

Securing Internet Communication: TLS, cont'd Network security

CS 161: Computer Security

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Announcements

- Midterm grades released
- Regrades: Read the follow-ups on the threads to make sure your regrade request is somewhat warranted.
- No public repos for projects
- DSP letters
- Midterm 2 will be the Wed after spring break (Apr 4).

- Project 2 is live, it has 3 parts. **Prizes given!**
- Do not cheat. We have good tools and caught students already.

- Intro to Networking session Tuesday 8-10 at the Woz.

Certificates

- Browser compares domain *name* in cert w/ URL
 - Note: this provides an **end-to-end property** (as opposed to say a cert associated with an IP address)
- Browser accesses separate cert belonging to **issuer**
 - These are **hardwired into the browser** – and **trusted!**
 - There could be a **chain** of these ...
- Browser applies issuer's public key to verify signature **S**, obtaining hash of what issuer signed
 - Compares with its own **SHA-256** hash of Amazon's cert
- Assuming hashes match, now have high confidence it's indeed Amazon ...
 - ***assuming signatory is trustworthy***

= assuming didn't lose private key; assuming didn't sign thoughtlessly

Certificates

- Want to use root CA as little as possible, access to the root key should be very infrequent
- Certificate chain:
 - Verisign can give a certificate to Google for google.com
 - Google can issue a certificate for finance.google.com

End-to-End \Rightarrow Powerful Protections

- Attacker runs a sniffer to capture our WiFi session?
 - (maybe by breaking crummy WEP security)
 - **But:** encrypted communication is unreadable
 - No problem!
- DNS cache poisoning gives client wrong IP address
 - Client goes to wrong server
 - **But:** detects impersonation
 - No problem!
- Attacker hijacks our connection, injects new traffic
 - **But:** data receiver rejects it due to failed integrity check
 - No problem!

Powerful Protections, cont.

- Attacker manipulates routing to run us by an eavesdropper or take us to the wrong server?
 - **But:** they can't read; we detect impersonation
 - **No problem!**
- Attacker slips in as a Man In The Middle?
 - **But:** they can't read, they can't inject
 - They can't even replay previous encrypted traffic
 - **No problem!**

Validating Amazon's Identity, cont.

- Browser retrieves cert belonging to the **issuer**
 - These are hardwired into the browser – and **trusted!**
- What if browser can't find a cert for the issuer?



This Connection is Untrusted

You have asked Firefox to connect securely to **www.mikestoolbox.org**, but we can't confirm that your connection is secure.

Normally, when you try to connect securely, sites will present trusted identification to prove that you are going to the right place. However, this site's identity can't be verified.

What Should I Do?

If you usually connect to this site without problems, this error could mean that someone is trying to impersonate the site, and you shouldn't continue.

Get me out of here!

▼ Technical Details

www.mikestoolbox.org uses an invalid security certificate.

The certificate is not trusted because the issuer certificate is not trusted.

(Error code: sec_error_untrusted_issuer)

▶ I Understand the Risks



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- If it can't find the cert, then warns the user that site has not been verified
 - Can still proceed, just **without authentication**
- Q: Which end-to-end security properties do we lose if we incorrectly trust that the site is whom we think?
- A: **All of them!**
 - Goodbye confidentiality, integrity, authentication
 - Man in the middle attacker can read everything, modify, impersonate

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 - Integrating with other sites that don't use HTTPS
 - **Latency**: extra round trips \Rightarrow 1st page slower to load

SSL / TLS Limitations, cont.

- Problems that SSL / TLS does **not** take care of ?
- TCP-level **denial of service**
 - SYN flooding
 - RST injection
 - o (but does protect against data injection!)
- SQL injection / XSS / server-side coding/logic flaws
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Regular web surfing: http: URL

So *no integrity* - a MITM attacker can alter pages returned by server ...

And when we click here ...

... attacker has changed the corresponding link so that it's ordinary http rather than https!

We never get a chance to use TLS's protections! :-)

“sslstrip” attack

SSL / TLS Limitations, cont.

- Problems that SSL / TLS does **not** take care of ?
- SQL injection / XSS / server-side coding/logic flaws
- Vulnerabilities introduced by server inconsistencies
- Browser coding/logic flaws
- User flaws
 - Weak passwords
 - Phishing
- Issues of trust ...

TLS/SSL Trust Issues

- User has to make correct trust decisions ...

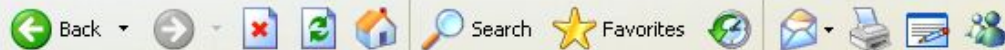


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Welcome to eBay - Microsoft Internet Explorer



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Address http://0xbd5947e3/sendfiles/.../signin.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?SignInruhttpAFFwww.ebay.com2F/

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It's so easy and fun? Sign in now to buy, bid and sell, or to manage your account.

[I forgot my user ID](#)

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Internet

Internet Explorer



When you send information to the Internet, it might be possible for others to see that information. Do you want to continue?

In the future, do not show this message.

[Yes](#)[No](#)

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Address <http://0xbd5947e3/sendfiles/.../signin.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?SignInruhttpAFFwww.ebay.com2F/sQuestion.php> Go Links

ebay

Please confirm your identity

Please answer security question

Select your secret question...

Answer the secret question you provided.

What is your other eBay user ID or another's?

What email used to be associated with this account?

Have you ever sold something on eBay?

Done Internet

Security Alert

Information you exchange with this site cannot be viewed or changed by others. However, there is a problem with the site's security certificate.

- The security certificate was issued by a company you have not chosen to trust. View the certificate to determine whether you want to trust the certifying authority.
- The security certificate date is valid.
- The security certificate has a valid name matching the name of the page you are trying to view.

Do you want to proceed?


Yes No View Certificate

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What is your other eBay user ID or another email address you used to register on eBay?

What email used to be associated with this account?


Have you ever sold something on eBay?

No

Yes

Certificate

General Details Certification Path



Certificate Information

This certificate is intended for the following purpose(s):

- Ensures the identity of a remote computer

* Refer to the certification authority's statement for details.

Issued to: rover.ebay.com

Issued by: VeriSign Class 3 Secure Server CA - G3

Valid from: 10/22/2010 **to:** 12/1/2012

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Show: <All>

Field	Value
Version	V3
Serial number	4d ab c9 a6 0a 30 20 57 f9 23 ...
Signature algorithm	sha1RSA
Issuer	VeriSign Class 3 Secure Server...
Valid from	Friday, October 22, 2010 4:00...
Valid to	Saturday, December 01, 2012...
Subject	rover.ebay.com, Site Operatio...
Public key	RSA (1024 Bits)

Edit Properties...

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OK


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Field	Value
Subject Alternative Name	DNS Name=rover.ebay.com, ...
Basic Constraints	Subject Type=End Entity, Pat...
Key Usage	Digital Signature, Key Encipher...
CRL Distribution Points	[1]CRL Distribution Point: Distr...
Certificate Policies	[1]Certificate Policy:Policy Ide...
Enhanced Key Usage	Server Authentication (1.3.6...
Authority Key Identifier	KeyID=0d 44 5c 16 53 44 c1 8...
Authority Information Access	[1]Authority Info Access: Acc...

Edit Properties... Copy to File...

OK



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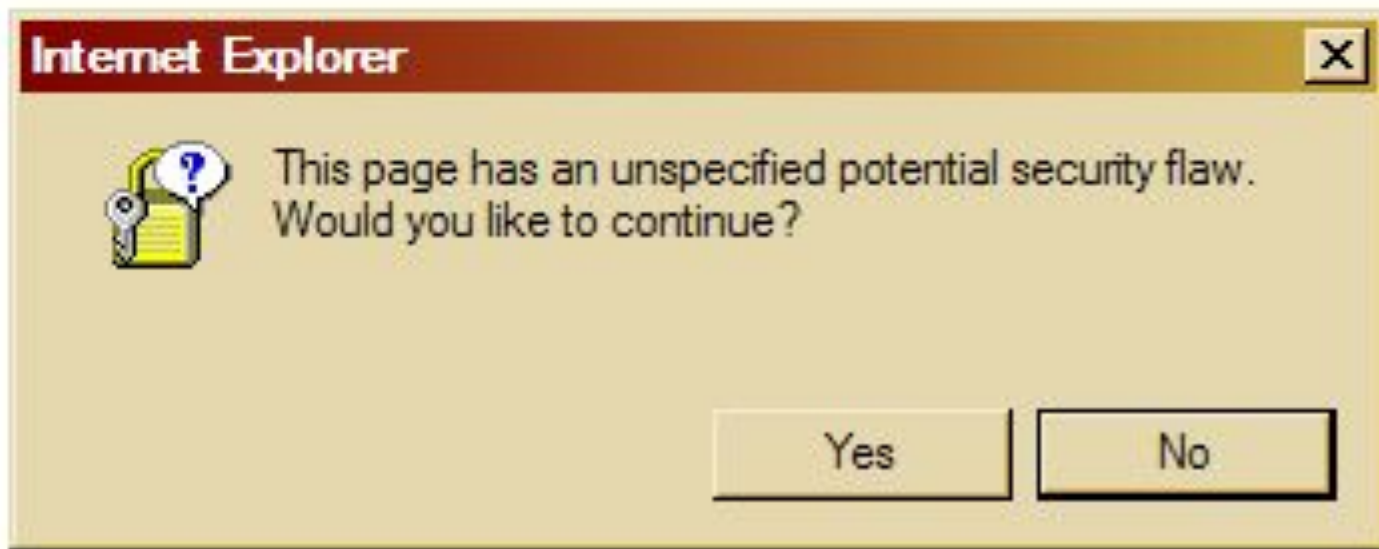
View Certificate

Certificate status:

This certificate is OK.

OK

The equivalent as seen by most Internet users:



(note: an actual Windows error message!)

TLS/SSL Trust Issues, cont.

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 - Matt Blaze, circa 2001
- So how many CAs do we have to worry about, anyway?



Click to lock the System Roots keychain.



Keychains

- login
- Micr...ertificates
- System
- System Roots

**A-Trust-Qual-02**

Root certificate authority

Expires: Tuesday, December 2, 2014 3:00:00 PM PT

This certificate is valid

Name	Kind	Expires	Keychain
A-CERT ADVANCED	certificate	Oct 23, 2011 7:14:14 AM	System Roots
A-Trust-nQual-01	certificate	Nov 30, 2014 3:00:00 PM	System Roots
A-Trust-nQual-03	certificate	Aug 17, 2015 3:00:00 PM	System Roots
A-Trust-Qual-01	certificate	Nov 30, 2014 3:00:00 PM	System Roots
A-Trust-Qual-02	certificate	Dec 2, 2014 3:00:00 PM	System Roots
AAA Certificate Services	certificate	Dec 31, 2028 3:59:59 PM	System Roots
AC Raíz Certicámara S.A.	certificate	Apr 2, 2030 2:42:02 PM	System Roots
AddTrust Class 1 CA Root	certificate	May 30, 2020 3:38:31 AM	System Roots
AddTrust External CA Root	certificate	May 30, 2020 3:48:38 AM	System Roots
AddTrust Public CA Root	certificate	May 30, 2020 3:41:50 AM	System Roots
AddTrust Qualified CA Root	certificate	May 30, 2020 3:44:50 AM	System Roots
Admin-Root-CA	certificate	Nov 9, 2021 11:51:07 PM	System Roots
AdminCA-CD-T01	certificate	Jan 25, 2016 4:36:19 AM	System Roots
AffirmTrust Commercial	certificate	Dec 31, 2030 6:06:06 AM	System Roots
AffirmTrust Networking	certificate	Dec 31, 2030 6:08:24 AM	System Roots
AffirmTrust Premium	certificate	Dec 31, 2040 6:10:36 AM	System Roots
AffirmTrust Premium ECC	certificate	Dec 31, 2040 6:20:24 AM	System Roots
America Onli...ation Authority 1	certificate	Nov 19, 2037 12:43:00 PM	System Roots
America Onli...ation Authority 2	certificate	Sep 29, 2037 7:08:00 AM	System Roots
AOL Time W...cation Authority 1	certificate	Nov 20, 2037 7:03:00 AM	System Roots
AOL Time W...cation Authority 2	certificate	Sep 28, 2037 4:43:00 PM	System Roots
Apple Root CA	certificate	Feb 9, 2035 1:40:36 PM	System Roots
Apple Root Certificate Authority	certificate	Feb 9, 2025 4:18:14 PM	System Roots
Application CA G2	certificate	Mar 31, 2016 7:59:59 AM	System Roots
ApplicationCA	certificate	Dec 12, 2017 7:00:00 AM	System Roots



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Computerworld - A solo Iranian hacker on Saturday claimed responsibility for stealing multiple SSL certificates belonging to some of the Web's biggest sites, including Google, Microsoft, Skype and Yahoo.

Early reaction from security experts was mixed, with some believing the hacker's claim, while others were dubious.

Last week, conjecture had focused on a state-sponsored attack, perhaps funded or conducted by the Iranian government, that hacked a certificate reseller affiliated with U.S.-based Comodo.

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Where did you learn about cryptography and hacking. Are there books in Persian? English books? Or are you self-taught, learning from the Internet?

d) I'm self taught, books in Persian and English, but mostly papers in internet, short papers from experts like Bruce Schneier, RSA people (Ron, Adi and Leonard) and specially David Wagner. I learned programming in Qbasic when I was 9, I started learning cryptography when I was 13

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Fraudulent Google certificate points to Internet attack

Is Iran behind a fraudulent Google.com digital certificate? The situation is similar to one that happened in March in which spoofed certificates were traced back to Iran.



by [Elinor Mills](#) | August 29, 2011 1:22 PM PDT



A Dutch company appears to have issued a digital certificate for Google.com to someone other than Google, who may be using it to try to re-direct traffic of users based in Iran.

Yesterday, someone reported on a Google support site that when attempting to log in to Gmail the browser issued a warning for the digital certificate used as proof that the site is legitimate, according to [this thread](#) on a Google support forum site.



This appears to be a **fully valid** cert using normal browser validation rules.

Only detected by Chrome due to its recent introduction of cert “**pinning**” – requiring that certs for certain domains **must** be signed by specific CAs rather than any generally trusted CA

October 31, 2012, 10:49AM

Final Report on DigiNotar Hack Shows Total Compromise of CA Servers

The attacker who penetrated the Dutch CA DigiNotar last year had complete control of all eight of the company's certificate-issuing servers during the operation and he may also have issued some rogue certificates that have not yet been identified. The final report from a

Evidence Suggests DigiNotar, Who Issued Fraudulent Google Certificate, Was Hacked *Years Ago*

from the *diginot* dept

The big news in the security world, obviously, is the fact that a **fraudulent Google certificate made its way out into the wild**, apparently targeting internet users in Iran. The Dutch company DigiNotar has put out a statement saying that **it discovered a breach** back on July 19th during a security audit, and that fraudulent certificates were generated for "several dozen" websites. The only one known to have gotten out into the wild is the Google one.

TLS/SSL Trust Issues

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- So how many CAs do we have to worry about, anyway?
- Of course, it’s not just their greed that matters ...
- ... and it’s not just their diligence & security that matters ...
 - *“A decade ago, I observed that commercial certificate authorities protect you from anyone from whom they are unwilling to take money. That turns out to be wrong; they don't even do that much.”* - Matt Blaze, circa 2010

Conclusion

- Use SSL/TLS to secure communications end-to-end
- Relies on trustworthiness of certificates

Network Security

- intro to networking
- network attacks

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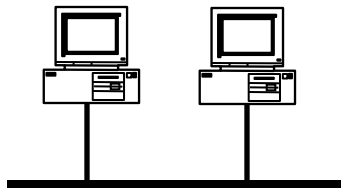
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Networking overview

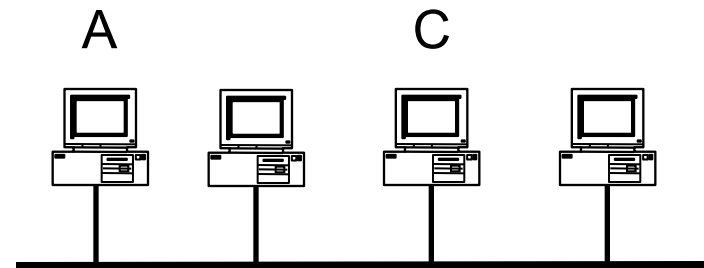
Pay attention to this material (part of 168) because you will need this to understand it for the class

There will be a review session too

Local-Area Networks



point-to-point



shared

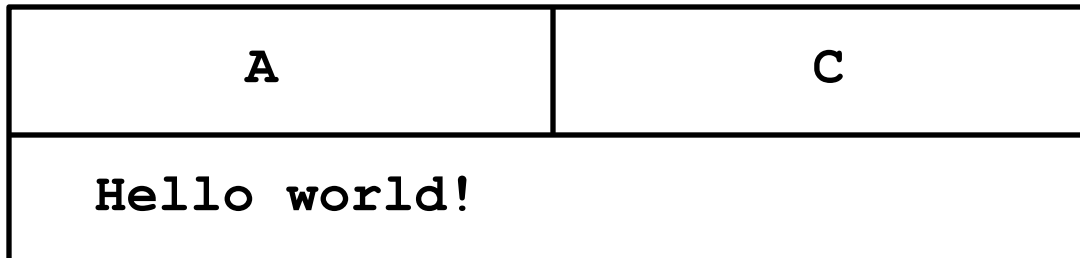
How does computer A send a message to computer C?

Local-Area Networks (LAN): Packets

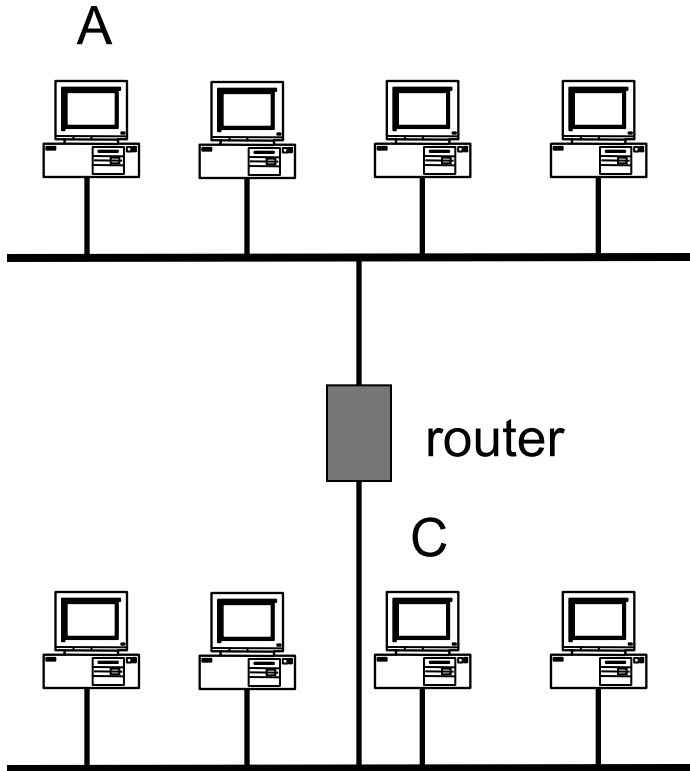
Source: A

Destination: C

Message: Hello world!

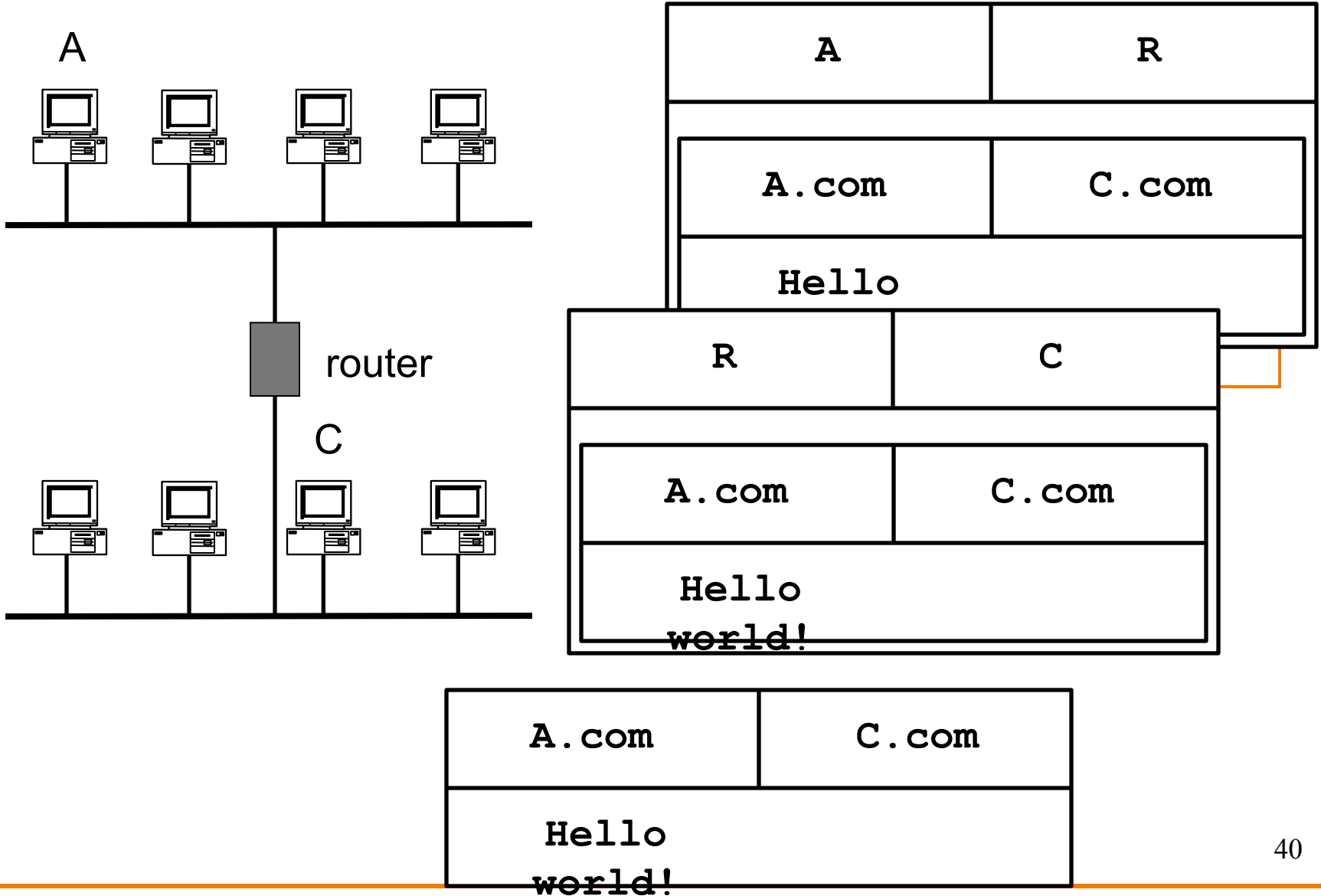


Wide-Area Networks



How do we connect two LANs?

Wide-Area Networks



Key Concept #1: *Protocols*

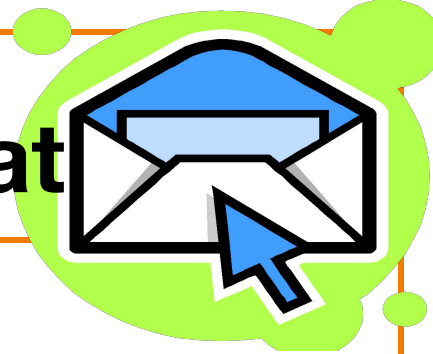
- A protocol is an **agreement on how to communicate**
- Includes **syntax** and **semantics**
 - How a communication is specified & structured
 - o Format, order messages are sent and received
 - What a communication means
 - o Actions taken when transmitting, receiving, or timer expires
- Example: making a comment in lecture?
 1. Raise your hand.
 2. Wait to be called on.
 3. Or: wait for speaker to **pause** and vocalize
 4. If unrecognized (after **timeout**): say “excuse me”

Key Concept #2: *Dumb Network*

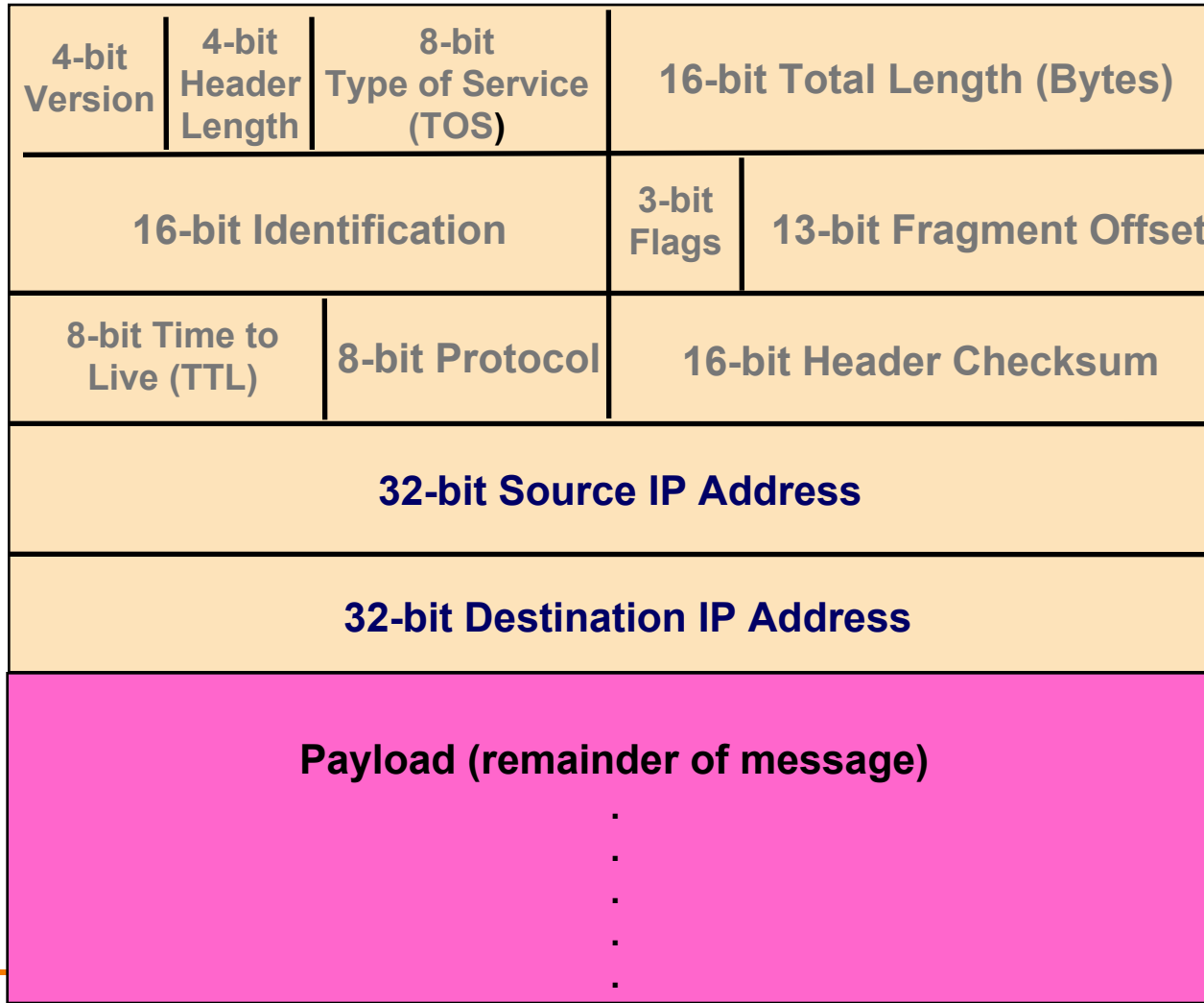
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Self-Contained IP Packet Format



IP = Internet *Protocol*



Header is like a letter envelope: contains all info needed for delivery

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 - Interior routers look at destination address to forward
 - If you want smarts, build it “**end-to-end**”, not “hop-by-hop”
 - Buys simplicity & robustness at the cost of shifting complexity into end systems

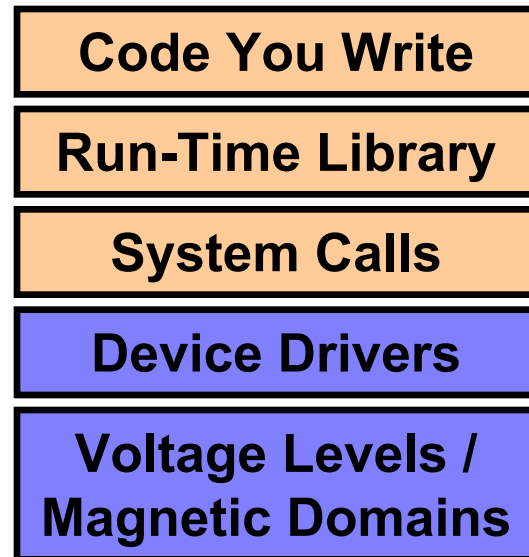
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Key Concept #3: *Layering*

- Internet design is strongly partitioned into layers
 - Each layer relies on services provided by next layer below ...
 - ... and provides services to layer above it

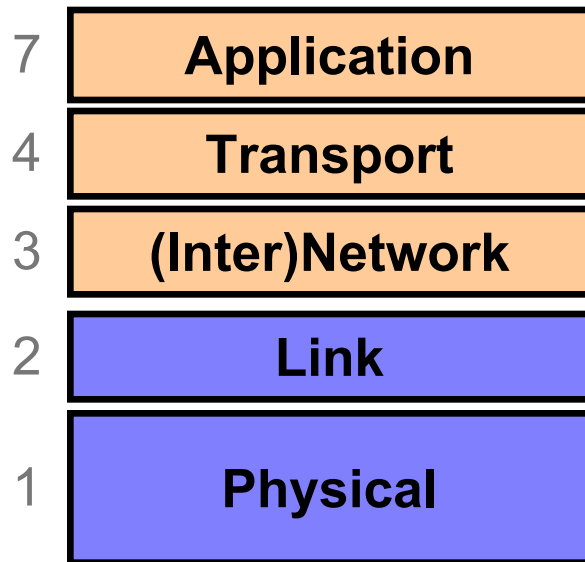
- Analogy:

- Consider structure of an application you've written and the “services” each layer relies on / provides



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isolated
from user
programs

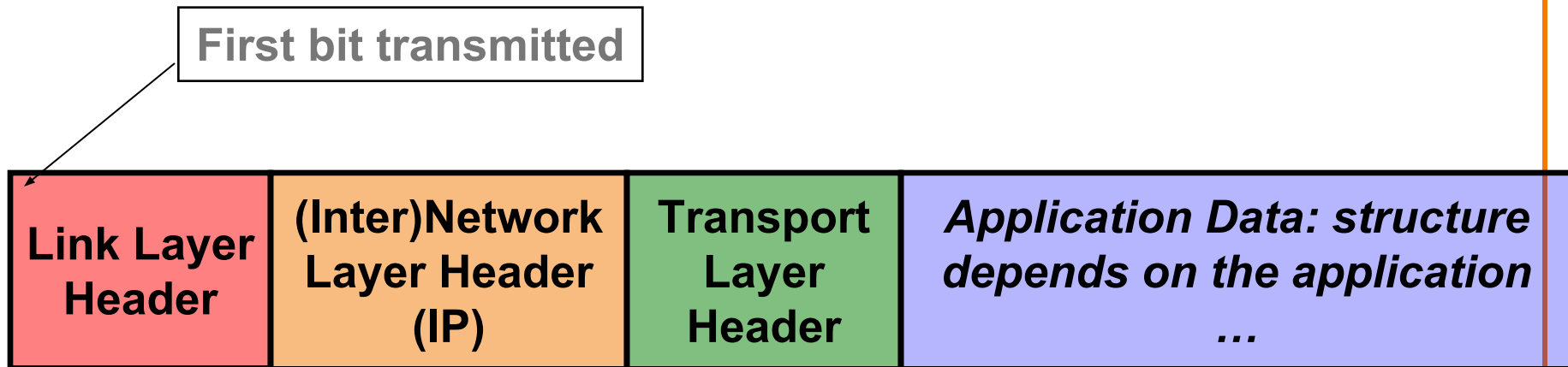
Internet Layering (“Protocol Stack”)



Note on a point of potential confusion: these diagrams are always drawn with lower layers **below** higher layers ...

