

Communication channels

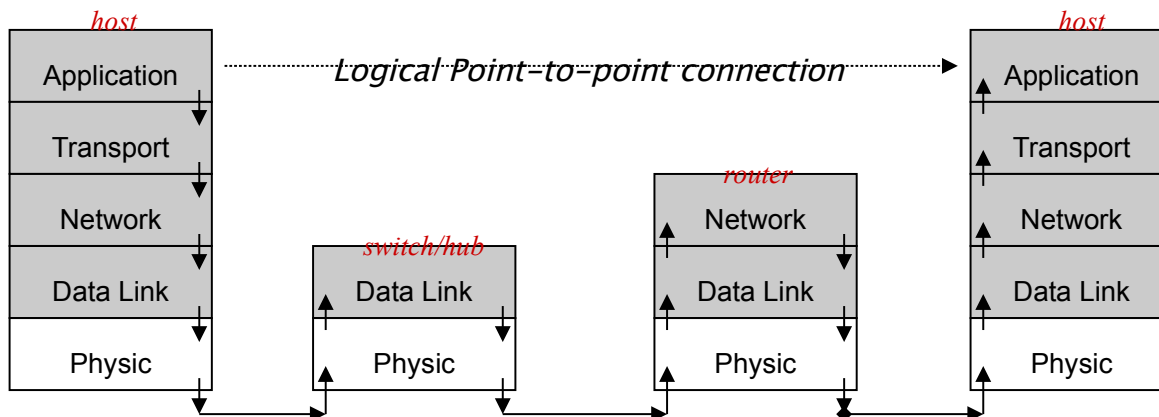
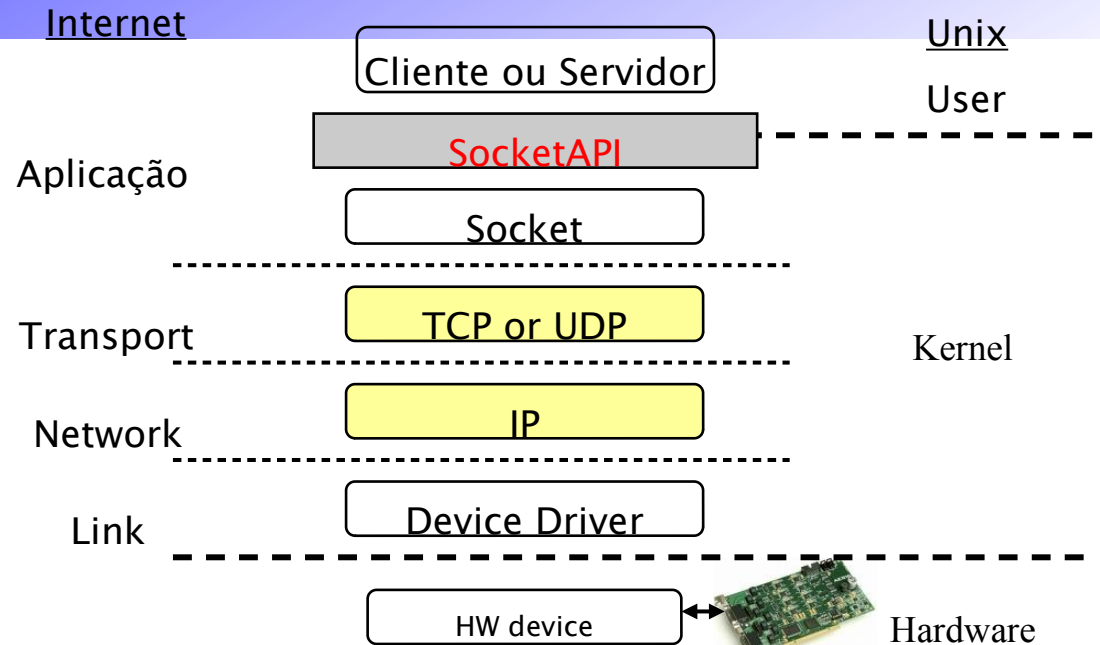
- Scope
- Duplex
- Process relation
- Identification
- Partner identification
- API

SOCKETS

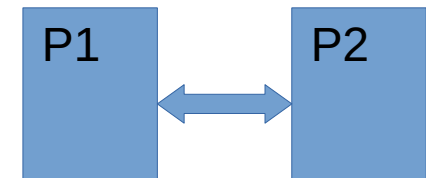
- Transparency
 - Communication inter/intra machines is the same
- Compatibility
 - With existing communication mechanisms
- Stream oriented
- Message Oriented
- Use of File system mechanisms

SOCKETS

- Transparency



Host 1



SOCKETS

- Compatibility
 - Use of files
 - Used to reference communication channels
 - Use of the Regular I/O API
 - Send/receive data

SOCKETS

- Message oriented
 - Each write is a message
 - No message interleaving in the channel
 - Each message is read atomically
- No data interleaving
 - Concurrent writes to not affect each other
- Atomic reads
 - A read is concluded only after the conclusion of the write
 - Two writes imply two reads
- Extends/replaces
 - mailboxes
 - FIFOs

Sockets

- Introduced in 1981 on BSD 4.1
- It is an API
 - that define access points to applications
 - following the client-server architecture
- Sockets programming
 - more complex than files
 - More parameters
 - More system calls
- Main difference between FS base and socket based communication
 - How channels are opened and created.

