# CENG420

## Web Programming and Technologies



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#### **Course Administration**

- Textbook:
- Nixon:Learning PHP, MySQL, JavaScript, and CSS
- Sebesta: Programming the world wide web
- REFERENCES
- JQuery Cookbook by O Reilly ISBN: 978-0-596-15977-1 (free PDF available)
- Prerequisites:
  - CSCI300: Intermediate programming
  - CENG375: Introduction to Database
- Grading:
  - Test 15
  - Midterm 20
  - Final 30
  - Project 20
  - Assignments 10
  - Attendance 5

### **Course Content**

- Introduction to HTML and HTTP protocol.
- Introduction to Cascaded Style Sheet (CSS) and bootstrap
- Client-side scripting using JavaScript and Document Object Model, [Jquery and Ajax]
- Server-side scripting with PHP
- Handling user form data and requests
- Session Tracking
- Database connectivity
- Outline security and privacy risks associated with web applications.

# CENG420 Chapter1

**Fundamentals** 



### Web or Internet?

- Internet: is a massive network of networks with their networking infrastructure. It connects millions of computers to communicate with each others as long as they are on the internet.
- Information that travels over the Internet does so via a variety of languages known as:

#### **Network protocols**

e.g. HTTP, SMTP, DNS, FTP, etc (to be seen in CENG415)



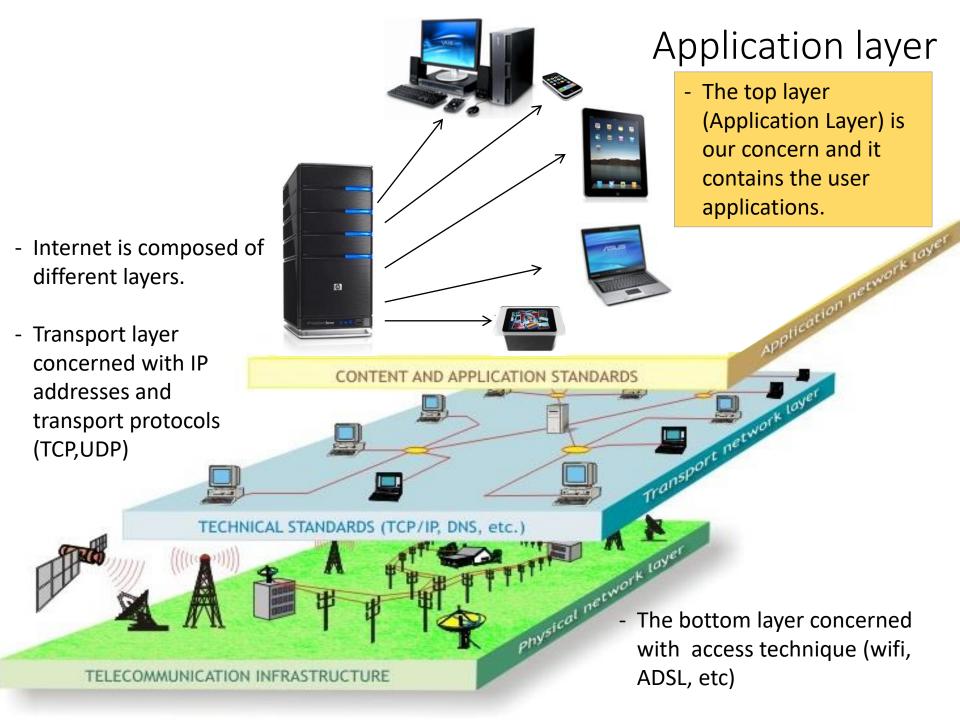
- World Wide Web (simply Web): a way of accessing and sharing information over the Internet.
- Web uses the HTTP protocol, only one of the protocols used over Internet, to transmit data.
- Some computers run *Web servers* and provide services to the majority of computers that run *Web clients* or browsers (*Internet Explorer, Firefox, google chrome*)



## Web or Internet?

#### **Conclusion:**

- Internet is NOT the Web, web is only a portion of the Internet (a huge portion as well ☺)
- Internet is also used for e-mail (SMTP), file sharing (FTP, Bittorrent), media communications, etc.



