

Methodology of Problem Solving – WGUI

1. Understanding the Problem

The first step is to clearly understand what the program must do:

- Input **grades** for students in **two classes** (ITC I21, ITC 122).
 - Calculate **final grades** using **weighted formula**:
$$\text{Final Grade} = (\text{Midterm} \times 0.40) + (\text{Finals} \times 0.60)$$

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 - Determine **pass/fail** status (final grade $\geq 75 \rightarrow \text{PASS}$).
 - Track total **passed** and **failed students**.
 - Compute **percentage**, **ratio**, and check **class passing rate**.
 - Validate **inputs** (numeric, within range).
 - Present results in an **easy-to-read GUI table**.
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2. Problem Decomposition

Break down the problem into smaller, manageable tasks:

Step 1: Class Selection

- Present options: ITC I21 or ITC 122.
- Determine the required passing rate based on the class:
 - ITC I21 $\rightarrow 70\%$
 - ITC 122 $\rightarrow 40\%$

Step 2: Set Number of Students

- Input total number of students (0–99).
- Validate input: numeric, within range.
- Initialize counters: `passed`, `failed`, `enteredStudents`.

Step 3: Input Grades

- Loop for each student:
 - Input **Midterm grade**
 - Input **Finals grade**
 - Validate numeric input and range (0–100).
- Calculate **final grade**.
- Determine **status (PASS/FAIL)**.
- Update **counters**.

Step 4: Display Individual Student Info

Show a **table-like format** with:

`Student | Midterm | Finals | Final | Status`

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Step 5: Display Summary

- Total passed and failed students.
- Number of students passed out of total.
- Percentage of students passed and failed.
- Ratio of passed to failed.

- Check if class meets the **required passing rate**.
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3. Input / Output Identification

Type	Input	Output
Selection	Class (ITC I21 / ITC 122)	Required passing rate (70% / 40%)
Integer	Number of students (0–99)	Initialize counters
Double	Midterm grade (0–100)	Display in table, calculate final grade
Double	Finals grade (0–100)	Display in table, calculate final grade
Computed	Final grade ($\text{Midterm} \cdot 0.4 + \text{Finals} \cdot 0.6$)	Display status (PASSED/FAILED), percentages, ratio

4. Process / Algorithm

1. **Select Class** → determine passing rate.
2. **Enter total students** → validate range (0–99).
3. **Initialize counters** → `passed = 0, failed = 0, enteredStudents = 0`.
4. **Loop for each student:**
 - Input midterm and finals grades (validate numeric, 0–100).
 - Calculate final grade.
 - If final grade ≥ 75 → `passed++`, else → `failed++`.
 - Append student info to table output.
5. **After all students:**
 - Calculate pass % and fail %.

- Display summary with passed, failed, ratio, and class passing rate check.
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5. Constraints / Validation

- Number of students: **0–99**
 - Grades: **0–100**, numeric only
 - Passing grade: **≥ 75**
 - Cannot enter grades beyond total number of students
 - Class passing rate: ITC I21 = 70%, ITC 122 = 40%
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6. Edge Cases

- Total students = 0 → percentages = 0%
 - Invalid numeric input → prompt user again
 - Grades below 0 or above 100 → rejected
 - User tries to enter more grades than total students → prevented
 - Pass % exactly at threshold → counts as PASSED
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7. Solution Design / Flow

High-level steps:

1. Start → Display GUI → Select class
2. Set total students → Initialize counters

3. Loop → Input Midterm and Finals → Validate → Compute Final Grade → Update counters → Display student info
4. After all students → Compute % and ratio → Display summary → Check required passing rate
5. End

Optional: Reset GUI to start a new class

8. Tools / Techniques Used

- **Java Swing** → GUI interface
- **JTextField, JComboBox, JTextArea** → Input & Output
- **GridLayout / BorderLayout** → organize GUI components
- **ActionListener** → handle button clicks
- **String.format / printf** → display grades & percentages with 2 decimal places
- **Counters** → passed, failed, enteredStudents
- **Input validation** → numeric & range checks