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## 1. Introduction

Weather applications have become an integral part of our daily lives, helping individuals plan their schedules, decide the activities, and be cautious about weather conditions. This project seeks to create a friendly, with some functionality and solutions by integrating Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) into a graphical user interface (GUI) implementation to deliver necessary, accurate, and up-to-date weather data to users.

## 2. Scope and Objectives

The project is aimed at these purposes:

- Utilizing object-oriented design to create a Weather system.
- Integration of a GUI as a component of the program
- Applying the Model-View-Controller (MVC) software design pattern for development, classification of the project
- Incorporating external libraries, such as OpenWeather, into the implementation
- Providing and ensuring the high-quality GUI adapts to Desktop screens by applying heuristic, principles of design guidelines based on human technology interaction topics.

## 3. Overall Architecture:

The application can follow the MVC architectural pattern, which is suitable for JavaFX applications. This pattern helps maintain the separation of concerns and makes your application more maintainable.

## 4. GUI Implementation

### 4.1. Packages:

The project's packages will be divided into four parts, which will support us in minimizing the unnecessary teamworking Git workflow conflicts, and helpful for us to divide the tasks in the future.

The packages will be separated based on each window, which can be demonstrated in Figure 1.

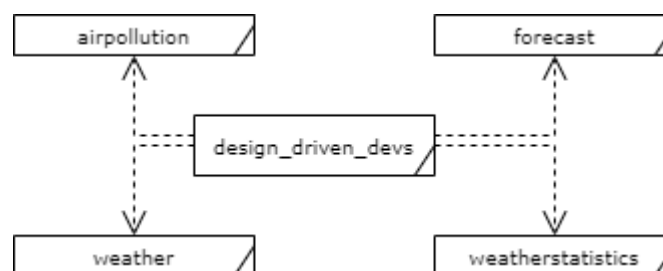


Figure 1. Packages demonstration of the Project

## 4.2. Selection Screen

Since this is the first stage of the project, I would like to implement the screen with the necessary components and rough designs. Therefore, the GUI layout can be presented in Figure 2, and the UML diagram for the necessary classes can be illustrated in Figure 3

