

```

class Client1
{
    public static void main(String args[] )
    throws Exception
    {
        //create client socket with same port number
        Socket s = new Socket("localhost", 777);
        //to read data coming from server, attach InputStream to the socket
        InputStream obj = s.getInputStream();
        //to read data from the socket into the client, use BufferedReader
        BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(obj));
        //receive strings
        String str;
        while((str = br.readLine()) != null)
        System.out.println("From server: "+str);
        //close connection by closing the streams and sockets
        br.close();
        s.close();
    }
}

```

Output:

```

D:\rnr> javac Client1.java
D:\rnr>

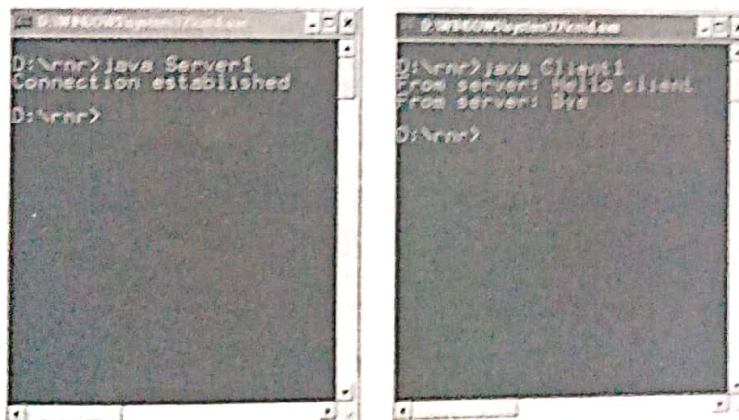
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To run the server and client in the same system:

After compiling server1.java and client1.java, run these programs in two separate dos windows, as shown in the output.

To run in different systems:

Run the server1.java in a computer and client1.java in another. They should have been connected in a network.



Run the Server1.java in a DOS window, the server would be in waiting state, expecting a connection from a client. Then run client1.java in another DOS window. Immediately the connection is established, and at server side it displays "Connection established". Then it sends two strings "Hello client" and "Bye" to the client, which are received and displayed at client terminal. When the server disconnects, it sends a null string to the client. When client receives null, it also disconnects.

## Two-way Communication between Server and Client

It is possible to send data from the server and receive the response from the client. Similarly, the client can also send and receive the data to-and-fro. For this purpose, we need additional streams

both at server and client. For example, to receive data into the server, it is a better idea to use `BufferedReader` as:

```
InputStream obj = s.getInputStream();
BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(obj));
```

Then `read()` or `readLine()` methods of `BufferedReader` class can be used to read data. To send data from the client, we can take the help of `DataOutputStream` as:

```
OutputStream obj = s.getOutputStream();
DataOutputStream dos = new DataOutputStream(obj);
```

Then `writeBytes()` method of `DataOutputStream` can be used to send strings in the form of groups of bytes.

**Program 6:** Write a program to create a server such that the server receives data from the client using `BufferedReader` and then sends reply to the client using `PrintStream`.

```
//Server2 - A server that receives data and sends data
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
class Server2
{
    public static void main(String args[ ])
    throws Exception
    {
        //Create server socket
        ServerSocket ss = new ServerSocket(888);
        //connect it to client socket
        Socket s = ss.accept();
        System.out.println("Connection established");
        //to send data to the client
        PrintStream ps = new PrintStream(s.getOutputStream());
        //to read data coming from the client
        BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new
            InputStreamReader(s.getInputStream()));
        //to read data from the key board
        BufferedReader kb = new BufferedReader(new
            InputStreamReader(System.in));
        while(true) //server executes continuously
        {
            String str, str1;
            //repeat as long as client does not send null string
            while((str = br.readLine()) != null) //read from client
            {
                System.out.println(str);
                str1 = kb.readLine();
                ps.println(str1); //send to client
            }
            //close connection
            ps.close();
            br.close();
            kb.close();
            ss.close();
            s.close();
            System.exit(0); //terminate application
        } //end of while
    }
}
```

Output:

```
D:\rnr> javac Sever2.java
```



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**Program 7:** Write a program to create a client which first connects to a server, then starts the communication by sending a string to the server. The server sends response to the client. When 'exit' is typed at client side, the program terminates.

```
//Client2 - a client that sends data and receives also
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
class Client2
{
    public static void main(String args[ ])
    throws Exception
    {
        //Create client socket
        Socket s = new Socket("localhost", 888);
        //to send data to the server
        DataOutputStream dos = new DataOutputStream(s.getOutputStream());
        //to read data coming from the server
        BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new
        InputStreamReader(s.getInputStream()));
        //to read data from the key board
        BufferedReader kb = new BufferedReader(new
        InputStreamReader(System.in));
        String str, str1;
        //repeat as long as exit is not typed at client
        while(!(str = kb.readLine()).equals("exit"))
        {
            dos.writeBytes(str+"\n"); //send to server
            str1 = br.readLine(); //receive from server
            System.out.println(str1);
        }
        //close connection.
        dos.close();
        br.close();
        kb.close();
        s.close();
    }
}
```

Output:

```
D:\rnr> javac Client2.java
D:\rnr>
```

Run the server2.java and client2.java in two dos windows.

See the output while running these programs.

