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Lecture 8

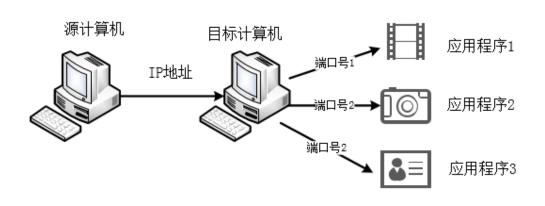
- Network Basics
- Network Protocols
- Socket Programming
- Getting Web Data



Networking

Networking is a concept of connecting two or more computing devices together so that we can share resources

Networking Terminology



- IP address: a unique address that distinguishes a device on the internet or a local network
- Domain name: a human-friendly version of an IP address that you enter in browser (translated by DNS)
- **Port number**: a number used to identify different applications/processes uniquely

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Network Architecture

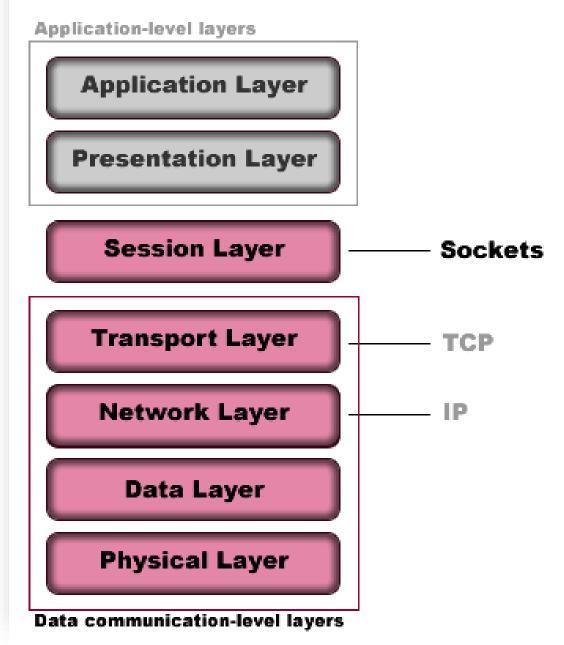
The OSI model is a conceptual model that represents how network communications work. It describes how the network devices are connected and the rules that govern data transfer between them

Layer #	Layer Name	Description			
Upper Layer					
7	Application	Provides user interface and other functionality to complete the application - file transfer, e-mail, etc.			
6	Presentation	Formats data - compresses/decompresses, encrypts/decrypts, convert between different representations.			
5	Session	Opens a session (virtual connection) between two network hosts, controls the session, and closes it.			
Lower Layer					
4	Transport	Transfers data reliably or unreliably.			
3	Network	Addresses packets and routes to provide end-to-end communications between two network hosts.			
2	Data Link	Creates and controls the physical links of communication between two endpoints and multiplexes links competing for a shared interface.			
1	Physical	Network card / chip and cables.			

http://diranieh.com/SOCKETS/Concepts

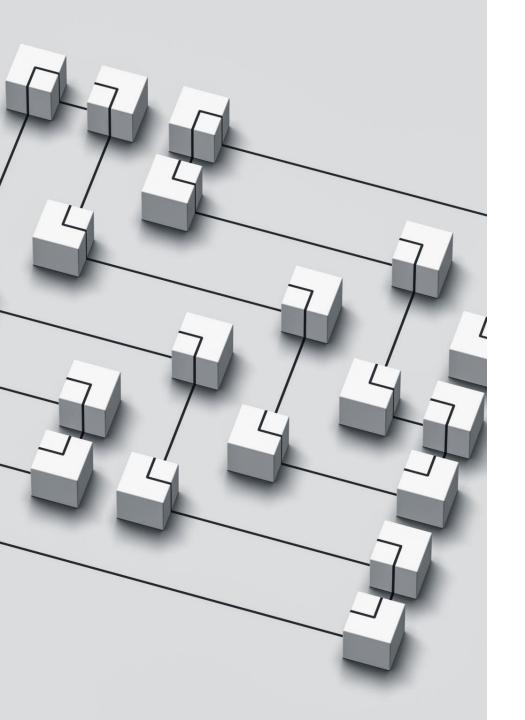
Network Architecture

- Sockets fit in at the session layer in the OSI model, above TCP/IP.
- Sockets are the abstraction used by programmers.
- A socket can be thought of as a communications cable (tunnel) running from one application to another. You can put or get data from this cable.
- Sockets are an abstraction that transcends programming languages. Almost all languages have sockets.



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Network Protocols

- A network protocol (网络协议) is a set of established rules that dictate how to format, transmit and receive data so that computer network devices can communicate, regardless of the differences in their underlying infrastructures, designs or standards.
- To successfully send and receive information, devices on both sides of a communication exchange must accept and follow protocol conventions
- Without computing protocols, computers and other devices would not know how to engage with each other.

