

4. Accepting a connection from the client

The accept function is used on the server in the case of connection oriented communication to accept a connection request from a client.

int accept(int fd, struct sockaddr * addressp, int * addrlen);

The first field is the descriptor of the server socket that is listening. The second parameter **addressp** points to a socket address structure that will be filled by the address of calling client when the function returns. The third parameter **addrlen** is an integer that will contain the actual length of address structure of the client. It returns an integer that is a descriptor of a new socket called the connection socket. Server sockets send data and read data from this socket. The header files used are sys/types.h and sys/socket.h.

Algorithm

Client

1. Create socket
2. Connect the socket to the server
3. Read the string to be reversed from the standard input and send it to the server
Read the matrices from the standard input and send it to server using socket
4. Read the reversed string from the socket and display it on the standard output
Read product matrix from the socket and display it on the standard output
5. Close the socket

Server

1. Create listening socket
2. bind IP address and port number to the socket
3. listen for incoming requests on the listening socket
4. accept the incoming request
5. connection socket is created when accept returns
6. Read the string using the connection socket from the client
7. Reverse the string
8. Send the string to the client using the connection socket
9. close the connection socket
10. close the listening socket

Client Program

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#include<stdio.h>
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