

Ques - What are the different types of Networks?

Ans - There are various types of networks each designed to serve specific purposes and environment. Here's a concept overview of the types:

Types of Networks

1. Personal Area Network (PAN)

- Description :- It connects devices within a very limit area, typically within a few meters.

uses :- Personal devices like Smartphones, tablets, and laptops.

2. Local Area Network (LAN)

- Description :- connects devices within a limited geographical area, such as a building or campus.

uses :- office Network, Home Networks.

3. Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN)

- Description :- A LAN that connects devices wireless.
- uses :- Wi-fi Networks in homes and businesses.

4. Campus Area Network (CAN)

- Description :- It connects multiple LANs within a specific geographical area like a university campus.

uses :- university or corporate campus.

5. Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)

- Description :- It connects network across a city or a larger campus.
- uses :- city-wide wi-fi or government network

6. Wide Area Network (WAN)

- Description :- It connects devices over large geographical areas often using leased telecommunication lines.

uses :- Internet, corporate networks spanning multiple locations.

7. Storage Area Network (SAN)

- Description :- A specialized network designed to provide access to consolidated, block-level data storage.
- uses :- Data centers for high-speed data.

8. Virtual Private Network (VAN)

- Description :- It creates a secure connection over the internet often using Encryption.
- uses :- Secure remote access to private networks.

9. Home Area Network (HAN)

- Description :- It connects devices within a home.
- uses :- Smart home devices Personal computer, and Environment system.

Summary :-

scale :- Networks vary in size from Personal (PAN) to vast (VAN)

Connection type :- They can be wired (LAN, SAN) or wireless (WLAN, VPN)

Purpose :- Each network type is tailored for specific applications such as personal uses business operations, or data management.

If you would like more detailed information on any specific type of network, feel free to ask.

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Ques 02 Explain the Shielded Twisted Pair (STP) and unshielded twisted pair (UTP)

Ans :- Shielded Twisted Pair (STP) and Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) are both types of twisted pair cables used for networking and telecommunication. They are designed to transmit data over short to medium distances and are commonly used in various applications, including computer networks, telephone systems, and data transmission.

★ Shielded Twisted Pair (STP)

Definition - STP cables also consist of twisted pairs of wires, but they include additional shielding around the pairs to protect against electromagnetic interference and crosstalk.

Characteristics :-

Construction :- In addition to twisted pairs, STP cables have a foil or braided shield that surrounds the pairs, which helps to block interference from external sources.

- Cost :- Generally more expensive than UTP due to the additional materials used for shielding.

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• Performance :- STP cables can provide better performance in ~~envi~~ environments with high levels of electromagnetic interference making them suitable for industrial application or areas with heavy machinery.

• Applications :- often used in environments where data integrity is critical, such as in data centers, hospitals and industrial setting.

Limitations :-

Flexibility :- STP cables are typically less flexible and heavier than UTP cables, making installation more challenging in some cases.

Cost considerations :- The higher cost may not be justified in low-interference environment

Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP)

Definition :- UTP cables consist of pairs of wires twisted together without any additional shielding. The twisting helps to reduce electromagnetic interference (EMI) and crosstalk between the pairs.

Characteristics :-

Construction :- Typically made of copper wires twisted into pairs. The twisting helps to cancel out electromagnetic interference.

Cost :- Generally less expensive than STP because they do not include shielding.

Flexibility :- UTP cables are more flexible and easier to install due to their lighter weight and lack of shielding.

Applications :- Commonly used in Ethernet networks; telephone lines and various data communication systems.

Limitations :-

Susceptibility to interference :- UTP cables are more susceptible to external interference and crosstalk compared to STP cables, especially in environments with high electromagnetic interference.

Summary :- In summary, the choices between STP and UTP depends on the specific requirement of the installation environment. UTP is suitable for most general purpose networking needs, while STP is preferred in environment where electromagnetic interference is a concern. Understanding the difference between these two types of twisted pair cables can help in selecting the right one for a given application.

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Ans 03 - What is difference between baseband and broadband transmission?

Ans:- Baseband and broadband transmission differ primarily in the type of signals they use and how they transmit data.

