Introduction

A command-line-based personal information manager (PIM) is needed for an individual's notetaking, contact management, and event scheduling. The given functionality provides a more convenient methodology for our users to administer their routine activities.

Glossary

<u>Terminology</u>	<u>Definition</u>
Personal Information Record (PIR)	A standardized record in the project.
PIM File	A file which contains a PIR. It has the
	extension ".pim" which can be only read
	and write by the software.
Note	A subtype of PIR. The classification code
	is "N".
Task	A subtype of PIR. The classification code
	is "T".
Event	A subtype of PIR. The classification code
	is "E".
Contact	A subtype of PIR. The classification code
	is "C".

User requirements definition

Requirement engineering is performed based on the given user stories. The following concludes the desired services:

- 1. The system shall store 4 types of personal information records (PIRs), including:
 - a. Notes
 - b. Tasks
 - c. Events
 - d. Contacts
- 2. The input value for each note creation shall include plain text only.
- 3. The input value for each task creation shall include a description, and a deadline.
- 4. The input value for each event creation shall include a description, a starting time, and an alarm time.
- 5. The input value for each contact creation shall include a name, an address, and a phone number.
- 6. The system shall support modification to an existing PIR.
- 7. The system shall search for a note by checking whether the content contains a string. (Negation on each criteria is possible.)
- 8. The system shall search for a task by checking whether the description contains a string, or/and whether the deadline is before, after, or equal to another given point in time. (Negation on each criteria is possible.)
- 9. The system shall search for an event by checking whether the description contains a string, or/and whether the start time or/and alarm is before, after, or equal to another given point in time. (Negation on each criteria is possible.)
- 10. The system shall search for a contact by checking whether the name, address, or/and a mobile number contains a string. (Negation on each criteria is

possible.)

- 11. The system shall print out the information for one specify PIR or all PIRs recorded.
- 12. The system shall support deletion on a specified PIR.
- 13. The system shall write PIRs, with a customized file extension name ".pim", to file repository
- 14. The system shall read files with the extension name ".pim" from the file repository

System architecture

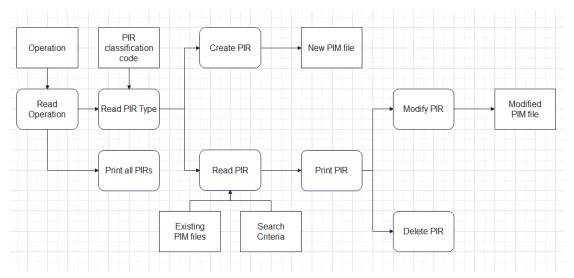


Diagram 1: Pipe and Filter Architecture Design of PIM

The pipe-and-filter architecture is chosen as the major design of PIM. Choosing the architecture consists of few factors:

- Commonly used within a transaction-based data processing software, like the PIM.
- Easy to understand among the developers.
- Requested user interactions are limited.

System Requirement Specifications

1. Create Note

Function: createNote()

Description: Creates a new note.

Input: Plain text for the note content.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForNote ArrayList.

Action: Adds a new note to ArrForNote.

Requires: A string of plain text.

Precondition: The input is a string of plain text.

Postcondition: A new note is added to ArrForNote.

Side Effect: ArrForNote is modified.

2. Create Task

Function: createTask()

Description: Creates a new task.

Input: A description and a deadline for the task.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForTask ArrayList.

Action: Adds a new task to ArrForTask.

Requires: A string for the description and a date for the deadline.

Precondition: The input includes a string for the description and a valid date for

the deadline.

Postcondition: A new task is added to ArrForTask.

Side Effect: ArrForTask is modified.

3. Create Event

Function: createEvent()

Description: Creates a new event.

Input: A description, a starting time, and an alarm time for the event.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForEvent ArrayList.

Action: Adds a new event to ArrForEvent.

Requires: A string for the description, and dates for the starting time and

alarm time.

Precondition: The input includes a string for the description and valid dates for

the starting time and alarm time.

Postcondition: A new event is added to ArrForEvent.

Side Effect: ArrForEvent is modified.

4. Create Contact

Function: createContact()

Description: Creates a new contact.

Input: A name, an address, and a phone number for the contact.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForContact ArrayList.

Action: Adds a new contact to ArrForContact.

Requires: Strings for the name, address, and phone number.

Precondition: The input includes strings for the name, address, and phone

number.

Postcondition: A new contact is added to ArrForContact.

Side Effect: ArrForContact is modified.

5. Search Interface

Function: searchInterface()

Description: Provides an interface for searching PIRs.

Input: User's choice of PIR type to search and search criteria.

Source: User input.

Destination: SearchService methods.

Action: Calls the appropriate SearchService method based on the user's

choice.

Requires: A valid choice of PIR type and valid search criteria.

Precondition: The user provides a valid choice of PIR type and valid search

criteria.

Postcondition: The appropriate SearchService method is called and the search

results are processed.

Side Effect: None.

6. Print All Interface

Function: printAllInterface()

Description: Prints out the information for all recorded PIRs into a .pim file.

Input: Filename for the output file.

Source: User input.

Destination: Output file in the file repository.

Action: Writes all PIRs to the output file.

Requires: A valid filename.

Precondition: The user provides a valid filename.

Postcondition: All PIRs are written to the output file.

Side Effect: A new file is created in the file repository.

7. Make Directory

Function: makeDir()

Description: Creates a directory for the file repository if it doesn't already

exist.

Input: None. Source: None.

Destination: File system.

Action: Creates a new directory.

Requires: None.

Precondition: The directory does not already exist.

Postcondition: The directory is created.

