

CS162  
Operating Systems and  
Systems Programming  
Lecture 12

Introduction in Networking

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Goals for Today

- Finish Page Replacement
- Working Set/Thrashing
- Introduction to networking

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Allocation of Page Frames (Memory Pages)

- How do we allocate memory among different processes?
  - Does every process get the same fraction of memory? Different fractions?
  - Should we completely swap some processes out of memory?
- Each process needs *minimum* number of pages
  - Want to make sure that all processes **that are loaded into memory** can make forward progress
  - Example: IBM 370 – 6 pages to handle SS MOVE instruction:
    - » instruction is 6 bytes, might span 2 pages
    - » 2 pages to handle *from*
    - » 2 pages to handle *to*
- Possible Replacement Scopes:
  - **Global replacement** – process selects replacement frame from set of all frames; one process can take a frame from another
  - **Local replacement** – each process selects from only its own set of allocated frames

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Fixed/Priority Allocation

- **Equal allocation** (Fixed Scheme):
  - Every process gets same amount of memory
  - Example: 100 frames, 5 processes  $\Rightarrow$  process gets 20 frames
- **Proportional allocation** (Fixed Scheme)
  - Allocate according to the size of process
  - Computation proceeds as follows:
    - $s_i$  = size of process  $p_i$  and  $S = \sum s_i$
    - $m$  = total number of frames
    - $$a_i = \text{allocation for } p_i = \frac{s_i}{S} \times m$$
- **Priority Allocation:**
  - Possible behavior: If process  $p_i$  generates a page fault, select for replacement a frame from a process with lower priority number
- Other schemes?
  - Change adaptively during process lifetime

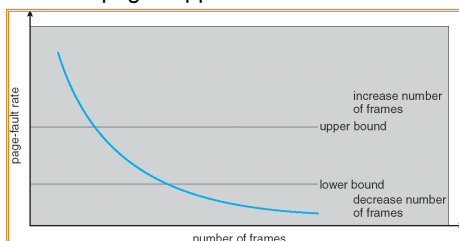
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## Page-Fault Frequency Allocation

- Can we reduce Capacity misses by dynamically changing the number of pages/application?



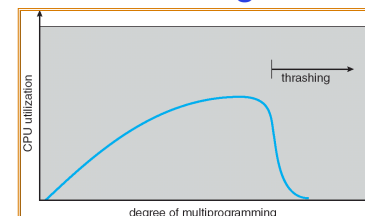
- Establish “acceptable” page-fault rate
  - If actual rate too low, process loses frame
  - If actual rate too high, process gains frame
- Question: What if we just don’t have enough memory?

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## Thrashing



- If a process does not have “enough” pages, the page-fault rate is very high. This leads to:
  - low CPU utilization
  - operating system spends most of its time swapping to disk
- Thrashing** = a process is busy swapping pages in and out
- Questions:
  - How do we detect Thrashing?
  - What is best response to Thrashing?

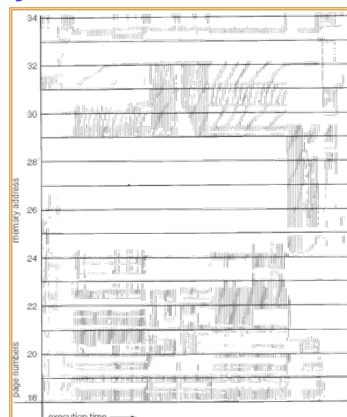
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## Locality In A Memory-Reference Pattern

- Program Memory Access Patterns have temporal and spatial locality
  - Group of Pages accessed along a given time slice called the “Working Set”
  - Working Set defines minimum number of pages needed for process to behave “well”
- Not enough memory for Working Set  $\Rightarrow$  Thrashing
  - Better to swap out process?

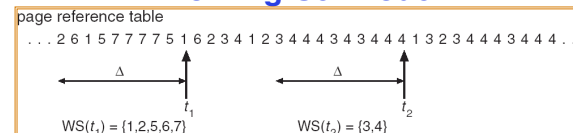


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## Working-Set Model



- $\Delta$  = working-set window = fixed number of page references
  - Example: 10,000 instructions
- $WS_i$  (working set of Process  $P_i$ ) = total set of pages referenced in the most recent  $\Delta$  (varies in time)
  - if  $\Delta$  too small will not encompass entire locality
  - if  $\Delta$  too large will encompass several localities
  - if  $\Delta = \infty \Rightarrow$  will encompass entire program
- $D = \sum WS_i$  = total demand frames
- if  $D > m \Rightarrow$  Thrashing
  - Policy: if  $D > m$ , then suspend/swap out processes
  - This can improve overall system behavior by a lot!

