

Connection Pooling

for request/response style applications

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- Alternate API interaction scheme for request/response style applications.
- Combine several underlying transport connections into one pooled connection.
- Automated initiation and teardown of additional underlying connections.
- Match request and responses through (local) message references.

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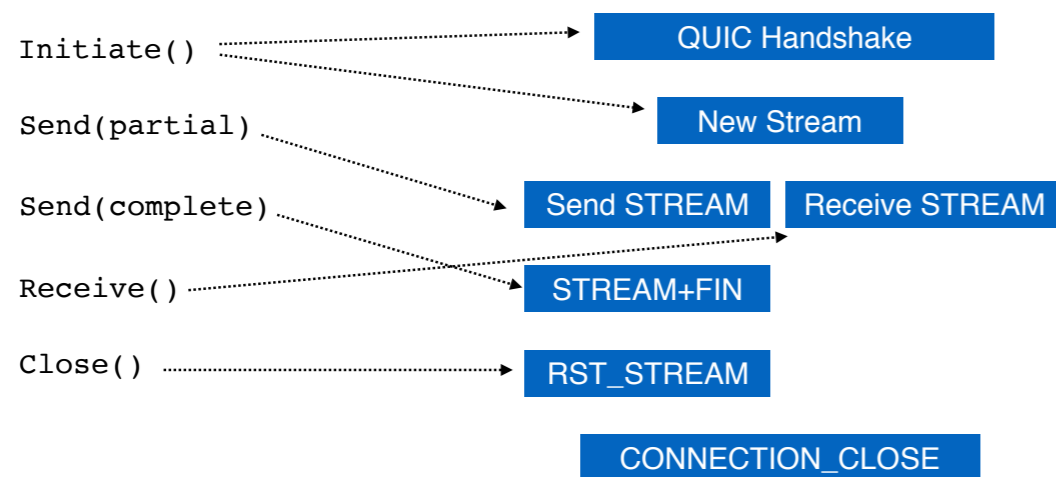
