# Assignment #2 – Multi-Player BlackJack

Design Specification Document

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**1. Introduction**

**1.1. Goals and Objectives**

This document describes important aspects of the implementation of the **#login**, **#card**, **#deck**, **#gameroom** and **#onlinebank** commands of the Multi-Player Blackjack.

**1.2. Statement of Scope**

Decisions in this document are made based on the following priorities (most important first): Maintainability, Usability, Portability, Efficiency

**1.3** **Software Context**

This Multi-Player Blackjack game combines several subprograms: login page, game lobby, game room and online bank. Login page is for the player and dealer to log in. After that, player can access their online bank to add/withdraw funds or they can get in the queue to join a game. Finally, they can play in the game room. Card and deck are the elements for the blackjack game.

**1.4.** **Major Constraints**

**Issue 1:** Where should account data be stored?

**Option 1.1**: Store the information in a file on the client side for the client application to validate against?

**Option 1.2**: Store the information in a file on the server side for the server application to validate against?

**Decision**: Per section 2.5.3 of the Requirements Specification document, the login data file will be stored on the server as it will be a function of the sever to limit logins to one client per user. Per section 3.2 of the Requirements Specification document, account balance and game play logs will be stored on the server as well.

**2. Data Design**

Login page – for the player and the dealer to log in

It requests the user to enter a username and password. It compares against a comma separated text file which contains “Id”, “Name”, “Username”, “Password”, “User Type”.

Card – a single card represents for a rank and suit

It combines from one of the thirteen ranks (from 2 to 10, Jack, Queen, King, and Ace), and one of the four suits (diamonds, clubs, hearts, and spades). Therefore, each item will contain one rank and one suit. No duplicates will occur.

Deck—a deck combines all 52 cards

It is a list of all 52 cards in a particular (random) order, and the number of cards will decrease by dealing out cards to dealer and player hands. When the game is done, it will reset as a full deck and be shuffled.

Online Bank – for the players to add/withdraw the funds to their account

It requests a text file to save the balance of their account every time while they add/ withdraw the funds from their account. Also, during the game, the system will load this record to let the player know what their current balance is and will update when the game ends.

Game room – for the player to play game

Once the server will receive the signal from the player to hit the button of “play game”, it will create a game room and notify dealer to get in the game room. Once there has five people, the game will start instantly, or when the player has waited for more than three minutes, the game will also start. Those players will automatically enter to game room to play against the dealer.

The game based on our rules, it will receive the instruction from the player to hit, stand or leave game during the game play, and make the decision- play again or leave when the game end.

**2.1 Client side**

Once the player login to the game, it passes his username and password to the server to verify his identity

When the player decides to add funds or withdraw funds, it will pass the instruction to the server update the balance

When the player clicks to play game, the server will reserve a place for him until the game start

When the game start, the player will place the bet to the server, and give out the card to the player and the dealer

When the player receives card from dealer, the player can decide to either hit or stand, and send the instruction back to server until they bust or stand.

When the game end, the player can decide to play again or leave, and the client can see the update balance from the server.

The dealer will receive instruction from the server to join a game and click to join

The dealer will give instruction to send card after all bet received

The dealer will give instruction to send signal to end game and settled the bet.

**2.2 Server side**

The server will verity the username and password, if it is real, it will allow the player to log in to play game, if not, decline it. If the player tries thirds time and still fail, the server banned this account until verify

When received the add funds or withdraw funds, the server will update the balance

When receive the “play game “instruction from the player, the system will setup a game room and arrange a dealer ( send a notification to the dealer that request him to get in a game to ready)

When the server receives the dealer signal to start the game, the server will give out card to the dealer and player hands, and ask for the instruction from each player

When all players done their decision for hit/stand, it will send card to the dealer until it hit or over 17.

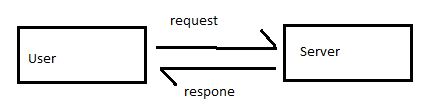
When the server received the instruction from the dealer to end game and settle the bet, the server will automatically settle the bet and send notification to the player to check if they still continue or done

When the last player decides to leave, the server will send notification to the dealer that the game is done and ready for next game.

