

Documentation for Advanced Firewall Implementation project

ADVANCED FIREWALL PROJECT

This is a web application designed to manage incoming and outgoing network traffic using predefined rules.

FUNCTIONALITY:

1. Login Authentication:

Provides secure access to the application.

2. Whitelists and Blacklists Management:

Allows users to manage lists of allowed and blocked entities.

3. Rule Management:

Facilitates adding, moving, and removing rules between whitelists and blacklists.

4. Packet Validation:

Checks the validity of network packets based on configured rules.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Design Patterns

- **Strategy, Factory, and Singleton Patterns:**

Implemented for efficient rule handling and scalability.

2. Network Traffic Filtering

- **IP Addresses, Ports, and Protocols:**

Implements strategies for filtering traffic based on these parameters.

3. User Interface

- **Rule Management Interface:**

Provides a user-friendly web interface for setting rules and monitoring network traffic.

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:

- Python 3.12 or later: Core programming language.

- Flask: Web framework for building the application.

INSTALLATION:

Step 1: First, we must install the dependencies:

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Step 2: we must run the application:

```
python app.py
```

Step 3: Usage, we must access this on

```
http://127.0.0.1:5000
```

Logging In:

1. Use the default admin credentials:

- **Username:** admin
- **Password:** password

Navigating the Application:

2. Use the home page to manage rules, display lists, and check packets.

Project Structure:

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```
advanced_firewall/
├── firewall/
│   ├── __init__.py
│   ├── base_strategy.py
│   ├── ip_filter.py
│   ├── port_filter.py
│   ├── protocol_filter.py
│   └── strategy_factory.py
├── config/
│   ├── __init__.py
│   └── settings.py
├── main.py
└── README.md
```

- **Firewall/:** Contains core application files.
 - `__init__.py`: Initialization file.
 - `strategy_factory.py`: Implements strategy and factory patterns.
 - `ip_filter.py`: Handles IP filtering logic.
 - `settings.py`: Configuration settings.
- **templates/:** HTML templates for the web interface.
 - `index.html`: Main page template.
 - `home.html`, `set_rules.html`, `display_lists.html`, `check_packet.html`: Specific page templates.
- **static/:** Static files like CSS for styling.
 - `style.css`: CSS stylesheets.
- **app.py**: Entry point for running the Flask application.
- **requirements.txt**: Lists all dependencies required for the project.

STEPS TO COMPLETE PROJECT:

Step 1: Set Up Configuration Settings (Singleton Pattern)

- **Purpose:** Ensure only one instance of the settings exists.
- **File:** `config/settings.py`

Step 2: Define the Base Strategy (Strategy Pattern)

- **Purpose:** Create an abstract base class for filtering network traffic.
- **File:** `firewall/base_strategy.py`

Step 3: Implement IP Filter Strategy

- **Purpose:** Filter network traffic based on IP addresses.