Application Layer Protocols

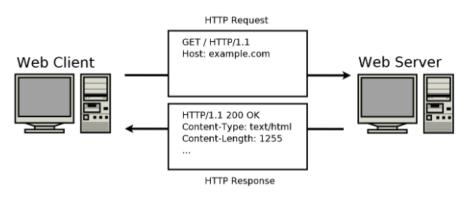
- Each Internet application has a different application protocol, which describes how the data for that particular application are transmitted.
- A port number helps a computer decide which application should receive an incoming piece of data

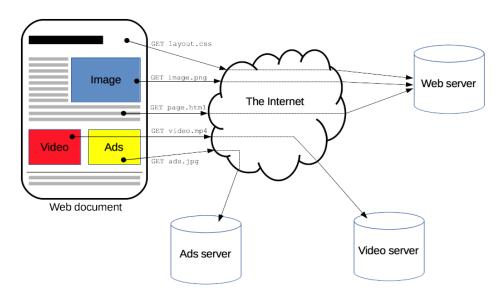
Well-known port numbers are reserved and we can no longer use them for other purposes

Port number	Protocol that uses it	
21	File Transfer Protocol (FTP)	
25	Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP)	
80 & 8080	HyperText Transfer Protocol (HTTP)	
110	Post Office Protocol v3 (POP3)	
143	Internet Message Access Protocol (IMAP)	
443	HyperText Transfer Protocol over SSL/TLS (HTTPS)	
666	Doom Multiplayer game	
989	Secure FTP (SFTP)	
23	Telnet	
25565	Minecraft Multiplayer Default Port	
27015	Source Engine Multiplayer Default Port	

HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol)

- HTTP is a protocol for fetching resources such as HTML documents. It is the foundation
 of any data exchange on the Web
- It is a client-server protocol, which means requests are initiated by the client, usually the web browser.
- Web server responds with an HTTP response





HTTP Request Commands

Table 1 HTTP Commands					
Command	Meaning				
GET	Return the requested item				
HEAD	HEAD Request only the header information of an item				
OPTIONS	Request communications options of an item				
POST	Supply input to a server-side command and return the result				
PUT	Store an item on the server				
DELETE	Delete an item on the server				
TRACE	Trace server communication				

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http://www.tcpipguide.com/free/t_HTTPResponseMessageFormat.htm

GET /index.html HTTP/1.1	Request Line	
Date: Thu, 20 May 2004 21:12:55 GMT Connection: close	General Headers	
Host: www.myfavoriteamazingsite.com From: joebloe@somewebsitesomewhere.com Accept: text/html, text/plain User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1)	Request Headers Entity Headers	HTTP Request
	Message Body	

HTTP/1.1 200 OK	Status Line	
Date: Thu, 20 May 2004 21:12:58 GMT Connection: close	General Headers	
Server: Apache/1.3.27 Accept-Ranges: bytes	Response Headers	
Content-Type: text/html Content-Length: 170 Last-Modified: Tue, 18 May 2004 10:14:49 GMT	Entity Headers	Снтть
<html> <head> <title>Welcome to the Amazing Site!</title> </head></html>		Response
 This site is under construction. Please come back later. Sorry!	Message Body	

HTTP Request/Response Message Format

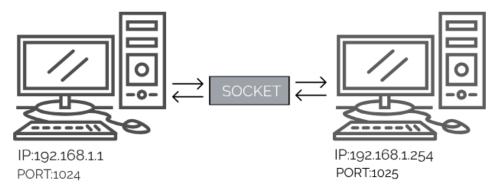


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Socket

- To communicate, a client program and a server program establish a connection to one another
- Each program binds a socket to its end of the connection
- A socket is one endpoint of a two-way communication link between two programs running on the network.
 - Endpoint: IP address + Port number
- To communicate, the client and the server each reads from and writes to the socket bound to the connection.



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Socket

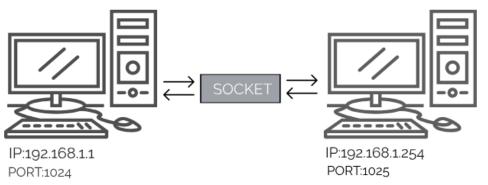
 The java.net package provides a powerful and flexible infrastructure for networking, providing various classes and interfaces that execute the lowlevel communication features

Socket(String host, int port)

Creates a stream socket and connects it to the specified port number on the named host.

ServerSocket(int port)

Creates a server socket, bound to the specified port.



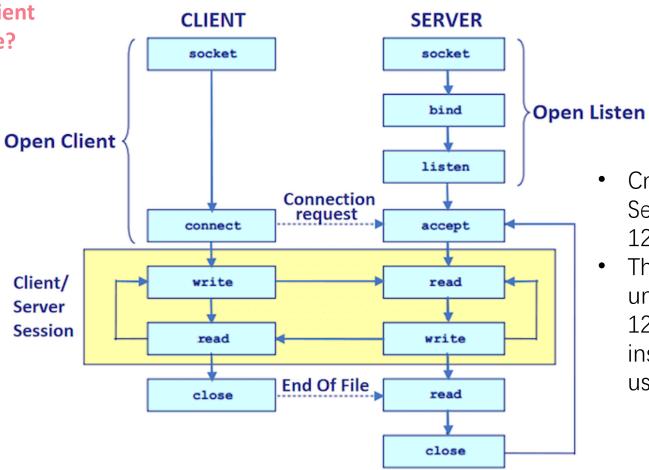
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Socket s = new Socket("www.serverip.com", 1234);

ServerSocket ss = new ServerSocket(1234);
Socket s = ss.accept();

What if the server and client run on the same machine?

- Create an instance of Socket by passing the IP or hostname of the server and a port number
- If the connection fails, an Exception is thrown
- Otherwise, establish the connection and use Socket to read and write.