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### What about Compulsory Misses?

- Recall that compulsory misses are misses that occur the first time that a page is seen
  - Pages that are touched for the first time
  - Pages that are touched after process is swapped out/swapped back in
- **Clustering:**
  - On a page-fault, bring in multiple pages “around” the faulting page
  - Since efficiency of disk reads increases with sequential reads, makes sense to read several sequential pages
- **Working Set Tracking:**
  - Track working set of application
  - When swapping process back in, swap in working set

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### Demand Paging Summary

- Replacement policies
  - FIFO: Place pages on queue, replace page at end
  - MIN: Replace page that will be used farthest in future
  - LRU: Replace page used farthest in past
- Clock Algorithm: Approximation to LRU
  - Arrange all pages in circular list
  - Sweep through them, marking as not “in use”
  - If page not “in use” for one pass, then can replace
- N<sup>th</sup>-chance clock algorithm: Another approx LRU
  - Give pages multiple passes of clock hand before replacing
- Second-Chance List algorithm: Yet another approx LRU
  - Divide pages into two groups, one of which is truly LRU and managed on page faults.
- Working Set:
  - Set of pages touched by a process recently
- Thrashing: a process is busy swapping pages in and out
  - Process will thrash if working set doesn't fit in memory
  - Need to swap out a process

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### Administrivia

- Project 2 will be out today
- Midterm next week:
  - Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Closed book, one page of hand-written notes (both sides)
- Midterm Topics: Everything up to this Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

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### 5min Break

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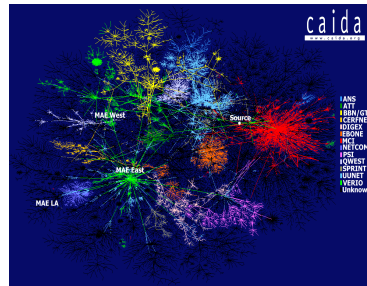
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## What do this two have in Common?



Johann Gutenberg  
(1398-1468)



The Internet

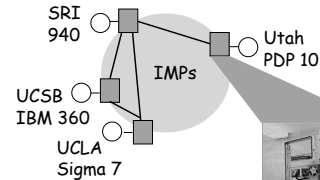
- First printing press
- Key idea: splitting up text in individual components
  - E.g., lower, upper case letters
- **Both lower the cost of distributing information**

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## The ARPANet



BBN team that implemented  
the interface message processor

- Paul Baran
  - RAND Corp, early 1960s
  - Communications networks that would survive a major enemy attack
- ARPANet: Research vehicle for "Resource Sharing Computer Networks"
  - 2 September 1969: UCLA first node on the ARPANet
  - December 1969: 4 nodes connected by phone lines

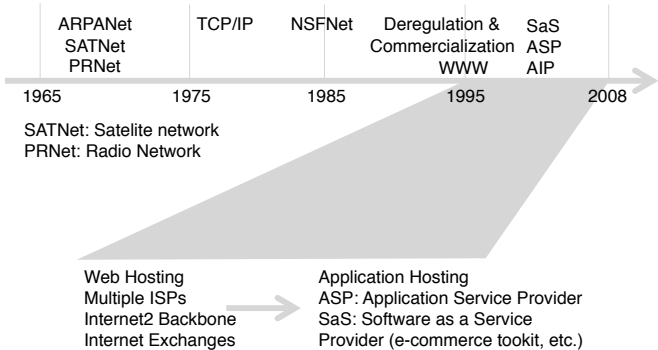


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## ARPANet Evolves into Internet

