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Simple Web Server.

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#### Abstract

This project consists of two parts each one of them contains the following

- 1- Part 1: in this part we are going to try running some network commands which are ping, tracert, and nslookup, also we will explain the output of each one of them in details.
- 2- Part 2: in this part we will implement a simple but complete web server using python TCP socket programming, that will provide some functions defined by their paths, which are the follows:
  - Main index page (path: / or /index.html)
  - PNG image (path: /imagename.png)
  - JPEG image (path:/ imagename.jpg)
  - Sort a pre-defined file by name (path: /sortName)
  - Sort a pre-defined file by price (path: /sortPrice)
  - Error page for undefined paths (path: / any undefined path)

Finally, we will give our own conclusion about the whole experiment.

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# Part 1 Ping a device in the same network, e.g., from laptop to a smartphone

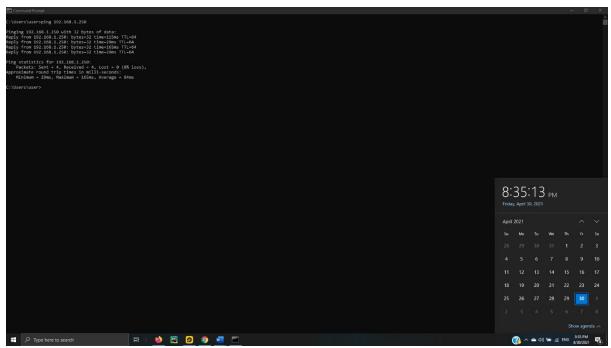


Figure 1: pinging a device in the same network

As we can see from figure 1, we tried to ping my own smart phone by its ip address by sending four 32-bit packets and waiting for them it to return back. In the next lines we can see the response from Stanford's server, which contain 3 main attributes as follows:

- 1- bytes: which indicates the size of the sent packet.
- 2- Time: which represents the total time taking to send the packet and receive it back.
- 3- TTL: which stands for time to live; time to live is the maximum number of hobs the message can pass through before returning back. Note that time to live is usually used to prevent the packet from entering an infinite loop between two or more hops.

Finally, we can see a brief summary of the hall operation, with the total number of sent packets and the total number of acknowledgments received; to find out if there is a loss or not, also we can see the maximum and the minimum response time at all sent packets, and the average response time.

#### ping www.stanford.edu

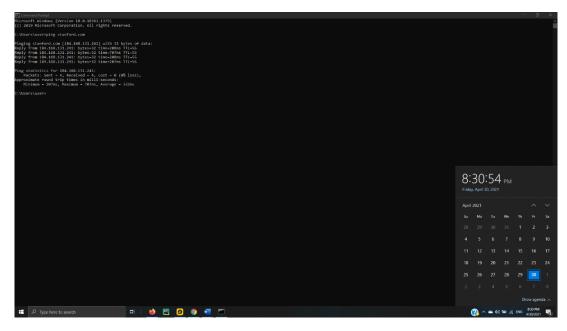


Figure 2: pinging Stanford university server

As we can see from figure 2, we tried to ping Stanford university server by sending four 32-bit packets and waiting for them it to return back. In the next lines we can see the response from Stanford's server, which contain 3 main attributes as follows:

- 4- bytes: which indicates the size of the sent packet.
- 5- Time: which represents the total time taking to send the packet and receive it back.
- 6- TTL: which stands for time to live; time to live is the maximum number of hobs the message can pass through during its trip. Note that time to live is usually used to prevent the packet from entering an infinite loop between two or more hops.

Finally, we can see a brief summary of the hall operation, with the total number of sent packets and the total number of acknowledgments to find out if there is a loss or not, also we can see the maximum and the minimum response time in all 4 sent packets, and also the average response time.

#### tracert www.stanford.edu

```
| Comparation |
```

Figure 3: tracing the route to Stanford university server

In figure 3, we can see that trace rout command, which tests the network through a specific sever, but in a more details compared to the ping, since it shows as each router the packet passes through before reaching the destination sever, for example if we look at the results we got, we can see that we send three packets to each route and measure the total response time for each one of them. The first line shows the first router the packets pass through which is the home router since the time taken is very low, next they move to the ISP server resulting in an increase on the response time, after that the packets keep travelling through the routers with increasing response times (due to the increasing distance), until they reach the final destination router. Note that there is a router with a time out response, that's mostly due to some configurations on that router, that allow it to block the trace rout packets, due to security reasons most of the time.

