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## **ABSTRACT**

This project focuses on developing a **real-time chat application** using Java. The application provides users with a platform to send and receive messages efficiently, offering features such as one-to-one messaging, group chats, and basic multimedia sharing. Built with a client-server architecture, the program ensures secure communication using techniques such as encryption for message confidentiality and authentication for user validation.

The front-end of the application is developed using Java's **Swing** library to deliver an intuitive and user-friendly interface, while the back-end leverages **Java Socket Programming** for handling communication between clients and the server. Additionally, the application supports multi-threading to allow simultaneous communication among multiple users.

The chat application is designed to be scalable, reliable, and easily extensible, catering to modern communication needs. This project serves as a practical demonstration of Java's networking capabilities and object-oriented programming principles, offering a robust foundation for further enhancements such as advanced encryption, voice/video integration, or cloud storage solutions.

ABSTRACT WITH POS AND PSOS MAPPING
CO 5: BUILD JAVA APPLICATIONS FOR SOLVING REAL-TIME PROBLEMS.

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|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
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| application using Java. The application provides        | a. The application provides PO2-3 |                               |
| users with a platform to send and receive messages      | PO3 -3                            | PSO1 -3<br>PSO2 -3<br>PSO3 -3 |
| efficiently, offering features such as one-to-one       | PO4 -3                            |                               |
| messaging, group chats, and basic multimedia            | PO5 -3                            |                               |
| sharing. Built with a client-server architecture, the   | PO6 -3                            |                               |
| program ensures secure communication using              | PO7 -3                            |                               |
|   | PO8 -3                            |                               |
| techniques such as encryption for message               |                                   |                               |
| confidentiality and authentication for user validation. | PO10 -3                           |                               |
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Note: 1- Low, 2-Medium, 3- High

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#### **CHAPTER 1**

## INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Objective

The objective of the provided code is to create a simple chat application with a graphical user interface (GUI) that facilitates real-time communication between a client and a server using Java sockets. The application demonstrates basic networking concepts and GUI design, allowing message exchange via a text area, input field, and send button. The application employs a multi-threaded approach, enabling simultaneous message handling and GUI responsiveness. The server waits for incoming connections and manages multiple clients, ensuring seamless message broadcasting. Additionally, the client's user interface updates dynamically to display received messages and supports user input through an intuitive GUI design.

## 1.2 Overview

The project is a basic chat application implemented in Java that enables real-time communication between a client and a server using sockets. It features a simple graphical user interface (GUI) created with AWT, which includes a text area for displaying messages, a text field for input, and a send button for transmitting messages. The server listens for client connections on a specified port, while the client connects to the server to exchange messages. Multithreading is used to handle real-time message updates while keeping the GUI responsive. This project demonstrates core concepts of networking, threading, and GUI design in Java. Furthermore, the application ensures that messages are delivered reliably and promptly, maintaining the integrity of the communication. The server handles multiple client connections simultaneously, thanks to its efficient multithreading approach. The client-side interface is designed to be user-friendly, allowing users to send and receive messages effortlessly.

## 1.3 Java Programming Concepts

## **Object-Oriented Programming Concepts (OOPs)**

The project demonstrates key OOP principles:

## **Encapsulation:**

The Main class encapsulates the data (GUI components like TextField, TextArea, and networking objects such as Socket) and methods (actionPerformed, run) required for the chat application's functionality.

#### Inheritance:

The Main class extends Frame, inheriting properties and methods from the AWT framework to create the graphical user interface.

## **Polymorphism:**

Method overriding is used in the project, such as the actionPerformed method to handle button click events in a customized way.

#### Abstraction:

The project abstracts the complexities of socket communication and GUI interactions by encapsulating these details within the Main class, focusing only on essential functionalities like message exchange.

## **Project-Related Java Concepts**

The project also employs several Java programming concepts directly related to its implementation:

#### **Sockets and Networking:**

It uses Socket (client) and ServerSocket (server) to establish a communication link between the client and server. Message transmission is handled using DataInputStream and DataOutputStream.

## **Multithreading:**

A separate thread is used to continuously listen for incoming messages, ensuring the application handles real-time communication without freezing the GUI.

## **AWT (Abstract Window Toolkit):**

The GUI is built using AWT components such as Frame, TextArea, TextField, and Button. Event handling is implemented via the ActionListener interface to manage user interactions.

#### I/O Streams:

Input and output streams (DataInputStream and DataOutputStream) are used to send and receive messages over the socket connection.

## **Exception Handling:**

try-catch blocks are used throughout the program to handle exceptions like IOException during socket operations or GUI events, ensuring the application does not crash unexpectedly.

