Simulation of TCP using C programming

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***Abstract*—This report delves into the implementation and simulation of Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) using C programming. It explores the fundamental principles and inner workings of TCP, simulating its behavior in various network scenarios. Through C programming, the study investigates packet transmission, 3-way handshaking, and Data transfer for File Server Applications. The report justifies the use of mechanisms provided by the Operating System which are extensively used in implementation for synchronization and serialization between multiple processes in action.**

I. Introduction

The Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) stands as a cornerstone in TCP/IP protocol suite, ensuring reliable and ordered data transfer between interconnected devices. This report embarks on an exploratory journey into the intricate world of TCP, focusing on its implementation and simulation through the prism of C programming. The endeavor is to unravel the core principles and inner workings of TCP, exposing its behavior in a spectrum of diverse network scenarios.

With a focus on packet transmission, 3-way handshaking, and data transfer for File Server Applications, this report delves into the intricacies of these fundamental elements. Additionally, the report investigates the rationale behind utilizing mechanisms provided by the Operating System, pivotal in the implementation process. These mechanisms serve in synchronization and serialization, crucial for facilitating seamless communication among multiple active processes.

This exploration aims not only to reveal the fundamental features of TCP but also to underscore the practical implications and applications of these mechanisms in real-world network environments.

II. Transmission Control Protocol

A. Overview

TCP, a core protocol of the Internet Protocol Suite, operates at the transport layer and facilitates reliable, ordered, and error-checked delivery of data between network-connected devices. It underpins many applications such as web browsing, email, file transfer, and more. TCP breaks data into smaller packets for transmission, ensuring they are reliably delivered and reassembled in the correct order at the destination.

B. Connection Establishment and Termination

The TCP protocol uses a three-way handshake for connection establishment, ensuring both ends are ready to communicate. During this process, the client and server exchange SYN (synchronize) and ACK (acknowledgment) packets, confirming their readiness to send and receive data.

Connection termination involves a four-way handshake to ensure all data has been reliably exchanged and both ends are prepared to close the connection.

C. Reliability and Flow Control

TCP achieves reliability through various mechanisms, including sequence numbers, acknowledgments, and retransmissions. Each packet is assigned a sequence number, allowing the receiver to reassemble them in the correct order. Upon receiving data, the receiver sends acknowledgments, and the sender retransmits any unacknowledged packets to ensure reliable data transmission.

Flow control manages the data flow between sender and receiver, preventing overwhelming the receiver with a flood of data. This control is managed through window size adjustments, where the receiver informs the sender of its buffer space to regulate the data transmission rate.

D. Congestion Control

TCP handles congestion control to prevent network overload. It employs various algorithms like Slow Start, Congestion Avoidance, Fast Retransmit, and Fast Recovery. These mechanisms monitor network conditions, adapt transmission speeds, and respond to packet loss to prevent network congestion, ensuring efficient data delivery.

III. 3-way handshaking

In Transmission Control Protocol (TCP), the 3-way handshaking is a fundamental process for establishing a connection between a client and a server. It ensures a reliable and orderly initiation of communication, essential for data exchange.

The process unfolds in three steps:

1) **SYN (Synchronize) from Client:** The client initiates the connection by sending a TCP segment with the SYN flag set in the control flags field and the source and destination ports specified in the TCP header. This segment contains a sequence number to begin the communication and a Header Length (HLEN) field indicating the size of the TCP header.
2) **SYN-ACK (Synchronize-Acknowledgment) from Server:** Upon receiving the SYN segment, the server responds with a TCP segment with both the SYN and ACK flags set in the control flags field of the TCP header. This segment acknowledges the client's request and includes the server's sequence number, acknowledgment number, and the Header Length.
3) **ACK (Acknowledgment) from Client:** Finally, the client acknowledges the server's response by sending a TCP segment with the ACK flag set in the control flags field of the TCP header. This packet also includes the Header Length and the acknowledgment number equal to the server's sequence number plus one.

The TCP header segments for each step might appear as follows:

```
Step 1: Client --> Server
Source Port: 1234
Destination Port: 80
HLEN: 20 bytes
Control Flags: SYN
Sequence Number: 100

Step 2: Server --> Client
Source Port: 80
Destination Port: 1234
HLEN: 20 bytes
Control Flags: SYN, ACK
Sequence Number: 300
Acknowledgment Number: 101

Step 3: Client --> Server
Source Port: 1234
Destination Port: 80
HLEN: 20 bytes
Control Flags: ACK
Acknowledgment Number: 301
```

This 3-way exchange, depicted in the TCP header segments, ensures that both ends (client and server) are synchronized and ready to communicate. It ensures a reliable and orderly connection setup before data transmission begins. Once this handshake is completed, data transfer can occur between the two entities over a secure channel.

IV. Methodology

To emulate the links between various processes, FIFOs are used which provide powerful mechanism of serialization and inherently synchronize the read and write operation. Hence, explicit synchronization is not required making the implementation less complex. All kinds of requests are passed in form of C structures via FIFO. Since FIFOs are unidirectional, 2 FIFOs are required for duplex connection between processes. All traffic from *Application Processes to TCP Process* is transmitted via FIFO called 'system'. This means the TCP process must **read** from the *system* FIFO whereas Application processes **write** to *system* FIFO.

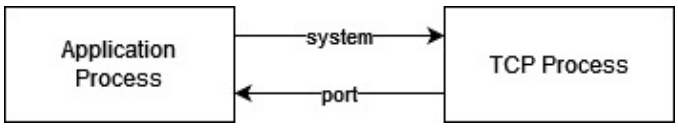

Fig. 1. 2 way link between Application Process and TCP process using FIFOs

For routing the Data/Control information from the TCP process to the respective Client Application, *port* FIFOs are used. These FIFOs are named based on the port application processes are listening to.

Two TCP processes on two different hosts are communicating via *Network*, and FIFOs are used to establish a 2-way link between the host machines.

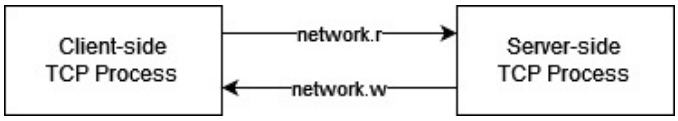

Fig. 2. 2-way link between Client TCP and Server TCP using FIFOs

This sums up the Interprocess Communication Part. Now the information that is being exchanged between the Application process and TCP process in form *packets*, are in the form of structures. There are 3 data structures used to transfer information.

