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ABSTRACT

With the increased dependency on the Internet and computers, the software industry continues to grow. However, just as new software is being developed, older software is still in existence and must be maintained. This tends to be a difficult task, as the developers charged with maintaining the software are not always the developers who designed it. Reverse engineering is the study of an application’s code and behavior, in order to better understand the system and its design. There are many existing tools that will assist the developer with this undertaking, such as Rational Rose®, jGRASP®, and Eclipse®. However, all the tools generate high level abstractions of the system in question, like the class diagram. It would be more beneficial to developers to have illustrations with more detailed information, such as the method level dependencies in the source code. In order to accomplish this task, a new framework has been developed that will allow the user to view both high level and lower level code detail. As users attempt to perform code maintenance, they will run the code through an existing tool, such as Rational Rose®, and then through the Method Level Dependency Generator component, to show the method level dependencies. These tools used together provide the software maintainer with more useful information, assisting with the software development process, including code design, implementation, and testing.
Chapter 1

INTRODUCTION

In the world of computing applications, approximately 30-35% of the overall total life-cycle costs are devoted to helping the programmer understand the functionality of existing code. This is a necessary task, in order to correctly make required changes in response to new requirements, to resolve errors, or perform other changes [Tomic94]. A thorough understanding of the logic, design, and structure of existing code will help developers, management, and analysts more accurately estimate the maintenance and enhancement costs, analyze code complexity, undertake thorough testing, and estimate software reliability more effectively and efficiently. However, with the “time is money” mentality that dominates in most workplaces, a professional is rarely given a sufficient amount of time to thoroughly and comprehensively complete a task in a manner that does not introduce additional problems in the software.

Reverse engineering, “... [analyzes a] system’s code, documentation and behavior to create system abstractions and design information” [Ali05]. Reverse Engineering is, essentially, the practice of examining existing systems, at any stage, to identify elements and dependencies. This information is then used to gain more knowledge about the design, the structure, system code, and functionality.
There are many existing tools, such as Rational Rose®, jGRASP®, NetBeans®, and Eclipse® (to name but a few), that provide a degree of reverse engineering. Several tools and frameworks take Java code as input and generate the Unified Modeling Language (UML) class diagrams. These diagrams are helpful to the users by illustrating object dependencies; however, they tend to be high level and leave much to be desired about “lower level” (i.e., code level) application specifics. While object dependencies are indicated through UML associations, multiplicity, direction, and other real-world objects can be complex. General dependencies at this architectural level (class diagrams with dependencies) are helpful, but such renderings leave the professional in dire need of much more detailed analysis of object dependencies extending down to method-level dependencies, which is where actual code maintenance will occur.

As a developer, it would be more beneficial to have a framework that drills down a level further than providing high-level class dependencies. A comprehensive reverse engineering framework that, when given an unknown Java program, will analyze the existing structural characteristics and generate detailed low-level dependencies and relationships among code segments would be helpful in a workplace environment. Such a framework would be used in conjunction with a well documented tool, such as Rational Rose®, that already generates the UML class diagram to form a more comprehensive maintenance approach. These existing tools would be used to show the basic architectural relationships followed by this new framework that focuses on detailed relationships by providing two-fold forward and reverse analyses of method
level dependencies, offering a more practical tool for software maintenance. The framework would, by class, show all methods declared in the class and what methods they invoke. It would also, by each method, show the class and methods it is referenced by. Equivalently, “who” invokes the services of this class and what services of other classes does “this” class invoke would be shown.

While this is clearly an arduous undertaking, a framework that provides this level of analysis up front to a software professional before starting a software maintenance task has multiple benefits. It should assist the user in both understanding of the design and complexity of an existing application as well as assuring the user a more reliable maintenance undertaking.

To set the stage for this undertaking, this research first presents a number of popular development frameworks containing reverse engineering tools, such as Rational Rose®, jGRASP®, NetBeans®, Eclipse® and others, in order to comprehensively identify both their strengths and shortcomings. The thesis will then present the details of the new framework that provides detailed method dependencies and associations.
Chapter 2

REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE

2.1 Reverse Engineering

2.1.1 Related Areas and Sub-Topics in Reverse Engineering

Reverse engineering is a broad subject area, which includes a variety of sub-topics and components. Many terms are used when discussing reverse engineering. Some of these terms include [Tomic94]:

- **Forward Engineering** – the process of starting at the gathering of requirements and then following through to design and finally to the implementation of the application.

- **Design Recovery** – gathering additional information, like domain knowledge, outside information, and deductive information for inclusion with other observations, to assist the professional in better understanding the system being studied.

- **Restructuring** – the movement from one form to another form at the same level of abstraction without changing the system’s output. Essentially, it is changing code to put it in a more structured format.
• Reengineering – the investigation and modification of a system to rebuild it in a new form. It is usually accomplished by reverse engineering a system and then forward engineering the system.

• Software Maintenance - includes changing source code to correct errors, improve performance, fix problems, etc.

2.1.2 Reverse Engineering Defined

With society's dependence on the Internet, many businesses need to modify their current applications, to make them web-based and move towards an electronic way of doing business. This trend has created more of an interest in code maintenance and evolution than in the past [Ali05]. Thus, there is now a need for experts in older systems, as software maintenance and evolution is becoming more necessary.

Roughly, one third of total life-cycle costs are used for the programmer to understand the functionality of the existing code [Tomic94]. Even though it is a timely and costly process, understanding the code is critical and significant, in order for a programmer to correctly make the desired changes. Software maintenance and evolution continue to become more important as time marches on.

Reverse engineering is the act of recognizing systems elements, along with their corresponding dependencies, to generate a variety of application abstractions and design data from these system elements [Muller00]. To successfully do this with software, the application's code, documentation, and behavior must be studied to
identify the system abstractions and various design patterns, as well as to fully understand the functionality of the system.

Software reverse engineering may be viewed as a “solution looking for a problem.” [Buss91]. Many programmers attempt to understand “how the code gets where it’s going” and “why the code is doing something” in their everyday tasks. While there are many different approaches and techniques to reverse engineer software, their common goal is to gather as much information as possible from the current system, to assist in the maintenance task(s) at hand. This information is critical to support current maintenance and/or future development, as well as providing data to project management for planning the use of software engineering resources.

2.1.3 History of Reverse Engineering

The need for reengineering legacy systems was apparent by the early 1990s. However, with the recent pressure for businesses to go electronic, by way of the Internet, to and convert many existing systems to web-based applications, this need has intensified. There is now a demand for various methods, tools, and infrastructures to assist in transforming existing applications rather quickly and relatively inexpensively [Muller00]. Over the past decade, researchers have made tremendous advances in this area.
The 1980s were focused on various program comprehension theories, along with identifying the concept of reverse engineering with the evolution of software. It was noted that a majority of the software evolution process is used up by program comprehension. The topic continued to be researched throughout the 1990s. It was during this time that various infrastructures and tools were developed to assist with the main parts of reverse engineering a system [Muller00]. As long as an application is used, it will continuously change. As it changes, it will become more and more complex.

2.1.4 Problems with Reverse Engineering

Software reverse engineering is difficult for many reasons. One reason is there might not be any documentation in the code to be modified. In some instances, the code may be complex, making the original author’s purpose difficult for the new engineer to understand. Another issue occurs when the original code does not provide the correct solution for the problem. The code may have also been altered from additional problems found, creating a very cluttered and disorganized environment with which to work. The programming language may have been updated, causing new problems in the code. The software could have come from a different environment or the hardware platform may have been modified. These are just a few of the problems software engineers may face while trying to maintain code [Buss91]. If software engineers do not fully understand the code they are modifying, this can create future problems.
2.1.5 Importance of Reverse Engineering

Approximately $30 billion is spent a year on software maintenance, including legacy systems [Tomic94]. An important and poor trait of legacy systems is many times business rules are intertwined within the application logic. As software lives, it is updated due to enhancements in the functionality, correction of errors, or improvements in quality. However, as software changes, the documentation is not always updated, as well. Therefore, the code becomes the only dependable source of information when trying to understand the application’s functionality. Previous design, if available, does not always map to the current implementation. Yet, effective maintenance requires a reasonably thorough understanding of the code and its intended functionality. This has led to the need for reverse engineering or some mechanism to recapture some of the original design intentions. By reverse engineering an application’s code a user can then recognize the artifacts, detect various relationships, and produce abstractions that can be used to re-document and depict the initial design.

2.1.6 Practicality of Reverse Engineering

When maintaining old code, the organization will eventually need to decide if it is most cost effective to keep maintaining the existing code or if the organization should reengineer the system. There are many factors used when determining if system reengineering is appropriate. A system should be reengineered if there are regular failures, code that is out of date (about seven-to-ten years old), using application logic
or structure that is excessively complicated, or code written for hardware that is obsolete [Buss91]. Other factors to consider for reengineering are when there is code with exceedingly large modules, unnecessary resource usage, aspects in the code that are hard-coded, difficulty in keeping resources to maintain the code, documentation that is lacking and leaves much to be desired, or unfinished design specifications [Buss91]. By reengineering a system, the maintainability will be improved, migration to a new environment is easier, the system tends to be more reliable, and the code is more prepared for functional enhancements.

