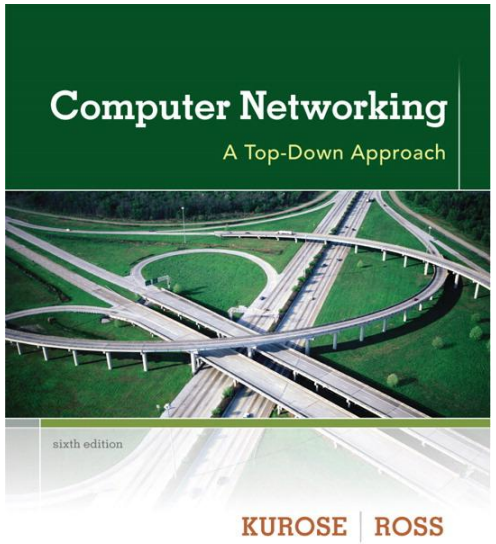
Chapter 1 Introduction



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Chapter 1: introduction

our goal:

- get "feel" and terminology
- more depth, detail *later* in course
- approach:
  - use Internet as example

overview:

- what's the Internet?
- what's a protocol?
- network edge; hosts, access net, physical media
- network core: packet/circuit switching, Internet structure
- performance: loss, delay, throughput
- security
- protocol layers, service models
- history

Chapter 1: roadmap

1.1 what *is* the Internet?

1.2 network edge

- end systems, access networks, links

1.3 network core

- packet switching, circuit switching, network structure

1.4 delay, loss, throughput in networks

1.5 protocol layers, service models

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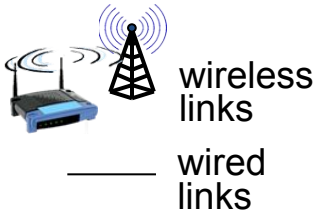
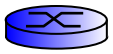
What's the Internet: "nuts and bolts" view

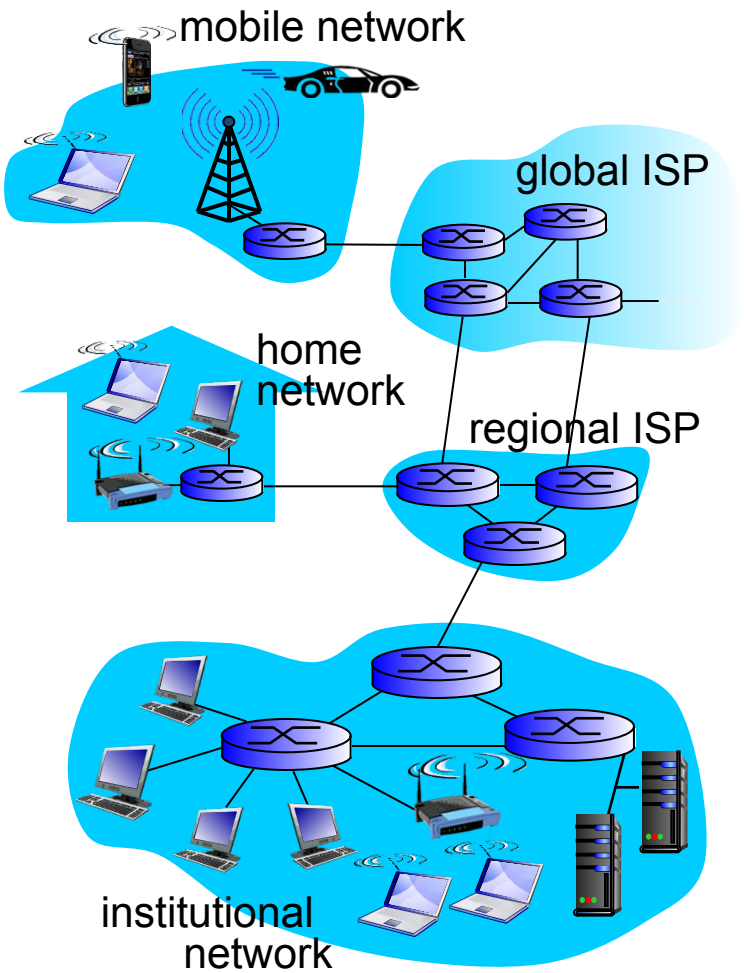
- millions of connected computing devices:
  - *hosts* = *end systems*
  - running *network apps*



- *communication links*
  - fiber, copper, radio, satellite
  - transmission rate: *bandwidth*



- *Packet switches:* forward packets (chunks of data)
  - *routers* and *switches*



