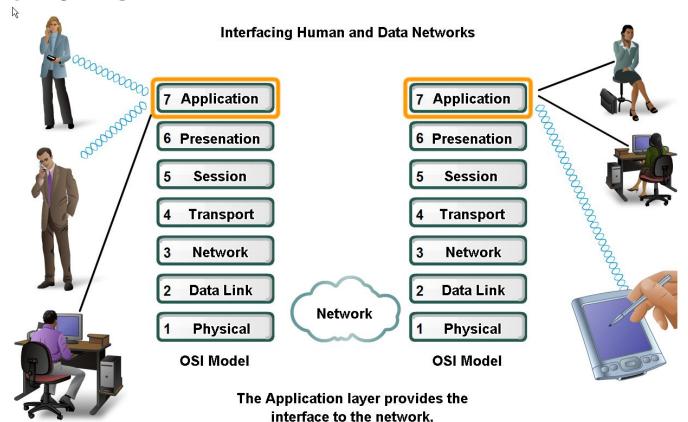
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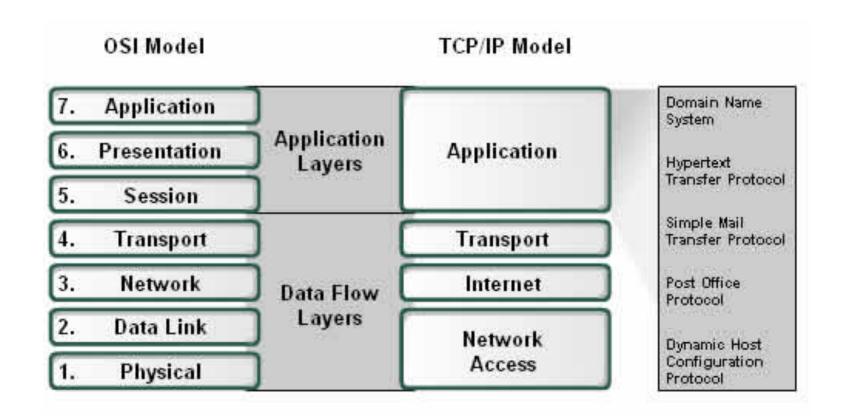
## Chapter 3 CCNA Exploration 1

#### Applications

The Interface Between Human and Data Networks



#### Application Layer



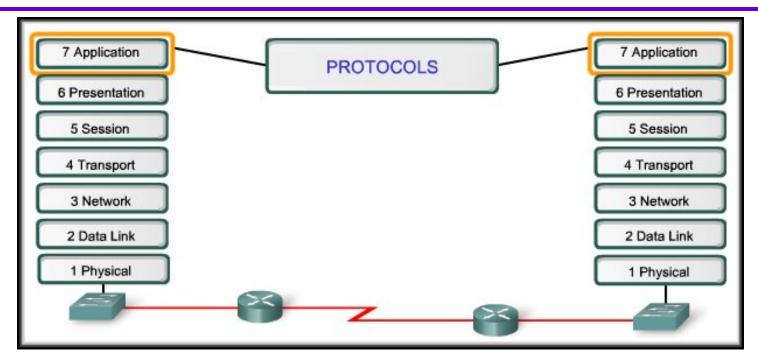
#### Application Layer Protocols

- Application layer is the top most layer of TCP/IP model.
- Application layer is present on the top of the Transport layer.
- Application layer defines TCP/IP application protocols and how host programs interface with Transport layer services to use the network.
- Application layer includes all the higher-level protocols like:
  - DNS (Domain Name System),
  - HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol),
  - Telnet, SSH(Secure Shell)
  - FTP (File Transfer Protocol),
  - TFTP (Trivial File Transfer Protocol),
  - SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol),
  - SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol),
  - DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol)
  - And so on

# Application Layer – OSI and TCP/IP Models

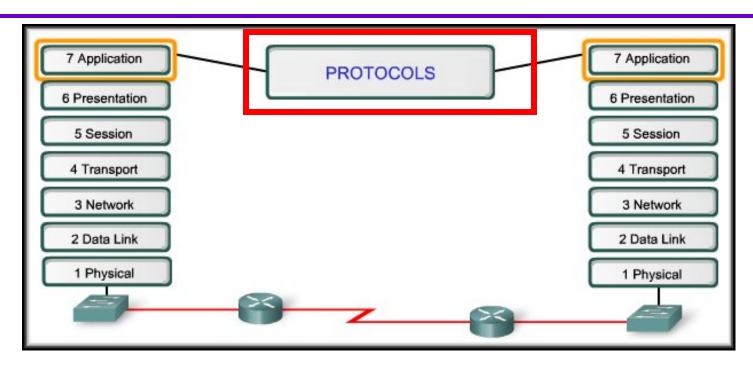
- Two important concepts:
  - Application Layer Protocols:
    - Provide the rules and formats that govern how data is treated in the application layer.
  - Application Software
    - The programs used to communicate over the network.
- For example:
  - When displaying a web page:
    - The Application Layer uses the HTTP Protocol.
    - □ The Application Software is your browser.

## Application Layer Software



- Application layer protocols are used by both the source and destination devices during a communication session.
- The application layer protocols implemented on the source and destination host must match.

#### Application Layer Protocols



- Establish consistent rules for data exchange.
- Specify data structure in the message and types of messages.
- Define message dialogues (appropriate responses).

### Application Layer Software



- Applications and services can use multiple protocols.
- For example, using a web browser may invoke:
  - DNS, ARP(Address Resolution Protocol), ICMP(Internet Control Message Protocol)
  - May use TCP, UDP, Ethernet, PPP (Much More Later)
  - Definitely uses IP

## Application Layer

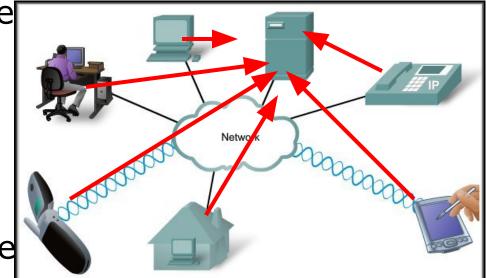
#### Making Provisions for Applications and Services

#### Introduction

- When accessing information on a device the data may not be physically stored on that device.
- If that is the case, a request must be made to the device where the data resides.