Baseband transmission sends a single digital signal over a communication medium, utilizing the entire bandwidth for that one signal. This means it can only transmit one data stream at a time, making it suitable for short-distance communication, such as within a building or campus. It employs digital signals and supports bidirectional communication through separate circuits for sending and receiving data.

Key Differences:-

- Signal Type:-
 - Baseband : Digital ~~sig~~ signals.
 - Broadband : Analog signals.
- Communication Direction:-
 - Baseband : Supports bidirectional communication.
 - Broadband : Long-range application for (e.g., internet, cable TV)

- Medium :-
- Baseband :- Uses the entire bandwidth of the medium for a single signal.
- Broadband :- Divides the medium into multiple channels for different signals.
- Conclusion :- Baseband is suitable for environments requiring high integrity and low-cost data links over short distance, while broadband is designed for high bandwidth and long distance communication, accommodating various types of signals simultaneously.

Ques 04 - What is the difference between a hub, modem, router and a switch? (10)

Ans - The terms hub, modem, router, and switch refer to different devices used in networking, each serving distinct purposes. Here's a breakdown of their functions and differences:

Summary:-

- Hub:- Basic device for connecting multiple devices, broadcasts data to all ports.
- Modem:- Connects to the Internet, converts ~~sign~~ signals between digital and analog.
- Router:- Router data between networks, manages Internet traffic, and connects to a modem.
- Switch :- Connects devices within a network, forwards data intelligently based on MAC addresses.

→ In many modern setups, a single device may combine the functions of a modem, router, and sometimes even a switch, but understanding the distinct roles can help in network design and troubleshooting.

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Ques 05 - When you move the NIC cards from one PC to another PC, does the MAC address gets transferred as well?

Ans - When you move a Network Interface Card (NIC) from one PC to another, the MAC (Media Access Control) address associated with that NIC is transferred along with it. The MAC address is a hardware address that is embedded in the NIC by the manufacturer and is unique to that specific card.

When you install the NIC in a different PC, it retains its original MAC address, this means that the new PC will use the same MAC address that NIC had when it was in the original PC. However, keep in mind that if the NIC is moved to a different network, there may be implications for network configuration, such as DHCP leases or static IP assignments, that were based on the original MAC address.

Ques 06 - When troubleshooting computer network problems,
what common hardware-related problems can
occur?

Ans - Troubleshooting computer network problem, a common hardware-related issue can occur if a faulty network cable. This can manifest as intermittent connectivity, slow network speeds, or complete loss of connection. Other potential hardware-related problems include.

1. Defective Network Interface Card (NIC) :-

A malfunctioning NIC can prevent a device from connecting to the network.

2. Router or Switch malfunctions :-

Issues with these devices can disrupt the flow of data between devices on the network.

3. Power Issues :-

Devices like router and switches may not function correctly if they are not receiving adequate power.

4. Wireless Interference -

For wireless network, interference from other electronic devices or physical obstructions can degrade signal quality.

5. Improperly Configured Hardware -

Incorrect setting on routers or switches can lead to connectivity issues.

6) - Overheating -

Hardware that overheats can lead to performance issues or complete failure.

⇒ Identifying and addressing these hardware-related issues is a crucial step in resolving network problems.

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Ques 07 - In a network that contains two servers and twenty workstations, where is the best place to install an Anti-Virus Program?

Ans - In a network with two servers and twenty workstations, the best approach to installing an antivirus program would involve a combination of server-side and workstation-side protection. Here are some recommendations.

1. On the Servers:-

- Install Antivirus software on Both Servers-

Since servers often hold critical data and services, they should have robust antivirus protection. This helps protect against malware that could compromise server integrity or availability.

• Centralized Management -

If possible, use an antivirus solution that allows for centralized management. This enables easier updates, monitoring, and reporting across all devices in the network.

2. - On the workstations-

- Install Antivirus Software on all workstations-
Each of the twenty workstations should also have antivirus software installed.
- Endpoint Protection-
Consider using endpoint protection solutions that provide advanced features like real-time protection, behavior monitoring and web filtering.

3. Network Security -

• Regular Updates and Patching -

Ensure that the antivirus software on both servers and workstations is kept up to date with the latest virus definitions and software patches.

