

Networks and Protocols 1

Basic Concepts

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• Basic networking concepts

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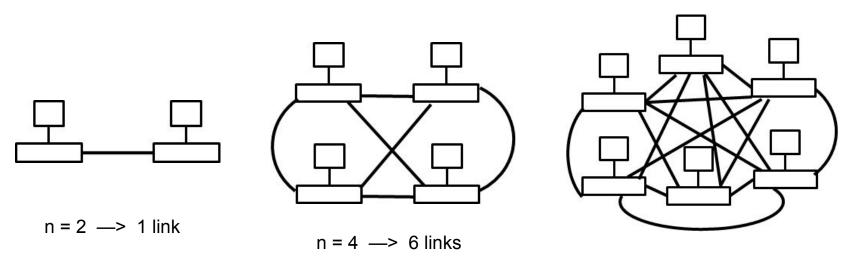
- Fundamentals of data transmission, a review of basic concepts
- MAC layer
- Network layer
- Networks for IoT



- A set of computers interconnected some way with the purpose of communicate with each other
 - Has SW and HW components
- Issues to solve
 - Scalability
 - \circ Addressing
 - Interconnection
 - Routing
 - Reliability
 - Security
 - Privacy



- Easiest and most intuitive way to interconnect computers
- The number of links increases exponentially with the number of devices
 - n devices implies n(n-1)/2 links
 - **Problem:** large amount of cables and I/O ports on each device
 - Solution: diffusion/commuted LAN and WAN



 $n = 6 \implies 15 links$

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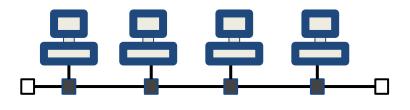
• Local Area Networks (LAN)

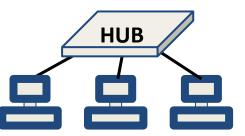
- Private
- Limited coverage
 - Interconnects devices in a home, office or building
- Each device has a unique identifier in the network: its address
 - Messages are labeled with the source and destination addresses
- Types of LAN
 - Broadcast LAN
 - Computers interconnected by a shared transmission medium
 - When a computer wants to send information, it diffused it through the media to all the rest of connected devices
 - If two or more devices transmit simultaneously a collision happens and the resulting information is invalid
 - Switched LAN
 - Computers interconnected through a switch
 - The information is sent only to the destination device
 - Free of collisions

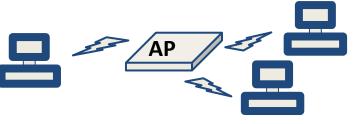


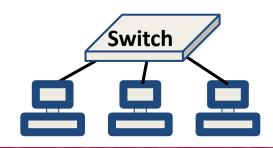
Types of networks: Local Area Networks

- LAN topologies
 - Broadcast LAN
 - Common cable (bus)
 - Example: Ethernet 10Base2
 - Hub (star)
 - The hub is a devices that retransmits what it receives through a port to al the rest of the ports
 - Example: Ethernet 10Base-T
 - Wireless LAN (WLAN)
 - The Access Point (AP) acts as a wireless hub
 - Example: Wi-Fi
 - Switched LAN
 - Switch (start)
 - Example: Fast Ethernet 100BASE-TX



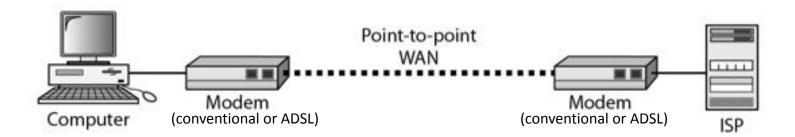






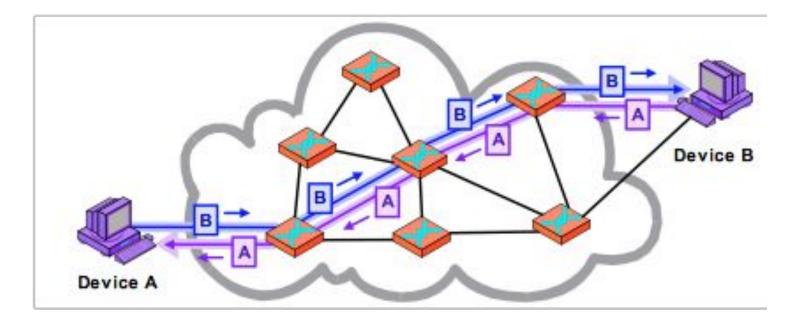


- Wide Area Network (WAN)
 - Cover a larger geographical area (city, country or even global)
 - Usually of public access, managed by telecoms
- Types of WAN
 - WAN point to point
 - Connect two devices by a transmission medium (air, cable, optic fiber)
 - Examples: conventional modem or ADSL between the home computer and the Internet Service Provider (ISP)



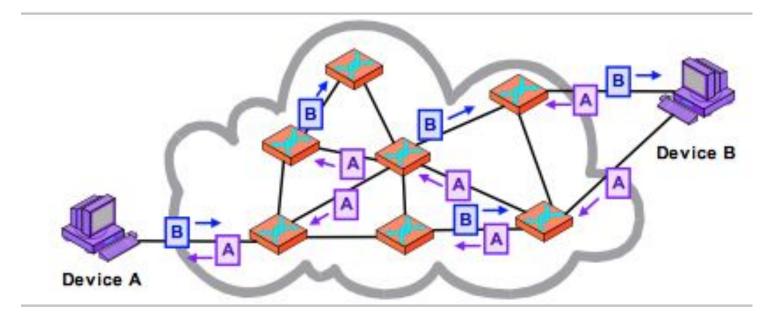


- Types of WAN (continuation)
 - Circuit Switched WAN
 - A dedicated connection is established (circuit) between the two devices
 - The switches do not process the information
 - They only establish the required circuits for the connection
 - Example: Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN)





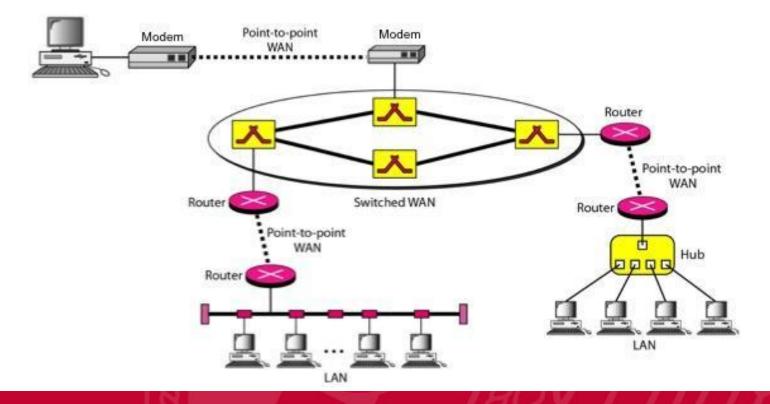
- Types of WAN (continuation)
 - Packet Switched WAN
 - The information is divided in blocks (packets or segments)
 - The switches process the packets performing two basic functions:
 - **Packet routing**: decide which is the best route from source to destination
 - **Packet forwarding**: select the next node to sent a packet based on the routing information





