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1 Overview

2 Module Interaction

2.1 Class Descriptions

2.1.1 Class CommandLineInterface

The class `CommandLineInterface` represents the concrete command line interface. Therefore it only consists of two methods. The first one is `readInput` that receives a message that will be displayed and reads the next user input. The other method is `createOutput`. This method prints a string to the command line interface.

2.1.2 Class Controller

The controller is the main entry point for the program execution. It creates the view, receives the user input, calls the parser to create a command from the input and starts the module the user wants.

2.1.3 Class CommandParser

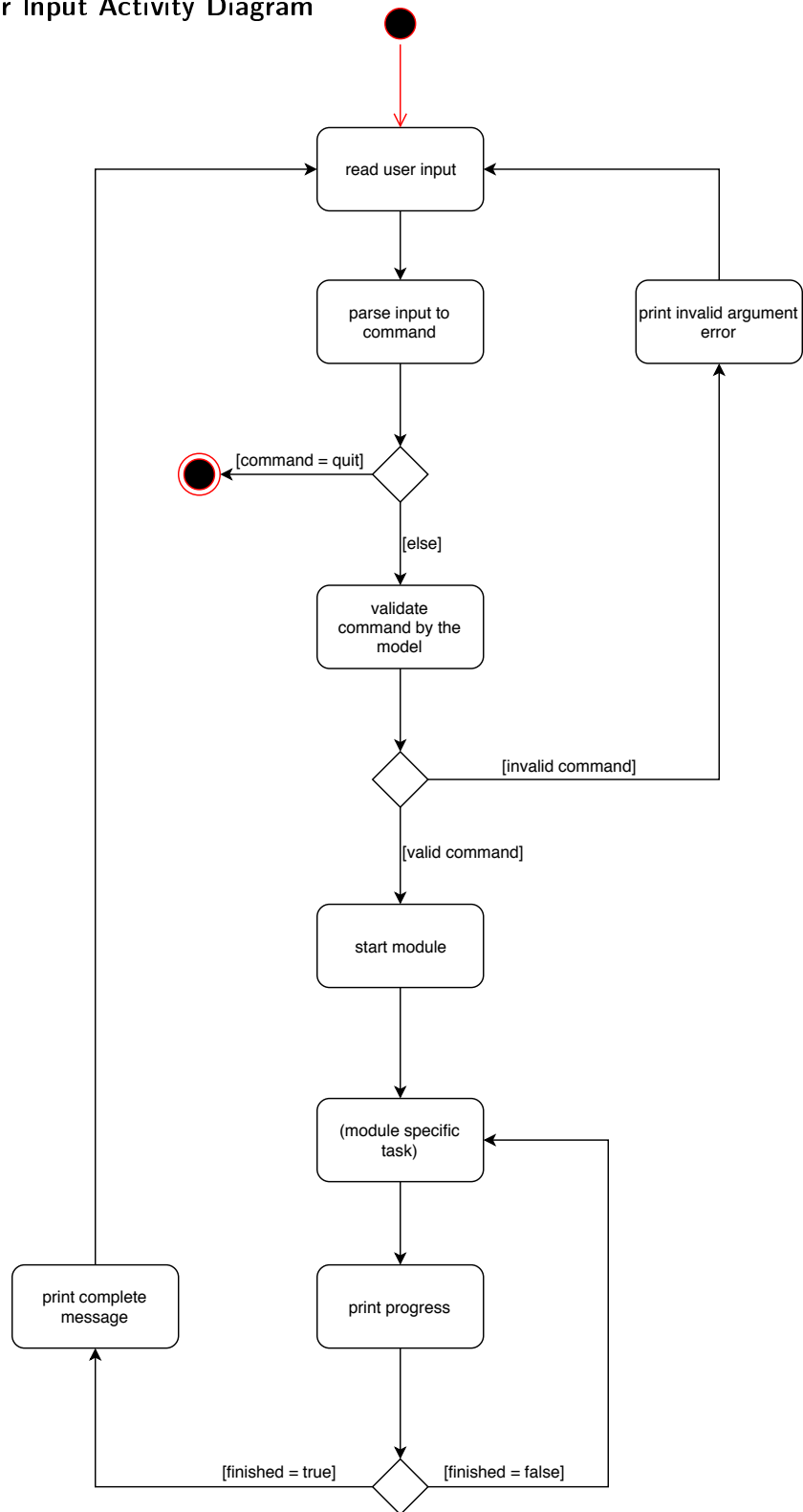
The `CommandParser` is a static class that gets the input which the user entered and parses it to a concrete command-object.

2.1.4 Class Command

The `Command` class holds all the information entered by the user that is needed to execute a module. There is one command subclass for each module and the command class also validates that all parameters are available to run the module. The command also has a `execute` method which runs the specific module with all the arguments it needs.

2.2 Activity Diagrams

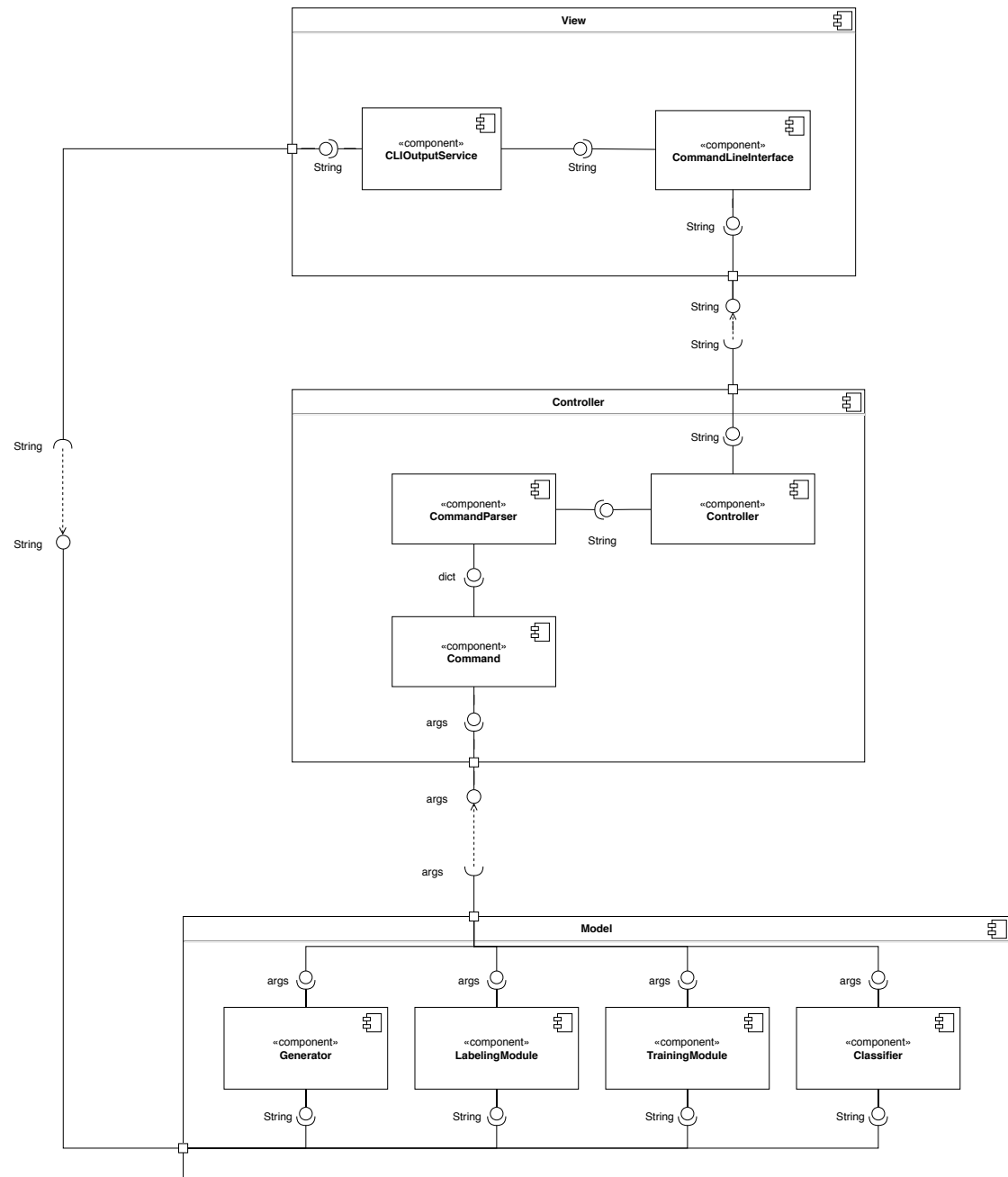
2.2.1 User Input Activity Diagram



This activity diagram shows the main workflow of the whole program. The program first waits for user input. After the user enters his input into the command line interface, the `CommandParser` parses this input to a command. If the command equals `quit`, the program will exit. If not the command will be validated to contain enough information to start the desired module. If it is not valid, an error message will be printed and the user can enter a new input. If the command is valid, the module will be started. Therefore the module computes his specific task in iterations. After each iteration it prints the current progress to the user. This two activities repeat until all tasks are done. When the module is finished, the program prints a complete message and starts waiting for new user input.

