EXPERIMENT 1

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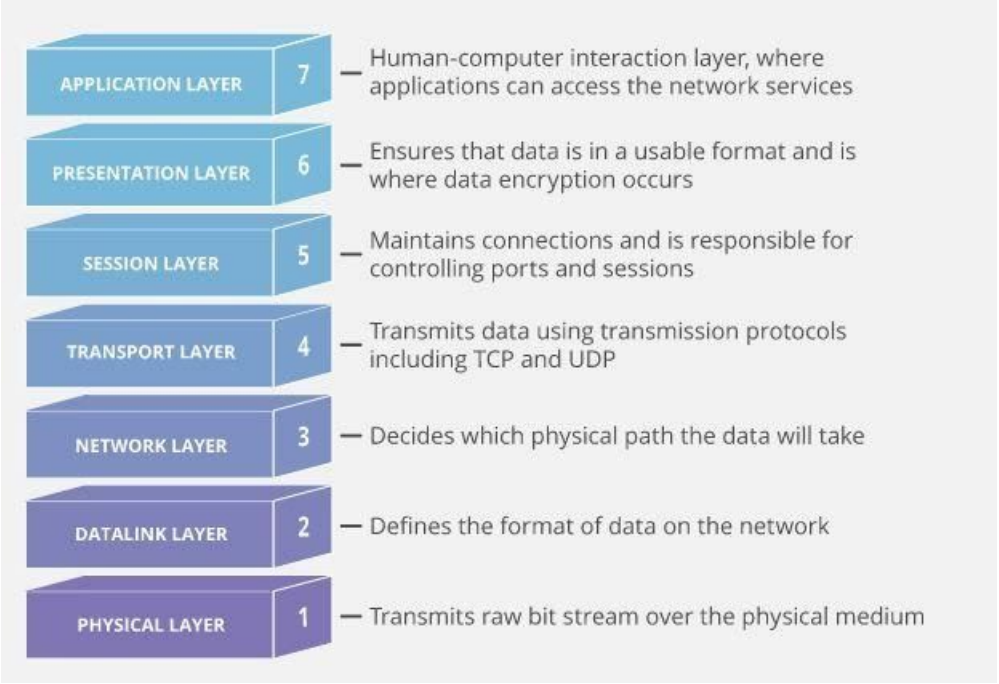
Aim: Study the different types of physical layer wired and wireless connections.

Theory:

What is the OSI model? [1]

The Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model is a conceptual model created by the International Organization for Standardization which enables diverse communication systems to communicate using standard protocols. In plain English, the OSI provides a standard for different computer systems to be able to communicate with each other.

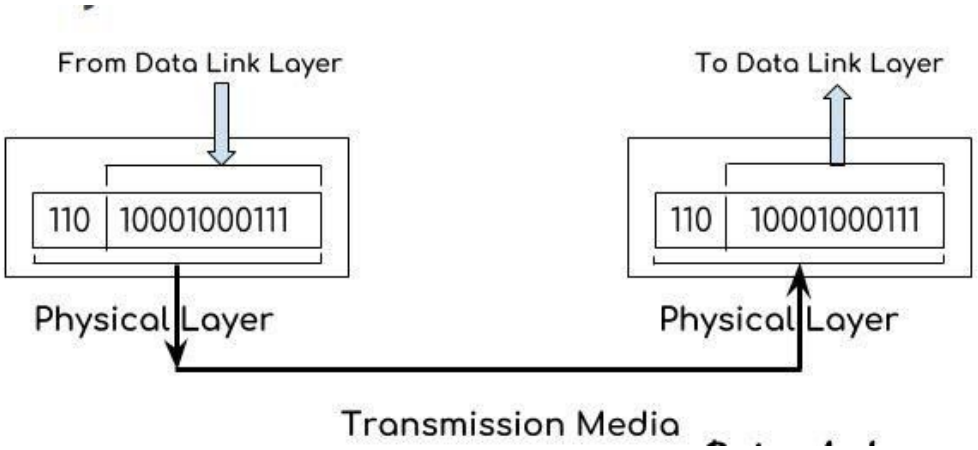
The OSI model can be seen as a universal language for computer networking. It's based on the concept of splitting up a communication system into seven abstract layers, each one stacked upon the last.



Each layer of the OSI model handles a specific job and communicates with the layers above and below itself.

Physical Layer [2 & 3]

The lowest layer of the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) reference model is the physical layer. It is responsible for the actual physical connection between the devices. The physical layer contains information in the form of bits.



It is responsible for sending bits from one computer to another. This layer is not concerned with the meaning of the bits and deals with the setup of physical connection to the network and with transmission and reception of signals.This layer defines the rate of transmission which is the number of bits per second.
This layer connects devices with the medium: Point to Point configuration and Multipoint configuration. Devices must be connected using the following topologies: Mesh, Star, Ring and Bus.
Physical Layer defines the direction of transmission between two devices: Simplex, Half Duplex, Full Duplex.Deals with baseband and broadband transmission.

