CS 249: Core Assignment Rules

Programming Assignments

- ALL code files should be in the package **edu.***yourname*.**assignXX**, where:
 - o yourname is replaced with your SITNet ID in lowercase letters
 - XX is replaced with the zero-padded assignment number (01, 02, etc.)
- Prompts and printouts match **EXACTLY** to the specification
 - o This includes capitalization, punctuation, spaces, and newlines!
- Your java files/class names/ method names MUST match the spelling/capitalization **EXACTLY!**
- ALL data in your class should be PRIVATE or at least PROTECTED!
- Unless otherwise stated, NONE of the class data in the assignments should be static! All class data is **INSTANCE** data!
- Except for replacing my SITNET ID with your own, **do NOT modify:**
 - The test programs
 - o Any complete programs I provide

Starting a New Assignment

For each new assignment, you must do the following procedures:

- Switch to the "main" branch
 - o "Git" → "Branches" → click on "main" → "Checkout"
- Fetch any changes from remotes
 - o "Git" → "Fetch"
- Pull changes from "upstream" remote repository (i.e., my repository)
 - o "Git" → "Pull" → select "upstream"
- Create a new branch for this assignment
 - o "Git" → "Branches" → "New Branch..."
 - Use name "assignXX", where XX is the zero-padded assignment number (01, 02, etc.)
 - Make sure "Checkout branch" is selected
- Publish your new branch
 - o "Git" → "Push"
- Under the appropriate subproject "assignXX":
 - Create package folders for main code
 - Right-click on assignXX/src/main/java folder → "New" → "Package"
 - Name should be: edu.yourname.assignXX
 - Create necessary Java files in this package folder
 - Right-click on package folder → "New" → "Java Class"

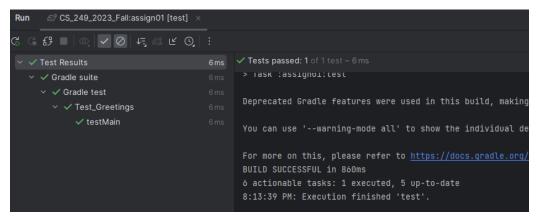
- Modify assignXX/src/main/java/module-info.java file
 - Replace all references to "realemj" with yourname
- Modify the test code in src/test/java
 - Change the "realemj" part of package folder to yourname
 - Right-click on package folder → "Refactor" → "Rename..."
 - This should also change the package line in the testing files themselves
 - Do NOT change:
 - import edu.realemj.testing.*;
 - import edu.realem.testing.GeneralTesting;
- In build.gradle, change value of mainClass variable to refer to yourname instead of "realemi"
- Reload all Gradle projects
- Right-click on the verification:test task for the new assignment in the Gradle menu
 - Select "Modify Run Configuration..."
 - Under "Modify Options", make sure "Run as test" is checked
 - Hit "Apply" and "OK"
- Complete assignment code and make commits to this new branch
 - o "Git" → "Commit"
 - Feel free to push commits up to the repository as well: "Git" → "Push"

Testing Screenshot

In addition to the code submission, you MUST submit a screenshot of the test results.

- You MUST run the test files and send a screenshot of the test results!
 - Even if your program(s) do not pass all the tests, you MUST send this screenshot!
- This screenshot should show clearly what tests have passed (or not).
- WARNING: If any code does not compile, tests will NOT run!
- Include the screenshot inside the subproject for the assignment!

Here is an example of an acceptable test screenshot:



UML Diagrams

- For the UML diagrams, use UMLet: https://www.umletino.com/
- You MUST submit the diagram as a .png image file!
 - o Do not ONLY submit a UMLet .uxf file (although if that is included, that's fine)
- Make sure your methods have the EXACT names and parameters as described!
- You must use the UML syntax defined in the slides!
- Unless otherwise stated, submit everything as ONE diagram.
- Unless a method is overridden, you do NOT need to repeat a parent's method in a child class' diagram.
- Include the UML diagram image inside the subproject for the assignment!

Completing and Submitting an Assignment

Once you have finished development on your branch, do the following:

- Commit any changes to your branch
 - o "Git" → "Commit"
- Checkout the "main" branch
 - o "Git" → "Branches" → click on "main" → "Checkout"
- Merge your branch into the "main" branch
 - "Git" → "Merge" → select your branch for the assignment
- Commit as necessary and push changes to remote repository
 - o "Git" → "Push"

Be sure to do these steps BEFORE the assignment deadline!

Grading

Apart from the specific grading breakdown, I reserve the right to take points off for not meeting the specifications in the assignment description.

Every assignment will have a different grading breakdown. Do NOT assume it is always the same!

For the PROGRAMMING part, these penalties will be in place unless otherwise specified:

Issue	Penalty (in %)
Code that does not compile	60
Using static class data where instance data is required	20
Non-private/non-protected class data	10
Printout/prompt format incorrect (including spaces and capitalization)	5
Files not in correct package	5
Submission code not merged with main branch (but exists in repository)	5
New branch not created or not used for assignment code development	5
Code files/classes/methods named incorrectly	10
Other stuff submitted (class files, etc.) BUT NO CODE SUBMITTED	100
Nothing submitted at all	100

In general, these are things that will be penalized:

- Code that does not compile
- Poor abstraction and/or encapsulation
- Sloppy or poor coding style
- Bad coding design principles
- Code that crashes, does not run, or takes a VERY long time to complete
- Using code from ANY source other than the course materials
- Collaboration on code of ANY kind; this is an INDIVIDUAL PROJECT
- Sharing code with other people in this class or using code from this or any other related class
- Output that is incorrect
- Algorithms/implementations that are incorrect
- Submitting improper files
- Failing to submit ALL required files