Detailed Quality Assurance Conecept

1 Constructive Quality Management

1.1 Technical Procedure

1.1.1 Guidlines

Our software's guide is the requirements file authored by Lina for milestone 1. It encompasses crucial rules governing the game logic, GUI, and network protocol. This document serves as the cornerstone of our software development, providing a comprehensive reference for all code. As we progress with the project and delve into finer details, each team member is responsible for updating this file. All decisions that need to be done are written down in this file.

1.1.2 Documentation

We place a strong emphasis on thorough documentation throughout our codebase to ensure clarity and ease of understanding for all team members.

Our approach mainly involves using JavaDoc comments to provide concise summaries of the main purpose and functionality of code. These comments serve as a quick reference point for developers seeking to understand the role of a particular method. Moreover, consistency in our documentation style ensures ease navigation in our codebase, promoting collaboration and efficiency in the developement process.

1.1.3 Coding Conventions

We adhere to coding conventions to maintain cohesive, visually appealing, and easily reviewable code. Following these conventions ensures that our code is not only aesthetically pleasing but also facilitates smoother code reviews. We stick to the IntelliJ default coding and formatting conventions.

1.1.4 Meaningful Exception Handling

We find ourselves navigating exception handling much like a game of catch – tossing them where necessary and ensuring we catch them as well. It's a fundamental aspect of our coding practice, allowing us to address expected issues that can occur promptly and effectively. Whenever exceptions occur, we take care to handle them thoughtfully, considering the specific context in which they arise. This approach ensures that our code remains robust and resilient, even in the face of unexpected errors.

1.1.5 UNIT Tests

To assure the functions and quality of the game, especially the networking and the game logic, we test every class with unit tests. Here is our unit test conventions list:

- 1) Only important/Fundamental methods get tested.
- 2) Exceptions always get tested. Those tests are named classname + ExceptionsTest".
- 3) The test class is named like the original class + Test", for example: Dice.java has the test class DiceTest.java.
- 4) The method that gets tested is called like the original method + Test", for example: fullHouse() is the original method and fullHouseTest() is the test method.
- 5) The correct structure and naming of the test files is ensured with the CRTL + Shift + t combination, that gets pressed in the class we want to get a test class for.
- 6) No happy testing and ensure random unit tests.
- 7) We use lambda expressions in tests so they run through and do not stop when the first test fails.

1.2 Organisation

1.2.1 Shared Allocation of Tasks

We maintain a Google Excel sheet accessible only to our group, serving as a central hub for task assignment and tracking across milestones. Each task is assigned to a responsible individual, who updates the status as "will do," "in progress," or "done." This system ensures that every task is accounted for and progress is transparent to all team members.

1.2.2 Bug Control

Within our project management toolkit, we maintain a ticketing list dedicated for tracking and addressing bugs within our software.

1.3 Metrics

1.3.1 Selected Metrics

To ensure the quality of our game Kniffeliger we decided to calculate and consider some metrics. In particular, we chose the following metrics:

Cyclomatic Complexity Since software development is a task of high complexity our key goal was to minimize the complexity of certain part of our program. Since in general complex code is more prone to unexpected errors, we strived to reduce overall complexity where it was necessary and possible. Due to nature of programming some higher degrees of complexity are sometimes needed.

Javadoc coverage Accessibility and maintenance are key concepts of software development. To ensure that each team member is able to understand and in spite of a bug to fix code, we strived to achieve a high coverage of (useful) javadoc documentation, that is to have a good overall coverage of classes, fields and most important methods.

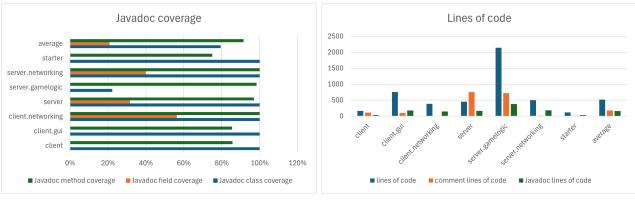
Lines of code In addition to the previous point, it is important to maintain a good ratio from lines of functional code to lines of comments. To point out, which classes need a rework

respectively improvement of commenting the code, we plotted the overall lines of code as javadoc and generic comments.

1.3.2 Ongoing Quality Assurance

We decided to plot our metrics with respect to the packages to see the overall performance. As seen in the Plots we achieve an overall good coverage of Java documentation. Where we need to improve is in particular in the documentation of fields.

On the other hand is are the lines of codes in a good balance between functional lines and documentation commenting the code.



(a) Coverage of Java documentation

(b) Lines of code per package

Abbildung 1: Lines of codes and Java documentation side by side.

Moreover, the complexity of the developed software compared to its purposes is also in balance and we strive to maintain this balance. This can be seen in the following data representation:

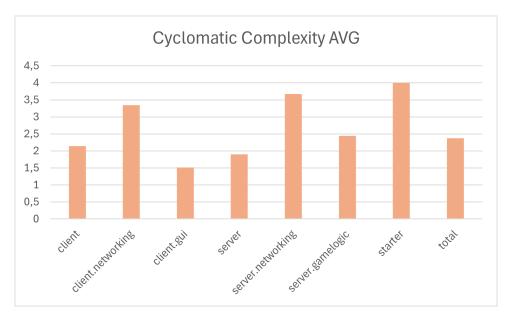


Abbildung 2: Cyclomatic complexity per package.