

The main goal of this master's degree thesis is research how possible is armed conflict between People's Republic of China and Japan. Both states which are important actors in Pacific region and also in the global scale, had a number of conflicts in history. Nowadays is visible sharp deterioration of relations due to territorial, political, military and economic disputes. The beginning of thesis is aimed to show historical background of the mutual relations that is a key for understanding nowadays disputes. The research is based on two theories – neorealistic balance of power theory and concept of commercial liberalism. The factors from these theories can measure relevance of threat and helps answer the question how possible is the emergence of armed conflict. According to the results of research maintaining of peace between China and Japan is more probable mainly due to interdependence of both countries.