

Lecture 3 - Java Socket Programming and I/O

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Introduction

Java Socket programming is used for **communication** between the applications running on different machines.



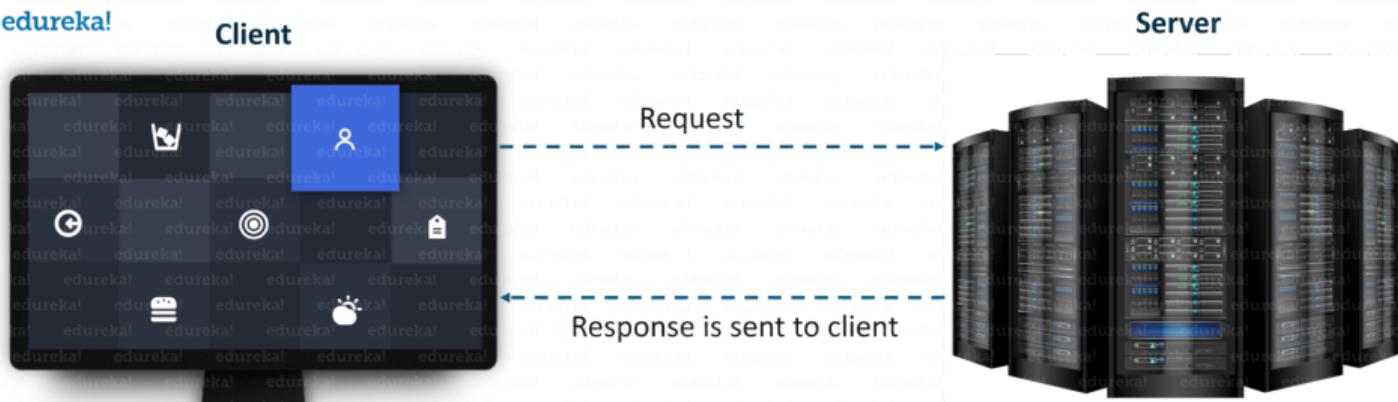
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Introduction

In Java Socket programming, the most important elements are:

- **Socket and ServerSocket** are used for connection-oriented socket programming.
- **The client** must know the IP Address of the server and port number.



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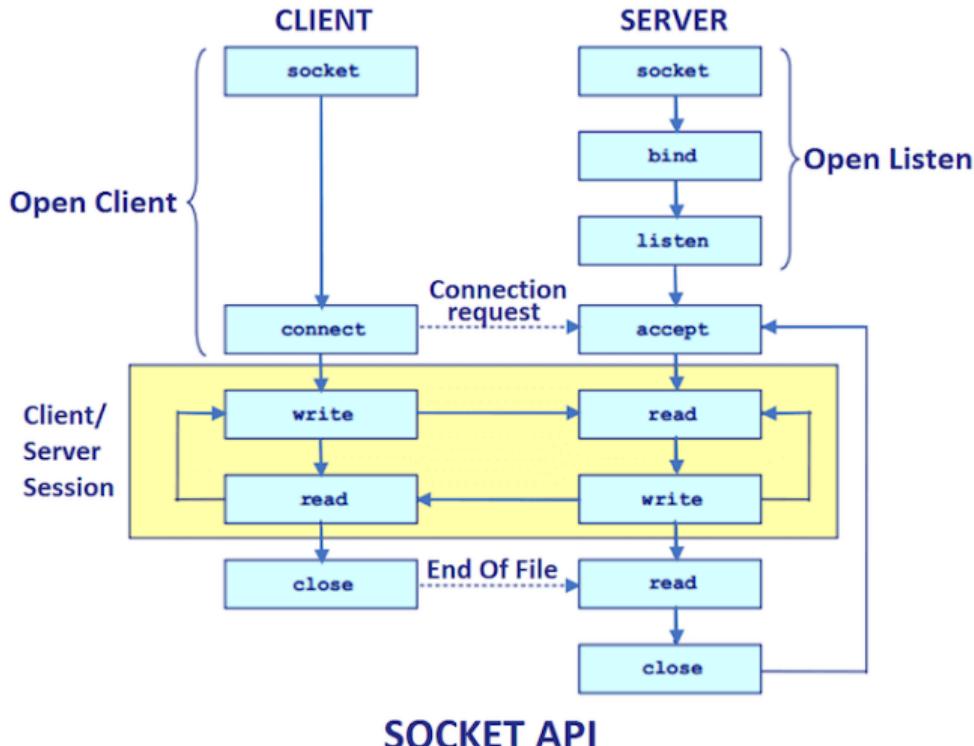
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Introduction

One-way client and server communication: the client sends a message to the server, and the server reads the message and prints it.

