Assignment for the lecture

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Assignment 1

Programming Assignment (Proxy Server)

Due Date: March 29, 2021 (Demos)

Guidelines:

- Any form of Plagiarism will result in Straight F in the Course.
- This is a high weightage group (maximum 2 members) Assignment and grading would be based on completeness and clarity of your code. This means you have to write neat code with lots of comments.
- This assignment has hard deadline and any late submissions won't be accepted.

Overview

In this assignment, you will implement a web proxy that passes requests and data between multiple web clients and web servers, **concurrently** (fork a process for each new client request). When you're done with the assignment, you should be able to configure your web browser to use your personal proxy server as a web proxy that is capable of handling the following tasks.

- 1. HTTP communications between client and server.
- 2. HTTPs communications between client and server.
- 3. Caching of popular content using at least two scheduling algorithms.
- 4. Content filtering (filtering rules should be configurable via admin console).

References:

- Guide to Network Programming Using Sockets
 - o http://beej.us/guide/bgnet/
- HTTP Made Really Easy- A Practical Guide to Writing Clients and Servers
 - http://www.jmarshall.com/easy/http/
- Wikipedia page on fork()
 - o https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fork (system call)