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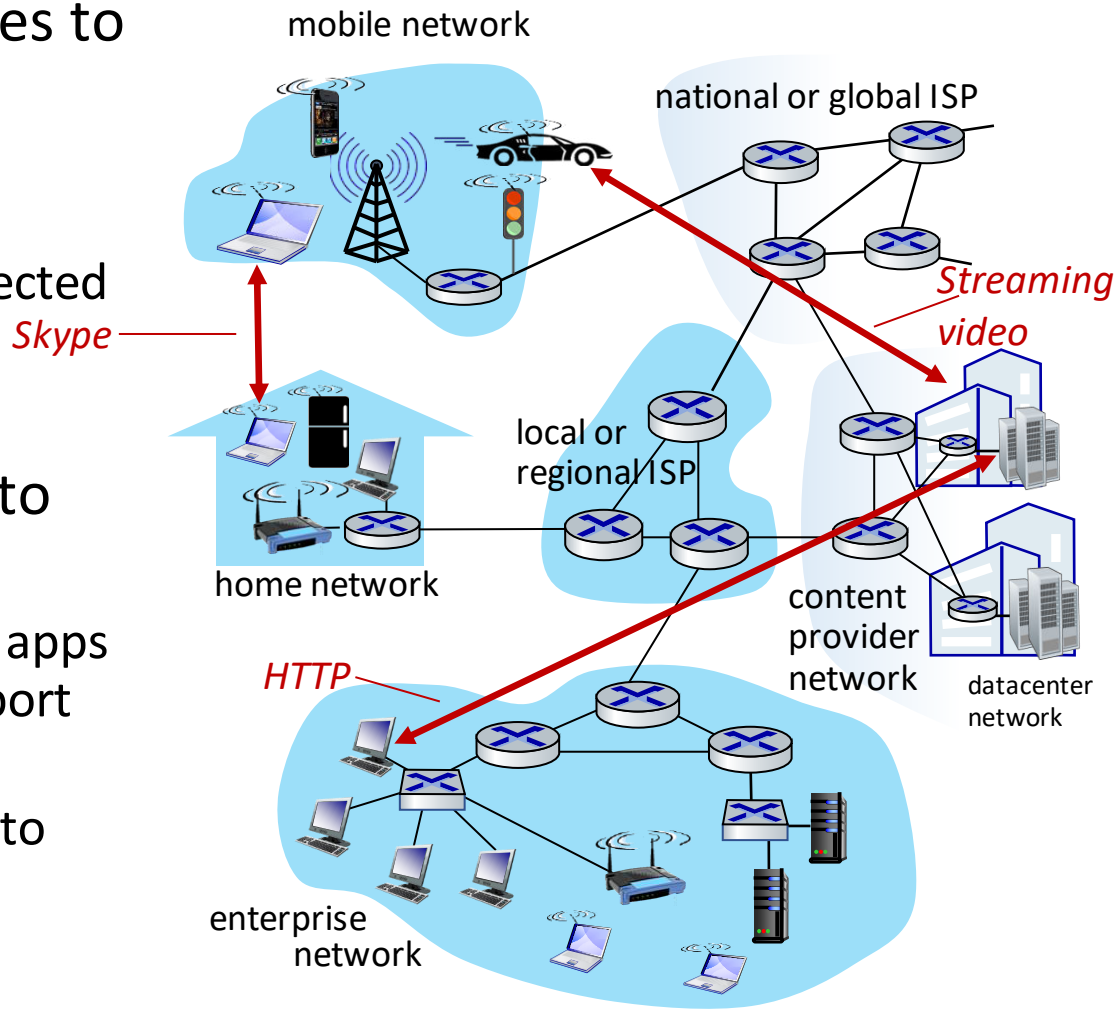
The Internet: A "Service" View

- *Infrastructure* that provides services to applications:
  - Web, streaming video, multimedia teleconferencing, email, games, e-commerce, social media, inter-connected appliances, …

- provides *programming interface* to distributed applications:
  - "hooks" allowing sending/receiving apps to "connect" to, use Internet transport service
  - provides service options, analogous to postal service



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What is a Protocol?

