



RMI

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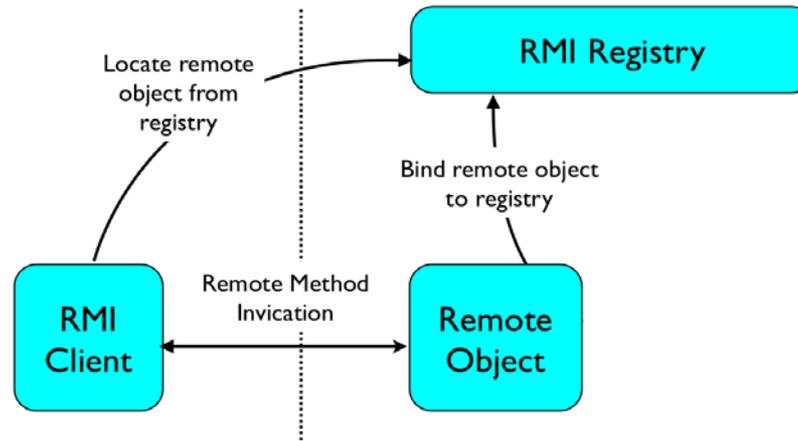
Outline

- Remote Method Invocation
- Program

RMI Overview



- RMI is a Java-implementation of RPC referred to as a distributed object application
- An RMI server typically creates some remote objects, makes references to those objects accessible, and waits for clients to invoke methods on those objects
- An RMI client obtains a remote reference to one or more remote objects on a server and invokes methods on them
 - › RMI clients can locate remote objects through an **RMI registry**, assuming the RMI server has registered its remote objects with it
- The details of remote communication between server and client are handled by RMI
 - › Remote communication looks like regular Java method invocations to the programmer
- The client can pass a class to a remote server and have it execute methods on that class



RMI Application Example



- Here are the steps for setting up an RMI application
 1. Write the code
 - 1.1 Write the remote interface
 - 1.2 Write the server code
 - 1.3 Write the client code
 2. Compile the code
 3. Start the RMI registry, the server, and the client



RMI Application Example – Step 1.1



- Step 1.1 – Write the remote interface
 - › The example here allows a client to send an object over that will add up all of the numbers between a minimum value and a maximum value
 - › `AddNumbersInterface` is the remote interface that allows tasks to be submitted to the engine
 - Since `AddNumbersInterface` inherits from `java.rmi.Remote`, its method `addNumbers (AddNumbersTask)` can be invoked remotely
 - › `AddNumbersTask` is the client interface that defines how the server should add the numbers
 - This code physically exists on the client but will be transmitted to the server to execute
 - › Objects are passed between the client and server using serialization, so the class implementing the `AddNumbersTask` interface and the return type must both be `Serializable`



RMI Application Example – Step 1.1



AddNumbersInterface.java

```
1 package sharedobjects;
2 import java.rmi.Remote;
3 import java.rmi.RemoteException;
4
5 // this interface is implemented by the server
6 // it should have a method that takes an object that was implemented on the client
7 // that object will have the code in it that will be executed on the server
8 public interface AddNumbersInterface extends Remote {
9     public long addNumbers(AddNumbersTask ant) throws RemoteException;
10 }
```

AddNumbersTask.java

```
1 package sharedobjects;
2
3 public interface AddNumbersTask {
4     public long getMinimum();
5     public long getMaximum();
6     public long getSum();
7 }
```

RMI Application Example – Step 1.2



- Step 1.2 – Write the server code

- › A class that implements a remote interface needs to provide an implementation for each remote method in the interface
- › The server program needs to create the remote objects and export them to the RMI runtime, making them available to receive incoming remote invocations
- › Remote objects are passed by reference from a client
- › Other parameters that are not remote objects are passed by value



RMI Application Example – Step 1.2



```
1 package server;
2 import java.rmi.Remote;
3 import java.rmi.registry.LocateRegistry;
4 import java.rmi.registry.Registry;
5 import java.rmi.server.UnicastRemoteObject;
6 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersInterface;
7 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersTask;
8
9 public class AddNumbersServer implements AddNumbersInterface {
10     public long addNumbers(AddNumbersTask ant) {
11         System.out.println("Adding from " + ant.getMinimum() + " to " + ant.getMaximum() + " on server");
12         return ant.getSum();
13     }
14
15     public static void main(String[] args) {
16         try {
17             Registry registry = LocateRegistry.getRegistry("localhost");
18             AddNumbersInterface remoteAddNumbers = new AddNumbersServer();
19             Remote stub = UnicastRemoteObject.exportObject(remoteAddNumbers, 0);
20             registry.rebind("AddNumbers", stub);
21             System.out.println("AddNumbers remote object bound");
22         } catch (RemoteException re) {
23             System.out.println("RemoteException: " + re.getMessage());
24         }
25     }
26 }
```

