CMSC 332 Computer Networks Transport Layer

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Announcements

- Project 3 I will be posted soon. Be on the lookout!
- Project 2 will be graded Friday. I'll look at
 - Source
 - Correct conventions
 - Correct source code title!
 - Documentation!!!!!!!!
 - Functionality



Chapter 3: Transport Layer

Our goals:

- understand principles behind transport layer services:
 - multiplexing/ demultiplexing
 - reliable data transfer
 - flow control
 - congestion control

- learn about transport layer protocols in the Internet:
 - UDP: connectionless transport
 - TCP: connection-oriented transport
 - TCP congestion control



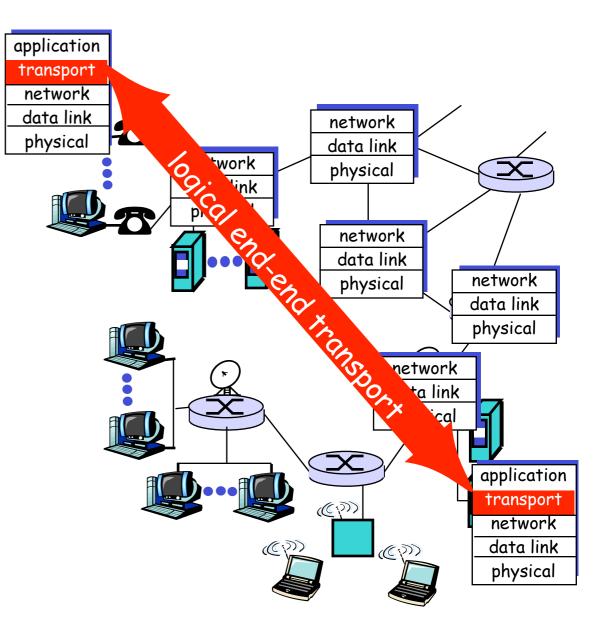
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Transport services and protocols

- provide logical communication between app processes running on different hosts
- transport protocols run in end systems
 - send side: breaks app messages into segments, passes to network layer
 - rcv side: reassembles segments into messages, passes to app layer
- more than one transport protocol available to apps
 - Internet: TCP and UDP



Transport vs. Network layer

- network layer: logical communication between hosts
- transport layer: logical communication between processes
 - relies on, enhances, network layer services



Household analogy:

- 12 kids sending letters to 12 kids
- processes = kids
- app messages = letters in envelopes
- hosts = houses
- transport protocol = Ann and Bill
- network-layer protocol = postal service

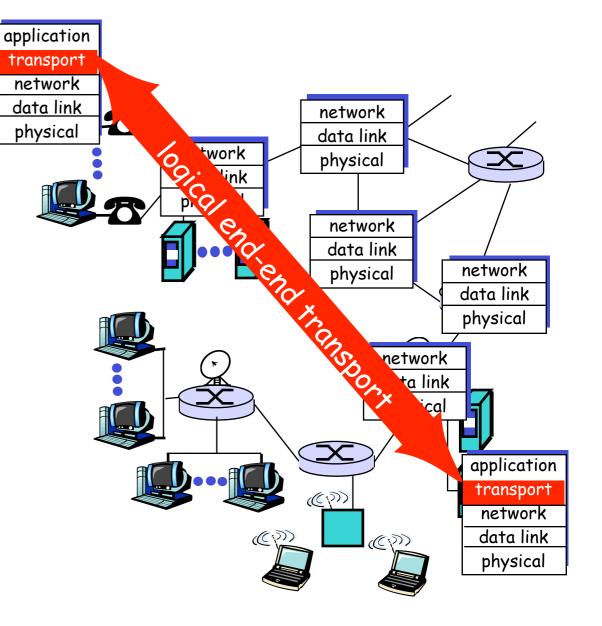
Layers of Networks?

