

## Unit 2

### Application Layer

Overall glance of topics

- \* principles of network applications
- \* Web and HTTP
- \* FTP
- \* electronic mail. (SMTP, POP3, IMAP)
- \* DNS
- \* P2P Applications
- \* Socket programming with UDP and TCP.

### Principles of network applications

Creating a network app.

- \* write programs that:
  - run on end systems
  - communicate over network
- ex - Google Server and app in mobile

- \* No - need to write software for network-core.  
network-core devices do not run user application

### Application architectures

Possible Structure of applications:-

- \* Client - Server
- \* peer - to - peer (P2P)

## Client-Server architecture

### Server

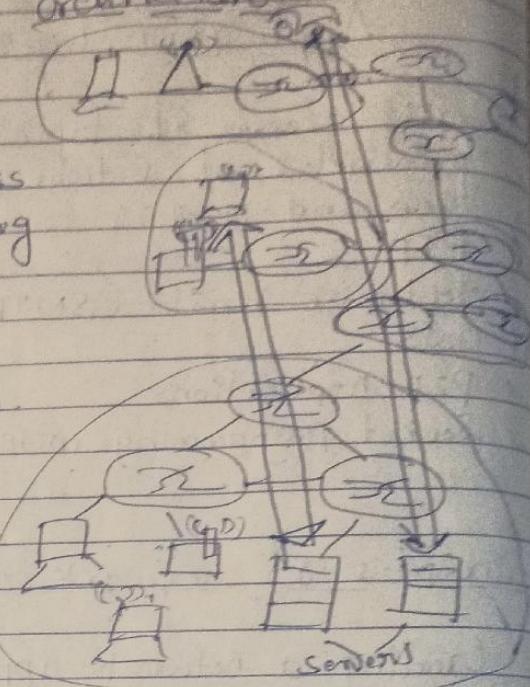
- \* always-on host
- \* permanent IP address
- \* data centers for scaling

### Client

\* Communicate with

#### Server

- \* may have dynamic IP addresses
- \* do not communicate with each other



## Peer-to-peer architecture (P2P)

\* no-always-on Servers

\* end systems directly communicates

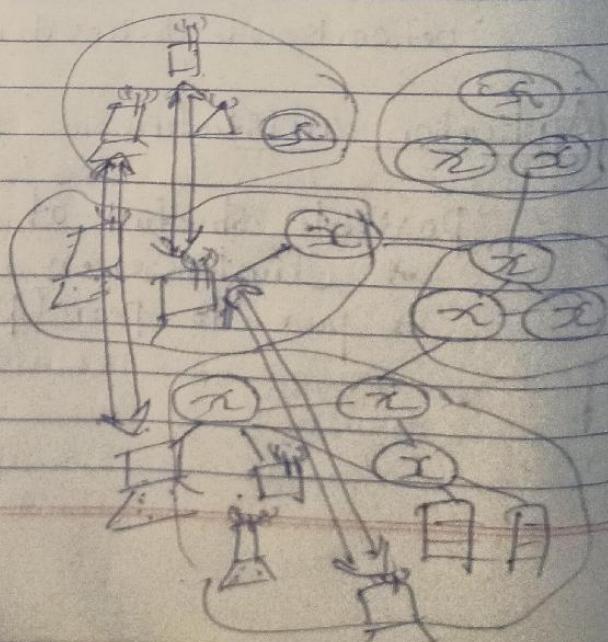
\* peer request service from other peers

\* Self-scalability

\* complex management

\* peers intermittently connected and

change IP address



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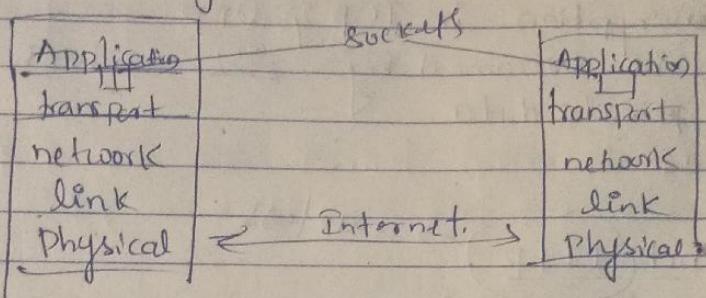
## Processes Communicating

Process is program running within a host.

