

Introduction



DATA COMMUNICATIONS

• The term telecommunication means communication at a distance. The word data refers to information presented in whatever form is agreed upon by the parties creating and using the data.

• Data communications are the exchange of data between two devices via some form of transmission medium such as a wire cable or may be wireless.



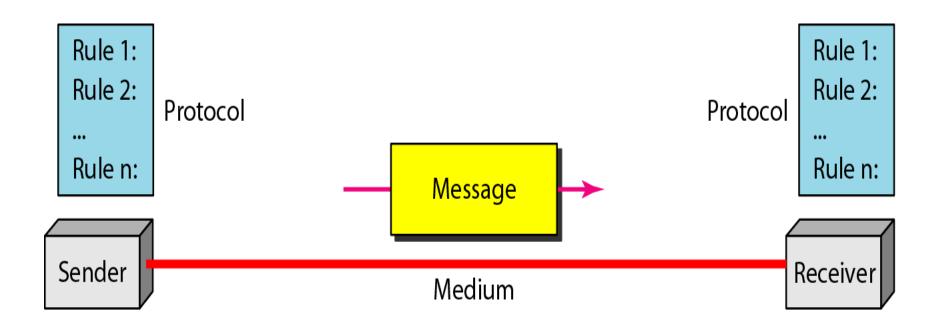
Effectiveness of Data Communication

Four Fundamental Characteristics

- Delivery
- Accuracy
- Timeliness -- real time
- Jitter



Components of a Data Communication System





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Five Components:

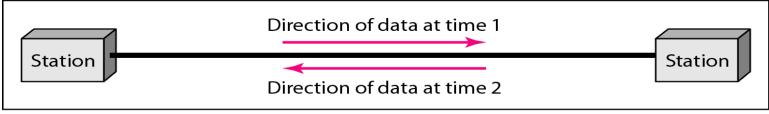
- Message- Text, Number, Image, Audio, Video
- Sender
- Receiver
- Transmission Medium
- Protocol



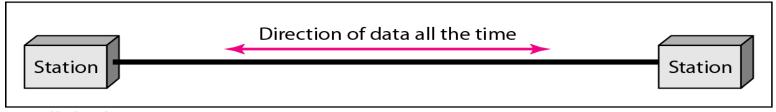
Data flow (Simplex, Half-duplex, and Full-duplex



a. Simplex



b. Half-duplex



c. Full-duplex



NETWORKS

• A network is a set of devices (often referred to as nodes) connected by communication links. A node can be a computer, printer, or any other device capable of sending and/or receiving data generated by other nodes on the network.

• A link can be a cable, air, optical fiber, or any medium which can transport a signal carrying information.



Network Criteria

Performance

- Depends on Network Elements- Transmit time, Response Time, Number of users, type of transmission medium, hardware, software.
- Measured in terms of Delay and Throughput

Reliability

- Failure rate of network components.
- Time to recover from a failure.
- Measured in terms of availability/robustness

Security

- Data protection against corruption/loss of data due to:
 - Errors
 - Malicious users/ Unauthorized access.

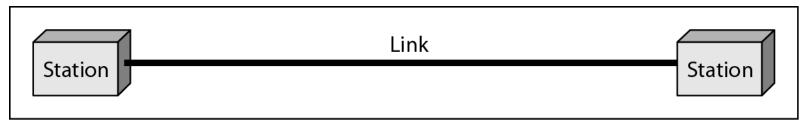


Physical Structures

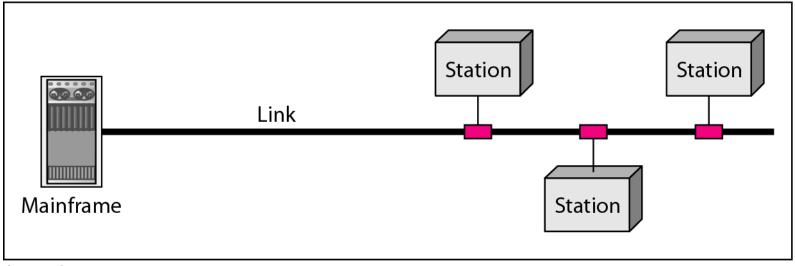
- Type of Connection
 - Point to Point single transmitter and receiver
 - Multipoint multiple recipients of single transmission
- Physical Topology
 - Connection of devices
 - Type of transmission unicast, mulitcast, broadcast



