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Eiffel Basics

1. All parts of this question are independent of each other.

(a) The following Eiffel code does not compile, which line (or lines)? Why?

```

1 class ACCOUNT
2   balance: INTEGER
3   deposit (a: INTEGER)
4     -- Deposit amount 'a' into current account.
5     do
6       balance = balance + a
7     ensure
8       balance_decreased: balance := old balance + a
9     end
10 end

```

Solution: Line 6: assignment (`:=`) should be used for implementation.
Line 8: equality (`=`) should be used for contracts.

[of 4 points]

(b) The following Eiffel code does not compile, which line (or lines)? Why?

```

1 class ACCOUNT
2   balance: INTEGER
3   withdraw (a: INTEGER)
4     -- Withdraw amount 'a' from current account.
5     require
6       enough_balance: old balance - a >= 0
7     do
8       balance = old balance - a
9     end
10 end

```

Solution: Lines 6 and 8: the `old` keyword is can only appear in postconditions.

[of 4 points]

(c) The following Eiffel code does not compile, which line (or lines)? Why?

```

1 class ACCOUNT
2   balance: INTEGER
3   do -- Implementation is omitted here.
4   end
5   withdraw (a: INTEGER)
6     -- Withdraw amount 'a' from current account.
7     do
8       balance := balance - a
9     ensure

```

```

10     balance = old balance - a
11     end
12 end

```

Solution: Line 8: A query (as opposed to an attribute) is not writable.

[of 4 points]

- (d) The following Eiffel code implements a Boolean query that can be used as a test case. It compiles and returns *True*, but it is potentially problematic, why? How do you fix it?

```

1 test_account_withdraw: BOOLEAN
2   local
3     acc: ACCOUNT
4   do
5     -- initialize an account with credit of 10 dollars
6     create acc.make (10)
7     Result := acc.balance = 0 and acc.credit = 10
8
9     -- withdraw 9 dollars from current account
10    acc.withdraw (9)
11    Result := acc.balance = -9 and acc.credit = 10
12  end

```

Solution: The effect of the first assignment to **Result** in Line 7 is ignored.
Fix: Insert a **check Result end** assertion instruction after line 7.

[of 4 points]

- (e) The following Eiffel code implements a command which withdraws from an account whose current balance is greater than the argument amount *a*. It compiles, but it is problematic, which line? Why? How do you fix it?

Note: You do *not* need to worry about the postcondition for this command.

```

1 class BANK
2   accounts: ARRAY[ACCOUNT]
3   withdraw_from (i: INTEGER; a: INTEGER)
4     -- Withdraw amount 'a' from account stored as the 'i'th item in 'accounts'.
5     require
6       positive_amount: a > 0
7       enough_balance: accounts.valid_index (i) and accounts [i].balance > a
8     do
9       accounts[i].withdraw (a)
10    end
11 end

```

Solution: Line 7: if argument i happens to be an invalid index, then an exception will occur when evaluating this precondition.
 Fix: Replace **and** with **and then** for the short-circuit effect.

[of 4 points]

Writing Unit Tests for Contracts

2. Consider the following Eiffel code for: **1)** the contract view of the *ACCOUNT* class; and **2)** its (client) test class:

```
class ACCOUNT
create make
feature
  balance: INTEGER
  credit: INTEGER
  make (new_credit: INTEGER)
  ensure
    balance = 0 and credit = new_credit
  withdraw (a: INTEGER)
    -- Withdraw amount 'a'.
  require
    positive_amount: a > 0
    enough_balance: balance + credit - a >= 0
  ensure
    balance = old balance - a and credit = old credit
invariant
  positive_credit: credit > 0
  balance_not_too_low: balance + credit >= 0
end
```

```
class
  TEST_ACCOUNT
inherit
  ES_TEST
create
  make
feature
  make
  do
    -- Add tests here.
  end
feature
  -- Define test features here.
end
```

You can assume that the two invariant constraints are correct: the credit is always positive, and the balance may go negative, provided that it is not smaller than $-credit$ (i.e., $0 - credit$).

