

VEALC Server

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Introduction

VEALC (Vector Encryption Authentication and Logic Calculator) Server is a TCP server application written in C++ that provides:

- Client authentication using MD5 hashing with salt
- Vector data processing with overflow control
- Concurrent client session management
- Comprehensive logging system
- Configurable server settings

Chapter 1

Project Architecture

1.1 System Overview

The server follows a modular architecture with clear separation of concerns:

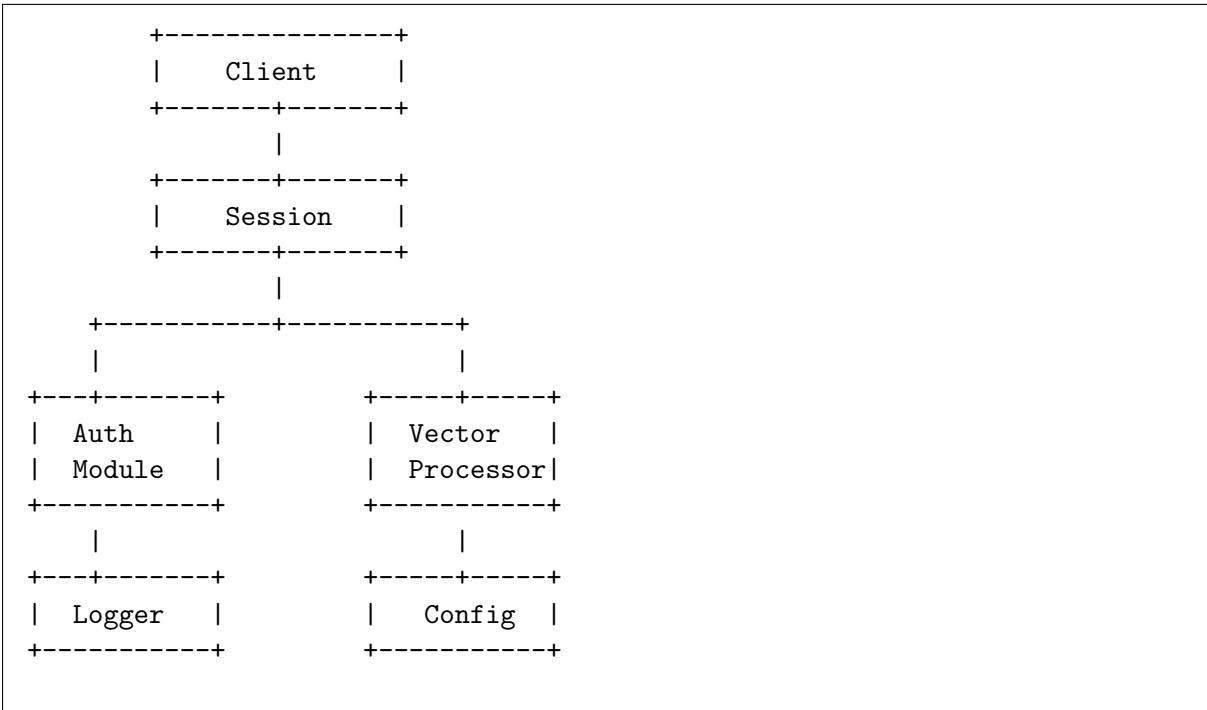


Figure 1.1: VEALC Server Architecture

1.2 Component Responsibilities

Component	Responsibility
Server	Main server class, manages connections and sessions
Session	Handles individual client communication
Authenticator	Client authentication using MD5
VectorProcessor	Mathematical vector calculations
Logger	Logging system for events and errors
Config	Server configuration management

Chapter 2

Class Documentation

2.1 Class: Server

2.1.1 Class Definition

```
1 class Server {
2     private:
3         ServerConfig config_;
4         Logger logger_;
5         std::unordered_map<std::string, std::string> clients_;
6         int server_fd_;
7
8         void load_clients();
9         void setup_socket();
10        void accept_connections();
11
12    public:
13        Server(const ServerConfig& config);
14        ~Server();
15        void run();
16    };
```

