

CLIENT SERVER ARCHITECTURE

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COMPUTING 1960-1980 (ISH)



“DUMB” TERMINAL



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MAINFRAME

COMPUTING 1980-2000 (ISH)



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COMPUTING 2000 – PRESENT



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GENERAL IDEAS BEHIND CLIENT-SERVER

- Put a bunch of resources in a high-performance, centralized machine
- Clients can be much “dumber” *by comparison*
- Much more efficient
 - Sharing data between devices, applications, and people (and marketing)
 - Access from multiple locations (including hackers!)
 - Time-sharing a central machine is more scalable and cost-effective

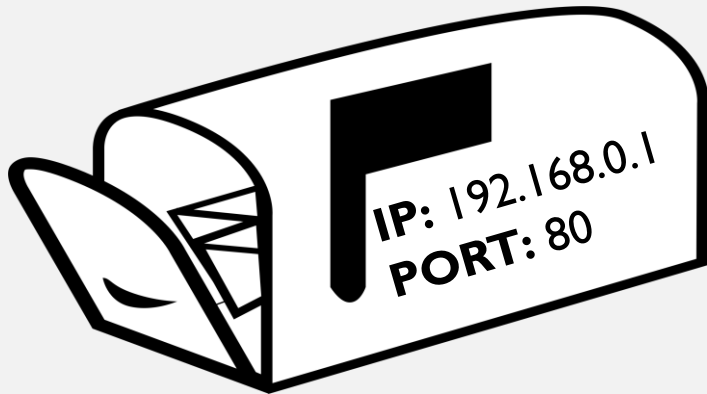
SERVER ABSTRACTION



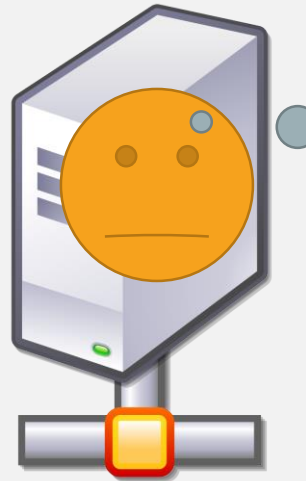
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SERVER ***LISTENS*** FOR INCOMING REQUESTS

PREVIEW OF TCP/IP



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Now I have an
Address/Port! Maybe
I'll get Requests!

SERVER HAS AN IP ADDRESS AND TCP PORT

MEANWHILE, CLIENT ABSTACTION



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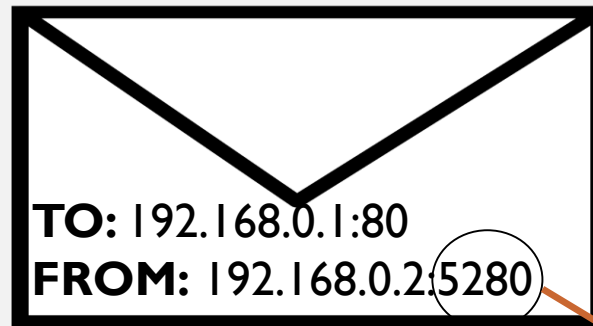


CLIENT **CONNECTS** TO MAKE OUTBOUND REQUESTS

TCP/IP AGAIN



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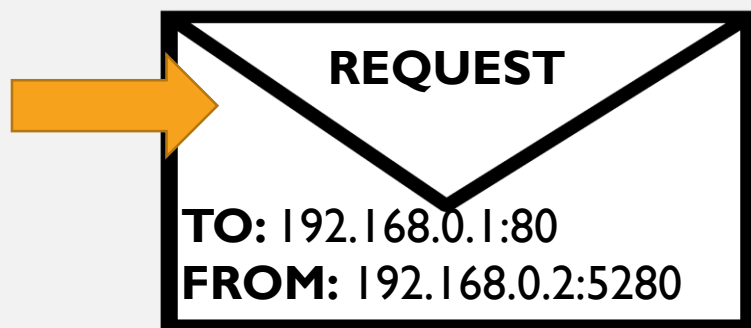
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HELLO?!

