TDTS04/11: Computer Networks

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Notes derived from "*Computer Networking: A Top Down Approach*", by Jim Kurose and Keith Ross, Addison-Wesley.

The slides are adapted and modified based on slides from the book's companion Web site, as well as modified slides by Anirban Mahanti and Carey Williamson.

English

- The courses will be given in English …
  - … but first a few words in Swedish … (apologies to exchange and international students)
- Many reasons, including (but not limited to):
  - Terminology mostly in English
  - Google and the literature will give you **many more** and **much better** answers …
  - Much better lecture quality … especially with good book + slides in English
  - (+ **many** more reasons)
- Great opportunity to practice
  - Can still ask questions in Swedish … (please remind me to rephrase the question in English)
  - Understanding is the focus (not your language skills …)

People

- Examiner and lecturer
  - Niklas Carlsson
  - Research area: Design, modeling, and performance evaluation of distributed systems and networks
- Lab assistants TDTS04
  - Vengatanathan Krishnamoorthi, PhD student
  - Sergiu Rafiliu, PhD student
- Lab assistant TDTS11
  - Rahul Hiran, PhD student
- Director of studies
  - Patrick Lambrix

Course Overview(s)

- Written exam
  - Grads: 'fail', 3, 4, 5.
- Five (5) or four (4) mandatory lab assignments
  - Must pass all assignments
  - Thirteen (13) or eight (8) lab opportunities
  - Register on webreg. (Deadline on Friday!!)
  - TDTS11: one (1) optional assignment
    - Up to 4 bonus marks for exam
- Fourteen (14) or ten (10) lectures
  - Ten (10) network "focus"
  - Four (4) distributed systems "focus"
  - + Last lecture with some exam preparation
- See website for more information ...

My expectations

- Read textbook
  - Good textbook, written by highly regarded researchers in the field
  - Lots of content
  - Not time to cover everything during lectures
- Work hard
  - Pay attention during lectures
  - Make sure you understand the material
  - Start assignments early (some will take time)
- Follow deadlines and office hours

What to expect? (What will be covered?)

- Design principles for computer networks
  - Conceptual view of Internet architecture
- Design, resource, and performance tradeoffs
  - General working knowledge of protocols/applications
  - Detailed knowledge of selected protocols/applications
  - Some practical hands on experience
- Glimpse into the future of the Internet
  - Emerging trends and technologies

Roadmap (today's lecture)

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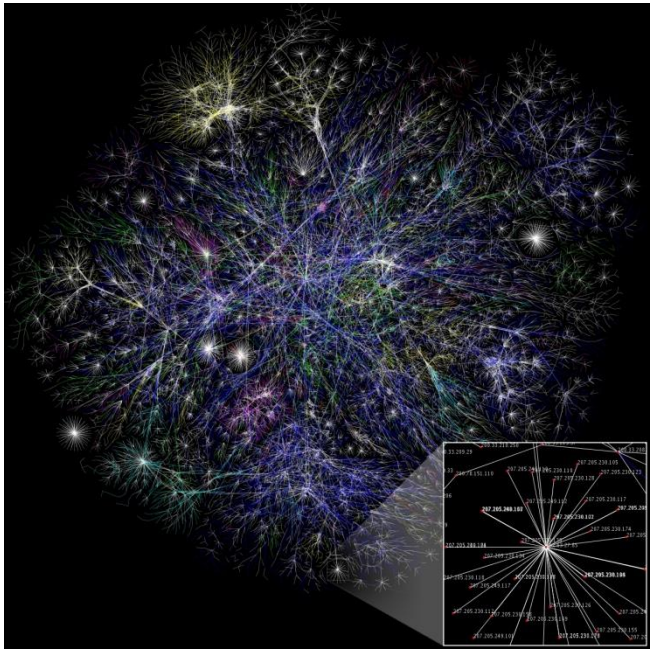
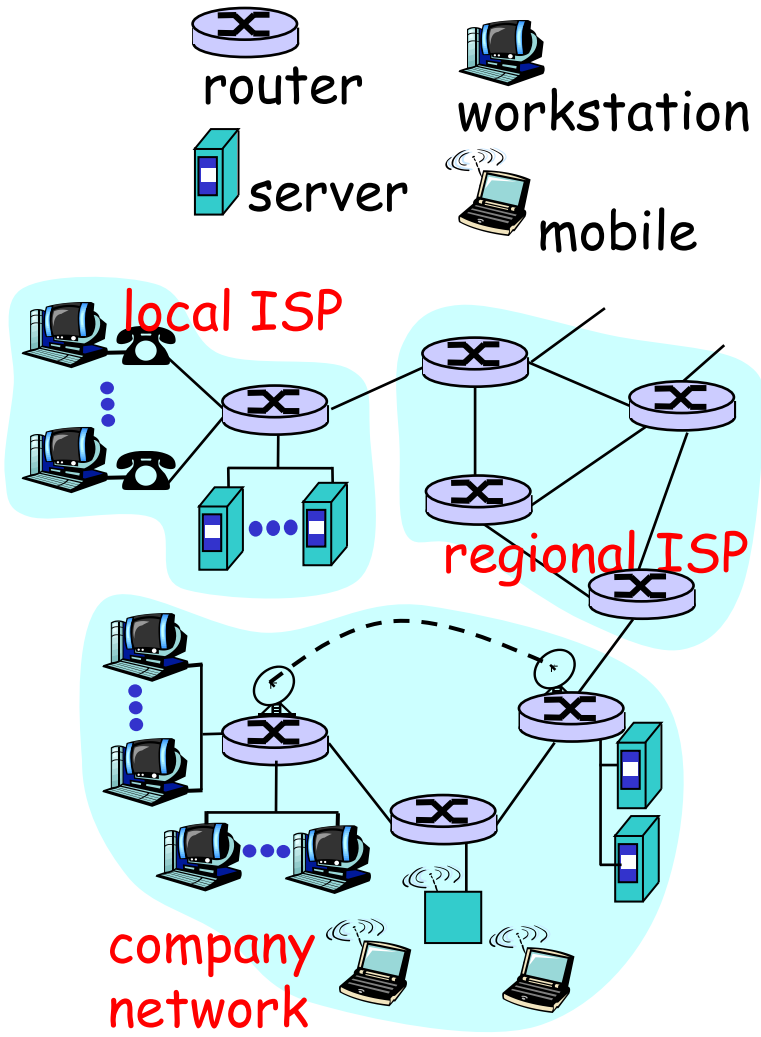


Computer Network?

- "interconnected collection of autonomous computers connected by a communication technology"
- What is the Internet?
  - "network of networks"
  - "collection of networks interconnected by routers"
  - "a communication medium used by millions"
    - Email, chat, Web "surfing", streaming media
- Internet ≠ Web

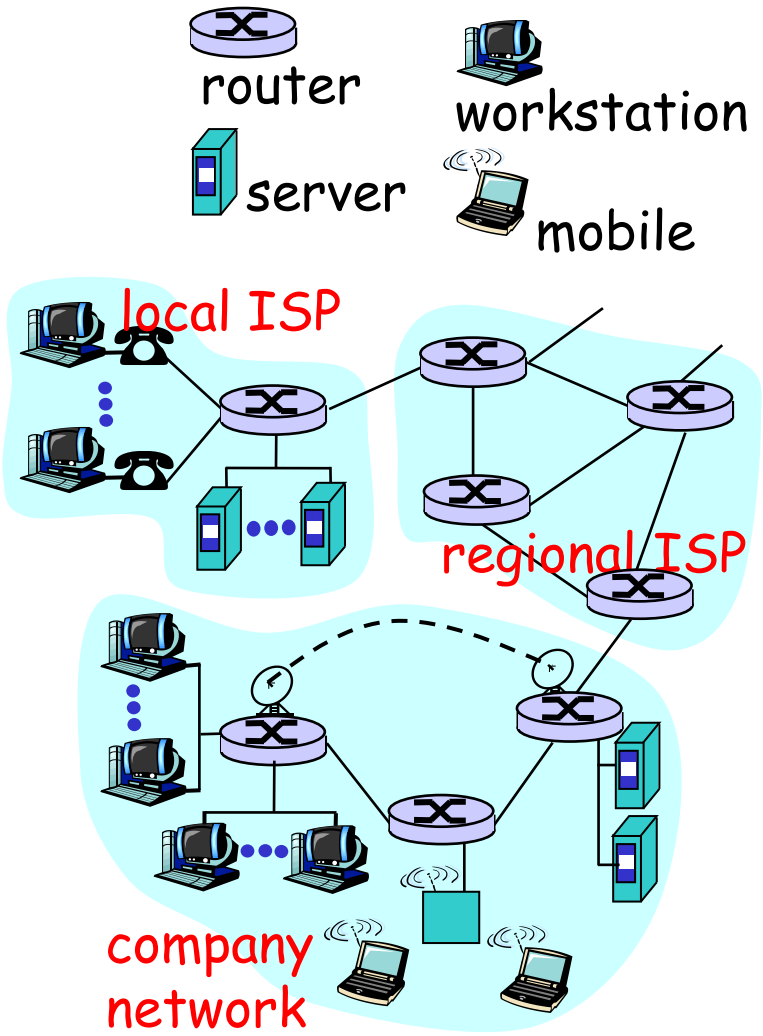
The "nuts and bolts" view of the Internet



The "nuts and bolts" view of the Internet

- millions of connected computing devices called *hosts or end-systems*
  - PCs, workstations, servers
  - PDAs, phones, toasters

  running *network apps*
- *communication links*
  - fiber, copper, radio, satellite
  - links have different capacities (*bandwidth*)
- *routers:* forward packets
- packet: piece of a message (basic unit of transfer)



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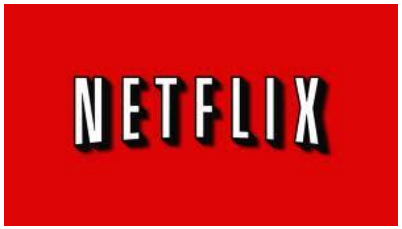
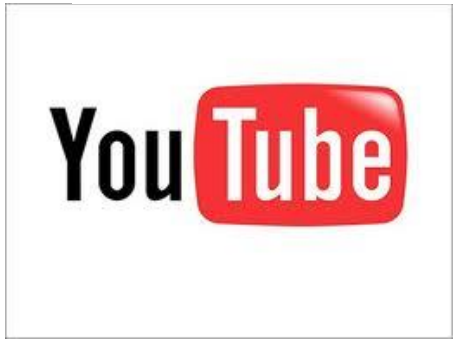


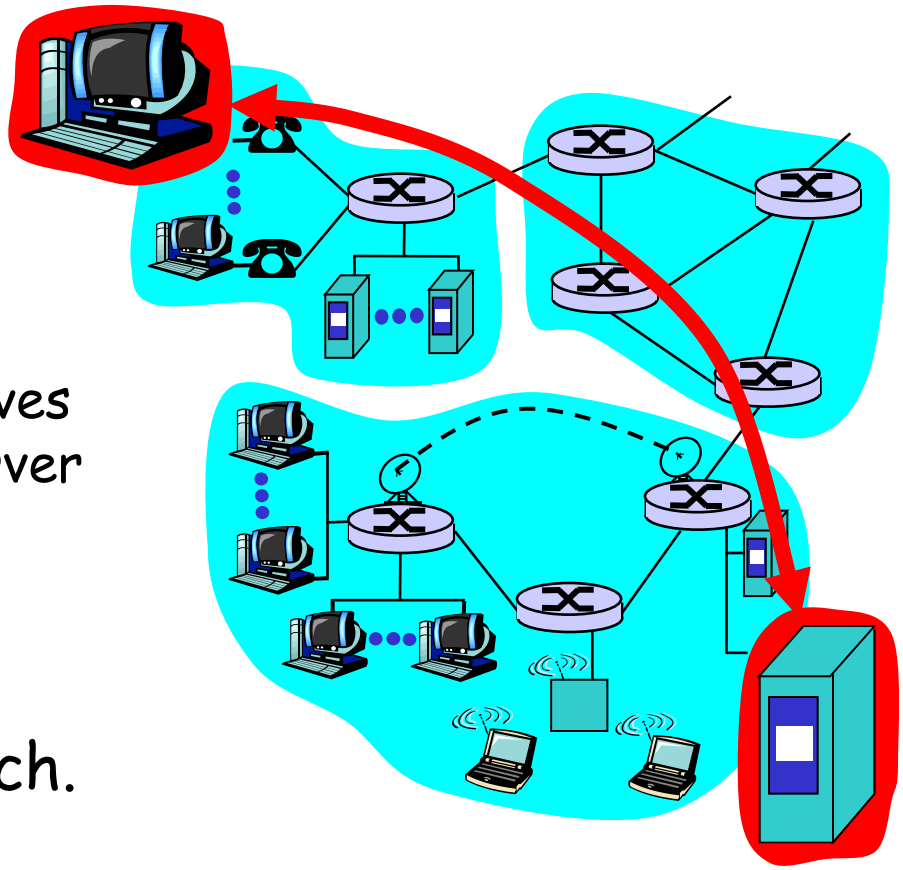


Applications: Example classes

- File transfer
- Remote login (telnet, rlogin, ssh)
- World Wide Web (WWW)
- Instant Messaging (Internet chat, text messaging on cellular phones)
- Peer-to-Peer file sharing
- Internet Phone (Voice-Over-IP)
- Video-on-demand
- Distributed Games
- … and many more to come/discuss …

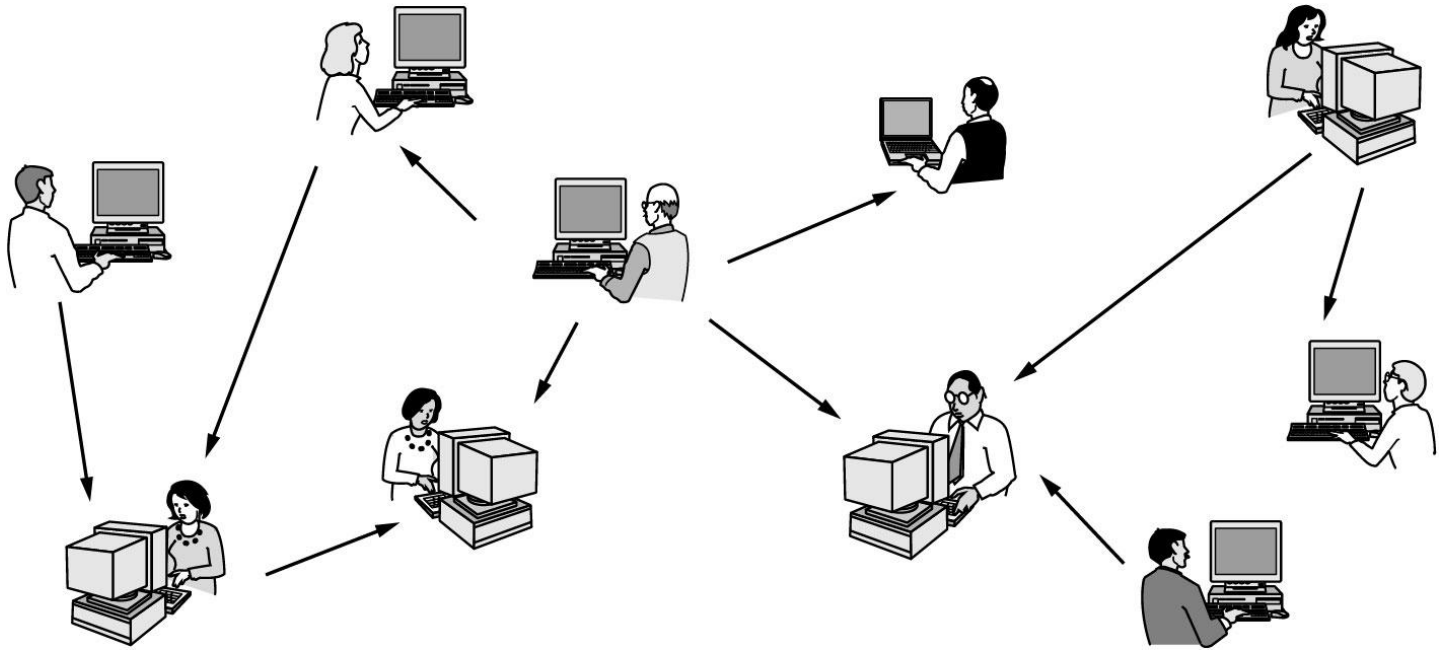
Applications (2)

- end systems (hosts):
  - run application programs
  - e.g. Web, email, ftp
  - at "edge of network"
- client/server model
  - client host requests, receives service from always-on server
  - e.g. Web browser/server; email client/server
- Client/server model has well-defined roles for each.



Applications (3)

- peer-to-peer model:
  - No fixed clients or servers
  - Each host can act as both client and server at any time
- Examples: Napster, Gnutella, KaZaA, BitTorrent



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- Internet is an example of an internetwork.
  - Internetwork: interconnection of networks
  - Subnetwork: a constituent of an internet
  - Intermediate system: a device used to connect two networks allowing hosts of the networks to correspond with each other
    - Bridge
    - Router

A Classification of Networks

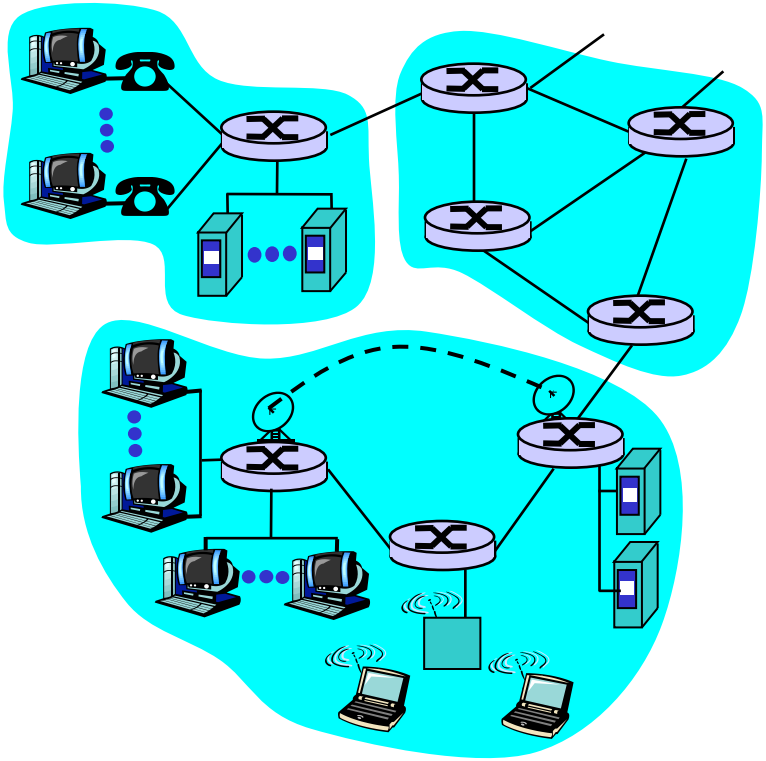
- Wide Area Network (WAN)
- Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)
- Local Area Network (LAN)

- Wireless LAN (WLAN)
- Home Networks
- Personal Area Network (PAN)
- Body Area Network (BAN)

- … and more (incl. sensor and ad-hoc) …

Wide Area Network (WAN)

- Spans a large geographic area, e.g., a country or a continent
- A WAN consists of several transmission lines and routers
- Internet is an example of a WAN

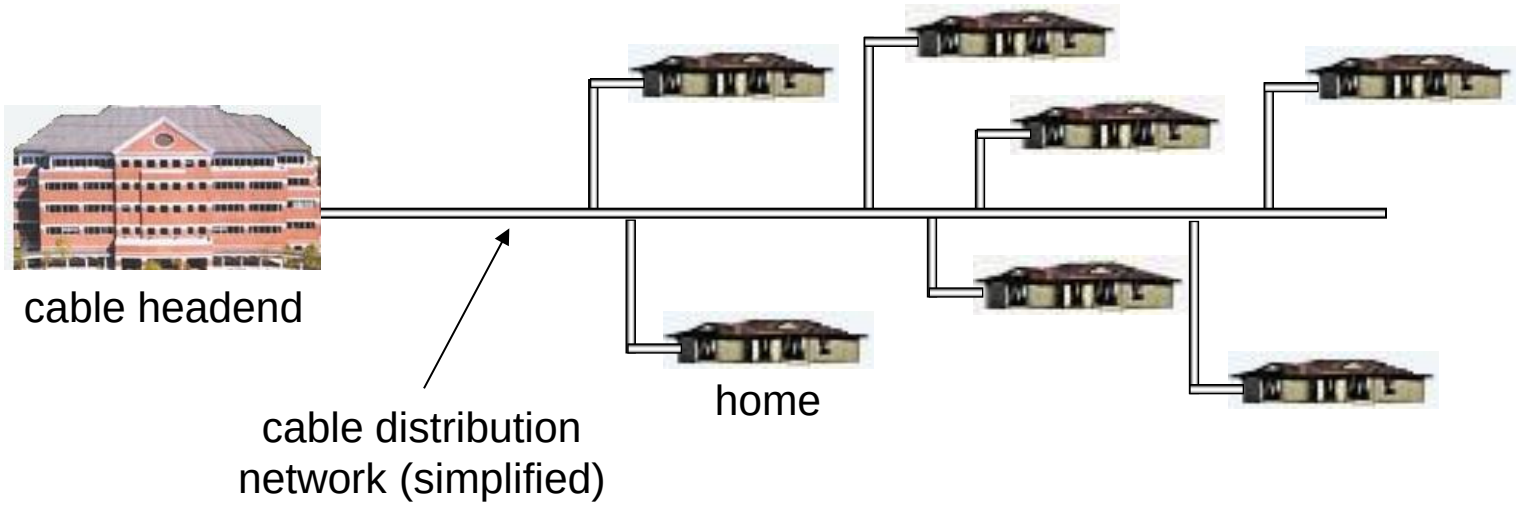


Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)

