Description

This program is ment to make a mailbox server f or clients to pass messages in.

- THIS WILL ONLY RUN ON LINUX -

Algorithms and libraries used:

As for Algorithms, nothing significant was used

List of Libraries:

//for c style input and output

#include<stdio.h>

// for c string functions

#include<string.h>

// for stoi

#include<stdlib.h>

// for sockets

#include<sys/socket.h>

// for the inet addr

#include<arpa/inet.h>

// for the write command

#include<unistd.h>

// for threading

#include<pthread.h>

Functions and Program structure

dcip

the main function starts up a server and handle s main memory

The other functions handle what happens when a client connects to a server

dciprm

very simple client that sends a very specific k ill message to server

client.py

python client given from the project descriptio

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    https://d21.sdbor.edu/content/enforced/2015FA/
777862-CSC 456 M001 2016SP 538486/program3.html
    handles simple connections to server
List of functions:
    //global handlers
    bool allocateGlobals(char *arqv[]);
    void deallocateGlobals(char *arqv[]);
    //checks the argc value
    bool checkArgc(int argc);
    //handles the argments passed from the python c
lient
    bool checkArgments(char *currentArg, int sock);
    //handles specific client commands
    void handleRead(int mailBox, int sock);
    void handleWrite(int mailBox, int sock);
    //the thread function - provided by
    http://www.binarytides.com/server-client-exampl
e-c-sockets-linux/
    void *connection handler(void *);
Compiling the program:
    There is a make file provide. Using the make co
mmand will compile the
program.
Also the command: "g++ -pthread -o dipc DIPC.cpp -
std=c++11" will as well for the main program
as well as: "g++ -pthread -o dipcrm dipcrm.c" for t
he removal program
and python client.py works for running the client
Testing and Verification:
    The code was tested by manually running the pro
gram. Using the python
    client.
    Bug - The client works spotty at best
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Bug - It was increadibly difficult to test this program

Bug - The client overall, barely works - what it recieves often lags a command behind

Bug - Does not check for deadlocks

Submitted Files:

prog3.pdf, DICP.cpp, Makefile, dipcrm.c, client
.py

prog3.pdf = This descriptive document of this proje
ct

DICP.cpp = The code for this project
Makefile = compiling tool for code

dipcrm.c = removal client code

client.py = basic python client that can kindof tal
k to the server

-Clerification

due to this from the program description:
"First line will have a "r" for read, "w" for write, or "q" for quit and the mailbox number.
A line is text and then newline - correct?"

because of this the program expects an enter after a command such as r 1 or w 4.

-FAILURES-

Does not check for deadlocks - only deadlock being if a writer never finishes writing.
Also does not use Deamon functionality

- side note: I'm not proud of this program... I ha ted every minute of it.