

Software Architecture Exam

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I confirm with my signature, that I was able to take this exam under regular circumstances and that I have read and understood the directions below.

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Directions:

- Exam duration: 90 minutes.
- Except for a dictionary you are not allowed to use any supplementary material.
- Use a pen (**not** a pencil)!
- Please write your student number onto **each** sheet.
- All solutions can be written directly onto the exam sheets. If you need more space for your solution ask the supervisors for a sheet of official paper. You are **not** allowed to use other paper.
- Only one solution can be handed in per question. Invalid solutions need to be crossed out clearly.
- Please write legibly! We will only correct solutions that we can read.
- Manage your time carefully (take into account the number of points for each question).
- Don't forget to add comments to features.
- Please **immediately** tell the supervisors of the exam if you feel disturbed during the exam.

Good luck!

Question	Number of possible points	Points
1	10	
2	10	
3	11	
4	18	
5	17	

1 Abstract Data Types (10 Points)

The MyMusic shop sells music CDs. The shop needs to keep track of the CD titles they have, so for each CD title they need to know:

- the name of the artist
- the title of the album
- the price
- how many copies they have on stock

It should also be possible to set a different price for a CD than it was created with, to sell CDs (no more than there are on stock), and to order new copies of a certain CD when there are none left on stock.

The following ADT should model this notion. Note that although it is called “CD” it represents a CD title, not an individual CD (e.g. “Mozart’s 40th Symphony, recorded by Karajan and published by Deutsche Gramophon”, not one particular CD with that title). Types `STRING` and `INTEGER` are considered given with the usual semantics and are opaque types (this means their own properties are not visible and do not matter in the exercise).

TYPES

`CD`, `STRING`, `INTEGER`

FUNCTIONS

`new_cd`: `STRING` × `STRING` × `INTEGER` × `INTEGER` → `CD`

`title`: `CD` → `STRING`

`artist`: `CD` → `STRING`

`price`: `CD` → `INTEGER`

`quantity`: `CD` → `INTEGER`

`set_price`: `CD` × `INTEGER` → `CD`

`sell`: `CD` × `INTEGER` → `CD`

`order_new`: `CD` × `INTEGER` → `CD`

The informal semantics of these functions is the following:

- “`new_cd`” yields a new CD with the data it receives as argument (in this order): title, artist, price, quantity (the initial quantity on stock)
- “`title`”, “`artist`”, “`price`”, “`quantity`” return the corresponding characteristics of a CD
- “`set_price`” sets the price of a CD to the given argument
- “`sell`” reduces the quantity of CDs on stock by the given number
- “`order_new`” increases the quantity of CDs on stock with the given number

The business model of the shop imposes the following constraints:

- The quantity on stock must always be non-negative.
- New copies of a CD can only be ordered when the shop does not have it on stock anymore.
- The price of a CD must be strictly greater than 0.
- A new CD can only be created if there is at least one copy on stock.

To Do:

1. Which functions from the above list are (1 POINT):

- (a) Creators:
- (b) Queries:
- (c) Commands:

(you only need to specify the functions' names)

2. Mark the functions that should be partial in the **FUNCTIONS** section (by crossing the arrow in the function definition) (1 POINT).

3. Write the **PRECONDITIONS** section of the CD ADT (4 POINTS).

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4. Write the **AXIOMS** section of the CD ADT so that this ADT is sufficiently complete (you don't need to prove sufficient completeness) (4 POINTS).

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2 Design by Contract (10 Points)

The class *COUNTER* represents a natural counter with routines *increment* and *decrement*. The counter is implemented as an *INTEGER*. The class *STUDENT* represents students that take courses. The class *COURSE* represents courses. A course consists of a name, a list of students that are registered in the course, and a counter that stores the number of students registered in the course. In the following classes implementing this notion, complete the contracts at the locations marked by dotted lines. The first contract (the postcondition of feature *make* of class *COUNTER*) is done as an example. Part of the interface of class *LINKED_LIST* is provided to help the development of the contracts of class *COURSE*.