But diagrams showing the layouts of packets are often the *opposite*, with the lower layers at the **top** since their headers precede those for higher layers

Horizontal View of a Single Packet



Vertical View of a Single Packet

First bit transmitted

Link Layer Header

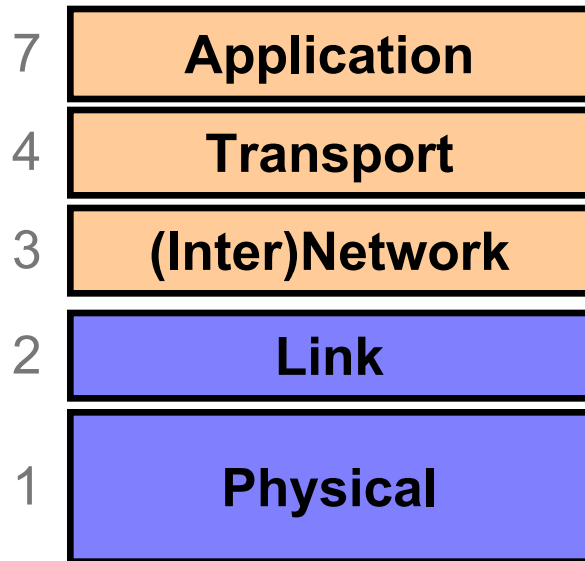
(Inter)Network Layer
Header (IP)

Transport Layer Header

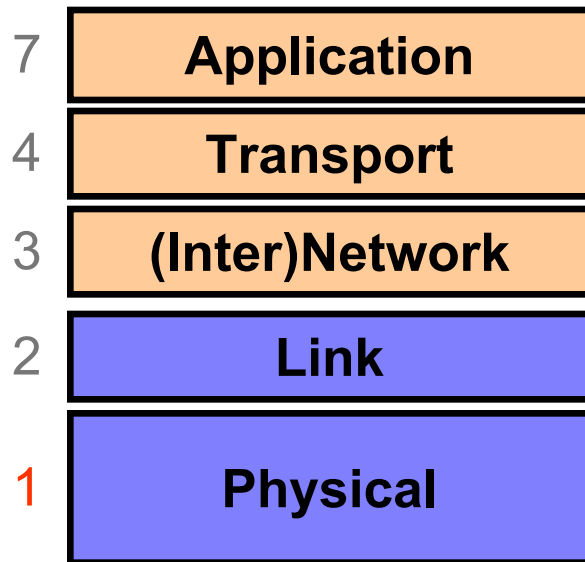
*Application Data:
structure depends on the
application*

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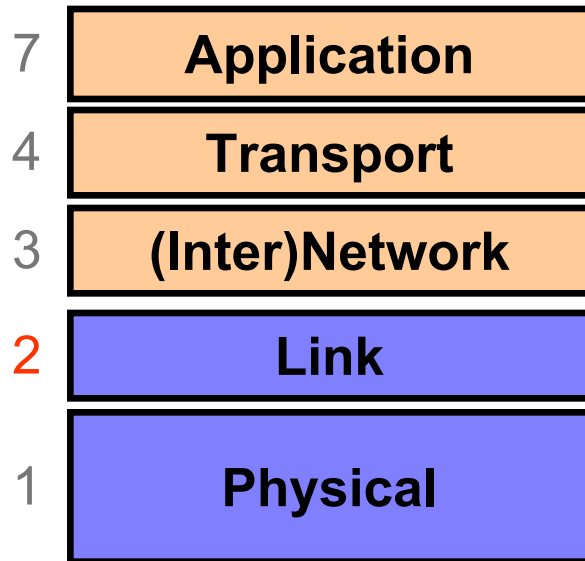


Layer 1: Physical Layer



Encoding **bits** to send them over a single physical link
e.g. patterns of
*voltage levels /
photon intensities /
RF modulation*

Layer 2: Link Layer

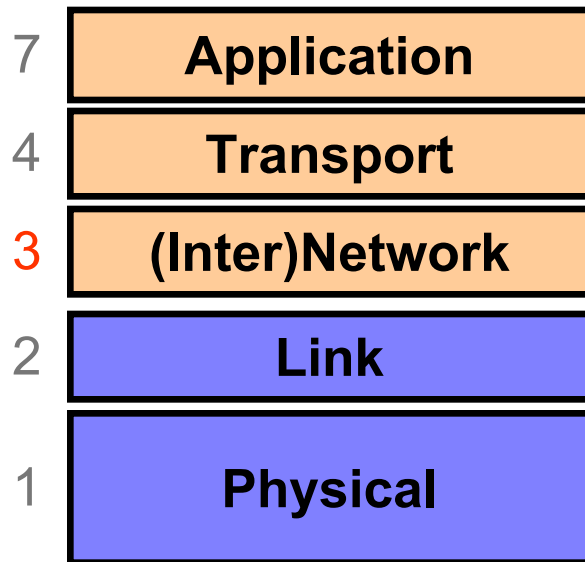


Framing and transmission of a collection of bits into individual **messages** sent across a single “subnetwork” (one physical technology)

Might involve multiple *physical links* (e.g., modern Ethernet)

Often technology supports **broadcast** transmission (**every** “node” connected to subnet receives)

Layer 3: (Inter)Network Layer (*IP*)



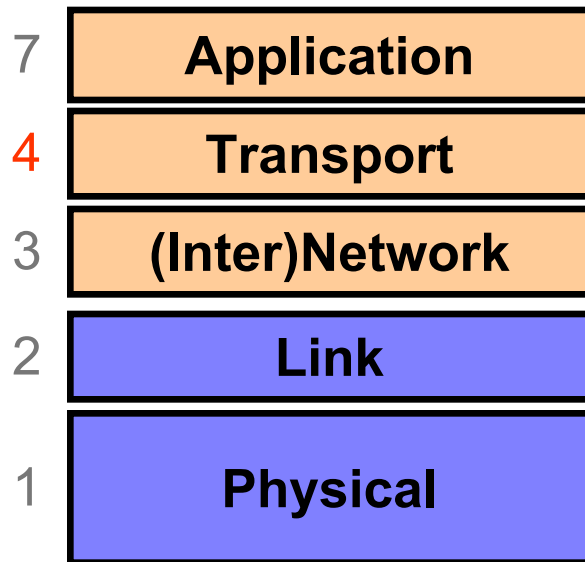
Bridges multiple “subnets” to provide *end-to-end* internet connectivity between nodes

- Provides global addressing

Works across different link technologies

Different for each Internet “hop”

Layer 4: Transport Layer

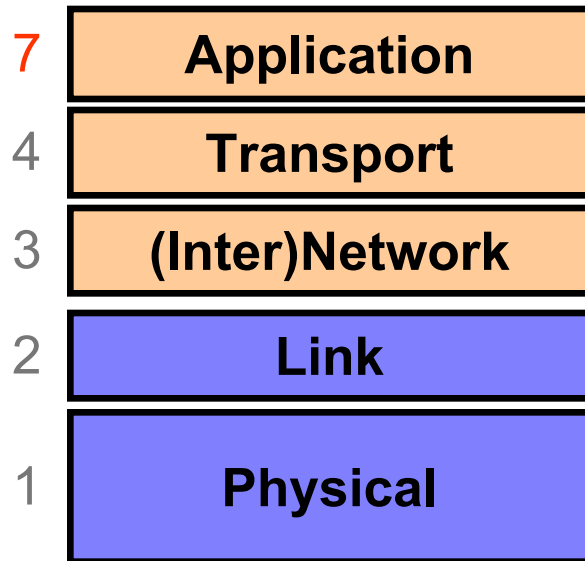


End-to-end communication between processes

Different services provided:
TCP = reliable *byte stream*
UDP = *unreliable datagrams*

(Datagram = single packet message)

Layer 7: Application Layer



Communication of whatever you wish

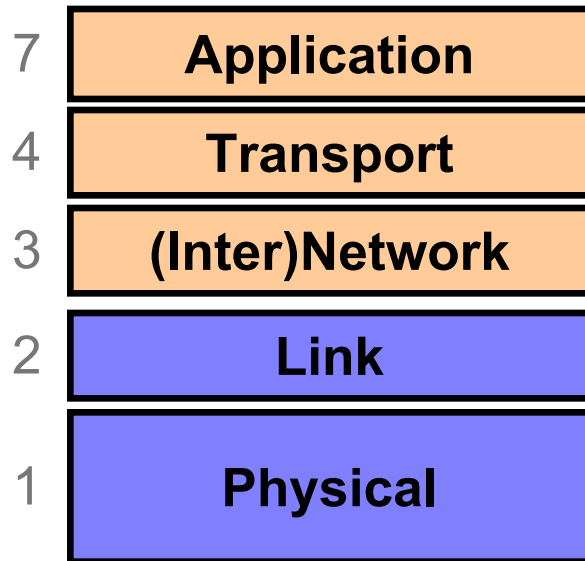
Can use whatever transport(s) is convenient

Freely structured

E.g.:

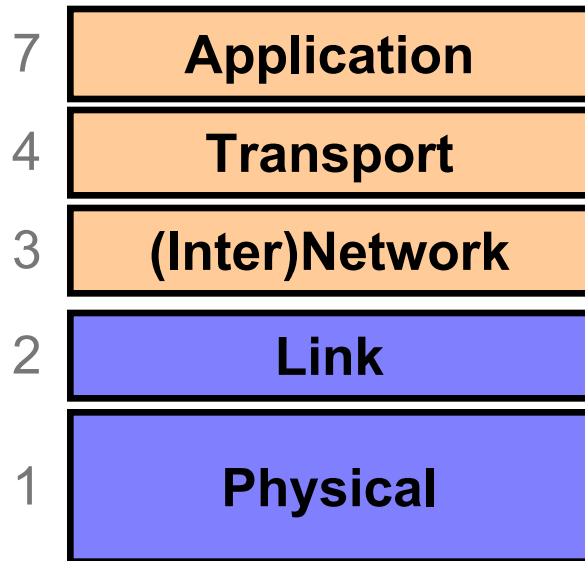
Skype, SMTP (email),
HTTP (Web), Halo, BitTorrent

Internet Layering (“Protocol Stack”)



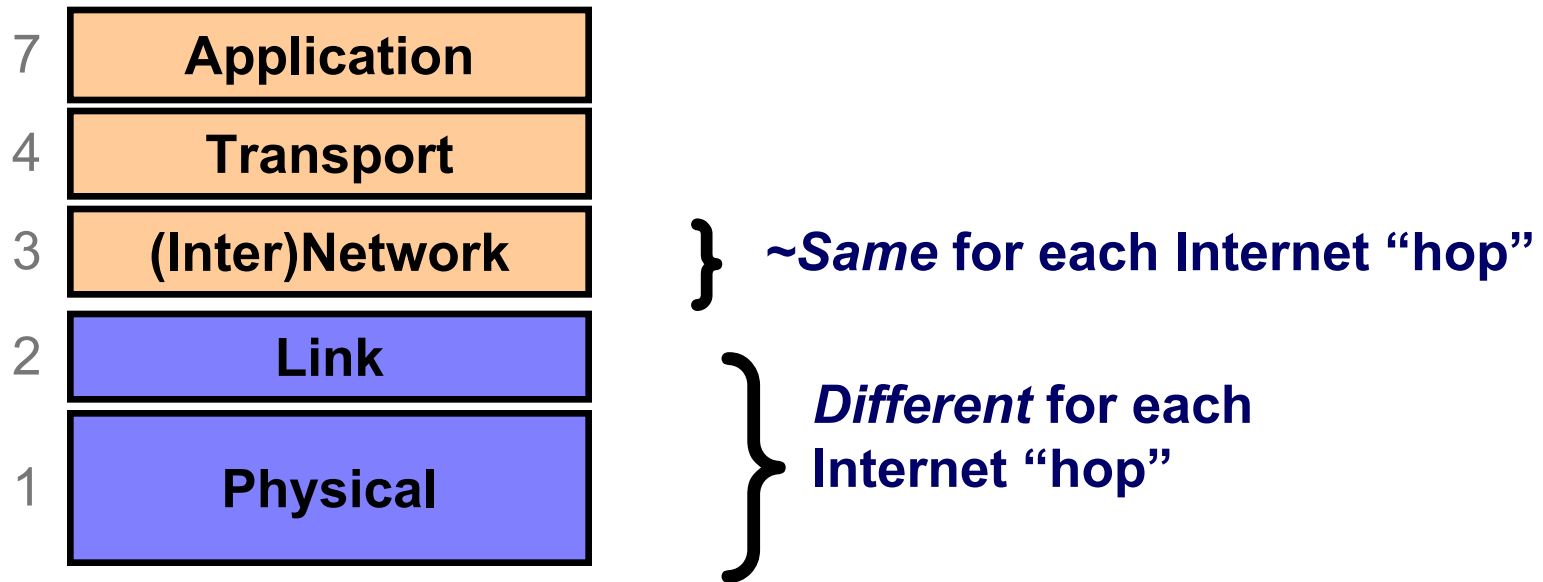
} Implemented only at hosts,
not at interior routers
("dumb network")

Internet Layering (“Protocol Stack”)



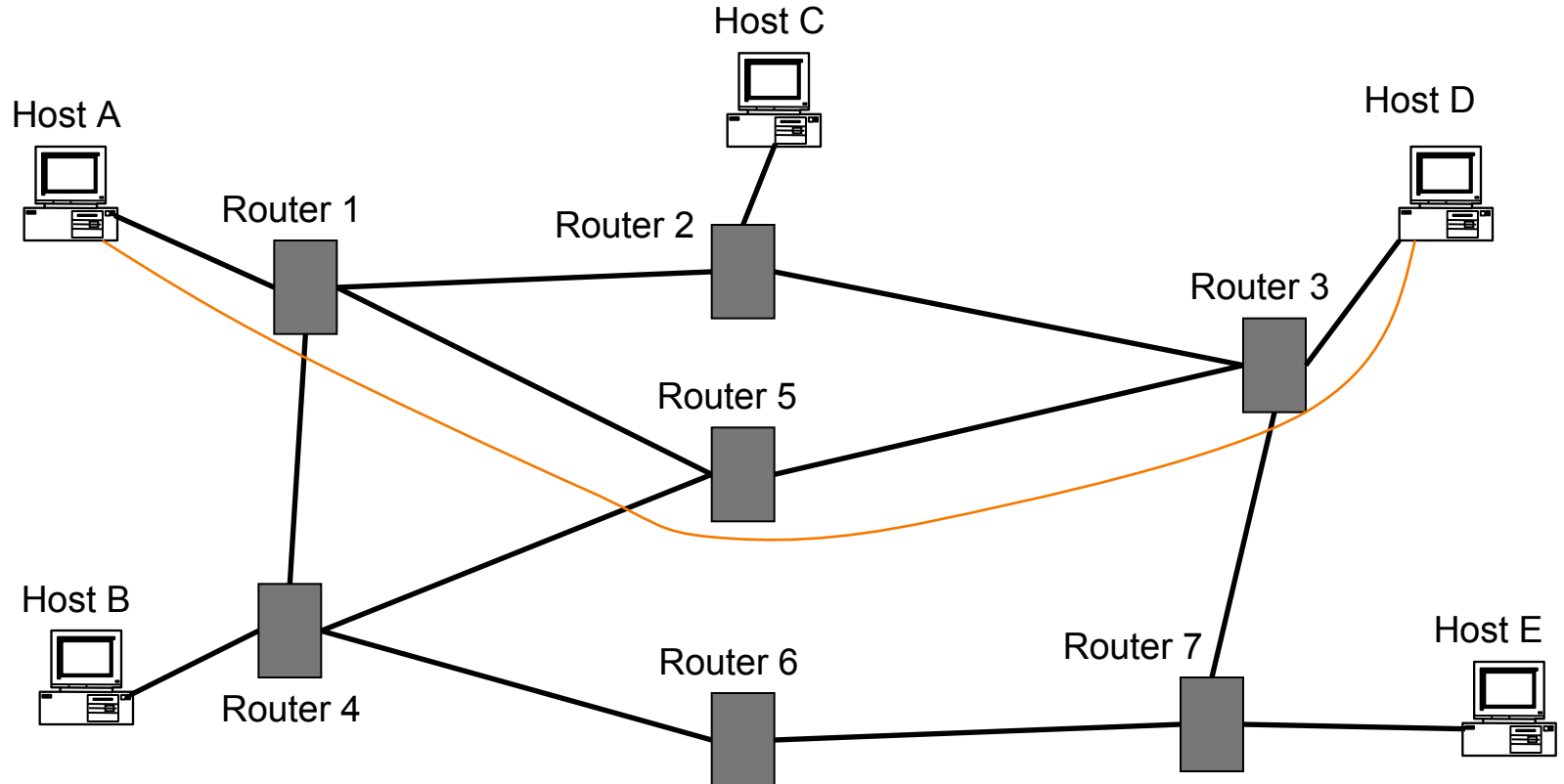
} Implemented everywhere

Internet Layering (“Protocol Stack”)



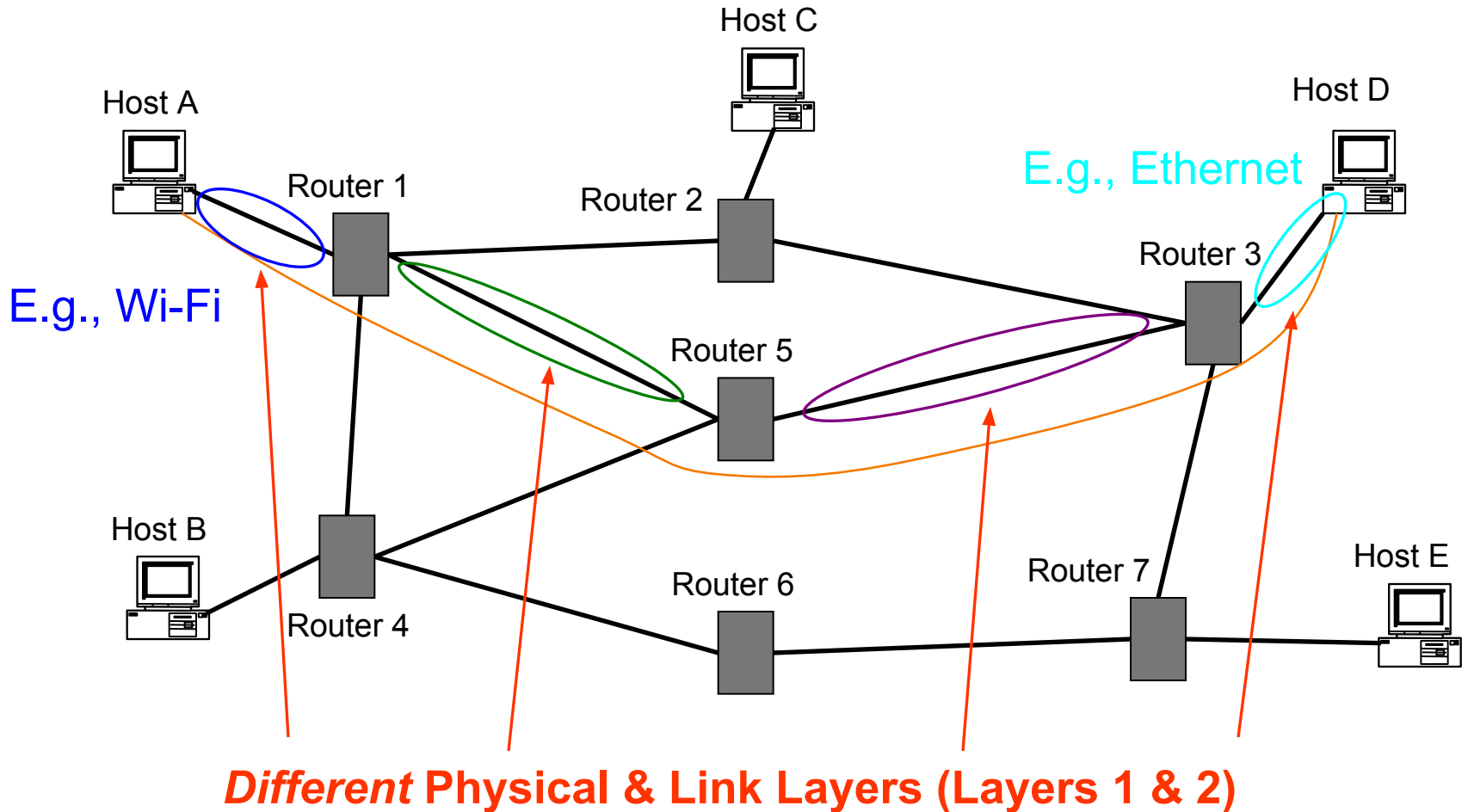
Hop-By-Hop vs. End-to-End Layers

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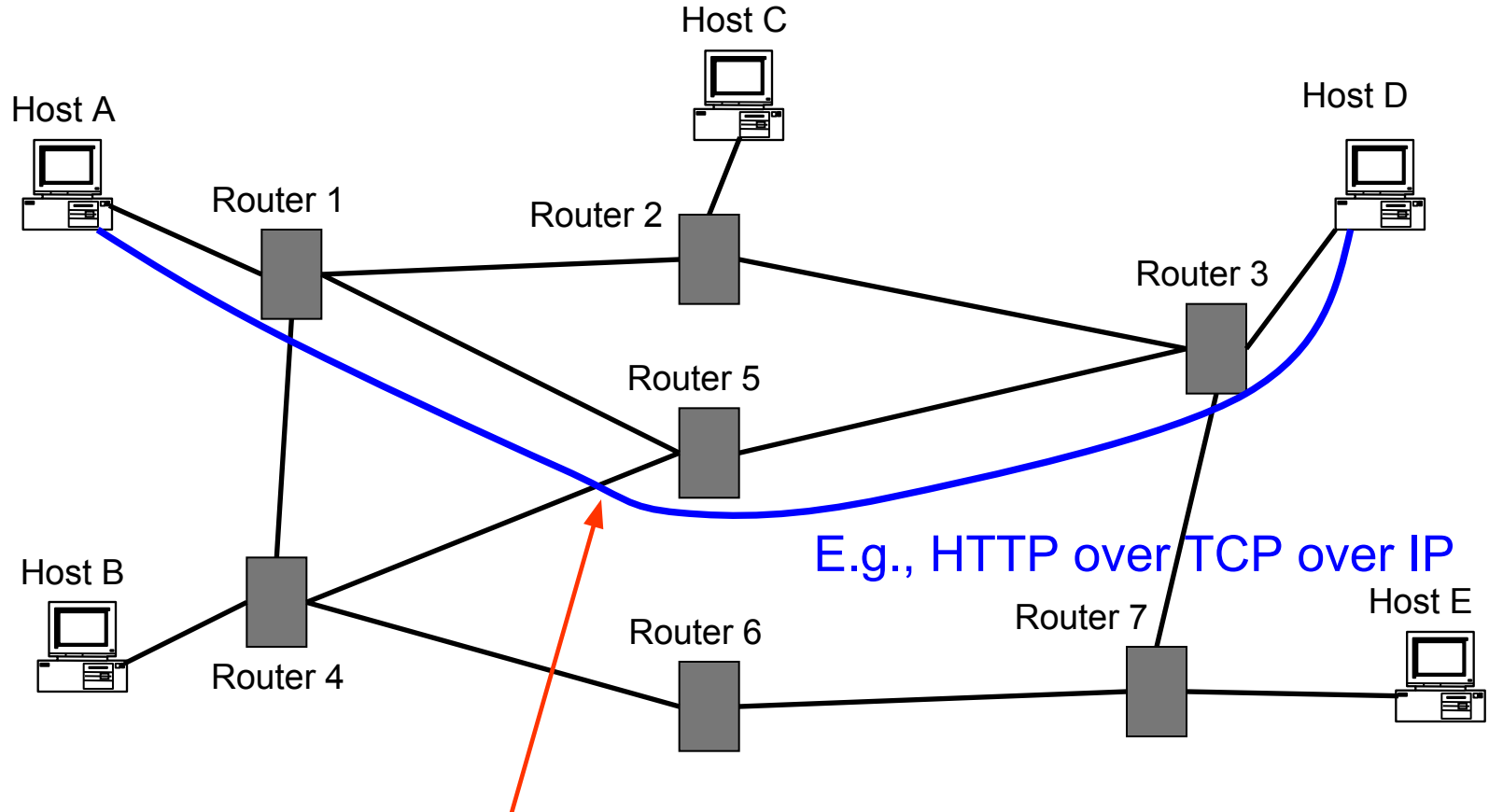
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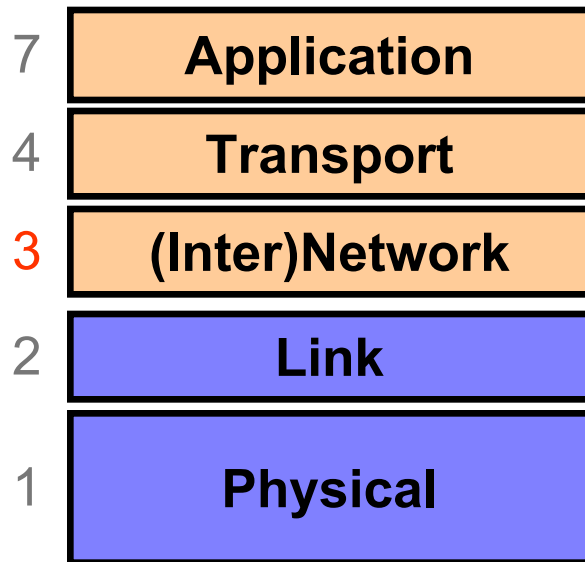
Host A communicates with Host D



E.g., HTTP over TCP over IP

Same Network / Transport / Application Layers (3/4/7)
(Routers **ignore** Transport & Application layers)

Layer 3: (Inter)Network Layer (IP)