2.3 Component Diagram

2.3.1 Model View Controller Component Diagram



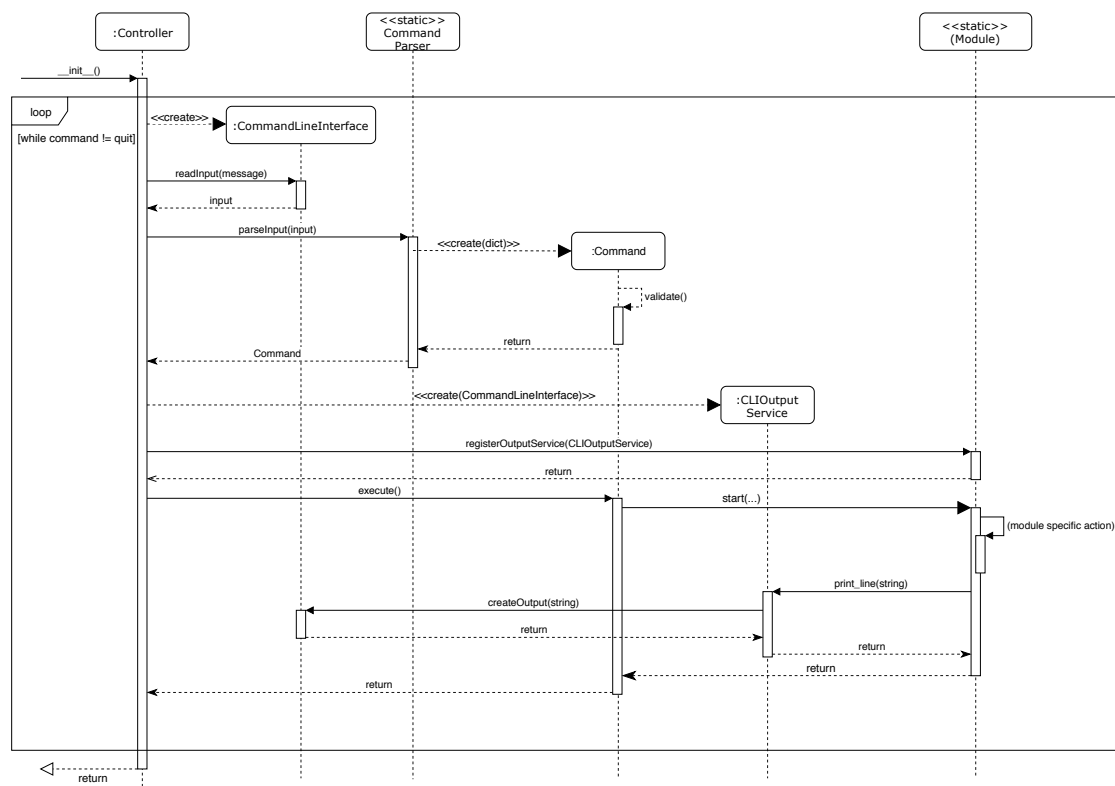
This component diagram shows the main interaction between the modules. For our main structure we use the model view controller. Each class belongs to one of the three parts: view, controller or model. In the view there is the `CommandLineInterface`, which as the name suggests represents the command line interface. It receives strings, that it will display and makes the user input available for other classes. The other class in the view is the `CLIOutputService`. This class works as the observer for the model and receives the strings the model wants to output. It then provides strings that can be displayed by the command line interface.

The next big part is the controller. This parts main component is the class that is also called controller. This class gets a string by the `CommandLineInterface`. This string it then passed to the `CommandParser`. This class creates the right command and passes the arguments to this command. The command stores this arguments and makes them available for the modules.

The model consists of the four static modules that make the computations. This modules get the arguments that are provided by the command. The modules can also provide strings that can be displayed in the view.

2.4 Sequence Diagrams

2.4.1 Controller Sequence Diagram



This class diagram shows what happens when the controller is being created. First it will create the `CommandLineInterface` class. After finishing that, it asks the command line interface for user input. This user input is then passed to the `CommandParser` that creates a dict out of this string and creates the right instance of a `Command`. When creating a command, it also calls the `validate` method that checks if all arguments that are needed by the module for running its computation are provided. If that's the case, the controller creates a `CLIOutputService` and attaches the `CommandLineInterface` to it. This `CLIOutputService` is then registered to the module so this can create output to the command line interface. After all this setup steps, the module is ready to be executed. Therefore the controller calls the `execute` method on the command, which then calls the `start` method of the module with the arguments it needs. The module then starts its computations and eventually calls the `CLIOutputService` to create some user output. The module calls `print_line` with the string it wants to output. The `CLIOutputService` creates the string that can be displayed and this is passed to the `CommandLineInterface` that is attached to `CLIOutputService`. After all computations are done, the module returns his call. Now the user can enter a new input until he enters quit.

3 Display Output

3.1 Class Descriptions

3.1.1 Interface OutputService

The OutputService interfaces can be implemented and passed to a module to receive the output of the modules. Therefore it has methods that represent different ways output can be displayed.

3.1.2 Interface Subscriber

The Subscriber interface only provides the method `update()` which will be triggered by an Observable upon receiving new values.

3.1.3 Class Observable

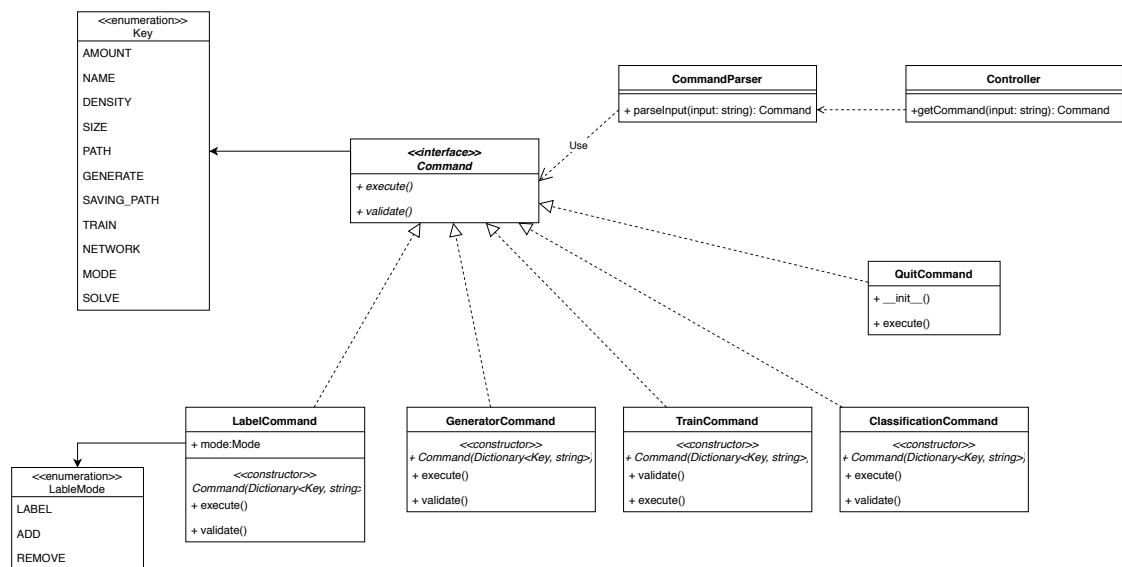
The Observable class can be used to notify subscribers when new values are provided. Subscribers can subscribe themselves to an Observer to get notifications about new data. The `next()` method calls `update()` on each subscriber.

3.2 Class CLIOutputService

This class implements the OutputService and the Subscriber interface. On creation it gets a reference of the CommandLineInterface to which it will pass the lines the modules wants to output. It also implements the Subscriber interface to subscribe itself to an observable. This can be used to display lines that are overwritten with new values like an progress bar or a counter.

3.3 Class Diagrams

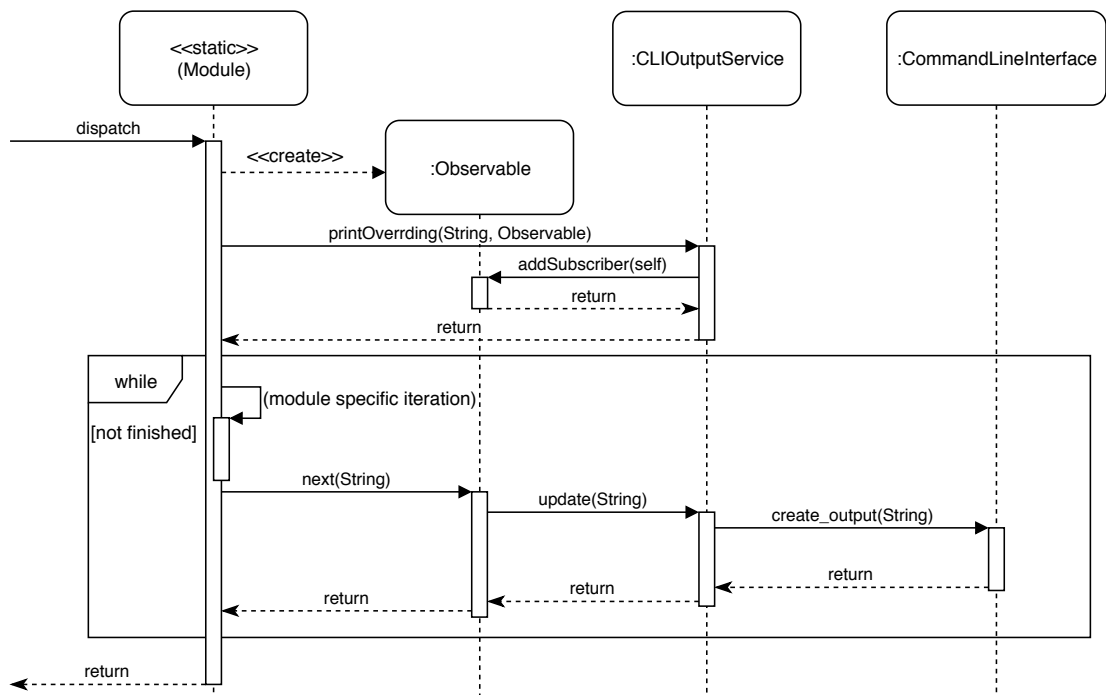
3.3.1 Command Parsing



This class diagrams shows all classes that are used by the `CommandParser`. The `CommandParser` has one method that receives an input string and returns a command. This method uses the first word of the input string to determine which module is supposed to be started. Based on this he creates an instance of this subclass of the command. The remaining string will be parsed to a dictionary with keys and values. This dictionary is passed to the constructor of the command object. In the constructor of the command, the command also calls the `validate()` method. This method checks if all arguments that are necessary for the specific module start are provided. After that is finished the command can be returned by the `CommandParser`. The `execute` method of the command can be then used to start the modules computation.

