



# Computer Networks

## Chapter 1 - Foundations

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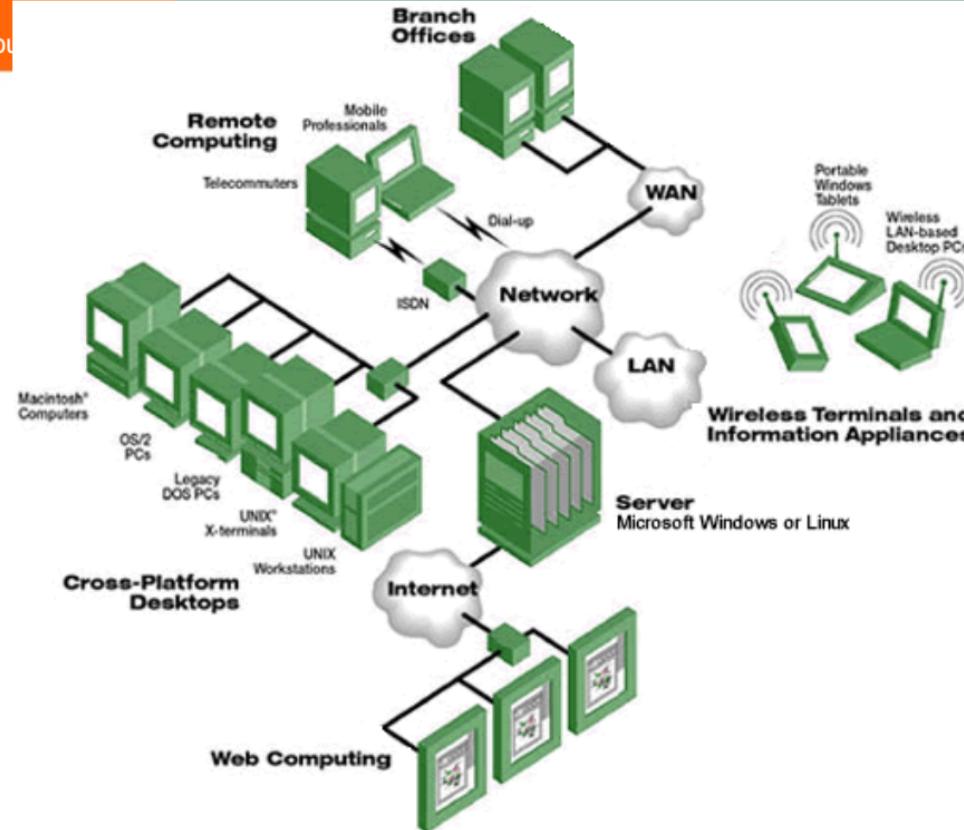




# Prologue

# What?

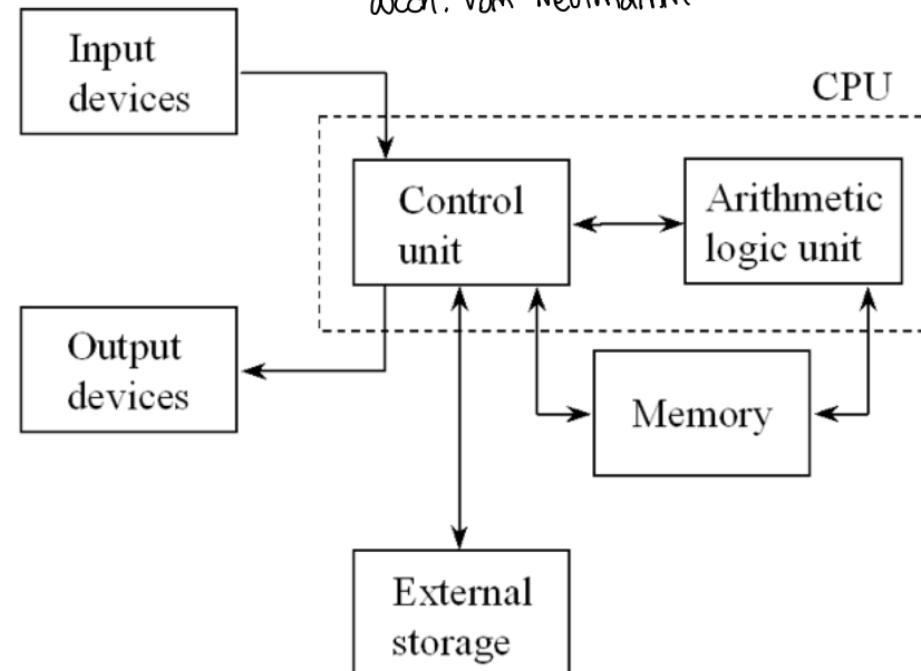
- Suppose we want to build, or choose, or manage, a computer network
  - Who is going to use this network?
  - Why? which are the applications?
  - Which architecture?
  - What hardware/software?
- What is a (computer) network?
  - How is a computer network different from other types of networks?
- What is a computer network architecture?



*Ceci est un réseau.*

Many different independent nodes, each with its own computing power

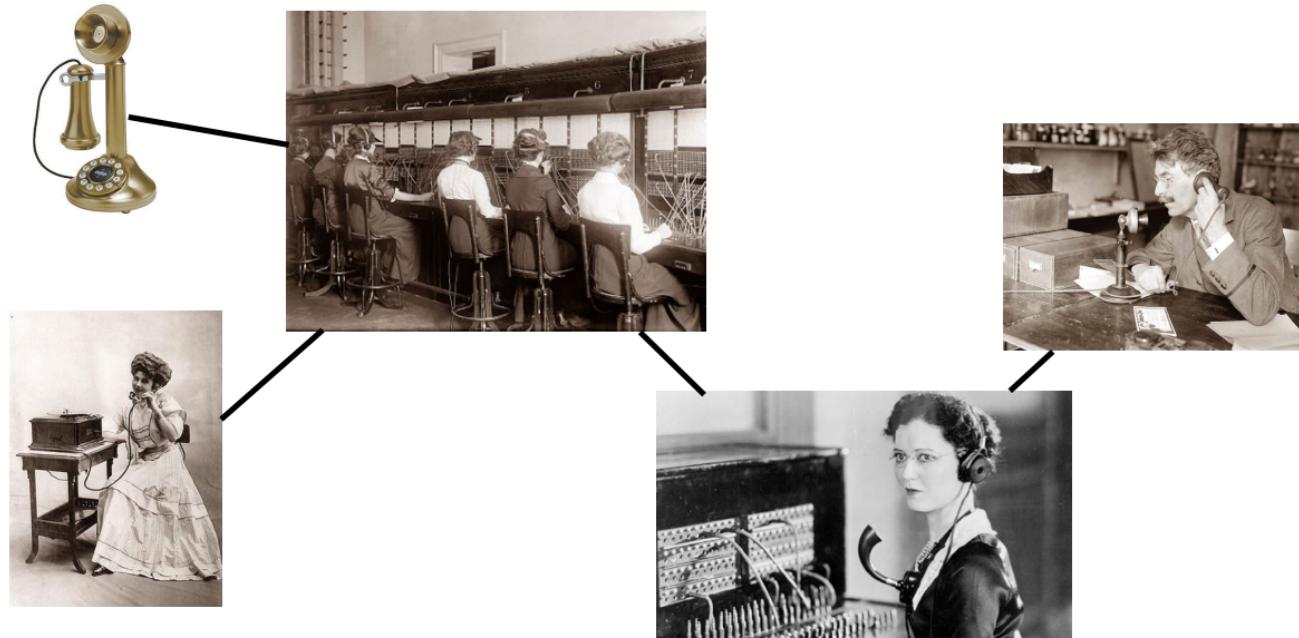
Arch. Von Neumann



=> non è una RETE  
perché i singoli nodi  
non sono indipendenti  
(nei vecchi sistemi)

