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Interprocess Communication



Agenda

- Interprocess Communication
- Remote Invocation
- Indirect Communication
- Operating System Support
- Case Study: RPC



Interprocess Communication

Interprocess Communication: Middleware Layers

Applications, services

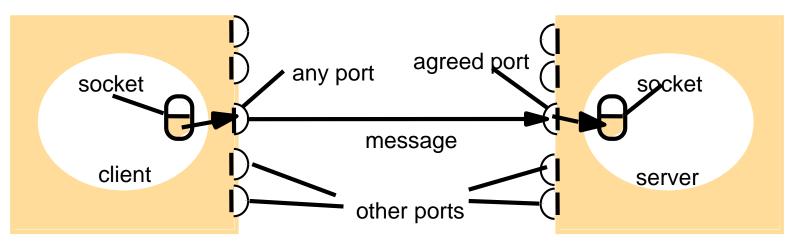
Remote invocation, indirect communication

This chapter

Underlying interprocess communication primitives: Sockets, message passing, multicast support, overlay networks Middleware layers

UDP and TCP

Interprocess Communication: Sockets and Ports



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Internet address = 138.37.88.249

Interprocess Communication: UDP client sending message to server and gets a reply

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class UDPClient {
  public static void main (String args[]){
          // args give message contents and server hostname
          DatagramSocket aSocket = null;
           try {
                    aSocket = new DatagramSocket();
                    byte [] m = args[0].getBytes();
                     InetAddress aHost = InetAddress.getByName(args[1]);
                    int serverPort = 6789;
                     DatagramPacket request = new DatagramPacket(m, m.length(),
                                                     aHost, serverPort);
                    aSocket.send(request);
                    byte[] buffer = new byte[1000];
                    DatagramPacket reply = new DatagramPacket(buffer, buffer.length);
                    aSocket.receive(reply);
                     System.out.println("Reply: " + new String(reply.getData()));
           }catch (SocketException e){System.out.println("Socket: " + e.getMessage());
           }catch (IOException e){System.out.println("IO: " + e.getMessage());}
          }finally {if(aSocket != null) aSocket.close();}
```

Interprocess Communication: TCP client makes connection to server, sends request and receives reply

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class TCPClient {
           public static void main (String args[]) {
           // arguments supply message and hostname of destination
           Socket s = null:
             try{
                      int serverPort = 7896:
                      s = new Socket (args[1], serverPort);
                      DataInputStream in = new DataInputStream( s.getInputStream());
                      DataOutputStream out =
                                  new DataOutputStream (s.getOutputStream());
                      out.writeUTF(args[0]);
                                                       // UTF is a string encoding – Universal Transfer Format
                      String data = in.readUTF();
                      System.out.println("Received: "+ data);
             }catch (UnknownHostException e){
                                  System.out.println("Sock:"+e.getMessage());
             }catch (EOFException e){System.out.println("EOF:"+e.getMessage());
             }catch (IOException e){System.out.println("IO:"+e.getMessage());}
             }finally { if(s!=null) try {s.close();} catch (IOException e) {
                             System.out.println("close:"+e.getMessage());}}
```

Interprocess Communication: TCP server make a connection for each client and then echoes the client's request

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class TCPServer {
  public static void main (String args[]) {
          try{
                    int serverPort = 7896:
                    ServerSocket listenSocket = new ServerSocket(serverPort);
                    while(true) {
                              Socket clientSocket = listenSocket.accept();
                              Connection c = new Connection(clientSocket);
          } catch(IOException e) {System.out.println("Listen :"+e.getMessage());}
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```

Interprocess Communication: TCP server make a connection for each client and then echoes the client's request (Contd.)

```
class Connection extends Thread {
          DataInputStream in;
          DataOutputStream out;
          Socket clientSocket:
          public Connection (Socket aClientSocket) {
            try {
                    clientSocket = aClientSocket:
                    in = new DataInputStream( clientSocket.getInputStream());
                    out = new DataOutputStream(clientSocket.getOutputStream());
                    this.start():
             } catch(IOException e) {System.out.println("Connection:"+e.getMessage());}
          public void run() {
                                                    // an echo server
            try {
                    String data = in.readUTF();
                    out.writeUTF(data);
            } catch(EOFException e) {System.out.println("EOF:"+e.getMessage());
            } catch(IOException e) {System.out.println("IO:"+e.getMessage());}
            } finally{ try {clientSocket.close();}catch (IOException e){/*close failed*/}}
```

Interprocess Communication: CORBA CDR* for constructed types

Туре	.Representation
sequence	length (unsignedlong) followed by elements in order
string	length (unsignedlong) followed by characters in order (can also
	have wide characters)
array	arrayelements in order (no length specified because it is fixed)
struct	In the order of declaration of the components
enumerated	unsigned long (the values are specified by the order declared)
union	typetag followed by the selected member

^{*} CDR: Common Data Representation



struct Person {
 string name;
 string place;
 unsigned long year;
};

index in sequence of bytes ← 4 bytes ←				
0–3	5			
4–7	"Smit"			
8–11	"h"			
12–15	6			
16–19	"Lond"			
20-23	"on"			
24–27	1984			

notes
on representation
length of string
'Smith'
length of string

unsigned long

'London'

The flattened form represents a *Person* struct with value: {'Smith', 'London', 1984}

Interprocess Communication: Indication of java serialized form

```
struct Person {
  int  year;
  string name;
  string place;
};
```

Serialized values

Person	8-byte ve	h0	
3	int year	java.lang.String name:	java.lang.String place:
1984	5 Smith	6 London	h1

Explanation

class name, version number number, type and name of instance variables values of instance variables

- The true serialized form contains additional type markers; h0 and h1 are handles
- Serialized form of an object is appropriate to store on disk or send in a message. Deserialization restores the state of an object from its serial form. The process of deserialization has no knowledge of the object type and as a result the serial form need to include additional info to help interpreting the serial form.
- Object may contain reference to another object; the object reference is serialized into a handle.
- To serialize an object all objects referenced must be serialized as well. Each class is given a handle, and no class is written more than once to the serial form (instead the handle is written to indicate the class)

Interprocess Communication: XML definition of the Person structure

- "id" is a class attribute while <name, place, year> are elements of the class person.
- Name, place and year are tags.

Interprocess Communication: Use of a name space in the Person structure

- XML namespace provides a means to scope names. It is a set of names for collection of element types and attributes that is referenced by a URL.
- Any XML document can use an XML namespace by referring to its URL.

Interprocess Communication:

Representation of a remote object reference

32 bits	32 bits	32 bits	32 bits	
Internet address	port number	time	object number	interface of remote object

- Such representation is relevant only to languages that support remote objects, e.g., Java and CORBA.
- Remote object reference (identifier) is unique in a distributed system (space and time), i.e., even after the remote object is deleted never reused.
- In the above representation: time is object creation time. Object number is unique local number within the host where the remote object reside.
- To allow object to migrate, you should not use object reference as the address of the remote object
- Interface of remote object includes interface name, and supported methods

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Interprocess Communication: Multicast peer joins a group & sends/receive datagrams

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
public class MulticastPeer {
        public static void main (String args[]){
         // args give message contents & destination multicast group (e.g. "228.5.6.7")
        MulticastSocket s =null;
         try {
                  InetAddress group = InetAddress.getByName(args[1]);
                  s = new MulticastSocket(6789);
                  s.joinGroup(group);
                  byte [] m = args[0].getBytes();
                  DatagramPacket messageOut =
                           new DatagramPacket(m, m.length, group, 6789);
                  s.send(messageOut);
```

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Interprocess Communication: Multicast peer joins a group & sends/receive datagrams

