

Network Programming

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SOME DEFINITIONS

Necessary Background Information: POSIX data types

int8_t	signed 8bit int
uint8_t	unsigned 8 bit int
int16_t	signed 16 bit int
uint16_t	unsigned 16 bit int
int32_t	signed 32 bit int
uint32_t	unsigned 32 bit int

More POSIX data types

sa_family_t

address family of socket address structure

socklen_t

length of socket address structure, (uint32_t)

in_addr_t

IPv4 address, normally (uint32_t)

in_port_t

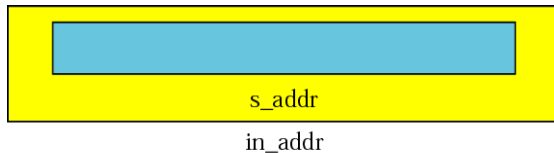
TCP or UDP port number, normally (uint32_t)

Defined by including <sys/types.h> header

Internet address structure

- IPv4 address is defined as a structure in C.
- in_addr contains only one field called s_addr
- The structure holds an IP address as a 32-bit binary number

in_addr just provides a name for the 'C' type associated with IP addresses.



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

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struct sockaddr_in (IPv4)

```
■ struct sockaddr_in {
    uint8_t    sin_len;    /*unsigned 8 bit integer*/
    sa_family_t sin_family; /*AF_INET*/
    in_port_t  sin_port ; /* 16 bit TCP or UDP port number */
    struct in_addr sin_addr; /* 32 bit IPv4 address */
    char    sin_zero[8];    /*unused*/
}
```

A special kind of sockaddr structure

Defined by including <netinet/in.h> header

Generic Socket Address Structure

•A socket address structure always passed by reference when passed as an argument to any socket function

•How to declare the pointer that is passed?

•Define a generic socket address structure

```
struct sockaddr {
    uint8_t    sa_len; /*unsigned 8 bit integer*/
    sa_family_t sa_family; /*AF_INET*/
    char    sa_data[14] ; /* protocol specific address*/
}
```

sa_family specifies the address type.

sa_data specifies the address value.

