

Solution 7: Inheritance and polymorphism

ETH Zurich

1 Polymorphism and dynamic binding

Task 1

```
create warrior.make ("Thor")  
warrior.level_up
```

Does the code compile? Yes No
"Thor is now a level 2 warrior".

Task 2

```
create hero.make ("Althea")  
hero.level_up
```

Does the code compile? Yes No
Creation instruction applies to target of a deferred type.

Task 3

```
create warrior.make ("Thor")  
create healer.make ("Althea")  
warrior.do_action (healer)
```

Does the code compile? Yes No
Class `WARRIOR` does not have a feature `do_action`.

Task 4

```
create {HEALER} warrior.make ("Diana")  
warrior.level_up
```

Does the code compile? Yes No
Explicit creation type `HEALER` does not conform to the target type `WARRIOR`.

Task 5

```
create {WARRIOR} hero.make ("Thor")  
hero.do_action (hero)  
create {HEALER} hero.make ("Althea")  
hero.do_action (hero)
```

Does the code compile? Yes No
"Thor attacks Thor. Does 5 damage
Althea heals Althea by 0 points".

Task 6

```
create {WARRIOR} hero.make ("Thor")  
warrior := hero  
warrior.attack (hero)
```

Does the code compile? Yes No

The source of assignment (of type *HERO*) does not conform to target (of type *WARRIOR*).

2 Ghosts in Zurich

Listing 1: Class *GHOST*

```
note
  description: "Ghost that flies around a station."

class
  GHOST

inherit
  MOBILE

create
  make

feature {NONE} -- Initialization

  make (a_station: STATION; a_radius: REAL_64)
    -- Create ghost flying around 'a_station' at distance 'a_radius'.
  require
    station_exists: a_station /= Void
    radius_positive: a_radius > 0.0
  do
    station := a_station
    radius := a_radius
  ensure
    station_set: station = a_station
    radius_set: radius = a_radius
  end

feature -- Access

  position: VECTOR
    -- Current position in the city.
  do
    Result := station.position + create {VECTOR}.make_polar (radius, angle)
  end

  station: STATION
    -- Station around which the ghost flies.

  radius: REAL_64
    -- Distance from 'station'.

  speed: REAL_64 = 10.0
    -- Motion speed (meters/second).

feature {NONE} -- Movement
```

```
angle: REAL_64
  -- Angle of the current position (with respect to eastwards direction).

move_distance (d: REAL_64)
  -- Move by 'd' meters.
do
  angle := angle + d / radius
end

invariant
  station_exists: station /= Void
  radius_positive: radius > 0.0
  circular_trajectory: approx_equal (position.distance (station.position), radius)
end
```

Listing 2: Class *GHOST_INVASION*

```
note
  description: "Adding ghost to Zurich."

class
  GHOST_INVASION

inherit
  ZURICH_OBJECTS

feature -- Explore Zurich

  invade
    -- Add ghosts to random stations.
    local
      i: INTEGER
      cursor: like Zurich.stations.new_cursor
      random: V_RANDOM
    do
      from
        i := 1
        cursor := Zurich.stations.new_cursor
        create random
      until
        i > 10
      loop
        cursor.go_to (random.bounded_item (1, Zurich.stations.count))
        random.forth
        add_ghost (cursor.item, random.bounded_item (10, 100))
        random.forth
        i := i + 1
      end
      Zurich_map.animate
    end

  add_ghost (a_station: STATION; a_radius: REAL_64)
    -- Add a ghost going around 'a_station'.
```

```
require
  a_station_exists: a_station /= Void
  a_radius_positive: a_radius > 0.0
local
  ghost: GHOST
do
  create ghost.make (a_station, a_radius)
  Zurich.add_custom_mobile (ghost)
  Zurich_map.update
  Zurich_map.custom_mobile_view (ghost).set_icon ("../image/ghost.png")
end
end
```

3 Code review

There is no master solution for this task.

4 Board game: Part 3

You can download a complete solution from http://se.inf.ethz.ch/courses/2012b_fall/eprog/assignments/07/board_game_solution.zip. Below you will find listings of classes that changed since assignment 6.

