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HOMOGENIZATION

Homogenization in software development is crucial for maintaining consistency, clarity, and correctness across a system.

Following elements are involved in homogenization.

1. Combining Class:

- To merge classes with overlapping responsibilities and avoid redundancy.
- Examine the purpose, attributes and functions of similar classes
- Identify synonyms and consolidate classes performing identical tasks
- Align class names with customer terminology for clarity.

Example: Class Customer and Client both store customer details & have similar attributes (Name, Email, Address). Then merge them into a single class.

2. Splitting Classes

- Ensure each class adheres to single responsibility principle

Example: Student type class handles splits

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into Student Info and Transcript to separate student details and course records

3. Eliminating Classes :

→ Remove unnecessary classes that don't contribute to the system.

Example : A transactionControl class only forwards data from transactionUI to transactionProcessor without adding any logic or behaviour
↳ Eliminate the control class

4. Consistency Checking :

→ Ensure static (class diagram), dynamic (state diagram), and interaction (sequence diagram) views, use consistent terminologies.

Example :

↳ In class diagram, an object is named OrderItem

↳ In sequence diagram, the same obj is referred to as Item

↳ Rename Item to OrderItem in seq. diagram.

5. Scenario Walkthrough :

→ Validate that scenarios align with the system design and no elements are missed.

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Example:

↳ Seq diag shows Customer interacting with Payment Gateway for online payments.
Upon walkthrough:

↳ Reflexive relationship is missed:
Payment gateway interacts with its internal FraudChecker object.

6. Event Tracing:

→ Validate each message in the seq/collab diag

Example:

- In seq diag, OrderManager sends validateOrder to OrderValidation

- Verity:

1. OrderManager has a validateOrder() oper defined

2. OrderValidator has a validateOrder() method to receive & process the message.

3. An association class exists b/w OrderManager and OrderValidator in the Class Diagram.

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7. Documentation Review :

→ Ensures all classes, methods and attributes are clearly documented & std are followed.

Example :

↳ A User class has attributes userId and userName but lacks description

↳ After review : Add description

↳ Ensure consistent formatting, such as CamelCase for attributes & PascalCase for class names.