Sheet 1

Architecture and classes

Library Management

The university's library needs a new library software (LibSoft) for managing books and rentals. You are a team of students and tasked to develop this software as part of a student project. Before starting coding, you will have to come up with the structure of LibSoft and a draft class diagram.

Exercise 1

You will need an architecture for planning your software development project and for fostering a modular design. Create an architecture diagram that encompasses at least the following modules:

- lender module: managing all users that can lend books from the library
- book inventory: a collection of all books that can be borrowed from the library
- rental management: functionality for lending and returning books
- administration console: any functionality requiored for administrating the library software

The architecture diagram needs to fulfill the following requirements:

- 1. A concise **description** is required for each module, explaining its purpose and functionality it encompasses.
- 2. Assign links (relationships) between modules where applicaple.
- 3. Don't forget to provide a **legend** explaining all symbols used in the diagram.

Exercise 2

After defining the overall structure of LibSoft by an architecture diagram, you now need to consider the classes for implementing the system. Create a UML class diagram as an initial draft for further design activities and, later on, developing the software.

The class diagram needs to include the following classes:

Title Representing bibliographical information on books

Copy an individual instance of a book that can be borrowed from the library

Rental representing the rental of a book copy for a specific lender and time

Lender a person renting a copy (of a book)

Reservation a lender wants to borrow a book that is currently borrowed by somebody else

Each class needs to consist of the following:

- 1. A concise **description** explaining the purpose of a class as well as the real world entity it is representing.
- 2. Classes need to provide attributes with type information. Some may have more, other less attributes. Your classes should have in **average three** attributes.
- 3. Any relevant association needs to be visible in the class diagram.
- 4. Provide methods where appropriate. No get- and set-methods are required!

Exercise 3

Each class from exercise 2 needs to be located within one module from exercise 1. Assign each

of your classes to the respective module in the arcitecture. You can use a table consisting of two columns having class names in the left column and the corresponding module names in the column on the right hand side.

Exercise 4

Create source code in an object-oriented programming language (e.g. Java or C++) based on your classes in the class diagram. Each class needs to be specified in program code including attributes and methods.

Expected Deliverables:

You are expected to submit a single PDF file containing your solution. It must contain the following diagrams:

- 1. Architecture diagram (UML or any other notation)
- 2. UML class diagram
- 3. Table assigning classes to modules

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