The `Socket` class communicates client and server.

The `ServerSocket` class is used on the server side. Its `accept()` method blocks the console until the client is connected.



Example of Java Socket Programming

- **Creating Server:** 1) We use the **6666 port number** for the communication between the client and server. 2) The **accept()** method **waits for the client**. If clients connect with the given port number, it returns an instance of **Socket**.

```
ServerSocket ss=new ServerSocket(6666);
Socket s=ss.accept(); //establishes connection and waits for the client
```



Example of Java Socket Programming

- **Creating Client:** We pass the **IP address or hostname** of the Server and a **port number**. Here, we are using "localhost" because our server is running on the same system.

```
Socket s=new Socket("localhost",6666);
```



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Example of Java Socket Programming

- MyServer.java

```
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
public class MyServer {
    public static void main(String[] args){
        try{
            ServerSocket ss=new ServerSocket(6666);
            Socket s=ss.accept();//establishes connection
            DataInputStream dis=new DataInputStream(s.getInputStream());
            String str=(String)dis.readUTF();
            System.out.println("message= "+str);
            ss.close();
        }catch(Exception e){System.out.println(e);}
    }
}
```

- MyClient.java

```
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
public class MyClient {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        try{
            Socket s=new Socket("localhost",6666);
            DataOutputStream dout=new DataOutputStream(s.getOutputStream());
            dout.writeUTF("Hello Server");
            dout.flush();
            dout.close();
            s.close();
        }catch(Exception e){System.out.println(e);}
    }
}
```



Java I/O (Input and Output)

Basic Knowledge of Java Input and Output.

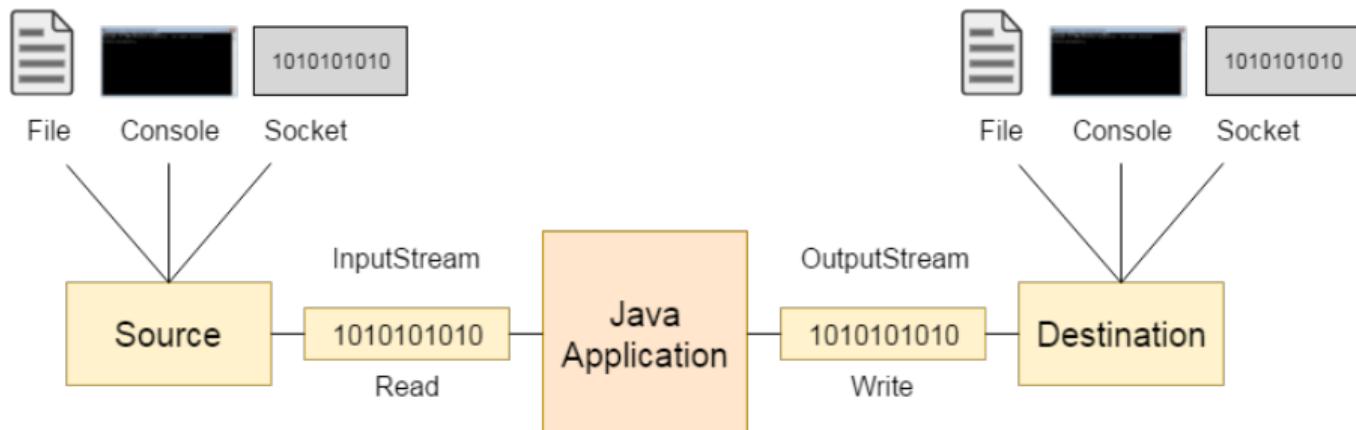
- **Stream:** A stream is a sequence of data. In Java, a stream is composed of bytes.
- **OutputStream:** Java application uses an output stream to write data to a destination; it may be a file, an array or sockets.
- **InputStream:** Java application uses an input stream to read data from a source; it may be a file, an array, or sockets.



