

# Wheel of Fortune

## Software Design Description

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**Abstract:** This document describes the software design for the computer version of Wheel of Fortune, a popular game show rooted in the classic Hangman game.

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# 1 Introduction

This is the Software Design Description (SDD) for the basic Wheel of Fortune computer implementation. This document format is based on the IEEE Standard 1016-2009 recommendation for software design.

## 1.1 Purpose

This document aims to act as the basis for the development of the Wheel of Fortune application. Using UML class diagrams, it will provide details surrounding the packages, classes, instance and class variables, and method signatures that will be used for the implementation of the various parts of this application. Additionally, UML Sequence diagrams will be used to illustrate the potential interactions between objects once the application is run. This includes handling events.

## 1.2 Scope

Wheel of Fortune is one of a series of game shows that EGE aims to computerize. Many game shows implement similar features; for example, the wheel spun in Wheel of Fortune imitates the wheel spun on “The Price is Right”. The phrase board, and for that matter, general use of phrases, words, and letters, in Wheel of Fortune imitates the use of such elements in shows like Chain Reaction and Lingo. As such, it is important to keep these overlapping similarities in mind to avoid future code duplication. The target language for this software design is Java.

## 1.3 Definitions, acronyms, and abbreviations

**Class Diagram** – A UML document format that describes classes graphically. Specifically, it describes their instance variables, method headers, and relationships to other classes.

**IEEE** – Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, the “world’s largest professional association for the advancement of technology”.

**Framework** – In an object-oriented language, a collection of classes and interfaces that collectively provide a service for building applications or additional frameworks all with a common need.

**Java** – A high-level programming language that uses a virtual machine layer between the Java application and the hardware to provide program portability.

**Wheel of Fortune** – The SONY Pictures Television game show that will be replicated by our software. The game is founded on Hangman. Contestants spin a wheel and guess consonants or buy vowels and attempt to solve the random phrase displayed on the board. The objective is to guess correct letters and phrases and earn money from doing so. The winner proceeds to a bonus round with a chance for winning a large cash prize or car.

**Sequence Diagram** – A UML document format that specifies how object methods interact with one another.

**UML** – Unified Modeling Language, a standard set of document formats for designing software graphically.

**Wheel** – A circular object that contains wedges with varying text. In Wheel of Fortune this wheel is spun by a contestant before he/she guesses a letter.

**Wedges** – Parts of the wheel. Most wedges contain price values, which are indicative of the money that will be added to a contestant's total based on the letter he/she guesses and the number of this letter present in the given phrase. Other wedges are "specialty" wedges; instead of a price they present a special opportunity; the "specialty" wedges are defined below.

**"Bankrupt" Wedge** – Causes a contestant to lose all of his/her money earned during that round and "specialty" tags earned during the entire game.

**"Free Play" Wedge** – Permits a contestant to guess the phrase or a letter with no penalty.

**"Lose a Turn" Wedge** – Contestant loses a turn.

**"Buying a Vowel"** – In Wheel of Fortune, consonants are free but vowels cost \$250 each.

**Category** – Wheel of Fortune has various categories from which phrases are selected. Such categories include places, things, food and beverage etc.

## 1.4 References

**IEEE Std 830<sup>TM</sup>-1998 (R2009)** – IEEE Standard for Information Technology – Systems Design – Software Design Descriptions

## 1.5 Overview

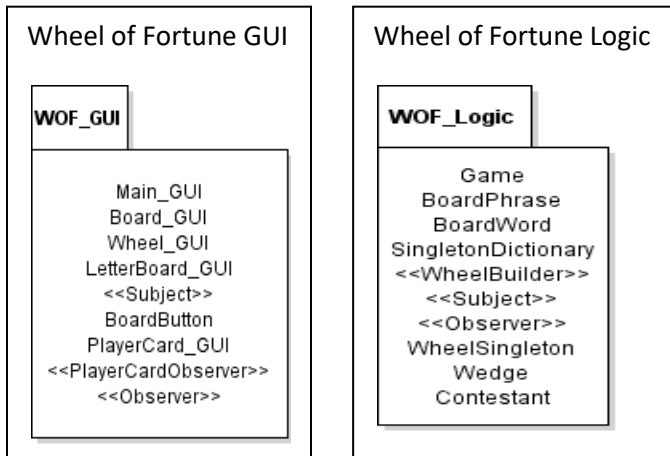
This Software Design Description document provides a working design for the computerized Wheel of Fortune software application. Section 2 of this document will provide the Package-Level Viewpoint, specifying the packages and frameworks to be designed. Section 3 will provide the Class-Level Viewpoint, using UML Class Diagrams to specify how the classes should be constructed. Section 4 will provide the Method-Level System Viewpoint, describing how methods will interact with one another. Section 5 provides deployment information like file structures and formats to use. Section 6 provides a Table of Contents, an Index, and References. Note that all UML Diagrams in this document were created using the VioletUML editor.

## 2 Package-Level Design Viewpoint

As mentioned, this design will encompass solely the Wheel of Fortune application. The design will aim to separate the GUI from the logic by allocating different responsibilities to different classes. In building the application we will heavily rely on the Java API to provide services. Following are descriptions of the components to be built, as well as how the Java API will be used to build them.

