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Simple Web Server

# Logic of a Web Server

- 1. Setup the server
  - *socket, bind, listen*
- 2. Accept a connection
  - *accept, fdopen*
- 3. Read a request
  - *fread*
- 4. Handle the request
  - a. directory --> **list it**: *opendir, readdir*
  - b. regular file --> **cat the file**: *open, read*
  - c. .cgi file --> **run it**: *exec*
  - d. not exist --> **error message**
- 5. Send a reply
  - *fwrite*

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## 1. Setup the Server

```
int init_socket(int portnum)
{
    ...
    gethostname( hostname , 256 );           /* where am I ?           */
    hp = gethostbyname( hostname );          /* get info about host */
    ...
    bzero( (void *)&saddr, sizeof(saddr) ); /* zero struct & fill host addr*/
    bcopy( (void *)hp->h_addr, (void *)&saddr.sin_addr, hp->h_length);
    saddr.sin_family = AF_INET ;             /* fill in socket type */
    saddr.sin_port = htons(portnum);         /* fill in socket port */

    sock_id = socket( AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0 ); /* get a socket */
    ...
    rv = setsockopt(sock_id, SOL_SOCKET, SO_REUSEADDR, &on, sizeof(on));
    ...
    bind(sock_id, (struct sockaddr *) &saddr, sizeof(saddr));
    ...

    listen(sock_id, 1) != 0 );
    ...
    return sock_id;
}
```

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```

int main(int ac, char *av[])
{
    ...
    sock = init_socket(portnum);
    ...
    /* main loop here */
    while(1){
        /* take a call and buffer it */
        fd      = accept( sock, NULL, NULL );
        ...
        fpin   = fdopen(fd, "r" );
        fpout  = fdopen(fd, "w" );

        /* read request */
        fgets(request,BUFSIZ,fpin);
        ...
        while( fgets(buf,BUFSIZ,fp) != NULL && strcmp(buf,"\r\n") != 0 ) ;

        /* do what client asks */
        process_rq(request, fpout);
        ...
        fclose(fpin);
        fclose(fpout);
    }
    return 0;
    /* never end */
}

```

## 2. Accept Connections

## 3. Read Requests

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```

void process_rq( char *rq, FILE *fp)
{
    ...

    /* create a new process and return if not the child */
    if ( fork() != 0 ) return;

    if ( sscanf(rq, "%s%s", cmd, arg) != 2 ) return;

    ...

    if ( strcmp(cmd,"GET") == 0 )
    {
        if ( not_exist( item ) )
            do_404(item, fp );
        else if ( isadir( item ) )
            do_ls( item, fp );
        else if ( ends_in_cgi( item ) )
            do_exec( item, fp );
        else
            do_cat( item, fp );
    }
    ...
    exit(0);
}

```

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```

void do_ls(char *dir, FILE *fp)
{
    int      fd;      /* file descriptor of stream */

    header(fp, "text/plain");
    fprintf(fp, "\r\n");
    fflush(fp);

    fd = fileno(fp);
    dup2(fd,1);
    dup2(fd,2);
    fclose(fp);
    execlp("ls", "ls", "-l", dir, NULL);
    perror(dir);
}

```

## 4.a List Dir

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```

void do_cat(char *f, FILE *fpsock)
{
    char*extension = file_type(f);
    char*content = "text/plain";
    FILE*fpfile;
    int c;

    if ( strcmp(extension,"html") == 0 )
        content = "text/html";
    else if ( strcmp(extension, "gif") == 0 )
        content = "image/gif";
    else if ( strcmp(extension, "jpeg") == 0 )
        content = "image/jpeg";

    fpfile = fopen( f , "r");
    if ( fpfile != NULL )
    {
        fprintf(fpsock, "HTTP/1.0 200 OK\r\n");
        fprintf(fpsock, "Content-type: %s\r\n", content );
        fprintf(fpsock, "\r\n");
        while( (c = getc(fpfile) ) != EOF )
            putc(c, fpsock);
        fclose(fpfile);
    }
}

```

## 4.b Cat File

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```

void do_exec( char *prog, FILE *fp)
{
    int      fd = fileno(fp);

    header(fp, NULL);
    fflush(fp);

    dup2(fd, 1);
    dup2(fd, 2);
    fclose(fp);
    execl(prog,prog,NULL);
    perror(prog);
}

```

## 4.c Exec Prog

