

COMP 401

ASSERTIONS

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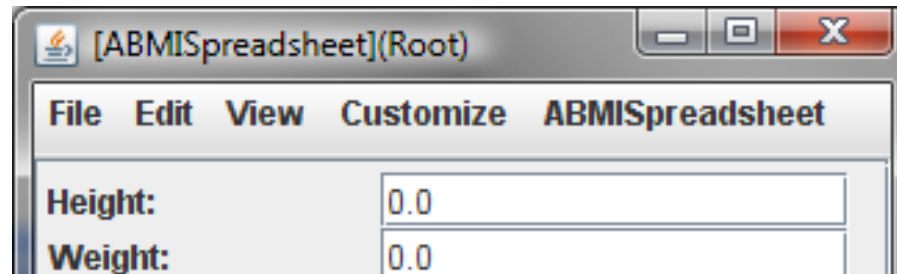


PREREQUISITE

- Documentation Assertions
- Composite Visitors
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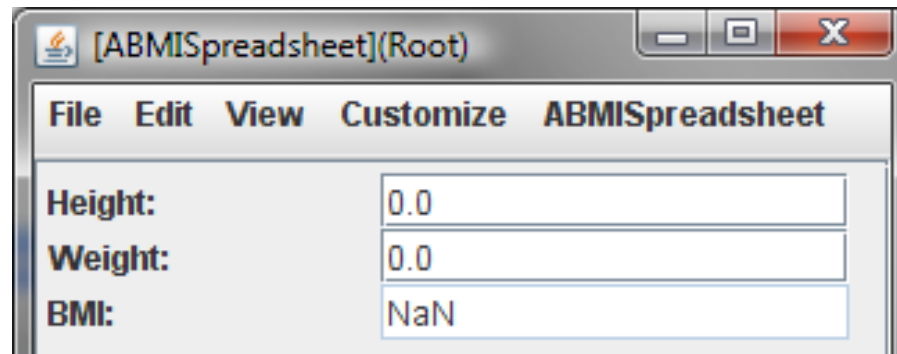


PREVENTING INVALID BMI



The screenshot shows a window titled "[ABMISpreadsheet](Root)" with a menu bar containing "File", "Edit", "View", "Customize", and "ABMISpreadsheet". Below the menu bar, there are two input fields. The first is labeled "Height:" and contains the value "0.0". The second is labeled "Weight:" and also contains the value "0.0".

| | |
|---------|-----|
| Height: | 0.0 |
| Weight: | 0.0 |



The screenshot shows the same window as above, but with an additional input field. The "Height:" field still contains "0.0" and the "Weight:" field still contains "0.0". A new field labeled "BMI:" is added below the weight field, containing the value "NaN".

| | |
|---------|-----|
| Height: | 0.0 |
| Weight: | 0.0 |
| BMI: | NaN |



HOW SHOULD WE CHANGE THE CLASS?

```
public class ABMISpreadsheet {  
    double height, weight;  
  
    public ABMISpreadsheet(  
        double theInitialHeight, double theInitialWeight) {  
        setHeight ( theInitialHeight);  
        setWeight( theInitialWeight);  
    }  
  
    public double getHeight() { return height; }  
    public void setHeight(double newHeight) { height = newHeight; }  
    public double getWeight() { return weight; }  
    public void setWeight(double newWeight) { weight = newWeight; }  
    public double getBMI() { return weight/(height*height); }  
}
```



CHECKING PRECONDITIONS

```
public class ABMISpreadsheet {  
    double height, weight;  
  
    public ABMISpreadsheet(  
        double theInitialHeight, double theInitialWeight) {  
        setHeight ( theInitialHeight);  
        setWeight( theInitialWeight);  
    }  
    ...  
    public boolean preGetBMI() {  
        return weight > 0 && height > 0;  
    }  
  
    public double getBMI() {  
        assert preGetBMI();  
        return weight/(height*height);  
    }  
}
```



JAVA ASSERTIONS/PRE(POST)CONDITIONS

- **assert** <Boolean Expression>
- **assert** <Boolean Expression>: <Value>
- Statement can be inserted anywhere to state that some condition should be true
- If condition is false, Java throws `AssertionError`, which may be caught by programmer code.
- If uncaught, depending on which **assert** used:
 - generic message saying assertion failed printed
 - `<Value>.toString()` printed
- An assertion made at the beginning/end of a statement block (method, loop, if ..) is called its precondition/postcondition



ASSERTIONS

- Declare some property of the program
 - Before getBMI() is called, height and weight should be greater than 0



COMPILE TIME VS. RUNTIME PROPERTIES

- Some assertions are language-supported
 - Compile time
 - `String s = nextElement()`
 - `@Override`
 - Runtime
 - `((String) nextElement())`
 - `@util.annotations.ObserverRegisterer(util.annotations.ObserverTypes.VECTOR_LISTENER)`
`addVectorListener(VectorListener)`
- We will consider runtime properties.
- Casting is application-independent.



APPLICATION-INDEPENDENT VS. DEPENDENT

- Language can provide us with fixed number of application-independent assertions.
- Cannot handle
 - First character of String is a letter.
 - Letter concept not burnt into language.
 - Class Character defines it
 - Innumerable assertions about letters possible
 - Second elements of string is letter.
 - Third element of string is letter.
- Need mechanism to express arbitrary assertions.
- Originally Java had no assertions.
- In 1.4, assertions were added



WHY LANGUAGE SUPPORT

- Can always define a library with `assert(<Boolean Expression>)` method that throws a special exception denoting assertion error.
- Assertions can be dynamically turned on or off for package or Class
 - `java -ea assignment11.MainClass -da bus.uigen...`

```
public void myAssert (boolean boolExp, String message)
throws AssertionError {
    if (!boolExp) throw new AssertionError (message);
}
```

ERROR VS. EXCEPTION

- Java assertion failure results in `AssertionError`
- Subclass of `Error` rather than `RuntimeException`
- Reasoning:
 - Convention dictates that `Exception` should be caught
 - Should “discourage programmers from attempting to recover from assertion failures.”
 - Might do custom reporting, mail error report etc.
 - `AssertionError` is a subclass of `Throwable` and can indeed be caught
 - Decision was controversial

ASSERTION USES

- Potentially useful for
 - specification
 - testing
 - formal correctness
 - documentation
 - user-interface automation

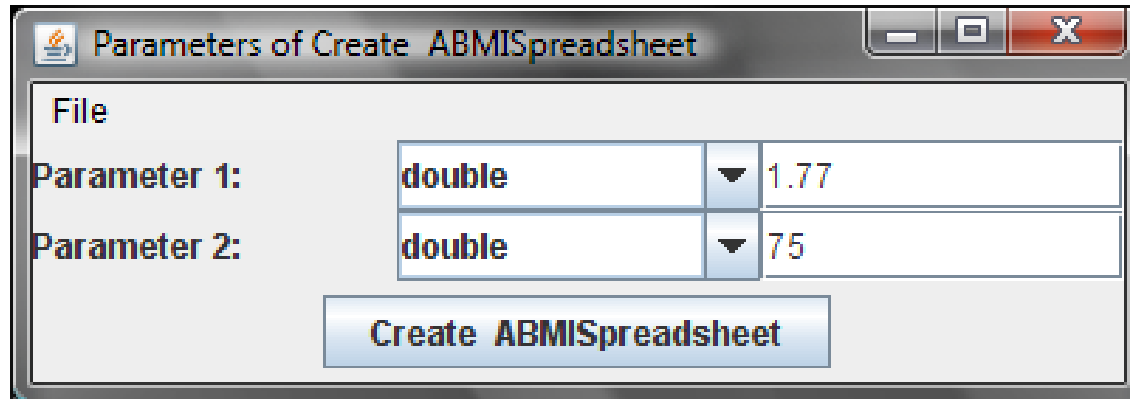
PRECONDITIONS CONVENTIONS

```
public class ABMISpreadsheet {  
    double height, weight;  
  
    public ABMISpreadsheet(  
        double theInitialHeight, double theInitialWeight) {  
        setHeight ( theInitialHeight);  
        setWeight( theInitialWeight);  
    }  
    ...  
    public boolean preGetBMI() {  
        return weight > 0 && height > 0;  
    }  
  
    public double getBMI() {  
        assert (preGetBMI());  
        return weight/(height*height);  
    }  
}
```

Precondition of method
M() is preM()

ObjectEditor does not
call M() if preM() is
false.

