BoNUS - Developer Guide

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1. Introduction

This *Developer Guide* is written by the **BoNUS v1.5** team for the benefits of future developers and maintainers of the application.

- This guide includes instructions for setting up the development environment.
- This guide provides sufficient UMLs (unified model diagrams) to illustrate the architectural structure and design methodology.
- This guide offers advice for troubleshooting some common issues.

BoNUS is an open-source project, should any developers be interested, see <u>Contact Us</u> page for more information.

2. Setting up

2.1. Prerequisites

1. JDK 1.8.0 60 or later



Having any Java 8 version is not enough.

This app will not work with earlier versions of Java 8.



We do have the plan to upgrade to <u>Java 9</u> in the foreseeable future. Please pay close attention to this document.

2. IntelliJ IDE



Intelli] by default has Gradle and JavaFx plugins installed.

Do not disable them. If you have disabled them, go to File > Settings > Plugins to re-enable them.

2.2. Setting up the project in your computer

- 1. Fork this repo, and clone the fork to your computer (we use <u>Git</u> as our version control system)
- 2. Open IntelliJ (if you are not in the welcome screen, click File > Close Project to close the existing project dialog first)
- 3. Set up the correct JDK version for Gradle
 - a. Click Configure > Project Defaults > Project Structure
 - b. Click New... and find the directory of the JDK
- 4. Click Import Project
- 5. Locate the build.gradle file and select it. Click OK
- 6. Click Open as Project
- 7. Click **OK** to accept the default settings
- 8. Open a console and run the command gradlew processResources (Mac/Linux: ./gradlew processResources). It should finish with the BUILD SUCCESSFUL message.

 This will generate all resources required by the application and tests.

2.3. Verifying the setup

- 1. Run the seedu.address.MainApp and try a few commands
- 2. Run the tests to ensure they all pass.

2.4. Configurations to do before writing code

2.4.1. Configuring the coding style

This project follows <u>oss-generic coding standards</u>. IntelliJ's default style is mostly compliant with ours but it uses a different import order from ours. To rectify,

- 1. Go to File > Settings... (Windows/Linux), or IntelliJ IDEA > Preferences... (macOS)
- 2. Select Editor > Code Style > Java
- 3. Click on the Imports tab to set the order
 - For Class count to use import with '*' and Names count to use static import with '*': Set to 999 to prevent IntelliJ from contracting the import statements
 - For Import Layout: The order is import static all other imports, import java.*, import
 javax.*, import org.*, import com.*, import all other imports. Add a <blank line> between
 each import

Optionally, you can follow the <u>UsingCheckstyle.adoc</u> document to configure Intellij to check style-compliance as you write code.

2.4.2. Updating documentation to match your fork

After forking the repo, links in the documentation will still point to the se-edu/addressbook-level4 repo. If you plan to develop this as a separate product (i.e. instead of contributing to the se-edu/addressbook-level4), you should replace the URL in the variable repoURL in DeveloperGuide.adoc and UserGuide.adoc with the URL of your fork.

2.4.3. Setting up CI

Set up Travis to perform Continuous Integration (CI) for your fork. See<u>UsingTravis.adoc</u> to learn how to set it up.

Optionally, you can set up AppVeyor as a second CI (see <u>UsingAppVeyor.adoc</u>).



Having both Travis and AppVeyor ensures your App works on both Unix-based platforms and Windows-based platforms (Travis is Unix-based and AppVeyor is Windows-based). Thus, we strongly encourage you to set up both.

2.4.4. Getting started with coding

When you are ready to start coding,

- 1. Get some sense of the overall design by reading the <u>Architecture</u> section.
- 2. Take a look at the section <u>Suggested Programming Tasks to Get Started</u>.

2.4.5. Using Git

We use <u>Git</u> as our version control software (VCS). See <u>UsingGit.adoc</u> if you find any difficulty when using Git.

3. Design

3.1. Architecture

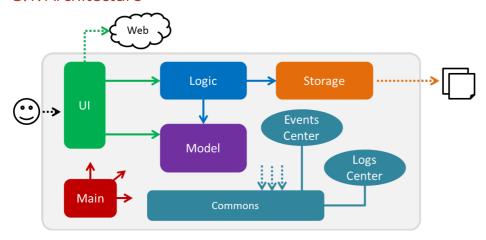


Figure 3.1.1: Architecture Diagram

The *Architecture Diagram* given above explains the high-level design of the App. Given below is a quick overview of each component.



The .pptx files used to create diagrams in this document can be found in the <u>diagrams</u> folder. To update a diagram, modify the diagram in the pptx file, select the objects of the diagram, and choose Save as picture.

Main has only one class called MainApp. It is responsible for,

- At app launch: Initializes the components in the correct sequence, and connects them up with each other.
- At shut down: Shuts down the components and invokes cleanup method where necessary.

<u>Commons</u> represents a collection of classes used by multiple other components. Two of those classes play important roles at the architecture level.

- EventsCenter: This class (written using <u>Google's Event Bus library</u>) is used by components to communicate with other components using events (i.e. a form of *Event Driven* design)
- LogsCenter: Used by many classes to write log messages to the App's log file.

The rest of the App consists of four components.

- UI: The UI of the App.
- Logic: The command executor.
- Model: Holds the data of the App in-memory.
- Storage: Reads data from, and writes data to, the hard disk.

Each of the four components

- Defines its API in an interface with the same name as the Component.
- Exposes its functionality using a {Component Name}Manager class.

For example, the Logic component (see the class diagram given below) defines its API in the Logic.java interface and exposes its functionality using the LogicManager.java class.

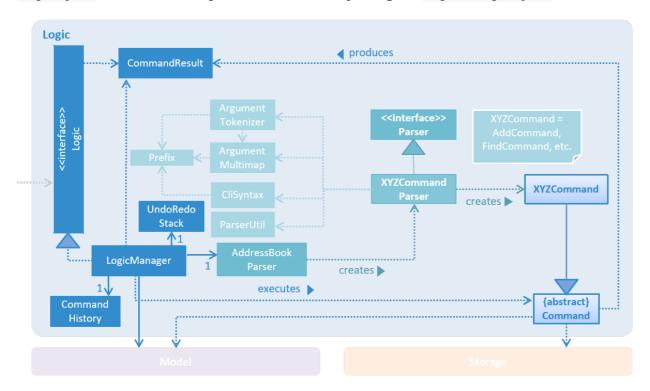


Figure 3.1.2: Class Diagram of the Logic Component

Events-Driven nature of the design

The Sequence Diagram below shows how the components interact for the scenario where the user issues the command delete 1.

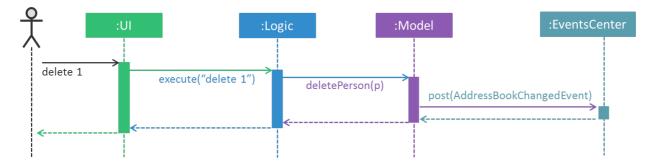


Figure 3.1.3a: Component interactions for delete 1 command (part 1)



Note how the Model simply raises a AddressBookChangedEvent when the Address Book data are changed, instead of asking the Storage to save the updates to the hard disk.

The diagram below shows how the EventsCenter reacts to that event, which eventually results in the updates being saved to the hard disk and the status bar of the UI being updated to reflect the 'Last Updated' time.

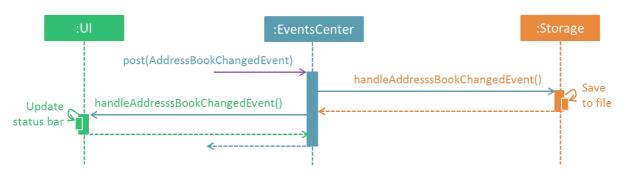


Figure 3.1.3b : Component interactions for delete 1 command (part 2)



Note how the event is propagated through the EventsCenter to the Storage and UI without Model having to be coupled to either of them. This is an example of how this Event Driven approach helps us reduce direct coupling between components.

The sections below give more details of each component.