3.4 Sequence Diagrams

3.4.1 Print Overriding String

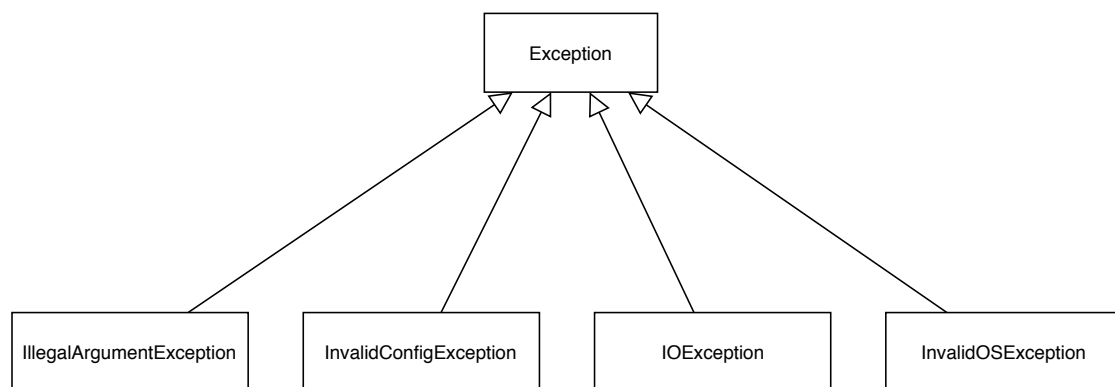


Sometimes the user wants to print a progress like a download status that is updated by time. But there should not be a new line for each percentage the download gets further. Instead the old string should be overwritten by time and the module should only have to pass the new status. Therefore there is the method `printOverriding` in the `CLIOutputService` that wants a string and an observable object. That is why the module first creates the observable object. This object is then being passed to the `printOverriding` method together with a string that will stay the same for this process. Because the `CLIOutputService` implements the `Subscriber` interface, it can subscribe itself to the observable. Now that the `CLIOutputService` is subscribed to the `Observable`, it will be notified when the `Observable` gets new data. When the module starts its computations, it can call `next` with the new data with which it wants to override the old one in the view. In the next call of the observable, all subscribers will be notified with the new value. The string with the new value can now be printed to the command line interface.

4 Exception Handling

4.1 Class Diagrams

4.1.1 Exception Classes



Each exception extends Python's Exception class. There are four kinds of exceptions that may be thrown by one of our classes.

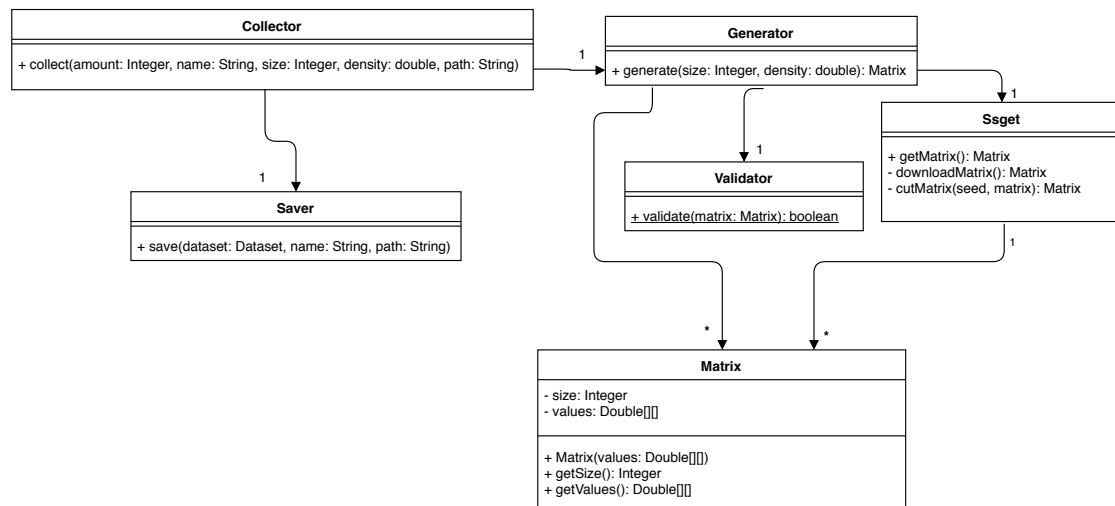
The `IllegalArgumentException` will be thrown if the arguments the user has entered are not valid.

The `InvalidConfigException` will be thrown if the user edited the configuration file with invalid arguments or syntax.

The `IOException` will be thrown if errors occur while reading from or writing data to the hard drive.

The `InvalidOSEException` will be thrown if some part of our program is trying to access functionality that is not supported on the current operating system.

5 Collector



The collector component is responsible for acquiring, creating, collecting and saving matrices into a dataset. It consists of six classes: The Collector class which is the entry point of the component. The Collector class has one Generator object for generating matrices and uses the Saver for saving a dataset. The Generator class has one Validator util class for checking regularity, one Ssget instance for fetching and cutting matrices from the SuiteSparse Matrix collection and multiple matrix objects for initializing and returning matrices.

5.1 Class Description

5.1.1 Class Collector

The Collector class is responsible for collecting a given amount of matrices and saving it into a HDF5 dataset. When the user types collect into the command line interface, a Collector object will be created and the public method collect() with its parameters: amount, name, size, density and path will be called. The class has a Saver class attribute and a Generator class attribute. It uses methods from the Generator class to get matrices to collect and methods from the Saver class to save the collected dataset. (see the collect method Activity Diagram for a more detailed overview). The Collector class is the interface between matrix collecting and the command line interface and conceals all the classes of the Collector described in the following.

5.1.2 Class Generator

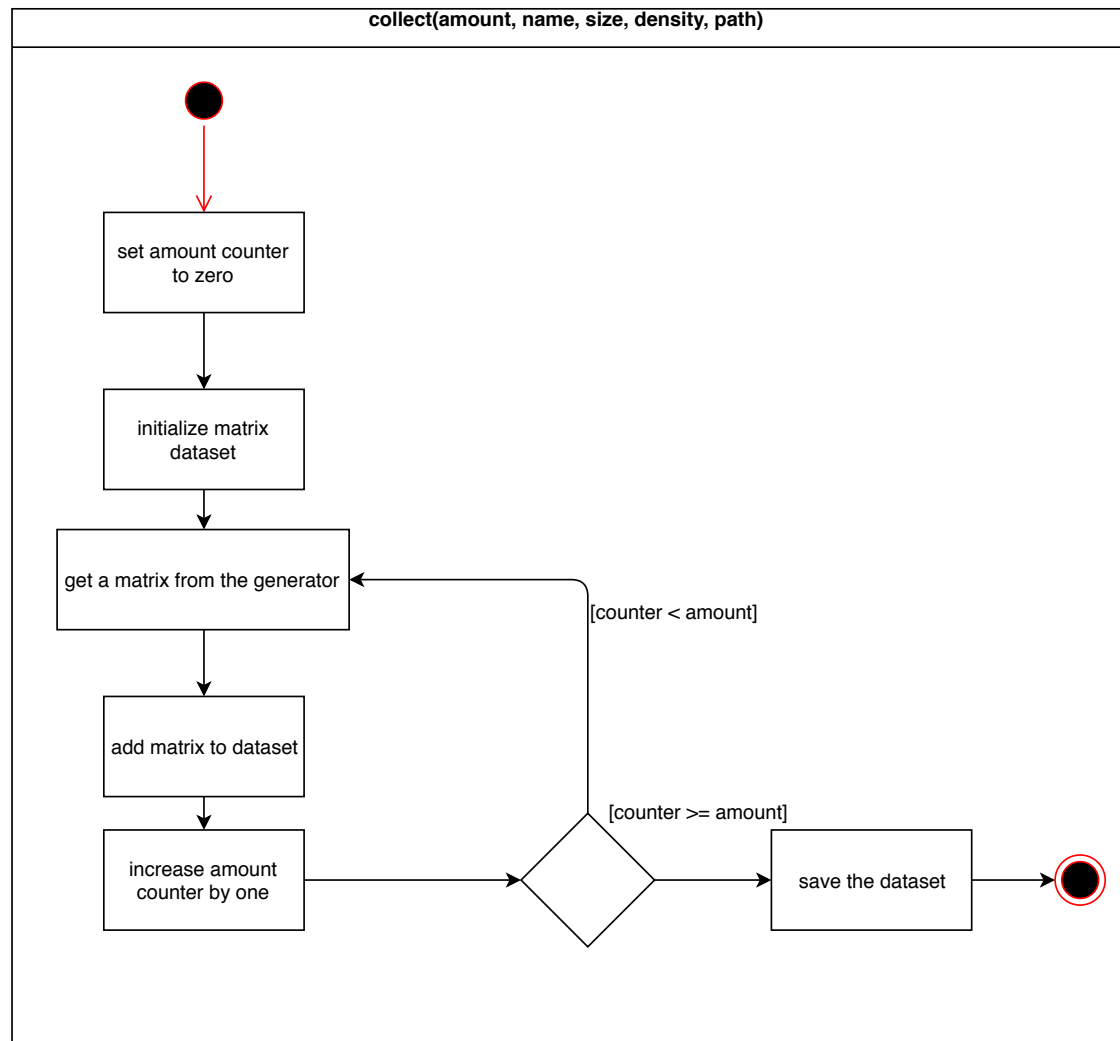
The Generator class is responsible for actually generating matrices by transforming raw matrices from SuiteSparse and validating them. The generate(size: Integer, density: Integer):Matrix method is called by a Collector object, uses the Matrix class to initialize an empty matrix, uses the Ssget class to fetch and transform matrices from the SuiteSparse collection and uses the static Validator.validate(matrix: Matrix) method to check if the matrix is regular and can be returned.

5.1.3 Class Ssget

The Ssget class is responsible for fetching matrices from the SuiteSparse collection, transforming them and returning them. Its getMatrix method is called by a generator object. The getMatrix method uses the Matrix class to initialize a matrix, then the private downloadMatrix method to fetch a matrix from SuiteSparse, and after that uses its private cutMatrix method to cut a fixed size, regular matrix out of it.

