ASSIGNMENT 02

CONCEPTUAL & TECHNICAL DESIGN

MindMate

Your Campus Wellness & Productivity Companion

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1 TASK 1: CLASS IDENTIFICATION

This section provides a comprehensive identification of all classes in the MindMate system, organized by architectural layers following the sample structure.

1.1 LAYER 1 — DOMAIN LAYER (Core Business Objects)

1.1.1 1. User

Purpose: Represents all users in the system (Student, Advisor, Admin).
Responsibilities:

- Manage authentication credentials
- Maintain profile information
- Handle role-based access control
- Store user preferences

Key Attributes:

- userId, name, email, passwordHash
- role (STUDENT, ADVISOR, ADMIN)
- dateJoined, lastLogin

Key Methods:

- updateProfile(), getRole(), validateCredentials()
- login(), logout()

Relationships:

- **Inheritance:** Parent of Student and Advisor classes
- **Association:** With AuthenticationService (1-to-1)
- **Dependency:** Used by UserService

1.1.2 2. Student

Purpose: Represents a student user who tracks wellness and productivity.
Responsibilities:

- Record mood entries and track emotional well-being
- Maintain personal journal entries
- Manage academic and personal tasks
- Receive wellness alerts and recommendations

Key Attributes:

- academicYear, major, studentId
- emergencyContacts[], wellnessScore

Key Methods:

- getMoodHistory(), getJournalEntries(), getTasks()
- receiveWellnessAlert(), updateWellnessScore()

Relationships:

- **Inheritance:** Extends User class
- **Aggregation:** Contains MoodEntry[], JournalEntry[], Task[]
- **Association:** With Advisor (many-to-many)
- **Dependency:** Used by MoodTracker and TaskManager

1.1.3 3. Advisor

Purpose: Represents an advisor who monitors student wellness and provides support.
Responsibilities:

- Monitor anonymized student wellness data
- Generate wellness reports and insights
- Send alerts to at-risk students
- Manage assigned student caseload

Key Attributes:

- department, specialization, advisorId
- assignedStudents[], accessLevel

Key Methods:

- viewStudentWellness(), generateReport(), sendAlert()
- assignToStudent(), updateStudentNotes()

Relationships:

- **Inheritance:** Extends User class
- **Association:** With Student (many-to-many)
- **Aggregation:** Contains WellnessReport[]
- **Dependency:** Used by AdvisorDashboard

1.1.4 4. MoodEntry

Purpose: Represents a single mood recording instance with emotional context.

Responsibilities:

- Store mood level and emotional state
- Record timestamp and contextual notes
- Trigger analysis when negative mood detected
- Maintain mood history for pattern analysis

Key Attributes:

- entryId, studentId, moodLevel (1-5)
- emotions[], timestamp, notes, triggerFlags

Key Methods:

- analyzeSentiment(), triggerFollowUp()
- calculateWellnessImpact()

Relationships:

- **Association:** Many-to-one with Student
- **Dependency:** Used by MoodAnalyzer and BurnoutDetectionEngine
- **Aggregation:** Part of MoodTracker collection

1.1.5 5. JournalEntry

Purpose: Represents a personal journal entry for emotional expression and reflection.

Responsibilities:

- Store journal content and metadata
- Maintain privacy and access controls
- Support emotional processing and reflection
- Enable search and retrieval

Key Attributes:

- entryId, studentId, content, timestamp
- tags[], moodContext, isPrivate

Key Methods:

- saveEntry(), editEntry(), deleteEntry()
- analyzeEmotionalContent(), generateInsights()

Relationships:

- **Association:** Many-to-one with Student
- **Dependency:** Used by JournalManager and SentimentAnalyzer
- **Composition:** Contains JournalContent and JournalMetadata

1.1.6 6. Task

Purpose: Represents an academic or personal productivity task.

Responsibilities:

- Store task details and deadlines
- Track completion status and progress
- Manage priorities and categories
- Support task scheduling and reminders

Key Attributes:

- taskId, studentId, title, description
- dueDate, priority, status, category

Key Methods:

- createTask(), completeTask(), updateTask()
- calculateUrgency(), sendReminder()

Relationships:

- **Association:** Many-to-one with Student
- **Dependency:** Used by TaskManager and ProductivityAnalyzer
- **Aggregation:** Part of TaskManager collection

1.1.7 7. EmergencyContact

Purpose: Represents an emergency contact for crisis situations.

