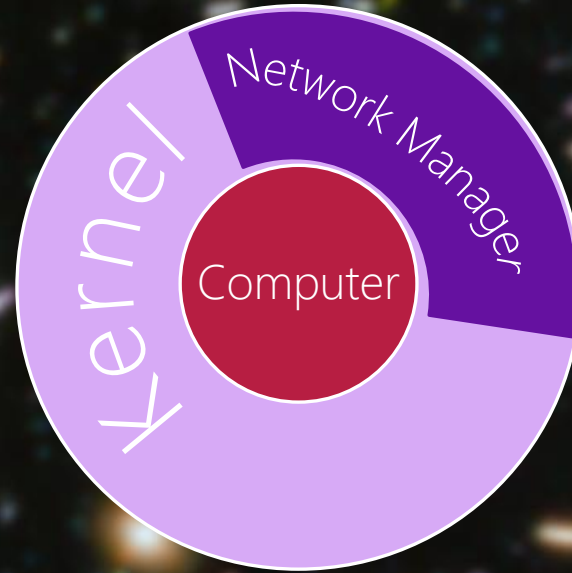
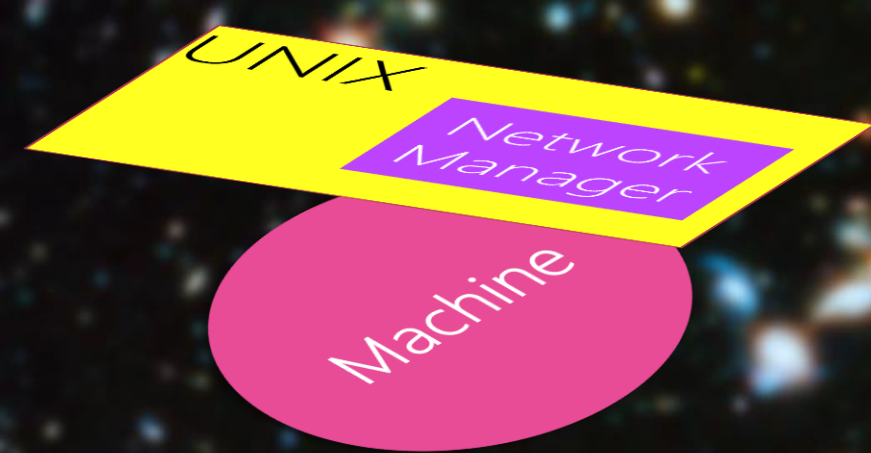
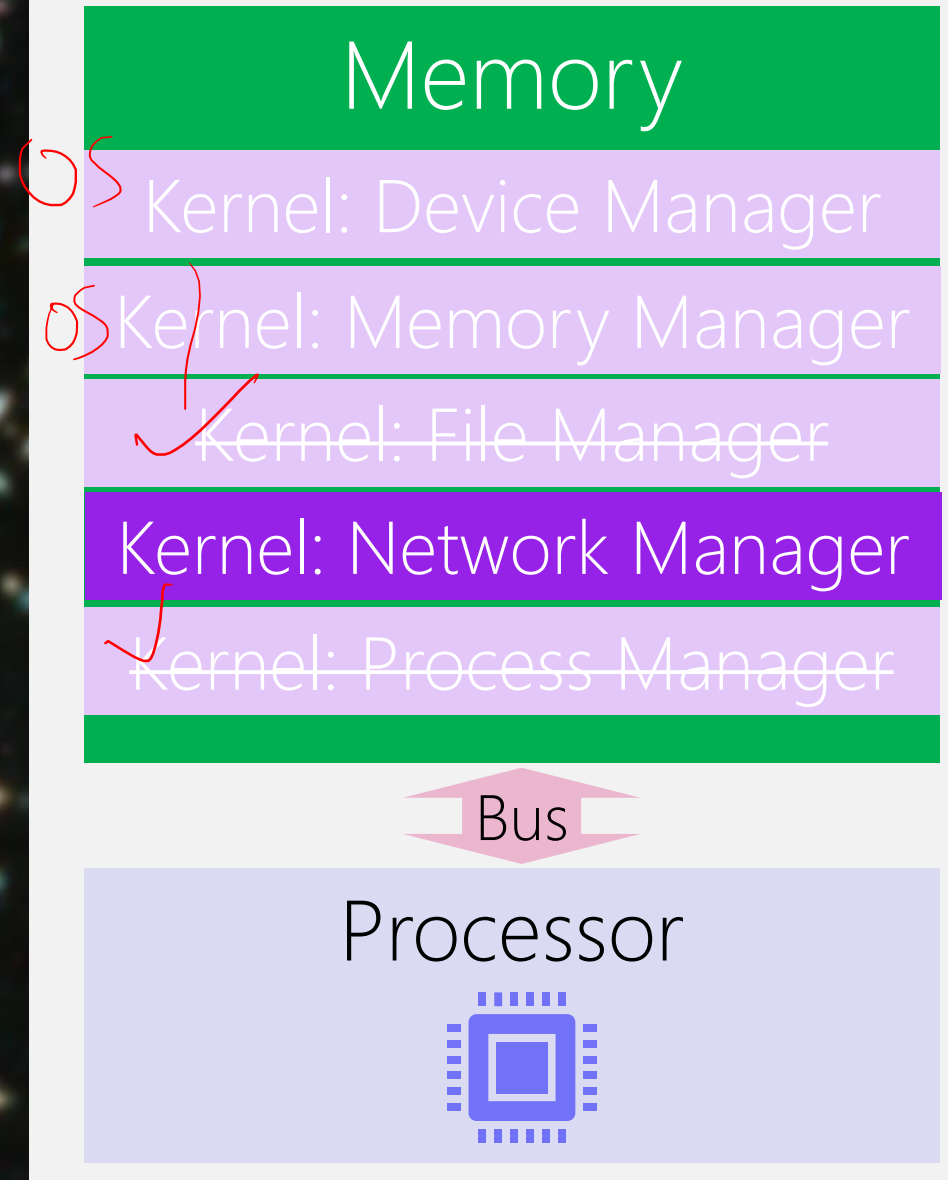


Chapter 16: Network IPC (Sockets)



Computer

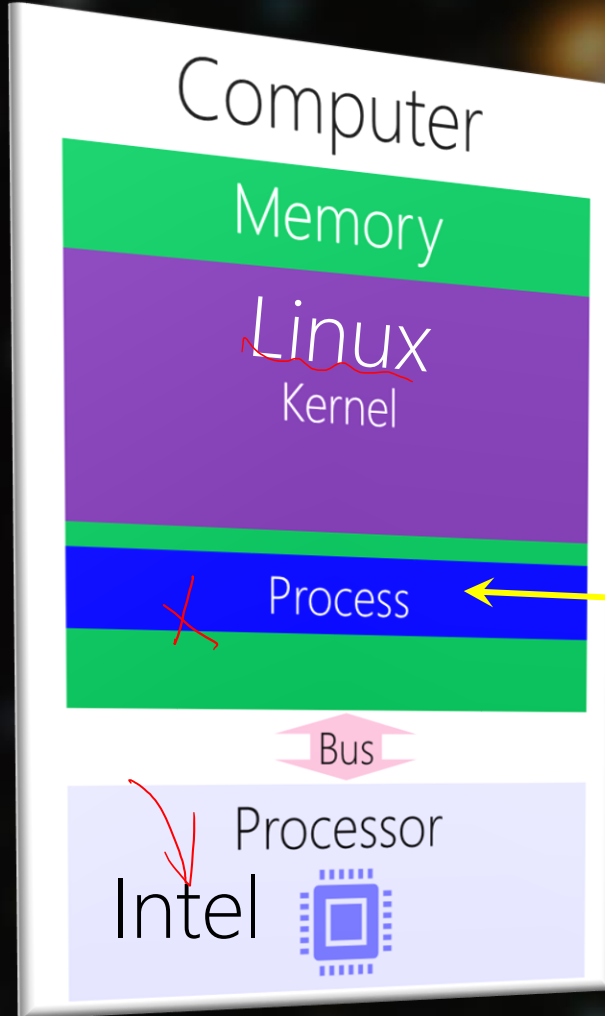


Multiprocessing Computers

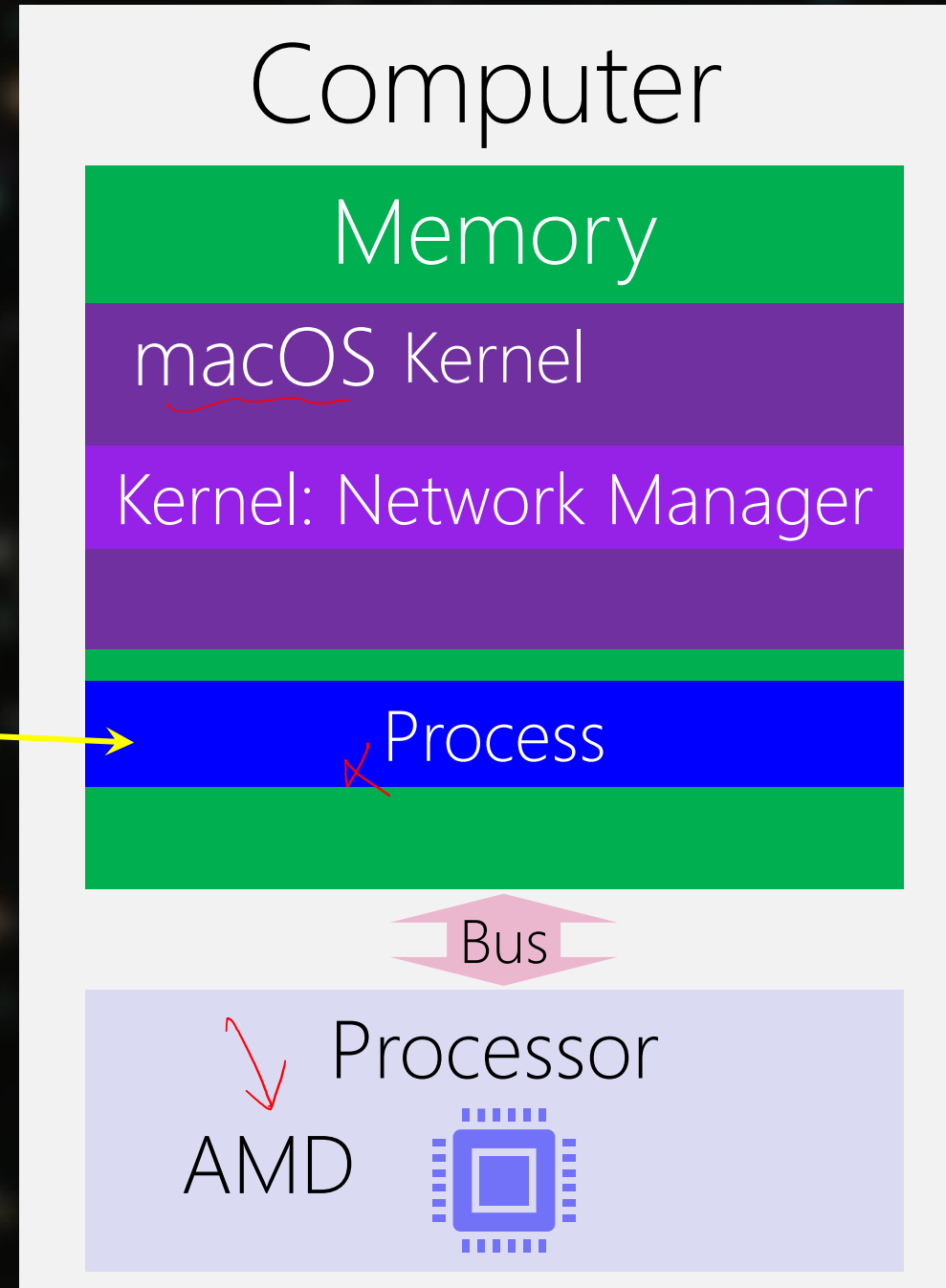
aka Computer Network

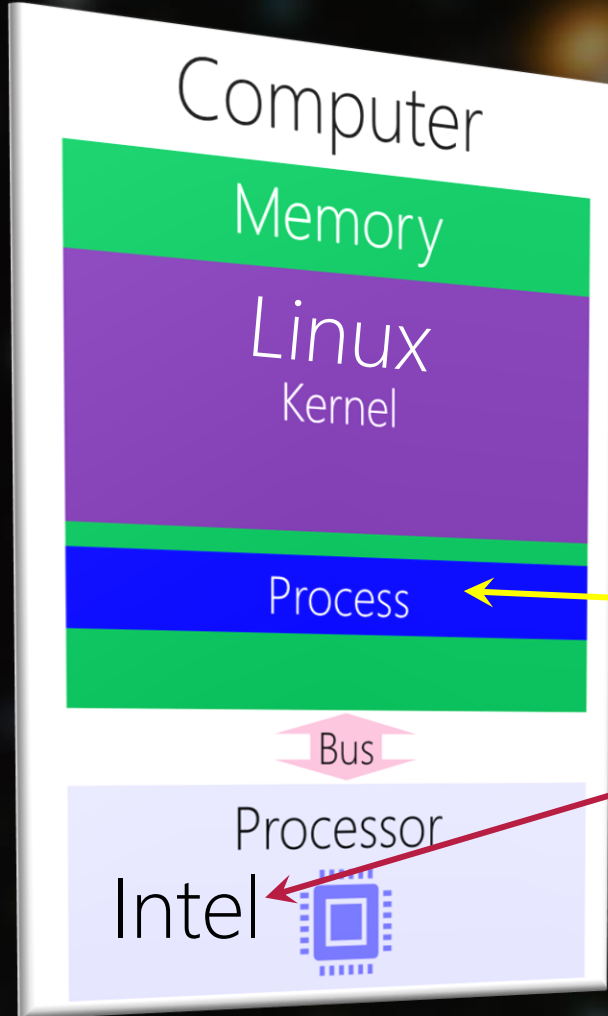
Multiple Single Processor ~~Multiprocessor~~
Step outside the computer system. Observe the World!