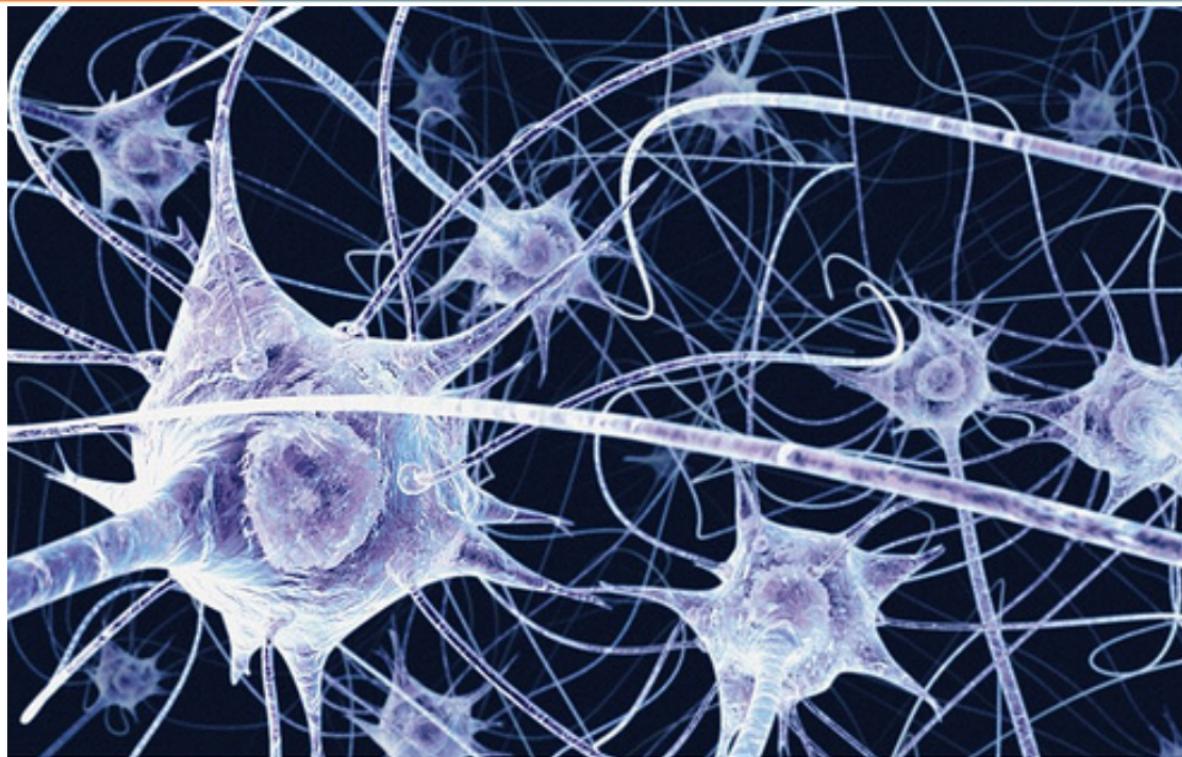
*Ceci n'est pas un réseau.*

One single “control” node, the others have no computing power



*Ceci est un réseau.*

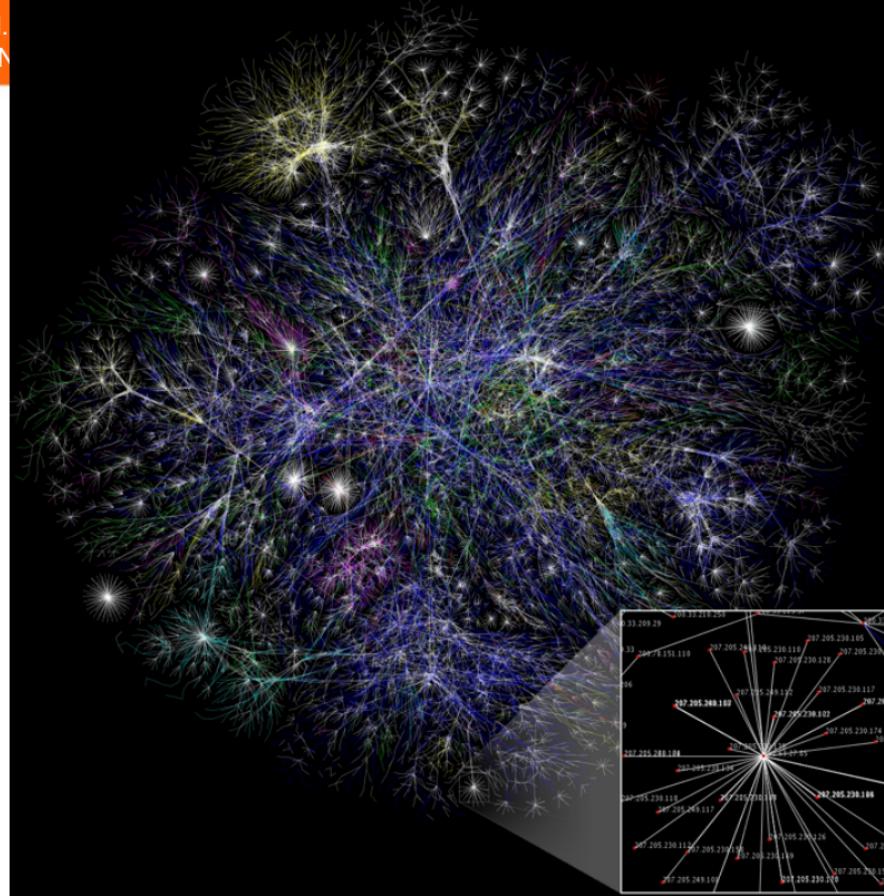
Dynamically established connections, via intermediary specialized nodes and channels



=> è una RETE perché  
ogni neurone ha la  
sua funzione e collettivamente  
lavorano

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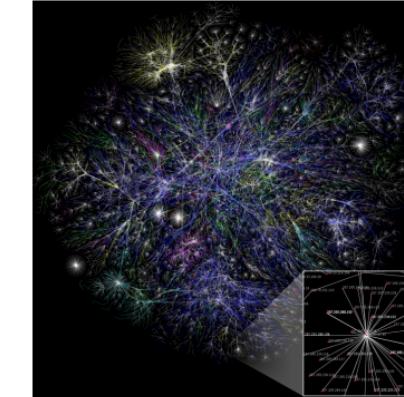
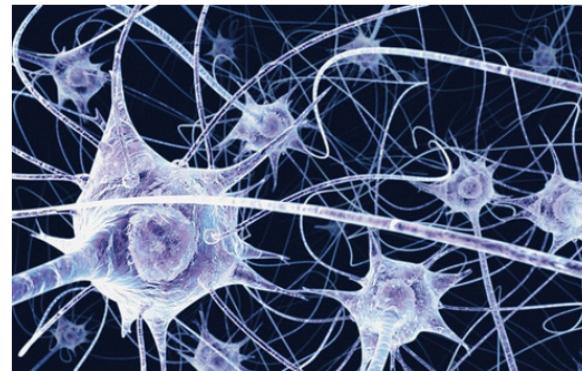
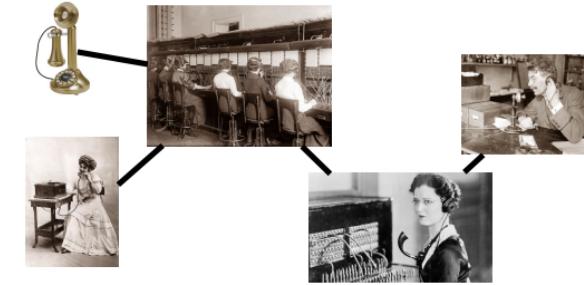
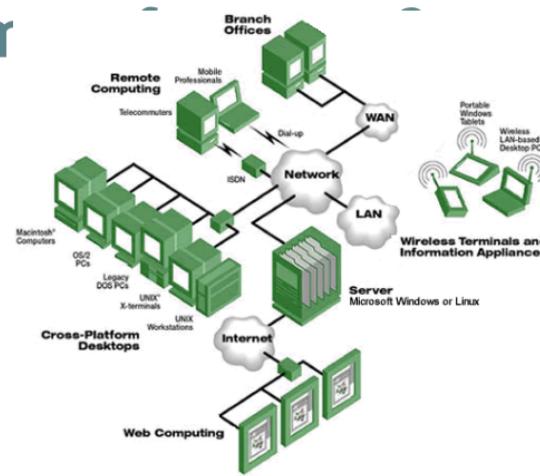
Self-configuring, self-repairing, resilient network.



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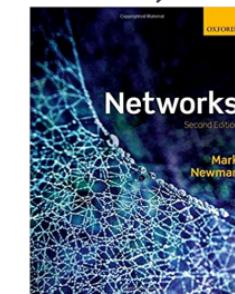
## Picture of the Internet (not even complete)

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# Common features of networks

- a **network** is composed by
  - (independent) **nodes** che si scambiano informaz. usando canali di comunicaz.
  - exchanging **informations**
  - using **communication channels**
  - in order to perform a **task** which cannot be done by a single node
- nodes can be computers, people, cells...
- channels can be electrical, optical, chemical, virtual...
- Great book for general networks:  
Mark Newman, “**Networks**”, 2018, OUP



# Specific features of *computer networks*

- General purpose
  - not optimized for a specific application (Un esempio di rete per singolo scopo è la rete telefonica)
  - many applications can coexist
    - ↳ una volta con la rete telefonica o chiamare o navigare in Internet
- Openness, flexibility
  - new features can be added dynamically (even not devised at the moment of network design / implementation)
  - vendor-independent

RFC insieme di standard

## In this course: general issues and solutions for computer networks

- **requirements** about the services implemented by a network
  - What the applications are expecting from a network?
- **general principles** for implementing, managing and improving these services
  - some theory of signals
  - network architectures
  - protocols
  - some network security
- **main applications and examples**
  - ISO/OSI model, TCP/IPv4 and IPv6 stacks
  - some applications

## What we will not see here

- Specific issues of specific applications
- Most application-level protocols and algorithms
- Suggested courses for continuing on these topics:
  - Distributed Systems
  - Semantica e Teoria della Concorrenza
  - Computer Network Security
  - (Tecnologie web per il cloud, IBML second year)

## References

- Suggested book:
  - L. Peterson, B. Davie, “Reti di Calcolatori”, 3<sup>a</sup> ed., Apogeo, 2012
- Alternatives:
  - A. Tanenbaum, D. Wetherall, “Reti di Calcolatori”, 5<sup>a</sup> ed., Pearson, 2011
  - But also: Kurose, Halsall, Stallings...
  - Slides, examples, old exams, general informations: [elearning.uniud.it](http://elearning.uniud.it)





## Modalità d'esame

- L'esame si compone di una prova scritta e di una eventuale prova orale.
- La prova scritta richiede di svolgere alcuni esercizi inerenti gli argomenti del Corso e rispondere ad alcune domande teoriche.
- La prova orale è obbligatoria solo per discriminare le “situazioni di confine”:
  - $17 \leq \text{voto scritto} \leq 19$  oppure  $\text{voto scritto} \geq 28$ .
  - Con  $\text{voto scritto} < 17$ , non si è ammessi all'orale.
  - ~~Con  $\text{voto scritto} < 10$  non ci si può iscrivere all'appello successivo (anche tra sessioni differenti).~~
  - L'orale consiste in due-tre domande e può variare il voto dello scritto al massimo di un paio di punti (in più, ma anche in meno).



# Chapter 1 Foundations



# Chapter Outline

- In order to understand the design, the implementation and the use of networks, we will see:
  - Example of applications
  - Requirements
  - Network Architecture
  - Implementing Network Software
  - Performance Evaluation

# Chapter Goal

- Exploring the requirements that different applications and different communities place on the computer network
  - users
  - application programmers
  - network operators
  - network and protocol designers
- Introducing the idea of *network architecture*
- Introducing some key elements in implementing Network Software
- Define key metrics that will be used to evaluate the performance of computer network



# Applications and Requirements of Computer Networks

# Applications

- Most people know about the Internet (a computer network) through applications
  - World Wide Web
  - Email
  - Online Social Network
  - Streaming Audio Video
  - File Sharing
  - Instant Messaging
  - ...

# Example application: WWW

- Main application of Internet for most users
- Hypertext of (possibly dynamically generated) documents, distributed among many servers
- URL: Uniform resource locator
  - <http://www.dimi.uniud.it/miculan>
- HTTP: Hyper Text Transfer Protocol → protocollo in cui client (browser utente) e server (sito) creano una connessione scambiandosi messaggi
- TCP: Transmission Control Protocol => molti protocolli moderni (applicativi) si appoggiano su TCP.  
ricorda che un protocollo si appoggia sui protocolli di livello inferiore
- 17 messages for one URL request
  - 6 to find the IP (Internet Protocol) address
  - 3 for connection establishment of TCP
  - 4 for HTTP request and acknowledgement
    - Request: “I got your request and I will send the data”
    - Reply: “Here is the data you requested; I got the data”
  - 4 messages for tearing down TCP connection

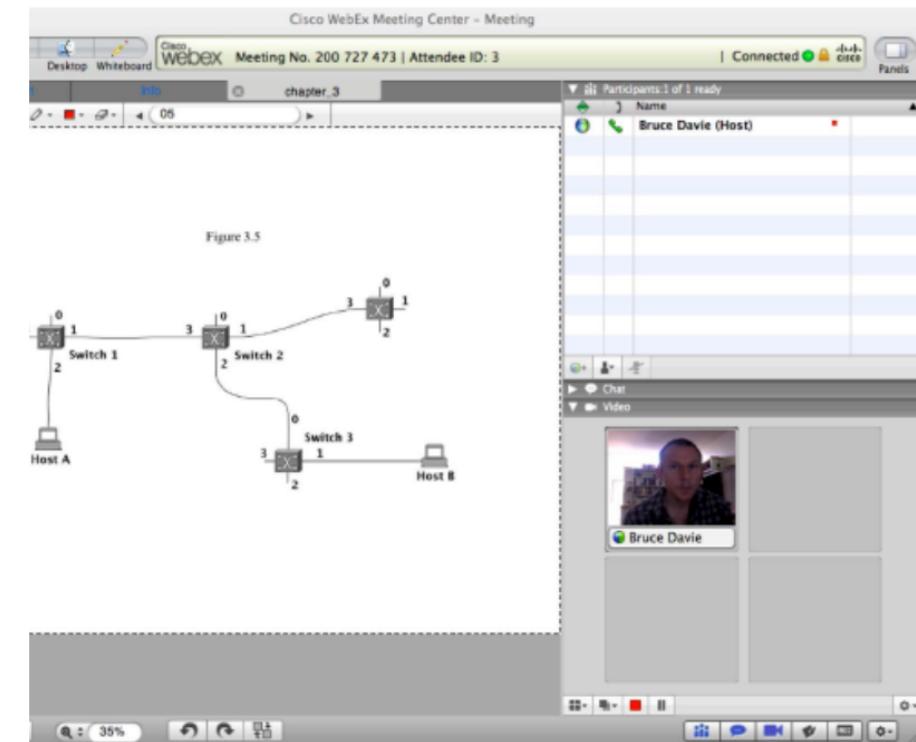
IPERTESTO: insieme di documenti messi in relazione tra loro per mezzo di parole chiave. È una rete con i singoli documenti considerati come nodi della rete.