**3. Architectural and Component-level Design**

**3.1 Program Structure**

The Multi-player Blackjack runs as a client-server application and save all record into three different text files; one is for player and dealer login details; one is for the balance, and one is for the game record

**3.1.1 Architecture diagram**

**3.2 Description of Client**

**3.2.1 Client processing narrative**

**(****functions and processes described)**

-login() to log into the serve, sending username and password (string) to server

-addFunds() to add money into the account, sending some amount (int) to server

-withdrawFunds() to take out the money from the account, sending some amount (int) to server

-playGame() to start the game, sending a signal (Boolean)to server

-hit() to call for an extra card, sending a signal (Boolean)to server

-stand() to refuse for an extra card, sending a signal (Boolean)to server

-playAgain() to continuous a exiting game, sending a signal (Boolean)to server

-leave() to leave a exiting game, sending a signal (Boolean)to server

**3.2.2 Client** **interface description**

**(input and output interfaces described)**

Everything will use a graphical user interface (GUI), most of the choices are using button, and the client need to type letters and numbers only when login and add/withdraw funds

**3.2.3 Client processing details**

**(algorithmic description)**

Client will take user input and send those to the server via message objects.

**3.3 Description of Server**

**3.3.1 Software Interface Description**

Everything is using graphical user interface (GUI), first, it will pop up a login page for the client to login, after login, the login page will close and pop up the main page for the client to either get into the game room or online bank to add/withdraw funds

**3.3.2 External Interfaces**The system must provide an interface to our payment system so that players can add funds and withdraw funds as needed. The interface is to be in a comma-separated text file containing the following fields: player id, current balance, amount of money being moved, action. Where “action” is whether the user has added or withdrawn the funds. The file will be exported nightly and will contain new transactions only

The system must provide an interface to our logging system so that all game moves and cards are logged to prevent cheating. The interface is to be in a comma-separated text file containing the following fields: player id, current balance, amount bet, status in game (in or out), action (hit or stay), cards in hand. The file will be exported after every game session (table) closes.

**3.3.3 Internal Interfaces**

The system must process a data-feed from the logging system so that all game moves and cards played are stored to prevent cheating. The data feed is to be in a comma-separated text file containing the following fields: player id, current balance, amount bet, status in game (in or out), action (hit or stay), cards in hand. The file will be exported after every game session (table) closes.

**3.3.4 Human Interfaces**

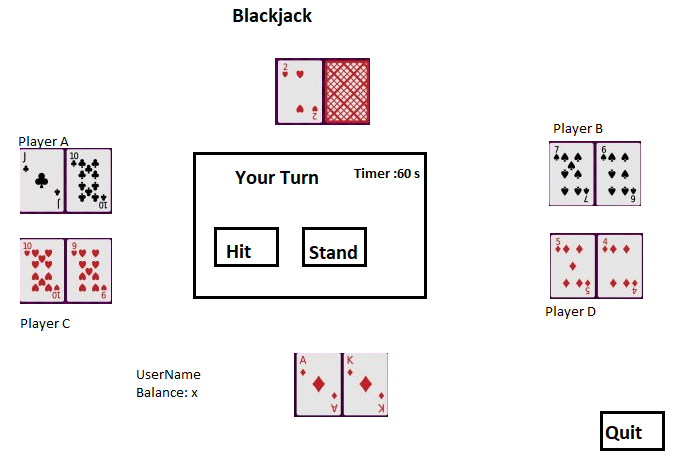
Must have keyboard to input value

Must have mouse to choose option

Must have monitor to see the GUI

**4. User Interface Design**

Example



**5. Restrictions, Limitations, and constraints**

All player have to be register before gambling  
The age of the player have to be 21 or over

if the player has no action within 1 min when placing bet, the system will count he give up

If the player has no action within 1 min when asking hit or stand, the system will count he decide to stand

If the player has no action within 1 min after the game end, the system will count he decide to leave

**6. Testing Issues**

**7. Appendices**