



# PROTECTING INFORMATION ASSETS

UNIT 4B

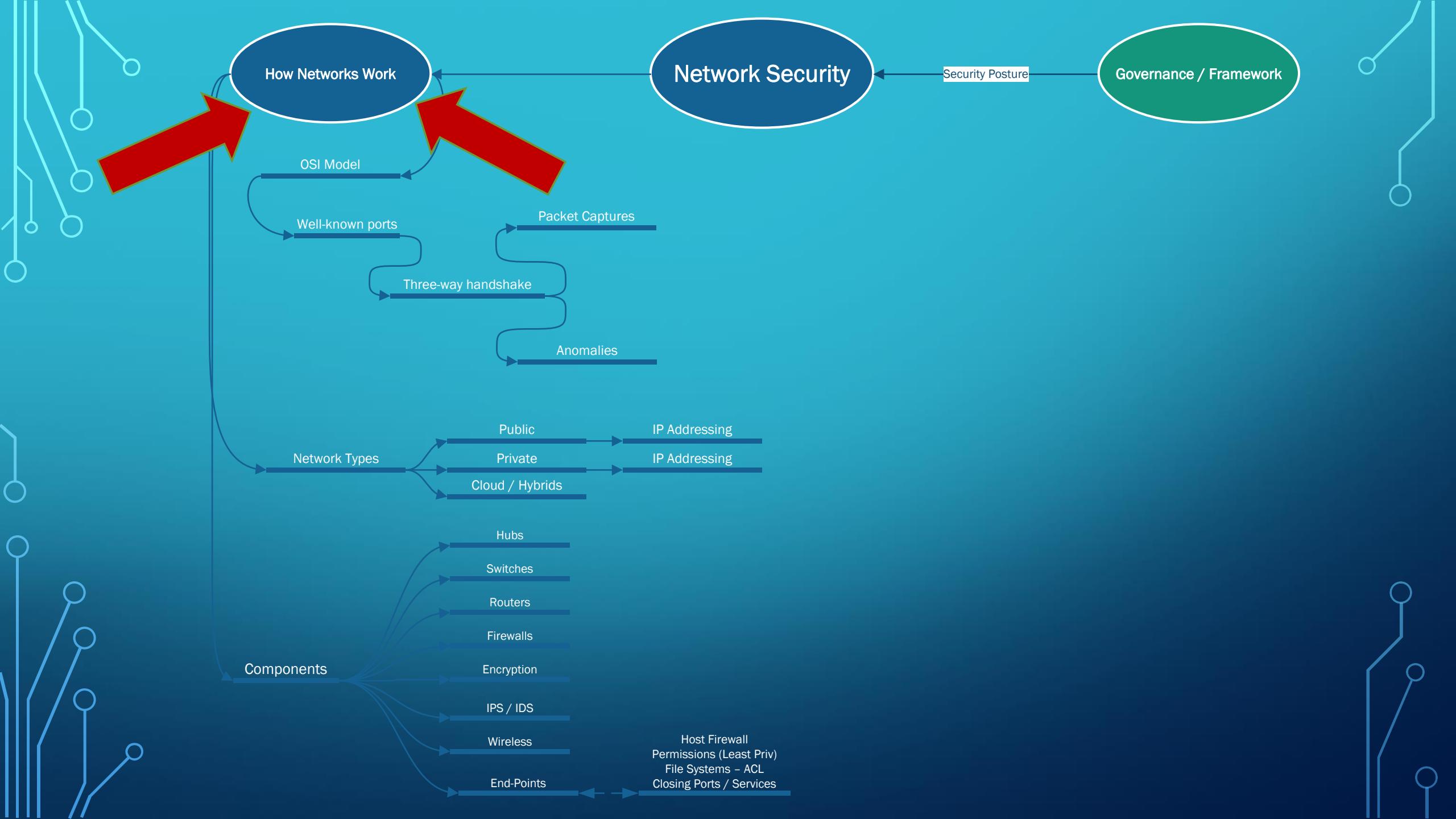
NETWORK SECURITY

# AGENDA

- Network security definition
- Models and protocols
- Switched environments
- Access control lists
- Firewalls
- Intrusion detection and prevention systems

## SIMPLE DEFINITION OF NETWORK SECURITY

*The purpose of network security is to protect the network of information systems from unauthorized access and misuse*



# MOVING DATA



Data Packets

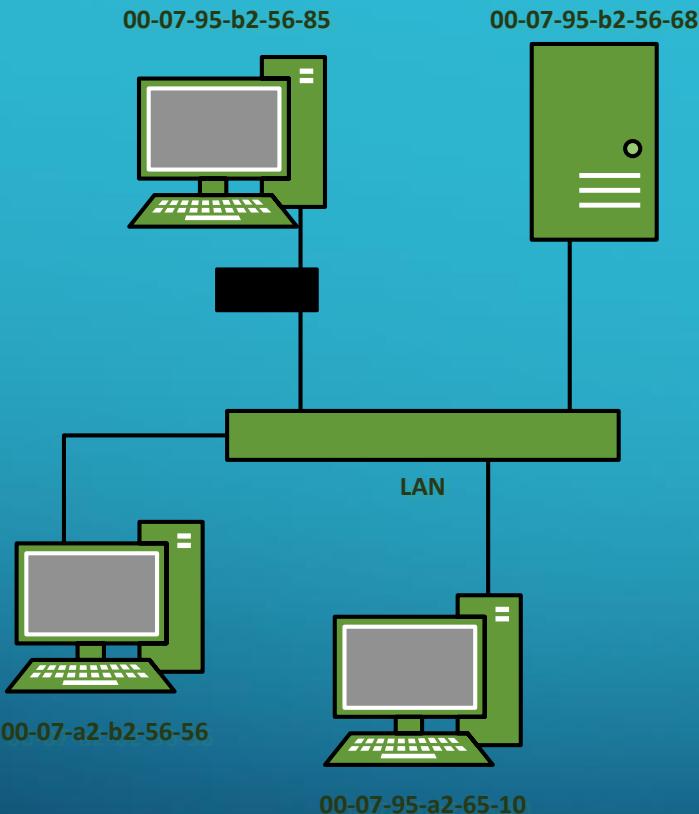


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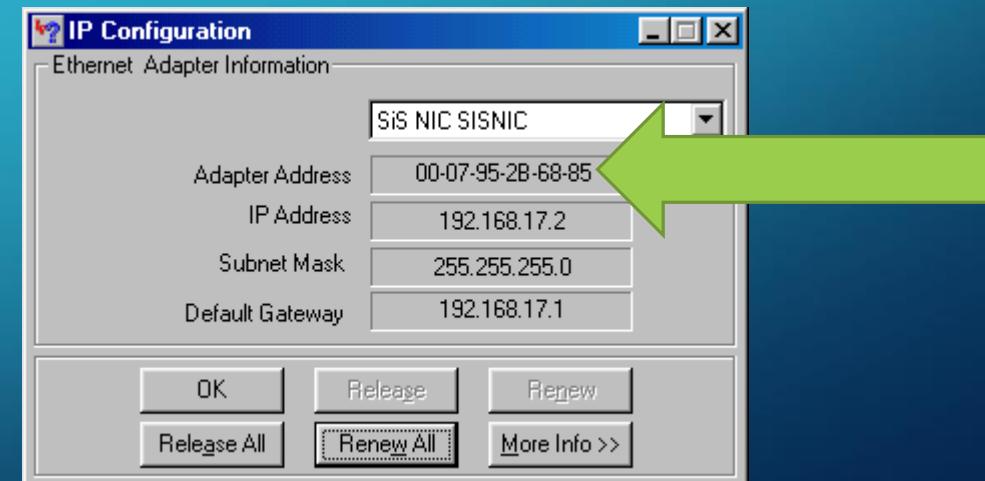
Delivery Method

# BASIC NETWORKING - MAC ADDRESSES



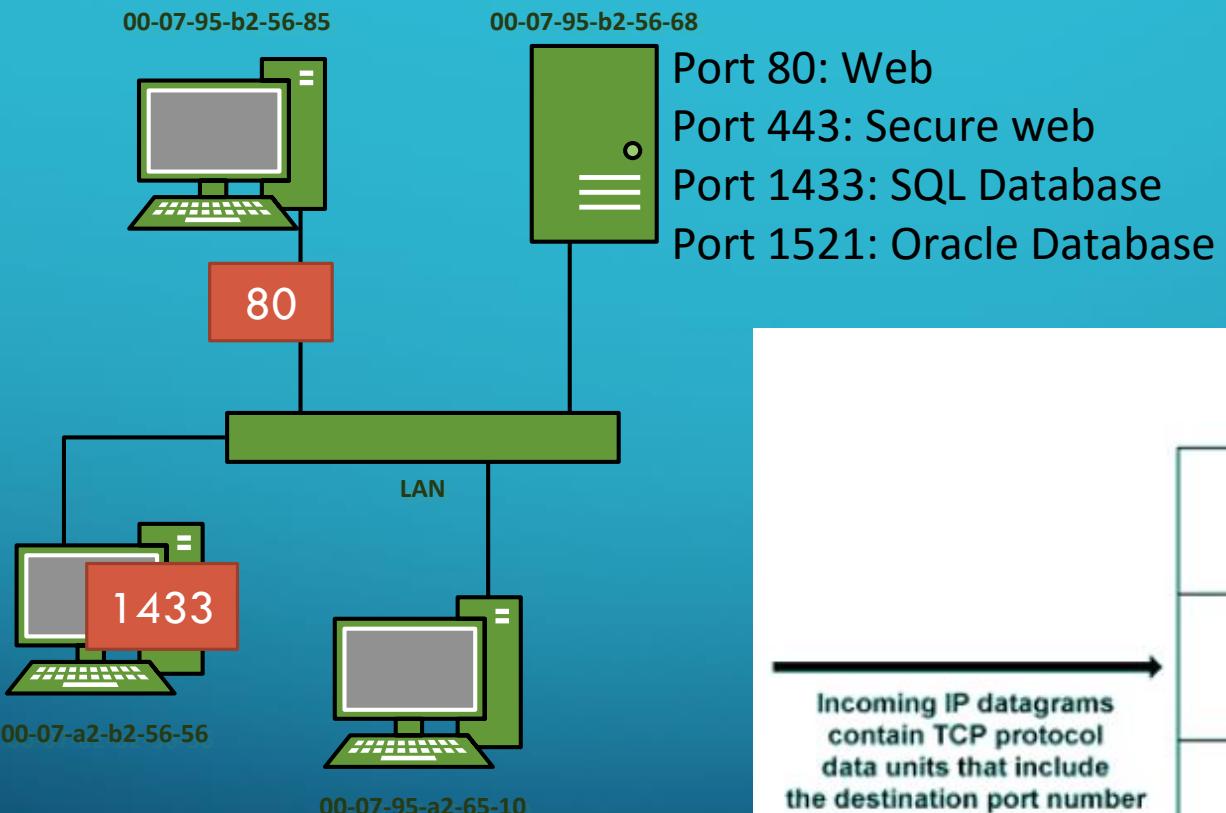
A **Media Access Control address (MAC address)** is a unique identifier assigned to network interfaces for communications on the physical network segment.

The **Address Resolution Protocol (ARP)** is a telecommunication protocol used for discovering the MAC Addresses of known **Internet Protocol (IP)** addresses



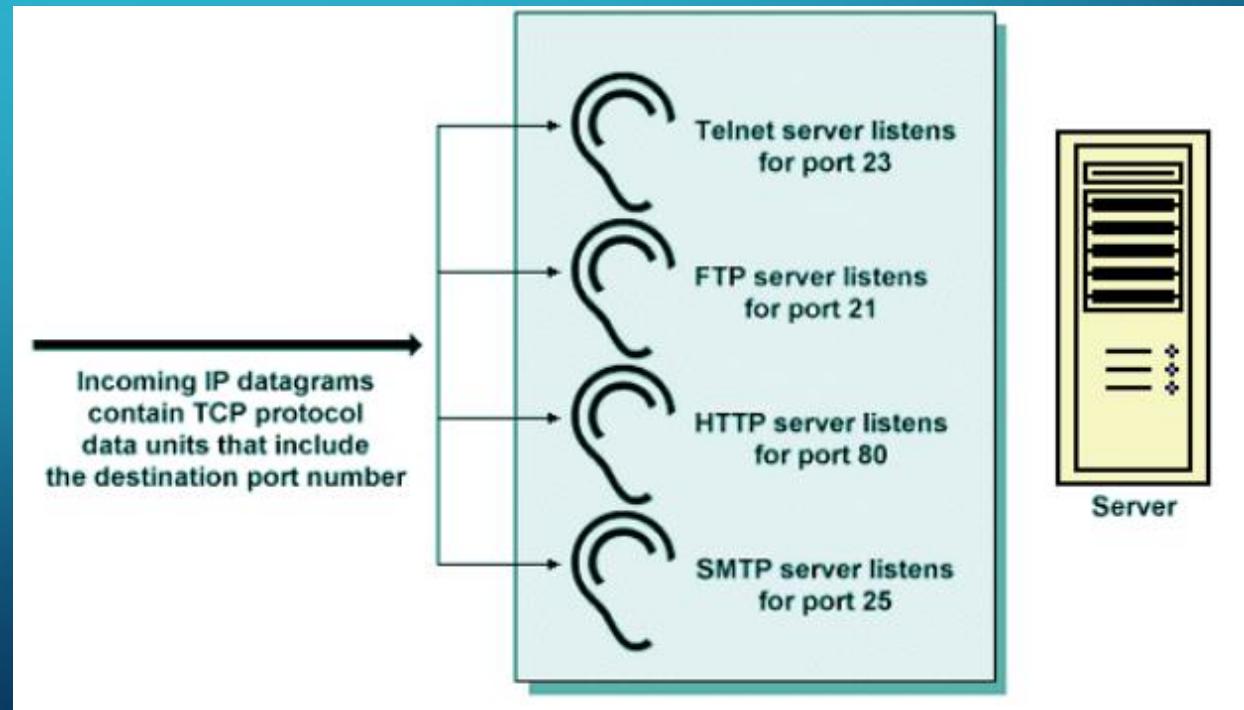
**ARP spoofing** is a type of attack in which a malicious actor sends falsified **ARP** (Address Resolution Protocol) messages over a local area network. This results in the linking of an attacker's MAC address with the IP address of a legitimate computer or server on the network.

# BASIC NETWORKING – PORTS MACHINES LISTEN TO FOR DATA TRAFFIC

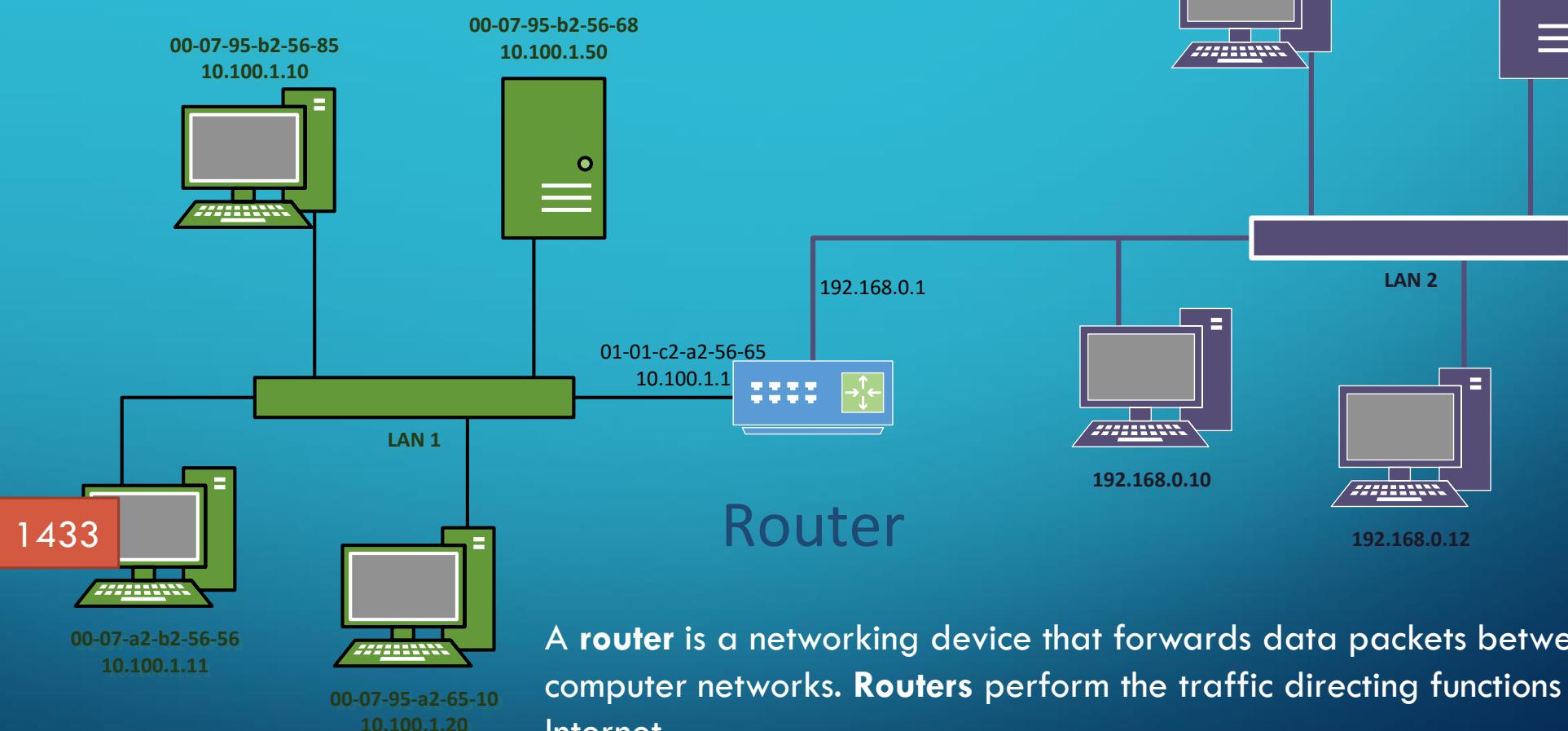


Port 80: Web  
Port 443: Secure web  
Port 1433: SQL Database  
Port 1521: Oracle Database

Scan networks for these ports to identify which servers are offering which services



# BASIC NETWORKING – ROUTERS



A **router** is a networking device that forwards data packets between computer networks. **Routers** perform the traffic directing functions on the Internet.