→ in realtà TCP non è implementato fisicamente, è realizzato con il protocollo (sostanziale) IP.

# Example application: video conferencing

- A multimedia application including video-conferencing.
- Requires audio-video streaming, hypertext, coordination, etc.

Momentaneo sia un contesto diverso rispetto a quello di prima, utilizza sempre gli stessi protocolli (TCP/UDP - IP)

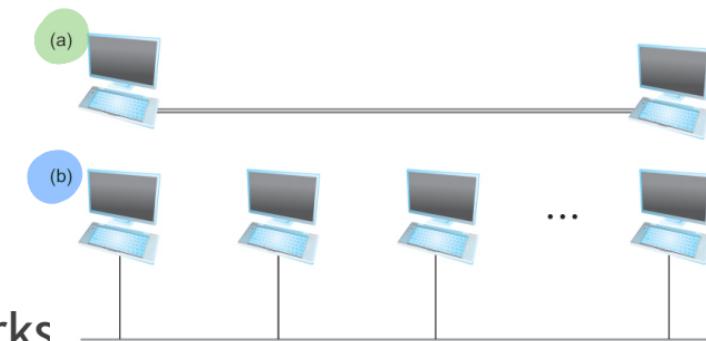


# Requirements

- Important to understand general concepts and basic principles, rather than specific cases
  - Different points of view:
    - **Application Programmer**
      - List the services that his application needs: delay bounded delivery of data, mobility, throughput...
    - **Network Designer**
      - Design a cost-effective network with sharable resources, efficient, fair for applications and users...
    - **Network Provider**
      - List the characteristics of a system that is easy to manage
- in tardì sono usciti di bottega*

# Connectivity

- Need to understand the following terminologies
  - Designed to scale!
  - Link
  - Nodes
  - Point-to-point
  - Multiple access
  - But directed connected networks would be either very limited or very expensive (or both)

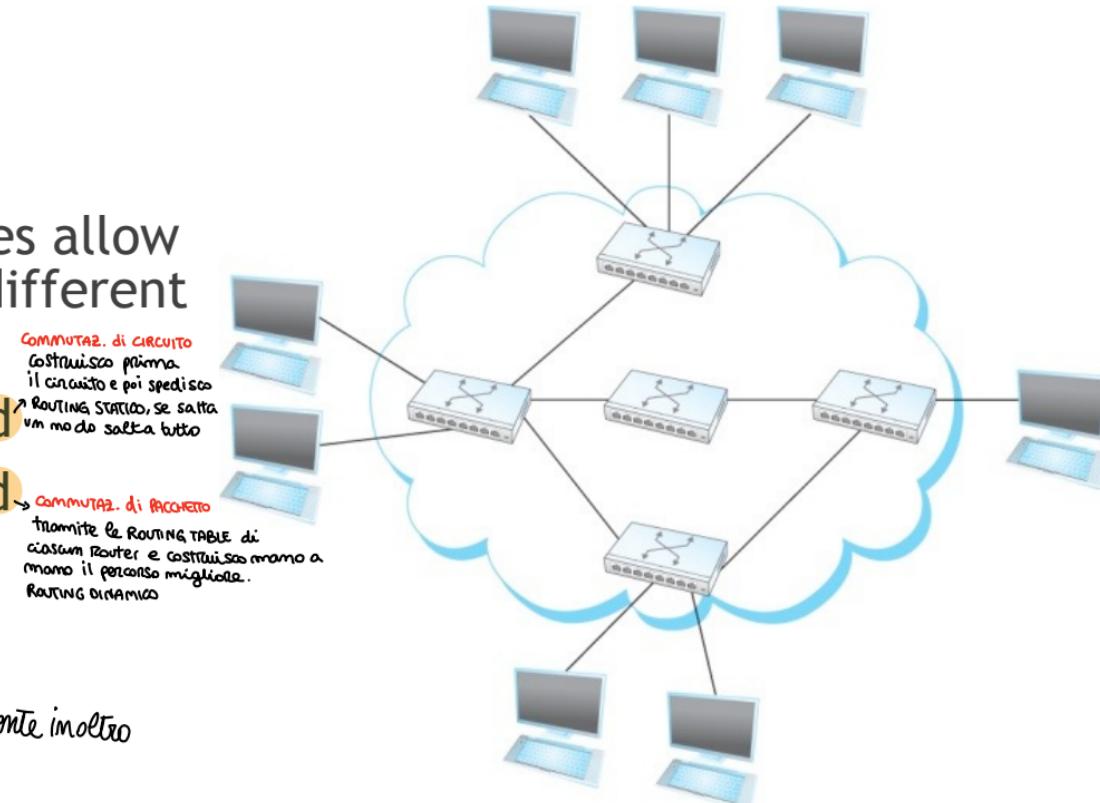


(a)  
(b)

Point-to-point → es. fibra ottica  
Multiple access  
↳ es. aula, ottica

# Connectivity

- Terminology (cont'd)
  - Switched Network
    - Specialized nodes allow for connecting different network trunks
    - **Circuit Switched**
    - **Packet Switched**
  - Packet, message
  - Store-and-forward
    - ↳ ricevo, decido ed eventualmente inoltrò



# Connectivity

- Terminologies (contd.)

- Cloud
- Hosts
- Switches
- internetwork

connessione di 2 o più reti, rete di reti

com ea i minuscola  
abbreviazione di internetwork

- Internet is an internetwork

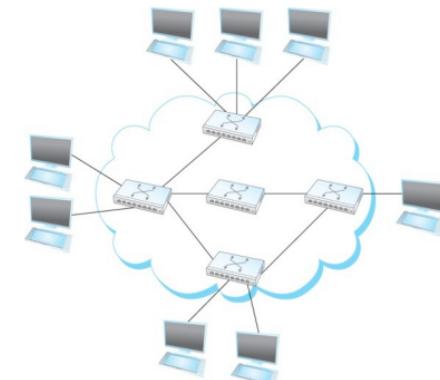
- Router/gateway
- Host-to-host connectivity
- Address
- Routing
- Unicast/broadcast/multicast

UN SOLO DESTINATARIO

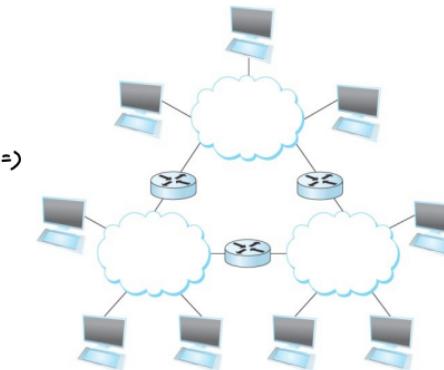
A TUTTI

UN GRUPPO DI  
DESTINATARI

(a)  
LAN =>



(b)  
internet =>



(a) A switched network  
(b) Interconnection of networks

# A recursive definition of network

- A (computer) **network** is an entity formed by
    - two or more nodes connected by a medium
    - or two or more networks connected by a node.
  - **A network is a hierarchy of networks** (often very different).
  - Leads to the problem of addressing nodes in different networks, in order to allow message routing and delivery
- se sono 2 nodi è PUNTO PUNTO, se ne sono più è mezzo condiviso

# Cost-Effective Resource Sharing

- Important for the network designer and provider
- Resource: links and nodes
- How to share a link?

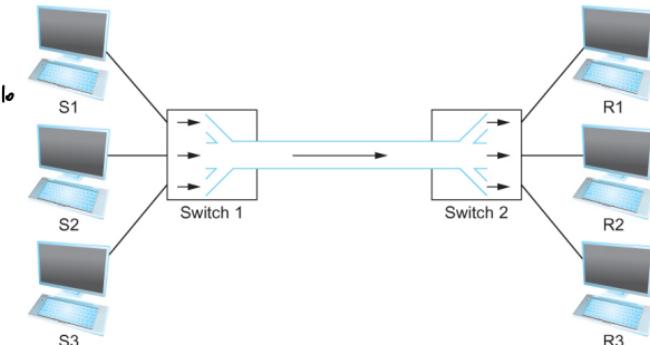
- **Multiplexing** → prendo più segnali e li trasmetto su un canale
- **De-multiplexing** → uso un canale per condividere più segnali.  
Ne esistono di 3 tipi:
  - TIME DIVISION
  - FREQUENCY DIVISION
  - STATISTICAL

## ① Synchronous Time-division

**Multiplexing** → es. ROUND ROBIN, BLUETOOTH → dividendo il tempo per ciascun host, quindi il canale fa "passare" tot secondi di segnale a ciascun host

- Time slots/data transmitted in predetermined slots → può essere non time effective
- ## ② FDM: Frequency Division Multiplexing
- dividiamo in canali es. la radio  
dividendo in base alla frequenza
- Both have limits in efficiency and scalability

è scambiato ad es. appena un canale singolo per ogni coppia di processori che si devono scambiare messaggi



Multiplexing multiple logical flows over a single physical link

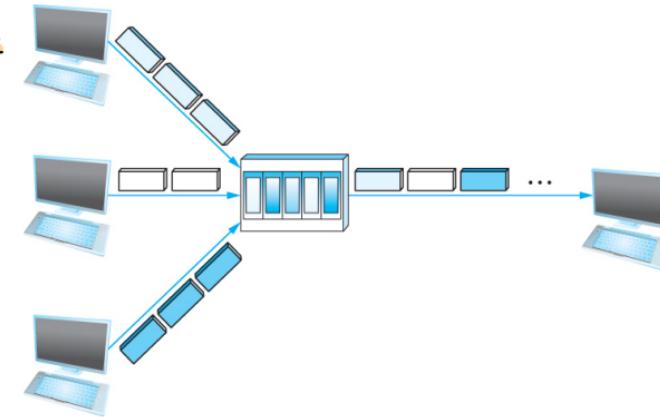
# Cost-Effective Resource Sharing

## ③ • Statistical Multiplexing

- Data is transmitted based on demand of each flow.  
↳ RICHIESTA/DOMANDA
- What is a flow?
- Packets vs. Messages
- FIFO, Round-Robin, Priorities (Quality-of-Service (QoS))
- Congested?
- LAN, MAN, WAN
- SAN (System Area Networks)

quando il flusso di informazioni è segmentato in pacchetti  
di lunghezza arbitraria o fissa che al loro interno contengono  
info per definire quale è il destinatario

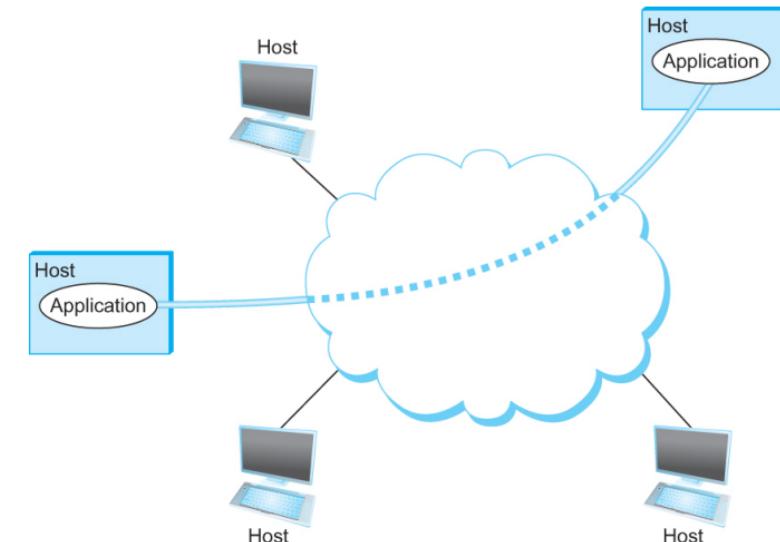
→ invio al posto che segnali interi invio parti  
di segnali (pacchetti)



A switch multiplexing packets from multiple sources onto one shared link

# Support for Common Services

- Programmers do not want to deal with single packets. They need *logical channels* between applications: application-to-application communication paths or pipes
- The network can be seen as a provider of logical channels, which can be established and maintained on the need
- Next problem is to define the functionalities for these logical channels
  - ❖ e.g.: reliable? Message size? Connection or connectionless?



