

OSI Model

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- PSTN (Public Switched Telephony Network)
 - Voice
- Computer Networks
 - Data
 - Communication between computer applications
 - Distributed Processing
 - File Transfer
 - Electronic Mail
 - Distributed Games

- At the beginning of the 70s, each manufacturer had developed an architecture to allow communication between his systems
 - IBM (1974)
 - SNA Systems Network Architecture
 - DEC (1975)
 - DNA Distributed Network Architecture (DECNET)
 - Xerox
 - XNS
- Proprietary Architectures
- No communication between different architectures
 - Only with a previous agreement between manufacturers

- No communication between heterogeneous systems
 - No data exchange between computer applications running on different systems
- User is dependent on the manufacturer
 - Agreements between manufacturers resolve partially the problem
- Need of an architecture which allows interconnection between different systems

Standardization

- Two standardization organizations for computer networks
 - ISO (International Standards Organization)
 - ITU-T (International Telecommunications Union Telecommunications Standardization Sector) previously CCITT (Comit Consultatif International pour le Téléphone et le Télégraphe)
- ISO is a UN organization
 - National Standardization Organizations
 - SASO (KSA)
 - ANSI (USA)
 - AFNOR (France)
 - DIN (Germany)
 - BSI (UK)
- ITU-T is founded by Telecom Operators
 - France Telecom
 - AT&T

- History

- Work started at the end of the 70s independently inside ISO and CCITT
- Two working documents were published in 1983 describing a 7 layer reference model for open systems interconnection
 - Different texts
 - Many technical similarities
 - CCITT accepts ISO document with some minor technical changes
- Start of the collaboration between the two organizations at 1984
- Maturity at the end of the 80s and the beginning of the 90s

- Documents produced by the two organizations (ISO and ITU-T) are first published as drafts
 - Copyrighted
 - Comments
- Documents are published later as standards
 - International Standards (ISO)
 - Recommendations (ITU-T)

- Reference model for open systems Interconnection
 - (Basic Reference Model for Open Systems Interconnection)
- Describes concepts for open systems interconnection
- The model is not a network architecture
 - It does not describe services and protocols used in each layer
 - ISO has described its standards for each layer
- The model contains 7 layers
 - What is the concept of layer?
 - Why 7 layers?

- Requirements

- A layer should be created where a different abstraction is needed
- Each layer should perform well-defined functions
- Homogenous functions in each layer
- Borders between layers must be chosen in order to have minimum interactions between them
- Reasonable number of layers

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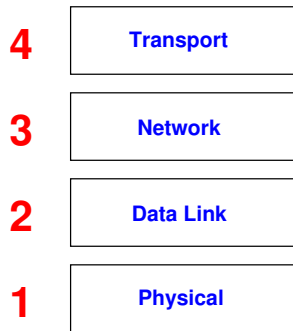
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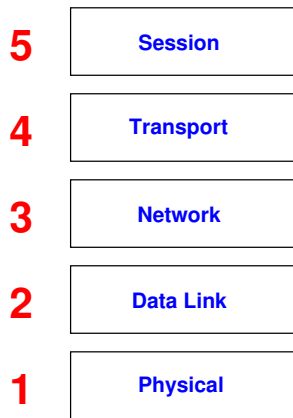
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Presentation

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Session

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Transport

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Application

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Physical

- Layer 1 of OSI Model
- It provides services to the Data Link Layer
- Physical Layer Functions
 - Definition of Hardware Specifications
 - Cables, Connectors, Transceivers, Network Interface Cards (NIC),
 - Encoding, Modulation, and Signaling
 - Data Transmission and Reception
- Example of Physical layer standards
 - X.21
 - Defines physical interface between DTE and DCE
 - DTE (Data Terminal Equipment)
 - DCE (Data Circuit Equipment)

- Layer 2 of OSI Model
- It uses services of the Physical layer
- It provides services to the Network Layer
- It performs following functions:
 - Framing
 - Transport of Network layer data using frames
 - Error Control
 - Error Detection and Error Correction
 - Flow Control
 - Traffic regulation between sender and receiver in order to meet the receiver requirements

- Layer 3 of OSI Model
- It uses Data-Link layer services
- Its provides services to the Transport Layer
- It performs following functions:
 - Addressing
 - Logical Addressing
 - Routing
 - Computation of routes between different nodes
 - Congestion Control
 - Traffic regulation in order to meet the network requirements

- Layer 4 of OSI model
- It uses Network Layer services
- It provides services to the Session Layer
- It performs following functions:
 - Multiplexing
 - Segmentation and Reassembly
 - Flow Control (at the process level)

- Layer 5 of OSI model
- It uses Transport layer services
- It provides services to the Presentation Layer
- It performs following functions:
 - Synchronization
 - Dialogue Management

- Layer 6 of OSI Model
- It uses Session layer services
- It provides services to the Application Layer
- It performs following functions:
 - Information Encoding (Translation)
 - Compression/Decompression
 - Encryption/Decryption

- Layer 7 of OSI model
- It uses Presentation layer services
- It provides services to the communicating processes
- It allows to application processes to access OSI environment and offers to the user basic services such as file transfer and specific services such as database access
 - FTAM
 - VT

- A protocol is a formal description of rules and conventions to follow in a information exchange in order to forward data to the receiver and that the receiver understands what he had received.
- A protocol may be implemented:
 - Hardware
 - Software
 - Both
- Example
 - IP, TCP
- Protocol Entity p:
 - An active element implementing protocol p
- Peer Entities
 - Entities implementing the same protocol p and so they can communicate using this protocol

- Service Access Point
 - SAP (Service Access Point)
 - The point where services are granted by layer N to the layer N+1

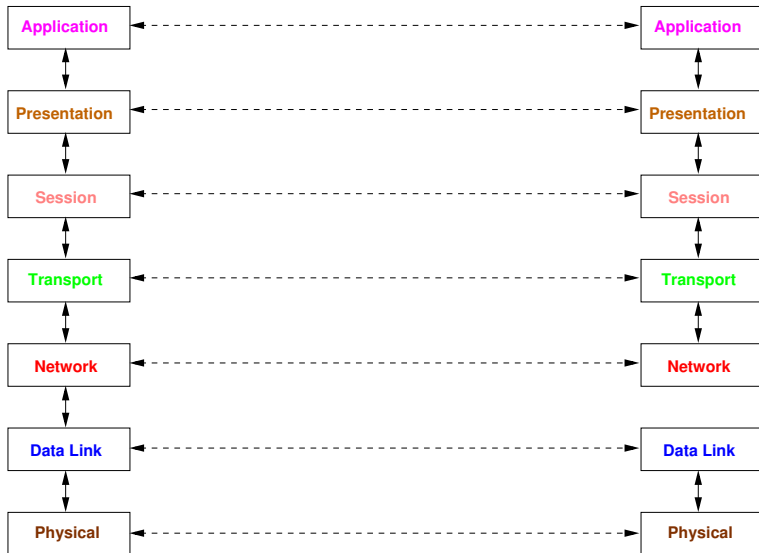
- PDU : Protocol Data Unit
 - Information exchanged between two peer entities
 - If peer entities belong to the layer X, we use the notation X-PDU
 - DL-PDU : Data unit exchanged between peer entities belonging to the Data-Link layer (Data Link Protocol Data Unit)
 - N-PDU: Network layer (Network Protocol Data Unit)
 - T-PDU: Transport layer
 - S-PDU: Session layer
 - P-PDU: Presentation layer
 - A-PDU: Application layer

