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1. Introduction

As the coursework asked for, Student Information System is developed. This application is developed in Microsoft Visual Studio in C#. This application is used to record details of a students, enroll him/her, generate reports showing details of the students, generate report showing the total number of students enrolled, and show the enrolled students in a chart.

C# is an elegant and type-safe object-oriented language that enables developers to build a variety of secure and robust applications that run on the .NET Framework. C# can be used to create Windows client applications, XML Web services, database applications and much more. Microsoft Visual Studio is an integrated development environment(IDE) from Microsoft. It provides an advanced code editor, convenient user interface designers, integrated debugger, and many other tools to make it easier to develop applications based on the C# language and the .NET Framework. (microsoft.com, 2020)

Some of the main features of the application that I created are listed below:

- A login window at the startup.
- A Home window after login into the application, which contains several navigation buttons for all other pages.
- An Enroll page, where all the details of the student are entered in a form and recorded in a XML file.
- Creation of a XML file to save all the details of the students.
- An Import page, where all the details of the students are imported from a .csv file, and recorded to the created XML file.
- A Report page, where all the details recorded in the XML are shown in a data grid.
- A Total students page, where all the enrolled students in each courses are counted and displayed.
- A Chart page, where the enrolled students in each courses are displayed in a pie chart.

2. User Manual

To use the system properly, please follow the instructions are given below with pictorial descriptions.

2.1 Execution of program

To run the program, click on 'CWAD.exe' file. This file is located inside 'CWAD\bin\Debug' folder.

2.2 Login Window

Login window is the first window, that will appear when the application is started. The login window will contain 2 empty text boxes, and a login button. Both Username and Password is 'admin', therefore the user should type 'admin' in both empty text fields, and then click on the Login button. Then a dialogue box will appear, and after you press OK, it will take you to the home window.

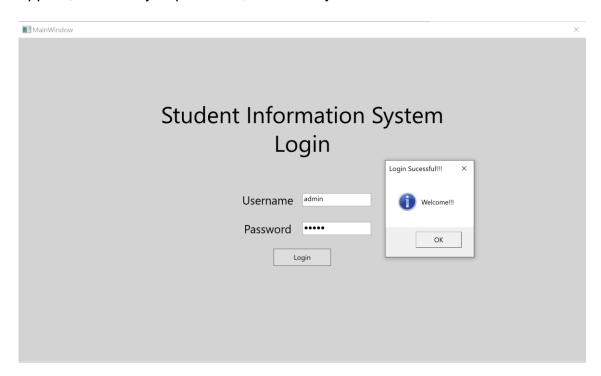


Figure 1: Login Window - Login Successful

2.3 Home Window

Home window will open after the user login successfully. The home window consists of navigation buttons at the top. To use other features of the application, the user can navigate using the buttons at the top, which will take the user to different pages in the same window.

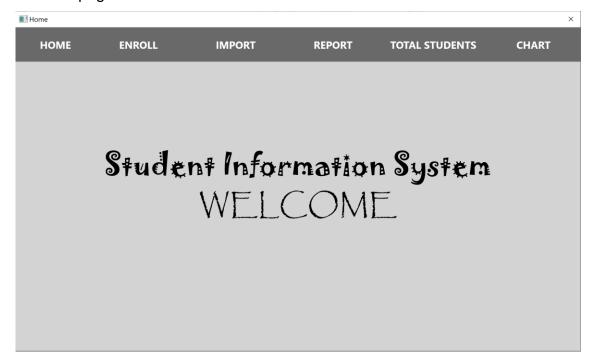


Figure 2: Home Window

2.4 Home Page

The Home page is what you see at first after logging into the application. The user will just be navigated to the Home page, if clicking on that button.

2.5 Enroll Page

After the user navigates into Enroll Page, a form will be seen. The form is for enrolling the students. The user needs to fill all the empty text fields with correct data. And after that, the user needs to click on the 'Record Student Details' button, so that a XML file will be created and the data will be saved in that XML file; and also the recorded details of that one time will be displayed on the data grid below. There's also another button 'Clear Fields', which will clear all the text boxes when clicked.

