
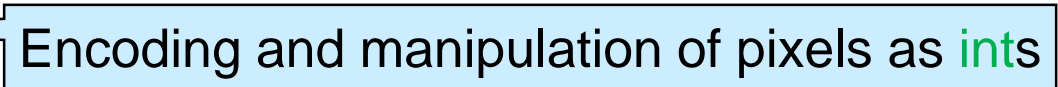
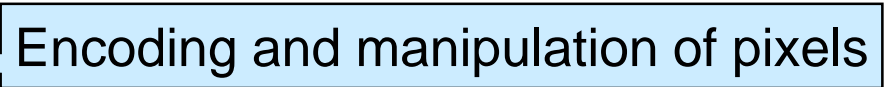
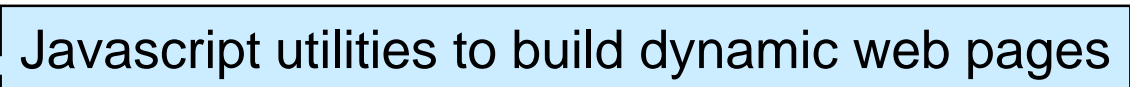


# Libraries

# Reusing Code

- All but the simplest programs reuse code already written
  - system code
    - `#use <conio>` 
  - simple code you wrote in the past
    - `pixel-int.c0` 
  - complex code somebody else wrote
    - `pixel.o0` 
    - `jquery.js` 
- Why?
  - Writing correct code is hard and time-consuming!
- These are **libraries**
  - They separate out code used across many applications from the applications themselves

# Abstraction

- Libraries promote **abstraction**
  - Focus on **what** the library code does
    - e.g., print an integer to terminal using `printint`
  - not on **how** it does it
    - the many minute steps to turn a integer into terminal output
- Abstraction has lots of **benefits**
  - Hide inessential details
    - writing code is hard enough without also having to know how `printint` works
  - Make code more manageable
    - if we find a bug in `printint`, there is a single place where to fix it
  - Allow for transparent improvements
    - if we find a better way of printing, update the library not the applications

*Computer science is all about abstraction!*

# What's a Library Anyway?

## 1. The interface

- Lists the functionalities the library exports and how to use them

`void printint(int i);`

Everything we need to use this functionality:

- name of the function
- number and type of arguments
- output type
- contracts

## 2. The implementation

- The code that implements them

`void printint(int i) {`

`...`

Complex low-level code

`}`

## 3. The documentation

- The explanation of what they do

*"print i to standard output"*

Human readable,  
often in a web page or thick manual

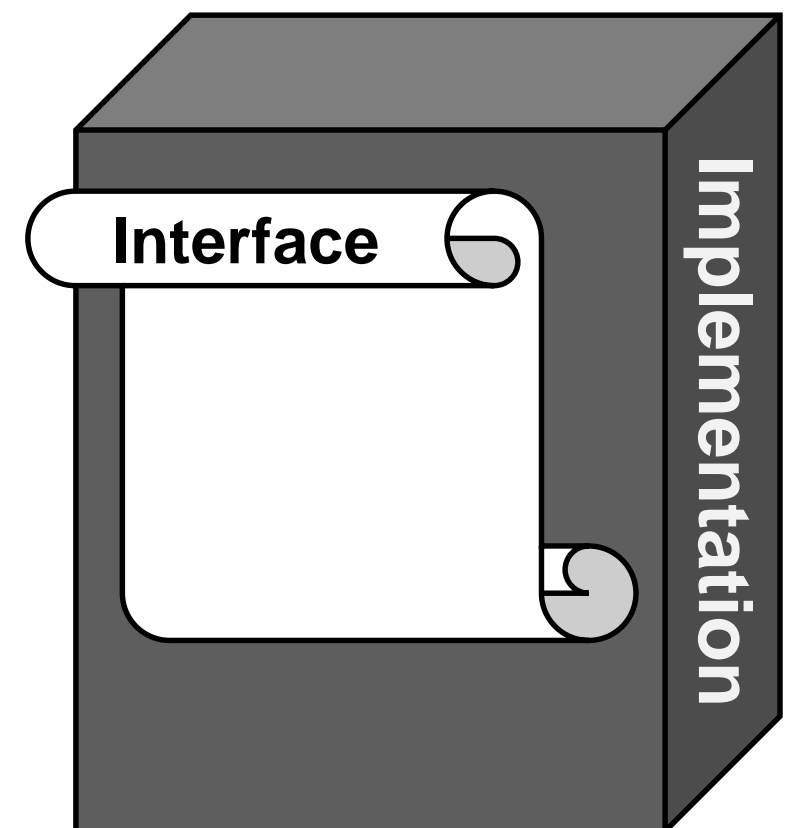
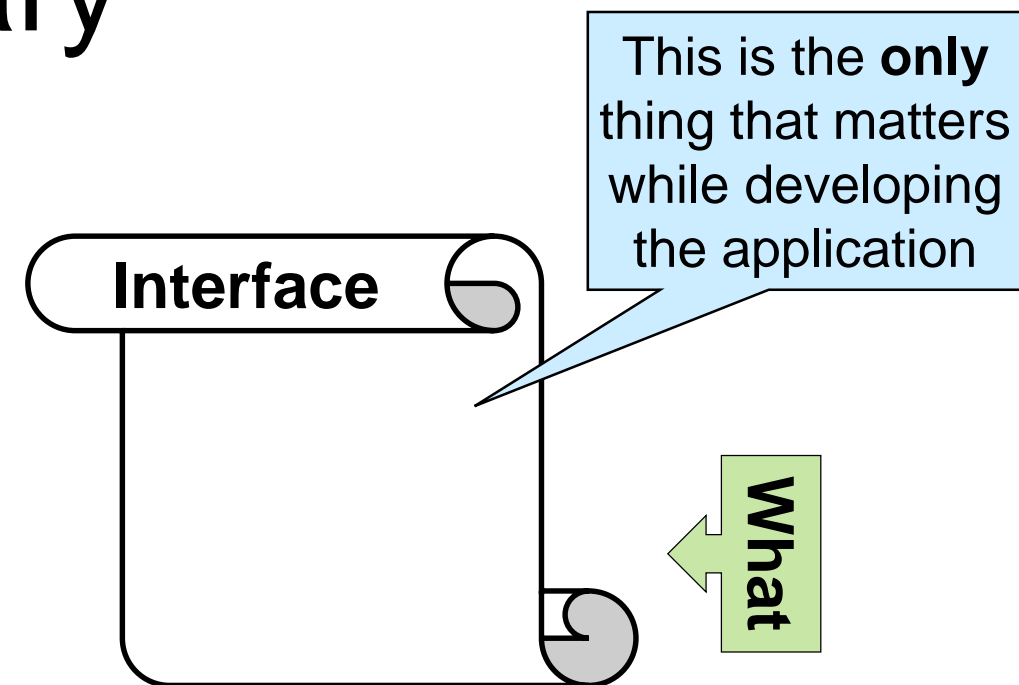
What

