

## NP II

Websockets



#### Introduction

#### Websockets

- Protocol originaly proposed by HTML5 for bidirectional full-duplex communication in Web applications
- Defined by IETF (<u>RFC 6455</u>, 12/2011)
- API defined by W3C (<u>HTML living standard</u>)

## Why Websockets?

- HTTP/1.1
  - Half-duplex
  - Unidirectional
    - Client requests, server responds
  - Designed for data transfer and other static resources
  - Stateless
  - Complex, inneficient



#### **HTTP Limitations**

- Full-duplex emulation with HTTP
  - AJAX (Asynchronous JavaScript + XML)
    - Contents can change without changing all webpage

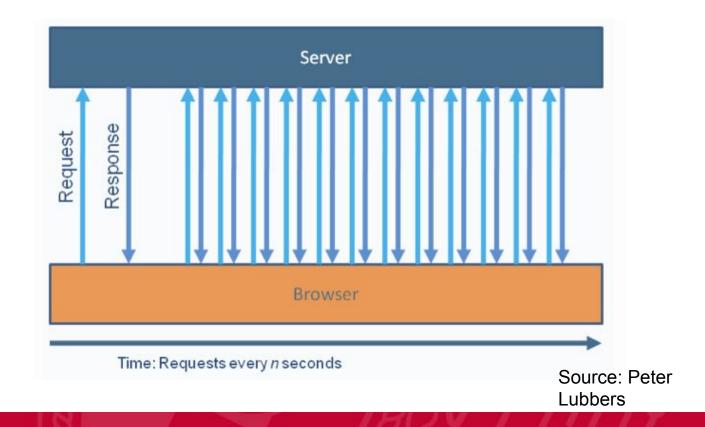


- Low-latency perception for the user
- COMET
  - Technique for push on the server side
  - No standard, too complex



### **HTTP limitations**

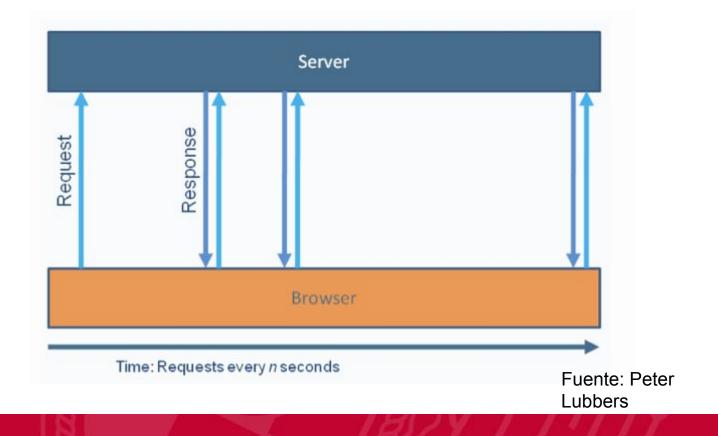
- Polling
  - Used in AJAX to simulate real-time
  - Client sends request at regular intervals





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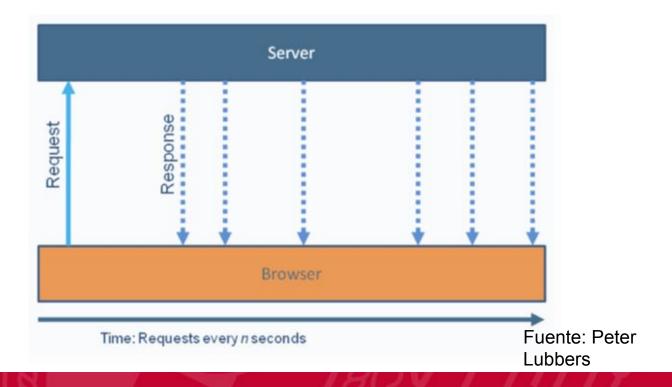
- Long Polling (aka Asynchronous polling)
  - Client sends one request and server retains it open for a while