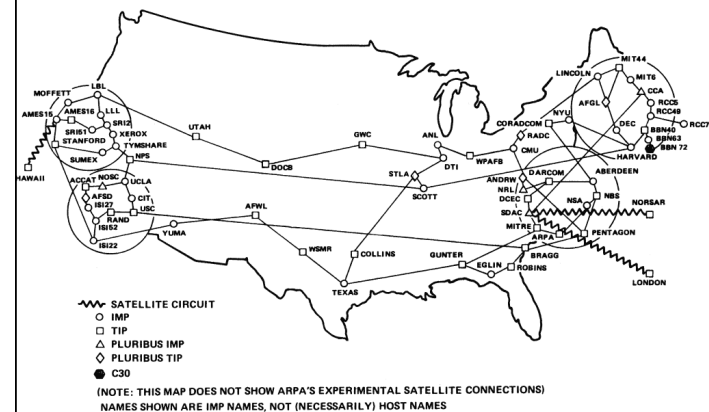


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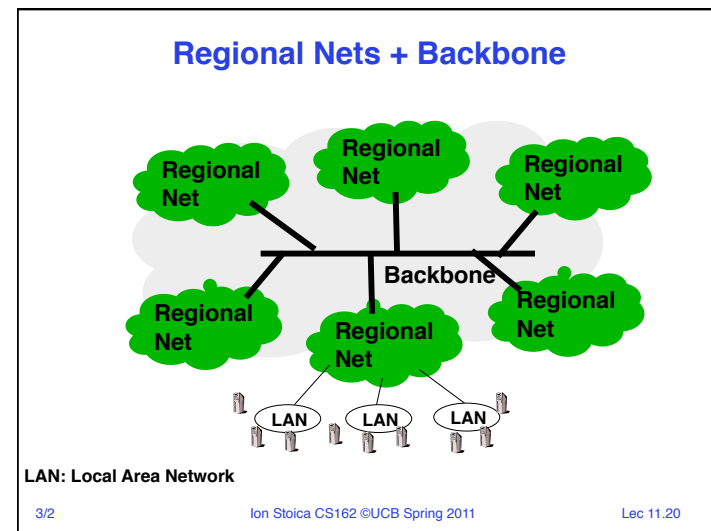
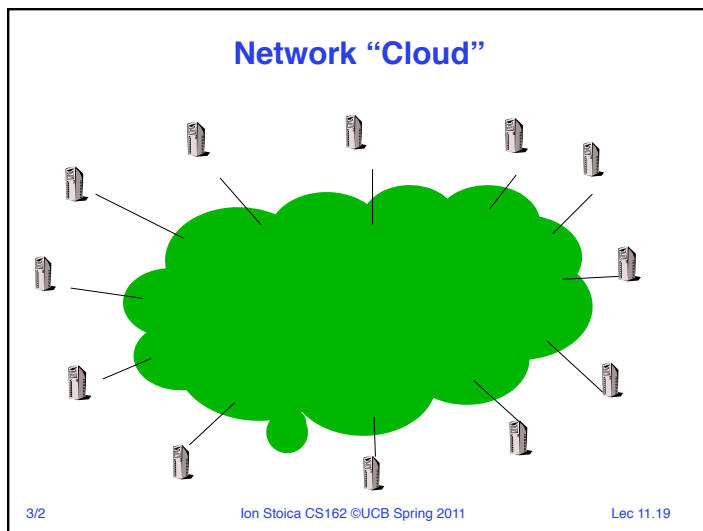
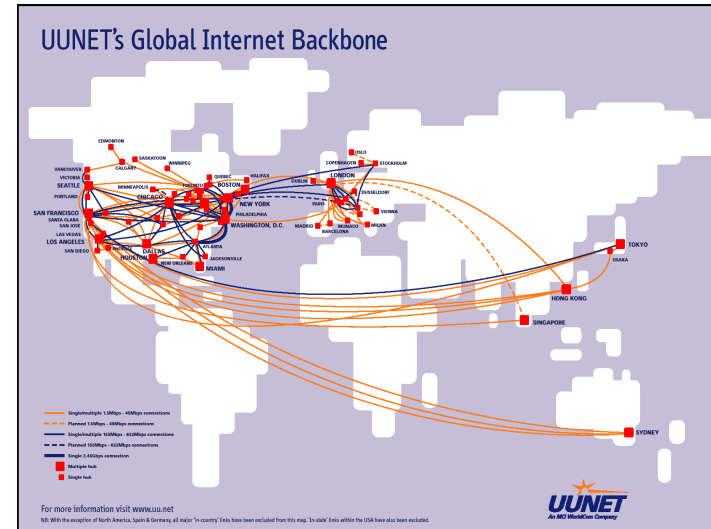
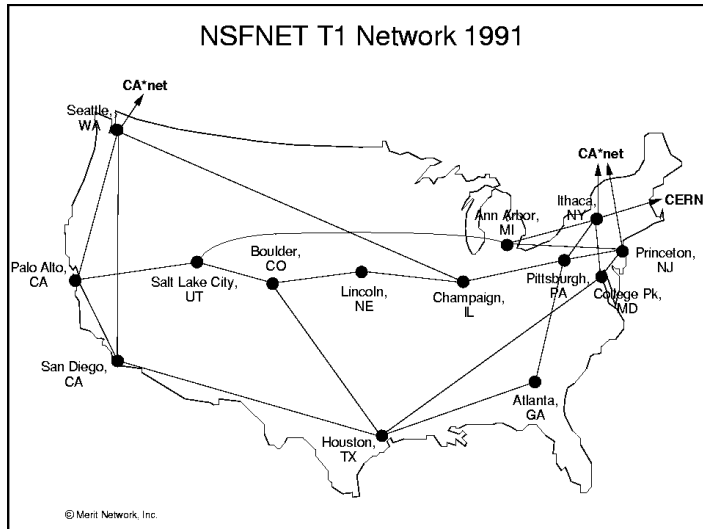
## ARPANET GEOGRAPHIC MAP, OCTOBER 1980