- SDU : Service Data Unit
 - Information exchanged between entities belonging to adjacent layers (layer X and layer X+1)
 - X-SDU
 - Layer X+1 information transported by layer X
 - DL-SDU: Network Data unit transported by Data-Link layer
 - N-SDU: Network layer (Transport Data)
 - T-SDU: Transport layer (Session Data)
 - S-SDU: Session layer (Presentation Data)
 - P-SDU: Presentation layer (Application Data)
 - A-SDU: Application layer (Process Data)

- PCI : Protocol Control Information
 - Control Information between two peer entities
 - If peer entities belong to the layer X, we use the notation X-PCI
 - DL-PCI: Control Information exchanged between two peer entities belonging to Data-Link layer (Data Link Protocol Control Information)
 - N-PCI: Network layer (Network Protocol Control Information)
 - T-PCI: Transport layer
 - S-PCI: Session layer
 - P-PCI: Presentation layer
 - A-PCI: Application layer

- $X\text{-SDU} + X\text{-PCI} = X\text{-PDU}$
- $(X+1)\text{-PDU} + X\text{-PCI} = X\text{-PDU}$
- $X\text{-SDU} = (X+1)\text{-PDU}$
- Example :
 - $N\text{-PDU} = N\text{-PCI} + N\text{-SDU} = N\text{-PCI} + T\text{-PDU}$
- PCI may be
 - At the start of the message (Header) (IP)
 - At the end of the message (Trailer) (ATM AAL5)
 - At the start and at the end of the message (Header and Trailer) (Ethernet)

