

Introducing:  
Free/Open Source Software  
Distributed Systems  
Real Time Systems  
and Multimedia Systems

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# Topics

- Free/Open Source Software
- Distributed Systems
- Real Time Systems
- Multimedia Systems

# Topic #1

## Free/Open Source Software

- **Topic #1: Free/Open Source Software**
- Topic #2: Distributed Systems
- Topic #3: Real Time Systems
- Topic #4: Multimedia Systems

# Sub-Agenda

- Introduction
- License
- Free Software
- Open Source Software
- Free Software vs. Open Source Software
- Popular F/OSS Licenses
- Success Stories

# Guess: are these following free?

- Microsoft Windows
- Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Mozilla Firefox
- GNU/Linux
- LibreOffice
- Public Domain
- Shareware
- Freeware

# Is it Free Software IF you can:

- use for non-commercial usage only.
- download it from the internet for free.
- have the source code of the software
- charge a fee to development
- charge a fee to distribute
- use it for illegal activities



# License

- A license agreement is needed for using a software (do-s and don't-s):
  - Can you use it?
  - Can you copy and redistribute it?
  - Can you modify it?
  - Can you transfer the license?
  - Is it viral? - allows derivative works only when licensed identically to the original

# Free Software

- about liberty
- FREE like in "free speech"
- not like FREE in "free gift"

A matter of the users' freedom to **run, copy, distribute, study, change** and **improve** the software.

# Four Essential Freedoms

- 0) To run the program, for any purpose.
- 1) To study how the program works, and adapt it to your needs (needs source code).
- 2) To redistribute copies/ help neighbor.
- 3) To improve the program, and release the improvements to the public, so that the whole community benefits (needs source code).

# The Open Source Definition (1)

- Free Redistribution
- Source Code
- Derived Works
- Integrity of The Author's Source Code
- No Discrimination Against Persons or Groups

# The Open Source Definition (2)

- No Discrimination Against Fields of Endeavor
- Distribution of License
- License Must Not Be Specific to a Product
- License Must Not Restrict Other Software
- License Must Be Technology-Neutral

# Free = Open Source ?

- "All religions are one!?"
- Free Software (FSF, 1985)
  - four-point definition
- Open Source Software (OSI, 1998)
  - ten-point definition
- guarantee a certain set of freedoms.
- but, different words convey different ideas

# Free Software vs. Open Source

- Open Source Software
  - a development methodology
  - non-free software is a sub-optimal solution.
- Free Software: a social movement
  - non-free software is a social problem
  - Free software is the solution!

# Popular F/OSS Licenses

- Apache License 2.0
- BSD 3-Clause "New" or "Revised" license
- Common Development and Distribution License
- GNU General Public License (GPL)
- MIT license
- GNU Library or "Lesser" General Public License (LGPL)
- Microsoft Public License
- Mozilla Public License 2.0
- Nokia Open Source License
- PHP License 3.0



# Success Stories (1)

- Red Hat
  - Founded in 1993
  - Product: Red Hat Enterprise Linux
  - F/OSS for the enterprise community
  - The Fedora Project sponsor
  - the first one-billion dollar FOSS company (2012)
  - Minority owners: Intel, Netscape (Mozilla), HP, IBM, Dell, Novell.

# Success Stories (2)

- Ubuntu Linux/Canonical Ltd.
  - Founded in 2004
  - A fork of Debian with a “6 months release cycle”
  - Most popular Linux Distribution for desktop/laptop
  - A distribution for laymen
  - A US\$ 30 million company (2009)

# End of Topic #1

## Free/Open Source Software

# Topic #2

## Distributed Systems

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- Topic #4: Multimedia Systems

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- Definition
- Issues
- Distributed Operating Systems
- Network Model
- Robustness
- Design Issues
- Consolidation

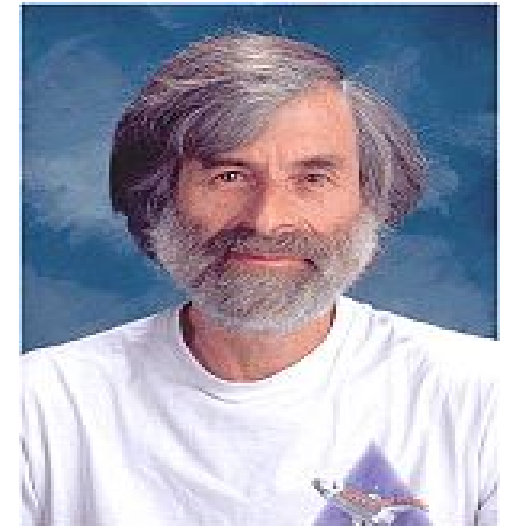
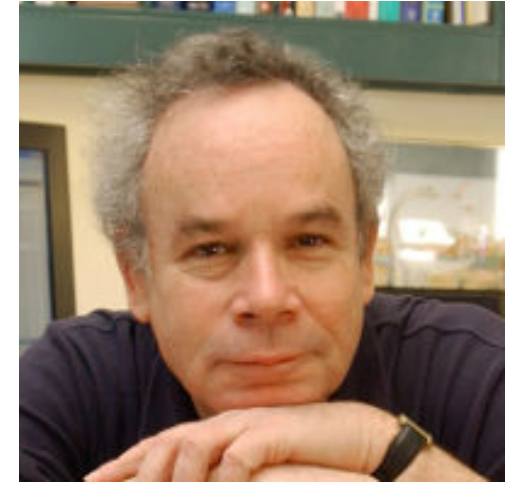
# A Distributed System is

collection of loosely coupled processors interconnected by a communications network

– Silberschatz et. al.

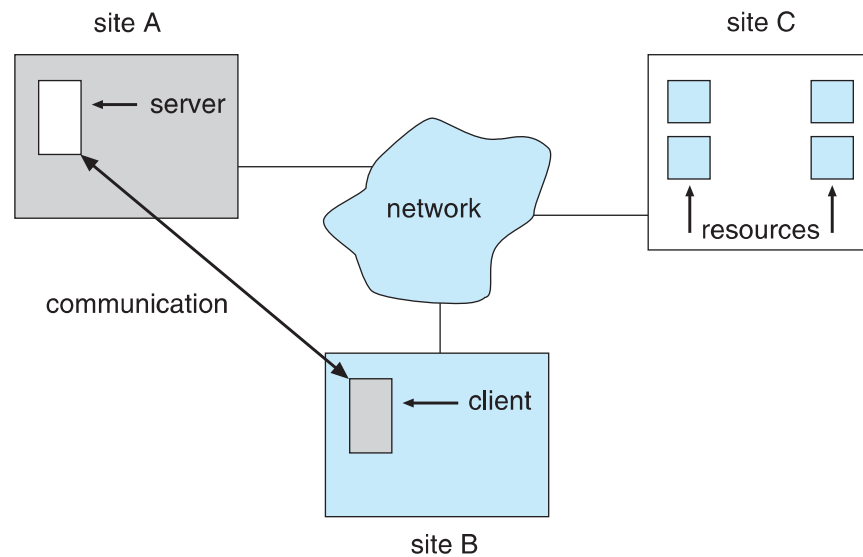
one in which the failure of a computer you didn't even know existed can render your own computer unusable.

– Leslie Lamport.

