

# Networking Basics

## 03 - The Internet Protocol (IP)

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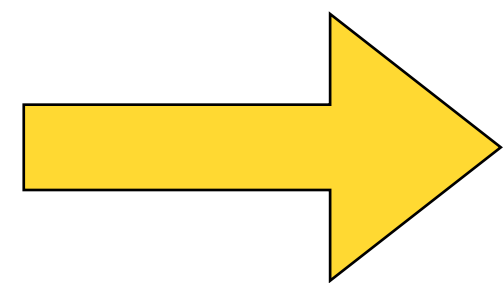
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# Networking Basics

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01 - Networks, Packets, and Protocols

02 - Ethernet, 02a - VLANs



**03 - The Internet Protocol (IP)**

03a - IP addresses, prefixes, and routing

03b - Global IP routing

04a - UDP, 04b - TCP, 04c - ICMP

05 - Uni-, Broad-, Multi-, and Anycast

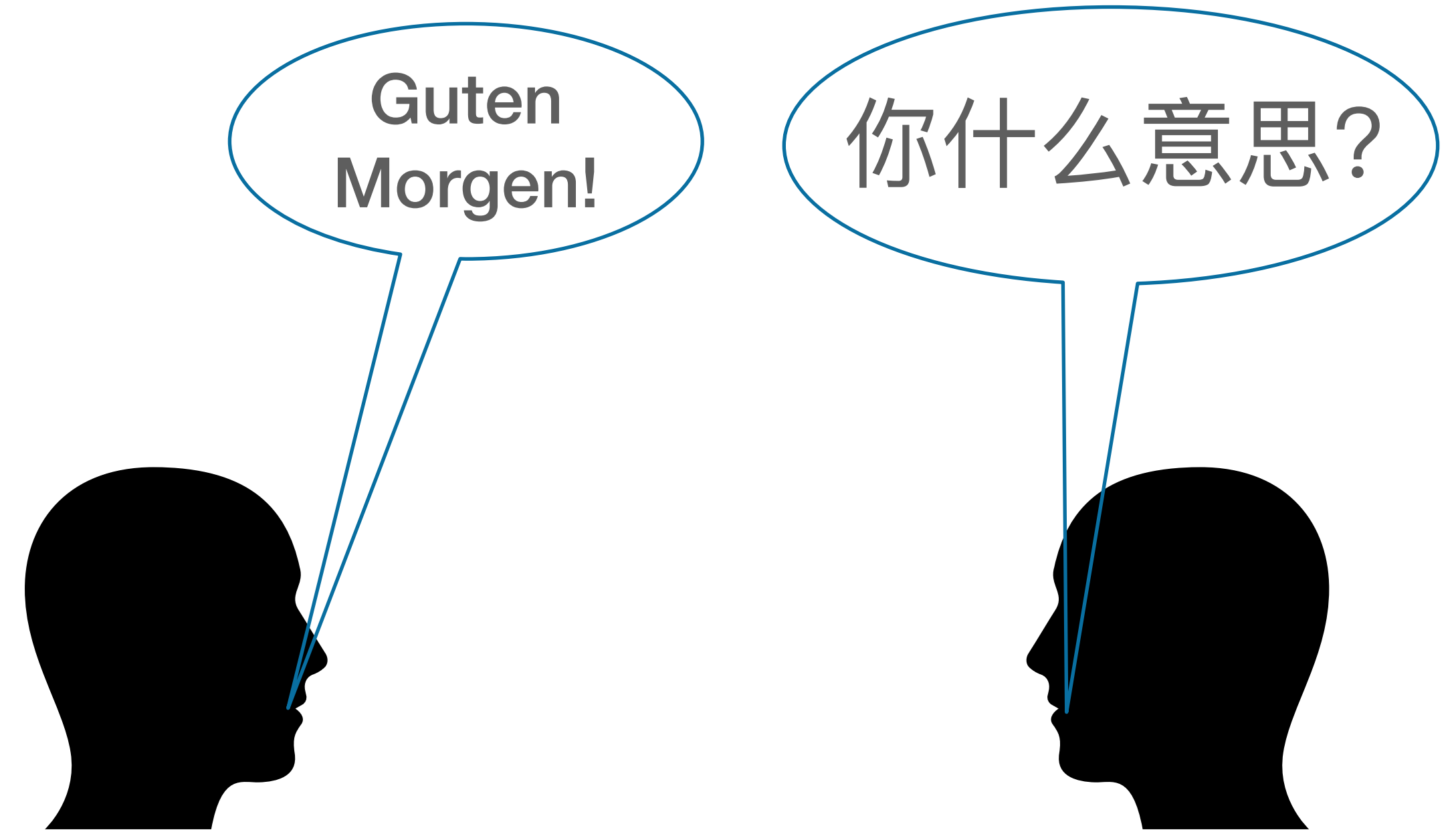
06a - Domain Name System (DNS)