Responsibilities:

- Store contact information and relationship
- Manage contact preferences and availability
- Support emergency notification system
- Maintain contact verification status

Key Attributes:

- contactId, studentId, name, phone, email
- relationship, priority, isVerified

Key Methods:

- validateContact(), sendEmergencyAlert()
- updateContactInfo()

Relationships:

- **Association:** Many-to-one with Student
- **Dependency:** Used by EmergencyContactManager
- **Aggregation:** Part of Student's emergency contacts

1.2 LAYER 2 — SERVICE LAYER (Business Logic)

1.2.1 8. UserService

Purpose: Handles user registration, authentication, and profile management.
Responsibilities:

- Register new users with validation
- Authenticate login attempts and manage sessions
- Handle password reset and security questions
- Update user profiles and preferences

Collaborators:

- UserRepository, EncryptionService, JwtService
- ValidationService, User

1.2.2 9. MoodService

Purpose: Orchestrates mood tracking and emotional analysis operations.
Responsibilities:

- Record and validate mood entries
- Analyze mood patterns and trends
- Detect burnout and stress indicators
- Generate personalized mood insights

Collaborators:

- MoodRepository, BurnoutDetectionEngine
- NotificationService, MoodEntry

1.2.3 10. JournalService

Purpose: Manages journal entry creation, storage, and analysis.
Responsibilities:

- Create and retrieve journal entries
- Analyze emotional content in entries
- Generate contextual writing prompts
- Maintain journal entry privacy

Collaborators:

- JournalRepository, SentimentAnalysisService
- JournalPromptGenerator, JournalEntry

1.2.4 11. TaskService

Purpose: Handles task management and productivity tracking.
Responsibilities:

- Create, update, and delete tasks
- Analyze task completion patterns
- Generate productivity suggestions
- Manage task priorities and deadlines

Collaborators:

- TaskRepository, CalendarService
- ProductivityAnalyzer, Task

1.2.5 12. BurnoutDetectionEngine

Purpose: Analyzes wellness data to detect burnout risk and provide early warnings.
Responsibilities:

- Analyze mood trends for burnout indicators
- Monitor task overload and academic pressure
- Calculate comprehensive burnout risk scores
- Trigger proactive alerts and recommendations

Collaborators:

- MoodService, TaskService, NotificationService
- Student, Advisor

1.2.6 13. NotificationService

Purpose: Manages and delivers system notifications and alerts.
Responsibilities:

- Queue and prioritize notification messages
- Deliver alerts through multiple channels
- Track notification delivery status
- Manage user notification preferences

Collaborators:

- NotificationGateway, UserService
- SMSService, EmailService, PushService

1.3 LAYER 3 — REPOSITORY LAYER

1.3.1 14. UserRepository

Purpose: Handles database operations for User entities.
Relationships:

- **Association:** With User entity
- **Dependency:** Uses DatabaseConnection

1.3.2 15. MoodRepository

Purpose: Manages persistence of MoodEntry objects and mood history.
Relationships:

- **Association:** With MoodEntry entity
- **Dependency:** Uses DatabaseConnection

1.3.3 16. JournalRepository

Purpose: Handles storage and retrieval of JournalEntry objects.
Relationships:

- **Association:** With JournalEntry entity
- **Dependency:** Uses DatabaseConnection

1.3.4 17. TaskRepository

Purpose: Manages persistence operations for Task entities.
Relationships:

- **Association:** With Task entity
- **Dependency:** Uses DatabaseConnection

1.3.5 18. EmergencyContactRepository

Purpose: Handles database operations for EmergencyContact entities.
Relationships:

- **Association:** With EmergencyContact entity
- **Dependency:** Uses DatabaseConnection

1.4 LAYER 4 — CONTROLLER LAYER (API Endpoints)

1.4.1 19. AuthController

Endpoints:

- signup(), login(), logout(), resetPassword()

Relationships:

- **Association:** With UserService
- **Dependency:** Uses SignupRequestDTO, LoginRequestDTO

1.4.2 20. MoodController

Endpoints:

- recordMood(), getMoodHistory(), getMoodInsights()

Relationships:

- **Association:** With MoodService
- **Dependency:** Uses MoodRequestDTO, MoodResponseDTO

1.4.3 21. JournalController

Endpoints:

- createEntry(), getEntries(), deleteEntry(), getPrompts()

Relationships:

- **Association:** With JournalService
- **Dependency:** Uses JournalRequestDTO, JournalResponseDTO

1.4.4 22. TaskController

Endpoints:

- createTask(), updateTask(), getTasks(), deleteTask()

Relationships:

- **Association:** With TaskService
- **Dependency:** Uses TaskRequestDTO, TaskResponseDTO

1.4.5 23. AdvisorController

Endpoints:

- getStudentWellness(), generateReport(), sendAlert()

Relationships:

- **Association:** With AdvisorService
- **Dependency:** Uses ReportRequestDTO, AlertRequestDTO

1.5 LAYER 5 — SECURITY LAYER

1.5.1 24. JwtService

Purpose: Handles JWT token generation, validation, and management.
Responsibilities:

- Generate secure JWT tokens for authentication
- Validate token authenticity and expiration
- Extract user claims and permissions from tokens
- Manage token refresh cycles

Relationships:

- **Association:** With UserService
- **Dependency:** Used by SecurityConfig and AuthController

1.5.2 25. EncryptionService

Purpose: Provides encryption, hashing, and data security utilities.
Responsibilities:

- Hash passwords using secure algorithms
- Encrypt sensitive user data
- Validate encrypted content integrity
- Manage encryption keys securely

Relationships:

- **Association:** With UserRepository and MoodRepository
- **Dependency:** Used by all services handling sensitive data

1.5.3 26. SecurityConfig

Purpose: Configures application security and access controls.
Responsibilities:

- Configure authentication and authorization rules
- Protect API endpoints based on user roles
- Manage CORS and CSRF protection
- Set up security filters and interceptors

Relationships:

- **Association:** With JwtService and UserService
- **Dependency:** Configures entire security infrastructure

1.6 LAYER 6 — DTO LAYER

1.6.1 27. LoginRequestDTO

Purpose: Transfers login credentials from frontend to backend.
Attributes: email, password, rememberMe

1.6.2 28. SignupRequestDTO

Purpose: Transfers user registration data between layers.
Attributes: name, email, password, role, academicInfo

1.6.3 29. MoodEntryDTO

Purpose: Transfers mood entry data between presentation and service layers.
Attributes: moodLevel, emotions, notes, timestamp, context

1.6.4 30. JournalEntryDTO

Purpose: Transfers journal content and metadata.
Attributes: content, tags, moodContext, isPrivate, timestamp

1.6.5 31. TaskRequestDTO

Purpose: Transfers task creation and update data.
Attributes: title, description, dueDate, priority, category

1.6.6 32. WellnessReportDTO

Purpose: Transfers anonymized wellness data to advisors.
Attributes: studentId (anonymized), wellnessScore, riskLevel, trends

2 TASK 2: CRC CARDS (CONCEPTUAL DESIGN)

This section presents the CRC (Class-Responsibility-Collaborator) cards for the major classes in the MindMate system.

2.1 CRC Card 1: User

CRC Card

User
Responsibilities:

- Manage user profile information
- Store authentication credentials
- Maintain user preferences
- Handle profile updates

Collaborators:

- UserRepository
- AuthenticationService
- EncryptionService

Notes: Base class for Student and Advisor; Abstract concept representing any system user

2.2 CRC Card 2: Student

CRC Card

Student
Responsibilities:

- Track personal wellness data
- Access mood tracking features
- Create and manage journal entries
- Manage productivity tasks
- Access emergency contacts
- Receive wellness alerts

Collaborators:

- MoodTracker
- JournalManager
- TaskManager
- NotificationService
- BurnoutDetectionEngine

Notes: Inherits from User; Primary system user; Has aggregated collections of MoodEntry, JournalEntry, Task

2.3 CRC Card 3: Advisor

CRC Card

Advisor
Responsibilities:

- View aggregated and anonymized student wellness trends
- Receive alerts for students at high risk of burnout
- Access a list of students needing outreach
- Manage advisor-specific notes on student cases

Collaborators:

- Student
- BurnoutDetectionEngine
- NotificationService
- AnalyticsService

Notes: Inherits from User; Has a view into student wellness without accessing private details like journal entries

2.4 CRC Card 4: MoodTracker

CRC Card

MoodTracker
Responsibilities:

- Provide interface for logging mood entries
- Store and retrieve historical mood data
- Calculate short-term mood trends
- Trigger alerts for persistent low mood

Collaborators:

- Student
- MoodEntry
- AnalyticsService
- BurnoutDetectionEngine

Notes: Manages the lifecycle of MoodEntry objects. Central component for emotional state monitoring

2.5 CRC Card 5: JournalManager

CRC Card

JournalManager
Responsibilities:

- Create, read, update, and delete journal entries
- Tag entries with emotional or thematic labels
- Provide search and filter functionality for past entries
- Maintain journal entry privacy and access control

Collaborators:

- Student
- JournalEntry
- EncryptionService (for sensitive data)

Notes: Handles all journal-related operations. Ensures that journal data is private to the Student