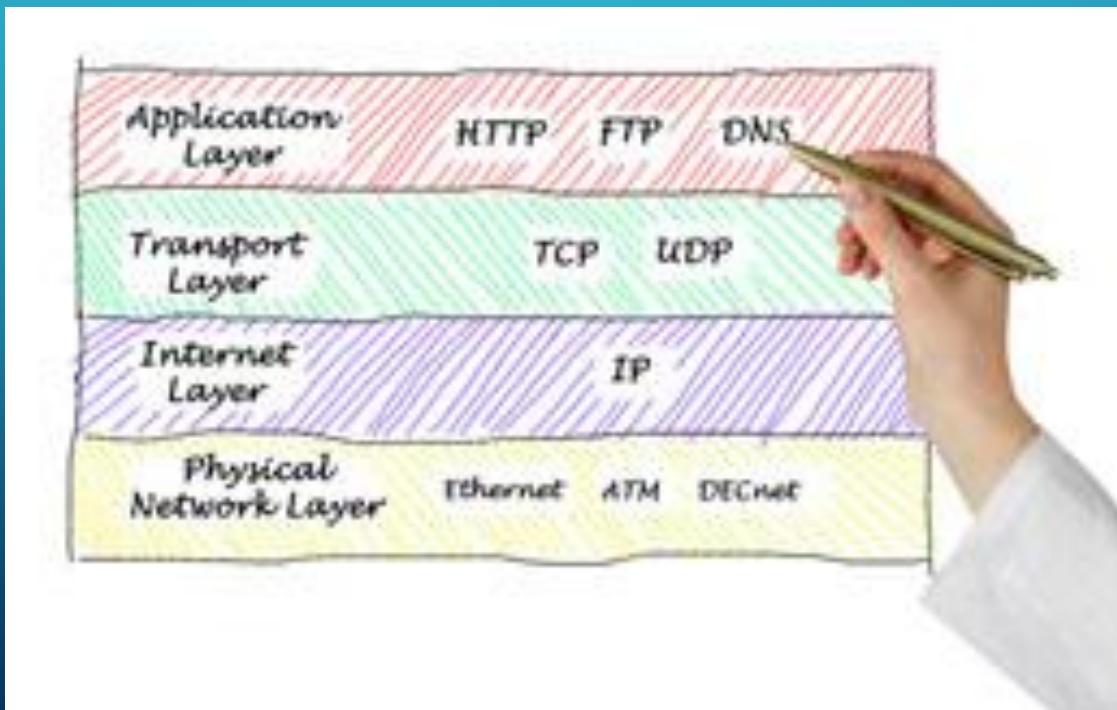
A data packet is typically forwarded from one **router** to another through the networks that constitute the internetwork until it reaches its destination node.



# MODELS AND PROTOCOLS

# OSI MODEL

- Developed by ISO – International Organization of Standardization
- Layered, each level sends to the layer above or below.



# BENEFITS OF OSI MODEL

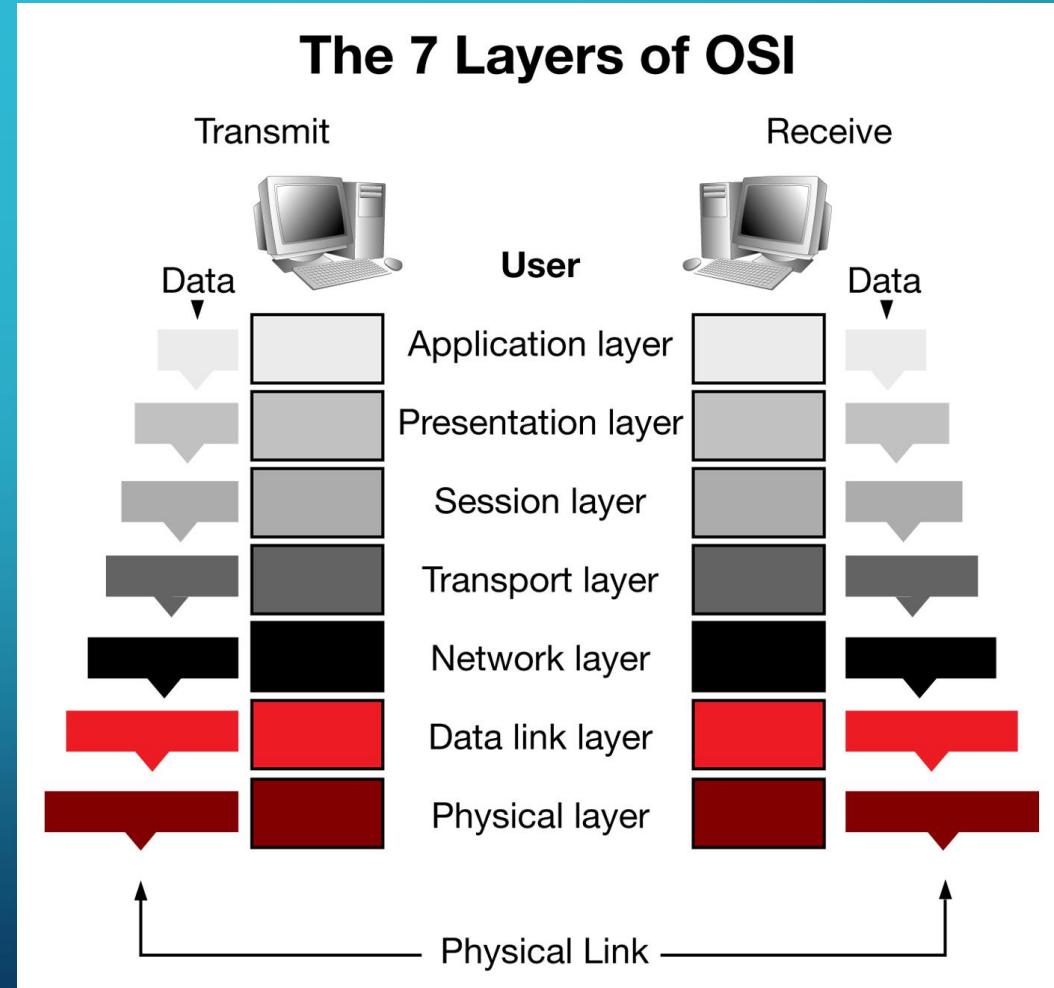


- Common Language
- Acceptable Behavior
- Protocols: set of rules that dictates how computers communicate over networks
- TCP/IP is a suite of protocols - de facto standard of the internet

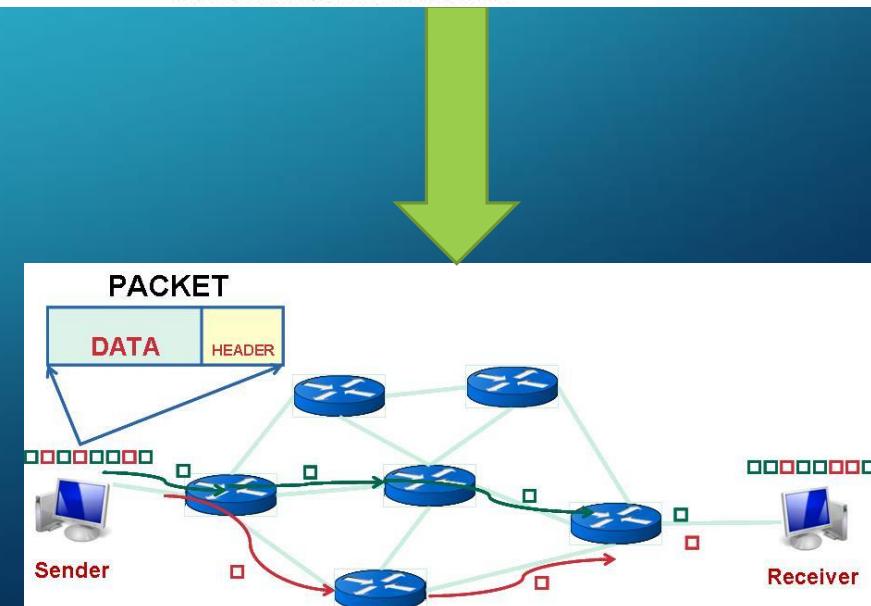
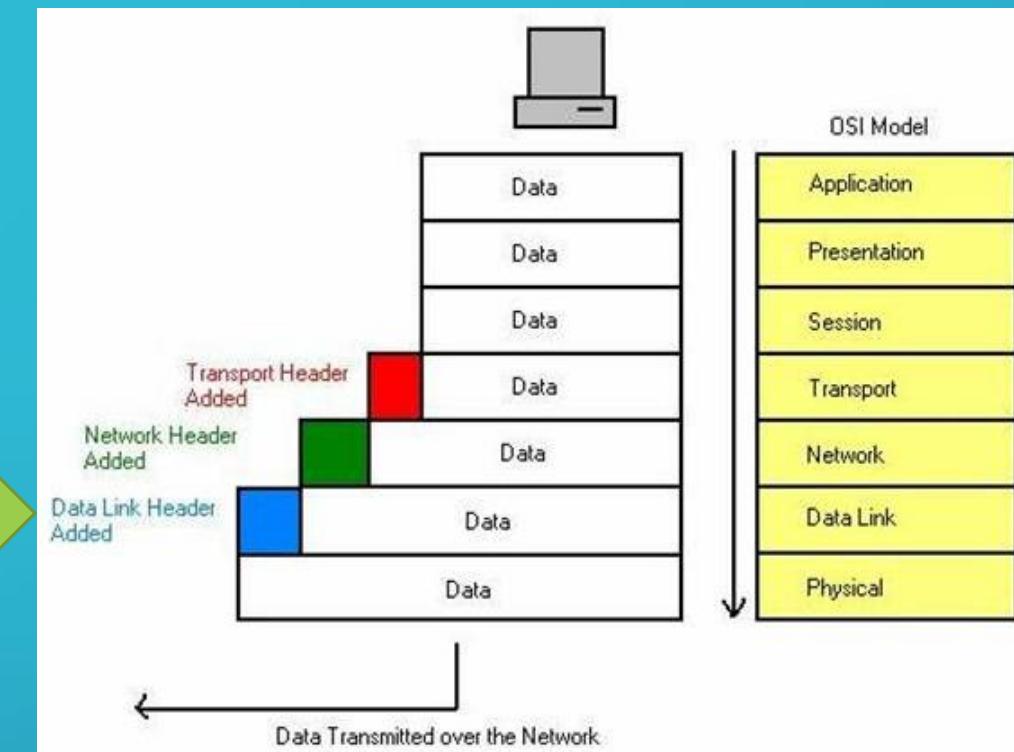
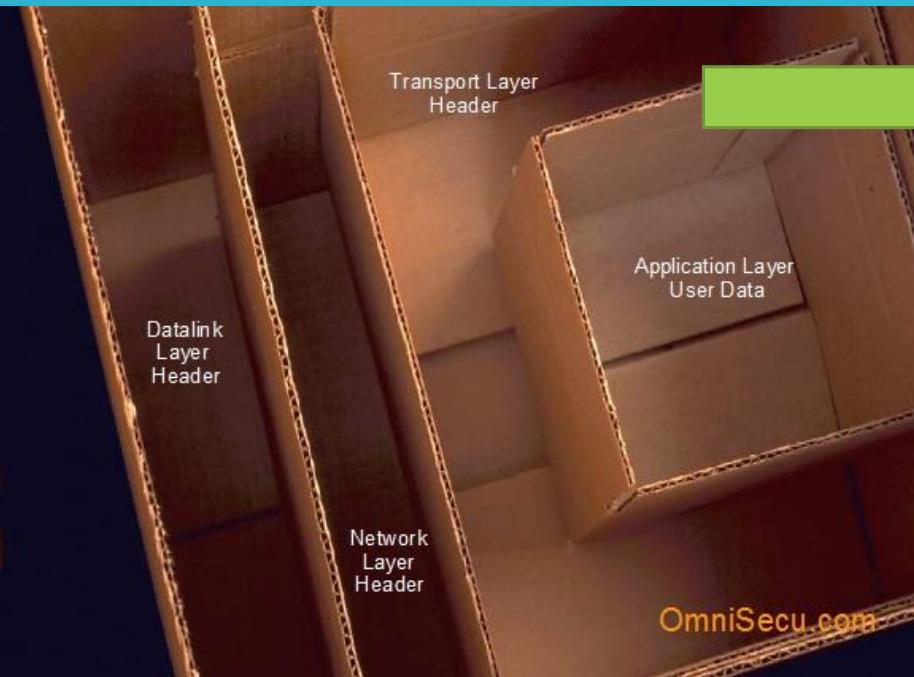


# DATA FLOW – OSI MODEL

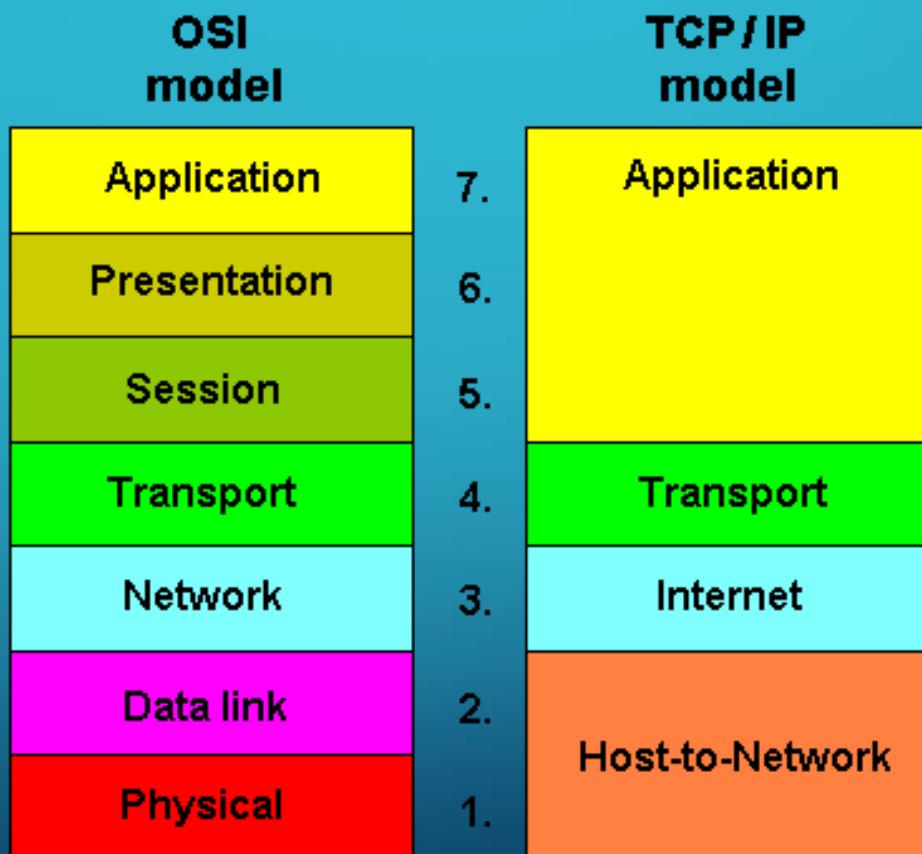
- Data encapsulation occurs as data travels down the stack.
- Data DE-capsulation = stripping off layers as the data travels up the stack.



# PACKETS



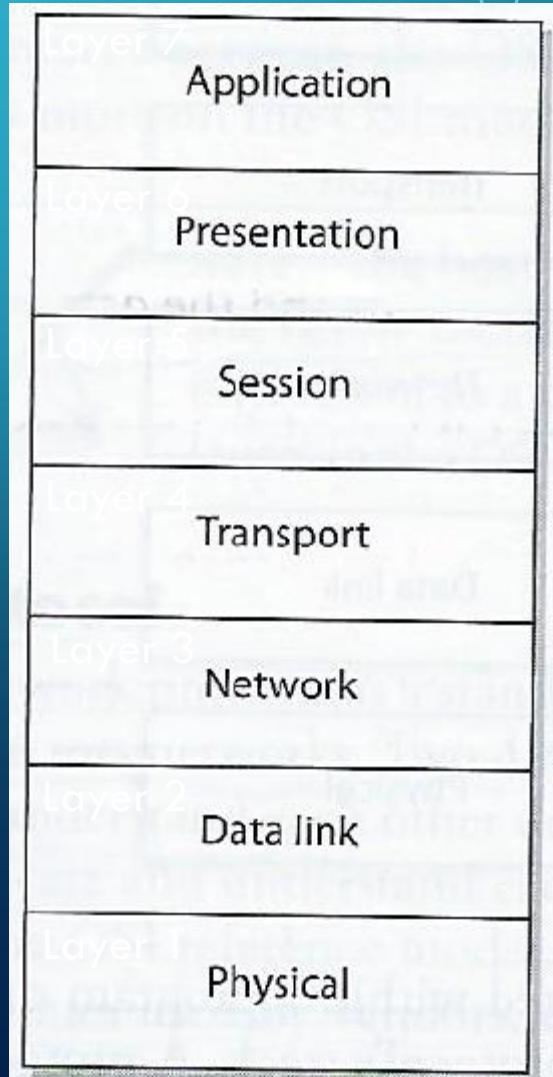
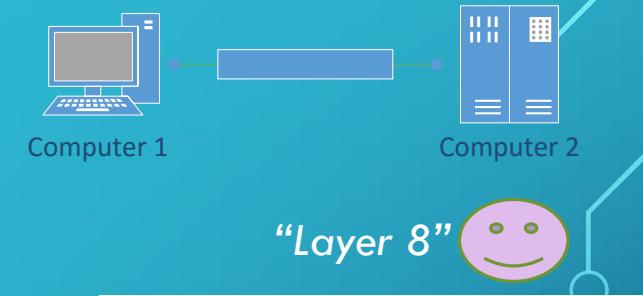
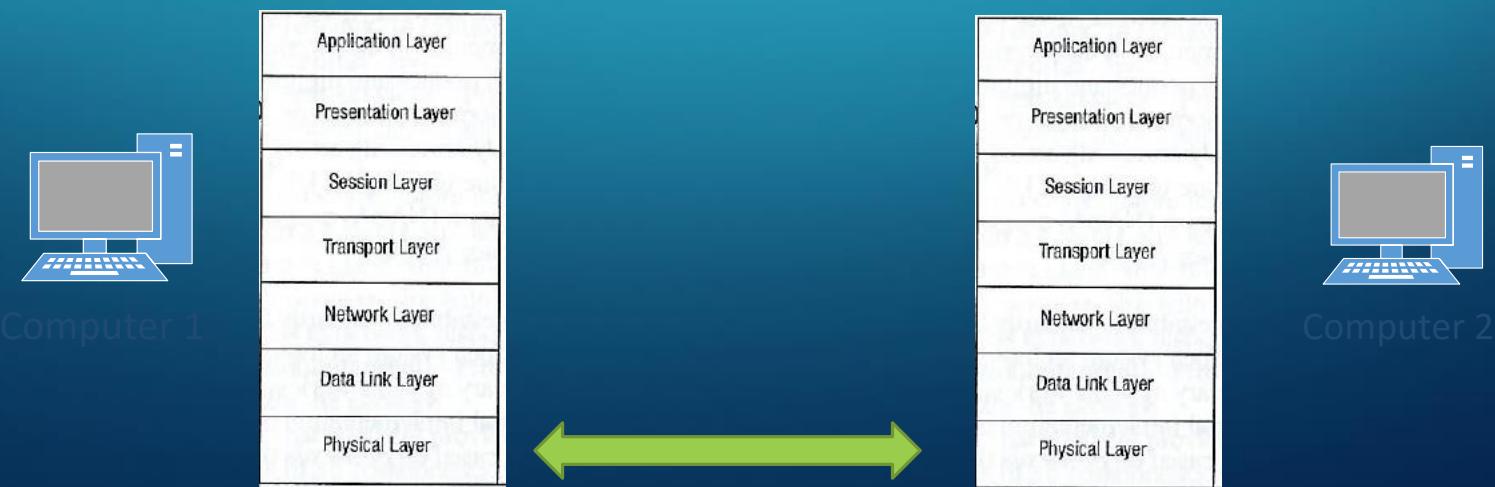
# TWO MODELS



