

Criterion C: Development

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1. Data structures

1.1. Arrays

Arrays of Ingredient and Exercise Class are created to store data loaded from the data files. They are used in the main class. The data from arrays is later passed to lists.

```
Ingredient[] ing=null ;  
Exercise[] exc=null ;
```

1.2. Lists

Lists are the data structure widely used across this programme due to easy manipulation of objects inside of them. They are incorporated into the graphical object JList, from which they can be easily accessed and manipulated by the user.

```
private javax.swing.JList<Object> list, tempList;
```

2. Techniques

2.1. Encapsulation

Object of classes :

- a) ChooseFrame , Frame, SaveLoadFrame, ViewFrame
- b) Day, Week, Meal and Exercise Plan
- c) Exercise and Exercise Plan
- d) Ingredient and Meal

were created so that data and methods connected to these classes could operate together.

2.2. Polymorphism, use of tags and switch case

Classes and methods were created so that different data types could be handled under a single interface. In this programme the user can create Exercise Plan as well as Meal from a single ChooseFrame, and save and load data from the same frame. To differentiate between those options constants were used and to compare between them case-switch selection was used. (see 3.2.2)

2.3. Inheritance

ChooseFrame, Frame, SaveLoadFrame and ViewFrame base upon and inherit from JFrame so that they retain similar implementations.

```
public class ChooseFrame extends javax.swing.JFrame {
```

2.4. Serialisation

Instances of objects of Meal, ExercisePlan, Day and Week class are serialised into bytes, allowing them to be stored in a file while keeping their original state.

2.5. File input and output

The data concerning ingredients and exercises is read from text file databases each time the programme starts. The user can save or load previously generated objects into files using appropriate buttons, so that they can be used after closing and reopening of the programme. The user can save a shopping list into a text file.

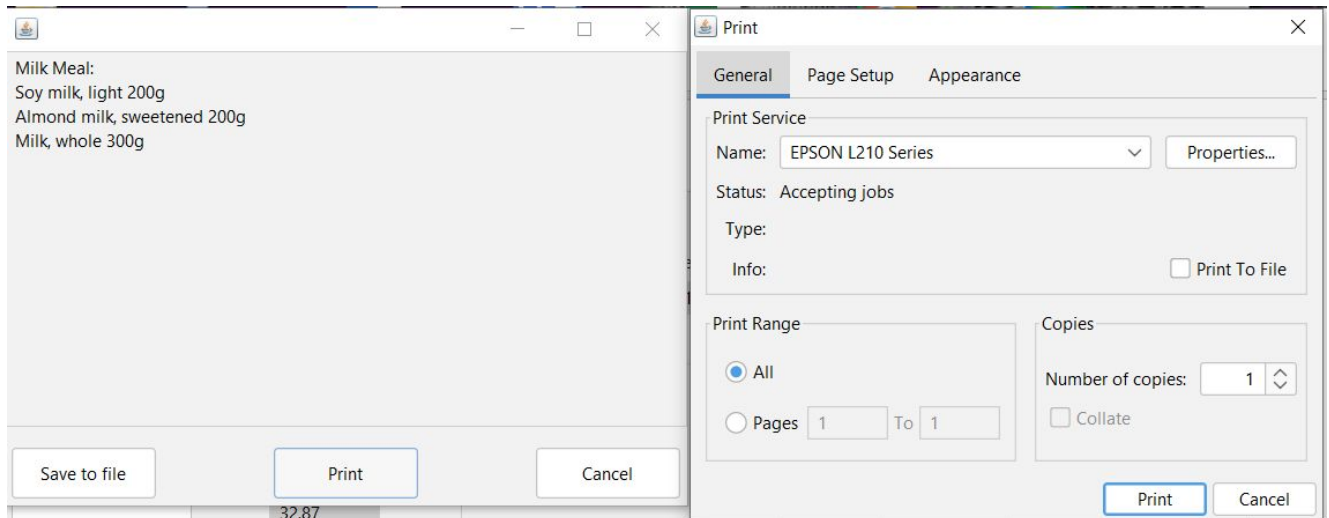
2.6. Parsing a text file

Data concerning ingredients and exercises stored in a text file is properly parsed and turned into objects that are later used to create meals and exercise plans by the user.

