UNIT 11B

The Internet: Higher-level protocols

Demo

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simple network access in Python

Sending email

```
# mail (run where there is a local mail server)

import smtplib
from email.mime.text import MIMEText

def mail_demo() :
    msg = MIMEText('Give me an A!')
    msg['Subject'] = 'My grade'
    msg['From'] = 'student@example.org'
    msg['To'] = ‘teacher@andrew.cmu.edu'
    server = smtplib.SMTP('localhost')
    server.send_message(msg)
    server.quit()
```

Fetching a web page

```
# web (run this wherever)

from urllib.request import urlopen

def web_demo() :
    page = urlopen('https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~15110-n15/other/webDemo.html')
    print("Opened URL ", page.geturl())
    print("Contents:")
    for line in page :
        print(line.decode('ISO-8859-1'))
```

Higher-level protocols

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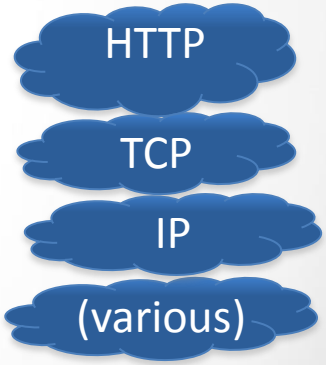
Networking for human beings

“Higher” and “lower” level protocols

- Network protocols are organized in *layers*
  - IP packet delivery is the lowest *layer* of the Internet protocol *stack*
  - “Higher” layers use services provided by “lower” layers
  - Each layer is responsible for a type of service



Layers of the Internet ("higher" to "lower")

Application Layer *serves to human beings*

- Handles requests from the user for data on the Internet
  - *e.g.* browser, email client, Skype

Transport Layer *serves to a*pplications

- Handles splitting messages into packets for delivery.
  - converts between application messages and IP packets
  - figures out which application to deliver a message to
  - possibly detects and corrects delivery errors

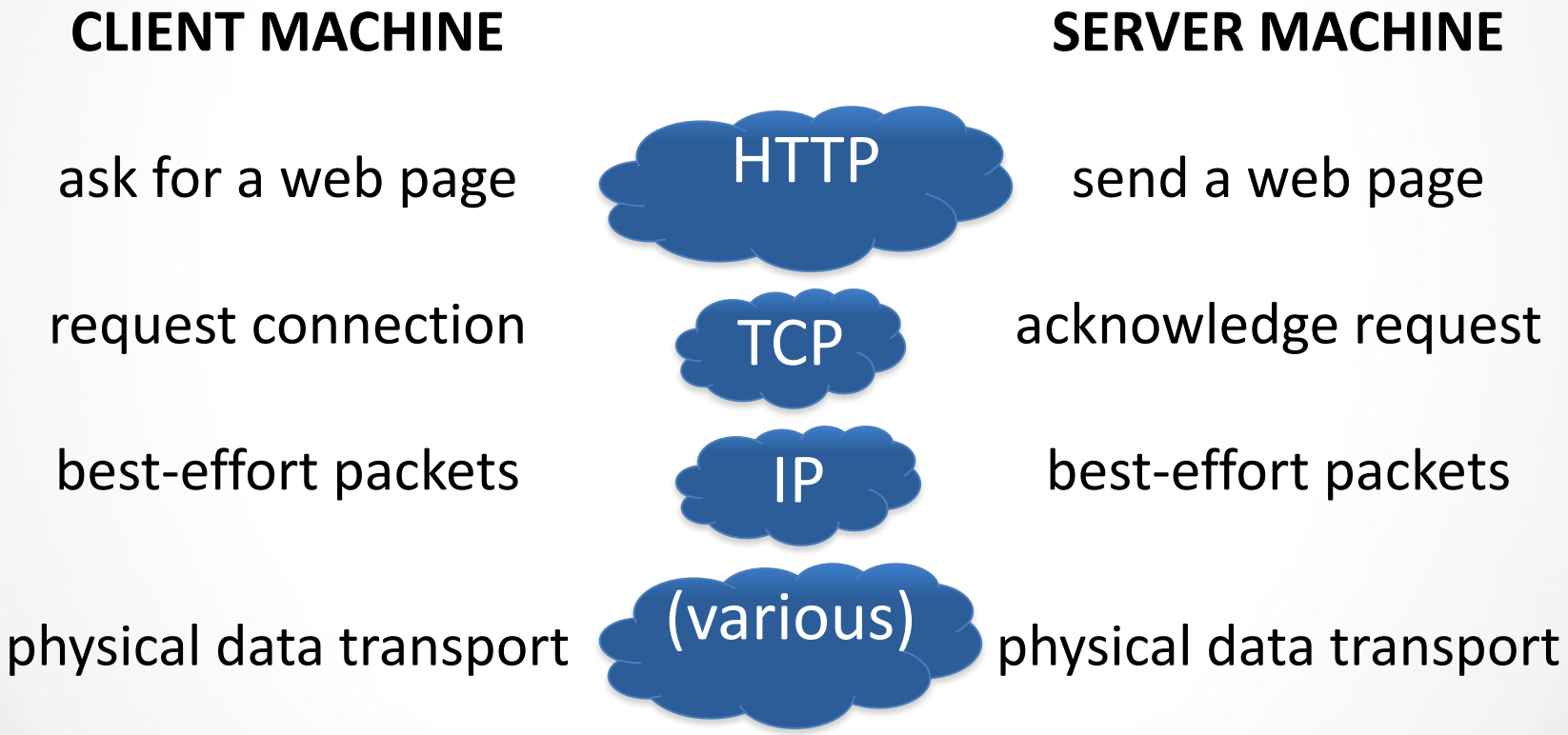
Internet Layer *serves to tran*sport layer

- Handles the task of sending packets across one or more networks.