1) TCP to TCP: `tcp_header`
2) TCP to Application Process: `tcpClientPacket`
3) Application to TCP: `clientReqPacket`

A. tcp_header Structure

This structure represents the TCP Header.

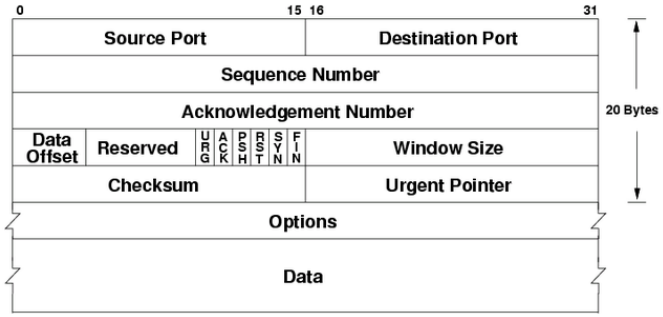

Fig. 3. TCP Header

B. tcpClientPacket

Structure which is transferred via port FIFOs.

TABLE I
TCP TO CLIENT PACKET

Component	Description
Data	Field containing Data
isData	Flag which is asserted when containing Data
info	Field containing Connection Status

C. clientReqPacket

Structure which is transferred via system FIFO.

TABLE II
CLIENT TO TCP PACKET

Components	Description
Source Port	For TCP Client to handle Connections
Dest Port	"..."
isData	Flag which is asserted when containing Data
request	Field containing Connection Request
Data	Field containing Data Payload

V. IMPLEMENTATION

The complete program involves 4 processes:

1) Client-side TCP process
2) Server-side TCP process
3) Client Application requesting services from Server.
4) Server Application delivering services to Client.

Client-side TCP Process It goes live and waits for the Active Client Process requesting TCP service. If active client request is received then the process handles the client request.

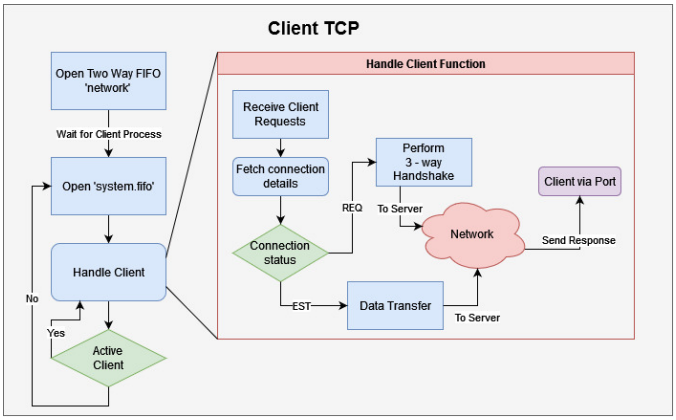

Fig. 4. Client-side TCP process

Server-side TCP Process It goes live and waits for the Active Server Application to listen to incoming connections. If an active server application are sensed, the TCP listens to the incoming packets from *network* fifo.

Server Application As server application, refer Fig. 6, File server is deployed which takes *file path* as an input and returns contents of the file if file exist.

Client Application Here, as a Client Application, refer Fig. 7, a process requesting for file is deployed where it takes the file path from the user and requests the file server to provide the file.

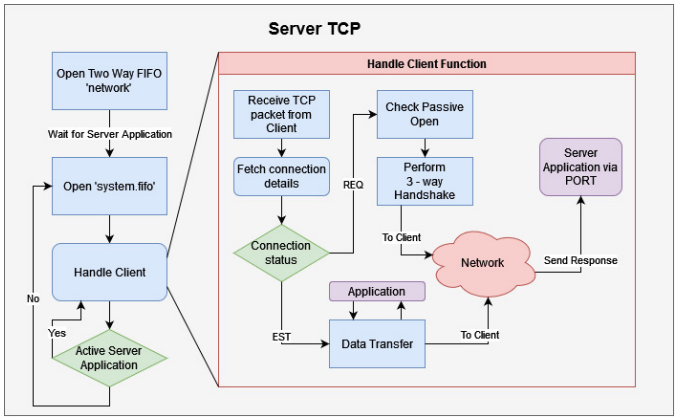

Fig. 5. Server-side TCP process

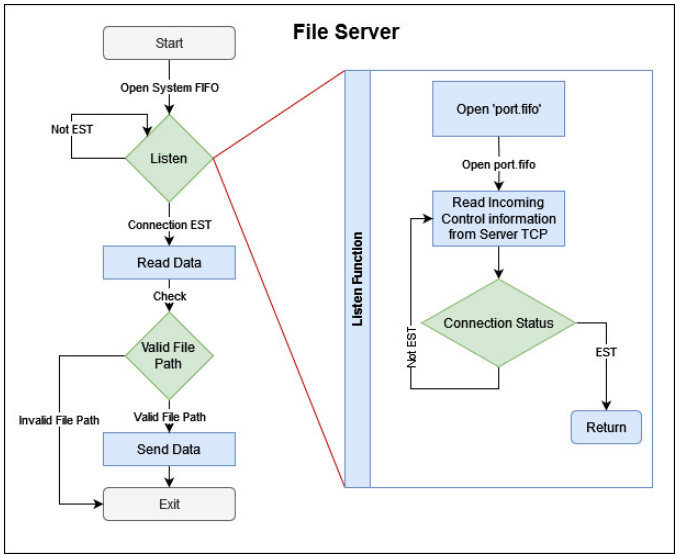

Fig. 6. Server Application process

VI. CONCLUSION

The exploration and implementation of Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) using C programming depicted a comprehensive understanding of the intricacies of this fundamental networking protocol. Through this venture, the core principles and operational mechanisms of TCP were dissected, shedding light on its functionalities and vital role in facilitating reliable and ordered data transfer between networked devices.

