

Network Organization and Standards #4

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Network Standards and Open Systems

- Standards Organization Objectives
- Standards Organizations
- Open System Network Requirements
- Layered Architecture
- Goal: Understand how networks are described

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Network Standards and Open Systems: Need for Standards

- Enable interoperability of equipment from different vendors
- Facilitate the building of a large market to reduce prices

Network Standards and Open Systems: Problems with Standards

- Freezes technology
- Multiple standards evolve for same system
- Standards take a long time to be established
- Difficult to evolve to meet rapidly changing needs
- Often standards are complex
- De-facto standards often emerge

Network Standards and Open Systems: Objectives for Standards

- Fulfill need for standards thru:
 - Development
 - Establishment
 - Promulgation
- Co-ordinate activity
- Assure consensus
- Information focal point
- Mechanism for management

Network Standards and Open Systems: Standards Organizations

- American National Standards Institute
 - Manufacturers
 - Organizations
 - Government
 - Users

Network Standards and Open Systems: International Standards Organizations

- Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)
 - Request for Comment (RFC)
- Electronic Industries Association (EIA)
 - Electronic manufacturers
- International Telecommunications Union (ITU)
[Formerly: Consultative Committee International Telegraph Telephone CCITT]
 - National PTT's
 - Scientific organizations
- IEEE
- Forums, e.g. Frame Relay and ATM
 - Vendors
 - Users

Open Systems

- Standards lead to “Open Systems”
- With open systems customers are not locked into one vendor's solution
- Open systems lead to a “seamless” user environment, e.g., www

Network architectures and the Reference Models

- Open systems are build upon a **Layered Architecture** of the network
- Layered Architecture is the *“structuring”* of network functions
- Note that a network protocols are one example of real-time distributed processing

Network architectures and the Reference Models

- Reference models provide:
 - A conceptual framework to characterize networks
 - A mechanism to control/ describe the complexity of networks
 - Required for open systems

Network architectures and the Reference Models

- Layered Architectures must have
 - Structure
 - Symmetry
 - Peer protocols
- Structure is the collection of related processing functions into layers

Network architectures and the Reference Models

- Symmetry requires compatible functions exist is source/destination systems
- Peer Protocols are the set of rules that govern the processing between peer entities, i.e., the source/destination

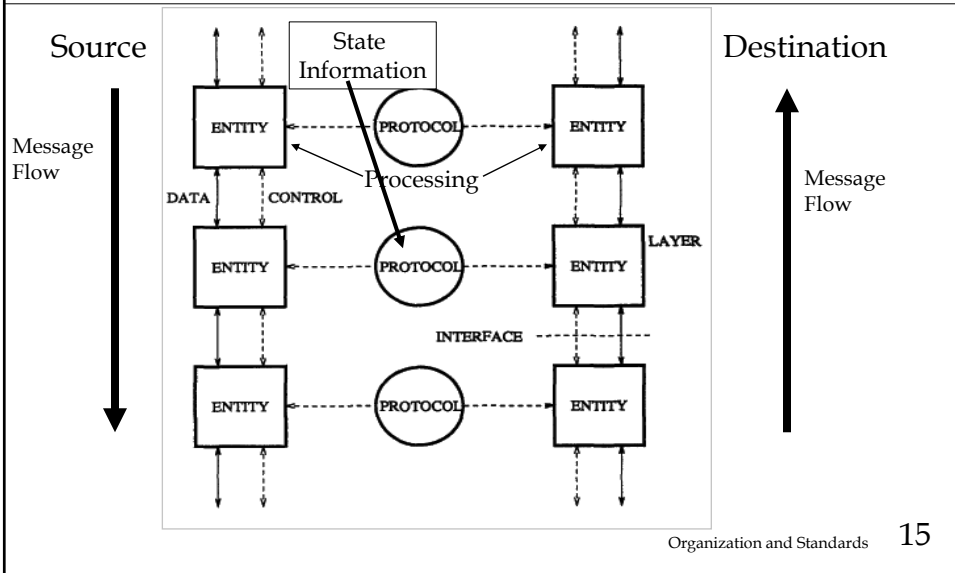
Network architectures: Underlying Principles

- Minimize the number of layers thus simplifying the tasks of describing and integrating different layers.
- Establish boundaries at points where the description of services is small and the number of interactions is minimum.
- Create layers that include different functions.

