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ABSTRACT

The JNI is a native programming interface. It allows Java code that runs inside a Java Virtual Machine (JVM) to interoperate with applications and libraries written in other programming languages, such as C, C++, and assembly. JNI enables one to write native methods to handle situations when an application cannot be written entirely in the Java programming language.

The JNI framework lets a native method use Java objects in the same way that Java code uses these objects. The advantage of JNI are that using JNI, we can access c and c++ code which adds performance boost to JAVA.JNI allows JAVA to access some hardware features using other languages like c and c++.

RMI (Remote Method Invocation) is a way that a programr, using the Java programming language and development environment, can write object-oriented programming in which objects on different computers can interact in a distributed network.

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1.Introduction

This project CALLING SERVER SIDE C PROGRAM FROM JAVA THROUGH JNI AND RMI is about making a request from the client side that is java program and getting the final results from the server side that is the C program via JNI.

Through this project we can make an effort to let a native method use Java objects. Through this project we can access c and c++ code which adds performance boost to JAVA. This project allows JAVA to access some hardware features using other languages like c and c++.

2. Problem Analysis

When an application cannot be written entirely in the Java programming language, we use JNI that enables one to write native methods to handle such situations, e.g. when the standard Java class library does not support the platform-specific features or program library. It is also used to modify an existing application—written in another programming language—to be accessible to Java applications.

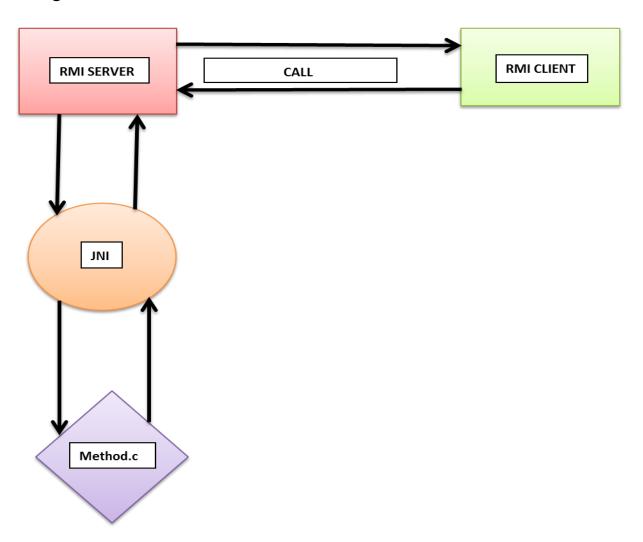
We are using RMI because RMI (Remote Method Invocation) is a way that a programr, using the Java programming language and development environment, can write object-oriented programming in which objects on different computers can interact in a distributed network. RMI is the Java version of what is generally known as a remote procedure call (RPC), but with the ability to pass one or more objects along with the request. The object can include information that will change the service that is performed in the remote computer. For example, when a user at a remote computer fills out an expense account, the Java program interacting with the user could communicate, using RMI, with a Java program in another computer that always had the latest policy about expense reporting. In reply, that program would send back an object and

associated method information that would enable the remote computer program to screen the user's expense account data in a way that was consistent with the latest policy. The user and the company both would save time by catching mistakes early. Whenever the company policy changed, it would require a change to a program in only one computer. An RMI request is a request to invoke the method of a remote object. The request has the same syntax as a request to invoke an object method in the same (local) computer. In general, RMI is designed to preserve the object model and its advantages across a network.

So, here in our project RMI client (i.e., java client) makes a request to the RMI server (c server) and through JNI.