"City sized": tens of kilometers

A Cable TV Network is an example of a MAN

Typically 500 to 5,000 homes



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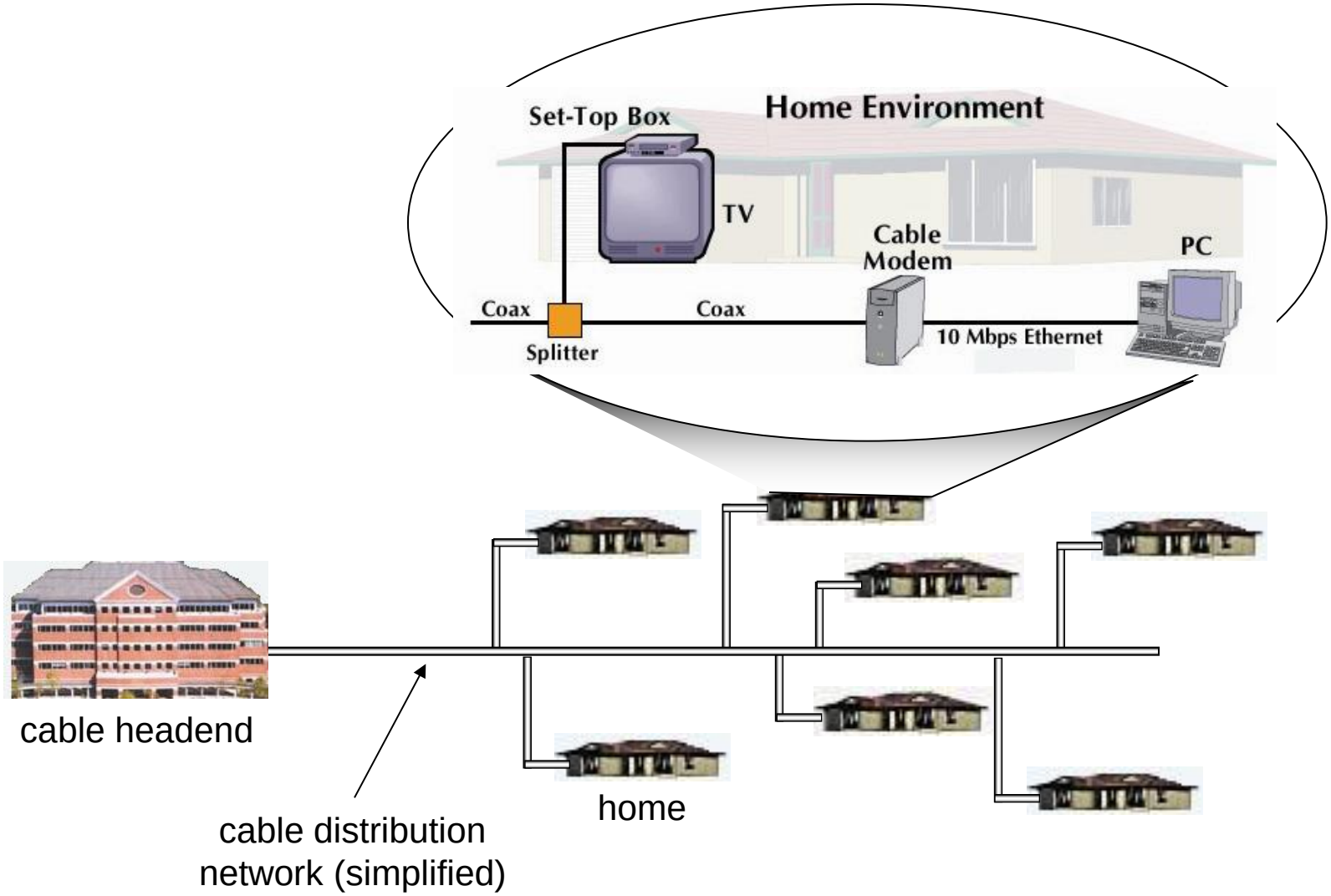

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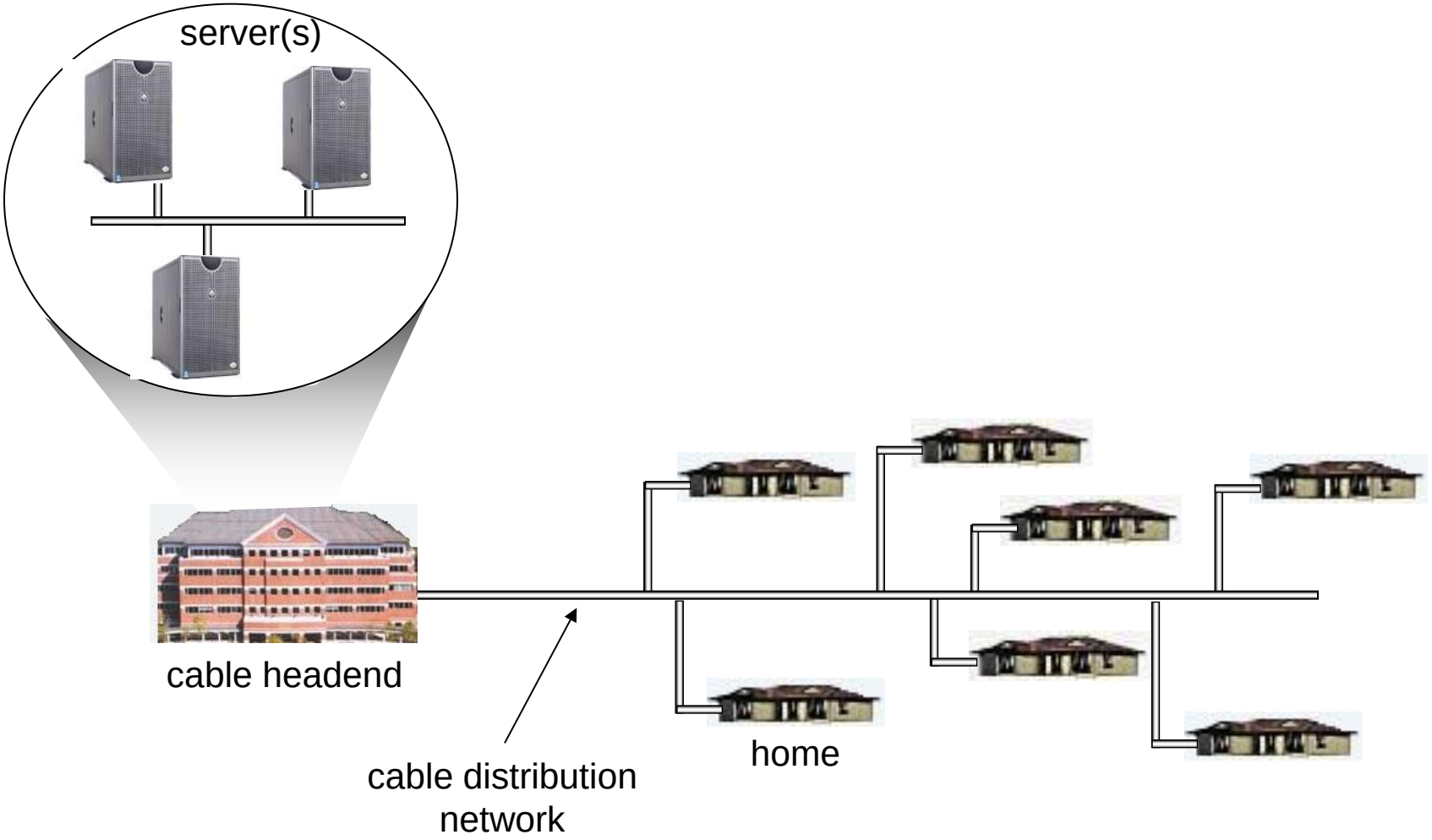
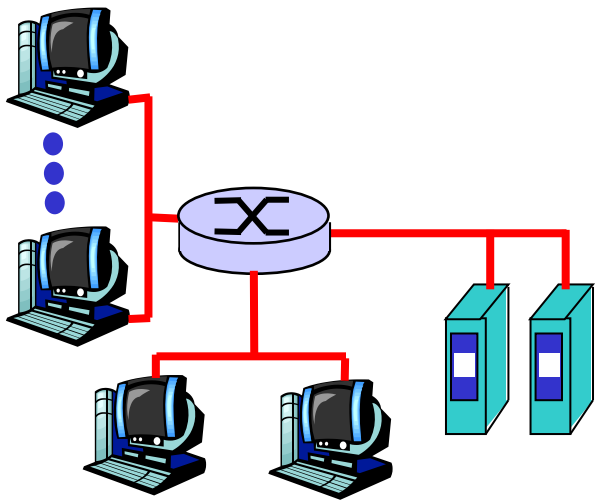


Local Area Network (LAN)

- company/univ local area network (LAN) connects end system to edge router
- Ethernet:
  - shared or dedicated link connects end system and router (a few km)
  - 10 Mbps, 100Mbps, 1Gbps, 10Gbps …
- widespread deployment: companies, univ, homeLANs
- LANs: chapter 5



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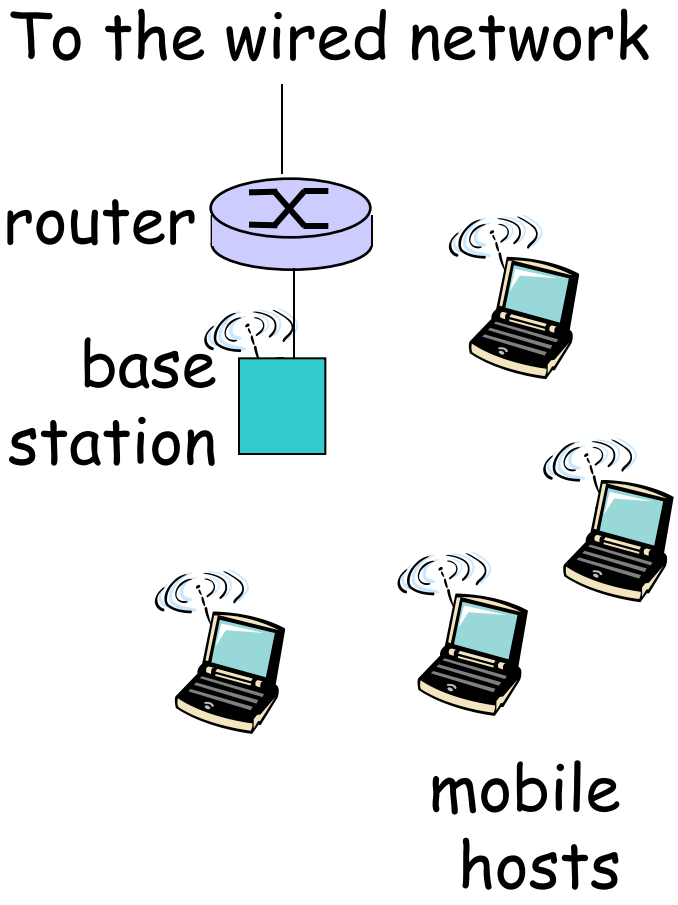

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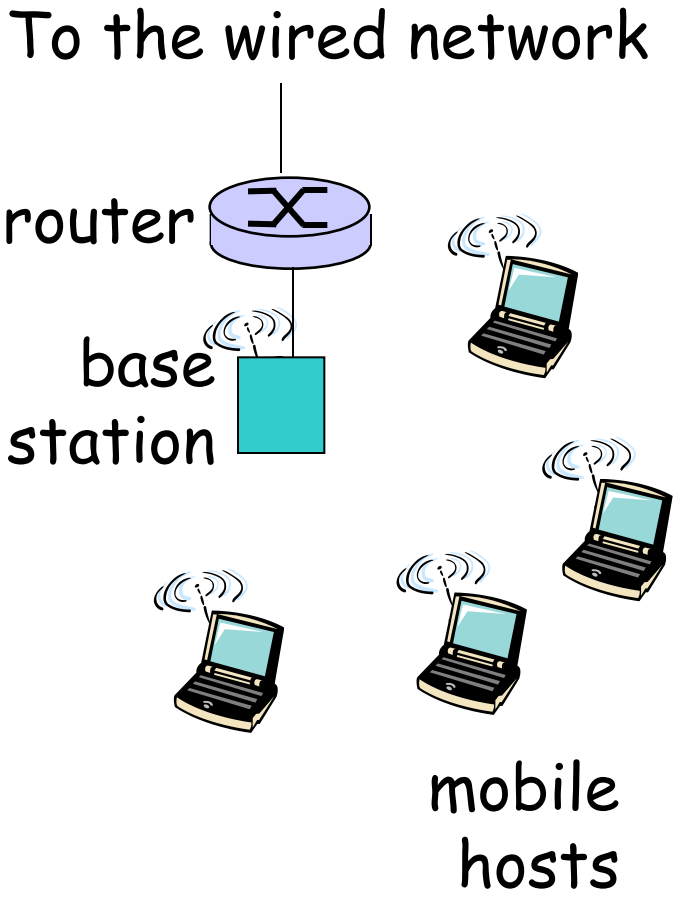
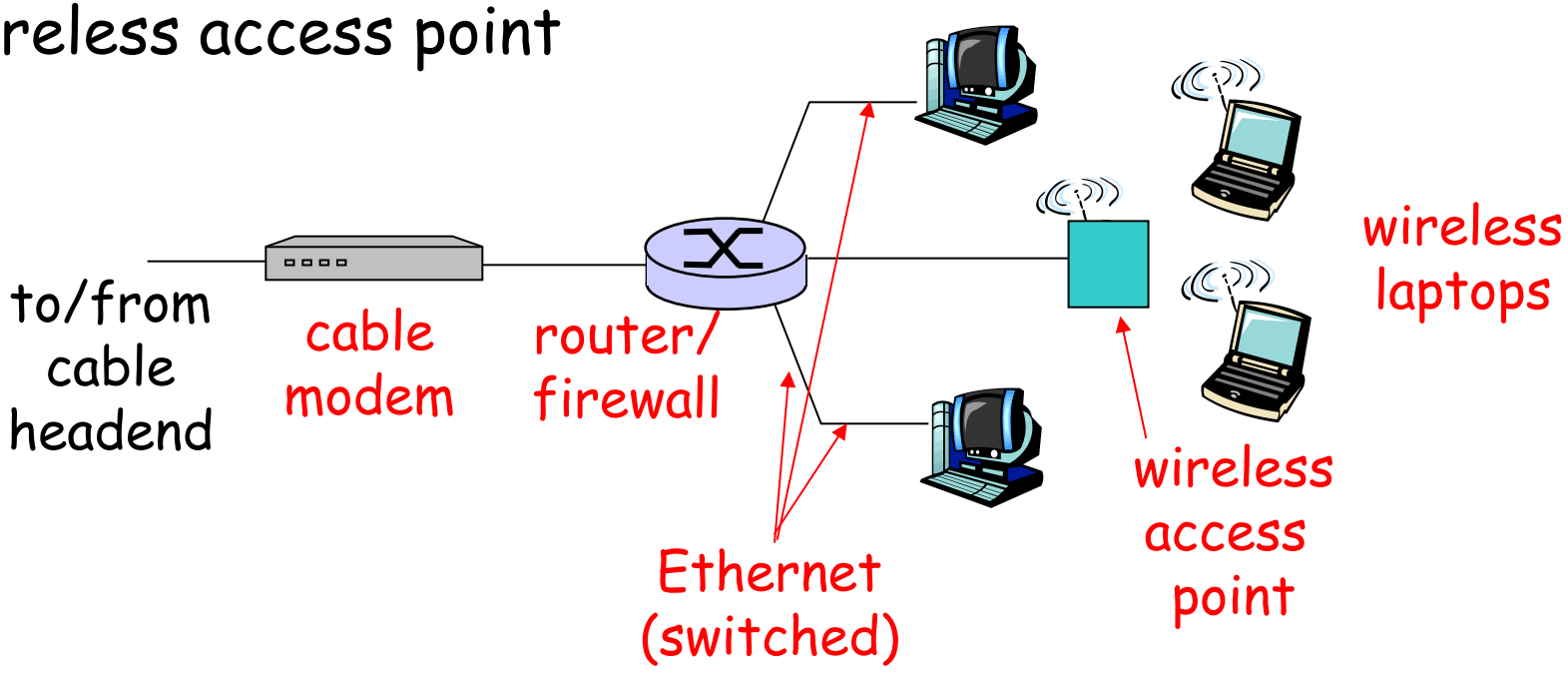
- wider-area wireless access
  - provided by telco operator
  - 3G, 4G, ...
  - WAP/GPRS in Europe
  - WiMax



Home networks

Typical home network components:

- ADSL or cable modem
- router/firewall/NAT
- Ethernet
- wireless access point



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Protocols:

- The rules used for communication
- Proper, accepted, and expected behavior

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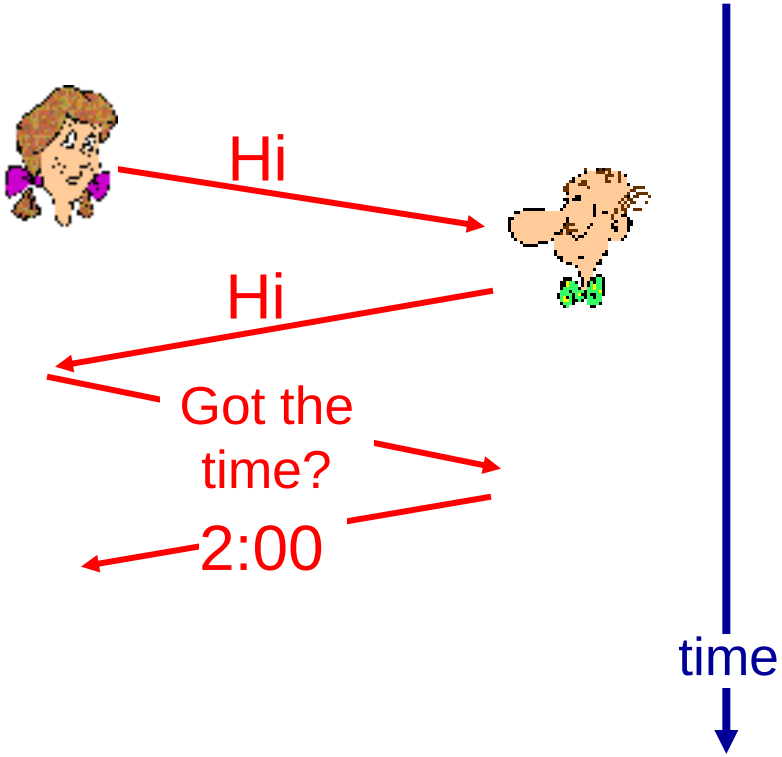

