

**CS425: Computer Networks**  
**IIT Kanpur**  
**Project1: Designing a Server with Persistent Connection**  
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**List of implemented options:**

1. Allow the server port to be initialized at start up, via commandline
2. Include the Date and Server fields in the Response message header.

## **List and brief discussion of optional features:**

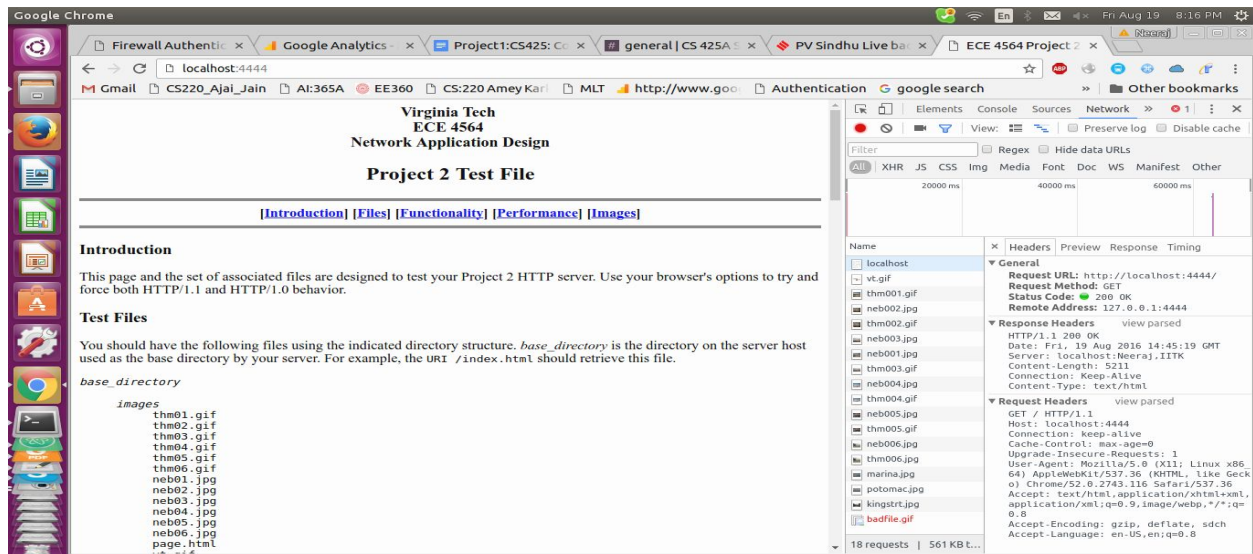
- 1. Allow the server port to be initialized at start up, via commandline**
  - a. Port number has to be provided from command line i.e. `./http-server port_no` e.g. `http-server 5432`
  - b. I am reading this port number in main function using `argv[]`
- 2. Include the Date and Server fields in the Response message header.**
  - a. I am using `<time.h>` header file to send current time and date in GMT to response header
  - b. I am also sending the response in server field

Fig. Below figure has been taken from the browser chrome

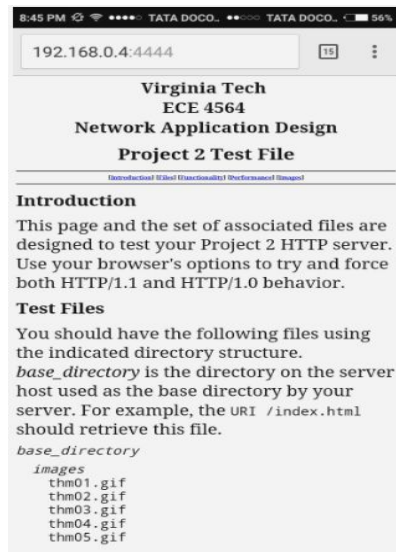


## Testing Results:

- After compiling and running the server on terminal, i tested with Chrome, Firefox browsers and also on Mobile phone
- I opened the server link with it's port number i.e. localhost:port/ to open index.html
- I opened localhost:4444/ and index.html file came as shown in below image
- I also checked the content of both request and response header and it was same as expected, also shown in below image



- On mobile the output was as shown below:



- I checked all the links hyperlinked on index.html and except directory listing(which is extra)

The screenshot shows a Google Chrome browser window with multiple tabs. The active tab is displaying a test page at `localhost:4444`. The page contains a list of instructions for testing various file types and methods:

4. The following link should load a JPEG file (which happens to be NEB 261 in its infancy): [neb005.jpg](#).
5. The following link should load a GIF file: [thm001.gif](#).
6. The following link should load a PDF file: [pdf\\_sample.pdf](#).
7. The following link should load a text file: [text\\_sample.txt](#).
8. If you implemented a directory listing option, the following link should return a listing of the images directory: [images directory listing](#). If you provide a hyperlinked directory, clicking on each file name should load the image.
9. This is a [bad link](#).
10. If you implemented optional support for the POST method, use the following file for testing: [post\\_test.html](#).
11. At this point, the only suggestion for testing the optional support for the HEAD method is to use the Castalia Socket Tester or igo's Connecting Sockets to generate a HEAD request.

Below the instructions, there is a section titled "Embedded Images" with the text "16 good images and one image that cannot be loaded should appear below." and the Virginia Tech logo. Further down, there is a section titled "New Engineering Building Construction Scenes" with several small image thumbnails.

On the right side of the browser window, the Network developer tool is open, showing a list of 18 requests. The requests include various files like `vt.gif`, `neb001.jpg`, `thm001.gif`, `neb002.jpg`, `neb003.jpg`, `thm002.gif`, `neb004.jpg`, `thm004.gif`, `neb005.jpg`, `thm005.gif`, `neb006.jpg`, `thm006.jpg`, `marina.jpg`, `potomac.jpg`, `kingstr.jpg`, and `badfile.gif`. The status of each request is shown as "200 OK" or "404 Not Found".