Wired Connections [4]

Signals being transmitted are directed and confined in a narrow pathway by using physical links.
Wired connections are by far the most common. The main media in use are coaxial cable, twisted pairs and fibre optics It must also support two-way or multiway communications.
Features:

- High Speed
- Secure
- Used for comparatively shorter distances

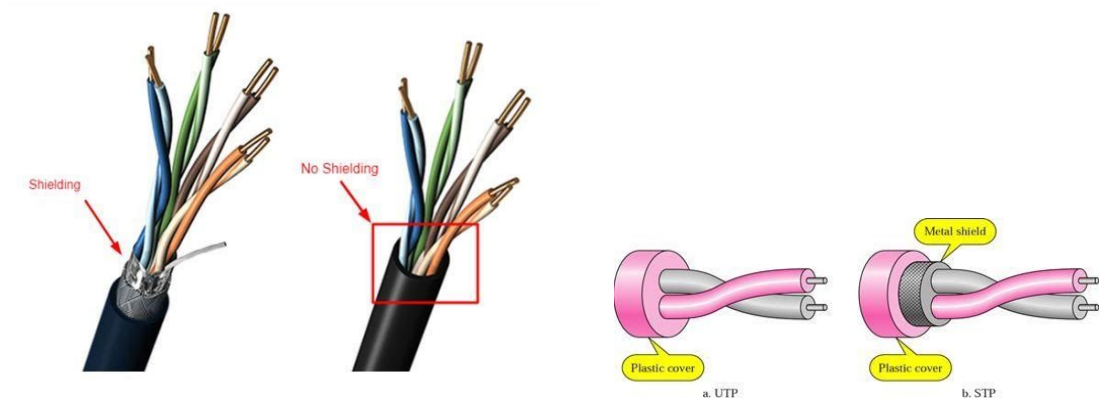
There are 3 major types of Wired Media:

- **Twisted Pair Cable**
- **Coaxial Cable**
- **Optical Fibre Cable**

1)Twisted Pair Cable [5]

Twisted pair cables are widely used in the transferring information, especially over long a distances. The twist in the cable cancels out any magnetic interference that may develop in the wiring.

It consists of 2 separately insulated conductor wires wound about each other. Generally, several such pairs are bundled together in a protective sheath. They are the most widely used Transmission Media.
There are two common types of twisted pair cabling, STP and UTP. The S represents Shielded, the U represents Unshielded, and the TP represents the twisted pair for both.



1.1)Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP):

This type of cable has the ability to block interference and does not depend on a physical shield for this purpose. It is used for telephonic applications.
Advantages:

- Least expensive
- Easy to install
- High speed capacity
- Susceptible to external interference
- Lower capacity and performance in comparison to STP
- Short distance transmission due to attenuation

Scalability:
Higher grades of UTP are used in LAN technologies like Ethernet.

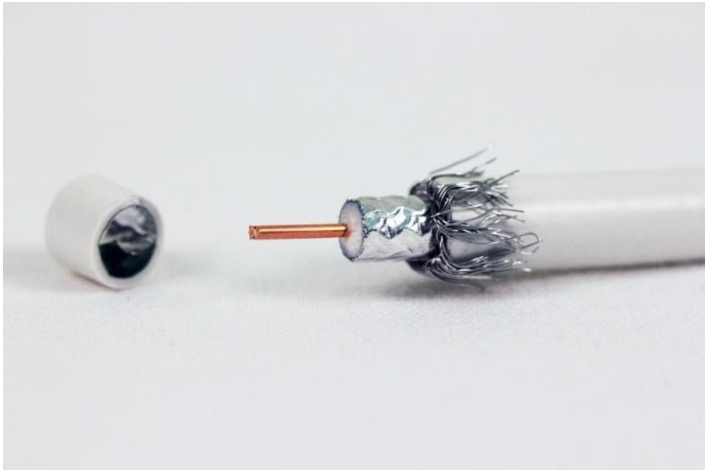
1.2)Shielded Twisted Pair (STP):

This type of cable consists of a special jacket to block external interference. It is used in fast-data-rate Ethernet and in voice and data channels of telephone lines.
Advantages:

- Better performance at a higher data rate in comparison to UTP
- Eliminates crosstalk
- Comparitively faster
- Comparitively difficult to install and manufacture
- More expensive
- Bulky

2)Coaxial Cable [6]

It has an outer plastic covering containing 2 parallel conductors each having a separate insulated protection cover. Coaxial cable transmits information in two modes: Baseband mode(dedicated cable bandwidth) and Broadband mode(cable bandwidth is split into separate ranges).



Coaxial cable is commonly used by cable operators, telephone companies, and internet providers around the world to convey data, video, and voice communications to customers. It has also been used extensively within homes.

It has been around for a long time as a technology (since the early 20th century) and has many singular advantages for reliable, accurate transmission.

Advantages:

- High Bandwidth
- Better noise Immunity
- Easy to install and expand
- Inexpensive

It also has limitations that will cause it to be replaced in some cases by fiber optic cable, category cable or, sometimes, by wireless signals.

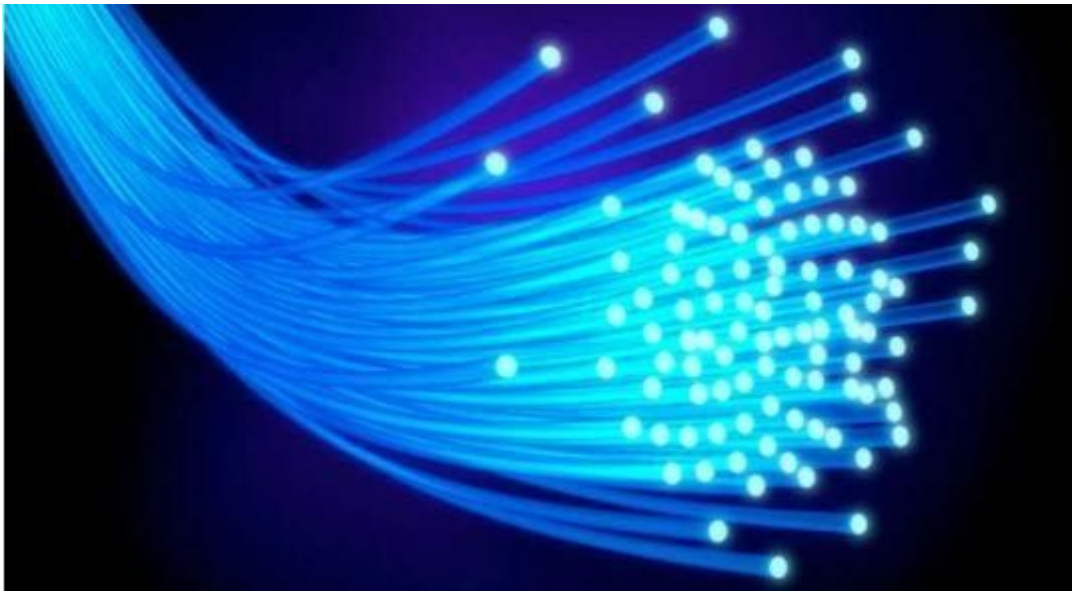
Disadvantages:

- Single cable failure can disrupt the entire network.