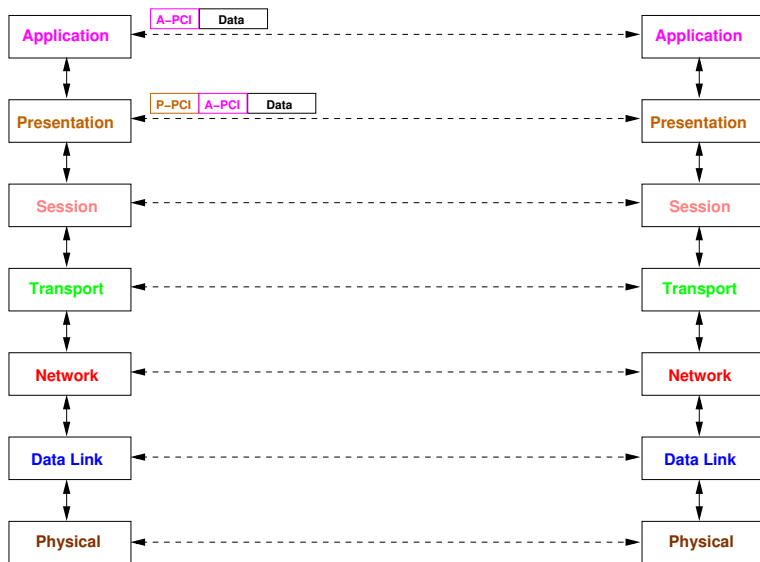
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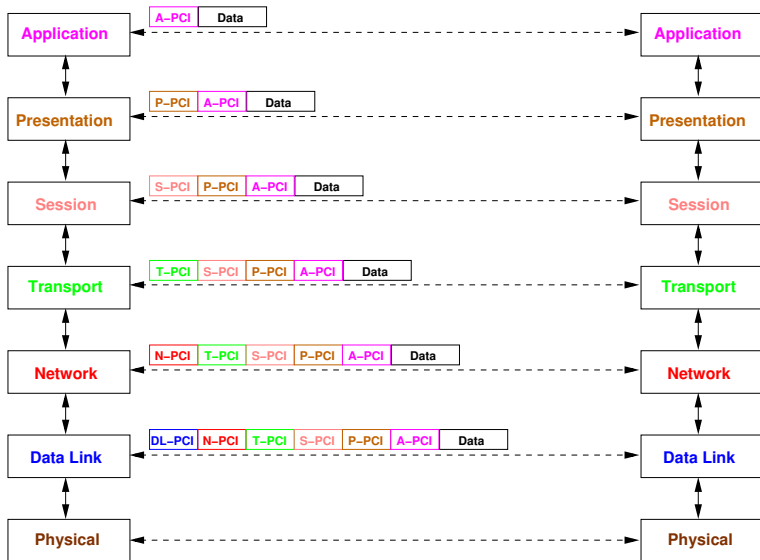
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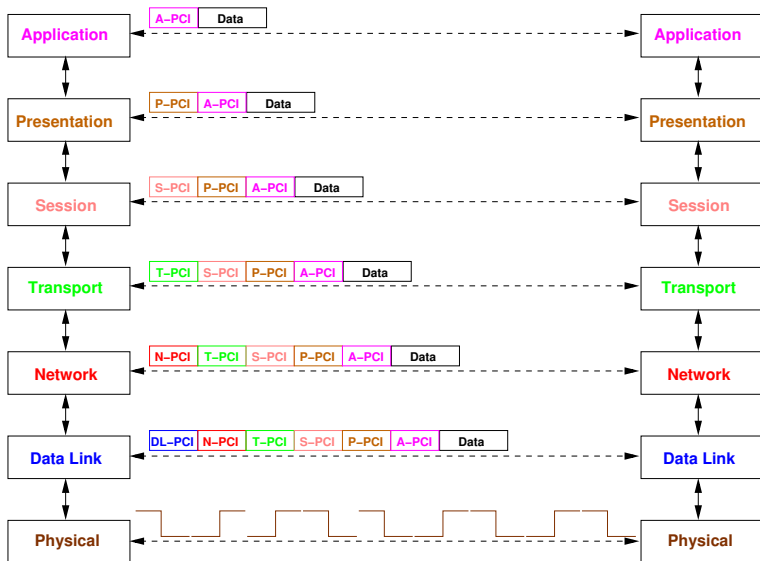
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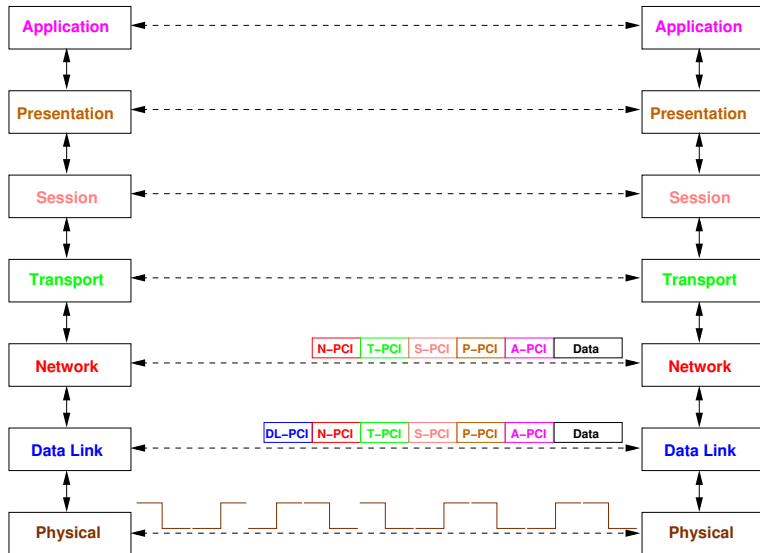
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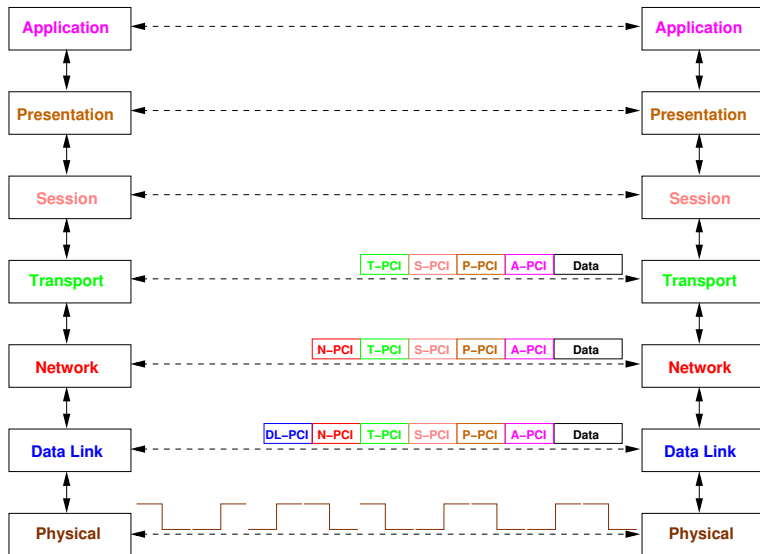
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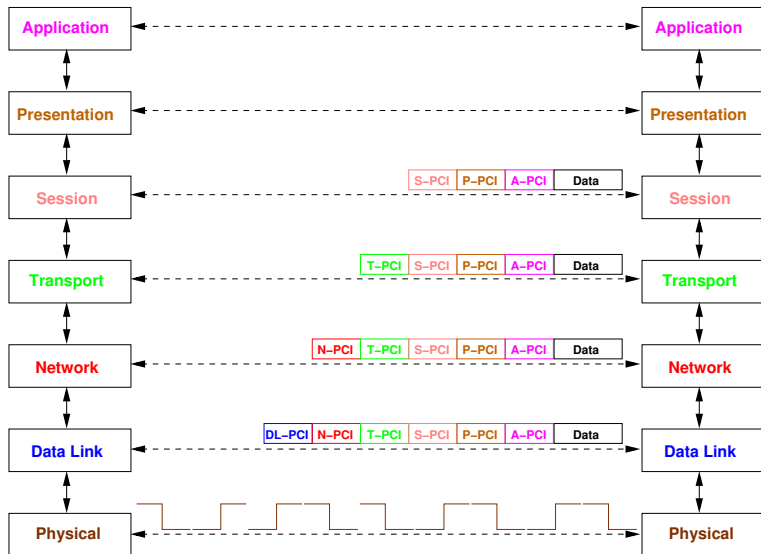
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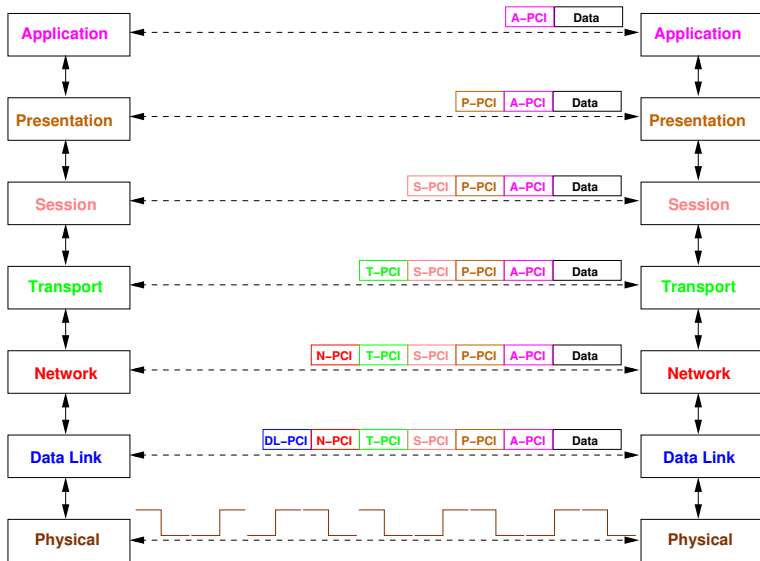
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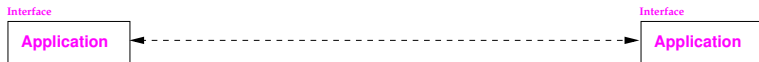
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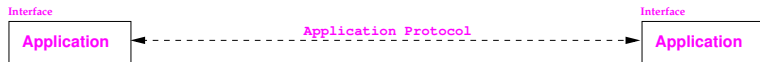
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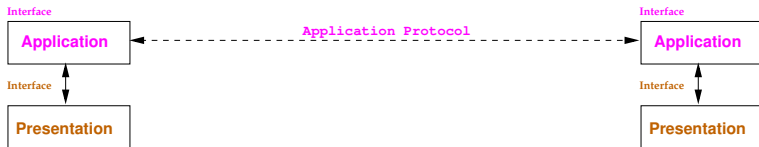
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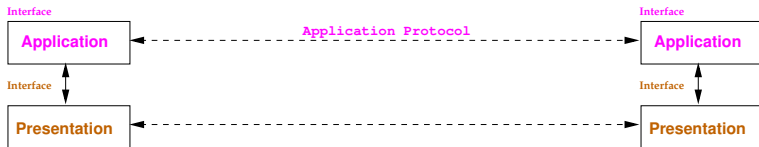