# Protocol

# What is a "Protocol"?

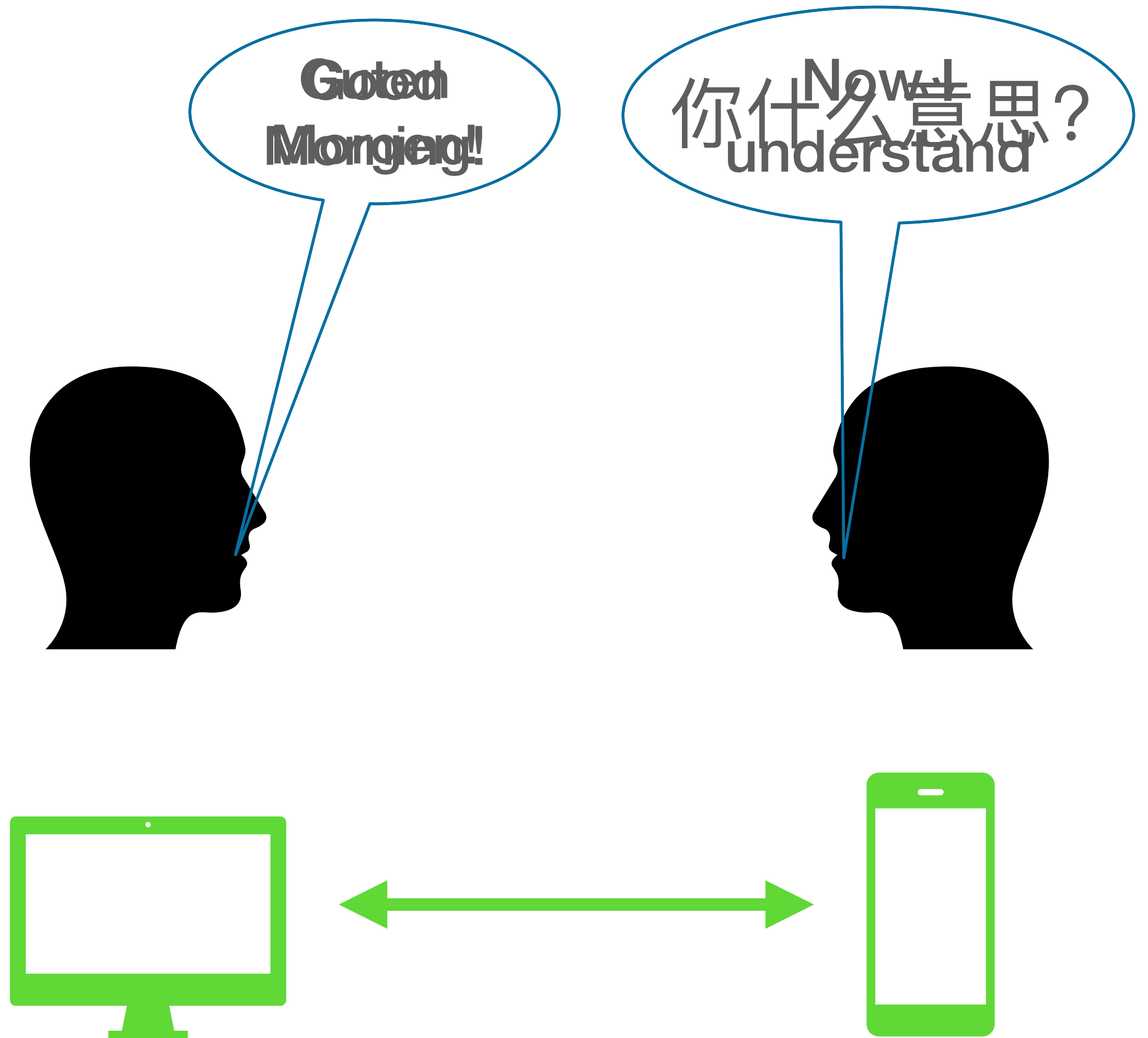
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PS: I used Google Translate. Hope it says "I do not understand"