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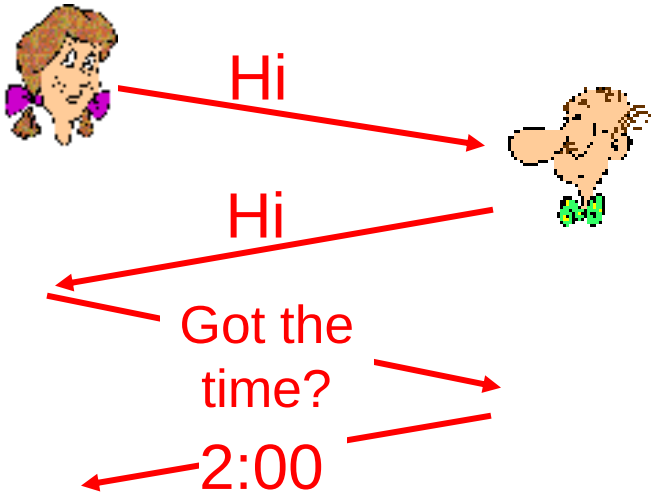
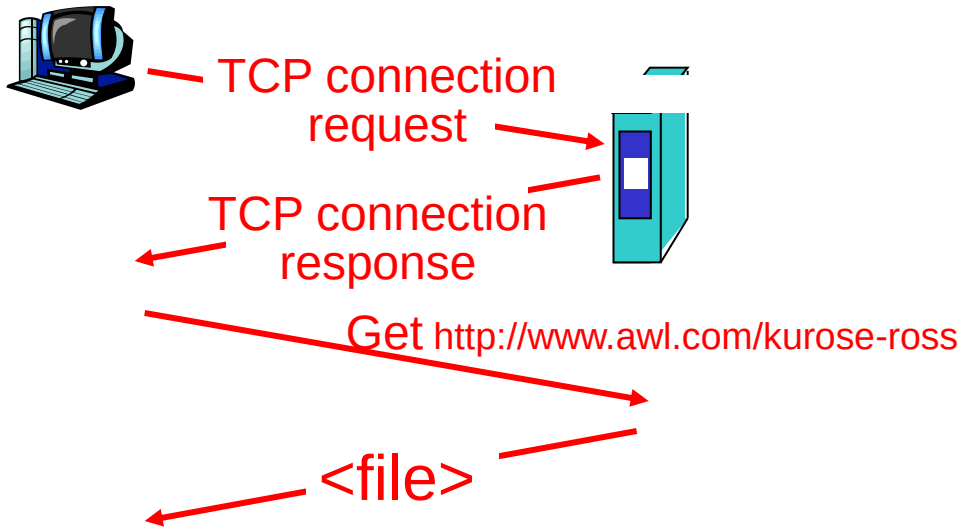


network protocols:

- Machines rather than humans
- All communication activity in Internet governed by protocols



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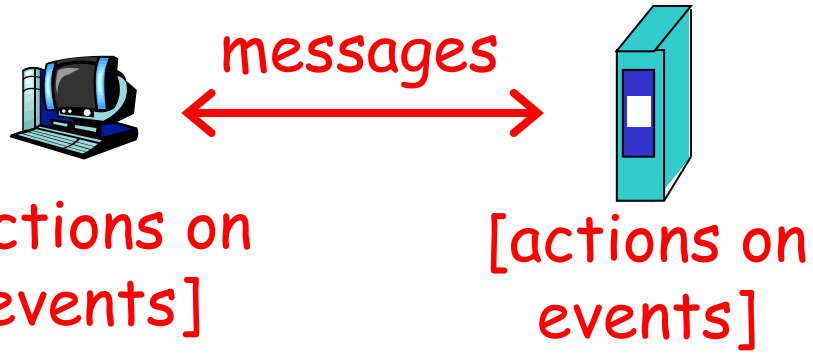

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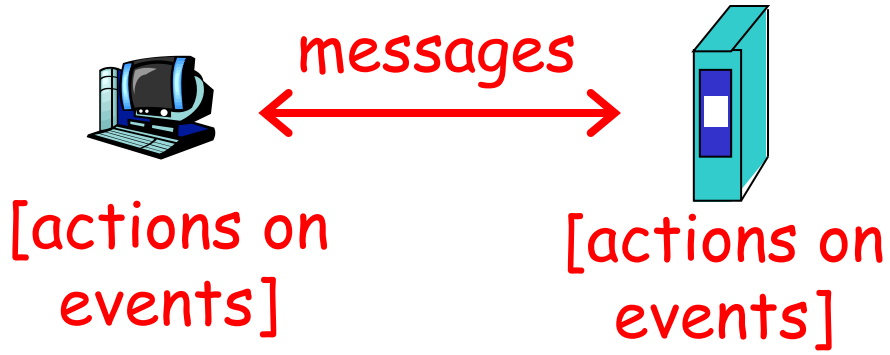

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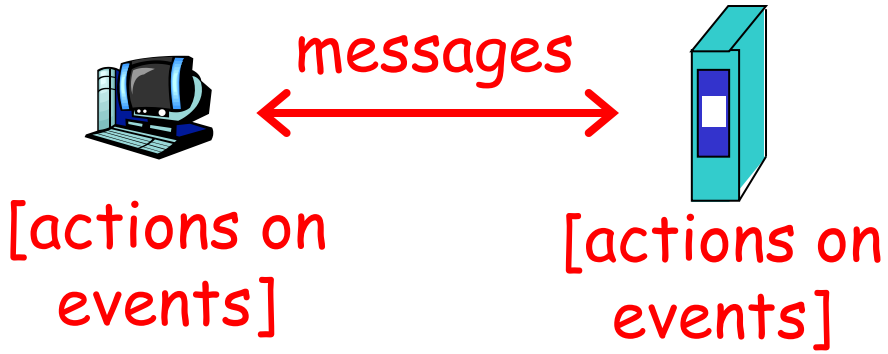

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Network protocols:

- Define the order and format of messages exchanged
- Defines the actions to take in response to events (e.g., message arrivals, transmissions, losses, and timeouts)

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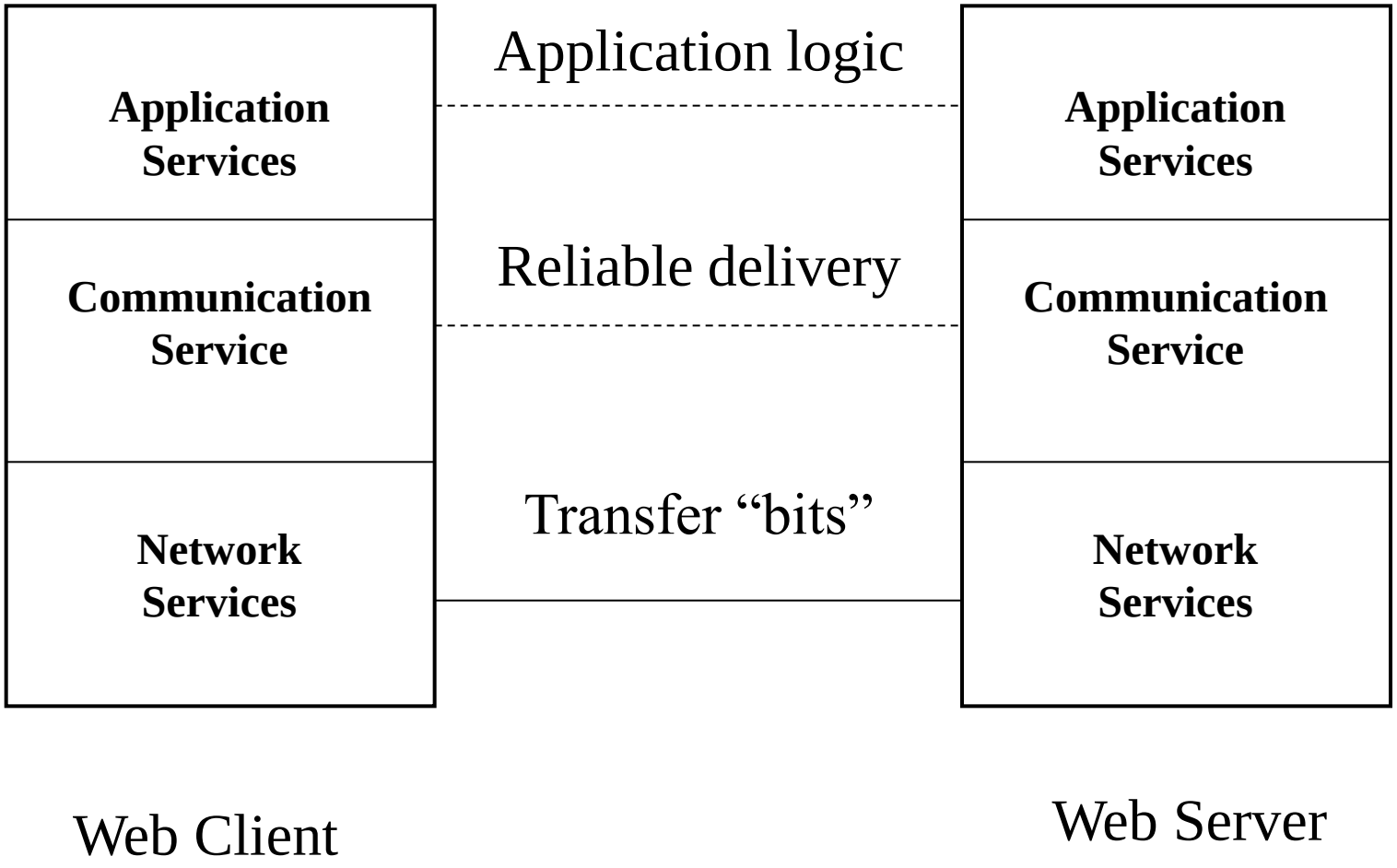

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Dealing with complex systems:

- 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 network technology doesn't affect rest of system
- layering considered harmful? (design vs implemention)

Layers, Protocols, Interfaces

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- Networks organized as a **stack of layers**
  - Offer services to the layer above it using a well-defined **interface**
    - programming language analogy: libraries hide details while providing a service)
  - Reduces design complexity
- **Protocols:** Logical "horizontal" conversations at any layer (between peers)
- **Data Transfer:** each layer passes data & control information over the interfaces (between neighboring layers)

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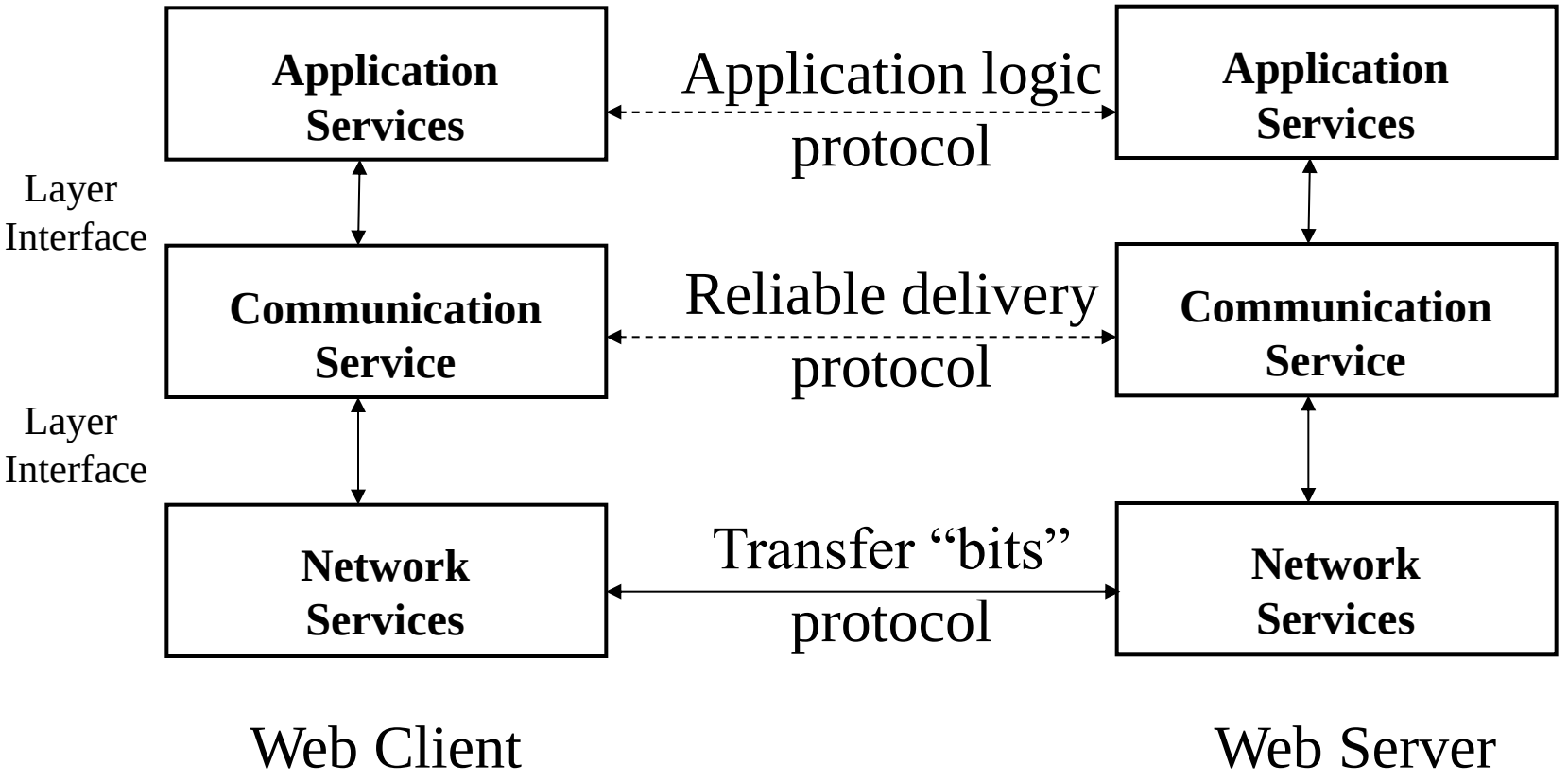


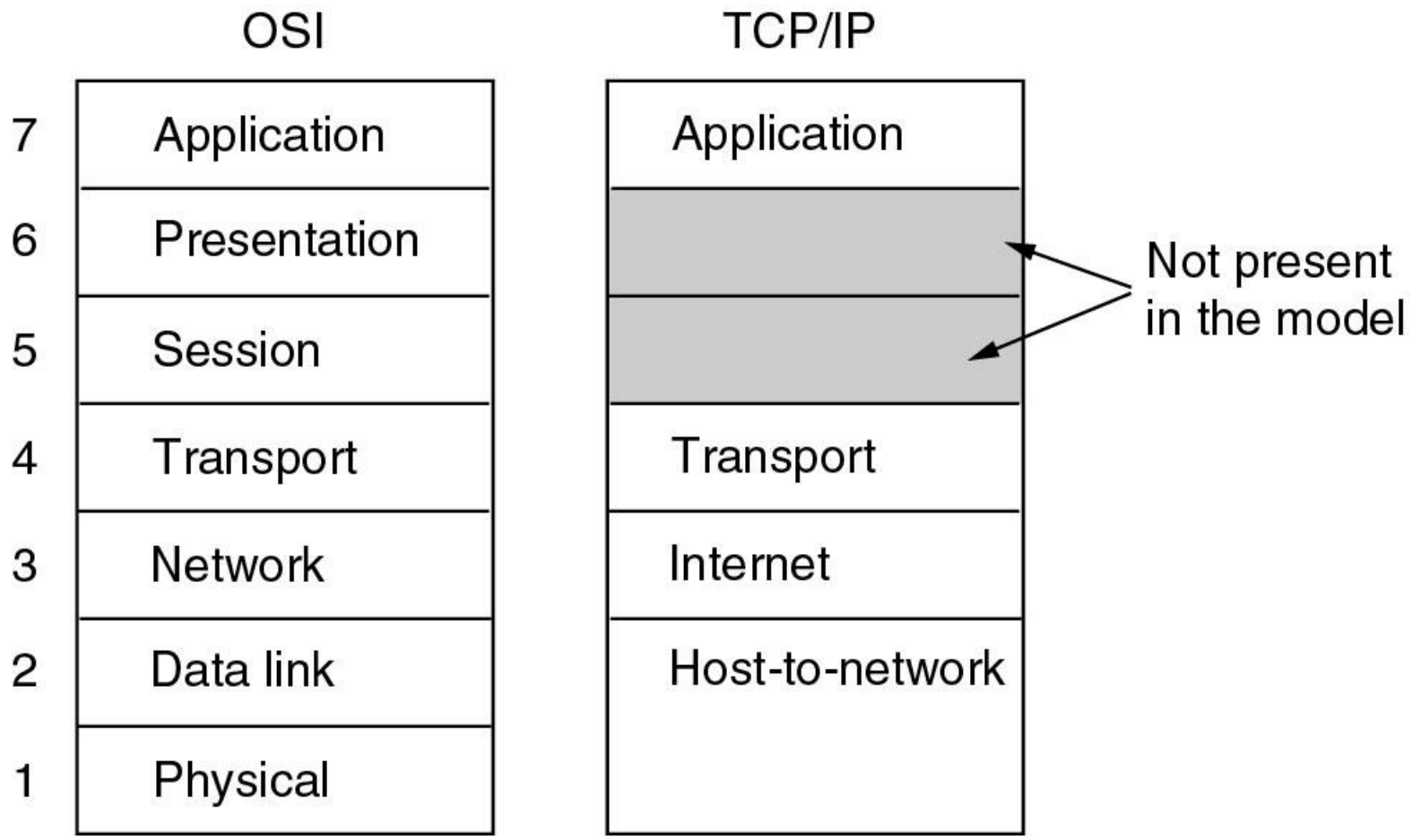
Layered Architecture (cont'd)

- A set of layers & protocols is called a Network Architecture.
- These specifications enable hardware/software developers to build systems compliant with a particular architecture.
  - E.g., TCP/IP, OSI

Layering: Design Issues

- How many layers? What do they each do?
- How to identify senders/receivers?
  - Addressing
- Unreliable physical communication medium?
  - Error detection
  - Error control
  - Message reordering
- Sender can swamp the receiver?
  - Flow control
- Multiplexing/Demultiplexing

Reference Models



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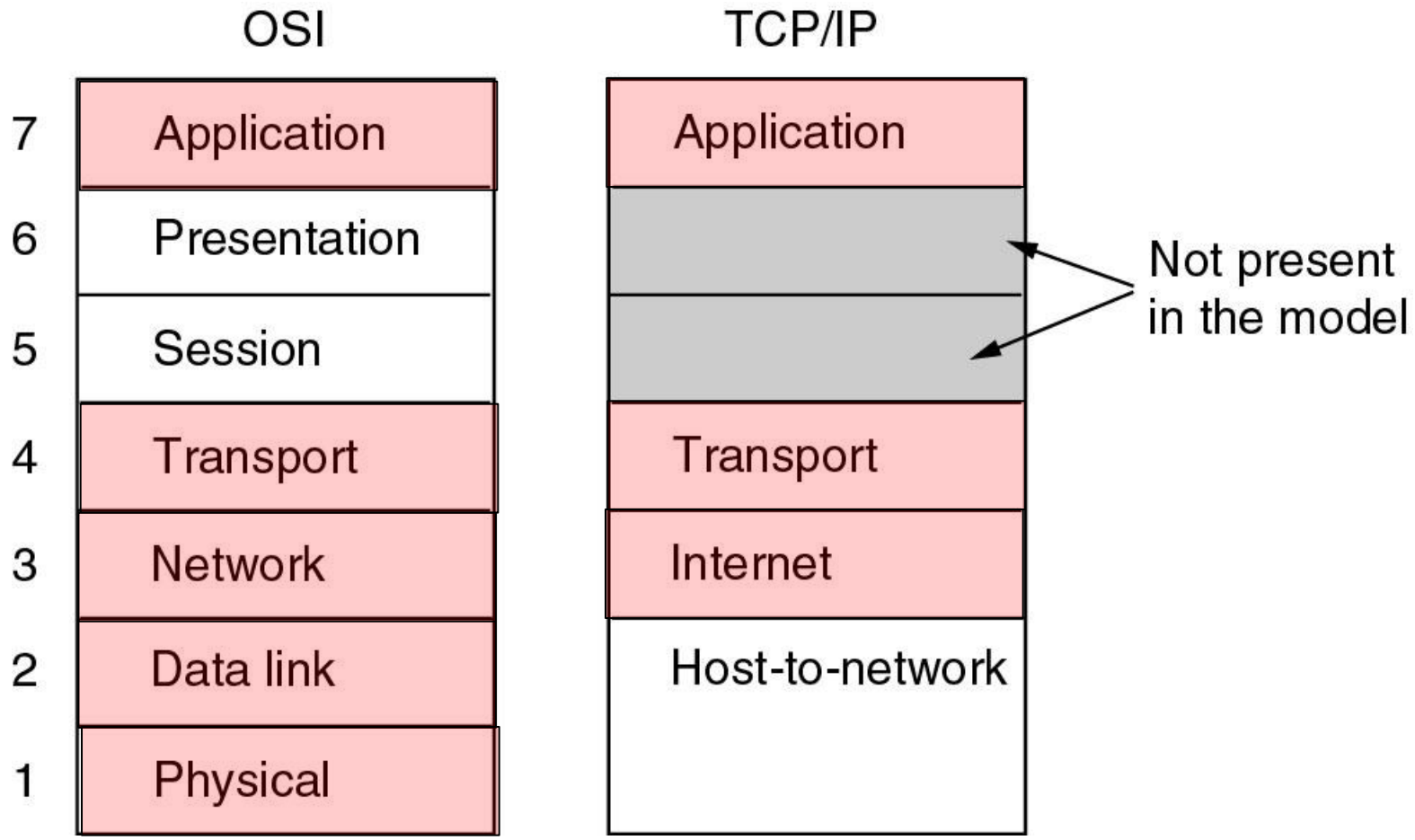