Definition of a communication point	socket	Telephone
Assignment of a address to a communication point	Bind /address	Assignment of phone number
Listen to incoming connections	listen	connection of a phone to the network
Start connection	connect()	phone call initiator dials destination number
Receiver established connection	accept()	receiver accepts call lifting the handset
Send / receive of data	send(),recv()	talk
End of communication	close()	lowering of handset

Definition of a communication point	socket	Telephone
Assignment of a address to a communication point	Bind /address	Assignment of phone number
Send message	sendt()	Send SMS
Receive message	recvfrom(Receive SMS
End of communication	close()	Turn off phone

Message Reception

- On other IPC how receives messages?
 - Any process that open the channel
- Does the sender know the identity?
 - No
- How to solve
 - Assign each channel an address
 - Only one process can read “from” one address

Socket Domains

- The same API allows the creation of different sockets
 - AF_UNIX
 - Communication between processes in the same machine
 - AF_INET
 - Communication between processes in different machines
 - IPv4
 - AF_INET6
 - Communication between processes in different machines
 - IPv6

Socket Domains

- Determines the nature of the communication (local/LAN/WAN)
- Determine the format of the addresses
 - AF_UNIX – a string
 - AF_INT – 4 bytes

Socket Types

- The socket type determines
 - The characteristics of communication
 - Delivery guarantees, ordering guarantees, communication directions
- Are defined as constants starting with the SOCK_ prefix
 - **SOCK_STREAM**
 - stream socket / connection oriented
 - **SOCK_DGRAM**
 - datagram socket / connectionless
 - **SOCK_RAW** raw socket
 - **SOCK_SEQPACKET** sequenced packet socket

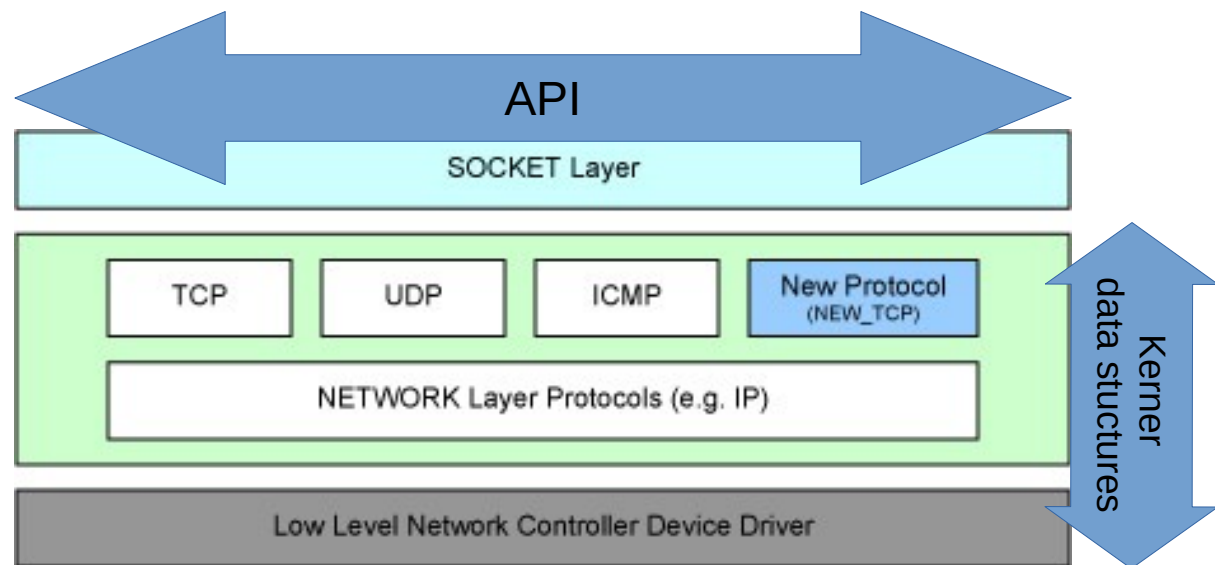
Protocol

- The protocol at transport level depends on the socket Type and domain
 - Not all combinations are possible

		Domain		
		AF_UNIX	AF_INET	AF_UNSPEC
Type	SOCK_STREAM	YES	TCP	SPP
	SOCK_DGRAM	YES	UDP	IDP
	SOCK_RAW		IP	Sim
	SOCK_SEQPACKET	YES		SPP

Protocol

- Defines
 - Addressing
 - Delivery guarantees
 - Message Structuring
- Affects
 - Kernel data structures
 - API
 - Application



Common socket types

- SOCK_STREAM

- Reliable delivery
- Ordered delivery
 - 1st packet to be sent is the 1st to be received
- Connection oriented
 - Connection setup required before sending messages
- Bidirectional by default

- SOCK_DGRAM

- Non reliable delivery
 - Packets can be lost or changed
- No order guarantee
- Non existing connection
 - Application should define recipient address for each message
- (Uni/Bi)directional
 - Recipient can retrieve sender address and reply