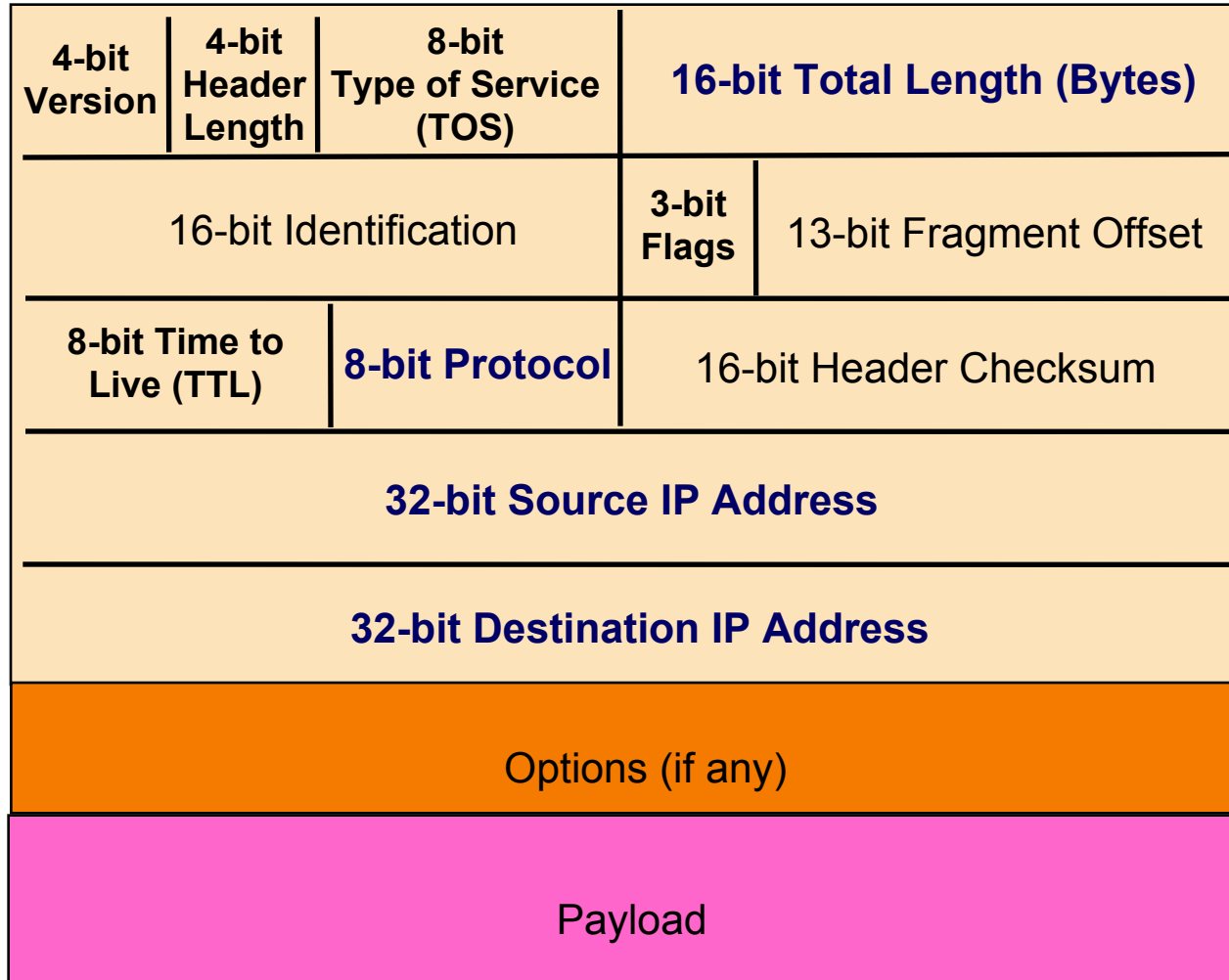


Bridges multiple “subnets” to provide *end-to-end* internet connectivity between nodes

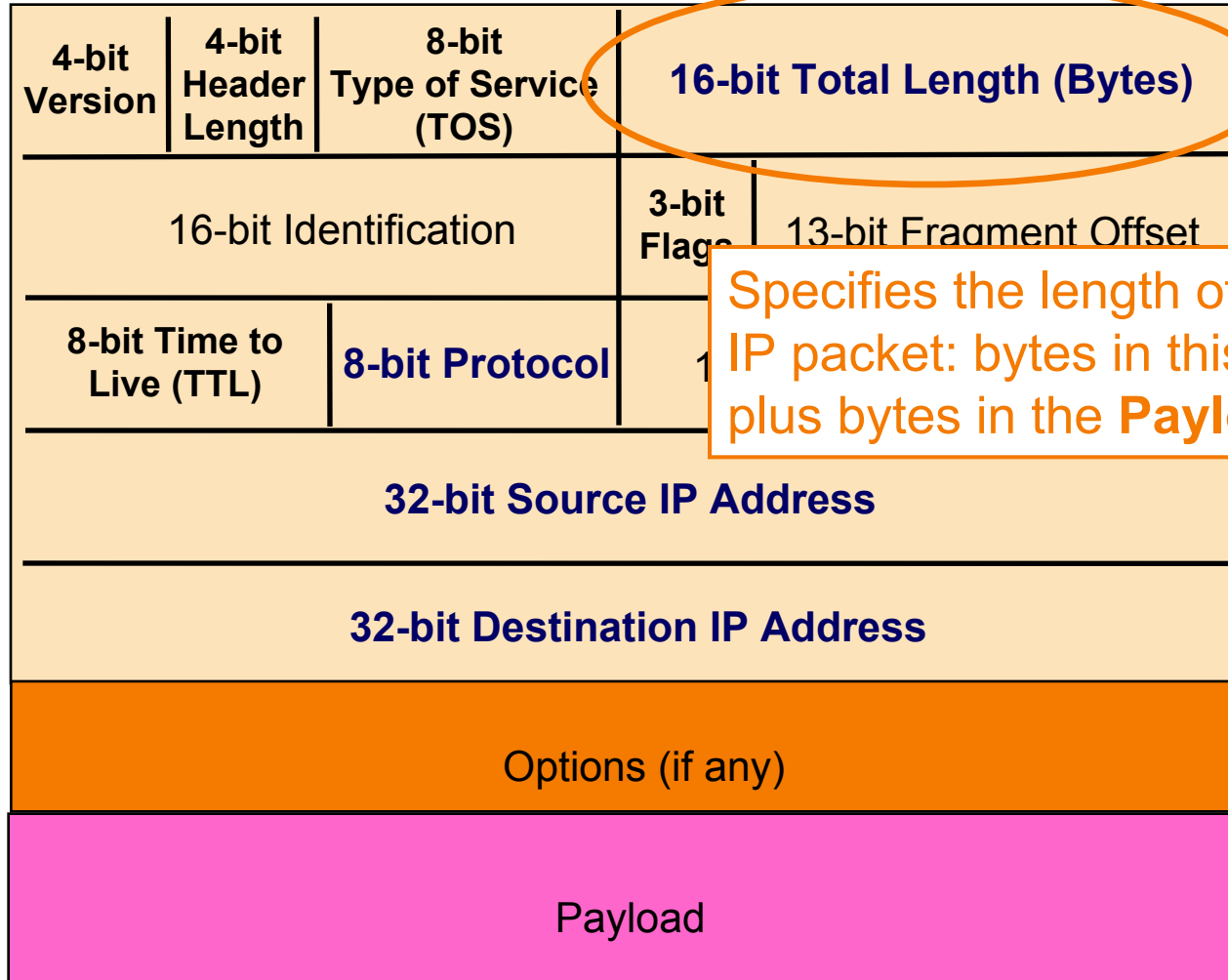
- Provides global addressing

Works across different link technologies

IP Packet Structure

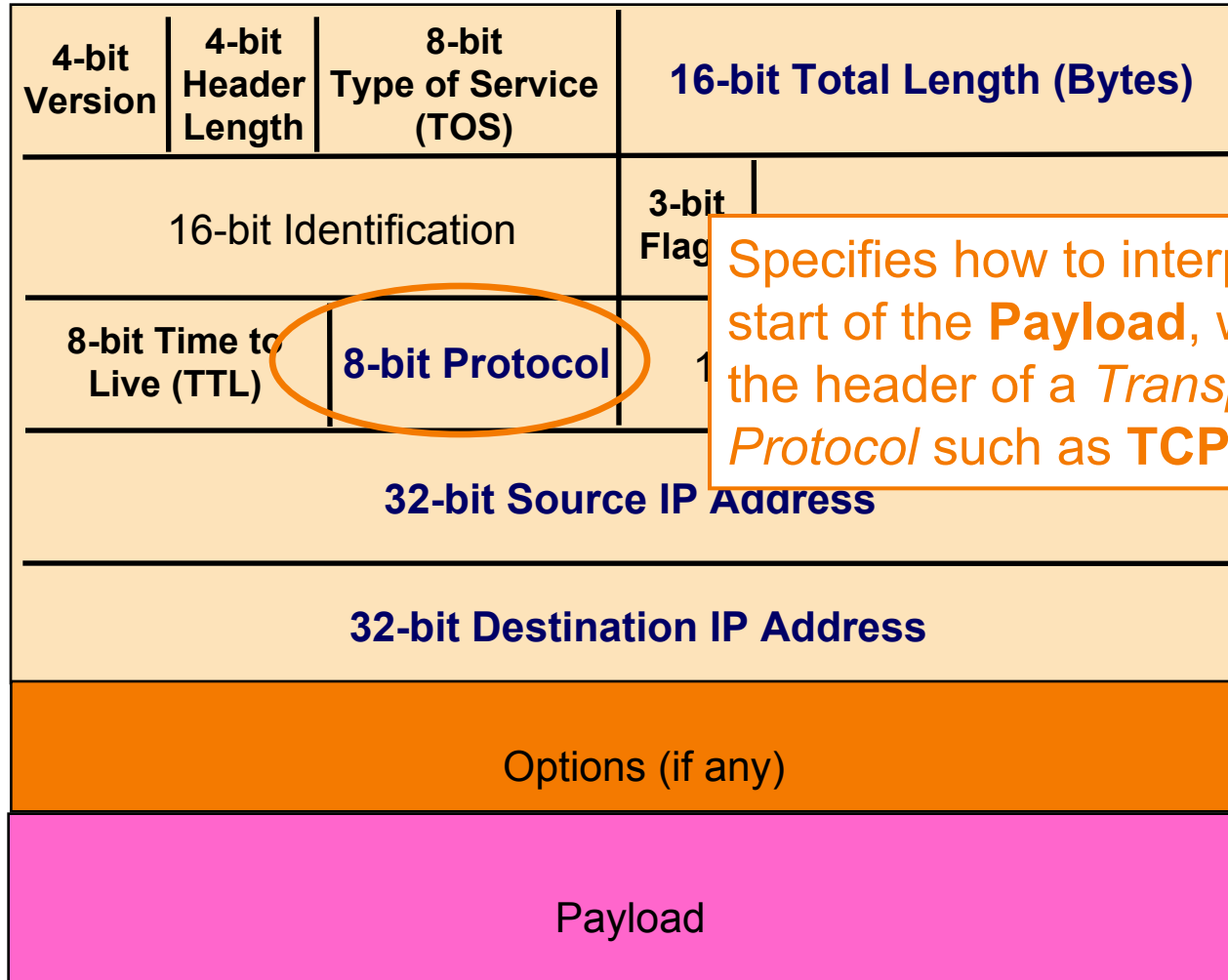


IP Packet Structure



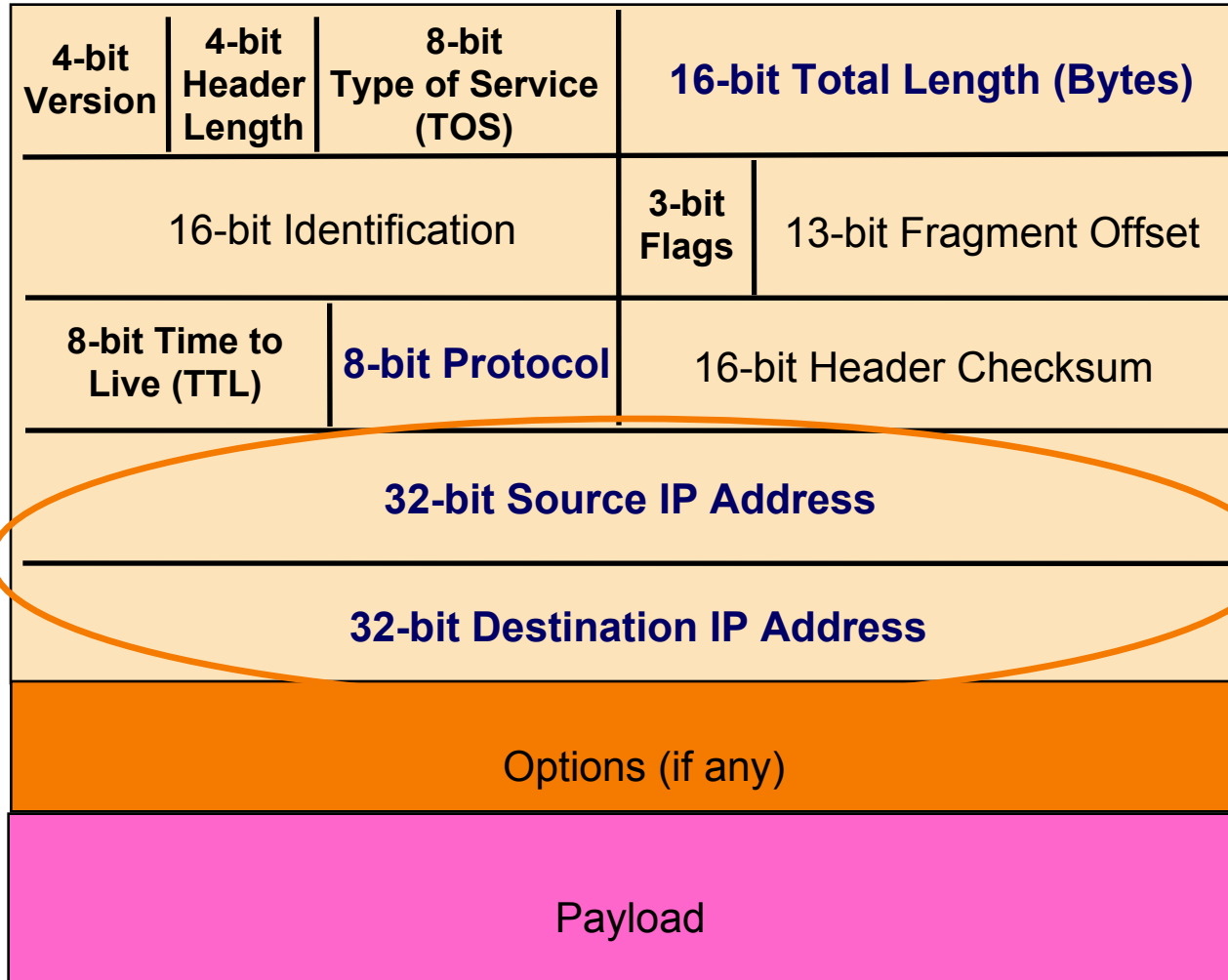
Specifies the length of the entire IP packet: bytes in this header plus bytes in the **Payload**

IP Packet Structure



Specifies how to interpret the start of the **Payload**, which is the header of a *Transport Protocol* such as **TCP** or **UDP**

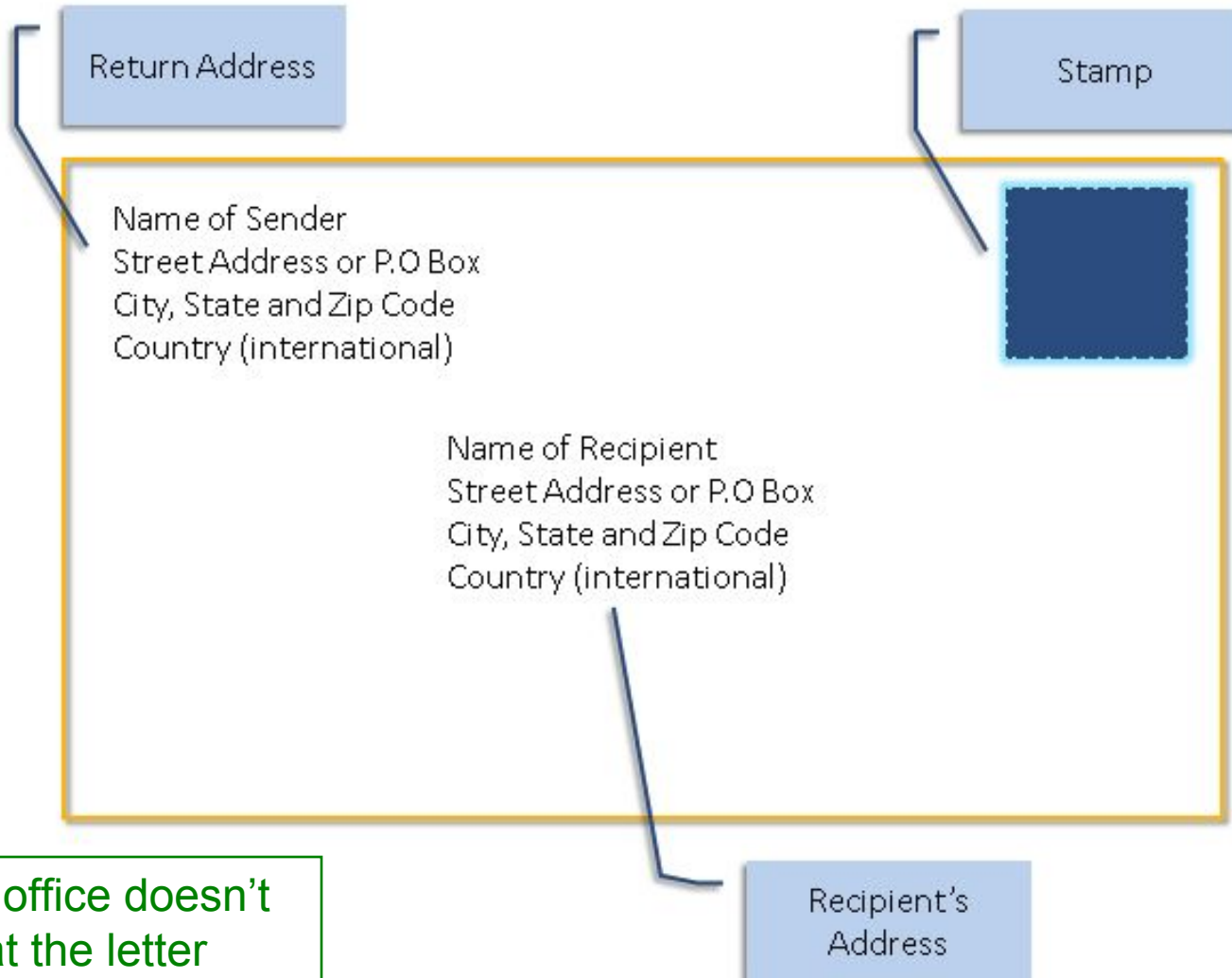
IP Packet Structure



IP Packet Header (Continued)

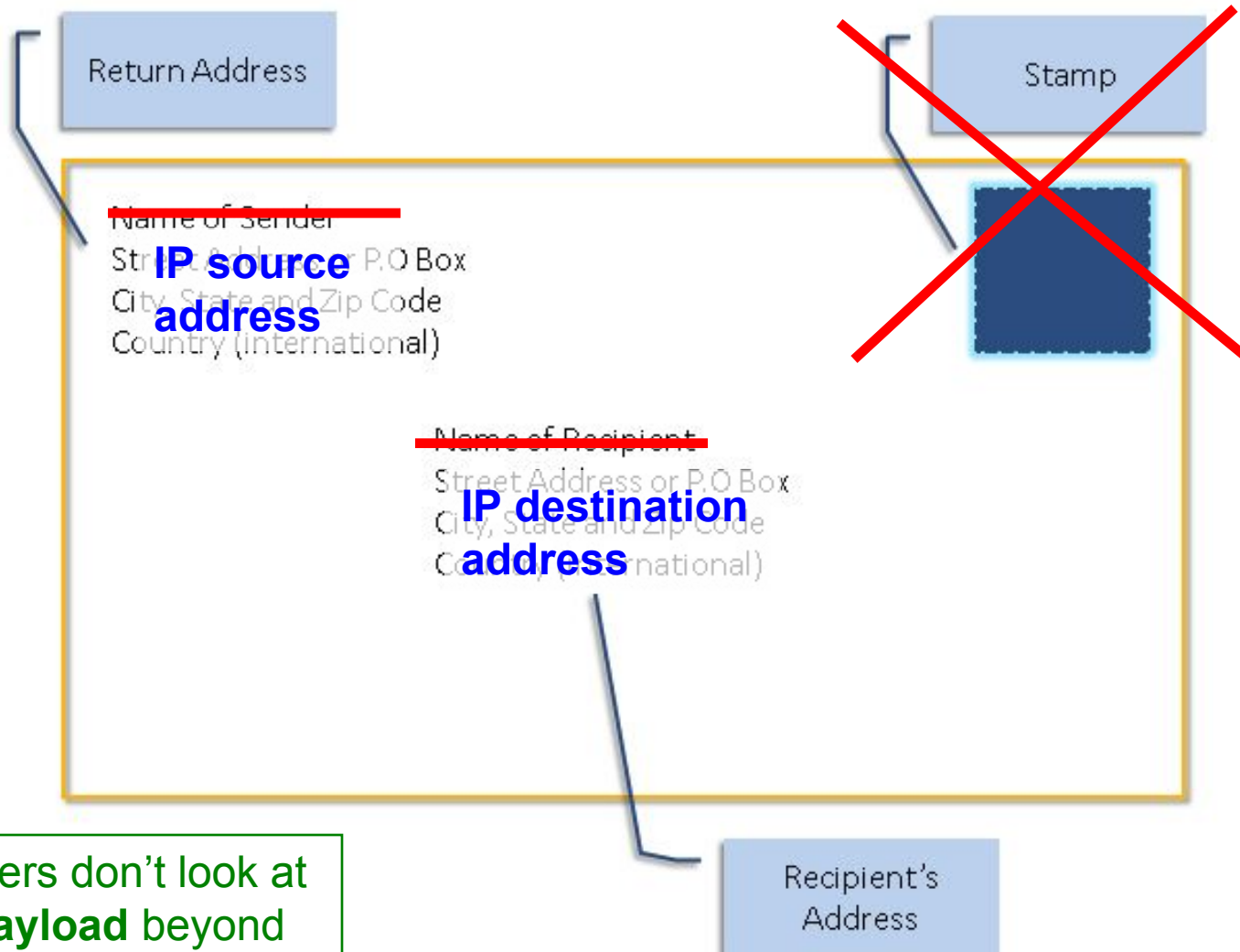
- Two IP addresses
 - Source IP address (32 bits)
 - Destination IP address (32 bits)
- Destination address
 - Unique **identifier/locator** for the receiving host
 - Allows each node to make forwarding decisions
- Source address
 - Unique identifier/locator for the sending host
 - Recipient can decide whether to accept packet
 - Enables recipient to send a reply back to source

Postal Envelopes:



(Post office doesn't look at the letter inside the envelope)

Analogy of IP to Postal Envelopes:



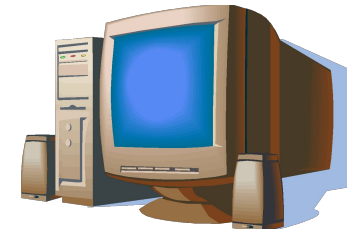
IP: “*Best Effort*” Packet Delivery

- Routers inspect destination address, locate “next hop” in forwarding table
 - Address = ~unique **identifier/locator** for the receiving host
- Only provides a “*I’ll give it a try*” delivery service:
 - Packets may be lost
 - Packets may be corrupted
 - Packets may be delivered out of order

source



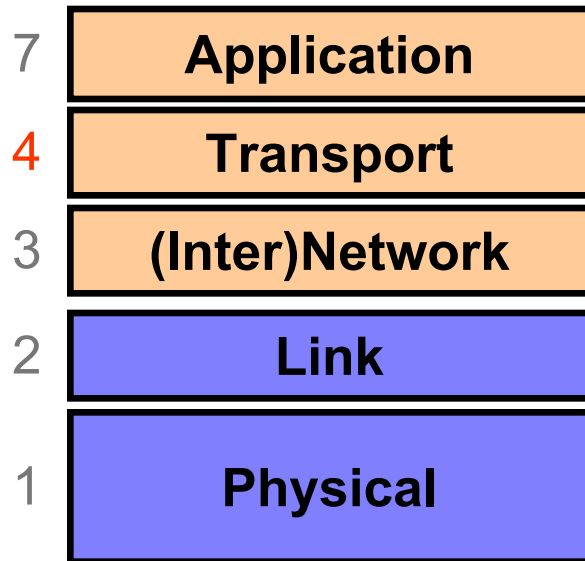
destination



“Best Effort” is Lame! What to do?

- It's the job of our Transport (layer 4) protocols to build services our apps need out of IP's modest layer-3 service

Layer 4: Transport Layer



End-to-end communication between processes

Different services provided:
TCP = reliable *byte stream*
UDP = *unreliable datagrams*

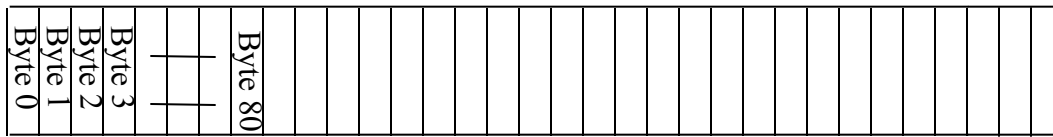
(Datagram = single packet message)

“Best Effort” is Lame! What to do?

- It's the job of our Transport (layer 4) protocols to build services our apps need out of IP's modest layer-3 service
- #1 workhorse: TCP (Transmission Control Protocol)
- Service provided by TCP:
 - Connection oriented (explicit set-up / tear-down)
 - o End hosts (processes) can have multiple concurrent long-lived communication
 - **Reliable**, in-order, *byte-stream* delivery
 - o Robust detection & retransmission of lost data

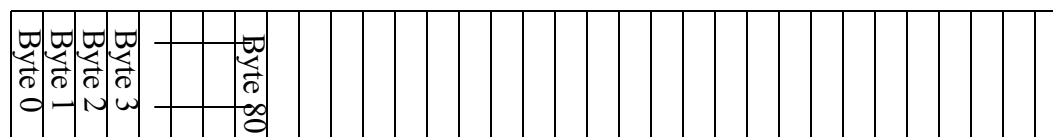
TCP “Bytestream” Service

Process A on host H1



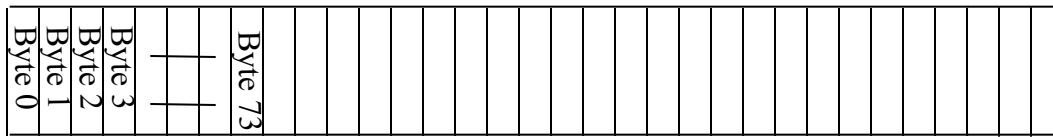
Hosts don't ever see packet boundaries, lost or corrupted packets, retransmissions, etc.

