

Network Protocol For R-Type

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Chapter 1

Introduction

This document describes the network protocol for R-Type Project.
It describes how the clients and the server will communicate together.
This protocol is only meant for the commutation client-server type.

Status of this memo

This document specifies a standart track protocol for the community of players.
Distribution of this memo is unlimited.

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Conventions

The key words “MUST”, “MUST NOT”, “REQUIRED”, “SHALL”, “SHALL NOT”, “SHOULD”, “SHOULD NOT”, “RECOMMENDED”, “MAY”, and “OPTIONAL” in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

Internationalization considerations

This document does not introduce or present any internationalization or localization issues.

Security considerations

An injection of packets in UDP can harm the integrity of the system but it MUST provide the right MAGIC code and the right CHECKSUM hash.
And this is 0.0001% likely to happen.

Chapter 2

Protocol packet

Packet datagram

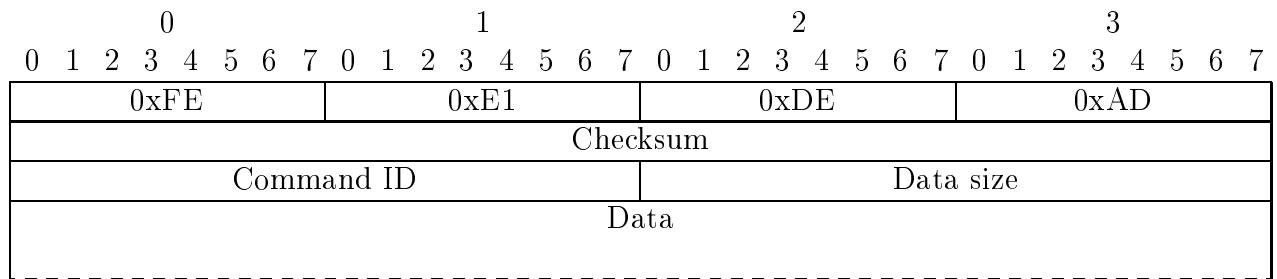


Figure 2.1: R-Type packet's datagram.

Description

- The first 32 bits are used as a magic number to make sure the packet is conform (uint32_t).
- The next 32 bits, "Hashcode" to improve security of the packet and to check the packet integrity (uint32_t).
- The next 32 bits are used to define the timestamp of the packet, in order to check if the packet is too old, irrelevant (uint32_t).
- The next 16 bits are used for the ID command. It defines the incoming data pattern (uint16_t).
- The next 16 bits are used for the Data Size (uint16_t).
- The next XX bits defined by the data size are reserved for the structured message.

Chapter 3

List of commands

This chapter presents all commands authorized between client and server communication. All unknown command will be ignored.

3.1 Client → server

3.1.1 Menu commands - TCP

- AUTHENTICATION
 - The client wants to authenticate.
 - ID of command: 000.
 - Message: [Login:char[32]].
- SHOW_ROOM
 - Request of the list of rooms.
 - ID of command: 001.
 - Message: [empty].
- CREATE_ROOM
 - The client creates a new room.
 - ID of command: 002.
 - Message: [NameRoom:char[32]][NumberOfMaxPlayers:int][Difficulty:int][IDMap:int].
- JOIN_ROOM
 - The client joins the room.
 - ID of command: 003.
 - Message: [NameRoom:char[32]].

- LEAVE_ROOM
 - The client leaves the room.
 - ID of command: 004.
 - Message: [empty].
- LAUNCH_GAME
 - The client, owner of the room, starts the game.
 - ID of command: 005.
 - Message: [NameRoom:char[32]].

3.1.2 In game commands - UDP

- MOVEMENT
 - The client moves.
 - Id of command: 100.
 - Message: [MovementType:int].
- SHOOTING
 - The client shoots.
 - ID of command: 101.
 - Message: [IDGun:int].
- ASK_DESCRIBE_ENTITY
 - The client ask to describe an entity.
 - ID of command: 102.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int].
- ASK_PLAYER_SCORE
 - The client ask a players' score.
 - ID of command: 103.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int].
- ASK_PLAYER_LIFE
 - The client ask a players' life.
 - ID of command: 104.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int].

