Network Programming

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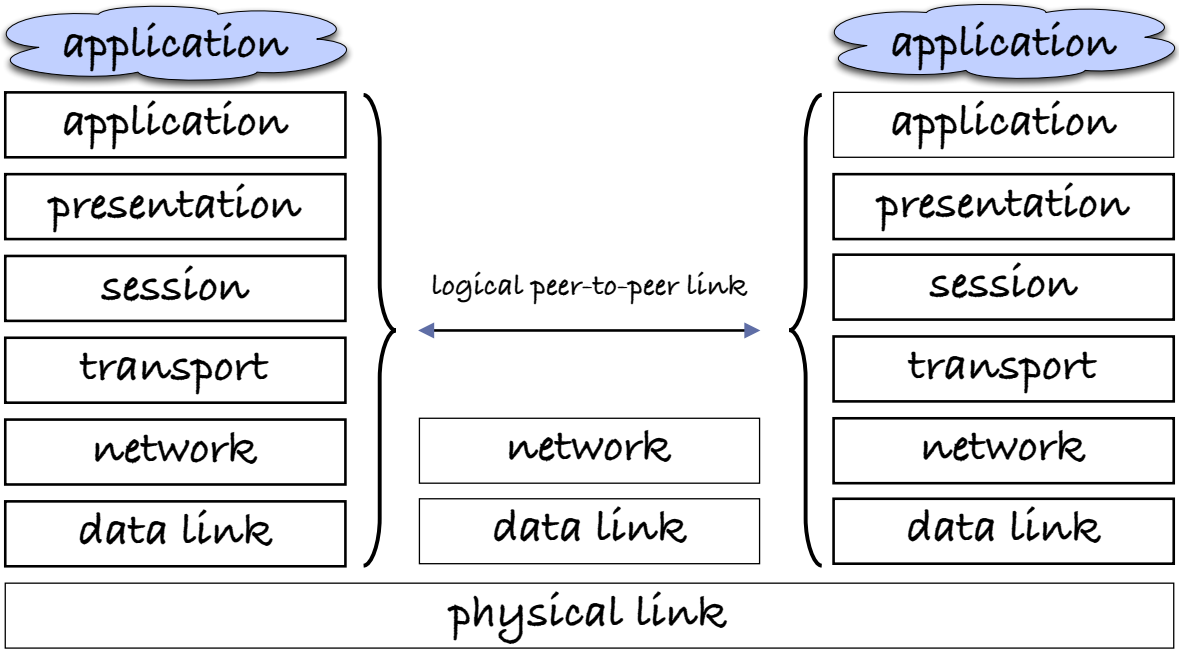
Network programming

- Network programming is not distributed programming (somewhat lower-level)
- They both rely on:
  - computers as processing & storage resources
  - a network and a common protocol stack
- But network programming lacks:
  - naming and location transparency
  - an integrated programming & operating model (usually achieved thanks to a middleware)

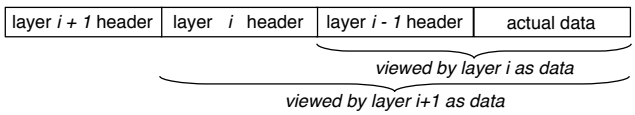
The OSI model (1)



The OSI model (2)

Physical link	physical medium, electrical/optical signal processing.
Data link	grouping of bits into blocks, error detection/correction, local address format, medium access layer.
Network	global address format, routing of data packets (no flow control).
Transport	end-to-end connection, flow control, retransmission, order.
Session	failure detection & reconnection in case of crashes.
Presentation	standard data representation (e.g., marshaling convention).
Application	basic application-level functionality (http, ftp, smtp, etc.).

Data encapsulation:



The Internet: some history

- In the middle of the cold war, early 1970s, the Department of Defense (DOD) decides to build a set of tools for interconnecting computer networks.
- The responsibility of this task falls on the Advance Research Project Agency (ARPA), which develops the ARPAnet protocol suite. A key design issue of ARPAnet was to resist to the massive destruction resulting from a nuclear attack.
  - ⇒ Fully distributed architecture (no single point of failure)
- In the 1980s, the ARPAnet technology, also named TCP/IP (after its two main building blocks), spreads into the academic community (also very distributed), which had developed it.