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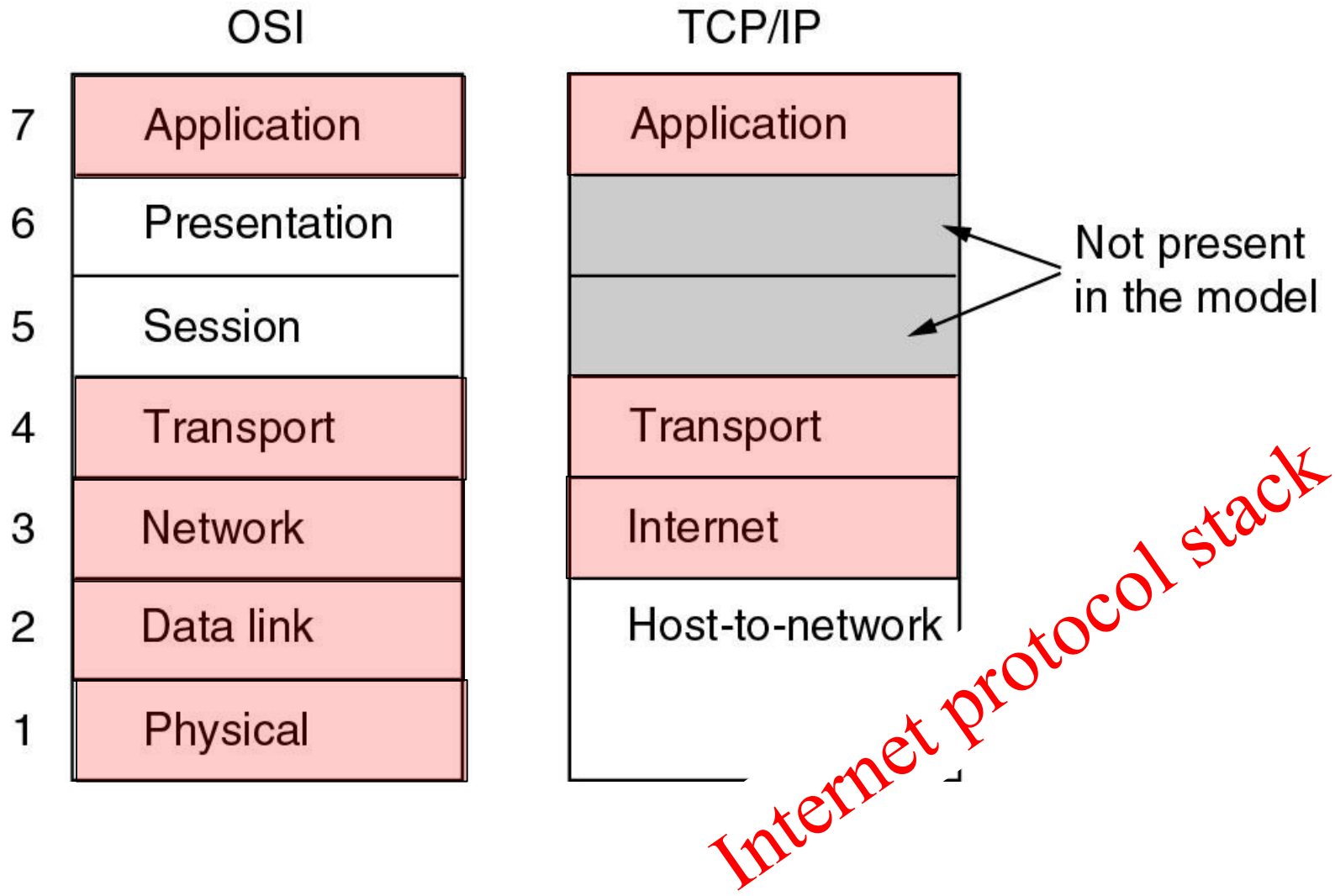

Internet protocol stack

- application: supporting network applications
  - FTP, SMTP, STTP
- transport: host-host data transfer
  - TCP, UDP
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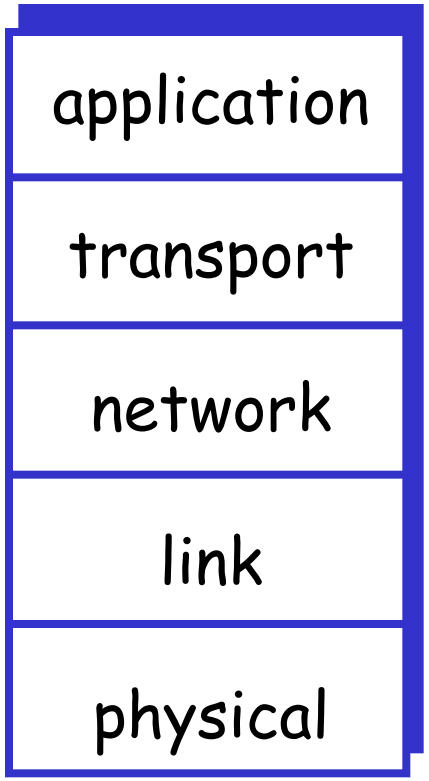
  - IP, routing protocols
- link: data transfer between neighboring network elements
  - PPP, Ethernet
- physical: bits "on the wire"



The Application Layer

- Residence of network applications and their application control logic
- Examples include:
  - HTTP (Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol)
  - FTP (File Transfer Protocol)
  - Telnet
  - SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol)
  - DNS (Domain Name Service)

The Transport Layer

- Concerned with end-to-end data transfer between end systems (hosts)
- Transmission unit is called segment
- TCP/IP networks such as the Internet provides two types of services to applications
  - "connection-oriented" service – Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)
  - "connectionless" service - User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

The Network Layer

- End systems inject datagrams in the networks
- A transmission path is determined for each packet (routing)
- A "best effort" service
  - Datagrams might be lost
  - Datagrams might arrive out of order
- Analogy: Postal system

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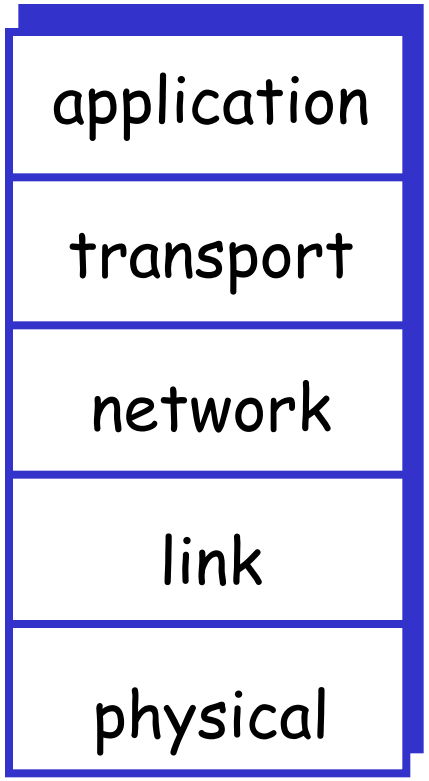

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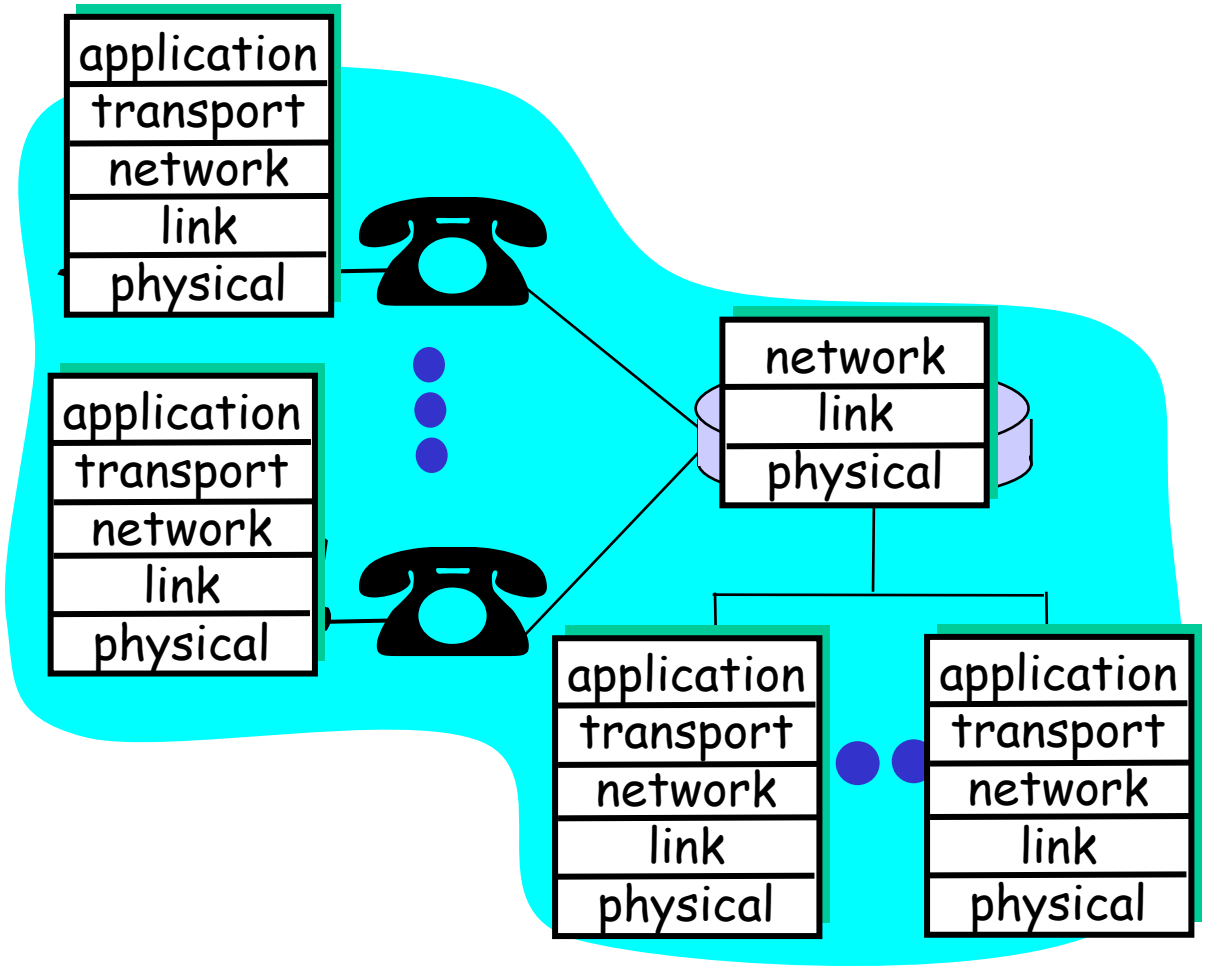

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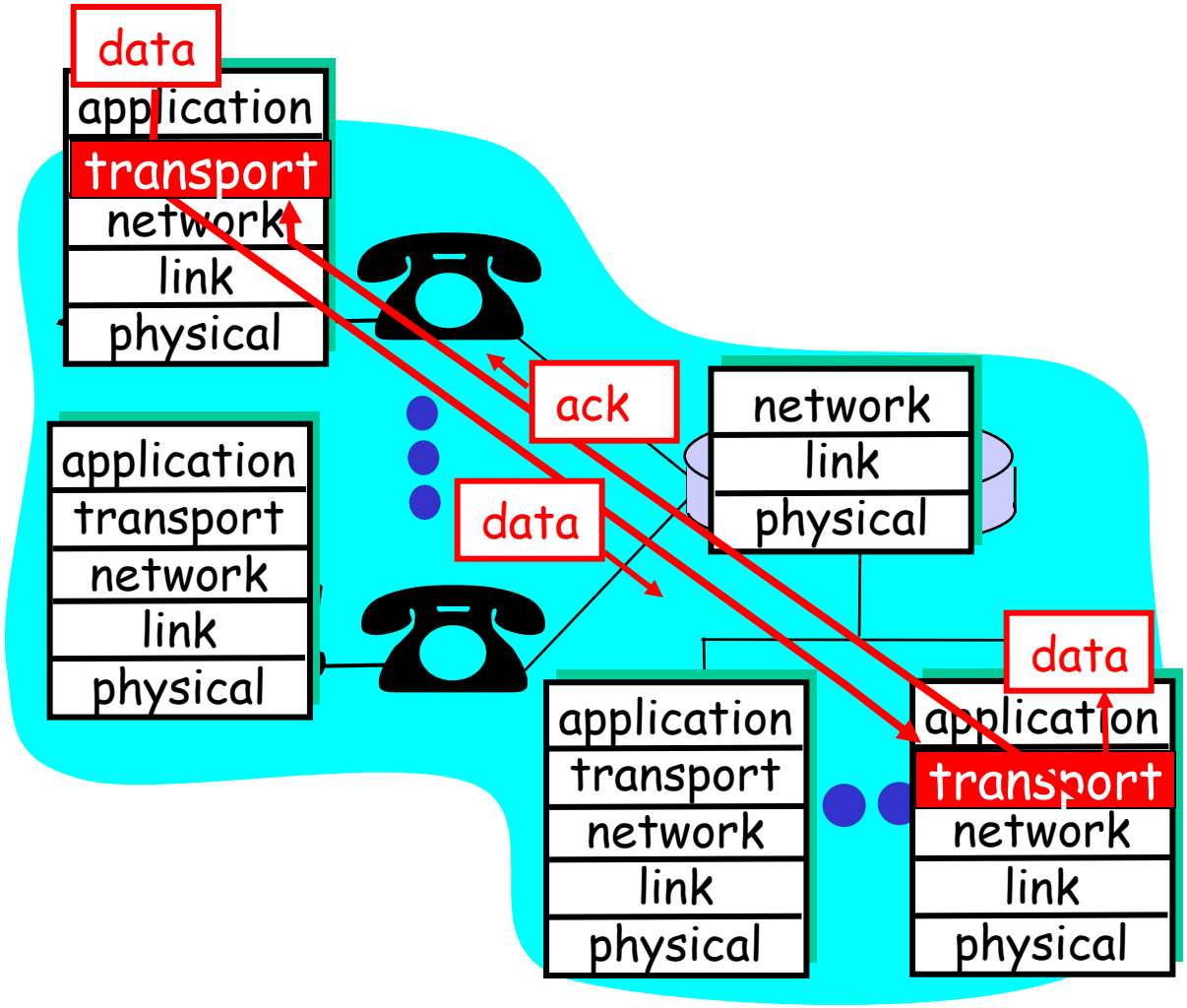

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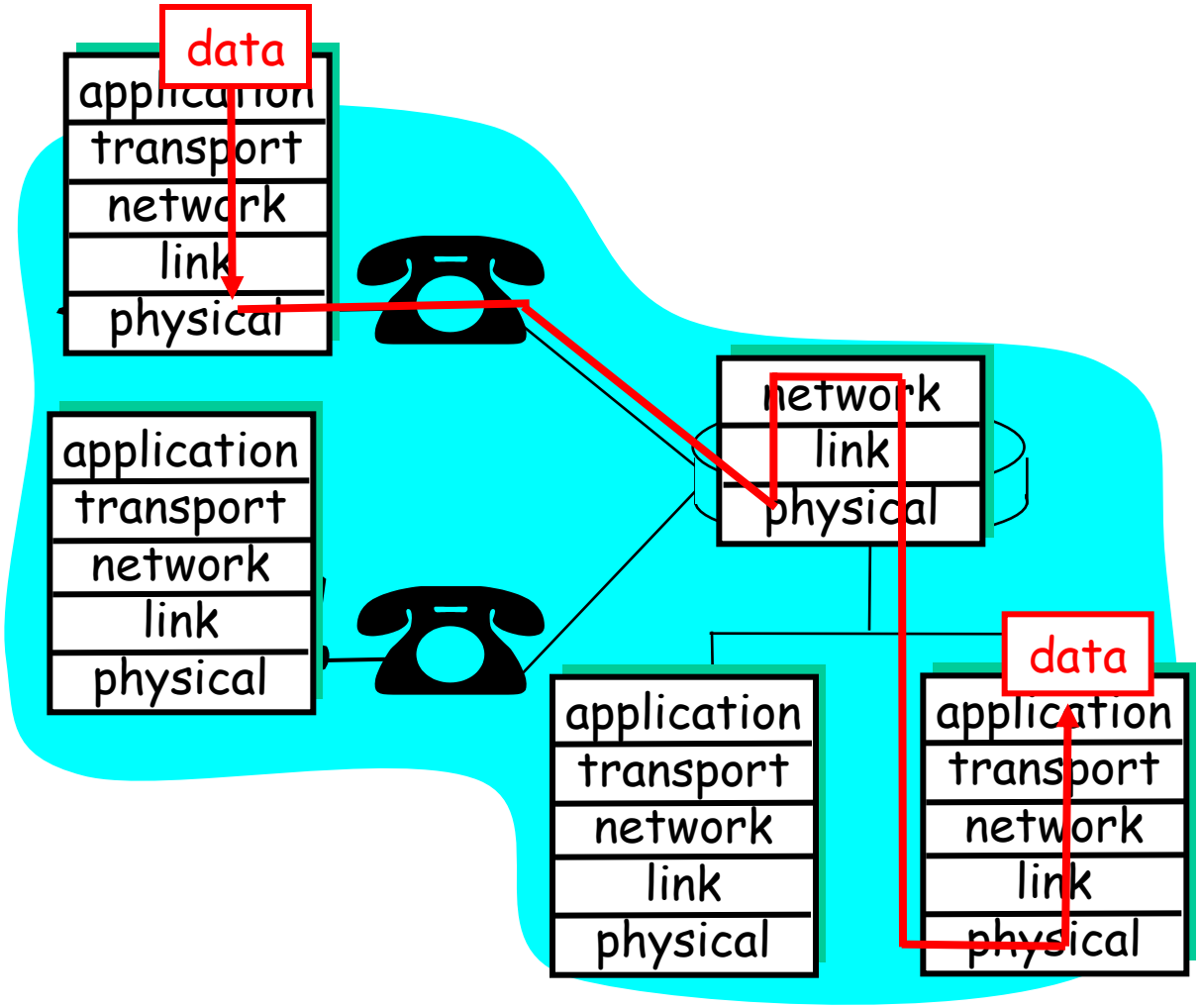

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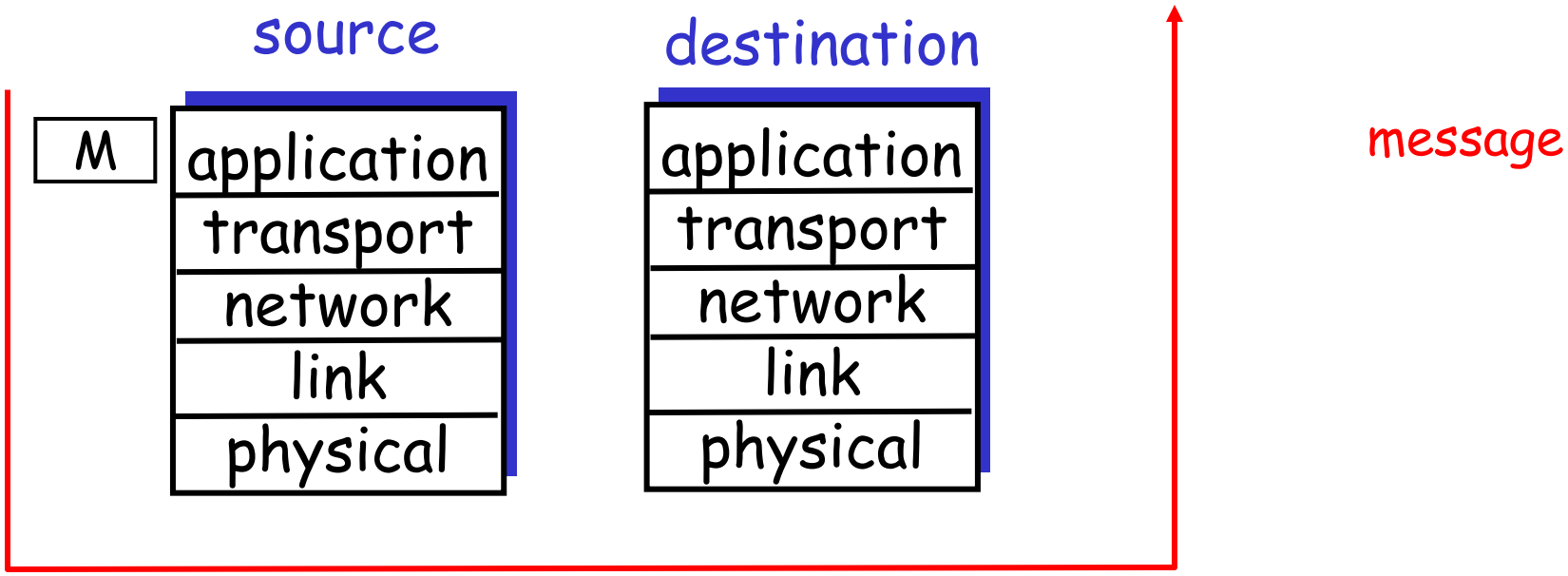

