
Peer-to-Peer File Sharing

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Welcome to the documentation for the Python-based peer-to-peer file sharing system.
This project mimics basic BitTorrent-style behavior using a custom protocol.

CHAPTER ONE

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1.1 Modules

1.1.1 p2p_command

`p2p_command.exchange_data(peers, peer_name, file_id, receiver, address)`

Sends an EXCH_REQ to the remote peer. The remote peer's receiver will queue a file-sending job in 'exch_req_queue'.

`p2p_command.get_index_path(exch_id)`

Given a file ID, return the absolute file path.

Parameters

- **exch_peer** – the peer requesting the file (not used currently)
- **exch_id** – the file ID being requested

Returns

the file path as a string, or empty string if not found

`p2p_command.p2p_command_line(name, port)`

Main interface for the P2P system. Handles user input and executes commands.

`p2p_command.peer_discovery(my_port, my_name)`

Uses the tracker to discover other peers in the network. Returns a dictionary mapping 'peer_id' to (ip, port).

`p2p_command.print_index(peer_addr=None, soc=None)`

Displays the list of available files from this peer. Uses a separate socket to avoid interference with receiver.

`p2p_command.print_menu()`

Prints the command menu for the user.

`p2p_command.process_exchange_requests(exch_req_queue, address, soc)`

Continuously monitors 'exch_req_queue' for (file_id, peer_address) tuples and starts a Sender to serve that file to 'peer_address'.

`p2p_command.register_with_tracker(tracker_host, tracker_port, peer_host, peer_port, peer_name)`

Connects to the tracker and registers the current peer. Returns a list of other peers in the network.

`p2p_command.start_tracker(host='0.0.0.0', port=9000)`

Starts the tracker server that listens for incoming peer registrations. It adds peers to a global set and returns the list of known peers (excluding the caller).

1.1.2 receiver_rdt

class receiver_rdt.Receiver(*soc*, *peer_files*=None)

Bases: object

Receiver class that can handle multiple files simultaneously.

For each inbound file, we store its 'base_seq', 'max_seq', and 'packets' inside self.active_files[file_id], for example:

```
self.active_files[file_id] = {
    'base_seq': -1, 'max_seq': -1, 'packets': []
}
```

When a new chunk arrives for 'file_id', we place it at index [seq - base_seq]. Once we see seq == -1, we know the sender is done sending that file, and we call finalize_file(file_id) to write out the chunks and remove the entry.

packets

Array of received decoded data

soc

socket that receiver uses to bind and receive data over

ip

ip address to receive data from

port

port number to receive data from

base_seq

the lowest sequence number to index by

max_seq

the highest sequence number known to the receiver

add_packet(*file_id*, *seq_num*, *data_str*, *expand_pkts*)

Given file_id, seq_num, data_str, place the data into the correct spot in 'info["packets"]'. If expand_pkts is True, we enlarge 'info["packets"]' up to seq_num.

Parameters

- **file_id** (*String*) – the identifier of the inbound file
- **seq_num** (*int*) – sequence number of this chunk
- **data_str** (*String*) – the chunk contents
- **expand_pkts** (*bool*) – True if seq_num >= info['max_seq'], meaning we may need to extend the packets array

base_seq = -1

finalize_file(*file_id*)

Writes out the collected packets for 'file_id' to <file_id>_torrent.txt, then clears them from self.active_files.

Parameters

- **file_id** (*String*) – the unique identifier for the file being transferred

listen_for_requests(*exch_req_queue*)

Waits for request from other peers from self.soc, verifies data and verifies requests Runs as long as the p2p_command is running

max_seq = -1

packets = []

rebase_packets(*file_id, seq_num, data_str*)

Given file_id and a chunk's sequence number is smaller than base_seq, rebase so that 'seq_num' becomes the new base_seq and put 'data_str' at index 0.