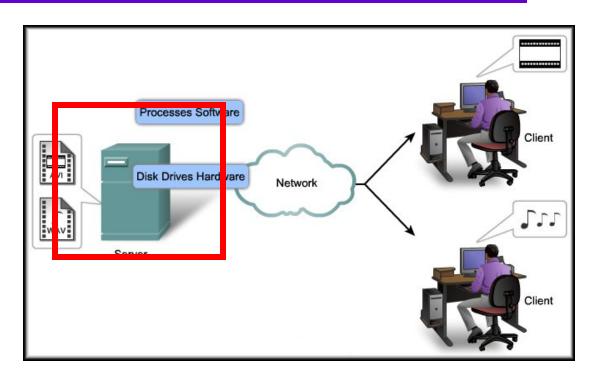
#### Two methods:

- Client/Server
- Peer-to-Peer (P2P)



#### Servers

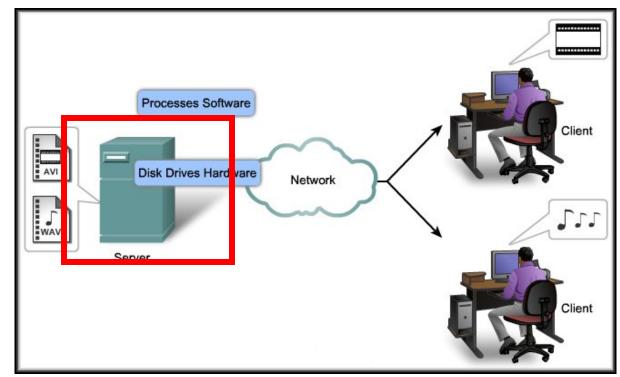
- Servers are repositories of information.
- Processes on the server control the delivery of information to the client.



- The information is usually shared with multiple clients.
  - Web Server
  - Email Server

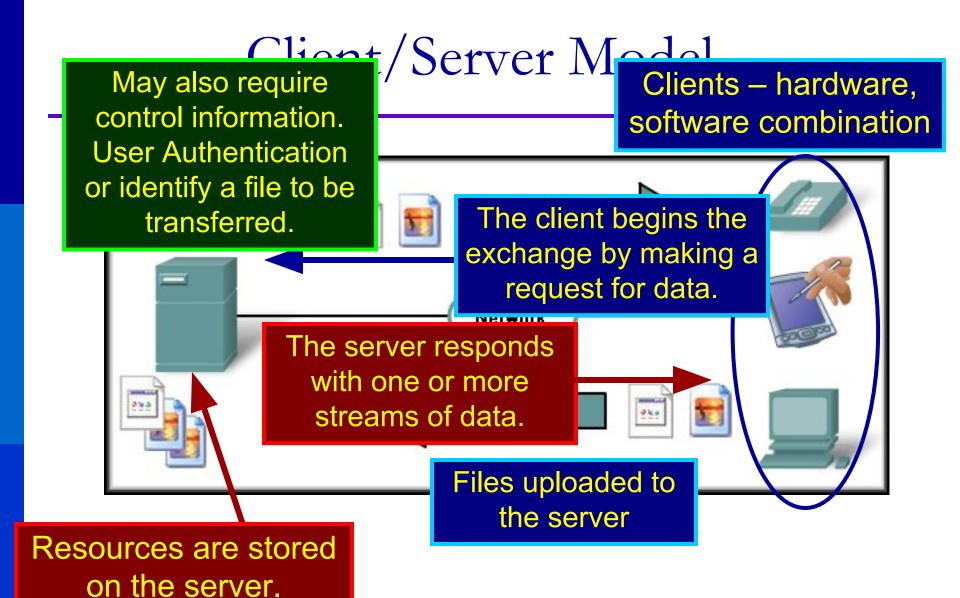
#### Servers

 Some servers may require user authentication to access the data or the network.

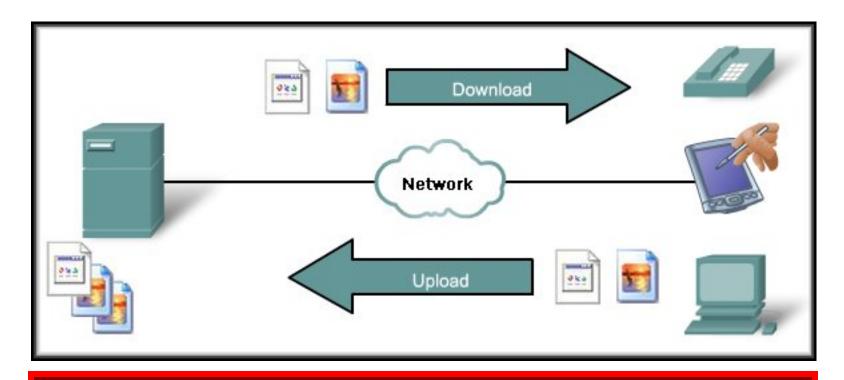


#### FTP Server:

May require an account and password before allowing a transfer.



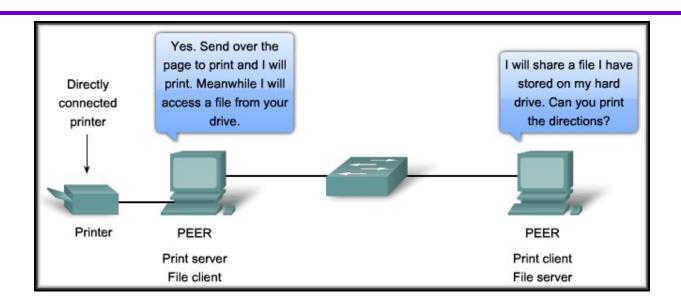
#### Client/Server Model



The biggest advantage of the client/server model is the centralization of resources.

User Names and Passwords, Files, Databases.

#### Peer-to-Peer Model: P2P Networking

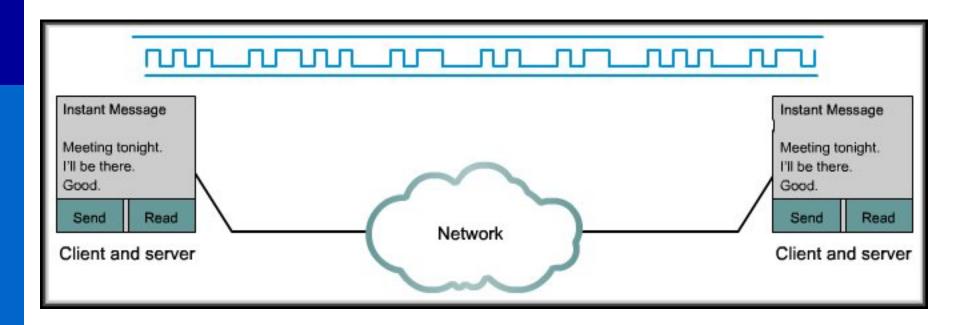


- Two or more computers are connected via a network and can share resources (such as printers and files) without having a dedicated server.
- End devices (peers) can function as either a server or client depending upon the required service.

#### Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Networking

- One big disadvantage of P2P networking is that it decentralizes the services on a multiuser network.
- Maintaining security and access policies on a P2P network is definitely a challenge.
- All Policies and User Names and Passwords must be maintained on each peer device.

## Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Applications

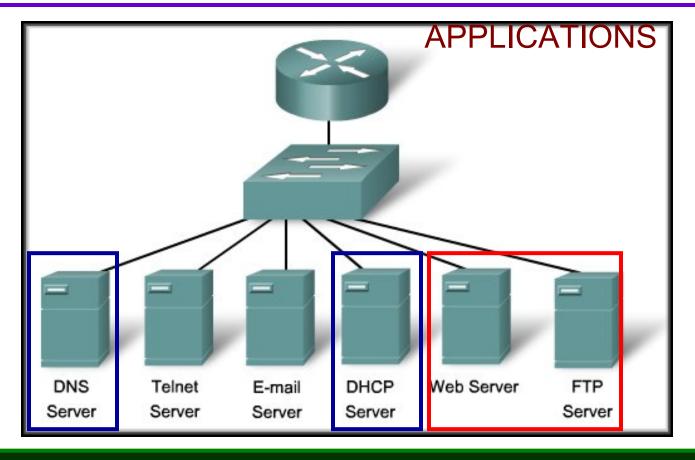


A peer-to-peer application, unlike a peer-to-peer network, allows a device to act as both a client and a server within the same communication.

## Application Layer

# Application Layer Protocols and Services Examples

#### Applications



Usually, a single server will function as a server for multiple application protocols.

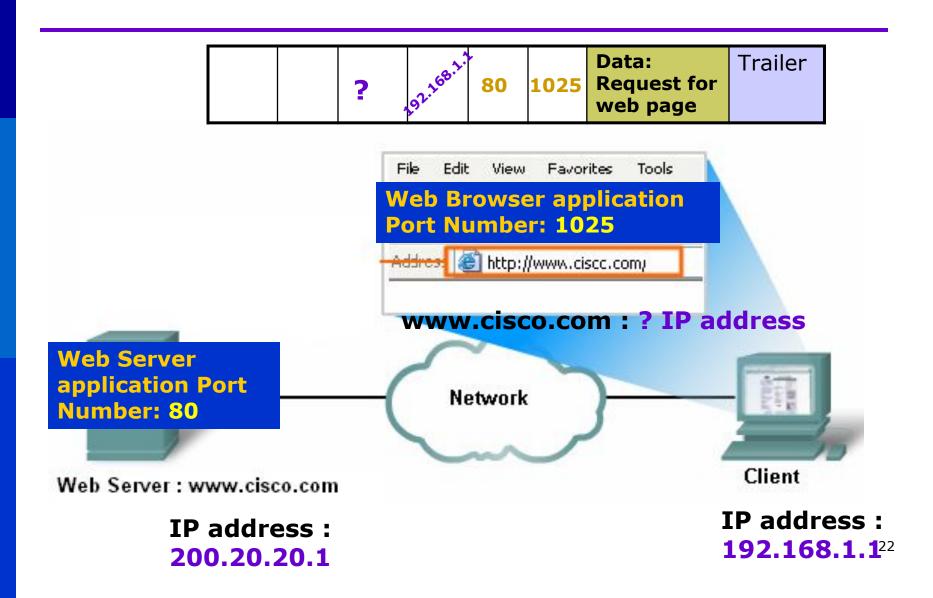
### DNS

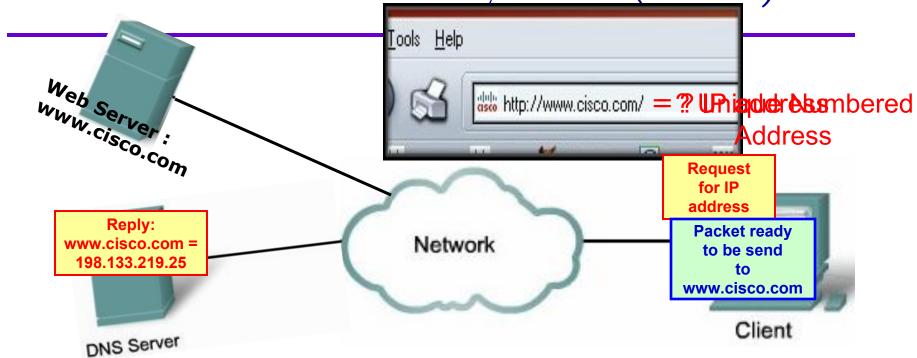
# Domain Name System Helping Protocol



 DNS allows us to use simple, recognizable names instead of an IP Address.







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DNS Address Book:

www.cisco.com = 198.133.219.25

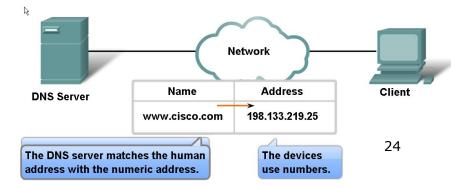
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### DNS-Domain Name System

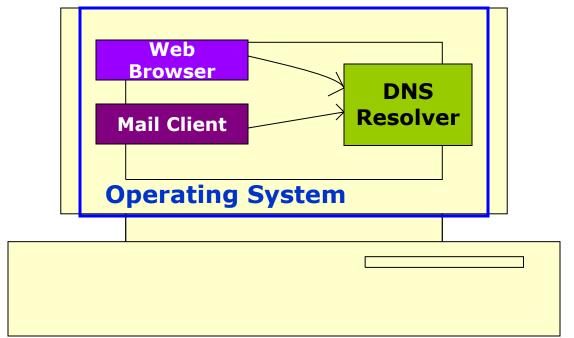
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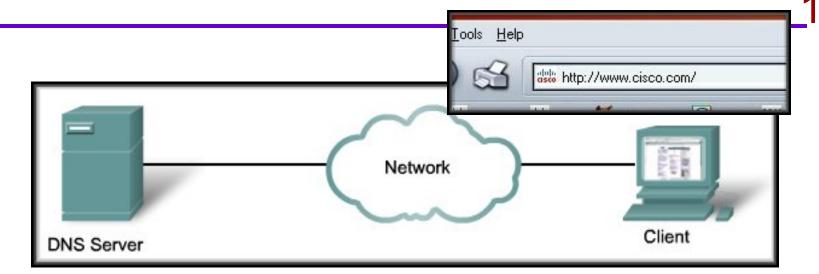
**DNS Server** 