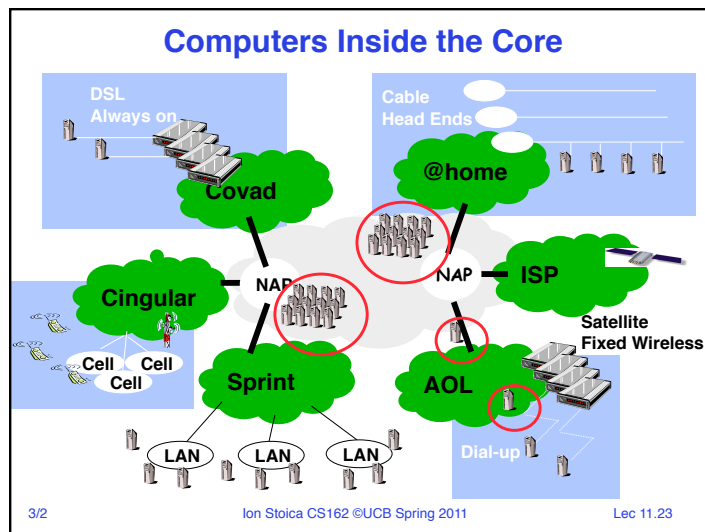
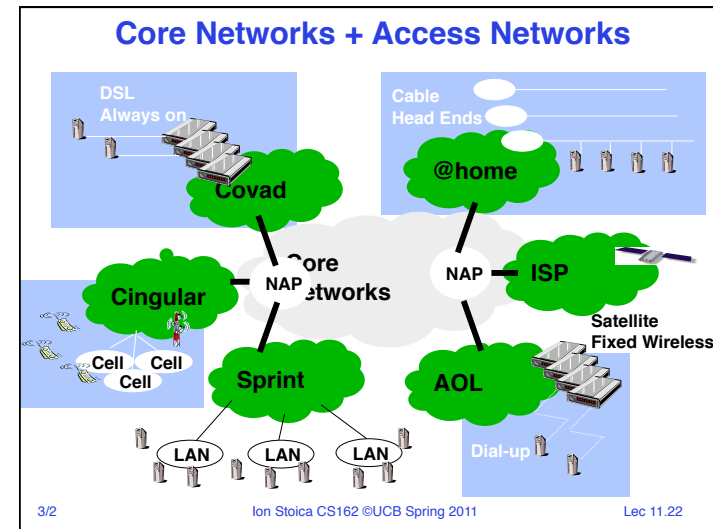
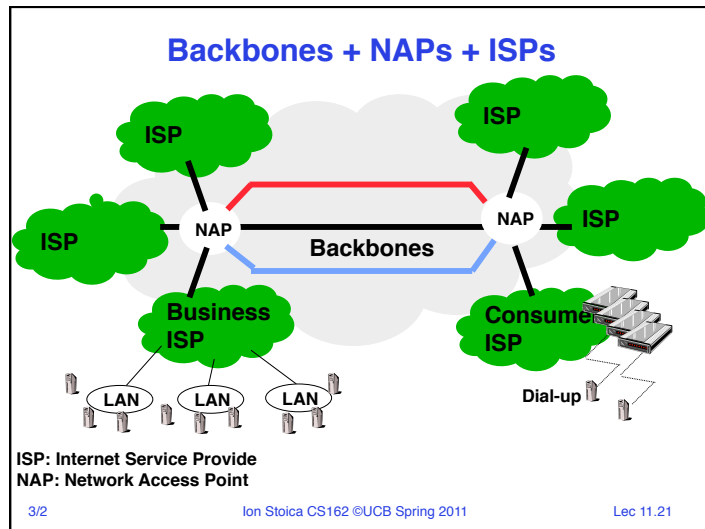


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### Networking: How Hard Can It Be?