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What

# Using a Library

- When **writing** application code, we only use the functionalities listed in the interface
  - *No reliance on implementation*
- When **compiling** the application, we involve an implementation of the library
  - Needed for the application to run
- Implementation is a **black box**



# Types of Libraries

- System libraries

- part of the programming language

#use <conio>

- No need to load any file to use them

```
Linux Terminal
# cc0 -d my-math-application.c0
```

- User-defined libraries

- written by users or downloaded from the Internet

**pixels.c0** ————— or **pixels.o0**

- must be compiled with the application

```
Linux Terminal
# cc0 -d pixels.c0 my-image-application.c0
```

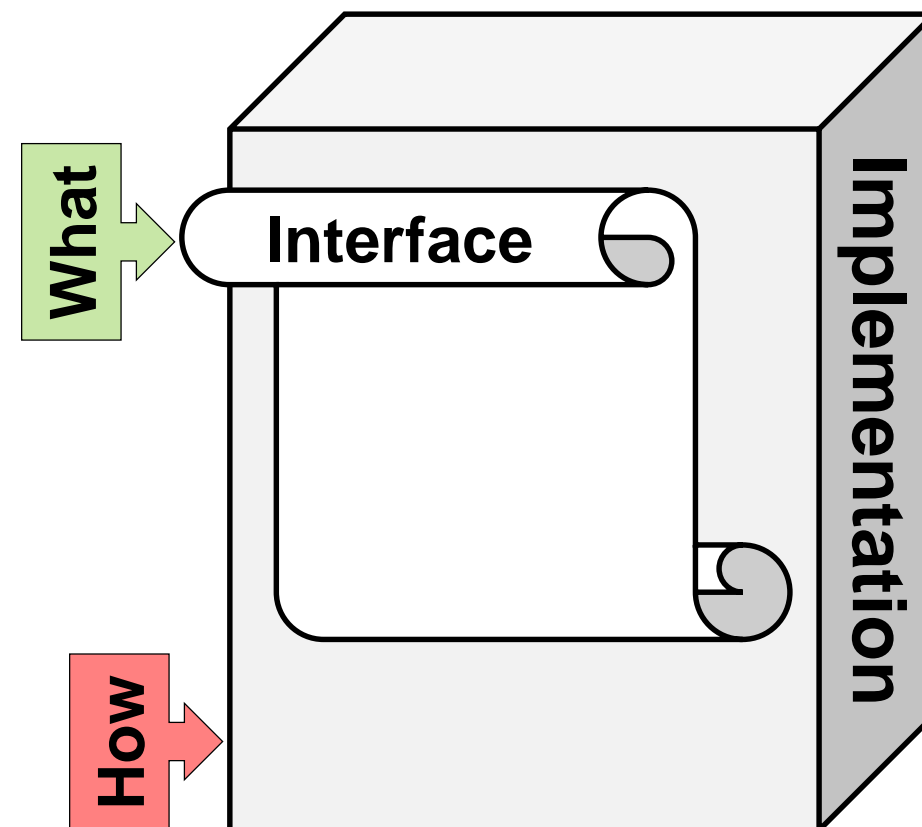
Also called an  
**API**

Application  
Programming  
Interface

# Writing a Library

- When writing a library, we need to
  - decide on the interface
  - implement every functionality exported by the interface
    - Fill the black box
  - write lots of documentation

- In this class, we will be writing some of the system libraries that are native in other languages



# Abstract Data Types

- A library that defines a **new type** and the ways to use it

E.g.,  
*pixels*

- Defines the type `pixel_t` of pixels
  - The **only** way we shall refer to pixel in application
- Defines functions that manipulate pixels

```
int get_red(pixel_t p)
/*@ensures 0 <= \result && \result < 256; @*/;
int get_green(pixel_t p) ...
int get_blue(pixel_t p) ...
pixel_t make_pixel(int red, int green, int blue) ...
```

- The **only** operations we shall use to manipulate pixels
  - Except for functions we write using them

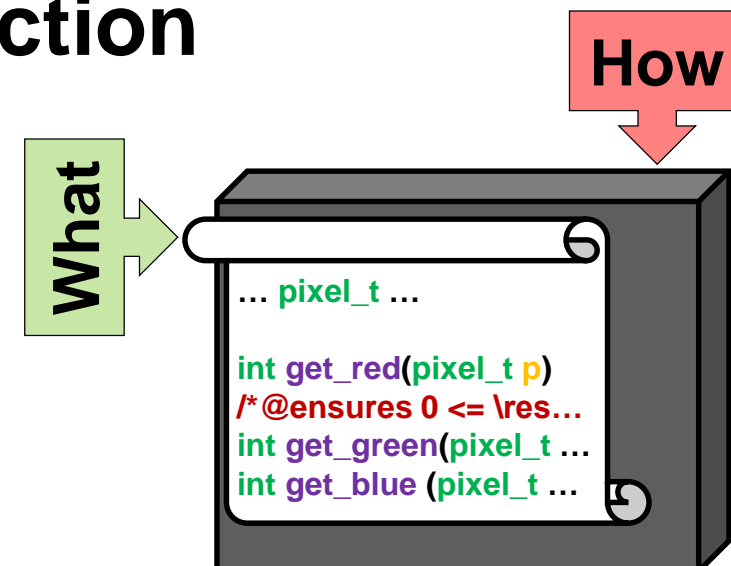
This is the pixel interface

```
... pixel_t ...

int get_red(pixel_t p)
/*@ensures 0 <= \res...
int get_green(pixel_t ...
int get_blue (pixel_t ...
```

- ADT's promote a very strong form of **abstraction**

- If the client only uses the interface, we can use *any correct implementation* and the application will work the same!





