DGMT Protocol Specification Revision 1.1.0.0

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1 Naming conventions

In this paper, packet structures for the DGMT protocol will be described in detail. We will employ the following types of terms:

- data_type: the following data types will be employed:
 - byte: an ordered collection of 8 bits.
 - int: an integer of unspecified precision. We will employ both the decimal [0-9]+ and hexadecimal 0x[0-9A-F]+ notations in this paper.
 Implentors's note: implementors are free to choose how they store integer data, as long as the precision employed is enough to represent the whole set
 - of expectable values.

 bool: a boolean, whose value can be either 1 or 0.
 - ustring: a finite sequence of characters from the Unicode character set.
- DATA_ENCODING: a byte encoding of a given data_type.
- CONSTANT_VALUE: a constant byte value, used to distinguish different message types or answers.
- variable: a variable used to store sensitive protocol data.

We will refer to the value NULL to refer to either the 0x00 byte or the empty ustring.

1.1 Encodings

We define the following data encodings:

- BYTE: data is taken as "is", a byte array is formed.
- INTEGER: a big-endian integer encoding of an *int*. The actual interpretation depends on the number of bytes employed.

- BOOLEAN: an encoding for a *bool*. Any non zero value represents 1, while a zero value stands for 0. If more than 1 byte is used, a *bool* array is formed.
- STRING: a ASCII encoding for *ustring*, using an arbitrary number of bytes.
- USTRING: a UTF-8 encoding for ustring, using an arbitrary number of bytes.
- ARRAY: an encoding for an array of arbitrary data. Individual data has particular encoding, and this data is concatenated at the byte level to form an array. The size of an ARRAY usually refers to the number of elements present in it.
- ASN.1: Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1) is a standard and flexible notation that describes data structures. ASN.1 is specified in ITU X.690.

Implementor's note: STRING can actually be interpreted as a USTRING without any loss of data. The reason we define the former is so that we can specify the kind of information we expect to have, although this should be done at a higher level of abstraction.

2 Overview

The DGMT protocol defines how a MindTris client can communicate with a MindTris server. Clients must maintain the following state information for each server it connects to:

• server_pub_key: The server's public RSA key. Used by the client in communications where secret transmission of data is necessary. The default value is NULL.

The client keeps track of the current status of the client/server connection. This could be whether the client has logged in, is in a game, etc. It should include information such as following:

- connected: Whether or not the client has received a positive handshake answer from the server. Defaults as 0.
- logged_on: Whether or not the client has successfully authenticated itself as a certain user existing in the server's database. Defaults as 0.
- user: The user the client has authenticated as. Defaults as NULL.
- lobby: The id of the lobby the user has joined. Defaults as NULL.
- am_playing: Whether or not the user is in a game. Defaults as 0.

Conversely, server must maintain state information from each client it's connected to. This should include, **connected**, **logged_on**, **user**, **lobby** and **am_playing**. Additionally, it will include the client's public key (**client_pub_key**), which will be used for communications between peers to authenticate their messages. This key defaults as NULL.

3 Client-Server messages

All packets sent between the server and the client must be structured as follows:

Na	ame	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Pr	otocol	STRING	4	"DGMT"	Default protocol identifier.
Siz	ze	INTEGER	2		The size of the message in bytes, including
					the header.
Pa	yload	BYTE	varies		The content of this field will vary depending
					on the type of message.

3.1 Hello

This message is the first message in the handshake between the server and the client. The client will first send a <code>HELLO_FROM_CLIENT</code> message to the server, who in turn should answer with a <code>HELLO_FROM_SERVER</code> message.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x00	This identifies the message as
				HELLO_FROM_CLIENT.
Protocol	INTEGER	4	1.1.0.0	Protocol/Client version; the format is
Version				XX.XX.XX.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x80	This identifies the message as
				HELLO_FROM_SERVER.
Server An-	INTEGER	1	N/A	Server's response. Must be one of
swer				the following: $0x00$ (SUCCESS), $0x01$
				(WRONG_PROTOCOL_VERSION), 0x02
				(UNKNOWN_ERROR).
Server	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the Server Public Key field.
Public Key				
Size				
Server	ASN.1	varies	N/A	The server's public key, used for transmission
Public Key				of secret data from the client to the server.
				The expected format is X.509: Public-key
				and attribute certificate frameworks.
Message	USTRING	varies	N/A	A human readable message from the server to
				the client. This could be a welcome message,
				if the Server Answer was SUCCESS, or a few
				details about the error that occurred.

