Computer Networks Package

Simulation of Telnet Protocol

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Abstract:

In this project, we tried simulating the Telnet protocol using sockets to establish a connection-oriented communication between the telnet server and the telnet client. This project was implemented in Python.

Modules used: Socket, MySQL connector

Operating system: Windows

Description:

TELNET is an abbreviation Telecommunication Network and is simply a connection protocol that allows a user to connect to a remote server that is listening for commands. Once the connection is established, the user can then issue commands to the server computer and examine the responses that are sent back. In general, TELNET uses 23 port for its command operations.

Uses of TELNET:-

Telnet is a type of client-server protocol that can be used to open a command line on a remote computer, typically a server. Users can utilize this tool to ping a port and find out whether it is open.

Telnet can be used for a variety of activities on a server, including editing files, running various programs, and checking email. Some servers enable remote connections using Telnet to access public data to play simple games or look up weather reports. Many of these features exist for nostalgic fun or because they still have compatibility with older systems that need access to specific data. Users are also able to connect to any software that utilizes text-based, unencrypted protocols via Telnet, from web servers to ports. Users can open a command prompt on the remote machine, type the word telnet and the remote machine's name or IP address, and the telnet connection will ping the port to see if it is open or not.

OUTPUT:

In this section, we will be seeing the different commands implemented by us as a part of this project along with their output on both the client and server-side.

Server

Client

1. **help** command:- this command lets the client know the available commands that can be executed in the telnet server.

2. **send** command:- this command sends a message to the server.

Server

Client

3. **encrypt** command:- this command sends an encrypted message to the server which is decrypted at the server-side.

Server

Command : encrypt

Encrypted Message from client : Pmttw12346^amzDmz_<[+
Decrypted Message from client : Hello12346 Server*%\$#</pre>

history table updated

Client

4. **exec** command:- executes the command specified by the client on the server-side and returns the output to the client.

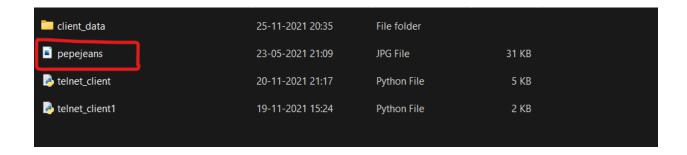
Server

5. **upload** command:- this command uploads a file provided by the client present in client-side into the server.

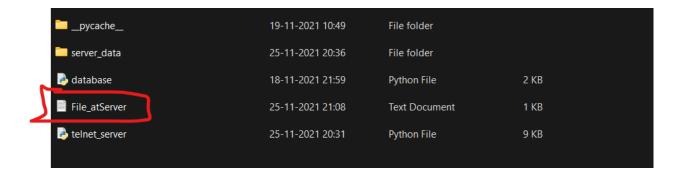
<u>Server</u>

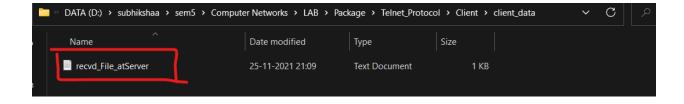


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telnet> upload pepejeans.jpg
Filename and filesize received
Data received
File is uploaded at Server successfully!!
```



download command: this command helps the client to download a file present at the server.





7. **GET/HEAD** command:- In this command, the server tries to fetch details from the host specified by client (HTTP GET/HEAD).

Link to HTTP website:- http://www.barc.gov.in/

<u>Client</u>

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Telnet> GET www.barc.gov.in
****************
Message from server :-
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 25 Nov 2021 15:24:27 GMT
Server: Apache
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
Last-Modified: Thu, 25 Nov 2021 11:36:19 GMT
ETag: "266096d-bc93-5d19b62176694"
Accept-Ranges: bytes
Content-Length: 48275
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
X-XSS-Protection: 1;mode=block
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
<meta charset="utf-8">
<meta content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0" name="viewport">
<meta name="MobileOptimized" content="width" />
<meta name="HandheldFriendly" content="true" />
<!--<meta http-equiv="Pragma" content="no-cache"/>-->
<meta name="description" content="A premier multi-disciplinary Nuclear Research Centre of India having</pre>
excellent infrastructure for advanced Research and Development with expertise covering the entire
spectrum of Nuclear Science and Engineering and related areas"/>
<meta name="robot" content="index,follow"/>
<meta name="refresh" content="30"/>
<meta name="copyright" content="Copyright @ Bhabha Atomic Research Centre . All Rights Reserved."/>
<meta name="revisit-after" content="10"/>
```

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Telnet> HEAD www.barc.gov.in

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Message from server :-
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 25 Nov 2021 15:26:50 GMT
Server: Apache
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
Last-Modified: Thu, 25 Nov 2021 11:36:19 GMT
ETag: "266096d-bc93-5d19b62176694"
Accept-Ranges: bytes
Content-Length: 48275
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
X-XSS-Protection: 1;mode=block
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
```

8. **scan** command:- this command scans the host from start port to end port at the server-side specified by the client and returns the number of open ports.

Server

Client

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command structure: scan <host> <start port> <end port>
Telnet> scan www.google.com 1 5
****************************
Message from server :-
No open ports.....
Time taken: 106.09723114967346
```

 history command:- this command keeps track of all the previously executed telnet commands with the help of a MySQL database. When the client requests this command server sends the history table.