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Java I/O (Input and Output)



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Java I/O (Input and Output)

Stream Wrappers

What if we want to **do more than read and write a mess of bytes or characters?**

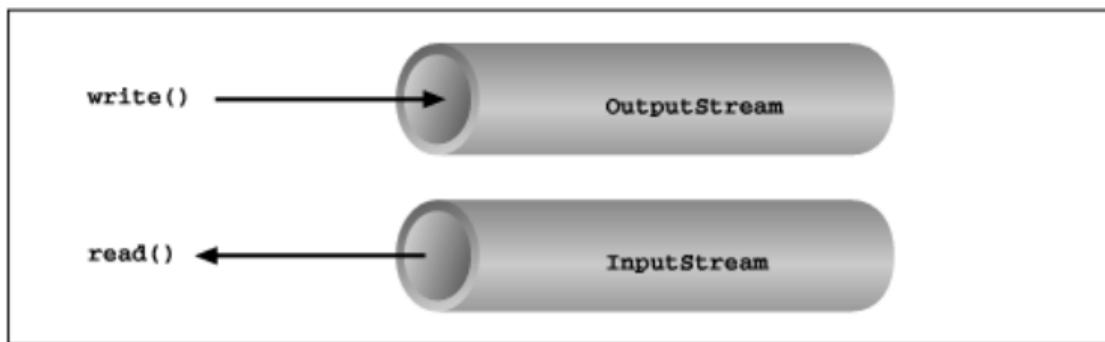
- The **DatalInputStream** and **DataOutputStream** Classes are filtered streams that read or write strings and primitive data types that comprise more than a byte.
- The **readUTF()** and **writeUTF()** methods of DatalInputStream and DataOutputStream read and write a Java String of Unicode characters using the UTF-8 (encoding of Unicode characters commonly used for the transmission and storage of Unicode text).
- Use the **flush()** method to data out the contents.



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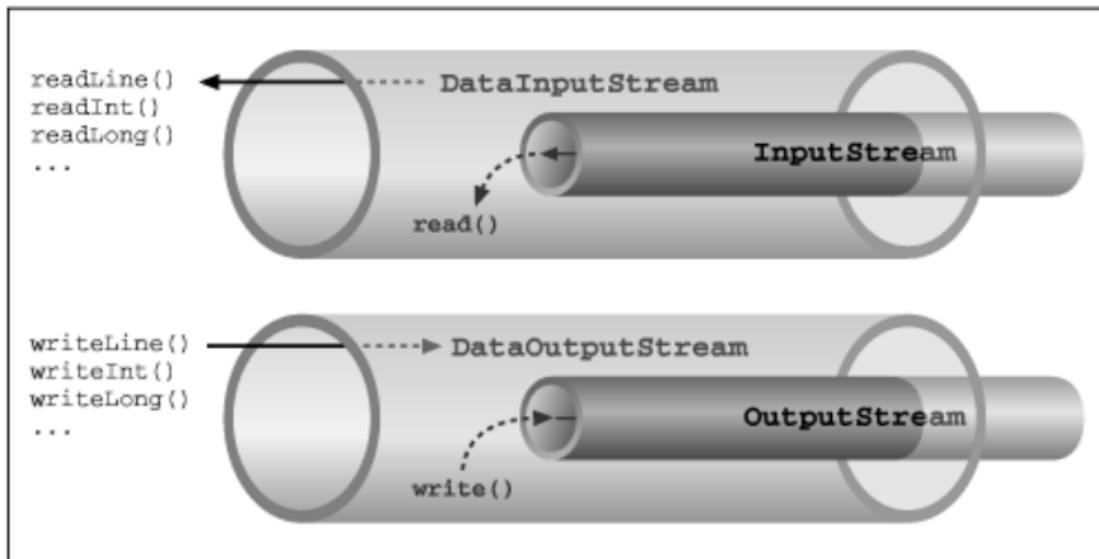
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Java I/O (Input and Output)

Character Streams

- The **InputStreamReader** class bridge the gap between the world of character streams and the world of byte streams. These are character streams that are wrapped around an underlying byte stream.
- When we wrap an InputStreamReader around System.in, we object converts the incoming bytes of System.in to characters using the default encoding scheme.



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Java I/O (Input and Output)

Buffered streams

- The **BufferedReader** class add a data buffer of a specified size to the stream path.
- A buffer can increase efficiency by reducing the number of physical read or write operations that correspond to read() or write() method calls.
- You can wrap another stream around a buffered stream. BufferedReader gives us the `readLine()` method, which we can use to retrieve a full line of text into a String.