Usually random

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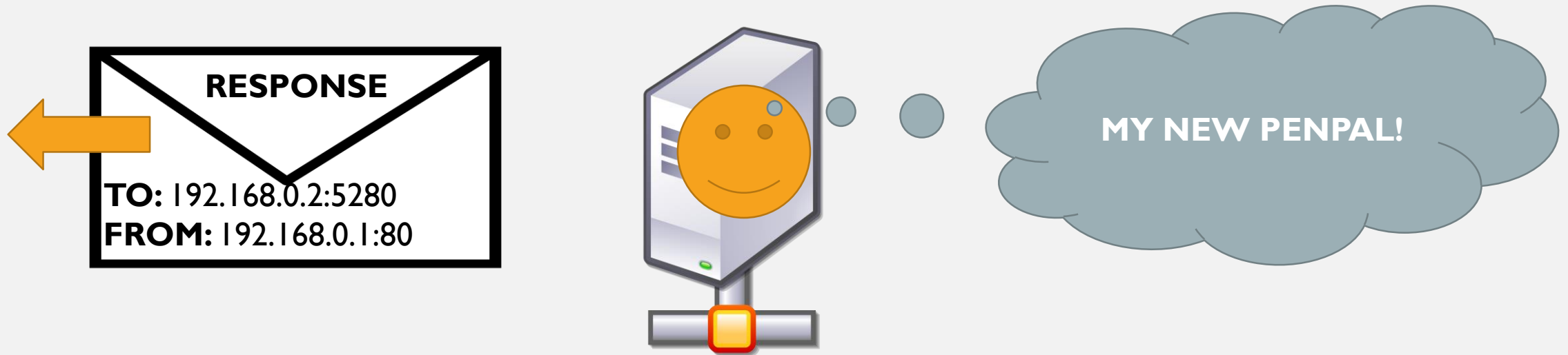


I GOT A REQUEST!!!

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SERVER RECEIVES REQUEST

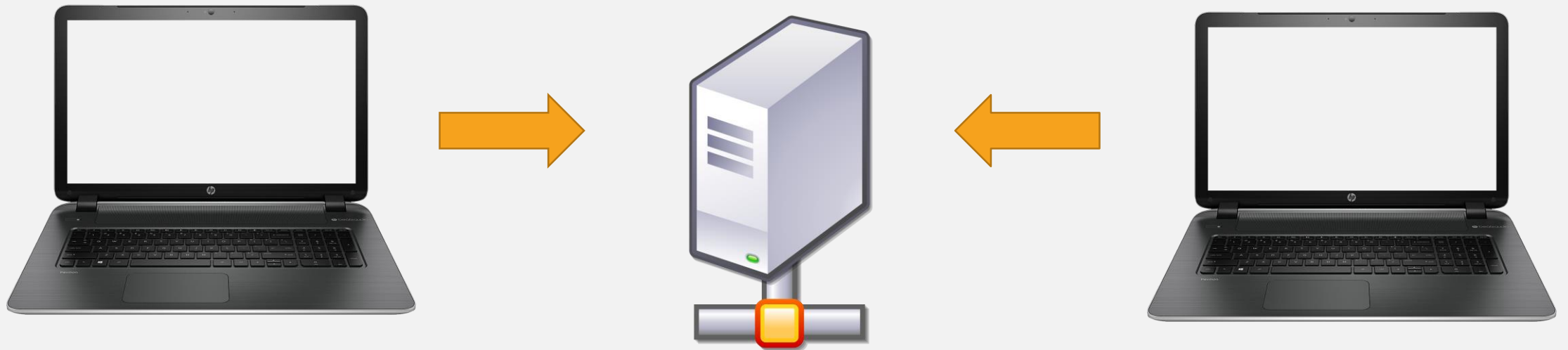
REQUEST RESPONSE



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SERVER **INVERTS TO/FROM** FOR RESPONSE

SERVER LISTENS TO MANY REQUESTS



SERVER USES **(SRC IP, SRC PORT, DST IP, DST PORT)*** TO MULTIPLEX

This is how one server on one port (e.g., webserver) handles many clients

SOCKETS

- Sockets are a simple abstraction of client-server
- Thus, there is a “client” socket and “server” socket
- The server socket *listens* for incoming connections
- The client socket makes an outbound connection to server
- The server *accepts* the incoming connection and spawns a connected socket

PYTHON SERVER SOCKET

Echo server program

import socket

HOST = ''