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Port: 54535 Command: send Time: 15:28:51 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 59048 Command: encrypt Time: 15:35:21 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 59048 Command: encrypt Time: 15:35:42 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 60106 Command: encrypt Time: 16:00:35 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 60106 Command: exec Time: 16:01:04 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 60106 Command: exec Time: 16:01:17 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 63882 Command: help Time: 16:04:53 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 63882 Command: history Time: 16:07:39 Date: 19/11/2021
Port: 56421 Command: help Time: 20:02:11 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56421 Command: upload Time: 20:03:18  Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56421 Command: download Time: 20:04:36 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56421 Command: send Time: 20:04:56 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56421 Command: encrypt Time: 20:05:11 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56421 Command: exec Time: 20:05:47 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56453 Command: GET Time: 20:06:58 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56453 Command: scan Time: 20:08:27 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 56534 Command: history Time: 20:09:13 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 57338 Command: help Time: 21:11:06 Date: 20/11/2021
Port: 57338 Command: history Time: 21:11:11
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10. **quit** command:- this command quits the connection between telnet client and server.

<u>Server</u>

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Command : quit

Closing connection.....
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Client

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telnet> quit
In [2]:
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CODE:
database.py
import mysql.connector
db_conn=mysql.connector.connect(host="localhost",user="root",password="Subu@2001",database="CN_DB")
db_cursor=db_conn.cursor()
db_cursor.execute("CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS CN_DB")
sql_query="CREATE TABLE history(port INT NOT NULL,command VARCHAR(50),cmd_time CHAR(10),cmd_date CHAR(10))"
#Uncomment below line if you have to create table for first time
#db_cursor.execute(sql_query)
print("Connected to mysql database")
def insert_record(cursor, port, command, cmd_time, cmd_date):