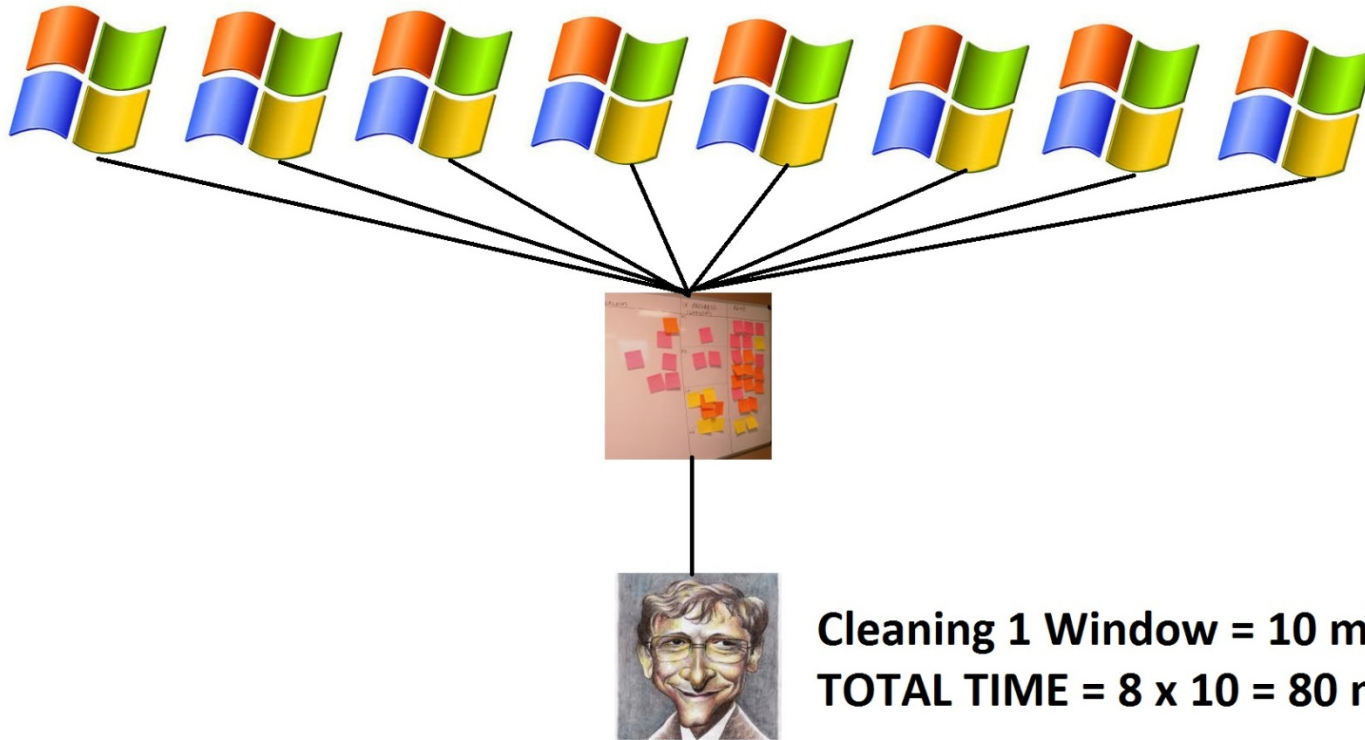


# A Distributed System is

- a set of **nodes**, connected by a **network**, which appear to its users as **a single coherent system**. – Haridi
- Clients & Servers

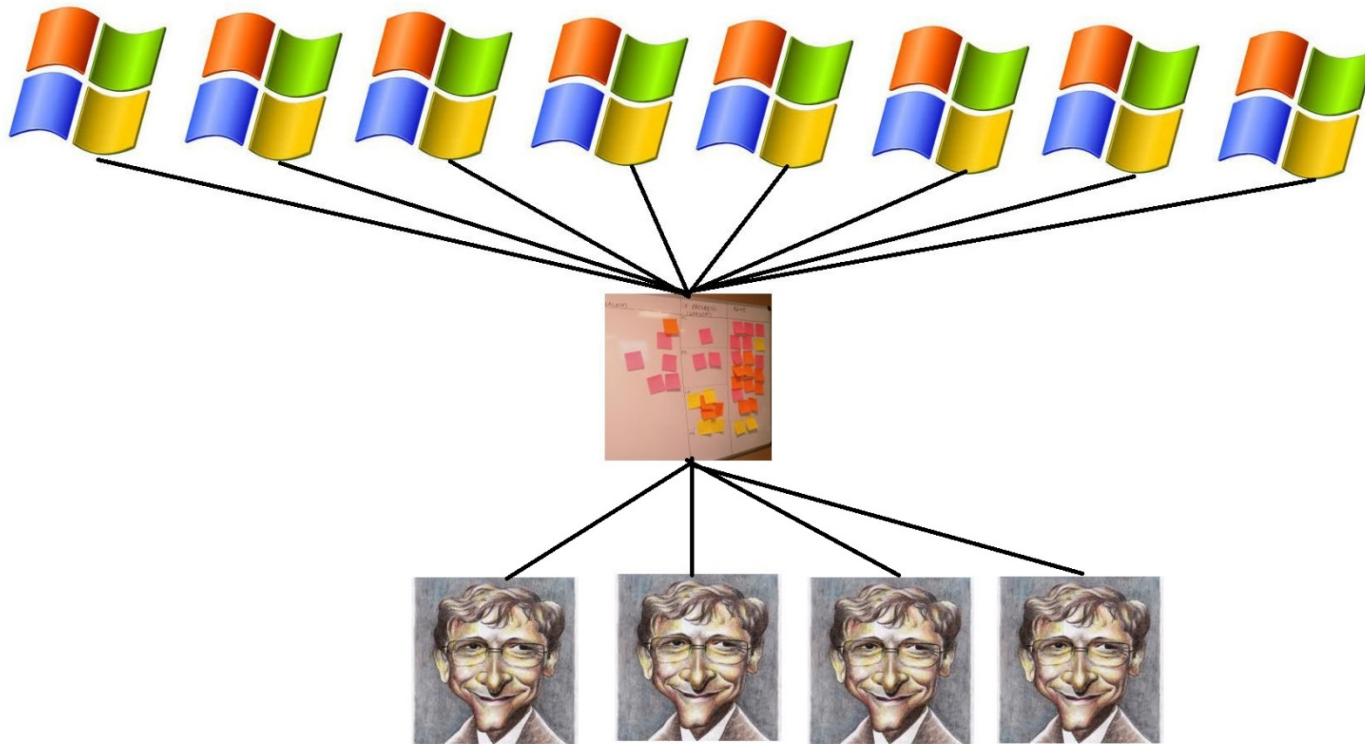


# Cleaning 8 Windows





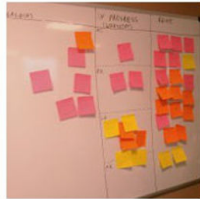
# Cleaning By 4



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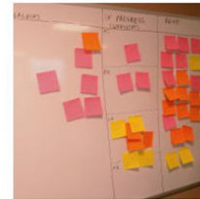
# How about this?

