Network Management

Lecture 1

Data Communications and Network Management Overview

- Telecommunications overview
- Data communications overview
- Evolution of converged networks
- Desktop processors and LAN technology
- Client-Server architecture in networking
- Internet and intranet
- Network communication protocols
- OSI and Internet standards
- Broadband networks and services
- Need for network management and NMS
- Operations, Administration, Maintenance, and Provisioning
- Network management architecture and organization
- Concept of Network Operations Center
- Perspectives of network management
- Network management system
- Look-ahead of network management technology

Telephone Network

- Modern network evolution from Telephone / Telecommunications Network
- Characteristics of Telephone network
 - Reliable does what is expected of it
 - Dependable always there when you need it (remember 911?)
 - Good quality (connection) hearing each other well
- Reasons for QoS:
 - Good planning, design, and implementation
 - Good operation and management of network
 - Migration to new technologies
 - e.g., From analog to digital technology

Telephone Network Model

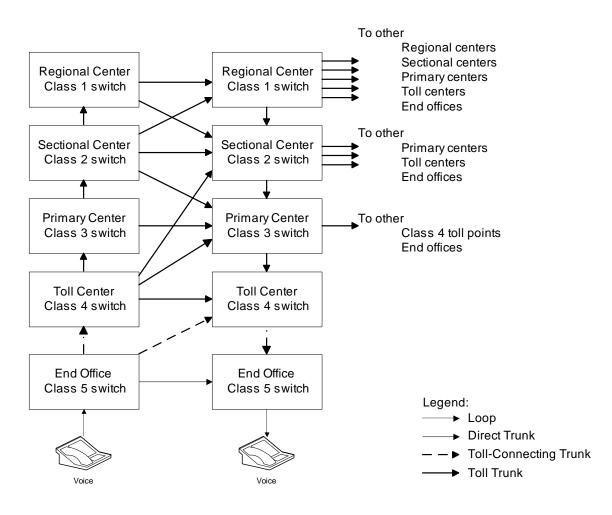


Figure 1.1 Telephone Network Model

- Notice the hierarchy of switches
- Primary and secondary routes programmed
- Automatic routing
- Where is the most likely failure?
- Use of Operations Systems to ensure QoS

OSSs / NOC

- Operations Support Systems (OSSs) help manage the operation of networks
- OSSs in telecommunications monitor:
 - Analog network parameters:
 - •S/N ratio, transmission loss, call blockage, etc.
 - Digital network parameters:
 - Packet loss, Packet delay, Throughput, QoS, etc.
- Real-time management of network
- Trunk (logical entity between switches / nodes) maintenance system measures loss and S/N Trunks not meeting QoS removed before customer notices poor quality
- Traffic measurement systems measure call drops and blockage. Additional switches or routers planned to keep the call blockage or drops below acceptable level
- OSSs distributed at central offices and customer premises
- Network management done centrally from Network Operations Center (NOC)

Data and Telecommunication Network

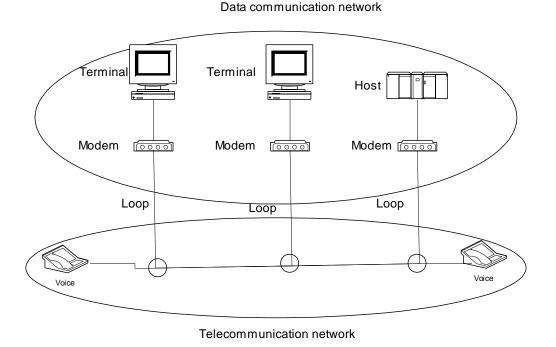
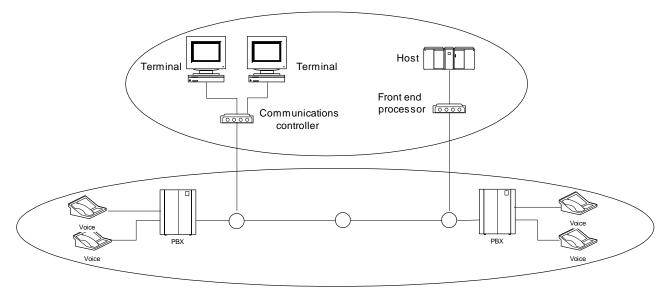