2.6 CRC Card 6: TaskManager

CRC Card

TaskManager
Responsibilities:

- Create, assign due dates, and mark tasks as complete
- Organize tasks into projects or categories
- Provide reminders for upcoming or overdue tasks
- Analyze task completion rates and workload

Collaborators:

- Student
- Task
- NotificationService
- BurnoutDetectionEngine

Notes: Helps students manage academic and personal productivity. Task data is used for burnout risk assessment

2.7 CRC Card 7: BurnoutDetectionEngine

CRC Card

BurnoutDetectionEngine
Responsibilities:

- Analyze user data (mood, task load, journal sentiment) for risk patterns
- Calculate a burnout risk score
- Flag students who meet high-risk criteria
- Notify the student and their advisor upon high-risk detection

Collaborators:

- Student
- Advisor
- MoodTracker
- TaskManager
- JournalManager (for sentiment analysis)
- NotificationService

Notes: The core "intelligence" of the system. Uses a defined algorithm to proactively identify at-risk students

2.8 CRC Card 8: NotificationService

CRC Card

NotificationService
Responsibilities:

- Send wellness alerts and reminders to students
- Push high-risk burnout alerts to advisors
- Manage notification preferences (e.g., email, in-app)
- Schedule and queue outgoing messages

Collaborators:

- Student
- Advisor
- BurnoutDetectionEngine
- TaskManager

Notes: A central service for all outbound communication. Decouples the detection of events from the act of notifying users

3 TASK 3: UML CLASS DIAGRAM (TECHNICAL DESIGN)

This section presents the comprehensive UML Class Diagram for the MindMate system, showing all classes, their relationships, attributes, methods, and cardinality.

Information

Diagram Overview: The UML Class Diagram follows the six-layer architecture:

1. Domain Layer (Core Business Objects)
2. Service Layer (Business Logic)
3. Repository Layer (Persistence)
4. Controller Layer (API Endpoints)
5. Security Layer (Authentication & Authorization)
6. DTO Layer (Data Transfer Objects)

