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## **Socket Programming Project**

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The purpose of this project is to implement your own application program in which processes communicate using sockets to build a *distributed storage system* (DSS) to store and retrieve files.

- You may write your code in C/C++ or in Python; no other programming language is permitted. Each of these languages has a socket programming library that you **must** use for communication.
- The application programs that form your solution to this project **must** be multi-threaded.
- This project **must** either be completed individually or by a group of size at most two. Whatever your choice, you **must** join a Socket Group under the People tab on Canvas before Sunday, 09/21/2025. This group can be the same as or different from the group used in Lab 1.
- Each group **must** restrict its use of port numbers to prevent the possibility of application programs from interfering with each other. As described in §3.3, port numbers are dependent on you group number.
- You **must** use GitHub, a version control system, as you develop your solution to this project. Your code repository **must** be *private* to prevent anyone from plagiarizing your work. It is expected that you will commit changes to your repository on a regular basis. You will be required to provide a full commit history to demonstrate both your effort invested in this project and the provenance of your code.

Following a brief overview of DSSs and the application architecture for this project in §1, the requirements of the manager, user, and disk programs are provided in §2. Some implementation details, such as the use of multithreading, are described in §3. The requirements for the milestone and full project submissions are described in §4.

# 1 A Distributed Storage System using Block-Interleaved Distributed Parity

Disk arrays for storage systems were first proposed in the 1980s. Such network-based systems have evolved into cloud-based storage services such as Amazon's Simple Storage Service (S3) [1].

Today's cloud-based storage services are still based on ideas from RAID, *i.e.*, disk arrays in which multiple, independent physical disks are organized into a large, high-performance *logical* disk [2]. Disk arrays stripe data across multiple drives in order to access them in parallel. Striping not only enables higher data transfer rates, it also improves load balancing across the drives. The granularity of striping is either bit-level or block-level.

Large disk arrays, however, are vulnerable to disk failures [2]. As a result, some form of redundancy is used to tolerate disk failures [5]. Parity is one such method. Rather than a storing the results of a parity computation on the same drive, the parity can be distributed across the disk array.

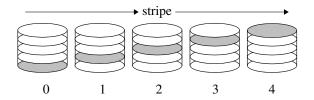


Figure 1: Block-interleaved distributed parity in a disk array of n=5 drives.

Figure 1 illustrates block-interleaved distributed parity (BIDP) in an array of n=5 drives. Each drive has multiple "platters" indicating blocks. The parity block (shaded) is computed from the contents of other blocks in the same stripe. In each stripe, the parity block is on a different drive and, here, is distributed uniformly over all of the drives.

Figure 2 depicts the high-level architecture of the DSS application to be implemented in this socket project. For simplification, the DSS will be implemented by a data structure in main memory of n processes rather than on n physical disk drives. In the figure, three processes collectively implement a disk array of n = 3 drives using BIDP.

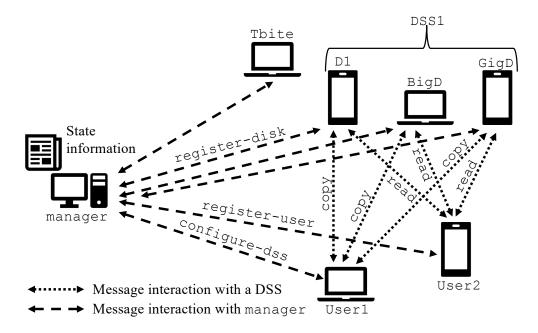


Figure 2: High level architecture of the DSS application.

The manager process maintains state information about the DSS, such as parameters of the disk array and users of the DSS. In this example, suppose three disk processes (D1, BigD, and GigD) are configured to operate as a disk array of size n=3 named DSS1 with striping-unit of 1 KB. One user process (User1) is shown copying a file to the DSS while another (User2) is reading a file from it. These file operations can performed in parallel by separate threads to improve performance, checking parity on a per stripe basis.

