

# Advanced Programming

## Assignment *n.1* - Exercise *n.1*

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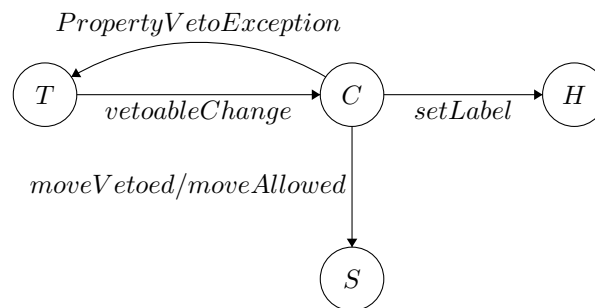
The project has been structured in **four files**:

- **EightController.java**: it implements all of the game logic, while being agnostic of the GUI components. It doesn't know about the tiles, and it does only keep track of the position of the *Hole*. Differently from the original request, it does not have the graphical appearance of a label, which is instead implemented by **EightStatus.java**. This allows the game logic and the game GUI to be loosely coupled, allowing to individually update them more easily in the future;
- **EightStatus.java**: a Bean inheriting from **JLabel**. It displays a different label depending on the current status of the game;
- **EightTile.java**: a Bean inheriting from **JButton**. Differently from the original request, the field `label` is named `tileLabel`, since the first one was a deprecated field of **JButton** and would have lead to different naming for its getter/setter, thus generating confusion;
- **EightBoard.java**: entry point spawning all the GUI elements and setting their properties and listeners;

Concerning the GUI, I've decided to employ a **GridLayout**, enabling responsiveness and significantly shortening the boilerplate code, while not changing the appearance too much from the request.

For the game logic, the start/restart of the game is handled by the **EightController**: it fires a **PropertyChange** event to all the **EightTiles** (giving them the permutation array) and to the **EightStatus** (in order to update it with "START").

Next, there is the **click of an EightTile**. This event sees four GUI elements communicating with each other as per the picture:



- **T**: an *EightTile*. It interacts with the *Controller* (**C**) when it is clicked, firing a `vetoableChange` event. If the *Controller* does not veto, the tile becomes the *Hole*, otherwise it blinks red;
- **C**: the *EightController*. When fired by a `vetoableChange` event, if the click on the *Tile* is not legal it throws a `PropertyVetoException`. The decision made here is also notified to the label *Status* (**S**). Finally, the *Controller* fires a `PropertyChange` event to the *Hole* (**H**), requesting it to set its label to the old value of the newly became *Hole*;

Finally, we have the **click on the Flip button**, which is implemented by an handler in **EightBoard**. The label of the 1st and the 2nd *Tile* are passed to the *Controller*, which after checking if the flip is possible, it fires two `PropertyChange` events to the tiles, in order to swap the two labels.