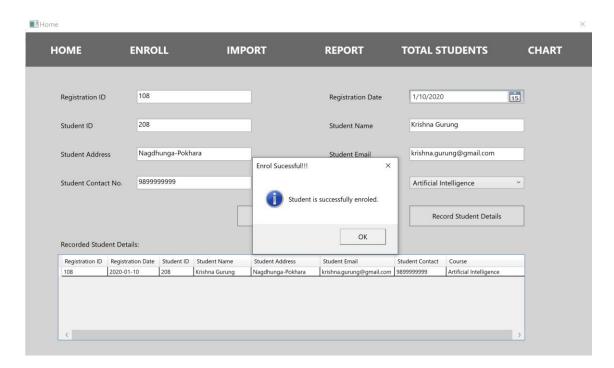


Figure 3: Enroll Page - Enroll Successful

2.6 Import Page

After the user navigates into Import Page, a textbox and a button will be seen. To import the .csv file, at first the user will have to click on the 'Import and Save to XML' button. Then the Browse dialogue box will open, and the user needs to search the file he wants to import, and select it, and then click on the button 'Open'. Then a dialogue box will appear, that will inform the user about the successful import. The user needs to be careful in one thing though, he needs to select .csv file only to import; if not then the import process won't be successful.

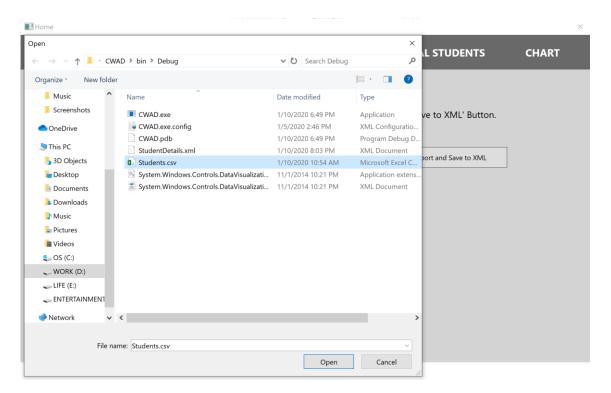


Figure 4: Import Page - Selecting File

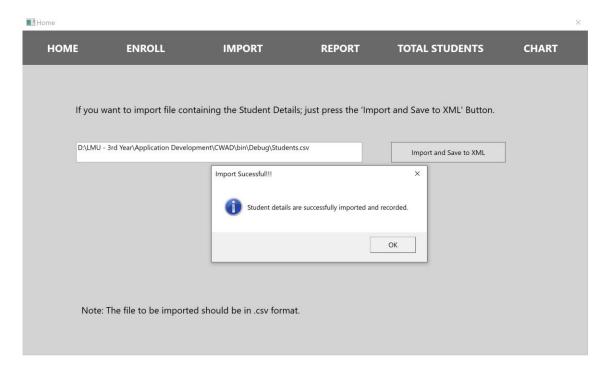


Figure 5: Import Page - Import Successful

2.7 Report Page

After the user navigates into Report Page; two radio buttons, a normal button and a data grid; will be seen. To generate report, the user needs to click on 'Generate Report' button; and a table will be displayed in data grid showing all the details of the enrolled students. If the user wants to sort the table data by the students first names, then the user has to click on the 'Student's First Name' radio button, and then click the 'Generate Report' button again. Also if the user wants to sort the table data by the student's registration date, then the user has to click on the 'Student's Registration Date' radio button, and then click the 'Generate Report' button again.