IPC: Family: Parent and Children
Network IPC: Families of a Society

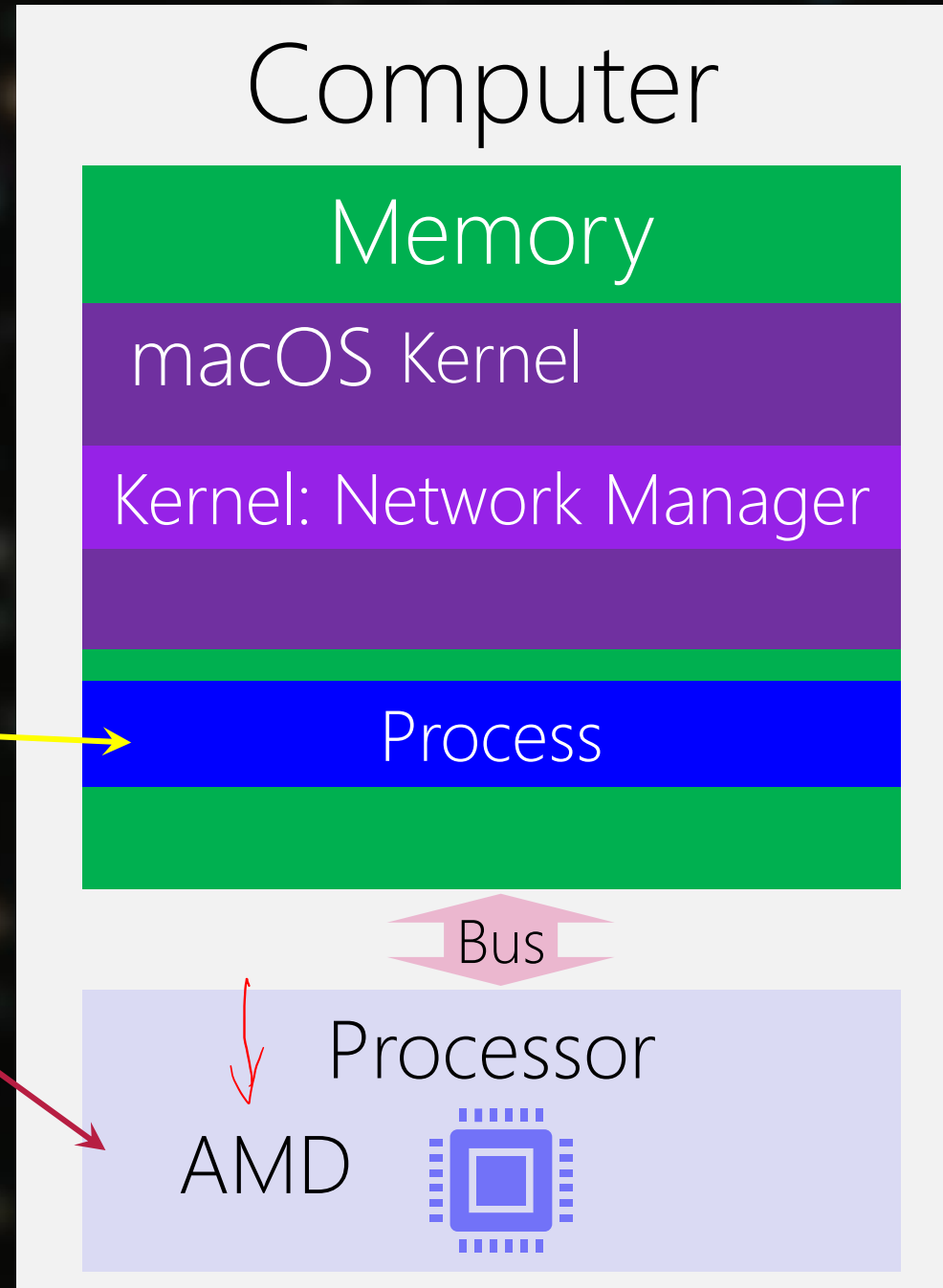


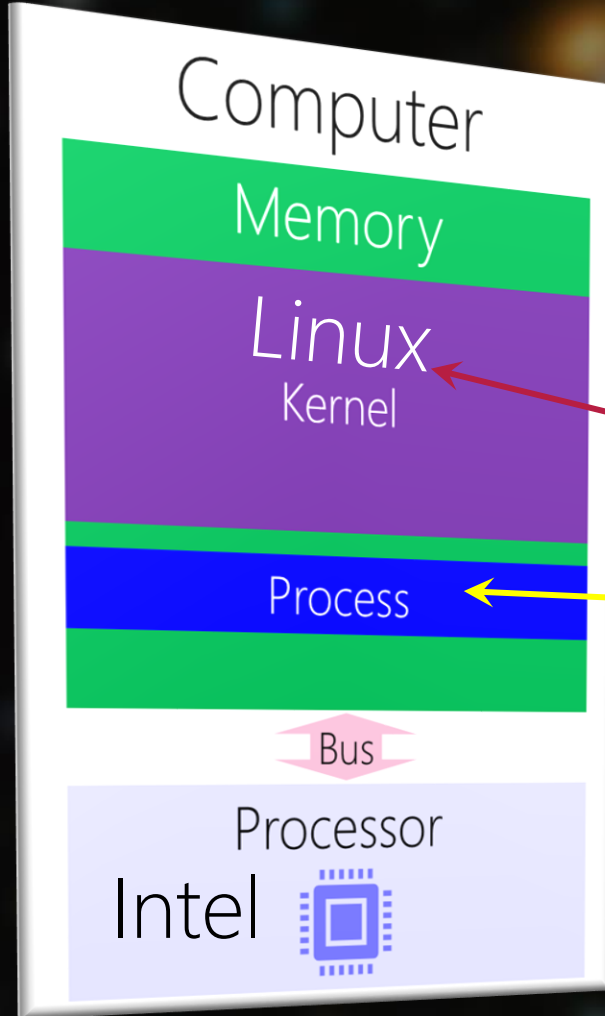
Network IPC



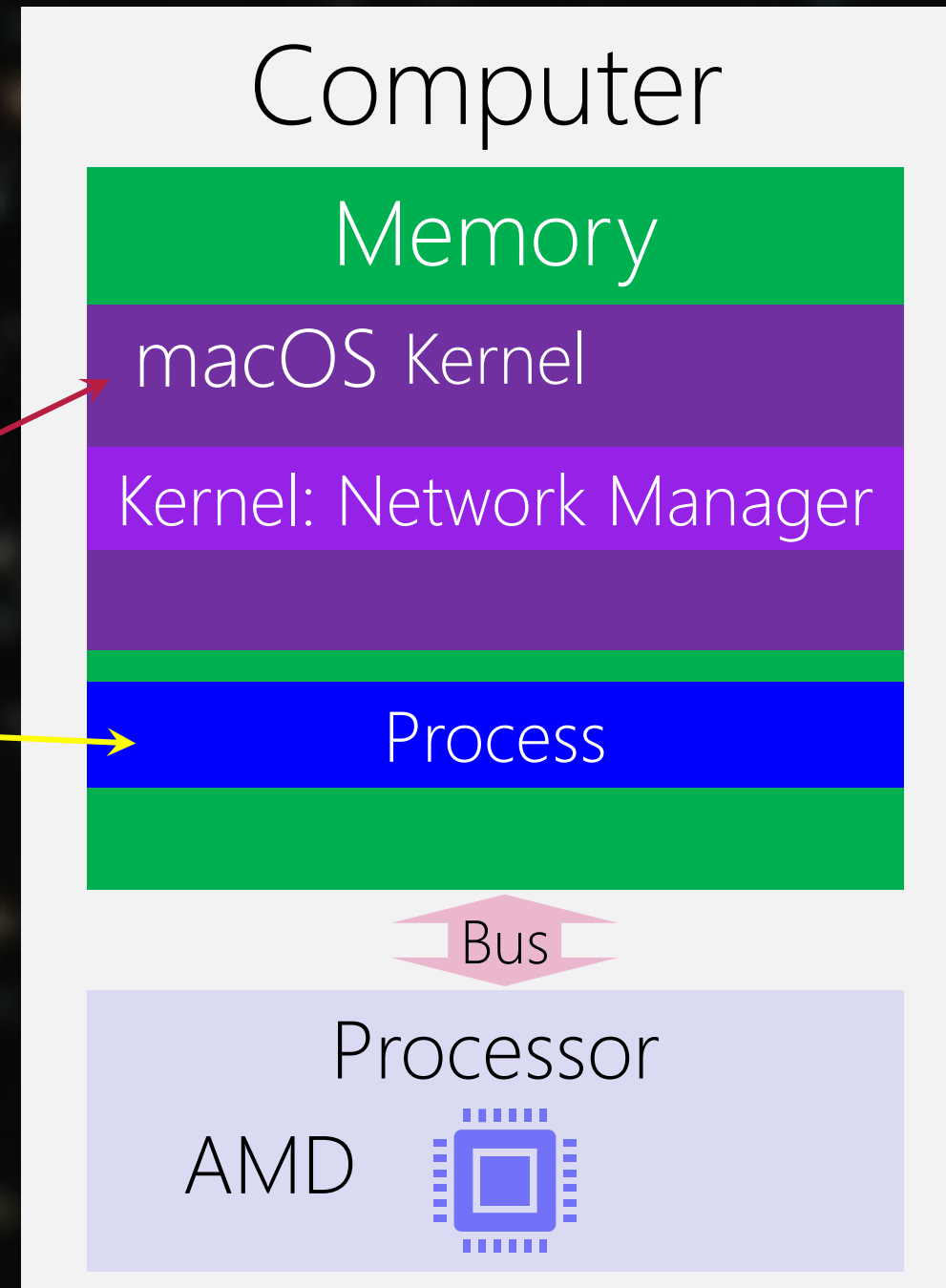


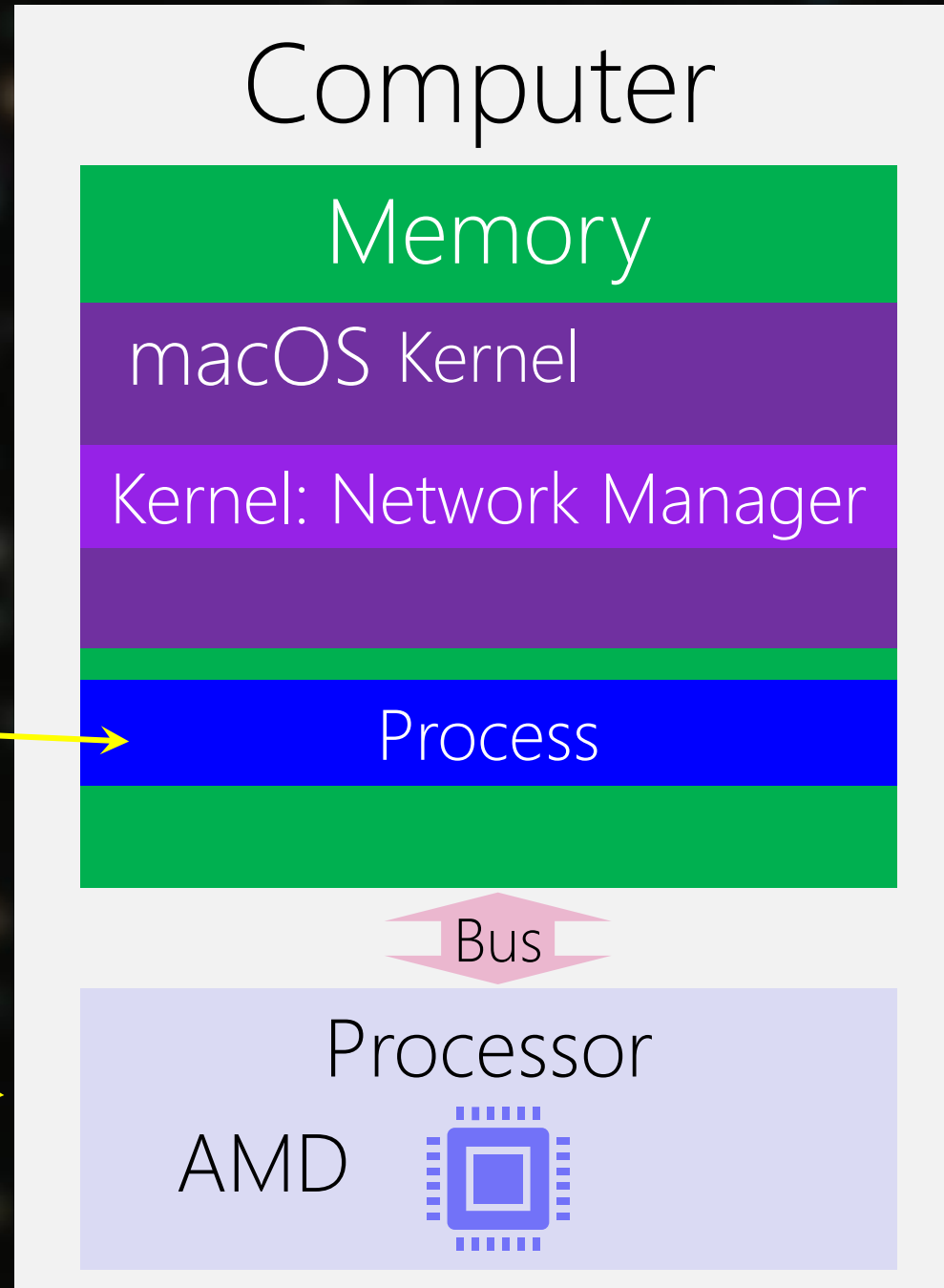
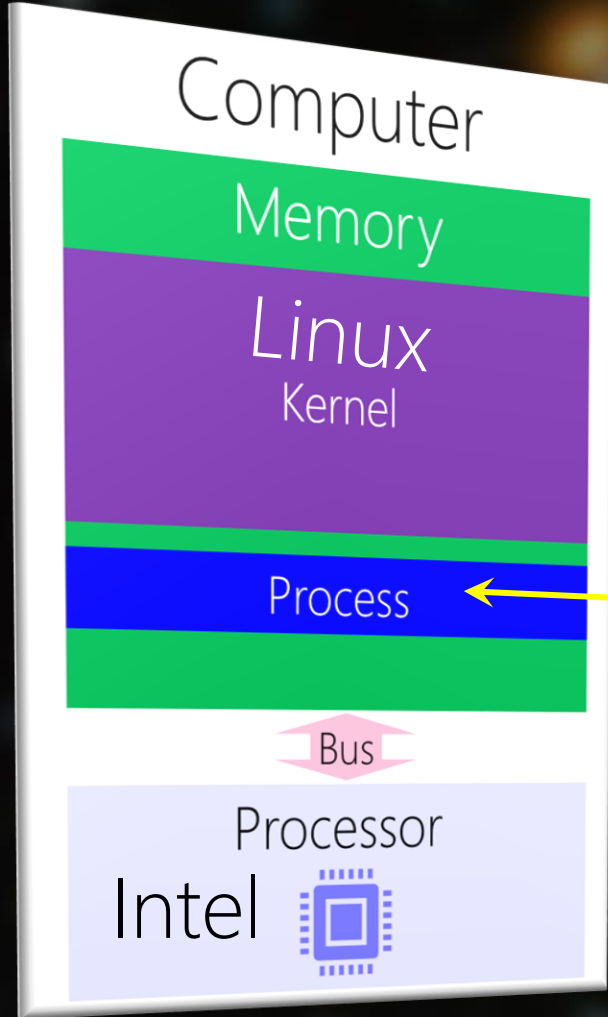
Different
Machines





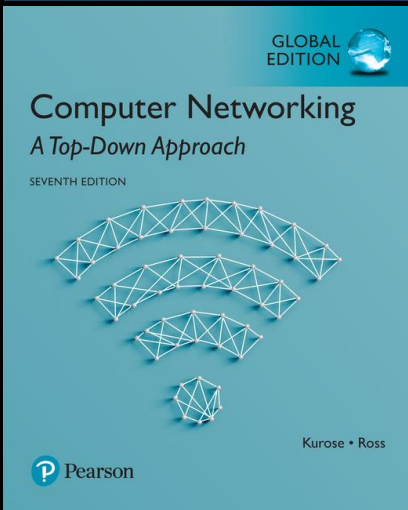
Different
OSs





Network IPC

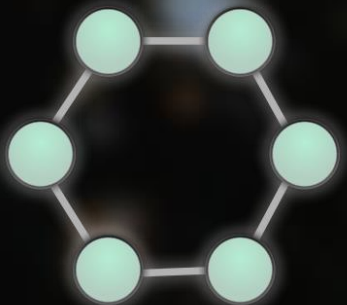
Physical Connection
Wired/Wireless



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Network Topology

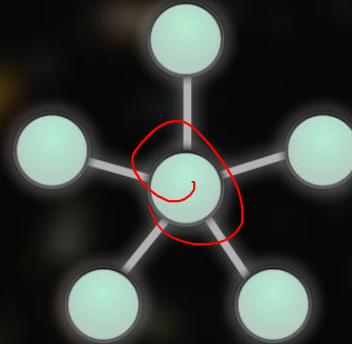
The way computer systems are connected.
By software control, we can convert one to another.



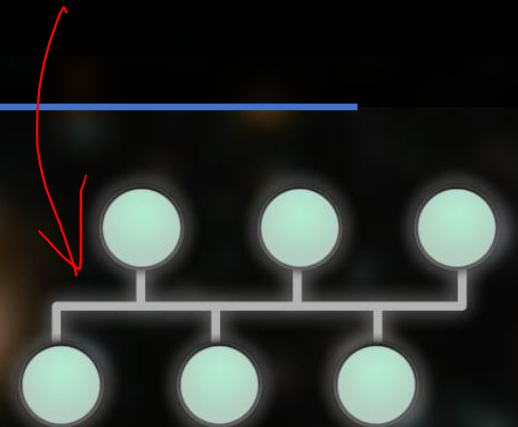
Ring



Line



Star



Bus

Network Protocol

Conversation Protocol between Computers

