

# Sheet 2

## socket structure

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1 struct socket
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3 struct socket
4 {
5 The socket state can be: SS_FREE, SS_UNCONNECTED, SS_CONNECTING, SS_CONNECTED, SS_DISCONNECTING
6     socket_state          state;
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8     unsigned long        flags;
9
10 Defined below.
11     struct proto_ops      *ops;
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13 In unix, each file is described by an inode. In Linux, there is also an inode for each BSD socket. Hence:
14 inode holds a reference to the corresponding inode for this socket
15 file holds a reference to the primary file structure associated with this socket
16     struct inode          *inode;
17     struct file           *file;          /* File back pointer for gc */
18
19 fasync_list is used when processes have chosen asynchronous handling of this 'file'
20     struct fasync_struct  *fasync_list;   /* Asynchronous wake up list */
21
22 This is very important, as it contains most of the useful state associated with a socket. See later
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23     struct sock          *sk;
24
25 Not used by sockets in AF_INET
26     wait_queue_head_t    wait;
27
28 The type is SOCK_STREAM, SOCK_DGRAM, SOCK_RAW
29     short                type;
30     unsigned char        passcred;
31 };
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**33 struct proto\_ops**

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35 These are initialised for during creation of struct sock in e.g. [net/ipv4/af\\_inet.c::inet\\_create](#) which pulls them out of a local  
36 table, [net/ipv4/af\\_inet.c::inetsw](#), which is itself initialised by [net/ipv4/af\\_inet.c::inet\\_register\\_protosw](#) which is called from  
37 [net/ipv4/af\\_inet.c::inet\\_init](#), which uses the static array [net/ipv4/af\\_inet.c::inetsw\\_array](#)

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39 struct proto_ops {
40     int    family;
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42     int    (*release)    (struct socket *sock);
43     int    (*bind)       (struct socket *sock, struct sockaddr *umyaddr,
44                          int sockaddr_len);
45     int    (*connect)    (struct socket *sock, struct sockaddr *uservaddr,
46                          int sockaddr_len, int flags);
47     int    (*socketpair) (struct socket *sock1, struct socket *sock2);
48     int    (*accept)     (struct socket *sock, struct socket *newsock, int flags);
49     int    (*getname)    (struct socket *sock, struct sockaddr *uaddr,
50                          int *usockaddr_len, int peer);
51     unsigned int (*poll) (struct file *file, struct socket *sock,
52                          struct poll_table_struct *wait);
53     int    (*ioctl)     (struct socket *sock, unsigned int cmd, unsigned long arg);
54     int    (*listen)    (struct socket *sock, int len);
55     int    (*shutdown)  (struct socket *sock, int flags);
56     int    (*setsockopt) (struct socket *sock, int level, int optname,
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57         char *optval, int optlen);
58 int      (*getsockopt)(struct socket *sock, int level, int optname,
59         char *optval, int *optlen);
60 int      (*sendmsg)  (struct socket *sock, struct msghdr *m, int total_len, struct
61         scm_cookie *scm);
62 int      (*recvmsg)  (struct socket *sock, struct msghdr *m, int total_len,
63         int flags, struct scm_cookie *scm);
64 int      (*mmap)     (struct file *file, struct socket *sock, struct
65         vm_area_struct * vma);
66 ssize_t  (*sendpage) (struct socket *sock, struct page *page, int offset,
67         size_t size, int flags);
68 };
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