

Socket Programming

Sockets

- Socket is a data communication endpoint for exchanging data over the network
- Uniquely identified by:
 - ip address
 - %end-to-end protocol (e.g. TCP or UDP)%

- port number

Types of (TCP/IP) Sockets :

Stream Sockets (e.g uses TCP):

- Provides reliable byte-stream service
- Connection oriented
- Data in order

Datagram Sockets (e.g uses UDP):

- Connection less
- Data not in order
- Not reliable

Important Terms

- Socket Creation

- Bind
- Listen
- Accept
- Connect
- Send
- Receive
- Close

Stream (e.g. TCP)

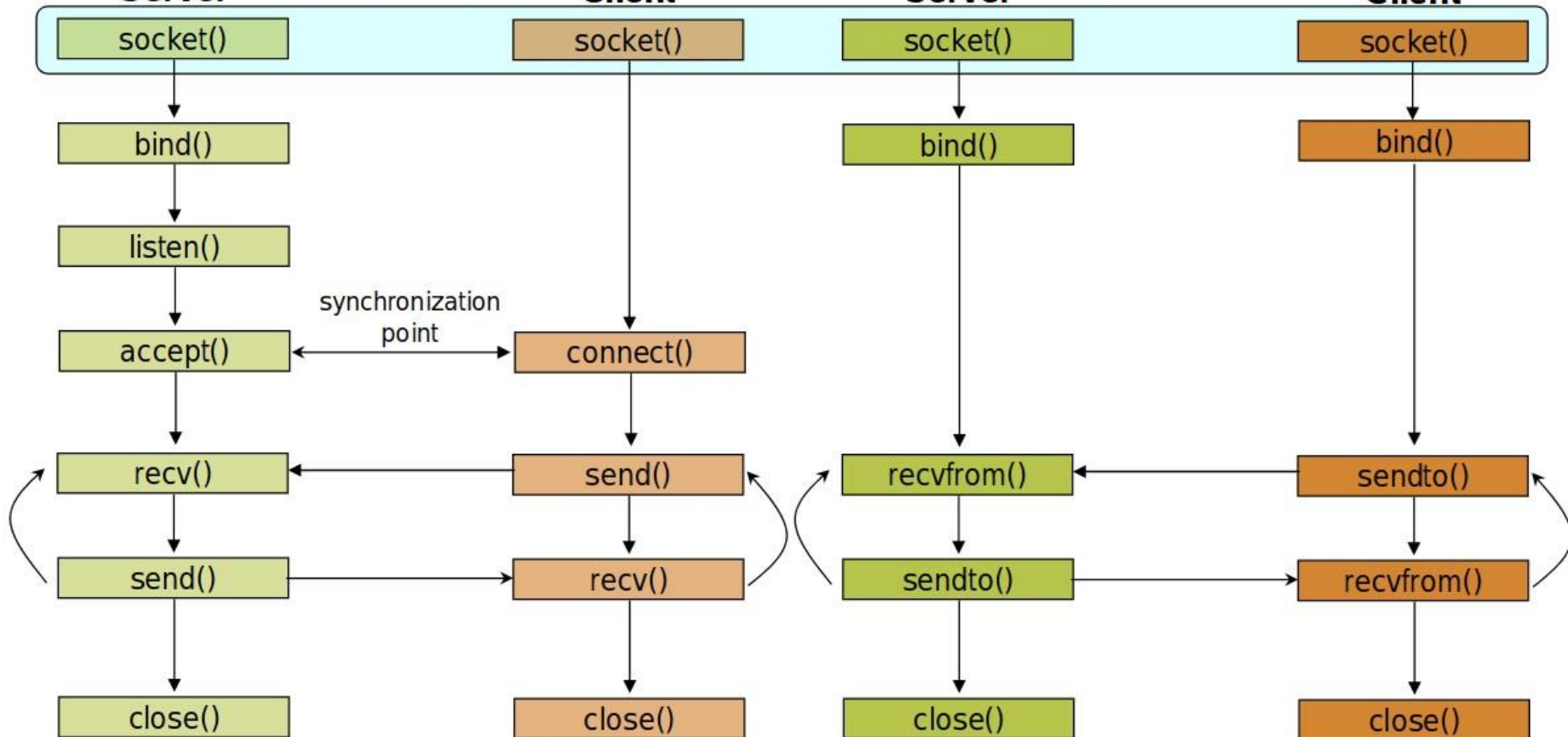
Server

Client

Datagram (e.g. UDP)

Server

Client



Socket Creation

```
int sockid = socket(family, type, protocol);
```

sockid : socket descriptor, an integer (like a file-handle)

Family:

E.g PF_INET IPv4 Internet protocols

More details :

- <http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man2/socket.2.html>

Type : **Communication Type**

SOCK_STREAM

SOCK_DGRAM

Protocol :

usually set to 0 (i.e., use default protocol)

Closing

Socket

```
int status = close(sockid);
```

- Sockid : descriptor
- status : 0 if successful , -1 if error

Closing a socket:

- Closes a connection (for stream socket) - Frees up the port used by the socket

Bind()

Assign address to socket

```
struct sockaddr_in{
    unsigned short sin_family; /* Internet protocol (AF_INET) */
    unsigned short sin_port;   /* Address port (16 bits) */
    struct in_addr sin_addr;   /* Internet address (32 bits) */
};
```

```
struct in_addr {
    unsigned long s_addr; /* Internet address (32 bits) */
} int status = bind(sockid, &addrport,
size);
```

Example:

```
int sockfd = socket(PF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
```

```
If ( socketfd < 0 ){ cout<<"Error in  
connection"<<endl;  
exit(1);  
}
```

```
struct sockaddr_in serveraddr; serveraddr.sin_family = AF_INET;  
serveraddr.sin_port=htons(2000);  
serveraddr.sin_addr.s_addr=inet_addr("127.0.0.1"); int ret = bind(socketfd ,  
(struct sockaddr*)&serveraddr , sizeof(serveraddr));
```

```
If ( ret < 0 ){ cout<<"Error in  
Binding"<<endl;  
exit(1);  
}
```

Listen()

```
int status = listen(sockid, queueLimit) ;
```

queueLimit : No. of active participants that can “wait” for a connection.

