

Group 10 - Deliverable #2

SFWRENG 3A04: Software Design III - Large System Design

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of the document is to focus on the architecture of the HackerSim system. The system's architecture is based upon business events developed in Deliverable 1 to outline the components of the HackerSim software for both the client and the developer. It covers the architectural decisions that have been made regarding the system and its components. This document is intended for the project manager, the current project team and any future development teams for the HackerSim Project.

1.2 System Description

The HackerSim system is an interactive game that will allow the user to raise a Software Engineer in their room. The main component of our software would be the General Room which is the link that interacts with the rest of the sub-components. The main sub-components that the General Room interacts with which would be the Shop, Friends and Chat, Project and the Time-step. The Shop component focuses on interacting with the inventory for purchasing and browsing items. The Friends and Chat component focuses on providing message functionality between the user and the friends. The Project component focuses on the project and future projects the Software Engineer has to do to gain in-game currency. Finally, the Time-step component focuses on the passage of time and which affects the Software Engineer's attributes.

1.3 Overview

This document is organized by the following sections: Analysis Class Diagram, Architectural Design, Class Responsibility Collaboration Cards. Analysis Class Diagram focuses on providing details about the structure of the classes and their relationships. Architectural Design focuses on the overall architectural design of the HackerSim application, showing the division of the system into subsystems. Finally, Class Responsibility Collaboration (CRC) Cards focus on each individual class and its responsibilities and relations in which they collaborate with other classes.