**Resolving DNS Addresses** 



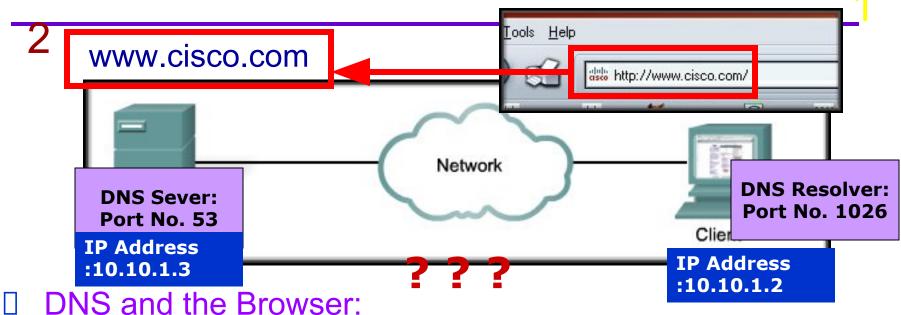
- DNS is an automated client/server service.
- Internet programs requiring domain name look up send a resolution request to the DNS resolver (Client side of DNS) in the local operating system
- The resolver in turn handles the communications required.





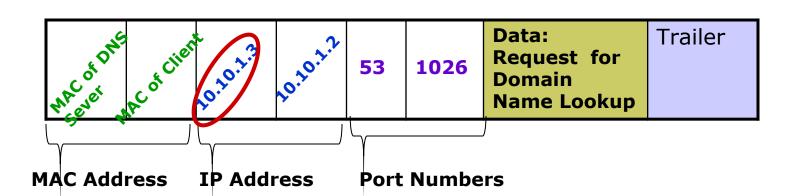
#### DNS and the Browser:

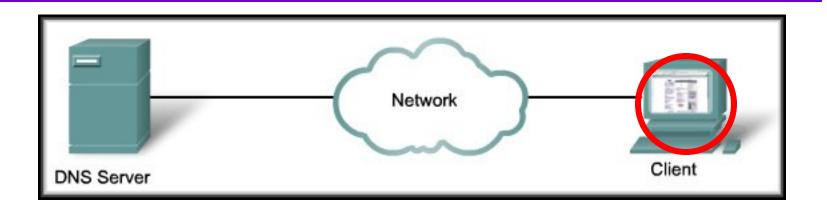
1. First, a domain name or URL is entered in the address field of the browser. The browser passes the name to the resolver.



2. The resolver sends the DNS request to the DNS Server.

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- How does the resolver know where to send the requests?
  - From the IP configuration on the device.

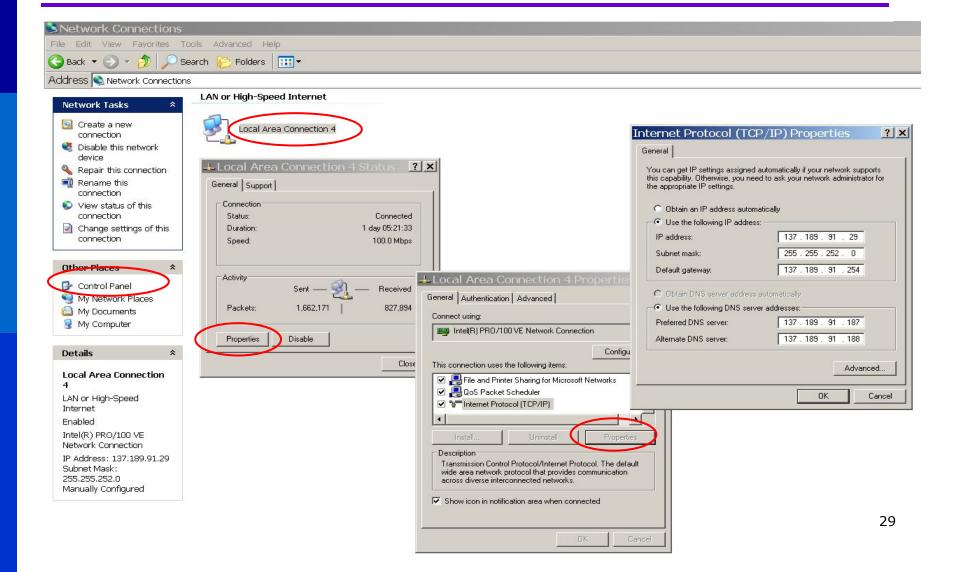
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Subnet Mask 255.255.255.0