- **File:** `firewall/ip_filter.py`

Step 4: Implement Port Filter Strategy

- **Purpose:** Filter network traffic based on ports.
- **File:** `firewall/port_filter.py`

Step 5: Implement Protocol Filter Strategy

- **Purpose:** Filter network traffic based on protocols.
- **File:** `firewall/protocol_filter.py`

Step 6: Create the Strategy Factory (Factory Pattern)

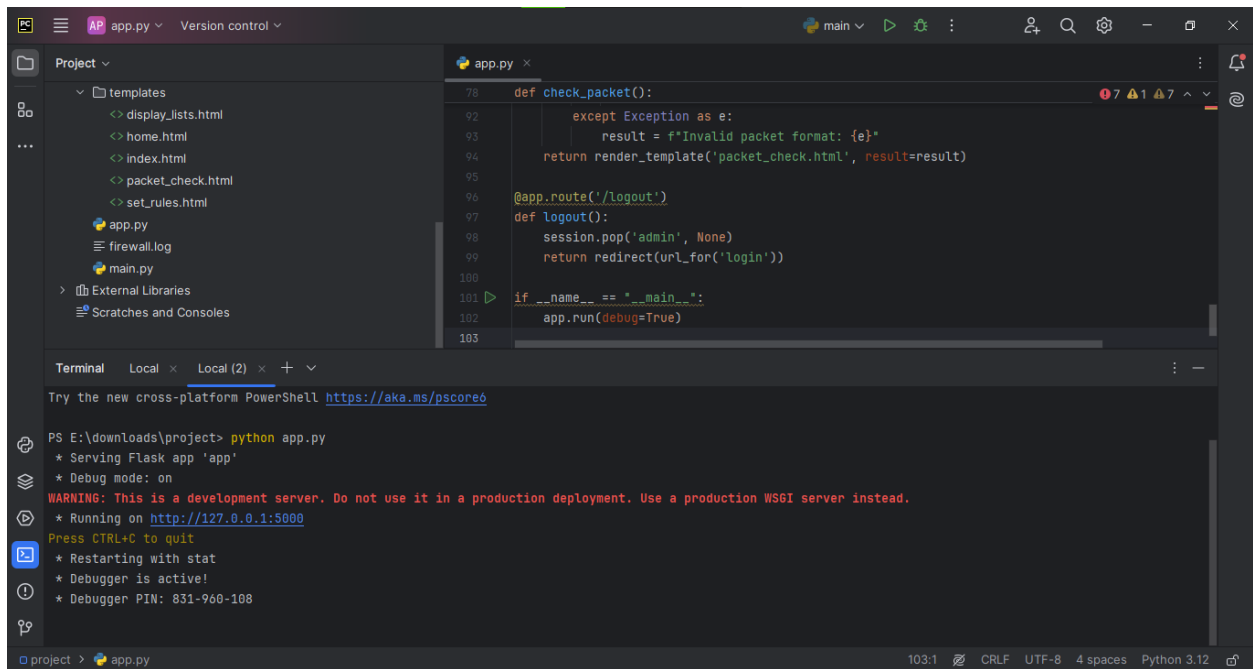
- **Purpose:** Create instances of different firewall strategies.
- **File:** `firewall/strategy_factory.py`

Step 7: Combine Everything in the Main File

- **Purpose:** Use the strategies for filtering network traffic.
- **File:** `main.py`

WORKING:

1. Firstly run the `app.py` file

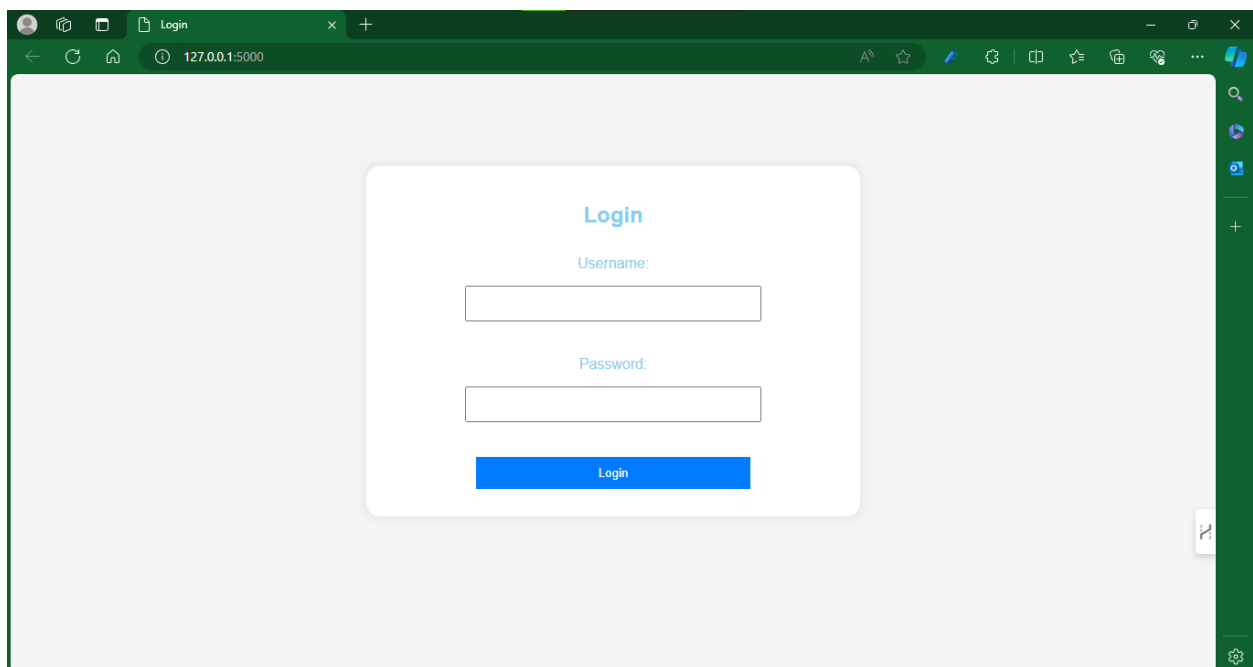


The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor with a project named 'app.py'. The file explorer on the left shows a directory structure with templates, app.py, firewall.log, and main.py. The main editor displays the `app.py` file with the following code:

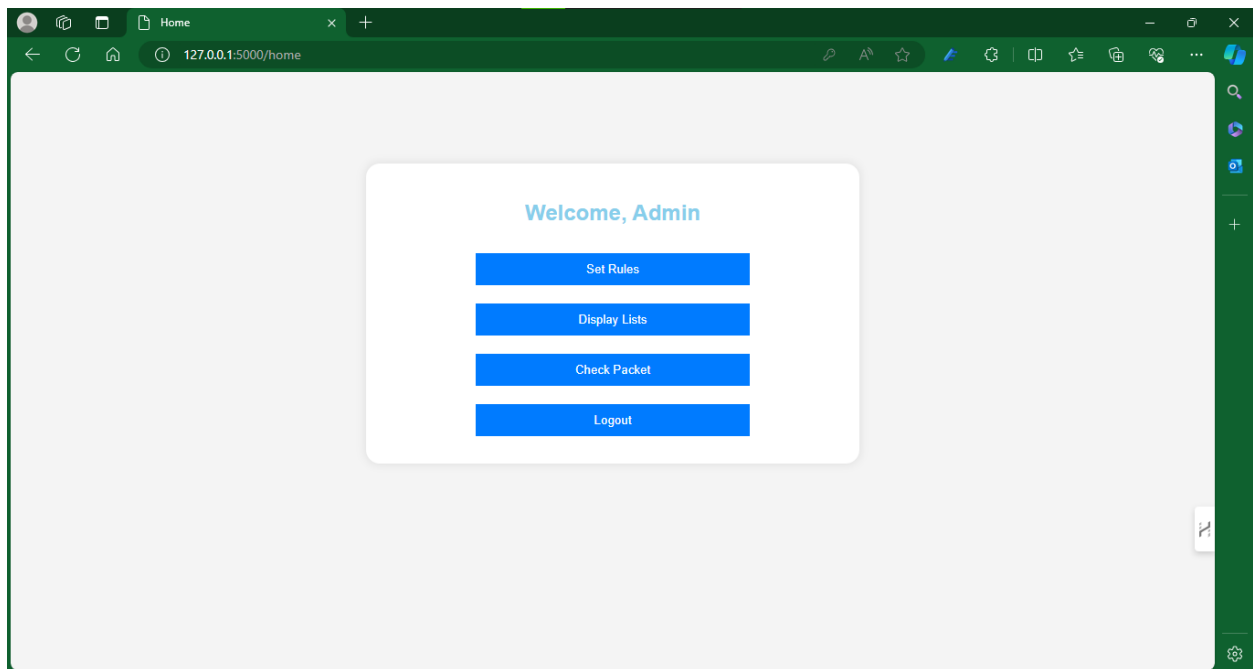
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78 def check_packet():
79     except Exception as e:
80         result = f'Invalid packet format: {e}'
81     return render_template('packet_check.html', result=result)
82
83 @app.route('/logout')
84 def logout():
85     session.pop('admin', None)
86     return redirect(url_for('login'))
87
88 if __name__ == '__main__':
89     app.run(debug=True)
```

