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Lab activity 7. Parking management

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1 Context and planning

This lab activity summarises all the concepts of the subject, specially those corresponding to "Unit 7. Arrays: definition and applications". To solve it you can consult, among other materials, Chapter 9 of the book "Empezar a programar usando Java" (3rd edition)¹.

This activity lasts for three sessions where activities proposed in this statement will be developed. In Table 1 you can see the planning of activities for each session, emphasising required homework to cover all the objectives in the planned time.

¹Chapter 10 in 2nd edition.

	In classroom	Homework
Previous	_	Read this statement
Session 1	1, 2, and 3	Continue the implementation of Ticket and Floor classes
Session 2	4 and 5	Successfully finish the implementation of Parking class
Session 3	6, 7 and 8	Validate all implemented classes

Table 1: Planning of activities

2 Problem statement

It is desired to implement an application that simulates an intelligent parking in which, when a vehicle enters, the parking space to park is indicated, and when the vehicle leaves the parking, indicates which is the fare to be paid. Moreover, the application must offer the possibility of locating the vehicle (i.e., knowing on which parking space and floor is), and must be able to show the parking occupancy (i.e., show the different parking spaces indicating if they are occupied or free). Finally, the parking must have a mechanism to empty all spaces at the end of the day and calculate the corresponding fare for this action (i.e., the accumulated fare for all retired vehicles).



The proposed application must be organised in several datatype classes that would be instantiated to the different objects involved in the application. These classes are:

- TimeInstant: keeps data on the hour and minutes that define a timestamp; in this case, is used for representing the enter hour of a vehicle into the parking and its exit hour. This class was implemented in lab activity 4 in the package labact4 and must be imported in all the other classes.
- Ticket: defines parking data of a vehicle that enters the parking: plate number, enter hour, and location (floor and space number).
- Floor: represents a floor in a parking (with their corresponding number and free spaces), and its occupancy by the set of tickets associated to the vehicles parked on that floor.
- Parking: represents a parking as the occupancy of its floors (with a fixed number of spaces by floor), along with the corresponding fee (in euros per minute).

Apart from that, it is necessary a program class ParkingManager that implements the access to the different functionalities of the application.

Activity 1: creation of the BlueJ package labact7

- Open Blue J and create in your iip project a new package labact7; close the project and Blue J.
- 2. Download in the folder corresponding to package labact7 the files available in PoliformaT (folder Recursos/Laboratorio/Práctica 7/English/code) of IIP.
- 3. Open again *BlueJ*, re-open your iip project and enter in package labact7, that must contain (as shown in Figure 1) the code files Ticket.java, Floor.java, Parking.java, and ParkingManager.java; apart from that, in the folder you will have two text files (parkingIIP.txt and parkingIIP-Full.txt), although they are not seen from *BlueJ*.
- 4. Access to directory \$HOME/asigDSIC/ETSINF/iip/pract7/docEnglish and open the file index.html with any browser. You would be able to examine the documentation (in the usual Java format) of the classes that you must implement.



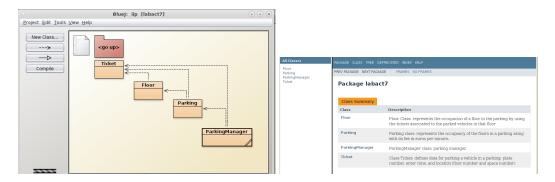


Figure 1: Package labact7 in BlueJ and its documentation.

3 Ticket class

The Ticket class defines the parking data for a vehicle in a parking by the following private instance attributes:

- plate: String that indicates the plate number of the associated vehicle.
- enterHour: TimeInstant that indicates the time when the vehicle entered in the parking.
- floor and space: integer numbers that represent the location of the vehicle in the parking, that initially have value -1 and, after parking the associated vehicle, take the values of the floor and space number, respectively, where the vehicle is parked on.