Symbolic name meaning all available interfaces

PORT = 50007

Arbitrary non-privileged port

with socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM) **as** s:

s.bind((HOST, PORT))

s.listen(1)

conn, addr = s.accept()

with conn:

print('Connected by', addr)

while True:

data = conn.recv(1024)

if not data: **break**

conn.sendall(data)

Basically, local IP address



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IP network, Streaming is TCP



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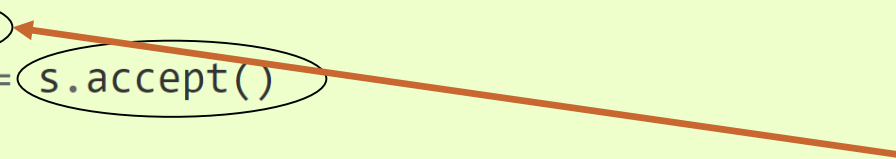
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Listen with backlog of one



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Accept the new incoming connection



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**This is the spawned socket for the specific
(SRC IP, SRC PORT, DST IP, DST PORT)
ALSO OF TYPE SOCKET!!!!**

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With threads or non-blocking I/O, could have two+ conn's at the same time

PYTHON CLIENT SOCKET

```
# Echo client program
import socket

HOST = 'daring.cwi.nl' # The remote host
PORT = 50007 # The same port as used by the server
with socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM) as s:
    s.connect((HOST, PORT))
    s.sendall(b'Hello, world')
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print('Received', repr(data))
```

Server name (could also be IP addr)

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Server port; client's host/port determined automatically

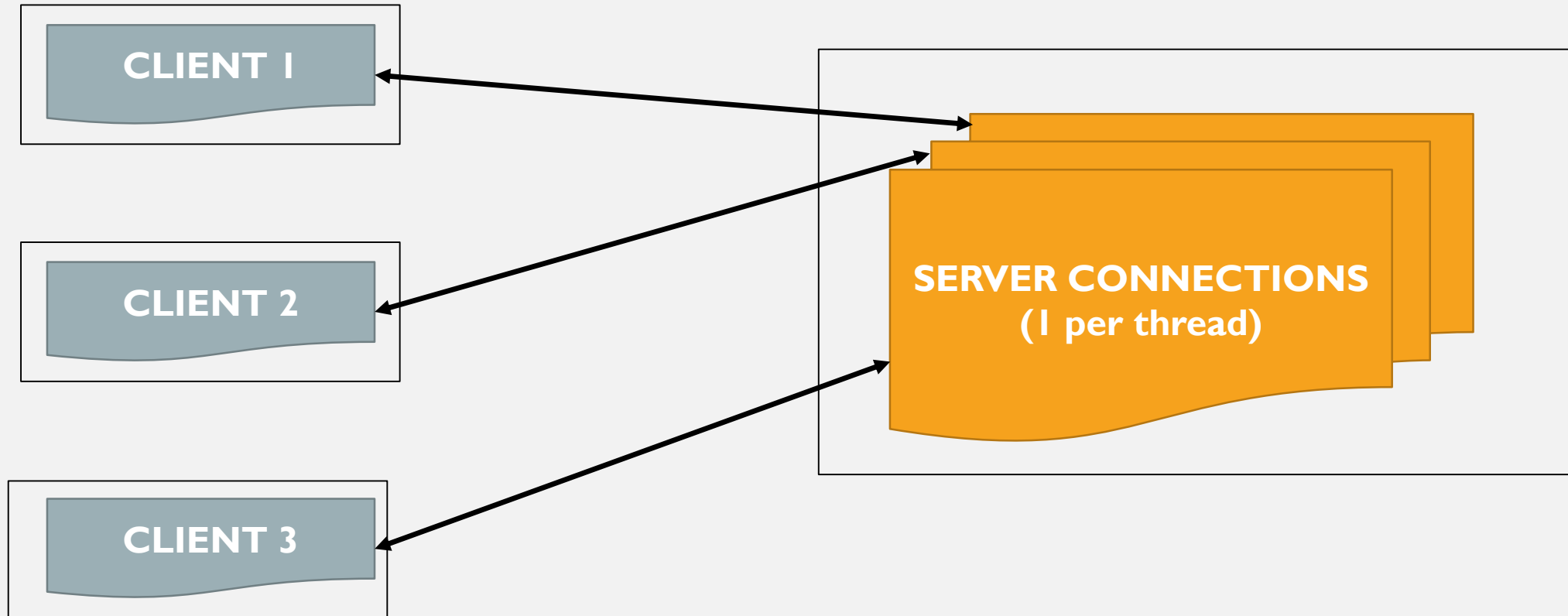
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Blocking call; will raise exception on failure