Note: More screenshots are attached in Appendix

## **Appendix:**

### **Sourcefile Code:**

```
/* Server Program in which port number is provided at the terminal */

#include <stdio.h>                /*libraries*/
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/types.h>            //contains definitions of data types used in system call
#include <sys/socket.h>           //definition needed for socket structures
#include <netinet/in.h>           //contains values of constants used in defition of Internet Domain Addresses
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdio>
#include<strings.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <time.h>
#include <string>

#define BUF_SIZE 8192            //Buffer size
#define conf_file "Initial.conf"
using namespace std;

char root[200], extra[200] ;

int status_code,content_length;   //Initialization of variables
string content_type;
socklen_t clien;
int sockfd, newsockfd, portno;    //variables for socket and port no
struct sockaddr_in serv_addr, cli_addr; //data structure to store internet addresses

string date_time_header(void){    // function for getting current time

    char buf[1000];
    time_t now = time(0);
    struct tm tm = *gmtime(&now);
    strftime(buf, sizeof buf, "%a, %d %b %Y %H:%M:%S %Z", &tm);
    string str = string(buf);
    str="Date: "+str+"\r\n";
    std::cout << str << std::endl;
    return str;
}
```

```

size_t getFileSize(const char* filename) {           //function for getting file size of local file
    struct stat st;
    if(stat(filename, &st) != 0) {
        return 0;
    }
    return st.st_size;
}

```

```

void file_length(FILE *file){                       //function for getting file length
    fseek (file, 0, SEEK_END);                     //take the file pointer to last of text file
    content_length=ftell(file);                    //find the file length
    std::cout << "content_length:" <<content_length << std::endl;
    fseek (file, 0, SEEK_SET);
}

```

```

void type_of_content(string fn){                   //function for getting content type
    if(fn.substr(fn.find_last_of(".") + 1) == "html")
        content_type="Content-Type: text/html\r\n";
    else if(fn.substr(fn.find_last_of(".") + 1) == "htm")
        content_type="Content-Type: text/html\r\n";
    else if(fn.substr(fn.find_last_of(".") + 1) == "txt")
        content_type="Content-Type: text/plain\r\n";
    else if(fn.substr(fn.find_last_of(".") + 1) == "jpeg")
        content_type="Content-Type: image/jpeg\r\n";
    else if(fn.substr(fn.find_last_of(".") + 1) == "jpg")
        content_type="Content-Type: image/jpeg\r\n";
    else if(fn.substr(fn.find_last_of(".") + 1) == "gif")
        content_type="Content-Type: image/gif\r\n";
    else if(fn.substr(fn.find_last_of(".") + 1) == "pdf")
        content_type="Content-Type: Application/pdf\r\n";
    else content_type="Content-Type: text/html\r\n";
    std::cout << content_type << std::endl;
}

```

```

string status_msg(int status_code){                //function for status msg
    switch (status_code) {
        case 200: return "200 OK\r\n";
        case 400: return "400 Bad Request\r\n";
        case 404: return "404 Not Found\r\n";
        case 500: return "500 Internal Server Error\r\n";
        case 501: return "501 Not Implemented\r\n";
        default: return "200 OK\r\n";
    }
}

```

```

void send_response_header_404(void){               //header response
    status_code=404;
    string http_version="HTTP/1.1 ";
    string status=status_msg(status_code);
    string headers;
}

```

```

string dateTime=date_time_header();
string server="Server: localhost:Neeraj,IITK\r\n";
headers=http_version+status+dateTime+server+"\r\n";

char Headers[4024] ;
memset(Headers, '\0', sizeof(Headers));
std::string::size_type i;
for( i=0;i < headers.size(); ++i) {
    Headers[i]=headers[i];
}
//printf("%s\n", Headers);
write(newsockfd,Headers,strlen(Headers));
}

void send_response_header(void){           //header response
    status_code=200;
    string http_version="HTTP/1.1 ";
    string status=status_msg(status_code);
    char buf[50];
    sprintf(buf, "%d", content_length);
    string ContentLength="Content-Length: "+string(buf)+"\r\n";
    string connection_typ="Connection: Keep-Alive\r\n";
    string headers;
    string server="Server: localhost:Neeraj,IITK\r\n";
    string dateTime=date_time_header();
    headers=http_version+status+dateTime+server+ContentLength+connection_typ+content_type+"\r\n";
    std::cout << content_type << std::endl;
    std::cout << headers << std::endl;
    char Headers[4024] ;
    memset(buf, '\0', sizeof(buf)) ;
    memset(Headers, '\0', sizeof(Headers));
    std::string::size_type i;
    for( i=0;i < headers.size(); ++i) {
        Headers[i]=headers[i];
    }
    //printf("%s\n", Headers);
    cout <<strlen(Headers) <<endl;
    write(newsockfd,Headers,strlen(Headers));
}

FILE * file_open(string filename){           //function to open file
    FILE *f;
    if (filename=="/") {
        f = fopen ("index.html", "rb");           //open the file and give handle to file pointer f
        return f;
    }
    else if(filename.back()=='/'){
        filename=filename+"index.html";
        filename.erase(0,1);
        f = fopen (filename.c_str(), "rb");           //open the file and give handle to file pointer f
    }
}

```

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    if(f==NULL) std::cout << "file not opened" << std::endl;
    return f;

}
else{
    filename.erase(0,1);
    //std::cout << filename << std::endl;
    f = fopen (filename.c_str(), "rb"); //open the file and give handle to file pointer f
    if(f==NULL) std::cout << "file not opened" << std::endl;
    return f;
}
}

void error(const char *err) //error msg printing
{
    perror(err);
    exit(1);
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[]) //main function and port number is taken in its argument
{
    char buffer[BUF_SIZE]; //acts as a buffer
    int n;
    sockfd = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0); //sys call to create a new socket for TCP connection
    if (sockfd < 0) error("socket creation error\n"); //error for unsuccessful creation of socket
    bzero((char *) &serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr)); //initialises serv_addr to zero on calling bzero() function
    portno = atoi(argv[1]); //extracting port number in numerical form
    serv_addr.sin_family = AF_INET; //assigning values to serv_addr which is a structure of type
sockaddr_in; AF_INET is a symbolic constant
    serv_addr.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY; //symbolic constant INADDR_ANY, gets IP address of
server machine
    serv_addr.sin_port = htons(portno); //htons convert host byte order to network byte order
    if (bind(sockfd, (struct sockaddr *) &serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr)) < 0) error("ERROR on binding");
//binding socket to a address and error msg if failed to bind
    listen(sockfd,10); //it allows the system to listen for connections
    clien = sizeof(cli_addr);