- You can view each layer that we have discussed thus far as an abstract network:
 - Application Layer Networks: P2P, Social Networks, etc
 - Transport Layer Networks: Communicating processes
 - Network Layer Networks: Networks of Hosts
 - Link Layer Networks: One-Hop Networks
 - Physical Layer Networks: Wires



Internet transport-layer protocols

- reliable, in-order delivery (TCP)
 - congestion control
 - flow control
 - connection setup
- unreliable, unordered delivery: UDP
 - no-frills extension of "besteffort" IP
- services not available:
 - delay guarantees
 - bandwidth guarantees

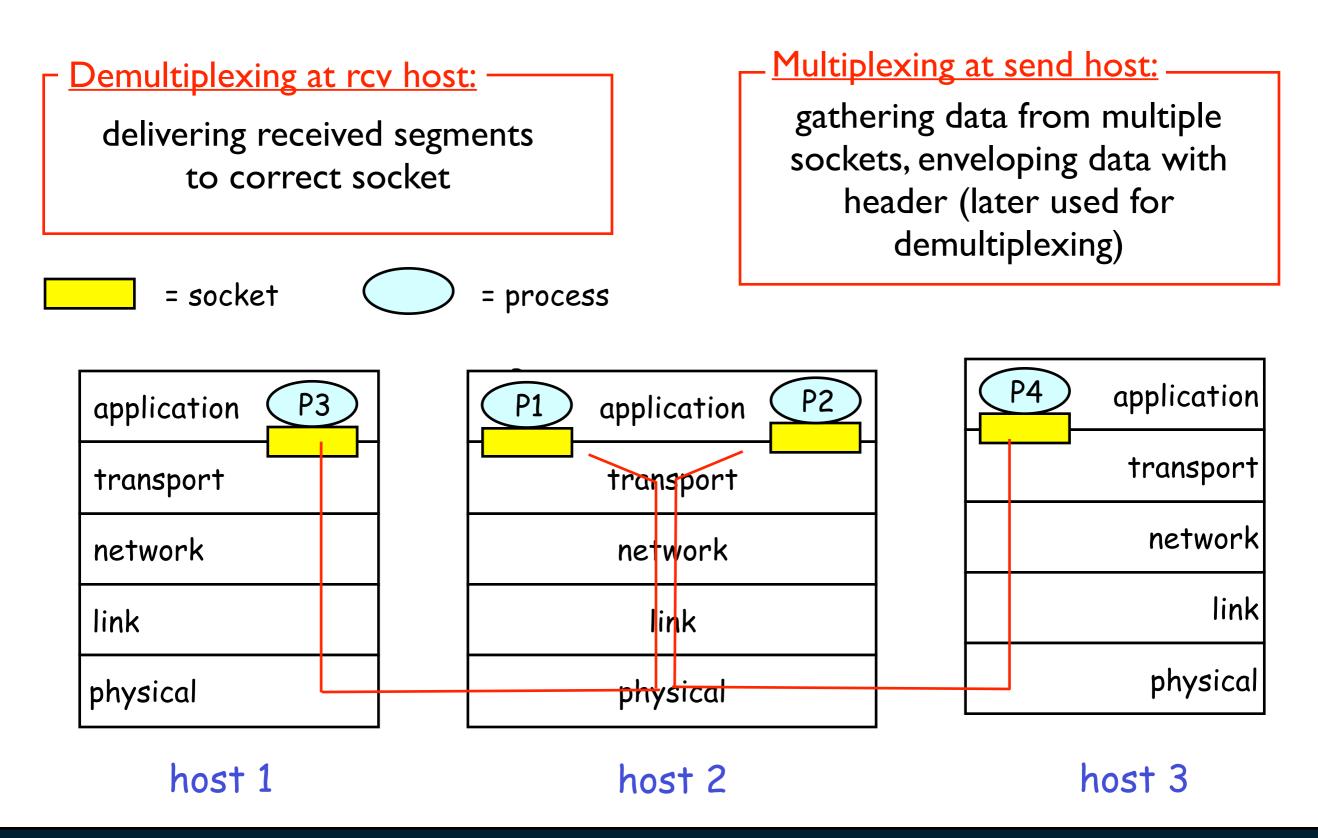


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Multiplexing/demultiplexing



How demultiplexing works

- host receives IP datagrams
 - each datagram has source IP address, destination IP address
 - each datagram carries I transport-layer segment
 - each segment has source, destination port number
- host uses IP addresses & port numbers to direct segment to appropriate socket

