A transport simulation in Java

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I. Project Goal

T he goal of my project is to make some sort of a transport simulation, where the player builds a network of transport routes that connect sources of passengers or freight. They will have to take various factors into account when designing this network. These could, for example, be scarcity of resources in a region, commuters preferring other means of transport or even terrain.

I.i User Interface

The first version of the game will have no graphical user interface. (The crowd gasps!) Focus will be on developing the logic of the game world, its population and their demands, the freight market, the world's economy and how it all plays together. Only after that, an interface inspired by that of Dwarf Fortress¹ will be implemented using the foundations that have been laid in the previous phase.

II. Risks

T HE biggest risk in this project is that my ambitions could exceed the time and caffeine available. Therefore, it is important to get a very basic version running somewhat early and then building on that in modular pieces. Otherwise, I might end up with a lot of promising, but loose threads.

III. Project Schedule

| Week | Day | Progress |
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| 44 | Tuesday | Project description (this document) |
| 45 45 | Tuesday Friday | First playable version |
| 48 | Tuesday | More game content |
| 48 | Friday | Work on GUI can start |
| 51 | Tuesday | GUI: Menus and such |
| 51 | Friday | Rendering of game world |
| 02 | Tuesday | Building/Doing stuff in GUI |
| 02 | Friday | Done! |

 $^{^{1} \}verb|http://www.bay12games.com/dwarves/|$