2.7. Printing directly from the programme

The user is able to print shopping lists directly using the programme interface, provided their printer is connected to the device on which the programme is run.

Example:



2.8. Use of specialised libraries

JFreeChart library was used to graphically display predicted effects of the diet and FlatLaf library was used to improve the look of the graphic interface.

Example: Chart generated in the programme using the library and FlatLaf look of the UI.



2.9 Error handling

Potential exceptions are caught, the user is informed about the error and can continue working with the programme.

Example

3. Working of the methods used

Annotated parts of the most important methods can be found below.

3.1 Initialising data

The code for initialising Ingredients, Exercises and user data is very similar. Only methods for initialising exercises will be shown here as an example. The method for initialising Ingredients differs and user data (Person) differs only in names and number of fields in the object initialised object or array of objects.

```

public static Exercise[] initialiseExercises() {
    StringTokenizer st = null; //string tokenizer initialisation
    BufferedReader br = null; //buffered reader initialisation
    String line;
    Exercise[] exc = null; // an array of exercise class objects is initialised
    int i=0;
    try {
        br = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(new File("../Internal\\resources\\exercises\\dataExercises.txt"))); // feed buffered reader the text file with data
    } catch (FileNotFoundException fnfe) { //exception is caught if there is no data file
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null,fnfe.getMessage());
    }
    try {
        if((line=br.readLine())!=null){ //assigns variable "line" first line from buffered reader at the same time checking if the file is not empty
            JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null,"Data File is empty!"); // if the data file is empty the user is notified
            System.exit(1); // termination with positive error code
        }
        else {
            int size = Integer.parseInt(line); // datafile is structured such that the first line is the number of objects stored in the file
            exc = new Exercise[size]; // An array is given appropriate size
        }
    }

    while((line=br.readLine())!=null) { // iterate over each line in the file fetching the data from buffered reader to the variable "line"
        st= new StringTokenizer(line, " "); //split lines according to established format
        st.nextToken(); // first token is an index so get next token
        exc[i]=new Exercise(); // create new object in array
        exc[i].setEnergy(Float.parseFloat(st.nextToken())); // set the appropriate value for the field of the object
        String name="";
        while(st.hasMoreTokens()){ // get the name of the object
            name+=st.nextToken()+" ";
        }
        exc[i].setName(name); // set the name of the object
        i++; // increment the index of the array
    }
    catch (NullPointerException | IOException npe) { //exception is caught if buffered reader points to null
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, npe.getMessage());
    }
    return Arrays.copyOf(exc, i); // return the array with data
}

```

Each file has its defined format, in which index, name and other appropriate fields are included. The first line in the file states the number of lines below this line so the number of objects. The file is iterated over, splitting the lines into tokens, fetching the values for different fields, from which new instances of objects are created. . For example the line : "01018 3.5 bicycling bicycling, leisure, 5.5 mph" creates an instance of Exercise class with *energy*: 3.5 and *name*:*bicycling bicycling, leisure, 5.5 mph*.

3.2 Creating Meal and Exercise Plan

Due to the technique of polymorphism and tags the frame used for creating meals and exercise plans is the same class

3.2.1 Searching algorithm in a list of objects

The algorithm finds all matching objects in terms of name, cuts from the list non all matching ones and then updates the list

```

private void searchBarKeyPressed(java.awt.event.KeyEvent evt) {
    if(searchBar.getText().contains("Search")){ // eliminate the search text on the bar, so that the user does not have to
        searchBar.setText("");
    }

    if(searched){ // If there was a previous search, get all ingredients back into the search list
        ((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).clear();
        for (Object olist1 : olist) {
            ((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).addElement(olist1);
        }
    }
    searchList.updateUI(); // update UI
    searched=false; // signal no search was performed on the last key event
}

if(evt.getExtendedKeyCode()==10){ // if user press "Enter" key starts search
    int c=0; // counter that counts the number of found elements and also the last position in list where the matching element is
    Object temp;
    for(int i=c; i< (this.searchList.getModel()).getSize(); i++){
        if(((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).elementAt(i).toString().toLowerCase().startsWith(searchBar.getText().toLowerCase())){ // if element matches
            temp= ((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).elementAt(c);
            ((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).set(c,((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).getElementAt(i));
            ((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).set(i,temp); // those three lines swap the matching element with the a one non matching with the least index.
            // This results in the matching elements grouping from index 0 to c
            c++;
        }
    }
    System.out.println(c);
    ((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).removeRange(c, (this.searchList.getModel()).getSize()-1 ); // cut the list to matching elements only
    searched=true; // Singal that search has been performed
    searchList.updateUI(); //Update UI
    searchList.ensureIndexIsVisible(0); // Bring the user to the top of the list
}
}