Scalability

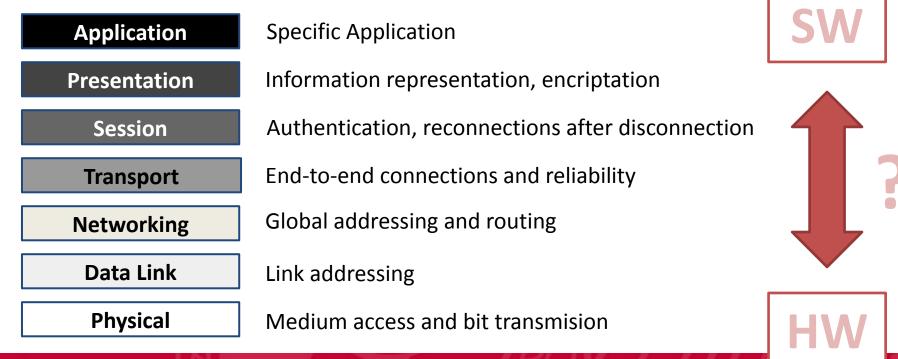
- A internet is formed by connecting several networks
- Nodes are connected locally forming LANs, these are interconnected by WANs
- Specific nodes are used to organize the traffic (routers/gateways)





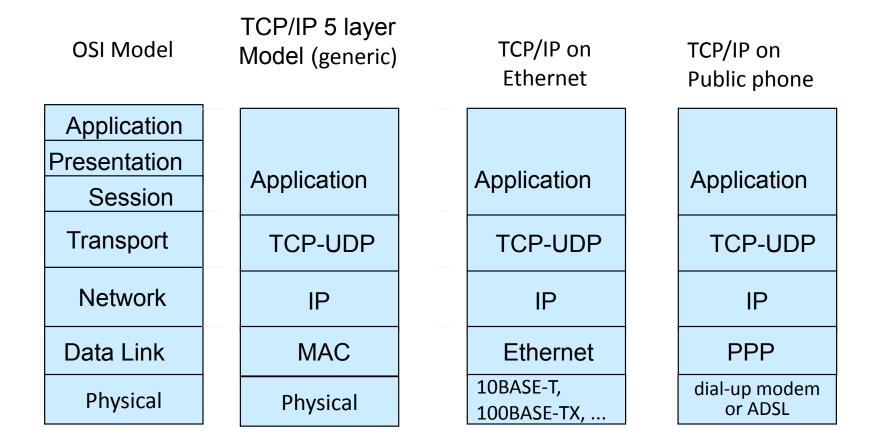
The OSI Model

- OSI (Open Systems Interconnection), developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
 - Covers all the aspects involved in communications (late 70's)
 - Its goal is to enable the communication of two devices regardless of the subjacent technologies
- It is a model for the development of protocols
 - Each layer is meant to include specific purpose protocols



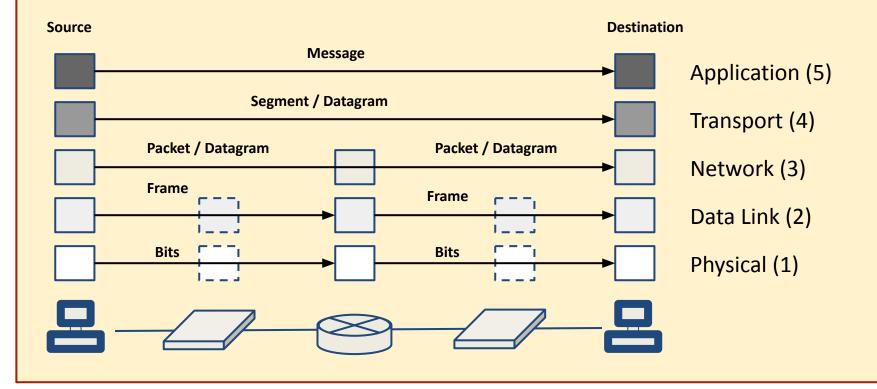


OSI vs. TCP/IP





- Layers 5, 4 and 3 are end-to-end (internet)
- Layers 2 and 1 are step-by-step, between host and router or between routers (link)





- Hubs: Work at the physical layer (level 1)
 - Retransmit bit by bit what they receive through one port to the rest of its ports
 - They can connect devices or network segments of the same type and speed
- Switches: are devices that work at the data link layer (level 2)
 - Send a frame to the corresponding output according to the destination MAC address
 - Can store the complete frame and check for errors
 - Can interconnect devices and networks of the same type, even if they work at different speeds (e.g. 100Base-TX and 1000Base-T)
- **Routers:** are devices that work at the network layer (level 3)
 - Can interconnect networks of different types
 - They perform two basic operations:
 - Format conversions
 - Routing

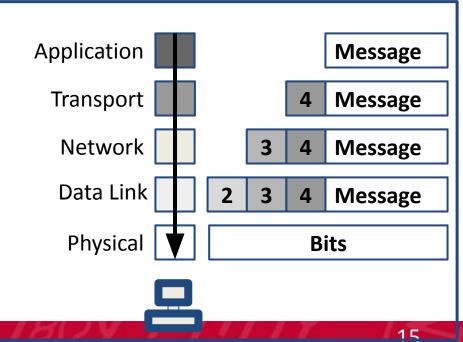


Encapsulation

- At each level the protocol adds a header to the message (payload) that contains information specific for that protocol
- The transport header includes information of the source and destination processes, error control (e.g. checksums) or flow control
- The network layer adds information about the source and destination devices, error control and fragmentation
- The MAC layer includes the L2 addresses of the two devices communicating at that step