Language, Order (Who Talks, Who Listens), Addressing (Finding Each Other), ...

1975: 2-network communications between Stanford (US) and University College London (UK)

1977: 3-network between sites in the US, the UK, and Norway

Protocol X

There are other network protocols!
X is just a name. It does not represent all this protocol offers!

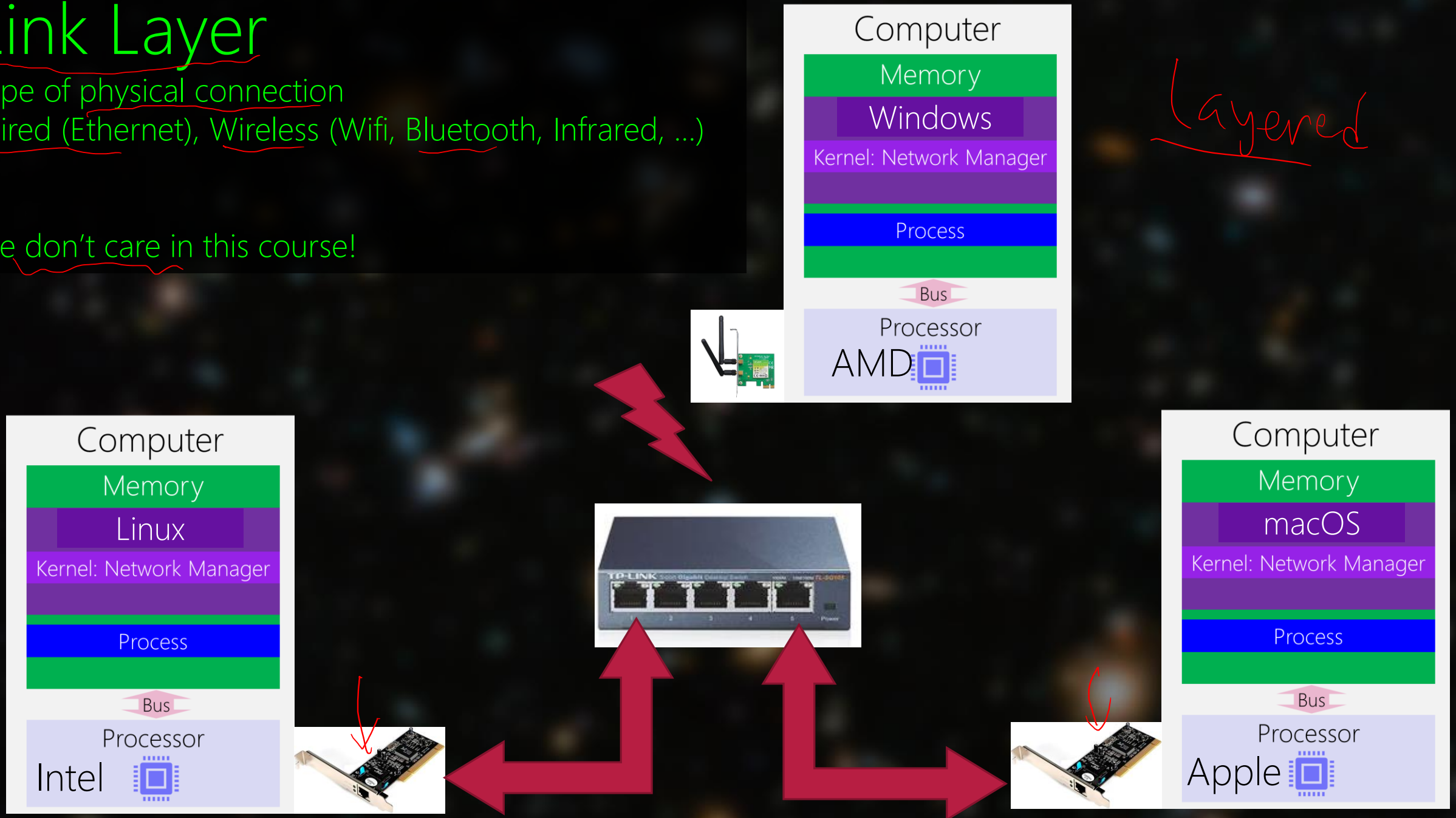
Link Layer

Type of physical connection

Wired (Ethernet), Wireless (Wifi, Bluetooth, Infrared, ...)

We don't care in this course!

Layered



Inter-Network → Internet (Network) Layer

→ Internet Protocol (IP)

Computers' Address, Names,

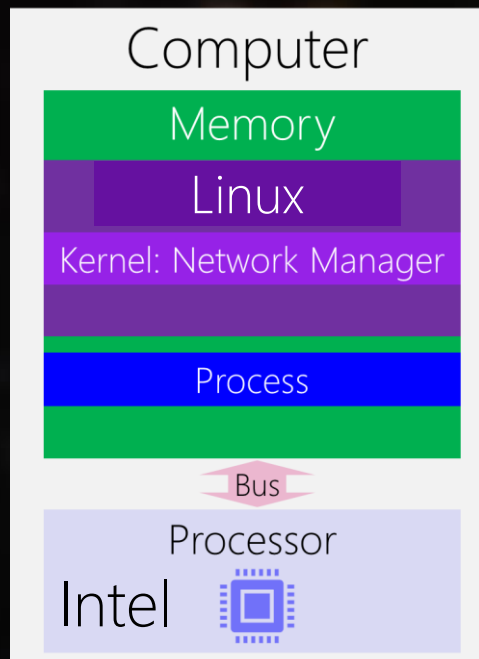
We use the addresses in this course.

We don't care about the rest.

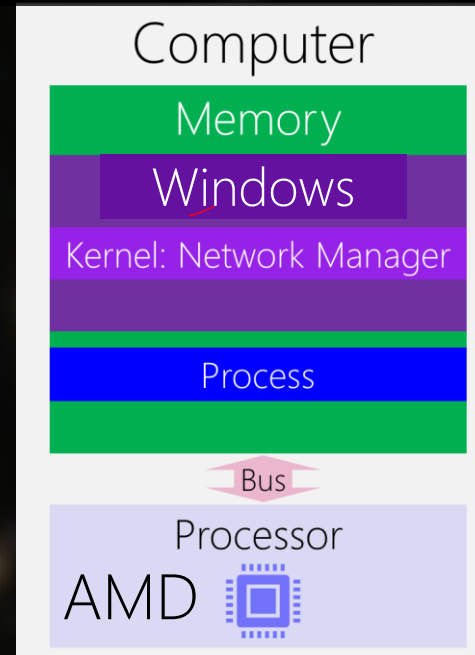
Why the format is like this?

Who assigns the addresses?

...