# What is a "Protocol"?

- If you want to communicate, you need to speak a common language
- Otherwise you will not understand each other
- The same is true for computers or other network devices



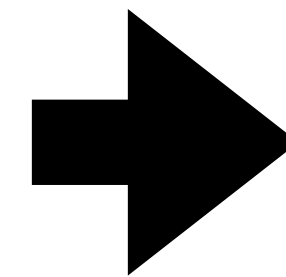
# Protocol Stack

Multiple protocols building on each other

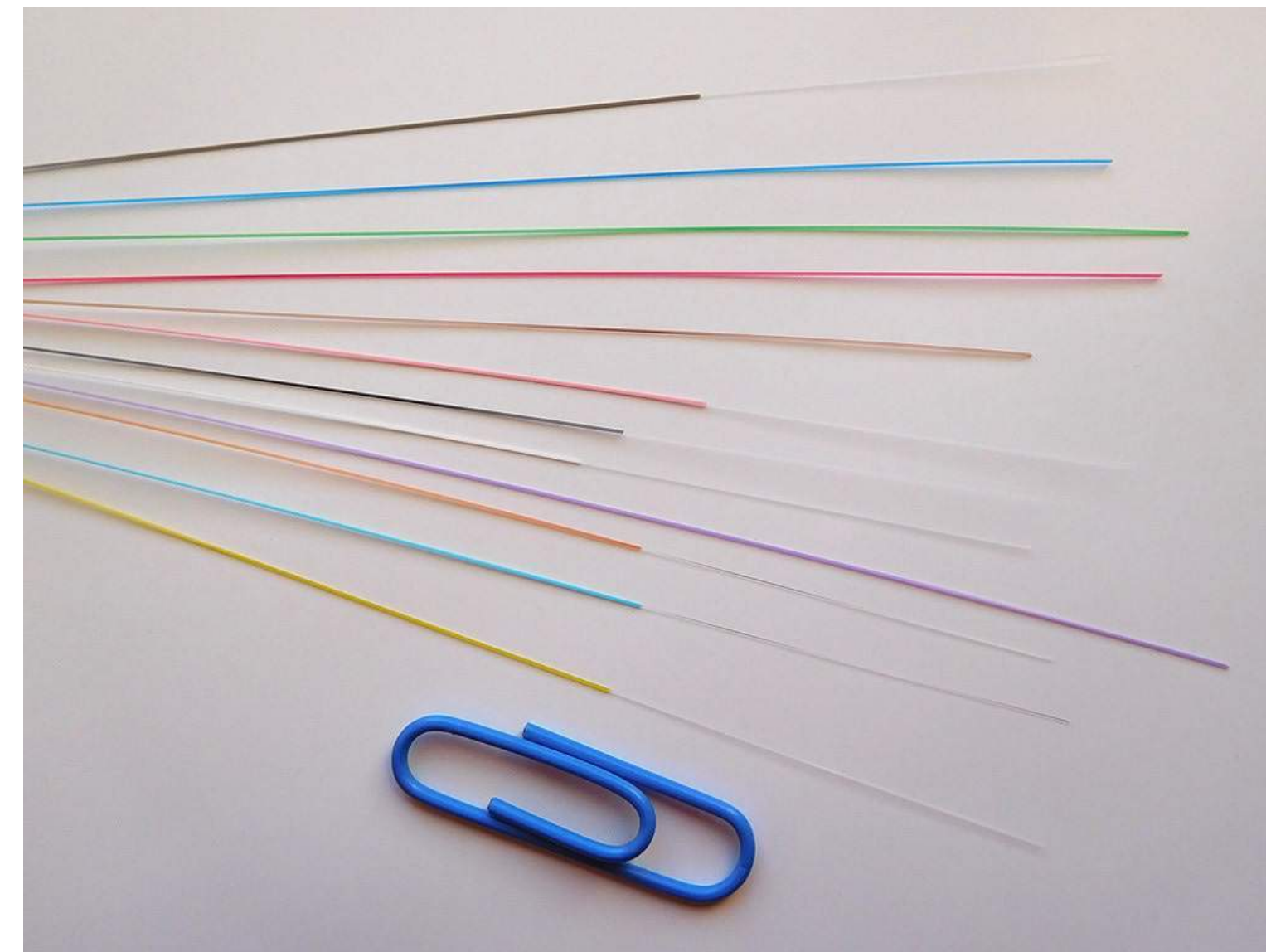
# Internet Model

## Physical Layer

- Light pulses and electrical signals
- Lasers and fibres
- Electrical cables



Layer	Name
5	Application
4	Transport
3	Internet
2	Link
1	Physical



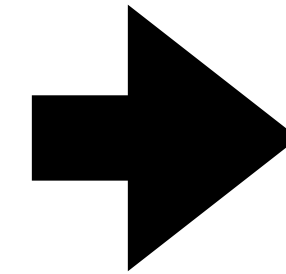
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# Internet Model

## Link Layer

- Data units are called "Frames"
- Provides hop-to-hop (node-to-node) data transfer
- Examples:
  - Ethernet



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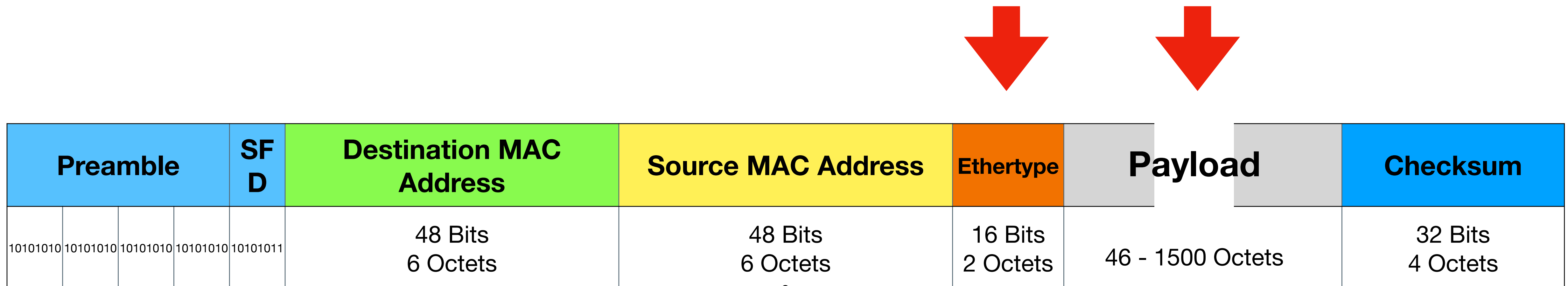
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# Ethernet

## Frame Structure

- EtherType
- Payload



# Ethernet

## Frame Structure



# Encapsulation

## Packets inside packets

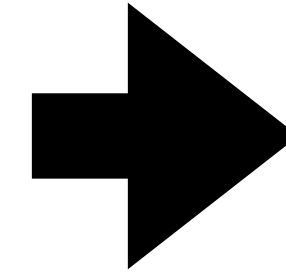
- The payload of Ethernet is IP
- Encapsulation is like Russian dolls
- So we have an IP packet inside an Ethernet frame



# Internet Model

## IP / Internet Layer

- Data units are called "Packets"
- Provides source to destination (end-to-end) transport
- Needs addresses for entities
- Examples:
  - IPv4
  - IPv6



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# IP - Version 4 (IPv4)

## Header + Payload

Ethernet Payload	
IPv4 Header	IP Payload
20-60 Bytes	1440-1480 Bytes

# IPv4 Header

## Some parts to point out

- Starts with version and length
- Total length of packet
- Important: Time to live (TTL)
- Protocol: Type of payload
- Source / Destination address 32 bits
- Options (optional)

Byte	0	1	2	3
0	Version   Header Length always 4   5..15		DSCP / ECN	
			Total Length 20..65535	
4	Identification		Flags / Fragment Offset	
8	Time To Live	Protocol	Header Checksum	
12	Source IPv4 Address			
16	Destination IPv4 Address			
20	Optional (if HeaderLength > 5)			
24				
28				
32				