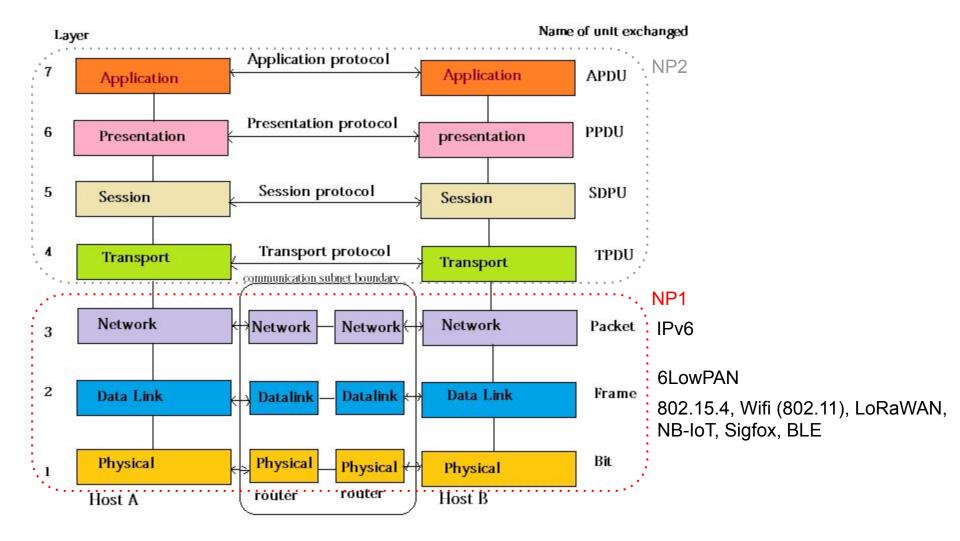
Reception

- Each layer processes its corresponding header and sends the payload to the next layer protocol
- Errors are checked at each level
- Routers can assemble a new packet for the next step, the datagram (3) is barely modified



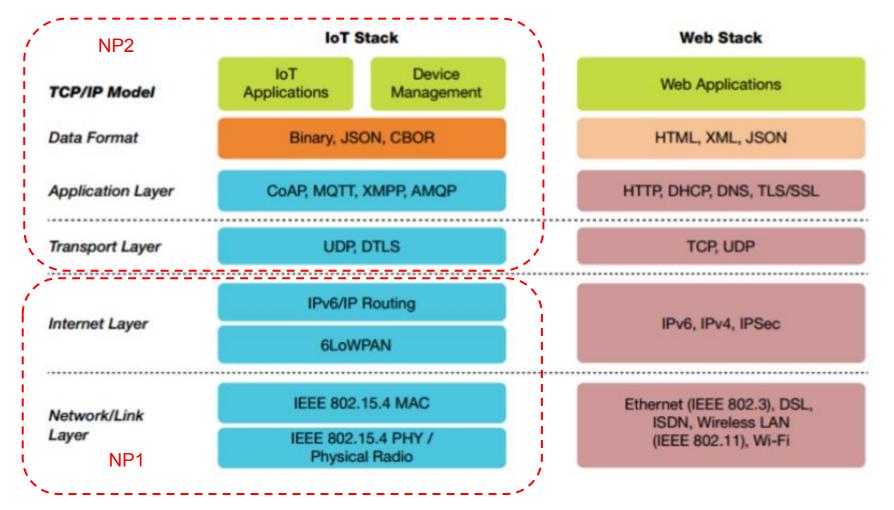


NP1: networking infrastructure



New Protocols adapted to IoT

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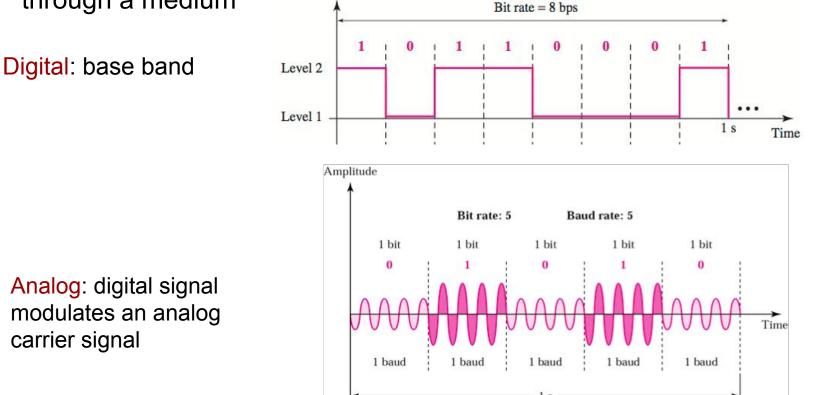
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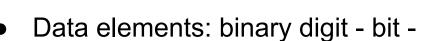


- Data: transmitted information, sequence of bits
 - e.g.: 10110001

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 Signals: electromagnetic codification used to send information through a medium
 Amplitude Amplitude Bit sent in 1 s, Bit rate = 8 bps





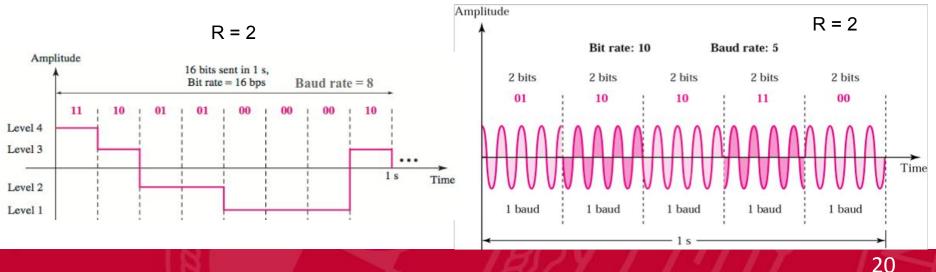
• Signal elements:

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- Symbol: waveform used to represent the bits
 - It has a certain time duration
- With V = 2^{R} different symbols we can represent R bits per symbol

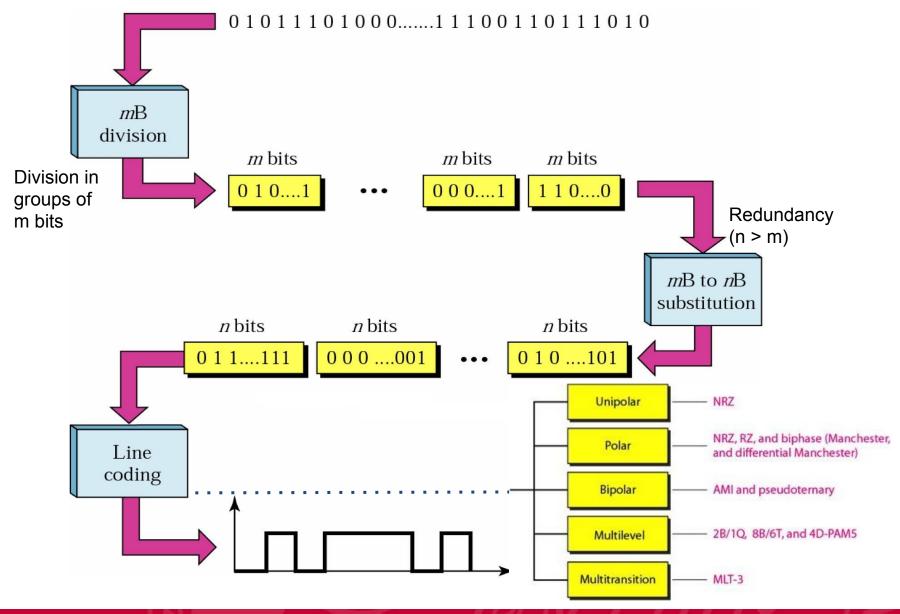
Signal and data elements

- R < 1: more than one symbol is used to represent one bit (redundancy)
- Transmission rate
 - Bauds: transmission rate in symbols/s
 - **bps**: transmission rate in bits/s (bps = R x bauds)
 - International system: 1 kps = 1000 bps