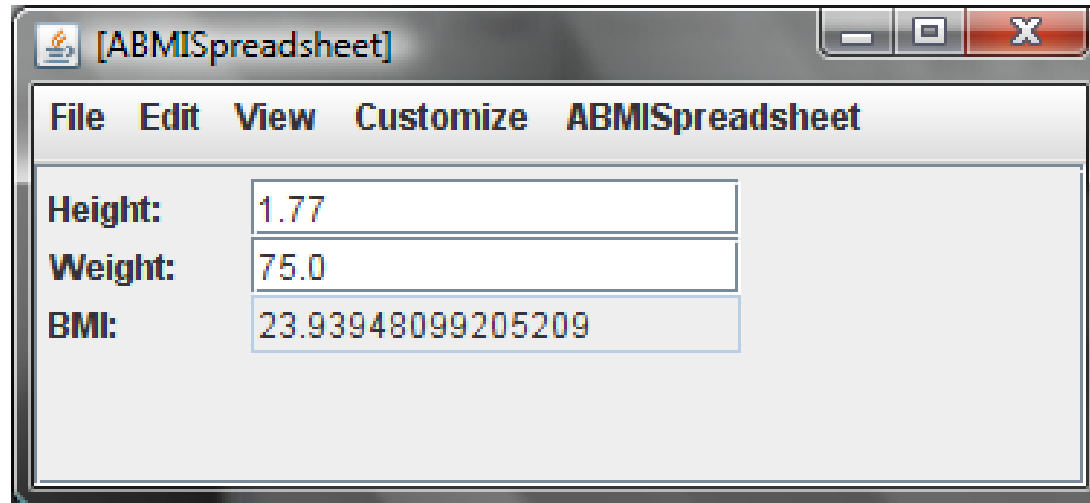
OBJECTEDITOR USES PRECONDITIONS



A dialog box titled "Parameters of Create ABMISpreadsheet" with standard Windows window controls. It contains a "File" section with two parameters. "Parameter 1:" is set to "double" with a dropdown arrow and a value of "1.77". "Parameter 2:" is also set to "double" with a dropdown arrow and a value of "75". A "Create ABMISpreadsheet" button is at the bottom.

| Parameter | Type | Value |
|--------------|--------|-------|
| Parameter 1: | double | 1.77 |
| Parameter 2: | double | 75 |

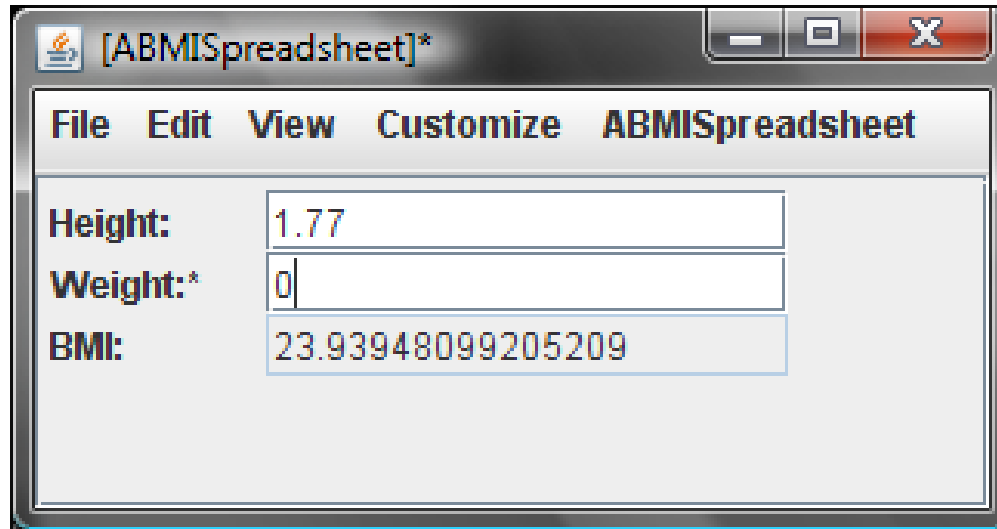
Create ABMISpreadsheet



An application window titled "[ABMISpreadsheet]" with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Customize, ABMISpreadsheet) and standard window controls. It displays three input fields: "Height:" with value "1.77", "Weight:" with value "75.0", and "BMI:" with value "23.93948099205209".

| | |
|---------|-------------------|
| Height: | 1.77 |
| Weight: | 75.0 |
| BMI: | 23.93948099205209 |

OBJECTEDITOR USES PRECONDITION



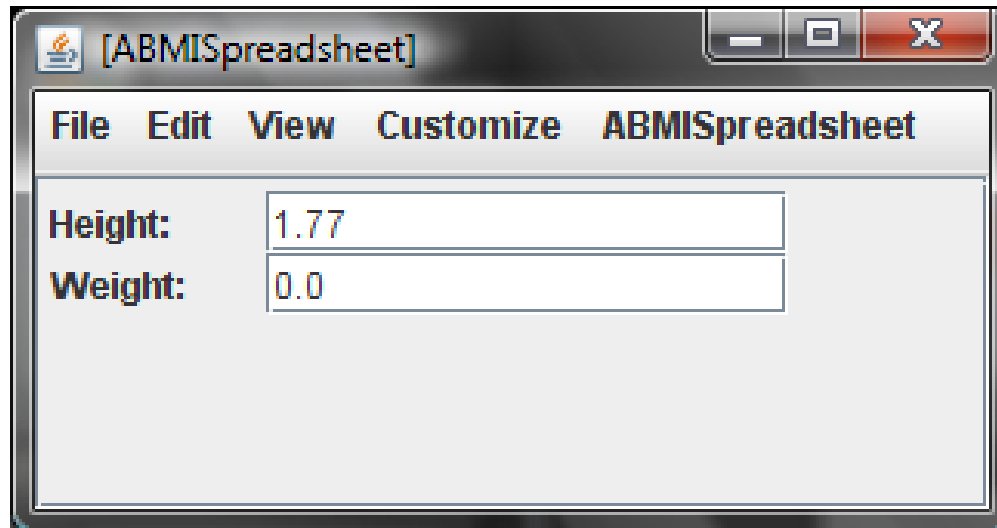
[ABMISpreadsheet]*

File Edit View Customize ABMISpreadsheet

Height: 1.77

Weight:* 0

BMI: 23.93948099205209



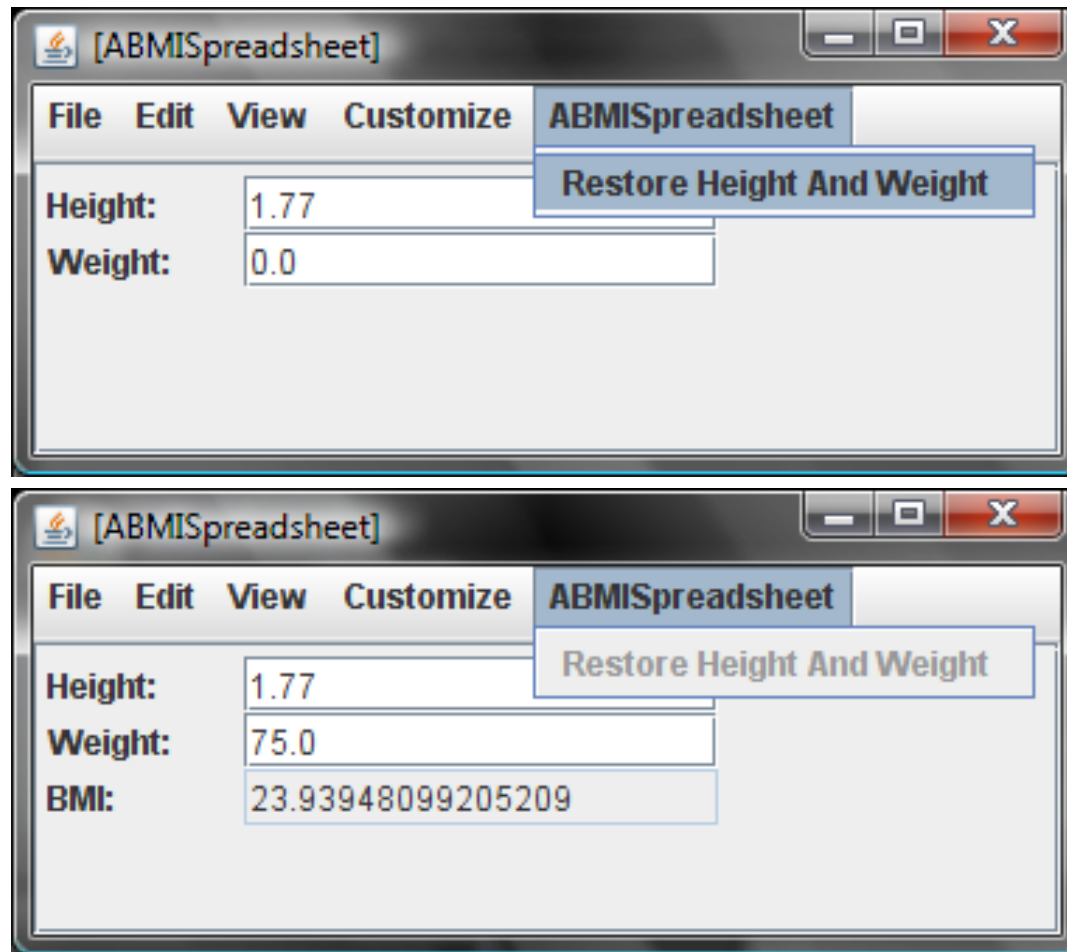
[ABMISpreadsheet]

