

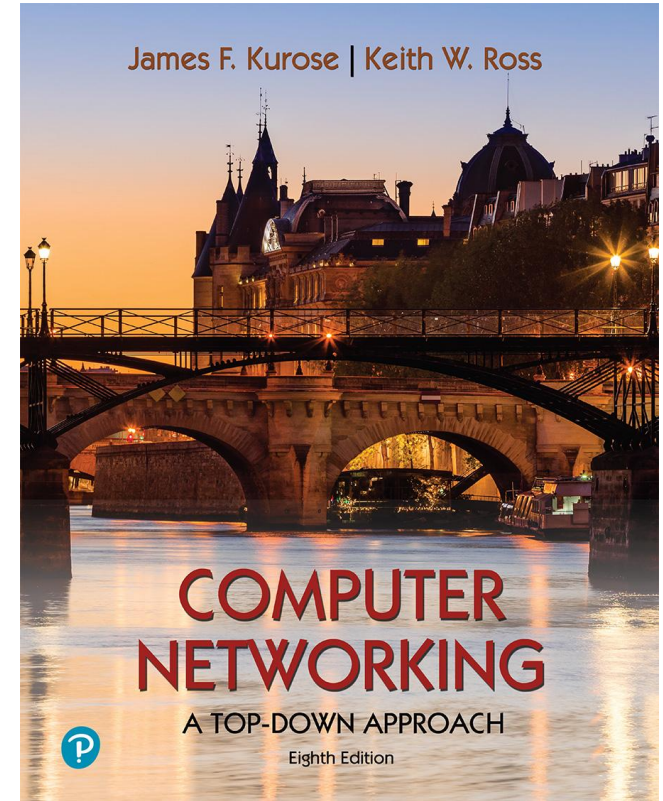
# Chapter 1

## Introduction

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Top-Down Approach*

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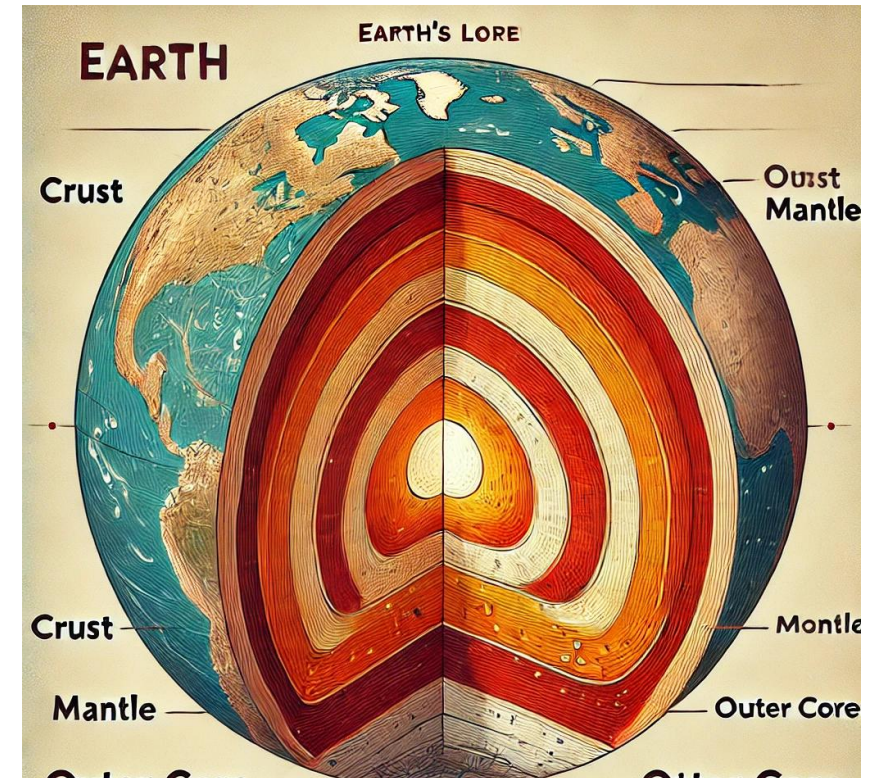
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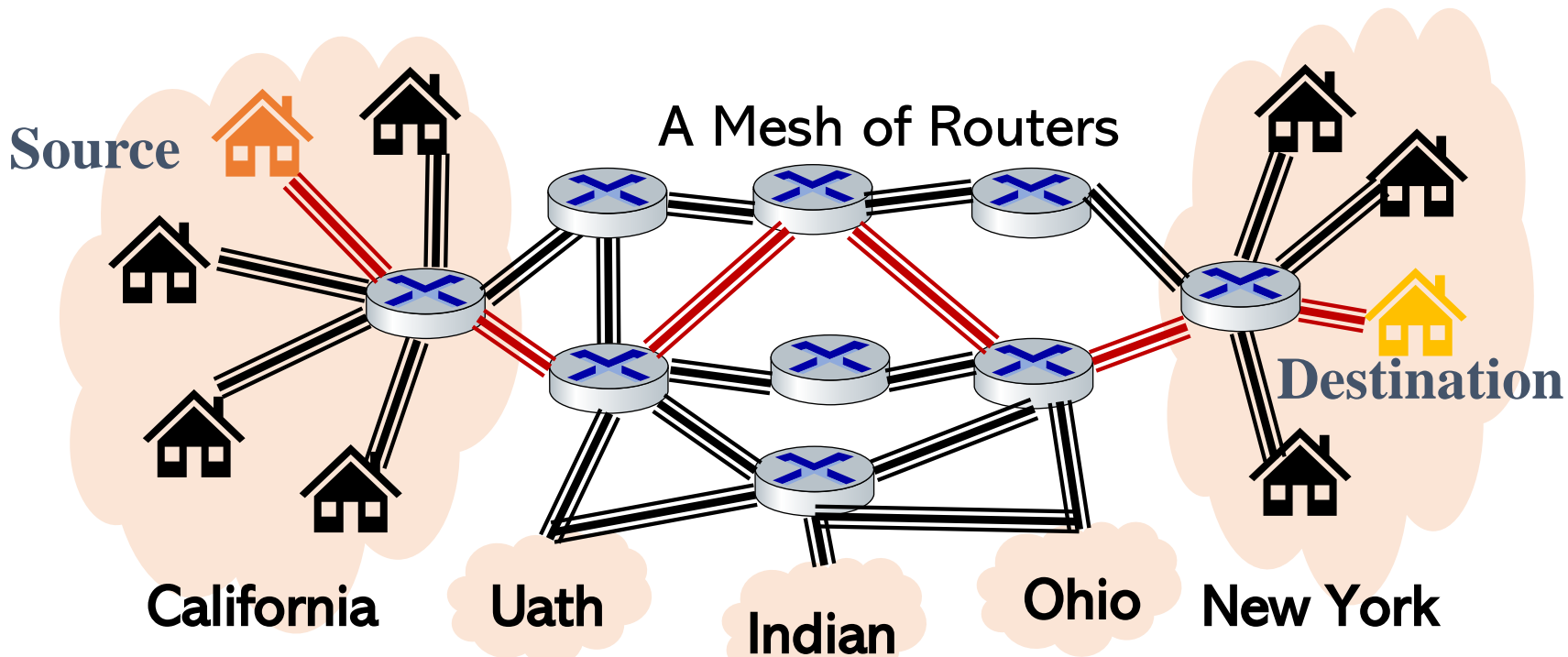
What's Layers in Computer Networks?  
Why we need layers?

# Layers in Computer Networks

- In computer networking, **layers** refer to different levels of **abstraction** that help in designing, implementing, and troubleshooting communication systems.
- The idea behind layering is to break down complex networking functions into smaller, manageable parts.
- Each layer performs a specific role and interacts with the layers directly above and below it.