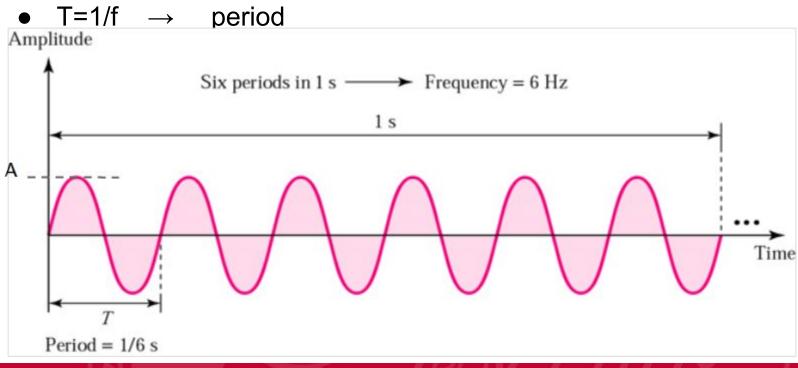
Digital transmission (base band)



Sinusoid signal components:

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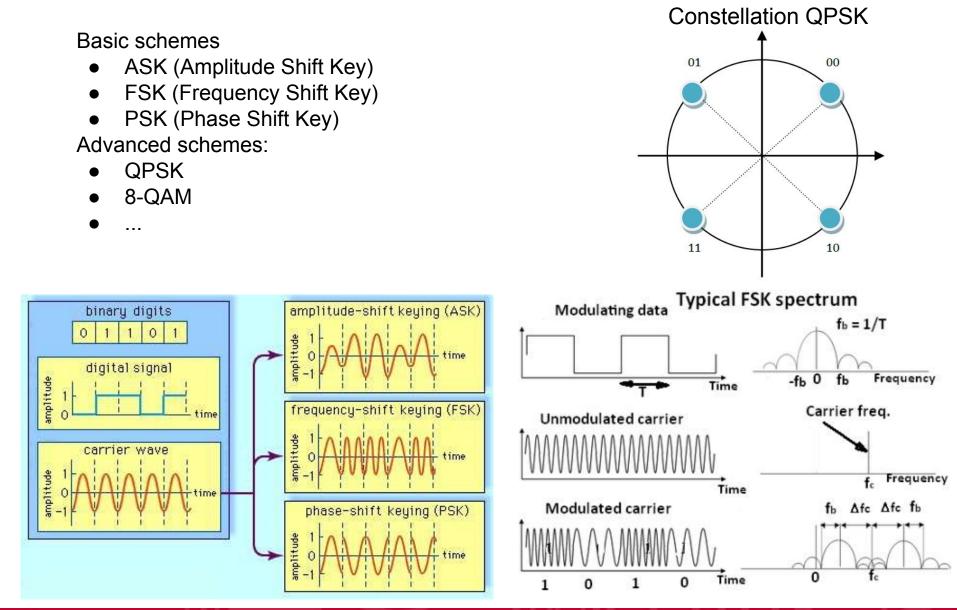
- $s(t) = A \sin(2 \pi f t + \Phi)$, where:
- A \rightarrow amplitude
- f \rightarrow frequency
- $\Phi \rightarrow$ phase



Analog transmission: modulation

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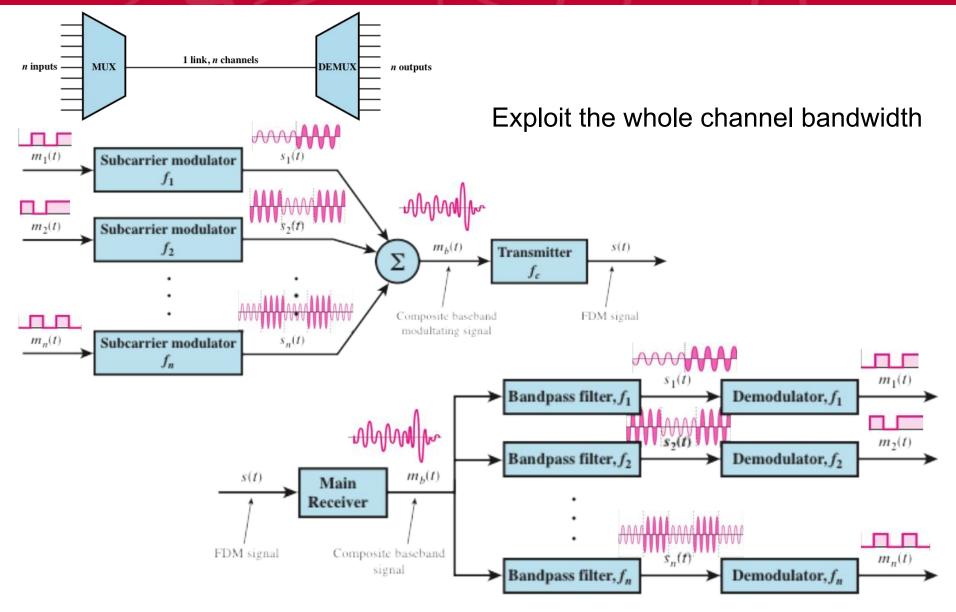
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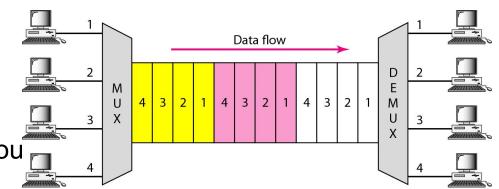
Frequency Division Multiplexing (FDM)



Time Division Multiplexing (TDM)

Temporal split of the channel

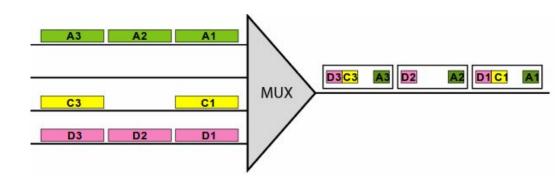
- Time is splitted in slots
- Each slot is assigned to a source



