# Chapter 1 Introduction

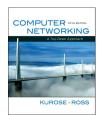
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## Chapter 1: Introduction

#### Our goal:

- get "feel" and terminology
- more depth, detail later in course
- approach:
  - use Internet as example

#### Overview:

- what's the Internet?
- □ what's a protocol?
- network edge; hosts, access net, physical media
- network core: packet/circuit switching, Internet structure
- performance: loss, delay, throughput
- security
- protocol layers, service models
- history

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### What's the Internet: "nuts and bolts" view

PC server

 millions of connected computing devices:
 hosts = end systems



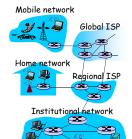
running network apps



radio, satellite
transmission
rate = bandwidth

**⋘** router

 routers: forward packets (chunks of data)



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## "Cool" internet appliances







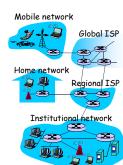


Internet phones



## What's the Internet: "nuts and bolts" view

- protocols control sending, receiving of msgs
  - e.g., TCP, IP, HTTP, Skype, Ethernet
- □ Internet: "network of networks"
  - · loosely hierarchical
  - public Internet versus private intranet
- Internet standards
  - \* RFC: Request for comments
  - IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force



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#### What's the Internet: a service view

- communication infrastructure enables distributed applications:
  - Web, VoIP, email, games, e-commerce, file sharing
- communication services provided to apps:
  - reliable data delivery from source to destination
  - "best effort" (unreliable) data delivery



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## What's a protocol?

#### <u>human protocols:</u>

- □ "what's the time?"
- "I have a question"
- introductions
- ... specific msgs sent
- ... specific actions taken when msgs received, or other events

#### network protocols:

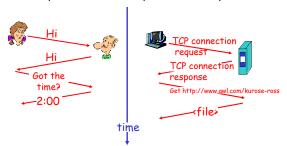
- machines rather than humans
- all communication activity in Internet governed by protocols

protocols define format, order of msgs sent and received among network entities, and actions taken on msg transmission, receipt

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## What's a protocol?

a human protocol and a computer network protocol:



Q: Other human protocols?

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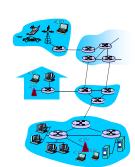
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## A closer look at network structure:

- network edge: applications and hosts
- access networks, physical media: wired, wireless communication links
- □ network core:
  - interconnected routers
  - network of networks



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## The network edge:

#### □ end systems (hosts):

- run application programs
- e.g. Web, email
- at "edge of network"

#### client/server model

- client host requests, receives service from always-on server
- e.g. Web browser/server; email client/server

#### peer-peer model:

- minimal (or no) use of dedicated servers
- e.g. Skype, BitTorrent

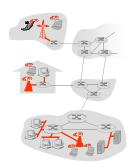


#### Access networks and physical media

- Q: How to connect end systems to edge router?
- residential access nets
- institutional access networks (school, company)
- □ mobile access networks

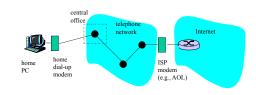
#### Keep in mind:

- bandwidth (bits per second) of access network?
- shared or dedicated?



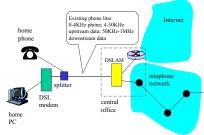
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## Dial-up Modem



- Uses existing telephony infrastructure
  - \* Home is connected to central office
- up to 56Kbps direct access to router (often less)
- \* Can't surf and phone at same time: not "always on"

## Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)



- Also uses existing telephone infrastruture
- up to 1 Mbps upstream (today typically < 256 kbps)</li>
- up to 8 Mbps downstream (today typically < 1 Mbps)</li>
- dedicated physical line to telephone central office

#### Residential access: cable modems

- □ Does not use telephone infrastructure
  - Instead uses cable TV infrastructure
- □ HFC: hybrid fiber coax
  - asymmetric: up to 30Mbps downstream, 2 Mbps upstream
- network of cable and fiber attaches homes to ISP router
  - \* homes share access to router
  - unlike DSL, which has dedicated access

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#### Residential access: cable modems

