Lab Name: Python For networking

Lab No:06

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Third-party libraries:

Although the Python's standard library provides a great set of awesome functionalities, there will be times that you will eventually run into the need of making use of third party libraries.

Networking Glossary:

- **1**.Connection: In networking, a connection refers to pieces of related information that are transferred through a network.
- **2**. Packet: A packet is, generally speaking, the most basic unit that is transferred over a network.
- **3**. Network Interface: A network interface can refer to any kind of software interface to networking hardware.
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- **5**. WAN: WAN stands for "wide area network". It means a network that is much more extensive than a LAN.
- **6**. Protocol: A protocol is a set of rules and standards that basically define a language that devices can use to communicate. There are a great number of protocols in use extensively in networking, and they are often implemented in different layers. Some low level protocols are TCP, UDP, IP, and ICMP.
- **7**. Firewall: A firewall is a program that decides whether traffic coming into a server or going out should be allowed.
- **8**. NAT: NAT stands for network address translation. It is a way to translate requests that are incoming into a routing server to the relevant devices or servers that it knows about in the LAN.
- **9**. VPN: VPN stands for virtual private network. It is a means of connecting separate LANs through the internet, while maintaining privacy.
- **10**. Interfaces: Interfaces are networking communication points for your computer. Each interface is associated with a physical or virtual networking device.

Exercises:

4.1. Enumerating interfaces on your machine

Code:

import sys

import socket

import fcntl

import struct

import array

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SIOCGIFCONF = 0x8912 #from C library sockios.h
STUCT_SIZE_32 = 32
STUCT_SIZE_64 = 40
PLATFORM 32 MAX NUMBER = 2**32
DEFAULT_INTERFACES = 8
def list_interfaces():
interfaces = []
max_interfaces = DEFAULT_INTERFACES
is_64bits = sys.maxsize > PLATFORM_32_MAX_NUMBER
struct_size = STUCT_SIZE_64 if is_64bits else STUCT_SIZE_32
sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_DGRAM)
while True:
bytes = max_interfaces * struct_size
interface_names = array.array('B', '\0' * bytes)
sock_info = fcntl.ioctl(
sock.fileno(),
SIOCGIFCONF,
struct.pack('iL', bytes,interface_names.buffer_info()[0])
)
outbytes = struct.unpack('iL', sock_info)[0]
if outbytes == bytes:
max_interfaces *= 2
else:
break
namestr = interface_names.tostring()
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for i in range(0, outbytes, struct_size):
interfaces.append((namestr[i:i+16].split('\0', 1)[0]))
return interfaces
if __name__ == '__main__':
interfaces = list_interfaces()
print( "This machine has %s network interfaces: %s."
%(len(interfaces), interface))
Output:
 This machine has 2 network interfaces: ['lo', 'eth0'].
Exercise 4.2: Finding the IP address for a specific interface on your machine
Code:
import argparse
import sys
import socket
import fcntl
import struct
import array
def get_ip_address(ifname):
s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_DGRAM)
return socket.inet_ntoa(fcntl.ioctl(
s.fileno(),
0x8915, # SIOCGIFADDR
struct.pack('256s', ifname[:15])
)[20:24])
if __name__ == '__main__':
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#interfaces = list_interfaces()
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Python networking
utils')
parser.add_argument('--ifname', action="store", dest="ifname",
required=True)
given_args = parser.parse_args()
ifname = given_args.ifname
print ("Interface [%s] --> IP: %s" %(ifname, get_ip_
address(ifname)))
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Output:

Interface [eth0] --> IP: 10.0.2.15

'Exercise 4.3: Finding whether an interface is up on your machine

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Code:
import argparse
import socket
import struct
import fcntl
import nmap
SAMPLE_PORTS = '21-23'
def get_interface_status(ifname):
sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_DGRAM)
ip_address = socket.inet_ntoa(fcntl.ioctl(
sock.fileno(),
0x8915, #SIOCGIFADDR, C socket library sockios.h
struct.pack('256s', ifname[:15]))[20:24])
nm = nmap.PortScanner()
nm.scan(ip_address, SAMPLE_PORTS)
return nm[ip_address].state()
if __name__ == '__main__':
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Python networking
utils')
parser.add_argument('--ifname', action="store", dest="ifname",
required=True)
given_args = parser.parse_args()
ifname = given_args.ifname
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print ("Interface [%s] is: %s" %(ifname, get_interface_
status(ifname)))
OUTPUT:
Interface [eth0] is: up
Exercise 4.4: Detecting inactive machines on your network
Code:
import argparse
import time
import sched
from scapy.all import sr, srp, IP, UDP, ICMP, TCP, ARP, Ether
RUN_FREQUENCY = 10
scheduler = sched.scheduler(time.time, time.sleep)
def detect_inactive_hosts(scan_hosts):
Scans the network to find scan_hosts are live or dead
scan_hosts can be like 10.0.2.2-4 to cover range.
See Scapy docs for specifying targets.
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global scheduler
scheduler.enter(RUN_FREQUENCY, 1, detect_inactive_hosts, (scan_
hosts, ))
inactive_hosts = []
try:
ans, unans = sr(IP(dst=scan_hosts)/ICMP(),retry=0, timeout=1)
ans.summary(lambda(s,r): r.sprintf("%IP.src% is alive"))
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for inactive in unans:
print "%s is inactive" %inactive.dst
inactive_hosts.append(inactive.dst)
print "Total %d hosts are inactive" %(len(inactive hosts))
except KeyboardInterrupt:
exit(0)
if __name__ == "__main__":
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Python networking
utils')
parser.add_argument('--scan-hosts', action="store", dest="scan_
hosts", required=True)
given_args = parser.parse_args()
scan_hosts = given_args.scan_hosts
scheduler.enter(1, 1, detect_inactive_hosts, (scan_hosts, ))
scheduler.run()
OUTPUT:
$ sudo python 3 7 detect inactive machines.py --scan-hosts=10.0.2.2-4
Begin emission:
.*...Finished to send 3 packets.
Received 6 packets, got 1 answers, remaining 2 packets
10.0.2.2 is alive
10.0.2.4 is inactive
10.0.2.3 is inactive
Total 2 hosts are inactive
Begin emission:
*.Finished to send 3 packets.
Received 3 packets, got 1 answers, remaining 2 packets
10.0.2.2 is alive
10.0.2.4 is inactive
10.0.2.3 is inactive
Total 2 hosts are inactive
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Exercise 4.5: Pinging hosts on the network with ICMP

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Code:
import os
import argparse
import socket
import struct
import select
import time
ICMP_ECHO_REQUEST = 8 # Platform specific
DEFAULT_TIMEOUT = 2
DEFAULT_COUNT = 4
class Pinger(object):
""" Pings to a host -- the Pythonic way"""
def __init__(self, target_host, count=DEFAULT_COUNT,
timeout = DEFAULT\_TIMEOUT):
self.target_host = target_host
self.count = count
self.timeout = timeout
def do_checksum(self, source_string):
""" Verify the packet integritity """
sum = 0
max_count = (len(source_string)/2)*2
count = 0
while count < max_count:
val = ord(source_string[count + 1])*256 + ord(source_
string[count])
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sum = sum + val
sum = sum & 0xffffffff
count = count + 2
if max_count<len(source_string):</pre>
sum = sum + ord(source_string[len(source_string) - 1])
sum = sum & 0xffffffff
sum = (sum >> 16) + (sum & 0xffff)
sum = sum + (sum >> 16)
answer = ~sum
answer = answer & 0xffff
answer = answer >> 8 | (answer << 8 & 0xff00)
return answer
def receive_pong(self, sock, ID, timeout):
Receive ping from the socket.
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time_remaining = timeout
while True:
start_time = time.time()
readable = select.select([sock], [], [], time_remaining)
time_spent = (time.time() - start_time)
if readable[0] == []: # Timeout
return
time_received = time.time()
recv_packet, addr = sock.recvfrom(1024)
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icmp_header = recv_packet[20:28]
type, code, checksum, packet_ID, sequence = struct.unpack(
"bbHHh", icmp_header
if packet ID == ID:
bytes_In_double = struct.calcsize("d")
time_sent = struct.unpack("d", recv_packet[28:28 +
bytes_In_double])[0]
return time_received - time_sent
time_remaining = time_remaining - time_spent
if time_remaining <= 0:
return
We need a send ping() method that will send the data of a ping request to the target host.
Also, this will call the do_checksum() method for checking the integrity of the ping data,
as follows:
def send_ping(self, sock, ID):
Send ping to the target host
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target_addr = socket.gethostbyname(self.target_host)
my_checksum = 0
# Create a dummy header with a 0 checksum.
header = struct.pack("bbHHh", ICMP_ECHO_REQUEST, 0, my_
checksum, ID, 1)
bytes_In_double = struct.calcsize("d")
data = (192 - bytes_In_double) * "Q"
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data = struct.pack("d", time.time()) + data
# Get the checksum on the data and the dummy header.
my_checksum = self.do_checksum(header + data)
header = struct.pack(
"bbHHh", ICMP_ECHO_REQUEST, 0, socket.htons(my_checksum),
ID, 1
packet = header + data
sock.sendto(packet, (target_addr, 1))
def ping_once(self):
icmp = socket.getprotobyname("icmp")
try:
sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_RAW,
icmp)
except socket.error, (errno, msg):
if errno == 1:
# Not superuser, so operation not permitted
msg += "ICMP messages can only be sent from root user
processes"
raise socket.error(msg)
except Exception, e:
print "Exception: %s" %(e)
my_ID = os.getpid() & 0xFFFF
self.send_ping(sock, my_ID)
delay = self.receive_pong(sock, my_ID, self.timeout)
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sock.close()
return delay
def ping(self):
.....
Run the ping process
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for i in xrange(self.count):
print "Ping to %s..." % self.target_host,
try:
delay = self.ping_once()
except socket.gaierror, e:
print "Ping failed. (socket error: '%s')" % e[1]
break
if delay == None:
print "Ping failed. (timeout within %ssec.)" % \ \
self.timeout
else:
delay = delay * 1000
print "Get pong in %0.4fms" % delay
if __name__ == '__main__':
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Python ping')
parser.add_argument('--target-host', action="store", dest="target_
host", required=True)
given_args = parser.parse_args()
target_host = given_args.target_host
pinger = Pinger(target_host=target_host)
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pinger.ping()
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OUTPUT:

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$ sudo python 3_2_ping_remote_host.py --target-host=www.google.com
Ping to www.google.com... Get pong in 7.6921ms
Ping to www.google.com... Get pong in 7.1061ms
Ping to www.google.com... Get pong in 8.9211ms
Ping to www.google.com... Get pong in 7.9899ms
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Exercise 4.6: Pinging hosts on the network with ICMP using pc resources

Code:

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1⊝ ...
                                               CN_LaB/Localmachineinfo.py
  2 Created on Aug 30, 2020
  4 @author: Mukit
  6⊖ import subprocess
  7 import shlex
  8 command_line = "ping -c 1 10.0.1.135"
9 if __name__ == '__main__':
         args = shlex.split(command_line)
 10
         subprocess. check\_call(args, stdout=subprocess. PIPE, stderr=subprocess. PIPE)
 12
         print ("Your pc is up!")
 14 except subprocess.CalledProcessError:
 print ("Failed to get ping.")

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■ Console 
<terminated> finding_new_service.py [E:\pythoncode\venv\Scripts\python.exe]
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Failed to get ping.

Exercise 4.7: Scanning the broadcast of packets

Code:

from scapy.all import *

import os

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captured_data = dict()
END_PORT = 1000
def monitor_packet(pkt):
if IP in pkt:
if not captured_data.has_key(pkt[IP].src):
captured_data[pkt[IP].src] = []
if TCP in pkt:
if pkt[TCP].sport <= END_PORT:</pre>
if not str(pkt[TCP].sport) in captured_data[pkt[IP].src]:
captured_data[pkt[IP].src].append(str(pkt[TCP].sport))
os.system('clear')
ip_list = sorted(captured_data.keys())
for key in ip_list:
ports=', '.join(captured_data[key])
if len (captured_data[key]) == 0:
print '%s' % key
else:
print '%s (%s)' % (key, ports)
if __name__ == '__main__':
sniff(prn=monitor_packet, store=0)
Output:
 10.0.2.15
XXX.194.41.129 (80)
XXX.194.41.134 (80)
XXX.194.41.136 (443)
 XXX.194.41.140 (80)
XXX.194.67.147 (80)
XXX.194.67.94 (443)
XXX.194.67.95 (80, 443)
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Exercise 4.8: Sniffing packets on your network

Conclusion:

Python provides two levels of access to network services. At a low level, you can access the basic socket support in the underlying operating system, which allows you to implement clients and servers for both connection-oriented and connectionless protocols.

Python also has libraries that provide higher-level access to specific application-level network protocols, such as FTP, HTTP, and so on.

So python plays a vital role in networking .It Helps automation, security of networking processor through socket programming