# ACS-1803 Introduction to Information Systems

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# Networked Computing & The Internet

Lecture Outline 9-2

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# Computer Components -Architecture



# Network Computing

# What word comes to your mind when you think about the word Networking?



What words fit or does not fit into Computer Networks?

# Networked Computing

- Uses telecommunications technology
- Why learn about telecommunications and networks?
  - Need to access data that may be located in different places
  - Need to communicate, share information, upload/download data and software
  - Very important for supply chain management
    - Cooperation and communications among workers in inbound logistics, warehouse and storage, production, outbound logistics, and customers, suppliers and shippers
  - Different areas of the organization communicate with people internal and external to the organization

# Components of a Simple Network

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# Computer network

- Consists of communications media, devices, and software needed to connect two or more computer systems or devices
- Can transmit and receive information to improve organizational effectiveness and efficiency

# Network Hardware

#### Modem (<u>Mo</u>dulator/<u>Dem</u>odulator)

Enables computers to **connect** and **transmit data** over **phone lines** by converting the sending computer's **digital signals** to **analog** and back again for the receiving computer



# Speed of Transmission

- Measures in bits per second (bps)
- Thousands of bite per second Kbps
- Millions Mbps
- Billions Gbps
- Broadband telecommunication : rate of exchange of data > 1.5 Mbps

# Transmission Media

- Physical pathways between network members
- Computers send bits to each other (+ / -)
- Different media chosen to make up pathways
- Cables: twisted pair, coaxial, fibre optic
- Wireless: infrared line of sight, high frequency radio, microwave
- Bandwidth refers to the transmission capacity of a communications channel or computer.

# Transmission media

• Wi-Fi network:

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# Transmission Media – Guided transmission

- Twisted-pair wire
  - Shielded or unshielded twisted pairs of copper wire
  - Used for telephone service
  - There are transmission and distance limitations
- Coaxial Cable
  - Inner conductor wire surrounded by insulation
  - Cleaner and faster data transmission than twisted-pair wire
  - More expensive too
- Fiber Optic
  - Thin strands of glass bound together in a shell, uses light beams to transmit signals
  - Smaller diameter than coaxial, less signal distortion, capable of high transmission rates
  - Even more expensive to purchase and install





# Wireless Media (Unguided)

- Infrared Line of Site (LOS):
  - like TV remote control



High-frequency radio:

(c) Line-of-sight (LOS) propagation (above 30 MHz)

 needs antenna towers; used in pagers, cellular phones, police / taxi radio in cars

#### Microwave: long distances

- Terrestrial: antennas every e.g., 30 miles
- Satellite: signals from antennas on Earth to Satellites in space and back down

# Wireless Media (Microwave)

#### **Microwave**

A high frequency radio signal that is sent through the air using either terrestrial (earth-based) or satellite systems



#### Terrestrial Microwave A line-of-site technology (unobstructed) used to cross inaccessible terrain or to connect buildings where cable installation would be expensive. Attenuation is low over short distance but higher over longer distances, and high winds, heavy rain, EMI and eavesdropping are also problems

# Wireless Media (Satellite)



Satellite Microwave A line-of-site technology that uses relay stations to transfer signals between antennae located on earth and a satellite orbiting the earth. It can be used to access very remote locations and, like a terrestrial microwave, attenuation, EMI and eavesdropping are also problems

# Wireless Media

#### **Cellular Phone**

A two-way wireless communication that assigns unique frequencies to calls and can transmit in analog or digital



# Wireless Media

- 3G wireless communications:
  - Supports wireless voice and broadband speed data communications in a mobile environment

### 4G wireless communications:

- 4G will also provide increased data transmission rates in the 20–40 Mbps range
- ▶ LTE Long Term Evolution

# Networking Types - Network Services

#### Client/Server model Peer-to-peer



#### Server

Any computer on a network that makes access to files, printing, communication, and other services available to users on the network

#### Client

Any computer, such as a user's workstation or a PC on the network, or software application such as word processing program that uses services provided by the server. A client only requests service and usually has only one user