Link Layer *serves to inte*rnet layer

- Handles the physical transfer and reception of bits.

Example: Layering the Web



Transport Layer

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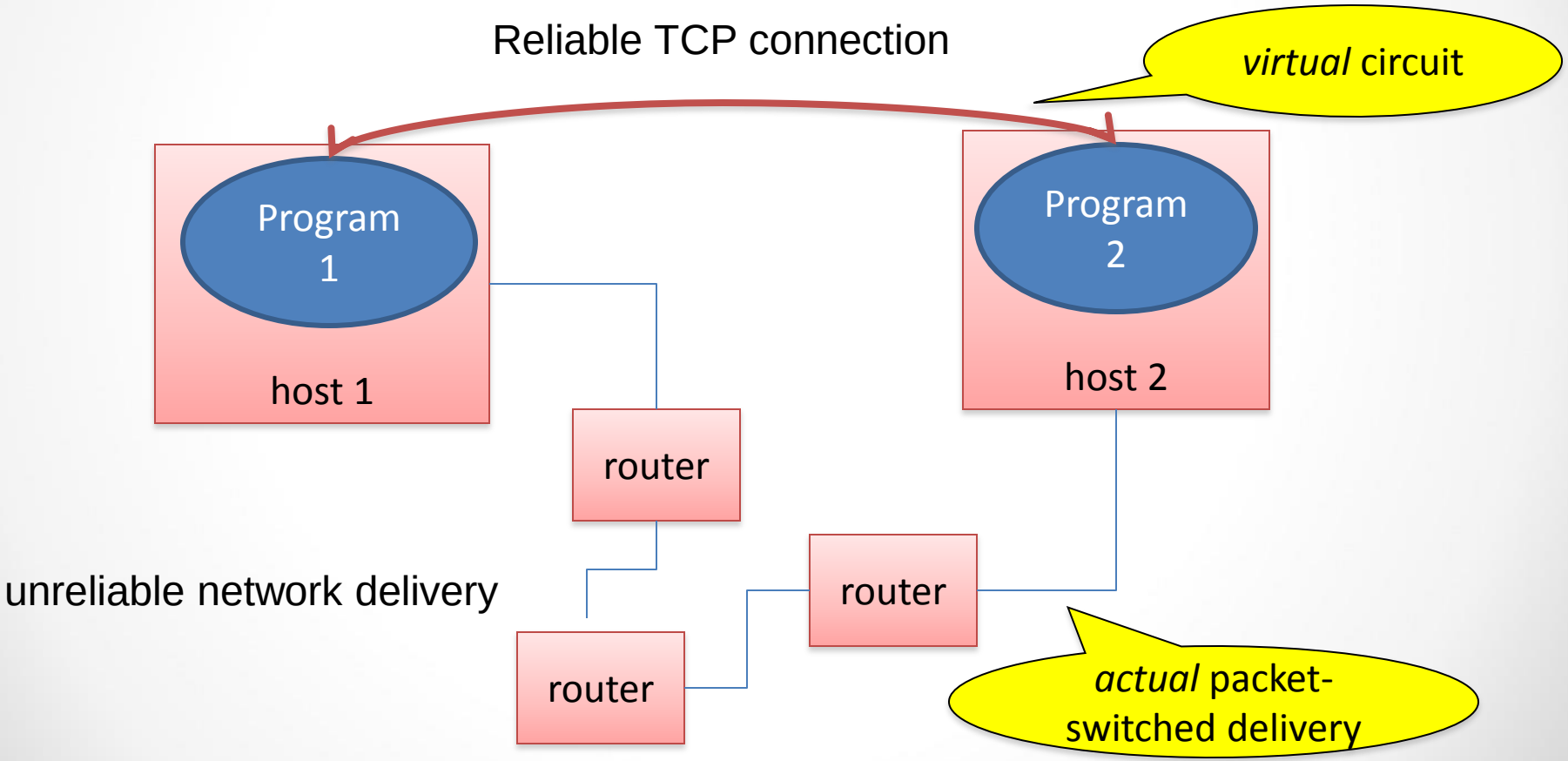
from IP packets to application messages

Transport Layer

- Splits **application messages** into **IP packets** and **maps applications to *port number***
  - IP address identifies machine, but port number identifies an application operating on that machine (web, email, etc.)
- Transport Control Protocol (**TCP**)
  - Creates **a *reliable* bi-directional** stream (source address/port and destination address/port)
- User Datagram Protocol (**UDP**)
  - Creates a **single one-way** message to a remote application (destination address/port)
    - used for voice, video, DNS lookup, …

