The OSI Model

What is it?

The Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) Reference Model

- A conceptual framework showing us how data moves throughout a network.
- Developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in 1977.

It's Purpose

Gives us a guide to understanding how networks operate.

It's only a **reference model**, so don't get wrapped up in the details.

Wasn't implemented in the real world, TCP/IP is.

The OSI Model Stack

The OSI Model breaks down the complex task of computer-to-computer network communications into seven layers.

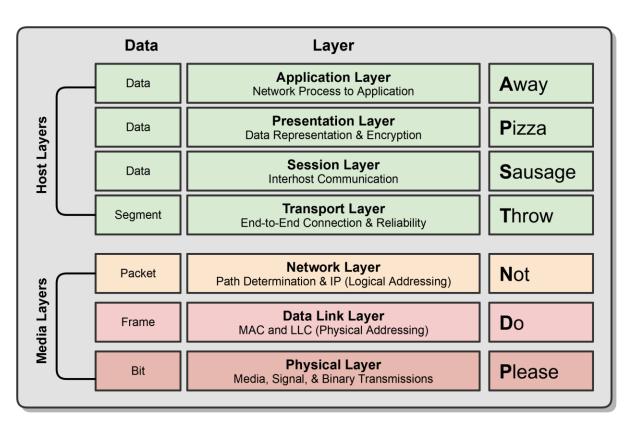
Upper Layers (Host Layers)

 Handled by the host computer and performs application-specific functions, such as data formatting, encryption, and connection management.

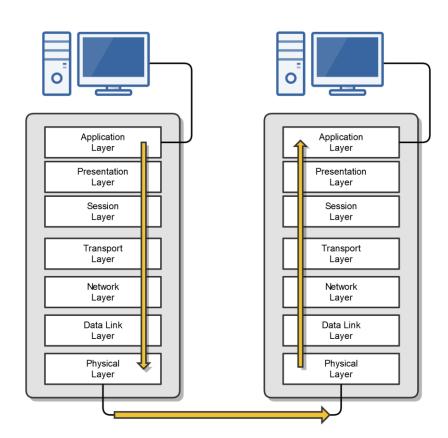
Lower Layers (Media Layers)

 Provide network-specific functions, such as routing, addressing, and flow control.

The OSI Model Visualized

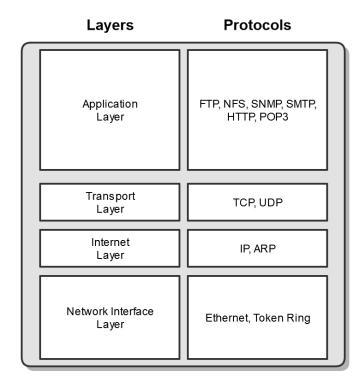


OSI Communication

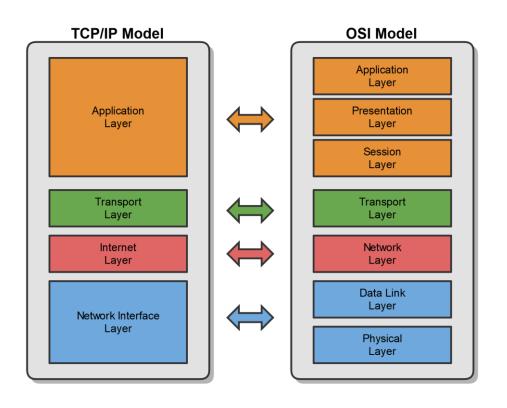


The TCP/IP Model

- The TCP/IP suite is the most commonly used protocol suite in the networking world.
- It's essentially the protocol suite in which the Internet was built.
- It's the standard for computer networking.
- It is based on a 4-layer model that is similar to the OSI model.
- History of TCP/IP:
 - o Developed by the United States Department of Defense (DoD) in the early 1970s.
 - o In 1982, the DOD declared TCP/IP as the standard for all military computer networking.
 - In 1984, broad adoption of TCP/IP began (IBM, AT&T, etc.).