**1024**



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**2048**

**10 minutes?**

**5 minutes?**

# Why Distributed Systems?

- Resource Sharing
  - Most everything is now connected
- Computation Speedup
  - Spreading the load
- Reliability
  - One is down, others can take over
- Communication

# Central vs. Distributed

- SLA
- “Reliable”
- Homogeneous
- Trusted
- Cost=Money
- Untrusted systems
- Unstable
- Heterogeneous
- Distrusted
- Cost=Time

# Issues

- Improve Scalability
  - Concurrency: web/mail server
- Reliability
  - Tandem System
- Inherent Distribution
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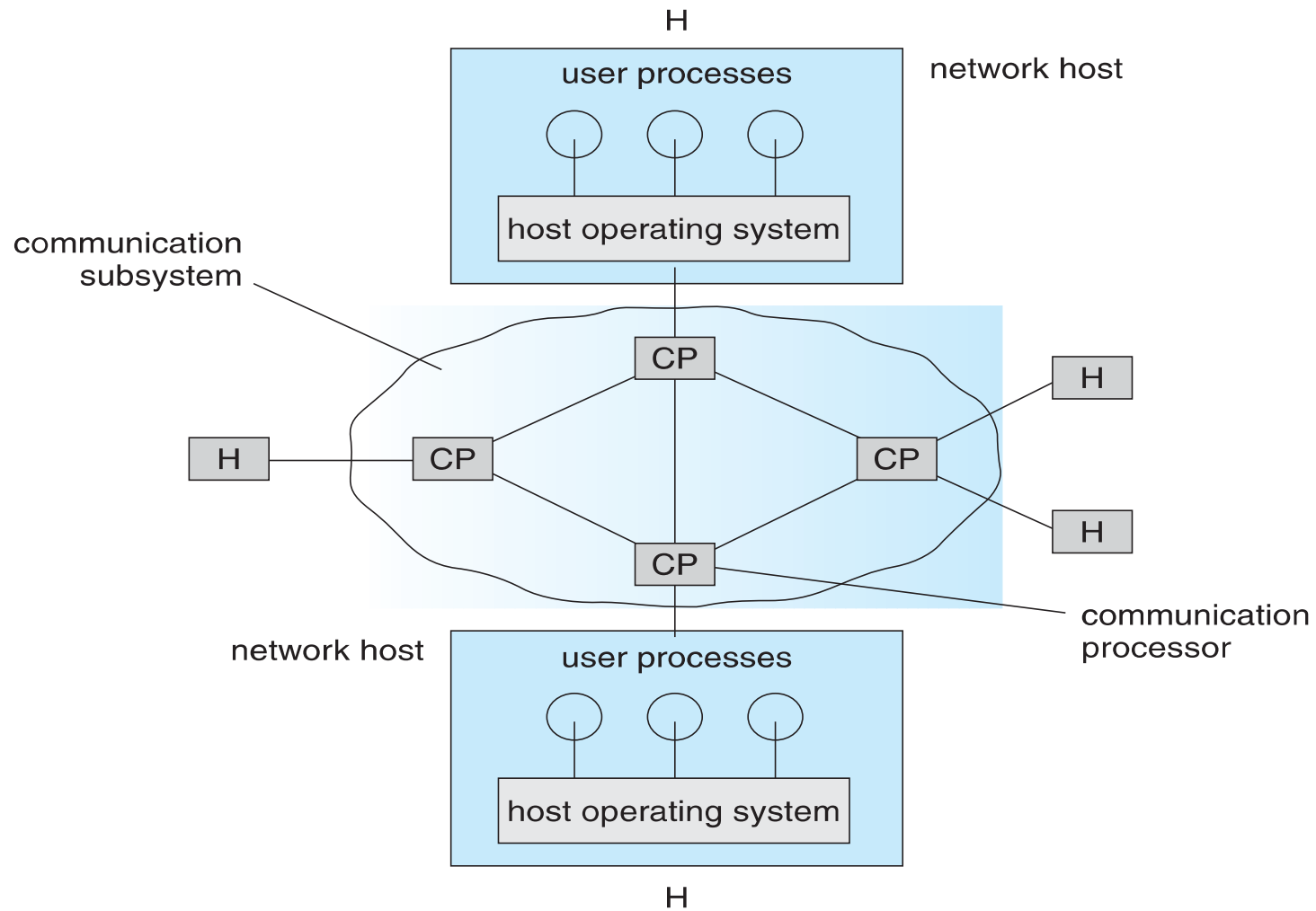
# Types of Distributed OS

- Network Operating Systems
  - Users are aware of multiplicity of machines (more difficult)
- Distributed Operating Systems
  - Users are not aware of multiplicity of machines

# Distributed Operating Systems

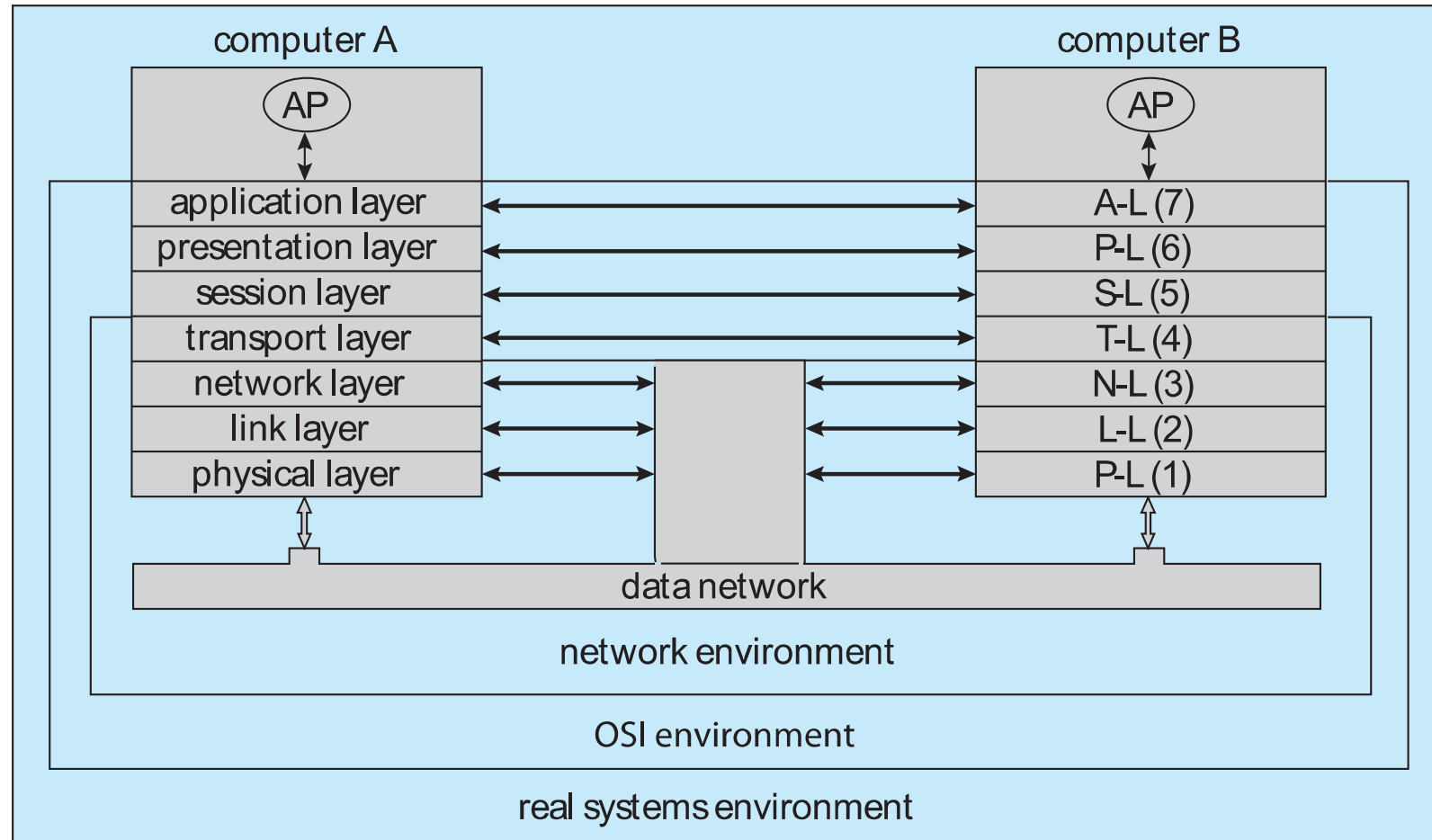
- Data Migration
- Computation Migration
- Process Migration
  - Load balancing
  - Computation speedup
  - HW/SW preferences
  - Remote Data Access

