### **Computer Network**

A Process of Connecting Devices

### **NETWORKS**

 A network is a set of devices (often referred to as nodes) connected by communication links.
 A node can be a computer, printer, or any other device capable of sending and/or receiving data generated by other nodes on the network.

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### **Network Criteria**

- Performance
  - Mostly measured by throughput and delay
- Reliability
  - The frequency of failure
  - Recovery time from a failure
- Security
  - Protecting data from
    - unauthorized access
    - Damage

Data flow (simplex, half-duplex, and full-duplex)

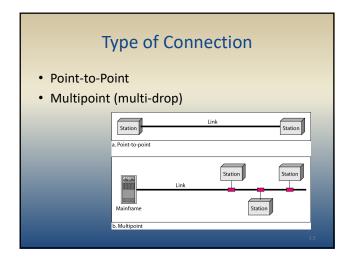
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Direction of data at time 1

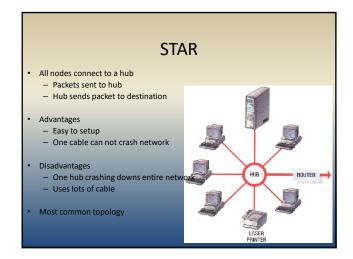
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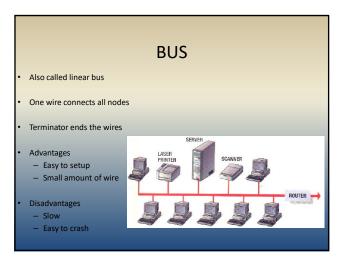
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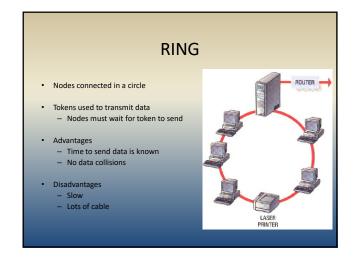
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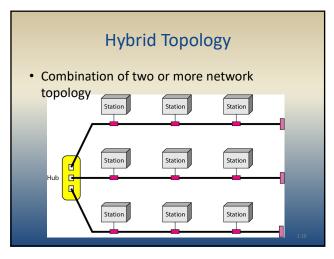


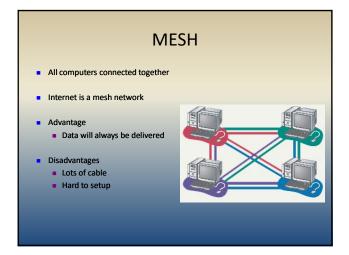
## Physical Topology Star topology Bus topology Ring topology Hybrid topology Mesh topology

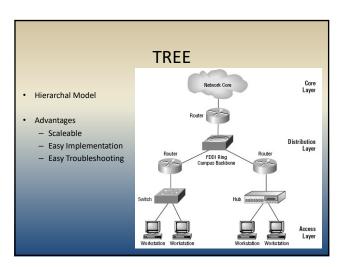












### **Categories of Networks**

- Personal Area Network (PAN)
- Local Area Network (LAN)
- Campus Area Network (CAN)
- Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)
- Wide Area Network (WAN)

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### Personal Area Network (PAN)

- Very small scale network
- Range is less than 2 meters
- Cell phones, PDAs, MP3 players

### Local Area Network (LAN)

- Contains printers, servers and computers
- Systems are close to each other
- · Contained in one office or building
- Organizations often have several LANS

### Campus Area Networks (CAN)

- A LAN in one large geographic area
- Resources related to the same organization
- Each department shares the LAN

### Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)

- Large network that connects different organizations
- Shares regional resources
- A network provider sells time

### Wide Area Networks (WAN)

- Two or more LANs connected
- Over a large geographic area
- Typically use public or leased lines
  - Phone lines
  - Satellite
- The Internet is a WAN

### **Network Media**

- · Links that connect nodes
- Choice impacts
  - Speed
  - Security
  - Size

# Twisted-pair cabling Most common LAN cable Called Cat5 or 100BaseT Four pairs of copper cable twisted May be shielded from interference Speeds range from Mbps to 1,000 Mbps