"Fun" internet appliances

IP picture frame
http://www.ceiva.com/

Web-enabled toaster +
weather forecaster

Tweet-a-watt:
monitor energy use

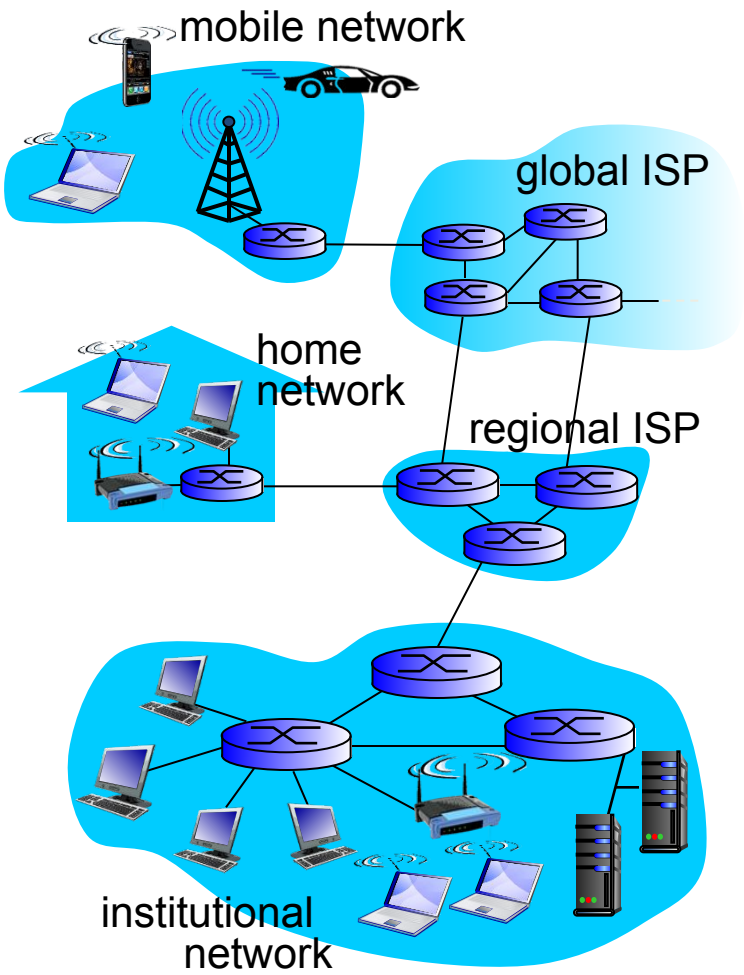
Internet
refrigerator

Slingbox: watch,
control cable TV remotely

Internet phones

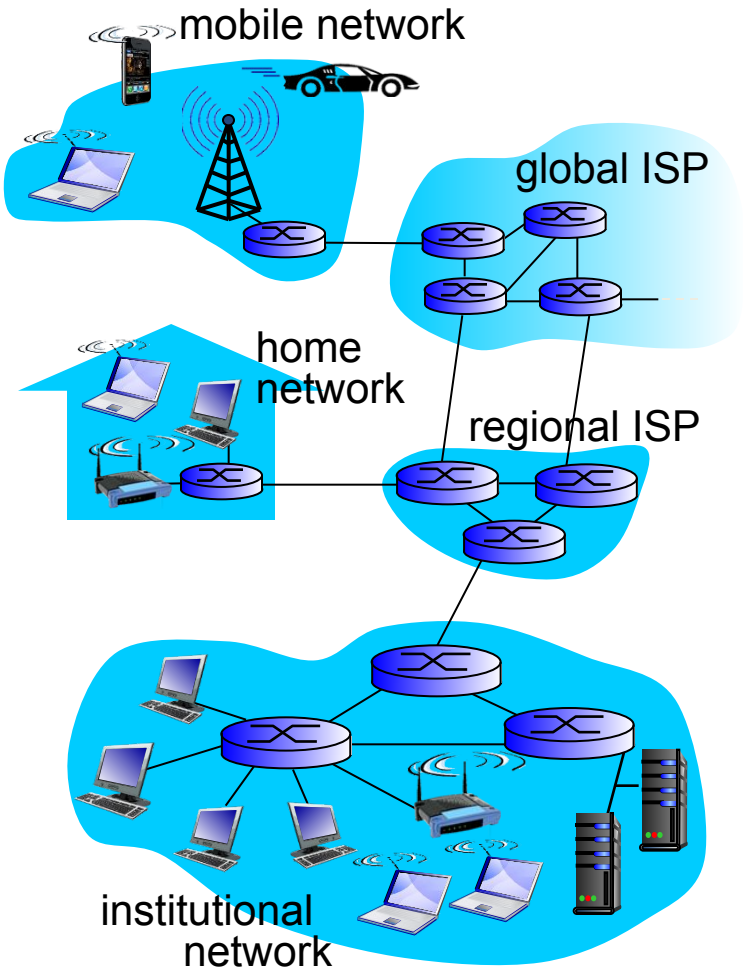
What's the Internet: "nuts and bolts" view

