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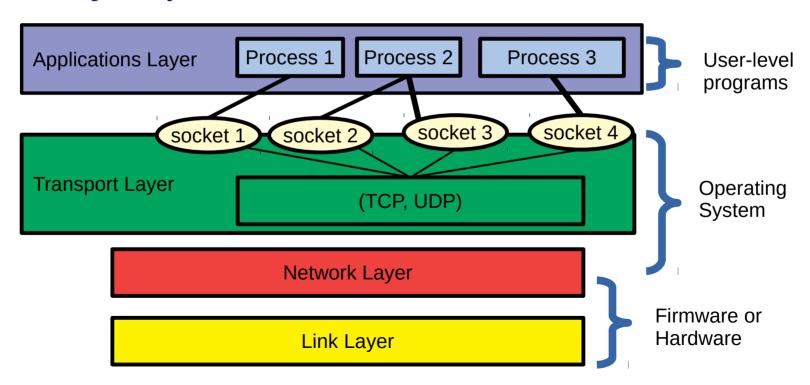
Questions

APPLICATIONS LAYER

- What is the "Interface" between applications and the Internet? How can applications use services of the layers below? **The Sockets API**
- Some popular applications, how they work, protocols they use:
 - **The Web** and HTTP, Email, Peer-to-peer applications
- How can "names" be translated to IP addresses? DNS

Recap: Sockets

• Sockets serve as an Interface between Applications and the Transport layer



Recap: Types of Sockets

- SOCK_STREAM (Uses TCP)
 - Reliable, in-order delivery
 - Connection-oriented
 - Congestion-controlled

A destination socket on the receiving host is uniquely identified by:

<dest Port, Src IP, Src Port>

- SOCK_DGRAM (Uses UDP)
 - Best-effort (unreliable, not guaranteed to be in-order)
 - Connection-less
 - No congestion control

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<dest Port>

• Using the Sockets interface and the services provided by the layers below, how can we design/re-create some popular Internet Applications?

- A Chat Room
- Remote Login
- Email
- Peer-to-Peer File Sharing
- The Web
- Multiplayer online games

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What is an Application-Layer Protocol?

- **Format** of messages excahnged by communicating processes
- Sequence/Order of messages expected
- **Interpretation/Meaning** of each message

A Protocol spans all of the above

Stateful and Stateless Protocols

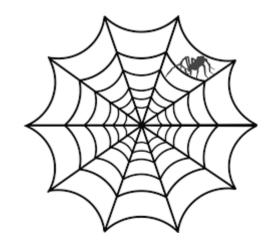
Stateless Protocol

- The receiver (typically Server) maintains no information about the State of the sender (Client).
- Every packet received can be understood in isolation

Stateful Protocol

- The server maintains information about the client's state
- Need to allocate storage for each communication session in progress and clean-up after the session ends
- Q: Is TCP Stateful? What about UDP? IP? HTTP? DNS?

The Web and HTTP



The World Wide Web (WWW) also known as **The Web**

- Is an **Information-sharing** application that uses the Internet
 - How is Knowledge/Information structured?
 - As a graph or "web". One topic connects/links to others.

- The Web has a **Client-server architecture:**
 - A Client process (web broswer) requests web-pages from a Server and displays them to the user.

History of the Web

- Invented by Sir Tim Berners-Lee in 1989 at CERN
- **1990:** Berners-Lee wrote the first web browser and server program

Interesting Ref:

https://webfoundation.org/about/vision/history-of-the-web/

The World Wide Web Consortium (**W3C**) maintains open standards related to the Web



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- The sending/receiving programs: Web Browser and Web Server
- **A Protocol** for communicating between the sending/receiving programs:
 - Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)
- A standard for formatting/displaying the Information:
 - Hyper Text Markup Language (HTML)

The Web

• **Web Page:** A single document

• **Website:** Multiple web resources with a common theme, a common domain name, or both, make up a website.

• **Web Server:** Websites are stored in computers that run a program called a web server that responds to requests made over the Internet from web browsers running on client computers.

HTML

- Need some way of expressing how to display/format the information
- Hypertext Markup Language (HTML)
 - Allows creators to express formatting info such as:
 - Bold/italic text, font size, style and color, images, image position ... and much more.

- How to Create Webpages? HTML/CSS Tutorials: https://www.w3schools.com/html/default.asp
- Demo: view template files index.html and page2.html in a text editor
 Also hosted (temporarily) at: https://www.iitgoa.ac.in/~nehak/example.html

References and Reading Assignment

- Kurose and Ross 6th ed
 - Section 2.2: The Web and HTTP

- Wikipedia entry about the WWW:
 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Wide_Web
- [Cold Fusion] A Brief History of the Internet: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8sTy8466MoE