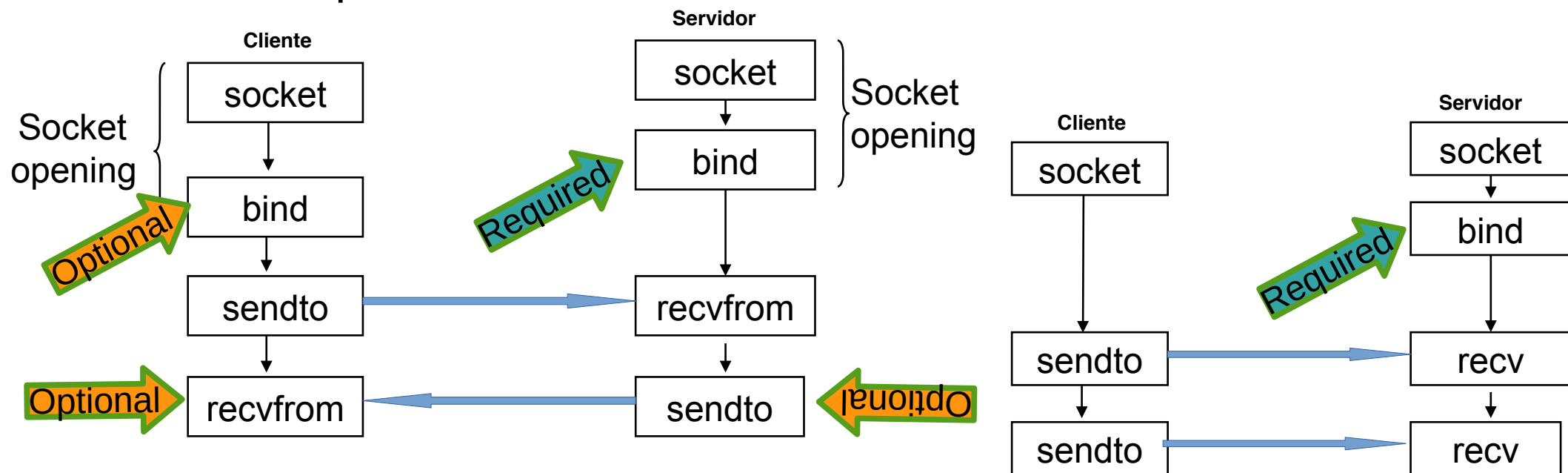
Connectionless/datagram sockets

- Client

- Socket creation
- Address assignment
- Message sending
 - Explicit address

- Server

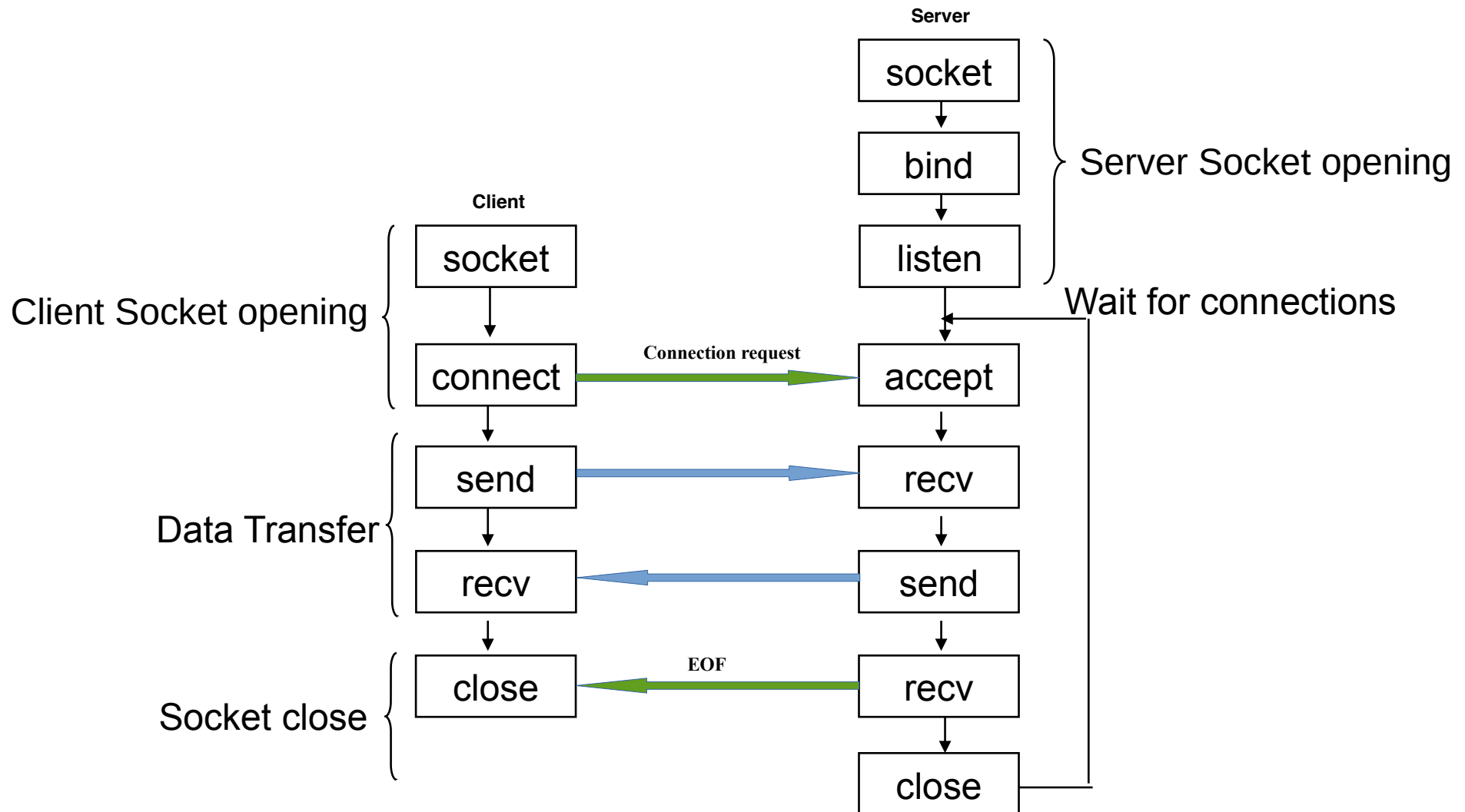
- Socket creation
- Address assignment
- Reception of message



Connection/stream sockets

- Client
 - Socket creation
 - Connection to server
 - Explicit address
 - Message sending
 - Close
- Server
 - Socket creation
 - Address assignment
 - Reception of connections
 - Connection acceptance
 - Reception of message
 - Close

Connection/stream sockets



UNIX Domain Sockets

- Implementation – Kernel / syscall
- Scope - Local
- Duplex
- Time-Coupling
- Space-coupling (Strong!)
- Explicit
- Synchronization – Yes (reads) no (writes)
- Process relation - unrelated
- Identification – file path
- API – specific API + file operation

