OOP - Exercises 4/20 Solutions

1. The **Observer Pattern** is characterized by a Subject, an Observer, a concrete implementation of the Observer called a ConcreteObserver, and attaching and notification methods.

Observer Pattern

Context

- 1. An object (which we'll call the subject) is the source of events (such as "my data has changed").
- 2. One or more objects (called the observers) want to know when an event occurs.

Solution

- 1. Define an observer interface type. Observer classes must implement this interface type.
- 2. The subject maintains a collection of observer objects.
- 3. The subject class supplies methods for attaching observers.
- 4. Whenever an event occurs, the subject notifies all observers.

For a JButton (the subject), identify the Observer, ConcreteObserver objects, and the "attaching" and "notifying" methods.

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Observer → ActionListener interface
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ConcreteObserver → the class implementing the ActionListener interface

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attach \rightarrow addActionListener() method notify() \rightarrow actionPerformed() method
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2. Suppose you want to provide access to a file myLogfile.txt that clients can write logs to. Implement a FileLogger class using the **Singleton Pattern** so that only one instance of FileLogger is available at any time. The client should be able to write logs to the file using a static method:

```
FileLogger fl=FileLogger.getInstance();
fl.writeLog(" The process terminated abnormally" );
```

Provide complete implementation of FileLogger class. You may assume that the text file myLogfile.txt exists.

```
import java.io.*;
public class FileLogger {
    private static FileLogger instance;
    private FileLogger(){
        file=new File("logFile.txt");
    }
    public static synchronized FileLogger getInstance(){
        if (instance == null)
            instance = new FileLogger();
        return instance;
    }
    public static void writeLog(String s) throws Exception {
        FileWriter fw=new FileWriter(file,true);
        fw.write(s+System.getProperty("line.separator"));
        fw.close();
    }
}
```

```
/** Test the FileLogger class */
public class testFileLogger{
   public static void main(String[] args){
        FileLogger fl = FileLogger.getInstance();
        try{
            fl.writeLog(args[0]);
        } catch(Exception e) {
                  e.printStackTrace();
            }
        }
   }
}
```

3. Consider the Calculator class (myCalculator.java) from the previous exercise. Use this class to write a Java program that accepts an arithmetic expression as a command-line argument string, and outputs its value. For example if I call my program class expressionEvaluator, then executing:

```
> java expressionEvaluator "42*(23+7/9)+7*(90-22)/3" should give the value 1157.33 correct to two decimal places.
```

(This is the third use of the myCalculator class – MVC pattern in action!)

```
import java.text.DecimalFormat;
public class expressionEvaluator{
   public static void main(String[] args)throws Exception{
        myCalculator calc=new myCalculator();
        double d=(double)calc.evaluateExpression(args[0]);
        DecimalFormat df=new DecimalFormat("#.00");
        System.out.println(df.format(d));
   }
}
```

4. Write a program that takes a class name as command-line argument and prints all the interfaces that class implements, if any, as well as all of its superclasses and interfaces implemented by the super classes.

```
public class ShowSuperClassesAndInterfaces{
    public static void main(String[] args)throws Exception{
        Class c1=Class.forName(args[0]);
        printInterface(c1);
        while ((c1 = c1.getSuperclass()) != null) {
            System.out.println("extends " + c1.getName());
            printInterface(c1);
        }
    }
    public static void printInterface(Class c){
        Class[] theInterfaces = c.getInterfaces();
        for (int i = 0; i < theInterfaces.length; i++) {
            String interfaceName = theInterfaces[i].getName();
            System.out.println("Interface->"+interfaceName);
        }
    }
}
```

5. What are the three different ways of getting the Class associated with a Java class or its instance? What are the situations where each method is useful?