§24.1-24.6: Networking and Sockets

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Review last time

- Byte-based I/O
 - Classes: OutputStream, FilterOutputStream
 - Interfaces: DataOutput, ObjectOutput
- Buffered streams: BufferedOutputStream



Internet Protocol transmissions

- The Internet Protocol (IP) is the standard by which all communications over the Internet are done
 - Host / IP address
 - Port number: 0-65535 (0-1023 reserved)
- Two kinds of IP packets:
 - TCP: connection-oriented
 - Handshake, more overhead
 - UDP: connectionless
 - Packets might disappear, or be out of order, or get duplicated



Making a TCP Server in Java

- java.net.ServerSocket object
 - server = new ServerSocket(port, maxclients);
 - maxclients is queue length
 - BindException raised if invalid/used port
- Bind socket (start listening) (blocking):
 - connection = server.accept();
 - Returns a java.net.Socket object
- Communicate via streams:
 - connection.getInputStream();



Servers and multithreading

- (More on threading in ch23)
- Master thread listens on port
- When a client connects, fork off a thread
 - Thread handles communication with that client
- Master thread continues listening for other connections

 Overhead in forking new threads: keep a pool of threads available, reuse dormant threads



TCP client in Java

- Connect to server:
 - connection = new Socket(host, port);
 - UnknownHostException may be raised
- Communicate via streams:
 - connection.getInputStream();



TODO

- Lab5 due Wed 11Apr:
 - File I/O
 - Store inventory and point-of-sale system
 - Worth 60 points
- Last day for submitting late labs is Fri 13Apr
- Last day of classes is Mon 16Apr
- Final exam is Fri 20Apr 2-4pm