```
// get messages from others in group
         byte[] buffer = new byte[1000];
         for(int i=0; i< 3; i++) {
            DatagramPacket messageIn =
                   new DatagramPacket(buffer, buffer.length);
            s.receive(messageIn);
            System.out.println("Received:" + new String(messageIn.getData()));
         s.leaveGroup(group);
  }catch (SocketException e){System.out.println("Socket: " + e.getMessage());
 }catch (IOException e){System.out.println("IO: " + e.getMessage());}
}finally {if(s != null) s.close();}
```

Interprocess Communication:

Types of overlays (virtual networks)

Motivation	Type	Description
Tailored for application needs	Distributed hash tables	One of the most prominent classes of overlay network, offering a service that manages a mapping from keys to values across a potentially large number of nodes in a completely decentralized manner (similar to a standard hash table but in a networked environment).
	Peer-to-peer file sharing	Overlay structures that focus on constructing tailored addressing and routing mechanisms to support the cooperative discovery and use (for example, download) of files.
	Content distribution networks	Overlays that subsume a range of replication, caching and placement strategies to provide improved performance in terms of content delivery to web users; used for web acceleration and to offer the required real-time performance for video streaming [www.kontiki.com].

Interprocess Communication: Types of overlays

Tailored for network style Wireless ad hoc networks

Network overlays that provide customized routing protocols for wireless ad hoc networks, including proactive schemes that effectively construct a routing topology on top of the underlying nodes and reactive schemes that establish routes on demand typically supported by flooding.

Disruption-tolerant networks

Overlays designed to operate in hostile environments that suffer significant node or link failure and potentially high delays.

Offering additional features

Multicast

One of the earliest uses of overlay networks in the Internet, providing access to multicast services where multicast routers are not available; builds on the work by Van Jacobsen, Deering and Casner with their implementation of the MBone (or Multicast Backbone) [mbone].

Resilience

Overlay networks that seek an order of magnitude improvement in robustness and availability of Internet paths

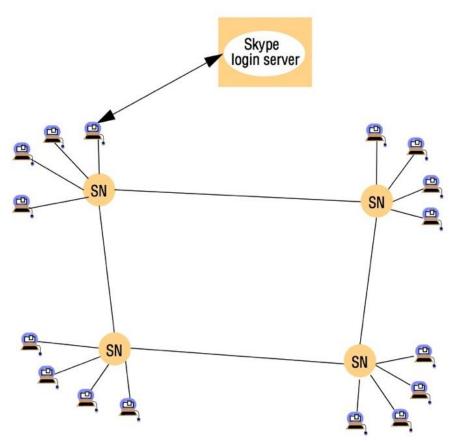
[nms.csail.mit.edu].

Security

Overlay networks that offer enhanced security over the underling IP network, including virtual private networks, for example, as discussed in Section 3.4.8.

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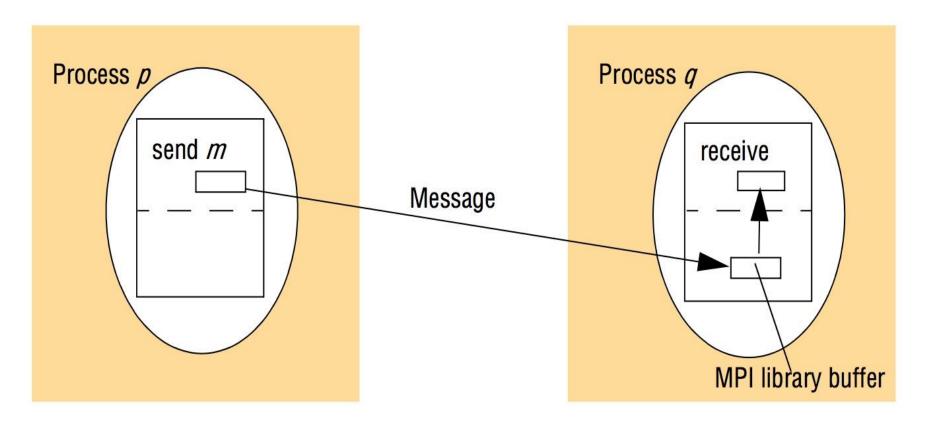
Skype overlay architecture



- Building your own network with your desired attributes over existing networks
- Skype is P2P network offering VoIP service.
 It includes also: instant messaging, video conferencing, and interface to telephony service
- Skype does not require any changes to the Internet.



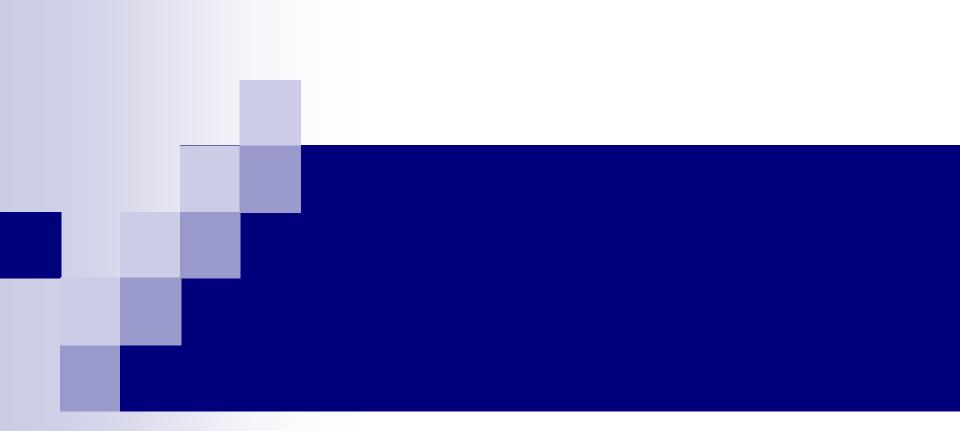
Interprocess Communication: An overview of point-to-point Communication in MPI



- MPI (Message Passing Interface) is lightweight MP used with High-Performance Computing for distributed programming

Interprocess Communication: Selected send operation in MPI

Send operations	Blocking	Non-blocking
Generic	MPI_Send: the sender blocks until it is safe to return – that is, until the message is in transit or delivered and the sender's application buffer can therefore be reused.	MPI_Isend: the call returns immediately and the programmer is given a communication request handle, which can then be used to check the progress of the call via MPI_Wait or MPI_Test.
Synchronous	MPI_Ssend: the sender and receiver synchronize and the call only returns when the message has been delivered at the receiving end.	MPI_Issend: as with MPI_Isend, but with MPI_Wait and MPI_Test indicating whether the message has been delivered at the receive end.
Buffered	MPI_Bsend: the sender explicitly allocates an MPI buffer library (using a separate MPI_Buffer_attach call) and the call returns when the data is successfully copied into this buffer.	MPI_Ibsend: as with MPI_Isend but with MPI_Wait and MPI_Test indicating whether the message has been copied into the sender's MPI buffer and hence is in transit.
Ready	MPI_Rsend: the call returns when the sender's application buffer can be reused (as with MPI_Send), but the programmer is also indicating to the library that the receiver is ready to receive the message, resulting in potential optimization of the underlying implementation.	MPI_Irsend: the effect is as with MPI_Isend, but as with MPI_Rsend, the programmer is indicating to the underlying implementation that the receiver is guaranteed to be ready to receive (resulting in the same optimizations),





Middleware layers

This chapter and (next chapter)

Applications

Remote invocation, indirect communication

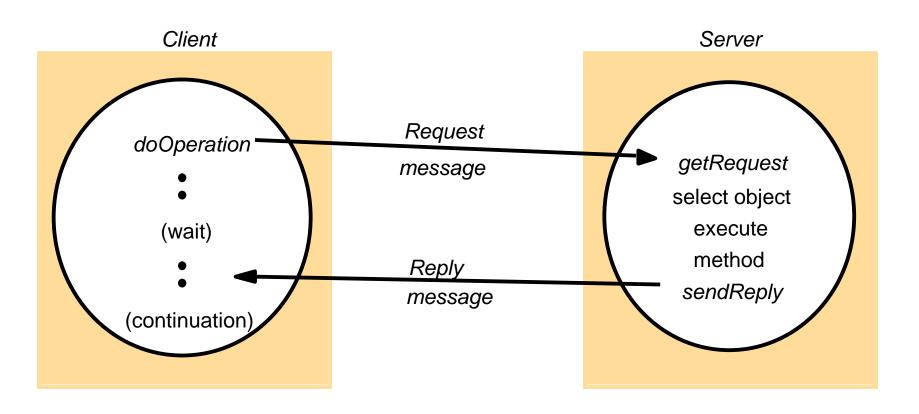
Underlying interprocess communication primitives:

Sockets, message passing, multicast support, overlay networks

UDP and TCP

Middleware layers

Request-reply communication





Operations of the request-reply protocol

public byte[] doOperation (RemoteRef s, int operationId, byte[] arguments)

sends a request message to the remote server and returns the reply. The arguments specify the remote server, the operation to be invoked and the arguments of that operation.

public byte[] getRequest ();

server acquires a client request via the server port.

public void sendReply (byte[] reply, InetAddress clientHost, int clientPort); server sends the reply message reply to the client at its Internet address and port.



Request-reply message structure

messageType
Request-Id
remoteReference
Operation-Id

arguments

int (0=Request, 1= Reply)
int

RemoteRef
int or Operation
array of bytes

Remote Invocation: RPC exchange protocols

Name	Messages sent by		
	Client	Server	Client
R	Request		
RR	Request	Reply	
RRA	Request	Reply	Acknowledge reply

Remote Invocation: HTTP request message

method	URL or pathname	HTTP version	headers	message body
GET	//www.dcs.qmw.ac.uk/index.html	HTTP/ 1.1		

Remote Invocation: HTTP reply message

HTTP version	status code	reason	headers	message body
HTTP/1.1	200	OK		resource data

Remote Invocation: CORBA IDL example