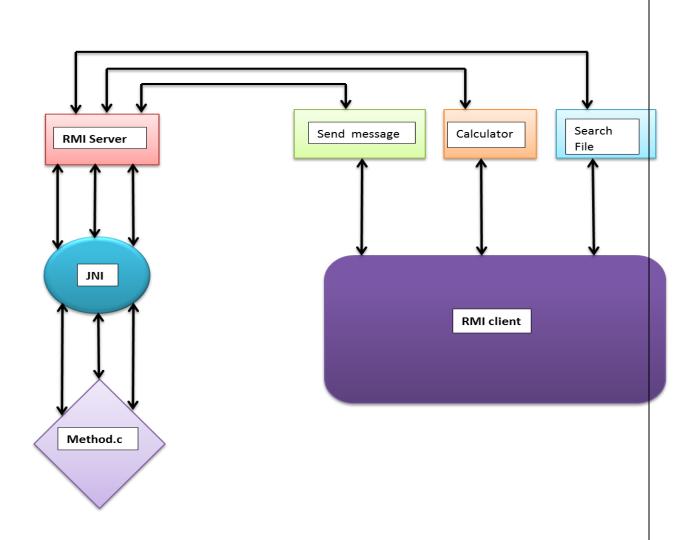
3. PROBLEM DISCUSSION

Our aim is to send a request from a RMI client (java client) to the RMI server (c server) through JNI. And getting the results back though the server via JNI.



Here the RMI client makes a request to the RMI server and RMI server through JNI

calls the methods.c program. methods.c returns the result through JNI and RMI server to the RMI client.



When we are sending a request for example sending a message from RMI client to the RMI server, that time we have a program nativethisorthatserver impl.java and the client is calling that program in the RMI server. Now the nativethisorthatserver impl.java calls the native method that is method.c program. The method.c program processes the result and sends it back through the RMI server to the RMI client.

4.JNI

➤ Role of JNI:

When the Java platform is deployed on top of host environments, it may become

desirable or necessary to allow Java applications to work closely with native code

written in other languages. Programrs have begun to adopt the Java platform to

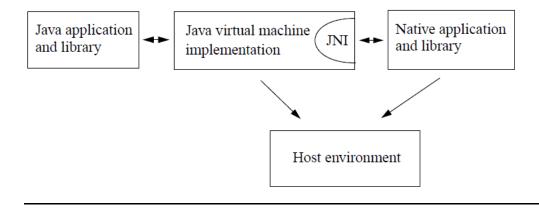
build applications that were traditionally written in C and C++. Because of the existing investment in legacy code, however, Java applications will coexist with C and C++ code for many years to come.

The JNI is a powerful feature that allows us to take advantage of the Java

platform, but still utilize code written in other languages. As a part of the Java virtual

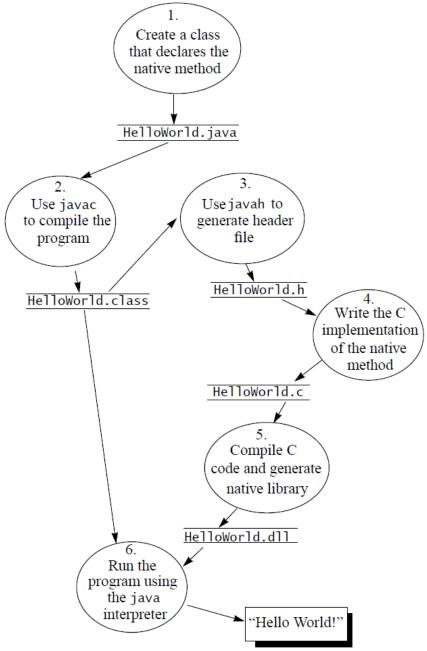
machine implementation, the JNI is a *two-way* interface that allows Java

applications to invoke native code and vice versa.



➤ Using the JNI:

- 1. Create a class (HelloWorld.java) that declares the native method.
- 2. Use javac to compile the HelloWorld source file, resulting in the class file HelloWorld.class. The javac compiler is supplied with JDK or Java 2 SDK releases.
- 3. Use javah -jni to generate a C header file (HelloWorld.h) containing the function prototype for the native method implementation. The javah tool is provided with JDK or Java 2 SDK releases.
- 4. Write the C implementation (HelloWorld.c) of the native method.
- 5. Compile the C implementation into a native library, creating HelloWorld.dll or libHelloWorld.so. Use the C compiler and linker available on the host environment.
- 6. Run the HelloWorld program using the java runtime interpreter. Both the class file (HelloWorld.class) and the native library (HelloWorld.dll or libHelloWorld.so) are loaded at runtime.