# 2 The Distributed Storage System Application

This socket programming project involves the design and implementation of three programs:

- 1. The first program implements an "always-on" single-threaded manager process to support management of the processes implementing  $k \ge 1$  DSS, and its users. Your manager must read one command line parameter, an integer giving the port number (from your port number set) where the manager listens for messages.
- 2. The second program implements a multi-threaded disk process. It may participate as one disk in a disk array, *i.e.*, a DSS. A disk should read five command line parameters:
  - (a) the name of the disk,
  - (b) the IPv4 address of the manager in dotted decimal,
  - (c) the port number of the manager,
  - (d) a management port number (from your port number set), and
  - (e) a command port number (from your port number set).
- 3. The third program implements a user process. After a DSS is configured, a user can use it to store and retrieve files, among other operations, some of which must be multi-threaded. A user reads five command line parameters, the same as the disk program except that the name is a user name rather than a disk name.

The messages to be supported by the manager are described in  $\S 2.1$ . Messages to be supported by peers, *i.e.*, disks and users, are described in  $\S 2.2$ .

## 2.1 The DSS Manager Protocol

Recall that a *protocol* defines the format and the order of messages exchanged between two or more communicating entities, as well as the actions taken on the transmission and/or receipt of a message or other event [3].

First, the manager process is started on a host. It then runs in an infinite loop listening on the given message port. As it processes messages, the manager updates state of the DSS application.

Peer processes (disks and users) can then be started. They read commands from stdin – no fancy UI is expected! A peer reads in a command and constructs a message to be sent to the manager or to another peer over a UDP socket in the expected format, and waits for a response. Management ports (m-port) are used for communication between the manager and peers. Command ports (c-port) are used for communication between peers.

As you process commands, you should produce a well-labelled trace the messages transmitted and received between processes so that it is easy to follow what is happening in your DSS application program.

In the following, <> bracket parameters to a command, while the other strings are literals. The manager must support messages corresponding to the following commands issued at a peer:

1. register-user (user-name) (IPv4-addr) (m-port) (c-port), sent by a user process to register itself with the manager. The user-name is an alphabetic string of length at most 15 characters, IPv4-addr is the IPv4 address in dotted decimal of the host running this user process, and m-port and c-port are port numbers the manager and peers use, respectively, to communicate with this user.

On receipt of a register-user, the manager checks that the parameters of the command satisfy certain conditions. Specifically, each user-name may only be registered once. The IPv4-addr of a user need not be unique, *i.e.*, one or more peer processes may run on the same end host. However, the ports used for communication by each process must be unique. If the conditions of the parameters are satisfied, the manager adds the parameters to the app's state, and responds to the user with a return code of SUCCESS.

In the case of a duplicate registration, or some other problem, the manager responds to the user's m-port with a return code of FAILURE.

2. register-disk \(\disk-name\) \(\lambda IPv4-addr\) \(\lambda m-port\) \(\lambda c-port\), sent by a disk process to register itself with the manager. The parameters are the same as for the register-user command, except that the name is the name of the disk rather than a user's name.

On receipt of a register-disk, the manager takes essentially the same actions as for the register-user command. One difference is that if the registration is successful, the manager also tracks the state of disk-name. Initially, disk-name has state Free, *i.e.*, it is a available to act as one disk of a disk array.

3. configure-dss  $\langle dss-name \rangle \langle n \rangle \langle striping-unit \rangle$ , sent by a user process to configure a DSS. The dss-name is an alphabetic string of length at most 15 characters and  $n \geq 3$  is the number of disks in the disk array. The striping-unit is the block size in bytes; it must be a power of two.

While each disk may participate in only one DSS at a time, the application should be able to support more than one DSS in the system.

The configure-dss command results in a return code of FAILURE if:

- $n \geq 3$ ,
- there are fewer than n disks with a state of Free,
- the striping-unit is not a power of two between 128 bytes and 1 MB, or
- a DSS with name dss-name has already been configured.

