Homework Assignment 1: Chat Client

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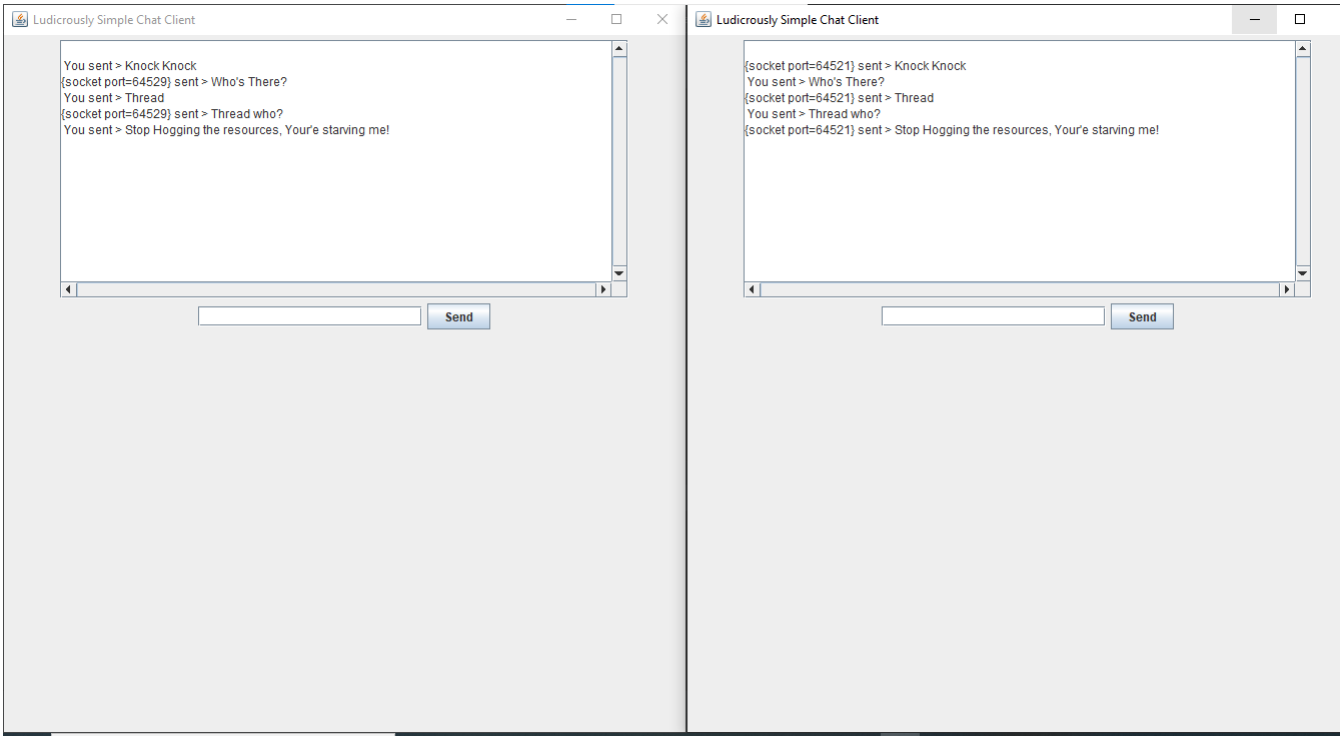
1 Chat Clients