Listing 2.1: Server Class Header

2.1.2 Public Methods

Method	Description
Server(const ServerConfig& config)	Constructor with configuration
~Server()	Destructor, closes socket
void run()	Starts the main server loop

2.1.3 Private Methods

Method	Description
void load_clients()	Loads client database from file
void setup_socket()	Configures server socket
void accept_connections()	Accepts incoming client connections

2.2 Class: Session

2.2.1 Class Definition

```

1 class Session {
2 private:
3     int client_socket;
4     std::unordered_map<std::string, std::string>& clients;
5     Logger& logger;
6     std::string receive_buffer;
7
8     void receive_to_buffer();
9     std::string extract_from_buffer_until_non_hex();
10    std::string extract_from_buffer_exact(size_t length);
11    bool verify_authentication(const std::string& login,
12                               const std::string& salt,
13                               const std::string& received_hash);
14    void process_vectors();
15    uint32_t receive_uint32();
16    std::vector<int32_t> receive_vector(uint32_t size);
17    void send_uint32(uint32_t value);
18    void send_int32(int32_t value);
19    std::string calculate_md5(const std::string& data);
20    int32_t calculate_vector_product(const std::vector<int32_t>& vector);
21
22 public:
23     Session(int client_socket,
24             std::unordered_map<std::string, std::string>& clients,
25             Logger& logger);
26     void handle();
27     bool send_text(const std::string& text);
28 };

```

Listing 2.2: Session Class Header

2.2.2 Key Methods

- `handle()` - Main session handler
- `verify_authentication()` - Client authentication
- `calculate_vector_product()` - Vector multiplication with overflow control

2.3 Class: Authenticator

2.3.1 Class Definition

```

1 class Authenticator {
2 public:
3     static std::string generate_salt_16();
4     static std::string calculate_md5_hash(const std::string& salt,
5                                           const std::string& password);
6     static bool verify_client(const std::string& login,
7                               const std::string& received_hash,
8                               const std::string& salt,
9                               const std::unordered_map<std::string, std::string
10                                >& clients);
11 };

```

Listing 2.3: Authenticator Class Header

2.3.2 Static Methods

- `generate_salt_16()` - Generates 16-byte random salt
- `calculate_md5_hash()` - Computes MD5(salt + password)
- `verify_client()` - Verifies client credentials

2.4 Class: VectorProcessor

2.4.1 Class Definition

```

1 class VectorProcessor {
2     public:
3         static int32_t calculate_product(const Vector& vector);
4         static std::vector<int32_t> multiply_vectors(const std::vector<Vector>&
5             vectors);
6 };

```

Listing 2.4: VectorProcessor Class Header

2.4.2 Algorithm Implementation

```

1 int32_t VectorProcessor::calculate_product(const Vector& vector) {
2     if (vector.empty()) return 0;
3
4     int64_t product = 1;
5     for (int32_t val : vector) {
6         int64_t val64 = static_cast<int64_t>(val);
7
8         // Overflow check
9         if (val64 != 0 && llabs(product) > INT64_MAX / llabs(val64)) {
10             return (product > 0 && val64 > 0) ? INT32_MAX : INT32_MIN;
11         }
12         product *= val64;
13     }
14
15     // Clamp to int32 range
16     if (product > INT32_MAX) return INT32_MAX;
17     if (product < INT32_MIN) return INT32_MIN;
18     return static_cast<int32_t>(product);
19 }

```

Listing 2.5: Vector Product Calculation with Overflow Control

2.5 Class: Logger

2.5.1 Class Definition

```

1 class Logger {
2     private:
3         std::string log_file_;
4         std::string get_current_time();
5
6     public:
7         Logger(const std::string& filename);
8         void log(const std::string& message, bool critical = false);
9         void log_add(const std::string& message);

```

```
10     void log_error(const std::string& error, bool critical = false);  
11 };
```

Listing 2.6: Logger Class Header

2.5.2 Log Format

```
[2024-01-15 10:30:00] [CRITICAL] err: Error message  
[2024-01-15 10:30:05] [NON-CRITICAL] Info message
```