File Edit View Customize ABMISpreadsheet

Height: 1.77

Weight: 0.0

OBJECTEDITOR USES PRECONDITION



The menu item for a method is disabled when its precondition not met

NEW CLASS

```
public class ABMISpreadsheet {  
    double height, weight;  
    double initialHeight, initialWeight;  
  
    public ABMISpreadsheet(  
        double theInitialHeight, double theInitialWeight) {  
        setHeight ( theInitialHeight);  
        setWeight( theInitialWeight);  
        initialHeight = theInitialHeight;  
        initialWeight = theInitialWeight;  
    }  
    ...  
    public boolean preGetBMI() { return weight > 0 && height > 0; }  
    public double getBMI() {  
        assert preGetBMI(); return weight/(height*height); }  
  
    public boolean preRestoreHeightAndWeight() {  
        return height != initialHeight || weight != initialWeight; }  
    public void restoreHeightAndWeight() {  
        assert preRestoreHeightAndWeight();  
        height = initialHeight;  
        weight = initialWeight;  
    }  
}
```

PRECONDITIONS OF OTHER METHODS

```
public class ABMISpreadsheet {  
    ...  
    public double getWeight() {  
        return weight;  
    }  
    public void setWeight(double newWeight) {  
        weight = newWeight;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

PRECONDITIONS OF OTHER METHODS

```
public class ABMISpreadsheet {  
    ...  
    public double preGetWeight() {return weight > 0;}  
    public double getWeight() {  
        assert preGetWeight();  
        return weight;  
    }  
    public boolean preSetWeight (double newWeight) {  
        return newWeight > 0;  
    }  
    public void setWeight(double newWeight) {  
        assert preSetWeight(newWeight);  
        weight = newWeight;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

Prevention of getter not needed if setter and constructor prevent assignment of illegal values

EQUIVALENT CLASS

```
public class ABMISpreadsheet {  
    ...  
    public double getWeight() {  
        return weight;  
    }  
    public boolean preSetWeight (double newWeight) {  
        return newWeight > 0;  
    }  
    public void setWeight(double newWeight) {  
        assert preSetWeight(newWeight);  
        weight = newWeight;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

Prevention of getter not needed if setter and constructor prevent assignment of illegal values

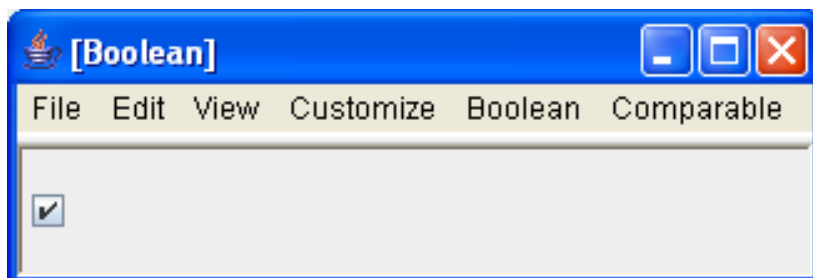
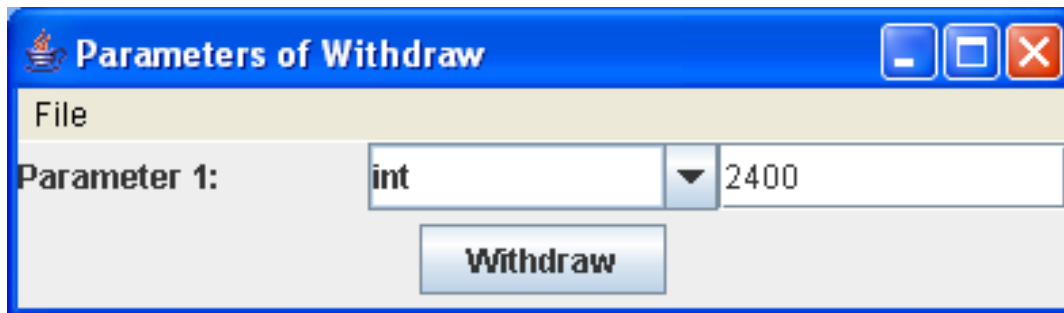
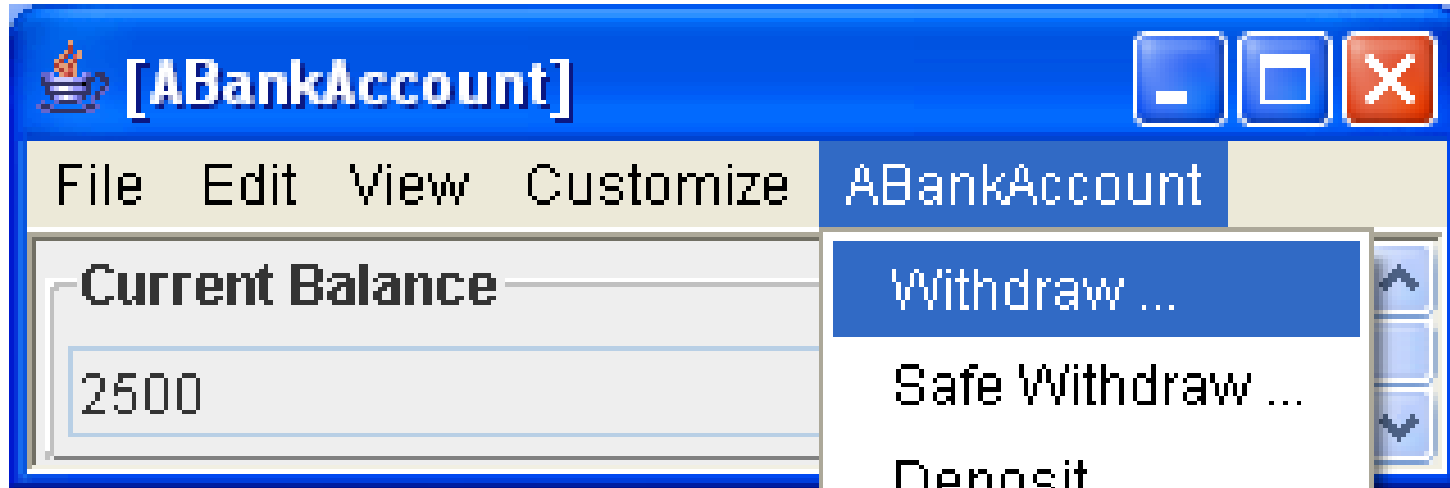
PRECONDITION STYLE RULE

- If there are constraints on the input of a method $M(\dots)$ that may not be met, write a precondition boolean method, $\text{pre}M(\dots)$ for it.
- Call the precondition method in an **assert** statement as the first statement of $M(\dots)$
- To keep examples short, preconditions will not be shown in future examples.

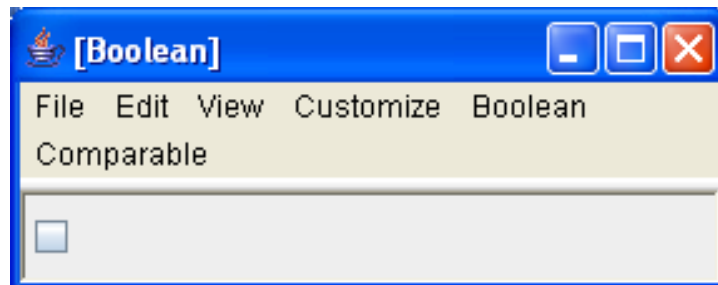
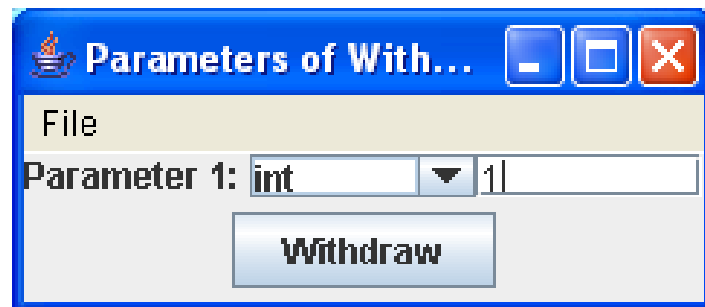
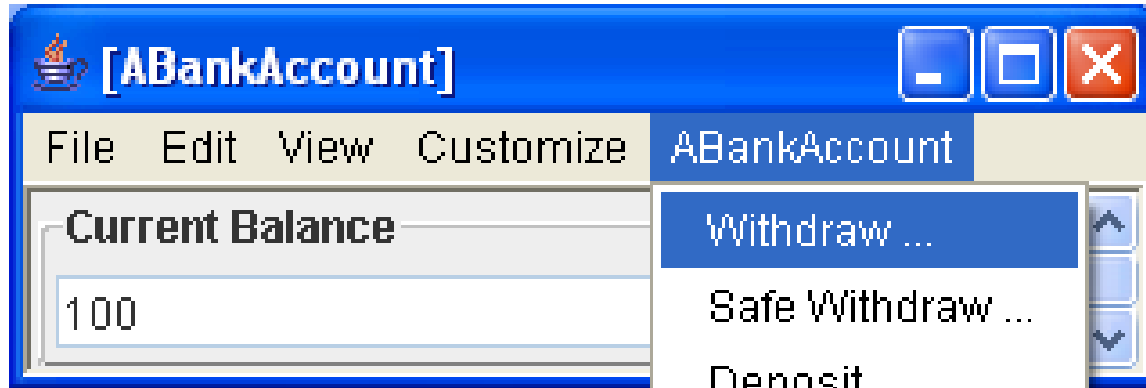
THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST

```
public class ABankAccount implements BankAccount {  
    int currentBalance = 0;  
    public static final int MIN_BALANCE = 100;  
    public ABankAccount (int initialBalance) {  
        currentBalance = initialBalance;  
    }  
    public int getCurrentBalance () {return currentBalance;}  
    public void deposit (int amount) {currentBalance += amount;}  
    public boolean withdraw (int amount) {  
        int minNecessaryBalance = MIN_BALANCE + amount;  
        if (minNecessaryBalance <= currentBalance) {  
            currentBalance -= amount;  
            return true;  
        } else return false;  
    }  
}
```

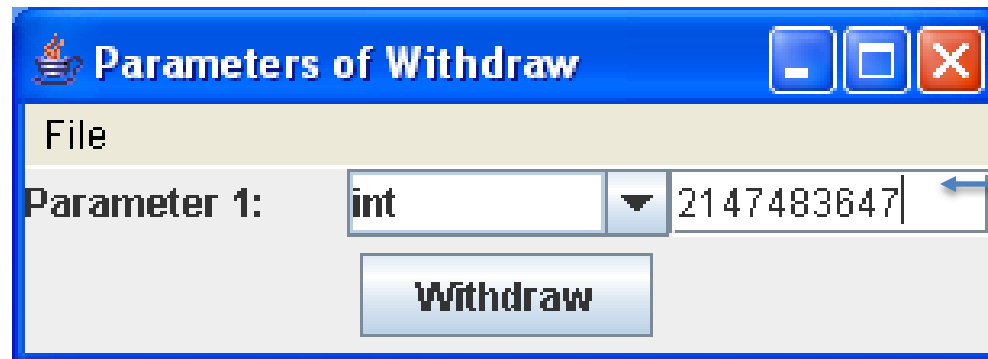
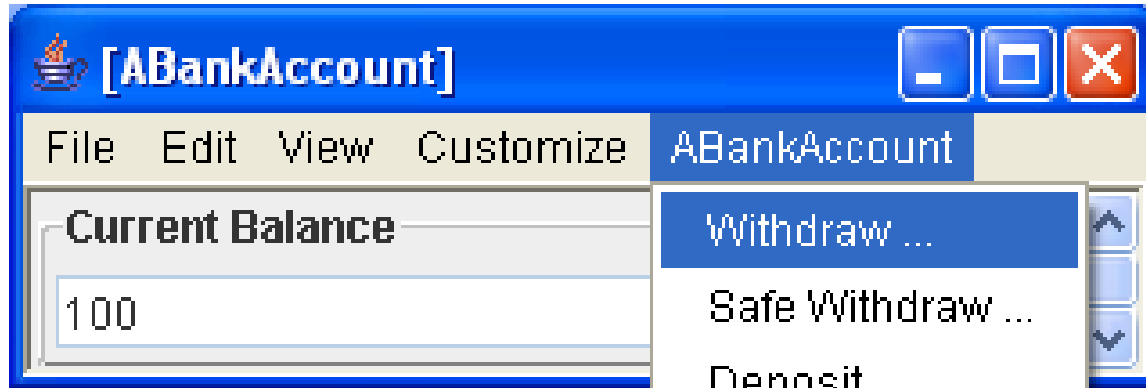
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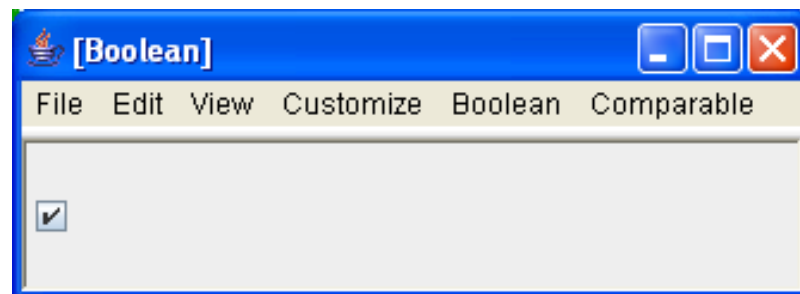
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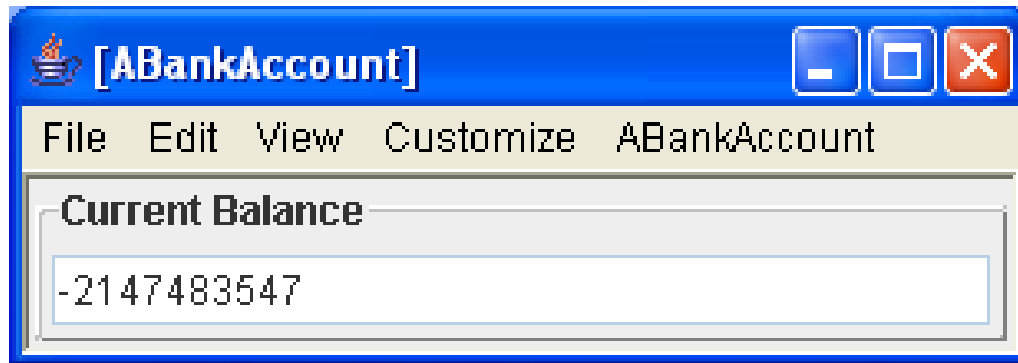
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Integer.MAX_INT



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Debug - ABankAccount.java - Eclipse Platform

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Debug

Variables Breakpoints

this= ABankAccount (id=17)
amount= 2147483647
minNecessaryBalance= -2147483549

ABankAccount.withdraw(int) line: 16
NativeMethodAccessorImpl.invoke0(Method, Object, Object[]) line: not available
NativeMethodAccessorImpl.invoke(Object, Object[]) line: not available
DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.invoke(Object, Object[]) line: not available
Method.invoke(Object, Object...) line: not available
uiMethodInvocationManager.invokeMethod(Object, Method, Object[]) line: 738
BasicCommand.execute() line: 36
HistoryUndoer.execute(Command) line: 51
uiMethodInvocationManager.invokeMethods(uiFrame, Vector, Vector, Vector) li
uiMethodInvocationManager.invokeMethods(uiFrame, Hashtable, Object[], Con
uiMethodInvocationManager.invokeMethod() line: 1162

AString... AString... BankAcc... AnEmplo... ABankAc... ABankAc... ACourse... 18 Outline

