## **Block223 Project**

Team #22

### Some added (optional features)

Admittedly, the project was hard as is... but we have some cool features nonetheless:

- Full color spectrum availability for block creation
- Showing a dynamically changing block color
- The ability to log out from any screen
- Easy access to all pages, at any time

# Did you use any technology other than Umple, Java Swing, or Java 2D?

#### Java Swing Window Builder:

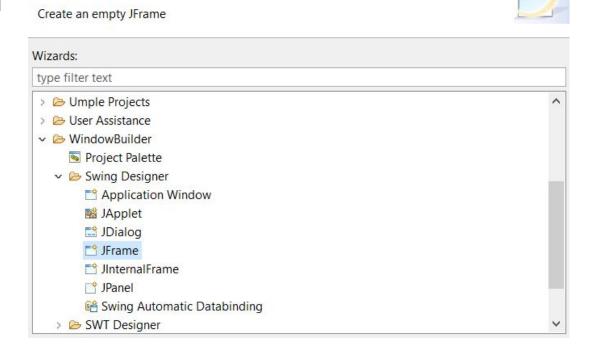
- A plugin which allowed for the creation of JFrames using a "drag and drop" system. The code would then be dynamically auto-generated for graphical objects such as JButtons, JTextFields, and password fields.
- Window Builder was not used for any playGame functionality, only for menu panels in view.

#### The setup for Window Builder

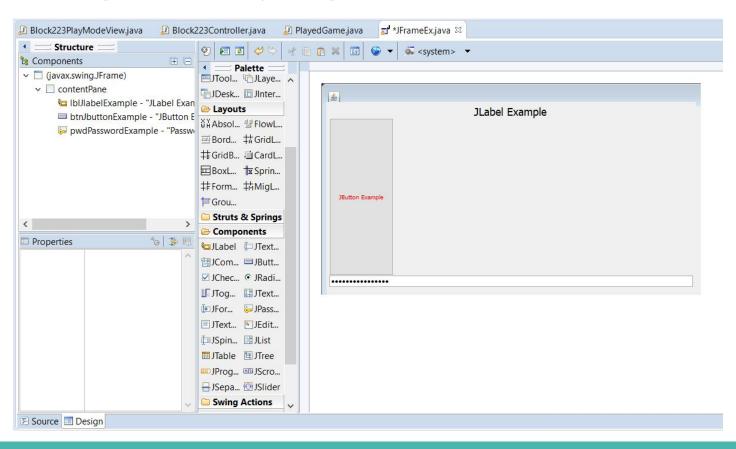
Select a wizard

Can't edit an already created JFrame, have to create and name a new one from scratch.

If we want to add to an existing JFrame, code would have to be manually added into a JFrame builder which can cause many conflicts.



## The UI design panel (drag and drop or manually edit)



## When changing from design to source window...

Code is automatically regenerated for additional features. Main() generated which would be commented out / worked around with application for MVC pattern).

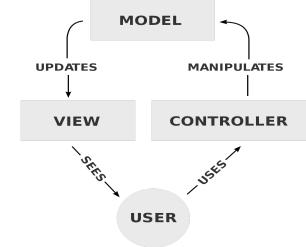
Code that is changed manually stays the same. Action listeners would be added within this auto-generated code.

Similar to object oriented programming?

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Block223PlayModeView.java
                          Block223Controller.java
                                                  PlayedGame.java
    public class JFrameEx extends JFrame {
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        private JPanel contentPane;
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        private JPasswordField pwdPasswordExample;
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         * Create the frame.
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        public JFrameEx() {
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             setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
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             setBounds(100, 100, 632, 351);
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             contentPane = new JPanel();
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             contentPane.setBorder(new EmptyBorder(5, 5, 5, 5));
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             contentPane.setLayout(new BorderLayout(0, 0));
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             setContentPane(contentPane);
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             JLabel lblJlabelExample = new JLabel("JLabel Example");
             lblJlabelExample.setHorizontalAlignment(SwingConstants.CENTER);
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             lblJlabelExample.setFont(new Font("Tahoma", Font.PLAIN, 18));
             contentPane.add(lblJlabelExample, BorderLayout.NORTH);
             JButton btnJbuttonExample = new JButton("JButton Example");
             btnJbuttonExample.setForeground(Color.RED);
             contentPane.add(btnJbuttonExample, BorderLayout.WEST);
             pwdPasswordExample = new JPasswordField();
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             pwdPasswordExample.setText("Password Example");
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             contentPane.add(pwdPasswordExample, BorderLayout.SOUTH);
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        Design
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#### Some lessons learned...

- The choice of patterns is very crucial, and MVC made things very easy
  - First went through drawing diagrams, and then coding
  - With these patterns, it was easy to decide where certain methods had to be called based on their functionality. These concepts almost ensured that the code could be self-organized.
- How to design projects on a larger scale.
  - Git and Github definitely helped



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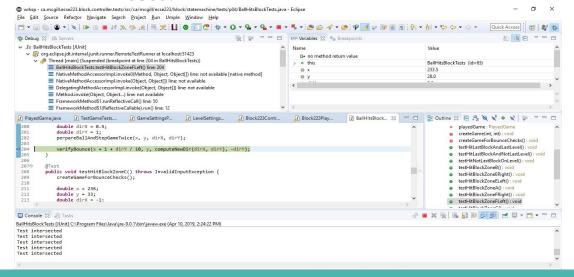
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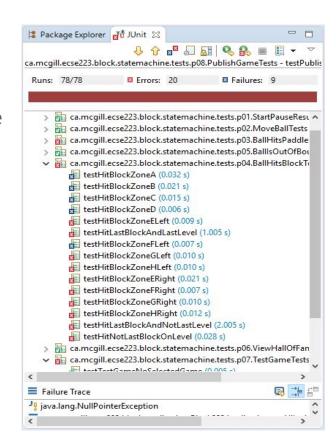


Source: https://www.edureka.co/blog/git-vs-github/

#### Some more lessons learned...

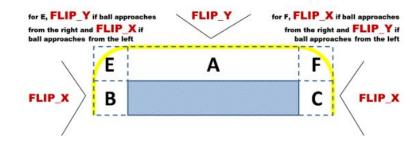
- The importance of debugging and testing without print statements.
  - Bugs found through the JUnit tests often involved the use of many different classes, which would certainly not have been found if only print statements were used.

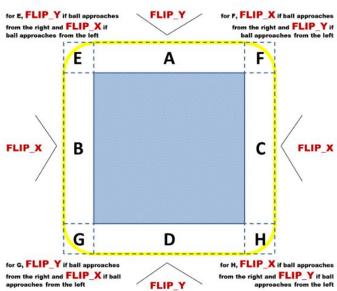




#### A final lesson learned...

- The obvious distribution of features is not always the best.
  - Some features solve very similar problems.
  - E.g., hitting paddle and hitting block
  - Results in duplicated efforts





Thank you for your time!