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Project: TeachConnect

TC is created to help teachers and other educational professionals better manage their contacts and remember their past students. It is tailored for teachers/educational professionals who would prefer to use a Desktop App for managing contacts especially for those who prefer to work with a Command Line Interface (CLI) while still having the benefits of a Graphical User Interface (GUI). If you can type fast, TC will manage your contacts in the wink of an eye!

Code contributed: [\[Functional code\]](#) [\[Test code\]](#)

Enhancement Added: List Display for Shortcut Commands

External behavior

Start of Extract [from: User Guide]

Listing all contact/task/appointment/student : **list** [since v1.4]

Shows a list of all of the specified **TYPE**.

Format: **list TYPE**.

- **TYPE** can be of the following: **contacts**, **students**, **tasks**, **appointments**, **shortcuts**.
- **TYPE** cannot be empty.

Examples:

- **list students**
Lists all student.
- **list tasks**
Lists all task.
- **list shortcuts**
Lists all command shortcuts.

End of Extract

Justification

Teachers or even educational professionals in general have a lot on their hand. When it comes to saving their personalised shortcuts for commands they want, there is a high probability that they

forget the shortcut they assigned.

Showing a list of the shortcut words and the commands to which they have assigned this word will be highly useful for them.

Implementation

Start of Extract [from: Developer Guide]

Personalised Shortcut

Current Implementation

The personalised shortcut uses a `ShortcutDouble` to hold the shortcut word and the command word. There is a `UniqueShortcutDoublesList` to which these `ShortcutDoubles` are added. The comparator in the `ShortcutDouble` accounts to check for any duplicates in the `UniqueShortcutDoublesList`. This list is then added to the `addressbook.xml` so as to load the shortcuts on initialisation. Below is a short code snippet of the constructor of the `ShortcutDouble`:

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public ShortcutCommand(String commandWord, String shortcutWord) {
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Shortcut command extends `UndoableCommand` and hence is undoable. It initially calls a filtered `commandsList` to which a new `ShortcutDouble` is added based on the checks. Below is the implementation of the `executeUndoableCommand()` method in the `ShortcutCommand` class.

```

commandsList = model.getFilteredCommandsList();
    checks for checking if the command is already present...

    ShortcutDoubles toAdd = new ShortcutDoubles(shortcutWord, commandWord);
    try {
        model.addCommandShortcut(toAdd);
    } catch (UniqueShortcutDoublesList.DuplicateShortcutDoublesException e) {
        return new CommandResult(String.format(MESSAGE_SHORTCUT_AVAILABLE));
    }

    returns the success message....

```

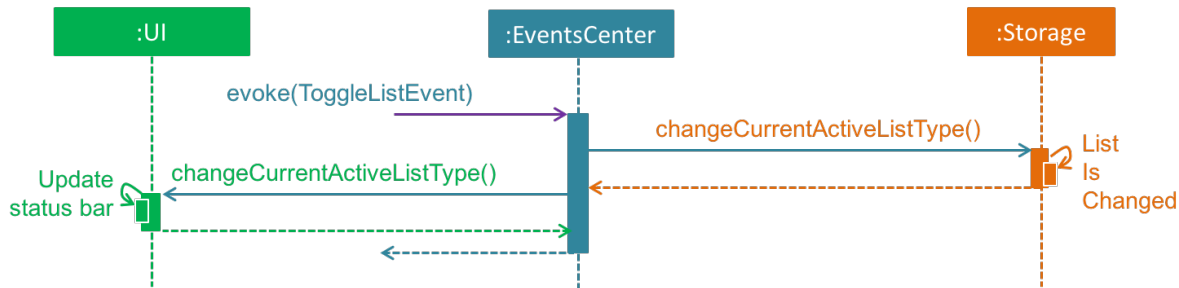
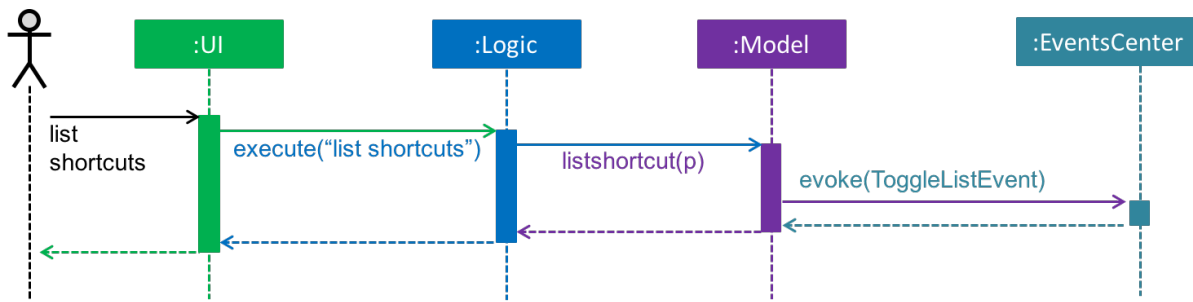
There is a check to find if the command is already present and the method used for this is called `checkIfCommandPresent()`. By default it returns false. Below is a small code snippet to take notice of:

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if (!containsKeyWord(commandWord) || containsKeyWord(shortcutWord)) {
    throw new CommandException(MESSAGE_NO_COMMAND_TO_MAP);
}
for (ShortcutDoubles s : commandsList) {
    if (s.shortcutWord.equals(shortcutWord)) {
        return true;
    }
}
return false;

```

You can also choose to list all the shortcuts created upto now. This displays the `UniqueShortcutDoublesList` instead of the contacts in the list panel. A high level sequence diagram is given below :



As of now the conditions to take note of are: * Shortcut can be only one word. * The command word should already exist. * New commands are to be added in the `commandsPresent` String array.

Design Considerations

Aspects : Implementation Shortcut Command

- **Alternative 1:** Restricting the number of aliases of a command word.
 - Pros: Allows for setting up a shortcut word there by increasing the usability of the app.
 - Cons: Wouldn't help much if the user keeps forgetting the shortcut word too because there is only one shortcut alias and the user might forget it.
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 - Pros: User can create multiple aliases there by giving the user more personalisation and the flexibility of forgetting the words as he can create more of them.
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End of Extract

Enhancement Added: Adding Personalised Shortcut for Commands

External behavior

Start of Extract [from: User Guide]

Adding your own shortcut : `shortcut` [since v1.4]

Sets your own personal shortcut for any of the commands above.

Format: `shortcut` [command word] [shortcut word]

TIP

You can choose multiple shortcuts for the same command.

You can later use these shortcuts in place of the original command even after closing and reopening the app.

You can also set shortcut for the shortcut command.

WARNING

You cannot set the shortcut word to a already preregistered command.

Your shortcut word cannot be more than a single word.

You can always see the list of shortcuts you set using `list shortcuts` as shown in the figure below.

The screenshot shows the TeachConnect application interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with a menu containing two items: "1. add ==> a" and "2. shortcut ==> s". A blue arrow points from the text "List of shortcuts" below the menu to the second item. The main area of the app displays a calendar for Friday, 13. April 2018. The calendar shows a grid of dates with the 13th highlighted. Below the calendar, it says "Agenda for 13 April, 2018 until 13 May, 2018" and "No Entries". To the right of the calendar is a vertical timeline labeled "All Day" with time slots from 2:00 PM to 11:00 PM. The current time, 9:30 PM, is indicated by a red dot. At the bottom of the app, there is a status bar that says "Not updated yet in this session" on the left and ".data/addressbook.xml" on the right.