Process communicating over an abstract channel

# Common Communication Patterns

- By observing many applications, we can identify common communication patterns
- Client/Server applications are common
  - eg. File transfers/access, name resolutions...
  - But others are possible
- Two basic types of communication channel
  - **Request/Reply Channels** → scambio pacchetti FINITI, es. messaggi, che arrivano tutti certi (es. TCP)
    - Suitable for many client/server interactions
    - Can be reliable or not
  - **Message Stream Channels** → scambio pacchetti FINITI e il flusso è continuo, l'importante è che arrivano più pacchetti possibili (UDP è un esempio)
    - Used often for video on demand, video conferences,...
    - But other types are possible

es. del postino che per mandare una lettera la consegna al destinatario e questo per rispondere salva l'indirizzo del suo amico e rispedisce al postino la risposta

es. del client server del prof. - CONNECTIONLESS (UDP) ogni volta che il client mandava un messaggio al server era come se si collegasse

- CONNECTED (TCP) si collegava all'inizio il client e poi la connessione per i messaggi era stabilita

al posto che il postino che mi fa da tramite, ho un tubo che mi collega direttamente con l'amico e comunichi da lì

# Reliability affidabilità

Network should hide the errors

- Bits are lost
  - Bit errors (1 to a 0, and vice versa)
  - Burst errors - several consecutive errors
- Packets are lost (Congestion)
- Links and Node failures
- Messages are delayed
- Messages are delivered out-of-order → arrivano fuori ordine
- Third parties eavesdrop
  - ↳ SNIFFING

# Management

- Network admins have to manage (configure, monitor, repair) networks easily
- Configuration of large networks cannot be done by a single admin
- Sometimes, networks do not have expert administrators (e.g. home networks, ad hoc networks)
- Networks should be auto configurable, and resilient to failures

↳ si adatta ai cambiamenti



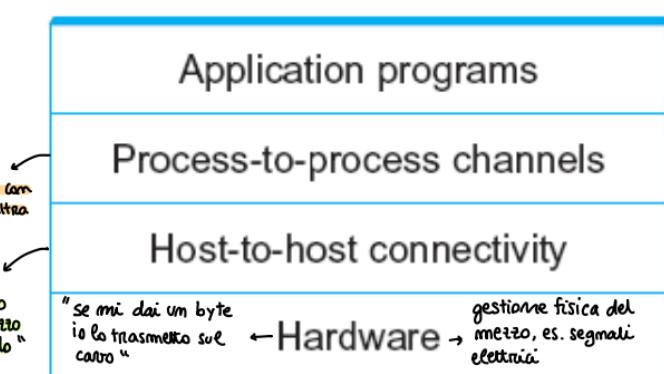
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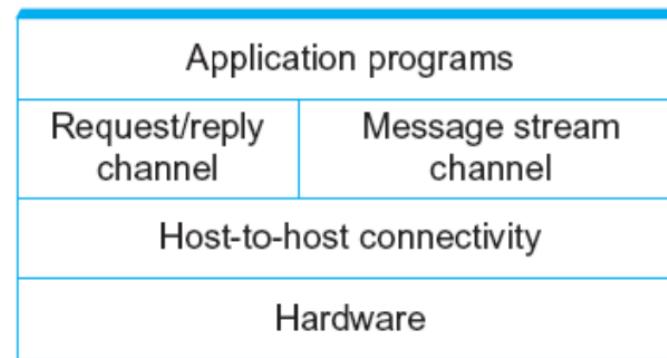
- Networks are complex
- It is difficult to implement all their functions in a single piece of code / hardware
- It is easier to **adopt a *layered* architecture** (like in layered operating systems)
- **Each layer builds on that below it adding new functionalities.** Example:

ogni strato implementa nuove funzionalità astratte  
utilizzando le funzionalità (API) dello strato sottostante

tutte le reti sono fatte a strati, le studiamo  
aggiungendo dei layer sopra lo strato HW



# Network Architecture

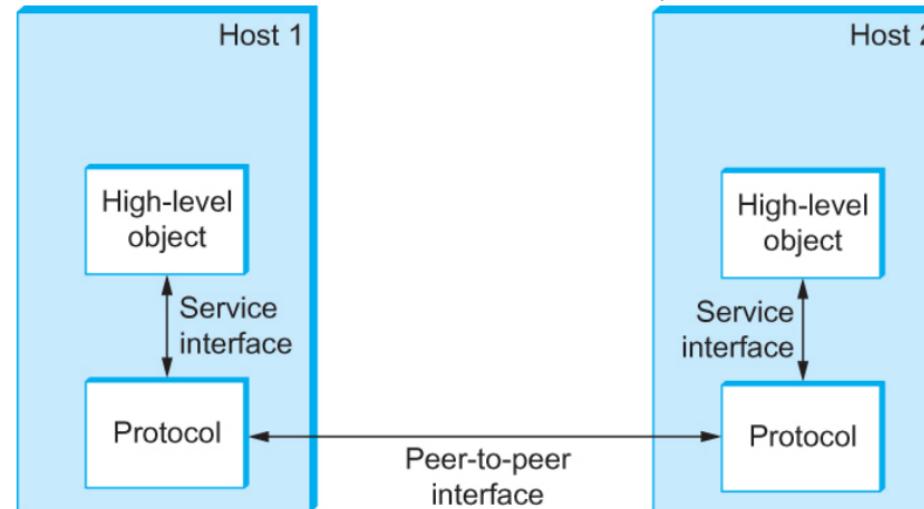


Layered system with alternative abstractions available at a given layer

# Interfaces

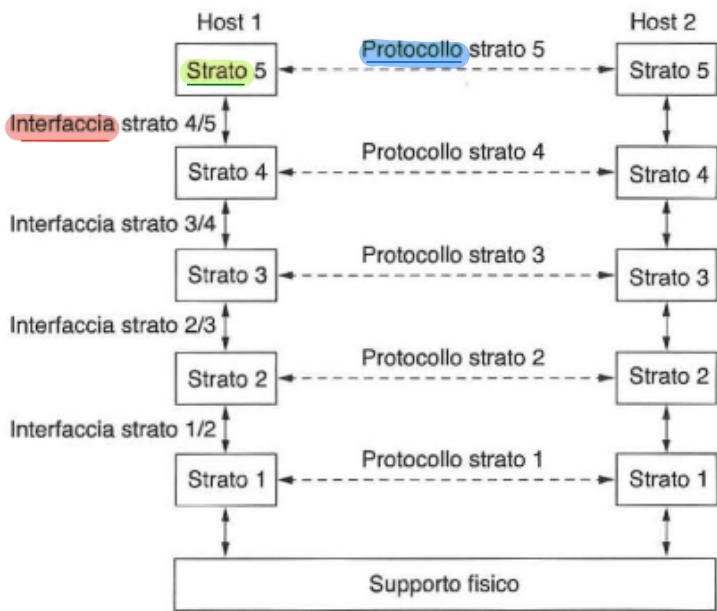
SERVIZIO: API offerte dal modulo ai livelli superiori

PEER TO PEER: il protocollo richiede dei servizi dallo stesso protocollo dell'altro host

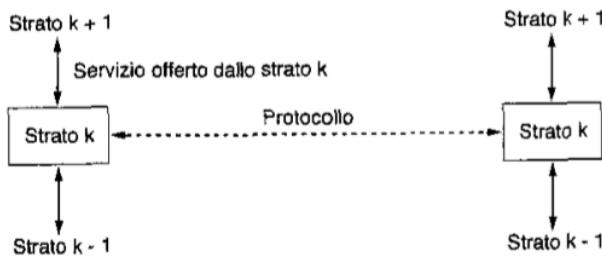


## Service and Peer Interfaces

Le implementaz. delle due macchine possono essere diverse (es. 32 vs 64 bit, o s.o. diversi) ma devono poter comunicare



- Lo **STRATO** è il LIVELLO.
- L' **INTERFACCIA** rappresentata dal collegamento VERTICALE tra STRATTI diversi, definisce le operazioni elementari ed i servizi che lo strato inferiore rende disponibili a quelli superiori. Un servizio è un insieme di primitive (operazioni) che uno strato offre a quello superiore senza spiegare come sono implementate (le operazioni), quello lo fa il protocollo
- I **PROTOCOLLI** funzionano tra strati dello stesso livello, sono degli accordi tra strati dello stesso livello sul modo in cui deve procedere la comunicazione, ovvero le entità usano i protocolli per implementare le definizioni dei loro servizi.



Gli strati possono offrire due tipi di servizi a quelli sovrastanti

Si costruisce il canale della comunicazione (tubo) e si scelgono i parametri della comunicazione. Fatto ciò poi un utente carica i bit nel "tubo" e l'altro lo scarica. I pacchetti cariamente arrivano disordinati.

**CONNECTION-ORIENTED**: come il postino, ogni messaggio ha l'indirizzo completo del destinatario ed è indirizzato verso di esso → possono arrivare i pacchetti in ordine diverso (**DATAGRAM**)

ogni volta che invii un messaggio con UDP devi dichiarare l'indirizzo del destinatario e porta  
con TCP invece lo fai solo alla creazione della connessione

Spesso si preferisce **CONNECTIONLESS** perché CONNESSO non è disponibile, ad es. Ethernet è **NON CONNESSO** perché i pacchetti possono corrompersi ogni fiamma, se ne devono occupare gli strati superiori.