# IP - Version 6 (IPv6)

## Header + Payload

Ethernet Payload	
IPv6 Fixed*) Header	IP Payload
40 Bytes	1460 Bytes

# IPv6 Header

## Looks less complicated!

- Starts with version and some labels
- Payload length in bytes (0-65535)
- Next Header - you can chain more headers
  - replaces protocol field
- Hop Limit replaces TTL
- Addresses are now 128bits

Byte	0	1	2	3
0	Version = 6 / Traffic Class / Flow Label			
4	Payload Length in bytes		Next Header	Hop Limit
8	Source IPv6 Address			
12				
16				
20				
24				
28	Destination IPv6 Address			
32				
36				
40				



# IP Addresses - IPv4

# IP Addresses

## IPv4

192.0.2.123

- 32 bit in length
- you might have heard of Class-~~A~~, -~~B~~, -~~C~~ addresses
- there is no such thing anymore!
  - since 1993!
- all usable IP addresses are equal
- more about this in another

1100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0010 0111 1011  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 25 27 28 29 30 31 32



# IP Addresses

## IPv4

192.0.2.123

- 32 bit in length
  - 4.294.967.296 possible addresses
- written as 4 decimal numbers separated by dots "."
- some addresses are reserved / not usable
- all usable IPv4 addresses have been assigned to users

1100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0010 0111 1011  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 25 27 28 29 30 31 32

**IPv6!**

Development started: 1994

First published: 1995



# IP Addresses - IPv6

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## IPv6

2001:db8:274f:400:226:b0ff:fed8:3d8a

0 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0a 0b 0c 0d 0e 0f 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 1a 1b 1c 1d 1e 1f 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 2a 2b 2c 2d 2e 2f 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 3a 3b 3c 3d 3e 3f 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 4a 4b 4c 4d 4e 4f 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 5a 5b 5c 5d 5e 5f 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 6a 6b 6c 6d 6e 6f 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 7a 7b 7c 7d 7e 7f

- 128 bit in length - possible addresses:  
340282366920938463463374607431768211456
- there are lots of IPv6 addresses available
- written as hexadecimal numbers separated by colons ":"
  - double-colon "::" means fill up with zeros here
- some addresses are reserved / not usable

