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# Computer Network Architecture

ECE 156 Fall 2007

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# Course Logistics

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- Timings: Tu/Thu 1:15pm to 2:30pm
  - Location: 212 Engineering
  - Course TA: TBA
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- Instructor: Romit Roy Choudhury
    - New faculty in ECE & CS.
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    - and visit me at 203 Hudson Hall

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- Prerequisite: ECE 52

Else, come and talk to me

- Further courses:

- ECE 256 (previously 299.02):

Wireless Networking and Mobile Computing

- Spring 2008

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- Class broadcast email:

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- Course Website:

<http://www.ee.duke.edu/~romit/courses/f07/ece156-f07-networking.html>

- Most course related information will be posted on the website
- Please check the course website frequently

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## ■ Make up classes

- Will be occasionally necessary due to travel
- Would like to schedule on a case by case basis

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## ■ Grading:

- Participation/Presentation: 10%
- Homework: 20%
- Programming Assignments: 20%
- 1 mid-term exam: 20%
- Final exam: 30%
  
- Programming project may be in groups of 2
- One of the exams is likely to be open book

# Finally

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## ■ Academic honesty

- Please please please ...
- A few points is not worth a tarnished career
- In the long run, GPA does not matter as much as you think it does

## ■ More importantly

- Let's not make the CNN headlines for the wrong reasons anymore

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## Course Summary (Very Briefly)

# Course information

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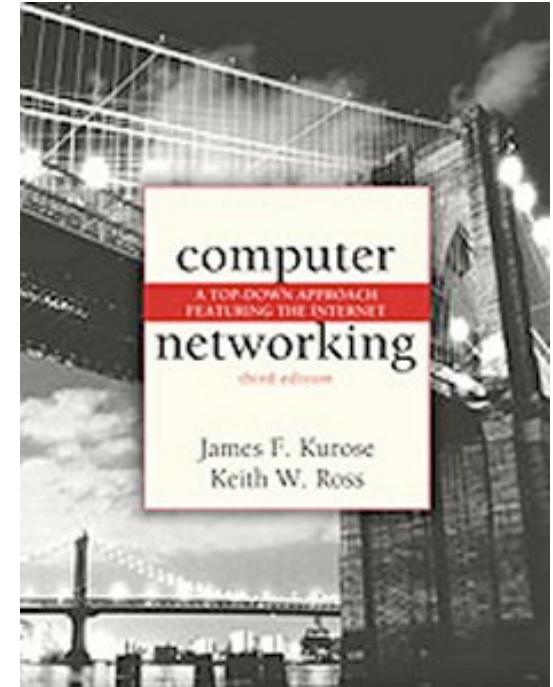
## □ Course materials:

### ❖ Text:

Computer Networking: A Top Down Approach  
Featuring the Internet, J. Kurose & K. Ross,  
Addison Wesley, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., 2005

### ❖ Class notes

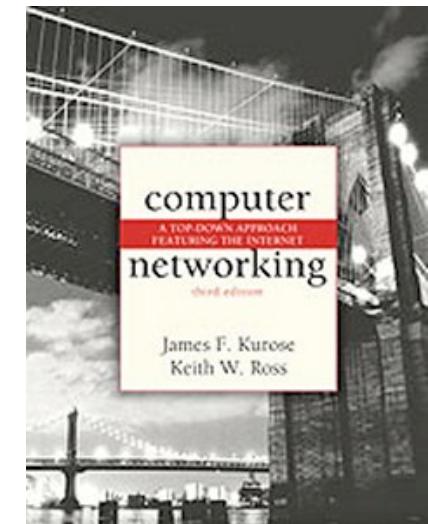
### ❖ Some supplementary reading material



# What is this course about?

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- *Introductory* (first) course in computer networking
  - Undergrads, early MS students
  
- learn **principles** of computer networking
- learn **practice** of computer networking
- Internet architecture/protocols as case study
- Real wireless networks as case studies
- Intro to next generation networking



# Course information

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- By the time you are finished ...
  - You understand variety of concepts (not just factoids)
  - Internet, HTTP, DNS, P2P, ...
  - Sockets, Ports, ...
  - Congestion Control, Flow Control, TCP, ...
  - Routing, Basic Graphs, Djikstra's Algorithm, IP, ...
  - DSL Vs Cable, Aloha, CSMA, TDMA, Token, 802.11, ...
  - Security, RSA, ...
  - Cellular Networks, Mobile Networks, Satellite Networks, ...
  - Wireless Multihop Networks (ad hoc, mesh, WLANs)
  - Sensor Networks

If you understand 75% of these terms, you shouldn't be here

# What this Course Does Not Cover

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- Not a “communications” course
- Does not cover
  - Modulation schemes
  - Transmitter/Receiver design
  - Signal processing and antenna design
  - Etc.