RMI Application Example – Step 1.3



- Step 1.3 – Write the client code
 - › The client for this program needs to define the task that it wants the server to perform (`AddNumbersCalculation`)
 - This means the client needs to create a class that implements the `AddNumbersTask` interface
 - › The client has a standalone program (`AddNumbersClient`) that will obtain a reference to the newly-created `AddNumbersTask` object and request it to be executed on the server
 - This means that it needs to contact the RMI registry and submit the `AddNumbersTask` to be executed by calling the `addNumbers (AddNumbersTask)` method on an `AddNumbersInterface` object



RMI Application Example – Step 1.3



```
1 package client;
2 import java.io.Serializable;
3 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersTask;
4
5 public class AddNumbersCalculation implements AddNumbersTask, Serializable {
6     public static final long serialVersionUID = 1;
7     private long minNum = 0;
8     private long maxNum = 0;
9
10    public AddNumbersCalculation(long minNum, long maxNum) {
11        this.minNum = minNum;
12        this.maxNum = maxNum;
13    }
14
15    public long getMinimum() {
16        return minNum;
17    }
18
19    public long getMaximum() {
20        return maxNum;
21    }
22
23    public long getSum() {
24        long sum = 0;
25        for (long i=minNum; i <= maxNum; i++) {
26            sum += i;
27        }
28        return sum;
29    }
30 }
```

RMI Application Example – Step 1.3

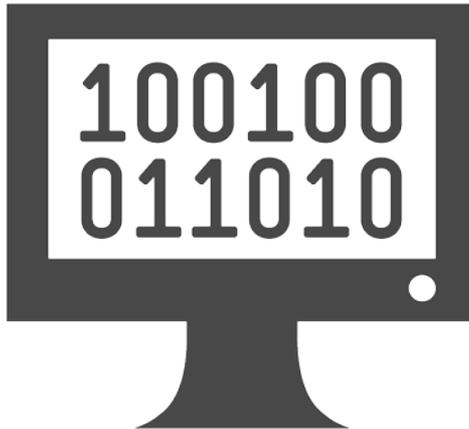


```
1 package client;
2 import java.rmi.registry.LocateRegistry;
3 import java.rmi.registry.Registry;
4 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersInterface;
5 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersTask;
6
7 public class AddNumbersClient {
8     public static void main(String args[]) {
9         try {
10             Registry registry = LocateRegistry.getRegistry("localhost");
11             AddNumbersInterface remoteAddNumbers = (AddNumbersInterface)registry.lookup("AddNumbers");
12             AddNumbersTask ant = new AddNumbersCalculation(0, 1_000_000);
13             long solution = remoteAddNumbers.addNumbers(ant);
14             System.out.println("SUM(0..1,000,000) = " + solution);
15         } catch (RemoteException re) {
16             System.out.println("RemoteException: " + re.getMessage());
17         } catch (NotBoundException nbe) {
18             System.out.println("NotBoundException: " + nbe.getMessage());
19         }
20     }
21 }
```