```
// In file Person.idl
struct Person {
          string name;
          string place;
          long year;
};
interface PersonList {
          readonly attribute string listname;
          void addPerson(in Person p);
          void getPerson(in string name, out Person p);
          long number();
};
```

- CORBA / RPC is programming with interfaces; separate interface from implementation
- In local procedure we pass parameters by value or by reference.
 In RPC, we describe parameters as <In, Out, InOut>

Call semantics

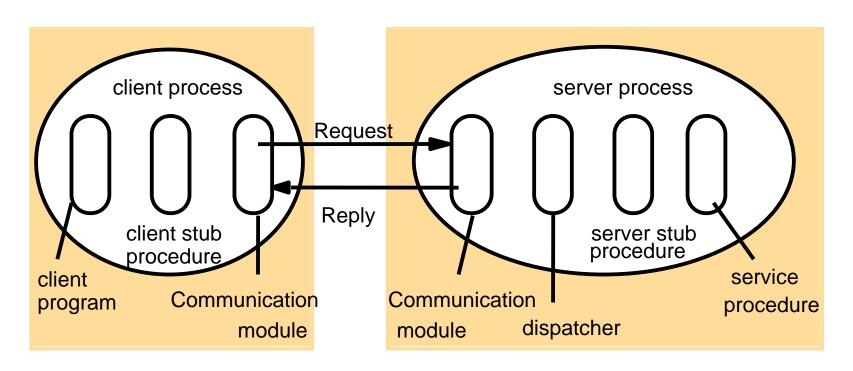
Fa	Call semantics		
Retransmit request message	Duplicate filtering	Re-execute procedure or retransmit reply	
No	Not applicable	Not applicable	Maybe
Yes	No	Re-execute procedure	At-least-once
Yes	Yes	Retransmit reply	At-most-once

- Retransmit request: retransmit till you get reply or conclude that server is down
- **Duplicate Filtering**: whether to filter duplicate requests at the server
- Retransmission of results: whether to keep history of result msgs to retransmit lost replies w/o re-executing the request operation

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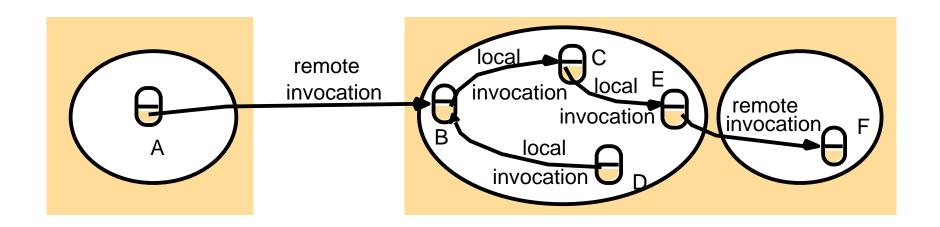
Role of client & server stub procedure in RPC



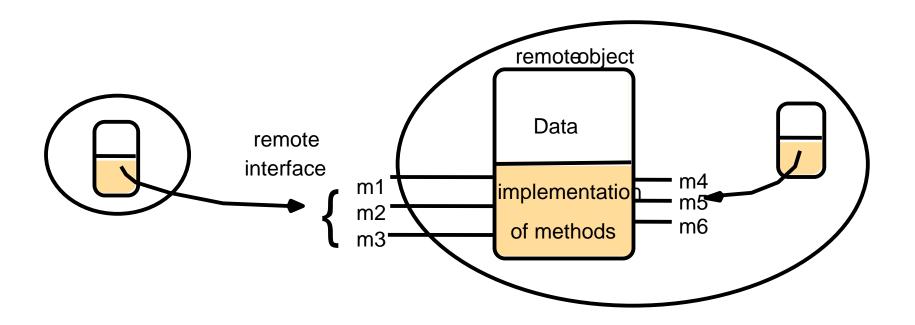
- Client stub marshalls request and unmarshall response
- Server stub unmarshall request and marshall response



Remote and local method invocations



A remote object and its remote interface

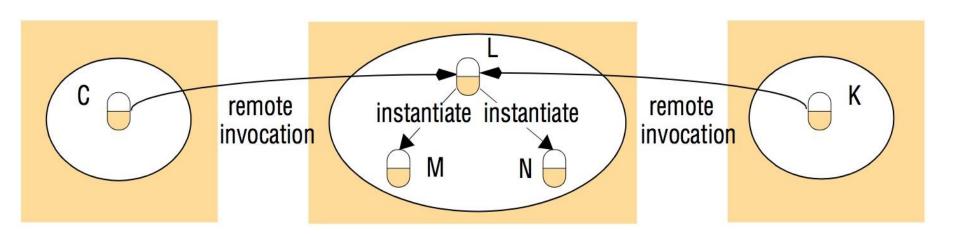


- Objects in other processes can invoke only methods in the remote interface (m1, m2, m3). Local objects can invoke both methods in the remote interface (M1, m2, m3) as well as other methods implemented by the remote object (m4, m5, m6).

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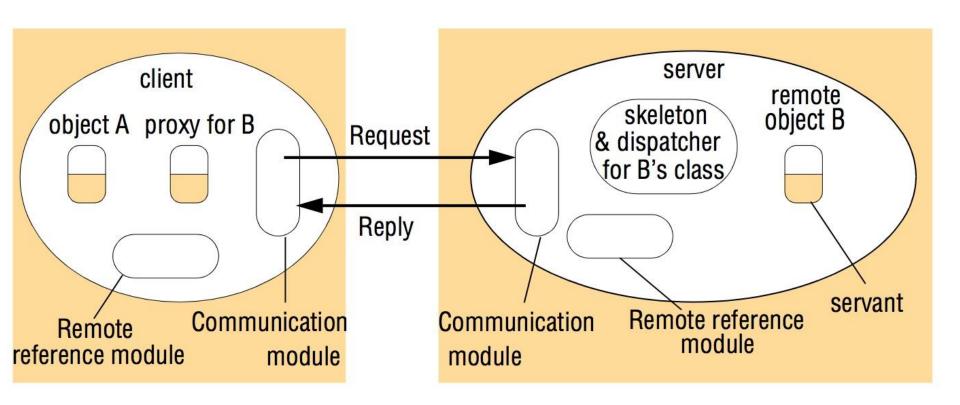
Remote Invocation:

Instantiation of remote objects



- Distributed applications may provide remote objects with methods for instantiating objects that can be accessed remotely; thus effectively providing the effect of remote instantiation of objects.

Remote Invocation: The role of proxy and skeleton in remote method invocation



- Proxy is the client stub
- Skeleton is the server stub



Remote Invocation:

Java remote interfaces Shape and ShapeList

```
import java.rmi.*;
import java.util.Vector;
public interface Shape extends Remote {
                    getVersion() throws RemoteException;
   int
   GraphicalObject getAllState() throws RemoteException;
public interface ShapeList extends Remote {
   Shape newShape(GraphicalObject g) throws RemoteException;
   Vector allShapes() throws RemoteException;
          getVersion() throws RemoteException;
   int
```

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Remote Invocation:

The Naming class of Java RMIregistry

void **rebind** (String name, Remote obj)

This method is used by a server to register the identifier of a remote object by name, as shown in next page, line 2.

void bind (String name, Remote obj)

This method can alternatively be used by a server to register a remote object by name, but if the name is already bound to a remote object reference an exception is thrown.

void **unbind** (String name, Remote obj)

This method removes a binding.

Remote lookup (String name)

This method is used by clients to look up a remote object by name, as shown in Figure 5.20 line 1. A remote object reference is returned.

String [] list()

This method returns an array of Strings containing the names bound in the registry.



Remote Invocation:

Java class ShapeListServer with main() method

```
import java.rmi.*;
public class ShapeListServer{
   public static void main (String args[]){
       System.setSecurityManager(new RMISecurityManager());
        try{
           ShapeList aShapeList = new ShapeListServant();
              Naming.rebind("Shape List", aShapeList );
           System.out.println("ShapeList server ready");
          }catch(Exception e) {
           System.out.println("ShapeList server main " + e.getMessage());}
```



Remote Invocation: Java class ShapeListServant implements interface ShapeList

```
import java.rmi.*;
import java.rmi.server.UnicastRemoteObject;
import java.util.Vector;
public class ShapeListServant extends UnicastRemoteObject implements ShapeList {
    private Vector theList;
                                    // contains the list of Shapes
    private int version;
   public ShapeListServant()throws RemoteException{...}
   public Shape newShape(GraphicalObject g) throws RemoteException { 1
            version++:
           Shape s = new ShapeServant( g, version);
           theList.addElement(s);
           return s:
   public Vector allShapes() throws RemoteException{...}
                  getVersion() throws RemoteException { ... }
   public int
```

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Remote Invocation:

Java client of ShapeList