## **Event Handling:**

The actionPerformed method is triggered when the user clicks the send button, allowing real-time communication.

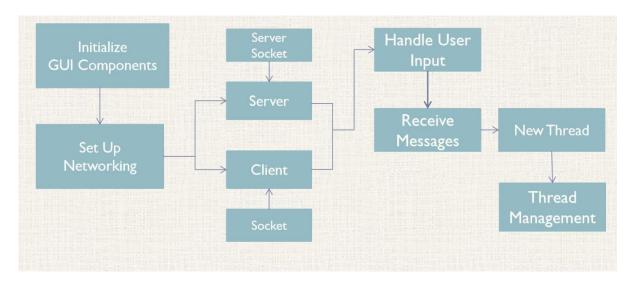
This project effectively combines fundamental OOP principles with practical Java concepts like networking, multithreading, and GUI design to create a functional and interactive chat application.

# CHAPTER 2 PROJECT METHODOLOGY

## 2.1 Proposed Work

The proposed work aims to create a simple real-time chat application that enables communication between a client and a server. The application will use Java's networking features to establish a connection and exchange messages. The user interface will be built with Java AWT components, featuring a text area to display messages, a text field for input, and a send button. Multithreading will be implemented to ensure smooth real-time communication by handling both message reception and the GUI simultaneously. The application will also include basic error handling to maintain stability during use. Future enhancements may include multiple client support, secure messaging, or the ability to send files. The project will serve as a practical demonstration of network programming and GUI design in Java. It will provide a solid foundation for developing more complex communication applications in the future. Additionally, by using Java's object-oriented principles, the application will maintain clean and efficient code structure, making it easier to manage and expand. This project will also offer an opportunity to explore issues such as network latency, connection stability, and performance optimization. Ultimately, the application will aim to offer a user-friendly platform for communication, showcasing the integration of key programming concepts.

## 2.2 Block Diagram



#### **CHAPTER 3**

## MODULE DESCRIPTION

#### 3.1 Connection and Communication Module

This module is responsible for managing the communication between the client and the server. It establishes the connection using Java's Socket and ServerSocket classes and handles the exchange of messages using DataInputStream and DataOutputStream. The server continuously listens for incoming client connections, while the client sends and receives messages in real-time.

## 3.2 User Interface (UI) Module

The UI module is responsible for creating the graphical layout of the chat application using Java AWT components. It provides a TextArea to display messages, a TextField to type new messages, and a Button to send the message. The interface is designed to be intuitive and responsive, providing a smooth user experience during chat sessions.

## 3.3 Real-Time Messaging Module

This module ensures that the application can handle real-time message exchange between the client and server. It utilizes multithreading to run the message-reception task in a separate thread from the UI thread. This guarantees that the application remains responsive while listening for incoming messages without interrupting the user interface.

## 3.4 Message Processing and Exchange Module

The Message Processing module is responsible for handling the text-based communication between the client and server. It captures user input from the TextField, processes it, and sends it to the server. The server, in turn, processes the message and sends it back to the client, where it is displayed in the chat window.

## 3.5 Error Handling and Stability Module

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These five modules together form the backbone of the chat application, ensuring efficient communication between the client and server, a responsive user interface, and a stable application. They address all the core aspects of the system, from networking and messaging to user interaction and error management.

## **CHAPTER 4**

## **CONCLUSION & FUTURE SCOPE**

#### 4.1 CONCLUSION

This chat application successfully demonstrates key Java concepts like networking, multithreading, and GUI design. By integrating these elements, it enables real-time communication between a client and a server. The modular approach ensures each component functions independently while contributing to the application's overall stability. The use of object-oriented principles like encapsulation and inheritance makes the code maintainable and scalable. This project serves as a strong foundation for future enhancements and provides a valuable learning experience in Java programming and networked applications.

## 4.2 FUTURE SCOPE

The chat application has a lot of potential for growth and improvement. One key area for enhancement is adding support for multiple clients, which would allow users to engage in group chats with several participants simultaneously. Another important development would be incorporating message encryption to ensure secure communication, protecting users' privacy. Additionally, the application could be expanded to support file sharing, enabling users to send and receive various types of media like images and documents.

To further enhance the user experience, implementing user authentication and profile management would allow users to log in, register, and customize their chats. Finally, adapting the application for mobile or web platforms would increase its accessibility and expand its reach, making it available to a broader audience. These future improvements would make the chat application more robust, versatile, and user-friendly.