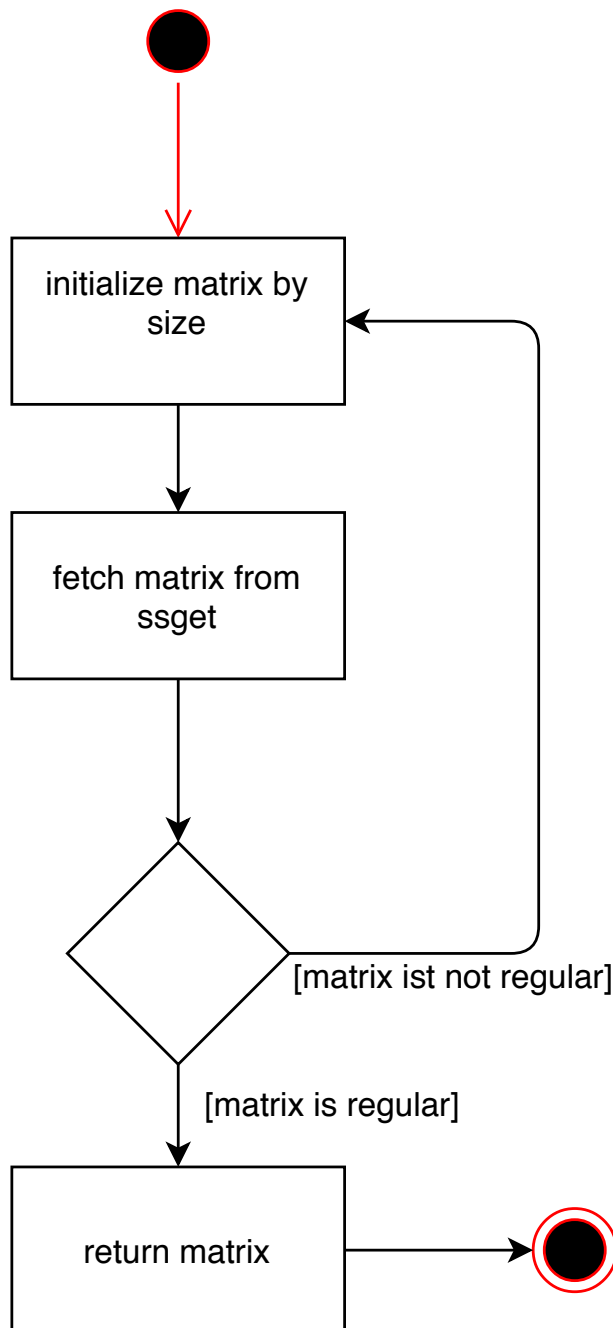
5.2 Activity Diagrams

The collect method is executed in the following manner:



This activity diagram gives a brief overview on how the collector works. First of all a counter is set to zero. Then a matrix dataset for the later collected matrices is initialized. After that a matrix will be fetched from the generator and added to the already initialized dataset. At last, the counter is increased by one and after that, when the counter equals the amount, the dataset is saved by the saver. If the counter is still smaller than the given amount, another matrix will be fetched.

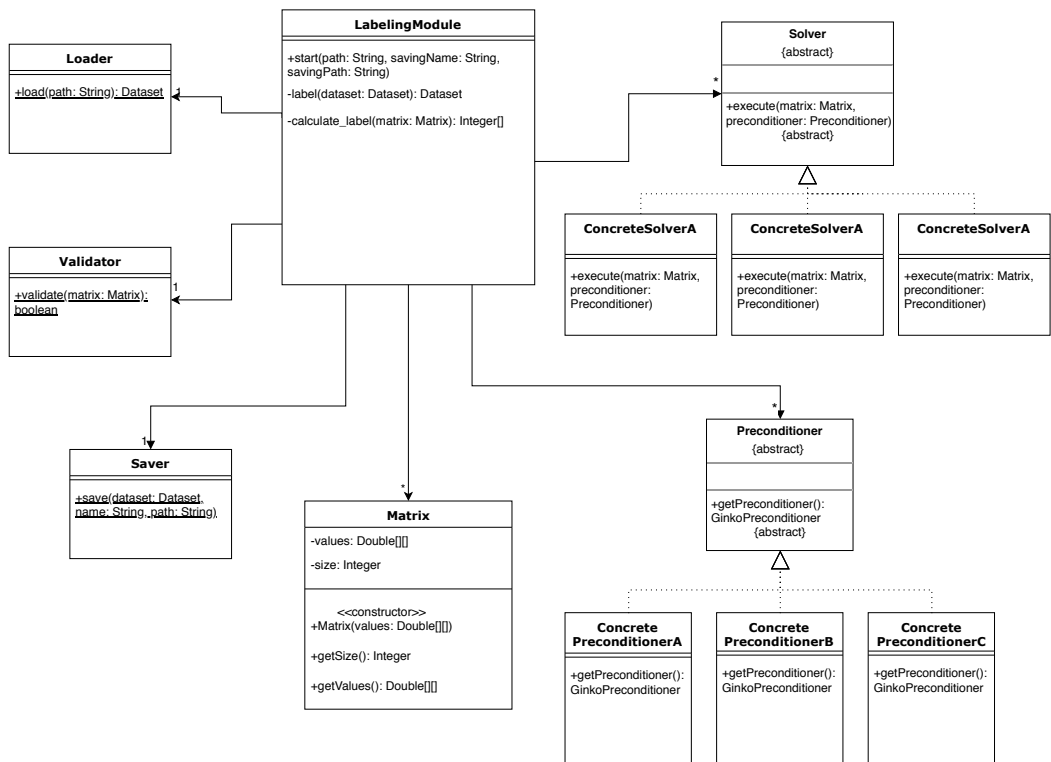
generate(size, density)



This activity diagram shows how matrices are generated when collecting them to create a dataset. At first an empty matrix with the given size is initialized. After that a matrix is fetched from `ssget`. When the matrix is regular (this is checked by the Validator) then it will be returned. Otherwise another matrix will be fetched.

6 Labeling Module

The labeling module is responsible for the labeling of the sparse matrices. The label of a matrix describes which preconditioner/iterative solver combination solves the given matrix the fastest. The label is represented by a vector. Each entry in the vector corresponds to one preconditioner/iterative solver combination. The entry of the fastest one is 1, all other entries are zero. The matrices with the corresponding labels will be used to train the neural network in the training module.



The main component of the labeling module is the class labeling module. It provides the only public method in the labling module, the method `start(path:String, savingName:String,savingPath:String)`. This method is the entry point of the module and will start the labeling process of the provided matrices(specified by the path).

The class labeling modue has a set of matrices which the module will label.

The module furthermore has a Loader class. The class labeling module has exactly one Loader class. This class is responsible for loading the matrices which get labeled. Its only method is the method `load(path:String)` which gets a path of a HDF5 file supplied and returns a dataset. If the specified path is not a HDF5 file, the module will throw an exception.

Another class in the labeling module is the Saver class. The class labeling module has exactly one Saver class. This class is responsible for the saving of the matrices and the labels. Its only method is the method `save(dataset:Dataset,path:String)`. If this method is called, the specified dataset will be safed at the specified path. The matrices and the labels will be safed in one HDF5 file.

The labeling module class moreover has a validator class. This class is responsible for determining wheter the given matrix is regular. If that is not the case, the matrix will be deleted.

Since the labeling module is responsible for finding the best preconditioner/iterative solver combination for a given set of matrices, the module furthermore has a preconditioner and a Solver class. Those classes are abstract. ConcreteSolvers inherit from the class Solver and Concrete preconditioners from the class preconditioner.

The Solver class contains the logic for solving a matrix with an iterative solver. Each ConcreteSolver corresponds to one iterative solver.Each class of ConcreteSolver has the method `execute(Matrix,preconditioner)` which will solve a given matrix. We will be using the design pattern "stragety" for the iterative solvers. Because each Solver does basically the same thing(solving a matrix) in a different manner, we decided to implement this pattern. The user moreover has no influence on which Solver we will be using at any given time. Each Solver will take an optional precondtioner as its input for the method `execute(Matrix,preconditioner)`. The preconditioner will be used at every step of the

iterative solver. We will be using the design pattern "strategy" for the preconditioners too. preconditioners each return a Ginkopreconditioner which will be used by the Solver class to communicate with the ginkgo library. So each Concretepreconditioner basically does the same thing(returning a preconditioner). The user furthermore has no influence on which preconditioner we will be using at any given time. That is why the "strategy" design pattern is applicable.

6.1 Class Descriptions

6.1.1 Class LabelingModule

The class LabelingModule is the main component of the labeling module. It provides one public method `start(path:String, savingName:String, savingPath:String)` which is the entry point for the labeling module. When the user types label in the command line this command will be executed. The arguments of the start method are optional. If there are no arguments provided the labeling module will be using default paths. The default paths are specified in a configuration file(see the training module for further details). If the User specifies his own paths they have to be valid. Valid in this case means that the path points to a HDF5 file with the correct formatation. If this is not the case the program will print an error message to the command line and execute a controlled shutdown so that the user can specify a correct path.

6.1.2 Class Solver

An Solver in our sense is an iterative Solver which is able to solve a linear system $Ax=b$ for x , where A is a (in our case sparse) matrix of size $n \times n$, x is a vector of size $1 \times n$ and b is vector of size $1 \times n$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$). The matrix A in our case will be the Matrix the method `execute(matrix,preconditioner)` will receive, the vector b will be a random vector with values between 0 and 1. We chose the vector to be random since the choice of b has no great influence on the time it takes to solve the linear system. The iterative solver uses an iterative approach to solve the linear system. An iterative approach is characterized by the idea that the linear system gets solved step by step, where the solution of one step enables the solution of the next step. The class iterative solver achieves this by communicating with the ginkgo library, which has an implementation of the solvers. An iterative solver may optionally use a preconditioner for its calculation. Since there are many different iterative solvers which achieve the same outcome(solving for x) we will be using the design pattern "strategy". That is why the class `Algorithm` is abstract and `ConcreteSolvers` (which actually represent one iterative solver each) will inherit from `Solver`. The user at no point decides which Solver gets used at any given time.

A Solver has one method `execute(Matrix,preconditioner)`, which takes a matrix (and a

preconditioner) and solves it. The time the iterative solver takes to solve the matrix will be recorded and in the class `labelingModule` used to label the matrix. All `ConcreteSolvers` have to implement the abstract function `execute`.

6.1.3 Class `ConcreteSolver`

A `ConcreteSolver` is the actual representation of one iterative solver.

6.1.4 Class `preconditioner`

A preconditioner is a transformation of a linear system $Ax=b$ for x , where A is a (in our case sparse) matrix of size $n \times n$, x is a vector of size $1 \times n$ and b is vector of size $1 \times n$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$). A transformation may be a Matrix p ($n \times n$) which would result in the linear system $PAx = Pb$. A preconditioner is used so that the linear system may be solved more easily by an iterative solver. The transformation of the preconditioner is applied in every step of an iterative solver.