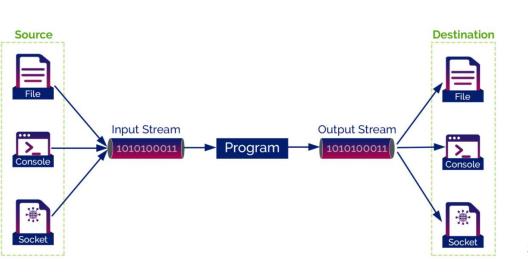


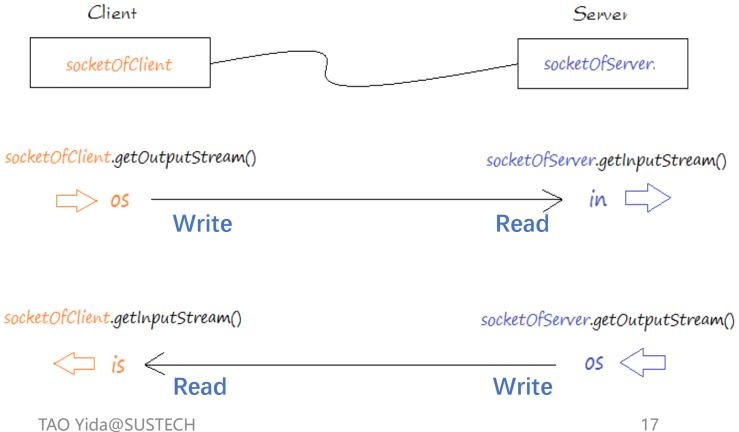
- Create an instance of ServerSocket by binding to 1234 port number
- The accept() method waits until a client connects to port 1234, and if so, return an instance of Socket that is used for reading and writing.

SOCKET API

Reading from and Writing to a Socket

 After establishing the connection, we can use socket.getInputStream() and socket.getOutputStream() for both the client and the server





A Toy Example: Client

```
public class SimpleTcpClient {
  public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
    // connect to localhost's 1234 port
    // return a socket if the connection succeeds
     Socket socket = new Socket("localhost", 1234);
    // Get OutputStream
    // and write messages as bytes
    OutputStream os = socket.getOutputStream();
     byte[] msg = "Hello server!".getBytes();
    os.write(msg);
     System.out.println("Client's message sent");
    // closing the OutputStream will close the associated socket.
    os.close();
```

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A Toy Example: Server

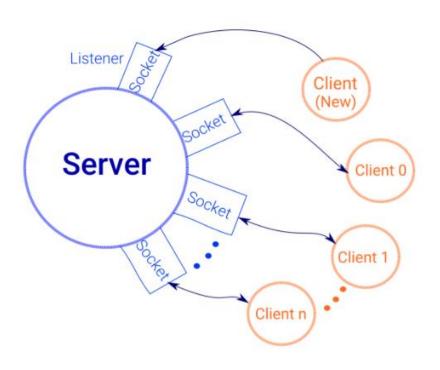
```
public class SimpleTcpServer {
  public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
     // Listen to port 1234
     ServerSocket serverSocket = new ServerSocket(1234);
     // accept() blocks until a client connects
     // if a client connects successfully, return a Socket instance
     System.out.println("Waiting for client.....");
     Socket socket = serverSocket.accept();
     System.out.println("Client connected.");
     // use the socket's inputstream to read message from the client
     InputStream inputStream = socket.getInputStream();
     // get client msg as bytes and print it
     byte[] buf = new byte[1024];
     int readLen = 0:
     while((readLen = inputStream.read(buf))!=-1){
       System.out.println(new String(buf, 0, readLen));
     // closing the InputStream will close the associated socket
     inputStream.close();
     serverSocket.close();
```

A Toy Example

```
public class SimpleTcpClient {
              public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
                 // connect to localhost's 1234 port
                 // return a socket if the connection succeeds
                 Socket socket = new Socket( host: "localhost", port: 1234);
                 OutputStream os = socket.getOutputStream();
                 // use byte stream
                 byte[] msg = "Hello server!".getBytes();
Stru
                 os.write(msg);
                 System.out.println("Client's message sent");
    SimpleTcpServer ×
                      SimpleTcpClient
```

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Why "Toy" Examples?



- The toy server reads only 1 message then exits;
 In practice, server keeps running
- The toy client/server handles byte directly, which is cumbersome
- In practice, servers need to support multiple clients at the same time

More practical: We could use threads on server side: whenever a client request comes, a separate thread is assigned for handling each request

```
BankAccount

BankAccount()

BankAccount(double)

deposit(double): void

withdraw(double): void

getBalance(): double

balance: double
```

 A bank account has a balance that can be changed by deposits and withdrawals.

```
public synchronized void deposit (double amount) {
   balance = balance + amount;
   notifyAll();
public synchronized void withdraw (double amount) {
   try {
      while (balance < amount) wait();</pre>
      balance = balance - amount;
   } catch (InterruptedException e) {}
   deposit() and withdraw() are properly synchronized
```

Bank
 Bank(int)
 deposit(int, double): void
 withdraw(int, double): void
 getBalance(int): double
 accounts: BankAccount[]

- A bank has multiple bank accounts
- A bank can withdraw from or deposit to a certain account

```
public class Bank {
   private BankAccount[] accounts;
   /**
      Constructs a bank account with a given
      number of accounts.
      @param size the number of accounts
   public Bank (int size) {
      accounts = new BankAccount[size];
       for (int \underline{i} = 0; \underline{i} < accounts.length; \underline{i}++) {
          accounts[i] = new BankAccount();
```

```
    Bank
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    getBalance(int): double
    accounts: BankAccount[]
```

- A bank has multiple bank accounts
- A bank can withdraw from or deposit to a certain account

```
public void deposit (int accountNumber, double amount) {
   BankAccount account = accounts[accountNumber];
   account.deposit( amount);
public void withdraw (int accountNumber, double amount) {
   BankAccount account = accounts[accountNumber];
   account.withdraw( amount);
public double getBalance (int accountNumber) {
   BankAccount account = accounts[accountNumber];
  return account.getBalance();
```