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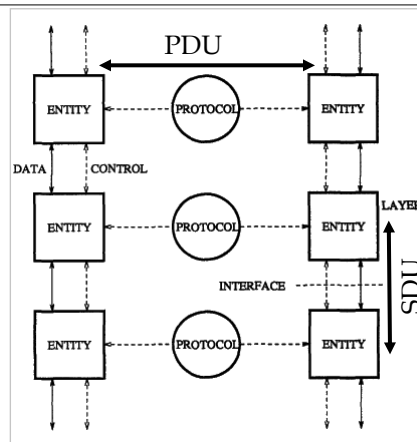
- Establish boundaries where history demonstrates that the implementation can be partitioned.
- Engineer layers so that they can be redesigned to take advantage of new technology without changing the services and interfaces of adjacent layers.
- Allow for the bypassing of sublayers.
- Each layer should add value

Layered Architecture

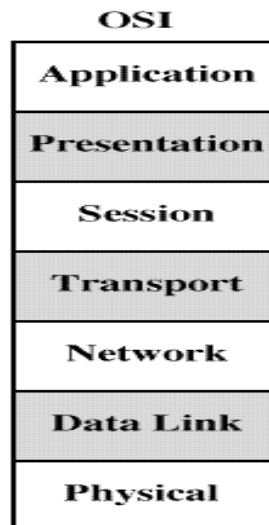


PDU and SDUs

- Protocol Data Units (PDU) = packets between Peer entities
- Service Data Units (SDU) = packets between layers



Layered Architecture: International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Open Systems Interconnection Model (OSI)



Physical Layer

- DTE/DCE interface
 - Data Terminal Equipment (PC)
 - Data Communications Equipment (Modem)
- Electrical/optics/radio connections
- Mechanical connections
- Functional Requirements
- Procedural protocol
- Bit transmission

Data Link Layer

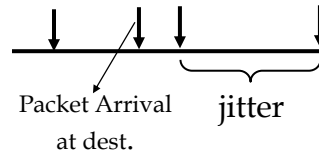
- Manage the link connection
- Supervise data interchange
- Synchronize and delimit
- Frame (block) sequencing
- Link flow control
- Link Error Control
- Abnormal condition recovery
- Identification and parameter exchange

Network Layer

- Routing and switching
- Network connections
- Logical channel control
- Segmenting and blocking
- Error recovery
- Sequencing and flow control

Network Layer

- Guaranteed Delivery (eventually)
- Guaranteed Delivery with delay bound
- For packet flows if defined:
 - In-order delivery
 - Guaranteed minimal data rate (e.g. in b/s)
 - Guaranteed minimal jitter
 - Security



Transport Layer

- Mapping
- Multiplexing
 - Multiple sessions on one transport pipe
- End-to-end error control
- Flow regulation
- Manage concatenated networks

Session Layer

- Administrative services
 - Binding connections
 - Unbinding connections
- Dialog Services
 - Control data exchange
 - Interaction and synchronization
 - Exception reporting