If the server answers SUCCESS, the client will store the server's public key in its server_pub_key variable. Additionally the state variable connected is set to 1. Any other messages exchanged between the server and the client assume that connected is 1.

3.2 Keep alive

Clients regularly send a message with an empty Payload to the server from the moment they received a <code>HELLO_FROM_SERVER</code> . They are expected to do so every 60 seconds, otherwise the server will drop the connection, and terminate any ongoing transactions with the client.

3.3 User creation

By this process, a client can create a user to be stored in the server's database. The client will first send a CREATE_USER message to the server, who in turn should answer with a USER_CREATION message.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x01	This identifies the message as CREATE_USER.
Encrypted User Info	BYTE	varies	N/A	We will describe this content below.

The Encrypted User Info field should contain the following data, encrypted with the RSAES-OAEP (RSA Encryption Scheme - Optimal Asymmetric Encryption Padding) (SHA-1) scheme, using server_pub_key.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Username	INTEGER	1	15	The size of the Username field.
Size				
Username	USTRING	varies	N/A	A name used to login.
Display	INTEGER	1	255	The size of the Display Name field.
Name Size				
Display	USTRING	varies	N/A	A name that will be displayed to other users.
Name				
Email Size	INTEGER	2	320	The size of the Email field. This value cannot
				be greater than 320.
Email	STRING	varies	N/A	An email address, used to recover a lost pass-
				word.
Password	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Password field.
Size				
Password	STRING	varies	N/A	The password that will be used to login.

Valid usernames must match <code>[A-Za-z][A-Za-z0-9_.\-]*</code>, and valid password must match

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Response:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x81	This identifies the message as
				USER_CREATION.
Answer	BYTE	1	N/A	
				• 0x00: the user has been created with success.
				• 0x01: this username already exists.
				• 0x02: invalid username.
				• 0x03: invalid password.
				• 0x04: invalid email.

3.4 Login

By this process, a client can login as a user present in the server's database. The client will first send a LOGIN message to the server, who in turn should answer with a LOGIN_REPLY message.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x02	This identifies the message as LOGIN.
Encrypted	BYTE	varies	N/A	We will describe this content below.
User Login				
Info				

The Encrypted User Login Info field should contain the following data, encrypted with the RSAES-OAEP (SHA-1) scheme, using server_pub_key.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Username	INTEGER	1	15	The size of the Username field.
Size				
Username	USTRING	varies	N/A	A name used to login.
Password	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Password field.
Size				
Password	STRING	varies	N/A	The password that will be used to login.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x82	This identifies the message as LOGIN_REPLY.
Answer	BYTE	1	N/A	
				• 0x00: login success.
				• 0x01: username does not exist.
				• 0x02: bad username/password.
				• 0x03: too many tries, try again later.
				• 0x04: login success, but another instance was disconnected elsewhere.
Answer	BYTE	varies	N/A	The content of this field is determined by the
Payload		, , , , ,	1,/11	Answer field.

When Answer is equal to 0x00, the Answer Payload field will contain the data structure below. It should be empty otherwise.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Display	INTEGER	1	255	The size of the Display Name field.
Name Size				
Display	USTRING	varies	N/A	The user's name that is displayed to others.
Name				

Normally, the server will only give a success response if the username and password provided by the client match in the server's database. The variable <code>logged_on</code> is set to 1 and <code>user</code> is set to the provided username on both the server and the client.

3.5 Lobby Creation

By this process, a user can create a lobby. This is only possible if logged_on is set to 1.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x03	This identifies the message as CREATE_LOBBY.
Lobby	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Lobby Name field.
Name Size				
Lobby	USTRING	varies	N/A	The name of the lobby to be created.
Name				
Has Pass-	BOOLEAN	1	0	Whether or not the lobby will require a pass-
word				word.
Encrypted	BYTE	varies	N/A	This field is empty if the Has Password field
Lobby				contains 0.
Password				

The Encrypted Lobby Password field, if provided, should contain the following data, encrypted with the RSA-OAEP (SHA-1) scheme, using server_pub_key.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Password	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Password field.
Size				
Password	STRING	varies	N/A	The password that will requested to join the
				lobby.