```
import java.rmi.*;
import java.rmi.server.*;
import java.util.Vector;
public class ShapeListClient{
  public static void main (String args[]){
   System. setSecurityManager(new RMISecurityManager());
   ShapeList aShapeList = null;
   try{
       aShapeList = (ShapeList) Naming.lookup("//bruno.ShapeList");
       Vector sList = aShapeList.allShapes();
   } catch(RemoteException e) {System.out.println(e.getMessage());
   }catch(Exception e) {System.out.println("Client: " + e.getMessage());}
```

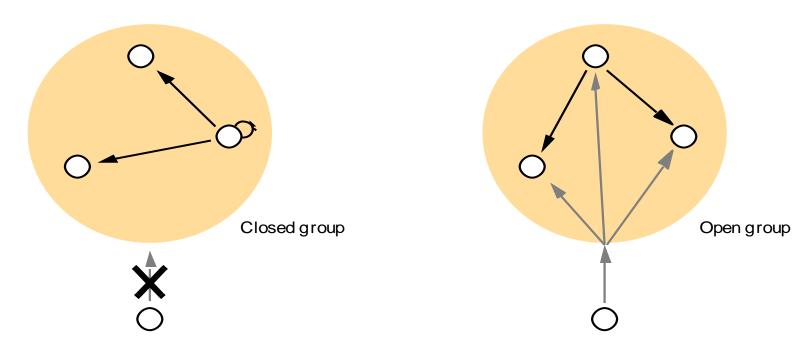
Space and time coupling in distributed systems

- Indirect Communications means communication through intermediary, hence no direct coupling between sender and receiver.
- Space uncoupling: sender does not know or does not need to know the identity of the receiver(s), and vice versa. This allows flexibility of change (senders and receivers) can be replaced, updated, replicated or migrated
- Time uncoupling: sender and receiver can have independent lifetimes.
 In other words, sender and receiver(s) do not need to exist at the same time to communicate
- Example: in mobile environment where users may rapidly connect and disconnect from the global network (time uncoupling).
- Group communication offers service where message is sent to a group, multicast communication. A process may join or leave the group
- Reliability & ordering in multicast: all members should receive any multicast msg and the delivery order

Space and time coupling in distributed systems

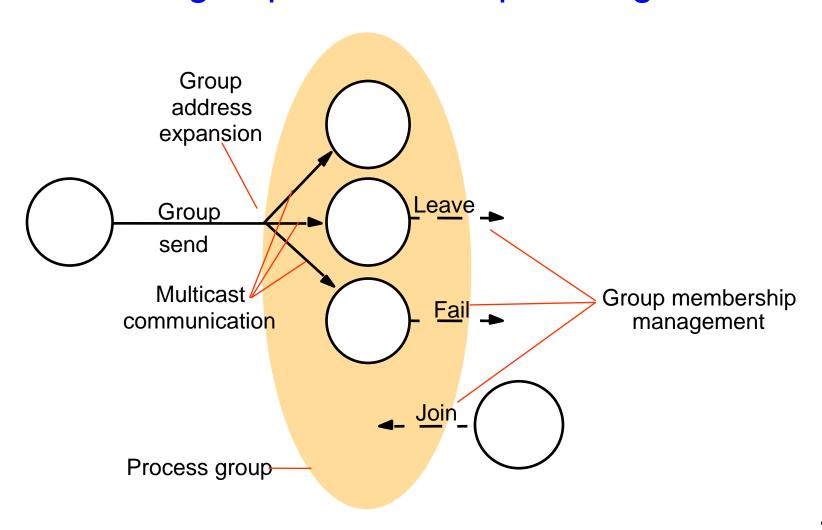
	Time-coupled	Time-uncoupled
Space coupling	Properties: Communication directed towards a given receiver or receivers; receiver(s) must exist at that moment in time Examples: Message passing, remote invocation (see Chapters 4 and 5)	Properties: Communication directed towards a given receiver or receivers; sender(s) and receiver(s) can have independent lifetimes Examples: See Exercise 15.3
Space uncoupling	Properties: Sender does not need to know the identity of the receiver(s); receiver(s) must exist at that moment in time Examples: IP multicast (see Chapter 4)	Properties: Sender does not need to know the identity of the receiver(s); sender(s) and receiver(s) can have independent lifetimes Examples: Most indirect communication paradigms covered in this chapter

Open and Closed groups



- Communication with all group members is broadcast. Communication with a subset is multicast. Communication with a single member is called unicast. An entity can be member of multiple groups.
- Closed group: only group member can send message to the group.
- Open group: outside process can communicate with the group.

The role of group membership management

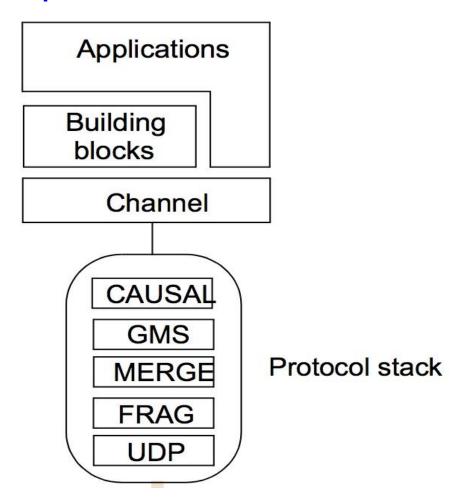


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Indirect Communication:

The architecture of JGroups Toolkit www.jgroups.org

- JGroup is an open source toolkit that originated at Cornell University.
- JGroup is written in Java and it supports process groups; process can join and leaves a group + send message to the group or to single member in the group.
- JGroups supports different delivery and order guarantees.
- A process interact with a group through a channel object (handle)
- Process can connect / disconnect to a group

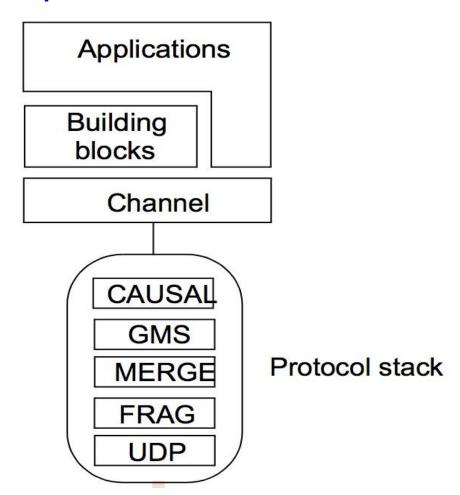


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Indirect Communication:

The architecture of JGroups Toolkit

- UDP: transport layer
- FRAG: message packetization and set maximum packet size (default = 8K)
- MERGE: deals with network partitioning and subsequent merge
- GMS: Group membership protocol – maintain consistent view of Group membership across members
- CAUSAL: implements casual ordering



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Indirect Communication:

Java class FireAlarmJG

```
import org.jgroups.JChannel;
public class FireAlarmJG {
public void raise() {
  try {
     JChannel \ channel = new \ JChannel();
     channel.connect("AlarmChannel");
     Message msg = new Message(null, null, "Fire!");
     channel.send(msg); // multicast to registered receivers
  catch(Exception e) {
```

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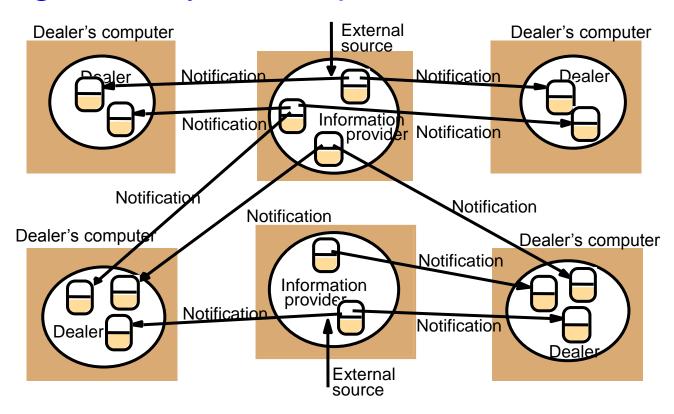
Indirect Communication:

Java class FireAlarmConsumerJG

import org.jgroups.JChannel;

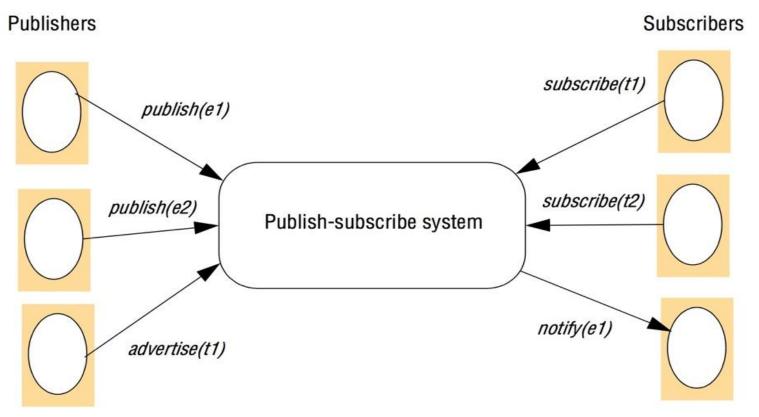
```
public class FireAlarmConsumerJG {
   public String await() {
  try {
       JChannel channel = new JChannel();
       channel.connect("AlarmChannel");
       Message msg = (Message) channel.receive(0);
       return (String) msg.GetObject();
  } catch(Exception e) {
       return null;
```

Dealing room system – publish-subscribe system



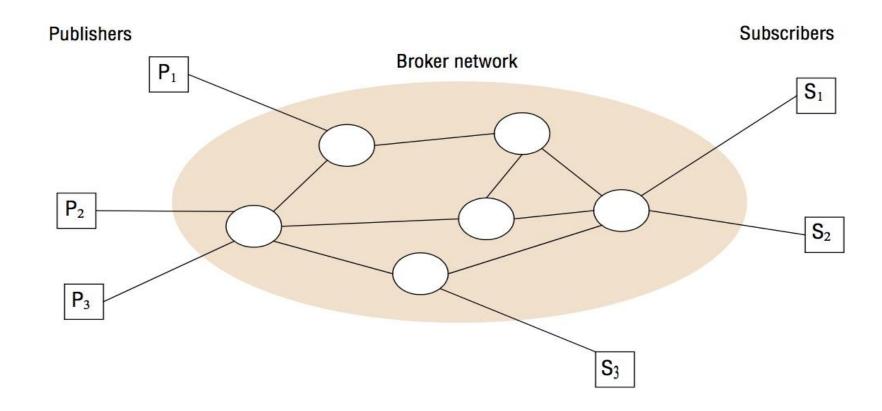
 Dealing room system: whose task is to allow dealers using computers to see latest information about market prices of relevant stocks. Each stock is represented as an object. Information arrives from different associated objects and arrives in the form of an update to some of the objects

The publish-subscribe paradigm



- Publish-subscribe is also referred to as Distributed Event-based systems.
 It is also one-to-many communication paradigm
- Publish-subscribe is a key component of Google's infrastructure dissemination of events related to advertisements (ad clicks)

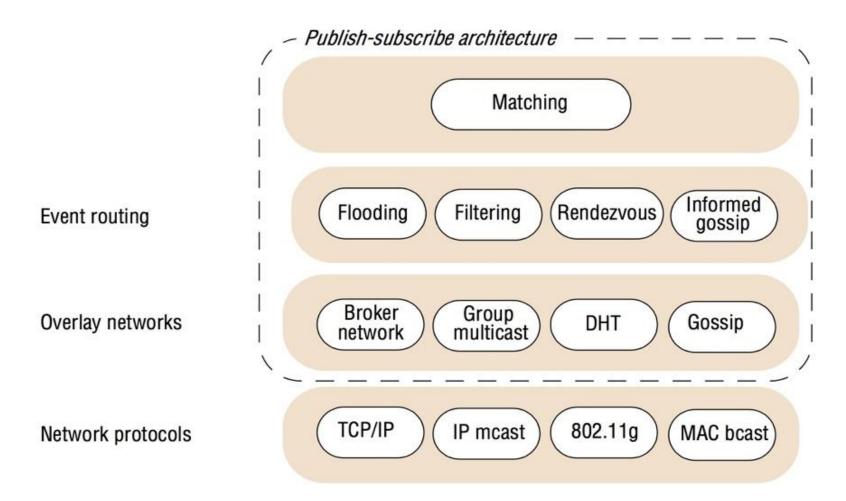
A network of brokers



Publish-subscribe can be implemented using centralized broker architecture (not scalable) or distributed where the centralized broker is replaced with network of brokers or we can go further using P2P strategy.



The architecture of publish-subscribe systems



Event routing layer

- Flooding: simplest approach; simply send event notification to all nodes in the network. Each node needs to do matching at the subscriber end
- **Filtering:** apply filtering at the network of brokers. Broker will forward notifications through the network only if path exists to a valid subscriber
- Rendezvous: this approach is meant to achieve load balance; partition the event space among the set of brokers in the network
- Informed gossip: leverage P2P to underpin event routing in publish-subscribe systems. Gossip-based approaches are used to implement efficiently multicast. They are executed by nodes periodically and probabilistically exchange events with neighboring nodes.

Filtering-based routing

