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Overview

## Client-server paradigm

# Typical network app has two parts: Client and Server

#### Client

- initiates contact with server ("client speaks first")
- typically requests service from server
- Web: client implemented in browser
- email: client in mail reader

#### Server

- provides requested service to client
- e.g. Web server sends requested
   Web page, mail server delivers e-mail





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What transport service does an application need?

#### Data loss

- some apps (e.g. audio) can tolerate some loss
- other apps (e.g. file transfer) require 100% reliable data transfer

#### Timing

 some apps (e.g. Internet telephony, interactive games) require low delay to be "effective"

#### Bandwidth

- some apps (e.g. multimedia) require minimum amount of bandwidth to be "effective"
- other apps ("elastic apps") make use of whatever bandwidth they get

## API: Application Programming Interface

- Defines interface between application and transport lavers
- socket: Internet API
- two processes communicate by sending data into socket, reading data out of socket
- How does a process identify the other process with which it wants to communicate?
  - IP address of host running other process
  - "port number": allows receiving host to determine to which local process the message should be delivered
  - lots more on this later...

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## Transport service requirements of common applications

	Application	Data loss	Bandwidth	Time Sensitive
- - rea	file transfer	no loss	elastic	no
	e-mail	no loss	elastic	no
	Web documents	loss-tolerant	elastic	no
	al-time audio/video	loss-tolerant	audio: 5Kb-1Mb	yes, 100's msec
			video:10Kb-5Mb	
	stored audio/video	loss-tolerant	same as above	yes, few secs
-	interactive games	loss-tolerant	few Kbps up	yes, 100's msec
	financial apps	no loss	elastic	yes and no



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#### Internet transport protocols services

#### **TCP** service

- connection-oriented: setup required between client, server
- reliable transport between sending and receiving process
- flow control: sender won't
   overwhelm receiver
- congestion control: throttle sender when network overloaded
- does not provide timing, minimum bandwidth guarantees

#### **UDP** service

- unreliable data transfer between sending and receiving process
- does not provide connection setup, reliability, flow control, congestion control, timing, or bandwidth guarantee
- Why bother? Why is there a UDP service at all?!?



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## The Web: The http protocol

#### http: hypertext transfer protocol

- Web's application layer
   protocol
- client/server model
  - *client:* browser that requests, receives, and "displays" Web objects
  - server: Web server sends objects in response to requests
- http 1.0: RFC 1945
- http 1.1: RFC 2616



	Application	Application layer protocol	Underlying transport protocol
	e-mail	smtp [RFC 821] telnet [RFC 854]	TCP
	Web	http [RFC 2068]	TCP
	file transfer streaming multimedia	ttp [RFC 959] proprietary	TCP TCP or UDP
	remote file server	NFS proprietary	TCP or UDP
-		(e.g. Vocaltec)	
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## Example for http

Suppose user enters URL www.inf.ethz.ch/education/index.html (assume that web page contains text, references to 10 jpeg images)

- http client initiates TCP connection to http server (process) at www.inf.ethz.ch. Port 80 is default for http server.
- http client sends http request message (containing URL) into TCP connection socket
- http server at host www.inf.ethz.ch waiting for TCP connection at port 80, "accepts" connection, notifies client
- 4. http server receives request message, forms *response message* containing requested object (index.html in directory education), sends message into socket

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## Non-persistent vs. persistent connections

#### Non-persistent

- http/1.0
- server parses request, responds, closes TCP connection
- 2 RTTs (round-trip-time) to fetch object
  - TCP connection
  - object request/transfer
- each transfer suffers from TCP's initially slow sending rate
- many browsers open multiple parallel connections

#### Persistent

- default for http/1.1
- on same TCP connection: server, parses request, responds, parses new request,...
- client sends requests for all referenced objects as soon as it receives base HTML
- fewer RTTs, less slow start

6. http client receives response message containing html file, displays html. Parsing html file, finds 10 referenced jpeg pictures
Then... Steps 1-6 repeated for each of the 10 jpeg objects
time
time
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Example for http (continued)

- two types of http messages: request, response
- http request message: ASCII (human-readable format)

