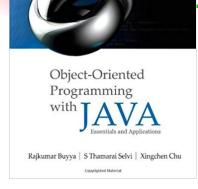
Inter-Process Communication (IPC): Network Programming using TCP Java Sockets



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Introduction

- Internet and WWW have emerged as global ubiquitous media for communication and are changing the way we conduct science, engineering, and commerce.
- They are also changing the way we learn, live, enjoy, communicate, interact, engage, work, etc. That means, the modern life activities are getting completely driven by the Internet.



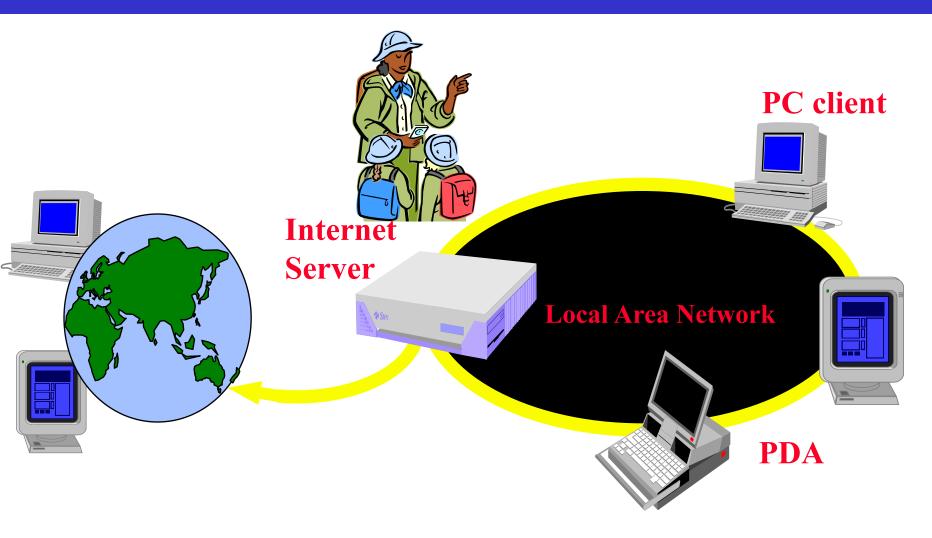








Internet Applications Serving Both Local and Remote Users

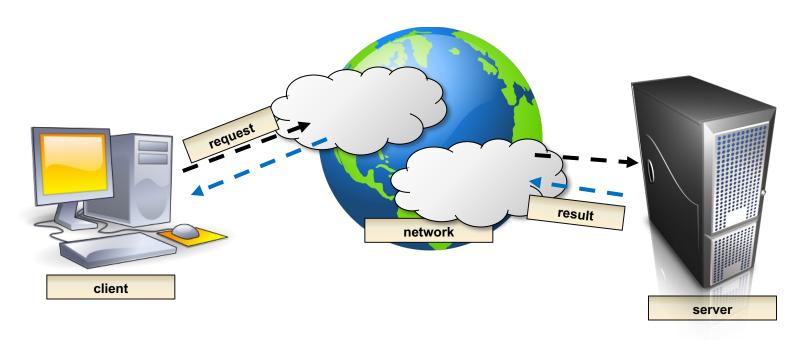


Increasing Demand for Internet Applications

- To take advantage of opportunities presented by the Internet, businesses are continuously seeking new and innovative ways and means for offering their services via the Internet.
- This created a huge demand for software designers with skills to create new Internet-enabled applications or migrate existing/legacy applications to the Internet platform.
- Object-oriented Java technologies—Sockets, threads, RMI, clustering, Web services—have emerged as leading solutions for creating portable, efficient, and maintainable large and complex Internet applications.

Elements of Client-Server Computing/Communication

a client, a server, and network



- Processes follow protocols that define a set of rules that must be observed by participants:
 - How is the data exchange encoded?
 - How are events (sending, receiving) synchronized (ordered) so that participants can send and receive data in a coordinated manner?
- In face-to-face communication, humans follow unspoken protocols based on eye contact, body language, gesture.