Figure 10: List of shortcuts stored

Examples:

- `shortcut list l`
Sets `l` as the Personalised Alias for `list` command.
- `shortcut add a`
Sets `a` as the Personalised Alias for `add` command.

End of Extract

Justification

TeachConnect comes with a lot of features and each feature has its own command word. The most gruelling part is remembering the exact command word as stated in the user guide. To overcome this the shortcut command helps keep aliases to the commands there by helping teachers better remember the command words they are comfortable with.

This also eliminates the need for a common shortcut word which many teachers might not be comfortable with. Hence this command is a twist of personalisation packed with the essence of comfort.

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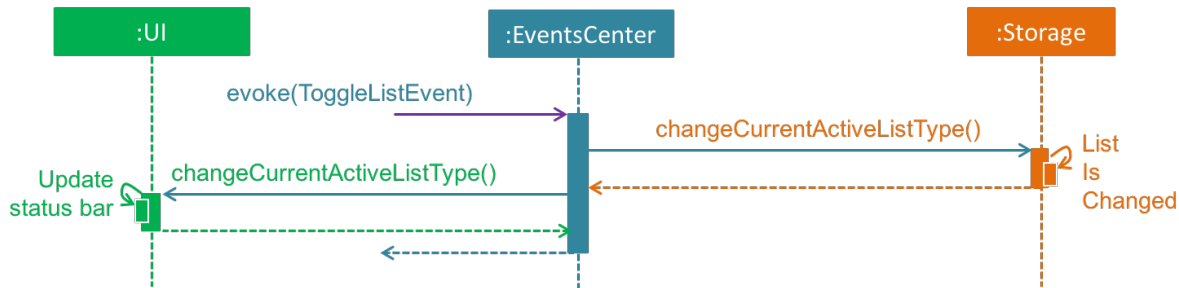
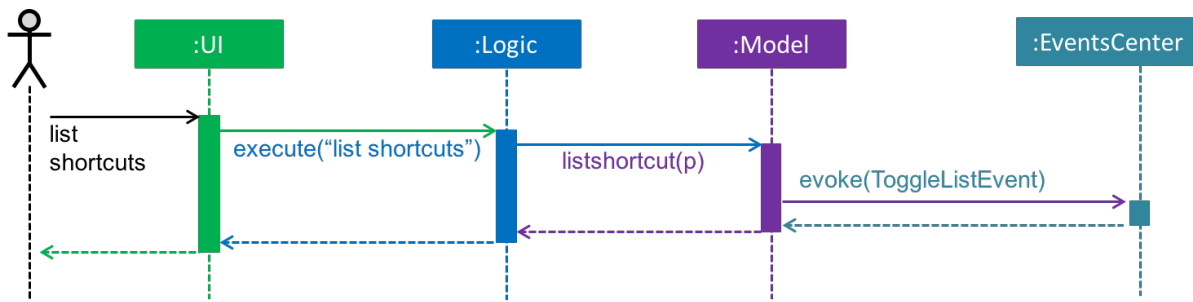
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Enhancement Added: Deleting Shortcut Commands

External behavior

Start of Extract [from: User Guide]

Deleting your personalised Alias : `delete_shortcut` [since v1.4]

Deletes your personalised Alias if you don't want them or if you created them by mistake.

Format: `delete_shortcut` [command word] [shortcut word]

TIP

You can choose to just undo the `delete_shortcut` if you delete a shortcut by mistake. Listing all the shortcuts using the `list shortcuts` command as mentioned above might help in seeing all the shortcuts at once.

WARNING

You can only delete shortcuts that you have already added.

Examples:

- `delete_shortcut list l`
Deletes the Personalised Alias `l` for `list` command.
- `delete_shortcut add a`
Deletes the Personalised Alias `a` for `add` command.

End of Extract

Justification

Mistakes are bound to happen and as long as teachers are humans there is a chance that they might make a mistake. In cases when a teacher assigns a wrong shortcut word to a wrong command word or wants to erase the shortcut entirely, this delete shortcut command comes in handy.

There is also a big chance that the assigned number of alias or shortcuts to a certain key word has become huge and the user wants to clear up a few of them. In cases like this too the delete shortcut command is of utmost use.

Implementation

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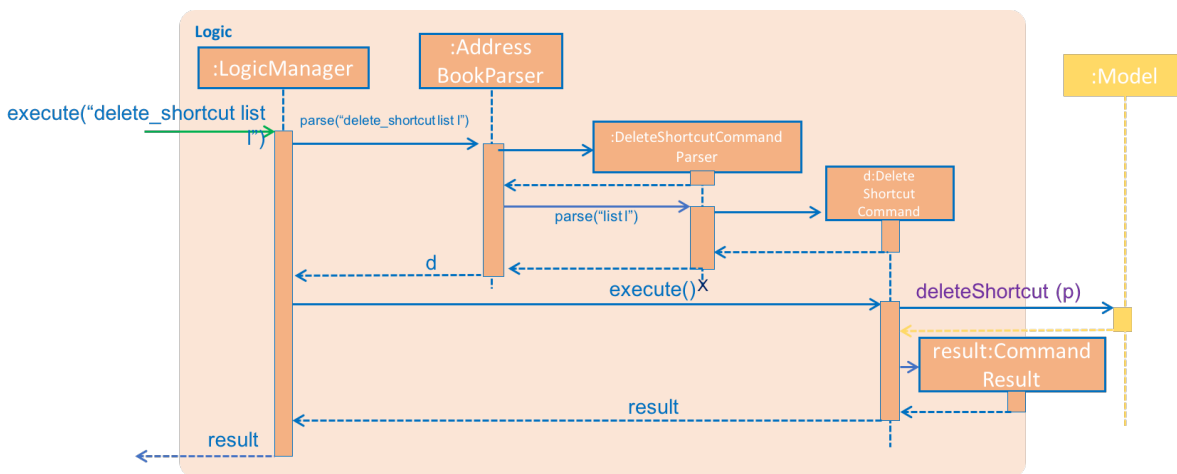
Deleting Personalised Shortcut

Current Implementation

The personalised shortcut uses a `ShortcutDouble` to hold the shortcut word and the command word. There is a `UniqueShortcutDoublesList` to which these `ShortcutDoubles` are added. The comparator in the `ShortcutDouble` accounts to check for any duplicates in the `UniqueShortcutDoublesList`. This list is then added to the `addressbook.xml` so as to load the shortcuts on initialisation. Below is a short code snippet of the constructor of the `ShortcutDouble`:

```
public ShortcutDoubles(String shortcutWord, String commandWord) {
    this.shortcutWord = shortcutWord;
    this.commandWord = commandWord;
}
```

This `ShortcutDouble` can be deleted using the `DeleteShortcutCommand`. The sequence diagram is below :



Below is the constructor to the `DeleteShortcutCommand`:

```
public DeleteShortcutCommand(String commandWord, String shortcutWord) {
    this.commandWord = commandWord;
    this.shortcutWord = shortcutWord;
    commandShortcut = new ShortcutDoubles(shortcutWord, commandWord);
}
```

`DeleteShortcut` command extends `UndoableCommand` and hence is undoable. It calls the method `deleteCommandShortcut()` in the model class to achieve its objective. Below is a code snippet of the `executeUndoableCommand()` used to for deleting the shortcut:

```
try {
    model.deleteCommandShortcut(commandShortcut);
} catch (UniqueShortcutDoublesList.CommandShortcutNotFoundException csnf) {
    throw new CommandException("Please enter a valid Shortcut Command you have
saved");
}
returns the success message....
```

There is a check to find if the shortcut is already present or not and `CommandShortcutNotFoundException` is thrown if the shortcut is not present.

As of now the conditions to take note of are: * DeleteShortcut can be only delete something if the command is already present.

Design Considerations

Aspects : Validity of the Delete Shortcut Command

- **Alternative 1:** Omit the delete shortcut command.
 - Pros: Would require less implementation considering the fact that the shortcut has been added by the user.
 - Cons: Would not give the user any room for mistake or change of mind as once added cannot be deleted.
- **Alternative 2 (current choice):** Include the delete shortcut command.
 - Pros: Will give the user the room to make mistake and change the shortcuts if needed. Would also help him in clearing the clutter of shortcuts which would have developed over time.
 - Cons: Will have to take care of various edge cases when the shortcuts are not present and keep modifying the dynamic list. Several relevant exceptions have to be thrown and taken care of.

