

2. Principle of Layering concept

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What is a Protocol?

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- A standard that allows entities (i.e. application programs) from different systems to communicate
- Shared conventions for communicating information
- Includes syntax, semantics, and timing

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Standardized Protocol Architectures

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- Vendors like standards because they make their products more marketable
- Customers like standards because they enable products from different vendors to interoperate
- Two protocol standards are well-known:
  - TCP/IP: widely implemented
  - OSI: less used, still useful for modeling/conceptualizing

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Internet Standards

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- Email related standards
  - IMAP, POP, X.400, SMTP, CMC, MIME, binhex, uuencode
- Web related standards
  - http, CGI, html/xml/vrml/sgml
- Internet directory standards
  - X.500, LDAP
- Application standards
  - http, FTP, telnet, gopher, wais
- Videoconferencing standards
  - H.320, H.323, Mpeg-1, Mpeg-2

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Figure 2.1 Tasks involved in sending a letter

The diagram illustrates the tasks involved in sending a letter from a Sender to a Receiver, categorized into three layers: Higher layers, Middle layers, and Lower layers. The tasks are as follows:

- Higher layers:** The letter is written, put in an envelope, and dropped in a mailbox (Sender); The letter is picked up, removed from the envelope, and read (Receiver).
- Middle layers:** The letter is carried from the mailbox to a post office (Sender); The letter is carried from the post office to the mailbox (Receiver).
- Lower layers:** The letter is delivered to a carrier by the post office (Sender); The letter is delivered from the carrier to the post office (Receiver).

A note at the bottom states: "The parcel is carried from the source to the destination."

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Learning outcomes

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- Understand the need of layering in Networked computing
- Understand the OSI model and the tcp/ip model
  - Understand the function protocols and their role at each layer.
    - TCP protocol
    - UDP protocol
- Understand the role of header in communication between layers
- Understand how data sent from one host arrive to the target host.

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Models and Standards in Communication

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- **Communication**
  - Established standards
  - Standards are known as protocols
- **Implementation**
  - A framework is helpful in the design of hardware and software for communication
  - ISO-OSI Model serves this purpose
  - ISO-OSI supersedes the TCP/IP model

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ISO and OSI Defined

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- **ISO**
  - International Standards Organization
- **OSI**
  - Open Systems Interconnect

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OSI Model Background

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- Introduced in 1978 and revised in 1984
- Formulates the communication process into structured layers
- There are seven layers in the model, hence the name the 7-Layer model
- The model acts as a frame of reference in the design of communications and networking products

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AN OVERVIEW OF ISO AND ITS 7-LAYER OSI MODEL

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Figure 2.3 The interaction between layers in the OSI model

Diagram illustrating the interaction between layers in the OSI model across three devices: Device A, two intermediate nodes, and Device B. The layers are numbered 1 to 7 from bottom to top: Physical, Data link, Network, Transport, Session, Presentation, and Application. Interfaces are shown between layers (e.g., 1-1, 2-1, 3-2, 4-3, 5-4, 6-5, 7-6). Peer-to-peer protocols are indicated by dashed arrows between corresponding layers of adjacent devices. Physical communication is shown at the bottom layer.

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Figure 2.4 An exchange using the OSI model

Diagram illustrating an exchange using the OSI model between two devices. Data is sent from the top layer (Application) down through the layers to the Physical layer, where it is transmitted over a transmission medium. The data is then received at the other device and sent back up through the layers. The data is represented as a binary sequence: 01010101010101010000010000.

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A- User Understandable Form  
P - Machine -"-  
S - Session 100  
T - Segments 50 50  
N - Packet 10  
D - Frames 1  
P - Bits/ Analog or Digital Signals

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Division of Layers

7. Application  
6. Presentation  
5. Session  
4. Transport  
3. Network  
2. Data Link  
1. Physical

Upper Layers  
Middle Layer  
Lower Layers

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The Function of a Layer

- Each layer deals with one aspect of networking
  - Layer 1 deals with the communication media
- Each layer communicates with the adjacent layers
  - In both directions
  - Ex: Network layer communicates with:
    - Transport layer
    - Data Link layer
- Each layer formats the data packet
  - Ex: Adds or deletes addresses

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Role of Layers

7. Application  
6. Presentation  
1. Physical

Node A

Data In  
Data Out

To/from Node B

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Communication Between Layers

7. Application  
6. Presentation  
5. Session

Data Encapsulation  
Data Stripping

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The Role of Layers in Point-to-point Communication

