



CSC4200/5200 – COMPUTER NETWORKING

NETWORK FUNDAMENTALS

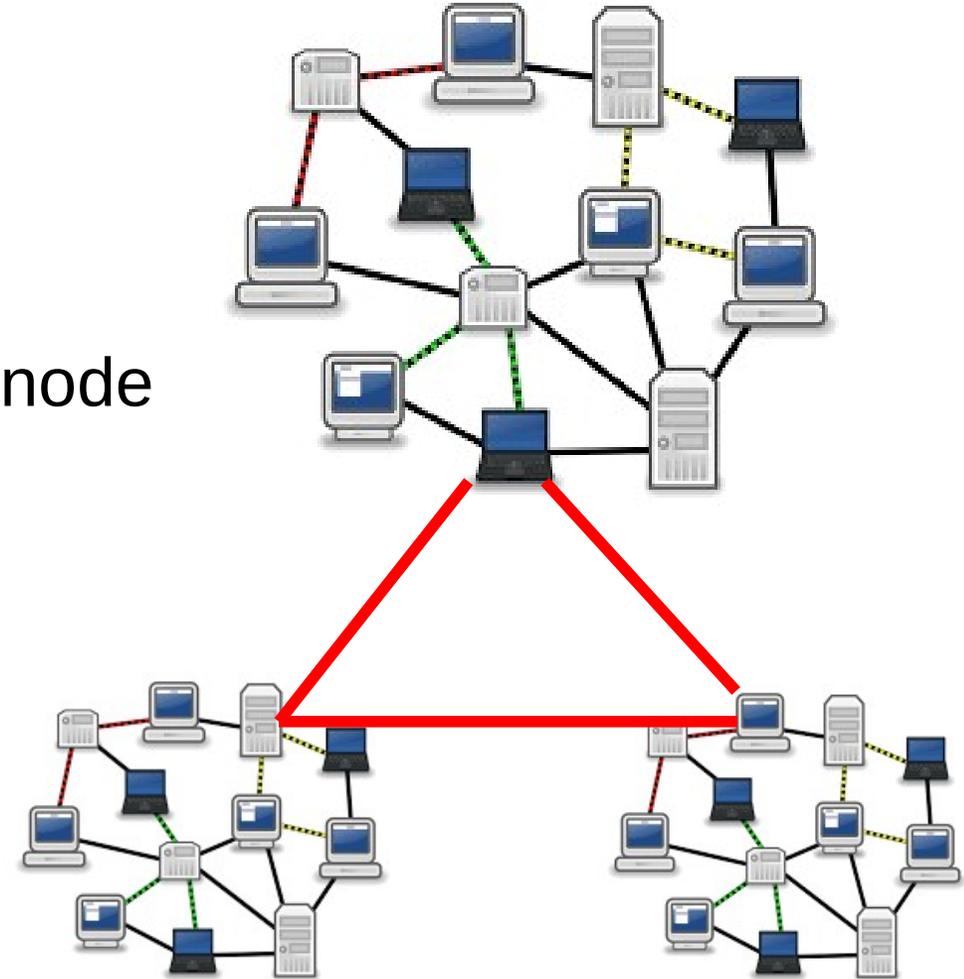
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Chapter 1: Fundamentals

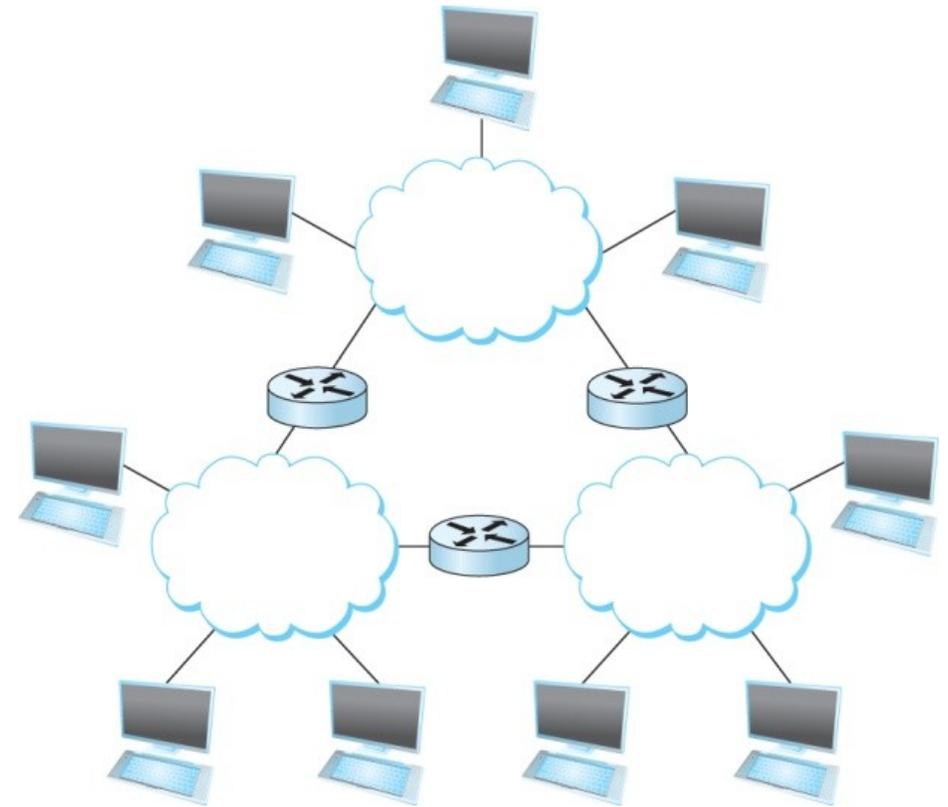
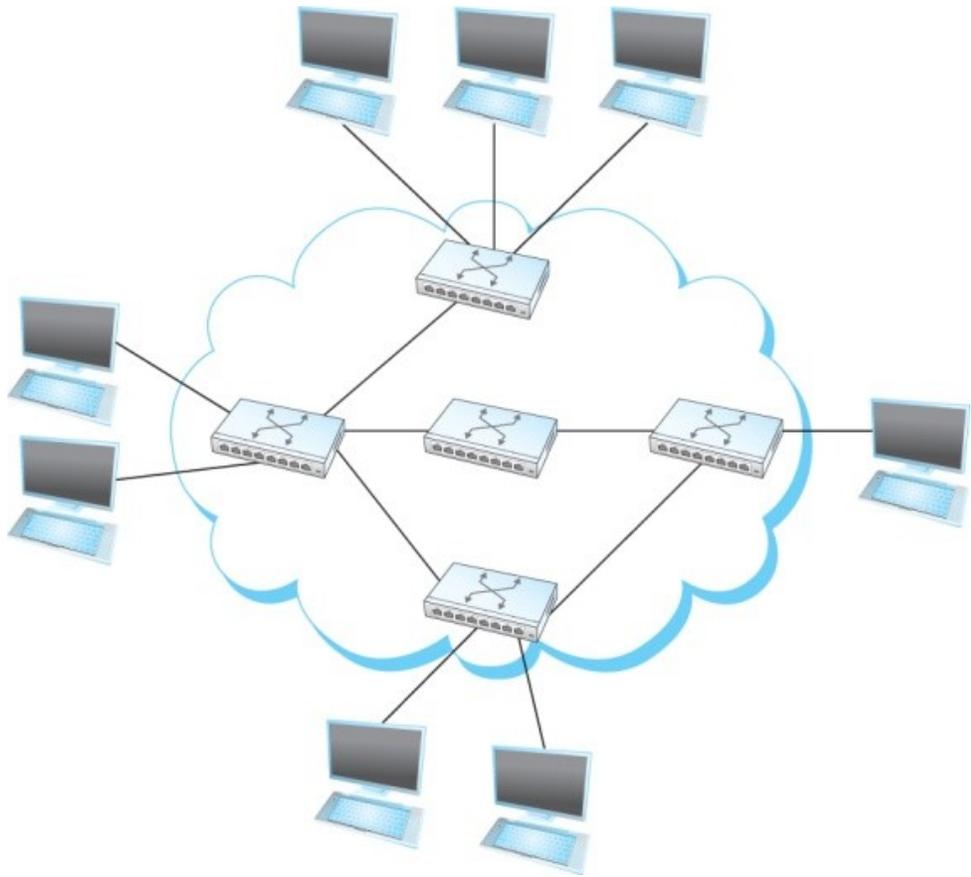
- Networking is ubiquitous
 - What did you use it for today?
- First things first:
 - Terminology
 - Basic tools
 - What does it take to build an Internet?