```

3.2.2 Adding Ingredient/Exercise to a list

This piece of code allows the user to add ingredients/exercises to a list from which a meal/exercise plan will be created.

```

private void addPartButtonActionPerformed(java.awt.event.ActionEvent evt) {
    short q=0;
    switch (tag){ // checks whether the programme operates on exercises or ingredients
        case Tags.MEAL:
            try{
                q=Short.parseShort(JOptionPane.showInputDialog("Input quantity of the ingirdient in grams")); // displays input window
            } catch (java.lang.NumberFormatException e){ // handles erroneous input
                JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(this, "Input a proper number", null, JOptionPane.ERROR_MESSAGE);
                return;
            }
            Ingredient ing= new Ingredient(((Ingredient) (((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).getElementAt(searchList.getSelectedIndex())))); // creates new ingredient using list
            ing.setQuantity(q); // sets inputed quantity
            ((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).addElement(ing); // adds ingredient to the list from which meal will be created
            return;
        case Tags.EXERCISES:
            try{
                q=Short.parseShort(JOptionPane.showInputDialog("Input the duration of the exercise")); // displays input window
            } catch (java.lang.NumberFormatException e){ // handles erroneous input
                JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(this, "Input a proper number", null, JOptionPane.ERROR_MESSAGE);
                return;
            }
            Exercise exc = new Exercise(((Exercise) (((DefaultListModel) this.searchList.getModel()).getElementAt(searchList.getSelectedIndex())))); // creates new exercise using list
            exc.setTime(q); //sets inputed time
            ((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).addElement(exc); //adds to the list from which exercise plan will be created
    }
}

```

3.2.3 Creating Meal/Exercise plan from a list

This piece of code allows the user to create a meal/exercise plan from a chosen list of ingredients/exercises. It adds it to the list in the main frame and day object.

```
private void addActionPerformed(java.awt.event.ActionEvent evt) {
    if(((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).size()==0){ // checks if list is empty
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(this,"Select something"); // informs user
        return;
    }
    switch (tag){ // checks whether the programme operates on ingredients or exercises
        case Tags.MEAL:
            Ingredient[] ming= new Ingredient[((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).size()]; // fetch size of the list
            for(int i=0; i<ming.length; i++){ // put elements of the list into array
                ming[i]= (Ingredient) ((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).getElementAt(i);
            }
            meal= new Meal(ming); // create new meal using the array
            meal.setName(JOptionPane.showInputDialog("Name your meal")); // user names the meal
            ((DefaultListModel<Object>)list.getModel()).addElement(meal); // add meal to the list of meals in the main frame
            day.addMeal(meal); // add meal to the day object
            frame.updateFields(); // update numerical fields in the main frame

            ((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).clear(); // clear the list of chosen ingredients
            return;
        case Tags.EXERCISES:
            Exercise[] exc=new Exercise[((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).size()]; // fetch size of the list
            for(int i=0; i<exc.length; i++){ // put elements of the list into array
                exc[i]= (Exercise) ((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).getElementAt(i);
            }
            ExercisePlan excPlan=new ExercisePlan(exc,user); // create new exercise plan using the array and user data
            excPlan.setName(JOptionPane.showInputDialog("Name your exercise plan")); // user names exercise plan
            ((DefaultListModel<Object>)list.getModel()).addElement(excPlan); // add the plan to the list in main frame
            day.addExercisePlan(excPlan); // add the plan to the day object
            frame.updateFields(); // update numerical fields in the main frame
            ((DefaultListModel) this.outputList.getModel()).clear(); // clear the list of chosen exercises
        }
        frame.updateTips(); // update tips in main frame
    }
}
```