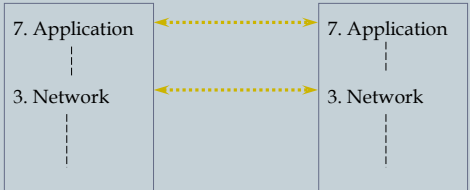
Node a  
7. Application  
1. Physical

Node b  
7. Application  
1. Physical

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Virtual Communication Between Layers

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SUMMARY OF ISO-OSI FUNCTIONAL LAYERS

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Layer Operations

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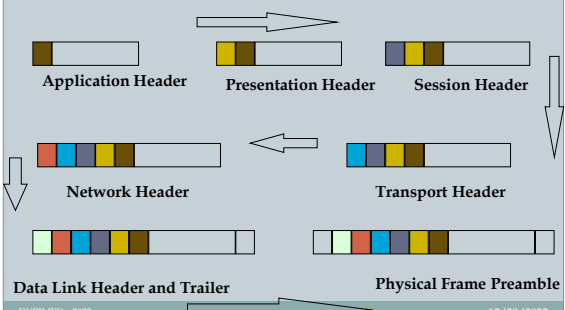
- At each layer, additional information is added to the data packet
- An example would be information related to the IP protocol that is added at Layer 3

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Formatting of Data Through the Layers

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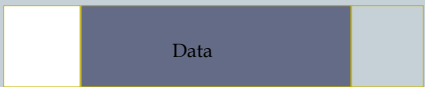


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Packet : General Format

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A general concept of packets serves as a prerequisite to the understanding of the ISO-OSI model.

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Some Header Information Added at Various Layers

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- Packet arrival information
- Receiver's address
- Sender's address
- Synchronization character

a/P - 100 MB

S1- 50 MB

S2- 50 MB

S1 Seg 1-10 Mb

S1Seg2 10 mb

S1seg3 10 mb

S2 seg 110 mb

S2 seg 210 mb

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Data

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- Actual data
- May contain error correction code
  - Performed on individual characters of the data
  - Example: Parity
- Size may vary
  - Depending on the protocol
  - Example
    - 802.3 specifies range of data packet length

Even / odd

11111101 - 0

7' of 1's

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Some Trailer Information Added at Various Layers

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- Error correction code
  - Character oriented
  - VRC (Parity Checking)
- Packet oriented error correction codes
  - LRC
  - CRC

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A Note on CRC

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- Used widely
- Sophisticated
  - Polynomial of deferent degrees are used for error correction
  - Example: Degrees 16, 32 etc.
- CRC-32 is a more stringent error checking procedure than CRC-16

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Some of the Major Components of the Data Packet

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Receiver's Address

Control Data

Start/synch Information

Sender's Address

Data

Error Correction Protocol

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Standardizing Packet Formatting

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- Packets must conform to a standard in order for the nodes in a network to be able to communicate with one another
- The International Standards Organization (ISO) has provided a reference model
- Standards are established for operations at each layer of the ISO/OSI model in the form of protocols

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End of Module 1

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## Module 2

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### THE ISO UPPER LAYERS

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## Module Objectives

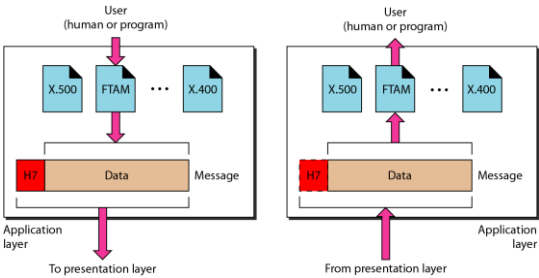
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- Application Layer
- Presentation Layer
- Session Layer
- Transport Layer
- Network Layer

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Figure 2.14 Application layer



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### Note

The application layer is responsible for providing services to the user.

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## 7. Application Layer

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- Purpose
  - User application to network service interface
- Examples
  - File request from server
  - E-mail services
  - etc.

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## Application Layer Function

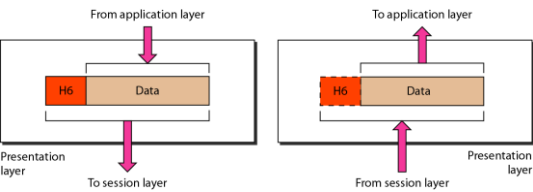
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- General network access
- Flow control
- Error recovery

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Figure 2.13 Presentation layer



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The presentation layer is responsible for translation, compression, and encryption.