Sockets address

- Some operations require an address

- Bind / connect
- Sendto / recvfrom

- `struct sockaddr *src_addr`

```
struct sockaddr {  
    sa_family_t sa_family;  
    char        sa_data[14];  
}
```

- Placeholder for various address classes
 - `sockaddr_un` - unix
 - `sockaddr_in` - IP
 - `sockaddr_nl` - netlink
 - `sockaddr_atalk` - appletalk

UNIX Domain addresses

- Unix domain addresses are defined using
 - **sockaddr_un** data type
- Definition of the domain
 - `sun_family = AF_UNIX`
- Definition of the socket path
 - `Strcpy(addr.sun_path, "/tmp/sock_1")`

Struct sockaddr_un

sun_family	Family
sun_path	Pathname (up to 108 bytes)

- `#include <sys/un.h>`
- `struct sockaddd_un addr;`
- `addr.sun_family = AF_UNI;`
- `strcpy(addr.sun_path, "/tmp/sock_1");`

UNIX Domain - Socket creation

- `int socket(int domain, int type, int protocol);`
 - 1st argument (Domain):
 - `AF_UNIX`
 - 2nd Argument (type):
 - `SOCK_DGRAM / SOCK_STREAM`
 - 3rd argument (Identifies the transport protocol):
 - 0 – default value
 - Return the socket descriptor or -1 (in case of error)
 - `if ((s = socket(AF_UNIX, SOCK_DGRAM, 0)) == -1) {`
 - `perror("socket");`
 - `exit(1);`
 - `}`

UNIX Domain - Socket creation

- Socket system call
 - Does not determine
 - where the data comes from
 - where the data goes to
- Just creates the communication interface
 - Used to access the channel
- Anonymous
 - Cannot act as server (receive connections/ receive data)
 - Can only connect
 - Can only write/send
- With address
 - Can receive connections (SOCK_STREAM)
 - Can receive messages (SOCK_DGRAM)
 - Address assignment using the bind function

UNIX Domain - Bind

- An address should be assigned to a socket
 - To receive connections
 - To receive messages
- Bind system call
 - `int bind(int sockfd, const struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t addrlen);`
 - 1st argument
 - Socket descriptor
 - 2nd parameter
 - Pointer to structure containing the address
 - The structure with the address depends on the protocol
 - `sockaddr_in`
 - `sockaddr_un`
 - 3rd argument size of the structure containing the address

Bind

- Returns
 - 0 success
 - -1 error
- `err = bind(s, (struct sockaddr *)&local,`
- `sizeof(local));`
- `if(err == -1) {`
- `perror("bind");`
- `exit(1);`
- `}`

Sendto

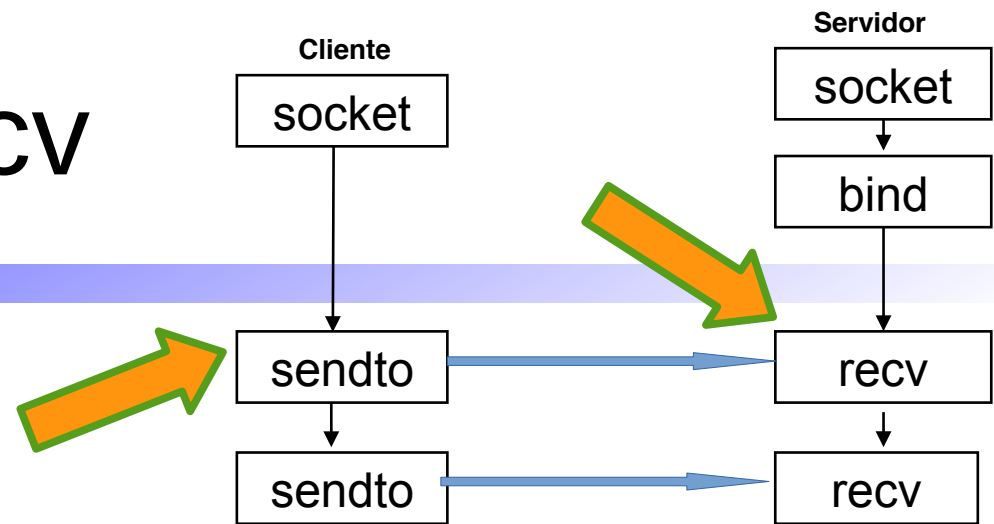
```
ssize_t sendto(int sockfd,  
               const void *buf, size_t len,  
               int flags,  
               const struct sockaddr *dest_addr,  
               socklen_t addrlen);
```

- Every time a message is sent the address should be included
 - 1st, 2nd, 3rd arguments
 - Similar to write
 - 4th argument flags (use 0)
 - 5th and 6th Arguments
 - The address of the destination
 - pointer to structure and size of structure

sendto

- sendto system call
 - Returns
 - Number of characters sent
 - -1 error (use errno and perror)
- sendto is only used in connectionless sockets
 - **Can not be replaced by write**