### 2.1 Wheel of Fortune overview

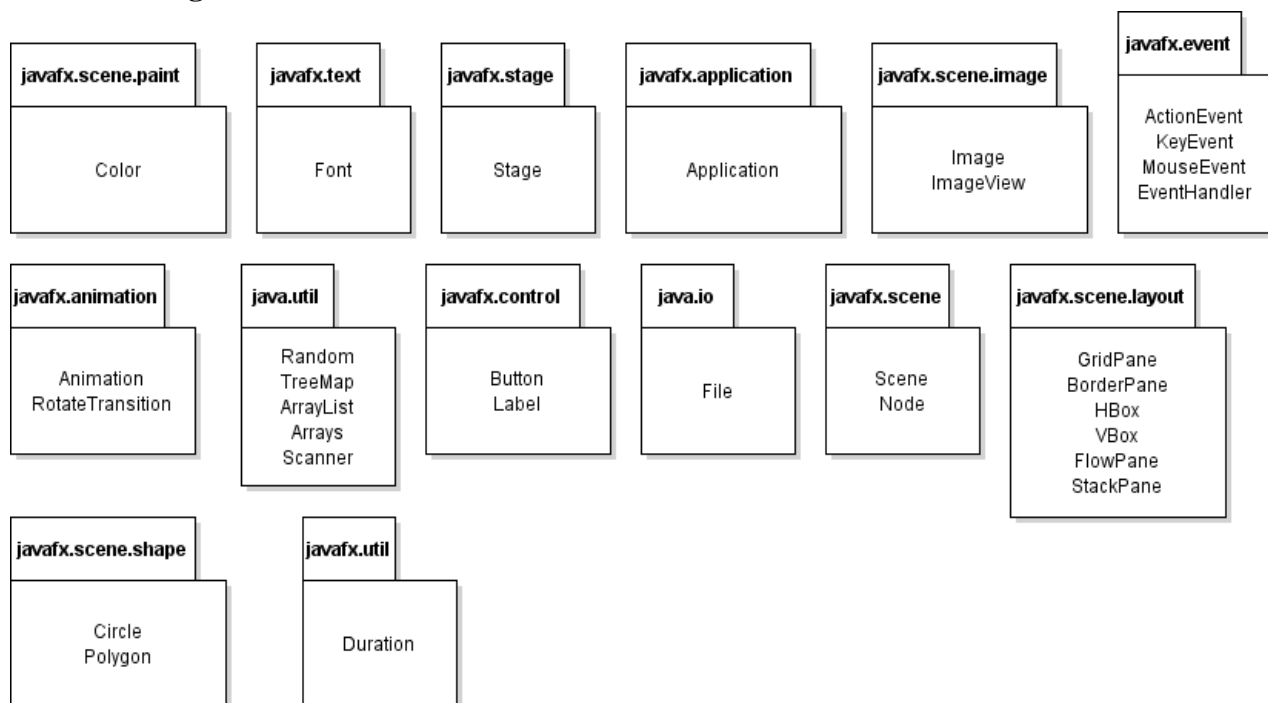
The GUI and logic portions of this project will be designed and developed in tandem. Figure 2.1 specifies all the components to be developed and places all classes in home packages.



**Figure 2.1: Design Packages Overview**

Both the logic and GUI portions of the application will be developed using the Java programming languages. As such, this design will make use of the classes specified in Figure 2.2.

### 2.2 Java API Usage



## Figure 2.2: Java API Classes and Packages To Be Used

### 2.3 Java API Usage Descriptions

Tables 2.1-2.12 below summarize how each of these classes will be used.

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Color</b>	For setting the colors for text and for the power bar for spinning wheel

**Table 2.1: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.scene.paint package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Font</b>	For setting the fonts for rendered text

**Table 2.2: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.text package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Application</b>	Used as the entry point for javafx application; creates an application thread that will process input events and animation timelines

**Table 2.3: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.application package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Stage</b>	Used as the top level JavaFX container

**Table 2.4: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.stage package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Scene</b>	The container for all content in a scene graph
<b>Node</b>	Base class for scene graph nodes

**Table 2.5: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.scene package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Image</b>	For storing image data regarding the wheel to be used and the contestants

<b>ImageView</b>	For appropriately displaying and readjusting images like the wheel and the contestants
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**Table 2.6: Uses for classes in the Java API's `java.scene.image` package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>GridPane</b>	Layout to be used for designing the board containing the phrase
<b>BorderPane</b>	Layout to be used for the entire GUI containing the board, contestants, and wheel
<b>HBox</b>	Layout to be used for placing buttons in a row
<b>VBox</b>	Layout to be used for displaying scores of contestants on right side of screen
<b>FlowPane</b>	Layout that will include HBox layouts
<b>StackPane</b>	Layout to be used for wheel and the label that will be in the center of the wheel to show the name of the wedge that has been landed on

**Table 2.7: Uses for classes in the Java API's `javafx.scene.layout` package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>ActionEvent</b>	For getting information about an action event like which button was pressed.
<b>KeyEvent</b>	For getting information about a key event, like which key was pressed.
<b>MouseEvent</b>	For getting information about a mouse event, like where was the mouse pressed?
<b>EventHandler</b>	For responding to an action, key, or mouse event, like a button, key, or mouse button press. We will provide our own custom implementation of this interface.

**Table 2.8: Uses for classes in the Java API's `javafx.event` package**

Class/Interface	Use
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<b>File</b>	To access File that will then be read using Scanner
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**Table 2.9: Uses for classes in the Java API's java.io package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Animation</b>	Need to use Animation class to retrieve status of an animation to disable buttons for a certain period of time
<b>RotateTransition</b>	For giving an object animation. Will be used to provide the wheel with a motion to follow.

**Table 2.10: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.animation package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Button</b>	Simplifies user interaction; will need a button for spinning the wheel, for a help button, and for guessing
<b>Label</b>	Will be used for displaying contestant's names and faces and other text in GUI

**Table 2.11: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.control package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Random</b>	For generating random values when spinning the wheel
<b>TreeMap</b>	For storing (letter, Map<Word length, words>) key pairs, we'll use it for storing our words in an attempt to provide contestants with an accurate letter probability predictor.
<b>Arrays</b>	For creating an ArrayList from a list using the Arrays.asList method
<b>Scanner</b>	For parsing/going through text files that contain words and random phrases
<b>ArrayList</b>	Perhaps the most used data structure used. Will be used to store everything from Characters to Buttons.

**Table 2.12: Uses for classes in the Java API's java.util package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Duration</b>	Will be used in tandem with RotateTransition.

**Table 2.13: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.util package**

Class/Interface	Use
<b>Circle</b>	Will be used stylistically; the spinning wheel will be put on top of a circle.
<b>Polygon</b>	Will be used to make a triangle that will be placed at the edge of the wheel to act as an indicator for which wedge the wheel has landed on

**Table 2.14: Uses for classes in the Java API's javafx.scene.shape package**



## Class-Level Design Viewpoint

As mentioned, the design presented in this document will encompass the Wheel of Fortune GUI and Logic. The following UML Class Diagrams aim to show this. We will present the class designs using a series of diagrams from an overview to a more detailed perspective.

