

ComNet 2nd Assignment

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ComNet protocol description

The protocol operates over TCP and is constructed with a basic TLV structure.

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	*Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0xAB	0x0014 = L	"This is my message."

*Length is the length of the value

Msg Types:

hello==>

This message is sent by the server right after a user connected to it.

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x00	0xLL	"Welcome! Please log in."

login<==

The user specifies its username and password when trying to log into the system. Both values are sent with a NULL char separating between the two.

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x01	0xLL	"myname""mypass"

We check that the user is inserting the details in the specified format, In case the username and password don't match or the format doesn't match the correct one we print "Authentication failed" and give a chance to insert username and password again.

status==>

The server can accept the login attempt for authorized users, and responds with the following message.

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x02	0xLL	"Hi Bob, you have 8 files stored."

list_of_files <==

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x03	0x00	EMPTY Value

list_of_files_res ==>

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x04	0xLL	File names separated by \n

In case user doesn't have any files, nothing is printed.

delete_file <==

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x05	0xLL	"myfile.txt"

In case of trying to delete a file that doesn't exist we print an error message "No such file exists"

success ==>

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x06	0xLL	"File was written."

failure ==>

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x07	0xLL	"File was not written."

transfer_file <=>

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
<p>This message is sent by the user and by the server when a file has to be transferred, when get_file is called the server transfers the file, when add_file is called the client transfers the file. The value of this message is the name of the file, followed by the file contents.</p>				
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x08	0xLL	"Myfile.txt" [File Content]

In case of add_file for a file that already exists we overwrite the existing file.

In case of get_file for a file that doesn't exist we print an error message "Error getting file"

get_file <==

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x09	0xLL	"myfile.txt"

quit

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
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User disconnects from server by sending this message.

Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x0a	0xLL	“”

sendMsg

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
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User can send simple messages to other users.

Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x0b	0xLL	“Recipient”“DATA”

readMsg

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
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User disconnects from server by sending this message.

Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x0c	0xLL	“”

usersOnlineReqMsg

Message structure	Protocol ID	Type	Length	Value
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User disconnects from server by sending this message.

Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x0d	0xLL	“”

usersOnlineResMsg

Message structure

Protocol ID

Type

Length

Value

User disconnects from server by sending this message.

Size	2	1	2	L
Example value	0x221E	0x0e	0xLL	“Online Users: ...”

Program structure description:

User functionality is implemented in user.c, as well as server functionality is implemented in server.c, a shared aux.h file that contains shared functions which both of the server and the client use and include.

The aux.h file contains the message structure and an enum of the message types, a function that creates the message structure which we defined from a string, a function that sends a message, a function that receives a message and a function that prints a message.

The user.c file has a function which initialises the connection with the server, a parser function gets the needed strings and calls the appropriate function which is implemented in user.c as well. The main function calls the initializer, gets username and password and loops in a while loop to get continuous input until quit is inserted, when data from socket is received (another user send a message) it is displayed immediately .

The server.c is divided into functions according to the functionality that it has to serve the client, it includes a control loop which parses the requests which are received from the client and deals with them.

Running the program:

First the server should run only then the user(s) can run and connect.