Types of connections: point-to-point and multipoint



a. Point-to-point



b. Multipoint



Uses of Computer Network

- Business Applications
- Home Applications
- Mobile Users
- Social Issues



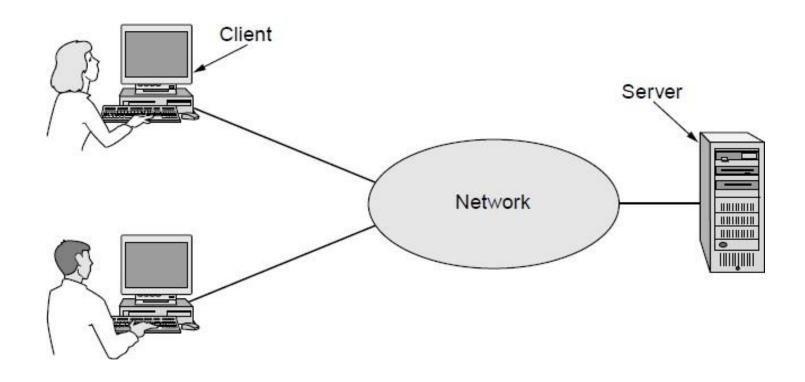
Business Applications

Resource sharing such as printers and storage devices

• Exchange of information by means of e-Mails and FTP



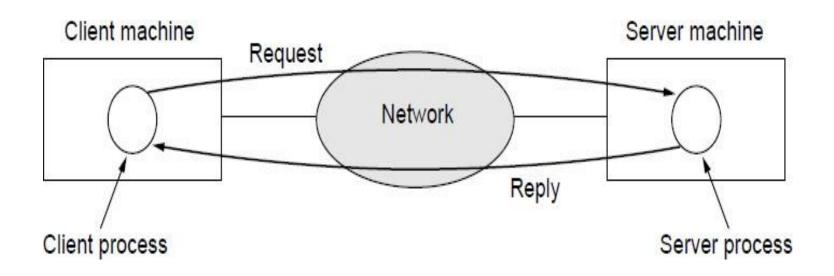
Business Applications (1)



A network with two clients and one server



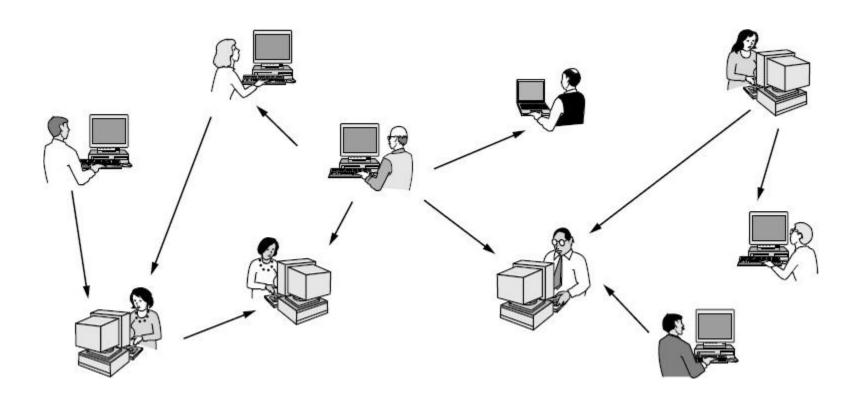
Business Applications (2)



The client-server model involves requests and replies



Home Applications (1)



In a peer-to-peer system there are no fixed clients and servers.



Home Applications (2)

Some forms of e-commerce

Tag	Full name	Example
B2C	Business-to-consumer	Ordering books online
B2B	Business-to-business	Car manufacturer ordering tires from supplier
G2C	Government-to-consumer	Government distributing tax forms electronically
C2C	Consumer-to-consumer	Auctioning second-hand products online
P2P	Peer-to-peer	Music sharing



Mobile Users

Combinations of wireless networks and mobile

Wireless	Mobile	Typical applications
No	No	Desktop computers in offices
No	Yes	A notebook computer used in a hotel room
Yes	No	Networks in unwired buildings
Yes	Yes	Store inventory with a handheld computer



Social Issues

- Network neutrality
- Digital Millennium Copyright Act
- Profiling users
- Phishing



PROTOCOLS

- A protocol is synonymous with rule. It consists of a set of rules that govern data communications. It determines what is communicated, how it is communicated and when it is communicated.
- The key elements of a protocol are
 - Syntax
 - Semantics
 - Timing



Elements of a Protocol

• Syntax

- Structure or format of the data
- Indicates how to read the bits field delineation

Semantics

- Interprets the meaning of the bits
- Knows which fields define what action

Timing

- When data should be sent and what
- Speed at which data should be sent or speed at which it is being received.



Types of Network

- Wired Networks
- high bandwidth
- low bandwidth variability
- can listen on wire
- high power machines
- high resource machines
- low delay
- connected operation

- Mobile Networks
- low bandwidth
- high bandwidth variability
- hidden terminal problem
- low power machines
- low resource machines
- higher delay
- disconnected operation

-No Mobility.

Mobility.



The End

