ENGI 9869 Advanced Concurrent Programming

A Presentation on "MultiThreaded Client/Server Chat Application"

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Foundation

- Concurrent programming is among advanced structural programming technique
- Number of operations executed in same time by **context switching**
- These operations are literally called **Threads or processes**
- Concurrent processes have more than one **threads of control** not necessarily
- Limited set of resources **enforce synchronization**

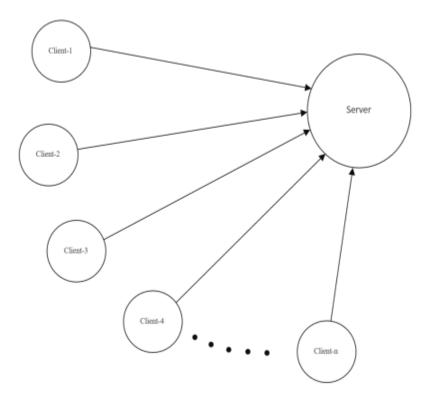
Problem Statement View

- User identified his/her Name
- All users can see messages with sender identification
- Notification leaveing chat room
- Messages received will be logged by current **date and time** of arrival
- Necessary synchronization among the threads enforced
- One Server **running continuously** (Just in Time Availability) is required to run the application
- 10's of users enforcing **concurrency**
- Host Machine is Intel(R) Core (TM) i7, 6700 HQ CPU @ 2 x 2.6 GHz

Application Design

- Client-Server Paradigm/Architecture
- Java multithreading which gives an **explicit implementation of threads** creation and control

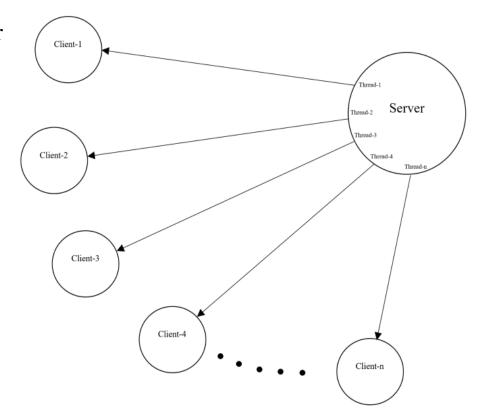
synchronization over the layer of Client Server Architecture



Application Design

• Server creates a **new thread in response to every client** and do all reads and writes and throwing received

message to all the client threads currently running in on the server



Suggested Algorithm

Server

Begin

Initiate server process waiting for requests

Receive request

Create a thread for client //fork

Create Socket connection

While Comm. Not Ends

Do input/output streams

Close streams

Close socket

Terminate thread

➤ Server will start receiving requests again after creating thread for requested client

End

Suggested Algorithm

Client

Begin

Initiate client process

Create a thread for making request

Send Request to server

Create client thread for Data Transfer

While Comm. Not Ends

Do input/output streams

Close I/O streams

Close socket

Kill thread

End

Programming Granularity

- Sockets is one **end point of two way** communication link and complex data structures
- Higher levels of programming abstraction are also available like **interfaces of Java, RMI**
- Java network Sockets will provide lower level connection orientation
- Input and output streams used for data forwarding and receiving over socket connections
- Machine_ID and port number necessary to establish a connection with in machines using sockets.
- Machine_ID is identification number of specific machine IP
- **Port_No** is identification number of specific application.

Programming Granularity

- Java.net is a package in Java development platform which contains Internet Address
 resolutions, sockets with TCP and UDP connections.
- Here we used TCP
 - Socket Class
 - Server Socket Class
- Connection must be established between client and server before start sending or receiving between client to server or vice versa

Implementing Sockets

- Implemented on **both server and client side** of application.
- TCP sockets are **connection oriented** sockets
- Use Socket and Server Socket objects for communication.
 - 1. Create Network Connection
 - 2. Open Sockets
 - 3. Creating Input/ Output Streams //Data Transfer
 - 4. Close Sockets



How to Run

- This project is implemented on Intel(R) Core (TM) i7, 6700 HQ CPU @ 2 x 2.6 GHz machine.
- Address of current machine is **localhost**. Which may be **169.254.x.x/16** which are default address when the machine is disconnected.
- When it is connected **localhost the request will resolve** the current address of machine.
- Port Number we used here is **55555** which any number between **1024-65535** on which this machine and application will accept the requests.

Launch Application

Server

```
javac "Server_filename".java
java "Server_filename"
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Client

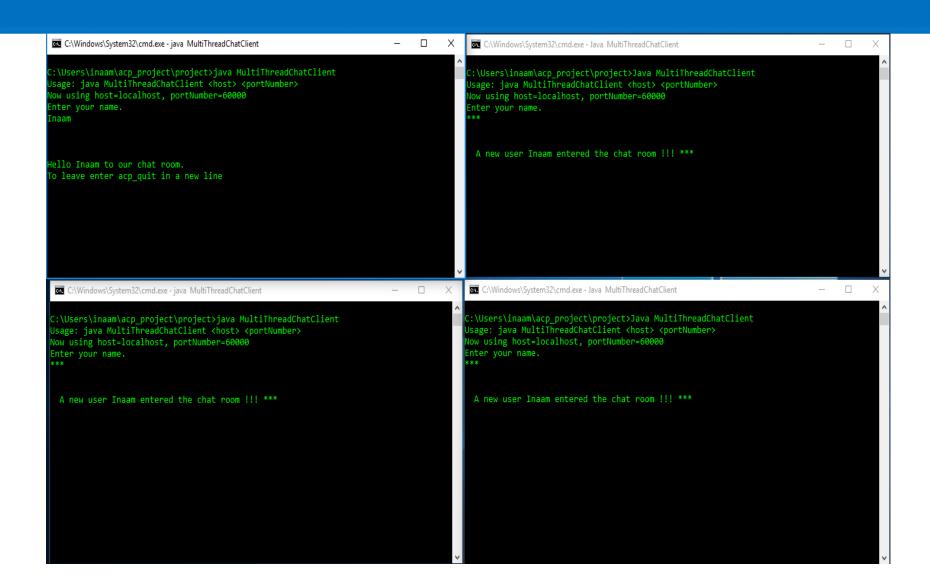
```
javac "Client_filename".java
java "Client_filename"
"Repeat the process for multiple clients"
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Running Example



Running Example



Closing Application

To exit from chat group client must have to enter keyword "quit" and press enter he/she will eventually get out

of the chat room.

```
C:\Windows\System32\cmd.exe - Java MultiThreadChatClient
 A new user Umair entered the chat room !!! ***
 A new user Abuzar entered the chat room !!! ***
at May 27 22:51:18 NDT 2017> Umair:
The user Umair is leaving the chat room !!! ***
Sat May 27 22:51:42 NDT 2017> Ahmed:
acp_quit
Bye Ahmed ***
```

Conclusion

- The application is limited to **5-10** clients only.
- **No authentication** for a user to enter the chat room. AAA can be implemented with basic java structures but less concerned in this project
- Authentication is a more important measure for a **chat application**.
- As you can see we have Multithreaded Client-Server application with is **only textual communications** where no multimedia item can be shared
- Java web resources Upgradation (file sharing, searching media, tracing history etc.)
- The application can be enhanced to a **Graphical Interface**

Questions