Links, Nodes, Network, Internet

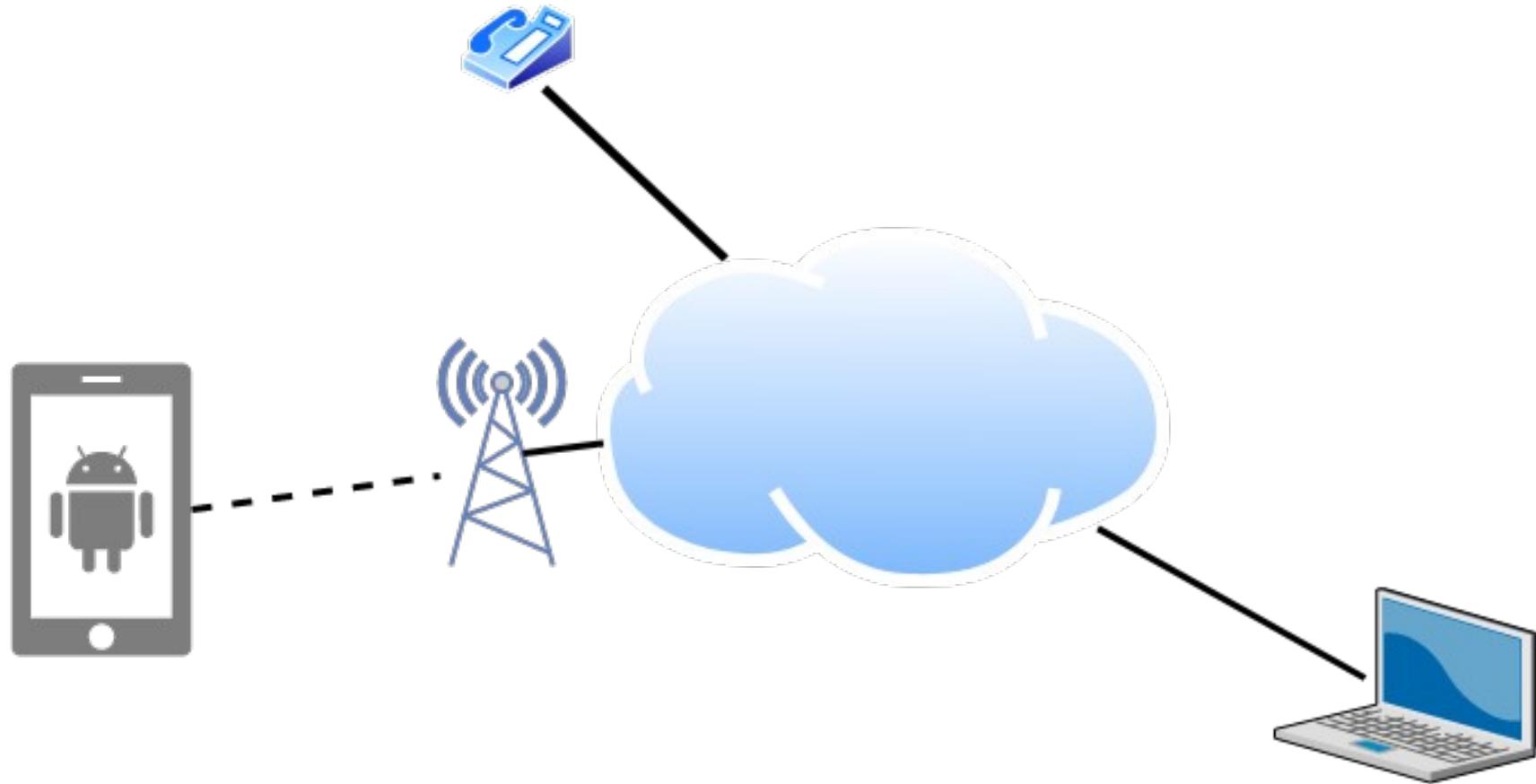
- You can view the network as a graph
- Each device (a phone, a computer) is a node
- Each connection is a link
 - Wires = real links
 - Bluetooth, Radio, Infrared = virtual links
- Nodes + links = a network
 - Many connected networks = Internet