3)Optical Fibre Cable [7]

It uses the concept of reflection of light through a core made up of glass or plastic. The core is surrounded by a less dense glass or plastic covering called the cladding. It is used for transmission of large volumes of data.

The cable can be unidirectional or bidirectional. The WDM (Wavelength Division Multiplexer) supports two modes, namely unidirectional and bidirectional mode.



It uses a principle known as total internal reflection. Fiber optic cable is actually composed of two layers of glass: The core, which carries the actual light signal, and the cladding, which is a layer of glass surrounding the core. The cladding has a lower refractive index than the core. This causes Total Internal Reflection within the core. Most fibers operate in duplex pairs: one fiber is used to transmit and the other is used to receive. But it is possible to send both signals over a single strand. Each type of fiber has different properties with its own advantages and disadvantages.

Advantages:

- Increased capacity and bandwidth
- Light weight
- Less signal attenuation
- Immunity to electromagnetic interference
- Resistance to corrosive materials

Disadvantages:

- Difficult to install and maintain
- High cost
- Fragile

Scalability:

Used in CAN networks.

Some Technologies used in wired media:

1)Universal Serial Bus [8]

Universal Serial Bus (**USB**) is an industry standard that establishes specifications for cables and connectors and protocols for connection, communication and power supply (interfacing) between computers, peripherals and other computers. A broad variety of USB hardware exists, including several different connectors, of which USB-C is the most recent.

Released in 1996, the USB standard is currently maintained by the USB Implementers Forum (USB-IF). There have been four generations of USB specifications: USB 1.x, USB 2.0, USB 3.x and USB4.

Specifications:

● **Range**:

- The USB 1.1 standard specifies that a standard cable can have a maximum length of 5 meters (16 ft 5 in) with devices operating at full speed (12 Mbit/s), and a maximum length of 3 meters (9 ft 10 in) with devices operating at low speed (1.5 Mbit/s).
- USB 2.0 provides for a maximum cable length of 5 meters (16 ft 5 in) for devices running at high speed (480 Mbit/s).
- The USB 3.0 standard does not directly specify a maximum cable length, requiring only that all cables meet an electrical specification: for copper cabling with AWG 26 wires, the maximum practical length is 3 meters (9 ft 10 in).

● **Modulation :**

- At the input, the device communicates via MIDI and USB protocols. At the output is tension. Its value is managing by pulse-width modulation.
- Pulse-width modulation (PWM) is used for controlling the amplitude of digital signals in order to control devices and applications requiring power or electricity. It essentially controls the amount of power, from the perspective of the voltage component, that is given to a

device by cycling the on-and-off phases of a digital signal quickly and varying the width of the "on" phase or duty cycle.

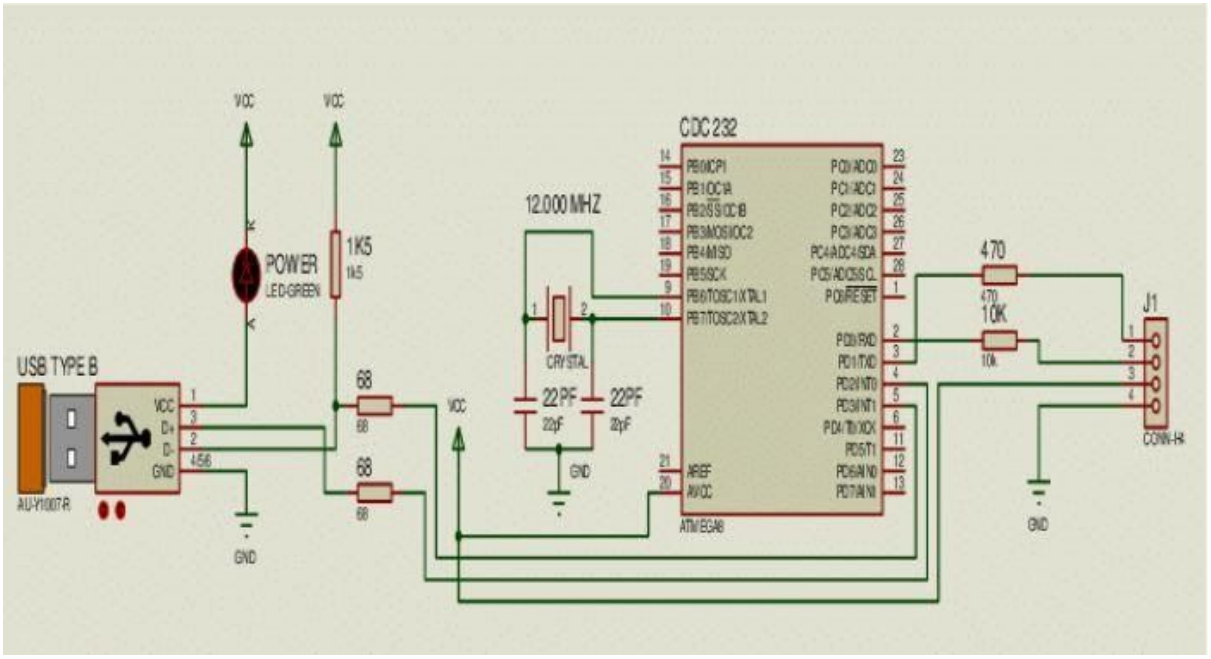
● **Scalability :**

- USB's are used mostly in Wired Personal Area Networks (WPAN).