1.4 Definitions, Acronyms, Abbreviations

SE - Software Engineer

2 Analysis Class Diagram

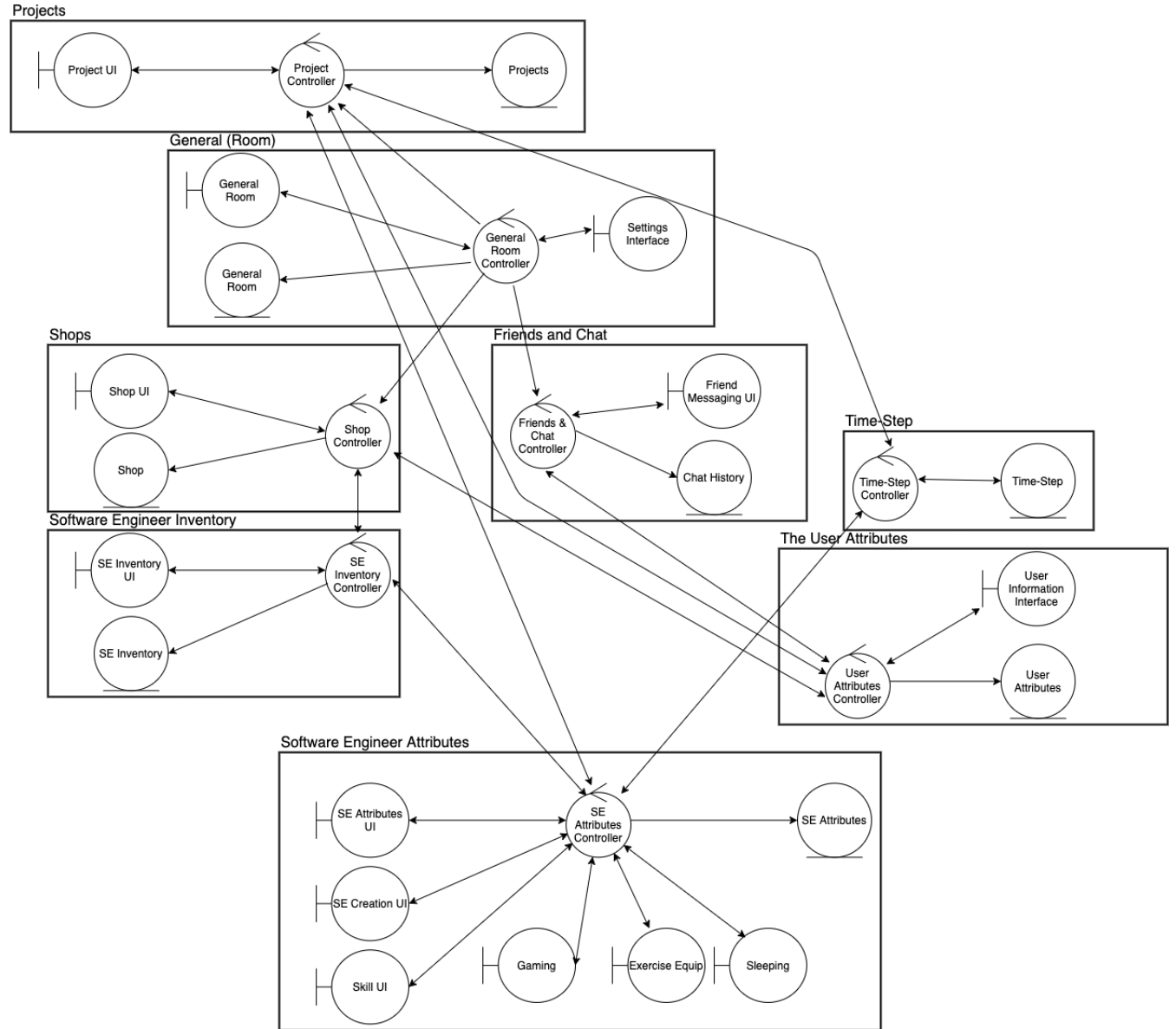


Figure 1: Analysis Class Diagram for Hacker Sim

3 Architectural Design

3.1 System Architecture

The architecture style that we will be using for our system is an architecture that is interaction-oriented; Presentation-Abstraction-Control (PAC). Among the other architectural styles, data-centric and data-flow architecture, we felt that an interaction-oriented architecture would fit our project the best. We believe this because this type of architecture is most appropriate when there is a need to separate the user's interactions from the data abstraction and data processing. This type of architecture effectively divides the data into logical sections and allows an effective presentation of content based on changes in the data utilizing the view modules. From interaction-oriented architecture, there were two possible routes to take, Model-View-

Controller (MVC) architecture and Presentation-Abstraction-Control (PAC) architecture. We chose to use Presentation-Abstraction-Control as it emphasizes a hierarchical architecture that allows low-coupling of agents protecting other agents from being modified by the changes of one. In essence, this will provide us with an effective way to identify our core entities and link them to relevant agents with ease. It will also allow multiple agents to perform their tasks, and update their view accordingly without affecting the other agents. MVC highly depends upon a uniform data set for all views that changes at a constant rate. Given that we have several different entities, each with their unique data set that will be updated at different rates, the need for PAC architecture for our system is evident.

