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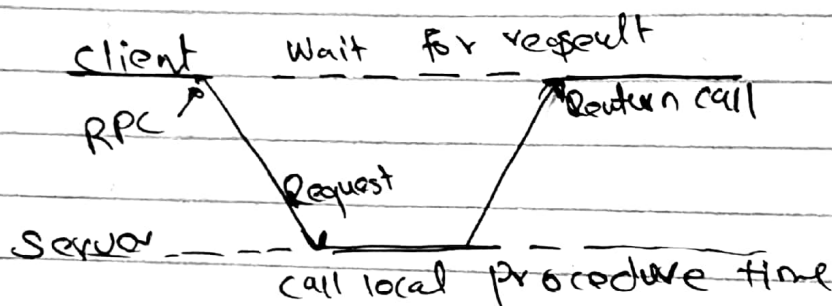
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Remote Procedure Call

RPC is a protocol that one program can use to request a service from a program located in another computer on a network without having to understand the network detail.

→ RPC uses the client server model



→ Its Main Include five elements:

↳ The client

→ The client stub

→ The RPC Routine (RPC communication package)

↳ The server stub

↳ The server

* The client

→ It is user process which initiate a RPC. The client make a perfectly normal call that involves a corresponding procedure in

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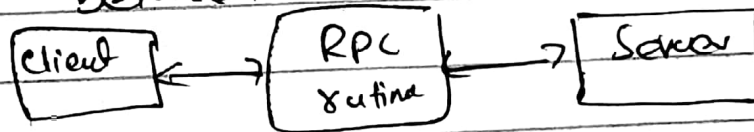
the client stub.

* The client stub

- ↳ On receipt of a request a requirement into a message and asks to RPC Runtime to send.
- ↳ on receipt of a result it unpacks the results and passes it to client.

* RPC Runtime

- ↳ It handles transmission of message between client and server.



* The server stub

- ↳ It unpacks a call request and make a perfectly normal call to invoke the appropriate procedure in the server.

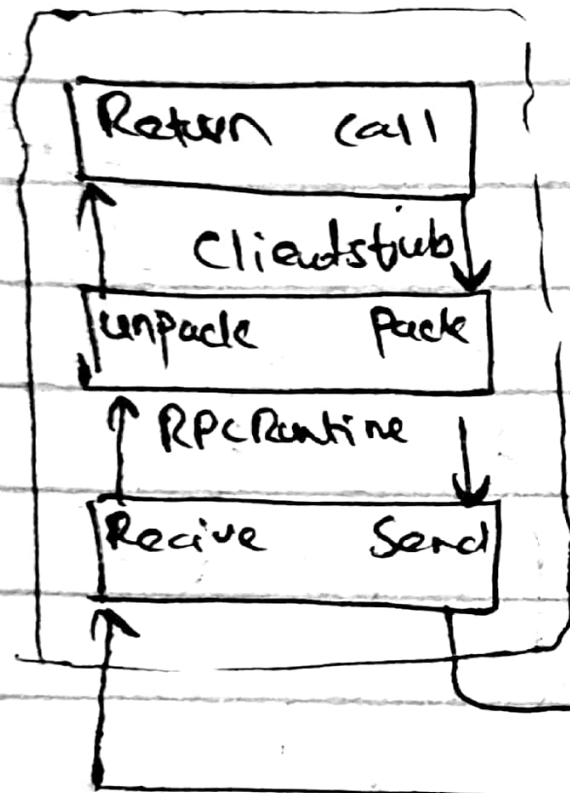
* The server

- ↳ It execute an appropriate procedure and return the results from a server stub

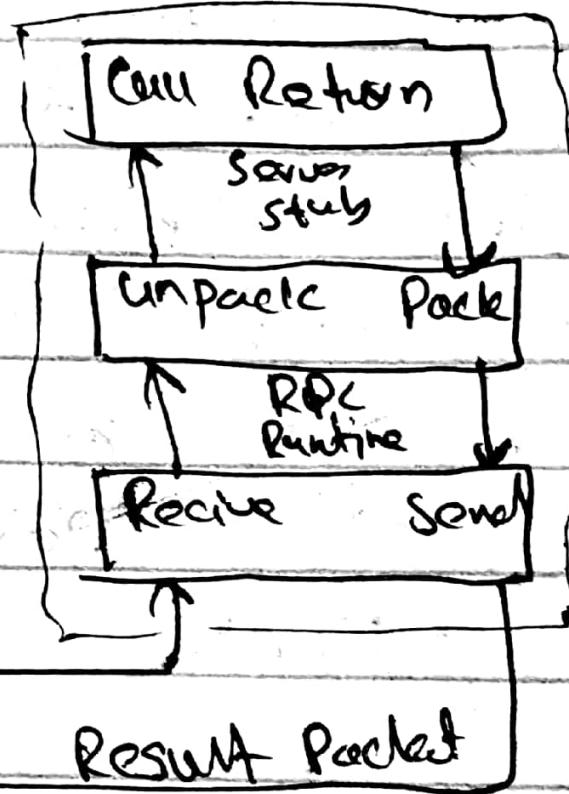
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Client m/c