The report successfully highlighted key elements of TCP, encompassing packet transmission, the 3-way handshaking process, and data transfer for File Server Applications. Moreover, it justified the utilization of Operating System mechanisms, crucial for synchronization and serialization between multiple processes. These mechanisms were revealed as instrumental in ensuring seamless communication among active processes without the need for explicit synchronization.

The detailed discussion on the 3-way handshaking process elucidated its significance in establishing a robust and ordered connection between client and server entities. The exchange

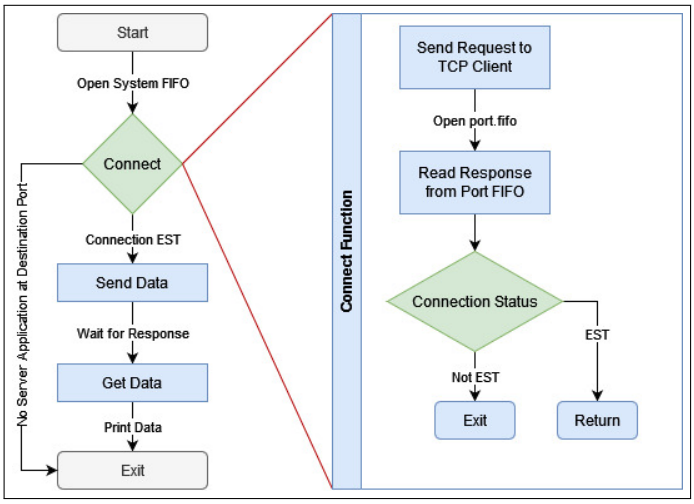

Fig. 7. Client Application process

of SYN, SYN-ACK, and ACK packets was articulated as a fundamental procedure ensuring the readiness of both ends for secure communication.

Furthermore, the methodology section delved into the intricacies of implementing TCP using C programming, employing FIFOs for interprocess communication. The structural representation of TCP headers and packets elucidated the exchange of information and control between various processes.

The comprehensive analysis of the implementation involved four distinct processes: the client-side TCP process, server-side TCP process, server application, and client application. Each process's role in initiating, managing, and facilitating communication was thoroughly described, providing a comprehensive overview of the complete system.

In conclusion, this report not only unveiled the core functionalities and intricacies of TCP but also provided a practical understanding of its implementation using C programming. It emphasized the significance of TCP in network communication and showcased the practical implications of employing these protocols in real-world scenarios. The methodologies and processes outlined in this exploration can serve as a foundation for understanding and developing network applications and protocols using C programming, contributing to the broader understanding of networking principles and their applications.

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Appendix A

Source Code

A.1 Client-side TCP Process

```
1  #include "tcp.h"
2
3  #define CLIENT_PORT_PATH "clientSide/ports/"
4  #define SYSTEM_FIFO_PATH "clientSide/system.fifo"
5
6  connectionList* head = NULL;
7  sem_t lock;
8
9  // File Descriptors of Network and System
10 int network_fd[2];
11 int system_fd;
12
13 connectionList* getConnections(uint16_t sourcePort, uint16_t destinationPort){
14     if(head == NULL){
15         head = (connectionList*)malloc(sizeof(connectionList));
16         head->source_port = sourcePort;
17         head->dest_port = destinationPort;
18         head->connectionStatus = REQ;
19         return head;
20     }
21     else{
22         connectionList* curr = head;
23         connectionList* prev = NULL;
24         while(curr){
25             if(curr->source_port == sourcePort && curr->dest_port == destinationPort){
26                 return curr;
27             }
28             prev = curr;
29             curr = curr->next;
30         }
31         // printf("New Connection\n");
32         // Adding new node at last and returning it for the handler to update the details
33         connectionList* newNode = (connectionList*)malloc(sizeof(connectionList));
34         newNode->source_port = sourcePort;
35         newNode->dest_port = destinationPort;
36         newNode->connectionStatus = REQ;
```

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37          prev->next = newNode;
38          return newNode;
39      }
40  }
41
42  int hanshake(uint16_t sourcePort, uint16_t destinationPort){
43      /*
44          -> handshake() performs 3-way handshaking for requested connection on
                (sourcePort,destPort).
45          -> Returns either EST(0) connection or RST(1) connection in case no passive open on
                Destination Port.
46      */
47
48      tcp_header syn_packet, ack_syn_packet, ack_packet;
49
50      // Received a connection request from client process
51      // Assign a random sequence number
52
53      int client_seqnum = rand();
54
55      // Make SYN segment
56      syn_packet = create_tcp_header(sourcePort, destinationPort, client_seqnum, 0, SYN_PACKET,
            0, 0, 0);
57      // Send Packet
58      send_packet(network_fd[1], &syn_packet, sizeof(syn_packet));
59      printf("SYN_PACKET Sent!\n");
60      printTcpHeader(&syn_packet);
61
62
63
64      // Receive ACK+SYN segment
65      receive_packet(network_fd[0], &ack_syn_packet, sizeof(ack_syn_packet));
66      if(ack_syn_packet.data_offset_flags == ACK_SYN_PACKET){
67          printf("Received ACK+SYN PACKET\n");
68          printTcpHeader(&ack_syn_packet);
69
70          if(ack_syn_packet.ack_num == syn_packet.sequence_num + 1){
71              // Opent Connection for Client
72              // Print ACK received for the Client.
73              // Send ACK packet for server side SYN request
74              copyTcpHeader(&ack_packet, &ack_syn_packet);
75              ack_packet.sequence_num = syn_packet.sequence_num;
76              ack_packet.ack_num = ack_syn_packet.sequence_num + 1;
77              ack_packet.data_offset_flags = ACK_PACKET;
78          }
79      }
80      else{
81          // Other than ACK
82          printf("Received RST segment");
83          if(ack_syn_packet.data_offset_flags == RST_PACKET){
84              printf("No Server Application at Destination Port: %d", destinationPort);
85              return 1;
86          }
87      }
```