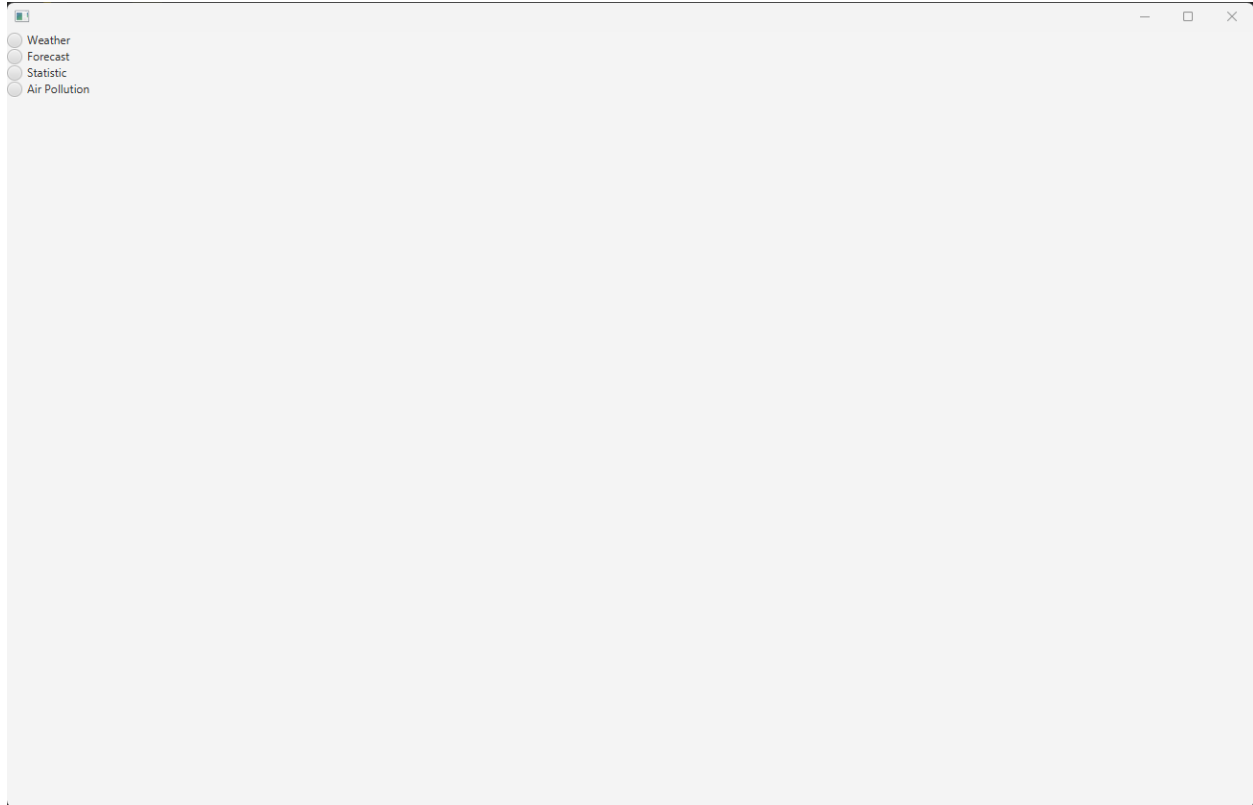


Figure 2: GUI layout for the first screen

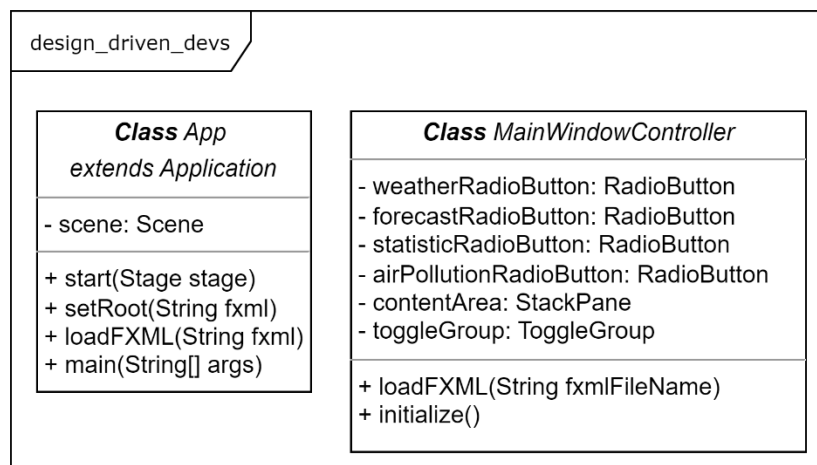


Figure 3: UML diagram for the selection screen

As observed in Figure 2, the screen would have the necessary components to select and switch between different classes, an illustration of when we choose “Weather” as the selection can be demonstrated in Figure 4