Networking Basics

Physical/Link Layer

 Functionalities for transmission of signals representing a stream of data from one computer to another

Internet/Network Layer

 IP (Internet Protocols) – a packet of data to be addressed to a remote computer and delivered

Transport Layer

- Functionalities for delivering data packets to a specific process on a remote computer
- TCP (Transmission Control Protocol)
- UDP (User Datagram Protocol)
- Programming Interface:
 - Sockets

Applications Layer

- Message exchange between standard or user applications:
 - HTTP, FTP, Telnet, Skype,...

TCP/IP Stack

Application
(http,ftp,telnet,...)

Transport
(TCP, UDP,..)

Internet/Network
(IP,..)

Physical/Link
(device driver,..)

Networking Basics

- TCP (Transmission Control = TCP/IP Stack Protocol) is a connection-oriented communication protocol that provides a reliable flow of data between two computers.

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- Analogy:
 - Speaking on Phone
- Example applications:
 - HTTP, FTP, Telnet
 - Skype uses TCP for call signalling, and both UDP and TCP for transporting media traffic.

Application
(http,ftp,telnet,...)

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Networking Basics

- UDP (User Datagram Protocol) is a connectionless communication protocol that sends independent packets of data, called *datagrams*, from one computer to another with no guarantees about arrival or order of arrival
- Similar to sending multiple emails/letters to friends, each containing part of a message.
- Example applications:
 - Clock server
 - Ping
 - Live streaming (events/sports broadcasting)

TCP/IP Stack

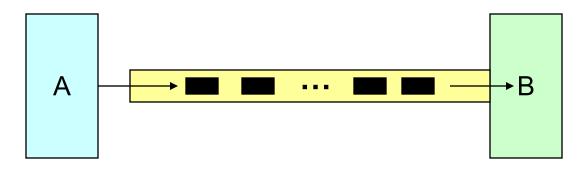
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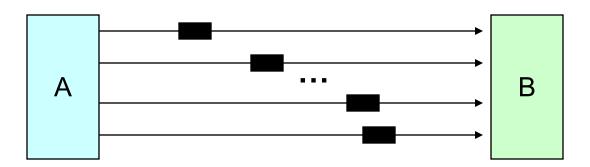
Network
(IP,..)

Link
(device driver,..)

TCP Vs UDP Communication



Connection-Oriented Communication



Connectionless Communication

Understanding Ports

The TCP and UDP protocols use ports to map incoming data to a particular process running on a computer.

app app app app port port port Packet

Data port# data

TCP

Client

Understanding Ports

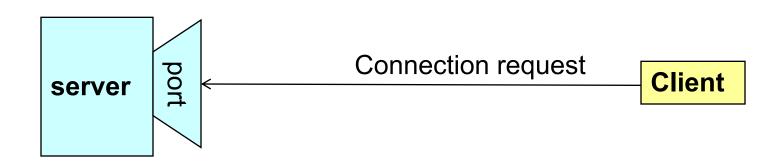
- Port is represented by a positive (16-bit) integer value
- Some ports have been reserved to support common/well known services (IETF standard):
 - ftp 21/tcp
 - telnet 23/tcp
 - smtp 25/tcp
 - http 80/tcp
 - login 513/tcp
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_TCP_and_UDP_port_numbers
- User-level processes/services generally use port number value >= 1024

Sockets

- Sockets provide an interface for programming networks at the transport layer
- Network communication using Sockets is very much similar to performing file I/O
 - In fact, socket handle is treated like file handle.
 - The streams used in file I/O operation are also applicable to socket-based I/O
- Socket-based communication is programming language independent.
 - That means, a socket program written in Java language can communicate with a program written in Java or non-Java socket programs.

