

CSI3344 Distributed Systems

Workshop 01 - Introduction

- Q1. An alternative definition for a distributed system is that of a collection of independent computers providing the view of being a single system, that is, it is completely hidden from users that there are even multiple computers. Give an example where this view would come in very handy.
- Q2. What is the role of middleware in a distributed system?
- Q3. Explain what is meant by (distribution) transparency, and give examples of different types of transparency.
- Q4. What is an open distributed system and what benefits does openness provide?
- Q5. Describe precisely what is meant by a scalable system. What techniques can be used to achieve scalability?