Process B
on host H2



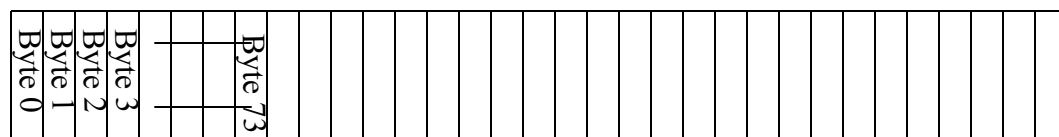
Bidirectional communication:

Process B on host H2

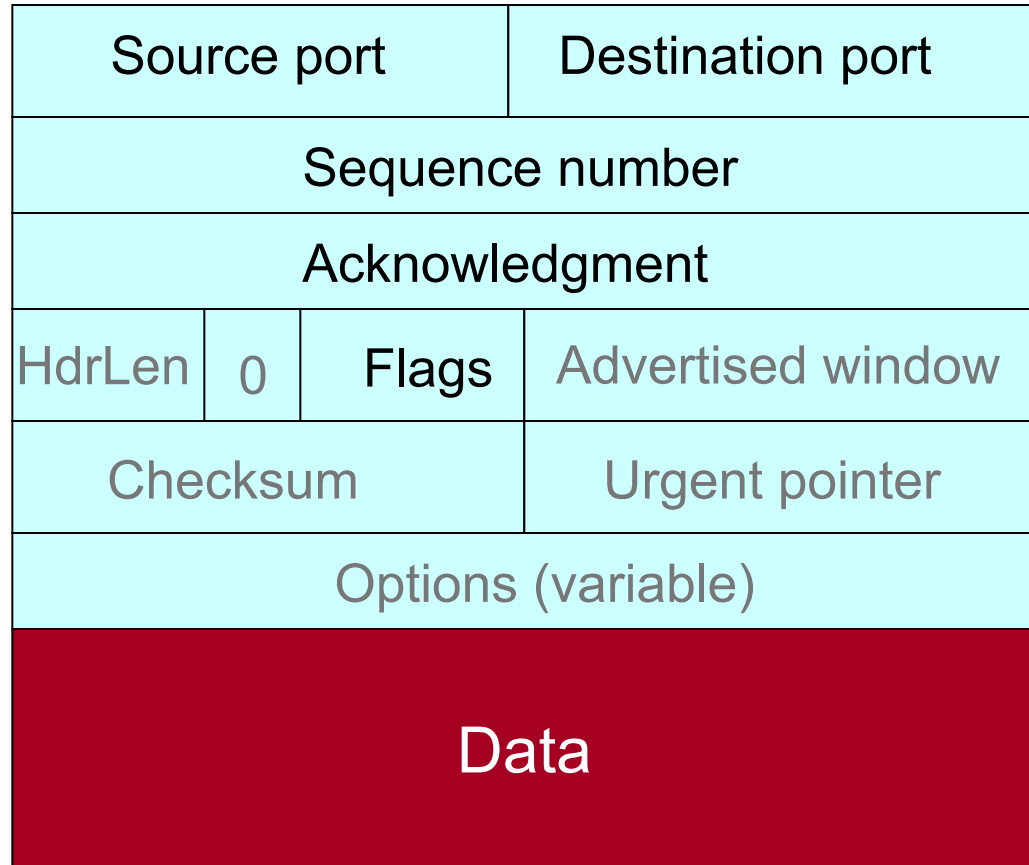


There are two separate **bytestreams**, one in each direction

Process A on host H1

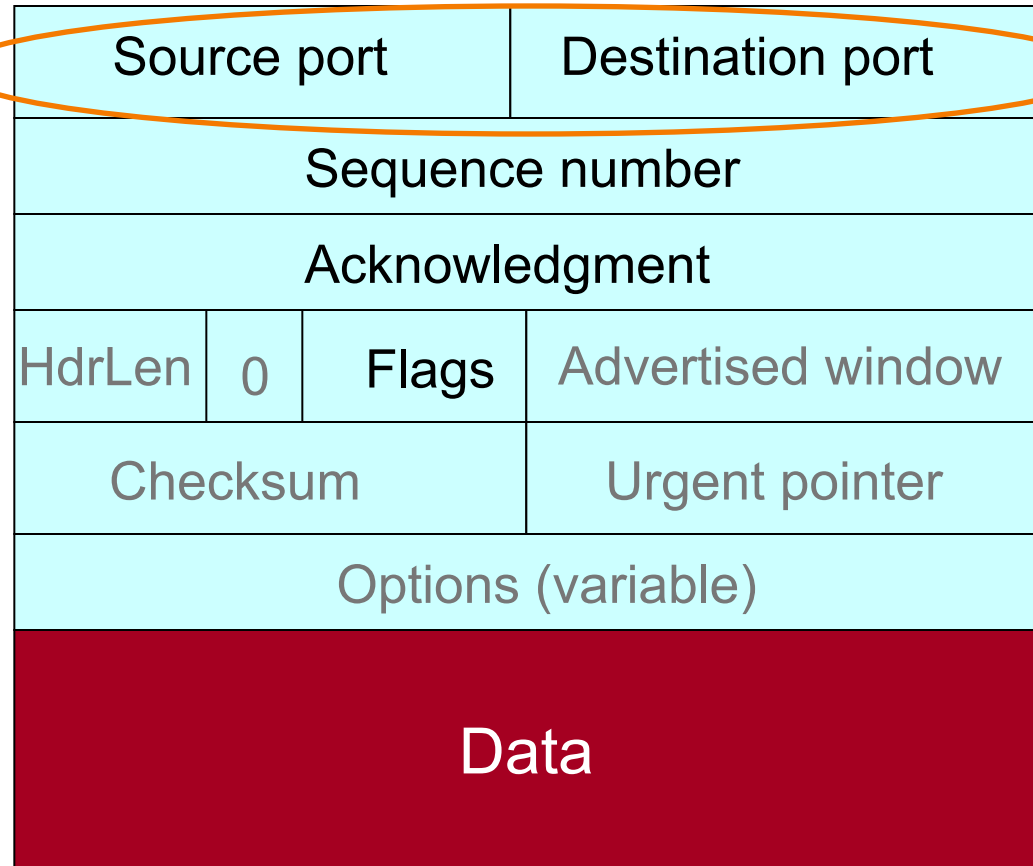


TCP Header



TCP Header

Ports are associated with OS processes



TCP Header

(Link Layer Header)

(IP Header)

Ports are associated with OS processes

IP source & destination addresses plus TCP source and destination ports uniquely identifies a TCP connection

Source port

Destination port

Sequence number

Acknowledgment

HdrLen

0

Flags

Advertised window

Checksum

Urgent pointer

Options (variable)

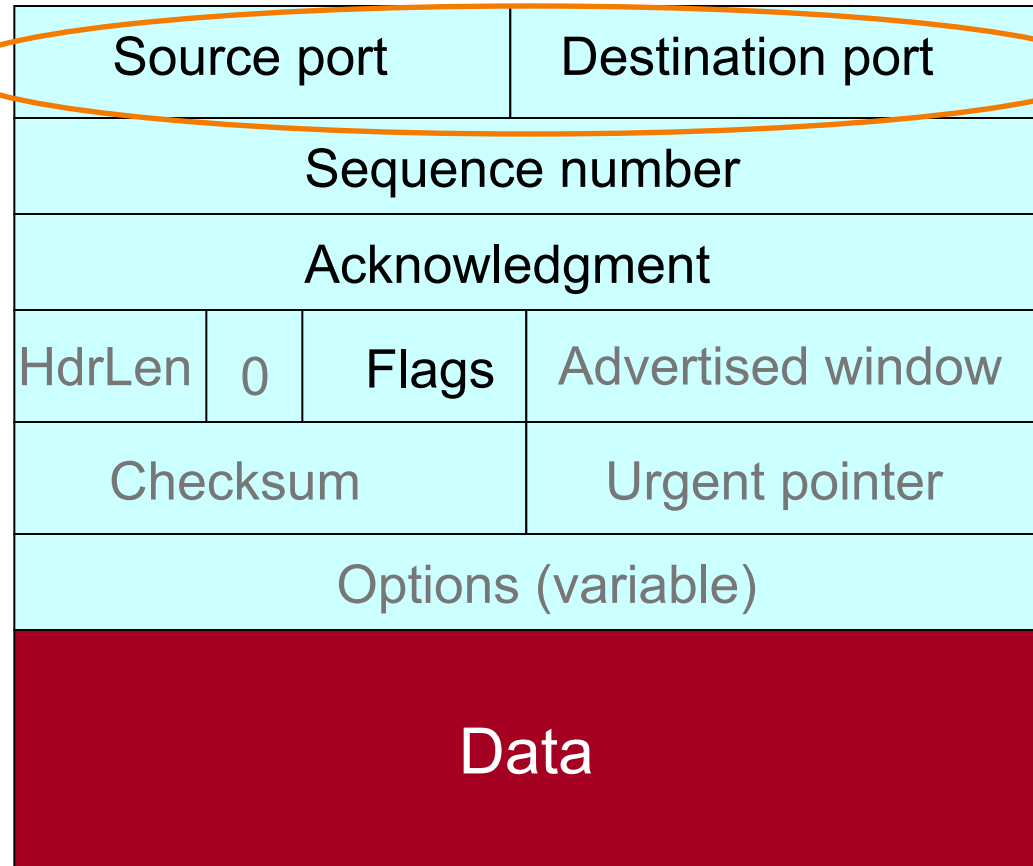
Data

TCP Header

Ports are associated with OS processes

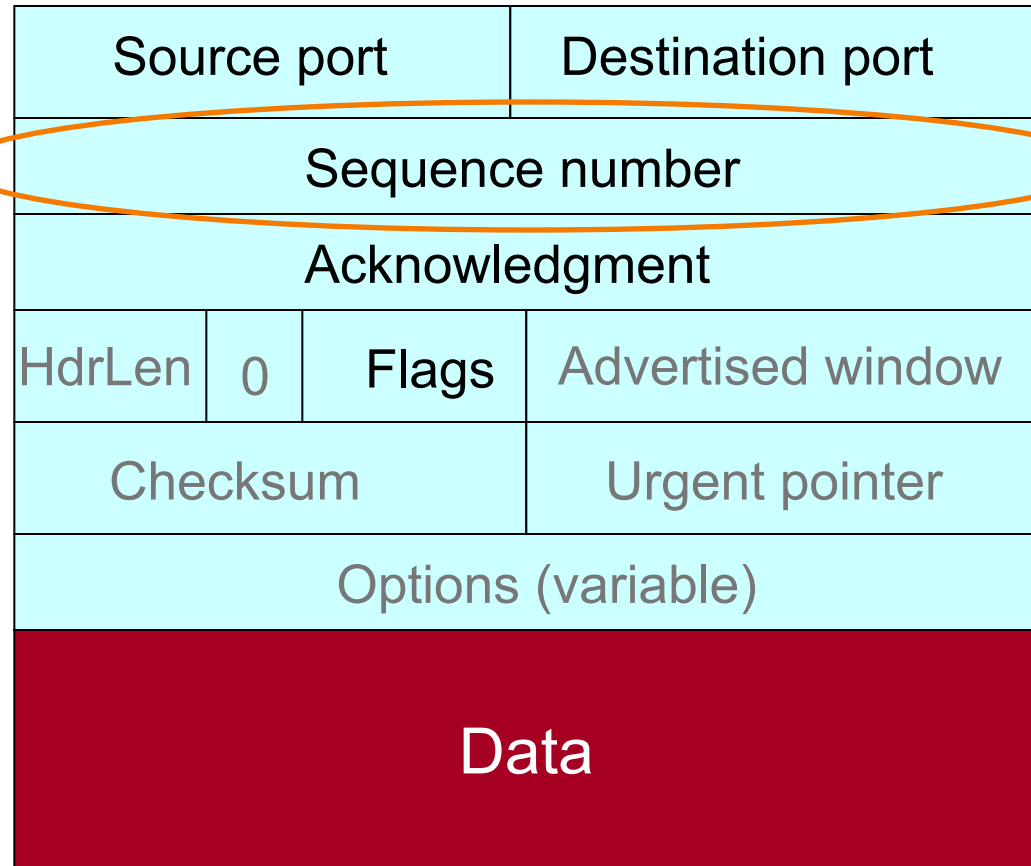
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Some port numbers are "well known" / reserved
e.g. port 80 = HTTP



TCP Header

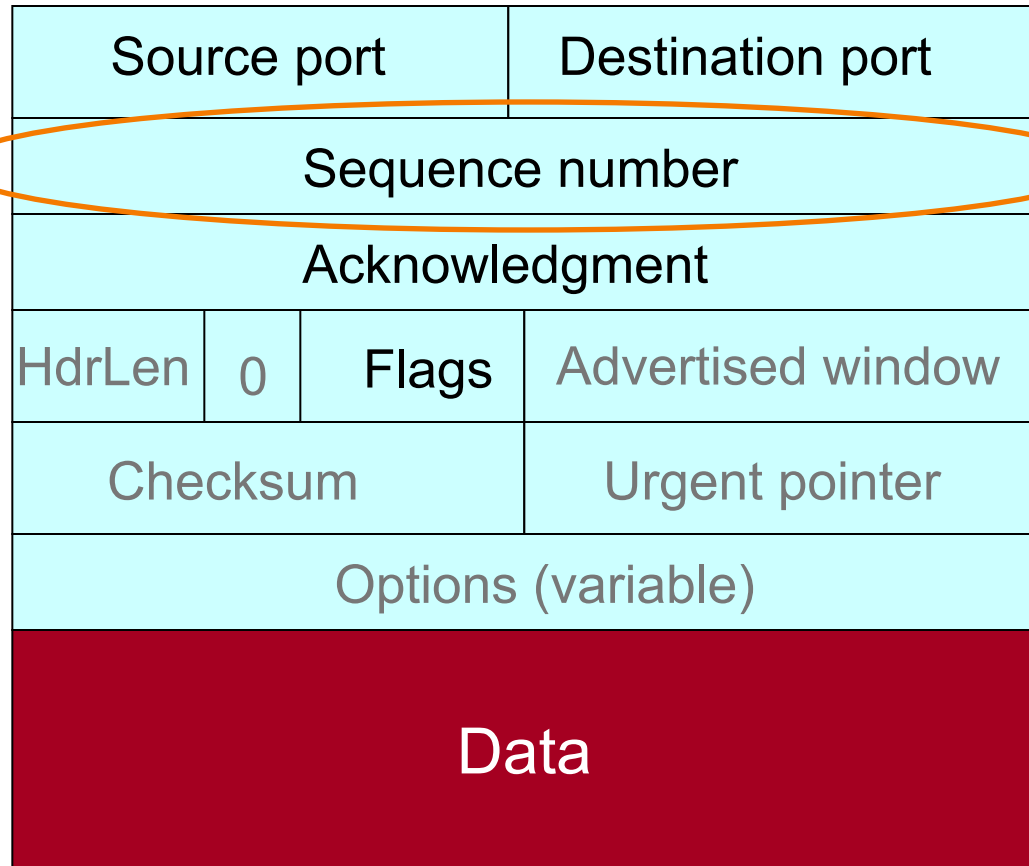
Starting sequence number (byte offset) of data carried in this packet



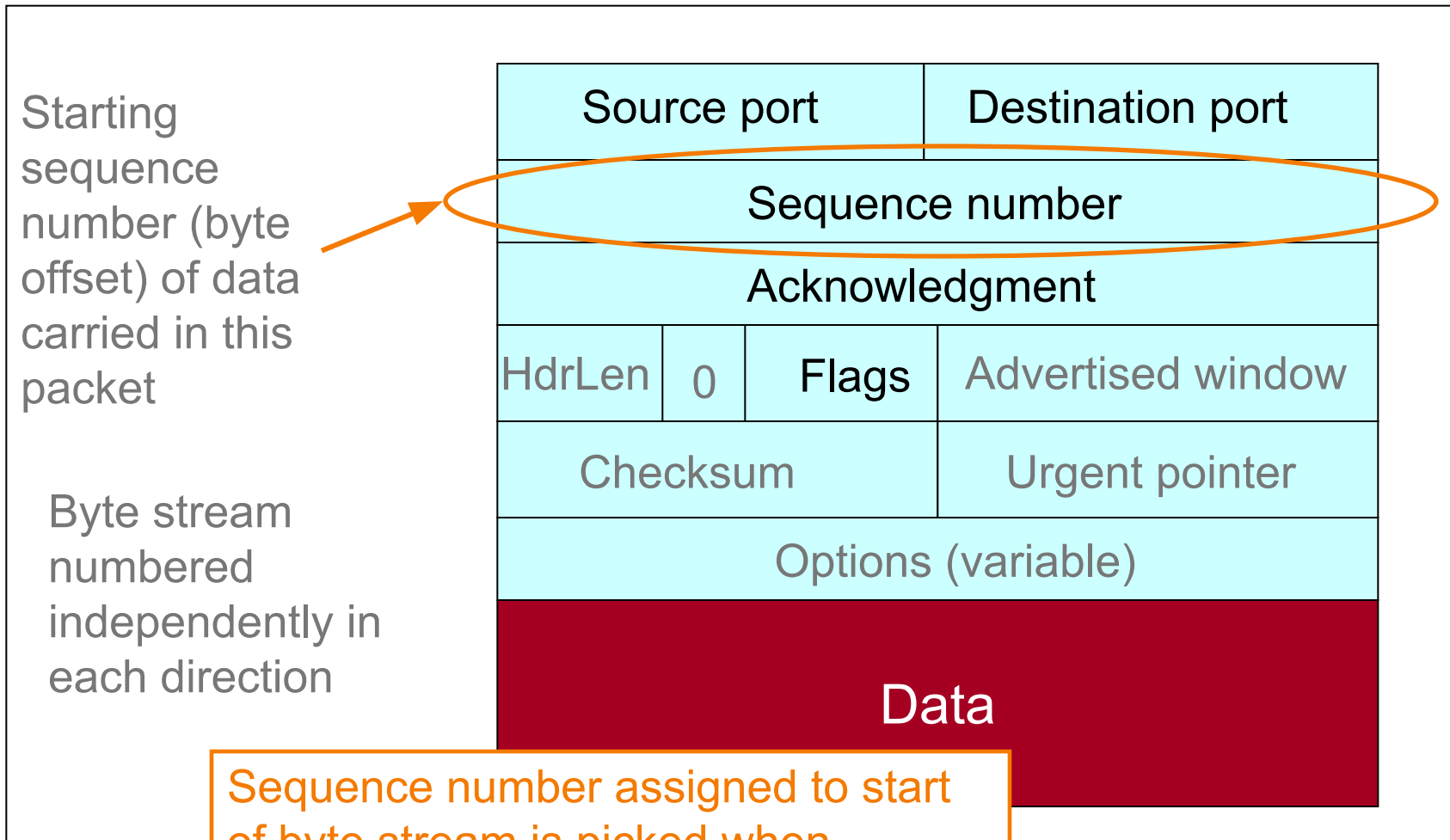
TCP Header

Starting sequence number (byte offset) of data carried in this packet

Byte streams numbered independently in each direction



TCP Header

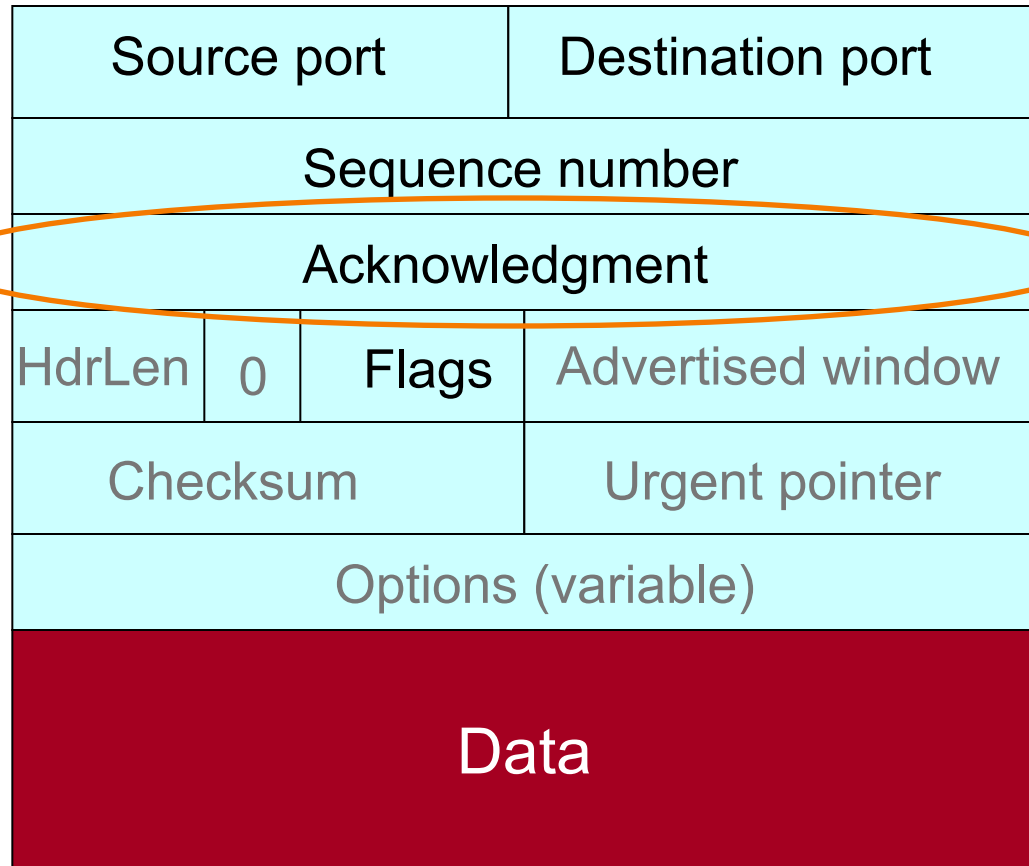


Sequence number assigned to start of byte stream is picked when connection begins; **doesn't** start at 0

TCP Header

Acknowledgment gives seq # **just beyond** highest seq. received **in order**.

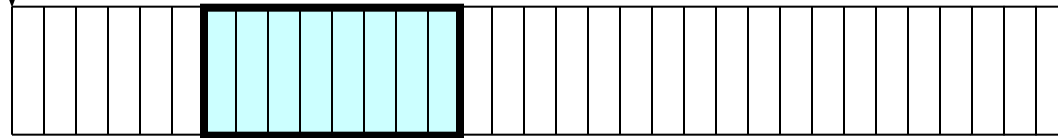
If sender sends **N** bytestream bytes starting at seq **S** then “ack” for it will be **S+N**.



Sequence Numbers

Host A

ISN (initial sequence number)



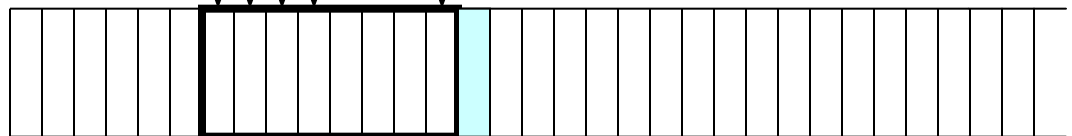
Sequence number from A = 1st byte of data



ACK sequence number from B = next expected byte



Host B

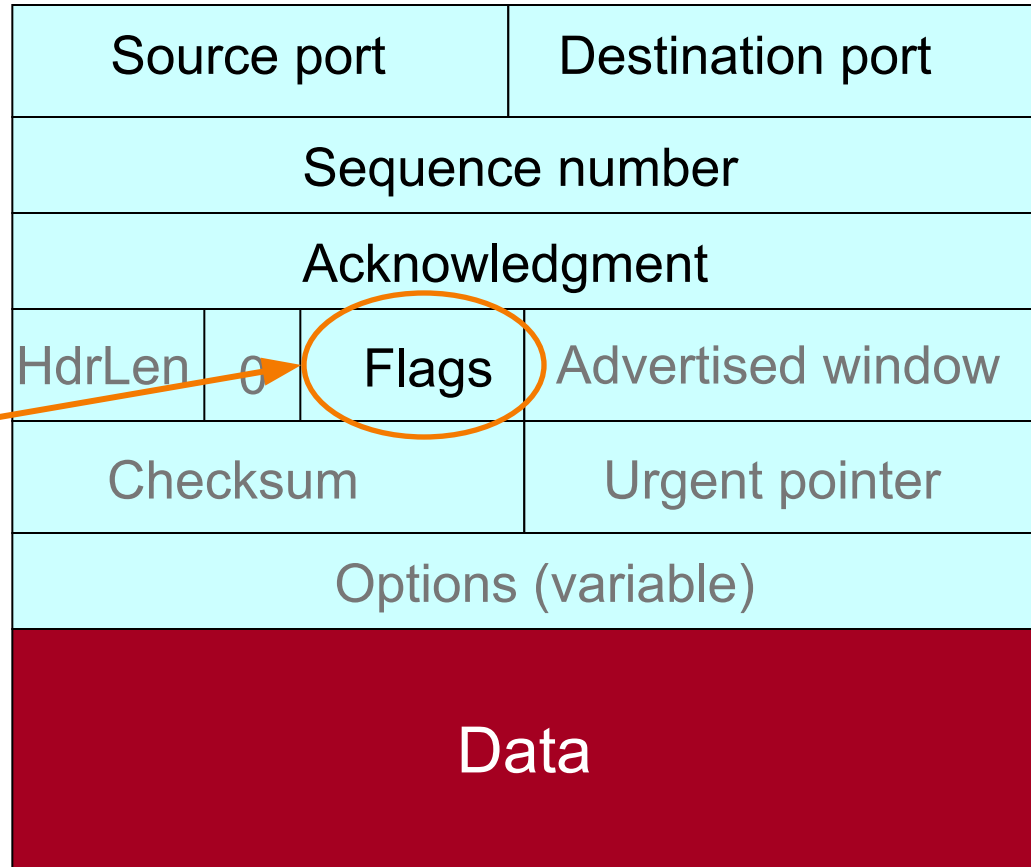


TCP Header

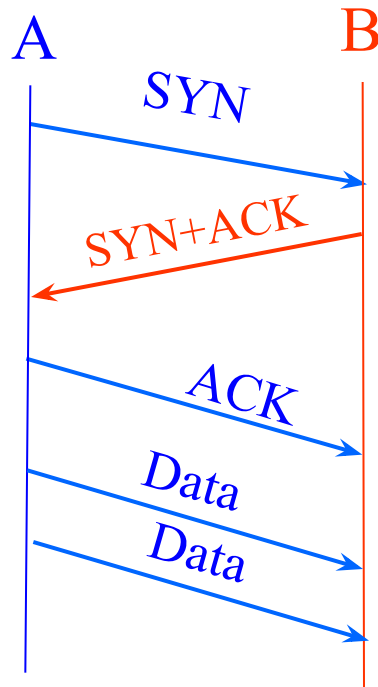
Uses include:

acknowledging
data (“**ACK**”)

setting up (“**SYN**”)
and closing
connections
 (“**FIN**” and “**RST**”)



Establishing a TCP Connection

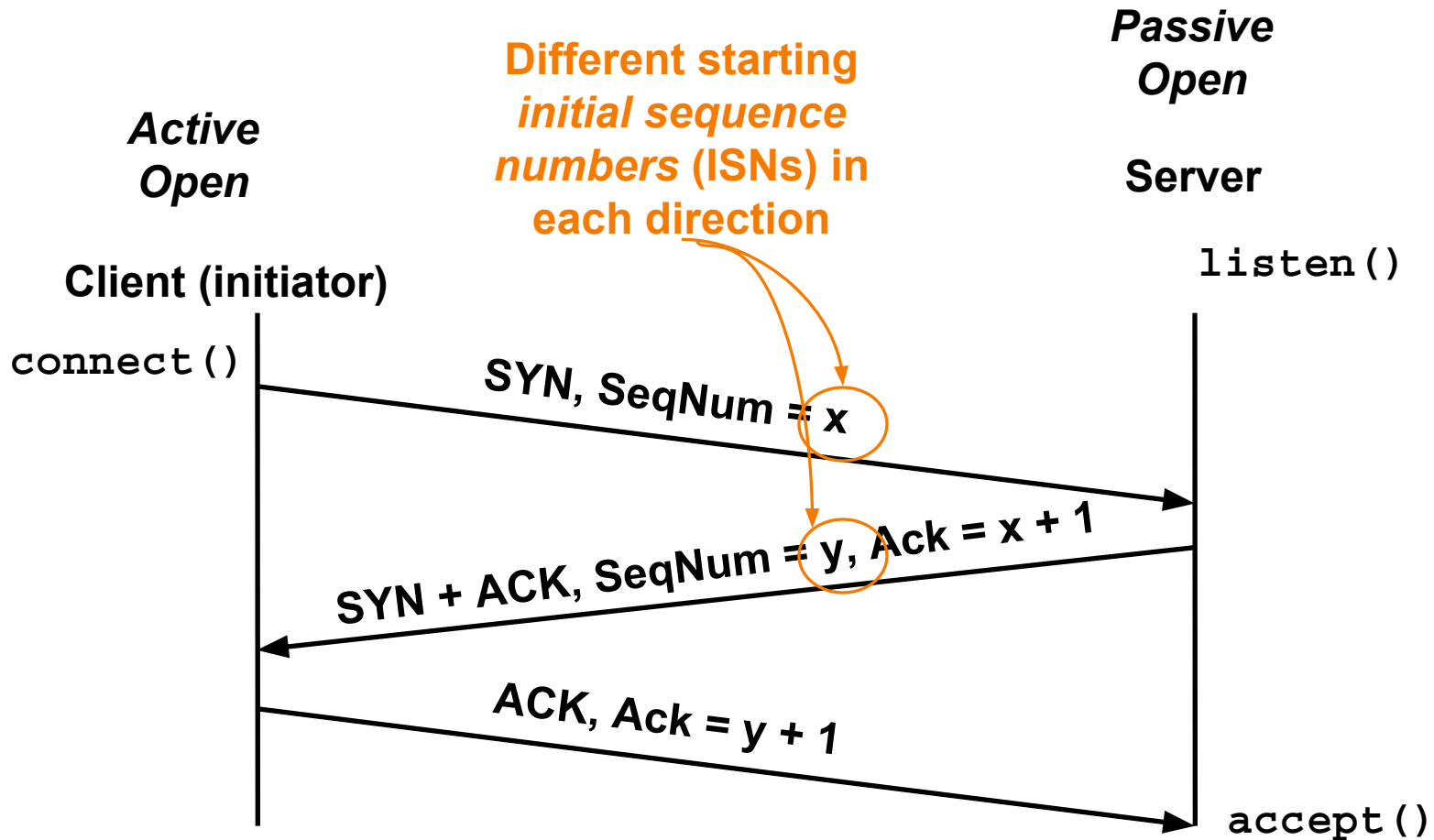


Each host tells its *Initial Sequence Number (ISN)* to the other host.

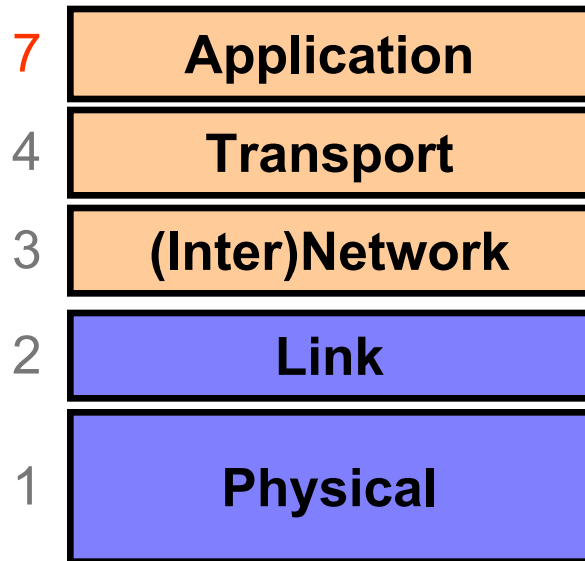
(Spec says to pick based on local clock)

- Three-way handshake to establish connection
 - Host A sends a **SYN** (open; “synchronize sequence numbers”) to host B
 - Host B returns a SYN acknowledgment (**SYN+ACK**)
 - Host A sends an **ACK** to acknowledge the SYN+ACK

Timing Diagram: 3-Way Handshaking



Layer 7: Application Layer



Communication of whatever you wish

Can use whatever transport(s) is convenient

Freely structured

E.g.:

Skype, SMTP (email),
HTTP (Web), Halo, BitTorrent

Web (HTTP) Request

Method

Resource

HTTP version

Headers

GET /index.html HTTP/1.1

Accept: image/gif, image/x-bitmap, image/jpeg, */*

Accept-Language: en

Connection: Keep-Alive

User-Agent: Mozilla/1.22 (compatible; MSIE 2.0; Windows 95)

Host: www.example.com

Referer: http://www.google.com?q=dingbats

Blank line

Data (if POST; none for GET)

GET: download data.

POST: upload data.