- This is course on
  - Understanding, analysing, and (perhaps) designing of protocols and algorithms in wired/wireless networking systems

# What's the difference between

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Communications  
And  
Networking Systems

# Finally

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- I cannot / will not / should not be speaking alone in class
  - Questions
  - Comments
  - Disagreements
  - Debates ... are highly encouraged
- This course can be real fun
- Whether it will be ...
  - Is up to you and me

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Hello!  
I am ECE 156



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## Acknowledgments:

Many slides borrowed from Jim Kurose (UMass)

# On the Shoulders of Giants

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- 1961: Leonard Kleinrock published a work on packet switching
- 1962: J. Licklider described a worldwide network of computers called Galactic Network
- 1965: Larry Roberts designed the ARPANET that communicated over long distance links
- 1971: Ray Tomilson invents email at BBN
- 1972: Bob Kahn and Vint Cerf invented TCP for reliable packet transport

## On the Shoulders of Giants ...

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- 1973: David Clark, Bob Metcalfe implemented TCP and designed ethernet at Xerox PARC
- 1975: Paul Mockapetris developed DNS system for host lookup
- 1980: Radia Perlman invented spanning tree algorithm for bridging separate networks
- Things snowballed from there on ...

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What we have today is beyond any of the inventors' imagination ...

And YOU are here



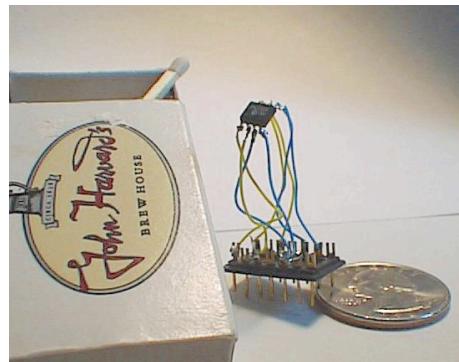
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And by “YOU” I mean ...

# “Cool” internet appliances



IP picture frame  
<http://www.ceiva.com/>



World's smallest web server  
<http://www-ccs.cs.umass.edu/~shri/iPic.html>



Web-enabled toaster +  
weather forecaster



Internet phones

# And Of Course YOU and ME ...

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# InterNetwork

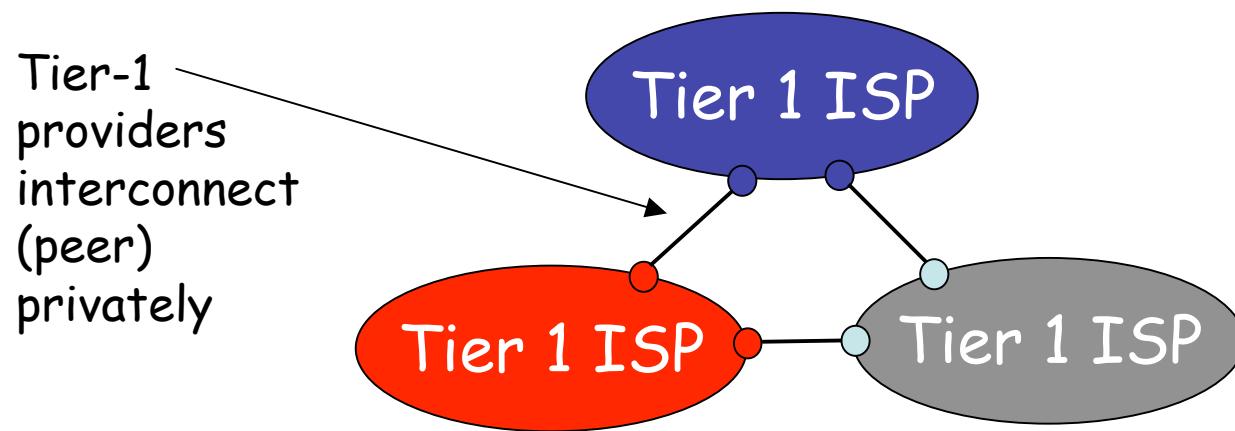
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- Millions of end points (you, me, and toasters) are connected over a network
  - Many end points can be addressed by numbers
  - Many others lie behind a virtual end point
- Many networks form a bigger network
- The overall structure called the Internet
  - With a capital I
  - Defined as the network of networks