Listing 3: Class *SQUARE*

```
class
  SQUARE

inherit
  ANY
  redefine
    out
  end

feature -- Basic operations

  affect (p: PLAYER)
    -- Apply square's special effect to 'p'.
    require
      p_exists: p /= Void
    do
      -- For a normal square do nothing.
    end

feature -- Output

  out: STRING
    -- Textual representation.
  do
    Result := "."
  end
```

end

Listing 4: Class *BAD_INVESTMENT_SQUARE*

```
class
  BAD_INVESTMENT_SQUARE

inherit
  SQUARE
  redefine
    affect,
    out
  end

feature -- Basic operations

  affect (p: PLAYER)
    -- Apply square's special effect to 'p'.
  do
    p.transfer (-5)
  end

feature -- Output

  out: STRING
    -- Textual representation.
  do
    Result := "#"
  end

end
```

Listing 5: Class *LOTTERY_WIN_SQUARE*

```
class
  LOTTERY_WIN_SQUARE

inherit
  SQUARE
  redefine
    affect,
    out
  end

feature -- Basic operations

  affect (p: PLAYER)
    -- Apply square's special effect to 'p'.
  do
    p.transfer (10)
  end

feature -- Output
```

```
out: STRING
  -- Textual representation.
do
  Result := "$"
end
end
```

Listing 6: Class *BOARD*

```
class
  BOARD

inherit
  ANY
  redefine
    out
  end

create
  make

feature {NONE} -- Initialization
  make
    -- Initialize squares.
  local
    i: INTEGER
  do
    create squares.make (1, Square_count)
  from
    i := 1
  until
    i > Square_count
  loop
    if i \ 10 = 5 then
      squares [i] := create {BAD_INVESTMENT_SQUARE}
    elseif i \ 10 = 0 then
      squares [i] := create {LOTTERY_WIN_SQUARE}
    else
      squares [i] := create {SQUARE}
    end
    i := i + 1
  end
end

feature -- Access
  squares: V_ARRAY [SQUARE]
  -- Container for squares

feature -- Constants
  Square_count: INTEGER = 40
  -- Number of squares.
```

```
feature -- Output
  out: STRING
  do
    Result := ""
    across
      squares as c
    loop
      Result.append (c.item.out)
    end
  end

invariant
  squares_exists: squares /= Void
  squares_count_valid: squares.count = Square_count
end
```

Listing 7: Class *PLAYER*

```
class
  PLAYER

create
  make

feature {NONE} -- Initialization

  make (n: STRING; b: BOARD)
    -- Create a player with name 'n' playing on board 'b'.
    require
      name_exists: n /= Void and then not n.is_empty
      board_exists: b /= Void
    do
      name := n.twin
      board := b
      position := b.squares.lower
    ensure
      name_set: name ~ n
      board_set: board = b
      at_start: position = b.squares.lower
    end

feature -- Access
  name: STRING
    -- Player name.

  board: BOARD
    -- Board on which the player is playing.

  position: INTEGER
    -- Current position on the board.

  money: INTEGER
```

```

        -- Amount of money.

feature -- Moving
    move (n: INTEGER)
        -- Advance 'n' positions on the board.
        require
            not_beyond_start: n >= board.squares.lower - position
        do
            position := position + n
        ensure
            position_set: position = old position + n
        end

feature -- Money
    transfer (amount: INTEGER)
        -- Add 'amount' to 'money'.
        do
            money := (money + amount).max (0)
        ensure
            money_set: money = (old money + amount).max (0)
        end

feature -- Basic operations
    play (d1, d2: DIE)
        -- Play a turn with dice 'd1', 'd2'.
        require
            dice_exist: d1 /= Void and d2 /= Void
        do
            d1.roll
            d2.roll
            move (d1.face_value + d2.face_value)
            if position <= board.squares.upper then
                board.squares [position].affect (Current)
            end
            print (name + " rolled " + d1.face_value.out + " and " + d2.face_value.out +
                ". Moves to " + position.out +
                ". Now has " + money.out + " CHF.%N")
        end

invariant
    name_exists: name /= Void and then not name.is_empty
    board_exists: board /= Void
    position_valid: position >= board.squares.lower -- Token can go beyond the finish position,
        but not the start
    money_non_negative: money >= 0
end
    
```