Human protocols:

- "what's the time?"
- "I have a question"
- introductions

… specific messages sent

… specific actions taken when message received, or other events

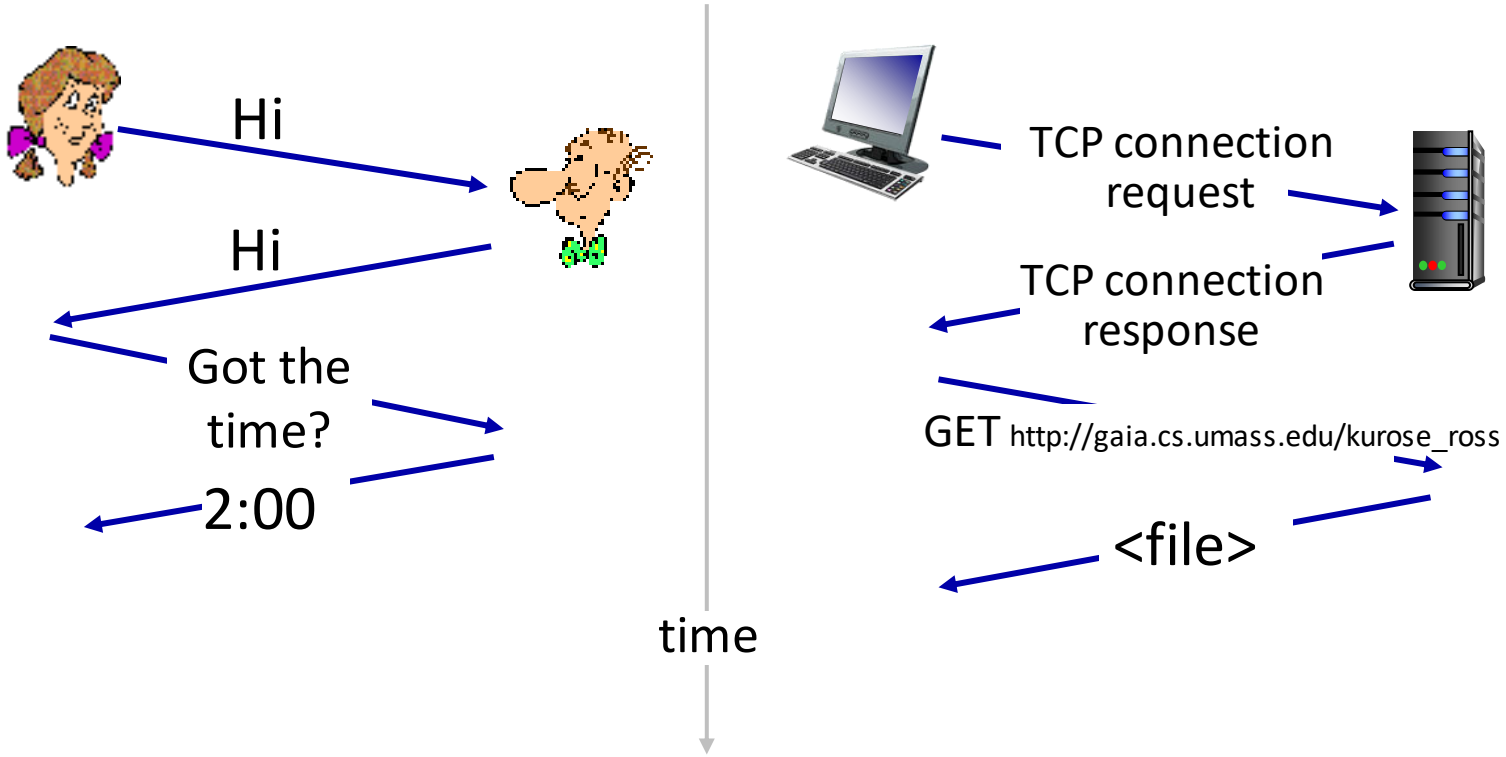
Network protocols:

- computers (devices) rather than humans
- all communication activity in Internet governed by protocols

Protocols define the format, order of messages sent and received among network entities, and actions taken on msg transmission, receipt.

What's a Protocol?

A human protocol and a computer network protocol:



Q: other human protocols?

Queries

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For Your Attention

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