3.3 Creating the predicted effects of a diet

This piece of code creates a chart, on which predicted effects of the diet with different calorie balances are displayed.

```
clearButtonActionPerformed(null); //clear previous analysis
int avg=0;
for(int i=0; i<period.getDays().length; i++){ // update exercise data with current user data
    for(int j=0; j<period.getDays()[i].getExercises().length; j++){
        period.getDays()[i].getExercises()[j].updateUser(user);
    }
}
period.getDays()[i].recalculate(); // recalculate energy balance to account for change in user data
avg+=user.getBMR()-period.getDays()[i].getEnergyBalance(); // sum energy deficits
}

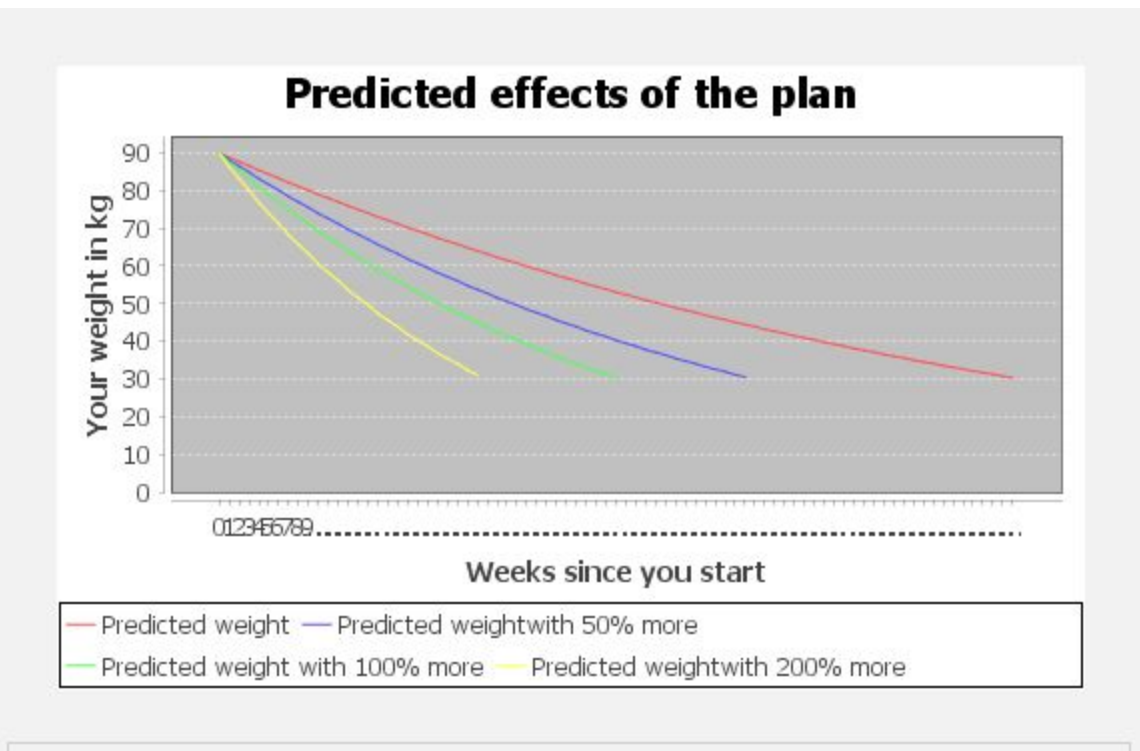
avg=avg/period.getDays().length; //calculate average energy deficit
reportArea.append("Your average calorie deficit is "+avg+"\n"); // display the deficit
DefaultCategoryDataset data= new DefaultCategoryDataset(); // create dataset
data.addValue(user.getWeight(),"Predicted weight",""+0); // add base value
double prevVal=user.getWeight(); // get previous weight value
if(!(predictEffects(0,1.0,data,"Predicted weight"))){ // check if predicted effects function runs successfully, if not, inform the user
    reportArea.setText("");
    JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(this, "You will not achieve your target weight- the diet is not compatible with your goal");
    return;
}
predictEffects(0,1.5,data,"Predicted weight with 50% more");
predictEffects(0,2.0,data,"Predicted weight with 100% more");
predictEffects(0,3.0,data,"Predicted weight with 200% more"); //above three predict with different values of potential energy deficit
user.recalculateBMR(); //recalculate user BMR
```