Banking Service Protocol

Table 2 A Simple Bank Access Protocol					
Client Request	Server Response	Description			
BALANCE n	n and the balance	Get the balance of account <i>n</i>			
DEPOSIT n a	n and the new balance	Deposit amount a into account n			
WITHDRAW n a	n and the new balance	Withdraw amount a from account n			
QUIT	None	Quit the connection			

Whenever you develop a server application, you need to specify some application-level protocol that clients can use to interact with the server

Bank Server

```
public class BankServer {
   public static void main (String[] args) throws IOException {
      final int ACCOUNTS_LENGTH = 10;
      Bank bank = new Bank( ACCOUNTS_LENGTH);
      final int SBAP_PORT = 8888;
      ServerSocket server = new ServerSocket( SBAP_PORT);
      System.out.println( "Waiting for clients to connect..." );
      while (true) {
         Socket socket = server.accept();
         System.out.println( "Client connected." );
        // start a thread for the service
         BankService service = new BankService(socket, bank);
         Thread t = new Thread(service);
        t.start();
```

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```
© ■ BankService

✓ ■ Runnable

■ run(): void

■ BankService(Socket, Bank)

■ doService(): void

■ executeCommand(String): void

■ s: Socket

■ in: Scanner

■ out: PrintWriter

■ bank: Bank
```

A bank service executes the banking service protocol

```
public class BankService implements Runnable {
  private Socket s;
  private Bank bank;
  private Scanner in;
  private PrintWriter out;
  /**
      Constructs a service object that processes commands
     from a socket for a bank.
     Oparam aSocket the socket
      @param aBank the bank
  public BankService (Socket aSocket, Bank aBank) {
      s = aSocket;
      bank = aBank;
```

BankService

Runnable

run(): void

BankService(Socket, Bank)

doService(): void

executeCommand(String): void

s: Socket

in: Scanner

out: PrintWriter

bank: Bank

```
public void run() {
  try {
     try {
         in = new Scanner( s.getInputStream());
         out = new PrintWriter( s.getOutputStream());
         doService();
     } finally {
         s.close();
  } catch (IOException exception) {
     exception.printStackTrace();
  Executes all commands until the QUIT command
  or the end of input.
public void doService() throws IOException {
  while (true) {
     if (!in.hasNext()) return;
     String command = in.next();
     if ("QUIT".equals(command)) return;
     executeCommand( command);
```

BankService

Runnable

run(): void

BankService(Socket, Bank)

doService(): void

executeCommand(String): void

s: Socket

in: Scanner

out: PrintWriter

bank: Bank

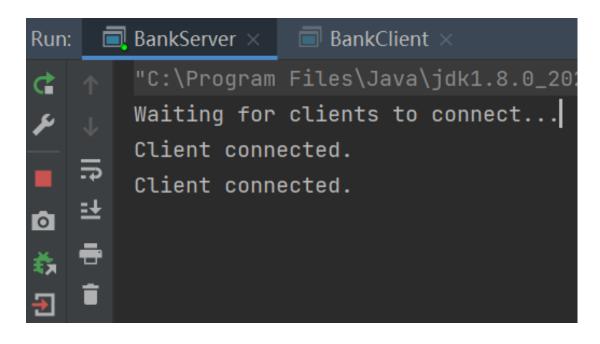
```
public void executeCommand (String command) {
   int account = in.nextInt();
   double amount;
   switch (command) {
   case "DEPOSIT" :
       amount = in.nextDouble();
       bank.deposit( account, amount);
       break;
   case "WITHDRAW" :
       amount = in.nextDouble();
       bank.withdraw( account, amount);
       break;
                                                        Table 2 A Simple Bank Access Protocol
                                                  Client Request
   case "BALANCE" :
                                                          n and the balance
                                                                     Get the balance of account n
                                                         n and the new balance
                                                                    Deposit amount a into account n
       break;
                                                                   Withdraw amount a from account n
                                                                      Quit the connection
   default:
       out.println( "Invalid command" );
       out.flush();
       return;
   out.println( account + " " + bank.getBalance( account) );
   out.flush();
```

Bank Client

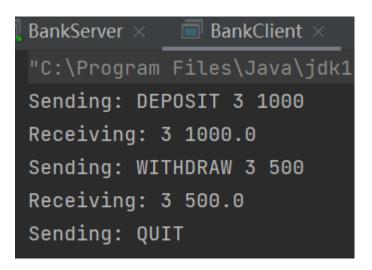
- To communicate with the server by sending and receiving text, you could turn the streams into scanners and writers
- Use println instead of print to mark the end of input
- The flush method empties the buffer and forwards all waiting characters to the destination.

