

CH5_001

EXERCISE

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Exercise Files

Starter – "Kit/gpgt/server/scripts/gpgt/chapter5/exercise001.cs"

Answers – "Kit/gpgt/server/scripts/gpgt/chapter5/answers/exercise001_f.cs"

Exercise Mission

Chapter 5: "001_Communications: Commands"

Synopsis

In this exercise, we will write a few different commands re-using and expanding upon the features we used in the chapter 3 exercises.

Prerequisites

1. *ch1_001.pdf "Using The Kit"*
2. *ch3_003.pdf "Ghost Resolution"*
3. *ch3_005.pdf "Screen Blackout"*

Exercises

1. *Black Out (all) Clients' Screens (pg 2)*
2. *Resolve Client's Control Object Ghost (pg 3)*

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1 Black Out (all) Clients' Screens

Goal: Re-use the blackout code we wrote in chapter 3 and to expand this code to allow the server to black out (and fade in) all clients' screens using one command.

Starter Code: You are provided with 2 function bodies to start this exercise.

```
// 1
function fadeScreenOutandIn( %start, %outTime, %waitTime, %inTime )
{
    // FUNCTION BODY?
}

// 2
function FUNCTION_NAME?( arguments? )
{
}
```

Steps:

1. Modify the first function `fadeScreenOutandIn()` to iterate over all clients and to send them a command with these arguments:
 - 'fadeScreenOutandIn' – Tag including the name of the client command to execute.
 - %start, %outTime, %waitTime, %inTime – The four time arguments. These serve the same purpose they did in the chapter 3 screen blackout exercise (ch3_005.pdf)
2. Modify the name and argument list of second function to properly match the function name as it will be called on the client in response to the `commandToClient()` call from the first function.
3. Modify the body of the second function to fade the screen out and then in, using the supplied arguments.

Output Goal:

When `fadeScreenOutandIn()` is called, all clients' screens should fade to black, stay black, and the fade back in, based on the time values you pass to the function.

Hints:

None.

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2 Resolve Client's Control Object Ghost

Goal: Write a set of commands that enable a client tell the server to send back the client's control object ghost index and the server object ID for that index.

Starter Code: You are provided with 3 function bodies to start this exercise.

```
// 1
function doRemoteGhostResolution()
{
    commandToServer( 'sendControlObjectGhostData' );
}

// 2
function clientCmdReceiveControlObjectGhostData( %ghostIndex , %serverObjectID )
{
}

// 3
function FUNCTION_NAME?( %clientConn )
{
}
```

Steps:

1. You need to modify the name of the third function to appropriately match the function name as it will be called on the server in response to the `commandToServer()` call in the first function.
2. Once the third function is properly named, please add code in the body of this function to do the following:
 - Get calling client's control object ID.
 - Get ghost index for this control object ID.
 - Issue a client command that will call the second (provided) function:
`clientCmdReceiveControlObjectGhostData(%ghostIndex , %serverObjectID).`
3. Implement the body of the second (provided) function and have it do the following:
 - Convert the passed ghost index into a ghost object ID.
 - Print out the ghost index, ghost ID, and server object ID information for this client's control object (See output goals below for more help).

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Output Goal:

When you call the function `doRemoteGhostResolution()`, you should see something like this in the console:

```
serverCmdSendControlObjectGhostData(1574)
clientCmdReceiveControlObjectGhostData()
This client's control object ghost index is 1
    This client's control object ghost ID is 1624
    This client's control server object ID is 1623
```

Hints:

1. When you call the `getControlObject()` on a client connection object, it returns the server object ID of the control object.