Figure 1.3 Data and Telecommunication Networks

- Computer data is carried over long distance by telephone (telecommunication network)
- Output of telephone is analog and output of computers is digital
- Modem is used to "modulate" and "demodulate" computer data to analog format and back
- Clear distinction between the two networks is getting fuzzier with modern multimedia networks

Migration to Digital Technology

Data communication network



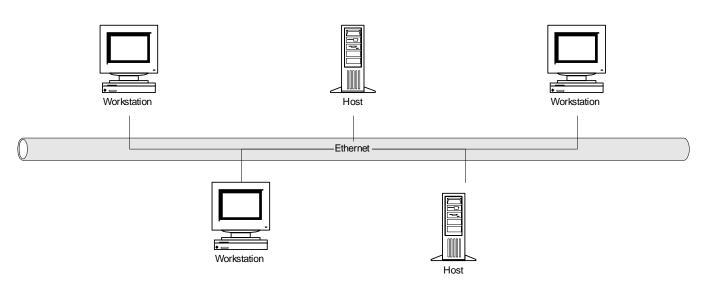
Telecommunication network



- Analog transmission migrated to digital transmission
- Analog sources converted to digital signals
- CPE (Customer Premises equipment) included digital PBX (Private Branch Exchanges)
- Analog bandwidth hierarchy migrated to synchronous digital hierarchy

DCE with LAN

DCE.. Distributed Computing Environment



Fgure 1.5(a) Hosts and Workstations on Local LAN

- Driving technologies for DCE:
 - Desktop processor
 - LAN
 - LAN WAN network

LAN-WAN Network

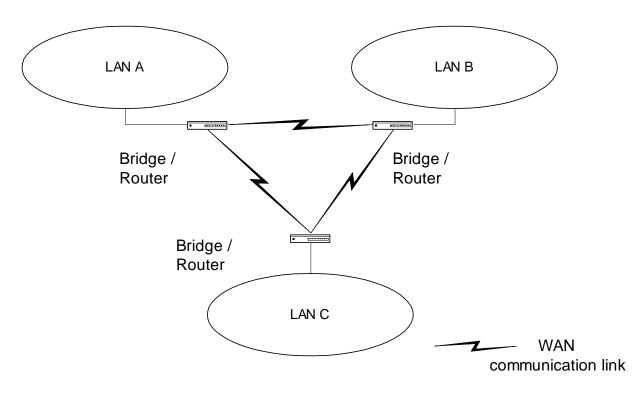


Figure 1.5(b) Remote LANs Interconnected by WAN

- Major impacts of DCE:
 - No more monopolistic service provider
 - No centralized IT controller
 - Hosts doing specialized function
 - Client/Server architecture formed the core of DCE network

Client/Server Model

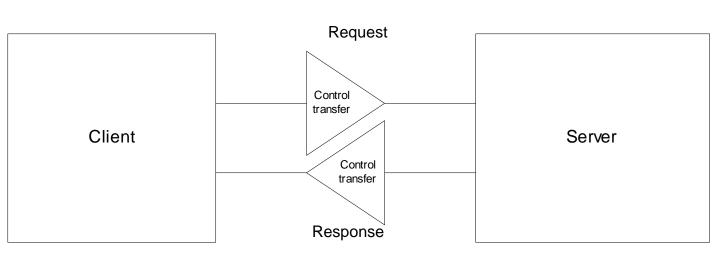


Figure 1.6 Simple Client-Server Model

- Post office analogy; clerk the server, and the customer the client
- Client always initiates requests
- Server always responds
- Notice that control is handed over to the receiving entity.