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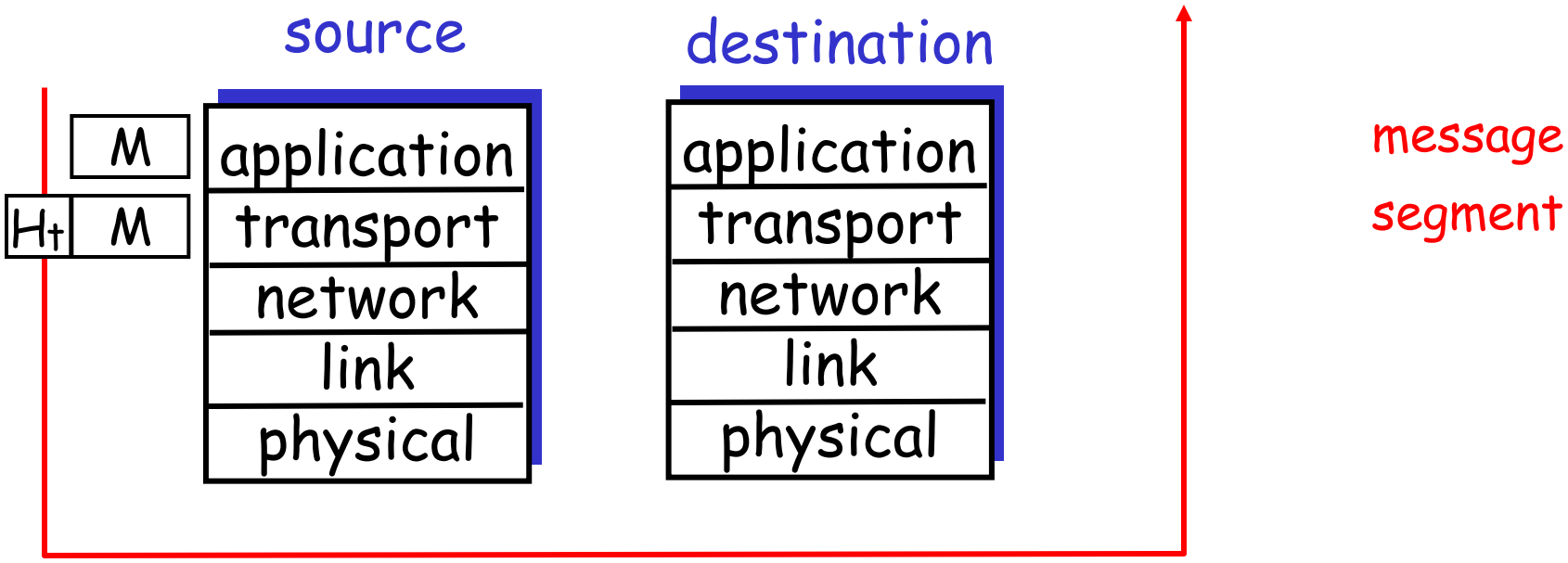

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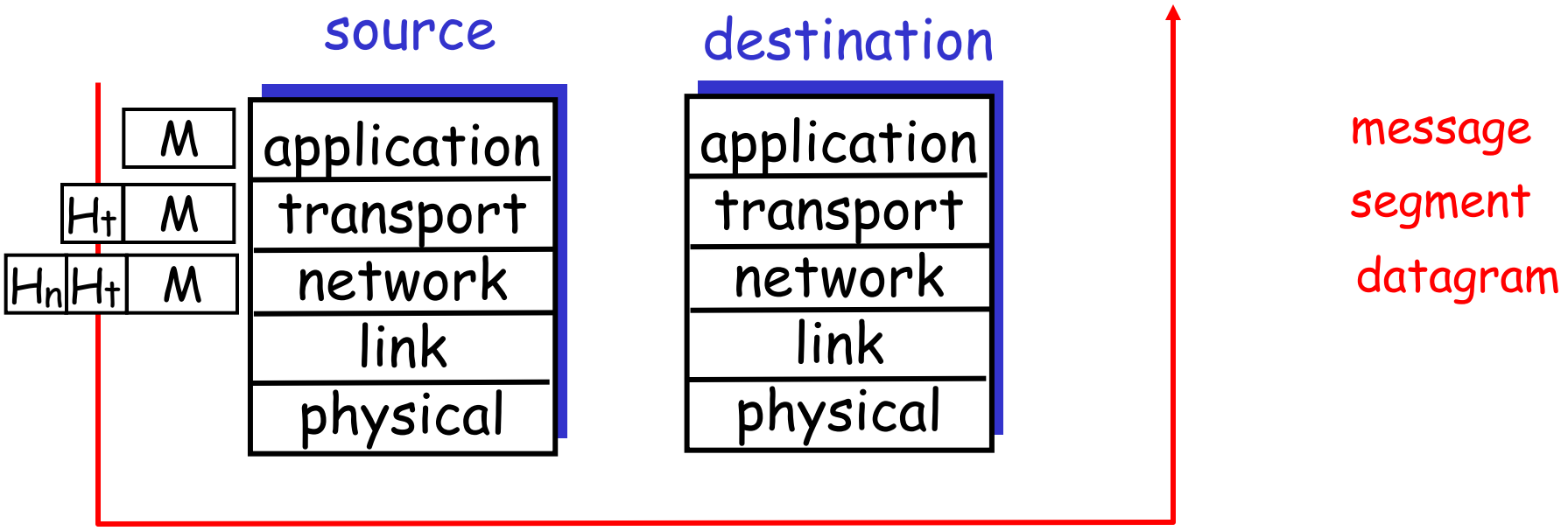

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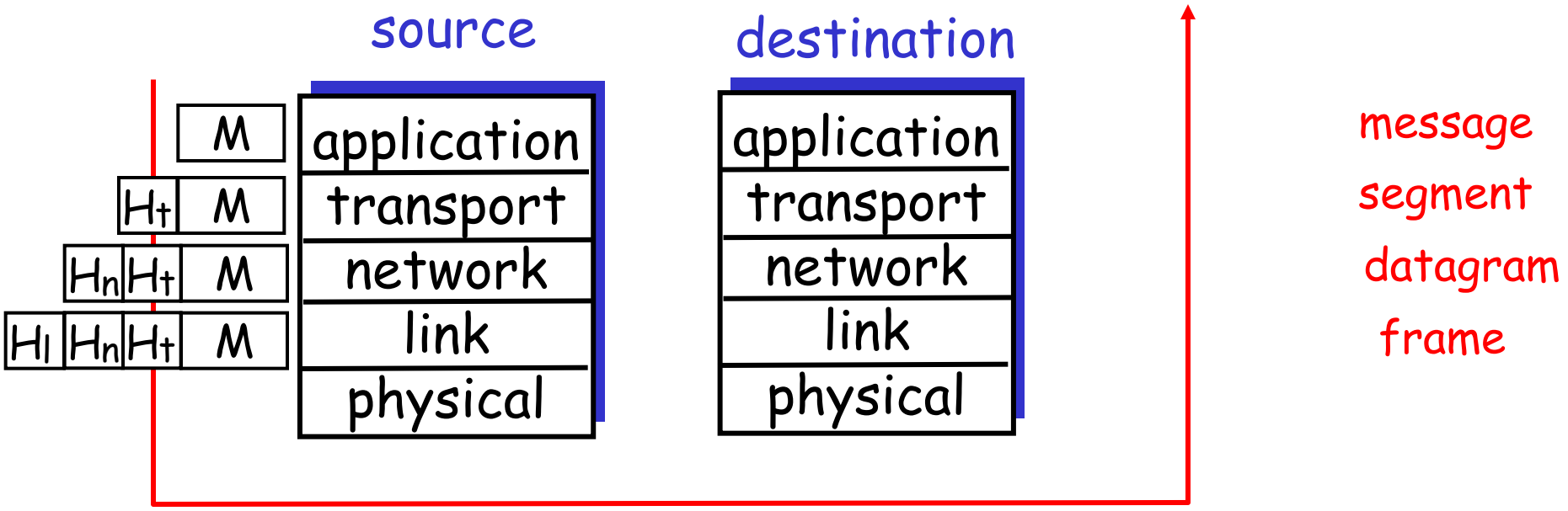

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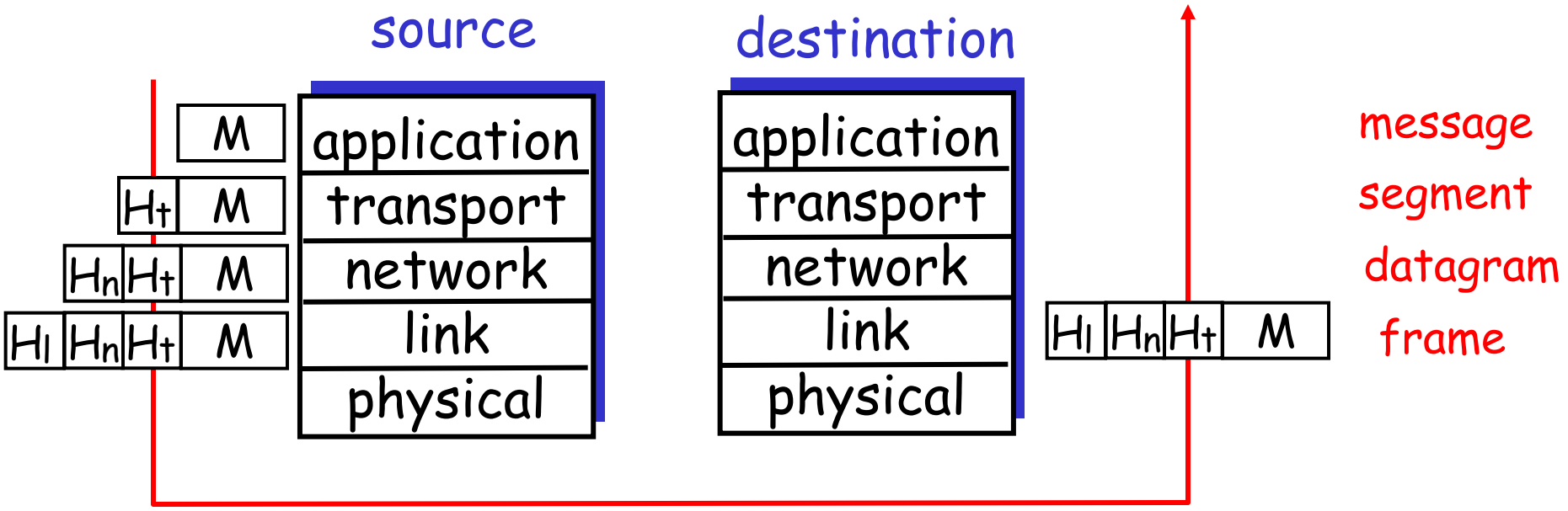

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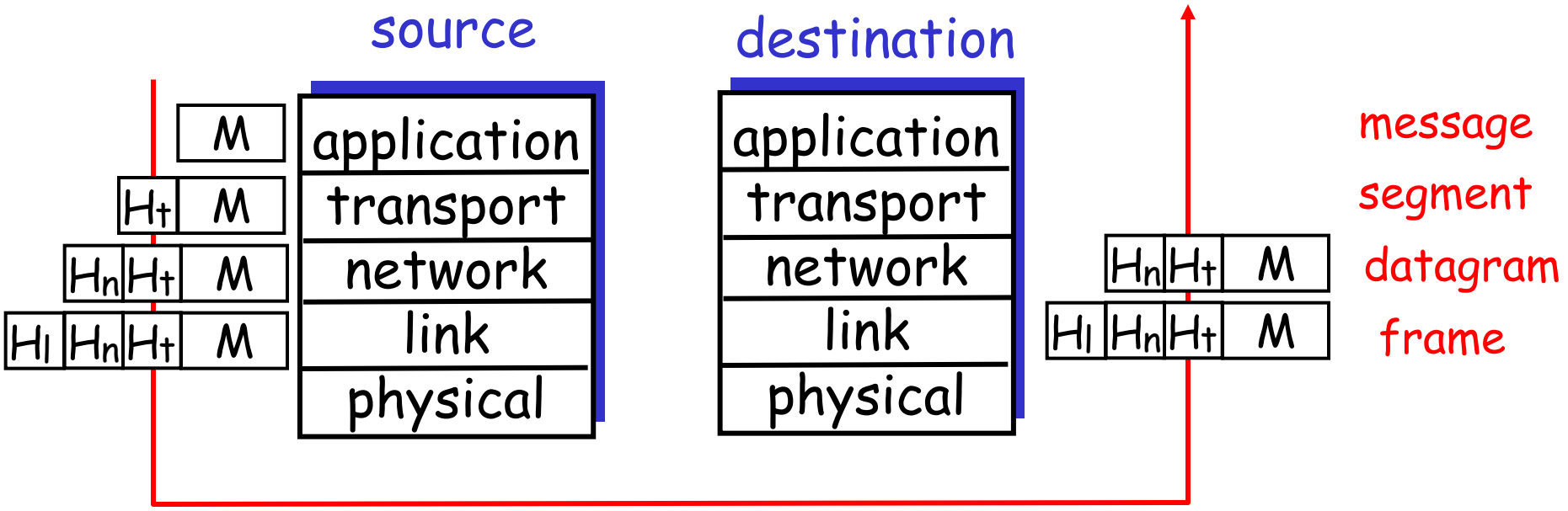

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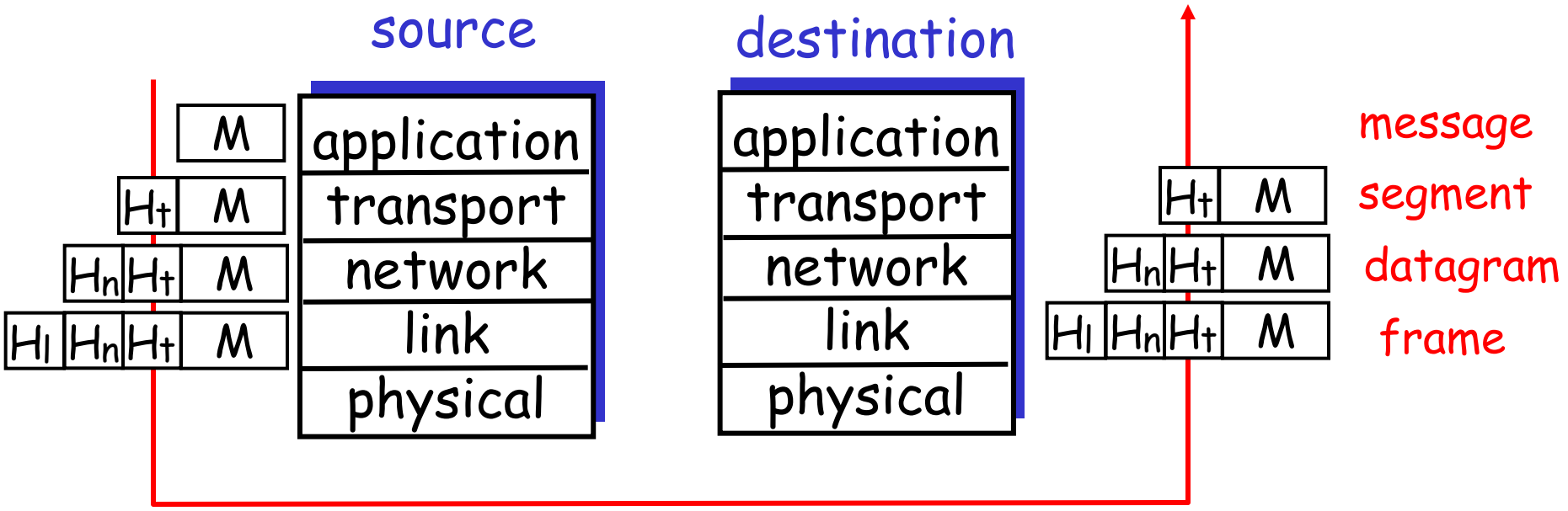

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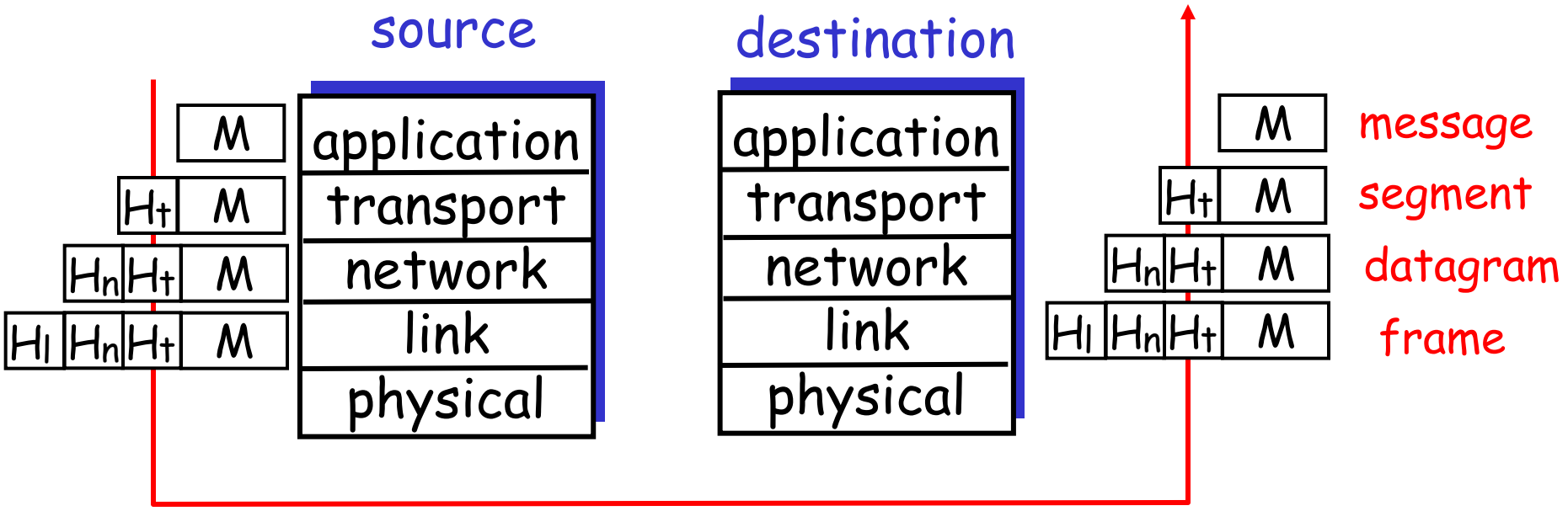

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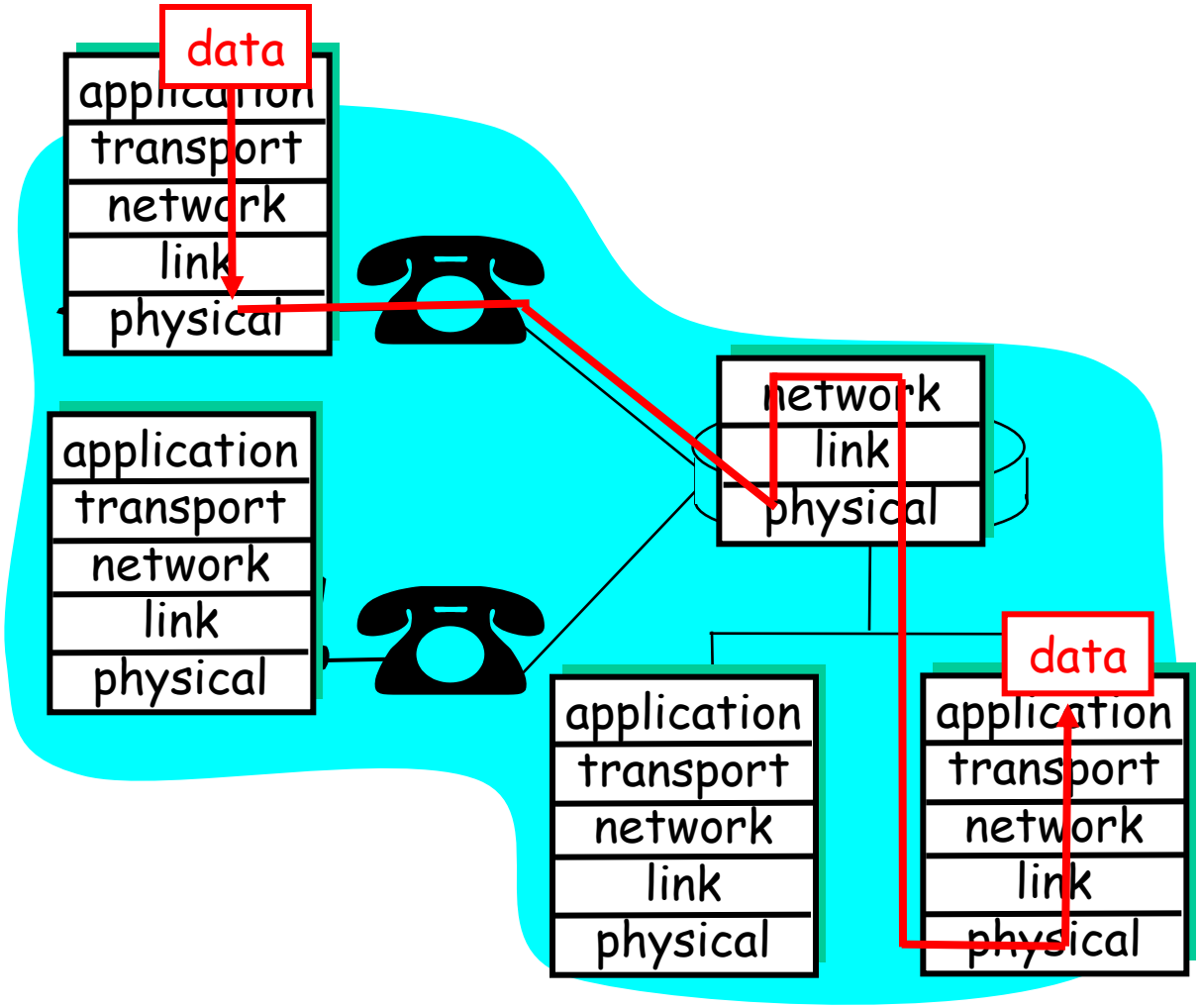