```
88
89
90      // Send ACK packet
91      printf("Sent ACK PACKET\n");
92      printTcpHeader(&ack_packet);
93      send_packet(network_fd[1], &ack_packet, sizeof(ack_packet));
94
95      return 0;
96  }
97
98  void handleClient(void){
99      printf("Handling Clients.\n");
100     while(true){
101         clientReqPacket* reqPacket = (clientReqPacket*)malloc(sizeof(clientReqPacket));
102
103         // Read returns data on the FIFO, if no data but write ends are open then shall block
                the process until any data is written on FIFO.
104         ssize_t readBytes = Read(system_fd, reqPacket, sizeof(clientReqPacket));
105         if(readBytes == 0){
106             // If all write ends are closed (No client Process), 'read' returns 0 -> EOF.
107             printf("No Active Clients.\n");
108             close(system_fd);
109             // Close the FIFO read end.
110             // Go back to main function and Open Read end again. Open will again block the
                    process execution until a client process open FIFO for Write.
111             return;
112         }
113         printf("Received:\n");
114         print_clientReqPacket(reqPacket);
115
116         // Get Records of Current Request, if not then create new.
117         connectionList* activeReq = getConnections(reqPacket->source_port,
                reqPacket->dest_port);
118         // Printing Connection Record
119         print_connectionList(activeReq);
120
121         // Perform action based on request received.
122         if(reqPacket->isData == false){
123             printf("Connection Control..\n");
124             // Client Process can either request to OPEN connection or CLOSE connection
125             if(reqPacket->request == REQ){
126                 // Open FIFO end for Writing, store the file descriptor in
                        'connectionList->portFd'
127                 // Perform Handshake
128                 // Relay connection status back to client process.
129                 printf("New Connection Request received at\nSource Port: %d, Destination Port:
                        %d\n", reqPacket->source_port, reqPacket->dest_port);
130                 // Opening Write End for the port
131                 char fifoPath[50];
132                 sprintf(fifoPath, "%s%d.fifo", CLIENT_PORT_PATH, reqPacket->source_port);
133                 activeReq->portFd = Open(fifoPath, (O_EXCL | O_WRONLY));
134                 // Perform Handshaking
135                 int receivedFlag = hanshake(reqPacket->source_port, reqPacket->dest_port);
136                 printf("Received Packet: %d\n", receivedFlag);
```

```
137                 tcpClientPacket* toClient = (tcpClientPacket*)malloc(sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
138                 if(receivedFlag == 0){
139                     printf("Connection: EST\n");
140                     activeReq->connectionStatus = EST;
141                     toClient->info = EST;
142                     toClient->isData = false;
143                 }
144                 else{
145                     printf("Connection: RST\n");
146                     activeReq->connectionStatus = RST;
147                     toClient->isData = false;
148                     toClient->info = RST;
149                 }
150                 printf("Client Packet sent back to client\n");
151                 print_tcpClientPacket(toClient);
152                 Write(activeReq->portFd, toClient, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
153                 free(toClient);
154             }
155             else if(reqPacket->request == FIN){
156                 // TERMINATE Connection
157             }
158         }
159         else{
160             tcp_header* dataSegment = (tcp_header*)malloc(sizeof(tcp_header));
161             if(activeReq->connectionStatus == EST){
162                 // Transfer Data
163                 if(reqPacket->isData){
164                     dataSegment->source_port = reqPacket->source_port;
165                     dataSegment->dest_port = reqPacket->dest_port;
166                     memset(dataSegment->data, 0, BUFSIZ);
167                     strcpy(dataSegment->data, reqPacket->data);
168                     send_packet(network_fd[1], dataSegment, sizeof(tcp_header));
169                     memset(dataSegment, 0, sizeof(tcp_header));
170                 }
171 
172                 // Waiting for response
173                 tcpClientPacket* sendData = (tcpClientPacket*)malloc(sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
174                 readBytes = receive_packet(network_fd[0], dataSegment, sizeof(tcp_header));
175                 memset(sendData->data, 0, BUFSIZ);
176                 if(readBytes > 20){
177                     sendData->isData = true;
178                     strcpy(sendData->data, dataSegment->data);
179                     Write(activeReq->portFd, sendData, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
180                 }
181                 free(sendData);
182             }
183             else if(activeReq->connectionStatus == CLOSED){
184                 // Closed Connection
185             }
186             else if(activeReq->connectionStatus == REQ){
187                 // Redirect for hanshake
188             }
189             free(dataSegment);
190         }
```

```
191     }
192 }
193
194 int main(){
195     // For random sequence number generation in 'handshake' function.
196     srand(time(NULL));
197
198     // Creating two way 'Network' FIFO, emulating NETWORK
199     // BOTH client TCP and server TCP will communicate through NETWORK
200     twoWayFifo(network_fd, NETWORK_FIFO_PATH, O_EXCL, true);
201
202
203     // Creating system fifo, all process must send requests to TCP via system.fifo
204     while(true){
205         printf("Waiting for Client Processes\n");
206         // For client to TCP_client communication, we have 'system.fifo'
207         // TCP will communicate via source port mentioned by client process in their request
                packets.
208         system_fd = Open(SYSTEM_FIFO_PATH, (O_EXCL | O_RDONLY));
209         // Will handle client only if there are active client process seeking connections
210         handleClient();
211     }
212
213
214     // Closing System FIFO
215     Close(system_fd);
216     // Closing Network FIFO
217     closeTwoWayFifo(network_fd);
218     return 0;
219 }
```

Listing A.1: Client-side TCP Process

A.2 Server-side TCP Process

```
1  #include "tcp.h"
2
3  #define SERVER_PORT_PATH "serverSide/ports/"
4  #define SYSTEM_FIFO_PATH "serverSide/system.fifo"
5
6  // Record List
7  connectionList* head = NULL;
8
9  // 'Network' File Descriptor
10 int network_fd[2];
11 int system_fd;
12
13 bool checkPassiveOpen(connectionList* current){
14     printf("Checking for Passive open at PORT: %d\n", current->dest_port);
15     char fifoPath[50];
16     sprintf(fifoPath, "%s%d.fifo", SERVER_PORT_PATH, current->dest_port);
17     if( (current->portFd = Open(fifoPath, (O_EXCL | O_WRONLY))) == -1){
```

