

Object-Oriented Language and Theory

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Mini-Project Guidelines

1. Mini-Project Guidelines

1.1. Deadline

- **Week 15 (10PM December 11th, 2023):** Each team must choose a topic that their team wants to work on developing.
- **Week 15 (10PM December 16th, 2023):** Submission of Use case diagram & General class diagram
- **Week 17 (10PM December 30th, 2023):** Submission of Detailed class diagram
- **Week 18 (10PM January 6th, 2024):** Submission of all required documents and source code as described below
- **From Week 19:** Presentation of Mini-project

1.2. Overview

- All the mini-projects must be designed, applied object-oriented theory learnt in this course (e.g., **Encapsulation, Abstraction, Polymorphism, Inheritance**), and implemented in **Java** with a complete GUI and by students themselves. **If the teacher finds out that students didn't write the source code (even a part of it), the score will be 0.**
- You can use a library or even an open source to develop your mini-project, but **not encourage**. **You will be highly evaluated if you did all your mini-project by yourselves.** However, if you use any library or modify an open source, please remember to claim them in the report and presentation.
- Mini-Project Submission: Commit and push all your results as soon as possible to github (through git) before the announced deadline:
 - Report (pdf: pdf document): You don't need to submit the **printed version**, only need to push to the github into a directory, named "**report**", inside the root directory of the mini-project.
 - Assignment of members
 - Detail for classes/methods
 - Claim clearly if you copy/copy with modify/use the idea of any source. Otherwise, you will receive 0 for the midterm score.
 - Mini-project description
 - Describe in detail about your mini-project requirement
 - Use case diagram and explanation: How the users interact to the software with use cases
 - Design
 - A general class diagram: Class diagram may be with packages, including all classes without attributes/operations
 - Several class diagrams for each package or several packages, with detail attributes/operations for each class

- Explanation of the design: Describe the relationships between classes, the implementations of some important methods
- Slide to be pushed to github into a directory, named “**presentation**”, inside the root directory of the mini-project: **Maximum of 10 slides**:
 - Slide 1: Members & assignment
 - Slide 2: Problem statement
 - Slide 3: Use case diagram
 - Slide 4: General class diagram
 - Slide 5,6: Class diagrams for packages/modules
 - Slide 7,8,9: Explanation of OOP techniques in your design: e.g. Inheritance, Polymorphism, Association/Aggregation/Composition
 - Slide 10: Demo scenario with **video link**.
- Use case diagram and Class diagram: Put the .asta files and their exported images (in .png format) into a directory, named “**design**”, inside the root directory of the mini-project. These diagrams **must be designed by Astah UML software**.
- Source codes of the mini-project in a directory, named “**sourcecode**”
- Readme.md:
 - **Member information and assignment**
 - **Link of demo video for the application**
- Using a database is **not encouraged**.
- Using an additional framework, library, and/or API is **not encouraged**.
- Mini-Project Defense:
 - Application Demonstration (**live**): 5 minutes
 - **Design Explanation**: 10 minutes
 - **Q&A**: unlimited

1.3. Development Process

Step 1: Feasibility Study. All the team members analyze, understand the problem, and propose solutions/strategies to solve the problem.

Step 2: Requirement Analysis. From understanding of the problem, all the team members ought to be involved in this step so as to create a *sketch version* for the Use case diagram of your application.

Step 3: Design. We can create a work breakdown structure here to assign tasks to the team members.

UI/UX Design: Scene Builder (JavaFX) or Window Builder (Swing).

Component Design: Use case diagram and Class diagram.

Step 4: Implementation and Testing. Every piece of code had better be immediately tested after being written. When we integrate our codes, we must test, too.

Note: We always can go back to previous step(s) to make changes since nothing is perfect.

1.4. Version Control

1.4.1. Requirement

- Create a private repository with the naming convention **OOLT.HEDSPI.20231-TeamID** , e.g. OOLT.HEDSPI.20231-04. If you do not follow this naming convention, your repository will be ignored.
- Add trangntt.for.student@gmail.com as a member of your repository.

Note: Commit history reflects the contribution of each team member to the team.

1.4.2. Git Workflow in A Team

Applying Release Flow is required.

However, we would use a modified version of Release Flow for simplicity.

- We can create as many branches as we need.
- We name branches with meaningful names. See Table 1-Branching policy.
- We had better **keep branches as close to master as possible**; otherwise, we could face merge hell.
- Generally, when we merge a branch with its origin, that branch has been history. We usually do not touch it a second time.
- **We must strictly follow the policy for release branches. Others are flexible.**

<i>Branch</i>	<i>Naming convention</i>	<i>Origin</i>	<i>Merge to</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
feature or topic	+ feature/feature-name	master	master	Add a new feature or a topic
	+ feature/feature-area/feature-name	feature	feature	
	+ topic/description	topic	topic	
bugfix	bugfix/description	master	master	Fix a bug
		feature	feature	
		topic	topic	
hotfix	hotfix/description	master or release	master & release [1]	Fix a bug in a submitted project
refactor	refactor/description	master	master	Refactor
		feature	feature	
release	release/version-X.X	master	none	Submit project [2]

Table 1-Branching policy

[1] If we want to update your newly created branch, we could add codes to a new hotfix branch. Then we merge the hotfix branch with master and with the release branch. There is another way: we can delete the latest release branch, update master, and then create a new release branch.