# Example: Two types of Computer Networks

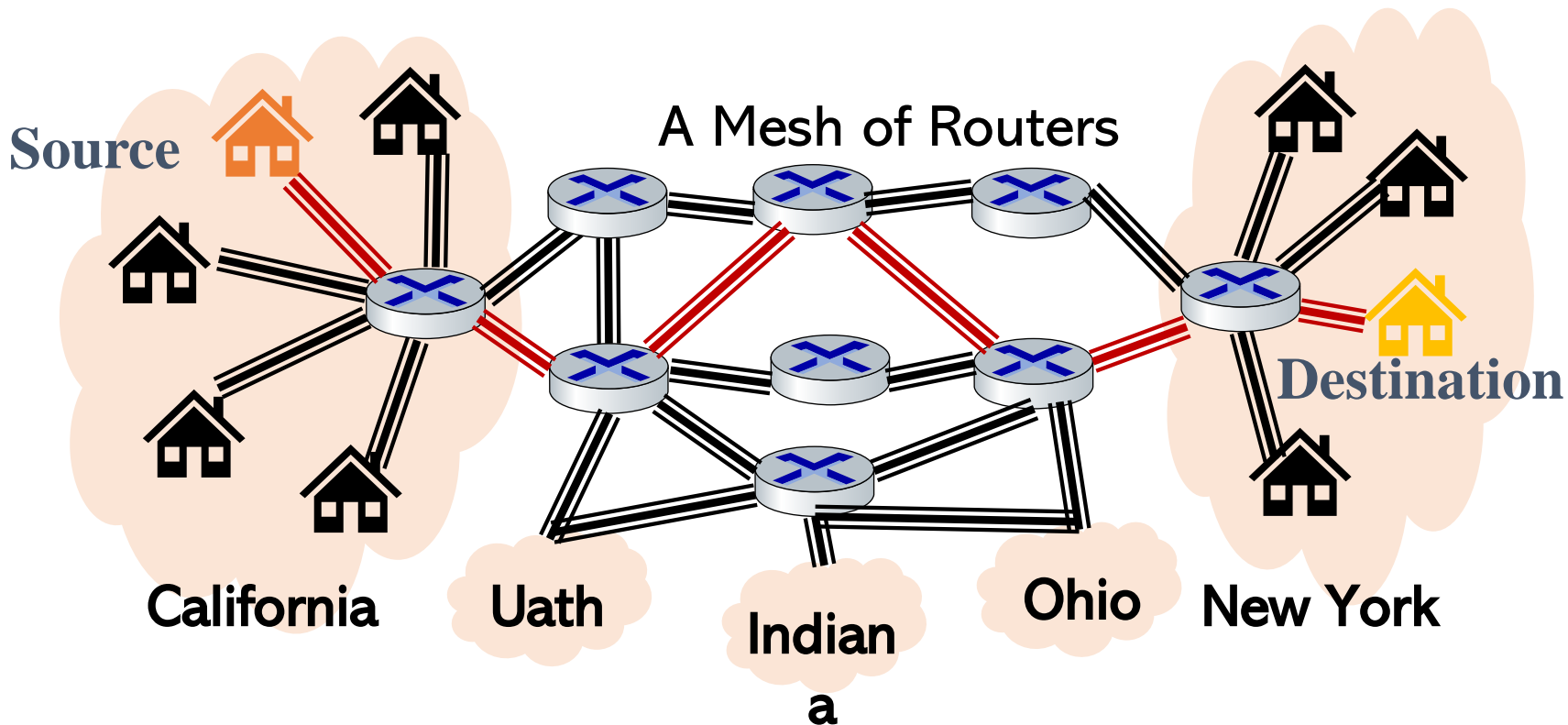


The Network ask: Give me

- Data you want to transmit
- The IP of the destination
- Which router the packet should travel
- What happens if the packets are dropped
- How should I tell you if the

Of course you can tell the network the answers after you taking this course 😊 !

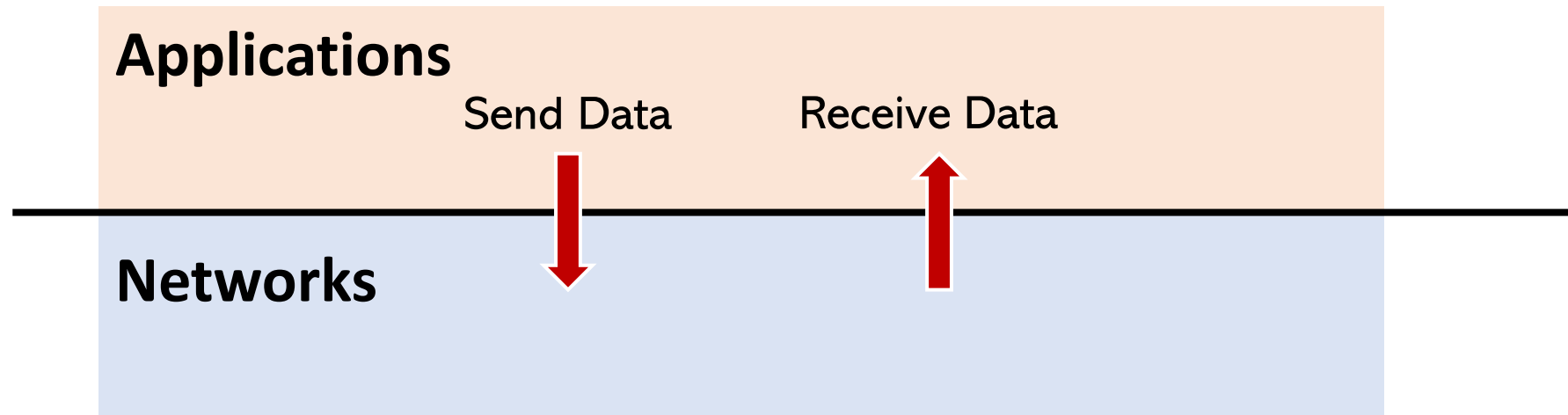
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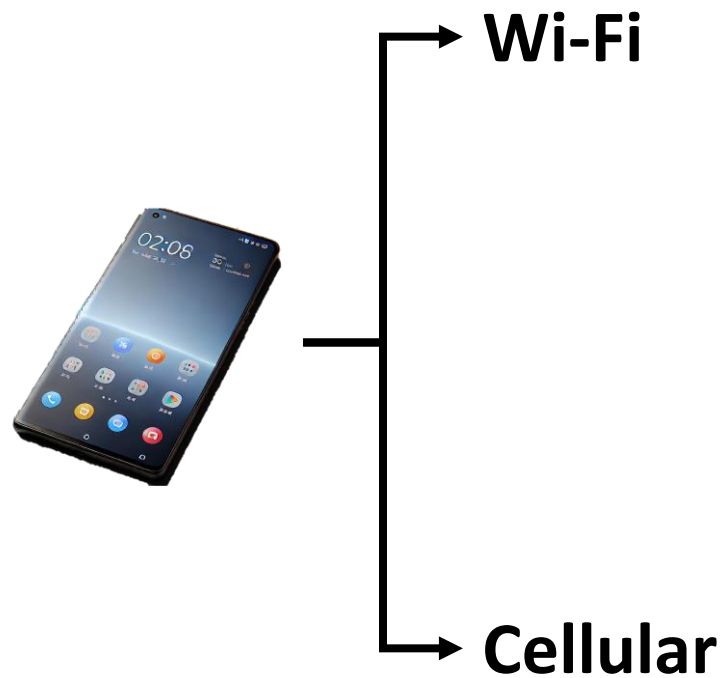
Another Network Says

- Don't worry, just give me the data and the destination I will handle the other things for you!

