Tournament Management System

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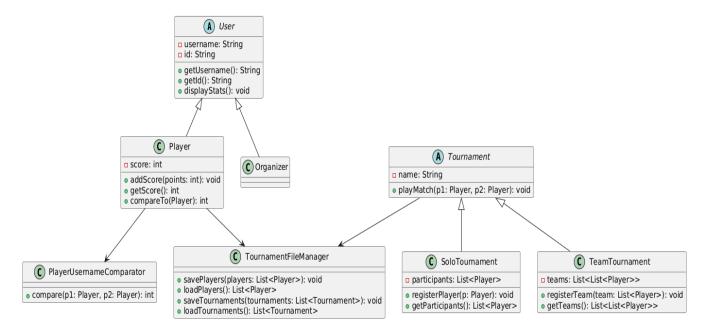
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Project Description

Scenario:

This project simulates a **Tournament Management System** where organizers can manage tournaments, and players can participate in matches. The system allows for both solo and team tournaments, keeping track of participants, scores, and basic match logic.

Design Paradigm / Functionalities:



Class hierarchy:

- User (abstract) → Player, Organizer
- Tournament (abstract) → SoloTournament, TeamTournament

Interface:

o Borrowable was adapted as MatchPlayable (if applicable in your code base).

• Polymorphism:

 playMatch() is overridden differently in SoloTournament and TeamTournament.

Data structures:

ArrayList, List<List<Player>>, etc., to manage players and teams.

• File handling:

Save and load players.txt and tournaments.txt.

Comparable & Comparator:

- o Player implements Comparable < Player > for sorting by score.
- PlayerUsernameComparator sorts by username alphabetically.

JUnit Testing:

Full unit tests covering players, tournaments, file I/O, and edge cases.

Null Safety:

Full handling of null/empty players, teams, and scores.

Git Repository:

Version-controlled via Git, structured with /doc and code folders.

Program Features and Screenshots

Register Players and Teams:

Players can be created with a username and ID.

Input

```
Player p1 = new Player("Alice", "P001");
Player p2 = new Player("Bob", "P002");
SoloTournament solo = new SoloTournament("Solo Cup");
solo.registerPlayer(p1);
solo.registerPlayer(p2);
```

Output

```
Player 'Alice' registered to Solo Tournament 'Solo Cup'.

Player 'Bob' registered to Solo Tournament 'Solo Cup'.
```

Teams are registered as lists of players.

Input

```
Player t1 = new Player("Team1_Player1", "T001");
Player t2 = new Player("Team1_Player2", "T002");
List<Player> team = Arrays.asList(t1, t2);
TeamTournament teamTournament = new TeamTournament("Duo Clash");
teamTournament.registerTeam(team);
```

Output

```
Team of 2 players registered to Team Tournament 'Duo Clash'.
```

Play Matches:

Solo matches award 10+5 points to the player(s).

Input

```
solo.playMatch(p1, p2);
```

Output

```
Match Result: Alice receives 15 points, Bob receives 5 points.
```

```
p1.getScore() // returns 15
p2.getScore() // returns 5
```

Team matches award 5+5 points to team captains.

Input

```
teamTournament.playMatch(t1, t2);
```

Output

```
Team Match: Captains Team1_Player1 and Team1_Player2 awarded 10 points each.

t1.getScore() // returns 10

t2.getScore() // returns 10
```

Example console output:

```
Solo match between Alice and Bob: Alice +15 points, Bob +5 points
Team match between Team1 and Team2: Captains awarded 10 points each
```

Save & Load:

- Players and tournaments are saved to files (players.txt, tournaments.txt).
- Supports safe loading with missing/invalid data gracefully handled.

Example file

```
Alice,P001,15
Bob,P002,5
Charlie,P003,

TournamentFileManager tfm = new TournamentFileManager();
List<Player> players = tfm.loadPlayers();

Loaded player: Alice with score 15
Loaded player: Bob with score 5
Missing or blank score for: Charlie, setting score to 0
```

Sorting:

- Players are sorted by score (descending).
- Alternative sorting by username using PlayerUsernameComparator.

Example output:

```
Players sorted by score:
- Alice: 25 pts
- Bob: 10 pts

Players sorted by name:
- Alice
- Bob
```

Unit Testing:

 Tests for adding scores, registering participants, file I/O, comparator logic, and null safety.

Challenges

Null Handling:

- Early tests and matches failed with NullPointerException when players were null.
- o Fixed by adding if (p1 != null) guards everywhere in match logic.

File Path Issues:

- Test files (Player.csv, etc.) were mismatched with production files (players.txt).
- o Standardized file paths across code and tests.

Score Parsing:

- o Crashes occurred when parsing empty or malformed score strings.
- Added strong guards in TournamentFileManager to skip bad data and default scores to 0.

Deserialization of Tournaments:

 I Initially left as a placeholder, which led to problems. After expanding it later it allowed me to parse tournament types properly.

Learning Outcomes

• Polymorphism & Inheritance:

 Stronger understanding of how class hierarchies and overridden methods work.

File Handling:

 Learned to handle I/O with robust error-checking (null-safe, malformed data).

Unit Testing:

Designed reliable tests that cover both valid and edge cases (null/empty).

• Defensive Coding:

 Improved ability to anticipate and handle bad input (nulls, blanks, invalid numbers).

Version Control & Project Structure:

o Practiced working with Git, organized project with a /doc folder for reports.