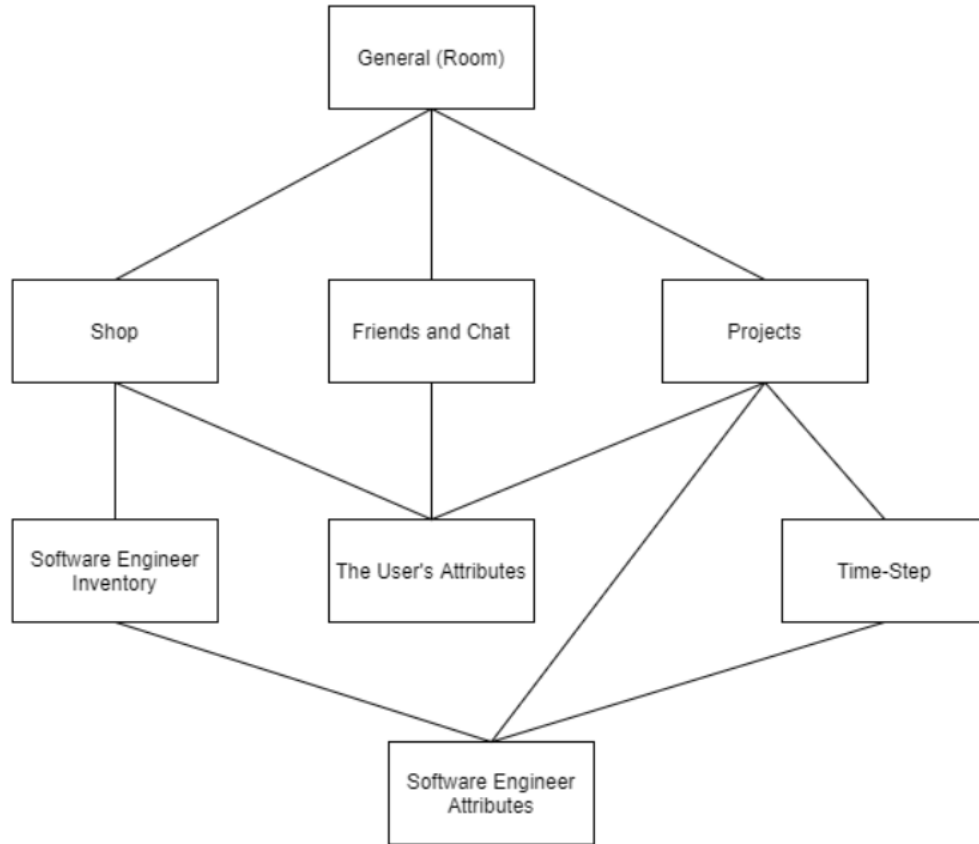


Figure 2: PAC Structural Architecture Diagram

3.2 Subsystems

The following are explanations of the subsystems for our project that outline their purpose and relationship to other subsystems.

1. General (Room)
 Purpose: This agent is the highest-level agent that controls every other agent and presents the default 'room' view as well as ability to interact with the objects, shop, friends and the SE
 Direct Relationships: Shop, Friends and Chat, Projects
2. Shop
 Purpose: This agent is an intermediate-level agent that controls the user's interactions with the shop, including purchasing and browsing items. This agent may then update the SE's inventory if the user chooses to purchase an item.
 Direct Relationships: SE Inventory, User Attributes, General (Room)

3. Friends & Chat

Purpose: This agent is an intermediate-level agent that stores data on chat history, and provides the user with the ability to message friends based on the user's friends list.

Direct Relationships: User's Attributes, General (Room)

4. Projects

Purpose: This intermediate-level agent stores information regarding current and future projects the SE may work on to gain currency.

Direct Relationships: User's Attributes, SE Attributes, General (Room), Time-Step

5. Time-Step

Purpose: This intermediate-level agent controls the passage of time, and signals the SE Attributes accordingly with changes in their current state or information. These changes include hunger, project completion, tiredness level, happiness change, etc.

Direct Relationships: SE Attributes, Projects

6. Software Engineer (SE) Inventory

Purpose: This bottom-level agent stores data based on the items in the SE's inventory and adjusts the data and view based upon the user's interactions with the store or through the use of items.

Direct Relationships: Shop, SE Attributes

7. Software Engineer (SE) Attributes

Purpose: This bottom-level agent stores data based on the SE's current attributes such as their happiness index, how tired they are, if they are hungry, if they completed a project, etc. These attributes may be adjusted by the Time-Step agent or the Project agent, or changed directly by the user.

Direct Relationships: Projects, Time-Step, SE Inventory

8. User Attributes

Purpose: This bottom-level agent stores data based on the user's current attributes. Some data is immutable and may not be changed throughout the game, however, there is data that may be manipulated by the project controller, providing the user with skill points to increase the SE's ability, a change in their current balance, and addition or removal of friends.

Direct Relationships: Shop, Friends and Chat, Projects

4 Class Responsibility Collaboration (CRC) Cards

4.1 Entity Class CRC Cards

Class Name: General Room	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store SE current state (gaming, working, exercising, sleeping, etc)	
Store room items (exercise equipment, furniture)	
Store room size	

Class Name: User Attributes	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store currency	
Store coding experience level	
Store friends list	

Class Name: SE Attributes	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store SE's name and sex	
Store SE's current state (happiness, tiredness, hunger, etc.)	

Class Name: SE Inventory	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store SE's items and quantities	

Class Name: Shop	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store items and prices	
Store skills and prices	

Class Name: Projects	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store all projects	
Store project information (name, deadline, reward, skills required, completion status)	

Class Name: Time-Step	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store time elapsed	

Class Name: Chat History	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Store all chat history and username of the user communicating with	

4.2 Boundary Class CRC Cards

Class Name: General Room Interface	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present SE current state (gaming, sleeping, exercising, working)	General Room Controller
Present room based on size	General Room Controller
Present room items (furniture, equipment, etc)	General Room Controller

Class Name: User Information Interface	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present username	User Attributes Controller
Present user's currency	User Attributes Controller
Present coding experience level	User Attributes Controller
Present user's friends	User Attributes Controller

Class Name: Settings Interface	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present option to quit	General Room Controller

Class Name: SE Creation UI	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Receive input for SE traits (name, sex)	SE Attributes Controller