TCP/IP

TCP = Transmission Control Protocol

IP = Internet Protocol

- It Is cornerstone of the Internet
- It is de facto standard
- It is an often misunderstood technology
- It is an old yet alive protocol suite

The OSI model & TCP/IP

Internet Protocol (IP) ⇔ Network Layer (OSI n° 3)

- Packet oriented
- Routing with best-effort guarantee
- Error detection
- Datagram fragmentation

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) ⇔ Transport Layer (OSI n° 4)

- Stream oriented
- Reliability guarantee
- FIFO order guarantee

Host addressing with IP (1)

- An IP address is used by the IP protocol (Network Layer) to name hosts (computers) and routers.
- An IP address consists of 32-bits (4 bytes) and is usually written in dotted decimal format, e.g., 130.223.171.8

Class	First byte	Networks	Hosts	Address format
A	1-126	$2^7 - 2 = 126$	$2^{24} - 2 = 16'777'214$	net id | host id
B	128-191	$2^{14} = 16'384$	$2^{16} - 2 = 65'534$	net id | host id
C	192-223	$2^{21} = 2'097'152$	$2^8 - 2 = 254$	net id | host id
D	224-239	-	-	multicast
E	240-247	-	-	reserved

Host addressing with IP (2)

- Address 127.x.y.z is the loopback address (local)

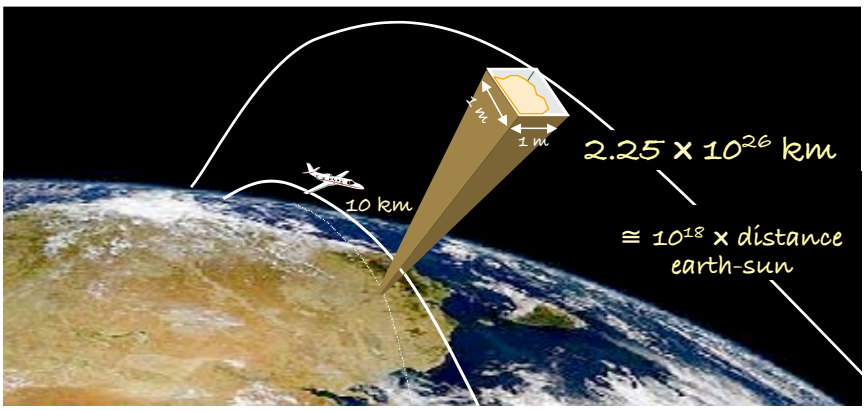
Class	Format
A	0NNNNNNN . HHHHHHHH . HHHHHHHH . HHHHHHHH
B	10NNNNNN . NNNNNNNN . HHHHHHHH . HHHHHHHH
C	110NNNNN . NNNNNNNN . NNNNNNNN . HHHHHHHH
D	1110MMMM . MMMMMMMM . MMMMMMMM . MMMMMMMM
E	1111RRRR . RRRRRRRR . RRRRRRRR . RRRRRRRR

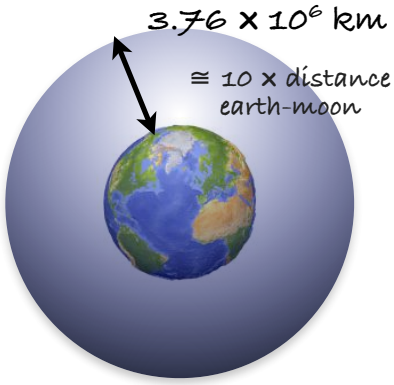
N **network ID bits**
H **host ID bits**
M **multicast address bit**
R **reserved bits**

Towards IPv6

Addresses encoded on 128 bits

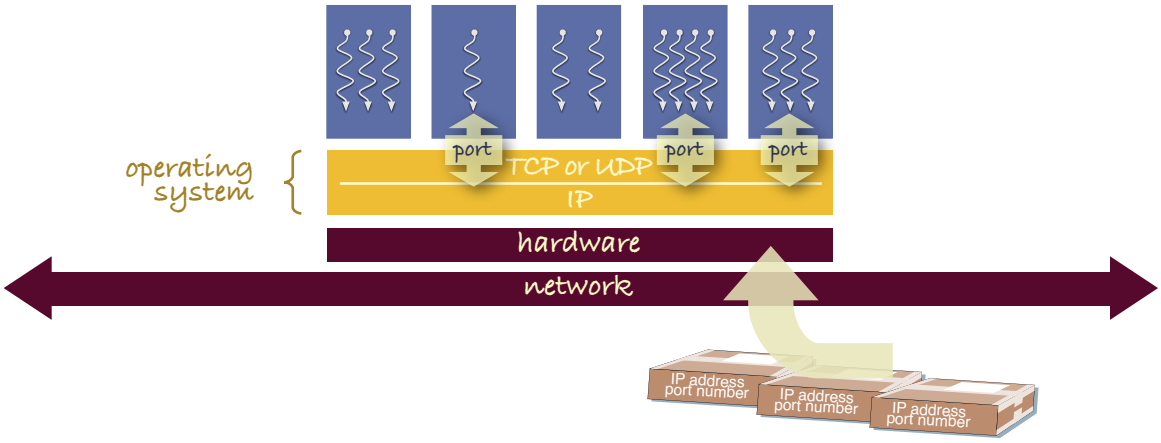
⇒ $2^{128} > 3.4 \times 10^{38}$ addresses are available





