

- What happens when we hit URL in browser?
- What constitutes a URL?

Human-readable way
to know what we are
interested in domain

Optional KV pairs we
can pass to additional
optional info in the request

`https://www.google.com/api/search?q=home`

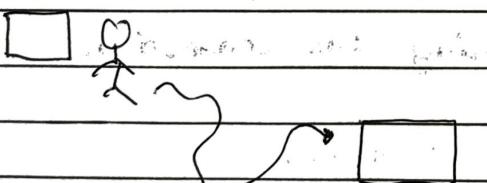
scheme

path

Tells browser which
protocol to use while
connecting other
scheme: http, ws, etc

on the product we are
accessing, I am interested
in this path / resource.

- The DNS resolution.



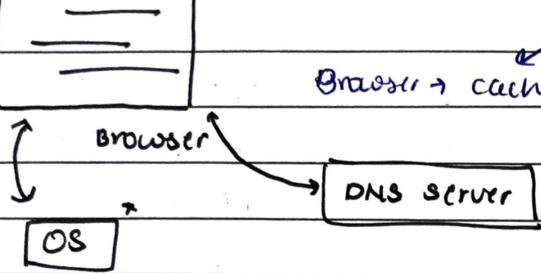
Every machine on the internet
has an "address" enabling
us to reach it over the
network,

↳ this is IP address

* easier to remember "google.com" than the IP address.
Hence, we need a way that converts
`google.com` → `17.63.21.253`



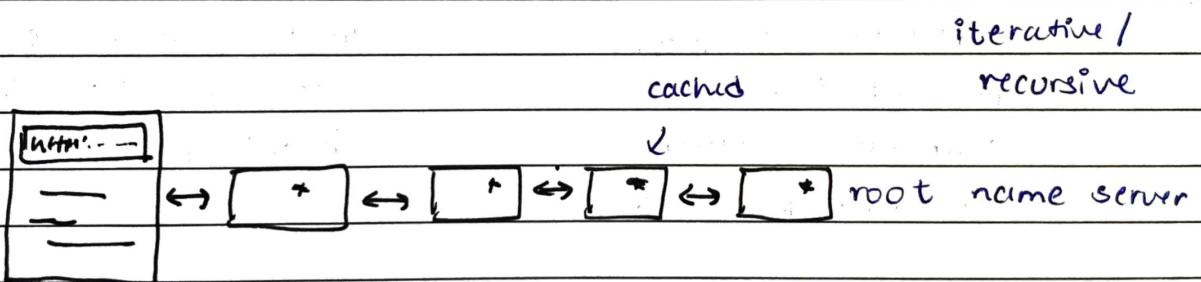
Browser does a DNS lookup to get the associated IP address.



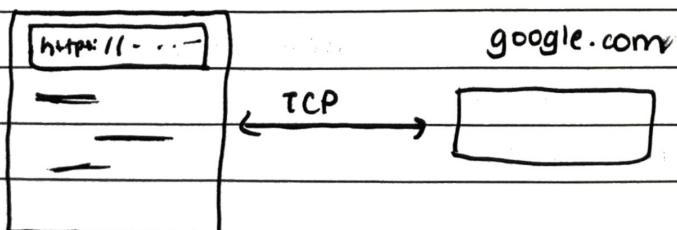
Browser → cached: DNS information is heavily cached

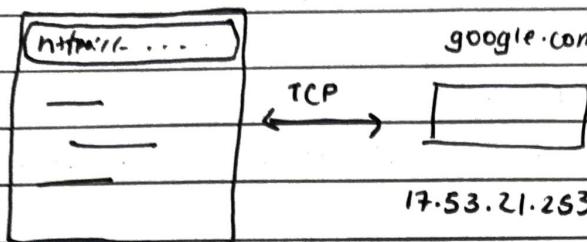
IP at google → not going to change
in the browser in the operating system across all machines of DNS resolution

What looks like a simple call, actually involves look of machine

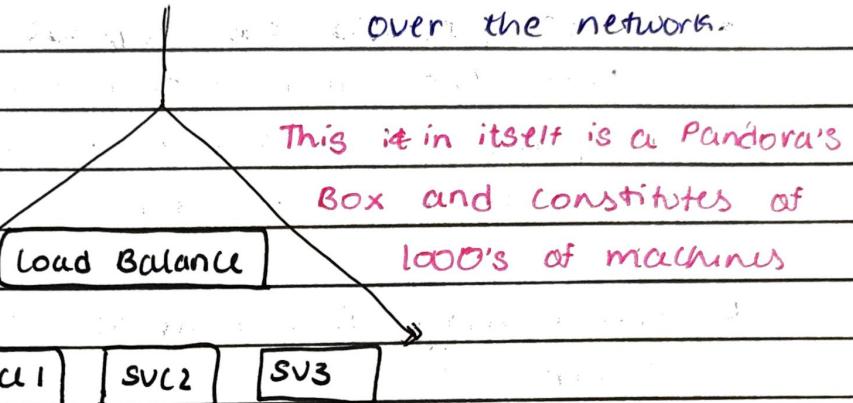


After this resolution process, browser has the IP address to connect to establishing the connection.