2.6 Struct: ServerConfig

2.6.1 Structure Definition

```
1 struct ServerConfig {  
2     std::string client_db_file = "/etc/vealc.conf";  
3     std::string log_file = "/var/log/vealc.log";  
4     int port = 33333;  
5  
6     static ServerConfig parse_args(int argc, char* argv[]);  
7     static void print_help();  
8 };
```

Listing 2.7: ServerConfig Structure

Chapter 3

File Documentation

3.1 Header Files (.h)

3.1.1 auth.h

- **Purpose:** Client authentication declarations
- **Contains:** Authenticator class
- **Dependencies:** <string>, <unordered_map>

3.1.2 config.h

- **Purpose:** Server configuration
- **Contains:** ServerConfig structure
- **Dependencies:** <string>

3.1.3 logger.h

- **Purpose:** Logging system interface
- **Contains:** Logger class
- **Dependencies:** <string>

3.1.4 session.h

- **Purpose:** Client session management
- **Contains:** Session class
- **Dependencies:** <string>, <vector>, <unordered_map>

3.1.5 server.h

- **Purpose:** Main server interface
- **Contains:** Server class
- **Dependencies:** "config.h", "logger.h", <unordered_map>

3.1.6 types.h

- **Purpose:** Common type definitions
- **Contains:** Vector, ByteArray type aliases
- **Dependencies:** <cstdint>, <vector>

3.1.7 vector_processor.h

- **Purpose:** Vector calculations interface
- **Contains:** VectorProcessor class
- **Dependencies:** "types.h", <cstdint>, <vector>

3.2 Source Files (.cpp)

3.2.1 auth.cpp

- **Purpose:** Authentication implementation
- **Implements:** Authenticator methods
- **Dependencies:** "auth.h", <openssl/md5.h>, <random>

3.2.2 config.cpp

- **Purpose:** Configuration parsing
- **Implements:** ServerConfig methods
- **Dependencies:** "config.h", <iostream>, <cstring>

3.2.3 logger.cpp

- **Purpose:** Logging implementation
- **Implements:** Logger methods
- **Dependencies:** "logger.h", <fstream>, <ctime>

3.2.4 main.cpp

- **Purpose:** Program entry point
- **Contains:** main() function
- **Dependencies:** "server.h", "config.h"

3.2.5 session.cpp

- **Purpose:** Session handling implementation
- **Implements:** Session methods
- **Dependencies:** "session.h", <openssl/md5.h>, <sys/socket.h>

3.2.6 server.cpp

- **Purpose:** Server implementation
- **Implements:** Server methods
- **Dependencies:** "server.h", "session.h", <sys/socket.h>

3.2.7 vector_processor.cpp

- **Purpose:** Vector calculations implementation
- **Implements:** VectorProcessor methods
- **Dependencies:** "vector_processor.h", <climits>

Chapter 4

Communication Protocol

4.1 Authentication Phase

Client → Server: login[16_hex_salt] [32_hex_hash]
Server → Client: "OK\n" or "err\n"

4.2 Data Processing Phase

Client → Server: vector_count (uint32, 4 bytes)
For each vector (vector_count times):
 Client → Server: vector_size (uint32, 4 bytes)
 Client → Server: vector_data (int32[vector_size], 4*size bytes)
 Server → Client: product (int32, 4 bytes)

4.3 Example Session

```
1 // Authentication
2 Client sends: "alice4F3A1B8C9D2E7F5A32B4C6D8EOF1A2B4"
3 Server sends: "OK\n"
4
5 // Vector processing
6 Client sends: 0x00000002 (2 vectors)
7
8 // First vector
9 Client sends: 0x00000003 (3 elements)
10 Client sends: 0x00000002 0x00000003 0x00000004 (2, 3, 4)
11 Server sends: 0x00000018 (24)
12
13 // Second vector
14 Client sends: 0x00000002 (2 elements)
15 Client sends: 0xFFFFFFFF 0x00000002 (INT32_MAX, 2)
16 Server sends: 0xFFFFFFFF (INT32_MAX, overflow detected)
```