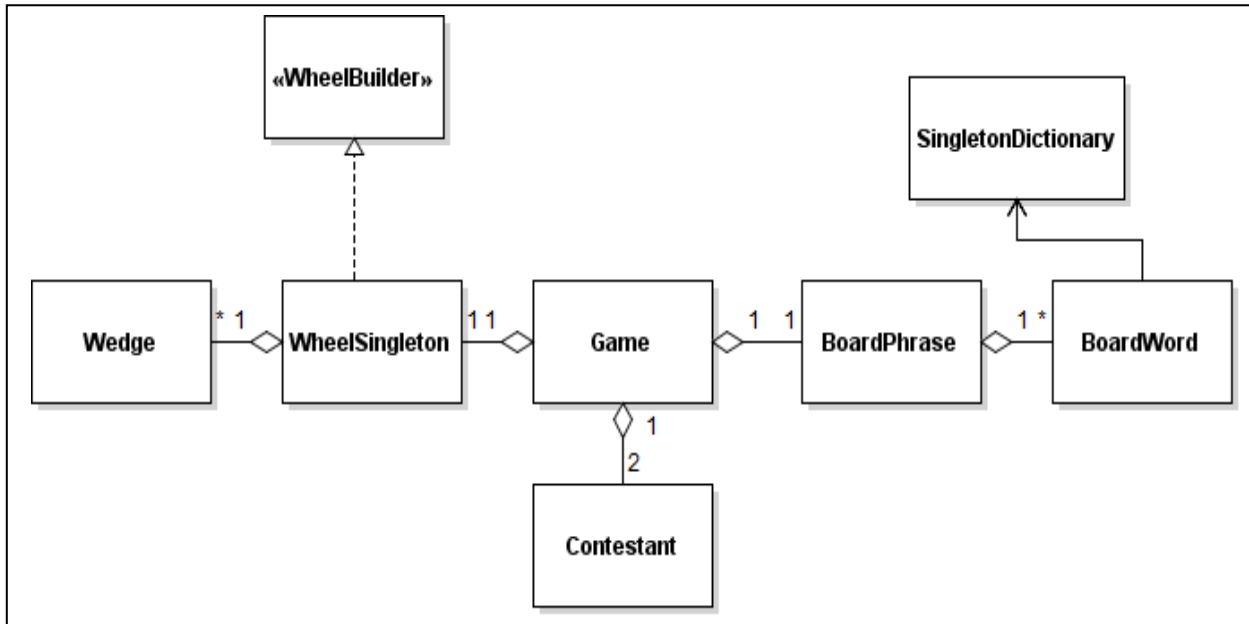


Figure 3.1: Wheel of Fortune Logic overview

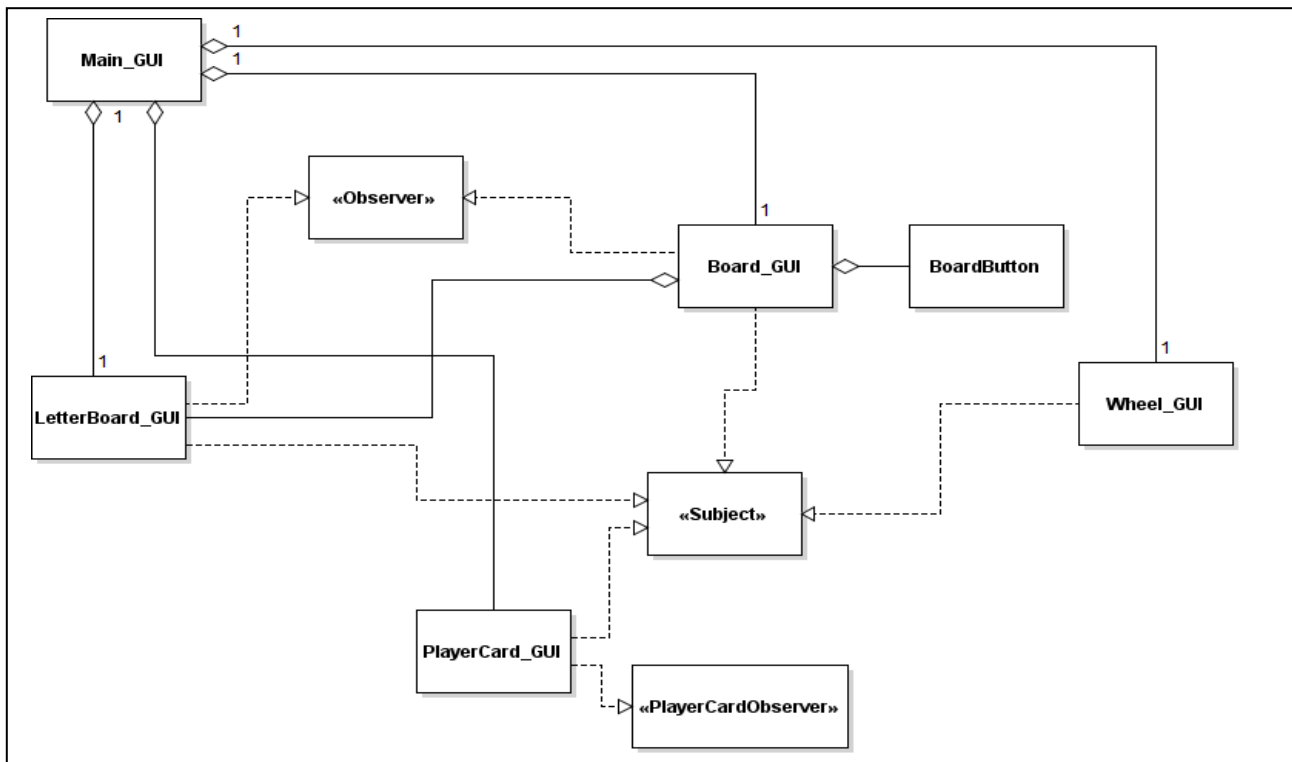
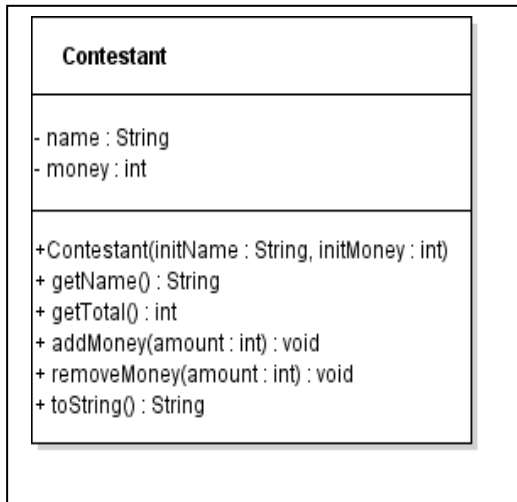