Web (HTTP) Response

HTTP version

Status code

Reason phrase

Headers

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Date: Sun, 19 Apr 2009 02:20:42 GMT
Server: Microsoft-Internet-Information-Server/5.0
Connection: keep-alive
Content-Type: text/html
Last-Modified: Sat, 18 Apr 2009 17:39:05 GMT
Set-Cookie: session=44eb; path=/servlets
Content-Length: 2543
```

```
<HTML> Some data... blah, blah, blah </HTML>
```

Data

Host Names vs. IP addresses

- Host names

- Examples: `www.cnn.com` and `bbc.co.uk`
- Mnemonic name appreciated by **humans**
- Variable length, full alphabet of characters
- Provide little (if any) information about location

- IP addresses

- Examples: `64.236.16.20` and `212.58.224.131`
- Numerical address appreciated by **routers**
- Fixed length, binary number
- Hierarchical, related to host location

**Networking Attacks:
Link-, IP-, and TCP-layer
attacks**

General Communication Security Goals: CIA

- Confidentiality:

- No one can *read* our *data* / *communication* unless we want them to

- Integrity

- No one can *manipulate* our *data* / *processing* / *communication* unless we want them to

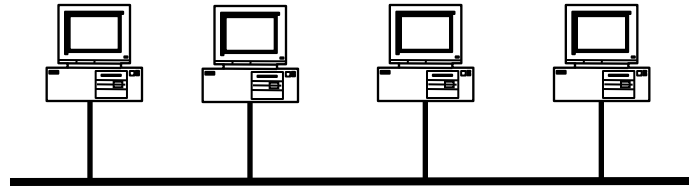
- Availability

- We can *access* our *data* / conduct our *processing* / use our *communication* capabilities when we want to

No security built in at the network level

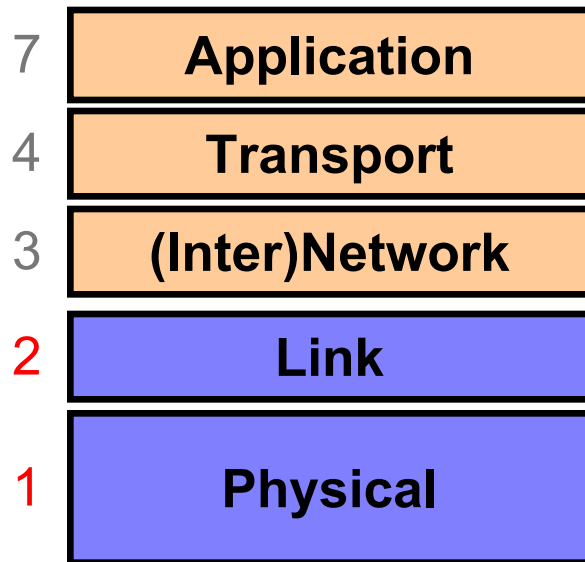
- Everything you have seen in this lecture is just plaintext, to integrity attached to it so an attacker can easily spoof packets at multiple levels
- TLS will give application level security

Link-layer threats



- Confidentiality: eavesdropping (aka sniffing)
- Integrity: injection of spoofed packets
- Availability: delete legit packets (e.g., jamming)

Layers 1 & 2: General Threats?



Framing and transmission of a collection of bits into individual **messages** sent across a single “subnetwork” (one physical technology)

Encoding **bits** to send them over a single physical link
e.g. patterns of
*voltage levels /
photon intensities /
RF modulation*

Eavesdropping

- For subnets using **broadcast** technologies (e.g., WiFi, some types of Ethernet), eavesdropping comes for “free”
 - Each attached system’s NIC (= Network Interface Card) can capture any communication on the subnet
 - Some handy tools for doing so
 - o tcpdump / windump (low-level ASCII printout)
 - o Wireshark (GUI for displaying 800+ protocols)

TCPDUMP: Packet Capture & ASCII Dumper

```
demo 2 % tcpdump -r all.trace2
reading from file all.trace2, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet)
21:39:37.772367 IP 10.0.1.9.60627 > 10.0.1.255.canon-bjnp2: UDP, length 16
21:39:37.772565 IP 10.0.1.9.62137 > all-systems.mcast.net.canon-bjnp2: UDP, length 16
21:39:39.923030 IP 10.0.1.9.17500 > broadcasthost.17500: UDP, length 130
21:39:39.923305 IP 10.0.1.9.17500 > 10.0.1.255.17500: UDP, length 130
21:39:42.286770 IP 10.0.1.13.61901 > star-01-02-pao1.facebook.com.http: Flags [S], seq 2
523449627, win 65535, options [mss 1460,nop,wscale 3,nop,nop,TS val 429017455 ecr 0,sack
OK,eol], length 0
21:39:42.309138 IP star-01-02-pao1.facebook.com.http > 10.0.1.13.61901: Flags [S.], seq
3585654832, ack 2523449628, win 14480, options [mss 1460,sackOK,TS val 1765826995 ecr 42
9017455,nop,wscale 9], length 0
21:39:42.309263 IP 10.0.1.13.61901 > star-01-02-pao1.facebook.com.http: Flags [.], ack 1
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21:39:42.309796 IP 10.0.1.13.61901 > star-01-02-pao1.facebook.com.http: Flags [P.], seq
1:525, ack 1, win 65535, options [nop,nop,TS val 429017456 ecr 1765826995], length 524
21:39:42.326314 IP star-01-02-pao1.facebook.com.http > 10.0.1.13.61901: Flags [.], ack 5
25, win 31, options [nop,nop,TS val 1765827012 ecr 429017456], length 0
21:39:42.398814 IP star-01-02-pao1.facebook.com.http > 10.0.1.13.61901: Flags [P.], seq
1:535, ack 525, win 31, options [nop,nop,TS val 1765827083 ecr 429017456], length 534
21:39:42.398946 IP 10.0.1.13.61901 > star-01-02-pao1.facebook.com.http: Flags [.], ack 5
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21:39:44.838031 IP 10.0.1.9.54277 > 10.0.1.255.canon-bjnp2: UDP, length 16
21:39:44.838213 IP 10.0.1.9.62896 > all-systems.mcast.net.canon-bjnp2: UDP, length 16
```

Wireshark: GUI for Packet Capture/Exam.

The screenshot displays the Wireshark 1.6.2 interface. The main window shows a list of 13 captured packets. Packet 10 is selected, showing its details in the lower pane. The details pane is expanded to show the Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) section, which is a GET request for /1.1 302 Found.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	10.0.1.9	10.0.1.255	BJNP	58	Printer Command: Unknown code (2)
2	0.000198	10.0.1.9	224.0.0.1	BJNP	58	Printer Command: Unknown code (2)
3	2.150663	10.0.1.9	255.255.255.255	DB-LSP-D	172	Dropbox LAN sync Discovery Protocol
4	2.150938	10.0.1.9	10.0.1.255	DB-LSP-D	172	Dropbox LAN sync Discovery Protocol
5	4.514403	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	TCP	78	61901 > http [SYN] Seq=0 Win=65535 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=8 TSval=4290
6	4.536771	31.13.75.23	10.0.1.13	TCP	74	http > 61901 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=14480 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK
7	4.536896	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	TCP	66	61901 > http [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=524280 Len=0 TSval=429017456 T
8	4.537429	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	HTTP	590	GET / HTTP/1.1
9	4.553947	31.13.75.23	10.0.1.13	TCP	66	http > 61901 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=525 Win=15872 Len=0 TSval=1765827012
10	4.626447	31.13.75.23	10.0.1.13	HTTP	600	HTTP/1.1 302 Found
11	4.626579	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	TCP	66	61901 > http [ACK] Seq=525 Ack=535 Win=524280 Len=0 TSval=4290174
12	7.065664	10.0.1.9	10.0.1.255	BJNP	58	Printer Command: Unknown code (2)
13	7.065846	10.0.1.9	224.0.0.1	BJNP	58	Printer Command: Unknown code (2)

Frame 10: 600 bytes on wire (4800 bits), 600 bytes captured (4800 bits)
Ethernet II, Src: Apple_fe:aa:41 (00:25:00:fe:aa:41), Dst: Apple_41:eb:00 (e4:ce:8f:41:eb:00)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 31.13.75.23 (31.13.75.23), Dst: 10.0.1.13 (10.0.1.13)
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: http (80), Dst Port: 61901 (61901), Seq: 1, Ack: 525, Len: 534
Hypertext Transfer Protocol