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indexing
2  description: "Objects that represent a natural counter."

4  class
    COUNTER
6  create
    make
8
9  feature -- Initialization
10
11     make is
12         -- Create a counter initializing it with 0.
13         do
14             item := 0
15         ensure
16             initial_value_is_0 : item = 0
17         end
18
19     feature -- Element change
20     increment is
21         -- Increment the counter by 1.
22         do
23             item := item + 1
24         ensure
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26         .....
27     end
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29     decrement is
30         -- Decrement the counter by 1.
31         require
32
33         .....
34         do
35             item := item - 1
36         ensure
37
38         .....
39     end
40
41     feature -- Implementation
42     item: INTEGER
43
44 invariant
45
46     .....
47
48 end

indexing
2  description: "Objects that represent students. A student consists of a name."
3  class
4     STUDENT

6  create
    make
8
9  feature -- Initialization
10     make (n: STRING) is

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12         -- Create a student whose name is 'n'.
13     require
14
15     .....
16     do
17         name := n
18     ensure
19
20     .....
21 end
22 feature -- Access
23
24     set_name (n: STRING) is
25         -- Set the name.
26     require
27
28     .....
29     do
30         name := n
31     ensure
32
33     .....
34 end
35
36 feature -- Implementation
37     name: STRING
38
39 invariant
40
41 .....
42
43 end
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46 indexing
47     description: "Objects that represent courses"
48
49 class
50     COURSE
51
52     create
53     make
54
55 feature {NONE} -- Initialization
56
57     make (n: STRING) is
58         -- Create a new course with name 'n'.
59     require
60
61     .....
62     do
63         name := n
64         create count_students.make
65         create students.make
66     ensure
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24 **end**

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28 **feature** *-- Basic operations*

register (s: STUDENT) is

30 *-- Register a student.*

require

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36 **do**

students.extend (s)

38 *count_students.increment*

ensure

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42 **end**

44 *delete (s: STUDENT) is*

-- Delete a student from the course.

46 **require**

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do

students.start

52 *students.prune (s)*

54 *count_students.decrement*

ensure

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58 **end**

60 **feature** *-- Implementation*

name: STRING

62 *count_students: COUNTER*

students: LINKED_LIST [STUDENT]

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invariant

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72 **end**

class interface

```
2  LINKED_LIST [G]
4  create
   4  make
6  feature -- Access
8
   8  cursor: LINKED_LIST_CURSOR [G]
10         -- Current cursor position
12
   12  first: like item
        -- Item at first position
14
   14  index: INTEGER_32
        -- Index of current position
16
   18  item: G
        -- Current item
20
   22  last: like item
        -- Item at last position
24 feature -- Measurement
26
   26  count: INTEGER_32
        -- Number of items
28
   28  feature -- Status report
30
   30  after: BOOLEAN
32         -- Is there no valid cursor position to the right of cursor?
34
   34  before: BOOLEAN
36         -- Is there no valid cursor position to the left of cursor?
36
   36  full: BOOLEAN is False
38         -- Is structured filled to capacity? (Answer: no.)
40
   40  is_inserted (v: G): BOOLEAN
42         -- Has 'v' been inserted at the end by the most recent put or
        -- extend?
44
   44  has (v: like item): BOOLEAN is
46         -- Does linked list include 'v'?
46
   46  isfirst: BOOLEAN
48         -- Is cursor at first position?
50
   50  islast: BOOLEAN
52         -- Is cursor at last position?
52
   52  off: BOOLEAN
54         -- Is there no current item?
56
   56  readable: BOOLEAN
58         -- Is there a current item that may be read?
58
   58  valid_cursor (p: CURSOR): BOOLEAN
60         -- Can the cursor be moved to position 'p'?
62 feature -- Cursor movement
```

```
64  back
    --- Move to previous item.
66
    finish
68      --- Move cursor to last position.
    --- (Go before if empty)
70
    forth
72      --- Move cursor to next position.
74  go_to (p: CURSOR)
    --- Move cursor to position 'p'.
76
    start
78      --- Move cursor to first position.
80  search (v: like item) is
    --- Move to first position (at or after current
82      --- position) where 'item' and 'v' are equal.
    --- If structure does not include 'v' ensure that
84      --- 'exhausted' will be true.
86 feature --- Element change
88  extend (v: like item)
    --- Add 'v' to end.
90      --- Do not move cursor.
92  merge_left (other: like Current)
    --- Merge 'other' into current structure before cursor
94      --- position. Do not move cursor. Empty 'other'.
96  merge_right (other: like Current)
    --- Merge 'other' into current structure after cursor
98      --- position. Do not move cursor. Empty 'other'.
100 put_front (v: like item)
    --- Add 'v' to beginning.
102      --- Do not move cursor.
104 replace (v: like item)
    --- Replace current item by 'v'.
106
feature --- Removal
108
    remove
110      --- Remove current item.
    --- Move cursor to right neighbor
112      --- (or after if no right neighbor).
114 prune (v: like item) is
    --- Remove first occurrence of 'v', if any,
116      --- after cursor position.
    --- If found, move cursor to right neighbor;
118      --- if not, make structure 'exhausted'.
120 end --- class LINKED_LIST
```