This class has the following methods:

- Constructor Ticket(String, TimeInstant): creates a Ticket object associated to a vehicle, with the plate number and enter time given as parameters, that access to the parking and, consequently, has no assigned location.
- A consultor method for each attribute: getPlate(), getEnterHour(), getFloor() and getSpace().
- Modifier methods for floor and space: setFloor(int) and setSpace(int); they will be used when parking the vehicle.
- A toString() method, that overrides that of Object, that returns a String with the data of the ticket in the following format:
 - When the ticket has not assigned location:

"Plate: PLATE - Enter time: ENTERHOUR"

- When it has it assigned:

"Plate: PLATE - Enter time: ENTERHOUR - Floor: FLOOR - Space number: SPACE"

Activity 2: implementation and test of Ticket class

- Review in the Ticket class the definition of the attributes and methods that are given.
- Complete the constructor method following its specification.
- Complete the toString() method following its specification.
- By using the Code Pad or the Object Bench of *BlueJ*, create a Ticket object of a vehicle with plate number 1234AC that enters the parking at 10:25. Check that the result is that shown in Figure 2.



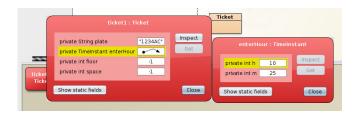


Figure 2: Ticket object for a vehicle with plate 1234AC that enters the parking at 10:25.

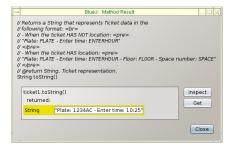


Figure 3: Result of the toString() method for a Ticket of a vehicle with plate 1234AC, enter time 10:25, without assigned location.

- Execute each of the consultors and check the correct result.
- Execute the toString() method and check that the result is that shown in Figure 3.
- Execute methods setFloor(int) and setSpace(int) to update the floor and parking space of the created Ticket with values 2 and 5 respectively. Check that the result is that shown in Figure 4.

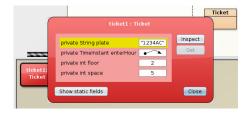


Figure 4: Ticket object of a vehicle situated in floor 2 and parking space 5 of the parking.

• Execute the toString() method and check that the result is that shown in Figure 5.

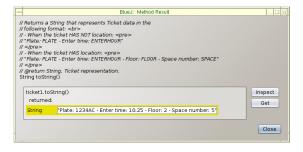


Figure 5: Result of the toString() method for a Ticket of a vehicle with plate 1234AC, enter time 10:25, situated on floor 2 and space 5 of the parking.



4 Floor class

The Floor class allows to represent a floor in the parking with an associated number, and that has a set of spaces that can be free or occupied. It is defined by the following private instance attributes:

- numFloor: integer that indicates floor number.
- spaces: array of Ticket objects of a given size (given in the constructor when the object is created) that represents the occupancy of the parking spaces on the floor. The number of each space corresponds with its position on this array, in a way that spaces[i] keeps the Ticket associated to the vehicle parked on space i, or it is null when the space is free (with $0 \le i < \text{spaces.length}$).
- freeSpaces: integer that indicates the number of free parking spaces on the floor (initially, the whole number of spaces).

Methods for that class are the following:

• Floor(int, int) constructor: creates an object Floor given a number for the floor and number of spaces, with all parking spaces free (see Figure 6).

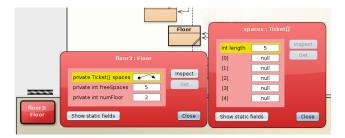


Figure 6: Floor object for floor 2 in a parking, with 5 parking spaces (all free).

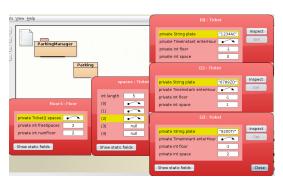
- A consultor method for the number of floor, and a consultor method of the number of free spaces: getFloor() and getFreeSpaces().
- A method isFull() that returns true when floor has no free spaces, and false otherwise.
- A method firstFree() that returns the number of the first free space (i.e., that with lowest number) on the floor, or -1 when no free spaces available. This method must employ the isFull() method.
- A method park(Ticket) that, given a Ticket without assigned location, simulates the parking process on that floor of the associated vehicle (see Figure 7) as follows: if there are free spaces (textttfirstFree() returns different from -1), assigns the Ticket parameter to the first free space (that of lowest number), and updates the number of space in the Ticket² and the number of free spaces on the floor. This method must employ the firstFree() method.
- A method searchTicket(String) that checks if, given a plate number, the corresponding vehicle is on the floor, returning the associated Ticket if found, or null otherwise.
- A method leave(int, TimeInstant) that simulates a vehicle leaving from the floor (see Figure 8), given the number of space spc, occupied (spaces[spc] != null), and a TimeInstant that represents the exit time (posterior to that vehicle's enter hour); this method must return the number of minutes that passed from the vehicle entrance until the given exit time. When the vehicle leaves, the spaces array and the number of free spaces must be updated.