End of Extract

Enhancement Added: Importing Contacts

External behavior

Start of Extract [from: User Guide]

Importing the contacts : `import` [since v1.4]

Imports contacts from a different TeachConnect file by specifying the location of the file. This automatically imports all the students, classes and any other contacts present in the import file.

Format: `import pathname`

Examples:

- Imports Contacts : `import ../data/importsample.xml`

End of Extract

Justification

Teachers are highly socializable people and there is a high probability that they will want to import contacts from other teachers regarding students' contact details. In contexts like these importing contacts is of utmost importance.

There might also be cases where teachers might take over a class from another teacher and hence it should be made easy to transfer all the student details from one teacher's TeachConnect to the other teacher's TeachConnect.

Implementation

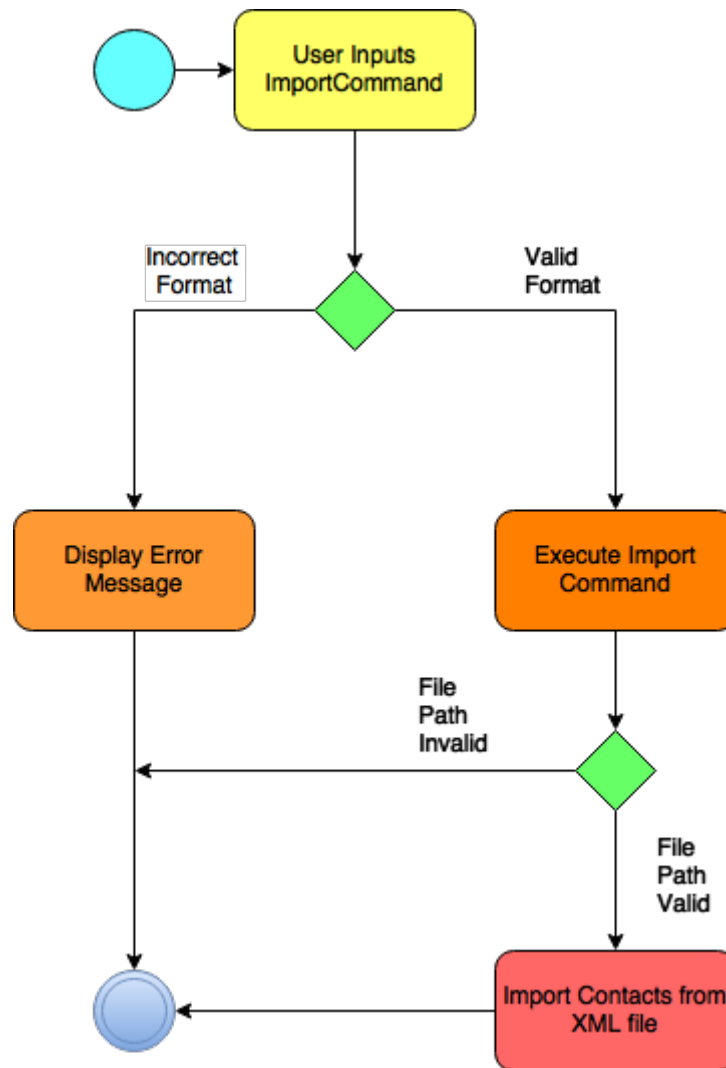
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Import Contacts

Current Implementation

The ImportCommand uses `XmlAddressBookStorage` to generate a temporary `AddressBook` object from a given path. It takes in a String value path. The command then adds the contacts or the classes found in the temporary `AddressBook` object into the main address book object. Below is the rough idea of the constructor for the class:

```
public ImportCommand(String importPath) {  
    requireNonNull(importPath);  
    this.filePath = importPath;  
    addressBookStorage = new XmlAddressBookStorage(filePath);  
}
```



Import command extends **Undoable Command** and hence Undo can be called on it. It initially checks if the given file path is valid and if so initialises the contacts from there, creates a **Person** object and adds it to the current **TeachConnect** with the help of **model**. For importing classes class objects are first created and students related to the classes are stored before being added to the model. The code can be found below.