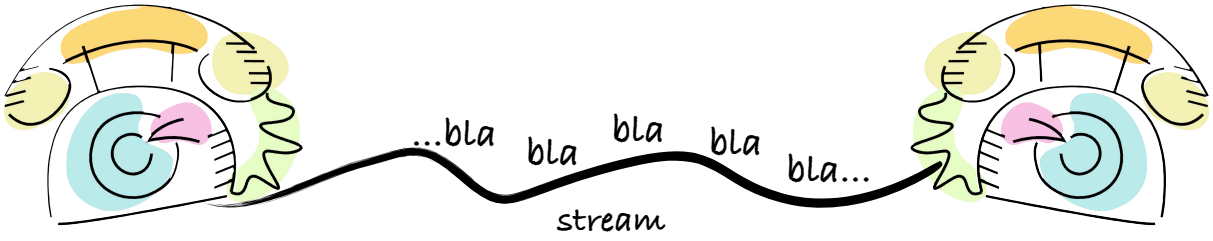
Naming applications

Within a single host, applications are named (addressed) using ports. At the operating system level, this is known as port multiplexing.

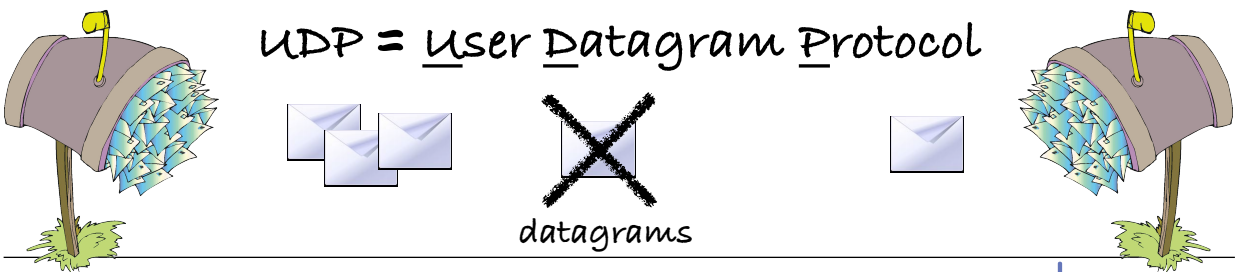


TCP *versus* UDP (1)

TCP = Transmission Control Protocol



UDP = User Datagram Protocol



TCP *versus* UDP (2)

TCP and UDP exhibit dual features:

	connection oriented	reliable channels	fifo ordering	message boundaries
TCP	YES	YES	YES	NO
UDP	NO	NO	NO	YES

The Socket abstraction

- Sockets are programming abstractions that represent bidirectional communication endpoints between two or more processes
- There exists two types of sockets : TCP sockets and UDP sockets
- In Java, sockets are instances of various classes found in the java.net package

TCP Sockets

- Because TCP is connection-oriented, we have two classes for TCP sockets in Java:

Client

```
public class Socket {
    ...
    public
    Socket(String host, int port) {...}
    public
    OutputStream getOutputStream() {...}
    public
    InputStream getInputStream() {...}
    public
    void close() {...}
    ...
}
```

Server

```
public class ServerSocket {
    ...
    public
    ServerSocket(int port) {...}
    public
    Socket accept() {...}
    ...
}
```

- This captures the asymmetry when establishing a communication channel

TCP sockets: server side

```
public class DictionaryServer {
    private static Dictionary dico= new Hashtable();
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        ServerSocket connectionServer= null; Socket clientSession= null;
        PrintWriter out= null; BufferedReader in= null;
        dico.put("inheritance", "héritage"); dico.put("distributed", "réparti"); // Etc...
        try {
            connectionServer = new ServerSocket(4444);
            clientSession = connectionServer.accept();
            out = new PrintWriter(clientSession.getOutputStream(), true);
            in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(clientSession.getInputStream()));
            String word, mot;

            while ( (word = in.readLine()) != null ) {
                mot= (String) dico.get(word);
                if (mot == null) mot= "sorry, no translation available for \"" + word + "\" !";
                out.println(mot);
            }
            out.close(); in.close(); connectionServer.close(); clientSession.close();
        } catch (IOException e) {
            System.out.println(e); System.exit(1);
        }
    }
}
```