```
18          if(errno = 2){
19              // If no such file exist that implies that no server process has opened it.
20              // Hence no server process is listening to PORT. Thus no passive open.
21              printf("No Passive open found at PORT: %d\n", current->dest_port);
22              return false;
23          }
24      }
25      printf("File Descriptor: %d\n", current->portFd);
26      printf("System File descriptor: %d\n", system_fd);
27      // If exists then portFd has the Write file descriptor.
28      printf("Found Passive Open at PORT: %d\n", current->dest_port);
29      return true;
30  }
31
32  // Get connection history function
33  connectionList* getConnections(uint16_t sourcePort, uint16_t destinationPort){
34      printf("Fetching Connection details\n");
35      if(head == NULL){
36          printf("Connection Table Empty...\n");
37          head = (connectionList*)malloc(sizeof(connectionList));
38          head->source_port = sourcePort;
39          head->dest_port = destinationPort;
40          head->connectionStatus = IDLE;
41          return head;
42      }
43      else{
44          connectionList* curr = head;
45          connectionList* prev = NULL;
46          while(curr){
47              if(curr->source_port == sourcePort && curr->dest_port == destinationPort){
48                  return curr;
49              }
50              prev = curr;
51              curr = curr->next;
52          }
53          // printf("New Connection\n");
54          // Adding new node at last and returning it for the handler to update the details
55          printf("No existing record found, creating new record\n");
56          connectionList* newNode = (connectionList*)malloc(sizeof(connectionList));
57          newNode->source_port = sourcePort;
58          newNode->dest_port = destinationPort;
59          newNode->connectionStatus = IDLE;
60          prev->next = newNode;
61          return newNode;
62      }
63  }
64
65  // Performs Handshake for the given SYN PACKET
66  int handshake(tcp_header* syn_packet){
67      printf("Performing Connection\n");
68      tcp_header ack_syn_packet, ack_packet;
69      // Register Connection
70      // Add Sequence number, src_port, dest_port
71      // Send ACK and SYN segment
```

```
72      int server_seqnum = rand();
73      ack_syn_packet = create_tcp_header(syn_packet->dest_port, syn_packet->source_port,
            server_seqnum, (syn_packet->sequence_num + 1), ACK_SYN_PACKET, 0, 0, 0);
74      printf("Sending ACK+SYN packet\n");
75      printTcpHeader(&ack_syn_packet);
76      send_packet(network_fd[1], &ack_syn_packet, sizeof(ack_syn_packet));
77
78      // Receive ACK segment for the SYN request
79      // Open Connection.
80
81      ssize_t receivedPacketSize = receive_packet(network_fd[0], &ack_packet,
            sizeof(ack_packet));
82      if(receivedPacketSize != sizeof(ack_packet)){
83          printf("Packet Lost");
84          return 0;
85      }
86      if(ack_packet.data_offset_flags == ACK_PACKET){
87          printf("Received ACK packet\n");
88          printTcpHeader(&ack_packet);
89          printf("ACK received for Connection with SEQ NUM: %d\n", ack_packet.sequence_num);
90      }
91      return 1;
92  }
93
94  void handleClientReq(void){
95      printf("Handling Client\n");
96      while(true){
97          tcp_header* rxPacket = (tcp_header*)malloc(sizeof(tcp_header));
98          // Listen for incoming requests. Blocking read operation on FIFO
99          ssize_t receivedPacketSize = receive_packet(network_fd[0], rxPacket,
                sizeof(tcp_header));
100         printf("Received:\n");
101         printTcpHeader(rxPacket);
102         // Checking for the record the connection.
103         connectionList* currentConnection = getConnections(rxPacket->source_port,
                rxPacket->dest_port);
104         printf("Connection Record Obtained...\n");
105         print_connectionList(currentConnection);
106         if(currentConnection->connectionStatus == IDLE){
107             // Check for Passive open on the received Destination Port from Client Side.
108
109             if(checkPassiveOpen(currentConnection) && rxPacket->data_offset_flags ==
                    SYN_PACKET){
110                 // Proceed for Handshake
111                 if(handshake(rxPacket)){
112                     // If ACK received for ACK+SYN packet, Open connection
113                     printf("Connection Established for SRC: %d\t DST:
                            %d\n",currentConnection->source_port, currentConnection->dest_port);
114                     currentConnection->connectionStatus = EST;
115                     tcpClientPacket *serverPacket =
                            (tcpClientPacket*)malloc(sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
116                     serverPacket->isData = false;
117                     serverPacket->info = EST;
118                     // Sending Connection Packet to listening process.
```

```
119                 printf("Informing the Server Application at PORT: %d\n",
                        currentConnection->dest_port);
120                 print_tcpClientPacket(serverPacket);
121                 Write(currentConnection->portFd, serverPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
122                 free(serverPacket);
123             }
124             else{
125                 printf("Unable to handshake.\n");
126                 currentConnection->connectionStatus = IDLE;
127             }
128         }
129         else{
130             // Send RST PACKET
131             printf("No Passive Open at PORT: %d, Sending RST Packet\n",
                    currentConnection->dest_port);
132             currentConnection->connectionStatus = RST;
133             tcp_header rst_packet;
134             rst_packet = create_tcp_header(rxPacket->dest_port, rxPacket->source_port, 0,
                    rxPacket->sequence_num + 1, RST_PACKET, 0, 0, 0);
135             send_packet(network_fd[1], &rst_packet, sizeof(tcp_header));
136         }
137     }
138     else if(currentConnection->connectionStatus == EST){
139         if(receivedPacketSize > 20){
140             // Contains Data
141             printf("Data Segment Received.\n");
142             tcpClientPacket* serverPacket =
                    (tcpClientPacket*)malloc(sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
143             serverPacket->info = EST;
144             serverPacket->isData = true;
145             memset(serverPacket->data, 0, BUFSIZ);
146             strcpy(serverPacket->data, rxPacket->data);
147             print_tcpClientPacket(serverPacket);
148             // Send Client Req
149             printf("Relaying it to Server Application at %d\n",
                    currentConnection->dest_port);
150             Write(currentConnection->portFd, serverPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
151
152             memset(serverPacket, 0, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
153
154             // Get response
155             printf("Waiting for Server response.....\n");
156             Read(system_fd, serverPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
157
158             tcp_header* dataSegment = (tcp_header*)malloc(sizeof(tcp_header));
159
160             if(serverPacket->isData){
161                 copyTcpHeader(dataSegment, rxPacket);
162                 memset(dataSegment->data, 0, BUFSIZ);
163                 strcpy(dataSegment->data, serverPacket->data);
164                 printf("Sending the data back to client.\n");
165                 send_packet(network_fd[1], dataSegment, sizeof(tcp_header));
166             }
167             free(dataSegment);
```