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sql = "INSERT INTO history (port, command, cmd_time, cmd_date) VALUES
(%s, %s, %s, %s)"
  val = (port, command, cmd_time, cmd_date)
  cursor.execute(sql, val)
  db conn.commit()
  print("history table updated")
def print_history_table(cursor):
  cursor.execute("SELECT * FROM history")
  res = cursor.fetchall()
  s = ""
  for row in res:
    s += "Port: " + str(row[0]) + "\t" + "Command: " + str(row[1]) + "\t" + "Time: "
+ str(row[2]) + "\t" + "Date: " \
      + str(row[3]) + "\n"
  return s
telnet_server.py
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import threading
import os
import subprocess
import socket
from database import *
from datetime import datetime, date
import time
import string
HOST = socket.gethostbyname(socket.gethostname())
PORT = 23
address = (HOST, PORT)
buffer_size = 4000
all_letters= string.ascii_letters
'_', '=', ']', '!', '>', ';', '?', '#', '$', ')', '/']
dict2 = {}
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def client_thread(conn,addr):
  print(f"**Connected to {addr}**")
  conn.send("Welcome from Server".encode('utf-8'))
  while True:
    data = conn.recv(buffer_size).decode()
    data = data.split()
    command = data[0]
    print(f"Command : {command}")
    conn_accepted=False
    if command=="exec":
      exec_msg = " ".join(data[i] for i in range(1,len(data)))
      result = subprocess.run(exec_msg, stdout=subprocess.PIPE)
      output = result.stdout.decode()
      output = "Command executed" + output
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conn.send(output.encode('utf-8'))
       print("Command executed and sent output to client successfully")
       conn accepted=True
    elif command=="send":
       client msg="Message recieved"
       print("Message from client : ",*data[1:])
       conn.send(client_msg.encode())
       conn accepted = True
    elif command=="help":
       help_str = "Available commands:-\nupload <filename> : Upload the
file\ndownload <filename>: download the file\nexec <command>:execute
command and send output\n" \
              "send <text> : send plain text message\nencrypt <text> : send
encrypted text message" \
              "\nGET/HEAD <host>: send request to web server\nscan <host>
<start port> <end port>:scan ports start port to end port"\
              "\nhistory: show the history\n"
       conn.send(help_str.encode('utf-8'))
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elif command=="history":
  histories = print history table(db cursor)
  conn.send(("History table:-\n" + histories).encode('utf-8'))
  conn accepted = True
elif command == "quit":
  print("Closing connection.....")
  conn.send(b"SERVER DISCONNECTED.....")
  conn accepted = True
  break
elif command=="encrypt":
  key=int(data[1])
  enc_txt=" ".join(data[i] for i in range(2,len(data)))
  print("Encrypted Message from client : ",enc_txt)
  for i in range(len(all_letters)):
```

conn_accepted = True

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dict2[all_letters[i]] = all_letters[(i-key)%(len(all_letters))]
  for i in range(len(spl_char)):
     dict2[spl_char[i]] = spl_char[(i-key)%len(spl_char)]
  dec_txt=""
  for char in enc_txt:
     if char in all_letters:
       temp = dict2[char]
     elif char in spl_char:
       temp = dict2[char]
     else:
       temp = char
     dec_txt+=temp
  client_msg="Message recieved"
  print("Decrypted Message from client : ",dec_txt)
  conn.send(client_msg.encode())
  conn accepted=True
elif command == "upload":
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path = data[1]
filename, filesize = path.split(":")
filesize = int(filesize)
conn.send("Filename and filesize received".encode())
size tmp = 0
name = f"recvd_{filename}"
filepath = os.path.join("server_data", name)
with open(filepath, "wb") as f:
  while True:
     file_data = conn.recv(buffer_size)
     size_tmp += len(file_data)
     print(size_tmp, " bytes have been received so far")
     if not file_data:
       break
     if file_data == b'DATA OVER':
       break
     f.write(file_data)
     conn.send("Data received".encode('utf-8'))
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if size_tmp >= filesize:
          break
  conn.send("File is uploaded at Server successfully!!".encode())
  print("File uploaded at Server successfully!!")
  print("File saved at locaton : ",filepath)
  conn accepted = True
elif command=="download":
  filename=data[1]
  if os.path.isfile(filename):
     conn.send("File exists".encode("utf-8"))
     f_size=os.path.getsize(filename)
     conn.send(str(f_size).encode("utf-8"))
     with open(filename, "rb") as f:
       while True:
          dt = f.read(buffer size)
          if not dt:
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conn.send("DATA OVER".encode())
            break
         conn.sendall(dt)
         msg1 = conn.recv(buffer_size).decode()
         print(msg1)
  else:
    conn.send("File does not exist".encode("utf-8"))
  conn_accepted=True
elif command=="GET" or command=="HEAD":
  ip = data[1]
  target_port = 80
  http_client = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
  try:
    http_client.connect((ip, target_port))
  except socket.gaierror:
    conn.send(b'Hostname could not be resolved')
    print("Hostname could not be resolved")
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break
       request = command + " / HTTP/1.1\r\nHost:+ " + ip + "\r\nAccept:
text/html\r\n\r\n"
       http_client.sendall(request.encode('utf-8'))
       recvd data=http client.recv(buffer size)
       conn.send(recvd_data)
       http_client.close()
       conn_accepted=True
     elif command=="scan":
       host=data[1]
       startport=int(data[2])
       endport=int(data[3])
       start_time = time.time()
       try:
          target_host = socket.gethostbyname(host)
       except socket.gaierror:
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conn.send(b'Hostname could not be resolved')

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break
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print("Starting scan for host:", target_host)
flag=0
for i in range(startport, endport+1):
  s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
  conn1 = s.connect_ex((target_host, i))
  if conn1 == 0:
     flag=1
     op=f"Port {i}: OPEN"
     conn.send(op.encode("utf-8"))
  s.close()
if flag==0:
  op=f"No open ports.....\nTime taken: {time.time() - start_time}"
else:
 op=f"Time taken: {time.time() - start_time}"
conn.send(op.encode("utf-8"))
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```
conn_accepted=True
    else:
       conn.send(b'Invalid command...')
    if conn_accepted:
       now = datetime.now()
       curr_time = now.strftime("%H:%M:%S")
       today = date.today()
       tdy_date = today.strftime("%d/%m/%Y")
       insert_record(db_cursor, str(addr[1]), command, curr_time, tdy_date)
  conn.close()
def start(address,HOST):
  print("TELNET SERVER STARTING...")
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server_socket = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
 server_socket.bind(address)
 server_socket.listen(4)
 print("LISTENING...")
 while True:
   conn, addr = server_socket.accept()
   thread = threading. Thread(target=client thread, args=(conn, addr))
   thread.start()
start(address,HOST)
telnet_client.py
import os
import socket
import sys
import string
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import random