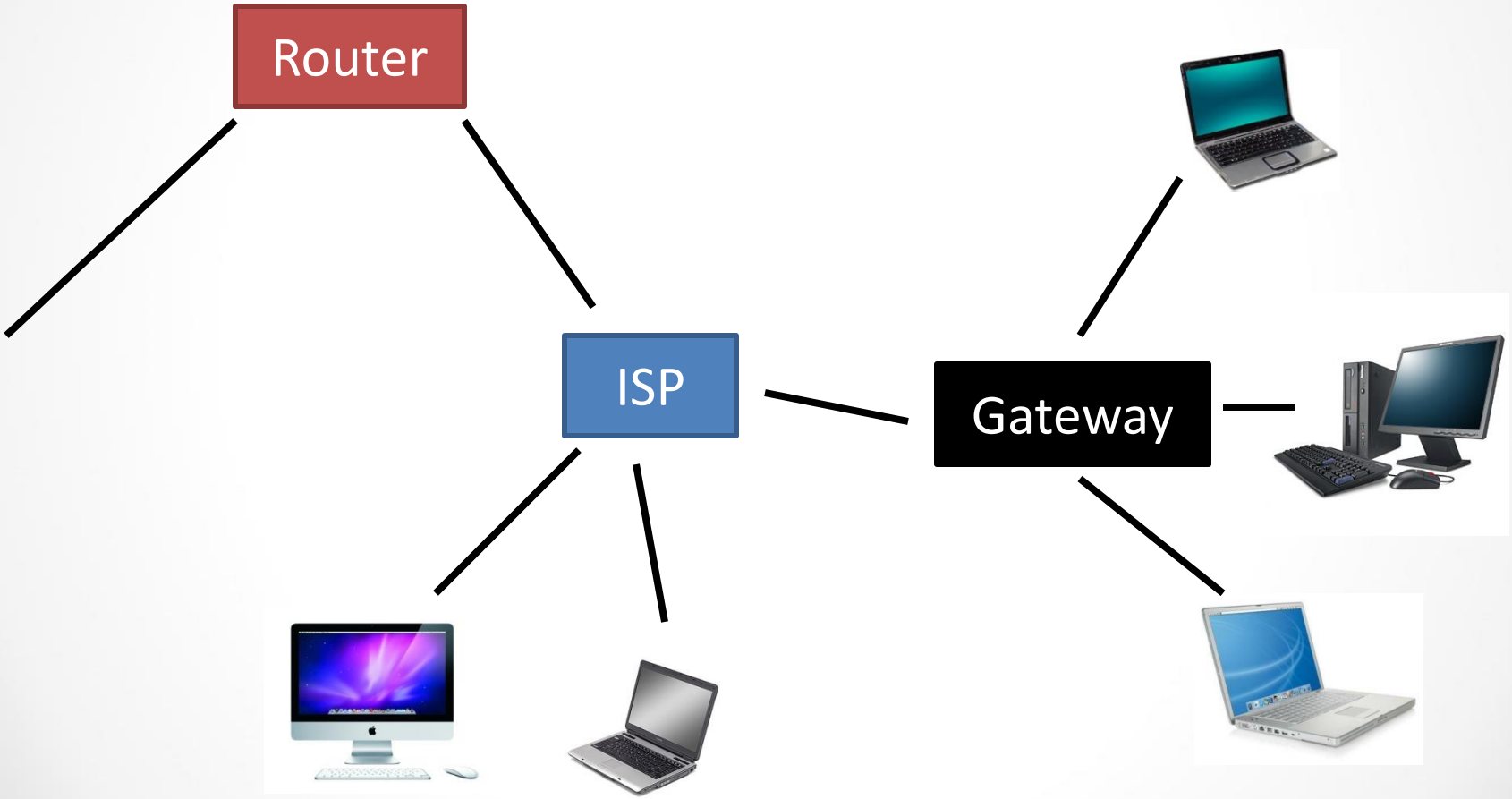
Transport Layer



Reliable Communication with TCP

- Suppose A and B are the TCP programs of two computers.
  - An application asks A to send a message to an application at B.
  - A breaks the message into several packets.
    - Each packet includes parity information, so B can check it for accuracy.
    - Packets are sent via IP.
  - B receives the packets.
    - If B is missing a packet or receives a corrupt packet, it can request retransmission.
    - If the packet is OK, B sends an acknowledgement.
  - If A doesn't get an acknowledgement, it will retransmit.
  - B assembles the incoming packets in order and provides the message to the appropriate application.

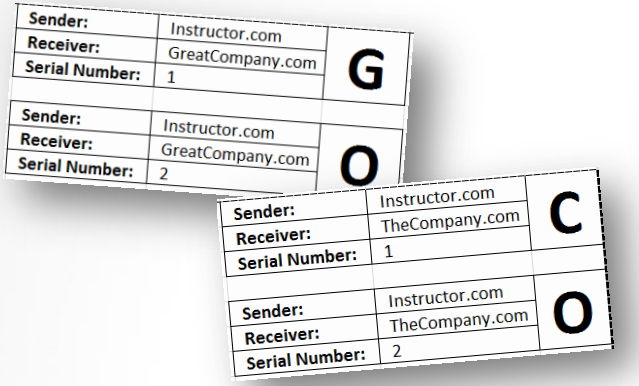
Network Address Translation (NAT)



Network Address Translation (NAT)

- Used to accommodate more users on the Internet, security, and administration.
- The gateway assigns an additional code called a port for each user. Packets are tagged with the port.
  - Against end-to-end delivery
- The gateway knows where to route the messages on the private network, but all messages from that private network share the same single IP address.