# Wide Area Network

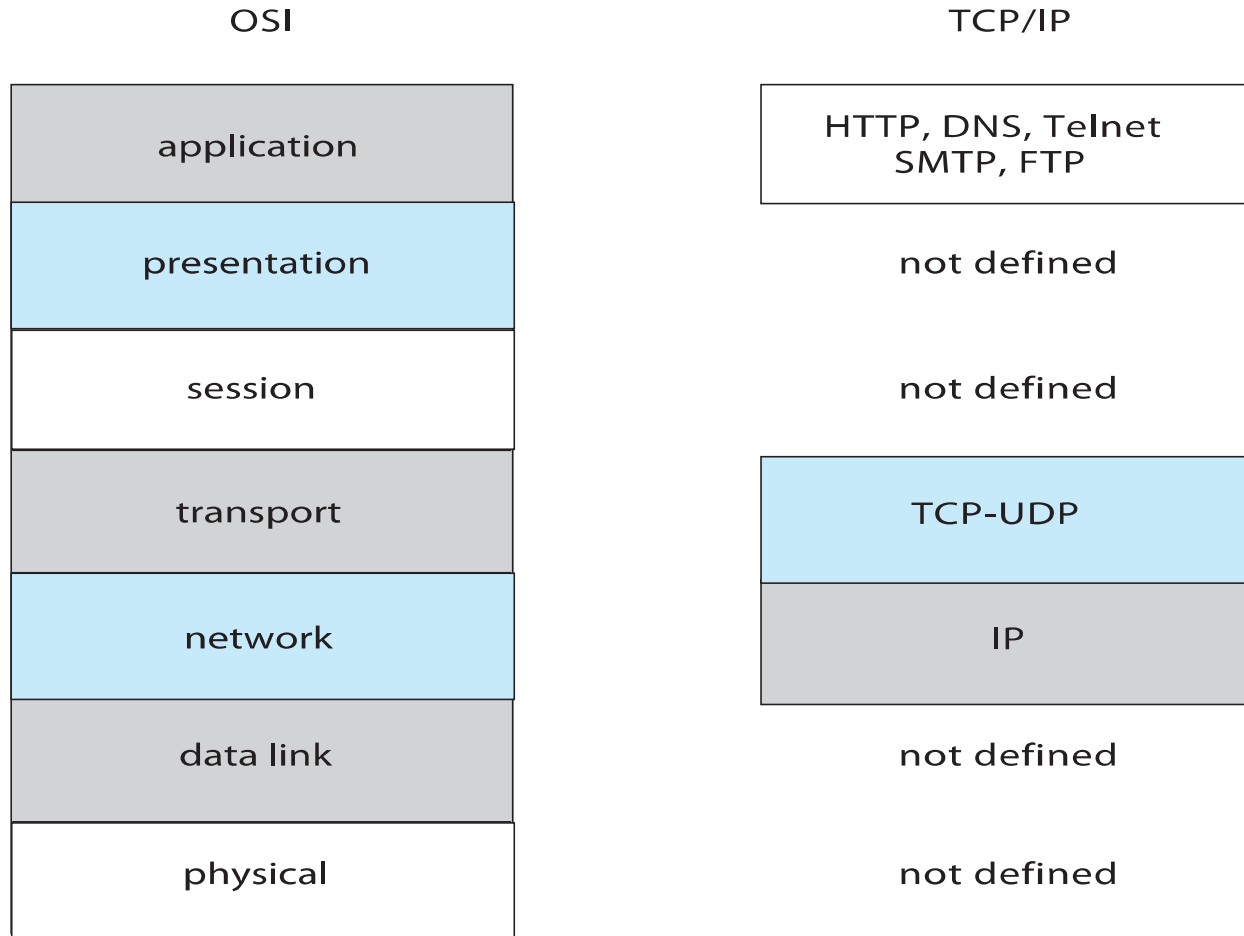




# ISO Network Model



# TCP/IP vs OSI ISO model



# Robustness

- Failure Detection
  - Heatbeat protocol: I am UP/Are you UP?
  - Failure Types: host, link, loss
- Reconfiguration
  - Notify host/link/loss failure
  - Reconfigure to avoid host/link/loss

# The Two Generals' Problem

- How can G1 synchronize with G2?
- How can G1 be sure that G2 has received the message?
- How can G2 be sure that G1 knows that G2 has received the message?

**GENERAL #1**

**ENEMY**

**GENERAL #2**

# Design Issue

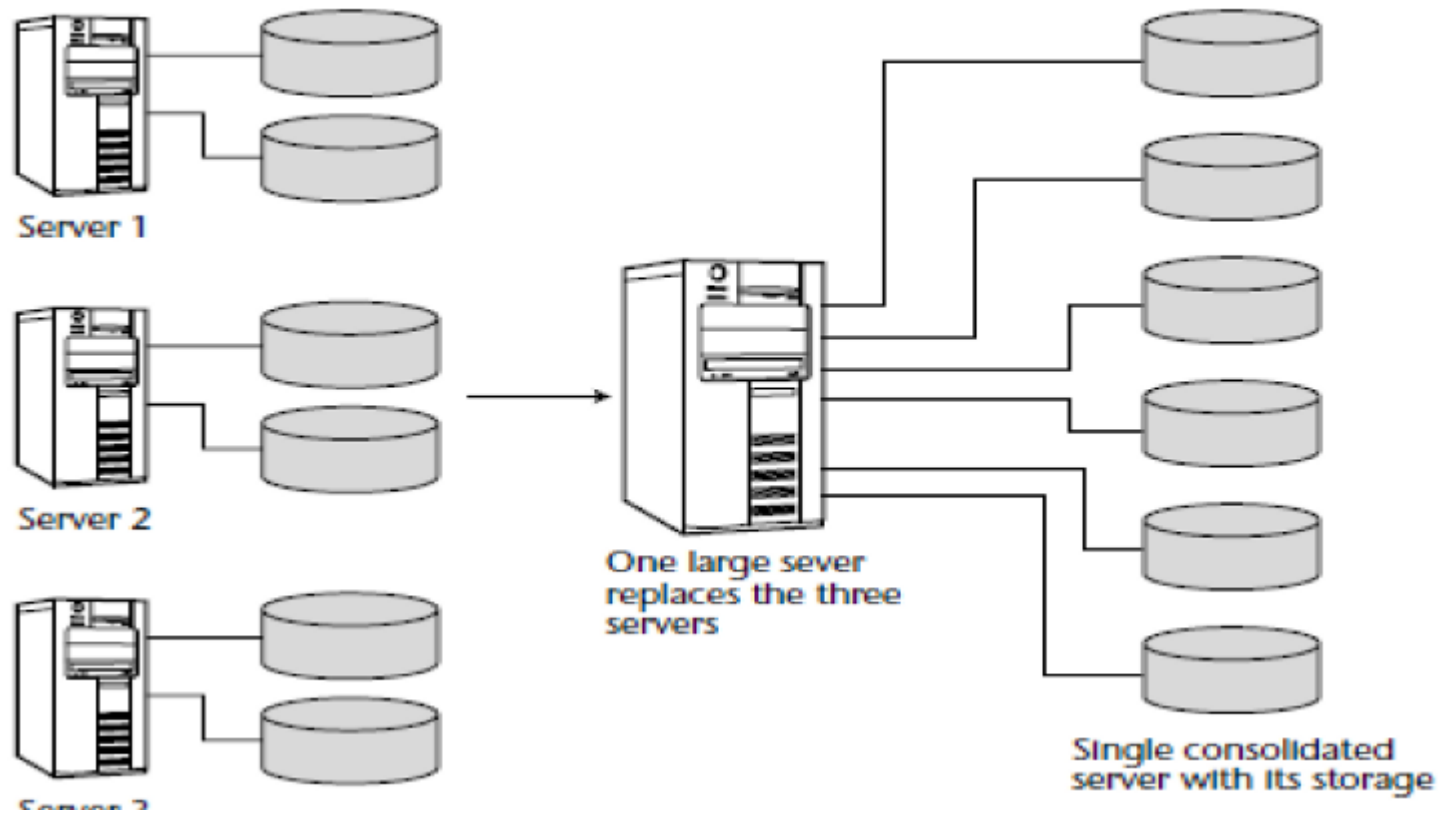
- **Transparency** – the distributed system should appear as a conventional, centralized system to the user
- **Fault tolerance** – the distributed system should continue to function in the face of failure
- **Scalability** – as demands increase, the system should easily accept the addition of new resources to accommodate the increased demand
  - Consider Hadoop open source programming framework for processing large datasets in distributed environments (based on Google search indexing)
- **Clusters** – a collection of semi-autonomous machines that acts as a single system