A Network and the Internet



Links, Nodes, Routers, Switches

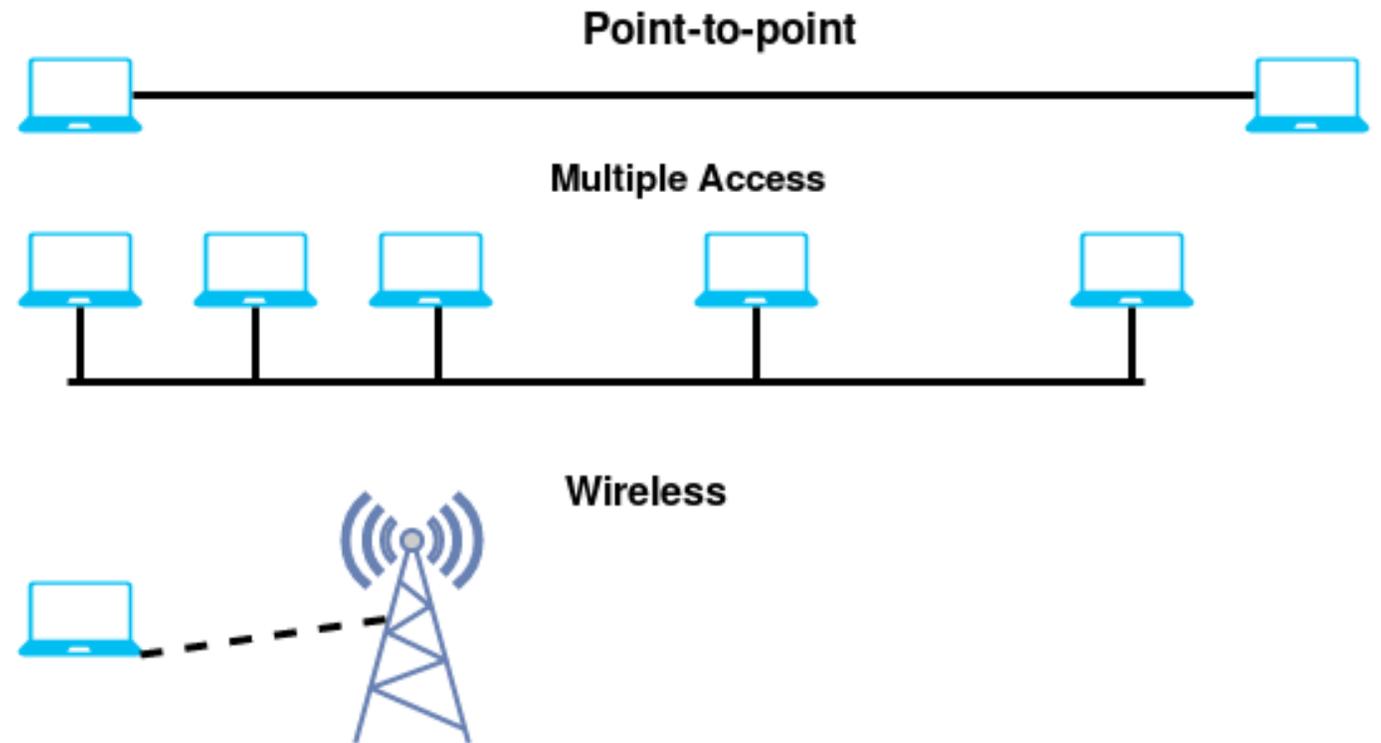


Client and Server

- My laptop with a browser = client
 - It requests a service
 - Email, chat, video, youtube
- A node running a program that serves the requests = server
 - Runs a service
 - Chat, video, messaging
- A node can both be a client and a server

Connectivity

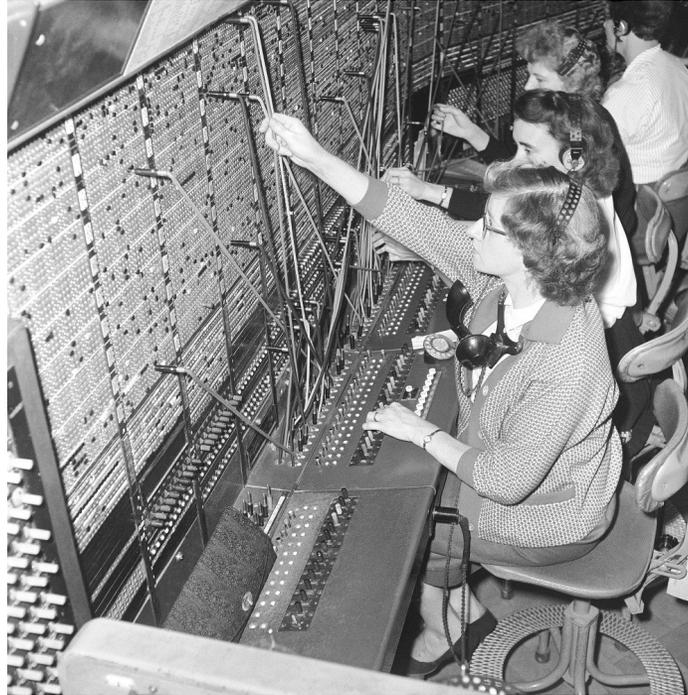
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- Point-to-Point
- Multiple access
- Wireless