# **Self-Sorting Arrays**

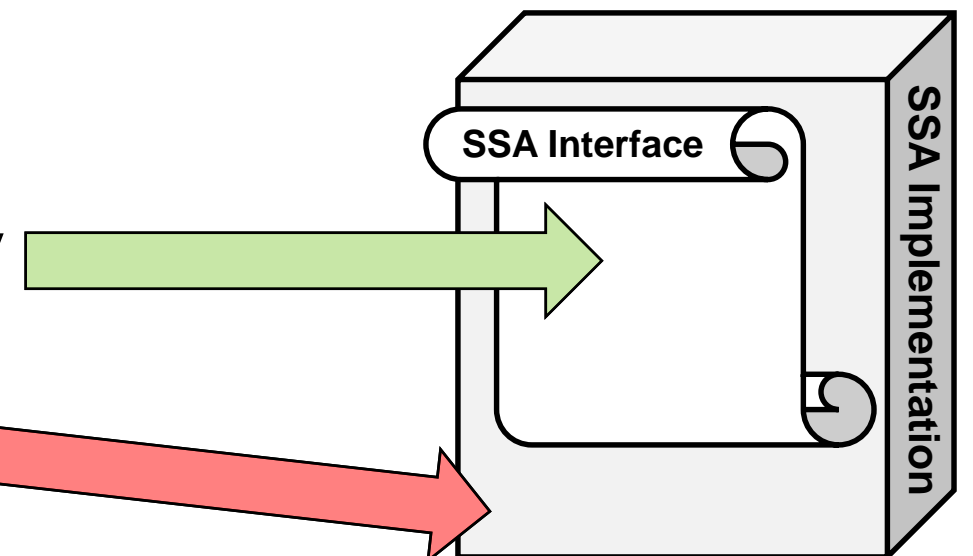
# Writing Libraries

- In this course, we will be writing many libraries
- Case study to gain familiarity
  - and define important concepts

## Self-sorting arrays (SSA)

- a toy data structure that works just like arrays of strings but
  - has a function that reports the length of the SSA
  - guarantees that its elements are sorted

- What we need to do:
  - A. Define the interface of the SSA library
  - B. Implement it



# SSA Interface

# Interface Contents

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef _____ ssa_t;
```

### 1. A **type** for self-sorting arrays

**ssa\_t**

- SSA's are a data structure
- We need a type to refer to them in code
  - define variables that can hold an SSA
  - define functions that manipulate them, ...

**Convention:** types exported by a library end in **\_t**

### ● We do **not** want the client to learn the details of this type

- This type is **abstract** for the client: *just a name*
- We define it as a **pseudo-typedef**

A commented-out **typedef** with underscores

```
// typedef _____ ssa_t;
```

Another convention

- The implementation will contain the actual definition of **ssa\_t**
  - **Concrete** type of SSA's

What

How

```
// typedef _____ ssa_t;  
  
// Operations
```

# Interface Contents

## 2. The **operations** provided by the library to manipulate SSA's

- What should these be?

- SSA's are just fancy arrays
- We will need SSA versions of the standard operations on arrays
  - ❑ create a new array
  - ❑ read a value from an array index
  - ❑ replace the value at an array index
- Plus *a function that returns the length*
  - ❑ not just in contracts, but in regular code

# Interface Contents

## 2. The **operations** provided by the library to manipulate SSA's

- Creating a new SSA

`ssa_t ssa_new(int size); // akin to alloc_array(string, size)`

Newly  
created  
SSA

Number of elements

This is a **function prototype**:  
a function definition without a body

- Reading the value at an index of an SSA

`string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i); // akin to ... A[i] ...`

- Replacing the value at an index of an SSA

`void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x); // akin to A[i] = x`

➤ unlike regular arrays, this may rearrange the contents of A to keep it sorted

- Returning the length of an SSA

`int ssa_len(ssa_t A); // akin to \length(A) but better`

➤ unlike regular array, this can be used anywhere in code

Recall that our SSAs  
contain strings  
(we'll learn later how to generalize)

# Interface Contents

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef _____ ssa_t;  
  
int ssa_len(ssa_t A);  
  
ssa_t ssa_new(int size) ;  
  
string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i);  
  
void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x);
```

### 3. The **contracts** of each operation

- The client needs to be able to write safe code
  - Provide arguments that satisfy the preconditions of each function
  - Use the functions' postconditions to reason about follow-up code
- Reading the value at an index of an SSA
  - Same contracts as native A[i]
    - */\*@requires 0 <= i && i < \length(A); @\*/*
  - So:  
  
`string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i) // akin to ... A[i] ...`  
*/\*@requires 0 <= i && i < \length(A); @\*/ ;*

***Can this be right?***

# Interface Contents

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef _____ ssa_t;  
int ssa_len(ssa_t A);  
  
ssa_t ssa_new(int size) ;  
  
string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i);  
  
void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x);
```

### 3. The **contracts** of each operation

```
string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i) // akin to ... A[i] ...  
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < \length(A); @*/ ;
```

*Can this be right?*

- **\length** is defined only for C0 arrays
  - But SSAs are not C0 arrays
    - ❑ length can be retrieved
    - ❑ elements stay sorted
    - ❑ should be manipulated only with operations in the SSA interface
- We can however use **ssa\_len**

```
string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i) // akin to ... A[i] ...  
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;
```



# Interface Contents

## 3. The **contracts** of each operation

- With `ssa_len`, we can give a meaningful precondition to `ssa_get`
- and to `ssa_set`
- and a postcondition to `ssa_new`

### SSA Interface

```
// typedef ____ssa_t;

int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @ensures \result >= 0; @*/ ;

ssa_t ssa_new(int size)
/* @requires 0 <= size; @*/
/* @ensures ssa_len(\result) == size; @*/ ;

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;

void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x)
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;
```

# Interface Contents

- But what kind of type can `ssa_t` be?

- An array? **✗**
  - No way to get the length of an array in C0
- An `int`, `bool` or `char`? **✗**
  - No way to represent arbitrarily many strings
- A `string`? **✗**
  - Let's not go there ...
- A struct? **✗**
  - Structs cannot be passed as function arguments directly

- Then, `ssa_t` must be a **pointer**

- Update the pseudo-`typedef` to reflect this
- Disallow NULL as a valid `ssa_t`
  - ❑ Every operation that takes an `ssa_t` has a NULL-check as a precondition
  - ❑ Every operation that returns an `ssa_t` has a NULL-check as a postcondition

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef ____* ssa_t;

int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @requires A != NULL; */
/* @ensures \result >= 0; */

ssa_t ssa_new(int size)
/* @requires 0 <= size; */
/* @ensures \result != NULL; */
/* @ensures ssa_len(\result) == size; */

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL; */
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); */

void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x)
/* @requires A != NULL; */
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); */
```

We never use NULL for an empty data structure

# Interface Contents

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef _____ * ssa_t;

int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @ensures \result >= 0;        @*/ ;