```
public class BankClient {
 public static void main (String[] args) throws IOException {
   final int SBAP_PORT = 8888;
   try (Socket s = new Socket( "localhost", SBAP_PORT)) {
     InputStream instream = s.getInputStream();
     OutputStream outstream = s.getOutputStream();
     Scanner in = new Scanner(instream);
     PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter( outstream);
     String command = "DEPOSIT 3 1000";
     System.out.println( "Sending: " + command);
     out.println(command);
     out.flush();
     String response = in.nextLine();
     System.out.println("Receiving: " + response):
     command = "WITHDRAW 3 500":
     System.out.println( "Sending: " + command);
     out.println(command);
     out.flush();
     response = in.nextLine();
     System.out.println("Receiving: " + response);
     command = "QUIT";
     System.out.println( "Sending: " + command);
     out.println(command);
     out.flush();
```

Case Study



Server keeps running



```
BankServer × BankClient ×
"C:\Program Files\Java\jd
Sending: DEPOSIT 3 1000
Receiving: 3 1500.0
Sending: WITHDRAW 3 500
Receiving: 3 1000.0
Sending: QUIT
```



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 - java.net package
 - Web scraping libraries
 - REST API

Fetching a web page with socket

```
public static void readBySocket(String host) throws IOException {
  try(Socket s = new Socket(host, 80)){
    InputStream instream = s.getInputStream();
    OutputStream outstream = s.getOutputStream();
    // working with text
    Scanner in = new Scanner(instream);
    PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(outstream);
    // Send command
    String resource = "/";
     String command = "GET" + resource + "HTTP/1.1\n" +
         "Host: " + host + "\n":
    System.out.println(command);
    out.println(command);
    out.flush();
    // Read server response
    while(in.hasNextLine()){
       String input = in.nextLine();
       System. out. println(input);
```

The client establish a Socket with the server. The socket constructor throws an UnknownHostException if it can't find the host.

InputStream and OutputStream classes are used for reading and writing bytes. If you want to communicate with the server by sending and receiving <u>text</u>, you should turn the streams into scanners and writers

A print writer buffer characters. We need to flush the buffer manually so that the server get a complete request

Receive responses from the server

Fetching a web page with socket

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     InputStream instream = s.getInputStream();
     OutputStream outstream = s.getOutputStream();
    // working with text
     Scanner in = new Scanner(instream);
     PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(outstream);
    // Send command
     String resource = "/";
     String command = "GET" + resource + "HTTP/1.1\n" +
          "Host: " + host + "\n";
     System.out.println(command);
     out.println(command);
     out.flush();
    // Read server response
     while(in.hasNextLine()){
       String input = in.nextLine();
       System.out.println(input);
```

```
GET / HTTP/1.1
Host: cn.bing.com
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Cache-Control: private
Content-Length: 6526
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
P3P: CP="NON UNI COM NAV STA LOC CURa DEVa PSAa PSDa OUR IND"
Set-Cookie: MUID=342CEEBFAABE64703824FD7BABD865EC; domain=.bing.com; expires=Tue, 03-[
Set-Cookie: MUIDB=342CEEBFAABE64703824FD7BABD865EC; expires=Tue, 03-Dec-2024 02:55:50
Set-Cookie: _EDGE_S=F=1&SID=1DA351BD365D6B6B0B634279373B6A27; domain=.bing.com; path=/
Set-Cookie: _EDGE_V=1; domain=.bing.com; expires=Tue, 03-Dec-2024 02:55:50 GMT; path=/
Set-Cookie: SRCHD=AF=NOFORM; domain=.bing.com; expires=Sun, 09-Nov-2025 02:55:50 GMT;
Set-Cookie: SRCHUID=V=2&GUID=91210C057210470392FD49A1D90FDFDA&dmnchg=1; domain=.bing.c
Set-Cookie: SRCHUSR=DOB=20231109; domain=.bing.com; expires=Sun, 09-Nov-2025 02:55:50
Set-Cookie: SRCHHPGUSR=SRCHLANG=zh-Hans; domain=.binq.com; expires=Sun, 09-Nov-2025 02
Set-Cookie: _SS=SID=1DA351BD365D6B6B0B634279373B6A27; domain=.bing.com; path=/
Set-Cookie: ULC=; domain=.bing.com; expires=Wed, 08-Nov-2023 02:55:50 GMT; path=/
Set-Cookie: _HPVN=CS=eyJQbiI6eyJDbiI6MSwiU3Qi0jAsIlFzIjowLCJQcm9kIjoiUCJ9LCJTYyI6eyJDb
X-EventID: 654c4a3623a744babae08b1c6e40a52d
UserAgentReductionOptOut: A7kqTC5xdZ2WIVGZEfb1hUoNuvjz0ZX3VIV/BA6C18kQ00F50Q0D3oWoAm49
X-Cache: CONFIG_NOCACHE
X-MSEdge-Ref: Ref A: BE44B4ADF98A45F49C530032339CFD7E Ref B: BJ1EDGE1116 Ref C: 2023-1
Date: Thu, 09 Nov 2023 02:55:49 GMT
<!doctype html><html lang="zh" dir="ltr"><head><meta name="theme-color" content="#4F4F</pre>
                   placeholder="" type="search" maxlength="1000" autocapitalize="off"
                   title="輸入搜索词" autofocus="autofocus" ) /><input id="sb_form_go" 1
    title="搜索" name="search" value=""
```

Fetching a web page with socket

```
public static void readBySocket(String host) throws IOException {
  try(Socket s = new Socket(host, 80)){
    InputStream instream = s.getInputStream();
    OutputStream outstream = s.getOutputStream();
    // working with text
    Scanner in = new Scanner(instream);
    PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(outstream);
    // Send command
     String resource = "/";
     String command = "GET" + resource + "HTTP/1.1\n" +
          "Host: " + host + "\n";
    System.out.println(command);
    out.println(command);
    out.flush();
    // Read server response
    while(in.hasNextLine()){
       String input = in.nextLine();
       System. out. println(input);
```

Problems

- We have to handle socket connections and socket errors by ourselves
- We have to manually create HTTP requests with the correct format
- We have to manually parse HTTP responses

To access web servers in Java, we want to work **at a higher level** than socket connections and HTTP requests

URLConnection

- Java contains a URLConnection class (java.net package), which provides convenient support for the HTTP
- The URLConnection class takes care of the socket connection, so you
 do not have to fuss with sockets when you want to retrieve from a
 web server.
- As an additional benefit, the URLConnection class can also handle FTP, the file transfer protocol.