Maximum transfer rates for each USB version: [9]

USB VERSION	RELEASE DATE	NAME	TRANSFER RATES
USB 1.0	January 1996	Full speed	12 Mbps
USB 1.1	August 1998	Full speed	12 Mbps
USB 2.0	April 2000	High Speed	480 Mbps
USB 3.0	November 2008	SuperSpeed	5 Gbps
USB 3.1	July 2013	SuperSpeed+	10 Gbps
USB 3.2	September 2017	SuperSpeed+	20 Gbps

Schematic View:



2)Ethernet [10]

Ethernet is the traditional technology for connecting devices in a wired local area network (LAN) or wide area network (WAN), enabling them to communicate with each other via a protocol -- a set of rules or common network language. Ethernet describes how network devices can format and

transmit data so other devices on the same local or campus area network segment can recognize, receive and process the information. An Ethernet cable is the physical, encased wiring over which the data travels.

Connected devices accessing a geographically localized network with a cable -- that is, with a wired rather than wireless connection -- likely use Ethernet. From businesses to gamers, diverse end users depend on the benefits of Ethernet connectivity, which include reliability and security.

Ethernet Variants:

Name	IEEE Standard	Data Rate	Media Type	Maximum Distance
Ethernet	802.3	10 Mbps	10Base-T	100 meters
Fast Ethernet/ 100Base-T	802.3u	100 Mbps	100Base-TX 100Base-FX	100 meters 2000 meters
Gigabit Ethernet/ GigE	802.3z	1000 Mbps	1000Base-T 1000Base-SX 1000Base-LX	100 meters 275/550 meters 550/5000 meters
10 Gigabit Ethernet	IEEE 802.3ae	10 Gbps	10GBase-SR 10GBase-LX4 10GBase-LR/ER 10GBase-SW/LW/EW	300 meters 300m MMF/ 10km SMF 10km/40km 300m/10km/40km

Fast Ethernet

The Fast Ethernet standard (IEEE 802.3u) has been established for Ethernet networks that need higher transmission speeds. This standard raises the Ethernet speed limit from 10 Mbps to 100 Mbps with only minimal changes to the existing cable structure. Fast Ethernet provides faster throughput for video, multimedia, graphics, Internet surfing and stronger error detection and correction.

There are three types of Fast Ethernet: 100BASE-TX for use with level 5 UTP cable; 100BASE-FX for use with fiber-optic cable; and 100BASE-T4 which utilizes an extra two wires for use with level 3 UTP cable. The 100BASE-TX standard has become the most popular due to its close compatibility with the 10BASE-T Ethernet standard.

Gigabit Ethernet

Gigabit Ethernet was developed to meet the need for faster communication networks with applications such as multimedia and Voice over IP (VoIP). Also known as "gigabit-Ethernet-over-copper" or 1000Base-T, GigE is a version of Ethernet that runs at speeds 10 times faster than 100Base-T. It is defined in the IEEE 802.3 standard and is currently used as an enterprise backbone. Existing Ethernet LANs with 10 and 100 Mbps cards can feed into a Gigabit Ethernet backbone to interconnect high performance switches, routers and servers.

10 Gigabit Ethernet

10 Gigabit Ethernet is the fastest and most recent of the Ethernet standards. IEEE 802.3ae defines a version of Ethernet with a nominal rate of 10Gbits/s that makes it 10 times faster than Gigabit Ethernet.

Unlike other Ethernet systems, 10 Gigabit Ethernet is based entirely on the use of optical fiber connections. This developing standard is moving away from a LAN design that broadcasts to all nodes, toward a system which includes some elements of wide area routing. As it is still very new, which of the standards will gain commercial acceptance has yet to be determined.

Specifications:

● **Range**

Over deployed multi-mode cabling ethernet supports ranges of between 240 m and 300 m with 400/500 MHz·km modal bandwidth. It also supports 10 km over single-mode fiber.

● **Scalability**

- Ethernet is a family of computer networking technologies commonly used in local area networks (LAN), metropolitan area networks (MAN), and wide area networks(WAN).
- Ethernet is currently the most widely used technology in enterprise networking. Unfortunately, it is widely acknowledged that Ethernet does not have the scalability to meet the emerging networking needs of large enterprises.
- Ethernet does not scale well to large networks. The flat MAC address space, whilst having obvious benefits for the user and administrator, is the primary cause of this poor scalability.
- Ethernet exhibits scalability issues on networks of more than a few thousand devices, such as costly and energy-dense address table logic and storms of broadcast traffic. Ethernet's inability to handle networks containing loops also presents a scalability problem.

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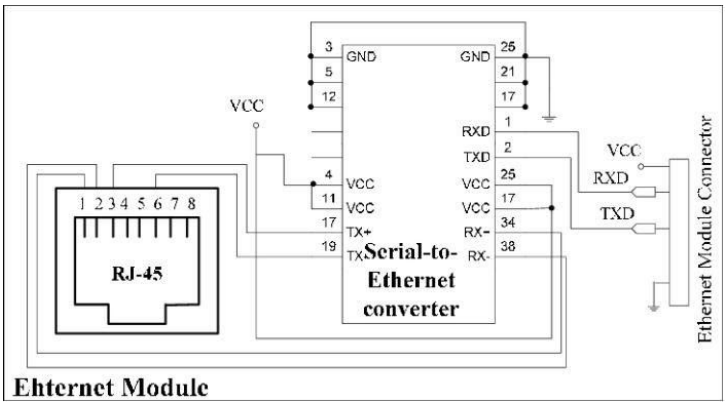

Wireless Connections:

Computer networks that are not connected by cables are called wireless networks. They generally use radio waves for communication between the network nodes. They allow devices to be connected to the network while roaming around within the network coverage.

