

## Assignment 2

Yinlu Gong

1.

Personal uRL: <https://github.com/zoegongyinlu/Distributed-System-6650/tree/main/A1>

Khoury github url:

<https://github.khoury.northeastern.edu/yinlugong16/CS6650Spring2025>

## Overview

**Updated from previous submission: I have added codes to start phase 2 early without waiting for phase 1 fully complete.**

The server design implements a distributed system for processing ski resort lift ride events. It leverages RabbitMQ for message queuing to handle high throughput and provide resilience. The application follows a servlet-based architecture that receives HTTP requests, validates them, publishes messages to RabbitMQ queues, and has separate consumer components that process these messages asynchronously. Elastic load balancer is added in front of 3 servlet instances.

```
#### Configuration

The BASE_PATH in PostRequestSingleThread should be updated based on the desired target:

```java
private static final String BASE_PATH = "http://44.233.246.8:8080/A1_war/"; // EC2 instance
private static final String BASE_PATH = "http://servlet-ELB-422677375.us-west-2.elb.amazonaws.com/A1_war"; //ELB
private static final String BASE_PATH = "http://localhost:8080/A1_war_exploded"; // Localhost
```
```

## Architecture Components

### Packages and Major Classes

1. `cs6650Spring2025.assignment2server`
  - `SkierServlet`: Main entry point for HTTP requests, handles request validation and publishing messages to RabbitMQ
  - `RabbitMQChannelPool`: Manages a pool of RabbitMQ channels for efficient message publishing
  - `ChannelFactory`: Creates and validates RabbitMQ channels for the pool

- **LiftRideMessageConsumer**: Consumes lift ride events from RabbitMQ and processes them
  - **ApplicationShutdownListener**: Ensures proper cleanup of resources during application shutdown
2. **cs6650Spring2025.clientPart1**
    - **SkierClientMain**: The `SkierClientMain` class manages the execution of multiple threads that send HTTP POST requests. It calculates and prints performance metrics, and saves request performance statistics using `RecordWriter`.

**Note:**

The class `ChannelFactory`, `RabbitMQChannelPool` were adapted from:

<https://github.com/gortonator/foundations-of-scalable-systems/blob/main/Ch7/rmqpool/RMQChannelFactory.java>

<https://github.com/gortonator/foundations-of-scalable-systems/blob/main/Ch7/rmqpool/RMQChannelPool.java>

## Key Relationships

1. **Web Request Flow:**
  - `SkierServlet` receives HTTP POST requests from clients
  - Validates request parameters and JSON body
  - Uses `RabbitMQChannelPool` to obtain a channel for message publishing
  - Publishes validated events to a specific RabbitMQ queue based on skier ID
2. **Channel Pooling Mechanism:**
  - `RabbitMQChannelPool` maintains a connection to RabbitMQ and a pool of channels: Channels are borrowed, used, and returned to the pool for efficient resource utilization
  - `ChannelFactory` creates and manages the lifecycle of individual channels
3. **Message Consumption:**
  - `LiftRideMessageConsumer` runs independently from the servlet
  - Maintains multiple consumer threads that process messages from designated queues
  - Stores processed data in thread-safe data structures (`ConcurrentHashMap` with skierID as key and `CopyOnWriteArrayList` as the value)

## Message Flow

1. **Request Reception:**

- SkierClientMain sends a POST request to  
/skiers/{resortID}/seasons/{seasonID}/days/{dayID}/skiers/{skierID}
- SkierServlet.doPost() validates the URL format and request body
- Extracts parameters to create a LiftRideEvent object
- 2. **Message Publishing:**
  - The event is serialized to JSON using Gson
  - A RabbitMQ channel is borrowed from the RabbitMQChannelPool
  - The message is published to a specific queue based on skier ID for load distribution
  - channel.basicPublish("", queueName, null, messageBody.getBytes())
  - The channel is returned to the pool after use (or invalidated if an error occurs)
- 3. **Message Consumption:**
  - LiftRideMessageConsumer maintains multiple consumer threads (configurable, default is 2 per queue, default 7 message queues concurrently consume)
  - Each consumer subscribes to a specific queue with a prefetch count to control throughput
  - When a message is received, it's deserialized into a LiftRideEvent object
  - The event data is stored in a thread-safe map for later retrieval:  
skierIdToRecords.computeIfAbsent(liftRideEvent.getSkierID(), k -> new CopyOnWriteArrayList<>())
  - Message is acknowledged once successfully processed
- 4. **Resource Management**
  - ApplicationShutDownListener monitors for application shutdown
  - On shutdown, it ensures proper cleanup of:
    1. RabbitMQ channel pool
    2. Consumer threads
    3. Other application resources

## Scalability Features

1. **Multiple Queues:**
  - System uses multiple queues (default 7) to distribute load
  - Messages are routed to queues based on skier ID (mod operation)
  - Each queue has multiple consumer threads for parallel processing
2. **Connection and Channel Management:**
  - Connections are shared across the application
  - Channels are pooled for efficient resource utilization
  - Pool size is configurable (default max 50 channels)
  - Automatic recovery is enabled for network resilience
3. **Asynchronous Processing:**
  - Web requests are decoupled from data processing via message queuing
  - HTTP responses are returned immediately after message publishing

- Message processing occurs asynchronously
- 4. **Thread Safety:**
  - Thread-safe data structures (`ConcurrentHashMap`, `CopyOnWriteArrayList`, `AtomicInteger`)
  - Thread pools with controlled sizes to prevent resource exhaustion
  - Thread synchronization using countdown latches for coordinated startup/shutdown