#### request line (GET, POST, HEAD commands) header lines GET /somedir/page.html HTTP/1.1 Host: www.servername.com User-agent: Mozilla/4.0 Accept-language: de Carriage return and line feed indicate end of message





### User-server interaction: authentication

• server-generated #, server- Authentication: control access server client client server remembered #. later used for to server content usual http request msg usual http request msg - authentication authorization credentials: 401: authorization reg. remembering user usual http response + typically name and password WWW-authenticate: preferences Set-cookie: # stateless: client must present remembering previous authorization in each request choices usual http request msg usual http request msg authorization: header line in – (...privacy?) cookie-Cookie: # + Authorization: <cred> each request specific server sends "cookie" to client usual http response msg usual http response msg - if no authorization: header. action in response msg Set-cookie: 1678453 server refuses access. sends client presents cookie in later usual http request msg usual http request msg cookierequests + Authorization: <cred> Cookie: # WWW authenticate: Cookie: 1678453 specific time usual http response msg action usual http response msg header line in response Distributed Computing Group Computer Networks R. Wattenhofer 2/21 Distributed Computing Group Computer Networks R. Wattenhofer 2/22 Conditional GET: client-side caching Web Caches (a.k.a. proxy server) client server Goal: don't send object if · Goal: satisfy client client has up-to-date cached origin request without involving http request msg server version origin server If-modified-since: object proxy <date> User sets browser: Web not F Client: specify date of cached server -modified accesses via web cache http response copy in http request client http response • Client sends all http If-modified-since: HTTP/1.0 requests to web cache <date> 304 Not Modified - object in web cache: Server: response contains no object if cached copy is up-toweb cache returns http request msg date: object If-modified-since: HTTP/1.0 304 Not object else web cache <date> client Modified modified origin requests object from http response server origin server, then HTTP/1.1 200 OK returns object to client <data> 2/24

Cookies: keeping "state"

## Why Web Caching?

- Assumption: cache is "close" to client (e.g. in same network)
- Smaller response time: cache "closer" to client
- Decrease traffic to distant servers
- Link out of institutional/local ISP network is often a bottleneck

public Internet 1.5 Mbps access link 100 Mbps LAN

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## ftp: separate control and data connections

- ftp client contacts ftp server at port 21, specifying TCP as transport protocol
- two parallel TCP connections opened
  - control: exchange commands, responses between client, server.
     "out of band control"
  - data: file data to/from server
- ftp server maintains "state": current directory, earlier authentication



## ftp: The file transfer protocol

- transfer file to/from remote host
- · client/server model
  - client: side that initiates transfer (either to/from remote)
  - server: remote host
- ftp: RFC 959
- ftp server: port 21



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## ftp commands and responses

#### Sample commands

- sent as ASCII text over control channel
- USER username
- PASS password
- LIST returns list of files in current directory
- **RETR filename** retrieves (gets) file
- **STOR filename** stores (puts) file onto remote host

#### Sample return codes

- status code and phrase (as in http)
- 331 Username OK, password required
- 125 data connection already open; transfer starting
- 425 Can't open data connection
- 452 Error writing file





#### **Electronic Mail**

#### Three major components

- user agents
- mail servers
- simple mail transfer protocol: smtp

#### User Agent

- a.k.a. "mail reader"
- composing, editing, reading mail messages
- Examples: Outlook, Netscape Messenger, elm, Eudora
- outgoing, incoming messages stored on server



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## Electronic Mail: SMTP

- uses TCP to reliably transfer email message from client to server, on port 25
- · direct transfer: sending server to receiving server
- three phases of transfer
  - handshake (greeting)
  - transfer of messages
  - closure
- command/response interaction
  - commands: ASCII text
  - response: status code and phrase
- SMTP: RFC 821



## Electronic Mail: mail servers

- mailbox contains incoming messages (yet to be read) for user
- message queue of outgoing (to be sent) mail messages
- smtp protocol between mail servers to send email messages
  - "client": sending mail server
  - "server": receiving mail server
- Why not sending directly?