TCP/IP & OSI Models Side-by-Side



MAC Addresses

Media Access Control (MAC)

- Physical address of the network adapter card
- OSI Layer 2 (Data Link) Layer Address
- TCP/IP Layer 1 (Network Interface) Layer Address



Six bytes (48 bits), Usually Represented Hexadecimal

- First three bytes (24 bits) are assigned by the IEEE to the manufacturer
 - Organizationally Unique Identifier (OUI) assigned by IEEE (ex: Dell or HP)
- Last three bytes (24 bits) are usually assigned sequentially:
 - Unique Numbers

00:21:70:6f:06:f2

00-21-70-6F-06-F2

2²⁴ = ~16.7 Million Unique Addresses

IP Addresses

- An IP Address is a logical address used in order to uniquely identify a device on an IP network.
- It's a Network Layer address associated with routing.
 - OSI Layer 3: Network Layer
 - TCP/IP Layer 2: Internet Layer
- There are two versions:
 - IP version 4 (IPv4)
 - Example: 192.168.0.1
 - IP version 6 (IPv6)
 - Example: 2001:DB8:85A3:0:0:8A2E:370:7334
- We'll be discussing both versions in this course.

Comparing IP and MAC Addresses

IP Addresses

- Network (OSI Layer 3) Addresses
- Logical Addresses
- Assigned in Operating System
- Allows network-to-network communication via routers
- WAN communication

MAC Addresses

- Data Link (OSI Layer 2) Addresses
- Physical Addresses
- Physically burned on NIC
- Allows internetwork communication via hubs, switches, and routers
- Local LAN communication

Half vs. Full Duplex Communication

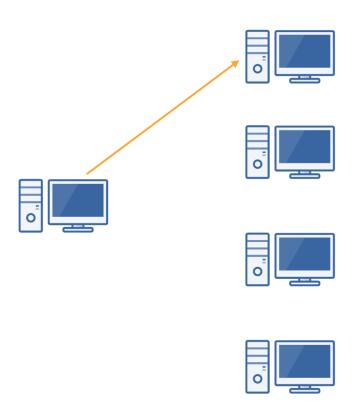


- Network communication will occur in either full or half duplex mode:
 - Half Duplex: Can send and receive data, but not at the same time.
 - Full Duplex: Can send and receive data simultaneously.

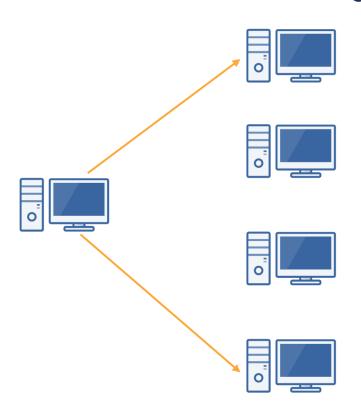
Network Transmission Types

- Unicast
- Multicast
- Broadcast

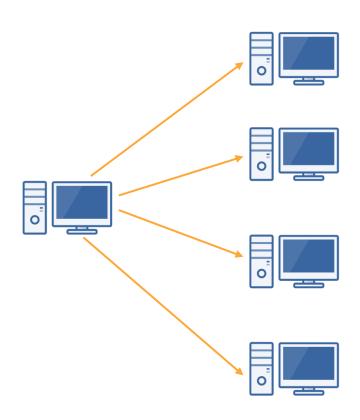
Unicast (One-to-One)



Multicast (One-to-Many)



Broadcast (One-to-All)



Introduction to Ethernet

- The most popular networking technology in the world!
- Refers to a family of standards that define the physical and logical aspects of the world's most popular type of LAN.
- The standard communications protocol for building a local area network (LAN).

Physical

o Cabling, Connectors, Equipment, etc.

Logical

Network Access Method, i.e., Carrier Sense Multiple Access (CSMA)