RMI Application Example – Step 2



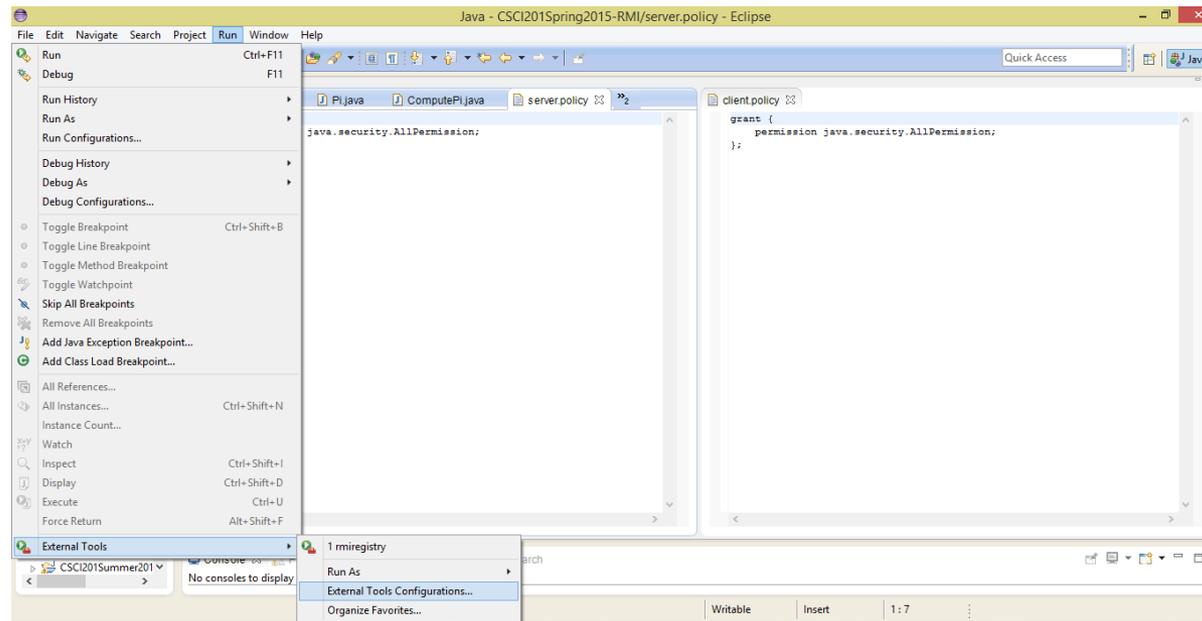
- Step 2 – Compile the code
 - › Eclipse will automatically compile the code, so nothing else is required on this step
 - › From the command line
 - Compile the shared object and create a jar file with the .class files
 - Include that jar file when compiling the server and client



RMI Application Example – Step 3



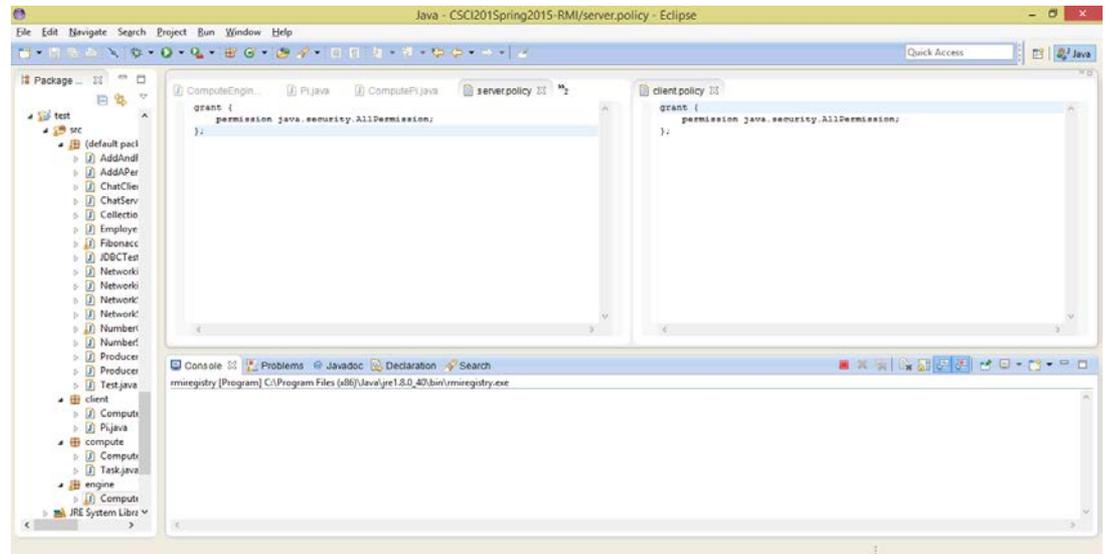
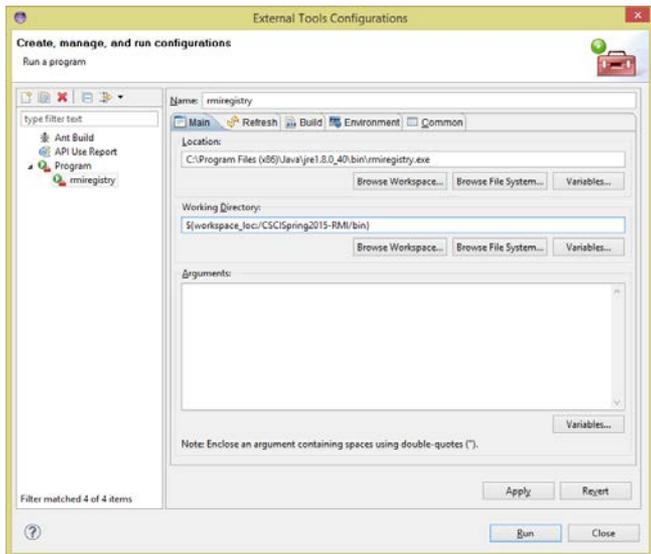
- Step 3 – Start the RMI registry
 - › The RMI registry is executed by running a program that came with the JDK called `rmiregistry`
 - › To run this within Eclipse, go to “Run->External Tools-> External Tools Configuration...”