2 Text Emitted By Server and Clients

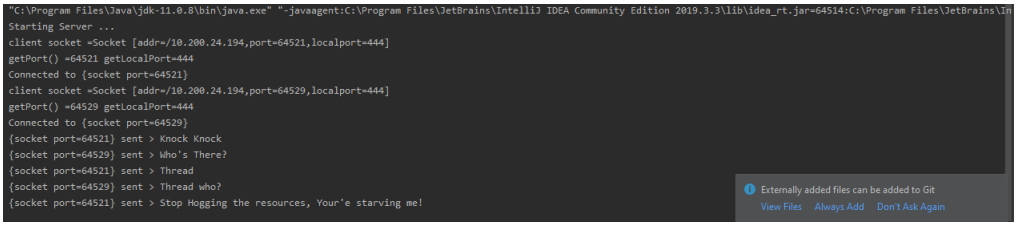


Figure 1: Server Window

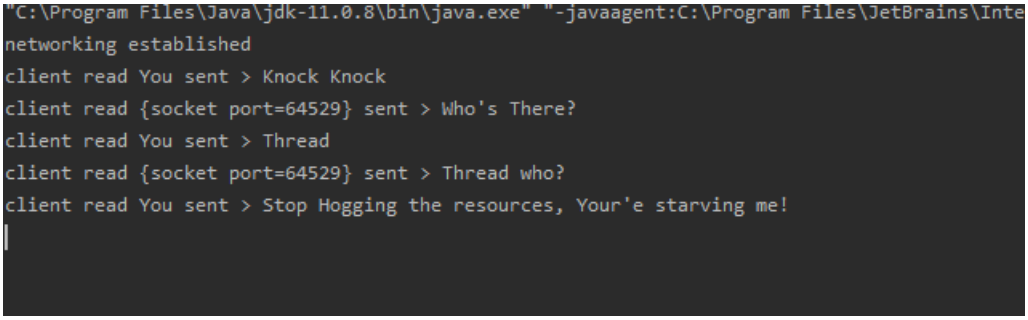


Figure 2: Client 1

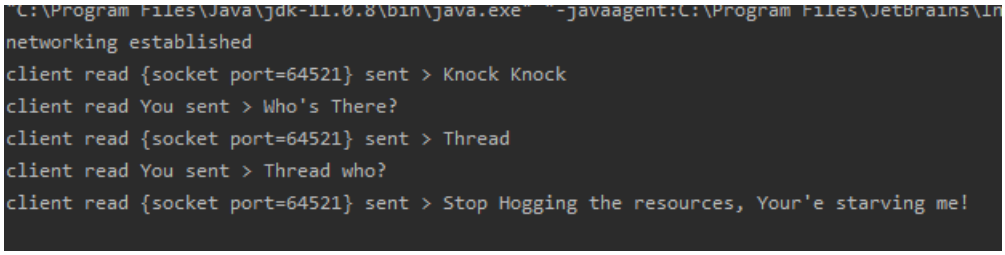


Figure 3: Client 2

3 Mechanism to Distinguish between Clients

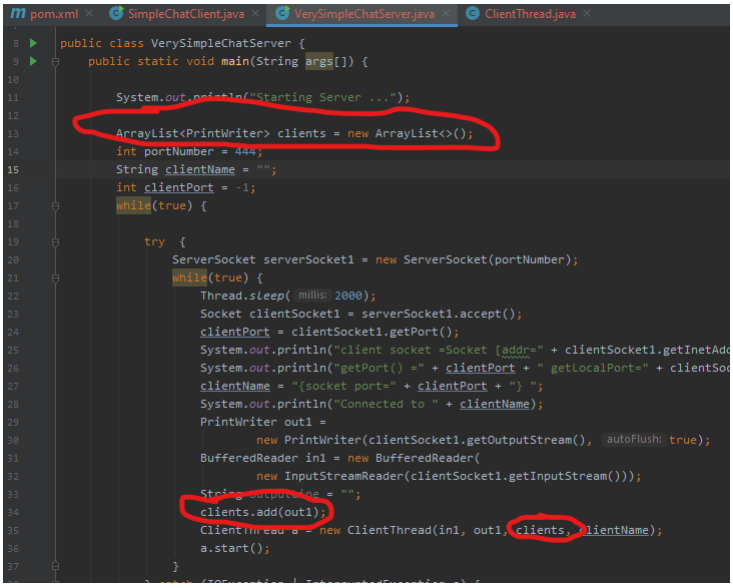
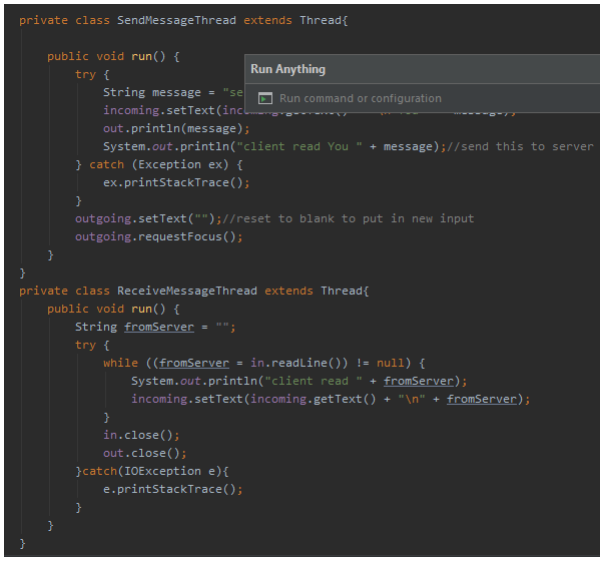


Figure 4: The server maintains a list of Clients that are connected to the server by storing their output streams. This way a client message can be sent to all the Clients connected with the server. The next figure shows how we ensure a client doesn't send a message to himself

```
public void run() {
    String message = "";
    try {
        while ((message = fromClient.readLine()) != null) {
            message = clientName + message;
            System.out.println(message);//assumes there is a
            for(PrintWriter pw: clientsList){
                if(pw != clientSignature){
                    pw.println(message);
                }
            }
        }
```

Figure 5: This code is the task of a typical thread created by the server that deals with indivdual clients, sending their messages when they send one. As you can see we send the message to every pw, that is th PrintWriter/output stream, in the list of clients. However, before a thread will send the message it checks that the outputstream is not the same one of the client it is representing. Therefore, the thread will send the message to all the clients BUT its own

4 Client Transmit and receive messages simultaneously




```
private class SendMessageThread extends Thread{

    public void run() {
        try {
            String message = "se
            incoming.setText(inc
            out.println(message);
            System.out.println("client read You " + message);//send this to server
        } catch (Exception ex) {
            ex.printStackTrace();
        }
        outgoing.setText("");//reset to blank to put in new input
        outgoing.requestFocus();
    }
}
private class ReceiveMessageThread extends Thread{
    public void run() {
        String fromServer = "";
        try {
            while ((fromServer = in.readLine()) != null) {
                System.out.println("client read " + fromServer);
                incoming.setText(incoming.getText() + "\n" + fromServer);
            }
            in.close();
            out.close();
        }catch(IOException e){
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
    }
}
```

Figure 6: These two private classes of SimpleChatClient model a Thread that will deal with sending/transmitting messages and a Thread that will deal with receiving messages

```
        //thread
        ReceiveMessageThread receiver = new ReceiveMessageThread();
        receiver.start();
        //
    }



    public class SendButtonListener implements ActionListener {
        public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent ev) {
            SendMessageThread sender = new SendMessageThread();
            sender.start();
        }
    }
```

Figure 7: This code shows the Client instantiating those Threads. The actionPerformed() method creates and executes a Sender Thread whenever the Send button is pressed. The Receiver Thread, which is pointed to with a red arrow, is at the end of the go() function and updates the client window with any incoming messages. Therefore the SimpleChatClient class can concurrently transmit and receive messages