Server m/c

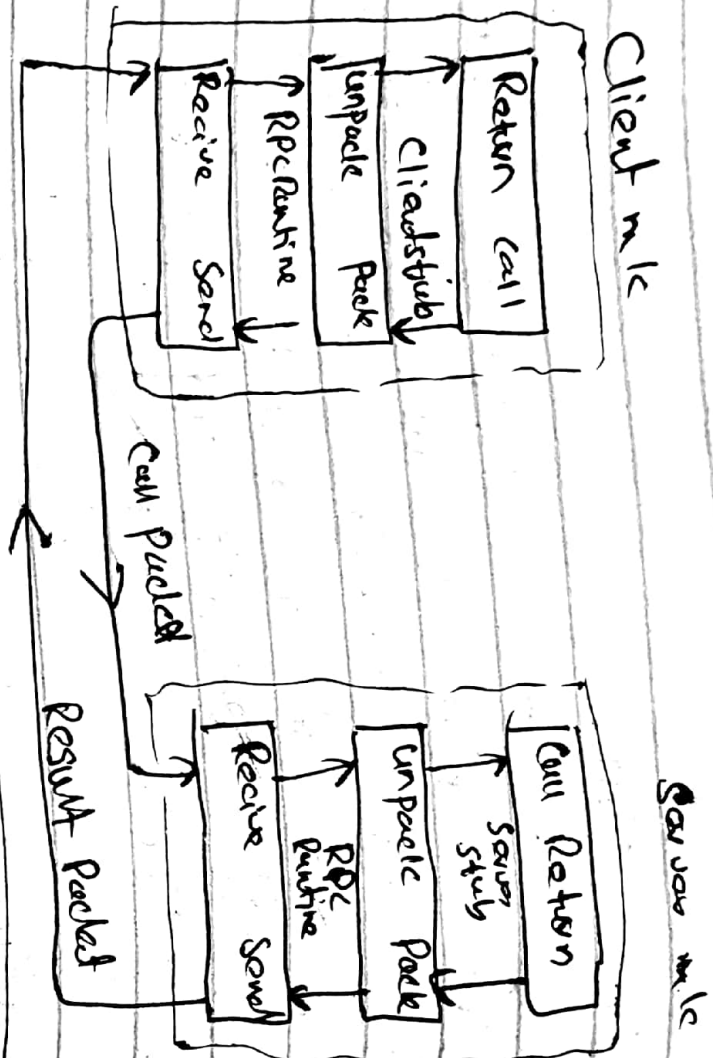


Call packet

Result packet

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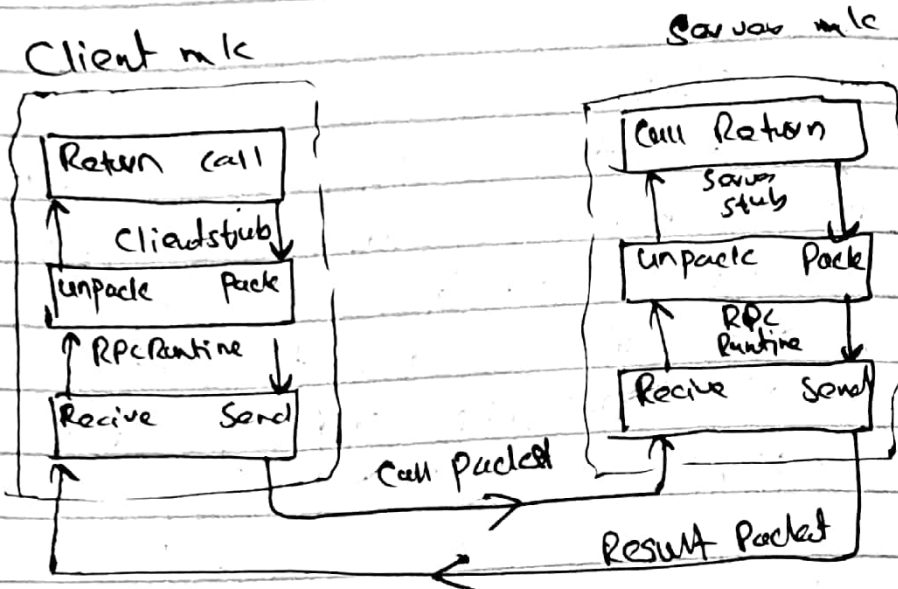
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How they are Resolved

RPC system define machine Independent representation of data. One such representation is known as external data representation (XDR).
On the client side, parameter marshalling involves converting the machine dependent data into XDR before they are sent into the server.
On the server side, XDR data are unmarshalled and converted to the machine dependent representation for the server.