    static int counter=0;
    int pid;
    while(1){ //once connected go in infinite loop for connecting with client
        newsockfd = accept(sockfd, (struct sockaddr *) &cli_addr, &clilen); //blocking the process unless a client
connects to server
        if ((pid = fork()) == -1){
            close(newsockfd);
            continue;
        }
        else if(pid>0){
            close(newsockfd);
            counter++;
            printf("here2:%d\n",pid);
        }
    }
}

```



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        continue;

    }
    else if(pid==0){
        printf("hereChild:%d\n",pid);
        bzero(buffer,BUF_SIZE);          //clearing the buffer to read file name from client side
        n = read(newsockfd,buffer,BUF_SIZE);
        if (n <= 0) error("ERROR reading from socket");

        //printf("File Name You are searching For:\n%s",buffer );          //printing the file name

        char * pch;
        pch = strtok (buffer, " ");
        string request[100];
        int req_word_no=0;
        while (pch != NULL)
        {
            request[req_word_no]=pch;
            req_word_no++;
            pch = strtok (NULL, " ");
        }
        bzero(buffer,BUF_SIZE);
        FILE * f;
        string filename;
        filename=request[1];
        type_of_content(filename);
        f=file_open(filename);
        if(f==NULL){          //if file name is invalid or file doesn't open send error acknowledgement as "0" to
client
            //n = write(newsockfd,"-1",sizeof("-1"));
            std::cout << "In main: File is NULL\n" << std::endl;
            send_response_header_404();
            close(newsockfd);
            break;
        }
        file_length(f);
        std::cout << "In main:" << content_type << std::endl;
        std::cout << "In main:\nsending Headers" << std::endl;
        send_response_header();
        fseek (f, 0, SEEK_SET); //take file pointer to initial point
        while (!feof(f)) {          //send file one packet at a time
            bzero(buffer,BUF_SIZE);
            int bytes_read=fread (buffer, 1, BUF_SIZE, f);
            int bytes_sent=send(newsockfd, buffer, bytes_read, 0) ;
        }
        std::cout << "In main:file has been sent\n" << std::endl;
        fclose (f);
        close(newsockfd);
        break;
    }
}

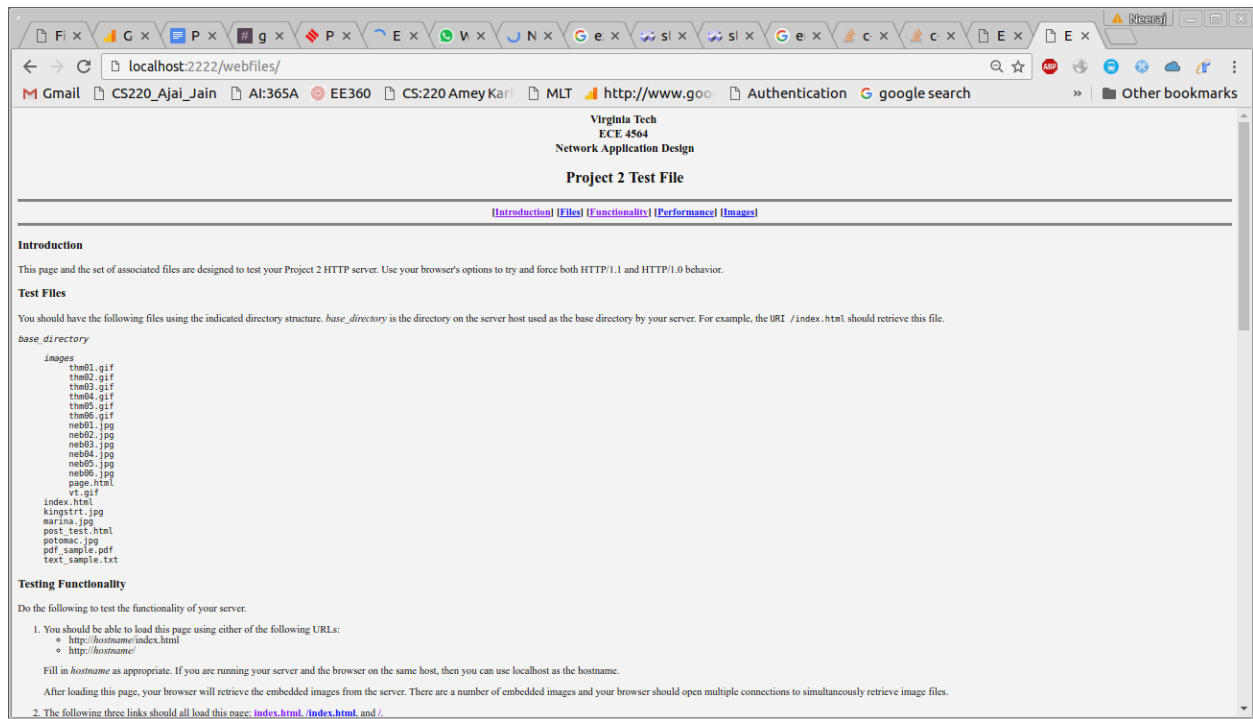
```

```
}  
close(sockfd);  
return 0;  
}
```

## Some of more screenshots after testing result:

Test Results and screenshots:

- All the images from index.html and other images were loading correctly loading
- Even when typing or going in any directory and putting '/' at the end of directory name, then if index.html file exists in that directory, it will open that file or else give an 404 error, as shown in below screenshot for webfiles/



- This screenshot is showing that all the images are correctly loading and we can headers in this screenshot as well

16 good images and one image that cannot be loaded should appear below.

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New Engineering Building Construction Scenes

Alexandria Scenes

Network tab details:

- Name: localhost
- Request URL: http://localhost:4444/
- Status Code: 200 OK
- Remote Address: 127.0.0.1:4444
- Response Headers:
  - Connection: Keep-Alive
  - Content-Length: 5211
  - Content-Type: text/html
  - Date: Fri, 19 Aug 2016 14:50:45 GMT
  - Server: localhost:Neeraj,IITK
- Request Headers:
  - Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,\*/\*;q=0.8
  - Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, sdch
  - Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.8
  - Cache-Control: max-age=0
  - Connection: keep-alive
  - Host: localhost:4444
  - Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
  - User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86\_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/52.0.2743.116 Safari/537.36

- localhost:4444/index.html is also giving the same result as localhost:4444/ and localhost:4444 as in below screenshot

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Project 2 Test File

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**Introduction**

This page and the set of associated files are designed to test your Project 2 HTTP server. Use your browser's options to try and force both HTTP/1.1 and HTTP/1.0 behavior.

**Test Files**

You should have the following files using the indicated directory structure. *base\_directory* is the directory on the server host used as the base directory by your server. For example, the URI `/index.html` should retrieve this file.