Remember the Class Activity



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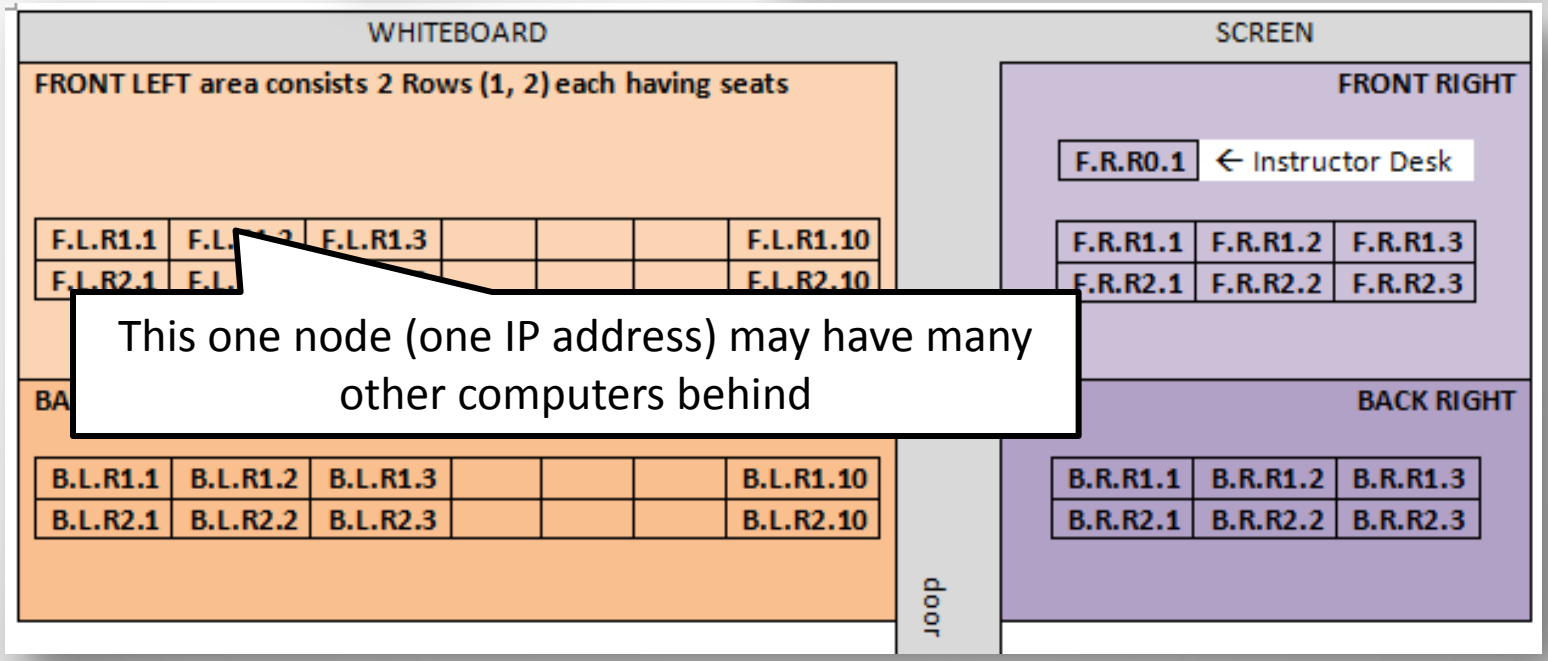

Domain names

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from **98.139.183.24** to **yahoo.com**

From names to IP addresses

- URL: http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~15110-n15/index.html
- Email address: teacher@andrew.cmu.edu
- We don't want IP addresses in our URLs or email addresses—why not?
- Domain Name Service (DNS) *translates* names to addresses

