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Bachelor of Computer Applications

(For Students with Speech and Hearing Impairment)

Course: Internet and its applications

Unit -1

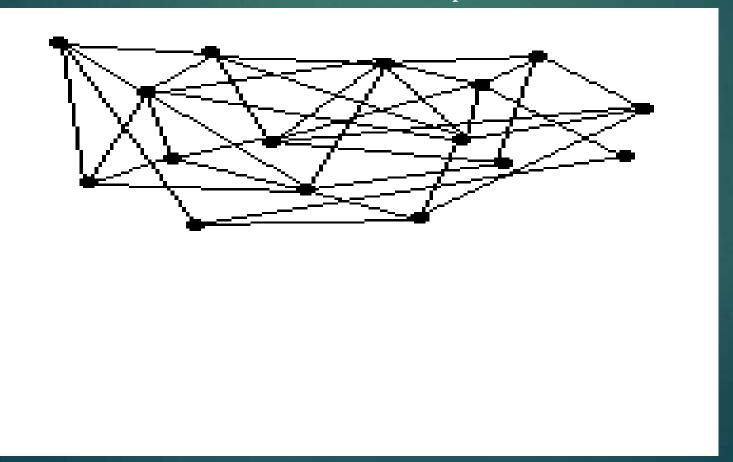


Introduction

- ▶ Over the past century and a half, important technological developments have created a global environment that is drawing the people of the world closer and closer together
- ► Currently, we are in the information Age, where magnifying the computation power is an essential Goal.

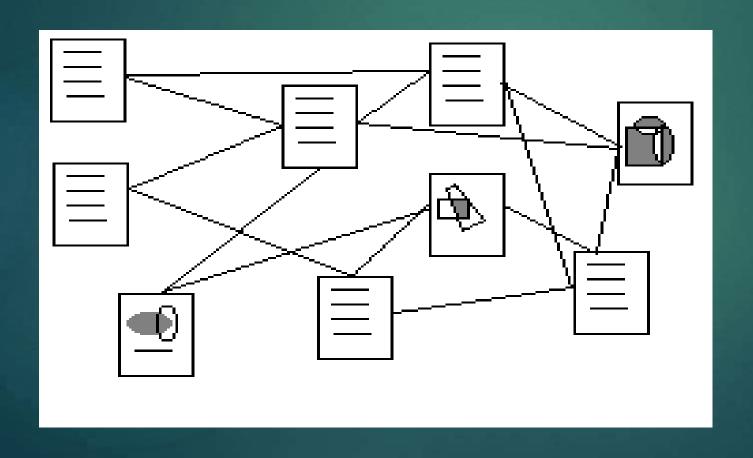
What is the Internet

▶ The Internet is a network of networks of computers.



World Wide Web

• The World Wide Web is a hyperlinked network of documents and other resources found on the computers of the Internet.



World Wide Web

- ▶ The World Wide Web (web for short or www) is a collection of interlinked multimedia documents that are stored on the Internet and accessed using a common protocol (HTTP).
- ▶ So, what is the relation between the internet and the World Wide Web?
 - ▶ World Wide Web (WWW) is an Internet based software application.
- Other Internet applications are:
 - **▶** Email
 - ► ftp (file transfer protocol)
 - Messenger

FTP/TELNET

TELNET

The Internet allows computers to converse with each other over networks.

A telnet program allows us to log into a distant computer almost as if we were actually sitting physically at that computer.

FTP

File Transfer Protocol allows us to transfer files between two different computers on the Internet.

URL

• Uniform Resource Locator

• A URL allows every resource (e.g. HTML page, image, sound clip etc.) on the WWW to have a unique address.

• The protocol gives the method of communication to be used. http is most common, but you may see ftp as well



Directory and resource path

- Different levels of a path are always separated by forward slashes, regardless of the host system.
- If multiple users are hosted on a system, the first part of the path will be ~user.
- The last part of the path is the actual resource desired, usually an HTML page.
- The extension for HTML files can be .htm or .html (recommended)
- If no resource is given, the server will try to display a page named index.html. If not found, it may display a directory listing, if permitted.

Packets

• A message is broken up into small pieces called packets, usually about 1 kb in size.

• Each packet receives a header containing the destination IP address, the sender's IP address, the total number of packets that make up a message, and the sequence number of that packet.

Switching

• Since the packets are individually addressed, and numbered for sequence, they can be sent and received in any order.

• This means that packets can be switched to different routes to get to the destinations, according to network traffic.

Request/Response

- In a typical WWW example, you type in a URL in your browser's location window, and press enter.
- Your browser then sends a message (request) to a web server, asking for a given HTML page.
- The web server sends back the page, or a reason it can't comply (response).

Web browsers

A Web browser contains the basic software you need in order to find, retrieve, view, and send information over the Internet.

This includes software that lets you:

Send and receive electronic-mail (or e-mail) messages worldwide nearly instantaneously.

Read messages from newsgroups (or forums) about thousands of topics in which users share information and opinions.

Browse the World Wide Web (or Web) where you can find a rich variety of text, graphics, and interactive information.

Search Engines

- ▶ Allows the user to type in a word or phrase to search for, then returns results that it determines most closely match the user's request.
- ▶ The user's request is called a *query*. Each individual result is called a *hit*.
- Some popular search engines are Yahoo, Google and AltaVista

Email

- ▶ To send and receive email, you need an email account.
- ► An email address of the form <u>username@domainname.tld</u>.
- ▶ Mail storage where your incoming messages are stored. (ISP "10M"- and web mails "2G")

E-Mail - Electronic Mail

- ► Send mail electronically via the Internet
- ▶ Requires an account on a mail server and supporting software on your PC
- ► The username and password will allow you to access your account
- ▶ All e-mail programs allow you to Send, Compose, Reply, and Forward mail

Obtaining an E-mail Account

- ➤ You will need an e-mail server (post office) in order to send and receive e-mail.
- ► You can obtain an account in school
- ▶ You can pay for an account through an ISP such as AOL
- ► You can get free accounts
 - ▶ <u>www.hotmail.com</u>
 - www.yahoo.com
 - www.gmail.com

Privacy and Terms of Agreement

- ► E-mail is less private than US mail
 - ► If you need privacy, send a letter
- ► Every mail server has terms that you must agree to
 - ► No copyright infringements
 - ► No harassing or stalking
 - ▶ No junk mail or spamming
 - ► No intentional sending of viruses

The Mail Folders

- ► *Inbox* new messages as well as messages that have been read
- ► *Outbox* messages not yet sent
- ► Sent items messages that have been sent (moved here from outbox)
- ▶ *Deleted items* messages deleted from any folder
- ► Custom folders additional folders created by the user

An E-mail Address

- ► Every e-mail address is unique and consists of two parts, a user name and a host computer
- ► The @ sign is required
- ► The host computer can be omitted if you are logged onto the same network or host computer

Additional E-mail Capabilities

Address Book

- ► Contains the e-mail addresses of frequent contacts
- ► Enables you to enter an alias; e.g., "Bob" instead of the complete address

Distribution List

- ► A set of e-mail addresses stored under one name
- ▶ Ideal for your professor to e-mail the class

E-mail Protocols

POP Client – Post Office Protocol

- ▶ Lets you work without being connected to mail server
- Upload to send mail Download to read mail
- ▶ Allows almost any e-mail program to access e-mail from server

IMAP – Internet Message Access Protocol

- ▶ Permits a "client" email program to access remote message stores as if they were local
- ▶ Enables user to access messages from more than one computer

Thank you