

# Hospital coding challenge

We would like to ask you to do a fun coding exercise to have a deeper understanding of your coding skills. Imagine that your code will be read and modified by other developers, so they should be able to understand it easily.

You should also remember that code should be **scalable and easily extensible** (avoid particular cases in general, favour the usage of design patterns over large conditional structures). Also, make sure to write **maintainable code** (avoid hardcoding and code duplication, structure your code well instead of overloading it with comments, find the right level of componentization).

However, at the same time beware of overly complicated solutions and speculative design (we value a lot the SOLID and KISS principles [:-\)](#)). You should remain pragmatic and take care **not to over engineer** your solution: your code should not be made more complex just to prove to us that you are a good developer and that you know things.

Last but not least: there is no single best solution, so we encourage you to design and implement the solution in a way you think is right.

This exercise will be composed of two parts:

- (1) Creation of a small library implementing the core logic of the problem;
- (2) Creation of a UI using this library.

The project structure we provide you is divided as follows:

- *hospital-lib* will contain the implementation of the library (Part 1 of this document);
- *hospital-fe* will contain the implementation of the UI (Part 2 of this document);
- *hospital-be* is a small nodejs backend that we provide (its usage is explained below - it acts as the hospital's server).

## Problem description

You were asked by a doctor friend to prepare for her a “Hospital simulator”, which can simulate the future patients’ state, based on their current state and a list of drugs they take.

Patients can have one of these states:

- F: Fever
- H: Healthy
- D: Diabetes
- T: Tuberculosis
- X: Dead

In the “Hospital simulator”, drugs are provided to all patients. It is not possible to target a specific patient. This is the list of available drugs:

- As: Aspirin
- An: Antibiotic
- I: Insulin
- P: Paracetamol

Drugs can change patients' states. They can cure, cause side effects or even kill a patient if not properly prescribed.

Drugs effects are described by the following rules:

- Aspirin cures Fever;
- Antibiotic cures Tuberculosis;
- A sick patient not receiving the right medicines remains sick, if not explicitly mentioned otherwise;
- Insulin prevents diabetic subject from dying, does not cure Diabetes;
- If insulin is mixed with antibiotic, healthy people catch Fever;
- Paracetamol cures Fever;
- Paracetamol kills the subject if mixed with aspirin.

While applying the rules, please keep in mind that:

- During one simulation a patient can change his state only once (only one rule can be applied).
- Rules causing Death take precedence over others.

To obtain a scalable and maintainable solution, have in mind that :

- Think about the extensibility of your solution. For instance, rules could eventually use more than two drugs in the future, even if it is not the case in this description.
- It should be easy to add new drugs or patient states without breaking the existing code.
- If possible, no rule should be handled as a particular case (e.g. deadly rules and "insulin cures diabetes").

## Part 1. Creating the library (*hospital-lib*)

The goal is here to create a library implementing the specifications mentioned above. We provide you with a basic test file (*quarantine.spec.ts*) for the main test cases. Feel free to enrich it and create other tests for your internal code.

**Important.** Make sure that your solution is easily scalable in terms of new patient states and new drugs. Also, make sure that your code is well tested.

### Implementation

You need to complete the *Quarantine* class that must provide:

- **A constructor.**  
The argument of the constructor is an object describing the states of the patients, following the format:  $\{F:NP, H:NP, D:NP, T:NP, X:NP\}$ . Where:
  - F, H, D, T, X are patients' health status codes;
  - NP is a number of patients for a given state;E.g.  $\{F:0, H:2, D:0, T:0, X:1\}$  means there are two healthy patients and one that is dead.
- A method **setDrugs** that should define which drugs will be given to all patients.

The argument to this method is an array of drugs codes, e.g. ["As", "I"] means patients will be treated with Aspirin and Insulin;

- A method **wait40Days** that will administer the drugs to the patients;
- A method **report** that should return an object describing the current states of the patients, following the same format as the constructor argument.

### Technical information

A basic skeleton in TypeScript is provided in the *hospital-lib* folder. You **must** use it, otherwise your test will not be considered.

To run the tests, run the following commands in the *hospital-lib* folder:

- *yarn install*
- *yarn test* - to run the basic predefined tests

## Part 2. Creating the UI (*hospital-fe*)

The doctor is now happy with the lib that you created containing the core logic, but as she is not a developer, she cannot use it as such. This is why she now asks you to create for her a small UI that she could use to view her patients and simulate the effect of the drugs on them.

The hospital owns a small server (*hospital-be* – we provide it) that stores the list of current patients as well as the drugs that we want to administer to them. The goal is to create a UI that can be used to simulate the effect of drugs on the patients. It should contain:

- A button used to retrieve the patients and drugs from the server and to display them on the screen;
- Another button to administer the drugs to the patients (using the lib created in Part 1) and display the result of the simulation on the screen;
- A result must contain the input and output and must be displayed as part of a history of all results;
- The last 10 simulations results must be displayed (not more);
- Everything must be displayed on the same screen.

**Important.** Your solution must be simple yet clear and usable (we value user-friendliness).

### Technical information

Your frontend solution must be stored in the *hospital-fe* folder and must be written in VueJS or AngularX *if nothing else was explicitly asked*, and with **TypeScript**.

**Once your frontend is bootstrapped**, in order to use *hospital-lib* in your frontend, you first have to execute this in the *hospital-lib* folder:

- *yarn build:prod*

Then you need to do the following in the *hospital-fe/package.json* file:

- add this line in the dependencies: "hospital-lib": "file:../hospital-lib/dist"

Now, in your source files, you can use the *hospital-lib* using:

```
import {Quarantine} from 'hospital-lib';
```

### Using the Hospital server (*hospital-be*)

To run the server, execute the following commands in the *hospital-be* folder:

- *yarn install*
- *yarn start*

The server is then accessible through the url <http://localhost:7200>. It provides two endpoints (the formats follow the ones given in the test file of the library implemented in part 1):

- `GET /patients`  
Returns a string containing the list of current patients in the hospital. E.g. "D,F,F".
- `GET /drugs`  
Returns a string containing the list of drugs to administer to the patients. E.g. "As,I".