Another reason to want to have a thorough understanding of code is the size of many applications. As they increase in size and become more complex, it becomes more important to understand their structure and behavior. Reverse engineering the code will help bring that knowledge to the user. Often, there is little information or rationale documented behind the implementation decisions. Reverse engineering is, therefore, sometimes vital to understand the reason and logic behind existing code.

2.2 Reverse Engineering Tools

Most reverse engineering tools available, including Rational Rose®, NetBeans®, and Eclipse®, will generate a UML class diagram from Java source code. jGRASP® goes somewhat deeper by generating the class diagram, a Control Structure Diagram (CSD) which is an algorithmic level diagram, and a Viewer which will display dynamic
visualizations of objects and primitives. Eclipse® provides for some additional reverse engineering functionality within the environment itself.

The tools mentioned are the more popular reverse engineering tools in common use. However, there are many others tools, including the Sun Java Studio Enterprise 7® or JBuilder®, to name a few, that will perform various software reverse engineering functions, as well. These tools will execute a variety of tasks, in addition to some of the same operations as the other tools. However, all the tools excel in different ways and possess different levels of capabilities, some are just more widely used than others.

2.2.1 Rational Rose

Rational Rose® is a modeling tool, released by the Rational Software Corporation (recently purchased by IBM), that supports, among a host of additional features, the UML graphical notation [IBM07]. An example of a class diagram is shown in Figure 1. Rational Rose® will automatically generate a UML class diagram from object oriented source code, such as Java and C++. This is a good tool for round trip engineering, as it will allow you to create UML class diagrams from existing code, modify them, and update the source code immediately inside the application. However, there is still a good deal of human interaction required during this process. While this approach is helpful, there is still a lot to be desired when trying to
understand method dependencies, necessary, for complete programmer comprehension of the system workflow and logic essential in application maintenance.

![Figure 1: Rational Rose UML Class Diagram](image)

2.2.2 jGRASP

jGRASP® is developed from pcGRASP. jGRASP® is one of the most recent applications from the GRASP (Graphical Representations of Algorithms, Structures, and Processes) group at Auburn University [Auburn University07]. The application jGRASP® is a “lightweight integrated development environment, created specifically to provide visualizations for improving the comprehensibility of software” [Auburn University07]. jGRASP® is written in Java and supports the Java programming language, as well as C, C++, and Ada. jGRASP’s current functionality includes the automatic generation of CSDs, UML class diagrams, and Viewers. jGRASP® also
contains an Object Workbench and Debugger, which help a programmer to generate and debug source code.

The CSD is an “algorithmic level diagram generated for Ada, C, C++, and VHDL” [1]. An example is shown in Figure 2. This diagram assists the user in understanding the source code more thoroughly and in an easier manner. It will do this by representing control constructs, control paths, and the general structure of each program segment. This diagram is illustrated in the margins and indentations of the source code. This diagram is often used in the place of flow charts and other graphical diagrams. The main purpose of the CSD diagram is to “create an intuitive and compact graphical notation that is easy to use” [Auburn University07].

![CSD Diagram](image-url)

Figure 2: jGRASP CSD Diagram
jGRASP® will also generate the UML class diagram, as shown in Figure 3, for the Java source code from the Java class files and .jar files of a project. The diagram will illustrate the dependencies among various classes by standard UML dependency arrows. If the user selects a class, its members are displayed. If the user selects an arrow, the dependencies between the two classes are illustrated. This diagram will help the user comprehend the high-level elements and dependencies among the classes for the specified program.

![Figure 3: jGRASP UML Class Diagram](image)

jGRASP® will also generate Viewers for Java source code, as illustrated in Figure 4. The Viewers, “for objects and primitives provide dynamic visualizations as the user steps through a program in debug mode or invokes a method for an object on the workbench” [Tilley01]. Presentation views are presented for instances of classes that
symbolize data structures, such as a link list, binary trees, and array wrappers. When the user opens a viewer, a structure identifier recognizes the data structure during the debugging process and displays the correct presentation view of the object for the user.

Figure 4: jGRASP Viewer Diagram
[Auburn University07]

jGRASP® is a very useful tool in helping the user understand existing code by generating the CSD diagrams. However, it was noted that the UML documentation generation feature is not as complete, therefore, not as supportive as it could be to the developer. This tool is very useful when attempting to debug and understand code. However, there are still some important features that could be added to assist the user fully.
2.2.3 NetBeans

The NetBeans® Integrated Development Environment (IDE) is an open source application for the development and maintenance of Java application code [NetBeans 07]. NetBeans® will create an UML class diagram from object-oriented source code, such as Java and C++ (Figure 5). This tool will allow a software engineer to create UML class diagrams from existing code. The class diagram will allow the user to see potential object dependencies, thus, helping the user understand the code. However, high level, graphical object dependencies only provide limited insight to the developer. More information is vital to foster a firm grasp of what exactly is going on throughout the application logic.

![Figure 5: NetBeans UML Class Diagram](image-url)
2.2.4 Eclipse

Eclipse®, another product of IBM, is an open source tool that provides an advanced development environment for various applications [Eclipse07]. Eclipse® will allow a software engineer various reverse engineering techniques while in the Eclipse® workspace. The Smart Development Environment (SDE) plugin for Eclipse® provides reverse engineering of Java code into UML class diagrams and output in a PDF or HTML format, entirely within the Eclipse® environment. Figure 6 displays an example UML class diagram generated in Eclipse®. In addition to these facilities, Eclipse® also provides for various functionalities within the workspace to assist in understanding program code. The Eclipse® Java IDE may assist the user by providing search capabilities for finding referenced code declarations and usages. It provides various tools for this purpose, including Open Declaration, References, Declarations, etc. The Open Declaration operation will open a class to the selected method. The References tool will show all the references in the project for that specific method. The Declarations utility will show the class in which that denoted method is declared. These features may be very helpful, but it is necessary for the user to be within the project; that is, looking at the source code. There is not a way to find method dependencies up front or without being “inside” the program code.
Figure 6: Eclipse UML Class Diagram
3.1 Method Level Dependency Framework

Research for this thesis included examining various reverse engineering tools, such as those found in Rational Rose®, Eclipse®, NetBeans®, and jGRASP®, followed by comparing and analyzing their outputs and methodologies. Once these tools were evaluated, a new framework was developed that, when used in combination with an existing tool, will generate the UML class diagram, which is more beneficial during reverse engineering due to its focus on method level detail. This new reverse engineering framework included accepting Java programs as input and determining the structural characteristics of the program. It provides for both a forward and reverse analyses of method level dependencies. The framework provides two output diagrams: a complete listing by method of all classes and methods that reference the method in question, as well as an additional listing of all references made by each method in each class. While this is viewed by many as an arduous undertaking, the availability of such a framework, when used along with existing reverse engineering tools, should be helpful to the software maintenance worker. Figure 7 shows how the new method level dependency component fits into existing functionality, to assist the developer with software comprehension, thus, creating a new framework.
3.2 Reverse Engineering Framework

3.2.1 Development Software

Rational Rose®, jGRASP®, NetBeans®, and Eclipse® were used to generate the various models to support reverse engineering methodologies. The method level dependency framework was developed in Java 5.0 using the Eclipse® IDE. A MySQL® database was used for storage and retrieval of various information artifacts as needed. A machine containing the Java Run-Time Environment (JRE) was utilized to run the application. This is a stand alone application and runs locally on a machine.
3.2.2 Framework Development

3.2.2.1 Framework Design

The Method Level Dependency Generator component was developed using the Java programming language and was organized in a modular format. It consisted of five classes: `MainFrame.java`, `FileHandler.java`, `DatabaseMethods.java`, `GenerateDiagrams.java`, and `Constants.java`. Each class, composed of various methods, was designed to handle a different part of the application functionality. Figure 8 illustrates the class diagram for the Method Level Dependency Generator. From here, the various class dependencies can be seen, along with the global variables and methods found in each class.
3.2.2.1.1 MainFrame.java

MainFrame.java was designed to generate and handle the Graphical User Interface that runs as a stand alone application for this framework. The GUI was developed using the Swing toolkit in Java, which is part of the Java Foundation Classes. This toolkit allowed for easy use of standard components, such as textboxes, panels, buttons, frames, etc. This class contained the main() method. It built the GUI and
controlled any action taken within the GUI by calling the corresponding methods to accomplish that task. The methods found in Mainframe.java are listed in Figure 9.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MainFrame.MainFrame()</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MainFrame.actionPerformed()</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MainFrame.ShowGUI()</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MainFrame.main()</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ListenMenuQuit.actionPerformed()</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ListenCloseWdw.windowClosing()</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Figure 9: MainFrame.java Method List

3.2.2.1.2 FileHandler.java

FileHandler.java managed and evaluated the data coming in through the input files. This class contained methods that read in the Java source code and, considering the order, examined it for the structural characteristics that would indicate a class or a method. First the entire input was read and any leading or trailing spaces and line feeds were removed, storing the input as a StringBuffer. Next, the input StringBuffer was parsed by open brackets, close brackets, or semi-colons, until the entire file was read. Each substring was evaluated to determine if it contained a class declaration, an object instantiation, a method declaration, or a method call. This was accomplished in Java through the use of regular expressions, also known as patterns. Regular
Expressions were created to recognize the class declarations, method declarations, all class instantiations, and any method calls in each given file.