Within same host, two processes communicate using inter-process communication

## Sockets

- \* Process sends/receives messages to/from its socket
- \* Socket analogous to door



## Addressing process

- \* To receive messages process must have identifier
- \* Identifier includes both IP address and port numbers

What transport service does an app need?

- \* data integrity in 100% data transfer.
- \* timing: like games response delay time.
- \* throughput: minimum throughput.
- \* Security: encryption, data integrity.

## Internet transport protocols Services

### Tcp Services

- \* reliable Transport
- \* does not provide timing minimum throughput guarantee, security

### UDP Services.

- \* Unreliable transfer
- Same here

### Securing Tcp

- No encryption in TCP & UDP.
- This is overcome by SSL → which encrypts your private data.

Web and HTTP → stateless.

Web pages consists of objects

① objects like ~~an~~ HTML file, JPEG image, Java applet, audio file,

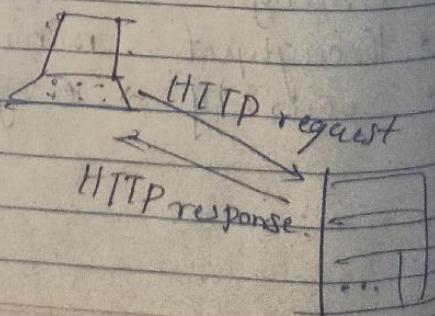
### HTTP overview

HTTP is hypertext transfer Protocol.

like client / server model.

- \* Client browse the information needed in request form

- \* Server gives answer in response form



uses TCP:

Client initiates TCP Connection (Creates Socket)  
to server, port 80

Server accepts request from client.

(Protocols exchanged from web browser to web server)

gives response to client  
TCP connection closed.

HTTP is stateless in No server maintains past  
client requests.

There are two types of HTTP Connections

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| Persistent HTTP                            | non-persistent HTTP                              |
| → multiple objects can be sent at a time.  | → at most one object is sent over TCP connection |
| → less time taking                         | → Time taking                                    |
| → single connection can download anything. | → multiple download needs multiple connections.  |

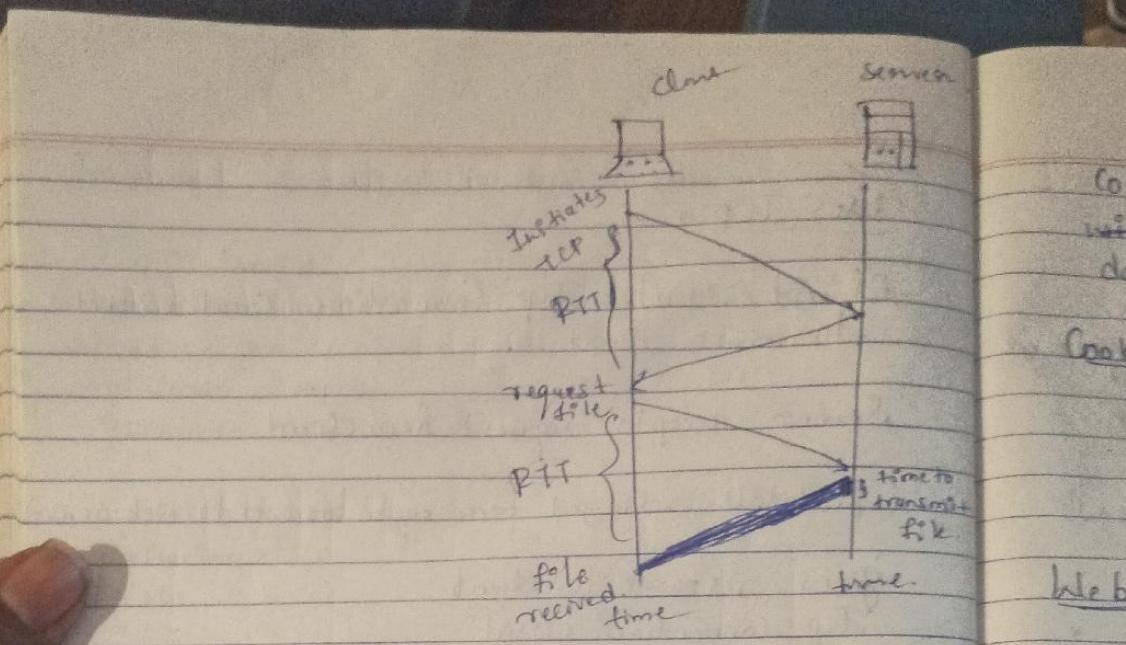
→ Server leaves connection open after sending a response.