Parameters

- **file_id** (*String*) – the identifier of the inbound file
- **seq_num** (*int*) – the inbound packet's sequence number
- **data_str** (*String*) – the actual file data chunk

set_timeout()

Optional method to signal that this receiver should time out.

timeout = None

receiver_rdt.convert_sender_payload(*data*)

Decodes packet payload to retrieve sequence number and message of packet

Parameters

data (*Bytes*) – sequence of Bytes to decode

Returns

send_seq, sequence number of packet

Return type

Bytes

Returns

msg, data from packet

Return type

String

receiver_rdt.make_checksum(*data*)

Forms checksum from data using crc32 function from zlib library

Parameters

data (*Bytes*) – sequence of Bytes to calculate checksum

Returns

checksum of data

Return type

Bytes

receiver_rdt.make_packet(*seq_num, msg*)

Forms packet by combining calculated checksum and formed payload

Parameters

- **seq_num** (*int*) – int to convert to bytes
- **msg** (*String*) – characters to encode

Returns

payload, sequence of bytes containing seq_num and msg

Return type

Bytes

`receiver_rdt.make_receiver_payload(seq_num, msg)`

Forms packet payload by encoding sequence number and message of packet

Parameters

- **seq_num** (*int*) – int to convert to bytes
- **msg** (*String*) – characters to encode

Returns

payload, sequence of bytes containing seq_num and msg

Return type

Bytes

`receiver_rdt.verify_integrity(sent_chksum, data)`

Verifies checksum from received packet

Parameters

- **sent_chksum** (*Bytes*) – received checksum with length of 8 bytes
- **data** (*Bytes*) – sequence of bytes to calculate checksum with

Returns

if sent_chksum is the exact same as calculated checksum

Return type

Boolean

1.1.3 sender_rdt

class `sender_rdt.Sender(soc, ip, port, file_id)`

Bases: object

Sender, a class with defined behavior to send data to a receiver

packets

Array of 3 object arrays containing:

[formed byte packet, boolean ack, Timeout retransmission thread]

soc

socket that sender uses to send data over

ip

ip address to send data to

port

port number to send data to

base_seq

the lowest sequence number to index by

arrange_pkts(*data*)

Given chunks of data, populate each entry of Sender packets with packet, False (for acknowledgement), thread.Timer for timeout and retransmit

Parameters

data (*Array of Strings*) – array of chunks of data

find_rcv_base_window(*window_size*)

Given window size and Sender packets, find the closest unacknowledged packet and calculate the window

Parameters

window_size (*int*) – size of window

make_packets(*exch_path*, *chunk_size*)

Forms packets from file by splitting file into chunks

Parameters

- **file_name** (*String*) – String containing name of file to send
- **chunk_size** (*int*) – number of characters to fit in a chunk from file

Returns

pkts, array of character chunks from file

Return type

Array

packets = None

run_sender()

Sends packets using Selective Repeat. Only creates timers once per packet.

send_pkt(*seq_num*)

Retransmits packet after timeout by thread.Timer and resets timeout

Parameters

seq_num (*int*) – sequence number to retransmit

setup_exchange(*exch_path*)

sender_rdt.convert_ack_payload(*data*)

Parses a receiver ACK payload (just a sequence number + “ACK”)

Parameters

data – sequence of bytes

Returns

seq_num, message

sender_rdt.convert_receiver_payload(*data*)

Decodes packet payload to retrieve sequence number and message of packet

Parameters

data (*Bytes*) – sequence of Bytes to decode

Returns

send_seq, sequence number of packet

Return type

Bytes

Returns

msg, data from packet

Return type

String

`sender_rdt.make_checksum(data)`

Forms checksum from data using crc32 function from zlib library

Parameters

data (*Bytes*) – sequence of Bytes to calculate checksum

Returns

checksum of data

Return type

Bytes

`sender_rdt.make_packet(seq_num, msg, file_id)`

Forms packet by combining calculated checksum and formed payload

Parameters

- **seq_num** (*int*) – int to convert to bytes
- **msg** (*String*) – characters to encode

Returns

payload, sequence of bytes containing seq_num and msg

Return type

Bytes

`sender_rdt.make_sender_payload(seq_num, msg, file_id)`

Forms packet payload by encoding sequence number and message of packet

Parameters

- **seq_num** (*int*) – int to convert to bytes
- **msg** (*String*) – characters to encode

Returns

payload, sequence of bytes containing seq_num and msg

Return type

Bytes

`sender_rdt.verify_integrity(sent_chksum, data)`

Verifies checksum from received packet

Parameters

- **sent_chksum** (*Bytes*) – received checksum with length of 8 bytes
- **data** (*Bytes*) – sequence of bytes to calculate checksum with

Returns

if sent_chksum is the exact same as calculated checksum

Return type

Boolean

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