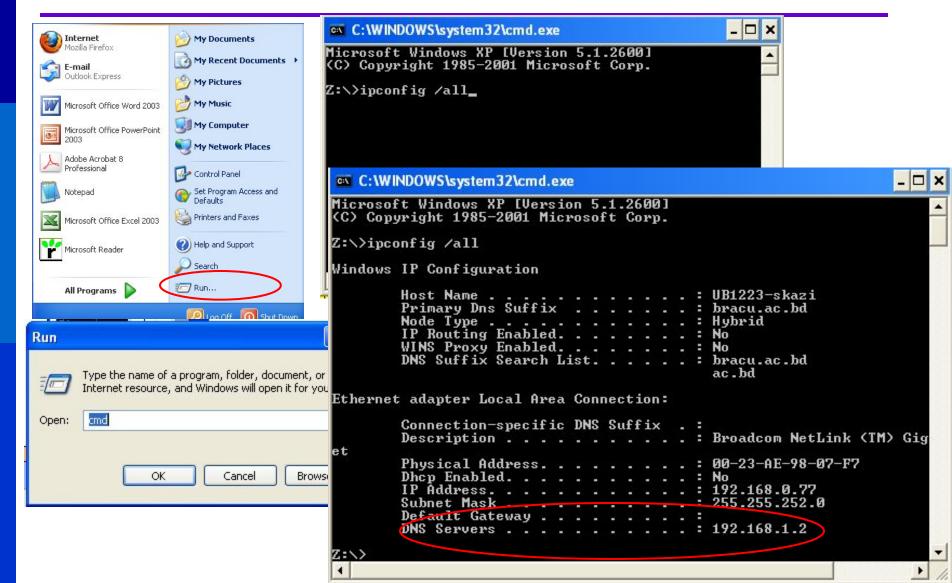
Default Gateway 192.168.25.1

DNS Server 208.67.222.222

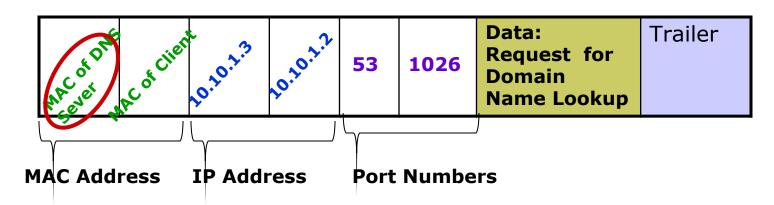
#### DNS: Client Settings



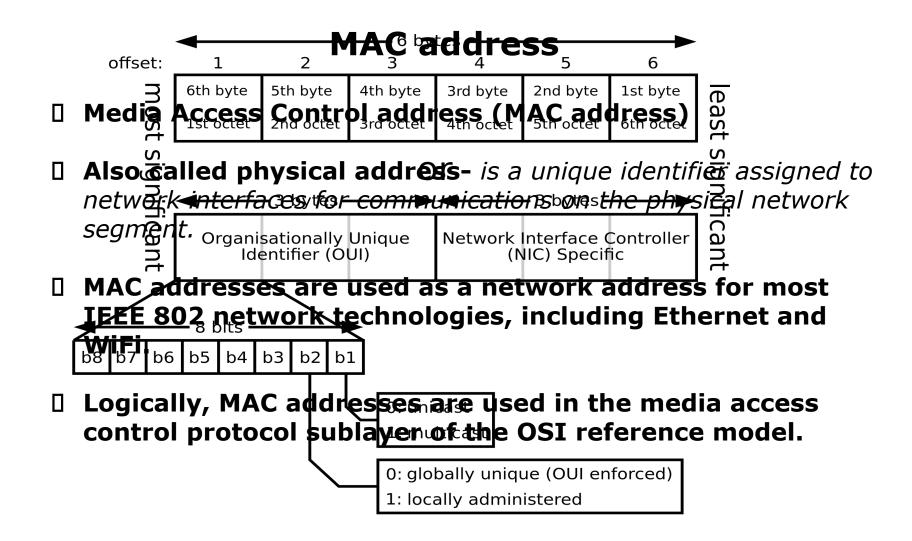
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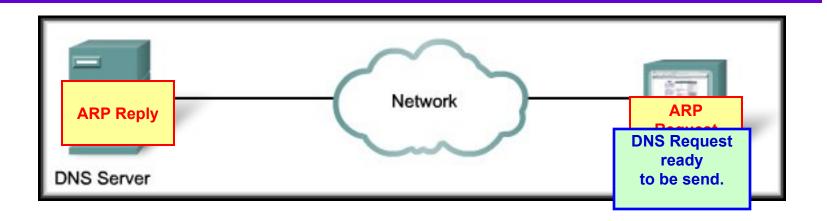


What about the MAC address of DNS of the server?

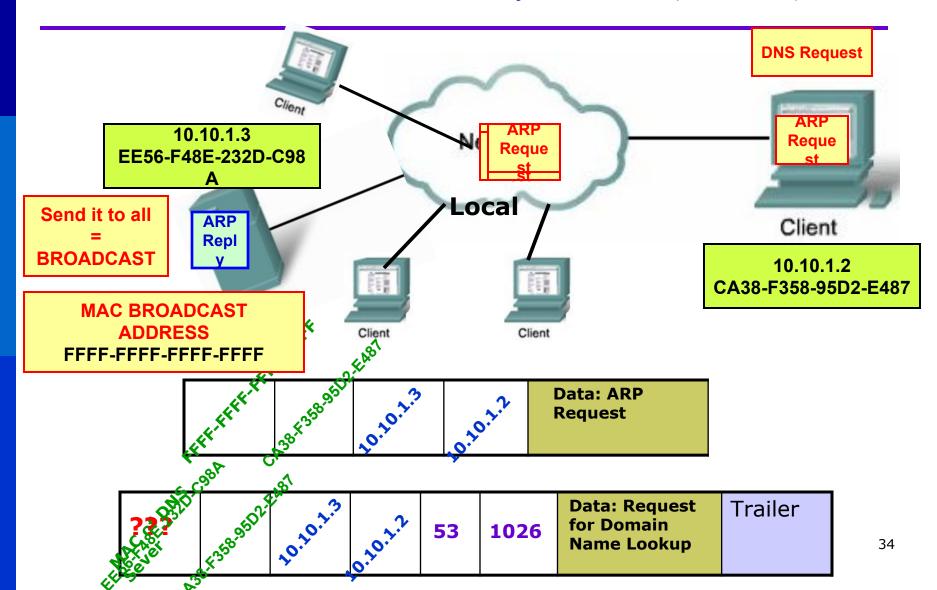


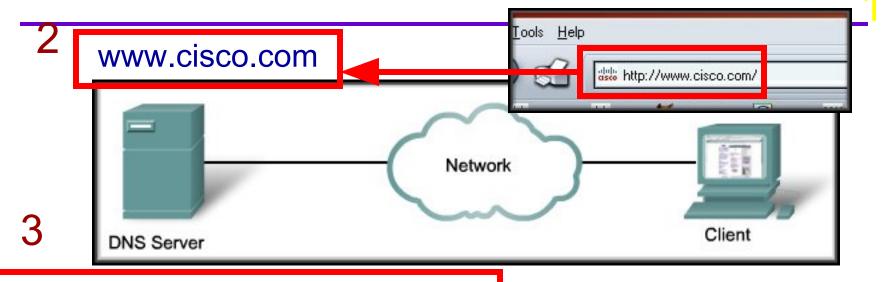
How does the resolver know the MAC Address of the DNS Server?





- By the help of ARP (Address Resolution Protocol)
- Resolves Known IP address = Unknown MAC Address.
- Where to send the ARP request?
  - To All Devices in the Network BROADCAST

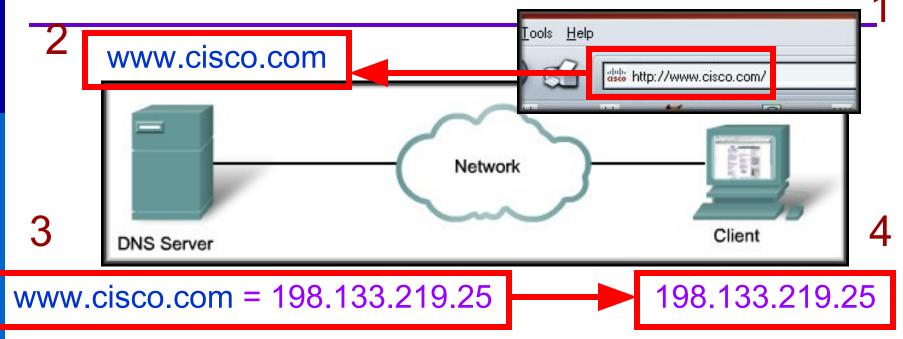




www.cisco.com = 198.133.219.25

#### DNS and the Browser:

- The resolver sends the DNS request to the DNS Server.
- The server then searches its records and resolves the name with to a corresponding IP Address.