# APPENDIX A (SOURCE CODE)

```
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.ActionEvent;
import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
import java.io.DataInputStream;
import java.io.DataOutputStream;
import java.io.IOException;
import java.net.ServerSocket;
import java.net.Socket;
public class Main extends Frame implements Runnable, ActionListener
  {TextArea textArea;
  TextField textField;
  Button send:
  //ServerSocket serverSocket;
  Socket socket;
  DataInputStream dataInputStream;
  DataOutputStream dataOutputStream;
  Thread chat;
  Main(){
    textField = new TextField();
    textArea = new TextArea();
    send = new Button("send");
    send.addActionListener(this);
    try {
      //serverSocket = new ServerSocket(12000);
```

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socket = new Socket("localhost",12000);
      dataInputStream= new DataInputStream(socket.getInputStream());
      dataOutputStream = new
DataOutputStream(socket.getOutputStream());
    }
    catch (Exception e){
    }
    add(textField);
    add(textArea);
    add(send);
    chat = new Thread(this);
    chat.setDaemon(true);
    chat.start();
    setSize(500,500);
    setLayout(new FlowLayout());
    //setShape(short);
    setTitle("ser");
    setVisible(true);
  }
  public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent
    e){String msg = textField.getText();
    textArea.append("ser:"+msg+"\n");
    textField.setText("");
    try {
      dataOutputStream.writeUTF(msg);
      dataOutputStream.flush();
```

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} catch (IOException ex) {
      throw new RuntimeException(ex);
    }
  }
  public static void main(String[] args)
    {new Main();
  }
  public void
    run(){while(tru
    e){
      try{
         String msg = dataInputStream.readUTF();
         textArea.append("cli:"+msg+"\n");
      }
      catch(Exception e){
      }
    }
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import java.awt.event.ActionListener;
import java.io.DataInputStream;
import java.io.DataOutputStream;
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}

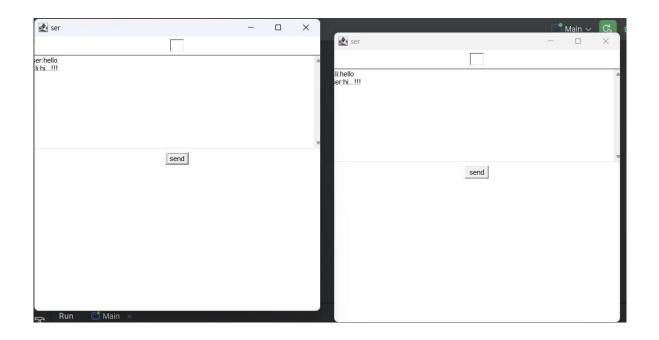
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    textArea = new TextArea();
    send = new Button("send");
    send.addActionListener(this);
    try {
      serverSocket = new ServerSocket( 12000);
      socket = serverSocket.accept();
      dataInputStream= new DataInputStream(socket.getInputStream());
      dataOutputStream = new
DataOutputStream(socket.getOutputStream());
    }
    catch (Exception e){
    }
    add(textField);
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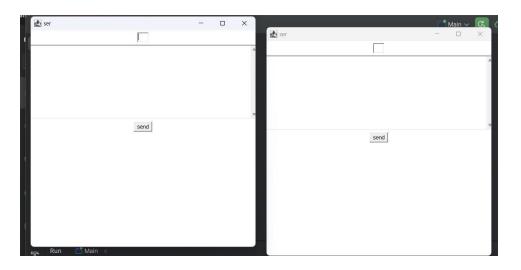
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    dataOutputStream.flush();
  } catch (IOException ex) {
    throw new RuntimeException(ex);
  }
}
public static void main(String[] args)
  {new Main();
```

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public void
  run(){while(tru
  e){
     try{
        String msg = dataInputStream.readUTF();
        textArea.append("cli:"+msg+"\n");
     }
     catch(Exception e){
     }
}
```

# APPENDIX B (SCREENSHOTS)







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#### Websites:

- 1. Oracle Java Documentation Official Java documentation.
- 2. <u>GeeksforGeeks Java Tutorials</u> Tutorials on Java programming concepts.
- 3. <u>Stack Overflow</u> A community Q&A site for Java-related problems.

#### YouTube:

- 1. <u>Java Programming Tutorial</u> Various Java programming tutorials.
- 2. Telusko Java Tutorials A channel with clear Java tutorials.

## **Online Courses:**

- <u>Udemy Java Programming</u> A complete Java course from basics to advanced topics.
- 2. <u>Coursera Java Programming and Software Engineering Fundamentals</u> An online program on Java programming and software engineering.

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