2001:db8::1

2001:db8:0:0:0:0:0:1

2001:0db8:0000:0000:0000:0000:0000:1



# Internet Protocol

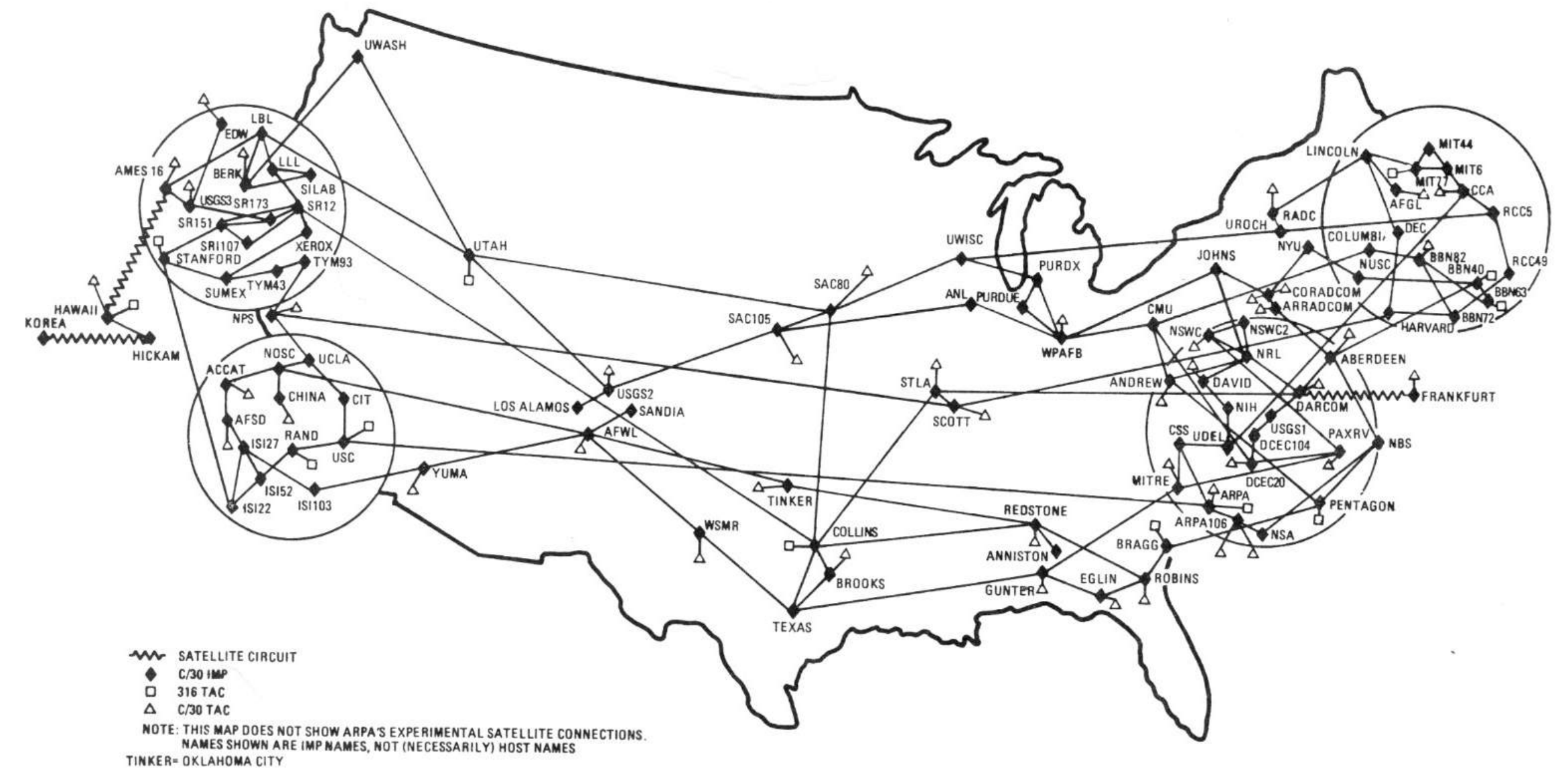
How did it all start?

# History of IP

It started in the 60s

- To debunk a myth:
  - It was not invented to survive a nuclear war!
- But it was funded by DARPA - a military research agency
- To connect research facilities to share (computing) resources