DNS design

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TheCompany.com	___.___.____.____
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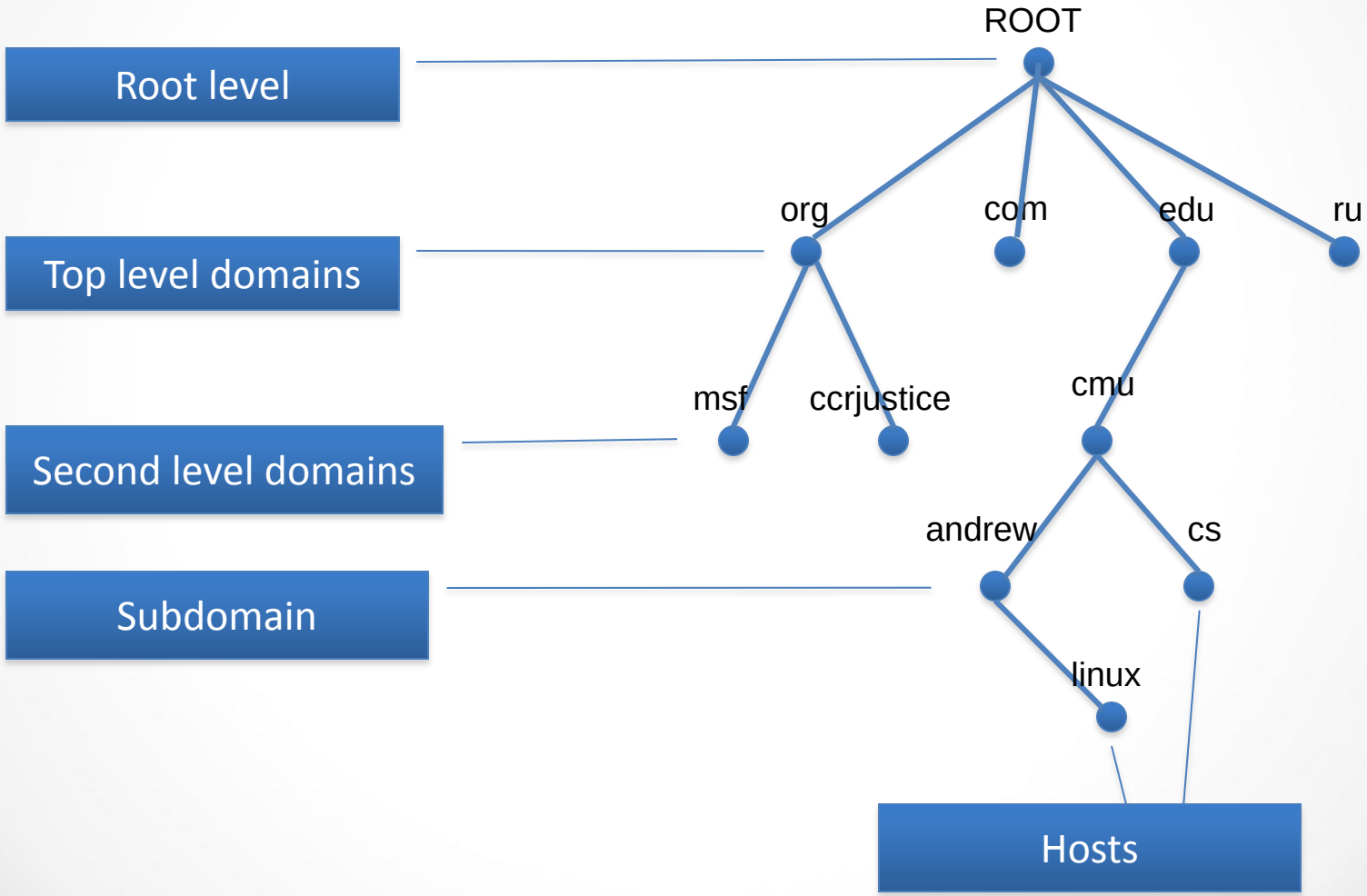
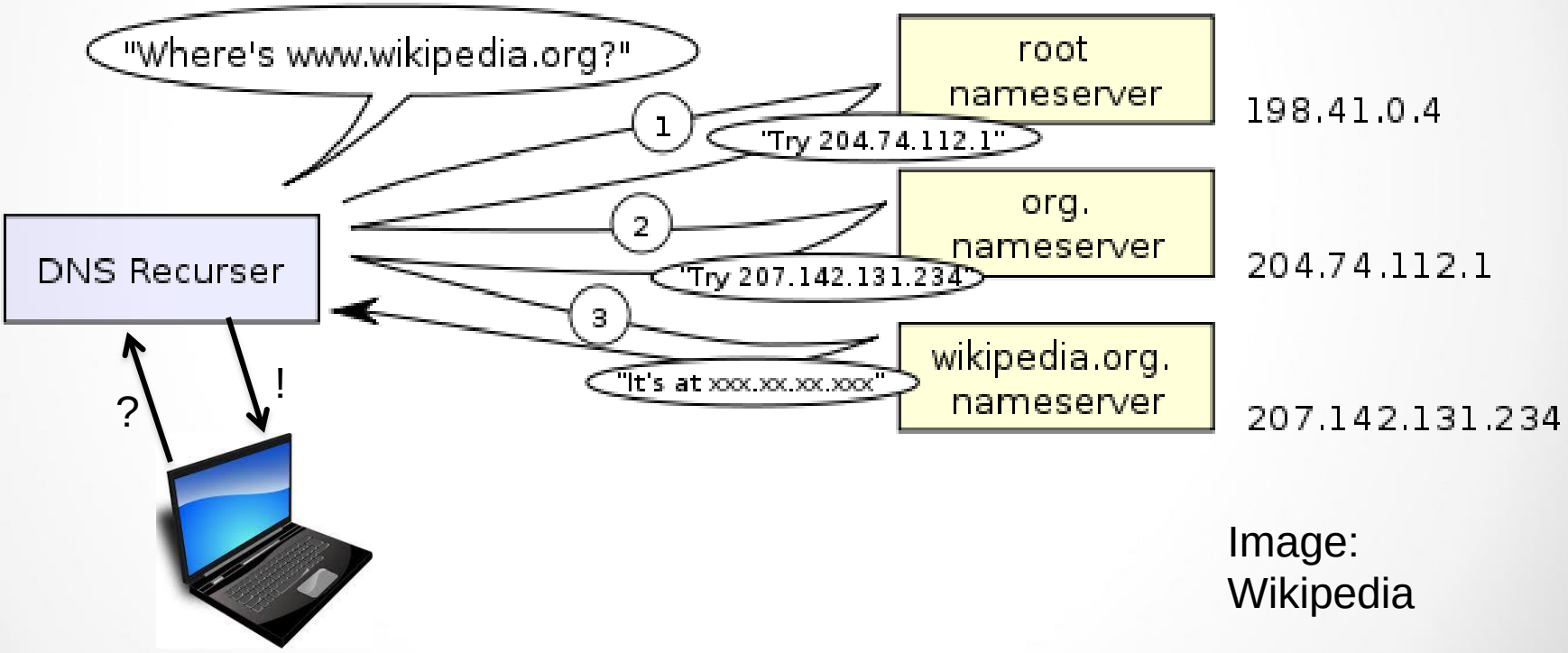
- Problem: so many names! How to make lookup fast?
- Solution: hierarchy of name servers
  - Each machine knows a name server, which knows how to find a **root name server**
  - root name servers know DNS servers for each **top-level domain** (e.g., "edu", "com", "net", "uk", "ru")
  - top-level domain servers know DNS servers for each **second-level domain** (e.g., "cmu.edu", "co.uk")
  - second-level domain servers know **each host** directly in their domain (e.g., "www.cmu.edu") and DNS servers for each **third-level** domain (e.g., "andrew.cmu.edu")