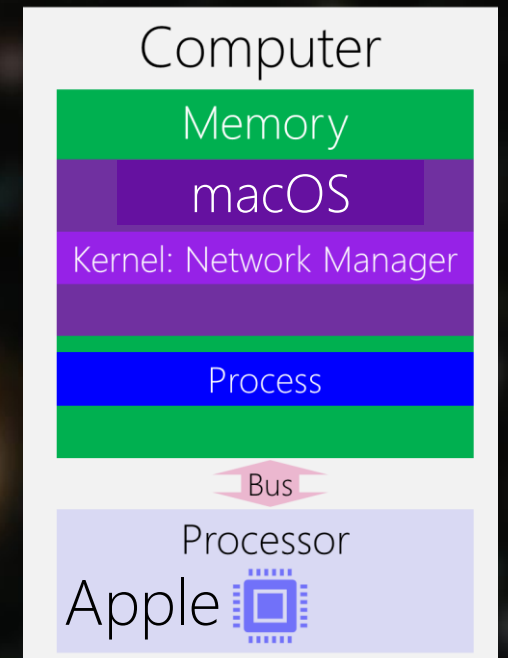


0-255
137.207.82.52



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137.207.140.134



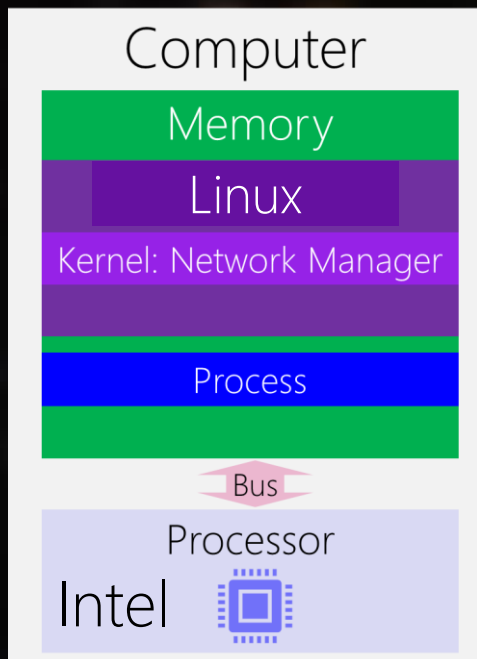
Transport Layer

Agreement on communication protocol

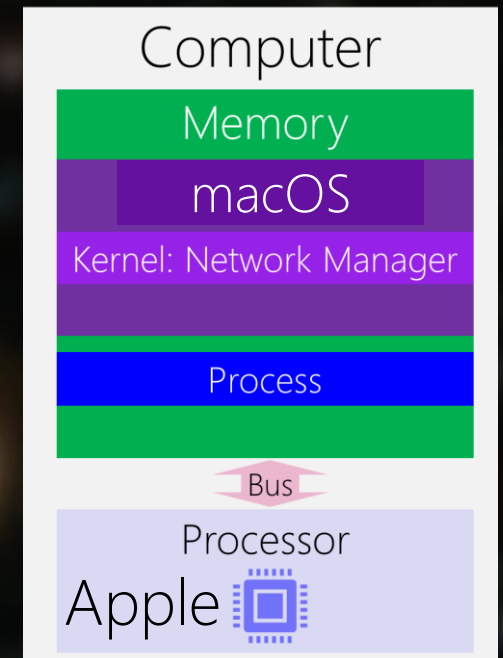
1) Connectionless == Sending a mail

User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

- No order (a mail may be sent sooner, but received later)
- No reliability (non-tracking mail.) Cannot see whether it is received or lost
- Each message is self-contained (Does not depend on previous or next mails)
- Simple and light (no overhead for sender, like PR card by government of Canada)



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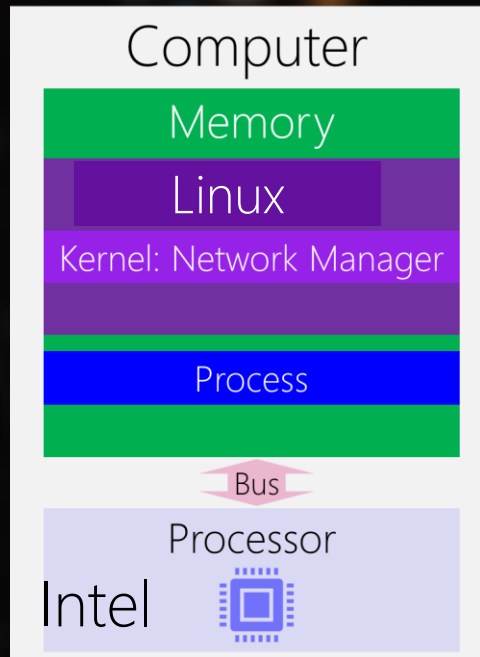
Transport Layer

Agreement on communication protocol

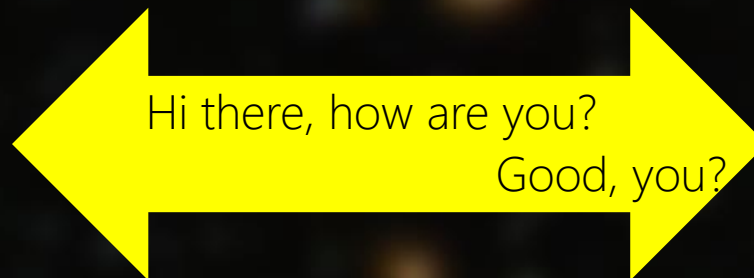
2) Connection-Oriented == Phone Call

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

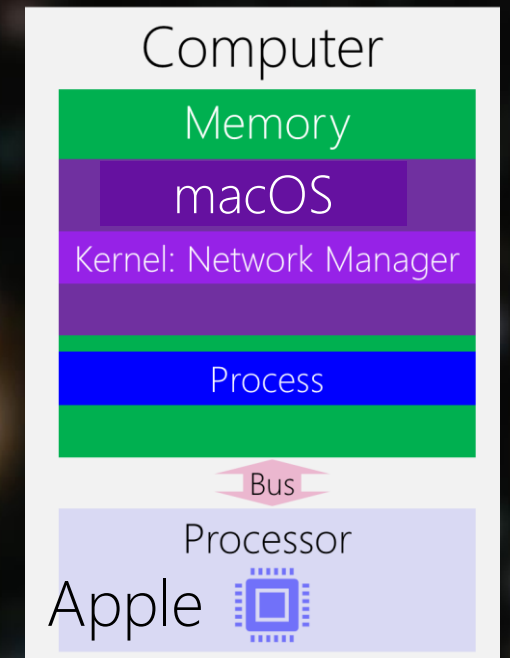
- Foremost setup a connection to make sure there is a receiver ready
- Ordered (when you talk on the phone, the words are transferred in order)
- Reliability (there is an active listener)
- Each packet depends on previous or next packets
- Connection overhead for sender



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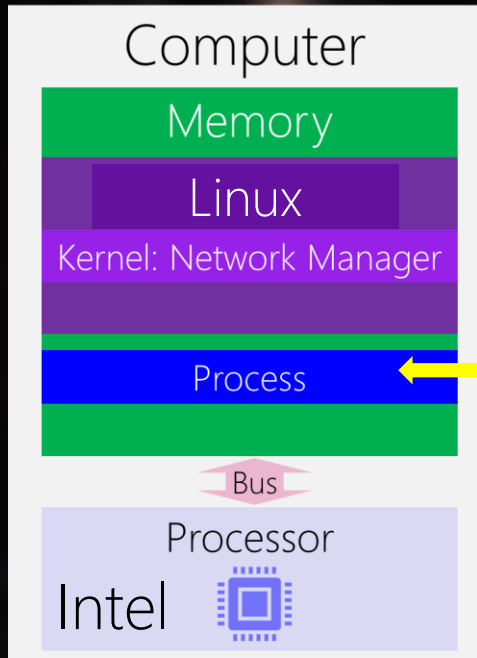
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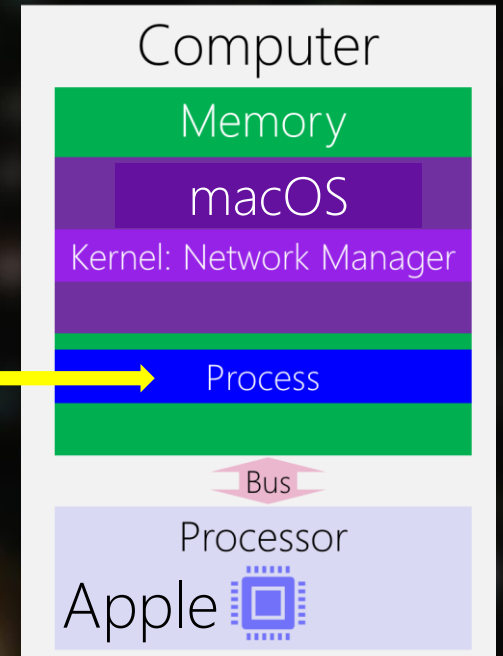
Application Layer

Any process that wants to communicate via the network

Transport layer
↓
Internet layer
↓
Link layer



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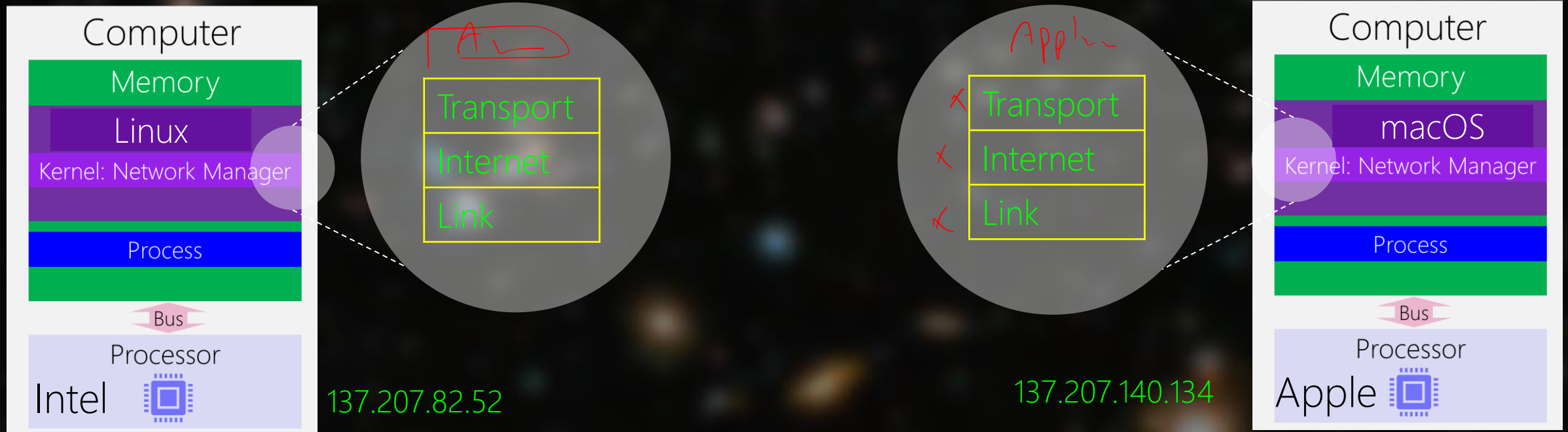


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Protocol TCP/IP

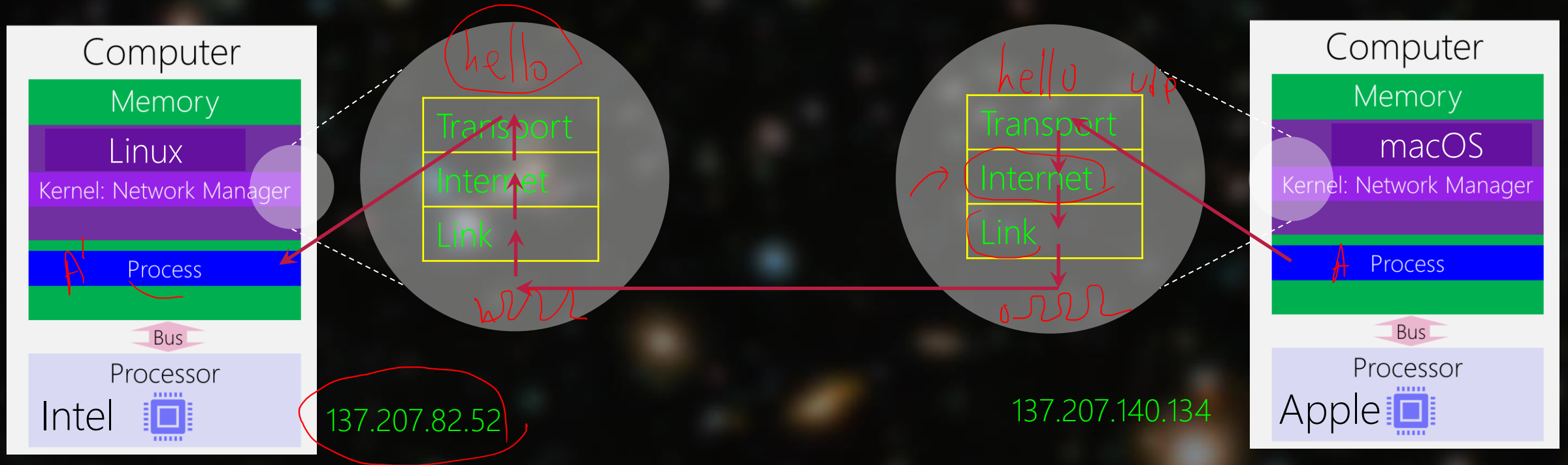


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TCP/IP is just a name. It does not represent all this protocol offers!



