UDP Client

Goal

Develop a Python client that connects to a UDP echo server. Your client will take a message from the user as input, send this message to the server, and display the server's echoed response.



Background

UDP (User Datagram Protocol) is a lightweight, connectionless protocol used for sending messages (datagrams) over a network. Unlike TCP, UDP does not establish a persistent connection between the client and server. In this exercise, you'll create a UDP client that sends a user-provided message to an echo server and receives the echoed response.

Prerequisites

Python version 3.11.9 and above

Instructions

Task 1 Running the Echo Server

- 1. Download the UDP echo server script udp_echo_server.pyc.
- 2. To start the Echo Server From the command line, execute:

python udp_echo_server.pyc

Hint: if you are having issues running the pyc file due to python version difference, you can try running the attached udp_echo_server.exe file instead.

Task 2 UDP Client Python Script

- 3. Write a UDP client script that:
 - Prompts the user to enter a message using input().
 - Creates a UDP socket using socket.socket() with socket.SOCK_DGRAM as the socket type.
 - Sends the user's message to the server using socket.sendto(), on port 5000.
 - Receives the server's echoed response using socket.recvfrom() and prints it to the screen.
 - Closes the socket using socket.close().

Make sure to test your udp_echo_client.py against the provided udp echo server.pyc to ensure it functions as expected.

Hint: UDP is a connectionless protocol, so you don't need to establish a persistent connection like in TCP. Simply create a UDP socket, send the message using <code>sendto()</code>, and receive the response using <code>recvfrom()</code>.

Example Usage and Output

Example of how the UDP echo client script should run:

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python udp_echo_client.py
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Example output of the UDP echo client script:

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Enter a message to send to the server: Hello, UDP Echo Server!
Received response from server: Hello, UDP Echo Server!
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To Submit

Submit your code in a python script named "udpechoclient.py"



