Networking

Introduction

 The C# programming language offers variety of networking related classes in the System.Net.* name space.
 These classes support various standard network protocols, such as HTTP, TCP/IP and FTP.

WebClient

This class implements the Facade design pattern while providing support for simple download/upload operations via HTTP and FTP.

WebRequest & WebResponse

These classes represent requests and responses involved with client side HTTP and FTP operations.

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Introduction

HttpListener

This class can be used for building an HTTP server.

SmtpClient

These class can be used for developing a mailing client via SMTP.

Dns

This class assists with converting between domain names and their IP addresses.

TcpClient, UdpClient, TcpListener & Socket These classes can be used for developing TCP\IP and UDP client server applications.

Computer Addresses

- Each computer in a network has an IP number. The .NET framework supports both the IPV4 and the IPV6 addressing systems.
- The System.Net.IPAddress class represents a computer address.

IPAddress address = new IPAddress(new byte[]{127,0,0,01});
IPAddress address = new IPAddress("127.0.0.1");

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Computer Addresses

- Both UDP and TCP protocols support each IP address with 65,535 ports, allowing each computer with a single IP address to run multiple applications, each one of them on a its own separated port.
 - The ports in the range of 1..1024 are usually kept for standard applications, such as HTTP (port 80), SMTP (port 25) etc.

Computer Addresses

 Each combination of an IP number and a port address is represented in .NET by an IPEndPoint object.

IPAddress address = new IPAddress(new byte[]{127,0,0,01});
IPEndPoint point = new IPEndPoint(address,8080);

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 URI is a formatted string that describes a resource on the Internet on on a Local Area Network (Intranet).
 The resource can be a file, an email address, a web page or even a small executable code that generates content dynamically sent back to the browser.

 We can easily construct a URI object by passing over a string of any of the following optional formats:

URI String

It can be either a web URI address such as http://www.jacado.com or a local file URI address such as file://michh/docs/memo.doc.

Local File Absolute Path

It can be any full path to a file on our computer such as c:\docs\memo.txt.

UNC Path

It can be any UNC path to a file on our local area network, such as \\michh\share\docs\memo.txt.

• The Uri's 'IsLoopback' property indicates whether it references the local host.

The Uri's 'IsFile' property indicates whether the Uri references a local file.

If 'IsFile' is true, referring 'LocalPath' property returns an absolute path we can access by calling the File.Open method.

• The Uri's 'IsUnc' property indicates whether the Uri references a UNC path.

• The Uri's 'EscapeUriString()' method converts a string into a valid URL by converting all characters with an ASSCII value bigger than 127 into their hexadecimal representation.

WebRequest & WebResponse

• The WebRequest and the WebResponse encapsulate a request and a response.

The WebClient Class

- The WebClient class is a facade class that does all work involved with using the WebRequest and WebResponse classes.
- The WebClient's BaseAddress property allows us to specify a string to be prefixed to all addresses.

The WebClient Download Methods

• The WebClient class includes the following Download methods:

public void DownloadFile(string address, string fileName); public string DownloadString(string address); public byte[] DownloadData(string address); public Stream OpenRead(string address);

The WebClient Upload Methods

• The WebClient class includes the following Upload methods:

The WebClient Upload Methods

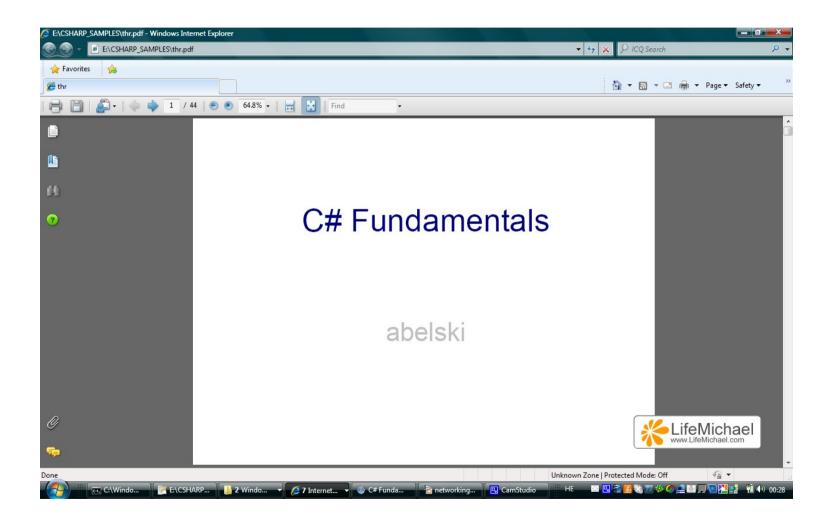
public Stream OpenWrite(string address);