Two alternatives

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• Synchronous: static slot

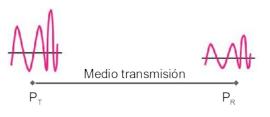


• Statistical: dynamic slot as



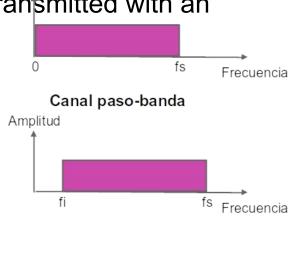
Channel properties

- Attenuation:
 - $\circ \quad A_{dB} = 10 \cdot \log(P_R/P_T)$

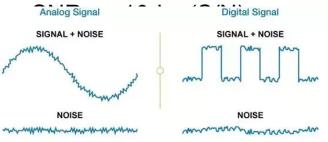


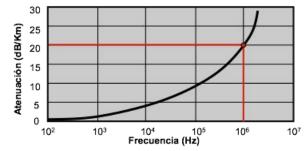
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- Band width: frequency range that can be transmitted with an acceptable attenuation
 - \circ H = fs fi
 - Low pass: fi == 0
 - Band pass: fi != 0
 - Modulation required









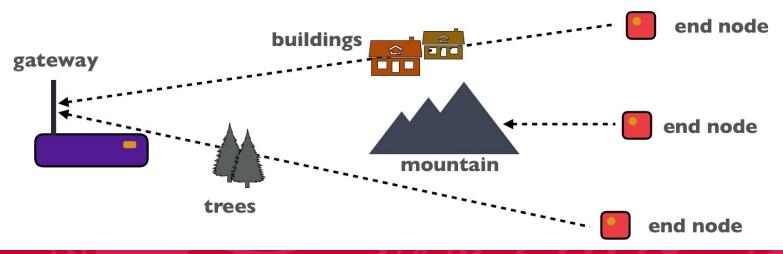
- Line of sight: direct transmission between sender and receiver, without obstacles
 - Signals are attenuated with the distance

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Electromagnetic wave propagation

- Obstacles: signals are attenuated by the obstacles
 - The absorption increases with material conductivity





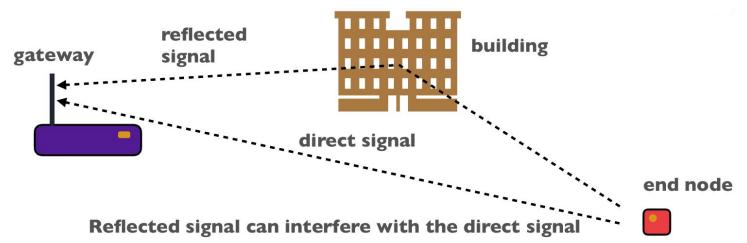
Free Space Loss en dB:

L_{fs} = 32.45 + 20 log D + 20 log f D: Distance between the sender and receiver in Km f: frequency in MHz

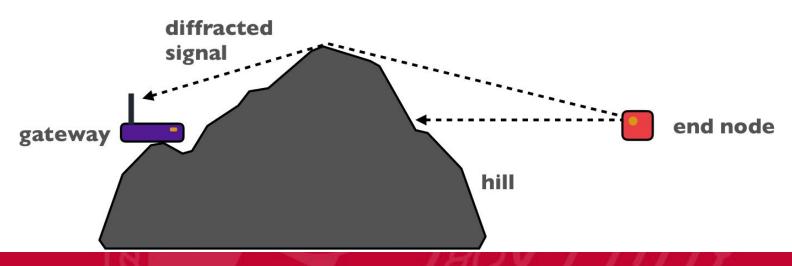
E.g. f = 868MHz D = 0.01 km, L_{fs} = 32.45 + 20 log(0.01) + 20 log(868) = 51 dB D = 0.05 km, L_{fs} = 32.45 + 20 log(0.05) + 20 log(868) = 65 dB D = 0.10 km, L_{fs} = 32.45 + 20 log(0.10) + 20 log(868) = 71 dB D = 0.50 km, L_{fs} = 32.45 + 20 log(0.50) + 20 log(868) = 85 dB D = 1.00 km, L_{fs} = 32.45 + 20 log(1.00) + 20 log(868) = 91 dB



Obstacles can also reflect waves



• Or diffract the transmitted signal

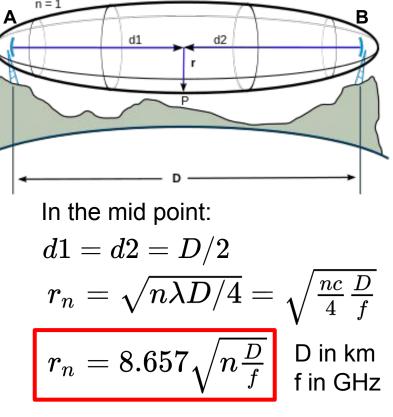




Fresnel Zones

Points of space in which a reflection produces a shift in phase proportional to $\lambda/2$ with respect to the direct wave:

D = d1 + d2 $\overline{AP} + \overline{PB} - D = n\frac{\lambda}{2}$ $\sqrt{r_n^2+d1^2}+\sqrt{r_n^2+d1^2}-D=nrac{\lambda}{2}$ $\sqrt{1+x^2}pprox 1+rac{x^2}{2}$ $d1(1+rac{r_n^2}{2d1^2})+d2(1+rac{r_n^2}{2d2^2})-D=nrac{\lambda}{2}$ $r_n^2(rac{1}{d1}+rac{1}{d2})=n\lambda$ $r_n = \sqrt{n\lambda rac{d1d2}{d1+d2}}$



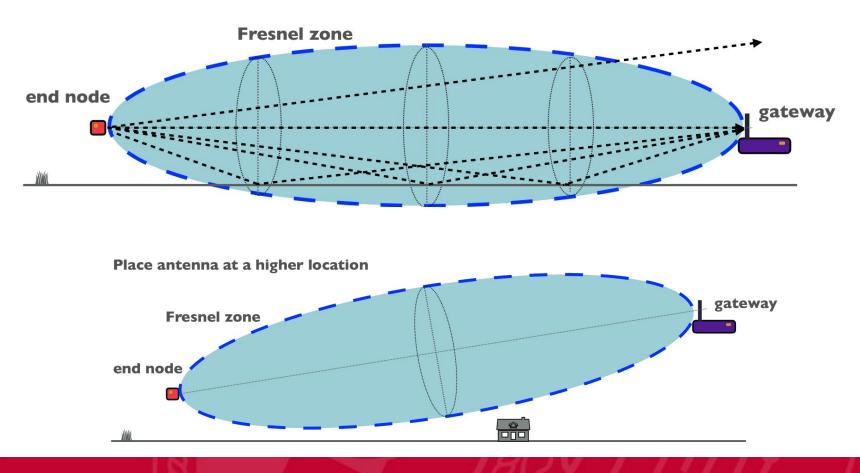
Obstacles should be avoided in the first Fresnel zone



