

Client Server and Peer-to-Peer Networking

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- 1. In Client Server architecture, what is the central component?**
 - a. The server that each client must access to retrieve information or an application
- 2. What are the advantages of Client Server architecture?**
 - a. Great performance and easy administration of the one machine
- 3. What are the disadvantages of Client Server architecture?**
 - a. Expensive hardware more complex architecture and experience is needed to administer

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Applications generally have two different technologies to operate:

1. Client Server
2. Peer-to-peer

Client Server

- Clients talk to a central server
 - o No client-to-client communication
 - One work station will not communicate to another work station when requesting application data
- Advantages:
 - o Great performance
 - A single server designed to operate at high speed
 - A single server can be maintained better
- Disadvantages:
 - o Cost; hardware and maintenance is expensive
 - Complex architecture... Experienced administrators needed

Peer-to-Peer

- All devices on the network communicate with each other
 - o Act as both the client and server to an application
 - Each device can contain files and pull files from one another
- **Advantages:**
 - o Easy to deploy; low cost
- **Disadvantage:**
 - o The application is everywhere...
 - If you need to update, you update on ALL machines
 - o Can't secure information well enough, there's information on ALL machines
 - o Administration is tough...