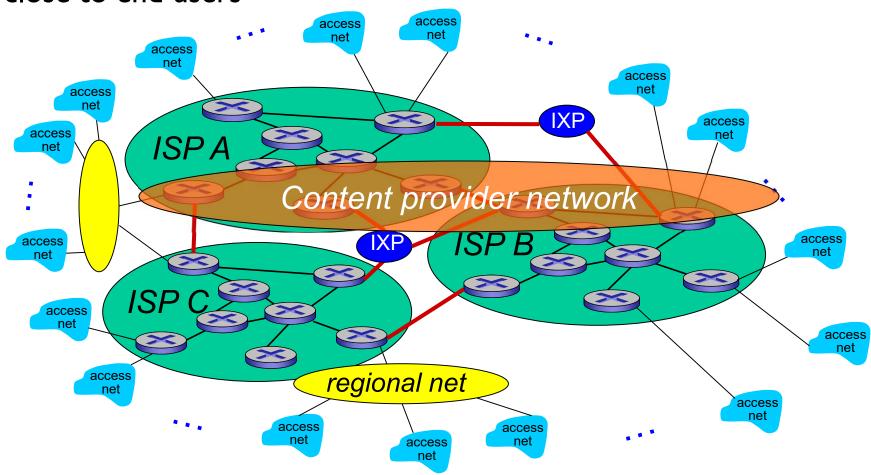
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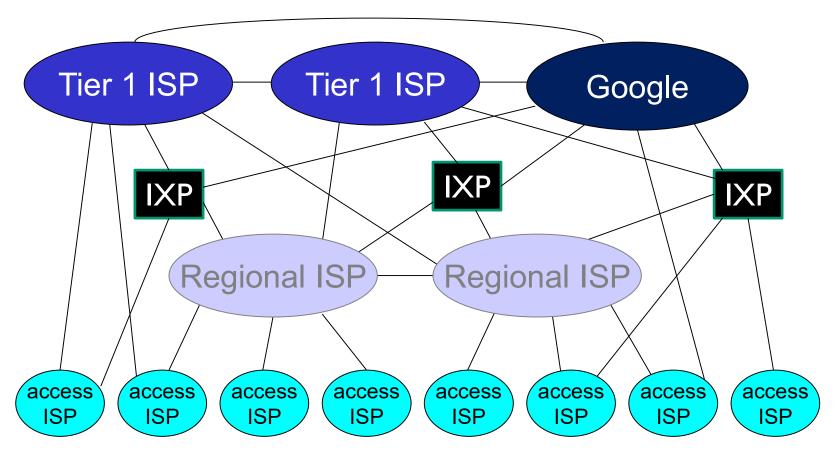


... and regional networks may arise to connect access nets to ISPs



... and content provider networks (e.g., Google, Microsoft, Akamai) may run their own network, to bring services, content close to end users



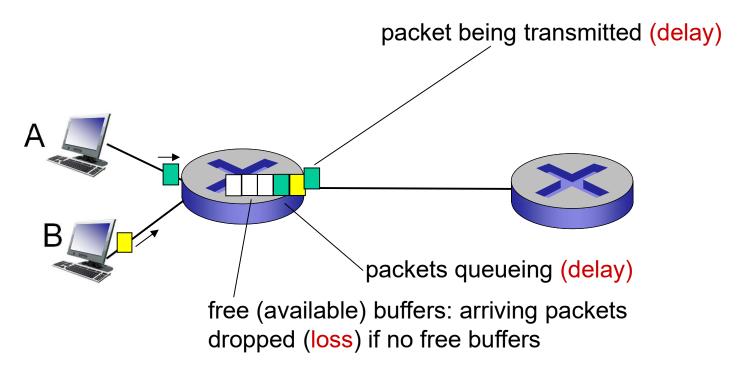


- at center: small # of well-connected large networks
 - "tier-I" commercial ISPs (e.g., Level 3, Sprint, AT&T, NTT), national & international coverage
 - content provider network (e.g., Google): private network that connects it data centers to Internet, often bypassing tier-I, regional ISPs Introduction 1-21

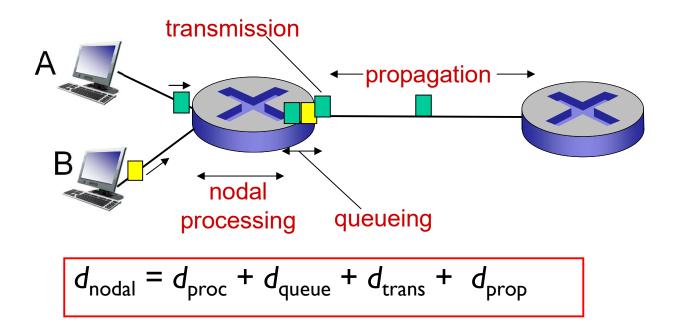
How do loss and delay occur?

