

Exercise 3

Behavioral Subtyping

1.

```
class sortedArray{
    int[] A;
    invariant A ≠ null;
    invariant  $\forall i:\text{int} \mid 0 \leq i \wedge i < A.\text{length} - 1$ 
         $\Rightarrow A[i] < A[i+1]$ ;

    requires  $\forall i:\text{int} \mid 0 \leq i \wedge i < A.\text{length}$ 
         $\Rightarrow x \neq A[i]$ ;
    ensures A.length = old(A.length) + 1;
    ensures  $\exists i_0:\text{int} \mid (0 \leq i_0 \wedge i_0 < A.\text{length})$ 
 $\wedge (\forall i:\text{int} \mid 0 \leq i \wedge i < i_0 \Rightarrow$ 
        A[i] = old(A[i]))
 $\wedge (\forall i:\text{int} \mid i_0 < i \wedge i < A.\text{length}$ 
         $\Rightarrow A[i] = \text{old}(A[i-1]))$ 
 $\wedge A[i_0] = x$ ;
    void insert (int x){...}
}
```

Here is another way to express the last ensures clause. First of all we need to introduce an auxiliary predicate contains:

$\text{contains}(L, x) = \exists j:\text{int} \mid 0 \leq j \wedge j < L.\text{length} \wedge L[j]=x$

Using this predicate we can express the desired property as:

$\text{ensures } \forall i:\text{int} \mid \text{contains}(A, i) \Leftrightarrow$
 $i=x \vee \text{contains}(\text{old}(A), i)$

2.

a. The two classes have no behavioural subtyping relation. The invariant of SortedArrayEven is stronger than that of SortedArray, because it includes an extra conjunct:

$\forall i:\text{int} \mid 0 \leq i \wedge i < A.\text{length} - 1 \Rightarrow A[i] \% 2 == 0$

However, using insert with an odd parameter now breaks the invariant.

b. If we want to use SortedArrayEven as a behavioural subtype of SortedArray, then we can strengthen the precondition of SortedArray.insert, by conjoining $x \% 2 == 0$ to it. This however is not what SortedArray is meant to do.

c. The problem disappears if we forbid mutating methods: there is now no way for a method to break the stronger invariant.

d. The specification for NoDupArray is as follows:

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```

class NoDupArray{

    int[] A;
    invariant A ≠ null;
    invariant  $\forall i, j: \text{int} \mid$ 
         $0 \leq i \wedge i < j \wedge j < A.\text{length} \Rightarrow A[i] \neq A[j];$ 

    requires  $\forall i: \text{int} \mid 0 \leq i \wedge i < A.\text{length}$ 
         $\Rightarrow x \neq A[i];$ 
    ensures A.length = old(A.length) + 1;
    ensures  $\forall i: \text{int} \mid$ 
        contains (A, i)  $\Leftrightarrow i=x \vee$  contains (old(A), i)
    void insert (int x){...}
}

```

This class is a behavioural supertype of SortedArray. The reason that the mutator method insert does not pose a problem here is that its contract does not break the invariant of the subclass.

3.

	$\text{Pre}_{\text{super}} \Rightarrow \text{Pre}_{\text{sub}}$	$\text{Post}_{\text{sub}} \Rightarrow \text{Post}_{\text{super}}$	Behavioral subtyping
(a)	Yes	Yes	Yes
(b)	Yes	No	No
(c)	Yes	Yes	Yes
(d)	No	Yes	No
(e)	Yes	Yes	Yes
(f)	Yes	Yes	Yes

4. The proposed example violates the behavioral subtyping rules that we currently have. Nevertheless class B can be used in any context where class A can be used. The source of this mismatch is that we ignore preconditions when checking post-conditions. So if we want to check that a class Sub is a behavioral subtype of a class Super it is enough to check that for each inherited method m:

- $\text{Pre}_{\text{super}} \Rightarrow \text{Pre}_{\text{sub}}$
- $\text{old}(\text{Pre}_{\text{super}}) \wedge \text{Post}_{\text{sub}} \Rightarrow \text{Post}_{\text{super}}$

We can see that the new rules are satisfied for classes A and B (we assume that p is an in-parameter – this means that old(p) is equal to p):

- $p == p * p \Rightarrow p == 0 \mid \mid p == 1$
- $\text{result} == 2 \ \&\& \ p == p * p \Rightarrow p < \text{result}$

5.

a.

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```
class IncCounter
{
  int key;
  IncCounter () { key = 0; }

  //ensures key == old(key)+1 && result == old(key)
  int generate () { return key++; }
}
```

b. The postcondition for generate is

$key == old(key) - 1 \ \&\& \ result == old(key)$

and it is easy to see that it does not refine the postcondition of `IncCounter.generate`.

c. The abstract parent class can be declared using a helper pure method `boolean used(int)`. Informally, the meaning of the helper method is:

$x \text{ has been used as a key before} \Rightarrow used(x)$

Furthermore, the correctness of the class relies on the property that once a number is used, it never becomes unused again. This can be expressed with a two-state history constraint.

The definitions of the classes follow:

```
abstract class GenerateUniqueKey
{
  abstract boolean used(int);

  //constraint  $\forall x:int \mid old(used(x)) \Rightarrow used(x)$ 

  //ensures  $!old(used(result)) \ \&\& \ used(result)$ 
  abstract int generate ();
}

class IncCounter // ... and similarly for DecCounter
{
  int key;
  IncCounter () { key = 0; }

  boolean used (int x)
  { return x < key; }

  //ensures  $key == old(key)+1 \ \&\& \ result == old(key)$ 
  int generate () { return key++; }
}
```