Side Effect: A new directory is created in the file system.

8. Reset

Function: reset()

Description: Clears all PIRs.

Input: None. Source: None.

Destination: ArrForNote, ArrForTask, ArrForEvent, ArrForContact.

Action: Clears all PIRs from ArrForNote, ArrForTask, ArrForEvent,

ArrForContact.

Requires: None. Precondition: None.

Postcondition: ArrForNote, ArrForTask, ArrForEvent, ArrForContact are empty.

Side Effect: ArrForNote, ArrForTask, ArrForEvent, ArrForContact are modified.

9. Search Note

Function: searchNote()

Description: Searches for a note by checking whether the content contains a

string.

Input: A string to search for in the note content.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForNote ArrayList.

Action: Searches ArrForNote for notes whose content contains the input

string.

Requires: A string to search for. Precondition: The input is a string.

Postcondition: Returns an ArrayList of notes whose content contains the input

string.

Side Effect: None.

10. Search Task

Function: searchTask()

Description: Searches for a task by checking whether the description contains

a string, or/and whether the deadline is before, after, or equal to

another given point in time.

Input: A string to search for in the task description and/or a date to

compare with the task deadline.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForTask ArrayList.

Action: Searches ArrForTask for tasks that match the input criteria.

Requires: A string to search for and/or a date to compare with the task

deadline.

Precondition: The input includes a string and/or a valid date.

Postcondition: Returns an ArrayList of tasks that match the input criteria.

Side Effect: None.

11. Search Event

Function: searchEvent()

Description: Searches for an event by checking whether the description

contains a string, or/and whether the start time or/and alarm is

before, after, or equal to another given point in time.

Input: A string to search for in the event description and/or dates to

compare with the event start time and alarm.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForEvent ArrayList.

Action: Searches ArrForEvent for events that match the input criteria.

Requires: A string to search for and/or dates to compare with the event

start time and alarm.

Precondition: The input includes a string and/or valid dates.

Postcondition: Returns an ArrayList of events that match the input criteria.

Side Effect: None.

12. Search Contact

Function: searchContact()

Description: Searches for a contact by checking whether the name, address,

or/and a mobile number contains a string.

Input: A string to search for in the contact name, address, and/or

mobile number.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForContact ArrayList.

Action: Searches ArrForContact for contacts that match the input criteria.

Requires: A string to search for. Precondition: The input is a string.

Postcondition: Returns an ArrayList of contacts that match the input criteria.

Side Effect: None.

13. Process Note Search Results

Function: processNoteSearchResults()

Description: Modifies or deletes the results of a note search.

Input: An ArrayList of notes that match the search criteria.

Source: searchNote() method in SearchService class.

Destination: User interface.

Action: Displays the search results to the user and allows the user to

modify the selected note.

Requires: An ArrayList of notes.

Precondition: The input is an ArrayList of notes.

Postcondition: The search results are displayed to the user and the selected

note is modified as per user's choice.

Side Effect: The selected note in ArrForNote may be modified or deleted.

14. Process Task Search Results

Function: processTaskSearchResults()

Description: Modifies or deletes the results of a task search.

Input: An ArrayList of tasks that match the search criteria.

Source: searchTask() method in SearchService class.

Destination: User interface.

Action: Displays the search results to the user and allows the user to

modify the selected task.

Requires: An ArrayList of tasks.

Precondition: The input is an ArrayList of tasks.

Postcondition: The search results are displayed to the user and the selected task

is modified as per user's choice.

Side Effect: The selected task in ArrForTask may be modified or deleted.

15. Process Event Search Results

Function: processEventSearchResults()

Description: Modifies or deletes the results of an event search.

Input: An ArrayList of events that match the search criteria.

Source: searchEvent() method in SearchService class.

Destination: User interface.

Action: Displays the search results to the user and allows the user to

modify the selected event.

Requires: An ArrayList of events.

Precondition: The input is an ArrayList of events.

Postcondition: The search results are displayed to the user and the selected

event is modified as per user's choice.

Side Effect: The selected event in ArrForEvent may be modified or deleted.

16. Process Contact Search Results

Function: processContactSearchResults()

Description: Modifies or deletes the results of a contact search.

Input: An ArrayList of contacts that match the search criteria.

Source: searchContact() method in SearchService class.

Destination: User interface.

Action: Displays the search results to the user and allows the user to

modify the selected contact.

Requires: An ArrayList of contacts.

Precondition: The input is an ArrayList of contacts.

Postcondition: The search results are displayed to the user and the selected

contact is modified as per user's choice.

Side Effect: The selected contact in ArrForContact may be modified or

deleted.

17. Import File

Function: importFile()

Description: Imports PIRs from a .pim file.

Input: The name of the .pim file.

Source: User input.

Destination: ArrForNote, ArrForTask, ArrForEvent, ArrForContact ArrayLists.

Action: Reads the .pim file and adds the PIRs to the appropriate

ArrayLists.

Requires: The name of a .pim file.

Precondition: The .pim file exists in the file repository.

Postcondition: The PIRs from the .pim file are added to the appropriate

ArrayLists.

Side Effect: ArrForNote, ArrForTask, ArrForEvent, ArrForContact are modified.

18. Error Handling

Function: Various functions.

Description: Handles errors and exceptions that occur during system

operation.

Input: Errors or exceptions.
Source: Various functions.

Destination: System logs or user interface.

Action: Catches errors or exceptions, logs them, and displays appropriate

error messages to the user.

Requires: Errors or exceptions.

Precondition: An error or exception occurs.

Postcondition: The error or exception is handled.

Side Effect: System operation may be affected.