# The Transport Layer

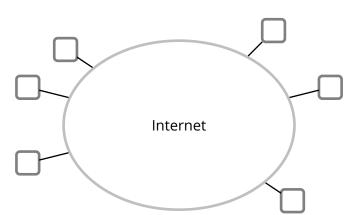
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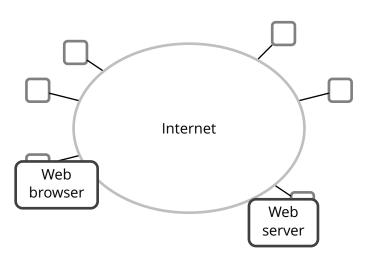
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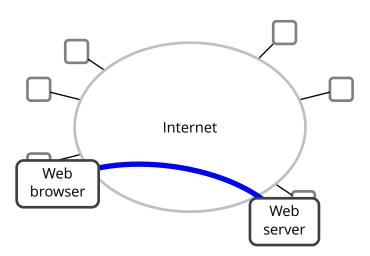
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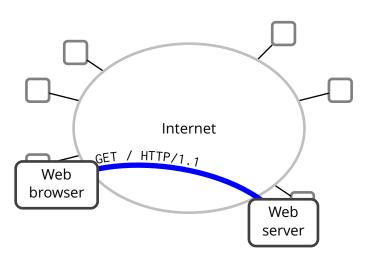
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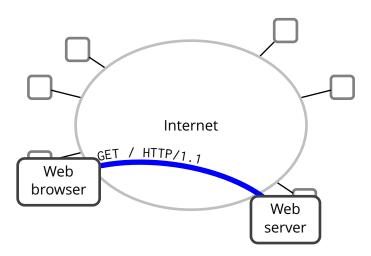
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- Multiplexing/demultiplexing
- UDP message format
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**Primitive communication between applications** 



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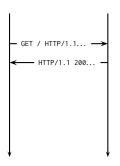
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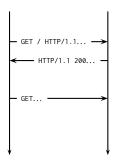
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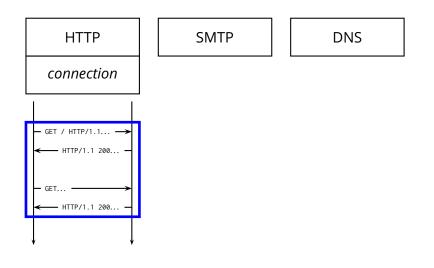
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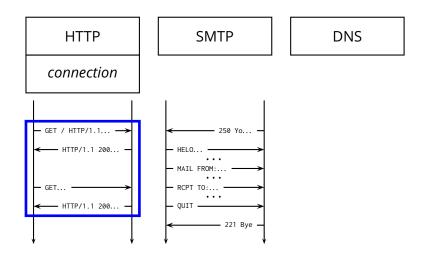
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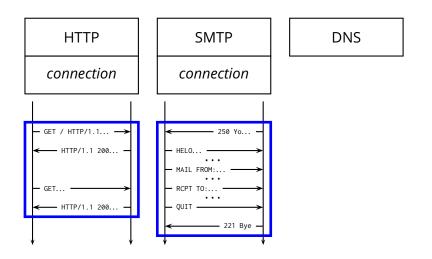
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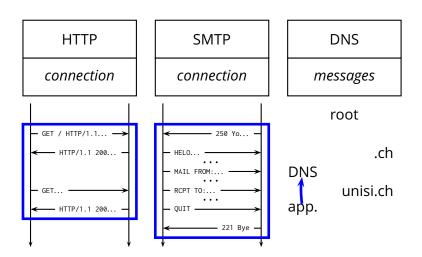
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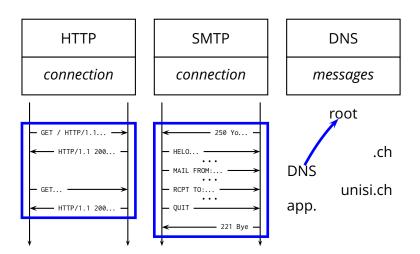
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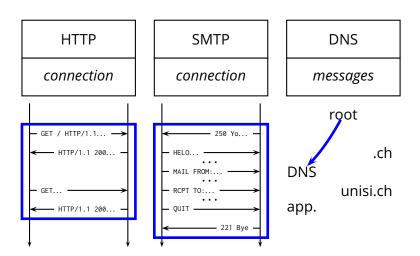