# Abstractions make things much simpler



# Example: Program Developing



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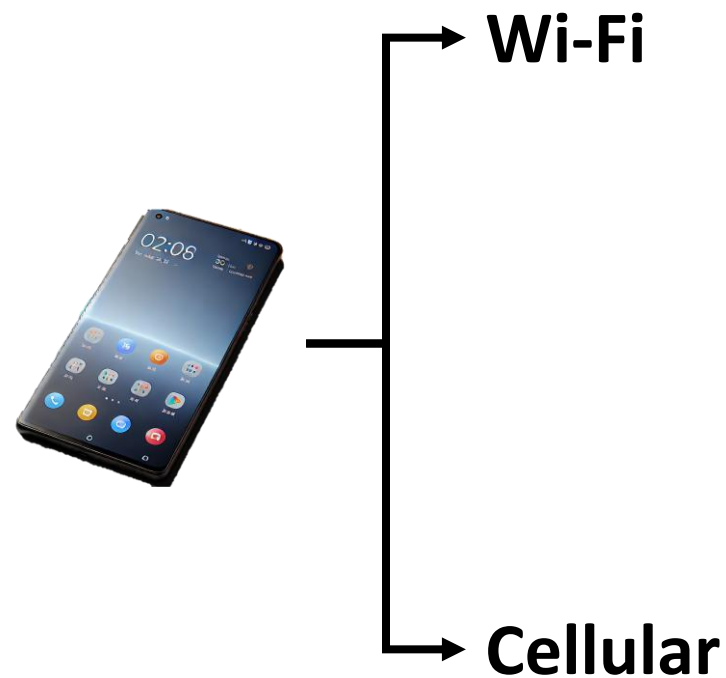
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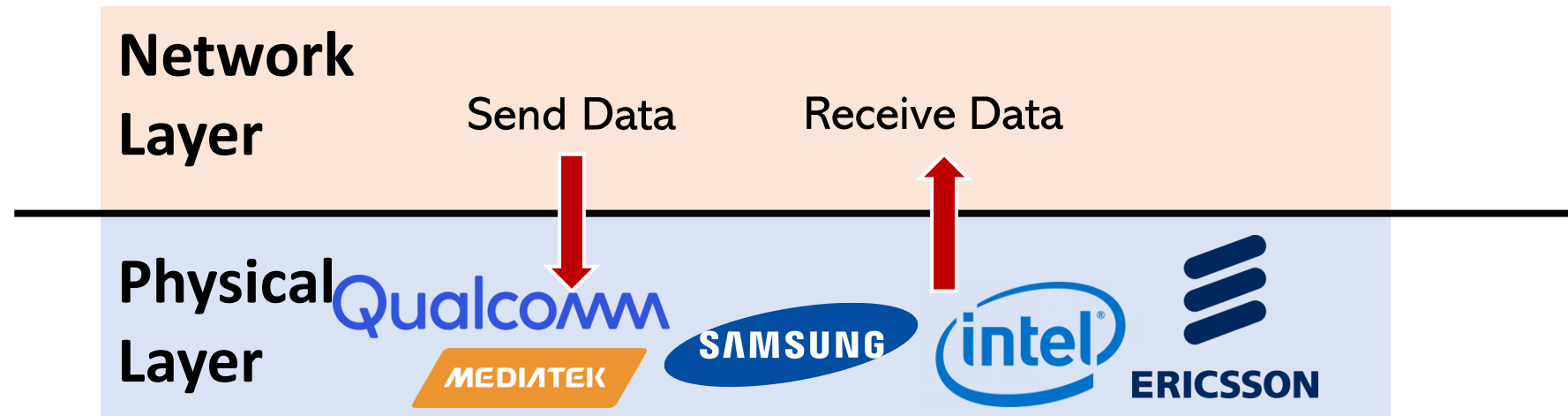


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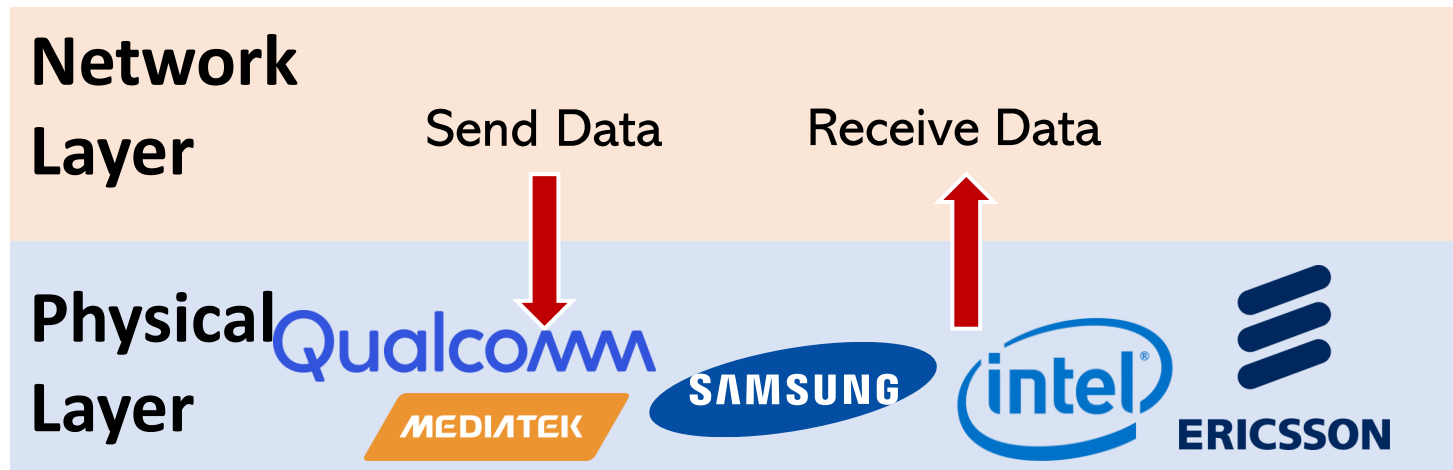
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# Abstractions enables interoperability



# Example: Technology Innovation



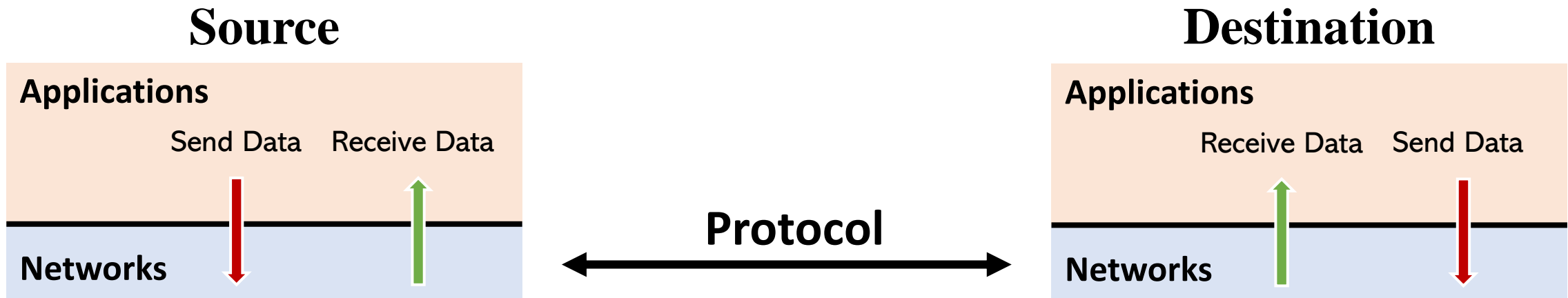
200Mbps → 2 Gbps



# Benefit of Layers

- Modular Design: Makes networking easier to understand and manage.
- Interoperability: Ensures different systems and technologies can communicate.
- Abstraction: Allows developers to focus on specific functions without worrying about the entire network.
- Innovation: Easy to deploy new technology without changing the whole network stack
- Troubleshooting: Simplifies diagnosing issues by isolating problems within specific layers.