- You just string a wire (or other signaling path) between two computers ...
- ... first one pushes bits down the link ...
- ... and the second one gets them up. Right?
- Where does it get tricky?  
What are the challenges?

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## Why Networking Is Challenging

- Fundamental challenge: the **speed of light**
- Question: how long does it take light to travel from Berkeley to New York?
- Answer:
  - Distance Berkeley → New York: 4,125 km
  - Traveling 300,000 km/s: 13.75 msec

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## Fundamental Challenge: Speed of Light

- Question: how long does it take an Internet “packet” to travel from Berkeley to New York?
- Answer:
  - For sure  $\geq 13.75$  msec
  - Depends on:
    - » The **route** the packet takes (could be circuitous!)
    - » The propagation speed of the **links** the packet traverses
      - E.g., in optical fiber light propagates at about  $2/3 C$
    - » The transmission rate (**bandwidth**) of the links (bits/sec)
      - and thus the size of the packet
    - » Number of *hops* traversed (**store-and-forward** delay)
    - » The “competition” for bandwidth the packet encounters (**congestion**). It may have to sit & wait in router **queues**.
  - In practice this boils down to:  $\geq 40$  msec

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## Fundamental Challenge: Speed of Light

- Question: how many cycles does your PC execute before it can possibly **get a reply** to a message it sent to a New York web server?
- Answer:
  - **Round trip** takes  $\geq 80$  msec
  - PC runs at (say) 3 GHz
  - $3,000,000,000 \text{ cycles/sec} \times 0.08 \text{ sec} = 240,000,000 \text{ cycles}$
- Thus,
  - Communication **feedback** is always *dated*
  - Communication fundamentally asynchronous

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## Fundamental Challenge: Speed of Light

