

CSE 416-S01

Code Review Preparation

Coding Conventions Highlights

Java with some Python and JavaScript

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Reading

- Python coding style

<https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/>

“Code is read much more often than it is written. “

“A style guide is about consistency. Consistency with this style guide is important. Consistency within a project is more important. Consistency within one module or function is the most important.”

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Code Reviews

Includes review of pre-processing, server, and client code

- Code review dates
 - In class – 10-minute sessions today (volunteer) and 12/4 (actual)
 - Others – 10-minute Zoom sessions (attendance limited to the team) on Monday, 12/8
 - Project team picks the starting use case
 - Start by briefly showing the GUI (does not need to be fully functional)
 - Trace the use case logic step-by-step in the code, starting with the HTML
- Plan to respond to requests to review any use case or algorithm / pre-processing code
- Scoring
 - Oral communications (maximum of 5 points)
 - Technical (maximum of 100 points)

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Oral Communications Evaluation Criteria

- Voice Projection
- Proper use of vocabulary
- Effectively managing time
- Handling questions

If not in class - all team members must enable video in Zoom

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Technical Quality Evaluation Criteria - Overall

- Code is readable and maintainable
- Code is logical
- Code follows coding conventions
- Completed code shows progress in all aspects of the system
- Team demonstrates an understanding of libraries, frameworks, and language features
- Test (or real) data is available for all planned use cases
- DB is partially populated

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Technical Evaluation Criteria

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| • Absence of logic flaws | • Appropriate use of tools |
| • Use of appropriate data structures | • Comprehensive RESTful API |
| • Correct structure | • Proper client event handling |
| • Proper style (e.g., readable) | • Robust set of SW to date |
| • Consistency of coding style | • Comments only when needed |
| • Appropriately named identifiers | • Avoiding “magic” numbers |
| • Modular code | • Import of configuration data |
| | • Code to enable testing |

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AI Code Checking

- Be prepared to discuss AI tools you have used to improve your code
 - Code quality
 - Readability
 - Performance
 - Refactoring
 - Improving modularity

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Why Do We Need Coding Conventions?

- Reduce software maintenance
- Improve readability of the SW
 - Easier code walkthroughs and design reviews
 - Short methods

Think about showing
complete logic blocks in
one screen

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Comments

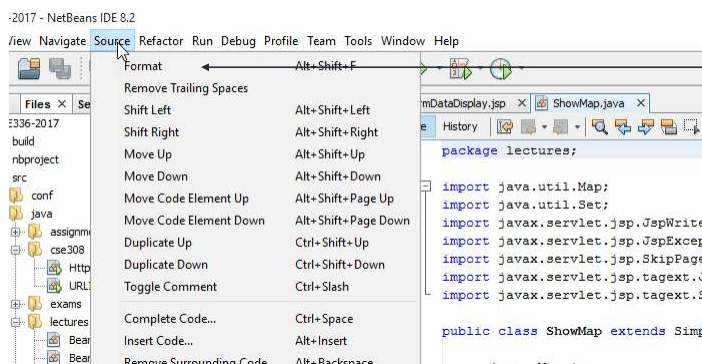
- Implementation comments are for commenting out code or describing particular implementation issues
- **Comments should provide only info that is not available in the code (don't document trivial issues)**
- Don't use special characters, boxes, etc.
- Block comments should be indented to the same level as the code
- Trailing comments (same line) should be shifted away from code

Comments often take away
from single screen readability

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Appearance

- Indentation
 - 2 spaces is recommended (4 is OK)
 - Use the formatting feature of your IDE (tailor your settings)



Helpful to use the IDE
format feature regularly
as you are coding – it
helps you to see errors

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Java Declarations

- Declarations at the beginning of a block
- One declaration per line
- You can either use a space or a tab between the type and the identifier
 - `int level` `//authorization level`
 - `int level` `//authorization level`
- No space between a method name and the (
- { at the end of the line
- {} when there is a null

Left alignment
improves readability

Helpful if identifier names line up
on multiple lines

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Java Annotations

- Annotations applying to a class, method or constructor appear immediately after the documentation block
- Each annotation is listed on a line of its own (that is, one annotation per line)

```
@Override
@Nullable
public String getNameIfPresent() { ... }
```

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Blank Lines

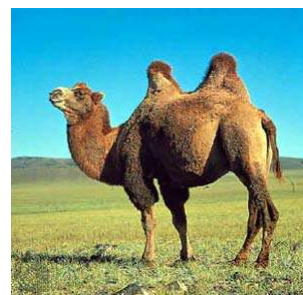
- Between methods
- Between local variables in a method and the first statement
- Between logical sections

Do not use unnecessary blank lines – remember, a code module should be readable on a screen without scrolling

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Java Naming Conventions

- Packages – lower case (not CC)
- Classes – should be nouns in upper camel case
 - First letter of each internal word is capitalized
 - Use whole words – avoid acronyms and abbreviations
- Methods – should be verbs in lower camel case
- Variables – lower camel case
 - Don't use `_` or `$`
- Constants – all uppercase



Do not use default package

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Worthless Documentation

```
/**
 * Represents a command history
 */
public class CommandHistory {
    /**
     * Get the command history for a given user
     */
    public static CommandHistory
    getCommandHistory(String user) {
    }
}
```

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Python Coding Convention Highlights

- PeP 8 – style guide
- Naming
 - Variables, lower case, using a _ for separation
 - Classes – upper camel case
- 4 spaces per indentation level
- # Arguments on first line discouraged, as in
- No mixing of tabs and spaces for indentation (spaces preferred)
- Lines limited to 79 characters
- Imports at the top of the file on separate lines

```
foo = long_function_name(var_one, var_two,
                          var_three, var_four)
```

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