# Structure of the layer design



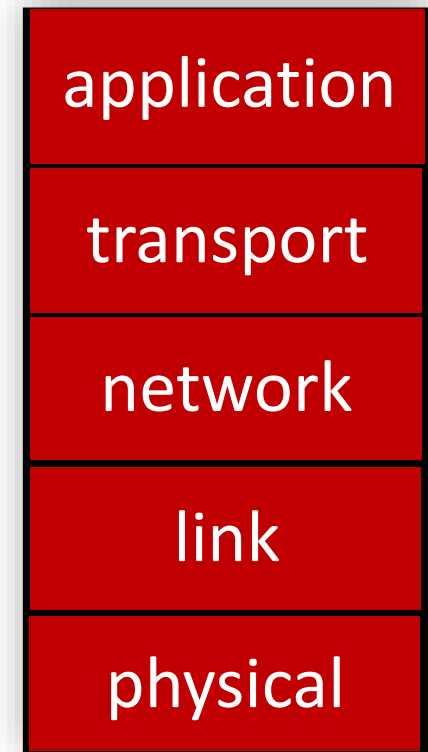
- **Service:** **What** a layer does
- **Service interface:** **How to access** the service
  - Interface for the layer **above**

- **Protocol interface:** **How peers communicate** to implement service
  - Set of rules and formats that govern the communication **between two Internet hosts**



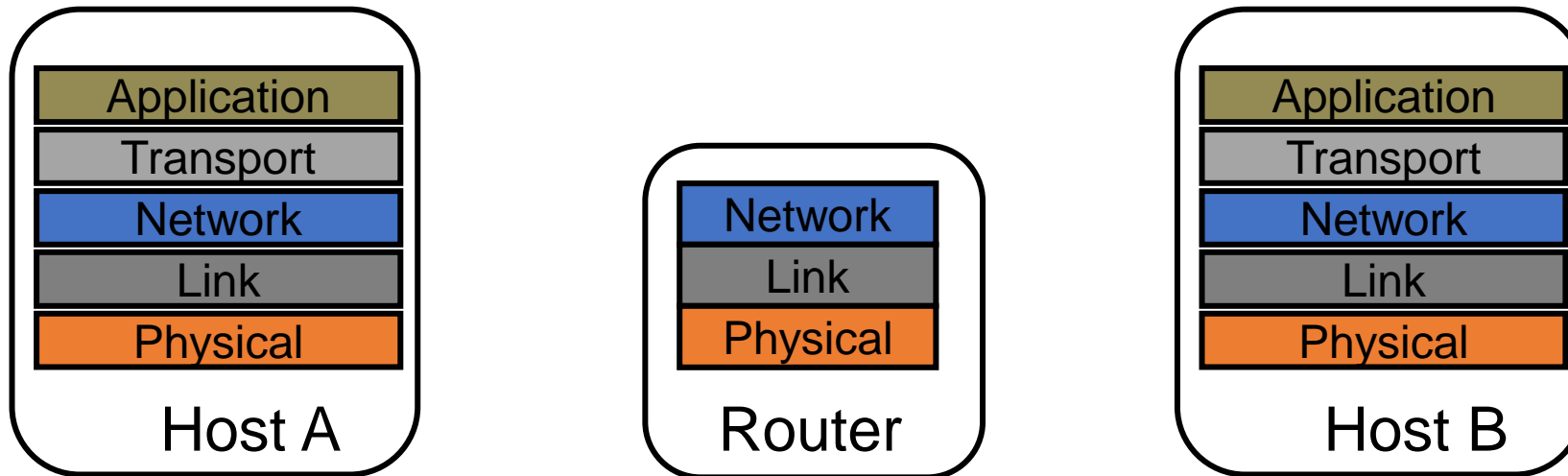
# Layered Internet protocol stack

- *application*: supporting network applications
  - HTTP, IMAP, SMTP, DNS
- *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
  - Ethernet, 802.11 (WiFi), PPP
- *physical*: bits “on the wire”



