

HTML5 WebSocketIntroduction

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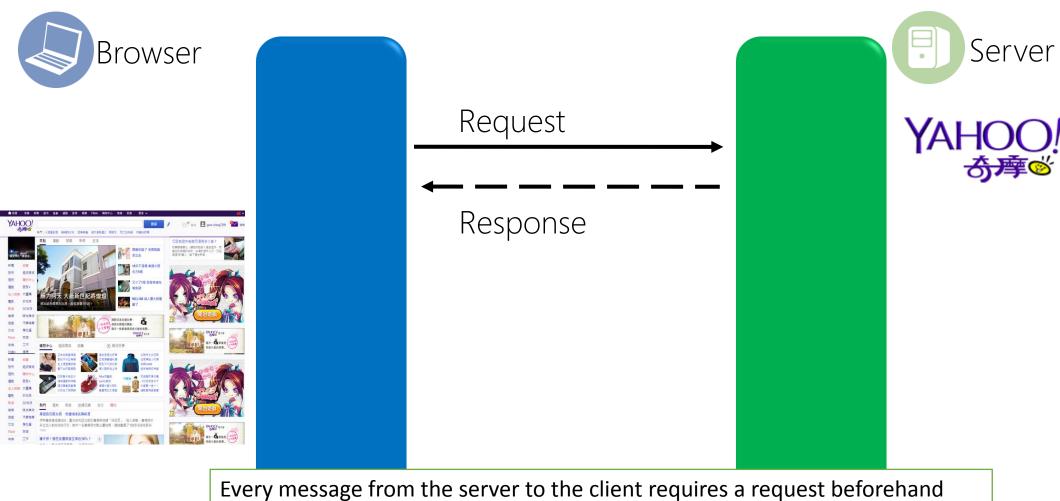
Agenda

- 1. Client/server communication
- 2. Intro to WebSocket
- 3. Demo

Client/Server Communication

Basic Web Applications

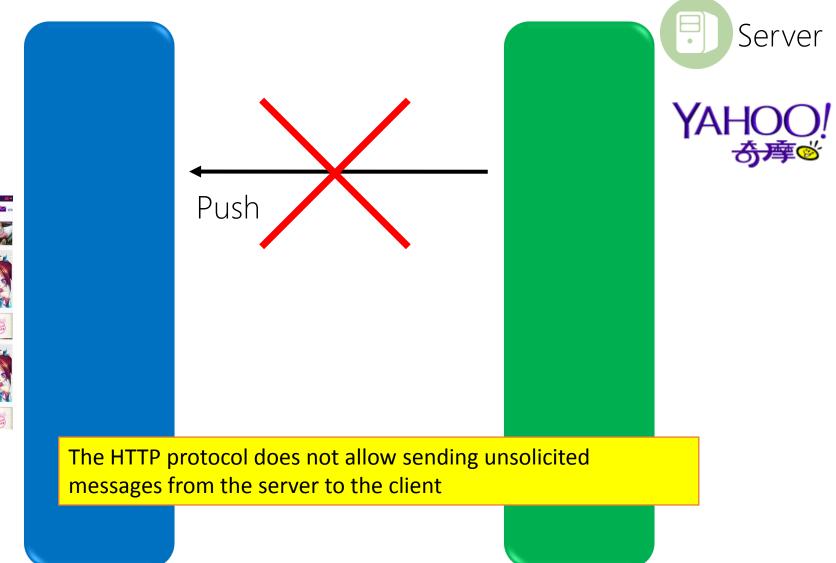
Basic Web Application



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Basic Web Application

Pros

- Simple
- Client gets what it wants(and when)
- Minimal interaction between the server and the client

Cons

- Server cannot initiate the communication, only the client
- new client request == new page load

How do we add more interaction between the client and the server?

The Evolution of the Push

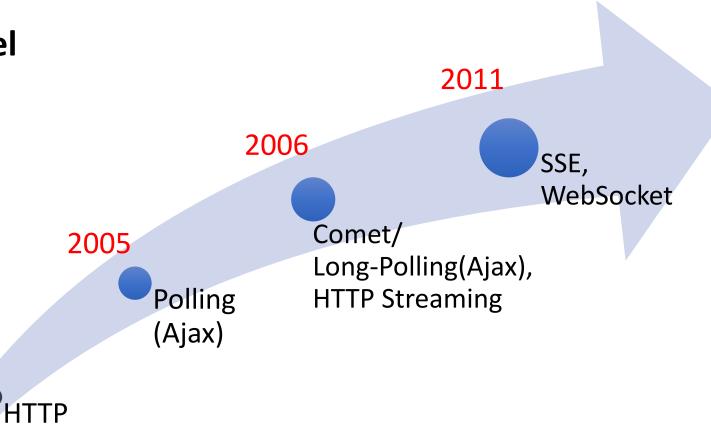
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Variations on the basic model

- Polling (AJAX)
- Long-Polling (AJAX)