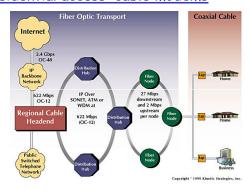
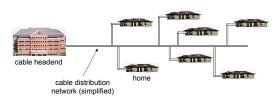


Diagram: http://www.cabledatacomnews.com/cmic/diagram.html

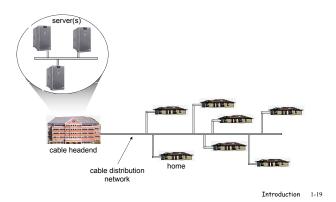
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#### Cable Network Architecture: Overview

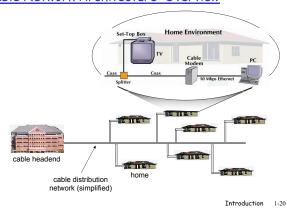
Typically 500 to 5,000 homes

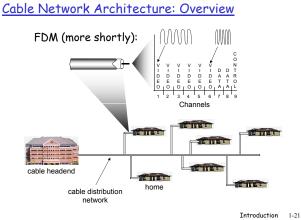


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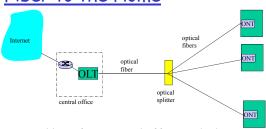


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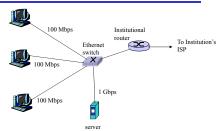


## Fiber to the Home



- Optical links from central office to the home
- Two competing optical technologies:
  - Passive Optical network (PON)
  - Active Optical Network (PAN)
- Much higher Internet rates; fiber also carries television and phone services

## Ethernet Internet access



- $lue{}$  Typically used in companies, universities, etc
- □ 10 Mbs, 100Mbps, 1Gbps, 10Gbps Ethernet
- Today, end systems typically connect into Ethernet switch

#### Wireless access networks

- shared wireless access network connects end system to router
  - via base station aka "access point"

#### ■ wireless LANs:

802.11b/g (WiFi): 11 or 54 Mbps

#### □ wider-area wireless access

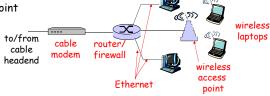
- provided by telco operator
- ~1Mbps over cellular system (EVDO, HSDPA)
- next up (?): WiMAX (10's Mbps) over wide area



### Home networks

#### Typical home network components:

- □ DSL or cable modem
- □ router/firewall/NAT
- Ethernet
- wireless accesspoint



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### Physical Media

- □ Bit: propagates between transmitter/rcvr pairs
- physical link: what lies between transmitter & receiver
- guided media:
  - signals propagate in solid media: copper, fiber, coax
- unguided media:
  - signals propagate freely, e.g., radio

#### Twisted Pair (TP)

- two insulated copper wires
  - Category 3: traditional phone wires, 10 Mbps Ethernet
  - Category 5: 100Mbps Ethernet



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#### Physical Media: coax, fiber

#### Coaxial cable:

- two concentric copper conductors
- bidirectional
- baseband:
  - single channel on cable
  - legacy Ethernet
- □ broadband:
  - multiple channels on cable
  - · HFC



#### Fiber optic cable:

- glass fiber carrying light pulses, each pulse a bit
- high-speed operation:
  - high-speed point-to-point transmission (e.g., 10's-100's Gps)
- low error rate: repeaters spaced far apart; immune to electromagnetic noise



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#### Physical media: radio

- signal carried in electromagnetic spectrum
- □ no physical "wire"
- bidirectional
- propagation environment effects:
  - · reflection
  - · obstruction by objects
  - interference

#### Radio link types:

- □ terrestrial microwave
  - e.g. up to 45 Mbps channels
- □ LAN (e.g., Wifi)
  - 11Mbps, 54 Mbps
- □ wide-area (e.g., cellular)
  - 3G cellular: ~ 1 Mbps

#### ■ satellite

- Kbps to 45Mbps channel (or multiple smaller channels)
- 270 msec end-end delay
- geosynchronous versus low altitude

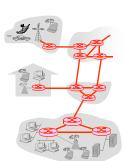
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#### The Network Core

- mesh of interconnected routers
- <u>the</u> fundamental question: how is data transferred through net?
  - circuit switching: dedicated circuit per call: telephone net
  - packet-switching: data sent thru net in discrete "chunks"



