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QUESTION 1

“Create an ICMP ping scanner and test the network to find the IP address of the given machine.”

Used Technologies

1. Python Programming Language: This IP Address Scanning Tool was developed using the Python programming language.
2. Pycharm Community Edition 2022.3.3: IDE for Python
3. Threading Module: The threading module is used to perform parallel operations using multiple threads.
4. ping3 Library: The ping3 library is used to send ICMP ping requests and receive responses.

IP Address Scan Method:

- This IP Address Scan Tool uses ICMP ping requests to scan for IP addresses in a specific IP address range. It includes the following steps:
- The ping_range function takes the starting and ending IP addresses and returns a list of all IP addresses in that range.
- Starting and ending IP addresses are obtained from the user.
- The IP address range is determined using the ping_range function.
- The check_ip function checks if IP addresses are reachable by sending an ICMP ping request.
- Scanning is performed in parallel using multiple threads.
- Accessible IP addresses are added to the correctIPs list and saved in a file named "Correct_IP.txt".

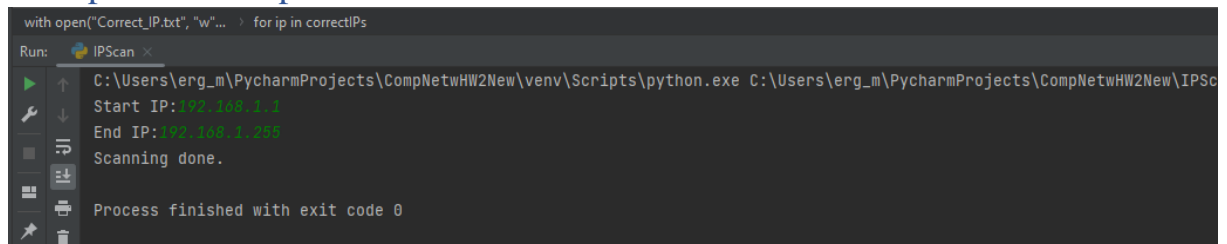
Code Structure and Operation:

- The ping_range function takes the starting and ending IP addresses and creates a list of all the IP addresses between them.
- The check_ip function sends an ICMP ping request to the given IP address, and if it receives a response, it adds the correct IP addresses to the correctIPs list.
- Threads are used to scan IP addresses. A separate thread is created for each IP address and scanning is performed in parallel.
- Accessible IP addresses are written to a file named "Correct_IP.txt".
- "Scanning done." message is printed on the screen.

Source Code:

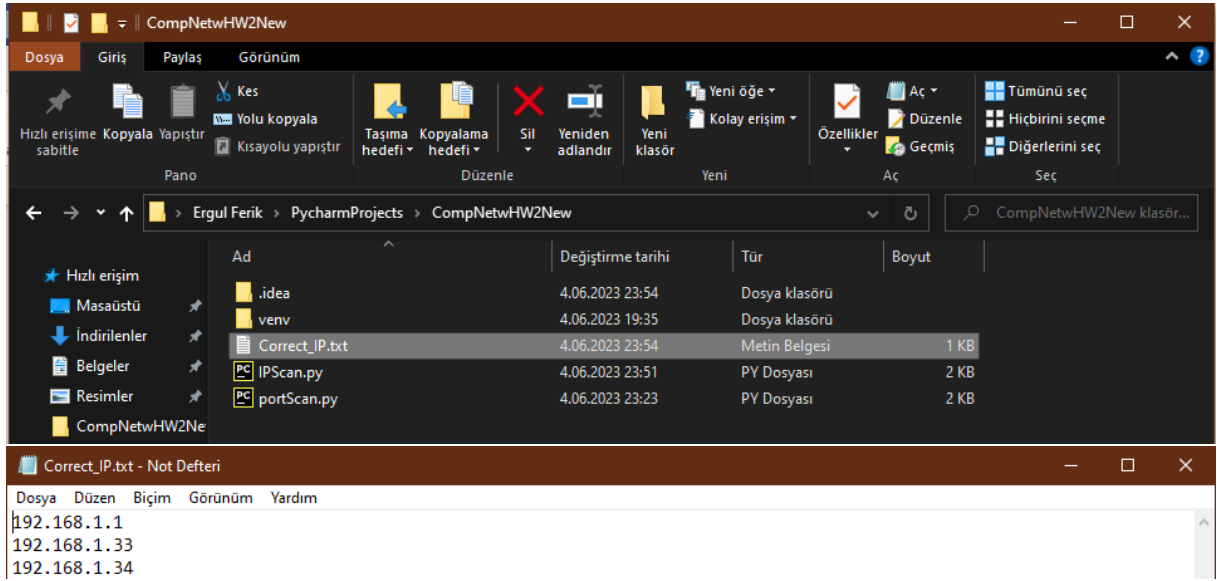
```
1  import threading
2  from ping3 import ping
3
4
5  def ping_range(start_ip, end_ip):
6      start = list(map(int, start_ip.split('.')))
7      end = list(map(int, end_ip.split('.')))
8
9      ip_range = []
10     ip_range.append(start_ip)
11
12     while start != end:
13         start[3] += 1
14         for i in range(3, 0, -1):
15             if start[i] == 256:
16                 start[i] = 0
17                 start[i - 1] += 1
18             ip_range.append('.'.join(map(str, start)))
19
20     return ip_range
21
22
23     start_ip = input("Start IP:")
24     end_ip = input("End IP:")
25
26     ip_range = ping_range(start_ip, end_ip)
27     correctIPs = []
28
29
30     def check_ip(ip):
31         try:
32             if ping(ip):
33                 correctIPs.append(ip)
34         except:
35             pass
36
37
38     threads = []
39
40     for ip in ip_range:
41         t = threading.Thread(target=check_ip, args=(ip,))
42         threads.append(t)
43         t.start()
44
45     for thread in threads:
46         thread.join()
47
48     with open("Correct_IP.txt", "w") as f:
49         for ip in correctIPs:
50             f.write(ip + "\n")
51
52     print("Scanning done.")
```

Inputs and Output



```
with open("Correct_IP.txt", "w")... > for ip in correctIPs
Run: IPScan x
C:\Users\erg_m\PycharmProjects\CompNetwHW2New\venv\Scripts\python.exe C:\Users\erg_m\PycharmProjects\CompNetwHW2New\IPSc
Start IP:192.168.1.1
End IP:192.168.1.255
Scanning done.
Process finished with exit code 0
```

“Correct_IP.txt”



QUESTION 2

“Develop and/or design a tool / solution so that it performs port scan to find open ports on the target machine and discuss their advantages and disadvantages over other solutions.”

Used Technologies

1. Python Programming Language: This Port Scanning Tool was developed using the Python programming language.
2. Pycharm Community Edition 2022.3.3: IDE for Python
3. socket Module: The socket module is used to perform port scanning using TCP/IP sockets.
4. Threading Module: The threading module is used to perform parallel operations using multiple threads.
5. queue Module: The queue module is used to share data between threads.

Port Scan Method:

- The destination IP address is passed as a parameter to the scan function.
- Using the socket module, the IP address is resolved and assigned to the `t_IP` variable.
- A certain timeout value (`socket.setdefaulttimeout(0.25)`) is set in the socket module for scanning.
- The portscan function tries to establish a TCP connection to the specified IP address and port combination.
- If the connection is successful, a message is printed stating that port is accessible, and this information is added to the `ip_and_port` list.
- Scanning is performed in parallel using multiple threads.
- Threads used in scanning are managed by the queue module.

