

## How to run the program

A. First open server (which equals to the function of metaserver) on command line with `$python3 EchoServer.py` (the default port number of metaserver is 9000, which should be different of the client port number you enter )

B. Second open 5 client (which equals to the function of server) on command line with `$python3 EchoClient.py -p(port number)` for eg. `$python3 EchoClient.py -p5001` (please remember to add -p(port number)) or else the default port number of client will be 9001

According to the instruction

First type 1 to register to the server

After register, you can type 2 to download file and input filename

C. To gracefully close the connection , press 4

## Assumptions made:

- A. Make 5 folders existing in the system S1 S2 S3 S4 S5 when the user open the server. And for each server's id, he is mandatory to input S1 to S5. In this way, 5 folders corresponds to 5 server's id\_name. When searching a file in a server , you can directly use the server's id\_name as a part of the path, as it is the same name with the folder name
- B. When download file, if you successfully download a file from the p2p network, it will have a hint that you download it, if you failed to download it, it will have nothing to show on this terminal and show "no file found" in other terminals, when user receive nothing, it means he failed to download the file.
- C. The filenames in these folders are all lowercase.
- D. For all the file you want to download, you should input the whole name, for eg  
If you input pwd1, you will receive no response, means you do not find file  
If you input pwd1.txt, you will find this file at S3 and able to download it

## Program data flow

- A. The server sent to metaserver <its host, its real port>
- B. The metaserver give back server <assigned port, referred port>
- C. The client server sent to server server referred port number <its id\_name, its port, its assigned name>
- D. If the server server reject, send back <one of its connect client server port >

- E. One of server in p2p send<"topo", its id\_name > to its metaserver and only "topo" to its client\_server (only meta\_server need to know who sent him this "topo" and prevent to resent him again, for client\_server, it just need to send its client\_server)
- F. Server who receive "topo" do same things as e
- G. One of server in p2p send<"file", its idname, its port> to its meta\_metaserver and only <"file", its port> to its client. This port number is used for establish temporal connection when find file in one server
- H. Server who receive "topo", keep its\_port unchanged and send <"file", its idname, original port> to its meta\_metaserver and only <"file", original port> to its client
- I. Once file find in one server, establish temporal connection with the original port and sent (its id\_name first),after the server on the other side receive this message and send bank ack, the server send file contents to the server on the other side.

## Details concerning the project.

- A. For Metaserver, it is just a class waiting for connection and give back a referred port and assigned port number and close that connection ,waiting for another.
- B. For Server, once it initialize, it has self.sock open and waiting for connection from other server. after it connects to another server, it has a self.meta\_cock open to first connect to its global metaserver ip and metaserver will give him back a referred ip.
- C. After the server finally connect to its referred server, this connection is open and at the same time, it should able to handle requests from its neighboring neighbors
- D. Run-Client is used to handle requests from its server\_server after the server establish connection. By using thread, it could handle multiple request from server.
- E. Run\_server is used to handle requests from its client after a connection establish
- F. As python dose not distinguish uppercase and lowercase, I check if there is uppercase in the user input file name and ask user to re input if any uppercase happen.\