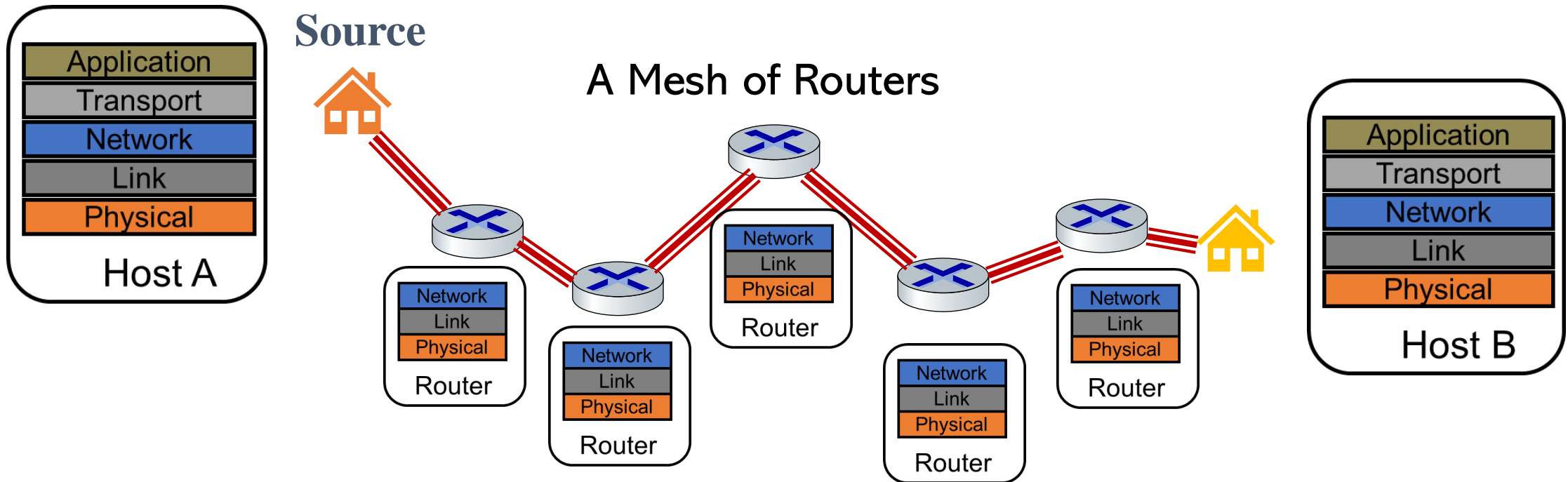
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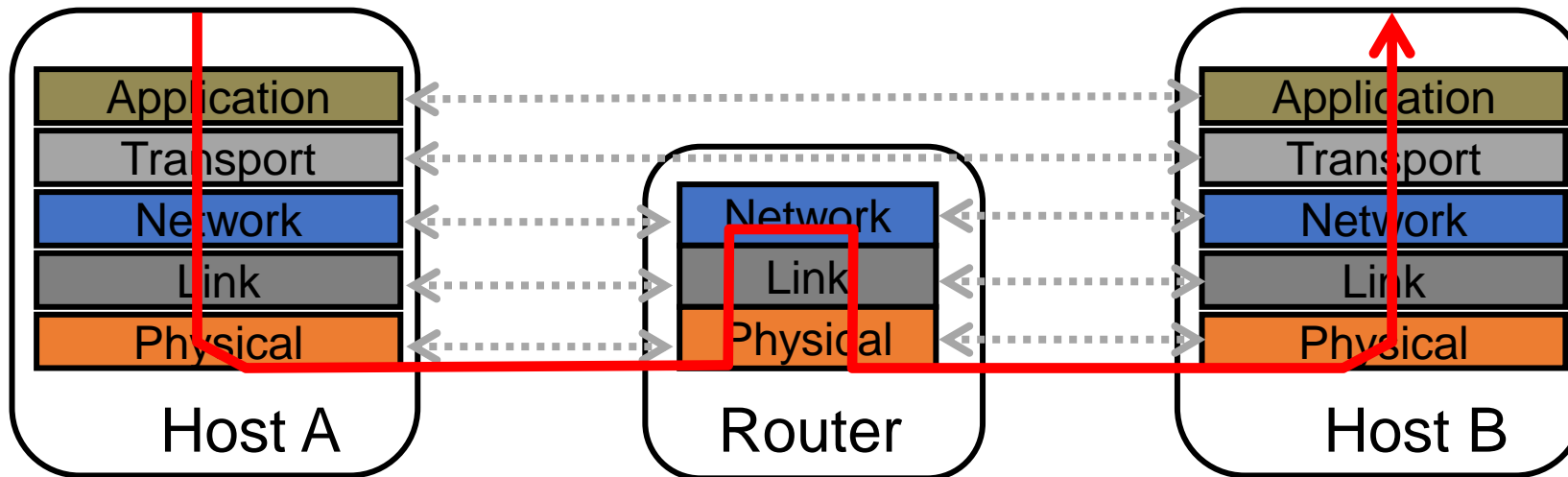
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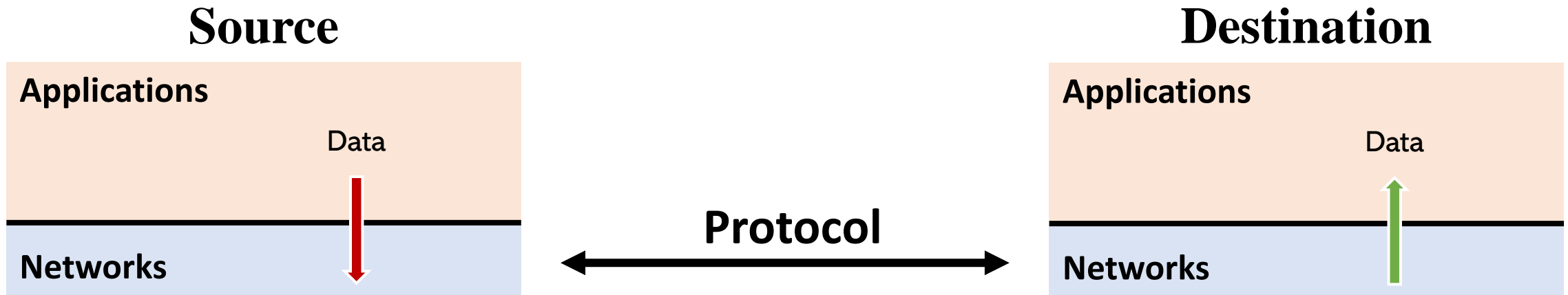
# Physical path across the Internet

- Communication **goes down** to physical network
- Then from **network peer to peer**
- Then **up** to the relevant layer