```
0000 e4 ce 8f 41 eb 00 00 25 00 fe aa 41 08 00 45 20  ...A...% ...A..E
0010 02 4a 67 be 00 00 58 06 83 9f 1f 0d 4b 17 0a 00  .Jg...X. ....K...
0020 01 0d 00 50 f1 cd d5 b8 c0 31 96 68 cb 28 80 18  ...P.... .l.h.(.
0030 00 1f f4 2f 00 00 01 01 08 0a 69 40 62 0b 19 92  .../.... .i@b...
0040 49 70 48 54 54 50 2f 31 2e 31 20 33 30 32 20 46  IpHTTP/1 .1 302 F
```

File: "/Users/vern/tmp/all.trace2" 23... | Packets: 13 Displayed: 13 Marked: 0 Load time: 0:00.109 | Profile: Default

Wireshark: GUI for Packet Capture/Exam.

The screenshot displays the Wireshark 1.6.2 interface. The main window title is "all.trace2 [Wireshark 1.6.2]". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Go, Capture, Analyze, Statistics, Telephony, Tools, Internals, and Help. The toolbar contains various icons for file operations, capture, and analysis. The Filter field is empty, and the packet list shows 13 captured packets. The selected packet (No. 10) is expanded to show its details: Ethernet II, Internet Protocol Version 4, and Transmission Control Protocol (TCP). The TCP details show a GET request from source port 80 to destination port 61901. The packet bytes pane at the bottom shows the raw data in hexadecimal and ASCII, including the ASCII string "ipHTTP/1.1 302 F".

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- Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: http (80), Dst Port: 61901 (61901), Seq: 1, Ack: 525, Len: 534
 - Source port: http (80)
 - Destination port: 61901 (61901)
 - [Stream index: 0]
 - Sequence number: 1 (relative sequence number)
 - [Next sequence number: 535 (relative sequence number)]
 - Acknowledgement number: 525 (relative ack number)
 - Header length: 32 bytes
 - Flags: 0x18 (PSH, ACK)
 - Window size value: 31
 - [Calculated window size: 15872]
 - [Window size scaling factor: 512]
 - Checksum: 0xf42f [validation disabled]

0000 e4 ce 8f 41 eb 00 00 25 00 fe aa 41 08 00 45 20 ...A...% ...A.E

0010 02 4a 67 be 00 00 58 06 83 9f 1f 0d 4b 17 0a 00 ...Jg...X.K...

0020 01 0d 00 50 f1 cd d5 b8 c0 31 96 68 cb 28 80 18 ...P.... .l.h.(.

0030 00 1f f4 2f 00 00 01 01 08 0a 69 40 62 0b 19 92 .../.... .i@b...

0040 49 70 48 54 54 50 2f 31 2e 31 20 33 30 32 20 46 IpHTTP/1.1 302 F

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Wireshark: GUI for Packet Capture/Exam.

The screenshot displays the Wireshark 1.6.2 interface. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Go, Capture, Analyze, Statistics, Telephony, Tools, Internals, and Help. Below the menu is a toolbar with various icons for file operations, navigation, and analysis. A filter field is set to 'Expression... Clear Apply'. The main display area shows a list of 13 captured packets. Packet 10 is selected, showing its details in the lower pane. The details pane is expanded to show the Hypertext Transfer Protocol section, which includes the status 'HTTP/1.1 302 Found' and various headers such as Location, P3P, Set-Cookie, Content-Type, X-FB-Debug, Date, Connection, and Content-Length. The bottom status bar indicates 'Frame (frame), 600 bytes', 'Packets: 13 Displayed: 13 Marked: 0 Load time: 0:00.109', and 'Profile: Default'.

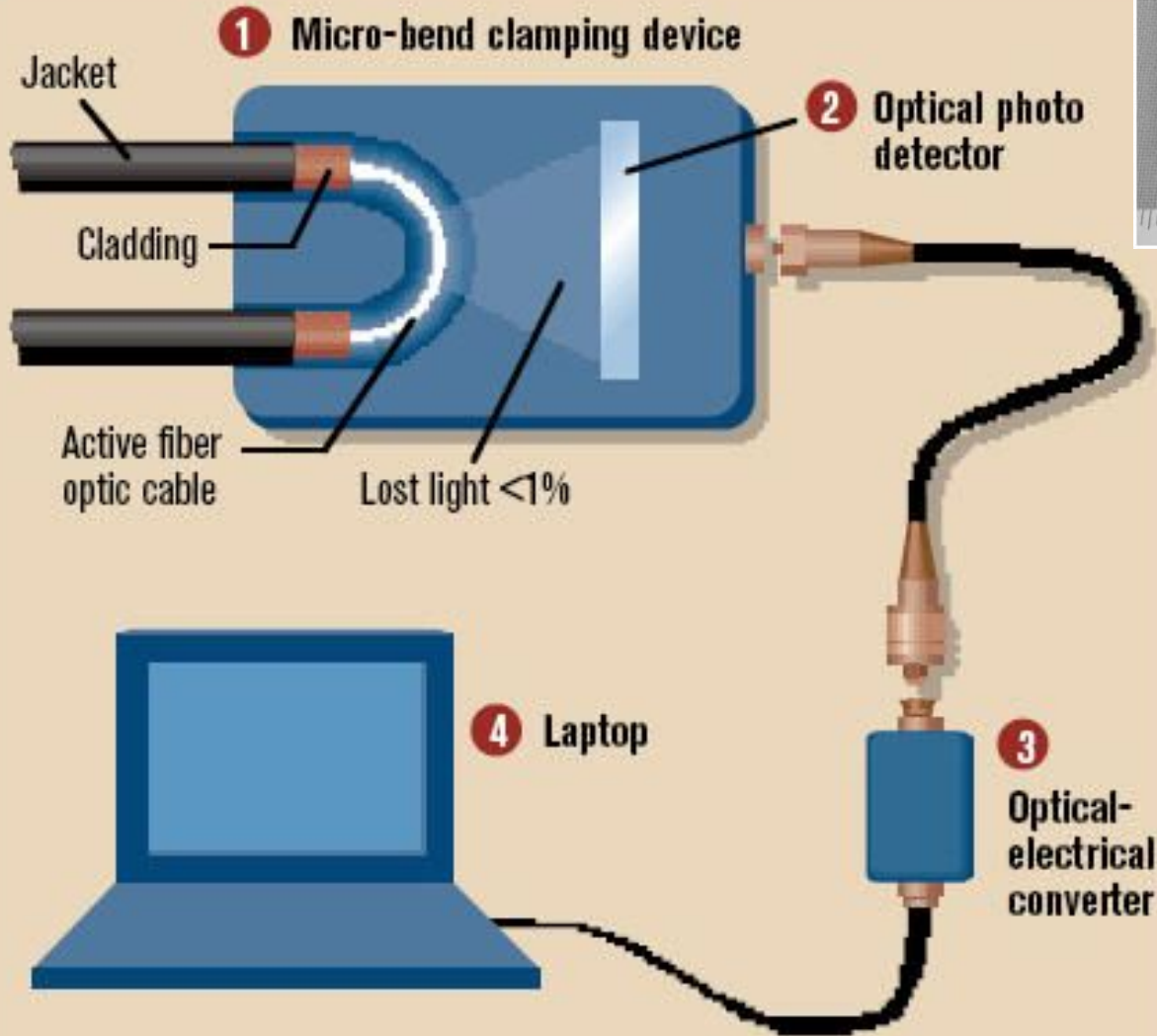
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3	2.150663	10.0.1.9	255.255.255.255	DB-LSP-D	172	Dropbox LAN sync Discovery Protocol
4	2.150938	10.0.1.9	10.0.1.255	DB-LSP-D	172	Dropbox LAN sync Discovery Protocol
5	4.514403	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	TCP	78	61901 > http [SYN] Seq=0 Win=65535 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=8 TSval=4290
6	4.536771	31.13.75.23	10.0.1.13	TCP	74	http > 61901 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=14480 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK
7	4.536896	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	TCP	66	61901 > http [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=524280 Len=0 TSval=429017456 T
8	4.537429	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	HTTP	590	GET / HTTP/1.1
9	4.553947	31.13.75.23	10.0.1.13	TCP	66	http > 61901 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=525 Win=15872 Len=0 TSval=1765827012
10	4.626447	31.13.75.23	10.0.1.13	HTTP	600	HTTP/1.1 302 Found
11	4.626579	10.0.1.13	31.13.75.23	TCP	66	61901 > http [ACK] Seq=525 Ack=535 Win=524280 Len=0 TSval=4290174
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13	7.065846	10.0.1.9	224.0.0.1	BJNP	58	Printer Command: Unknown code (2)

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Frame 10: 600 bytes on wire (4800 bits), 600 bytes captured (4800 bits) on eth0
Ethernet II, Src: Apple_fe:aa:41 (00:25:00:fe:aa:41), Dst: Apple_41:eb:00 (e4:ce:8f:41:eb:00)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 31.13.75.23 (31.13.75.23), Dst: 10.0.1.13 (10.0.1.13)
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: http (80), Dst Port: 61901 (61901), Seq: 1, Ack: 525, Len: 534
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
  HTTP/1.1 302 Found\r\n
    Location: https://www.facebook.com/\r\n
    P3P: CP="Facebook does not have a P3P policy. Learn why here: http://fb.me/p3p"\r\n
    Set-Cookie: highContrast=deleted; expires=Thu, 01-Jan-1970 00:00:01 GMT; path=/; domain=.facebook.com; httponly\r\n
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    X-FB-Debug: Os+s1ArTHbmLqsy+ArGAuQyqZYR4ZqbjmFoaJz0goag=\r\n
    Date: Thu, 07 Feb 2013 05:39:42 GMT\r\n
    Connection: keep-alive\r\n
  Content-Length: 0\r\n
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Stealing Photons



Operation Ivy Bells

*By Matthew Carle
Military.com*

At the beginning of the 1970's, divers from the specially-equipped submarine, USS Halibut (SSN 587), left their decompression chamber to start a bold and dangerous mission, code named "Ivy Bells".



The Regulus guided missile submarine, USS Halibut (SSN 587) which carried out Operation Ivy Bells.



In an effort to alter the balance of Cold War, these men scoured the ocean floor for a five-inch diameter cable carry secret Soviet communications between military bases.

The divers found the cable and installed a 20-foot long listening device on the cable. designed to attach to the cable without piercing the casing, the device recorded all communications that occurred. If the cable malfunctioned and the Soviets raised it for repair, the bug, by design, would fall to the bottom of the ocean. Each month Navy divers retrieved the recordings and installed a new set of tapes.

Upon their return to the United States, intelligence agents from the NSA analyzed the recordings and tried to decipher any encrypted information. The Soviets apparently were confident in the security of their communications lines, as a surprising amount of sensitive information traveled through the lines without encryption.

prison. The original tap that was discovered by the Soviets is now on exhibit at the KGB museum in Moscow.

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Sabotage attacks knock out phone service

Nanette Asimov, Ryan Kim, Kevin Fagan, Chronicle Staff Writers
Friday, April 10, 2009

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(04-10) 04:00 PDT SAN JOSE --

Police are hunting for vandals who chopped fiber-optic cables and killed landlines, cell phones and Internet service for tens of thousands of people in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and San Benito counties on Thursday.

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"I pity the individuals who have done this," said San Jose Police Chief Rob Davis.