DNS Hierarchy (fragment)



DNS Lookup



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Client-server architectures

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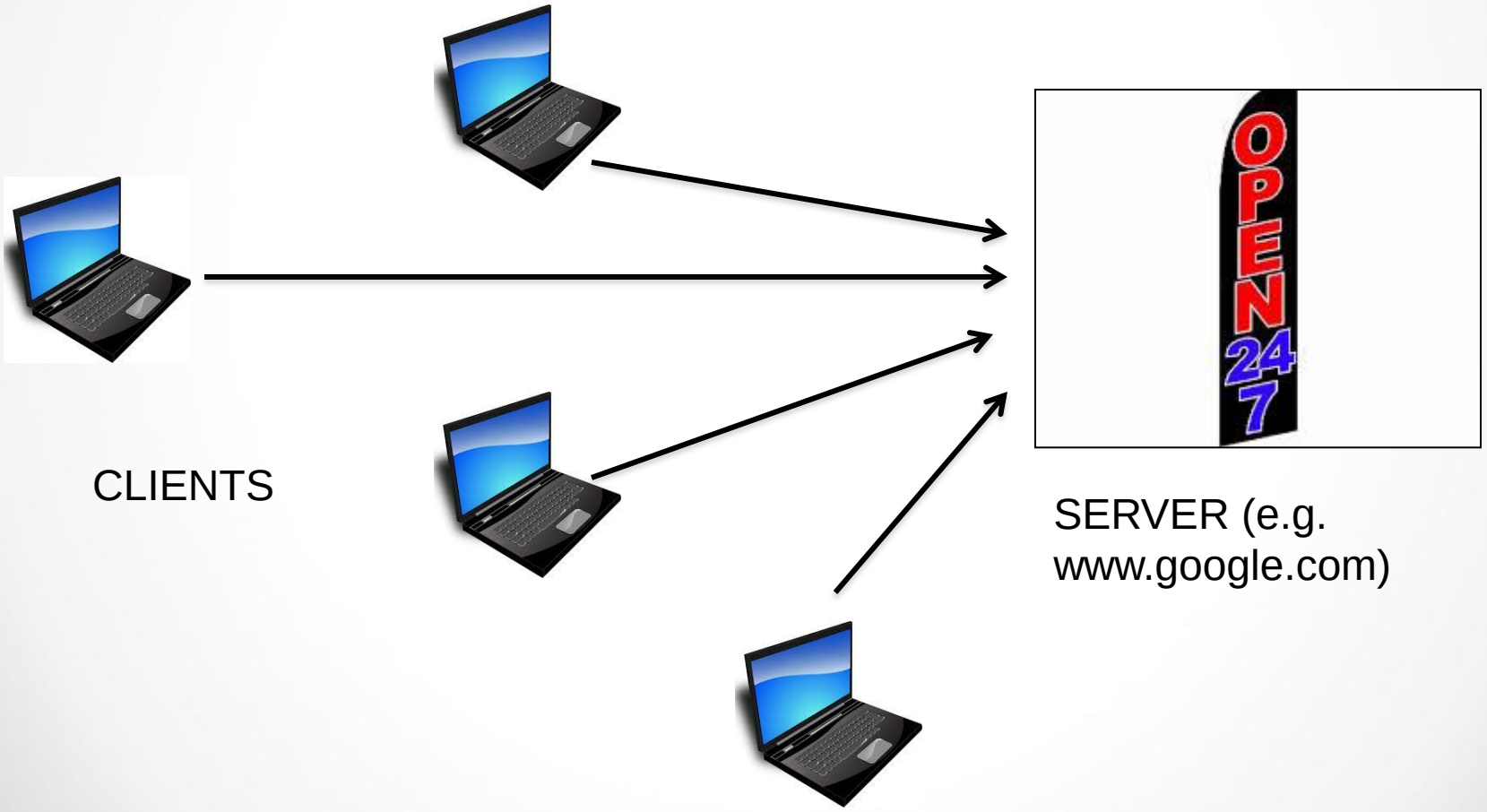
web, mail, streaming video, and more

Client-server Architectures



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SERVER (e.g. www.google.com)

Client-server Architectures

- Architecture: an organizing principle for a computing system
- Most common architecture for Internet applications: *client-server*
- Server is always on, waiting for requests
  - *server software* (e.g. Apache) tells TCP (transport layer software) on its own machine "please listen for messages with port number 80"
  - *client software* (e.g. Chrome) tells TCP "please send this message to machine xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx with port number 80"
  - TCP gives message to IP, which sends it through internet to server machine; IP at server machine delivers to TCP at server machine
  - TCP at the server machine delivers the message to Apache

The Web

- World Wide Web = html + http
- html = HyperText Markup Language, an encoding
  - tells what a page should look like and
  - what other pages it links to
- http = HyperText Transfer Protocol
  - agreement on how client and server interact

HTML: an encoding

- Example: using your favorite plain-text editor create the following text file:

```
<html><head>
<title>15110, Spring '14,
Example web page</title>
</head>
<body>
<h1>Hello World!</h1>
</body></html>
```

- In a browser type its name in the address bar, e.g.