Circuit Switching – Old telephone networks



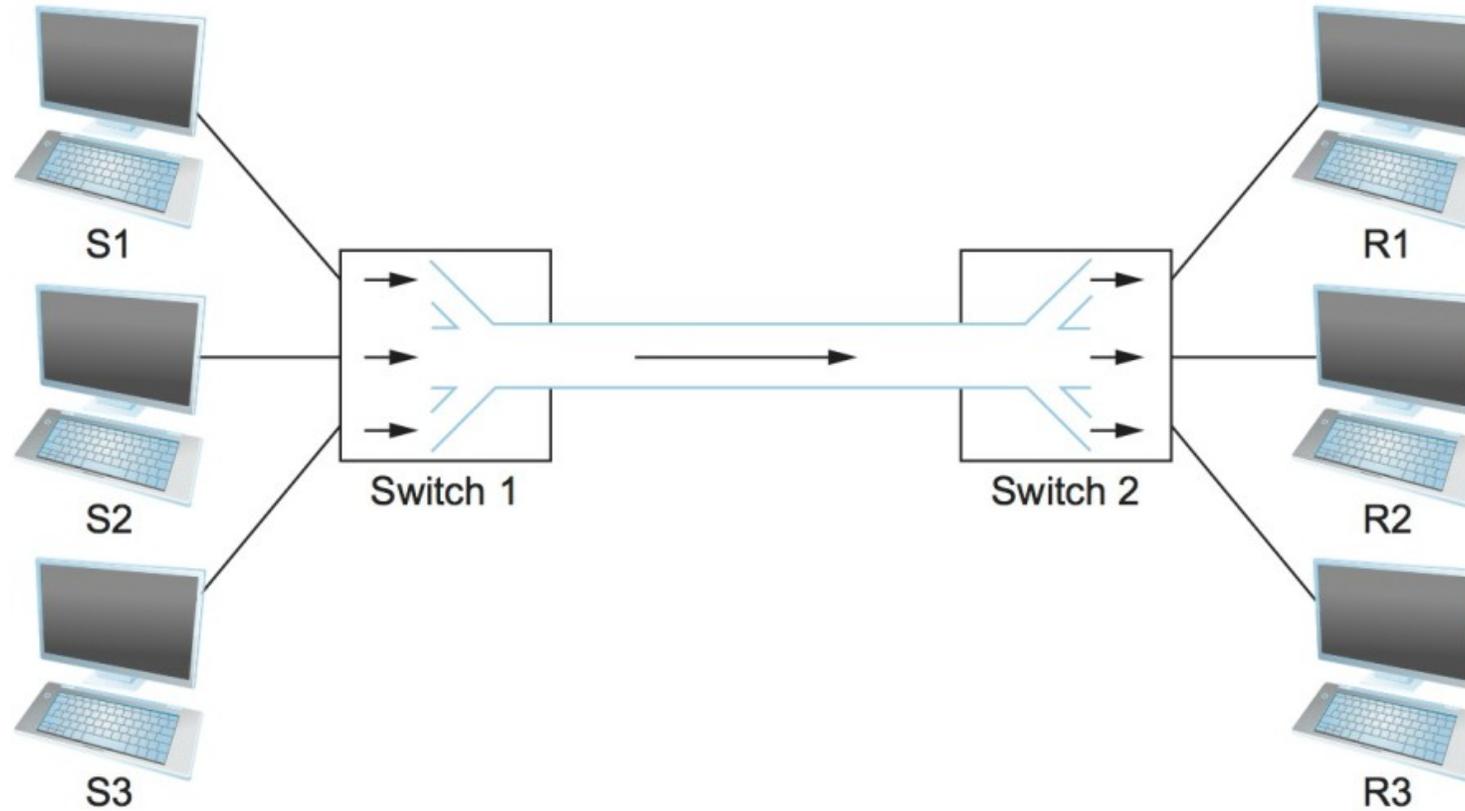
Operator, get me
the navy



- Build physical wire:
 - Guaranteed resources
 - Great for voice

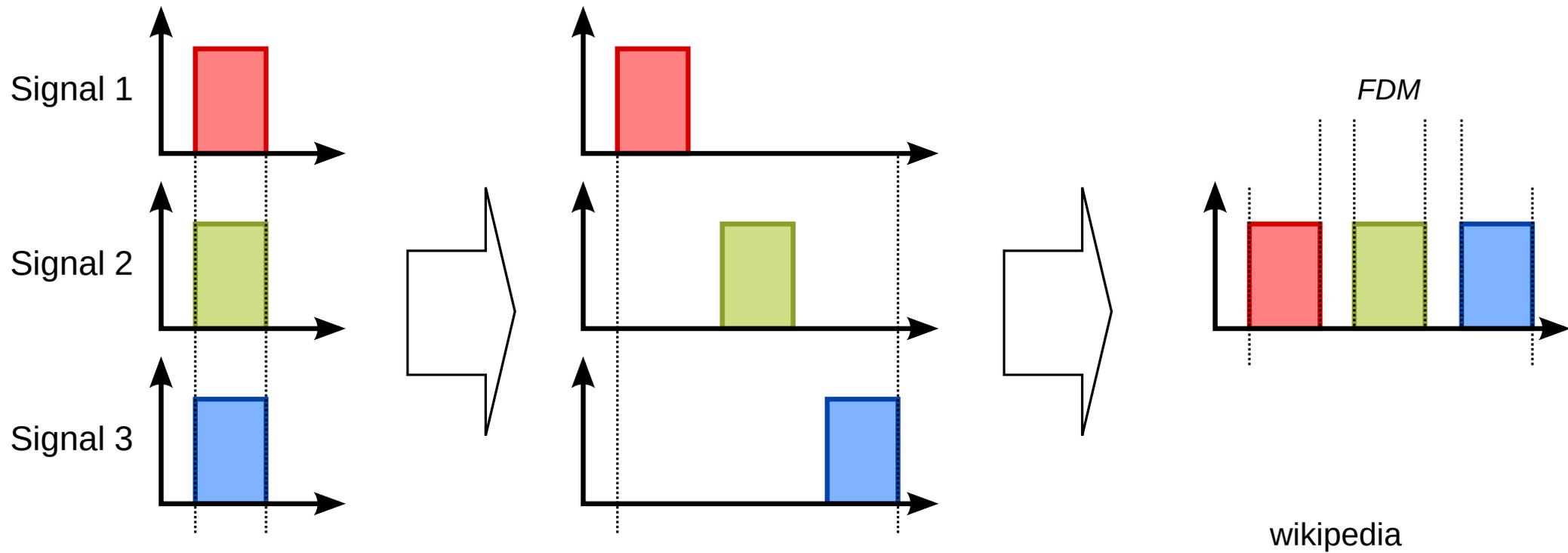
Why change a working system?

Circuit Switching



What are the problems?