*base\_directory*

```

images
  thm01.gif
  thm02.gif
  thm03.gif
  thm04.gif
  thm05.gif
  thm06.gif
  neb01.jpg
  neb02.jpg
  neb03.jpg
  neb04.jpg
  neb05.jpg
  neb06.jpg
  page.html
  
```

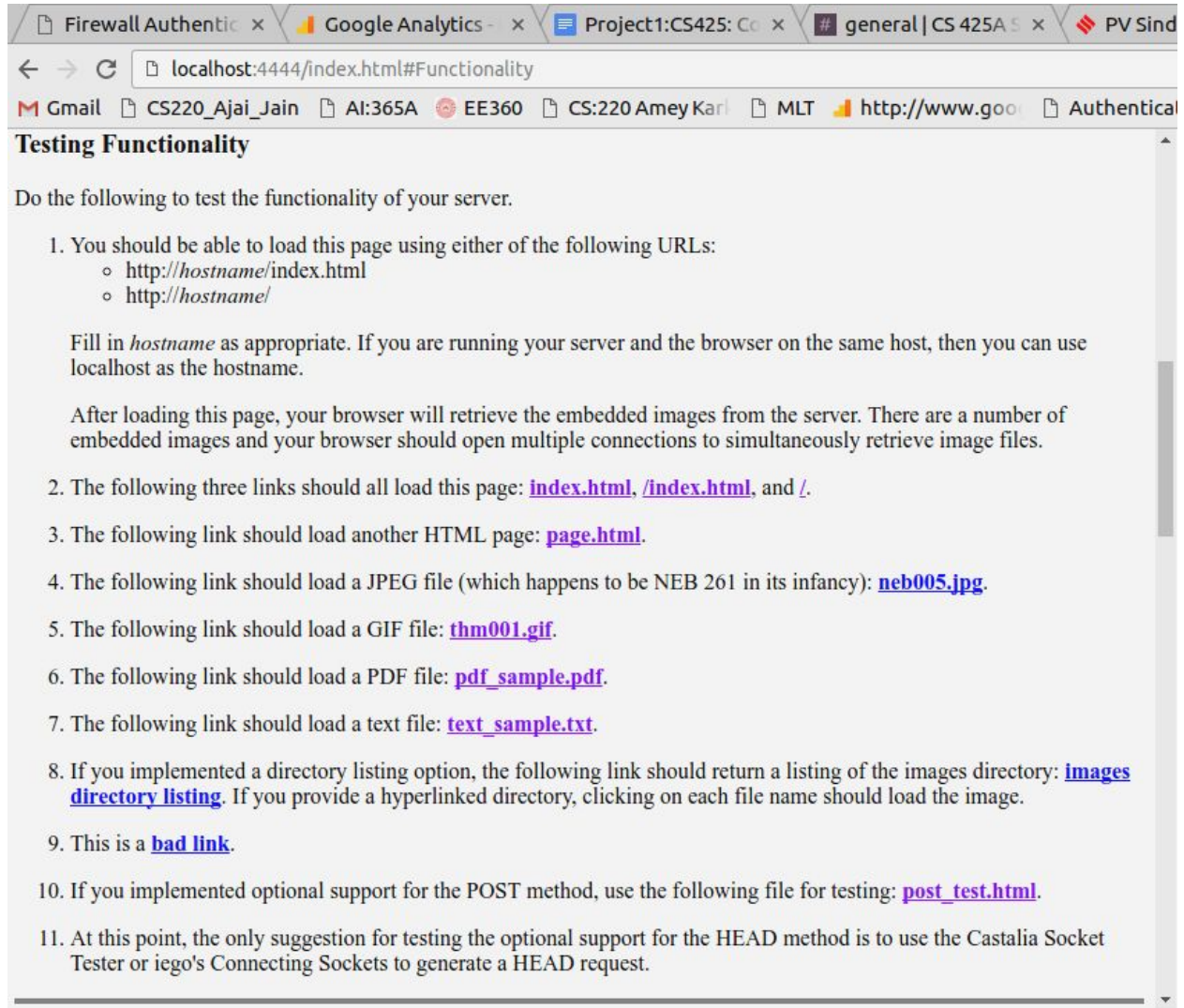
Network tab details:

- Name: index.html
- Status: 200
- Type: d... (document)
- Initia...: 5...
- Size: 6...
- Timeline - Start Time: 1.00s

- Clicking on all the links of menu bar is working fine:

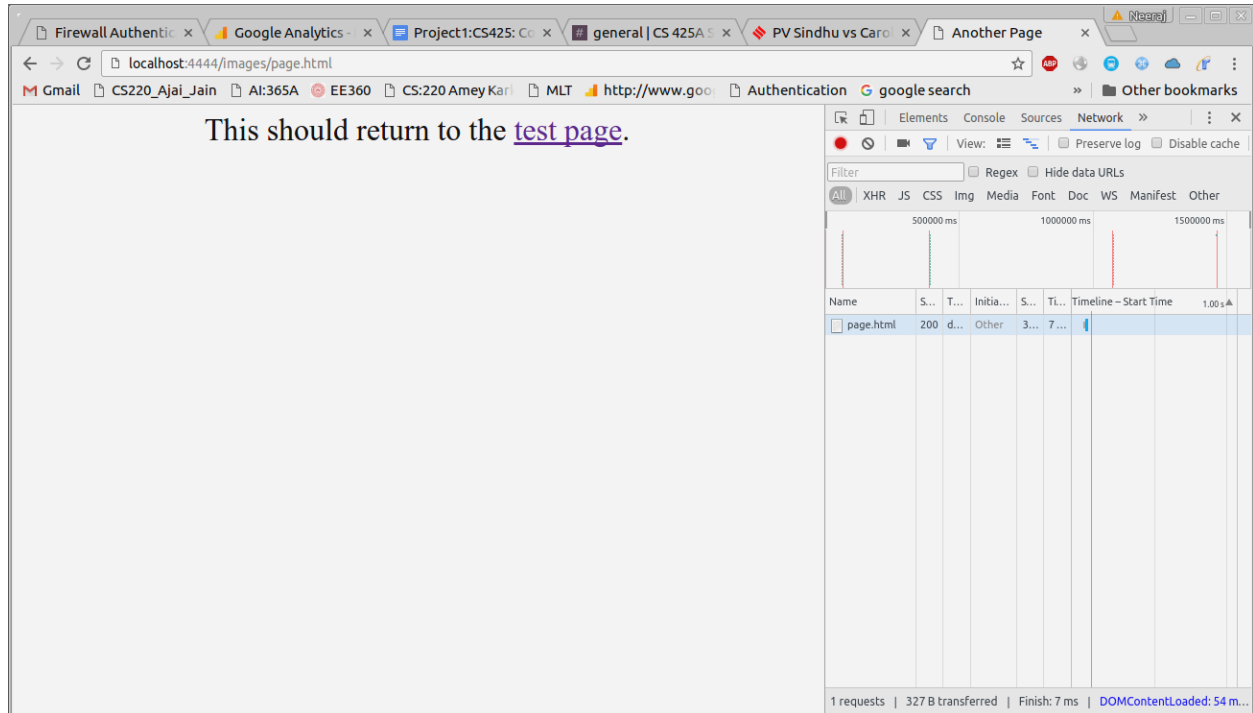
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- For e.g. clicking on Functionality is taking me to below screenshot