### **HTTP limitations**

- Streaming
  - More efficient, but some problems
    - Proxies and firewalls
    - Response accumulation and necessity of flushes





#### **Overhed HTTP**

# • Ej. Headers HTTP (client)

```
GET /PollingStock//PollingStock HTTP/1.1
```

Host: localhost:8080

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows; U; Windows NT 5.1; en-US; rv:1.9.1.5)

Gecko/20091102 Firefox/3.5.5

Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,\*/\*;q=0.8

Accept-Language: en-us

Accept-Encoding: gzip,deflate

Accept-Charset: ISO-8859-1,utf-8;q=0.7,\*;q=0.7

Keep-Alive: 300

Connection: keep-alive

Referer: http://localhost:8080/PollingStock/

Cookie: showInheritedConstant=false; showInheritedProtectedConstant=false;

showInheritedProperty=false; showInheritedProtectedProperty=false;

showInheritedMethod=false; showInheritedProtectedMethod=false;

showInheritedEvent=false; showInheritedStyle=false; showInheritedEffect=false;



#### **Overhead HTTP**

## • Ej. Headers HTTP (server)

HTTP/1.x 200 OK

X-Powered-By: Servlet/2.5

Server: Sun Java System Application Server 9.1\_02 Content-Type:

text/html;charset=UTF-8 Content-Length: 321

Date: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 00:32:46 GMT



#### **Overhead HTTP**

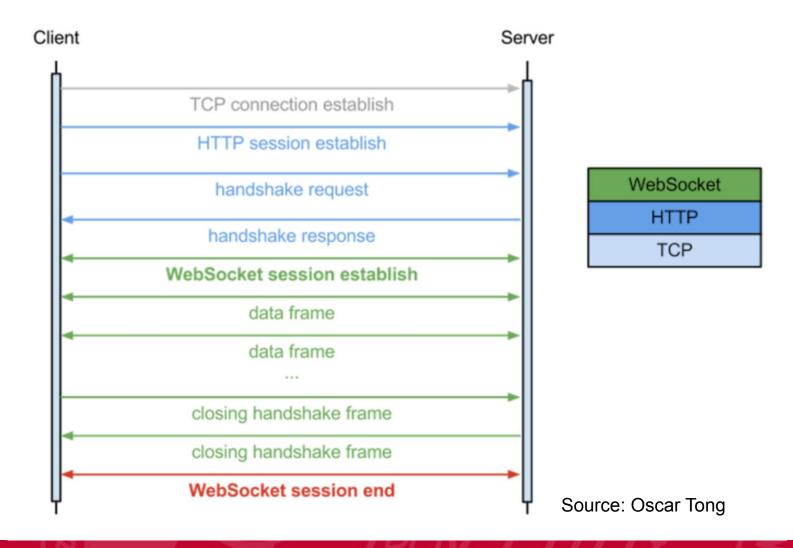
- HTTP Header Overhead
  - Between 800 and 2000 bytes per request/reply
  - In the example, 871 bytes

#### Websockets

- Features
  - Only one TCP socket
  - Comunication full-duplex
  - Shares ports with HTTP/S (80/443)
  - Through firewalls and proxies
  - Small hader size
    - 2 bytes best case!
  - Used as a transport protocol for web apps
    - Layer-7 OSI

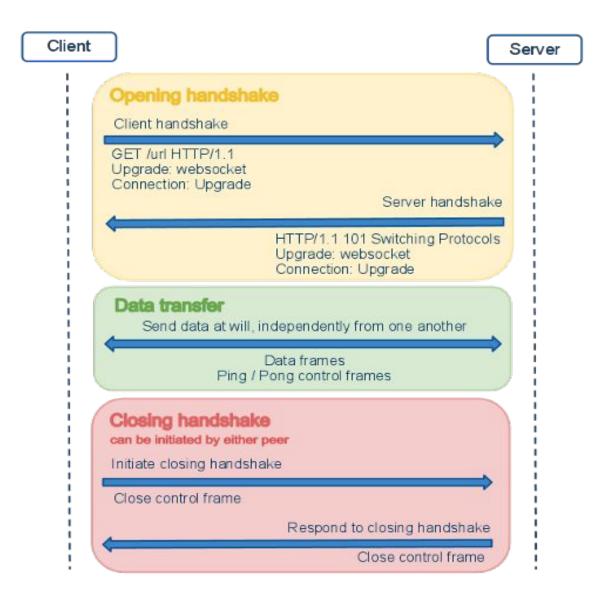
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#### Communication flow



