HTTP/1.0 Proxy Server

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Implemented Options

- 1. A Http/1.0 Proxy Server
- 2. Flexibility to provide port number as a command line argument
- 3. Error handling in the form of (Error 500)
- 4. Ability to handle concurrent connections via child processes
- 5. Cap on number of child processes to avoid DDOS attacks

Deployment

1. Build

make

-- Creates a binary named proxy

2. Run

proxy 1234

Starts the proxy server listening on port 1234.

Port number is the first argument and is optional (Defaults to 1234)

- 3. Connection to proxy can be established in multiple ways.
 - Currently working pathways have been listed below
 - A) Configuring proxy in firefox.
 - B) Using proxy extension (omega proxy switcher) in chrome.
 - C) Telnet to connect to proxy and there by make http requests.

Design Choices

- 1. Buffer length 4096 (hence the request is bounded to be 4096)
- 2. Maximum 20 concurrent requests are allowed to the server
- 3. All errors are reformed as Internal Server Errors
- 4. To handle split requests the request end is read as two simultaneous '/r/n'

Tests

1. Currently using the proxy tester.py, only 3 out of 4 cases pass.

```
Binary: proxy
Running on port 22237

### Testing: http://example.com/
http://example.com/: [PASSED]

### Testing: http://sns.cs.princeton.edu/
http://sns.cs.princeton.edu/: [PASSED]

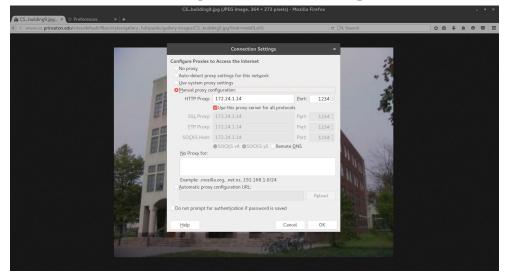
### Testing: http://www.cs.princeton.edu/people/faculty
http://www.cs.princeton.edu/people/faculty: [PASSED]

### Testing: http://www.cs.princeton.edu/sites/default/files/styles/gallery_full/
/public/gallery-images/CS_building9.jpg?itok=meb0LzhS
!!!! Socket error while attempting to talk to proxy!
http://www.cs.princeton.edu/sites/default/files/styles/gallery_full/public/gallery-images/CS_building9.jpg?itok=meb0LzhS: [FAILED]

Summary:

3 of 4 tests passed.
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2. But the fourth case passes successfully in a browser.



3. 500 Internal error for mal formed request

4. Concurrent requests are gracefully handled

```
### Testing 2 concurrent connects to http://example.com/
Connect to http://example.com/, 2 concurrently: [PASSED]

### Testing 10 concurrent connects to http://example.com/
Connect to http://example.com/, 10 concurrently: [PASSED]

### Testing 2 concurrent fetches to http://example.com/
Fetch to http://example.com/, 2 concurrently: [PASSED]

### Testing 10 concurrent fetches to http://example.com/
Fetch to http://example.com/, 10 concurrently: [PASSED]

### Testing 2 concurrent split fetches
Fetch to http://example.com/, 2 concurrently: [PASSED]

### Testing 10 concurrent split fetches
Fetch to http://example.com/, 10 concurrently: [PASSED]
```

5. Apached Benchmars

Only one out of the four benchmarks works on slower networks. In the cse network other pass out too.

```
Failed requests:
   Total transferred:
                         32760 bytes
   HTML transferred:
                         25400 bytes
   Requests per second:
                         1.74 [#/sec] (mean)
                         575.230 [ms] (mean)
   Time per request:
                         575.230 [ms] (mean, across all concurre
   Time per request:
   Transfer rate:
                         2.78 [Kbytes/sec] received
   Connection Times (ms)
   min mean[+/-sd] median max
                0 0 0.0
                                         0
   Connect:
                                 0
   Processing:
                543 575 21.4
                                576
                                        636
                543 575 21.4
                                576
   Waiting:
                                       636
   Total:
                543 575 21.4
                                576
                                        636
   Percentage of the requests served within a certain time (ms)
   50%
         576
   66%
         580
   75%
         588
   80%
        591
   90%
        604
   95%
        636
   98%
        636
   99%
         636
          636 (longest request)
   100%
http://example.com/ with args -n 20 -c 1: [PASSED]
```

Anamolies

- 1. To pass the $4^{\rm th}$ case, adding a wait helps after sending
- $2.\ 10/13$ cases pass in the 2^{nd} script

```
636 (longest request)
http://example.com/ with args -n 20 -c 1: [PASSED]
### Testing apache benchmark on args [-n 200 -c 10]
   This is ApacheBench, Version 2.3 <$Revision: 1706008 $>
   Copyright 1996 Adam Twiss, Zeus Technology Ltd, http://www.zeust
   Licensed to The Apache Software Foundation, http://www.apache.or
   Benchmarking example.com [through 127.0.0.1:30091] (be patient)
   Completed 100 requests
   apr_pollset_poll: The timeout specified has expired (70007)
   Total of 101 requests completed
http://example.com/ with args -n 200 -c 10: [FAILED]
### Testing apache benchmark on args [-n 1000 -c 50]
   This is ApacheBench, Version 2.3 <$Revision: 1706008 $>
   Copyright 1996 Adam Twiss, Zeus Technology Ltd, http://www.zeust
   Licensed to The Apache Software Foundation, http://www.apache.or
   Benchmarking example.com [through 127.0.0.1:30092] (be patient)
   apr_pollset_poll: The timeout specified has expired (70007)
http://example.com/ with args -n 1000 -c 50: [FAILED]
Summary:
        Type multi-process: 10 of 13 tests passed.
```