## nslookup www.stanford.edu

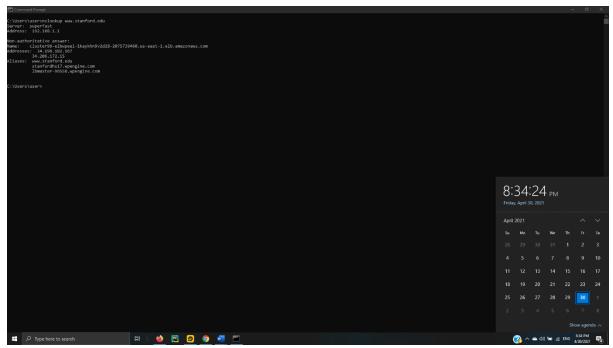


Figure 4: asking the DNS server about the IP address of Stanford university server

In figure 4 we can see the result after applying the nslookup command, which asks the DNS server for the IP address for the corresponding domain name. When we ask the DNS server about the IP address for the domain name standford.edu, it returns the IP addresses 34.196.182.176 and 32.206.172.15, also it returns the aliasing names for the same domain name like stanfordhs17.wpenine.com.

#### Part 2

Part one of the code is shown in the following figure.

Figure 5: Part 1 of Server's Code Creating the server)

At first the port of the server is defined to be 9000 then at line 6 an internet server that uses TCP connection is defined and at line 7 the port 9000 is assigned to the created server. Then at line 8, the server starts listening for incoming requests.

At line 12, the while handles every incoming request, at first the client socket and his address are accepted by the server, then the HTTP request of the client decoded and stored in a variable called **sentence**. Next two lines print to the console the IP and the port numbers of the client as well as the HTPP request. Part 2 of the code is shown in the next figure.

```
url = sentence.split()[1] # Get the requested page.

if (url == '/') or (url == '/index.html'):

index = open('index.html'):

indexCode = index.read() # Read the index.html file.

index.close() # Close the file.

connectionSocket.send('HTTP/1.1 200 ok\r\n'.encode()) # Tell the client that everything is ok and the connectionSocket.send('Content-Type: text/html \r\n'.encode()) # Set the type to HTML page.

connectionSocket.send('\r\n'.encode()) # End of the header of the response.

connectionSocket.send(indexCode.encode()) # Send HTML code after encoding.
```

Figure 6: Part 2 of Server's Code (index.html)

Line 18 extracts the requested URL. Then, the URL is checked. If the URL is / or /index.html then the main page is sent to the client, at first the index.html file is read then the response sends the header to the client which consists of that the HTTP/1.1 request is done successfully (line 23) and the content is an HTML code (line 24) then it sends an indicator for the end of header (line 25). Finally, the data which is the HTML code is sent (line 26). Part 3 of the code is shown in the next figure.

```
elif url.endswith('.jpg') or url.endswith('.jpg/') or url.endswith('.png') or url.endswith('.png/'):

imageName = url.split('.')[1]  # Get image name.

imageType = imageName.split('.')[1] # Get image type.

if imageType == 'jpg':  # For .jpg images the content-type in header must be jpeg.

imageType = 'jpeg'

connectionSocket.send('HTTP/1.1 200 ok\r\n'.encode())

connectionSocket.send(('Content-Type: image/' + imageType + '\r\n').encode()) # Set image type.

connectionSocket.send('\r\n'.encode())

imagePath = os.path.join('imageS', imageName)

image = open(imagePath, 'rb')

imageData = image.read()

image.close()

connectionSocket.send(imageData)
```

Figure 7: Part 3 of Server's Code (.jpg & .png Images)