# OPEN SYSTEMS INTERCONNECTION(OSI) REFERENCE MODEL – ISO STANDARD 7498-1

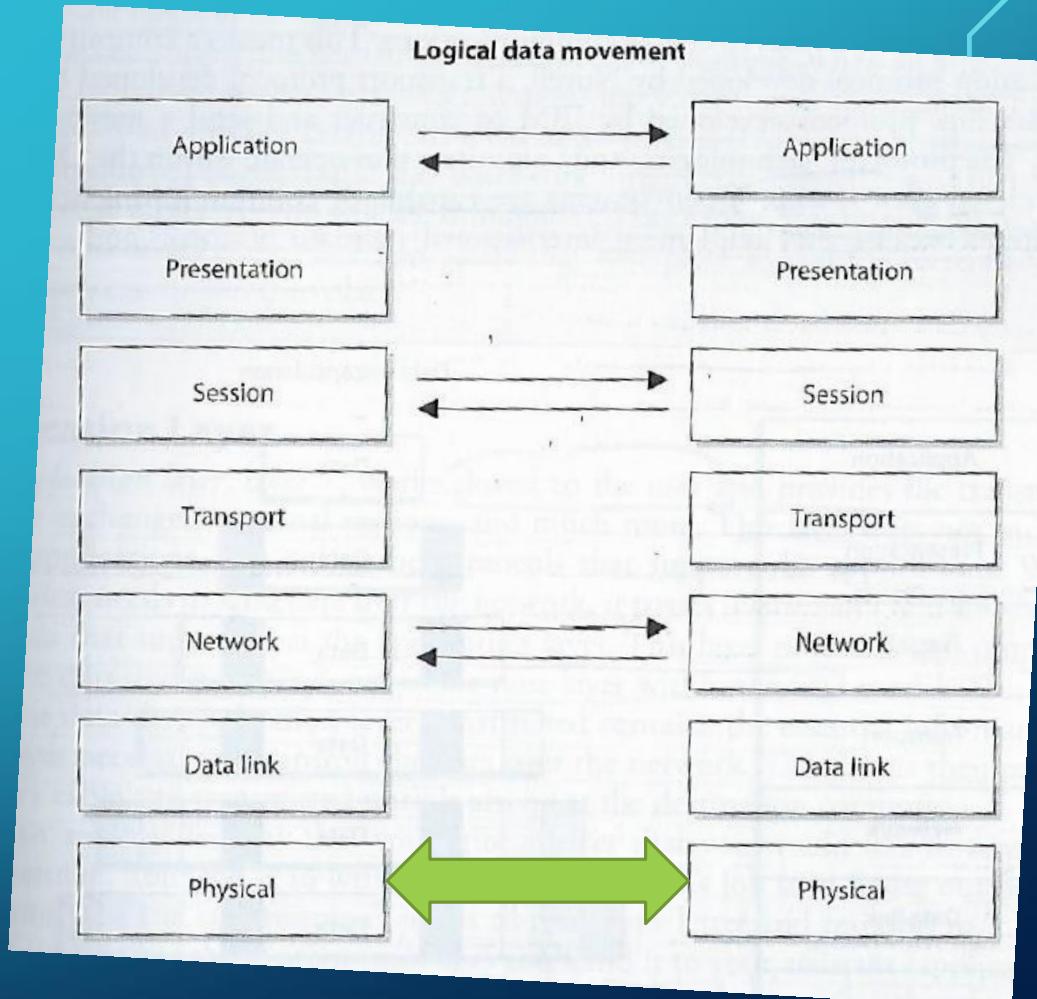
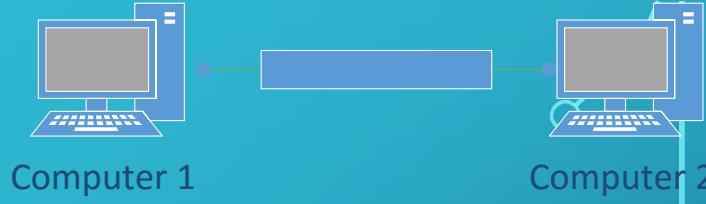
## OSI Model

- Guidelines used by vendors, engineers, developers to enable their systems to interoperate
- Layers networking tasks, protocols and services into different layers
- Each layer has its own responsibilities regarding how two computers communicate over a network



# COMPUTERS COMMUNICATE VIA NETWORK

- Protocols function in specific OSI layers
- Each protocol on one computer communicates with the same corresponding protocol within the same OSI layer on another computer
- Via logical channels
- At the physical layer electronic/light signals are passed from one computer over a wire/fiber optic cable to the other computer

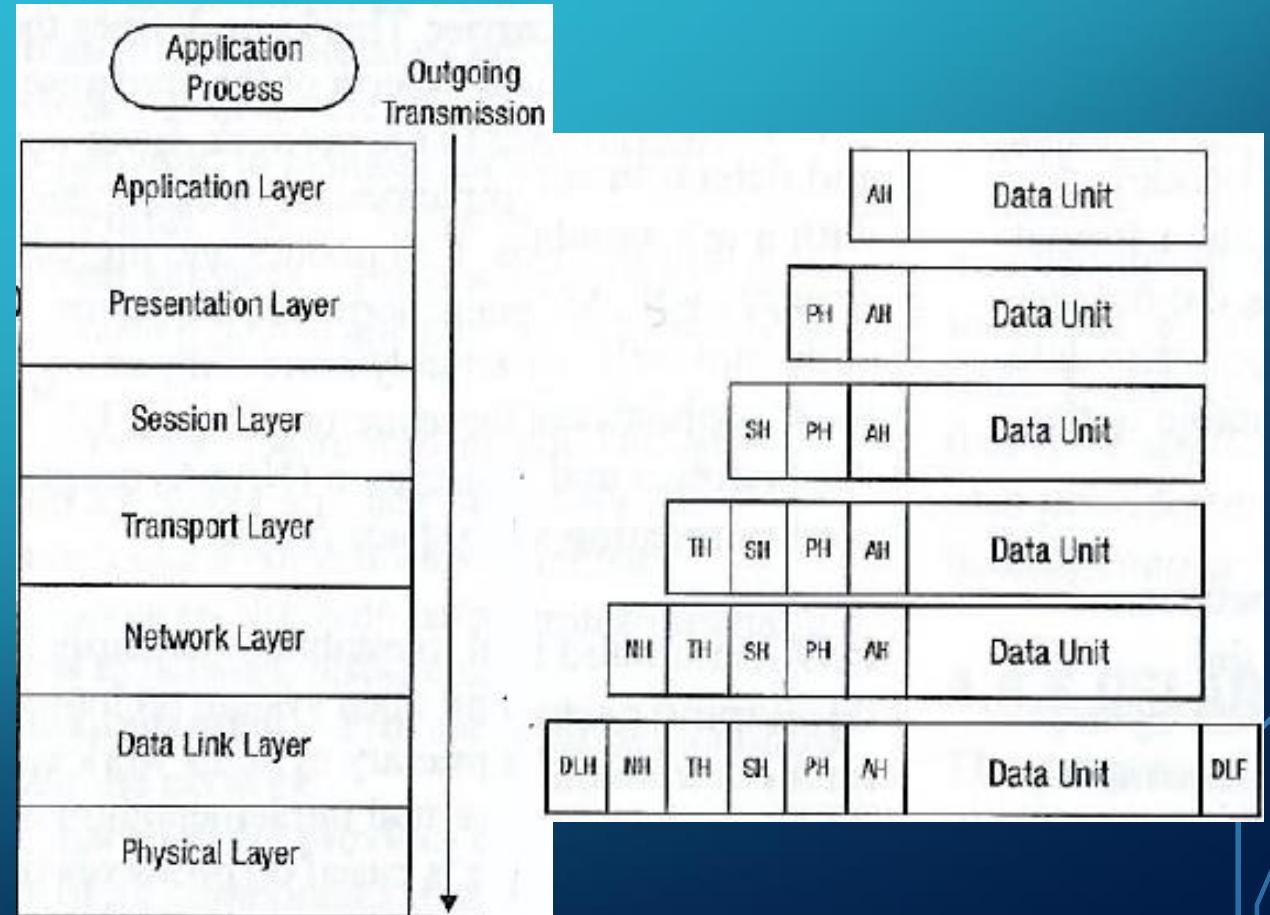


# ENCAPSULATION

Process by which a protocol is used to enable two computers to communicate with each other within a specific OSI layer on each

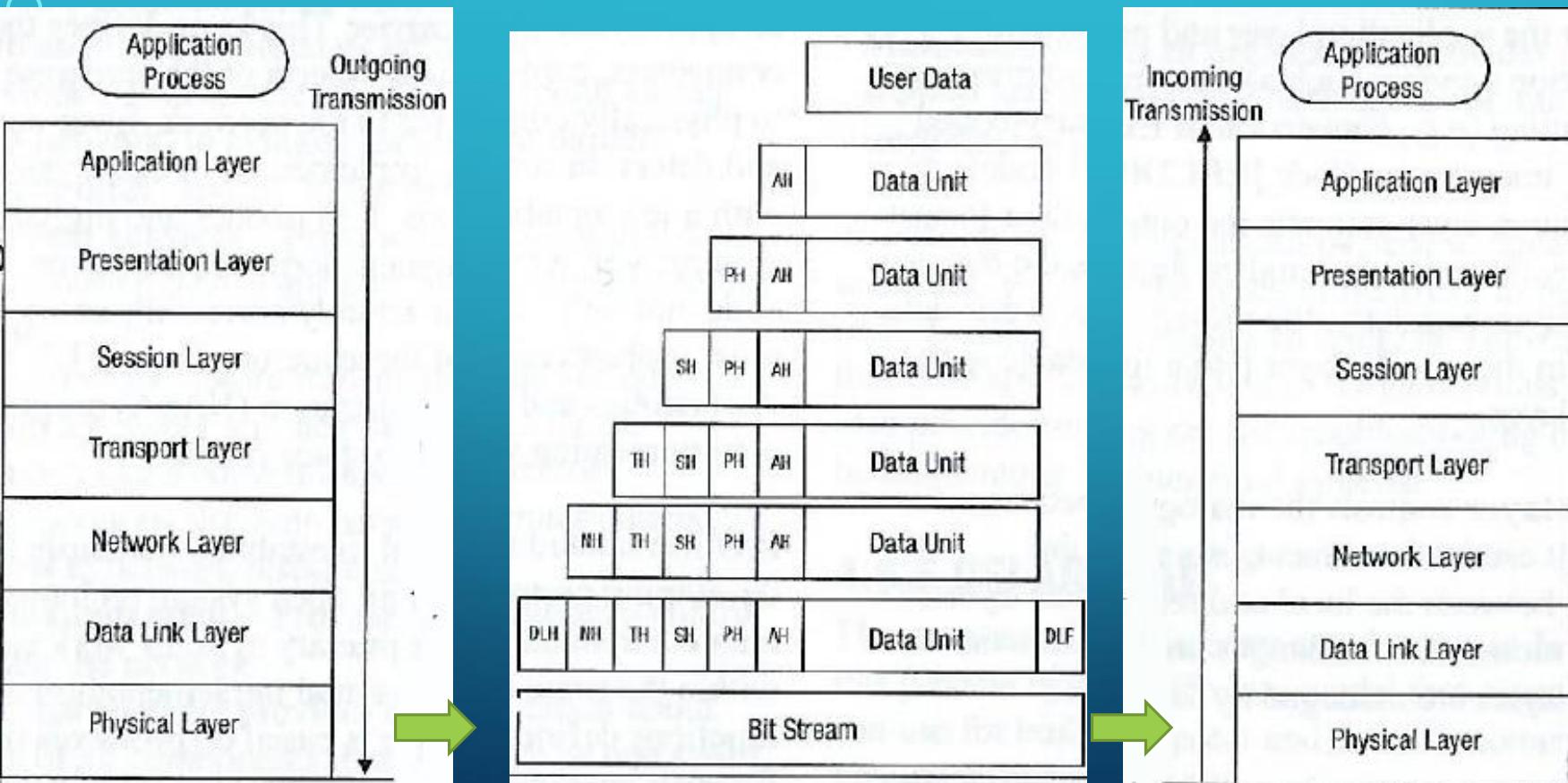
1. A message is constructed within a program on one computer and passed down through the network protocol's stack...

A protocol at each layer adds its own information to the message, and the message grows in size as it does down the protocol stack



# ENCAPSULATION

- At the physical layer of the network the message is passed by the sending computer as bits via electronic or light pulses (on/off) across the network to the destination computer



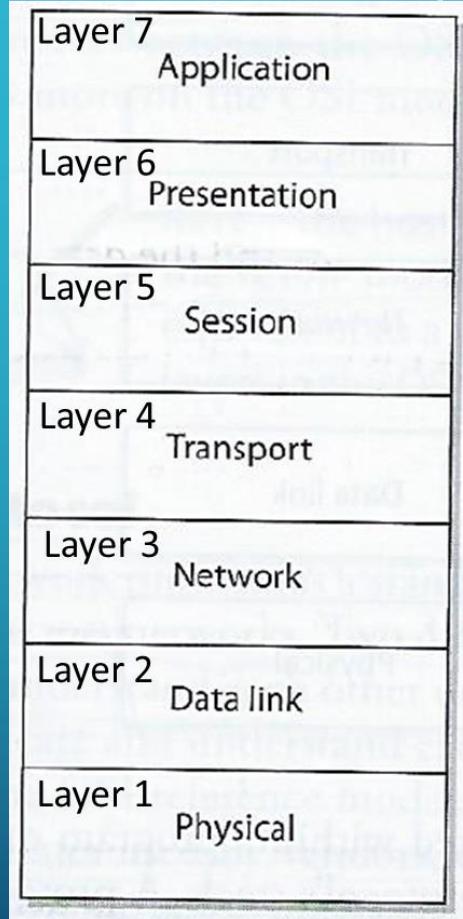
- At the destination computer the encapsulation is reversed taking the message apart via the protocols of each layer until the data is ready for the application processing

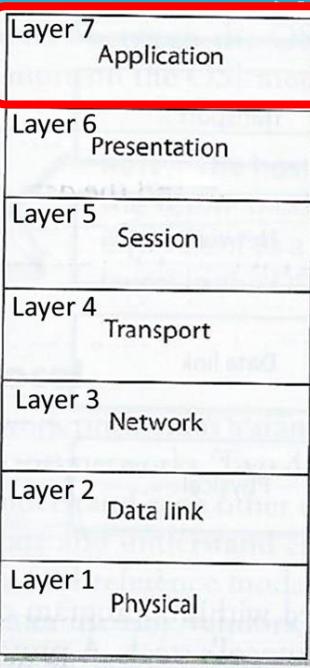
# OSI LAYERS

- Implementing international standard protocols and interfaces makes them part of an “open system” in which different vendor’s technologies can communicate with one another
- Being part of an open system of common protocols makes the different OSI layers vulnerable and targets of attack

A network can be:

1. Used as a channel of an attack – i.e. as a resource for an attacker
  - For example: Attacker sends a virus via a network channel from one system to another
2. The target of an attack
  - For example: Attacker carries out a denial-of-service (DoS) attack which sends a large volume of badly formed protocol message traffic over a network link to bog it down





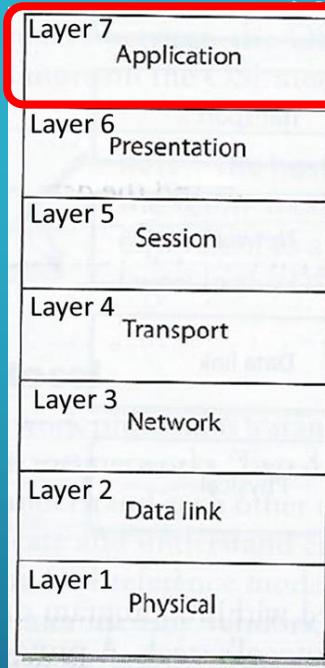
# LAYER 7: APPLICATION LAYER

Works closest to the user – providing protocols that support the user's applications

For example: *File transmissions, message exchanges, terminal sessions...*

- When an application needs to send data over the network, it uses application layer protocols to prepare and communicate its instructions and data

*Application layer properly formats the data and sends it down to the presentation layer... (after data makes it through all the layers it has all the information needed to transmit it over the network)*



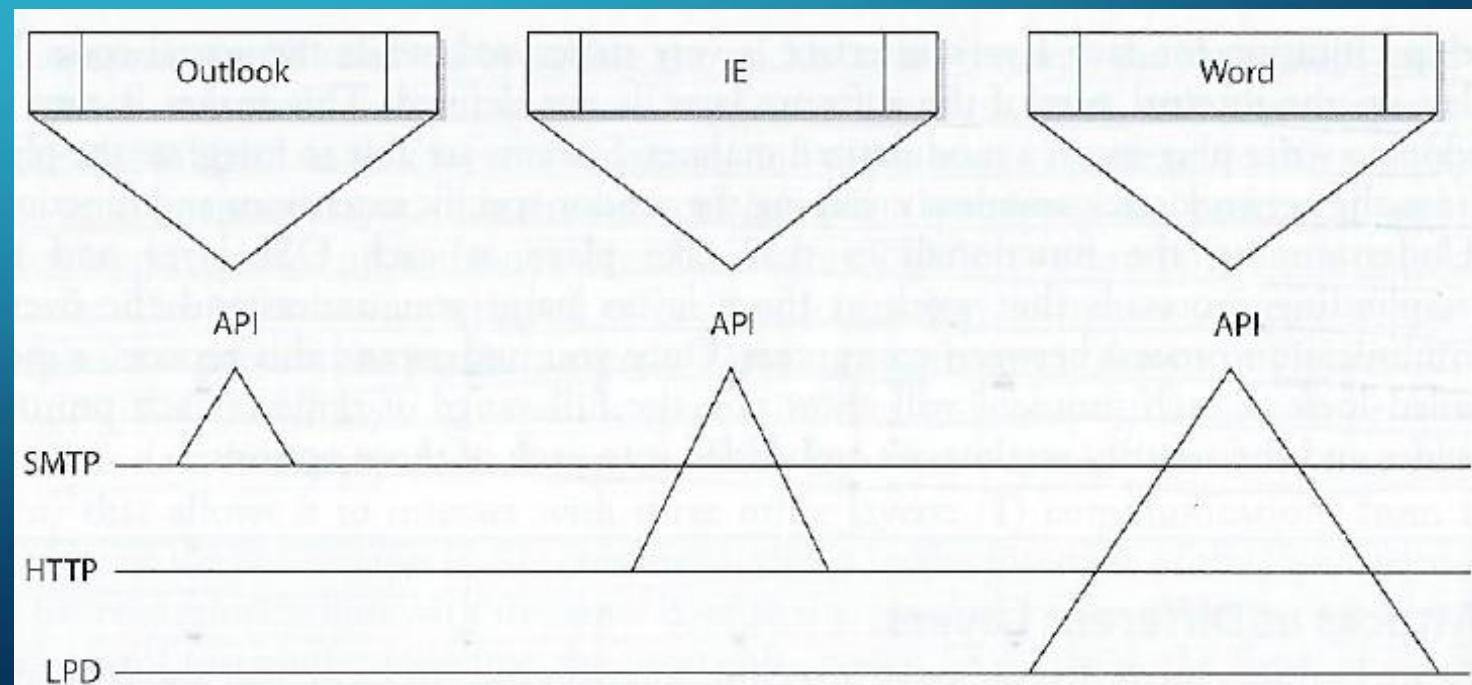
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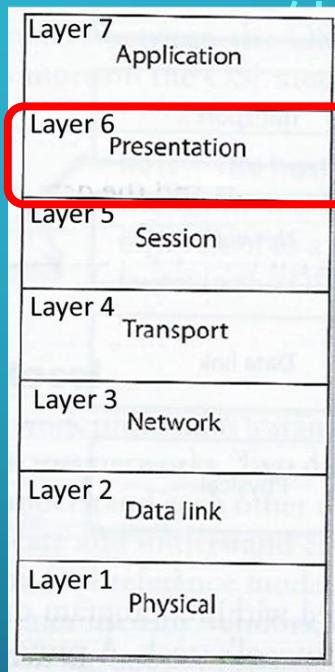
Protocols functioning at this layer communicate include:

- SMTP – Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
- HTTP – Hyper Text Transfer Protocol
- DNS – Domain Name System
- IRC – Internet Relay Chat
- LPD – Line Printer Daemon

Applications communicate with Layer 7 protocols by sending requests using Application Program Interface (API) libraries

E.g. Outlook user clicks send, and the email client sends this information to SMTP which adds information to the user's message and passes it down to the Presentation Layer





# LAYER 6: PRESENTATION LAYER

Receives data from the application layer protocol and puts it in a standard format with annotation that enables any process operating at Layer 6 on destination computer can understand

## Presentation layer

1. Translates the format of data an application is using into a standard format used for passing messages over a network
2. Adds file type data to tell destination computer the file type and how to process and present it
3. Handles compression and encryption requests and adds data that enables the receiving computer to know how to decompress and decrypt the data

# LAYER 6: PRESENTATION LAYER

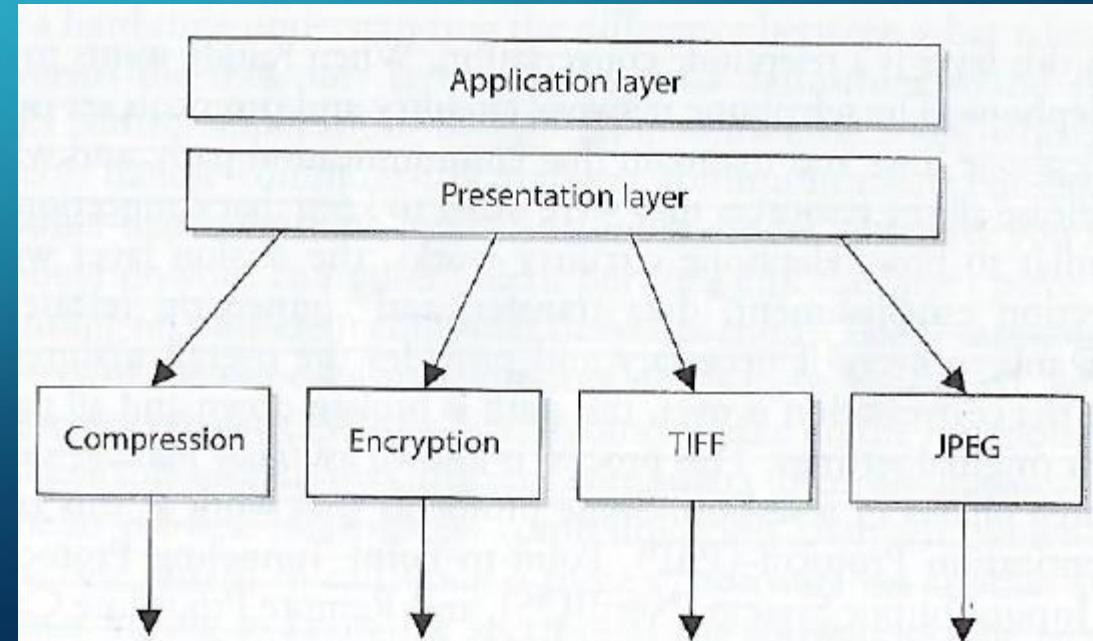
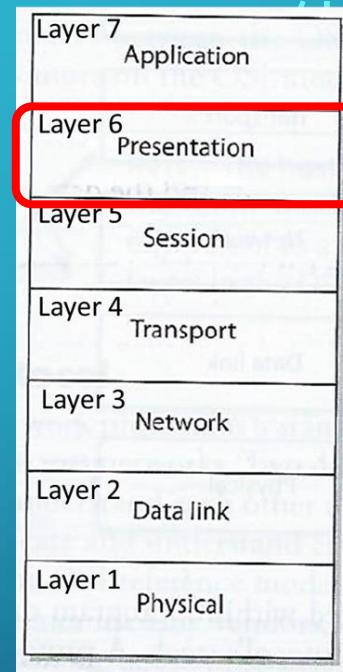
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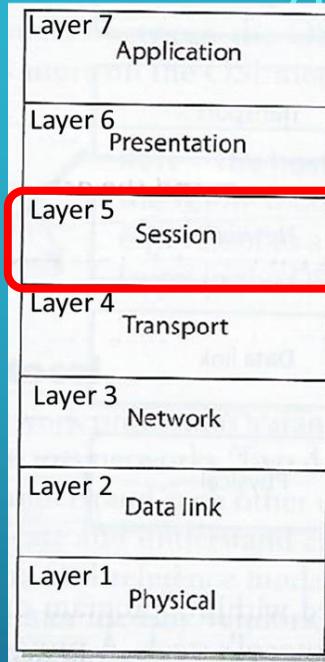
- MIME – Multipurpose Internet Main Extensions standards
- TIFF - Tagged Image File Format
- GIF – Graphic Interchange Format
- JPEG – Joint Photographic Experts Group

For example, user compresses file on Windows computer with WinZip sends it to someone on Linux computer

When the Linux computer receives the file, it looks at the file header, interprets the header's MIME type (Content-Type: application/zip) and knows what application can decompress the file

If systems does not have WinZip or other program that understands the compression/decompression instructions, the file will be presented to the user with an unassociated icon





# LAYER 5: SESSION LAYER

When two applications need to communicate or transfer data between themselves, Layer 5 is responsible for:

1. Establishing a connection between two applications
  2. Dialog management to maintain the connection during the transfer of data
    - *Restarts and recovers the session to maintain the connection if needed*
  3. Controlling release of the connection
- Provides inter-process communication channels, enables one software module on a local system to call a second software module running on a remote system. The results of the second module are returned to the first system over the same session protocol channel

*The session layer protocol enables 3 different modes of communications between 2 applications running on different computers across the network:*

1. **Simplex:** Communication takes place in one direction (very seldom used)
2. **Half-duplex:** Communication takes place in both directions, but only one application can send information at a time
3. **Full-duplex:** Communication takes place in both directions , and both applications can send information at the same time

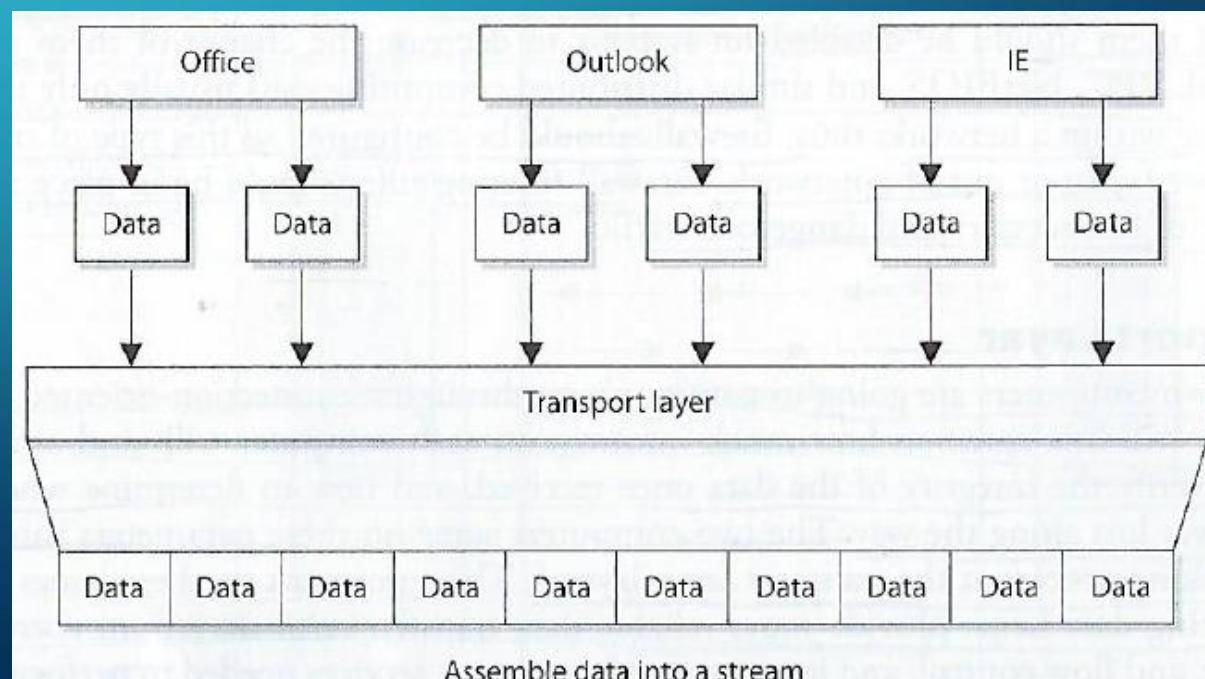
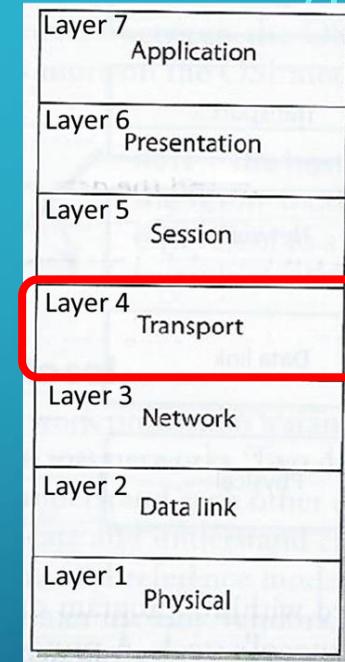
# LAYER 4: TRANSPORT LAYER

Establishes a logical connection between two computer systems and provides end-to-end data transport services

Provides connection level protocols for two computers to engage in a “handshaking process” and agree on parameters for:

1. How much data each computer will send at a time
2. How to verify data integrity once received
3. How to determine if a data packet was lost

Receives data from different applications and assembles their data into a stream for transmission over the network



# LAYER 4: TRANSPORT LAYER

**Transport layer** protocol controls data flow across computer to computer connections without tracking connections between individual pairs of applications communicating across the network

# Protocols:

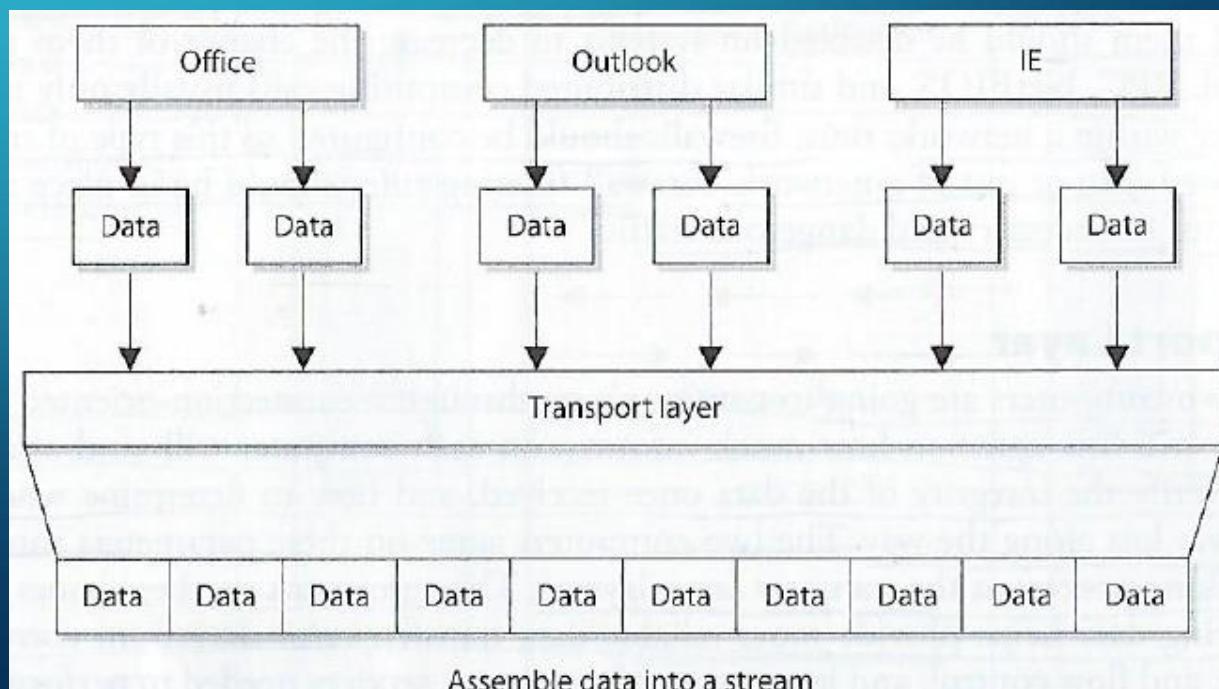
- TCP – Transmission Control Protocol

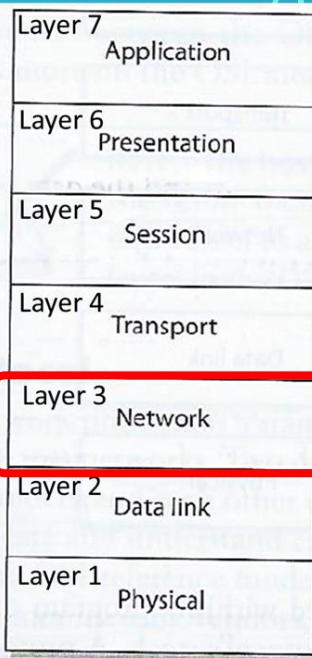
*Connection-oriented provides reliable data transmission*

- UDP – User Datagram Protocol

## *Connectionless*

**TLS – Transport Layer Security protocol, straddles both Session and Transport layers**





# LAYER 3: NETWORK LAYER'S

## Routing protocols

- Build and maintain routing tables  
*Routing tables are maps of the network*
- Determine best route to send packet from source computer to destination computer
- Inserts information into the data packet's header consisting of addresses (source and destination) and routes to their destination
- Do not guarantee delivery of packets

*Transport layer protocols catch problems and resend packets as needed (TCP not UDP)*

## Protocols

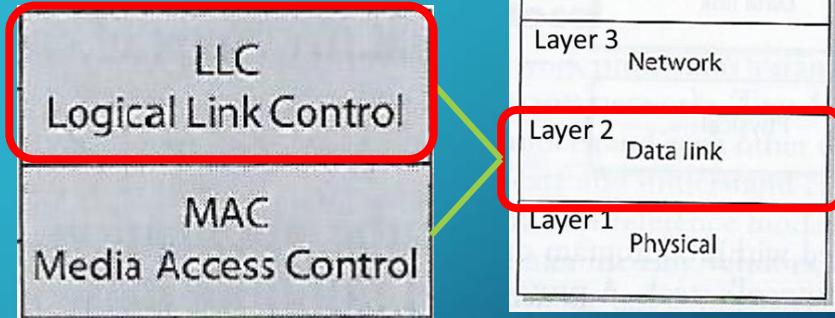
- IP – Internet Protocol
- ICMP – Internet Control Message Protocol
- RIP – Routing Information Protocol
- OSPF – Open Shortest Path First
- IPX – Internet Packet Exchange

**Routers operate on OSI Layer 3**

# LAYER 2: DATA LINK LAYER

Translates the data packet with header/footer information accumulated from layers above into

LAN (Local Area Network) or WAN (Wide Area Network) binary format for transmission over the network transmission line



After the network layer adds its routing information into the data packet, it passes the packet to the Data Link Layer's LCC sublayer

LCC sublayer takes care of flow of control and error checking and passes it to the MAC sublayer

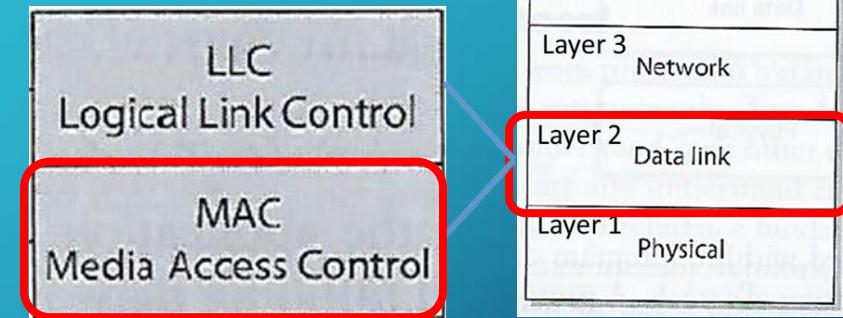
*Switches operation on OSI Layer 2*

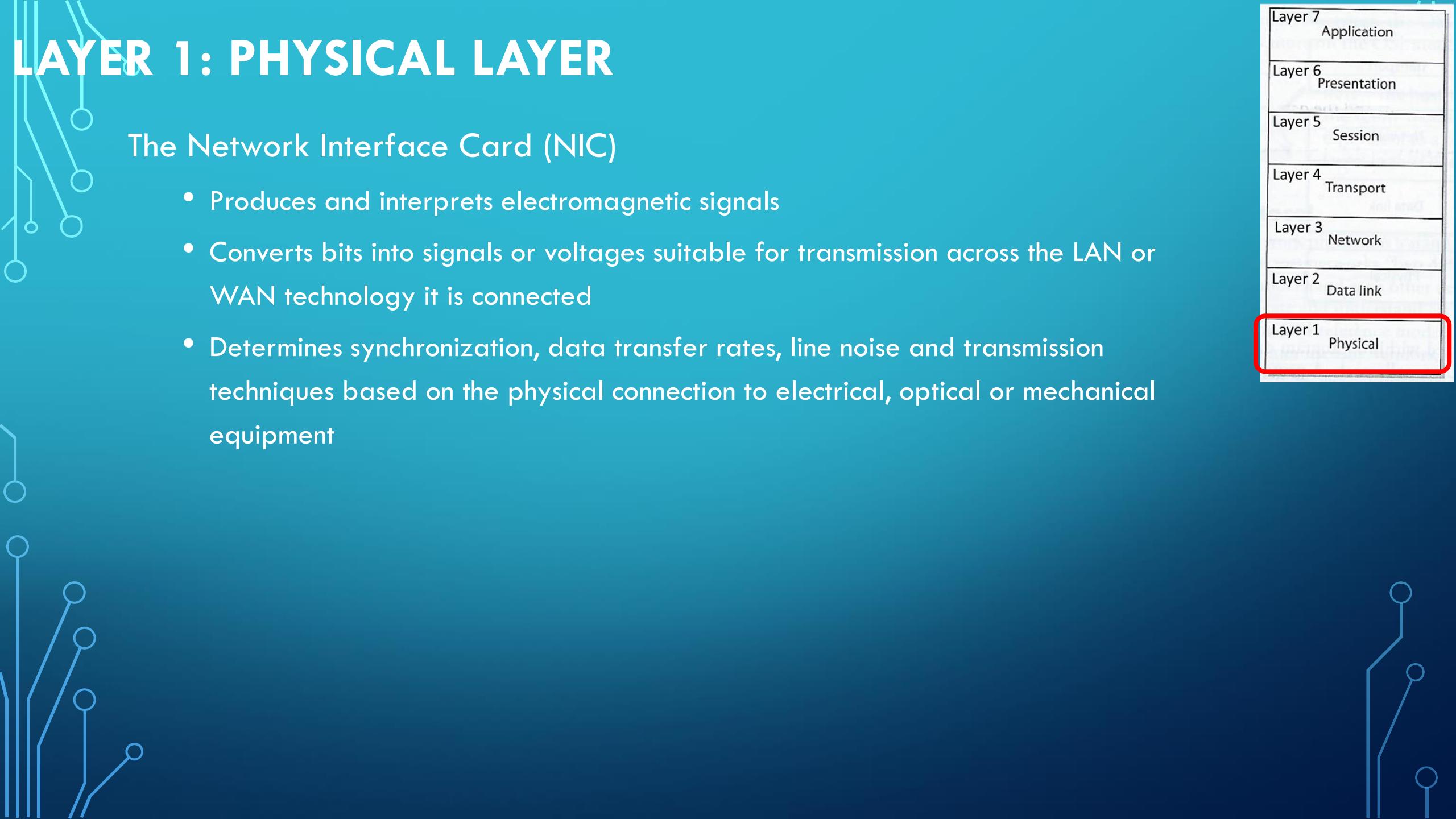
# LAYER 2: DATA LINK LAYER

The MAC sublayer determines if the data will be transmitted over a LAN or WAN, the network type and protocols and puts the last header and trailer on the packet before it is “put on the wire” and transmitted

