# Computer and Networking Lab

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## 1 Administrivia

#### Announcements

Quiz on Friday. Question and answer period Wednesday. Sample quiz and solution.

#### Assignment

Read 2.1–5. Online quiz.

#### From Last Time

Hardware show and tell.

#### Outline

- 1. Introduction.
- 2. Lab.

#### Coming Up

AUPs, passwords, viruses.

### 2 Introduction

- 1. Why buy more RAM when my PC is slow?
- 2. What is a basic PC today? Why might I want more or less?
  - (a) 2.0 GHz Intel or AMD processor.
  - (b) 128–256 MB RAM (watch out for video sharing).
  - (c) 40 GB hard drive.
  - (d) CD-ROM, CD-RW, or DVD-ROM drive.
  - (e) 56K modem and/or network interface card.
  - (f) Audio card, speakers.
  - (g) 15" or 17" monitor (often not included).
  - (h) Basic \$100 inkjet printer (often not included).
- 3. Notebook PCs.
- 4. Good brands. Good places to buy.
- 5. Why might I want a MAC?

### 3 Lab