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# Distributed Health Care Management System (DHMS) using JAVA IDL Assignment – 3

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#### **OVERVIEW**

One of the most important needs in the healthcare industry that the Distributed Health Care Management System (DHMS) helps with is the coordination of medical staff from different hospitals that are part of the Medicare system.

The main goal of DHMS is to develop a platform that simplifies the administration of medical professionals' availability and gives administrators a user-friendly interface for scheduling appointments. Patients also gain from a smooth experience that makes it simple for them to make appointments across multiple cities and specializations.

DHMS operates across three distinct hospitals situated in Montreal (MTL), Quebec (QUE), and Sherbrooke (SHE). The system caters to two primary stakeholders:

- 1. Admins: Each hospital is equipped with an administrator responsible for overseeing appointment management tasks such as opening or closing appointment slots.
- 2. Patients: Patients have the flexibility to book or cancel appointments across any hospital within the network.

DHMS uses cutting-edge technologies, most notably Java Webservices, to guarantee efficient and safe client-server communication. This technology adds to the efficacy of the system by enabling real-time updates and improving appointment management overall.

Essentially, DHMS meets a crucial need in the healthcare industry by enhancing accessibility to healthcare services and streamlining the coordination of medical professionals.

#### SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

The DHMS operates across three distinct hospital servers:

- Montreal (MTL)
- Quebec (QUE)
- Sherbrooke (SHE)

There is only one Admin user per hospital that is in charge of the scheduling of appointments. The hospital's area code (MTL, QUE, or SHE), the admin user type (A), and a four-digit number (e.g., MTLA1234) are combined to create the admin users' user IDs, which allow them to be uniquely identified.

Patients within the DHMS are identified by their eight-digit user IDs, which consist of the hospital's area code, the user type (P for Patient), and a four-digit number unique to each patient (e.g., QUEP1234).

Appointment scheduling within the DHMS offers three distinct types of appointments: Physician, Surgeon, and Dental. Patients have the flexibility to book appointments in three different time slots: Morning (M), Afternoon (A), and Evening (E).

The 10-digit code format used to create appointment IDs consists of the three-digit area code of the hospital, one-digit code designating the time slot (M, A, or E), and six-digits representing the appointment date in the pattern DDMMYY. For example, the appointment ID MTLM100224 might be associated with a scheduled morning appointment at the Montreal hospital on February 10, 2024.

The DHMS enforces specific limitations in order to preserve system integrity and maximize appointment scheduling. Patients are only able to schedule up to three appointments in other regions in a single week, but they are free to schedule as many appointments as they like inside their own zone. This restriction avoids overbooking and maximizes resource allocation while guaranteeing equitable access to appointments for all hospitals connected to the DHMS network.

#### **FUNCTIONALITY**

#### • Admin-Specific Functions:

- 1. addAppointment():
- Allows admins to add appointment slots for a particular hospital, date, and time slot.
- Admins can only add appointment slots to their respective hospitals.
- 2. removeAppointment():
- Enables admins to remove appointment slots for a specific day.
- If a patient has booked an appointment for the slot being removed, the system automatically transfers their appointment to the next available slot.
- 3. listAppointmentAvailability():
- Provides admins with a list of all appointment slots, along with their capacity and remaining slot size.
- Implemented using UDP/IP server-server communication for efficient data exchange between servers.

#### • Patient-Specific Functions:

- 1. bookAppointment():
- Allows patients to book appointments in any hospital where slots are available.
- Patients can book any number of appointments in their own city, but are limited to a maximum of three appointments in other cities within a week.
- Patients cannot book more than one appointment of the same type in a single day.
- 2. getAppointmentSchedule():
- Enables patients to view all appointments booked by them.
- 3. cancelAppointment():
- Allows patients to cancel appointments they have previously booked.
- 4. SwapAppointment():
- Patients can swap a booked appointment with another appointment. But first it will check these two conditions:
- 1) The old appointment is booked, 2) New appointment slot is available. If this both conditions are satisfied, add and cancel operation will be performed.

Note: Admins have access to client operations, but patients do not have access to admin operations.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

• Client-Server Communication is done by SOAP based JAVA Webservices:

o Montreal service address:

http://localhost:8080/montreal?wsdl o Quebec service address: http://localhost:8080/quebec?wsdl o Shaerbrooke service address: http://localhost:8080/sherbrooke?wsdl o @WebService(endpointInterface = "com.web.service.WebInterface")

Server-Server Communication:

- Implemented using UDP/IP socket programming.

- UDP ports:

o Montreal: 6666 o Quebec: 7777

o Sherbrooke: 8888

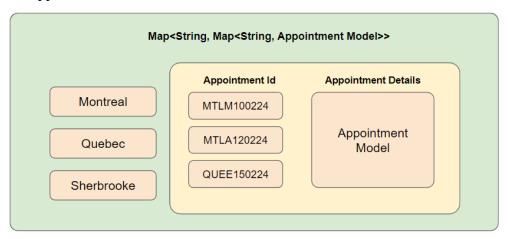
#### • Concurrency:

- Each server runs in a separate thread to ensure concurrency and efficient handling of multiple requests.
- Added a concurrency test to check whether system is thread-safe or not?
- Code Organization:
- Implemented a single interface file to reduce code redundancy across servers.
- Utilized a helper.java file to list commonly used methods and properties, reducing code duplication.
- Logging:
- Each server maintains a separate log file to track all user operations, ensuring accountability and traceability.
- Challenges:
- Handling the transfer of patient appointments to the next available slot when an admin invokes the 'removeAppointment()' method.
- Ensuring the rollback operation when 'swapAppointment()' operation fails.
- Key Considerations:
- The implementation focused on robust server-server communication to facilitate accurate appointment management across hospitals.
- Addressing concurrency issues and minimizing code redundancy were integral aspects of the implementation process.