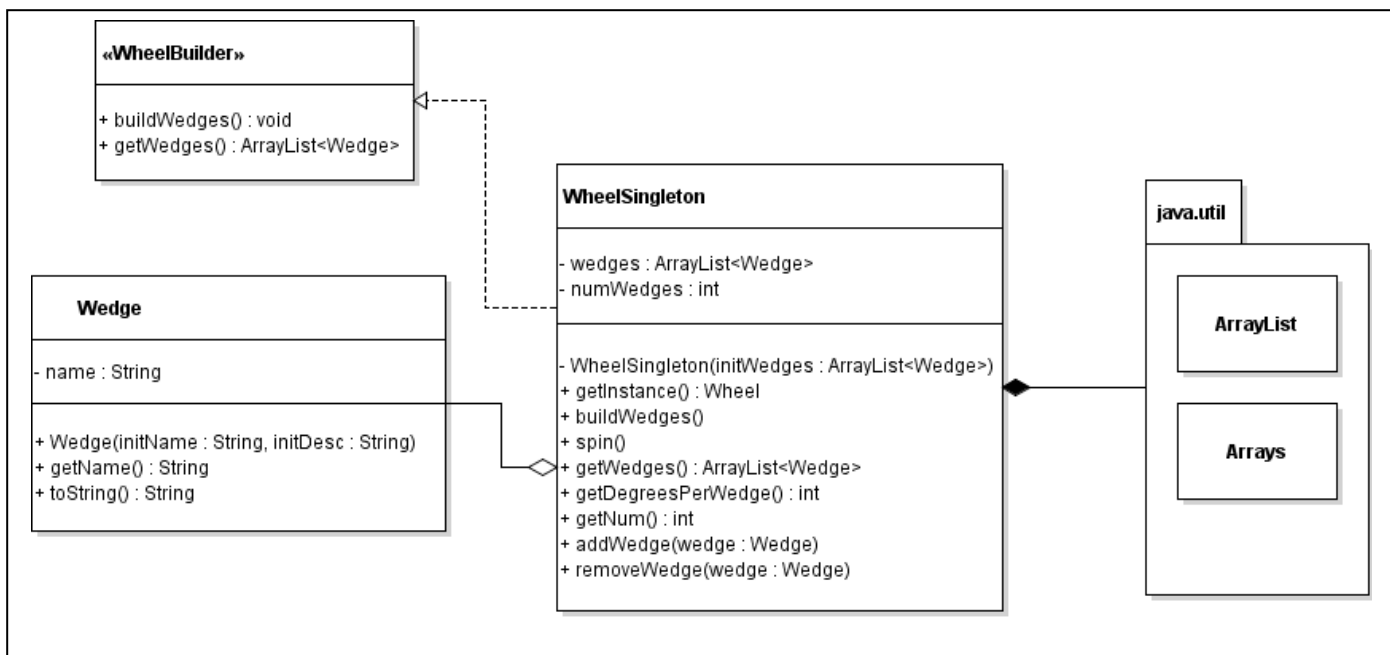


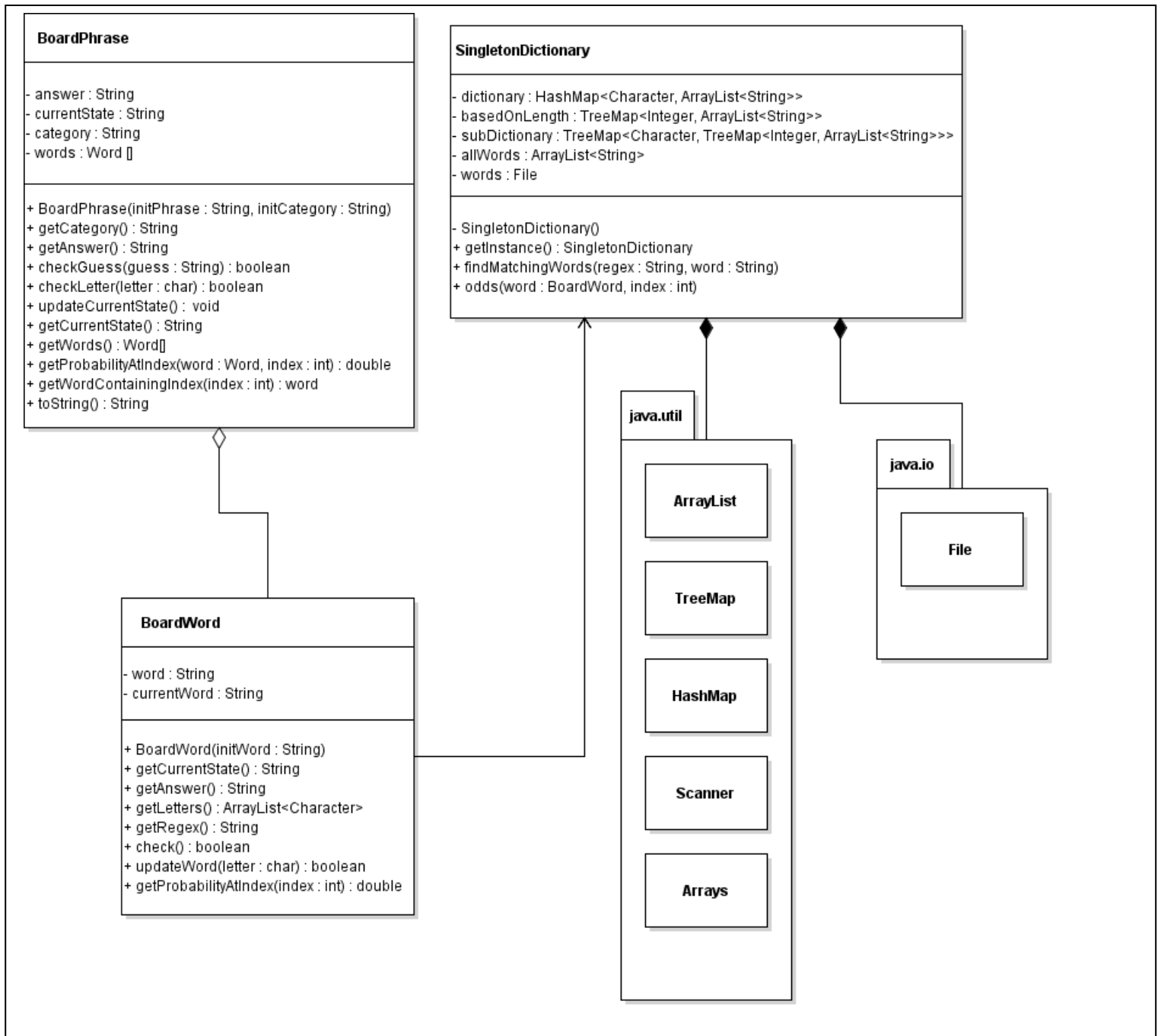
Figure 3.2: Wheel of Fortune GUI Overview UML Class Diagram