When we are embedding C in Java we have the following steps:

Declare the method using the keyword native, provide no implementation.

Make sure the Java loads the needed library Run the javah utility to generate names/headers Implement the method in C Compile as a shared library We are illustrating this with an example below:

```
class HelloWorld
{
   public
                                     void
                    native
displayHelloWorld();
   static
          System.loadLibrary("hello");
   public static void main(String[]
args)
   {
          new
HelloWorld().displayHelloWorld();
   }
When generating JNI Header we have the following
steps:
Compile HelloWorld.java
-javac HelloWorld.java
Generate HelloWorld.h
-javah HelloWorld
HelloWorld.h
#include "jni.h"
/* Header for class HelloWorld */
#ifndef Included HelloWorld
#define Included HelloWorld
```

```
#ifdef cplusplus
     extern "C" {
#endif
/*
 * Class: HelloWorld
 * Method: displayHelloWorld
 * Signature: ()V
JNIEXPORT void JNICALL
Java HelloWorld displayHelloWorld(JNIEnv*env,jobject)
#ifdef __cplusplus
  }
                                                 The JVM
#endif
                             The calling object
                                                reference
#endif
HelloWorldImp.c
#include <jni.h>
#include "HelloWorld.h"
#include <stdio.h>
JNIEXPORT void JNICALL
Java HelloWorld displayHelloWorld(JNIEnv*env,jobject
obj)
{
   printf("Hello world!\n");
   return:
```

5.RMI

The remote method invocation is an API that provides a mechanism to create distributed application IN JAVA. The rmi allows an object to invoke methods on an object running in another JVM. The RMI provides remote communication between the application using two objects stub and skeleton.

RMI uses stub and skeleton object for communication with the remote object. A remote object is an object whose method can be invoked from another JVM.

>STUB:

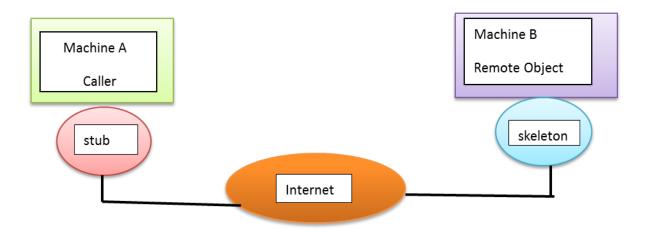
The stub is an object which acts as a gateway for the client side. All the outgoing request are routed through it. It resides at the client side and represents the remote object. When the caller invokes method the stub object, it does the following tasks:

- 1.it initiates a connection with remote virtual machine(JVM)
- 2.It writes and transmits (marshals)the parameters to the remote virtual machine(JVM).
- 3.It waits for the result.
- 4.It reads (unmarshals)the return value or exception.
- 5.It finally, returns the value to the caller.

> SKELETON:

The skleton is an object which acts as a gateway for the server side object. All the incoming request are routed through it when the skeleton receives the incoming request it does the following tasks:

- 1.it reads the parameter for the remothe method.
- 2. it invokes the method on the actual remote object.
- 3it writes and transmits (marshals) the result to the caller.

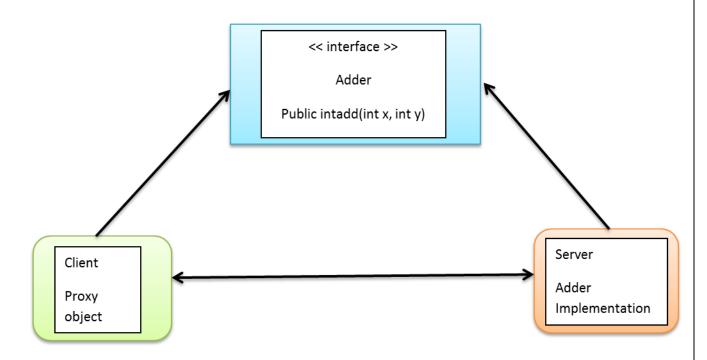


Steps to write RMI program

- 1.Create the remote interface
- 2.provide the implementation of remote interface.
- 3. compile the implementation class and create the stub and skeleton object using rmic tool.
- 4.start the registry service by rmiregistry tool.
- 5. create and start remote application
- 6. create and start client application.