packets queue in router buffers

- packet arrival rate to link (temporarily) exceeds output link capacity
- packets queue, wait for turn



Four sources of packet delay



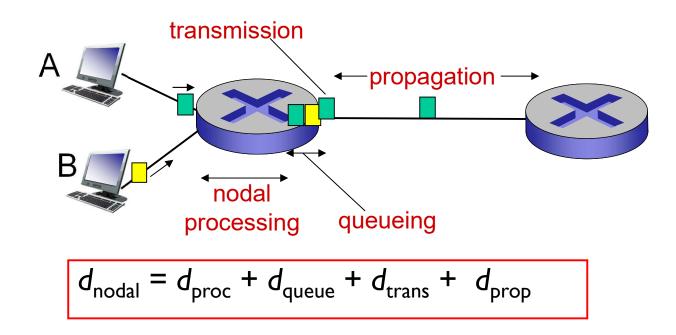
d_{proc} : nodal processing

- check bit errors
- determine output link
- typically < msec</p>

d_{queue}: queueing delay

- time waiting at output link for transmission
- depends on congestion level of router

Four sources of packet delay



d_{trans} : transmission delay:

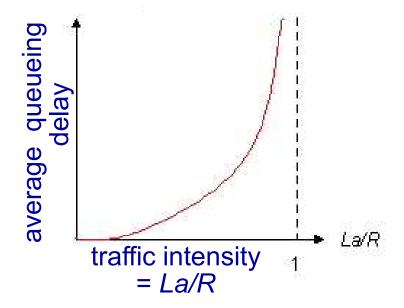
- L: packet length (bits)
- R: link bandwidth (bps)
- $d_{trans} = L/R \leftarrow d_{trans}$ and $d_{prop} \rightarrow d_{prop} = d/s$ very different

d_{prop} : propagation delay:

- d: length of physical link
- s: propagation speed (~2×10⁸ m/sec)
- * Check out the online interactive exercises for more examples: http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/kurose_ross/interactive/
- * Check out the Java applet for an interactive animation on trans vs. prop delay

Queueing delay (revisited)

- R: link bandwidth (bps)
- L: packet length (bits)
- a: average packet arrival rate



- La/R ~ 0: avg. queueing delay small
- La/R -> I: avg. queueing delay large
- La/R > I: more "work" arriving than can be serviced, average delay infinite!

La/R -> 1

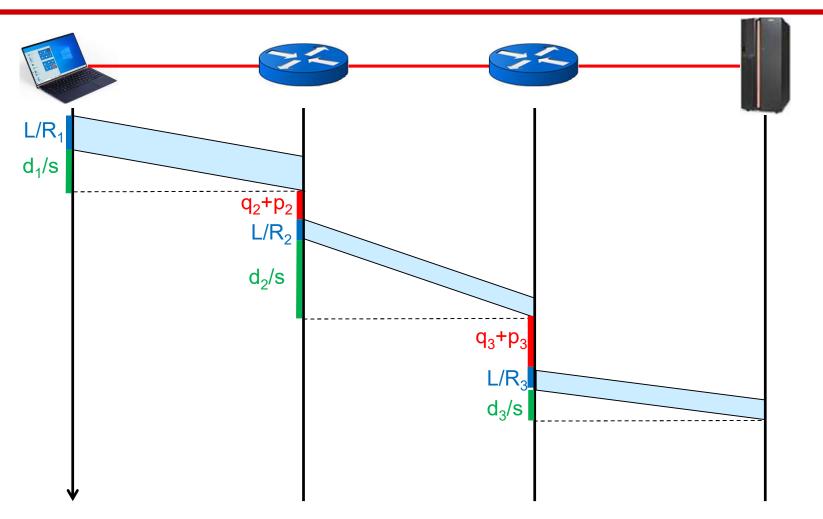
 $La/R \sim 0$

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^{*} Check online interactive animation on queuing and loss



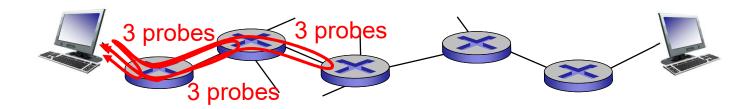
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"Real" Internet delays and routes

- what do "real" Internet delay & loss look like?
- traceroute program: provides delay measurement from source to router along endend Internet path towards destination. For all i:
 - sends three packets that will reach router i on path towards destination
 - router *i* will return packets to sender
 - sender times interval between transmission and reply.



