Recitation 12: ProxyLab Part 1

Instructor: TA(s)

Outline

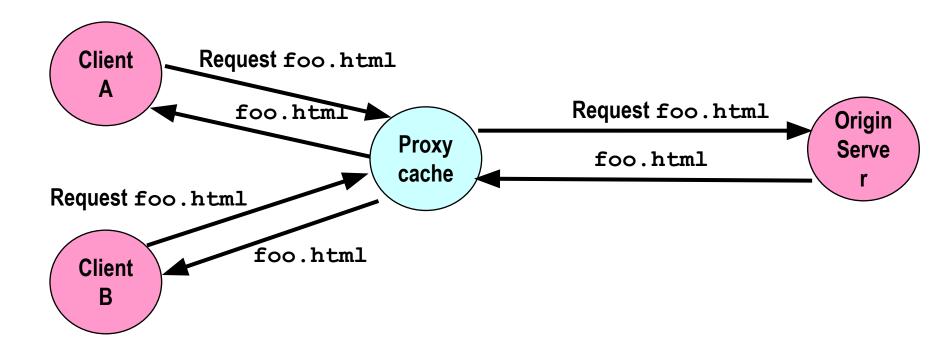
- Proxies
- Networking
- Networking Demos

Proxy Lab

- There are no grace days / late submissions
 - 8% of final grade
- You are submitting an entire project
 - Modify the makefile
 - Split source file into separate pieces
- Submit regularly to verify proxy builds on Autolab
- Your proxy is a server, it should not crash!

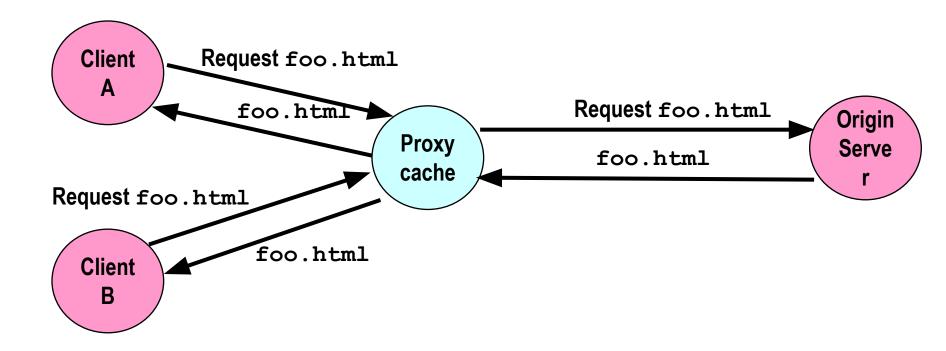
What is a Proxy?

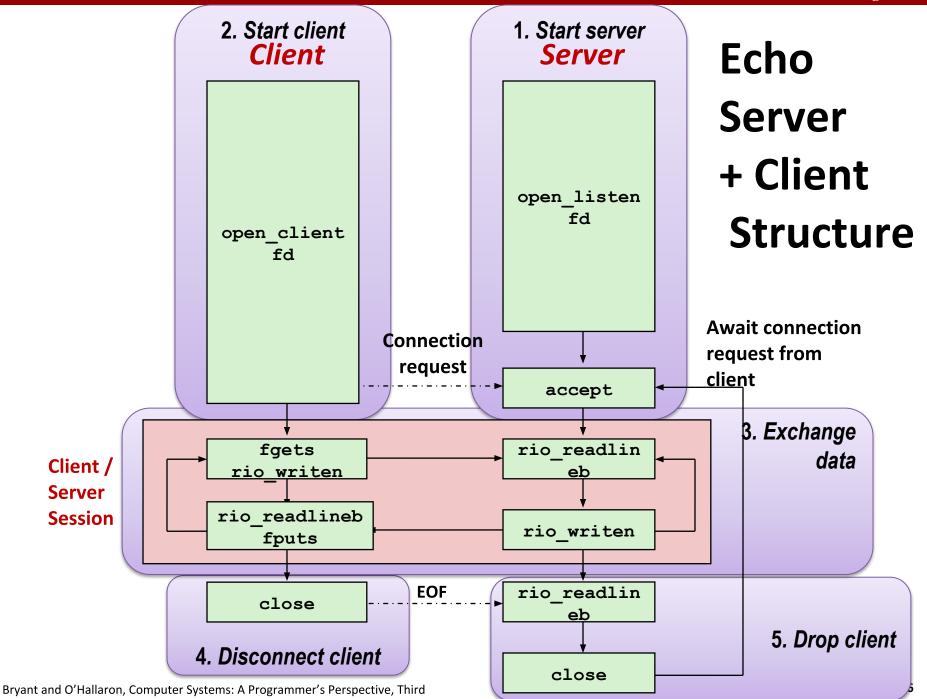
- Proxies are both clients and servers
 - Fetch page from server (eg. cnn.com) as a client
 - Serve page to client (eg. browser) as a server