```
upon receive publish(event e) from node x
  matchlist := match(e, subscriptions)
  send notify(e) to matchlist;
  fwdlist := match(e, routing);
  send publish(e) to fwdlist - x; 5
upon receive subscribe(subscription s) from node x
  if x is client then
     add x to subscriptions;
  else add(x, s) to routing;
  send subscribe(s) to neighbours - x;
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```

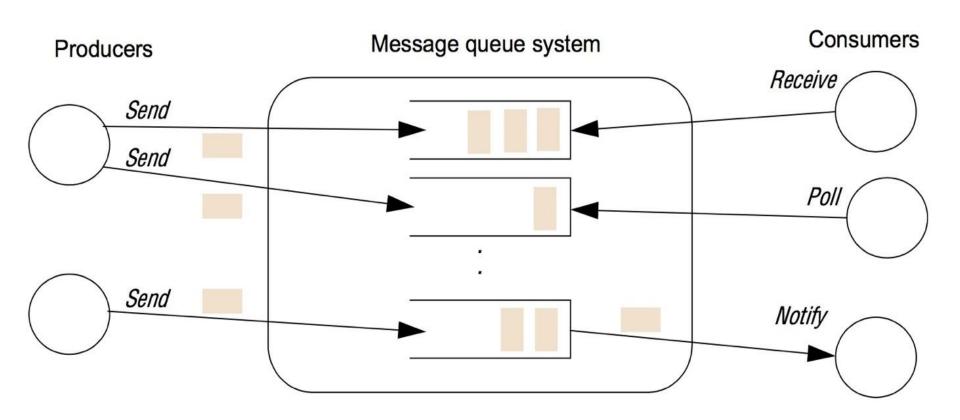
Rendezvous-based routing

```
upon receive publish(event e) from node x at node i
   rvlist := EN(e);
   if i in rvlist then begin
       matchlist := match(e, subscriptions);
       send notify(e) to matchlist;
   end
   send publish(e) to rvlist - i;
upon receive subscribe(subscription s) from node x at node i
   rvlist := SN(s);
   if i in rvlist then
       add s to subscriptions;
   else
       send subscribe(s) to rvlist - i;
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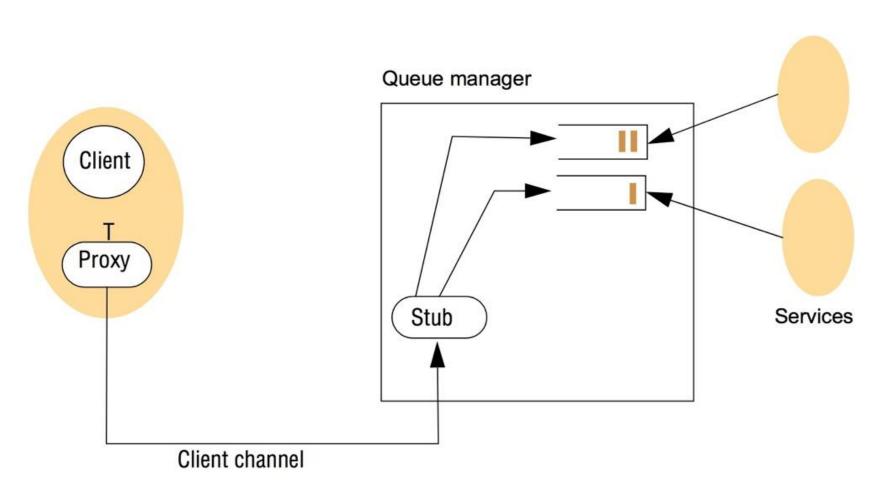
Example: publish-subscribe systems

System (and further reading)	Subscription model	Distribution model	Event routing
CORBA Event Service (Chapter 8)	Channel-based	Centralized	-
TIB Rendezvouz [Oki et al. 1993]	Topic-based	Distributed	Ffiltering
Scribe [Castro et al. 2002b]	Topic-based	Peer-to-peer (DHT)	Rendezvous
TERA [Baldoni et al. 2007]	Topic-based	Peer-to-peer	Informed gossip
Siena [Carzaniga et al. 2001]	Content-based	Distributed	Filtering
Gryphon [www.research.ibm.com]	Content-based	Distributed	Filtering
Hermes [Pietzuch and Bacon 2002]	Topic- and content-based	Distributed	Rendezvous and filtering
MEDYM [Cao and Singh 2005]	Content-based	Distributed	Flooding
Meghdoot [Gupta et al. 2004]	Content-based	Peer-to-peer	Rendezvous
Structure-less CBR [Baldoni et al. 2005]	Content-based	Peer-to-peer	Informed gossip

The message queue paradigm

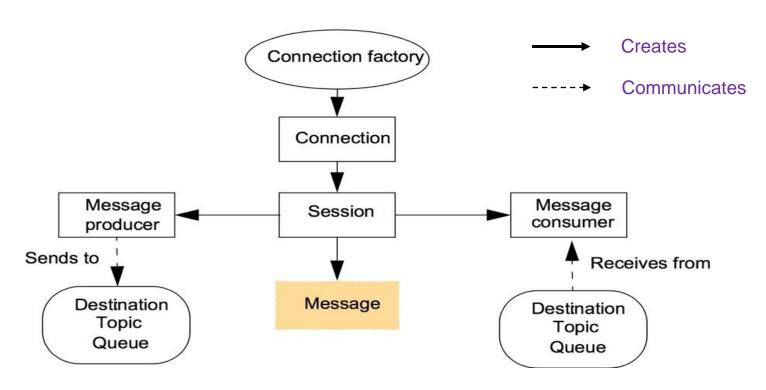


A simple networked topology in WebSphere MQ



The programming model offered by JMS

package: javax.jms API: https://docs.oracle.com/javaee/7/api/javax/jms/package-summary.html



- JMS unify the publish-subscribe and message queue paradigms Indirect communication
- JMS supports the notion of Topics and queues as alternative destination for a message
- Variation of implementations based on JMS specs: JBoss, Apache ActiveMQ, Open MQ, etc.

Indirect Communication:Java class FireAlarmJMS

```
import javax.jms.*;
import javax.naming.*;
public class FireAlarmJMS {
public void raise() {
    try {
         Context ctx = new InitialContext();
         TopicConnectionFactory topicFactory = 3
             (TopicConnectionFactory)ctx.lookup ("TopicConnectionFactory"); 4
         Topic topic = (Topic)ctx.lookup("Alarms"); 5
         TopicConnection topicConn =
             topicConnectionFactory.createTopicConnection();
         TopicSession topicSess = topicConn.createTopicSession(false, 8
             Session.AUTO ACKNOWLEDGE);
         TopicPublisher topicPub = topicSess.createPublisher(topic); 10;
         TextMessage msg = topicSess.createTextMessage();
         msg.setText("Fire!");
         topicPub.publish(message);
         } catch (Exception e) {
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```