If the requested page is not the index.html file then the server checks if it's an image with either .jpg or .png extensions. At first, the name of the image is extracted from the URL then the type of image is extracted too. Next, the type is checked if it was jpg then the type variable is set to jpeg as the response should contain jpeg as a type for jpg images. Then the response is sent the same way as before, sending the header  $\rightarrow$  ok message with status code 200 and the content type as image/ (imageType variable to work for both extensions). Then the image is read from the images file as all images are stored in a folder called images. Finally, the image is sent to the client. Part 4 of the code is shown in the next figure.

```
elif url == "/sortName" or url == "/sortName/":

connectionSocket.send('HTTP/1.1 200 ok\r\n'.encode())

connectionSocket.send('Content-Type: text/plain \r\n'.encode()) # Sending plain text.

connectionSocket.send('\r\n'.encode())

data = pd.read_csv('data.csv') # Read the csv file that is to be sorted depending on name.

names = data.lloc[:, 0].values # Get names field as an array.

prices = data.iloc[:, 1].values # Get prices field as an array.

# Sort the two array depending on the name in an ascending order.

for i in range(0, len(names)):

if names[i] < names[i]:

names[i], names[j] = names[j], names[i]

prices[i], prices[j] = prices[j], prices[i]

numberOfSpaces = 50 # Defining a fixed number of spaces that will split the 2 columns that will be sent message = "Names" + " " * (numberOfSpaces - 5) + " | Prices\n" # Put titles to the columns.

for i in range(0, len(names)): # Add each name under names column and each price under prices column.

message += str(names[i]) + " " * (numberOfSpaces - len(names[i])) + " | " + str(prices[i]) + "\n"

connectionSocket.send(message.encode()) # Send the sorted data as a plain text.
```

Figure 8: Part 4 of Server's Code (/sortPrice)

Here the server checks if the requested page is /sortName, in this case a csv file is read and sorted depending on the name field in an ascending order and sent to the client as a plain text. At first, the header is sent to the client with a status code 200 and content type as plain text. Then, the data.csv file is read and converted to two distinct arrays, one array is for the name field and the other for price field, then the two arrays are sorted in an ascending order using bubble sort depending on the name. Then, a string is created to store the sorted arrays and send them to the client. Part 5 is exactly the same as this one except that the sort is done depending on the price, the code is in the following figure.

Figure 9: Part 5 of Server's Code (/sortPrice)

Final part of the code which is responsible for sending a 404 page not found is shown in the following figure.

```
notFound = open('404.html')
notFound.close()
# Add the IP and Port numbers of the client to the HTML code at their predefined places that are ? (Replace index = notFoundCode.index("?")
firstPart = notFoundCode[index]
secondPart = notFoundCode[index + 1:]
notFoundCode = firstPart + str(addr[0]) + secondPart
index = notFoundCode.index("?")
firstPart = notFoundCode(index)
secondPart = notFoundCode(index)
secondPart = notFoundCode[index]
secondPart = notFoundCode[index + 1:]
notFoundCode = firstPart + str(addr[1]) + secondPart

connectionSocket.send('HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found\r\n'.encode()) # Tell the client that the page not found wit connectionSocket.send('Content-Type: text/html \r\n'.encode())
connectionSocket.send('\r\n'.encode())
connectionSocket.send(notFoundCode.encode()) # Send the page.
connectionSocket.close() # Close the connection.
```

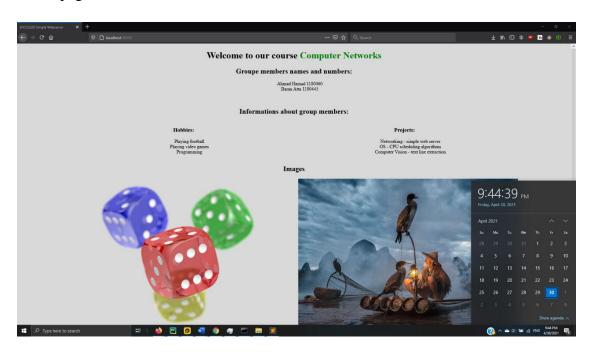
Figure 10: Final Part of Server's Code (404.html)

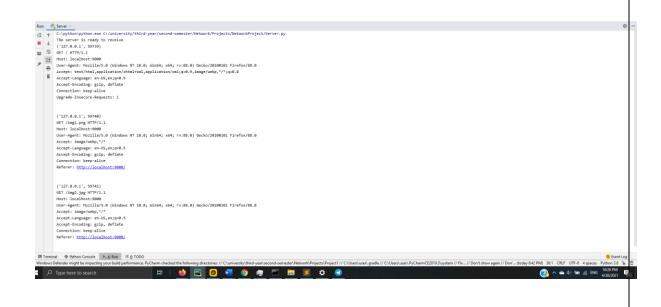
When the requested URL is unknown a 404 page is sent. At first a 404.html file is read. Next, there are two question marks in the code of the file needs to be replaced by the IP and port numbers of the client, so the index of the first? is found then the IP of the client is inserted by splitting the code to two parts and inserting the IP between them, the port number of the client is inserted using the same way. Next, the header of the response is sent by sending a status code 404 Not Found and setting the content type to html. Finally, the data which the html code is sent to the client and the connection is closed.