"Real" Internet delays, routes

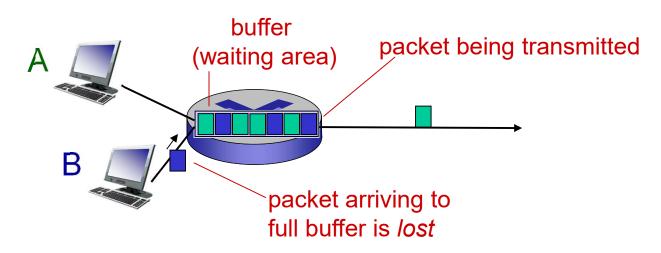
traceroute: gaia.cs.umass.edu to www.eurecom.fr

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3 delay measurements from
                                                 gaia.cs.umass.edu to cs-gw.cs.umass.edu
1 cs-gw (128.119.240.254) 1 ms 1 ms 2 ms
2 border1-rt-fa5-1-0.gw.umass.edu (128.119.3.145) 1 ms 1 ms 2 ms
3 cht-vbns.gw.umass.edu (128.119.3.130) 6 ms 5 ms 5 ms
4 jn1-at1-0-0-19.wor.vbns.net (204.147.132.129) 16 ms 11 ms 13 ms 5 jn1-so7-0-0.wae.vbns.net (204.147.136.136) 21 ms 18 ms 18 ms
6 abilene-vbns.abilene.ucaid.edu (198.32.11.9) 22 ms 18 ms 22 ms
7 nycm-wash.abilene.ucaid.edu (198.32.8.46) 22 ms 22 ms 22 ms
                                                                                trans-oceanic
8 62.40.103.253 (62.40.103.253) 104 ms 109 ms 106 ms
                                                                                 link
9 de2-1.de1.de.geant.net (62.40.96.129) 109 ms 102 ms 104 ms
10 de.fr1.fr.geant.net (62.40.96.50) 113 ms 121 ms 114 ms 11 renater-gw.fr1.fr.geant.net (62.40.103.54) 112 ms 114 ms 112 ms 12 nio-n2.cssi.renater.fr (193.51.206.13) 111 ms 114 ms 116 ms 13 nice.cssi.renater.fr (195.220.98.102) 123 ms 125 ms 124 ms
14 r3t2-nice.cssi.renater.fr (195.220.98.110) 126 ms 126 ms 124 ms
15 eurecom-valbonne.r3t2.ft.net (193.48.50.54) 135 ms 128 ms 133 ms
16 194.214.211.25 (194.214.211.25) 126 ms 128 ms 126 ms
                       * means no response (probe lost, router not replying)
19 fantasia.eurecom.fr (193.55.113.142) 132 ms 128 ms 136 ms
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^{*} Do some traceroutes from exotic countries at www.traceroute.org

Packet loss

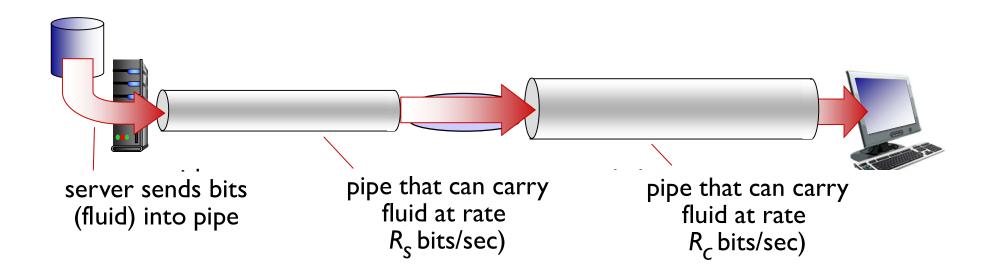
- queue (aka buffer) preceding link in buffer has finite capacity
- packet arriving to full queue dropped (aka lost)
- lost packet may be retransmitted by previous node, by source end system, or not at all



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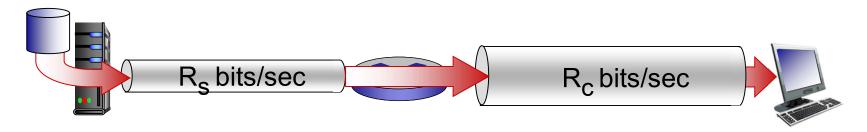
Throughput

- throughput: rate (bits/time unit) at which bits transferred between sender/receiver
 - instantaneous: rate at given point in time
 - average: rate over longer period of time

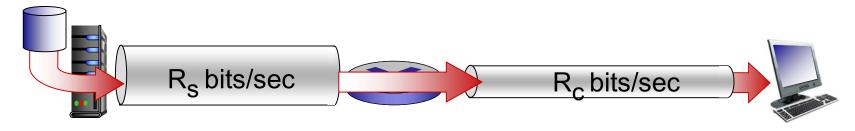


Throughput (more)

• $R_s < R_c$ What is average end-end throughput?



• $R_s > R_c$ What is average end-end throughput?