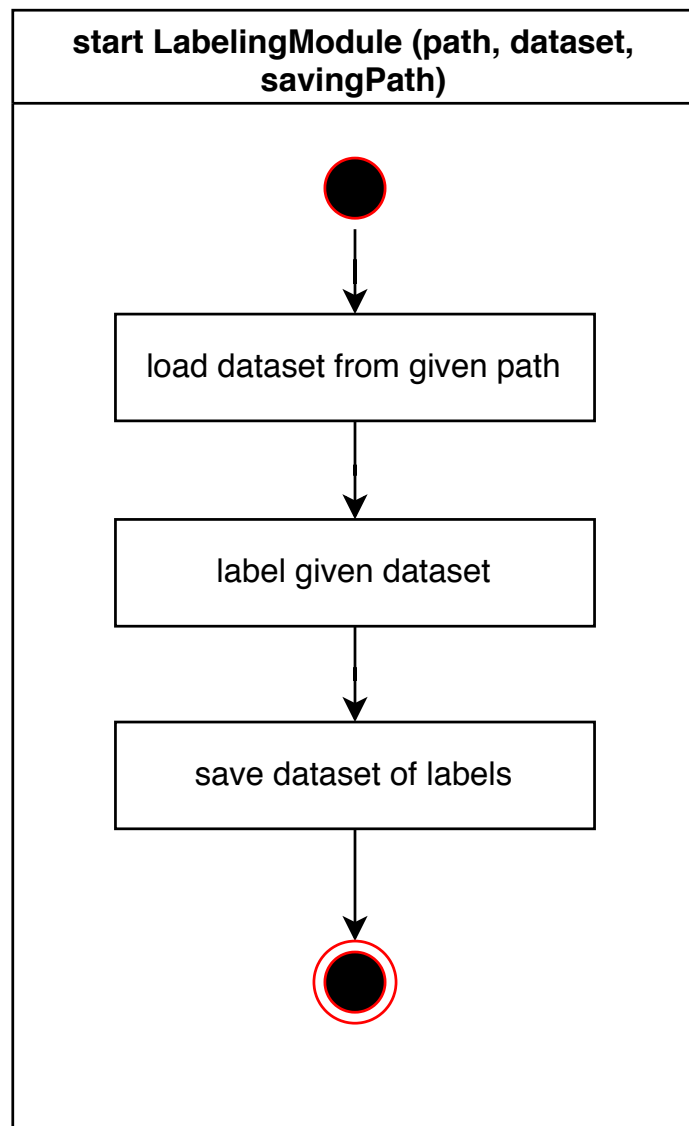
The class `preconditioner` only has one method, `getPreconditioner()` which will return the Ginko-Preconditioner corresponding to the `Preconditioner` class. The `Preconditioner` class achieves this by communicating with the ginkgo library.

6.1.5 Class `Concretepreconditioner`

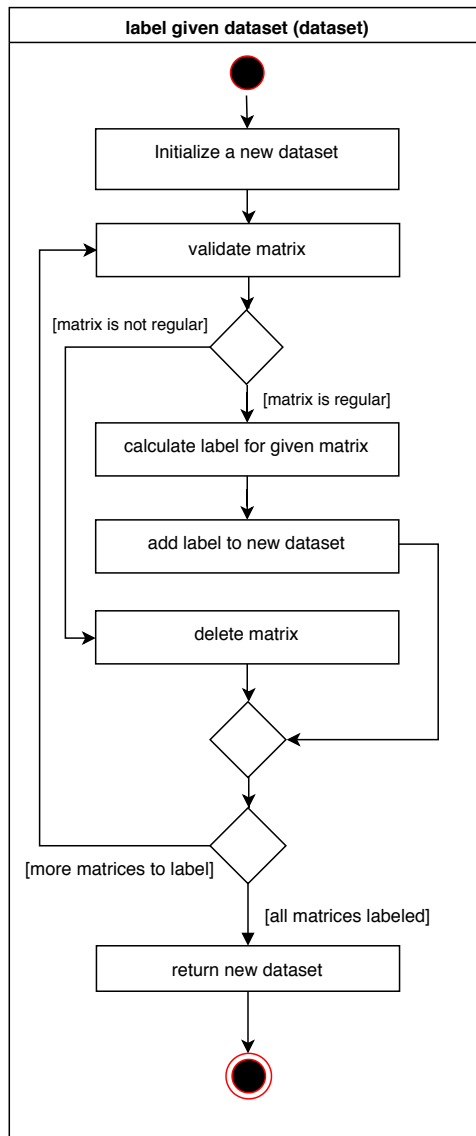
A `Concrete Preconditioner` is the actual representation of one preconditioner.

6.2 Activity Diagrams

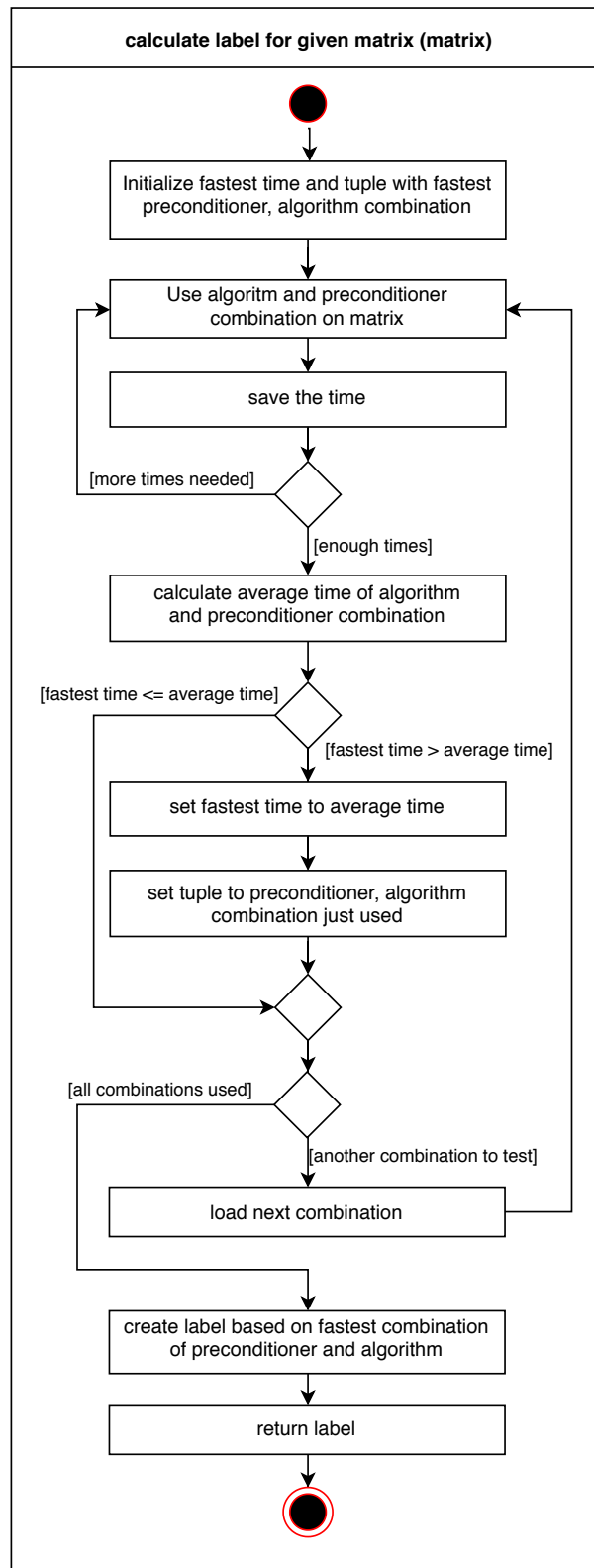
When the user types label in the command line interface the moethod start() in the class LabelingModule will be executed in the following manner:



The activity diagram “start LabelingModule” shows the general overview of what the LabelingModule does. The shown method start() is the only public method in the LabelingModule class, therefore the only way to communicate with it. First of all the dataset to work on will be loaded from the given path, which contains all matrices the LabelingModule has to label. After that the dataset will be labeled (explained in detail in the “label given dataset” activity diagram). Last but not least the new dataset with labels will be saved under the given savingPath.



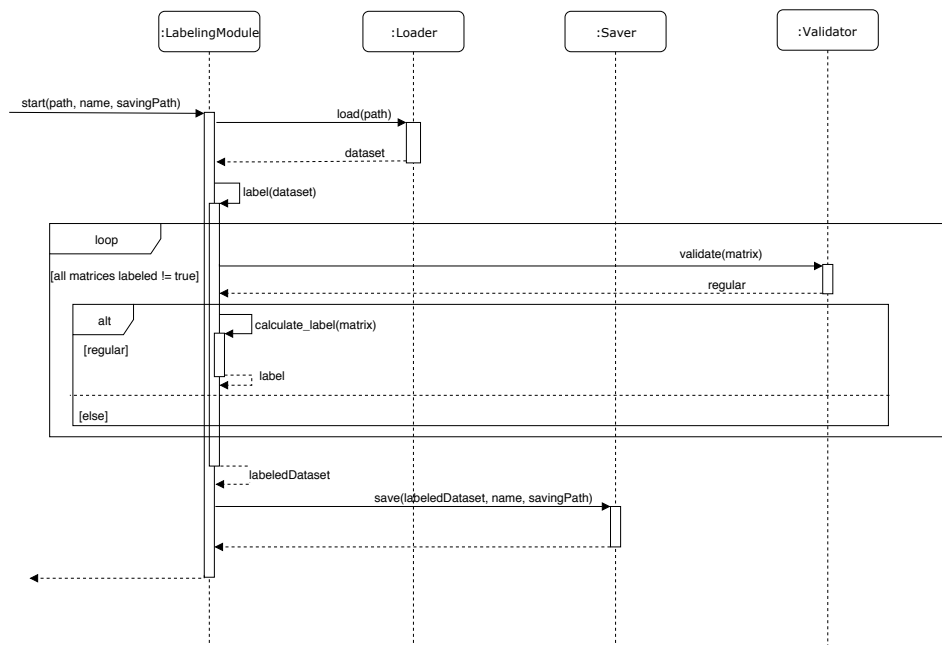
The activity diagram “label given dataset” shows how the class LabelingModule labels a dataset. First of all a new dataset is initialized. The following steps will be made on each matrix in the dataset. At first the matrix is validated, to see whether the matrix is regular or not, if the matrix isn’t regular the matrix will be removed. In case that the matrix is regular, the label for the matrix is calculated (explained in the “calculate label for given matrix activity diagram”). The calculated label will be saved in the new dataset. As soon as every matrix has been labeled the new dataset is returned.