#### IP and DNS

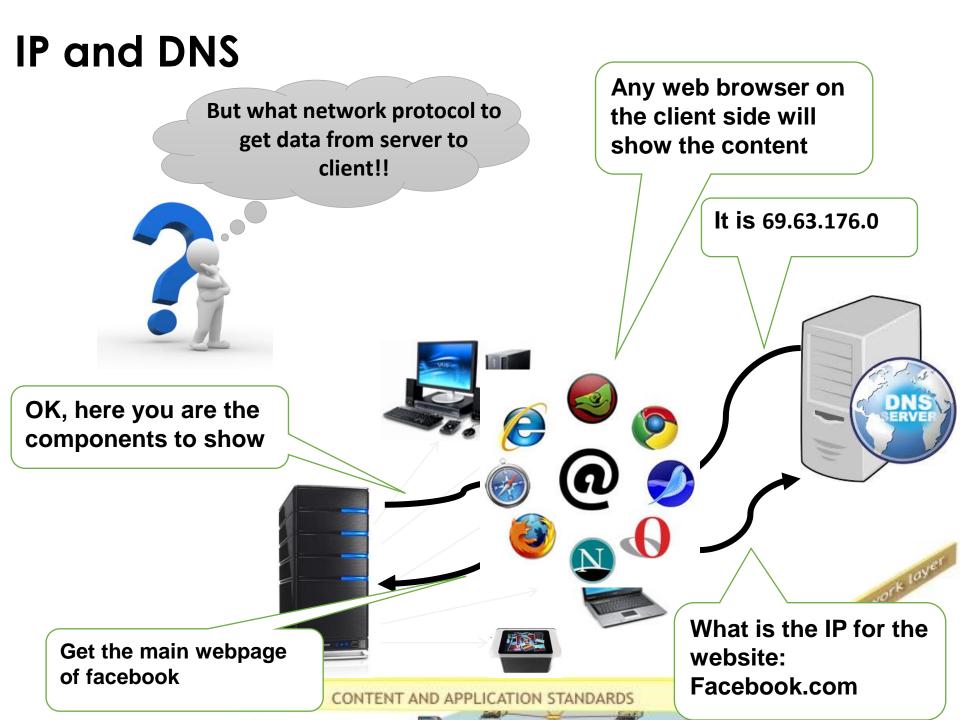
- Each component on the Internet has an IP address to be recognized with
  - IP (V4) addresses consist in 32 bit written in groups of three digits from 0 to 254, e.g. 192.144.200.01 (refer to CENG415)
- IP addresses are so hard to memorize! Names are generally easier (hotmail, google, facebook, etc).
  - DNS (Domin Name System) is used to translate between IPs and names

For example

www.google.com has the IP

216.58.208.238

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### HTTP Protocol @ Application layer

#### HTTP: hypertext transfer protocol

- Web's application layer protocol
- client/server model
  - client: browser that requests, receives, "displays" Web objects
  - server: Web server sends objects in response to requests



## HTTP and Web objects

- HTTP is used to transfer web objects
- Each web page consists of several objects
- objects can be HTML file, JPEG image, Java applet, audio file, video file, ...
- web page consists of base HTML-file which includes several referenced objects
- each object is addressable by a URL
- Example URL:

```
http://www.someschool.edu/someDept/pic.gif
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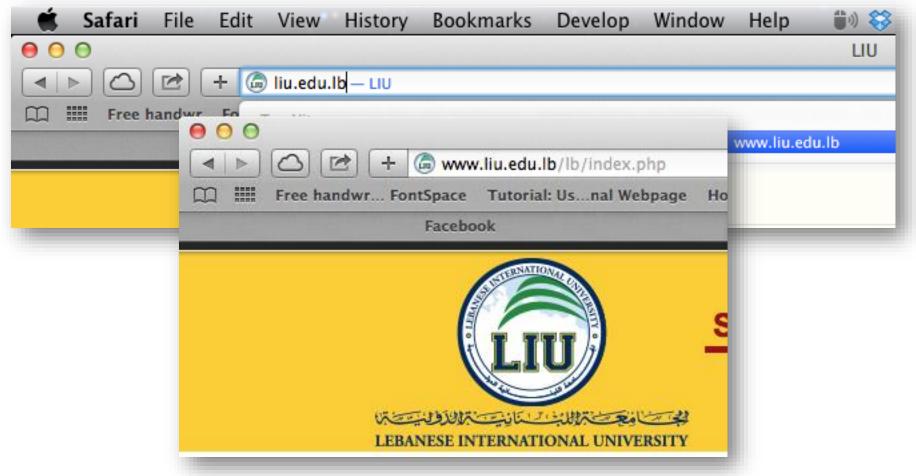
protocol

host + network name ("www" is host name) path (full file) name (or directory name, or "")

### Web servers

• Web servers also support ftp, news and mailto

• URLs:



# HTTP request message

- two types of HTTP messages: request, response
- HTTP request message:
  - ASCII (human-readable format)