Inoltre la **creazione del "tubo comnesso"** può richiedere molto tempo

→ dice come vengono implementate le funzionalità

## Protocols

Un insieme di regole che definiscono i servizi offerti ai liv. superiori e ai livelli uguali nelle altre macchine

(VERTICALE)

(ORIZZONTALE)

- A **protocol** defines the interfaces between the *layers* in the same system and with the layers of *peer system*

↳ ORIZZONTALE

- Building blocks of a network architecture
- Each protocol object has two different interfaces
  - **service interface**: operations on this protocol → VERTICALE
  - **peer-to-peer interface**: messages exchanged with peer → ORIZZONTALE
- Term “protocol” is overloaded
  - specification of peer-to-peer interface
  - module that implements this interface

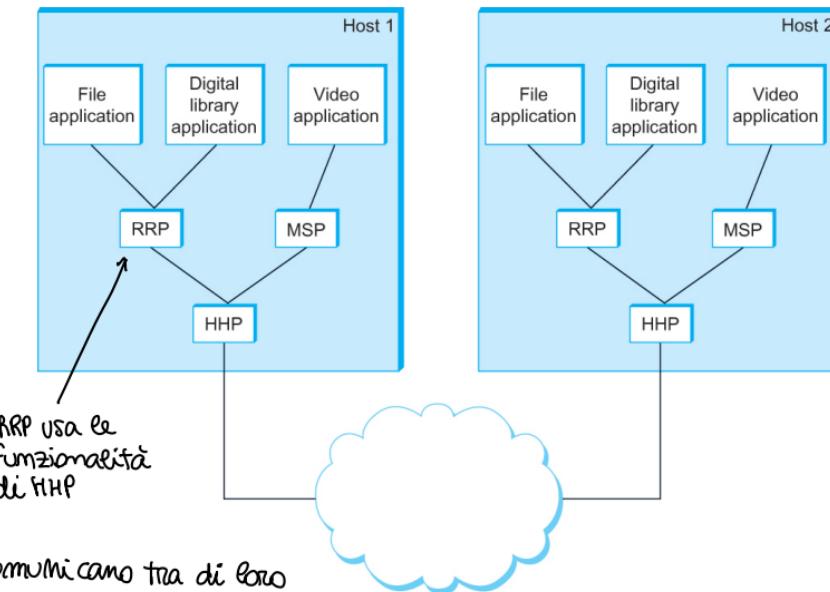
# Protocols

- Protocol Specification: prose, pseudo-code, state transition diagram
- **Interoperable**: when two or more protocols that implement the specification accurately → posso modificare/creare nuovi protocolli basta che mi attenga a delle specifiche e tutti gli strati sopra funzioneranno
- **IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force: defines protocols**
  - ↳ rilascia gli RFC: standard per i protocolli

# Protocol Graph

 → dipendenze tra protocolli

- Example of a protocol graph: nodes are the protocols and links the “depends-on” relation
- RRP: request-reply protocol
- MSP: message stream protocol
- HHP: host-to-host protocol

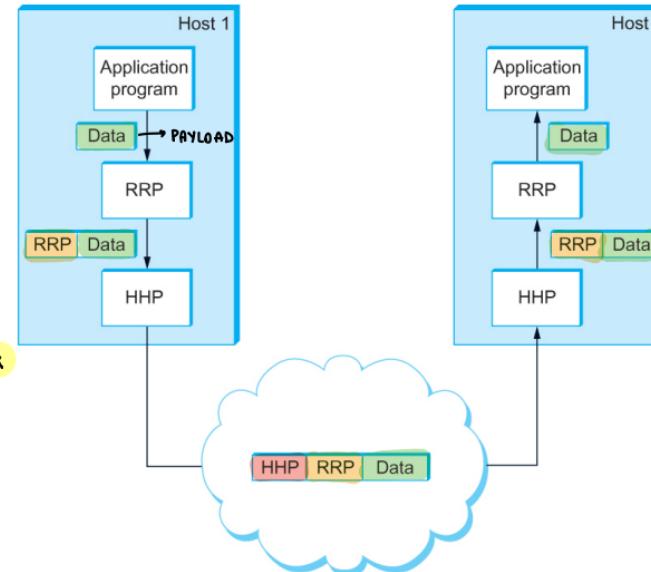


“virtualmente” anche, ad es., RAP e RRP comunicano tra di loro

# Encapsulation

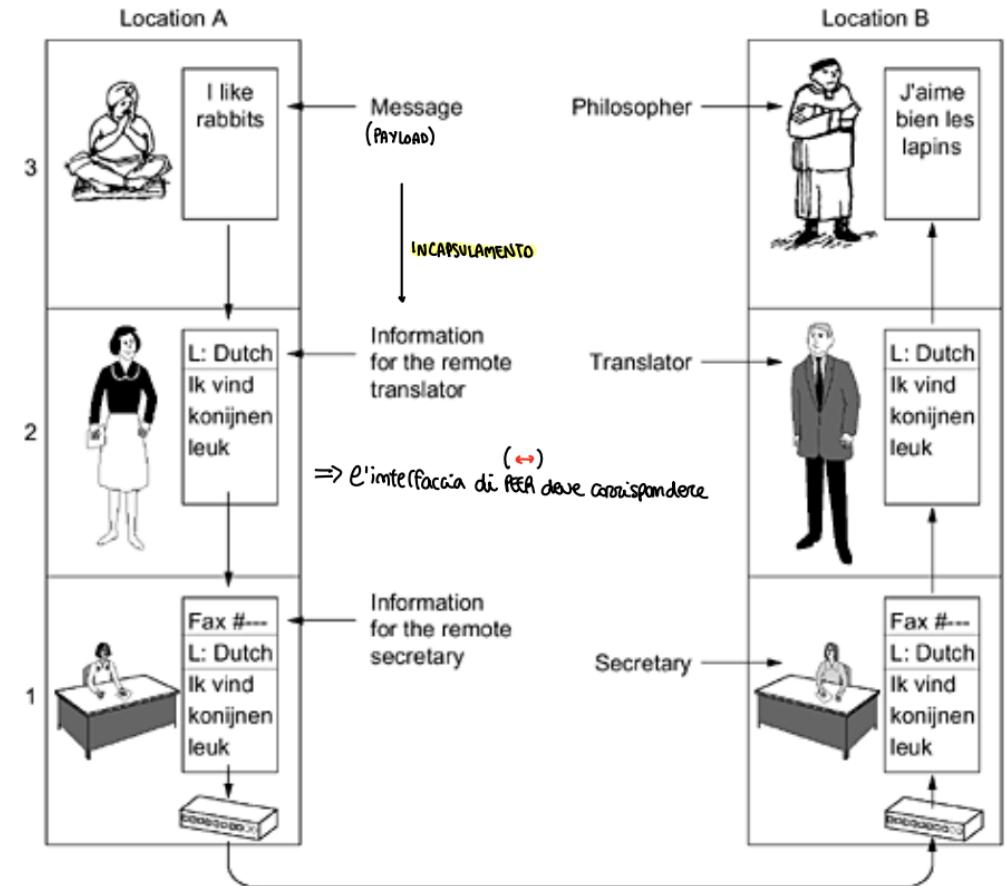
informazioni aggiunte (header)  
al file man mano che  
scende di livello

ie **PAYLOAD** è il data che riceve lo strato (livello)  $x$   
dal livello  $x+1$



High-level messages are encapsulated inside of low-level messages

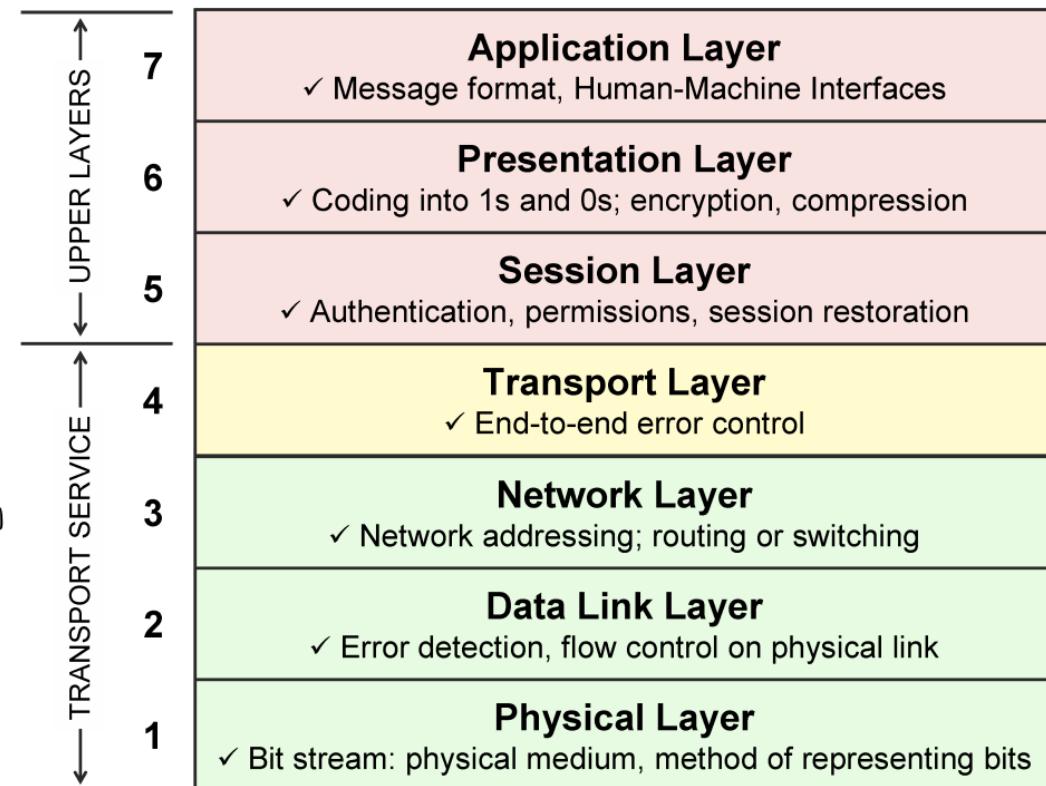
# Example



# The ISO OSI Architecture

OSI = Open Systems Interconnection

1, 2, 3, 4 → tutti i protocolli già implementati nel s.o. (kernel)  
5, 6, 7 → implementati a livello applicativo



# Description of Lower Layers

L'indirizzo MAC ci dice che interfaccia utilizza

## 1. Physical Layer

implementato nella scheda di rete  
tutto ciò che riguarda i metà fisici, come i bit sono codificati nel segnale  
"Se mi dai dei byte io li faccio arrivare dall'altra parte"

- Handles the transmission of raw bits over a communication link
- Here we deal with encoding/decoding issues

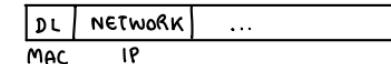
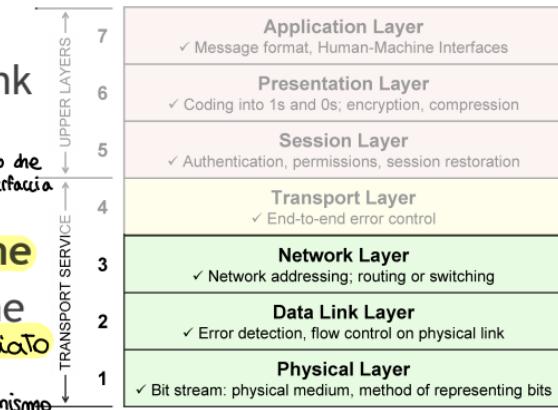
## 2. Data Link Layer

→ gestire l'accesso al mezzo e controllare eventuali errori

- Collects a stream of bits into a larger aggregate called a **frame**
- Network adaptor along with device driver in OS implement the protocol in this layer → il livello 2 garantisce che il messaggio se arriva sbagliato me me accorgo
- Frames are actually delivered from host to hosts

## 3. Network Layer

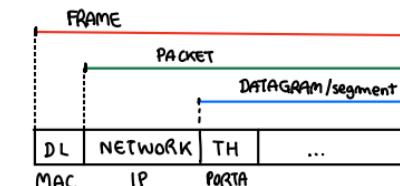
- Handles routing among nodes within a packet-switched network  
↳ ha anche funzione di controllo del congestionsamento
- Unit of data exchanged between nodes in this layer is called a **packet**  
↳ "dammi un IP e i dati ed io te li mando" → Jitter, QoS, ritardi, tempo di transito sono problemi del network
- The lower three layers are implemented on all network nodes



