Data and Computer Communications

Chapter 2 – Protocol Architecture, TCP/IP, and Internet-Based Applications

Need For Protocol Architecture

- > data exchange can involve complex procedures
- better if task broken into subtasks
- > implemented separately in layers in stack
 - each layer provides functions needed to perform communication for layers above
 - using functions provided by layers below
 - modularization eases maintenance, updating of system

> peer layers communicate with a protocol



- > OSI: Open Systems Interconnection
- Developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- > Has seven layers too many
- Is a theoretical system delivered
- TCP/IP is the de facto standard

OSI Layers

Application

Provides access to the OSI environment for users and also provides distributed information services.

Presentation

Provides independence to the application processes from differences in data representation (syntax).

Session

Provides the control structure for communication between applications; establishes, manages, and terminates connections (sessions) between cooperating applications.

Transport

Provides reliable, transparent transfer of data between end points; provides end-to-end error recovery and flow control.

Network

Provides upper layers with independence from the data transmission and switching technologies used to connect systems; responsible for establishing, maintaining, and terminating connections.

Data Link

Provides for the reliable transfer of information across the physical link; sends blocks (frames) with the necessary synchronization, error control, and flow control.

Physical

Concerned with transmission of unstructured bit stream over physical medium; deals with the mechanical, electrical, functional, and procedural characteristics to access the physical medium.



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- The entities comprising the corresponding layers on different machines are called peers.
- Protocol: It is an agreement between peers on how communication is to proceed.
- > Peers can communicate by using Protocols.
- Interface: It defines the primitive operations and services the lower layer makes available to the upper layer.
- A Service Access Point (SAP) has an address that uniquely identifies where the service can be accessed.
- A set of layers and protocols is called a Network Architecture.



(e.g., network management, security)

Layer Specific Standards



The OSI Environment



OSI Model						
Layer		Data unit	Function	Examples		
Host layers	7. Application	Data	High-level APIs, including resource sharing, remote file access, directory services and virtual terminals	HTTP, FTP, SMTP		
	6. Presentation		Translation of data between a networking service and an application; including character encoding, data compression and encryption/decryption	ASCII, EBCDIC, JPEG		
	5. Session		Managing communication sessions, i.e. continuous exchange of information in the form of multiple back-and-forth transmissions between two nodes	RPC, PAP		
	4. Transport	Segments	Reliable transmission of data segments between points on a network, including segmentation, acknowledgement and multiplexing	TCP, UDP		
Media layers	3. Network	Packet/Datagram	Structuring and managing a multi-node network, including addressing, routing and traffic control	IPv4, IPv6, IPsec, AppleTalk		
	2. Data link	Bit/Frame	Reliable transmission of data frames between two nodes connected by a physical layer	PPP, IEEE 802.2, L2TP		
	1. Physical	Bit	Transmission and reception of raw bit streams over a physical medium	DSL, USB		

<u>1. The Physical Layer:</u>

- It concerns with transmitting raw bits over a communication channel.
- Voltage Levels for 0 and 1.
- Connectors: Number of bins and purpose of each bin.
- Transmission Media.
- Attenuation and Distortion.
- Analog PSTN Circuits and Digital Leased Circuits.

2. The Data Link Layer:

- FRAME is the basic protocol unit
- > Framing:
 - create and recognize frame boundaries.
 - encapsulate datagram into frame, adding header, trailer

Header	Message	Trailer
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- > Addressing:
 - MAC (Physical) Addressing.
- > Point-to-point Error Detection
- > Point-to-point flow control
- Medium Access Control (MAC) Protocols

Ethernet Frame



2. The Data Link Layer:

Medium Access Control (MAC)

- single shared broadcast channel
- > two or more simultaneous transmissions by nodes: interference
 - collision if node receives two or more signals at the same time



shared wire (e.g., cabled Ethernet)



2. The Data Link Layer:

Medium Access Control (MAC) Protocols:

- Channel Partitioning
 - divide channel into smaller "pieces" (time slots, frequency, code)
 - allocate piece to node for exclusive use
- Random Access
 - channel not divided, allow collisions
 - "recover" from collisions
- "Taking turns"
 - nodes take turns, but nodes with more to send can take longer turns

3. The Network Layer:

- > **PACKET (DATAGRAM)** is the basic protocol unit
- > Addressing
 - IP Addressing
- Routing: It determines how packets are routed from source to destination.
- Congestion Control: Many packets in the subnet trying to use the same route.
- Internetworking: It allows *heterogeneous networks* to be interconnected.

