

Assignment Simple KV Store Report

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Design:

- We have two parts: **client** and **server**.
- The server can be connected with a **port by giving it via arguments**.
- The server can accept multiple client connections concurrently via **multi-threading**.
- The **max concurrent connections** set are **1024** as per the **memcache protocol**.
- We are using **TCP** as the underlying communication between client and server with low level **socket programming**.
- Server spawns a new thread for each client connected.

Operations:

- We have implemented 3 operations:
 1. SET
 2. GET
 3. END
- **SET**
 - **Command:**
 - set <key> <size>\r\n <value>\r\n
 - If length is less not equal to 4 it will return ERROR\r\n
 - If key length is greater than 250, it will return ERROR\r\n
 - If the key is already present in the kv store, it will just update it.
 - If <size> is not equal to the <value> it will return ERROR\r\n
- **GET**
 - **Command**
 - get <key>\r\n
 - If length is less not equal to 2 it will return ERROR\r\n
 - If key does not exist it returns NOT-FOUND\r\n
 - If key exists it returns
 - VALUE <key> <size>\r\n <value>\r\n END\r\n
- **END**
 - **Command**
 - end\r\n
 - Closes client thread in server.

Limitations:

- Currently, the race condition where two writes or set operations are performed at same time is not handled. This can be taken as **future improvement** by **adding timestamp** in persistent storage.

- We are limiting the number of concurrent connections to 1024 as per memcache protocol.

Steps to reproduce:

- `chmod 755 start_client.sh`
- `chmod 755 start_server.sh`
- Start Server
 - `./start_server.sh <server_port>`
- You can run **multiple clients** by this command
 - `./start_client.sh <server_port>`