

Midterm ch.10-12

ONLY some concepts including.

The HTTP Protocol

- What Does the WWW Server Do?
 1. Enables browser requests
 2. Mainly provides: Support for retrieving hypertext documents; Manage access to the Web site; Provides several mechanisms for executing server-side scripts
 - Common Gateway Interface (CGI)
 - Application Program Interface (API)
 - Direct Module Interfaces (SAPI)
 3. produce log files and usage statistics
- How Does a Web Server Communicate?

HTTP: HyperText Transfer Protocol, lightweight, version 1.1
- MIME(Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions) Media Types
- Intermediary
 1. proxy: forwarding agent, eg. caching proxy
 2. gateway: receiving agent, eg. convey HTTP traffic to another
 3. tunnel: acts as a relay point between 2 connections w/o changing the message, eg. transport non-HTTP data over one or more HTTP connections, w/o looking at the data.
- Persistent Connections
 - TCP uses a three-way handshake: client sends SYN, server replies ACK/SYN, client responds with ACK
 - keep-alive, default is persistent -> connection: close

permits multiple connections in parallel. but may slower, as they may compete for available bandwidth
- HTTP Request Methods
 - GET(..by the request URL), HEAD, POST(request includes a block of data in the message body), PUT, DELETE, TRACE, OPTIONS
- HTTP Headers
 - general
 - Request
 - Accept, Accept-Charset, Accept-Encoding: compress, gzip, Accept-Language, Authorization, From, Host, Referer,

- eg. UserAgent(reports the client software name and version and possibly platform)
userAgent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_13_3) AppleWebKit/604.5.6 (KHTML, like Gecko) **Version**/11.0.3 **Safari**/604.5.6
- Byte Range Headers: If-Range: "entity-tag"(guarantee that any new byte range responses are generated from the same source object.); Range, Accept-ranges, Content-Range

○ Response

- Server
- **Age**(in seconds since response was generated)
- **Location**(indicates that re-direction is desired)
- WWW-AUTHENTICATE(sent with **401 Unauthorized** status code, it includes authorization parameters)
- Retry-after(used with Service Unavailable status, indicates requested data will be available in X seconds)

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10 proxy-id	"Revalidation failed"
10 Response is stale	11 Revalidation failed
12 Disconnected operation	13 Heuristic expiration
14 Transformation applied	99 Miscellaneous warning

○ Entity

- for web cache validation, and which allows a client to make conditional requests -> caches to be more efficient, and saves bandwidth
- An ETag is an opaque identifier assigned by a web server to a specific version of a resource found at a URL
- An ETag is a serial number or a checksum that uniquely identifies the file
`If-None-Match` condition header -> if match, `304 Not Modified`
- Allow, Content-Base, Content-Endoing, Content-Language, Content-Length, Content-Location, Content-MD5(created by the web server), Content-type
- **Etag**(specifies the entity tag for the object, which can be used for re-validation; tags are unique ids determined by the server; this line is normally sent as a response)
- **Expires**(specifies the expiration date/time of the object; a cached copy should not be used beyond; Expires 0/now is immediate)
- **Last-Modified**(...creation/last modification time of the object on the web server)

○ extension

- Status-Line: *(general-header | response-header | entityheader) CRLF [message-body]
Status-Line = HTTP-Version Status-Code Reason-Phrase CRLF
- Status Codes

1XX	Informational
100	Continue, the client may continue with its request; used for a PUT before a large document is sent
101	Switching Protocols

2XX	Successful
200	OK , request succeeded
201	Created, result is newly created
202	Accepted, created later
203	Non-authoritative information, info returned from a cached copy and may be wrong
204	No content , response is intentionally blank -> not change the page
205	Reset Content
206	Partial content, eg. a byte range response

3XX	Redirection
300	Multiple choices, the document has multiple representations
301	Moved permanently , Location: header
302	Moved temporarily
303	See other, automatically redirect the client to a different URL
304	Not modified , the client or proxy copy is still up-to-date
305	Use proxy, make the request via the proxy
306	Proxy Redirection
307	Temporary Redirect

4XX	Client Error		
400	Bad request , server could not understand	408	Request Timeout
401	unauthorized , authorization changes	409	Conflict
402	Payment Required	410	Gone , requested resource is no longer available
403	forbidden , server refuses to fulfill request	411	Length Required
404	Not found	412	Precondition failed
405	Method not allowed	413	Request entity too large
406	Not Acceptable	414	Request URL too large
407	Proxy Authentication Required	415	Unsupported media type