The activity diagram “calculate label for given matrix” shows how a label is calculated for a single matrix. First of all a fastest item variable and a tuple of preconditioner, iterative solver is initialized. The first preconditioner, iterative solver combination is used on the matrix and the time it took to solve given matrix is saved, that process is looped, until we have enough saved time data. Out of the saved times for the preconditioner, iterative solver combination the average time the combination took will be calculated. The calculated average time will be written in the fastest time variable and the combination in the tuple previously initialized. After that a new combination is loaded, if there is another one to test. For each new combination the process of using the combination, saving the time and calculating the average time remains the same. After the average time of the new combination is calculated. After that there are two options. 1. if the average time of the new combination is smaller than the time saved in the fastest time variable, the fastest time variable gets overwritten with the new average time and the new combination is also getting written in the tuple. 2. the fastest time is smaller then the new average time, is that the case, the new average time and combination is ignored. Last but not least, if all combinations are finished testing a label is created based on the current fastest time and preconditioner, iterative solver combination and the label is returned.

6.3 Sequence Diagrams

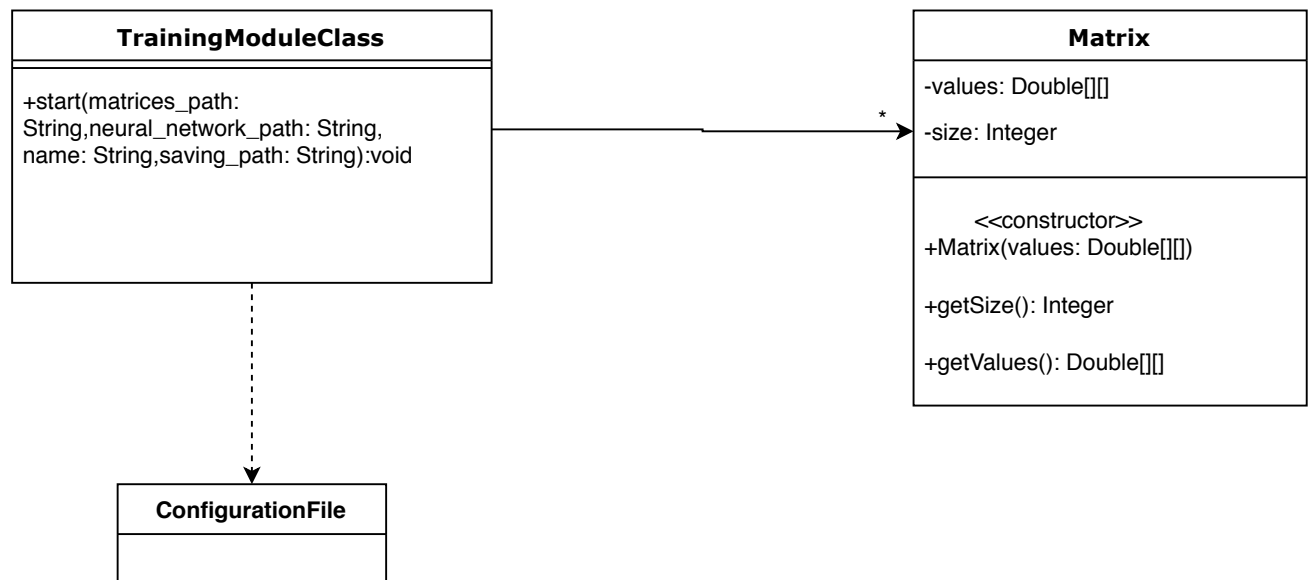
The sequence diagram shows what happens when the start() method of the LabelingModule is called. First of all the method load(), with the parameter path, of the Loader class is called, the path is either the path the user wrote in his input, or it is the standard path, which is specified in the Configuration File. The load() method returns the dataset the LabelingModule will be working on. After that, the LabelingModule calls its own method label() with the just received dataset. The label() method then goes into a loop, covering each matrix on its own. For each matrix, the validate() method of the Validator gets called with the parameter matrix. validate() returns a boolean, whether the matrix is regular (true) or not (false). If the matrix is regular, the method calculateLabel() of the LabelingModule with the parameter matrix is called. calculateLabel returns a label. If the matrix isn't regular, or the label is calculated the loop starts with the next matrix, until there are none left. After all labels are calculated they all are summarized in a dataset. The newly created data set will be now passed to the save method together with a filename and a path. The saver then saves this labeled matrices to the memory.



7 Training module

The training module is responsible for the training and testing of a neural network. It is structured in 2 parts, the configuration file and the class training module. The class training module loads its configuration from the configuration file. It furthermore uses a set of labeled matrices for the training and testing. With the configuration set, the class training module will start the training and testing. The trained network will be saved to a specified path.

Training Module



7.1 Class descriptions

7.1.1 Class Configuration File

The configuration file is a text file. The information will be loaded with a configuration file parser. It is used to specify all necessary information the class neural network needs to train the neural network. If the user does not change anything in the configuration file,

default options for the model definition and hyperparameters will be used. The loading and saving paths may be changed via the command line. The configuration file is organized in four main categories.

1. default loading path of the set of matrices
2. default saving path for the neural network
3. default loading path for the neural network
4. default model definition and hyperparameters

The loading path of the set of matrices is the path in which the matrices that are used for the training and testing are stored. The training module only supports one HDF5 file. If the path is invalid, the labling module will throw an error that will be printed to the user. For the training and testing being effective there should be at least 500 matrices in the HDF5 file. Otherwise the accuracy of the neural network will be so low that it can not be used for classification. If there is no path specified in the start method, the training module will use a default path. In the default path will be the latest matrices that the labling module has produced.

The saving path for the neural network is the path where the trained and tested neural network will be saved. It will be saved as a Keras model. If there is no path specified in the start method, the neural network will be saved at a default destination. If there is no path for the neural network specified in the module Classifier the module will use this default path to load its neural network.

The loading path for the neural network is strictly optional. If this path is specified in the method start the training module will use the neural network in the path for training and testing. This option enables the user to use a pre-trained neural network for training. This could be the case if the user interrupts the training process at a certain time and wants to repeat the training later. Other use cases are of course possible too. The neural network has to be a model of the Keras framework. If the path is any other file the training module will print an error so that the user can specify a valid path. If this path is not specified the training module will create a new neural network (with the model definition and hyperparameters of the next category) and train with this one.

The model definition and hyperparameters are used to determine which neural network will be trained and tested. The model definition determines the following:

- the amount of layers

- the amount of nodes in every layer
- the kind of neural network(e.g. Convolutional)
- the activation function
- the regularization
- the optimizer

The hyperparamters determine the following:

- the dropout
- the batch size
- how much of the data should be training and how much should be testing data
- the network weight initialization
- the learning rate

7.1.2 Class TrainingModule

The TrainingModule class is responsible for the training and testing of a neural network. It can not be instantiated, since it is a utility class. The structure is mainly oriented towards the keras workflow and will be further described later in the activity diagramm. The class offers one public method, the method `start(matrices_path: String,neural_network_path: String, name: String,saving_path: String)`.

We will furthermore be using the function `keras.callbacks.ModelCheckpoint` to save the neural network after every epoch. This will guarantee that we do not loose all training progress if the computer crashes or other unexpected events happen. The proceedure is consitent with the design pattern memento.

7.2 Activity Diagarams

When the user types train in the command line interface the method train in the class TrainingModule will be executed in the following manner:

- load the configuration file
- load the labeled matrices
- normalize values of the matrix(between 0 and 1)
- separate the labeled matrices in training and test data
- train a preexisting neural network or a new one(depending on the specified paths)
- test the neural network
- save the neural network

The configuration file that gets loaded will be used to specify the subsequent points.

The configuration file will determine from which path the labeled matrices will be loaded. If there is no path specified in the method start, the default path will be used(see the class description of the configuration file). The labeled matrices will be loaded in one HDF5 file. If the path links to any other file, the class TrainingModule will print an error to the command line so that the user can specify a valid path.

Then the values of the matrix will be normalized. This means that every entry will be converted to a value between 0 and 1, such that relative distances are kept. This is done because those values will be fed in the neural network and there should not be outliers which result in the neural network not being trained properly.

After that the class TrainingModule will separate the training and test data. How the data will be separated is specified in the configuration file.