1)Bluetooth [11]

Bluetooth is a wireless technology standard used for exchanging data between fixed and mobile devices over short distances using short-wavelength UHF radio waves in the industrial, scientific and medical radio bands, from 2.402 GHz to 2.480 GHz, and building personal area networks (PANs). It was originally conceived as a wireless alternative to RS-232 data cables.

The IEEE standardized Bluetooth as IEEE 802.15.1, but no longer maintains the standard. The Bluetooth SIG oversees development of the specification, manages the qualification program, and protects the trademarks. A manufacturer must meet Bluetooth SIG standards to market it as a Bluetooth device. A network of patents apply to the technology, which are licensed to individual qualifying devices

Specifications:

Bluetooth operates at frequencies between 2.402 and 2.480 **GHz**, or 2.400 and 2.4835 **GHz** including guard bands 2 MHz wide at the bottom end and 3.5 MHz wide at the top. This is in the globally unlicensed (but not unregulated) industrial, scientific and medical (ISM) 2.4 **GHz** short-**range** radio frequency band.

Physical range: Typically less than 10 m (33 ft)

● **Modulation [12]**

- The format originally chosen for Bluetooth in version 1 was Gaussian frequency shift keying, GFSK, however with the requirement for higher data rates two forms of phase shift keying were introduced for Bluetooth 2 to provide the Enhanced Data Rate, EDR capability.
- The enhanced data rate capability for Bluetooth modulation is implemented as an additional capability so that the system remains backwards compatible.
- The Bluetooth modulation schemes and the general format do not lend themselves to carrying higher data rates. For Bluetooth 3, the higher data rates are not achieved by changing the format of the Bluetooth modulation, but by working cooperatively with an IEEE 802.11g physical layer. In this way data rates of up to around 25 Mbps can be achieved.

● Scalability

- Bluetooth uses short-range radio waves. Uses in a WPAN include, for example, Bluetooth devices such as keyboards, pointing devices, audio headsets, printers may connect to smartwatches, cell phones, or computers.
- A Bluetooth WPAN is also called a piconet, and is composed of up to 8 active devices in a master-slave relationship (a very large number of additional devices can be connected in "parked" mode).
- The first Bluetooth device in the piconet is the master, and all other devices are slaves that communicate with the master.
- A piconet typically has a range of 10 metres (33 ft), although ranges of up to 100 metres (330 ft) can be reached under ideal circumstances. Long-range Bluetooth routers with augmented antenna arrays connect Bluetooth devices up to 1,000 feet.

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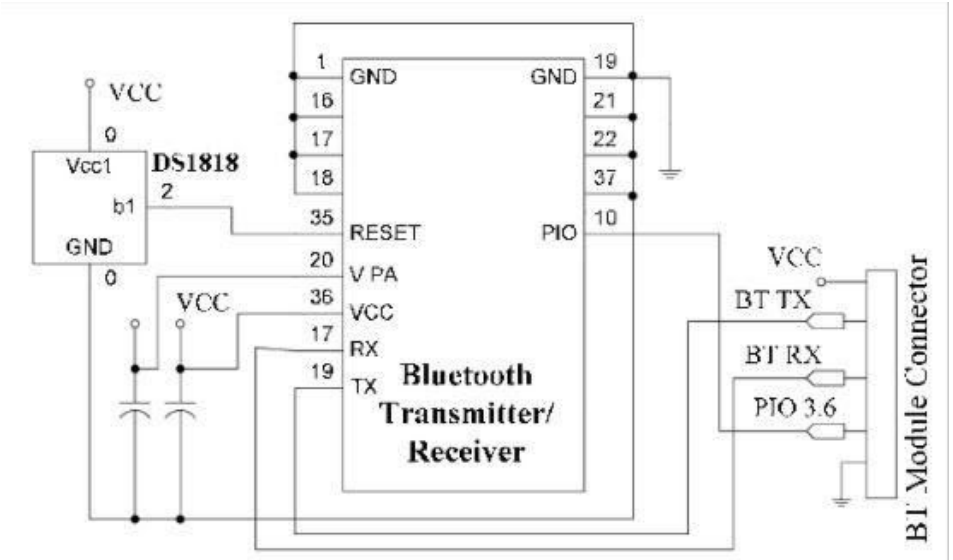

Bluetooth Module

The Bluetooth Module is a low-power embedded Bluetooth v2.0+EDR module with a built-in high-output antenna. The module is a fully Bluetooth compliant device for data communication with a transmission power of up to +8dBm and receiver sensibility of down to -83dBm combined with low power consumption. The Bluetooth Module delivers opportunities for rapid ad-hoc connections and

the possibility of automatic, unconscious, connections between WPCOMs. The complete circuit diagram of the Bluetooth Module is given in the figure.

2)Near Field Communication(NFC) [13]

Near-field communication (NFC) is a short-range wireless technology that makes your smartphone, tablet, wearables, payment cards, and other devices even smarter. Near-field communication is the ultimate in connectivity. With NFC, you can transfer information between devices quickly and easily with a single touch—whether paying bills, exchanging business cards, downloading coupons, or sharing a research paper.