#### DNS and the Browser:

4. The DNS server then sends the IP Address back to the client that made the request. The IP Address will be used in the encapsulation process as the destination address for packets going to www.cisco.com.

### DNS Name Servers

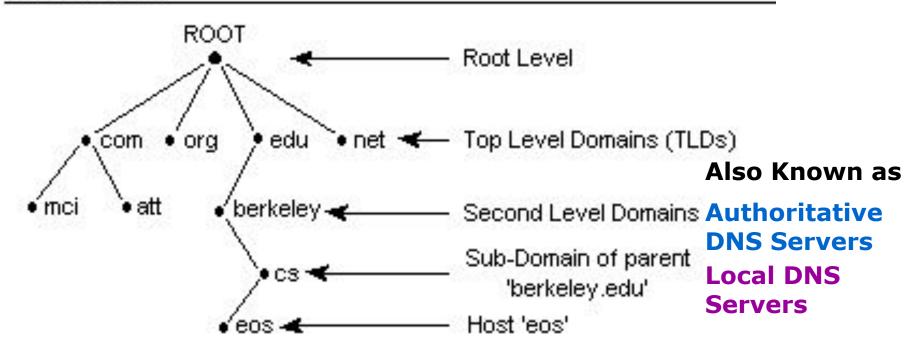
### Centralized DNS? NO

- Single point of failure
- Traffic volume

- **REASONS?**
- Distance centralized database
- Maintenance
- Doesn't scale!
- Solution: Distributed Database

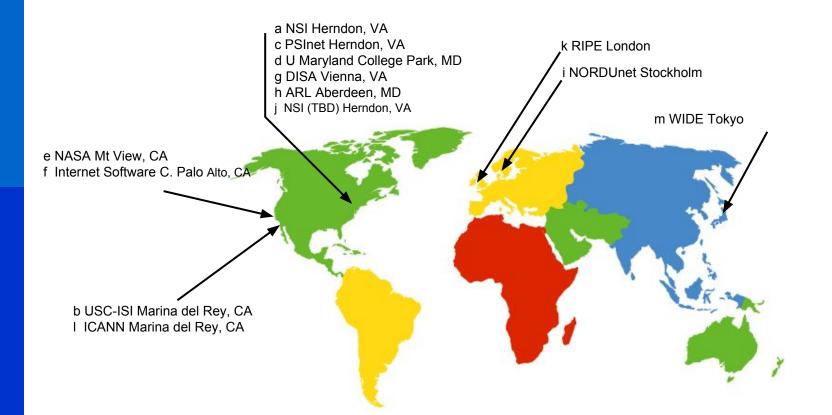
# DNS Heirarchy

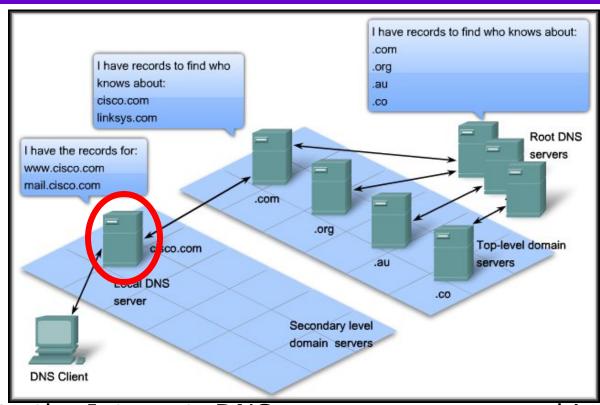
#### DNS Hierarchy



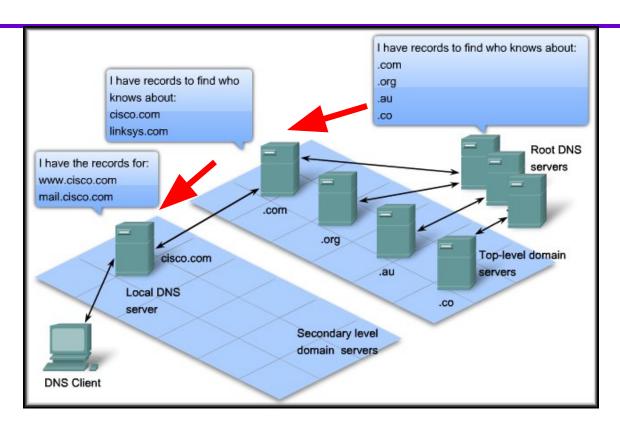
### DNS: Root name servers

- 13 root name servers worldwide
- Contacted by local name server that can not resolve name.

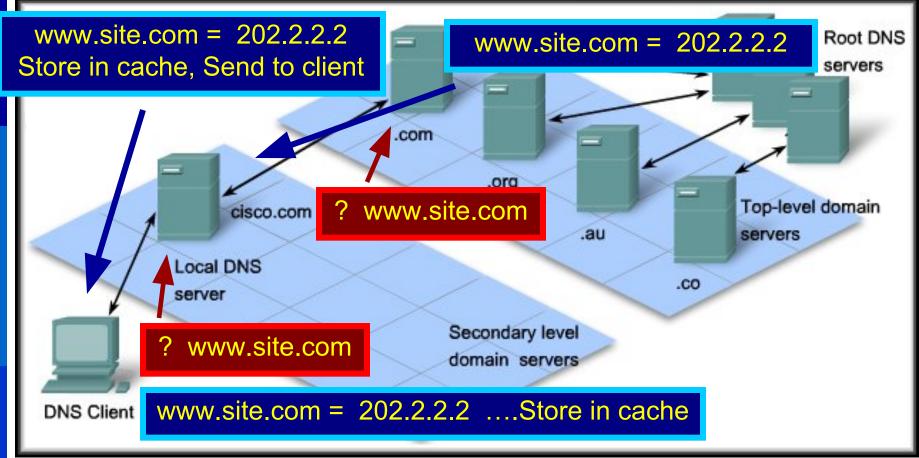




- For access to the Internet, DNS servers are arranged in a hierarchy.
- References to the hierarchy are included when a local DNS server is installed.



- The servers at the "Root" know how to reach the "Top-level" domain servers.
- The top-level servers know how to reach the secondary level servers and so on....