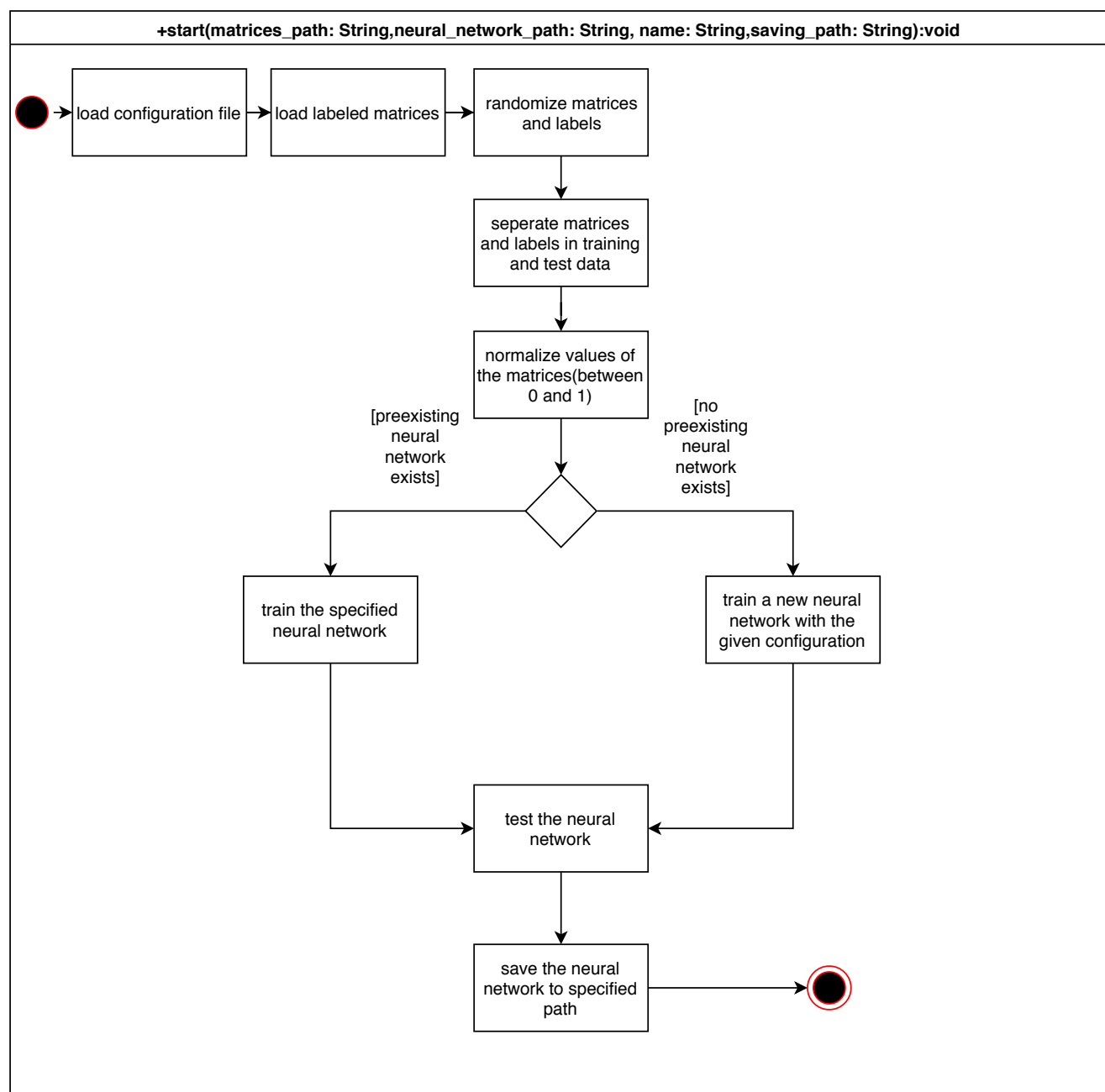
Following that, there are two alternatives: If the user has specified a neural network loading path in the method start, the class TrainingModule will train this neural network with the labeled matrices for the training. If the user has not specified a neural network loading path in the method start, the class TrainingModule will create a new neural network with the specifications in the configuration file.

If there are no model definitions in the configuration file the class TrainingModule will use the default neural network. The class TrainingModule then proceeds with training the new neural network with the labeled matrices for the training. In both cases the

current loss will be continuously printed to the command line.

Now the neural network is trained. The class `TrainingModule` proceeds with testing the neural network with the labeled matrices for the testing. This process will determine the accuracy of the neural network on the given test matrices. The accuracy will be printed on the command line.

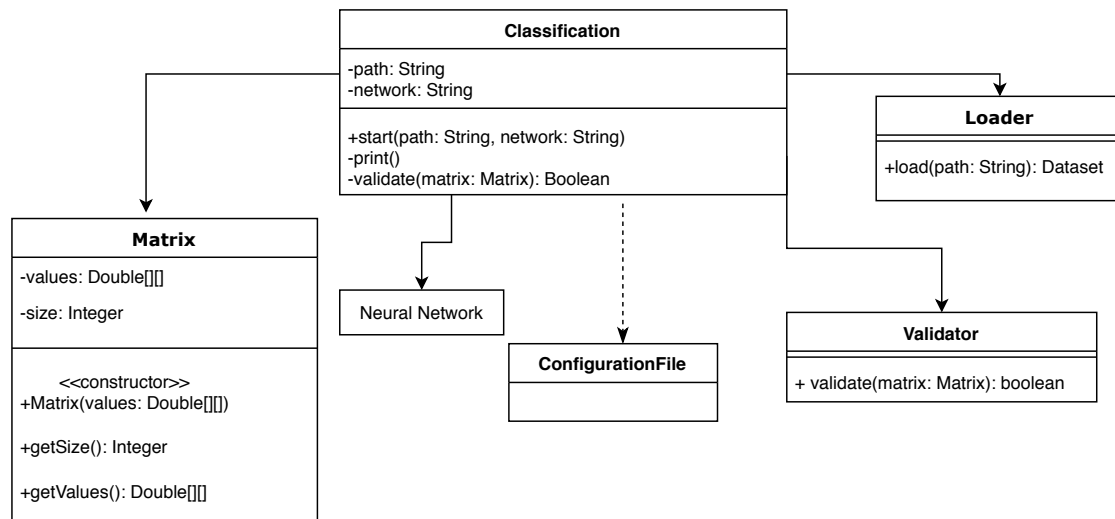
After that the neural network will be saved as a keras model. The path for the saving is specified in the configuration file or by the method `start`.



8 Classifier

8.1 Diagrams

8.2 Class Diagrams

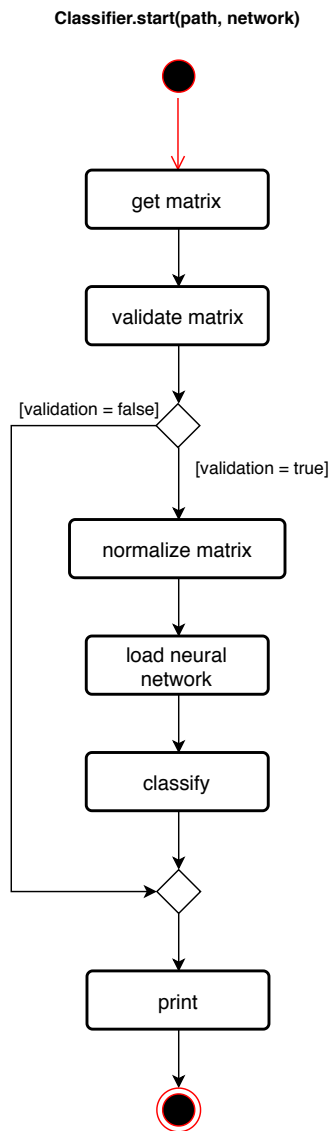


8.3 Class Descriptions

8.3.1 Class Classifier

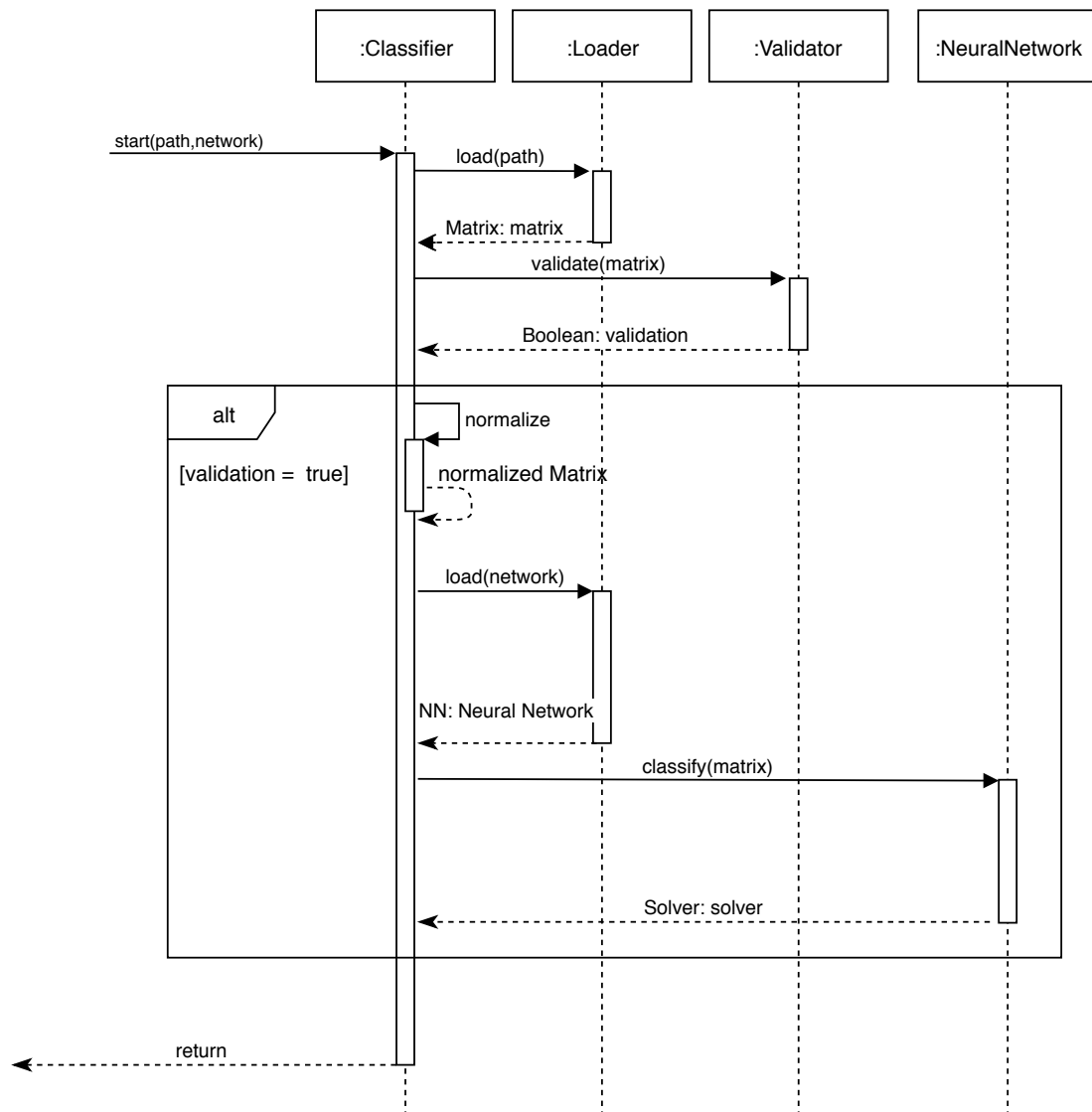
The classifier classifies a matrix given by a path. In this path, the matrix is stored in the form of an HDF5 file. As a second parameter the neural network path will be given. At this path the trained network the user wants to use for his classification is saved.

8.4 Activity Diagrams



The method start in the class classifier classifies a given Matrix. First of all the classifier has to get the matrix. After that the matrix has to be validated. This validation will give back a boolean, whether the matrix is regular (true) or not (false). If the validation is true (validation = true) the matrix will be normalized. After that the neural network will be loaded, with which in the following the matrix will be classified. In the last step a result will be printed whether it is the result of the classification or an exception, because the validation was returning false.