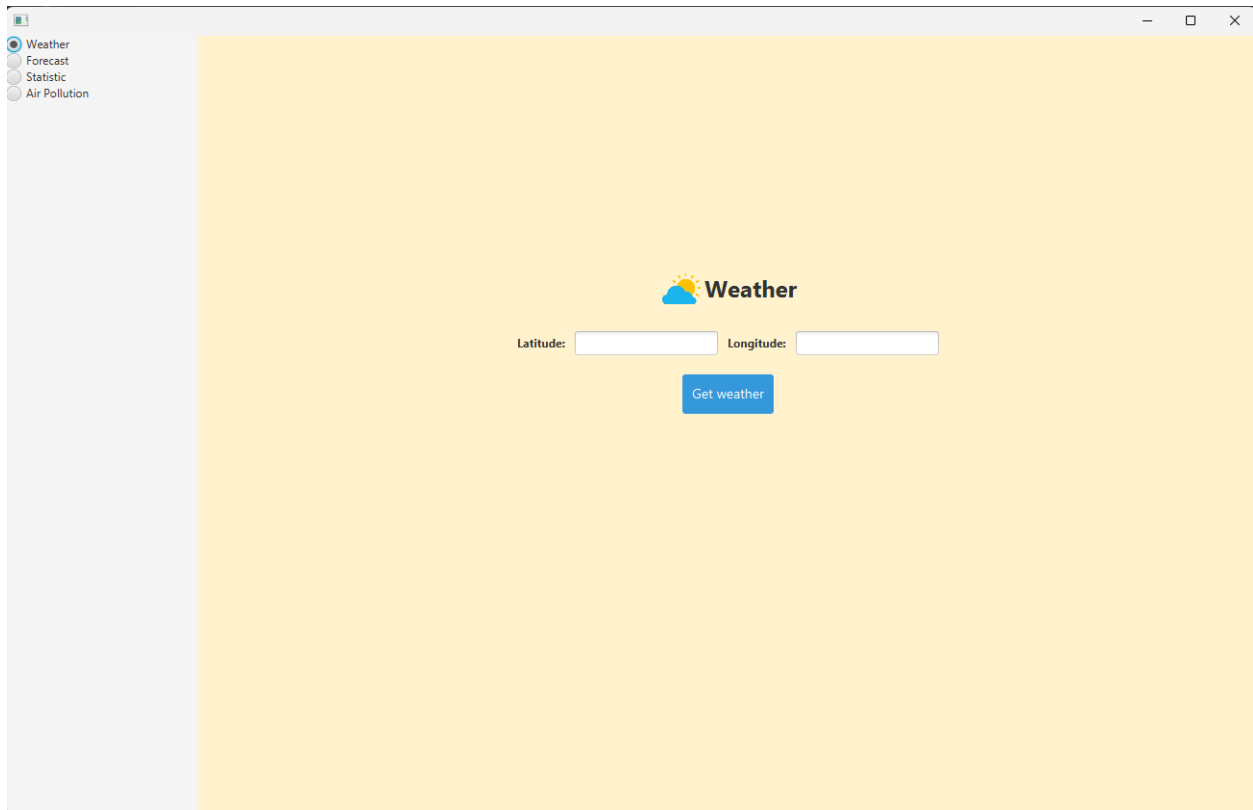


Figure 4: GUI layout for the first screen when choosing an option

### 4.3. First Screen:

We would choose to apply OpenWeather API for this screen to demonstrate the up-to-date weather data.

#### Components:

- View: JavaFX UI with latitude and longitude input fields, a "Fetch" button, and a display area for weather data.
- Controller: Handles user input, communicates with the API, and updates the view.
- Model: Represents weather data received from the API.

To demonstrate our idea, we would use a UML diagram, as in Figure 5. Moreover, discussing further development, we would like to apply one more API for generating the map for extracting the latitude and longitude. And integrating with OpenStreetMap could be a good choice for us. It will be implemented in the next phase.