Fresnel Zones

The radius of the fresnel zones increase with the distance

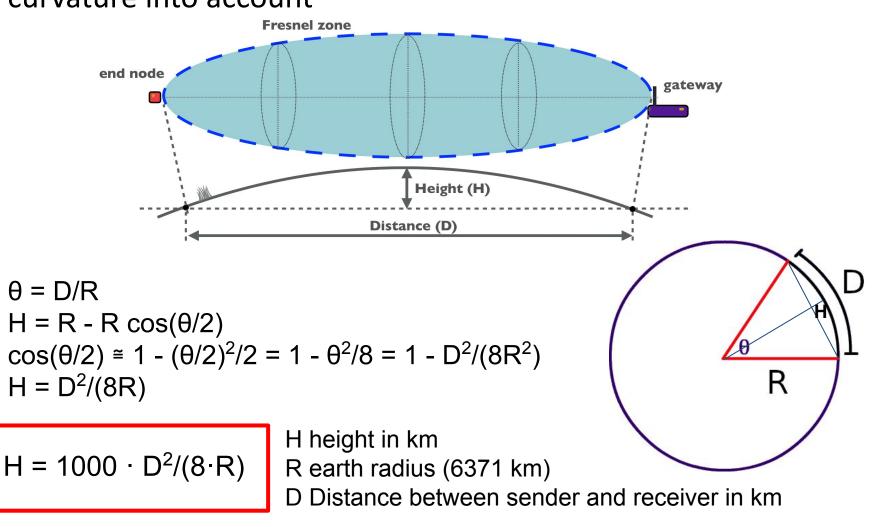
• Antennas can be lifted up to avoid reflexions with the ground and other obstacles



Earth curvature

The expression $r = 8.657 \times sqrt(D / f)$ does not take the earth curvature into account

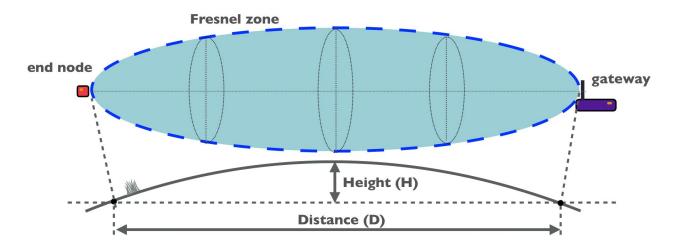
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Earth Curvature

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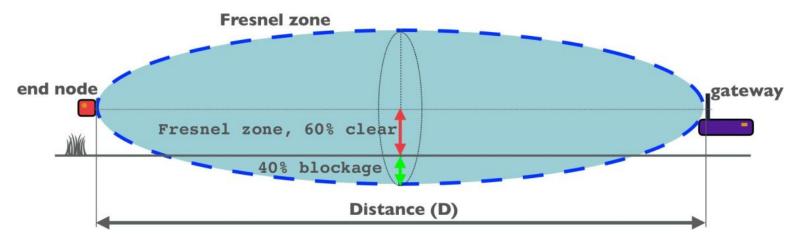


D (km)	H (m)
0.1	negligible
0.5	negligible
1	negligible
2	negligible
5	0.49

D (km)	H (m)
10	1.96
15	4.41
20	7.84
25	12.26
30	17.65

Fresnel zone: rule of thumb 60/40

A good compromise is to have at least 60% of the first fresnel zone free of obstacles



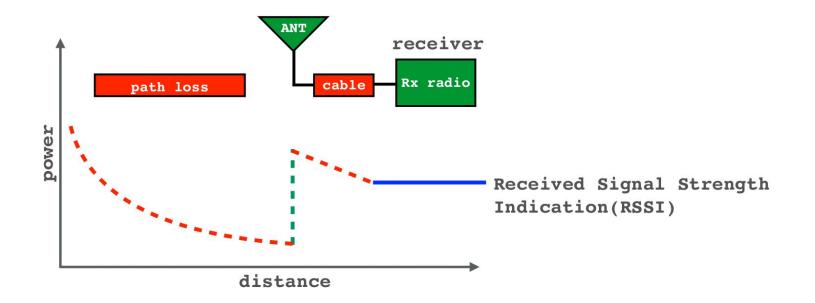
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r + H (m)	0.6r + H	0.6 r (m)	H (m)	r (m)	D (km)	
1.76	1.76	1.76	0.0002	2.94	0.1	
3.95	3.95	3.94	0.0049	6.57	0.5	
5.59	5.59	5.57	0.0196	9.29	1	
7.96	7.96	7.88	0.0785	13.14	2	
12.96	12.90	12.47	0.4905	20.78	5	
19.59	19.5	17.63	1.9620	29.38	10	
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f = 868MHz

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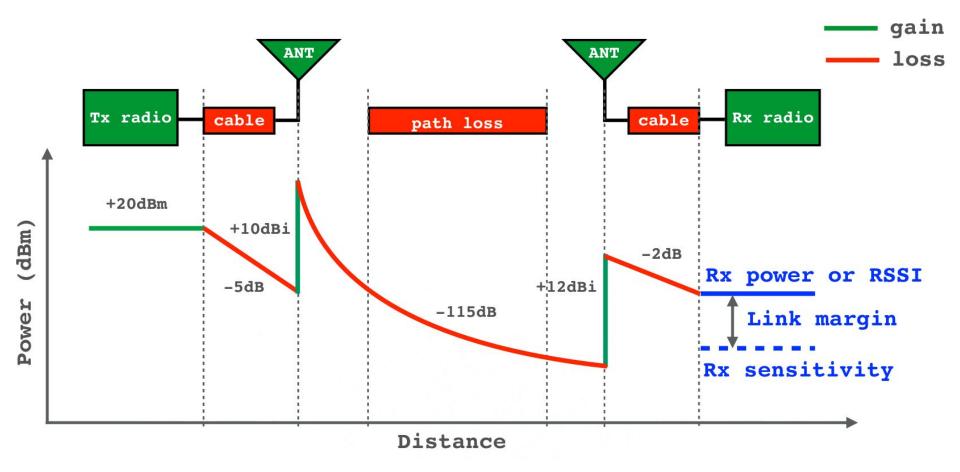
(COMPLUTENSE Received Signal Strength Indication (RSSI)

- Received power, expressed in dBm
- Is an indication of how well the emitted signal is received
 - Usually a negative value, the closer to zero the better