- Class declarations were recognized by the keyword “class” and a space.
- Class instantiations were distinguished by the keyword “new” followed by a space, a word (characters a-z, A-Z, 0-9), and then a left parenthesis. The referenced name and the class name are both stored in a hash map for matching later.
- Method declarations were identified by a word (characters a-z, A-Z, 0-9) followed by a space, a word (characters a-z, A-Z, 0-9), and ending with a left parenthesis.
- The method calls were discovered by checking for a word (characters a-z, A-Z, 0-9) followed by a left parenthesis and checking to see if they have not already been labeled a class instantiation.

If part of the string matched a pattern, it was then checked for reserve words and parsed out by the characters, to get the actual class or method name. If a method call was found, it was stored in the database. The methods created to manipulate the input files are listed in Figure 10.
3.2.2.1.3 DatabaseMethods.java

DatabaseMethods.java manipulated the database. This class made the connection to the MySQL® database. It was also responsible for any calls to update or query the database throughout the framework. As method calls were identified by the FileHandler class, they were saved to the database. As the user selected to generate diagrams from the MainFrame class, this information was retrieved from the database. Figure 11 contains all the methods found in DatabaseMethods.java.
3.2.2.1.4 GenerateDiagrams.java

GenerateDiagrams.java was used to generate the output diagrams. The user has the ability to generate two different diagrams. The first diagram, “Generate by Class Dependencies,” will query the database and display, by class, each method and what method calls it makes. The second diagram, “Generate by Method Dependencies,” will query the database and illustrate by each method, what methods it is called by. The methods located in GenerateDiagrams.java are listed in Figure 12.

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<table>
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<th>GenerateDiagrams.generateDiagramByClass()</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>GenerateDiagrams.generateDiagramByMethod()</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

Figure 12: GenerateDiagrams.java Method List
3.2.2.1.5 Constants.java

Constants.java defined all constants used throughout the framework. The Method Level Dependency Generator used constants to define the various patterns it was searching for, in each class and image locations. The constants used in the framework are provided in Figure 13.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Constants.currentClass</th>
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<tr>
<td>Constants.currentMethod</td>
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<tr>
<td>Constants.Objects</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.StringObjects</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.Methods</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.arrow2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.arrow3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.title</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.generator</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.classTitle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Constants.methodTitle</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Figure 13: Constants.java Constants List
3.2.2.2 Database Design

The MySQL® database created to store the information was named “thesis.” The thesis database only contained one table, “code.” This table consisted of four columns, CurrentClass, CurrentMethod, CalledClass, and CalledMethod. While scanning the input file, as a method call was found in a class, the current class, current method, called class, and called method were stored in the code table. This table was queried, in order to generate the diagrams. The database diagram is found in Figure 14.

![Database Diagram](image)

Figure 14: Database Diagram

3.2.3 Framework Functionality

The reverse engineering framework was relatively simple to operate and assumed the input java files would compile together. The user began by starting the application.
They were given a graphical user interface that would allow them to manipulate the framework. This GUI is shown in Figure 15.

![Method Level Dependency Generator](image)

*Figure 15: Method Level Dependency Generator*

The user selected one file at a time to examine, by selecting the “Open File to Read” button and choosing the file. A file selector would appear and the user had to browse to find the desired file, as shown in Figure 16.
The file was uploaded and scanned for the various structural characteristics, indicating a class declaration, method declaration, class instantiation, or a method call. As a method call was found, the current class, current method, the class in which the called method was contained, and the called method name were all saved to the database. This was repeated for each file the user wished to read. The user was able to view a list of all files read, thus far, in the file list in the GUI. In order to quit the application, the user can select File on the menu bar and the Quit option. The Help option on the
menu bar would be used to provide the user with help information. The Method Level Dependency Generator interface can be seen in Figure 17.

![Method Level Dependency Generator Interface](image)

Figure 17: Method Level Dependency Generator

Once all files were evaluated, the user selected either the “Generate By Class Dependencies” button or the “Generate by Method Dependencies” button, to generate the desired diagrams to show the detailed dependencies for all the uploaded classes. The information can be cleared from the database by selecting the “Reset Application” button, in order to start clean again.
3.3 Framework Output

There are two diagrams that were generated by the Method Level Dependency Generator. These diagrams included a diagram by class showing the class and method calls from it, illustrated in Figure 18, and a diagram by method showing the methods that access it, illustrated in Figure 19.

![Diagram By Class](image)

Figure 18: Generate By Class Dependencies
Figure 19: Generate By Method Dependencies
The “Diagram by Class” diagram (Figure 18) shows a representation of all classes, the methods that are in them, and what methods they depend on. For instance, this example contained three different classes, Circle, Shapes, and Square. The Circle class contained one method, getCircleInfo(), that has method dependencies. These method dependencies included Circle.getRadius(), Shapes.getColor(), and Shapes.getShapeType(). The Shape class contained one method, main(), that calls other methods, Circle.getCircleInfo(), Square.getSquareInfo(), and System.out.println(). Finally, the Square class had the method getSquareInfo() that called Shapes.getColor(), Shapes.getShapeType(), Square.getLength(), and Square.getSides(). From this diagram, the user was able to see by class what other classes and methods a change would potentially affect.

The “Diagram by Method” diagram (Figure 19) shows a representation of all methods and what methods depend on them. In the above example, the application being tested contained seven methods spread over three classes. The class Circle contained the methods getCircleInfo() called by Shapes.main() and getRadius() called by Circle.getCircleInfo(). The Shapes class contained two methods, getColor() and getShapeType(). Both of these methods were called by Circle.getCircleInfo() and Square.getSquareInfo(). The Square class is made up of Length() called by Square.getSquareInfo(), getSides() called by Square.getSquareInfo(), and getSquareInfo() called by Shapes.main().
Upon completion of this new reverse engineering scheme, both method level dependency diagrams were compared with the existing diagrams generated by the other commonly-used approaches. This was accomplished by analyzing the results for each diagram. By examining output from the existing methods, along with output provided by this new reverse engineering framework, it was apparent that the new framework provided a greater level of detail. The provision of method level dependencies in combination with the output of existing tools should provide a more practical tool for software maintenance.
Chapter 4

RESULTS

The new reverse engineering framework provided for the display of method level dependencies, in addition to the diagrams of existing tools. The Method Level Dependency Generator was designed to read in Java source code input files as a source for the generation of the desired detailed diagrams. The test bed for this thesis contained many different test cases obtained from various sources, including some previous school projects. Each test case was made up of multiple class files, all varying in different characteristics, such as size and functionality. All test files contained, at the minimum, the essential information to retrieve the desired results, such as method calls and the respective method signatures. The important factor for this thesis was to present the method dependencies; thus, the test files focused on method calls. In order to test the new methodology, each test case was compiled and loaded into the reengineering framework. This generated the diagrams to display the lower level dependencies in the questionable application. The new method level dependency approach is beneficial when used in conjunction with existing software that shows high level dependencies. Many test cases were run and the results attest to this finding.
4.1 Test Case 1

The first test case consisted of four different classes. This application created multiple book objects and added the books to a library. Figure 20 shows the UML diagram, generated by Rational Rose®, which displays the different classes and methods within them, with their relationships to the other classes within the application. However, with just this diagram, it is difficult to see the method level dependencies; essentially, which methods really affect other methods. By using the new methodology, one was able to view the method level dependencies. Allowing the user to see, in particular, which potential maintenance efforts on one method may produce effects another method.

Figure 20: Test 1- Class Diagram
Figure 21, Diagram By Class showed the developer that the BookList class contained a toString() method that called the Book.toString() method and the Library class contained the main() method, which called both BookList.add() and System.out.println().

![Diagram By Class](image)

Figure 21: Test 1- Diagram By Class

Figure 22 illustrates the Diagram By Method functionality. Here, the user was informed the Book.toString() method was called by the BookList.toString() method, the BookList.add() method was called by Library.main(), and the System.out.println() method was also called by Library.main().
4.2 Test Case 2

The second test case was taken from an accounting application. This system consisted of two classes that would create a bank account and then deposit funds, withdraw funds, and add interest to the accounts. Rational Rose® generated the UML class diagram depicting the two classes and their dependency on each other, as shown in Figure 23. Notice that the UML diagram does include the traditional UML dependency arrow. While this is helpful, it does not allow the user to really see any detailed level dependencies. However, when the UML dependency model was used with the reverse engineering framework, the user had a greater amount of information available to them, information ranging from architectural dependencies to detailed
method-level dependencies, which could provide for a better understanding of the code.