Ten fiber-optic cables carrying were cut at four locations in the predawn darkness. Residential and business customers quickly found that telephone service was perhaps more laced into their everyday needs than they thought. Suddenly they couldn't draw out money, send text messages, check e-mail or Web sites, call anyone for help, or even check on friends or relatives down the road.

Several people had to be driven to hospitals because they were unable to summon ambulances. Many businesses lapsed into idleness for hours, without the ability to contact associates or customers.

More than 50,000 landline customers lost service - some were residential, others were business lines that needed the connections for ATMs, Internet and bank card transactions. One line alone could affect hundreds of users.

The sabotage essentially froze operations in parts of the three counties at hospitals, stores, banks and police and fire departments that rely on 911 calls, computerized medical records, ATMs and credit and debit cards.

The full extent of the havoc might not be known for days, emergency officials said as they finished repairing the damage late Thursday.

Whatever the final toll, one thing is certain: Whoever did this is in a world of trouble if he, she or they get caught.

NEWS | LOCAL BEAT

\$250K Reward Out for Vandals Who Cut AT&T Lines

Local emergency declared during outage

By LORI PREUITT

Updated 2:12 PM PST, Fri, Apr 10, 2009

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AT&T is now offering a \$250,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of whoever is responsible for severing lines fiber optic cables in San Jose the left much of the area without phone or cell service Thursday.

John Britton of AT&T said the reward is the largest ever offered by the company.

Link-Layer Threat: Spoofing

- Attacker can inject spoofed packets, and lie about the source address

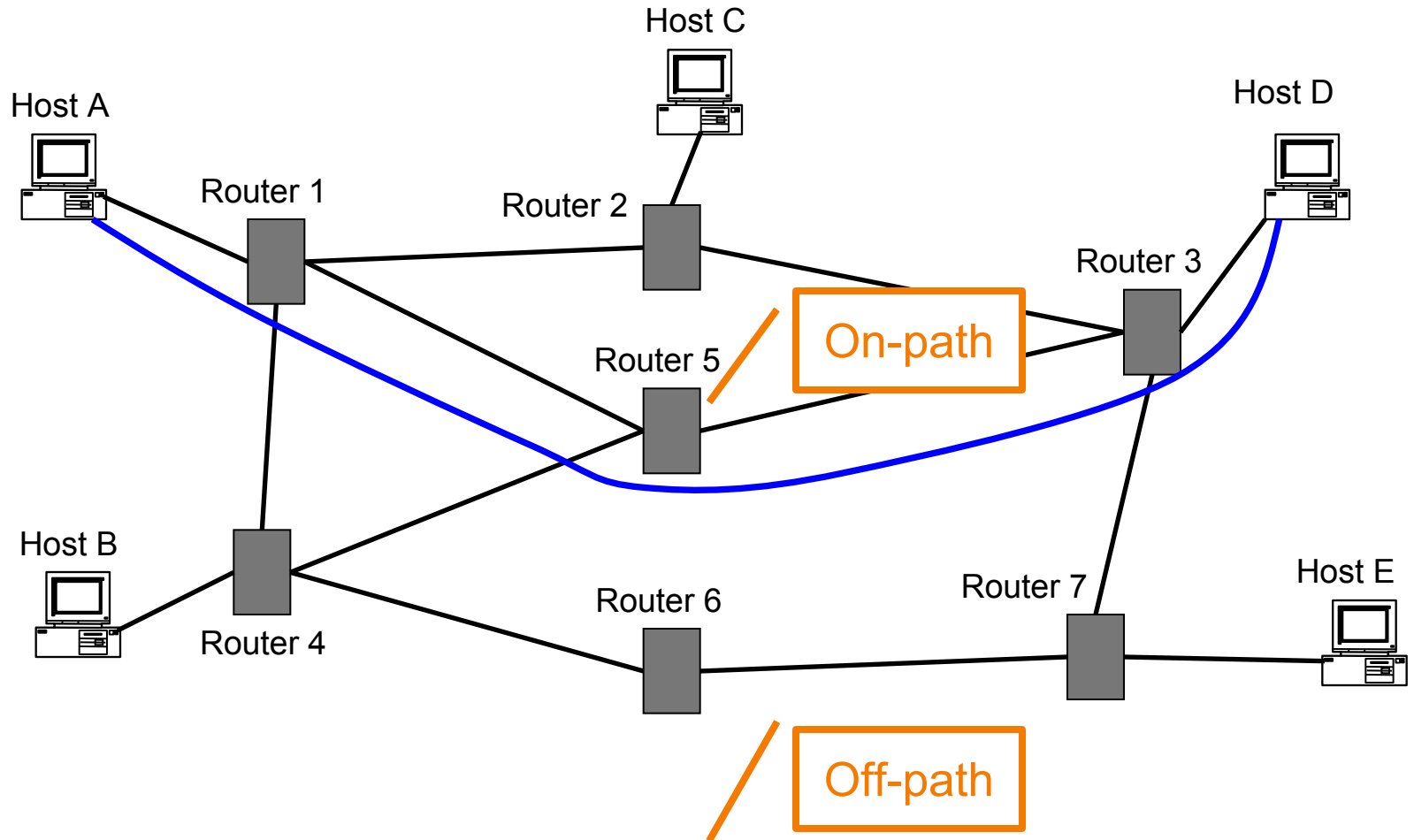


Physical/Link-Layer Threats: *Spoofing*

- With physical access to a local network, attacker can create any message they like
 - When with a bogus source address: *spoofing*
- When using a typical computer, may require root/administrator to have full freedom
- Particularly powerful when combined with *eavesdropping*
 - Because attacker can understand exact state of victim's communication and craft their spoofed traffic to match it
 - Spoofing w/o eavesdropping = *blind spoofing*

On-path vs Off-path Spoofing

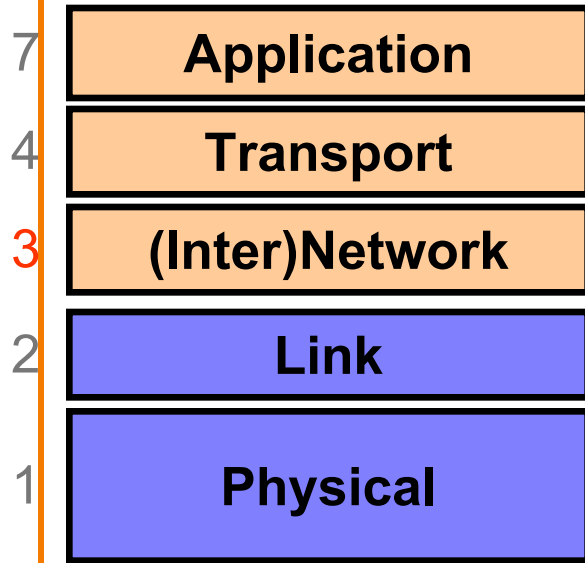
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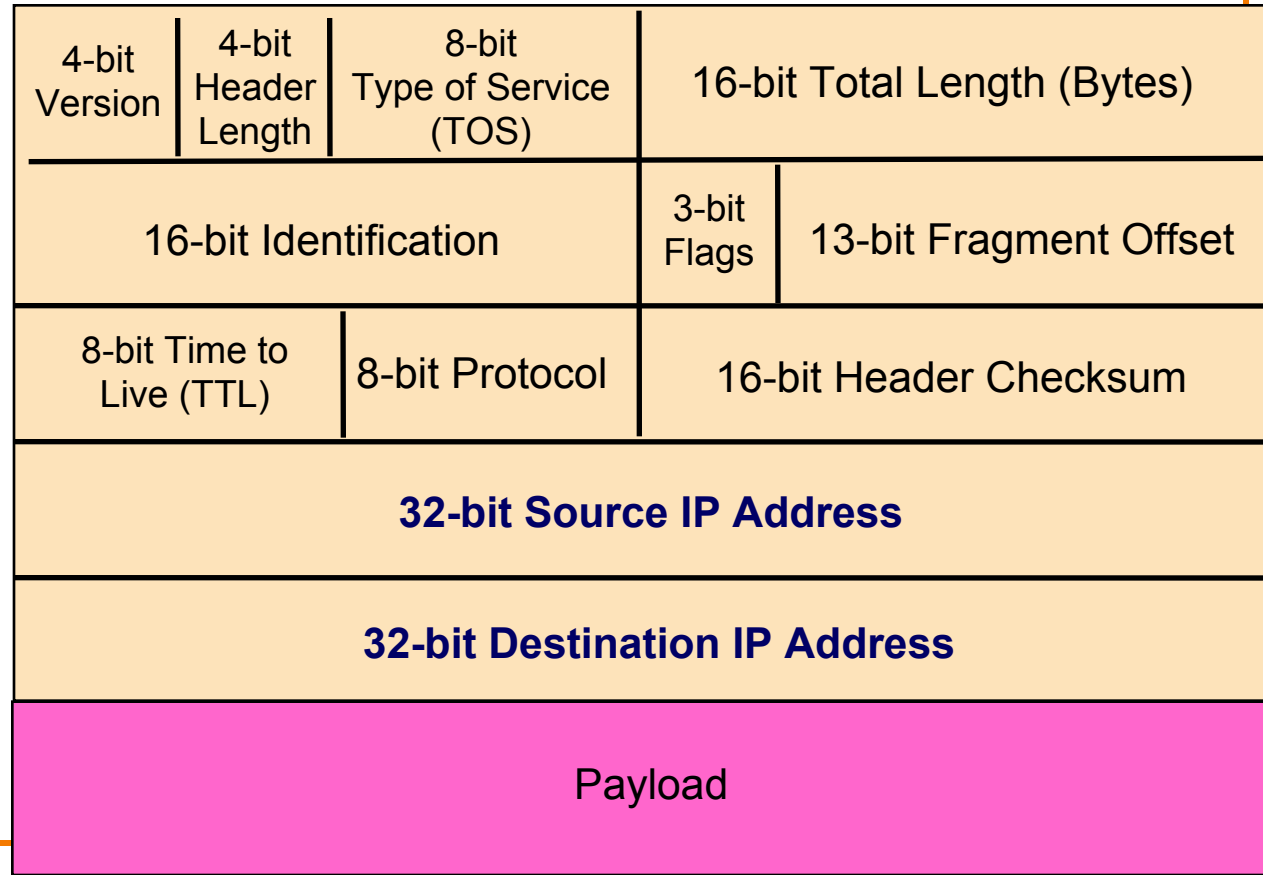
Spoofting on the Internet

- On-path attackers can see victim's traffic ⇒ spoofing is easy
- Off-path attackers can't see victim's traffic
 - They have to resort to blind spoofing
 - Often must **guess/infer** header values to succeed
 - We then care about work factor: how hard is this
 - But sometimes they can just **brute force**
 - E.g., 16-bit value: just try all 65,536 possibilities!
- When we say an attacker “can spoof”, we usually mean “w/ reasonable chance of success”

Layer 3: General Threats?



Bridges multiple “subnets” to provide *end-to-end* internet connectivity between nodes



IP = Internet Protocol

IP-Layer Threats

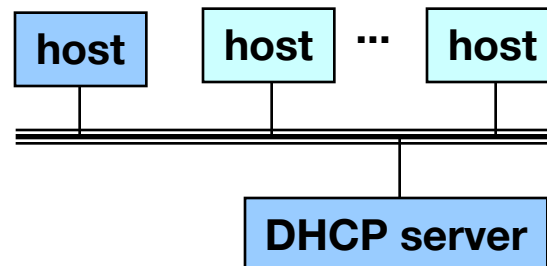
- Can set arbitrary source address
 - “**Spoo**ffing” - receiver has no idea who you are
 - Could be **blind**, or could be coupled w/ **sniffing**
 - Note: many attacks require **two-way communication**
 - o So successful off-path/blind spoofing might not suffice
- Can set arbitrary destination address
 - Enables “**scanning**” – brute force searching for hosts
- Can *send like crazy* (**flooding**)
 - IP has no general mechanism for tracking **overuse**
 - IP has no general mechanism for tracking **consent**
 - Very hard to tell where a spoofed flood comes from!
- **If** attacker can **manipulate routing**, can bring traffic to themselves for *eavesdropping* (not easy)

DNS Service

- Runs Domain Name Servers
- Translates domain names google.com to IP addresses
- When user browser wants to contact google.com, it first contacts a DNS to find out the IP address for google.com and then sends a packet to that IP address
- More in future lectures..

LAN Bootstrapping: DHCP

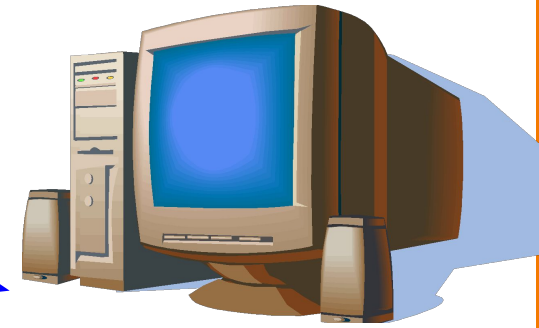
- New host doesn't have an IP address yet
 - So, host doesn't know what source address to use
- Host doesn't know *who to ask* for an IP address
 - So, host doesn't know what destination address to use
- Solution: shout to “**discover**” server that can help
 - **Broadcast** a server-discovery message (layer 2)
 - Server(s) sends a reply offering an address



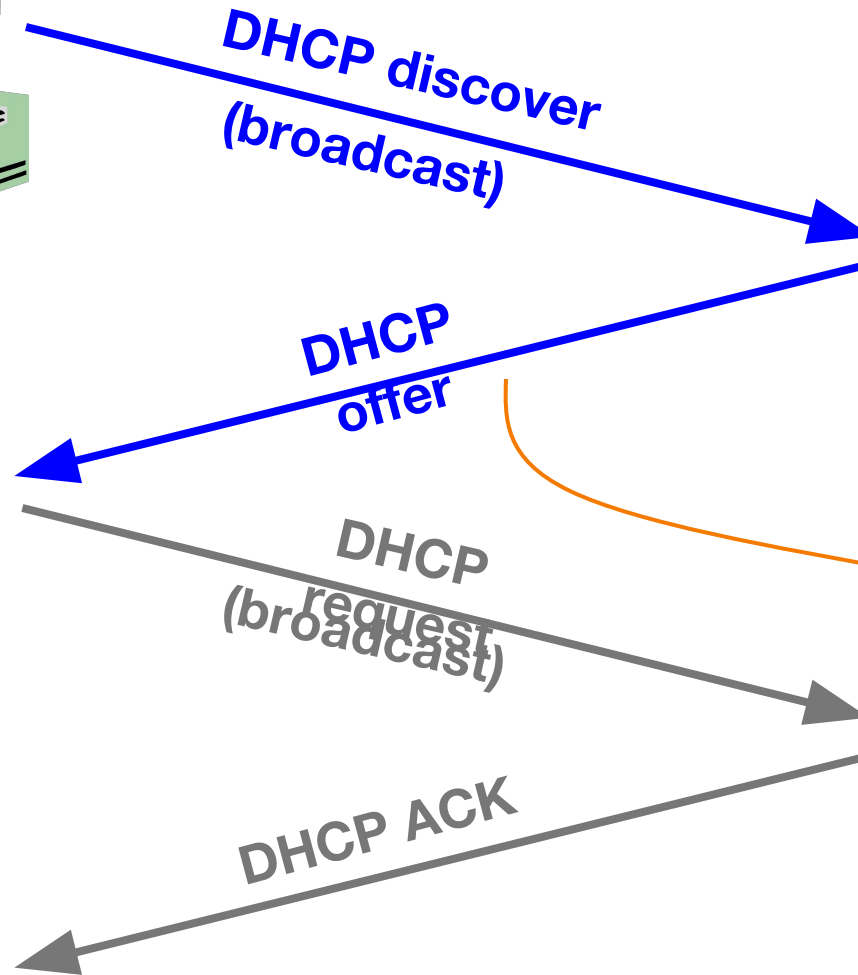
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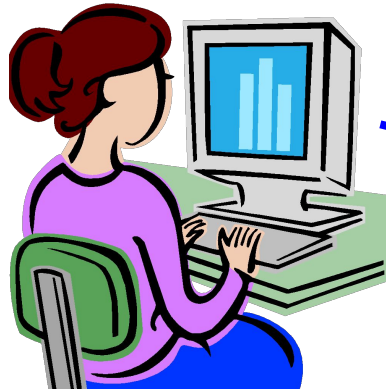


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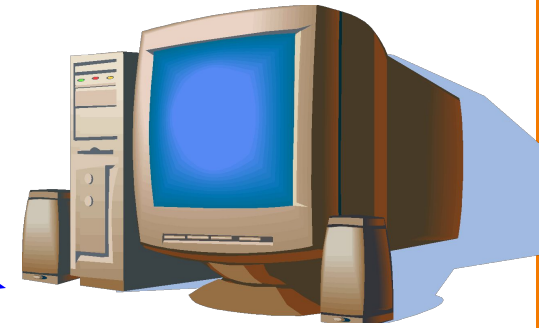


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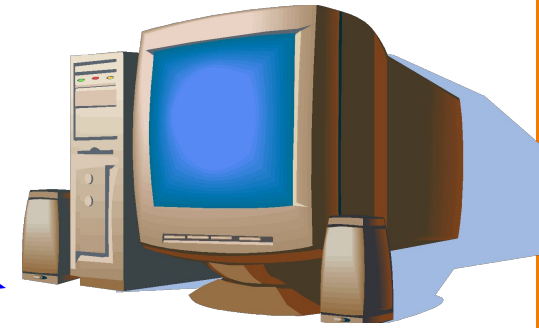
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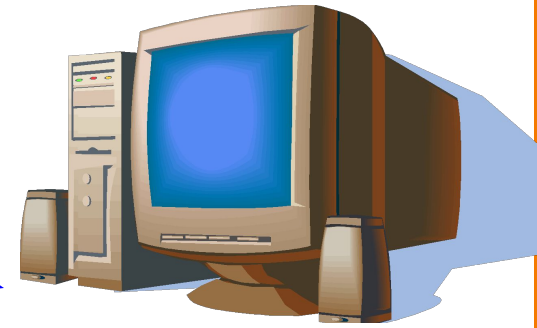
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Attacker on same subnet can **hear** new host’s DHCP request

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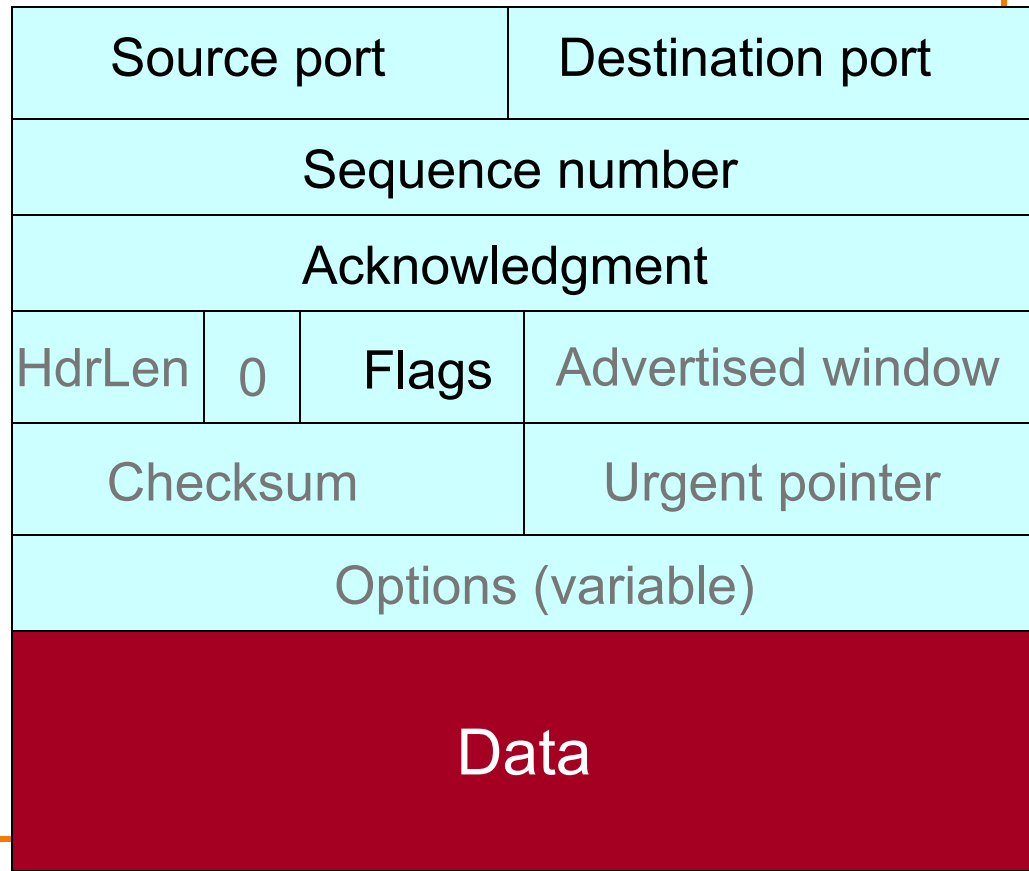
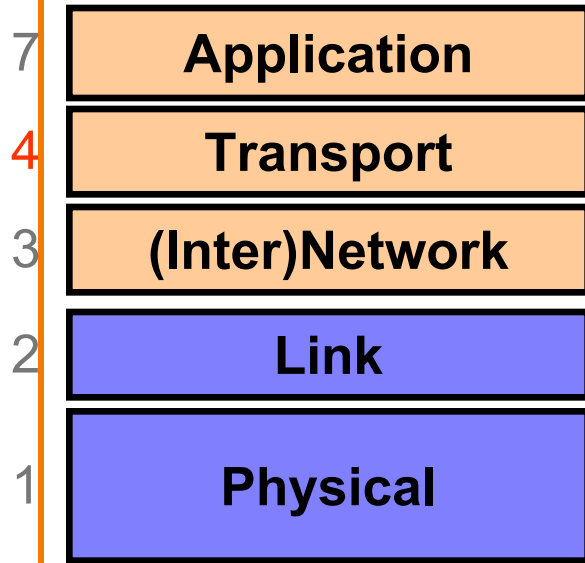
Attacker can **race** the actual server; if they win, replace DNS server and/or gateway router

DHCP Threats

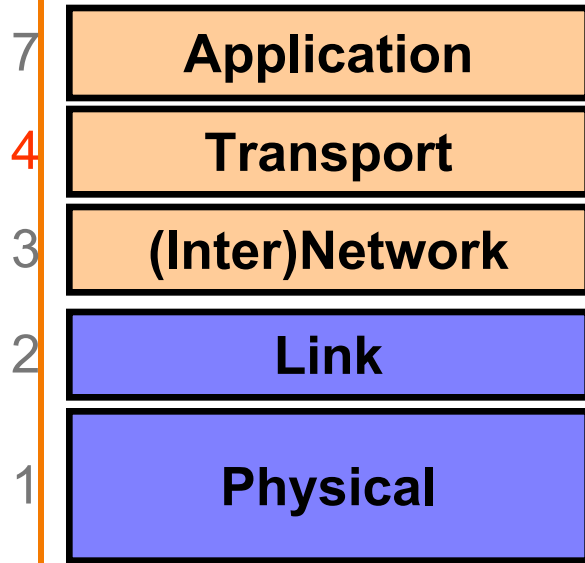
- Substitute a fake DNS server
 - Redirect **any** of a host's lookups to a machine of attacker's choice
- Substitute a fake gateway router
 - Intercept **all** of a host's off-subnet traffic
 - o (even if not preceded by a DNS lookup)
 - Relay contents back and forth between host and remote server and **modify** however attacker chooses
- An invisible *Man In The Middle* (**MITM**)
 - Victim host has no way of knowing it's happening
 - o (Can't necessarily alarm on peculiarity of receiving multiple DHCP replies, since that can happen benignly)
- How can we fix this?

Hard

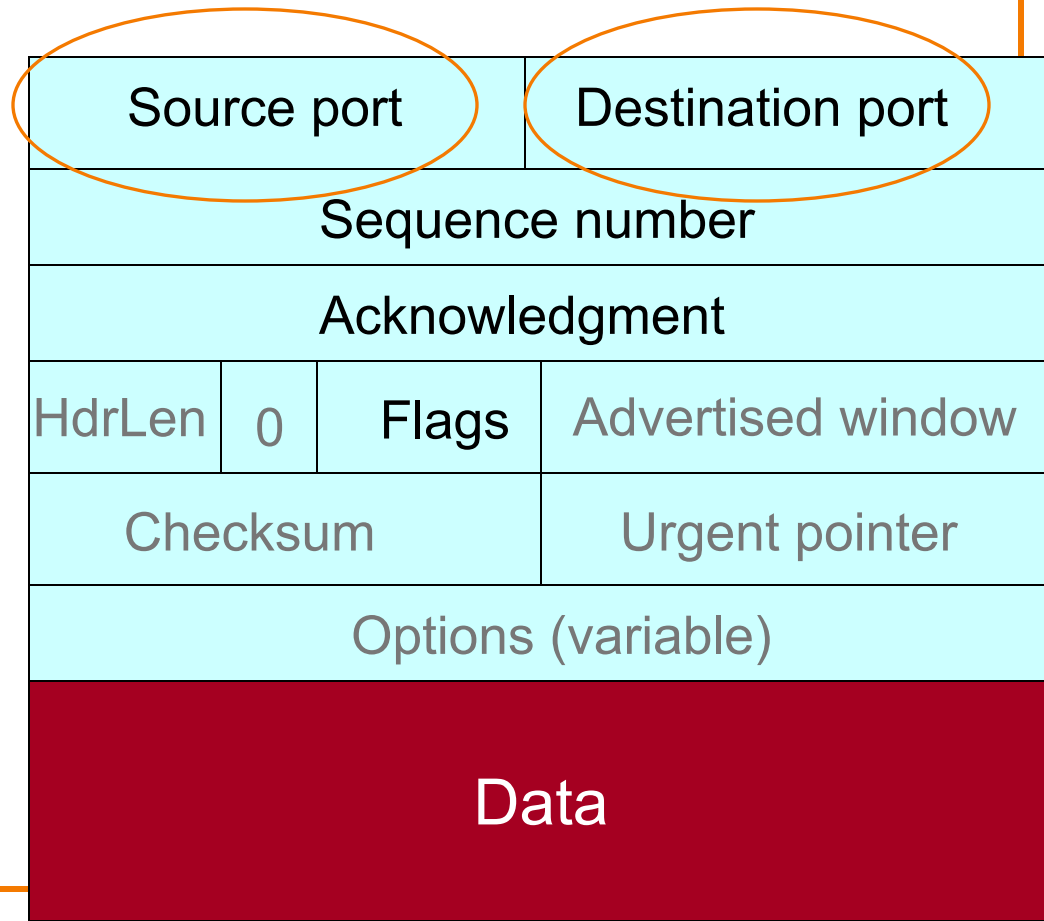
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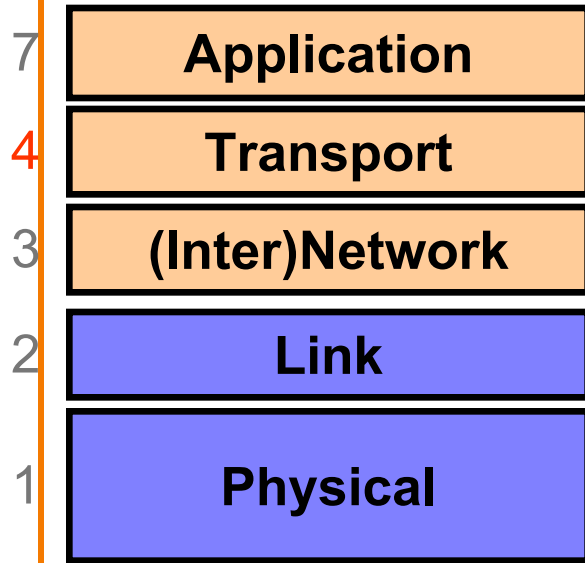
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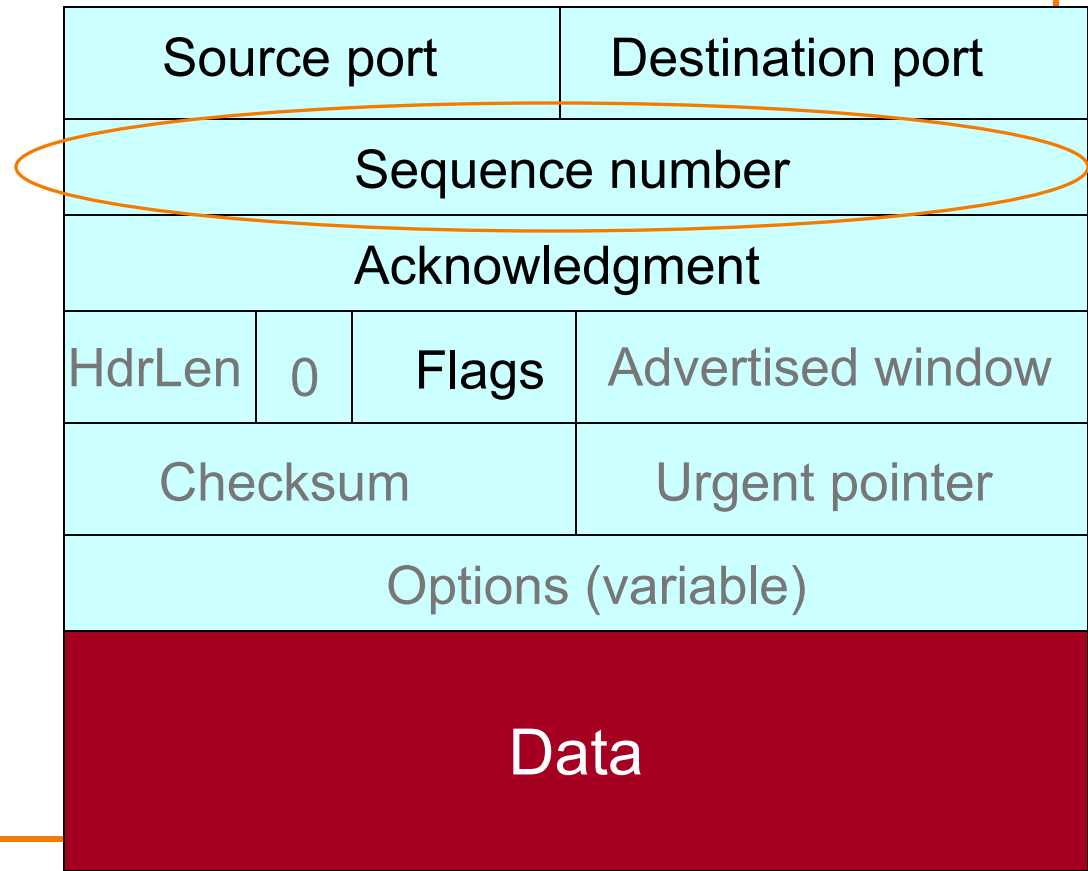
These plus IP addresses define a given connection



TCP



Defines where this packet fits within the sender's bytestream



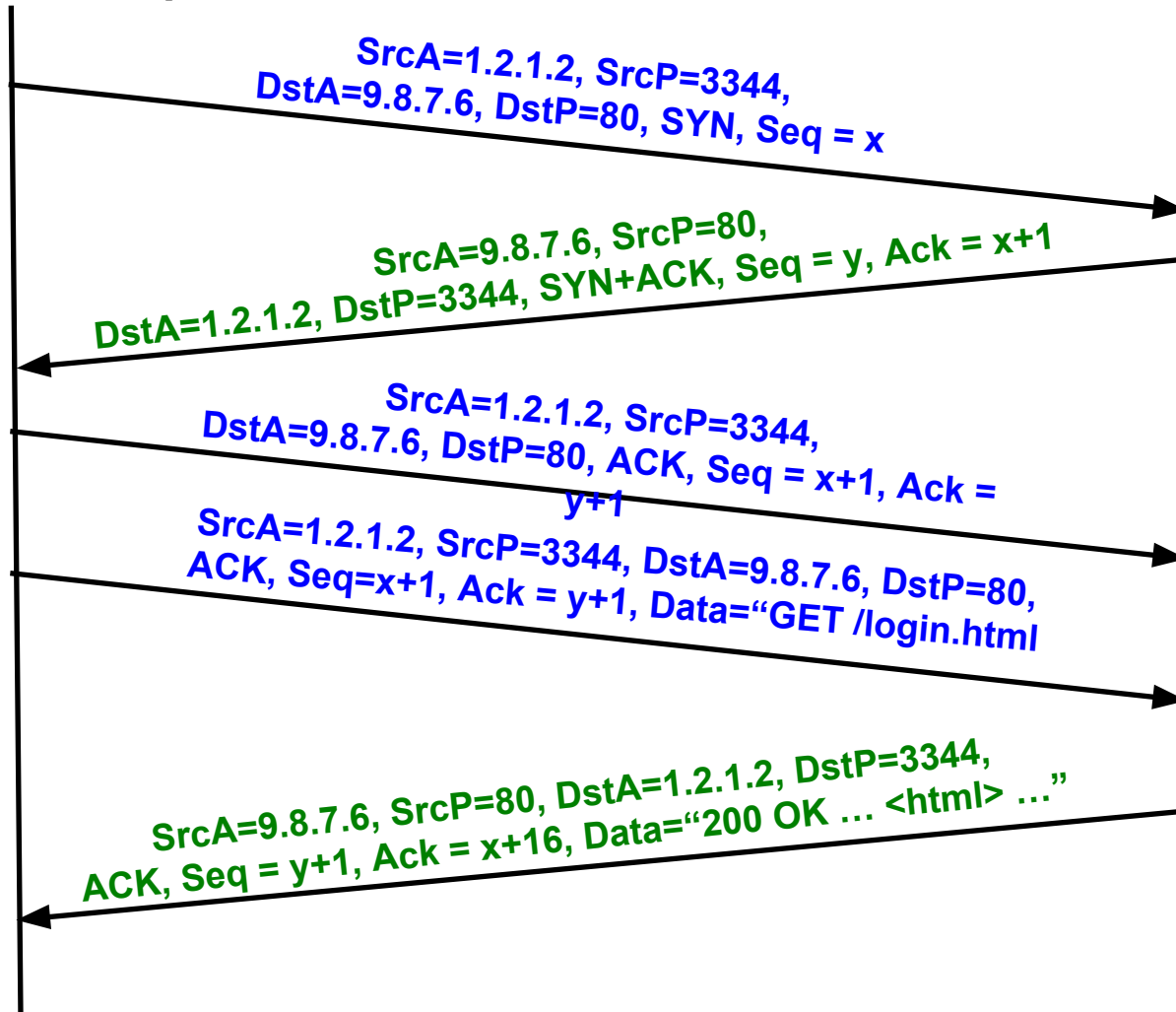
TCP Conn. Setup & Data Exchange

Client (initiator)

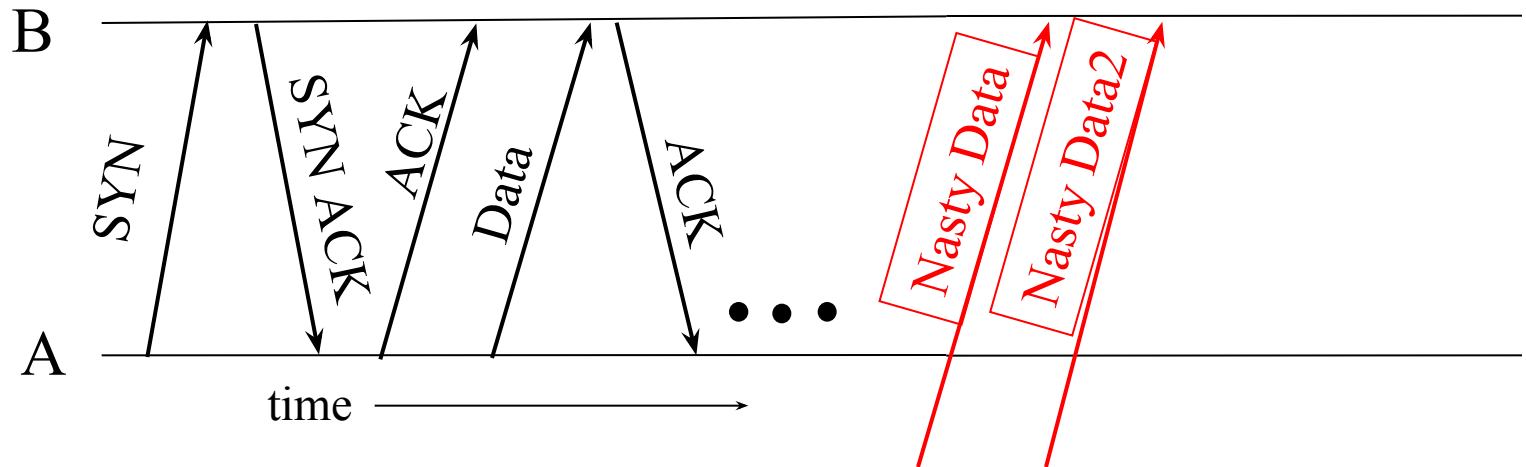
IP address 1.2.1.2, port 3344

Server

IP address 9.8.7.6, port 80

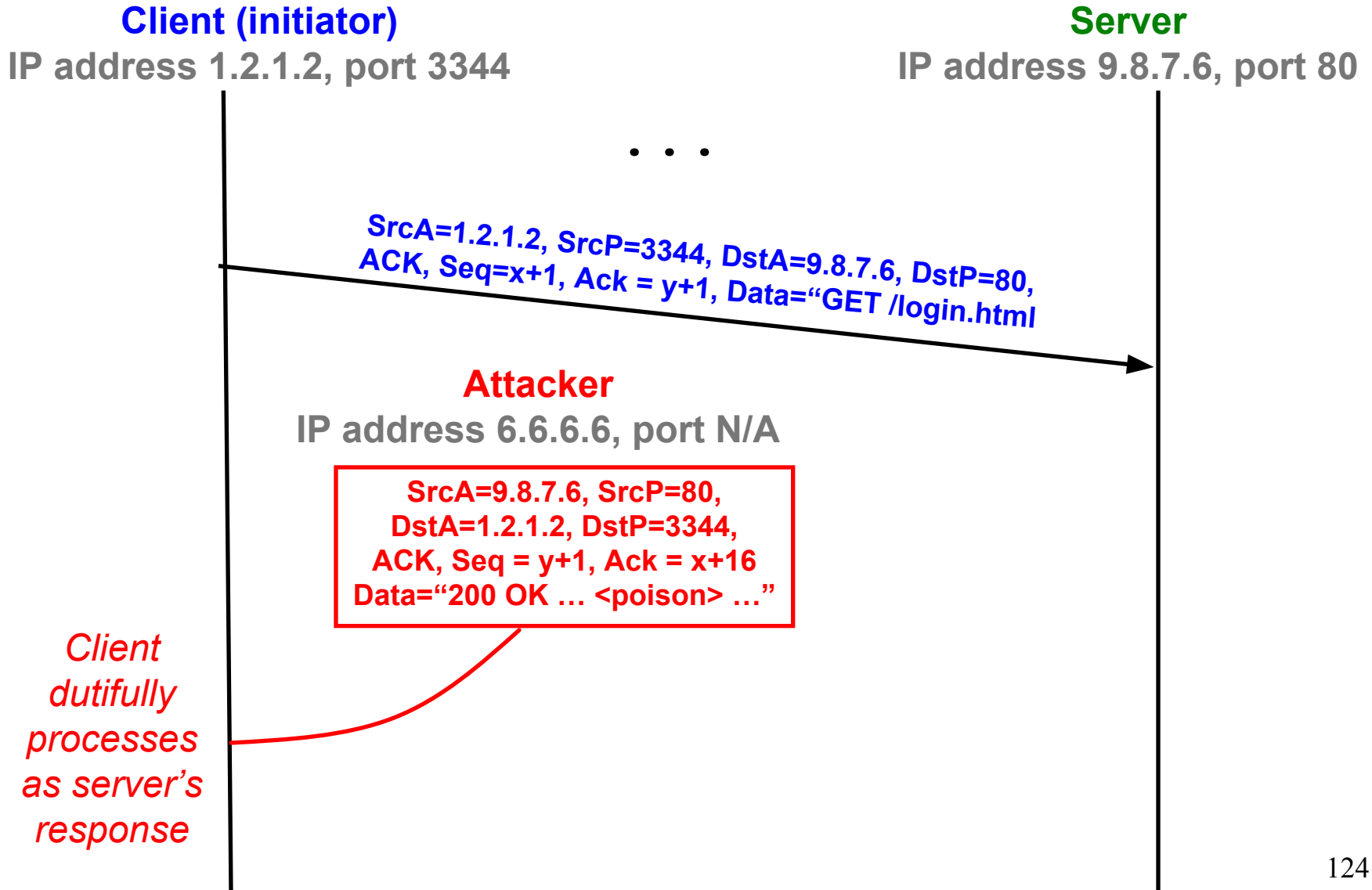


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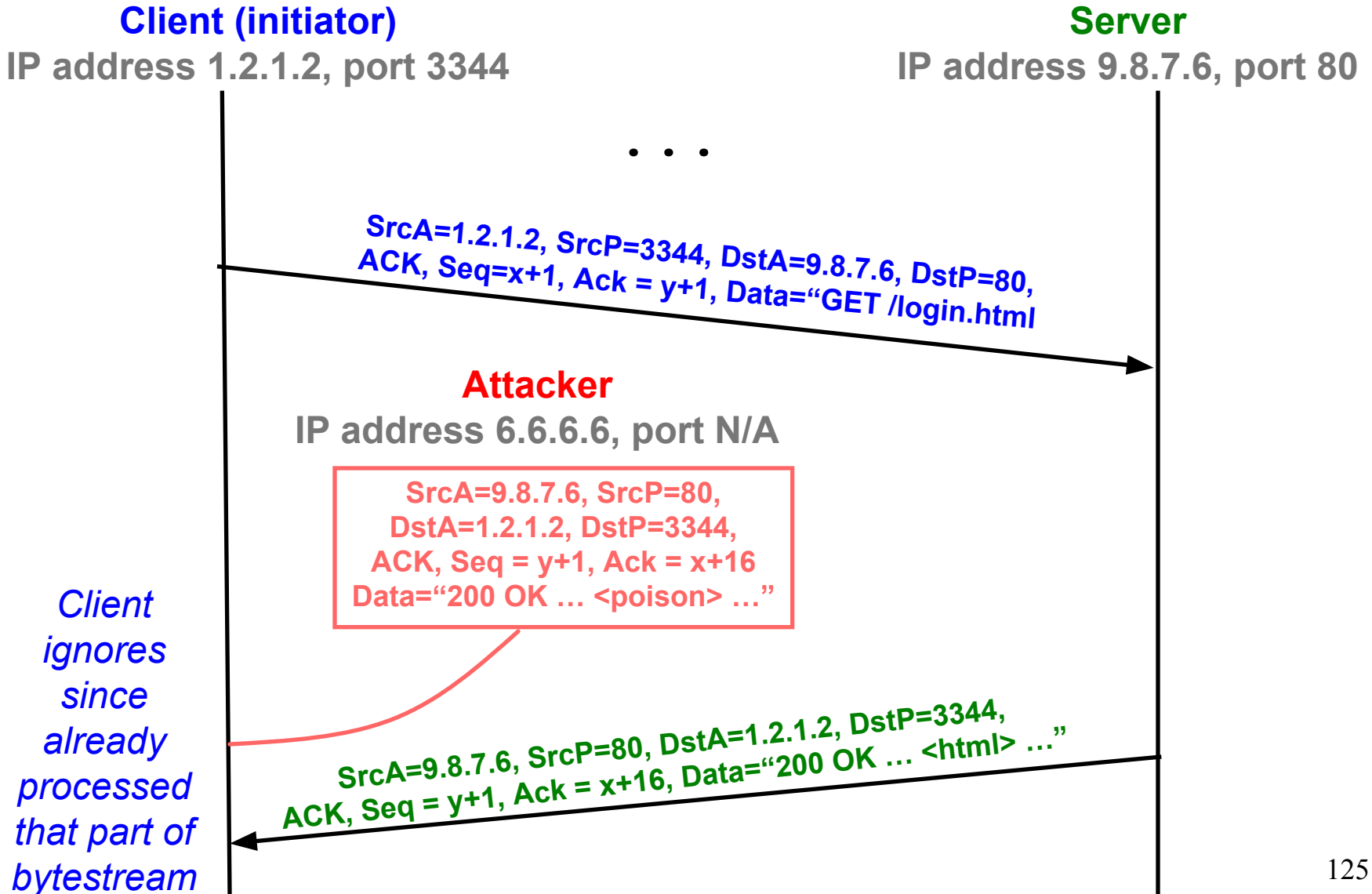


- If attacker knows **ports & sequence numbers** (e.g., on-path attacker), attacker can inject data into any TCP connection
 - Receiver B is *none the wiser!*
- Termed TCP **connection hijacking** (or “*session hijacking*”)
 - In general means to take over an already-established connection!
- **We are toasted if an attacker can see our TCP traffic!**
 - Because then they immediately know the **port & sequence numbers**

TCP Data Injection



TCP Data Injection



TCP Threat: Disruption

- Q: Is it possible for an on-path attacker to shut down a TCP connection if they can see our traffic?
- A: **YES**: they can **infer** the port and sequence numbers – they can insert fake data, too!
(Great Firewall of China)

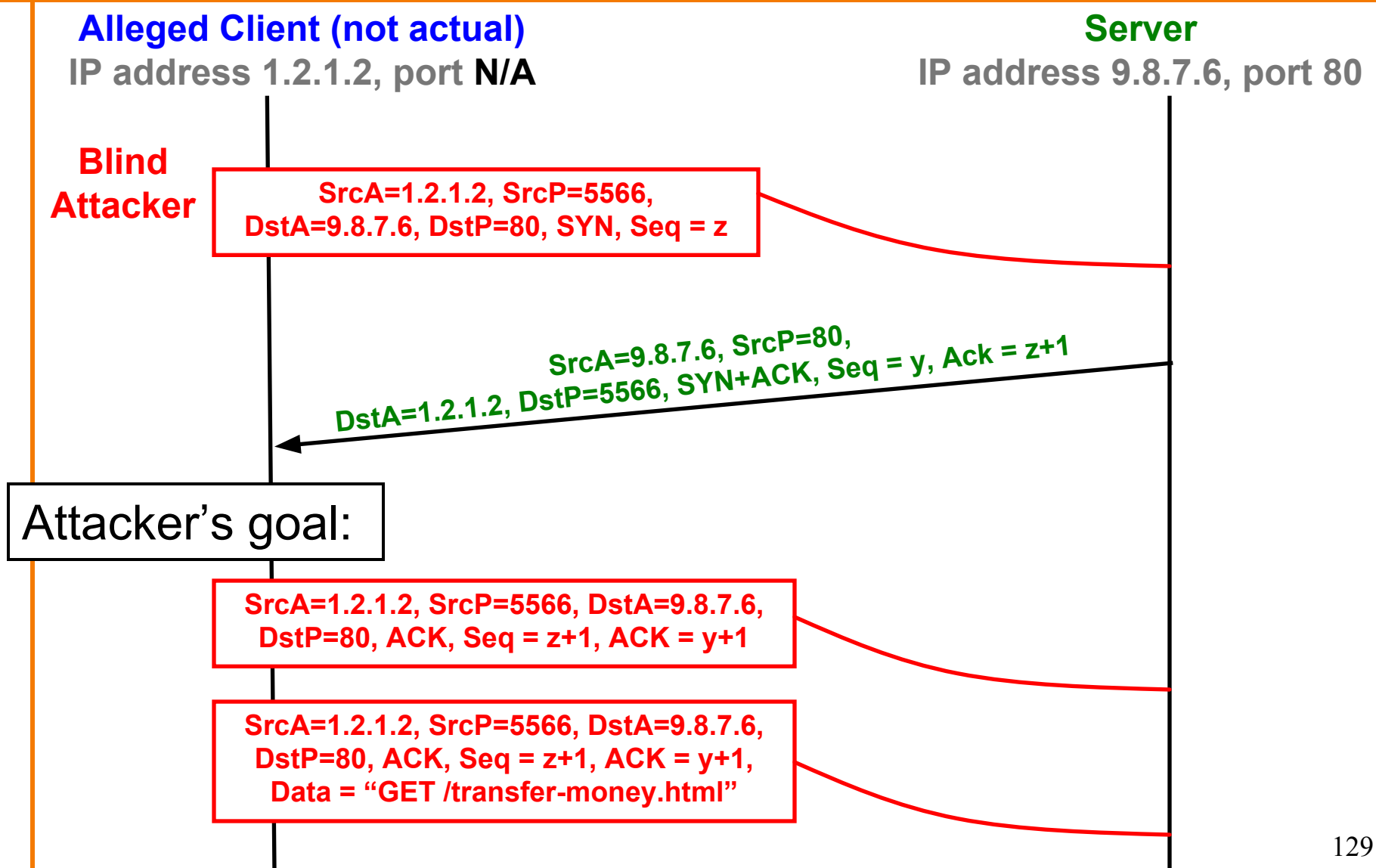
TCP Threat: Blind Hijacking

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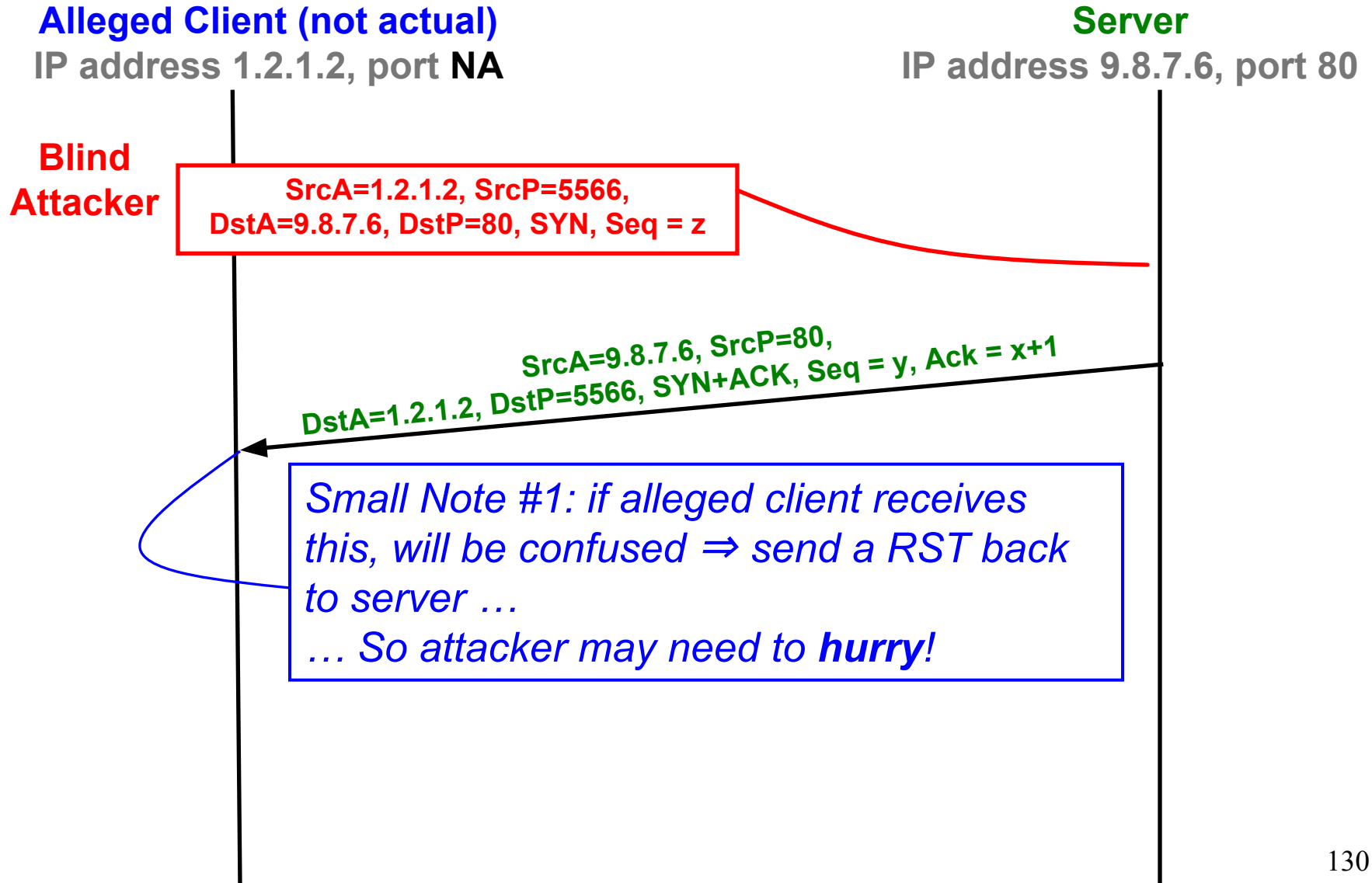
TCP Threat: Blind Spoofing

- Q: Is it possible for an off-path attacker to create a **fake** TCP connection, even if they **can't** see responses?