Near-field communication transmits data through electromagnetic radio fields to enable two devices to communicate with each other. To work, both devices must contain NFC chips, as transactions take place within a very short distance. NFC-enabled devices must be either physically touching or within a few centimeters of each other for data transfer to occur.Because the receiving device reads your data the instant you send it, near-field communications (NFCs) greatly reduce the chance of human error. Rest assured, for example, that you cannot purchase something unknowingly because of a pocket-dial or by walking past a location that's embedded with an NFC chip (called a "smart poster"). With near-field communication, you must perform an action intentionally.

Specifications:

● **Range**

NFC is a set of short-range wireless technologies, typically requiring a separation of 10 cm or less. **NFC** operates at 13.56 MHz on ISO/IEC 18000-3 air interface and at rates ranging from 106 kbit/s to 424 kbit/s. ... They can be custom-encoded by their manufacturers or use **NFC** Forum **specifications**.

● **Modulation**

NFC employs two different coding systems on the RF signal to transfer data. In most cases a level of 10% **modulation** is used, with a Manchester coding format. However for an active device transmitting data at 106 kbps, a modified Miller coding scheme is used with 100% **modulation**.

3)Wireless Fidelity(WiFi) [14]

Wi-Fi is a family of wireless network protocols, based on the IEEE 802.11 family of standards, which are commonly used for local area networking of devices and Internet access. Wi-Fi uses multiple parts of the IEEE 802 protocol family and is designed to interwork seamlessly with its wired sibling

Ethernet. Compatible devices can network through wireless access points to each other as well as to wired devices and the Internet.

Wi-Fi stations communicate by sending each other data packets: blocks of data individually sent and delivered over radio. As with all radio, this is done by the modulating and demodulation of carrier waves. Different versions of Wi-Fi use different techniques, 802.11b uses DSSS on a single carrier, whereas 802.11a, Wi-Fi 4, 5 and 6 use multiple carriers on slightly different frequencies within the channel (OFDM).

Specifications:

● Range

- A wireless network's range can vary wildly depending on the type of network. A standard home network using one wireless router can serve a single-family dwelling, but often not much more.
- Business networks with grids of access points can serve large office buildings, and wireless hotspots spanning several square miles have been built in some cities.
- Wi-Fi can be used on several types of devices like personal computers, video game console, smart phones, digital camera, tablet computers etc. You can use Wi-Fi to create a hotspot within the **range** of 20 meters (66 feet).

● Modulation

- **WiFi** systems use two primary radio transmission techniques.
- The bit stream is processed with a special coding and then **modulated** using Quadrature Phase Shift Keying (QPSK). ... 802.11a and g (<=54 Mbps) − The 802.11a and g systems use 64-channel orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM).

● Scalability

- Compared to cell phones and similar technology, Wi-Fi transmitters are low power devices. In general, the maximum amount of power that a Wi-Fi device can transmit is limited by local regulations, such as FCC Part 15 in the US.
- Equivalent isotropically radiated power (EIRP) in the European Union is limited to 20 dBm (100 mW). To reach requirements for wireless LAN applications, Wi-Fi has higher power consumption compared to some other standards designed to support wireless personal area network (PAN) applications.

- For example, Bluetooth provides a much shorter propagation range between 1 and 100m[74] and so in general have a lower power consumption. Other low-power technologies such as ZigBee have fairly long range, but much lower data rate.
- The high power consumption of Wi-Fi makes battery life in some mobile devices a concern.

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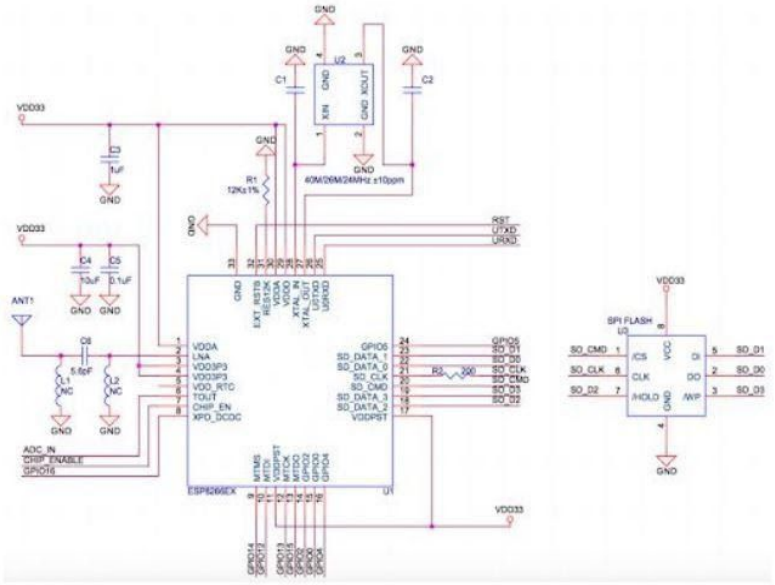
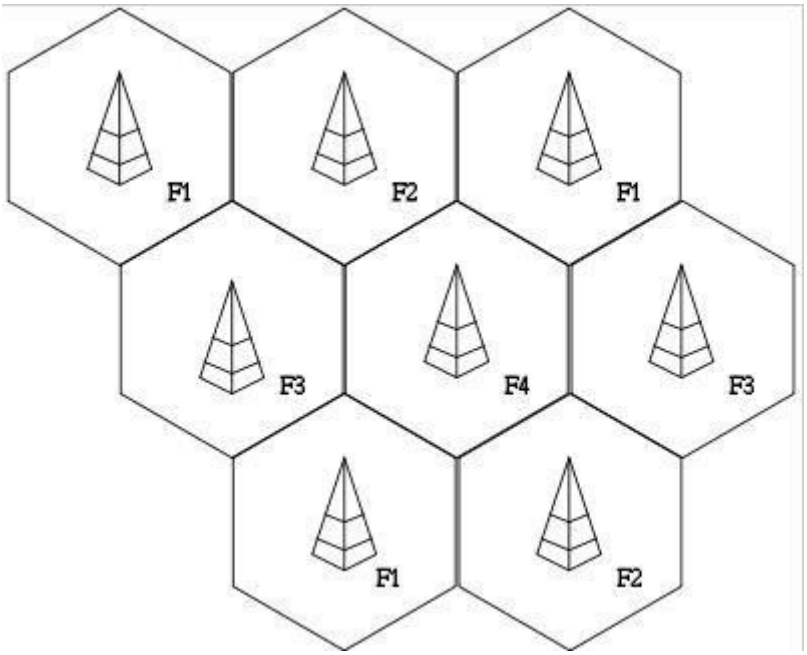


