

Project Planning and Design:

- Analyze the problem and break it down into smaller, manageable parts.
- Define the classes and their relationships (Inheritance, Composition, etc.).
- Plan out the data structures and algorithms needed to implement the simulation.

Development Steps:

1. Create the Grid:

- Develop a 20x20 grid that can hold critters (ants and doodlebugs).
- Implement checks to ensure critters don't move off the grid.

2. Define the Organism Class:

- Create a base class `Organism` with common data and functions like `move()`.
- The `move()` function should be virtual and overridden by derived classes.

3. Create Ant and Doodlebug Classes:

- Derive `Ant` and `Doodlebug` classes from the `Organism` class.
- Implement the specific behaviors for each critter as described in your assignment.

4. Initialize the World:

- Place 5 doodlebugs and 100 ants randomly within the grid.

5. Implement Simulation Logic:

- Code the logic for each time step, including moving, breeding, and starving.
- Ensure that doodlebugs move before ants in each turn.

6. Drawing the World:

- Represent ants as "o", doodlebugs as "X", and empty spaces as "-".
- Draw the ASCII grid in the console after each time step.

7. User Interaction:

- After each time step, prompt the user to press Enter to proceed to the next time step.

8. Testing and Debugging:

- Test the program to make sure all rules are correctly implemented.
- Debug any issues that arise during testing.

9. Optimization:

- Review the code for efficiency and performance optimization.
- Clean up and refactor the code if necessary.

10. Documentation:

- Comment your code to explain the logic and flow.

- Provide instructions on how to compile and run the simulation.

Absolute Requirements:

- The world must be a 20x20 grid.
- Only one critter per cell is allowed.
- Implement the exact behaviors for moving, breeding, and starving for both ants and doodlebugs.
- Doodlebugs move before ants in each turn.
- The grid should be drawn using ASCII characters with the specified representations for ants, doodlebugs, and empty spaces.
- The user should prompt the simulation to move to the next time step.
- Submit a single `.cpp` file that includes all classes and is executable.
- No separate `.h` files are allowed; everything must be in one `.cpp` file.