## Internet structure: network of networks

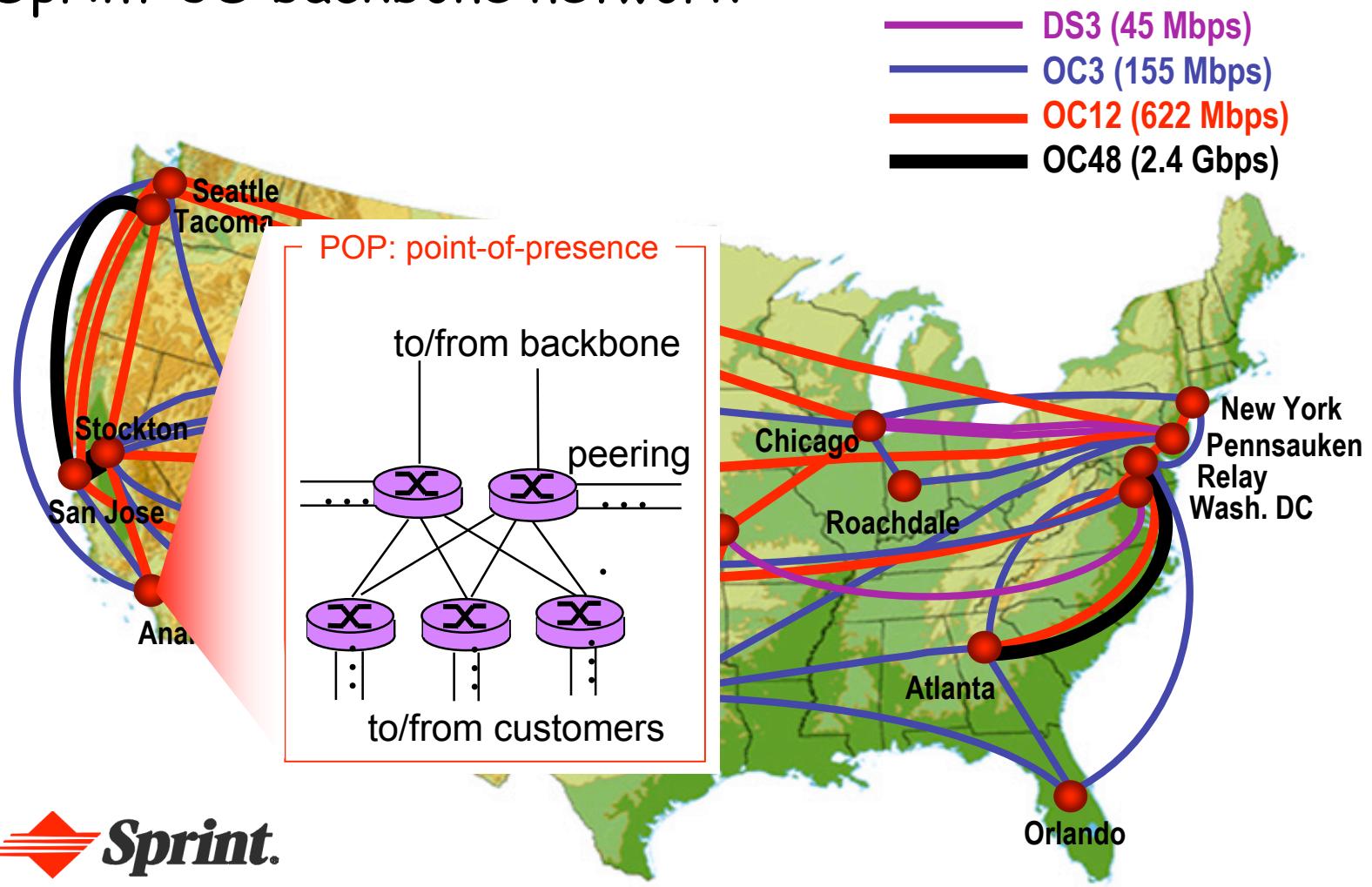
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- roughly hierarchical
- at center: “tier-1” ISPs (e.g., MCI, Sprint, AT&T, Cable and Wireless), national/international coverage
  - treat each other as equals



