

SY110 Networking – Wireless

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Wireless

Wireless - Other

- What layers are affected if we use wireless vs wired?
 - Physical layer
 - Link Layer
 - Nothing else, makes sense though right?
 - ★ We have to use a different type of frame header for wireless vs wired (Ethernet vs 802.11)

Let's learn some fancy WiFi words

- 802.11 standards (a, b, g, n, ac) dictate data rates, implementations, frequency bands, etc.
- Stations Any host with a WiFi NIC/radio that can communicate on 802.11
- 802.11 MAC address Exactly the same as a wired/Ethernet MAC address, just associated to the WiFi NIC
- AP or WAP An Access Point or Wireless AP is the Router/Switch of the local WiFI network
 - ▶ Not a hub like situation.... Ignore the notes...
- SSID The name of the WiFI network
 - ► ESSID Only used in ESS networks (Let's discuss what this means)
- BSSID the MAC address of the WAP

- Wireless Range... (ESS)
- Encryption Why is this so important compared to Ethernet/Wired
 - ► WEP < WPA < WPA2
- Network Configuration and WiFi comms re-hash





Questions?