3.2. UI component

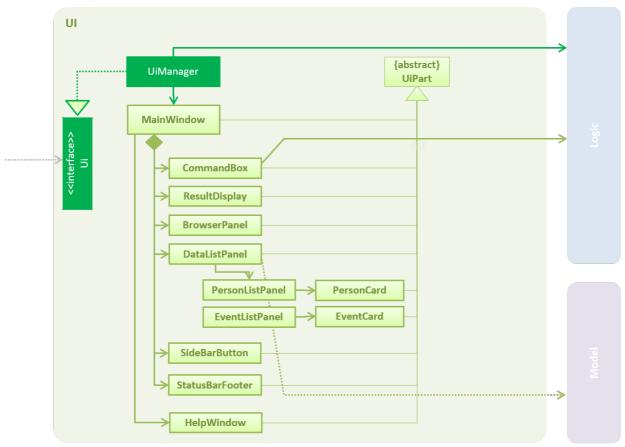


Figure 3.2.1 : Structure of the UI Component

API: Ui.java

The UI consists of a MainWindow that is made up of parts e.g. CommandBox, ResultDisplay, PersonListPanel, StatusBarFooter, BrowserPanel etc. All these, including the MainWindow, inherit from the abstract UiPart class.

The UI component uses JavaFx UI framework. The layout of these UI parts are defined in matching .fxml files that are in the src/main/resources/view folder. For example, the layout of the MainWindow fxml

The UI component,

- Executes user commands using the Logic component.
- Binds itself to some data in the Model so that the UI can auto-update when data in the Model change.
- Responds to events raised from various parts of the App and updates the UI accordingly.

3.3. Logic component

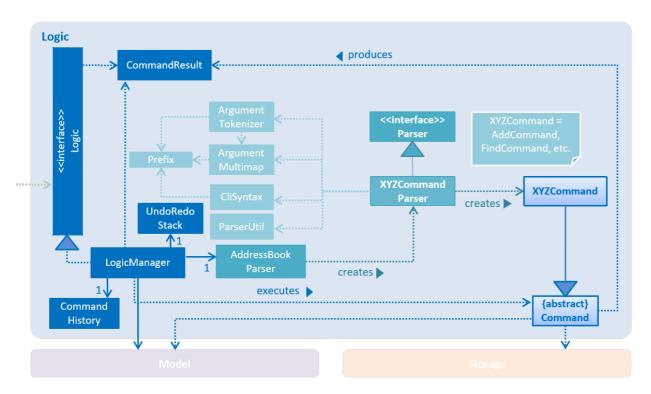


Figure 3.3.1: Structure of the Logic Component

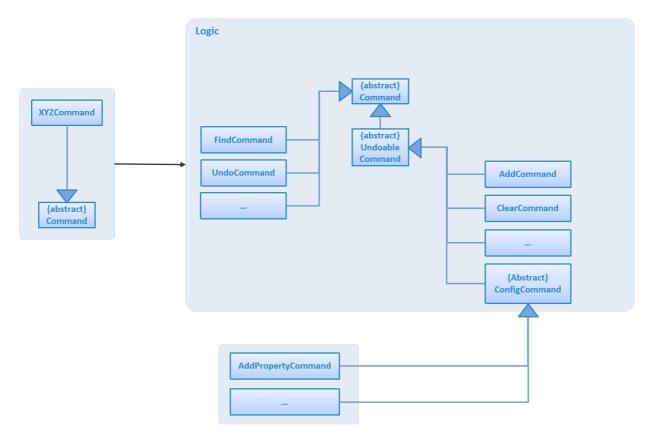


Figure 3.3.2 : Structure of Commands in the Logic Component.

The diagram above shows finer details concerning XYZCommand and Command in Figure 2.3.1

API: Logic.java

- 1. Logic uses the AddressBookParser class to parse the user command.
- 2. This results in a Command object which is executed by the LogicManager.
- 3. The command execution can affect the Model (e.g. adding a person) and/or raise events.
- 4. The result of the command execution is encapsulated as a CommandResult object which is passed

back to the Ui.

Given below is the Sequence Diagram for interactions within the Logic component for the execute("delete 1") API call.

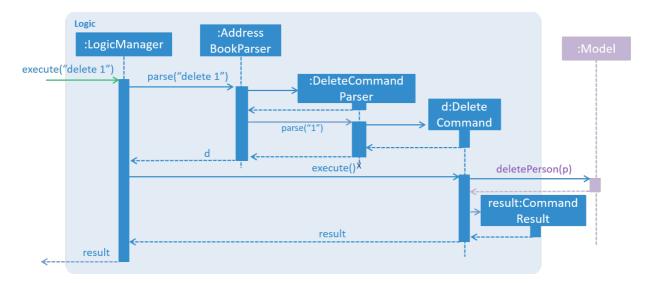


Figure 2.3.1: Interactions Inside the Logic Component for the delete 1 Command

3.4. Model component

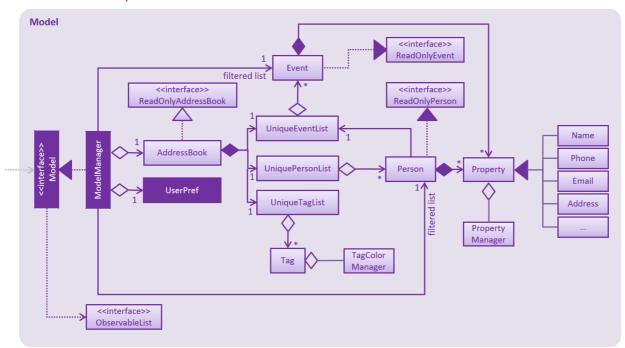


Figure 3.4.1 : Structure of the Model Component

API: Model.java

The Model,

- stores a UserPref object that represents the user's preferences.
- stores the Address Book data.
- exposes an unmodifiable ObservableList<ReadOnlyPerson> that can be 'observed' e.g. the UI can be bound to this list so that the UI automatically updates when the data in the list change.
- exposes an unmodifiable <code>ObservableList<ReadOnlyEvent></code> that can be 'observed' e.g. the UI can be bound to this list so that the UI automatically updates when the data in the list change.

• does not depend on any of the other three components.

3.5. Storage component

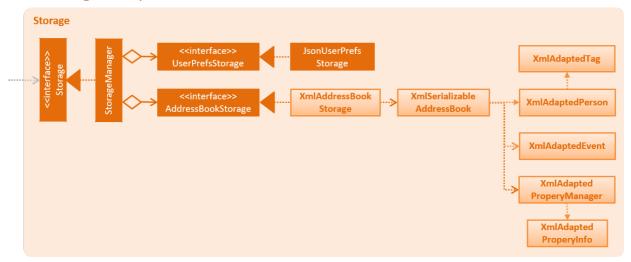


Figure 3.5.1 : Structure of the Storage Component

API: Storage.java

The Storage component,

- can save UserPref objects in json format and read it back.
- can save the Address Book data in xml format and read it back.

3.6. Common classes

Classes used by multiple components are in the seedu.addressbook.commons package.

4. Implementation

This section describes some noteworthy details on how certain features are implemented.

4.1. Undo/Redo mechanism

The undo/redo mechanism is facilitated by an UndoRedoStack, which resides inside LogicManager. It supports undoing and redoing of commands that modifies the state of the address book (e.g. add, edit). Such commands will inherit from UndoableCommand.

 $\label{lem:undoredoStack} \textbf{UndoableCommands}. Commands that cannot be undone will inherit from \\ \textbf{Command} instead. The following diagram shows the inheritance diagram for commands:}$

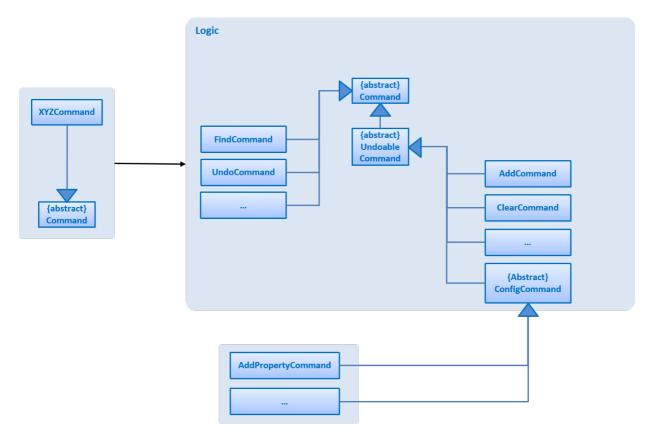


Figure 4.1.1 : Logic Component Class Diagram

As you can see from the diagram, UndoableCommand adds an extra layer between the abstract Command class and concrete commands that can be undone, such as the DeleteCommand. Note that extra tasks need to be done when executing a command in an *undoable* way, such as saving the state of the address book before execution. UndoableCommand contains the high-level algorithm for those extra tasks while the child classes implements the details of how to execute the specific command. Note that this technique of putting the high-level algorithm in the parent class and lower-level steps of the algorithm in child classes is also known as the template pattern.

