

IT'S YOUR TURN!

Your lead.cards:

CHOSEN	CHOSEN
pts:3	pts:2
STORAGE	DISCOUNT

Your dev.cards:

Lvl:	Lvl:	Lvl:
In:	In:	In:
Out:	Out:	Out:

Your Resources:

-coins: 0  
-shields: 0  
-servants: 0  
-stones: 0

Choose your move,type:

1->market  
2->buy dev.cards  
3->activate production

Enter here your choice: 1,2 or 3

Masters of the Renaissance - GC7

It's your turn! Choose your Initial Leader Cards

END TURN

Welcome Common Board Your Board



# PROVA FINALE DI INGEGNERIA DEL SOFTWARE

GC07

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# CORE DECISIONS

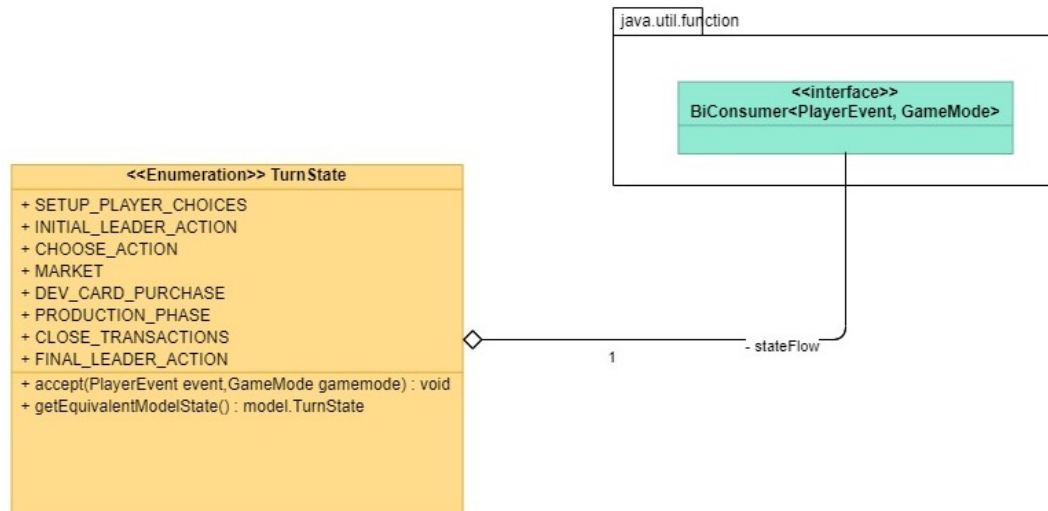
- ASCII Art for Command Line Interface
- **Swing** over JavaFX
- Full Rule Set + 2 Advanced Features (Multiple Game Sessions, Disconnection Resilience)
- Thin Client
- Client-Server messages and Card Data use JSON serialization (GSON Library)



# OTHER DECISIONS

- On Client Side, graphics are loaded once to optimize memory usage and can easily be accessed through a ImageRepository (Singleton)

ImageRepository
- personalBoardImg : Image
- marketBoardImg : Image
- cardImages : Map<Integer, Image>
- vaticanReportDisabledImgs : Image[3]
- vaticanReportEnabledImgs : Image[3]
- resourceImgs : Image[4]
- redCrossImg : Image
- blackCrossImg : Image
- inkwellImg : Image
- marbleImgs : Image[7]
- actionTokenImgs : Image[6]
- horizontalMarketArrow : Image
- verticalMarketArrow : Image
- leaderCardBackImg : Image
- personalBoardBWImg : Image
+ loadAllGraphics() : void

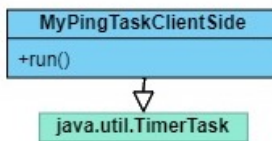
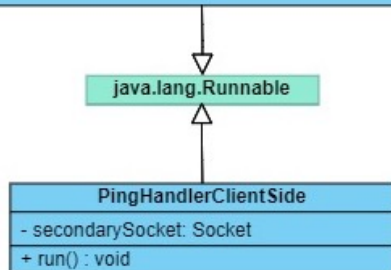
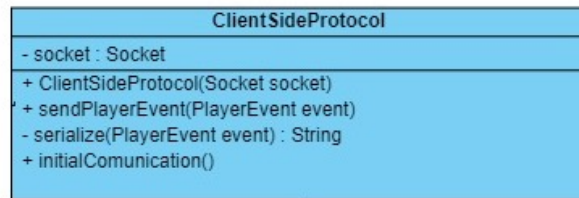


- When the controller receives a `PlayerEvent`, the message is handled by a `BiConsumer` encapsulated in each state the player turn may be (`TurnState`). Each consumer function calls methods from `GameMode`, a controller class containing methods to perform actions on the game session.

