

# Construction and Verification of Software

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### **Lecture 4 - Abstract State vs Representation State**

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# **Abstract Data Types**

# Set ADT

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```
class ASet {  
  // an abstract Set of numbers  
  
  method new(sz:int) {}  
  // initializes aset ( e.g., Java constructor )  
  
  method add(v:int) {}  
  // adds v to aset if space available )  
  
  function size() : int  
  // returns number of elems in aset  
  
  function contains(v:int) : bool  
  // check if v belongs to set  
  
  function maxsize() : int  
  // returns max number of elems allowed in aset  
  
}
```

# Set ADT

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- Abstract State
  - a set of positive integers aset

# Set ADT

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- Representation type
  - an array of integers **store** with sufficient large size
  - an integer nelems counting the elements in **store**

# Set ADT

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- Representation type
  - an array of distinct integers **store**
  - an integer **nelems** counting the elements in **store**

- Representation invariant

$(\text{store} \neq \text{null}) \ \&\&$

$(0 \leq \text{nelems} \leq \text{store.length}) \ \&\&$

$\text{forall } k :: (0 \leq k < \text{nelements}) \implies \text{forall } j :: (k < j < \text{nelements}) \implies \text{store}[k] \neq \text{store}[j]$

# Set ADT

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- Representation type
  - an array of **distinct** integers **store**
  - an integer **nelems** counting the elements in **store**

- Representation invariant

`(store != null) &&`

`(0 <= nelems <= store.length) &&`

`forall k :: (0<=k<nelements) ==> forall j::(k<j<nelements) ==> b[k] != b[j]`

# Set ADT

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- Representation type
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- Abstraction mapping

–  $\langle \text{nelems}=n, \text{store}=[v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{\text{store.Length}-1}] \rangle \rightarrow \{v_0, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$

– more later ....



# Set ADT

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```
class ASet {  
  
    var a:array<int>;  
    var size:int;  
  
    constructor(SIZE:int)  
        requires SIZE > 0;  
        ensures RepInv()  
    {  
        a := new int[SIZE];  
        size := 0;  
    }  
  
    ...  
}
```

# Set ADT

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```
class ASet {  
  
    var a:array<int>;  
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    constructor(SIZE:int)  
        requires SIZE > 0;  
        ensures RepInv()  
    {  
        a := new int[SIZE];  
        size := 0;  
    }  
  
    function RepInv():bool  
        reads this,a;  
    {  
        ...  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

# Set ADT

---

```
class ASet {  
  
    var a:array<int>;  
    var size:int;  
  
    ...  
  
    function RepInv():bool  
        reads this,a;  
    {  
        a!=null &&  
        0 < a.Length &&  
        0 <= size <= a.Length &&  
        unique(a,0, size)  
    }  
  
    ...  
}
```

# Set ADT

---

```
class ASet {  
  
    var a:array<int>;  
    var size:int;  
  
    ...  
    function unique(b:array<int>, l:int, h:int):bool  
    reads b;  
    requires b != null && 0<=l <= h <= b.Length ;  
    {  
        forall k::(l<=k<h) ==> forall j::(k<j<h) ==> b[k] != b[j]  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

# Set ADT

---

```
class ASet {  
  
    var a:array<int>;  
    var size:int;  
  
    function count():int  
    reads this,a;  
    requires RepInv();  
    { size }  
  
    function maxsize():int  
    reads this,a;  
    requires RepInv();  
    { a.Length }  
  
    method add(x:int)  
    modifies this,a;  
    requires RepInv() && x >= 0 && count() < maxsize();  
    ensures RepInv()  
    {  
        var f:int := find(x);  
        if (f < 0) {  
            a[size] := x;  
            size := size + 1;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

...