HTML5 new models

- SSE (Server-Sent Events)
- WebSocket



WEB APPLICATION





HTML

圖按影表區場

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JavaScript

互動 元素更新 資料驗證 資料運算 特效

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CSS

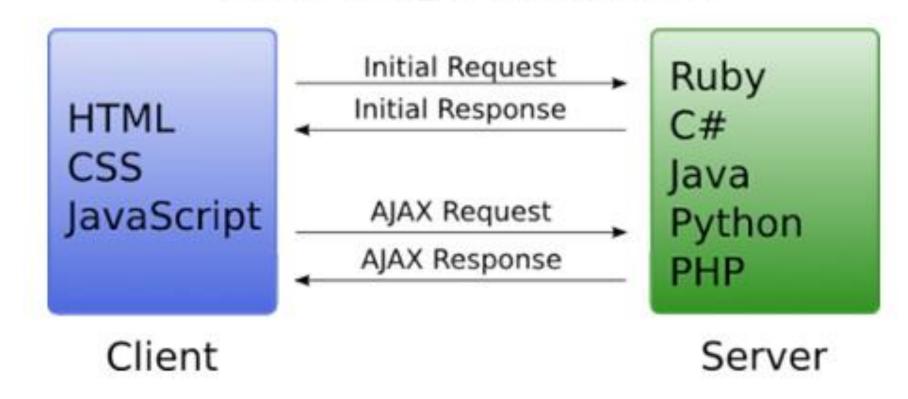
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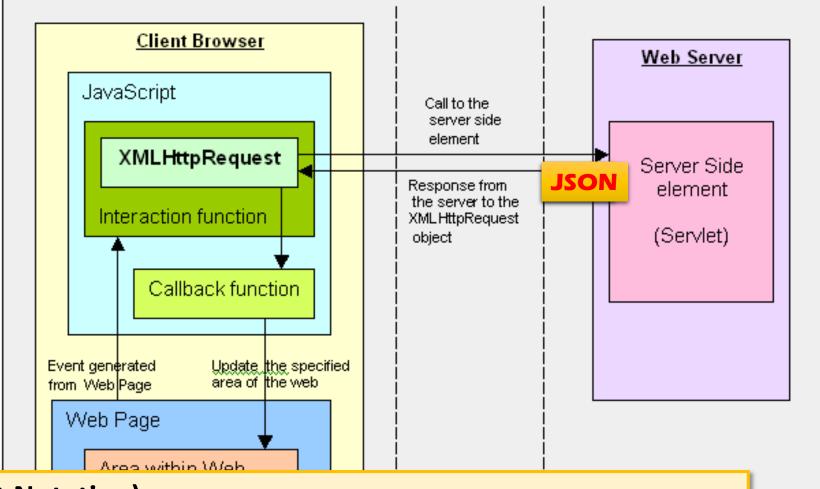


AJAX = Asynchronous JavaScript and XML

Web Page Request



XmlHttpRequest()



JSON (JavaScript Object Notation)

- 1. Smaller in size than XML
- 2. Explicit data types (String, Number, Boolean, Array, Object, null) for JavaScript

AJAX interaction with XMLHttpRequest object

XML vs. JSON

```
XML
                                    Attribute
<student name="David" age="12">
  <address>
                                      Sub Element
    <country>Taiwan</country>
    <city>Taipei</city>
    <district>...</district>
  </address>
</student>
            All are string type
```

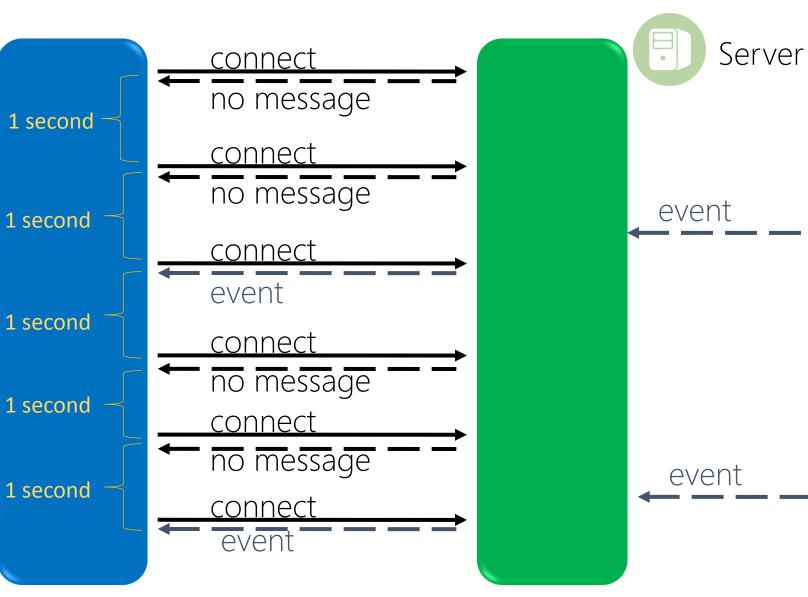
JSON Number "name": "David" "age" : 12, < Object "address": "country": "Taiwan", "city": "Taipei", "district" : "..",

Polling (by Ajax)

Polling







Polling

Pros

- Simple
- New client request != new page load (Ajax)