# Encapsulation in Networks

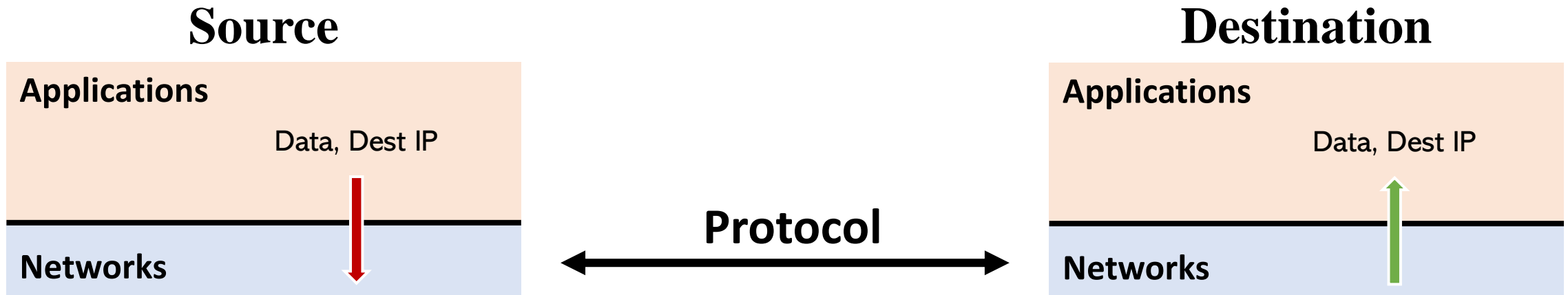
- Addressing





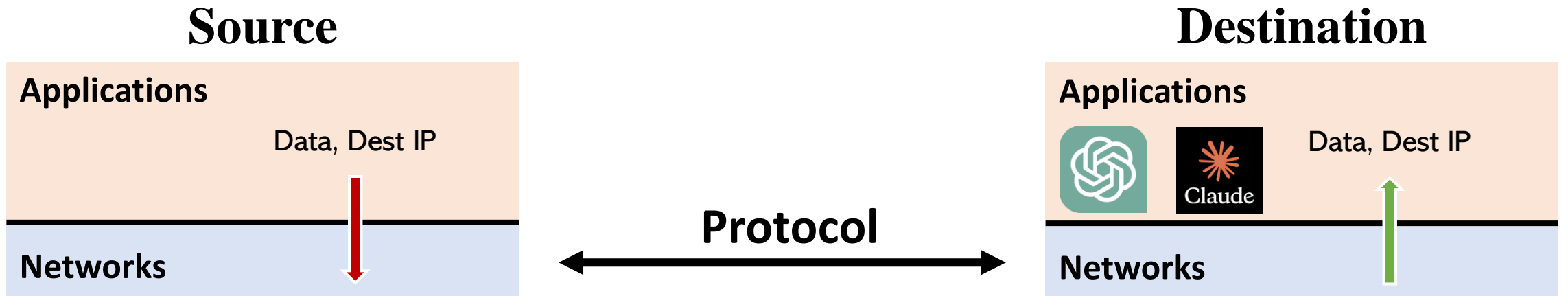
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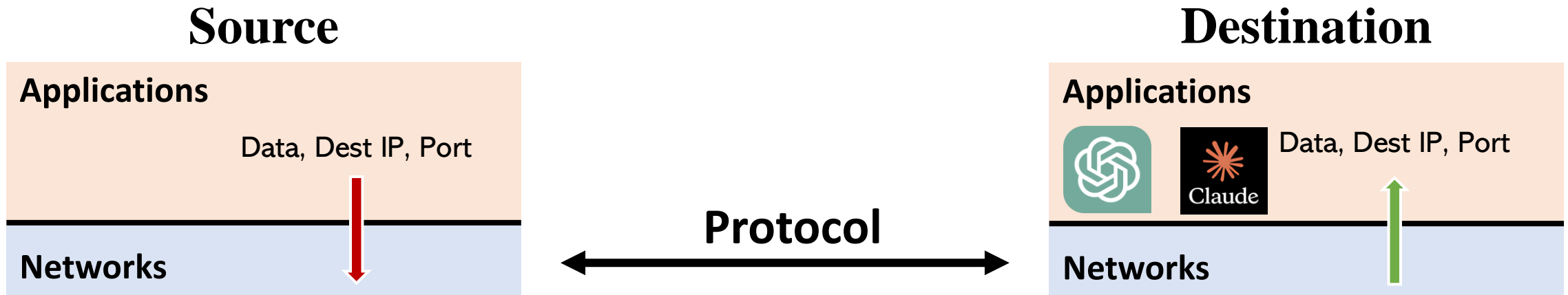
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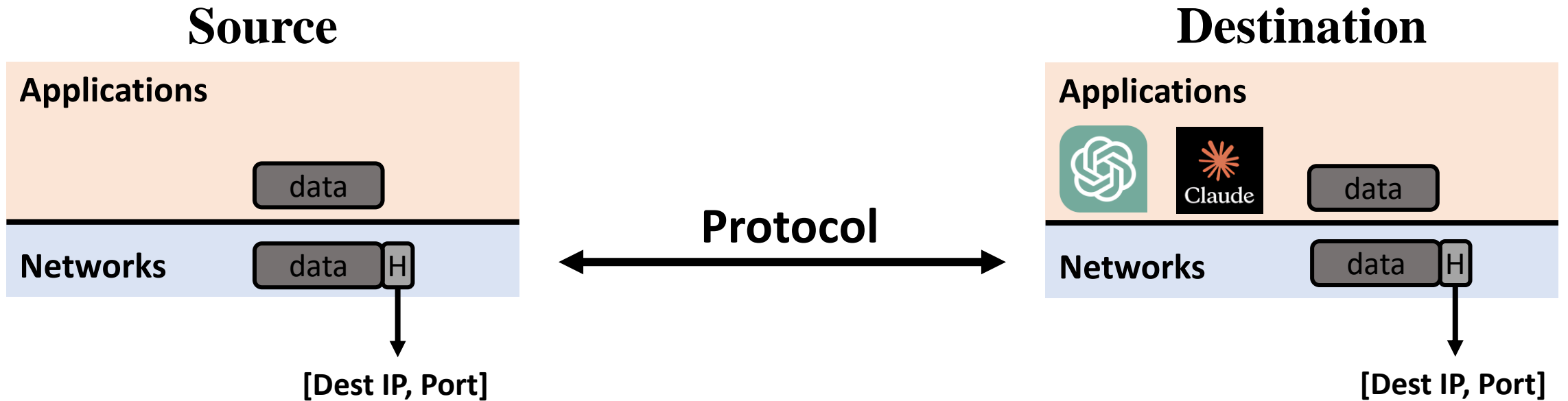
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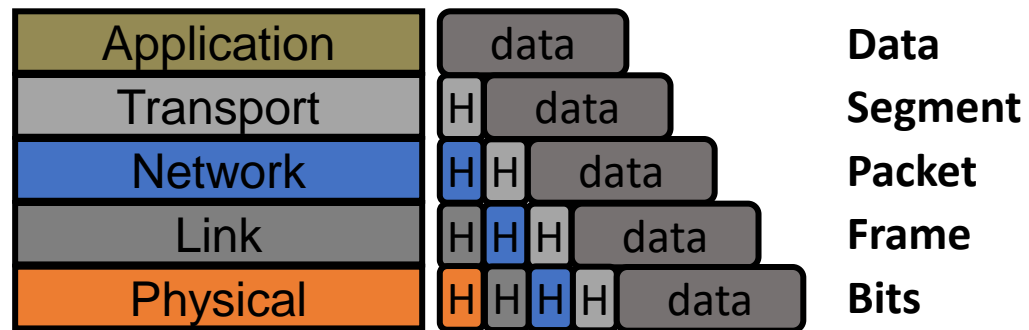
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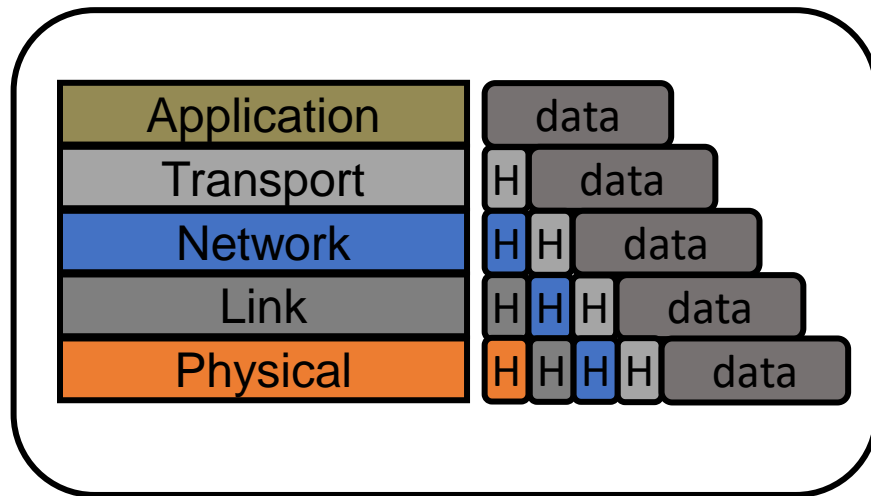
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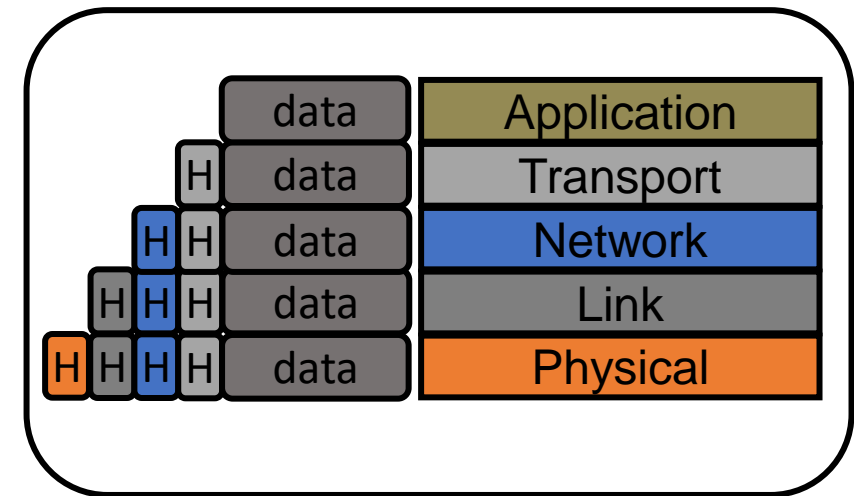


# Encapsulation in Networks

- Encapsulation happens at all the layers
- On reception, layer **inspects and removes** its own header
  - Higher layers **don't see** lower layers' headers