3.1 UML Class Diagram Visualization

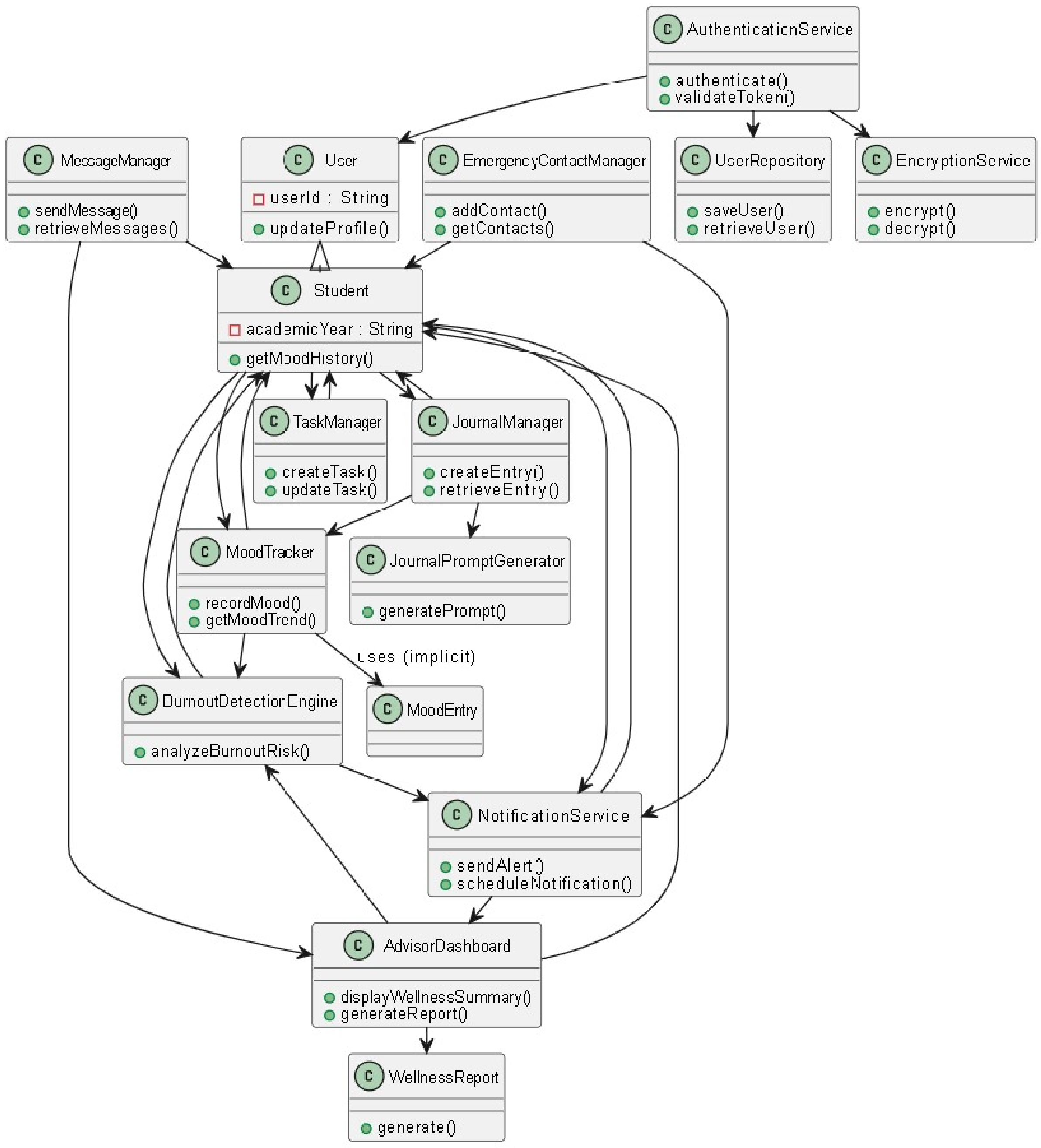

Figure 1: MindMate System UML Class Diagram - Complete Architectural Overview

3.2 Key Relationships in the UML Diagram

1. **Inheritance:** Student and Advisor inherit from abstract User class
2. **Aggregation:** Student aggregates (1:M) MoodEntry, JournalEntry, and Task collections
3. **Association:** MoodService uses BurnoutDetectionEngine for analysis

4. **Dependency:** Controllers depend on Service interfaces
5. **Composition:** Repositories compose DatabaseConnection for persistence
6. **Realization:** Services implement business logic interfaces

3.3 Layer Descriptions

3.3.1 Domain Layer

Contains core business entities including User hierarchy (User, Student, Advisor), wellness tracking objects (MoodEntry, JournalEntry), and productivity objects (Task, EmergencyContact). This layer represents the fundamental business concepts.

3.3.2 Service Layer

Implements business logic with services (UserService, MoodService, JournalService, TaskService) and specialized engines (BurnoutDetectionEngine, NotificationService). This layer contains the core application logic.

3.3.3 Repository Layer

Follows Repository pattern with abstract Repository interface implemented by concrete repositories (UserRepository, MoodRepository, JournalRepository, TaskRepository). This layer handles all data persistence operations.

3.3.4 Controller Layer

Provides REST API endpoints (AuthController, MoodController, JournalController, TaskController, AdvisorController) acting as facades to services. This layer handles HTTP requests and responses.

3.3.5 Security Layer

Handles authentication and authorization (JwtService, EncryptionService, SecurityConfig) with cross-cutting security concerns. This layer ensures system security and access control.

3.3.6 DTO Layer

Manages data transfer between layers with request/response DTOs (LoginRequestDTO, MoodEntryDTO, JournalEntryDTO, TaskRequestDTO). This layer handles data transformation and validation.

3.4 Design Pattern Integration in UML

The UML diagram reflects the following design patterns:

- **Repository Pattern:** Data Access Layer abstraction
- **Factory Pattern:** Object creation in services

- **Strategy Pattern:** BurnoutDetectionEngine analysis algorithms
- **Observer Pattern:** NotificationService event handling
- **Adapter Pattern:** External service integrations
- **Template Method Pattern:** Workflow definitions in services
- **Facade Pattern:** Controllers providing simplified interfaces

Information

Note: The UML diagram provides a comprehensive visual representation of the MindMate system architecture, showing all classes, relationships, and design patterns as described in the textual documentation. The diagram illustrates the clear separation of concerns across six architectural layers and demonstrates proper application of object-oriented design principles.

4 TASK 4: DESIGN PATTERNS PLANNING

The MindMate system implements 6 design patterns strategically distributed across creational, structural, and behavioral categories to enhance maintainability, extensibility, and adherence to design principles.