Frequency Division Multiplexing for Circuit Switching

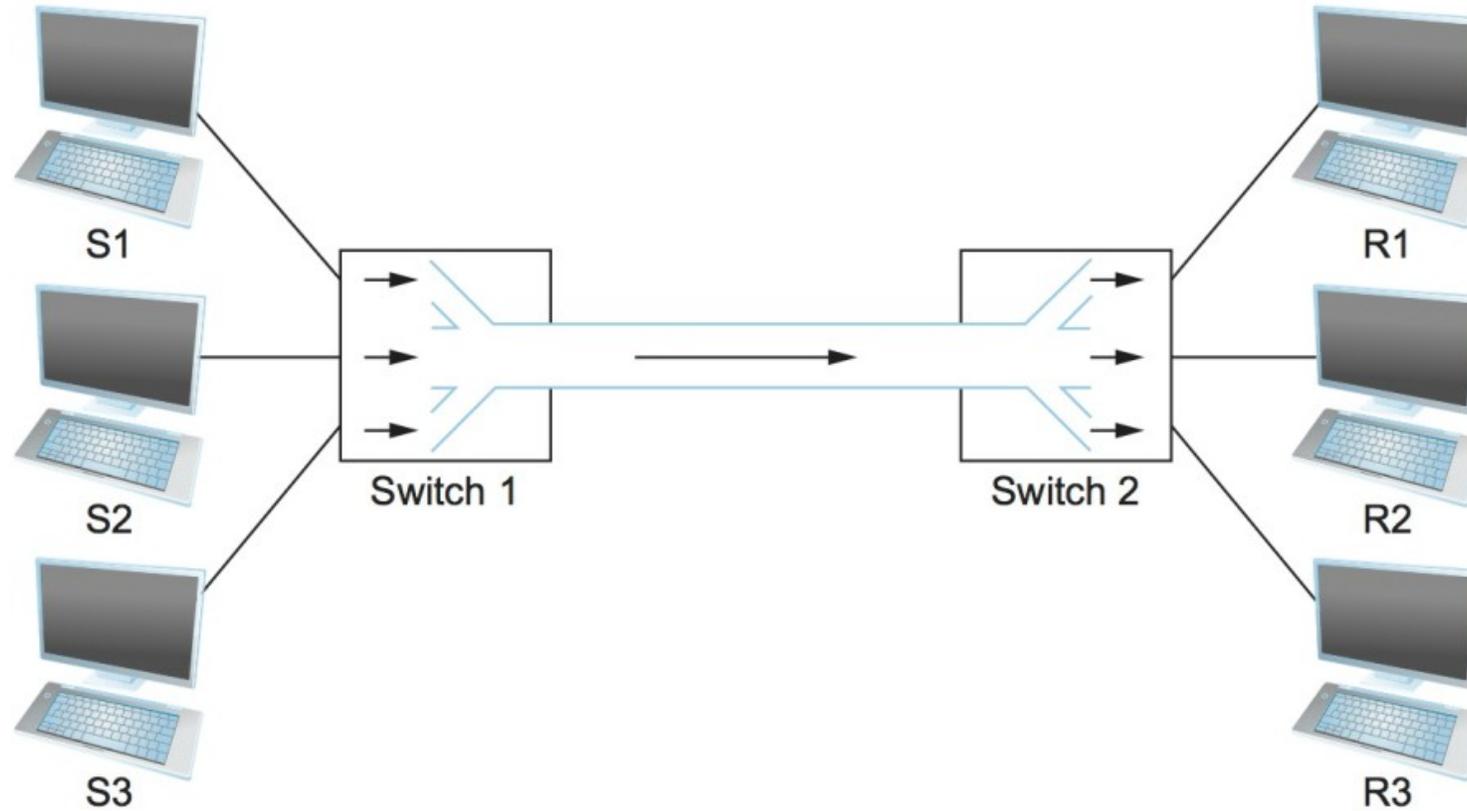


Time Division Multiplexing for Circuit Switching



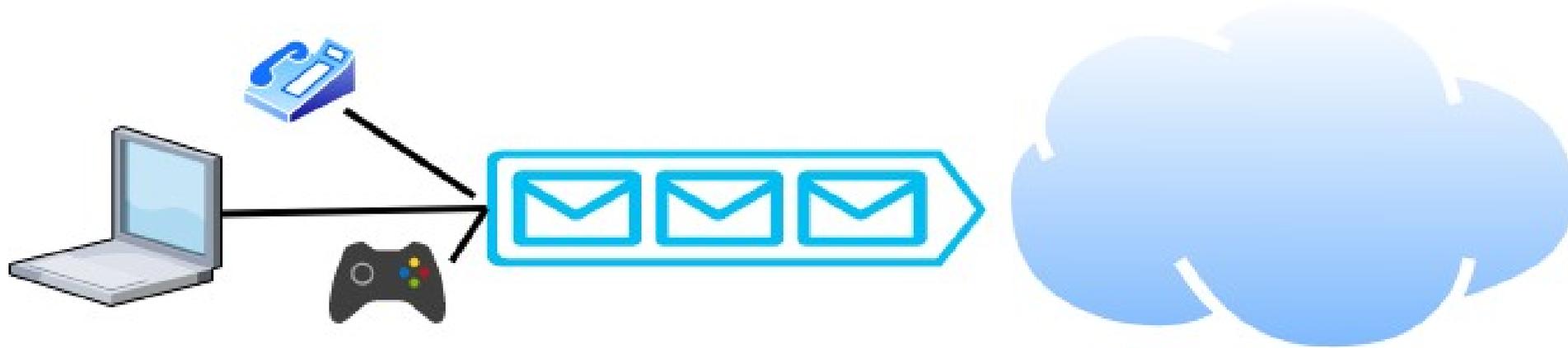
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Circuit Switching – TDM and FDM



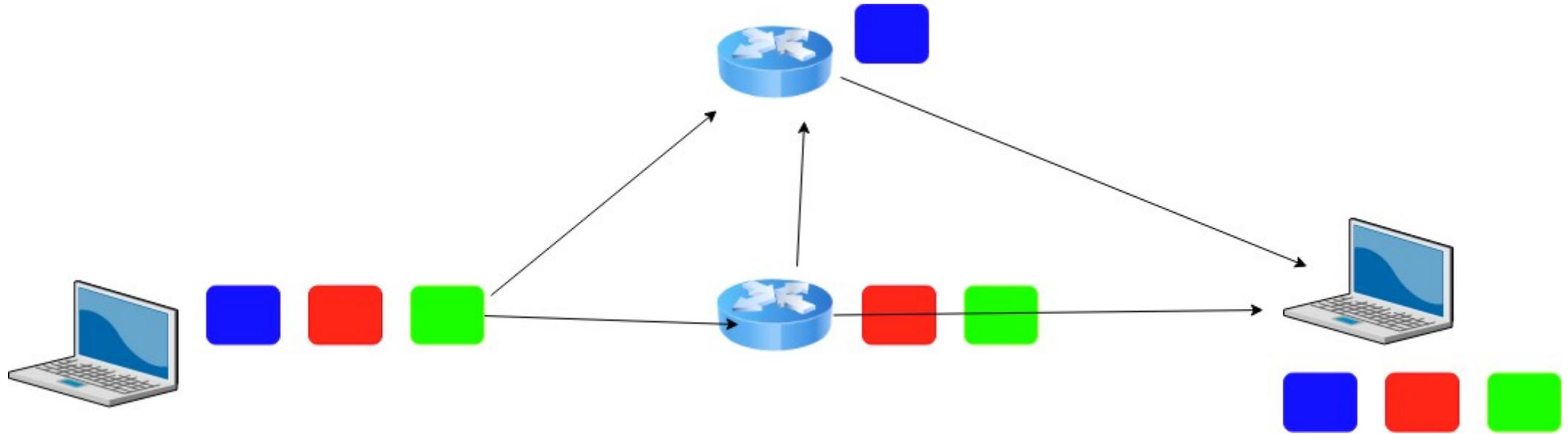
Problems solved? Or do they still exist?