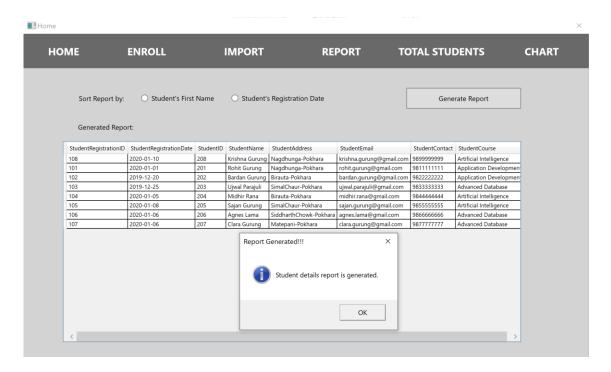


Figure 6: Report Page - Default

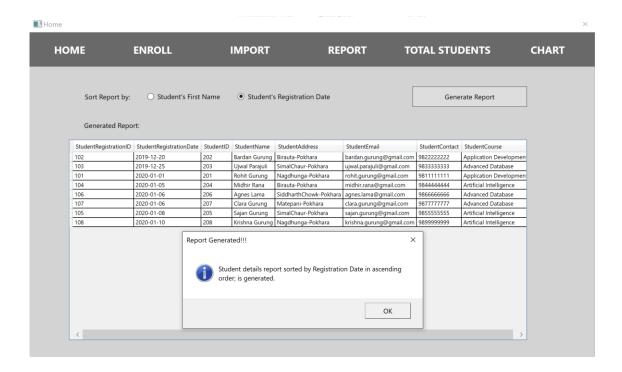


Figure 7: Report Page - Sort By Date

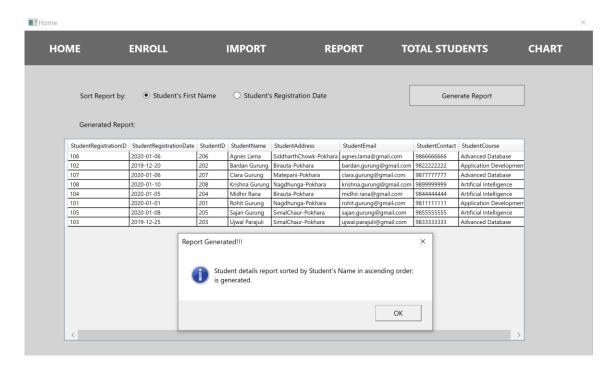


Figure 8: Report Page - Sort by Name

2.8 Total Students Page

After the user navigates into Total Students Page, a button and data grid, will be seen. To see the total number of students enrolled in each courses, the user just has to press the 'Generate Report' button; then the course names along with the number of students enrolled in them; will be displayed in the table.

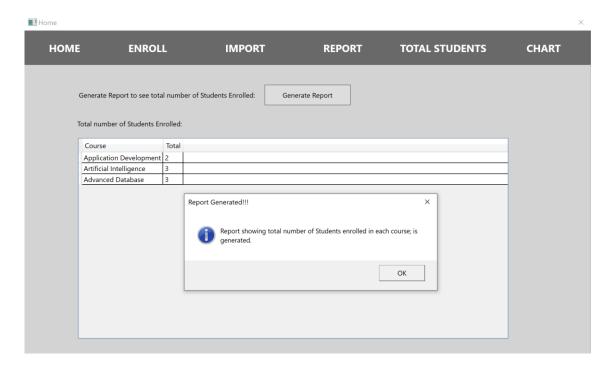


Figure 9: Total Students Page - Students Count Successful

2.9 Chart Page

After the user navigates into Chart Page, the user can see a Pie Chart directly. If there are students enrolled in available courses, the Pie Chart will be displayed. But if the students are not registered into any of the courses, then the Pie Chart won't be displayed.

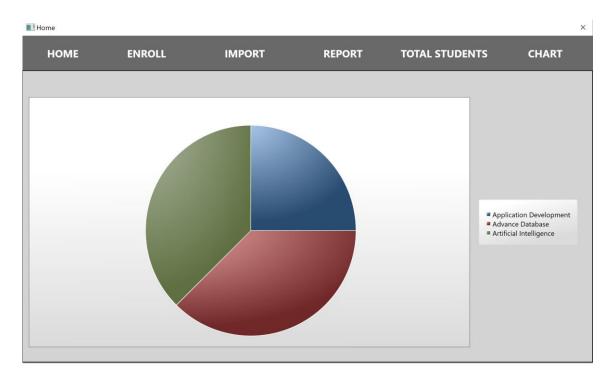


Figure 10: Pie Chart

3. Flowchart

The way my Application works has a process, which can be described through flowchart. The flowcharts below describe how the students are enrolled in the application.