Eclipse RMI Application Example – Step 3



- Step 4 – Start the RMI registry
 - › Click the “New Launch Configuration” button and name it “rmiregistry”
 - › For the “Location,” click “Browse File System” to find the `rmiregistry` program in the bin directory of your JRE directory
 - › For the “Working Directory,” click “Browse Workspace” to find the `bin` directory of your project
 - › Click “Apply” then “Run” – the RMI registry should be running but there is no output



Eclipse RMI Application Example – Step 3



- Step 4 – Start the RMI server application
 - Run the `AddNumbersServer` program

```
1 package server;
2
3 import java.rmi.registry.LocateRegistry;
4 import java.rmi.registry.Registry;
5 import java.rmi.server.UnicastRemoteObject;
6
7 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersInterface;
8 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersTask;
9
10 public class AddNumbersServer implements AddNumbersInterface {
11     public long addNumbers(AddNumbersTask ant) {
12         System.out.println("Adding numbers from " + ant.getMinimum() + " to " + ant.getMaximum() + " on server");
13         return ant.getSum();
14     }
15
16     public static void main(String[] args) {
17         try {
18             String name = "AddNumbers";
19             AddNumbersInterface remoteAddNumbers = new AddNumbersServer();
20             // 0 is the port on which the AddNumbersInterface is exported
21             AddNumbersInterface stub = (AddNumbersInterface) UnicastRemoteObject.exportObject(remoteAddNumbers, 0);
22             Registry registry = LocateRegistry.getRegistry();
23             registry.rebind(name, stub);
24             System.out.println("AddNumbers remote object bound");
25         } catch (Exception e) {
26             System.err.println("AddNumbersServer exception:");
27             e.printStackTrace();
28         }
29     }
30 }
31
```

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AddNumbersServer [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.8.0_101\bin\javaw.exe (Apr 12, 2017, 4:44:06 AM)
AddNumbers remote object bound

Eclipse RMI Application Example – Step 3



- Step 4 – Start the RMI client application
 - Run the `AddNumbersClient` program

```
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AddNumbersServer [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.8.0_101\bin\javaw.exe (Apr 12, 2017, 4:44:06 AM)
AddNumbers remote object bound
Adding numbers from 0 to 1000000 on server
```

```
ProducerConsumer.java AddNumbersInterface.java AddNumbersTask.java AddNumbersCalculation.java AddNumbersClient.java AddNumbersServer.java
1 package client;
2
3 import java.rmi.registry.LocateRegistry;
4 import java.rmi.registry.Registry;
5
6 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersInterface;
7 import sharedobjects.AddNumbersTask;
8
9 public class AddNumbersClient {
10     public static void main(String args[]) {
11         try {
12             String name = "AddNumbers";
13             long minNum = 0;
14             long maxNum = 1_000_000;
15             Registry registry = LocateRegistry.getRegistry("localhost");
16             AddNumbersInterface remoteAddNumbers = (AddNumbersInterface) registry.lookup(name);
17             AddNumbersTask ant = new AddNumbersCalculation(minNum, maxNum);
18             long solution = remoteAddNumbers.addNumbers(ant);
19             System.out.println(solution);
20         } catch (Exception e) {
21             System.err.println("AddNumbersClient exception:");
22             e.printStackTrace();
23         }
24     }
25 }
26
```

```
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<terminated> AddNumbersClient [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.8.0_101\bin\javaw.exe (Apr 12, 2017, 4:46:03 AM)
500000500000
```

Server output



Outline

- Remote Method Invocation
- Program

Program



- Modify the RMI application we wrote today to use parallel programming to calculate the sum of the values
 - › Use the code from the parallel programming lecture but have this code execute on the server through the remote object
 - › Compare the actual runtime of the single-threaded version to the parallel version
 - How many values need to be added before the overhead of RMI lessens to make the parallel version faster than the single-threaded version?