Listing 8: Class *GAME*

```

class
    GAME

create
    
```

```
make

feature {NONE} --- Initialization

make (n: INTEGER)
  -- Create a game with 'n' players.
  require
    n_in_bounds: Min_player_count <= n and n <= Max_player_count
  local
    i: INTEGER
    p: PLAYER
  do
    create board.make
    create players.make (1, n)
  from
    i := 1
  until
    i > players.count
  loop
    create p.make ("Player" + i.out, board)
    p.transfer (Initial_money)
    players [i] := p
    print (p.name + " joined the game.%N")
    i := i + 1
  end
  create die_1.roll
  create die_2.roll
end

feature --- Basic operations

play
  -- Start a game.
  local
    round, i: INTEGER
  do
    from
      winners := Void
      round := 1
      print ("The game begins.%N")
      print_board
    until
      winners /= Void
    loop
      print ("%NRound #" + round.out + "%N%N")
    from
      i := 1
    until
      winners /= Void or else i > players.count
    loop
      players [i].play (die_1, die_2)
      if players [i].position > board.Square_count then
```

```
        select_winners
      end
      i := i + 1
    end
    print_board
    round := round + 1
  end
ensure
  has_winners: winners /= Void and then not winners.is_empty
  winners_are_players: across winners as w all players.has (w.item) end
end
```

feature -- Constants

```
Min_player_count: INTEGER = 2
  -- Minimum number of players.

Max_player_count: INTEGER = 6
  -- Maximum number of players.

Initial_money: INTEGER = 7
  -- Initial amount of money of each player.
```

feature -- Access

```
board: BOARD
  -- Board.

players: V_ARRAY [PLAYER]
  -- Container for players.

die_1: DIE
  -- The first die.

die_2: DIE
  -- The second die.

winners: V_LIST [PLAYER]
  -- Winners (Void if the game is not over yet).
```

feature {NONE} -- Implementation

```
select_winners
  -- Put players with most money into 'winners'.
local
  i, max: INTEGER
do
  create {V_LINKED_LIST [PLAYER]} winners
  from
    i := 1
  until
    i > players.count
  loop
```

```

    if players [i].money > max then
      max := players [i].money
      winners.wipe_out
      winners.extend_back (players [i])
    elseif players [i].money = max then
      winners.extend_back (players [i])
    end
    i := i + 1
  end
ensure
  has_winners: winners /= Void and then not winners.is_empty
  winners_are_players: across winners as w all players.has (w.item) end
end

print_board
  -- Output players positions on the board.
local
  i, j: INTEGER
do
  io.new_line
  print (board)
  io.new_line
  from
    i := 1
  until
    i > players.count
  loop
    from
      j := 1
    until
      j >= players [i].position
    loop
      print (" ")
      j := j + 1
    end
    print (i)
    io.new_line
    i := i + 1
  end
end

invariant
  board_exists: board /= Void
  players_exist: players /= Void
  all_players_exist: across players as p all p.item /= Void end
  number_of_players_consistent: Min_player_count <= players.count and players.count <=
    Max_player_count
  dice_exist: die_1 /= Void and die_2 /= Void
end

```

We introduced class *BOARD* because in the new version of the game the board has a more complicated structure (arrangement of squares of different kinds).

We went for a flexible solution that introduces class *SQUARE* and lets squares affect players that land on them in an arbitrary way. Classes *BAD_INVESTMENT_SQUARE* and *LOTTERY_WIN_SQUARE* define specific effects. This design would be easily extensible if other types of special squares are added, that affect not only the player's amount of money, but also other properties (e.g. position).

A simpler solution would be not to create class *SQUARE*; instead of array of squares in class *BOARD* introduce an array of integers that represent how much money a square at certain position gives to a player. This solution is not flexible with respect to adding other kinds of special squares.

Another simpler solution would be to add a procedure *affect* (*p*: *PLAYER*) directly to class *BOARD* (instead of creating a class *SQUARE* and an array of squares):

```
affect (p: PLAYER)  
  require  
    p_exists: p /= Void  
  do  
    if p.position \\ 10 = 5 then  
      p.transfer (-5)  
    elseif p.position \\ 10 = 0 then  
      p.transfer (10)  
    end  
  end
```

The disadvantage of this approach is that the logic behind all different kinds of special squares is concentrated in a single feature; it isn't decomposed. Adding new kinds of special squares will make this feature large and complicated.