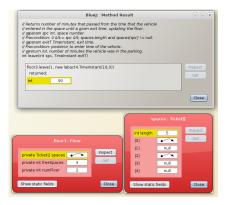


²Notice that number of floor is not updated here, but in the Parking.park method.



Figure 7: Result for the method park(Ticket) when parking a vehicle on floor 2 of a parking with 5 free spaces.





- (a) Floor object of the floor 2 of a parking, with 3 occupied spaces (of the total 5).
- (b) Result of leaving, at 16:00, the vehicle on space 1 that entered at 14:30.

Figure 8: Result for the method leave(int, TimeInstant).

- A method emptyFloor(TimeInstant) that, given a TimeInstant that represents an empty time (posterior to the enter time of all the vehicles on the floor), takes out all the vehicles and returns the total number of accumulated minutes for all the vehicles that were on the floor until the given exit time. This method must use leave(int, TimeInstant) method.
- A method toString() (that overrides that of Object) that returns a String with the occupancy of a floor. For example, if the floor is number 2 and, from the 5 spaces that it has, numbers 0, 1, 3, and 4 are occupied, the resulting String would be: " 2 X X X X X X " as can be seen in Figure 9. The same String, but substituting spaces by for a clearer view of the format, is "--2---X---X----X-". This method is already implemented.

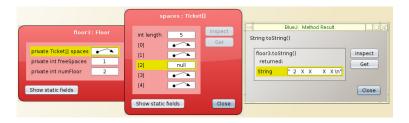


Figure 9: Result of method toString().

Activity 3: implementation and test of the Floor class

Implement the attributes and methods for the Floor class. When finished, you can test it by using the Code Pad or Object Bench of *Blue J.* More specifically, check the behaviour of the



constructor and the methods park(Ticket), searchTicket(String), leave(int, TimeInstant), and emptyFloor(TimeInstant), as shown in Figures 6, 7, and 8.

5 Parking class

The Parking class represents a parking as a set of floors with free and occupied spaces, along with the corresponding fee (euros per minute). It is defined according the following attributes:

- FLOOR_SPACES: public constant class attribute, with value 5, that indicates the number of spaces per floor.
- floors: private instance attribute, array of Floor objects with a given size (defined when the object is created in the constructor), that represents the floors in the parking. The number of each floor corresponds with its position in this array, in a way such that in floors[i], the Floor of number i is stored, with $0 \le i < floors.length$.
- fee: private instance attribute, real positive, that represents the parking fee (in euros per minute).

The behaviour of the objects in this class is given by the following methods:

• Parking(int, double) constructor: creates a Parking object given number of floors and fee, that initially is an empty parking (see Figure 10).

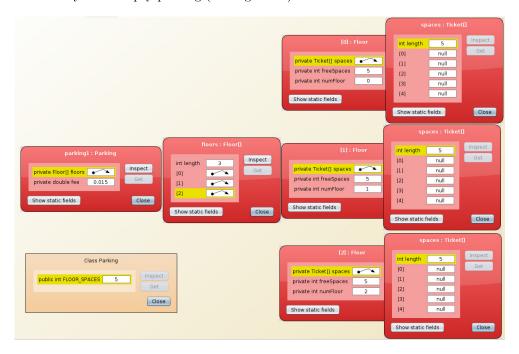
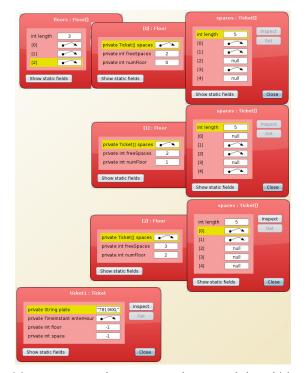


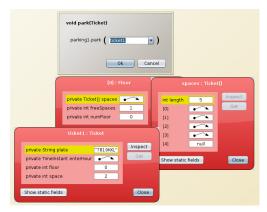
Figure 10: Parking object that represents a parking with 3 floors, 5 spaces per floor (all them free), and a fee of 0.015€/minute.