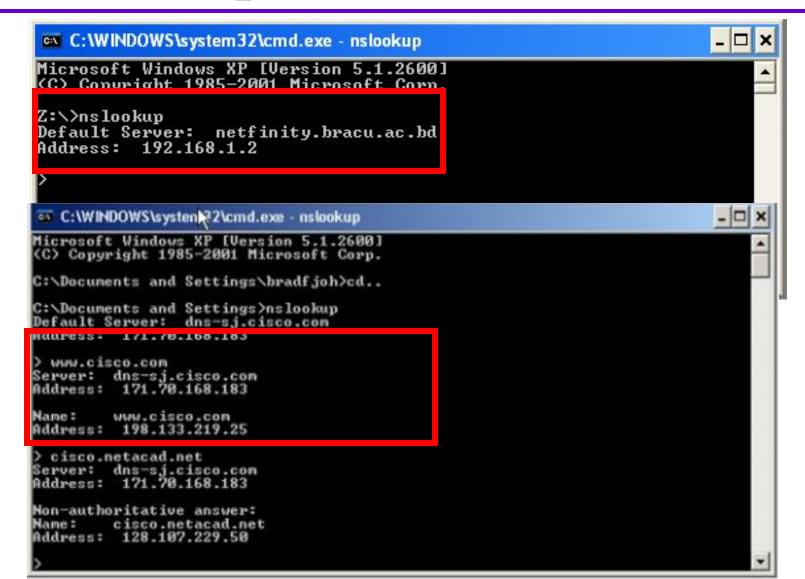


DNS Cache: Storing DNS Information in Local memory

# nslookup

- Windows operating systems provide the *nslookup* utility.
- Use to query a domain name and get the IP Address.
- Can also be used to troubleshoot DNS resolution issues.

# nslookup



#### **Utility:**

ipconfig /displaydns

Displays the contents of the PC cache.

#### ipconfig /flushdns

Clears the contents of the PC cache.

```
_ | | | ×
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
C:\>ipconfig /displaydns
Windows IP Configuration
         1.0.0.127.in-addr.arpa
         Record Name . . . . : 1.0.0.127.in-addr.arpa.
         Time To Live
         Data Length . . .
         PTR Record . . . . : localhost
         www.stclaircollege.ca
         Record Name . . . . : www.stclaircollege.ca
         Time To Live
         Data Length . . . .
         A (Host) Record . . . : 204.225.7.4
         www.3dstats.com
         Record Name . . . . : www.3dstats.com
                      . . . . : 3dstats.com
         blackboard.stclaircollege.ca
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         Record Type . .
         Time To Live
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# HTTP

# Hypertext Transfer Protocol And WWW Services

# HTTP Components

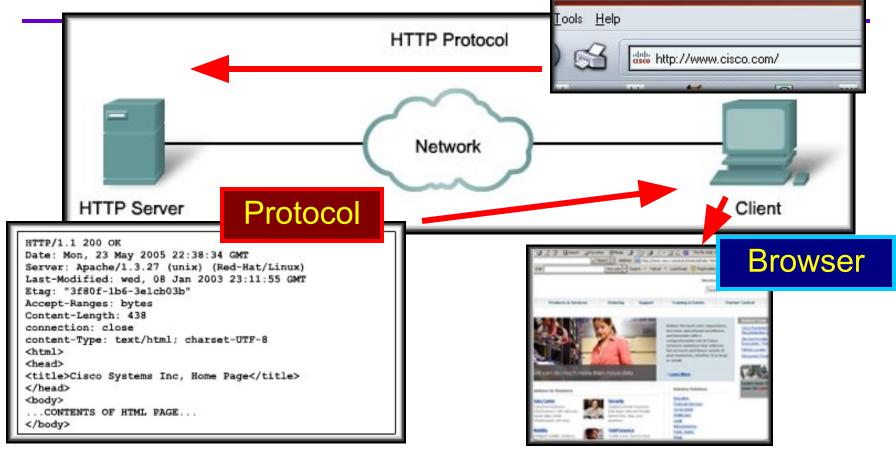
- Client
  - Web browser
- Server
  - Web Server
- Protocol
  - HTTP, HTTPS
- Content
  - Web Documents





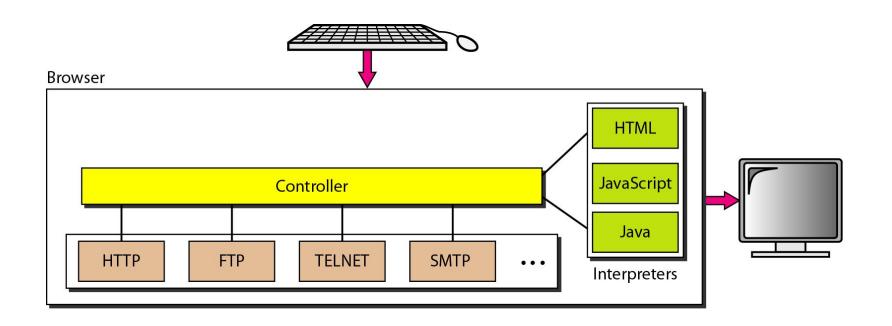


### WWW Service and HTTP

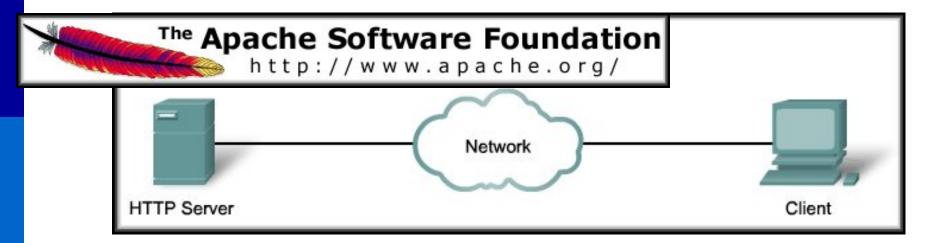


Web browsers are the client applications used to interpret the HTTP application protocol received from a web server.

### Web Browser



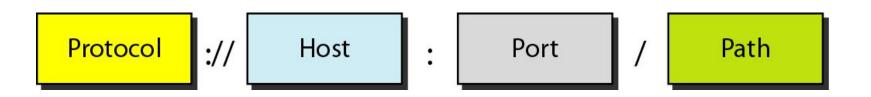
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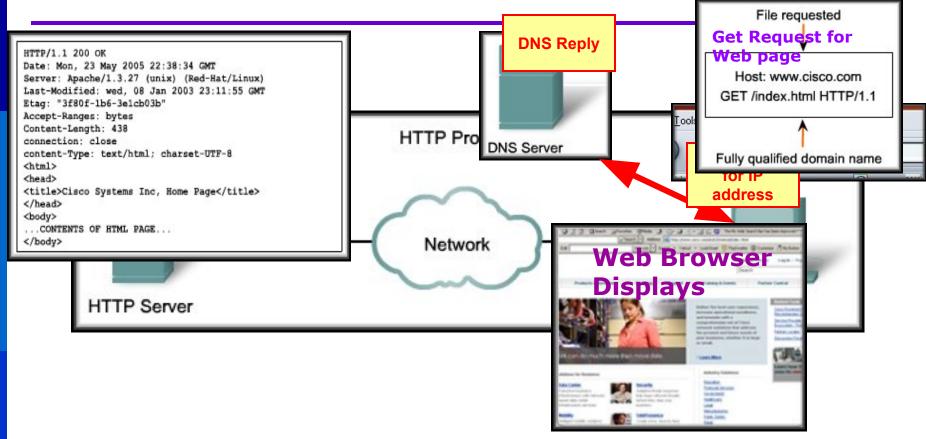
- Web Server:
  - Stores the web objects (HTML, Pictures, Video, Files).
  - Each accessible by a URL.
  - Implements the server side of HTTP.
  - Examples:
    - Apache, Microsoft Internet Information Server (MIIS)

### URL

- The browser interprets the 3 parts of the URL:
  - 1. <a href="http">http</a> (the protocol or scheme)
  - www.cisco.com(the server name)
  - 3. web-server.html (the specific file name requested).



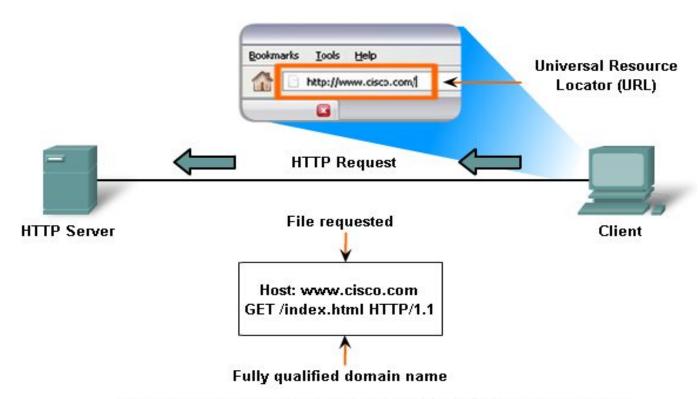
### HTTP – How does it work?



- □ HTTP is a request/response type of protocol.
  - HTTP 1.0: RFC 1945
  - HTTP 1.1: RFC 2068

# HTTP Request Message

#### **HTTP Protocol using GET**



Entering 'http://www.cisco.com' in the address bar of a web browser generates the HTTP 'GET' Message.

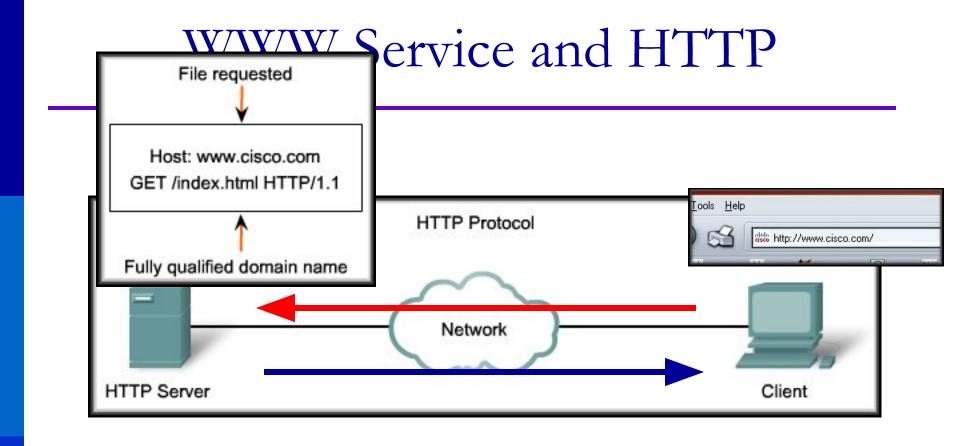
# Method/Message types

#### **HTTP/1.0**

- GET
- POST
- HEAD
  - asks server to leave requested object out of response
  - debugging

#### **HTTP/1.1**

- GET, POST, HEAD
- PUT
  - uploads file in entity body to path specified in URL field
- DELETE
  - deletes file specified in the URL field



- The server responds with either:
  - The requested object.
  - An error message, if necessary.
  - Or other status messages.

## HTTP Response Message