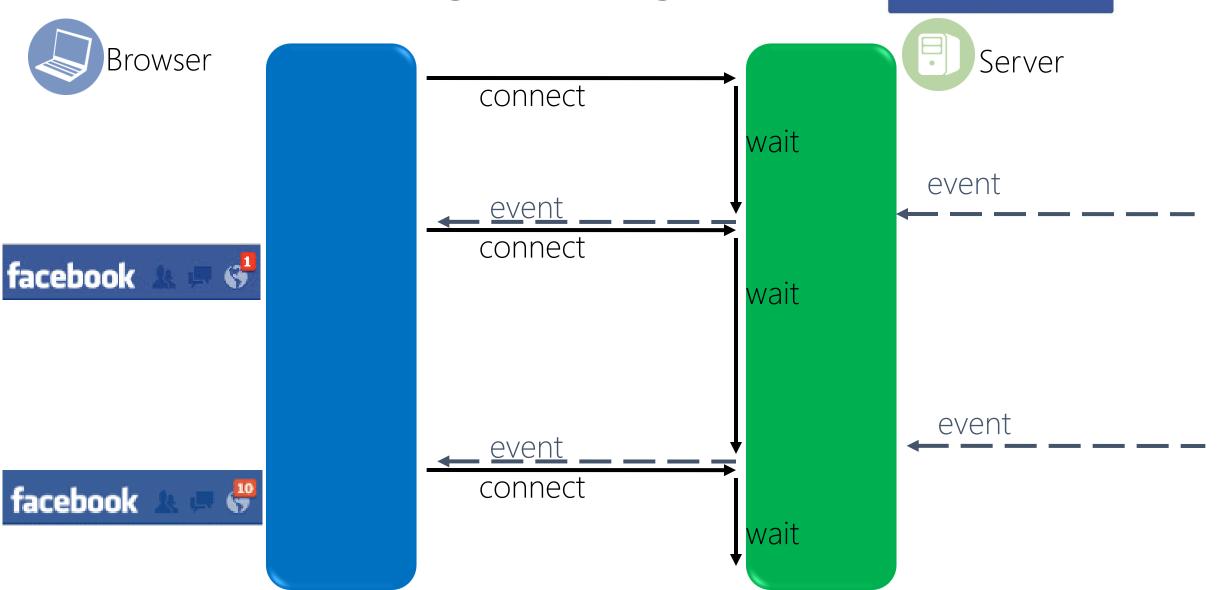
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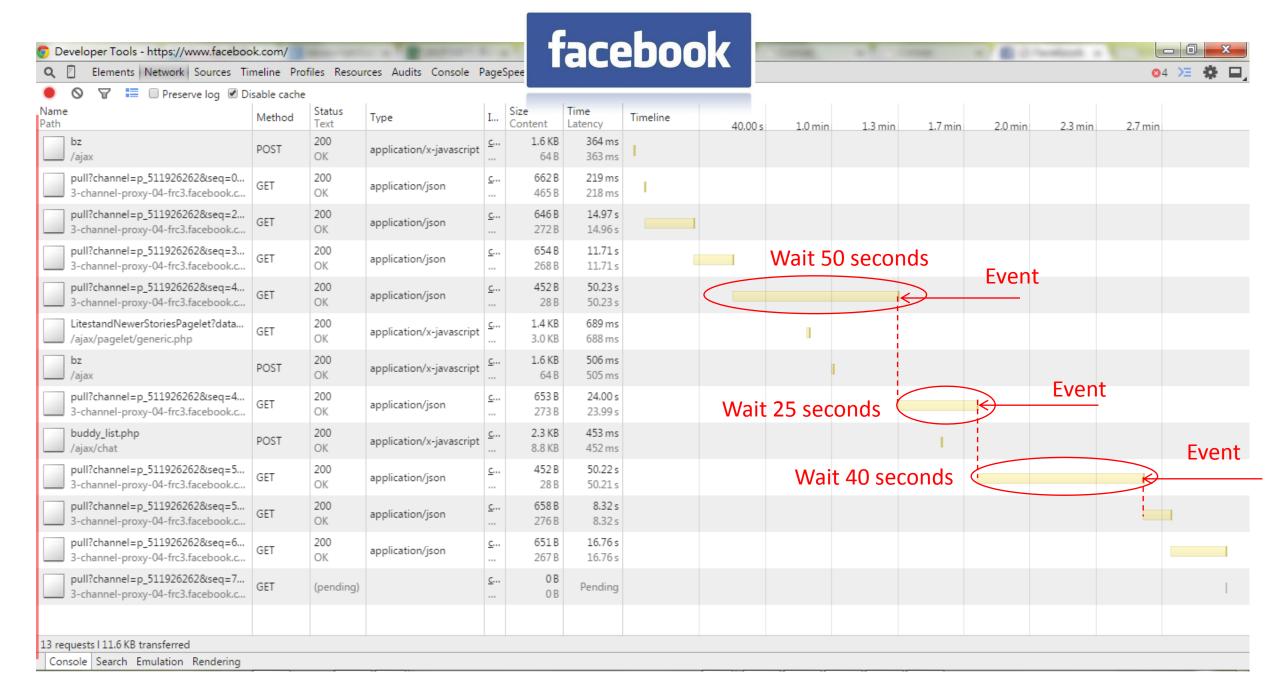
- Event latency depends on polling period (Some web apps need rapid/frequently updates)
- No real-time user experience
- Can increase polling rate, but wastes bandwidth, most requests return no message
- Frequent polling determine high server loads

Comet/Long Polling (by Ajax)

Comet/Long polling







Comet/Long polling

How

- Client does request; service maintains connection
- Fakes notifications by sending "event"/response when ready (Emulating a Push mechanism)
- Always a pending request

Pros

Emulating a more real-time communication model

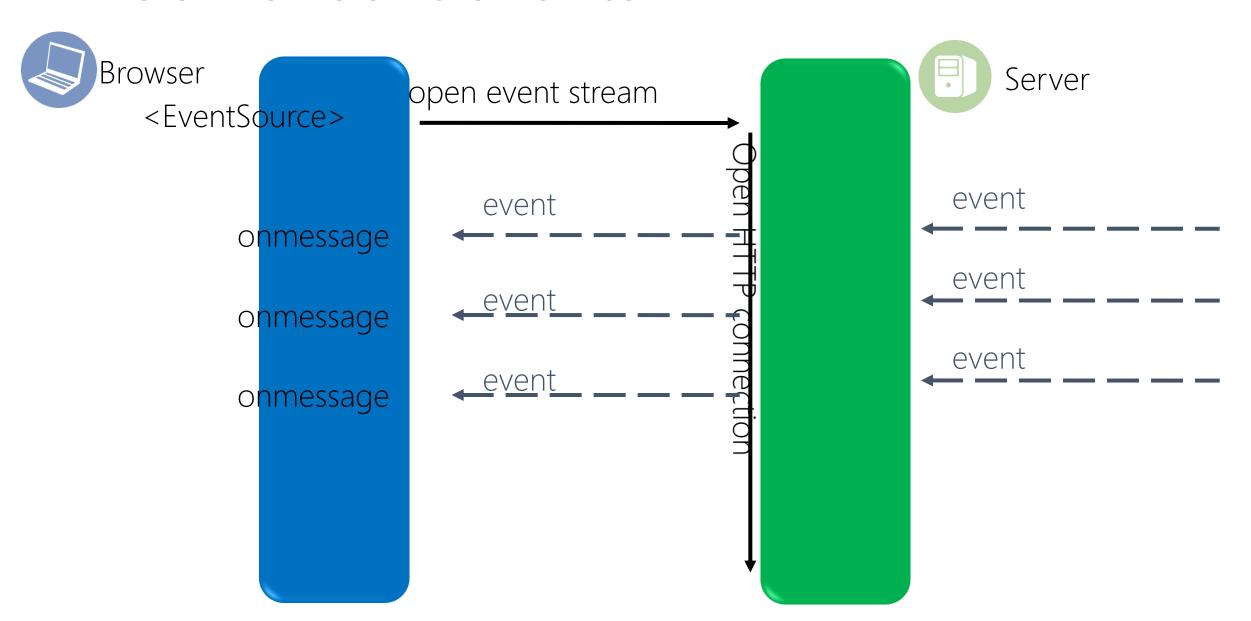
Cons

HTTP overhead still a problem (not suited for low latency apps)

HTML

Server-Sent Events

Server-sent events



Server-sent events

How

- Simulates a server push channel over HTTP
- Unidirectional, from server to browser
- Standardizes some form of Comet/http streaming
- New html tag: <EventSource>
- New mime type: text/event-stream

Refs

- http://www.w3.org/TR/2009/WD-eventsource-20091029/
- http://www.html5rocks.com/en/tutorials/eventsource/basics/

Server-sent events (SSE)

Pros

- A real-time communication model from server to client
- Auto reconnect after disconnected.