- public Stream OpenWrite(string address, string method);
- Calling the UploadValues method we can post values to HTTP form.

The WebClient Sample

```
using System;
using System.Net;
namespace abelski.csharp
{
    class WebClientDemo
    {
        static void Main()
            using(WebClient web = new WebClient())
                web.DownloadFile(
                     "http://www.abelski.com/courses/csharp/introduction.pdf",
                     "thr.pdf");
            System.Diagnostics.Process.Start("thr.pdf");
        }
    }
}
```

The WebClient Sample



The WebRequest Class

 Using the WebRequest class the first step is instantiating that class with a URI pointing at the resource we request. The next steps might be assigning the Proxy property as well as the Credentials property (if there is a need).

The WebRequest Class

- In order to upload data we should call the
 - GetRequestStream on the WebRequest object and write to the stream we get.

The WebRequest Class

- In order to download data we should first call GetResponse on the WebRequest object. Calling this method returns a reference for a WebResponse object.
- Calling GetResponseStream on the WebResponse object should provide us with a stream we can read.

The WebRequest Sample

```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
namespace abelski.csharp
{
    class WebRequestDemo
    {
        static void Main()
        {
            WebRequest request = null;
            HttpWebResponse response = null;
            Stream dataStream = null;
            StreamReader reader = null;
            try
            {
                request = WebRequest.Create ("http://www.yahoo.com/");
                response = (HttpWebResponse) request.GetResponse ();
                Console.WriteLine (response.StatusDescription);
                dataStream = response.GetResponseStream ();
```

The WebRequest Sample

```
reader = new StreamReader (dataStream);
string responseFromServer = reader.ReadToEnd ();
Console.WriteLine (responseFromServer);
}
catch(Exception e)
{
   Console.WriteLine(e.ToString());
}
finally
{
   reader.Close ();
   dataStream.Close ();
   response.Close ();
}
```

}

The WebRequest Sample

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
 E:\CSHARP_SAMPLES>WebRequestDemo
  OK
  <html>
  <head>
  <title>Yahoo!</title>
 <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
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<meta name="robots" content="noarchive">
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- The proxy server is an intermediate through which HTTP and FTP requests are routed.
- Organizations usually hold a proxy server for security reasons.
 The proxy server can request its clients to authenticate. The proxy server can screen the content its users browse.



 The proxy server has its own address. The Proxy property the WebClient and the WebRequest have enable us to set them with a WebProxy object, that represents a proxy server.



```
WebProxy prox = new WebProxy("122.131.12.23",720);
prox.Credentials = new NetworkCredential("iuser","ipass");
WebClient web = ...
web.Proxy = prox;
...
```

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Proxy Server

```
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prox.Credentials = new NetworkCredential("iuser","ipass");
WebRequest request = ...
request.Proxy = prox;
```

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 If we don't have a proxy and we don't set the Proxy property to 'null' on all WebClient and WebRequest objects the framework will attempt to automatically detect the proxy settings. That might cost us up to 30 sec.



• We can set a global default proxy by referring the

DefaultWebProxy property in WebRequest class.