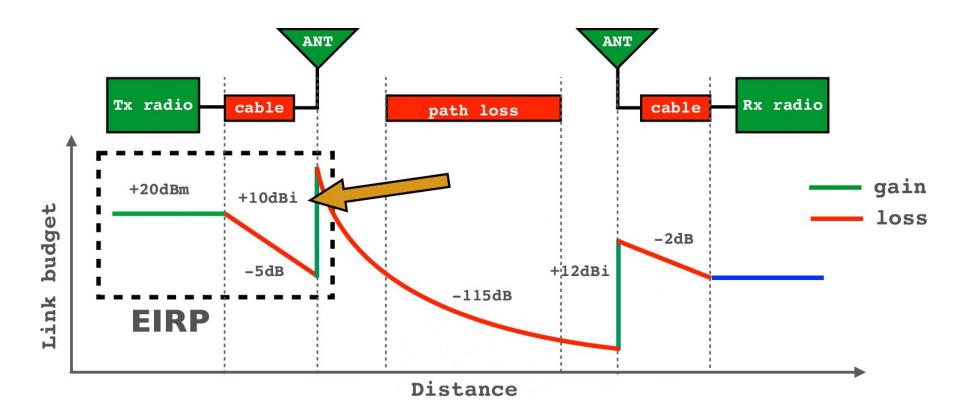
Link Margin



RSSI - Received Signal Strength Indication

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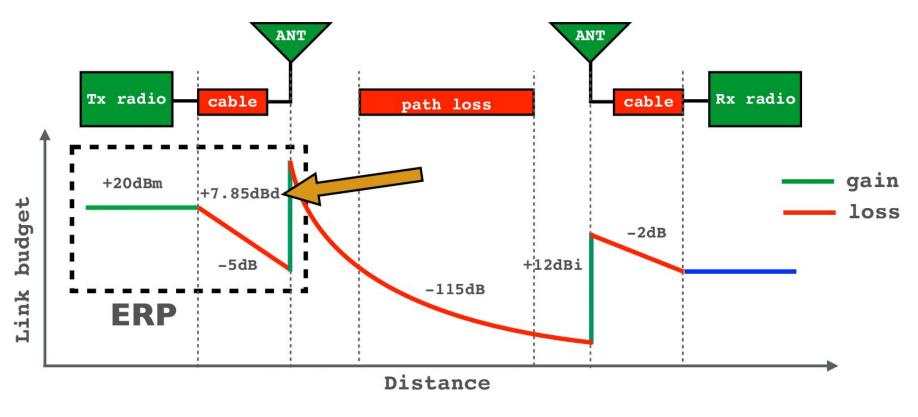
- Effective radiated power with respect to a hypothetical isotropic antenna
 - The gain of the emitter antenna is expressed in dBi



Effective Radiated Power (ERP)

- Effective radiated power with respect to an half wave dipole antenna ($\lambda/2$)
 - The gain of the emitter antenna is expressed in dBd

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ERIP(dBm) = ERP(dBm) + 2.15



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MAC layer

Responsibilities:

- Framing
- Identification (seq. numbers and MAC addressing)
- Error detection
- Medium access and collision detection

Ethernet networks

Ethernet MAC protocol

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- Ethernet uses CSMA/CD as MAC protocol, which is based on CSMA
 - CSMA = Carrier Sense Multiple Access
 - CSMA/CD = Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Detection
 - Both are distributed protocols and collisions are possible
 - CSMA/CD is more efficient as it can detect collisions and effectively react to them

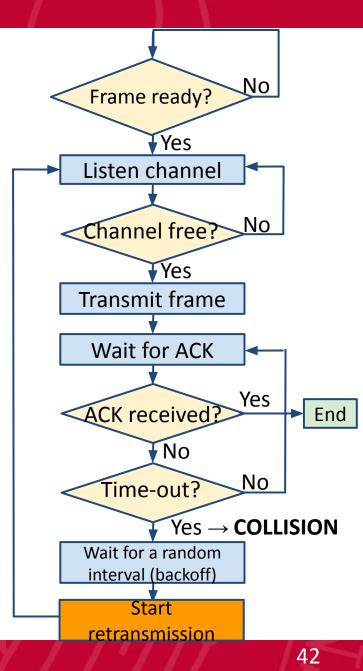
 When a computer has a frame ready to be sent, it first listens the channel, and sends only if it is free

CSMA

- Each frame must be acknowledged (ACK) by the receiver to confirm a correct reception without collisions
- In case of collisions:

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- If the computers involved retransmit immediately after the time-out for an ACK reception, a collision will happen again
- To avoid it the computers must wait a random backoff time to start a new transmission

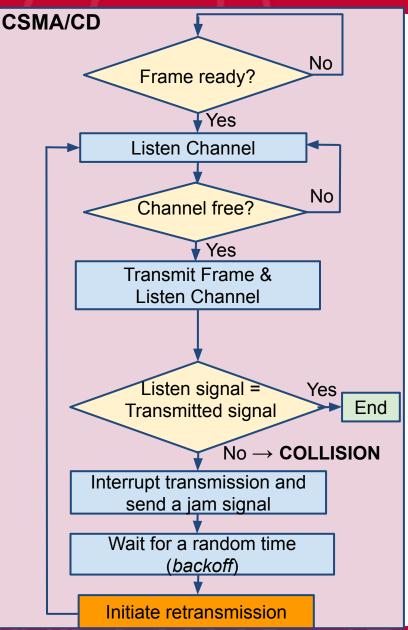


CSMA/CD

• The emitter listen the channel while the frame is being send

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- If the listened signal differs from the send signal, a collision is detected
- The transmission must last long enough for a transmission started at the farthest point be perceived before the end of the frame transmission





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Network layer: IP protocol

Internet Network Protocol

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- Provides a basic datagram delivery service
 - TCP/IP networks are build on top of this service
- It is a connectionless oriented protocol (not reliable)
 - It does not detect nor recover lost or erroneous datagrams
 - Datagrams are not guaranteed to arrive in order
 - Duplicate datagrams are not detected/removed

Basic responsibilities of the IP protocol

- Global addressing
 - Unique address in the Internet
- Datagram Fragmentation and reassembly
 - Datagram is divided into fragments of the appropriate size for the underlying network
- Forwarding of datagrams
 - Forwarding is done based on the routing information stored in routing tables
 - The information in routing tables can be:
 - Static: manually filled by system administrator
 - Dynamic: filled by some routing protocol that uses the IP services, like RIP, OSPF, BGP, etc.



IPv4: datagram format

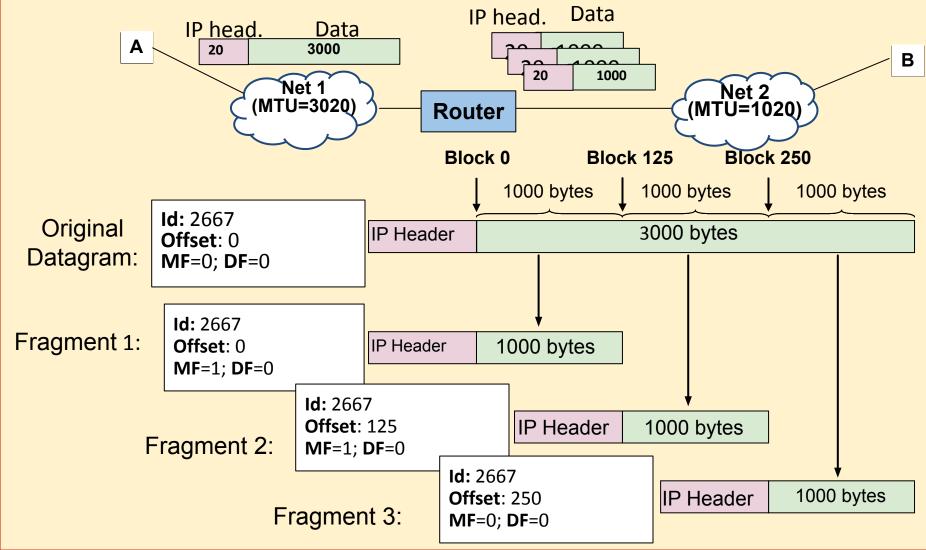
0	4	8 1	6 19 3		31				
Version	IHL	Service type	Total Length						
Id			Flags	s Fragment offset					
Time To	Time To Live Protocol			Checksum					
Source IP address									
Destination IP address									
Options									
Data									