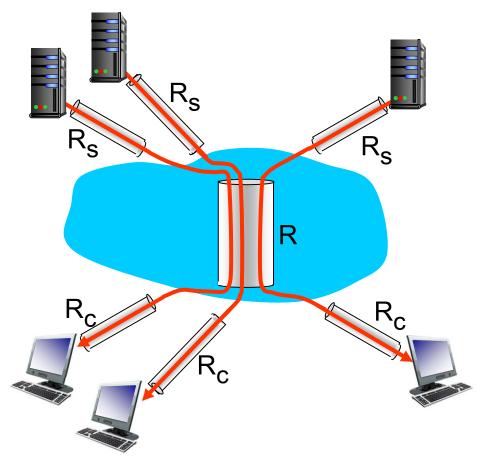


bottleneck link

link on end-end path that constrains end-end throughput

Throughput: Internet scenario

- per-connection endend throughput: $min(R_{c}R_{s},R/I0)$
- in practice: R_c or R_s
 is often bottleneck



10 connections (fairly) share backbone bottleneck link *R* bits/sec

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Protocol "layers"

Networks are complex, with many "pieces":

- hosts
- routers
- links of various media
- applications
- protocols
- hardware, software

Question:

is there any hope of organizing structure of network?

.... or at least our discussion of networks?

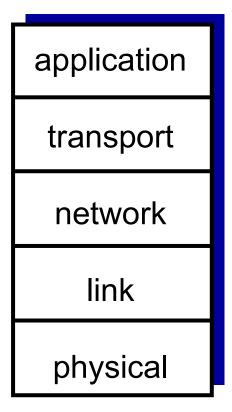
Why layering?

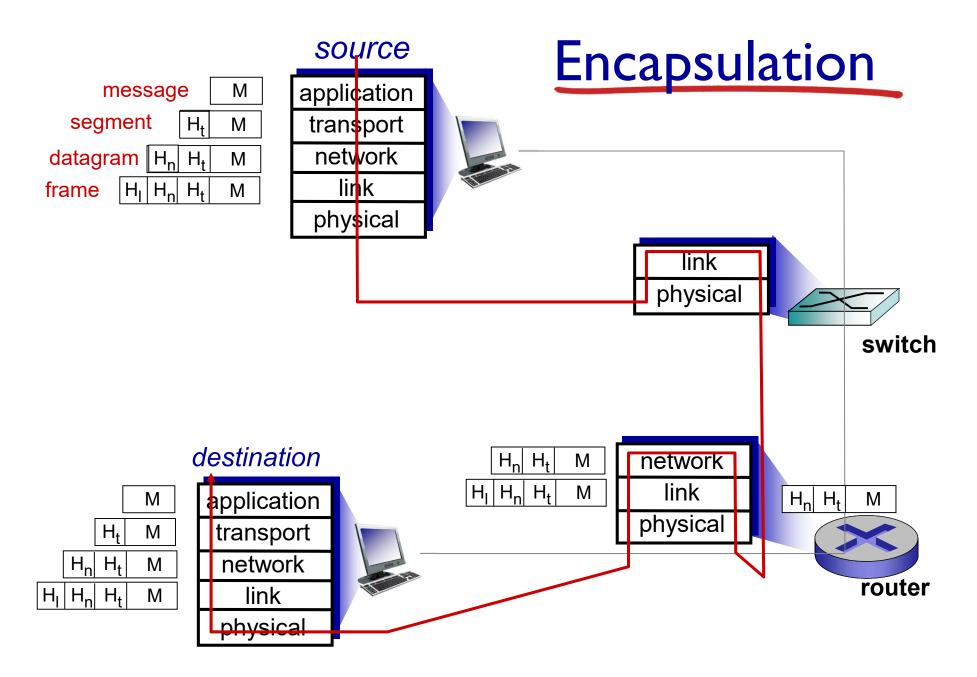
dealing with complex systems:

- explicit structure allows identification, relationship of complex system's pieces
 - layered reference model for discussion
- modularization eases maintenance, updating of system
 - change of implementation of layer's service transparent to rest of system
 - e.g., change in gate procedure doesn't affect rest of system
- layering considered harmful?

Internet protocol stack

- application: supporting network applications
 - FTP, SMTP, HTTP
- transport: process-process data transfer
 - TCP, UDP
- network: routing of datagrams from source to destination
 - IP, routing protocols
- link: data transfer between neighboring network elements
 - Ethernet, 802.111 (WiFi), PPP
- physical: bits "on the wire"





Introduction: summary

covered a "ton" of material!

- Internet overview
- what's a protocol?
- network edge, core, access network
- Internet structure
- performance: loss, delay, throughput
- layering, service models

you now have:

- context, overview, "feel" of networking
- more depth, detail to follow!