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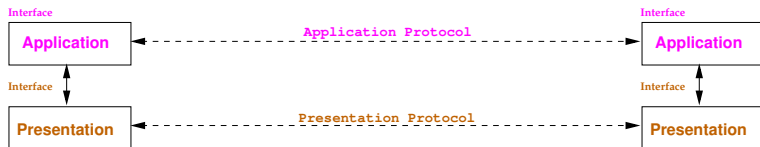
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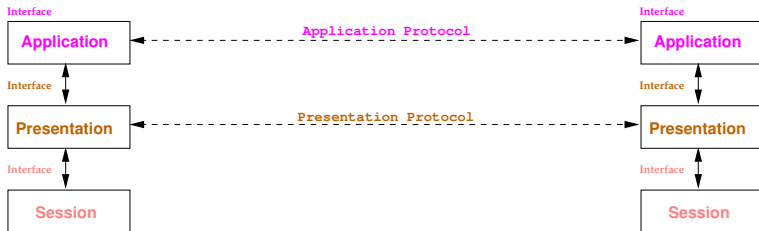
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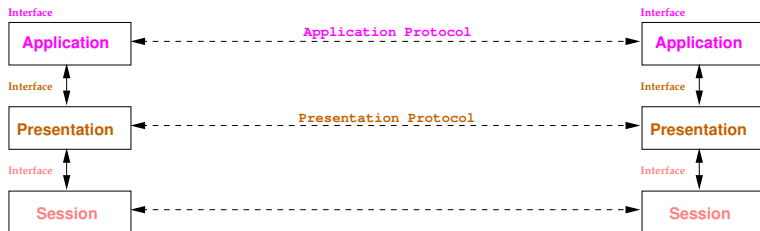
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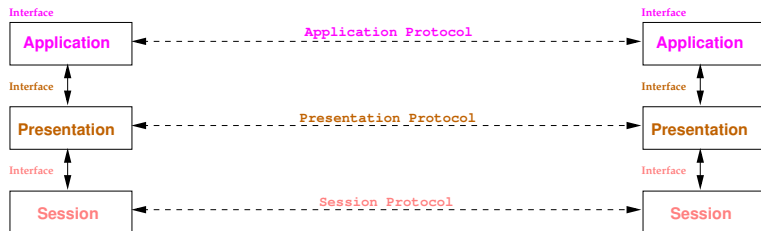
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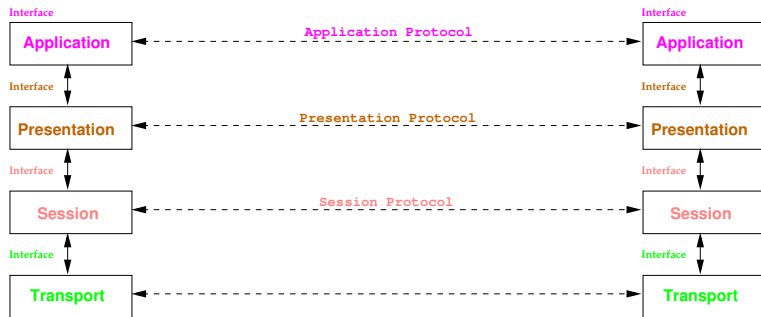
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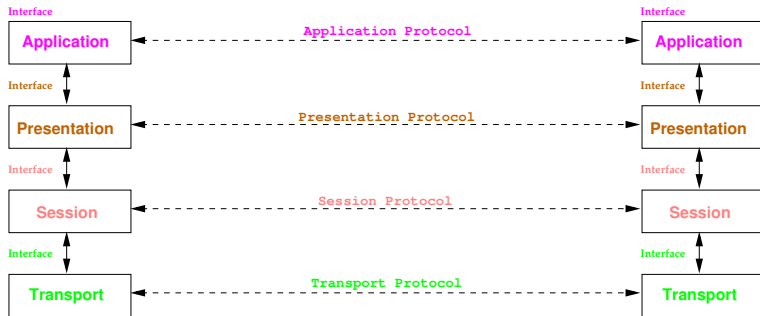
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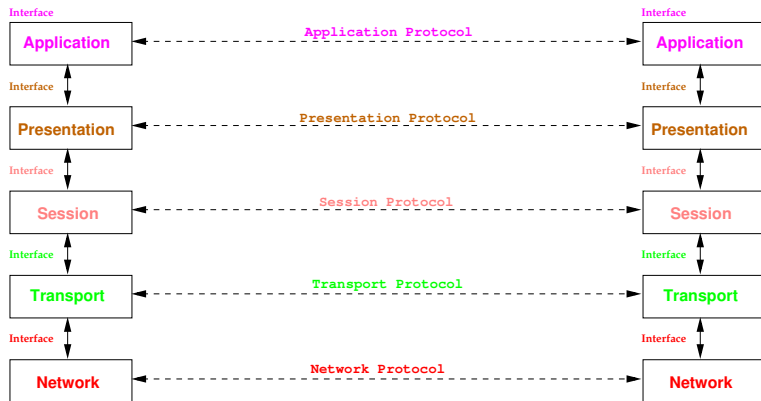
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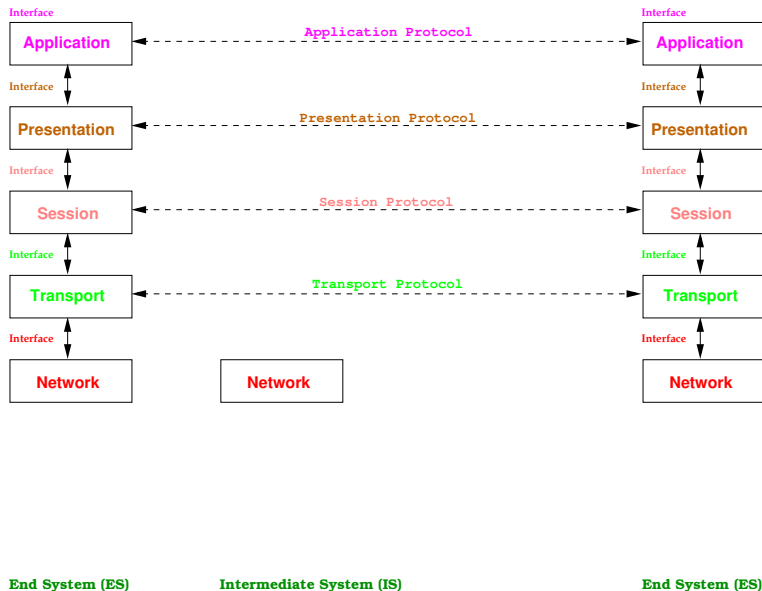
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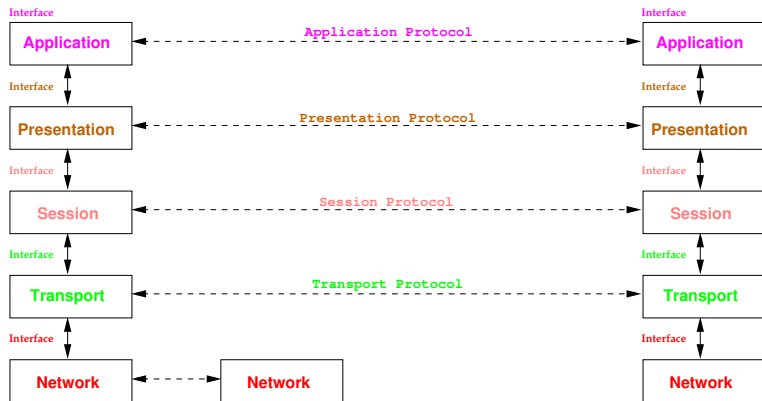
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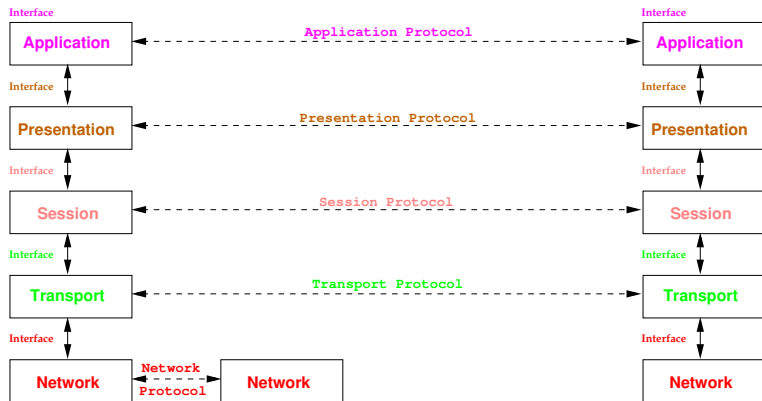