```
168                 free(serverPacket);
169             }
170             else if(rxPacket->data_offset_flags == FIN_PACKET){
171                 // Terminate Connection.
172             }
173         }
174         free(rxPacket);
175     }
176 }
177
178 int main(){
179     srand(time(NULL));
180     // Creating two way 'Network' FIFO, emulating NETWORK
181     // BOTH client TCP and server TCP will communicate through NETWORK
182     twoWayFifo(network_fd, NETWORK_FIFO_PATH, O_EXCL, false);
183
184     while(true){
185         printf("Waiting for Server Applications...\n");
186         system_fd = Open(SYSTEM_FIFO_PATH, (O_EXCL | O_RDONLY));
187         handleClientReq();
188     }
189
190     closeTwoWayFifo(network_fd);
191     return 0;
192 }
```

Listing A.2: Server-side TCP Process

A.3 Client Application

```
1  #include "tcp.h"
2
3  #define SYS_FIFO_PATH "clientSide/system.fifo"
4  #define CLIENT_PORT_PATH "clientSide/ports/"
5  #define FILEREQ_PATH "test.txt"
6
7  void connect(uint16_t srcPort, uint16_t dest_port, connections req);
8  int sysFd;
9  int portFd;
10
11 int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
12
13
14     sysFd = Open(SYS_FIFO_PATH, (O_EXCL | O_WRONLY));
15     uint16_t sourcePort = atoi(argv[2]);
16     uint16_t destPort = 80;
17     // printf("I am able to open\n");
18     connect(sourcePort, destPort, REQ);
19
20     // Sending File Address
21     clientReqPacket dataPacket;
22     dataPacket.isData = true;
```

```
23      dataPacket.source_port = sourcePort;
24      dataPacket.dest_port = destPort;
25      if(argc == 0){
26          printf("Enter file path: ");
27          fgets(dataPacket.data, BUFSIZ, stdin);
28      }
29      else{
30          strcpy(dataPacket.data, argv[1]);
31      }
32
33      Write(sysFd, &dataPacket, sizeof(clientReqPacket));
34
35      // File Address Sent
36
37      // Receive Content
38      printf("Waiting for response....\n");
39      ssize_t readBytes;
40      tcpClientPacket *data = (tcpClientPacket*)malloc(sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
41      readBytes = Read(portFd, data, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
42
43      if(data->isData == true){
44          printf("Data Received\n");
45          printf("%s\n", data->data);
46      }
47
48      // Closing PORT fifo
49      Close(portFd);
50      // Closing system.fifo
51      Close(sysFd);
52
53      return 0;
54  }
55
56  void connect(uint16_t srcPort, uint16_t dest_port, connections req){
57      clientReqPacket ctrlPacket;
58
59      ctrlPacket.source_port = srcPort;
60      ctrlPacket.dest_port = dest_port;
61      ctrlPacket.request = req;
62      write(sysFd, &ctrlPacket, sizeof(ctrlPacket));
63
64      char fifoPath[50];
65      sprintf(fifoPath, "%s%d.fifo", CLIENT_PORT_PATH, srcPort);
66      printf("Opening port....\n");
67      portFd = Open(fifoPath,(O_EXCL | O_RDONLY));
68      printf("File Opened...\n");
69      ssize_t readBytes;
70      tcpClientPacket rxPacket;
71      readBytes = Read(portFd, &rxPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
72      printf("Bytes Read: %ld\n", readBytes);
73      print_tcpClientPacket(&rxPacket);
74      // Receiving Control packet
75      if(rxPacket.isData == false){
76          if(rxPacket.info == EST){
```

```
77              printf("Connection Established at Port %d\n", dest_port);
78          }
79          else{
80              printf("No server application on Port: %d", dest_port);
81              exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
82          }
83      }
84  }
```

Listing A.3: Client Process

A.4 Server Application

```
1   #include "tcp.h"
2
3   #define SERVER_PORT_PATH "serverSide/ports/"
4   #define SYSTEM_FIFO_PATH "serverSide/system.fifo"
5
6   int portFd;
7   int sysFd;
8
9   void listen(uint16_t destinationPort){
10      // This shall keep on listening to PORT
11      tcpClientPacket rxPacket;
12      ssize_t readBytes;
13
14      char fifoPath[50];
15      sprintf(fifoPath, "%s%d.fifo", SERVER_PORT_PATH, destinationPort);
16
17      portFd = Open(fifoPath, (O_EXCL | O_RDONLY));
18      printf("Listening on Port %d.....\n", destinationPort);
19      while( (readBytes = Read(portFd, &rxPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket))) > 0){
20          print_tcpClientPacket(&rxPacket);
21          if(rxPacket.info == EST){
22              return;
23          }
24          else{
25              printf("idk...\n");
26          }
27      }
28  }
29
30  int main(){
31
32      sysFd = Open(SYSTEM_FIFO_PATH, (O_EXCL | O_WRONLY));
33
34      printf("File Server is live....\n");
35      uint16_t portNum = 80;
36      while(true){
37          listen(portNum);
38          printf("Connected...\n");
39          while(true){
```

```
40            tcpClientPacket* dataPacket = (tcpClientPacket*)malloc(sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
41            ssize_t readBytes = Read(portFd, dataPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
42            if(dataPacket->isData){
43                printf("File Requested: %s\n", dataPacket->data);
44                size_t len = strlen(dataPacket->data);
45
46                if(dataPacket->data[len-1] == '\n'){
47                    // Removing newline character from the path.
48                    // Since fgets stops read at newline but buffers it.
49                    dataPacket->data[len-1] = '\0';
50                }
51                int filefd;
52                tcpClientPacket* txPacket = (tcpClientPacket*)malloc(sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
53                txPacket->isData = true;
54                memset(txPacket->data, 0, BUFSIZ);
55                if( (filefd = open(dataPacket->data, O_RDONLY)) < 0){
56                    // No such file exists
57                    strcpy(txPacket->data, "No File Exist");
58                    Write(sysFd, txPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
59                }
60                else{
61                    // File exist, read file content and send
62                    Read(filefd, txPacket->data, BUFSIZ);
63                    Write(sysFd, txPacket, sizeof(tcpClientPacket));
64                }
65                free(txPacket);
66                close(filefd);
67            }
68            else{
69                if(dataPacket->info == FIN){
70                    // Connection Termination
71                    // Get out of this loop, no further file request from same client.
72                    break;
73                }
74            }
75        }
76        close(portFd);
77    }
78    close(sysFd);
79    return 0;
80 }
```

Listing A.4: Server Process

A.5 Header File