Packet Switching

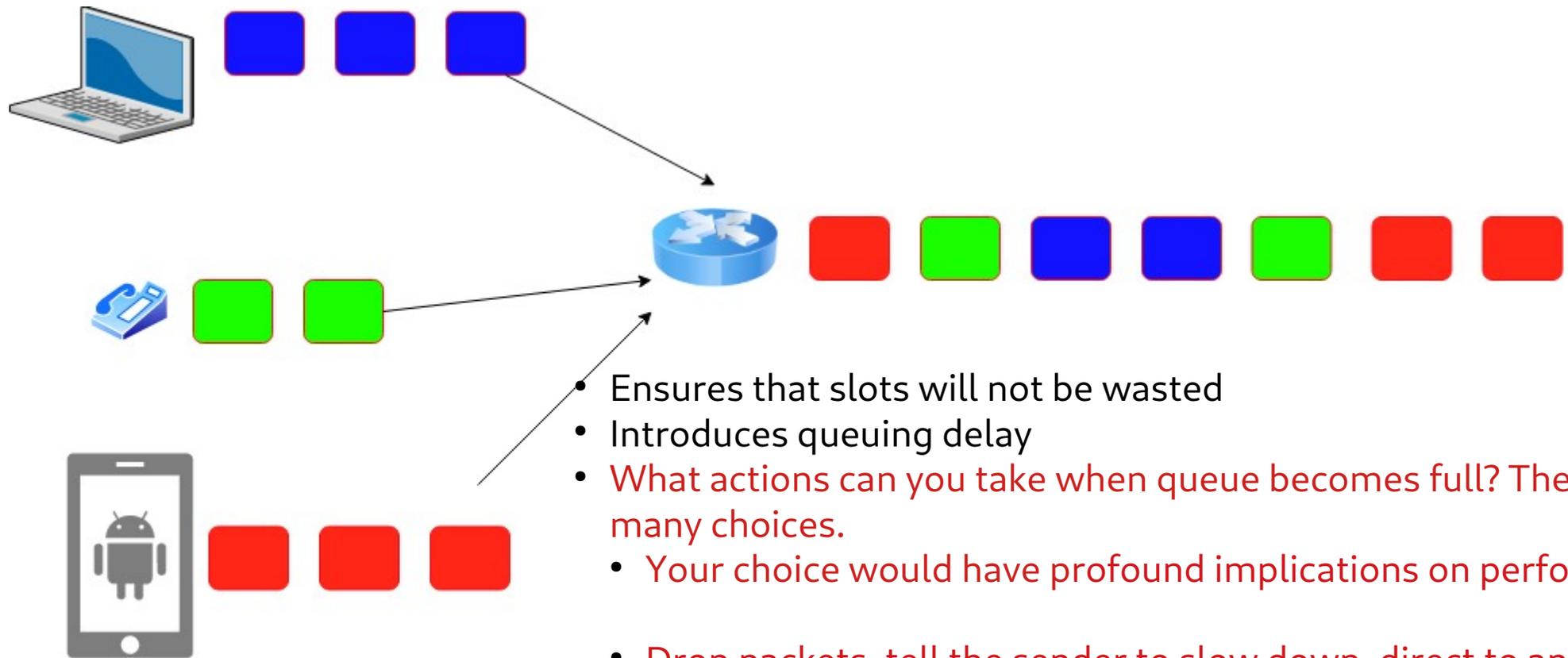


- Packets are low level components
- Multiple kind of traffic with different requirements
 - Gaming vs Phone
- Dumb network – How do you ensure quality of service?
- End points must be smart

Packet Switching

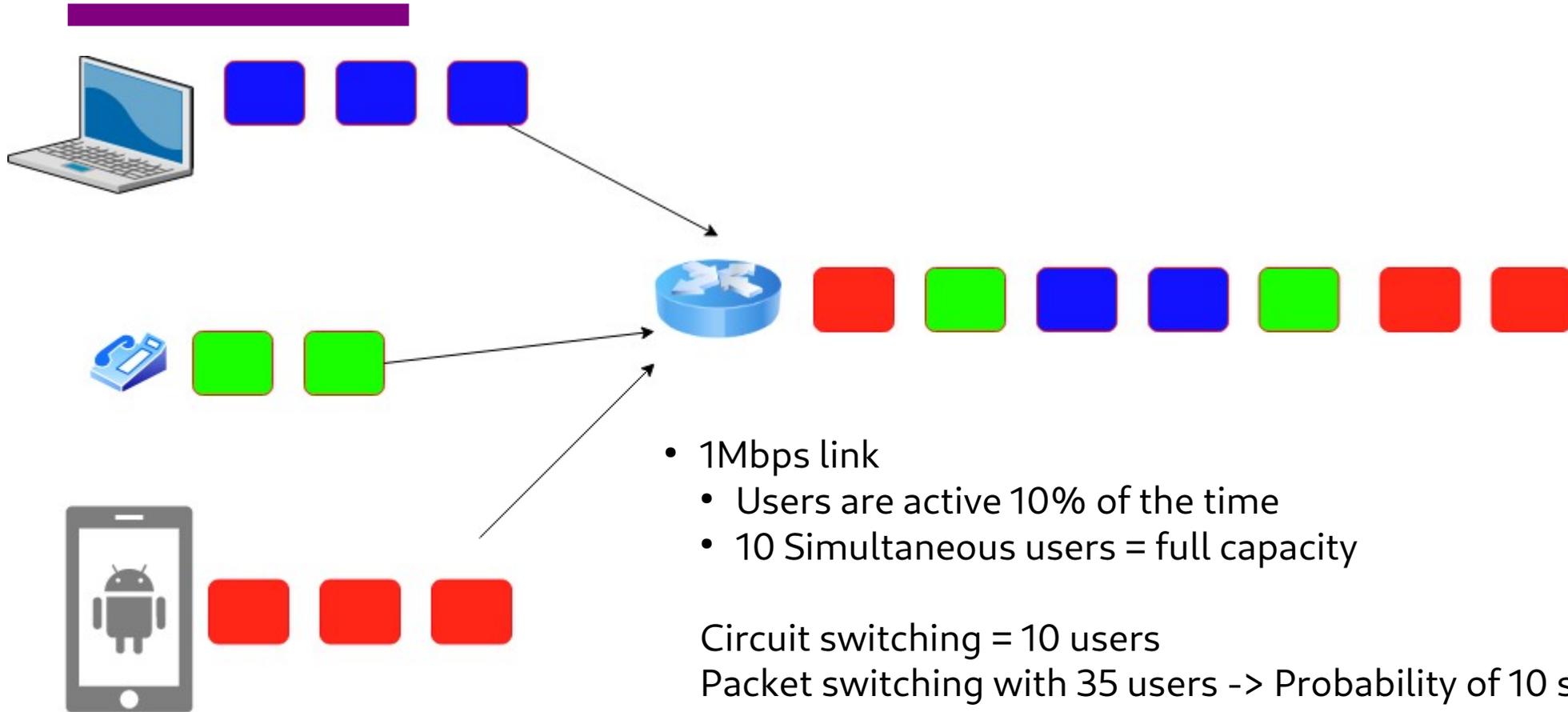


Statistical Multiplexing for Packet Switching



- Ensures that slots will not be wasted
- Introduces queuing delay
- **What actions can you take when queue becomes full? There may be many choices.**
 - Your choice would have profound implications on performance
- Drop packets, tell the sender to slow down, direct to another routers

How many users can you support?