ARPANET/MILNET GEOGRAPHIC MAP, APRIL 1984



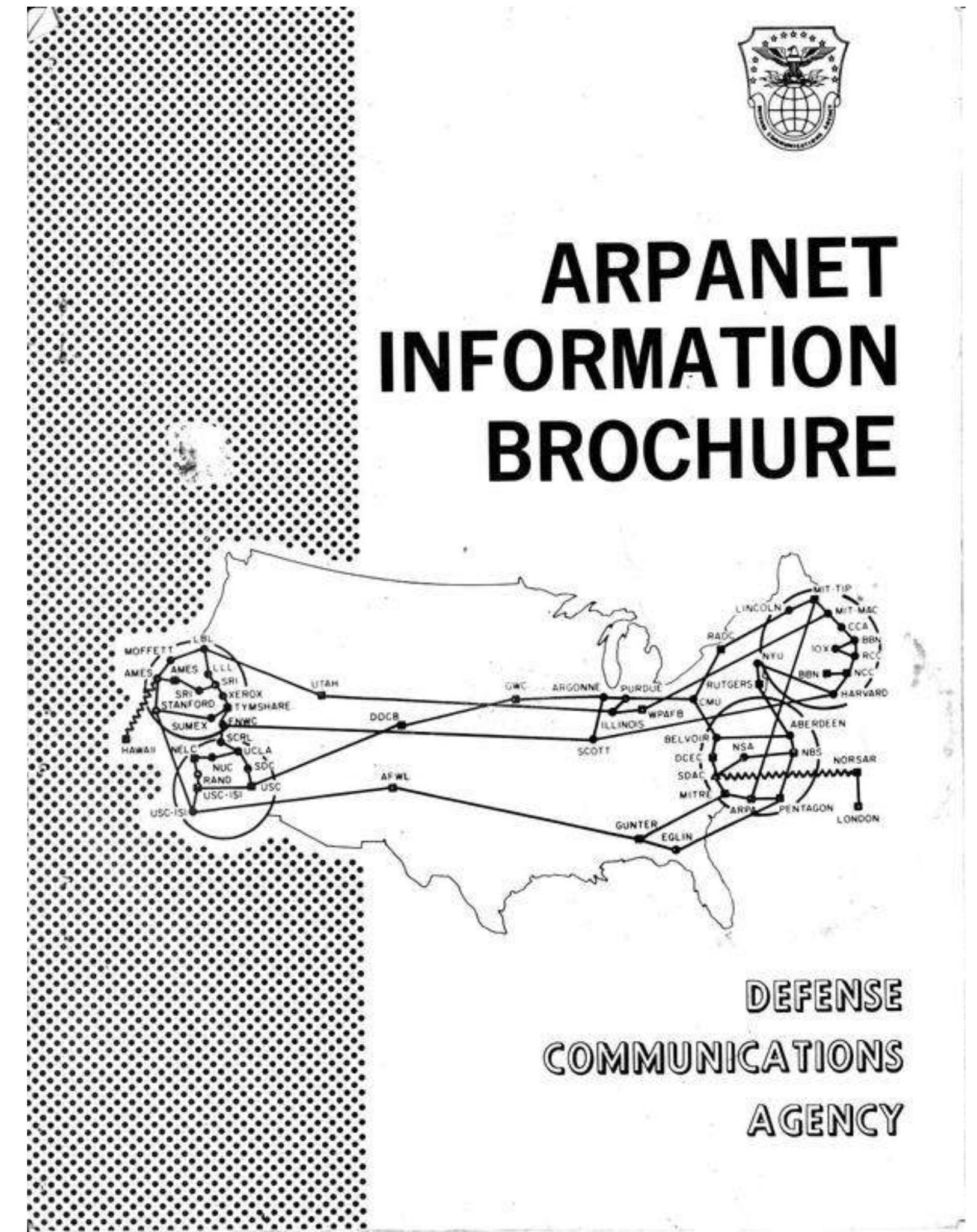
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# Timeline

## Some days in the early history of IP

- 1961 - concept of packet switching network
- 1967 - Plan for "ARPAnet"
- 1969 - first ARPAnet node, first **RFC** published
- 1972 - first public demonstration of ARPAnet
- 1974 - TCP/IP protocol described, "Internet" first used
- 1983 - ARPAnet switches from NCP to TCP/IP