```
1  #ifndef TCP_H
2
3  #define TCP_H
4  // Libraries
5  #include <stdio.h>
6  #include <stdlib.h>
```

```
7  #include <string.h>
8  #include <stdbool.h>
9  #include <unistd.h>
10 #include <stdint.h>
11 #include <time.h>
12 #include <semaphore.h>
13
14 #include <errno.h>
15 #include <pthread.h>
16 #include <fcntl.h>
17 #include <sys/wait.h>
18 #include <sys/types.h>
19 #include <sys/stat.h>
20
21 // Macros
22 #define NETWORK_FIFO_PATH "net/network"
23 #define FILE_MODE (S_IWUSR | S_IRUSR | S_IRGRP | S_IROTH)
24 #define FIFO_RFLAG (O_RDONLY | O_NONBLOCK | O_EXCL)
25 #define FIFO_WFLAG (O_WRONLY | O_NONBLOCK | O_EXCL)
26
27
28 // TCP DATA OFFSET and FLAGS
29 #define SYN_PACKET ((5 << 12) | (1 << 1))
30 #define ACK_SYN_PACKET ((5 << 12) | (1 << 1) | (1 << 4))
31 #define ACK_PACKET ((5 << 12) | (1 << 4))
32 #define RST_PACKET ((5 << 12) | (1 << 2))
33 #define FIN_PACKET ((5 << 12 ) | (1))
34
35 // Structures
36 typedef enum {CLOSED, EST, FIN, LISTEN, REQ, RST, IDLE} connections;
37
38 // TCP Header Packet
39 typedef struct{
40     uint16_t source_port;      // 16 bits: Source Port
41     uint16_t dest_port;        // 16 bits: Destination Port
42     uint32_t sequence_num;     // 32 bits: Sequence Number
43     uint32_t ack_num;          // 32 bits: Acknowledgment Number
44     uint16_t data_offset_flags; // 16 bits: Data Offset (4 bits) and Control Flags (9 bits)
45     uint16_t window_size;      // 16 bits: Window Size
46     uint16_t checksum;         // 16 bits: Checksum
47     uint16_t urgent_ptr;       // 16 bits: Urgent Pointer
48     char data[BUFSIZ];
49 } tcp_header;
50
51 typedef struct connectionList{
52     uint16_t source_port;
53     uint16_t dest_port;
54     connections connectionStatus;
55     int portFd;    // Write end file descriptor
56     struct connectionList *next;
57 } connectionList;
58
59 typedef struct{
60     uint16_t source_port;
```

```
61      uint16_t dest_port;
62      bool isData;
63      connections request;
64      char data[BUFSIZ];
65  } clientReqPacket;
66
67  typedef struct{
68      char data[BUFSIZ];
69      bool isData;
70      connections info;
71  } tcpClientPacket;
72
73
74
75  // Print funcitons
76  void printTcpHeader(const tcp_header *header);
77  void print_connectionList(connectionList* node);
78  void print_tcpClientPacket(tcpClientPacket* packet);
79  void print_clientReqPacket(clientReqPacket* packet);
80
81
82
83
84  // Wrapper Functions
85  // Wrapper for FIFO
86
87  void Mkfifo(char* _path, mode_t _mode);
88
89  void twoWayFifo(int *fd, char* _path, int _flags, bool isClient);
90
91  void closeTwoWayFifo(int *fd);
92
93  void createTwoWayFifo(char* _path);
94
95  // Wrapper for pipe
96  void Pipe(int *fd);
97
98  void Close(int fd);
99
100 void Write(int fd, const void* buf, size_t nbytes);
101
102 int Open(char *_path, int _oflag);
103
104
105 ssize_t Read(int fd, void* buf, size_t nbytes);
106
107 pid_t Fork();
108
109 pid_t Waitpid(pid_t childPid, int *status_ptr, int options);
110
111
112 // Connection -> Handshake
113
114 tcp_header create_tcp_header(
```

```
115     uint16_t source_port, uint16_t dest_port, uint32_t sequence_num,
116     uint32_t ack_num, uint16_t data_offset_flags, uint16_t window_size,
117     uint16_t checksum, uint16_t urgent_ptr);
118 
119 void send_packet(int fd, tcp_header *packet, size_t packetSize);
120 ssize_t receive_packet(int fd, tcp_header *packet, size_t packetSize);
121 void copyTcpHeader(tcp_header *dest, const tcp_header *src);
122 #endif
```

Listing A.5: TCP.h

```
1  #include "tcp.h"
2  
3  
4  // Wrapper for pipe
5  void Pipe(int *fd){
6  
7      if(pipe(fd) == -1){
8          perror("Error occured while creating Pipe");
9          exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
10     }
11 }
12 
13 int Open(char *_path, int _oflag){
14     int fd;
15 
16     if( (fd = open(_path, _oflag)) == -1){
17         if(errno == 2 && ((_oflag & 1) == 0)){
18             // If FILE does not exist and
19             // attempt was made to Open for Read
20             // Only then create FIFO
21             Mkfifo(_path, FILE_MODE);
22             // Again try to open it.
23             return Open(_path, _oflag);
24         }
25 
26         perror("Error opening file");
27         printf("errno = %d\n", errno);
28         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
29     }
30     return fd;
31 }
32 
33 void Close(int fd){
34     if(close(fd) == -1){
35         perror("Error occured while Close");
36         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
37     }
38 }
39 
40 void Write(int fd, const void* buf, size_t nbytes){
41     if(write(fd, buf, nbytes) == -1){
42         perror("Error occured while Writing");
43         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
```