Commands that are not undoable are implemented this way:

With the extra layer, the commands that are undoable are implemented this way:

Suppose that the user has just launched the application. The UndoRedoStack will be empty at the beginning.

The user executes a new UndoableCommand, delete 5, to delete the 5th person in the address book. The current state of the address book is saved before the delete 5 command executes. The delete 5 command will then be pushed onto the undoStack (the current state is saved together with the command).

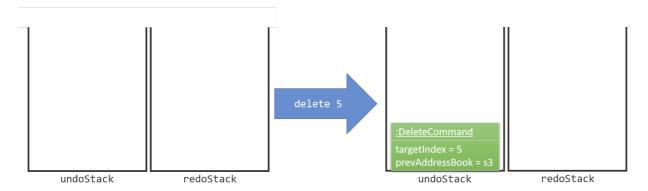


Figure 4.1.2(a): Undo Stack

As the user continues to use the program, more commands are added into the undoStack. For example, the user may execute add n/David ... to add a new person.

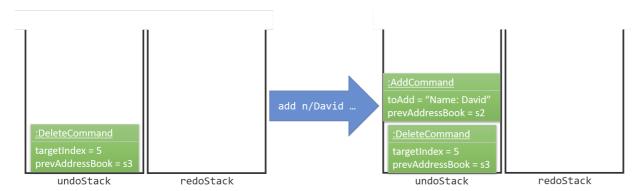


Figure 4.1.2(b): Undo Stack



If a command fails its execution, it will not be pushed to the UndoRedoStack at all.

The user now decides that adding the person was a mistake, and decides to undo that action using undo .

We will pop the most recent command out of the undoStack and push it back to the redoStack. We will restore the address book to the state before the add command executed.

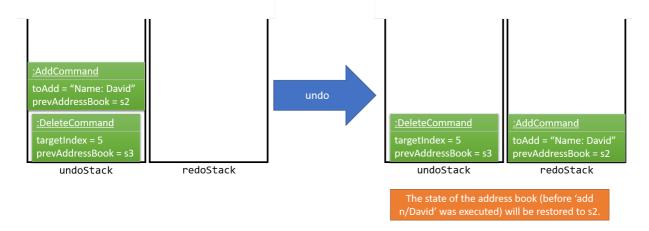


Figure 4.1.2(c): Undo Stack



If the undoStack is empty, then there are no other commands left to be undone, and an Exception will be thrown when popping the undoStack.

The following sequence diagram shows how the undo operation works:

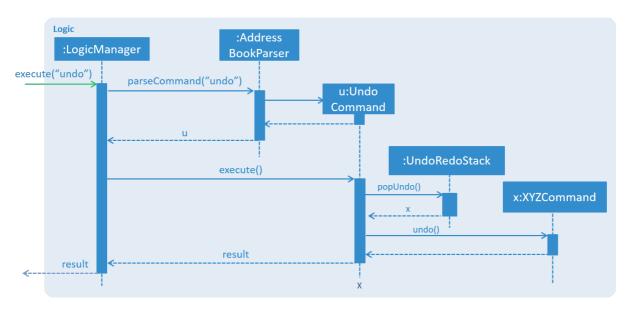


Figure 4.1.3: Undo Command Sequence Diagram

The redo does the exact opposite (pops from redoStack, push to undoStack, and restores the address book to the state after the command is executed).



If the redoStack is empty, then there are no other commands left to be redone, and an Exception will be thrown when popping the redoStack.

The user now decides to execute a new command, clear. As before, clear will be pushed into the undoStack. This time the redoStack is no longer empty. It will be purged as it no longer make sense to redo the add n/David command (this is the behavior that most modern desktop applications follow).

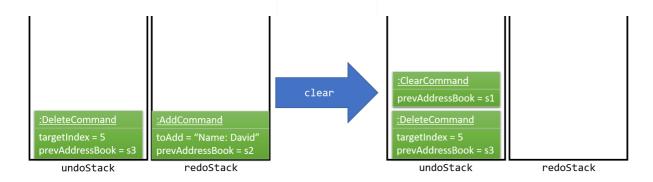


Figure 4.1.4(a): Redo Stack

Commands that are not undoable are not added into the undoStack. For example, list, which inherits from Command rather than UndoableCommand, will not be added after execution:

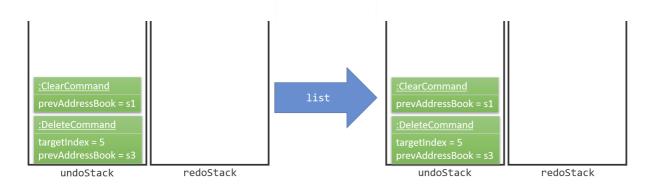


Figure 4.1.4(b): Redo Stack

The following activity diagram summarize what happens inside the UndoRedoStack when a user executes a new command:

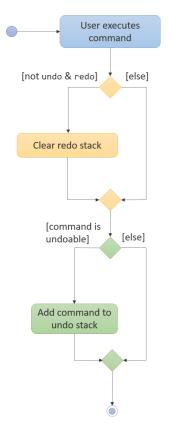


Figure 4.1.5: Redo Command Activity Diagram

4.1.1. Design Considerations

Aspect: Implementation of UndoableCommand

Alternative 1 (current choice): Add a new abstract method executeUndoableCommand()

Pros: We will not lose any undone/redone functionality as it is now part of the default behaviour.

Classes that deal with Command do not have to know that executeUndoableCommand() exist.

Cons: Hard for new developers to understand the template pattern.

Alternative 2: Just override execute()

Pros: Does not involve the template pattern, easier for new developers to understand.

Cons: Classes that inherit from UndoableCommand must remember to call super.execute(), or lose the

ability to undo/redo.

Aspect: How undo & redo executes

Alternative 1 (current choice): Saves the entire address book.

Pros: Easy to implement.

Cons: May have performance issues in terms of memory usage.

Alternative 2: Individual command knows how to undo/redo by itself.

Pros: Will use less memory (e.g. for delete, just save the person being deleted).

Cons: We must ensure that the implementation of each individual command are correct.

Aspect: Type of commands that can be undone/redone

Alternative 1 (current choice): Only include commands that modifies the address book (add, clear, edit).

Pros: We only revert changes that are hard to change back (the view can easily be re-modified as no data are lost).

Cons: User might think that undo also applies when the list is modified (undoing filtering for example), only to realize that it does not do that, after executing undo.

Alternative 2: Include all commands.

Pros: Might be more intuitive for the user.

Cons: User have no way of skipping such commands if he or she just want to reset the state of the

address book and not the view.

Additional Info: See our discussion here.

Aspect: Data structure to support the undo/redo commands

Alternative 1 (current choice): Use separate stack for undo and redo

Pros: Easy to understand for new Computer Science student undergraduates to understand, who are likely to be the new incoming developers of our project.

Cons: Logic is duplicated twice. For example, when a new command is executed, we must remember to update both HistoryManager and UndoRedoStack.

Alternative 2: Use HistoryManager for undo/redo

Pros: We do not need to maintain a separate stack, and just reuse what is already in the codebase.

Cons: Requires dealing with commands that have already been undone: We must remember to skip these commands. Violates Single Responsibility Principle and Separation of Concerns as **HistoryManager** now needs to do two different things.

4.2. Logging

We are using java.util.logging package for logging. The LogsCenter class is used to manage the logging levels and logging destinations.

• The logging level can be controlled using the logLevel setting in the configuration file (See

Configuration)

- The Logger for a class can be obtained using LogsCenter.getLogger(Class) which will log
 messages according to the specified logging level
- Currently log messages are output through: Console and to a .log file.