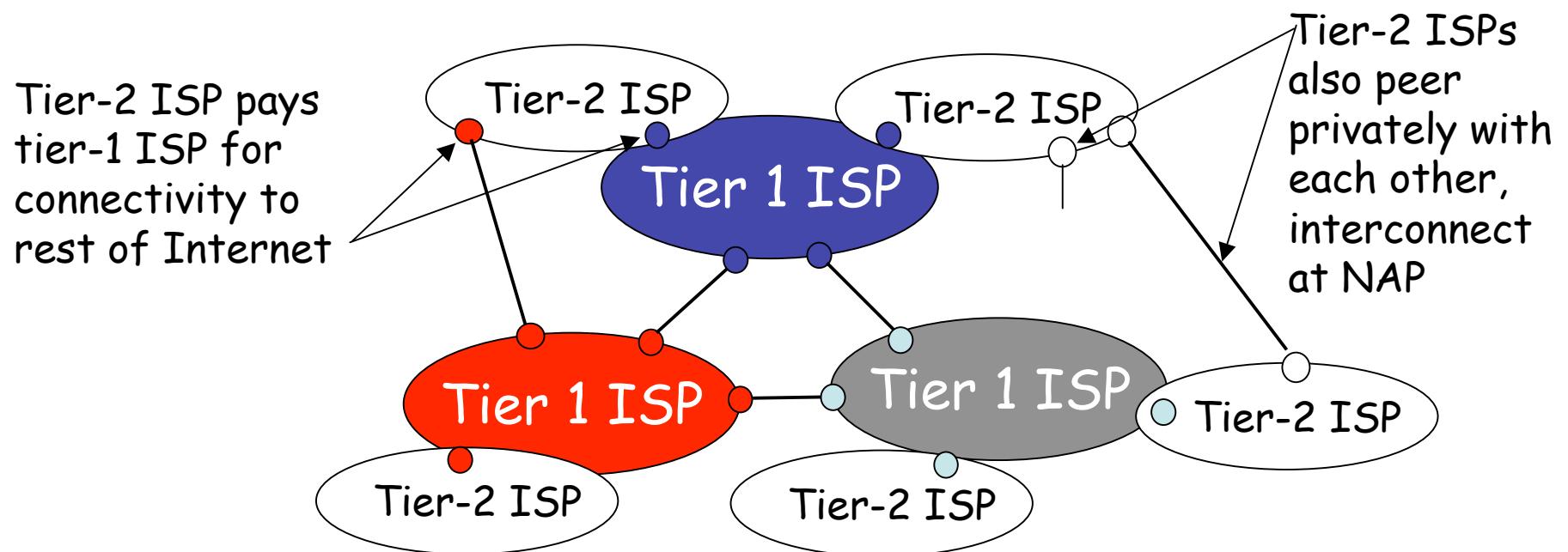
# Tier-1 ISP: e.g., Sprint

Sprint US backbone network



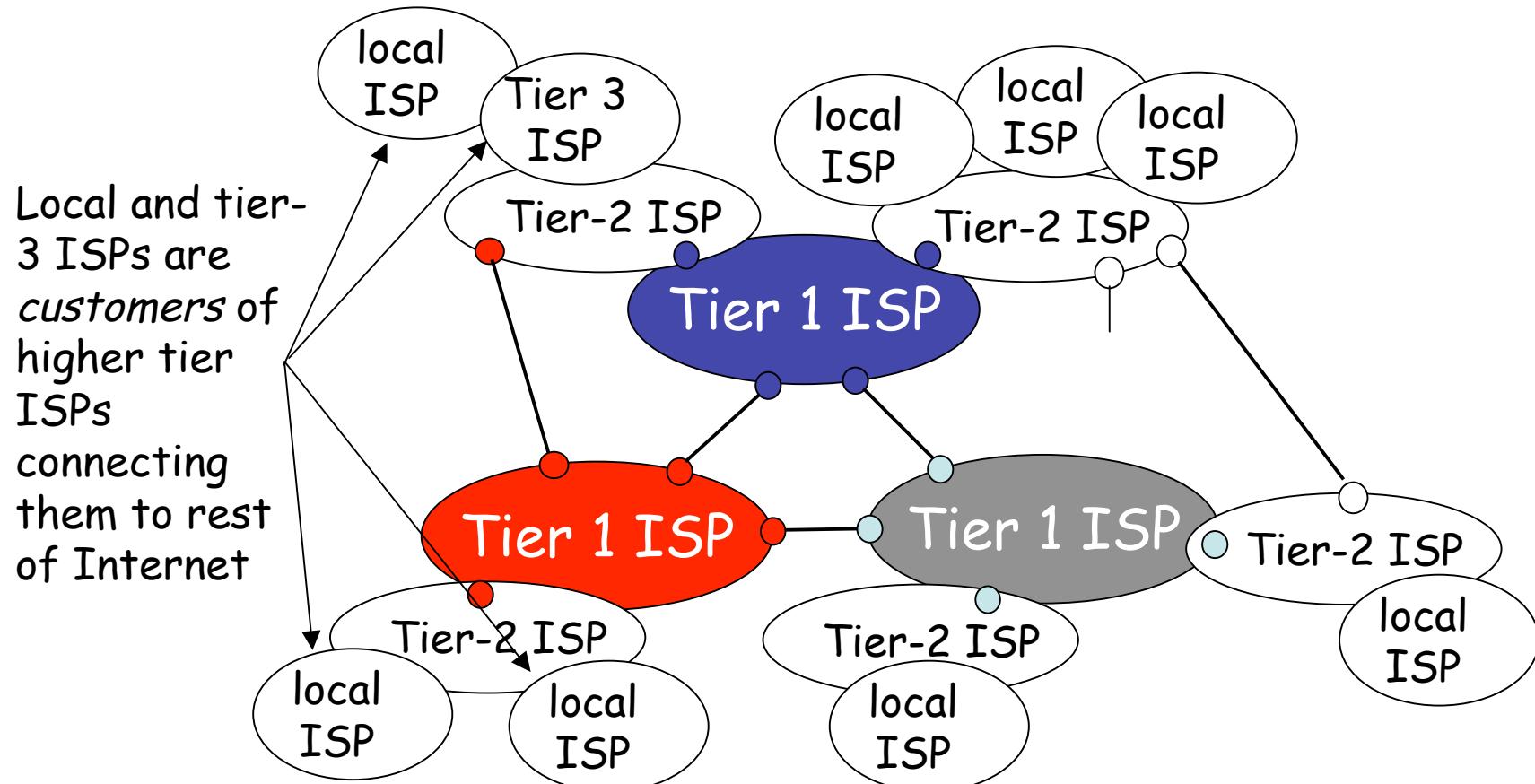
# Internet structure: network of networks

- “Tier-2” ISPs: smaller (often regional) ISPs
    - Connect to one or more tier-1 ISPs, possibly other tier-2 ISPs
  - France telecome, Tiscali, etc. buys from Sprint