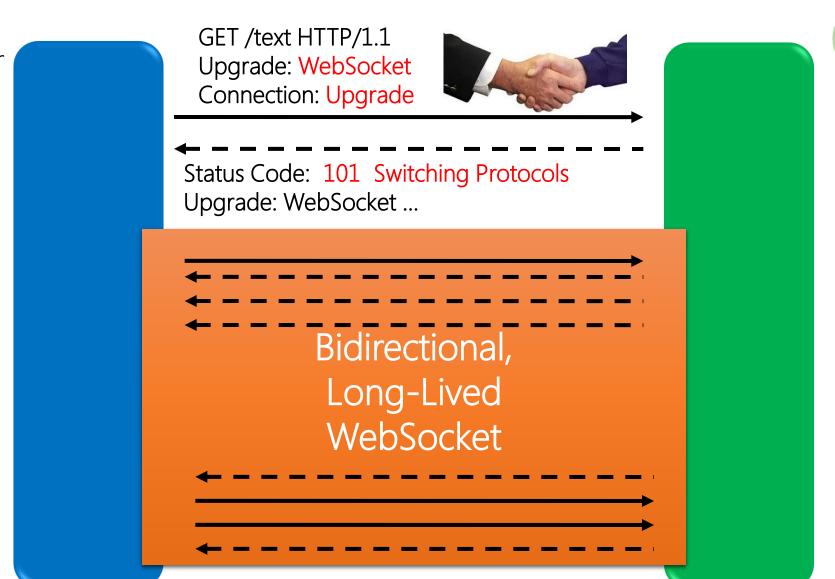
Cons

- Not bidirectional. Communication is only one way (Some web apps need two-way communication)
- Not more real-time
- Only text data



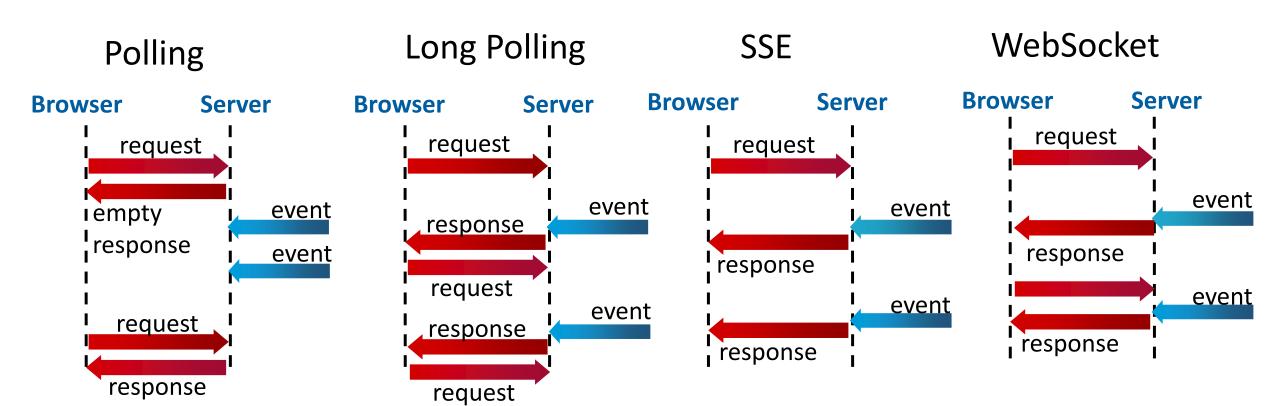
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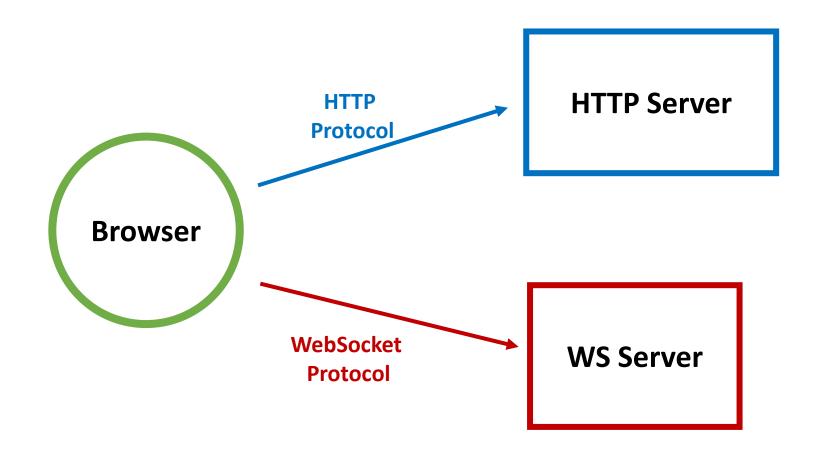
Comparison



HTML5 WebSocket

- Server can send info to client anytime: update latency reduced
 - → Real-time full-duplex communication over TCP
- Single TCP socket
- Not HTTP, but uses HTTP to bootstrap
- Messages are either UTF-8 text or binary data
- Shares port with existing HTTP (80, 443)





The TCP/IP Stack

User/Application Chrome/Firefox WebSocket **Application Layer** OSI 5~7 **Protocol Transport Layer** TCP / UDP OSI 4 **Network Layer** OSI 3 IP **Link Layer** Driver OSI 2