# Consistency

- Is locally cached copy of the data consistent with the master copy?
- **Client-initiated approach**
  - Client initiates a validity check
  - Server checks whether the local data are consistent with the master copy
- **Server-initiated approach**
  - Server records, for each client, the (parts of) files it caches
  - When server detects a potential inconsistency, it must react

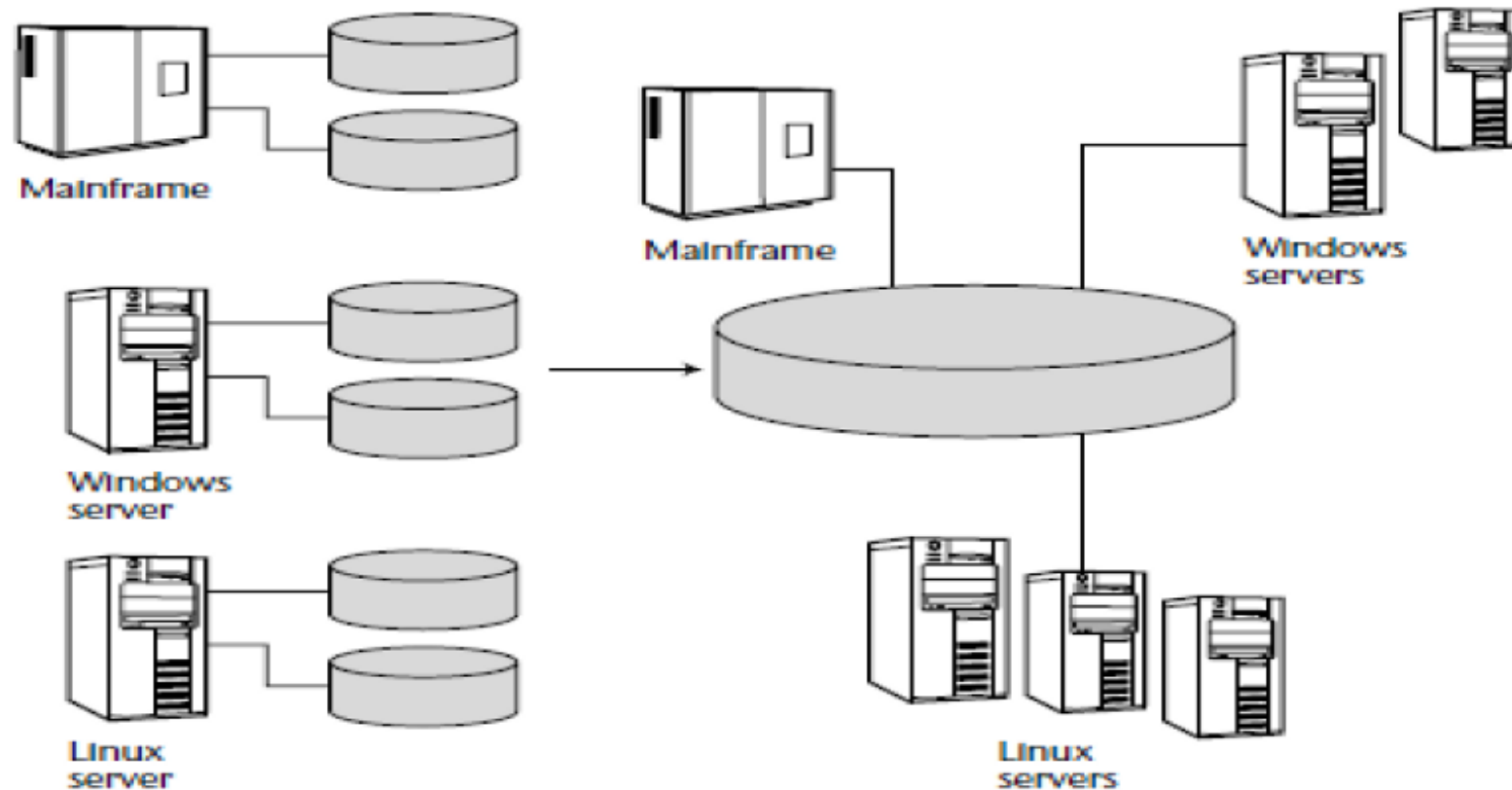
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Storage consolidation by consolidating servers



# Data Center Consolidation (2)

Various servers linked to a single storage subsystem



Storage Islands with servers of disparate platforms

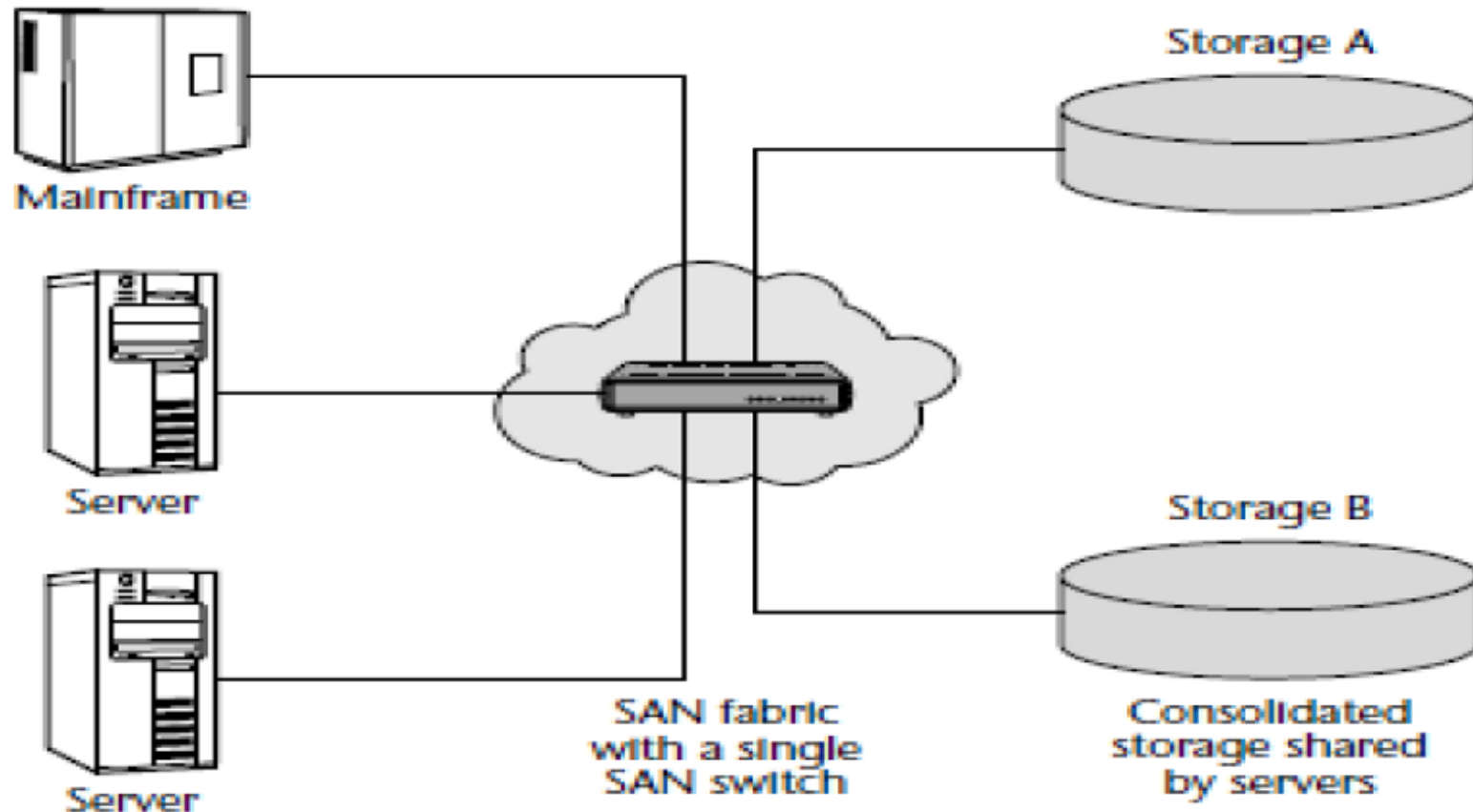
Single storage subsystem connected to various platforms