Otherwise, the manager selects at random n disks with a state of Free from those registered updating each one's state to InDSS for the given dss-name and striping-unit. The **order** of the disks in the disk array is part of the configuration, to ensure the correct storage and retrieval of files. Then the manager confirms configuration of a DSS by responding with a return code of SUCCESS.

- 4. 1s, sent by a user process to list the files stored on all DSSs. This command results in a return code of FAILURE if no DSSs are configured. Otherwise, the manager sets the return code to SUCCESS and constructs a response to the query that includes, for each DSS:
  - the parameters of the DSS itself, including its dss-name, n along with the names of the n disks making up the disk array given in order, and the striping-unit.
  - the parameters of each file stored on the DSS including the file-name, file-size, and owner.

On receipt of a successful query, the user process summarizes the output.

Suppose, as Figure 2 depicts, DSS1 is configured with n=3, and a striping-unit of size 1 KB. Further suppose that DSS1 contains three files created by two different users. Then an example summary includes all details:

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DSS1: Disk array with n=3 (D1, BigD, GigD) with striping-unit 1 KB. day-of-affirmation.txt 6286 B User2 in-flanders.txt 587 B User1 tale-of-two-cities.txt 760,569 B User1
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5. copy (file-name) (file-size) (owner), sent by a user process to initiate the storage of a copy of a file on a DSS (in a flat file system). If no DSSs are configured, then the manager sends a return code of FAILURE.

Otherwise, this command operates in two phases, to effectively copy the file to a DSS in a critical section. The manager selects a DSS among those configured for the user to store its file. It informs the user of the parameters of the selected DSS as the response in the first phase. This includes the dss-name, the size n of the disk array, its striping-unit, and n triples providing the disk name, IPv4 address, and command port number of each disk process making up the disk array in configuration order:

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\begin{array}{cccc} \text{disk}_0 & \text{IPv4-addr}_0 & \text{c-port}_0 \\ \text{disk}_1 & \text{IPv4-addr}_1 & \text{c-port}_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \text{disk}_{n-1} & \text{IPv4-addr}_{n-1} & \text{c-port}_{n-1} \end{array}
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On receipt of the parameters, the user proceeds to copy the file to the named DSS; see 2.2.1 for details.

The manager waits for a copy-complete message from the user, indicating the completion of the file copy to the DSS; receipt of any other commands by the manager should result in FAILURE as a response. Only then does the manager update the directory information of the DSS, updating its state to include the file, its size, and owner (*i.e.*, the user-name that executed the copy) on the selected DSS. Finally, the manager sends a return code of SUCCESS indicating completion of second phase of the copy command.

6. read \(dss-name\) \(\lambda\) (\(\text{user-name}\rangle\), sent by a user process to read a file from a DSS. If no DSSs are configured, the file does not exist on the named DSS, or the user is not the owner of the file, then the manager sends a return code of FAILURE.

Otherwise, the file exists on the named DSS. The read operation does not need to take place within a critical section as it does not involve the modification of any blocks of the DSS. The manager sets the return code to SUCCESS and responds with the file-size and the parameters of the dss-name to the user. These parameters include the dss-name, the size n of the disk array, its striping-unit, and n triples providing the disk name, IPv4 address, and command port number of each disk process making up the disk array in configuration order as in the copy command.

On receipt of the parameters, the user proceeds to read the file from the named DSS; see 2.2.2 for details.

The manager must maintain state information of in-progress read operations to simplify any disk-failure commands. On receipt of read-complete from the named user, the manager deletes the read state and responds with a return code of SUCCESS.

7. disk-failure (dss-name), sent by a user process to trigger a disk failure in a DSS. If the named DSS is not configured or it has read operations in progress, then the manager sends a return code of FAILURE.

Otherwise, the DSS dss-name exists and is not being read. Similar to the copy command, a disk-failure operates in two phases to prevent operations on the DSS until the failure is resolved. The manager sends the user the parameters of the named DSS as the response in the first phase as in the copy and read commands.

