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Develop a customized ping command to test server connectivity

Aim

Send ICMP Echo Requests and measure round-trip time (RTT) to test host reachability and latency.

Procedure / Algorithm

1. Build an ICMP Echo Request packet with identifier/sequence and checksum.
2. Send it to target via raw socket.
3. Record send time; wait for ICMP Echo Reply.
4. On reply, compute RTT and report success/failure.
5. Repeat N times, compute min/avg/max.

Code (Python, raw sockets)

Simple ICMP ping (Linux). Run as root.

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import socket, time, os, struct
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ICMP_ECHO = 8
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def checksum(data):
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    if len(data) % 2:
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        data += b'\x00'
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    s = sum(struct.unpack('!%dH' % (len(data)//2), data))
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    s = (s >> 16) + (s & 0xffff)
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    s += s >> 16
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    return ~s & 0xffff
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```
def make_packet(id, seq):
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    header = struct.pack('!BBHHH', ICMP_ECHO, 0, 0, id, seq)
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    payload = b'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwabcdefghi' # 32 bytes
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    chksum = checksum(header + payload)
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    header = struct.pack('!BBHHH', ICMP_ECHO, 0, socket.htons(chksum), id, seq)
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    return header + payload
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def ping(host, count=4, timeout=1):
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    dest = socket.gethostbyname(host)
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    with socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_RAW,  
socket.IPPROTO_ICMP) as sock:
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sock.settimeout(timeout)
id = os.getpid() & 0xFFFF
rtts = []
for seq in range(1, count+1):
    pkt = make_packet(id, seq)
    send_time = time.time()
    sock.sendto(pkt, (dest, 1))
    try:
        data, _ = sock.recvfrom(1024)
        rtt = (time.time() - send_time) * 1000
        rtts.append(rtt)
        print(f'Reply from {dest}: seq={seq} time={rtt:.2f} ms')
    except socket.timeout:
        print(f'Request timed out for seq={seq}')
if rtts:
    print(f'RTT min/avg/max =
{min(rtts):.2f}/{sum(rtts)/len(rtts):.2f}/{max(rtts):.2f} ms')

if __name__ == '__main__':
    ping('8.8.8.8', count=3)
```

Output:

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Request timed out for seq=1
Request timed out for seq=2
Request timed out for seq=3
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Result:

The Python code for a customized ping command to test server connectivity is successfully implemented.