**Figure 9-2** Consolidation to a direct-attached single storage pool.



# Data Center Consolidation (3)

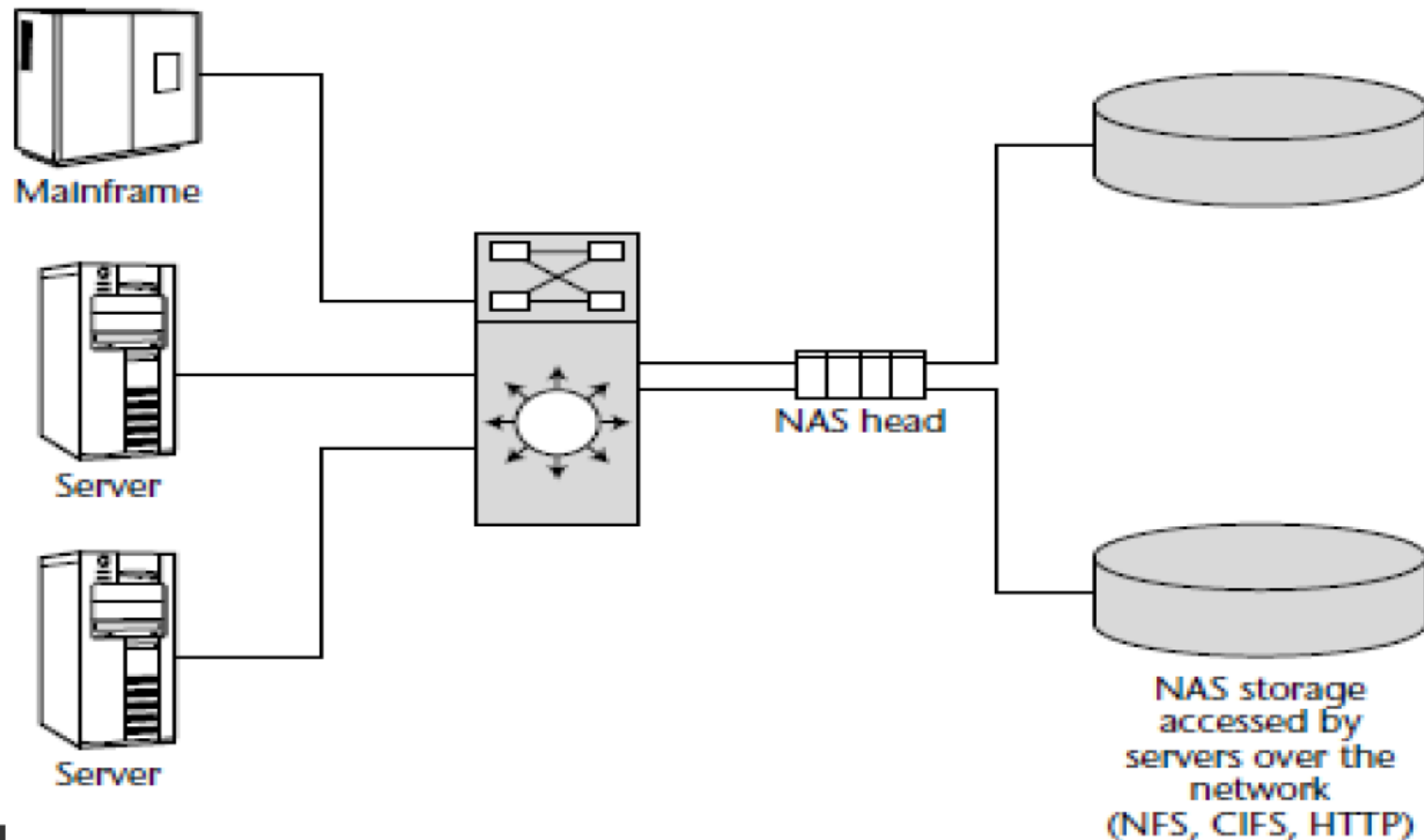
Consolidation with storage area network (SAN)



**Figure 9-3** Consolidation of storage to a SAN-attached single pool.

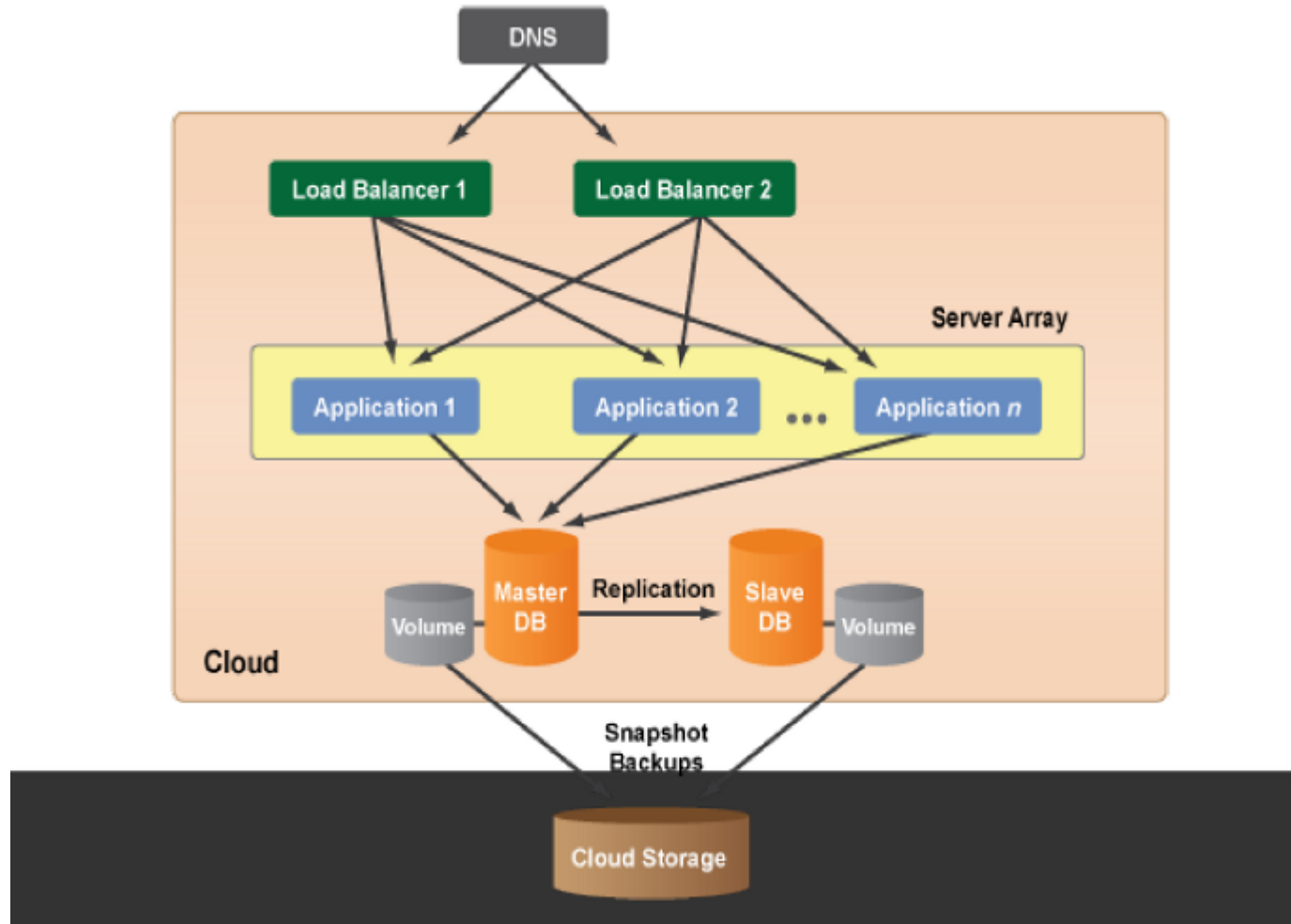
# Data Center Consolidation (4)