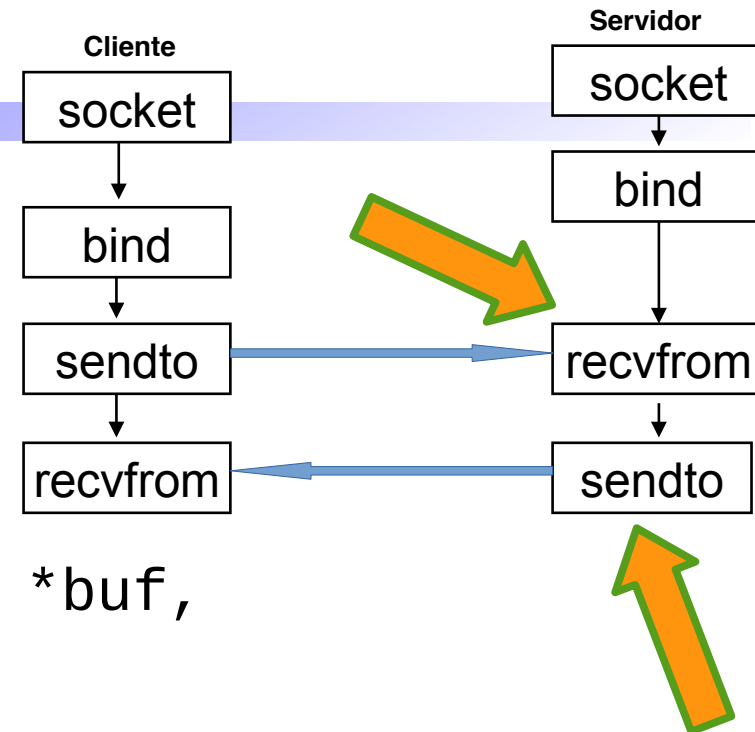
recv



- Reception of messages
 - Similar to pipes
 - Read can be used
- `ssize_t recv(int sockfd, void *buf, size_t len, int flags);`
 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd argument
 - Similar to read
 - 4^o flags
 - Usually 0
 - Returns the number of received
 - Return -1 in case of error (`errno`).
 - Blocks
 - Reads the first **message** on the socket

recvfrom

- The **recv** can be used but
 - Does not identifies sender
- If the sender address needs to be known:
 - Use function `recvfrom`
 - After the bind on the client
- `ssize_t recvfrom(int sockfd, void *buf,`
- `size_t len,`
- `int flags,`
- `struct sockaddr *src_addr,`
- `socklen_t *addrlen);`
 - 4 first arguments like `recv`
 - 5th argument will store the sender address
 - 6th parameter will store the size of the address



recvfrom

- struct sockaddr_un client_addr;
- socklen_t size_addr;
-
- nbytes = recvfrom(sock_fd, buff, 100, 0,
- **(struct sockaddr *) & client_addr,**
- **&size_addr);**

Closing

- Server and clients should close the sockets
 - In order to orderly end communication
 - `#include <sys/socket.h>`
 - `int close(int);`
- The parameter identifies the socket descriptor
- The close system call
 - Closes connections (if using `SOCK_STREAM`) .
 - Releases used port (if using `AF_INET`)
- **Does not remove the file (if using `AF_UNIX`)**
 - **Use `unlink`**