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#### Sample smtp interaction

- S: 220 hamburger.edu
- C: HELO crepes.fr
- S: 250 Hello crepes.fr, pleased to meet you
- C: MAIL FROM: <alice@crepes.fr>
- S: 250 alice@crepes.fr... Sender ok
- C: RCPT TO: <bob@hamburger.edu>
- S: 250 bob@hamburger.edu ... Recipient ok
- C: DATA
- S: 354 Enter mail, end with "." on a line by itself
- C: Do you like ketchup?
- C: How about pickles?
- с. .
- S: 250 Message accepted for delivery
- C: QUIT
- S: 221 hamburger.edu closing connection

You can be your own smtp client: telnet to a mail server you know (telnet mail.inf.ethz.ch 25) and play with the protocol...



#### smtp: more details

- smtp uses persistent connections
- smtp requires message (header & body) to be in 7-bit ASCII
- certain character strings not permitted in msg (e.g., CRLF.CRLF, which is used to determine the end of a message by the server).
- Thus msg has to be encoded (usually into either base-64 or quoted printable)

Comparison with http

- http: pull
- email: push
- both have ASCII command/response interaction and status codes
- http: each object encapsulated in its own response msg (1.0), or by use of content-length field (1.1)
- smtp: multiple objects sent in multipart msg (as we will see on the next slides)

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## Message format: multimedia extensions

- MIME: multimedia mail extension, RFC 2045, 2056
- additional lines in message header declare MIME content type

#### From: alice@crepes.fr MIME version To: bob@hamburger.edu Subject: Picture of yummy crepe. method used MIME-Version: 1.0 to encode data Content-Transfer-Encoding: base64 Content-Type: image/jpeg multimedia data type, subtype, base64 encoded data ..... parameter declaration .....base64 encoded data encoded data



## Mail message format

- smtp: protocol for exchanging email msgs
- RFC 822: standard for text message format:
- header lines, e.g.
  - To:
  - From:
  - Subject:
  - (!) Caution: these are not smtp commands! They are like the header of a letter, whereas smtp commands are like the address on the envelope
- body
  - the "message"
  - ASCII characters only



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#### MIME types

#### Content-Type: type/subtype; parameters Text Video example subtypes: plain, example subtypes: mpeg, enriched, html quicktime Application Image example subtypes: jpeg, gif other data that must be processed by reader before "viewable" Audio example subtypes: msword, example subtypes: basic (8-bit octet-stream mu-law encoded), 32kadpcm (32 kbps coding)



#### MIME Multipart Type

From: alice@crepes.fr SMTP: delivery/storage to receiver's server To: bob@hamburger.edu Subject: Picture of yummy crepe. Mail access protocol: retrieval from server • MIME-Version: 1.0 Content-Type: multipart/mixed; boundary=98766789 - POP: Post Office Protocol [RFC 1939] • authorization (agent <-->server) and download --98766789 IMAP: Internet Mail Access Protocol [RFC 2060] Content-Transfer-Encoding: guoted-printable Content-Type: text/plain more features (more complex) · manipulation of stored messages on server Dear Bob, Please find a picture of a crepe. HTTP: Hotmail, Yahoo! Mail, etc. --98766789 Content-Transfer-Encoding: base64 SMTP SMTP POP3 or Content-Type: image/jpeg IMAF base64 encoded data ..... .....base64 encoded data receiver's mail sender's mail --98766789-server server Distributed Computing Group Computer Networks R. Wattenhofer 2/37 Distributed Computing Group Computer Networks R. Wattenhofer 2/38

## POP3 protocol

	S: +OK POP3 server ready
Authorization phase	C: user alice
client commands:	S: +OK
	C: pass hungry
- user: declare username	S: +OK user successfully logged on
<ul> <li>pass: password</li> </ul>	C. list
<ul> <li>server responses</li> </ul>	5. 1 498
– +OK	5. 2 912
FRB	S. 2 912
Transation above	C: retr 1
I ransaction phase	$\rightarrow$ S. (message 1 contents)
<ul> <li>client commands</li> </ul>	S: .
<ul> <li>list: list message numbers</li> </ul>	C: dele 1
<ul> <li>retr: retrieve message by</li> </ul>	C: retr 2
number	S: <message 1="" contents=""></message>
- dele: delete	s: .
	C: dele 2
– quit	C: guit
2	S: +OK POP3 server signing off
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## DNS: Domain Name System

Mail access protocols

People have many identifiers

 passport number, AHV number, student number, name, etc.