5XX	Server Error
500	Internal server error
501	Not implemented, because server does not support it
502	Bad gateway , intermediate proxy server received a bad response
503	Server unavailable, due to high load or maintenance on the server
504	Gateway timeout, intermediate proxy server timed out waiting for response from another server
505	HTTP version not supported

- Others

- `META HTTP-EQUIV` : for authors of HTML documents to set HTTP headers, in particular HTTP responses
- `X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN` : Provides Clickjacking protection. /DENY/ALLOW-FROM <https://example.com/>
- **HTTP Strict-Transport-Security (HSTS)**
- Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS)
 browser send `Origin: url`, server send `Access-Control-Allow-Origin: url` if allows, or the browser will deliver an error

The Web Server

- Web Server Features

- Main features

- platform they run on; complete support for HTTP 1.1; Multithreading, load balancing

- Security features

- ability to provide IP address/domain name restriction; Support for secure transactions: **SSL**; Ability to act as a proxy server

- 1. Document Root

- the document tree is organized by the web site administrator

- use the **host name or IP address**

- 2. Directory Listing: Turn off, Remove "Indexes" from Options Indexes in

- `httpd.conf`

- 3. Authentication: Basic 0<V%L:EB.G-E8W))\$J

- Server decodes name and password and checks it against its password file

- 4. Proxy Servers, Caching, CGI Scripting, Application Program Interface

- 5. Creating Server-Side Application:

- Web Servers offer several mechanisms:

- 1. Application Programming Interface (**API**)

- 2. Common Gateway Interface (**CGI**)

- 3. **J2EE / .NET** interfaces

- 4. Chrome V8 JavaScript Engine (Google): **Node.js**

- 5. **Direct Module Interfaces (PHP)**

- Microsoft **IIS** server-side supports:

- 1. CGI applications

- 2. API applications compiled as **DLL**

- 3. Active Server Pages (written in VBScript)

- 4. **ASP.NET** applications (written in C++, VB.NET, C#, or HTML/CSS/JavaScript)

- Web Servers: apache, Microsoft, NGINX, NGINX Software

- Application Servers: Oracle, IBM, Oracle

- Configuring a Server

- server root, document root, location of CGI scripts or server-side components to execute, Access restrictions, Fancy indexing, Sys admin e-mail, Other features

- Port Numbers:

- System ports: 0 - 1023, are reserved for certain functions, typically assigned by **IANA** (Internet Assigned Number Authority)

- Well-known TCP / UDP ports: 20,ftp,ftp data connection; 21,ftp,ftp control connection;

25,SMTP,simple mail transfer protocol, 53,DNS, domain name service; 80,http, hypertext transfer protocol;110, pop3, post office protocol; 443, https, secure http (SSL)

- Dynamic ports 49152 - 65535

- **Apache** Web Server: A set of PAtCHEs to NCSA's httpd

- server functionality is available through modules which are either built-into or loaded into the server
- 1. On UNIX, Apache starts several processes to implement the server and handle requests
 2. On Windows there are only two processes, a parent and a child that handles all requests.
- Key directories
conf(contains **configuration** files); **htdocs**(html files); **logs**(logging data); cgi-bin (**executable** scripts); icons; src
- Apache idles, listening to an IP address and port
- Some Settings
 - httpd.conf: `KeepAlive` (On, allow persistent connections), ...
 - httpd.conf(Server-pool size regulation): `DirectoryIndex index.html` (use as a pre-written HTML), Document root, ...
 - scripting: `ScriptAlias fakename realname`
- Authentication
 1. file `access.conf`
 2. per-directory access rules: `.htaccess`, slows down the server, is initially off
- `<Limit>` controls which clients can access a directory
- Virtual Hosting
 1. address-based virtual hosting uses IP addresses
 2. name-based hosting allow a single IP address to have multiple identities. eg.

```
1 NameVirtualHost 10.0.0.1
2 <VirtualHost 10.0.0.1>...</VirtualHost>
3 <VirtualHost 10.0.0.1>...</VirtualHost>
```

- Content Negotiation: content-type, encoding, language dimensions

- Apache as a Proxy Server

1. proxy servers are frequently used in **fire walled** environments to provide a single point of contact between the users inside and the Web outside the firewall.
2. A second function commonly associated with proxy servers is **caching**.