```
HOST = socket.gethostbyname(socket.gethostname())
PORT = 23
address = (HOST, PORT)
buffer size = 4000
all_letters= string.ascii_letters
spl\_char=['\ ','\sim',\ ':',\ ''''',\ '+',\ '[',\ '\\',\ '@',\ '^',\ '\{',\ '\%',\ '(',\ '-',\ '''',\ '*',\ '|',\ ',',\ '&',\ '<',\ '`',\ '\}',\ '.',\ ''',\ ''',\ ''',\ ''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ ''''',\ '''',\ '''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ '''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ ''''',\ '''''',\ '''''',\ ''''',\ '''''',\ '''''',\ ''''''',\
'_', '=', ']', '!', '>', ';', '?', '#', '$', ')', '/']
dict1 = {}
while True:
             sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
             sock.connect(address)
             while True:
                           server data = sock.recv(buffer size).decode()
                           if server_data:
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```
print("*******************************")
  print("Message from server :-")
  print(server_data)
print("\nType help to see available commands :)\n")
user_inp = input("telnet> ")
data = user_inp.split()
command = data[0]
if command=="exec":
  sock.send(user_inp.encode('utf-8'))
elif command=="send":
  sock.send(user_inp.encode('utf-8'))
elif command=="encrypt":
  key = random.randint(1,15)
  for i in range(len(all_letters)):
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dict1[all_letters[i]] = all_letters[(i+key)%len(all_letters)]
for i in range(len(spl_char)):
  dict1[spl_char[i]] = spl_char[(i+key)%len(spl_char)]
msg=" ".join(data[i] for i in range(1,len(data)))
enc_txt=""
for char in msg:
  if char in all_letters:
     temp = dict1[char]
  elif char in spl_char:
     temp = dict1[char]
  else:
     temp = char
  enc_txt+=temp
final_msg="encrypt "+str(key)+" "+enc_txt
sock.send(final_msg.encode('utf-8'))
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elif command=="help":

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sock.send(user_inp.encode('utf-8'))
elif command=="history":
 sock.send(user_inp.encode('utf-8'))
elif command == "quit":
  sock.send(user_inp.encode('utf-8'))
  sys.exit()
elif command == "upload":
  f_name = data[1]
  if os.path.isfile(f_name):
    f_size = os.path.getsize(f_name)
     user_inp += ":" + str(f_size)
     sock.send(user_inp.encode())
     msg = sock.recv(buffer_size).decode()
     print(msg)
```

```
with open(f_name, "rb") as f:
       while True:
          dt = f.read(buffer_size)
          if not dt:
            #sock.send("DATA OVER".encode())
            break
          sock.sendall(dt)
          msg1 = sock.recv(buffer_size).decode()
          print(msg1)
  else:
     print("File does not exist......\n")
     break
elif command=="download":
  sock.send(user_inp.encode('utf-8'))
  fileexists=sock.recv(buffer_size).decode()
  if fileexists=="File exists":
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name=f"recvd_{data[1]}"
filepath = os.path.join("client_data", name)
filesize=sock.recv(buffer_size).decode()
filesize=int(filesize)
size_tmp=0
with open(filepath, "wb") as f:
  while True:
     file_data = sock.recv(buffer_size)
     size_tmp += len(file_data)
     print(size_tmp, " bytes have been received so far")
     if not file_data:
        break
     if file_data == b'DATA OVER':
        break
     f.write(file_data)
     if size_tmp >= filesize:
        break
```

```
print("File downloaded from Server successfully!!")
        print("File saved at locaton : ",filepath)
        sock.send("File downloaded from server Successfully!!".encode('utf-8'))
      elif fileexists=="File does not exist":
        print("Provided file name does not exist in the server...")
        break
    else:
      print("Invalid command.....")
      break
  sock.close()
telnet_client1.py
import os
import socket
import sys
```

```
HOST = socket.gethostbyname(socket.gethostname())
PORT = 23
address = (HOST, PORT)
buffer size = 4000
while True:
  sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
  sock.connect(address)
  while True:
    server_data = sock.recv(buffer_size).decode()
    if server_data:
      print("Message from server :-")
      print(server_data)
    print("\n1-Send Request to http web server(GET/HEAD)\n2-scan ip for open
ports\n3-quit")
```

```
c = input(">")
if c == '1':
  print("command structure: <Request type> <host>")
  cmd = input("Telnet> ")
  sock.send(cmd.encode('utf-8'))
elif c == '2':
  print("command structure: scan <host> <start port> <end port>")
  cmd = input("Telnet> ")
  sock.send(cmd.encode('utf-8'))
elif c=='3':
  sock.send(b'quit')
  sys.exit()
else:
  print("Invalid option....")
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break	
sock.close()	
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THANK YOU