

### Problem Statement:

#### Chat Applications

- Application: Applications like WhatsApp or Slack use IPC mechanisms for message exchange between processes handling user input, storage, and network communication.
- Solution: Implement message queues or shared memory for efficient data sharing between processes.

### **\*\*Server Code\*\***

The server listens for client connections and processes their messages.

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``java
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
import java.util.concurrent.*;

public class ChatServer {

    private static final int PORT = 12345; // The port to listen for connections
    private static final int MAX_MESSAGES = 10; // Message queue size limit
    private static BlockingQueue<String> messageQueue = new
    LinkedBlockingQueue<>(MAX_MESSAGES);

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        try (ServerSocket serverSocket = new ServerSocket(PORT)) {

            System.out.println("Server is running, waiting for client connections...");

            // Continuously accept client connections
            while (true) {

                Socket clientSocket = serverSocket.accept();

                System.out.println("Client connected: " + clientSocket.getInetAddress());
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        // Start a new thread for each client
        new Thread(new ClientHandler(clientSocket)).start();
    }
} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
}

// Handle communication with a single client
static class ClientHandler implements Runnable {
    private final Socket clientSocket;

    public ClientHandler(Socket clientSocket) {
        this.clientSocket = clientSocket;
    }

    @Override
    public void run() {
        try (BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new
InputStreamReader(clientSocket.getInputStream()));
        PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(clientSocket.getOutputStream(), true)) {

            String message;
            while ((message = in.readLine()) != null) {
                if ("exit".equalsIgnoreCase(message)) {
                    System.out.println("Client disconnected.");
                    break;
                }

                messageQueue.put(message); // Add the message to the queue
                System.out.println("Received message: " + message);
                out.println("Server: " + message); // Send a confirmation to the client
            }
        }
    }
}

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        }
    } catch (IOException | InterruptedException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
}
}
}
...

```

### **\*\*Client Code\*\***

The client connects to the server and exchanges messages.

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```java
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ChatClient {
    private static final String SERVER_IP = "192.168.150.122"; // Replace with the server's IP address
    private static final int SERVER_PORT = 12345; // The port the server is listening on

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        try (Socket socket = new Socket(SERVER_IP, SERVER_PORT);
            BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(socket.getInputStream()));
            PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(socket.getOutputStream(), true)) {

            Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);

            System.out.println("Connected to the server!");

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System.out.println("Type 'exit' to quit.");

// Continuously read user input and send to the server
while (true) {
    System.out.print("Enter message: ");
    String message = scanner.nextLine();

    out.println(message); // Send the message to the server

    if ("exit".equalsIgnoreCase(message)) {
        System.out.println("Exiting chat...");
        break;
    }

    // Receive the response from the server
    String response = in.readLine();
    System.out.println("Server response: " + response);
}

scanner.close();
} catch (IOException e) {
    e.printStackTrace();
}
}
}
...

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```

**Steps to Run the Code:**

1. **\*\*Run the Server Code:\*\***

- Execute the `ChatServer` program on one system (or instance) to start the server.
- The server will wait for client connections on port `12345`.

2. **\*\*Run the Client Code:\*\***

- Execute the `ChatClient` program on a different system.
- Replace `SERVER\_IP` with the IP address of the server system.
- Connects to the server and allows sending messages.

3. **\*\*Test Communication:\*\***

- Enter messages on the client console.
- The server will display received messages and echo them back.

4. **\*\*Stop Communication:\*\***

- Type `exit` on the client to disconnect.

This setup enables basic communication between multiple clients and the server over a network.