• Parking(String) constructor: alternative constructor that reads from a text file, in a specific format, data occupancy for the parking in a given moment, initialising with those data items the instance attributes of the created Parking object. If you open with any text file editor the file parkingIIP.txt (or parkingIIP-Full.txt), you will see that first and second line keep, respectively, the number of floors and the fee of the parking, and the following lines the data for the parked vehicles (number of floor, plate, enter hour and minutes). This method is fully implemented since file management is taught in PRG (second semester). It is used here for making test without having to input manually data in each execution.



- A consultor method for the number of floors and a consultor method for the fee: getNumFloor() and getFee().
- A modifier method to update the fee: setFee(double).
- A method isFull() that returns true when the parking is full; otherwise, returns false. The parking is full when all the floors all full; thus, this method uses the method isFull() of the Floor class.
- A method park(Ticket) that, supposing that the parking has free spaces and given a Ticket without previous location, simulates the parking process for the associated vehicle in the first space (that of lowest number) on the first floor (that of lowest number) with free spaces (see Figure 11). The process is: once the floor with lowest number with free spaces is found, update with that number the number of floor of the Ticket and then call the park(Ticket) method for that floor in order to make the parking.





- (a) floors array of a Parking and Ticket of the vehicle to be parked.
- (b) Result of parking in the first free space (space 2 of floor 0).

Figure 11: Result of the method park(Ticket).

• A method park(Ticket, int) that, supposing that there are free spaces in the parking and given a Ticket without assigned location and a preferred floor, simulates the parking process of the vehicle associated in that floor if there are free spaces in that floor; otherwise, it must park in the closest floor with free spaces, as Figure 12 shows, in order to guarantee a space in a floor as closest as possible to the preferred floor. Once the floor is found, the number of floor of the Ticket object must be updated and the method park(Ticket) for that floor must be called in order to make the parking. In more details, the search strategy to be implemented described in Figure 12, applied when the preferred floor pref has no free spaces, consists of searching first the previous floor pref - 1 and, if no free spaces are present, search in the posterior floor pref + 1. In case that floor has no free spaces, the search is repeated for floors pref - 2 and pref + 2, and so on, until finding a floor with free spaces.





Figure 12: Search strategy to be implemented in method park(Ticket, int) in order to obtain a floor with free spaces.

• A method searchTicket(String) that checks if, given a vehicle plate, is in the parking (see Figure 13), returning the Ticket associated to the vehicle if found, or null otherwise. This method must employ the method searchTicket(String) of Floor.



Figure 13: Result of the method searchTicket(String) in the Parking object of Figure 11(b) in order to locate a vehicle with plate 7819KKL.

• A method leave(Ticket, TimeInstant) that simulates the exit of a vehicle from the parking, given a valid Ticket (with assigned location and with its vehicle in the parking), and a TimeInstant that represents the exit time (posterior to enter time of the vehicle), and returns the fare to be paid (see Figure 14). Since taking out a vehicle from the parking is taking it out from the floor where it is, this method must employ the method leave(int, TimeInstant) of Floor.



Figure 14: Result of the method leave(Ticket, TimeInstant) in the Parking object of Figure 11(b) when taking out, at 11:20, the vehicle with plate 7819KKL.

- A method emptyParking() that makes the parking empty, taking out all the vehicles, supposing that time is 23:59, and returning the total fare in euros to be paid for all the retired vehicles. Since emptying the parking is emptying all its floors, this method must employ the method emptyFloor(TimeInstant) of Floor.
- A toString() method, that overrides that of Object, that returns a String representing the occupancy of the parking with the following format: a first line that identifies the spaces corresponding to each floor, followed by as many lines as floors that represent the occupancy of each floor (result of the toString() method for Floor). For example, for a parking with 3 floors and 5 spaces per floor, where occupancy is: spaces 0, 1, and 3 of floor 0; spaces 1, 2, and 4 for floor 1; spaces 0 and 1 for floor 2 (situation of the Parking object in Figure 11(a)),



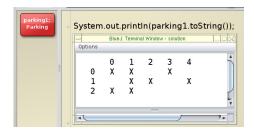


Figure 15: Result of the toString() method for the Parking object in Figure 11(a).

the result String is the one shown in the terminal window of *BlueJ* in Figure 15. Below is shown that String but changing blank spaces by - in order to clarify the used format:

Activity 4: Parking class implementation and test

Implement the attributes and methods for the Parking class. When finished, you can test it by using the Code Pad or Object Bench of *BlueJ*. In particular, check the behaviour of the constructor and the methods park(Ticket), park(Ticket, int) (pay special attention to the case where preferred floor has no free spaces), searchTicket(String), leave(Ticket, TimeInstant), emptyParking(), and toString().