### Coaxial cable

- Similar to cable TV wire
- · One wire runs through cable
- · Shielded from interference
- Speeds up to 10 Mbps
- Nearly obsolete

### Fiber-optic cable

- Data is transmitted with light pulses
- Glass strand instead of cable
- Immune to interference
- Very secure
- Hard to work with
- Speeds up to 100 Gbps



### Wireless Media

- Data transmitted through the air
- LANs use radio waves
- WANs use microwave signals
- · Easy to setup
- Difficult to secure

### Internetwork

- An <u>Internetwork</u> is the connection of two or more distinct computer networks or network segments via a common routing technology.
- Any interconnection among or between public, private, commercial, industrial, or governmental networks may also be defined as an internetwork.

### Internetwork

### Intranet

- An intranet is a set of networks, using the internet Protocol and IP-based tools such as web browsers and file transfer applications, that is under the control of a single administrative entity.

  Most commonly, an intranet is the internal network of an organization

### Extranet

- An extranet is a network or internetwork that is limited in scope to a single organization or entity but which also has limited connections to the networks of one or more other usually, but not necessarily, trusted organizations or entities by definition, an extranet cannot consist of a single LAN; it must have at least one connection with an external network.

### Internet

- Internet Protocol Suite.
  It is the successor of the Advanced Research Projects Agency Nety (ARPANET) developed by DARPA of the U.S. Department of Defer The Internet is also the communications backbone underlying the Web (WWW).

### Bandwidth

- Data rate measured in bits (not bytes) per seconds
- Kbps (Kilobits per seconds)
  - 125 chars/sec
- Mbps (Megabits per seconds)
  - 1,250 chars/sec
- · Gbps (Gigabits per seconds)
  - 12,500 chars/sec

### Hub/Switch/Router

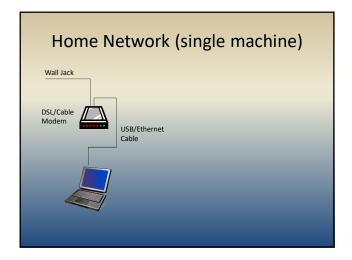
- To connect multiple segments of networks into a larger one
- - A multiport repeater to enhance signal within the same LAN

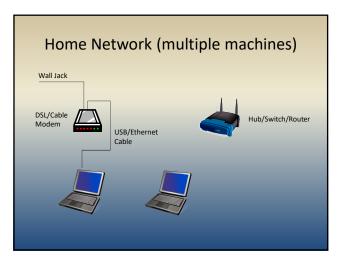
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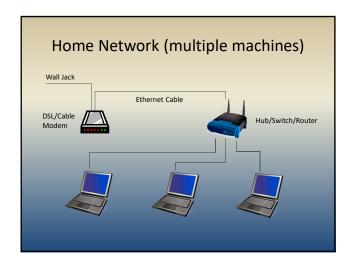
- Switch
  - Like hub but with intelligent
  - Better performance
- - Forward packets from one LAN to anoth

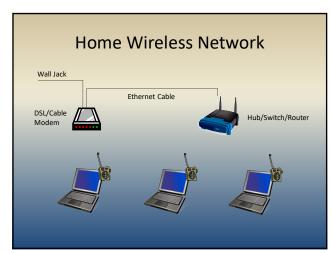
### Connecting to the Internet

- Requirement
  - A computer or PDA or cell phone
  - An account with an ISP (Internet Service Provider)
  - A modem (modulator/demodulator) for dial-up services or a NIC (Network Interface Card) for DSL/Cable services









### What is a domain name

- Human friendly form of an Internet address
- Actual address is an Internet Protocol (IP) number
- · System globally administered by ICANN
- Generic top level domains (gTLDs)
   -.com, .org, .net, .edu, .gov, .biz
- Country code top level domains (ccTLDs)

### Domain name registration in India

- · open and closed domains
- open .com, .org, .net, .info, .biz
- closed .gov, .edu, .mil, .museum
- inDA administers .co.in space
- to register in .in space must be a commercial entity registered and trading in India..

## Domain Names and other business identifiers

- Trade Marks
- · Personality Rights
- Place Names
- Tension with domain names
  - Reverse domain name hijacking
  - Cyber squatting

### **Query Session**

Asking is another way of Learning