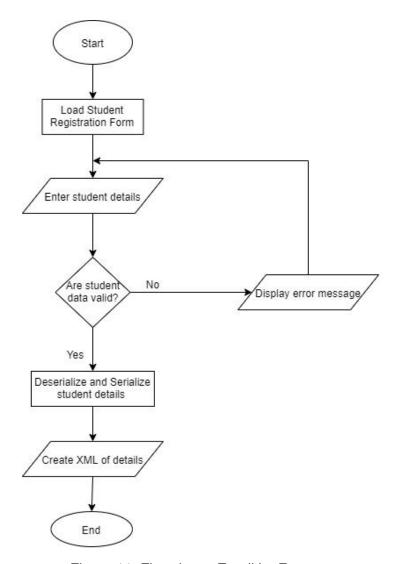


Figure 11: Flowchart - Enroll by Form

To enroll a student into the system, at first the Student Registration Form loads in the Enroll page. Then the user enters student details. Then the system validates the details entered by the user; and if the details are invalid, an Error Message is displayed to the user and the user have to re-check and re-enter the invalid details. If the details are valid, then the system creates a XML file, and records the details in it. But, if the file is already created, the details are updated into the same XML file.

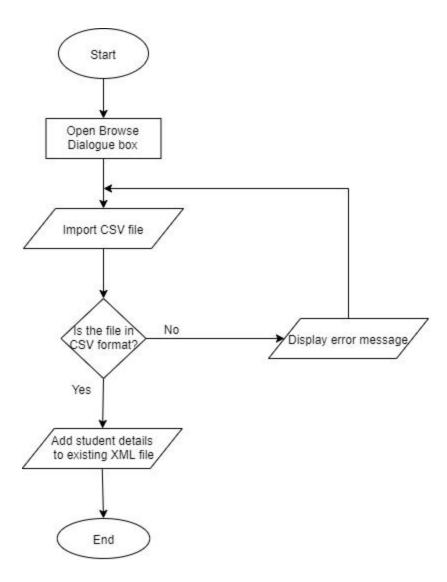


Figure 12: Flowchart - Enroll By Import

To enroll a student into the system, this is another method. In the Import page, at first the user has to click on the button and open Browse Dialogue box. Then the user has to find, select and open the CSV file. Then the system will check if the file is in .csv format. If it's not in the required format, the system will display an error message, and go back to previous step. But, if the file is in required .csv format, the file will be imported and the student details will be added to the existing XML file.

4. Method Description

4.1 Login Window

Method	Description
btnlogin_Click	This method checks the Username
	and Password entered by the user,
	and validates and logs in if only the
	user entered correctly.

4.2 Home Window

Method	Description
btnEnroll_Click	This method takes the user into
	Enroll page.
btnImport_Click	This method takes the user into
	Import page.
btnReport_Click	This method takes the user into
	Report page.
btnWeeklyReport_Click	This method takes the user into Total
	Students page.
btnHome_Click	This method takes the user into
	Home page.
btnPieChart_Click	This method takes the user into
	Chart page.

4.3 Enroll Page

Method	Description
AppendData	This method adds data into an
	already made XML data, by
	deserialize and serialize method.
BtnRecord_Click	This method checks if all the text
	fields are valid or not. If valid, it
	created a new XML file and stores the
	data into it.
BtnClear_Click	This method clears all the data of all
	the text fields of the form.

4.4 Import Page

Method	Description
btnRecordDetails_Click	This method reads the XML file, opens browse dialogue box for the user to choose the CSV file, then imports the data of CSV file and records it into the already created XML file.

4.5 Report Page

Method	Description
btnGenerate_Click	This method reads the XML file and
	generates report which displays the
	data in the XML file. This method can
	also sort the details by Registration
	Date and also by Student Name.

4.6 Total Students Page

Method	Description
StudentData	This method reads the XML file data, counts nodes and displays the data in data grid.
btnWeeklyReport_Click	This method pulls the public method StudentData, counts the number of students in each course, then displays in the datagrid.

4.7 Chart Page

Method	Description
PieChart	This method reads the XML file data, counts nodes, counts the number of students in each course, then uses Data Visualization Package to create pie chart with the numbers got by the count.

4.8 XmlRecord Class

Method	Description
RecordData	This method Appends and Writes into
	XML file using XnkSerializer.

