Software Engineering

Refactoring

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1 Practical

- Deadline: Sunday, December 10, 2023, 22u00
- Project files can be found on Blackboard (e_commerce_refactoring.zip)

2 Context

Refactoring is a crucial step in order to keep the code base clean, easily maintainable and adaptable. In this project we will take a look at 4 possible refactoring techniques: Extract Method, Move Behaviour Close to the Data, Eliminate Navigation Code and Transform Self Type Check.

3 Assignment

- 1. Read the following articles about the 4 different techniques we will consider (beware: most techniques have different names by different authors):
 - Extract Method https://refactoring.guru/extract-method
 - Move Behaviour Close to the Data https://refactoring.guru/move-method
 - Encapsulate Field https://refactoring.guru/encapsulate-field
 - Transform Self Type Check https://refactoring.guru/replace-conditional-with-polymorphism

- 2. Explain the 4 different techniques using the following questions:
 - What do they do, what is the goal of applying the technique?
 - When do we use them, what are the symptoms in the code?
 - What are the benefits of applying this technique?
 - How do you apply the technique?

At the evaluation you will be asked to explain these four techniques.

- 3. An updated version of the source code is available on Blackboard (e_commerce_refactoring.zip). Analyze the new Payment package. Use every refactoring technique you just learned at least once to improve the quality of the code. Make a detailed list of the refactorings you apply and explain why they improve the quality of the code.
- 4. Search the rest of the code base for code that you can refactor, maintain a detailed list of all applied techniques and add it to your report. Find at least one extra refactoring.