

<b>Ex.No:2</b>	<b>STUDY OF BASIC FUNCTIONS OF SOCKET PROGRAMMING</b>
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To discuss some of the basic functions used for socket programming.

## 1. man socket

### NAME:

Socket – create an endpoint for communication.

### SYNOPSIS:

```
#include<sys/types.h>
#include<sys/socket.h>
int socket(int domain,int type,int protocol);
eg: sd=socket(AF_INET,SOCK_STREAM,0);
```

### DESCRIPTION:

- Socket creates an endpoint for communication and returns a descriptor.
- The domain parameter specifies a common domain this selects the protocol family which will be used for communication.
- These families are defined in <sys/socket.h>.

### FORMAT:

NAME	PURPOSE
PF_UNIX,PF_LOCAL	Local Communication.
PF_INET	IPV4 Internet Protocols.
PF_IPX	IPX-Novell Protocols.
PF_APPLETALK	Apple Talk.

- The socket has the indicated type, which specifies the communication semantics.

### TYPES:

#### 1.SOCK\_STREAM:

- Provides sequenced , reliable, two-way , connection based byte streams.
- An out-of-band data transmission mechanism, may be supported.

#### 2.SOCK\_DGRAM:

- Supports datagram (connectionless, unreliable messages of a fixed

maximum length).

### **3.SOCK\_SEQPACKET:**

- Provides a sequenced , reliable, two-way connection based data transmission path for datagrams of fixed maximum length.

### **4.SOCK\_RAW:**

- Provides raw network protocol access.

### **5.SOCK\_RDM:**

- Provides a reliable datagram layer that doesn't guarantee ordering.

### **6.SOCK\_PACKET:**

- Obsolete and shouldn't be used in new programs.

## **2. man connect:**

### **NAME:**

connect – initiate a connection on a socket.

### **SYNOPSIS:**

```
#include<sys/types.h>
#include<sys/socket.h>
int connect(int sockfd,const (struct
sockaddr*)&serv_addr,socklen_t addrlen);eg:
cd=connect(sd,(struct sockaddr*)&servaddr,sizeof(servaddr));
```

### **DESCRIPTION:**

- The file descriptor sockfd must refer to a socket.
- If the socket is of type SOCK\_DGRAM then the serv\_addr address is the address to which datagrams are sent by default and the only addr from which datagrams are received.
- If the socket is of type SOCK\_STREAM or SOCK\_SEQPACKET , this call attempts to make a connection to another socket.

### **RETURN VALUE:**

- If the connection or binding succeeds, zero is returned.
- On error , -1 is returned , and error number is set appropriately.

### **ERRORS:**

EBADF	Not a valid Index.
EFAULT	The socket structure address is outside the user's address space.
ENOTSOCK	Not associated with a socket.
EISCONN	Socket is already connected.
ECONNREFUSED	No one listening on the remote address.

### 3. man accept

#### NAME:

accept/reject job is sent to a destination.

#### SYNOPSIS:

```
accept destination(s)
reject[-t] [-h server] [-r reason] destination(s)
eg: ad=accept(sd,(struct sockaddr*)&cliaddr,&clilen);
```

#### DESCRIPTION:

- accept instructs the printing system to accept print jobs to the specified destination.
- The -r option sets the reason for rejecting print jobs.
- The -e option forces encryption when connecting to the server.

### 4. man send

#### NAME:

send, sendto, sendmsg - send a message from a socket.

#### SYNOPSIS:

```
#include<sys/types.h>
#include<sys/socket.h>
ssize_t send(int s, const void *buf, size_t len, int flags);
ssize_t sendto(int s, const void *buf, size_t len, int flags, const struct
sock_addr*to, socklen_t tolen);ssize_t sendmsg(int s, const struct msghdr *msg,
int flags);
```

#### DESCRIPTION:

- The system calls send, sendto and sendmsg are used to transmit a message to another socket.
- The send call may be used only when the socket is in a connected state.
- The only difference between send and write is the presence of flags.
- The parameter is the file descriptor of the sending socket.

### 5. man recv

#### NAME:

recv, recvfrom, recvmsg – receive a message from a socket.