# Client/Server Systems

- Client/server architecture:
  - Multiple computer platforms are dedicated to special functions
- Server:
  - It is the "captain" of the network
  - It has more advanced CPU, more memory, more disk storage
  - It 'serves' other computers (clients) on the network as they request them including data files, software, access to peripherals (printers)
  - Runs a network operating system (NOS)

# Client/Server Systems

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### Peer-to-Peer Architecture



# Network Types – Geographical Coverage

- Personal area networks:
  - Support interconnection of information technology within a range of about 33 feet
- Local area networks:
  - Connect computer systems and devices within a small area (e.g., office or home)
- Wide area networks:
  - Connect large geographic regions

# Types of Computer Processing

- Centralized processing:
  - All processing occurs in a single location or facility
- Distributed processing:
  - Processing devices are placed at remote locations but are connected to each other via a network

### Cloud Computing

Software and storage provided as an internet service and accessed within a web browser

# Centralized Computing



# **Distributed Computing**





# **Cloud Computing**

- Software and storage provided as an internet service and accessed within a web browser
- Example: Email, Data storage, skydrive, tax software, flicker, facebook.
- Soon most computing will take place on the internet



# Cloud Computing – Advantages to Businesses

- Outsourcing Resources Saves on system design, installation, and maintenance
- Provides an ability to access corporate systems from any Internet-connected device
- Increases the data storage capabilities of the firm
- Data safeguarding responsibility of service provider

# The Internet

# The Internet "Network of Networks"

 Large, worldwide collection of networks that use a common protocol to communicate with each other





# **GLOBAL DIGITAL SNAPSHOT**



A SNAPSHOT OF THE WORLD'S KEY DIGITAL STATISTICAL INDICATORS







# How the Internet Works – Connecting to the Internet

**ARPANET** (Advanced Research Project Agency Network)

- Created in the 1960s by DARPA (Defense Advance Research Projects Agency)
- Used by government and universities for research purposes

#### Modem (stands for <u>Mo</u>dulate/<u>Dem</u>odulate)

- A modem converts signals back and forth from digital to analog for transmission and receipt between computers
- A computer requires a modem to get access to the Internet

#### **Internet Service Provider (ISP)**

- These companies provides access to the **Internet** for a fee (*i.e. MTS, Shaw*)
- A computer is connected to an **ISP** through a **modem** to allow **Internet** access

#### **Network Access Points (NAPs)**

- NAP's connect ISPs together
- They serve as Internet access points for the ISPs and serve as exchange points for Internet traffic

#### **Internet Backbone**

 Collection of main network connections and telecommunications lines that make up the Internet

# Network Protocols

- In general:
  - Protocol set of rules on HOW to do something
- Here:
  - agreed upon formats for transmitting data between connected computers
- How to arrange data packets, how to signal end of message, how to specify destination address etc.

# TCP/IP & Routers

#### **TCP/IP** Approach

#### **TCP – Transmission Control Protocol**

- Breaks information into small chucks called data packets
- Manages the transfer of the packets from computer to computer
- Reassembles data packets into a message at the destination

#### IP – Internet Protocol

- Controls how data packets are formed
- Addresses each packet with the source and destination address
- A data packet conforming to the IP spec is called an IP datagram

#### Routers

Connect one network to another

- Identify each device on a network as unique using IP protocol
- Serve as the "Traffic Cop" directing packets to their destination

# Packet Switching



# Sending Message from Computer A to D



# Popular Uses of Internet

- Telnet use remote CPU
- File Transfer Protocol (FTP): download file from remote computer
- Internet telephone calls (VoIP)
- E-mail
- Chat messengers
- World Wide Web

# The World Wide Web

# The World Wide Web

- Developed by Tim Berners-Lee at <u>CERN</u> (c. 1980)
- Originally conceived of as an internal documentmanagement system
- The Web has grown to become:
  - A primary source of news and information
  - An indispensible conduit for commerce
  - A popular hub for social interaction, entertainment, and communication

# World Wide Web



#### **Web Servers**

- A special computer that is specifically designed to store and "serve up" Web pages
- This machine contains special hardware and software to perform its many specialized functions