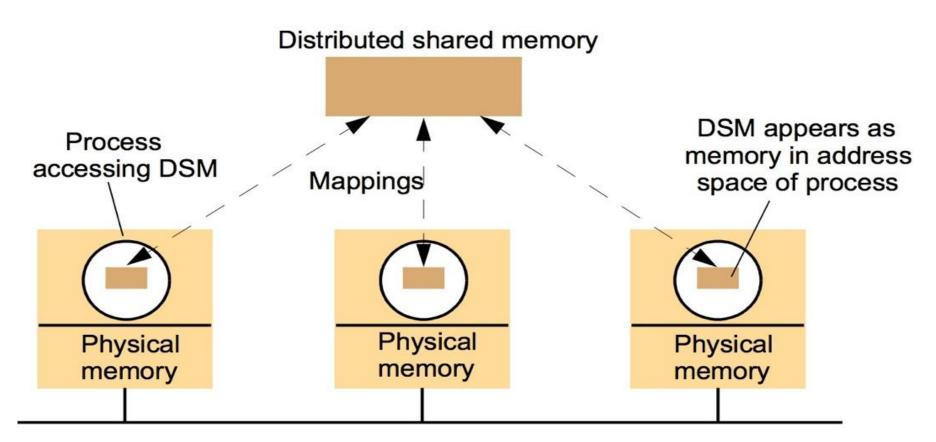
Indirect Communication: Java class FireAlaramConsumerJMS

```
Import javax.jms.*; import javax.naming.*;
public class FireAlarmConsumerJMS
public String await() {
    try {
        Context ctx = new InitialContext();
        TopicConnectionFactory topicFactory =
            (TopicConnectionFactory)ctx.lookup("TopicConnectionFactory"); 4
        Topic topic = (Topic)ctx.lookup("Alarms"); 5
        TopicConnection topicConn =
             topicConnectionFactory.createTopicConnection();
        TopicSession topicSess = topicConn.createTopicSession(false,
               Session.AUTO ACKNOWLEDGE):
        TopicSubscriber topicSub = topicSess.createSubscriber(topic);
        topicSub.start();
        TextMessage msg = (TextMessage) topicSub.receive();
        return msg.getText();
        } catch (Exception e) {
                 return null;
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```

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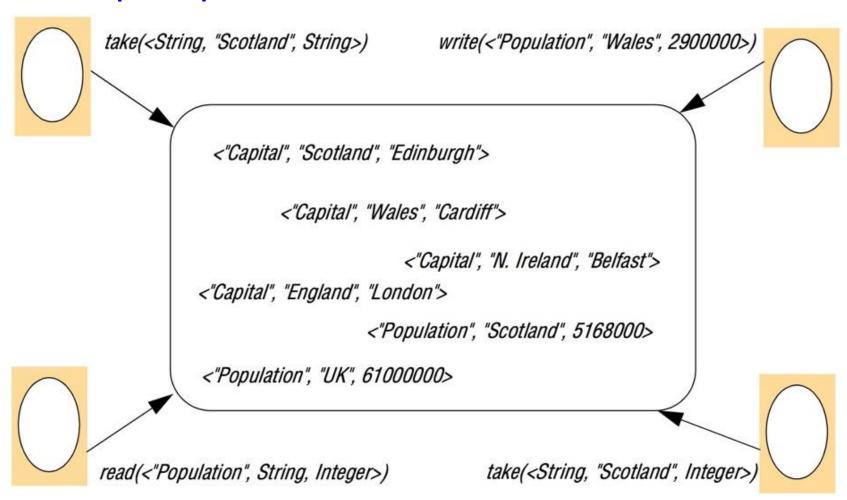
Indirect Communication:

The distributed shared memory (DSM) abstraction



 DSM are less appropriate for Client-Server environment as client view server held resources as an abstraction and access them through request.

The tuple space abstraction



Indirect Communication: Replication and the tuple space operations [Xu and Liskov 1989]

Tuple space is a form of Distributed System. Processes communicate by placing tuples in a tuple space (tuple has no address to be used by other processes). Tuples are accessed using pattern matching paradigm (content addressable memory.

Write (no impact on the tuple space)

- 1. The requesting site multicasts the *write* request to all members of the view;
- 2. On receiving this request, members insert the tuple into their replica and acknowledge this action;
- 3. Step 1 is repeated until all acknowledgements are received.

Read (no impact on the tuple space)

- 1. The requesting site multicasts the *read* request to all members of the view;
- 2. On receiving this request, a member returns a matching tuple to the requestor;
- 3. The requestor returns the first matching tuple received as the result of the operation (ignoring others);
- 4. Step 1 is repeated until at least one response is received.

Indirect Communication: Replication and the tuple space operations [Xu and Liskov 1989]

Take (read and remove from the tuple space): op blocks till end of phase-1 Phase 1: Selecting the tuple to be read and removed

- 1. The requesting site multicasts the *take* request to all members of the view;
- 2. On receiving this request, each replica acquires a lock on the associated tuple set and, if the lock cannot be acquired, the *take* request is rejected;
- 3. All accepting members reply with the set of all matching tuples;
- 4. Step 1 is repeated until all sites have accepted the request and responded with their set of tuples and the intersection is non-null;
- 5. A particular tuple is selected as the result of the operation (selected randomly from the intersection of all the replies);
- 6. If only a minority accept the request, this minority are asked to release their locks and phase 1 repeats.

Phase 2: Removing the selected tuple

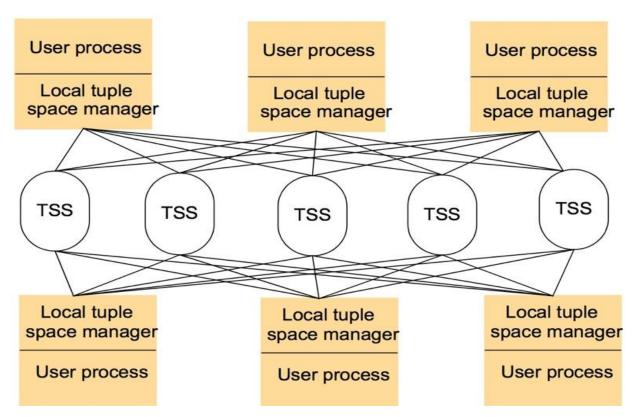
- 1. The requesting site multicasts a *remove* request to all members of the view citing the tuple to be removed;
- 2. On receiving this request, members remove the tuple from their replica, send an acknowledgement and release the lock;
- 3. Step 1 is repeated until all acknowledgements are received.

Indirect Communication: Replication and the tuple space operations [Xu and Liskov 1989]

Enhancement:

- Tuple space suffers from concurrency control / synchronization issues. Authors added the following constraints as a follow up:
- 1. Worker Ops must be executed at each replica in the same order.
- 2. Write Op must not execute at any replica until all previous "Take" Ops issues by the same worker have completed at all replicas in the worker's view

Partitioning in the York Linda kernel [U. of York, 96]



- TSS: Tuple Space Servers
- Tuples are partitioned across a range of available tuple space servers (TSS); no replication of tuples. This is to increase the performance of the tuple space
- Read/Take is more complex
- Some implementations adopted P2P to provide the TSS (attractive approach)

The JavaSpaces API

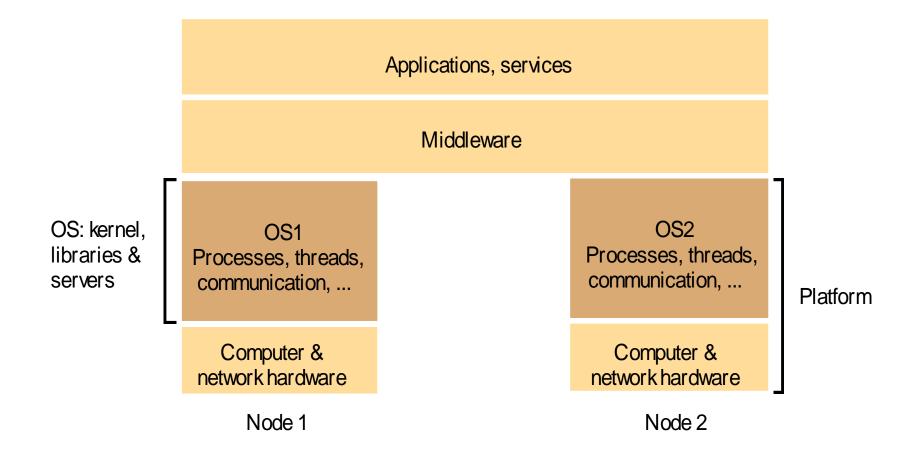
Operation	Effect	
Lease write(Entry e, Transaction txn, long lease)	Places an entry into a particular JavaSpace	
Entry read(Entry tmpl, Transaction txn, long timeout)	Returns a copy of an entry matching a specified template	
Entry readIfExists(Entry tmpl, Transaction txn, long timeout)	As above, but not blocking	
Entry take(Entry tmpl, Transaction txn, long timeout)	Retrieves (and removes) an entry matching a specified template	
