## Practical Network

## Computer Science

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## NETWORKS

A network is a set of devices (often referred to as nodes) connected by communication links.

A node can be a computer, printer, or any other device capable of sending and/or receiving data generated by other nodes on the network.

## Network's Components

## Client

Workstations
Network Interface Card (NIC)
Communication Medium (type of cables)
Routers, Hubs, Switches, Servers


## A network Client

- A network client or client is a device on a computer network that requests services or resources from a server.

■ Clients can be printers, workstations, servers, or any other device connected to the computers on a network.

■ The most common network clients are workstations.

## Workstation

■ A workstation is a computer that operates separate of the network.

■ It manages its own files and processing.
■ Workstations connect to the network for the
purpose of security and centralized management of networked resources.

## Interface of Work Stations



## Communication Medium

- A communication medium is the physical path between the networked resources.
- The medium used is either a coaxial cable or a twistedpair wire and fiber-optic cabling
- Wireless medium like Nano-station, Nano beam and router satellite etc........ .


## Network Interface Card (NIC)

- A NIC, also known as the network board, is used to connect the networked components to the physical cable.
- The NIC provides a physical connection to the device and also creates and sends signals from one networked device to another.

Network Interface Card


## Network Classification

Network classification by size or scale:
$\square$ LAN
$\square$ MAN
$\square$ WAN

## Local Area Network（LAN）

$\square$ Contains printers，servers and computers
$\square$ Systems are close to each other
$\square$ Contained in one office or building
$\square$ Organizations often have several LANS


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## Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)

Metropolitan area network (MAN) is a computer network that interconnects users with computer resources in a geographic area or region larger than that covered by even a large local area network (LAN) but smaller than the area covered by a wide area network (WAN).


## Wide Area Networks (WAN)

$\square$ Two or more LANs connected
$\square$ Over a large geographic area
-Typically use public or leased lines
$\square$ Phone lines
$\square$ Satellite
$\square$ The Internet is a WAN its about $10-100 \mathrm{~km}$


## Topology of Network

- The network topology defines the layout of the network(network form or structure).
- It shows how devices on the network are interconnected.
- Devices on the network are termed nodes.
- A network has both a physical and a logical topology.



## Bus Topology

- Also called linear bus
$\square$ One wire connects all nodes
$\square$ Terminator ends the wires
Advantages
$>$ Easy to setup
$>$ Small amount of wire
$>$ It works well for small networks
$>$ It does not need a central device, such as a hub, switch, or router
Disadvantages
$>$ Slow
$>$ Easy to crash
$>$ It works well for small networks



## Network star

All nodes connect to a hub

- Packets sent to hub
- Hub sends packet to destination
- Most common topology

Advantages
> Easy to setup
> One cable can not crash network

> It is upgradeable, flexible, and reliable
> This topology allows for more throughput than any other topology
Disadvantages
$\square$ One hub crashing downs entire network

- Uses lots of cable
$\square$ It is more expensive to build because of the additional cost of cables and devices