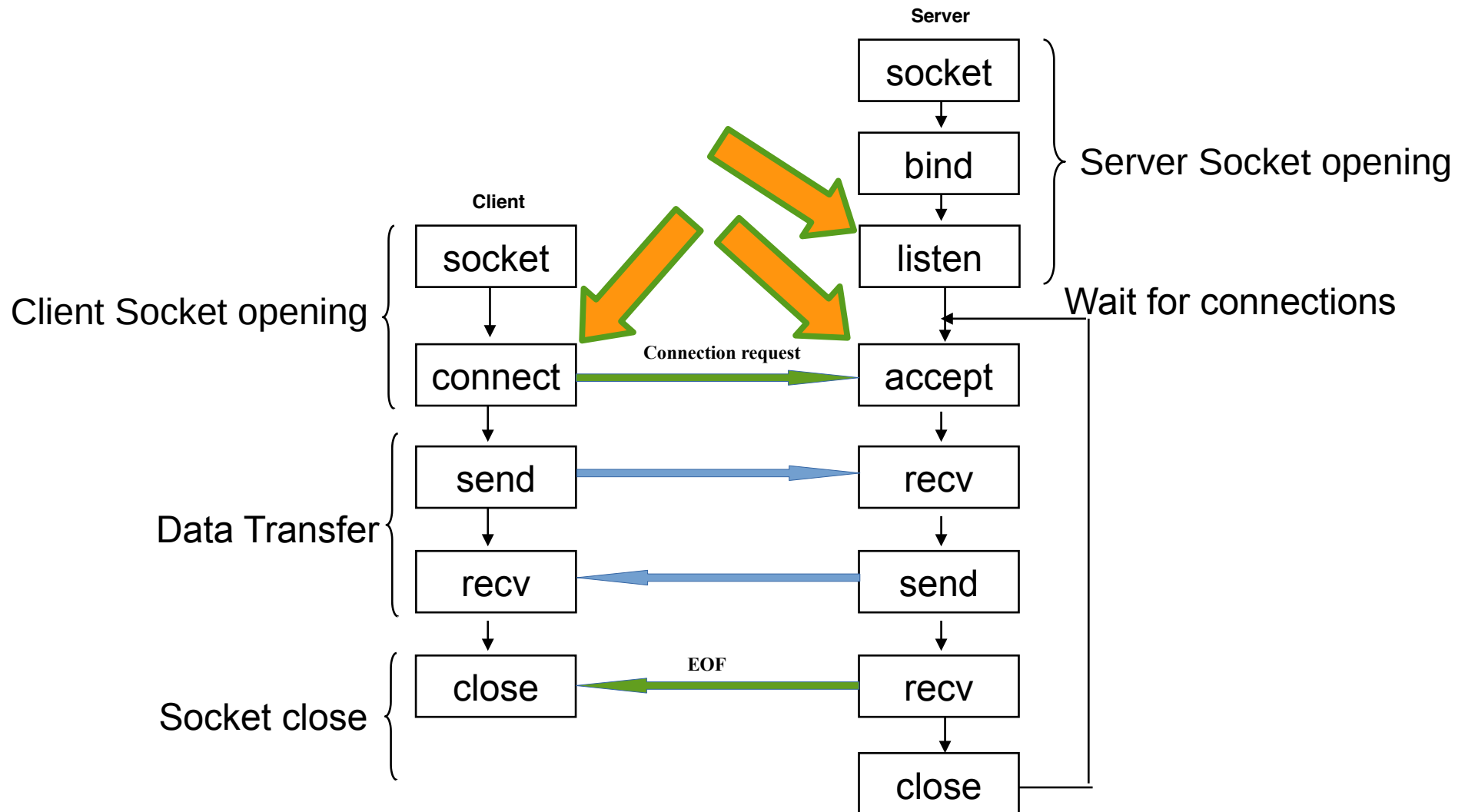
Socket pair

- Parent/child can use UNIX sockets
 - Without assigning an address
 - FD Inherited
 - To replace PIPEs
 - Bidirectional
- `int socketpair(int domain, int type, int protocol,`
- `int sv[2]);`
 - Only UNIX Domain

Socket pair

- `int sv[2]`
- `socketpair(AF_UNIX, type, 0, &sv);`
 - `SOCK_STREAM, SOCK_DGRAM, SOCK_SEQPACKET`
- Process 1
 - Read and write on `sv[0]`
- Process 2
 - Read and write on `sv[1]`
- Bidirectional communication
 -

Connection/stream sockets



Domínio UNIX / STREAM

- Message oriented
- With connection
 - Client should connect to the server
 - Does not need to address each message
- With guarantees
 - Delivery
 - Order
 - integrity
- Connection establishing
 - Listen (server)
 - Connect (Client)
 - Accept (Serve
- On the server
 - A new socket is created
 - Dedicated to communication with the client
 - Original socket can receive more connections
- Message transition
 - read/recv
 - Write/send
 - Sendto/recvfrom
 - Not needed

Listen (server)

- The server should inform the operating system that is ready to receive connections
- States the willingness to accept incoming connections
- `int listen(int sockfd, int backlog);`
 - 1st arguments identifies the socket.
 - This socket should have been blinded
 - 2nd argument defines the number of client on wait list
 - Between connect and accept
- The listen does not block
- Connection requests received when the list is full
 - Are rejected

Connect (client)

- When using connected sockets
 - SOCK_STREAM ou SOCK_SEQPACKET)
 - The client should establish connection with the server
- The client request connection with the server:
- `int connect(int sockfd,`
- `const struct sockaddr *addr,`
- `socklen_t addrlen);`
 - 1st argument
 - Client socket descriptor
 - 2nd argument
 - server address.
 - 3rd argument
 - size of address

connect

- Connection fails if:
 - **EADDRINUSE**
 - Local address is already in use.
 - **EAFNOSUPPORT**
 - The passed address didn't have the correct address family in its sa_family field.
 - **EBADF**
 - The file descriptor is not a valid index in the descriptor table.
 - **ECONNREFUSED**
 - No-one listening on the remote address.
 - **EFAULT**
 - The socket structure address is outside the user's address space.
 -
- Connection fails if
 - **EINTR**
 - The system call was interrupted by a signal that was caught; see signal(7).
 - **EISCONN**
 - The socket is already connected.
 - **ENETUNREACH**
 - Network is unreachable.
 - **ENOTSOCK**
 - The file descriptor is not associated with a socket.
 - **ETIMEDOUT**
 - Timeout while attempting connection. The server may be too busy to accept new connections.
- **man connect**

connect

- The connect call returns
 - In case of error (return -1)
 - In case of success
 - When the server does an accept

Accept

- The server should explicitly accept a connection
- `int accept(int sockfd, struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t *addrlen);`
 - 1st parameter
 - Original server socket descriptor (socket, bind, listen)
 - 2nd parameter
 - Stores the client address
 - 3rd parameter
 - Size of the client address
- The **sockfd** is a socket that
 - has been created with `socket(2)`,
 - bound to a local address with `bind(2)`, and is
 - listening for connections after a `listen(2)`.

Accept

- Accept blocks
 - Until a client requests connection
- If 2nd and 3rd arguments are NULL
 - Communication can be done
 - Impossible to know the identity of the client
- The function returns a new socket descriptor
 - That can be use to read/write data to the connected client
- The original socket becomes available to receive new connections
 - Program should do a new accept

Reads/writes

- Using
 - The client sockets
 - The socket created by accept
- There is no need to explicitly address the receiver
 - Already done in the connect/accept
 - read/write
 - send/recv

UNIX Domain / STREAM

- Server

- `s = socket(AF_UNIX, SOCK_STREAM, 0)`
- `bind(s, (struct sockaddr *)&local, sizeof(local));`
- `listen(s, 10)`
- `new_s = accept(s, NULL, NULL);`
- `n = recv(new_s, str, 100, 0);`
- `send(new_s, str, n, 0);`

- Client

- `s = socket(AF_UNIX, SOCK_STREAM, 0)`
- `connect(s, (struct sockaddr *)&server, sizeof(server))`
- `send(s, str, n, 0);`
- `n = recv(s, str, 100, 0);`

Domínio INET

- Sockets similar to UNIX
 - Same characteristics
 - Same programming work-flow
 - Datagram
 - UDP/IP
 - STREAM
 - TCP
 - RAW
 - IP
 - Different addressing
 - IP Address + Port

IP (TCP/UDP) Sockets

- Same API
 - Socket / bind
 - Listen / connect / accept
 - send(to) recv(from)
- Different address

```
struct sockaddr_in {  
    short int sin_family; // AF_INET  
    unsigned short int sin_port; // Port  
    struct in_addr sin_addr; // address  
    unsigned char sin_zero[8];  
};  
  
struct in_addr {  
    uint32_t s_addr;  
};
```