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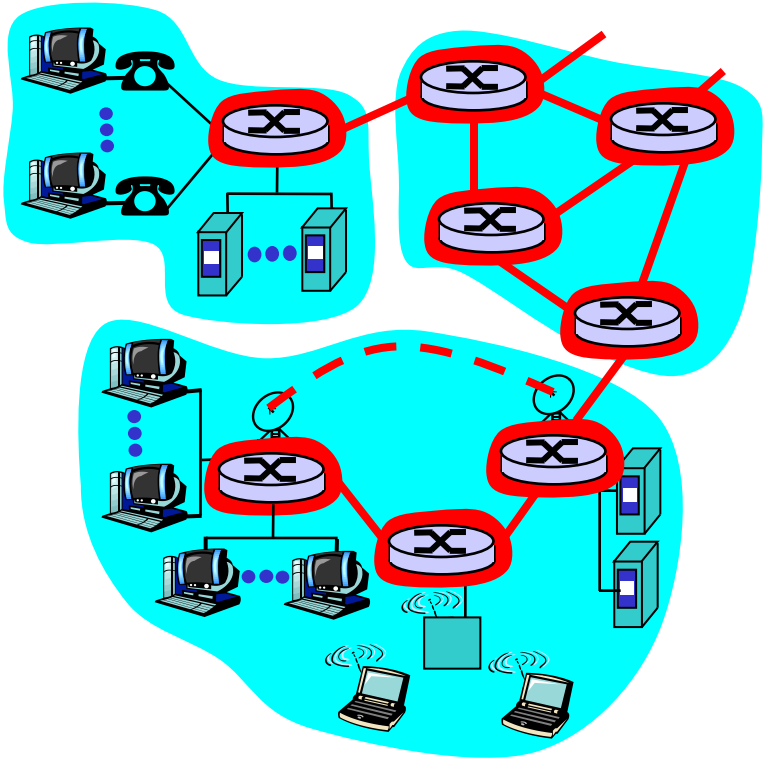

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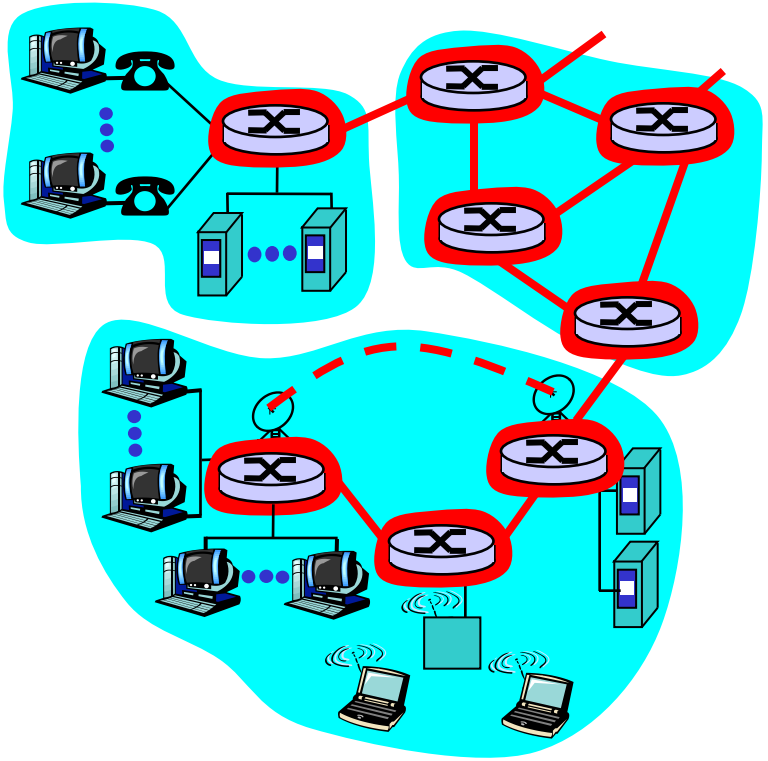

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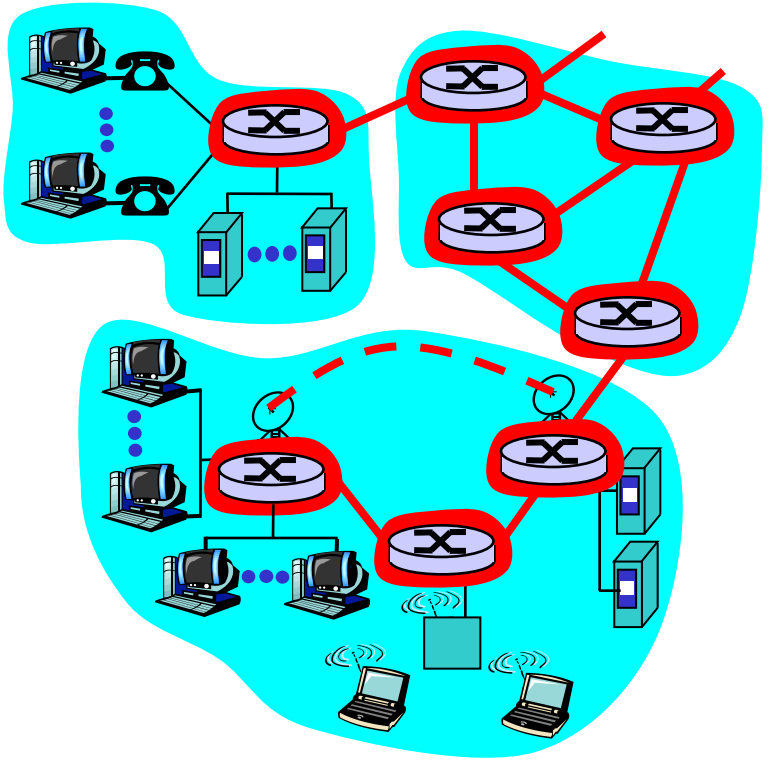

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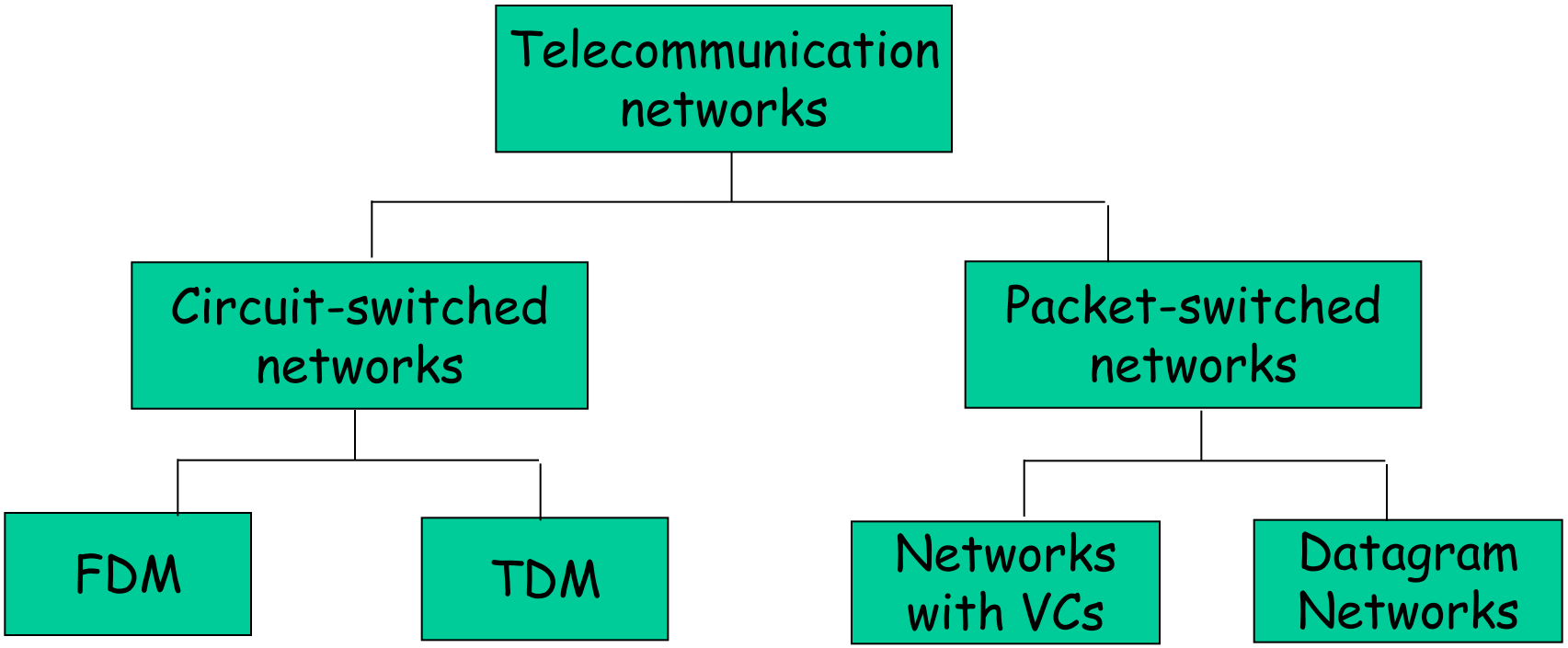

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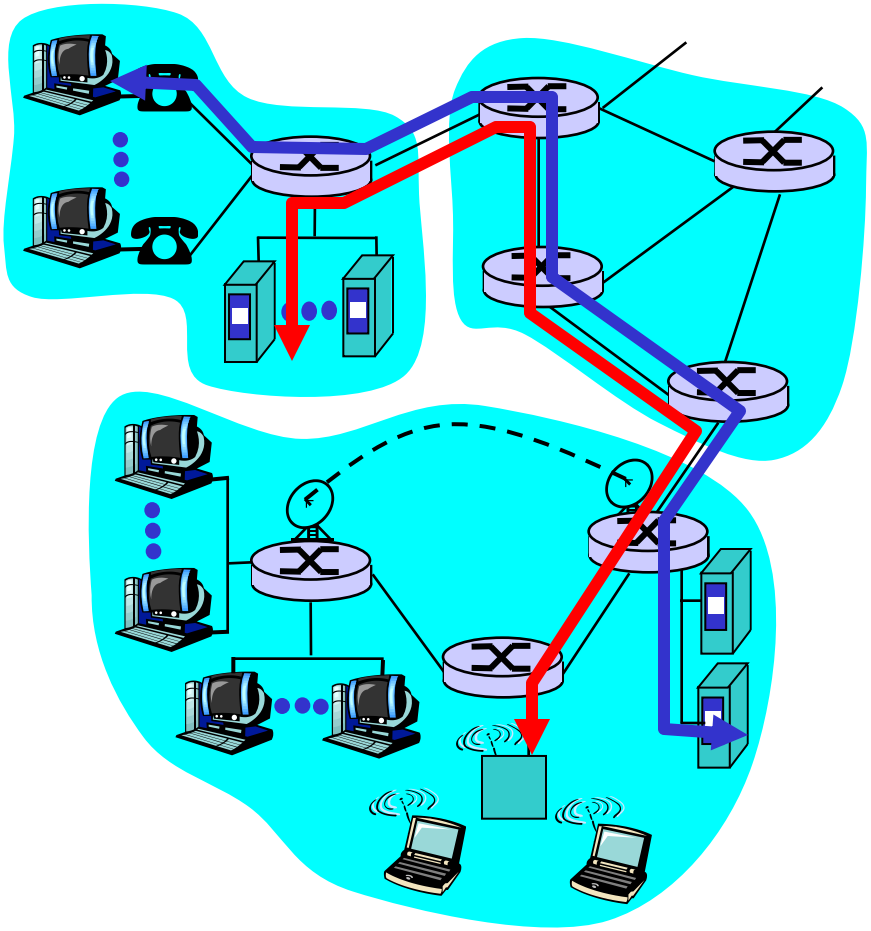
- Call setup required
- "Blocking" may occur



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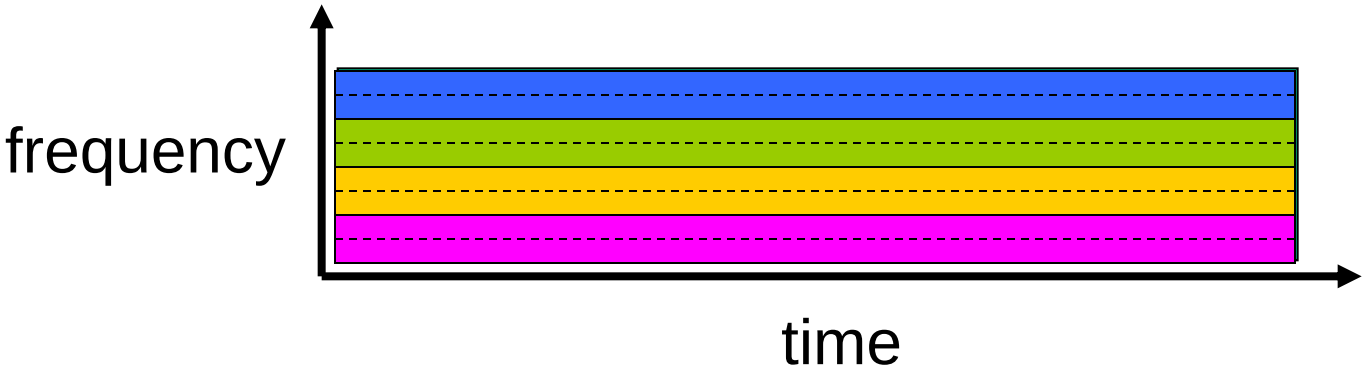
- Capacity of medium exceeds the capacity required for transmission of a single signal
  - How can we improve "efficiency"? Let's multiplex.
- Divide link bandwidth into "pieces":
  - frequency division - FDMA
  - time division – TDMA
  - code division - CDMA (cellular networks)
  - wavelength division - WDM (optical)

Circuit-Switching: FDMA and TDMA

Example:

4 users

FDMA



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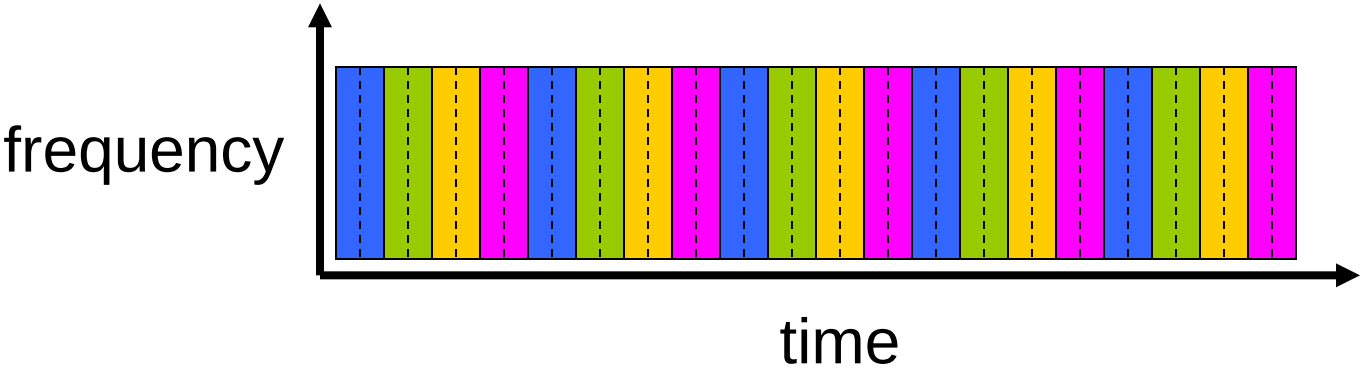

Alt. 2: Packet-Switching

- source breaks long messages into smaller "packets"
- "store-and-forward" transmission
  - packets *share* network resources
  - each packet briefly uses full link bandwidth
- resource contention
  - aggregate resource demand can exceed amount available
  - congestion: packets queue, wait for link use
  - analogy: rush hour traffic in cities

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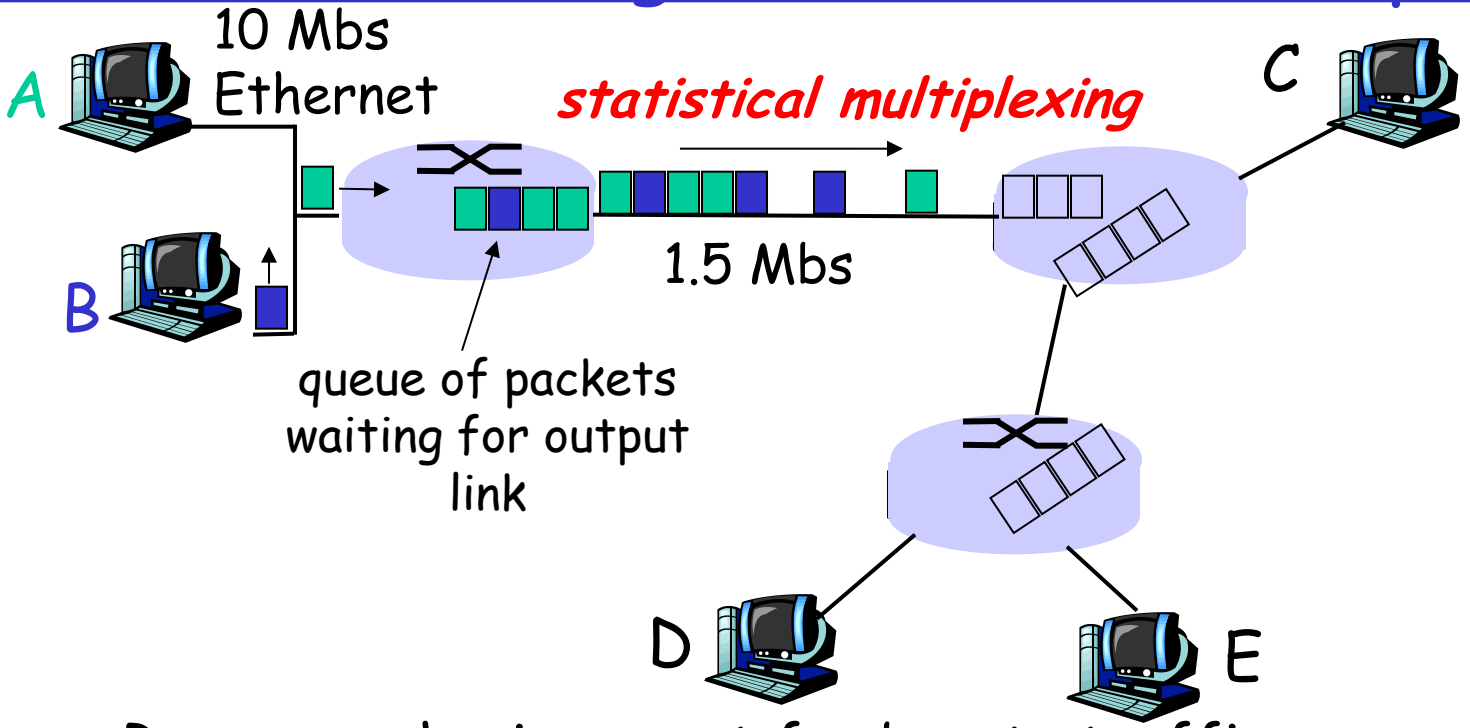