```

public CommandResult executeUndoableCommand() throws CommandException {
    peopleToBeImported(people);
    studentToBeImported(students);
    classesToBeImported(students, classes);

    return new CommandResult(MESSAGE_SUCCESS);
}

```

Design Considerations

Aspects : Implementation Import Command

- **Alternative 1 (current choice):** Only import from an **XML** file.
 - Pros: Goes well with the idea of TeachConnect. Easier to implement and also clear distinction of the file that needs to be imported by the user with the help of the .XML

extension.

- Cons: User might want to import from Excel only to realise this isn't possible.
- **Alternative 2:** Include import from an **Excel** file too.
 - Pros: Might be more intuitive for the user and might come in handy.
 - Cons: Will not really help the user distinguish the exact file to be imported. Care has to be taken so that the input by the user follows a certain format to parse the content properly.

End of Extract

Enhancement Added: Export Command

External behavior

Start of Extract [from: User Guide]

Exporting the contacts or classes : **export** [since v1.4]

Exports contacts from your TeachConnect by specifying the name of the file you want to save it in and the path where you want to save it. It can export the contacts/students based on a given range of indexes or a given tag or a given tag in a range of indexes. Alternatively you can choose to export all the classes with the students in them. By specifying the type of the export you want it saves either only the xml file or the Csv file.

Format: **export** n/NAME r/RANGE [t/TAG] p/PATH te/TYPE

Format: **export classes** n/NAME p/PATH te/TYPE

- Here TYPE refers to the kind of export you want to do.
- **TYPE** can be either excel or xml.

TIP