*Each network type has a different:*

- *Header data format structure*
- *Protocol for physical transmission across the network type (coaxial, twisted pair, fiber optic cable; or wireless)*

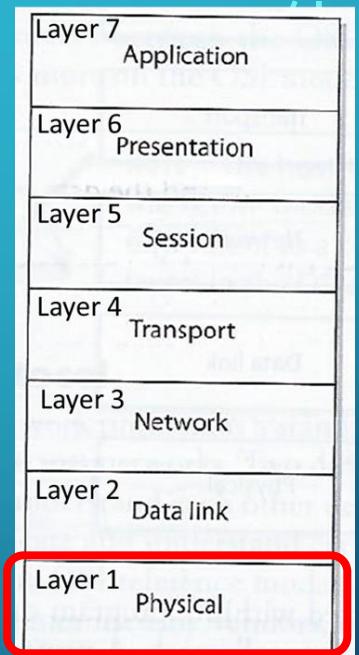




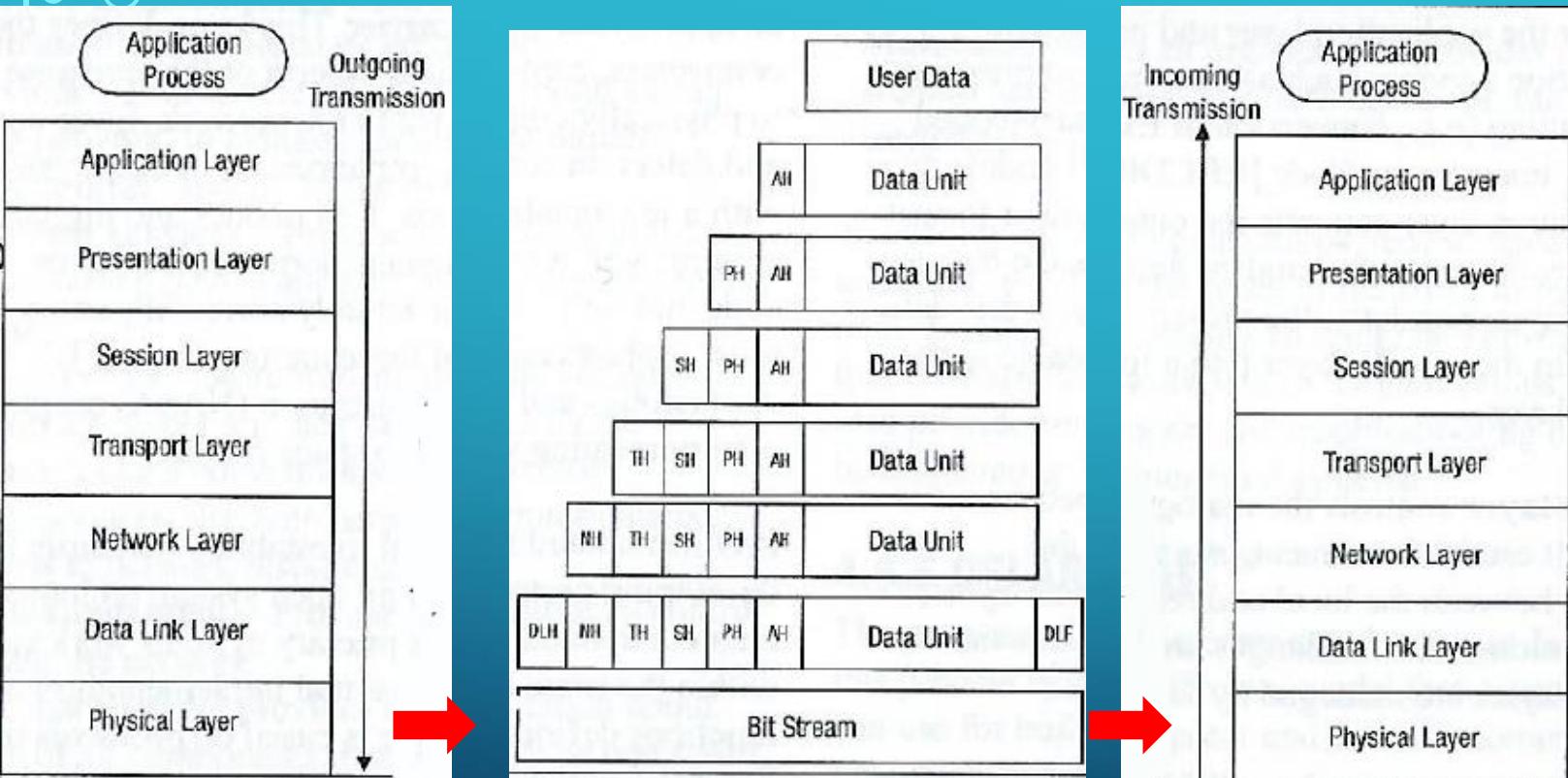
# LAYER 1: PHYSICAL LAYER

## The Network Interface Card (NIC)

- Produces and interprets electromagnetic signals
- Converts bits into signals or voltages suitable for transmission across the LAN or WAN technology it is connected
- Determines synchronization, data transfer rates, line noise and transmission techniques based on the physical connection to electrical, optical or mechanical equipment



# LAYER 1: PHYSICAL LAYER



Data/file requests and terminals

Standard formats, encryption, compression

Applications communicating data

Computers communicating

Routing packets formed

Data frames ready for transfer

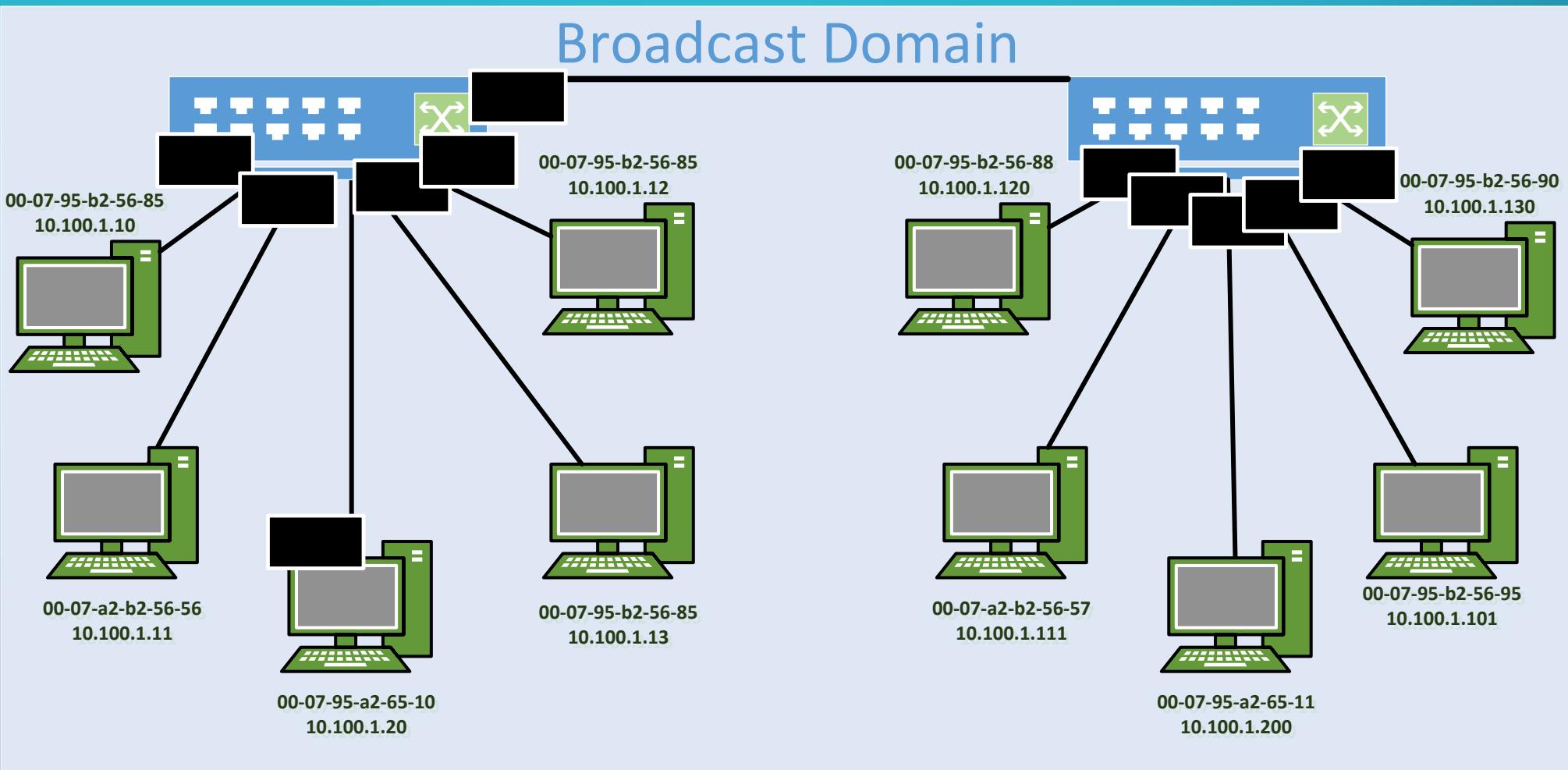
Signal processing

# SWITCHED ENVIRONMENTS



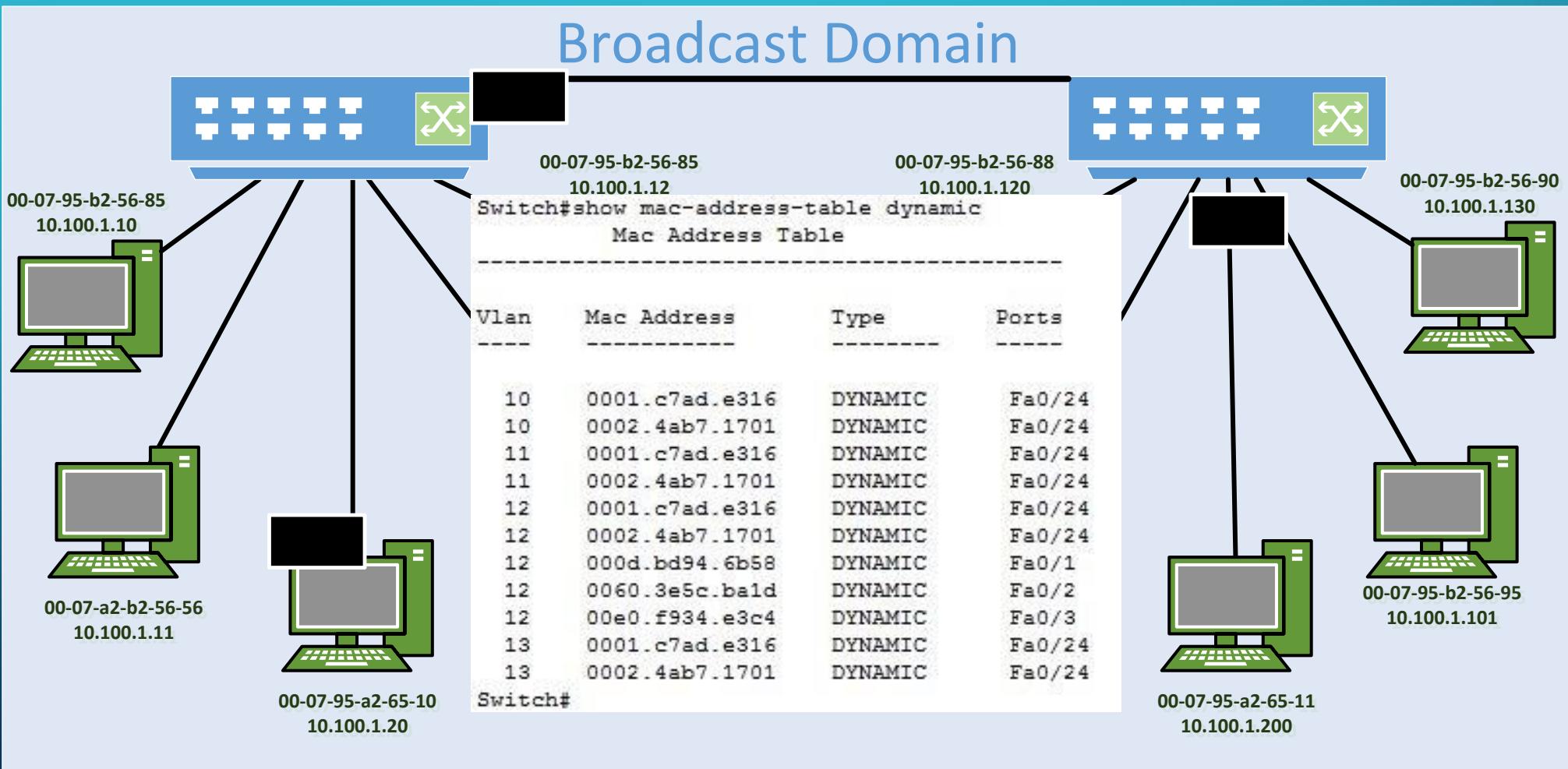
# NONE-SWITCH ENVIRONMENTS

All packets received by the hub are transmitted out all ports.



# SWITCH ENVIRONMENTS

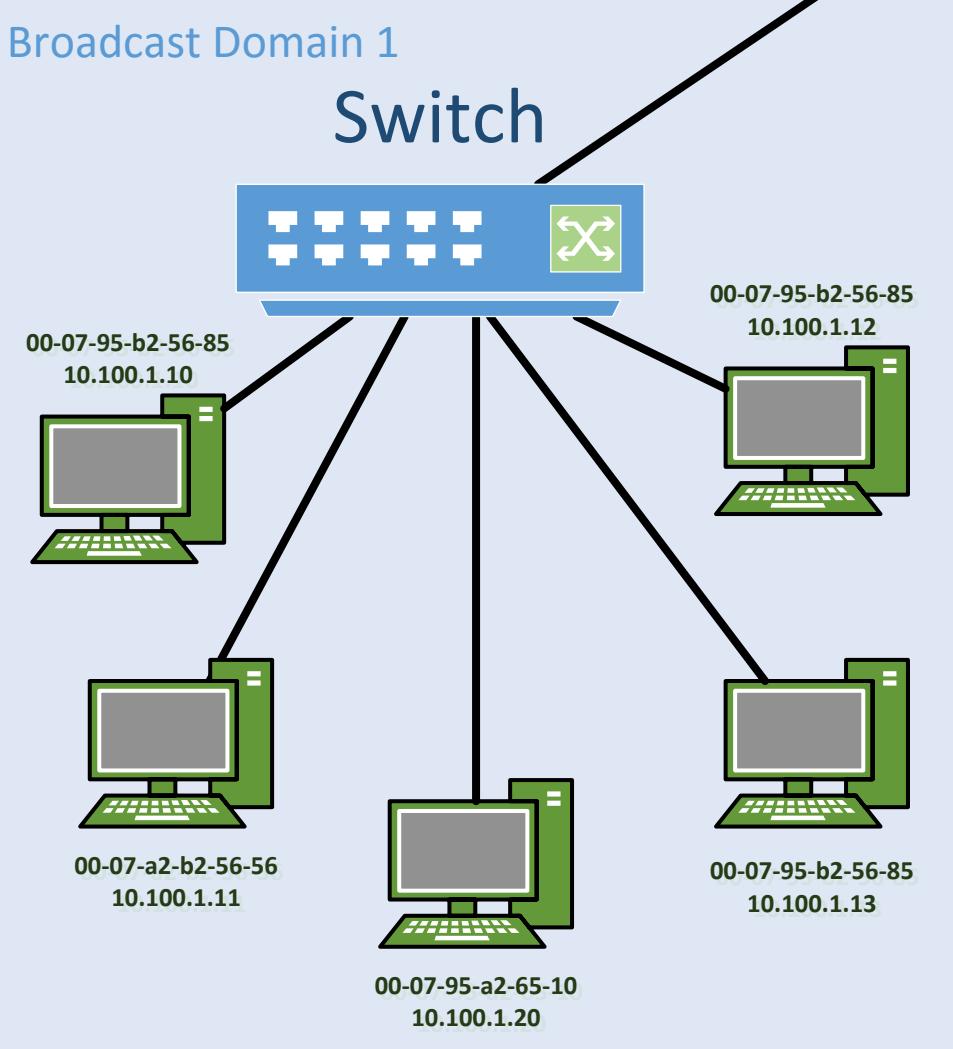
Packets received by the switch are transmitted out ports based on destination mac addresses



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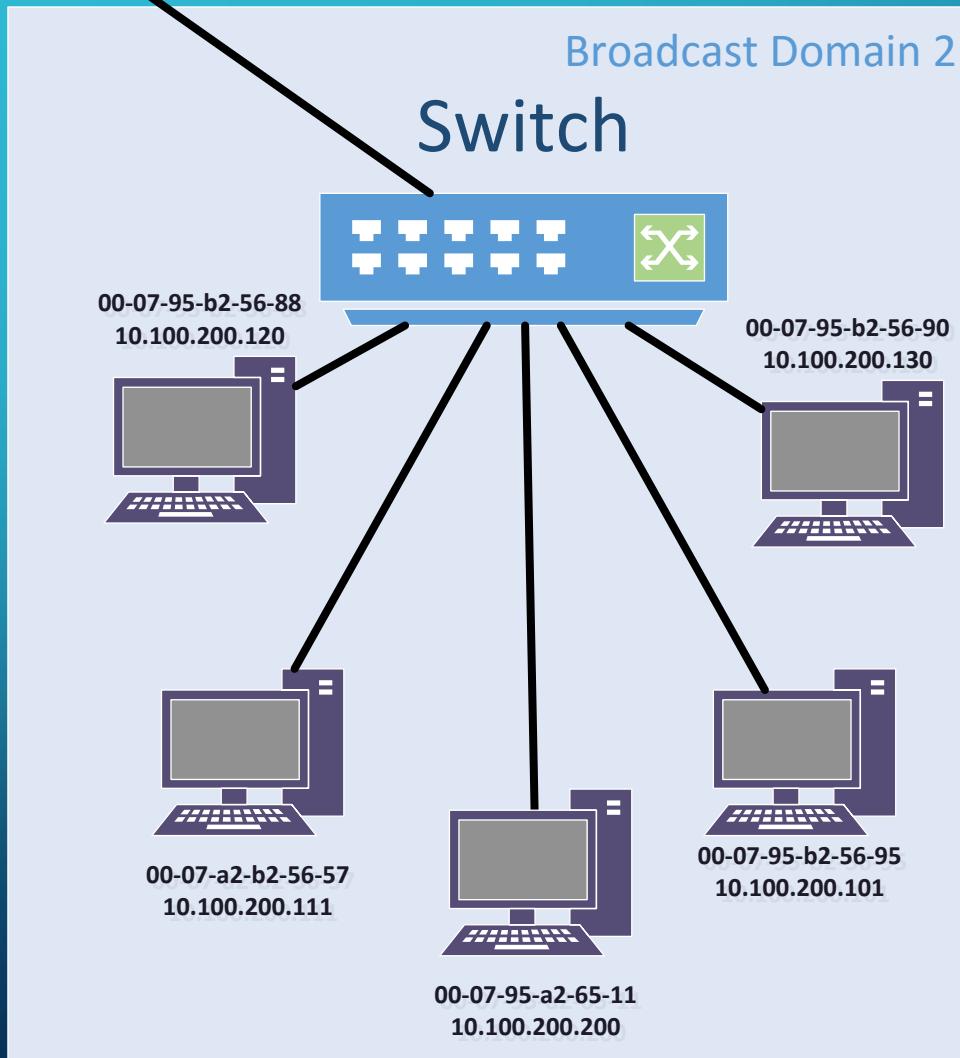