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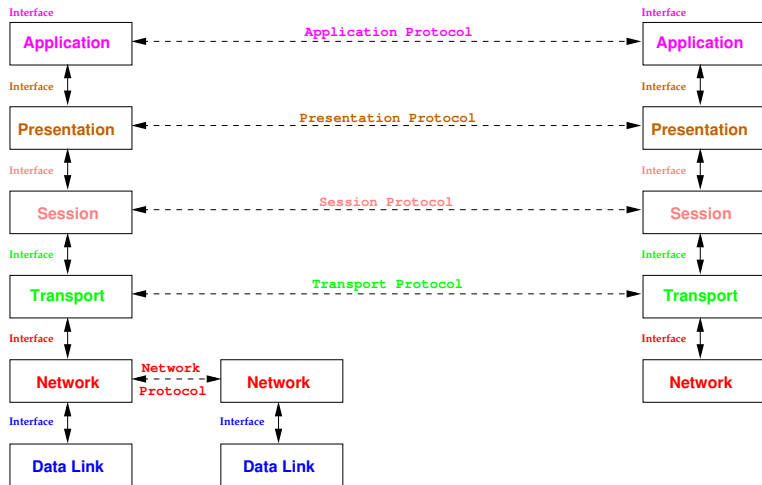


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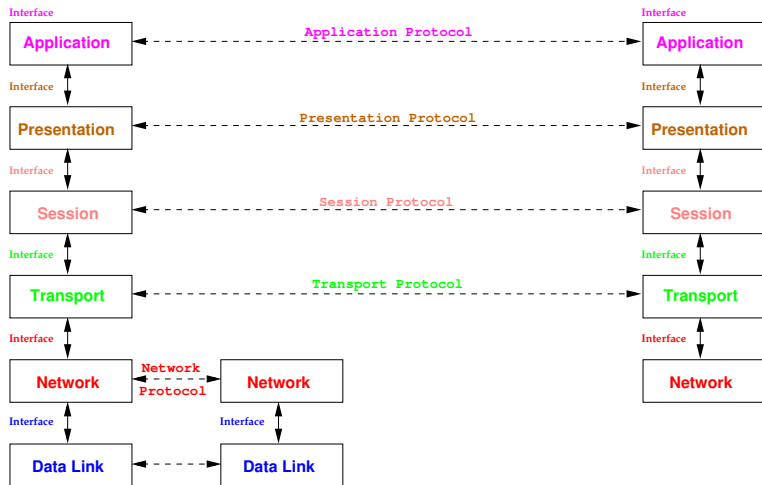


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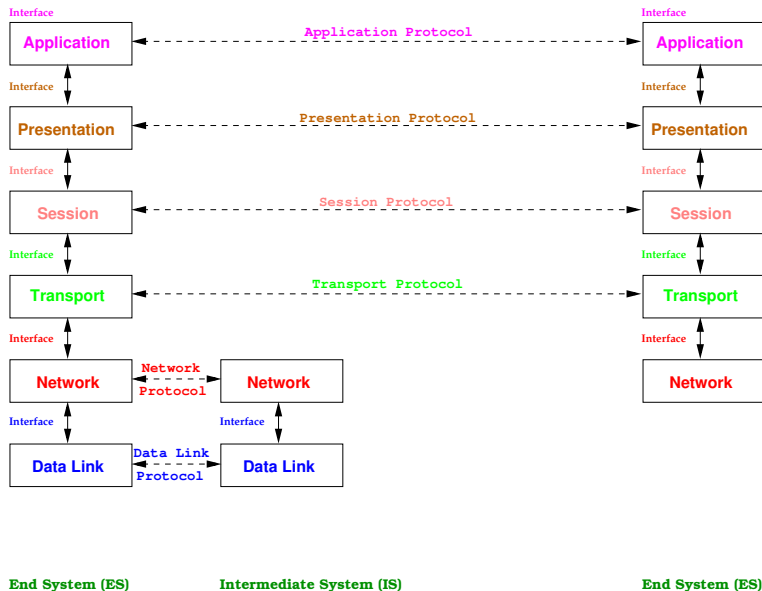


