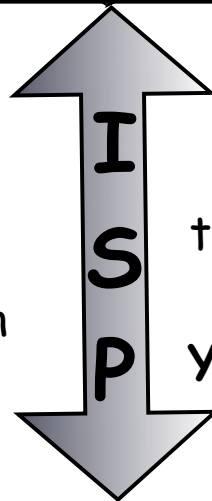


The primary function of the Internet Service Provider, (ISP), is To Connect your Computer to the Internet. A secondary function may be as an Email Provider.



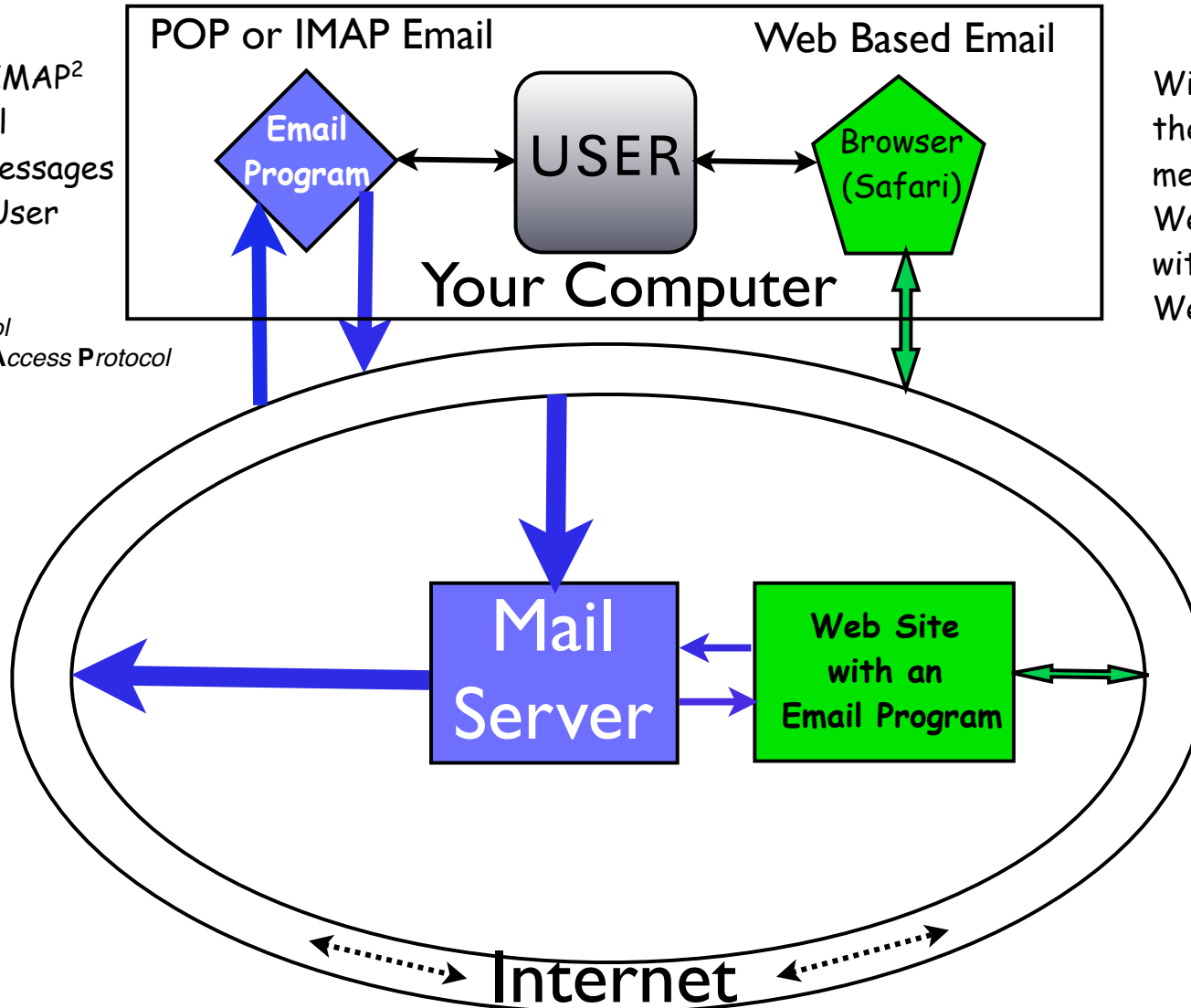
The Browser and Email Program function independently. The Browser accesses Web Sites via the ISP connection to the internet and the Email program accesses, **YOUR CHOICE**, of Email Providers with your Internet connection.



# ISP Basics

With POP<sup>1</sup> or IMAP<sup>2</sup> Email the Email program and messages reside on the User Computer.

1, **Post Office Protocol**  
2. **Internet Message Access Protocol**



With Web Based Email the Email program and messages reside on the Web and are accessed with a Browser via a Web Site.

The Mail Server resides at an Email provider's facility, and, like a Post Office, receives outgoing mail from the initiating User via the Internet, sorts it and sends it, via the Internet, to the recipient User's incoming mail box. Unlike a Post Office the Mail Server retains a copy. If you don't delete mail from your server it may eventually fill up and no longer accept new mail.

# Email Basics