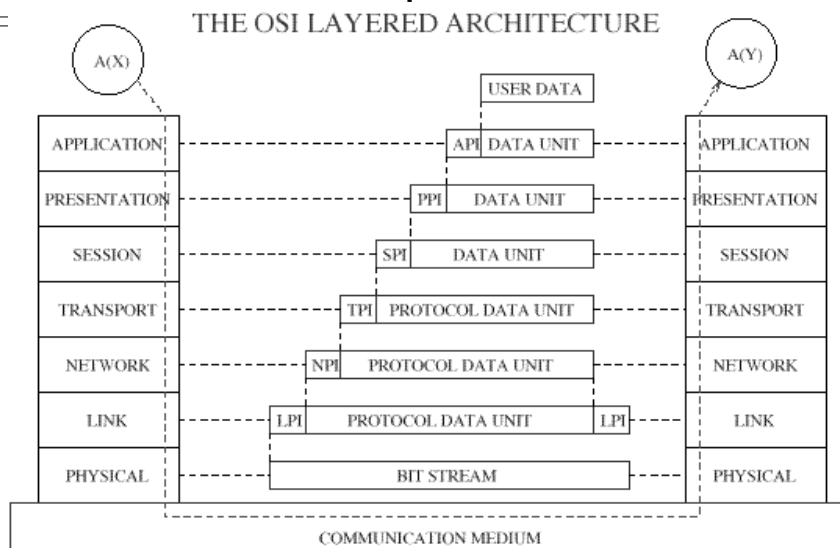
Presentation Layer

- Interpretation of data
- Data transformation
- Data formatting
- Syntax selection
- Structuring of data

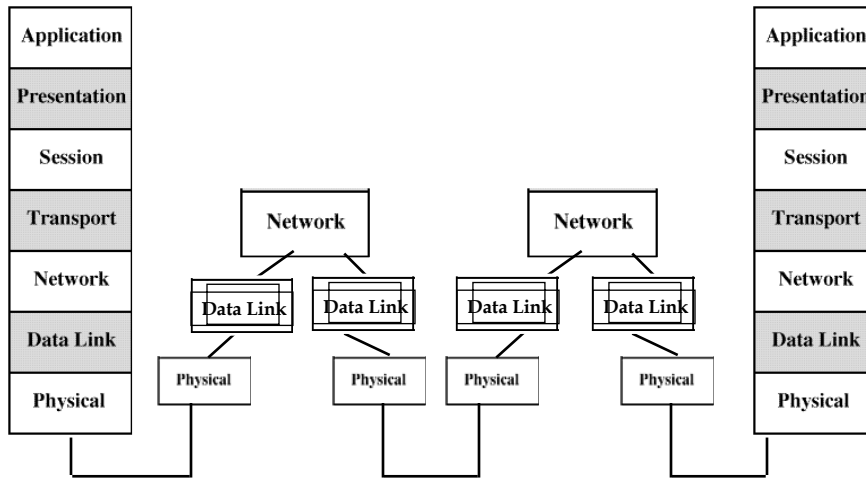
Application Layer

- Highest layer
- Serves as window to OSI
- Functions to provide all services
- Comprehensible to the user e.g.
 - Identification
 - Availability of resources
 - Authority
 - Authentication
 - Agreement on syntax
- Layer management function

Layered Architecture: End-to-End Perspective



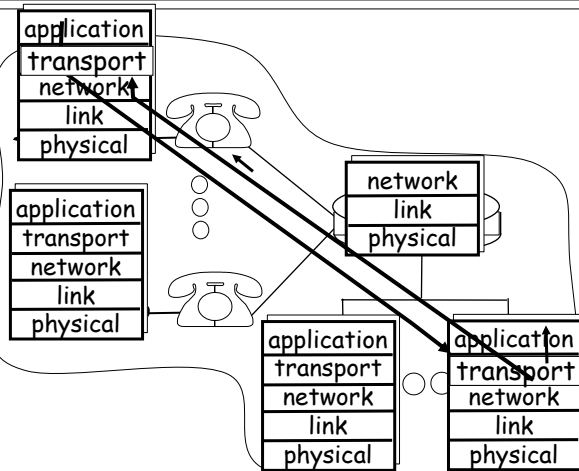
Layered Architecture:



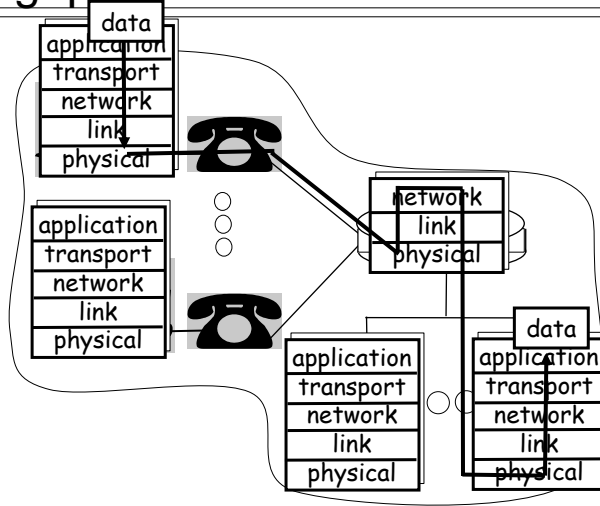
Layering: *logical* communication

E.g.: transport

- take data from app
- add addressing, reliability check info to form "datagram"
- send datagram to peer
- wait for peer to ack receipt
- analogy: post office