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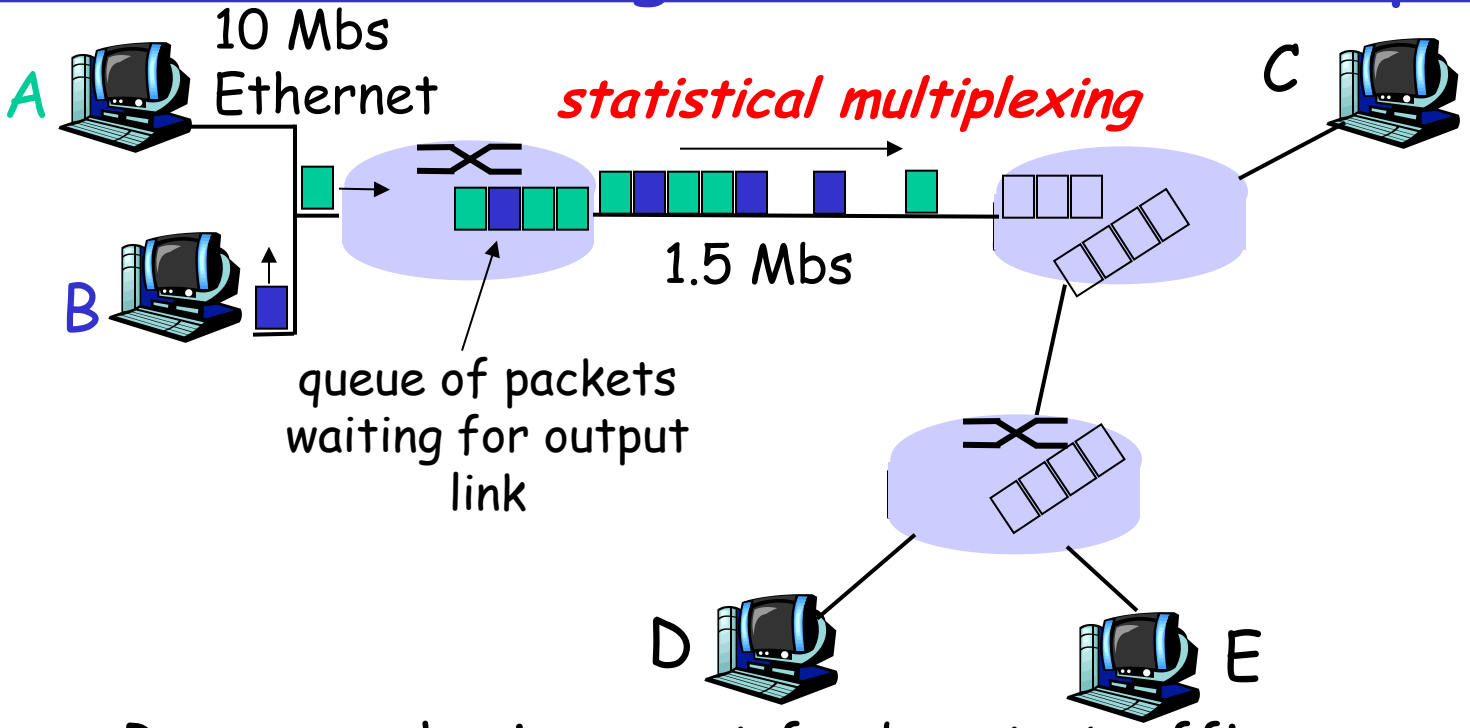

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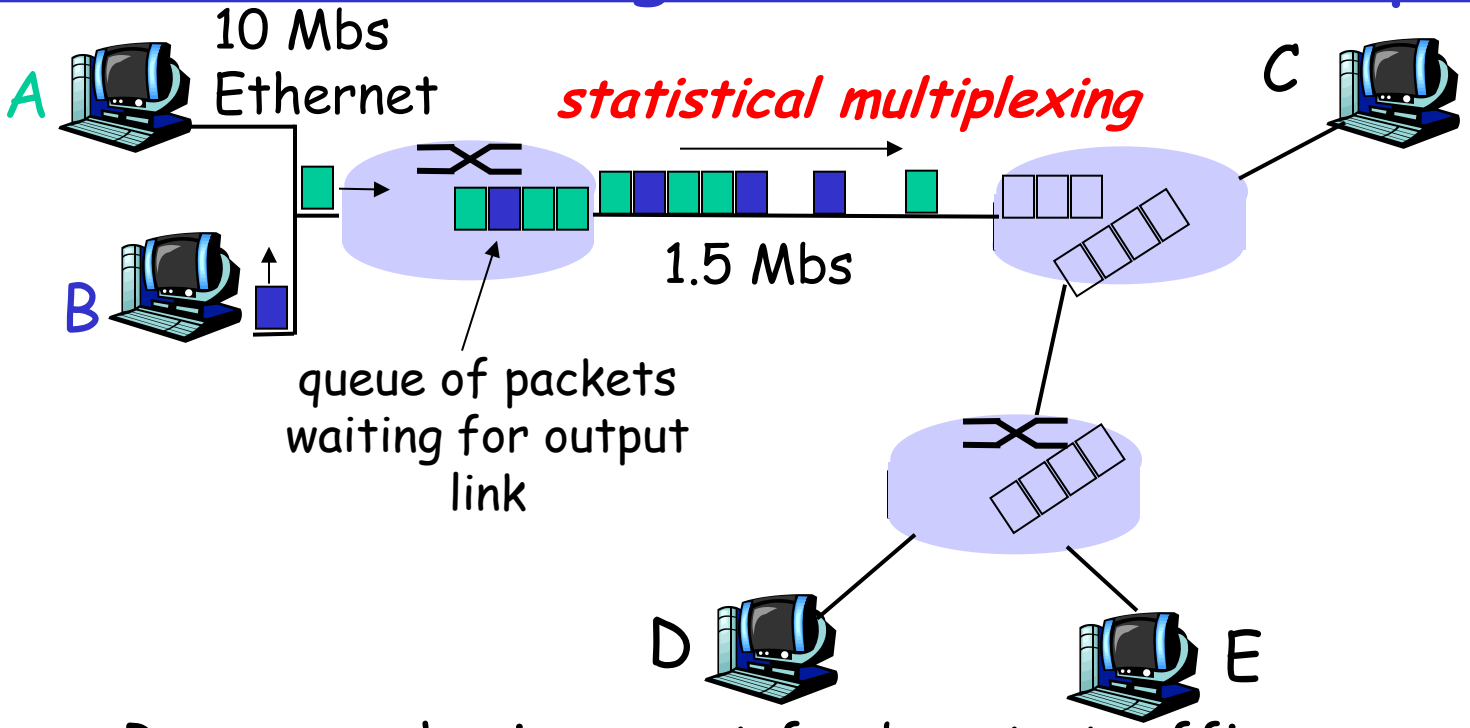

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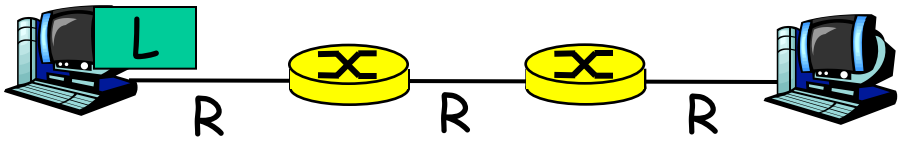
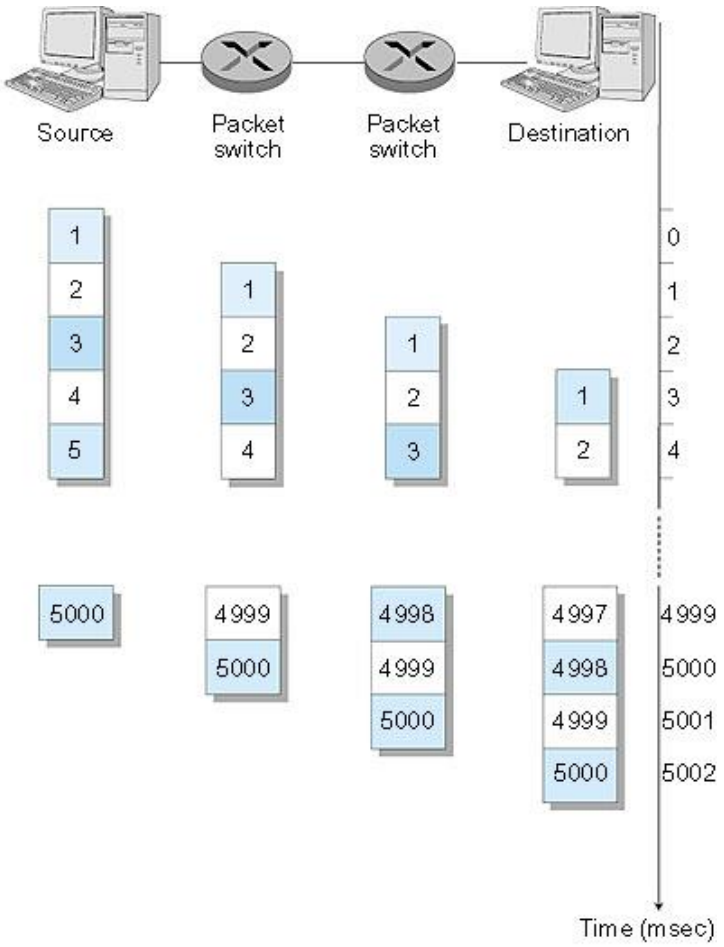


- Takes L/R seconds to transmit (push out) packet of L bits on to link or R bps
- Entire packet must arrive at router before it can be transmitted on next link: *store and forward*
- delay = 3L/R

Example:

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

Packet-Switching: Message Segmenting



Now break up the message into 5000 packets

- Each packet 1,500 bits
- 1 msec to transmit packet on one link
- *pipelining:* each link works in parallel
- Delay reduced from 15 sec to 5.002 sec

Packet-switched networks: forwarding

- datagram network:
  - *destination address* in packet determines next hop
  - routes may change during session (flexible?)
  - no "per flow" state, hence more scalable
- virtual circuit network:
  - each packet carries tag (virtual circuit ID), tag determines next hop
  - fixed path determined at *call setup time*
  - path is **not** a dedicated path as in circuit switched (i.e., store & forward of packets)
  - *routers maintain per-call state*
- datagram networks need per packet routing.

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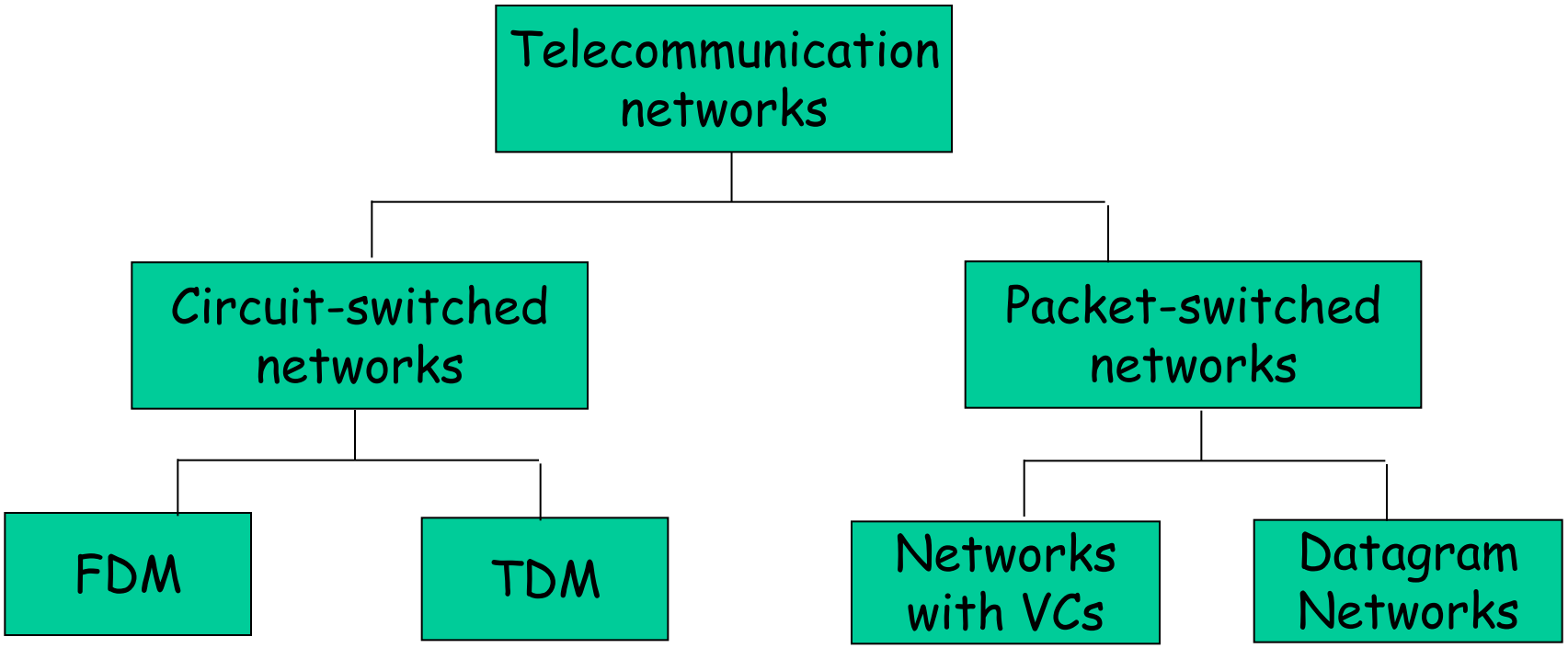

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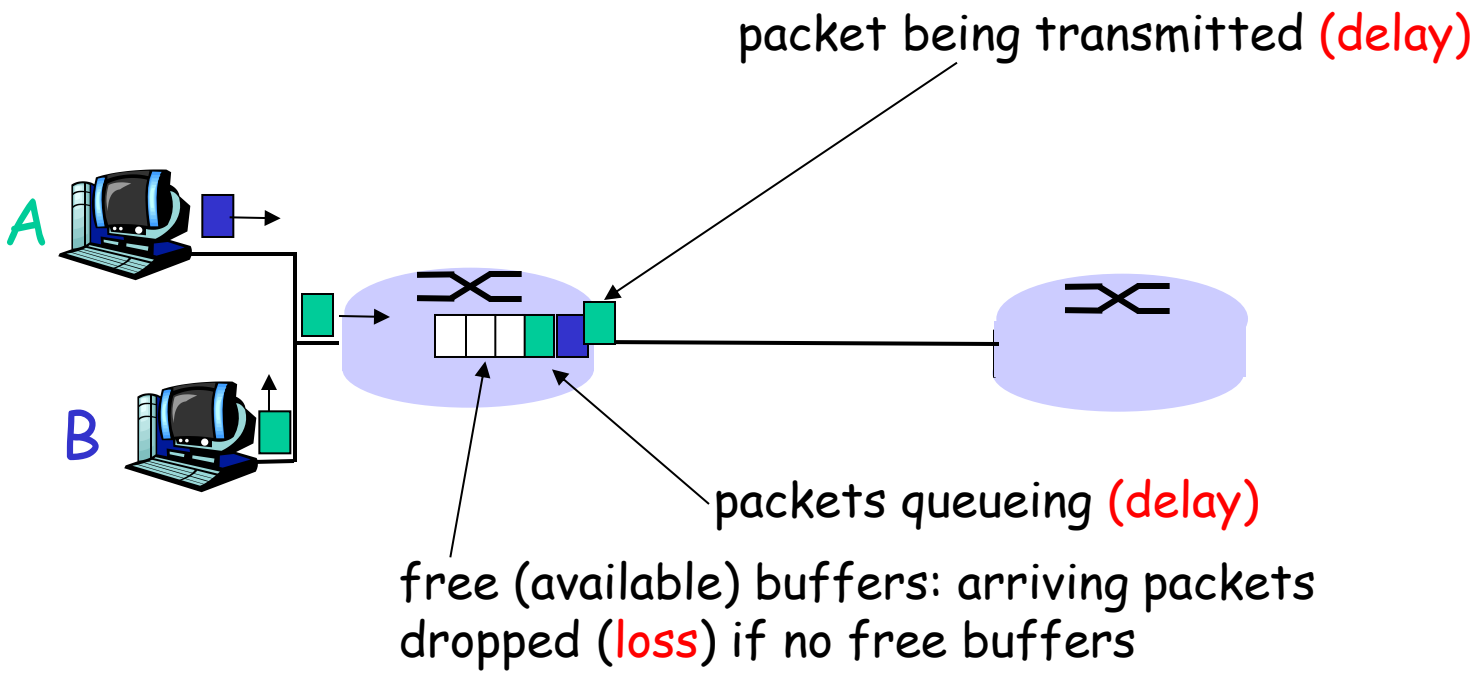
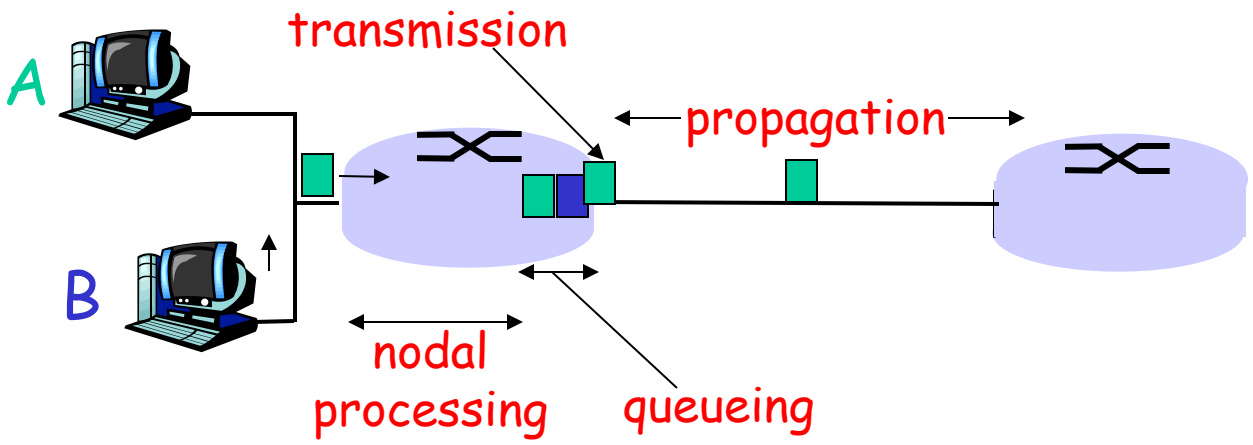
packets *queue* in router buffers

- packet arrival rate to link exceeds output link capacity
- packets queue, wait for turn
- if queue is full, arriving packets dropped (Drop-Tail)



Four sources of packet delay

- 1. Processing delay:
  - check bit errors
  - determine output link
- 2. Queueing delay:
  - time waiting at output link for transmission
  - depends on congestion level of router



Delay in packet-switched networks

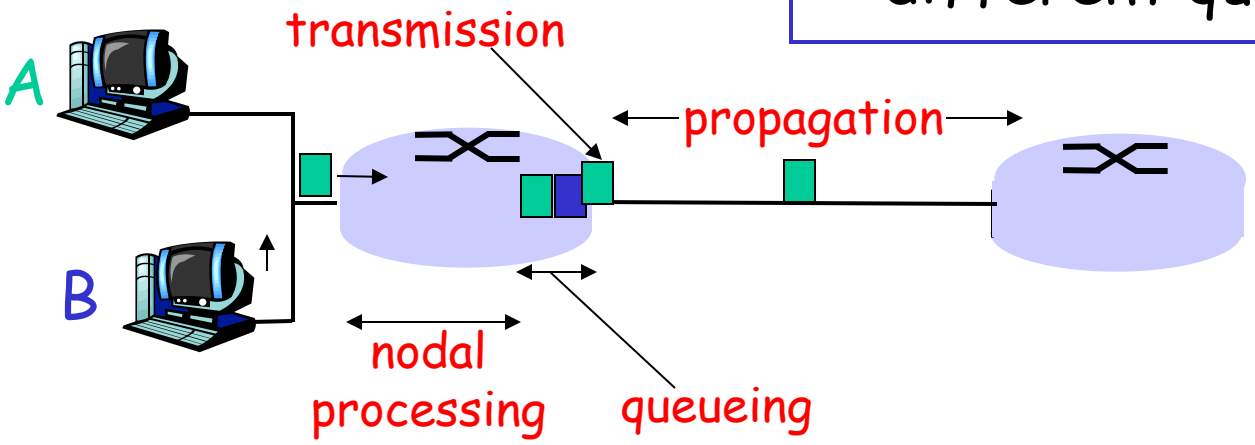
3. Transmission delay:

- 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 (~2×10^8 m/sec)
- propagation delay = d/s

Note: s and R are *very* different quantities!