Ethernet/Wireless

OSI 1

Hardware Layer

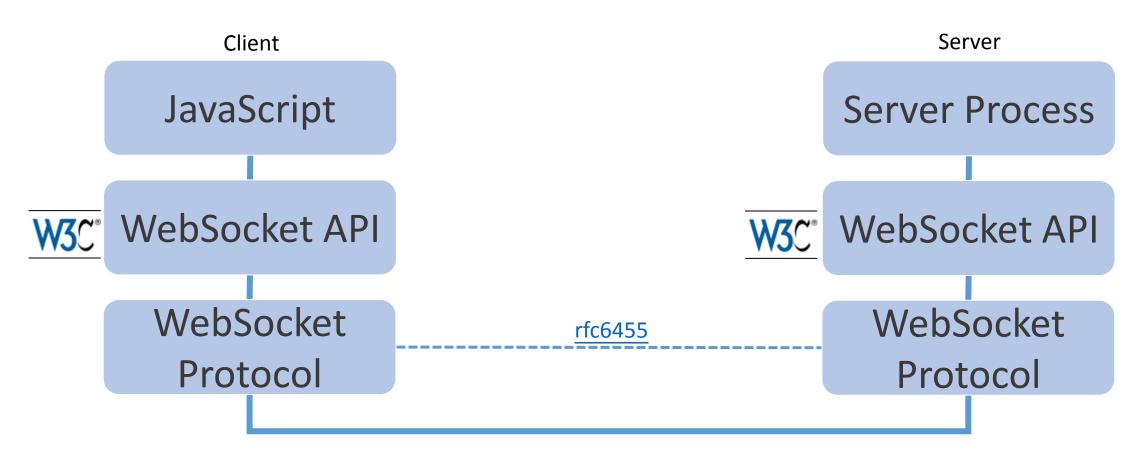
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Pros

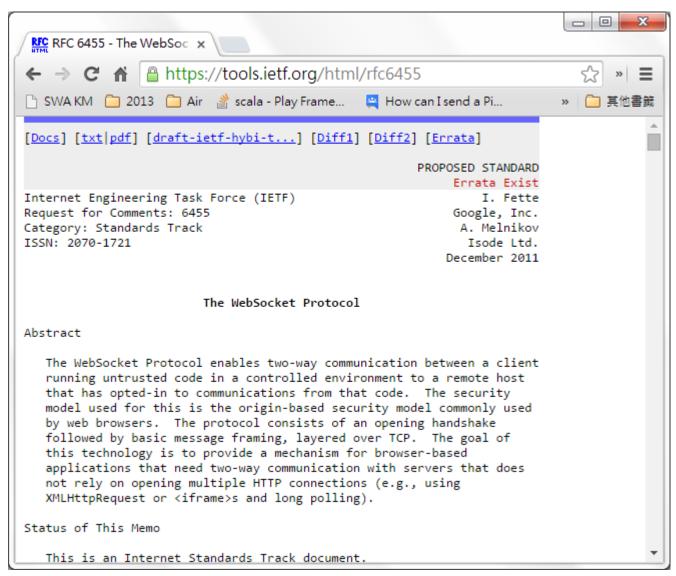
- A real-time communication model
- Bidirectional
- Reduction in unnecessary network traffic and latency (compared to the polling and long-polling)
- Tiny Header: Minimize is 2 bytes.
 Compares to HTTP Header (from ~200 bytes to over 2KB.)

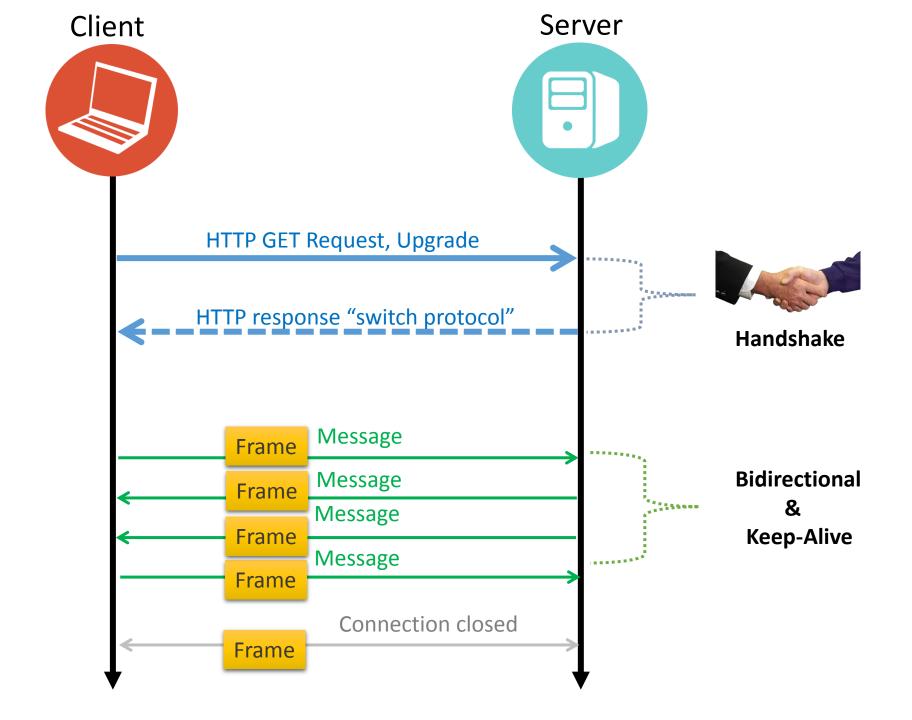
WebSocket Specifications

- WebSocket protocol https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6455
- WebSocket API http://www.w3.org/TR/2011/WD-websockets-20110419/