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6. Presentation Layer

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- Purpose
  - Formats data for exchange between points of communication
    - Ex: Between nodes in a network
- Example:
  - Redirector software
    - Formats for transmission to the server

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Presentation Layer Function

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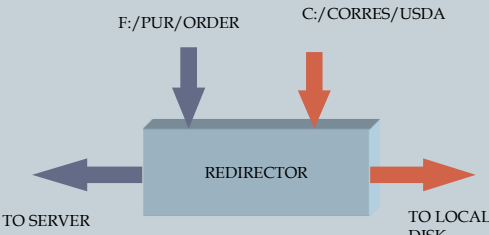
- Protocol conversion
- Data translation
- Encryption
- Character set conversion
- Expansion of graphics command

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Redirector Example

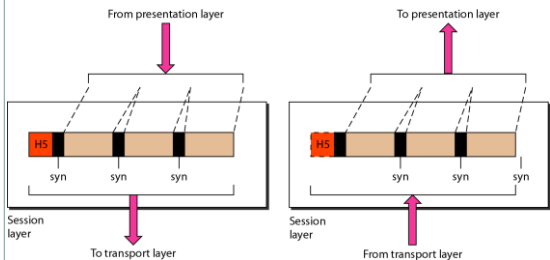
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Figure 2.12 Session layer



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The session layer is responsible for dialog control and synchronization.

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5. Session Layer

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Purpose

Oversee a communication session

Establish

Maintain

Terminate

Example

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Session Layer Function

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Performs name recognition and related security

Synchronization between sender and receiver

Assignment of time for transmission

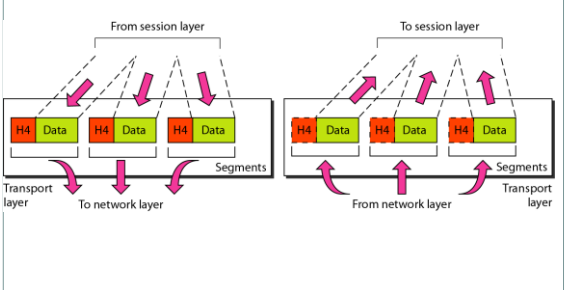
Start time

End time etc.

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Figure 2.10 Transport layer



The diagram illustrates the transport layer's role in data transmission. On the left, data from the session layer is divided into segments, each with an H4 header, and is sent to the network layer. On the right, data from the network layer is received, segments are identified, and the data is sent back to the session layer.

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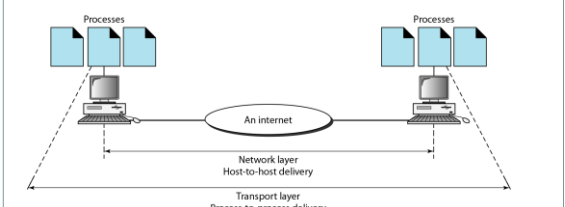
Note

The transport layer is responsible for the delivery of a message from one process to another.

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Figure 2.11 Reliable process-to-process delivery of a message



The diagram shows two computers connected via an internet. Processes on each computer are shown. The network layer handles host-to-host delivery, while the transport layer handles process-to-process delivery, ensuring reliable communication between specific applications.

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$A2 + B2 = C$

1) A2  
2) B2  
3) +  
4) C=

4. Transport Layer

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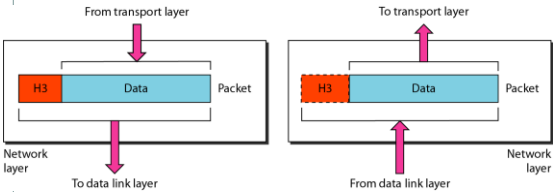
- Purpose
  - Repackage proper and efficient delivery of packages
    - Error free
    - In sequence
    - Without duplication
    - Routing
- Example

Transport Layer Function

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- For sending data
  - Repackage the message to fit into packets
    - Split long messages
    - Assemble small messages
- On receiving data
  - Perform the reverse
  - Send an acknowledgment to the sender
- Solve packet problems
  - During transmission and reception

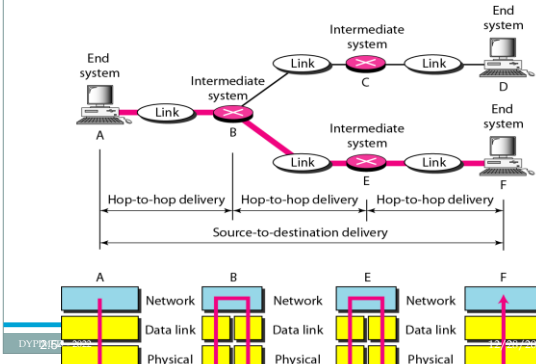
Figure 2.8 Network layer



Note

The network layer is responsible for the delivery of individual packets from the source host to the destination host.