On receipt of the parameters, the user proceeds to simulate a failure of a disk in the DSS; see 2.2.3 for details.

The manager then waits for a recovery-complete message from the user, indicating that the DSS has recovered from the failure; receipt of any other commands by the manager should result in FAILURE as a response. Then the manager sends a return code of SUCCESS indicating completion of the second phase of the disk-failure command.

- 8. deregister-user (user-name), issued by a user process to deregister itself with the manager. If the user does not exist then the manager sends a return code of FAILURE. Otherwise it removes state associated with the user-name and sends a return code of SUCCESS. Once deregistered, the user process terminates.
- 9. deregister-disk (disk-name), issued by a disk process to deregister itself with the manager. If the disk does not exist or disk-name has state InDSS then the manager sends a return code of FAILURE. Otherwise, it removes state associated with the disk-name and sends a return code of SUCCESS. Once deregistered, the disk process terminates.
- 10. decommission—dss (dss-name), issued by a user process to initiate the decommissioning of a DSS. If the DSS does not exist then the manager sends a return code of FAILURE.

Otherwise, this command needs to be effectively executed in a critical section, *i.e.*, the manager should respond with FAILURE for any incoming commands until this command is complete. Repurpose your implementation of the disk-failure and recovery-complete commands to instruct each disk in the DSS dss-name to delete its contents. Then, the state of each disk in the DSS should change from Index to Free, *i.e.*, each disk could be reconfigured in another DSS. Finally, the manager sends a return code of SUCCESS indicating completion of the decommission-dss command.

You are to define the details of the decommission-dss command. Document your design decisions.

## 2.2 The DSS Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Protocol

## 2.2.1 Copying a File to a DSS, copy

In response to the first phase of a copy, a user process obtains the parameters of the DSS selected by the manager that will be used to store the file on the disks making up the disk array.

The user process now proceeds to copy the file file-name on the DSS. This involves repeatedly reading blocks of the file to form a stripe, and writing the stripe **in parallel** to the disk array of size n. The redundancy-method is block-interleaved distributed parity (BIDP) hence each stripe contains n-1 data blocks and one parity block. The parity block is computed as the XOR of the n-1 data blocks in the stripe. All blocks are of size striping-unit. If there is insufficient data in the file to fill all blocks of a stripe, the blocks should be NULL (ASCII  $0 \times 00$ ) padded.

In successive stripes, the parity block is written to a different disk, *i.e.*, the parity is distributed across the disk array. As in Figure 1, in stripe zero, the parity block is stored on disk n-1. In stripe 1, the parity block is stored on disk

n-2. In general, in stripe  $i \ge 0$  the parity block is stored on disk  $n-((i \bmod n)+1)$ .

Suppose the DSS dss-name has n drives defined by the n triples. Further suppose that a file file-name to be stored on dss-name has f bytes, and that the striping-unit is b bytes. Then each stripe has n-1 blocks of size b, or  $(n-1)\times b$  bytes, of data. Therefore, a total of  $\lceil \frac{f}{(n-1)\times b} \rceil$  stripes are needed to store the file. For example, if n=3 and b=128 B, then each stripe has two data blocks and one parity block of size b. If the file in-flanders.txt has 587 B, then a total of  $\lceil \frac{587}{2\times 128} \rceil = 3$  stripes are needed to store the file (with the last stripe NULL padded).

For each set of n-1 data blocks read from the file, a parity block is computed. The n blocks are then mapped to the stripe, interleaving the parity block with the data blocks as determined by the stripe number. Once the stripe is formed, n threads are spawned, with thread  $0 \le i < n$  writing block i of the stripe to  $c-port_i$  of the  $disk-name_i$  running on the host with  $IPv4-addr_i$ . The threads terminate after the stripe has been written.

Iterate until the entire file has been copied to the disk array, where the number of iterations equals  $\lceil \frac{f}{(n-1)\times b} \rceil$ , the number of stripes. The user process then sends a copy-complete message to the manager, and waits for a response of SUCCESS, indicating the second phase of the copy command is complete.