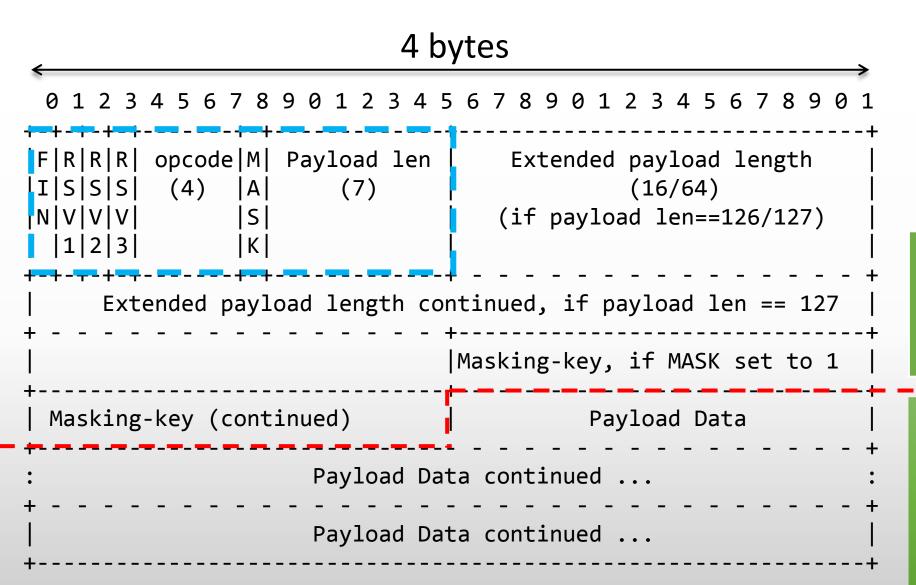


The WebSocket Protocol





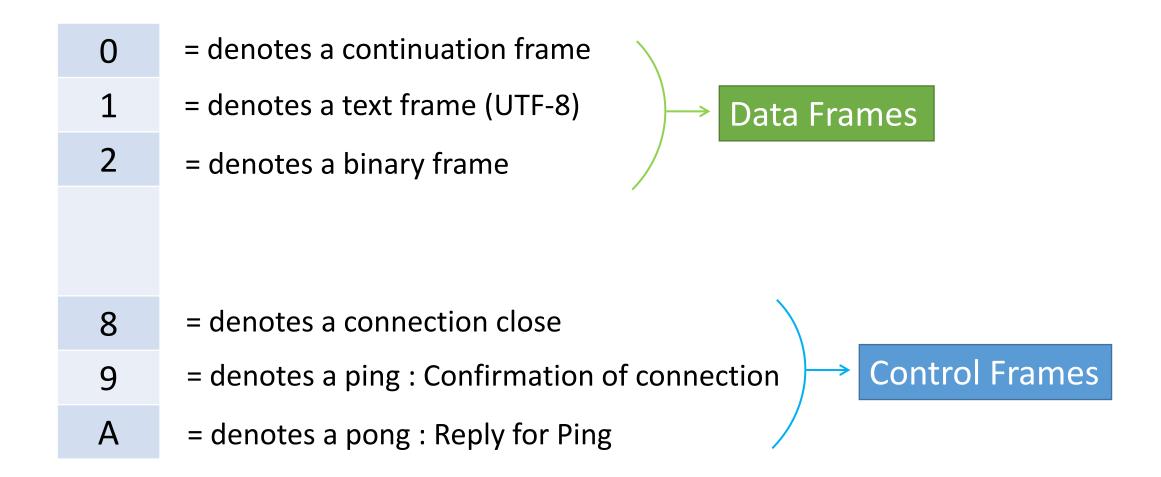
What's in a Frame?



Header Size:
Min → 2 bytes
Max → 14 bytes

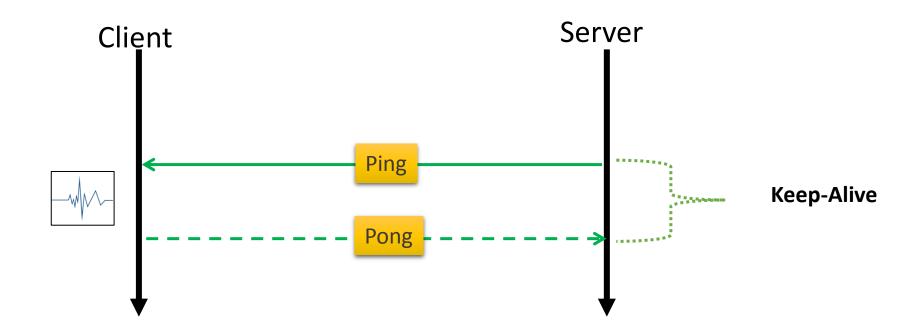
The frame length can be 7, 16, or 64 bits long ~16EiB

Opcode: 4 bits



Ping/Pong Frames

- A pong frame sent in response to a Ping frame. It must be implemented on client, so server can cleanup dead connections.
- Server may send a ping frame, on the other hand, server can push messages detect client is alive or not.



Data Frame

Unfragmented:



opcode
$$\neq 0$$

$$FIN = 1$$

Fragmented:

opcode $\neq 0$ opcode = 0 FIN = 0 FIN = 0

1st

3rd

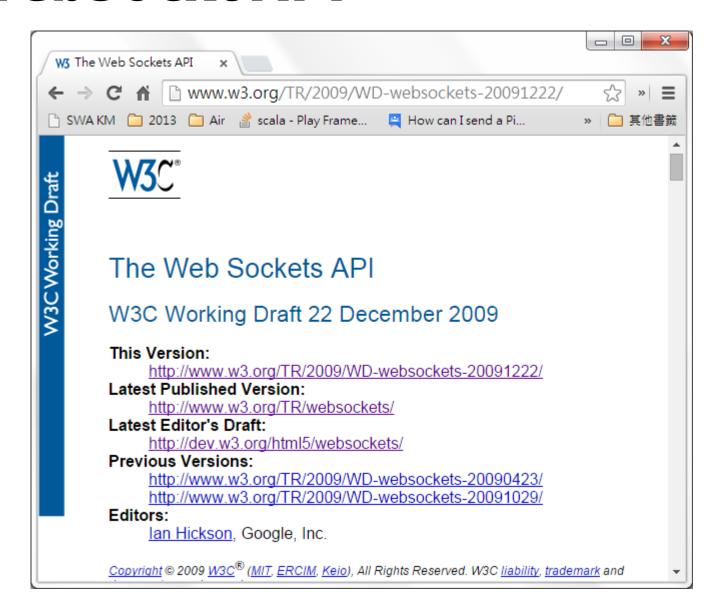
2nd

opcode = 0FIN = 0 Last

opcode = 0

FIN = 1

W3C WebSockt API



WebSocket API

CONNECTION

- open
- close

SEND DATA

send(message)