# A CRITICAL DECISION

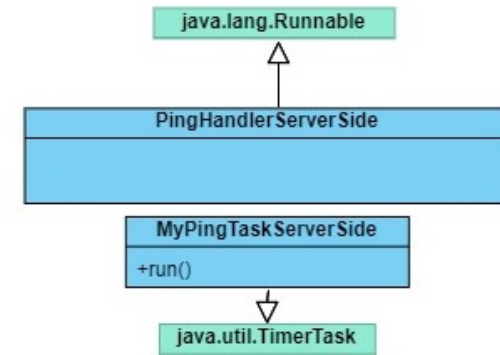
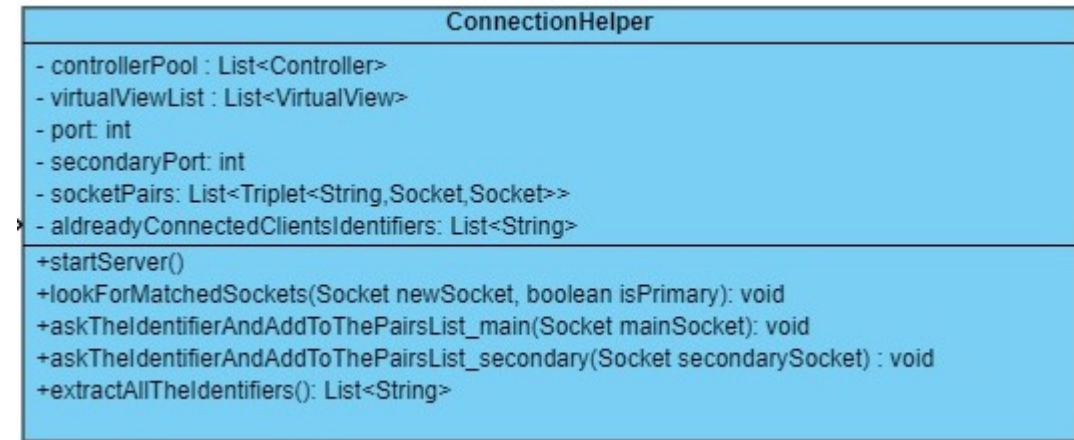
- We decided to implement the FA: Client Reconnection using a **ping mechanism**
- Many reasons led us to this decision:
  1. The clients' connection isn't reliable: in some cases they disconnect without notify the server
  2. Since the disconnected players skip their turn, by a tactical prospective can be useful to always know who's connected and who's not
  3. A simple idea to know when a client is disconnected is to put a timer on player's moves: it's easy to implement but
    - Puts a constraint on users' move time
    - To recognise that a player is truly disconnected a long timeout must pass and all the players have to wait

# A CRITICAL DECISION



- We then chose to implement a ping mechanism. Handling disconnections properly, especially in the CLI, ended up requiring two sockets: one for the CompressedModel / PlayerEvent messages and one for the continuous *ping* message. With the current implementation, it takes 5 seconds without a ping to disconnect the player.

- To pair the two sockets without ambiguity, a unique identifier for the client is generated randomly and sent upon first connection.



- Thanks to this approach, the thread that receives the message also handles the turn and sends the answer back. This eliminates many synchronization hazards.



