Worksheet 4

MSC/ICY SOFTWARE WORKSHOP

Assessed Exercise: 9% of the continuous assessment mark.

Submission: Thursday 17 November 2016 2pm

5% late submission penalty within the first 24 hours. No submission after 24 hours.

JavaDoc comments are mandatory. Follow the submission guidelines on https://canvas.bham.ac.uk/files/3242907.

The public tests will be provided a week before the submission deadline.

Note that for exercises 1-4 you have also to provide your own JUnit tests. MSc students have to do all five exercises, ICY students exercises 1-4.

Exercise 1: (Basic, MSc: 20%, ICY: 25%)

- (a) Implement an interface Measurable with the public method signature for a method double getMeasure(). Furthermore, provide implementations for the method in two classes Invoice (with field variables private String accountNumber, private String sortCode, and private double amount) and Patient (with field variables private String name, private int age, and private double weight). Your implementations may be minimal so that they just provide implementations to the Measurable interface so that getMeasure() returns the amount and the weight, respectively.
- (b) Write a class Statistics with two static methods:
 - public static double mean(ArrayList<Measurable> list) and
 - public static double standardDeviation(ArrayList<Measurable> list)

that compute the mean value and the standard deviation of a non-empty ArrayList of elements.

The mean value μ (or arithmetic average) is computed by summing up the elements and dividing by the number of elements. The standard deviation σ is defined as the square root of the average quadratic difference of the elements from the mean value. In formulae this is for n elements a_1, \ldots, a_n (with \sum standing for sum, corresponding to a for loop):

$$\mu = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i - \mu)^2}$$

Exercise 2: (Basic, MSc: 20%, ICY: 25%)

- (a) Implement a Vehicle class with the field variables private double maxSpeed and private int maxPassengers, with a constructor, all getters and setters as well as a public String toString() method which returns a String of the kind:

 "The vehicle has a maximal speed of 24.0 km/h.
 - It carries 1 passenger."

(Note that after a 1 there should follow a singular, for any other value of maxPassengers it should be a plural, i.e., "passengers.")

(b) Write a sub-class Car of the class Vehicle with the additional field variable private double fuelConsumption. Again write a constructor, all getters and setters as well as a public String toString() method which returns a String of the kind:

"The vehicle has a maximal speed of 24.0 km/h.

It carries 2 passengers.

Its fuel consumption is 6.3 1/100km."

Make use of inheritance as much as possible.

Exercise 3: (Medium, MSc: 20%, ICY: 25%)

Assume you want to build a web crawler (an essential part in a web search engine), that is, an engine that starts with a particular web page and then collects web pages which can be reached from this start page by first collecting all web pages that can be reached in a single step from the page. The first step is to collect all these web pages. Write a class WebCrawler that contains a static method public static ArrayList<String> collectUrls(String urlString) which reads the page related to urlString and returns an ArrayList of all the URLs that can be found on the corresponding page urlString (an empty list if the original URL cannot be reached). [You may write auxiliary methods.]

As a starting point look at the Html.java class from the Wednesday lecture in Week 4. In order to find URLs assume that they all have the structure

Computer Science.

From such a String you should extract the String "http://www.cs.bham.ac.uk". In order to find the URLs you can make use of the method public String[] split(String regex), see https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/String.html# split-java.lang.String- for details.

We provide a test file at http://cs.bham.ac.uk/~mmk/teaching/java/test.html for which the method should return an ArrayList<String> corresponding to:

["http://www.cs.bham.ac.uk/", "http://www.eps.bham.ac.uk/",

"http://www.bham.ac.uk", "https://canvas.bham.ac.uk/courses/21955"].

[A full web crawler would remove duplicates and then continue with the extraction of further URLs from these newly found web pages. We are not looking into this here.]

