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Computer Networks

Internet

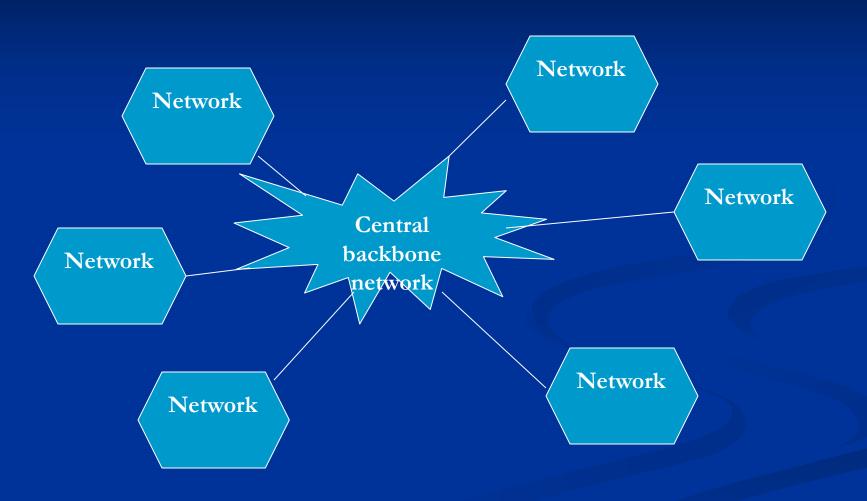
Outline of the talk

- Various Aspects of internet
- Way it has evolved
- Way it has incorporated different technologies and applications under single umbrella making it the most popularly used infrastructure in terms of information exchange and communication.

What is Internet

- The network formed by the co-operative interconnection of a large number of computer networks.
 - Network of networks
 - No one owns the internet. (No single owner)
 - Every person who makes a connection owns a slice of internet.
 - There is no central administration to the internet.

Logical picture of Internet



So what is it actually?

- A community of people.
 - who use and develop the networks.
- A collection of resources.
 - that can be reached from those networks.
- A setup to facilitate collaboration. (messaging facilities, Blogs, discussion forums etc)
 - among members of the research and educational communities, world-wide.
- The connected networks use the TCP/IP protocol.

Key Milestones in Evolution

- 1950's
 - ARPA(Advance Research Projects Agency)
- 1970's
 - ARPANET creates standard ancestor to Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)
- **1971 (ARPANET felt)**
 - Universities added to network.
 - Telnet and FTP are available.
- **1972**
 - First electronic mail message sent.

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- **1973**
 - ARPANET connected to England and Norway.
- **1974**-
 - TCP starts being used for communicating across a system of networks.
- **1982**-
 - US DoD starts building defense data networks based on ARPANET technology.
- **1983**-
 - ARPANET splits into ARPANET and MILNET. (Military Network)

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- **1983**
 - Internet now in place.
 - **TCP/IP** standardized.
- **1986-**
 - National Science Foundation (NSF) implements NSFNET; (objective was to create a strong backbone network which binds regional n/w) a system of regional network of routers connected over a backbone network.
- **1991-**
 - Archie(FTP Search engine) and Gopher (more intelligent version of Archie, based on categories covers FTP sites and non-FTP sites) released.

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- **1992**-
 - Internet links more than 17,000 networks in 33 countries' 3 million hosts.
- **1993**-
 - World Wide Web is launched.
- **1995**-
 - Interconnected network service providers start offering service.
- **1995**-
 - About 30 million users.

Important Internet Applications

- Telnet
- File Transfer Protocol (FTP)
- Electronic Mail (Email)
- Gopher
- Internet Relay Chat (IRC)
- Usenet News
- World Wide Web (WWW)