Logging Levels

- SEVERE: Critical problem detected which may possibly cause the termination of the application
- WARNING: Can continue, but with caution
- INFO: Information showing the noteworthy actions by the App
- FINE: Details that is not usually noteworthy but may be useful in debugging e.g. print the actual list instead of just its size

4.3. Generic property

We are using a generic Property class to support arbitrary field feature.

4.3.1. Inspiration

Users should not be limited to the provided four fields, i.e. Name, Email, Phone, Address (we are talking about the contact component here, of course one more DateTime for event component). They should have the freedom to enter all kinds of information about their contacts apart from the predefined ones.

Through a brief product survey on other existing similar software in the market, we found that they usually ask users to type all other information in the *so-called* Description or Details field. This is not a good design because doing so will make the information stored messy. The application is used to organize personal information conveniently. It is a major drawback if the data are not stored (and thus presented to users) in a well-organized way.

Learning from many modern database implementations, we should think of the data as two tables: one for **contacts** and the other one for **events**. Each table is composed of many rows and many columns. A single contact/event is one row, while all their different properties/fields are the columns (as can be seen from Figure 4.3.1.1 and 4.3.1.2).

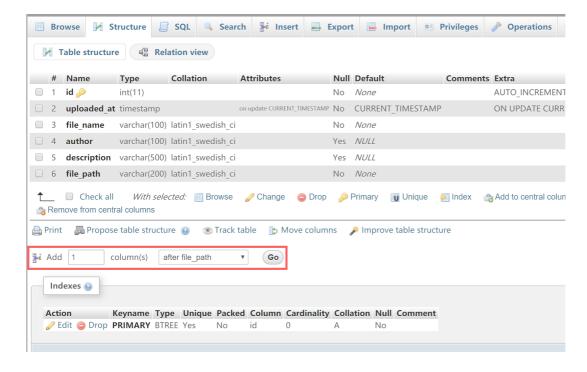


Figure 4.3.1.1 : Data Table View of phpMyAdmin (a MySQL visualization tool)



Figure 4.3.1.2: Add New Column in phpMyAdmin

4.3.2. Design Consideration

Aspect: Where to store the "metadata" of different properties (short name, full name, regular expression, etc.)

Alternative 1 (current choice): Create a new class PropertyManager in Figure 4.3.2.1

Pros: Efficient (there is only one copy) and easy for future development since it is centralized.

Cons: Requires major change to Model component and Storage component.

Alternative 2: Store these data along with each specific property class, like Name, Email

Pros: Able to adapt the current implementation of Model component.

Cons: Hard to implement AddPropertyCommand, and difficult to manage as the project grows larger.



Figure 4.3.2.1 : Class Diagram for PropertyManager

4.3.3. Implementation Outline

- Create a more general class to capture the common patterns among all columns (all different fields/properties): according to the basic OOP concept, a more generic class should become the superclass Property; then, other more specific classes (like Name, Email, Phone, etc.) can inherit from it. This design reduces a lot of code duplicates.
- 2. Find a way to store the metadata of all columns (fields/properties): in popular SQL database implementation, they usually have a separate database reserved for the database server system itself. We must store similar information somewhere as well. Thus, we create a PropertyManager to store these "metadata", including short names, full names, constraint messages and regular expressions used for input validation. They are all static variables because there should only be one copy of these "metadata". It will waste a lot of resources if we store these "metadata" with each instance of the Property class.
- 3. *Pre-loaded properties*: Things like Name, Email and Phone are widely used. They should ship with the application and users do not need any additional setup steps to use them.
- 4. Add new customize properties: advanced users should be provided with a command (config --add-property) to add their own customize fields (as shown in Figure 4.3.3.1). They should have the freedom to arbitrarily choose things like short name, full name, etc. They can easily add/edit these properties of each contact stored in the application, just like the *pre-loaded* ones.

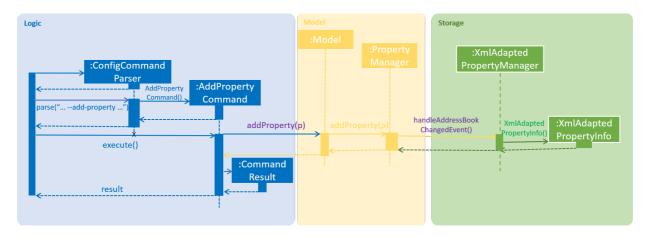


Figure 4.3.3.1 : Sequence Diagram for Adding a Customize Property

4.4. Auto reminders

We are adding a reminder to the event whenever an event is added. Reminders will notify users 2 days in advance before event itself.

As we are targeting NUS students, in view of the busy schedules of students, students should be able to set reminders for events that they have to attend to. In the case that students forget to set reminders themselves, we automatically preset a reminder that will trigger from 2 days before the event such that students have ample time to be aware and be prepared for the event itself.

Learning from many modern applications, the logic behind the applications are usually efficient and is able to handle multiple tasks at once. By automatically adding reminders alongside the addition of events, it makes it more convenient for the users themselves. We have set a default reminder to trigger 2 days before the actual event to remind users of their upcoming events via different colour schemes.

As shown in the Figure 4.4.1

- 1. The red bell indicates the day of the event
- 2. The orange bell indicates one day before event.
- 3. The green bell indicates two days before event.

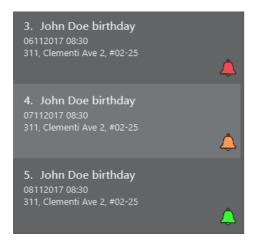


Figure 4.4.1: Reminders via different colour schemes to indicate urgency

4.4.1. Design Consideration

Aspect: How to implement the idea of reminders into Events

Alternative 1 (current choice): Create a new reminder class that contains an event parameter to it. Events have a

list of reminders within them (Figure 4.4.1.1).

Pros: Independent. Reminder class is on its own and easy for future usage since it is already a class by itself.

Each reminder is tagged to an event, such that if we want to access the reminders in an event, it is easy to do so.

Cons: Require major changes to Logic and Model components for Event

Alternative 2: Add a new parameter for Event called Reminders to display time till event.

Pros: Less changes as it is just an implementation of a new parameter.

Cons: Less versatile and reminders cannot be applied anywhere else if needed.



Figure 4.4.1.1 : Class Diagram for `Reminder`

Therefore we have decided to adopt alternative 1 of creating a Reminder class as it is more versatile for future usage.

4.4.2. Implementation Outline

- 1. Create a ReadOnlyReminder class such that it only contains immutable instances of Reminders.
- 2. Create a general class such that Reminder that implements ReadOnlyReminder. It can inherit properties such as DateTime from PropertyClass as well. In the event that a new property needs to be added, it can be done. Such a design makes Reminder class more adaptable to changes and ready for future code usage.
- 3. Reminder is now more open to changes if needed and can easily add parameters and methods now that it is a class on its own.
- 4. Have a list of reminders in Event class (Figure 4.4.2.1). Since Event can have multiple reminders, each reminder is instantiated with an Event parameter in it such that a Reminder is tagged to an Event itself. Figure 4.4.2.2 depicts the relationship between Event and Reminder.



Figure 4.4.2.1 : Class Diagram for `Event`

Composition Relationship:
When Event is destroyed, all
Reminder objects are also
destroyed

Event

Reminder

Figure 4.4.2.2: Relationship of Event and Reminder

The following sequence diagram (Figure 4.4.2.3) shows how reminders are automatically added upon

the addition of events.

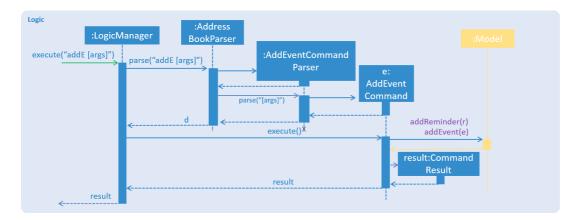


Figure 4.4.2.3 : Sequence Diagram for Adding an event (reminders are automatically added)

4.5. Switch themes mechanism

As BoNUS is targeted at students, we want to allow students to personalise BoNUS. To open up such a possibility, we decided to introduce the SwitchThemeCommand to support bright and dark themes.

In the following sections below, the Switch Themes mechanism will be elaborated with the aid of illustrated diagrams to depict the interactions between the components in BoNUS.