# Set ADT

---

```
class ASet {  
  
    var a:array<int>;  
    var size:int;  
  
    ...  
    method find(x:int) returns (r:int)  
        requires RepInv();  
        ensures -1 <= r < size;  
        ensures r < 0 ==> forall j::(0<=j<size) ==> x != a[j];  
        ensures r >=0 ==> a[r] == x;  
        {  
            var i:int := 0;  
            while (i<size)  
                decreases size-i  
                invariant 0<=i<=size;  
                invariant forall j::(0<=j<i) ==> x != a[j];  
                {  
                    if (a[i]==x) { return i; }  
                    i := i + 1;  
                }  
            return -1;  
        }  
}
```

# Set ADT

---

```
class ASet {  
  
    var a:array<int>;  
    var size:int;  
  
    ...  
    method contains(v:int) returns (f:bool)  
        requires RepInv();  
        ensures  f <==> exists j::(0<=j<size) && v == a[j];  
        ensures RepInv();  
    {  
        var p:int := find(v);  
        f := (p >= 0);  
    }  
}
```

# Soundness and Abstraction Map

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- We have learned how to express the representation invariant and make sure that no unsound states are ever reached
- We have informally argued that the representation state in every case represents the right abstract state, but how to make sure?
- We next see how the correspondence between the representation state and the abstract state can be explicitly expressed in Dafny using ghost variables, specification operations, and abstraction map soundness check.



Soundness between  
Abstract State &  
Representation state

# Technical ingredients in ADT design

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- The ***abstract state***
  - defines how client code sees the object
- The ***representation type***
  - chosen by the programmer to implement the ADT internals. The programmer is free to choose the implementation strategy (data-structures, algorithms). This is done at construction time.
- The ***concrete state***
  - in general, not all representation states are legal concrete states
  - a concrete state is a representation state that really represents some well-defined abstract state

# Technical ingredients in ADT design

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- The ***representation invariant***
  - the representation invariant is a condition that restricts the representation type to the set of (safe) concrete states
  - if the ADT representation falls outside the rep invariant, something is wrong (inconsistent representation state).
- The ***abstraction function***
  - maps every concrete state into some abstract state
- The ***operation pre- post- conditions***
  - expressed for the representation type
  - also expressed for the abstract type (for client code)

# Soundness and Abstraction Map

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- A so-called ghost variable is only used in the spec and does not actually use memory space
- Usages of ghost variables only occur in spec operations (are never executed at runtime)

```
class ASet {  
    // Abstract state  
    ghost var s:set<int>;  
  
    // Representation state  
    var a:array<int>;  
    var size:int;
```

- We therefore represent the abstract state with a ***ghost variable***.

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```
class ASet
  // Ab
  ghost
```

```
// Re
var a
var s
```

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## Sets

### 1. [tutorials](#)

Sets of various types form one of the core tools of verification for Dafny. Sets represent an orderless collection of elements, without repetition. Like sequences, sets are immutable value types. This allows them to be used easily in annotations, without involving the heap, as a set cannot be modified once it has been created. A set has the type:

```
set<int>
```

for a set of integers, for example. In general, sets can be of almost any type, including objects. Concrete sets can be specified by using display notation:

```
var s1 := {}; // the empty set
var s2 := {1, 2, 3}; // set contains exactly 1, 2, and 3
assert s2 == {1,1,2,3,3,3,3}; // same as before
var s3, s4 := {1,2}, {1,4};
```

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The set formed by the display is the expected set, containing iust the elements

*t variable.*

# Soundness and Abstraction Map

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- We next define a boolean function `Sound()` that specifies the precise relationship the abstract and concrete state:

```
// The mapping function between abstract and representation state
function Sound():bool
    reads this, a
    requires RepInv();
{
    forall x::(x in s) <==> exists p::(0<=p<size) && (a[p] == x)
}
```

- We then express in all operations how the abstract state changes, and how it is kept well related with a proper representation state
- As a benefit, we may then also express pre and post conditions in terms of the abstract state !

# Set ADT (with abstract state)

---

```
class ASet {
  // Abstract state
  ghost var s:set<int>;
  // Representation state
  var a:array<int>;
  var size:int;

  // The mapping function between abstract and representation state
  function Sound():bool
    reads this,a
    requires RepInv();
  { forall x::(x in s) ==> exists p::(0<=p<size) && (a[p] == x) }

  function RepInv():bool
    reads this,a
  { 0 < a.Length && 0 <= size <= a.Length && unique(a,0,size) }

  function AbsInv():bool
    reads this,a
  { RepInv() && Sound() }

  // Spec functions
  function unique(b:array<int>, l:int, h:int):bool
    reads b;
    requires 0 <= l <= h <= b.Length ;
  { forall k::(l<=k<h) ==> forall j::(k<j<h) ==> b[k] != b[j] }
```

# Set ADT (with abstract state)

---

