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Exercise 3: Multiuser Chat Using UDP

AIM:

Develop a chat application between a client and server using UDP. Update the program to support multiple clients (using `fd_set()` and `select()` functions of C.)

ALGORITHM

SERVER

1. Create a UDP socket using `socket()` system call.
2. `Bind()` is used to bind the socket with a specified address defined by `sockaddr_in` pointer, with the address, family, port set accordingly, `bzero()` is used to clear the address pointer initially.
3. Initialize a descriptor set for `select` and calculate a maximum of 3 descriptor for which server will wait
4. Call `select` and get the ready descriptor (UDP)
5. Handle new connection and receive the data gram

CLIENT(S)

1. Create a UDP socket using `socket()` system call.
2. Send message to server
3. Wait until response from server is received.
4. Close socket descriptor and exit.

Sample Input Output:

Client Side

Client1: "hi this is from ssn.

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Message from Server: "hi this is from ssn.

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Server Side

Message from Client1: "hi this is from ssn.

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Message sent: "hi this is from ssn.

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Client2: "hi this is from ssn.

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Message from Server: "hi this is from ssn.

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Server Side

Message from Client2: "hi this is from ssn.

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Message sent: "hi this is from ssn.