```
status line
  (protocol
                 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
 status code
                 Connection close
status phrase)
                 Date: Thu, 06 Aug 1998 12:00:15 GMT
                 Server: Apache/1.3.0 (Unix)
         header
                 Last-Modified: Mon, 22 Jun 1998 .....
           lines
                 Content-Length: 6821
                 Content-Type: text/html
data, e.g.,
                 data data data data ...
requested
HTML file
```

### HTTP response status codes

### A few sample codes:

#### 200 OK

request succeeded, requested object later in this message

#### 301 Moved Permanently

 requested object moved, new location specified later in this message (Location:)

#### 400 Bad Request

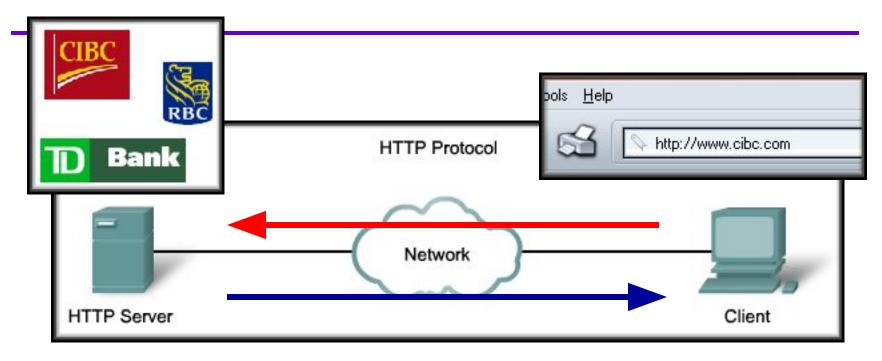
request message not understood by server

#### 404 Not Found

requested document not found on this server

#### 505 HTTP Version Not Supported

### WWW Service and HTTP



- For secure communications, Secure HTTP (HTTPS) is used:
  - Allows servers and clients to exchange information securely over the Internet.