Project 4C

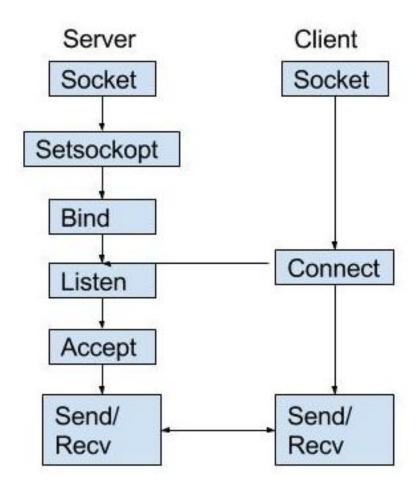
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Sending the log over a secure channel

- Remove the button from 4B
- Commands will be the same
- Your program will accept additional parameters, that you will need for the connexion
- You will send the logfile produced by your Beaglebone to a server (through a TCP connection)
 - Optionally, you will use Openssl to perform encryption on that channel

Socket programming: tutorial



The good news is that we handled the server for you: you only have to create the client

socket(2)

Goal: Create an endpoint for communication

int socket(int domain, int type, int protocol)

Communication Domain:

AF_INET: IPv4

AF_INET6: IPv6

AF_LOCAL: local

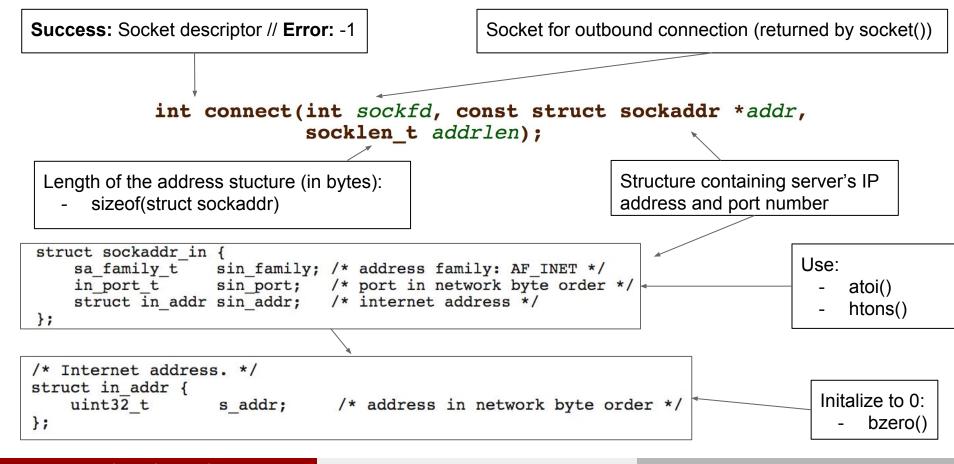
Communication type:

SOCK_STREAM: TCP
SOCK_DGRAM: UDP

This returns a file descriptor, similar to a pipe. However, sockets can handle bidirectional communication, so you only need 1 fd, not 2!

connect(2)

Goal: Connect to a remote host



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- To identify the specific process we want to interact with
- You have to use a port number above 1024, below are reserved. Some examples:
 - o 20/21 FTP
 - o 80 HTTP
 - 156 SQL Server
 - 443 HTTPS
 - O ...
- In this project, the port number will be passed as an argument

gethostbyname(3)

Goal: Identify target structure / host port

struct hostent *gethostbyname(const char *name)

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Example: Local struct hostent *h; h = gethostbyname("localhost"); printf("Host name : %s \n", (*h).h_name)
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This system call allows you to determine who you will communicate with. Pass this information to the connect() call to finish setting up your socket.

Secure Socket Layer(SSL) Library

- Difference between 'http' and 'https' is the use of ssl
- SSL provides:
 - Data encryption
 - Data authentication
 - Data Integrity
- This requires the use of keys
 - Numbers (typically 128/256 bits)
 - Combined with the message (using algorithms such as RSA)
- TLS: Based on SSL, was developed as replacement
 - When people say SSL they generally mean TLS
- In this project you will communicate with a server over a secure connection

Using the library

Before you can use any of the functions in the library, you need to:

- Install it (sudo apt-get install libssl-dev)
 - Your beaglebone might already have it installed
- Add the headers:
 - o openssl/ssl.h and openssl/err.h
- Initialize the library:
 - SSL_library_init()
- Add algorithms to an internal table:
 - OPENSSL_add_all_algorithms()
- Load error strings:
 - SSL_load_error_strings()
- Compile with -lssl -lcrypto flags

Creating a context

- Encrypted connection requires a context object to be created (SSL_CTX)
- It is a framework allowing SSL/TLS
- You have to specify which connection method to use
 - Which version of SSL/TLS
 - Whether you want a generic connection, or server/client only
 - You can use TLSv1_client_method()
- SSL_CTX *SSL_CTX_new(const SSL_METHOD method)
- Returns a pointer to an SSL_CTX object upon success, NULL otherwise

SSL_new

Now that we have the framework set up -> create the structure that will hold connection data:

- SSL *SSL_new(SSL_CTX *ctx)
 - Creates an SSL structure, holding the data of connection
 - Inherits the settings of the underlying context *ctx
- Returns a pointer to the structure on success, NULL otherwise

SSL_set_fd

- What are we communicating with? Where does our encrypted output go?
 - Through a socket onto the host
- A socket is handled by a file descriptor
 - Specify the socket to use with this function
- Int SSL_set_fd(SSL *ssl, int fd)
 - Argument 1: SSL structure previously created
 - Argument 2 : socket file descriptor
 - Returns 1 on success, 0 on error
- Note: BIO is an I/O abstraction
 - used to create an (underlying) interface between ssl and fd
 - o is automatically generated by this call.
 - Inherits blocking/nonblocking behavior from fd

SSL_connect

- We now know where our output is going locally (to the socket) and we linked the SSL object to encrypt it.
 - We now need to connect to transmit data
 - This is done by initiating a TLS/SSL handshake with the server
- int SSL_connect(SSL *ssl)
 - Takes as an argument the previously set SSL structure
 - Returns 1 on success, 0 on failure (controlled shutdown)
 - Returns <0 on fatal protocol-level error
- <u>Rmk:</u> the behavior of this function depends on the underlying BIO (such as blocking/non-blocking)

read/write

We now want to read commands/send output:

- int SSL_write(SSL *ssl, const void *buf, int num)
- int SSL_read(SSL *ssl, const void *buf, int num)
 - Write/Read num bytes from the specified ssl to/from the buffer buf
 - Returns >0 on success, <=0 on error
- Rmk: First thing that you have to send is your ID!

shutdown

- Before exiting, shutdown the client and free the SSL structure:
- SSL_shutdown(SSL *ssl)
- SSL_free(SSL *ssl)

Don't forget this step, we will check that you close the connection properly!