Schematic View ESP8266 - WiFi Module

ESP8266 has powerful on-board processing and storage capabilities that allow it to be integrated with the sensors and other application-specific devices through its GPIOs with minimal development up-front and minimal loading during runtime. Its high degree of on-chip integration allows for minimal external circuitry, and the entire solution, including the front-end module, is designed to occupy minimal PCB area. ESP8266 Serial Wifi Wireless Transceiver Module is suitable for Uno, Mega 2560, and Nano.

4)Cellular Network [15]

A **cellular network** or **mobile network** is a communication network where the last link is wireless. The network is distributed over land areas called "cells", each served by at least one fixed-location transceiver, but more normally, three cell sites or base transceiver stations.



Cellular networks offer a number of desirable features:

- More capacity than a single large transmitter, since the same frequency can be used for multiple links as long as they are in different cells
- Mobile devices use less power than with a single transmitter or satellite since the cell towers are closer
- Larger coverage area than a single terrestrial transmitter, since additional cell towers can be added indefinitely and are not limited by the horizon

5G

5G is the 5th generation mobile network. It is a new global wireless standard after 1G,2G, 3G, and 4G networks. 5G enables a new kind of network that is designed to connect virtually everyone and everything together including machines, objects, and devices.

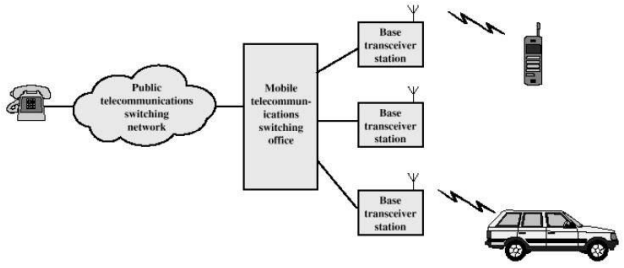
5G wireless technology is meant to deliver higher multi-Gbps peak data speeds, ultra low latency, more reliability, massive network capacity, increased availability, and a more uniform user experience to more users. Higher performance and improved efficiency empower new user experiences and connects new industries.

Specifications:

● Range

- A cellular network is used by the mobile phone operator to achieve both coverage and capacity for their subscribers. Large geographic areas are split into smaller cells to avoid line-of-sight signal loss and to support a large number of active phones in that area
- In cities, each cell site may have a range of up to approximately ½ mile (0.80 km), while in rural areas, the range could be as much as 5 miles (8.0 km). It is possible that in clear open areas, a user may receive signals from a cell site 25 miles (40 km) away.

Cellular System Overview: [16]



- Base Station (BS) – includes an antenna, a controller, and a number of receivers
- Mobile telecommunications switching office(MTSO) – connects calls between mobile units
- Two types of channels available between mobile unit and BS
  o Control channels – used to exchange information having to do with setting up and maintaining calls
  o Traffic channels – carry voice or data connection between users

5)Zigbee[17]

Zigbee is an IEEE 802.15.4-based specification for a suite of high-level communication protocols used to create personal area networks with small,low-power digital radios, such as for home automation, medical device data collection, and other low-power low-bandwidth needs, designed for small scale projects which need wireless connection. Hence, Zigbee is a low-power, low data rate, and close proximity (i.e., personal area) wireless ad hoc network.

Specifications:

● Range

- Its low power consumption limits transmission distances to 10–100 meters line-of-sight, depending on power output and environmental characteristics.
- Zigbee devices can transmit data over long distances by passing data through a mesh network of intermediate devices to reach more distant ones.
- Zigbee is typically used in low data rate applications that require long battery life and secure networking (Zigbee networks are secured by 128 bit symmetric encryption keys.)
- Zigbee has a defined rate of 250 kbit/s, best suited for intermittent data transmissions from a sensor or input device.

● Scalability

- The technology defined by the Zigbee specification is intended to be simpler and less expensive than other wireless personal area networks (WPANs), such as Bluetooth or more general wireless networking such as Wi-Fi.

- Applications include wireless light switches, home energy monitors, traffic management systems, and other consumer and industrial equipment that require short-range low-rate wireless data transfer.

