

# Socket (1A)

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# Server Side Steps

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- Create a socket with the `socket()` system call
- Bind the socket to an address using the `bind()` system call. For a server socket on the Internet, an address consists of a port number on the host machine.
- Listen for connections with the `listen()` system call
- Accept a connection with the `accept()` system call. This call typically blocks until a client connects with the server.
- `Send` and `receive` data

# sockaddr

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```
int bind(int sockfd, const struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t addrlen);
```

When a socket is created,  
it exists in a name space (address family)  
but has no address assigned to it.  
bind() assigns the address specified by `addr`  
to the socket referred to by `sockfd`.  
`addrlen` specifies the size, in bytes,  
of the address structure pointed to by `addr`.

It is normally necessary to assign a local address using bind()  
before a SOCK\_STREAM socket may receive connections

# sockaddr

```
struct sockaddr {  
    sa_family_t sa_family;  
    char        sa_data[14];  
}
```

```
AF_INET      : ip  
AF_INET6     : ipv6  
AF_UNIX      : unix  
AF_APPLETALK : ddp  
AF_PACKET    : packet  
AF_X25       : x25  
AF_NETLINK   : netlink
```

Bind the socket to an **address**  
For a **server socket** on the Internet  
an address - a **port number** on the host machine.

# sockaddr\_in

```
struct sockaddr_in
{
    short          in_family; /* must be AF_INET */
    u_short        sin_port;
    struct in_addr sin_addr;
    char           sin_zero[8]; /* Not used, must be zero */
};
```

```
typedef uint32_t in_addr_t;
struct in_addr
{
    in_addr_t s_addr;
};
```

the IP address of the host. Server →  
the IP address of the server machine  
→ a symbolic constant INADDR\_ANY

```
struct sockaddr_in serv_addr, cli_addr;
bzero((char *) &serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr));
/* sets all values in a buffer to zero */
```

```
serv_addr.sin_family      = AF_INET;
serv_addr.sin_port        = htons(portno);
serv_addr.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY;
```

```
int portno;
portno = atoi(argv[1]);
```

```
bind(sockfd, (struct sockaddr *) &serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr))
```

# Endian

unsigned **long htonl**(unsigned **long**)  
host to network conversion for long ints (4 bytes)  
unsigned **short htons**(unsigned **short**)  
host to network conversion for short ints (2 bytes)  
unsigned **long ntohl**(unsigned **long**)  
network to host conversion for long ints  
unsigned **short ntohs**(unsigned **short**)  
network to host conversion for short ints

## Big endian:

the highest order byte is stored at A  
the lowest order byte is stored at address A+3.

## Little endian:

the least significant byte is stored at A  
the most significant byte is at address A+3.

Computer networks are big endian

# listen() and accept()

```
listen(sockfd,5);
```

5: the size of the **backlog queue**, i.e., the number of connections that can be **waiting** while the process is handling a particular connection.

```
struct sockaddr_in serv_addr, cli_addr;
```

```
clilen = sizeof(cli_addr);  
newsockfd = accept(sockfd, (struct sockaddr *) &cli_addr, &clilen);
```

The accept() system call causes the process to **block until** a client connects to the server.

This **wakes** up the process when a connection from a client has been successfully established.

It returns a **new file descriptor**, and **all communication on this connection should be done using the new file descriptor**.



# read() & write()

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```
bzero(buffer,256);  
n = read(newsockfd,buffer,255);
```

```
n = write(newsockfd,"I got your message",18);
```

# Client Side Steps

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- Create a socket with the `socket()` system call
- Connect the socket to the address of the server using the `connect()` system call.
- `Send` and `receive` data

# hostent

```
int          sockfd, portno, n;  
struct sockaddr_in  serv_addr;  
struct hostent     *server;
```

h\_name            Official name of the host.  
h\_aliases        A zero terminated array of alternate  
                 names for the host.  
h\_addrtype       The type of address being returned;  
                 C urrently always **AF\_INET**.  
h\_length         The length, in bytes, of the address.  
h\_addr\_list      A pointer to a list of network  
                 addresses for the named host.  
                 Host addresses are returned in  
                 network byte order.

```
struct hostent  
{  
  char    *h_name;      /* official name of host */  
  char    **h_aliases; /* alias list */  
  int     h_addrtype;  /* host address type */  
  int     h_length;    /* length of address */  
  char    **h_addr_list; /* list of addresses from name server */  
  #define h_addr h_addr_list[0] /* address, for backward compatibility */  
};
```

```
struct sockaddr_in  
{  
  short      in_family; /* must be AF_INET */  
  u_short    sin_port;  
  struct in_addr sin_addr;  
  char       sin_zero[8]; /* Not used, must be zero */  
};
```

```
typedef uint32_t in_addr_t;  
struct in_addr  
{  
  in_addr_t s_addr;  
};
```

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# gethostbyname()

```
int          sockfd, portno, n;  
struct sockaddr_in serv_addr;  
struct hostent    *server;
```

```
server = gethostbyname(argv[1]);
```

```
struct hostent *gethostbyname(char *name)
```

Takes such a **name** as an argument and returns a pointer to a **hostent** containing information about that host.

The field char **\*h\_addr** contains the **IP address**.

```
struct hostent  
{  
    char    *h_name;        /* official name of host */  
    char    **h_aliases;    /* alias list */  
    int     h_addrtype;     /* host address type */  
    int     h_length;       /* length of address */  
    char    **h_addr_list;  /* list of addresses from name server */  
    #define h_addr h_addr_list[0] /* address, for backward compatibility */  
};
```

# gethostbyname()

```
int          sockfd, portno, n;  
struct sockaddr_in serv_addr;  
struct hostent    *server;
```

```
void bcopy(char *s1, char *s2, int length)
```

```
bzero((char *) &serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr));
```

```
serv_addr.sin_family = AF_INET;  
bcopy((char *)server->h_addr, (char *)&serv_addr.sin_addr.s_addr, server->h_length);  
serv_addr.sin_port = htons(portno);
```

```
struct hostent  
{  
    char    *h_name;          /* official name of host */  
    char    **h_aliases;     /* alias list */  
    int     h_addrtype;      /* host address type */  
    int     h_length;        /* length of address */  
    char    **h_addr_list;   /* list of addresses from name server */  
    #define h_addr h_addr_list[0] /* address, for backward compatibility */  
};
```

```
struct sockaddr_in  
{  
    short    in_family;  
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    struct in_addr sin_addr;  
    char     sin_zero[8];  
};  
  
typedef uint32_t in_addr_t;  
struct in_addr  
{  
    in_addr_t s_addr;  
};
```

# gethostbyname()

```
int          sockfd, portno, n;  
struct sockaddr_in  serv_addr;  
struct hostent      *server;
```

```
connect(sockfd, &serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr))
```

```
bzero(buffer,256);  
fgets(buffer,255,stdin);
```

```
n = write(sockfd,buffer,strlen(buffer));
```

```
n = read(sockfd,buffer,255);
```

# Reference

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