Figure 2.9 Source-to-destination delivery



3. Network Layer

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- Purpose
  - Addressing and routing the packets
- Example application at the router
  - If the packet size is large, splits into small packets

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Network Layer Function

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- Address messages
- Address translation from logical to physical
  - Ex: nganesa -----> 102.13.345.25
- Routing of data
  - Based on priority
  - Best path at the time of transmission
- Congestion control

Logical address is know to the outside world...  
But physical address is known to only your network...

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Module 3

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THE ISO LOWER LAYERS

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2. Data Link Layer

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- Purpose
  - Manages the flow of data over the physical media
- Responsible for error-free transmission over the physical media
- Assures error-free data submission to the Network Layer

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Data Link Layer Function

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- **Point of origin**
  - Packages data for transmission over physical line
- **Receiving end**
  - Packages data for submission to the network layer
- **Deals with network transmission protocols**
  - IEEE 802. protocols

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Data Link Layer Subdivision

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- **Improvement to ISO Model**
- **Logical Link Control (LLC) sub-layer**
  - Manages service access points (logical link)
  - Error and flow control
- **Media Access Control (MAC) sub-layer**
  - Applies directly to network card communication
  - Access control

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Logical Link Control

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Media Access Control Application

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- **Network Interface Card driver**

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NIC Driver facilitates data transfer

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Figure 2.6 Data link layer

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Note

The data link layer is responsible for moving frames from one hop (node) to the next.

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Figure 2.7 Hop-to-hop delivery

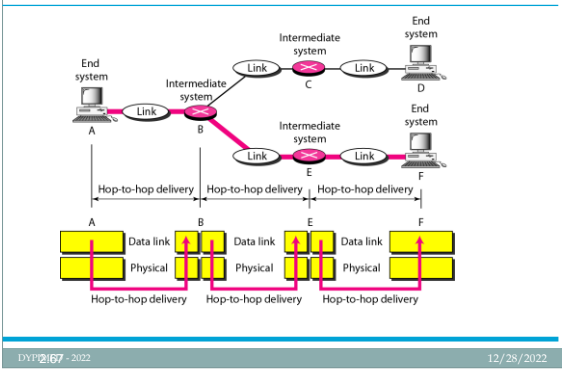
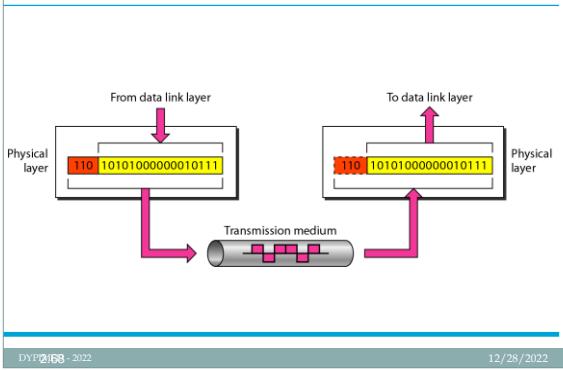


Figure 2.5 Physical layer



1. Physical Layer

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- **Purpose**
  - Deals with the transmission of 0s and 1s over the physical media
    - Translation of bits into signals
- **Example**
  - Pulse duration determination
  - Transmission synchronization
  - etc.

Physical Layer Function

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- **Encode bits into signals**
  - Carry data from the higher layers
- **Define the interface to the card**
  - Electrical
  - Mechanical
  - Functional
  - Example: Pin count on the connector

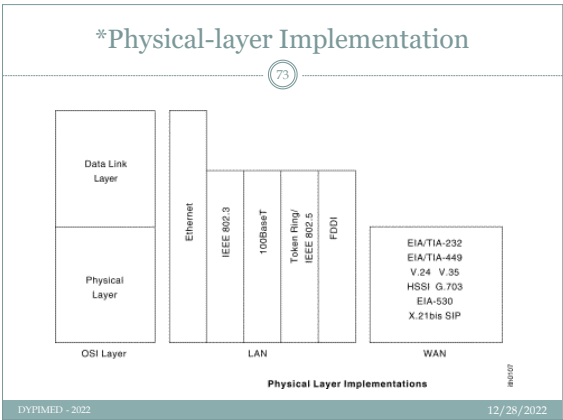
Lower Layers Application Areas

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- **Special significance to network card design**
- **Applies to general LAN hardware design**
  - Exceptions
    - Routers etc.
- **802. standards**
  - Centered around the lower layers
  - Applies to networks

Note

The physical layer is responsible for movements of individual bits from one hop (node) to the next.