Broadcast Mac: FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:FF



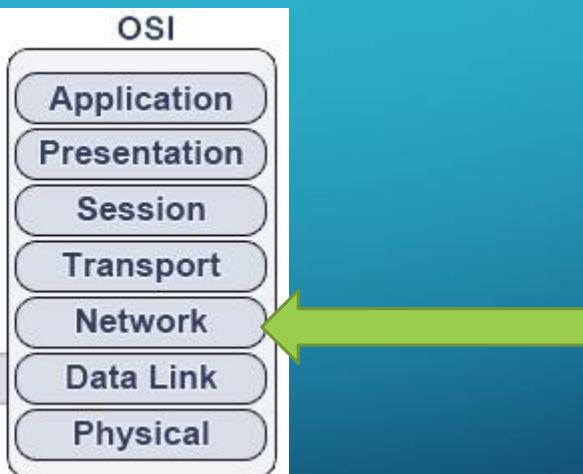
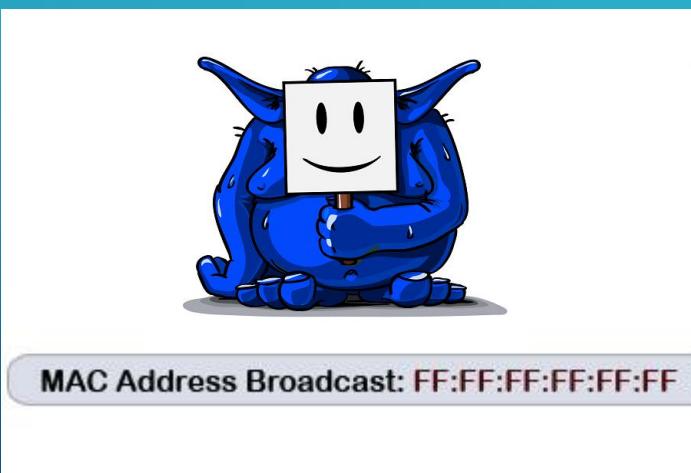
A broadcast domain is a logical division of a computer network, in which all nodes can reach each other by broadcast at the data link layer. A broadcast domain can be within the same LAN segment or it can be bridged to other LAN segments. - Wikipedia

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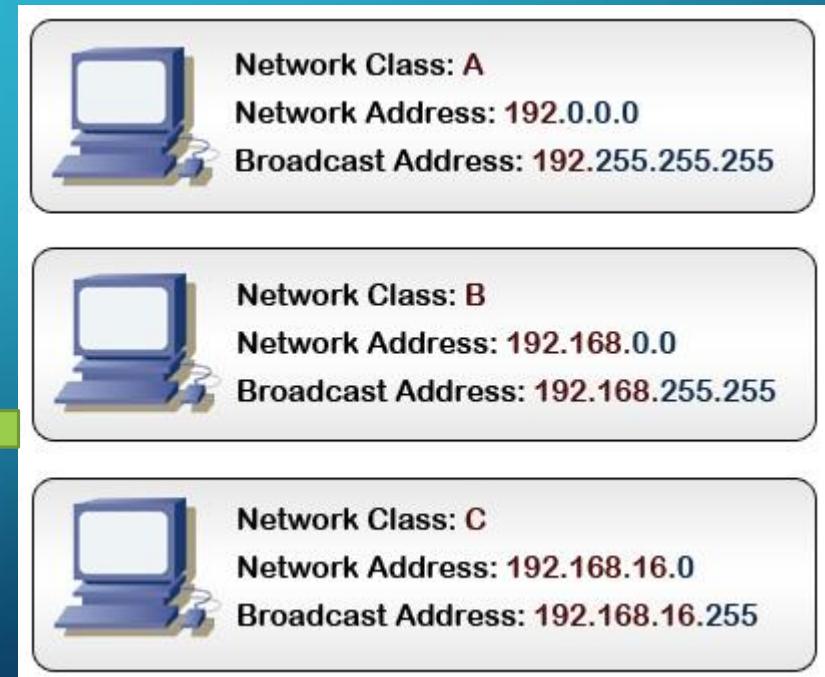


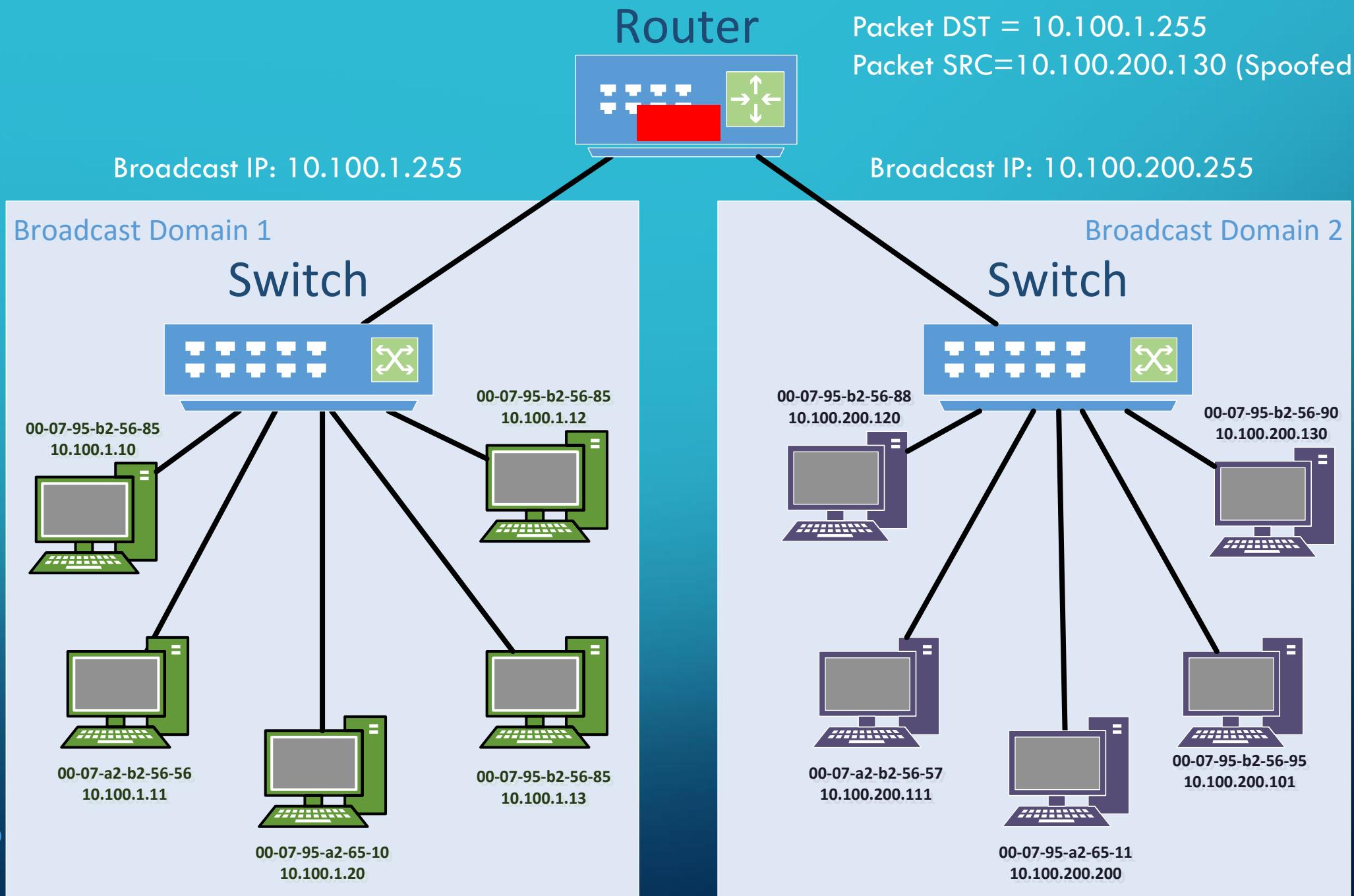
# BROADCAST DOMAIN

Attack type:  
ARP SPOOFING



Attack type:  
Smurf Attacks



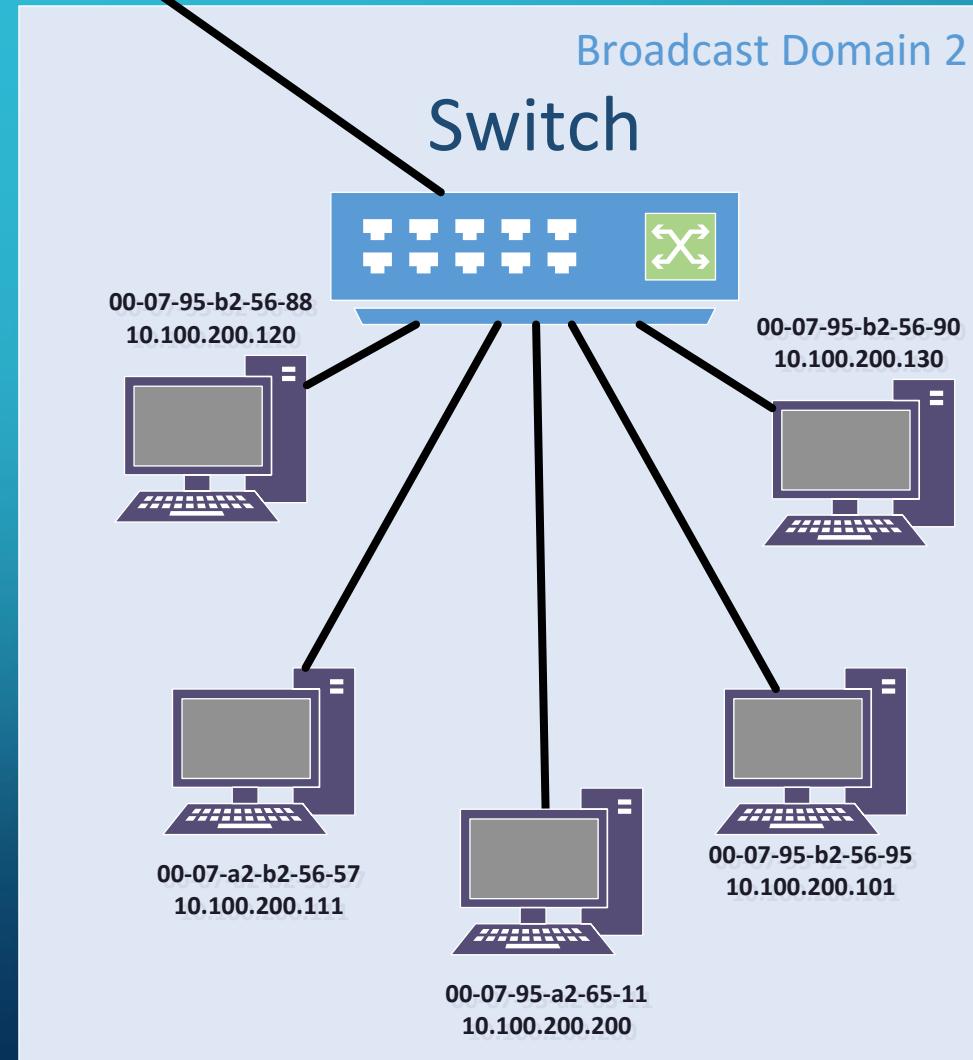
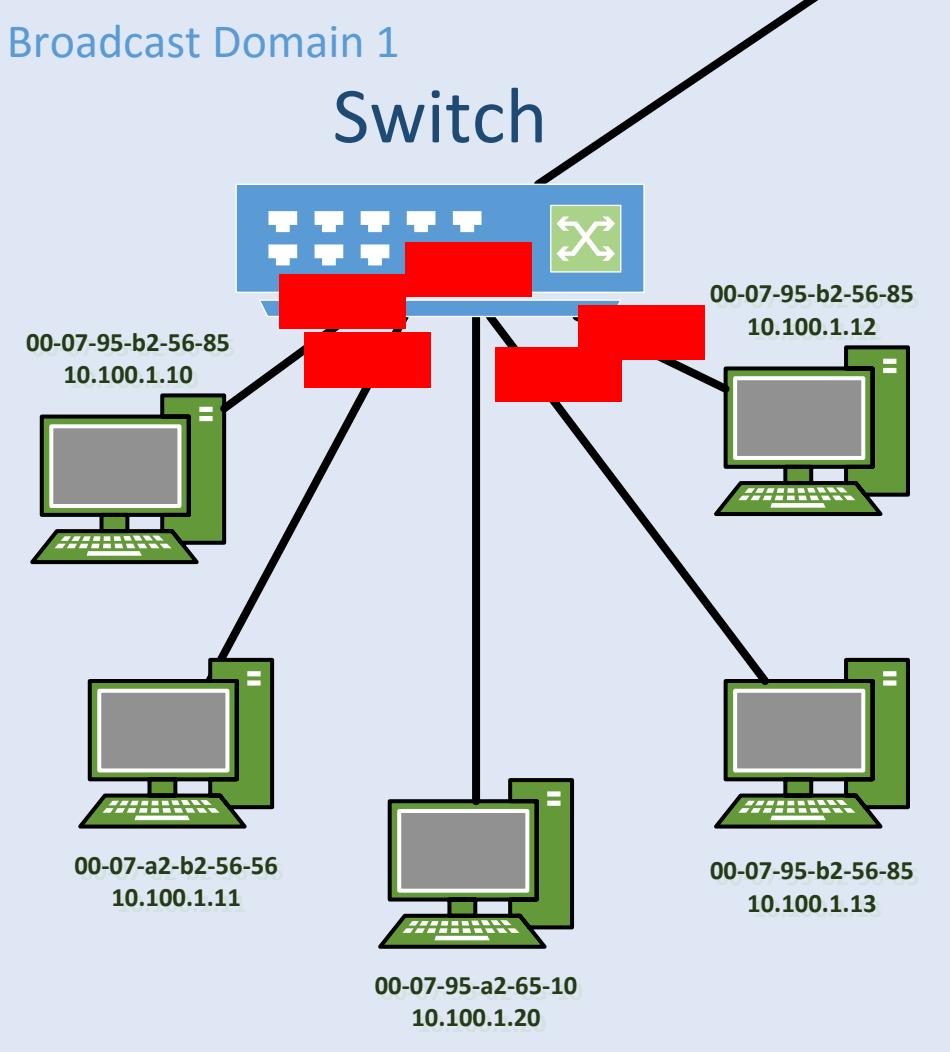


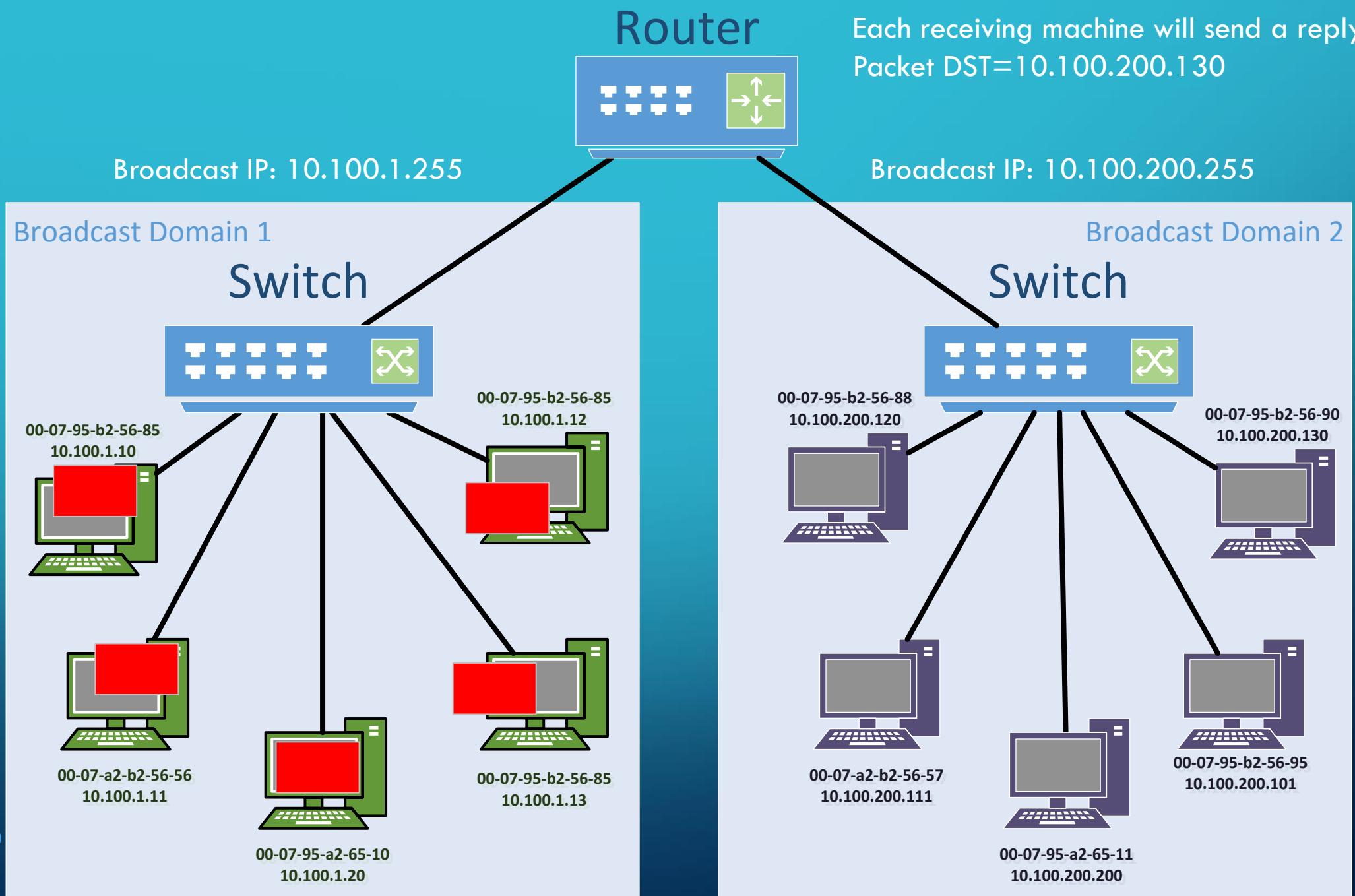
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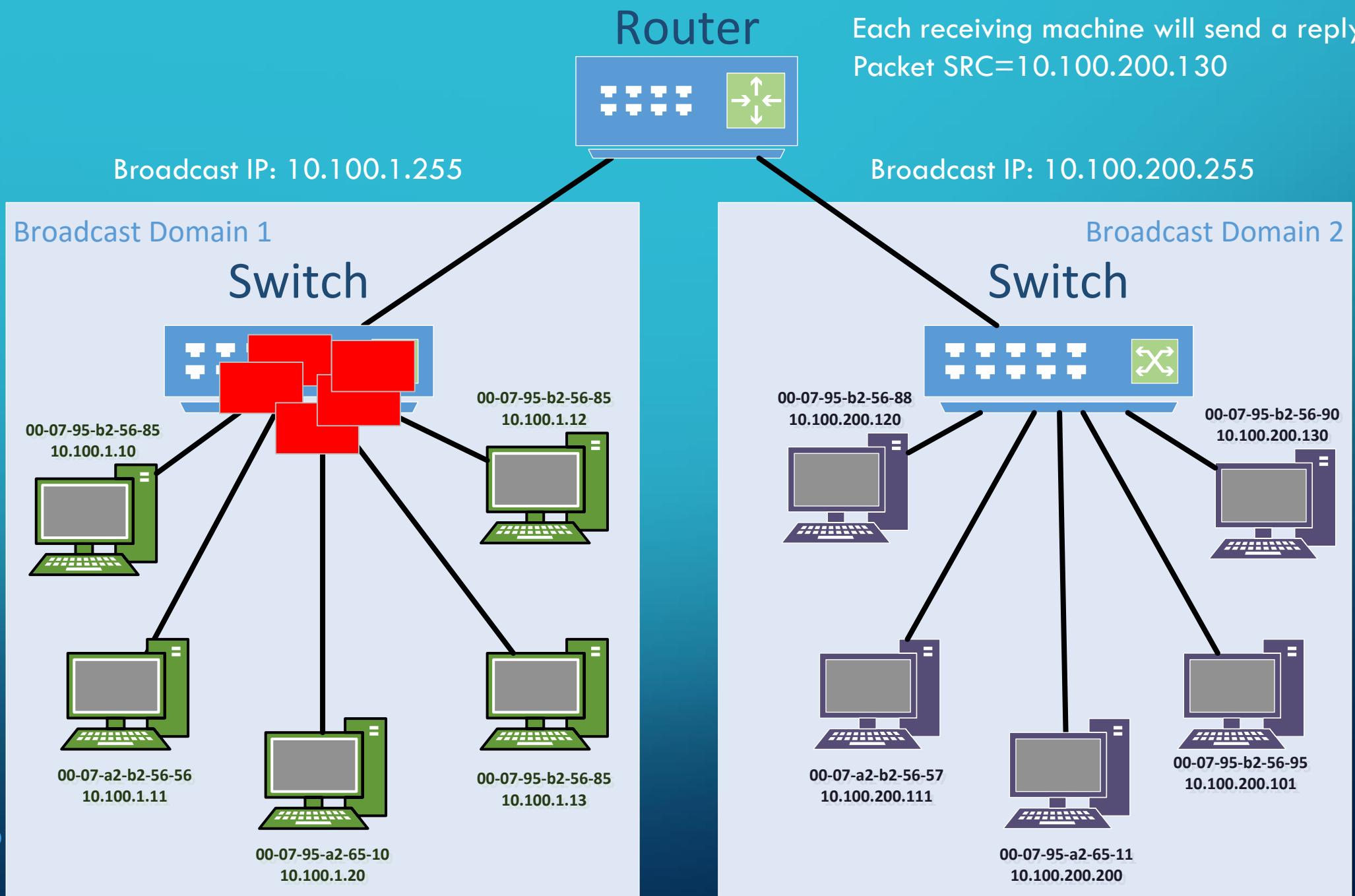