- *Internet:* "network of networks"
  - Interconnected ISPs
- *protocols* control sending, receiving of msgs
  - e.g., TCP, IP, HTTP, Skype, 802.11
- *Internet standards*
  - RFC: Request for comments
  - IETF: Internet Engineering Task Force



What's the Internet: a service view

- *Infrastructure that provides services to applications:*
  - Web, VoIP, email, games, e-commerce, social nets, …
- *provides programming interface to apps*
  - hooks that allow sending and receiving app programs to "connect" to Internet
  - provides service options, analogous to postal service



What's a protocol?

human protocols:

- "what's the time?"
- "I have a question"
- introductions

… specific msgs sent

… specific actions taken when msgs received, or other events

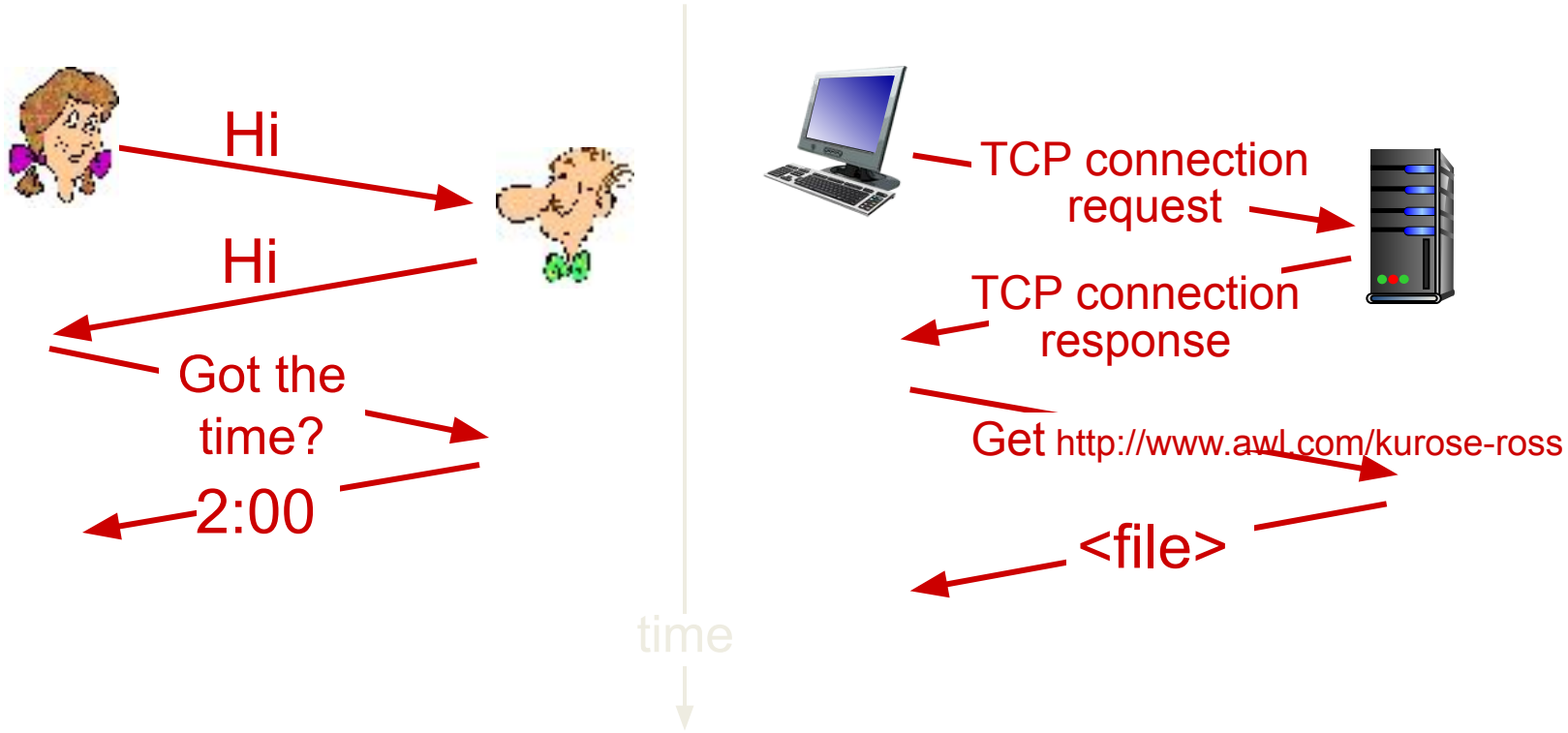
network protocols:

- machines rather than humans
- all communication activity in Internet governed by protocols

protocols define format, order of msgs sent and received among network entities, and actions taken on msg transmission, receipt

What's a protocol?

a human protocol and a computer network protocol:



Q: other human protocols?