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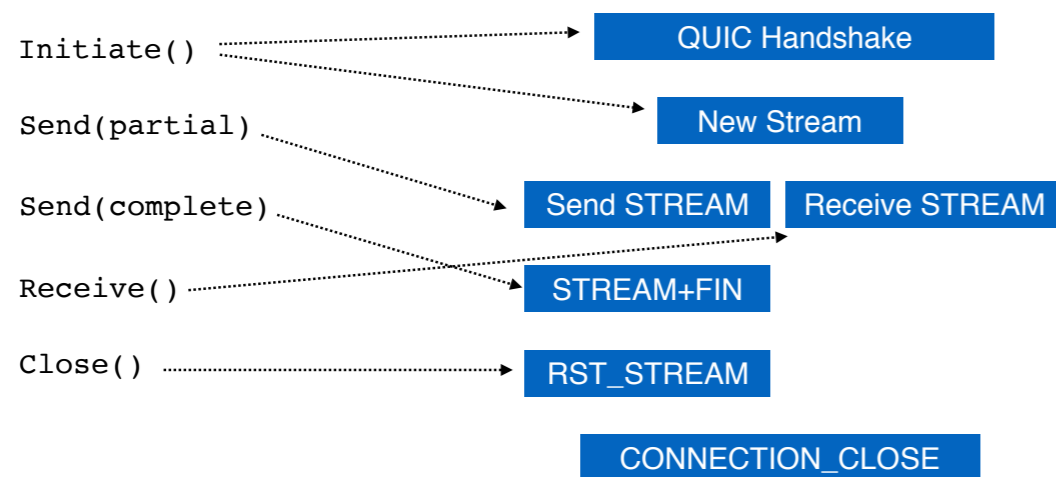
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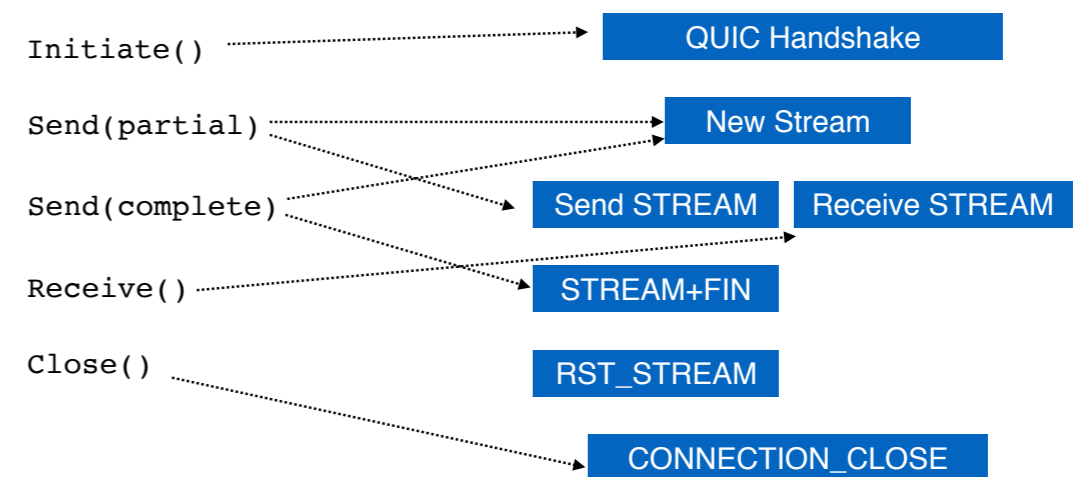
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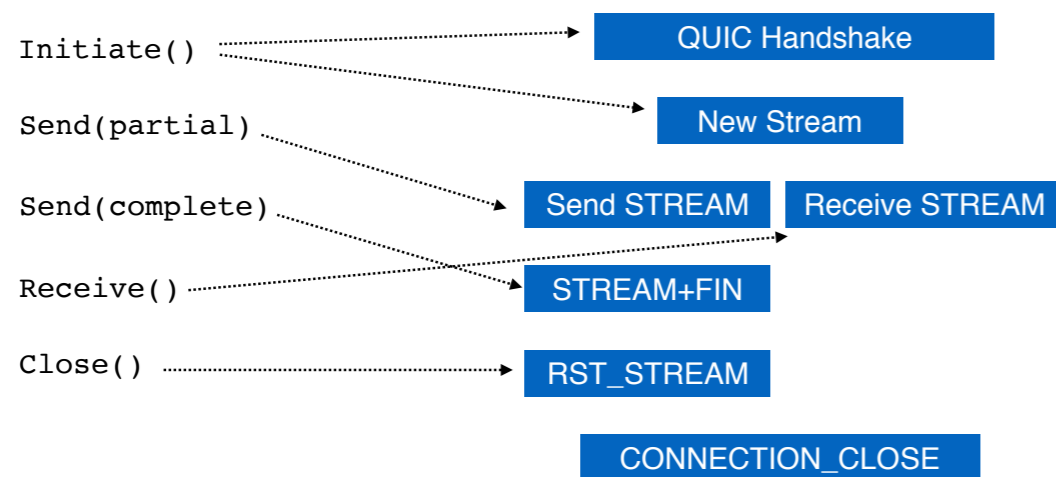
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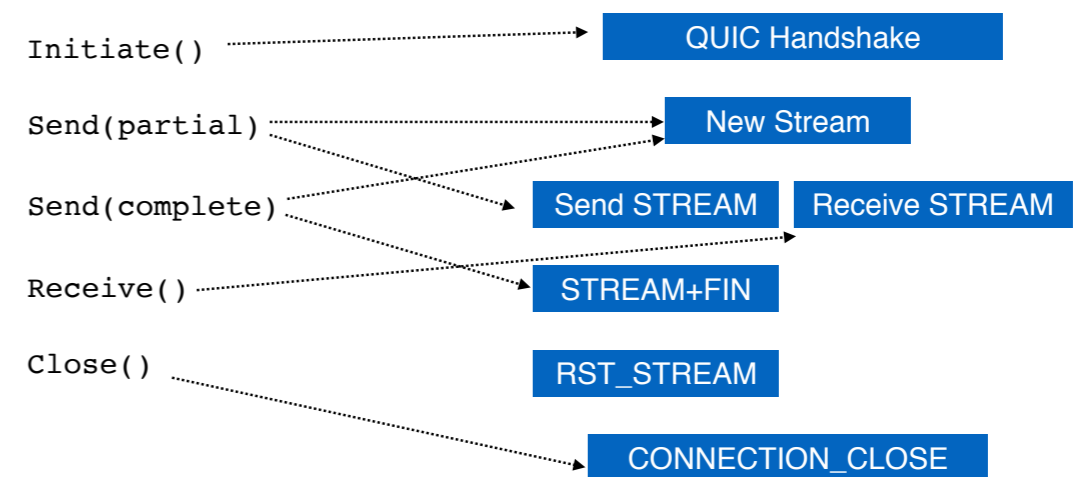
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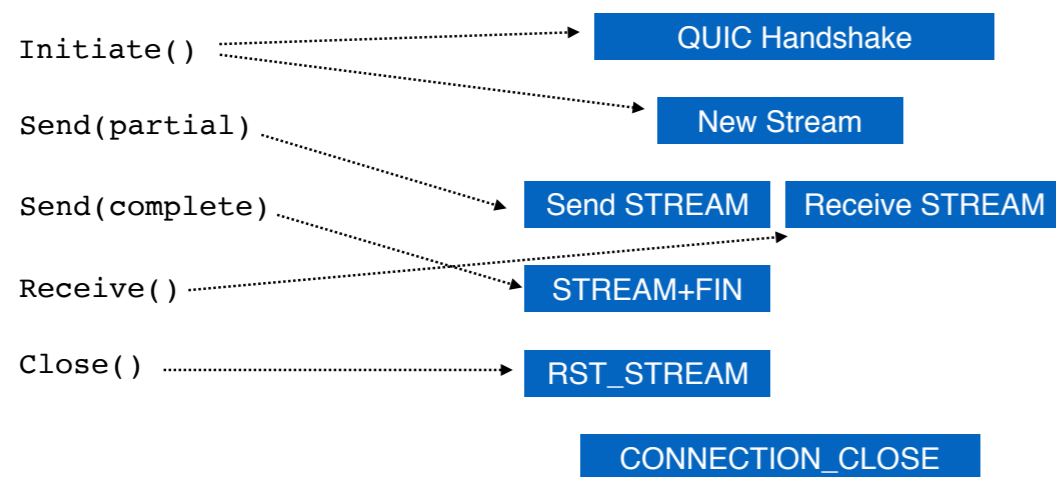
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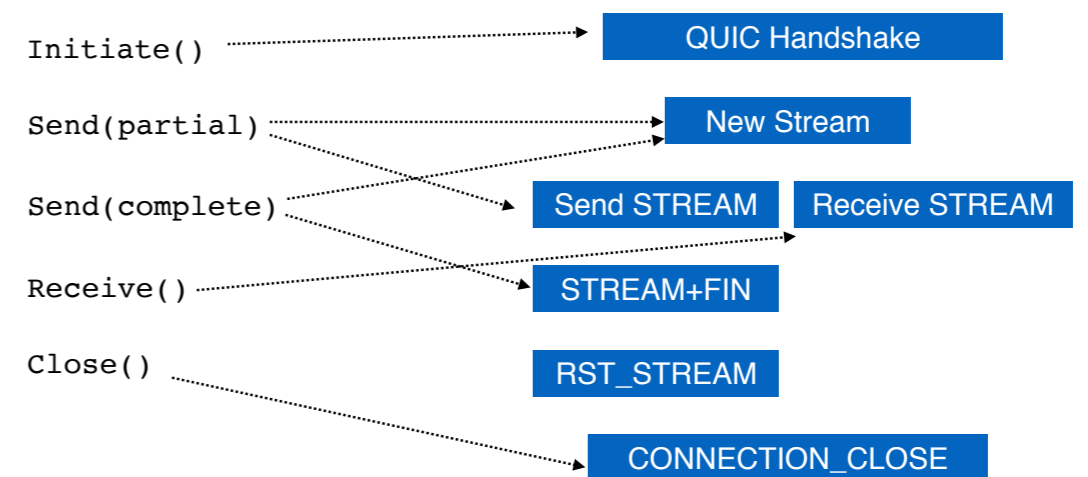


