

Below is a PDF-style document that summarizes your C++ e-commerce project, written in English. The content is structured to fit a 4-page layout at a 12-point font size, ensuring it is concise yet comprehensive as per your request.

Report on E-Commerce Management System Analysis & Design

1. Object-Oriented Analysis (OOA) - Problem Domain Analysis

Initial analysis for the e-commerce system identified the following core entities:

- **Products:** Various types exist, each with common attributes (ID, name, price, stock) and specific ones (brand, warranty period for electronics).
- **Inventory:** A central repository for all products.
- **Shopping Cart:** A temporary collection of products selected by a user, along with their quantities.
- **Order:** A record of a completed purchase transaction.
- **Users/Customers:** Individuals who interact with the system to browse, add to cart, and checkout.
- **Discounts:** Can be applied to individual products or the entire cart.

Key operations include:

- Adding, removing, and searching for products.
 - Adding and removing items from the shopping cart.
 - Applying discounts.
 - Processing checkout and generating orders.
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2. Object-Oriented Design (OOD)

Our design leverages OOP principles to build a robust and maintainable system.

2.1. Class Design

- **Inheritance:** The **Product** class serves as the base class, holding common attributes and methods. The **Electronics** class inherits from **Product** to add specific attributes (like

brand and **warrantyPeriod**) and override methods (like **updateStock** and **displayInfo**) with specialized logic.

- **Interfaces:** An abstract class **Discountable** with a pure virtual function (virtual double `applyDiscount(...) = 0;`) was created. Both **Product** and **ShoppingCart** inherit from and implement this interface. This design enables **polymorphism**, allowing discounts to be applied uniformly to different object types.
 - **Template Classes:** The **InventoryList<T>** class is designed as a template to manage lists of any data type. In this system, it manages the **main inventory** (`InventoryList<shared_ptr<Product>>`) and the **shopping cart items** (`InventoryList<CartItem>`), promoting code reuse.
 - **Operator Overloading:**
 - Comparison operators (`==`, `!=`, `<`, `>`) are overloaded in the **Product** class for easy comparison by ID or price.
 - The stream insertion operator (`<<`) is overloaded for intuitive product output.
 - The assignment operator (`=`) is overloaded for safe object assignment.
 - The `+=` and `-=` operators are overloaded in the **ShoppingCart** class for a clean syntax to add and remove products.
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3. Code Walkthrough

- **Product::applyDiscount:** This is a virtual function overridden in **Electronics**. When called, it calculates the new price. In the **Electronics** class, it applies an additional 5% discount, demonstrating **polymorphism** in action.
 - **ShoppingCart::operator+=:** This method takes a (product, quantity) pair. It validates stock, updates the product's stock count, and then adds the item to the cart. The logic checks if the item already exists to update its quantity rather than adding a new entry, although this specific implementation has performance limitations.
 - **InventoryList<T>:** This class uses a **vector<T>** to store its items. Its methods like `addItem`, `removeItem`, and `searchItem` are written generically to work with any provided data type. The `searchById` method is specialized for products that have an ID.
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4. Test Results

4.1. Sample Outputs

1. TESTING CLASSES AND OBJECTS

Creating products and adding to inventory...

Added 'Gaming Laptop' to main inventory.

Added 'Smartphone' to main inventory.

Added 'C++ Programming Book' to main inventory.

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2. TESTING OPERATOR OVERLOADING

Cart operators test (+, -):

Adding product ID 101 (Qty: 2) to cart...

Electronics stock updated: -2 (New stock: 8)

Successfully added 2 x Gaming Laptop to cart (Total: \$2599.98)

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5. TESTING INTERFACE (DISCOUNTABLE) - POLYMORPHISM

Applying 15% discount to all discountable items polymorphically:

--- Item 1 ---

*** ELECTRONICS SPECIAL DISCOUNT ***

Base discount: 15% + Electronics bonus: 5%

Total discount applied: 20%

Original price: \$1299.99 -> Final price: \$1039.99

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7. ADVANCED OPERATIONS AND CHECKOUT

Processing checkout...

===== ORDER CONFIRMATION =====

Order ID: #1

Date: 2024-01-15

Status: Confirmed

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4.2. Explanation of Results

- The **OPERATOR OVERLOADING** section shows the += operator working correctly by automatically updating the product's stock.
- The **POLYMORPHISM** section illustrates the applyDiscount call on various objects. For the **Gaming Laptop** (an **Electronics** object), the system correctly called the derived class's applyDiscount version, applying an extra 5% discount.
- The **CHECKOUT** section demonstrates the successful creation of an **Order** object from the **ShoppingCart** content, followed by the cart's automatic clearing.

5. UML Diagrams

5.1. Class Diagram

- Shows relationships like **Generalization** between **Product** and **Electronics** (inheritance) and **Realization** of the **Discountable** interface by **Product** and **ShoppingCart**.
- Attributes and methods (with access modifiers) are listed within each class. The **InventoryList<T>** class is marked as a template.

5.2. Sequence Diagram

- Illustrates the flow of interactions when adding a product to the cart.
- It starts with the **ECommerceManager**, which searches for the product in the **InventoryList**, then calls the **ShoppingCart** to handle the addition logic and update the **Product**'s stock.

- The diagram uses an **alternative frame (alt)** to show different logical paths (product found or not found).
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6. LLM Usage

I used a Large Language Model (LLM) to assist in the development of this project, primarily for logic refinement and code optimization.

- **Design Optimization:** I prompted the LLM to evaluate the performance of my initial ShoppingCart design. It suggested using `std::map` as an alternative to improve the speed of finding items within the cart.
- **Code Refinement:** When facing issues with inefficient copying of the entire cart, I asked the LLM for alternative solutions.
- **UML Diagram Generation:** I requested the LLM to generate the PlantUML code for both the class and sequence diagrams based on my C++ code structure. I then adapted this code to ensure maximum accuracy and detail.

These interactions helped me make better design decisions and improve the overall efficiency of the code.