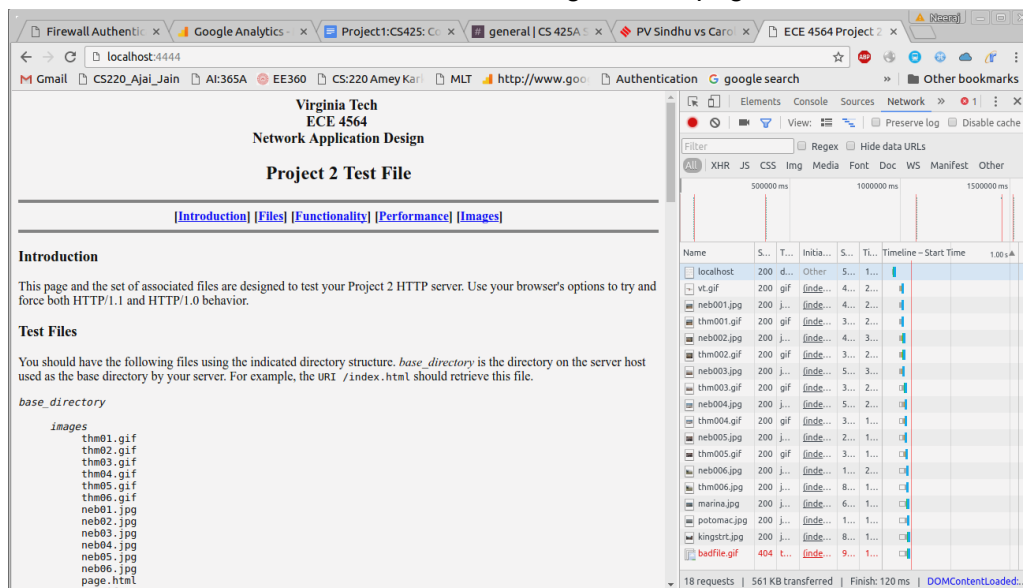


Testing functionality:

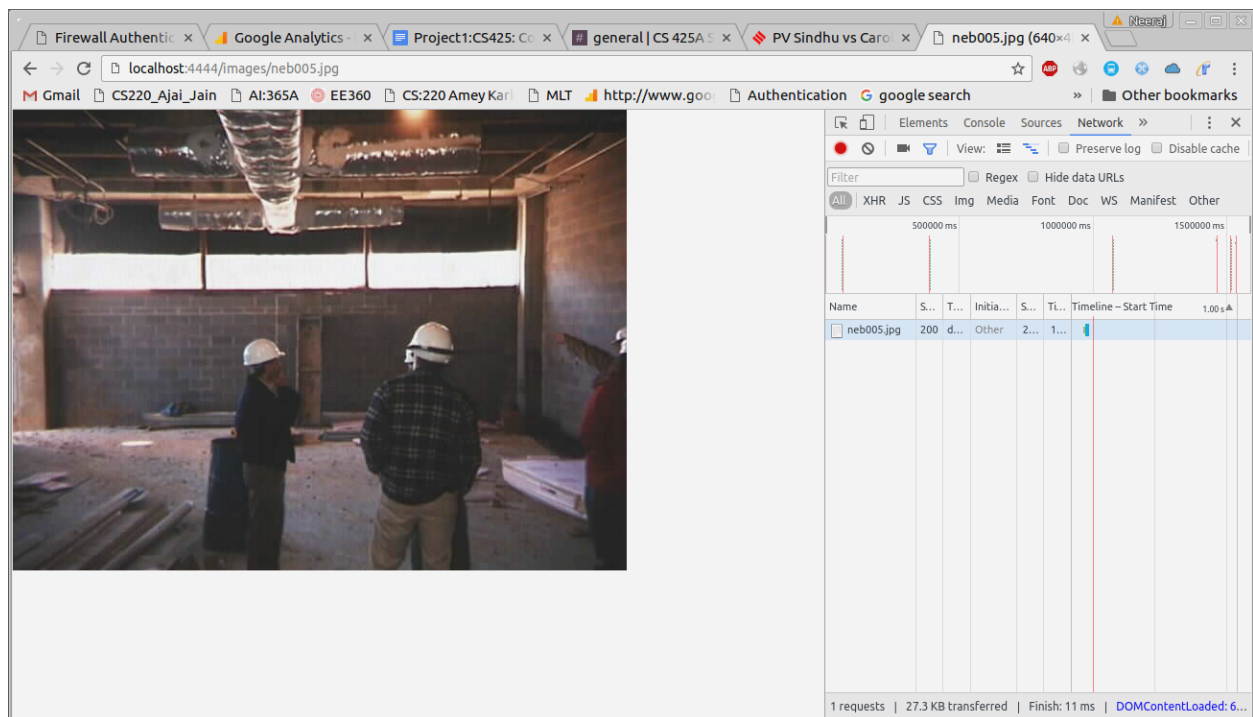
- All the three links are loading the same index.html page: [index.html](#), [/index.html](#), and [/.](#)
- The following screenshot is taken after clicking on page.html: [page.html](#).



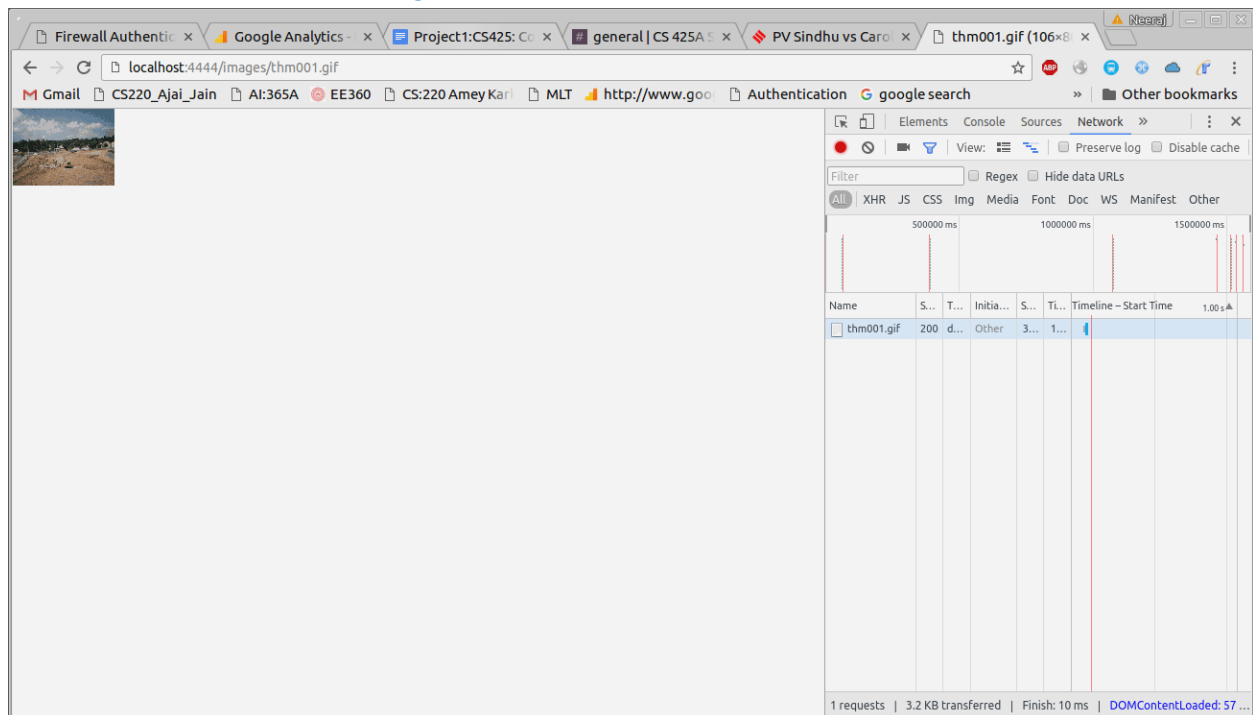
- Below screenshot came after clicking on “test page” in above link