**Figure 3.3: Detailed Contestant UML Class Diagram (Logic section)**



**Figure 3.4: Detailed WheelBuilder, WheelSingleton, and Wedge UML Class Diagram**



**Figure 3.5: Detailed BoardPhrase, BoardWord, and SingletonDictionary UML Class Diagram**

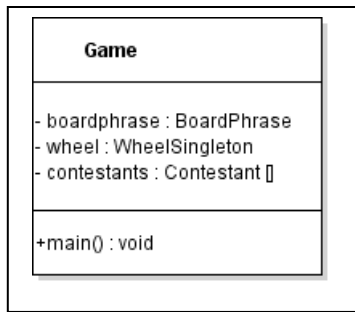
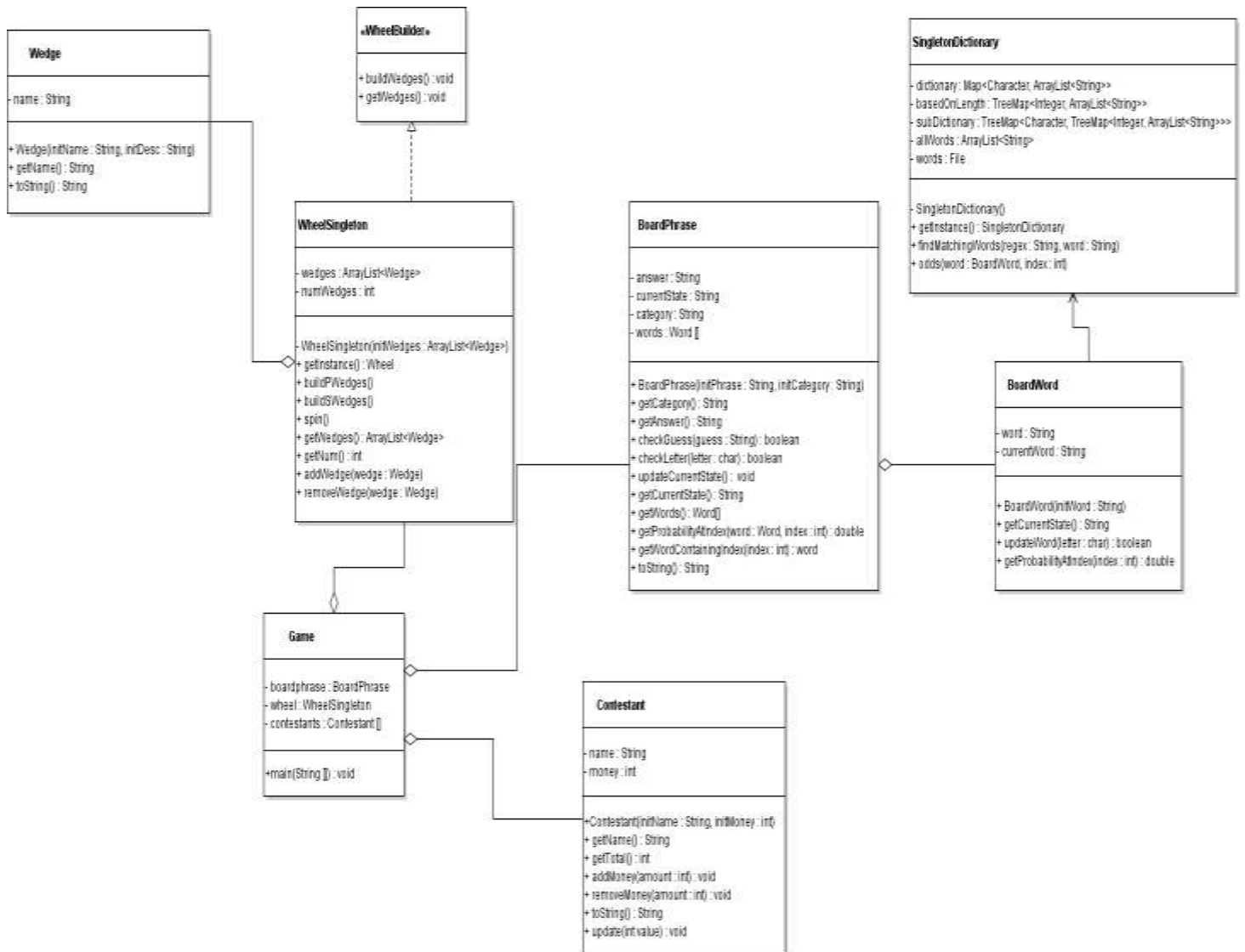