You can export all the people at once, all the people with a certain tag at once, all the people with a certain tag in a range at once or all the people in a range with any tags in a single command.

You can also choose to export it in Csv format which you can later open in Excel.

You can also choose to export all the classes and the students in it using the export class format.

WARNING

You can only export all or people based on one or zero tags.

Be careful about the parameter value for the format type. It has to exactly be either **xml** or **excel**.

Examples:

- Exports contacts : `export n/StudentsFile1 r/all t/students p/./data te/xml`
- Exports contacts : `export n/StudentsFile2 r/1,10 t/students p/./data te/excel`

End of Extract

Justification

For teachers to share contacts when a new teacher takes up a class or just when a new teacher asks for contact details it is necessary to have the export comand.

Since exporting all of the contacts might be redundant and also neglects some confidential contacts, the export command has the feature of exporting a single person or a range of contacts based on tags or just indexes.

Another very important feature is to export to a CSV file (which can be opened in excel) for them to later create or print Contact Books like the older days address book.

Implementation

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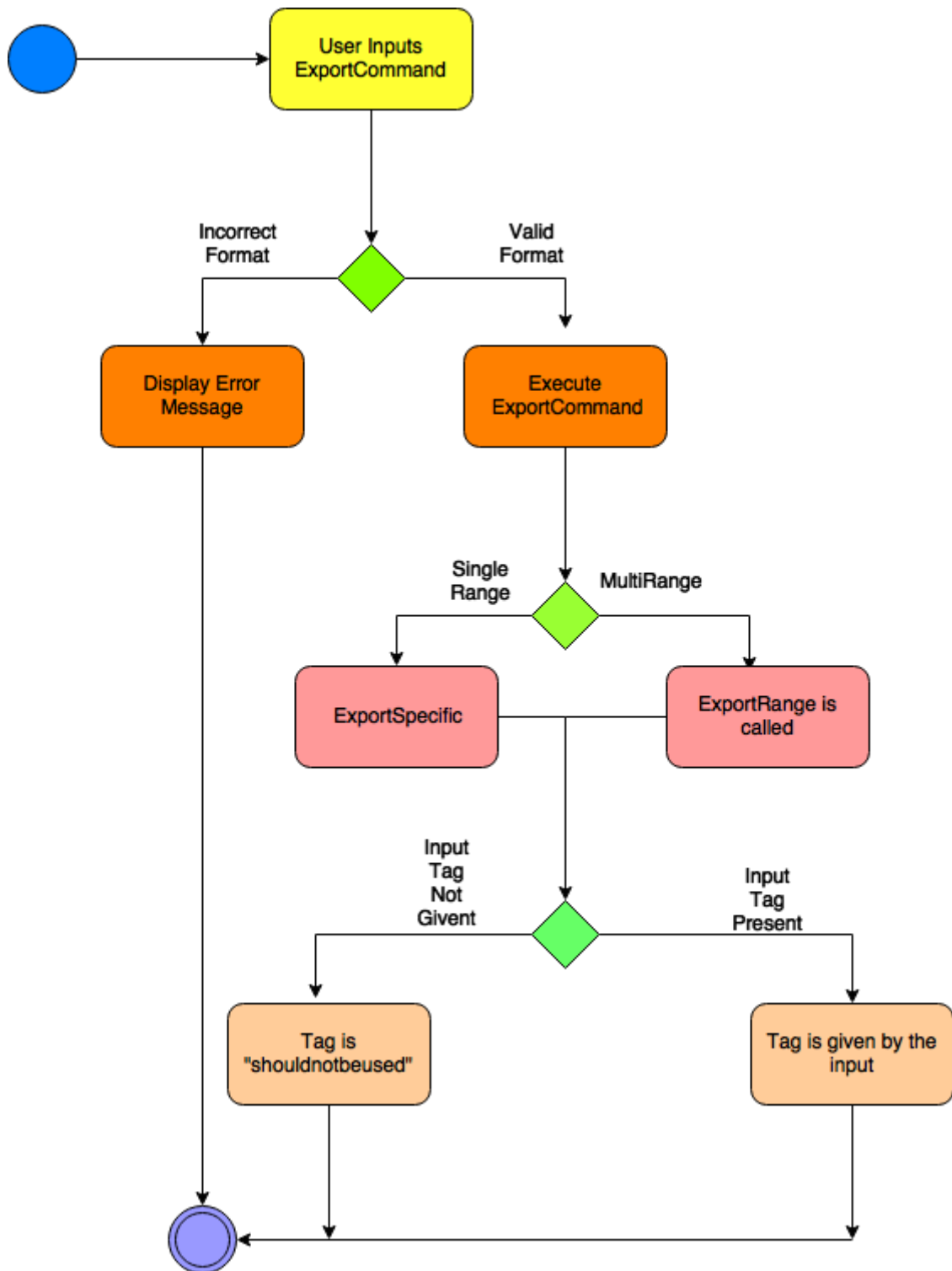
Export contacts

Current Implementation

The `ExportCommand` uses `XmlAddressBookStorage` class to generate a xml file based on a given range/index/tag and save it to the location specified with the chosen file name. It takes in String `name` String `range` Tag `tag` String `path` String `type`. It is also possible to export classes with String `path` String `name` String `type` as parameters. The tag is not compulsory and can be excluded or included depending on the user. Below is the basic idea of the constructor for the class:

```
ExportCommand(String range, Tag tag, String path, String nameOfExportFile, String
type) {
    this.range = range;
    this.path = path;
    thispublic.tag = tag;
    this.nameOfExportFile = nameOfExportFile;
    this.type = type;

    teachConnectBook = new AddressBook();
}
```

The method `handleRange()` splits the range using a separator [, in this case] and returns a `String` array with the upper bound and lower bound as values. In some cases it also returns `all` or the single `index` that has to be exported. Based on the type it also exports to an excel format or XML format.

Below is an extract of the method `handleRange()`:

```

public String[] handleRange() throws IOException {
    String[] rangeStringArray = this.range.split(",");
    if (rangeStringArray.length > 2) {
        throw new IOException();
    }
    return rangeStringArray;
}

```

Choosing to export classes follows a different pattern. It exports all the classes and the students related to those classes.

Any range with more than 2 values in the String array returned throws an IO Exception. To add the contacts to the export file, contacts are added to the `teachConnectBook`. There are 4 individual cases and multiple combinations of these:

- All (Without a tag)
 - if the word `all` is present in the user input, we will just export all the contacts from the last shown list.
- All (With a Tag)
 - if the word `all` is present along with a tag specified in the user input, we will just export all the contacts with that particular tag from the last shown list
- Specific index (e.g. 1, 2, 3)
 - if the user input contains a specific index, we will add that index (one-based) to the `teachConnectBook`.
- Range of indexes (e.g. 1,5)
 - if the user input contains a range which is identified by the `,` character, we will add that range of index (one-based) to the `teachConnectBook` including the lower range but excluding the upper bound.
- Range of indexes (with a tag)
 - if the user input contains a range which is identified by the `,` character along with the tag, we will add that range of index (one-based) to the `teachConnectBook` if that contact contains that particular tag including the lower range but excluding the upper bound.

Below is the code snippet to identify the three cases in the user input:

```
String[] rangeGiven;
    try {
        rangeGiven = handleRange();
    } catch (IOException e) {
        return new CommandResult(MESSAGE_RANGE_ERROR);
    }

    try {
        handledRangeSituation = handleRangeArray(rangeGiven);
    } catch (DuplicatePersonException e) {
        return new CommandResult(MESSAGE_FAIL);
    } catch (IndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
        return new CommandResult(MESSAGE_OUT_OF_BOUNDS);
    }

    if (handledRangeSituation != null) {
        return handledRangeSituation;
    }
    ....Storage part comes here
```

The final step is to create the xml/excel file from the `teachConnectBook`.

Below is the code snippet to export the data into an xml file using `AddressBookStorage`.

```
teachConnectStorage = new XmlAddressBookStorage(path + "/" + nameOfExportFile +
".xml");
    try {
        teachConnectStorage.saveAddressBook(teachConnectBook);
    } catch (IOException e) {
        return new CommandResult(MESSAGE_FAIL);
    }
    return new CommandResult(MESSAGE_SUCCESS);
```

Depending on the type of export it can also be exported to an excel format using an arrayList called `exportAddition`.

Below is the code snippet to export the data into an excel file.

```

CSVPrinter csvPrinter;
    try {
        csvPrinter = csvFileToBeWritten(isClassesOrNot);
    } catch (IOException e) {
        throw new CommandException(String.format(MESSAGE_FAIL));
    }

    if (isClassesOrNot) {
        saveAsCsvClasses(csvPrinter);
    } else {
        saveAsCsvPersons(csvPrinter);
    }

    try {
        csvPrinter.flush();
    } catch (IOException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
    }
    exceptions are to be handled...

```

Design Considerations

Aspects : Implementation Export Command

- **Alternative 1:** Only export to an **XML** file.
 - Pros: Easier implementation and very helpful for the import command as import can only be done from an XML file.
 - Cons: The exported file might not be very user friendly to read in the xml file format and hence later referencing to the file after exporting can be a nightmare.
- **Alternative 2 (current choice):** Include export to an **Excel** file too.
 - Pros: Might be more intuitive for the user and might come in handy especially when the user wants to print it or later read the contents in a user friendly format.
 - Cons: Complex implementation there by giving rise to more boundary cases to consider.

End of Extract

Other contributions

- Created and set up the team repo including the Travis checks,Coveralls,Auto Publishing and Badges.
- Managed all Issues and Milestone by managing the project and assigning work.
- Wrote additional tests to increase coverage.
- Took the role of Team Leader to make important decisions regarding development of product.

- Managed GitHub effectively to keep track of issues, merging Pull requests by resolving conflicts and keeping track of deadlines so that the weekly releases are made on time with a working product.
- Fixed various(5+) bugs in the product including some bugs which existed previously in the product. [Pull Request Bug Fix Example](#)
- Added several Use Cases for features in Developed Guide.
- Improved User Interface design by changing the orientation and location of various parts of UI.
- Helped teammate create his first PR along with helping him setup git and checkstyle. [Pull Request AutoSort](#).
- Contributed in User Guide and Developer Guide to enhance its language [Pull Request Developer Guide Update](#).
- Helped people on the forum with their technical difficulties.
- Managed all final submissions for CS2103T and CS2101.
- Helped in Collating of codes of everyone [Pull Request Collate](#).