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Software Design
Introduction

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Course Charter: PA1415

Efter genomförd kurs skall studenten:

- på en grundläggande nivå i grupp kunna ta fram krav på en programvara och uttrycka dem i en kravspecifikation
- i grupp producera en översiktlig utvecklingsprojektplan baserat på en kravspecifikation
- i grupp kunna skapa en detaljerad objektorienterad design för ett mjukvaruprogram
- i grupp kunna implementera ett mjukvaruprogram inom rimlig tid, baserat på en kravspecifikation och en objektorienterad design
- på en grundläggande nivå i grupp kunna planera och genomföra testning av producerad programvara, baserat på en kravspecifikation
- skapa och analysera objektorienterade artefakter uttryckta i UML
- kunna motivera och använda designmönster i utvecklingen av mjukvarusystem

Course Charter: PA1435

Kunskap och förståelse Efter genomförd kurs ska studenten:

- kunna visa förståelse för grundläggande principer i objektorienterad programvaruutveckling.
- kunna visa förståelse för UML som modelleringsspråk.
- kunna visa kunskap om grundläggande designprinciper.
- kunna visa kunskap om grundläggande designmönster.

Färdigheter och förmåga Efter genomförd kurs ska studenten:

- kunna uttrycka strukturen och beteendet hos ett system i termer av objektorienterade koncept.
- kunna korrekt använda UML för att uttrycka struktur och beteende hos ett system.
- kunna korrekt transformera en objektorienterad design till källkod.
- kunna tillämpa designprinciper och designmönster i allmänhet och inom en särskild domän.

Värderingsförmåga och förhållningssätt Efter genomförd kurs ska studenten:

- kunna analysera källkod för eventuella förbättringar.
- kunna analysera och kritiskt diskutera en design för eventuella förbättringar.

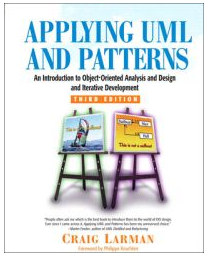
Course Structure

Already covered by @LKU, but:

- Lectures
- Assignments
  - Startup Seminars
  - Work/Submission
  - Feedback Meetings
    - For first Assignment, there is also a midway discussion meeting

See course homepage on It's for deadlines etc.

Literature



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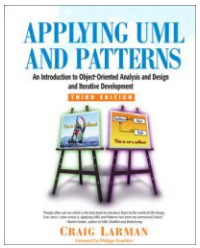

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- R. Nystrom, *Game Programming Patterns*, Genever Benning, 2014.
- Also Available at: `http://gameprogrammingpatterns.com/contents.html`

Tools

Any UML Tool will work, except pen and paper.

- `http://staruml.io/`
- `https://www.visual-paradigm.com/`
- `http://www.eclipse.org/papyrus/`
- `http://argouml.tigris.org/`
- `https://marketplace.eclipse.org/content/uml-designer`
- `...`

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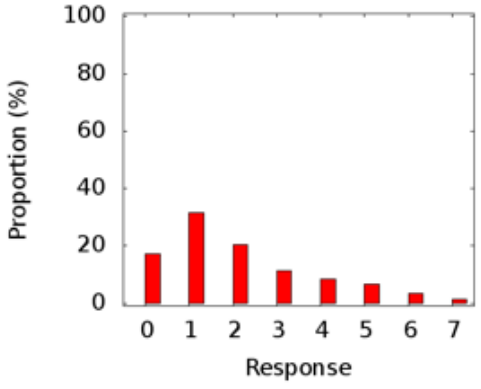

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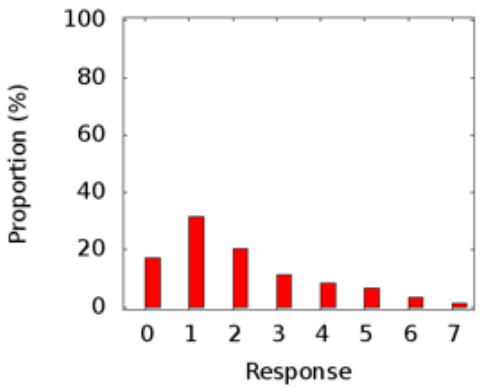

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- In the freetext answers a different story emerges:
  - They do use sketches, informal models, casual diagrams, etc, but not formal UML.
- Common explanations:
  - “Only for very complex designs, sometimes”
  - “Only use initially then start coding (diagrams not kept/updated)"
  - “Enables visualisation of the big picture/high level”
  - “Other types of models but not UML”
  - “Use models to communicate and coordinate with other developers”
- ∑ Models are not used as researchers expect. Instead they are used for conceptual analysis and exploration, problem solving, visualisation, and communication.

So, why bother?

- conceptual analysis and exploration
- problem solving
- visualisation
- communication

Also:

- This course trains you in a particular mindset, where you begin to analyse a problem in terms of its *objects* and their *interactions*.
  - This problem solving mindset is difficult to reach when bogged down with all the implementation details.
- This is the only place where you are expected to use an all-out thermonuclear UML approach to analysis and design.
  - Later on, you will cherry-pick models in order to understand/visualise/communicate a particular problem area better.
- Bear in mind that you throw out a few good things with the bath water too.

Development Phases

- Requirements
  - Problem formulation
  - Quality constraints of the system
  - Planning and estimations
- Analysis / Domain Analysis
  - Real World abstractions, mechanisms, relationships
- Design
  - Convert domain analysis into a technical solution
  - design patterns etc.
- Implementation
  - “Execution” of the design
- Testing
- Maintenance

Object Oriented Analysis and Design

- Object Orientation
  - Objects
  - Attributes
  - Relationships
  - Collaborations
  - Responsibilities
- OO Analysis
  - Problem domain and requirements
  - *Objects* in the problem domain
- OO Design
  - Logical Software Objects (with attributes and methods, plus collaborations)
- OO Construction/Implementation

OO Modelling

- A traceable chain from requirements to code/test.
  - Each model is transformed to a [more detailed] model that is closer to the end-product.
  - Do this fully, and you have *Model-Driven Development*
  - The overall idea is that
    - models are cheaper than code.
    - models are abstractions of code.
    - models are more rigorous than code :barf.png:
  - UML is *one* set of models.
  - RUP is the process used to transform the system through the UML graphs from requirements to code.

RUP/UML

- Rational Unified Process
- Unified Modelling Language

Process:

1. Use Case Diagrams / Use Cases
2. Conceptual Models / Domain Models
3. System Sequence Diagram
4. Class Diagrams
5. Sequence Diagrams / Interaction Diagrams
6. Goto (4)

Design Patterns

- Design patterns are reusable solutions to known problems
  - With known consequences
- There is nothing that *requires* you to use design patterns; they are a convenience.
- Design patterns focus primarily on structure (class view), and interaction (sequence diagrams).
  - Thus, we will come back to them later in the course.

Excercise

Discussion Forum

Design a Conceptual Model of a Discussion forum with categories, topics, posts, users, user profiles, and private messages. The system consists of a server park (including the database), a web client, and an android client.