MNC Project

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Chat Application (Part I)

Abstract:

In order to build a peer-to-peer chat application we have used TCP Protocol for communication. The major reason been that TCP protocol guarantees reliability which UDP fails to provide.

Design Diagram:

Client

Server

(Listens at Port: 9996)

Client

Server

(Listens at Port: 9997)

PEER 2

PEER 1

(Note: As we run the application on Local Host, Peer1 and Peer2 server listens on two different ports. In real applications same ports can be used to listen as those two process would ideally run on two different machines)

Code Explanation:

We have used Java 8 for building the chat application. Our Part A consists of 3 files namely Peer1.java, ServerThread.java and ClientThread.java. Let us look into role of each file in our project.

1. Peer1.java

**public** **class** Peer1 {

**public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {

Thread Ser = **new** Thread(**new** ServerThread(9996));

Thread cli = **new** Thread(**new** ClientThread(9997));

Ser.start();

cli.start();

}

}

Peer1.java file contains the main function which is the beginning point for our project. The above code creates two different threads for Server and Client. Those threads are started using the function start ( ). The “9996” mentioned in the ServerThread is the port number Peer 1 would listen to. “9997” is the port number the client of Peer1 would connect to. The server of Peer 2 would be listening at port “9997”.

1. ServerThread.java

**public** **class** ServerThread **implements** Runnable{

**int** port;

**public** ServerThread(**int** port)

{

**this**.port = port;

}

@Override

**public** **void** run() {

ServerSocket serSoc = **null**;

**try** {

serSoc = **new** ServerSocket(port);

}

**catch** (IOException e1) {

e1.printStackTrace();

}

**int** b = 0;

**char** c;

String a = "";

**byte** [] buffer = **new** **byte**[100];

**try** {

**while**(**true**) {

Socket soc = serSoc.accept();

b = 0;

InputStream in = soc.getInputStream();

in.read(buffer);

a = **new** String(buffer).trim();

System.***out***.println("She: " + a);

OutputStream os = soc.getOutputStream();

os.write("ACK".getBytes());

Arrays.*fill*(buffer, (**byte**)0);

os.flush();

soc.close();

}

}

**catch**(Exception e)

{

System.***out***.println(e);

}

}

}

ServerThread.java contains the logic for the peer server. The ServerThread.java performs the following important tasks

1. Creating a server socket that continuously listens to a mentioned port number.

ServerSocket soc = new ServerSocket(portnumber);

1. Listen to the socket. Once a client connects provide a different port for connection establishment. This is in fact done to make sure that the server keeps on listening to the mentioned port.

Socket soc = serSoc.accept();

1. The “soc” is further used to communicate with the client using inputstream and outputstream. The InputStream “in” is used to send data while the OutputStream “os” is used to receive data from other peer.

InputStream in = soc.getInputStream();

OutputStream os = soc.getOutputStream();

1. A byte array “buffer” is used to read the incoming data. It is necessary to clear the buffer as it may contain previous byte data.

**byte** [] buffer = **new** **byte**[100]; // Declaring a buffer

Arrays.*fill*(buffer, (**byte**)0); // Clearing the buffer

1. Once the communication is done it is important to close the socket. As a socket is a resource which should be released once it’s use is complete. In complex applications this play an important role.

soc.close()

1. Finally, it is necessary that the server is always up, So infinite while loop is used to ensure the same.

(Note: A final “ACK” message is sent from server to client after each message is received by the server. This is done to ensure synchronization of the processes.)

1. ClientThread.java

**public** **class** ClientThread **implements** Runnable {

**int** port;

**public** ClientThread(**int** port)

{

**this**.port = port;

}

@Override

**public** **void** run() {

String msg;

Scanner scan = **new** Scanner(System.***in***);

System.***out***.println("Start the conversation");

**while**(**true**)

{

msg = scan.nextLine();

System.***out***.println("You: " + msg);

**try** {

Socket socket = **new** Socket("localhost",port);

OutputStream out = socket.getOutputStream();

InputStream in = socket.getInputStream();

**byte** [] buffer = **new** **byte**[50];

out.write(msg.getBytes());

in.read(buffer);

String a = **new** String(buffer).trim();

**if**(a.equals("ACK") ) {

out.flush();

out.close();

socket.close();

}

} **catch** (IOException e) {

System.***out***.println("");

e.printStackTrace();

}

}

}

}

ClientThread.java contains the logic for the peer server. The ClientThread.java performs the following important tasks

1. Creating a socket that connects to other peer’s Server. The Socket constructor takes two arguments. First is the IP Address and the second is the port number.