Exercise 4: (Advanced, MSc: 20%, ICY: 25%)

- (a) Write a class ExamQuestion with field variables private String questionText and private int maximalMark. Write a suitable constructor, getters/setters for the two field variables, and a public String toString() method which return for a question with maximally 10 marks and a questionText of "What is 2 times 3?" the string "Question (maximal mark: 10): What is 2 times 3?".
- (b) Write a subclass ExamQuestionNumeric of class ExamQuestion, in which the answer is supposed to be a numerical answer of type int (you have to represent the correct answer).

Write a method public int mark(int value) in the subclass that returns full marks if the answer is correct and 0 otherwise. Furthermore write a suitable public String toString() method, making use of inheritance as far as possible.

E.g. assume a question:

ExamQuestionNumeric q1 = new ExamQuestionNumeric("2+3 = ?", 10, 5);

where 10 is the maximal number of marks and 5 the correct answer.

q1.mark(5) should return 10, whereas q1.mark(6) should return 0.

(c) Write a subclass ExamQuestionSimpleChoice of class ExamQuestion, in which the possibleAnswers are an ArrayList<String>, that is, the answer is supposed to be a choice from the list and the correctAnswer is of type int, representing the position of the correct answer (start counting from 1, since that is what humans normally do).

Write a method public int mark(int value) in the subclass that returns full marks if the answer is correct and 0 otherwise. Furthermore, write a suitable public String toString() method, making use of inheritance as far as possible.

For instance, if the answer to "2+3" is to be tested, it may be possible to offer the values 4, 5, 10, and 20 as possible answers to an ArrayList<String> with ArrayList<String> a = new ArrayList<String>(); and a.add("4"); a.add("5"); a.add("10"); a.add("20"); the right answer to the same question would be 2, (remember, we start counting the answers from 1 here). That is, with ExamQuestionSimpleChoice q2 =

new ExamQuestionSimpleChoice("2+3 = ?", 10, a, 2); we should get from
q2.mark(2) the full 10 marks and from q2.mark(3) 0 marks.

(d) Write a subclass ExamQuestionMultipleChoice of class ExamQuestion, in which the possibleAnswers are an ArrayList<String>, that is, the answer is supposed to be a choice from the list and the correctAnswers is of type ArrayList<Integer>, representing the positions of the correct answers (start counting from 1, since that is what humans normally do).

Write a method public int mark(ArrayList<Integer> answersProvided) in the subclass that computes the points by scaling the difference between the number of correct answers and the number of incorrect answers to the maximal points (but not returning less than 0). Furthermore, write a suitable public String toString() method, making use of inheritance as far as possible.

For instance, if the solutions to "x*x = 4" are to be found, it may be possible to offer the values -2, 0, 2, and 3 as possible answers to an ArrayList<String> with

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ArrayList<String> possibleAnswers = new ArrayList<String>(); and
possibleAnswers.add("-2"); possibleAnswers.add("0");
possibleAnswers.add("2"); possibleAnswers.add("3"); the correct answers to
the same question would be represented in an ArrayList<Integer> with
ArrayList<Integer> correctAnswers = new ArrayList<Integer>(); and
correctAnswers.add(1); correctAnswers.add(3);. That is, with
ExamQuestionMultipleChoice question =
new ExamQuestionSimpleChoice("x*x = 4", 10,
                               possibleAnswers, correctAnswers);
we should get from question.mark(givenAnswers) with an ArrayList<Integer>
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givenAnswers as indicated the following marks:

- [1,3] full marks, i.e., 10.
- [1], [3], [1,2,3], or [1,3,4] half marks, i.e, 5.
- in all other cases (e.g., [1,2] or [1,2,3,4]) no marks, i.e. 0.

Exercise 5: (Advanced, MSc: 20%, ICY: 0%) THIS EXERCISE IS FOR MSc STUDENTS ONLY:

Explain the rationale for the use of object oriented programming (that is, which problem(s) does it address and how) and its limitations (to which degree are the problem(s) not fully solved this way). The explanation should be factual, well argued and supported by references. For answering this question, you should do background reading and make appropriate use of referencing the material that you have read.

Your executive summary – to be included in your zip file – should consist of two A4 pages with point size 11 and be submitted in accessible PDF format.