← 32 bits ─	
source port #	dest port #
other header fields	
application data (message)	

TCP/UDP segment format

Connectionless demultiplexing

• Create sockets with port numbers:

addr1.sin port = htons(12534);

addr2.sin_port = htons(12535);

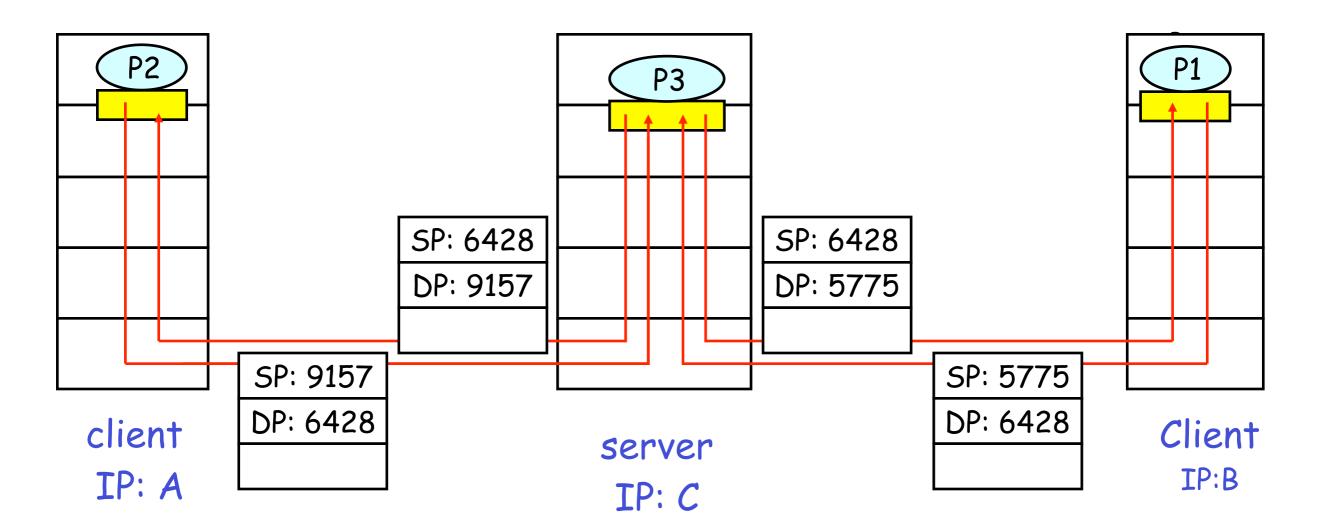
• UDP socket identified by twotuple:

(dest IP address, dest port number)



- When host receives UDP segment:
 - checks destination port number in segment
 - directs UDP segment to socket with that port number
- IP datagrams with different
 source IP addresses and/or
 source port numbers
 directed to same socket

Connectionless demux (cont)