Pattern Name	Pattern Type	Applied To / Module	Problem Solved	Why This Pattern?
Factory Method	Creational	Notification System, Service Creation	Avoids direct instantiation of concrete services; Centralizes object creation logic	Allows adding new service types without modifying client code (Open/Closed Principle)
Singleton	Creational	DatabaseConnection, JwtService, ConfigurationService	Ensures only one instance of critical resources exists; Prevents multiple database connections	Provides global access point; Reduces resource overhead; Ensures consistent configuration
Strategy	Structural	BurnoutDetectionEngine, ProductivityAnalyzer	Different analysis algorithms needed; Conditional logic for algorithm selection	Enables swapping algorithms at runtime; Supports A/B testing; Easy to add new analysis methods
Adapter	Structural	External APIs (SMSService, EmailService, PushService)	Third-party APIs have incompatible interfaces; Need to standardize communication	Standardizes external service interfaces; Allows easy switching between providers; Decouples system from external APIs
Observer	Behavioral	Notification System, Alert Management	Multiple components need to react to events; Tight coupling between event sources and listeners	Loose coupling between event sources and listeners; Supports multiple notification handlers; Enables extensible alert system

Pattern Name	Pattern Type	Applied To / Module	Problem Solved	Why This Pattern?
Template Method	Behavioral	Burnout detection workflow, Report generation	Common algorithm steps with variations in specific operations; Repeated workflow patterns	Defines algorithm skeleton with customizable steps; Promotes code reuse; Easy to modify specific steps without changing overall structure

4.1 Pattern 1: Factory Method (Creational)

Factory Method Pattern

Applied To: NotificationSystem, ServiceFactory
Problem Solved:

- Avoids direct instantiation of concrete notification services
- Eliminates tight coupling between client code and specific implementations
- Centralizes object creation logic

Why This Pattern?

- Allows adding new notification types without modifying existing code
- Encapsulates notification creation logic
- Supports Open/Closed Principle
- Simplifies unit testing with mock factories

Implementation Strategy: NotificationFactory creates SMSService, EmailService, and PushNotificationService instances based on configuration. New notification channels can be added by implementing the NotificationHandler interface without changing existing factory code.

4.2 Pattern 2: Singleton (Creational)

Singleton Pattern

Applied To: DatabaseConnection, JwtService, ConfigurationService
Problem Solved:

- Ensures only one instance of critical resources exists
- Prevents multiple database connections and configuration conflicts
- Controls resource overhead and memory usage
- Provides global access point for shared resources

Why This Pattern?

- Thread-safe resource management
- Consistent configuration access across application
- Reduces memory footprint
- Ensures single source of truth for critical services

Implementation Strategy: DatabaseConnection uses double-checked locking to ensure thread safety. JwtService maintains single instance for consistent token validation. ConfigurationService loads settings once and provides global access.

4.3 Pattern 3: Strategy (Structural)

Strategy Pattern

Applied To: BurnoutDetectionEngine, ProductivityAnalyzer
Problem Solved:

- Different algorithms for burnout detection can be swapped at runtime
- Eliminates complex conditional statements for algorithm selection
- Allows dynamic behavior changes based on context
- Supports multiple analysis approaches simultaneously

Why This Pattern?

- Flexible analysis strategies based on data availability
- Supports A/B testing different algorithms
- Easy to add new analysis methods without modifying engine
- Promotes algorithm encapsulation and reuse

Implementation Strategy: Multiple BurnoutAnalysisStrategy implementations (ML-based, threshold-based, pattern-based) can be injected into BurnoutDetectionEngine. The engine delegates analysis to the current strategy without knowing implementation details.

4.4 Pattern 4: Adapter (Structural)

Adapter Pattern

Applied To: External Integrations (SMSService, EmailService, PushService)
Problem Solved:

- Integrates third-party APIs with different interfaces
- Standardizes external service communication
- Enables switching between service providers without code changes
- Handles API version differences and changes

Why This Pattern?

- Standardizes external service interfaces
- Allows easy switching between providers (Twilio, Firebase, SendGrid)
- Decouples system from external API specifics
- Simplifies testing with mock adapters
- Protects against third-party API changes

Implementation Strategy: Adapter pattern wraps external SMS/Call APIs to conform to internal NotificationService interface. TwilioAdapter, FirebaseAdapter implement common SMSService interface. New providers only need to implement the adapter interface.

4.5 Pattern 5: Observer (Behavioral)

Observer Pattern

Applied To: Notification System, Alert Management, Mood Tracking
Problem Solved:

- Multiple subscribers need to react to system events
- Avoids tight coupling between event sources and listeners
- Enables dynamic subscription/unsubscription at runtime
- Supports one-to-many dependency relationships

Why This Pattern?

- Loose coupling between event sources and listeners
- Supports multiple notification handlers for same event
- Enables extensible alert system
- Facilitates real-time updates and reactions
- Easy to add new observers without modifying subjects

Implementation Strategy: MoodEntry changes notify MoodAnalyzer, BurnoutDetectionEngine, and JournalPromptGenerator. BurnoutDetectionEngine notifies NotificationService and AdvisorDashboard when risk detected. Observers register with subjects and receive updates automatically.