Figure 3.6: Detailed Game UML Class Diagram (focal point/main)

### Final Logic Big Picture:



## GUI Breakdown

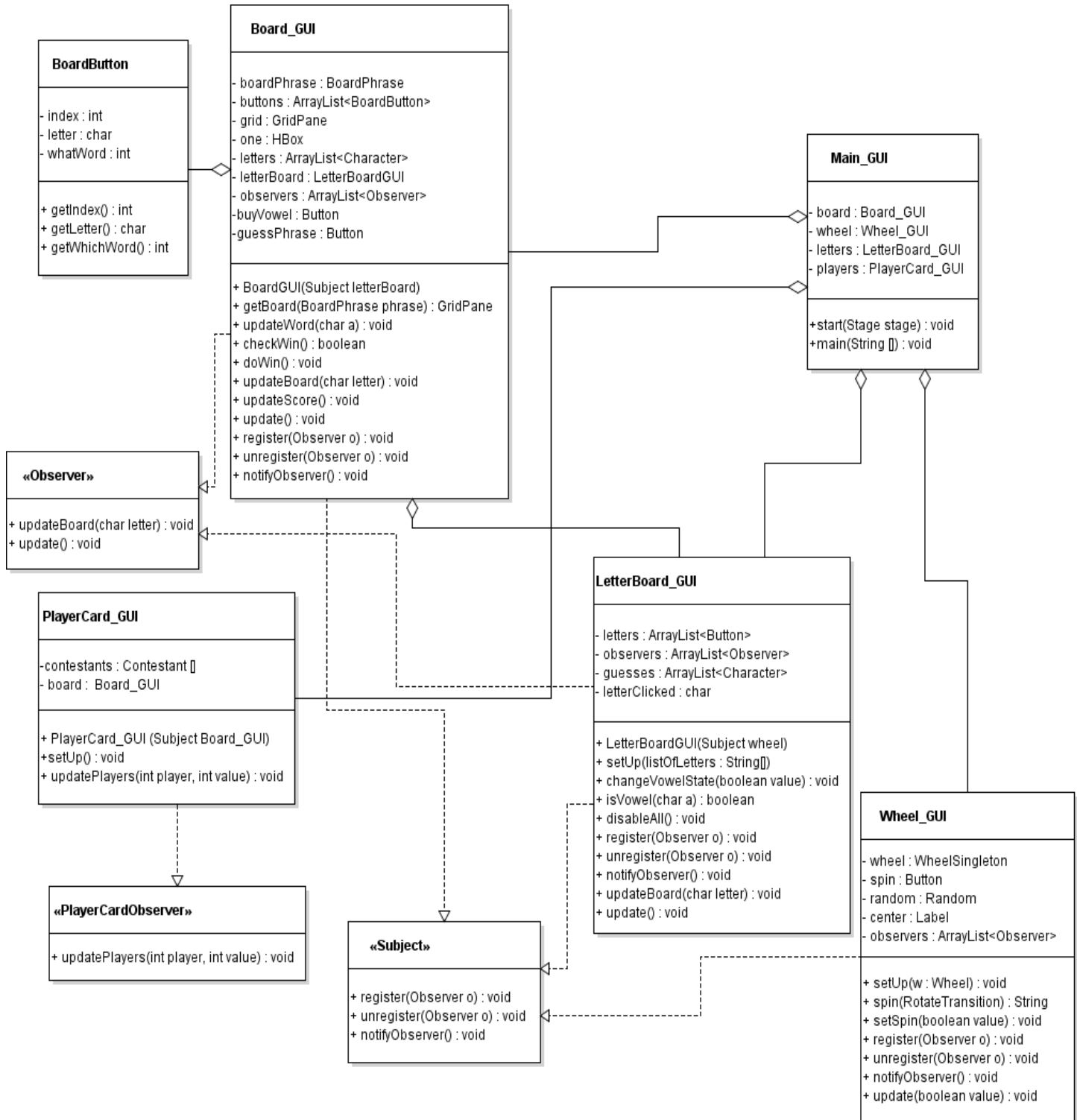
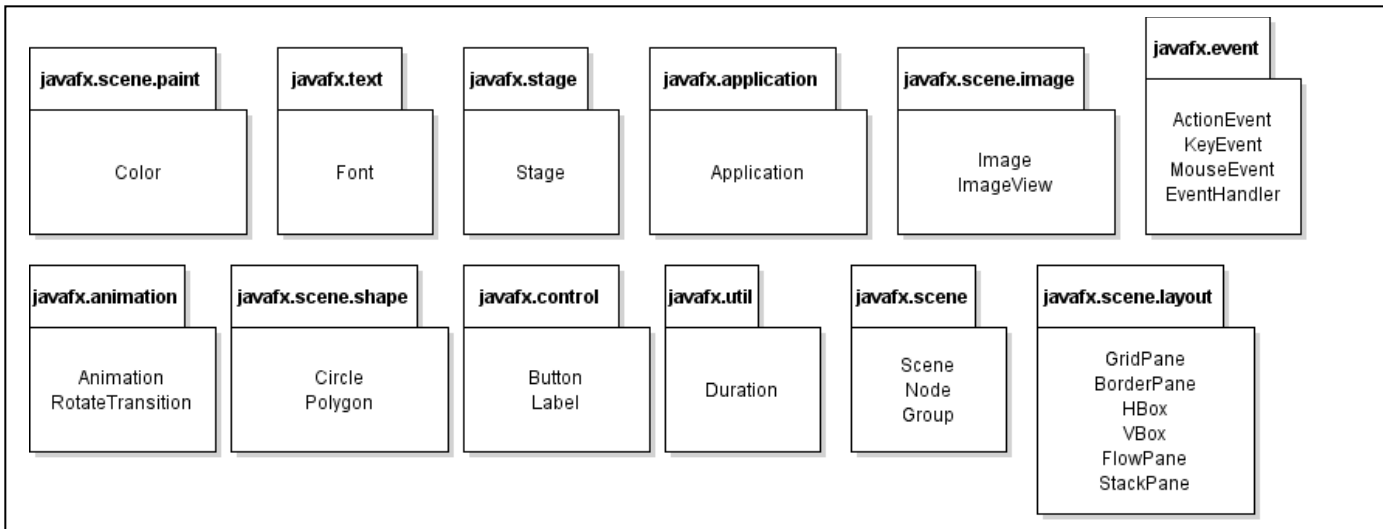