Example of creating simple RMI application:

In this example we have followed all the six steps to create and run the rmi application. The client application need only two files remote interface and client application. In the rmi application both client and server interacts with the remote interface the client application invokes methods on the proxy object, rmi sends the request to the remote jvm. The return value is send back to the proxy object and then to the client application.



6. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS

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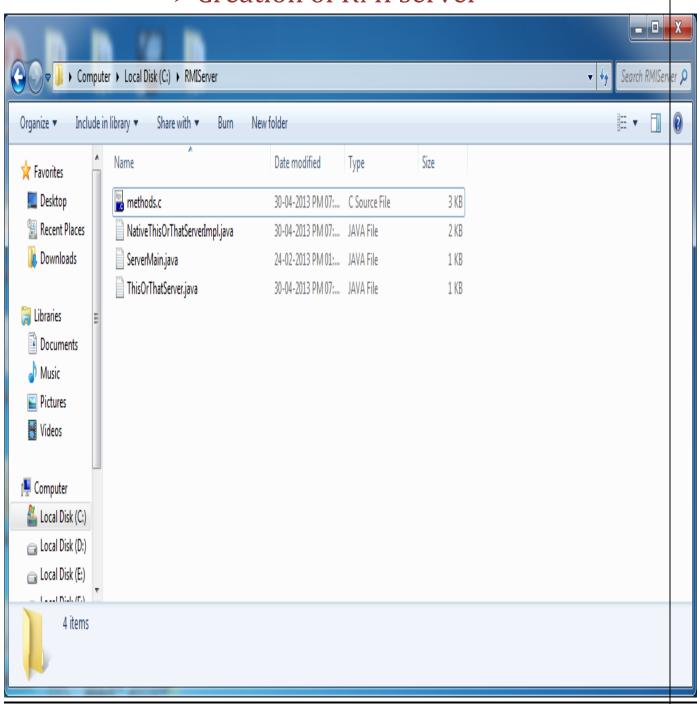
- 1. ThisorThatServer.java: Here we just declare dothis, dothat, add, substract, multiply, division and search file method.
- 2. NativeThisorThatServer.java: Here basically we implement dothis, dothat, add, substract, multiply, division and search file method.
- 3. NativeThisorThatServerimpl.h: This is the JNI header file.
- 4. method.c: here dothis, dothat, add, substract, multiply, division and search file operations are performed.
- 5. ServerMain.java: while running this the server gets ready.

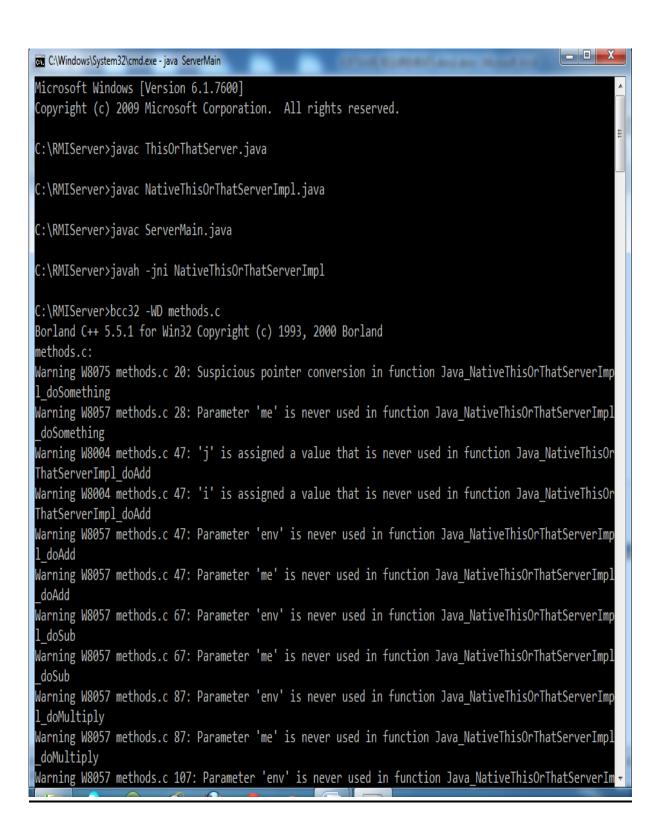
In the RMIClientGUI we have the following:

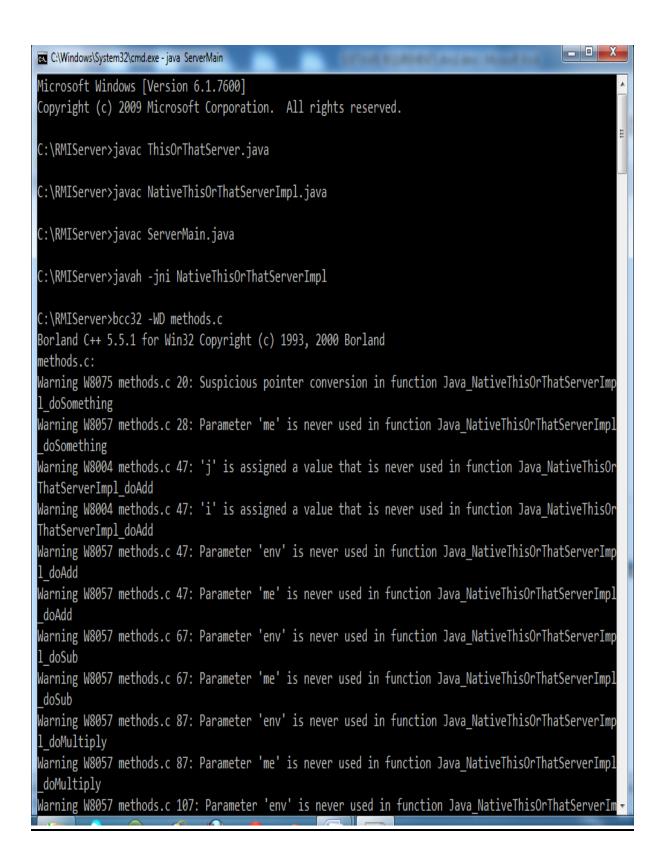
- 1. Client.java: here the operations which have to be performed are written. These are main, average, calculator and search file.
- 2. Calculator.java: in this prograg the calculation operations that had tobe performed are written. They are mainly addition substraction, multiplication and division.
- 3. Searchfile.java: this program search a particular file in server.

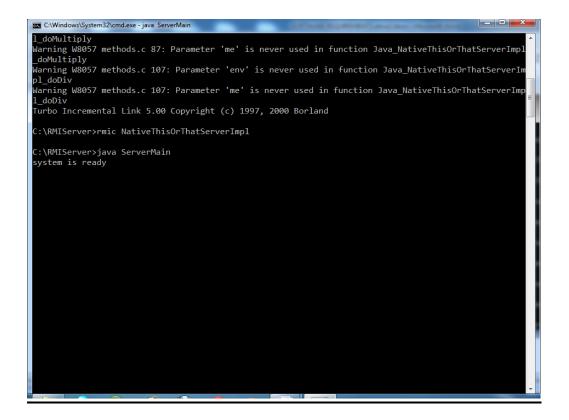
7. Screen shots:

➤ Creation of RMI server

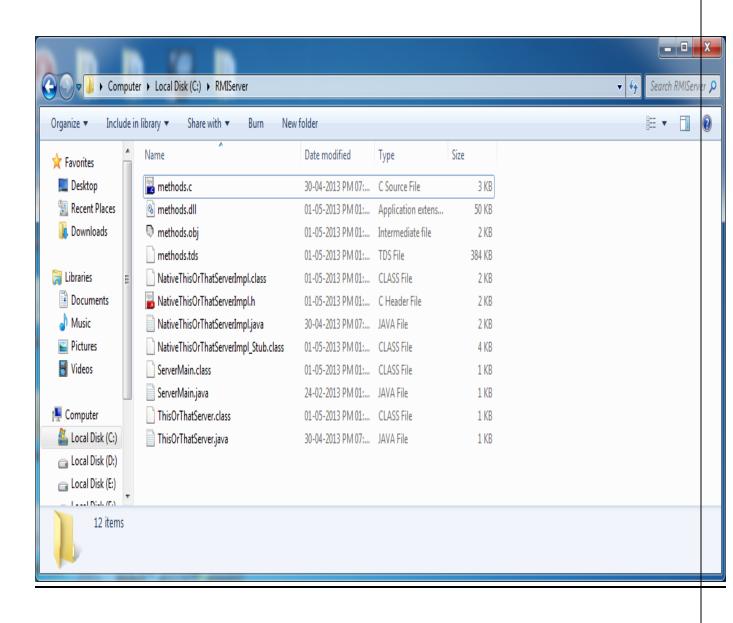




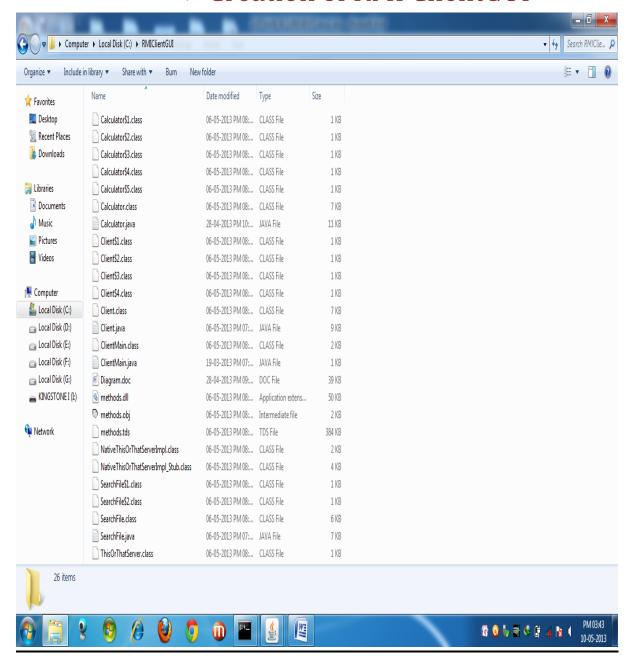


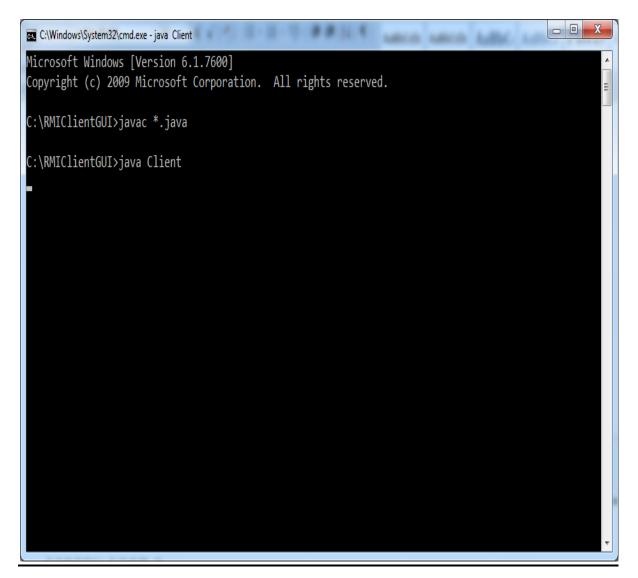


- Here we are Compiling ThisOrThatServer.java file which creates ThisOrThatServer.class file.
- Compiling NativeThisOrThatServerImpl.java file creates NativeThisOrThatServerImpl.class file.
- Compiling ServerMain.java file creates
 ServerMain.class file.
- Javah –jni NativeThisOrThatServerImpl creates the jni header file.