TCP sockets: client side

```
public class DictionaryClient {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Socket mySession= null; PrintWriter out= null;
        BufferedReader in= null; BufferedReader stdIn= null;
        try {
            if (args.length < 1) { System.out.println("Hostname missing."); System.exit(1); }
            mySession = new Socket(args[0], 4444);
            out = new PrintWriter(mySession.getOutputStream(), true);
            in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(mySession.getInputStream()));
            stdIn = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
            String fromServer, fromUser;

            System.out.println("Go on, ask the dictionary server!");
            while ( !(fromUser = stdIn.readLine()).equals("quit") ) {
                out.println(fromUser);
                fromServer= in.readLine();
                System.out.println("-> " + fromServer);
            }
            out.close(); in.close(); stdIn.close(); mySession.close();
        } catch (UnknownHostException e) {
            System.err.println("Host Unknown: " + args[0]); System.exit(1);
        } catch (IOException e) {
            System.err.println("No connection to: " + args[0]); System.exit(1);
        }
    }
}
```


Streams in Java (1)

- Streams offer a unified programming abstraction for reading and writing data
- Streams can encapsulate various types of data sources, e.g., files, byte arrays in memory, sockets, etc.
- Streams can encapsulate other streams to stack up processing of the data
- In Java, streams are instances of various classes found in the java.io package

Streams in Java (2)

```
…
Socket clientSession= connectionServer.accept();
BufferedReader in= new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(clientSession.getInputStream()));
…
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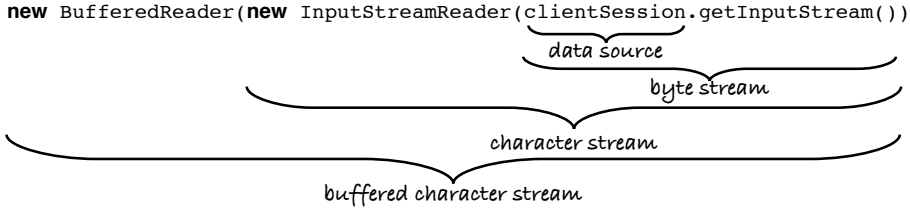


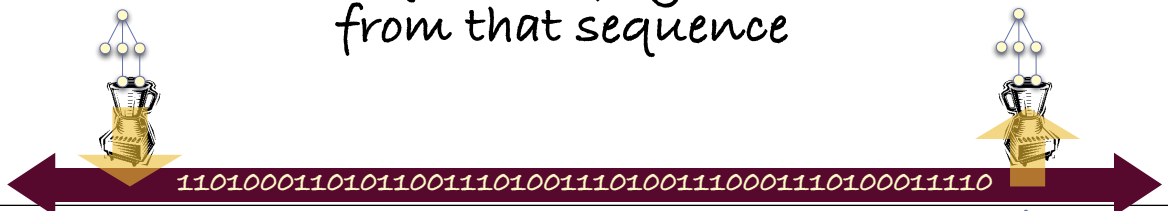
- Printer and writer classes are special streams manipulating only characters
- Standard operating systems-level input and output streams are also accessed via Java streams (System.in & System.out)

Objects through the wire (1)

Fact: the network knows nothing about objects, only about bytes

Problem: how can we send a complete object graph across the network?

Solution: almost any Java object can be automatically transformed into a sequence of bytes and recreated from that sequence



Objects through the wire (2)

- The process of transforming an object graph into a byte sequence is known as serialization or marshaling
- By implementing the java.io.Serializable interface, an object becomes serializable
- Two special stream classes allow for writing and reading objects :

```
ObjectOutputStream out = new ObjectOutputStream(clientSession.getOutputStream());
out.writeObject(myCollection);

ObjectInputStream in= new ObjectInputStream(clientSession.getInputStream());
Collection yourCollection = (Collection) in.readObject();
```


UDP Sockets

- Because UDP is connectionless, we have only one class for UDP sockets in Java:

```
public class DatagramSocket {
    ...
    public
    DatagramSocket() {...}   // Let the system choose a port
    public
    DatagramSocket(int port) {...}
    public
    void send(DatagramPacket packet) {...}
    public
    void receive(DatagramPacket packet) {...}
    public
    void close() {...}
    ...
}
```