Figure 3.8: Detailed GUI related UML Class Diagrams



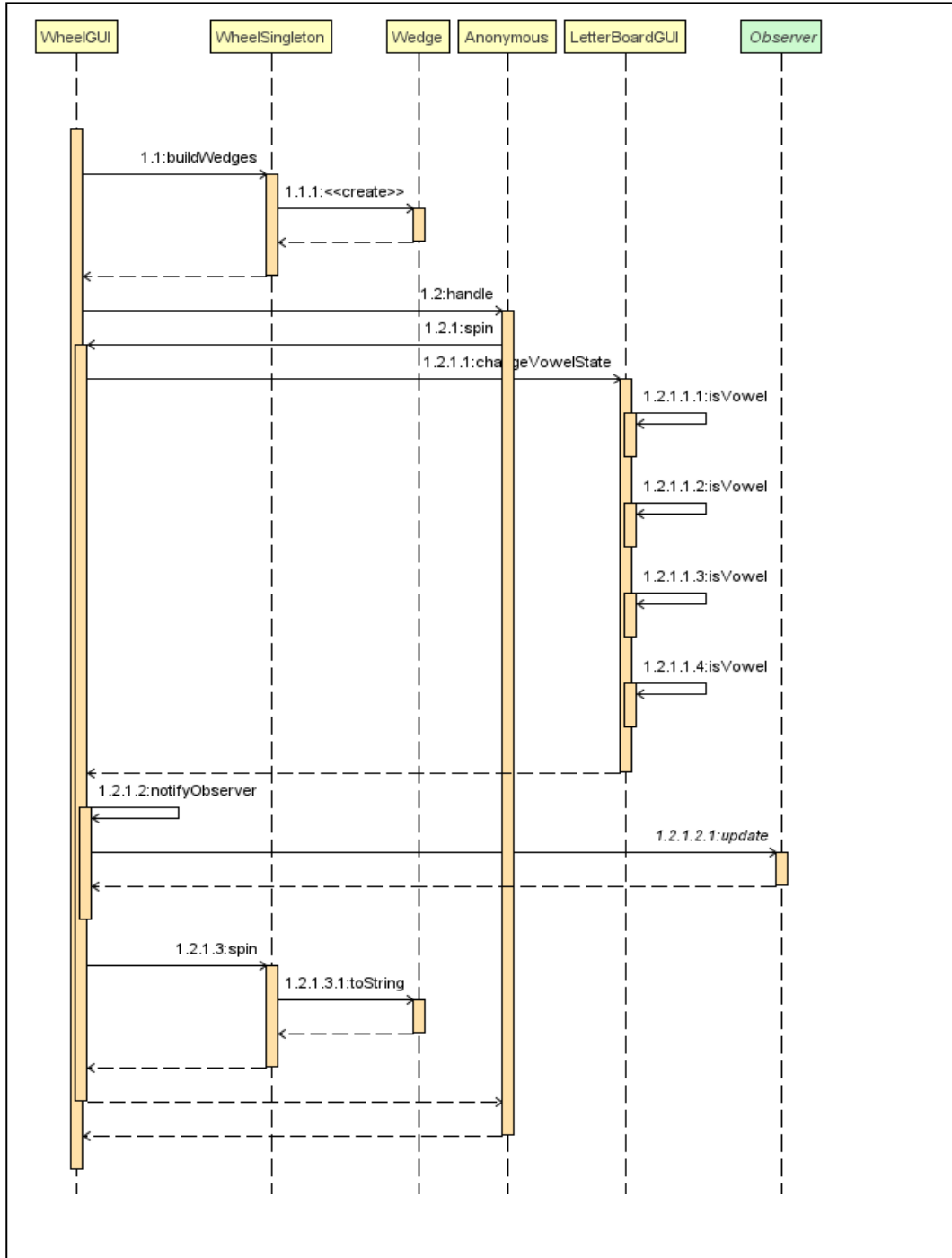
**Figure 3.8: Packages to be used by GUI classes. More elaborate explanations provided in section 2.3.**

### 3 Method-Level Design Viewpoint

Now that the general architecture of the classes has been determined, it is time to specify how data will flow through the system. The following explanations and UML Sequence Diagrams describe the methods called within the code to be developed in order to provide the appropriate event responses.

A major design pattern used throughout the program is the Observer design pattern. As such some classes serve as subjects whereas others serve as observers and are notified of changes in the subject and updated accordingly. It is important to understand the overlapping subject-observer relationships in this application.

