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Task: Lab 4

Due Date: 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Question 1 (25 marks)**

Using interfaces, as you learned in this class, you can specify similar behaviors for possibly disparate classes. Governments and companies worldwide are becoming increasingly concerned with carbon footprints (annual releases of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere) from buildings burning various types of fuels for heat, vehicles burning fuels for power, and the like. Many scientists blame these greenhouse gases for the phenomenon called global warming. Create three small classes unrelated by inheritance—classes Building, Car and Bicycle.

Give each class some unique appropriate attributes and behaviors that it does not have in common with other classes. Write an interface **CarbonFootprint** with a **getCarbonFootprint** method. Have each of your classes implement that interface, so that its **getCarbonFootprint** method calculates an appropriate carbon footprint for that class (check out a few websites that explain how to calculate carbon footprints).

Write an application that creates objects of each of the three classes, places references to those objects in **ArrayList<CarbonFootprint>**, then iterates through the ArrayList, polymorphically invoking each object's **getCarbonFootprint** method. For each object, print some identifying information and the object's carbon footprint.

**Question 2 (20 marks)**

(Guess-the-Number Game) Write an application that plays “guess the number” as follows:

Your application chooses the number to be guessed by selecting an integer at random in the range 1–1000.

The application then displays the following in a label:

I have a number between 1 and 1000. Can you guess my number?  
Please enter your first guess.

A JTextField should be used to input the guess. As each guess is input, the background color should change to either red or blue. Red indicates that the user is getting “warmer,” and blue, “colder.” A JLabel should display either “Too High” or “Too Low” to help the user zero in.

When the user gets the correct answer, “Correct!” should be displayed, and the JTextField used for input should be changed to be uneditable. A JButton should be provided to allow the user to play the game again. When the JButton is clicked, a new random number should be generated and the input JTextField changed to be editable.

### **Question 3 (20 marks)**

a) In Unit 9, you studied an inheritance hierarchy in which class `BasePlusCommissionEmployee` inherited from class `CommissionEmployee`. However, not all types of employees are `CommissionEmployee`s.

In this question, you'll create a more general `Employee` superclass that factors out the attributes and behaviors in class `CommissionEmployee` that are common to all `Employees`. The common attributes and behaviors for all `Employees` are `firstName`, `lastName`, `socialSecurityNumber`, `getFirstName`, `getLastName`, `getSocialSecurityNumber` and a portion of method `toString`. Create a new superclass `Employee` that contains these instance variables and methods and a constructor. Next, rewrite class `CommissionEmployee` from Section 9.4.5 (**Source:** Recommended Book) as a subclass of `Employee`. Class `CommissionEmployee` should contain only the instance variables and methods that are not declared in superclass `Employee`.

Class `CommissionEmployee`'s constructor should invoke class `Employee`'s constructor and `CommissionEmployee`'s `toString` method should invoke `Employee`'s `toString` method. Once you've completed these modifications, run the `CommissionEmployeeTest` and `BasePlusCommissionEmployeeTest` apps using these new classes to ensure that the apps still display the same results for a `CommissionEmployee` object and `BasePlusCommissionEmployee` object, respectively.

b) Other types of `Employees` might include `SalariedEmployees` who get paid a fixed weekly salary, `PieceWorkers` who get paid by the number of pieces they produce or `HourlyEmployees` who get paid an hourly wage with time-and-a-half—1.5 times the hourly wage—for hours worked over 40 hours.

Create class `HourlyEmployee` that inherits from class `Employee` in part (a) and has instance variable `hours` (a double) that represents the hours worked, instance variable `wage` (a double) that represents the wages per hour, a constructor that takes as arguments a first name, a last name, a social security number, an hourly wage and the number of hours worked, set and get methods for manipulating the hours and wage, an earnings method to calculate an `HourlyEmployee`'s earnings based on the hours worked and a `toString` method that returns the `HourlyEmployee`'s String representation. Method `setWage` should ensure that wage is nonnegative, and `setHours` should ensure that the value of hours is between 0 and 168 (the total number of hours in a week).

Use class `HourlyEmployee` in a test program that's similar to the one in Fig. 9.5 (**Source:** Recommended Book).