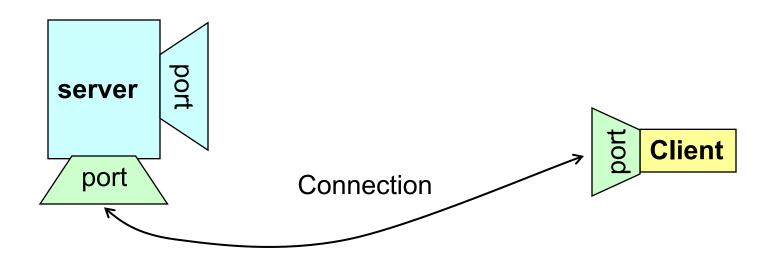
Socket Communication

 A server (program) runs on a specific computer and has a socket that is bound to a specific port. The server waits and listens to the socket for a client to make a connection request.



Socket Communication

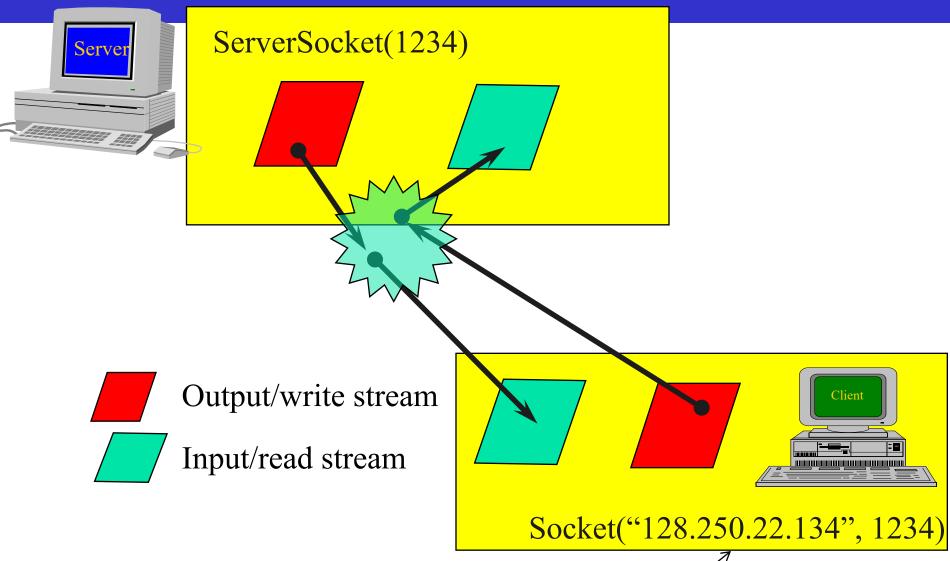
If everything goes well, the server accepts the connection. Upon acceptance, the server gets a new socket bounds to a different port. It needs a new socket (consequently a different port number) so that it can continue to listen to the original socket for connection requests while serving the connected client.



Sockets and Java Socket Classes

- A socket is an endpoint of a two-way communication link between two programs running on the network.
- A socket is bound to a port number so that the TCP layer can identify the application that data destined to be sent.
- Java's .net package provides two classes:
 - Socket for implementing a client
 - ServerSocket for implementing a server

Java Sockets



It can be host_name like "clouds.cis.unimelb.edu.au"

Implementing a Server

1. Open the Server Socket: ServerSocket server; DataOutputStream os; DataInputStream is; server = new ServerSocket(PORT); 2. Wait for the Client Request: Socket client = server.accept(); 3. Create I/O streams for communicating to the client is = new DataInputStream(client.getInputStream()); os = new DataOutputStream(client.getOutputStream()); 4. Perform communication with client Receive from client: String line = is.readLine(); Send to client: os.writeBytes("Hello\n"); 5. Close sockets: client.close(); For multithreaded server: while(true) { i. wait for client requests (step 2 above) ii. create a thread with "client" socket as parameter (the thread creates streams (as in step (3) and does communication as stated in (4). Remove thread once service is provided.