→ Same client/server can interact without any restrictions.

(Response time = RTT)

RTT (Response Time)  
 $\text{Response} = 2\text{RTT} + \text{file transmission time}$   
time required.

→ time for a small packet to travel from client to server and back.



For HTTP message format See 29<sup>th</sup> page of  
Chapter.2.pdf in [github.com/getouf24](https://github.com/getouf24)

### HTTP method Types

- \* HTTP / I.O in get, post, Head
- \* HTTP / I.I in Get, post, head, put, Delete.

### HTTP response Status Code.

→ Code appears in 1<sup>st</sup> line of response.

200 OK

301 moved permanently

400 Bad Request

404 NOT Found

505 HTTP Version NOT Supported.

### User Server State : Cookies

- \* Used for staying in the state and backup database also tracing the request & responses generated through TCP.

Cookies creates unique ID whenever you revisit a site and upload it in backend database.

Cookies uses:- recommendations

web e-mail

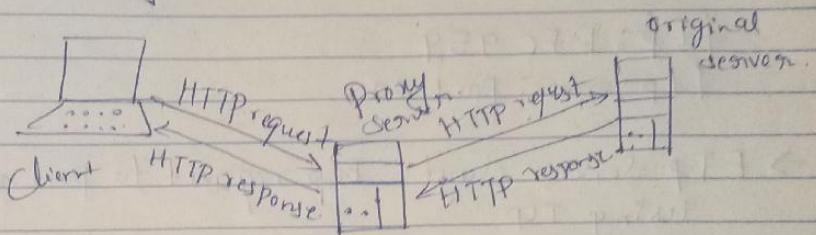
authorization

shopping carts

### Web caches

Satisfying Client request without using original server.

using Proxy Server



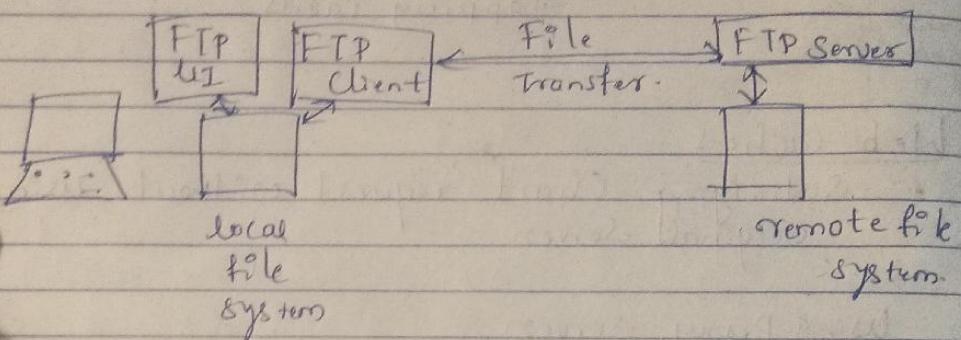
### Uses of web caches

- \* reduce response time
- \* prevent original server from attacking
- \* acts as both client & server.
  - \* Client for original server
  - \* Server for original requesting client.
- \* like P2P architecture it maintain real time property in the responding to request.
- \* Caching increase RTT & file transfer rate 100x

→ state

## FTP → File Transfer Protocol

→ File transferred from ftp Server to  
ftp client that is remote location  
↓  
location Server



ftp: RFC 959  
FTP server: Port 21

- FTP Server sends Prep request to port no 21 using TCP.
- Client authorise over Connection.
- Client browses remote directory, sends commands over Control connection.
- When Server receives file transfer request and Server opens 2nd TCP data Connection to Client.
- After transferring one file, connection closed.