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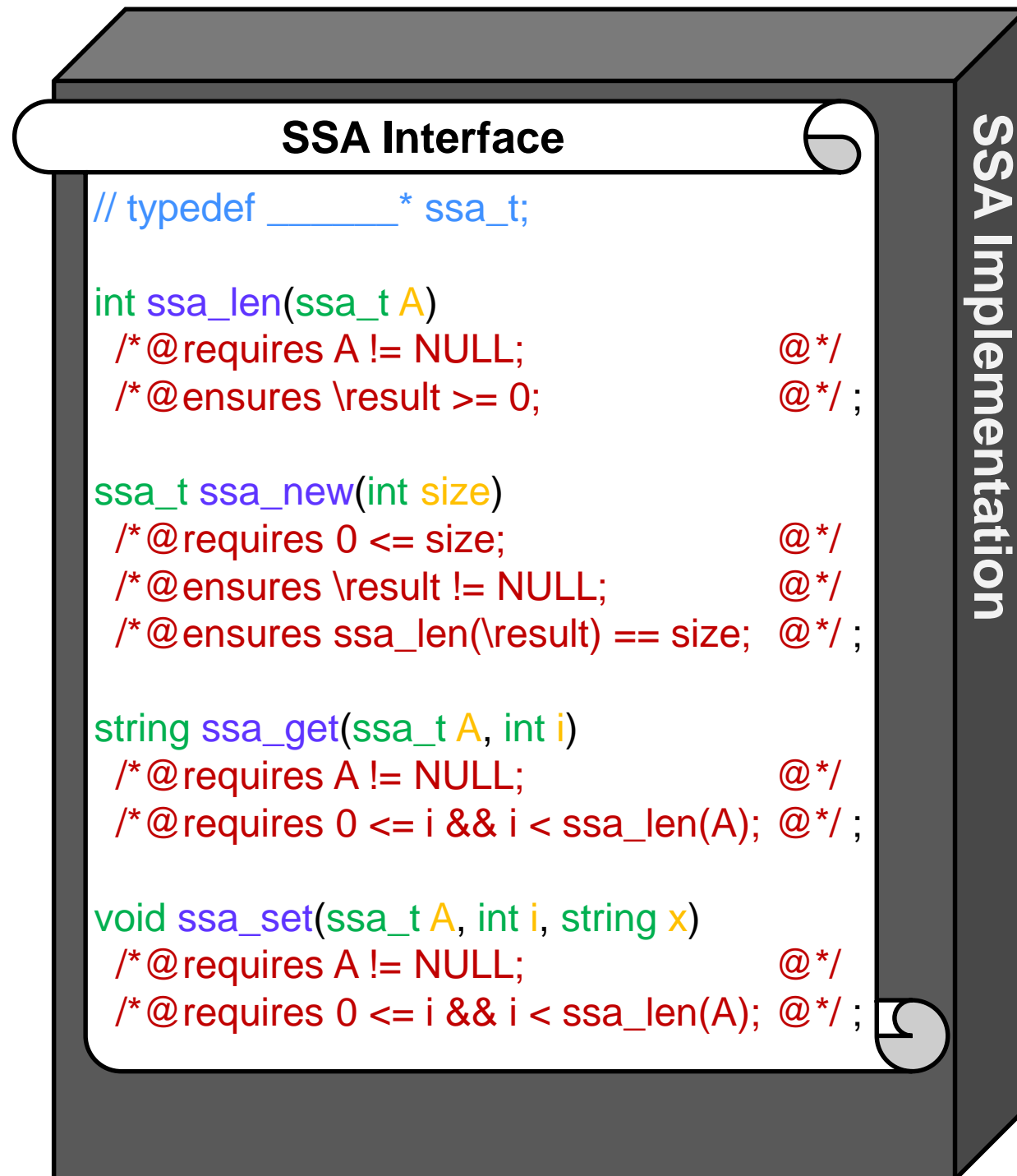
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```

What

# **Client Application**

# Using a library



- The client only knows **what** the library does
  - the library interface
  - the library documentation
- The client does not know **how** it does it
  - treat the implementation as a black box
    - even if its code is available
      - it may change!

# Searching an SSA

- Client code that uses binary search to check if a value is in an SSA

➤ This is OK because SSAs are sorted!

```
bool is_in(string x, ssa_t A, int n)
//@requires A != NULL;
//@requires n == ssa_len(A);
{
    int lo = 0;
    int hi = n;
    while (lo < hi)
    //@loop_invariant 0 <= lo && lo <= hi && hi <= n;
    {
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        //@assert lo <= mid && mid < hi;
        string a = ssa_get(A, mid);
        int cmp = string_compare(a, x);
        if (cmp == 0) return true;
        if (cmp < 0) {
            lo = mid + 1;
        } else { //@assert cmp > 0;
            hi = mid;
        }
    }
    return false;
}
```

Precondition of  
ssa\_len and ssa\_get

- All array operations are replaced with functions from the SSA interface

returns <0 if a “less than” x, 0 if equal, >0 otherwise

- **Safety** is supported by loop invariant and assertion
- For **correctness**, we would need to implement SSA versions of `gt_seg` and `lt_seg`

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef _____ ssa_t;

int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/*@requires A != NULL; @*/
/*@ensures \result >= 0; @*/;

ssa_t ssa_new(int size)
/*@requires 0 <= size; @*/
/*@ensures \result != NULL; @*/
/*@ensures ssa_len(\result) == size; @*/;

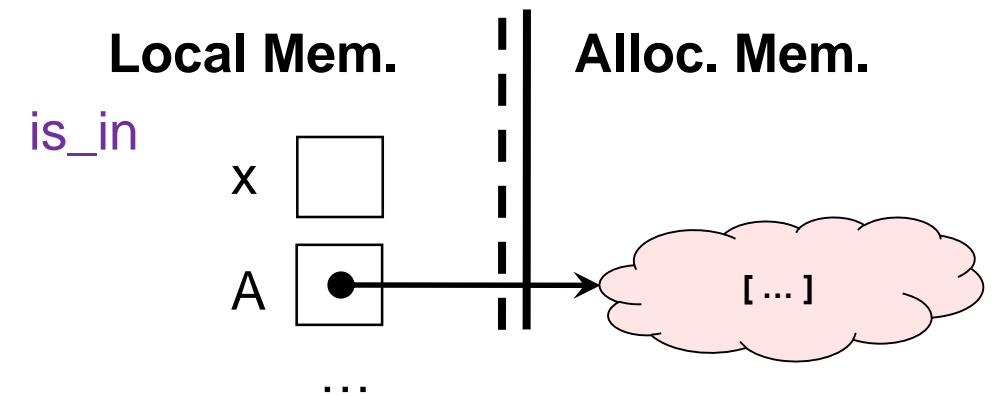
string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL; @*/
/*@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/;

void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x)
/*@requires A != NULL; @*/
/*@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/;
```

# Searching an SSA

- Client view of memory