- bcc32 –WD methods.c means bcc32 is compiling methods.c program and it is generating the windows dll file.
- rmic NativeThisOrThatServerImpl creates
 NativeThisOrThatServerImpl_stub.class file.
- Java ServerMain means we are executing the ServerMain program.
- System is ready means server is ready.



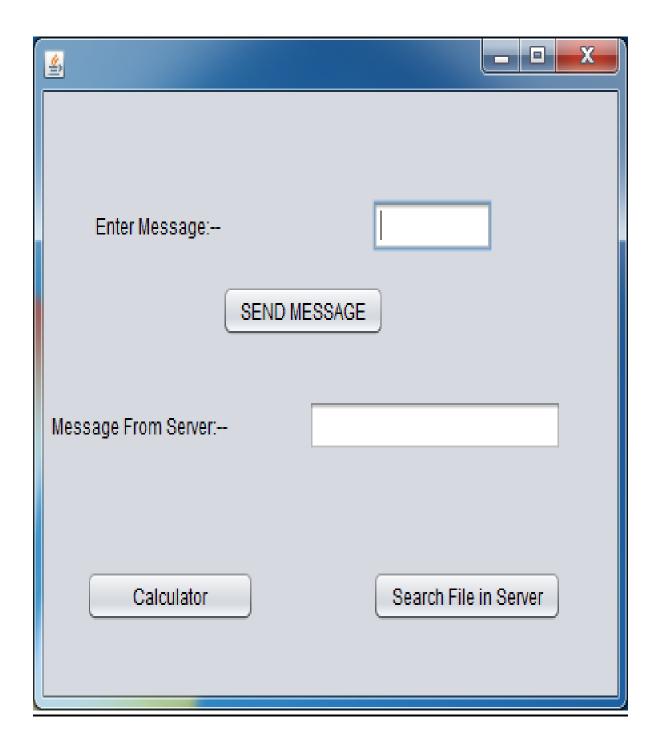
➤ Creation of RMI ClientGUI



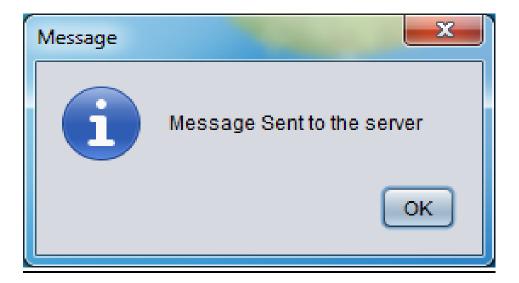


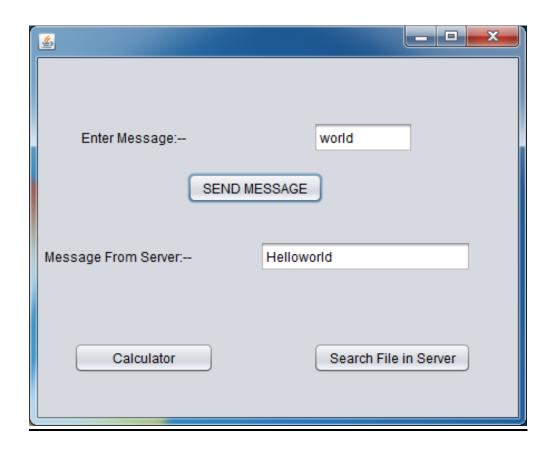
 Executing the client.java program we can perform three operations-send message, calculator, and search file in server.