The $Sequence\ Diagram$ in $Figure\ 4.5.1$ illustrates how the components interact for the scenario where the user issues the command theme. Also, the $Sequence\ Diagram$ illustrates the events-driven architectural style in BoNUS.

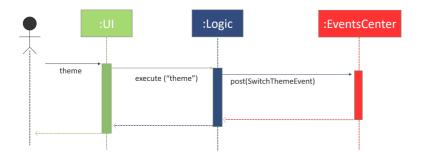


Figure 4.5.1 : Events-Driven nature of Switch Theme

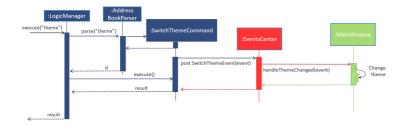


Figure 4.5.2 : Sequence diagram for Switch Theme mechanism

As can be seen from Figure~4.5.2, upon the execution of theme command, SwitchThemeEvent is then raised:

```
public static final String MESSAGE_SUCCESS = "Theme switched!";

@Override
public CommandResult execute() {
    raise(new SwitchThemeEvent());
    return new CommandResult(MESSAGE_SUCCESS);
}
```

It is from there that the event will be handled by MainWindow where the change of theme occurs as shown below:

```
@Subscribe
private void handleThemeChanged(SwitchThemeEvent event) {
    if (prefs.getAddressBookTheme() == darkTheme) {
        getRoot().getStylesheets().clear();
        getRoot().getStylesheets().add(brightTheme);
        getRoot().getStylesheets().add(brightExtension);
        prefs.setAddressBookTheme(brightTheme);
} else {
        getRoot().getStylesheets().clear();
        getRoot().getStylesheets().add(darkTheme);
        getRoot().getStylesheets().add(darkExtension);
        prefs.setAddressBookTheme(darkTheme);
}
```

4.5.1. Design Consideration

Aspect: How to implement the theme command

Alternative 1 (current choice): Create a SwitchThemeCommand command under Logic component.

Create an event for it to handle

the switching of themes in MainWindow. Implement the switch theme process in MainWindow. No parsing is involved since

it is switching between two themes.

Pros: Simple interaction between UI and Logic by raising an event to handle the changing of themes in MainWindow

from SwitchThemeCommand under the Logic component.

Cons: Without parsing, only two themes can be set.

Alternative 2: Handle theme switch by directly accessing MainWindow from SwitchThemeCommand

Pros: Shortcut to make the theme command work.

Cons: Logic and UI component should not be easily interchangeably accessed in this manner. Also, it violates Single Responsibility Principle (SRP). Logic is only supposed to handle logic components such as commands, it should not be able to openly access UI components such as MainWindow.

4.5.2. Implementation Outline

- 1. Create a SwitchThemeCommand under logic component. Create a SwitchThemeEvent for EventBus to handle the event accordingly whenever SwitchThemeCommand is executed.
- 2. Create a CSS file for BrightTheme which include its main CSS file as well as its extension files. Remove the default CSS styles from the FXML files in BoNUS.
- 3. Implement the switching of themes in MainWindow. Create a method in MainWindow to subscribe it to the event change. Raise the event whenever SwitchThemeCommand is executed such that the theme will change accordingly in MainWindow.

4.6. Import & export XML mechanism

In order to open up more possibilities to BoNUS, we have introduced the import and export

commands. We are using ImportXmlCommand and ExportCommand to support importing and exporting of address book data through XML files.

In the following sections, we will focus on how these commands depend on the Storage component to retrieve external data, as well as the file path validation mechanism adopted on a high-level basis.

4.6.1. Implementation

External Data Access

In order to achieve their tasks, both import and export commands natively require access to the external environment, unlike other commands. Hence, these commands are designed to depend directly on the Storage component.

The dependence of Storage in import and export is achieved through the Command.setStorage(Storage) method. This method mimics the existing Command.setData(Model, CommandHistory, UndoRedoStack) method, where only commands that make use of the relevant data will override this method to gain access to the dependencies.

The following shows the implementation of Command.setStorage(Storage), which is not overridden commands other than ImportXmlCommand and ExportCommand:

```
public void setStorage(Storage storage) {
    // intentionally left empty
}
```

In ImportXmlCommand and ExportCommand, the overridden method is implemented in this way:

```
@Override
public void setStorage(Storage storage) {
    this.storage = storage;
}
```

Through this implementation, commands that depend directly on the Storage component (ie. import and export) are able to gain full access to Storage, while commands that do not rely on Storage remain weakly coupled to it. The following class diagram of the Logic component reflects the overall implementation on an architectural-level point of view:

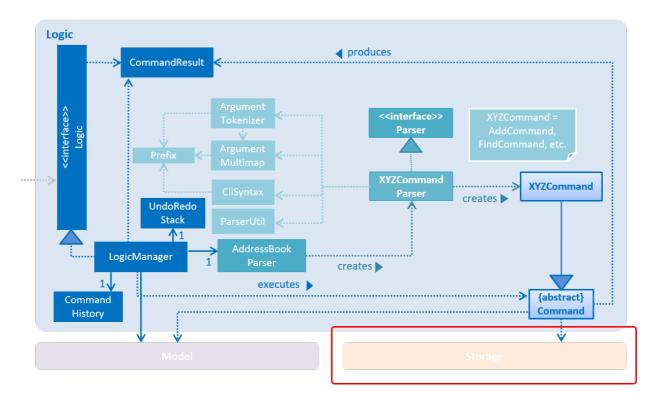


Figure 4.5.1.1 : Structure of the Logic Component

File Path Validation

File paths, as required by import and export commands, are validated during the execution of the corresponding command. The following sequence diagram shows an example of how file path validation is performed prior exporting the address book data:

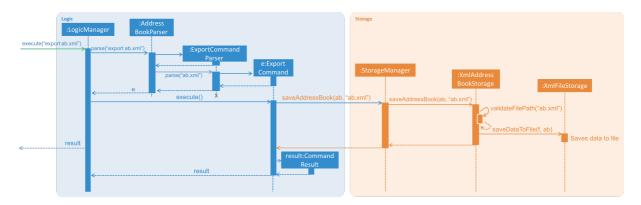


Figure 4.5.1.2 : Sequence Diagram for Export Command

To facilitate better handling of invalid file paths and to provide appropriate feedback to the user, several exception classes, all of which are derived from the InvalidFilePathException class, have been implemented. The following shows the inheritance diagram of the above-mentioned exception classes:

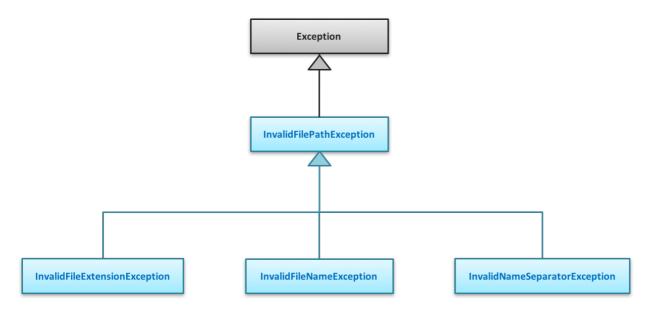


Figure 4.5.1.3: Structure of Exception Classes related to File Path Validation

With that, we are able to ensure that data would be exported to or imported from a truly valid file path as specified by the user, while being able to inform users on the mistakes that they have made.

4.6.2. Design Considerations

Aspect: Implementation of Storage dependency for ImportXmlCommand and ExportCommand

Alternative 1 (current choice): Add a new setStorage(Storage) method in Command

Pros: Provides direct access to Storage for commands that only requires it.

Cons: There is an inherent dependency on Storage for all commands, although the coupling is weak.

Alternative 2: Raise a BaseEvent in the EventsCenter through Model

Pros: Completely decouples Command from Storage.

Cons: The need for access to Storage is not a side-effect as with other commands that mutate the address book

(eg. add, delete etc.). The dependency of Storage is part of their native behaviour.

Aspect: Location for Implementation of File Path Validation

Alternative 1 (current choice): In Storage

Pros: Validation is not just done for user input file paths (ie. via import and export commands), but also for the address book file path as defined in the user's preferences (ie. preferences.json).

Cons: Validation is performed after every execution of an UndoableCommand due to the saving of the address book.