```
bool is_in(string x, ssa_t A, int n)
//@requires n == ssa_len(A);
{
    int lo = 0;
    int hi = n;
    while (lo < hi)
    //@loop_invariant 0 <= lo && lo <= hi && hi <= n;
    {
        int mid = lo + (hi - lo) / 2;
        //@assert lo <= mid && mid < hi;
        string a = ssa_get(A, mid);
        int cmp = string_compare(a, x);
        if (cmp == 0) return true;
        if (cmp < 0) {
            lo = mid + 1;
        } else { //@assert cmp > 0;
            hi = mid;
        }
    }
    return false;
}
```



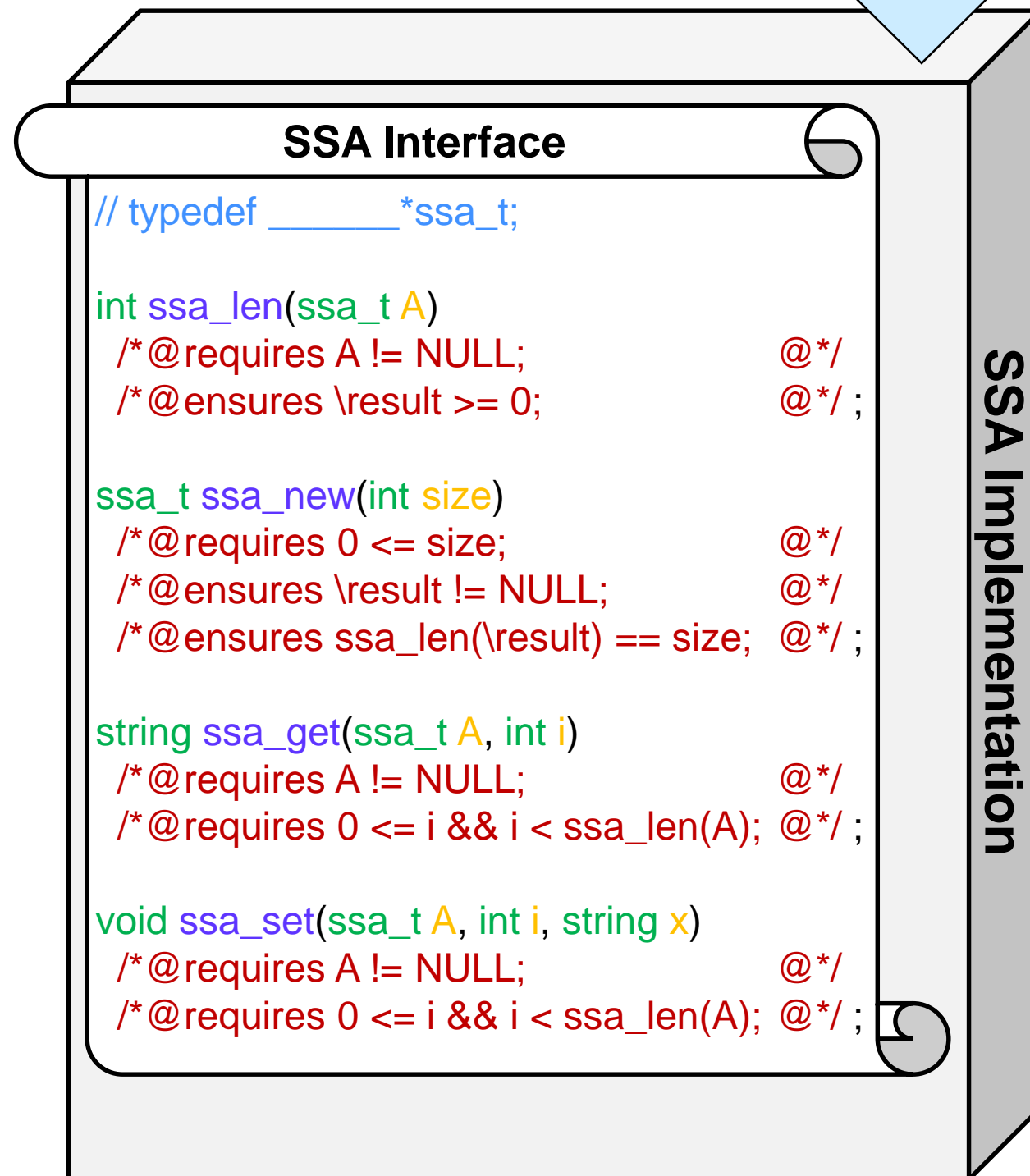
- The client has no knowledge of how A is represented in memory

# SSA Implementation



# Implementing SSAs

Now we've got  
to fill the box



- Define the type `ssa_t`
  - **Concrete** type
- Write code for every function
- Make sure it is safe and correct

How

# Concrete Type

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef _____* ssa_t;  
  
// ...
```

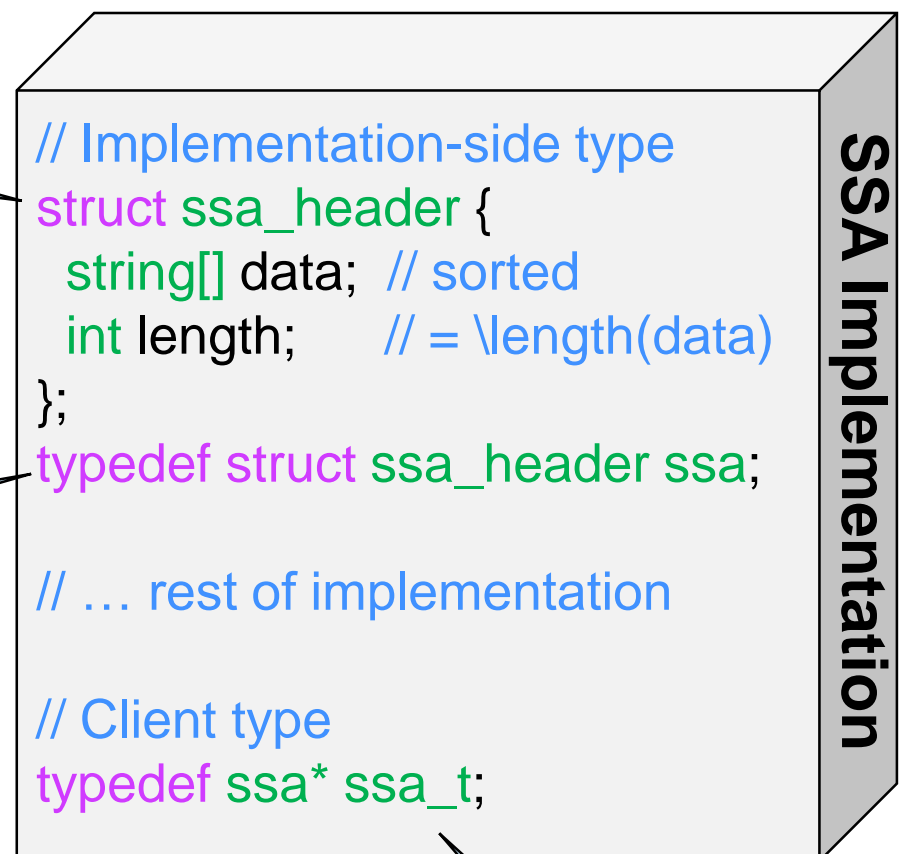
- Store elements in a C0 array, but keep track of the length
  - Package them together in a struct