You can create your own file in order to define a situation of the parking or employ the text files given (parkingIIP.txt and parkingIIP-Full.txt) in order to create a parking with a specific occupancy (by using the Parking(String) constructor) in order to make fast tests. For example, the situation in Figure 11(a) is the result of creating a Parking object from the data in file parkingIIP-Full.txt and executing the methods searchTicket(String) and leave(Ticket, TimeInstant) for the vehicles with the following plates: 7819KKL, 8199BBD, 1123DXC, 7264BPR, 67890BD, 54321EF, and 98796GH.

6 ParkingManager class

The ParkingManager class is a menu-driven application that offers six different options: park a vehicle, make a vehicle leave, search for a vehicle, show occupancy, make empty the parking, and finishing the application.

Activity 5: test of the ParkingManager class

Execute the main method of ParkingManager as is given and check the behaviour of each option. Modify the code in order to employ other initial configurations (empty parking or full parking by using the parkingIIP-Full.txt in the parking creation with Parking(String) constructor). In Figure 16, an example of execution of ParkingManager with the data in parkingIIP.txt is shown.

7 Validation of the classes

When you teacher consider it as convenient, you will have available in PoliformaT unit test for the different classes that you have implemented, in order to validate their implementation. In that case, you will have to add the test units to the labact7 package and it must appear something similar to what you have in Figure 17.

In general, to make tests correctly execute, you must:





Figure 16: Execution example for ParkingManager.

- Employ the names for the attributes and methods proposed in the statement and the documentation of the .java files provided to you, following the features and restrictions about modifiers and parameters proposed in the statement for each of them.
- In the methods that return a String result, follow the format and text indicated in the statement.

Activity 6: validation of the Ticket class

- 1. To employ the test for this activity, you must have validated the TimeInstant class (you have available the validation test Lab4TestUnit from lab activity 4), since it is used in the Ticket class. Any error in the TimeInstant class probably would cause errors in the test for Ticket class and in any other that employs TimeInstant.
- 2. Choose the option *Test All* from the pop-up menu activated by right-clicking the test icon. A set of tests would be executed on the methods of the tested class, comparing obtained and expected results.
- 3. As happened in previous lab activities, when the methods are correct, in *Test Results* window of *BlueJ* they will be marked with ✓ (green color). If any of the method does not work correctly, in *Test Results* windows the method will be marked with X. If any of the tests is selected, the lower part of the window displays an indicative message about the cause of the error.
- 4. If after correcting errors and recompiling the class the test unit icon appears stripped, you must close and re-open the *BlueJ* project.



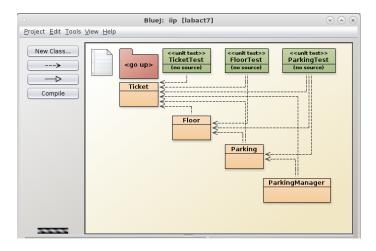


Figure 17: labact7 package with test units.

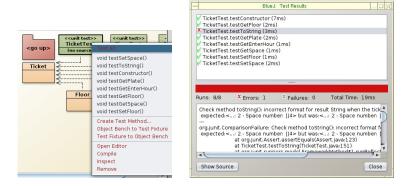


Figure 18: Execution of the unit test TicketTest and its Test Results window in BlueJ.

Activity 7: validation of the Floor class

To use the test of the Floor class, employ the option *Test All* from the pop-up menu that appears when right-clicking the icon of FloorTest. As you did in the validation for the classes of Activity 6, a set of test on the methods of Floor will be executed, comparing the obtained and the expected result. This test needs that the implementations of TimeInstant and Ticket are correct. Thus, first you have to pass the tests for those classes.

Activity 8: validation of the Parking class

Validate the Parking class by executing the TestParking test unit. This test supposes that the classes implemented until this moment are correct. Thus, you must pass successfully the tests for those classes before testing this last one.