• User Education :-

Train users on safe computing practices to minimize the risk of malware infection, such as not opening suspicious emails or downloading untrusted software.

4. Backup and Recovery:-

Implement a backup strategy for both Servers and workstations to ensure that data can be restored in case of a malware attack.

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Ques 08 - Define Static IP and Dynamic IP ? Discuss the difference between IPv4 and IPv6.

Ans - A static IP address is a fixed address assigned to a device that does not change over time, making it ideal for hosting services or remote access. In contrast, a dynamic IP address is assigned by a DHCP Server and can change periodically, providing flexibility and efficient use of IP addresses.

Regarding the difference between IPv4 and IPv6

- IPv4 :-
 - uses a 32-bit address scheme allowing for approximately 4.3 billion unique address.
- Address format consists of four decimal numbers separated by dots (e.g., 192.168.1.1).
- Currently the most widely used version of the Internet Protocol.

- IPv6 :-
- Uses a 128-bit address scheme, allowing for a vastly larger number of unique addresses (approximately 340 undecillion).
- Address format consists of eight groups of four hexadecimal digits separated by colons (e.g., 2001:0db8:85a3:0000:0000:8a2e:0340:7334).
- Designed to replace IPv4 due to the limitations of address space.

Key Differences Between IPv4 and IPv6.

- Address Length :-
 (1) IPv4 : 32 bits
 (2) IPv6 : 128 bits
- Address Space :-
 (1) IPv4 : Limited, leading to exhaustion.
 (2) IPv6 : Vastly larger, virtually unlimited
- Configuration -
 (1) IPv4 : Often requires manual configuration or DHCP
 (2) IPv6 : Supports autoconfiguration and is designed for easier management.

- Security :-

- (1) IPv4 : Security is optional and often requires additional Protocols (e.g., IPsec)
- (2) IPv6 : Security is built-in as a fundamental feature.

- Usage -

- (1) IPv4 : Still Predominant but gradually being phased out.
- (2) IPv6 : Increasingly adopted as the internet grows and the need for more addresses rises.

Ques 09 - Discuss TCP/IP model in detail.

Ans - The TCP/IP model, also known as the Internet Protocol Suite, is a conceptual framework used to understand and implement network protocols for the Internet and similar networks.

1) Application Layer :-

- Purpose - The Application layer is the topmost layer of the TCP/IP model. It provides network services directly to the user applications.

Functions -

- Facilitates communication between software application and the underlying network.

Protocols :-

- HTTP/HTTPS - Used for web browsing.

- FTP - File Transfer Protocol for transferring files.

- SMTP/POP3/IMAP - Email Protocols.

- DNS - Domain Name System for resolving domain names to IP addresses.

2) Transport Layer:-

- Purpose - The Transport layer is responsible for end-to-end communication and data flow control between devices.

• Functions -

- Provides reliable or unreliable delivery of data.
- Manages error detection and correction, as well as flow control.

• Protocols :-

• TCP (Transmission Control Protocol) :-

A connection-oriented protocol that ensures reliable transmission of data. It establishes a connection before data is sent and guarantees that packets ~~do~~ arrive in order and without errors.

• UDP (User Datagram Protocol) :-

A connectionless protocol that allows for faster transmission of data without the overhead of error checking and connection management. It is suitable for applications where speed is more critical than reliability (e.g., video streaming, online gaming).

3) Internet Layer

- Purpose :-

The Internet layer is responsible for logical addressing and routing of data packets across the network. It determines the best path for data to travel from the source to the destination.

- Function :-

- Handles packet routing through different networks.
- Provides logical addressing through IP addresses.

- Protocols :-

- IP (Internet Protocol) :-

The primary protocol used for routing packets. It includes two versions.

- IPv4 :- Uses 32-bit addresses, leading to a theoretical limit of about 4.3 billion unique addresses.

- IPv6 :-

Uses 128-bit addresses, allowing for a virtually unlimited number of unique addresses.

- ICMP (Internet Control Message Protocol) :-
Uses for diagnostic and error-reporting Purpose
(e.g., Ping command).
- ARP (Address Resolution Protocol) :-
Resolves IP addresses to MAC (media Access control)
addresses.