3 Design Pattern Categories (11 Points)

Design patterns can be classified in terms of the underlying problem they are solving. In the lecture, you have seen three categories of design patterns: *creational design patterns*, *structural design patterns*, and *behavioral design patterns*. Assign each of the design patterns below to one of these three categories by writing its name into the according list. For each of the three categories choose one pattern and describe it in one or two sentences.

List: Composite, State, Abstract Factory, Singleton, Chain of Responsibility, Builder, Bridge, Strategy, Decorator, Flyweight

Example

List: Memento, Iterator, Interpreter

1. Behavioral design patterns:

- Name: *Iterator*

Description: *The iterator pattern provides a mechanism that allows sequential access to the elements of an aggregate object without exposing its underlying representation. In the iterator pattern each effective representation of the aggregate object has a corresponding effective iterator that provides operations **start**, **forth**, **off**, and **item**.*

- Name: *Interpreter*

- Name: *Memento*
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Fill in here:

Each correctly categorized pattern is worth 0.5 Point. For each correct pattern description you get 2 Points.

1. Creational design patterns:

- Name:

Description:

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- Name:
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2. Behavioral design patterns:

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3. Structural design patterns:

- Name:
Description:
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4 Observer (18 Points)

Below you will find a possible implementation for an application using the Observer design pattern:

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deferred class
2  OBSERVER
  feature -- Basic operations
4  update (a_subject: SUBJECT) is
      -- Update subscribed observers because a subject's state changed.
6    deferred
      end
8  end -- class OBSERVER

10 class
  CONCRETE_OBSERVER
12 inherit
  OBSERVER
14 create
  make
16
  feature {NONE} -- Initialization
18  make is
      -- Create subject_1 and subject_2.
20    do
      create subject_1.make (Current)
22      create subject_2.make (Current)
      end
24
  feature -- Access
26  subject_1: SUBJECT_1
      -- First subject of observer
28  subject_2: SUBJECT_2
      -- Second subject of observer
30
  feature -- Basic operations
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```
32  update (a_subject: SUBJECT) is
    -- Update subscribed observers because a subject's state changed.
34  do
    ...
36  end

38 end -- class CONCRETE_OBSERVER

40 deferred class
    SUBJECT
42
    feature {NONE} -- Initialization
44  make (an_observer: like observer) is
    -- Set observer to an_observer.
46  require
    an_observer_not_void: an_observer /= Void
48  do
    observer := an_observer
50  ensure
    observer_set: observer = an_observer
52  end

54 feature -- Access
    observer: OBSERVER
56  -- OBSERVER

58 feature -- Mediator pattern
    notify is
60  -- Notify observer that current subject has changed.
    do
62  observer.update (Current)
    end