- Below screenshot came after “The following link should load a JPEG file (which happens to be NEB 261 in its infancy): [neb005.jpg](#).”

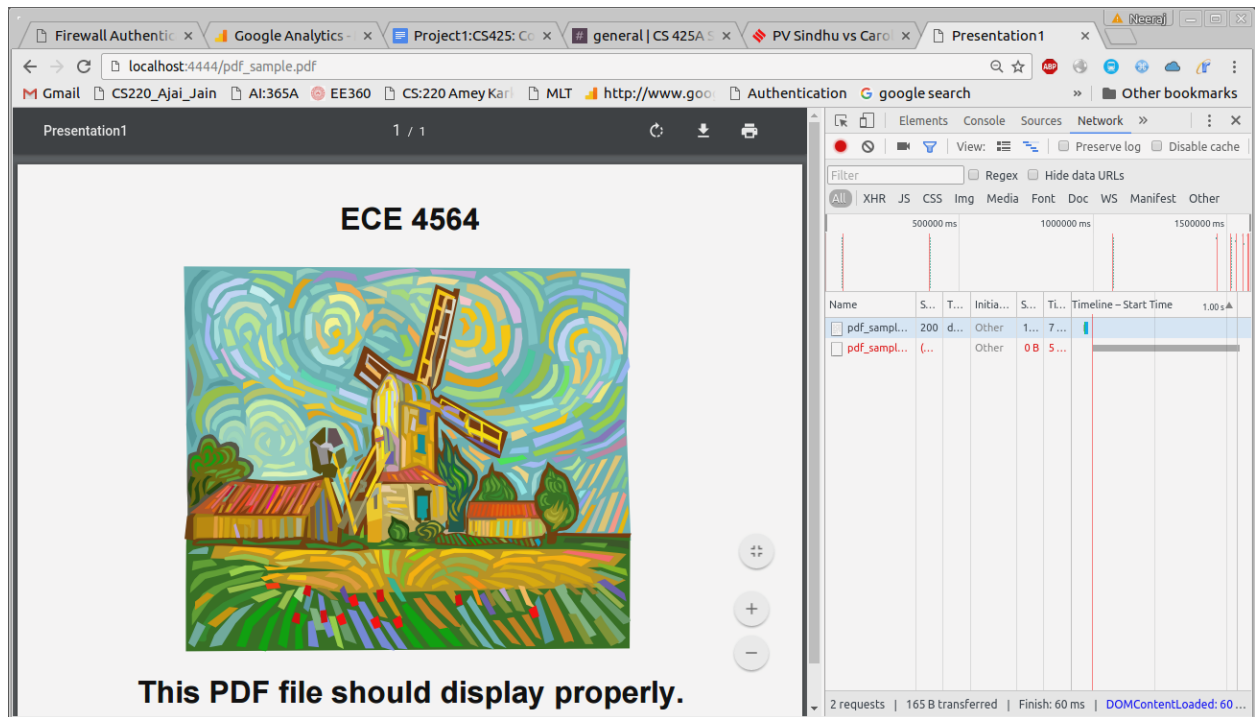


- Below screenshot came after “Below screenshot came after “The following link should load a GIF file: [thm001.gif](#)..”