Fetching a web page with URLConnection

```
public static void readByURLConnection(String url) throws IOException {
  URL u = new URL(url);
  // Open connection
  URLConnection conn = u.openConnection();
  // For HTTP an HttpURLConnection will be returned
  HttpURLConnection httpConn = (HttpURLConnection) conn;
  // Check response code and status
  int code = httpConn.getResponseCode();
  String msg = httpConn.getResponseMessage();
  System.out.println(code + " " + msg);
  if(code != HttpURLConnection.HTTP_OK){
    return;
  // Read server response
  InputStream istream = httpConn.getInputStream();
  Scanner in = new Scanner(istream);
  while (in.hasNextLine()){
    System.out.println(in.nextLine());
```

Fetching a web page with URLConnection

String url = "https://cn.bing.com/";

```
200 OK
<!doctype html><html lang="zh" dir="ltr"><head><meta name="theme-color
 style="position:relative; vertical-align:top; margin-right:-16px; right:
微软必应手机版</span><span class="id_qrcode_subtitle">全球资源,有求必应</sp
var preloadBg = document.getElementById('preloadBg'); if (preloadBg) {
//]]></script><script type="text/javascript" crossorigin="anonymous" s
O; function getBrowserWidth_Desk() {var t=_d.documentElement, n=Math.roun
//]]></script><script type="text/javascript" crossorigin="anonymous" s
sa_config={"f":"sb_form","i":"sb_form_q","c":"sw_as","zisParent":"sa_z
//]]></script><div id="aRmsDefer"><script type="text/rms">//<![CDATA[
var mcp_banner=function(n){function u(n){var t=sj_qx(),i,r;if(t.open("
//]]></script><script type="text/rms">//<![CDATA[
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//]]></script><script type="text/rms">//<![CDATA[
```

Fetching a web page with HttpClient

```
The java.net.http.HttpClient API provides an even
simpler way to connect to a web server (Java 11)
public static void readByHttpClient(String url) throws
    IOException, InterruptedException {
  HttpClient client = HttpClient.newHttpClient();
  HttpRequest request = HttpRequest.newBuilder()
       .uri(URI.create(url))
       .GET()
       build();
  HttpResponse<String> response = client.send(request,
       HttpResponse.BodyHandlers.ofString());
  System.out.println(response.body());
```

java.net package

Provides the classes for implementing networking applications.

The java.net package can be roughly divided in two sections:

- A Low Level API, which deals with the following abstractions:
 - Addresses, which are networking identifiers, like IP addresses.
 - Sockets, which are basic bidirectional data communication mechanisms.
 - · Interfaces, which describe network interfaces.
- A High Level API, which deals with the following abstractions:
 - URIs, which represent Universal Resource Identifiers.
 - URLs, which represent Universal Resource Locators.
 - Connections, which represents connections to the resource pointed to by URLs.

https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/net/package-summary.html#package_description

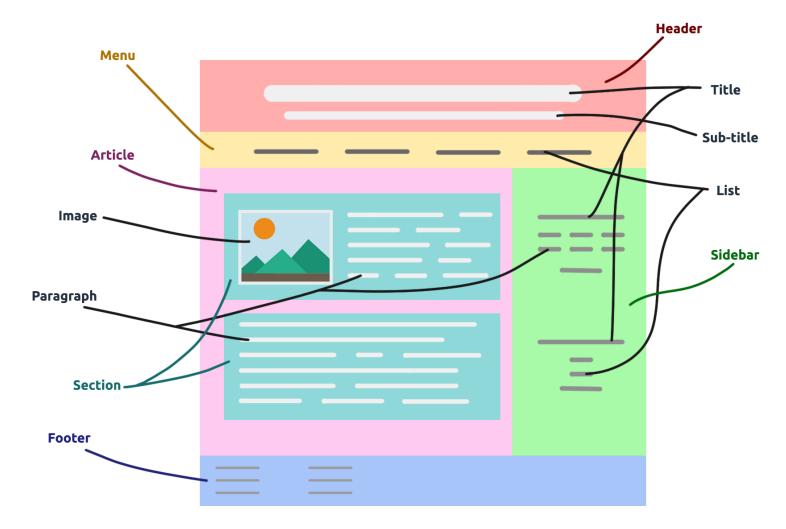


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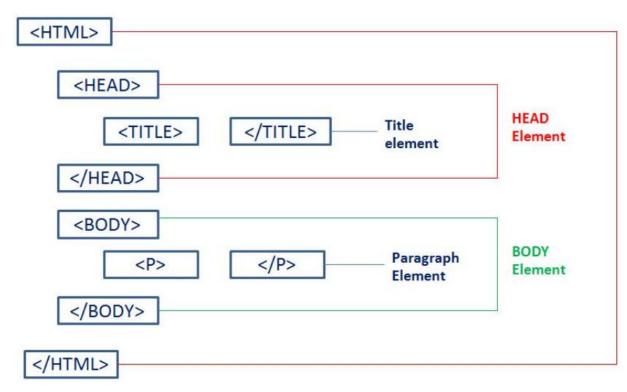
Web Scraping

- Web scraping refers to the process of extracting of data from websites.
- Typically using bots/spiders to automatically navigate through web pages and extract data



https://www.development-tutorial.com/basic-structure-html-page/

How are web pages created?