Note that a valid password must match

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Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x83	This identifies the message as LOBBY_CREATION.
Answer	ВҮТЕ	1	N/A	 0x00: lobby created with success. 0x01: invalid password. 0x02: you do not have enough rights create a lobby.
Lobby ID	INTEGER	4	N/A	An ID generated by the server for the lobby than has been created. If Answer wasn't 0x00, then this value is 0x00 (NULL). Otherwise, this value should be generated so that all current available lobbies have unique IDs.
Session ID	INTEGER	8	N/A	This lobby's session's ID. Used in peer-to- peer messages to prevent clients from reusing signed packets. This is different from lobby ID in the sense that a Session ID is required to be unpredictable, while lobby IDs can be generated for efficient retrieval of lobby lists.

3.6 Lobby List Retrieval

Users might want to know the list of available lobbies. This is only possible if $logged_on$ is set to 1.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comm	ent			
Type	INTEGER	1	0x04	This	identifies	the	message	as
				GET_L(DBBY_LIST.			

Response:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x84	This identifies the message as LOBBY_LIST.
Lobby List	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Lobby List array (number of
Size				elements).
Lobby List	ARRAY	varies	N/A	An array of Lobby data, described below.

The Lobby List contains an array with the following data structure:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Lobby ID	INTEGER	4	NULL	The lobby ID.
Player	INTEGER	1	N/A	The number of players present in the lobby.
Count				
Player	INTEGER	1	N/A	The maximum number of players allowed.
Allowed				
Count				
Password	BOOLEAN	1	0	Whether or not this lobby requires a pass-
Protected				word to join.
Creator	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Creator field.
Size				
Creator	USTRING	varies	N/A	The display name of the creator of this lobby.

3.7 Joining a lobby

Users can decide to join a particular lobby. This is only possible if $logged_on$ is set to 1.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x05	This identifies the message as JOIN_LOBBY.
Lobby ID	INTEGER	4	NULL	The lobby ID.
Password	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Password field.
Size				
Password	STRING	varies	N/A	The lobby's password.
Port num-	INTEGER	2	N/A	The client's TCP listen port number, used
ber				for communication between peers.
Client's	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the Client's Public Key field.
Public Key				
Size				
Client's	ASN.1	varies	N/A	The client's public key, used to sign peer-
Public Key				to-peer messages. The expected format is
				X.509: Public-key and attribute certificate
				frameworks.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x85	This identifies the message as JOINED_LOBBY.
Answer	BYTE	1	N/A	
				• 0x00: joined lobby with success.
				• 0x01: wrong password
				• 0x02: unknown error
Answer	BYTE	varies	N/A	The content of this field is determined by the
Payload		varies	IV/A	Answer field.

When Answer is equal to 0x00, the Answer Payload field will contain the data structure below. It should be empty otherwise.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Session ID	INTEGER	8	N/A	This lobby's session's ID. Used in peer-to-
				peer messages to prevent clients from reusing
				signed packets. This is different from lobby
				ID in the sense that a Session ID is required
				to be unpredictable, while lobby IDs can be
				generated for efficient retrieval of lobby lists.
Client List	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Client List array (number of
Size				elements).
Client List	ARRAY	varies	N/A	An array of clients currently present in the
				lobby, described below.

The Client List array should implement the following data structure:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Client ID	INTEGER	1	N/A	The client's unique Id for this lobby. Used to
				identify clients during the game.
Display	INTEGER	1	255	The size of the Display Name field.
Name Size				
Display	USTRING	varies	N/A	The name used by the client.
Name				
IP Address	INTEGER	4	N/A	The client's IPv4 address, as described in
				RFC 791.
Port num-	INTEGER	2	N/A	The client's TCP listen port number, used
ber				for communication between peers.
Client's	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the Client's Public Key field.
Public Key				
Size				
Client's	ASN.1	varies	N/A	The client's public key, used to sign peer-
Public Key				to-peer messages. The expected format is
				X.509: Public-key and attribute certificate
				frameworks.

3.8 Leaving a Lobby

A user can decide to leave a lobby. In this case, it sends the following message to the server:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x06	This identifies the message as LEAVE_LOBBY.

3.9 Kicking a user

The user who created the lobby can decide to kick another user. This message has to be sent:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comm	ent			
Type	INTEGER	1	0x07	This	identifies	the	message	as
				KICK_U	JSER_FROM_LO	DBBY.		
Client ID	INTEGER	1	N/A	The II	of the client	who w	ill be kicked.	

3.10 Update client lobby status

The server is supposed to notify clients in a lobby of any status updates from other clients joining, leaving or being kicked from the lobby. The server sends this message to all present clients, including the one whose status been updated, if it happens to have been kicked or left the lobby.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x88	This identifies the message as
				UPDATE_CLIENT_STATUS.
Client ID	INTEGER	1	N/A	The ID of the client whose status has been
				updated.
Status Up-	BYTE	1	N/A	
date				• 0x00: has joined the lobby
				• 0x01: has left the lobby
				• 0x02: has been kicked from the lobby
Status	BYTE	varies	N/A	Depending on the type of Status Update, the
Payload			1./11	content of this field will differ.