```
public class DatagramPacket {
    ...
    public
    DatagramPacket(...) {...}
    public
    byte[] getData() {...}
    public
    InetAddress getAddress() {...}
    ...
}
```

- However, the DatagramPacket is also a key class when working with UDP sockets

UDP sockets: server side

```
public class QuoteServer   {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        DatagramSocket socket = null;
        BufferedReader in = null;
        socket = new DatagramSocket(4445);
        in = new BufferedReader(new FileReader("one-liners.txt"));
        String quote = null;
        boolean moreQuotes= true;

        while (moreQuotes) {
            byte[] buf= new byte[256];
            DatagramPacket packet = new DatagramPacket(buf, buf.length);
            socket.receive(packet);
            quote = in.readLine();
            if (quote == null)  { moreQuotes= false; buf= ("No more, bye!").getBytes();}
            else { buf = quote.getBytes(); }
            InetAddress address = packet.getAddress();
            int port = packet.getPort();
            packet = new DatagramPacket(buf, buf.length, address, port);
            socket.send(packet);
        }
        socket.close();
    }
}
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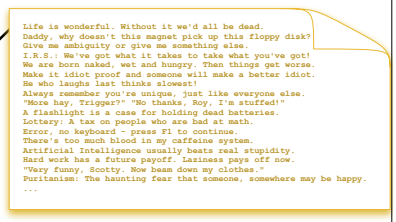
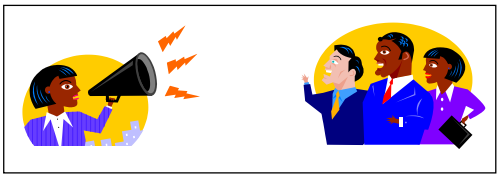


UDP sockets: client side

```
public class QuoteClient {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        if (args.length != 1) { System.out.println("Missing hostname"); System.exit(1); }
        DatagramSocket socket = new DatagramSocket();
        InetAddress address = InetAddress.getByName(args[0]);
        BufferedReader stdIn = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
        System.out.println("Go on, ask for a quote by typing return!");
        while ( !stdIn.readLine().equals("quit") ) {
            byte[] buf = new byte[256];
            DatagramPacket packet = new DatagramPacket(buf, buf.length, address, 4445);
            socket.send(packet);
            packet = new DatagramPacket(buf, buf.length);
            socket.receive(packet);
            String received = new String(packet.getData());
            System.out.println("-> " + received);
        }
        socket.close();
    }
}
```

UDP Multicast



- A multicast allows for one-to-many communication in an anonymous way
- A multicast address is an address between 224.0.0.0 and 239.255.255.255, and defines a so-called multicast group
- In Java, multicast is available thanks to a the MulticastSocket class:
  - Methods joinGroup() and leaveGroup() allow a receiver to respectively join and leave a multicast group
  - Method setTimeToLive() allows a sender to restrict the number of hubs its sent messages are going through

UDP Multicast: sender

```
public class MulticastQuoteSender   {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        MulticastSocket socket = null;
        BufferedReader in = null;
        socket = new MulticastSocket();
        socket.setTimeToLive(1);
        in = new BufferedReader(new FileReader("one-liners.txt"));
        String quote = null;
        boolean moreQuotes= true;

        while (moreQuotes) {
            Thread.currentThread().sleep(500);
            byte[] buf = new byte[256];
            quote = in.readLine();
            if (quote == null)  { moreQuotes= false; buf= ("No more, bye!").getBytes();}
            else { buf = quote.getBytes(); }
            InetAddress group = InetAddress.getByName("230.0.0.1");
            DatagramPacket packet = new DatagramPacket(buf, buf.length, group, 4446);
            socket.send(packet);
        }
        socket.close();
    }
}
```

UDP Multicast: receiver

```
public class MulticastQuoteReceiver {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        try {
        MulticastSocket socket = new MulticastSocket(4446);
        InetAddress group = InetAddress.getByName("230.0.0.1");
        socket.joinGroup(group);
        while (true) {
            byte[] buf = new byte[256];
            DatagramPacket packet = new DatagramPacket(buf, buf.length);
            System.out.print("Waiting for the next quote: ");
            socket.receive(packet);
            String received = new String(packet.getData());
            System.out.println(received);
            if ( received.indexOf("bye") != -1 ) break;
        }
        socket.leaveGroup(group);
        socket.close();
        } catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```