

Konzepte objektorientierter Programmierung

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Chair of Programming Methodology

Exercises 7: Aliasing

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Home-work 1

```
class Exa {  
    /* invariant \type(a) <: A; */  
    Object a;  
  
    /* requires \type(c) <: C; */  
    /* ensures \type(\result) <: B; */  
    Object m(Object c) { ... }  
}
```

Temporary violations of invariant possible!

Home-work 2

```
class Super {  
    B m(C c) { ... }  
}
```

```
class Sub extends Super {  
    E m(F c) { ... }  
}
```

C <: F

E <: B

Home-work 2

- Assume: $F \leq C$, and $B \leq E$

```
Super s = new Sub( ) ;
```

```
C c1 = new C( ) ;
```

```
B b1 = s.m( c1 ) ;
```

Exercise 1

```
class Motor {
    boolean isOK() { /*...*/ }
    boolean isRunning() { /*...*/ }
    void start() { /*...*/ }
    ...
}

class Wheel {
    void deflate() { /*...*/ }
    boolean isOK() { /*...*/ }
    ...
}

class MotorTrouble extends Exception {
    public Motor motor;
    public MotorTrouble( Motor m ) {
        motor = m;
    }
}
```

Exercise 1 – The Invariant

```
public class Car {  
  
    /*@ invariant engine.isRunning() ==>  
        @ ( \forall int i;  
            @      i >= 0 && i < wheels.length;  
            @      wheels[i] != null &&  
            @      wheels[i].isOK() )  
        @* /
```

Problem 1 – Public Fields

```
public class Car {  
    public Motor engine;  
    public Wheel[] wheels;
```

```
Car c = new Car(...);  
c.start();  
// remove a wheel -> breaks invariant  
c.wheels[0] = null;
```

Solution for Problem 1

- Use proper Information Hiding
- Make all fields private or protected

Problem 2 – Capturing

```
public class Car {  
    public Car( Motor m, Wheel[] w ) {  
        engine = m;  
        wheels = w;  
    }  
}
```

```
Motor m = new Motor();  
Car c = new Car(m, w);  
c.start();  
// stop the motor, car still thinks it runs  
m.stop();
```

Solution for Problem 2 – Capturing

- Never directly store parameters as internal state
- Clone the given objects
- For arrays you need a deep copy, otherwise the array elements might still be aliased

Problem 3 – Leaking through Return Value

```
public Motor getMotor() {  
    return engine; }  
  
public Wheel[] getWheels() {  
    return wheels; }
```

```
Car c = new Car(m, w);  
c.start();  
// change wheel while driving  
c.getWheels()[0] = new Wheel();
```

Solution for Problem 3 – Leaking

- Never return a reference to the internal state to the outside
- Always clone the objects
- Again for arrays you need a deep copy

Problem 4 – Leaking through Exception

```
public void start() throws MotorTrouble {  
    if( engine == null || !engine.isOK() ) {  
        throw new MotorTrouble( engine );  
    } else { engine.start(); }  
}
```

```
try { ... }  
catch( MotorTrouble mt ) {  
    mt.motor.reset();  
}
```

Solution for Problem 4 – Exceptions

- Exceptions can give access to internal state
- Examine what information you really want to share
- Maybe only pass a String with this information

Invariants for Java (Simple Solution)

- Assumption: The invariants of object X may only refer to **private attributes** of X

- For each invariant, we have to show
 - That all exported methods **and constructors of class T** preserve the invariants **of all objects of T and T's subclasses**
 - That all constructors **in addition** establish the invariants of the new object

Invariants can refer to all attributes

```
public class Super {  
  
    private int f;  
  
}
```

```
public class Sub extends Super {  
  
    /*@ invariant f > 0; @*/  
  
}
```


Exercise 2.a: Invariants for Java (Extended Solution)

- Assumption: The invariants of object X may refer to **private and default attributes** of X
- For each invariant, we have to show
 - That all exported methods **and constructors of class T** preserve the invariants **of all objects of all classes in T's package and all subclasses of classes in T's package**
 - That all constructors **in addition** establish the invariants of the new object

Exercise 2.b: Invariants of T objects

```
public class T {  
    /* default */ int f;  
  
    /*@ invariant f > 0; @*/  
  
    void violate() { f = -10; }  
}
```

Exercise 2.b: Invariants of objects in T's package

```
public class A {  
    /* default */ int f;  
  
    /*@ invariant f > 0; @*/  
}
```

```
public class T {  
    private A myA;  
  
    void violate() { myA.f = -10; }  
}
```

Exercise 2.b:

Invariants of objects of T's subclasses

```
public class T {  
    /* default */ int f;  
  
    void violate() { f = -10; }  
}
```

```
public class SubT extends T {  
  
    /*@ invariant f > 0; @*/  
  
}
```

Exercise 2.b:

Subclasses of all classes in T's package

```
public class A {  
    /* default */ int f; }  
  
public class SubA extends A  
    /*@ invariant f > 0; @*/ }
```

```
public class T {  
    private A myA;  
  
    void violate() { myA.f = -10; }  
}
```

Exercise 3.a

B should provide at least as much access as A

```
class A {  
    public invariant f > 0;  
    private int f;  
}  
  
class B extends A{  
    ...  
    // invariant f > 0 must holds  
    // B can not access f  
}
```

Exercise 3.b

A should provide at least as much access as B

```
class A {  
    private invariant f > 0;  
    public int f;  
}  
  
class B extends A{  
    ...  
    // B can change f  
    // invariant f > 0 can not be checked  
}
```