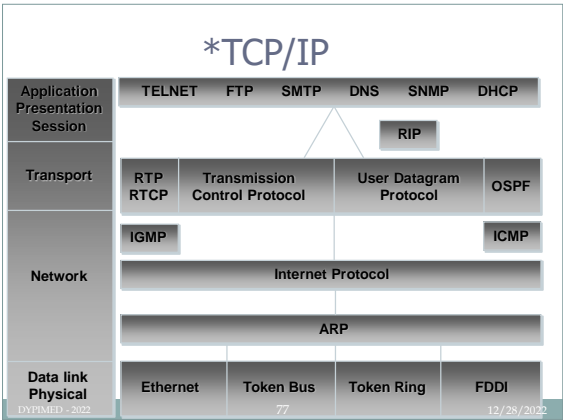
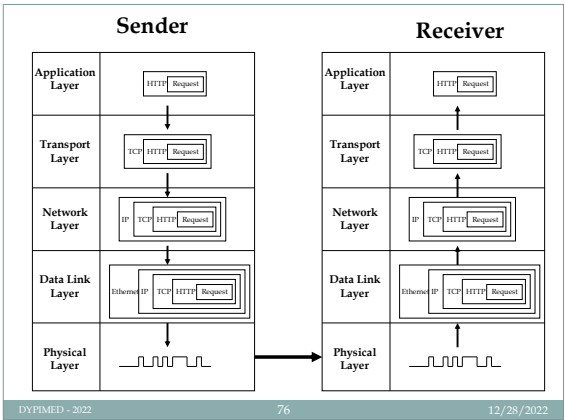
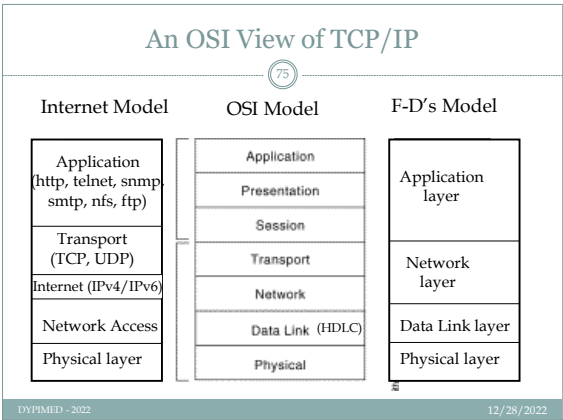


### TCP/IP

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- Transmission control Protocol/Internet Protocol
- Developed by DARPA
- No official protocol standard
- Can identify five layers
  - Application
  - Host-to-Host (transport)
  - Internet
  - Network Access
  - Physical

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### TCP/IP Network Access Layer

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- Exchange of data between end system and network
- Address of host and destination
- Prioritization of transmission
- Software at this layer depends on network (e.g. X.25 vs. Ethernet)
- Segregation means that no other software needs to be concerned about net specifics

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TCP/IP Internet Layer

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- An Internet is an interconnection of two or more networks
- Internet layer handles tasks similar to network access layer, but between networks rather than between nodes on a network
- Uses IP for addressing and routing across networks
- Implemented in workstations *and* routers

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TCP/IP Transport Layer

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- Also called host-to-host layer
- Reliable exchange of data between applications
- Uses TCP protocols for transmission

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TCP/IP Application Layer

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- Logic needed to support variety of applications
- Separate module supports each type of application (e.g. file transfer)
  - FTP
  - HTTP
  - Telnet
  - News
  - SMTP

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TCP & UDP

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- Most TCP/IP applications use TCP for transport layer
- TCP provides a connection (logical association) between two entities to regulate flow check errors
- UDP (User Datagram Protocol) does not maintain a connection, and therefore does not guarantee delivery, preserve sequences, or protect against duplication