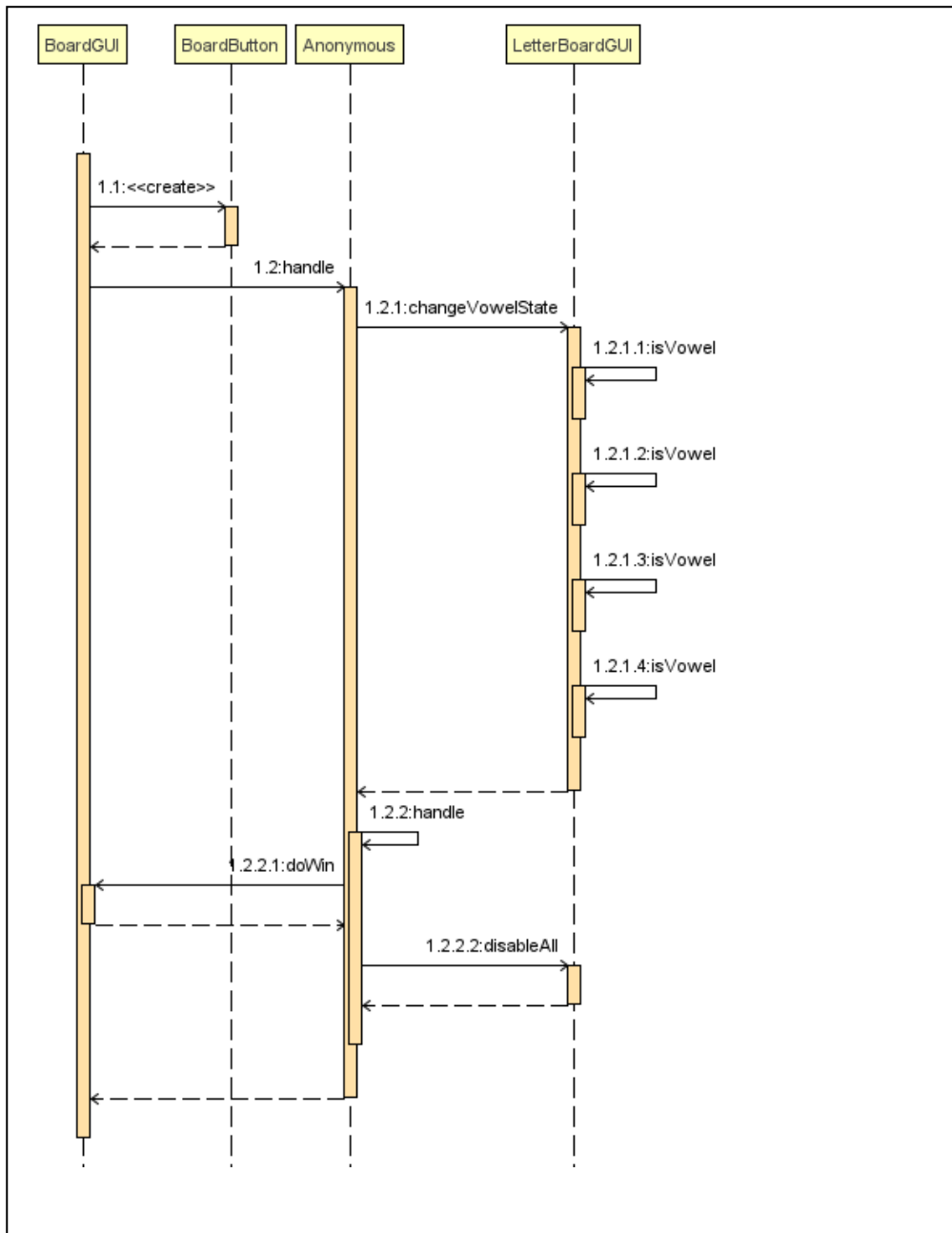
1. **LetterBoardGUI – BoardGUI** – in this case the board GUI will be updated once a user clicks on a letter on the letter board; the LetterBoard GUI serves as the subject and the Board GUI is the observer.
2. **WheelGUI – LetterBoardGUI** – in this case the letter board GUI will be updated once the user clicks the spin button (the letter buttons will be enabled; one can only select a letter after spinning assuming he/she does not land on bankrupt or lose a turn).
3. **BoardGUI – PlayerCardGUI** – in this case the player card will be updated when the board is updated. If a letter is correctly guess the player card will be updated to reflect the updated score of a player. If an incorrect letter is guess the player card will be updated to reflect the change in turns.



**Figure 4.1: UML Sequence Diagram for the set up method in WheelGUI.** The set up method initializes the GUI for the wheel. The first handle method call between Wedge and Anonymous inner class object represents the result of clicking spin (wheel spins). This results in changeVowelState() being called which activates all consonants on the letter board and disables all vowels. The wheel then notifies its other observer, the main BoardGUI so that the buy vowel and guess phrase buttons can be enabled (these buttons must be disabled until a contestant has spun the wheel).



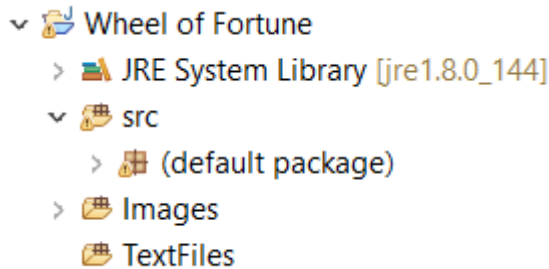




**Figure 4.3: UML Sequence Diagram for the `getBoard()` method in `BoardGUI`.** The `getBoard()` method initializes and returns the GUI for the main board. The `handle` method call between `BoardGUI` and the `Anonymous` inner class object represents the result of clicking the “Buy a Vowel” button. This results in `changeVowelState()` being called which disables all consonants and enables all remaining vowels so that a contestant can choose amongst the vowels. The second `handle` method in the `Anonymous` inner class object is the `handle` method for the “Guess Phrase” button. Clicking on the button prompts the user to enter his/her guess and then this guess is checked to see if it is correct. If it is, `doWin()` is performed. If not, `disableAll()` is called to signal the end of this player’s turn and disable the letter board until the next player spins the wheel.

## 5. File Structure and Formats

The Wheel of Fortune application and will contain a single, executable JAR file titled WheelOfFortune.jar. Note that all necessary text and art files must accompany this program. Figure 5.1 specifies the necessary file structure the launched application should use.



**Figure 5.1: Wheel of Fortune File Structure**

Wheel of Fortune folder with 5 text files each text file representing a different category. There will also be a text file that will act as a dictionary that contains a majority of words in the English language. This file will be accessed in order to accurately calculate the letter probabilities at given indices. These files will go under the TextFiles source folder in the Wheel of Fortune Java Project. The Images source folder will contain the image of the wheel to be used. All java files will be stored in the default package in the src folder.

## 6. Supporting Information

Note that this document should serve as a reference for those implementing the code, so we'll provide a table of contents to help quickly find important sections.

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## 6.2 Appendixes

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