4.6 Pattern 6: Template Method (Behavioral)

Template Method Pattern

Applied To: Burnout detection workflow, Report generation, Authentication pipeline

Problem Solved:

- Common algorithm steps with variations in specific operations
- Repeated workflow patterns across different contexts
- Need to maintain consistent algorithm structure while allowing customization
- Duplicate code in similar processes

Why This Pattern?

- Defines algorithm skeleton with customizable steps
- Promotes code reuse across similar workflows
- Easy to modify specific steps without changing overall structure
- Ensures consistent process execution
- Supports Hollywood Principle ("don't call us, we'll call you")

Implementation Strategy: Base BurnoutDetectionTemplate defines common steps: data collection → pattern analysis → risk calculation → alert decision. Specific implementations override analysis and calculation steps while inheriting the overall workflow structure.

5 TASK 5: DESIGN PRINCIPLES AND SOLID COMPLIANCE

This section demonstrates how fundamental design principles are applied throughout the MindMate system.

5.1 (a) OOAD Design Principles Application

5.1.1 1. Abstraction

Definition: Abstraction hides complex implementation details and exposes only essential features to the user.

Application in MindMate:

MindMate applies abstraction throughout the system architecture. The abstract `User` class defines the interface for all user types (Student, Advisor, Admin) without exposing implementation details specific to each role.

Example

Example: Service Abstraction
The `NotificationService` abstracts the underlying notification mechanisms. Students simply call `sendNotification(message)` without knowing whether it's delivered via SMS, push notification, or email. The complex routing logic is hidden behind a simple interface.

Where Applied: User hierarchy, Repository interfaces, Service abstractions, NotificationGateway, EncryptionService.

Benefits: Enhanced maintainability, reduced cognitive load, ability to change implementations without affecting clients, clear separation of concerns.

5.1.2 2. Encapsulation

Definition: Encapsulation bundles data and methods together, hiding internal state and exposing only necessary public interfaces.

Application in MindMate:

Each class in MindMate encapsulates its state and provides controlled access through public methods.

Example

Example: Student Class Encapsulation
The `Student` class maintains private lists of `moodEntries`, `journalEntries`, and `tasks`. These collections are not directly accessible; instead, students interact through public methods like `recordMood()`, `createJournalEntry()`, and `createTask()`. This prevents accidental data corruption and ensures data integrity.

Where Applied: All domain classes maintain private attributes with public accessor methods, repositories encapsulate database access logic, services encapsulate business operations.

Benefits: Data integrity protection, prevents unauthorized state modification, enables validation on access, facilitates future changes to internal implementation.

5.1.3 3. Inheritance

Definition: Inheritance allows new classes to inherit properties and methods from existing classes, promoting code reuse and establishing hierarchical relationships.

Application in MindMate:

The system uses inheritance to create a clear hierarchy of user types and repository patterns.

Example

User Hierarchy
The abstract `User` class defines common attributes (`userId`, `email`, `password`, `name`) and methods (`login()`, `logout()`, `updateProfile()`) shared by all user types.
`Student`, `Advisor`, and `Admin` classes inherit from `User` and add role-specific attributes and methods while reusing common functionality.

Where Applied: User type hierarchy (User → Student/Advisor/Admin), Repository implementations, DTO hierarchies.

Benefits: Code reuse and reduced duplication, consistent interface across user types, extensibility for future user roles, polymorphic behavior support.

5.1.4 4. Polymorphism

Definition: Polymorphism allows objects of different types to be treated through the same interface, with each type implementing the interface in its own way.

Application in MindMate:

Polymorphism is extensively used throughout MindMate for service implementations and repository patterns.

Example

Example: Repository Polymorphism
The `Repository` interface is polymorphically implemented by `UserRepository`, `MoodEntryRepository`, `JournalEntryRepository`, and `TaskRepository`. The business logic layer works with `Repository` objects without knowing their concrete types, allowing easy switching between different data storage solutions.

Where Applied: User type implementations, Repository implementations, Notification handlers, Analysis strategies, Service implementations.

Benefits: Flexibility in implementation, extensibility without code modification, loose coupling, support for runtime behavior changes, clean architecture.

5.1.5 5. Cohesion & Coupling

Definition: High cohesion means classes have focused, related responsibilities. Low coupling means minimal dependencies between classes.