Consolidation with network attached storage (NAS)



**Figure 9-4** Consolidated storage accessed by server using network protocols such as NFS, CIFS, and HTTP.

# Data Center Consolidation (5)



# End of Topic #2 Distributed Systems

# Topic #3

## Real Time Systems

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# Real Time Systems (RTS)

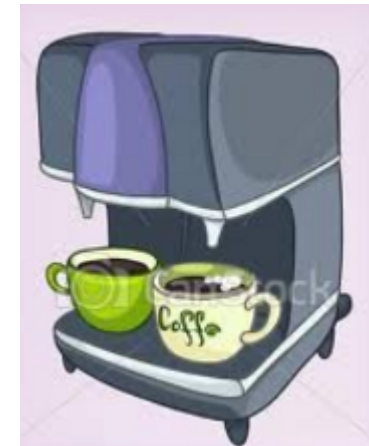
- A **real-time system** requires that results be produced within a specified deadline period.
- An **embedded system** is a computing device that is part of a larger system (i.e., automobile, airliner).
- A **safety-critical system** is a real-time system with catastrophic results in case of failure.
- A **hard real-time system** guarantees that real-time tasks be completed within their required deadlines.
- A **soft real-time system** provides priority of real-time tasks over non real-time tasks.

# RTS Characteristics

- Single purpose & Small size
- Inexpensively mass-produced
- Specific timing requirements
- Designed using system-on-a-chip (SOC) strategy
- SOC allows the CPU, memory, memory-management unit, and attached peripheral ports (i.e., USB) to be contained in a single integrated circuit
- Not all features found in a standard system



# RTS Examples

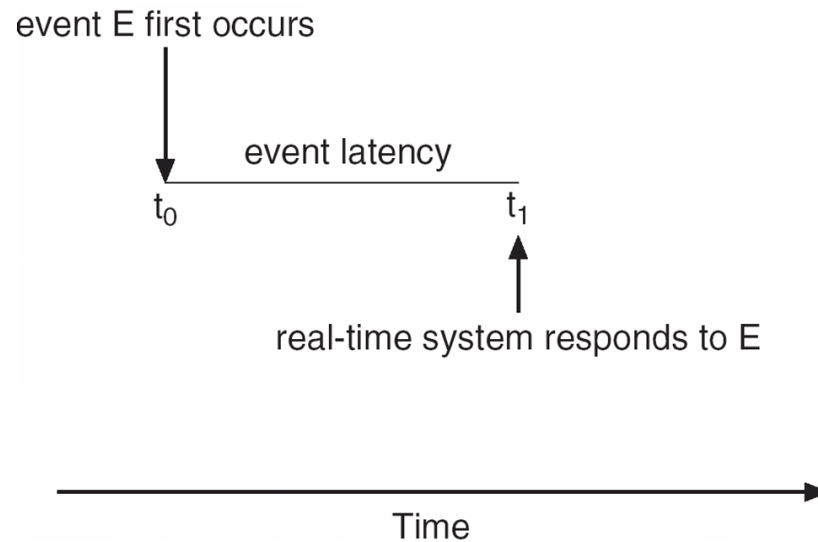


# RTS Processes

- Tasks/Processes
  - Have priority
  - Have deadlines
  - Higher priority tasks PREEMPT lower ones (Priority Based Preemption)

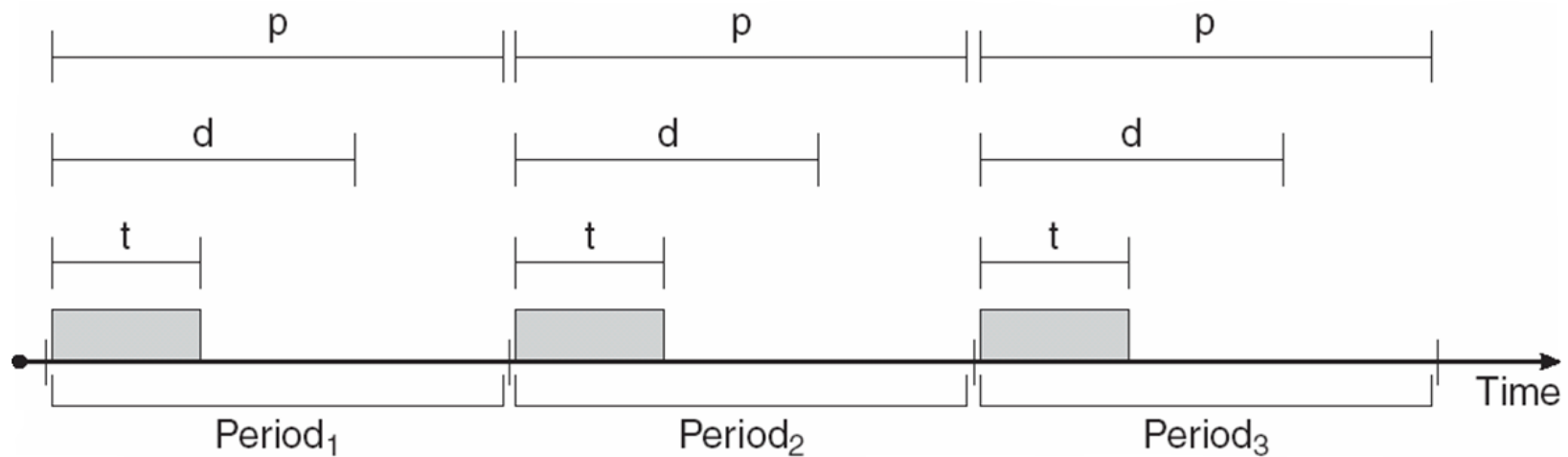
# Implementing RTS

- RTS must provide:
  - **Preemptive, priority-based** scheduling
  - Preemptive **kernels**
  - **Latency** must be minimized