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## Network Core: Circuit Switching

#### End-end resources reserved for "call"

- □ link bandwidth, switch capacity
- dedicated resources: no sharing
- □ circuit-like (guaranteed) performance
- call setup required



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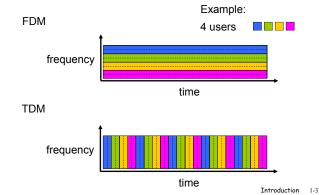
### Network Core: Circuit Switching

network resources (e.g., bandwidth) divided into "pieces"

- pieces allocated to calls
- □ resource piece *idle* if not used by owning call (no sharing)
- dividing link bandwidth into "pieces"
  - frequency division
  - time division

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## Circuit Switching: FDM and TDM



## Numerical example

- ☐ How long does it take to send a file of 640,000 bits from host A to host B over a circuit-switched network?
  - All links are 1,536 Mbps
  - \* Each link uses TDM with 24 slots/sec
  - 500 msec to establish end-to-end circuit

Let's work it out!

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## Network Core: Packet Switching

#### each end-end data stream divided into packets

- □ user A, B packets *share* network resources
- □ each packet uses full link bandwidth
- □ resources used as needed

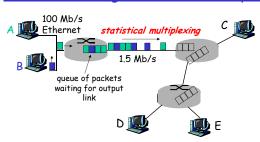


#### resource contention:

- aggregate resource demand can exceed amount available
- congestion: packets queue, wait for link use
- store and forward: packets move one hop at a time
  - Node receives complete packet before forwarding

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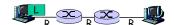
#### Packet Switching: Statistical Multiplexing



Sequence of A & B packets does not have fixed pattern, bandwidth shared on demand -> statistical multiplexing.

TDM: each host gets same slot in revolving TDM frame.

### Packet-switching: store-and-forward



- takes L/R seconds to transmit (push out) packet of L bits on to link at R bps
- store and forward:
   entire packet must
   arrive at router before
   it can be transmitted
   on next link
- delay = 3L/R (assuming zero propagation delay)

#### Example:

- □ L = 7.5 Mbits
- □ R = 1.5 Mbps
- transmission delay = 15 sec

more on delay shortly ...

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#### Packet switching versus circuit switching

Packet switching allows more users to use network!

N users

- □ 1 Mb/s link
- ach user:
  - 100 kb/s when "active"
  - active 10% of time



10 userspacket switching:

 with 35 users, probability > 10 active at same time is less than .0004 Q: how did we get value 0.0004?

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1 Mbps link

#### Packet switching versus circuit switching

Is packet switching a "slam dunk winner?"

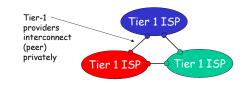
- great for bursty data
  - resource sharing
  - \* simpler, no call setup
- excessive congestion: packet delay and loss
  - protocols needed for reliable data transfer, congestion control
- Q: How to provide circuit-like behavior?
  - bandwidth guarantees needed for audio/video apps
  - still an unsolved problem (chapter 7)

Q: human analogies of reserved resources (circuit switching) versus on-demand allocation (packet-switching)?

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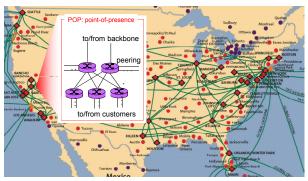
#### Internet structure: network of networks

- roughly hierarchical
- at center: "tier-1" ISPs (e.g., Verizon, Sprint, AT&T, Cable and Wireless), national/international coverage
  - \* treat each other as equals



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## Tier-1 ISP: e.g., Sprint

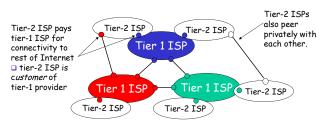


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## <u>Internet structure: network of networks</u>

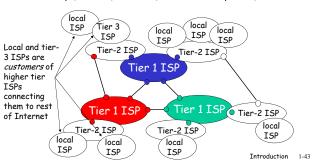
"Tier-2" ISPs: smaller (often regional) ISPs

Connect to one or more tier-1 ISPs, possibly other tier-2 ISPs



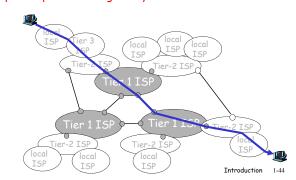
#### Internet structure: network of networks

- □ "Tier-3" ISPs and local ISPs
  - last hop ("access") network (closest to end systems)



#### Internet structure: network of networks

□ a packet passes through many networks!