4) Network Interface Layer (or Link Layer) :-

- Purpose :-

The Network Interface layer is the lowest layer of the TCP/IP model. It deals with the physical transmission of data over the network medium.

- Functions :-

- Manages the hardware addressing and the protocols for the physical network.
- Handles the framing of data packets for transmission and relection.

- Protocols :-

- Ethernet :- A widely used LAN technology that defines how data packets are formatted and transmitted over wired networking

- Wi-Fi (IEEE 802.11):-

A set of protocols for wireless networking.

- PPP (Point-to-Point Protocol):-

Used for direct connections between two nodes.

- Key features of the TCP/IP model:-

Interoperability :-

The TCP/IP model is designed to allow different types of networks to interoperate, making it a foundational technology for the Internet.

Ques-10- What is a Web Browser (Browser)? Give 26
Some example of browsers.

Ans- A web browser, commonly referred to simply as a "browser," is a software application that enables users to access, retrieve, and view content on the World Wide Web. It translates web pages written in HTML and other web technologies into visual.

⇒ Key functions of a web browser include:

- Rendering web Pages:

Browsers interpret HTML, CSS, and JavaScript to display web content correctly.

- Navigation :- Browsers provide tools like the address bar, back and forward buttons, and bookmarks to help users navigate the web.

- Security :- Browsers implement various security features to protect users from malicious websites and phishing attempts.

- Extensions and Plugins :- ~~most~~ Many browsers support additional features through extensions or plugins, enhancing functionality.

⇒ Examples of Popular Web Browsers:-

- 1) Google Chrome - A widely-used browser known for its speed, simplicity, and extensive library of extensions.
- 2) Mozilla Firefox - An open-source browser that emphasizes privacy and customization with a variety of add-ons.
- 3) Microsoft Edge - The successor to Internet Explorer, Edge is built on the Chromium engine and offers features like integration with Microsoft Services.
- 4) Safari - Developed by Apple, Safari is the default browser for macOS and iOS, known for its energy efficiency and privacy features.
- 5) Opera - A browser that includes built-in ad blocking, a free VPN, and a unique user interface.
- 6) Brave - A privacy-focused browser that blocks ads and trackers by default and offers a unique rewards system for viewing ads.

Ques. 11 - What is a search engine? Give example.

Ans - A search engine is a software system designed to carry out web searches by searching ~~to carry~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ the internet for information based on user queries. It indexes a vast amount of web content and retrieves relevant results to display to users. Search engines use algorithms to determine the relevance and ranking of web pages based on various factors, including keywords, site authority and user engagement.

Example :-

Google is the most widely used search engine. When a user types a query into the Google search bar, the engine processes the request, searches its index for relevant pages, and returns a list of links along with snippets of information, allowing users to find the content they are looking for quickly. Other examples of search engines include Bing, Yahoo, and DuckDuckGo.

Ques 12 - What is a Internet & WWW? what are the uses of Internet in our daily life?

Ans - The Internet is a global network that connects millions of private, public, academic, business, and government networks, allowing for the exchange of data and communications. The World Wide Web (WWW) is a system of interlinked hypertext documents accessed via the internet, enabling users to browse and interact with content through web browsers.

Uses of the Internet in Daily Life.

- Communication :-

Enables instant messaging, video calls, and social media interactions, allowing people to connect with friends and family regardless of distance.

- Education :-

Provides access to online courses, educational resources, and research materials, helping students and learners enhance their knowledge and skills.

- Entertainment :-

Provides access to streaming services, online gaming, and various social media platforms, offering various forms of entertainment and leisure activities.

- E-Commerce :-

Allows consumers to shop online, compare prices, and access a wider range of products and services, enhancing convenience and choice.

- Information Access:-

Serves as a vast repository of information, enabling users to research topics, stay updated on news, and access educational content.

- Government Services :-

Provides access to essential services such as tax filing, voter registration, and social services, streamlining processes and improving accessibility.

The Internet has become an integral part of modern life, enhancing various aspects of daily activities and interactions.

Ques-13- What is an Internet Service Provider? Give some example of ISP in India.

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Ans- An Internet Service Provider (ISP) is a company that offers access to the internet to individuals and businesses. ISPs can provide various services, including broadband, email, web hosting, and more.