# World Wide Web



# Web Browser

#### Hypertext

- A Web page stored on a Web server
- Contains **information** and **links** to other related information (hyperlinks)

#### HTML (Hypertext Markup Language)

- A standard method used to specify the format of Web pages
- Uses codes/tags which stipulate how the content should appear to the user

#### Web Browser

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# A Website

- Collection of interlinked web pages created by the same author(s) for common purpose
- Respond to requests over the Internet from browsers according to the <u>hypertext transfer protocol</u> (http)
- URL (Uniform Resource Locator)
  - Each site has a URL address
  - http://www.uwinnipeg,ca

# How the Internet Works – Web Addresses & Domains



<ul> <li>Domain</li> <li>Identifies the Website (host)</li> <li>Comes in many suffixes such as: .edu (educational institutions) .org (organizations; non-profit) mil (military)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>IP Address</li> <li>Each domain is associated with one or more IP addresses</li> <li>Format: a 32-bit address written as 4 numbers (from 0-255) separated by periods</li> </ul>
.net (network organizations) Example: microsoft.com uwinnipeg.ca	Example: 1.160.10.240

#### (URL) Uniform Resource Locator

Identifies particular Web pages within a domain
 Example: http://www.microsoft.com/security/default.mspx

# Web addresses

- Website: http://www.yyy.zz
- Page on that site: http://www.yyy.zz/xx
- Domain name: yyy.zz
- Prefix: yyy e.g. uwinnipeg
- Suffix: zz
- e.g.
  - .com business
  - .org nonprofit organization
  - .ca Canada

# Internet Protocol (IP) Addresses

### Each domain name

- uwinnipeg.ca
- is associated with an IP Address
  - Number assigned to each device (e.g., computer, printer) participating in a network that uses the internet protocol (IP)
  - 32-bit numeric address (4.29 Billion IP addresses)
  - written as 4 numbers separated by periods (IPv4)
  - Domain name is translated to IP Address by a special server on the Internet
  - e.g.. 1.160.10.240

# IPv6

- June 6, 2012, Internet Society launched IPv6
- I 28-bit addresses, able to handle up to I quadrillion addresses
- written as 6 sets of numbers marked by colons
- e.g.. 2001:db8:85a3::8a2e:370:7334



# Web Browser and Hypertext



# HTML (Hypertext Markup Language

- <html>
- <head>
- k rel=File-List href="Index\_files/filelist.xml">
- <title>ACS 1803 Introduction to Information Systems</title>
- </head>
- <body lang=EN-CA link=blue vlink=purple style='tab-interval:36.0pt'><hI><Welcome to Section 053</hI>
- </body> </html>

Internet email address

john@uwinnipeg.ca e-mail address has @ symbol

user name @ domain name Domain names (general areas): .com commercial organization .edu educational organization .gov government organization

.ca Canada .us U.S. .hk Hong Kong

# Types of Websites

- I. <u>Static</u>: collection of static documents created in HTML and tied together with links
- 2. <u>Static with forms</u>: 90% is pure document delivery, but also has fill-in forms to collect information from the user
- <u>Dynamic Data Access</u>: via a Web page, users can search a catalogue or perform queries on the contents of a database, e.g. University Course Registration
- 4. <u>Web-based Software Applications</u>: facilitate business processes beyond voiding information; have a business information system on a Web-site, e.g., inventory tracking, sales force automation

# Search Engines

- Search engines are programs that search documents for specified keywords and returns a list of the documents (web pages) where the keywords were found
- Biggest application on the web
- Web Search is such a profitable business (Google \$15.5 billion annual revenue) because it is an application that is of use to everybody
- Search engines are an important contributor to the development of the Web and the Internet
- Today businesses build their websites using `Search Engine Optimization (SEO)`

# The Future Internet

### The Internet2 Project

- Consortium of 350+ institutions collaborating to facilitate revolutionary Internet technologies
- Guaranteed service levels and lower error rates
  - Ability to purchase the right to move data through network at guaranteed speed in return for higher fee
- Declining costs
- The Internet of Things (IoT)
  - Objects connected via sensors/RFID to the Internet