# CLI & GUI

## - Common Board

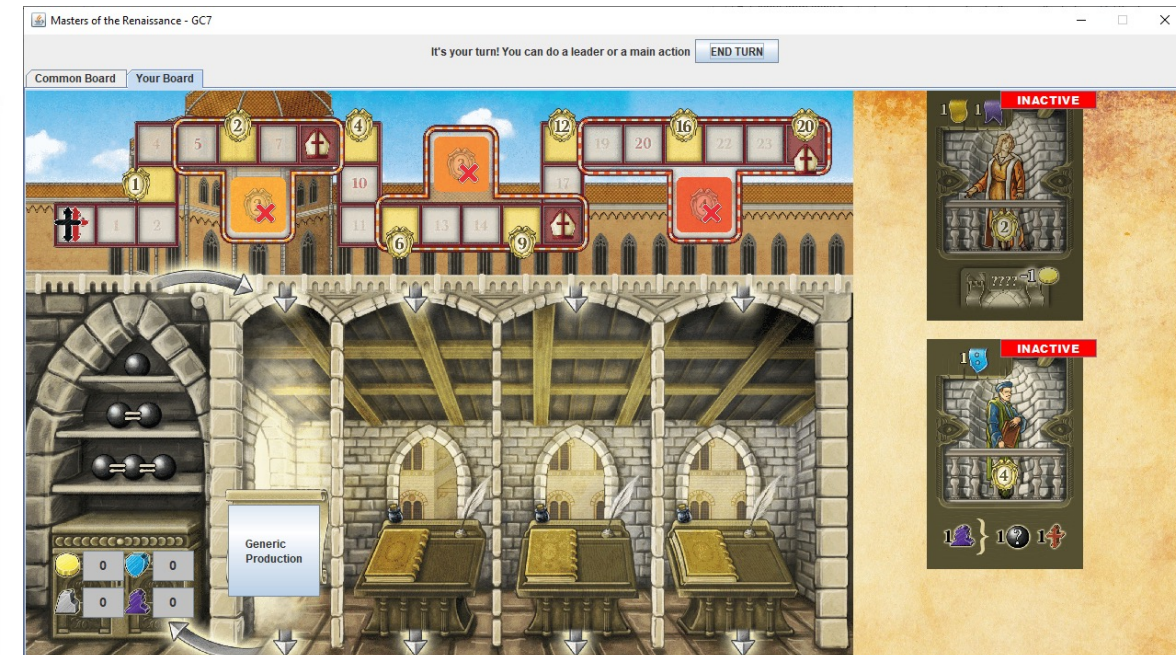
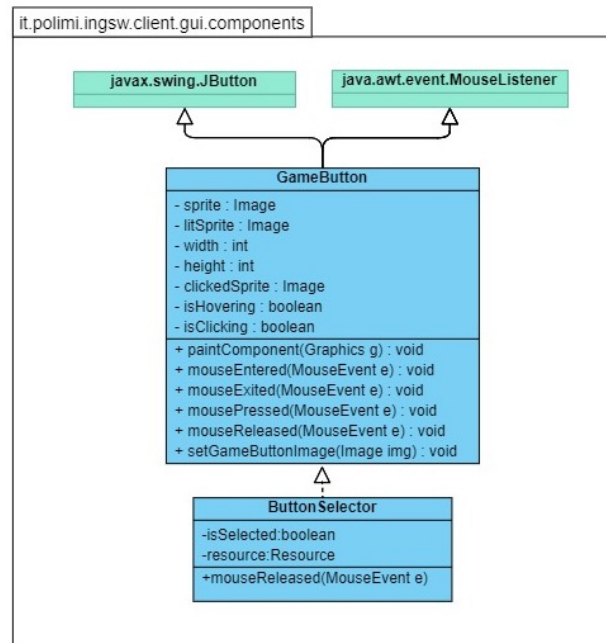
Contains common spaces available to all players: *Market Board* and *Development Card Grid*.

## - Player Board

Contains the player specific buttons and views.

- Buttons are disabled for other players' boards.
- Other players' leader cards become visible upon activation

- Selection of cards and market rows / columns is done with *GameButtons*, which have transparent backgrounds and are highlighted when the mouse hovers on them.