- (a) You are required to write a test case which verifies that the current precondition for the *withdraw* feature in class *ACCOUNT* is not too weak. Consider the following use case: say an account object *acc* is created with an initial credit value of 10, and a subsequent call of *acc.withdraw(11)* should cause a precondition violation with the corresponding tag. You have **two** tasks (both written in valid Eiffel syntax): **1)** Convert this use case to a feature *test_withdraw_precondition_not_too_weak*; and **2)** Write the line of code, appearing in the *make* feature of class *TEST_ACCOUNT*, that adds this feature as a test case.

Hint: You should first decide whether to implement this feature as a command or a query.

Solution:

```
test_withdraw_precondition_not_too_weak
  local
```

```

    acc: ACCOUNT
  do
    create acc.make (10)
    acc.withdraw (11)
  end
add_violation_case_with_tag (
  "enough_balance", agent test_withdraw_precondition_not_too_weak)

```

[of 5 points]

- (b) You are required to write a test case which verifies that the current precondition for the *withdraw* feature in class *ACCOUNT* is not too strong. Consider the following use case: say an account object *acc* is created with an initial credit value of 10, and a subsequent call of *acc.withdraw*(10) should *not* cause any precondition violations.

You have **two** tasks (both written in valid Eiffel syntax): **1**) Convert this use case to a feature *test_withdraw_precondition_not_too_strong*; and **2**) Write the line of code, appearing in the *make* feature of class *TEST_ACCOUNT*, that adds this feature as a test case.

Hint: You should first decide whether to implement this feature as a command or a query.

Solution:

```

test_withdraw_precondition_not_too_strong: BOOLEAN
  local
    acc: ACCOUNT
  do
    create acc.make (10)
    acc.withdraw (10)
    Result := acc.balance = -10 and acc.credit = 10
  end
add_boolean_case (agent test_withdraw_precondition_not_too_strong)

```

[of 5 points]

Information Hiding and the Iterator Pattern

3. Consider the following three classes:

```
class
  SHOP
feature
  cart: CART
  checkout: INTEGER
  do
    from
      orders.start
    until
      orders.after
    do
      Result := Result +
        cart.orders.item.price *
        cart.orders.item.quantity
      orders.forth
    end
  end
end
```

```
class
  CART
feature
  orders: LINKED_LIST [ORDER]
end
```

```
class
  ORDER
feature
  product_name: STRING
  price: INTEGER
  quantity: INTEGER
end
```

Each shop object contains a cart of orders. The *checkout* feature calculates the total amount that is due for the current cart of orders.

(a) The above design violates the principle of **information hiding**. How? Your answer should clearly explain **all** of the following:

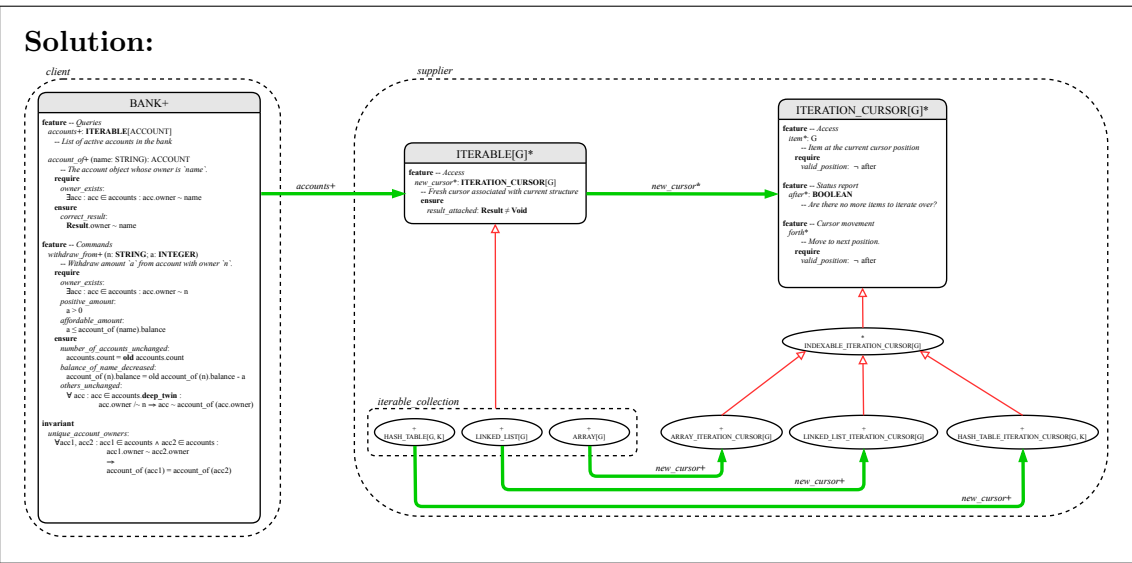
- who the supplier is and who the client is;
- the problem on the supplier side; and
- the problem on the client side.