TCP/IP

Just a name for [Link | Internet | Transport | Application] network protocol



TCP/IP

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Like a file descriptor but to read/write to another computer
Socket Descriptor



Socket Programming

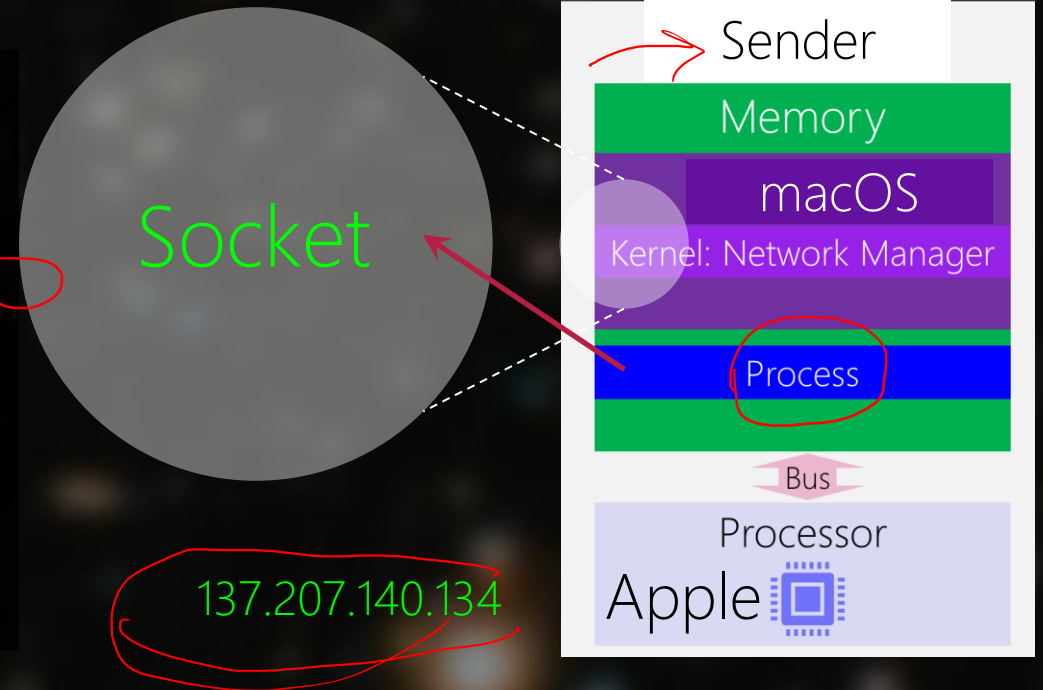
TCP/IP: UDP

TCP/IP: UDP at Sender

Connectionless Communication

Sending a mail

- 1) Creating Socket
- 2) Binding a Sender Address
(Optional) ←
- 3) Find the Receiver's Address
- 4) Send the Mail to the Receiver



TCP/IP: UDP at Sender

Connectionless Communication

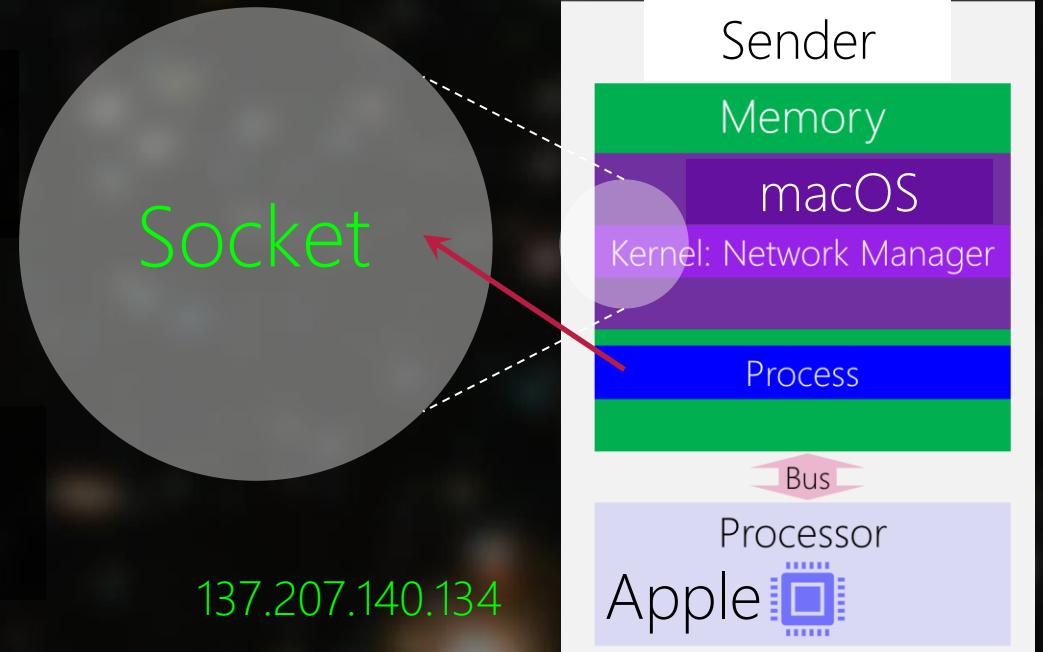
Sending a mail

1) Creating Socket

```
#include <sys/socket.h>  
int socket(int domain, int type, int protocol);  
Returns socket descriptor (sd) if OK, -1 on error
```

Connectionless

UDP
↓
TCP




```
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

int main(void) {
    int domain = AF_INET; // Network Protocol: TCP/IP
    int type = SOCK_DGRAM; // Connectionless
    int protocol = 0; // Default transport: UDP for Internet connectionless
```

Set up the type of network communication

Domain	Description
AF_INET	IPv4 Internet domain
AF_INET6	IPv6 Internet domain (optional in POSIX.1)
AF_UNIX	UNIX domain
AF_UNSPEC	unspecified

Figure 16.1 Socket communication domains

Type	Description
SOCK_DGRAM	fixed-length, connectionless, unreliable messages
SOCK_RAW	datagram interface to IP (optional in POSIX.1)
SOCK_SEQPACKET	fixed-length, sequenced, reliable, connection-oriented messages
SOCK_STREAM	sequenced, reliable, bidirectional, connection-oriented byte streams

Figure 16.2 Socket types

Protocol	Description
IPPROTO_IP	IPv4 Internet Protocol
IPPROTO_IPV6	IPv6 Internet Protocol (optional in POSIX.1)
IPPROTO_ICMP	Internet Control Message Protocol
IPPROTO_RAW	Raw IP packets protocol (optional in POSIX.1)
IPPROTO_TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
IPPROTO_UDP	User Datagram Protocol

Figure 16.3 Protocols defined for Internet domain sockets

```
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(void) {
    int domain = AF_INET; // Network Protocol: TCP/IP
    int type = SOCK_DGRAM; // Connectionless
    int protocol = 0; // Default transport: UDP for Internet connectionless

    int sender_sd; // socket descriptor ~= file descriptor
    sender_sd = socket(domain, type, protocol); ←
    if (sender_sd == -1) {
        printf("error in creating socket!\n");
        exit(1);
    }
    else
        printf("socket has created for sender with sd:%d\n", sender_sd);
```

Open a socket and receive a socket descriptor

Very similar to `open()` a file and file descriptor

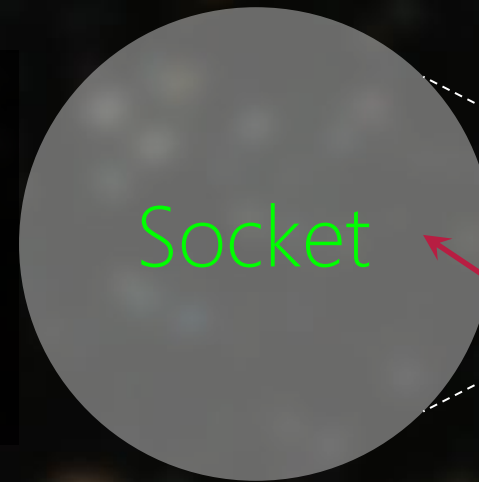
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TCP/IP: UDP at Sender

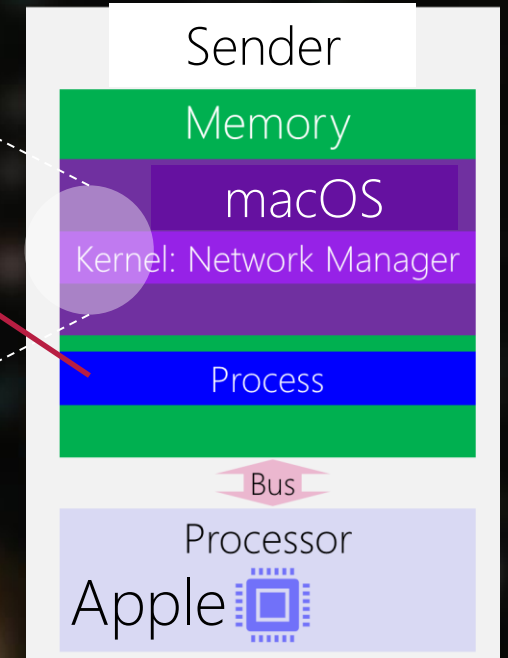
Connectionless Communication

Sending a mail

- 1) Creating Socket
- 2) Binding a Sender Address
(Optional)



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```
#include <sys/socket.h>
int bind(int sockfd, const struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t len);
```

Returns 0 if OK, -1 on error

```
//Binding to an address is optional for sender!  
struct in_addr sender_sin_address;  
sender_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.140.134"); //nslookup `hostname`
```

v4

IP Address of the computer system
[[0-255][0-255][0-255][0-255]]
4 bytes

There are many ways to know the IP of a computer, e.g.,

```
hfani@bravo:~$ nslookup `hostname`
```



```
//Binding to an address is optional for sender!  
struct in_addr sender_sin_address;  
sender_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.140.134 "); //nslookup `hostname`  
int sender_sin_port = htons(2000); //larger than 1024
```

htons(0); → random port by the kernel

In a computer system, there are multiple processes
To distinguish which process is the sender → PORT

End Point (Full Address) → IP:PORT

It is unique all around the world! Why?

```
//Binding to an address is optional for sender!  
struct in_addr sender_sin_address;  
sender_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.82.52");//nslookup `hostname`  
int sender_sin_port = htons(2000);//larger than 1024  
  
struct sockaddr_in sender_sin;  
sender_sin.sin_family = domain;  
sender_sin.sin_addr = sender_sin_address;  
sender_sin.sin_port = sender_sin_port;
```

The diagram illustrates the relationship between variables and struct fields in the provided code. Red circles highlight the following elements:

- `sender_sin_address` in the first line.
- `s_addr` in the second line.
- `sender_sin` in the fourth line.
- `sin_family` in the fifth line.
- `domain` in the fifth line.
- `sender_sin` in the sixth line.
- `sin_addr` in the sixth line.
- `sender_sin_address` in the sixth line.
- `sender_sin` in the seventh line.
- `sin_port` in the seventh line.
- `sender_sin_port` in the seventh line.

Red arrows indicate the flow of data or assignment:

- An arrow points from `sender_sin_address` (line 1) to `sender_sin` (line 4).
- An arrow points from `s_addr` (line 2) to `sin_addr` (line 6).
- An arrow points from `domain` (line 5) to `sin_family` (line 5).
- An arrow points from `sender_sin_address` (line 6) to `sin_addr` (line 6).
- An arrow points from `sender_sin_port` (line 7) to `sin_port` (line 7).