8.5 Sequence Diagrams



The method start has the input parameters "path" and "network". The first parameter "path" is the path to the HDF5 file in which the matrix is saved that is supposed to be classified. The second parameter "network" is the path to the neural network which will be used to classify the matrix. First of all the classifier will be calling the Loader to load the Matrix. The Loader will give back the matrix, that will be in the next step validated by the validator. The validator will give back a boolean value whether the matrix is regular (true) or not regular (false). If the validation value is true the classifier will normalize the matrix. After that the matrix is normalized and ready for classification by the neural network. In the next step, the loader will load the neural network located on the given network path and gives back the neural network to the classifier. Finishing that, the classifier can give the matrix to the neural network for classification and the neural network returns a solver with which the matrix is classified.

9 Classes used by multiple modules

9.1 Class Loader

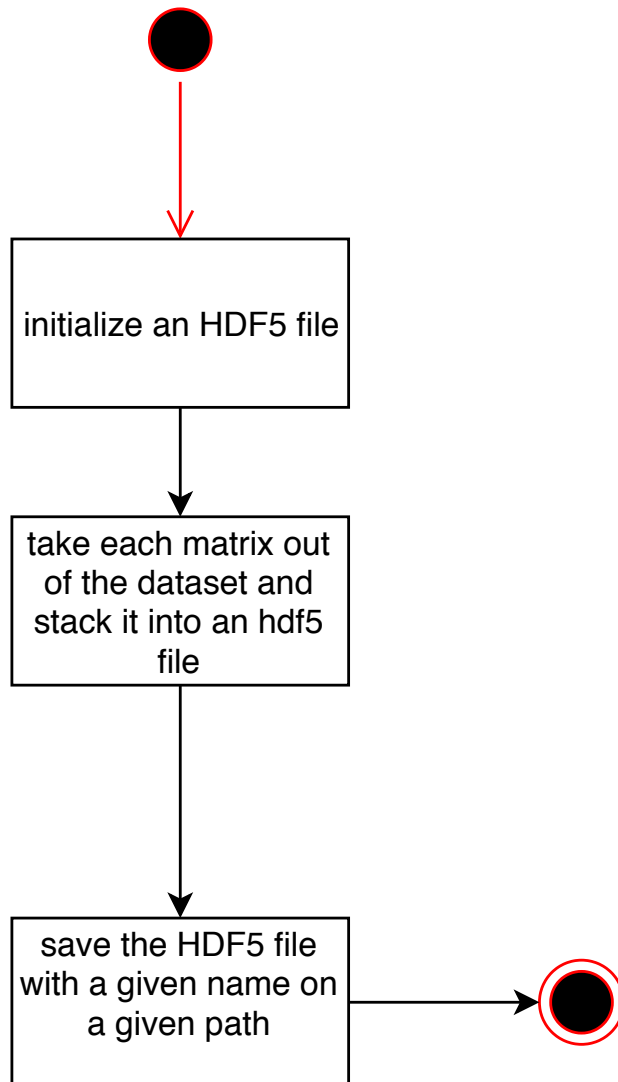
The Loader class is responsible for loading the HDF5 files into a format that can be used for further computations on the matrices. It can load single matrices and also a whole data set of many matrices.

9.2 Class Saver

The Saver class is just responsible for saving a given matrix dataset. Its only method is the public method `save(dataset: Dataset, name: String, path: String)`. The save method takes a matrix dataset, converts it into an HDF5 file and saves it into a given directory with a given name.

9.2.1 Activity Diagram

save(dataset, name, path)

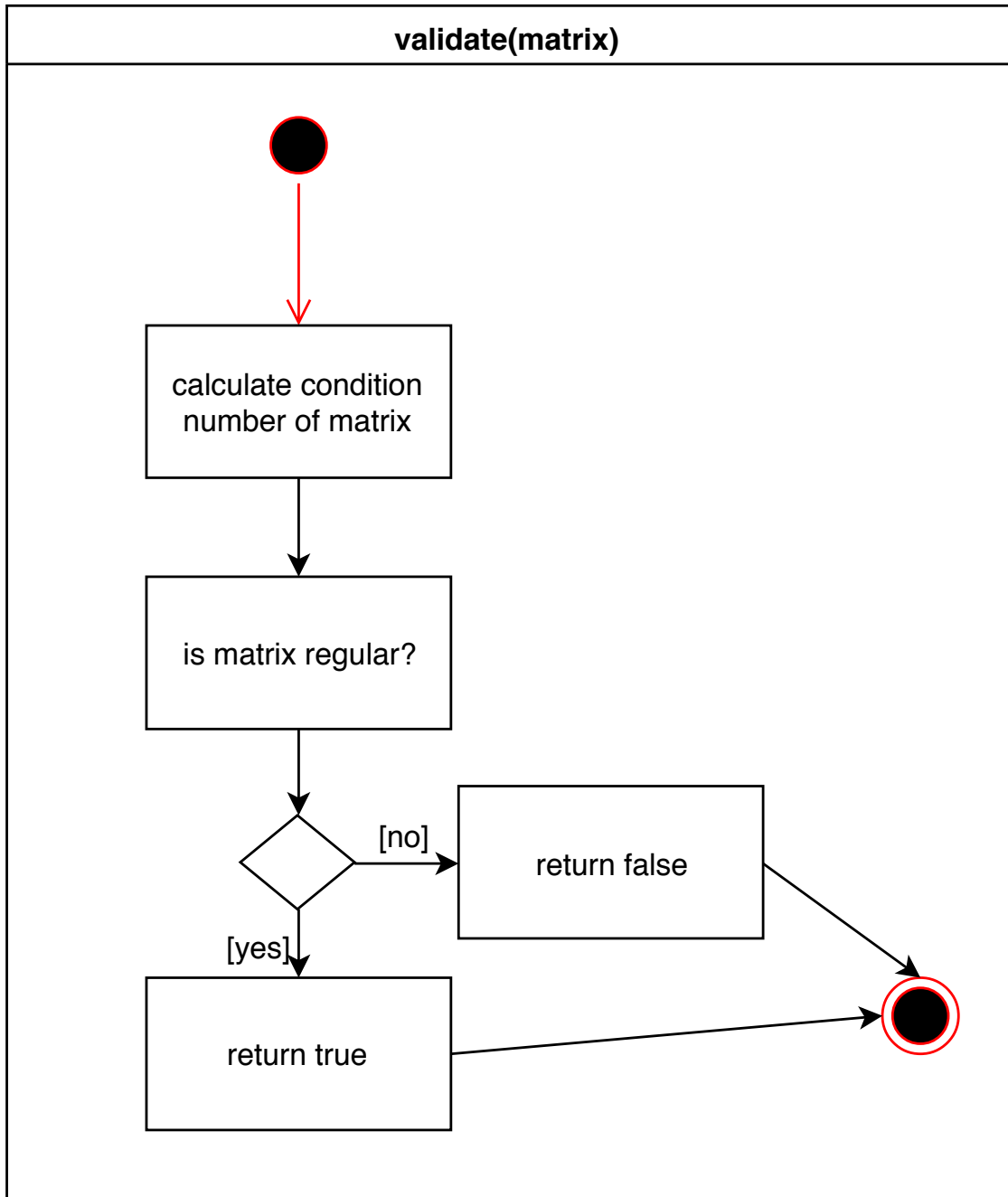


This activity diagram shows how a dataset is saved with a given name on a given path. First of all an HDF5 file is initialized. After that each matrix is taken out of the dataset and stacked into the initialized HDF5 file, then the HDF5 file is saved with the given name on the given path.

9.3 Class Validator

The Validator class is a util class and responsible for validating given matrices (checking for regularity). Its only static method `validate` takes a matrix and returns `true` for regular, and `false` for not regular.

9.3.1 Activity Diagram



This activity diagram shows how a given matrix is validated. First the condition number of the matrix is calculated, when the condition number implies regularity, true is returned. Otherwise false is returned.

9.4 Class Matrix

The Matrix class represents matrices, in particular two-dimensional floating number arrays. It is defined by two attributes. The first attribute is the matrix size which is an integer and the second attribute are the matrix values which is a two-dimensional double array. Both attributes are set with a constructor and can be requested by its getter methods.

10 Representational Constructs

There are some constructs that are not classes but used as an abstraction for better visualization.

10.1 Neural Network

The NeuralNetwork represents the neural network that will be created, trained and used for classification by the keras module.

10.2 Configuration File

The configuration file is a file that will be shipped together with our program. It holds the default values for every attribute that can have a default value. Modules that are not provided with specific attributes will be taking the default values out of this file. The user can also edit this file, to customize the program's default behavior.

11 Glossary

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command line interface The terminal box where the user can enter his commands for the interaction with the program.

default neural network The default neural network is the network we will be using if the user does not specify a different architecture. It will be a Convolutional neural network.

exception An exception is an failure that may occur in a programs life cycle due to unwanted user input or system behavior.

HDF5 HDF5 is a file format that can be used for storing and organizing big amounts of data like many big matrices.

iterative solver An iterative solver is a method for solving a linear system. An iterative solver uses an iterative approach to solve a matrix. An iterative approach is characterized by the idea that the matrix gets solved step by step, where the solution of one step enables the solution of the next step. An iterative solver may use a preconditioner to improve its results..

label A label is a word or a phrase that is used to describe the characteristics or qualities of something.

memento Memento is a design pattern which provides the ability to restore an object to its previous state. In our case the object is the neural network. After a certain amount of training steps we will save the state of the neural network. If the programm crashes at a certain point in time we will be able to reset the state of a neural network to a safed state. That way we will not loose much of our training achievements..

neural network The neural network itself is not an algorithm, but rather a framework for many different machine learning algorithm to work together and process complex data inputs. Such systems "learn" to perform tasks by considering examples, generally without being programmed with any task-specific rules .

preconditioner A preconditioner is a Transformation of a linear System. With certain preconditioners, certain iterative solvers may solve a linear system faster than with no preconditioner. The transformation of the preconditioner gets applied in each step of the iterative solver..

strategy strategy is a design pattern of the category behavioral design patterns. It defines a family of interchangeable algorithms. It furthermore enables the selection of an algorithm at runtime, so that the algorithm may vary independently of the clients that use them..

tupel A tuple is a structure of data, that holds more than one data, in contrast to other data structures that usually hold only one data..