EVENT HANDLERS

- onOpen
- onClosed
- onMessage(message)
- onError(error)

JavaScript

Client

WebSocket Server

JavaScript

ws = new WebSocket("ws://127.0.0.1/websocketdemo")

1.A websocket connection is initiated via a standard HTTP GET request, where the client asks for an 'Upgrade'

Request Method: GET http://127.0.0.1/websocketdemo HTTP/1.1

HOST:127.0.0.1

Upgrade: websocket Connection: Upgrade

Sec-WebSocket-Key: An Av 0 mlrk NYPv 0 mRSA+17Q==



Status Code: • 101 Switching Protocols

Connection: Upgrade

Sec-WebSocket-Accept:mGpwMv9XAl8OlFFsQPoyrUm3hnA=

Upgrade: websocket

2.The response will be a 101 status, 'Switching protocol'

JavaScript Client Example

```
function connect() {
85
         ws = new WebSocket("ws://127.0.0.1:7777/demo/PC");
86
87
         ws.onopen = function(evt) {
             writeStatus("connected");
88
89
90
91
         ws.onclose = function(evt) {
92
             writeStatus("disconnected");
93
94
95
         ws.onmessage = function(evt) {
              console.log(evt.data);
96
             writeStatus("rcv:" + evt.data);
97
98
              show(evt.data);
99
100
101
         ws.onerror = function(evt) {
102
             writeStatus("error: " + evt.data);
103
104
105
106
     function disconnect() {
107
         ws.close();
108
109
     function sendMessage() {
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         ws.send(document.getElementById('messagefield').value);
         console.log(document.getElementById('messagefield').value);
111
112
```

WebSocket need maintenance and care:

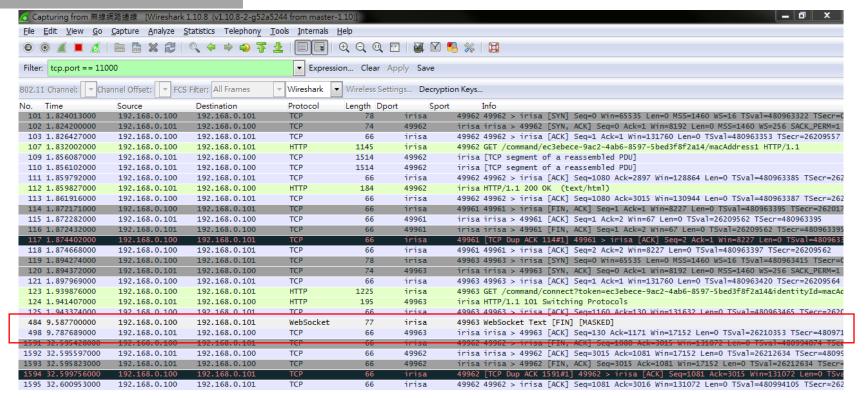
- Re-open conn if network hiccup or timeout
- Back off if server is down, don't keep trying
- Keep alive if your connection times out
- Buffer and re-send msgs in the above cases

The reliability of WebSocket

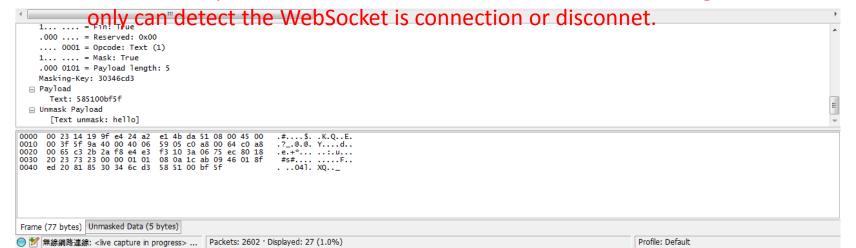
No connection reliability

- No reconnect handling
- No guaranteed message delivery (same as Server-Sent Event)
- Reliability has to be in app (same as "keep alive message Ping/Pong" Server job)

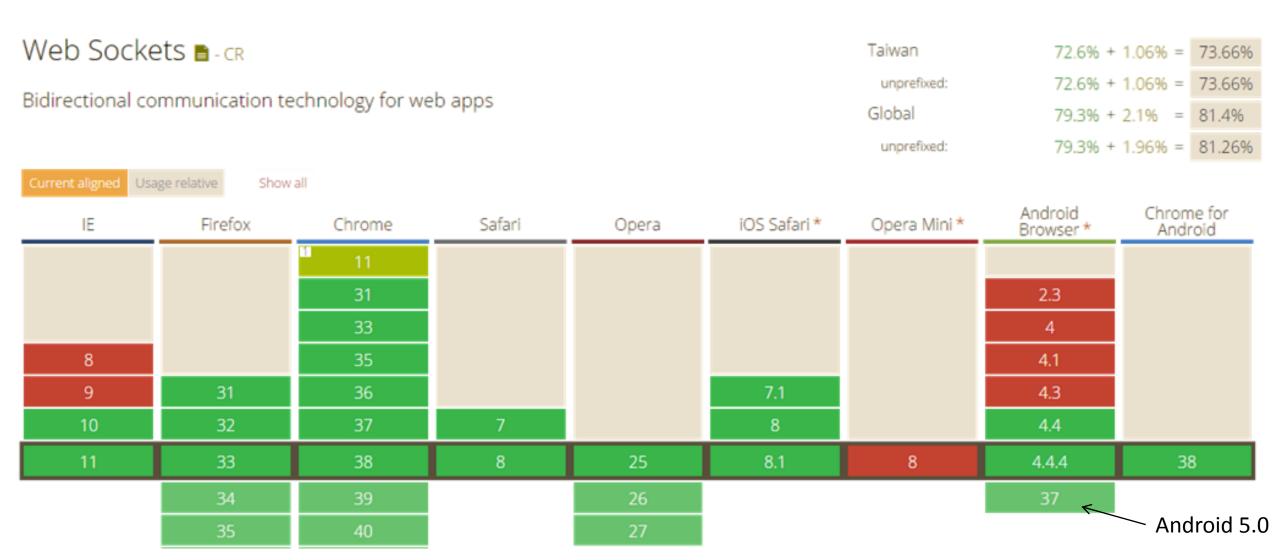
Reliability of Websocket



TCP Protocol provides the reliable communication, but can not grantee on the WebSocket layer,