```
//Binding to an address is optional for sender!
struct in_addr sender_sin_address;
sender_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.82.52");//nslookup `hostname`
int sender_sin_port = htons(2000);//larger than 1024

struct sockaddr_in sender_sin;
sender_sin.sin_family = domain;
sender_sin.sin_addr = sender_sin_address;
sender_sin.sin_port = sender_sin_port;
int result = bind(sender_sq, (struct sockaddr *) &sender_sin, sizeof(sender_sin));
if (result == -1){
    printf("error in binding sender to the address:port = %d:%d\n", sender_sin.sin_addr.s_addr, sender_sin.sin_port);
    exit(1);
}
else
    printf("sender bound to the address:port = %d:%d\n", sender_sin.sin_addr.s_addr, sender_sin.sin_port);
```

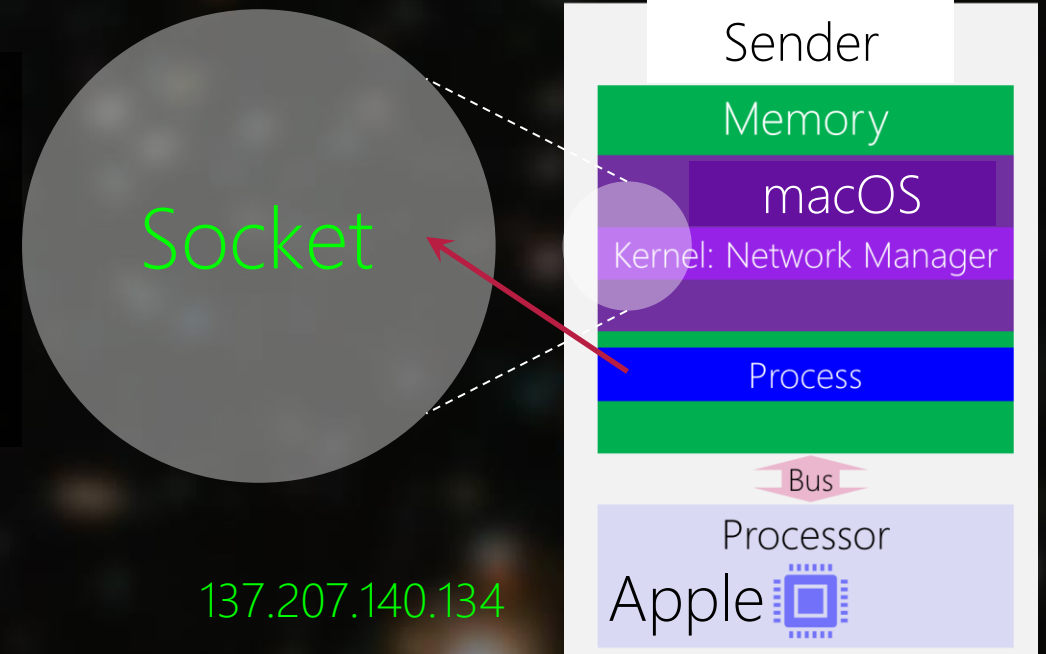
Socket ↔ IP:PORT

TCP/IP: UDP at Sender

Connectionless Communication

Sending a mail

- 1) Creating Socket
- 2) Binding to an Address (Optional)
- 3) Find the Receiver's Address



```
//Sending a message to the receiver at 137.207.82.52:2001
```

```
struct in_addr receiver_sin_address;
```

```
receiver_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.82.52");//nslookup `hostname` at the ta
```

```
int receiver_sin_port = htons(2001);//larger than 1024
```

```
struct sockaddr_in receiver_sin;
```

```
receiver_sin.sin_family = domain;//same network protocol
```

```
receiver_sin.sin_addr = receiver_sin_address;
```

```
receiver_sin.sin_port = receiver_sin_port;
```

IP:PORT of the Receiver

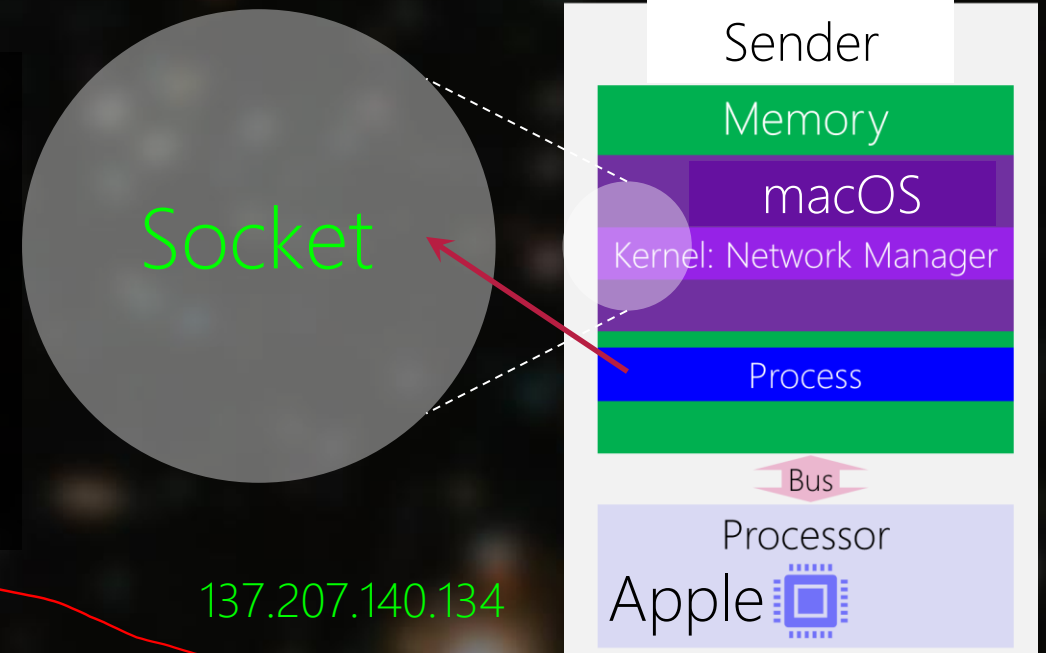
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TCP/IP: UDP at Sender

Connectionless Communication

Sending a mail

- 1) Creating Socket
- 2) Binding to an Address (Optional)
- 3) Find the Receiver's Address
- 4) Send the Mail to the Receiver



```
#include <sys/socket.h>
ssize_t sendto(int sockfd, const void *buf, size_t nbytes, int flags, const struct sockaddr *destaddr, socklen_t destlen);
```

Returns number of bytes sent if OK, -1 on error


```
char *mail = "a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!";  
result = sendto(sender_sd, mail, strlen(mail), 0, (struct sockaddr *)&receiver_sin, sizeof(receiver_sin));  
if (result == -1) {  
    printf("error in sending message to the receiver!\n");  
    exit(1);  
}  
else  
{  
    printf("a mail has sent to the receiver at address:port = %d:%d\n", receiver_sin.sin_addr.s_addr, receiver_sin.sin_port);  
    printf("the content of the mail is <%s>\n", mail);  
}
```

Message

Very similar to write() to a file

Receiver's IP:PORT

```
#include <stdlib.h>

#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
```

```
int main(void){
    int domain = AF_INET;//Network Protocol: TCP/IP
    int type = SOCK_DGRAM;//Connectionless
    int protocol = 0;//Default transport: UDP for Internet connectionless

    int sender_sd;//socket descriptor ~= file descriptor
    sender_sd = socket(domain, type, protocol);
    if (sender_sd == -1){
        printf("error in creating socket!\n");
        exit(1);
    }
    else
        printf("socket has created for sender with sd:%d\n", sender_sd);
```

1) Creating Socket

```
//Binding to an address is optional for sender!
struct in_addr sender_sin_address;
sender_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.82.52");//nslookup `hostname`
int sender_sin_port = htons(2000);//larger than 1024

struct sockaddr_in sender_sin;
sender_sin.sin_family = domain;
sender_sin.sin_addr = sender_sin_address;
sender_sin.sin_port = sender_sin_port;
int result = bind(sender_sd, (struct sockaddr *) &sender_sin, sizeof(sender_sin));
if (result == -1){
    printf("error in binding sender to the address:port = %d:%d\n", sender_sin.sin_addr, sender_sin.sin_port);
    exit(1);
}
else
    printf("sender bound to the address:port = %d:%d\n", sender_sin.sin_addr, sender_sin.sin_port);
```

2) Binding a Sender Address (Optional)

```
//Sending a message to the receiver at 137.207.82.52:2001
struct in_addr receiver_sin_address;
receiver_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.82.52");//nslookup `hostname` at the target machine (here is the same as sender)
int receiver_sin_port = htons(2001);//larger than 1024

struct sockaddr_in receiver_sin;
receiver_sin.sin_family = domain;//same network protocol
receiver_sin.sin_addr = receiver_sin_address;
receiver_sin.sin_port = receiver_sin_port;
```

3) Find the Receiver's Address

```
char *mail = "a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!";

result = sendto(sender_sd, mail, strlen(mail), 0, (struct sockaddr *)&receiver_sin, sizeof(receiver_sin));
if (result == -1){
    printf("error in sending message to the receiver!\n");
    exit(1);
}
else
{
    printf("a mail has sent to the receiver at address:port = %d:%d\n", receiver_sin.sin_addr, receiver_sin.sin_port);
    printf("the content of the mail is <%s>\n", mail);
}
```

4) Send the Mail to the Receiver

```
hfani@bravo:~$ ./sender
```

```
socket has created for sender with sd:3
```

```
sender bound to the address:port = -2037592183 :53255
```

```
a mail has sent to the receiver at address:port = 877842313:53511
```

```
the content of the mail is <a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!>
```

```
hfani@bravo:~$ ./sender
socket has created for sender with sd:3
sender bound to the address:port = -2037592183 :53255
a mail has sent to the receiver at address:port = 877842313:53511
the content of the mail is <a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!>
```

Why IP:PORT does not look like familiar?

Sender's IP:PORT = 137.207.140.134:2000

Receiver's IP:PORT = 137.207.82.52:2001

```
hfani@bravo:~$ ./sender
socket has created for sender with sd:3
sender bound to the address:port = -2037592183 :53255
a mail has sent to the receiver at address:port = 877842313:53511
the content of the mail is <a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!>
```

But there no receiver!
What happen to the mail?!>

TCP/IP

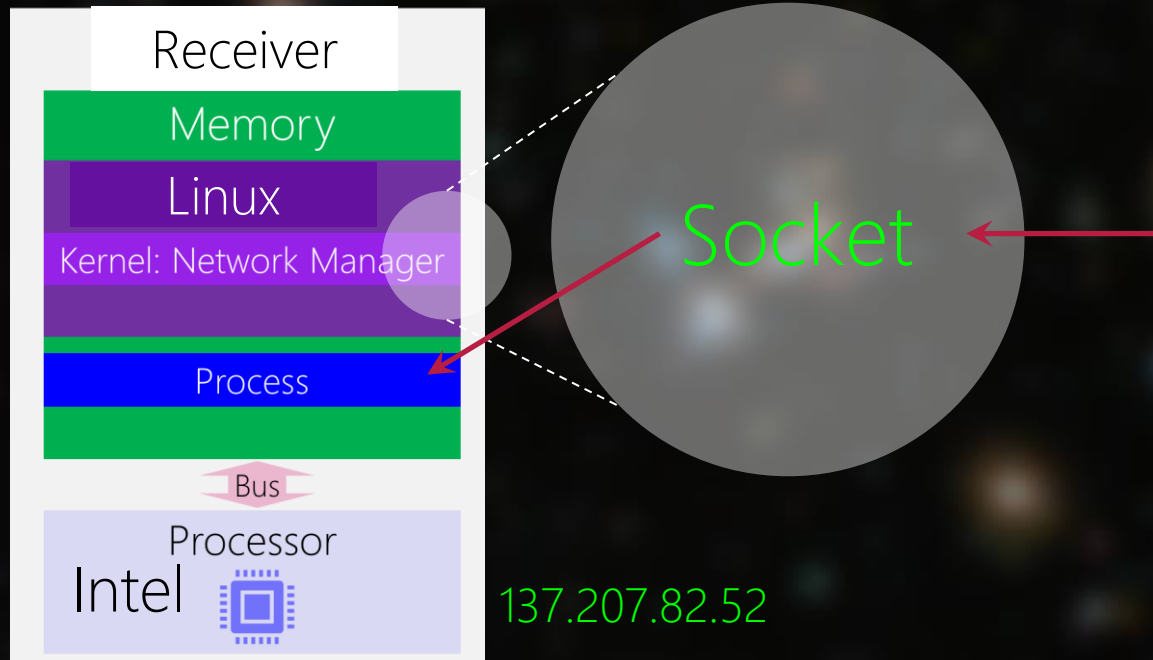
Just a name for [Link | Internet | Transport | Application] network protocol



TCP/IP: UDP at Receiver

Connectionless Communication

Sending a mail

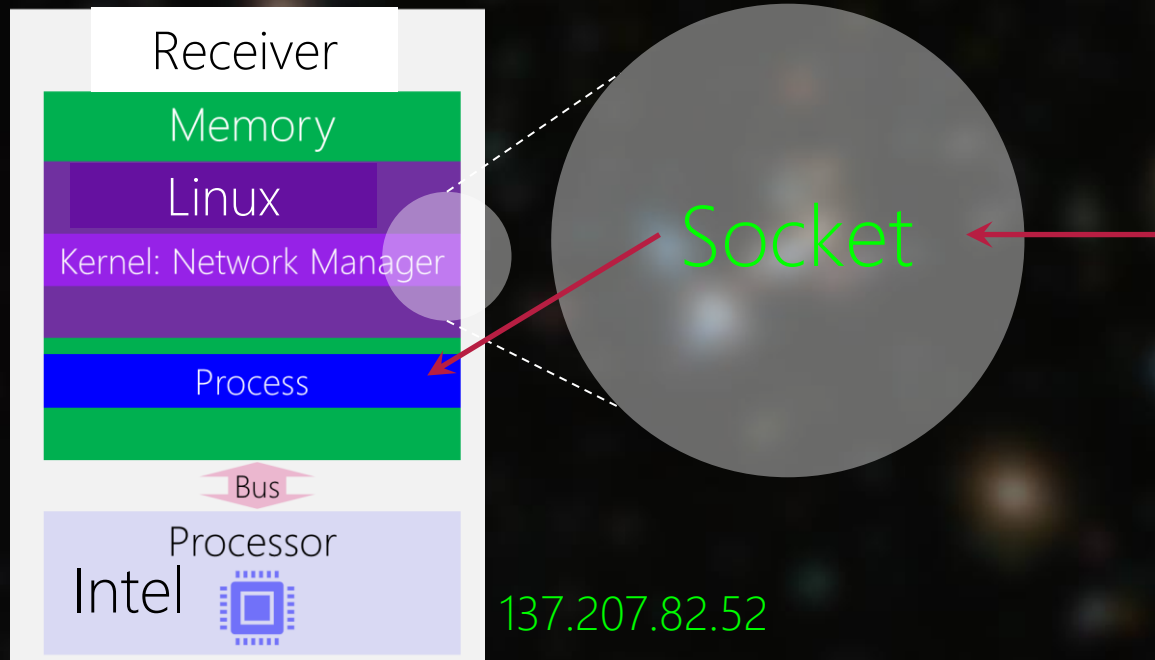


- 1) Creating Socket
- 2) Binding to an Address (MUST)
- 3) Wait to receive a mail
- 4) Find the Sender's Address (Optional)
- 5) Read the Mail from the Sender

TCP/IP: UDP at Receiver

Connectionless Communication

Sending a mail



1) Creating Socket