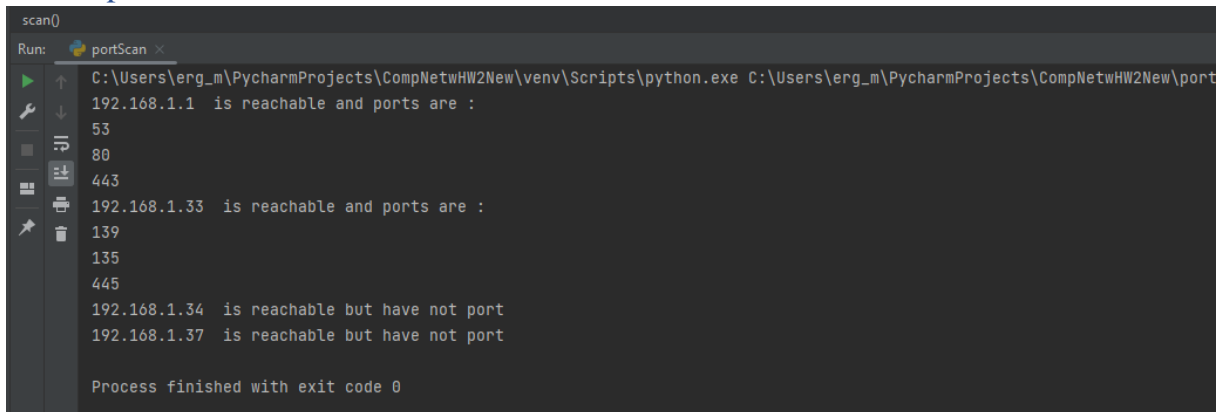
Code Structure and Operation:

- A list named `correctIPs` is created and added to this list by reading the correct IP addresses from the "Correct_IP.txt" file.
- The scan function is run for each correct IP address and the accessible ports are added to the `ip_and_port` list.
- Accessible ports are associated with the correct IP addresses.
- Finally, the scan results are printed to the screen.

Source Code:

```
1 import socket
2 import threading
3
4 from queue import Queue
5
6 ip_and_port = []
7
8
9 def scan(targetIP):
10     global ip_and_port
11
12     t_IP = socket.gethostbyname(targetIP)
13     socket.setdefaulttimeout(0.25)
14     print_lock = threading.Lock()
15
16     def portscan(port):
17         global ip_and_port
18
19         s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
20         try:
21             con = s.connect((t_IP, port))
22             with print_lock:
23                 ip_and_port.append(str(t_IP) + ":" + str(port))
24             con.close()
25         except:
26             pass
27
28     def threader():
29         while True:
30             workers = q.get()
31             portscan(workers)
32             q.task_done()
33
34     q = Queue()
35
36     for x in range(100):
37         t = threading.Thread(target=threader)
38         t.daemon = True
39         t.start()
40
41     for worker in range(1, 500):
42         q.put(worker)
43
44     q.join()
45
46     correctIPs = []
47
48     with open("Correct_IP.txt") as f:
49         for i in f.readlines():
50             correctIPs.append([i.strip()])
51
52     for i in correctIPs:
53         scan(i[0])
54
55     for ip in correctIPs:
56         for i in ip_and_port:
57             arr = str(i).split(":")
58             if ip[0] == arr[0]:
59                 ip.append(arr[1])
60
61     for i in correctIPs:
62         if len(i) > 1:
63             print(i[0], " is reachable and ports are : ")
64             for j in range(1, len(i)):
65                 print(i[j])
66         else:
67             print(i[0], " is reachable but have not port")
```

Output



```
scan()
Run: portScan x
C:\Users\erg_m\PycharmProjects\CompNetwHW2New\venv\Scripts\python.exe C:\Users\erg_m\PycharmProjects\CompNetwHW2New\port
192.168.1.1 is reachable and ports are :
53
80
443
192.168.1.33 is reachable and ports are :
139
135
445
192.168.1.34 is reachable but have not port
192.168.1.37 is reachable but have not port

Process finished with exit code 0
```

Advantages and Disadvantages:

Advantages:

- Port scanning using parallel processes significantly reduces scanning time.
- Since scanning is performed with multiple threads, multiple ports can be checked at the same time and faster results can be obtained.
- Python programming language is easy to use and flexible. Therefore, the development and customization processes are easier.

Disadvantages:

- Sufficient resources and timing capabilities are needed to scan all ports in a given IP range. This may cause some restrictions when browsing large IP address ranges.
- Some target systems can detect and take action against network scanning activities such as port scanning. This may hinder the scanning process or affect the results.