***Design Rationale***

*Assignment 1*

* Leave Affordance

Affordances are also defined as Actions. Entities have a Take affordance, which allows them to pick an item up. This affordance is realized by *SWActionInterface*. Star Wars Affordances also extends *SWAffordance*, and *SWAffordance* is realized by *SWActionInterface* as well. Thus, it makes sense for Leave to extend *SWAffordance* (and by definition, is realized by *SWActionInterface)*. Leave should have similar methods to Take, with the condition for canDo() requiring that the actor have an item in their hand. The act() method should remove the item from the actor’s hand, and place the item in the Star Wars Entity Manager.

* Force ability

*Force* ability should be implemented as an integer value that is initialized in specific actors. This is because only several people have the ability to use the *Force* (namely the *Jedi* and the *Sith*). Thus, several actors who are known to be able to use the *Force* should extend a *Jedi* class. The *Jedi* class, in turn, should extend the abstract class *SWActor*, as it can be used to represent a subset of actors. By implementing it this way, it will also be easy to create a *Sith* class, for a subset of enemies who can also use the *Force*, if the situation requires it.

* Lightsabres

*Lightsabres* are an item that has already been defined in the code base. To satisfy the condition that “only people who are attuned to the *Force* can wield one as a weapon”, all that is required is to modify the constructor of *Lightsabre*. There will be a simple Boolean check to determine if the *Actor* that is currently in possession of the *Lightsabre* has sufficient *Force* ability to use it as a weapon. The cut-off point for one to wield a *Lightsabre* as a weapon could be, on a scale of 1-100, 75 for example.

* Ben Kenobi

In order to implement the training functionality whereby *Ben Kenobi* can train Luke (the player) if they are in the same location, the *Player* actor should be a subclass of *Jedi*, first and foremost. *Player* will have a *Force* value, and subsequently should also have a method to check the maximum *Force* value to possess (so as to limit the effectiveness of training). *Ben Kenobi* will then have a method trainLuke(), which is called whenever the player is at the same location on the grid. The method can be set to increase *Force* ability by a set amount, or a variable amount (depending on several external factors).

* Droids