Application in MindMate:
High Cohesion:

Example

Example: MoodService Class
The `MoodService` class has a single, well-defined responsibility: managing mood-related operations. It includes only mood-specific methods (`recordMood()`, `analyzeMoodPatterns()`, `generateMoodInsights()`) and doesn't handle unrelated concerns like user authentication or task management.

Low Coupling:

Example

Example: Dependency Injection
Services receive their dependencies through constructor injection rather than creating them directly. This reduces coupling and makes testing easier through mock dependencies.

Where Applied: Module organization (Presentation, Domain, Data Access, Utilities), interface-based design, dependency injection, single-responsibility classes.

Benefits: Improved maintainability, reduced testing complexity, enhanced reusability, easier debugging, development parallelization.

5.2 (b) SOLID Principles Application

5.2.1 1. Single Responsibility Principle (SRP)

Principle Statement: A class should have only one reason to change, meaning it should have only one job or responsibility.

Application in MindMate:

Class	Single Responsibility	Changed When
MoodService	Managing mood operations only	Mood tracking requirements change
BurnoutDetectionEngine	Analyzing burnout indicators only	Burnout detection algorithm changes
NotificationService	Handling notifications only	Notification delivery methods change
UserRepository	Persisting user data only	Database technology changes
EncryptionService	Encrypting data only	Encryption standards change
AuthController	Handling authentication requests only	Authentication API changes

Benefits: Classes are easier to understand, changes affect fewer components, easier to test in isolation, increased reusability.

5.2.2 2. Open/Closed Principle (OCP)

Principle Statement: Software entities should be open for extension but closed for modification.

Application in MindMate:

Scenario	Solution	OCP Compliance
Adding new notification types	Factory pattern with NotificationHandler interface	New types extend system without modifying NotificationService
Adding new analysis algorithms	Strategy pattern with AnalysisStrategy	New algorithms added without modifying engines
Adding new user roles	Extend User abstract class	New roles inherit without changing existing user logic
Adding new report formats	Template method pattern	New formats override specific steps without changing report generation workflow

Benefits: New features without breaking existing code, easier maintenance, reduced regression bugs, flexible and extensible system.

5.2.3 3. Liskov Substitution Principle (LSP)

Principle Statement: Subclasses should be substitutable for their base classes without breaking the system.

Application in MindMate:

Hierarchy	LSP Compliance	Why It Works
User hierarchy	Student/Advisor can replace User	All implement the same contract with consistent behavior
Repository hierarchy	All repositories follow same interface	All implement CRUD operations identically
Notification handlers	All handlers implement send() consistently	Same method signature and return type expectations
DTO hierarchy	All DTOs follow data transfer contract	Consistent serialization/deserialization behavior

Benefits: Reliable polymorphic designs, reduces coupling, enables safe substitution, supports runtime behavior changes.

5.2.4 4. Interface Segregation Principle (ISP)

Principle Statement: Clients should not be forced to depend on interfaces they don't use.

Application in MindMate:

Problem	Solution	Benefit
Fat UserManager interface	Segregated into UserService, AuthService, ProfileService	Each service uses only needed methods
Monolithic Repository	Segregated into ReadRepository and WriteRepository	Read-only clients don't implement write methods
Generic Notification	Segregated into EmailHandler, SMSHandler, PushHandler	Each handler implements only required notification type

Benefits: Clients depend only on methods they use, easier to implement mock objects, reduced coupling, improved code clarity.

5.2.5 5. Dependency Inversion Principle (DIP)

Principle Statement: High-level modules should not depend on low-level modules. Both should depend on abstractions.

Application in MindMate:

Example

Repository Dependency Example
High-level: `BurnoutDetectionEngine` depends on `MoodRepository` interface (abstraction)
Low-level: `PostgreSQLMoodRepository` implements `MoodRepository` interface (concrete implementation)
The high-level business logic doesn't depend on database specifics, and the low-level implementation depends on the abstraction.

Where Applied: Service interfaces, Repository interfaces, Controller dependencies, Notification handlers.

Benefits: High-level policies don't depend on low-level details, easy to switch implementations, improved testability, reduced coupling, supports different deployment scenarios.

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

Assignment Completeness

- Cover page with project title and team members' names
- Table of contents
- Comprehensive class identification with 6-layer architecture
- Complete CRC Cards for all major classes (30+ CRC cards)
- UML Class Diagram with proper relationships and layers
- Design Pattern table with 6 patterns and detailed explanations
- OOAD principles application (Abstraction, Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Cohesion & Coupling)
- SOLID principles compliance with specific examples
- Professional formatting and technical writing style
- Clear relationships and dependencies documented

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