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Internetworking

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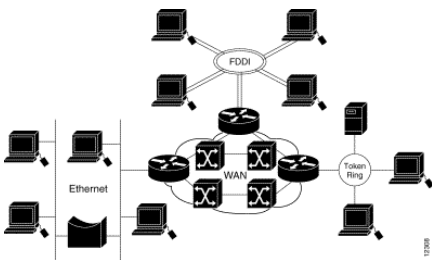
- Interconnected networks, usually implies TCP/IP
- Can appear to users as a single large network
- The global Internet is the largest example, but intranets and extranets are also examples

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Internetworking

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[illegible]

# Why Need IPv6?

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- **Internet Growth**
  - Network numbers and size
  - Traffic management
- **Quality of Services (QoS)**
- **Internet Transition**
  - Routing
  - Addressing
- No question that an IPv6 is needed, but when

# IPv4 Header

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- Version (4 bits)
- Internet header length (4 bits)
- Type of Service (8 bits)
- Total Length (16 bits)
- Identification (16 bits)
- Flags (3 bits)
- Fragment Offset (13 bits)
- Time to Live (8 bits)
- Protocol (8 bits)
- Header Checksum (16 bits)
- Source Address ( 32 bits)
- Destination Address (32 bits)
- Options (variable)
- Padding (variable)

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Compare of OSI and TCP/IP

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Concept

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- OSI: Open Systems Interconnection. It was developed by ISO as a first step toward international standardization of the protocol used in various layers. It deals with connecting open system..

- TCP/IP: Transport Control Protocol/Internet Protocol. TCP is used in connection with IP and operates at the transport layer. IP is the set of convention used to pass packets from one host to another.

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General Compare

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- Similarity
- Difference

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Similarity

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- Both are based on the concept of a stack of independent protocols.
- The functionality of the layers is roughly similar.

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Difference

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- OSI makes the distinction between services, interfaces, and protocol.
- The OSI model was devised before the protocols were invented. It can be made to work in diverse heterogeneous networks.

- TCP/IP does not originally clearly distinguish between services, interface, and protocol.
- TCP/IP model was just a description of the existing protocols. The model and the protocol fit perfectly.

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Difference  
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- The OSI model supports both connectionless and connection-oriented communication in the network layer, but only connection-oriented communication in the transport layer.
- The TCP/IP model has only one mode in the network layer (connectionless) but supports both modes in the transport layer, giving the user choice.

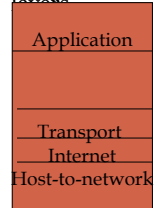
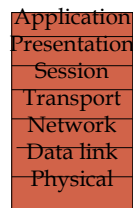
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Difference  
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- OSI has seven layers
- TCP/IP has four layers



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Difference  
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- OSI emphasis on providing a reliable data transfer service, Each layer of the OSI model detects and handles errors, all data transmitted includes checksums. The transport layer checks source-destination reliability.
- TCP/IP treats reliability as an end to end Problem. The transport layer handles all error detection and recovery, it was checksums, acknowledgments, and timeouts to control transmissions and provides end-to-end verification.

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Difference  
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- Host on OSI implementations do not handle network operations.
- TCP/IP hosts participate in most network protocols.

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Lower Layers Compare

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- Data link/Physical vs Subnet
- Network vs Internet
- Transport vs TCP/UDP

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Data link/Physical vs Subnet

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- OSI has Data Link/Physical layers. Data link layer deal with error detection and correction. Physical layer refer to the physical connection of network.
- The lower layers below the Interface or Network layer of TCP/IP seldom discussed. This protocol has not defined and varies from host to host and network to network.

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Network vs Internet

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- Protocols of the network/internet layer
- Ways of addressing
- The routing architecture

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Protocols of the network layer

X.25IP

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- A connection-oriented protocol.
- Virtual circuit approach is used.
- Logical connection or virtual circuit is established before any packet are sent i.e. Call Setup phase.

- A connectionless oriented protocol.
- Data-gram approach is used.
- Each packet is treated independently.

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Protocols of the network layer

X.25IP

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- Each packet contains a virtual circuit identifier as well as data.
- Node need not make a routing decision. It is made only once for each connection.

- Packets of the message do not all follow the same route and may arrive at the destination in a different sequence from the one in which they were sent

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Internetworking Protocols

OSITCP/IP

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- CLNP accommodates variable-length addresses.

- IP supports fixed, 32-bit address.