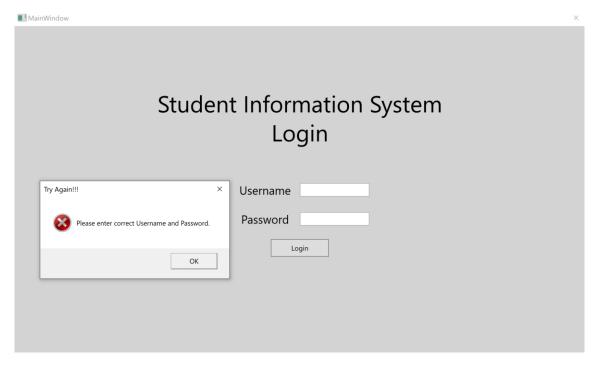
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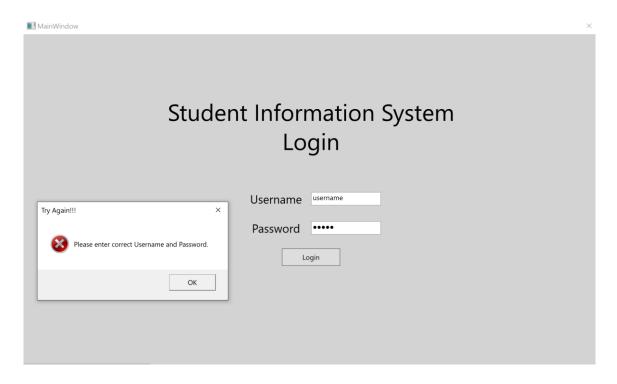
5.1 Testing 1

Objective: To display error message when the username or password is not valid.

Output: Displays error message for the invalid username or password.

Result: Successful.



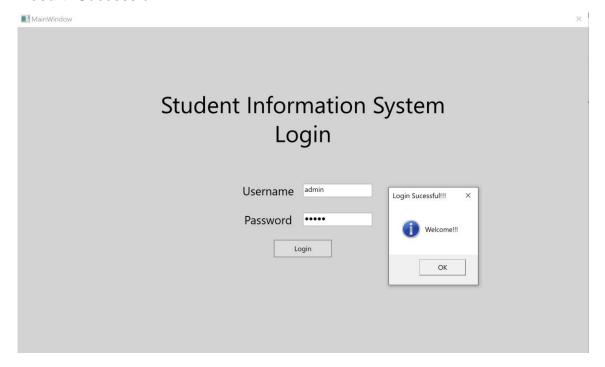


5.2 Testing 2

Objective: To display success message and navigate to home page when the username and password matches.

Output: Displays successful message and navigates to home page.

Result: Successful.

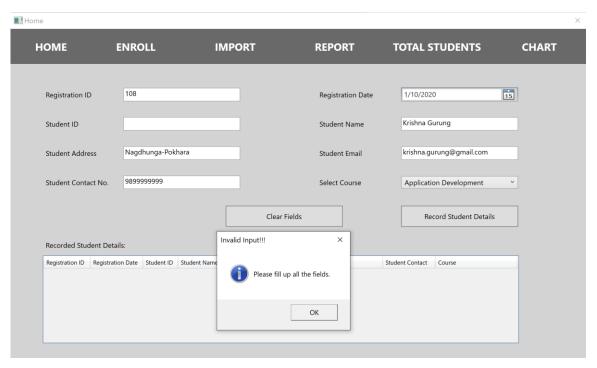


5.3 Testing 3

Objective: To display error message when the user leaves text fields empty in student enroll page.

Output: Displays error message for the invalid input.

Result: Successful.

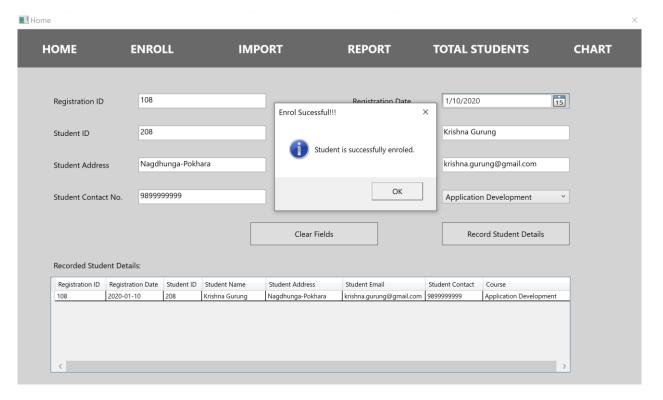


5.4 Testing 4

Objective: To display successful message when the user leaves text fields empty in student enroll page.