CLASSIC SOCKETS DESIGN (THREADS)



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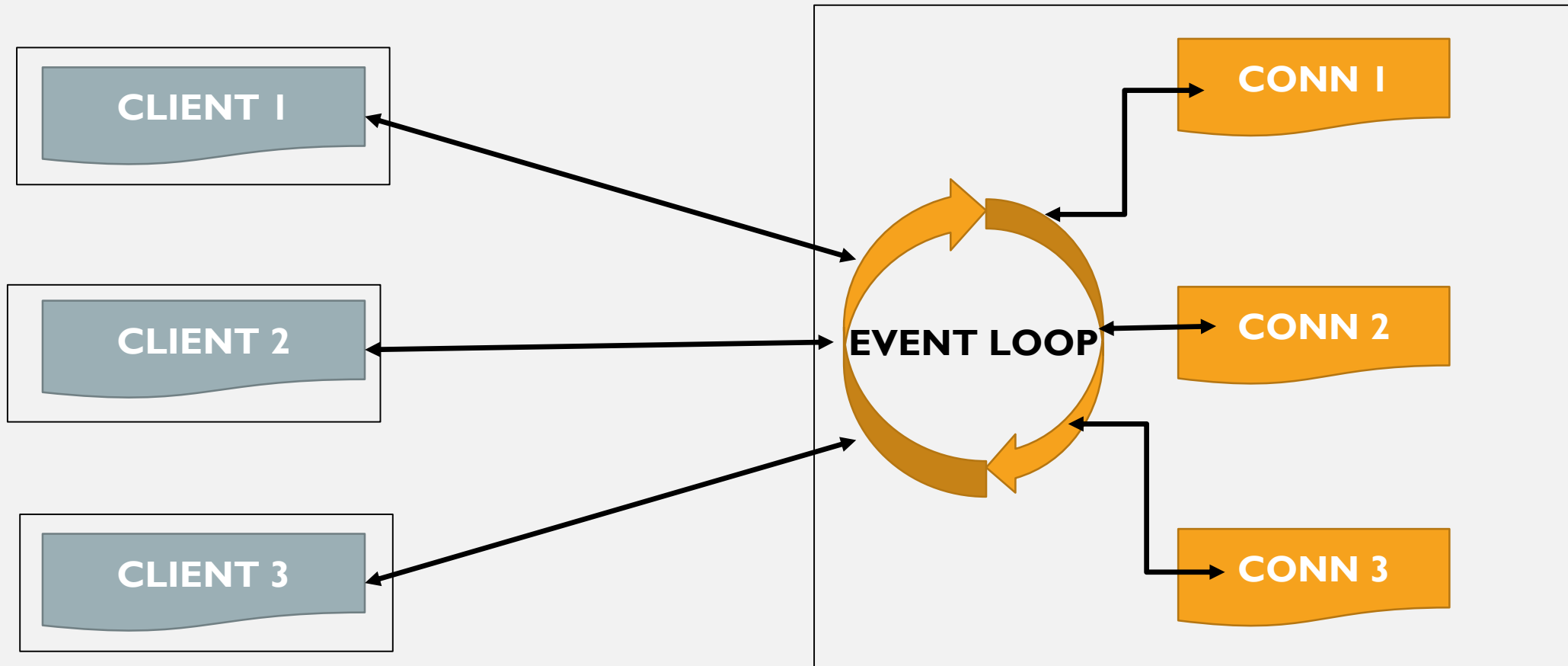
```
server_socket.listen(backlog)
```

```
LOOP forever;
```

```
    conn, addr = server_socket.accept()
```

```
    run_thread(server_handling_function, conn, addr)
```


CLASSIC SOCKETS DESIGN (EVENTS)



PSEUDO CODE

`server_socket.listen(backlog)`

`all_sockets = [server_socket]`

LOOP forever

 BLOCK until any socket in `all_sockets` is ready to read or write

`ready_socket = socket in all_sockets ready to read or write`

 IF `ready_socket == server_socket`:

`conn, addr = ready_socket.accept()`

`all_sockets.append(conn)`

 ELSE: handle client data