WebSocket Browser support list



SSE Support list



WebSocket Fallbacks Support Solutions

SockJS by Marek Majkowski
socket.io by Guillermo Rauch
Abstracts API and adds features



Commercial product. pure polyfill.

web-socket-js

Supports CORS fallback

atmosphere jQuery plugin (Async-IO)

Fallback to comet long-polling

Graceful WebSocket jQuery plugin by David Lindkvist

Fallback to comet long-polling

Portal by Donghwan Kim

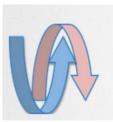
Server agnostic and supports Sharing connection, WebSocket, Server-Sent Events, Streaming and Long polling.

DataChannel polyfill by Jesús Leganés Combarro "Piranna"

Add support for WebRTC DataChannels using a

WebSockets proxy server as backend





Welcome to Async-IO.org!

Real Time Client Server Framework for the JVM, supporting WebSockets and Cross-Browser Fallbacks Support

Android Client Solutions

- 1. Java-WebSocket: https://github.com/TooTallNate/Java-WebSocket
- 2. AndroidAsync: https://github.com/koush/AndroidAsync
- 3. codebutler/android-websockets: https://github.com/codebutler/android-websockets
- 4. moko365/android-browser-websocket: https://github.com/moko365/android-browser-websocket (Enable WebView to support WebSocket client connection.)
- 5. Autobahn Android : http://autobahn.ws/
- 6. jWebSocket : http://jwebsocket.org/documentation/installation-guide/android-client

Android Client Example

```
WebSocketClient client = new WebSocketClient(URI.create("ws://172.17.3.8:7777/demo/android"),
        new WebSocketClient.Handler() {
        @Override
        public void onConnect() {
            Log.d(TAG, "Connected!");
        @Override
        public void onMessage(String message) {
10
            Log.d(TAG, String.format("Got string message! %s", message));
11
        @Override
        public void onMessage(byte[] data) {
15
            Log.d(TAG, String.format("Got binary message! %s", toHexString(data));
16
18
        @Override
        public void onDisconnect(int code, String reason) {
20
            Log.d(TAG, String.format("Disconnected! Code: %d Reason: %s", code, reason));
21
22
23
        @Override
24
        public void onError(Exception error) {
25
            Log.e(TAG, "Error!", error);
26
     }, extraHeaders);
28
    client.connect();
    // Later...
    client.send("hello!");
    client.send(new byte[] { 0xDE, 0xAD, 0xBE, 0xEF });
    client.disconnect();
```

Where Can You Use Full-Duplex WebSocket?

Interactive

- Game apps
- Instant Messaging
- Collaborative editing

Real-Time Control

- Monitoring apps
- Controlling apps

Dynamic Data Update

- Social networking apps (Activity feeds)
- Financial apps

Demos

Interactive

- Game apps http://browserquest.mozilla.org/
- Instant Messaging http://shunjikonishi.github.io/room-sandbox/sample/chat.html
- Collaborative editing http://shunjikonishi.github.io/room-sandbox/sample/canvas.html

Real-Time Control

- Monitoring apps http://live.embeda.com.tw:8080/probe.html
- Controlling apps http://172.17.3.7:7777/demo/PC

Dynamic Data Update

- Social networking apps (Activity feeds)
- Financial apps http://demo.kaazing.com/livefeed/

Comparison of WebSocket implementations

[hide] ◆	Client (library) ◆	Server (library) ◆	Version compared ◆	Protocol (spec) version support	Protocol test \$ report	License ¢	Implementation language/environment +	API language/environment *	Self- Hosted ♦ Server	Text message ♦ support	Binary message support	Message- based ♦	Frame- based \$	Streaming API \$ input/output	Flow- control \$	Automatic pongs for \$ pings	Automatic heartbeat ♦ pings	Manual pings/pongs ◆	Frame size limit \$
Google Chrome 15 ^[1]	Yes	No	15.0.874.8 12 Sep 2011	8 (10)		complex	C++ / WebKit	JavaScript / HTML5	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No/No	No	Yes	No	No	≥ 16 MB (memory- limited?)
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QtWebSockets ^[4]	Yes	Yes	1.0 12 Nov 2013	RFC 6455 €		LGPL	C++ / Qt	Qt	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	memory- limited, configurable
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Push Technology Diffusion ^[8]	Yes	Yes	4.6.1	RFC 6455 &		Commercial	Java	JavaScript / Flash/Flex / Silverlight / Objective-C & IOS / Java / Java & Android / .NET / Java J2ME & BlackBerry / C/C++ / Node.js	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes ^[9]	Yes ^[9]	No	memory- limited, configurable
Kaazing WebSocket Gateway ^[10]	Yes	Yes	3.5	RFC 6455 ₺		Commercial	Java	JavaScript / Flash/Flex / Silverlight / Objective-C & iOS / Java / Java & Android / .NET		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	memory- limited, configurable
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A few useful links

- https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6455 (official doc)
- http://www.html5rocks.com/en/tutorials/websockets/basics/ (basic tutorial)
- http://www.websocket.org (the echo server folks)
- http://www.slideshare.net/peterlubbers/websocketsthe-new-network-stack-by-peter-lubbers-and-frank-greco
- You can test websocket that can work on your browser via websocketstest.com
- http://codepen.io/matt-west/pen/tHlBb
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