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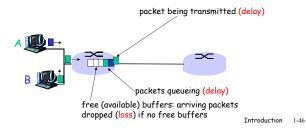
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## How do loss and delay occur?

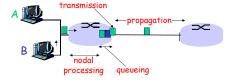
#### packets *queue* in router buffers

- packet arrival rate to link exceeds output link capacity
- packets queue, wait for turn



## Four sources of packet delay

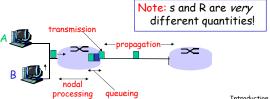
- 1. nodal processing:
  - check bit errors
  - · determine output link
- 2. queueing
  - time waiting at output link for transmission
  - depends on congestion level of router



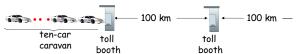
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## Delay in packet-switched networks

- 3. Transmission delay:
- R=link bandwidth (bps)
- L=packet length (bits)
- time to send bits into link = L/R
- 4. Propagation delay:
- □ d = length of physical link
- □ s = propagation speed in medium (~2×10<sup>8</sup> m/sec)
- propagation delay = d/s



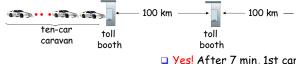
## Caravan analogy



- cars "propagate" at 100 km/hr
- toll booth takes 12 sec to service car (transmission time)
- □ car~bit; caravan ~ packet
- Q: How long until caravan is lined up before 2nd toll booth?
- □ Time to "push" entire caravan through toll booth onto highway = 12\*10 = 120 sec
- □ Time for last car to propagate from 1st to 2nd toll both: 100km/(100km/hr)= 1 hr
- □ A: 62 minutes

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## Caravan analogy (more)



- Cars now "propagate" at 1000 km/hr
- Toll booth now takes 1 min to service a car
- Q: Will cars arrive to 2nd booth before all cars serviced at 1st booth?
- Yes! After 7 min, 1st car at 2nd booth and 3 cars still at 1st booth.
- 1st bit of packet can arrive at 2nd router before packet is fully transmitted at 1st router!
  - See Ethernet applet at AWL Web site

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## Nodal delay

$$d_{\text{nodal}} = d_{\text{proc}} + d_{\text{queue}} + d_{\text{trans}} + d_{\text{prop}}$$

- □ d<sub>proc</sub> = processing delay
  - \* typically a few microsecs or less
- d<sub>queue</sub> = queuing delay
  - depends on congestion
- d<sub>trans</sub> = transmission delay
  - \* = L/R, significant for low-speed links
- d<sub>prop</sub> = propagation delay
  - a few microsecs to hundreds of msecs

average queueing delay

- R=link bandwidth (bps)
- L=packet length (bits)
- a=average packet arrival rate

 $\rho$  = traffic intensity = La/R Delay = 1 /(1- $\rho$ )



□ La/R ~ 0: average queueing delay small

Queueing delay (revisited)

- □ La/R -> 1: delays become large
- □ La/R > 1: more "work" arriving than can be serviced, average delay infinite!

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## "Real" Internet delays and routes

- □ What do "real" Internet delay & loss look like?
- □ <u>Traceroute program:</u> provides delay measurement from source to router along end-end Internet path towards destination. For all *i:* 
  - sends three packets that will reach router i on path towards destination
  - router i will return packets to sender
  - \* sender times interval between transmission and reply.



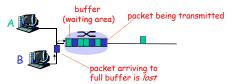
"Real" Internet delays and routes

traceroute: gaia.cs.umass.edu to www.eurecom.fr

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## Packet loss

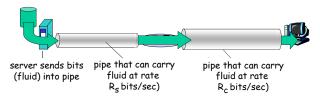
- queue (aka buffer) preceding link in buffer has finite capacity
- □ packet arriving to full queue dropped (aka lost)
- □ lost packet may be retransmitted by previous node, by source end system, or not at all



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## **Throughput**

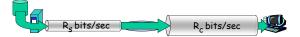
- throughput: rate (bits/time unit) at which bits transferred between sender/receiver
  - \* instantaneous: rate at given point in time
  - \* average: rate over longer period of time



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## Throughput (more)

 $\square R_s < R_c$  What is average end-end throughput?