- Question: what about between machines directly connected (via a *local area network* or **LAN**)?
- Answer:
  - ```
% ping www.icir.org
PING www.icir.org (192.150.187.11): 56 data bytes
64 bytes from 192.150.187.11: icmp_seq=0 ttl=64 time=0.214 ms
64 bytes from 192.150.187.11: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.226 ms
64 bytes from 192.150.187.11: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.209 ms
64 bytes from 192.150.187.11: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.212 ms
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- $200 \mu\text{sec} = 600,000 \text{ cycles}$ 
  - Still a looong time ...
  - ... and asynchronous

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## Why Networking Is Challenging (con't)

- Fundamental challenge: **components fail**
  - Network communication involves a chain of **interfaces**, **links**, **routers** and **switches** ...

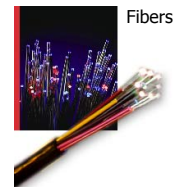
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## Examples of Network Components

### Links

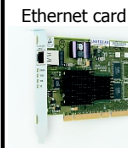


Fibers



Coaxial Cable

### Interfaces



Ethernet card



Wireless card

### Switches/routers



Large router



Telephone switch

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## Why Networking Is Challenging (con't)

- Fundamental challenge: **components fail**
  - Network communication involves a chain of **interfaces**, **links**, **routers** and **switches** ...
  - ... **all** of which must function correctly.
- Question: suppose a communication involves 50 components which work correctly (independently) 99% of the time. What's the likelihood the communication fails at a given point of time?
  - Answer: success requires that they all function, so failure probability =  $1 - 0.99^{50} = 39.5\%$ .
- So we have a **lot** of components, which tend to fail ...
  - ... and we may not find out for a looong time

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## Why Networking Is Challenging (con't)

- Challenge: **enormous dynamic range**
  - Round-trip times (**latency**) vary 10  $\mu$ sec's to sec's ( $10^5$ )
  - Data rates (**bandwidth**) vary from kbps to 10 Gbps ( $10^7$ )
  - Queuing** delays inside the network vary from 0 to sec's
  - Packet loss** varies from 0 to 90+%
  - End system (**host**) capabilities vary from *cell phones* to *supercomputer clusters*
  - Application needs vary enormously: size of transfers, bidirectionality, need for reliability, tolerance of **jitter**
- Related challenge: very often, **there is no such thing as "typical"**. Beware of your "mental models"!
  - Must think in terms of design *ranges*, not points
  - Mechanisms need to be **adaptive**

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## Why Networking Is Challenging (con't)

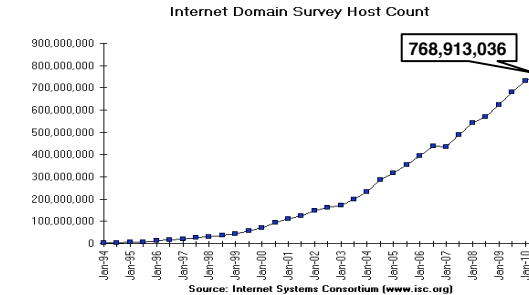
- Challenge: **different parties must work together**
  - Multiple parties with *different agendas* must agree how to divide the task between them
- Working together requires:
  - **Protocols** (defining **who** does **what**)
    - » These generally need to be **standardized**
  - Agreements regarding how different types of activity are treated (**policy**)
- Different parties very well might try to “**game**” the network’s mechanisms to their advantage

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## Why Networking Is Challenging (con't)



- Challenge: **incessant rapid growth**
  - Utility of the network scales with its size
    - ⇒ Fuels **exponential growth** (for more than 2 decades!)
- Adds another dimension of **dynamic range** ...
  - ... and quite a number of **ad hoc** artifacts

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## Why Networking Is Challenging (con't)

- Challenge: **there are Bad Guys out there**
- As the network population grows in size, so does the number of
  - Vandals
  - Crazyies
- What **really** matters, though: as network population grows, it becomes more and more attractive to
  - **Crooks**
  - (and also **spies** and **militaries**)

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71. ANCHETA would develop a worm which would cause infected
computers, unbeknownst to the users of the infected computers, to:
    a. report to the IRC channel he controlled;
    b. scan for other computers vulnerable to similar
infection; and
    c. succumb to future unauthorized accesses, including
for use as proxies for spamming.

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his worm caused 1,000 to 10,000 new bots to join his botnet over
the course of only three days.

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73. ANCHETA would then advertise the sale of bots for the
purpose of launching DDOS attacks or using the bots as proxies to
send spam.

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74. ANCHETA would sell up to 10,000 bots or proxies at a
time.

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75. ANCHETA would discuss with purchasers the nature and
extent of the DDOS or proxy spamming they were interested in

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|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9  | 79. ANCHETA would accept payments through Paypal.                   |
| 15 | 103. In or about August 2004, ANCHETA updated his                   |
| 16 | advertisement to increase the price of bots and proxies, to limit   |
| 17 | the purchase of bots to 2,000 "due to massive orders," and to warn, |
| 14 | adware on those computers without notice to or consent from the     |
| 15 | users of those computers, and by means of such conduct, obtained    |
| 16 | the following approximate monies from the following advertising     |
| 17 | service companies:                                                  |
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| COUNT | APPROXIMATE DATES                          | APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PROTECTED COMPUTERS ACCESSED WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION | APPROXIMATE PAYMENT       |
|-------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| SEVEN | November 1, 2004 through November 19, 2004 | 26,975                                                                   | \$4,044.26 from Gammacash |
| EIGHT | November 16, 2004 through December 7, 2004 | 8,744                                                                    | \$1,306.52 from LOUDcash  |
| NINE  | JANUARY 15, 2005                           | 10,834                                                                   | \$2,000.00                |

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## Why Crooks Matter for Networking

- They (and other attackers) seek ways to misuse the network towards their gain
  - Carefully crafted "bogus" traffic to manipulate the network's operation
  - Torrents of traffic to overwhelm a service (**denial-of-service**) for purposes of extortion / competition
  - Passively recording network traffic in transit (**sniffing**)
  - Exploit flaws in clients and servers using the network to trick into executing the attacker's code (**compromise**)
- They do all this **energetically** because there is significant \$\$\$ to be made

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## Why Networking Is Challenging (con't)

- Challenge: **you cannot reboot the Internet!**
  - Everyone depends on the Internet
    - Businesses
    - Hospitals
    - Education institutions
    - ...
  - Cannot stop, fix, and restart it...
  - ... akin to "changing the engine when you are in-flight!"

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## Summary

- Networking is about **design** in the presence of challenges/ constraints:
  - Not akin to e.g. programming languages / compilers
    - » Which have well-developed theories to draw upon
  - Much more akin to operating systems
    - » Abstractions
    - » Tradeoffs
    - » Design principles / “taste”