You are to define the details of the copy command protocol between a user process and disk processes making up a DSS. For example, the disks in the DSS need to store both the parameters of the DSS itself, and parameters of the files stored on it for subsequent read operations, and most likely the stripe number and block type (*i.e.*, a data or parity block). Document your design decisions.

#### 2.2.2 Reading a File from a DSS, read

A response to a successful read, includes both the size of the file, and all the parameters of the DSS on which the file-name is stored. As in §2.2.1, let f be the file size in bytes and b the block size, *i.e.*, striping-unit, in bytes. Then, a total of  $\lceil \frac{f}{(n-1)\times b} \rceil$  stripes must be read from the DSS and verified correct.

For each stripe  $0 \le i < \lceil \frac{f}{(n-1) \times b} \rceil$ :

- 1. Spawn n threads, to read the blocks of stripe i of the file from the DSS in parallel.
- 2. Introduce a **single bit error** into any block of the stripe with probability  $p \ge 0$ . That is, for a given p, generate a random integer k between 0 and 100. If k < p introduce the bit error (flip a single bit at random in the block). Experiment with the range  $0 \le p \le 100\%$ .
- 3. Verify the parity, i.e., recompute the parity block and compare it to the parity block returned from the read.
  - (a) If the parity is verified, *i.e.*, the parity blocks are equal, write the data blocks of the stripe to an output file, concatenating successive stripes.
  - (b) Otherwise, reread the stripe from the DSS until the parity is verified. (While there is no need to introduce an error in rereading the stripe, it is possible a spurious error occurs in the read operation regardless.)
- 4. Terminate the threads after a stripe is read successfully.

After successfully reading all stripes, the output file produced by the read command should equal the file copied to the DSS with the copy command. Verify this fact by calling the diff function on the two files (see the system function from C++, or the subprocess module in python) from the user process.

Finally, send a read-complete message to the manager so that it can update the read state of the DSS, waiting for a response of SUCCESS.

You are to define the details of the read command protocol between a user process and disk processes making up a DSS. This includes how you obtain the value of p. It can be done on a per-stripe basis, or a per-file basis added to the read command, as you like. Document your design decisions.

#### 2.2.3 Simulating a Disk Failure in the DSS, disk-failure

In response to the first phase of a disk-failure, a user process obtains the parameters of the named DSS.

At random, select one of the drives  $0 \le i < n$  making up DSS dss-name to fail. Send a fail message to c-port<sub>i</sub> of the disk-name<sub>i</sub> running on the host with IPv4-addr<sub>i</sub>. On receipt of such a fail message, the disk process implements a disk failure by deleting all file contents of disk-name<sub>i</sub>, i.e., the data structure storing the blocks (data and parity) associated with the *i*th disk in the disk array dss-name. Once the disk process has completed the disk failure, it returns a fail-complete message to the user.

On receipt of the fail-complete message, the user must now recover the failed disk. This is accomplished as follows:

For each drive in the DSS except failed disk, i.e.,  $D = \{0, 1, \dots, n\} \setminus \{i\}, |D| = n - 1$ :

- 1. For each file f stored on the DSS:
  - (a) For each stripe j of the file:
    - i. Read a block of stripe j from each disk in D in parallel; it may be a data block or a parity block.
    - ii. Compute the XOR of the n-1 blocks just read, and store the resulting block as stripe j on drive i for f. You need to determine if the computed block is a data block or a parity block.

Once the failed drive is reconstructed, the user process then sends a recovery-complete to the manager, waiting for a response of SUCCESS.

You are to define the details of the disk-failure command protocol between a user process, the disk selected to fail, and the process of recovering its contents. Document your design decisions.

## 3 Implementation Suggestions

## 3.1 Threading

Different threads should handle the socket associated with the m-port and c-port of each process. Threading is also required to implement the copy, read, and disk-failure commands. You may make use of additional threading beyond this; if you do, be sure to document it as a design decision.