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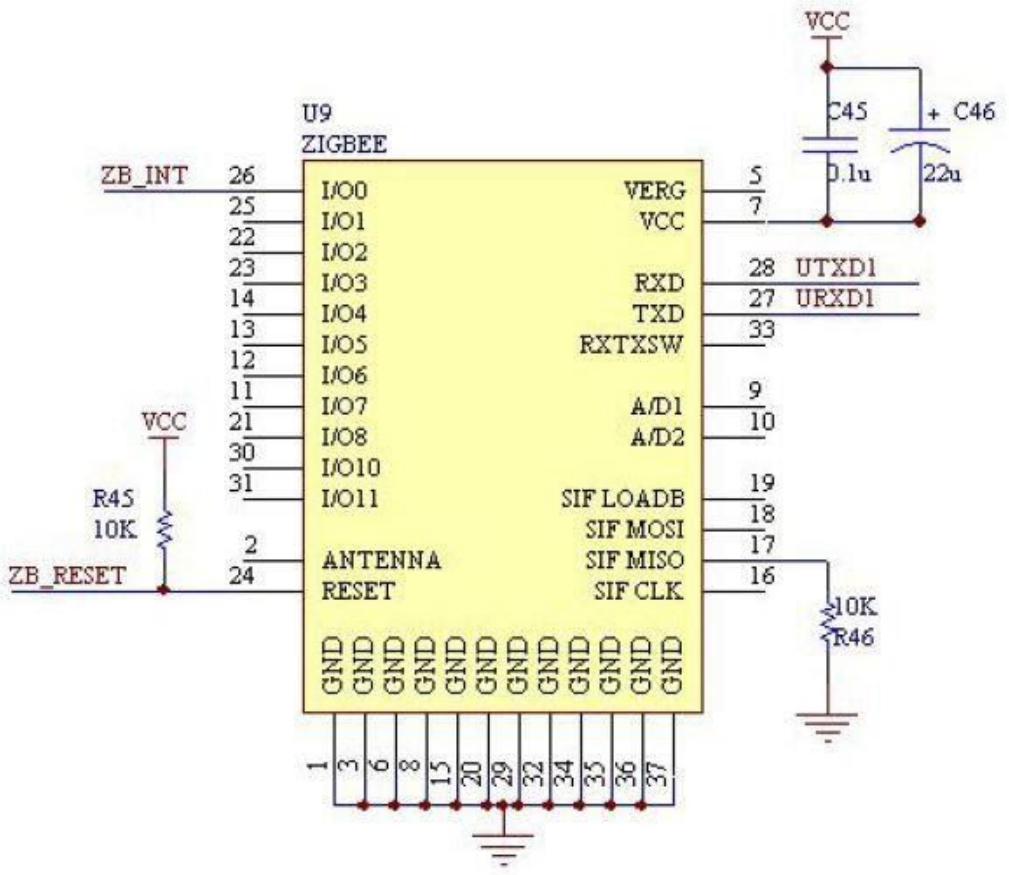

6)Light Fidelity(LiFi) [18]

LiFi is a wireless technology holds the key to solving challenges faced by 5G. LiFi can transmit at multiple gigabits, is more reliable, virtually interference free and uniquely more secure than radio technology such as Wi-Fi or cellular. LiFi is a mobile wireless technology that uses light rather than radio frequencies to transmit data. The technology is supported by a global ecosystem of companies driving the adoption of LiFi, the next generation of wireless that is ready for seamless integration into the 5G core. Li-Fi is a derivative of optical wireless communications (OWC) technology, which uses light from light-emitting diodes (LEDs) as a medium to deliver network, mobile, high-speed communication in a similar manner to Wi-Fi.[4] The Li-Fi market was projected to have a compound

annual growth rate of 82% from 2013 to 2018 and to be worth over $6 billion per year by 2018. However, the market has not developed as such and Li-Fi remains with a niche market, mainly for technology evaluation.

Specifications:

Security:

Radio waves can be intercepted by people outside your network since they can pass through walls compromising the security of your data. But light is stopped by opaque objects making LiFi significantly more secure than other wireless technologies. You wont have to worry about leaking your connection to public spaces potentially giving other people access to your network. Some rooms could even be designated as high- security areas with their own LiFi networks, isolating them from other areas of the building where vulnerable IoT devices might be connected.

Range:

The fact that light cant penetrate through walls might be a good thing when it comes to security but this also means that LiFi has a very limited range. That means you can only use it effectively in closed spaces. In establishments, lights must be tactically placed in rooms, and halls to expand the scope of the LiFi network. In open spaces, Wi-Fis coverage can go up to 32 meters but LiFi can only go up to 10 meters.

Scalability:

The technology defined by the LiFi specification is intended to be used as a wireless personal area networks (WPANs), such as WiFi or more general wireless networking.

7)WiMax [19]

WiMAX is one of the hottest broadband wireless technologies around today. WiMAX systems are expected to deliver broadband access services to residential and enterprise customers in an economical way. Loosely, WiMax is a standardized wireless version of Ethernet intended primarily as an alternative to wire technologies (such as Cable Modems, DSL and T1/E1 links) to provide broadband access to customer premises.

More strictly, WiMAX is an industry trade organization formed by leading communications, component, and equipment companies to promote and certify compatibility and interoperability of broadband wireless access equipment that conforms to the IEEE 802.16 and ETSI HIPERMAN standards. WiMAX would operate similar to WiFi, but at higher speeds over greater distances and for

a greater number of users. WiMAX has the ability to provide service even in areas that are difficult for wired infrastructure to reach and the ability to overcome the physical limitations of traditional wired infrastructure. WiMAX was formed in April 2001, in anticipation of the publication of the original 10-66 GHz IEEE 802.16 specifications. WiMAX is to 802.16 as the WiFi Alliance is to

802.11.

WiMAX can provide two forms of wireless service −

- Non-line-of-sight − service is a WiFi sort of service. Here a small antenna on your computer connects to the WiMAX tower. In this mode, WiMAX uses a lower frequency range -- 2 GHz to 11 GHz (similar to WiFi).
- Line-of-sight − service, where a fixed dish antenna points straight at the WiMAX tower from a rooftop or pole. The line-of-sight connection is stronger and more stable, so it's able to send a lot of data with fewer errors. Line-ofsight transmissions use higher frequencies, with ranges reaching a possible 66 GHz.

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Conclusion:

1) I learned about the Physical layer , the types of Wired and wireless connections.
2) Also the technologies,specifications and schematic view of connections.