This is the **concrete** implementation type

- Define an internal nickname for it
  - So that the code is succinct and readable
  - It's convenient that it **not** be a pointer

Internal nickname

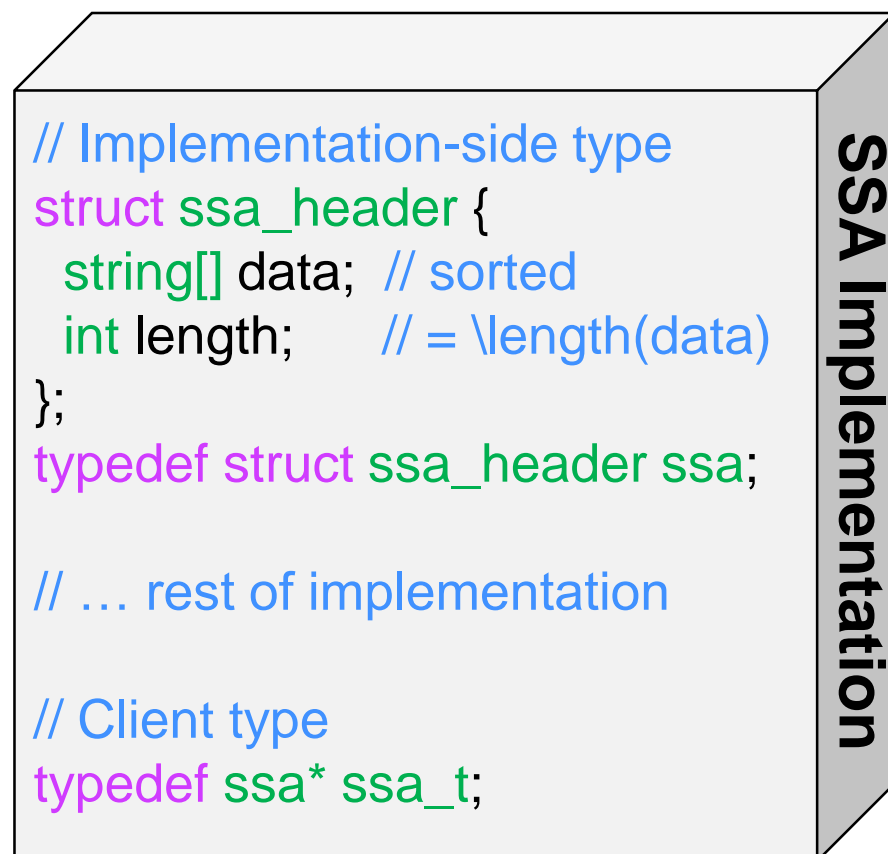
- Define the abstract type exported to the client
  - This is what connects the concrete implementation type with the exported abstract type



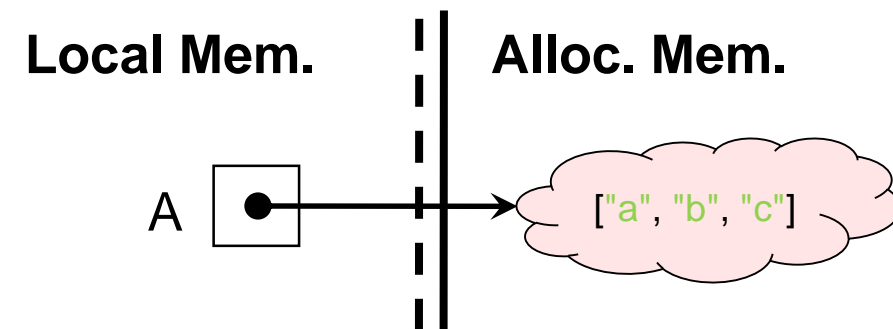
**Abstract**  
client type

# Client vs. Implementation View

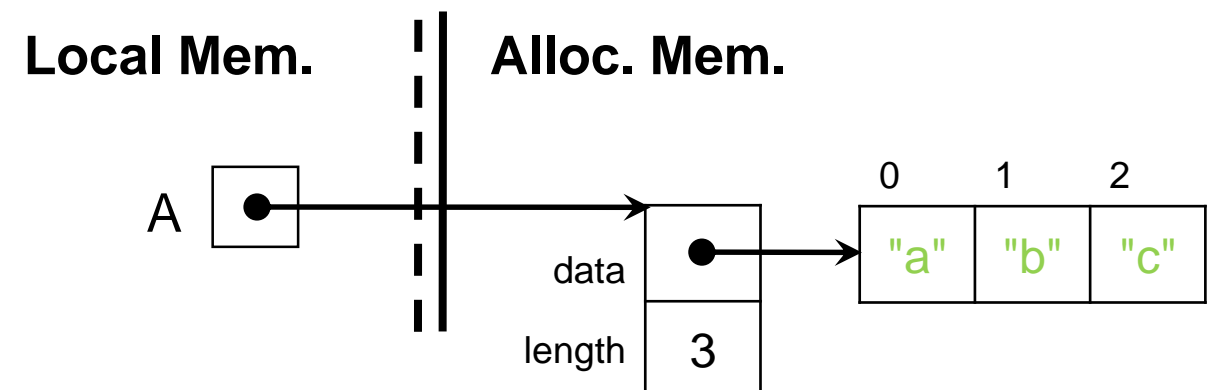
An SSA containing "a", "b" and "c"



- Client view



- Implementation view



# Implementing `ssa_get`

## SSA Interface

```
string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL; @*/
/*@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/;
```

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;
```

```
string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL;
/*@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}
```

```
// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

- Simply return the i-th element of the underlying array

`return A->data[i]`

- Is this safe? We need to check

- `A != NULL`

- By 1<sup>st</sup> precondition



- `0 <= i`

- By 2<sup>nd</sup> precondition (first conjunct)



- `i < \length(A->data)`

- We know that `i < ssa_len(A)`

- but we don't know how `ssa_len(A)` and `\length(A->data)` are related

- **Not supported!**



# Let's also write `ssa_len`

## SSA Interface

```
int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/*@requires A != NULL;          @*/
/*@ensures \result >= 0;        @*/;

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL;          @*/
/*@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/;
```

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;
```

```
int ssa_len(ssa* A)
/*@requires A != NULL;
/*@ensures \result >= 0;
{
    return A->length;
}
```

```
string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL;
/*@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}
```

```
// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

- Simply return the length field
- Is this safe? We need to check
  - **A != NULL**
    - By precondition ✓
- Does this help us with `ssa_get`?
  - No useful postcondition ✗
    - Peeking at the code of `ssa_len` would be operational reasoning!