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Java I/O (Input and Output)

Read data from the console.

```
package com.javatpoint;  
import java.io.*;  
public class BufferedReaderExample{  
public static void main(String args[])throws Exception{  
    InputStreamReader r=new InputStreamReader(System.in);  
    BufferedReader br=new BufferedReader(r);  
    System.out.println("Enter your name");  
    String name=br.readLine();  
    System.out.println("Welcome "+name);  
}  
}
```

Enter your
Nakul Jain
Welcome Nakul Jain



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Java I/O (Input and Output)

Read data from console until the user writes stop

```
package com.javatpoint;  
import java.io.*;  
  
public class BufferedReaderExample{  
    public static void main(String args[])throws Exception{  
        InputStreamReader r=new InputStreamReader(System.in);  
        BufferedReader br=new BufferedReader(r);  
        String name="";  
        while(!name.equals("stop")){  
            System.out.println("Enter data: ");  
            name=br.readLine();  
            System.out.println("data is: "+name);  
        }  
        br.close();  
        r.close();  
    }  
}
```

Enter data: Nakul

data is: Nakul

Enter data: 12

data is: 12

Enter data: stop

data is: stop

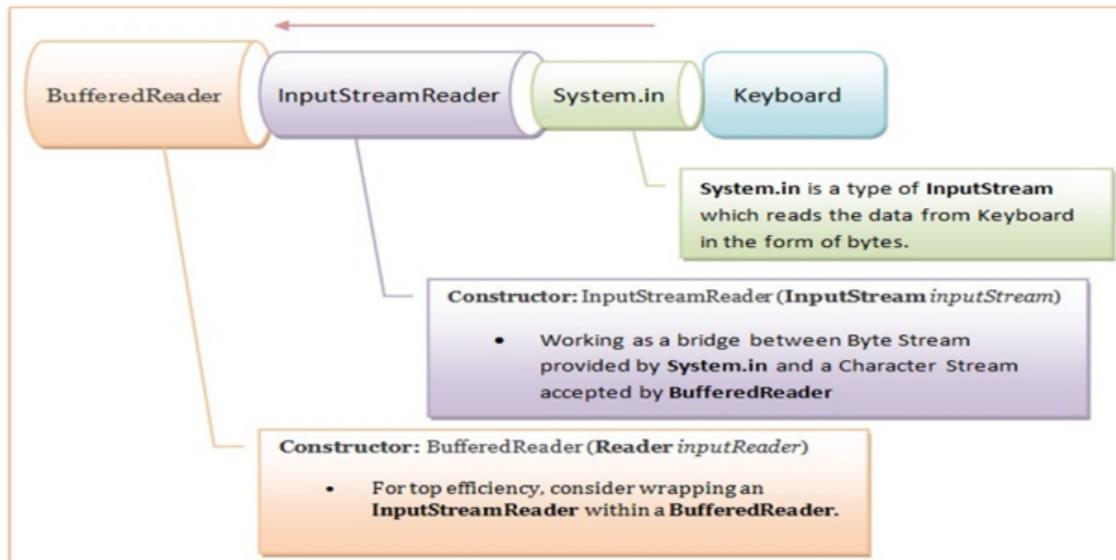


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Java I/O (Input and Output)

Java InputStreamReader – Read from Keyboard



Example of Java Socket Programming and Data Streaming

- MyServer.java

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
class MyServer{
public static void main(String args[])throws Exception{
ServerSocket ss=new ServerSocket(3333);
Socket s=ss.accept();
DataInputStream din=new DataInputStream(s.getInputStream());
DataOutputStream dout=new DataOutputStream(s.getOutputStream());
BufferedReader br=new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));

String str="",str2="";
while(!str.equals("stop")){
str=din.readUTF();
System.out.println("client says: "+str);
str2=br.readLine();
dout.writeUTF(str2);
dout.flush();
}
din.close();
s.close();
ss.close();
}}
```

- MyClient.java

```
import java.net.*;
import java.io.*;
class MyClient{
public static void main(String args[])throws Exception{
Socket s=new Socket("localhost",3333);
DataInputStream din=new DataInputStream(s.getInputStream());
DataOutputStream dout=new DataOutputStream(s.getOutputStream());
BufferedReader br=new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));

String str="",str2="";
while(!str.equals("stop")){
str=br.readLine();
dout.writeUTF(str);
dout.flush();
str2=din.readUTF();
System.out.println("Server says: "+str2);
}

dout.close();
s.close();
}}
```

Question and Answering (Q&A)



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