```
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
```

```
int main(void) {
```

```
    int domain = AF_INET; // Network Protocol: TCP/IP
    int type = SOCK_DGRAM; // Connectionless
    int protocol = 0; // Default transport: UDP for Internet connectionless
```

TCP/IP

Network Protocol

Connectionless / Connection-oriented

UDP

TCP

Set up the type of network communication

```
int receiver_sd;//socket descriptor ~= file descriptor
receiver_sd = socket(domain, type, protocol); ←
if (receiver_sd == -1){
    printf("error in creating socket!\n");
    exit(1);
}
else
    printf("socket has created for receiver with sd:%d\n", receiver_sd);
```

Open a socket and receive a socket descriptor

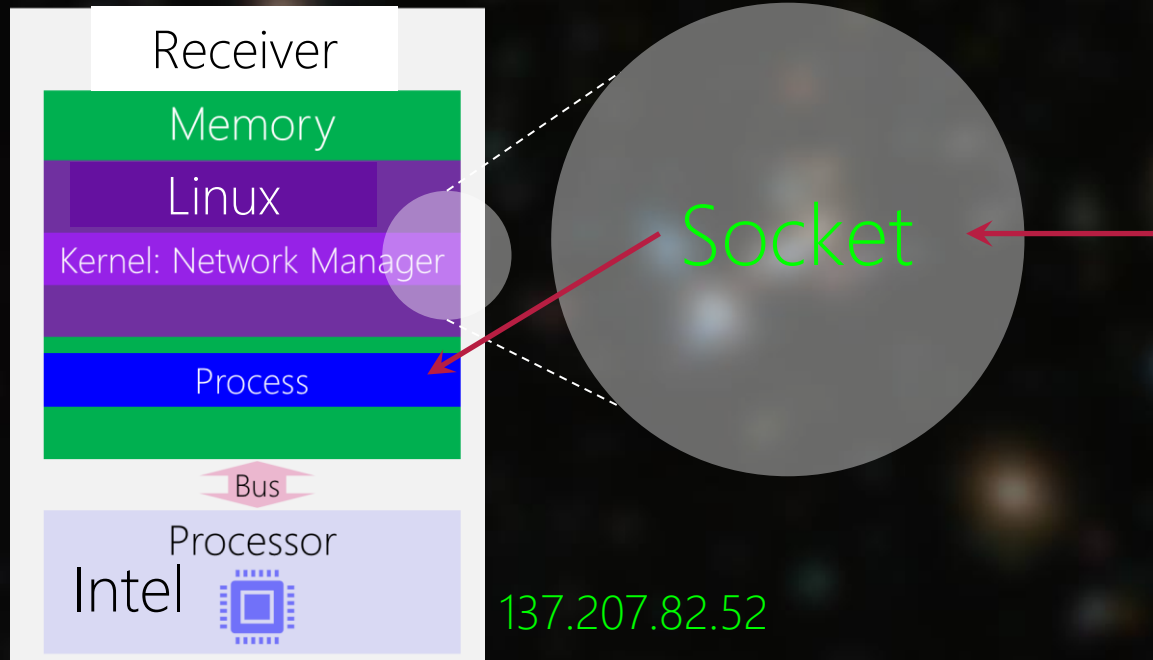
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TCP/IP: UDP at Receiver

Connectionless Communication

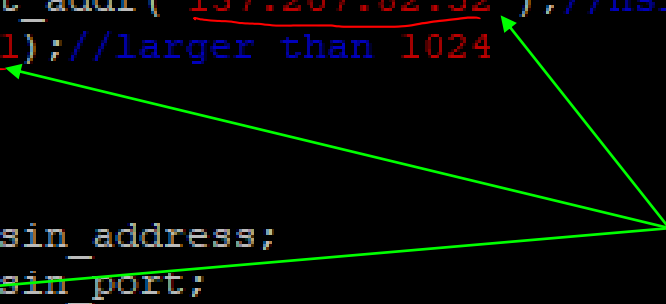
Sending a mail



- 1) Creating Socket
- 2) Binding to an Address (MUST)


```
//Binding to an address is a must for receiver!
struct in_addr receiver_sin_address;
receiver_sin_address.s_addr = inet_addr("137.207.82.52");//nslookup `hostname`
int receiver_sin_port = htons(2001);//larger than 1024

struct sockaddr_in receiver_sin;
receiver_sin.sin_family = domain;
receiver_sin.sin_addr = receiver_sin_address;
receiver_sin.sin_port = receiver_sin_port;
int result = bind(receiver_sd, (struct sockaddr *) &receiver_sin, sizeof(receiver_sin));
if (result == -1){
    printf("error in binding receiver to the address:port = %d:%d\n", receiver_sin.sin_addr, receiver_sin.sin_port);
    exit(1);
}
else
    printf("receiver bound to the address:port = %d:%d\n", receiver_sin.sin_addr, receiver_sin.sin_port);
```



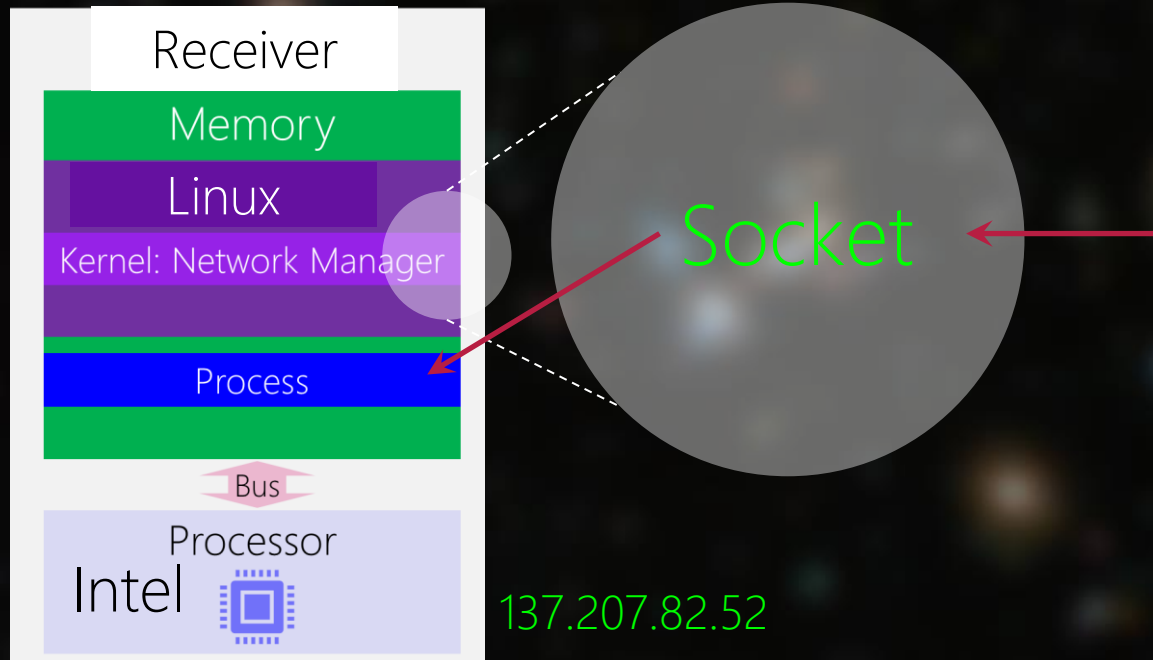
Very similar to the sender's binding of socket to IP:PORT

But for receiver it is a MUST. Why?

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Sending a mail



- 1) Creating Socket
- 2) Binding to an Address (MUST)
- 3) ~~Wait~~ to receive a mail
Pause

```
#include <sys/socket.h>
ssize_t recvfrom(int sockfd, void *restrict buf, size_t len, int flags, struct sockaddr *restrict addr, socklen_t *restrict addrlen) ;
```

Returns length of message in bytes, -1 on error

```
//wait for a message ...
struct sockaddr_in sender_sin; //I want to know who send the message
char mailbox[100];
int sender_sin_len;
setbuf(stdout, NULL);
while(1)
{
    result = recvfrom(receiver_sd, mailbox, sizeof(mailbox), 0, (struct sockaddr *) &sender_sin,
    if (result == -1) {
        printf("error in opening mail from sender!\n");
        exit(1);
    }
    else
        printf("the content of mail is: %s", mailbox);
}
```

Pause

~~Wait~~

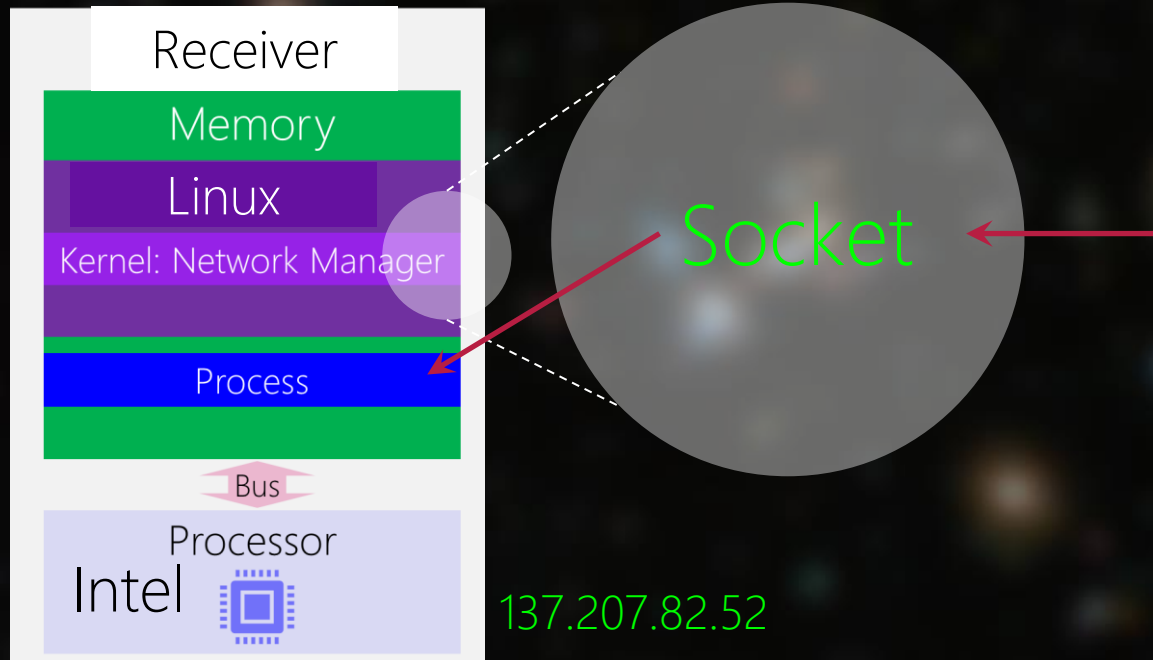
Wait to receive a mail at socket
Very similar to read() from a file

It is a blocking call! It pauses until a new mail

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- 4) Find the Sender's Address (Optional)

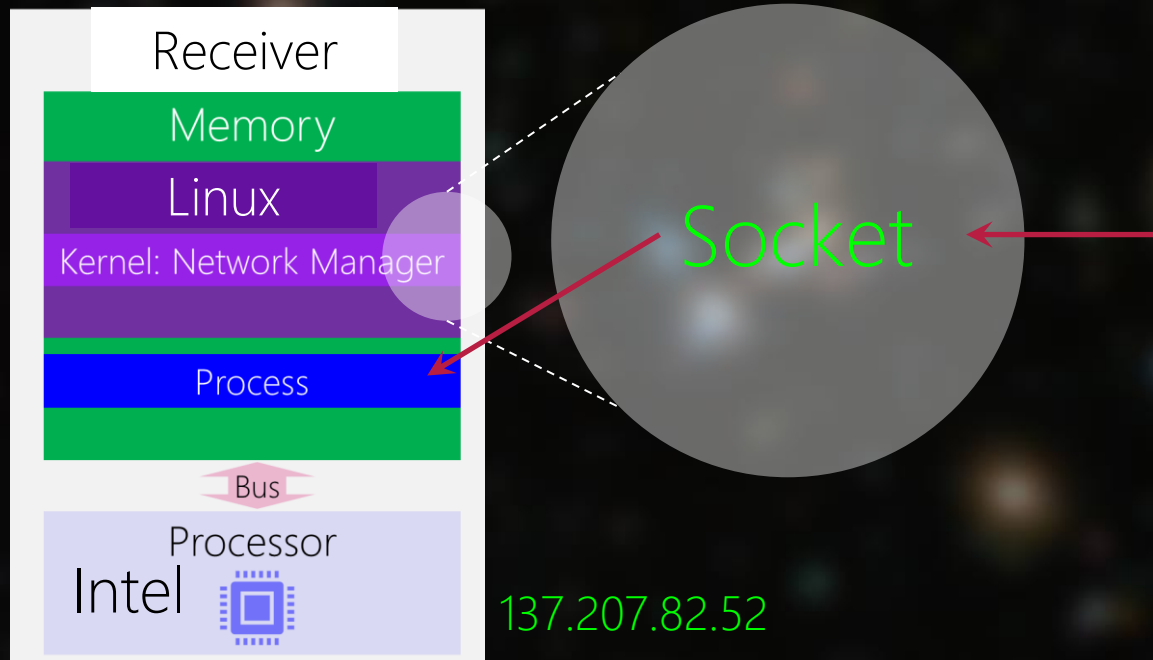
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    if (result == -1){
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    }
    else
        printf("the content of mail is: %s", mailbox);
}
```