Client/Server Examples

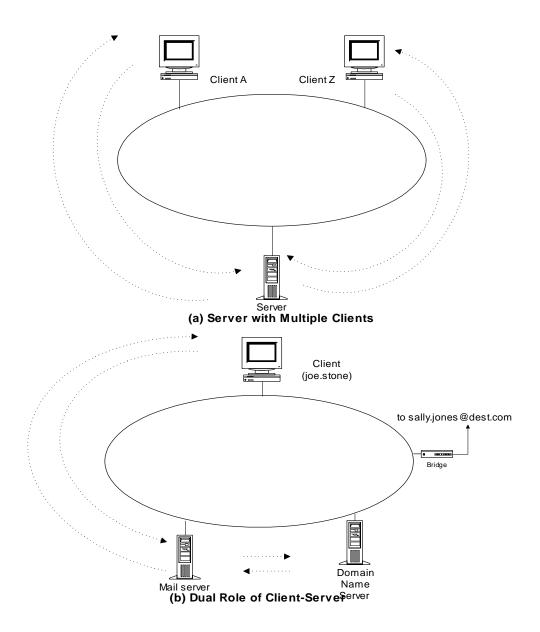


Figure 1.7 Client-Server in Distributed Computing Environment

TCP/IP Based Networks

- TCP/IP is a suite of protocols
- Internet is based on TCP/IP
- IP is Internet protocol at the network layer level
- TCP is connection-oriented transport protocol and ensures end-to-end connection
- UDP is connectionless transport protocol and provides datagram service
- Internet email and much of the network mgmt. messages are based on UDP/IP
- ICMP part of TCP/IP suite

Internet Configuration

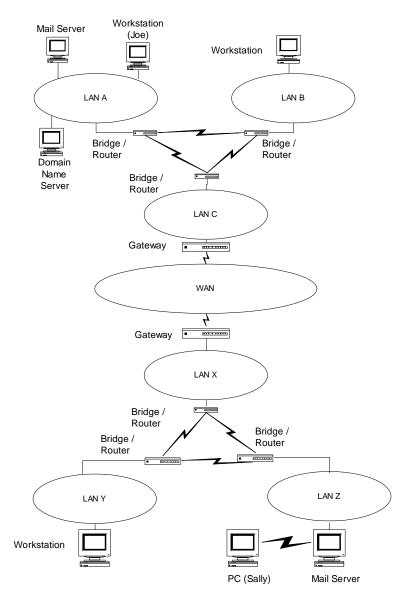


Figure 1.8 Internet Configuration

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• Walk through the scenario of email from Joe to Sally

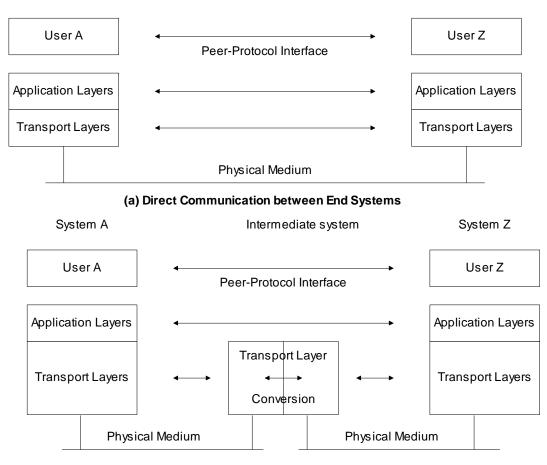
Architecture, Protocols and Standards

- Communication architecture
 - Modeling of communication systems, comprising
 - Functional components
 - Operations interfaces between them
- Communication protocols
 - Operational procedures
 - Intra- and inter-modules
- Communication standards
 - Agreement between manufacturers on protocols of communication equipment on
 - Physical characteristics
 - Operational procedures

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• Examples: (Students to call out)

Communication Architecture



(b) Communication between End Systems via an Intermediate System

Figure 1.10 Basic Communication Architecture

- Inter-layer interface: user and service provider
- Peer-layer protocol interface
- Analogy of hearing-impaired student
- Role of intermediate systems
- Gateway: Router with protocol conversion as gateway to an autonomous network or subnet