Nodal processing delay

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

- d_{proc} = processing delay
  - typically a few microsecs or less
- d_{queue} = queuing delay
  - depends on congestion
- d_{trans} = transmission delay
  - = L/R, significant for low-speed links
- d_{prop} = propagation delay
  - a few microsecs to hundreds of msecs

E.g., Assume M/D/1

Queueing delay (revisited)

$$W = \frac{L/R\ (aL/R)}{2\ (1 - (aL/R))}$$

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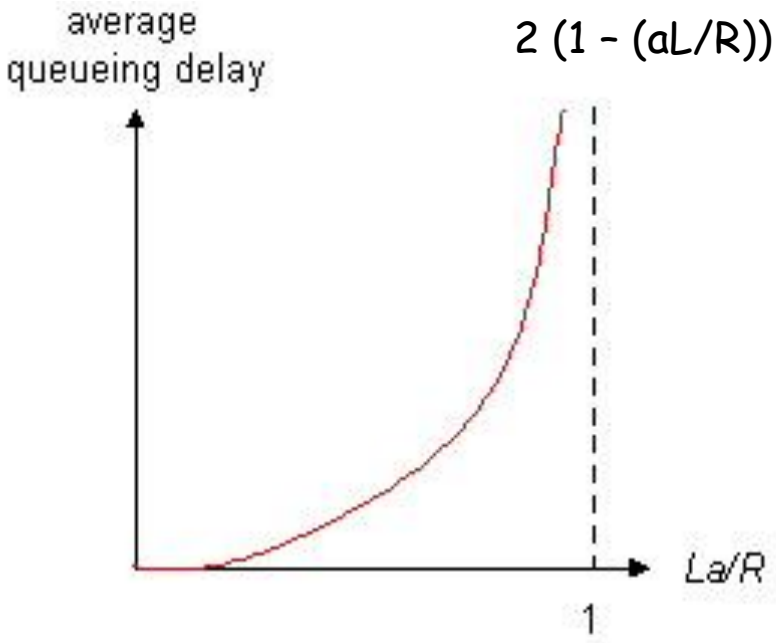
- a=average packet arrival rate

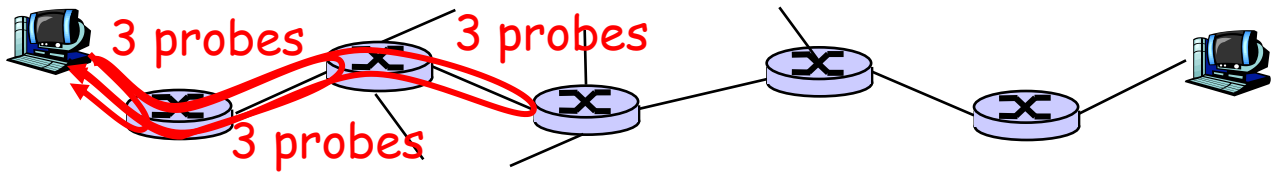
traffic intensity = aL/R



- aL/R ~ 0: average queueing delay small
- aL/R -> 1: delays become large
- aL/R > 1: more "work" arriving than can be serviced, average delay infinite!

"Real" Internet delays and routes

- What do "real" Internet delay & loss look like?
- Traceroute program: provides delay measurement from source to router along end-to-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.



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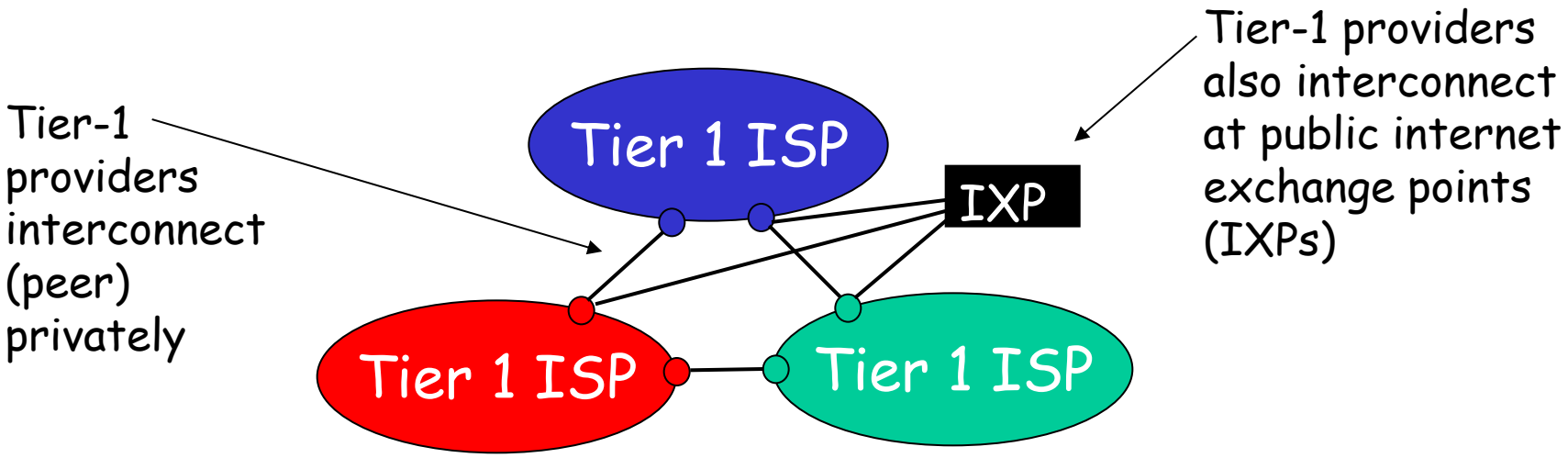
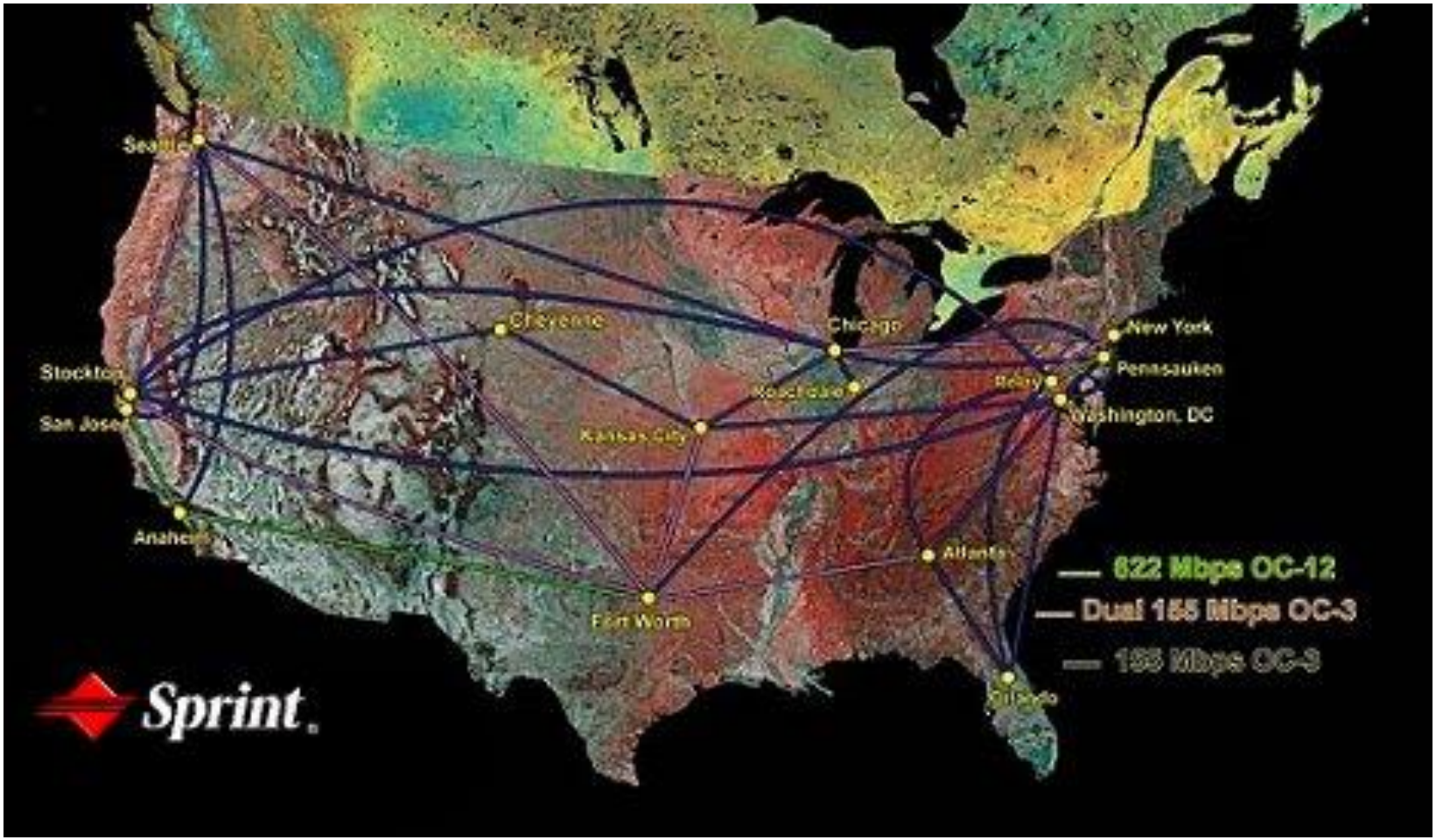


Tier-1 ISP: e.g., Sprint

Sprint US backbone network



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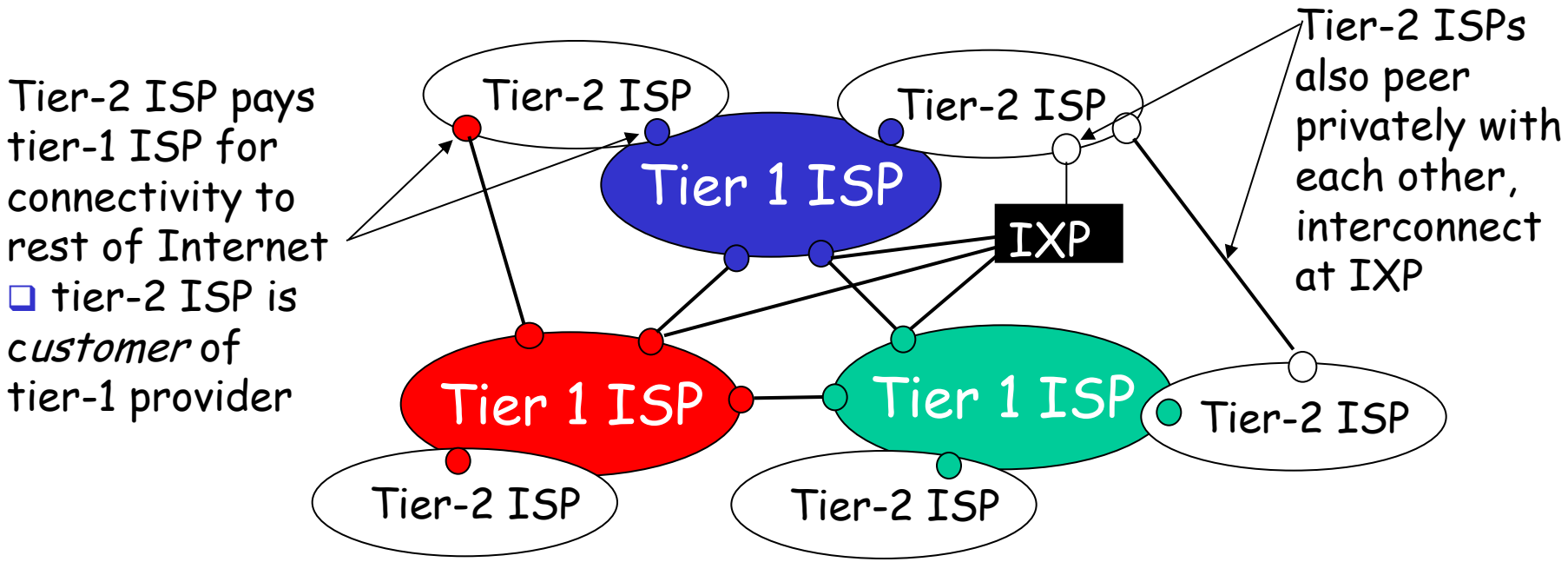

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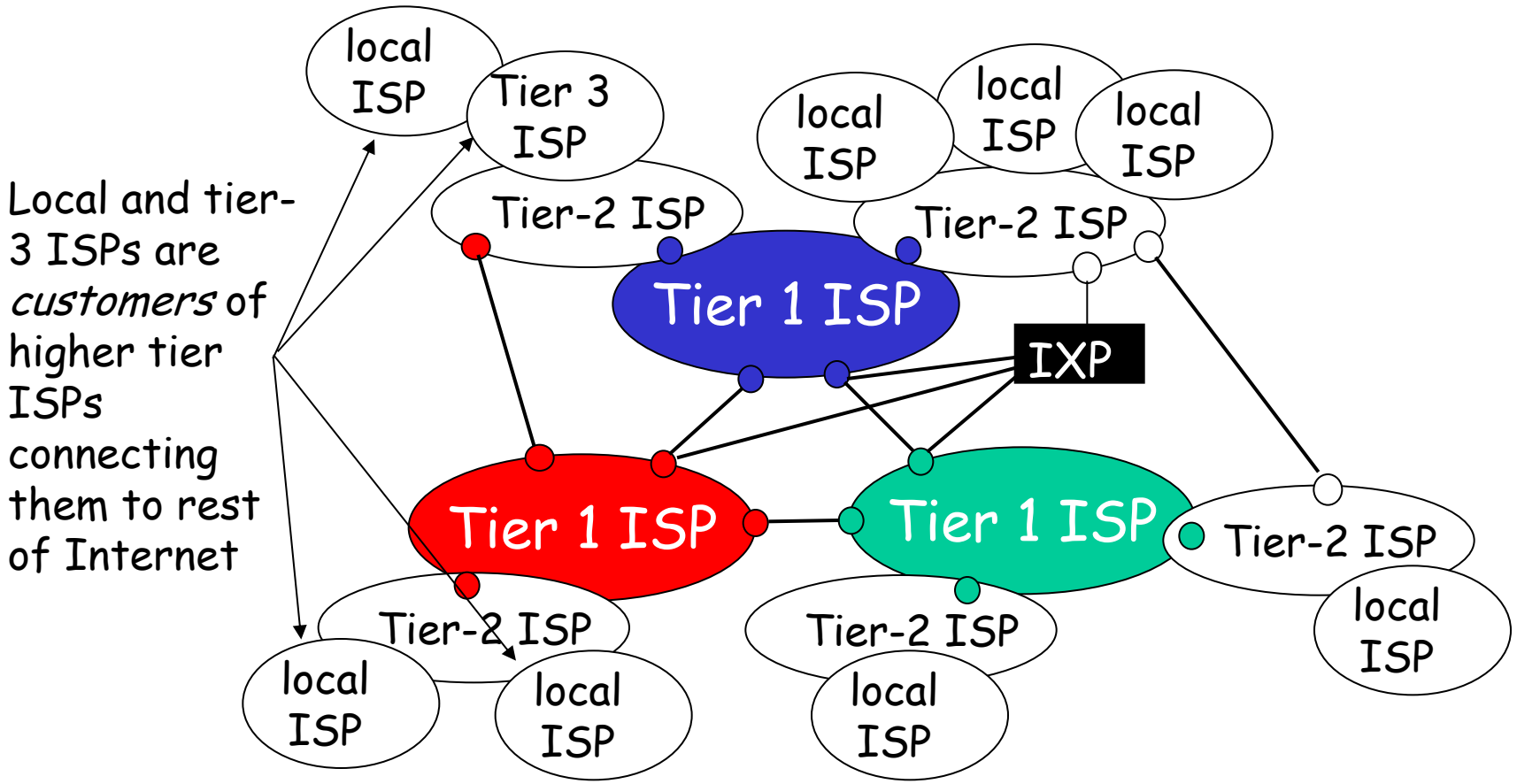

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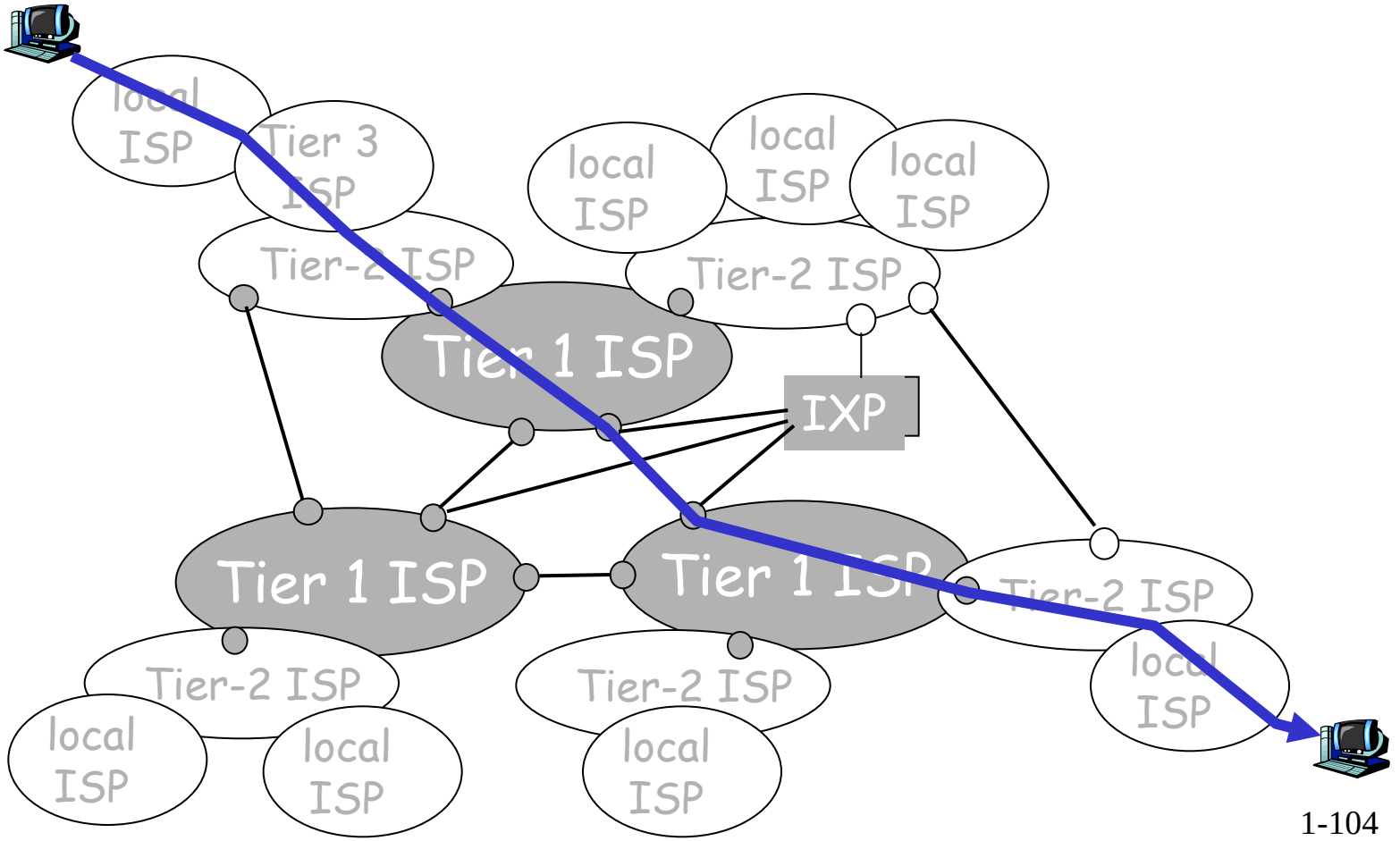

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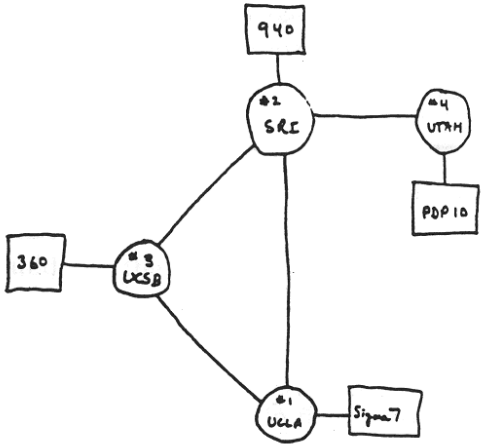

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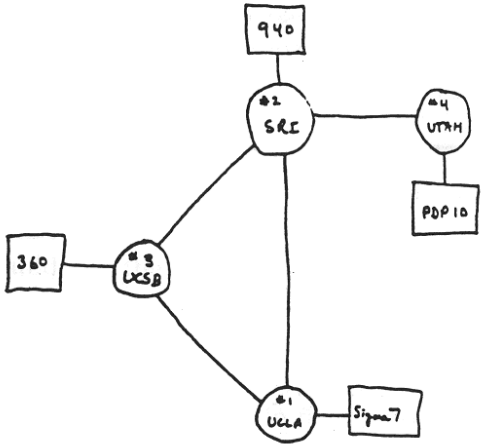

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