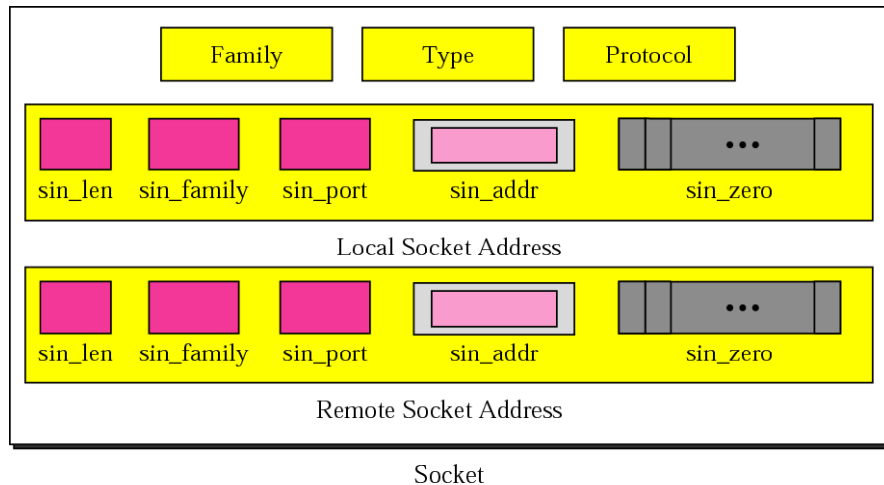
Prototype for bind

```
int bind (int, struct sockaddr * socklen_t)
```

```
struct sockaddr_in serv;
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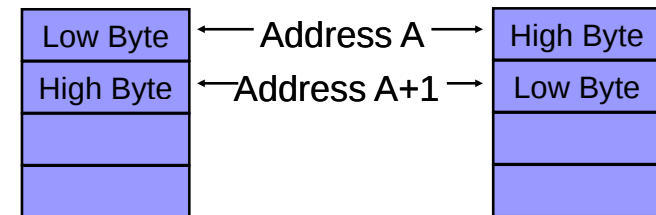
```
bind (sockfd, (struct sockaddr *) &serv,sizeof(serv));
```

Socket structure



Byte Ordering

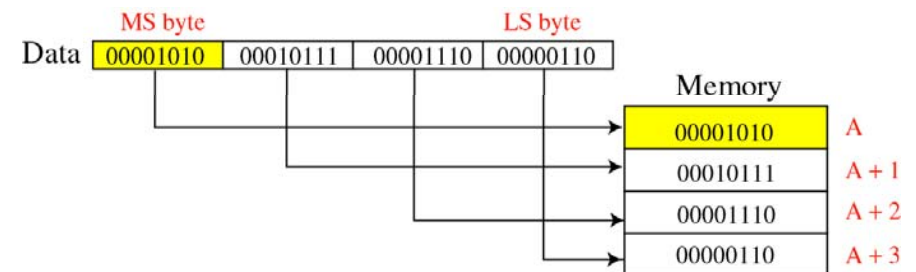
- Different computer architectures use different byte ordering to represent multibyte values.
- 16 bit integer:



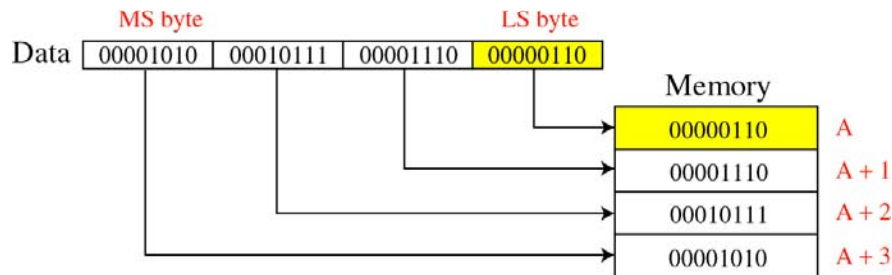
Byte Ordering Functions

- Two ways to store 2 bytes (16-bit integer) in memory
 - Low-order byte at starting address → little-endian byte order
 - High-order byte at starting address → big-endian byte order
- Byte order used by a given system known as *host byte order*
- Network programmers use *network byte order*
- Internet protocol uses big-endian byte ordering for integers (port number and IP address)

Big-endian byte order

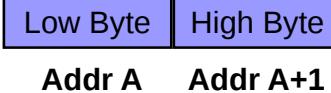


Little-endian byte order



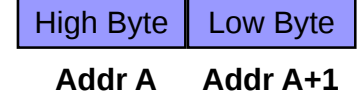
Byte Ordering

Little-Endian



IBM 80x86
DEC VAX
DEC PDP-11

Big-Endian



■ IBM 370
■ Motorola 68000
■ Sun

Byte Order and Networking

- Suppose a Big Endian machine sends a 16 bit integer with the value 2:

000000000000000010

- A Little Endian machine will think it got the number 512:

0000001000000000

Network Byte Order

- Conversion of application-level data is left up to the presentation layer.
- But hold on !!! How do lower level layers communicate if they all represent values differently ? (data length fields in headers)
- A fixed byte order is used (called *network byte order*) for all control data.

Network Byte Order

- All values stored in a **sockaddr_in** must be in network byte order.

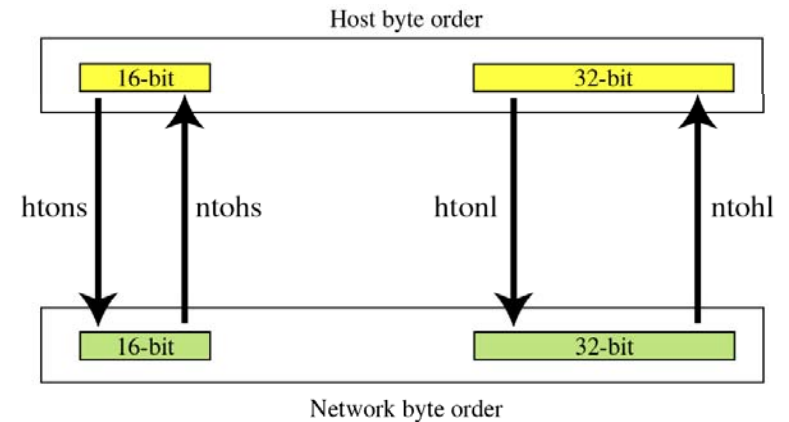
- **sin_port** a TCP/IP port number.
- **sin_addr** an IP address.

**Common Mistake:
Ignoring Network Byte Order**

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Bite-order transformation



Network Byte Order Functions

'h' : host byte order 'n' : network byte order
's' : short (16bit) 'l' : long (32bit)

```
uint16_t htons(uint16_t);  
uint16_t ntohs(uint16_t);
```

```
uint32_t htonl(uint32_t);  
uint32_t ntohl(uint32_t);
```

Byte Ordering Functions

```
#include "unp.h"  
int main(int argc, char **argv)  
{  
    union {  
        short s;  
        char c[sizeof(short)];  
    } un;  
  
    un.s = 0x0102;  
    printf("%s: ", CPU_VENDOR_OS);  
    if (sizeof(short) == 2) {  
        if (un.c[0] == 1 && un.c[1] == 2)  
            printf("big-endian\n");  
        else if (un.c[0] == 2 && un.c[1] == 1)  
            printf("little-endian\n");  
        else  
            printf("unknown\n");  
    } else  
        printf("sizeof(short) = %d\n", sizeof(short));  
  
    exit(0);  
}
```

•Sample program to figure out little-endian or big-endian machine

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Byte Manipulation Functions

```
#include <strings.h>
```

```
void bzero (void *dest, size_t nbytes);
```

```
// sets specified number of bytes to 0 in the destination
```

We may use it to initialize the socket address structure to zero

```
void bcopy (const void *src, void *dest, size_t nbytes);
```

```
// moves specified number of bytes from source to destination
```

```
void bcmp (const void *ptr1, const void *ptr2, size_t nbytes)
```

```
//compares two arbitrary byte strings, return value is zero if  
two byte strings are identical, otherwise, nonzero
```