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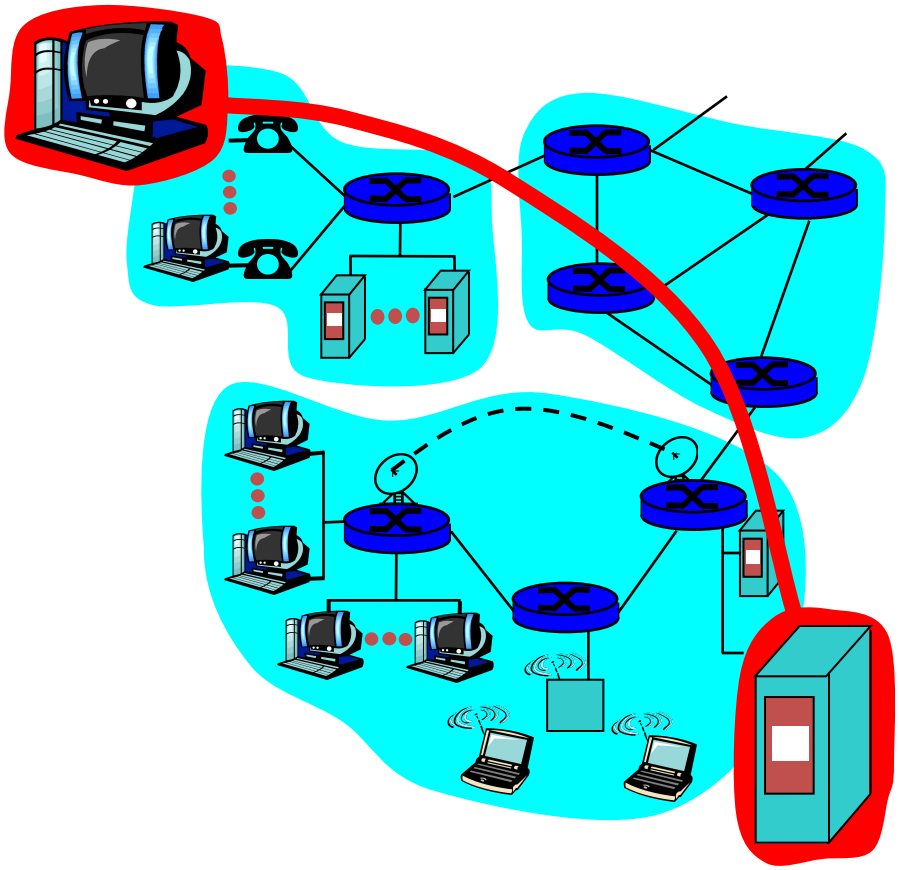
The network edge:

- end systems (hosts):
  - run application programs
  - e.g. Web, email
  - at "edge of network"
- client/server model
  - e.g. Web browser/server; email client/server
  - Distributed applications
- peer-peer model:
  - minimal (or no) use of dedicated servers
  - e.g. Skype, BitTorrent



Network edge: connection-oriented service

Goal: data transfer between end systems

- *handshaking:* setup a connection for data transfer ahead of time

- TCP - Transmission Control Protocol
  - Internet's connection-oriented service

TCP service [RFC 793]

- *reliable, in-order* byte-stream data transfer
  - loss: acknowledgements and retransmissions
- *flow control:*
  - sender won't overwhelm receiver
- *congestion control:*
  - senders "slow down sending rate" when network congested

Network edge: connectionless service

Goal: data transfer between end systems

- UDP - User Datagram Protocol [RFC 768]:
  - No handshaking – less work!
  - Less delay
  - Internet's connectionless service
    - unreliable data transfer
    - no flow control
    - no congestion control

TCP vs. UDP

App's using TCP:

- HTTP (Web), FTP (file transfer), Telnet (remote login), SMTP (email)

App's using UDP:

- streaming media, teleconferencing, DNS, Internet telephony, network games