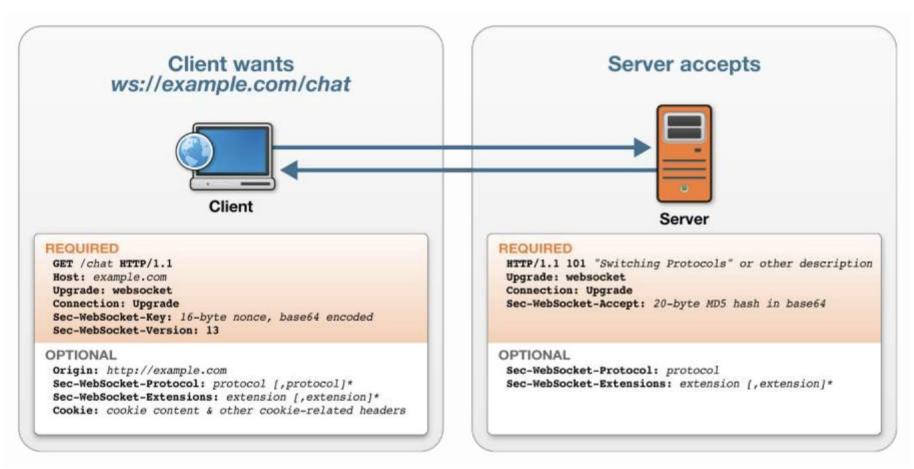


• 3 stages





#### Handshake



Fuente: Peter Lubbers



## Handshake challenge

GET /chat HTTP/1.1Host: www.example.com

Origin: <a href="http://www.example.com">http://www.example.com</a>

Upgrade: websocket Connection: Upgrade

Sec-WebSocket-Key: dGhIHNhbXBsZSBub25jZQ==

Sec-WebSocket-Protocol: chat, superchat

Sec-WebSocket-Version: 13

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Upgrade: websocket Connection: Upgrade

Sec-WebSocket-Accept: s3pPLMBiTxaQ9kYGzzhZRbK+xOo=

Sec-WebSocket-Protocol: chat

GUID = '258EAFA5-E914-47DA-95CA-C5AB0DC85B11'; Sec-WebSocket-Accept = base64( sha1( Sec-WebSocketKey + GUID ))



#### Frames

Co	Control Byte					load Byte	Payload Bytes (Cont.)	Masking Bytes
F I N	0	0	0	OPCODE	MASK	Payload Length	Payload Length	Payload Mask
Payload								

- Small header (≥ 2 bytes)
- Payload can be text or binary

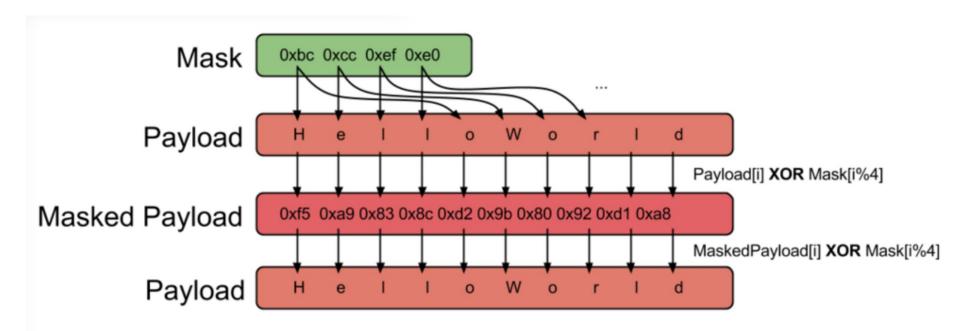
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# Opcode