```
request line
(GET, POST,
HEAD commands)

header
lines to be seen in
CENG415

GET /somedir/page.html HTTP/1.1

Host: www.someschool.edu
User-agent: Mozilla/4.0

Connection: close
Accept-language:fr
```

# HTTP response message

But What is HTML?

status line (protocol status code status phrase)

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Connection close

Date: Thu, 06 Aug 1998 12:00:15 GMT

Server: Apache/1.3.0 (Unix)

Last-Modified: Mon, 22 Jun 1998 .....

Content-Length: 6821

Content-Type: text/html

header lines

data, e.g., requested HTML file

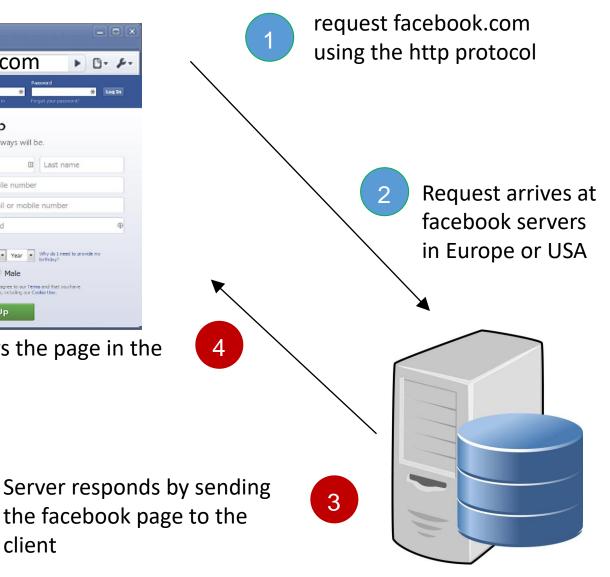
data data data data ...

### Example



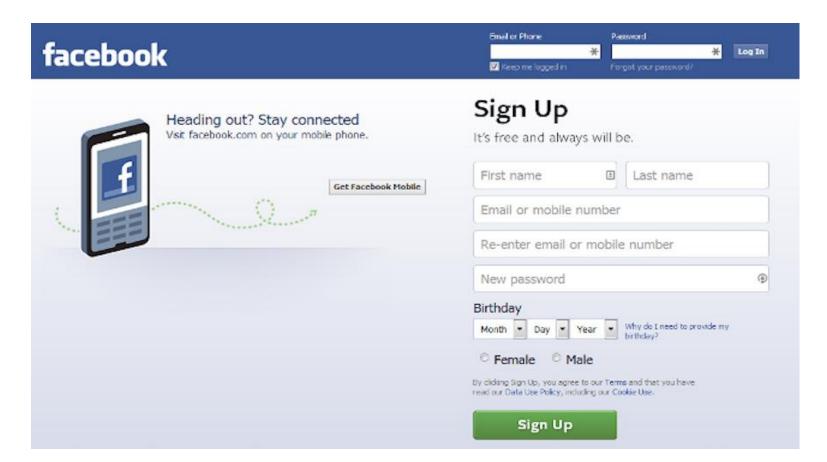
Client displays the page in the browser

client



### But what did the server send?

What is actually this? And how did the browser displayed these components: input fields, blue navigation bar, gray backgrounds, images, etc...



# It's **HTML**!

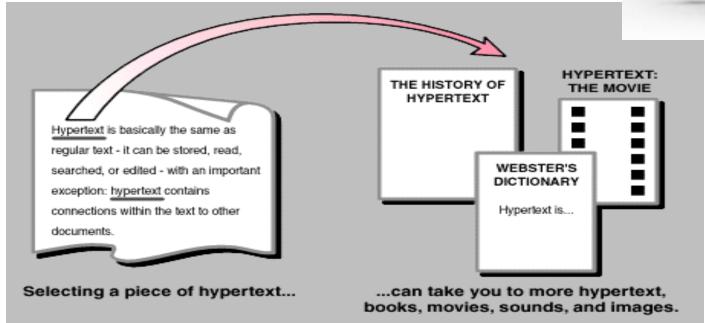
- and other things too (but let's stick now to HTML)
- The browser receives something like this:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
    <head>
        <title>Example<title>
        <link rel="stylesheet" href="sty"</pre>
    </head>
    <body>
        <h1>
            <a href="/">Header</a>
        </h1>
        <nav>
            <a href="one/">0ne</a>
            <a href="two/">Two</a>
            <a href="three/">Three</a>
        </nav>
```

### HTTP vs HTML

- HTTP: hypertext transfer protocol
  - The rules governing the conversation between a Web client and a Web server
- HTML: hypertext markup language
  - Definitions of tags that are added to Web documents to control their appearance.





### **Besides HTML:**

a style sheet language used for describing the look and formatting of a document written in a markup language such as HTML









a server scripting language, and a powerful tool for making dynamic and interactive Web pages quickly. PHP files can contain text, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and PHP code. These codes are executed on the server, and the result is returned to the browser as plain HTML

a dynamic computer programming language to implement client-side scripts