Why Proxies?

- Proxies are both clients and servers
- Can perform useful functions as requests and responses pass by
 - Examples: Caching, logging, anonymization, filtering, transcoding





Transferring HTTP Data

- If something requests a file from a web server, how does it know that the transfer is complete?
 - A) It reads a NULL byte
 - B) The connection closes
 - C) It reads a blank line
 - D) The HTTP header specifies the number of bytes to receive
 - E) The reading function receives EOF

Telnet Demo

- Telnet is valuable for manually testing your proxy
 - What are valid requests to web servers?
 - What do valid replies look like?
- Connect to a shark machine

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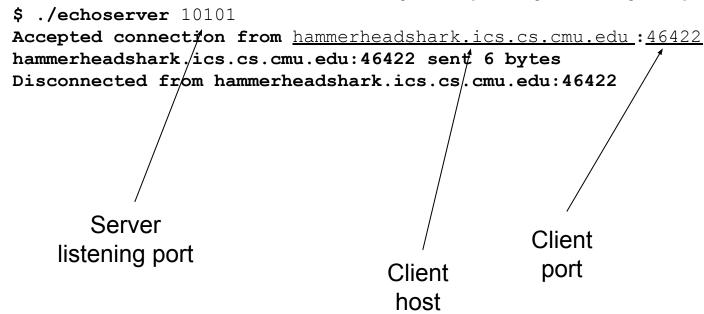
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$ ./echoserver 10101
```

Accepted connection from hammerheadshark.ics.cs.cmu.edu:46422

hammerheadshark.ics.cs.cmu.edu:46422 sent 6 bytes

Disconnected from hammerheadshark.ics.cs.cmu.edu:46422

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 - Server opens one "listening" port
 - Incoming clients connect to this port
 - Once server accepts a connection, it talks to client on a different "ephemeral" port



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- Because we're stuck in echo() talking to the first client,
 echoserver can't handle any more clients
- Solution: multi-threading

Echo Server Multithreaded

How might we make this server multithreaded?
 (Don't look at echoserver_t.c)

Echo Server Multithreaded

- View the code in echoserver_t.c
- I will run echoserver_t
 - Try to connect to it

Echo Server Multithreaded

- echoserver_t.c isn't too different from echoserver.c
 - To see the changes:

```
$ git diff echoserver.c echoserver_t.c
```

- Making your proxy multithreaded will be very similar
- However, don't underestimate the difficulty of addressing race conditions between threads!
 - Definitely the hardest part of proxylab
 - More on this next time...

Makefiles

View the Makefile in the recitation tarball

\$ cat Makefile

Makefile Basics

- List of instructions to build program(s)
- Each rule is called a recipe
 - Target specifies what to build
 - Followed by dependencies (on the same line)
- Makefile format:

```
Target = $(OBJECTS) $(PROJECTS)

echoclient: csapp.o echoclient.o

Dependencies
```

Makefiles and Linking

- Recall the Linking lecture
 - What is the first step?
 - How does the final executable get built?

```
Target echoclient: csapp.o echoclient.o

Dependencies
```

Makefiles and Modularity

- Split implementation into multiple files
 - Keeps closely related parts together
 - Easier to debug
 - Easier to reason about
- Use static functions for encapsulating helper functions
 - Similar to private methods in OOP

Reminders

- Read the writeup
- Start early
 - Remember, no late submissions
 - Come to office hours this week, before it gets crowded!
- Work incrementally and take breaks