Alternative 2: In CommandParser

Pros: Validation will not be done after every execution of an UndoableCommand unnecessarily.

Cons: File path validation may also be required for other purposes.

4.7. Import timetable from NUSMods

We implement an ImportNusmodsCommand to help users directly import their NUSMods timetable to **BoNUS** by simply copy-paste the URL.

4.7.1. Inspiration

As stated in <u>User Guide</u>, **BoNUS** helps you *better(B) organize(o) your NUS life*. Thus, we want to make the application an integrated personal manager for NUS students. The main activities for most students are study-related and most NUS students are currently using <u>NUSMods</u> to build their school timetable (as shown in Figure 4.7.1.1).

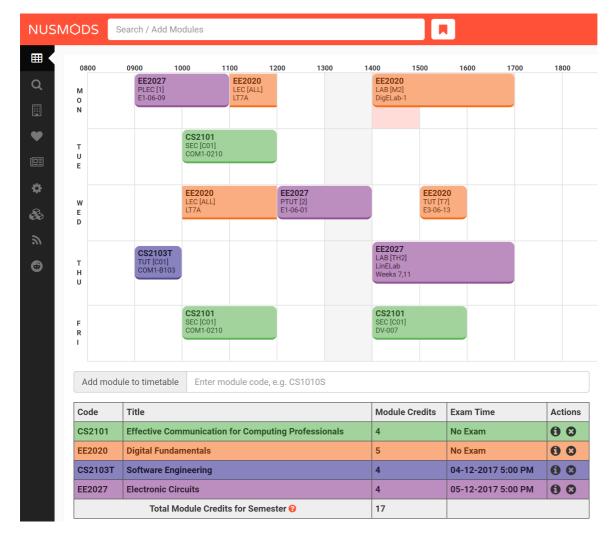


Figure 4.7.1.1 : NUSMods Website Interface

Let's imagine some of our users want to use the event feature in **BoNUS**. They want to input final examinations for all the modules they are taking as upcoming events. It would be very inconvenient and tedious if they have to do this manually. Even worse, it is very likely they are already using NUSMods and thus are not willing to add these events again. They may end up not using the event feature at all.

However, users may find it very useful if they can import their NUSMods timetable using a simple command. Eventually, they would choose **BoNUS** because they can manage both contacts and events in one application conveniently and the migration from NUSMods to **BoNUS** is not troublesome.

4.7.2. Design Considerations

 $\textbf{Aspect:} \ \textbf{Relationship between ImportXmlCommand and ImportNusmodsCommand} \\$

Alternative 1 (current choice): Add a new abstract ImportCommand class and let both of them become its sub-commands (inherit from it).

Pros: This is inspired by many popular command-line tools (like Git). import is called the actual command, while --xml and --script is called the options. Most Unix/Linux users would be used to this approach. This is important for us because we assume our users are typists and they are very likely to frequently use these command-line tools.

Cons: Need to write extra codes and parsing also becomes more complicated.

Alternative 2: Implement these two commands separately.

Pros: Easy to implement and similar to other commands.

Cons: Our users may not be used to it. The command word will become longer. It is not a good OOP practice as well because common details are not abstracted into a parent class and this produces duplicate codes.

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Aspect: How to obtain user's NUSMods timetable

Alternative 1 (current choice): Let users copy-paste the URL as a parameter of ImportNusmodsCommand.

Pros: Simple to use and easy to implement as well

Cons: Need to check whether the URL is valid and from NUSMods (currently using regular expression).

Alternative 2: Implement a built-in browser and render the NUSMods page

Pros: Users are more used to this interface.

Cons: Need much extra work to implement the built-in browser. The page may not be rendered well since the built-in browser is typically smaller than OS browser and NUSMods does not fully adopt responsive UI framework and may not work well on a small browser window.

4.7.3. Implementation Outline

ImportCommand abstract class

Create an ImportCommand abstract class and let ImportXmlCommand and ImportNusmodsCommand inherit from it (as in Figure 4.7.3.1). It is also a good practice to use an enumeration ImportType because the possible types of the import are within a fixed set of values. This leads to better modularity in ImportCommandParser as well.

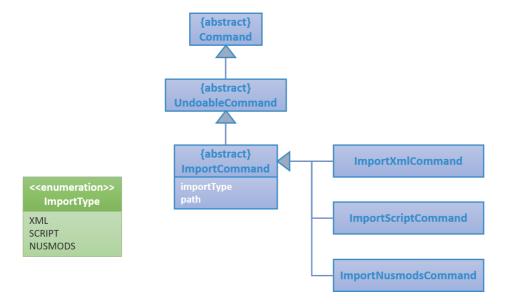


Figure 4.7.3.1 : Class Diagram for Related Import Commands

Parsing of NUSMods Timetable URL

Implement utility method to validate a given URL and parse the GET parameters. Although it is possible to utilize external library like Apache HttpComponents, we decide to implement on our own because it is relative simple to do so and using external library comes with extra expenses (such as licence, etc).

```
public static Map<String, String> fetchUrlParameters(URL url) throws UnsupportedEncodingException {
    String query = urlDecode(url.getQuery());
    if (Strings.isNullOrEmpty(query)) {
        return Collections.emptyMap();
    Map<String, String> pairs = new HashMap<>();
```

```
for (String pair: query.split("&")) {
    int index = pair.indexOf("=");
    pairs.put(pair.substring(0, index), pair.substring(index + 1));
}

return pairs;
}
```

Fetch information from NUSMods API

The URL parsed just now only contains the module codes and grouping for each module. In order to add upcoming events, we need more information such as module names, examination dates, etc. We decide to use API provided by NUSMods to fetch the information we need. NUSMods API is in JSON format, which would be very simple for us as we already use <u>Jackson</u> library in our project.

```
/**
 * Read JSON data from a given URL and convert the data to an instance of the given class.
 * @param url is the URL to the remote JSON data.
 */
public static <T> T fromJsonUrl(URL url, Class<T> instanceClass) throws IOException {
    return objectMapper.readValue(url, instanceClass);
}
```

Add upcoming events

After obtaining all the information we need, we can simply use the addEvent method in ModelManager class to add the final examinations as upcoming events into **BoNUS**. This should be a similar process as AddEventCommand.

4.8. Contacts/event listing order by name/date time mechanism

Whenever there is a command that triggers the "refresh" of PersonListPanel or EventListPanel, like when adding a new contact (i.e. add command), all the cards will be loaded in the incremental order by name or date time respectively. The sorting mechanism uses the sort method which resides inside List interface to sort the contacts by name.

4.9. Emailing mechanism

The automatic opening of email on the user's desktop is facilitated mainly by the $\tt Desktop$ class which allows the Java application to launch the default mail application registered inside the user's native desktop to handle the email $\tt URI$.

4.10. Calendar mechanism

An in-built calendar is added to the panel beside the list of events. This calendar shows a monthly view of the current month.



Figure 4.10.1 : Calendar for month of November 2017

This is useful for users to be able to compare their list of events in the calendar. It can help users to check what day of the week their event is happening on. This is especially useful for NUS students as there is a fixed daily schedule and it would be easy to check what day it falls on to ensure their availability for the event. Other usages include having to see what dates lie on a particular day for students to plan weekly events. All in all, it provides a convenient way for students to have access to a calendar without having to open any external applications.

4.10.1. Design Considerations

Aspect: How to display the individual dates.

Alternative 1 (current choice): Use a GridPane to design the table in XML. Include a class to calculate dates to be shown, before populating individual cells in GridPane using data from class.

Pros: This method makes use of JavaFX, possibly allowing us to improve the aesthetic design in the future. It also allows individual objects to be created for individual cells. This could allow us to write more functionality such as showing number of events per day to dynamic colour changes in the future. The monthDateBuilder method provides an accurate graphical representation of the days in a monthly calendar.

Cons: The 42 cell design is fairly cumbersome, requiring the initialization of at least 42 cells. The class is limited in a way that it must have 42 cells, thus sometimes many cells are left unused, and there is a wastage of memory.

Alternative 2: Use JTable to display individual dates.

Pros: A ready to use API that can allow easy building of table showing dates. It is also a powerful tool with many functions.