Layering: physical communication



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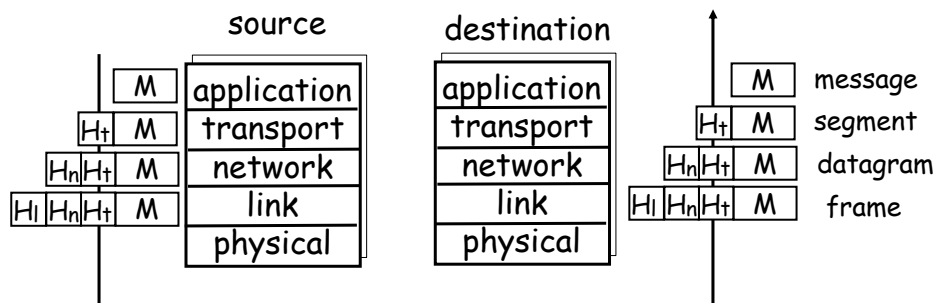
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Protocol layering and data

Each layer takes data from above

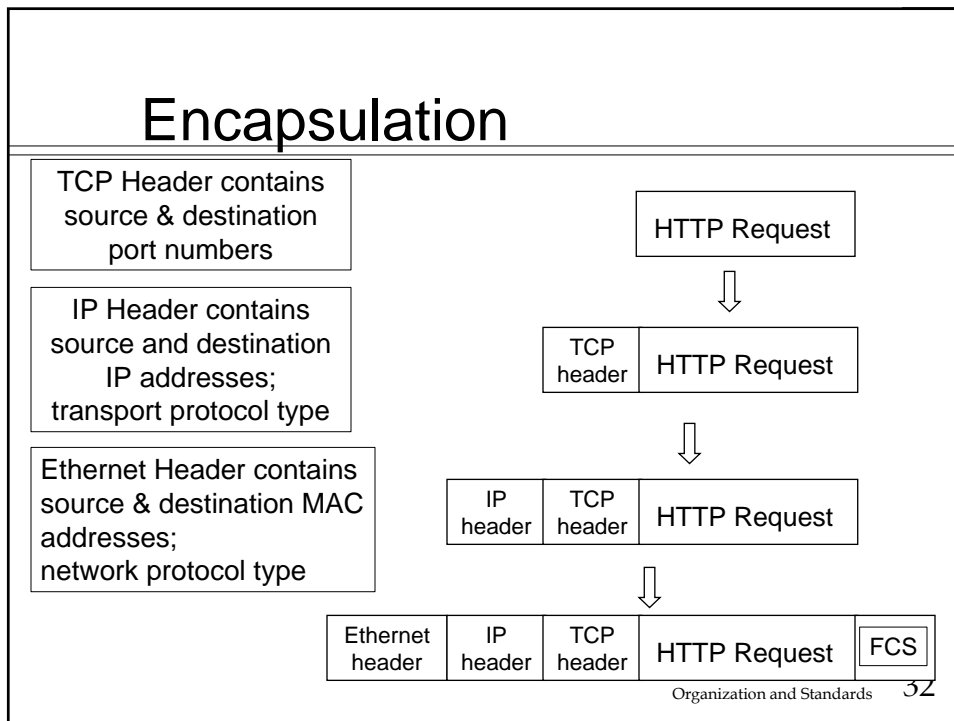
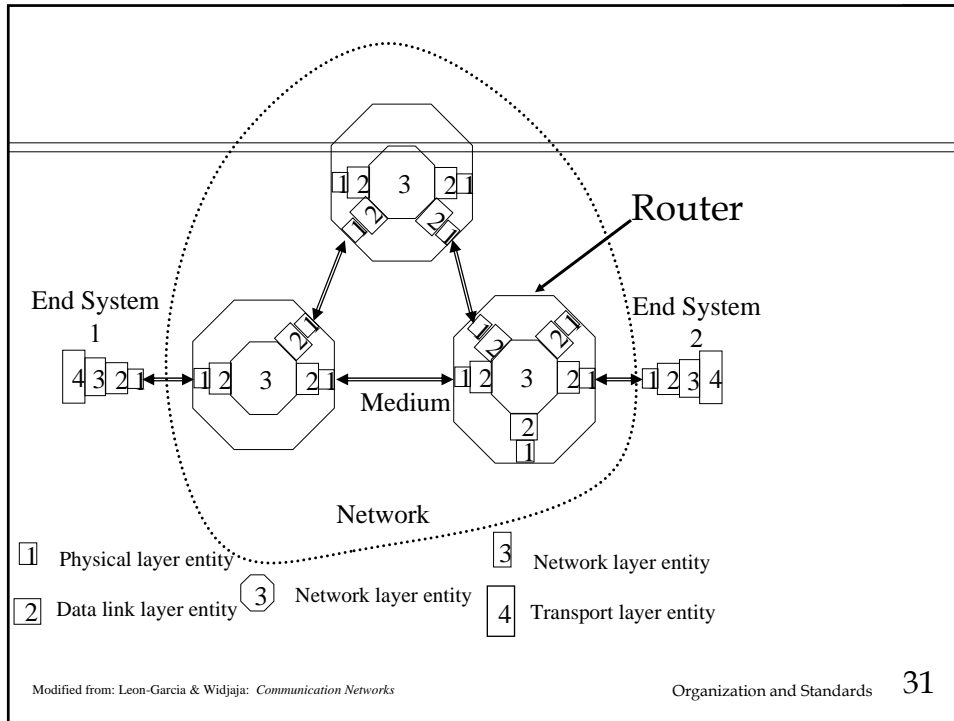
- adds header information to create new data unit
- passes new data unit to layer below