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Implementing a Client

1. Create a Socket Object:

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client = new Socket( server, port id );
```

2. Create I/O streams for communicating with the server.

```
is = new DataInputStream(client.getInputStream() );
os = new DataOutputStream( client.getOutputStream() );
```

- 3. Perform I/O or communication with the server:
 - Receive data from the server:

```
String line = is.readLine();
```

Send data to the server:

```
os.writeBytes("Hello\n");
```

4. Close the socket when done:

```
client.close();
```

A simple server (simplified code)

```
// SimpleServer.java: a simple server program
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class SimpleServer {
  public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException {
    // Register service on port 1234
    ServerSocket s = new ServerSocket(1234);
    Socket s1=s.accept(); // Wait and accept a connection
    // Get a communication stream associated with the socket
    OutputStream slout = s1.getOutputStream();
    DataOutputStream dos = new DataOutputStream (slout);
    // Send a string!
    dos.writeUTF("Hi there");
    // Close the connection, but not the server socket
    dos.close();
    s1out.close();
    s1.close();
```

A simple client (simplified code)

```
// SimpleClient.java: a simple client program
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class SimpleClient {
  public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException {
    // Open your connection to a server, at port 1234
    Socket s1 = new Socket("clouds.cis.unimelb.edu.au",1234);
    // Get an input file handle from the socket and read the input
    InputStream s1In = s1.getInputStream();
    DataInputStream dis = new DataInputStream(s1In);
    String st = new String (dis.readUTF());
    System.out.println(st);
    // When done, just close the connection and exit
    dis.close();
    s1In.close();
    s1.close();
```

Run

- Run Server on mundroo.cs.mu.oz.au
 - [raj@mundroo] java SimpleServer &
- Run Client on any machine (including mundroo):
 - [raj@mundroo] java SimpleClient Hi there
- If you run client when server is not up:
 - [raj@mundroo] sockets [1:147] java SimpleClient
 Exception in thread "main" java.net.ConnectException: Connection refused at java.net.PlainSocketImpl.socketConnect(Native Method) at java.net.PlainSocketImpl.doConnect(PlainSocketImpl.java:320) at java.net.PlainSocketImpl.connectToAddress(PlainSocketImpl.java:133) at java.net.PlainSocketImpl.connect(PlainSocketImpl.java:120) at java.net.Socket.<init>(Socket.java:273) at java.net.Socket.<init>(Socket.java:100) at SimpleClient.main(SimpleClient.java:6)

Socket Exceptions

```
try {
  Socket client = new Socket(host, port);
  handleConnection(client);
catch(UnknownHostException uhe) {
  System.out.println("Unknown host: " + host);
  uhe.printStackTrace();
catch(IOException ioe) {
System.out.println("IOException: " + ioe);
  ioe.printStackTrace();
```

ServerSocket & Exceptions

- public ServerSocket(int port) throws <u>IOException</u>
 - Creates a server socket on a specified port
 - A port of 0 creates a socket on any free port. You can use <u>getLocalPort()</u> to identify the (assigned) port on which this socket is listening
 - The maximum queue length for incoming connection indications (a request to connect) is set to 50. If a connection indication arrives when the queue is full, the connection is refused

Throws:

- <u>IOException</u> if an I/O error occurs when opening the socket
- <u>SecurityException</u> if a security manager exists and its checkListen method doesn't allow the operation

Server in Loop: Always up