You can ignore but you can know who is the sender and decide
Sender's IP:PORT

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- 5) Read the Mail from the Sender


```
//wait for a message ...
struct sockaddr_in sender_sin; //I want to know who send the message
char mailbox[100];
int sender_sin_len;
setbuf(stdout, NULL);
while(1)
{
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    if (result == -1){
        printf("error in opening mail from sender!\n");
        exit(1);
    }
    else
        printf("the content of mail is: %s", mailbox);
}
```

Like the read() buffer for file

```
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while(1)
{
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    }
    else
        printf("the content of mail is: %s", mailbox);
}
}
```


The diagram illustrates the execution flow of the provided C code. A red bracket on the left side of the `while(1)` loop indicates that the code enters an infinite loop. A green arrow originates from the `exit(1);` statement within the `if` block and points to the `//wait for a message ...` comment at the top of the code, signifying that the process terminates and then restarts the waiting phase.

Usually, receiver never dies. It is waiting to receive a new mail forever.

A better way to avoid receiver process waste time on waiting would be?

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}
```


fork() and give the task of reading mails to the child!
The receiver then does other important tasks.

 hfani@bravo: ~

```
hfani@bravo:~$ ./receiver
```


```
socket has created for receiver with sd:3
```

```
receiver bound to the address:port = 877842313:53511
```


 /cygdrive/c

```
Administrator@hfani /cygdrive/c
```

```
$ ./sender
```

 hfani@bravo: ~

```
hfani@bravo:~$ ./receiver
socket has created for receiver with sd:3
receiver bound to the address:port = 877842313:53511
the content of mail is: a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!
```

 /cygdrive/c

```
Administrator@hfani /cygdrive/c
$ ./sender
socket has created for sender with sd:3
sender bound to the address:port = -2037592183:53255
a mail has sent to the receiver at address:port = 877842313:53511
the content of the mail is <a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!>
```

```
Administrator@hfani /cygdrive/c
$ |
```

```
hfani@bravo: ~  
hfani@bravo:~$ ./receiver  
socket has created for receiver with sd:3  
receiver bound to the address:port = 877842313:53511  
the content of mail is: a 10 percent promotion for candian tire!the content of m  
ail is: a 10 percent promotion for candian tire![]
```

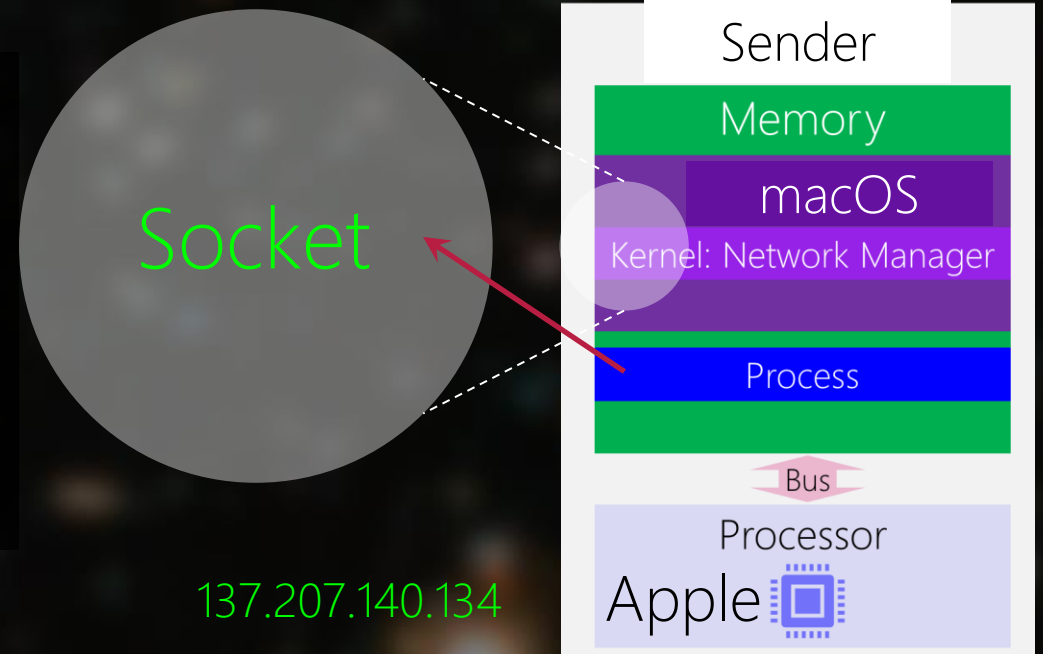
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```

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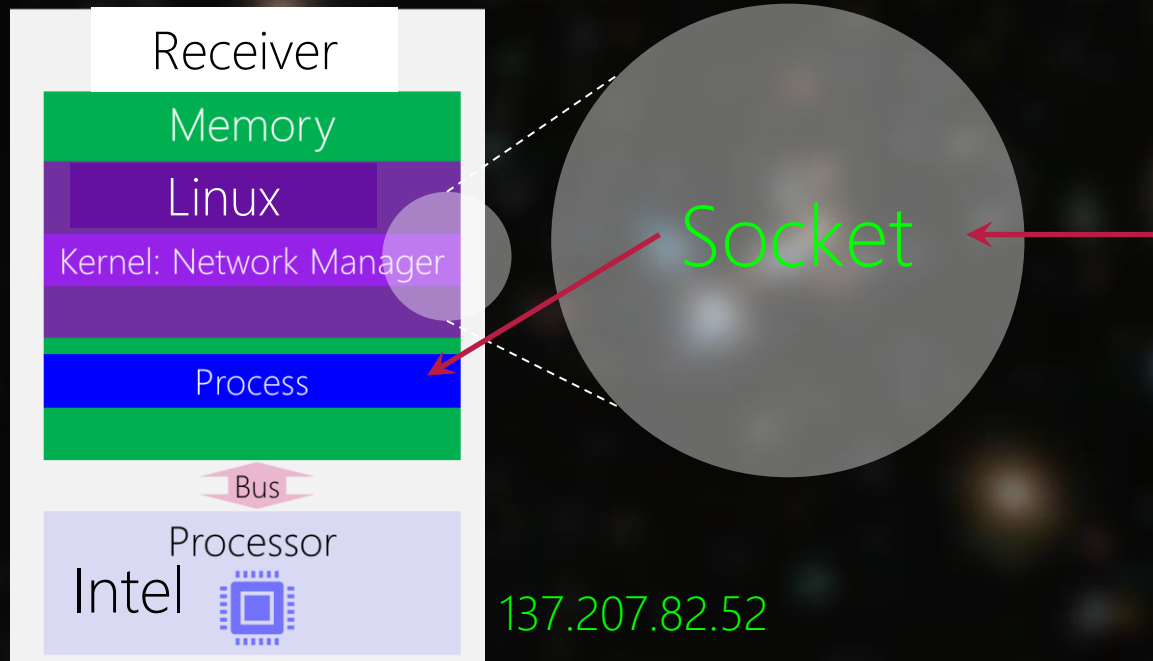
- 1) `socket()`
- 2) `bind()`
- 3) Receiver's Address
- 4) `sendto()`



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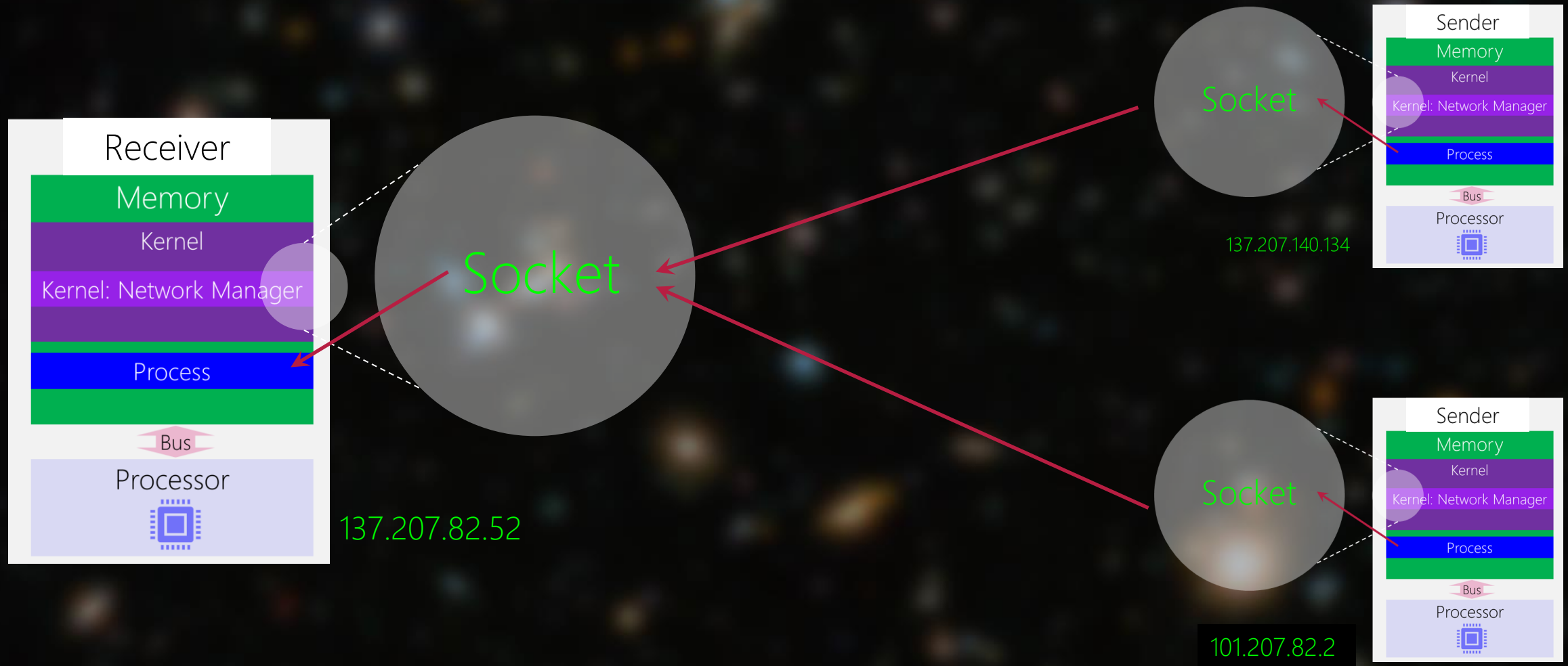
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- 2) `bind()`
- 3) `recvfrom()`
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- 5) Read the Mail from the Sender

A deep-field astronomical image showing a vast field of galaxies in various colors (yellow, orange, blue, red) against a black background. The galaxies are of different shapes and sizes, some appearing as bright, fuzzy blobs and others as more distinct, elongated structures. Two horizontal blue lines are positioned above and below the text.

If **sender** does not bind its address, who handles it?

TCP/IP : UDP

Many senders, single receiver





Is it a good practice to hardcode the IP:PORT in receiver?

Socket Programming

TCP/IP: TCP

Connection-Oriented, Reliable, Ordered

Lab 11