- 1Mbps link
 - Users are active 10% of the time
 - 10 Simultaneous users = full capacity

Circuit switching = 10 users

Packet switching with 35 users -> Probability of 10 sim. Users < 0.0004

<https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/918861/probability-problem-in-networking>

Circuit vs Packet Switching

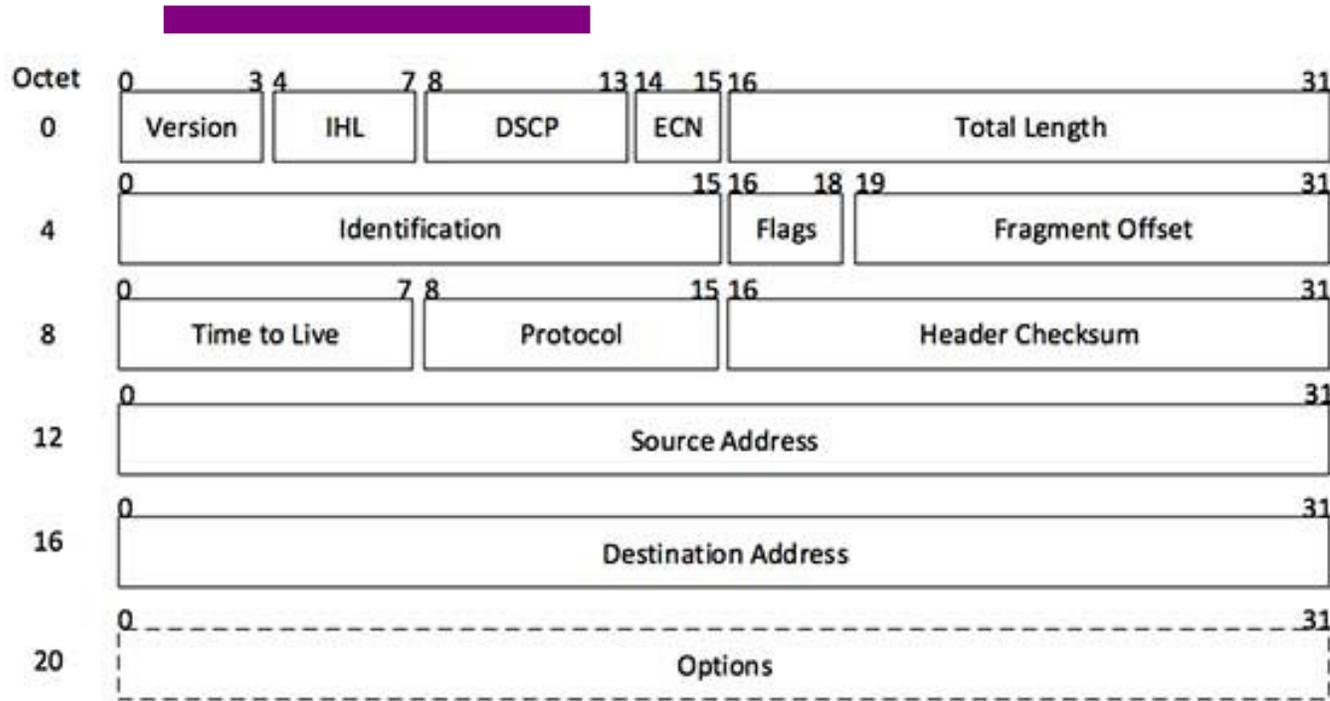
Circuit Switching

- Dedicated resource divided among participants
- Requires setup, guaranteed performance (unless the link breaks)

Packet Switching

- Shared resource
- Use small chunks of data (packets), send as soon as possible
- Store-and-forward packets

But What is a Packet?

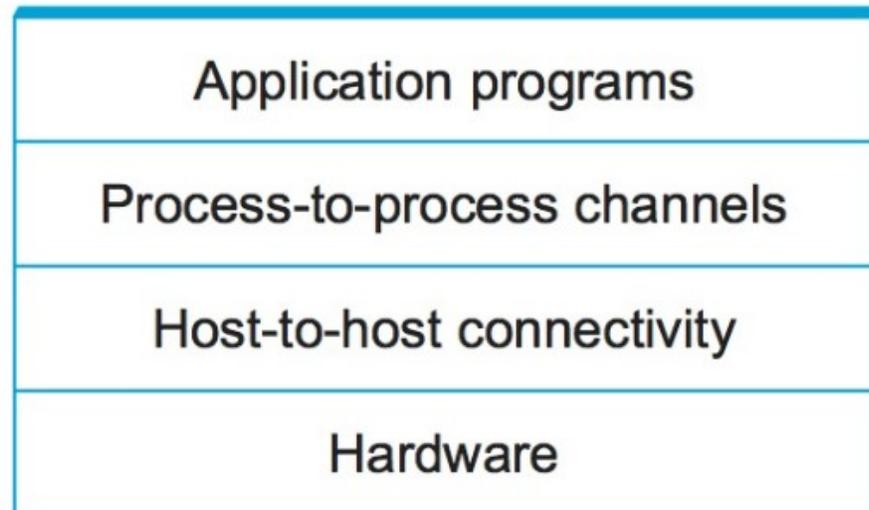


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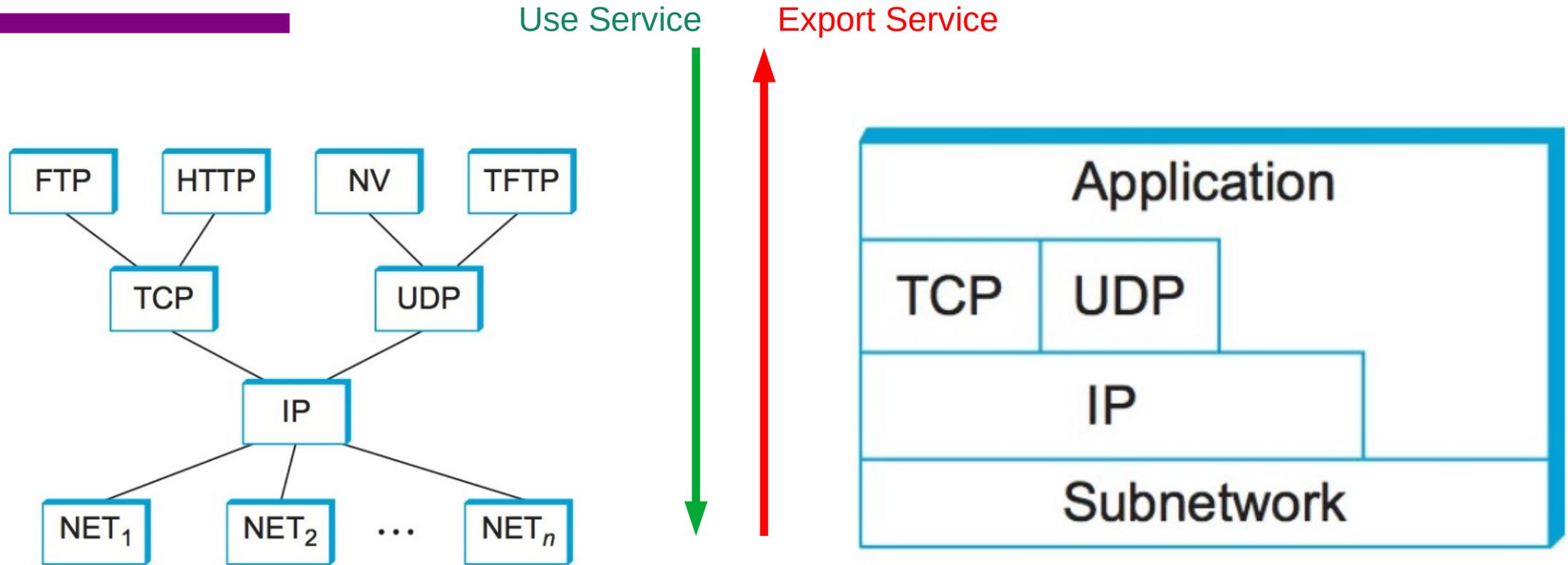
- Self-contained data unit
- Has two parts (generally)
 - Control information
 - Payload
- How do we transmit “Hello World?”
- How do we transmit a dictionary?

