

# Socket Programming

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## Socket programming

Goal: learn how to build client/server application that communicate using sockets

### Socket API

- introduced in BSD4.1 UNIX, 1981
- explicitly created, used, released by apps
- client/server paradigm
- two types of transport service via socket API:
  - unreliable datagram
  - reliable, byte stream-oriented

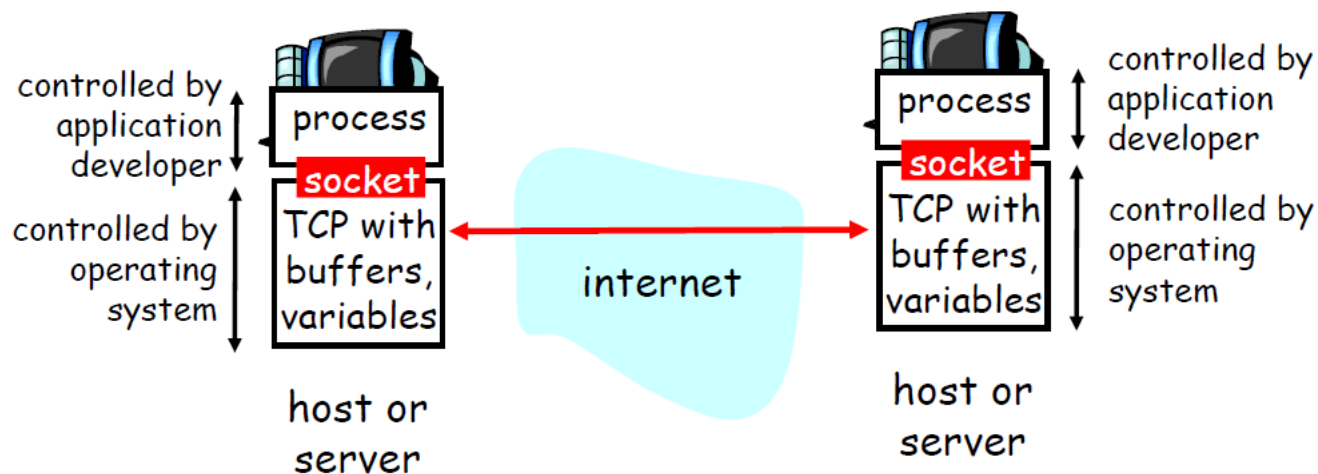
### socket

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

## Socket-programming using TCP

Socket: a door between application process and end-end-transport protocol (UCP or TCP)

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



## Socket programming *with TCP*

### Client must contact server

- server process must first be running
- server must have created socket (door) that welcomes client's contact

### 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 server process to communicate with client
  - allows server to talk with multiple clients
  - source port numbers used to distinguish clients (*more in Chap 3*)

### application viewpoint

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

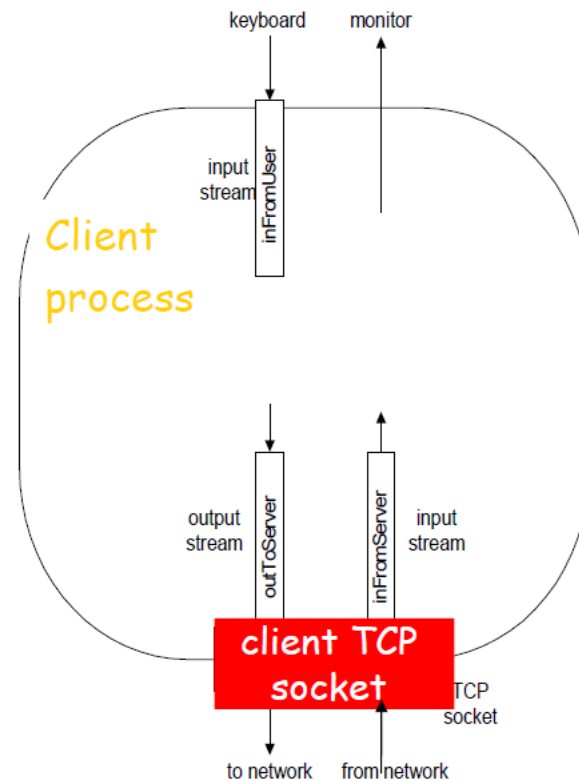
## Stream jargon

- 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, eg, keyboard or socket.
- An **output stream** is attached to an output source, eg, monitor or socket.