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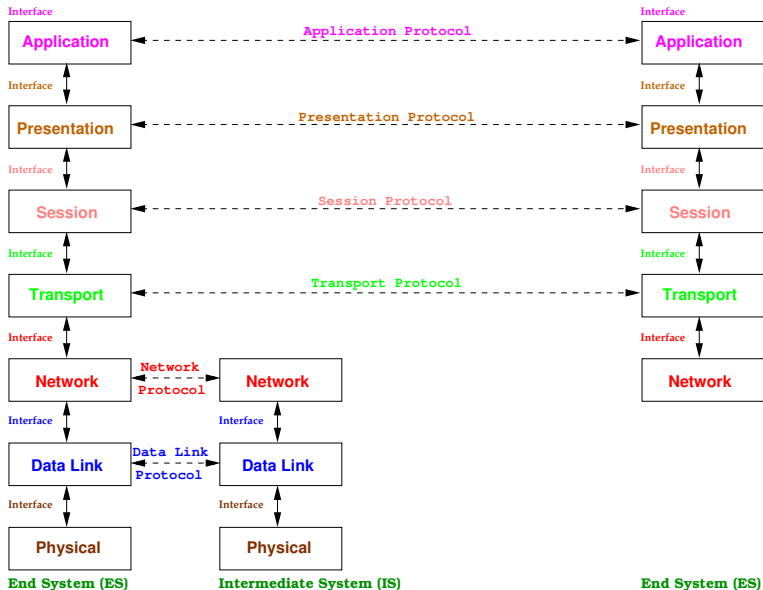
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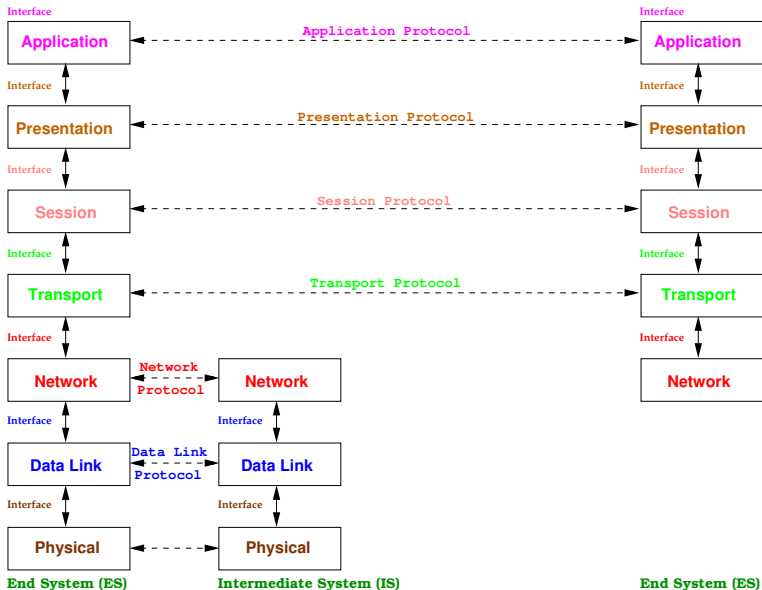
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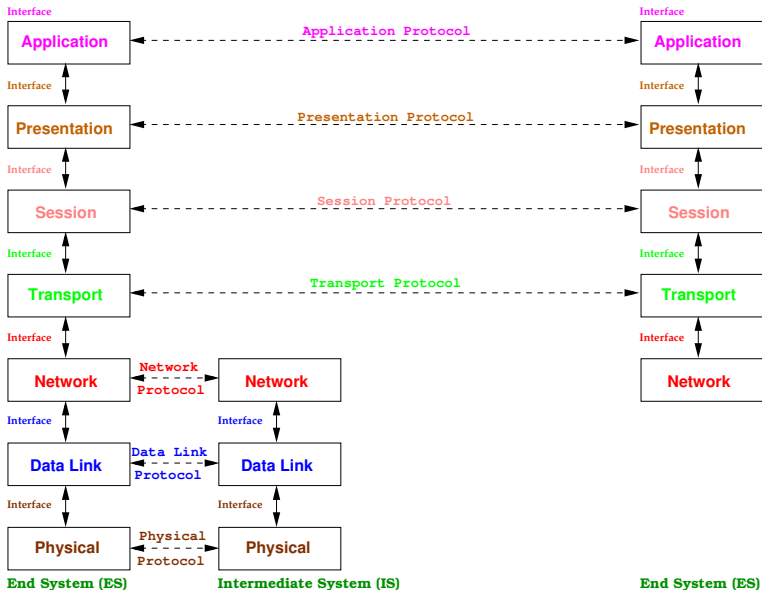
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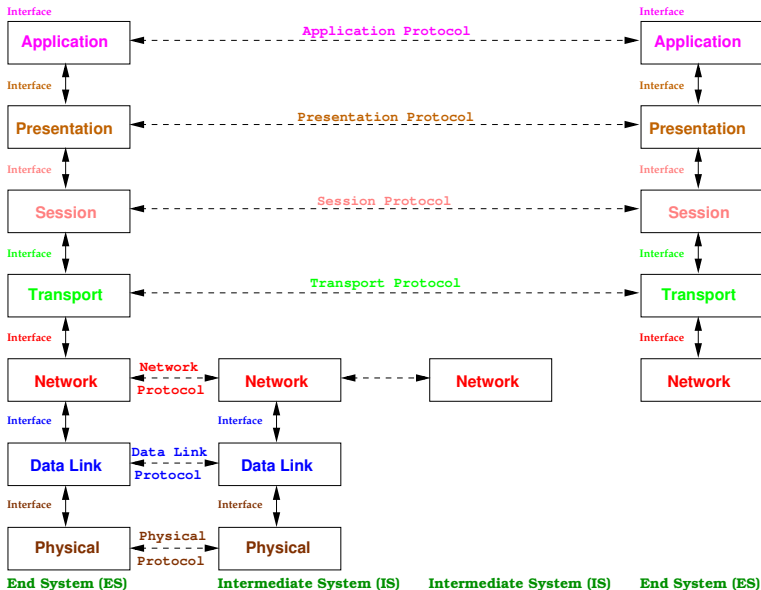
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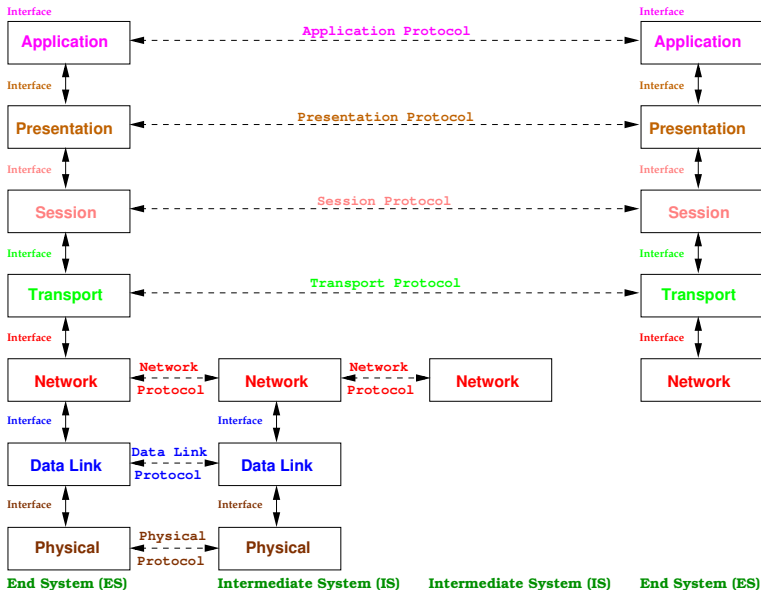
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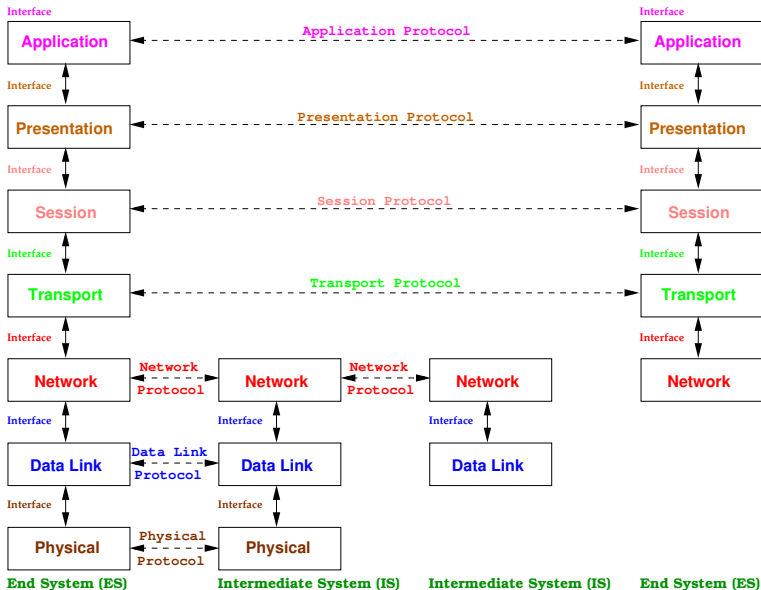