![Class Diagram]

Figure 23: Test 2- Class Diagram

The Diagram By Class, in Figure 24 shows the Account class contained the methods deposit() and withdraw(), both of which invoked System.out.println(). The BankAccounts class contained a main() method, which called Account.addInterest(), Account.deposit(), Account.withdraw(), and System.out.println().
Figure 24: Test 2 - Diagram By Class

Figure 25 showed the Diagram By Method, which focused on the methods and what methods depended upon them. For this test case, Account.addInterest(), Account.deposit(), and Account.withdraw() were all called by BankAccounts.main(). Any modifications to the System.out.println() could potentially have affected Account.deposit(), Account.withdraw(), and BankAccounts.main().
4.3 Test Case 3

The third test case example was taken from a sports application. This system contained four different classes each having various methods, which provided helpful information about the application. The UML diagram, created by Rational Rose®, illustrated that the Basketball, Football, and Soccer classes were all related to the Sports class, shown in Figure 26. This was useful; however, when maintaining code, the developer will need more information about these dependencies. The new approach offers much more detailed information.
Figure 27 was the Diagram By Class. This diagram showed the different classes and what methods they call, or what methods they are dependent upon. The Basketball class’ `getInfo()` method called `Basketball.getDivision()`, `Sports.getColors()`, `Sports.getMascott()`, and `Sports.getTeam()`.

The Football class contained the method `getInfo()`, which depended on `Football.getPlayers()`, `Sports.getColors()`, `Sports.getMascott()`, and `Sports.getTeam()`; and, the method `getPlayers()`, which called `Football.getQuarterback()` and `Football.getRunningback()`. The third class, Soccer, had one method with dependencies, `getInfo()`, which called `Sports.getColors()`, `Sports.getMascott()`, and `Sports.getTeam()`.

Finally, the Sports class had two methods which utilize other methods. The `getSportsInfo()` method used `Basketball.getInfo()`, `Football.getInfo()`, and `Soccer.getInfo()`; and, the `main()` method, which used `Sports.getSportsInfo()` and `System.out.println()`.
Finally, Figure 28 shows the Diagram By Method, which presents all methods called by another method. By using this diagram, the user would know that any changes to Basketball.getDivision() could affect Basketball.getInfo() and any modifications to
Basketball.getInfo() could affect Sports.getSportsInfo(). The Football class contained three different method dependencies. The getPlayers() method was called by Football.getInfo(), the getQuarterback() method and getRunningback() method were both called by Football.getPlayers(). The Soccer.getInfo() method was called by only one other method, Sports.getSportsInfo(). The Sports class contained a few dependencies, including getColors(), getMascot(), and getTeam() methods, which were all called by Basketball.getInfo(), Football.getInfo(), and Soccer.getInfo(). The getSportsInfo() method was called by Sports.main(). Any changes to System.out.println() would only affect Sports.main().
Figure 28: Test 3- Diagram By Method
4.4 Test Case 4

The final test case was a Tree application, which would allow the user to build a tree and then find nodes, insert nodes, delete nodes, get a node successor, traverse the node by pre-order, post-order, and in-order, and then display the tree. This program was made up of four different classes, each with a variety of methods to perform the desired functionality. All of these are illustrated in Figure 29, along with the class level dependencies, in the UML class diagram produced by Rational Rose®. When performing software maintenance, as usual, this would be beneficial, but not to the level a developer really needed. However, when the UML class diagram was used in conjunction with the method level dependency methodology, more information was available, which should make software maintenance more efficient.
Figures 30 shows the Diagram By Class, illustrating all the classes and their method dependencies. The MyTree class contained the kth() method that called MyTree.next() and System.out.println() and the next() method that called MyTree.next() and Node.displayNode(). The displayNode() method found in the Node class had one dependency, System.out.println(). The Tree class had multiple method level dependencies. The delete() method called Tree.getSuccessor(). The displayTree() method requested the Stack.isEmpty(), Stack.pop(), Stack.push(), System.out.print(), and System.out.println(). The inOrder() method made a call to both Node.displayNode() and itself, Tree.inOrder(). The same was true for the postOrder() method and preorder() method. The method postOrder() called
Node.displayNode() and itself, Tree.postOrder(). The method preorder() also called
Node.displayNode() and itself, Tree.preOrder(). The final method dependency in the
Tree class was traverse() which, called System.out.println(), Tree.inOrder(),
Tree.postOrder(), and Tree.preOrder().

The TreeApp class contained quite a few method calls. The TreeApp.bigFile() method directed the applications functionality. This method called
BufferedReader.close(), BufferedReader.readLine(), Integer.parseInt(),
MyTree.depth(), MyTree.kth(), MyTree.sumit(), MyTree.total(), Node.displayNode(),
 StringTokenizer.hasMoreTokens(), StringTokenizer.nextToken(),
System.out.println(), Tree.delete(), Tree.displayTree(), Tree.find(), Tree.insert(),
Tree.traverse(), TreeApp.getChar(), TreeApp.getInt(), and TreeApp.putText(). The
getChar() method in TreeApp called the String.charAt() method and
TreeApp.getString(). Similar to that, the TreeApp.getInt() method called
Integer.parseInt() and TreeApp.getString(). The method getString() found in TreeApp
only made one call to BufferedReader.readLine(). The main() method called both
System.out.println() and TreeApp.bigFile(). The last method was putText(), which
called System.out.flush() and System.out.println.
Figure 30: Test 4- Diagram By Class
Figure 30 - continued
The Diagram By Method functionality is displayed in Figure 31. This diagram shows, by method, where those methods were utilized throughout the application.

The BufferedReader class contained the methods close(), which was called by TreeApp.bigFile() and the method readLine(), which was also called by TreeApp.bigFile() and TreeApp.getString(). The parseInt() method in the Integer class was called by both methods bigFile() and getInt() in the TreeApp class.

The MyTree class included the methods depth(), kth(), sumit(), and total(), which were all called by TreeApp.bigFile(). TreeApp.next() was called by MyTree.kth() and MyTree.next().

The Node class only had one method dependency, found in the displayNode() method, which was called by MyTree.next(), Tree.inOrder(), Tree.postOrder(), Tree.preOrder(), and TreeApp.bigFile(). The methods isEmpty(), pop(), and push(), all from the Stack class, were called by Tree.displayTree().

The String class contained the charAt() method, which was used by TreeApp.getChar().

The StringTokenizer class contained both the hasMoreTokens() and nextToken(), both called by TreeApp.bigFile().
The System class contained multiple method dependencies. The out.flush() method was utilized by TreeApp.putText(), the out.print() method from Node.displayNode(), Tree.display.Tree(), and TreeApp.putText(), and the method out.println() from MyTree.kth(), Tree.displayTree(), Tree.traverse(), TreeApp.bigFile(), and TreeApp.main().

The Tree class contained a few methods that were all called by TreeApp.bigFile(), including Tree.delete(), Tree.displayTree(), Tree.find(), Tree.insert(), and Tree.traverse(). The method getSuccessor() was called by Tree.delete(). Finally, the methods inOrder(), postOrder(), and preorder() were all called by themselves and Tree.traverse().

The last class in this example was the TreeApp class. This class contained the method bigFile(), which was called by TreeApp.main(). The methods getChar(), getInt(), and putText() were all utilized by TreeApp.bigFile() and the method getString() by TreeApp.getChar() and TreeApp.getInt().
Figure 31: Test 4- Diagram By Method
Figure 31 - continued
Figure 31 - continued
Figure 31 - continued
Chapter 5

CONCLUSION

5.1 Analysis

The test cases provided for some of the more interesting examples of all the scenarios analyzed. The test suite showed the variety of test files that were studied. The test cases varied in complexity ranging from a simple test, such as test case one, to more difficult test cases, as in test case four. Results clearly indicate the comprehensive nature of the framework that includes, not only useful UML class diagrams, but the essential addition of method level dependencies.

By viewing these results it is clear the new framework, consisting of detailed method level dependencies in conjunction with higher level class diagrams, is a useful methodology for undertaking real world software maintenance. As each test case was evaluated, the framework was found to reliably produce lower level dependencies among complex Java methods. Diagrams produced within the framework provide a quick visual artifact of method level detail within specific applications. The reliability of maintenance activities should be much improved by the use of this framework in the workplace.
Each of the test cases demonstrated the use of the new framework that provides the software practitioner with a view of the source code characterized by a lower level of granularity. By examining the results for each scenario, the developer may readily observe the results of using this new framework. The results demonstrate how the UML class diagram provided for high level, architectural information of the application. However, this information alone leaves much to be desired regarding application specific logic and detail, which is where most code changes (and errors) occur. Both of the method level dependency diagrams assist the developer with a more detailed view of dependencies in code. In particular, the Diagram By Class facility indicates all methods each of the instance methods call, thus providing a map to other services provided by other methods in other classes. To complement the Diagram By Class facility, the Diagram By Method presented for each method in a class those methods in other classes that have dependencies upon the particular method. In summary, UML class diagrams, supplemented with diagrams by class and by method, provide a comprehensive framework to assist the software maintenance practitioner.