Entry takeIfExists(Entry tmpl, Transaction txn, long timeout)	As above, but not blocking	
EventRegistration notify(Entry tmpl, Transaction txn, RemoteEventListener listen, long lease, MarshalledObject handback)	Notifies a process if a tuple matching a specified template is written to a JavaSpace	

- JavaSpaces is a tool for tuple space communication; Sun developed the specs and let 3rd parties fo the implementation (Examples are GigaSpaces, Blitz).
- Goal is to provide platform to simplify developing distributed applications & Services

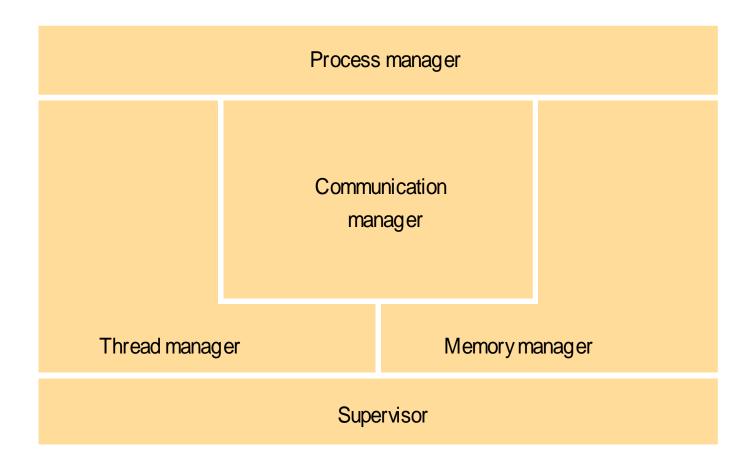
Summary of indirect communication styles

Groups	Publish- subscribe systems	Message queues	DSM	Tuple spaces
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Possible	Possible	Yes	Yes	Yes
Communication- based	Communication- based	Communication- based	State-based	State-based
1-to-many	1-to-many	1-to-1	1-to-many	1-1 or 1-to-many
Reliable distributed computing	Information dissemination or EAI; mobile and ubiquitous systems	Information dissemination or EAI; commercial transaction processing	Parallel and distributed computation	Parallel and distributed computation; mobile and ubiquitous systems
Limited	Possible	Possible	Limited	Limited
No	Content-based publish-subscribe only	No	No	Yes
	Yes Possible Communication-based 1-to-many Reliable distributed computing	Yes Yes Possible Possible Communication-based Communication-based I-to-many Reliable Information dissemination or EAI; mobile and ubiquitous systems Limited Possible No Content-based publish-subscribe	Yes Yes Yes Possible Possible Yes Communication-based based Communication-based based Communication-based Communication-base	Yes Yes Yes Yes Possible Possible Yes Yes Communication-based based 1-to-many 1-to-many 1-to-1 1-to-many Reliable Information dissemination or computing EAI; mobile and ubiquitous systems EAI; commercial transaction processing Limited Possible Possible Limited No Content-based publish-subscribe

System layers

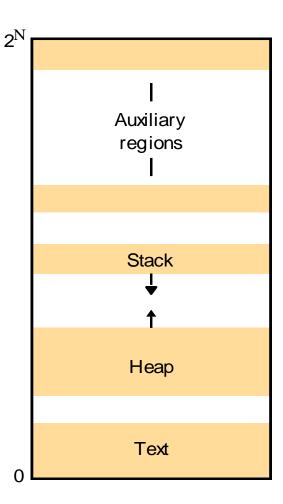


Core OS functionality

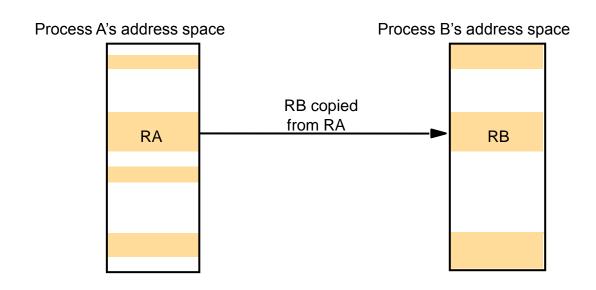


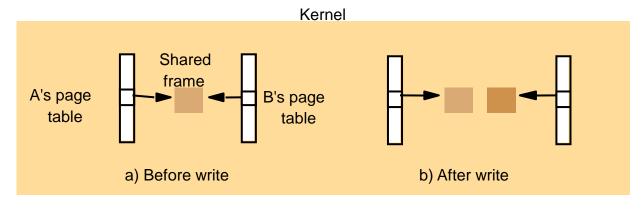
Address space

 The address space on the RHS meant to give you an idea and not necessarily an accurate representation for example in the Unix/Linux environment



Copy-on-write

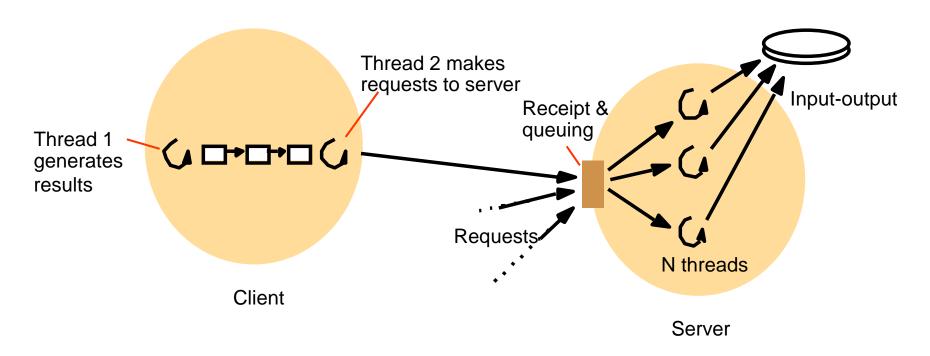




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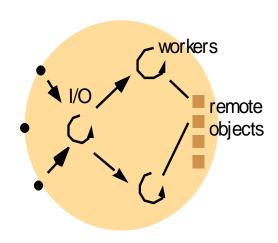
Operating System Support:

Client and server with threads



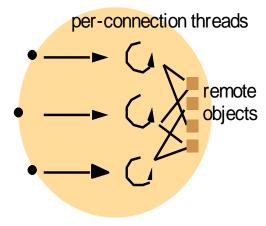
Server has multiple threads. A thread is assigned a request to serve.

Operating System Support: Alternative server threading architectures (see also pg 82)



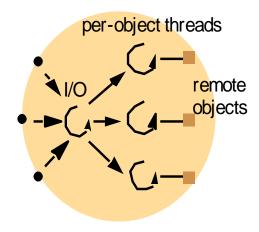
a. Thread-per-request

(Dispatcher thread creates a worker thread to serve the request then exits)



b. Thread-per-connection

(client creates a connection which result in creating server thread to serve client requests. This thread is destroyed when the client closes the connection



c. Thread-per-object

(A thread is associated with serving one object. An IO thread receives requests and queue them for object threads.)

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Operating System Support:

Java thread constructor and Management methods

Thread(ThreadGroup group, Runnable target, String name)

Creates a new thread in the SUSPENDED state, which will belong to group and be identified as name; the thread will execute the run() method of target.

setPriority(int newPriority), getPriority()

Set and return the thread's priority.

run()

A thread executes the *run()* method of its target object, if it has one, and otherwise its own *run()* method (*Thread* implements *Runnable*).

start()

Change the state of the thread from SUSPENDED to RUNNABLE.

sleep(int millisecs)

Cause the thread to enter the SUSPENDED state for the specified time.

yield()

Causes the thread to enter the READY state and invoke the scheduler.

destroy()

Destroy the thread.

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Operating System Support: Java thread synchronization calls

thread.join(int millisecs)

Blocks the calling thread for up to the specified time until *thread* has terminated.

thread.interrupt()

Interrupts *thread*: causes it to return from a blocking method call such as sleep().

object.wait(long millisecs, int nanosecs)

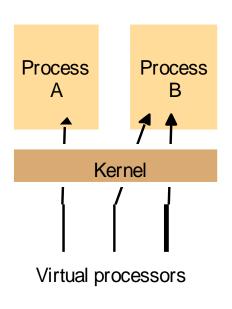
Blocks the calling thread until a call made to *notify()* or *notifyAll()* on *object* wakes the thread, or the thread is interrupted, or the specified time has elapsed.

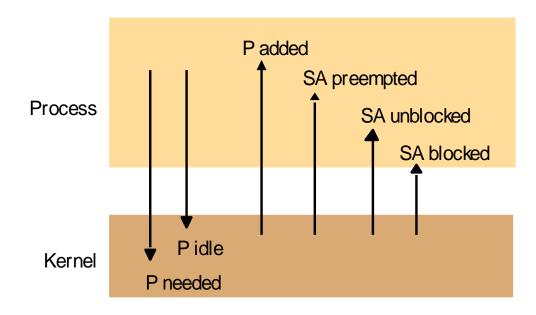
object.notify(), object.notifyAll()

Wakes, respectively, one or all of any threads that have called *wait()* on *object*.

Thread Scheduling: preemptive vs. non-preemptive scheduling

Scheduler activations — kernel notifies user process' scheduler with an event





