

CSE 331 SECTION 6: MIDTERM REVIEW

Reasoning about Code

1. Using backwards reasoning, find the weakest precondition for each sequence of statements and postcondition below. Insert appropriate assertions in each blank line. You should simplify your answers if possible.

A.

```
{ { _____ } }  
z = x + y;  
{ { _____ } }  
y = z - 3;  
{ { x > y } }
```

B.

```
{ { _____ } }  
p = a + b;  
{ { _____ } }  
q = a - b;  
{ { p + q = 42 } }
```

2. Given two strings a and b where $a.length > 0$ and $b.length > 0$ that are only comprised of alphabetic characters $a-z$, fill in the implementations for the method `arePermutations` which returns true if a and b are permutations of each other and false otherwise. You do not need to turn in a complete proof of correctness, but you should complete one to ensure your code is correct.

Implementation 1:

```
public boolean arePermutations(String a, String b) {
```

```
    {inv: sortedA = sorted(a[0] ... a[k-1]) && sortedB = sorted(b[0] ... b[k-1]) && a.length == b.length}  
    while ( _____ ) {
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

Implementation 2:

```
public boolean arePermutations(String a, String b) {
```

```
    {inv: counts[0] = # of a's in a[0], ..., a[i-1], ..., counts[25] = # of z's in a[0], ..., a[i-1] && a.length == b.length}
    while (                ) {
```

```
    }
```

```
    {inv: counts[0] >= 0, ..., counts[25] >= 0 && a.length == b.length}
    while (                ) {
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

Testing

3. For the previous implementations of `arePermutations`, write two test cases where the inputs result in expected/actual behavior that is fundamentally different from each other. Write a brief explanation convincing someone else why your test cases test different behavior.

Input: a = _____ and b = _____

Returns:

Explanation:

Input: a = _____ and b = _____

Returns:

Explanation:

4. Suppose we have a class `IntPoly` (similar to `RatPoly` in hw4). We would like to add a method to this class that evaluates the `IntPoly` at a particular value x . In other words, given a value x , the method `valueAt(x)` should return $a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$, where a_0 through a_n are the coefficients of this `IntPoly`. Suppose you have developed the following implementation of this method. Prove that your implementation is correct by filling in the reasoning.

```
/** Return the value of this IntPoly at point x */
public int valueAt(int x) {
    int val = a[0];
    int xk = 1;
```

```

int k = 0;
int n = a.length-1; // degree of this, n >=0
{{ Inv: xk = x^k && val = a[0] + a[1]*x + ... + a[k]*x^k }}
while (k != n) {
    {{ _____ }}
    xk = xk * x;
    {{ _____ }}
    val = val + a[k+1]*xk;
    {{ _____ }}
    k = k + 1;
    {{ _____ }}
}
{{ _____ }}
return val;
}

```

Specifications

5. Suppose we have a `BankAccount` class with instance variable `balance`. Consider the following three specifications:
- `@effects` decreases balance by amount
 - `@requires` amount ≥ 0 and amount \leq balance
`@effects` decreases balance by amount
 - `@throws` `InsufficientFundsException`
if `balance < amount`
`@effects` decreases balance by amount

Which specifications do each of these implementations meet? Write A, B, and/or C for each implementation.

Example:

```

void withdraw(int amount) {
    balance -= amount;
}

```

Specifications: A, B

- I.

```
void withdraw(int amount) {
    if (balance >= amount) balance -= amount;
}
```

Specifications: _____

- II.

```
void withdraw(int amount) {
    if (amount < 0) throw new IllegalArgumentException();
    balance -= amount;
}
```

Specifications: _____

- III.

```
void withdraw(int amount) throws InsufficientFundsException {
    if (balance < amount) throw new InsufficientFundsException();
    balance -= amount;
}
```

Specifications: _____

6. Fill out the specification for following add method:

```
/**
 * Return a new IntPoly that is the sum of this and other
 *
 * @requires _____
 *
 * @modifies _____
 *
 * @effects _____
 *
 * @return _____
 *
 * @throws _____
 */
public IntPoly add(IntPoly other)
```

Defensive Programming

One of your colleagues is worried that the implementation below creates a potential representation exposure problem. Another colleague says there's no problem since an IntPoly is immutable.

```
public class IntPoly {
    int a[];
    // AF(this) = a has n+1 entries, and for each entry,
    // a[i] = coefficient a_i of the polynomial.

    // Return the coefficients of this IntPoly
    public int[] getCoeffs() {
        return a;
    }
}
```

7. Explain how representation exposure would be a problem here and change the implementation of `getCoeffs` to fix the problem, but still return the coefficients of the IntPoly to the client. You may give a description of the changes instead of writing Java code.

Object Equality

Suppose we are defining a class `StockItem` to represent items stocked by an online grocery store. Here is the start of the class definition, including the class name and instance variables:

```
public class StockItem {
    String name;
    String size;
    String description;
    int quantity;

    /* Construct a new StockItem */
    public StockItem(...);
}
```

A summer intern was asked to implement an equals function for this class that treats two `StockItem` objects as equal if their name and size fields match. Here's the result:

```
/** return true if the name and size fields match */
public boolean equals(StockItem other) {
    return name.equals(other.name) && size.equals(other.size);
}
```

8. This equals method seems to work sometimes but not always. Give an example showing a situation when it fails. (**Hint:** Instantiate two objects that should be equal but are not.)