```
// SimpleServerLoop.java: a simple server program that runs forever in a single thead
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class SimpleServerLoop {
 public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException {
  // Register service on port 1234
  ServerSocket s = new ServerSocket(1234);
  while(true)
       Socket s1=s.accept(); // Wait and accept a connection
       // Get a communication stream associated with the socket
       OutputStream s1out = s1.getOutputStream();
       DataOutputStream dos = new DataOutputStream (s1out):
       // Send a string!
       dos.writeUTF("Hi there");
       // Close the connection, but not the server socket
       dos.close();
       s1out.close();
       s1.close();
```

Java API for UDP Programming

- Java APIs support datagram communication by means of two classes
 - DatagramPacket
 - | Msg | length | Host | serverPort |
 - DatagramSocket

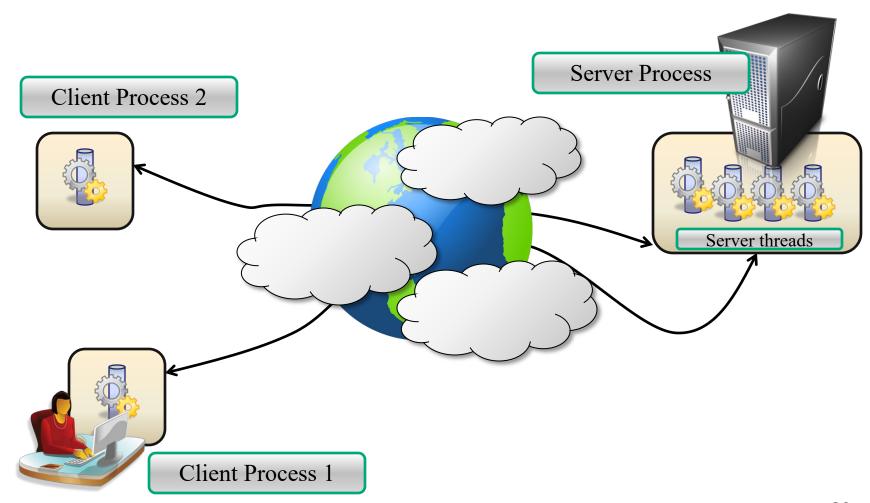
UDP Client: Sends a Message and Gets reply

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class UDPClient
  public static void main(String args[]){
     // args give message contents and server hostname
    // "Usage: java UDPClient <message> <Host name> <Port number>"
     DatagramSocket aSocket = null;
      try {
          aSocket = new DatagramSocket();
          byte [] m = args[0].getBytes();
          InetAddress aHost = InetAddress.getByName(args[1]);
          int serverPort = 6789; // Or Integer.valueOf(args[2]).intValue() if use <Port number> args[2]
          DatagramPacket request = new DatagramPacket(m, args[0].length(), aHost, serverPort);
          aSocket.send(request);
          byte[] buffer = new byte[1000];
          DatagramPacket reply = new DatagramPacket(buffer, buffer.length);
          aSocket.receive(reply);
          System.out.println("Reply: " + new String(reply.getData()));
      catch (SocketException e){System.out.println("Socket: " + e.getMessage());}
      catch (IOException e){System.out.println("IO: " + e.getMessage());}
      finally
        if(aSocket != null) aSocket.close();
```

UDP Sever: repeatedly received a request and sends it back to the client

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class UDPServer{
     public static void main(String args[]){
     DatagramSocket aSocket = null;
       try{
          aSocket = new DatagramSocket(6789); // fixed port number
          byte[] buffer = new byte[1000];
          while(true){
            DatagramPacket request = new DatagramPacket(buffer, buffer.length);
            aSocket.receive(request);
            DatagramPacket reply = new DatagramPacket(request.getData(),
               request.getLength(), request.getAddress(), request.getPort());
            aSocket.send(reply);
       }catch (SocketException e){System.out.println("Socket: " + e.getMessage());}
        catch (IOException e) {System.out.println("IO: " + e.getMessage());}
    finally {if(aSocket != null) aSocket.close();}
```

Multithreaded Server: For Serving Multiple Clients Concurrently



Summary

- Programming client/server applications in Java is fun and challenging.
- Programming socket programming in Java is much easier compared to doing it in other languages such as C.
- TCP for Connection-oriented communication, more reliable, flow control.
- UDP for connection-less communication
- Keywords:
 - Clients, servers, TCP/IP, port number, sockets, Java sockets

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