
CSE 331
Software Design & Implementation

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ADT Implementation: Abstraction Functions

Specifying an ADT

Different types of methods:

1. **creators**
2. **observers**
3. **producers**
4. **mutators** (if mutable)

Described in terms of how they change the **abstract state**

- abstract description of what the object means
- specs have no information about concrete representation
 - leaves us free to change those in the future

IntSet, a mutable data type

```
// Overview: An IntSet is a mutable,  
// unbounded set of integers.  A typical  
// IntSet is { x1, ..., xn }.  
class IntSet {
```

(Note: Javadoc is highly simplified...)

IntSet: mutators

```
// modifies: this
// effects:  this = this U {x}
public void add(int x)
```

```
// modifies: this
// effects:  this = this - {x}
public void remove(int x)
```

Specifications written in terms of how the **abstract state** changes

Useful Building Blocks for Abstract States

Some useful “math” concepts for describing states abstractly

- numbers
- characters
- lists
- sets
- tuples (fixed length)
- objects
 - parts are named, not numbered (as in tuples)
 - e.g. {chars: “protected”, color: 3}

Implementing a Data Abstraction (ADT)

To implement an ADT:

- select the representation of instances
- implement operations using the chosen representation

Choose a representation so that:

- it is possible to implement required operations
- the most frequently used operations are efficient / simple / ...
 - abstraction allows the rep to change later
 - almost always better to start simple

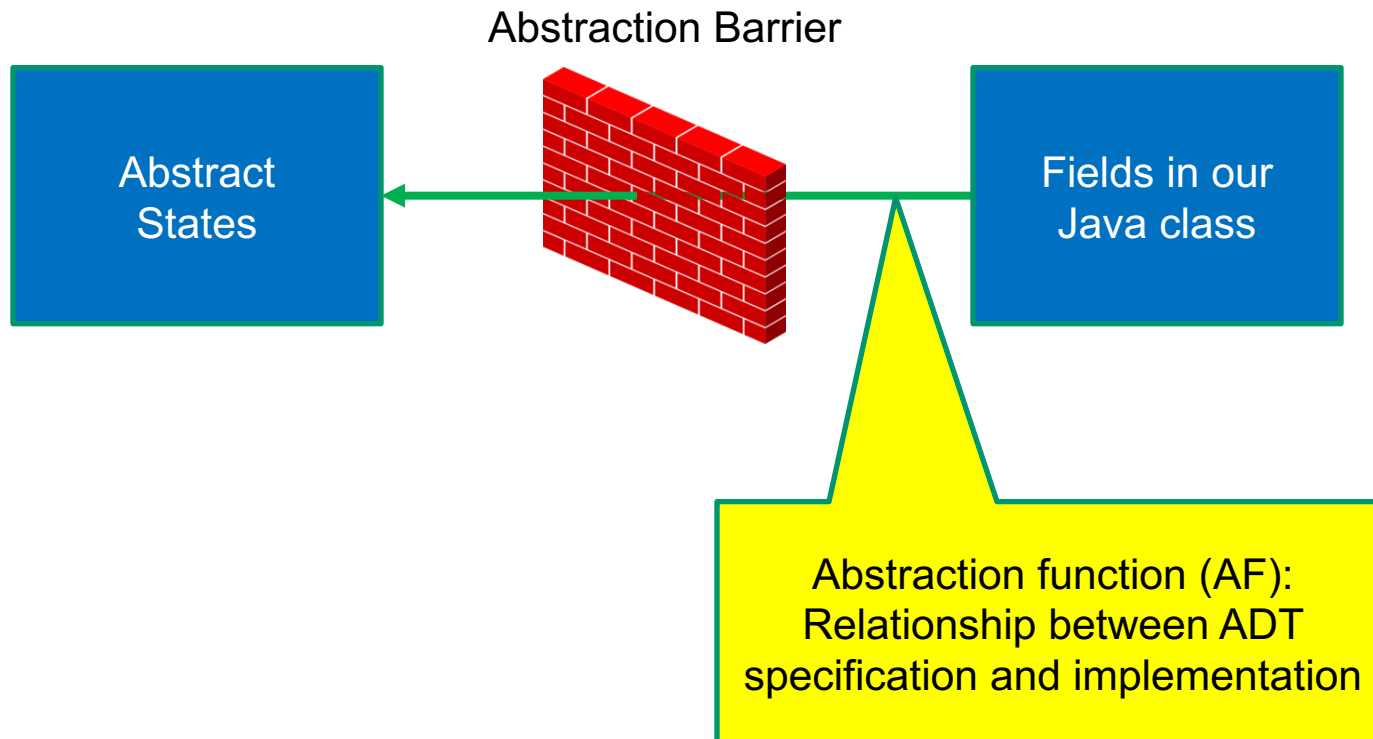
Use **reasoning** to verify the operations are correct

- specs are written in terms of *abstract states* not *actual fields*
- two intellectual tools are helpful for this...

