

PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENT 2

Summary:

The program created for Programming assignment 2 is explained step by step in this summary.

1. In the first step, the required libraries were imported, in my code, the libraries are: **socket , os , sys and _thread**.
2. After that relevant codes were written to run socket programming successfully, eg: 'server_sock.accept'. Since TCP is used, '**SOCK_STREAM**' is used instead of '**SOCK_DGRAM**'.
3. Then, in this step codes were written to call a new thread, whenever the server receives a new request from it's clients (ie, browser).
4. After that a new user defined function called '**handler**' is defined to handle requests from the client whenever a new thread is formed.
5. In the function 'handler', request from the client is received and processed. Here a While 'True' loop is used to maintain the server inside a loop.
6. In the 'handler' , the http request from the browser is **split** to obtain the path of the requested file or data. (**.split()** is used here)
7. Inside 'handler' , there is an **if statement, which checks whether the client requests 'index.html'**, from the server. If that was the case, then 'index.html' is read by the server in bytes and sent to the client with proper http response structure (**Content type text/html**)

8. In the **else statement**, the path of the requested file is transferred to a new user defined function called '**sender**'.
 9. Inside the 'sender' , the requested file is checked for it's presence inside 'www' folder, using the command '**os.path.isfile()**'.
 10. An **if and else pair is used here**. If the file is not found then an **error message (status: 500)** is sent to the browser inside the if statement.
 11. If the requested file is found inside 'www' , **then the control is transferred to the else statement**. Here a **nested if statement** is used to send different header info , in the http response to browser corresponding to the extension of the requested file, the formats supported are **.html, .css, .js, .png, .jpg, .gif and .txt**.
- In this program the logic stated below is used to successfully send data, chunk by chunk to the browser (client).

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Output_data = file.read(1024)
while(output_data):
    if(client_sock.send(output_data)):
        output_data = file.read(1024)
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