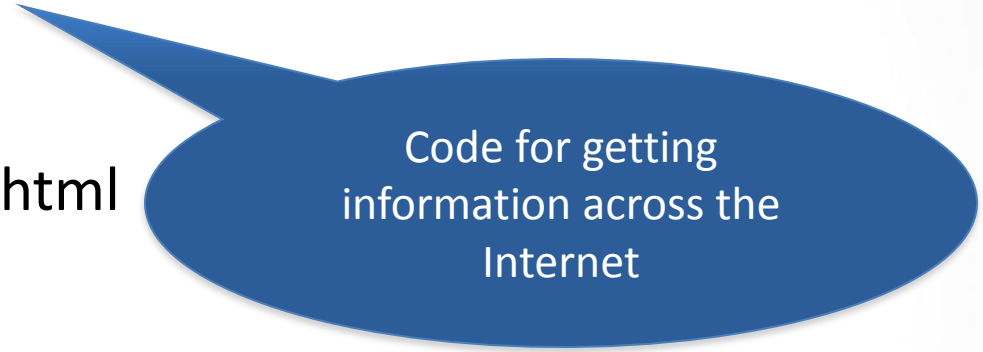
```
file:///Users/pennyanderson/CMU/110/week11/example1.html
```

HTML: networked hypertext

- Now add

```
<a href=http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hello_world_program>
Hello World!</a>
```

- save as example2.html and load



HTTP: hypertext transfer protocol

- Protocol for communication between web **client** *application* (e.g. Chrome, Safare, IE, Firefox) and web **server** *application* (e.g. Apache)

- Agreement on how to ask for a web page, how to send data entered into a form, how to report errors (codes like *404 not found*), etc.

Uniform Resource Locators

- A Web page is identified by a Uniform Resource Locator (URL)

  protocol://host address/page

- A URL

http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~15110/index.html

Protocol to use

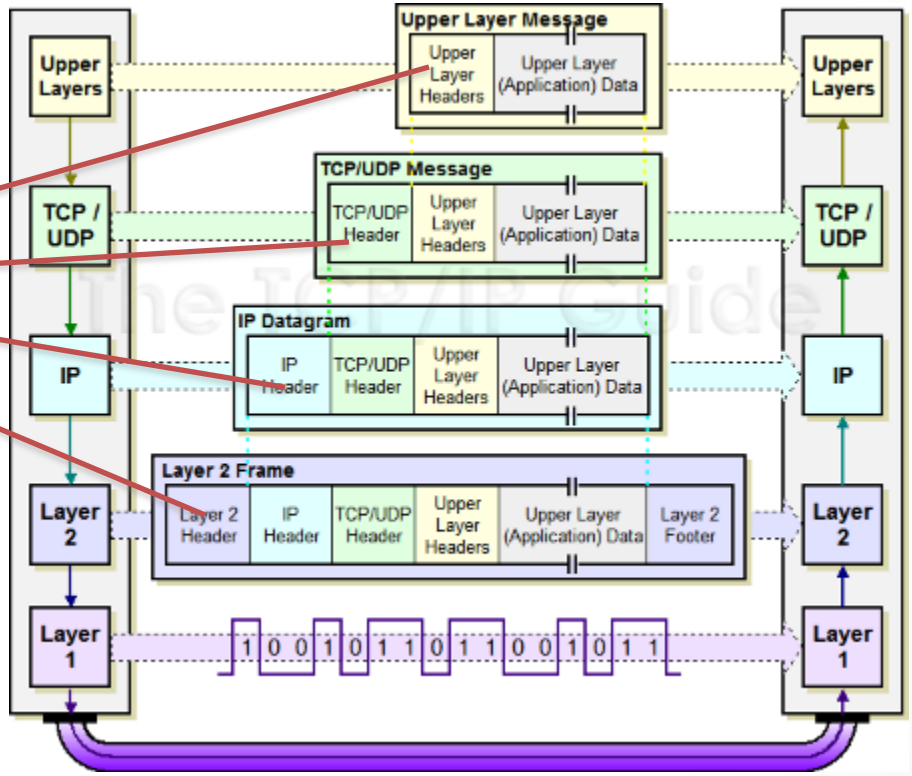
Overview of web page delivery

1. Web browser (client) translates name of the server to an IP address (e.g. 128.2.217.13) (using DNS)
2. Establishes a TCP connection to 128.2.217.13 port 80
3. Constructs a message

   GET /~15110/index.html HTTP/1.1
4. Sends the message using TCP/IP
5. Web server locates the page and sends it using services of TCP/IP
6. The connection is terminated

Layers and Encapsulation

Headers added by sender



Headers removed by receiver

Every protocol defines the layout of a *header*—a kind of envelope or *capsule* for a message