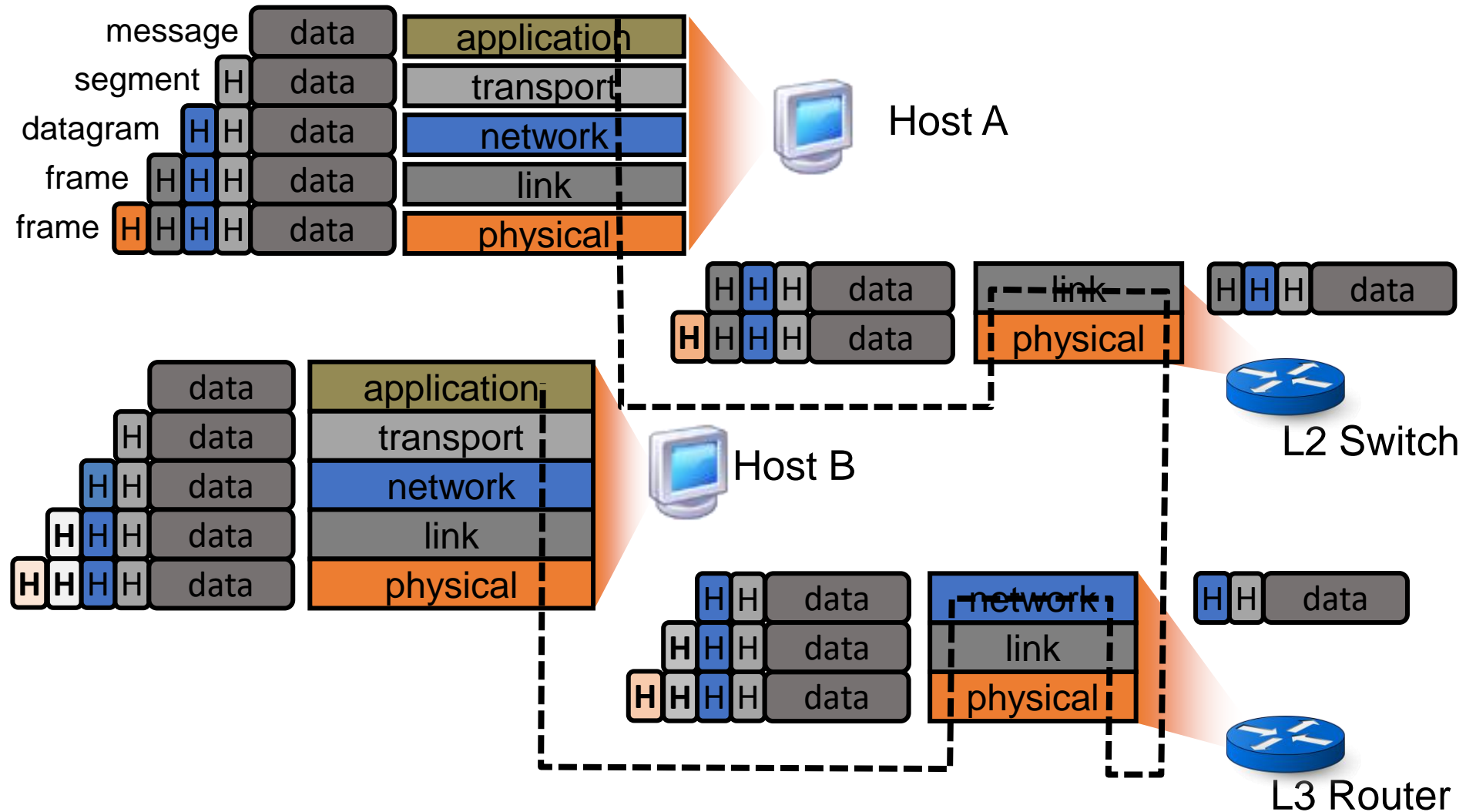


Host A



Host B

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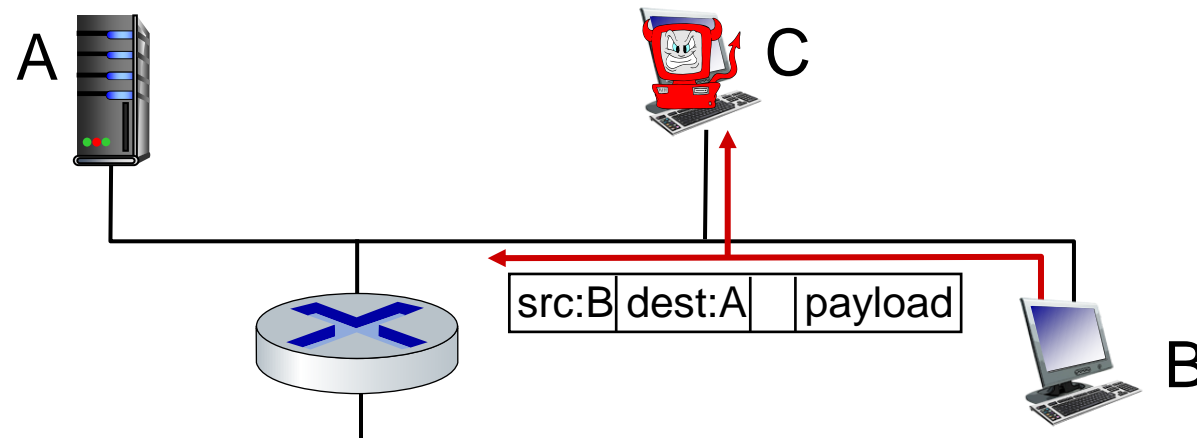
# Network security

- Internet not originally designed with (much) security in mind
  - *original vision*: “a group of mutually trusting users attached to a transparent network” 😊
  - Internet protocol designers playing “catch-up”
  - security considerations in all layers!
- We now need to think about:
  - how bad guys can attack computer networks
  - how we can defend networks against attacks
  - how to design architectures that are immune to attacks

# Bad guys: packet interception

## *packet “sniffing”:*

- broadcast media (shared Ethernet, wireless)
- promiscuous network interface reads/records all packets (e.g., including passwords!) passing by

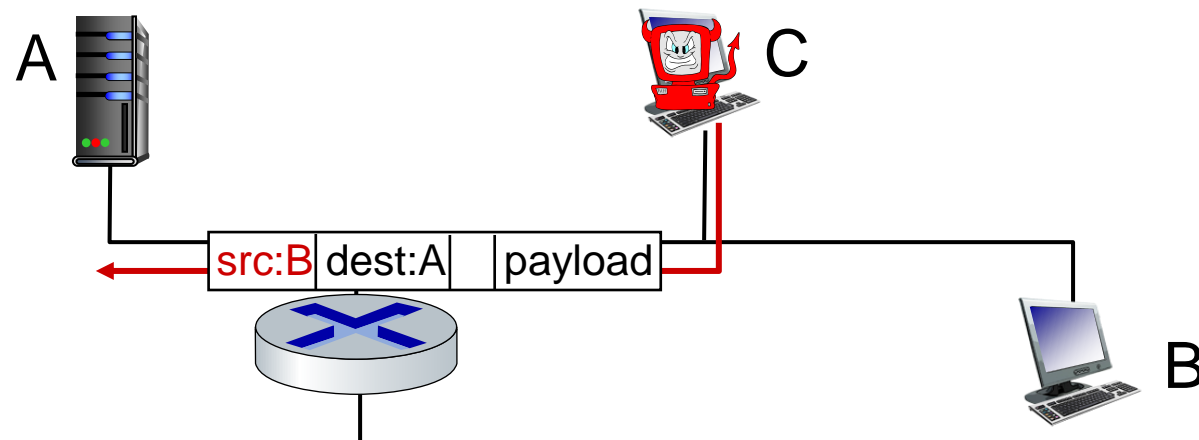


Wireshark software used for our end-of-chapter labs is a (free) packet-sniffer



# Bad guys: fake identity

*IP spoofing*: injection of packet with false source address



# Bad guys: denial of service

*Denial of Service (DoS)*: attackers make resource (server, bandwidth) unavailable to legitimate traffic by overwhelming resource with bogus traffic



