

# TCP/IP model

Layer	Protocols	Data unit
Application	HTTP, FTP, DNS, SMTP	Application message
Transport	TCP, UDP	TCP segment, UDP datagram
Network	IP, ARP, ICMP	IP packet
Data Link	Ethernet	Ethernet Frame
Physical	Ethernet	Ethernet Frame

## Physical Layer

Convertes binary sequence to signals (electrical, light, radio) and transmits it within LAN cable, optical fiber cable, air.

## Data Link Layer

- Medium Access Control - **MAC sublayer**

- *Data encapsulation*

Creates a **header** and a **trailer** for IP-packet from network layer. Header contains MAC addresses of sender and receiver. MAC address places in NIC - network interface card. It's a unique 12-symbol number. Trailer contains 4 bytes for error checking data.

- *Accessing the media*

**CSMA/CD** - Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Detection. Each computer listens to the cable before sending data to the network. If a collision occurs, computers wait random amount of time and then retransmit the data.

- Logical Link Control - **LLC sublayer**

- *Flow control*

Restricts the amount of data. Receiver informs sender to slow down transmission rate.

- *Error Control*

Error detection and retransmission. Error detection is done by error checking in trailer of the frame. Retransmission is done by **Automatic Repeat Request - ARQ** - receiver sends an acknowledge to sender whether the data is damaged/lost.

- *Sizing of packets*

LLC functions can be done by **Transport Layer**.

## Network Layer

- *Logical Addressing*

Adds IP addresses of sender and receiver to TCP-segments of UDP-datagram to form an IP-packet. It ensures that each IP packet a reach the correct destination in different networks.

- *Routing*

Send IP packets to the networks. **Routing is not needed if receiver and sender are in the same network.**

Two networks are connected by a router. Computer A from network 1 needs to send data to the computer B in network 2. Network 1 has access only to MAC-addresses of devices connected to itself, it doesn't see MAC address of computer B. Therefore, to form a frame, an ARP module takes MAC address of the router R and the frame is forwarded to the router. Router finds that the MAC address in the frame matches its own MAC address and extracts IP packet from the frame and forwards it to the network layer. Network layer of network 2 finds the IP of computer B and updates the frame by MAC address of B using ARP module.

- *Path determination*

**OSPF** - Open Shortest Path First protocol, BGP, IS-IS.

## Transport Layer

IP is unreliable. It doesn't guarantee delivery nor checking for errors.

Transport layer receives message from application layer and divides it into segments or datagrams.

- **TCP**

- *Connection establishment*

Connection request, ACK, ACK - Three-Way handshake

- *Error free data transfer*

Calculating check-sum. If check-sum is different, receiver doesn't send ACK to sender, so sender retransmits segment.

- *Ordered data transfer*

- *Retransmission of lost data*

- *Discarding duplicate packets*

- *Congestion (flow) control*

The goal is to send segments as fast as possible not losing them. Sender sets a timer. If sender receives ACK before the timer expires, it increases the transmission speed. If ACK of some segment isn't received in time, the sender retransmits the segment. If a significant number of retransmissions is done, the sender slows down transfer speed.

- *Connection termination*

Finished, ACK, finished, ACK - Four-Way handshake