64  do_something is
66  -- Do something.
    deferred
68  end

70 invariant
    observer_not_void: observer /= Void
72
    end -- class SUBJECT
74
    class
76  SUBJECT_1
    inherit
78  SUBJECT

80 create
    make

82
    feature -- Basic elements
84  do_something is
    -- Do something.
86  do
    io.put_string ("This is the first subject")
88  io.new_line
    end
90  change is
    -- Change the state of the object
92  do
    -- ...
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94     notify
      end
96   end -- class SUBJECT_1
98
100  class
      SUBJECT_2
102  inherit
      SUBJECT
104
      create
106  make

108  feature -- Basic elements
      do_something is
110    -- Do something.
      do
112      io.put_string ("This is the second subject")
          io.new_line
114    end
      change is
116    -- Change the state of the object
      do
118      -- ...
          notify
120    end

122  end -- class SUBJECT_2
    
```

The Observer design pattern uses a notify-update mechanism. Replace this notify-update mechanism by using the *EVENT_TYPE* class for the above application. The interface of class *EVENT_TYPE* is given below:

```

class interface
2  EVENT_TYPE [EVENT_DATA -> TUPLE create default_create end]

4  feature -- Element change

6  subscribe (an_action: PROCEDURE [ANY, EVENT_DATA]) is
      -- Add an_action to the subscription list.
8    require
          an_action_not_void: an_action /= Void
          an_action_not_already_subscribed: not has (an_action)
10    ensure
          an_action_subscribed: count = old count + 1 and has (an_action)
          index_at_same_position: index = old index
12
14  unsubscribe (an_action: PROCEDURE [ANY, EVENT_DATA]) is
      -- Remove an_action from the subscription list.
16    require
          an_action_not_void: an_action /= Void
          an_action_already_subscribed: has (an_action)
20    ensure
          an_action_unsubscribed: count = old count - 1 and not has (an_action)
          index_at_same_position: index = old index
22    end
24
26  feature -- Publication
      publish (arguments: EVENT_DATA) is
28    -- Publish all actions from the subscription list .
      require
    
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30    arguments_not_void: arguments /= Void
32 feature -- Measurement
34    count: INTEGER
      -- Number of items
36
      index: INTEGER is
38    -- Index of current position in the list of actions
40 feature -- Access
42    has (v: PROCEDURE [ANY, EVENT_DATA]): BOOLEAN
      -- Does the list of actions include v?
44 end -- class EVENT_TYPE

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5 Concurrent Programming (17 Points)

5.1 True or false (3 Points)

Are the following statements true or false? Write “T” for true or “F” for false in the corresponding box.

<i>Answer</i>	<i>Statement</i>
	The exact execution path of a concurrent program is non-deterministic in general, even with the same input.
	Access to and modification of shared variables should always be mutually exclusive.
	The sequence of instructions protected by a semaphore (through a “wait” operation) can be executed by at most one thread of control at any time.

5.2 Busy waiting (3 points)

Explain what busy waiting is and how semaphores remove the need for busy waiting.

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5.3 Semaphores (3 points)

A semaphore has an associated integer variable. Explain under what conditions the value of that variable can be: 1) Positive 2) Zero.

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5.4 Programming (8 points)

Consider the following scenario. There is a printing server which puts print tasks into a buffer, and a printer which gets printing tasks from the buffer, one at a time. If there is no task in the buffer, the printer will wait. The buffer is assumed to have infinite length and should be accessed exclusively.

Complete the following program using semaphore(s) or mutex(es) to make sure the printing server and the printer can cooperate correctly. You can assume that if S is a semaphore or a mutex, the calls *wait* (S) and *signal* (S) are available with the usual semantics.

Semaphore(s) or mutex(es) definition:

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Printing server program:

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new_task := next_print_task  -- Get a new print task.
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```
store_task (new_task, buffer)  -- Store the print task into buffer.
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Printer program:

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print_task := *task_from_buffer* (*buffer*) -- Get a print task from buffer.

remove_task (*print_task*, *buffer*) -- Remove the print task from buffer.

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print (*print_task*) -- Process the task.