The algorithm takes all imputed days of the diet, and loops them until the goal is reached. This allows for flexible plans- any number of days period. If the diet does not work, the user is informed. Otherwise the algorithm calculates future weight using calorie balance and the user's BMR.

```
public boolean predictEffects(int shift, double multiplier, DefaultCategoryDataset data, String title){
    double nextVal=user.getWeight(); //get user weight
    double difference=Math.abs(user.getWeight()-user.getTarget()); // get the difference between weight and target weight
    double nextPrevVal=nextVal-(user.getBMR()-period.getDays()[0%period.getDays().length].getEnergyBalance())*multiplier*0.0001285714; // get weight after a day of diet
    if(Math.abs(nextPrevVal-user.getTarget())>difference){ // if the difference is greater, it means the diet does the opposite what is supposed to, hence prediction is terminated
        return false; //signal bad diet
    }

    int i=0; //count days
    int c=0; //count weeks
    if(nextVal==user.getTarget()){ // this statement is NOT redundant. It ensures that the programme goes through only one of the loops, eliminating bugs
        while(nextVal==user.getTarget()){ // loop until the target weight is achieved
            user.calculateBMR((float) nextVal,user.getHeight(),user.getAge(),user.isGender()); // recalculate BMR after weight loss to account for further weight loss
            nextVal=nextVal-(user.getBMR()-period.getDays()[i%period.getDays().length].getEnergyBalance())*multiplier*0.0001285714; // get weight in next day
            i++;
            if(i%7==0 && i!=0){ // if a week ends
                c++;
                data.setValue(nextVal,title,"+c"); // set weekly value
                user.calculateBMR((float) nextVal,user.getHeight(),user.getAge(),user.isGender()); // recalculate BMR, just to be sure
            }
        }
    }
    else{
        while(nextVal<user.getTarget()){
            user.calculateBMR((float) nextVal,user.getHeight(),user.getAge(),user.isGender()); //recalculate BMR
            nextVal=nextVal-(user.getBMR()-period.getDays()[i%period.getDays().length].getEnergyBalance())*multiplier*0.0001285714; // get weight in next day
            i++;
            if(i%7==0 && i!=0){ // if a week ends
                c++;
                data.setValue(nextVal,title,"+c");// set weekly value
                user.calculateBMR((float) nextVal,user.getHeight(),user.getAge(),user.isGender()); //recalculate BMR, just to be sure
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Taking into account BMR makes those predictions much more accurate than standard ones. This can be seen by the shape of the curves which depict longer plans , which otherwise would be simple straight lines, and that would not not represent the process of weight change accurately.



3.4 Giving tips to daily plans

To advise the user on their diet, the tips were introduced. This function checks whether the nutritional value of a one day plan is within given boundaries, which are 10% from theoretically best nutritional values.