e.g. `AddModule mod_proxy.c`

ProxyRequests, ProxyBlock, NoCache

- Web Server Log Files

- Host(client hostname or IP address); ident(remote identity, often a dash)
usr, time(date/time request is received), req(TTP request)
s1(server's HTTP response status code), c1(Content-length)
- eg. marmot.usc.edu - - [17/Feb/2008:23:21:09 -0800] "GET / HTTP/1.0" 200 1316
- error_log
 - No file matching URL -> The file was not found
 - user csci571 not found -> authorization entered is incorrect
 - Premature end of script headers -> Perl script fails
 - -> Undefined subroutine
- Analyze Log Files: Google Analytics

PHP Tutorial

- 'PHP: Hypertext Preprocessor' (recursive backronym)
 - Open-source, server-side scripting language, ...
 - Interpreted language, scripts are parsed at run-time
 - Executed on the server-side
 - Source-code not visible by client
 - Various built-in functions allow for fast development
 - Compatible with many popular databases
 - Provides
 - SAPI, Server Application Programming Interface (Direct Module)
 - ISAPI, The Internet Server Application Programming Interface (IIS)
 - CGI interface
 - CLI (Command Line Interface)
- Variables
 1. Global variables can be used anywhere (declared outside a function)
 2. Local variables restricted to a function or class
 3. Variable declared "static" do not disappear when a function is completed
 4. Superglobals: predefined variables available in all 'scopes'
 - eg. Form variables(\$_POST, \$_GET)
 - Server variables (\$_SERVER)
 - State variables (\$_COOKIE, \$_SESSION)
 - Environment variables (\$_ENV)
 - eg. **PHP_SELF**, an index variable that returns the current script being executed, including its name and path (Ex: \$_SERVER['PHP_SELF'])
 - \$_GET, an associative array of variables passed to the current script

\$_POST, an associative array of variables passed to the current script

- Variable names are case sensitive

- Constants

Start with letter or underscore (_) followed by letters, numbers or underscores

Constant names use all uppercase letters

Use the define() function to create a constant `define("CONSTANT_NAME", value);`

cannot be changed, global scope

- others

- Strings in single quotes (') are not interpreted or evaluated by PHP
- function names are not case sensitive

- eg.

```
1 //Source of displayfile.php Script
2 <?php
3 $ourFileName = "apple.txt";
4 $ourFileHandle = fopen($ourFileName, "r") or die("can't open file");
5 $file = fread($ourFileHandle, filesize($ourFileName));
6 fclose($ourFileHandle);
7 header("Content-type: text/plain");
8 echo $file;
9 ?>
10
11 // rediction.php Script
12 <?php if($_POST["submit"]): ?>
13 <?php header("Location: $_POST[url]"); ?>
14 <?php else: ?>
15
16 // Creating a File List
17 if ($handle = opendir('/home/scf-
22/csci571/public_html/Special/php_ex/translated')) {
18     while (false !== ($entry = readdir($handle))) {
19         if ($entry != "." && $entry != "..") {
20             echo "<a href='$entry'>$entry</a><br/>\n";
21         }
22     }
23     closedir($handle);
24 }
```

```
1 // Example Using POST
2 <?php
3     include_once("inc.php");
4     if(isset($_POST["submit"])):
5 ?>
6 <?php print_array($_POST); ?>
7 <?php echo isset($_POST["first_name"]) ?$_POST["first_name"] : "" ?>
```



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9 // Echoing Inputs Scripts
10 <?php
11     foreach($_GET as $key => $value) {
12         if ($key !== "submit") {
13             echo $key . " = " . $value . "\n";
14         }
15     }
16 ?>

```

- PHP Sessions

- Sessions store their identifier("**Session ID**") in a cookie in the client's browser
- `session_start()`, Session variables are then set and retrieved by accessing the global `$_SESSION[]`, this is virtually invisible to the user.
- `session_destroy();`, `unset($_SESSION);`

- Connecting to a Database

```

1 <?php
2 // setup a query
3 $link = mysql_connect($host, $user, $password);
4 mysql_select_db($database); //should be $link
5 $query = "SELECT * FROM $table WHERE id = '$id'";
6 $result = mysql_query($query);
7
8 //Display a table
9 echo "<table>";
10 While ($row = mysql_fetch_array($result)) {
11     echo "<tr>";
12     foreach ($row as $key => $value) {
13         echo "<td>$value</td>";
14     }
15     echo "</tr>";
16 }
17 echo "</table>";
18 mysql_close($link);
19 ?>

```