Deliverable #2 Template

SE 3A04: Software Design II – Large System Design

Tutorial Number: T0x Group Number: Gx Group Members:

- List all Group Member Names (as listed in Avenue)
- You do not need to use student #s or macid (keep those private).

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Please document any non-standard notations that you may have used
 - Rule of Thumb: if you feel there is any doubt surrounding the meaning of your notations, document them
- Some diagrams may be difficult to fit into one page
 - Ensure that the text is readable when printed, or when viewed at 100% on a regular laptop-sized screen.
 - If you need to break a diagram onto multiple pages, please adopt a system of doing so and thoroughly explain how it can be reconnected from one page to the next; if you are unsure about this, please ask about it
- Please submit the latest version of Deliverable 1 with Deliverable 2
 - Indicate any changes you made.
- If you do <u>NOT</u> have a Division of Labour sheet, your deliverable will <u>NOT</u> be marked

1 Introduction

This section should provide an brief overview of the entire document.

1.1 Purpose

State the purpose and intended audience for the document.

1.2 System Description

Give a brief description of the system. This could be a paragraph or two to give some context to this document.

1.3 Overview

Describe what the rest of the document contains and explain how the document is organised (e.g. "In Section 2 we discuss...in Section 3...").

2 Analysis Class Diagram

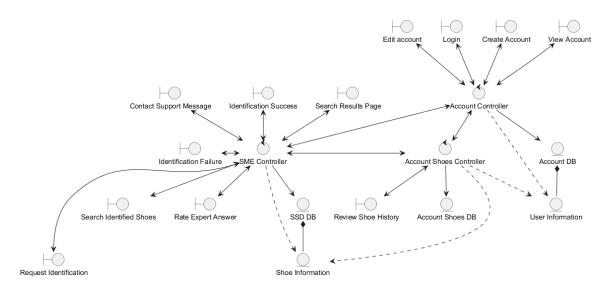


Figure 1: Analysis Class Diagram

3 Architectural Design

This section should provide an overview of the overall architectural design of your application. Your overall architecture should show the division of the system into subsystems with high cohesion and low coupling.

3.1 System Architecture

SoleMate utilizes a Blackboard Architecture integrated with a Repository Style Design to enable efficient shoe identification and data management. The Blackboard Architecture allows multiple expert modules to contribute their analyses iteratively, refining identification results until a final decision is reached. When a user submits a shoe image or textual description, the SoleMate Management Engine (SME Controller)

acts as the central hub, posting the input to a shared data space where different expert modules—such as machine learning-based classification, image recognition, and database matching—collaborate to analyze the data. This approach supports a flexible and scalable identification process, allowing for the addition of new expert modules over time and improving recognition accuracy through iterative refinement.

The Repository Architecture complements the Blackboard system by ensuring structured and persistent data storage. The SSD Database serves as the repository for storing identified shoes, historical searches, and expert ratings, while the Account Shoes Database and Account Database manage user-related data, such as past searches, stored shoe collections, and authentication details. This repository-style approach allows different subsystems to access data concurrently, ensuring efficient retrieval and updates without conflicts. By combining real-time collaborative processing with structured data management, SoleMate ensures both adaptability and long-term reliability in handling sneaker identification and user interaction.

The Blackboard Architecture was chosen because it provides a collaborative problem-solving environment, where different expert modules can iteratively refine identification accuracy. This design is well-suited for SoleMate, as shoe recognition requires integrating various techniques, such as AI models, database lookups, and image recognition. The Repository Architecture was selected to efficiently manage large datasets, ensuring seamless access to stored information while allowing the system to scale as more users and shoe data are added. Together, these architectures provide a flexible, scalable, and data-driven solution for SoleMate's sneaker identification platform.

(Insert diagram here showing SME Controller, SSD Database, expert modules, and subsystem interactions)

Several alternative architectural styles were considered but ultimately discarded. The Model-View-Controller (MVC) Architecture was initially evaluated, but it was not ideal for SoleMate, as the system prioritizes data-driven processing and expert collaboration over UI management. The Pipe and Filter Architecture was also considered but was eliminated because it enforces a sequential flow of data, which does not align with SoleMate's iterative expert-based approach to identification. Lastly, the Batch Sequential Architecture was rejected due to its reliance on processing data in predefined batches, as SoleMate requires real-time responses for shoe identification requests. By combining Blackboard and Repository Architecture, SoleMate successfully integrates adaptive intelligence with structured data storage, creating an optimal solution for sneaker identification and management.

3.2 Subsystems

SoleMate utilizes three main subsystems, incorporating both a Blackboard and Repository-like architecture. The SoleMate system integrates a Blackboard Architecture with a repository-style design to streamline shoe identification and user interactions. At the core of the system is the SoleMate Management Engine (SME Controller), which acts as the central coordination unit. When a user submits a shoe identification request through the Request Identification module, the SME Controller processes the request by interacting with different subsystems. The Identification Subsystem plays a key role in this architecture, pulling data from the SSD Database and coordinating with various processing modules to refine identification accuracy. The Account Controller and Account Shoes Controller further support user interactions by managing account-related operations, such as creating, editing, and logging into accounts, as well as storing previously identified shoes for future reference.

The repository-style architecture is evident in how SoleMate manages persistent data across various subsystems. The SSD Database functions as the primary data repository, storing shoe identification results, historical searches, and expert ratings. The Account Shoes Database and Account Database store user-specific data, ensuring seamless retrieval of past interactions. The Support and Feedback System allows users to rate expert answers and interact with customer support in case of identification failures. This feedback is stored and utilized by the SME Controller to enhance the system's future performance. By leveraging a Blackboard approach for expert-driven identification and a repository structure for efficient data storage, SoleMate ensures a robust and scalable platform that enhances user experience and engagement.

4 Class Responsibility Collaboration (CRC) Cards

This section should contain all of your CRC cards.

- Provide a CRC Card for each identified class
- Please use the format outlined in tutorial, i.e.,

| Class Name: | | |
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| Responsibility: | Collaborators: | |
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A Division of Labour

Include a Division of Labour sheet which indicates the contributions of each team member. This sheet must be signed by all team members.