```
public void updateTips() {
    tipsArea.setText(""); // reset tips
    float lb=(float) 0.9; // declare lower boundary
    float ub=(float) 1.1; // declare upper boundary
    if(day.getEnergy()<1200){ //check whether there is enough calories
        tipsArea.setText("Eat more calories!"+"\n");
    }
    else{ // all conditions under here check whether the nutritional value is within given boundaries
        if((float) (day.getCarbohydrates()/day.getEnergy())<(((float) 300/(float) 2000)*(lb-(float) 0.4))){
            tipsArea.append("Get more carbohydrates"+"\\n");
        }else{
            if((float) (day.getCarbohydrates()/day.getEnergy())>(((float) 300/(float) 2000)*(ub))){
                tipsArea.append("Remove some carbohydrates"+"\\n");
            }
        }
        if((float) (day.getFat()/day.getEnergy())<(((float) 67/(float) 2000)*lb)){
            tipsArea.append("Get more fats"+"\\n");
        }else{
            if((float) (day.getFat()/day.getEnergy())>(((float) 300/(float) 2000)*(ub))){
                tipsArea.append("Remove some fats"+"\\n");
            }
        }
        if((float) (day.getSugars()/day.getEnergy())<(((float) 50/(float) 2000)*lb)){
            tipsArea.append("Get more sugars"+"\\n");
        }else{
            if((float) (day.getSugars()/day.getEnergy())>(((float) 300/(float) 2000)*(ub))){
                tipsArea.append("Remove some sugars"+"\\n");
            }
        }
        if((float) (day.getProtein()/day.getEnergy())<(((float) 150/(float) 2000)*lb)){
            tipsArea.append("Get more protein"+"\\n");
        }else{
            if((float) (day.getProtein()/day.getEnergy())>(((float) 300/(float) 2000)*(ub+(float) 0.2))){
                tipsArea.append("Remove some protein"+"\\n");
            }
        }
        if(user.getBMR()>=day.getEnergyBalance()){
            tipsArea.append("You will lose some weight");
        } else{
            tipsArea.append("You will gain some weight");
        }
    }
}
```


3.5 Generating shopping lists

This algorithm saves an object (in this case Meal class) to a file with a suggested directory.

```
public void savePeriodList() { //
    JFileChooser jf= new JFileChooser("../Internal\\resources\\shopping\\"); // choose file or create new one
    jf.setMultiSelectionEnabled(false); //disable multi selection
    jf.showSaveDialog(this); //show save window
    File file = jf.getSelectedFile(); // get file
    try{
        FileWriter writer = new FileWriter(jf.getSelectedFile().getAbsolutePath()+".txt", true); // create writer
        for (Day dayl : period.getDays()) { //iterate over all days
            for (Meal meal : dayl.getMeals()) { // iterate over all meals in a day
                writer.write(" " + meal.getName()); // write name of the meal
                writer.write("\r\n"); // write new line
                for (Ingridient ingridient : meal.getIngridients()) { // iterate over all ingredients in a meal
                    writer.write(" " + ingridient.toString()); // write the name of the ingredient
                    writer.write("\r\n"); // write new line
                }
                writer.write("\r\n"); // write new line
            }
        }
        writer.close(); // close writer
    } catch (IOException e) { // handle exception
        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(this, e.getMessage());
    }
}
```

3.6 Loading and saving an object from file

This piece of code handles a button in a frame that loads and saves instances of Day class. This frame is opened from the main frame.

```
private void dayButtonActionPerformed(java.awt.event.ActionEvent evt) {
    if(tag.equals(Tags.SAVE)){ //check tag
        if(inputFrame.day.getMeals().length+inputFrame.day.getExercices().length>0){ //check if day is not empty
            inputFrame.saveDay(); // call save function
        }else{
            JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(this, "Your day is empty"); // inform the user their day is empty
        }
    }
    if(tag.equals(Tags.LOAD)){ // check tag
        inputFrame.loadDay(); // call function that loads the object
        inputFrame.updateMealList(); // call function that updates meal list in main frame
        inputFrame.updateExercisePlanList(); // call function that updates exercise plan list in main frame
    }
    this.update(); // call functions that updates tips, fields and UI in main frame through a function in this frame
    this.dispose(); // close this frame
}
```

3.6.1 saveDay function

```
public void saveDay(){
    JFileChooser jf= new JFileChooser("../Internal\\resources\\days\\"); // create and set file chooser directory
    jf.setVisible(true);
    jf.setMultiSelectionEnabled(false); // disable multiselection
    jf.showSaveDialog(this); // show window

    try {
        ObjectOutputStream os = new ObjectOutputStream(
            new BufferedOutputStream(new FileOutputStream(jf.getSelectedFile().getAbsolutePath()))); // establish output stream
        os.writeObject(day); // write object to file
        os.close(); // close output stream
    } catch (IOException e) { // catch exception
        System.out.println(e.toString());
    }
}
```

3.6.2 loadDay function