Opcode	Tipo de frame
0x0	cont
0x1	text
0x2	binary
0x8	close
0x9	ping
0xA	pong

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Masking data (client)



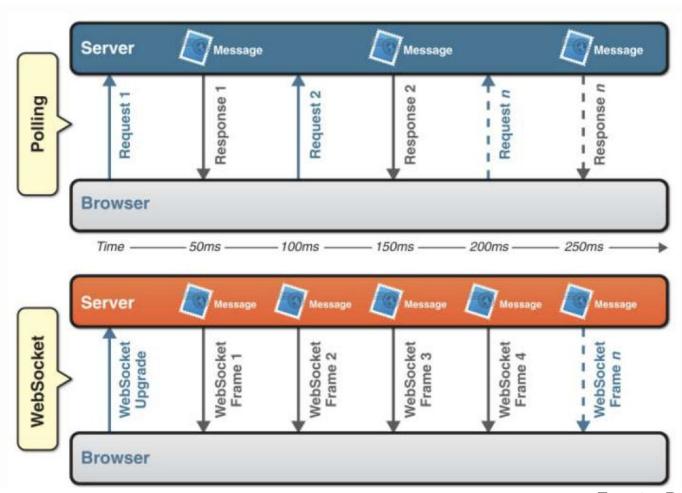
Fuente: Oscar Tong



### • HTTP vs. Websockets

	НТТР	Websockets
Overhead	800-2K bytes	2-6 bytes (typical)
Latency	New connection every time	Reuse connection
Latency (polling)	Wait to next interval	No wait
Latency (long polling)	None if previous request; time to next request in other case	No wait

#### HTTP vs Websockets



Fuente: Peter Lubbers



- API defined W3C
  - Consult <u>HTML living standard</u>

Constructor	WebSocket()
Events	onopen, onerror, onmessage, onclose
Methods	send(), close()
Attributes	url, readyState, bufferedAmout, binaryType, extensions, protocol



Websocket creation

```
var myWebSocket= new WebSocket(url, [protocol]);
```

– URL: ws:// o wss:// (SSL)



#### Attributes

#### myWebSocket.readyState

- 0: Not ready yet
- 1: establish is done
- 2: Closing now
- 3: closed

#### myWebSocket.bufferedAmount

Buffer size, used by send()



#### Event handlers

```
myWebSocket.onopen
myWebSocket.onmessage
myWebSocket.onerror
myWebSocket.onclose
```

- Funciones to invoke when event is triggered

## Example

```
//Create new WebSocket
var mySocket = new WebSocket("ws://www.WebSocket.org");
// Associate listeners
mySocket.onopen = function(evt) { };
mySocket.onclose= function(evt) {
     alert("closed w/ status: " + evt.code); };
mySocket.onmessage = function(evt) {
     alert("Received message: " + evt.data);};
mySocket.onerror = function(evt) {
     alert("Error"); };
// Sending data
mySocket.send("WebSocket Rocks!");
// Close WebSocket
mySocket.close();
```



- Soporte navegador
  - <a href="https://caniuse.com/#search=web%20socket">https://caniuse.com/#search=web%20socket</a>

- Server libraries
  - Kaazing
  - Socket.io (node.js)
  - Pywebsocket
  - Apache-websocket
  - Netty
  - Node.js
  - **—** ....