Data abstraction outline

ADT specification

ADT implementation



Connecting implementations to specs

For implementers / debuggers / maintainers of the implementation:

Abstraction Function: maps Object \rightarrow abstract state

- says what the data structure *means* in vocabulary of the ADT
- maps the fields to the abstract state they represent
 - can check that the abstract value after each method meets the postcondition described in the specification

Representation Invariant: (next lecture)

Example: Circle

```
/** Represents a mutable circle in the plane. For example,  
 * it can be a circle with center (0,0) and radius 1. */  
public class Circle {  
  
    // Abstraction function:  
    // AF(this) = a circle with center at this.center  
    //   and radius this.rad  
    private Point center;  
    private double rad;  
  
    // ...  
  
}
```

Example: Circle 2

```
/** Represents a mutable circle in the plane. For example,  
 * it can be a circle with center (0,0) and radius 1. */  
public class Circle {  
  
    // Abstraction function:  
    // AF(this) = a circle with center at this.center  
    //   and radius this.center.distanceTo(this.edge)  
    private Point center, edge;  
  
    // ...  
  
}
```

Example: Polynomial

```
/** An immutable polynomial with integer coefficients.
 * Examples include 0, 2x, and x + 3x^2 + 5x. */
public class IntPoly {

    // Abstraction function:
    // AF(this) = sum of coeffs[i] * x^i
    //           for i = 0 .. coeffs.length-1
    private final int[] coeffs;

    // ...

}
```

Example: Polynomial 2

```
/** An immutable polynomial with integer coefficients.  
 * Examples include 0, 2x, and x + 3x^2 + 5x. */  
public class IntPoly {  
  
    // Abstraction function:  
    // AF(this) = sum of monomials in this.terms  
    private final List<IntTerm> terms;  
  
    // ...  
  
}
```

The abstraction function

- Purely conceptual (not a Java function)
- Allows us to check correctness
 - use reasoning to show that the method leaves the abstract state such that it satisfies the postcondition

Example: IntDeque

// List that only allows insert/remove at ends.



push



unshift



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// List that only allows insert/remove at ends.



push + unshift



push + unshift

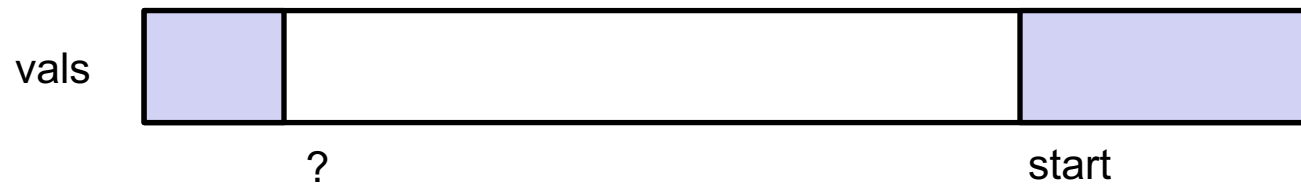


push + unshift



Example: IntDeque

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```



Example: IntDeque

```
/** List that only allows insert/remove at ends. */
public class IntDeque {

    // AF(this) =
    //   vals[start..start+len-1]      if start+len < vals.length
    //   vals[start..] + vals[0..?]    otherwise
    private int[] vals;
    private int start, len;

    // Creates an empty list.
    public IntDeque() {
        vals = new int[3];
        start = len = 0;
    }
}
```

← AF(this) = vals[0..-1] = []

Example: IntDeque

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public class IntDeque {

    // AF(this) =
    //   vals[start..start+len-1]      if start+len < vals.length
    //   vals[start..] + vals[0..?]    otherwise
    private int[] vals;
    private int start, len;

    // ...

    // @returns length of the list
    public int getLength() {
        return len;
    }
}
```

Example: IntDeque

```
// List that only allows insert/remove at ends.
```



start

start+len

#items = len



k

start

vals.length

#items = vals.length - start + k

#items = len iff $k = \text{len} - (\text{vals.length} - \text{start})$

Example: IntDeque

```
/** List that only allows insert/remove at ends. */
public class IntDeque {

    // AF(this) =
    //   vals[start..start+len-1]      if start+len < vals.length
    //   vals[start..] + vals[0..len-(vals.length-start)-1]  o.w.
    private int[] vals;
    private int start, len;

    // ...

    // @returns length of the list
    public int getLength() {
        return len;
    }
}
```

Example: IntDeque

```
/** List that only allows insert/remove at ends. */  
public class IntDeque {  
  
    // ...  
  
    // @requires 0 <= i < length  
    // @returns this[i]  
    public int get(int i) { ... }
```

Example: IntDeque

// List that only allows insert/remove at ends.



unshift



Example: IntDeque

```
// AF(this) =  
//   vals[start..start+len-1]           if start+len < vals.length  
//   vals[start..] + vals[0..len-(vals.length-start)-1]   o.w.  
  
// @requires 0 < list length  
// @returns value at the front of the list  
// @modifies this  
// @effects first element of list is removed  
public int unshift() {  
    int val = get(0);  
    if (start + 1 < vals.length)  
        start += 1;  
    else  
        start = 0;  
    len -= 1;  
    return val;  
}
```

IntDeque.java


```
/** @requires 0 <= index < length
 * @returns this[index] */
public int get(int index) {
    if (start + index < vals.length) {
        return vals[start + index];
    } else {
        return vals[start + index - vals.length];
    }
}

/** @modifies this
 * @effects this is unchanged and len < vals.length */
private void ensureMoreSpace() {
```

Example: IntDeque

```
// AF(this) =
//   vals[start..start+len-1]           if start+len < vals.length
//   vals[start..] + vals[0..len-(vals.length-start)-1]   o.w.

// @modifies this
// @effects insert val at the beginning of this
//           (i.e., this = [va.] + this)
public int shift(int val) {
    ensureMoreSpace();
    if (start + 1 < vals.length)
        start -= 1;
    else
        start = len - 1;
    len += 1;
    vals[start] = val;
}
```