

Client side

This C++ code is a simple client-side implementation of a chat application. It connects to a server over a TCP/IP network and allows the user to send and receive messages. Here's a detailed explanation of how the code works:

Header Inclusions and Macros

```
#include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
```

```
#define PORT 8080
#define BUFFER_SIZE 1024
```

- **<iostream>** and **<string>**: For standard input-output operations and string handling.
- **<unistd.h>**: For POSIX operating system API functions.
- **<arpa/inet.h>**, **<sys/socket.h>**, **<sys/types.h>**, and **<netinet/in.h>**: For socket programming and internet operations.
- **#define PORT 8080**: Defines the port number where the server is expected to be listening.
- **#define BUFFER_SIZE 1024**: Defines the size of the buffer for message transfers.

Main Function

```
int main() {
    int sock = 0;
    struct sockaddr_in serv_addr;
    char buffer[BUFFER_SIZE] = {0};
```

- Initializes the socket descriptor **sock** to 0.
- Declares **serv_addr** for the server address structure.
- Initializes a buffer to hold incoming messages.

Socket Creation

```
if ((sock = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0)) < 0) {  
    std::cerr << "Socket creation error" << std::endl;  
    return -1;  
}
```

- Creates a socket using the `socket` function. If it returns a value less than 0, it indicates an error.

Setting Server Address

```
serv_addr.sin_family = AF_INET;  
serv_addr.sin_port = htons(PORT);  
  
if (inet_pton(AF_INET, "127.0.0.1", &serv_addr.sin_addr) <= 0) {  
    std::cerr << "Invalid address / Address not supported" << std::endl;  
    return -1;  
}
```

- Sets the server address family to `AF_INET` (IPv4).
- Sets the port to `PORT` (8080), converted to network byte order using `htons`.
- Converts the IP address from text to binary form using `inet_pton`. If it fails, it prints an error message and exits.

Connecting to the Server

```
if (connect(sock, (struct sockaddr *)&serv_addr, sizeof(serv_addr)) < 0) {  
    std::cerr << "Connection failed" << std::endl;  
    return -1;  
}
```

- Attempts to connect to the server. If it fails, it prints an error message and exits.

Chat Loop

```
std::string message;  
fd_set readfds;  
  
while (true) {  
    FD_ZERO(&readfds);  
    FD_SET(sock, &readfds);  
    FD_SET(STDIN_FILENO, &readfds);
```

```
int max_sd = sock > STDIN_FILENO ? sock : STDIN_FILENO;
```

```
int activity = select(max_sd + 1, &readfds, NULL, NULL, NULL);
```

- Declares a `message` string for user input.
- Declares a `fd_set` named `readfds` to manage file descriptors for `select`.
- The `while` loop runs indefinitely to handle user input and server messages.
- `FD_ZERO` clears the `readfds` set.
- `FD_SET` adds the socket and standard input file descriptor to the set.
- `max_sd` is set to the larger of `sock` and `STDIN_FILENO`.
- `select` is used to wait for activity on either the socket or standard input.

Handling User Input

```
if (FD_ISSET(STDIN_FILENO, &readfds)) {  
    std::getline(std::cin, message);  
    send(sock, message.c_str(), message.length(), 0);  
}
```

- Checks if there's input from the standard input (user typing).
- If so, reads the input into the `message` string and sends it to the server.

Handling Server Messages

```
if (FD_ISSET(sock, &readfds)) {  
    int valread = read(sock, buffer, BUFFER_SIZE);  
    if (valread > 0) {  
        buffer[valread] = '\0';  
        std::cout << "Server: " << buffer << std::endl;  
    }  
}  
}  
  
close(sock);  
return 0;  
}
```

- Checks if there's a message from the server.
- If so, reads it into the `buffer`. If `read` returns a positive value, it means there was data received.
- The buffer is null-terminated and printed as the server's message.

Cleanup

- After exiting the loop (if it ever does), the socket is closed with `close(sock)`.
- The program returns 0, indicating successful execution.

This code sets up a basic TCP client that connects to a server at `127.0.0.1` on port `8080`, allowing for simple text-based communication.

Serverside

This C++ code is a server-side implementation of a chat application. The server listens for incoming client connections, handles multiple clients concurrently, and broadcasts messages from any client to all other clients. Here's a detailed breakdown of the code:

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#include <arpa/inet.h>
#include <sys/socket.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <netinet/in.h>
#include <sys/select.h>
#include <vector>

#define PORT 8080
#define MAX_CLIENTS 10
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```

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- `<vector>`: For managing a dynamic array of client sockets.

- **#define PORT 8080**: Defines the port number where the server will listen.
- **#define MAX_CLIENTS 10**: Defines the maximum number of clients the server can handle simultaneously.
- **#define BUFFER_SIZE 1024**: Defines the size of the buffer for message transfers.