```

void do_404(char *item, FILE *fp)
{
    fprintf(fp, "HTTP/1.0 404 Not Found\r\n");
    fprintf(fp, "Content-type: text/plain\r\n");
    fprintf(fp, "\r\n");

    fprintf(fp, "The item you requested: %s\r\nis not found\r\n",
            item);
    fflush(fp);
}

```

## 4.d Error!

# Client Server Programming

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```
main(int argc, char **argv){
    int    len, port_sk,  client_sk;
    char *errmsg;

    port_sk = tcp_passive_open(port); /* establish port */
    if ( port_sk < 0 ) { perror("socket"); exit(1); }
    printf("start up complete\n");

    client_sk = tcp_accept(port_sk); /* wait for client to connect */

    close(port_sk); /* only want one client, so close port_sk */

    for(;;) { /* talk to client */
        len = read(client_sk,buff,buf_len); //listen
        printf("client says: %s\n",buff);
        ....
        if ( gets(buff) == NULL ) { /* user typed end of file */
            close(client_sk); break;
        }
        write(client_sk,buff,strlen(buff)); //server's turn
    } exit(0);
}
```

## 1.server code

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```
int  tcp_passive_open(portno)
    int    portno;
{
    int      sd, code;
    struct  sockaddr_in bind_addr;
    bind_addr.sin_family = AF_INET;
    bind_addr.sin_addr.s_addr = 0;    /* 0.0.0.0 == this host */
    bzero(bind_addr.sin_zero, 8);
    bind_addr.sin_port = portno;
    sd = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
    if ( sd < 0 ) return sd;
    code = bind(sd, &bind_addr, sizeof(bind_addr) );
    if ( code < 0 ) { close(sd); return code; }
    code = listen(sd, 1);
    if ( code < 0 ) { close(sd); return code; }
    return sd;
}
```

## passive open

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```
int  tcp_accept(sock)
    int sock;
{
    int      sd;
    struct  sockaddr bind_addr;
    int len=sizeof(bind_addr);
    sd = accept(sock, &bind_addr, &len);
    return sd;
}
```

## tcp accept

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## 2. client code

```
main( int argc, char**argv )
{
    int  serv_sk, len;
    char *errmsg;
    serv_sk = tcp_active_open(host,port); /* request connection */
    if ( serv_sk < 0 ) { perror("socket"); exit(1); }
    printf("You can send now\n");

    for(;;) { /* talk to server */
        if ( gets(buff) == NULL ) { /* client's turn */
            close(serv_sk); break;
        }
        write(serv_sk,buff,strlen(buff));

        len = read(serv_sk,buff,buf_len); //wait for server's response
        if (len == 0) {
            printf("server finished the conversation\n");break;
        }
        buff[len] = '\0';
        printf("server says: %s\n",buff);
    }    exit(0);
}
```

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## active open

```
int  tcp_active_open(char* hostname,int portno)
{
    int      sd, code;
    struct  sockaddr_in bind_addr;
    struct hostent *host;

    host = gethostbyname(hostname);
    if (host == NULL ) return -1;
    bind_addr.sin_family = PF_INET;
    bind_addr.sin_addr = *((struct in_addr *) (host->h_addr));
    bind_addr.sin_port = portno;
    sd = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
    if ( sd < 0 ) return sd;
    code = connect(sd, &bind_addr, sizeof(bind_addr) );
    if ( code < 0 ) { close(sd); return code; }
    return sd;
}
```

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# Daemon Processes

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## Daemon Characteristics

Commonly, `dæmon` processes are created to offer a specific service.

Dæmon processes usually

- live for a long time
- are started at boot time
- terminate only during shutdown
- have no controlling terminal

The previously listed characteristics have certain implications:

- do one thing, and one thing only
- no (or only limited) user-interaction possible
- consider current working directory
- how to create (debugging) output



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## Writing a Daemon

- fork off the parent process
- change file mode mask (umask)
- create a unique Session ID (SID)
- change the current working directory to a safe place
- close (or redirect) standard file descriptors
- open any logs for writing
- enter actual daemon code

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## Example Daemon Creation

```
int daemon_init(void)
{
    pid_t pid;
    if ((pid=fork())<0) return (-1);
    else if (pid!=0) exit (0); //parent goes away
    setsid(); //becomes session leader
    chdir("/"); //cwd
    umask(0); //clear file creation mask
    return (0)
}
```

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## Daemon Logging

A daemon cannot simply print error messages to the terminal or standard error. Also, we would not want each daemon writing their error messages into separate files in different formats. A central logging facility is needed.

There are three ways to generate log messages:

- via the kernel routine `log(9)`
- via the userland routine `syslog(3)`
- via UDP messages to port 514

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## Syslog()

`openlog(3)` allows us to set specific options when logging:

- prepend *ident* to each message
- specify logging options (`LOG_CONS` | `LOG_NDELAY` | `LOG_PERRO` | `LOG_PID`)
- specify a *facility* (such as `LOG_DAEMON`, `LOG_MAIL` etc.)

`syslog(3)` writes a message to the system message logger, tagged with *priority*. A *priority* is a combination of a *facility* (as above) and a *level* (such as `LOG_DEBUG`, `LOG_WARNING` or `LOG_EMERG`).

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