



NETWORK PROGRAMMING: A JAVA PERSPECTIVE

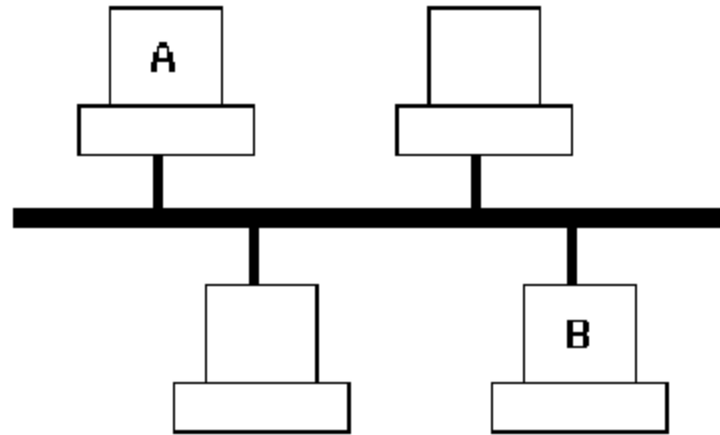
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BASIC NETWORKING: LOCAL NETWORKS

- Ethernet bus:



- IP addresses identify nodes

- 193.1.132.49

- ARP resolves IP addresses to Media Access Control (MAC) addresses.

- stored on the ROM on the Network Card Interface (NIC).
- 08-00-27-00-3c-77 (try `ipconfig -all` or `ifconfig` on Linux/MacOS)

- DNS resolves names to IP addresses

- `www.cs.ucd.ie` -> 137.43.93.109



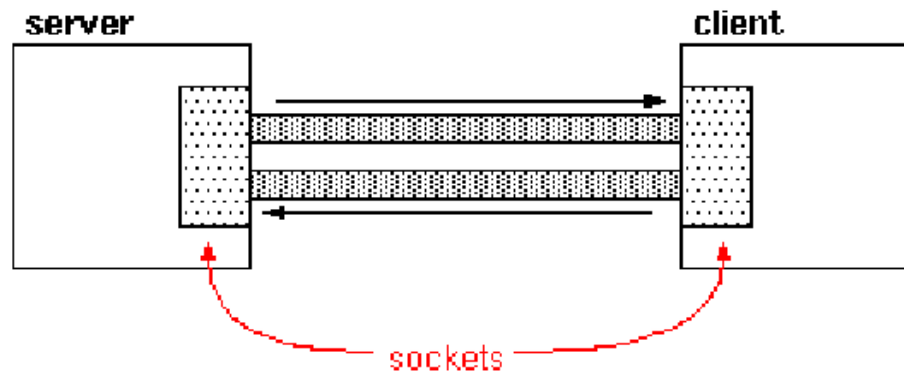
PORTS

- All network traffic arrives at the NIC
- Can address data to individual processes
 - via a port number
- Standard Ports:
 - 80 HTTP, 442 HTTPS
 - 22 SSH, 23 TELNET
 - 25 SMTP
 - 53 DNS
- User ports > 1024
- Try
 - telnet www.cs.ucd.ie 80 (use putty on windows)
 - Specifying port 80 means telnet should connect to a web server. Once it connects, try typing the following line:
GET /index.html