Broadcast Function

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```
void broadcastMessage(int senderSocket, const std::string& message,
const std::vector<int>& clientSockets) {
    for (int clientSocket : clientSockets) {
        if (clientSocket != senderSocket) {
            send(clientSocket, message.c_str(), message.length(), 0);
        }
    }
}
```

- **broadcastMessage**: Sends a message to all connected clients except the sender.
 - **senderSocket**: The socket descriptor of the client that sent the message.
 - **message**: The message to be broadcast.
 - **clientSockets**: A vector containing the socket descriptors of all connected clients.

Main Function

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```
int main() {
    int serverSocket, newSocket, maxClients = MAX_CLIENTS;
    int clientSockets[MAX_CLIENTS] = {0};
    int maxSocket;
    struct sockaddr_in address;
    fd_set readfds;
```

- **serverSocket**: The server's listening socket.
- **newSocket**: Socket descriptor for new connections.
- **clientSockets**: Array to hold the socket descriptors of connected clients.
- **maxSocket**: The highest socket descriptor value.
- **address**: Structure to hold the server address.

- **readfds**: File descriptor set used by **select**.

Creating Server Socket

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```
if ((serverSocket = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0)) == 0) {
    perror("Socket failed");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}

address.sin_family = AF_INET;
address.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY;
address.sin_port = htons(PORT);
```

- Creates a socket using the **socket** function.
- Configures the server address to accept any incoming IP address (**INADDR_ANY**) on port **PORT**.

Binding and Listening

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```
if (bind(serverSocket, (struct sockaddr *)&address,
sizeof(address)) < 0) {
    perror("Bind failed");
    close(serverSocket);
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}

if (listen(serverSocket, 3) < 0) {
    perror("Listen failed");
    close(serverSocket);
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}

std::cout << "Listening on port " << PORT << std::endl;
```

- Binds the socket to the specified address and port.
- Starts listening for incoming connections with a backlog of 3.

Main Loop

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```
while (true) {
    FD_ZERO(&readfds);
    FD_SET(serverSocket, &readfds);
    maxSocket = serverSocket;

    for (int i = 0; i < maxClients; i++) {
        int socket = clientSockets[i];
        if (socket > 0) {
            FD_SET(socket, &readfds);
        }
        if (socket > maxSocket) {
            maxSocket = socket;
        }
    }

    int activity = select(maxSocket + 1, &readfds, NULL, NULL,
NULL);

    if ((activity < 0) && (errno != EINTR)) {
        std::cerr << "Select error" << std::endl;
    }

    if (FD_ISSET(serverSocket, &readfds)) {
        if ((newSocket = accept(serverSocket, (struct sockaddr
*)&address, (socklen_t*)&address)) < 0) {
            perror("Accept failed");
            exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
        }

        std::cout << "New connection, socket fd is " << newSocket
<< std::endl;

        for (int i = 0; i < maxClients; i++) {
            if (clientSockets[i] == 0) {
                clientSockets[i] = newSocket;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```

        std::cout << "Adding to list of sockets as " << i
<< std::endl;
        break;
    }
}

for (int i = 0; i < maxClients; i++) {
    int socket = clientSockets[i];
    if (FD_ISSET(socket, &readfds)) {
        char buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
        int valread = read(socket, buffer, BUFFER_SIZE);
        if (valread == 0) {
            close(socket);
            clientSockets[i] = 0;
        } else {
            buffer[valread] = '\0';
            std::string message = std::string(buffer);
            std::cout << "Message from client: " << message <<
std::endl;
            broadcastMessage(socket, message,
std::vector<int>(clientSockets, clientSockets + maxClients));
        }
    }
}

close(serverSocket);
return 0;
}

```

- The main loop handles new connections and incoming messages:
 - **FD_ZERO(&readfds)**: Clears the **readfds** set.
 - **FD_SET(serverSocket, &readfds)**: Adds the server socket to the **readfds** set.
 - **maxSocket = serverSocket**: Initializes **maxSocket** with the server socket descriptor.
 - **For loop**: Adds client sockets to the **readfds** set and updates **maxSocket**.

- `select(maxSocket + 1, &readfds, NULL, NULL, NULL)`: Waits for activity on any socket.
- **New connection**: If activity is on the server socket, accepts the new connection and adds it to the `clientSockets` array.
- **Existing connection**: If activity is on a client socket, reads the message, checks if the client disconnected (if `valread` is 0), and broadcasts the message to all other clients.

Cleanup

- After the loop, the server socket is closed with `close(serverSocket)`.
- The program returns 0, indicating successful execution.

This code sets up a basic TCP server that listens for incoming connections on port `8080`, handles up to 10 clients concurrently, and broadcasts messages from any client to all other connected clients.