OSI Reference Model

	User / Application program	
Layer 7	Application	
Layer 6	Presentation	
Layer 5	Session	
Layer 4	Transport	
Layer 3	Network	
Layer 2	Data link	
Layer 1	Physical	
	Physical medium	

Figure 1.11 OSI Protocol Layers

Notes

 Importance of the knowledge of layer structure in NM

OSI Layers and Services

Layer No.	Layer Name	Salient services provided by the layer	
1	Physical	-Transfers to and gathers from the physical medium raw bit data	
		-Handles physical and electrical interfaces to the transmission medium	
2	Data link	-Consists of two sublayers: Logical link control (LLC) ar Media access control (MAC)	
		-LLC: Formats the data to go on the medium; performs error control and flow control	
		-MAC: Controls data transfer to and from LAN; resolves conflicts with other data on LAN	
3	Network	Forms the switching / routing layer of the network	
4	Transport	-Multiplexing and de-multiplexing of messages from applications	
		-Acts as a transparent layer to applications and thus isolates them from the transport system layers	
		-Makes and breaks connections for connection-oriented communications	
		-Flow control of data in both directions	
5	Session	-Establishes and clears sessions for applications, and thus minimizes loss of data during large data exchange	
6	Presentation	-Provides a set of standard protocols so that the display would be transparent to syntax of the application	
		-Data encryption and decryption	
7	Application	-Provides application specific protocols for each specific application and each specific transport protocol system	

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 Importance of services offered by different layers and the protocol conversion at different layers in NM

PDU Communication Model

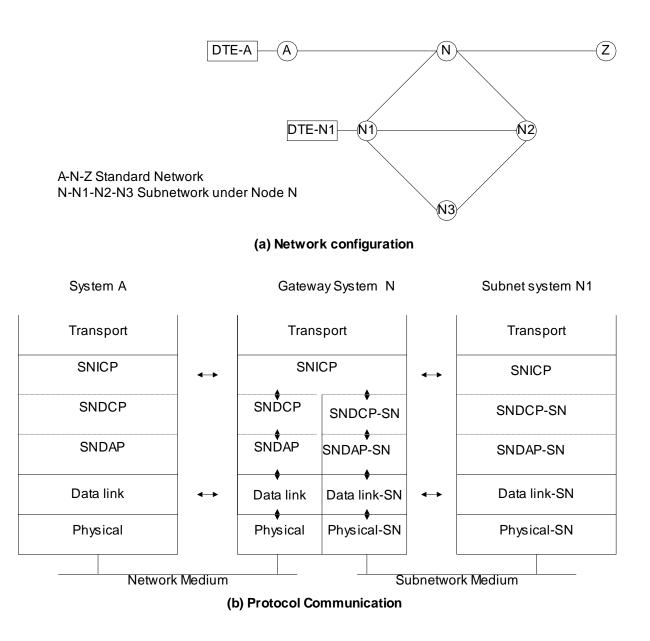
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User A	-• UD		User Z	
			•	
Application	► (A) PCI UD		Application	
Presentation	▶ (P) PCI (A) PDU		Presentation	
Session	► (S) PCI (P) PDU		Session	
Transport	→(T) PCI(S) PDU		Transport	
Network	► (N) PCI (T) PDU		Network	
Data link	► (D) PCI (N) PDU		Data link	
Physical			Physical	
	(D)PDU Data stream		Î	
Physical Medium				

Figure 1.13 PDU Communication Model between End Systems

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What is the relevance of PDU model in NM?

