CSE461 – Software Engineering

Unit 1 project – Bowling Alley Simulation Refactoring

(Due 12th February, 5:00 pm)

For this project you will analyze and refactor the design and implementation of an existing software system. Your team will reverse engineer the design from existing code and documentation; and propose refactoring to improve the program's structure for future maintenance and evolution. Second year undergraduate students at RIT implemented the software system. You can analyze the code base using a system like Eclipse metrics plug-in (metrics.sourceforge.net). The metrics plug-in is an old system and requires Eclipse 3.1. Feel free to use a metrics analysis system that might be more recent.

Principles such as coupling, cohesion, delegation vs. inheritance, assignment of responsibilities, elimination of bad code smells, metric values, etc. should be in your consideration while choosing the metrics plug-in for doing the analysis and refactoring. The refactored design should have some connection to the original design; the intention is not to throw away the design and start with a clean sheet of paper. The new implementation should not have any behavioral change.

Each team should document their analysis of the existing design including its strengths and weaknesses in the dimensions of the design principles mentioned in the previous paragraph, and the suggested refactoring to improve the design. The refactorings must be documented in a tabular format. The refactored design should be presented using UML diagrams (class and sequence diagrams). To highlight the improvements you made by refactoring the design, show sequence diagrams for two important operations executing in the original design and in your refactored design.

It's important to analyze the system pre- and post- refactoring to provide the appropriate metric values.

NOTE: The system was developed in an earlier version of Java that did not support templates; your refactoring should *not* focus on this aspect of the original system.

Submission Instructions

- 1. Create a zip file named **TeamMembers_Unit1.zip** (where **TeamMembers** are your team members first names) containing three directories name src (for source code), doc (for the major document), misc (for all miscellaneous documents)
 - a. The src directory should contain all the source code (appropriately packaged if necessary)
 - b. The doc directory should contain a single design document in either MS Word or PDF format. It should contain the information specified below. *Note it would not be an effective presentation of your design*

to take each item below, stack them one after the other and staple it together. You need to weave this information through your document in a manner that tells a cohesive story with prose guiding the reader and tying the sections together.

- i. Title information, including the name of the project, the date of submission, a list of all the team members, effort (number of hours) put in by each team member, role played by each team member.
- ii. A short overview section describing the product and the features included.
- iii. One or more UML class diagrams showing the main classes and interfaces in your design, along with inheritance (generalization), association, aggregation, and composition relationships. Include cardinality and role indicators as you deem appropriate to make the diagram clear. Indicate the role a class plays in any patterns in which it participates. DO NOT include state or method information. You may need several class diagrams at different levels of abstraction and for different subsystems to completely document your design in a way that the reader can physically see and intelligently understand.
- iv. One or more other UML diagrams (e.g., sequence diagrams) to provide insight into the key static and dynamic characteristics of the program both before and after refactoring.
- v. A table summarizing the responsibility(ies) of each major class.
- vi. A narrative analyzing the original design (note: the "original" design is what is in the code you reverse engineered), its weaknesses and strengths, fidelity to the design documentation, and use of design patterns.
- vii. A narrative outlining how the refactored design reflects a balance among competing criteria such as low coupling, high cohesion, separation of concerns, information hiding, the Law of Demeter, extensibility, reusability, etc. This should include a discussion of the design patterns used to achieve this balance.
- viii. Discussion of your metrics analysis of up to eight metric values including answers to the following questions:
 - 1. What were the metrics for the code base? What did these initial measurements tell you about the system.
 - 2. How did you use these measurements to guide your refactoring?
 - 3. How did your refactoring affect the metrics? Did your refactoring improve the metrics? In all areas? In some areas? What contributed to these results?
- c. In the misc document, you may put in all the miscellaneous management related documents. For example, task trackers, meeting minutes, etc.
- 2. Upload the zip file to U1 Project dropbox in the *Courses* portal.