SOCKETS AND STREAMS

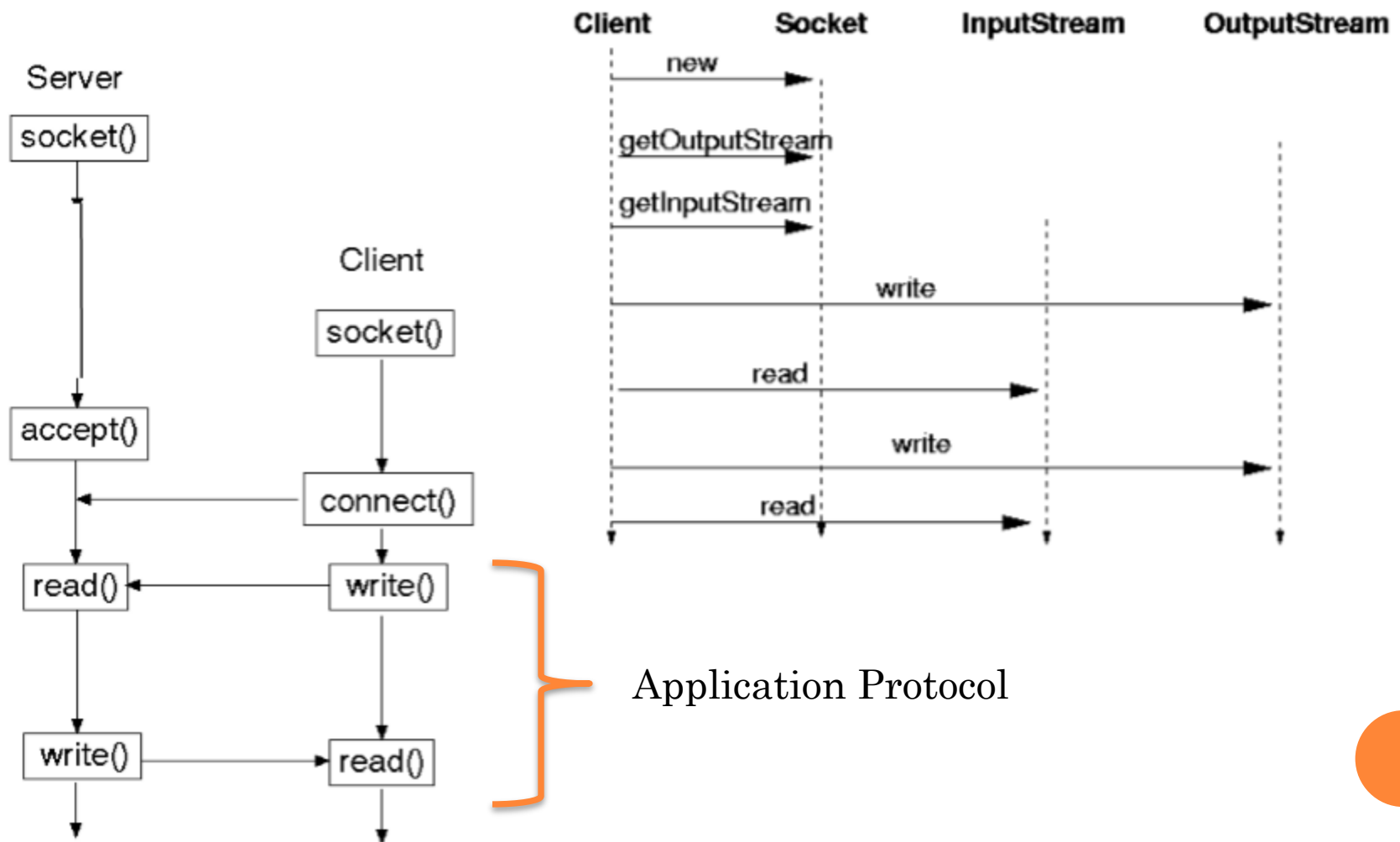
- Client-server architecture
- Server opens a socket on designated port and listens (“I’m opening a socket” – Chloe)



- Client connects and two-way comms becomes possible
 - At finish, socket is torn down
- A **protocol** defines the sequence of interactions between the client and server



SOCKETS AND STREAMS



CLIENT SOCKETS IN JAVA

```
try {  
    Socket mySocket = new Socket("www.cs.ucd.ie", 80);  
    InputStream is = mySocket.getInputStream();  
    OutputStream os = mySocket.getOutputStream();  
  
    BufferedReader in =  
        new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(is));  
    PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(os, true);  
  
    // send a string to the server  
    out.println("GET /index.html");  
  
    // Print out the response  
    String line = null;  
    while ((line = in.readLine()) != null) {  
        System.out.println(line);  
    }  
    in.close(); out.close(); mySocket.close();  
} catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }
```

Create a new socket
connected to
www.cs.ucd.ie on port 80

Get input and output
streams for read/write

Wrap the streams to
make our lives easier
true = autoflush

Close everything down –
this flushes the streams



SERVER SOCKETS IN JAVA: ECHOSERVER

```
try {  
    ServerSocket serverSocket = new ServerSocket(7788);  
  
    Socket socket = serverSocket.accept();  
  
    BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(  
        new InputStreamReader(socket.getInputStream()));  
    PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(socket.getOutputStream(), true);  
  
    String message = in.readLine();  
    out.println(message);  
} catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }
```

Open a ServerSocket
listening on port 7788

Blocking call that
returns a socket when a
client connects

Get input and output
streams for read/write
and wrap them

Receive a message, echo
it back as the response
and then quit...