IP Addressing

- **#include <netinet/in.h>**
- **Socketaddr_in**
 - **sin_family** :Familia AF_INET
 - sin_port : porto do serviço
 - sin_addr: endereço

```
struct socketaddr_in {  
    short    sin_family;  
    u_short  sin_port;    /* número de porto */  
    struct in_addr sin_addr; /* endereço IP */  
    char     sin_zero[8];/* não usado */  
};
```

- **struct in_addr**
 Struct in_addr{
 u_long s_addr; /* 32 bits network order */
 }

IP Addresses Encoding

```
int inet_aton(const char *cp, struct in_addr *inp)
```

- String to binary
 - Converts address (“xxx.yyy.www.zzz”) to binary
 - Stores binary version (32bits) on address structure
 - Returns 0 on error
- `char *inet_ntoa(struct in_addr in);`
- Converts binary to string
 - After accept/receive from ...

IP Addresses - in_addr

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    struct in_addr addr;  
    if (argc != 2) {  
        fprintf(stderr, "%s <dotted-address>\n", argv[0]);  
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
    }  
    if (inet_aton(argv[1], &addr) == 0) {  
        fprintf(stderr, "Invalid address\n");  
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
    }  
    printf("%s\n", inet_ntoa(addr));  
    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);  
}
```


Server

```
sockaddr_in endereco;
```

```
endereco.sin_family = AF_INET;
```

```
endereco.sin_port = htons( 22);
```

- Port 22

```
endereco.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY;
```

- Any address

```
bind(fd, (const struct sockaddr *)  
      &endereco, sizeof(endereco));
```

Client

```
sockaddr_in endereco;
```

```
endereco.sin_family = AF_INET;
```

```
endereco.sin_port = htons( 22);
```

- Porto 22

```
inet_aton("146.193.41.1", &endereco.sin_addr)
```

- Endereço do servidor

```
connect(fd,
```

```
    (const struct sockaddr *) &endereco,
```

```
    sizeof(endereco))
```

IP Addresses

- In the `AF_INET` domain, the constant `INADDR_ANY`
 - Determines that the socket is associated to all addresses in the local node.
 - Example:
 - A firewall has different network adapters, one connected to the internet other to the local network
 - **`endereco.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY`**

byteorder

- Byte order on >16bits numbers depend on the processor architecture
- Can be done in two ways:
 - Big-endian:
 - lower addresses with higher order bits (ex: ARM *).
 - Little-endian:
 - lower addresses with lower order bits (ex: Intel x86).
- Integer 1000465 (0x000F4411),

Big-endian			Little-endian	
0x10003	11		0x10003	00
0x10002	44		0x10002	0F
0x10001	0F		0x10001	44
0x10000	00		0x10000	11

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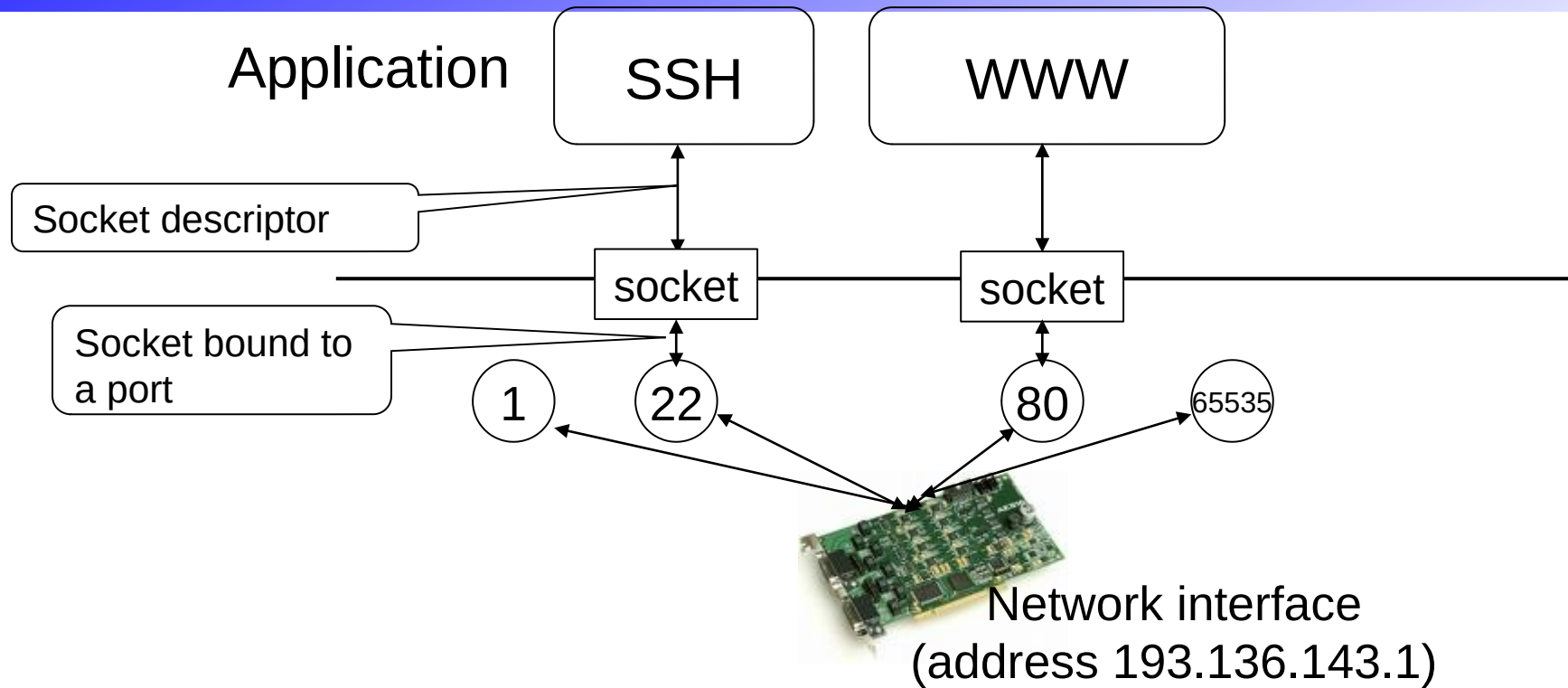
- Big-endian advantages:
 - Integers are stored in the same order as strings (from left to right).
 - Number signal is on the “first byte” (base address) .
- Little-endian advantages:
 - Eases conversion between different length integers (ex: 12 is represented by 0x0C eor 0x000C).
- In the Internet,
 - Addresses are alwayes big-endian.
- The first ARPANET routers (named Interface Message Processor) were 16 bits Honeywell DDP-516 computers big-endian representation

htons htonl ntohs ntohl

- `uint32_t htonl(uint32_t hostlong);`
 - The `htonl()` function converts the unsigned integer `hostlong` from host byte order to network byte order.
- `uint16_t htons(uint16_t hostshort);`
 - The `htons()` function converts the unsigned short integer `hostshort` from host byte order to network byte order.
- `uint32_t ntohl(uint32_t netlong);`
 - The `ntohl()` function converts the unsigned integer `netlong` from network byte order to host byte order.
- `uint16_t ntohs(uint16_t netshort);`
 - The `ntohs()` function converts the unsigned short integer `netshort` from network byte order to host byte order.
- On the i386 the host byte order is Least Significant Byte first, whereas the network byte order, as used on the Internet, is Most Significant Byte first.

Portos

- A service is identified by
 - Network address + Port
- The transmission/reception of data is made using a port.
- A socket can be connected on of 64K ports.
- The first 1K ports (1-1023) are reserved by IANA to specific services (listed in /etc/services) and require root privileges:
 - 22 : SSH
 - 53 : DNS
 - 80 : WWW
 - 115 : secure FTP
 - 443 : secure WWW
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_TCP_and_UDP_port_numbers
- Ports in [49152-65535] should not be used by servers
 - Are assigned dynamically to client sockets (accept)



gethostbyname

- Translates names to addresses
 - gasolina.gsd.inesc-id.pt → 146.193.41.15
 - `struct hostent *gethostbyname(const char *name);`
- The name argument can be a “dot-notation” address or name.
- Returns:
 - `typedef struct {`
 - `char *h_name; /* Official name of host.`
 - `char **h_aliases; /* Alias list.`
 - `int h_addrtype; /* Host address type.`
 - `int h_length; /* Length of address.`
 - `char **h_addr_list; /* List of addresses from name server`
 - `} hostent ;`
 - `#define h_addr h_addr_list[0] /* Address, for backward`
`compat`

gethostbyname

