Object-Oriented Programming Semester 2025-I Workshop No. 4 — Layers Architecture

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This workshop builds upon Workshop #1 (conceptual design), Workshop #2 (technical design), and Workshop #3 (architectural principles) to finalize your layered application implementation. You will create a Java Swing-based GUI and integrate file-based persistence to replicate basic database operations within your simple transactional application.

Workshop Scope and Objectives:

- Layered Architecture Review: Confirm your classes are logically divided into presentation, business, and data handling layers.
- Java Swing UI Implementation: Develop a small, functional interface allowing end-users to perform core transactions or data manipulations.
- File Persistence: Serialize or otherwise store key data (transactions, user details, etc.) to a local file.

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Methodology and Deliverables:

1. Revisiting Layers and Design:

- Check that your existing class diagrams and design documents still hold with this final layer approach.
- Adjust or refactor as needed to ensure minimal coupling and clear responsibility boundaries.

2. Swing-based GUI Prototype:

- Implement one or more basic forms or windows (using Java Swing) for core actions (e.g., create transaction, list items).
- Keep the interface sufficiently simple, emphasizing functionality over aesthetics.

3. File Storage:

- Write methods to persist objects (deriving from your business classes) to a file, then reload them when the application restarts.
- Manage possible data conflicts or validation scenarios in a basic but robust manner.

4. Documentation and Artifact Submission:

- Provide updated UML diagrams (class or sequence) illustrating how each layer communicates in the final solution.
- Include short code samples or references to newly added classes for the GUI and data access logic.

5. Final Deliverables:

- A PDF combining diagrams, brief implementation notes, and usage instructions.
- A Workshop-4 folder in your repository containing the code, documentation, and a README.md with build/run steps.

Deadline: Friday, June 27th21st, 2025, 16:00. Late submissions may be subject to penalties.

Notes:

- Use **English** for all written deliverables.
- Cite any references or tutorials that aided your Swing and file IO implementations.
- This final workshop showcases a complete, multi-layer approach for your transactional application, positioning you for additional features or improvements after the course.

Congratulations on reaching the final step of your OOP journey! Focus on integrating a user-friendly GUI, effective file persistence, and a robust layered design to finalize your project successfully.