> Outputs

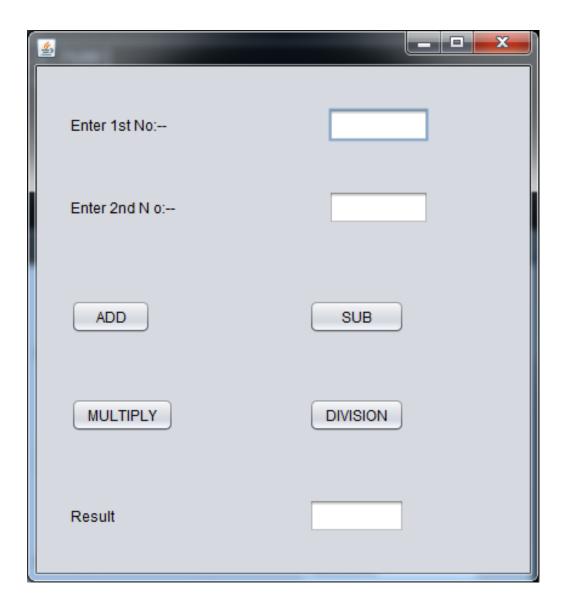


• SEND MESSAGE

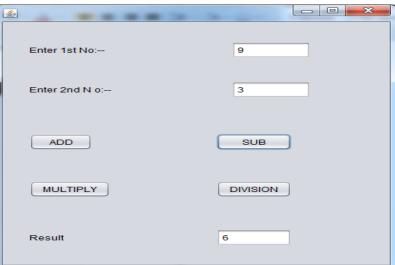


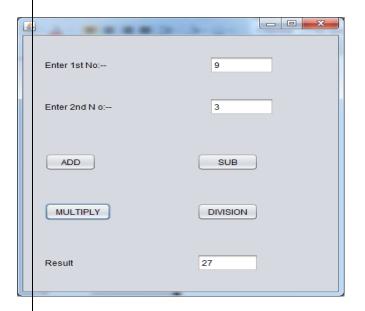


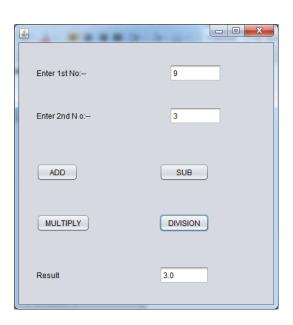
• CALCULATOR







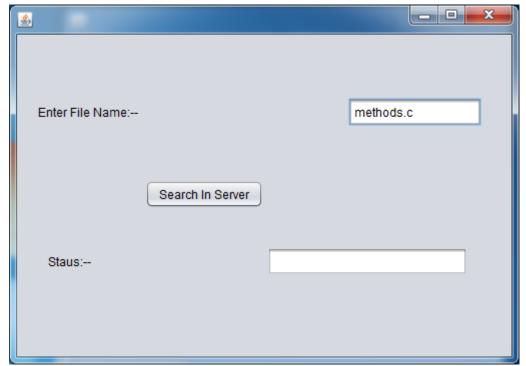




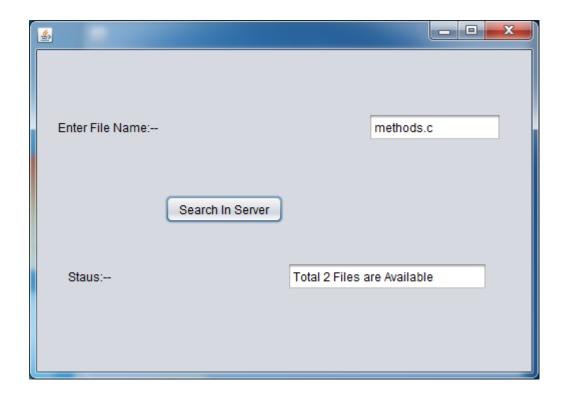
Taking two number 9 and 3, here we perform Addition, Subtruction, Multiplication and division operations.

• SEARCH FILE IN SERVER





Here we search methods.c file in the server



Return status from the server.