```
struct hostent * hostinfo;  
struct sockaddr_in address;  
address.sin_family = AF_INET  
address.sin_port = htons(8088);  
hostinfo =  
    gethostbyname("www.gsd.inesc-id.pt");  
address.sin_addr =  
    *(struct in_addr *) hostinfo->h_addr;
```

- Man host
- Man endian
- Man INET
- man host
- man gethostbyname
- Man 7 ip
- Man 7 tcp
- Man 7 udp

Common Errors

- Common errors with socket programming:
 - Incorrect byte ordering
 - Not calling `hton()` e `ntoh()`.
 - Disagree on data size and limits (fix or variable).
 - Non initialization of `len` (`recvfrom`, `accept`)
 - Locks
 - Application level protocol not well defined

Blocking calls

- Most socket API calls are blocking
 - When the process calls such function it gets blocked waiting for an event.
 - accept:
 - Waits for a connection to be received
 - Connect:
 - Waits for the server to accept the connections
 - recv,recvfrom:
 - Waits for data to be received
 - send,sendto:
 - Waits for data to be transmitted to a lower layer.
- In simple application blocking is good:
 - Adds synchronization
 - Limits resource usage (avoids active wait)

Blocking calls

- In complex applications blocking is a problem:
 - Multiple connections are impossible
 - Simultaneous send/recives are difficult
- There are several solutions
 - Multiprogramming
 - Several processes or several threads
 - More complex programming
 - Synchronization required
 - Turn off blocking
 - More complex programming
 - Active wait
 - Use select
 - Wait on multiple descriptors
 - Serializes communication

Blocking calls

```
int select(int, fd_set *, fd_set *, fd_set *, struct
timeval *);
```

- 1st parameter
 - Identifies the number of the highest descriptor + 1.
- 2nd parameter
 - array of reading descriptors (if set select verifies if such descriptors have information to be read)
- 3rd parameter
 - array of writing descriptors (if set select verifies if such descriptors can be written to).
- 4th parameter
 - array of “exceptions” (if set select verifies if such descriptors has exception).
- 5th parameter defines the waiting interval (NULL to infinite wait).
- The function returns the number of affected descriptors Return -1 in case of error

Blocking calls

- descriptors are referred in a bit array of type **struct fd_set** .
- Auxiliary functions:
 - `void FD_ZERO(fd_set *); /* create array */`
 - `void FD_CLR(int, fd_set *); /* set bit to 0 */`
 - `void FD_SET(int, fd_set *); /* set bit to 1 */`
 - `int FD_ISSET(int, fd_set *); /* return bit value */`
- The select function activates the correct bits on the correct arrays, depending
 - on the input array
 - on the state of the descriptor

Multiple clients

- Select
- Fork
 - FD are Inherited
 - Read retrieve messages from same socket
 - Accept can be done in multiple processes
- Threads