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# Department of Information Technology 

Course Name - 19IT401 Computer Networks

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Unit 1 - Introduction
Topic 1- Overview and Basics

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## CE - Current Era

1790's - Semaphore lines

1800's - Heliograph
1830's - Electric Telegraph

1870's - Telephone



## CE - Current Era

## 1890's - Radio

1920's - Television
1960's - Satellite


RCA 630-TS, the first mass produced
television set, which sold in 1946-1947


Marconi operating apparatus similar to that used by him to transmit first wireless signal across Atlantic

## Computer Networks - A Beginning

1960's - Network through evolution of computers.

- Mainframe computers in research organizations were standalone devices.
- Computers from different manufacturers were unable to communicate with one another.
- The Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA) in the Department of Defense (DoD) was interested in finding a way to connect computers.

1967 - In Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) meeting, ARPA presented its ideas for ARPANET, a small network of connected computers.

- Each host computer (not necessarily from the same manufacturer) would be attached to a specialized computer, called an interface message processor (IMP).
- The IMPs, in turn, would be connected to one another.
- Each IMP had to be able to communicate with other IMPs as well as with its own attached host.


## Computer Networks - A reality

1969 - ARPANET - A Reality
Four nodes, at the

- University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA),
- University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB),
- Stanford Research Institute (SRI), and
- University of Utah
connected via the IMPs to form a network (50 kbps).
Software called the Network Control Protocol (NCP) provided communication between the hosts.


Leonard Kleinrock and the first Interface Message Processor (router)

## Computer Networks - A reality

1972 - ARPANET connected 15 nodes, Email was introduced.
In 1972, Vint Cerf and Bob Kahn, both of whom were part of the core ARPANET group, collaborated on what they called the Internetting Project.

1973 - Vint Cerf and Bob Kahn introduced TCP/IP Protocol
Emergence of different networks

- ALOHANet (Microwave) - University of Hawaii
- First Public demonstration of wireless data network.
- DARPA Satellite - Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
- BBN Commercial


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- SATNET, PRNET, MILNET, SIMNET and invented first link-state routing protocol.


## Computer Networks - A reality

1981-213 hosts on ARPANET

1982 - SMTP

1983 - DNS

1986 - IETF

1988 - OSI Reference model released
1989 - BGP, RIP

## Internet and more

1990 - Commercialisation of Internet (ISP)
1991 - WWW by Tim Berners Lee
1995 - Applications on Instant messaging, P2P, E-Commerce (Ebay and Amazon)
1998 - Google Search
1999-WiFi

- 2003: Skype
- 2004: Facebook
- 2005: Youtube
- 2006: Twitter
- 2008: Cloud based services (E.g. Dropbox)
- 2010: Instagram (Photosharing)
- 2011: Google+


## Computer Network

Computer network is a connection of autonomous computers for the purpose of resource sharing and communication between them.

## Basic Terminologies

## Links and Nodes

Links are physical medium such as coaxial cable or an optical fiber
Nodes are computers.
Link Types

- Point to Point
- Multiple Access or Multipoint



## Computer Network

## Flow of Information

## Transmission Mode

Simplex - unidirectional (Eg: keyboard, monitor)


Half-duplex - each station can both transmit and receive, but not at the same time (Eg. walkie-talkie).


Full-duplex (also called duplex), both stations can transmit and receive simultaneously (Eg. telephone network).


## Computer Network

## Physical Topology

- The term physical topology refers to the way in which a network is laid out physically.
- Two or more devices connect to a link; two or more links form a topology.
- The topology of a network is the geometric representation of the relationship of all the links and linking devices (usually called nodes) to one another.

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