```
public boolean withdraw (int amount) {  
    int minNecessaryBalance = MIN_BALANCE + amount;  
    if (minNecessaryBalance <= currentBalance) {  
        currentBalance -= amount;  
        return true;  
    }  
    else return false;  
}  
  
public int getCurrentBalance () {  
    return currentBalance;  
}
```

import declarations
assertions.AnAssert
bus.uigen.ObjectEd
count
rentBalance : int
MIN_BALANCE : int
BankAccount(int)
deposit(int)
withdraw(int)
getCurrentBalance()
safeWithdraw(int)

Most significant bit of positive
(negative) numbers is 0(1)

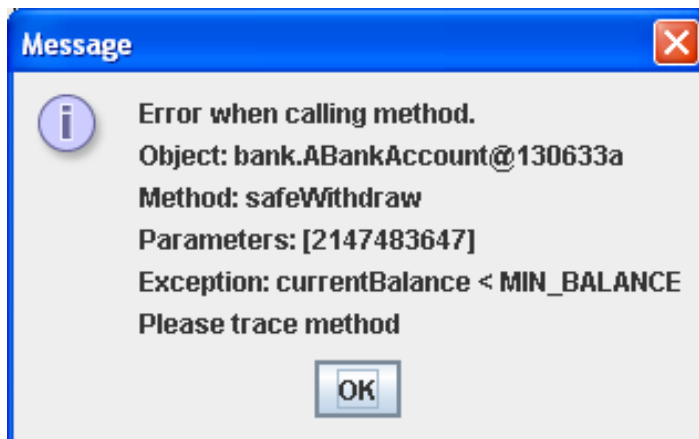
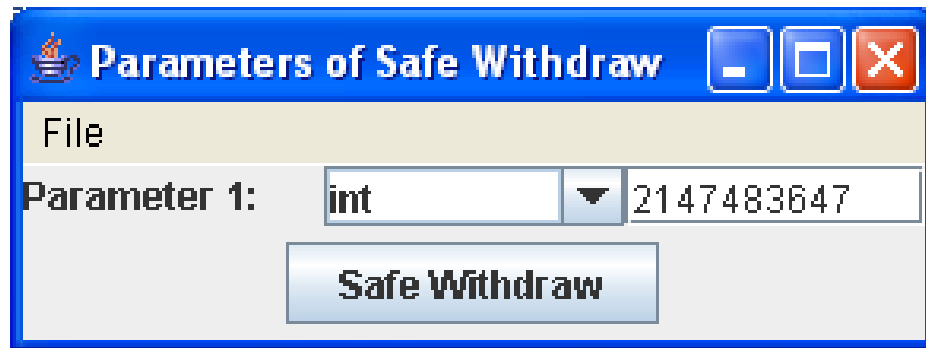
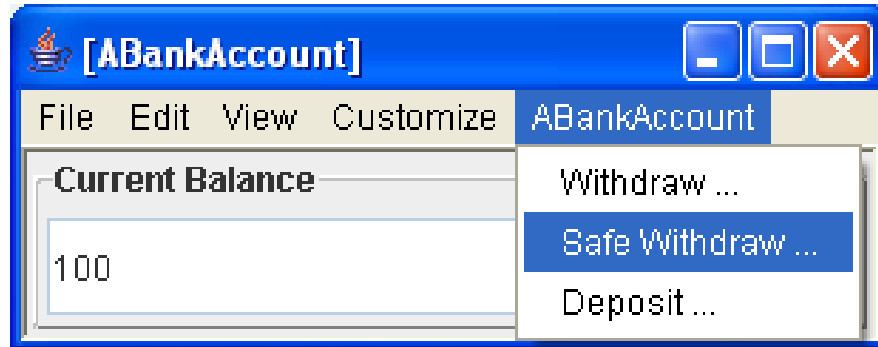
Console Tasks

ABankAccountDriver [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.5.0_04\bin\javaw.exe (Nov 22, 2005 12:06:22 PM)
2147483647

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```
public boolean safeWithdraw (int amount) {  
    assert amount > 0: "amount < 0";  
    boolean retVal = withdraw(amount);  
    assert currentBalance >= MIN_BALANCE: "currentBalance  
< MIN_BALANCE";  
    return retVal;  
}
```

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[SecurityTracker.com Archives - Microsoft Internet Explorer **Integer** ...](#)

Microsoft Internet Explorer **Integer Overflow** in Processing Bitmap Files Lets ...
Vendor URL: www.microsoft.com/technet/security/ (Links to External Site) ...
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Description, **Integer overflow** in memory allocation results in heap **overflow**.
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Samba: **Integer overflow**. Content: 1. Gentoo Linux **Security** Advisory, 2. Impact Information, 3. Resolution Information, 4. References ...
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KOffice 1.3 (including betas) to 1.3.5 have an **integer overflow** vulnerability in KWord's PDF ... References: the corresponding **security** advisory for KDE. ...
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eEye - Network **security** & vulnerability management software including ...
Although the copy length is similarly subject to an **integer overflow**, ...
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For the purpose of signature development and further **security** research, a sample

Google for
“integer overflow
security”

EXPRESSING ASSERTIONS

- Natural language
 - No collection element is null.
 - All collection elements are not odd.
 - All collection elements are either odd or positive.
 - Easy to read but ambiguous.
- Programming language
 - Library or language constructs
 - Executable, unambiguous but language-dependent and awkward
 - Useful for debugging
 - Specification cannot be done before language decided.
- Mathematical language
 - Unambiguous, time tested, convenient but not executable
 - $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size() : b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

PROPOSITIONAL CALCULUS

- Logic operators

- not, and, or
 - We will use Java syntax.

- Quantifiers

- Universal (\forall)
 - Existential (\exists)

$\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size() :$
 $b.get(j) \neq \text{null} \ \&\& \ b.get(j) \neq a.get(0)$

- Propositional variables

- Program
 - Others: Recording, Quantifier

- Propositions

- Boolean expressions involving operators, variables, and quantifiers

- Simple/quantified propositions

- Do not use/use quantifiers

PROPOSITIONAL ALGEBRA

- Calculus based on algebra

- Algebra defines

- Arithmetic operations
- Relations operations
- We will use Java syntax

$\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size() :$
 $b.get(j) \neq null \ \&\&$
 $b.get(j) == a.get(0)$

EXAMPLE PROPOSITIONS

○ Simple propositions

- True
- False
- $\text{weight} > 0$
- $(\text{weight} > 0) \ \&\& \ (\text{height} > 0)$

○ Quantified

- $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.\text{size}() : b.\text{get}(j) \neq \text{null}$
 - All elements of B are not null
- $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.\text{size}(): b.\text{get}(j) \neq \text{null}$
 - At least one element of B is not null.

QUANTIFIED PROPOSITIONS

- Quantified
 - $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size():$
 $b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$
 - $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.size():$
 $b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$
- General form:
 - $Qx:D(x):P(x)$
 - Q is either \forall or \exists
 quantifier
 - x is quantified variable
 - $D(x)$ is domain
 description
 - $P(x)$ is sub-proposition
- Sub-proposition
 - Simple or quantified
 proposition in terms of
 quantifier
- Domain
 - A collection of values
 used in sub-proposition
 evaluation
 - $b.get(0), \dots$
 $b.get(b.size() - 1)$
- Domain description
 - Describes domain using
 quantified variable

QUANTIFIED ASSERTIONS

○ Syntax


- $Qx:D(x):P(x)$
- $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$
- $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

○ Goal:

- Write general boolean functions that take as arguments encoding of the elements of domain and return true iff proposition is true

EXPRESSING QUANTIFIED ASSERTIONS

```
public interface Asserter {  
    public boolean checkQuantified (String assertion) ;  
}
```



Library must do parsing.

