

AP-Style FR 4.1 – Code Lab

Consider the following incomplete declaration of a `Code` class which represents a code consisting of letters and digits. The actual code is stored internally as a `String` variable, `myCode`. Portions of the code may be hidden by changing the corresponding letter or digit to an `X`. Hidden portions may later be recovered.

```
public class Code
{
    private String myCode;
    // additional instance variables

    public Code (String code)
    {
        myCode = code;
        // possibly additional statements
    }

    public String getCode()
    {
        return myCode;
    }

    // precondition: p1 >= 0, p1 < p2, p2 <= myCode.length()
    // Replace the characters in the code starting at
    // position p1 until position p2-1 inclusive with X

    public void hide (int p1, int p2)
    {
        // to be implemented
    }

    // precondition: p1 >= 0, p1 < p2, p2 <= myCode.length()
    // Restores to their original values the characters in the code starting at
    // position p1 until position p2-1 inclusive

    public void recover (int p1, int p2)
    {
        // to be implemented
    }
}
```

The methods `hide` and `recover` work as described in the comments. Note that if `hide` is called for a portion of code that is already hidden, it has no effect and if `recover` is called for a portion of the code that is already “clear”, it has no effect.

Suppose the following code is created:

```
Code code = new Code ("ABCdef123ghi456jklMNO");
```

The following sequence of method calls results in the instance variable myCode having the indicated values.

	Value of myCode
code.hide(2,7);	ABXXXXX234ghi456jklMNO
code.recover(5,9);	ABXXXf1234ghi456jklMNO
code.hide(3,14);	ABXXXXXXXXXXXXX56jklMNO
code.hide(6,10);	ABXXXXXXXXXXXXX56jklMNO
code.recover(5,6);	ABXXXfXXXXXXXXX56jklMNO
code.recover(0,14);	ABCdef1234ghi456jklMNO