Cons: JTable is a UI element from a different UI design model, and cannot make use of advantages brought about by the new advantages from JavaFX, such as the node capability of JavaFX and certain aesthetic modifications. Many of the JTable functions might not be used.

4.10.2. Implementation Outline

- 1. Create a EventCalendar class that contains the month that will be shown, containing all the necessary information required for a monthly calendar (i.e. dates, name of month).
- 2. Create a monthDateBuilder class that will be used to set the current month and year of the calendar. It will also be arranging the dates in a way that will correspond to which day of the week it belongs to.
- 3. Use Calendar class to set the current year and month and store in an array (i.e monthYearArray) in

monthDateBuilder. Also, use Calendar class to set the number of days in the current month and the day that the first date of the month falls on (i.e. set using setMonthAnchors method). These details are required to build the monthly view.

4. There are a maximum of 42 cells to fill up in every month. Create a method (i.e. buildMonthArray method) to store the position of the dates in. Use an algorithm to store all the dates before the first date of the month as a blank, fill up the subsequent dates using the value of the first day of the month and their cell number, and the leftover dates will continue to be blanks until the 42nd cell.

EventCalendar Label date1,..., date 42 Label monthName Label[] dateArray MonthDateBuilder monthDateBuilder setDates ...

Figure 4.10.1.1: Class Diagram for `EventCalendar`

MonthDateBuilder Integer[] monthYearArray String[] monthDateArray Calendar calendar Integer firstDayOfMonth Integer maxDayOfMonth String nameOfMonth buildMonthArrays setMonthYearArray ...

Figure 4.10.1.2 : Class Diagram for `MonthDateBuilder`

4.11. Configuration

Certain properties of the application can be controlled (e.g App name, logging level) through the configuration file (default: config.json).

5. Documentation

We use AsciiDoc for writing documentation.



We chose AsciiDoc over Markdown because AsciiDoc, although a bit more complex than Markdown, provides more flexibility in formatting.

5.1. Editing documentation

See <u>UsingGradle.adoc</u> to learn how to render .adoc files locally to preview the end result of your edits. Alternatively, you can download the AsciiDoc plugin for IntelliJ, which allows you to preview the changes you have made to your .adoc files in real-time.

5.2. Publishing documentation

See <u>UsingTravis.adoc</u> to learn how to deploy GitHub Pages using Travis.

5.3. Converting documentation to PDF format

5.3.1. Using Google Chrome PDF printer

We use <u>Google Chrome</u> for converting documentation to PDF format, as Chrome's PDF engine preserves hyperlinks used in webpages.

Here are the steps to convert the project documentation files to PDF format.

- 1. Follow the instructions in <u>UsingGradle.adoc</u> to convert the AsciiDoc files in the docs/ directory to HTML format.
- 2. Go to your generated HTML files in the build/docs folder, right click on them and select Open with \rightarrow Google Chrome.
- 3. Within Chrome, click on the Print option in Chrome's menu.
- 4. Set the destination to Save as PDF, then click Save to save a copy of the file in PDF format. For best results, use the settings indicated in the screenshot below.

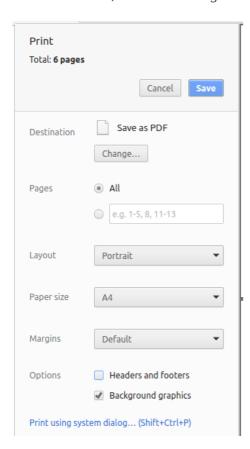


Figure 5.3.1 : Saving documentation as PDF files in Chrome

5.3.2. Using asciidoc-pdf Ruby gem

If you have Ruby installed on your development machine, we suggest you using a useful gem <code>asciidoc-pdf</code> to automatically convert the documentation into PDF format.

You can find more information about asciidoc-pdf from their <u>GitHub repository</u>. Instructions on how to use it can also be found on AsciiDoctor website at <u>here</u>.

6. Testing

6.1. Running Tests

There are three ways to run tests.



The most reliable way to run tests is the 3rd one. The first two methods might fail some GUI tests due to platform/resolution-specific idiosyncrasies.

Method 1: Using IntelliJ JUnit test runner

- To run all tests, right-click on the src/test/java folder and choose Run 'All Tests'
- To run a subset of tests, you can right-click on a test package, test class, or a test and choose Run
 'ABC'

Method 2: Using Gradle

 Open a console and run the command gradlew clean allTests (Mac/Linux: ./gradlew clean allTests)



See <u>UsingGradle.adoc</u> for more info on how to run tests using Gradle.

Method 3: Using Gradle (headless)

Thanks to the <u>TestFX</u> library we use, our GUI tests can be run in the *headless* mode. In the headless mode, GUI tests do not show up on the screen. That means the developer can do other things on the Computer while the tests are running.

To run tests in headless mode, open a console and run the command gradlew clean headless allTests (Mac/Linux: ./gradlew clean headless allTests)

6.2. Types of tests

We have two types of tests:

- 1. GUI Tests These are tests involving the GUI. They include,
 - a. *System Tests* that test the entire App by simulating user actions on the GUI. These are in the systemtests package.
 - b. Unit tests that test the individual components. These are in seedu.address.ui package.
- 2. Non-GUI Tests These are tests not involving the GUI. They include,
 - a. *Unit tests* targeting the lowest level methods/classes.
 - $e.g. \ \ \textbf{seedu.address.commons.StringUtilTest}$
 - b. *Integration tests* that are checking the integration of multiple code units (those code units are assumed to be working).
 - $e.g. \ \ seedu. address. storage. Storage \verb|ManagerTest|$
 - c. Hybrids of unit and integration tests. These test are checking multiple code units as well as how the are connected together.
 - e.g. seedu.address.logic.LogicManagerTest

6.3. Troubleshooting Testing

Problem: HelpWindowTest fails with a NullPointerException.

- Reason: One of its dependencies, UserGuide.html in src/main/resources/docs is missing.
- Solution: Execute Gradle task processResources.

7. Dev Ops

7.1. Build Automation

See <u>UsingGradle.adoc</u> to learn how to use Gradle for build automation.

7.2. Continuous Integration

We use <u>Travis CI</u> and <u>AppVeyor</u> to perform *Continuous Integration* on our projects. See <u>UsingTravis.adoc</u> and <u>UsingAppVeyor.adoc</u> for more details.

7.3. Making a Release

Here are the steps to create a new release.

- 1. Update the version number in MainApp.java.
- 2. Generate a JAR file using Gradle.
- 3. Tag the repo with the version number. e.g. v0.1
- 4. Create a new release using GitHub and upload the JAR file you created.

7.4. Managing Dependencies

A project often depends on third-party libraries. For example, Address Book depends on the <u>Jackson library</u> for XML parsing. Managing these *dependencies* can be automated using Gradle. For example, Gradle can download the dependencies automatically, which is better than these alternatives.

- a. Include those libraries in the repo (this bloats the repo size)
- b. Require developers to download those libraries manually (this creates extra work for developers)

Appendix A: Suggested Ways to Get Started

Suggested path for new programmers:

- 1. First, add small local-impact (i.e. the impact of the change does not go beyond the component) enhancements to one component at a time.
- 2. Next, add a feature that touches multiple components to learn how to implement an end-to-end feature across all components.

A.1. Example Programming Task - Creating a new command: remark

The section below *walks* you on how to create a new command called remark. By creating this command, you will get a chance to learn how to implement a feature end-to-end, touching all major components of the app.

A.1.1. Description

Edits the remark for a person specified in the INDEX.

Format: remark INDEX r/[REMARK]

Examples:

remark 1 r/Likes to drink coffee.
 Edits the remark for the first person to Likes to drink coffee.

remark 1 r/
 Removes the remark for the first person.

A.1.2. Step-by-step Instructions

[Step 1] Logic: Teach the app to accept 'remark' which does nothing

Let's start by teaching the application how to parse a remark command. We will add the logic of remark later.

Main:

- 1. Add a RemarkCommand that extends $\underline{\text{UndoableCommand}}$. Upon execution, it should just throw an Exception .
- 2. Modify AddressBookParser to accept a RemarkCommand.

Tests:

- 1. Add RemarkCommandTest that tests that executeUndoableCommand() throws an Exception.
- 2. Add new test method to AddressBookParserTest, which tests that typing "remark" returns an instance of RemarkCommand.