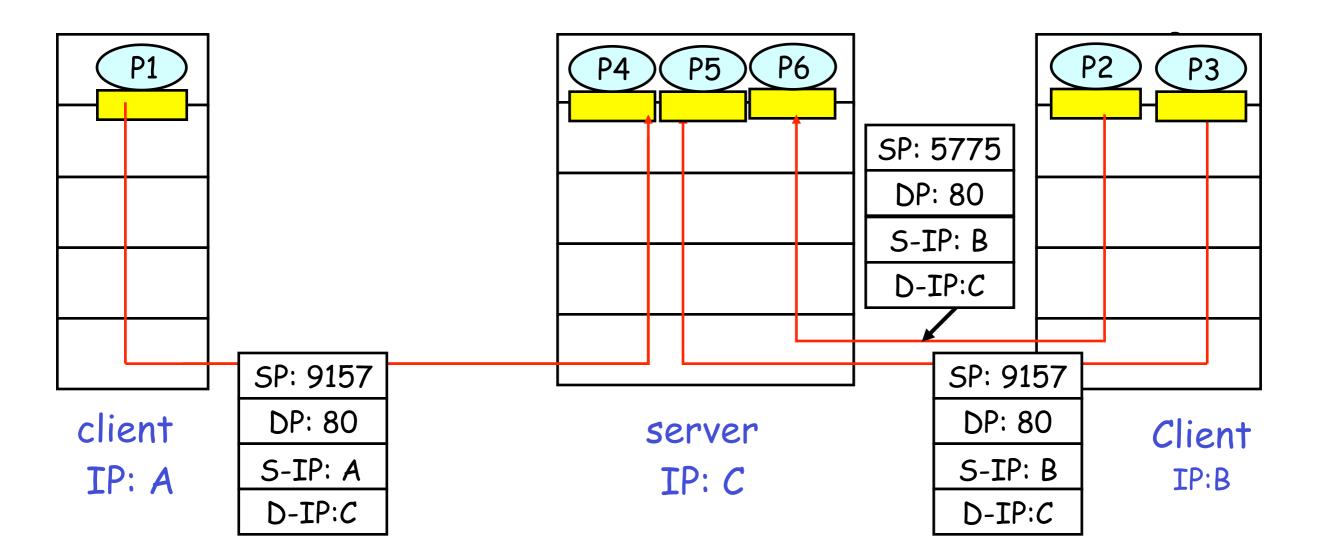
SP provides "return address"

Connection-oriented demux

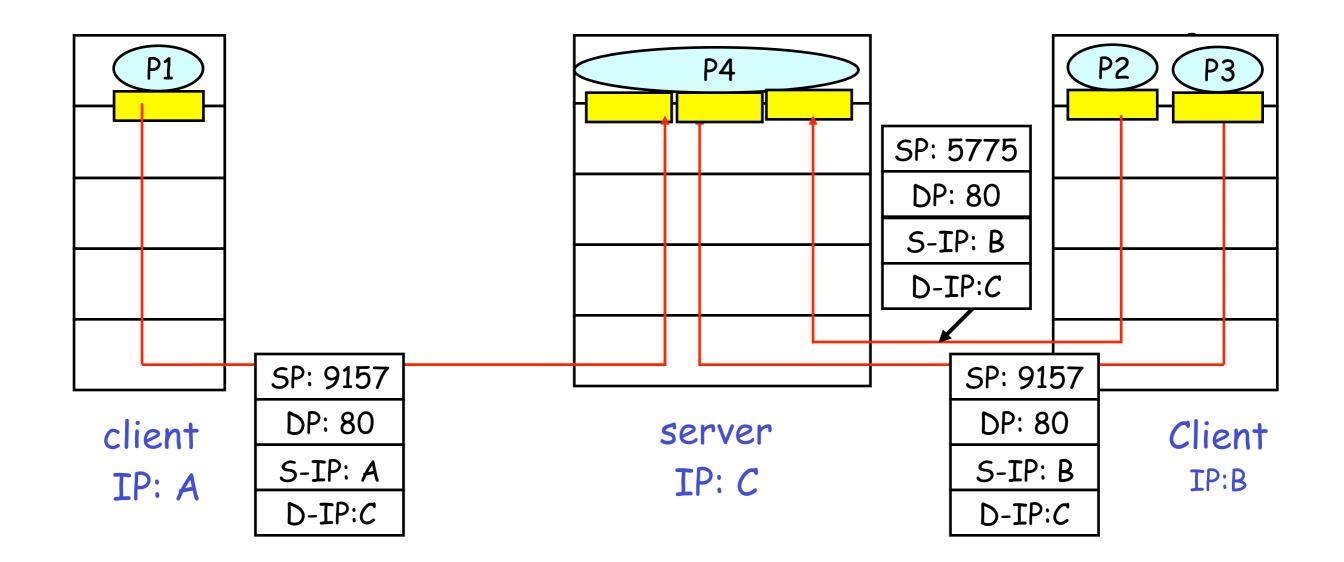
- TCP socket identified by 4-tuple:
 - source IP address
 - source port number
 - dest IP address
 - dest port number
- recv host uses all four values to direct segment to appropriate socket