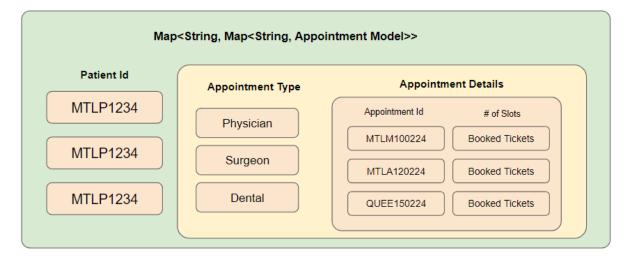
### **DATA STRUCTURE**

All the data is stored in the form of concurrent HashMap.

1. All Appointments:



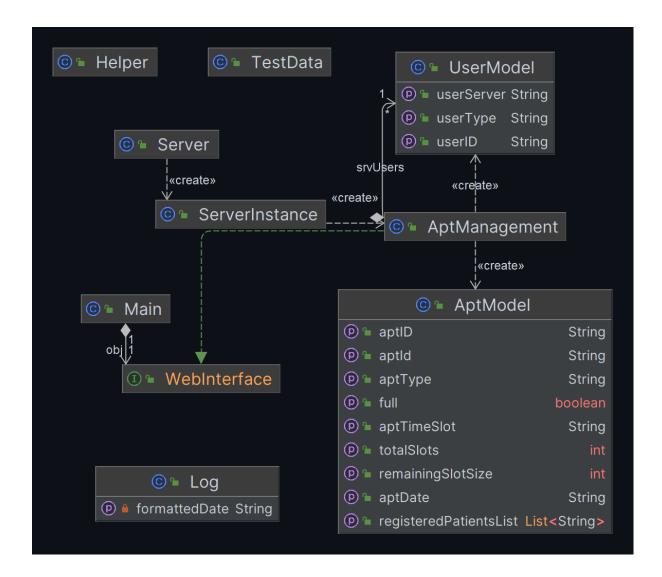
2. User Appointments:



## **IDL INTERFACE DEFINITION**

#### **UML DIAGRAM**





## TEST SCENARIOS

#	Type of Test	Scenario	Cases
1	Log In	Username	AdminID
			PatientID
2	Admin	addAppointment()	1.Invalid
	operation		appointmentID =>
			appointment not added
			2.valid appointmentID
			=> appointment created
			3.duplicate appointID =>
			appointment exist message
			4.otehr server
			appointmentID =>
			appointment not created
3		removeAppointment()	1.Invalid appointmentID
			=> appointment not
			removed 2.valid
			appointmentID =>
			appointment removed
			3.appointmetID of other
			server => error message
			4.appointmentID where
			patient registered => patient
			added to next appointment
4		listAppointmentAvailability()	1.when appointment slots
			are available =>
			appointment list shown
			2. when no slots available
			=> blank list
5	Admin +	bookAppointment()	1.when slots are available
	Patient		=> appointment booked
	Operation		2.when slots are full=> slots
			full message
			$3.\text{no slots open} \Rightarrow \text{no slot}$
			available error
			4.in other server =>
			appointment booked

			5.max. 3 appointments in other server test => successful 6. invalid appointmentID => no appointment booked
6		getAppointmetSchedule()	1.patient booked appointments => list of appointments 2.patient never booked appointment=> no appointment found message
			3.appointment from other servers => visible
7		cancelAppointment()	1.cancle on own server => success 2.cancle on other server => success 3.no appointment booked => no appointment found error message 4.invalid appointment id => no cancel operation
8	File log	clientLog()	1.user login => success 2.user operation => success 3.user logout => success
9		serverLog()	1.server starts => success 2.user operation => success 3.server-server communication => success

10	Admin + Patient	SwapAppointment()	1.new appointment has no capacity => no swap
	Operation		2.Old appointment doesn't
			exists and new
			Appointment exists => no
			swap
			3.Old appointment exists,
			and new Appointment
			doesn't exists
			=> no swap
			4.old appointment city
			equals to patient's city
			and new appointment city
			equals to patient's city =>
			success
			5.old appointment city not
			equals to patient's city and
			new appointment city
			equals to patient's city. =>
			success
			6.old appointment city equals to patient's city
			and new appointment city
			not equals to Patient's city
			=> success
			7.old appointment city not
			equals to patient's city and
			new appointment city not
			equals to patient's =>
			success
			8.old appointment city not
			equals to patient's city and
			new appointment city not
			equals to
			patient's city (Limit 3
			reached)
			=> no swap

Table 4.0 Test Scenarios and results