In India, some well-known ISPs include:

1. Airtel
2. Jio
3. BSNL (Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited).
4. Reliance jio
5. Vodafone Idea.

These ISPs offer a range of internet services, including fiber-optic broadband, DSL, and mobile Internet options, catering to the diverse needs of consumers across the country.

Ques-14- Discuss the difference between MAC address, IP address and Port address.

Ans- Certainly! MAC addresses, IP addresses, and Port addresses are all essential components of network, but they serve different purposes and operate at different layers of the networking stack. Here's a breakdown of each:

1) MAC Address (Media Access Control Address)-

Definition :- A MAC address is a hardware address that uniquely identifies a device on a local network. It is assigned by the manufacturer and is embedded in the network interface card (NIC).

Format :-

Typically expressed as a 48-bit hexadecimal number (e.g., '00:1A:2B:3C:4D:5E').

Layer :- operates at the Data Link layer (Layer 2) of the OSI model.

Scope :- MAC addresses are used within a local network segment (e.g., Ethernet Wi-Fi). They are not routable on the internet.

Function :- Facilitates communication between devices on the same local network. Switches use MAC addresses to forward data to the correct

2) IP Address (Internet Protocol Address)-

- Definition :- An IP address is a numerical label assigned to each device connected to a computer network that uses the Internet Protocol for communication. It serves two main functions: identifying the host or network interface and providing the location of the device in the network.
- Format :- IPv4 : A 32-bit number represented in ~~hexadecimal format~~, divided into eight groups decimal format as four octets (e.g., 192.168.1.1).
- IPv6 :- A 128-bit number represented in hexadecimal format, divided into eight groups.
(e.g., '2001:0db8:85a3:0000:0000:8a2e:0370:7334')
- Layer :- operates at the network layer (Layer 3) of the OSI model.
- Scope :- IP addresses are routable and can be used to identify devices across different networks, including the internet.
- Function :- Used for routing data between devices across networks. Routers use IP addresses to determine the best path for data packets.

3) Port Address (Port Number)

- Definition :-

A Port address, or port number, is a numerical identifier in the Transport layer of the OSI model that is used to distinguish between different services or applications running on a device.

- Format :- A 16-bit number, ranging from 0 to 65535 (e.g., '80' for HTTP, '443' for HTTPS).

- Layer :- Operates at the Transport layer (Layer 4) of the OSI model.

- Scope :- Port numbers are used in conjunction with IP addresses to direct traffic to specific applications or services on a device.

- Function :-

Helps in managing multiple network services on a single device. For example, a web server might listen on Port 80 for HTTP traffic and Port 443 for HTTPS traffic.

Ques-15- How do we view my Internet browser history?

Ans- To view your Internet browser history, the steps can vary depending on the browser you are using. Here's a general for some popular browsers.

1. Google Chrome :-

Click the three dots in the top right corner, select "History", and then click "History" again to see your full browsing history. You can also use the shortcut 'Ctrl + H' (Windows) or 'Command + Y' (Mac) to access it directly. To delete specific items, hover over the entry and click the "X" that appears, or select multiple items and click "Delete".

2. Mozilla Firefox :-

Click the three horizontal lines in the top right corner, select "Library" then "History", and choose "Show All History". You can also use the shortcut 'Ctrl + H' (Windows) or 'Command + Shift + H' (Mac). To delete items, right-click on the entry and select "Delete Page".

3. Microsoft Edge :-

Click the three dots in the top right corner, select "History" and then click "Manage history". You can also use the shortcut 'ctr + H'. To delete specific sites, right-click on the entry and select "Delete".

4. Safari :-

Click "History" in the menu bar, then select "Show All History". You can also use the shortcut 'Command + Y'. To delete items, right-click on the entry and select "Delete".

5. Internet Explorer :-

Click the favorites button, select the History tab, and choose how you want to view your history. To delete specific sites, right-click on the entry and select "Delete". You can also access the browsing history by selecting the Tools button, Pointing to Safety, and then selecting "Delete" browsing history.

Note :- Regularly managing your browsing history can help protect your privacy, especially on shared or public computers.