- Server host may support many simultaneous TCP sockets:
 - each socket identified by its own 4-tuple
- Web servers have different sockets for each connecting client
 - non-persistent HTTP will have different socket for each request

Connection-oriented demux (cont)



Connection-oriented demux: Threaded Web Server



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UDP: User Datagram Protocol [RFC 768]

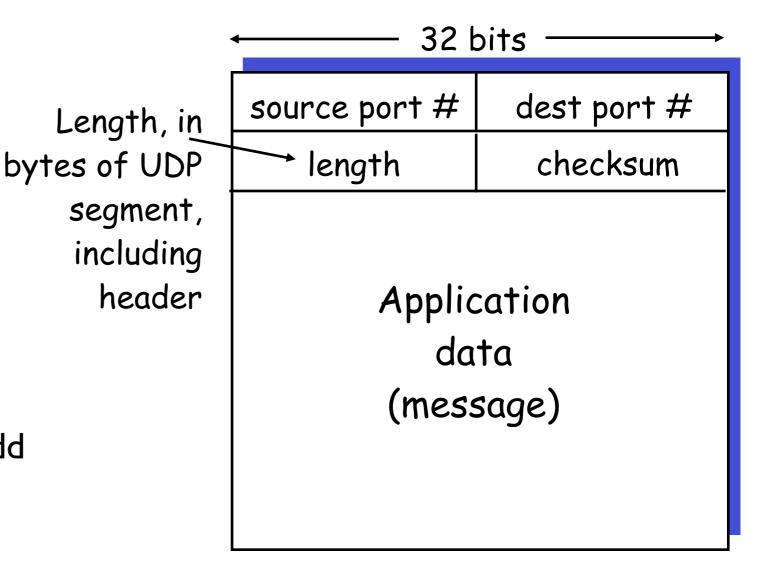
- "no frills," "bare bones"
 Internet transport protocol
- "best effort" service, UDP segments may be:
 - lost
 - delivered out of order to app
- connectionless:
 - no handshaking between UDP sender, receiver
 - each UDP segment handled independently of others

Why is there a UDP?

- no connection establishment (which can add delay)
- simple: no connection state at sender, receiver
- small segment header
- no congestion control: UDP can blast away as fast as desired

UDP: more

- often used for streaming multimedia apps
 - loss tolerant
 - rate sensitive
- other UDP uses
 - DNS
 - SNMP
- reliable transfer over UDP: add reliability at application layer
 - application-specific error recovery!



UDP segment format

Goal: detect "errors" (e.g., flipped bits) in transmitted segment

Sender:

- treat segment contents as sequence of 16-bit integers
- checksum: addition (1's complement sum) of segment contents
 - How is this different than 2's complement?
- sender puts checksum value into UDP checksum field

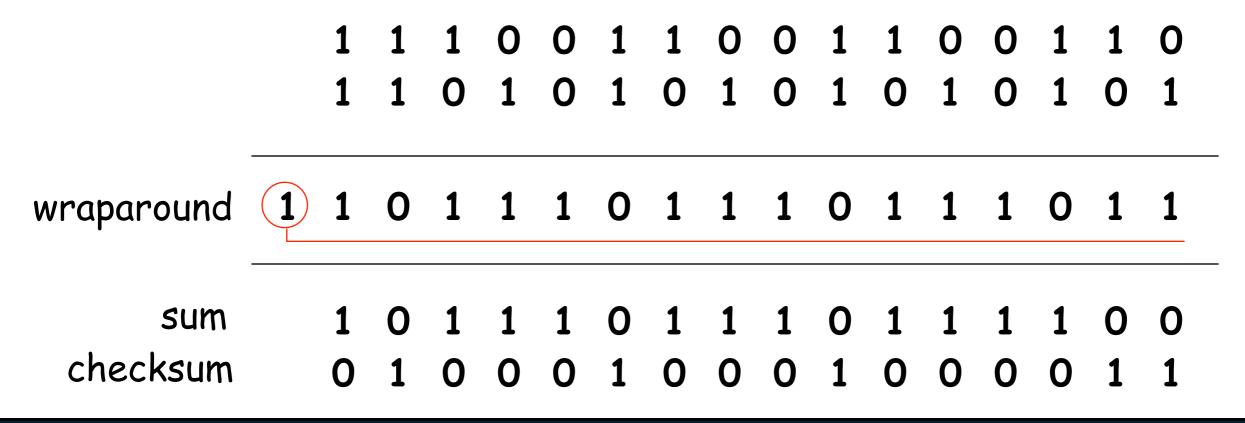
Receiver:

- compute checksum of received segment
- check if computed checksum equals checksum field value:
 - NO error detected
 - YES no error detected. But maybe errors nonetheless? More later

Internet Checksum Example

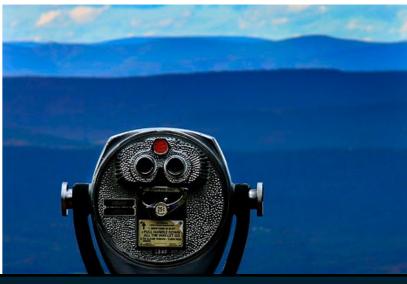
• Note

- When adding numbers, a carryout from the most significant bit needs to be added to the result
- Example: add two 16-bit integers



Port Scanning

- Technique used by black- and white-hat communities alike.
- Attempts to connect to a large number (usually all) of ports on a machine.
 - Successful responses mean that a process is running.
 - If you know what processes are running, you will be able to select the right exploit to launch.
 - Most firewalls offer some protection against this.
- This is happening *all the time* on the Internet.
 - The bad guys are constantly looking for a way in...



Port Scanning Tools

- *nmap* is the most popular tool for port scanning.
 - ...and it is free...
- By seeing which ports are active, nmap can tell a lot about your machine.
 - For instance, what OS you are running...
- Be careful to check with admins before running this!
 - Most admins will automatically shut you down if you run it...

31337	
# nmap -A -T4 scanme.nmap.org d0ze	
Starting Nmap 4.01 (http://www.insecure.org/nmap/) at 2006-03-20 15:53 PST Interesting ports on scanme.nmap.org (205.217.153.62):	
(The 1667 ports scanned but not shown below are in state: filtered) PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION	
22/tcp open ssh OpenSSH 3.9p1 (protocol 1.99)	
25/tcp opn smtp Postfix smtpd 53/tcp open domain ISC Bind 9.2.1	
70/tcp closed gopher	
80/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.0.52 ((Fedora)) 113/tcp closed auth	
Device type: general purpose	
Running: Linux 2.6.X OS details: Linux 2.6.0 - 2.6.11	
Uptime 26.177 days (since Wed Feb 22 11:39:16 2006)	
Interesting ports on d0ze.internal (192.168.12.3):	
(The 1664 ports scanned but not shown below are in state: closed)	
PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION	
21/tcpopenftpServ-Uftpd4.025/tcpopensmtpIMailNT-ESMTP7.152015-2	
25/tcpopensmtpIMail NT-ESMTP 7.15 2015-280/tcpopenhttpMicrosoft IIS webserver 5.0	
110/tcp open pop3 IMail pop3d 7.15 931-1	
135/tcp open mstask Microsoft mstask (task server - c:\winnt\system32\	
139/tcp open netbios-ssn	
445/tcp open microsoft-ds Microsoft Windows XP microsoft-ds	
1025/tcp open msrpcMicrosoft Windows RPC5800/tcp open vnc-httpUltr@VNC (Resolution 1024x800; VNC TCP port: 5900)	
MAC Address: 00:A0:CC:51:72:7E (Lite-on Communications)	
Device type: general purpose	
Running: Microsoft Windows NT/2K/XP	
OS details: Microsoft Windows 2000 Professional	
Service Info: OS: Windows	
Nmap finished: 2 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 42.291 seconds	
flog/bome/funder/pmap-misc/Screenshots/042006#	