## Error Handling

1. **Request Validation doPost() url pattern:**
  - URL format validation before processing
  - JSON payload validation
  - Appropriate HTTP error codes returned to clients
2. **RabbitMQ Connection Resilience:**
  - Automatic connection recovery enabled
  - Configurable recovery delay and heartbeat
  - Channel validation before reuse
3. **Message Processing:**
  - Error tracking with `AtomicInteger`
  - Exception handling with message requeuing when appropriate
  - Manual acknowledgment to ensure processing guarantees

## Resource Management

1. **Graceful Shutdown:**
  - `ApplicationShutdownListener` ensures proper cleanup
  - Channels and connections closed during application shutdown
  - Thread pools properly terminated
2. **Channel Management:**
  - Channels validated on borrow and return
  - Invalid channels removed from the pool
  - Pool configuration optimized for the application's workload
  -

Result:

1. Single Servlet:

## Metrics:

```
/Users/zoegong/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/corretto-11.0.25/Contents/Home/bin/java ...
```

```
Starting Phase 1 with 32 threads
```

```
phase 1 total request:32000
```

```
Starting Phase 2 after 9 threads from Phase 1 completed
```

```
Remaining requests for Phase 2: 168000
```

```
Starting Phase 2 with 48 threads
```

```
Successful requests: 200000
```

```
Failed requests: 0
```

```
Wall Time: 144557 milliseconds
```

```
Throughput: 1388.89 requests/second
```

```
Request Statistics:
```

```
Mean response time: 41.30 ms
```

```
Median response time: 37.00 ms
```

```
p99 response time: 115 ms
```

```
Min response time: 14 ms
```

```
Max response time: 337 ms
```

Refreshed 2025-03-13 22:13:32

Refresh every 5 seconds

Virtual hostAll

Cluster rabbit@ip-172-31-26-166.us-west-2.compute.internal

User adminLogout

Overview

Connections

Channels

Exchanges

Queues and Streams

Admin

## Overview

Totals

Queued messages

last ten minutes?

300

200

100

0

22:04

22:06

22:08

22:10

22:12

Ready

0

Unacked

0

Total

0

Message rates

last ten minutes?

2.0 k/s

1.5 k/s

1.0 k/s

0.5 k/s

0.0 k/s

22:04

22:06

22:08

22:10

22:12

Publish

0.00/s

Publisher confirm

0.00/s

Deliver (manual ack)

0.00/s

Deliver (auto ack)

0.00/s

Consumer ack

0.00/s

Redelivered

0.00/s

Get (manual ack)

0.00/s

Get (auto ack)

0.00/s

Get (empty)

0.00/s

Unroutable (return)

0.00/s

Unroutable (drop)

0.00/s

Disk read

0.00/s

Disk write

0.00/s

Global counts?

2. With elastic load balancer:

```
/Users/zoegong/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/corretto-11.0.25/Contents/Home/bin/java ...
```

Starting Phase 1 with 32 threads

phase 1 total request:32000

Starting Phase 2 after 9 threads from Phase 1 completed

Remaining requests for Phase 2: 168000

Starting Phase 2 with 48 threads

Successful requests: 200000

Failed requests: 0

Wall Time: 141115 milliseconds

Throughput: 1418.44 requests/second

Request Statistics:

Mean response time: 40.10 ms

Median response time: 36.00 ms

p99 response time: 111 ms

Min response time: 14 ms

Max response time: 875 ms



RabbitMQ 3.12.13 Erlang 25.3.2

Refreshed 2025-03-13 22:22:39

Refresh every 5 seconds

Virtual host All

Cluster rabbit@ip-172-31-26-166.us-west-2.compute.internal

User admin Log out

Overview

Connections

Channels

Exchanges

Queues and Streams

Admin

## Overview

Totals

Queued messages last ten minutes ?



Ready 0  
Unacked 0  
Total 0

Message rates last ten minutes ?



Publish 0.00/s  
Publisher confirm 0.00/s  
Deliver (manual ack) 0.00/s

Deliver (auto ack) 0.00/s  
Consumer ack 0.00/s  
Redelivered 0.00/s

Get (manual ack) 0.00/s  
Get (auto ack) 0.00/s  
Get (empty) 0.00/s

Unroutable (return) 0.00/s  
Unroutable (drop) 0.00/s  
Disk read 0.00/s  
Disk write 0.00/s

## Queues

▼ All queues (7)

Pagination

Page 1 of 1 - Filter:  ☐ Regex ?

| Overview     |                   |         |          |         | Messages |         |       | Message rates |               |       | +/- |
|--------------|-------------------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|-------|---------------|---------------|-------|-----|
| Virtual host | Name              | Type    | Features | State   | Ready    | Unacked | Total | incoming      | deliver / get | ack   |     |
| /            | lift_ride_queue_0 | classic | D        | running | 0        | 3       | 3     | 182/s         | 182/s         | 184/s |     |
| /            | lift_ride_queue_1 | classic | D        | running | 0        | 2       | 2     | 180/s         | 179/s         | 180/s |     |
| /            | lift_ride_queue_2 | classic | D        | running | 0        | 4       | 4     | 168/s         | 167/s         | 168/s |     |
| /            | lift_ride_queue_3 | classic | D        | running | 0        | 4       | 4     | 171/s         | 170/s         | 170/s |     |
| /            | lift_ride_queue_4 | classic | D        | running | 0        | 2       | 2     | 167/s         | 167/s         | 167/s |     |
| /            | lift_ride_queue_5 | classic | D        | running | 0        | 1       | 1     | 167/s         | 166/s         | 166/s |     |
| /            | lift_ride_queue_6 | classic | D        | running | 0        | 7       | 7     | 174/s         | 175/s         | 176/s |     |

▶ Add a new queue