The router will change the DST mac address  
to FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:FF  
Packet DST = 10.100.1.255

Broadcast IP: 10.100.1.255







# ACCESS CONTROL LISTS (ACL)

# ROUTER ACCESS CONTROL LIST

Configure Standard IPv4 ACLs

## Configuring a Standard ACL

The diagram shows an incoming packet header being processed on interface G0/0. The header is divided into three segments: Incoming Packet Header, Data Segment (TCP Header), and Data. The process involves four decision points:

- First decision: Asking for 192.168.10.10? If Yes, Deny. If No, proceed.
- Second decision: Asking for 192.168.10.0 0.0.0.255? If Yes, Permit. If No, proceed.
- Third decision: Asking for 192.168.0.0 0.0.255.255? If Yes, Deny. If No, proceed.
- Fourth decision: Asking for 192.0.0.0 0.255.255.255? If Yes, Permit. If No, proceed.

If none of the rules match, the packet is implicitly denied.

### Example ACL

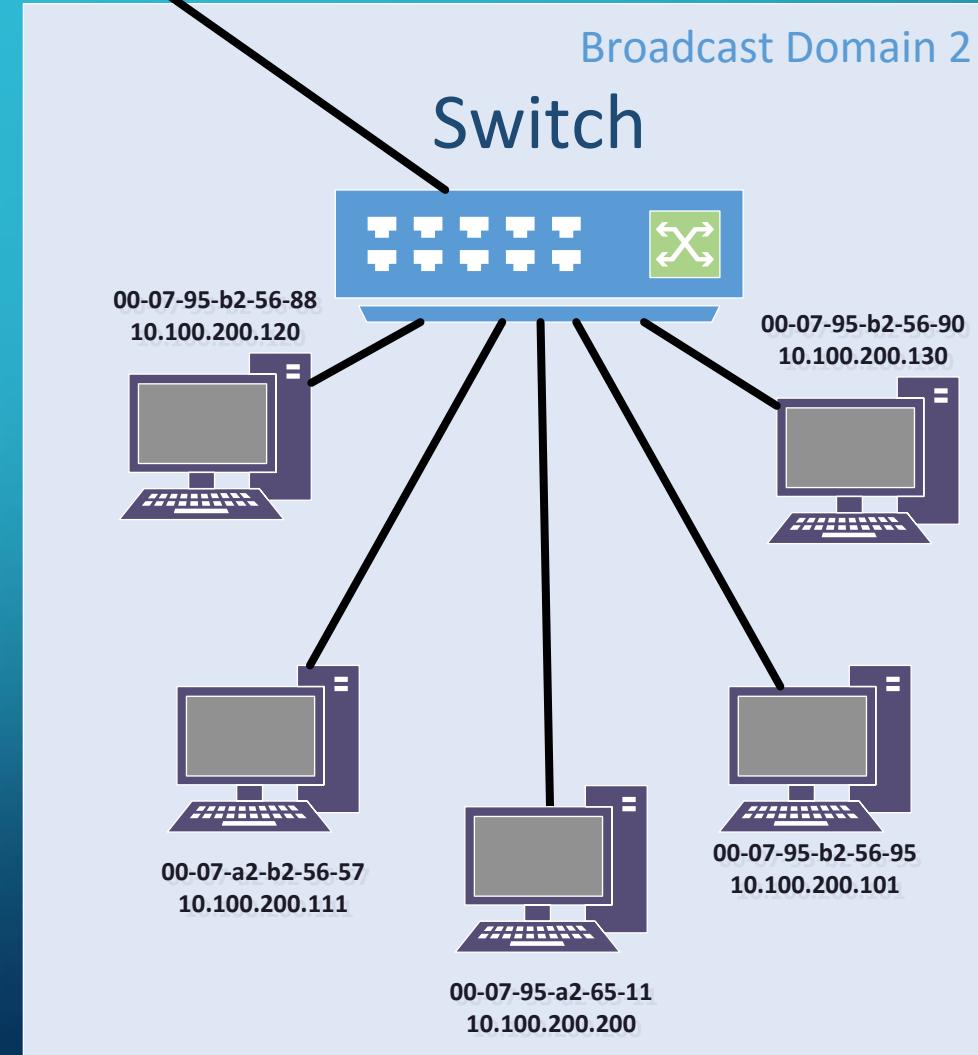
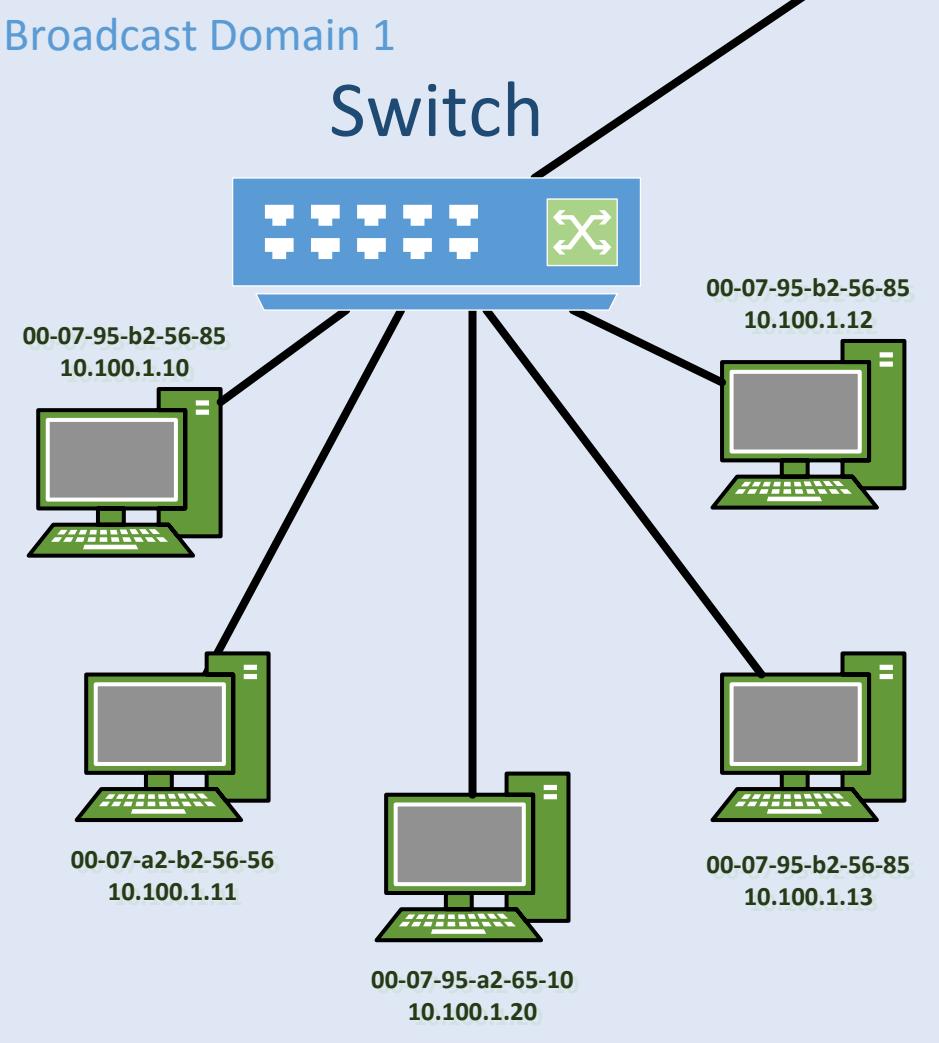
- access-list 2 deny host 192.168.10.10**
- access-list 2 permit 192.168.10.0 0.0.0.255**
- access-list 2 deny 192.168.0.0 0.0.255.255**
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# Router

NoSpoofing ACLs  
Allow SRC 10.100.1.1-10.100.1.254  
Deny all other SRCs

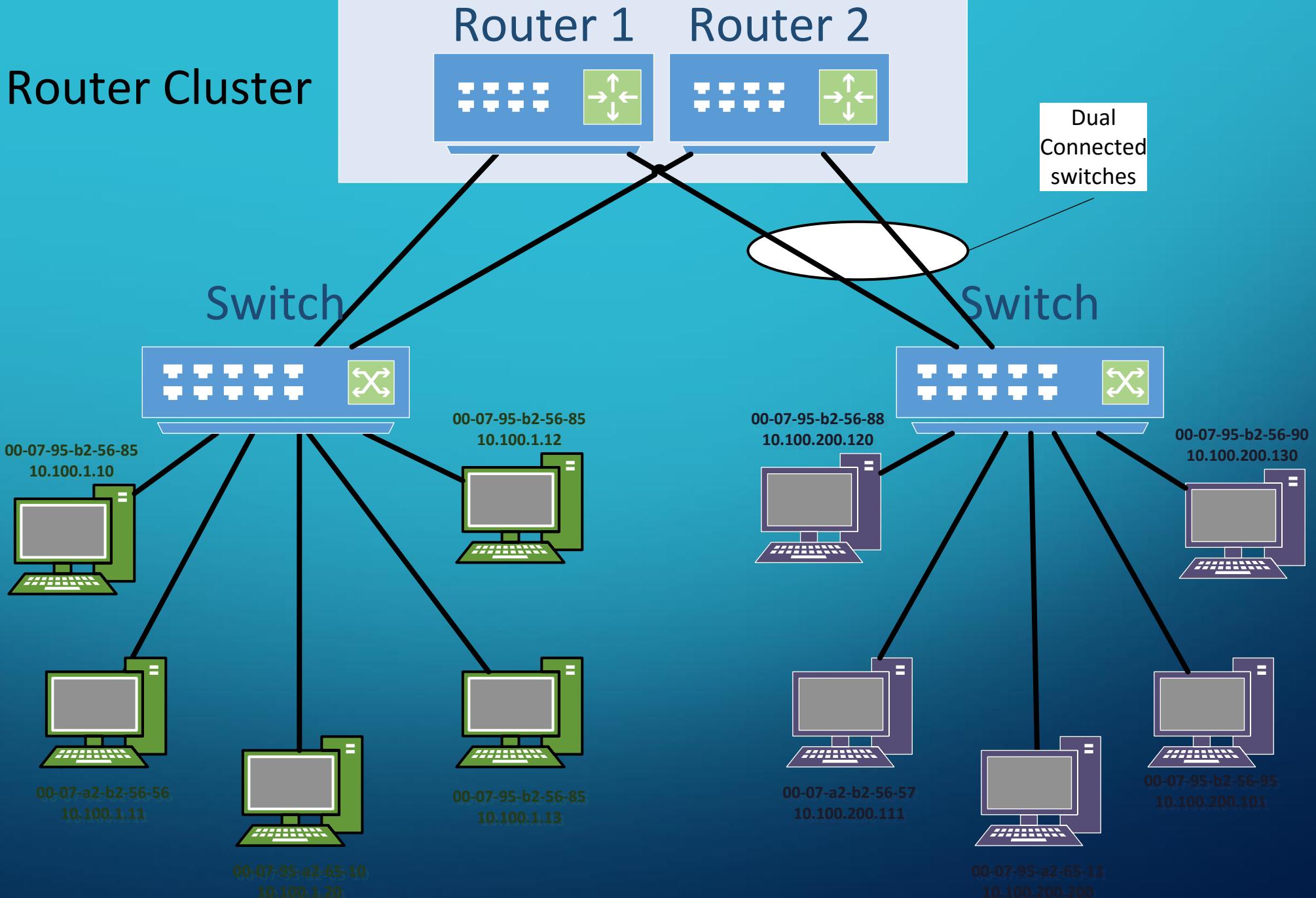
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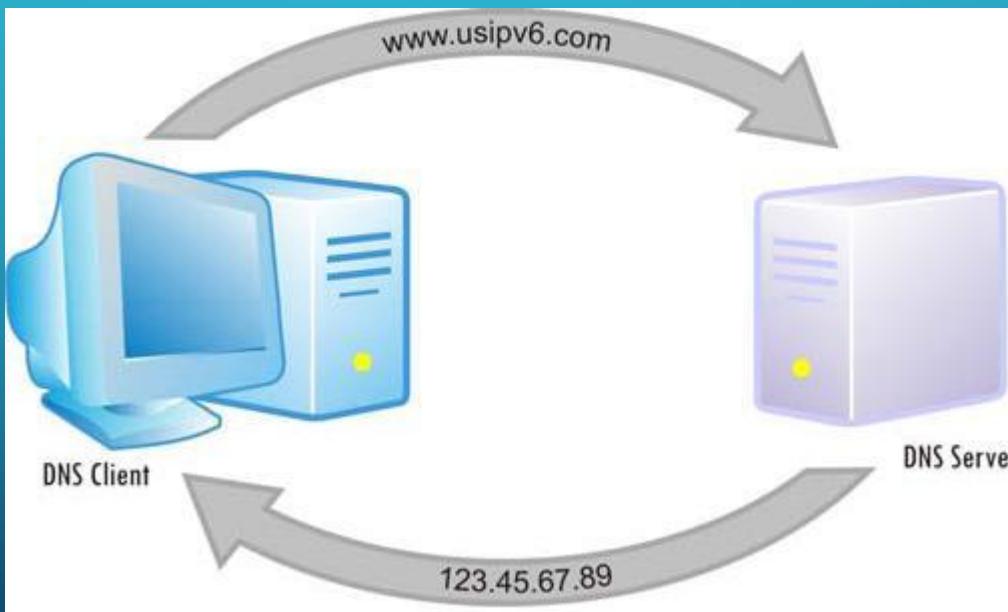
- **Access costs, speed, flexibility and reliability**
- **Critical infrastructure**
  - *Risk of downtime (loss of availability) ?*
  - *Impact of downtime?*
- **Business Continuity Planning**
  - *Role of Highly Available and Redundant networks*

# Router Cluster



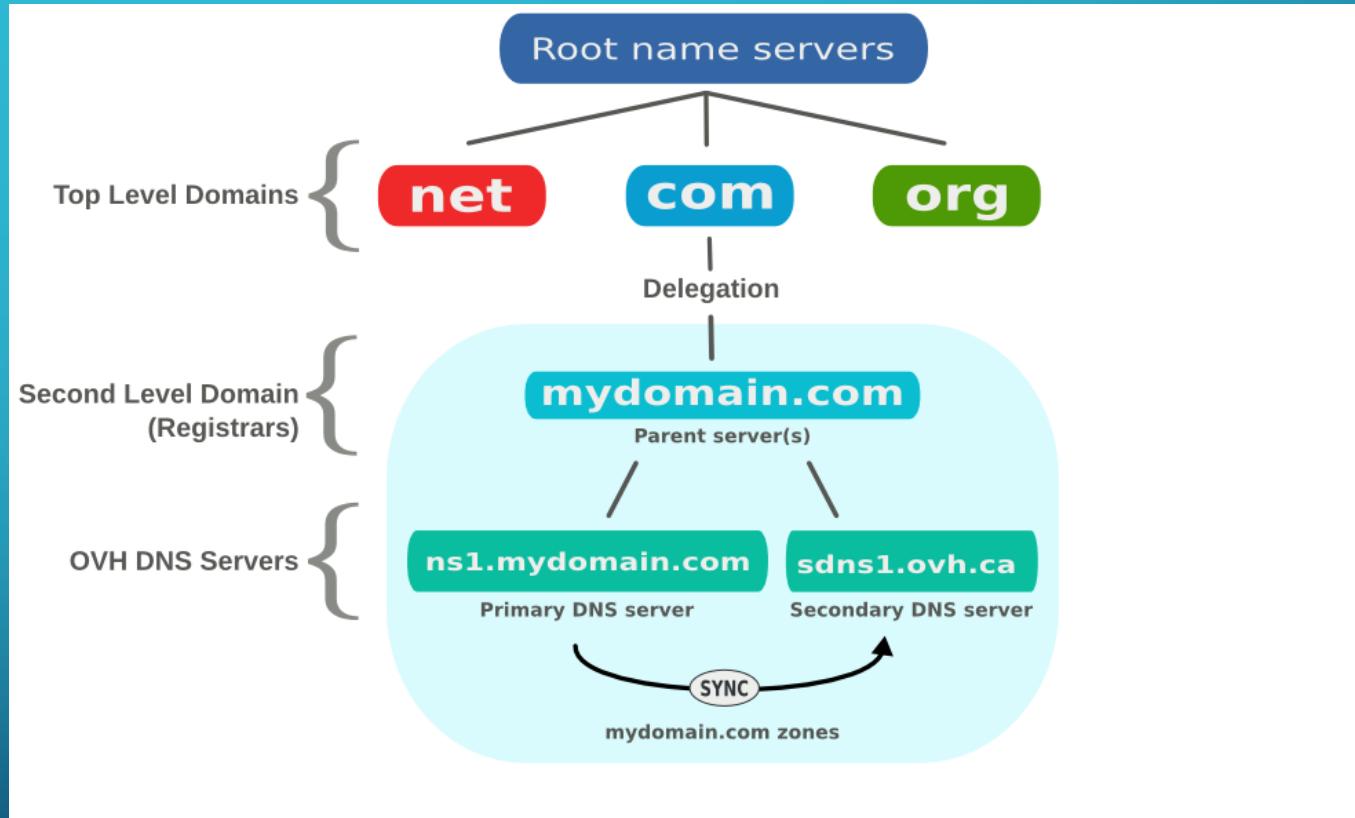
# DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM (DNS)