ECHOCLIENT

```
try {  
    Socket mySocket = new Socket("localhost", 7788);  
    InputStream is = mySocket.getInputStream();  
    OutputStream os = mySocket.getOutputStream();  
  
    BufferedReader in =  
        new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(is));  
    PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(os, true);  
  
    // send a string to the server  
    out.println("Hello World");  
  
    // Print out the response  
    String line = in.readLine();  
    System.out.println(line);  
  
    in.close(); out.close(); mySocket.close();  
} catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }
```

Open a socket to the
server listening on port
7788 (localhost)

Send a message to the
server

Simplified handling of
response – only expecting
one line back...



ECHOSERVER2: MULTIPLE CONNECTIONS

```
public class EchoServer2 {  
    public static final int BACKLOG = 5;  
    public static void main(String[] args) { new EchoServer2(7788).listen(); }  
    private ServerSocket serverSocket;  
    public EchoServer2(int port) {  
        try {  
            serverSocket = new ServerSocket(7788, BACKLOG);  
        } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
    }  
    public void listen() {  
        while (true) {  
            try {  
                Socket socket = serverSocket.accept();  
                BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(socket.getInputStream()));  
                PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(socket.getOutputStream(), true);  
                String message = in.readLine();  
                out.println(message);  
            } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

BACKLOG = number of concurrent client connections

serverSocket is a field

Infinite loop = keep on accepting client connections.



ECHOCLIENT2: MULTIPLE CONNECTIONS

```
public class EchoClient2 {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        EchoClient2 client = new EchoClient2("localhost", 7788);  
        for (int i=0; i<10; i++) client.sendMessage("Hello World");  
    }  
    private String host; private int port;  
    public EchoClient2(String host, int port) { this.host = host; this.port = port; }  
    public void sendMessage(String message) {  
        try {  
            Socket mySocket = new Socket(host, port);  
            InputStream is = mySocket.getInputStream();  
            OutputStream os = mySocket.getOutputStream();  
            BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(is));  
            PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(os, true);  
            out.println(message);  
            String line = in.readLine();  
            System.out.println(line);  
            in.close(); out.close(); mySocket.close();  
        } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
    }  
}
```



INSERT: THREADS

- **Process:** a running instance of a computer program.
 - Each program is executed in a separate memory space.
 - Direct interaction between processes is limited to semaphores.
- **Thread:** an individual control flow within a process.
 - A process can contain main threads that can be executed in parallel.
 - Unlike processes, threads have shared memory.
 - Threads can communicate via this shared space.
 - When two threads try to access the same object at the same time, problems can arise.
 - What happens two threads try to modify and read the same field?
 - Which value is read?
 - Can we guarantee this will happen consistently?
 - **Monitors** solve this by enforcing **mutual exclusion**.
 - In Java, mutual exclusion is achieved through the use of **synchronized** blocks and methods.



INSERT: THREADS

- When a Java program is launched, a single thread is created (there is a single control flow).
 - Unless you explicitly create a thread all your code runs in that single “main” thread.
 - When you start a new thread:
 - the new thread is initialised and started
 - the existing thread continues to execute in parallel
 - Code that is to be run in a thread should be created by implementing the Runnable interface:

```
class MyThread implements Runnable {  
    private String name;  
    public MyThread(String name) { this.name = name; }  
    public void run() {  
        for (int i=0; i < 1000; i++) {  
            System.out.println(name + "=" + i);  
        }  
    }  
}
```



INSERT: THREADS

- To run the thread:

- Create an instance of the Thread class, passing an instance of the class containing the code to be run in the thread.
- Start the thread.
- Example:

```
Thread t = new Thread(new MyThread("rem"));  
t.start();
```

- Execution of threads is **interleaved**:

```
for (int i=0; i<2; i++) {  
    Thread t = new Thread(new MyThread("th-" + i));  
    t.start();  
}
```

- **WARNING:** Interleaving of threads is non-deterministic.



THREADING EXAMPLE

```
public class SharedMemoryThread implements Runnable {
    private static class SharedValue {
        private int value;
        public void updateValue(int value) {
            System.out.println("updating: " + value);
            this.value = value;
            System.out.println("value=" + this.value);
            System.out.println("updated: " + value);
        }
    }

    private SharedValue value;
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        SharedValue value = new SharedValue();
        new Thread(new SharedMemoryThread(value)).start();
        new Thread(new SharedMemoryThread(value)).start();
    }

    public SharedMemoryThread(SharedValue value) { this.value = value; }
    public void run() {
        for (int i=0; i<1000; i++) { value.updateValue(i); }
    }
}
```



THREADED ECHO SERVER

```
public class ThreadedEchoServer {  
    public static final int BACKLOG = 5;  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        new ThreadedEchoServer(7788).listen();  
    }  
  
    private ServerSocket serverSocket;  
    public ThreadedEchoServer(int port) {  
        try {  
            serverSocket = new ServerSocket(7788, BACKLOG);  
        } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
    }  
    public void listen() {  
        while (true) {  
            try {  
                new Thread(new Connection(serverSocket.accept())).start();  
            } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
        }  
    }  
}
```



THREADED ECHO SERVER

```
public class Connection implements Runnable {  
    private Socket socket;  
    public Connection(Socket socket) { this.socket = socket; }  
    public void run() {  
        try {  
            BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(  
                new InputStreamReader(socket.getInputStream()));  
            PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(socket.getOutputStream(), true);  
            String message = in.readLine();  
            while (message != null) {  
                out.println(message);  
                message = in.readLine();  
            }  
        } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
    }  
}
```



ECHOCLIENT3: REUSING CONNECTIONS

```
public class EchoClient3 {  
    private String host; private int port;  
    private Socket mySocket;  
    private BufferedReader in; private PrintWriter out;  
    public EchoClient3(String host, int port) { this.host = host; this.port = port; }  
    public void connect() {  
        try {  
            mySocket = new Socket(host, port);  
            in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(mySocket.getInputStream()));  
            out = new PrintWriter(mySocket.getOutputStream(), true);  
        } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
    }  
    public void sendMessage(String message) {  
        try {  
            out.println(message); System.out.println(in.readLine());  
        } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
    }  
    public void close() {  
        try {  
            in.close(); out.close(); mySocket.close();  
        } catch (IOException e) { e.printStackTrace(); }  
    }  
}
```



ECHOCLIENT3: REUSING CONNECTIONS

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    EchoClient3 client = new EchoClient3("localhost", 7788);  
  
    client.connect();  
    for (int i=0; i<10; i++) {  
        client.sendMessage("Hello World");  
    }  
  
    client.close();  
}
```



BINARY DATA

○ Sending Binary Data:

```
DataOutputStream os =  
    new DataOutputStream(socket.getOutputStream());  
os.writeInt(3);  
os.writeFloat(6.99);  
os.writeBytes(userInput);  
os.writeByte('\n')
```

○ Receiving Binary Data:

```
DataInputStream is =  
    new DataInputStream(socket.getInputStream());  
int n = is.readInt();  
Float f = is.readFloat();  
String str = is.readLine();
```



JAVA SOCKET HINTS

- Use the API that fits your protocol and your data:
 - Wrap the streams in `BufferedReaders` and `PrintWriters` for unicode strings
 - Wrap the streams in `DataOutputStreams` and `DataInputStreams` for binary data
- Watch your exception handling
 - Leaving open sockets can break later executions
 - Use `finally` blocks
- Close streams and judicious use of `flush()`
- Spawn threads at server side to deal with incoming requests
 - Use a simple thread pool



JAVA SOCKET HINTS

- Keep using the same socket if you need to exchange more messages
 - This is typically what we call a **PROTOCOL**.
- Separate code handling sockets from functional code
 - General principle of modularity and separation of concerns (communication vs. business logic)
- Socket Tutorials:
 - <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/networking/sockets/index.html>
 - <http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/socket-140484.html>
- Thread Tutorials:
 - <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/essential/concurrency/>