Class Name: SE Attribute UI	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present SE Attributes (sex, name, happiness, hunger, skill, fitness level, tiredness level)	SE Attributes Controller

Class Name: SE Inventory UI	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present items list	SE Inventory Controller
Receive input to use items	SE Inventory Controller
Receive input to discard items	SE Inventory Controller
Use Items	SE Inventory Controller

Class Name: Exercise Equipment	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Receive input to let SE take exercise	General (Room) Controller
Receive input to let SE finish exercise	General (Room) Controller
Show that SE is exercising	

Class Name: Gaming	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Receive input to let SE play games	SE Attributes Controller
Receive input to let SE stop playing games	SE Attributes Controller
Show that SE is gaming	

Class Name: Sleeping	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Receive input to let SE play sleep	SE Attributes Controller
Show that SE is sleeping	

Class Name: Shop UI	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present item list with prices	Shop Controller
Receive input to purchase items/skills	Shop Controller
Present programming skills unowned by SE	Shop Controller
Present skills information	Shop Controller
Filter item list	Shop Controller

Class Name: Project UI	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present software projects for SE	Project Controller
Present projects information (profit, skills required, deadline, completion)	Project Controller
Receive input to let SE start projects	Project Controller
Receive input to let SE complete projects	Project Controller

Class Name: Friends Message UI	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Present user's friends list	Friend and Chat Controller
Present user current chat	Friend and Chat Controller
Receive input to send message/chat	Friend and Chat Controller

4.3 Controller Class CRC Cards

Class Name: General Room Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Update SE state	General Room General Room Interface SE Attributes Controller
Update room state	General Room General Room Interface
Open the Shop	Shop Controller
Open the Inventory	SE Inventory Controller
Access User Attributes	User Attributes Controller
Access SE Attributes	SE Attributes Controller
Access Projects	Project Controller
Access Friend and Chat	Friend and Chat Controller

Class Name: User Attributes Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Update currency as requested by collaborating controller classes	Shop Controller Project Controller User Attributes
Update coding experience level as requested by collaborating controller classes	Shop Controller Project Controller User Attributes
Update friends list after adding or removing a friend	Friends and Chat Controller User Attributes
Update User Information Interface	User Attributes User Information Interface

Class Name: SE Attribute Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Set SE's name during creation	SE Creation UI SE Attributes
Choose SE's sex during creation	SE Creation UI SE Attributes
Update hunger level by a discrete-time passing	Time-step Controller SE Attributes
Decrease hunger level as user using "food" items in Inventory	Inventory Controller SE Attributes
Update happiness level by playing game for discrete-time pass	Gaming SE Attributes Time-Step Controller
Update tiredness level by working	Project Controller Exercise Equipment Time-Step Controller SE Attributes
Increase overall fitness level by using exercise equipment and increase tiredness level	Exercise Equipment SE Attributes
Prolong lifespan by using exercise equipment frequently enough	Exercise Equipment SE Attributes
Update SE's skills after using skill in Inventory	Inventory Controller SE Attributes
Update SE's tiredness by sleeping	SE Attributes Sleeping Time-Step controller
Update SE attributes UI	SE Attribute UI SE Attributes

Class Name: SE Inventory Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Update Inventory (addition or removal of items)	SE Attribute Controller Shop controller SE Inventory UI SE Inventory

Class Name: Time-Step Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Update value of in-game time	Time-Step
Increase SE's hunger after a discrete-time pass	SE Attributes Controller
Increase SE's happiness after gaming for a discrete-time pass	SE Attributes Controller
Increase SE's tiredness after working for a discrete-time pass	SE Attributes Controller

Class Name: Shop Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Decrease user's currency/coding experience level after purchasing items/skills	User Attributes Controller Shop
Adding item(s)/skill(s) purchased into Inventory	SE Inventory Controller Shop
Updates Shop UI as features of filter being specified	Shop UI Shop

Class Name: Project Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Reward a specific amount of currency and coding experience level to user after completion of project (according to "reward")	User Attributes Controller Projects
Updates Projects	Projects
Update Projects UI	Project UI Projects

Class Name: Friends and Chat Controller	
Responsibility:	Collaborators:
Update Chat history	Friends Messaging UI Chat History
Update Friend List	Friends Messaging UI User Attributes Controller

A Division of Labour

Table 1: Division of Labour

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