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Compares the functions of CLNP to those of IP

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Function	ISO CLNP	IP
Version identifier	1 octet	4 bits
Header length	1 octet, represented in octets	4 bits, represented as 32-bit words
Quality of service	QoS maintenance option	Type of service
Segment/fragment length	16 bits, in octets	16 bits, in octets
Total length	16 bits, in octets	Not present
Data unit identification	16 bits	16 bits
Flags	Don't fragment, more segments, suppress error reports	Don't fragment, more segments
Segment/fragment offset	16 bits, represented in octets	13 bits, represented in units of 8 octets
Lifetime, time to live	1 octet, represented in 100-millisecond units	1 octet, represented in 3-second units
Higher-layer protocol	Not present	Protocol identifier
Lifetime control	500-millisecond units	1-second units
Addressing	Variable length	32-bit fixed
Options	Security, Priority, Congestion source routing, Partial source routing, Record route, Padding, Not present	Security, Precedence bits in TOS, Strict source route, Loose source route, Record route, Padding, Timestamp

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Header formats of CLNP

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Header formats of IP

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Version	Header length	Type of service	Fragment length	
Identification		Flags	Fragment offset	
TTL	Protocol	Header checksum		
Source IP address				
Destination IP address				
Options		Padding		

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Network Layer Addresses

OSI Network Layer AddressingIP Addresses

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- The network-layer addressing defines network addressing domains--IDP (AFI, IDI) and DSP.
- It identifies the abstract service access point between the transport and network layers.

- IP address consists of 32 bits, include network-number part and host-number part.
- It identifies the actual point of attachment of a computer system to a real sub-network (the "network interface").

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Three different classes of IP address

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1-0	7-1-8	15-1-16	23-1-24	31-1
0	Class-A network	Host number		
-0	7-1-8	15-1-16	23-1-24	31-1
10	Class-B network	Host number		
-0	7-1-8	15-1-16	23-1-24	31-1
110	Class-C network	Host number		

FIGURE 13.15 Class-A, Class-B, and Class-C IP Addresses

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NSAP address

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FIGURE 13.16 Structure of the NSAP Address

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The routing architecture (OSI)

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- A set of routing protocols that allow end systems and intermediate systems to collect and distribute the information necessary to determine routes. A routing information base containing this information, from which routes between end systems can be computed. A routing algorithm that uses the information contained in the routing information base to derive routes between end systems.
- End systems (ESs) and intermediate systems (ISs) use routing protocols to distribute ("advertise") some or all of the information stored in their locally maintained routing information base.

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The routing architecture (OSI Continue)

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- The routing information base consists of a table of entries that identify a destination; the sub-network over which packets should be forwarded to reach that destination; and some form of routing metric, which expresses one or more characteristics of the route.
- The routing algorithm uses the information contained in the routing information base to compute actual routes.

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The routing architecture (TCP/IP)

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- The TCP/IP routing architecture looks very much like the OSI routing architecture. Hosts use a discovery protocol to obtain the identification of gateways and other hosts attached to the same network (sub-network). Gateways within autonomous systems (routing domains) operate an interior gateway protocol (intra-domain IS-IS routing protocol), and between autonomous systems, they operate exterior or border gateway protocols (inter-domain routing protocols).

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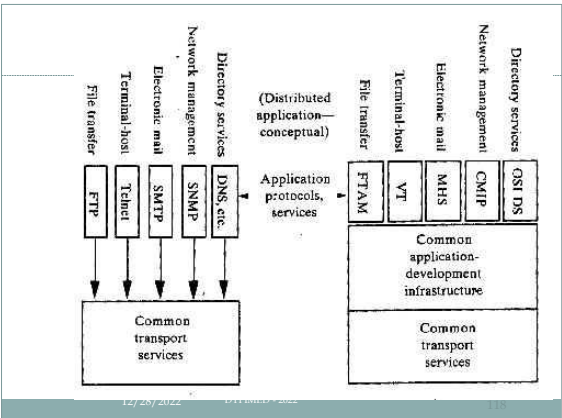
Transport vs TCP/UDP

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- OSI Transport layer
- TCP/UDP
- Compare of Transport and TCP/IP

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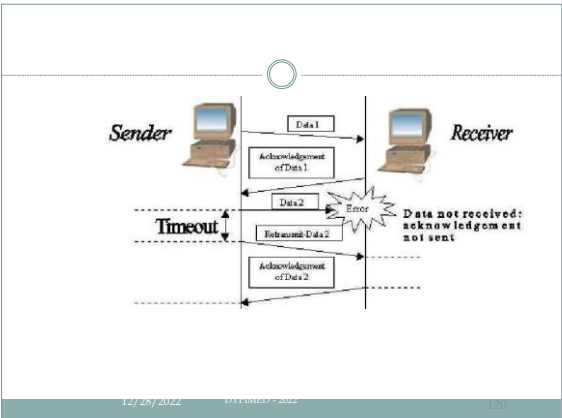
TCP/UDP

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- Provide reliable data transmission.
  - Responsible for data recovery.
  - Allows the receiver to specify the amount of data it wants sent to it. (Important status information is sent by TCP connection).
- It's fast but does not provide reliable data transmission. (main data stream sent by UDP).