As a software engineer, it often feels as if there is simply not enough time in a day to get the job done. The reverse engineering framework has the potential to expedite many of the activities of those engaged in software development. This new method dependency approach provides a very practical, lower level of granularity that should be useful to professionals in the workplace. By coupling this new approach with existing software that generates UML diagrams with their higher level architectural
descriptions of collaborating classes, the practitioner now possesses a comprehensive methodology that addresses both the architectural class dependencies and other class relationships, along with a more detailed analysis of application design and code central to modern day development and maintenance needs.

Method level detail provides a higher degree of assurance in reconciling a myriad of maintenance duties in the workplace. While UML class diagrams are very helpful in displaying class relationships, the additional detailed information provided by this method level generator completes a comprehensive strategy, which should provide for significantly improved software maintenance efforts.

5.2 Future Work

There are several opportunities for future work, which may extend the utility of this framework and provide additional workplace value to software engineering practitioners.

The Method Level Dependency Generator was developed using Java. This framework recognized various ways to declare new classes, new methods, and method calls throughout various files loaded into the system. However, the Java programming language is quite complex, therefore, some potential enhancements exist.
The framework could be modified to be more robust and handle the entire range of Java syntax, such as recognizing every way an object can be instantiated. Some known issues, not yet accounted for in the Method Level Dependency Generator, include the capability to recognize creating an object and instantiating it separately and to recognize multiple functions within a line, such as declaring an object within a method call.

Similarly, the framework is not set up to account for implementing interfaces in Java. This is because a class can implement multiple interfaces. With the current design of the generator, when the application encounters a method call, it will not know for certain if the method is found in the current file or in one of the interfaces.

The new approach could also be improved by integrating this generator in with the existing technology for developing a class diagrams, such as Rational Rose®, Eclipse®, or jGRASP®. This could be accomplished various ways, such as, when the user views the class diagram, a provision could be made to click on a class to view the method dependencies.
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APPENDIX A

Source Code: Constants.java

```java
public class Constants {
    public static final String currentClass = "(class)\s";
    public static final String currentMethod = "(\w+)\s*(\w+)\s*(\()";
    public static final String Objects = "(new)\s*(\w+)\s*(\()";
    public static final String StringObjects = "(String)\s*(\w+)\s*(\=)";
    public static final String Methods = "(\.)*(\w+)\s*(\()";
    public static final String arrow2 = "C:/Documents and Settings/lehays/workspace/Thesis/images/arrow2.jpg";
    public static final String arrow3 = "C:/Documents and Settings/lehays/workspace/Thesis/images/arrow3.jpg";
    public static final String title = "C:/Documents and Settings/lehays/workspace/Thesis/images/Title.jpg";
    public static final String generator = "C:/Documents and Settings/lehays/workspace/Thesis/images/generator.jpg";
    public static final String classTitle = "C:/Documents and Settings/lehays/workspace/Thesis/images/ClassTitle.jpg";
    public static final String methodTitle = "C:/Documents and Settings/lehays/workspace/Thesis/images/MethodTitle.jpg";
}
```
APPENDIX B