Be aware that by default the function recvfrom() in C++ is blocking. You can change it to be non-blocking by setting the flags argument of recvfrom() or by using the function fcntl().

## 3.2 Defining Message Exchanges and Message Format

Sections §2.1 and §2.2 have described the order of some message exchanges, as well as the actions taken on the transmission and/or receipt of a message. As part of this project, you need to complete the design details for many commands, including the design of data structures to store stripes of a file on a DSS.

This also includes defining the message format. This could be achieved by defining a structure with the fields required by the command. Or a message can be a string with concatenated fields separated by a delimiter. Either choice is fine so long as you are able to extract the fields of a message and interpret them.

You may want to define additional return codes to further differentiate SUCCESS and FAILURE states.

### 3.3 Port Numbers

Port numbers are divided into three ranges [4]:

- Well-known ports: 0 through 1023. These port numbers are controlled and assigned by the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA).
- Registered ports: 1024 through 49151. The upper limit of 49151 for these ports is new; RFC 1700 lists the upper range as 65535. These port numbers are not controlled by the IANA.
- Dynamic or private ports: 49152 through 65535. The IANA dictates nothing about these ports. These are the ephemeral ports.

Each group  $1 \le G \le 200$  in CSE 434 is assigned a set of 500 unique port numbers to use in the following range. If  $G \mod 2 = 0$ , *i.e.*, your group number is even, then use the range:  $\left[\left(\frac{G}{2} \times 1000\right) + 1000, \left(\frac{G}{2} \times 1000\right) + 1499\right]$ . If  $G \mod 2 = 1$ , *i.e.*, your group number is odd, then use the range:  $\left[\left(\left\lceil\frac{G}{2}\right\rceil \times 1000\right) + 500, \left(\left\lceil\frac{G}{2}\right\rceil \times 1000\right) + 999\right]$ . That is, group 1 has range [1500, 1999], group 2 has range [2000, 2499], group 3 has range [2500, 2999], and so on.

**Do not use port numbers outside your assigned range**, as otherwise you may send messages to another group's processes by accident and it is unlikely it will be able to interpret it correctly, causing spurious crashes.

## 4 Submission Requirements for the Milestone and Full Project Deadlines

Submit electronically before 11:59pm on the deadline date a zip file named GroupX.zip where X is your group number. You must use the zip archiving program.

- 1. The milestone is due on Sunday, 09/28/2025. See §4.1 for requirements.
- 2. The full project is due on Sunday, 10/18/2025. See §4.2 for requirements.

It is your responsibility to submit your project well before the time deadline!!! Late projects are not accepted. Do not expect the clock on your machine to be synchronized with the one on Canvas!

An unlimited number of submissions are allowed. Submit early, submit often! The last submission will be graded.

### 4.1 Submission Requirements for the Milestone

For the milestone deadline, you are to implement the following commands to the manager: register-user, register-disk, configure-dss, deregister-user, and deregister-disk.

For the milestone, your zip file must contain:

- 1. **Design document in PDF format (50%).** Describe the design of your DSS application program.
  - (a) Include a description of your message format for each command implemented for the milestone.
  - (b) Include a time-space diagram for each command implemented to illustrate the order of messages exchanged between communicating entities, as well as the actions taken on the transmission and/or receipt of a message or other event, *i.e.*, the protocol followed to implement the command. You **must** use a software tool, *e.g.*, PowerPoint, to draw these diagrams; photos of hand drawn diagrams are not accepted.
  - (c) Describe your choice of data structures used, and design decisions made. For example, what state information are you storing at the manager?
  - (d) Include the following screenshots taken in your GitHub repository for this socket project:
    - i. Take screenshot(s) of the output of the command run in the terminal of the branch you are working on: git log --pretty=format: "%h %an, %ad (Commit) %cd (Author)"
    - ii. Take a screenshot of the entire commit history of your GitHub repository.
    - iii. Take a screenshot of the output of the command: git reflog

- iv. Take a screenshot of the output of the command: git fsck
- (e) Provide a *a link to your video demo* and ensure that the link is accessible to our graders. In addition, give a list of timestamps in your video at which each step 3(a)-3(f) is demonstrated.
- 2. Code and documentation (25%). Submit your well-documented source code implementing the milestone of your DSS application program.
- 3. **Video demo (25%).** Upload a video of length at most 7 minutes to YouTube with no splicing or edits, with audio accompaniment. This video must be uploaded and timestamped *before* the milestone submission deadline.

