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## Vernetzte Systeme Exercise 12

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## 1. Task: Implementation of Message Passing

Based on the implementation of persist message queue server and clients done in Exercise 10, this exercise is to use a message passing mechanism to generate remote function operations instead of using pure RPC/RMI mechanism.

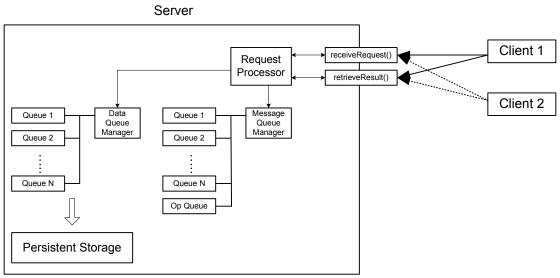


Figure 1: Message Server

• The server **DataMessagePoolServer** implements two remote methods defined in the interface class **DataMessagePool**:

```
package server;
import java.rmi.Remote;
import java.rmi.RemoteException;
import server.messaging.AckMessage;
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```
import server.messaging.RequestMessage;
import server.messaging.ResultMessage;
public interface DataMessagePool extends Remote{
        public AckMessage receiveRequest(RequestMessage msg) throws
RemoteException;
        public ResultMessage retrieveResult(AckMessage msg) throws
RemoteException;
```

List 1. Interface PersistMessagePool

- The client sends a request by calling receiveRequest() to instruct the server to perform certain operations. Once the request is processed, the server generates a RequestMessage containing the output and the result of the operation, and puts it into a specific ResultMessageQueue. The server then replies the client with an AckMessage which contains the information about the ResultMessageQueue where the ResultMessage is stored and the identifier of the message. Finally, the client calls retrieveResult to retrieve the ResultMessage from the server.
- The server contains two QueueManager: PersistDataMessageQueueManager and ResultMessageQueueManager. PersistDataMessageQueueManager and its structure are the same as those in Ex10. ResultMessageQueueManager has multiple ResultMessageQueue: one special opQueue to store ResultMessage queue management; related to the and the same number of to ResultMessageQueue which matches one-by-one the PersistDataMessageQueue managed by the PersistDataMessageQueueManager.
- receiveRequest() method accepts a RequestMessage from the client. The RequestMessage requests one of the 4 operations (*createQueue*, *deleteQueue*, *putMessage*, *getMessage*) which the server supports.
  - createQueue, deleteQueue: the server creates/deletes a queue according to its name. The **ResultMessage** generated for the operation is stored in the special **ResultMessageQueue** opQueue.
  - *putMessage, getMessage*: the server puts/gets a message to/from a specific PersistDataMessageQueue. The ResultMessage generated for the operation is stored in the ResultMessageQueue corresponding to the PersistDataMessageQueue involved in the operation.

The server creates an AckMessage which contains the ID of the ResultMessage and the name of the ResultMessageQueue where the message is stored, and return the AckMessage to the client.

- retrieveResult() method accepts an AckMessage from the client. According to the content of the AckMessage, the server retrieves the ResultMessage from the corresponding ResultMessageQueue, and returns it to the client.

- There are three types of messages exchanged between the server and the clients.
  - RequestMessage Supports 4 types: getRequest, putRequest, createQueueRequest and deleteQueueRequest, which match to the 4 operations the server supports.
  - AckMessage contains 2 fields: string queueName and int msgNumber.
  - ResultMessage contains information about the result and output of the operation. If the operation fails, an operationException (an inner class of ResultMessage) is attached to the ResultMessage. The operationException shows the exception or error happened during the operation. If the operation succeeds, no operationException is attached.
  - OperationException is used to replace the RemoteException which is directly attached to the RMI method call. It has 5 types:
    - **EXCEPTION\_TYPE\_MESSAGE\_NULL:** It happens when trying to put an empty message to the queue in the server.
    - **EXCEPTION\_TYPE\_QUEUE\_NOT\_FOUND:** It happens when trying to delete a queue, put or get messages from or to a queue, and the queue does not exist.
    - **EXCEPTION\_TYPE\_QUEUE\_FULL:** It happens when trying to put a message into a full queue.
    - **EXCEPTION\_TYPE\_QUEUE\_EMPTY:** It happens when trying to get a message from an empty queue.
    - **EXCEPTION\_TYPE\_QUEUE\_DUPLICATION:** It happens when trying to create a queue which is already created.
    - **EXCEPTION\_TYPE\_UNKNOWN**: For all other unknown exceptions.
- Two clients MessageGetClient and MessagePutClient are to be implemented. Similar to the clients in Ex10, these two clients are to get/put messages from/to the server.
  - MessageGetClient generates a GetRequestMessage with the name of the queue from which the data message is to be retrieved, and sends it to the server. Then it gets the ResultMessage in which the content of the data message is stored. The client retrieves messages periodically (1 message per 2 second); In case the specified queue cannot be found or the queue is empty, the client will wait and retry.
  - MessagePutClient generates a PutRequestMessage with the content of the data message and the name of the queue. The client generates messages periodically (1 message per second). In case the queue is full, the client will wait and retry.
- For this exercise, the program should be single threaded.