**IEEE Standards**

* In 1985, the Computer Society of the IEEE started a project, called **Project 802,** to set standards to enable intercommunication among equipment from a variety of manufacturers.
* Project 802 does not seek to replace any part of the OSI or the Internet model.

Instead, it is a way of specifying functions of the physical layer and the data link layer of major LAN protocols.

* The IEEE has subdivided the data link layer into two sublayers: **logical link**

**control (LLC)** and **media access control** (**MAC**)**.** IEEE has also created several physical layer standards for different LAN protocols.