3.2 Server → client

3.2.1 Menu commands - TCP

- AUTHENTICATION_OK
 - Success of the authentication.
 - ID of command: 200.
 - Message: [empty].
- AUTHENTICATION_KO
 - Failure of the authentication.
 - ID of command: 201.
 - Message: [ErrorMessageID:int].
- ROOM_DESCRIPTION
 - The server sends a room description.
 - ID of command: 202.
 - Message: [NameRoom:char[32]][NumberOfMaxPlayers:int]
[NumberOfCurrentPlayers:int][Difficulty:int][IDMap:int]
- ROOM_PLAYER_LIST
 - The list of player's name in the room.
 - ID of the command: 203.
 - Message: [NameRoom:char[32]][Name1:char[32]]
[Name2:char[32]][Name3:char[32]][Name4:char[32]]
- CREATE_ROOM_OK
 - Success of the room creation.
 - ID of command: 204.
 - Message: [empty].
- CREATE_ROOM_KO
 - Success of the room creation.
 - ID of command: 205.
 - Message: [ErrorMessageID:int].

- JOIN_ROOM_OK
 - Success of entering in the room.
 - ID of command: 206.
 - Message: [empty].
- JOIN_ROOM_KO
 - Failure of entering in the room.
 - ID of command: 207.
 - Message: [ErrorMessageID:int].
- LEAVE_ROOM_OK
 - Success of leaving the room.
 - ID of command: 208.
 - Message: [empty].
- LEAVE_ROOM_KO
 - Failure of leaving the room.
 - ID of command: 209.
 - Message: [ErrorMessageID:int].
- LAUNCH_GAME_OK
 - Success of launching the game.
 - ID of command: 210.
 - Message: [empty].
- LAUNCH_GAME_KO
 - Failure of launching the game.
 - ID of command: 211.
 - Message: [ErrorMessageID:int].

3.2.2 In game commands - UDP

- START_GAME
 - The server launch the server.
 - ID of command: 300.
 - Message: [empty].
- SPAWN_ENTITY
 - An entity has spawn on the map.
 - ID of command: 301.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int][IDType:int][PosX:int][PosY:int].
- DESTROY_ENTITY
 - An entity is destroyed.
 - ID of command: 302.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int].
- MOVE_ENTITY
 - An entity moves.
 - ID of command: 303.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int][PosX:int][PosY:int][MovementType:int].
- LIFE_ENTITY
 - The server send the life of the entity.
 - ID of command: 304.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int][Life:int].
- COLLISION
 - Collision between two entities.
 - ID of command: 305.
 - Message: [IDEntity1:int][IDEntity2:int].
- DESCRIPTION_ENTITY
 - The server send the description of the entity.
 - ID of command: 306.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int][IDType:int][Life:int][PosX:int][PosY:int].

- ENTITY_SCORE
 - The server sends the score of the entity.
 - ID of command: 307.
 - Message: [IDEntity: int][Score:int].
- PLAYER_DISCONNECT
 - The server sends the player id who has just disconnected.
 - ID of command: 308.
 - Message: [IDEntity:int].
- END_GAME
 - The game has ended.
 - ID of command: 309.
 - Message: [MessageID:int].

Chapter 4

Communication Client \rightarrow Server

This section presents actions and reactions from client and server for each packets sent. And it also gives the mains reasons for eache sending.

4.1 TCP

4.1.1 Actions and reactions

- **Green** means the action succeed and **red** it failed.
- n is the number of room on the server (in game or not).

| Action | Reaction |
|----------------|--|
| AUTHENTICATION | AUTHENTICATION_OK AUTHENTICATION_KO |
| SHOW_ROOM | n * ROOM_DESCRIPTION n * ROOM_PLAYER_LIST |
| CREATE_ROOM | CREATE_ROOM_OK CREATE_ROOM_KO |
| JOIN_ROOM | JOIN_ROOM_OK JOIN_ROOM_KO |
| LEAVE_ROOM | LEAVE_ROOM_OK LEAVE_ROOM_KO |
| LAUNCH_GAME | LAUNCH_ROOM_OK LAUNCH_ROOM_KO |

Figure 4.1: Actions and reactions in TCP.