Peer-to-peer architectures

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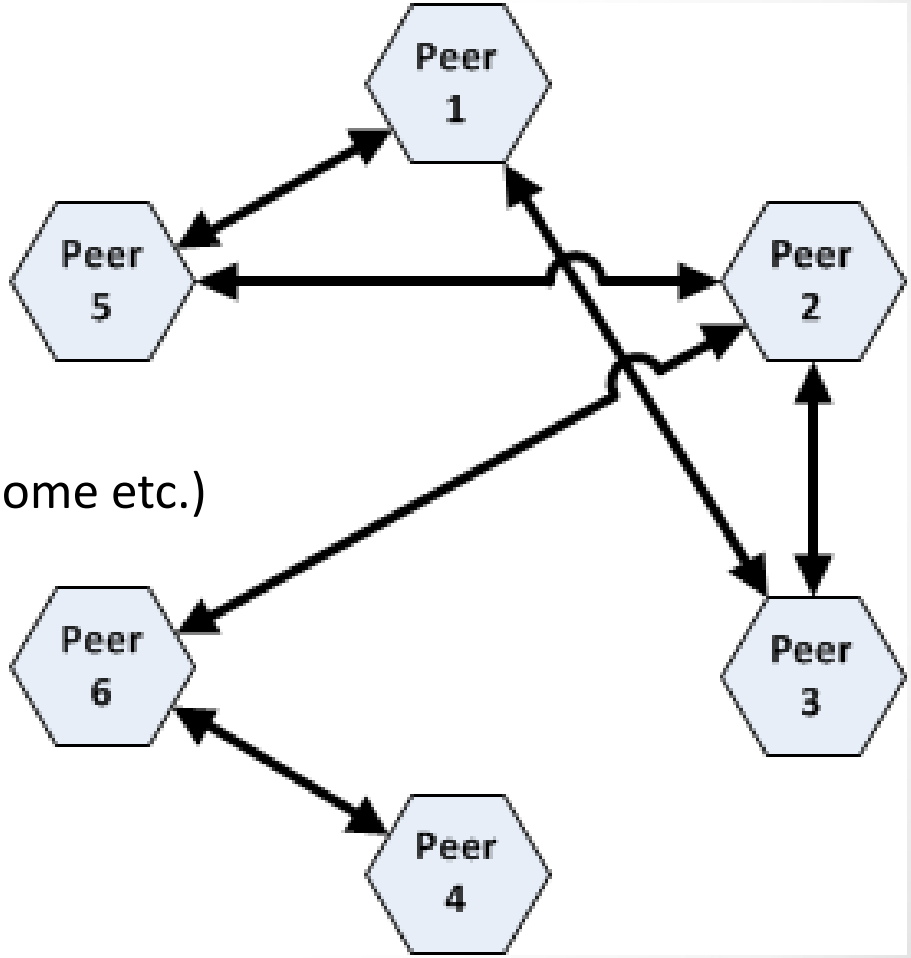
another widely used organizing principle for Internet applications

Peer-to-peer architecture

- Alternative to client-server
- Applications:
  - file sharing (BitTorrent etc.)
  - streaming media (Skype etc.)
  - Bitcoin
  - volunteer computing (SETI@home etc.)



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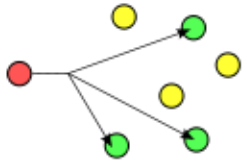
Streaming media

- One of the most demanding applications of the Internet
  - high bandwidth (lots of data really fast)
  - constant delivery rate to the user's screen (headphones, whatever)
  - reliable enough to create a seamless user experience
  - in *real time* for applications like videoconferencing

- *Remember, IP doesn't even guarantee that all packets sent will get there, or when!*

Technology to support streaming media

- Compression
  - reduces amount of data to be sent
- IP multicast
- Adaptive bitrate streaming
  - sends lower-quality images/sound in lower-speed conditions
- Content Delivery Network
  - spreads the work of sending the data over many machines
  - peer-to-peer



Summary

- Applications communicate on the Internet via ***application protocols*** like
  - HTTP for the web
  - SMTP for email
  - RTSP for streaming media
- **Application protocols** rely on
  - Domain Name Servers for name translation, and
  - *transport protocols* like
    - TCP for reliable two-way connections
    - UDP for one-way “datagrams”
- **Transport protocols** rely on IP for packet delivery

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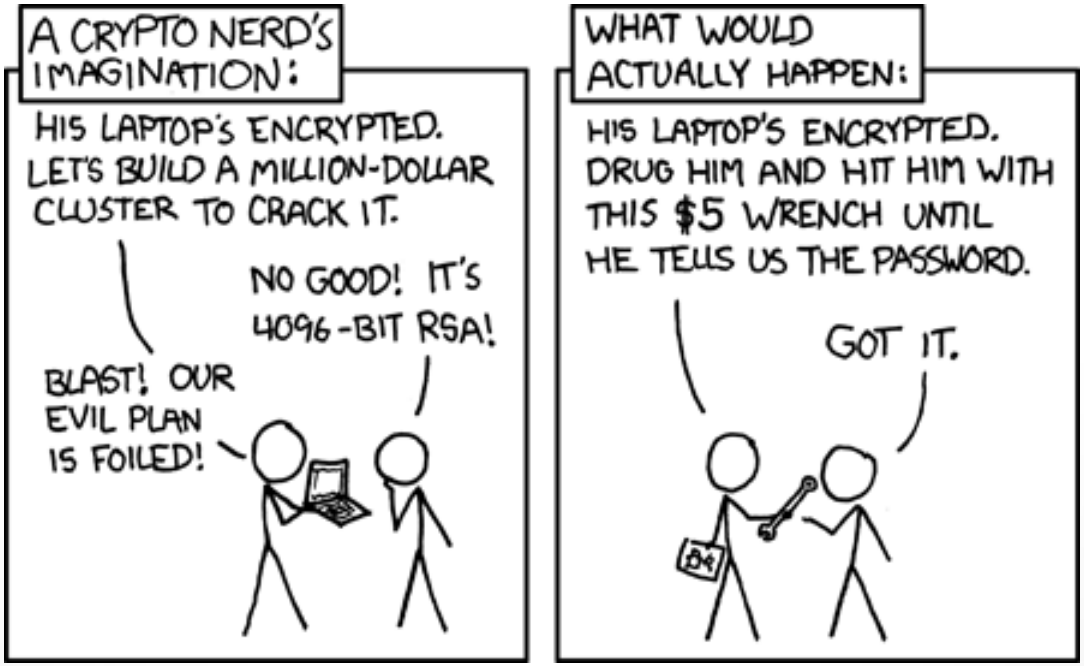
Network security and cryptography



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