Browser now establishes a TCP connection with the machine [server] and can now talk to it over the network.



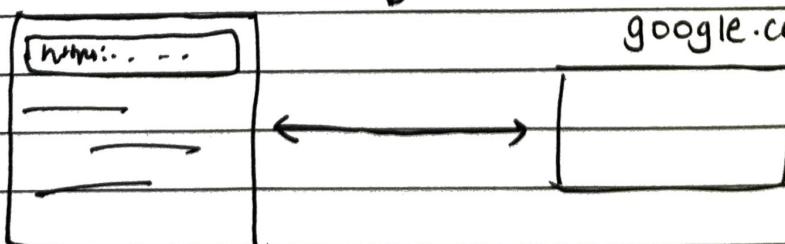
This in itself is a Pandora's Box and constitutes of 1000's of machines

Sending the request :-

Browser now compiles the request into HTTP specification and sends it across to the server.

GET /api/search?q=home HTTP/1.1	gives we are just hitting URL in browser
Host : www.google.com	it fires an HTTP GET to the server
connection : keep-alive	HEADERS ↳ instructions to server + meta data

google.com



- why protocol exist "

— / —

- + HTTP is protocol that specifies :

1. how to pack the data
2. what to do before, during & after the request

- Server processes the request :

Once the server reci receives the HTTP request,
it parses the above message and understands
what needs to be done.

- * Server may just load the file from local disk &
server

it may make call to database to get responses

it may throw error if malformed

it complies a proper HTTP responses

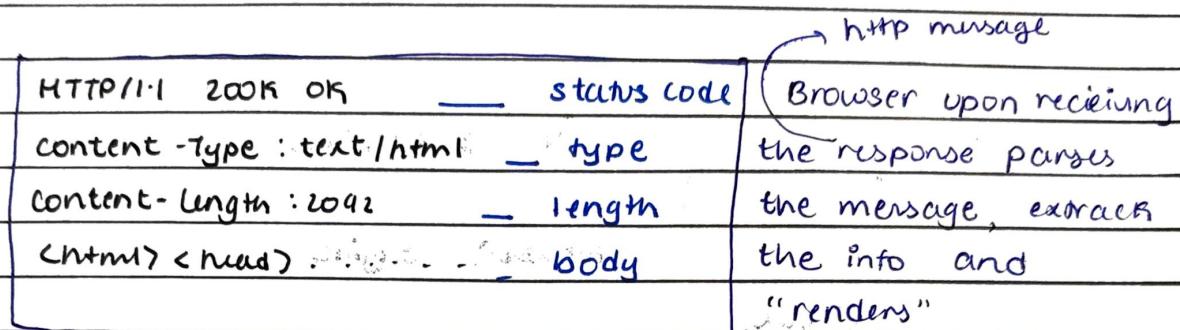
and respond back over same TCP connection
(html, text, JSON, etc)

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

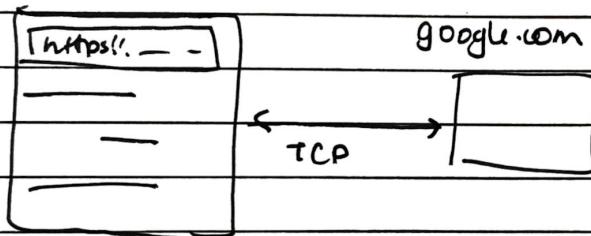
Content-Type : text/html

Content-Length : 2042

- Browser upon receiving the response :



↳ showing html as html
 text as text , etc



* if browser does not support the response type then it downloads the file locally.

- When HTML is rendered, browser may come across
 - 1. linked CSS file
 - 2. img tags to render, an image
 - 3. inline Javascript code
- ↳ it fetches the additional files by going through the exact same procus.

↳ starts executing it
 [may involve making more HTTP requests]
 ↳ API calls