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Pooled Connection

Connection Pooling Functionality

- Same API for HTTP/1.1, HTTP/2, and HTTP/3, allows mixing them transparently.
- Automatic management of QUIC Streams for HTTP/3.
- Replacement for unbound UDP sockets.
- Replacement for the “one-to-many” interface of SCTP.
- Enable transparent connection migration.
- Enable per-message path selection.

Connection Pooling Variants

- Add Connection Pool Object – PR #295
 - Separate Connection Pool object.
 - A TAPS Connections always represents one underlying transport connection.
- Add Pooled Connections – PR #298
 - Selection Property enables Pooled Connections.
 - A TAPS connection can represent multiple underlying transport connections.

Connection Pool Example

```
RemoteSpecifier := NewRemoteEndpoint()
RemoteSpecifier.WithHostname("example.com")
RemoteSpecifier.WithService("https")
TransportProperties := NewTransportProperties()
TransportProperties.Require(preserve-msg-boundaries)
TransportProperties.Ignore(preserve-order)
// Security Parameters left out for brevity

Preconnection := NewPreconnection(None, RemoteSpecifier, TransportPreperities, SecurityParameters)
RequestorPool := Preconnection.RequestorPool()

// no ready event
reqRef := RequestorPool.Send(messageData: Request, reqRef: None)

RequestorPool.Receive()
RequestorPool -> Received(messageDataResponse, messageContext, requestRef)

RequestorPool.Stop()
```

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TransportProperties := NewTransportProperties()
TransportProperties.Require(preserve-msg-boundaries)
TransportProperties.Ignore(preserve-order)
TransportProperties.Prefer(pool-connections)
// Security Parameters left out for brevity

Preconnection := NewPreconnection(None, RemoteSpecifier, TransportPreperities, SecurityParameters)
Connection := Preconnection.Initiate()

Connection -> Ready<>
reqRef := Connection.Send(messageData: Request, reqRef: None)

Connection.Receive()
Connection -> Received(messageDataResponse, messageContext, reqRef)

Connection.Close()
```