Source Code: DatabaseMethods.java

```java
eimport java.sql.*;
eimport java.util.*;

class DatabaseMethods {
    public Connection connection = null;
    public void getConnection() throws SQLException {
        try {
            // Load the JDBC driver
            // MySQL MM JDBC driver
            String driverName = "org.gjt.mm.mysql.Driver";
            Class.forName(driverName);
            // Create a connection to the database
            String serverName = "localhost";
            String mydatabase = "thesis";
            String url = "jdbc:mysql://" + serverName + "/" +
                          mydatabase; // a JDBC url
            String username = "root";
            String password = "rigsby";
            connection = DriverManager.getConnection(url,
                                                    username,
                                                    password);
        } catch (ClassNotFoundException e) {
            System.out.println("could not find the database driver");
        } catch (SQLException e) {
            System.out.println("could not connect to the database");
        } finally {
        }
    }

    public void insertCode(String CurrentClass, String CurrentMethod,
                            String CalledClass, String CalledMethod) throws SQLException {
```
```
PreparedStatement Stat = null;
try {
    if (connection == null) {
        getConnection();
    }

    String sSQLString =
        " INSERT INTO code (CurrentClass,
            CurrentMethod, CalledClass, CalledMethod)
        values(?,?,?,?)";

    Stat = connection.prepareStatement(sSQLString);
    Stat.setString(1, CurrentClass);
    Stat.setString(2, CurrentMethod);
    Stat.setString(3, CalledClass);
    Stat.setString(4, CalledMethod);
    if (Stat.executeUpdate() == 0) {
        System.out.println("did not insert");
    }
}
catch (SQLException e) {
    System.out.println("SQL Exception "+ e);
}
finally {
    Stat.close();
    connection.close();
}

public void resetApplication() throws SQLException {
    PreparedStatement Stat = null;
    try {
        if (connection == null) {
            getConnection();
        }

        String sSQLString = "delete from code";
        Stat = connection.prepareStatement(sSQLString);
        if (Stat.executeUpdate() == 0) {
            System.out.println("did not clear out the database");
        }
    }
catch (SQLException e) {
    System.out.println("SQL Exception: "+ e);
} finally {
    Stat.close();
    connection.close();
}

public HashMap getDiagramInfoByClass() throws SQLException {

    PreparedStatement Stat = null;
    ResultSet ResultSet = null;
    HashMap Results = new HashMap();
    try {
        if (connection == null) {
            getConnection();
        }

        String sSQLString =
            "SELECT distinct * FROM code order by CurrentClass, CurrentMethod;";

        Stat = connection.prepareStatement(sSQLString);
        ResultSet = Stat.executeQuery();

        int counter = 1;
        while (ResultSet.next()) {
            Results.put("CurrentClass" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CurrentClass"));
            Results.put("CurrentMethod" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CurrentMethod"));
            Results.put("CalledClass" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CalledClass"));
            Results.put("CalledMethod" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CalledMethod"));
            counter++;
        }
    } catch (SQLException e) {
        System.out.println("SQL Exception" + e);
    }
}
finally {
    Stat.close();
    ResultSet.close();
    connection.close();
}
return Results;

public HashMap getDiagramInfoByMethod() throws SQLException {
    PreparedStatement Stat = null;
    ResultSet ResultSet = null;
    HashMap Results = new HashMap();
    try {
        if (connection == null) {
            getConnection();
        }
        String sSQLString = "SELECT distinct * FROM code order by CalledClass, CalledMethod ";
        Stat = connection.prepareStatement(sSQLString);
        ResultSet = Stat.executeQuery();
        int counter = 1;
        while (ResultSet.next()) {
            Results.put("CurrentClass" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CurrentClass"));
            Results.put("CurrentMethod" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CurrentMethod"));
            Results.put("CalledClass" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CalledClass"));
            Results.put("CalledMethod" + counter, ResultSet.getString("CalledMethod"));
            counter++;
        }
    } catch (SQLException e) {
        System.out.println("SQL Exception" + e);
    } finally {
        Stat.close();
        ResultSet.close();
        connection.close();
    }
    return Results;
}
import java.io.*;
import java.sql.*;
import java.util.regex.*;
import java.util.*;

public class FileHandler {
    int bracketCounter = 0;
    String CurrentClassName = "";
    String CurrentNestedClass = "";
    String CurrentMethodName = "";
    String ExtendedClass = "";
    String NestedExtendedClass = "";
    HashMap ObjectList = new HashMap();
    HashMap DeclaredMethods = new HashMap();
    HashMap CalledMethods = new HashMap();

    public void readFile(File file) throws IOException, SQLException {
        try {
            FileInputStream fis = new FileInputStream(file);
            BufferedInputStream bis = new
            BufferedInputStream(fis);
            DataInputStream dis = new DataInputStream(bis);
            String sText = "";
            StringBuffer sResult = new StringBuffer(""");

            while ((sText= dis.readLine()) != null) {
                sText.replaceAll("A\s+","");
                sText.replaceAll("\s+$","");
                sText.replaceAll("\s+\$","");
                sText = " " + sText;
                sResult.append(sText);
            }

            int index1 = 0;
            int index2 = 0;
            int index3 = 0;

            StringBuffer sTemp = new StringBuffer(""");
            while (sResult.length() != 0) {
                index1 = sResult.indexOf("{");
                index2 = sResult.indexOf(";");
index3 = sResult.indexOf("}"");

if (index3 == 0)
{
    sTemp.replace(0, sTemp.length(),
                 sResult.substring(0,index3+1));

    if (sResult.length() > 2)
        sResult.replace(0,
                        sResult.length(),
                        sResult.substring(index3+2,
                                          sResult.length()));
    else
        sResult.replace(0,sResult.length(), "");
}
else if ((index1 < index2) && (index1 != -1))
{
    sTemp.replace(0, sTemp.length(),
                  sResult.substring(0, index1+1));
    sResult.replace(0, sResult.length(),
                    sResult.substring(index1+2,
                                      sResult.length()));
}
else if ((index2 < index3) && (index2 != -1))
{
    sTemp.replace (0, sTemp.length(), sResult.substring (0, index2+1));
    sResult.replace (0, sResult.length (),
                     sResult.substring (index2+2,
                                      sResult.length ()));
}
else
{
    sTemp.replace(0, sTemp.length(),
                  sResult.substring(0, index3+1));
    if (sResult.length() > 2)
        sResult.replace(0,
                        sResult.length(),
                        sResult.substring(index3+2,
                                          sResult.length()));
    else
        sResult.replace(0,sResult.length(), "");
}

evaluateLine(sTemp);

//go through the CalledMethods and see if they are
declared in the Classes read...
int Dcounter = DeclaredMethods.size() / 2;
int Ccounter = CalledMethods.size() / 4;
String CalledClass = "";
String CalledMethod = "";
String DeclaredClass = "";
String DeclaredMethod = "";
boolean bFound = false;
for (int i = 1; i <= Ccounter; i++)
{
    bFound = false;
    CalledClass = (String) CalledMethods.get("Class" + i);
    CalledMethod = (String) CalledMethods.get("Method" + i);
    String CuMethod = (String) CalledMethods.get("CurrentMethod" + i);
    for (int j = 1; j <= Dcounter; j++)
    {
        DeclaredClass = (String) DeclaredMethods.get("Class" + j);
        DeclaredMethod = (String) DeclaredMethods.get("Method" + j);

        if (CalledClass.equalsIgnoreCase(DeclaredClass) &&
            CalledMethod.equalsIgnoreCase(DeclaredMethod))
        {
            // save to the database - as in that class
            DatabaseMethods
                dataMethods = new DatabaseMethods();
            if (CalledClass.length() != 0 &&
                CuMethod.length() != 0 &&
                CalledClass.length() != 0 &&
                CalledMethod.length() != 0)
                dataMethods.insertCode(CalledClass.trim(),
                                        CuMethod.trim(),
                                        CalledClass.trim(),
                                        CalledMethod.trim());
            bFound = true;
        }
        if (bFound)
            break;
    }
    if (!bFound)
    {
        // save to the database as inherited
        String XClass = (String)
CalledMethods.get("ExtendedClass" + i);

DatabaseMethods dataMethods = new DatabaseMethods();

if (CalledClass.length() != 0 &&
    CuMethod.length() != 0 &&
    XClass.length() != 0 &&
    CalledMethod.length() != 0)

    dataMethods.insertCode(CalledClass.trim(), CuMethod.trim(),
        XClass.trim(),
        CalledMethod.trim());

    }
}

fis.close();
bis.close();
dis.close();
}
}

public void evaluateLine(StringBuffer sInput) throws SQLException
{
    Pattern pattern = null;
    Matcher matcher = null;
    Constants myConstants = new Constants();
    int inputLength = sInput.length();

    for (int i = 0; i < inputLength; i++)
    {
        if (sInput.charAt(i) == '{')
        {
            bracketCounter++;
        }
        if (sInput.charAt(i) == '}')
        {
            bracketCounter--;
        }
    }

    if (bracketCounter == 1)
    {
        CurrentNestedClass = "";
        NestedExtendedClass = "";
    }

    // set up the current class pattern
    String currentClass = myConstants.currentClass;
    pattern = Pattern.compile(currentClass);
    matcher = pattern.matcher(sInput);
    if (matcher.find()) // if I find a new class
getCurrentClassName(sInput);
return;

//get any new class instantiation (object)
String Objects = myConstants.Objects;
pattern = Pattern.compile(Objects);
matcher = pattern.matcher(sInput);
if (matcher.find())    //if the line contains an object
{
    getCurrentClassName(sInput);    //if the line contains an object
    return;
}
else    //look for the other String declaration
{
    String StringObjects = myConstants.StringObjects;
pattern = Pattern.compile(StringObjects);
matcher = pattern.matcher(sInput);
if (matcher.find())    //if the line contains an object
{
    getCurrentClassName(sInput);
    return;
}
}

//if the bracketCounter is greater than 0- then i need to look for methods
if (bracketCounter > 0)
{
    //set up the current method declaration pattern
    String currentMethod = myConstants.currentMethod;
pattern = Pattern.compile(currentMethod);
matcher = pattern.matcher(sInput);
if (matcher.find())    //if i find a new method
{
    getCurrentMethodName(sInput);
    return;
}
    //this needs to be done last and if it passes the other test before it
    //get any method calls
    String Methods = myConstants.Methods;
pattern = Pattern.compile(Methods);
matcher = pattern.matcher(sInput);
if (matcher.find())
{
    getMethodName(sInput);
    return;
}
}

public void getCurrentClassName(StringBuffer Line)
{...
StringTokenizer st = new StringTokenizer(Line.toString());
String Next = "";

while (st.hasMoreTokens())
{
    Next = st.nextToken();
    if (Next.equalsIgnoreCase("class"))
        {if (bracketCounter < 2)
            CurrentClassName = st.nextToken();
        else
            CurrentNestedClass = st.nextToken();
    }
    if (Next.equalsIgnoreCase("extends"))
        {if (bracketCounter < 2)
            ExtendedClass = st.nextToken();
        else
            NestedExtendedClass = st.nextToken();
    }
}

public void getCurrentMethodName(StringBuffer Line)
{
    StringTokenizer st = new StringTokenizer(Line.toString());
    String Next = "";
    String Temp = "";
    String Class = "";
    //handle else if
    if (Line.toString().contains("else if"))
    {
        return;
    }
    while (st.hasMoreTokens())
    {
        Next = st.nextToken();
        if (Next.contains("("))
        {
            int index = Next.indexOf("(");
            if (index != 0)
                CurrentMethodName = Next.substring(0, index);
            else
                CurrentMethodName = Temp;
        }
        Temp = Next;
    }
    //i want to store all declared methods to a hashmap
    int counter = DeclaredMethods.size() / 2;
    counter++;
    if (CurrentNestedClass.length() > 0)
        Class = CurrentNestedClass;
else
    Class = CurrentClassName;
DeclaredMethods.put("Class" + counter, Class);
DeclaredMethods.put("Method" + counter,
    CurrentMethodName);
}

public void getClassName(StringBuffer Line)
{
    StringTokenizer st = new StringTokenizer(Line.toString());
    String Class = st.nextToken();
    Class.trim();
    String Reference = st.nextToken();
    Reference.trim();
    int counter = ObjectList.size()/2;
    counter++;
    ObjectList.put("Class" + counter, Class);
    ObjectList.put("Reference" + counter, Reference);
}

public void getMethodName(StringBuffer Line) throws SQLException
{
    String Next = "";
    String Class = "";
    String Reference = "";
    String Method = "";
    int index = 0;
    int index2 = 0;
    Next = Line.toString();
    if (Next.contains("."))
    {
        index = Next.indexOf(".");
        index2 = Next.indexOf("(");
        int index3 = Next.indexOf("=");
        int index4 = Next.indexOf(":");
        int index5 = Next.indexOf(")");

        //check for reserve words
        if (index2 == -1)
        {
            return;
        }
        else if ((index2 < index))
        {
            String subNext = Next.substring(0, index2);
            if (subNext.trim().contains("if") || subNext.trim().contains("catch") || subNext.trim().contains("do") || subNext.trim().contains("for") || subNext.trim().contains("while") ||
            subNext.trim().contains("else") || subNext.trim().contains("extends") ||
            subNext.trim().contains("throws") || subNext.trim().contains("try") ||
            subNext.trim().contains("public") || subNext.trim().contains("protected") ||
            subNext.trim().contains("private") || subNext.trim().contains("static") ||
            subNext.trim().contains("default") || subNext.trim().contains("final") ||
            subNext.trim().contains("super") ||
            subNext.trim().contains("getter") || subNext.trim().contains("setter")
        }
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if (!im().contains("for")||subNext.trim().contains("return")||subNext.trim().contains("switch")||subNext.trim().contains("while"))
{
    String inside =
    subNext.substring(index2+1, subNext.length());
    if (inside.indexOf("." ) == -1)
    {
        return;
    }
    else
    {
        StringBuffer sbinside = new
            StringBuffer();
        sbinside.append(inside);
        getMethodName(sbinside);
        return;
    }
}
else
{
    if (subNext.length() == 0)
    {
        return;
    }
    else
    {
        if (index2 < index && index5 < index) //this is for casting
        {
            String inside =
            subNext.substring(index5 +1,
            , subNext.length());
            StringBuffer sbinside = new
            StringBuffer();
            sbinside.append(inside);
            getMethodName(sbinside);
            return;
        }
    }
}
if (index3 != -1|| index4 != -1)
{
    if (index3 != -1)
        Reference = subNext.substring(index3+1, index);
    else
        Reference = subNext.substring(index4+1, index);
```
else
    Reference = Next.substring(0, index);
if (index2 != -1) //there is a paranthesis
    Method = Next.substring(index+1, index2);
else //there is not a paranthesis
    Method = Next.substring(index+1);

