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import socket
import argparse
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```
def start_client(DATE, HOST, PORT, verbose):
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```
    """
```

*This function is the main function in order to setup the client. The function contains many sub-functions used for finding parameters necessary to display the desired output, the body of this function contains the steps to produce a client and calls the necessary sub-functions to send a request to the server.*

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try:
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```
    IP = socket.gethostbyname(HOST)
```

```
except socket.gaierror:
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```
    print(f"Hostname not found: Could not connect to ({HOST}:{PORT})")
```

```
    return -1
```

```
def checkInputs(DATE, IP, PORT):
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```
    """ Checks the integrity of inputs and if they comply to the specifications """
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```
    if not IP:
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```
        print("The Hostname is invalid")
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```
        return False
```

```
    if PORT < 1024 or PORT > 64000:
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```
        print("The Port number is not within specified range (1024:64000)")
```

```
        return False
```

```
    if DATE != 'date' and DATE != 'time':
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```
        print("MSG parameter must be set to `date` or `time`")
```

```
        return False
```

```
    return True
```

```
def decrypt_message(packet):
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    """
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*Takes in a packet in the form of a byte array, and decrypts it to pull the relevant data that will later be displayed to the client.*

*Note: This has a --verbose flag to get the full contents of the packet.*

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```
    info = [packet[i:i+1] for i in range(0, len(packet), 1)]
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```
    if len(info) < 13:
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        print("Packet does not include minimum headersize")
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```
        return -1
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```
    MagicNo = int.from_bytes(info[0] + info[1], 'big')
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```
    if MagicNo != 0x497E:
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```
        print("MagicNo is incorrect: `{}` recieved, must equal `0x497E`.format(MagicNo))
```

```
        return -1
```

```
    PacketType = int.from_bytes(info[2] + info[3], 'big')
```

```
    if PacketType != 0x0002:
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```
        print("PacketType is incorrect: `{}` received, must equal `0x0002`.format(PacketType))
```

```
    LanguageCode = int.from_bytes(info[4] + info[5], 'big')
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```
    if LanguageCode < 0x0001 or LanguageCode > 0x0003:
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```
        print("LanguageCode is incorrect: `{}` received, must be within range (1, 3).format(LanguageCode))
```

```
        return -1
```

```
    Year = int.from_bytes(info[6] + info[7], 'big')
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```
    if Year > 2100:
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```
        print("Year is incorrect: `{}` received, must be below 2100".format(Year))
```

```
        return -1
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```
    Month = int.from_bytes(info[8], 'big')
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```
    if Month < 1 or Month > 12:
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```
        print("Month is incorrect: `{}` received, must be between 1 and 12".format(Month))
```

```
        return -1
```

```
    Day = int.from_bytes(info[9], 'big')
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```
    if Day < 1 or Day > 31:
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```
        print("Day is incorrect: `{}` received, must be between 1 and 31".format(Day))
```

```
        return -1
```

```
    Hour = int.from_bytes(info[10], 'big')
```

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if Hour < 0 or Hour > 23:
    print("Hour is incorrect: `{}` received, must be within range (0, 23)".format(Hour))
    return -1
Minute = int.from_bytes(info[11], 'big')
if Minute < 0 or Minute > 59:
    print("Minute is incorrect: `{}` received, must be within range (0, 59)".format(Minute))
    return -1
Length = int.from_bytes(info[12], 'big')
text = bytearray()
for i in range(13, len(info)):
    text += info[i]
text = text.decode('utf-8')

if len(info) != 13 + Length:
    print("Length of packet does not match packet received")
    return -1

if verbose:
    print("-----")
    print(f"MagicNo: {hex(MagicNo)}")
    print(f"PacketType: {hex(PacketType)}")
    print(f"LanguageCode: {hex(LanguageCode)}")
    print(f"Year: {Year}")
    print(f"Month: {Month}")
    print(f"Day: {Day}")
    print(f"Hour {Hour}")
    print(f"Minute: {Minute}")
    print(f"Length: {Length}")
    print(f"Text: {text}")
    print("-----")
    print("")

return text

def format_request(Date):
    """
    Formats the packet into a byte array to send to the server.
    """
    MagicNo = 0x497E
    PacketType = 0x0001
    if Date == 'date':
        RequestType = 0x0001
    elif Date == 'time':
        RequestType = 0x0002
    else:
        return -1
    bytelist = [MagicNo.to_bytes(2, 'big'), PacketType.to_bytes(2, 'big'), RequestType.to_bytes(2, 'big')]

    arrayBytes = bytearray()

    for x in bytelist:
        arrayBytes += x

    return arrayBytes

if checkInputs(DATE, IP, PORT):
    """ Checks if the input date/time is valid """
    request_packet = format_request(DATE)
    if request_packet == -1:
        print("The `date` parameter must be set to either `date` or `time`")
        return -1
    else:
        s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_DGRAM)
        s.settimeout(1)
        s.sendto(request_packet, (IP, PORT))

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```
complete_message = bytearray()
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```
while True:
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    try:
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```
        msg, source = s.recvfrom(1024)
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        if len(msg) <= 0:
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```
            break
```

```
        complete_message += msg
```

```
    except socket.timeout:
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```
        print(f"Client timeout: Could not connect to ({HOST}:{PORT})")
```

```
        break
```

```
    except socket.error:
```

```
        print(f"Client timeout: Could not connect to ({HOST}:{PORT})")
```

```
        break
```

```
result = decrypt_message(complete_message)
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```
if result != -1:
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```
    print(result)
```

```
    break
```

```
s.close()
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```
return result
```

```
def Main():
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```
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
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```
    parser.add_argument("MSG", help="The message to receive from server must be `date` or `time`, type=str)
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```
    parser.add_argument("HOST", help="The Hostname to connect to", type=str)
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```
    parser.add_argument("PORT", help="The Port number to connect to", type=int)
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```
    parser.add_argument("-v", "--verbose", action="store_true", help="verbose output: full output of packet recieved")
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```
    args = parser.parse_args()
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    if args.verbose:
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```
        start_client(args.MSG, args.HOST, args.PORT, verbose=True)
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```
    else:
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```
        start_client(args.MSG, args.HOST, args.PORT, verbose=False)
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
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```
    Main()
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