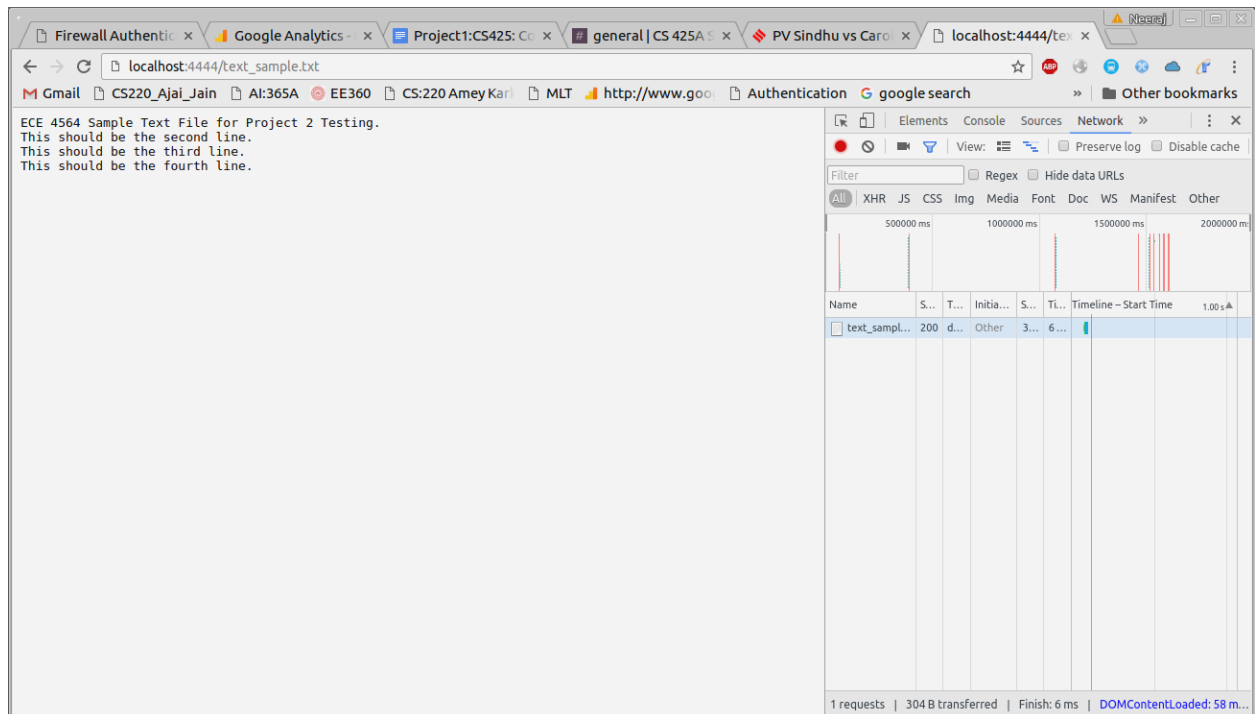




- Below screen came after clicking on “The following link should load a PDF file:  
[pdf\\_sample.pdf](#).”

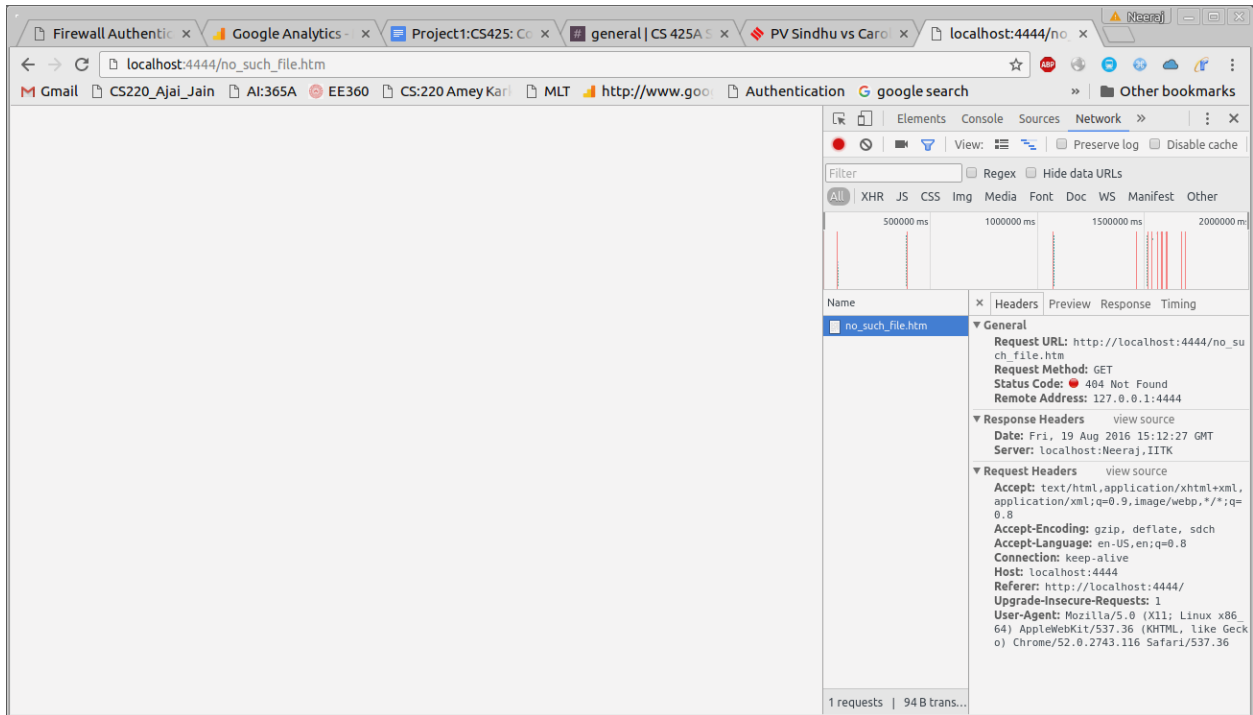


- Below screen came after clicking on “The following link should load a text file:  
[text\\_sample.txt](#).”