- **A: YES:** if somehow they can **infer** or **guess** the TCP initial sequence numbers
- Why would an attacker want to do this?
 - Perhaps to leverage a server's **trust** of a given client as identified by its IP address
 - Perhaps to **frame** a given client so the attacker's actions during the connections can't be traced back to the attacker

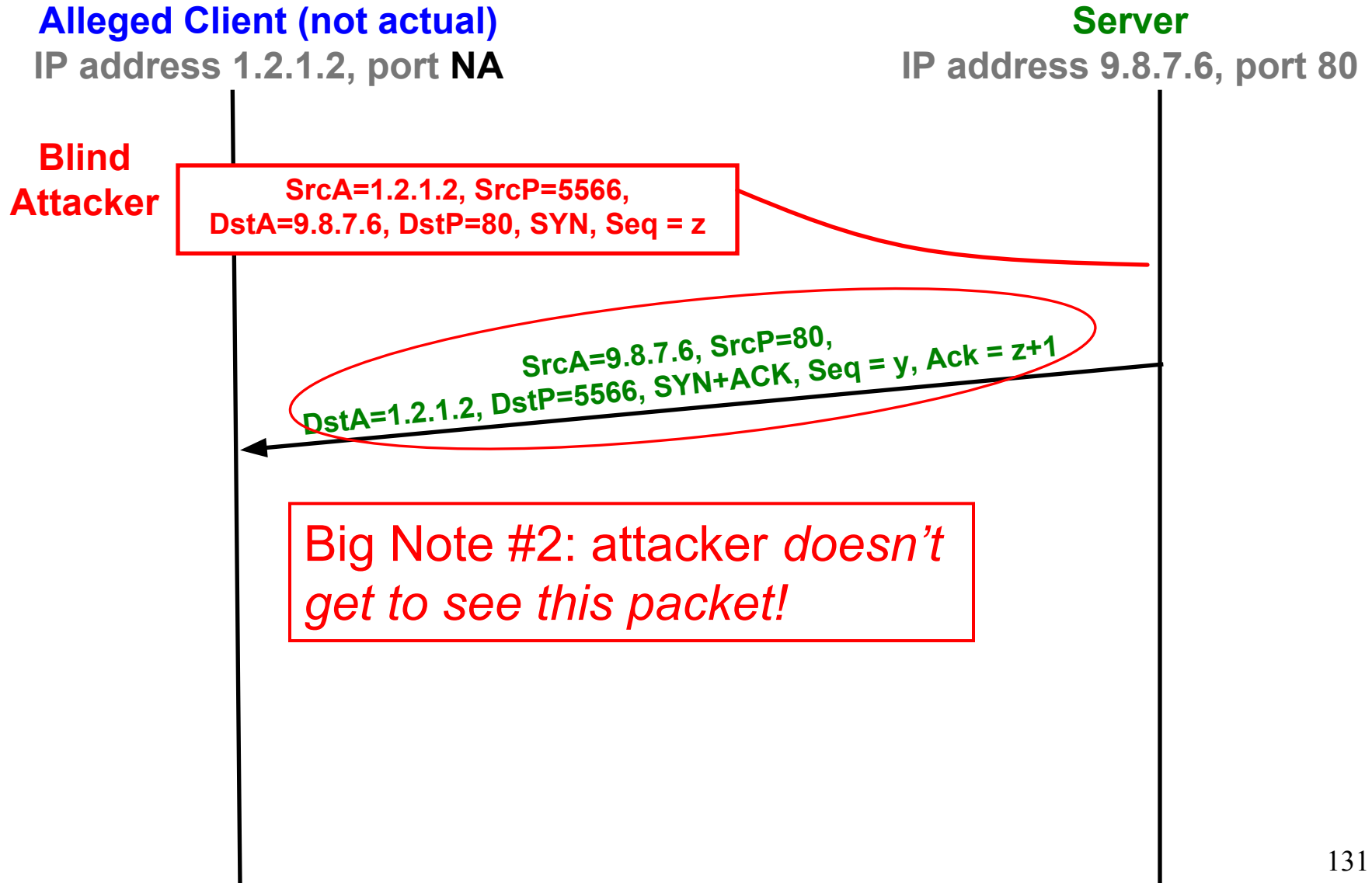
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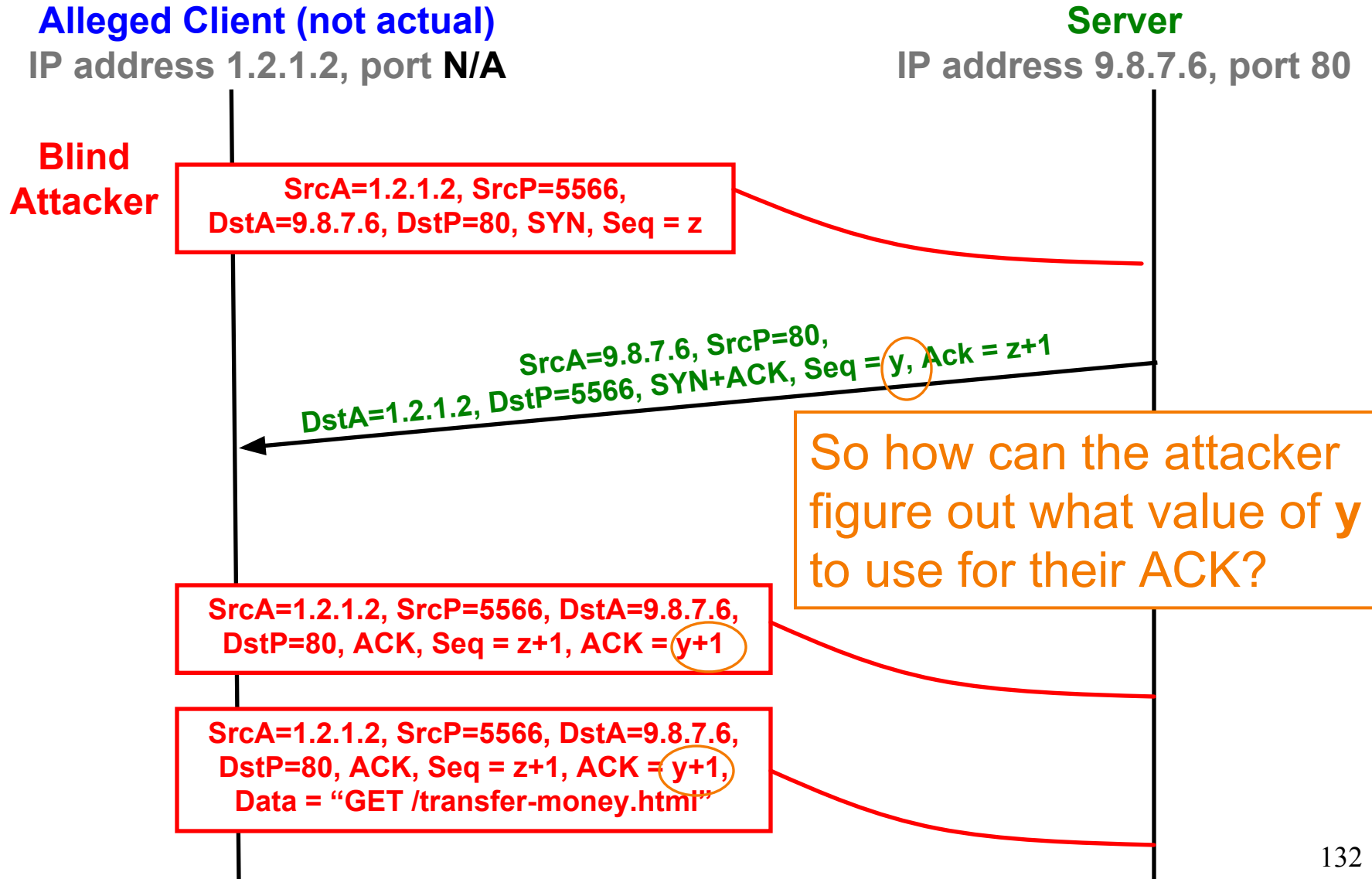
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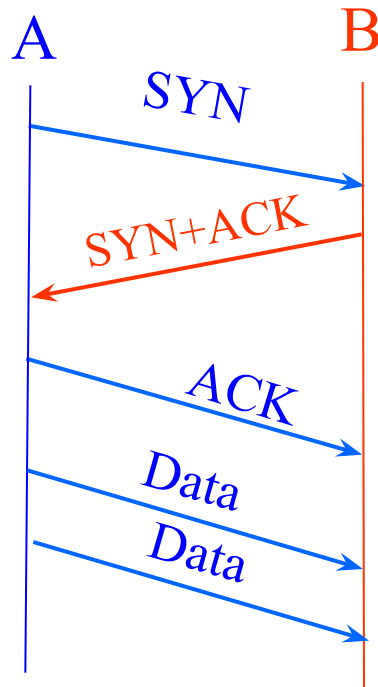
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Reminder: Establishing a TCP Connection



How Do We Fix This?

**Use a
(Pseudo)-Random ISN**

Each host tells its *Initial Sequence Number (ISN)* to the other host.

(Spec says to pick based on local clock)

Hmm, any way for the attacker to know *this*?

Sure – make a non-spoofed connection *first*, and see what server used for ISN y then!

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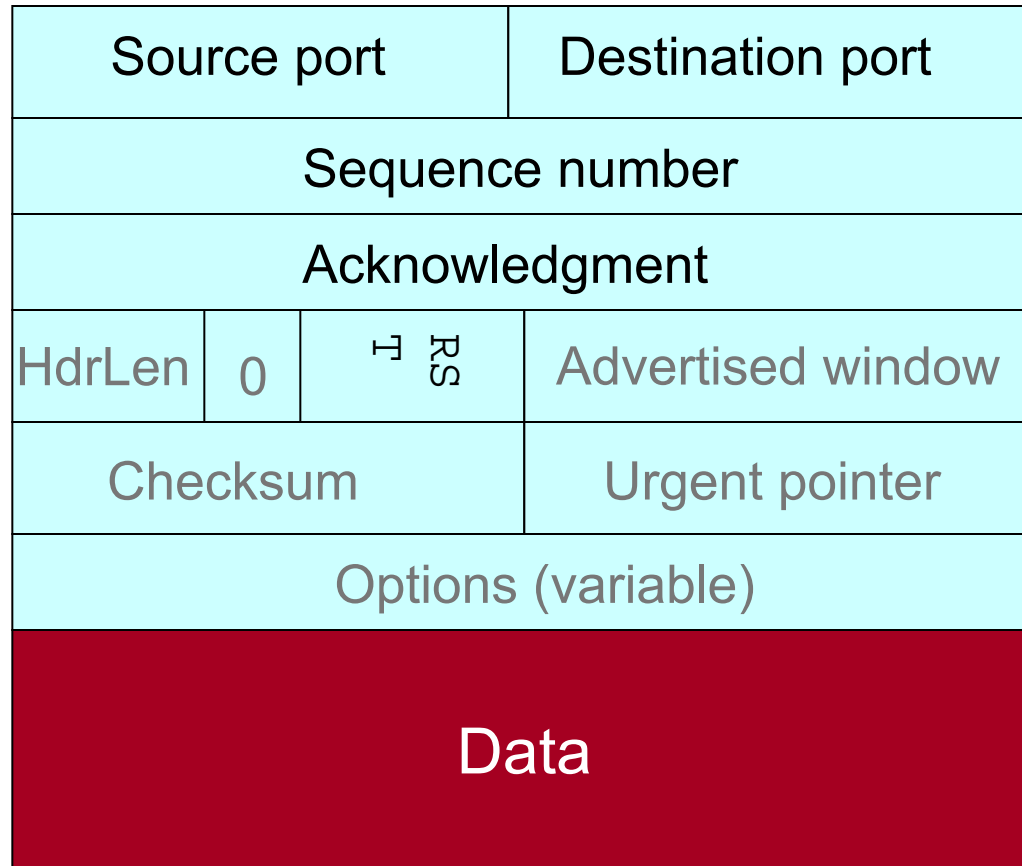
- No security against on-path attackers
 - Can sniff, inject packets, mount TCP spoofing, TCP hijacking, man-in-the-middle attacks
 - Typical example: wireless networks, malicious network operator
- More security against off-path attackers
 - TCP is more secure than UDP and IP

Extra Material

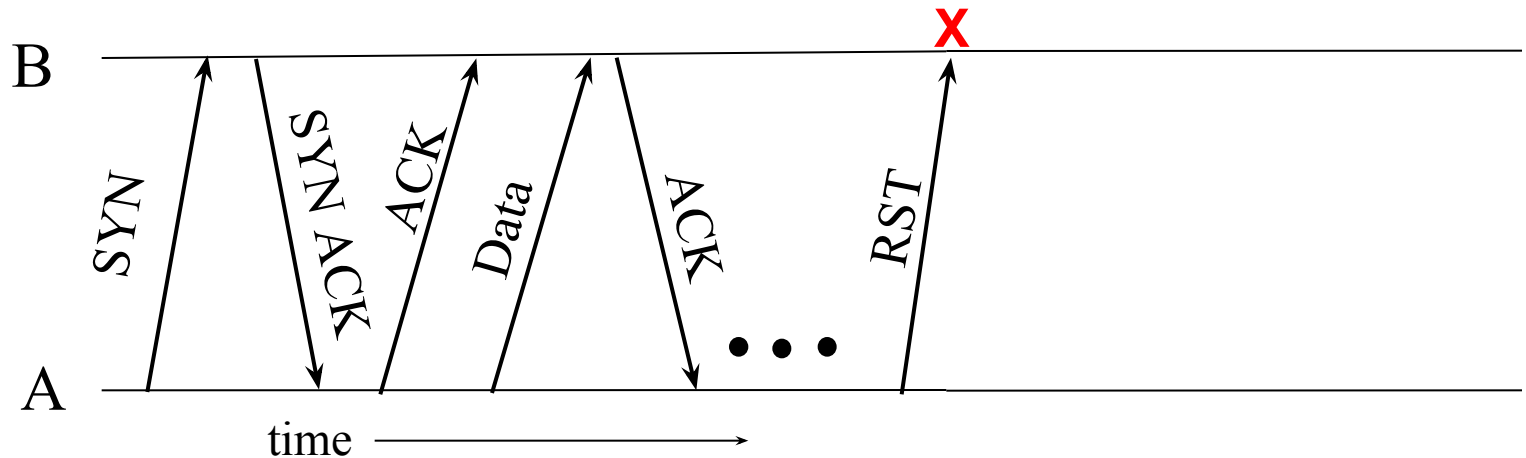
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Source port		Destination port	
Sequence number			
Acknowledgment			
HdrLen	0	Flags	Advertised window
Checksum		Urgent pointer	
Options (variable)			
Data			



Abrupt Termination

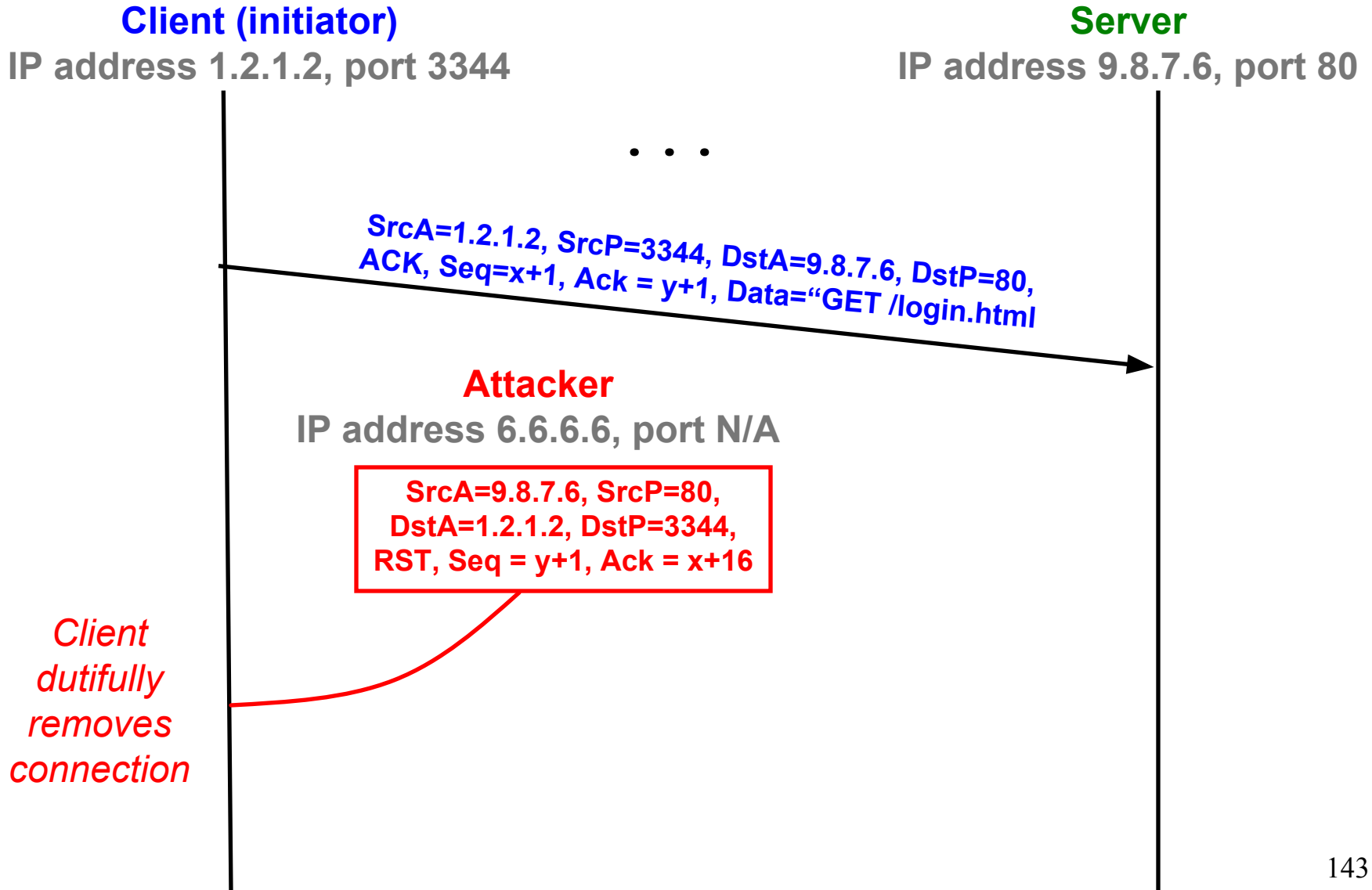


- A sends a TCP packet with RESET (**RST**) flag to B
 - E.g., because app. process on A **crashed**
 - (Could instead be that B sends a RST to A)
- Assuming that the sequence numbers in the **RST** fit with what B expects, **That's It:**
 - B's user-level process receives: `ECONNRESET`
 - No further communication on connection is possible

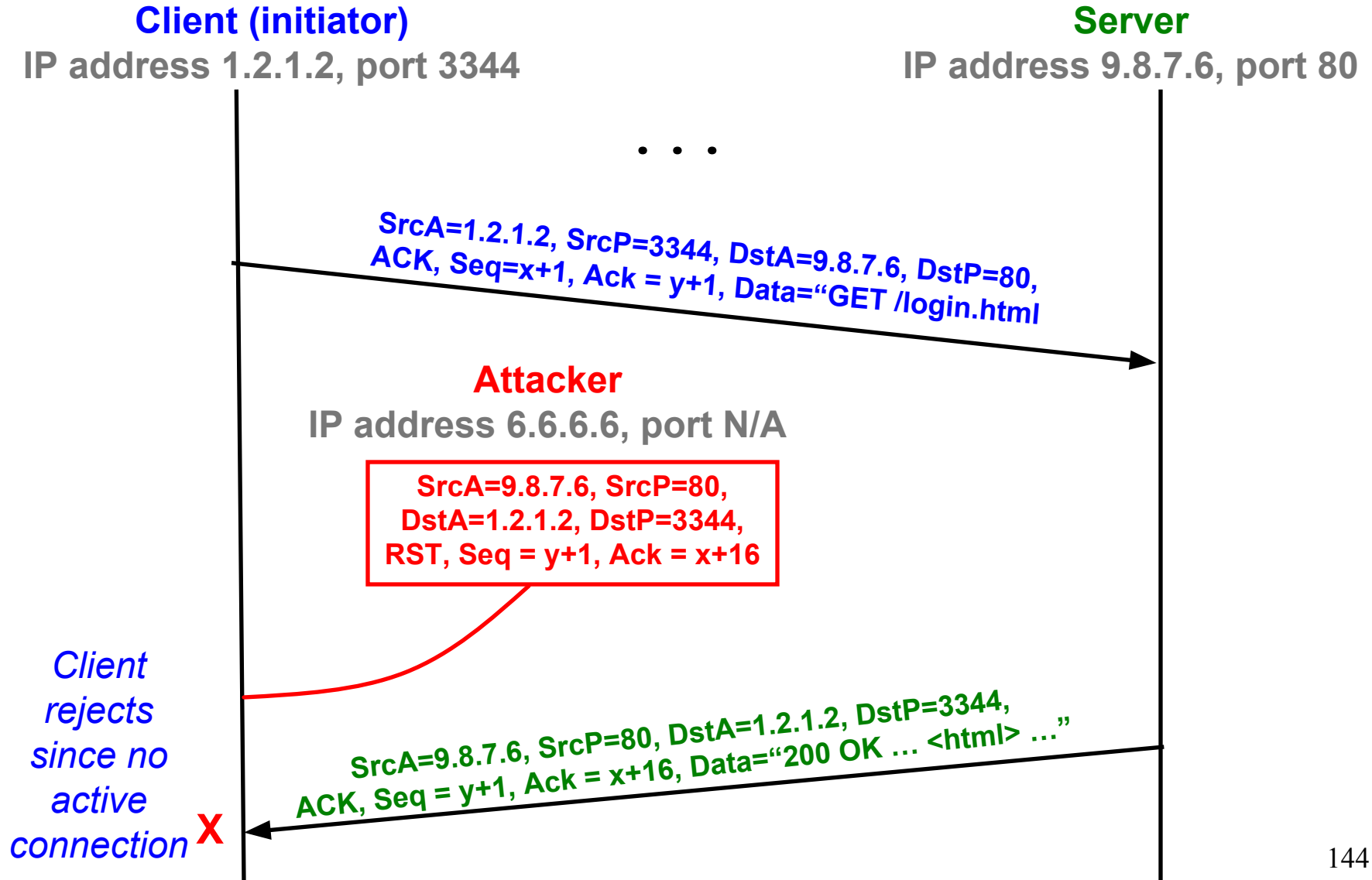
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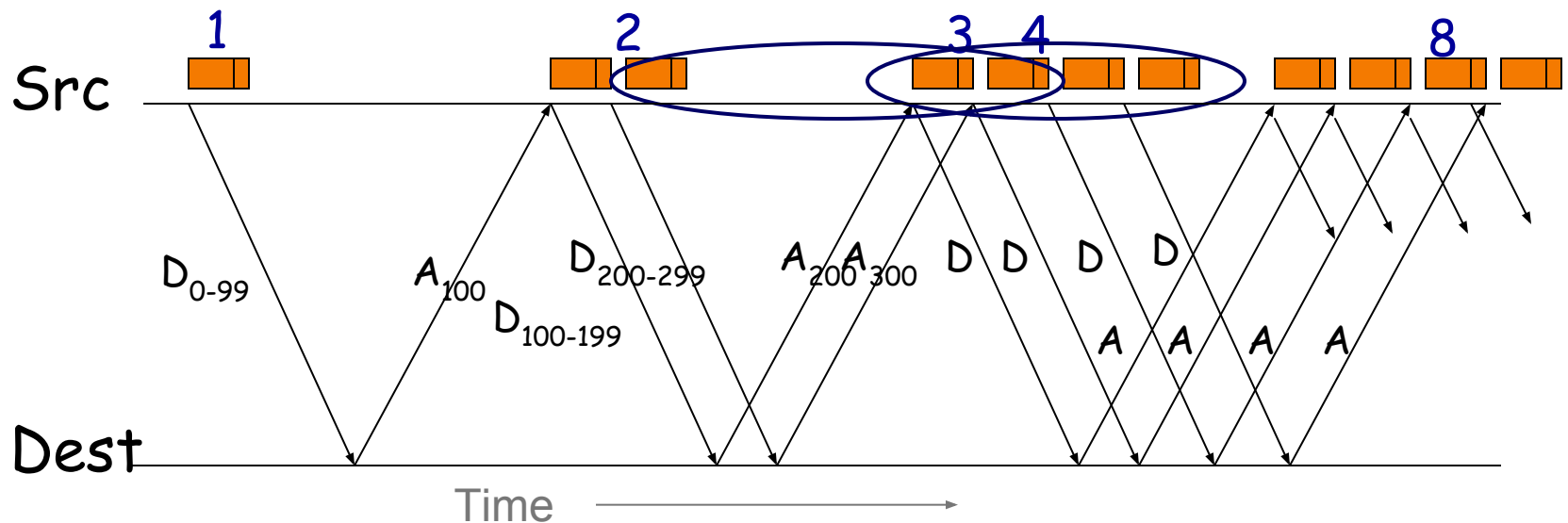
Threats to Comm. Security Goals

- Attacks can **subvert** each type of goal
 - Confidentiality: **eavesdropping** / theft of information
 - Integrity: **altering** data, **manipulating** execution (e.g., code injection)
 - Availability: **denial-of-service**
- Attackers can also **combine** different types of attacks towards an overarching goal
 - E.g. use eavesdropping (confidentiality) to construct a spoofing attack (integrity) that tells a server to drop an important connection (denial-of-service)

TCP's Rate Management

Unless there's loss, TCP doubles data in flight every "round-trip". All TCPs expected to obey ("fairness").

Mechanism: for **each** arriving ack for new data, increase allowed data by 1 maximum-sized packet

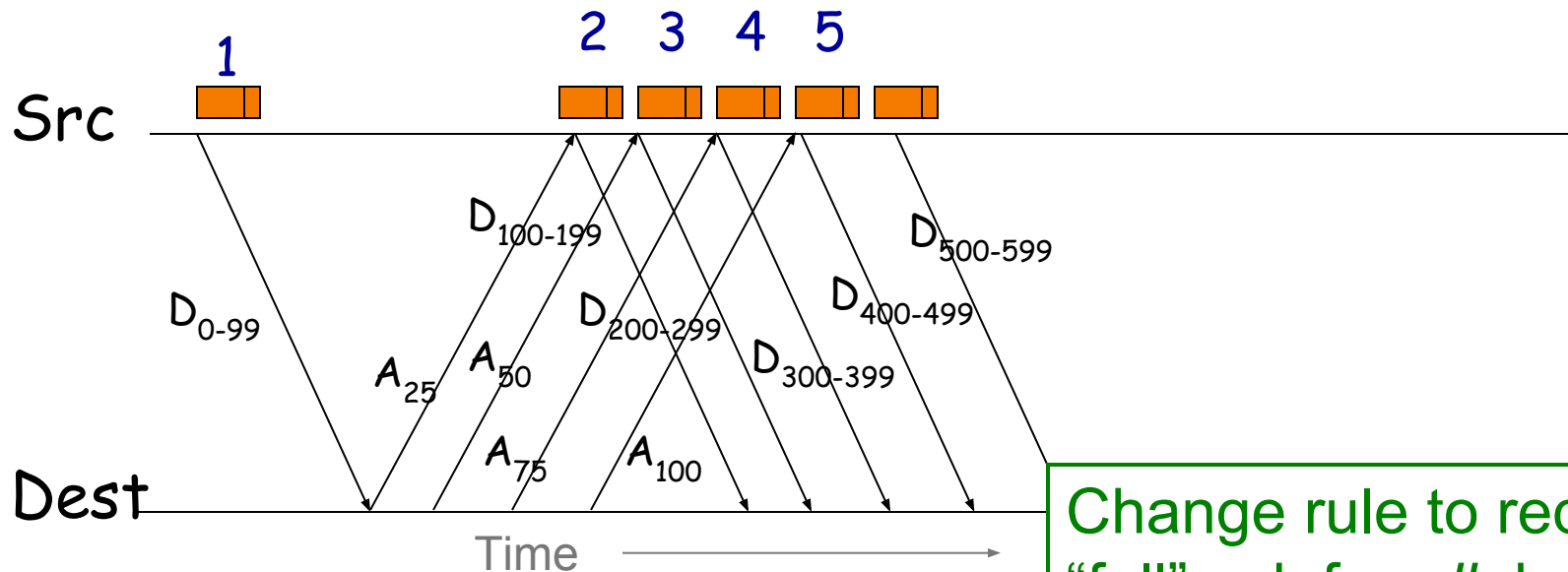


E.g., suppose maximum-sized packet = 100 bytes

Protocol Cheating

How can the destination (**receiver**) get data to come to them faster than normally allowed?

ACK-Splitting: each ack, even though **partial**, increases allowed data by one maximum-sized packet



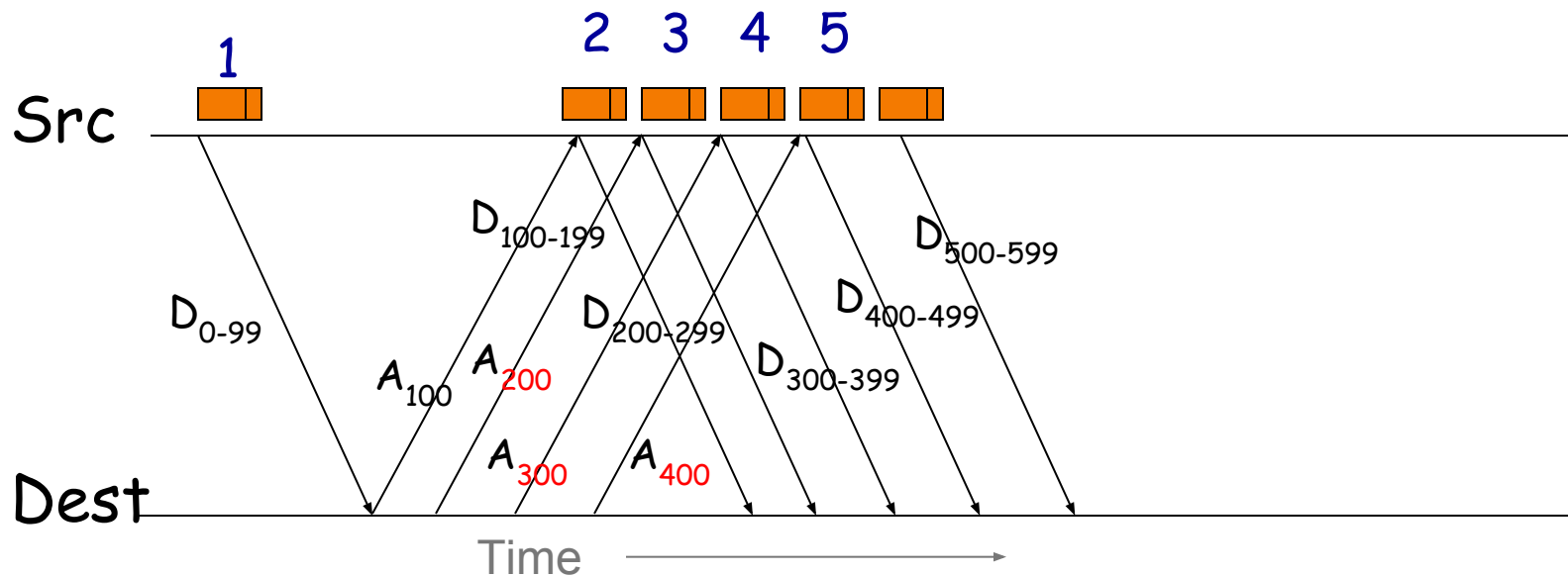
How do we defend against this?

Change rule to require “full” ack for *all* data sent in a packet

Protocol Cheating

How can the destination (**receiver**) *still* get data to come to them faster than normally allowed?

Opportunistic ack'ing: acknowledge data not yet seen!



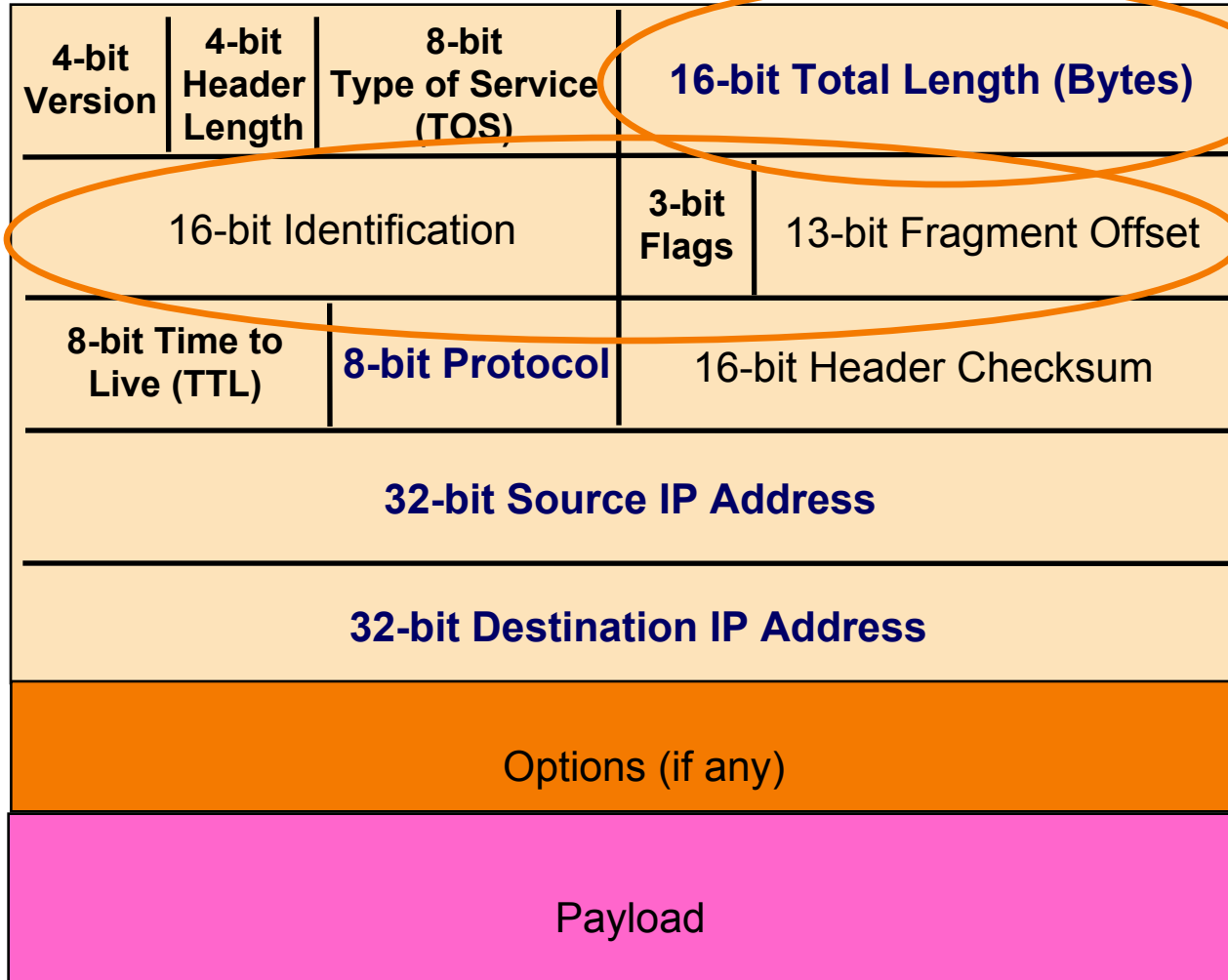
How do we defend against *this*?

Keeping Receivers Honest

- Approach #1: if you receive an ack for **data you haven't sent**, kill the connection
 - Works only if receiver acks too far ahead
- Approach #2: follow the “round trip time” (RTT) and if ack **arrives too quickly**, kill the connection
 - Flaky: RTT can vary a lot, so you might kill innocent connections
- Approach #3: make the receiver **prove** they received the data
 - Add a **nonce** (“random” marker) & require receiver to include it in ack. Kill connections w/ incorrect nonces
 - o (nonce could be function computed over payload, so sender doesn't explicitly transmit, only implicitly)

Note: a *protocol* change

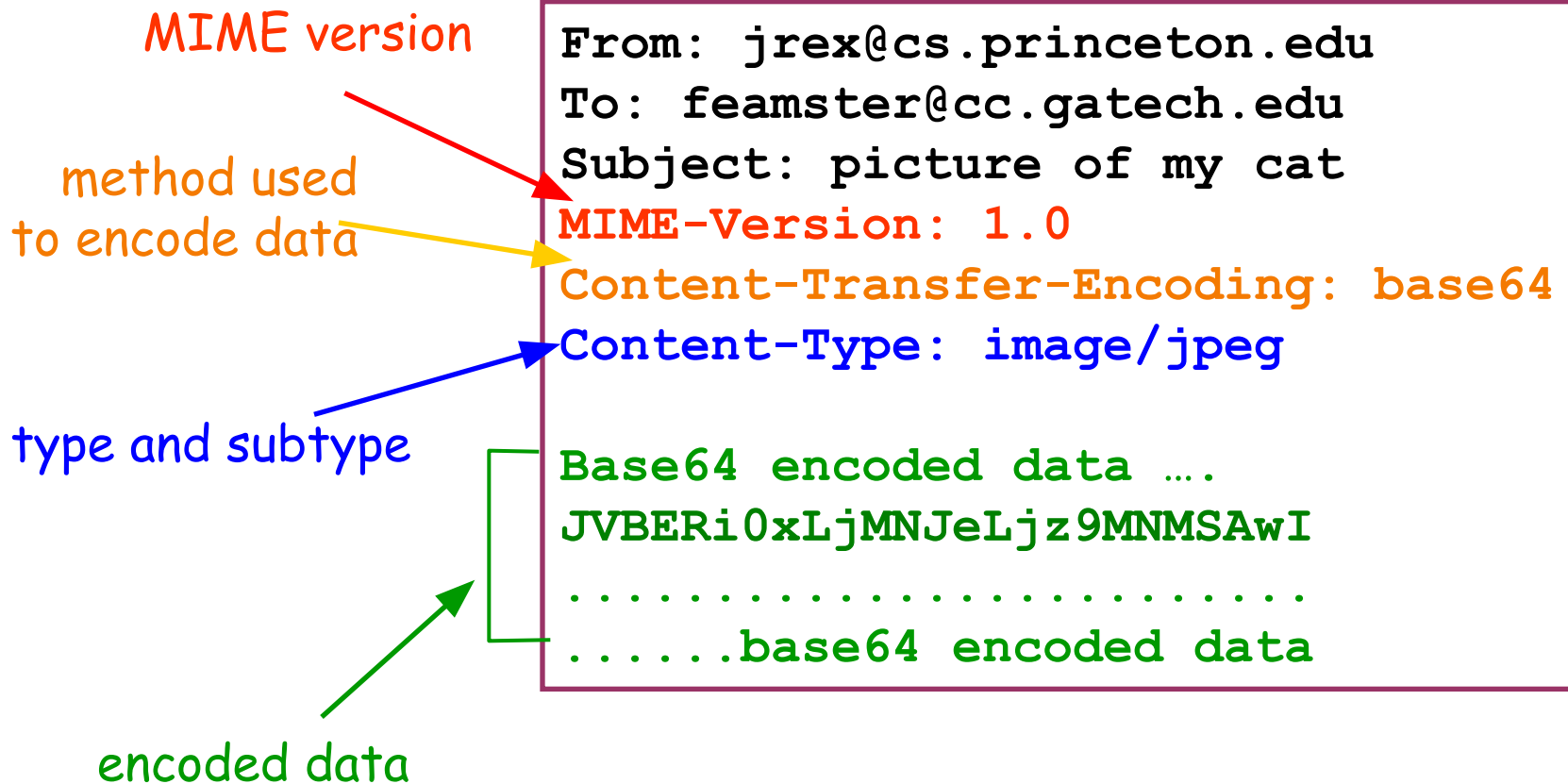
IP Packet Structure



IP Packet Header Fields (Continued)

- Total length (16 bits)
 - Number of bytes in the packet
 - Maximum size is 65,535 bytes ($2^{16} - 1$)
 - ... though underlying links may impose smaller limits
- Fragmentation: when forwarding a packet, an Internet router can **split** it into multiple pieces (“fragments”) if too big for next hop link
- End host **reassembles** to recover original packet
- Fragmentation information (32 bits)
 - Packet **identifier**, **flags**, and fragment **offset**
 - Supports dividing a large IP packet into fragments
 - ... in case a link cannot handle a large IP packet

Example: E-Mail Message Using MIME



Example With Received Header

Return-Path: <casado@cs.stanford.edu>

Received: from ribavirin.CS.Princeton.EDU (ribavirin.CS.Princeton.EDU [128.112.136.44])
by newark.CS.Princeton.EDU (8.12.11/8.12.11) with SMTP id k04M5R7Y023164
for <jrex@newark.CS.Princeton.EDU>; Wed, 4 Jan 2006 17:05:37 -0500 (EST)

Received: from bluebox.CS.Princeton.EDU ([128.112.136.38])
by ribavirin.CS.Princeton.EDU (SMSSMTP 4.1.0.19) with SMTP id M2006010417053607946
for <jrex@newark.CS.Princeton.EDU>; Wed, 04 Jan 2006 17:05:36 -0500

Received: from smtp-roam.Stanford.EDU (smtp-roam.Stanford.EDU [171.64.10.152])
by bluebox.CS.Princeton.EDU (8.12.11/8.12.11) with ESMTP id k04M5XNQ005204
for <jrex@cs.princeton.edu>; Wed, 4 Jan 2006 17:05:35 -0500 (EST)

Received: from [192.168.1.101] (adsl-69-107-78-147.dsl.pltn13.pacbell.net [69.107.78.147])
(authenticated bits=0)
by smtp-roam.Stanford.EDU (8.12.11/8.12.11) with ESMTP id k04M5W92018875
(version=TLSv1/SSLv3 cipher=DHE-RSA-AES256-SHA bits=256 verify=NOT);
Wed, 4 Jan 2006 14:05:32 -0800

Message-ID: <43BC46AF.3030306@cs.stanford.edu>

Date: Wed, 04 Jan 2006 14:05:35 -0800

From: Martin Casado <casado@cs.stanford.edu>

User-Agent: Mozilla Thunderbird 1.0 (Windows/20041206)

MIME-Version: 1.0

To: jrex@CS.Princeton.EDU

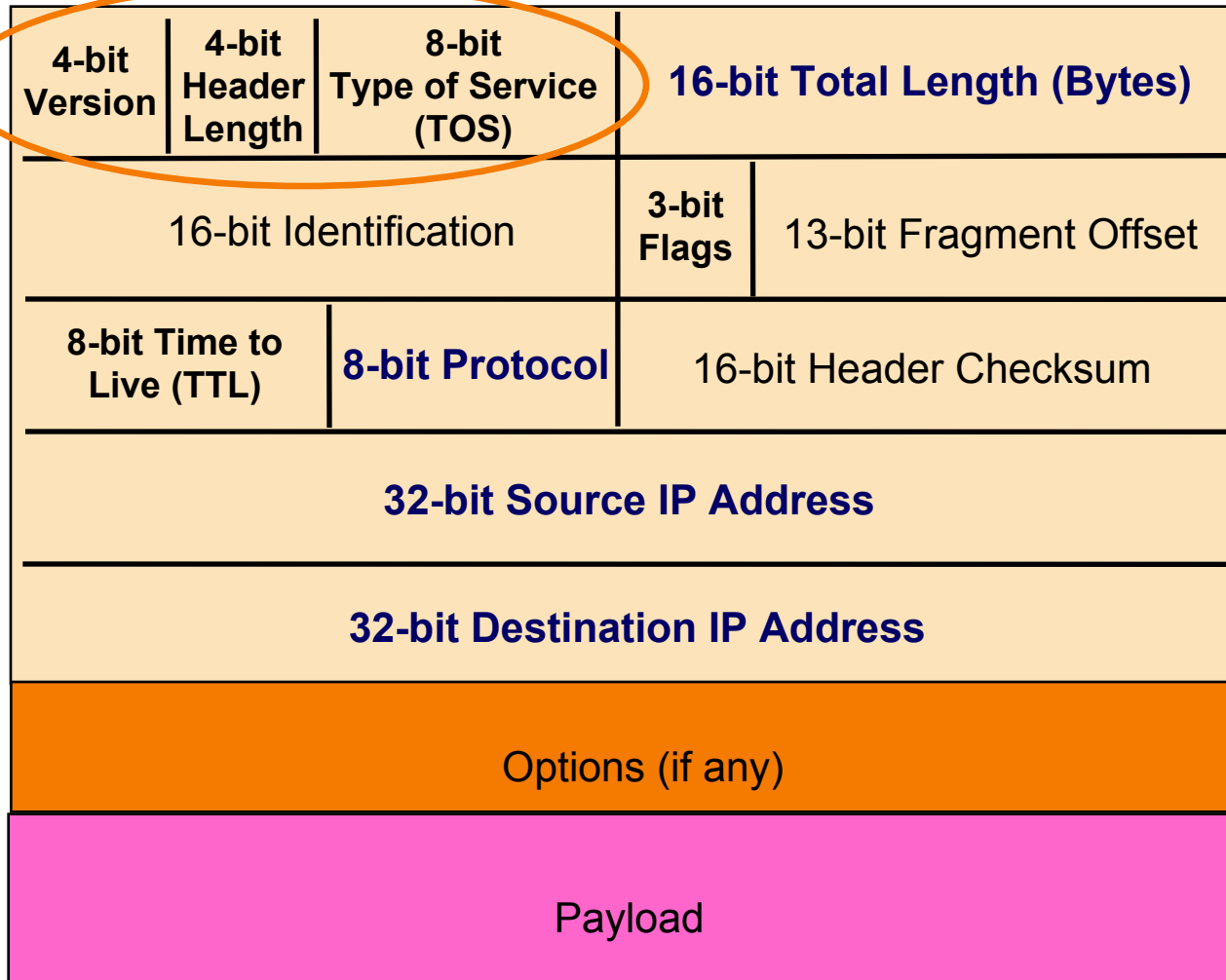
CC: Martin Casado <casado@cs.stanford.edu>

Subject: Using VNS in Class

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1; format=flowed

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

IP Packet Structure



IP Packet Header Fields

- Version number (4 bits)
 - Indicates the version of the IP protocol
 - Necessary to know what other fields to expect
 - Typically “4” (for IPv4), and sometimes “6” (for IPv6)
- Header length (4 bits)
 - Number of 32-bit words in the header
 - Typically “5” (for a 20-byte IPv4 header)
 - Can be more when IP **options** are used
- Type-of-Service (8 bits)
 - Allow packets to be treated differently based on needs
 - E.g., low delay for audio, high bandwidth for bulk transfer

Sample Email (SMTP) interaction

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S: 220 hamburger.edu
C: HELO crepes.fr
S: 250 Hello crepes.fr, pleased to meet you
C: MAIL FROM: <alice@crepes.fr>
S: 250 alice@crepes.fr... Sender ok
C: RCPT TO: <bob@hamburger.edu>
S: 250 bob@hamburger.edu ... Recipient ok
C: DATA
S: 354 Enter mail, end with "." on a line by itself
C: From: alice@crepes.fr
C: To: hamburger-list@burger-king.com
C: Subject: Do you like ketchup?
C:
C: How about pickles?
C: .
S: 250 Message accepted for delivery
C: QUIT
S: 221 hamburger.edu closing connection
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Email header

Email body

Lone period marks end of message