- HTML (Hypertext Markup Language): a hypertext markup language for creating web pages
- HTML uses tags for titles, headings, paragraphs, lists, tables, embedded images, etc., to describe the structure of a web page

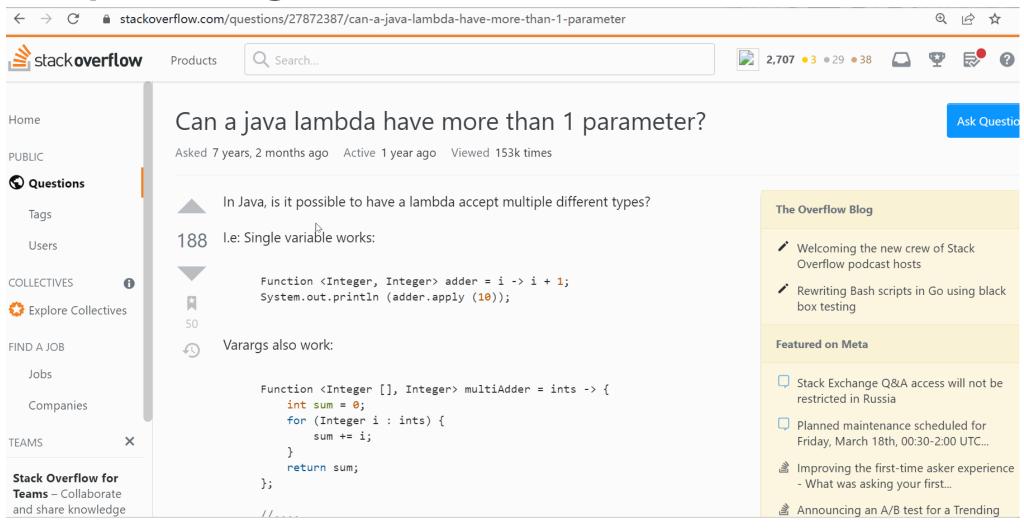
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Inspecting the HTML for an element



What if we want to find the html element for a specific part?

Inspecting the HTML for an element



Static vs Dynamic Web Pages

Static web pages

- Server-side rendered HTML: web page is delivered to the user exactly as stored in the server
- HTML is fixed

Dynamic web pages

- JavaScript rendered HTML: web page content is created dynamically using JS
- HTML is changing (e.g., scrolling down a web page to get the news feed)
- Needs other advanced scraping strategy/libraries

Java Libraries for Web Scraping

1

Jsoup: this is a simple opensource library that provides very convenient functionality for extracting and manipulating data by using DOM traversal or CSS selectors to find data. It is beginner friendly. 2

HTMLUnit: is a more powerful framework that can allow you to simulate browser events such as clicking and forms submission when scraping and it also has JavaScript support.

3

Jaunt: can be used to extract data from HTML pages or JSON data payloads by using a headless browser. It has recently been updated to include JavaScript support.



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What is REST API?

API

 An interface for multiple programs to communicate with each other (e.g., public class and methods in java.net)

RESTful API

- A REST APIs is an API conforms to the constraints of REST architectural style
- RESTful APIs are widely used in industry for communicating between clients and servers

REST

- REpresentational State Transfer
- REST is a software architectural style

What are the constraints of REST style?

REST Constraints

- Client-server: A client-server architecture made up of clients, servers, and resources (info like text, image, video)
- Resources could be accessed using URL
- Stateless: Resource requests should be made independently of one another
- Requests are made using HTTP protocol
 - GET: get resources
 - POST: create resources
 - PUT/PATCH: update resources
 - DELETE: delete resources



REST API IN ACTION

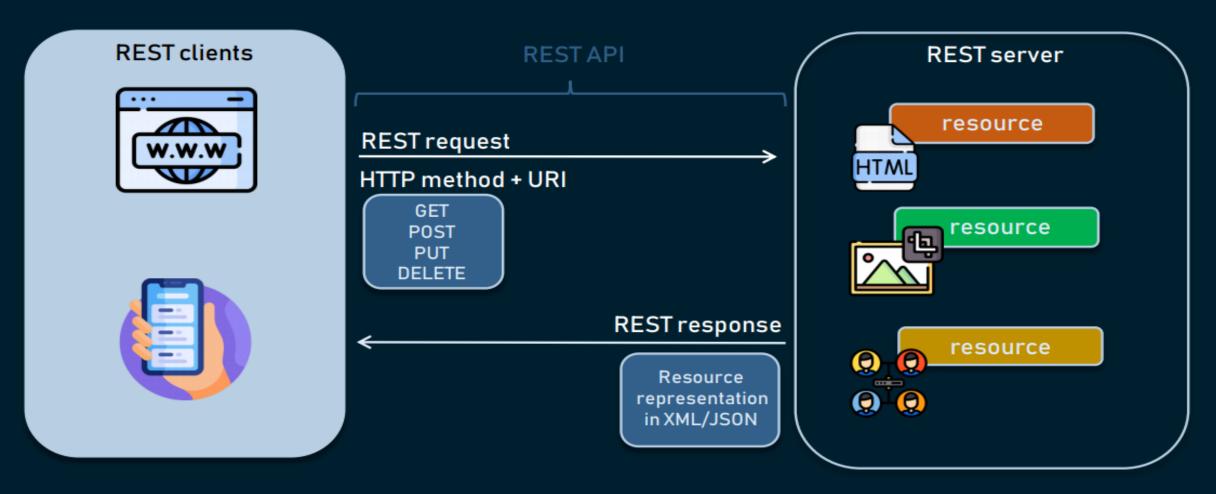


Image source: https://www.altexsoft.com/blog/rest-api-design/



RESTful API Request Design

Request = Verb + Object

GET
PUT
PATCH
POST
DELETE

- Typically use noun in plural form indicating the resources, e.g., questions
- Allow parameters for filtering, e.g., ?limit=10