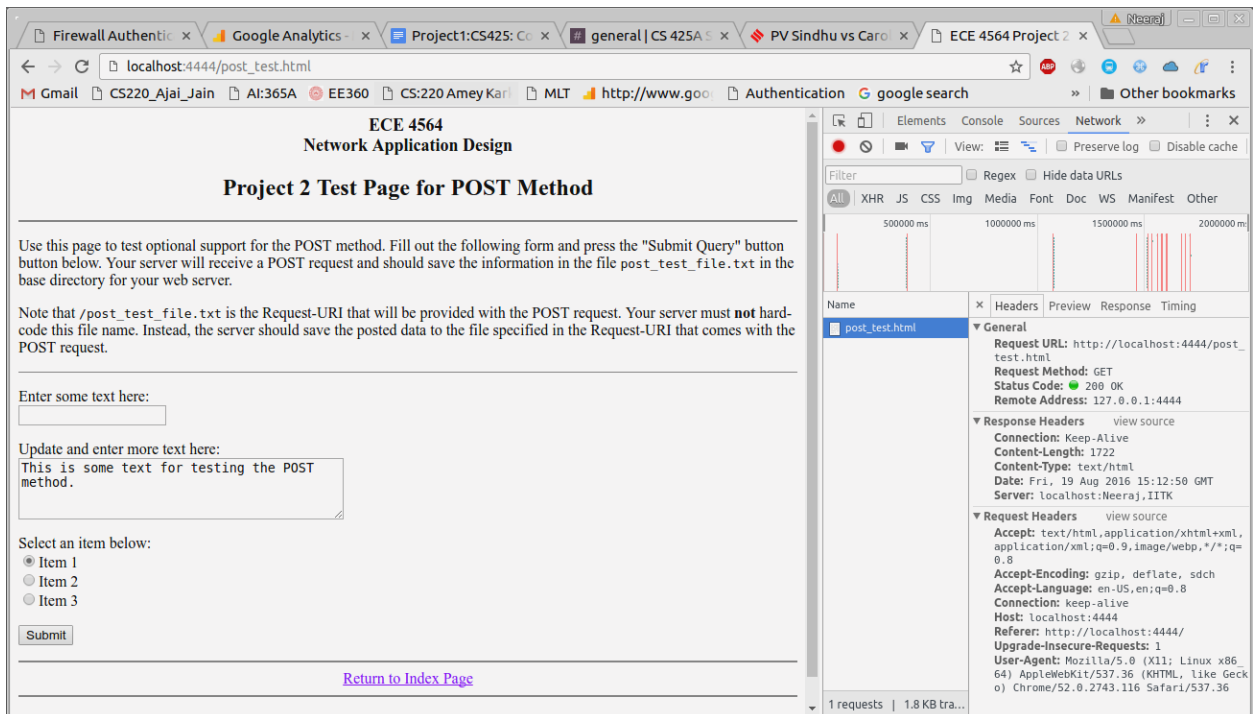


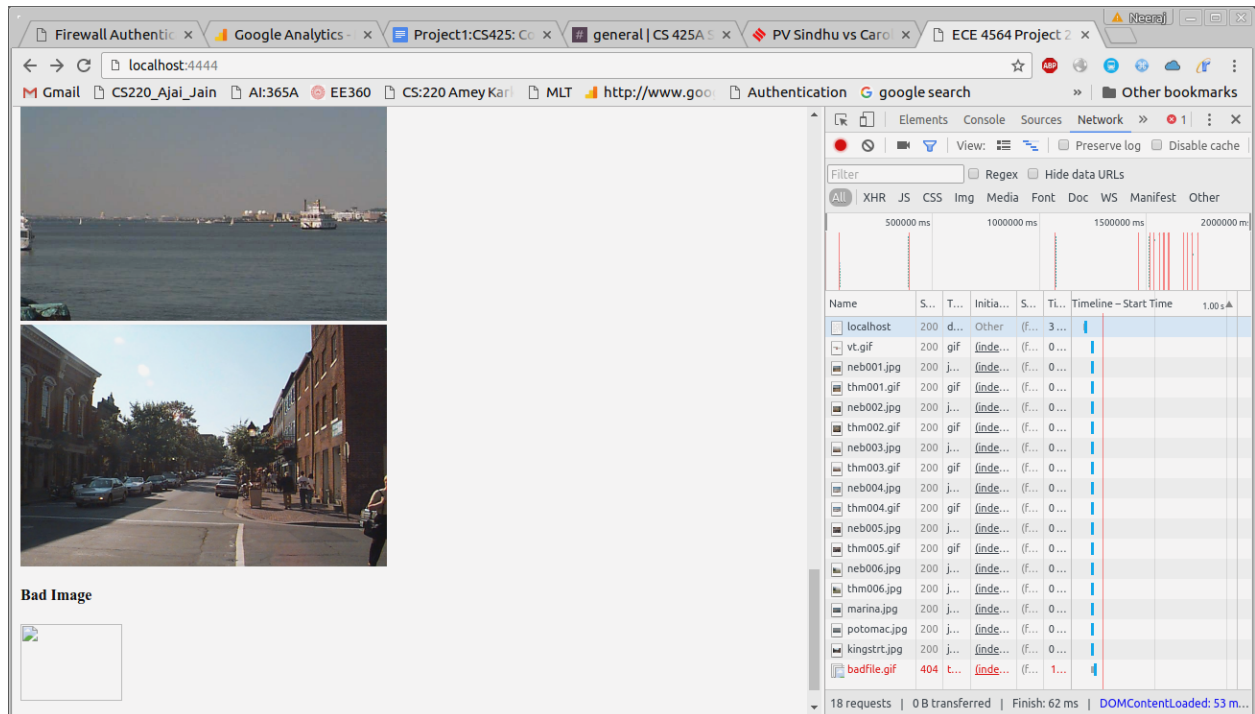


- Below screen came after clicking on “This is a [bad link.](#)”
- We can go back after clicking on backspace arrow

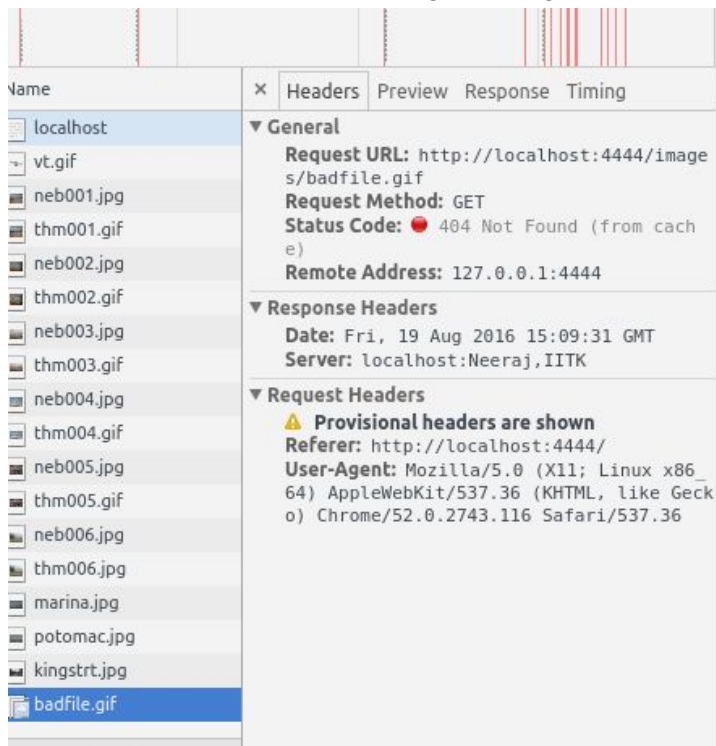


- Below screen came after clicking on “If you implemented optional support for the POST method, use the following file for testing: [post\\_test.html.](#)”





- Header of bad file clearing showing the 404 status



- Header showing OK status when opening the client for first time

The screenshot shows a web client interface with a list of requests on the left and a detailed view of the first request on the right.

**Request List:**

- localhost
- vt.gif
- neb002.jpg
- thm001.gif
- neb003.jpg
- thm002.gif
- neb001.jpg
- thm003.gif
- neb004.jpg
- thm004.gif
- neb005.jpg
- thm005.gif
- neb006.jpg
- thm006.jpg
- marina.jpg
- potomac.jpg
- kingstrt.jpg
- badfile.gif

**Summary:** 18 requests | 561 KB t...

**Request Details:**

- General:**
  - Request URL: http://localhost:4444/
  - Request Method: GET
  - Status Code: 200 OK
  - Remote Address: 127.0.0.1:4444
- Response Headers:**
  - HTTP/1.1 200 OK
  - Date: Fri, 19 Aug 2016 15:14:51 GMT
  - Server: localhost:Neeraj,IITK
  - Content-Length: 5211
  - Connection: Keep-Alive
  - Content-Type: text/html
- Request Headers:**
  - GET / HTTP/1.1
  - Host: localhost:4444
  - Connection: keep-alive
  - Cache-Control: max-age=0
  - Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
  - User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86\_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/52.0.2743.116 Safari/537.36
  - Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,\*/\*;q=0.8
  - Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, sdch
  - Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.8