//get the class name
int counter = ObjectList.size()/2;
String Temp = "";
for (int i = 1; i<=counter; i++)
{
    Temp = (String) ObjectList.get("Reference" + i);
    if (Temp.equalsIgnoreCase(Reference.trim()))
    {
        Class = (String) ObjectList.get("Class" + i);
    }
}

if (Class.length()==0) //the reference was not found- it must be static
{
    if (Reference.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("super"))
    {
        if (CurrentNestedClass.length()>0)
        {
            Class = NestedExtendedClass;
        }
        else
        {
            Class = ExtendedClass;
        }
    }
    else if (Reference.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("this"))
    {
        if (CurrentNestedClass.length()>0)
        {
            Class = CurrentNestedClass;
        }
        else
        {
            Class = CurrentClassName;
        }
    }
    else
    {
        Class = Reference;
    }
}
//insert into database
if ((CurrentNestedClass.length() != 0) &&
    CurrentClassName.length() != 0 &&
    CurrentMethodName.length() != 0 &&
    Class.length() != 0 && Method.length() != 0)
{ 
    DatabaseMethods dataMethods = new 
    DatabasesMethods();
    if (CurrentNestedClass.length() > 0)
    {
        dataMethods.insertCode(CurrentNestedCl
        .trim(),
        CurrentMethodName.trim(),
        Class.trim(), Method.trim());
    }
    else
    {
        dataMethods.insertCode(CurrentClassName
        .trim(), CurrentMethodName.trim(),
        Class.trim(), Method.trim());
    }
}
else if (Next.contains("(")) //there is no dot operator
{
    String ExtendedClass2 = ";
    index = Next.indexOf("(");
    int index1 = -1;
    index1 = Next.indexOf("=");
    if (index != 0) //has a paranthesis
    {
        if ((index < index1) && index1 != -1)
            Method = Next.substring(0, index);
        else if (index1 != -1)
            Method = Next.substring(index1 + 1, index);
        else
            Method = Next.substring(0, index);
        //check for reserve words
        if ((Method.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("if") ||
            Method.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("catch") ||
            Method.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("do") ||
            Method.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("for") ||
            Method.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("return") ||
            Method.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("switch") ||
            Method.trim().equalsIgnoreCase("while"))
        {
            return;
        }
        if (CurrentNestedClass.length() > 0)
        {
            Class = CurrentNestedClass;
        }
    }
else
{
    Class = CurrentClassName;
    ExtendedClass2 = ExtendedClass;
}

// I want to store all called methods to a hashmap
int counter = CalledMethods.size() / 4;
counter++;

CalledMethods.put("Class" + counter,
                    Class.trim());
CalledMethods.put("Method" + counter,
                    Method.trim());
CalledMethods.put("CurrentMethod" + counter,
                    CurrentMethodName.trim());
CalledMethods.put("ExtendedClass" + counter,
                    ExtendedClass2.trim());
import java.io.*;
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import javax.swing.*;
import java.util.*;

public class GenerateDiagrams extends JPanel
{
    public void generateDiagramByClass()
    {
        DatabaseMethods databaseMethods = new DatabaseMethods();
        try
        {
            // call the database to get the classes and methods
            HashMap Results =
                databaseMethods.getDiagramInfoByClass();
            int size = Results.size()/4;
            String CurrentClass = "";
            String CurrentMethod = "";
            String CalledClass = "";
            String CalledMethod = "";
            String PreviousClass = "";
            String PreviousMethod = "";
            String NextCurrentClass = "";
            String NextCurrentMethod = "";
            String NextCalledClass = "";
            String NextCalledMethod = "";
            Constants myConstants = new Constants();

            JFrame frame2 = new JFrame("Diagram By Class");
            JPanel pClass = new JPanel();
            pClass.setLayout(new BoxLayout(pClass, BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
            JPanel pTitle = new JPanel();
            JLabel lTitle = new JLabel(new ImageIcon(myConstants.classTitle));
            lTitle.setBorder(BorderFactory.createLineBorder(Color.black));
            pTitle.add(lTitle);
            pTitle.setBorder(BorderFactory.createEmptyBorder(8, 8, 8, 8));

            // set up the frame
            frame2.setSize(800, 400);
            frame2.getContentPane().setLayout(new
                BoxLayout(frame2.getContentPane()),
            );

            // do something with the results
            // ...
BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
frame2.getContentPane().add(pTitle);

for (int i = 1; i <= size; i++)
{
    CurrentClass = (String)
        Results.get("CurrentClass" + i);
    JPanel pCurrentClass = new JPanel();
    if (!PreviousClass.equals(CurrentClass))
    {
        pCurrentClass.setLayout(new
            BoxLayout(pCurrentClass,
            BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
        pCurrentClass.setBorder(BorderFactory.c
            re
            ateLineBorder(Color.BLACK));
        JLabel lCurrentClass = new
            JLabel(CurrentClass,
            SwingConstants.LEFT);
        Font labelFont1 =
            lCurrentClass.getFont();
        Font labelFont2 =
            labelFont1.deriveFont(16.0f);
        lCurrentClass.setFont(labelFont2);
        pCurrentClass.add(lCurrentClass);
        PreviousMethod = "";
    }
    for (int j = i; j <= size; j++)
    {
        CurrentMethod = (String)
            Results.get("CurrentMethod"
            +
            j);
        if (!PreviousMethod.equals(Cur
            re
            ntMethod))
        {
            JPanel pCurrentMethod = new
                JPanel();
            JLabel lCurrentMethod = new
                JLabel(CurrentMethod)
            ;
            Font labelFont3 =
                lCurrentMethod.getFont();
            Font labelFont4 =
                labelFont3.deriveFont(16.0f);
            lCurrentMethod.setFont(labelFont4);
            pCurrentMethod.add(lCurrent
                Me

    }
JLabel arrow1 = new
  JLabel(new
    ImageIcon(myConstants.arrow2));
pCurrentMethod.add(arrow1);
CalledClass = (String)
  Results.get("CalledClass" + j);
CalledMethod = (String)
  Results.get("CalledMethod" + j));

JPanel pCalled = new
  JPanel();
pCalled.setLayout(new
  BoxLayout(pCalled,
    BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
pCalled.setBorder(BorderFac
to
ory.createLineBorder(C
or.BLACK));
JLabel lCalled = new
  JLabel(CalledClass +
    "." + CalledMethod);
Font labelFont5 =
  lCalled.getFont();
Font labelFont6 =
  labelFont5.deriveFont
(16.0f);
lCalled.setFont(labelFont6);
pCalled.add(lCalled);

for (int k = j+1;
     k<=size; k++)
{
    NextCurrentClass =
      (String)
      Results.get("Cu
rr
entClass" + k);
    NextCurrentMethod =
      (String)
      Results.get("Cu
rrntMethod" +
      k);
    NextCalledClass =
      (String)
      Results.get("Ca
llledClass" +
      k);
    NextCalledMethod =
      (String)
      Results.get("Ca
if (NextCurrentClass.equalsIgnoreCase(CurrentClass) && NextCurrentMethod.equalsIgnoreCase(CurrentMethod)) {
    JLabel lCurrent = new JLabel(NextCalledClass + "." + NextCalledMethod);
    Font labelFont7 = lCurrent.getFont();
    Font labelFont8 = labelFont7.deriveFont(16.0f);
    lCurrent.setFont(labelFont8);
    pCalled.add(lCurrent);
    pCurrentMethod.add(pCalled);
    pCurrentClass.add(pCurrentMethod);
    j++;
} else {
    break;
}

pCurrentMethod.add(pCalled);
pCurrentClass.add(pCurrentMethod);
PreviousMethod =
public void generateDiagramByMethod() {
    DatabaseMethods databaseMethods = new DatabaseMethods();
    try {
        // call the database to get the classes and methods
        HashMap Results =
            databaseMethods.getDiagramInfoByMethod();
        int size = Results.size() / 4;
        String CurrentClass = "";
        String CurrentMethod = "";
        String CalledClass = "";
        String CalledMethod = "";
        String PreviousClass = "";
        String PreviousMethod = "";
        String NextCurrentClass = "";
        String NextCurrentMethod = "";
        String NextCalledClass = "";
        String NextCalledClass = "";

...
String NextCalledMethod = "";
Constants myConstants = new Constants();

JFrame frame2 = new JFrame("Diagram By Method");
JPanel pMethod = new JPanel();
pMethod.setLayout(new BoxLayout(pMethod, BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
JPanel pTitle = new JPanel();
JLabel lTitle = new JLabel(new ImageIcon(myConstants.methodTitle));
lTitle.setBorder(BorderFactory.createLineBorder(Color.black));
pTitle.add(lTitle);
pTitle.setBorder(BorderFactory.createEmptyBorder(8, 8, 8, 8));