Socket socket = **new** Socket("localhost",port);

1. If it is connected to the server, a socket is created through which it can communicate with the server. Otherwise an exception would be thrown stating “unable to connect to the Server port.”

So it is necessary that the server is running when the client tries to connect.

1. The “socket” created is further used to communicate with the server using inputstream and outputstream. The InputStream “in” is used to send data while the OutputStream “os” is used to receive data from other peer.

InputStream in = socket.getInputStream();

OutputStream out = socket.getOutputStream();

1. A byte array “buffer” is used to read the incoming data. It is necessary to clear the buffer as it may contain previous byte data.

**byte** [] buffer = **new** **byte**[50]; // Declaring a buffer

Arrays.*fill*(buffer, (**byte**)0); // Clearing the buffer

1. Once the communication is done it is important to close the socket. As a socket is a resource which should be released once it’s use is complete. In complex applications this play an important role.

socket.close()

1. Finally, in order to ensure that the chat application is always active the client code is put into infinite while loop.

File Transfer Application (Part II)

Abstract:

In order to build a peer-to-peer File Transfer application that needs control over transmission rate it is ideal to use UDP. UDP does not implement Flow or Congestion Control which can help us attain high speed. But it does not ensure reliability due to which we opted for TCP. UDP would be an ideal choice if we could ensure reliability at application level.

Flowchart:

The design diagram for Part II is same as Part I.

Accept Transmission Rate as User Input

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Connect to Peer 1

Connect to Peer 2

Enter the required file

Ask for a file

Return all file name Peer 2 has

Transfer the file at mentioned Transmission Rate

Display File Transfer Completed

Display File Size and Actual Transmission Rate

PEER 1 PEER 2

(This explains a scenario when PEER 1 asks for a file from PEER 2 and PEER 2 sends the file. The roles would be switched if PEER 2 asks for a file and PEER 1 sends the file)

Transmission Rate Control:

In order to control Transmission Rate we have used Thread.sleep(). Suppose a user mentions 80 Mbps as transmission rate i.e. 8 MB/Second. We keep a track of the number of bytes transmitted. Suppose 8 MB data is transmitted in 0.7 seconds (or 700 milliseconds), we stop transmitting for 0.3 seconds (or 300 milliseconds, that is call Thread.sleep(300 milliseconds). So Eventually the transmission rate is limited to 8 MB/sec or 80 Mbps.

Code Explanation:

We have used Java 8 for building this application. Our Part B consists of 4 files namely Handler.java, Server.java, Client.java, FileDir.java. Let us look into role of each file in our project.

1. Handler.java

This file contains the main function which is the beginning point for our application. The above code creates two different threads for Server and Client. Those threads are started using the function start ( ). The “9996” mentioned in the ServerThread is the port number Peer 1 would listen to. “9997” is the port number the client of Peer1 would connect to. The server of Peer 2 would be listening at port “9997”.

**public** **class** Handler {

**public** **static** **void** main(String[] args) {

// **TODO** Auto-generated method stub

System.***out***.println("Please Mention the Transmission Rate in

Megabits per Second:");

Scanner scan = **new** Scanner(System.***in***);

Thread Ser = **new** Thread(**new** Server(9996,scan.nextInt()));

Thread cli = **new** Thread(**new** Client(9997));

Ser.start();

cli.start();

}

}

Transmission Rate is taken as a user input and then passed on to the Server thread.

1. FileDir.java

The code is used to get all the files in a specified directory. These filenames are further passed to the other Peer. So Peer can now choose from a range of file which he requires

**public** **class** FileDir {

**public** File[] finder( String dirName){

File dir = **new** File(dirName);

**return** dir.listFiles(**new** FilenameFilter() {

**public** **boolean** accept(File dir, String filename)

{ **return** filename.endsWith(".txt"); }

} );

}

**public** File[] finderpdf( String dirName){

File dir = **new** File(dirName);

**return** dir.listFiles(**new** FilenameFilter() {

**public** **boolean** accept(File dir, String filename)

{ **return** filename.endsWith(".pdf"); }

} );

}

}

1. Sever.java

This part of code performs all the activities mentioned in Part A, such as ServerSocket creation, listening to the port and transferring data.