# Let's also write `ssa_len`

## SSA Interface

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int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
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/* @ensures \result >= 0; @*/ ;

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL; @*/
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;
```

SSA Implementation

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

int ssa_len(ssa* A)
/* @requires A != NULL;
/* @ensures \result >= 0;
/* @ensures \result == \length(A->data);
{
    return A->length;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL;
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

- Add a *useful* postcondition

`\result == \length(A->data)`

- Is this safe? We need to check

- `A != NULL`

- By precondition



- Is `ssa_len` correct?

- No relation between `A->length` and `\length(A->data)`



*Innocent mistake: define `ssa_new` as*

```
ssa* ssa_new(int size) {
    ssa* A = alloc(ssa);
    A->length = size;
    A->data = alloc_array(string, size+1);
    return A;
}
```

# Let's also write `ssa_len`

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int ssa_len(ssa* A)
// @requires A != NULL;
// @requires A->length == \length(A->data);
// @ensures \result >= 0;
// @ensures \result == \length(A->data);
{
    return A->length;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
// @requires A != NULL;
// @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

- Add it as a precondition  
 $A \rightarrow \text{length} == \backslash \text{length}(A \rightarrow \text{data})$
- Is this safe? We need to check
  - $A \neq \text{NULL}$  ✓  
➤ By precondition
- Is `ssa_len` correct?
  - $A \rightarrow \text{length} == \backslash \text{length}(A \rightarrow \text{data})$   
➤ By new precondition
  - $\backslash \text{result} == A \rightarrow \text{length}$   
➤ By code
  - $\backslash \text{result} == \backslash \text{length}(A \rightarrow \text{data})$  ✓  
➤ By previous two

# Back to `ssa_get`

## SSA Interface

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int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
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SSA Implementation

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typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

int ssa_len(ssa* A)
/* @requires A != NULL;
/* @requires A->length == \length(A->data);
/* @ensures \result >= 0;
/* @ensures \result == \length(A->data);
{
    return A->length;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL;
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

- Is the code for `ssa_get` safe?
  - The new postcondition of `ssa_len` takes care of the remaining safety check
    - $i < \text{\length}(A \rightarrow \text{data})$  ✓
  - But `ssa_len` has a new precondition
    - $A \rightarrow \text{length} == \text{\length}(A \rightarrow \text{data})$
    - we need to have a reason for why it is satisfied
      - ❑ but we don't
    - **Not supported!** ✗



# Back to `ssa_get`

## SSA Interface

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typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

int ssa_len(ssa* A)
/* @requires A != NULL;
/* @requires A->length == \length(A->data);
/* @ensures \result >= 0;
/* @ensures \result == \length(A->data);
{
    return A->length;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL;
/* @requires A->length == \length(A->data);
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

## ● Is the code for `ssa_get` safe?

### ○ Add

`A->length == \length(A->data)`

as a precondition to `ssa_get` to support the safety of `ssa_len`

➤ `A->length == \length(A->data)`

□ By new precondition



# **Representation Invariants**

# Where are we?

## SSA Interface

```
int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @ensures \result >= 0;       @*/ ;

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;
```

SSA Implementation

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

int ssa_len(ssa* A)
/*@requires A != NULL;
/*@requires A->length == \length(A->data);
/*@ensures \result >= 0;
/*@ensures \result == \length(A->data);
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    return A->length;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL;
/*@requires A->length == \length(A->data);
/*@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

- All our code is safe
- Both functions have preconditions
  - A != NULL
  - A->length == \length(A->data)
  - ssa\_set will need them too
  - and ssa\_new will have them as postconditions

# Where are we?

## SSA Interface

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int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @requires A != NULL; @*/
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}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL;
  @requires A->length == \length(A->data);
  @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

## SSA Implementation

- They are fundamental properties an **ssa\*** must obey to be the representation of a valid SSA
  - NULL is not a valid SSA
  - The length field must be equal to the length of the array field data
- These are **invariants** of our representation:
  - Preconditions of every library function that takes an SSA as a parameter
  - Postcondition of every library function that returns or modifies an SSA

# Representation Invariants

## SSA Interface

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int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @requires A != NULL;           @*/
/* @ensures \result >= 0;         @*/ ;

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
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/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;
```

SSA Implementation

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

int ssa_len(ssa* A)
/*@requires A != NULL;
  @requires A->length == \length(A->data);
  @requires is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length);
  @ensures \result >= 0;
  @ensures \result == \length(A->data);
{
    return A->length;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/*@requires A != NULL;
  @requires A->length == \length(A->data);
  @requires is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length);
  @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}
```

## ● Representation invariants

- Preconditions of every library function that takes an SSA as a parameter
- Postcondition of every library function that returns or modifies an SSA

○ Also called **data structure invariants**

## ● Do `ssa*` have other representation invariants?

- Yes! `A->data` should be sorted  
`is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length)`

# Representation Invariants

## SSA Interface

```
int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @ensures \result >= 0;        @*/ ;

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;
```

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

bool is_ssa (ssa* A) { ... }

int ssa_len(ssa* A)
/*@requires is_ssa(A);
  @ensures \result >= 0;
  @ensures \result == \length(A->data);
{
    return A->length;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
/*@requires is_ssa(A);
  @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

- Factor them out into a single function that checks that they are satisfied

is\_ssa

- Representation invariant function

**Convention:** name of representation invariant functions start with **is\_**

# Representation Invariants

## SSA Interface

```
ssa_t ssa_new(int size)
/* @requires 0 <= size; @*/
/* @ensures \result != NULL; @*/
/* @ensures ssa_len(\result) == size; @*/ ;

void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x)
/* @requires A != NULL; @*/
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/ ;
```

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;
```

```
bool is_ssa (ssa* A) { ... }
```

```
ssa* ssa_new(int size)
// @requires size >= 0;
// @ensures is_ssa(\result);
// @ensures ssa_len(\result) == size;
{
    ssa* A = alloc(ssa);
    A->data = alloc_array(string, size);
    A->length = size;
    return A;
}
```

```
void ssa_set(ssa* A, int i, string x)
// @requires is_ssa(A);
// @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
// @ensures is_ssa(A);
{ /* left as exercise */ }
```

