

This App supports many clients and any client can send messages

to any other client. The server manages all the messages passing among the clients.

- First, the client connects to the server and then the server asks its

name. These names are used by the clients to message each other.

- The clients can connect to the server at any time and can also leave

at any time they want by sending “ quit ” to the server.

- When a client wants to know the list of users connected to the server,

the client can send “ get_list ” to the server and the server sends back

the list of users.

- When a client (c1) wants to send a message to another client (c2), c1

should send a msg to the server with the format “ send <c2> : <msg> ”.

Then the server will send the msg to the client (c2).

- When a client (c1) wants to send a message to all other clients, c1

should send a msg to the server with the format “ send all <msg> ”.

Then the server will send the msg to all clients except c1.

- When a client (c1) wants to send a message to some other clients

(c2, c3, c4), c1 should send a msg to the server with the format “ send

c2 c3 c4 : <msg> ". Then the server will send the msg to clients c2, c3, c4.

- To achieve this, we used multithreading so that the server can do message passing between the clients smoothly.

- This is somewhat similar to chatting applications like messenger, WhatsApp .

Because we can receive all messages on one side and we can run

our commands or send messages on the left side

- Messages sent by single-caste are equivalent to sending private messages to a single person
- Messages sent by multi-caste are equivalent to sending messages privately to multiple recipients at a time(equivalent to WhatsApp forward)
- Messages sent by broadcast are equivalent to sending group messages

- Just that we have only 1 terminal for getting input and sending input, we tried our best to give a good interface by classifying the type of messages that each client received

- In the end, if you want to stop the server then you have to do "ctrl+c",

otherwise, it keeps on waiting for the clients. Note : Here we also added a timestamp for a @message exchange

The following is just a sample to show the working of this feature. Where

initially three clients connect to the server and send messages to one

another. After one client quits, and some other client connects and chat again. At last, all quit.

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kvkr_3003@kvkr-3003:~/code_files/asgs/comp_net/asg2/question 2/part 2$ python3 multi-client.py localhost
Enter your name: Vamshi
Connected with Server at date_time = 2020-12-17 20:06:53

Format: >>"get_list" for list of clients
>>"send all" sends msg for all
>>"send c1 c2 : msg" sends msg for c1 and c2
>>"quit" for exiting

get_list
2020-12-17 20:07:43
Available client: Vamshi Janaki Prashanth

send all hello friends
2020-12-17 20:08:03
Janaki (broadcasted) : hellooo
2020-12-17 20:08:28
Prashanth (broadcasted) : when is the asg deadline??
2020-12-17 20:09:42
Prashanth (broadcasted) : Bye ppl
2020-12-17 20:12:53
Varshittha (broadcasted) : when would the college reopen 🤔

send all mostly by Feb
send all ok I have work now, bye
quit
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kvkr_3003@kvkr-3003:~/code_files/asgs/comp_net/asg2/question 2/part 2$ python3 multi-client.py localhost
Enter your name: Janaki
Connected with Server at date_time = 2020-12-17 20:06:59

Format: >>"get_list" for list of clients
>>"send all" sends msg for all
>>"send c1 c2 : msg" sends msg for c1 and c2
>>"quit" for exiting

send all hellooo
2020-12-17 20:07:53
Vamshi (broadcasted) : hello friends

send Prashanth : Today night 11:59pm
2020-12-17 20:08:28
Prashanth (broadcasted) : when is the asg deadline??

2020-12-17 20:09:34
Prashanth (singlecasted) : oh no, I need to leave
2020-12-17 20:09:42
Prashanth (broadcasted) : Bye ppl
2020-12-17 20:12:53
Varshittha (broadcasted) : when would the college reopen 🤔
2020-12-17 20:13:25
Vamshi (broadcasted) : mostly by Feb
2020-12-17 20:13:49
Vamshi (broadcasted) : ok I have work now, bye
2020-12-17 20:14:37
Varshittha (broadcasted) : Bye

quit
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kvkr_3003@kvkr-3003:~/code_files/asgs/comp_net/asg2/question 2/part 2$ python3 multi-client.py localhost
Enter your name: Prashanth
Connected with Server at date_time = 2020-12-17 20:07:06
Format: >>"get_list" for list of clients
>>"send all" sends msg for all
>>"send c1 c2 : msg" sends msg for c1 and c2
>>"quit" for exiting

2020-12-17 20:07:53
Vamshi (broadcasted) : hello friends
2020-12-17 20:08:03
Janaki (broadcasted) : hellooo

send all when is the asg deadline??

2020-12-17 20:09:11
Janaki (singlecasted) : Today night 11:59pm

send Janaki : oh no, I need to leave
send all Bye ppl
quit
kvkr_3003@kvkr-3003:~/code_files/asgs/comp_net/asg2/question 2/part 2$ python3 multi-client.py localhost
Enter your name: Varshittha
Connected with Server at date_time = 2020-12-17 20:10:36
Format: >>"get_list" for list of clients
>>"send all" sends msg for all
>>"send c1 c2 : msg" sends msg for c1 and c2
>>"quit" for exiting

send all when would the college reopen 🤔

2020-12-17 20:13:25
Vamshi (broadcasted) : mostly by Feb
2020-12-17 20:13:49
Vamshi (broadcasted) : ok I have work now, byee

get_list

2020-12-17 20:14:22
Available client: Janaki Varshittha

send all Bye
quit

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