# Distributed Systems

**Interprocess Communication** 

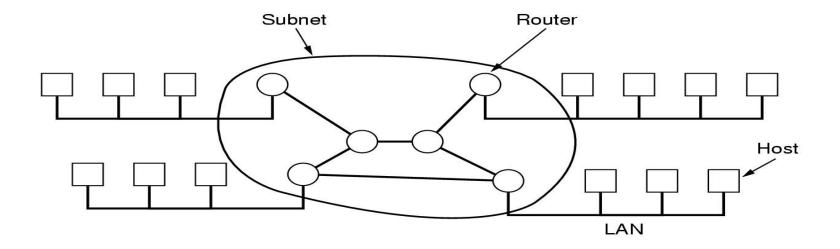


## Network Architecture

- Network Architecture: framework for designing and implementing Networks
- Components:
  - Software
    - Protocols
    - Services
  - Hardware
    - Transmission technology, media and devices
    - Scale: LANs, MANs, and WANs
    - Topology

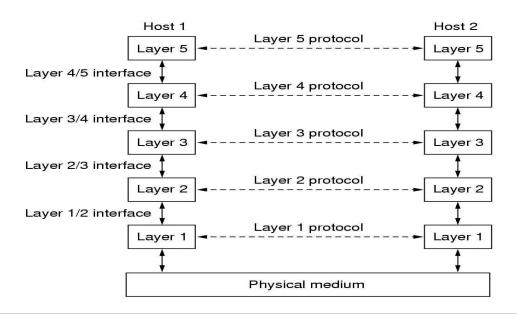


# Subnet



## Layered Architecture

- The purpose of each layer is to offer a communication services to higher level layers
- Each layer has two interfaces
  - peer-to-peer interface
    - defines the form and types of messages exchanged between peers (indirect communication)
  - service interface
    - defines the primitives (operations) that a layer provides to the layer above it
- Layering is non-linear





### **Protocols**

- The functionality encapsulated within each layer is called *Protocol*
- The Protocol refers to both
  - the abstract peer-to-peer & service interfaces and
  - the objects that implement those interfaces
- Protocol vs. Service
  - Service is the set of primitives provided to the higher layer
  - Protocol defines the implementation of these primitives
- Protocol stack

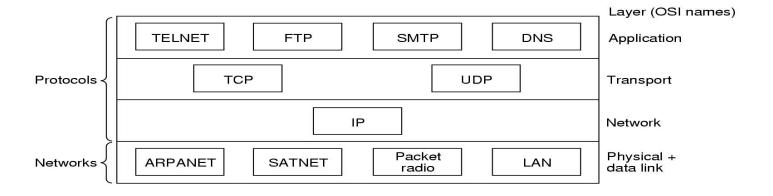


## ISO OSI Architecture

- International Standards Organisation (ISO)
- *Physical*: transmission of raw bits onto the communications medium
- Data link: reliable transmission of frames, flow control, arbitration
- *Network*: packet switching, routing congestion control
- *Transport*: process-to-process channel, node-to-node connection, provides user services, flow control, multiplexing
- Session
- Presentation
- Application



# Internet Architecture (TCP/IP)

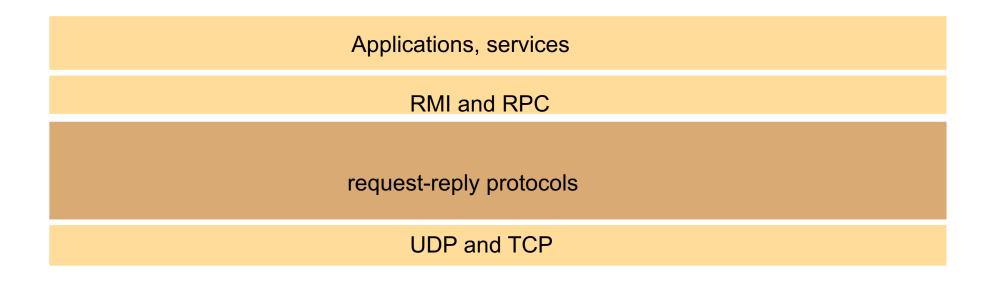


- Host-to-Network Layer (OSI Physical and Data link layers)
- Internet Layer (OSI Network layer Internet Protocol/IP)
- Transport Layer
  - Transmission Control Protocol TCP
  - User Datagram Protocol UDP)
- Application Layer



# Accessing Transport Layer

 How application programs use protocol software (invoke the services) of transport layer to communicate across networks