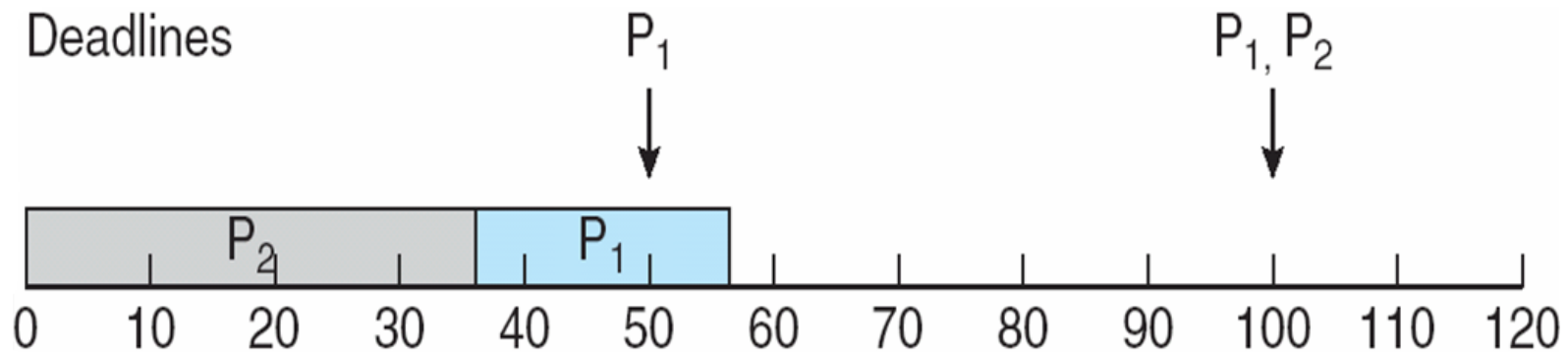
# RTS CPU Scheduling

- Periodic processes require the CPU at specified intervals (periods)
- $p$  is the duration of the period
- $d$  is the deadline by when the process must be serviced
- $t$  is the processing time



# Priority Scheduling

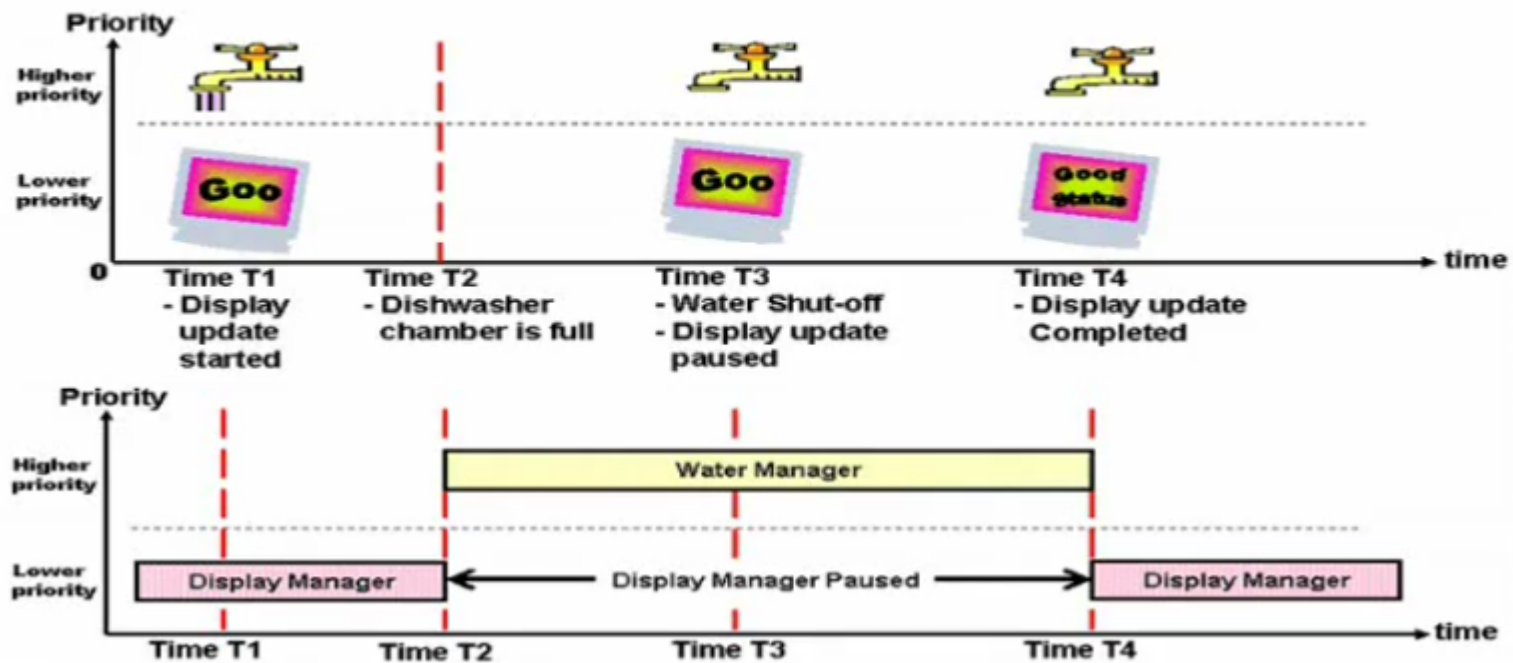
- P2 has a higher priority than P1



# Preemption Example



## Preemption Example



# End of Topic #3 Real Time Systems

# Topic #4

## Multi Media Systems

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- Streaming
- Compression
- QoS
- Delivery Methods

# Introduction

- Multimedia data includes
  - audio and video clips (i.e., MP3 and MPEG files)
  - live webcasts
- Multimedia data may be delivered to
  - desktop PC's
  - handheld devices

# Media Delivery

- Data must be accessed with specific timing requirements. Eg.
  - video must be displayed at 24-30 frames per second. Multimedia video data must be delivered at a rate which guarantees 24-30 frames/second
  - Continuous-media data is data with specific rate requirements

# Characteristics

- Multimedia files can be quite large
- Continuous media data may require very high data rates
- Multimedia applications may be sensitive to timing delays during playback of the media

# Streaming

- Streaming is delivering a multimedia file from a server to a client - typically the deliver occurs over a network connection.
- There are two different types of streaming:
  - **Progressive download** - the client begins playback of the multimedia file as it is delivered. The file is ultimately stored on the client computer.
  - **Real-time streaming** - the multimedia file is delivered to - but not stored on - the client's computer.

# Real Time Streaming

- There are two types of real-time streaming:
  - **Live streaming** - used to deliver a live event while it is occurring
  - **On-demand streaming** - used to deliver media streams such as movies, archived lectures, etc. The events are not delivered in real-time.

# Compression

- Because of the size and rate requirements of multimedia systems, multimedia files are often compressed into a smaller form
- MPEG Compression:
  - MPEG-1 - 352 X 240 @ 30 frames/second
  - MPEG-2 - Used for compressing DVD and high-definition television (HDTV)
  - MPEG-4 - Used to transmit audio, video, and graphics. Can be delivered over slow connections (from 56 Kbps)

# QoS

- Guaranteeing QoS has the following effects in a computer system:
  - CPU processing
  - Scheduling
  - File systems
  - Network protocols
- Levels:
  - **Best-effort service**
  - **Soft QoS**
  - **Hard QoS**



# Delivery Methods

- Three general methods for delivering content from a server to a client across a network:
  - **Unicasting** - the server delivers the content to a single client.
  - **Broadcasting** - the server delivers the content to all clients, regardless whether they want the content or not.
  - **Multicasting** - the server delivers the content to a group of receivers who indicate they wish to receive the content

# End of Topic #4 Multimedia Systems

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**Thank You!**