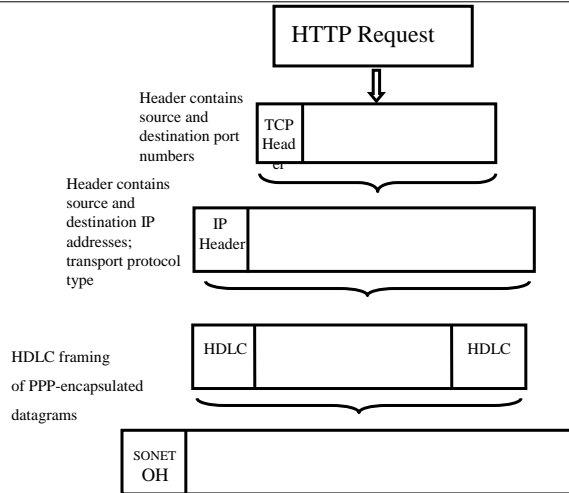
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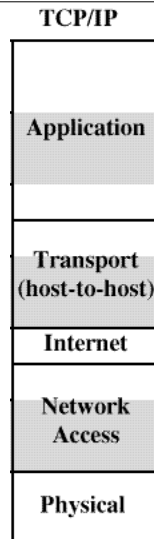
Example of Encapsulation: IP over SONET over WDM-Packet over SONET



Layered Architecture:

- Presentation: What does the peer look like?
- Sessions: Who is the Peer?
- Transport: Where is the Peer?
- Network: What is the route to the peer?
- Link: How is each step along the route taken?
- Physical: How is the transmission medium used?

Layered Architecture: TCP/IP



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- Physical layer is same as in OSI
- Network Layer:
 - Interaction between end-systems and network
 - Source provides destination address through network layer
 - Makes higher layer software “independent” of underlying networking technology

Layered Architecture: TCP/IP:

■ Internet Layer

- Routing between networks
- Implemented in end systems
- Implemented in routers
- Internet Protocol (IP)

Layered Architecture: TCP/IP:

■ Transport Layer

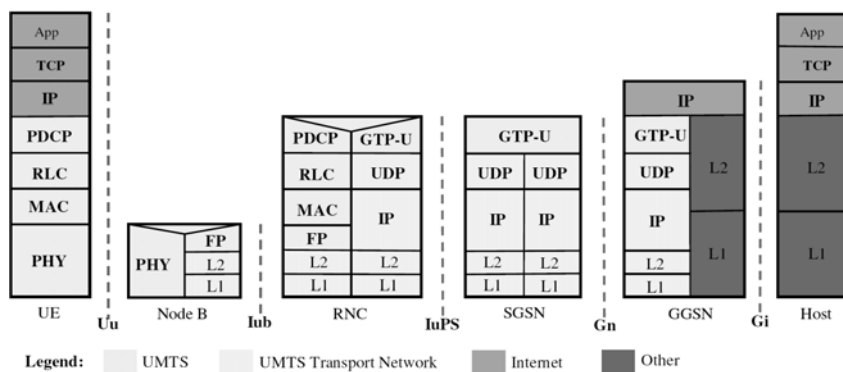
- Reliable end-to end- transport
 - Transport Control Protocol (TCP)
- User datagram protocol (UDP)
- Others, e.g., Real Time Protocol (RTP)

Layered Architecture: TCP/IP:

■ Application Layer

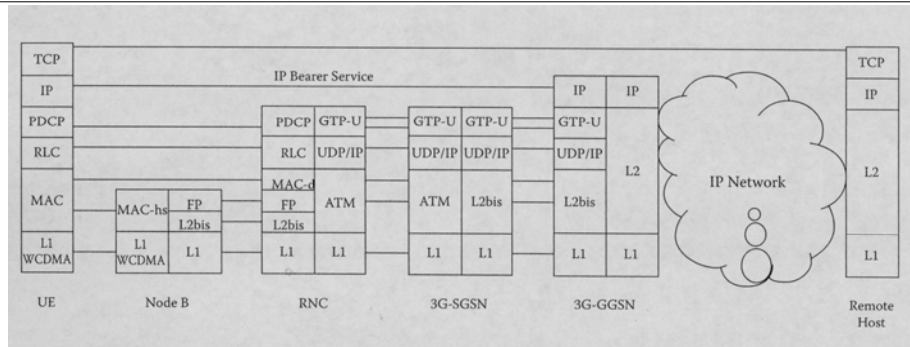
- ftp
- telnet
- Mail
- WWW

Example Protocol Stack: Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS) Protocol Architecture - User Plane



FP= Framing Protocol GTP-U= GPRS Tunneling Protocol-User PDCP =Packet Data convergence Protocol
From: Geert Heijenk, wwwhome.cs.utwente.nl/~heijenk/mwn/slides/Lecture-5%206%20slides%20per%20page.pdf

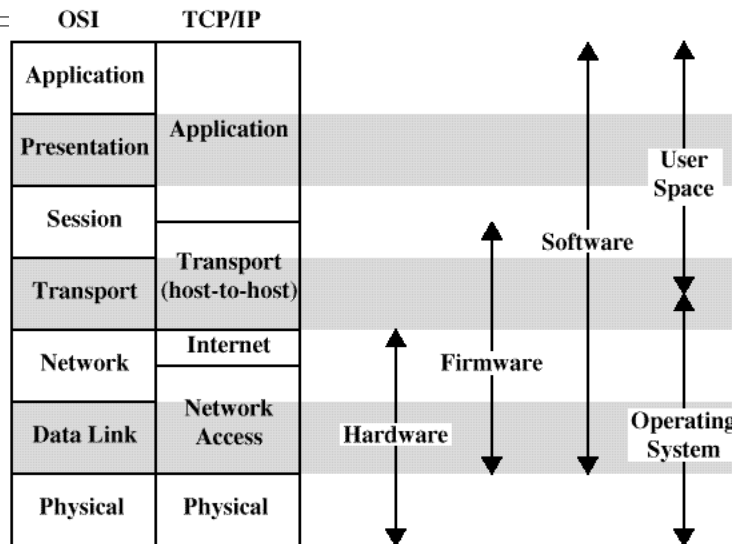
Example Protocol Stack: High Speed Data Packet Access(HSDPA)



GTP-U = GPRS tunneling protocol: GTP-U is used for carrying user data within the GPRS core network and between the Radio Access Network and the core network.

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Layered Architecture: OSI and TCP/IP



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