→ Control connection: out of band.

→ FTP servers maintain State.  
State  
→ current directory  
earlier authentication.

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## FTP Commands, responses

Sample Commands

\* Text is sent as ASCII  
Control channel.

Sample return codes

\* Status code and phrase

USER username

331 Username OK,

PASS password

password required

LIST return list of  
file in current directory

125 data connection

already open; transfer  
starting

RETR filename

425 Can't open  
data connection

gets file

STOR filename

450 Error writing

(Store file in remote  
host)

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## Electronic Mail.

Three major Components

\* User Agents

\* mail Servers

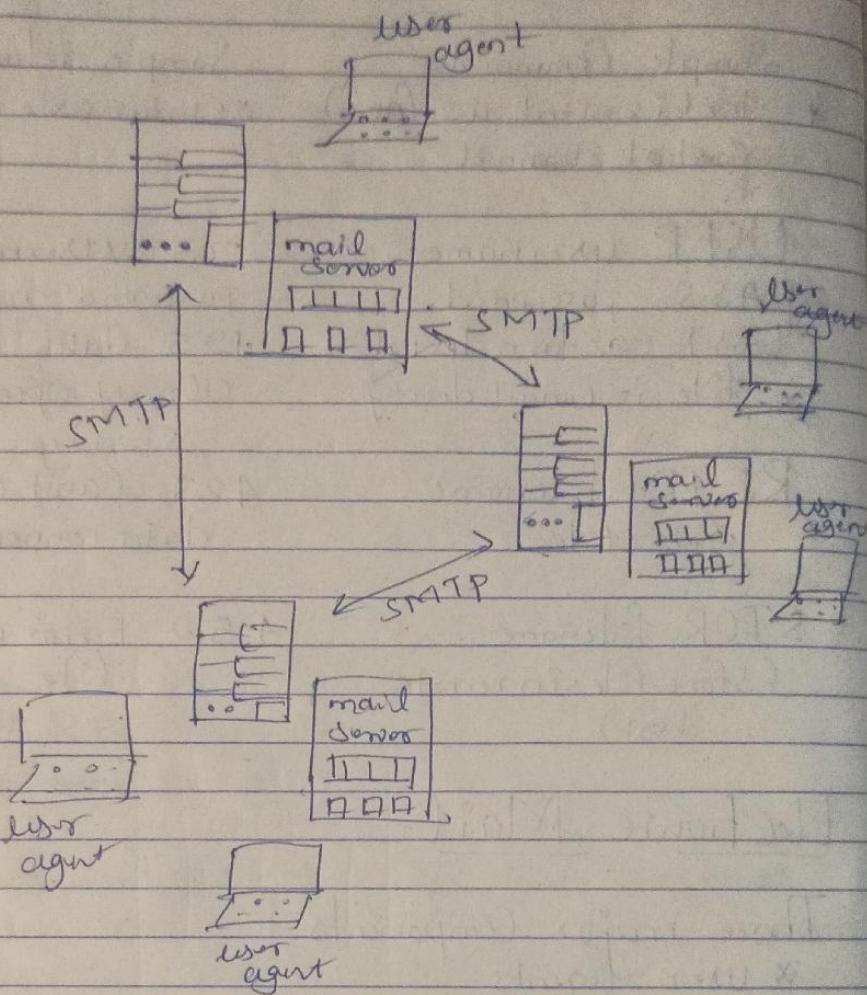
\* Simple mail transfer protocol (SMTP)

## User agent (mail reader)

→ Composing, editing, reading, mail messages.

e.g.: - outlook, Thunderbird, iphone mail client

## Mail Servers



- mail box contains incoming messages for user
- messages queue that are outgoing
- SMTP (between mail servers to send email messages)