HEADER



IPv4: Fragmentation

Fragmentation Example





- IPv4 addresses are 4 bytes (32 bits)
 - Dot Notation: each byte in decimal notation, with dot separator between bytes
 - Example: 128.2.7.9 = 10000000 . 00000010 . 00000111 . 00001001
- Types of addresses
 - Unicast: a single host
 - Multicast: a group of hosts
 - Broadcast: All hosts in my local network



Routing: Introduction to

- Routing: in a packet switched network the routing algorithm must find a path from source to destination traversing the intermediate switches or routers
- In caso of more than one valid path, the "best" one must be selected
- A metric must be selected to choose which path is the "best"
 - **Number of hops**: takes into account the number of intermediate routers that must be traversed to reach the destination
 - **Geographical distance**: takes into account the distance (in km) of the path
 - Average latency: usually equivalent to geographical distance, as latency is usually proportional to the length of the lines
 - **Band width**: takes into account the band width of each of the networks that must be traversed
 - **Amount of traffic**: takes into account the average usage of the lines in the path, trying to avoid saturation/congestion

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Routing: Introduction to

Local Routing:

- No information of the network topology
- E.g. flooding

Static Routing:

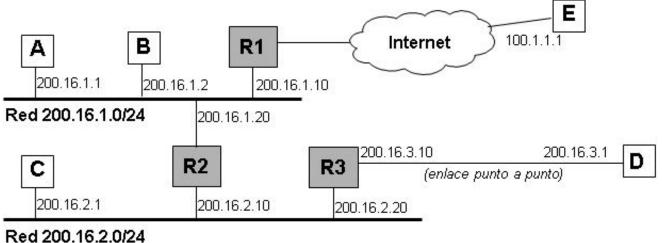
- The network administrator manually decides the routing tables based on his knowledge of the network topology
- The network cannot adapt automatically to changes in the topology Dynamic Routing:
- The routing tables are build automatically, based on periodic information interchange between the routers in the network
- No need for manual configuration
- They adapt automatically to changes in the network
- Two common approaches
 - Distance vector algorithms: e.g. RIP
 - Link state algorithms: e.g. OSPF



IPv4 forwarding

Routing tables in IPv4

• Example: assume the following network



• The routing table for host A could be the following:

	# route -n							
	Kernel IP routing table							
	Destination	Gateway	Genmask	Flags	Iface			
1>	200.16.1.0	0.0.0.0	255.255.255.0	U	eth0			
2>	200.16.2.0	200.16.1.20	255.255.255.0	UG	eth0			
3>	200.16.3.1	200.16.1.20	255.255.255.255	UGH	eth0			
4>	0.0.0.0	200.16.1.10	0.0.0	UG	eth0			



IPv4 is obsolete

- IPv4 uses 32 bits addresses
 - Máximum of 4.294.967.296 different addresses
 - Class addressing does not allow to use them all (~250 million)
- Problem with *class* addressing
 - A lot of class B addresses are required, we have run out of them
 - Several consecutive class C addresses have been used as a superclass network address to solve this problem
 - Routing tables growth too large
- CIDR (Classless Interdomain Routing) alleviates the problem
 - The routing tables store also the network mask
 - Helps to reduce the number of entries required in the routing tables
 - We can assign blocks of addresses better suited to the required size
- NAT (Network Address Translation) is used to save public IP addresses
 - A router hides a local network from the rest of the Internet.
 - The routers appears as a single machine with only one public IP address to the rest of the Internet
 - CG-NAT (Carrier Grade NAT) used by ISP as a double NAT
 - Your router has no more a public IP, you cannot serve from home!
 WE RUNNED OUT OF IPv4 ADDRESSES!!!



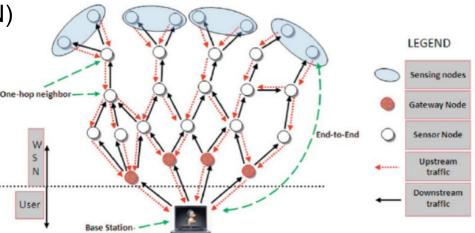
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- Simple protocols, with low bandwidth and low power consumption
 - Efficient bandwidth exploitation is key
 - Simple nodes, low computational capabilities, battery powered
- Disparity of ranges
 - Personal Area Networks (PAN)
 - Wide area Networks (WAN)
- Large number of nodes, with low bandwidth
 - Gateway, interface with the exterior
 - Limited Bandwidth
 - Several topologies possible

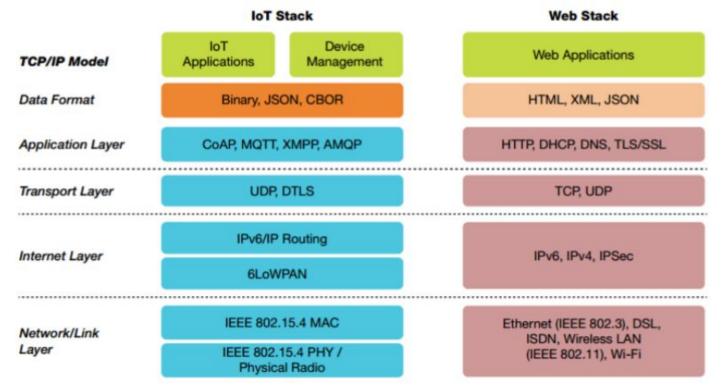


• IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force) has developed alternative protocols (designed specifically) for IoT on top of IPv6

Specific IoT stacks

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 The IPSO (Internet Protocol for Smart Objects) Alliance has published alternative standards and protocols for each layer of the TCP/IP stack





Global perspective



35% SOM

- Well established standards
- ✓ Good for:
 - Mobile devices
 - In-home
 - Short range
- Not good:
 - Battery life
 - Long range

LPWAN ? Long Range w/ Battery Internet of Objects



55% SOM

- Emerging PHY solutions
- ✓ Good for:
 - Long range
 - Long battery
 - Low cost
 - Positioning
- Not good:
 - High data-rate



Long Range w/Power Traditional M2M



10% SOM

 Well established standards

✓ Good for:

- Long range
- High data-rate
- Coverage
- Not good:
 - Battery life
 - Cost