Comprehensive Report for Task 4

This report provides an overview of the classes implemented for Task 4, focusing on managing an AccountingFirm and handling invoices. The report discusses the AccountingFirm class, its integration with the LegalEntity interface, and usage demonstrated in the FirmTester class.

Classes

AccountingFirm Class

• Purpose:

Manages information related to an accounting firm, including its address, VAT number, and a list of invoice numbers.

• Functionality:

Implements the LegalEntity interface, providing methods to retrieve the firm's address and VAT number.

Allows adding (addInvoice) and deleting (deleteInvoice) invoice numbers from the list.

Supports serialization (saveInvoicesToFile, loadInvoicesFromFile) to save and load the list of invoices from a file.

• Key Methods:

addInvoice (String invoiceNumber): Adds an invoice number to the list.

deleteInvoice(String invoiceNumber): Deletes an invoice number from the list.

saveInvoicesToFile(String filename): Saves the list of invoices to a specified file using serialization.

loadInvoicesFromFile(String filename): Loads the list of invoices from a specified file using description.

Java implementation:

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// AccountingFirm.java
package finalexam.task4;
import java.io.*;
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.List;
public class AccountingFirm implements LegalEntity {
    private String address;
    private String vatNumber;
    private List<String> invoices = new ArrayList<>();
    public AccountingFirm(String address, String vatNumber) {
        this.address = address;
        this.vatNumber = vatNumber;
    }
    public String getAddress() {
        return address;
    public void setAddress(String address) {
        this.address = address;
    }
    public String getVatNumber() {
        return vatNumber;
    }
    public void setVatNumber(String vatNumber) {
        this.vatNumber = vatNumber;
    }
    public void addInvoice(String invoiceNumber) {
        invoices.add(invoiceNumber);
    }
    public boolean deleteInvoice(String invoiceNumber) {
       return invoices.remove(invoiceNumber);
    }
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public List<String> getInvoices() {
    return new ArrayList<>(invoices);
}

public void saveInvoicesToFile(String filename) throws IOException {
    try (ObjectOutputStream oos = new ObjectOutputStream(new FileOutputStream()
        oos.writeObject(invoices);
    }
}

public void loadInvoicesFromFile(String filename) throws IOException, ClassNotI
    try (ObjectInputStream ois = new ObjectInputStream(new FileInputStream(file
        invoices = (List<String>) ois.readObject();
    }
}

@Override
public String toString() {
    return "AccountingFirm{" +
        "address=" + address + '\' +
        ", vatNumber="" + vatNumber + '\' +
        ", invoices=" + invoices +
        '}';
}
```

LegalEntity Interface

• Purpose:

Defines methods to retrieve the address and VAT number of a legal entity.

• Functionality:

Contains two methods: getAddress() and getVatNumber().

Implemented by classes like AccountingFirm to provide specific details for a legal entity.

Java implementation:

```
// LegalEntity.java
package finalexam.task4;

public interface LegalEntity {
    String getAddress();
    String getVatNumber();
}
```

FirmTester Class

• Purpose:

Provides a demonstration of how to use the AccountingFirm class functionalities through basic operations such as adding, deleting, saving, and loading invoices.

• Usage:

Instantiates an AccountingFirm object with sample address and VAT number.

Adds invoices (INV001, INV002), demonstrates saving and loading invoices to/from file (invoices.dat), and verifies operations through console output.

3. Implementation Details

• Serialization:

Uses ObjectOutputStream and ObjectInputStream for serialization and deserialization of the list of invoices.

Proper exception handling (IOException, ClassNotFoundException) ensures robust file operations.

4. Relationships and Dependencies

• Dependencies:

AccountingFirm class depends on the LegalEntity interface for implementing methods related to legal entity information (getAddress, getVatNumber).

Utilizes Java standard library classes for file handling (FileInputStream, FileOutputStream) and serialization (ObjectOutputStream, ObjectInputStream).

Java implementation:

```
// FirmTester.java
package finalexam.task4;
import java.io.IOException;
public class FirmTester {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        AccountingFirm firm = new AccountingFirm("123 Main St", "123456789");
        firm.addInvoice("INV001");
        firm.addInvoice("INV002");
        System.out.println("Firm invoices after adding: " + firm.getInvoices());
        try {
            firm.saveInvoicesToFile("invoices.dat");
            firm.deleteInvoice("INV001");
            System.out.println("Firm invoices after deleting: " + firm.getInvoices
            firm.loadInvoicesFromFile("invoices.dat");
            System.out.println("Firm invoices after loading from file: " + firm.get
        } catch (IOException | ClassNotFoundException e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
    }
}
```

Conclusion

This report outlines the design and functionality of the AccountingFirm class, demonstrating its integration with the LegalEntity interface and practical usage in the FirmTester class. The implementation showcases basic operations for managing invoices and maintaining legal entity information, adhering to standard Java practices for file handling and serialization.