When Status Update is equal to 0x00, the following information is included in the Status Payload field:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Display	INTEGER	1	255	The size of the Display Name field.
Name Size				
Display	USTRING	varies	N/A	The name used by the joining client.
Name				
IP Address	INTEGER	4	N/A	The joining client's IPv4 address, as de-
				scribed in RFC 791.
Port num-	INTEGER	2	N/A	The joining client's TCP listen port number,
ber				used for communication between peers.
Client's	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the Client's Public Key field.
Public Key				
Size				
Client's	ASN.1	varies	N/A	The joining client's public key, used to sign
Public Key				peer-to-peer messages. The expected format
				is X.509: Public-key and attribute certificate
				frameworks.

When the Status Update is equal to 0x01 or 0x02, clients are expected to terminate the connection they have with the corresponding peer.

3.11 Starting a game

Users having created a lobby can choose to start a game.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x10	This identifies the message as START_GAME.

Response:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x90	This identifies the message as
				GAME_STARTING.
Answer	BYTE	1	N/A	
				• 0x00: engaging with game start procedures.

The server's answer is only interesting when an unknown error is triggered. Otherwise, a correct game start procedure will force the server into telling every client to start loading a game, a message we will describe in the next section.

3.12 Loading a game

The server can request clients having joined a certain lobby to start loading a game. Games can take a certain amount of time to allocate resources in a given client, which is why we expect clients to take some time before they give an answer to the server. Additionally, server includes first pieces to be played during the game.

Request:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x91	This identifies the message as LOAD_GAME.
First	INTEGER	1	10	The size of the First Pieces field.
Pieces				
Array Size				
First	ARRAY	varies	N/A	An array including the IDs of the first pieces
Pieces				being played, each of them is encoded as 1-
				byte INTEGER.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x11	This identifies the message as LOADED_GAME.
Answer	BYTE	1	N/A	
				 0x00: loaded game, connected to all peers 0x01: can't connect to certain peers
Answer	BYTE	varies	N/A	The content of this field is determined by the
Payload				Answer field.

When Answer is equal to 0x01, the Answer Payload field will contain the data structure below. It should be empty otherwise.

Name		Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Client I	D	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Client ID Array.
Array Siz	е				
Client I	D	ARRAY	varies	N/A	The Client IDs of each of peer the client
Array					couldn't connect to. Each of these is rep-
					resented as a 1-byte INTEGER.

3.13 Beginning of a game

The server, once it received a successful LOADED_GAMEanswer from all connected players, will decide as to the beginning of a game. It will simply send this message to all of them:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x92	This identifies the message as BEGIN_GAME.

3.14 Obtaining new pieces

The server is responsible for telling each player about the next pieces to be played. It can do so any time it wishes. For this purpose, this message is sent to each client:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x93	This identifies the message as NEW_PIECES.
Piece	INTEGER	4	N/A	The number of the first piece in the Pieces
Number				array.
Offset				
Pieces Ar-	INTEGER	1	10	The size of the Pieces field.
ray Size				
Pieces	ARRAY	varies	N/A	An array including the IDs of the new pieces,
				each of them is encoded as 1-byte INTEGER.

Additionally, clients can encourage the server to do so:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x13	This identifies the message as
				GIVE_NEW_PIECES.
Piece	INTEGER	4	N/A	The number of the first piece requested.
Number				
Offset				
Piece Re-	INTEGER	1	N/A	The number of pieces requested.
quested				
Number				

Reaction by the server to this message is done at the server's discretion.

3.15 End of a game

Clients send the results of a game to the server when it finishes:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x14	This identifies the message as GAME_END.
Results	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Results field.
Array Size				
Results	ARRAY	varies	N/A	An array of results for each different client.

The Results array will include the following:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Client ID	INTEGER	1	N/A	The ID of the client whose result is from.
Winning	INTEGER	1	N/A	Ranks determine the order at which players
Rank				lost. The player who ultimately won should
				be rank 1. Players whose rank can't be de-
				termined should be rank 0.
Score	INTEGER	4	N/A	The score of the client at the end of the game.

4 Peer-to-Peer messages

Peer-to-peer messages work inherently different from Server/Client messages. Unlike the former, peer-to-peer do not follow a request-response pattern.