```
44      }
45  }
46
47  void Mkfifo(char *_path, mode_t _mode){
48      if(mkfifo(_path, _mode) == -1){
49          perror("Error while creating FIFO");
50          exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
51      }
52  }
53
54  void createTwoWayFifo(char* _path){
55      char readFilePath[20];
56      char writeFilePath[20];
57
58      strcpy(readFilePath, _path);
59      strcpy(writeFilePath, _path);
60
61      printf("File paths: %s %s\n",readFilePath, writeFilePath);
62      strcat(readFilePath,".r");
63      strcat(writeFilePath,".w");
64
65      printf("File paths: %s %s\n",readFilePath, writeFilePath);
66
67      // Creating FIFO
68      Mkfifo(readFilePath, FILE_MODE);
69      Mkfifo(writeFilePath, FILE_MODE);
70
71      printf("Created FIFOs\n");
72  }
73
74  void twoWayFifo(int *fd, char* _path, int _flags, bool isClient){
75      char readFilePath[20];
76      char writeFilePath[20];
77
78      strcpy(readFilePath, _path);
79      strcpy(writeFilePath, _path);
80
81      strcat(readFilePath,".r");
82      strcat(writeFilePath,".w");
83      // Creating Read-Write ends and returning the descriptors
84
85      /*
86      -> .r FIFO is client -> read and server -> write
87      -> .w FIFO is client -> write and server -> read
88      */
89      if(isClient){
90          fd[0] = Open(readFilePath, (_flags | O_RDONLY));
91          fd[1] = Open(writeFilePath, (_flags | O_WRONLY));
92      }
93      else{
94          fd[1] = Open(readFilePath, (_flags | O_WRONLY));
95          fd[0] = Open(writeFilePath, (_flags | O_RDONLY));
96      }
97  }
```

```
98
99  void closeTwoWayFifo(int *fd){
100     Close(fd[0]);
101     Close(fd[1]);
102 }
103
104 ssize_t Read(int fd, void* buf, size_t nbytes){
105     ssize_t n;
106
107     if((n = read(fd, buf, nbytes)) == -1){
108         perror("Error occured while Reading");
109         printf("Error No -> %d", errno);
110         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
111     }
112
113     return n;
114 }
115
116 // Wrapper for Processes
117 pid_t Fork(){
118     pid_t pid;
119     if( (pid = fork()) == -1){
120         perror("Error occured while Fork");
121         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
122     }
123     return pid;
124 }
125
126 pid_t Waitpid(pid_t childPid, int *status_ptr, int options){
127     pid_t returnId;
128
129     if((returnId = (childPid, status_ptr, options)) == -1){
130         perror("Error occured while Waitpid");
131         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
132     }
133     return returnId;
134 }
135
136
137
138 // TCP Connection -> 2-way handshake
139
140 tcp_header create_tcp_header(
141     uint16_t source_port, uint16_t dest_port, uint32_t sequence_num,
142     uint32_t ack_num, uint16_t data_offset_flags, uint16_t window_size,
143     uint16_t checksum, uint16_t urgent_ptr) {
144     tcp_header hdr;
145     hdr.source_port = source_port;
146     hdr.dest_port = dest_port;
147     hdr.sequence_num = sequence_num;
148     hdr.ack_num = ack_num;
149     hdr.data_offset_flags = data_offset_flags;
150     hdr.window_size = window_size;
151     hdr.checksum = checksum;
```

```
152     hdr.urgent_ptr = urgent_ptr;
153     return hdr;
154 }
155 
156 void send_packet(int fd, tcp_header *packet, size_t packetSize){
157     Write(fd, packet, packetSize);
158 }
159 
160 ssize_t receive_packet(int fd, tcp_header *packet, size_t packetSize){
161     ssize_t receiveBytes;
162 
163     receiveBytes = Read(fd, packet, packetSize);
164 
165     return receiveBytes;
166 }
167 
168 ////////////////////////////////////////////////////////////
169 
170 void printTcpHeader(const tcp_header *header) {
171     printf("--------------------------------\n");
172     printf("Source Port: %d\n", header->source_port);
173     printf("Destination Port: %d\n", header->dest_port);
174     printf("Sequence Number: %d\n", header->sequence_num);
175     printf("Acknowledgment Number: %d\n", header->ack_num);
176     printf("Data Offset and Control Flags: 0x%x\n", header->data_offset_flags);
177     printf("Window Size: %u\n", header->window_size);
178     printf("Checksum: 0x%d\n", header->checksum);
179     printf("Urgent Pointer: %u\n", header->urgent_ptr);
180     printf("--------------------------------\n");
181 }
182 
183 void copyTcpHeader(tcp_header *dest, const tcp_header *src) {
184     dest->source_port = src->source_port;
185     dest->dest_port = src->dest_port;
186     dest->sequence_num = src->sequence_num;
187     dest->ack_num = src->ack_num;
188     dest->data_offset_flags = src->data_offset_flags;
189     dest->window_size = src->window_size;
190     dest->checksum = src->checksum;
191     dest->urgent_ptr = src->urgent_ptr;
192 }
193 
194 
195 // Print Functions
196 void print_connectionList(connectionList* node){
197     printf("-----------------------------------\n");
198     printf("Connection Record:\n");
199     printf("Source Port: %d\n", node->source_port);
200     printf("Destination Port: %d\n", node->dest_port);
201     printf("port fd: %d\n",node->portFd);
202     printf("Connection Request type: %d\n", node->connectionStatus);
203     printf("-----------------------------------\n");
204 }
205 
```

```
206 void print_tcpClientPacket(tcpClientPacket* packet){
207     printf("--------------------------------\n");
208     printf("Packet from Client_TCP\n");
209     printf("isData: %d\n", packet->isData);
210     printf("Connections Type: %d\n", packet->info);
211     printf("Data -> %s\n", packet->data);
212     printf("--------------------------------\n");
213 }
214
215 void print_clientReqPacket(clientReqPacket* packet){
216     printf("--------------------------------\n");
217     printf("Source Port: %d\n", packet->source_port);
218     printf("Destination Port: %d\n", packet->dest_port);
219     printf("Request: %d\n",packet->request);
220     printf("--------------------------------\n");
221 }
```

Listing A.6: TCP.c