 $\square$   $R_s > R_c$  What is average end-end throughput?



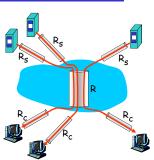
bottleneck link

link on end-end path that constrains end-end throughput

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## Throughput: Internet scenario

- ightharpoonup per-connection end-end throughput:  $min(R_c,R_s,R/10)$
- □ in practice: R<sub>c</sub> or R<sub>s</sub> is often bottleneck



10 connections (fairly) share backbone bottleneck link R bits/sec

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## Protocol "Layers"

#### Networks are complex!

- many "pieces":
  - hostsrouters
  - links of various media
  - applications
  - protocols
  - hardware, software

#### Question:

Is there any hope of organizing structure of network?

Or at least our discussion of networks?

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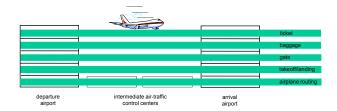
## Organization of air travel

ticket (purchase) ticket (complain)
baggage (check) baggage (claim)
gates (load) gates (unload)
runway takeoff runway landing
airplane routing
airplane routing

a series of steps

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## Layering of airline functionality



Layers: each layer implements a service

- via its own internal-layer actions
- relying on services provided by layer below

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## Why layering?

Dealing with complex systems:

- explicit structure allows identification, relationship of complex system's pieces
  - \* layered reference model for discussion
- modularization eases maintenance, updating of system
  - change of implementation of layer's service transparent to rest of system
  - e.g., change in gate procedure doesn't affect rest of system
- layering considered harmful?

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## Internet protocol stack

- application: supporting network applications
  - FTP, SMTP, HTTP
- transport: process-process data transfer
  - TCP, UDP
- network: routing of datagrams from source to destination
  - ${\color{red} \bullet}$  IP, routing protocols
- link: data transfer between neighboring network elements
  - PPP, Ethernet
- physical: bits "on the wire"

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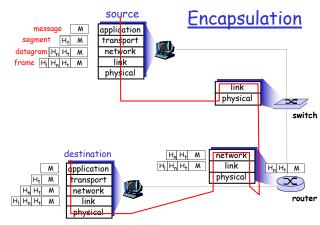
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## ISO/OSI reference model

- presentation: allow applications to interpret meaning of data, e.g., encryption, compression, machinespecific conventions
- session: synchronization, checkpointing, recovery of data exchange
- Internet stack "missing" these layers!
  - these services, if needed, must be implemented in application
  - needed?

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## Network Security

#### □ The field of network security is about:

- how bad guys can attack computer networks
- how we can defend networks against attacks
- how to design architectures that are immune to attacks

## □ Internet not originally designed with (much) security in mind

- original vision: "a group of mutually trusting users attached to a transparent network"
- Internet protocol designers playing "catch-up"
- \* Security considerations in all layers!

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## Bad guys can put malware into hosts via Internet

- Malware can get in host from a virus, worm, or trojan horse.
- Spyware malware can record keystrokes, web sites visited, upload info to collection site.
- □ Infected host can be enrolled in a botnet, used for spam and DDoS attacks.
- Malware is often self-replicating: from an infected host, seeks entry into other hosts

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## Bad guys can put malware into hosts via Internet

#### □ Trojan horse

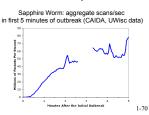
- Hidden part of some otherwise useful software
- Today often on a Web page (Active-X, plugin)

#### □ Virus

- infection by receiving object (e.g., e-mail attachment), actively executing
- self-replicating: propagate itself to other hosts, users

#### □ Worm:

- infection by passively receiving object that gets itself executed
- self- replicating: propagates to other hosts, users