Cannot pass expression string as variables (such as b) in our scope have no meaning to library

$Qx:D(x):P(x)$
 $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

```
assert asserter.checkQuantified("∀j: 0 ≤ j < b.size(): b.get(j)  
≠ null"): "some element of b is null" ;
```

SEPARATE THE THREE COMPONENTS

```
public interface Asserter {  
    public boolean checkUniversal (... , ...);  
    public boolean checkExistential (... , ...);  
}
```

Separate functions for two quantifiers

One argument for domain and one for predicate

Assume domain is some collection

$Qx:D(x):P(x)$
 $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

assert `asserter.checkUniversal(..., ...)`: “some element of `b` is null”

LIST BASED DOMAIN

```
public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
    public boolean checkUniversal (List<ElementType>  
domain, ...);  
    public boolean checkExistential (List<ElementType>  
domain, ...);  
}
```

Assume domain implements List

Want to support histories, sets,
databases, streams ...

$Qx:D(x):P(x)$
 $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

assert asserter.checkUniversal(b, ...): “some element of b is
null”;

ITERATING THE DOMAIN

```
public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
    public boolean checkUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>  
domain, ...);  
    public boolean checkExistential (Iterator<ElementType>  
domain, ...);  
}
```

Iterator describes any sequence of
ordered/unordered items.

$Qx:D(x):P(x)$
 $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

assert `asserter.checkUniversal(b.iterator(), ...)`: “some element
of `b` is null”)

ASSERTER CLASS

```
package util.assertions;
import java.util.Iterator;
public class AnAsserter<ElementType> implements
Asserter<ElementType> {
    public boolean checkUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>
elements, ...) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (!...) return false;
        return true;
    }
    public void checkExistential (Iterator<ElementType>
elements, ...) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (...) return true;
        return false;
    }
}
```

DESCRIBING THE DOMAIN USING METHOD PARAMETERS

```
public boolean checkUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>
elements, (<ElementType> boolean)elementChecker ) {
    while (elements.hasNext())
        if (!elementChecker(elements.next())) return
false;
    return true;
}
```

Method must be invoked on some object

Passing method and object separately raises typing issues

```
public boolean nonNullChecker(Object element) {
    return element != null;
}
```

```
assert assertter.checkUniversal(b.iterator(), nonNullChecker,
“some element of b is null” )
```

DESCRIBING THE DOMAIN USING METHOD PARAMETERS

```
public boolean checkUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>
elements, ElementChecker elementChecker ) {
    while (elements.hasNext())
        if (!elementChecker.check(elements.next()))
            return false;
    return true;
}
```

Pass an object with a check method that takes argument of type <ElementType>

$Qx:D(x):P(x)$
 $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

assert `asserter.checkUniversal(b.iterator(), new ANonNullChecker())`: “some element of b is null”;

SUBPROPOSITION VISITOR OBJECTS

```
package util.assertions;  
public interface ElementChecker<ElementType> {  
    public boolean check (ElementType element);  
}
```

```
import util.assertions.ElementChecker;  
public class ANonNullChecker implements  
ElementChecker<Object> {  
    public boolean check(Object element) {  
        return element != null;  
    }  
}
```

All subproposition objects
implement same interface

The check method of a
subproposition object visits each

```
public boolean checkUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>  
elements, ElementChecker elementChecker ) {  
    while (elements.hasNext())  
        if (!elementChecker.check(elements.next()))  
            return false;  
    return true;  
}
```

```
assert asserter.checkUniversal(b.iterator(), new  
ANonNullChecker()): "some element of b is null";
```

ACCESSING EXTERNAL VARS

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package util.assertions;  
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}
```

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public class ANonNullChecker implements  
ElementChecker<Object> {  
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        return element != null;  
    }  
}
```

$\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq a.get(0)$

assert assertter.checkUniversal(b.iterator(), new
ANonNullChecker()): “some element of b is null”;

SUBPROPOSITION ACCESSING VARS OTHER THAN DOMAIN ELEMENTS

```
import util.assertions.ElementChecker;
public class AnInequalityChecker implements ElementChecker<String> {
    String testObject;
    public AnInequalityChecker(String theTestObject) {
        testObject = theTestObject;
    }
    public boolean check(String element) {
        return !element.equals(testObject);
    }
}
```

Each external var becomes constructor parameter and checker instance variable

$\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq a.get(0)$

assertasserter.checkUniversal(b.iterator(), **new** AnInequalityChecker(a.get(0)): “some element of b == a.get(0)” ;

ACTIONOBJECT

Action Object = Embedded
Operation

```
execute (targetObject, params)
```

```
getWeightMethod.invoke (bmi, nullParams);
```

Provides an execute method
to perform some embedded
operation.

The execute operation takes the
object on which the embedded
operation is to be invoked and
an array of parameters of the
target method.

COMMAND OBJECT

Command Object =
Embedded Operation +
Target + Parameters

`execute ()`

Constructor (targetObject, params)

```
setWeightCommand.execute();
```

Provides a execute operation to perform some embedded operation.

The execute operation takes no arguments.

Constructor takes parameters of operation as arguments.

Action is an operation that can be invoked on many different arguments

A command is a specific action invocation.

VISITOR OBJECT

`execute (targetObject)`

`Constructor (params)`

`elementChecker.check(elements.next())`

Visitor Object = Embedded
Operation + Parameters

```
public boolean check(String element) {  
    return !element.equals(testObject);  
}
```

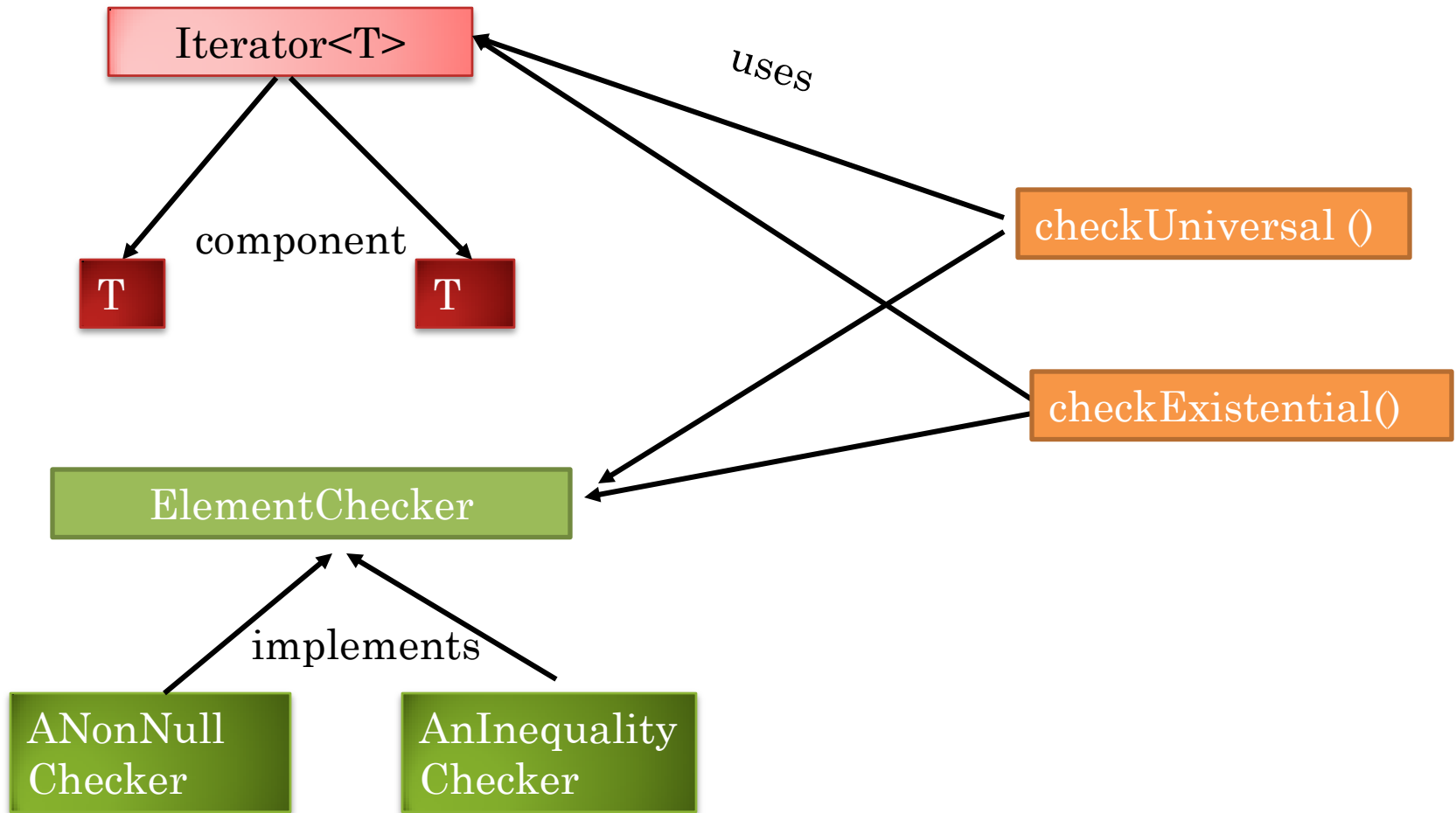
Provides a execute
operation to perform
some embedded
operation.

