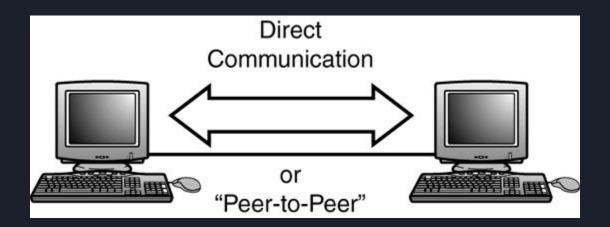
Mustache Messaging

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Concise Abstract

The point of our work was to create a program that sends relatively large files, images, and messages reliably from client to client using UDP protocol.

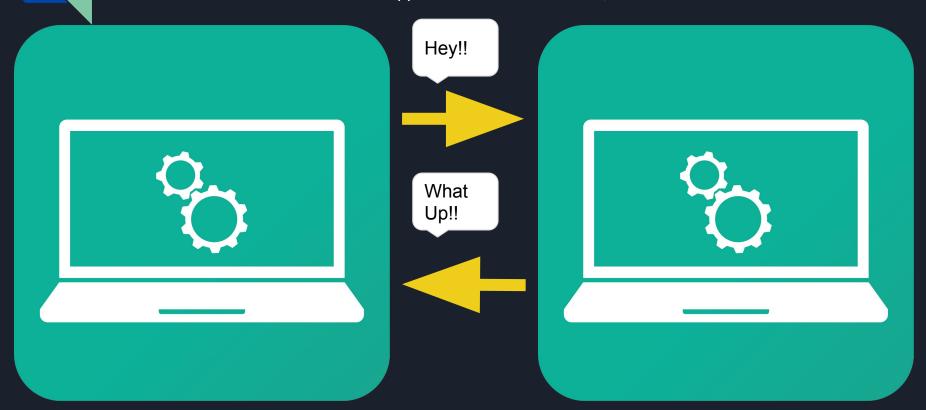


Problem motivation and design goals

Goals:

- Support file transfer up to at least 1 GB
- Have a UI that is intuitive and non-technical
- Implement Go-Back-N protocol to ensure reliable data transfer
- Allow multiple clients to chat at the same time

Peer to Peer - each instance of the application is the exact same, able to send and receive



Process: We created 4 types of packets to manage the process of sending a file.

sender:

- handshakeInit sends a handshake containing fileName, number of Segments for the file
- data contains one data segment from the file

Receiver:

- handshakeAck lets the sender know the receiver is ready to receive
- dataAck sends back the highest segment number received so far

The program is driven whenever a function receives one of these packets.

Receiver functions:

- On receive handshakeInit send a handshakeAck
- On receive data send a dataAck, append the data to the end of the file

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Sender functions:

- Send HandshakeInit must be triggered manually (When the user hits send); this function splits the file
- On receive HandshakeAck send the window (N segments), and then wait for acks; set a timer, when it times out, send the whole window again.
- On receive dataAck increase windowstart, and send the next packet

Evaluation plan & results

To test our program, we looked at time to send files and if it could send the whole file even if packets were dropped.

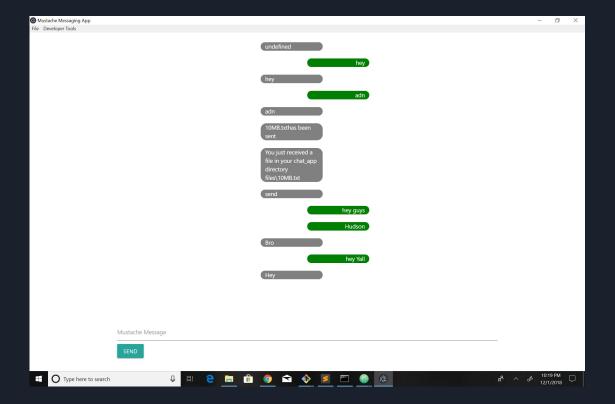
When we dropped 1% of the packets, it still sent files and received them intact.

Evaluation plan & results

File Size	Time to transfer - one machine	Time to transfer - between machines
1 KB	21.9 ms	83 ms
2KB	23.3 ms	93.61 ms
4KB	22.9 ms	115 ms
64KB	55.9 ms	211.626
1 MB	.425 s	1.2s
10 MB	3.137 s	11.0 s
100 MB	27.851 s	116.7 s
500 MB	281 s	
1 GB	658 seconds	

Conclusion

- It works quite well



Future Work

- Now it loads the whole file to be sent into RAM at the beginning, so the file size is currently limited by the user's RAM.
 - We could fix that by sending packets as they are read from the file, the same way our receiving function works
- The user experience could be smoother, there are a few graphical glitches to be fixed in future versions.