Note:

If a connection request arrives when the queue is full, the client may receive an error with an indication of ECONNREFUSED.

Establish Connection: connect()

The client establishes a connection with the server by calling `connect()`

```
int status = connect(sockid, &foreignAddr, addrlen);
```

`sockid` : socket descriptor, an integer (like a file-handle)

`foreignAddr` : struct sockaddr: address of the passive participant

`Addrlen` : size of addr structure

Incoming Connection : `accept()`

The server gets a socket for an incoming client connection by calling `accept()`

```
int new_socket = accept(sockid, &clientAddr, &addrLen);
```

`accept()` :

is blocking: waits for connection before returning

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dequeues the next connection on the queue for socket (sockid)

Exchanging data with stream socket

`Send()` :

```
int count = send(sockid, msg, msgLen, flags);
```

sockid : socket descriptor, an integer (like a file-handle)

msg : const void[], message to be transmitted

msgLen : length of message **flags** : integer,

special options, usually just 0

Count : Number of bytes transmitted (-1 if error)

More Details :

- <https://linux.die.net/man/2/send>

Recv() :

```
int count = recv(sockid, recvBuf, bufLen, flags);
```

sockid : socket descriptor, an integer (like a file-

handle) **recvBuf**: void[], stores received bytes **bufLen**:

bytes to read **flags**: # bytes received (-1 if error)

Note:

send() and recv() are blocking%% returns only after data is sent / received

Exchanging data with datagram socket

Sendto () :

```
int count=sendto(sockid,msg,msgLen, flags,&foreignAddr,
addrlen);
```

sockid : socket descriptor, an integer (like a file-handle)

msg : const void[], message to be transmitted

msgLen : length of message

flags : integer, special options, usually just 0

Count : Number of bytes transmitted (-1 if error)

foreignAddr : Address of destination

AddrLen : sizeof(foreignAddr)

Recvfrom() :

```
int count = recvfrom(sockid, recvBuf, bufLen, flags,  
&clientAddr, addrLen);
```

sockid : socket descriptor, an integer (like a file-handle)
recvBuf: void[], stores received bytes
bufLen:

bytes to read
flags: # bytes received (-1 if error)

clientAddr : Address of destination

AddrLen : sizeof(clientAddr)

Examples (Stream Socket):

1. Send some integer from client to server:

Client Side :

```
int x = 10;  
send(clientSock, &x, sizeof(x), 0);
```

Server Side :

```
int x;  
recv(serverSock, &x, sizeof(x), 0);
```

2 . Sending a file:

- Sending Side (client) `int sockfd = socket(`

`AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);`

```
struct sockaddr_in serv_addr; serv_addr.sin_family =  
AF_INET; serv_addr.sin_port = htons( PORT );  
serv_addr.sin_addr.s_addr=inet_addr("127.0.0.1");
```

```
connect ( sockfd , (struct sockaddr *)&serv_addr , sizeof(serv_addr) )
```

```
FILE *fp = fopen ( "path of file" , "rb" );
```

```
    fseek ( fp , 0 , SEEK_END);
```

```
    int size = ftell ( fp );
```

```
    rewind ( fp );
```

```
send ( sockfd , &size, sizeof(file_size), 0);
```

```
char Buffer [ BUFF_SIZE] ; while ( ( n = fread( Buffer , sizeof(char) , BUFF_SIZE ,  
    fp ) ) > 0 && size > 0 ){
```

```
    send (sockfd , Buffer, n, 0 )
```

```
    memset ( Buffer , '\0',  
    BUFF_SIZE); size = size - n ;
```

```
}
```

```
fclose ( fp );
```

```
close( sockfd)
```

- **Receiving Side (Server)** server_fd = **socket**

```
(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
```

```
struct sockaddr_in  addr; addr.sin_family =  
AF_INET; addr.sin_port = htons( PORT );  
addr.sin_addr.s_addr=inet_addr(INADDR_ANY);  
int addrlen = sizeof(sockaddr)
```

```
bind (server_fd , (struct sockaddr *)&addr , sizeof ( addr ) ) listen (server_fd, 3) int  
sockfd = accept ( server_fd , (struct sockaddr *)&address , (socklen_t*)&addrlen);
```

```
FILE *fp = fopen ( "path of file" , "wb" );  
char  Buffer  [  BUFF_SIZE ]  ;  int  
file_size ;
```

```
    recv(serverSock, &file_size, sizeof(file_size) , 0) ;  
while ( ( n = recv( sockfd , Buffer , BUFF_SIZE, 0) ) > 0  &&  file_size > 0){  
  
    fwrite (Buffer , sizeof (char), n, fp)  
    memset  (  Buffer  ,  '\0',  BUFF_SIZE);  
    file_size = file_size - n;  
}
```


close(sockfd)
close(serverfd)
fclose (fp);
Multithreaded
Server

```
void main() {  
    .....  
    .....  
    listen ( sockfd , 5 ) while(1){ newsocket= accept( sockfd , (struct  
    sockaddr*)&newAddr , &addr_size); thread  
    RequestThread(serveRequest,newsocket,newAddr);  
    }  
}  
void serveRequest ( int newsoc , struct sockaddr_in  
newAddr){ // bla bla bla }
```