```
class ASet {
  // Abstract state
  ghost var s:set<int>;

  // Representation state
  var a:array<int>;
  var size:int;
...
  // Implementation: Constructor and Methods

  constructor(SIZE:int)
    requires SIZE > 0;
    ensures AbsInv() && s == {};
  {
    // Init of Representation state
    a := new int[SIZE];
    size := 0;
    // Init of Abstract state
    s := {};
  }
...
}
```



# Set ADT (with abstract state)

---

```
class ASet {
  // Abstract state
  ghost var s:set<int>;

  // Representation state
  var a:array<int>;
  var size:int;

  ...

  method find(x:int) returns (r:int)
    requires AbsInv()
    ensures AbsInv()
    ensures -1 <= r < size;
    ensures r < 0 ==> forall j::(0<=j<size) ==> x != a[j];
    ensures r >= 0 ==> a[r] == x;
  {
    var i:int := 0;
    while (i<size)
      decreases size-i
      invariant 0 <= i <= size;
      invariant forall j::(0<=j<i) ==> x != a[j];
    {
      if (a[i]==x) { return i; }
      i := i + 1;
    }
    return -1;
  }

  ...
}
```

# Set ADT (with abstract state)

---

```
class ASet {
  // Abstract state
  ghost var s:set<int>;

  // Representation state
  var a:array<int>;
  var size:int;
...
method add(x:int)
  modifies a, this
  requires AbsInv()
  requires count() < maxsize()
  ensures AbsInv() && s == old(s) + {x}
{
  var i := find(x);
  if (i < 0) {
    a[size] := x;
    s := s + { x };
    size := size + 1;
    assert a[size-1] == x;
    assert forall i :: (0<=i<size-1) ==> (a[i] == old(a[i]));
    assert forall x::(x in s) <==> exists p::(0<=p<size) && (a[p] == x);
  }
}
...
```

# Loop Invariants

## Recap & Sorting

# ADT Specifications

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- Method contracts, expressed as assertions

```
method P(... parameters ...)  
  requires pre-condition-assertion  
  ensures post-condition-assertion  
  modifies global-state-changed  
  {  
    ... method code  
  }
```

- Abstract State Invariants (visible by the ADT clients)
- Representation State Invariants (the implementation type)
- Abstract Mapping between the two (soundness of ADT)

# ADT Specifications

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- Method contracts, expressed as assertions

```
class PSet {  
    ...  
    method add(x:int)  
        modifies this,a;  
        requires RepInv() && count() < maxsize();  
        ensures RepInv()  
    { ... }  
    ...  
}
```

- Representation State Invariants (the implementation type)
- Abstract State Invariants (visible by the ADT clients)
- Abstract Mapping between the two (soundness of ADT)

# ADT Specifications

---

- Method contracts, expressed as assertions
- Representation State Invariants (the implementation type)

```
var a:array<int>;
```

```
var size:int;
```

```
function RepInv():bool
```

```
reads this,a
```

```
{
```

```
    0 < a.Length &&
```

```
    0 <= size <= a.Length &&
```

```
    unique(a,0,size) &&
```

```
    forall p :: (0 <= p < size) ==> 0 <= a[p]
```

```
}
```

- Abstract State Invariants (visible by the ADT clients)
- Abstract Mapping between the two (soundness of ADT)

# ADT Specifications

---

- Method contracts, expressed as assertions
- Representation State Invariants (the implementation type)
- Abstract State Invariants (visible by the ADT clients)

```
var s:set<int>;
```

```
function AbsInv():bool  
  reads this,a  
{ forall x :: (x in s ) ==> 0 <= x }
```

```
method add(x:int)  
  modifies a, this  
  requires AbsInv() && count() < maxsize() && 0 <= x  
  ensures AbsInv() && s == old(s) + {x}  
{ ...
```

- Abstract Mapping between the two state representations (soundness of ADT specification)

# ADT Specifications

---

- Method contracts, expressed as assertions
- Representation State Invariants (the implementation type)
- Abstract State Invariants (visible by the ADT clients)
- Abstract Mapping between the two (soundness of ADT)

```
function Sound():bool
  reads this,a
  requires RepInv();
{
  forall x::(x in s) <==> exists p::(0<=p<size) && (a[p] == x)
}
```

```
function AbsInv():bool
  reads this,a
{
  forall x :: (x in s ) ==> 0 <= x
  && RepInv() && Sound()
}
```



# Loop Invariants

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- Loop invariant approximate state assertions before the loop, between iterations, and in the end of the loop.

