Socket clients and servers



Overview

- Networking basics
 - IP Addresses (review)
 - Port numbers (review)
 - Reliability, connecting, latency, firewalls
- Single threaded examples
 - Magic-8 ball
 - Magic-8 ball persistent
- Multi-threaded servers
 - Magic-8 ball multi-threaded server
 - Shared key/value server

Client1 @ 192.168.1.100



% java Magic8Client 150.131.202.152 5000

Client2 @ 192.168.1.110



% java ValueClient katie.mtech.edu 6000

Client3 @ 192.168.1.120



% java ValueClient 150.131.202.152 6000

Server @ 150.131.202.152 katie.mtech.edu



% java Magic8Server 5000

% java ValueServer 6000

Thread 1

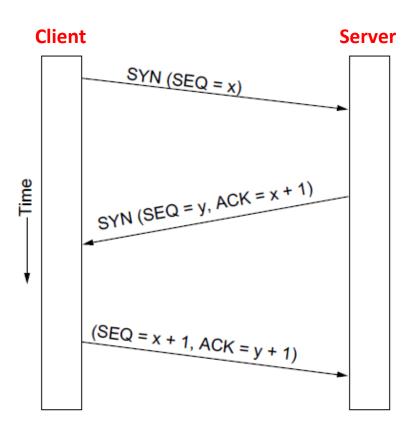
Thread 2

Reliability

- Socket communication
 - We'll be using TCP (Transmission Control Protocol)
 - TCP/IP, TCP over IP (Internet Protocol)
 - IP is the de facto standard for messages on the Internet
 - IP is "best-effort" delivery
 - Messages may or may not get there
 - Messages may get reordered in transit
 - Lucky for us, TCP provides reliable and in-order delivery
 - You can be sure what you read/write will get there

Establishing a connection

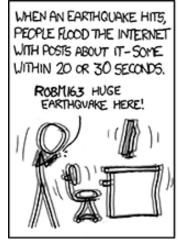
- Starting a socket connection:
 - 3 way handshake
 - Connection takes a bit to startup
 - Keep around if you have an ongoing conversation

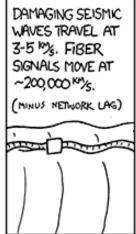


Latency

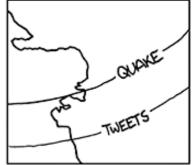
Signals only go so fast

Medium	Speed of light
Vacuum	3.0 x 10 ⁸ m/s
Copper cable	2.3 x 10 ⁸ m/s
Optical fiber	2.0 x 10 ⁸ m/s





THIS MEANS WHEN THE SEISMIC WAVES ARE ABOUT 100 km OUT, THEY BEGIN TO BE OVERTAKEN BY THE WAVES OF POSTS ABOUT THEM.



PEOPLE OUTSIDE THIS RADIUS MAY GET WORD OF THE GUAKE VIA TWITTER, IRC, OR SMS BEFORE THE SHAKING HITS.

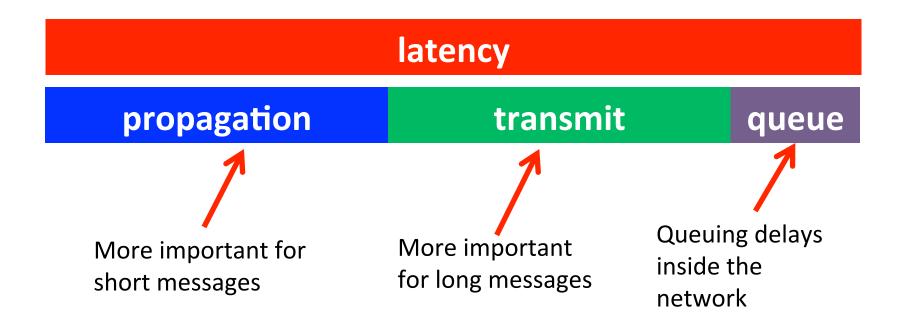
WHOA!
EARTHQUAKE!