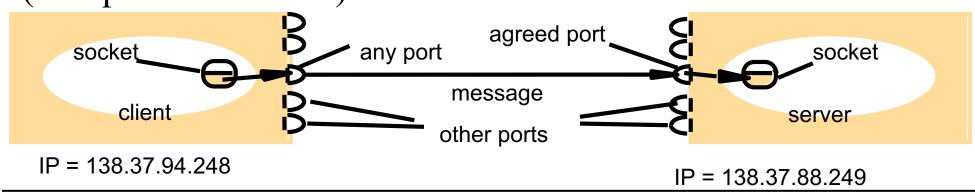
## Inter-process Communication

- Message passing model: send receive
- Synchronous communications : blocking
- Asynchronous communications
  - Blocking (receive) vs non blocking (send, receive)
- Reliability
  - Validity: messages are guaranteed to be delivered despite of packets being lost
  - Integrity: messages must arrive uncorrupted and without duplication
- Ordering: message send and delivery



# Sockets and ports

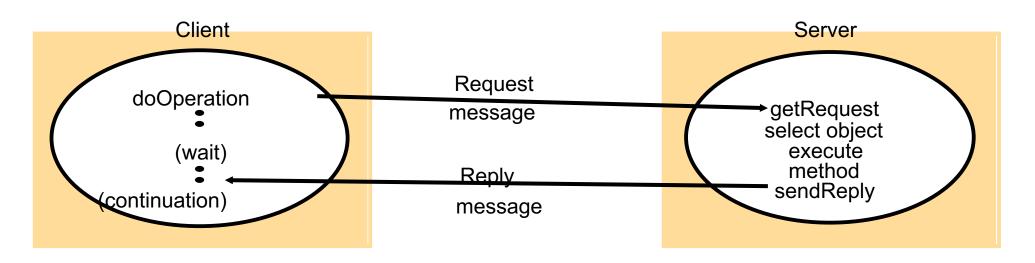
- Sockets provide an abstract endpoint for inter-process communication (UDP, TCP)
- Destination:
  - internet address, port, process id
- Port: message destination within a computer (integer) –Internet addresses: names rather than numbers  $(2^{16})$
- A socket must be bound to a local port and an internet address
- A process may use multiple ports but cannot share ports (exception: multicast)





# The Request-Reply Protocol

• Processes communicate using a protocol



public byte[] doOperation (RemoteObjectRef o, int methodId, byte[] arguments)

sends a request message to the remote object and returns the reply.

The arguments specify the remote object, the method to be invoked and the arguments of that method.

public byte[] getRequest();

acquires a client request via the server port.

public void sendReply (byte[] reply, InetAddress clientHost, int clientPort);

sends the reply message reply to the client at its Internet address and port.



### Issues

- Message identifiers (sequence+sender id)
- Failure Model
- Timeouts
- Duplicate request messages
- Lost reply messages
- History for retransmissions



## Java API for Internet addresses

- Class *InetAddress* 
  - uses DNS (Domain Name System)

```
InetAddress aComputer =
  InetAddress.getByName("gromit.cs.bham.ac.uk");
```

- throws *UnknownHostException*
- encapsulates detail of IP address (4 bytes for IPv4 and 16 bytes for IPv6)

## **UDP Sockets**

- Receive method returns the IP address+port of sender so that a reply can be sent
- Message size: receiving process specifies a byte-array in which to receive the message (IP: 2<sup>16</sup> bytes, usually 8kB)
- Non-blocking send & blocking receive (timeouts and threads for deadlocks)
- Receive from any



## UDP Sockets – Java API

#### DatagramPacket class provides

- a constructor that makes an instance of a message: [message byte array, length,IP address,post no]
- A constructor for use when receiving a message
- Methods: getData, getPort, getAddress

#### • DatagramSocket class provides

- A constructor that takes a port as an argument for use by processes that need to use a port
- A no-argument constructor that allows the system to choose a free local port
- SocketException if problem with port
- Methods:
  - send: argument an instance of DatagramPacket
  - Receive: argument an empty DatagramPacket
  - setSoTimeout: InterruptedIOExpception when expire
  - *connect:* connect a socket to a particular remote port and IP address, the socket is abe to send to and receive from that address



# Java API for Datagrams

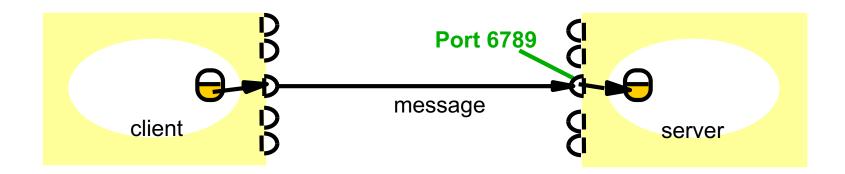
- Simple send/receive, with messages possibly lost/out of order
- Class DatagramPacket

message (=array of bytes)	message length	Internet addr	port no	
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- packets may be transmitted between sockets
- packets truncated if too long
- provides getData, getPort, getAddress

## example...

- UDP Client
  - sends a message and gets a reply
- UDP Server
  - repeatedly receives a request and sends it back to the client