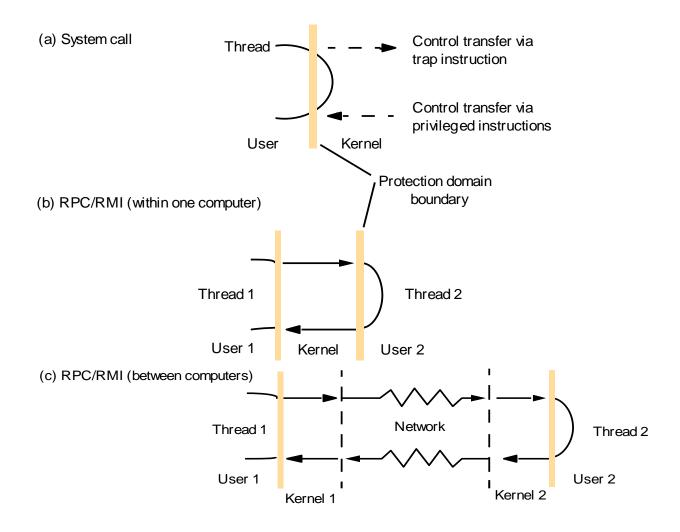
A. Assignment of virtual processors to processes

3 virtual processors are assigned to 2 processes (A, B). Virtual processor as kernel can assign different physical processor as time goes by.

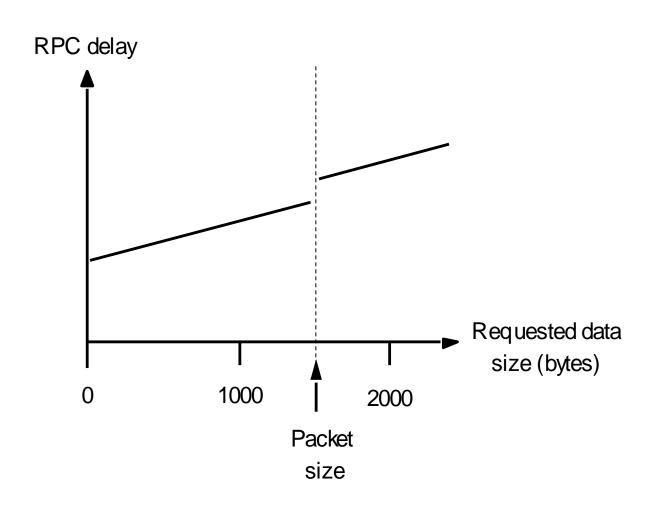
B. Events between user-level scheduler & kernel Key: P = processor; SA = scheduler activation

Process notifies kernel when processor (P) is idle or when extra P is needed. Kernel notifies P on any of the shown 4 events occur.

Operating System Support: Invocations between address spaces

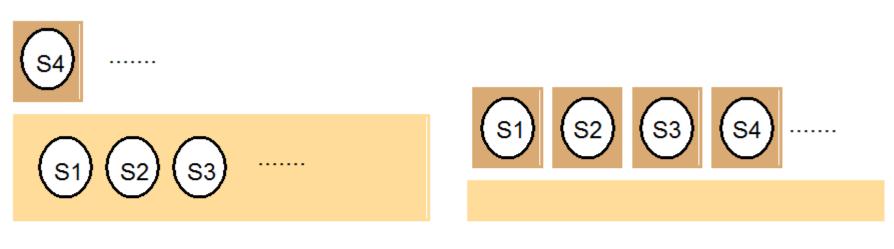


RPC delay against requested data size



A lightweight RPC Shared memory region Client Server A stack Α 1. Copyargs 4. Execute procedure and copy results User stub stub Kernel 2. Trap to Kernel 3. Upcall 5. Return (trap)

Monolithic kernel and microkernel



Monolithic Kernel

Microkernel

Server: Kernel code and data:

Key:

Dynamically loaded server program

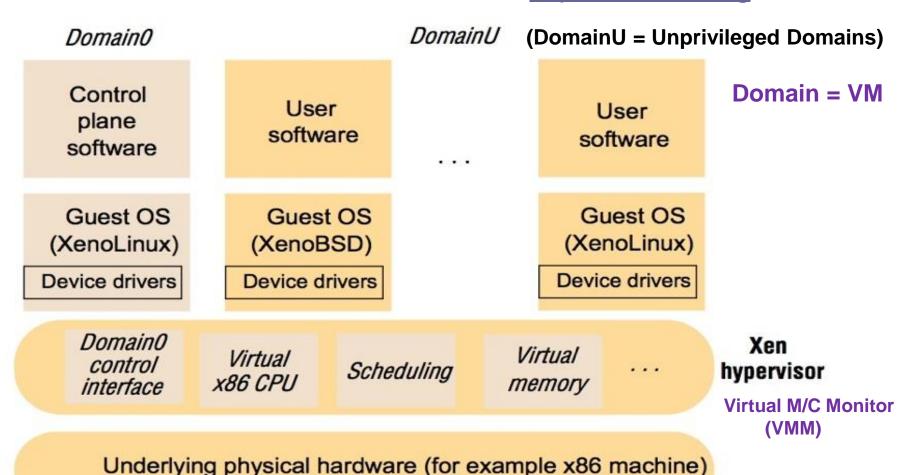
S1, S2, and S3 are kernel subsystems like file system, Scheduler, etc. S4 is an application user-level process

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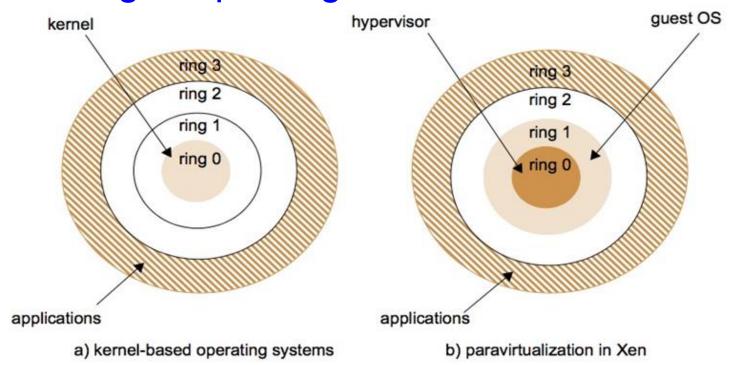
Operating System Support:

The architecture of Xen/VM

http://www.xen.org

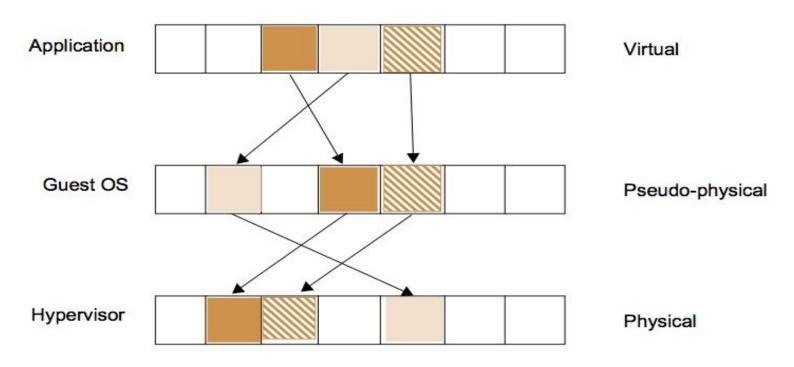


Use of rings of privilege



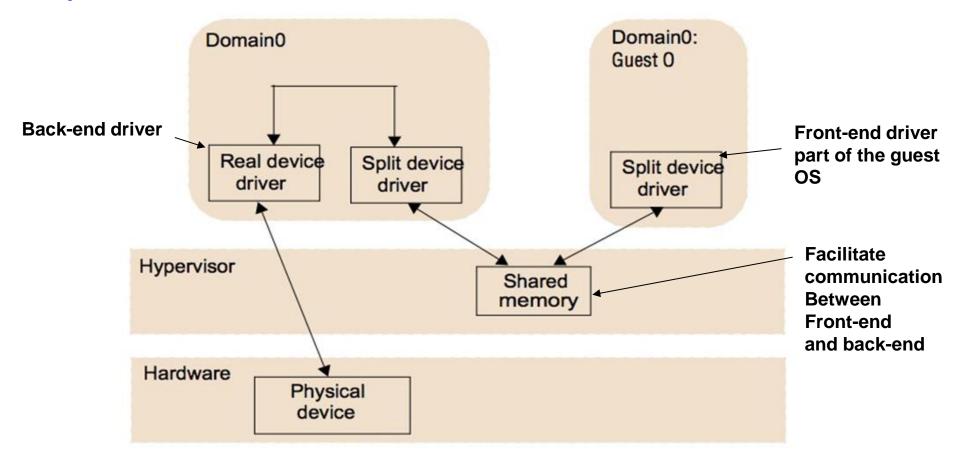
Kernel rings reflect sensitivity to the different M/C instructions (privileged vs. nonprivileged). The problem is some of these non-privileged instructions are sensitive instructions with side effect. Instead of simulating all instruction and map them into real M/C instructions which would allow us full control on all instructions, Paravirtualization, executes many instructions directly on the bare hardware and only privileged instructions are trapped and dealt with in the hypervisor. Unfortunately, this means you need to re-write the OS to deal with these sensitive non-privileged instructions.

Virtualization of memory

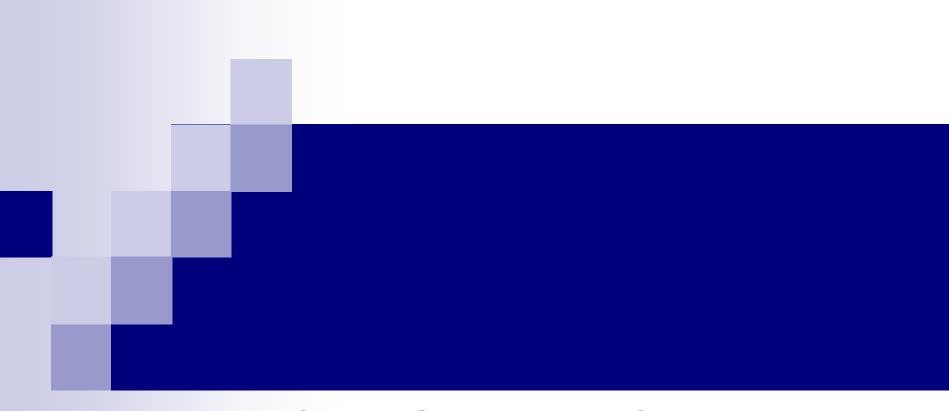


- **Hypervisor** is responsible for managing physical memory in terms of pages
- Hypervisor allocates physical page to Domains on-demand
- Pseudo-physical address space provides the abstraction of contagious pseudo-physical memory by maintaining mapping between this pseudo-physical and real physical memory. This mapping need to be managed by the guest OS and not the hypervisor.

Split device drivers



Access to physical device is controlled exclusively by Domain0.



Case Study: RPC

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RPC: Why

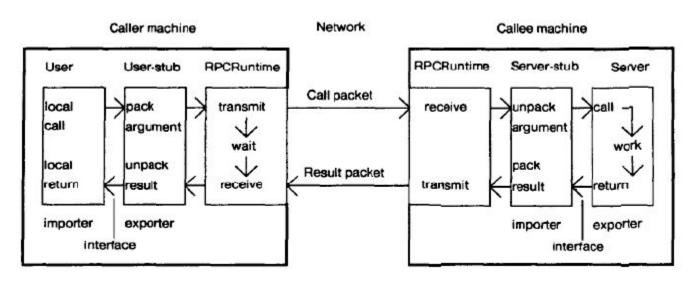
- Familiar paradigm (local procedure call), simple semantics
- **Provides runtime distribution transparency**
- Productive environment as the stub compiler generates the difficult code for you such as marshalling and unmarshalling
- General purpose: client and server can be written in different languages with no dependencies.
- Code generated by the stub compiler will use Messages to communicate between client and server.
- Examples: SUN RPC or CORBA IDL

RPC: Alternatives

- Messages like sockets: too much work and risk of code bugs
- **Distributed shared memory:** requires hardware support and it is expensive
 - ☐ UMA is not scalable
 - □ NUMA is very expensive

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RPC: Architecture



The components of the system, and their interactions for a simple call.

- You need to write the server interface in IDL
- Compile the IDL file and that generates:
 - Client stub: code that marshall client invocation and turn into message to be sent to the skeleton code in the server process, as well as unmarshall the response to return the result to the client code. The client stub after compilation will need to be linked with your client-side application



RPC: Architecture

- Server Skeleton: code that unmarshall client message request and does local function call on the server function, as well as marshall the server function output to send back to the client stub
- Header file that will be needed to compile both the client stub and server skeleton.
- Client and server code can be written in different programming languages such as Java, C, C++, etc.
- The client stub will locate the remote receiver (server skeleton)
- Marshalling is also known as serialization, and unmarshalling is known as de-serialization



RPC: Architecture

- Typically RPC calls are blocking/synchronous calls, however you can emulate asynchronous behavior by creating child thread that invokes the client stub and the parent thread can do something else you need synchronization between the parent and child threads.
- Communications between stub and skeleton is connectionless.
- Sever Skelton supports idempotent operations via repeat/reply cache

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