Internet hosts, routers

- IP address (129.132.130.152); used for addressing datagrams
- Name (photek.ethz.ch); used by humans
- We need a map from names to IP addresses (and vice versa?)

**Domain Name System** 

- distributed database implemented in hierarchy of many name servers
- application-layer protocol host, routers, name servers to communicate to resolve names (name/address translation)
  - note: is a core Internet function, but only implemented as applicationlayer protocol
  - complexity at network's "edge"



#### DNS name servers

#### Why not centralize DNS?

- single point of failure
- · traffic volume
- · distant centralized database
- maintenance

#### ... it does not scale!

 no server has all name-to-IP address mappings local name servers

- each ISP, company has local (default) name server
- host DNS query first goes to
- local name server

#### authoritative name server

- for a host: stores that host's IP address, name
- can perform name/address translation for that host's name

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## Simple DNS example

- host photek.ethz.ch wants IP address of gaia.cs.umass.edu
- 1. contact local DNS server, dns.ethz.ch
- 2. dns.ethz.ch contacts root name server, if necessary
- root name server contacts authoritative name server, dns.umass.edu, if necessary





hz.ch gaia.cs.umass.edu



## DNS: Root name servers

- · contacted by local name server that cannot resolve name
- root name server
  - contacts authoritative name server if name mapping not known
  - gets mapping
  - returns mapping to local name server
  - currently 13 root name servers worldwide



## DNS extended example

Root name server:

- may not know
   authoritative name server
- may know intermediate name server: who to contact to find authoritative name server



root name server



## DNS Iterated queries



DNS: distributed database storing resource records (RR)

RR format: (name, ttl, class, type, value)

- Type=A
  - name is hostname
  - value is IP address
- Type=NS
  - name is domain (e.g. foo.com)
  - value is IP address of authoritative name server for this domain
- Type=CNAME
  - name is alias name for some "canonical" (the real) name www.ibm.com is really
    - servereast.backup2.ibm.com
  - value is canonical name
  - Type=MX
    - value is name of mail server associated with name

## DNS: Caching and updating records

- once (any) name server learns mapping, it *caches* mapping
   cache entries timeout (disappear) after some time
- update/notify mechanisms under design by IETF
  - RFC 2136
  - http://www.ietf.org/html.charters/dnsind-charter.html

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#### Example of DNS lookup

<pre>host -v dcg.ethz.ch Trying "dcg.ethz.ch" ;; -&gt;&gt;HEADER&lt;&lt;- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 27554 ;; flags: qr aa rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 3,</pre>								
;; QUESTION SECTION:								
;dcg.ethz.ch.		IN	ANY					
;; ANSWER SECTION:								
dcg.ethz.ch.	86400	IN	CNAME	dcg.inf.ethz.ch.				
;; AUTHORITY SECTION:								
ethz.ch.	3600000	IN	NS	dnsl.ethz.ch.				
ethz.ch.	3600000	IN	NS	dns2.ethz.ch.				
ethz.ch.	3600000	IN	NS	dns3.ethz.ch.				
;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:								
dnsl.ethz.ch.	86400	IN	A	129.132.98.12				
dns2.ethz.ch.	86400	IN	A	129.132.250.220				
dns3.ethz.ch.	86400	IN	A	129.132.250.2				



## DNS protocol, messages

#### DNS protocol

• guery and reply messages, both with same message format

identification

number of questions

umber of authority RRs

flads

number of answer RRs

number of additional RRs

auestions

(variable number of questions)

answers (variable number of resource records)

authority

(variable number of resource records) additional information (variable number of resource records)

12 bytes

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#### msg header

• identification: 16 bit number for query, reply to query uses same number

#### flags: ٠

- query or reply
- recursion desired
- recursion available
- reply is authoritative



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## Socket programming

#### Goal

 Learn building client/server applications that communicate using sockets, the standard application programming interface

#### Socket API

- introduced in BSD4.1 UNIX, • 1981
- explicitly created, used, released by applications
- client/server paradigm
- two types of transport service via socket API
  - unreliable datagram
  - reliable, byte streamoriented