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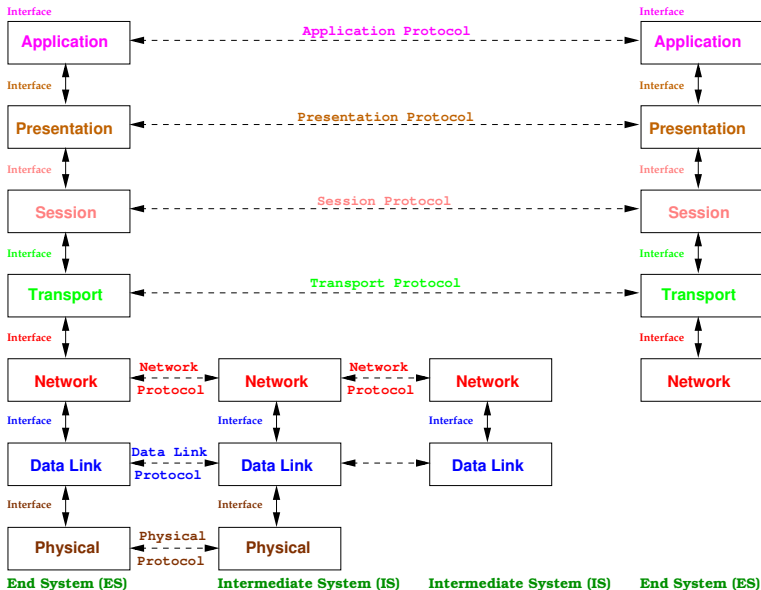
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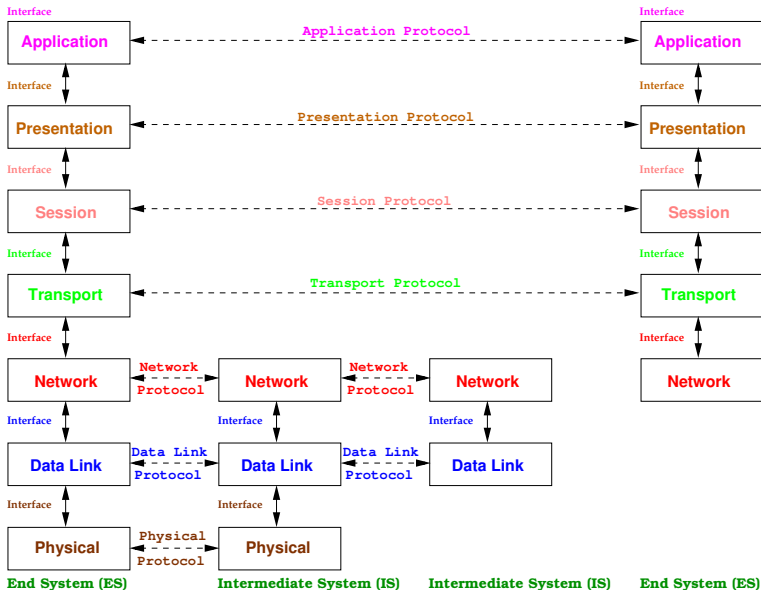
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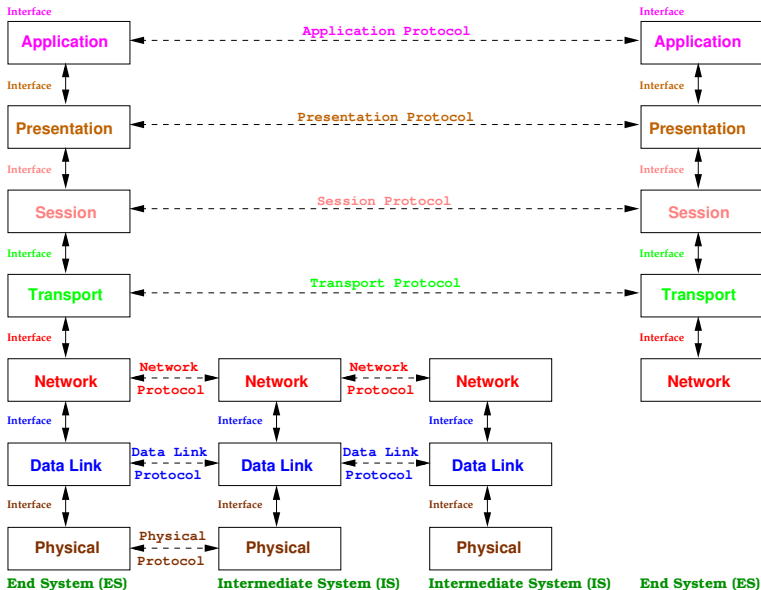
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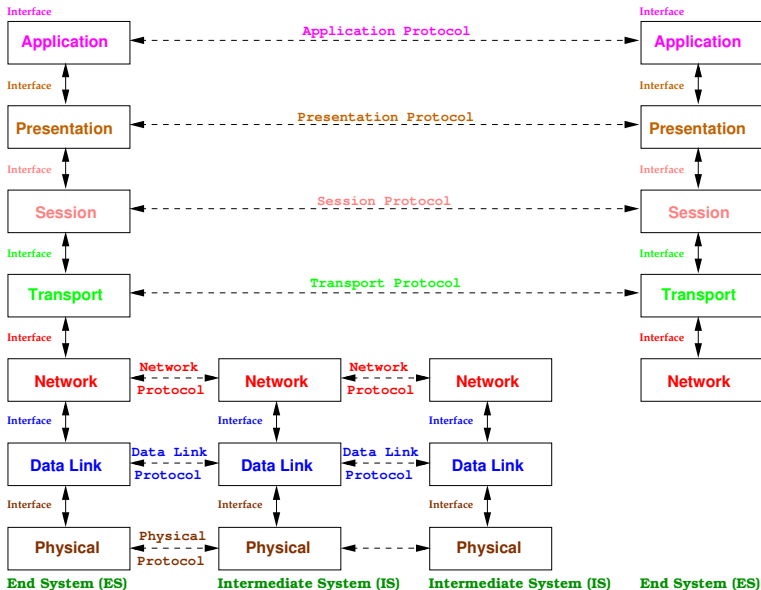
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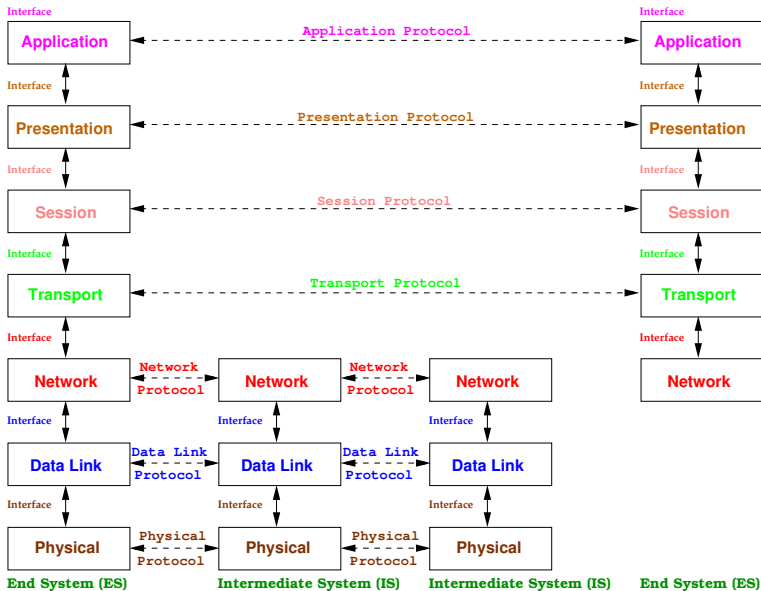
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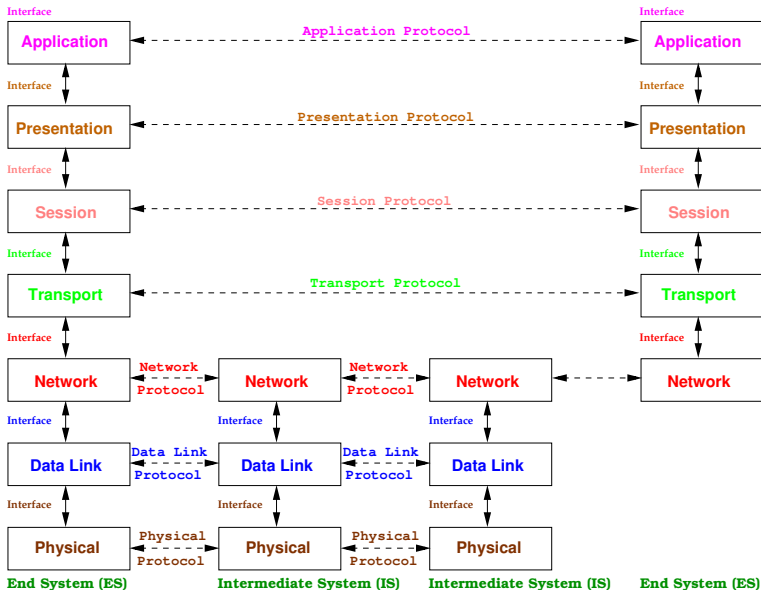