Network Architecture

- What are the requirements from a network?
- Architecture = High-level blueprint
 - Protocols = Building blocks of the architecture
 - Layering = Break down the problem in smaller pieces



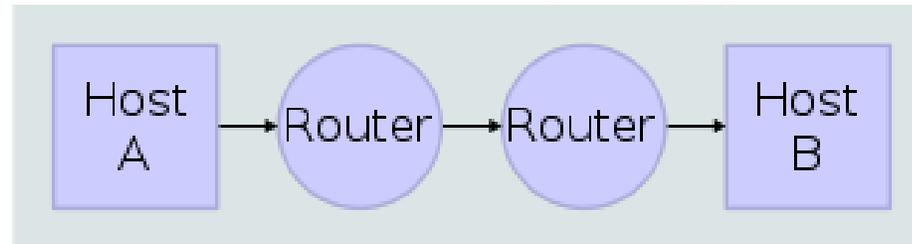
Network Layers



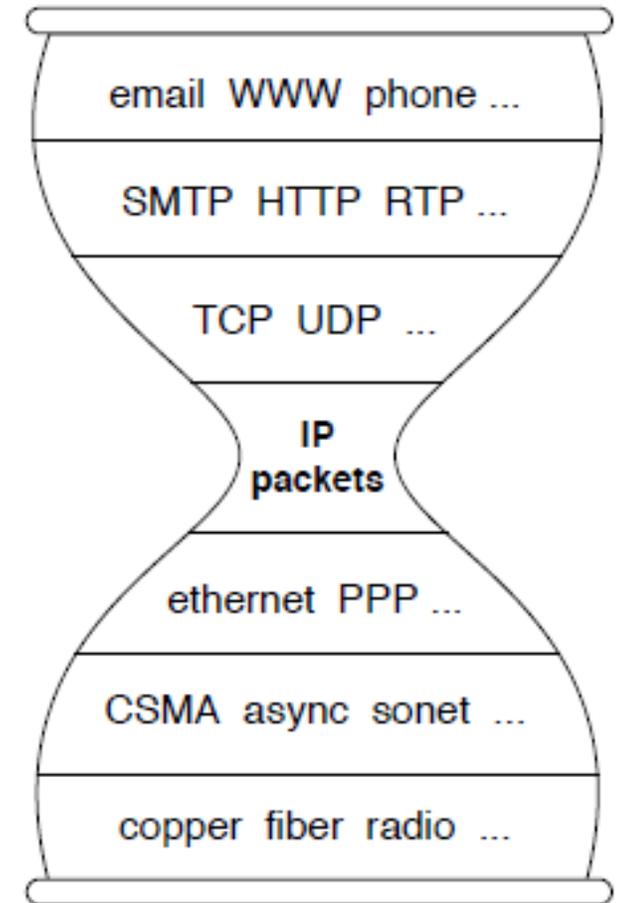
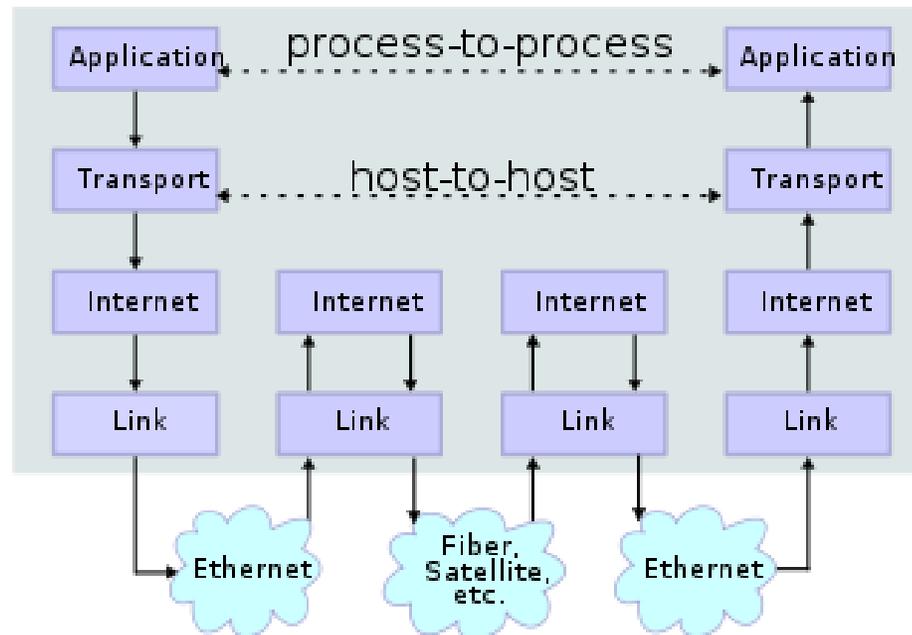
- Makes it easier to divide functionality
- Hides implementation details
- Few other reasons?

IP Suite

Network Topology



Data Flow



We reject kings, presidents, and voting. We believe in rough consensus and running code. (David Clark, IETF, July 1992)

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Reading Assignment

- Read the overview of Chapter 1 - “Problem: Building a Network”
 - <https://book.systemsapproach.org/foundation/problem.html#problem-building-a-network>
 - **About 5 minutes**
- Read Chapter 1.2
 - <https://book.systemsapproach.org/foundation/architecture.html#architecture>
 - **About 45 minutes**
- Reach Chapter 1.3
 - <https://book.systemsapproach.org/foundation/architecture.html#architecture>
 - **About 45 minutes**