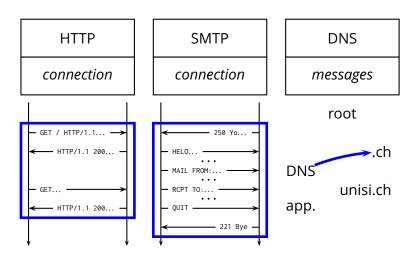


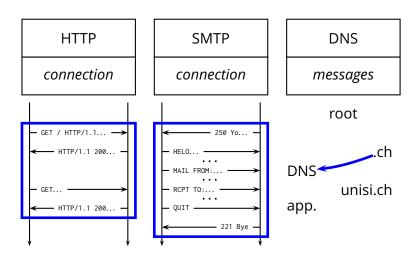


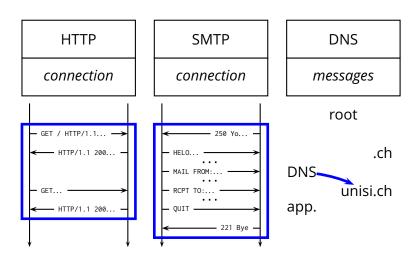


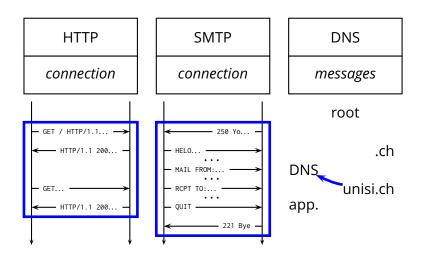


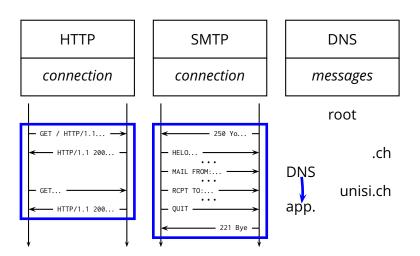


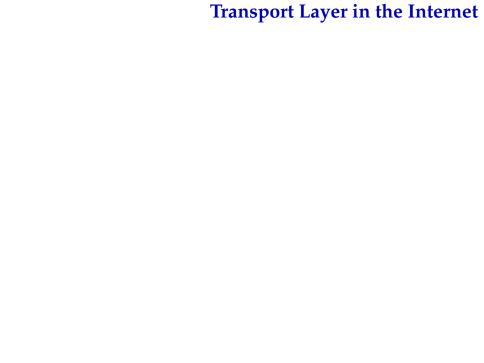












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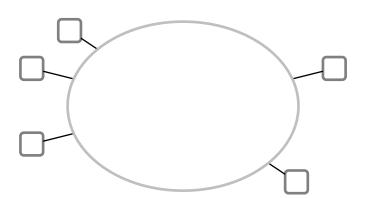
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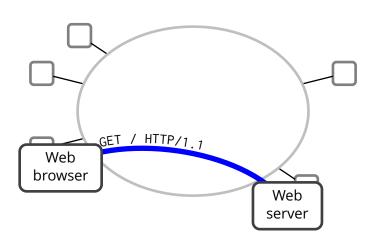
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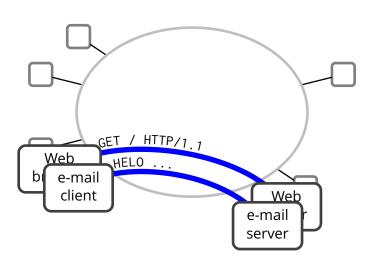
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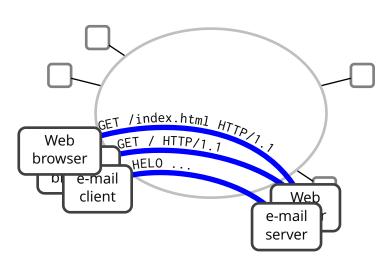
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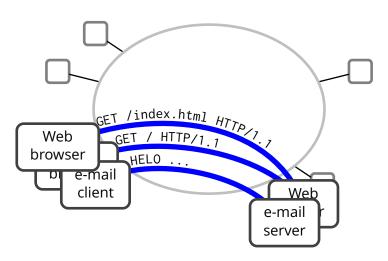
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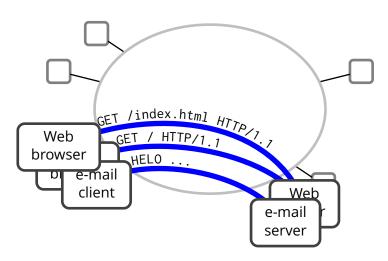








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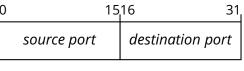
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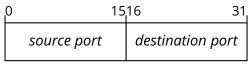


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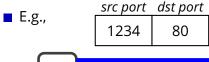


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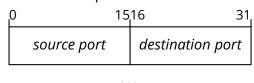


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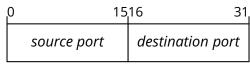
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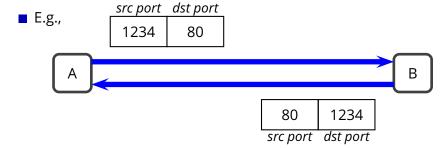
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## **UDP Packet Format**

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0 15	16 31
source port	destination port
length	checksum
application data (message)	



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