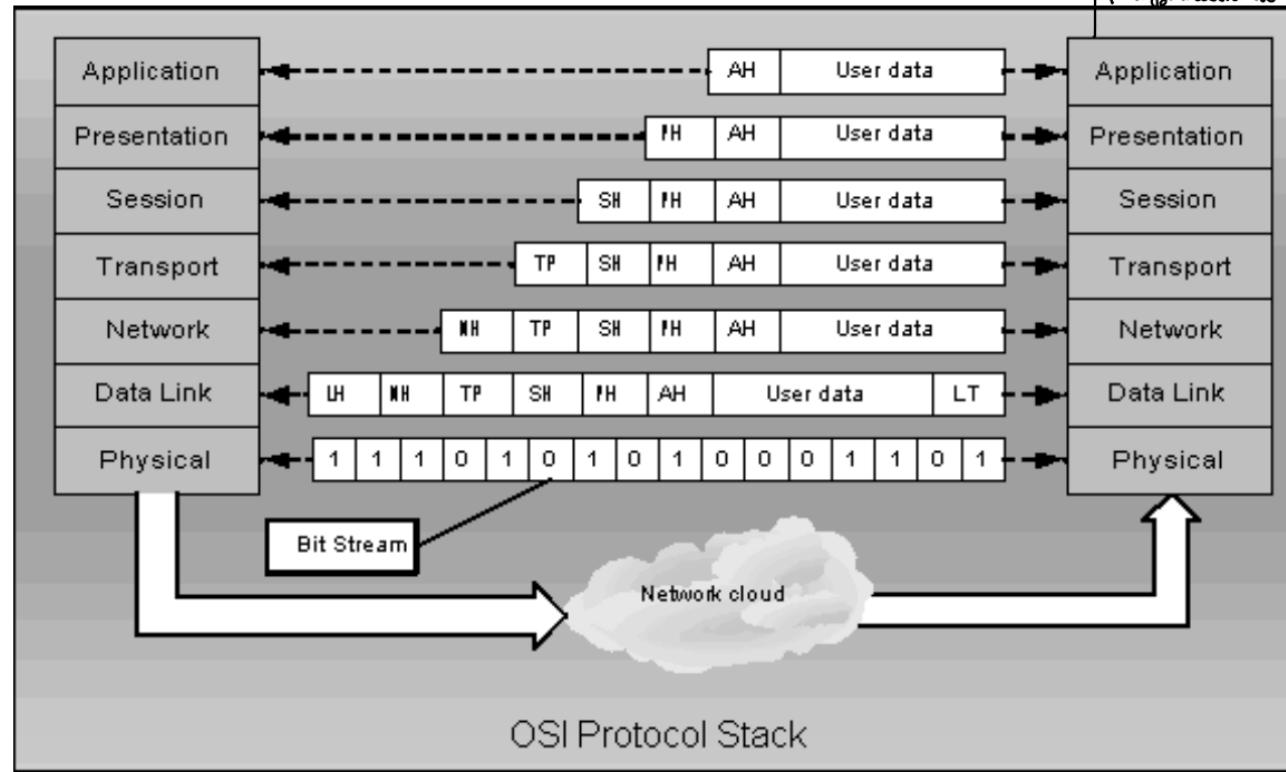
# Description of Higher Layers

- per TCP / UDP → implementa l'ordinamento dei pacchetti
4. Transport Layer → usa un nuovo indirizzo, la **PORTA**
- **Implements a process-to-process channel**
  - Unit of data exchanged in this layer is called **datagram** or **segment**
5. Session Layer
- Provides a name space, authentication, coordination and general information among different transport streams that are part of a single application
6. Presentation Layer → i dati possono essere modificati, es. crittografati
- Concerned about the format of data exchanged between peers
  - **Data compression, conversion, encryption/decryption ...**
7. Application Layer → es. HTTP
- Standardize common type of exchanges
  - The transport layer and the higher layers typically run only on end-hosts and not on the intermediate switches and routers

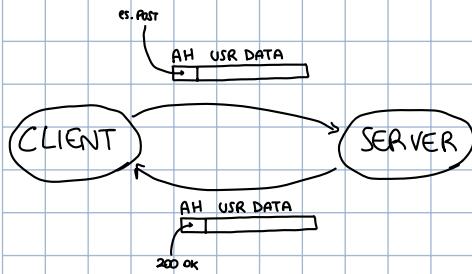
UPPER LAYERS	7	Application Layer	✓ Message format, Human-Machine Interfaces
	6	Presentation Layer	✓ Coding into 1s and 0s; encryption, compression
	5	Session Layer	✓ Authentication, permissions, session restoration
	4	Transport Layer	✓ End-to-end error control
	3	Network Layer	✓ Network addressing; routing or switching
	2	Data Link Layer	✓ Error detection, flow control on physical link
	1	Physical Layer	✓ Bit stream: physical medium, method of representing bits



# The ISO OSI Architecture



OSI = Open Systems Interconnection



=> questo a livello applicativo, in realtà è astratto il canale  
si utilizzano le API degli strati sottostanti

ad ogni livello ci sono i canali virtuali, in realtà tutto si appoggia  
ai livelli sottostanti

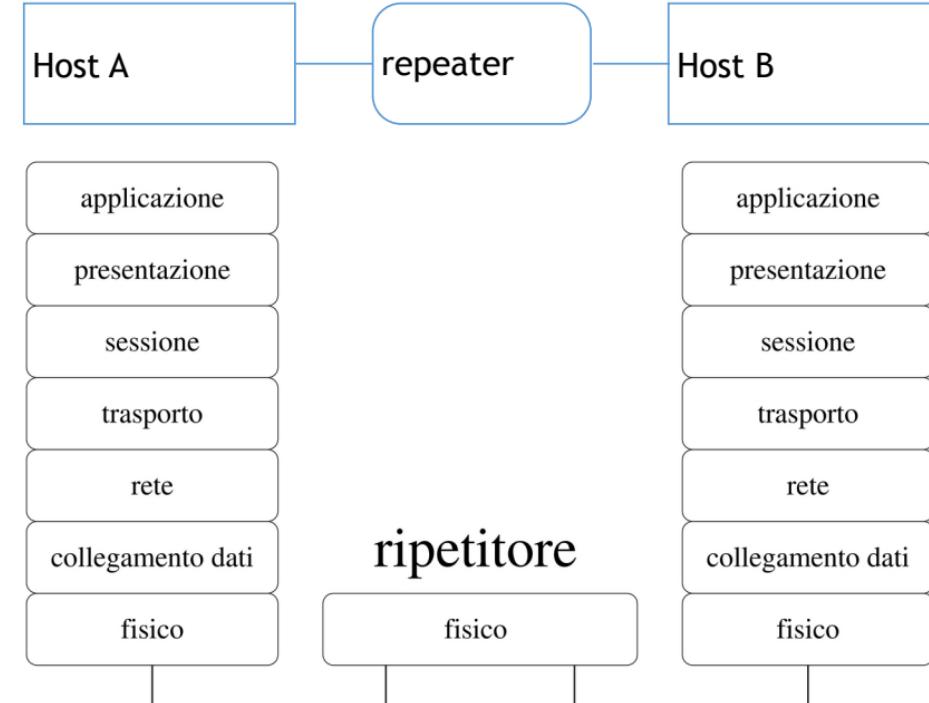
Ci sono alcuni dispositivi che implementano solo fino ad alcuni strati

es. repeater: prendono segnale fisico, lo decodificano e lo ricodificano dall'altra parte  
 ↓  
 non amplificare

## Repeater = level 1 switch

- Connects two physical media of the same type, which appear as a single one.
- **Data units which are switched: single bits.**
- Signals are basically the same on the two media, but not simply amplified: bits are decoded from one side and re-encoded on the other side.

→ vede solo bit



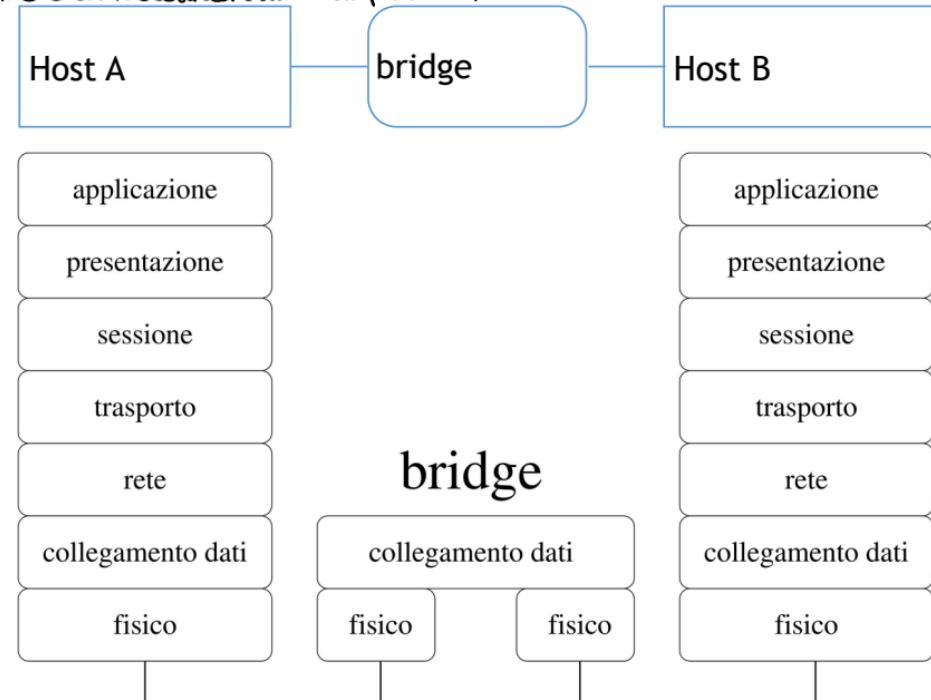
vediamo i frame ethernet, pacchetti wifi

## Bridge = level 2 switch

→ prende la sequenza di bit, la interpreta come un frame e la ricodifica dall'altra parte → può trovare errori

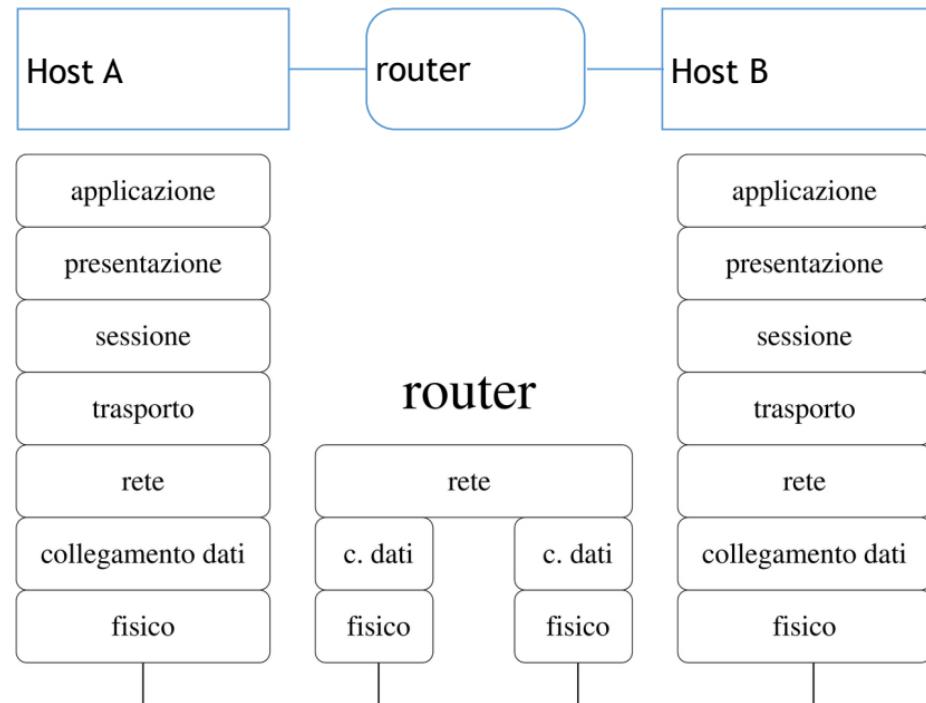
- Connects two possibly different links, which appear as a single one.
- Data units which are switched: frames. Each frame is received from one side, checked for errors, and forwarded to the other.
- Frame headers are kept unchanged (usually), but physical encodings can differ.
- A switch is a multi-port bridge.