Gateway





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 cc:mail from a station in Novel IPX network to an Internet station with SMTP email

OSI and Internet

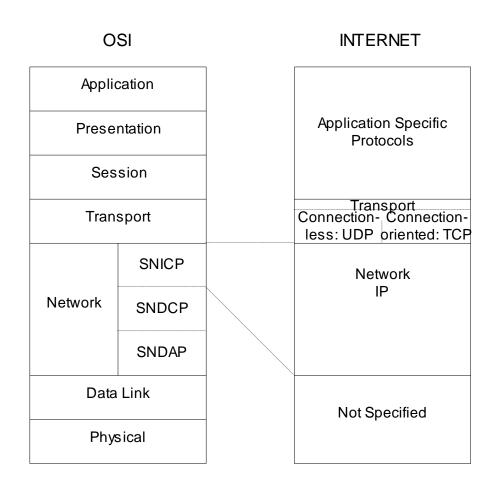


Figure 1.17 Comparison of OSI and Internet Protocol Layer Models

- Simplicity of Internet; specifies only layers 3 and 4
- Integrated application layers over Internet
- Commonality of layers 1 and 2 IEEE standard

Application Protocols

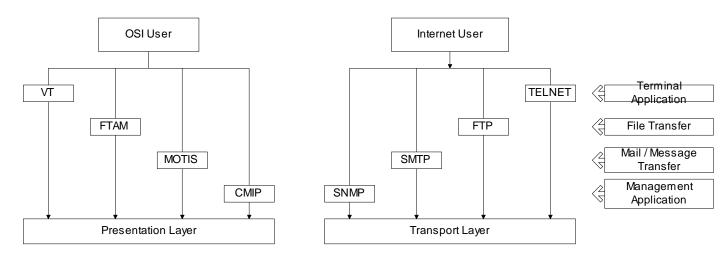


Figure 1.18 Application Specific Protocols in ISO and Internet Models

Internet user	OSI user
Telnet	Virtual Terminal
File Transfer Protocol	File Transfer Access & Mgmt
Simple Mail Transfer	Message-oriented Text
Protocol	Interchange Standard
Simple Network	Common Management
Management Protoco	Information Protocol

Broadband Network

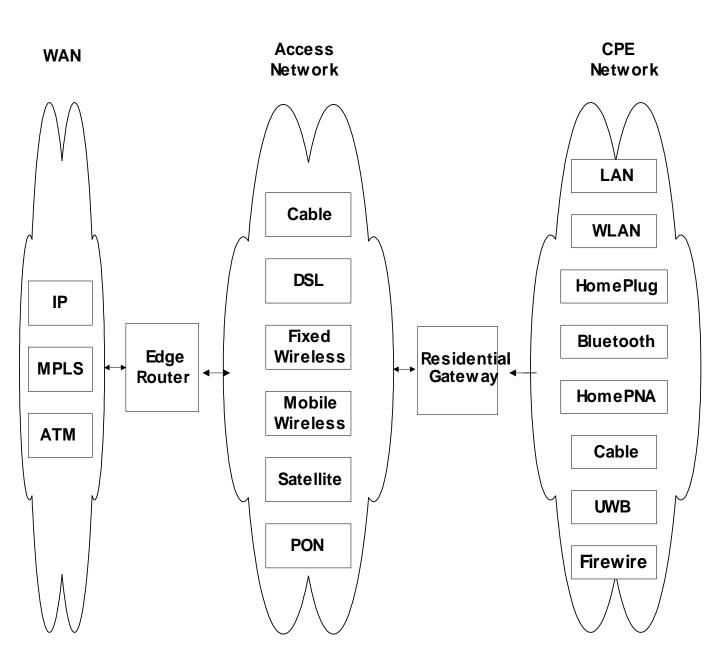
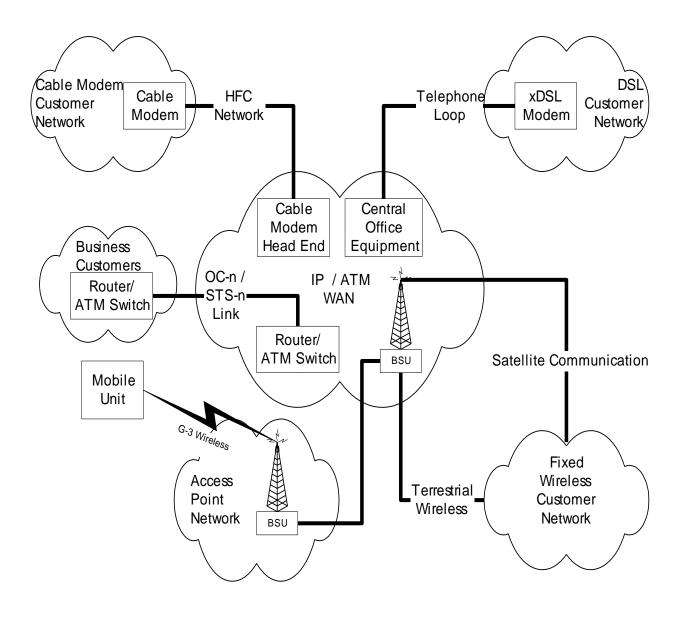