## <u>Bad guys can attack servers and</u> network infrastructure

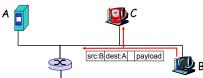
- Denial of service (DoS): attackers make resources (server, bandwidth) unavailable to legitimate traffic by overwhelming resource with bogus traffic
- 1. select target
- break into hosts around the network (see botnet)
- send packets toward target from compromised hosts



## The bad guys can sniff packets

#### Packet sniffing:

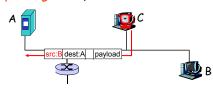
- broadcast media (shared Ethernet, wireless)
- promiscuous network interface reads/records all packets (e.g., including passwords!) passing by



 Wireshark software used for end-of-chapter labs is a (free) packet-sniffer

## The bad guys can use false source addresses

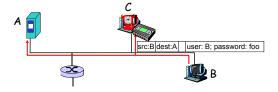
□ *IP spoofing:* send packet with false source address



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# The bad guys can record and playback

- record-and-playback: sniff sensitive info (e.g., password), and use later
  - password holder is that user from system point of view



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## **Network Security**

- □ more throughout this course
- chapter 8: focus on security
- crypographic techniques: obvious uses and not so obvious uses

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## Chapter 1: roadmap

- 1.1 What is the Internet?
- 1.2 Network edge
  - end systems, access networks, links
- 1.3 Network core
  - circuit switching, packet switching, network structure
- 1.4 Delay, loss and throughput in packet-switched networks
- 1.5 Protocol layers, service models
- 1.6 Networks under attack: security
- 1.7 History

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#### **Internet History**

#### 1961-1972: Early packet-switching principles

- □ 1961: Kleinrock queueing theory shows effectiveness of packetswitching
- □ 1964: Baran packetswitching in military nets
- 1967: ARPAnet conceived by Advanced Research Projects Agency
- 1969: first ARPAnet node operational
- 1972:
  - ARPAnet public demonstration
  - NCP (Network Control Protocol) first host-host protocol
  - first e-mail program
  - ARPAnet has 15 nodes



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#### **Internet History**

#### 1972-1980: Internetworking, new and proprietary nets

- 1970: ALOHAnet satellite network in Hawaii
- 1974: Cerf and Kahn architecture for interconnecting networks
- □ 1976: Ethernet at Xerox PARC
- architectures: DECnet, SNA, XNA
- late 70's: switching fixed length packets (ATM precursor)
- □ 1979: ARPAnet has 200 nodes

Cerf and Kahn's internetworking principles:

- minimalism, autonomy no internal changes required to interconnect networks
- best effort service model
- stateless routers
- \* decentralized control

define today's Internet architecture

## Internet History

1980-1990: new protocols, a proliferation of networks

- □ 1983: deployment of TCP/IP
- □ 1982: smtp e-mail protocol defined
- □ 1983: DNS defined for name-to-IP-address translation
- □ 1985: ftp protocol defined
- □ 1988: TCP congestion control
- new national networks: Csnet, BITnet, NSFnet, Minitel
- □ 100,000 hosts connected to confederation of networks

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#### Internet History

1990, 2000's: commercialization, the Web, new apps

- □ Early 1990's: ARPAnet decommissioned
- 1991: NSF lifts restrictions on commercial use of NSFnet (decommissioned, 1995)
- a early 1990s: Web
  - hypertext [Bush 1945, Nelson 1960's]
  - HTML, HTTP: Berners-Lee
  - 1994: Mosaic, later Netscape
  - late 1990's: commercialization of the Web

#### Late 1990's - 2000's:

- more killer apps: instant messaging, P2P file sharing
- network security to forefront
- est. 50 million host, 100 million+ users
- backbone links running at Gbps

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## **Internet History**

#### 2007:

- □ ~500 million hosts
- □ Voice, Video over IP
- P2P applications: BitTorrent (file sharing) Skype (VoIP), PPLive (video)
- more applications: YouTube, gaming
- wireless, mobility

## Introduction: Summary

#### Covered a "ton" of material!

- ☐ Internet overview
- what's a protocol?
- network edge, core, access network
  - packet-switching versus circuit-switching
  - Internet structure
- performance: loss, delay, throughput
- layering, service models
- security
- history

#### You now have:

- context, overview, "feel" of networking
- more depth, detail to follow!

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