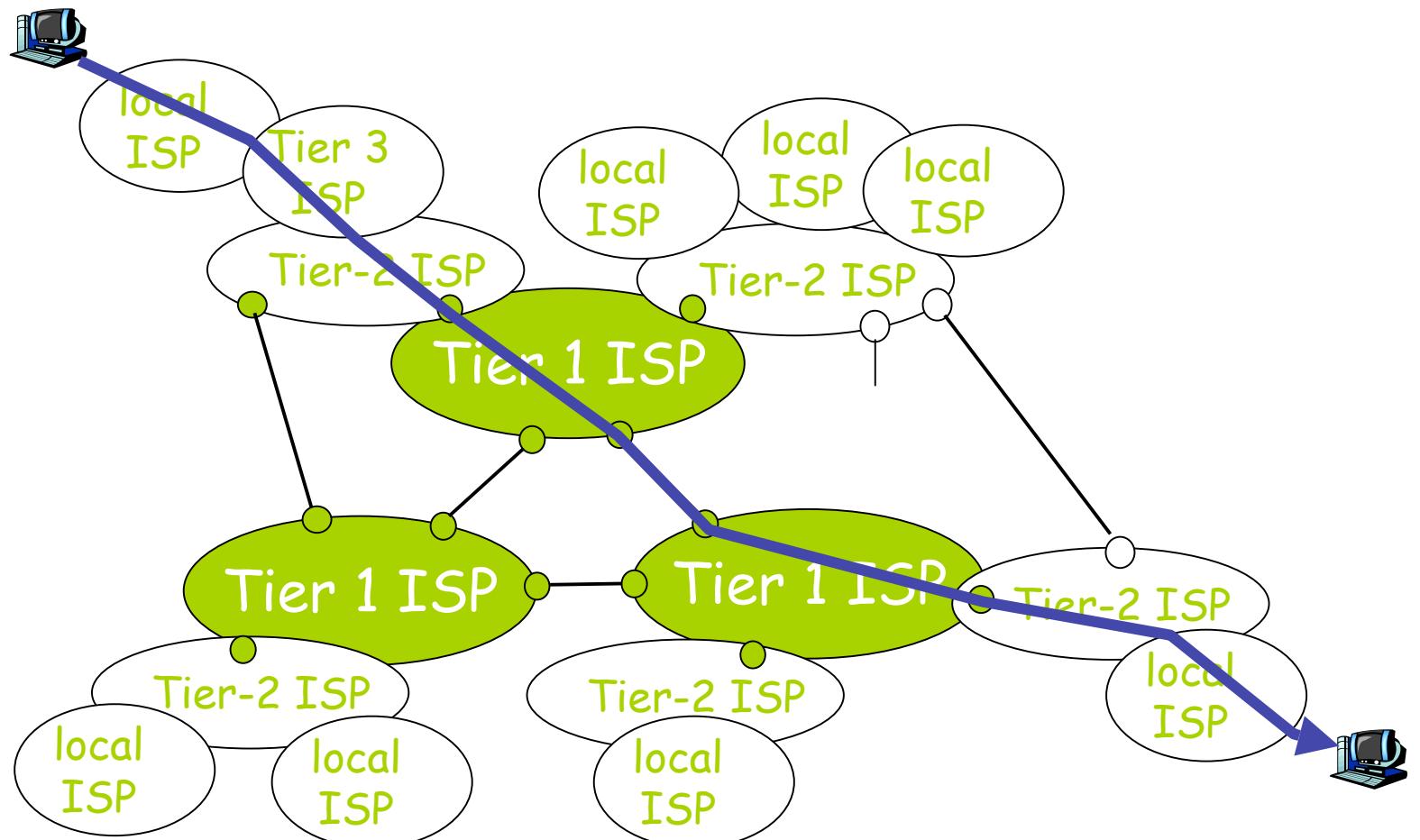
# Internet structure: network of networks

- “Tier-3” ISPs and local ISPs (Time Warner, Earthlink, etc.)
  - last hop (“access”) network (closest to end systems)



# Internet structure: network of networks

- a packet passes through many networks!
  - Local ISP (taxi) -> T1 (bus) -> T2 (domestic) -> T3 (international)



# Organizing the giant structure

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Networks are complex!

- 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?

## Turn to analogies in air travel

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ticket (purchase)

baggage (check)

gates (load)

runway takeoff

airplane routing

ticket (complain)

baggage (claim)

gates (unload)