[2] Latest version of the project in the latest release branch serves as the submitted project.

We can create a new release branch when we add a new feature, fix a critical bug or a few bugs, or refactor our code. Usually, we would create a new release branch when we add a new feature.

Typical steps¹:

- Create and switch to a new branch (e.g. **abc**) in the local repo: `git checkout -b abc`
- Make modification in the local repo
- Commit the change in the local repo: `git commit -m "What you have changed"`
- Create a new branch (e.g. **abc**) in the remote repo (github through GUI)
- Push the local branch to the remote branch: `git push origin abc`
- **File a pull request via GitHub GUI**. The rest of the team reviews the code, discusses it, and alters it.
- **Team leader merges** the remote branch (e.g. **abc**) into the official repository and closes the pull request (github through GUI)

After completing all the tasks of that week, and merge all branches into master branch, you should create a release/labxx branch from the master in the remote repo (github).

2. Shades of Java

Here are some Java Features & Terminologies that we might see while working on the mini-project.

Note: This part is just for **reading purposes only** and will not be included in the final examinations.

For the new features of Java 8, please see and
<https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/8-whats-new-2157071.html>
<https://o7planning.org/en/10323/syntax-and-new-features-in-java-8>.

2.1. Threading in Java

Keywords: Threads, Runnable, run(), start(), yield(), stop(), scheduling

See the following links

- <https://developer.ibm.com/technologies/java/tutorials/j-threads/>
- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/essential/concurrency/procthread.html>
- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/essential/concurrency/index.html>

2.2. Stream

Keyword: stream()

Why? For **aggregate computations** of collections of objects

For example,

```
int total = transactions.stream().filter(t -> t.getBuyer().getCity().equals("London"))  
                                .mapToInt(Transaction::getPrice)  
                                .sum();
```

¹ <https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials/making-a-pull-request#how-it-works>



Figure 1-Stream Pipeline²

If you need more details, you can see [here](#) (you will need an Oracle account).

2.3. Lambda Expressions

Lambda expressions basically express instances of Functional Interfaces in Java (see 2.6).

Why?

- Lambda expressions simplify how to **pass behavior as a parameter**
- A **function** that can be **created without belonging to any class**.

See some other reasons [here](#).

Syntax: ([parameter(s)]) -> { <codes of a function> }

See more about the syntax at this [link](#).

If you need more details, you can see [here](#) (you will need an Oracle account).

Note:

<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/difference-between-anonymous-inner-class-and-lambda-expression/?ref=rp>

2.4. JavaBeans

A JavaBean is a specially constructed Java **class** written in the following standards:

- It provides a default, no-argument constructor.
- It should be serializable and that which can implement the **Serializable** interface.
- It may have a number of properties which can be read or written.
- It may have a number of "**getter**" and "**setter**" methods for the properties.

2.5. Method and Constructor References

Method references let us reuse a method as a lambda expression, and same concept for constructor references. Also, they use **double colon (::) operator**. For better understanding, see this [link](#).

Format:

target_reference::method_name

2.6. Functional Interfaces in Java

A functional interface is an **interface** that contains **only one abstract method**. That's all.

² <https://www.oracle.com/webfolder/technetwork/tutorials/moocjdk8/documents/week2/lesson-2-2.pdf>

Beside the way to create a new class implementing functional interface, we could use Lambda Expressions as shown in section 2.3 above. See more at the following links.

[Functional Interfaces And Their Definition](#)

[Functional Interfaces in the java.util.function Package](#)

2.7. Anonymous Classes

It is an **inner class without a name**. Use them if you need to use a **local class only once**.

See more at <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/javaOO/anonymousclasses.html>

Syntax:

```
new <ClassName> ( [parameter(s)] ) {  
    // attributes & methods  
}
```

Note:

<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/difference-between-anonymous-inner-class-and-lambda-expression/?ref=rp>

2.8. Annotation in Java

Annotations start with “@” and **provides supplement information** of a program. Annotations have **no direct effect** on the operation of the code they annotate.

For better understanding, see <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/annotations-in-java/>.

3. Reference for GUI programming

The following might help you with GUI programming through tutorials, sample codes and explanations.

- Swing:
https://www3.ntu.edu.sg/home/ehchua/programming/java/j4a_gui.html
<https://zetcode.com/javaswing/>
- JavaFX:
<https://o7planning.org/11009/javafx>
<https://code.makery.ch/library/javafx-tutorial/>
- Oracle Java tutorial (includes both JavaFX and Swing)
<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/javase-clienttechnologies.htm>
- Advanced 2D graphics programming: <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/2d/index.html>
- General tips for UI/UX design:
<https://www.cs.umd.edu/~ben/goldenrules.html>
<http://athena.ecs.csus.edu/~buckley/CSc238/Psychology%20of%20UX.pdf>