## Socket programming with TCP

### Example client-server app:

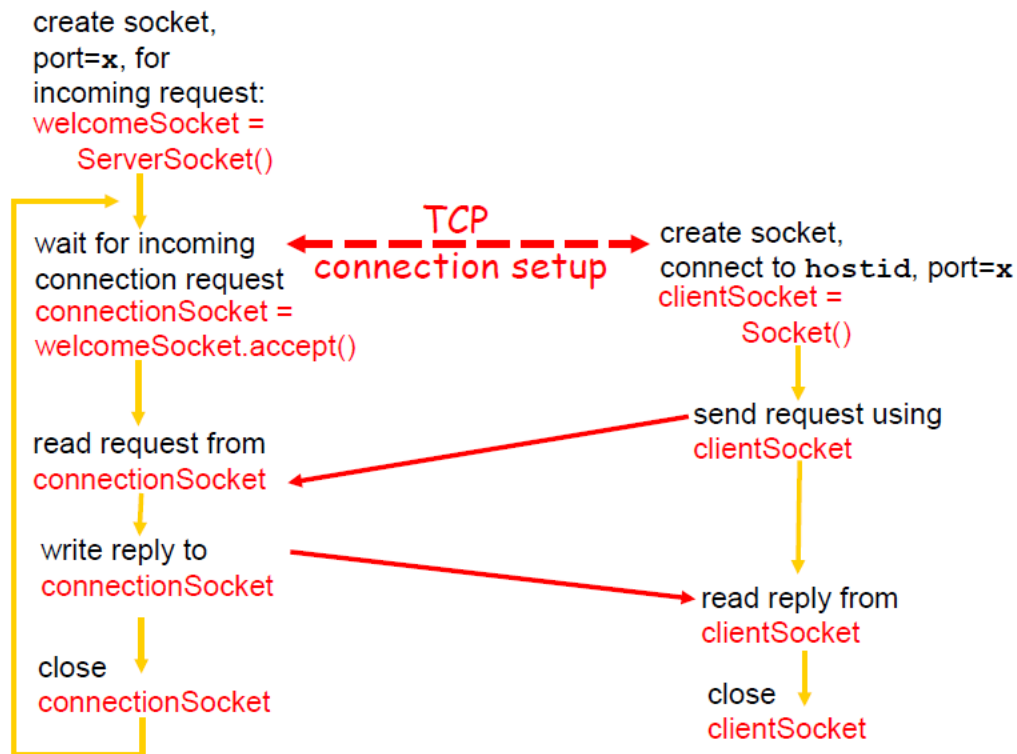
- 1) client reads line from standard input (`inFromUser` stream) , sends to server via socket (`outToServer` stream)
- 2) server reads line from socket
- 3) server converts line to uppercase, sends back to client
- 4) client reads, prints modified line from socket (`inFromServer` stream)



## Client/server socket interaction: TCP

Server (running on `hostid`)

Client



## Example: Java client (TCP)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
class TCPClient {
```

```
    public static void main(String argv[]) throws Exception
    {
```

```
        String sentence;
        String modifiedSentence;
```

Create input stream	→	BufferedReader inFromUser = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
Create client socket, connect to server	→	Socket clientSocket = new Socket("hostname", 6789);
Create output stream attached to socket	→	DataOutputStream outToServer = new DataOutputStream(clientSocket.getOutputStream());



## Example: Java client (TCP), cont.

```

    Create
    input stream ]
    attached to socket ] BufferedReader inFromServer =
                        new BufferedReader(new
                        InputStreamReader(clientSocket.getInputStream()));

    sentence = inFromUser.readLine();

    Send line ]
    to server ] outToServer.writeBytes(sentence + '\n');

    Read line ]
    from server ] modifiedSentence = inFromServer.readLine();

    System.out.println("FROM SERVER: " + modifiedSentence);

    clientSocket.close();

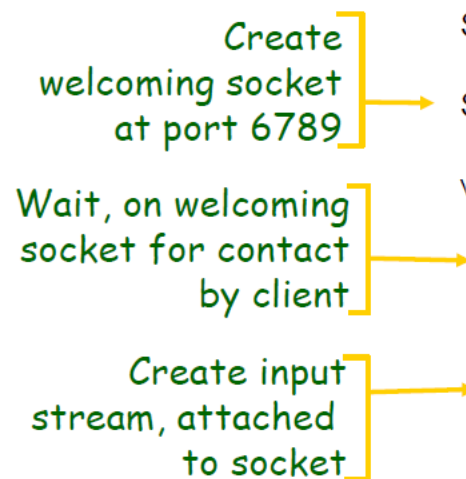
    }
}
```

## Example: Java server (TCP)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;

class TCPServer {

    public static void main(String argv[]) throws Exception
    {
        String clientSentence;
        String capitalizedSentence;

        
        Create welcoming socket at port 6789 → ServerSocket welcomeSocket = new ServerSocket(6789);

        while(true) {

            Wait, on welcoming socket for contact by client → Socket connectionSocket = welcomeSocket.accept();

            Create input stream, attached to socket →
            BufferedReader inFromClient =
            new BufferedReader(new
            InputStreamReader(connectionSocket.getInputStream()));
        }
    }
}
```

## Example: Java server (TCP), cont

```
while (true) {
    DataOutputStream outToClient =
        new DataOutputStream(connectionSocket.getOutputStream());

    clientSentence = inFromClient.readLine();

    capitalizedSentence = clientSentence.toUpperCase() + '\n';

    outToClient.writeBytes(capitalizedSentence);
}
```

Create output stream, attached to socket

Read in line from socket

Write out line to socket

End of while loop, loop back and wait for another client connection