The execute operation takes
target object as argument

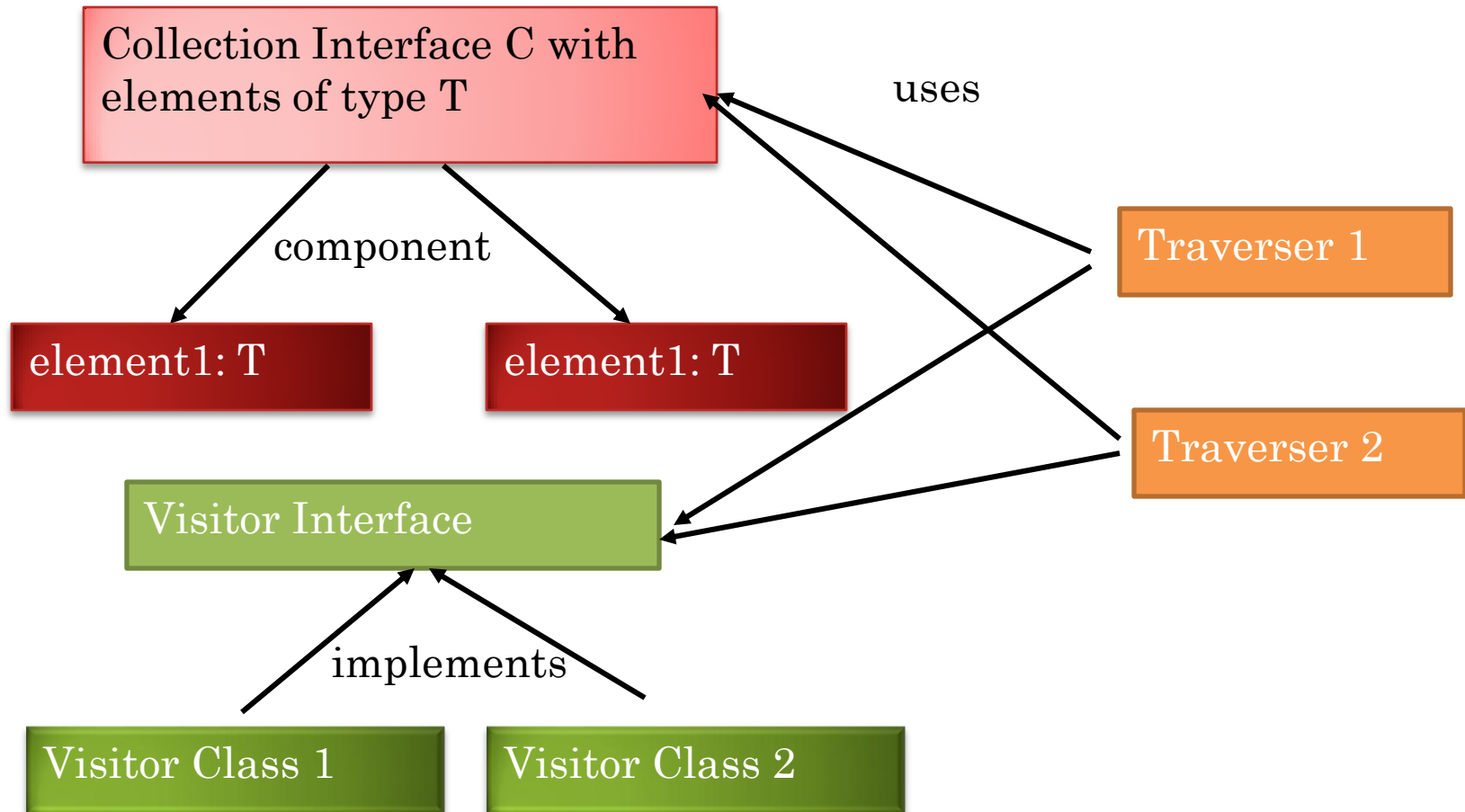
Constructor in (a)
command takes target and
params, (b) action takes no
params, and (c) visitor
takes params as
arguments.

Execute in (a) command
takes no params, (b) action
takes target object and
params, (c) visitor takes
target object

EXAMPLE OF VISITOR PATTERN



VISITOR PATTERN



EVERYDAY VISITOR OBJECTS

- Compiler visitors for:
 - Formatting program elements
 - Refactoring program elements
 - Compiling program elements.
- ObjectEditor visitors for:
 - Attaching widgets to object components.
 - Registering listeners of object components.
 - Printing a textual representation of object components.

VISITOR PATTERN

- Some collection C of elements of type T
- Visitor interface
 - **public interface** ElementChecker { **public boolean** visit (T element);}
 - **public interface** V {**public** T2 m (T p);}
- One or more traverser methods that use collection and visitor interface to pass one or more collection elements to the method.
 - **public static boolean** checkUniversal (Iterator<ElementChecker> domain, ElementChecker subProposition)
{...subProposition.visit(domain.next ());
 - traverser1 (C c, V v) { ...v.m(element of C)...}
- Implementation of interface whose constructors take as arguments external variables that need to be accessed by the visitor method

```
public class AnInequalityChecker implements ElementChecker {  
    Object testObject;  
    public AnInequalityChecker(Object theTestObject) {...}  
    public boolean visit(Object element) {...};  
}  
public class AV1 implements V {  
    public AV1 (T1 p1, ... Tn pN) { ...}  
    public T2 m (T p) { ... }  
}
```
- Client passes traverser visitor implementation and collection
 - `asserter.checkUniversalb.iterate(), new AnInequalityChecker(a.get(0))`);
 - `traverser1(c, new AV1(a1,.. aN))`);

ASSERTING FALSE

```
switch c {  
  case 'a': ...  
  case 'b': ...  
  default: assert false  
}
```

Unreachable
statement



NESTED ASSERTIONS

```
public class AListChecker implements ElementChecker<List> {  
    public boolean check(List element) {  
        Iterator children = element.iterate();  
        returnasserter.checkUniversal(children, new  
ANonNullChecker());  
    }  
}
```

$\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): \forall k: 0 \leq k < b.get(j).size(): b.get(j).get(k) \neq \text{null}$

assert asserter.checkUniversal(b.iterator(), **new** AListChecker
(), “some nested element of b is null)

ACTUAL LIBRARY

```
package util.assertions;
import java.util.Iterator;
public class AnAsserter<ElementType> implements
Asserter<ElementType> {
    public void assertUniversal (Iterator<ElementType> elements,
ElementChecker elementChecker, String message) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (!elementChecker.check(elements.next())) throw
new AssertionError (message);
    }
    public void assertExistential (Iterator<ElementType>
elements, ElementChecker elementChecker, String message) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (elementChecker.check(elements.next())) _return;
        throw new AssertionError (message);
    }
}
```

asserter.assertUniversal(b.iterator(), nonNullChecker, “some element of b is null”);

Fails regardless of Java options

JAVA ASSERTIONS

- **assert** <Boolean Expression>
- **assert** <Boolean Expression>: <Value>
- Statement can be inserted anywhere to state that some condition should be true
- If condition is false, Java throws `AssertionError`, which may be caught by programmer code.
- If uncaught, generic message saying assertion failed is printed.
- An assertion made at the beginning/end of a statement block (method, loop, if ..) is called its precondition/postcondition

WHY LANGUAGE SUPPORT

- Can always define a library with `assert(<Boolean Expression>)` method that throws a special exception denoting assertion error.
- Assertions can be dynamically turned on or off for package or Class
 - `java -ea assignment11.MainClass -da bus.uigen...`

```
public void myAssert (boolean boolExp, String message)
throws AssertionError {
    if (boolExp) throw new AssertionError (message);
}
```