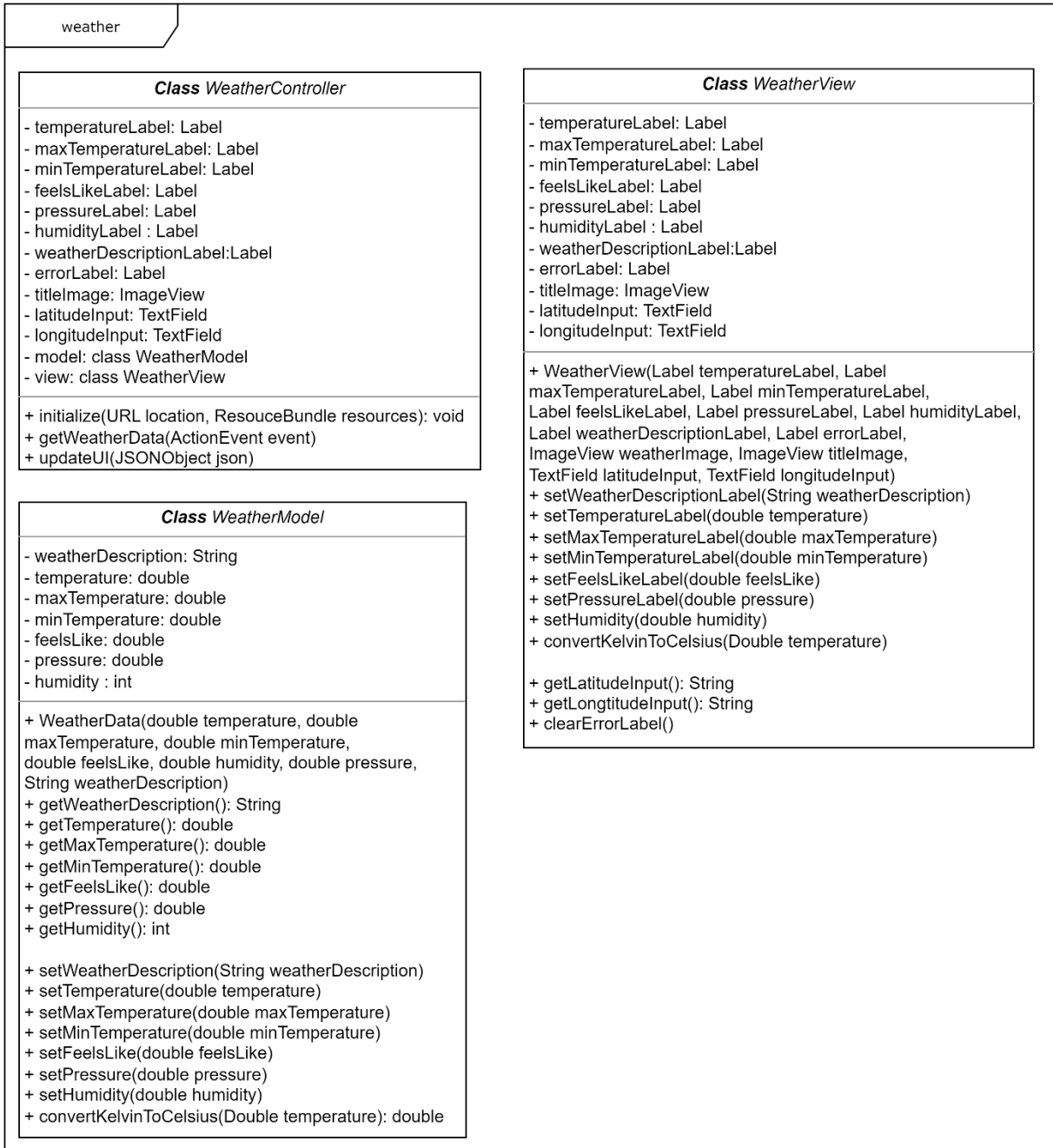


Figure 5. UML presentation for the First Screen necessary components

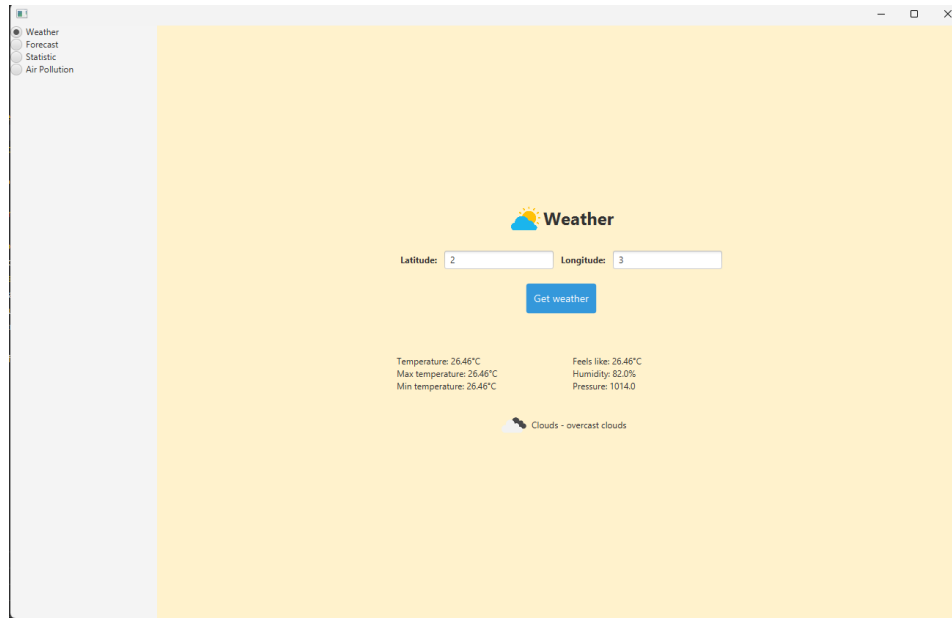


Figure 6: GUI layout for the first screen when fetching the data

#### 4.4. Second Screen:

##### API Links:

- <https://openweathermap.org/api/hourly-forecast>
- <https://openweathermap.org/forecast16>
- <https://openweathermap.org/api/geocoding-api>