Listing 4.1: Example Protocol Exchange

Chapter 5

Configuration

5.1 Client Database Format

Client credentials are stored in `/etc/vealc.conf`:

```
username:password
alice:P@ssw0rd1
bob:Secret123
charlie:Qwerty!@#
```

5.2 Command Line Arguments

Option	Default	Description
<code>-p PORT</code>	33333	Server port number
<code>-c FILE</code>	<code>/etc/vealc.conf</code>	Client database file
<code>-d FILE</code>	(same as <code>-c</code>)	Alias for <code>-c</code>
<code>-l FILE</code>	<code>/var/log/vealc.log</code>	Log file location
<code>-h, --help</code>	-	Show help message

5.3 Example Usage

```
# Default configuration
./server

# Custom port and config
./server -p 44444 -c ./myclients.conf -l ./server.log

# Show help
./server --help
```


Chapter 6

Build and Deployment

6.1 Compilation

```
1 g++ -std=c++11 -o server \
2   main.cpp server.cpp session.cpp \
3   auth.cpp config.cpp logger.cpp \
4   vector_processor.cpp \
5   -lssl -lcrypto
```

Listing 6.1: Compilation Command

6.2 Dependencies

- **Compiler:** g++ with C++11 support
- **Libraries:** OpenSSL (libssl-dev)
- **System:** Linux with POSIX sockets

6.3 Installation

1. Install dependencies: `sudo apt-get install g++ libssl-dev`
2. Compile the server: `make` or `g++ ...`
3. Create configuration: `sudo cp vealc.conf /etc/`
4. Set up log file: `sudo touch /var/log/vealc.log`
5. Run server: `./server`

Chapter 7

Security Considerations

7.1 Current Implementation

- **Authentication:** MD5(salt + password)
- **Password Storage:** Plain text in file
- **Network:** Unencrypted TCP
- **Salt:** 16-byte random hex string

7.2 Security Limitations

Warning: This implementation is for educational purposes only. Production use requires:

- Replace MD5 with SHA-256 or bcrypt
- Encrypt network traffic with TLS/SSL
- Hash passwords before storage
- Implement rate limiting
- Add input validation and sanitization
- Use secure random number generation

Chapter 8

Troubleshooting

8.1 Common Issues

Issue	Cause	Solution
Bind failed	Port already in use	Use different port or kill existing process
Cannot open client database	File doesn't exist or no permissions	Check file path and permissions
Authentication failed	Wrong password or hash calculation	Verify password in config file
Connection refused	Server not running or firewall	Start server and check firewall

8.2 Debugging

- Check logs: `tail -f /var/log/vealc.log`
- Verify configuration: `cat /etc/vealc.conf`
- Test connectivity: `netstat -tlnp | grep 33333`
- Monitor processes: `ps aux | grep server`

Appendix A

Type Definitions

A.1 Vector Type

```
1 using Vector = std::vector<int32_t>;
```

A.2 ByteArray Type

```
1 using ByteArray = std::vector<uint8_t>;
```


Appendix B

Complete File Listing

B.1 Project Structure

```
vealc-server/
  include/
    auth.h
    config.h
    logger.h
    server.h
    session.h
    types.h
    vector_processor.h
  src/
    auth.cpp
    config.cpp
    logger.cpp
    main.cpp
    server.cpp
    session.cpp
    vector_processor.cpp
  Doxyfile
  Makefile
  vealc.conf
  README.md
```


Appendix C

Index

C.1 Classes

- Server - Main server class
- Session - Client session handler
- Authenticator - Authentication module
- VectorProcessor - Vector calculations
- Logger - Logging system
- ServerConfig - Configuration structure

C.2 Files

- `auth.h/cpp` - Authentication
- `config.h/cpp` - Configuration
- `logger.h/cpp` - Logging
- `main.cpp` - Entry point
- `session.h/cpp` - Session handling
- `server.h/cpp` - Server implementation
- `types.h` - Common types
- `vector_processor.h/cpp` - Vector processing

Conclusion

VEALC Server provides a complete solution for client authentication and vector data processing. The modular architecture allows for easy maintenance and extension. While suitable for educational purposes, production deployment would require additional security measures.

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