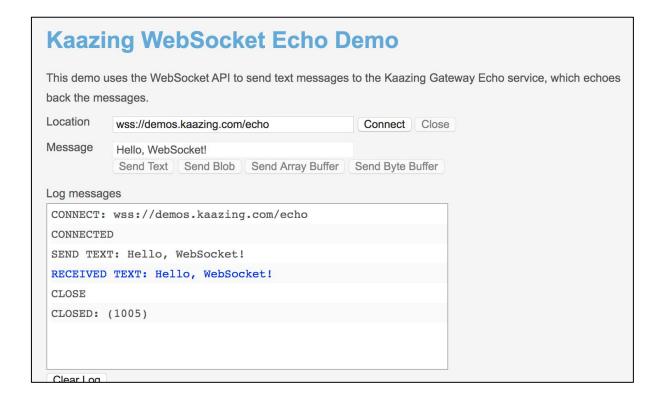


- Client libraries
  - Web-socket-js (JavaScript)
  - Java WebSocket Client (Java)
  - Arduino WebSocket client (C++)
  - Libwebsockets (C)

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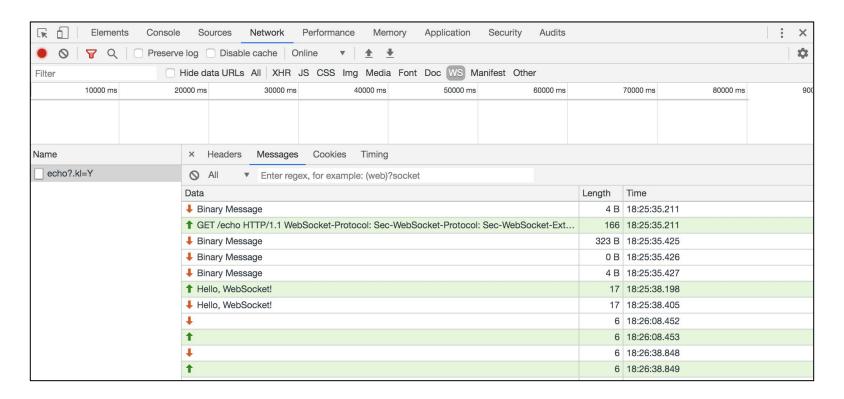


- Examples:
  - http://www.websocket.org/echo.html
  - http://demos.kaazing.com/echo



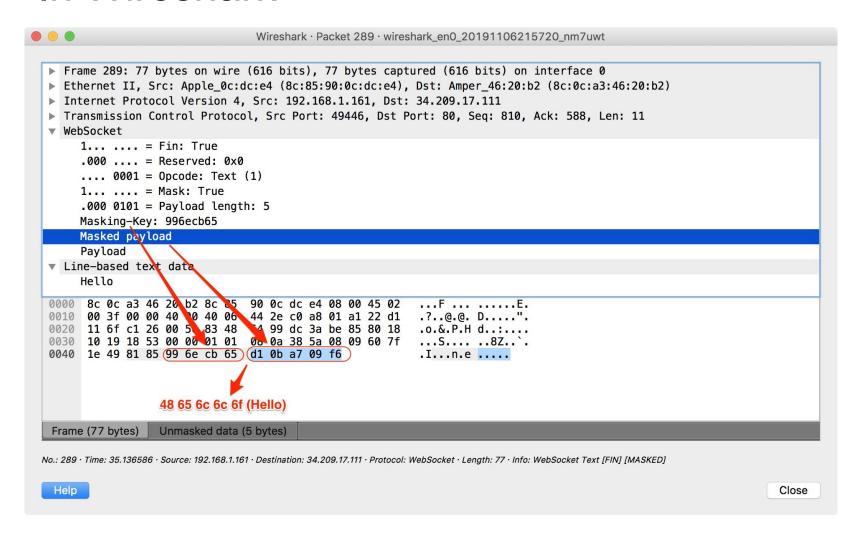


- In Chrome (DevTools)
  - Analyze source code
  - Visualize headers and messages



#### Demo

#### In Wireshark





#### Enlaces relevantes

- www.websocket.org/
- tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6455
- html.spec.whatwg.org/multipage/web-sockets.html
- enterprisewebbook.com/ch8\_websockets.html
- github.com/kaazing/tutorials/tree/develop/mqtt
- www.tornadoweb.org/en/stable/websocket.html
- kaazing.com