The terminal at the bottom shows the command `python app.py` being executed. The output indicates that the Flask app is running on `http://127.0.0.1:5000` in debug mode. A warning message states: "WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment. Use a production WSGI server instead." The terminal also shows that the debugger is active and the PIN is 831-960-108.

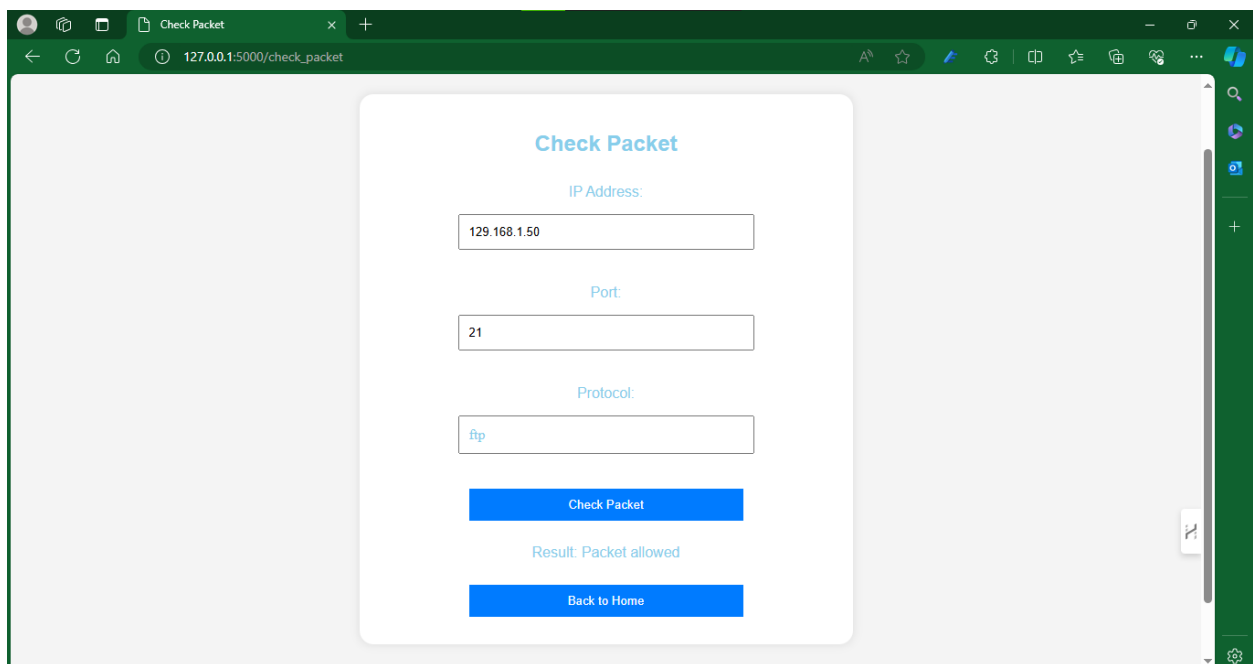
Step 2 click on Running on <http://127.0.0.1:5000>



Step 3 Login: username – admin password- password (you can do following things mentioned there)



Step 4: after setting rules and IP's we will check for the packets:



Whitelisted packets will be allowed but blacklisted Ip's will not be allowed.