#### socket -

a host-local, applicationcreated/owned, OS-controlled interface (a "door") into which application process can both send and receive messages to/from another (remote or local) application process

## DNS protocol, messages





## Socket programming with TCP

Client must contact server

- server process must first be running already
- server must have created socket ("door") that welcomes client's contact

Client contacts server by

- creating client-local TCP socket
- specifying IP address and port number of server process

- When client creates socket: client TCP establishes connection to server TCP
- When contacted by client, server TCP creates new socket for server process to communicate with client
  - allows server to talk with multiple clients

 application viewpoint
 TCP provides reliable, in-order transfer of bytes ("pipe") between client and server

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# Client/server socket interaction with TCP (Java)

Client Server (running on hostid) create socket. port=x, for incoming request: welcomeSocket = ServerSocket() TCP create socket, wait for incoming connection setup connect to hostid. port=x connection request clientSocket = connectionSocket = Socket() welcomeSocket.accept() send request using read request from clientSocket connectionSocket write reply to connectionSocket read reply from clientSocket close 🕴 close connectionSocket clientSocket Distributed Computing Group Computer Networks R. Wattenhofer

## Socket programming with TCP (Java)

Example client-server application

- client reads line from standard input (inFromUser stream), sends to server via socket (outToServer stream)
- · server reads line from socket
- server converts line to uppercase, sends back to client
- client reads and prints modified line from socket (inFromServer stream)



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class TCPClient { public static void main(String argv[]) throws Exception { String sentence; String modifiedSentence;

Create input stream BufferedReader inFromUser = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in)); Create client socket, Socket clientSocket = new Socket("hostname", 6789);

> DataOutputStream outToServer = new DataOutputStream(clientSocket.getOutputStream());



Create

output stream

attached to socket

## Example: Java client (TCP), continued





## Example: Java client (UDP), continued



## Example: Eiffel Server (TCP - stream socket)



the server obtains access to the server Receives a message from the accept - ensures synchronization to with the client client, extend it, and send it back. accept - creates a new socket which is accesible through the attribute accepted the accepted value is assigned to soc2 - this makes process is soc1 available to accept connections with other local clients our new list: OUR MESSAGE do The message exchanged between soc1 accept server and client is a linked list of soc2 ?= soc1.accepted strinas our new list ?= retrieved (soc2) class OUR MESSAGE from our\_new\_list.start inherit until LINKED LIST our new list.after [STRING] loop STORABLE io.putstring (our\_new\_list.item) undefine our new list forth is\_equal, copy io.new line end end create our new list extend ("Server message, %N") make our\_new\_list.general\_store (soc2) end Extends the message received from the client soc2.close end Sends the extended message back to the client end Closes the socket Distributed Computing Group Computer Networks R. Wattenhofer 2/70

Example: Eiffel Server (TCP - stream socket), continued

#### Example: Eiffel Client (TCP - stream socket) class OUR CLIENT inherit NETWORK CLIENT redefine received end create make client feature The message exchanged our list: OUR MESSAGE between server and client received: OUR\_MESSAGE 1. Creates a socket and setup the communication make client (argv: ARRAY [STRING]) is - Build list, send it, receive modified list, and print it. dc if argv.count /= 3 then io.error.putstring ("Usage: ") io.error.putstring (argv.item (0)) 2. Builds the list of strings io.error.putstring ("hostname portnumber") 4. Receives the message from the server make (argv.item (2).to\_integer, argv.item (1)) build list 5 Prints the content of send (our list) the received message receive process\_received Sends the list of strings cleanup to the server 6. Closes the open socket end and free the corresponding rescue cleanup resources end Distributed Computing Group Computer Networks R. Wattenhofer 2/71

## Example: Eiffel Client (TCP - stream socket), continued



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#### Example: Eiffel Server (UDP - datagram socket)

#### Example: Eiffel Server (UDP - datagram socket), continued



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#### Example: Eiffel Client (UDP - datagram socket), continued





## Example: Eiffel Command class (UDP - datagram socket)



#### Example: Eiffel Command class (UDP - datagram socket), cont