## Screen shot for each request

Main page (/ or / index.html)

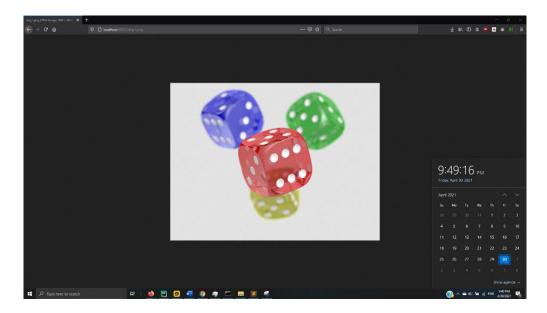
• Client page

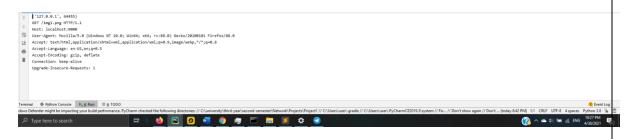




## PNG image(/imagename.png)

## • Client page





## JPEG image (/imagename.jpg)

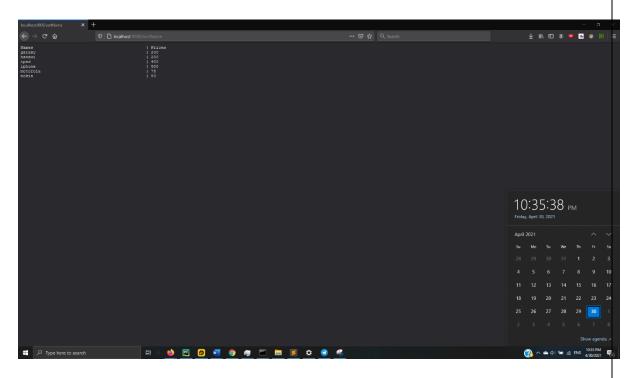
## • Client page





Sorting the file depending on the name (/sortName)

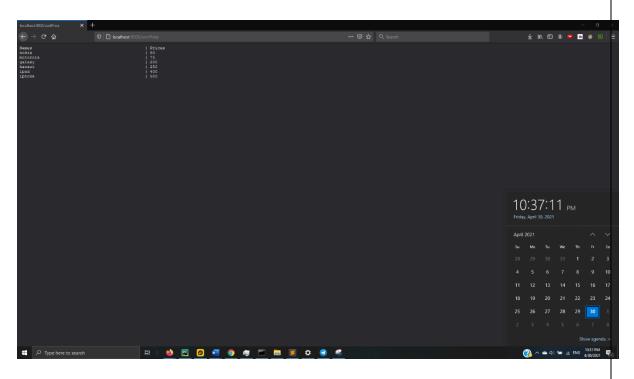
• Client page

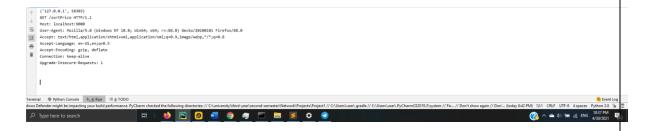




Sort the file depending on the price (/sortPrice)

• Client page





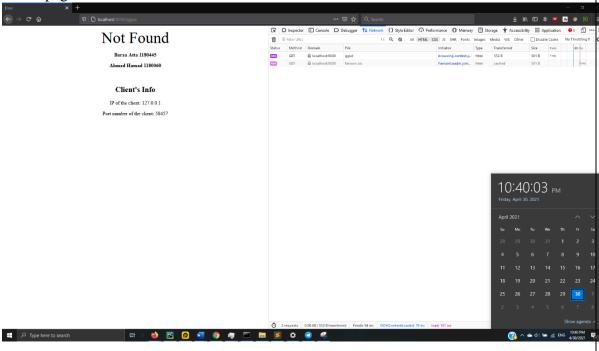
#### running the index page on my mobile

• Client page



Showing the error page (/any undefined path)

• Client page





#### Conclusion

In this project we have learned about some main commands, that are used to test the network, like the ping, traceroute, and nslookup, moreover we saw the output after executing them and what each line means, and how it can be used to determine where the problem occurs.

At the second part we implemented a basic web server, using TCP socket programming, this part was very useful, since we learned from it how we can handle different types of requests and deal with each one of them separately.

Finally, we can say that we were interested in working at this project, because it takes from the theoretical analysis of networks to the actual field in which those protocols are used.