# UDP client sends a message to the server and gets a reply

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class UDPClient{
  public static void main(String args[]){
           // args give message contents and server hostname
           DatagramSocket aSocket = null;
             try {
                       aSocket = new DatagramSocket();
                       byte [] m = args[0].getBytes();
                       InetAddress aHost = InetAddress.getByName(args[1]);
                       int\ serverPort = 6789;
                       DatagramPacket \ request = new \ DatagramPacket(m, \ args[0].length(), \ aHost, \ serverPort);
                       aSocket.send(request);
                       byte[] buffer = new byte[1000];
                       DatagramPacket reply = new DatagramPacket(buffer, buffer.length);
                       aSocket.receive(reply);
                       System.out.println("Reply: " + new String(reply.getData()));
             }catch (SocketException e){System.out.println("Socket: " + e.getMessage());
             }catch (IOException e){System.out.println("IO: " + e.getMessage());}
            }finally {if(aSocket != null) aSocket.close();}
```



# UDP server repeatedly receives a request and sends it back to the client

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class UDPServer{
           public static void main(String args[]){
           DatagramSocket aSocket = null;
              try{
                       aSocket = new DatagramSocket(6789);
                       byte[] buffer = new byte[1000];
                       while(true){
                         DatagramPacket request = new DatagramPacket(buffer, buffer.length);
                         aSocket.receive(request);
                         DatagramPacket reply = new DatagramPacket(request.getData(),
                                   request.getLength(), request.getAddress(), request.getPort());
                         aSocket.send(reply);
              }catch (SocketException e){System.out.println("Socket: " + e.getMessage());
             }catch (IOException e) {System.out.println("IO: " + e.getMessage());}
           }finally {if(aSocket != null) aSocket.close();}
```

## **TCP Sockets**

- API provides an abstraction of a stream of bytes to which data may be written and from which data may be read. The abstraction hides the following:
  - Message sizes. The application can choose how much data data it writes to a stream.
     TCP may fragment it to smaller packets
  - Lost messages
  - Flow control
  - Message duplication and ordering
  - Message destinations: once a connection is established, processes simply read from and write to a stream (no need for IP addresses and ports)
- Client-server model during connection:
  - client creates a stream socket bound to a port and asks for a connection to a server port
  - server creates a listening socket bound a a port and waits to accept connect requests
- During operation each socket is both for input and output
- Close a socket when no more data to write



## TCP Sockets – Java API

- ServerSocket class: create a socket at a server port for listening for connect requests
  - Method accept: wait until there is a connect request in the queue, then create an instance of Socket
- *Socket* class: client uses a constructor which <u>creates</u> a socket (specifying the DNS hostname and port of a server) and <u>connects</u> it to the specified remote server (*UknownHostException*, *IOException*)
  - Methods: getInputStream and getOutputStream
    - Return types are abstract classes that define methods for reading (InputStream) and writing (OutputStream) bytes
    - Return values can be used as the arguments of constructors for suitable input and output streams.



# TCP client makes connection to server, sends request and receives reply

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class TCPClient {
            public static void main (String args[]) {
            // arguments supply message and hostname of destination
            Socket s = null;
               try{
                         int serverPort = 7896;
                         s = new Socket(args[1], serverPort);
                         DataInputStream in = new DataInputStream( s.getInputStream());
                         DataOutputStream out =
                                     new DataOutputStream( s.getOutputStream());
                         out.writeUTF(args[0]);
                                                              // UTF is a string encoding see Sn 4.3
                         String\ data = in.readUTF();
                         System.out.println("Received: "+ data);
               }catch (UnknownHostException e){
                                     System.out.println("Sock:"+e.getMessage());
               }catch (EOFException e){System.out.println("EOF:"+e.getMessage());
               }catch (IOException e){System.out.println("IO:"+e.getMessage());}
            }finally {if(s!=null) try {s.close();}catch (IOException e){System.out.println("close:"+e.getMessage());}}
```



# TCP server makes a connection for each client and then echoes the client's request



## continued

```
class Connection extends Thread {
           DataInputStream in;
           DataOutputStream out;
           Socket clientSocket:
           public Connection (Socket aClientSocket) {
              try {
                       clientSocket = aClientSocket;
                       in = new DataInputStream( clientSocket.getInputStream());
                       out =new DataOutputStream( clientSocket.getOutputStream());
                       this.start();
              } catch(IOException e) {System.out.println("Connection:"+e.getMessage());}
           public void run(){
              try {
                                                         // an echo server
                       String\ data = in.readUTF();
                       out.writeUTF(data);
              } catch(EOFException e) {System.out.println("EOF:"+e.getMessage());
              } catch(IOException e) {System.out.println("IO:"+e.getMessage());}
              } finally{ try {clientSocket.close();}catch (IOException e){/*close failed*/}}
```

# Group Communication:

- Multicast: an operation that sends a single message from one process to each of the members of a group of processes
- Fault tolerance based on replicated services
- Finding the discovery servers in spontaneous networking
- Better performance through replicated data
- Propagation of event notifications



## IP multicast

- multicast group is specified by a class D Internet address
  - membership is dynamic, to join make a socket
  - programs using multicast use UDP and send datagrams to mutlicast addresses and (ordinary) port
  - (For example of Java code see book)

