CSC 207 Introduction to Software Design Fall 2015 – Project Phase I

Logistics

- Due date: 9:00pm Tuesday 03 November 2015 (note that it's a Tuesday this time!)
- Group size: Pair. Submitting this alone is not an option; if you do, you will receive a mark of 0.

Overview and Learning Goals

In Phase I of the project, you will review a client request for a software program and create an object-oriented design of a solution. By the end of this phase, you should have:

- practised performing analysis of software specifications,
- practised designing an object-oriented software system,
- used CRC cards as an aid to the object-oriented software design process,
- used a shared version control repository to support collaborative software development,
- experienced some of the joys (and frustrations) of working with others and consequently developed some strategies to facilitate productive team interaction.

The Client Request

A company has contacted you about building a program for them. Here is the description.

We need an Android application for booking airline tickets. The application should provide the functionality to store, retrieve, and update flight information, as well as information about our clients. A user should be able to create a trip itinerary ¹ by providing origin, destination, and travel dates information. The application should calculate and display itinerary costs and create new bookings. A user should be able to display the list of suggested itineraries by the itinerary cost and by total travel time.

Feature List

After consulting with your requirements engineering experts and after further communication with the client, you arrived at the following feature list:

- Clients can launch the flight booking application, which loads saved data, if it exists.
- Clients can search for possible itineraries by entering a departure date, and travel origin and destination. An itinerary should include, per flight: (1) flight number, (2) departure date and time, (3) arrival date and time, (4) airline, (5) origin, and (6) destination, plus an overall itinerary cost and travel time.
- Clients can display search results sorted by total travel time or by total cost.
- Clients can select an itinerary from the displayed list.
- Clients can book the selected itinerary.
- Clients can view booked itineraries.
- Clients can enter personal and billing information to be stored in the system.
- Clients can edit personal and billing information stored in the system.
- Administrators can view and edit all stored client information.
- Administrators can enter flight information into the system.
- Administrators can upload flight information into the system from a file.

¹An itinerary is a sequence of one or more flights. For example, to travel from Toronto to Paris, there may be one itinerary consisting of a single flight from Toronto to Paris and another itinerary consisting of a sequence of two flights, first one from Toronto to London and then one from London to Paris.

Your Tasks

Task 1 — CRC Model

With your partner, create a CRC Model for the problem described. Instead of handing in your index cards, create a pdf file named crc.pdf in your team's subversion repository in folder PI. This file should contain a collection of diagrams that define each of your CRC cards. See the sample diagrams in the file crc_template.pdf, linked from the Assignments and Project page of the course website. Please, make sure your diagrams are easy to read, the fonts are not too small, not too big, etc. Do not include anything else in this file.

Keep in mind that you are designing the **backend**, not GUI screens. None of the CRC cards should mention buttons, text fields, or other graphical components. In later phases of the project, you will implement both the backend and a GUI that will invoke the backend methods, but for now you are just designing the backend.

Task 2 — Walkthrough

In the file walkthrough.txt, submit a walkthrough for your CRC model for the scenario "search all itineraries from Toronto to Venice on May 3, 2016". You may want to look at a sample walkthrough file linked from the Assignments and Project page of the course website.

Task 3 — Data structures and Files used

Describe all data structures used by your classes. In addition, describe the format of the file(s) in which the application stores its data. (In a real application you would use a database to store the information, would connect to a server, etc. To keep the project within the scope of the course, we will store all information locally, in files.)

You may present your description in paragraphs or bullet points, as long as you use complete sentences. Imagine that the person reading the description is a colleague or manager who has technical knowledge but is not intimately familiar with your project. Your description should be no more than one page in length, using single spacing.

Submit your descriptions in a plain text file named data.txt.

Meeting with your TA

Between Monday 02 November and Friday 06 November, you will have a 15 minute long meeting with your TA. During this meeting, you will need to (a) present the submitted walkthrough, (b) present two walkthroughs of the TA's choice, (c) explain the choice of data structures and files used by the program. Both partners will be required to present equally, so be sure you are each familiar with your entire solution.

Your TA will contact you to schedule the meeting.

Marking

All of these items affect your grade:

- CRC Model
 - The modularity of the design, and the degree to which it is reusable and extensible.
 - The degree to which the design meets the requirements.
 - The use of OO concepts we study in class.
- Walkthrough
 - Correctness of your walkthrough. Will it accomplish the task?
 - The clarity of the presentation of your walkthrough.

- Files and data structures
 - Have you made reasonable choices from among the many possibilities?
 - The quality of the written description of data structures and files used by the system.
- Your performance during the meeting with the TA. Were your answers clear and correct? Did you demonstrate good understanding of your design, and of the choices you made to get there?

Checklist

Have you...

- committed your work to your team repository and not your individual repository?
- committed crc.pdf? Your file must not only be named .pdf, it must be readable by a pdf viewer.
- committed walkthrough.txt?
- committed data.txt?
- used svn list and svn status to verify that your changes were committed?