http://xkcd.com/723/

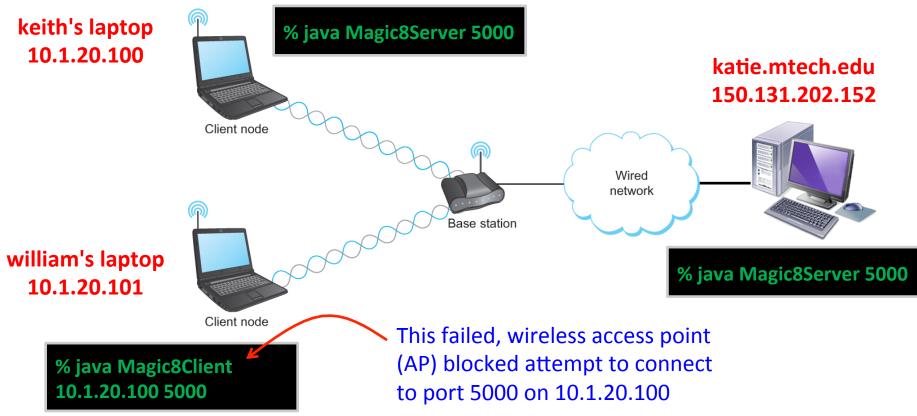
Latency

- latency = propagation + transmit + queue
- propagation = distance / speed of light
- transmit = size / bandwidth



Firewalls

- Network device/software may thwart connection
 - e.g. On the same network but device/software blocks traffic on certain port numbers



Handy network utilities

- ping <hostname, IP address>
 - See if you can reach the destination
 - Though some hosts may disable response
 - Time to get a tiny msg there and back (round trip time)

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% ping keithv.com
Pinging keithv.com [69.164.194.211] with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 69.164.194.211: bytes=32 time=123ms TTL=44
Reply from 69.164.194.211: bytes=32 time=123ms TTL=44
Reply
      % ping katie.mtech.edu
Reply
      Pinging katie.mtech.edu [150.131.202.152] with 32 bytes of
Ping
      data:
      Request timed out.
Approx
      Request timed out.
      Request timed out.
      Request timed out.
      Ping statistics for 150.131.202.152:
          Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 0, Lost = 4 (100\% loss),
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Handy network utilities

- ipconfig (Windows), ifconfig (Mac/unix)
 - Find out your wired/wireless IP address

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c:\ipconfig

Windows IP Configuration

Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection:

Connection-specific DNS Suffix : passcall
  Link-local IPv6 Address : : fe80::615f:559:cfb6:8d35%10
  IPv4 Address : : : 192.168.1.6
  Subnet Mask : : : : 255.255.255.0
  Default Gateway : : : 192.168.1.1
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Magic 8 ball: Internet Edition

• Server:

- katie.mtech.edu wired network
- Public IP address
- Running on port 5000
- Delivering 1 of 20 messages
- Services only a single client at a time

Client(s):

- My laptop on the wireless network
- Your laptop on the wireless network
- Private IP address
- Displays message from the server



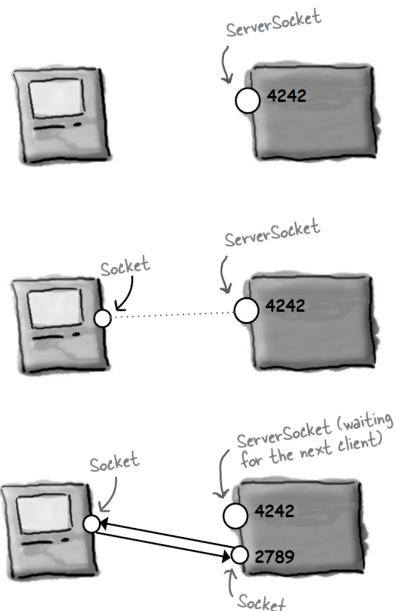
Magic 8 ball: Persistent connections

- Original version:
 - One prediction per connection setup/teardown
- Persistent version:
 - Establish a protocol between client and server

Client	Server
	Wait for client
Make connection to server	
	Send first fortune
Receive first fortune	
Send "MORE"	
	Receive command
	Send second fortune
Receive second fortune	
Send "QUIT"	
Close socket	Close socket

Magic 8 ball: Multi-threaded server

- Problem with persistent version:
 - One client can hog the 8ball for a very long time
- Multi-threaded server:
 - Spawn a thread to handle each incoming client
 - Server's main thread can then go back to waiting for a new incoming client



Programming activity

- Create a client to GET/PUT values on server
 - Connect to my server: katie.mtech.edu, port 5000
 - Server stores a shared HashMap of (key, value) pairs
 - Client reads a line in from StdIn
 - Protocol:
 - Client starts, sends single line of text:
 - GET <key>
 - PUT <key> <value>
 - PRINT
 - QUIT
 - Server returns a single line of text, one of:
 - RESULT <key> <value>
 - OK
 - ERROR
 - List of key value pairs

Summary

- Networking and sockets
 - IP addresses, port numbers
 - Getting connected:
 - Setup expense
 - Firewall problems
 - Message delivery is:
 - Reliable and in order (at least how we're currently doing it)
 - Incurs some latency to travel over the interpipes
- Building socket client/servers
 - One-hit wonder versus persistent interaction
 - Single threaded versus multi-threaded server