- Hostname-to-IP addressing translation: [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) to 151.101.32.73



# DOMAIN NAME SERVER (DNS)

- Hierarchical structure
- Root Servers
- Top-level domains
- Split-DNS
  - Internal vs External facing
- Vulnerability to attack

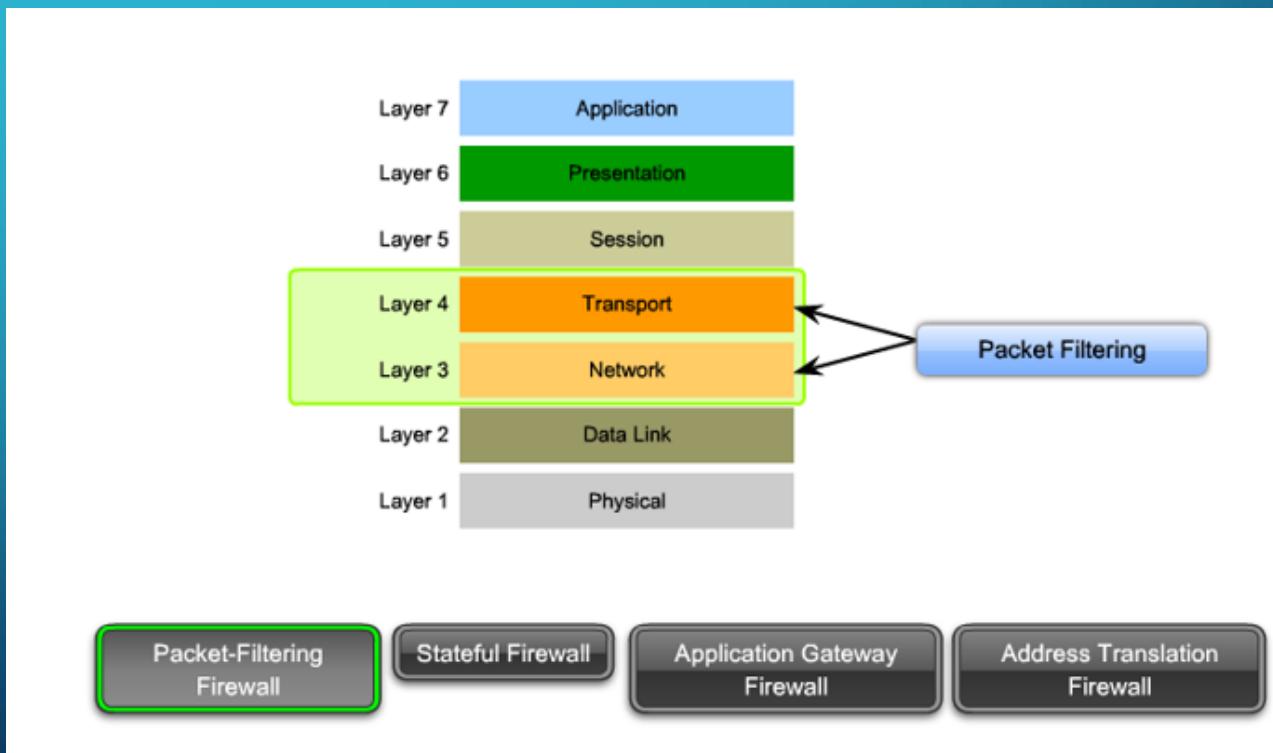
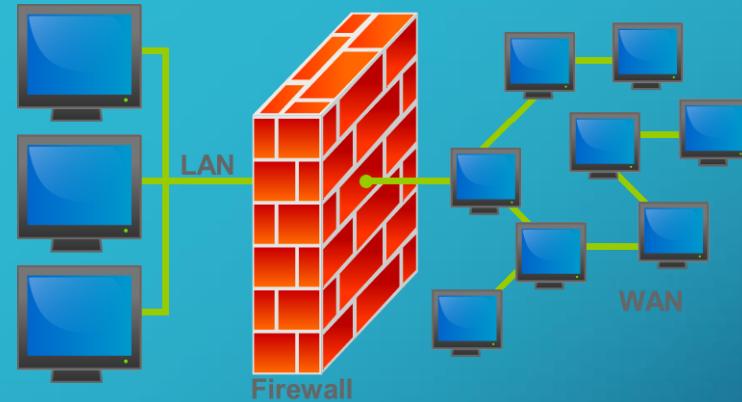




# FIREWALLS

# FIREWALL ROLES AND PLACEMENT

- Placed at network borders
  - Network Address Translation (NAT)
- Packet filtering
  - IP-Address
  - Port
- Application based
- Stateful inspection
  - Reassembling packets first
- IPS Inspections
- All equal “overhead” processing



# ATTACK METHODOLOGY

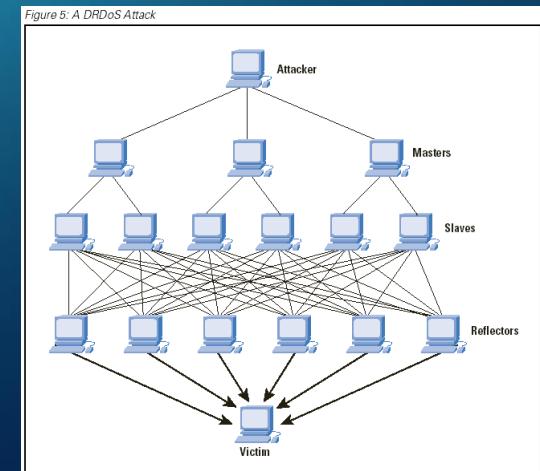
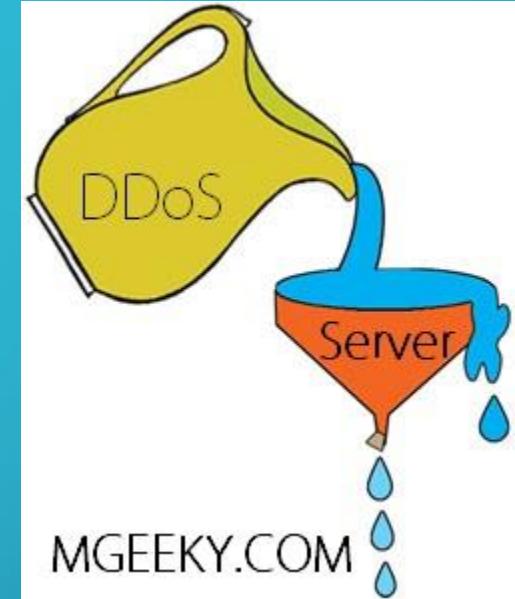


# ATTACK METHODOLOGY/COUNTER MEASURES



# DENIAL OF SERVICE ATTACKS (DOS)

- Rather than gaining access, deny access to others!
  - Two Types DoS or Distributed DoS
- By preventing networks and servers from handling legitimate traffic, attackers deny service.
- Overwhelm firewalls or servers with invalid traffic patterns that consume bandwidth, memory or CPU resources.
- Distributed means leveraging others in the attack.



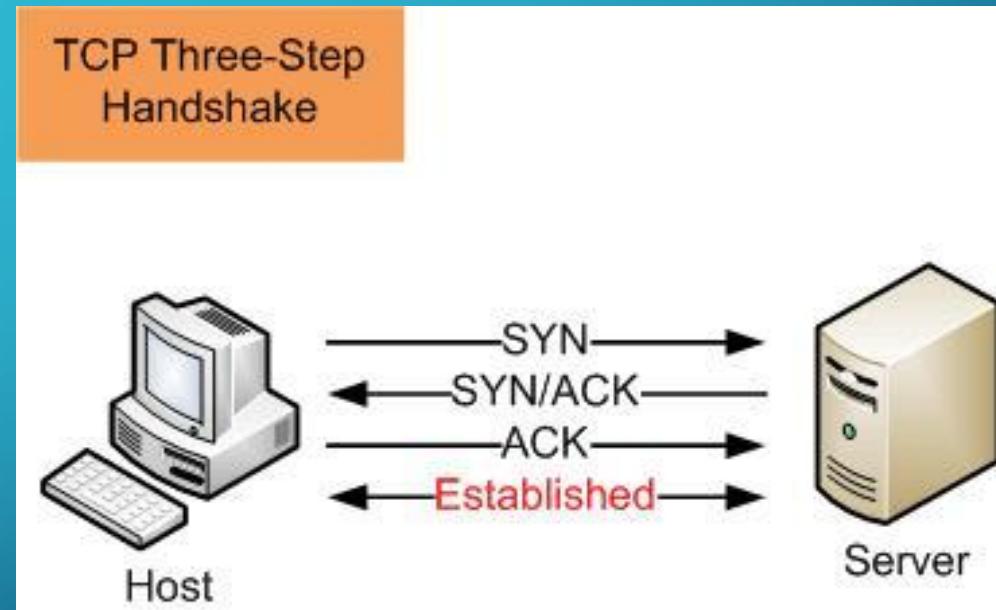
# HOW DOS WORKS

SYN attack: attacker ignored “syn/ack” return, each SYN takes up a TCP connection on the server. Goal is to exhaust TCP connection table.

Reflective DoS: spoof the sending IP address so return syn/ack traffic attacks another IP.

Distributed DoS: Have multiple Zombie machines in a BOT Net attack a single IP.

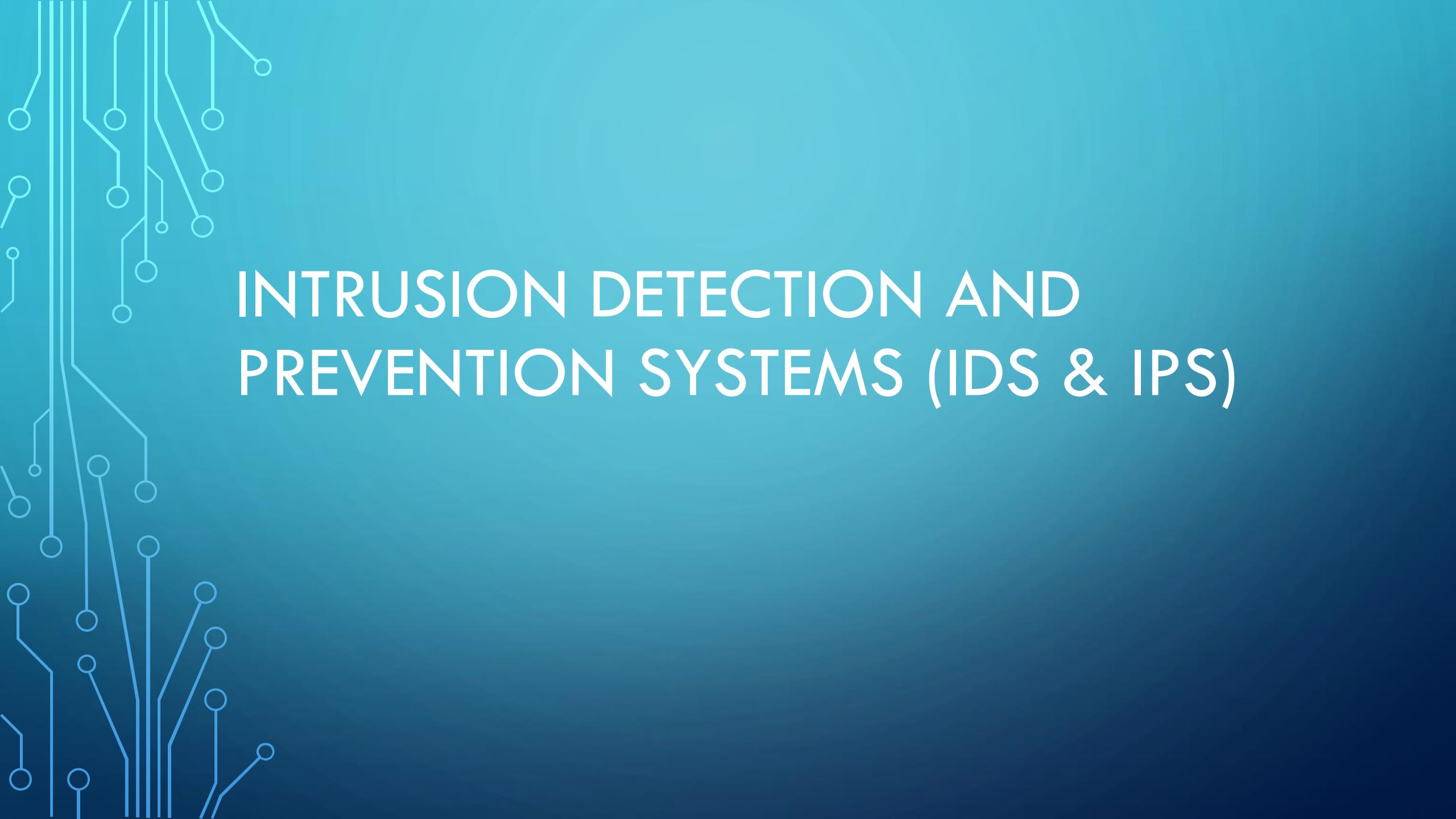
UDP attacks: flooding the pipes or links with traffic Which does not need Three-Way Handshake. Forces routers and firewalls to process useless traffic.



# HOW TO COUNTER DOS

- Anomaly detection
- Usual traffic patterns
- Network traffic which breaks rules
- Install an Anomaly detection appliance
- Turn on features on firewalls
- Not the same a signature based Intrusion Detection (IPS)

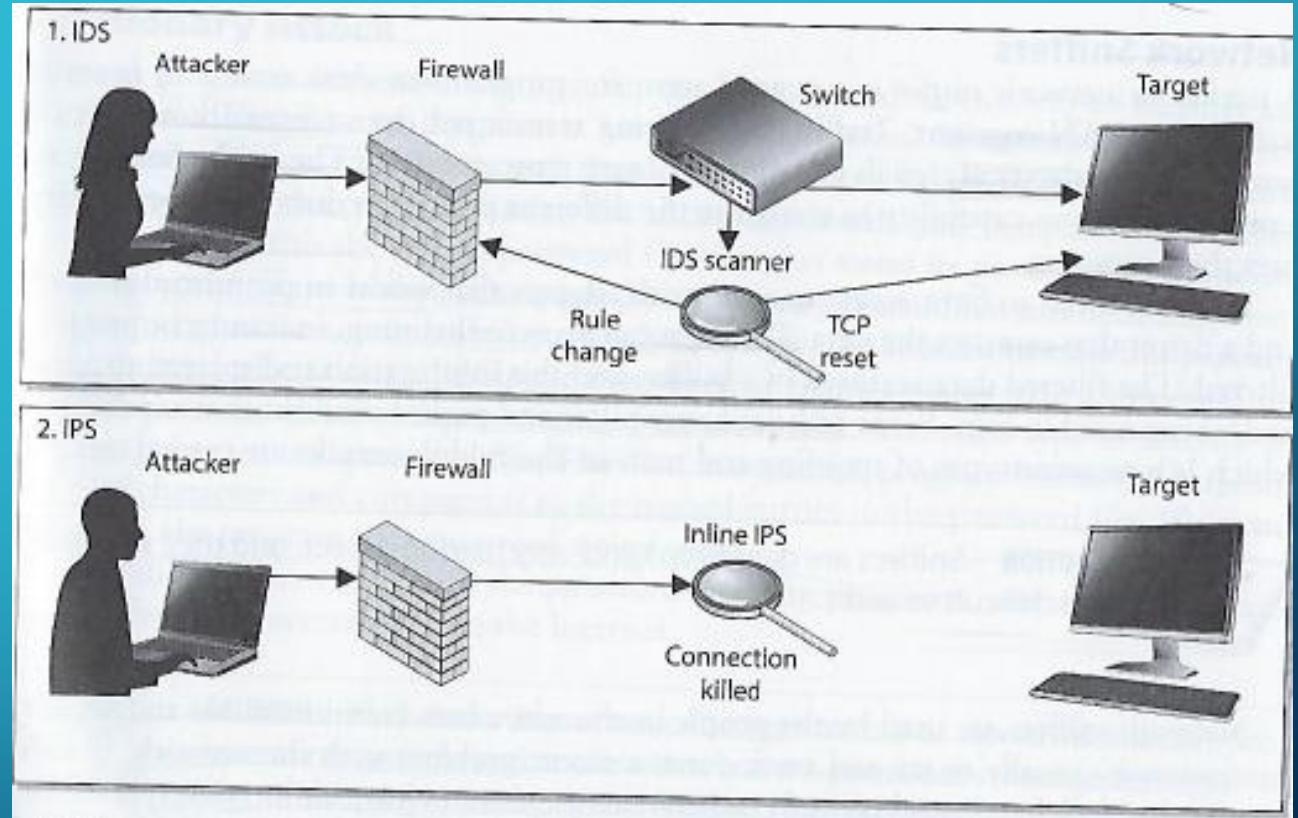




# INTRUSION DETECTION AND PREVENTION SYSTEMS (IDS & IPS)

# INTRUSION DETECTION VS PREVENTION

- IDS – Detect something bad may be taking place and send an alert
  - *Detective and “after the fact” response*
- IPS – Detect something bad may be taking place and block traffic from gaining access to target
  - *Preventive and proactive response*



# SUMMARY OF BEST PRACTICE STEPS

- Know where your data is and classify it (Data classification standards, policy)
- Segment Hosts and Broadcast Domains (vlans, switches, routers)
- Control which hosts can talk. (Router Access Control Lists or Firewall rules)
- Reduce exposure to untrusted networks (Firewalls)
- Good host hygiene. (Patch Management, vulnerability management)
- Know your own network (Discover scans to look for new hosts ... usually not patched!)
- Next time: Protecting Data (Encryption at rest and Encryption in-transit)

## How Networks Work

# Network Security

## Governance / Framework

OSI Model

Well-known ports

Packet Captures

Three-way handshake

Anomalies

Network Types

Public

Private

Cloud / Hybrids

IP Addressing

IP Addressing

Components

Hubs

Switches

Routers

Firewalls

Encryption

IPS / IDS

Wireless

End-Points

Host Firewall  
Permissions (Least Priv)  
File Systems - ACL  
Closing Ports / Services

## Concepts

Perimeter Defense

Defense In Depth

Continuous Monitoring

Least Privilege

Confidentiality/Integrity/Access (CIA)

Asset Classification

Law Compliance

HIPAA

Sarbanes Oxley

FISMA

FERPA

PCI-DSS

GLBA

## Attacks/ Countermeasures

Recon

OS Vulnerabilities

DDoS / DOS

Sniffers

Social Engineering

Data Harvesting

## Risks



Mitigation

Tolerance

Transfer

Evaluation

"Likelihood"

# AGENDA

- ✓ Network security definition
- ✓ Models and protocols
- ✓ Switched environments
- ✓ Access control lists
- ✓ Firewalls
- ✓ Intrusion detection and prevention systems