```
public void loadDay() {
    JFileChooser jf= new JFileChooser("../Internal\\resources\\days\\"); // create and set files chooser directory
    jf.setVisible(true);
    jf.setMultiSelectionEnabled(false); // disable multi selection
    jf.showOpenDialog(this); // show window

    ObjectInputStream is=null; // declare input stream
    try {
        FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(jf.getSelectedFile().getAbsolutePath()); // declare file input stream using selected path
        is = new ObjectInputStream( new BufferedInputStream(fis) ); // create object input stream
        ((DefaultListModel)exercicseList.getModel()).clear(); // clear exercise list in main frame
        ((DefaultListModel)mealList.getModel()).clear(); // clear meal list in main frame
        day=(Day)is.readObject(); // read day object from file
        if(day.getExercices().length!=0){ // check whether there are any exercices
            if(!user.equals(day.getExercices()[0].getUser())){ // check if the user data is different
                for (ExercisePlan exercise : day.getExercices()) { // iterate over all exercices
                    exercise.updateUser(user); // update the user of the exercise
                }
            }
        }
        is.close(); // close input stream
    } // below catches any exceptions
    catch (NullPointerException e) {
        System.out.println("NullPointerException: "+e.getMessage());
    }
    catch (ClassNotFoundException e) {
        System.out.println("ClassNotFoundException: "+e.getMessage());
    }
    catch (FileNotFoundException e) {
        System.out.println("FileNotFoundException: "+e.getMessage());
    }
    catch (EOFException e) {
        System.out.println("EOFException: "+e.getMessage());
    }
    catch (IOException ex) {
        Logger.getLogger(Frame.class.getName()).log(Level.SEVERE, null, ex);
    }
}
```

3.6.3 updateMealList function and updateExercisePlanList function

```
public void updateMealList(){
    for (Meal meal : day.getMeals()) { // Add each meal from day to the list
        ((DefaultListModel<Object>)mealList.getModel()).addElement(meal);
    }
}

public void updateExercisePlanList(){
    for (ExercisePlan exercise : day.getExercices()) { //Add each exercise plan from day to the list
        ((DefaultListModel<Object>)exercicseList.getModel()).addElement(exercise);
    }
}
```

3.6.4 update function

This function call three function inside the main frame

```
public void update() {
    inputFrame.updateFields();
    inputFrame.updateTips();
    inputPanel.updateUI();
}
```

updateFields

```
public void updateFields() {
    this.energyField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getEnergy()));
    this.carbohydratesField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getCarbohydrates()));
    this.fatField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getFat()));
    this.sugarsField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getSugars()));
    this.proteinField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getProtein()));
    this.balanceField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getEnergyBalance()));
    this.timeField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getTimeSpent()));
    this.energyBurntField.setText(String.valueOf(day.getCaloriesBurnt()));
    this.calorieDeficitField.setText(String.valueOf(user.getBMR() - day.getEnergyBalance()));
}
```

Aforementioned updateTips (3.4) and generic updateUI.

3.7 Initializing FlatLaf

```
try {
    UIManager.setLookAndFeel( new com.formdev.flatlaf.FlatLightLaf() );
} catch( UnsupportedLookAndFeelException ex ) {
    System.err.println( "Failed to initialize LaF" );
}
```

4. Transforming the xlsx file into text file using R to obtain data for ingredients.

```
library(readxl)
X2015_2016_FNDDS_At_A_Glance_FNDDS_Nutrient_Values <- read_excel("2015-2016 FNDDS At A Glance - FNDDS Nutrient Values.xlsx") ## read from excel file to table
View(X2015_2016_FNDDS_At_A_Glance_FNDDS_Nutrient_Values) ## view file
x<-X2015_2016_FNDDS_At_A_Glance_FNDDS_Nutrient_Values
signif(x[,2:6],3) ## approximate values to 3 significant figures
write.table(x, sep = "@", "C:\\Users\\micha\\Documents\\NetBeansProjects\\Internal\\src\\ingredients\\dataIngredients.txt", quote = FALSE) ## write table to text file
```