WebRequest.DefaultWebProxy = prox;

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Authentication

 Using an object instantiated from NetworkCredential we can provide a username and a password when accessing an HTTP or FTP website.

```
...
using (WebClient client = new WebClient())
{
...
client.Credentials = new NetworkCredentials(username,password);
...
}
...
```

Authentication

• The NetworkCredential class supports dialog based authentication protocols as Basic and Digest.

Parallel Execution

 Communication over the network can be time consuming. In many cases it is more efficient to have multiple WebClient or multiple WebRequest objects executed concurrently.

Parallel Execution

```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System. Threading;
namespace abelski.csharp
{
    class ConcurrentNetworkingDemo
    {
        static void Main()
        {
            string[] links = {
                 "http://www.abelski.com/courses/csharp/introduction.pdf",
                 "http://www.abelski.com/courses/csharp/basic.pdf",
                 "http://www.abelski.com/courses/csharp/oop.pdf"
                 };
            for(int i=0; i<links.Length; i++)</pre>
             {
                 new Thread(Download).Start(links[i]);
        }
```

Parallel Execution

```
static void Download(Object ob)
    using(WebClient client = new WebClient())
    {
        try
            string[] str = ((string)ob).Split('/');
            string filename = str[str.Length-1];
            Console.WriteLine(filename+" started to download");
            client.Proxy = null;
            client.DownloadFile((string)ob, filename);
            Console.WriteLine(filename+" was saved");
        catch(WebException e)
        {
            Console.WriteLine(e.Status);
```

Parallel Execution

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The HTTP Headers

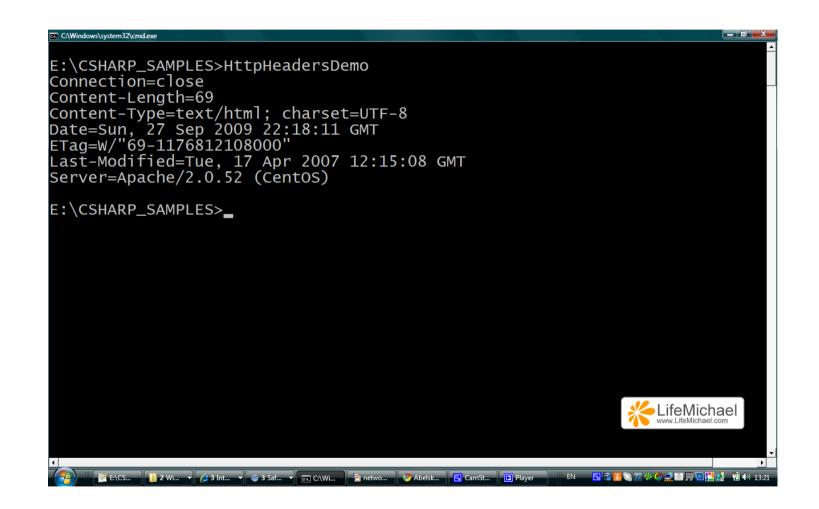
 The WebClient and the WebRequest objects enable us to add custom HTTP headers for our request as well as to enumerate the HTTP headers assigned to our response.

```
using(WebClient client = new WebClient()) {
    ...
    client.Headers.Add("header_name","header_value");
    ...
    foreach(string name in client.ResponseHeaders.Keys) {
        Console.WriteLine(name+"="+client.ResponseHeaders[name]);
    }
}
```

The HTTP Headers

```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System. Threading;
namespace abelski.csharp
{
    class HttpHeadersDemo
    {
        static void Main()
            using(WebClient client = new WebClient())
                    client.Proxy = null;
                    client.DownloadString("http://www.jacado.com");
                    foreach(string name in client.ResponseHeaders.Keys)
                         Console.WriteLine(name
                             +"="+client.ResponseHeaders[name]);
                     }
    }
}
```

The HTTP Headers



• The WebClient object provides an easy way to add query strings through the QueryString dictionary style property.

http://www.abelski.com/store.php?id=12&name=moshe

Query String

client.DownloadFile(
 "http://www.handango.com/catalog/ProductDetails.jsp",

"classicroulette.html");

