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Program Introduction: Client-Server File Transfer

The Client-Server File Transfer program demonstrates a simple file transfer mechanism between a client and a server using Java socket programming. This application allows the client to send a text file to the server, which then saves the content of the file as a new text file.

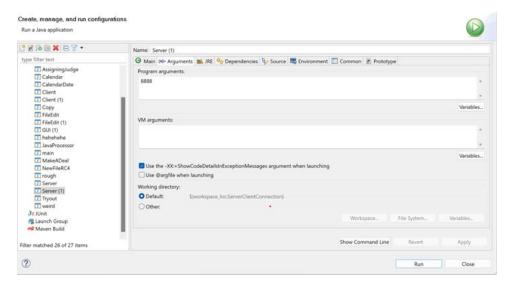
Key Features:

- Client-Server Communication: The program establishes a connection between a client and a server, enabling communication for file transfer.
- **File Transfer:** The client sends the contents of a specified text file to the server, which saves the content as a new text file.

Execution Steps:

1. Server Execution:

- Run the server class and provide a port number for the server to listen on.
- The server starts listening on the specified port 8888.



The above action provides port number 8888 for the server to listen to.

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            public static void main(String[] args) {
                // Check if correct number of arguments is provided
if (args.length < 1) {</pre>
                      System.err.println("Please provide a port number.");
                      return:
                 // Extract the port number from command-line arguments
                 int port = Integer.parseInt(args[0]); // Port specified as a command-line argument
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                try (ServerSocket serverSocket = new ServerSocket(port)) {
                     // Server started message
System.out.println("Server is listening on port " + port);
                      while (true) {
                             Accept client connection
                          Socket clientSocket = serverSocket.accept();
                          System.out.println("Client is connected successfully");
                          // Set up input and output streams for file transfer
InputStream inputStream = clientSocket.getInputStream();
                          FileOutputStream fileOutputStream = new FileOutputStream("received_file.txt");
                          // Read data from client and save it to a file
                          byte[] buffer = new byte[1024];
                          int bytesRead;
                          while ((bytesRead = inputStream.read(buffer)) != -1) {
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    Server is listening on port 8888
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After providing the port number to the application, the server is now listening on port 8888.

2. Client Execution:

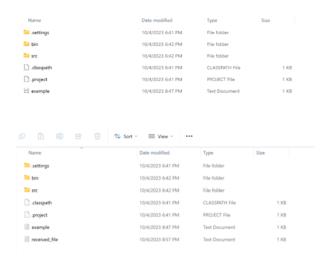
• Run the client class and provide the server's IP address and the desired port number.

3. Client-Server Interaction:

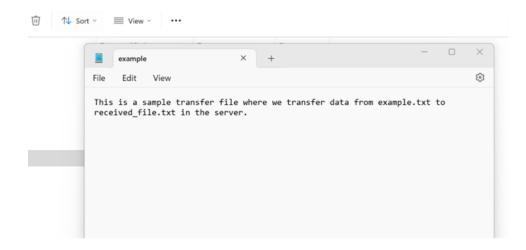
- The client attempts to connect to the server using the provided IP address and port.
- Upon successful connection, the client can send the contents of the "example.txt" file.

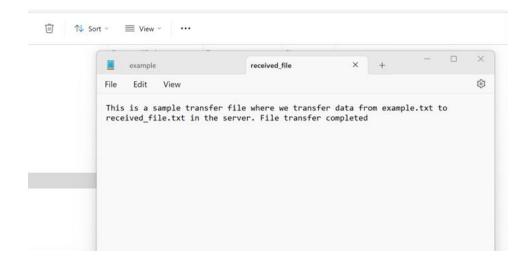
4. File Transfer:

- The server receives the file sent by the client and saves it as "received file.txt".
- The contents of the client's file are transferred and saved in the server's file.



5. The received_file.txt is created at the same directory where the server application is running.





Conclusion:

This program serves as a foundational example for understanding socket programming and file transfer between a client and a server in Java.