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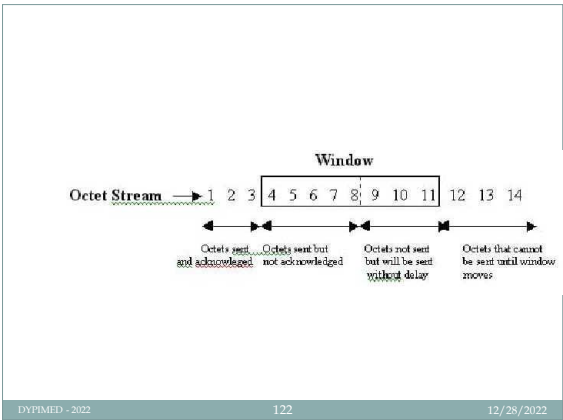
TCP/UDP (continue)

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- TCP, UDP both communicate using the concept ports (FTP, TELNET, SMTP, HTTP, POP3). By specifying ports and including port numbers with TCP/UDP data, the process of multiplexing is achieved.
- The port numbers, along with the source and destination addresses for the data, determine a socket. Socket make the communication reliably.

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### Compare of the Two Model

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- Most of the TCP and UDP functions and specifications map to the OSI Transport Layer.
- The TCP/IP and OSI architecture models both employ all connection and connectionless models at transport layer.

### Compare of the Two Model

OSI	TCP/IP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• uses the terms connection-mode and connection-oriented for the connection model and the term connectionless-mode for the connectionless model.</li><li>• its network layer controls the operation of a sub-net, provides routing, congestion control and accounting.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• simply “connections” and data-grams.</li></ul>

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### Upper layers Compare

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- Session
- Presentation
- Application

### Session Layer

OSI	TCP/IP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Session layer handles session setup, data or message exchanges, and tear down when the session ends.</li><li>• It also monitors session identification so only designated parties can participate and security services to control access to session information.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The TCP/IP model does not have a general session layer protocol.</li><li>• In TCP/IP the term “sockets” and “ports” are used to describe the path over which cooperating application communicates.</li></ul>

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### Presentation Layer

OSI	TCP/IP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Presentation Layer handles data format information for networked communications. For outgoing messages, it converts data into a generic format that can survive the rigors of network transmission; for incoming messages, it converts data from its generic networked representation into a format that will make</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presentation layer is not present in TCP/IP model. Instead this function is frequently handled within the applications in TCP/IP through External Data Representation Standard(XDR) and Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (MIME).</li></ul>

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Application Layer

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- **Application** provides a set of interfaces for applications to obtain access to networked services such as networked file transfer, message handling, and database query processing.

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Application Layer  
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- An end-user interface that provides a human or another application with:
- The means to enter commands that direct the application to send files to and receive file from a remote host, list or change directories, rename or delete file, etc.
- The means of performing input to and output from mass storage device(s) (disk-tape).
- The means of transferring the files and file-related information between hosts.

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Approach

OSITCP/IP

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- Application entities in OSI may have many.
- End-user applications developed using common application-development infrastructure.

- Application entities in TCP/IP have a single service element.
- Each application was developed independently, from “top” to “bottom”.

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Critique

OSITCP/IP

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- Bad timing, by the time the OSI protocols appeared, the competition TCP/IP protocols were already in widespread use.
- Bad technology, both the model and the protocols are flawed, the model along with the associated service definitions and protocols are very complex.

- The model does not clearly distinguish the concepts of services, interface, and protocol.
- It is not at all general and is poorly suited to describing any protocol stack other than TCP/IP.

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Critique (continue)

OSITCP/IP

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- Bad implementation, the initial implementations were huge, unwieldy, and slow. (poor quality)
- Bad politics, it was thought to be the creature of the government.

- The host-to-network layer is not really a layer.
- The model does not distinguished the physical and data link layers

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