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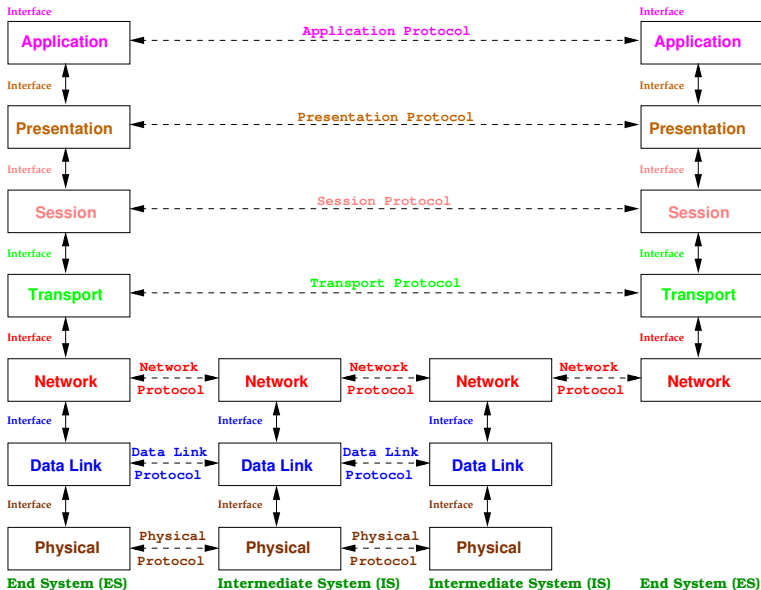
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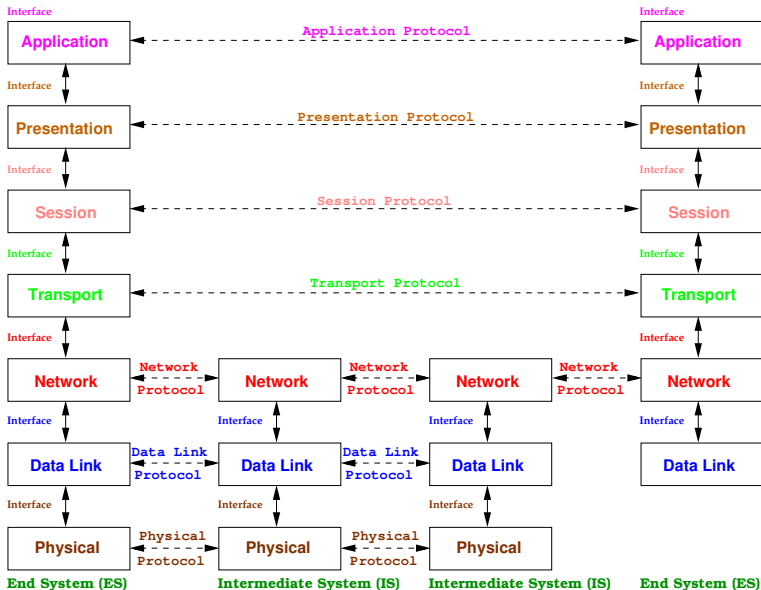
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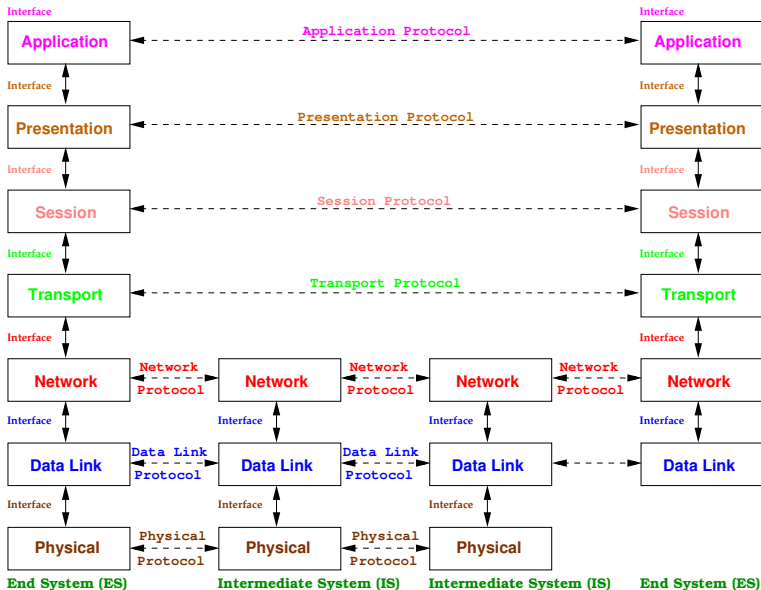
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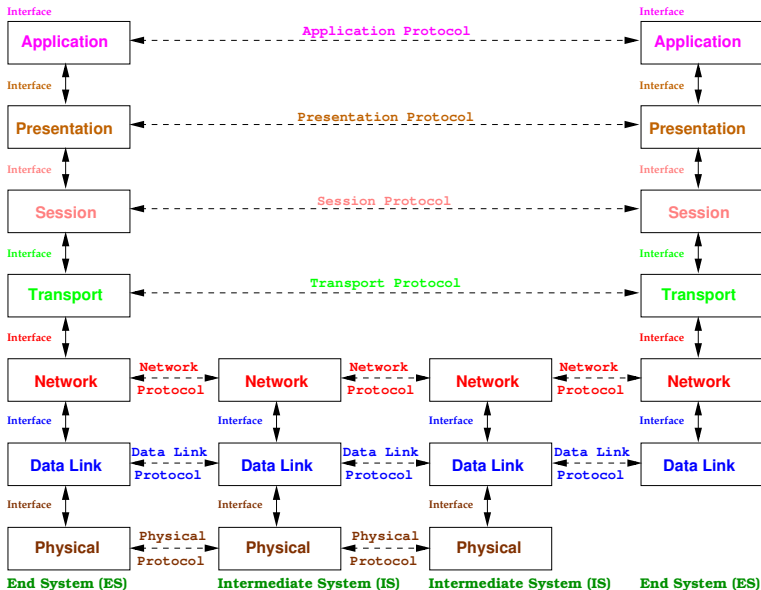
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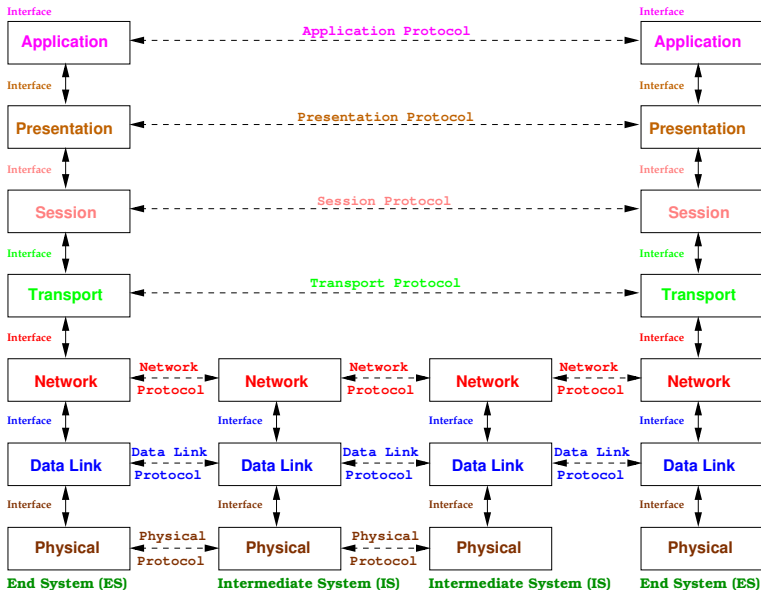
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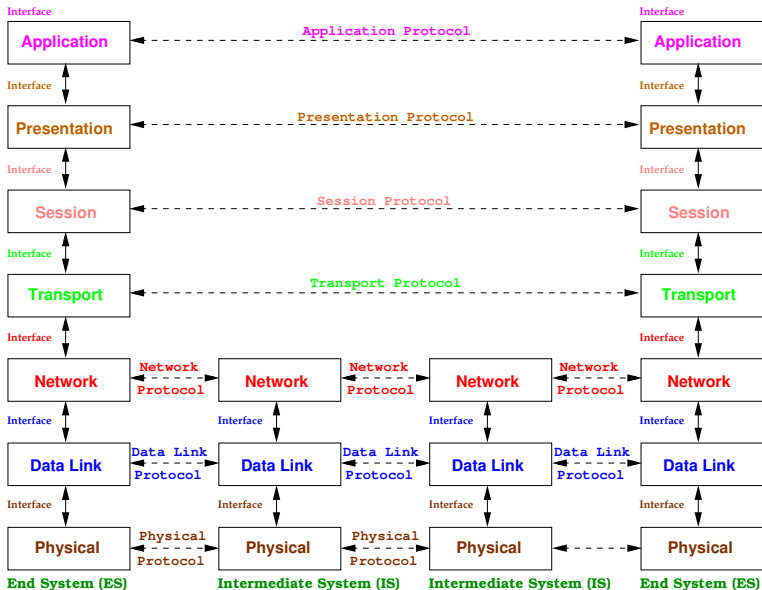
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