4.1.2 Reasons

- AUTHENTICATION
 - Is the login already exist ?
 - * Yes → send AUTHENTICATION_KO.
 - * No → send AUTHENTICATION_OK.
- SHOW_ROOM
 - For each room, send ROOM_DESCRIPTION to the client.
 - For each room, send ROOM_PLAYER_LIST to the client.
- CREATE_ROOM
 - Is the room's name already exist ?
 - * Yes → send CREATE_ROOM_KO.
 - * No → send CREATE_ROOM_OK.
- JOIN_ROOM
 - Is the room already in a game ?
 - * Yes → send JOIN_ROOM_KO.
 - * No. Is the room full ?
 - Yes → send JOIN_ROOM_KO.
 - No → send JOIN_ROOM_OK.
- LEAVE_ROOM
 - Send ROOM_DESCRIPTION and ROOM_PLAYER_LIST to all players in the room.
 - Is the client the last in the room ?
 - * Yes → Delete the room (server side).
- LAUNCH_ROOM
 - Is the server ready for a new game ?
 - * Yes → send LAUNCH_GAME_OK to all players in the room.
 - * No → send LAUNCH_GAME_KO to the client.

4.2 UDP

4.2.1 Actions and reactions

Here is only presented actions which have an answer from the server.

| Action | Reaction |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| MOVEMENT | MOVE_ENTITY |
| SHOOTING | SPAWN_ENTITY |
| ASK_DESCRIBE_ENTITY | DESCRIPTION_ENTITY |
| ASK_PLAYER_SCORE | ENTITY_SCORE |
| ASK_PLAYER_PLAYER_LIFE | LIFE_ENTITY |

Figure 4.2: Actions and reactions in UDP.

These events could be sent by the server without any request from the client.

| Event | Reason |
|---------------------|--|
| SPAWN_ENTITY | A new entity spawn on the map. |
| DESTROY_ENTITY | An entity disappears or is killed. |
| MOVE_ENTITY | An entity is moving (e.g. a player is pressing a movement key). |
| LIFE_ENTITY | An ennemy or the player has been shot. |
| COLLISION | Two entity are touching each other. |
| DESCRIPTION_ENTITY | After a spawned entity, the server can send this entity description. |
| ENTITY_SCORE | After an ennemy is killed, the new score is sent to display. |
| PLAYER_DISCONNECTED | The player leaves the game, the client doesn't need to display it anymore. |

Figure 4.3: Events sent by the server.

4.3 Order of actions

This part explains the order of actions for a game.

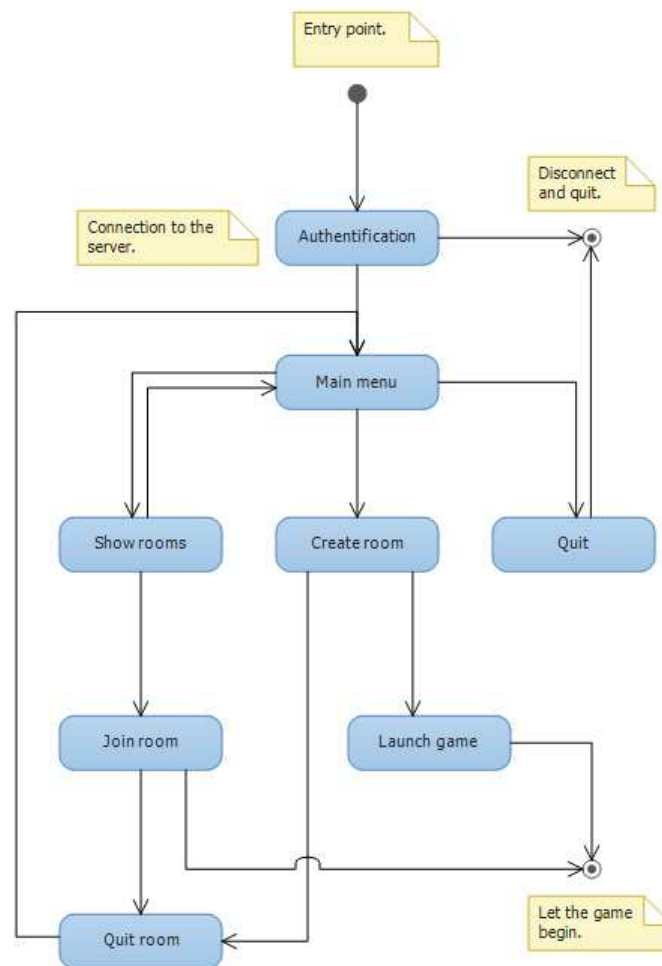


Figure 4.4: Client side, before the game.

Chapter 5

References

[RFC 2119]
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