##### Components:

- View: JavaFX UI with options to select either hourly or daily forecast, a list view to display forecast data.
- Controller: Handles user input, communicates with the API, and updates the view.
- Model: Represents forecast data received from the API.

Since we have not implemented the functionalities of this screen, we would use the sketch and the UML diagram to demonstrate our idea precisely

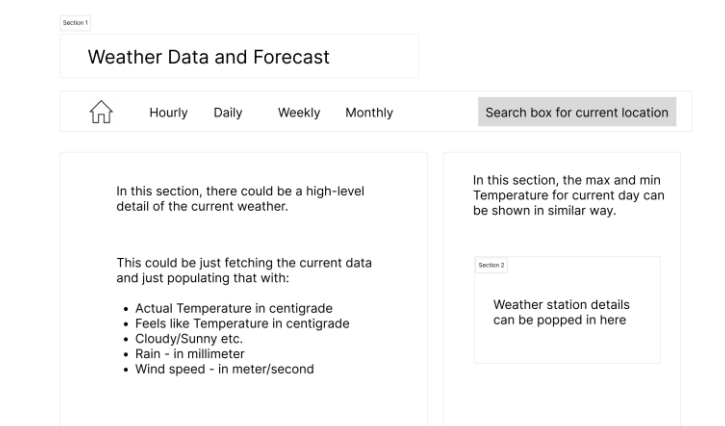


Figure 7. Sketching of the second screen



Figure 8: UML representation (planning phase) related to the second screen



## 4.5. Third Screen:

**API Link:** <https://openweathermap.org/api/air-pollution>

**Components:**

- View: JavaFX UI with latitude and longitude input fields and a display area for air pollution data.
- Controller: Handles user input, communicates with the API, and updates the view.
- Model: Represents air pollution data received from the API.

