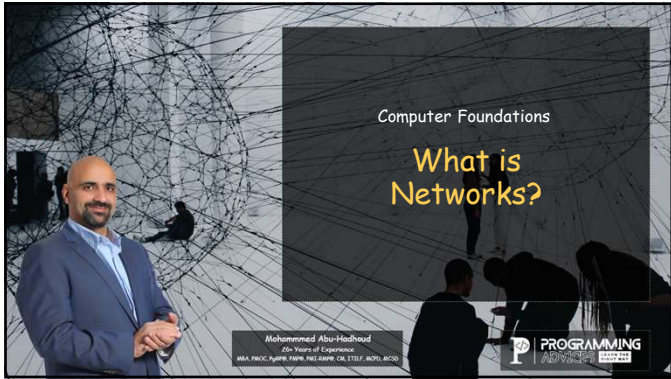1

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What is Network?

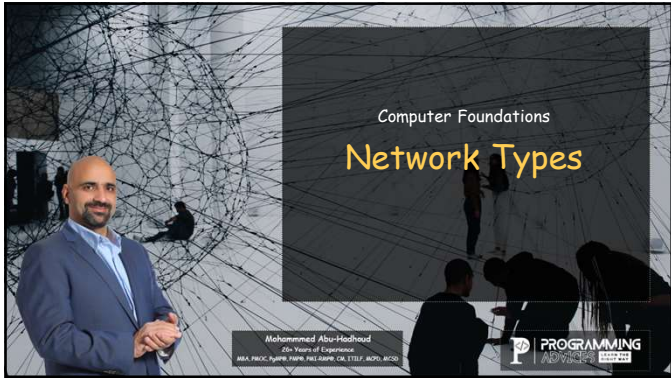**Network:** is a group of connected computer and devices.

- For example, the computers, phones, and other devices that your family owns are all part of your home computer network.

- When you get a new tablet and enter in the Wi-Fi password, you're joining that tablet to your home computer network.
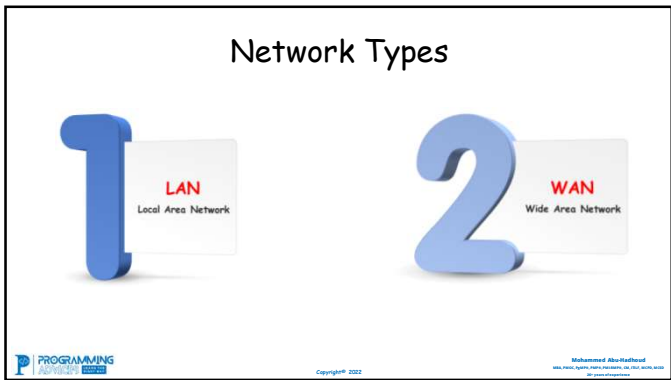
Why do we need Network?

- Devices in the same network can easily communicate and share resources with each other.

- For example : you can control your TV with your mobile, or you can stream videos from your mobile to your TV.

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What is LAN?

LAN: Local **A**rea **N**etwork **that has a group of connected devices.**

- LAN is a type of network made up of <u>nearby computers</u>.

- A LAN can have anywhere from a <u>few devices (like a home network)</u> to hundreds of devices (like a school or hospital)

- Large organizations like <u>colleges can have multiple LANs</u> - maybe one per building.

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Connection Types

Wired
Using wires or cables
With **Ethernet**

Wireless
Without wires using
Wi-Fi

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Communication Ways

Switch

Ethernet
Rules that computers follow for communicating on a wired network

Those Rules are called:

Protocol

Router

Wireless
Rules that computers follow for communicating through a radio signals

Wi-Fi is a popular way to connect wirelessly to a network.

Wi-Fi: Wireless Fidelity

Protocol: is a standard set of rules for how devices communicate through wires or wireless

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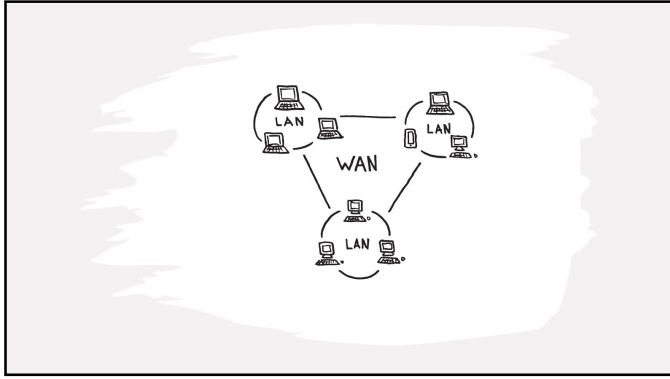20+ Years of Experience
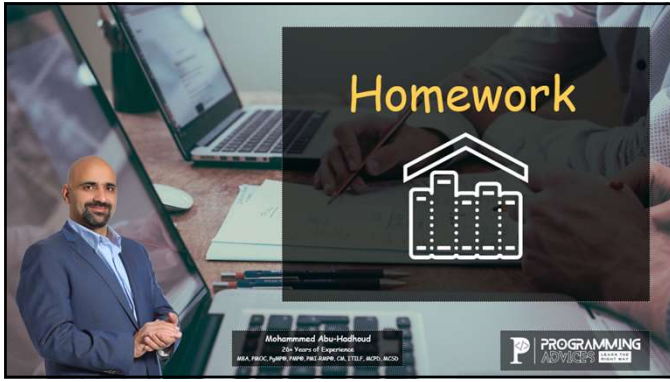
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What is WAN?

WAN: Wide **A**rea **N**etwork.

- WAN is made of connected LANs that are far from each other (like in different parts of the country or world).

- WANs connect thousands or even millions of devices.

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Answer the following questions:

- What is network?
- Why do we need network?
- What is LAN vs WAN?
- How computers communicate together?
- What is Ethernet?
- What is Wireless?
- What is Protocol?
- What is Wi-Fi?
- Wi-Fi stands for what?

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