

Final Exam: May 10, starts at 4 PM
between 1 and 3 hours
24-hour window
done on-line via Sakai
 primarily multiple-choice
 -> look for words like "not" in the questions
open notes
no writing code
some reading code

I mentioned telnet in the writeup
-> use netcat (nc) instead

```
$ nc <hostname> <port>
```

stuff you type in gets sent to remote end, once you hit return

Sample code note

If you are specifying -std=c99 or -std=c89,
you need to explicitly enable getaddrinfo() using a
feature test macro to get POSIX 2001+

Put this at the top of your file (before any #include)

```
#define _POSIX_C_SOURCE 200112L
```

or

```
#define _POSIX_C_SOURCE 200809L
```

if you want to use strdup()

Or just don't specify a standard or use -std=gnu99

The sample code has been updated to include these macros

GNU is a project that makes open source software
GCC is the GNU Compiler Collection
most of the commands in a Linux environment are from GNU
GNU = "GNU's Not Unix"

One other point:
ilab.cs.rutgers.edu is a name for four different machines
-> not a good choice for hosting a server, because you can't control
 which machine you connect to
-> just use the command center/cave/meltdown clusters
-> or specify ilab1.cs.rutgers.edu, etc.

Opening a connection:
getaddrinfo() to get a list of addrinfo structs

```
for each struct,
    create a socket using the provided fields
        ai_family, ai_socktype, ai_protocol
    socket()
    attempt to connect to the remote host/service
        ai_addr, ai_addrlen
    connect()
        - returns 0 for success

if connect() succeeds, then we can use the socket as a file descriptor

    read()
    write()

more powerful variants
    recv()
    send()
```

Note: TCP connections are "full duplex"
two streams:
 client sends bytes to server
 server sends bytes to client

To open a socket and wait for incoming connection requests

```
char *port = ...;
struct addrinfo hints, *info_list, *info;
memset(&hints, 0, sizeof(struct addrinfo)); // set all bytes to 0
hints.ai_family = AF_UNSPEC; // we want IPv4 or IPv6
hints.ai_socktype = SOCK_STREAM; // we want a TCP connection
hints.ai_flags = AI_PASSIVE; // we will want to listen

error = getaddrinfo(NULL, port, &hints, &info_list);
// NULL because we want a port on this host
// port specifies what port we want (e.g., "5050")
// info_list will point to the head of the linked list of results
```

```
for each addrinfo struct
    listener = socket(info->ai_family, info->ai_socktype, info->ai_protocol);
    // create our listening socket

    error = bind(listener, info->ai_addr, info->ai_addrlen);
    // associates the socket with the specified port
    // will fail if port is unavailable or in use

    error = listen(listener, queue_length);
    // set up socket to accept incoming connections
    // queue_length is mostly arbitrary (e.g., using 5 or 8 is usually okay)
```

if we succeeded in binding and listening to the socket, we can wait
for incoming connection requests

```
connection = accept(listener, NULL, NULL);
// blocks until a remote host (client) tries to connect to our port (using TCP)
// connection is a new file descriptor/socket
// it is specific to this connection

once we have accepted a connection, we use read() and write() and
eventually close()

to get the next incoming connection request, we have to call accept() again
```

read() and write() work with sockets similarly to how they work with files
-> you need to be a little more careful about blocking

```
recall:
    we give read a buffer and a requested (maximum) number of bytes

        bytes = read(connection, buffer, BUFFER_SIZE);

    bytes will contain the actual number of bytes read from the socket
    or 0 if the socket has closed
    or -1 if something went wrong

read blocks if no data is currently available

the network stack maintains a buffer of bytes that have arrived but
have not been read

when we call read, we get as much data as is available (up to our maximum)
if we request 10 bytes, but only 2 bytes have arrived,
read gives us two bytes

if no bytes are available, read blocks until data arrives or the connection
is closed (by the remote host)
```

NOTE WELL:
TCP gives us a stream of bytes, not messages
there is no guarantee that I will get a complete message in a single read
there is no guarantee that a single read will contain only one message

From TCP's perspective, a session with our client is two uninterrupted streams

stream from client to server is
"GET\n3\nday\nSET\n11\nday\nSunday\nGET\n6\na\nb c\n"

challenge:
server and client need to respond to messages as they arrive
* server won't send response until it has a complete request
* client may not send next request until it gets a response

if we are not careful, the client or server may block on a call to read()
while the other party is waiting for more information

This is why the Project III protocol specifies the message length and
includes an end-of-message sequence (the final \n)

```
-> server must not try to read past the end of a message
-> may wait forever, because client might not send more data until
it gets a response
```

You can use read()/write() for your server

or, we can use C's formatted I/O

```
FILE *fp = fdopen(file_descriptor, mode);
// fdopen() creates a FILE struct from an existing file descriptor
// works for files, pipes, sockets, etc.
// fp refers to the same file as file_descriptor
// now we use fprintf(), fscanf(),getc(), fputc(), etc.
// fclose() will close the underlying file descriptor
```

but, we need to read and write this socket
using files in read-write mode is tricky

solution: use dup() to create a second file descriptor for the socket

```
FILE *fin = fdopen(dup(connection), "r"); // copy socket & open in read mode
FILE *fout = fdopen(connection "w") // open in write mode
```

We can use getc() to get individual bytes from the socket

```
int c = getc(fin);
if (c == EOF) ....
```

We can use fscanf() to read and parse integers

```
fields = fscanf(fin, "%d", &len);
if (fields != 1) ...
```

We can use fprintf() to write to our socket

```
fprintf(fout, "GET\n%d\n%s\n", strlen(key)+1, key);
```

When we are done, we fclose() the FILES

```
fclose(fin);
fclose(fout);
```

If you don't want to mess around with fdopen(),
it is also okay to just call read() and request 1 byte at a time

```
bytes = read(connection, &some_char, 1);
```