//set up the frame
frame2.setSize(800, 400);
frame2.getContentPane().setLayout(new BoxLayout(frame2.getContentPane(), BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
frame2.getContentPane().add(pTitle);
for (int i = 1; i<=size; i++)
{
    CalledClass = (String) Results.get("CalledClass" + i);
    JPanel pCalledClass = new JPanel();
    if (!PreviousClass.equals(CalledClass))
    {
        pCalledClass.setLayout(new BoxLayout(pCalledClass, BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
        pCalledClass.setBorder(BorderFactory.createLineBorder(Color.BLACK));
        JLabel lCalledClass = new JLabel(CalledClass, SwingConstants.LEFT);
        Font labelFont1 = lCalledClass.getFont();
        Font labelFont2 = labelFont1.deriveFont(16.0f);
        lCalledClass.setFont(labelFont2);
        pCalledClass.add(lCalledClass);
    }
    for (int j=i; j<=size; j++)
    {
        CalledMethod = (String) Results.get("CalledMethod" + j);
        if (j>86)
if (!PreviousMethod.equals(CalculatedMethod)) {
    JPanel pCalledMethod = new JPanel();
    JLabel lCalledMethod = new JLabel(CalledMethod);
    Font labelFont3 = lCalledMethod.getFont();
    Font labelFont4 = labelFont3.deriveFont(16.0f);
    lCalledMethod.setFont(labelFont4);
    pCalledMethod.add(lCalledMethod);
    JLabel arrow1 = new JLabel(new ImageIcon(myConstants.arrow3));
    pCalledMethod.add(arrow1);
    CurrentClass = (String) Results.get("CurrentClass" + j);
    CurrentMethod = (String) Results.get("CurrentMethod" + j);
    JPanel pCurrent = new JPanel();
    pCurrent.setLayout(new BoxLayout(pCurrent, BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
    pCurrent.setBorder(BorderFactory.createLineBorder(Color.BLACK));
    JLabel lCurrent = new JLabel(CurrentClass + "." + CurrentMethod);
    Font labelFont5 = lCurrent.getFont();
    Font labelFont6 = labelFont5.deriveFont(16.0f);
    lCurrent.setFont(labelFont6);
    pCurrent.add(lCurrent);
    for (int k = j+1; k<=size; k++) {
        NextCurrentClass = (String)
Results.get("CurrentClass" + k);
NextCurrentMethod =
(String)
Results.get("CurrentMethod" + k);
NextCalledClass =
(String)
Results.get("CalledClass" + k);
NextCalledMethod =
(String)
Results.get("CalledMethod" + k);
NextCalledClass +
NextCalledMethod);
If
(NextCalledClass.equalsIgnoreCase(CalledClass ) & &
NextCalledMethod.equalsIgnoreCase(CalledMethod ) )
{
    JLabel lNext =
    new
    JLabel(NextCurrentClass +
    "." +
    NextCurrentMethod);
    Font labelFont7
    =
    lNext.getFont();
    Font labelFont8
    =
    labelFont
    7.
    deriveFont(
    16.0f);
    lNext.setFont(labelFont8);
pCurrent.add(lNext);
pCalledMethod.add(pCurrent);
j++;
pCalledMethod.add(pCurrent);

pCalledClass.add(pCalledMethod);
PreviousMethod = CalledMethod;
if (!NextCalledClass.equals(CalledClass))
    break;
}
Method.add(pCalledClass);}

PreviousClass = CalledClass;
JScrollPane scroll = new JScrollPane(pMethod);
scroll.setVerticalScrollBarPolicy(ScrollPaneConstants.VERTICAL_SCROLLBAR_ALWAYS);
frame2.getContentPane().add(scroll);

// Create and set up the window.
frame2.setDefaultCloseOperation(frame2.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
// Display the window.
frame2.pack();
frame2.setVisible(true);

} catch (Exception e) {
}
}
import java.io.*;
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import javax.swing.*;
import javax.swing.filechooser.*;

public class MainFrame extends JPanel implements ActionListener
{
    private JFrame frame = new JFrame("Method Level Dependency Generator");
    private JPanel pTitle = new JPanel();
    private JPanel pUploaded = new JPanel();
    private JPanel pBottom = new JPanel();
    private JPanel pBottom2 = new JPanel();
    private JPanel pFileChooser = new JPanel();
    private JPanel pGenerator = new JPanel();
    private JLabel lTitle = new JLabel(new ImageIcon(myConstants.title));
    private JLabel lUploaded = new JLabel("Files Uploaded:", SwingConstants.LEFT);
    private JLabel lGenerator = new JLabel(new ImageIcon(myConstants.generator));
    private JButton bReset = new JButton("Reset Application");
    private JButton bOpenFile = new JButton("Open File To Read");
    private JButton bGenerateByClass = new JButton("Generate By Class Dependencies");
    private JButton bGenerateByMethod = new JButton("Generate By Method Dependencies");
    private JMenuBar m = new JMenuBar(); // Menu
    private JMenuItem mFile = new JMenuItem("File");
    private JMenuItem mQuit = new JMenuItem("Quit");
    private JMenuItem mHelp = new JMenuItem("Help"); // Help Menu entry
    private JMenuItem mAbout = new JMenuItem("About");
    private JTextArea tFileList = new JTextArea();
}
//file chooser
private JFileChooser fc = new JFileChooser();

publicMainFrame()
{
    //set up the text area
    tFileList = new JTextArea(5, 20);
    tFileList.setMargin(new Insets(5, 5, 5, 5));
    tFileList.setEditable(false);
    JScrollPane logScrollPane = new JScrollPane(tFileList);

    //Set menubar
    frame.setJMenuBar(m);

    //Build Menus
    mFile.add(miQuit);
    mHelp.add(miAbout);
    m.add(mFile);
    m.add(mHelp);

    lTitle.setHorizontalAlignment(SwingConstants.TOP);
    lTitle.setMargin(BorderFactory.createLineBorder(Color.black));
    lTitle.setForeground(Color.black);
    pTitle.add(lTitle);
    pTitle.setBorder(BorderFactory.createEmptyBorder(8, 8, 8, 8));

    lUploaded.setHorizontalAlignment(SwingConstants.CENTER);
    lUploaded.setForeground(Color.black);
    Font labelFont1 = lUploaded.getFont();
    Font labelFont2 = labelFont1.deriveFont(16.0f);
    lUploaded.setFont(labelFont2);
    pUploaded.add(lUploaded);
    pUploaded.setBorder(BorderFactory.createEmptyBorder(8, 8, 8, 8));

    //set up the the actions
    bOpenFile.addActionListener(this);
    bGenerateByClass.addActionListener(this);
    bGenerateByMethod.addActionListener(this);
    bReset.addActionListener(this);
    miQuit.addActionListener(new ListenMenuQuit());

    //Add Buttons
    buttonPanel.add(bOpenFile);
    pBottom.add(bGenerateByClass);
    pBottom.add(bGenerateByMethod);
    pBottom2.add(bReset);
    pGenerator.add(lgenerator);

    //set up the frame
    frame.setSize(800, 400);
frame.getContentPane().setLayout(new BoxLayout(frame.getContentPane(), BoxLayout.Y_AXIS));
frame.getContentPane().add(pTitle);
frame.getContentPane().add(buttonPanel);
frame.getContentPane().add(pFileChooser);
frame.getContentPane().add(pUploaded);
frame.getContentPane().add(logScrollPane);
frame.getContentPane().add(pBottom);
frame.getContentPane().add(pBottom2);
frame.getContentPane().add(pGenerator);
// Allows the Swing App to be closed
frame.addWindowListener(new ListenCloseWdw());

public class ListenMenuQuit implements ActionListener {
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
        System.exit(0);
    }
}

public class ListenCloseWdw extends WindowAdapter {
    public void windowClosing(WindowEvent e) {
        System.exit(0);
    }
}

public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
    GenerateDiagrams generateDiagrams = new GenerateDiagrams();
    //Handle button action,
    if (e.getSource() == bOpenFile) {
        int returnVal = fc.showOpenDialog(MainFrame.this);
        if (returnVal == JFileChooser.APPROVE_OPTION) {
            File file = fc.getSelectedFile();
tFileList.append(file.getName() + "\n");
            FileHandler fileHandler = new FileHandler();
            try {
                fileHandler.readFile(file);
            }
            catch (Exception e2) {
            }
        }
    }
    else if (e.getSource() == bGenerateByClass) {
        generateDiagrams.generateDiagramByClass();
    }
else if (e.getSource() == bGenerateByMethod)
{
    generateDiagrams.generateDiagramByMethod();
}
else if (e.getSource() == bReset)
{
    DatabaseMethods dataMethods = new DatabaseMethods();
    try
    {
        dataMethods.resetApplication();
    }
    catch (Exception e3)
    {
    }
}

private void ShowGUI()
{
    //Create and set up the window.
    frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
    //Display the window.
    frame.pack();
    frame.setVisible(true);
}

public static void main(String[] args)
{
    MainFrame mf = new MainFrame();
    mf.ShowGUI();
}
VITA

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