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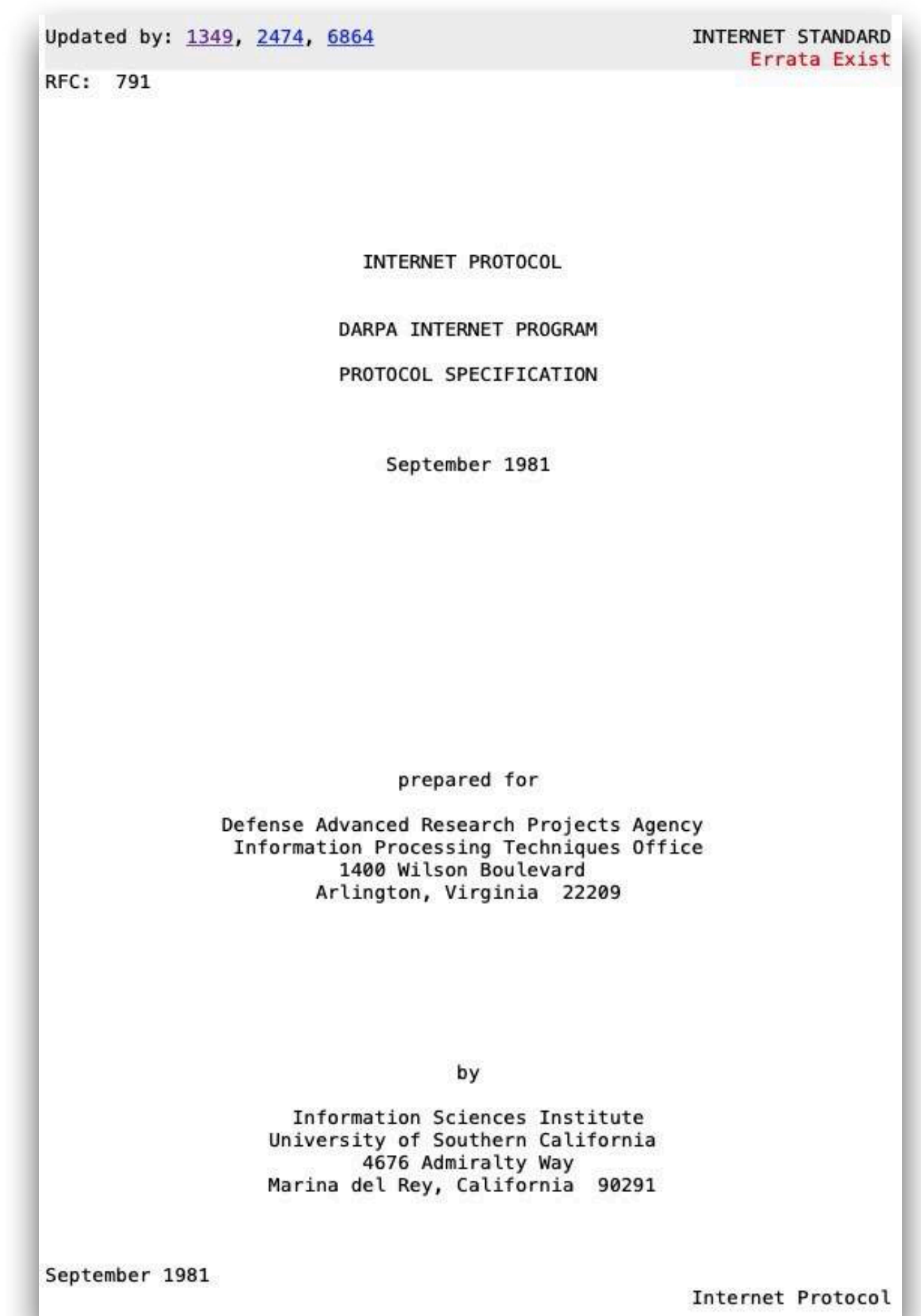
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# Why was IP so successful?

## The role of documentation

- There were other, competing protocols
  - Do you remember BITnet, DECnet? OSI?
  - Either vendor-proprietary or just theory
- IP Protocols were evolving more quickly
- Everything was open - and still is
  - 1969 - first Request for comments (**RFC**) published
  - Memos, best practices, standards - published as RFC
- Today: Well established and open standard for publishing



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# Conclusion

# Things you should remember

## The IP Protocol(s)

- Internet Protocol (IP) takes care of **end-to-end** communication
- **IPv4** and **IPv6** coexist
- IP packets consist of **header** and **payload**
- **IPv4** and **IPv6** headers are different
  - But both contain source- and destination **addresses**
  - IPv4 addresses are 32 bit long, IPv6 addresses are 128 bit long
- **Payload** can yet be **another protocol**



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- Ethernet - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ethernet>
- Internet protocol - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet\\_Protocol](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet_Protocol)
- Protocol stack - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Protocol\\_stack](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Protocol_stack)
- IP Network Model: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet\\_protocol\\_suite](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet_protocol_suite)
- IP Version Numbers <https://www.iana.org/assignments/version-numbers/version-numbers.xhtml#version-numbers-1>
- IPv4
  - IPv4 - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv4>
  - IPv4 address exhaustion - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv4\\_address\\_exhaustion](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv4_address_exhaustion)
  - Map of IPv4 addresses in [2006](#), [2011](#)
- IPv6
  - IPv6 itself - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv6>
  - IPv6 header - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv6\\_packet](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv6_packet)
  - IPv6 addresses - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv6\\_address](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPv6_address)
  - First standard: [RFC1884](#), current standard: [RFC8200](#)
- History of Internet and IP
  - Internet Hall of Fame - <https://internethalloffame.org>
  - Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) - <https://www.darpa.mil>
  - ARPANET - <https://www.darpa.mil/about-us/timeline/arpamet>
  - The "Protocol Wars" - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Protocol\\_Wars](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Protocol_Wars)



# Internet RFCs (Standards)

- There are too many RFCs dealing with IPv4 and IPv6 to be listed here
- Just go to <https://tools.ietf.org/html/> and use the search field
- How does something become RFC? <https://www.rfc-editor.org/pubprocess/>
- The [IETF](#) - Internet Engineering Task Force