RESTful API Request Design

https://example.com/api/v3/products https://example.com/api/v3/users —/products → -/users → **Product database** Client Server User database

Using nouns to differentiate different resources

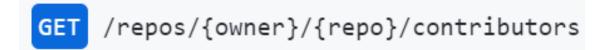
GitHub REST API

URL: https://api.github.com/

Documentation: https://docs.github.com/en/rest



Get a repository info by its owner and repo name https://docs.github.com/en/rest/repos/repos/get-a-repository



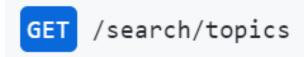
List repository contributors

POST /repos/{owner}/{repo}/issues

Create an issue (must have pull access to this repo)

PATCH /repos/{owner}/{repo}/releases/{release_id}

Update a release (must have push access to this repo)

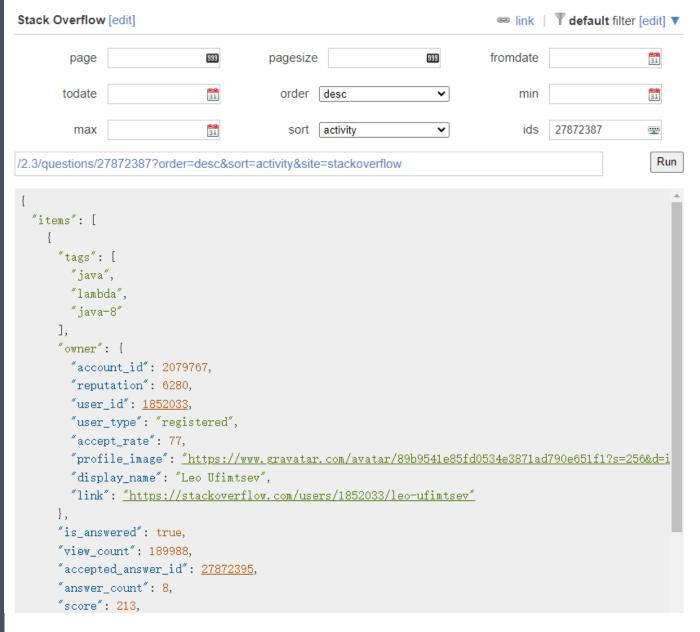


Search for topics (should specify the topic using parameters)

Stack Overflow REST API

https://api.stackexchange.com/docs

Try It



Stack Overflow REST API

REST Service URL Requested resource Parameter

Request Response

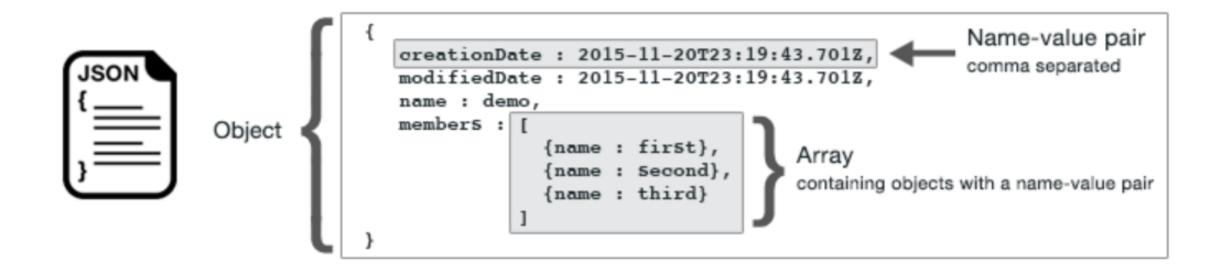
HTTP Status Code



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GET /repos/{owner}/{repo}
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Status: 200 OK

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"id": 1296269,
"node_id": "MDEwOlJlcG9zaXRvcnkxMjk2MjY5",
"name": "Hello-World",
                                                          JSON format
"full_name": "octocat/Hello-World",
"owner": {
 "login": "octocat",
 "id": 1,
 "node_id": "MDQ6VXNlcjE=",
 "avatar_url": "https://github.com/images/error/octocat_happy.gif",
 "gravatar_id": "",
 "url": "https://api.github.com/users/octocat",
 "html_url": "https://github.com/octocat",
 "followers_url": "https://api.github.com/users/octocat/followers",
 "following url": "https://api.github.com/users/octocat/following{/other user}",
 "gists_url": "https://api.github.com/users/octocat/gists{/gist_id}",
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- JavaScript Object Notation
- An open data interchange format that is both human and machine-readable
- Independent of any programming language

JSON

JSON Helper Tools

- Java Libraries for parsing and creating JSON string: JSON-simple, GSON, Jackson, etc.
- JSON viewers (help formatting the JSON string)

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Code • 💢 🗐
                                                               Sample
1 {"quota_max":300,"quota_remaining":295,"has_more":false,"items"
      :[{"owner":{"profile image":"https:\/\/www.gravatar.com
      /avatar\/89b9541e85fd0534e3871ad790e651f1?s=256&d=identicon&r
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      ,"is_answered":true,"view_count":153225,"last_edit_date"
      :1539272533}]}
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Type https://api.github.com/repos/spring-projects/spring-boot in your browser and see what happens

Next Lecture

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