SSA Implementation

- The remaining functions

- Precondition of every **ssa\*** parameter

Defining the internal type **ssa** not to be a pointer allows simpler allocations

- Postcondition of

- every returned **ssa\***
    - every modified **ssa\*** parameter

# The representation Invariant Function

```
struct ssa_header {  
    string[] data; // sorted  
    int length;    // = \length(data)  
};  
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;  
  
// Representation invariant  
bool is_ssa (ssa* A) {  
    return A != NULL  
        && A->length == \length(A->data)  
        && is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length);  
}  
  
// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

Let's write it!

- 1<sup>st</sup> attempt: simply copy the contracts it stands for
  - **Problem:** `\length` can only be used in contracts

x



# The representation Invariant Function

```
struct ssa_header {  
    string[] data; // sorted  
    int length;    // = \length(data)  
};  
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;  
  
// Representation invariant  
bool is_ssa (ssa* A)  
//@requires A->length == \length(A->data);  
{  
    return A != NULL  
        && is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length);  
}  
  
// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

Let's write it!

- 2<sup>nd</sup> attempt: move that part in the precondition of `is_ssa`
  - **Problem:** this is unsafe!
    - A may be NULL
    - NULL checked only *after* the precondition

✗

# The representation Invariant Function

```
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

// Representation invariant
bool is_array_expected_length(string[] A, int len) {
    //@assert \length(A) == len;
    return true;
}

bool is_ssa (ssa* A) {
    return A != NULL
        && is_array_expected_length(A->data, A->length)
        && is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length);
}

// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

Let's write it!

- 3<sup>rd</sup> attempt: move it into a helper function



# The representation Invariant Function

```
struct ssa_header {  
    string[] data; // sorted  
    int length;    // = \length(data)  
};  
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;  
  
// Representation invariant  
bool is_ssa (ssa* A) {  
    if (A == NULL) return false;  
    //@assert A->length == \length(A->data);  
    return is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length);  
}  
  
// ... rest of implementation
```

SSA Implementation

Let's write it!

- Alternative 3<sup>rd</sup> attempt: turn it into an **//@assert** in **is\_ssa**



# Things to Note

- The representation invariant function `is_ssa` is **NOT** part of interface
  - Clients are allowed to manipulate SSA's **only using the interface** functions
    - If the library is correct, `is_ssa(A)` will always return true
    - Client must ensure the safety of library calls according to the interface
      - ❑ `A != NULL` only
    - Providing `is_ssa` to clients would encourage them to bypass the interface
      - ❑ use `is_ssa` to test if hacks are successful
  - The representation invariant function is an implementation device to ensure the safety and correctness of the library code
    - Used while developing the library
      - Every function that takes an SSA A must have `//@requires is_ssa(A);`
      - Every function that modifies an input SSA A must have `//@ensures is_ssa(A);`
      - Every function that returns an SSA must have `//@ensures is_ssa(\result);`

# Things to Note

- The contracts in the interface and the implementation are **different**

Interface	Implementation
<pre>void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x) /* @requires A != NULL;          @*/ /* @requires 0 &lt;= i &amp;&amp; i &lt; ssa_len(A); @*/;</pre>	<pre>void ssa_set(ssa* A, int i, string x) //@requires is_ssa(A); //@requires 0 &lt;= i &amp;&amp; i &lt; ssa_len(A); //@ensures is_ssa(A);</pre>

- The implementation contracts are more detailed
  - `is_ssa(A)` checks `A != NULL`
  - The implementation contains more information, so it needs to check more things
  - There is no point having `//@ensures A != NULL` in the interface
    - `ssa_set` is called with a *copy* of the address of A
    - when returning, the original has not changed, even if `ssa_set` modified its copy of A
      - ❑ If original A was not NULL when calling `ssa_set`, it will not be NULL when returning from it

# Overall Implementation

```
// Implementation-side type
struct ssa_header {
    string[] data; // sorted
    int length;    // = \length(data)
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

// Representation invariant
bool is_sorted(string[] A, int lo, int hi) {
    /* left as exercise */
}

bool is_ssa(ssa* A) {
    if (A == NULL) return false;
    //@assert A->length == \length(A->data);
    return is_sorted(A->data, 0, A->length);
}

// Implementation of interface functions
int ssa_len(ssa* A)
//@requires is_ssa(A);
//@ensures \result >= 0;
//@ensures \result == \length(A->data);
{
    return A->length;
}

ssa* ssa_new(int size)
//@requires size >= 0;
//@ensures is_ssa(\result);
//@ensures ssa_len(\result) == size;
{
    ssa* A = alloc(ssa);
    A->data = alloc_array(string, size);
    A->length = size;
    return A;
}

string ssa_get(ssa* A, int i)
//@requires is_ssa(A);
//@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
{
    return A->data[i];
}

void ssa_set(ssa* A, int i, string x)
//@requires is_ssa(A);
//@requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A);
//@ensures is_ssa(A);
{ /* left as exercise */ }

// Client type
typedef ssa* ssa_t;
```

SSA Implementation

- By **convention**, we put the interface **after** the implementation in the same file

## SSA Interface

```
// typedef _____* ssa_t;

int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @ensures \result >= 0;       @*/;

ssa_t ssa_new(int size)
/* @requires 0 <= size;          @*/
/* @ensures \result != NULL;    @*/
/* @ensures ssa_len(\result) == size; @*/;

string ssa_get(ssa_t A, int i)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/;

void ssa_set(ssa_t A, int i, string x)
/* @requires A != NULL;          @*/
/* @requires 0 <= i && i < ssa_len(A); @*/;
```

How

What

# Structure of a C0 Library File

```
/****** IMPLEMENTATION *****/
// Implementation-side type
struct ssa_header {
    ...
};
typedef struct ssa_header ssa;

// Representation invariant
bool is_ssa(ssa* A) {
    ...
}

// Implementation of interface functions
int ssa_len(ssa* A) { ... }

...

// Client type
typedef ssa* ssa_t;

/****** LIBRARY INTERFACE *****/
// typedef _____* ssa_t;

int ssa_len(ssa_t A)
/*@requires A != NULL;          @*/
/*@ensures \result >= 0;        @*/;

...
```

Implementation

Interface

- Implementation
  - Concrete type definition
  - Representation invariant function
  - Implementation of interface functions
  - Client type definition
- Interface
  - Abstract type name
    - Pseudo-**typedef**
  - Prototype of exported functions

We will revisit this

# Compiling a Library in a C0 Application

- Library file contains both implementation and interface
- When compiling,  
library files come **before** application files
  - The application uses library interface types and functions
  - They need to be defined first
    - this happens in the library

