

CSC309

Programming on the Web

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Introduction

Internet and the programmable web

Internet

- A connection of computer networks using the Internet Protocol (IP)
- Began as a US Department of Defense network called ARPANET (1969)
- Opened to commercial interests in late 80s

Key Properties

- Subnetworks can stand on their own
- Computers join/leave dynamically
- Built on open standards (IETF)
- Lack of centralized control (ICANN)

Internet Protocol (IP)

- Simple protocol for attempting to send data between two computers
- Each device has a 32-bit IP address written as four 8-bit numbers (0-255)
 - Ask Google: “What is my IP”
 - Your local IP: `ipconfig`(windows) or `ifconfig` (Mac/Linux)

Domain Name System (DNS)

- A set of servers that map written names to IP addresses
 - www.cs.toronto.edu -- 128.100.3.30
- Many systems maintain local cache
 - c:\windows\system32\drivers\etc\hosts
 - Mac: /private/etc/hosts
 - Linux: /etc/hosts

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

- Guaranteed message delivery
- Multiplexing: multiple programs using same IP address
 - port 80: web browser
 - port 443: secure browsing
 - port 25: email
 - port 22: ssh

World Wide Web

- Invented by Tim Berners-Lee in 1989
- CERN: looking for a way to *share* information
- Collection of standard protocols for moving content
- Managed by the W3C

Hypertext Transport Protocol (HTTP)

- Commands understood by web browser and web server
- Runs on top of TCP/IP
- Two phase protocol
 - Request \Rightarrow Response

Uniform Resource Locator

- URL: an identified for the location of a document on the web

`<scheme name> :`

`<hierarchical part>`

`[? <query>] [# <fragment>]`

Content Encoding

- Hypertext Markup Language (HTML)
- Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)
- MIME: Internet media types

Programmable Web

- 80s - TCP/IP gained traction - various low level programs that preceded the web.
Build your own app using sockets
- 90s - Web Browsers - Javascript - CGI

- late 90s - Java, XML, SOAP, Web Services
- 00s - the science of sessions
- RESTful
- AJAX