## SYNOPSIS:

```
#include<sys/types.  
h>  
#include<sys/socket  
t.h>  
  
ssize_t recv(int s, void *buf, size_t len, int flags);  
ssize_t recvfrom(int s, void *buf, size_t len, int flags, struct sockaddr *from,  
socklen_t* from len);ssize_t recvmsg(int s, struct msghdr *msg, int flags);
```

## DESCRIPTION:

- The recvfrom and recvmsg calls are used to receive messages from a socket, and may be used to recv data on a socket whether or not it is connection oriented.
- If from is not NULL, and the underlying protocol provides the src addr, this src addr is filled in.
- The recv call is normally used only on a connection socket and is identical to recvfrom with a NULL from parameter.

### 6. man write

## NAME:

write- send a message to another user.

## SYNOPSIS:

```
write user[ttyname]
```

## DESCRIPTION:

- write allows you to communicate with other users, by copying lines from terminal to  
.....
- When you run the write and the user you are writing to get a message of the form: Message from yourname @yourhost on yourtty at hh:mm:...
- Any further lines you enter will be copied to the specified user's terminal.
- If the other user wants to reply they must run write as well.

### 7.ifconfig

## NAME:

ifconfig- configure a network interface.

## SYNOPSIS:

```
ifconfig[interface]  
ifconfig interface[aftype] options | address.....
```

## DESCRIPTION:

- ifconfig is used to configure the kernel resident network interfaces.
- It is used at boot time to setup interfaces as necessary.
- After that, it is usually only needed when debugging or when system tuning is needed.
- If no arguments are given, ifconfig displays the status of the currently active interfaces.

## 8.man bind

### SYNOPSIS:

```
bind[-m keymap] [-lp sv psv]
```

## 9. man htons/ man

### htonlNAME:

htonl, htons, ntohl, ntohs - convert values between host and network byte order.

### SYNOPSIS:

```
#include<netinet/in.h>  
uint32_t htonl(uint32_t  
hostlong); uint16_t  
        htons(uint32_t  
hostshort);uint32_t  
        ntohl(uint32_t  
netlong); uint16_t  
        ntohs(uint16_t  
netshort);
```

## DESCRIPTION:

- The htonl() function converts the unsigned integer hostlong from host byte order to network byte order.
- The htons() converts the unsigned short integer hostshort from host byte order to network byte order.

- The `ntohl()` converts the unsigned integer `netlong` from network byte order to host byteorder.

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### gethostname

#### NAME:

`gethostname`, `sethostname`- get/set host name.

#### SYNOPSIS:

```
#include<unistd.h>
int gethostname(char *name,size_t len);
int sethostname(const char *name,size_t len);
```

#### DESCRIPTION:

- These functions are used to access or to change the host name of the current processor.
- The `gethostname()` returns a NULL terminated hostname(set earlier by `sethostname()`) in the array `name` that has a length of `len` bytes.
- In case the NULL terminated then hostname does not fit ,no error is returned, but the hostname is truncated.
- It is unspecified whether the truncated hostname will be NULL terminated.

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### gethostbyname

#### NAME:

`gethostbyname`, `gethostbyaddr`, `sethostent`, `endhostent`, `herror`, `hstr` – error – get network host entry.

#### SYNOPSIS:

```
#include<netdb.
h> extern int
h_errno;
struct hostent *gethostbyname(const char
*name);#include<sys/socket.h>
```

```
struct hostent *gethostbyaddr(const char *addr,int len,  
int type);struct hostent *gethostbyname2(const char  
*name,int af);
```

### **DESCRIPTION:**

- The gethostbyname() returns a structure of type hostent for the given hostname.
- Name->hostname or IPV4/IPV6 with dot notation.
- gethostbyaddr()- struct of type hostent / host address length
- Address types- AF\_INET, AF\_INET6.
- sethostent() – stay open is true(1).
- TCP socket connection should be open during queries.
- Server queries for UDP datagrams.
- endhostent()- ends the use of TCP connection.
- Members of hostent structure:
  - a) h\_name
  - b) h\_aliases
  - c) h\_addrtype
  - d) h\_length
  - e) h\_addr-list
  - f) h\_addr.

### **RESULT:**

Thus the basic functions used for Socket Programming was studied successfully.