Apart from that it performs the major task of controlling the transmission rate. The logic is discussed earlier in the report. This part of the code takes care of it.

**while**((c = fin.read(k))!= -1)

{

os.write(k);

Arrays.*fill*(k, (**byte**)0);

size = size + 1024;

temp = temp + 1024;

**if**(temp>transRate)

{

midTime = System.*currentTimeMillis*() - startTime;

**if**(1000-midTime>0)

{

Thread.*sleep*(1000 - midTime);

}

temp = 0;

startTime = System.*currentTimeMillis*();

}

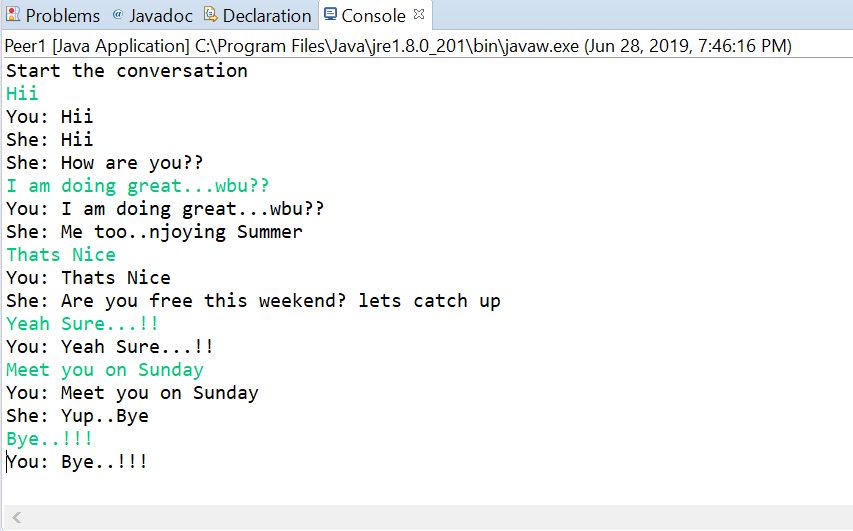
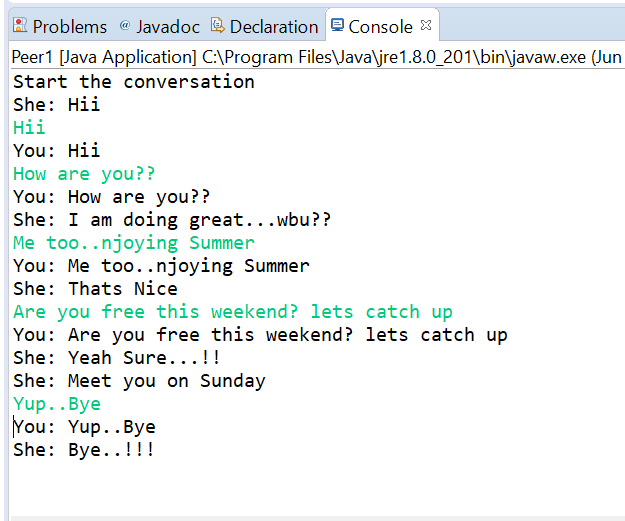
At the end of the file Transfer the Server displays the File Size and the actual rate at which file was transmitted in Mbps.

1. Client.java

This part of code performs all the activities mentioned in Part A, such as Socket creation, connecting to the other Peer and transferring data. Apart from this, it enables user to receive a list of files available from other Peer and then choose the required file. It also displays a message upon file received.

Result Screenshots:

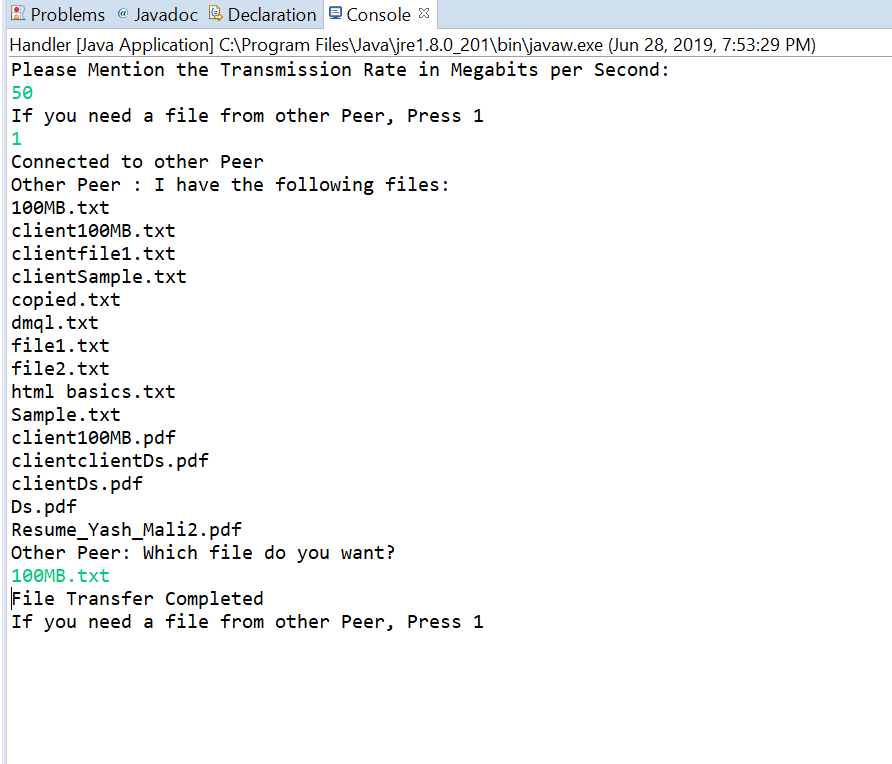
Part A (Chat Application ):

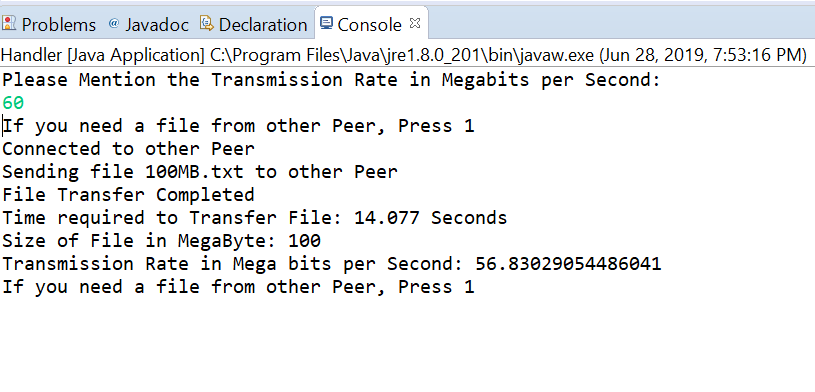
Peer 1 Peer 2

Part B (File Transfer Application) :

1. Peer 1 asking for files from Peer 2

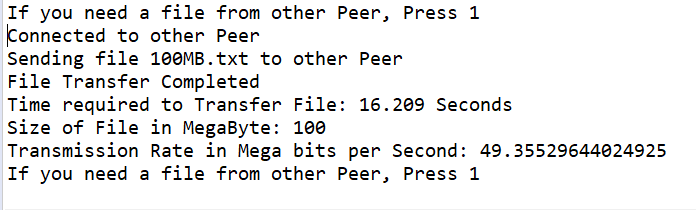


Peer 1 acting as Receiver

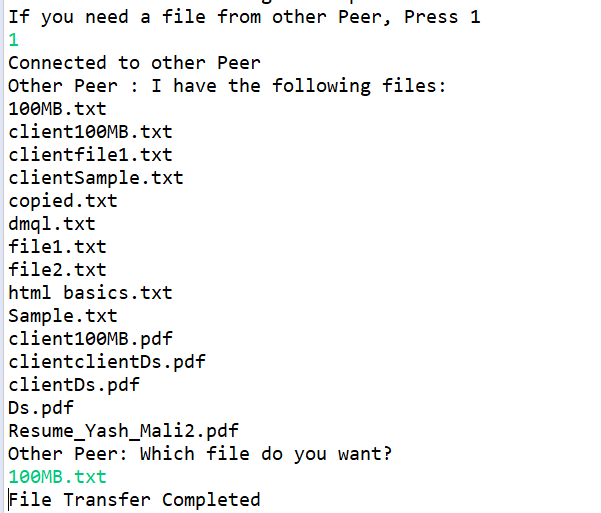


Peer 2 acting as Sender (Transmission Rate : 60 Mbps , Actual : 56.8 Mbps)

1. Peer 2 asking for files from Peer 1



Peer 1 acting as Sender (Transmission Rate : 50 Mbps , Actual : 49.35 Mbps)



Peer 2 acting as Receiver

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