[Step 2] Logic: Teach the app to accept 'remark' arguments

Let's teach the application to parse arguments that our remark command will accept. E.g. 1 r/Likes to drink coffee.

Main:

- 1. Modify RemarkCommand to take in an Index and String and print those two parameters as the error message.
- 2. Add RemarkCommandParser that knows how to parse two arguments, one index and one with prefix 'r/'.
- 3. Modify AddressBookParser to use the newly implemented RemarkCommandParser.

Tests:

- 1. Modify RemarkCommandTest to test the RemarkCommand#equals() method.
- 2. Add RemarkCommandParserTest that tests different boundary values for RemarkCommandParser.
- 3. Modify AddressBookParserTest to test that the correct command is generated according to the user input.

[Step 3] Ui: Add a placeholder for remark in PersonCard

Let's add a placeholder on all our **PersonCard** s to display a remark for each person later.

Main:

- 1. Add a Label with any random text inside PersonListCard.fxml.
- 2. Add FXML annotation in PersonCard to tie the variable to the actual label.

Tests:

1. Modify PersonCardHandle so that future tests can read the contents of the remark label.

[Step 4] Model: Add Remark class

We have to properly encapsulate the remark in our <u>ReadOnlyPerson</u> class. Instead of just using a String, let's follow the conventional class structure that the codebase already uses by adding a Remark class.

Main:

- 1. Add Remark to model component (you can copy from Address, remove the regex and change the names accordingly).
- 2. Modify RemarkCommand to now take in a Remark instead of a String.

Tests:

1. Add test for Remark, to test the Remark#equals() method.

[Step 5] Model: Modify ReadOnlyPerson to support a Remark field

Now we have the Remark class, we need to actually use it inside ReadOnlyPerson.

Main:

- 1. Add three methods setRemark(Remark), getRemark() and remarkProperty(). Be sure to implement these newly created methods in Person, which implements the ReadOnlyPerson interface.
- 2. You may assume that the user will not be able to use the add and edit commands to modify the remarks field (i.e. the person will be created without a remark).
- 3. Modify <u>SampleDataUtil</u> to add remarks for the sample data (delete your addressBook.xml so that the application will load the sample data when you launch it.)

[Step 6] Storage: Add Remark field to XmlAdaptedPerson class

We now have Remark s for Person s, but they will be gone when we exit the application. Let's modify XmlAdaptedPerson to include a Remark field so that it will be saved.

Main:

- 1. Add a new Xml field for Remark.
- 2. Be sure to modify the logic of the constructor and toModelType(), which handles the conversion to/from ReadOnlyPerson.

Tests:

1. Fix validAddressBook.xml such that the XML tests will not fail due to a missing <remark> element.

[Step 7] Ui: Connect Remark field to PersonCard

Our remark label in <u>PersonCard</u> is still a placeholder. Let's bring it to life by binding it with the actual remark field.

Main:

1. Modify PersonCard#bindListeners() to add the binding for remark.

Tests:

1. Modify <u>GuiTestAssert#assertCardDisplaysPerson(...)</u> so that it will compare the remark label.

2. In <u>PersonCardTest</u>, call personWithTags.setRemark(ALICE.getRemark()) to test that changes in the <u>Person</u> 's remark correctly updates the corresponding <u>PersonCard</u>.

[Step 8] Logic: Implement RemarkCommand#execute() logic

We now have everything set up... but we still can't modify the remarks. Let's finish it up by adding in actual logic for our remark command.

Main:

1. Replace the logic in RemarkCommand#execute() (that currently just throws an Exception), with the actual logic to modify the remarks of a person.

Tests:

1. Update RemarkCommandTest to test that the execute() logic works.

A.2. Full Solution

See this <u>PR</u> for one possible step-by-step solution.

Appendix B: User Stories

Priorities: High (must have) - * * * , Medium (nice to have) - * * , Low (unlikely to have) - *

Priority	As a	I want to	So that I can
* * *	new user	see usage instructions	refer to instructions when I forget how to use the App
* * *	user	add a new person/event	save my contacts in the App / plan my schedule in the App
* * *	user	delete a person/event	remove entries that I no longer need
* * *	user	find a person by name	locate details of persons without having to go through the entire list
* *	NUS student	import schedule from NUSMods	automatically generate my school timetable
* *	frequent	import contacts from iCloud,	sync all my contacts

Priority	As a	Google+, I want to Facebook,etc.	So that I can
* *	busy user	set notification before an event starts/ends	avoid missing important issues
* *	busy user	auto-sort my events by date/time	be clear of possible clashes in scheduling in school
* *	careful user	soft delete my contacts/events	get them back manually if it is a mistake
* *	user	hide private contact details by default	minimize chance of someone else seeing them by accident
* *	user with many persons in the address book	sort persons by name	locate a person easily
* *	user	change the UI theme	customize my App
*	loyal user	send feedback to developers	help further improve this App
*	admin user	check the audit_log of the application	control how everyone in my organization uses the application
*	advance user	export all contacts/events to excel	view them on a device without this application
*	user	save my contacts on the cloud	sync between different devices

Appendix C: Use Cases

(For all use cases below, the \mathbf{System} is the $\mathbf{AddressBook}$ and the \mathbf{Actor} is the \mathbf{user} , unless specified otherwise)

Use case: Add person / event

MSS

- 1. User inputs text to console to add person/event.
- 2. Address Book acknowledges and adds person/event to the list.
- 3. Address Book is updated with a latest list of persons/events.

Use case ends.

Extensions

1a. The format of parameters entered are invalid.

1a1. AddressBook shows an error message.

Use case resumes at step 1.

Use case: Select person

MSS

- 1. User requests to list persons
- 2. AddressBook shows a list of persons
- 3. User requests to select a specific person in the list
- 4. AddressBook selects the person

Use case ends.

Extensions

2a. The list is empty.

Use case ends.

3a. The given index is invalid.

3a1. AddressBook shows an error message.

Use case resumes at step 2.

Use case: Edit person/event

MSS

- 1. User requests to edit a specific person/event in the list.
- 2. AddressBook updates itself.

Use case ends.

Extensions

- 1a. The list is empty.
 - 1a1. AddressBook shows an error message.

Use case ends.

- 1b. The arguments for edit command are invalid.
- 1b1. AddressBook shows an error message.

Use case resumes at step 1.

Use case: Delete person/event

MSS

- 1. User requests to list persons/events
- 2. AddressBook shows a list of persons/events
- 3. User requests to delete a specific person/event in the list
- 4. AddressBook deletes the person/event

Use case ends.

Extensions

2a. The list is empty.

Use case ends.

3a. The given index is invalid.

3a1. AddressBook shows an error message.

Use case resumes at step 2.

Appendix D: Non Functional Requirements

- 1. Should work on any mainstream OS as long as it has Java 1.8.0_60 or higher installed.
- 2. Should be able to hold up to 1000 persons without a noticeable sluggishness in performance for typical usage.
- 3. A user with above average typing speed for regular English text (i.e. not code, not system admin commands) should be able to accomplish most of the tasks faster using commands than using the mouse.
- 4. Should be a portable application (ie. there is no need for an installer to use it).
- 5. JAR file should not exceed 50 MB.
- 6. Test coverage should reach 85% at any time.
- 7. Should always favour security over efficiency in development.
- 8. Any user who understands English should be able to use the application with the help of the <u>User Guide</u>.
- 9. Internet connection is required if users want to sync their contacts/events in all devices and import timetable from NUSMods.

Appendix E: Glossary

Mainstream OS

Windows, Linux, Unix, OS-X

Responsive UI Framework

of the browser window, like Bootstrap.

Private contact detail

A contact detail that is not meant to be shared with others

Appendix F: Product Survey

$Contacts^{TM}$

(renamed from Address Book since Mac OS X 10.8)

Author: Apple Inc.

Pros:

- Able to import contacts from other softwares/websites, like Facebook, LinkedIn, Google+, etc.
- Able to send an email, start a call or text someone directly in the application thanks to integration with other applications.
- Able to organize contacts into different groups.

Cons:

- Data is not stored in a human editable text file (advanced users cannot manipulate the data manually).
- Only works on Mac OS, no corresponding version on Windows and Linux.

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