We would use the sketch and the UML diagram to demonstrate our idea precisely

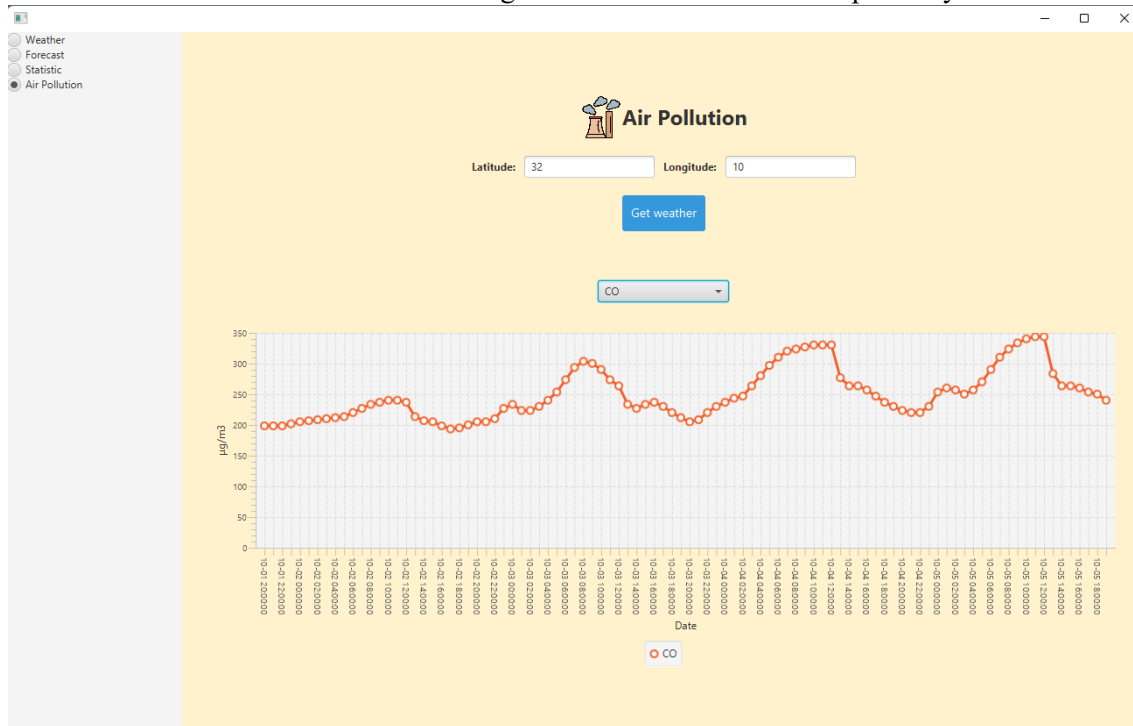


Figure 9. Sketching of the third screen

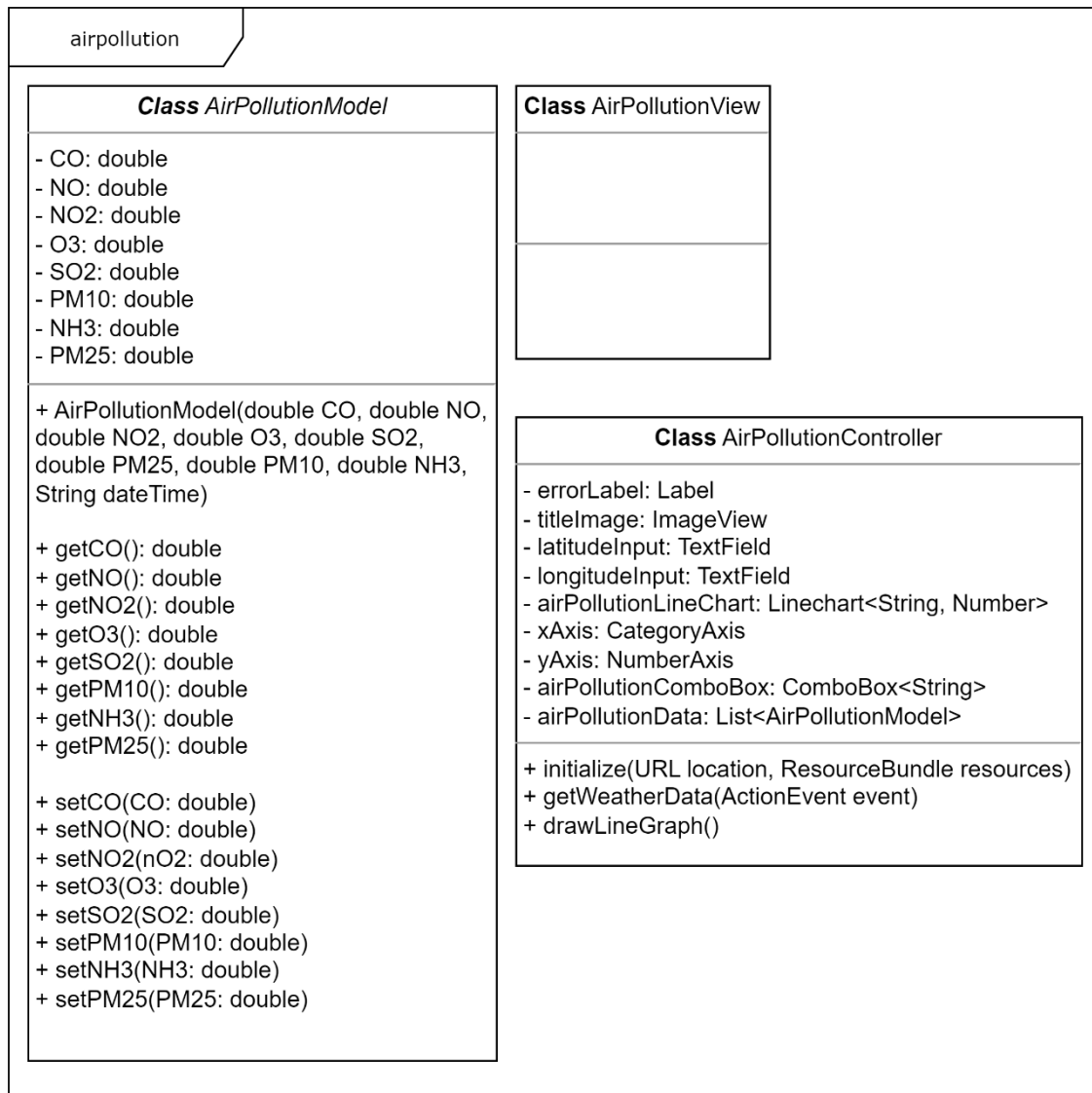


Figure 10: UML representation (planning phase) related to the third screen

#### 4.6. Fourth Screen:

**API Link:** <https://openweathermap.org/api/statistics-api>

**Components:**

- View: JavaFX UI with options to select the day and month, a display area for statistical weather data.
- Controller: Handles user input, communicates with the API, and updates the view.
- Model: Represents statistical weather data received from the API.

Since we have not implemented the functionalities of this screen, we would use the sketch and the UML diagram to demonstrate our idea precisely.