Solution: The client is the *SHOP* class and the supplier is the *CART* class. The problem of the supplier is that it does not hide the implementation secret (i.e., *orders* as a linked list) that is subject to changes. The problem of the client is that its code relies on the part of supplier that is subject to changes (i.e., *start*, *after*, and *forth* features from *LINKED_LIST*).

[of 5 points]

(b) One way to resolve the above problem is to apply the iterator pattern to it. Your task is to draw a BON diagram detailing the new design after the iterator pattern is implemented. Your diagram must include **all** of the following:

- all necessary deferred and effective classes and features;
- all necessary client-supplier and inheritance relations;
- an *expanded* view of the *SHOP* class showing how the *checkout* feature is changed.



[of 10 points]

Genericity: Design

4. Figure 1 shows the design (omitting contracts) of a book that stores people’s records of any types, implemented using two arrays. It is assumed that the stored records are indexed by the set of names (i.e., an existing name maps to a single record, whereas an existing record might be associated with multiple names).

Consider the following Eiffel test case for the above design of book (Figure 1). The feature *day_of_the_week* is a query defined in the *DATE* class, which returns an integer value, ranging

```

class BOOK
create make
feature
  make
    -- Initialize an empty book.
  add (r: ANY; n: STRING)
    -- Add an entry to the book.
  get (n: STRING): ANY
    -- The associated record of person with name 'n'.
  find (r: ANY): ARRAY[STRING]
    -- Names of people whose associated records are equal to 'r'.
feature {NONE} -- Implementation
  names: ARRAY[STRING]
  records: ARRAY[ANY]
end

```

Figure 1: Design of A Book of Any Records

from 1 to 7, representing the current date's day of the week (1 for Sunday, 7 for Saturday, and so on).

```

1 test_book: BOOLEAN
2 local
3   b: BOOK
4   birthday: DATE
5   phone_number: STRING
6 do
7   create b.make
8   create phone_number.make_from_string ("416-967-1010")
9   b.add (phone_number, "Jared")
10  create birthday.make (1975, 4, 10)
11  b.add (birthday, "David")
12  Result := b.get ("David").day_of_the_week = 4
13 end

```

Figure 2: A test case for the book

- (a) The above Eiffel code (Figure 2) does not compile, which line? Why?

Solution: Line 12: feature *get* returns a value of type *ANY*, but is used as a *DATE*.

[of 3 points]

- (b) Write, in valid Eiffel syntax, the fix for making the identified line in part (a) compile.
Hint: Consider an explicit *cast* via the *attached* expression in Eiffel.

Solution:

```
if attached {DATE} b.get ("David") as david_birthday then
  Result := david_birthday.day_of_the_week = 4
end
```

[of 3 points]

- (c) Improve the design shown in Figure 1 (page8) by creating a new class *GENERIC_BOOK*. This new class declares a generic parameter for the type of stored records. In your answer, show both the class declaration and feature signatures (do not worry about implementations or contracts).

Solution:

```
class GENERIC_BOOK[G]
feature
  make
  add (r: G; n: STRING)
  get (n: STRING): G
  find (r: G): ARRAY[STRING]
feature {NONE} -- Implementation
  names: ARRAY[STRING]
  records: ARRAY[G]
end
```

[of 3 points]

- (d) Consider the above test case in Figure 2 (page8). Say the client decides to have the local variable *b* as a book that stores dates only. How should the declaration in Line 3 be changed using a generic book?

Solution:

```
b: GENERIC_BOOK[DATE]
```

[of 3 points]

- (e) After the fix from part (d) on Figure 2 (page8), the code does not compile, which line? Why?

Solution: Line 8: from the declaration in Line 3, the book is constrained to store dates only.