System.Diagnostics.Process.Start("classicroulette.html");

}

}

}

}

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- Working with a WebClient object we can post data to HTML forms. We can do that by calling the UploadValues method on the WebClient object we work with.
- The next sample uses the form at the following URL address: http://www.abelski.com/courses/csharp/sumform.html.

```
client.Proxy = null;
byte[] result = client.UploadValues(
    "http://www.abelski.com/courses/csharp/sumform.php",
    "POST",collection);
System.IO.File.WriteAllBytes("results.html",result);
System.Diagnostics.Process.Start("results.html");
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}

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Cookies

• By default, the HttpWebRequest object ignores the received cookies. In order to accept cookies we should create a CookieContainer object and assign it to the WebRequest we work with.

Cookies

Cookies

```
using(HttpWebResponse response =
    (HttpWebResponse)request.GetResponse())
{
    foreach(Cookie cookie in response.Cookies)
    {
        Console.WriteLine("name="+cookie.Name);
        Console.WriteLine("value="+cookie.Name);
        Console.WriteLine("value="+cookie.Path);
        Console.WriteLine("path="+cookie.Path);
        Console.WriteLine("domain="+cookie.Domain);
        Console.WriteLine();
    }
}
```

}

Cookies

```
C:\Windows\system32\CMD.exe
E:\CSHARP_SAMPLES>CookiesDemo
name= FS
value=mkt=-IL&ui=he-IL
path=/
domain=.bing.com
name=MUID
value=5C73C6418C294CDF900AEE8A8C79D3D2
path=/
domain=.bing.com
name=OrigMUID
value=5C73C6418C294CDF900AEE8A8C79D3D2%2ca3a2d6dcbf484b<u>a288ad65bed110af54</u>
path=/
domain=.bing.com
name=0VR
value=flt=0&DomainVertical=0&Cashback=cbtest4&MSCorp=kievfinal&GeoPerf=0
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Cookies

- We can assign the received cookies to further requests we send back.
- We can do that by assigning the CookieContainer object to each and every new WebRequest object we create.

```
...
request.CookieContainer = container;
```

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Cookies

• We can create a new cookie and add it to the

CookieContainer we want to send back to the server.

```
...
CookieContainer container = new CookieContainer();
Cookie cookie = new Cookie("id","a2323fssd","/",".abelski.com");
container.Add(cookie);
...
```

• The CookieContainer can hold various cookies with different domains and paths. The WebRequest object will send back only those that match the path and domain of the URL it refers to.

- We can develop our own HTTP server by using the
 - HttpListener class.

```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System. Threading;
using System.Text;
namespace abelski.csharp
{
    class SimpleHttpServer
    {
        static void Main()
        {
            HttpListener listener = null;
            try
             {
                listener = new HttpListener();
                listener.Prefixes.Add(
                     "http://localhost:1300/simpleserver/");
                listener.Start();
```

```
while(true)
{
    Console.WriteLine("waiting...");
    HttpListenerContext context = listener.GetContext();
    string msg = "hello:)";
    context.Response.StatusCode = (int)HttpStatusCode.OK;
    using(Stream stream = context.Response.OutputStream)
    {
        using(StreamWriter writer = new StreamWriter(stream))
        {
            writer.Write(msg);
        }
    }
    Console.WriteLine("msg sent...");
}
```

```
}
catch(WebException e)
{
    Console.WriteLine(e.Status);
}
finally
{
    listener.Stop();
}
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}

}

}

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 We can use the WebClient class to develop FTP applications both for uploading and for downloading data.

```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System. Threading;
using System.Text;
namespace abelski.csharp
   class SimpleFTPServer
       static void Main()
           using(WebClient client = new WebClient())
           {
              client.Proxy = null;
              client.Credentials =
              ");
              client.UploadString("temp.txt",
                  "hello. this is a try");
           }
       }
   }
```

We can use the methods defined as string constants in

WebRequestMethods.FTP in order to perform various FTP

operations.

AppendFile	PrintWorkingDirectory
DeleteFile	RemoveDirectory
DownloadFile	Rename
GetDateTimestamp	UploadFile
GetFileSize	UploadFileWithUniqueNmae
ListDirectory	MakeDirectory
ListDirectoryDetails	

 In order to use these methods you should assign the method string constant to the web request's Method property.

