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2 – Application Layer Socket Programming

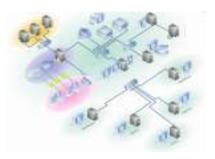
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Objectives

→ Socket Programming with TCP and UDP





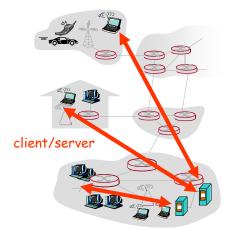
Client-Server Architecture

Server:

- ✓ Always-on host;
- ☑ Permanent IP address;
- ☑ Server farms for scaling.

Clients:

- ☑ Communicate with server;
- ☑ May be intermittently connected;
- ☑ May have dynamic IP addresses;
- Do not communicate directly with each other.



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Socket Programming

<u>Goal:</u> Learn how to build client/server applications that communicate using sockets

Socket API:

- → Introduced in BSD4.1 UNIX, 1981;
- Client/Server paradigm;
- → Two types of transport service via socket API:
 - ☑ Unreliable datagram;
 - ☑ Reliable, byte stream-oriented .

socket

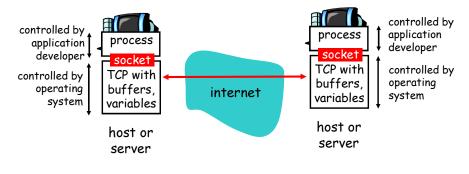
A host, local, application-created, OS-controlled interface (a "door") into/from which application process can send/receive messages to/from another application process.



Socket Programming using TCP

<u>Socket:</u> a door between application process and the end-end-transport protocol (UDP or TCP);

TCP service: reliable transfer of bytes from one process to another.



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Socket Programming using TCP

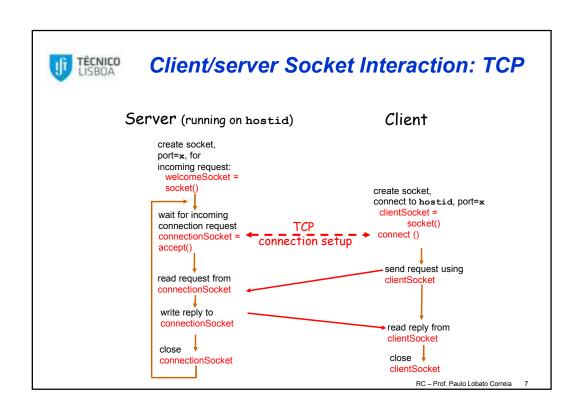
Client must contact server:

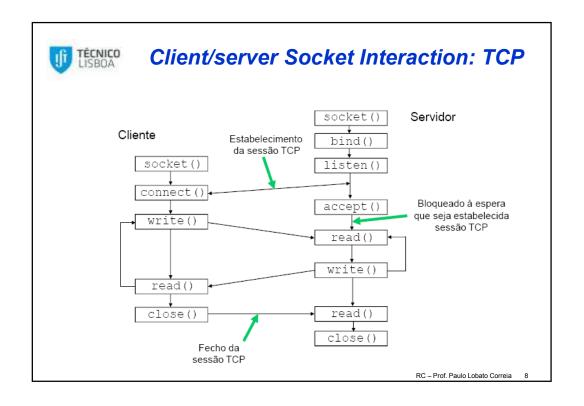
- Server process must first be running;
- → Server must have created socket (door) to welcome client contacts.

Client contacts server by:

- Creating client-local TCP socket;
- Specifying IP address, port number of server process;
- → When client creates socket:
 - Client TCP establishes connection to server TCP.
- → When contacted by client, server TCP creates new socket for communication between server and client:
 - Allows server to talk with multiple clients;
 - ☑ Source port numbers are used to distinguish clients.

TCP provides reliable, in-order transfer of bytes ("pipe") between client and server

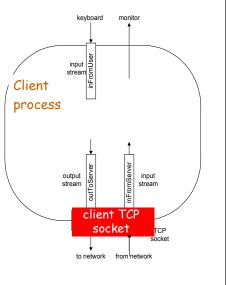






Sockets: Streams

- → A stream is a sequence of characters that flow into or out of a process.
- → An input stream is attached to some input source for the process, e.g., keyboard or socket.
- → An output stream is attached to an output source, e.g., monitor or socket.



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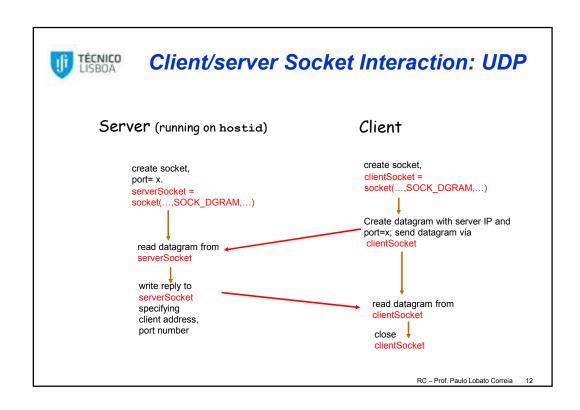
Socket Programming with UDP

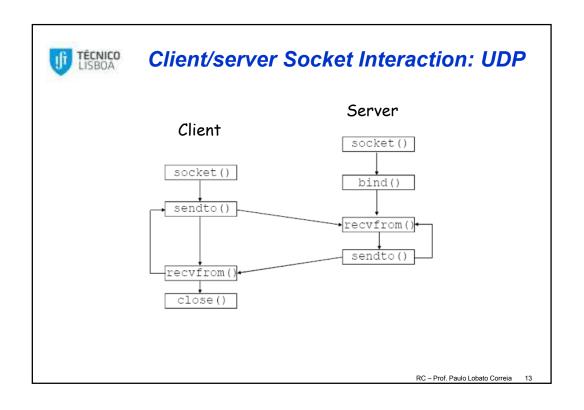
UDP – no "connection" between client and server:

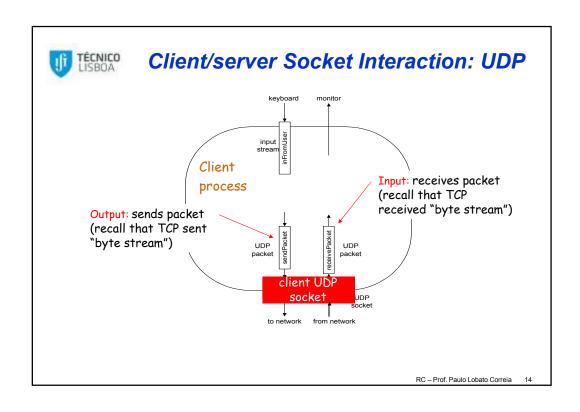
- → No handshaking;
- → Sender explicitly includes IP address and port of destination to each packet;
- Server must extract IP address and port of sender from the received packet.

UDP – transmitted data may be received out of order, or lost!

UDP provides <u>unreliable</u> transfer of groups of bytes ("datagrams") between client and server









Socket Programming: TCP vs UDP

TCP:

- → read() and write();
- → Byte stream (and no byte is lost);
- → Bytes read with read() may correspond to several write();
- → Bytes written with write() may need to be read with several read();

UDP:

- → sendto() and recvfrom();
- → Preserves boundary between messages;
- → Each message read with recvfrom() corresponds to a single sendto();
- → A message may be lost.