```
function maxArray(a:array<int>,n:int,m:int):bool
  requires 0 < n <= a.Length
  reads a
  { forall k : int :: 0 <= k < n ==> a[k] <= m }

method Max(a:array<int>) returns (m:int)
  requires 0 < a.Length
  ensures maxArray(a,a.Length,m)
  {
    m := a[0];
    var i := 1;
    while i < a.Length
      invariant 1 <= i <= a.Length
      invariant maxArray(a,i,m)
      {
        if m < a[i]
        { m := a[i]; }
        i := i + 1;
      }
  }
```

# Example: BinarySearch

---

```
function sorted(a:array<char>, n:int):bool
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length
  reads a
{  forall i, j:: (0 <= i < j < n) ==> a[i] <= a[j] }
```

# Example: BinarySearch

---

```
function sorted(a:array<char>, n:int):bool
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length
  reads a
{  forall i, j:: (0 <= i < j < n) ==> a[i] <= a[j]  }

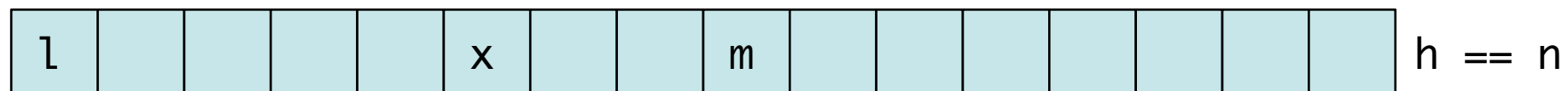
method BSearch(a:array<char>, n:int, value:char) returns (pos:int)
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length && sorted(a, n)
  ensures ...
  ensures ...
{

}
```

# Example: BinarySearch

```
function sorted(a:array<char>, n:int):bool
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length
  reads a
{ forall i, j :: (0 <= i < j < n) ==> a[i] <= a[j] }

method BSearch(a:array<char>, n:int, value:char) returns (pos:int)
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length && sorted(a, n)
  ensures 0 <= pos ==> pos < n && a[pos] == value
  ensures pos < 0 ==> forall i :: (0 <= i < n) ==> a[i] != value
{
```



}

# Example: BinarySearch

---

```
function sorted(a:array<char>, n:int):bool
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length
  reads a
{ forall i, j:: (0 <= i < j < n) ==> a[i] <= a[j] }

method BSearch(a:array<char>, n:int, value:char) returns (pos:int)
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length && sorted(a, n)
  ensures 0 <= pos ==> pos < n && a[pos] == value
  ensures pos < 0 ==> forall i :: (0<= i < n) ==> a[i] != value
{
  var low, high := 0, n;
  while low < high
    decreases high - low
    invariant ???
    invariant ???
    invariant ???
  {
    var mid := (low + high) / 2;
    if a[mid] < value      { low := mid + 1; }
    else if value < a[mid] { high := mid; }
    else /* value == a[mid] */ { return mid; }
  }
  return -1;
}
```

# Example: BinarySearch

```
function sorted(a:array<char>, n:int):bool
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length
  reads a
{ forall i, j:: (0 <= i < j < n) ==> a[i] <= a[j] }

method BSearch(a:array<char>, n:int, value:char) returns (pos:int)
  requires 0 <= n <= a.Length && sorted(a, n)
  ensures 0 <= pos ==> pos < n && a[pos] == value
  ensures pos < 0 ==> forall i :: (0 <= i < n) ==> a[i] != value
{
  var low, high := 0, n;
  while low < high
    decreases high - low
    invariant 0 <= low <= high <= n
    invariant forall i :: 0 <= i < n && i < low ==> a[i] != value
    invariant forall i :: 0 <= i < n && high <= i ==> a[i] != value
  {
    var mid := (low + high) / 2;
    if a[mid] < value { low := mid + 1; }
    else if value < a[mid] { high := mid; }
    else /* value == a[mid] */ { return mid; }
  }
  return -1;
}
```