```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System. Threading;
using System.Text;
namespace abelski.csharp
    class FTPServerMethods
        static void Main()
            FtpWebRequest request = null;
            FtpWebResponse respons = null;
            StreamReader reader = null;
            request = (FtpWebRequest)WebRequest.
                Create("ftp://www.abelski.com/abelski.com");
            request.Proxy = null;
            request.Credentials = new NetworkCredential(
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            request.Method = WebRequestMethods.Ftp.ListDirectory;
```

```
respons = (FtpWebResponse)request.GetResponse();
reader = new StreamReader(respons.GetResponseStream());
Console.WriteLine(reader.ReadToEnd());
```

}

}

}

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- Using the Dns class we can interact with the Domain Name Service (DNS) servers that convert between IP numbers (e.g. 20.110.208.104) and human friendly URL addresses (e.g. www.abelski.com).
- Calling the GetHostAddresses() static method we can convert from a friendly URL address (domain name) to its IP numbers.

In some cases, there are more than one IP number assigned for a specific domain name.

```
using System;
using System.Net;
namespace abelski.csharp
    class DNSDemo
        static void Main()
            string[] domains =
                 {"www.google.com", "www.bing.com", "www.abelski.com",
                 "www.xperato.com", "www.zindell.com", "www.jacado.com",
                "www.zindego.com", "www.zuntel.com"};
            foreach(string domain in domains)
            {
                Console.WriteLine(domain);
                foreach(IPAddress ip in Dns.GetHostAddresses(domain))
                 {
                    Console.WriteLine(ip.ToString());
                Console.WriteLine();
```

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• Calling the GetHostEntry static method we can convert from an IP number to the domain name.

```
...
IPHostName host = Dns.GetHostEntry("216.154.217.186");
Console.WriteLine(host.HostName);
```

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```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System. Threading;
using System.Text;
namespace abelski.csharp
    class DNSAnotherDemo
        static void Main()
            string[] ips = {"209.85.135.106","199.238.166.245"};
            foreach(string ip in ips)
                Console.WriteLine(ip);
                Console.WriteLine(Dns.GetHostEntry(ip).HostName);
                Console.WriteLine();
        }
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SMTP

- The SmtpClient class enables us to send emails. The MailMessage class encapsulates an email message.
- Once SmtpClient is instantiated we should assign the SMTP server to the Host property.
- Once instantiating MailMessage we should assign the required values to its various properties (Sender, From, To, CC, Subject etc.).

SMTP

• Sending attachments is done by instantiating the Attachment class and passing over the reference of the new object to the Add method we should call on the Attachments property of the MailMessage object we are working with.

SMTP