Figure 1.19 Broadband Network Segments and Technologies

Broadband Access Networks





Centrally Managed Network Issues

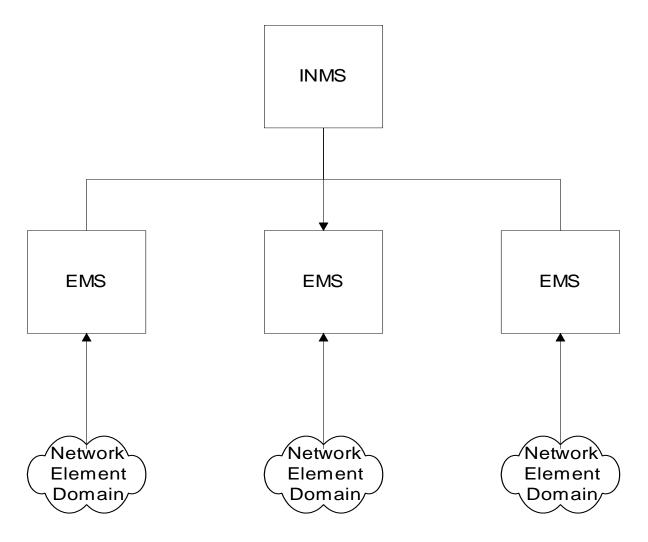


Figure 1.21 Case History 2: Centrally Managed Network Issues

Some Common Network Problems

- Loss of connectivity
- Duplicate IP address
- Intermittent problems
- Network configuration issues
- Non-problems
- Performance problems

Challenges of IT Managers

- Reliability
- Non-real time problems
- Rapid technological advance
- Managing client/server environment
- Scalability
- Troubleshooting tools and systems
- Trouble prediction
- Standardization of operations NMS helps
- Centralized management vs. "sneaker-net"

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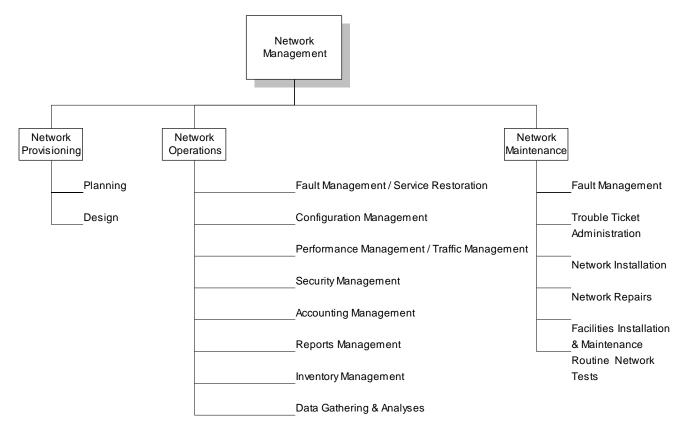