```
D:\rnr> java Server2
Connection established
Hello, is there any one?
Yes, I am Swapna here
Hello Swapna, how are U?
I am fine.
How are your studies ?
Fine.
```

```
D:\rnr> java Client2
Hello, is there any one?
Yes, I am Swapna here
Hello Swapna, how are U?
I am fine.
How are your studies ?
Fine.
exit
```



## Retrieving a file at server

Let us write client and server programs, such that the client sends the name of a file to the server. After receiving the filename, the server searches for the file to know if it exists or not. If the file exists, the server sends the file contents to the client. This is shown in Programs 8 and 9, which are self-explanatory.

**Program 8:** Write a program that accepts the filename and checks for its existence. When the file exists at server side, it sends its contents to the client.

```
//A server that sends a file content to the client
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;
class FileServer
{
    public static void main(String args[ ]) throws Exception
    {
        //create server socket
        ServerSocket ss = new ServerSocket(8888);

        //make the server wait till a client accepts connection
        Socket s = ss.accept();
        System.out.println("Connection established");

        //to accept file name from client
        BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new
            InputStreamReader(s.getInputStream()));

        //to send file contents to client
        DataOutputStream out = new DataOutputStream(s.getOutputStream());

        //read the filename from the client
        String fname = in.readLine();

        FileReader fr = null;
        BufferedReader file = null;
        boolean flag;

        //create File class object with filename
        File f = new File(fname);

        //test if file exists or not
        if(f.exists()) flag = true;
        else flag = false;

        //if file exists, send "Yes" to client, else send "No"
        if(flag == true) out.writeBytes("Yes"+"\\n");
        else out.writeBytes("No"+"\\n");

        if(flag == true)
        {
            //attach file to the FileReader to read data
            fr = new FileReader(fname);

            //attach FileReader to BufferedReader
            file = new BufferedReader(fr);

            String str;

            //read from BufferedReader and write to DataOutputStream
            while((str = file.readLine()) != null)
            {
                out.writeBytes(str+"\\n");
            }
        }
    }
}
```



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        out.close();
        in.close();
        fr.close();
        s.close();
        ss.close();
    }
}

```

Output:

```

D:\rnr> javac FileServer.java
D:\rnr>

```

This is a server program that receives the file name from the client and if file exists, it sends "Yes", otherwise "No" to the client. This helps the client to understand whether the file really exists at server or not. Then this server program sends the file contents to the client if the file exists.

**Program 9:** Write a client program to accept a file name from the keyboard and send that name to the server. The client receives the file contents from the server.

```

//FileClient - receiving a file content
import java.io.*;
import java.net.*;

class FileClient
{
    public static void main(String args[ ]) throws Exception
    {
        //Create client socket
        Socket s = new Socket("localhost", 8888);
        //accept filename from keyboard
        BufferedReader kb = new BufferedReader(new
            InputStreamReader(System.in));

        System.out.print("Enter filename: ");
        String fname = kb.readLine();

        //send filename to the server using DataOutputStream
        DataOutputStream out = new DataOutputStream(s.getOutputStream());
        out.writeBytes(fname+"\n");

        //to read data coming from the server
        BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new
            InputStreamReader(s.getInputStream()));

        String str;

        //read first line from server into str
        str = in.readLine();

        //if file is found server returns "Yes", else "No"
        if(str.equals("Yes"))
        {
            //read and display the file contents coming from server
            while((str = in.readLine()) != null)
                System.out.println(str);

            //close connection by closing the streams.
            kb.close();
            out.close();
            in.close();
        }
    }
}

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    }
    else system.out.println("File not found");
}
}

```

Output:

```

D:\nrr> javac fileClient.java
D:\nrr>

```

This is a client program that accepts a file name from the keyboard and sends that name to the server. Then it reads the first line sent by the server. If it is Yes, then the file exists at server. If it is No then the file is not found at server. If file exists, then its contents are displayed at the client. Run the fileserver.java and fileclient.java programs in two dos windows.

```

D:\nrr> javac FileServer.java
D:\nrr> java FileServer
Connection established
D:\nrr> java FileServer
Connection established
D:\nrr>

D:\nrr> javac FileClient.java
D:\nrr> java FileClient
Enter filename: myfile.txt
this is third line
this is my file line one
this is lksdf
D:\nrr> java FileClient
Enter filename: xyz
File not found
D:\nrr>

```

## Conclusion

The classes of `java.net` package internally use TCP/IP and UDP protocols that are responsible for sending and receiving data. We can also establish communication between a server and a client by creating server socket and client socket. This is called 'socket programming'. The data can be then sent or received between sockets, with the help of streams. However, socket programming offers only basic networking. If we want to achieve sophisticated client-server communication, we should look forward to servlets, JSPs (Java Server Pages), etc.