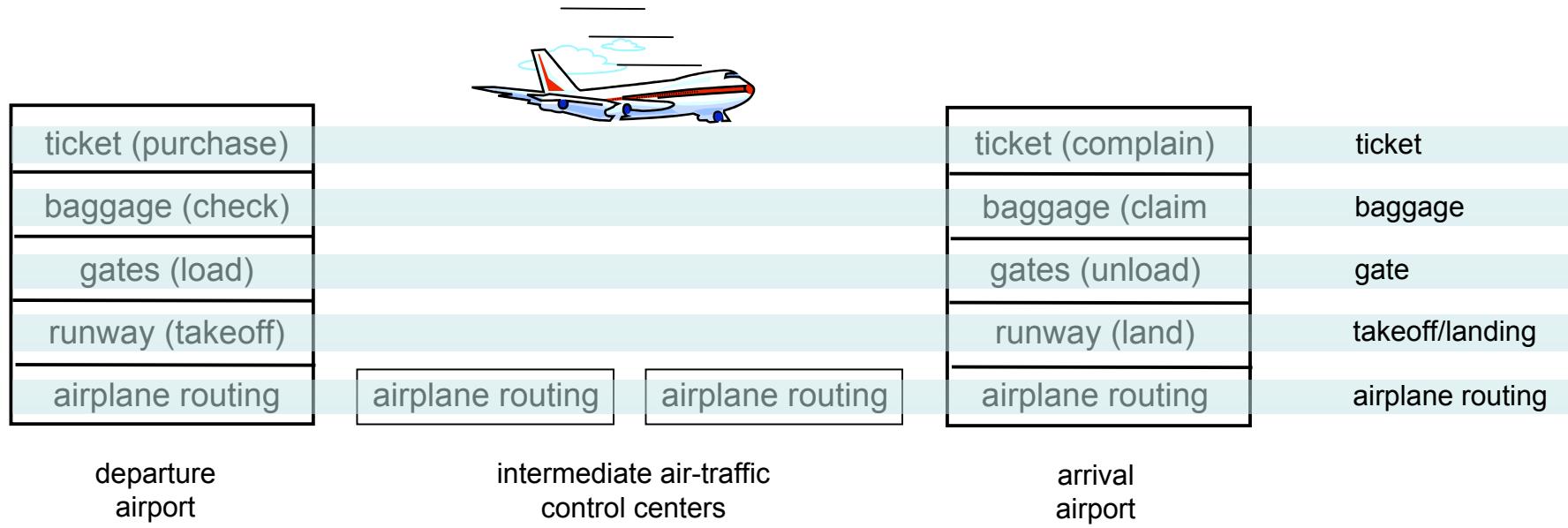
runway landing

airplane routing

airplane routing

- a series of steps

# Layering of airline functionality



**Layers: each layer implements a service**

- layers communicate with peer layers
- rely on services provided by layer below

# Why layering?

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- Explicit structure allows identification, relationship of complex system's pieces
- 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

# Protocol “Layers”

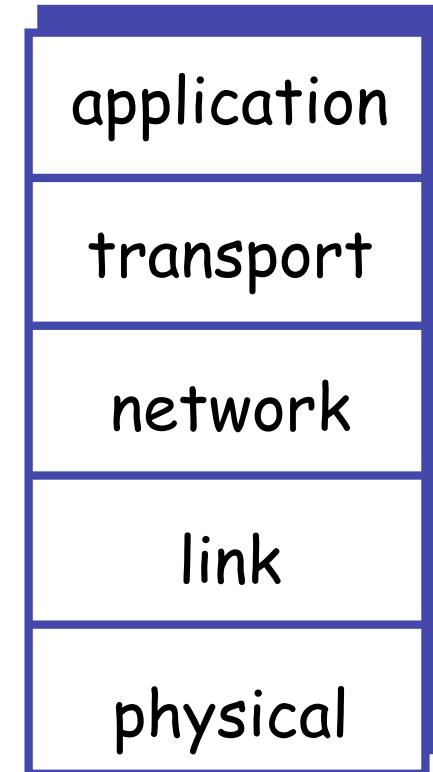
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- Service of each layer encapsulated
- Universally agreed services called  
PROTOCOLS

A large part of this course will focus on  
designing protocols for  
networking systems

# Internet protocol stack

- **application:** supporting network applications
  - FTP, SMTP, HTTP
- **transport:** host-host data transfer
  - TCP, UDP
- **network:** routing of datagrams from source to destination
  - IP, routing protocols
- **link:** data transfer between neighboring network elements
  - PPP, Ethernet, WiFi, Bluetooth
- **physical:** bits “on the wire”



# Success of Layering

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- Protocol stack successful in Internet
- Internet uses wired physical layer links
  - Very reliable
  - BER =  $10^{-8}$
- What about wireless networks
  - Very unreliable due to channel fluctuations
  - Due to co-channel interference
  - Due to external noise
- Does horizontal layering still hold ?

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Questions ?

# Encapsulation