Client : Sending mail server

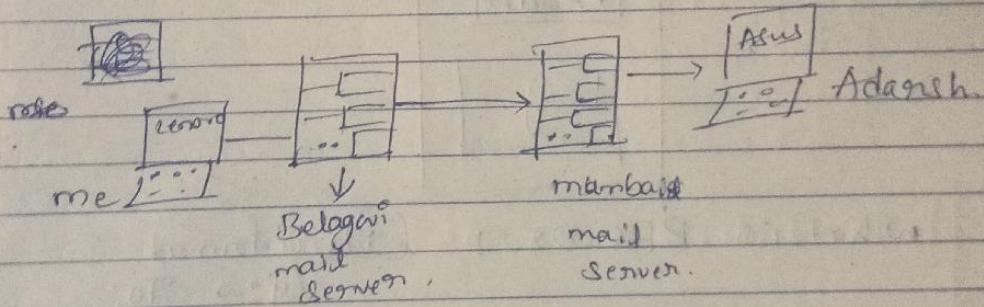
Server : Receiving mail server

## Simple Mail Transfer Protocol

SMTP → Simple mail Transfer protocol  
[RFC 2821]

- uses Tcp to transfer reliably transfer email message from Client to Server, port 25
- direct transfer → Sending Server to receiving Server.
- Three Phases
  - \* handshaking → connects
  - \* transfer message → sends
  - \* closure → closes
- like HTTPS & FTP uses Commands as ASCII and response code as status code
- message must be 7-bit ASCII

Write example like it use email in your mobile



### → Interaction

S: 220 hamburgen.edu

C: Hello, Danesh.

S: 250 Hello Danesh, pleased to meet you.

C: mail From: <naikdaneesh@gmail.com>

S: 250 Danesh.naikdaneesh@gmail.com Sender OK

C: RCPT To: Adarsh@gmail.com

S: 250 Adarsh@gmail.com Recipient OK

C: DATA

S: 350 Enter mail end with "

C: my message

S: 250 message accepted for delivery

C: quit

S: 221 hamburg.edu closing connection

SMTP uses Persistent Connections!

HTTP

pull (get)

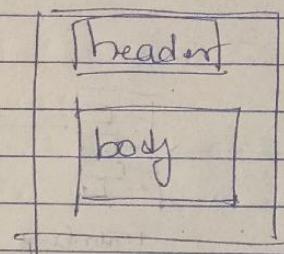
→ Each object encapsulated  
in its own response  
msg

SMTP

push

multiple objects  
Sent in multiple  
Port msg

Format of mail message



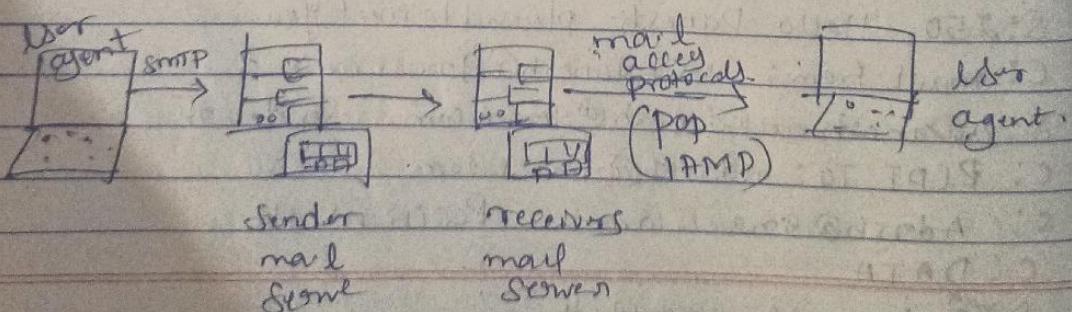
what is RFC 2821 (its a format)

e.g.: To:

From:

Subject:

Mail access protocols



[RFC 1939]

Pop3 Post office protocol (authorization download)

IMAP → Internet mail Access protocol.

[RFC 1730]

manipulation of stored msg on server.

HTTP - gmail, Hotmail, Yahoo! mail etc.

## POP3 Protocol

### \* Authorization phase

Client commands

User : declare username

Pass : password

Server response

+OK

- Error.

### \* transaction phase

List : list message numbers.

Retr : retrieve msg by number.

Delete : delete

quit .

Example for pop3 interaction (See page 58)

→ In pop3 we cannot re-read the messages.

→ Pop3 is stateless.

IMAP → maintain sessions and keep all message

in one place : at server.