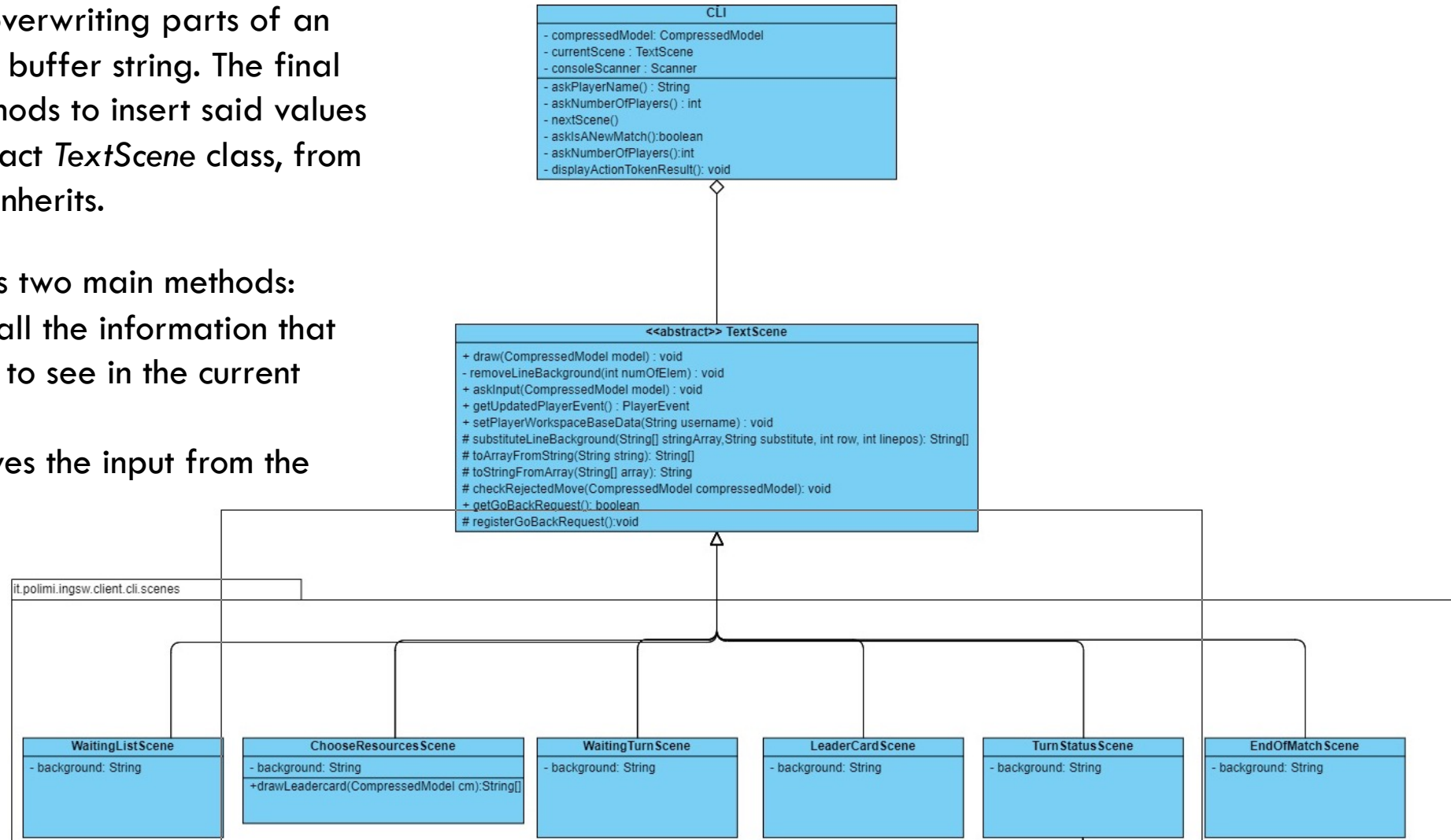


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- Values are inserted by overwriting parts of an ASCII background using a buffer string. The final string is then printed. Methods to insert said values are contained in the abstract *TextScene* class, from which every actual scene inherits.

- The *TextScene* class has two main methods:
  1. *Draw()* : it prints all the information that the player needs to see in the current scene
  2. *AskInput()*: retrieves the input from the player

- The correct scene is shown based on the *TurnState* received from server.



# CLI & GUI

## - CLI - TurnStatusScene

Here the players can see their Development cards and owned resources.

- They are given the choice to do a *Market Action*, *Buy a Dev Card* or *Activate Production Powers*