4. The Transport Layer:

- SEGMENT is the basic protocol unit
- Disassembling and Reassembling: It accepts data from a session layer, split it up to smaller units if needed, pass these to the network layer, and ensure that the pieces all arrive correctly at the other end.
- End-to-end error control.
- End-to-end flow control.
- > Addressing
 - Ports

5. The Session Layer:

- It allows users on different machines to establish sessions between them.
- Interaction Management: The data exchange associated with a dialog may be:
 - **Duplex:** Two-way simultaneous.
 - Half-Duplex: Two-way alternate.
 - Simplex: One-way.

6. The Presentation Layer:

- Data Compression.
- Data Encryption.

7. The Application Layer:

 The application layer contains a variety of protocols that are commonly needed.

Use of a Relay



TCP/IP Protocol Architecture

- > developed by US Defense Advanced Research Project Agency (DARPA)
- > for ARPANET packet switched network
- > used by the global Internet
- > protocol suite comprises a large collection of standardized protocols



OSI	TCP/IP	
Application	Application Transport (host-to-host)	
Presentation		
Session		
Transport		
Network	Network	
Data Link	Data Link	
Physical	Physical	

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
 - IP, routing protocols
- link: data transfer between neighboring network elements
 - PPP, Ethernet
- physical: bits "on the wire"



Operation of TCP/IP



Encapsulation



Frame

Protocol Data Units



TCP/IP Reference Model



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TCP/IP Layers

- Application layer
- Transport layer
- Internet layer
- Network access layer
- Physical layer

Addressing Requirements

- > two levels of addressing required
- > each host on a subnet needs a unique global network address
 - its IP address
- > each application on a (multi-tasking) host needs a unique address within the host
 - known as a port

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

- > usual transport layer is (TCP)
- > provides a reliable connection for transfer of data between applications
- > a TCP segment is the basic protocol unit
- TCP tracks segments between entities for duration of each connection

TCP Header

User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

- > an alternative to TCP
- > no guaranteed delivery
- > no preservation of sequence
- > no protection against duplication
- > minimum overhead

UDP Header

(b) UDP Header

IP Header

(a) IPv4 Header

IPv6 Header

(b) IPv6 Header

Ethernet Frame

TCP/IP Applications

- > have a number of standard TCP/IP applications such as
 - Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP)
 - File Transfer Protocol (FTP) control and data connections
 - Telnet
 - HTTP

- BGP = Border Gateway Protocol
- FTP = File Transfer Protocol
- HTTP = Hypertext Transfer Protocol
- ICMP = Internet Control Message Protocol
- IGMP = Internet Group Management Protocol
- IP = Internet Protocol
- MIME = Multi-Purpose Internet Mail Extension

- OSPF = Open Shortest Path First
- RSVP = Resource ReSerVation Protocol
- SMTP = Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
- SNMP = Simple Network Management Protocol
- TCP = Transmission Control Protocol
- UDP = User Datagram Protocol

Traditional vs Multimedia Applications

- > traditionally Internet dominated by info retrieval applications
 - typically using text and image transfer
 - E.g. email, file transfer, web
- > see increasing growth in multimedia applications
 - involving massive amounts of data
 - such as streaming audio and video

Elastic and Inelastic Traffic

elastic traffic

- can adjust to delay & throughput changes over a wide range
- E.g. traditional "data" style TCP/IP traffic
- some applications more sensitive though
- ▷ inelastic traffic
 - does not adapt to such changes
 - E.g. "real-time" voice & video traffic
 - need minimum requirements on net arch

Summary

- introduced need for protocol architecture
- Solution Solution Standardization
 Solution
- > TCP/IP protocol architecture
- > traditional vs multimedia application needs