→ vede i frame



# Router = level 3 switch

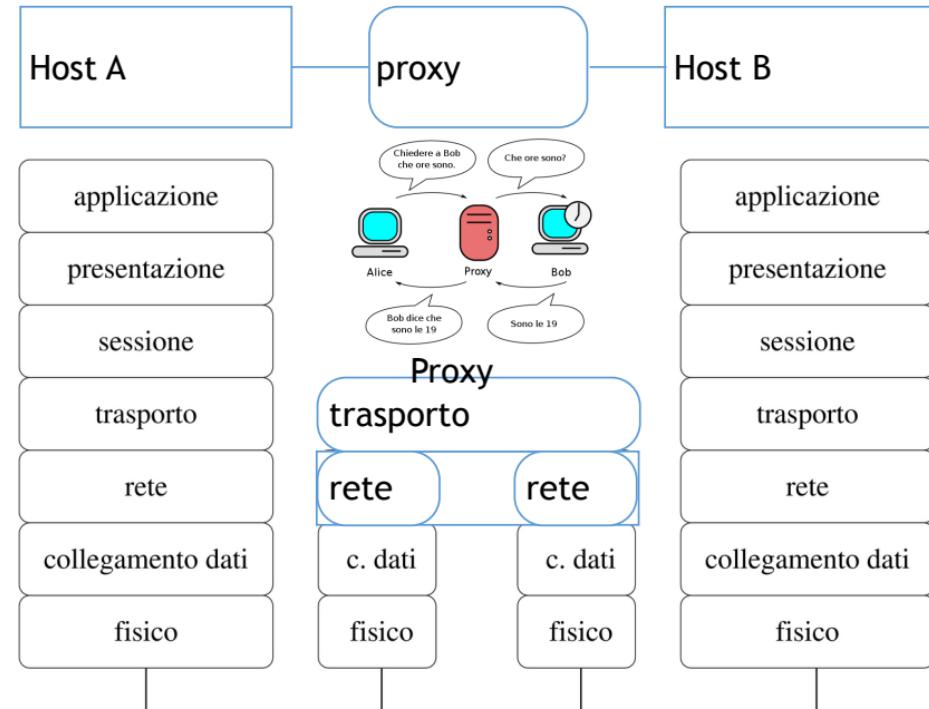
- Connects two different network segments, which appear as a single one.
  - **Data units which are switched: packets.**
  - Network header is not changed, but frame header is replaced  $\Rightarrow$  quando faccio il forwarding
- riesce ad implementare l'INSTRADAMENTO e scambia PACCHETTI



# Proxy = level 4 switch

DATAGRAM: connectionless

- Translates between different hosts. Data units which are switched: **messages**.
- **Frame and network headers are replaced. Application protocol and transport header are maintained.**  $\Rightarrow$  **forwarding**
- Allows to access a service (B) but connecting to a closer host (the proxy).  $\rightarrow$  **a B la richiesta appare come effettuata dal proxy**
- Useful for crossing firewalls, checking content ...

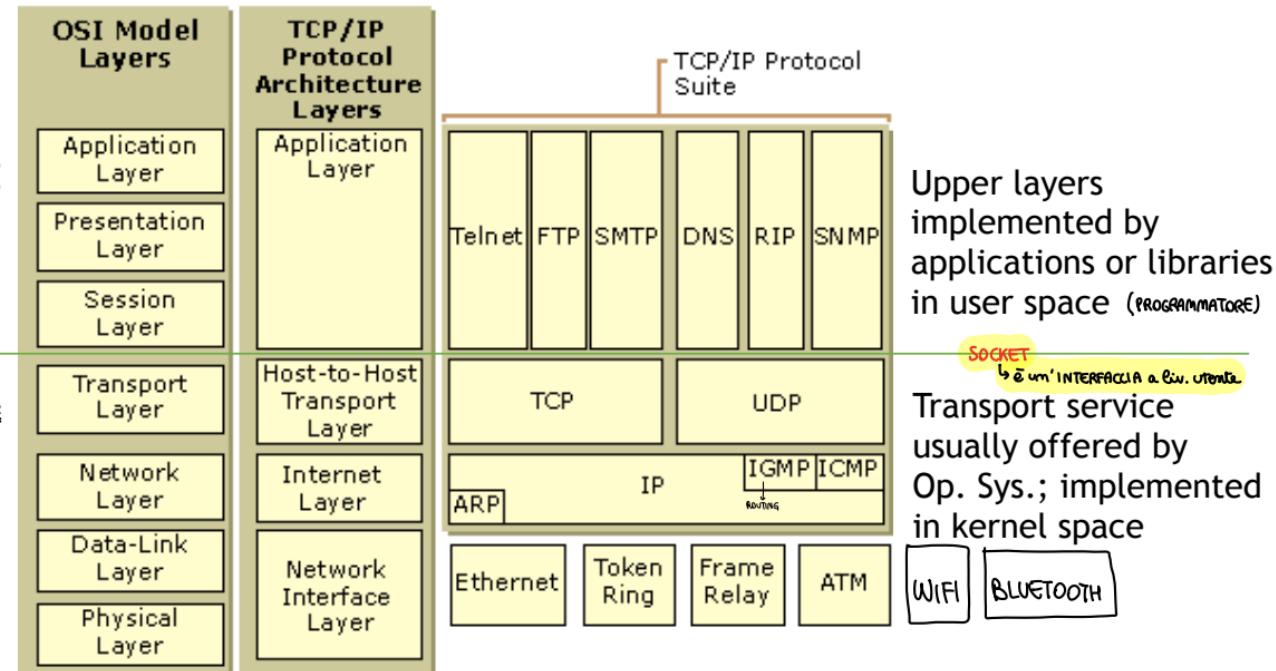


# Internet Architecture (aka the TCP/IP stack)

The Internet  
Architecture is  
simpler than ISO/OSI:

- Application layer covers Application, Presentation, Session
- Network interface layer covers Data-Link and Physical

fino a qua  
(dal basso) sono imple-  
mentati in tutti i S.O.



=> IP non assicura che i canali sotto sono robusti e siawà, il protocollo IP serve a far trasportare i dati

La STANZA è una rete

NOI siamo i modi e possiamo scambiarci i messaggi solo passandoci la palla di mano  $\rightarrow$  deve per forza passare agli adiacenti

$\hookrightarrow$  Siamo i router, singole reti

a divide in RIGHE e COLONNE, ognuno ha il suo identificatore (G 13)

$\hookrightarrow$  indirizzo IP, liv. 3  $\rightarrow$  se ci spostiamo cambia

L'indirizzo fisico (nome cognome) non cambia se ti sposti

PASSAGGI:

a livello TRASPORTO creo i segmenti e me inserisco ciascuno in una busta (numerata)

1. Divido il dato applicativo in tanti segmenti con intestazioni di liv. 4  $\rightarrow$  INCAPSULAMENTO

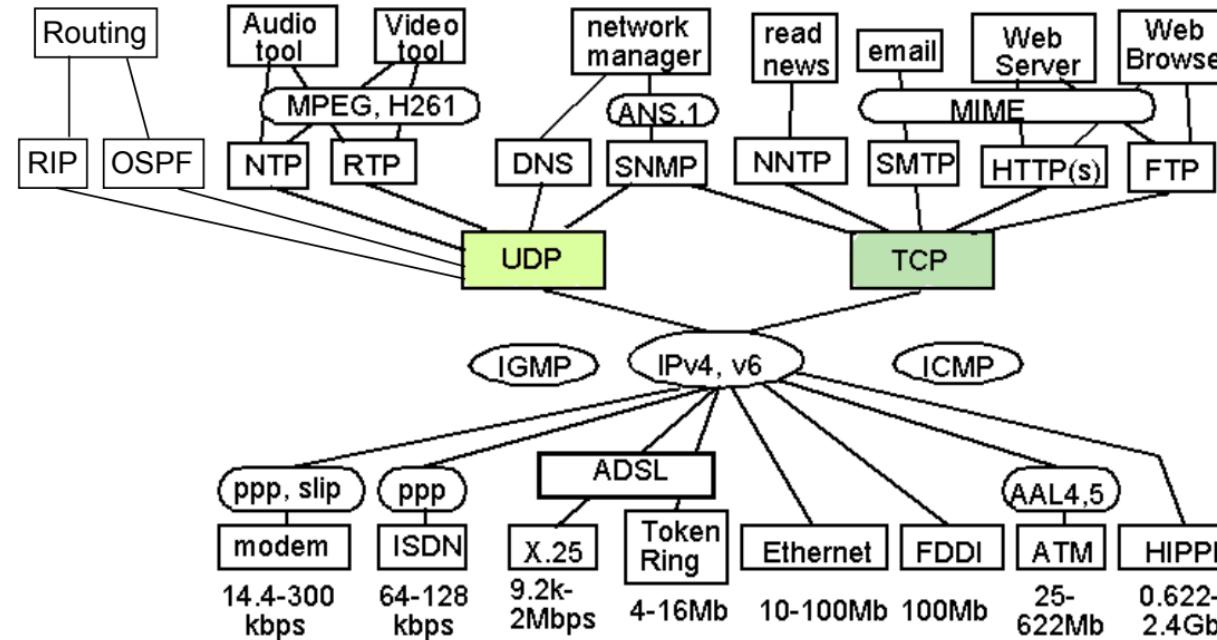
2. inserisco un'altra intestazione con scritto l'indirizzo di destinaz. di liv. 3  $\rightarrow$  INCAPSULAMENTO