Figure 1.22 Network Management Functional Groupings

- OAMP
 - Operations
 - Administration
 - Maintenance
 - Provisioning

NM Functional Flow Chart

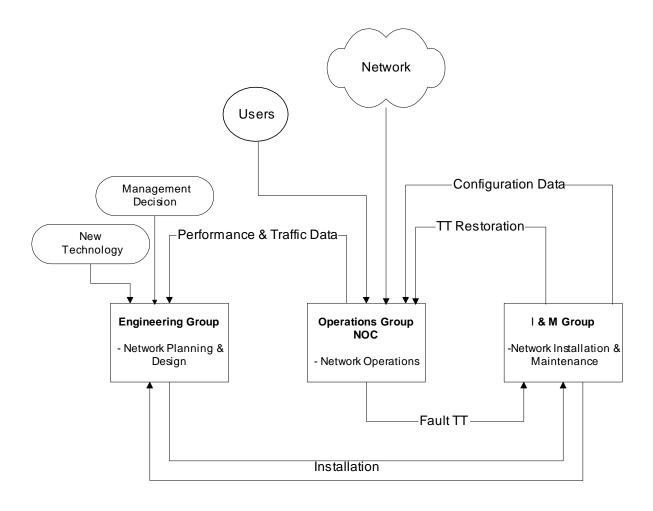
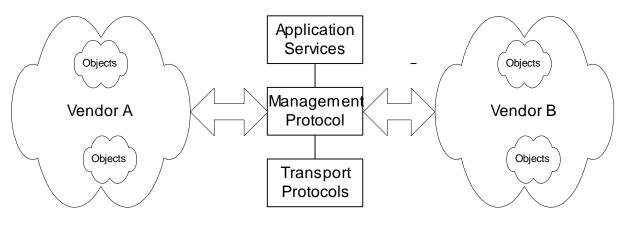


Figure 1.23 Network Management Functional Flow Chart

Dumbbell Architecture



(b) Services and Protocols

Figure 1.24 Network Management Dumbbell Architecture

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 Message exchange between NMSs managing different domains

NM Components

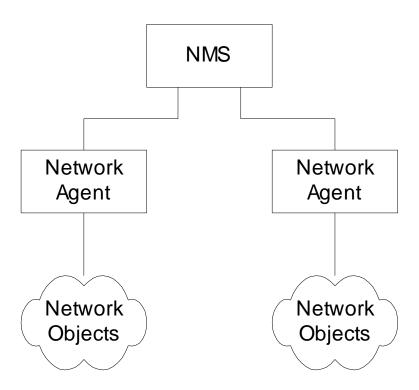


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Interoperability

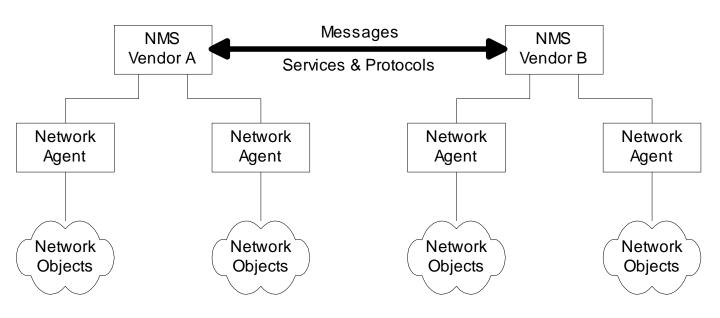


Figure 1.26 Network Management Interoperability

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 Message exchange between NMSs managing different domains

Network Management Perspectives

- Network Management
- Service Management
- Service and Network Provisioning
- Application Management
- e-Commerce Management
- Inventory Management
- Integrated Management
- Business Management
- Information Management
- Management Protocols
- Management Technologies

Infrastructure Perspective

- Domains
- Protocols
- Technologies
- Transmission Media
- Transmission Modes
- Service Functions

Service Perspective

- Communication Services
- Computing Services
- Content Services
- IT Services
- Application Services

Status and Future Trends

- Status:
 - SNMP management
 - Limited CMIP management
 - Operations systems
 - Polled systems
- Current Focus:
 - Object-oriented approach
 - Service and policy management
 - Business management
 - Web-based client management
- Future Trends
 - Web-based management?
 - XML based management