Output: Displays success message for valid inputs.

Result: Successful.

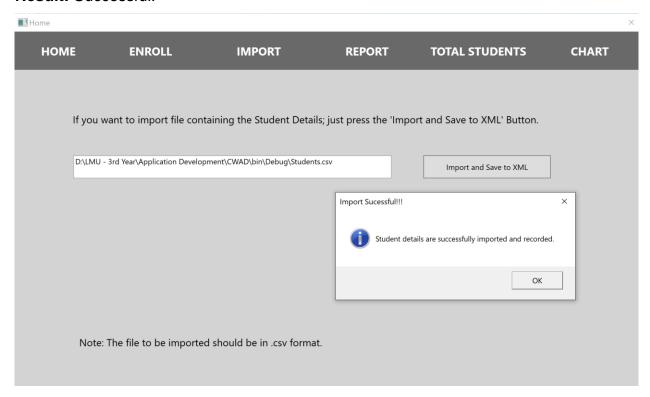


5.5 Testing 5

Objective: Check successful import of CSV file.

Output: CSV file successfully imported.

Result: Successful.

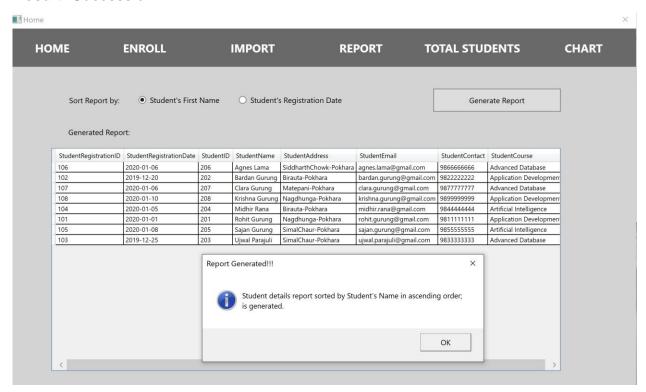


5.6 Testing 6

Objective: Check if the report is sorted by first name and displayed to grid.

Output: Displays the data with the first name sorting.

Result: Successful.

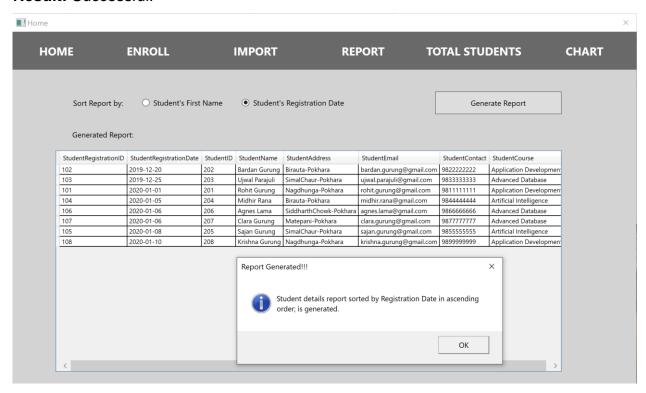


5.7 Testing 7

Objective: Check if the report is sorted by date and displayed to grid.

Output: Displays the data with the date sorting.

Result: Successful.

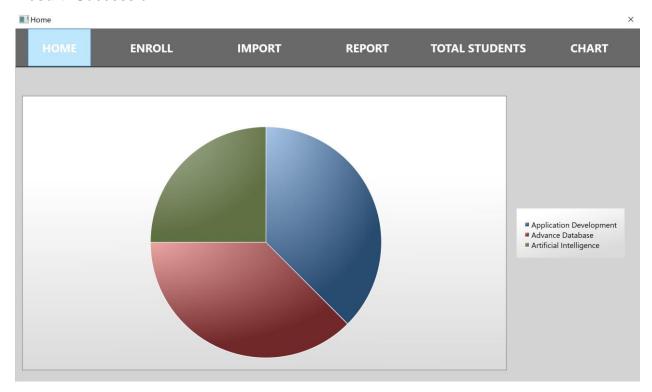


5.8 Testing 8

Objective: Check if pie chart is created with the xml data.

Output: Displays pie chart.

Result: Successful.



6. Learning Reflection

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8. Appendix