→ user can organize messages in folders.

→ (amazon.com)  
→ (git.edu)

DNS (Domain Name System)

Distributed database

- \* implemented in hierarchy of many name servers

Application-layer protocol: hosts, name servers communicate to resolve names

→ Complexity solved by hierarchical dividing

DNS Services, Structure

hostname to IP address translation.

host aliasing, alias names.

mail server aliasing

load distribution.

\* Single point of failure

\* traffic volume

\* distinct centralized database

\* maintenance.

lets understand DNS (Analyze)

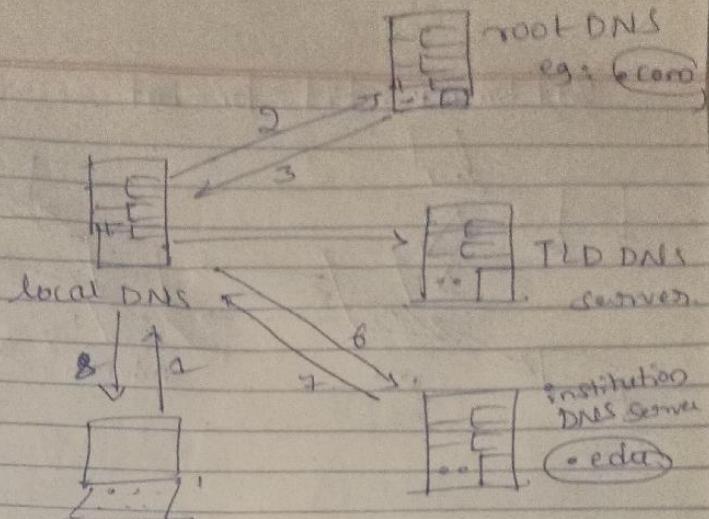
In India we use (Amazon.in)

In worldwide servers (Amazon.com)

It is only hierarchy for example  
See your emails.

for college email its (git.edu)

for personal email its (@gmail.com)



\* Caching in DNS will go (out of date)  
 (Please read page 70) - 74)

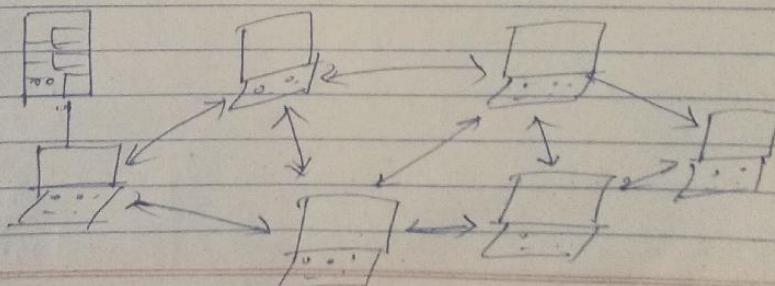
## P2P architecture (already did it)

lets Study about Bit-torrent know

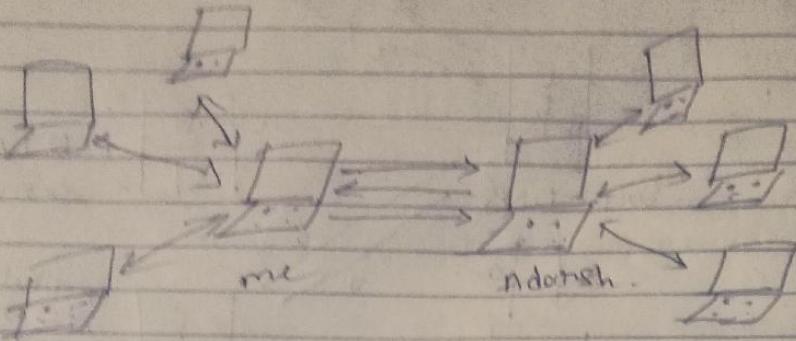
most effectiveness is Streaming is done  
 by P2P model

tracker: tracks peers  
 Participating in torrent

torrent: group of peers  
 exchanging chunks of file



BitTorrent : Bit - for - bit



Requesting, Sending file chunks.

(write . as page its similar to  
read  
Protocol transfer.  
(FTP))