All packets sent between the peers must be structured as follows:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Protocol	STRING	4	"DGMTP2P"	Default protocol identifier.
Size	INTEGER	2		The size of the message in bytes, including
				the header.
Payload	BYTE	varies		The content of this field will vary depending
				on the type of message.

Basically, clients are expected to connect to each other the moment they join a lobby. The client having joined first must initiate the connection. They must use the TCP port each individual peer is listening to, as provided by the server. Before they engage in any conversation, they must go through a handshake phase.

4.1 Handshake

During this phase, peers must exchange the following messages.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x00	This identifies the message as
				HELLO_FROM_PEER
Client ID	INTEGER	1	N/A	The client's unique Id for the lobby.
Lobby ID	INTEGER	4	NULL	The lobby ID the peers are connected to.

Once both peers exchange these messages, they assume that they are talking to the peer that matches the client ID provided in the message they receive. Lobby IDs must also match. Since all subsequent messages will be signed, authentication isn't necessary during this phase.

4.2 Chat

Chat messages don't rely on the server for transmission. They are sent directly to each peer.

Chat Message:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x01	This identifies the message as CHAT_SEND.
Signature	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the signature field in bytes.
Size				
Signature	BYTE	varies	N/A	The client's RSA signature for the Message
				field, described by the RSASSA-PSS (RSA
				Signature Scheme with Appendix - Proba-
				bilistic Signature Scheme).
Chat	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the Chat Message field.
Message				
Length				
Chat Mes-	USTRING	varies	N/A	A chat message sent by the peer we are con-
sage				nected to.

4.3 Game Round packets

Most importantly, peers are supposed to send each other packets for each round that has been played. Rounds happen every 100ms.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x02	This identifies the message as ROUND.
Signature	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the signature field in bytes.
Size				
Signature	BYTE	varies	N/A	The client's RSA signature for the Round
				Data field, described by the RSASSA-PSS
				(RSA Signature Scheme with Appendix -
				Probabilistic Signature Scheme).
Round	BYTE	varies	N/A	The data about the round, this is described
Data				below.

Round Data include a bunch of gameplay dependent data.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Session ID	INTEGER	8	N/A	The lobby's session's ID. This makes reusing
				of old signed packets harder.
Round	INTEGER	4	N/A	The round number. Games start at round
Number				number 0, and this number increases by 1
				for each subsequent round.
Moves Ar-	INTEGER	1	N/A	The round number. Games start at round
ray Size				number 0, and this number increases by 1
				for each subsequent round.
Moves	ARRAY	varies	N/A	An array of moves the player has made dur-
				ing the round.
Round	INTEGER	1	N/A	The size of the Round Data Hashes field.
Data				
Hashes				
Array Size				
Round	ARRAY	varies	N/A	An array of peer hashes, this is described
Data				next.
Hashes				

The Moves array will include the following:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Move Time	INTEGER	4	N/A	The time in milliseconds of the move being
Stamp				executed.
Piece	INTEGER	4	N/A	The number of the piece being moved.
Number				Games start with piece number 0, and this
				number increases by 1 for each new piece that
				comes.
Piece Ori-	INTEGER	1	N/A	The orientation of the piece. The default
entation				piece position is 0x00, and this number in-
				creases by 1 each time the piece is rotated in
				a clockwise fashion.
Piece X	INTEGER	1	N/A	The X offset of the location where the piece
Offset				has been dropped.
Piece Y	INTEGER	1	N/A	The Y offset of the location where the piece
Offset				has been dropped.

The Round Data Hashes array should include the following information for each player present in the game.

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Client ID	INTEGER	1	N/A	The client ID of the peer whose hash is from.
Round	BYTE	20	N/A	The SHA-1 hash of the Round Data field sent
Data Hash				by the above client.

4.4 Keep alive

Peers regularly send each other a message with an empty Payload to the server from the moment they established a connection. They are expected to do so every 60 seconds.

4.5 Relaying

It is possible for peers connected to the same lobby to relay messages between each other. This can be useful when the peer-to-peer network is a ring of a tree. For this purpose, they use the following message structure:

From Message:

Name	Encoding	Size (B)	Default	Comment
Type	INTEGER	1	0x04	This identifies the message as MESSAGE_FROM.
From	INTEGER	1	N/A	The ID of the client whose the message comes
Client ID				from.
Message	INTEGER	2	N/A	The size of the Message field.
Length			·	
Message	BYTE	varies	N/A	A DGMTP2P message, which includes the
				header.