```
SmtpClient client = new SmtpClient();
client.Host = "out.bezeqint.net";
MailMessage message = new MailMessage();
message.Sender = new MailAddress("david@jacado.com", "david");
message.From = new MailAddress("david@jacado.com", "david");
message.To.Add(new MailAddress("haim.michael@gmail.com", "haim"));
message.CC.Add(new MailAddress("haim.michael@gmail.com", "haim"));
message.Subject = "Happy New Year!";
message.Body = "Happy New Year to you and your family:) See you soon.";
message.IsBodyHtml = false;
message.Priority = MailPriority.Low;
Attachment attachment = new
Attachment("photo.jpg", System.Net.Mime.MediaTypeNames.Image.Jpeg);
message.Attachments.Add(attachment);
```

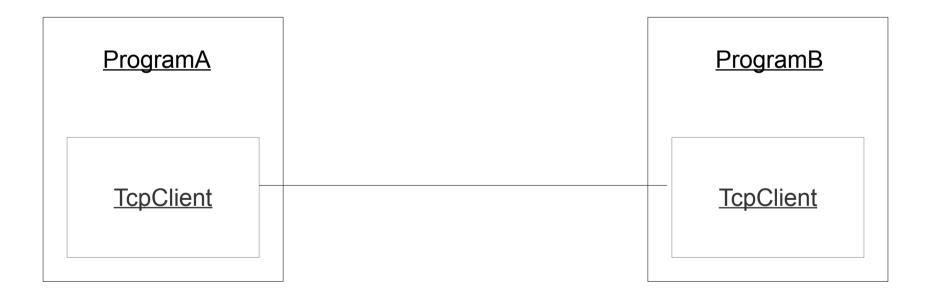
client.Send(message);

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The TCP Protocol

 The TCP (Transmission Content Protocol) protocol sets the fundamental transport layer. Most of the available Internet services are delivered on top of the TCP layer. HTTP, FTP, SMTP are just few of them.

 The TcpClient class facade the required underneath classes and methods for connecting, sending data and receiving data over the web in a synchronous blocking mode.



- In order to get two programs connected with each other over the web using the TCP/IP protocol we should first decide which of the two programs should be executed first so it could function as kind of a server waiting for a request to create a connection with.
- The TcpListener class provides simple methods that listen for incoming request to connect and accept it. These methods work synchronously with the thread that calls them.

```
using System;
using System.Net;
using System.IO;
using System. Threading;
using System.Text;
using System.Net.Mail;
using System.Net.Mime;
using System.Net.Sockets;
namespace abelski.csharp
    class TCPSimpleServer
        static void Main()
            TcpListener listener = null;
            TcpClient client = null;
            NetworkStream stream = null;
            BinaryWriter writer = null;
            BinaryReader reader = null;
```

```
try
{
    listener = new TcpListener(
        new IPAddress(new byte[] {127,0,0,1}),1300);
    listener.Start();
    while (true)
    {
        Console.WriteLine("waiting...");
        using (client = listener.AcceptTcpClient())
            using (stream = client.GetStream())
                string sent = "THREE";
                reader = new BinaryReader(stream);
                String received = reader.ReadString();
                if (received.Equals("1")) sent = "ONE";
                else if(received.Equals("2")) sent = "TWO";
                writer = new BinaryWriter(stream);
                writer.Write(sent);
```

```
catch(WebException e)
{
    Console.WriteLine(e.Message);
}
finally
{
    if(listener!=null) listener.Stop();
    if(writer!=null) writer.Close();
    if(reader!=null) reader.Close();
}
```

}

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using System;
using System.Net;
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using System. Threading;
using System.Text;
using System.Net.Mail;
using System.Net.Mime;
using System.Net.Sockets;
namespace abelski.csharp
{
   class TCPSimpleClient
    {
        static void Main()
            TcpClient client = null;
            NetworkStream stream = null;
            TcpListener listener = null;
            BinaryWriter writer = null;
            BinaryReader reader = null;
```

The TcpClient & TcpServer Classes

```
try
{
    using (client = new TcpClient("127.0.0.1",1300))
    {
        Console.WriteLine("connection was established...");
        using (stream = client.GetStream())
        {
            string sent = "1";
            string received = null;
            writer = new BinaryWriter(stream);
            writer.Write(sent);
            Console.WriteLine(sent+" was sent...");
            received = new BinaryReader(stream);
            received = reader.ReadString();
            Console.WriteLine(received+" was received...");
        }
    }
}
```

The TcpClient & TcpServer Classes

```
catch(WebException e)
{
    Console.WriteLine(e.Message);
}
finally
{
    if(listener!=null) listener.Stop();
    if(writer!=null) writer.Close();
    if(reader!=null) reader.Close();
}
```

The TcpClient & TcpServer Classes

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E:\CSHARP_SAMPLES>	
C:\Windows\system32\CMD.exe - TcpSimpleServer	
ONE was sent waiting connection request accepted 1 was received ONE was sent waiting connection request accepted 1 was received ONE was sent waiting	
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