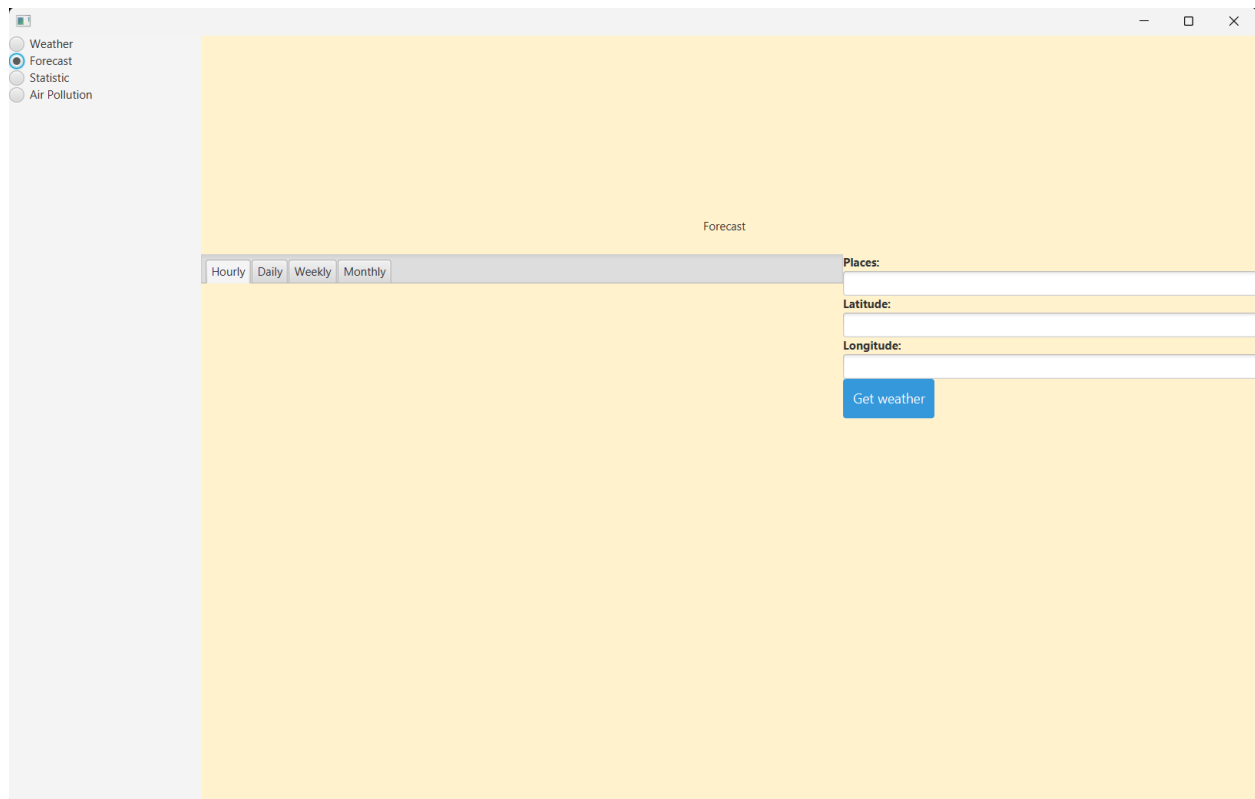


Figure 11. Sketching of the fourth screen

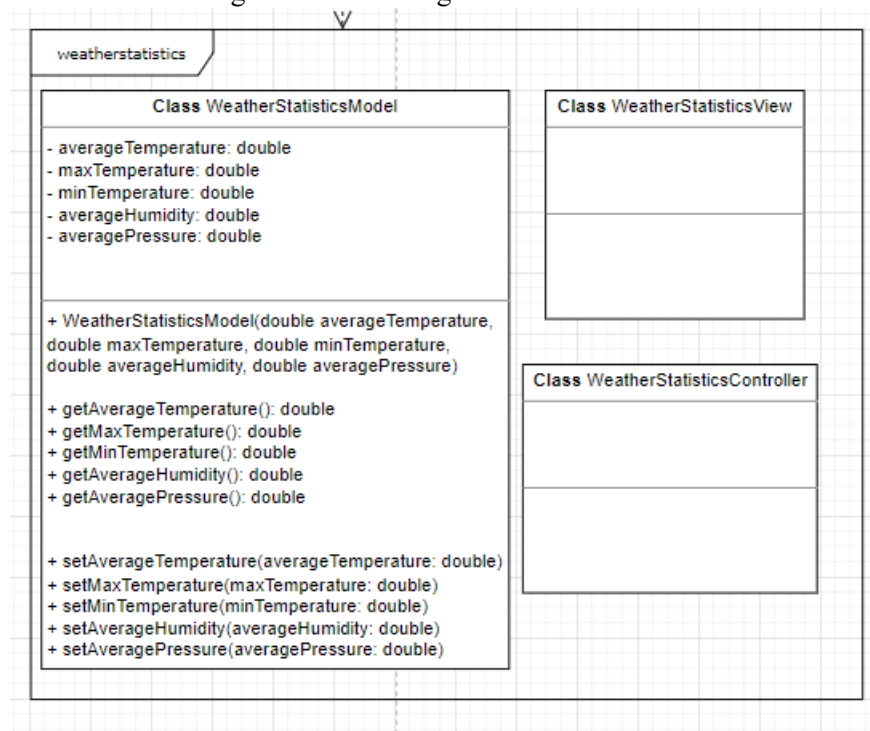


Figure 12. UML representation (planning phase) related to the fourth screen

## 5. API Integration and Usage

Discussing API Integration, we would create separate classes that implement the data provider. These classes will interact with the OpenWeatherAPI, and OpenStreetMap and return the data required in each screen. Furthermore, we would like to apply the interaction between these two APIs, which can be supported for the missing deficiency of each APIs and demonstrate the convenience we would like to bring for the users.

Discussing the usage of the API, we would demonstrate the main idea for each screen as follows:

- For the First Screen, you will use the "Current Weather Data" API to fetch current weather data based on latitude and longitude. Moreover, we would use the "Map" API to represent to coordinates precisely.
- For the Second Screen, you will use either the "Hourly Forecast 4 days" or "Daily Forecast 16 days" API, depending on the user's choice. Therefore, based on the forecast, we could use it to demonstrate the graphs as a function of a range of times.
- For the Third Screen, you will use the "Air Pollution" API to fetch air pollution data based on latitude and longitude. Moreover, we would demonstrate the air pollution on the map according to the coordinates.
- For the Fourth Screen, you will use the "Statistical Weather Data" API to fetch statistical weather data for specific days and months.

## 6. Design Patterns:

We would consider using the following design patterns:

- Singleton Pattern: Implement singletons for data provider classes to ensure only one instance exists.
- Factory Pattern: Create a factory to generate instances of data provider classes based on user input (e.g., forecast type).
- Observer Pattern: Use this pattern for communication between controllers and views to update the UI when data is fetched.