Distributed Systems -SMARTKITCHEN

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## Background

The SmartKitchen application has been created in order to allow users to interact with a collection of kitchen appliances within the home. A user can carry out various tasks such as powering devices on/off in addition to several other status options.

SmartKitchen allows our team to demonstrate our ability to apply the knowledge we have gained in relation to designing and building distributed systems.

## Objectives

### Project Problem

The task we set out to solve required our group to create a collection of protocols/messages that build a reference implementation of devices, in an environment such as a SmartKitchen/Home. We were required to create 4 or more services. The issue with this task if effectively determining what type of services to incorporate and the various features each should have available to them. We needed to ensure that each feature made sense for that particular service to incorporate. For instance, it wouldn’t make sense for a coffeemaker service to implement the same temperature setting functionality as our oven service.

In addition to the key features detailed above; we were also asked to create a GUI that would allow a non-technical user to interact with the SmartKitchen application and its services.

### Project Solution

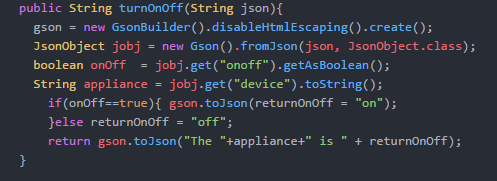
To effectively solve the problem detailed above we created a SmartKitchen application with 4 services. (talk about the oven, coffeemaker, microwave, fridge)

We ran into difficulty with the creation of a GUI using the NetBeans IDE, however after much discuss on we determined that the best way to proceed would be the implementation of the GUI through the use of Jpanels executed through the command line.

## Implementation

The SmartKitchen application contains 4 key methods within the KitchenServant.java file.

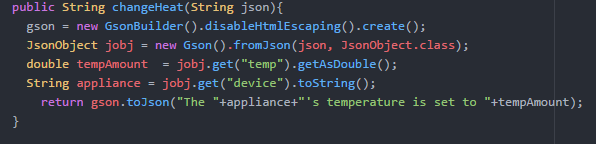
The first Method is our method to turn on/off the 4 services controlled by the SmartKitchen application.



Figure

The method contained in figure 1 takes the users chosen action (either on or off) for the chosen appliance and returns the value in Json format where it is displayed by the applications interface.

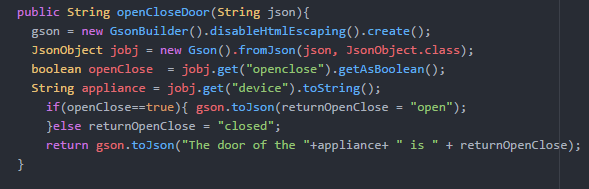
The next method is a method that allows the user to alter the temperature of any appliance that this method would apply to (oven & microwave).



Figure

Firgure 2 depicts the changeheatMethod. This method allows the users to pass a chosen heat from the user interface which is then set as the new temperature and the temperature once se tis returned in Json format to be displayed by the user interface.

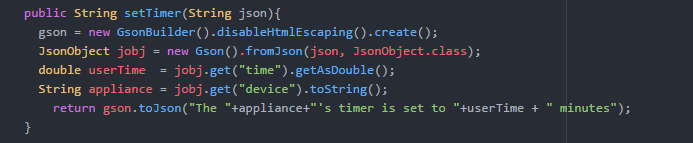
The next key method that is implemented in the SmartKitchen application is the open/close door method. This method allows for the oven, refrigerator and microwave to be opened and closed through the use of the user interface.



Figure

The method shown in figure 3 allows for Json input to be passed to the method, which then controls the status of the appliances and returns to the user whether they have opened or closed the door by returning a response in Json format to the user interface.

The 4th key method that allows the SmartKitchen system to interact with the appliances is the setTimer method. This method allows interaction between the system and both the coffeemaker, and microwave.



Figure

This method takes the time to be set from the user input and changes the status of the chosen appliance. The status is then returned in Json format to the user interface.

## Screenshots

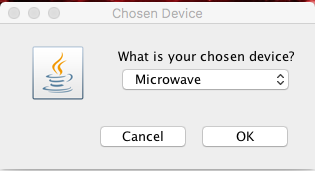


Figure - Selecting a device to interact with.

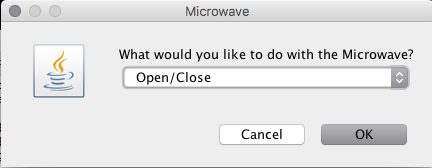


Figure – Users are presented with a choice of activities for the chosen device.

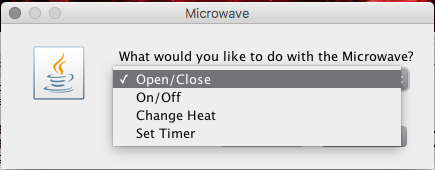


Figure -Selecting an interaction for the device

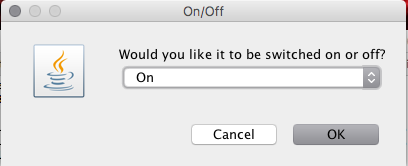


Figure - Finalising the chosen action for a device.

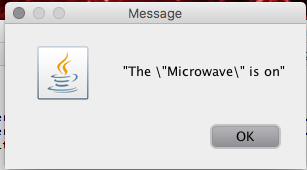


Figure - Message confirming the chosen activity has been carried out

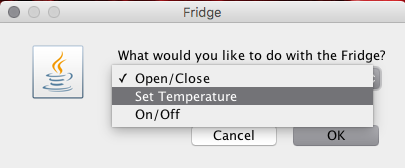


Figure - Activities for the Fridge

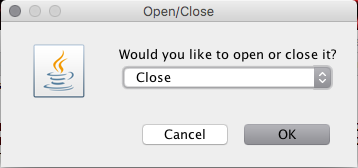


Figure - Choosing to close the fridge

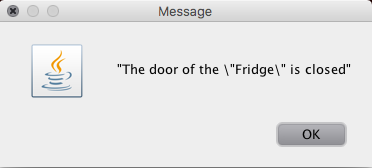


Figure - Fridge status confirmation

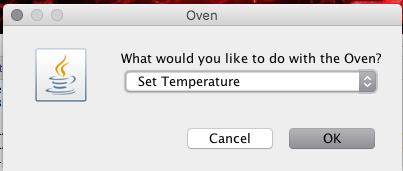


Figure - Selecting Set Temperature for the oven

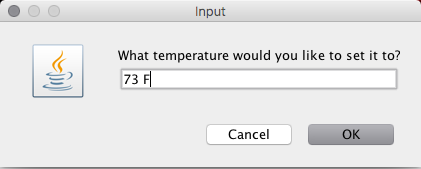


Figure -Setting the oven Temp to 73 degrees

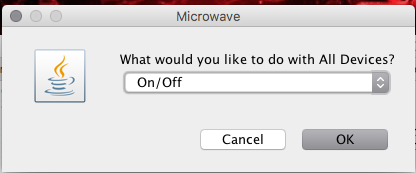


Figure - Choosing an activity to apply to all 4 devices

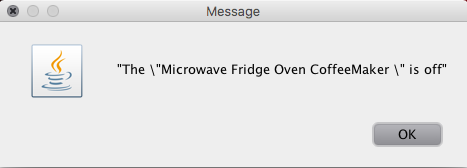


Figure - Confirmation that all appliances were turned off

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