The video demo of your DSS application for the milestone must include:

- (a) Compile your manager, user and disk programs (if applicable).
- (b) Your milestone demo needs to use at least two distinct end-hosts.
- (c) Start your manager program. Then start three disk processes and two user processes that each register with the manager. Be sure to assign port numbers from your port number space (see §3.3).
- (d) Have one user issue a configure-dss command to build a DSS of size n=3 with other parameters of your choice.
- (e) Have the other user issue a configure-dss command; this should fail due to insufficient disks.
- (f) Now deregister each user and disk, and terminate your manager.

For the end-hosts in your demo, you can use the PCs on the racks in BYENG 217 on a single-segment Ethernet as in Lab 1, VMs on a LAN you configure in CloudLab, or any other end-hosts available to you.

Your video will require at least six (6) terminal windows: one for the manager, and one for each disk and user. Ensure that the font size in each window is large enough to read easily!

Be sure that you produce a well-labelled trace of the messages transmitted to and received from processes so that it is easy to follow what is happening in your DSS application program.

## 4.2 Submission Requirements for the Full Project

For the full project deadline, you are to implement the all commands to the manager listed in §2.1. This also involves implementation of all commands issued between peers that are associated with these commands as described in §2.2.

For the full project submission, your zip file must contain:

- 1. **Design document in PDF format** (30%). Extend the design document for the milestone of your DSS application to include details for the remaining commands implemented for the full project, as well as any new or updated design decisions, including your use of threads. Provide all items listed in step 1 of §4.1, except that the list of timestamps for the video must be for the steps 3(a)-3(h) listed below.
- 2. Code and documentation (20%). Submit well-documented source code implementing your DSS application program. In particular, comment your use of threading!
- 3. **Video demo (50%).** Upload a video of target length at most 15 minutes to YouTube with no splicing or edits, with audio accompaniment. This video must be uploaded and timestamped *before* the full project deadline.

The video demo of your DSS application for the full project must include:

- (a) Compile your manager and peer programs (if applicable).
- (b) Your full project demo must use at least four distinct end-hosts.
- (c) Start your manager program. Then start six disk processes and two user processes that each register with the manager.
- (d) Select one user and have it issue the following commands:
  - i. configure-dss a DSS of size n = 3 with other parameters of your choice.

- ii. copy three text files onto the DSS: day-of-affirmation.txt, in-flanders.txt, and tale-of-two-cities.txt.
- iii. List the files, 1s.
- iv. read the file day-of-affirmation.txt from the DSS.
- (e) Have the other user issue the following commands:
  - i. configure-dss a second DSS of size n = 3 with other parameters of your choice.
  - ii. copy the text file wizard-of-oz.txt onto the second DSS.
  - iii. List the files, 1s.
  - iv. Try to read in-flanders.txt from the first DSS; this should fail due to ownership.
- (f) Select one user to cause a disk-failure on a DSS.
- (g) Then have an owner read a file from the DSS that suffered the disk failure.
- (h) Finally, decommission—dss each DSS, and then deregister each user and disk, to gracefully terminate of your application. Of course, the manager process needs to be terminated explicitly.

As for the milestone, use one terminal window for the manager and each disk and user process. Ensure that the font size in each window you open is large enough to read easily!

As before, the output of your commands must be a well-labelled trace the messages transmitted and received between processes so that it is easy to follow what is happening in your DSS application program.

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