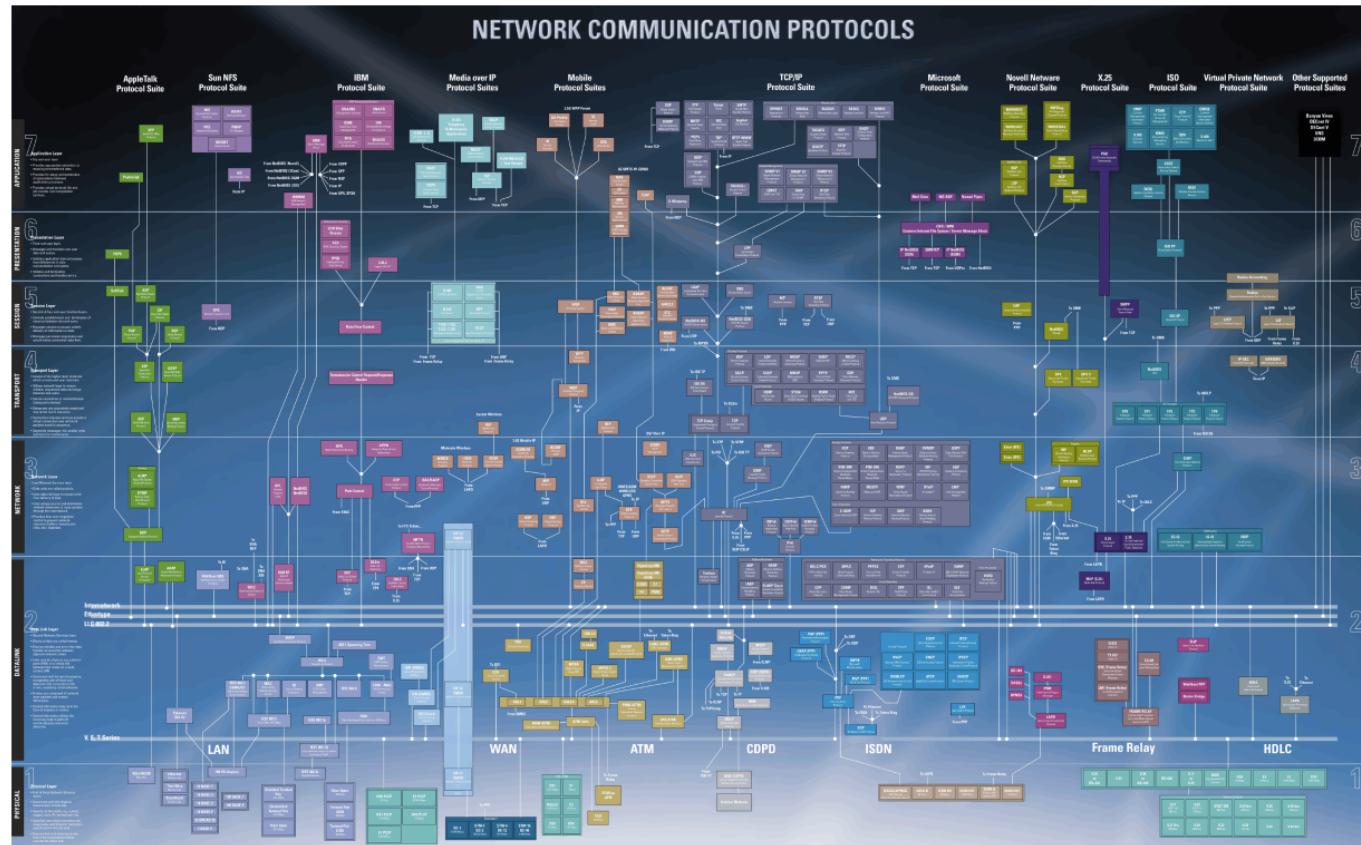
$\hookrightarrow$  noi siamo dei router e dobbiamo reinstradare i pacchetti che non sono per noi.

$\hookrightarrow$  può succedere che un pacchetto si perda per errori di trasmissioni

3. il livello 4 deve "sbustare", riordinare e se manca qualcosa farsi rinviare tutto mandando un messaggio di rinvio una volta che c'è tutto e ricostruisce il messaggio complessivo

# Internet Architecture: protocol graph





See at <http://www.tehowners.com/info/Internet%20&%20Communication/Network%20Protocol.gif>

# Internet Architecture

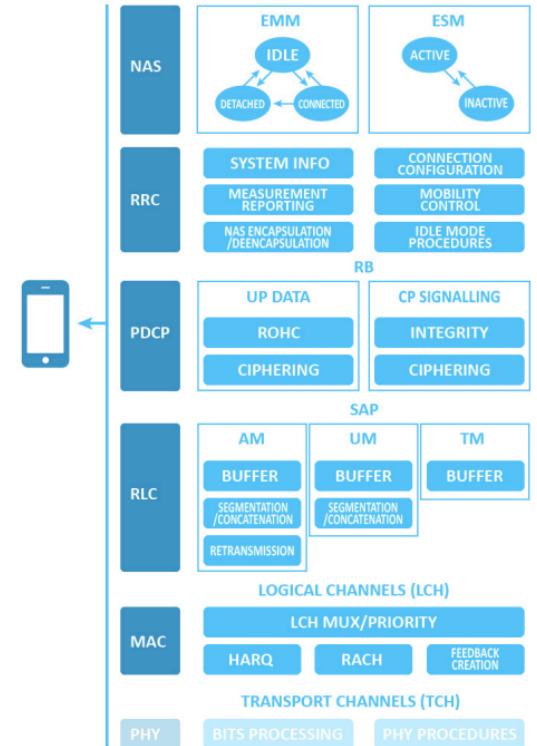
- Defined by IETF
  - La TCP-IP ha vinto sulle altre scelte:  
(es. APPLETALK)
- Three main features
  - Does not imply strict layering. The application can bypass the defined transport layers and to directly use IP or other underlying networks
  - An hour-glass shape - wide at the top, narrow in the middle and wide at the bottom. IP serves as the focal point for the architecture
  - In order for a new protocol to be officially included in the architecture, it must be provided both a protocol specification and at least one (preferably two) representative implementations

- architettura a CLASSE IP : con un solo protocollo di rete (IPv4, IPv6) basta implementare solo IP nelle nuove tecnologie e tutto quello sopra IP automaticamente funziona.  
Nell'esempio fatto in classe se cambiassimo la busta che gira, tutto il resto poi funziona.  
↳ è facile aggiungere NUOVI PROTOCOLLI

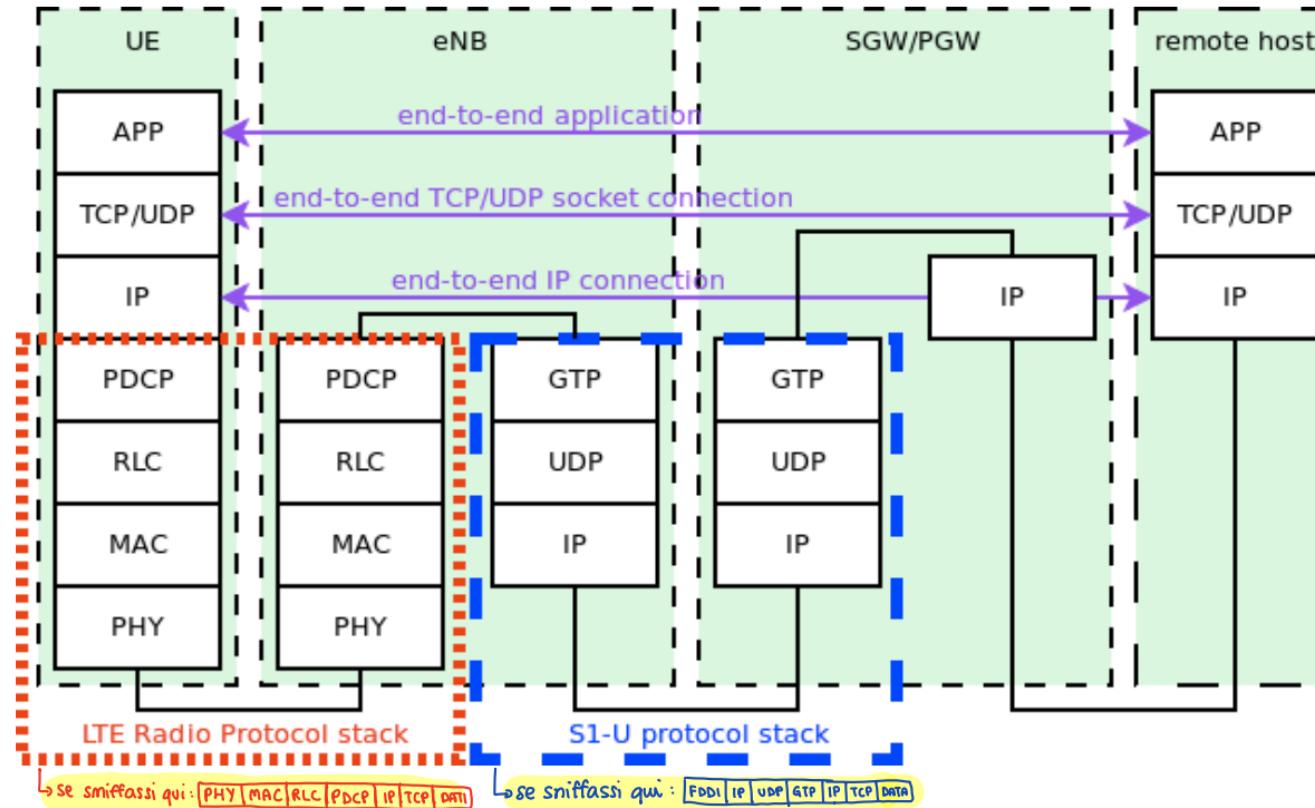
## Other example: LTE-EPC (4G) stack

=> un altro tipo di STACK

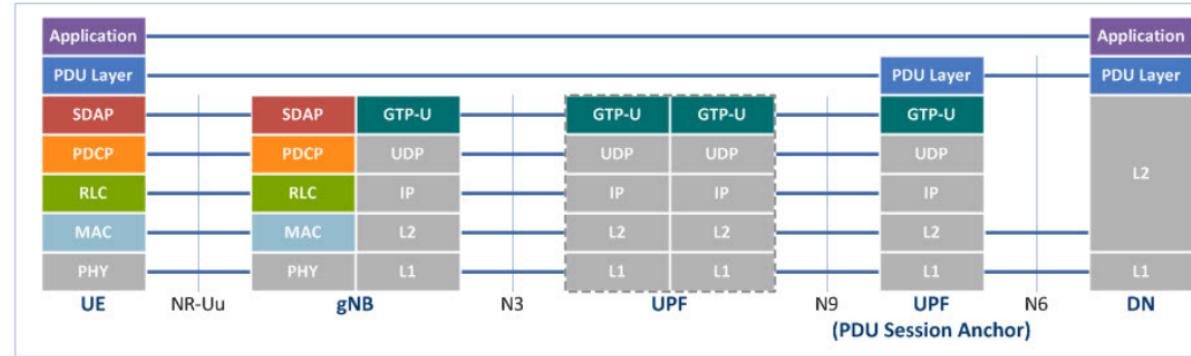
- **LTE = Long Term Evolution**
- Main goal: “to provide a high data rate, low latency and packet optimized radioaccess technology supporting flexible bandwidth deployments. Its network architecture has been designed with the goal to support packet-switched traffic with seamless mobility and great quality of service.”



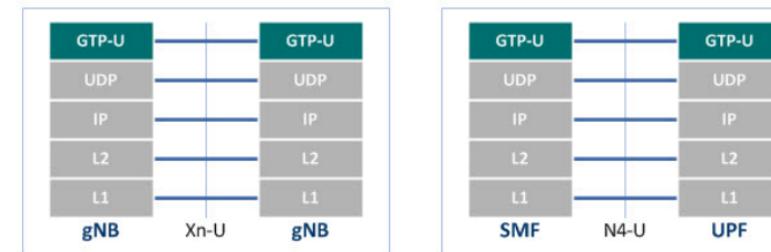
## Other example: LTE-EPC (4G) stack



# Other example: 5G stack



PDU Layer: IP, Ethernet, etc.



DN	: Data Network
gNB	: Next generation NodeB
GTP-U	: GPRS Tunneling Protocol User plane
MAC	: Medium Access Control
PDCP	: Packet Data Convergence Protocol
PDU	: Protocol Data Unit

RLC	: Radio Link Control
SDAP	: Service Data Adaptation Protocol
SMF	: Session Management Function
UE	: User Equipment
UPF	: User Plane Function
Xn-U	: Xn User plane

# Stratified architectures: limits

- Not all services can fit easily in some layer
- Some services are *inherently cross-layer*
  - Security services
  - Quality of service

↳ quelli che riguardano la qualità, es. garantire che i pacchetti arrivino entro tot.
- In fact, these are “modalities”, i.e. these describe how other services are offered
- In these cases, we implement them in one, some or even all layers...