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Table 1: **Revision History**

Date	Version	Notes
Date 1	1.0	Notes
Date 2	1.1	Notes

1 Introduction

Decomposing a system into modules is a commonly accepted approach to developing software. A module is a work assignment for a programmer or programming team (?). We advocate a decomposition based on the principle of information hiding (?). This principle supports design for change, because the “secrets” that each module hides represent likely future changes. Design for change is valuable in SC, where modifications are frequent, especially during initial development as the solution space is explored. Our design follows the rules layed out by ?, as follows:

- System details that are likely to change independently should be the secrets of separate modules.
- Each data structure is used in only one module.
- Any other program that requires information stored in a module’s data structures must obtain it by calling access programs belonging to that module.

After completing the first stage of the design, the Software Requirements Specification (SRS), the Module Guide (MG) is developed (?). The MG specifies the modular structure of the system and is intended to allow both designers and maintainers to easily identify the parts of the software. The potential readers of this document are as follows:

- New project members: This document can be a guide for a new project member to easily understand the overall structure and quickly find the relevant modules they are searching for.
- Maintainers: The hierarchical structure of the module guide improves the maintainers’ understanding when they need to make changes to the system. It is important for a maintainer to update the relevant sections of the document after changes have been made.
- Designers: Once the module guide has been written, it can be used to check for consistency, feasibility and flexibility. Designers can verify the system in various ways, such as consistency among modules, feasibility of the decomposition, and flexibility of the design.

The rest of the document is organized as follows. Section 2 lists the anticipated and unlikely changes of the software requirements. Section 3 summarizes the module decomposition that was constructed according to the likely changes. Section 4 specifies the connections between the software requirements and the modules. Section 5 gives a detailed description of the modules. Section 6 includes two traceability matrices. One checks the completeness of the design against the requirements provided in the SRS. The other shows the relation between anticipated changes and the modules. Section 7 describes the use relation between modules.

2 Anticipated and Unlikely Changes

This section identifies possible changes to the software system. These changes to the design choices are organized into two categories. Anticipated changes, and unlikely changes. Anticipated changes are listed in Section 2.1, and the unlikely changes are listed in Section 2.2.

2.1 Anticipated Changes

The design decisions in this section are likely to change because they are hidden in modules. When these changes are made, they can be done easily and not affect other modules of the project.

AC1: All classes that implement the Class interface are likely to have their stats change for balancing reasons.

AC2: All weapons that implement the Weapon interface are likely to have their stats change for balancing reasons.

AC3: The `getHitRate()` and `getCritRate()` methods inside the `DamageCalculations` class are likely to change for balancing reasons.

AC4: All sprites from outside sources. It has been determined that the project should contain all original content.

2.2 Unlikely Changes

The following design decisions are unlikely to change because they affect many modules. Since they affect multiple modules, changing these decisions may result in multiple changes in the overall design of the project. Unless these changes are necessary, they will not occur.

UC1: Input/Output devices (Input: Mouse, Output: Updated Model and Screen).

UC2: The software implements the MVC (Model-View-Controller) architecture.

UC3: The Graph of nodes that represents the playable grid.

UC4: Nodes are identified by their x and y coordinates.

UC5: The path finding algorithm.

3 Module Hierarchy

This section provides an overview of the module design. Modules are summarized in a hierarchy decomposed by secrets in Table 2. The modules listed below, which are leaves in the hierarchy tree, are the modules that will actually be implemented.

- M1:** Hardware-Hiding Module
- M2:** Behaviour-Hiding Module
- M3:** Software Decision Module
- M4:** Graph Module
- M5:** Node Module
- M6:** Unit Module
- M7:** Weapon Module
- M8:** Player Module
- M9:** Game State Module
- M10:** Damage Calculations Module
- M11:** Game Function Module
- M12:** Game Construction Module
- M13:** Mouse Handler Module

Level 1	Level 2
Hardware-Hiding Module	
	Graph Module
	Node Module
	Unit Module
Behaviour-Hiding Module	Weapon Module
	Player Module
	Game State Module
	Damage Calculations Module
	Game Module
Software Decision Module	Game Function Module
	Game Construction Module
	Mouse Handler Module

Table 2: Module Hierarchy

Since Blaze-Brigade consists of purely software, M1 does not apply to the system. The software never interfaces with the hardware itself. The lowest level of interfacing with the software is the OS.

4 Connection Between Requirements and Design

The design of the system is intended to satisfy the requirements developed in the SRS. In this stage, the system is decomposed into modules. The connection between requirements and modules is listed in Table 3.

5 Module Decomposition

Modules are decomposed according to the principle of “information hiding” proposed by ?. The *Secrets* field in a module decomposition is a brief statement of the design decision hidden by the module. The *Services* field specifies *what* the module will do without documenting *how* to do it. For each module, a suggestion for the implementing software is given under the *Implemented By* title. If the entry is *OS*, this means that the module is provided by the operating system or by standard programming language libraries. Also indicate if the module will be implemented specifically for the software. Only the leaf modules in the hierarchy have to be implemented. If a dash (–) is shown, this means that the module is not a leaf and will not have to be implemented. Whether or not this module is implemented depends on the programming language selected.

5.1 Hardware Hiding Modules (M13)

Secrets: The data structure and algorithm used to implement the virtual hardware.

Services: Serves as a virtual hardware used by the rest of the system. This module provides the interface between the hardware and the software. So, the system can use it to display outputs or to accept inputs.

Implemented By: OS

5.2 Behaviour-Hiding Module

Secrets: The contents of the required behaviours.

Services: Includes programs that provide externally visible behaviour of the system as specified in the software requirements specification (SRS) documents. This module serves as a communication layer between the hardware-hiding module and the software decision module. The programs in this module will need to change if there are changes in the SRS.

Implemented By: –

5.2.1 Input Format Module (M??)

Secrets: The format and structure of the input data.

Services: Converts the input data into the data structure used by the input parameters module.

Implemented By: [Your Program Name Here]

5.2.2 Etc.

5.3 Software Decision Module

Secrets: The design decision based on mathematical theorems, physical facts, or programming considerations. The secrets of this module are *not* described in the SRS.

Services: Includes data structure and algorithms used in the system that do not provide direct interaction with the user.

Implemented By: –

5.3.1 Etc.

6 Traceability Matrix

This section shows two traceability matrices: between the modules and the requirements and between the modules and the anticipated changes.

Req.	Modules
R1	M13, M??, M??, M??
R2	M??, M??
R3	M??
R4	M??, M??
R5	M??, M??, M??, M??, M??, M??
R6	M??, M??, M??, M??, M??, M??
R7	M??, M??, M??, M??, M??
R8	M??, M??, M??, M??, M??
R9	M??
R10	M??, M??, M??
R11	M??, M??, M??, M??

Table 3: Trace Between Requirements and Modules

AC	Modules
AC??	M13
AC??	M??
AC??	M??
AC??	M??
AC??	M??
AC??	M??
AC??	M??
AC??	M??
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AC??	M??

Table 4: Trace Between Anticipated Changes and Modules

7 Use Hierarchy Between Modules

In this section, the uses hierarchy between modules is provided. ? said of two programs A and B that A *uses* B if correct execution of B may be necessary for A to complete the task described in its specification. That is, A *uses* B if there exist situations in which the correct functioning of A depends upon the availability of a correct implementation of B. Figure 1 illustrates the use relation between the modules. It can be seen that the graph is a directed acyclic graph (DAG). Each level of the hierarchy offers a testable and usable subset of the system, and modules in the higher level of the hierarchy are essentially simpler because they use modules from the lower levels.

Figure 1: Use hierarchy among modules