[of 3 points]

Genericity: Contracts and Implementations

5. All parts of this question are related to your new design of a generic book from Question 4 (c).

Contracts

- (a) An invariant for the *GENERIC_BOOK* class is formally specified as:

$$\forall i, j : \text{INTEGER} \mid \\ \text{names.valid_index}(i) \wedge \text{names.valid_index}(j) \bullet \\ \text{names}[i] \sim \text{names}[j] \Rightarrow i = j$$

That is, there are no duplicates of strings stored in the *names* array (since book records are indexed by string names). Convert this mathematical expression to valid Eiffel using the *across* syntax. **Hints:** Consider nesting two *across* expressions, and using the `|..|` operator to create *iterable* integer interval expressions.

Solution:

```
across names.lower |..| names.upper as cursor_i all
  across names.lower |..| names.upper as cursor_j all
    names[cursor_i.item] = names[cursor_j.item]
    implies cursor_i.item = cursor_j.item
  end
end
```

[of 10 points]

- (b) The precondition of feature *add(r, n)* is formally specified as:

$$\forall \text{name} : \text{STRING} \mid \text{name} \in \text{names} \bullet \neg (\text{name} \sim n)$$

That is, each string in the *names* array is not equal to the argument name *n* to be added. Convert this mathematical expression to valid Eiffel using the *across* syntax.

Solution:

```
across names as cursor all cursor.item /~ n end
```

[of 3 points]

- (c) The postcondition of feature *add(r, n)* asserts that: **1)** sizes of the *names* and *records* arrays are both incremented by one; and **2)** the argument name *n* and record *r* are inserted

to the end of the *names* array and *records* array, respectively. Write this postcondition in valid Eiffel syntax.

Hint: Consider using the *count*, *lower*, and/or *upper* features from the *ARRAY* class.

Solution:

```
names.count = old names.count + 1
records.count = old records.count + 1
names[names.upper] ~ n
records[dates.upper] ~ r
```

[of 4 points]

- (d) The precondition of feature *get(n)* is formally specified as:

$$\exists \textit{name} : \textit{STRING} \mid \textit{name} \in \textit{names} \bullet \textit{name} \sim n$$

That is, there exists a string in the *names* array that is equal to the argument name *n*. Convert this mathematical expression to valid Eiffel using the *across* syntax.

Solution:

```
across names as cursor some cursor.item ~ n end
```

[of 3 points]

- (e) The postcondition of feature *find(r)* asserts that if the argument record *r* exists in the book, then the returned array is non-empty. Convert this into valid Eiffel syntax.

Hints: Do not use the **if...then...else...end** instruction to write this contract; instead, consider using a combination of the logical negation and implication, and the *is_empty* and *has* features from the *ARRAY* class.

Solution:

```
records.has (r) implies not Result.is_empty
```

[of 3 points]

- (f) Since both features *get(n)* and *find(r)* are queries, they should **not** modify the state of the current account. So they have the same postcondition which asserts that the *pre-state* values of the two implementation arrays *names* and *records* are equal to their *post-state* values. Write these two constraints in valid Eiffel syntax.

Solution:

```
names ~ old names.deep_twin
records ~ old records.deep_twin
```

[of 6 points]

Implementations

- (g) Write in valid Eiffel syntax the implementation for the *add* feature. Start your answer with the signature of *add*. **Hints:** Write your implementation in terms of the two array attributes *names* and *dates*. You may declare local variables if necessary. Consider using the *force(v: G; i: INTEGER)* or *put(v: G; i: INTEGER)* feature from the *ARRAY* class.

Solution:

```
add(r: G; n: STRING)
do
    names.force (n, names.upper + 1)
    records.force (r, records.upper + 1)
end
```

[of 4 points]

- (h) Write in valid Eiffel syntax the implementation for the *find* feature. Start your answer with the signature of *find*. **Hints:** Write your implementation in terms of the two array attributes *names* and *dates*. You may declare local variables if necessary. Consider using the *force(v: G; i: INTEGER)* or *put(v: G; i: INTEGER)* feature from the *ARRAY* class.

Solution:

```
find(r: G): ARRAY[STRING]
local
    i: INTEGER
do
    create Result.make_empty
    from
        i := records.lower
    until
        i > records.upper
    loop
        if records[i] ~ r then
            Result.force (names[i], Result.upper + 1)
        end
        i := i + 1
    end
end
```

[of 7 points]