**Client**

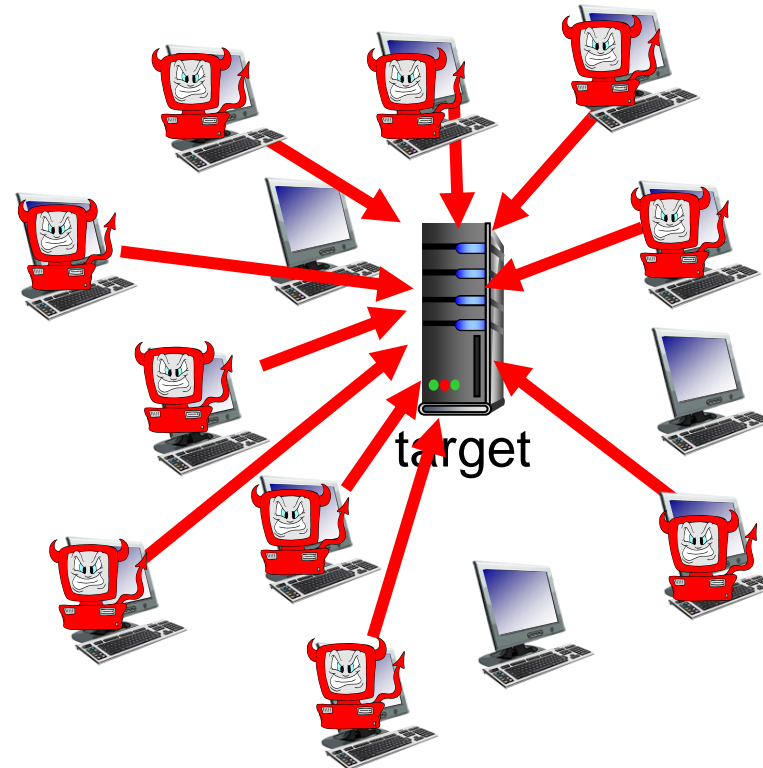


**Server**

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1. select target
2. break into hosts around the network
3. send packets to target from compromised hosts



# Lines of defense:

- **authentication:** proving you are who you say you are
  - cellular networks provides hardware identity via SIM card; no such hardware assist in traditional Internet
- **confidentiality:** via encryption
- **integrity checks:** digital signatures prevent/detect tampering
- **access restrictions:** password-protected VPNs
- **firewalls:** specialized “middleboxes” in access and core networks:
  - off-by-default: filter incoming packets to restrict senders, receivers, applications
  - detecting/reacting to DOS attacks

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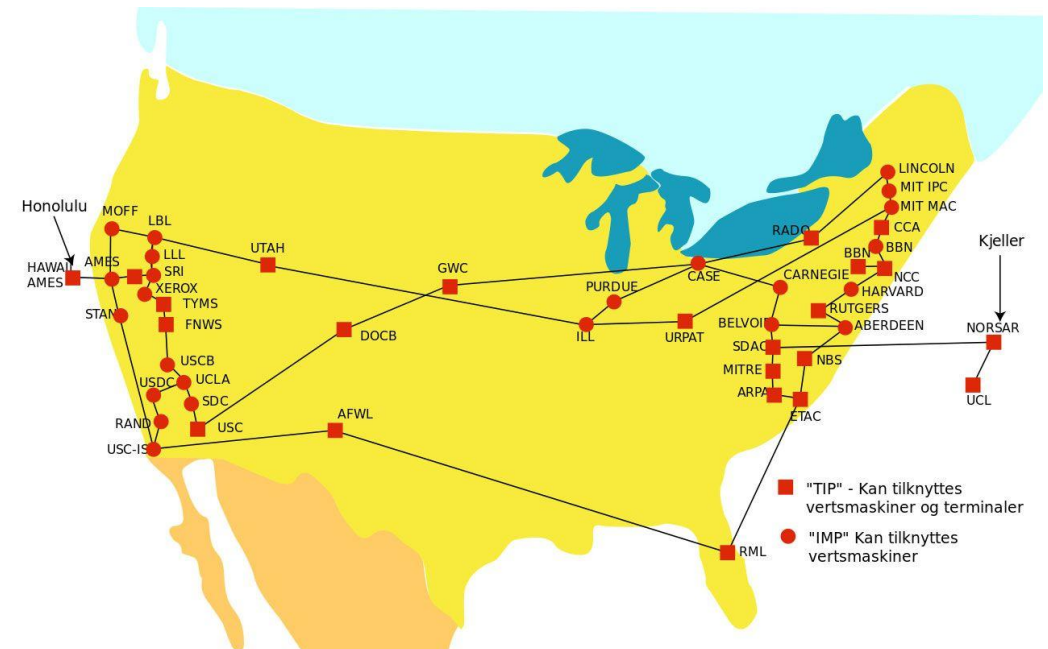
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# ARPANET – The Birth of the Internet (1969)

- Funded by DARPA (U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency).
- First message sent **Oct 29, 1969** between UCLA and Stanford.
- Key technology: **Packet switching**.
- Connected universities and research institutions.

The first message sent over ARPANET happened on Oct. 29, 1969. Charley Kline, who was a student at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), tried to log in to the mainframe at the Stanford Research Institute (SRI). He successfully typed in the characters *L* and *O*, but the computer crashed when he typed the *G* of the command `LOGIN`. They were able to overcome the initial crash, however, and had a successful connection that same day.



# Expanding ARPANET and TCP/IP (1970s-1980s)

- **1973:** First international connection (UK & Norway).
- **1974:** **TCP/IP protocol** proposed by **Vinton Cerf & Bob Kahn**.
- **1983:** ARPANET switches to **TCP/IP**, officially creating the Internet.
- **1986:** **NSFNET** expands network beyond military & academia.

# Commercialization and the World Wide Web (1990s)

- **1991:** Tim Berners-Lee develops **World Wide Web (WWW)**.
- **1993:** First web browser **Mosaic** released (led to Netscape).
- **1995:** NSF lifts commercial restrictions → **Birth of Internet Service Providers (ISPs)**.
- **1998:** Google founded, changing web search.



# The Dot-Com Boom and Wireless Internet (2000s)

- Rise of **e-commerce** (Amazon, eBay, PayPal).
- **Wi-Fi, broadband, mobile networks** increase connectivity.
- **2004:** Facebook launches, followed by **social media explosion**.
- **2007:** Apple releases the **iPhone**, boosting mobile Internet.

# Modern Internet (2010s-Present)

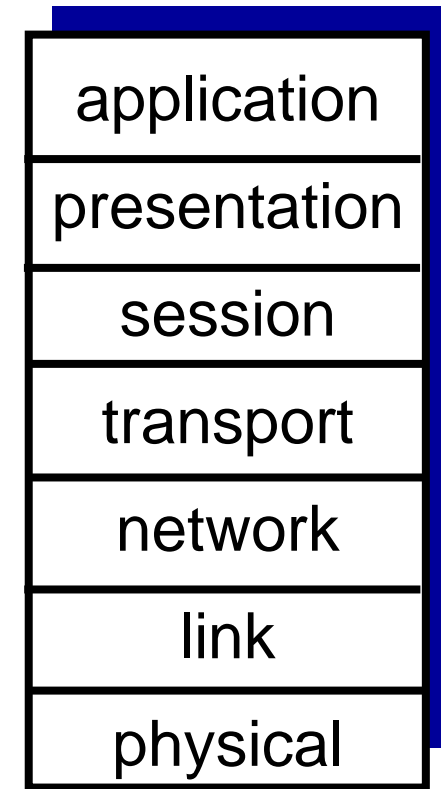
- Cloud computing, streaming services, and 5G.
- **IoT (Internet of Things)** connects smart devices.
- **AI & Machine Learning** reshape content delivery.

# Additional Chapter 1 slides

# ISO/OSI reference model

Two layers not found in Internet protocol stack!

- *presentation*: allow applications to interpret meaning of data, e.g., encryption, compression, machine-specific conventions
- *session*: synchronization, checkpointing, recovery of data exchange
- Internet stack “missing” these layers!
  - these services, *if needed*, must be implemented in application
  - needed?



The seven layer OSI/ISO reference model

# Wireshark