ERROR VS. EXCEPTION

- Java assertion failure results in `AssertionError`
- Subclass of `Error` rather than `RuntimeException`
- Reasoning:
 - Convention dictates that `Exception` should be caught
 - Should “discourage programmers from attempting to recover from assertion failures.”
 - Might do custom reporting, mail error report etc.
 - `AssertionError` is a subclass of `Throwable` and can indeed be caught
 - Decision was controversial

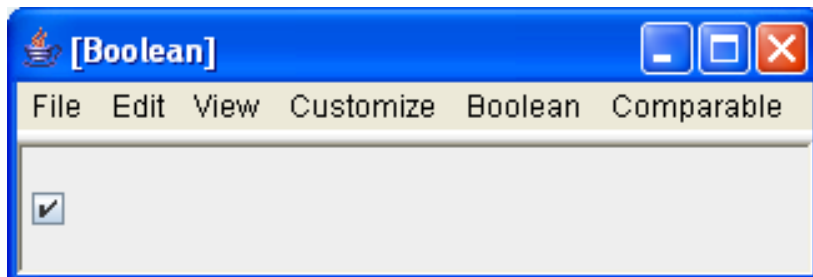
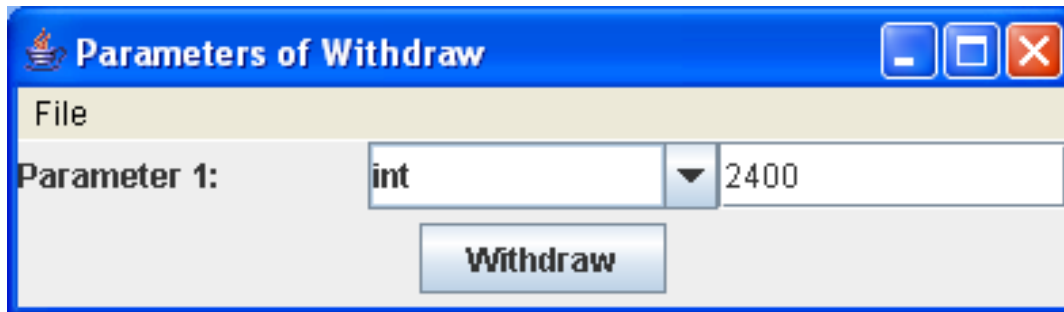
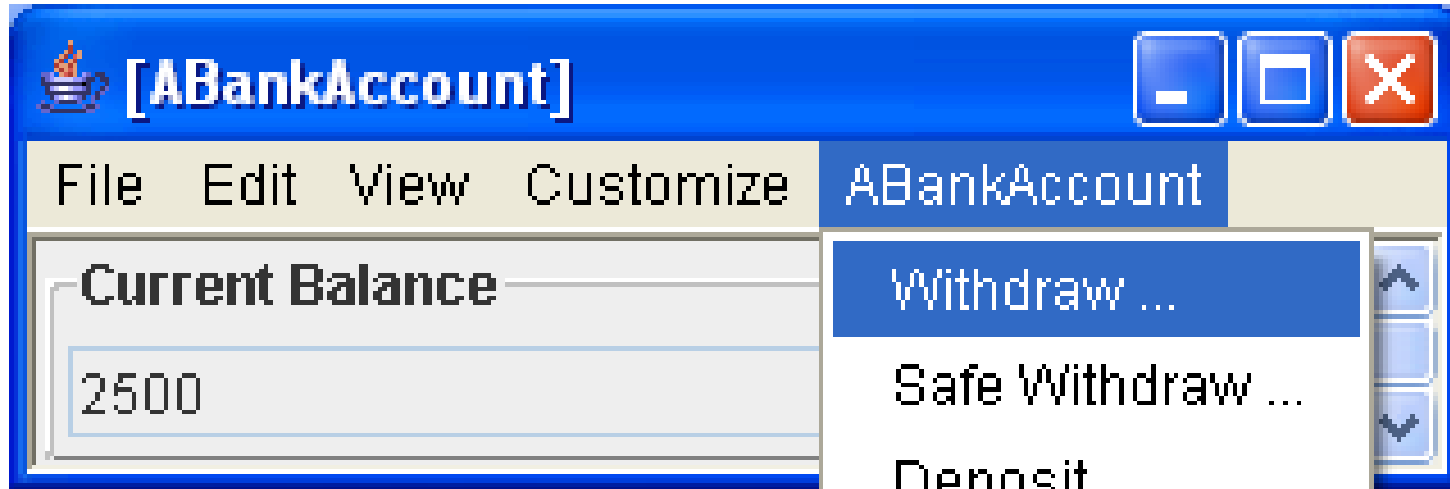
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```
public class ABankAccount implements BankAccount {  
    int currentBalance = 0;  
    public static final int MIN_BALANCE = 100;  
    public ABankAccount (int initialBalance) {  
        currentBalance = initialBalance;  
    }  
    public int getCurrentBalance () {return currentBalance;}  
    public void deposit (int amount) {currentBalance += amount;}  
    public boolean withdraw (int amount) {  
        int minNecessaryBalance = MIN_BALANCE + amount;  
        if (minNecessaryBalance <= currentBalance) {  
            currentBalance -= amount;  
            return true;  
        } else return false;  
    }  
}
```

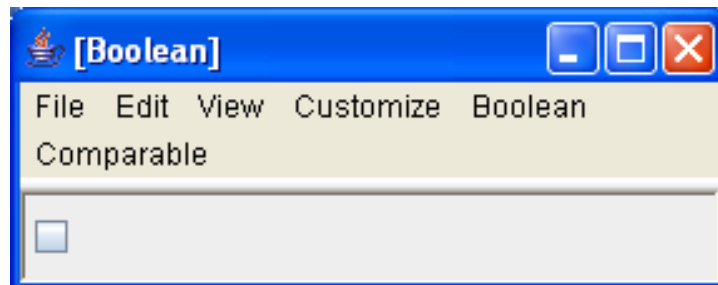
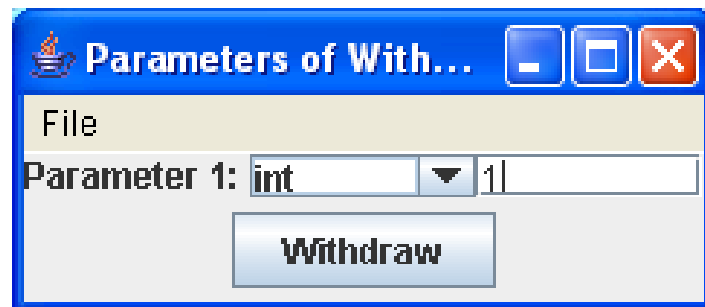
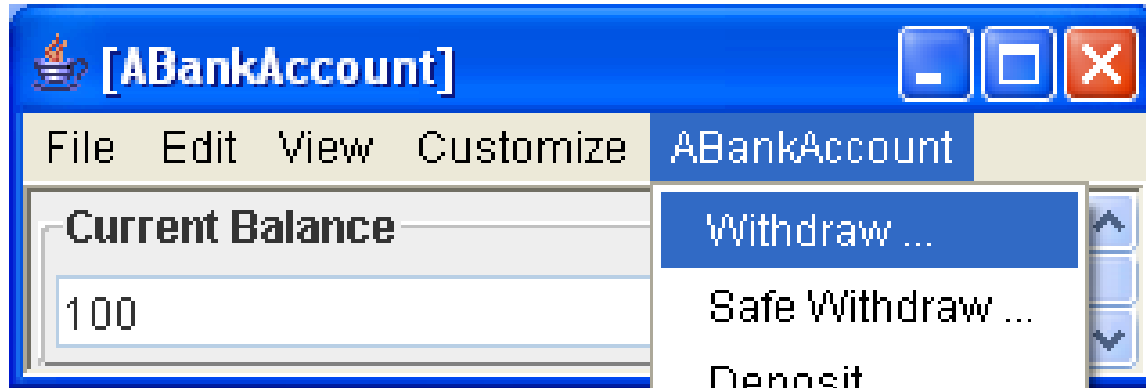
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```
public boolean safeWithdraw (int amount) {  
    assert amount > 0: "amount < 0";  
    boolean retVal = withdraw(amount);  
    assert currentBalance >= MIN_BALANCE: "currentBalance  
< MIN_BALANCE";  
    return retVal;  
}
```

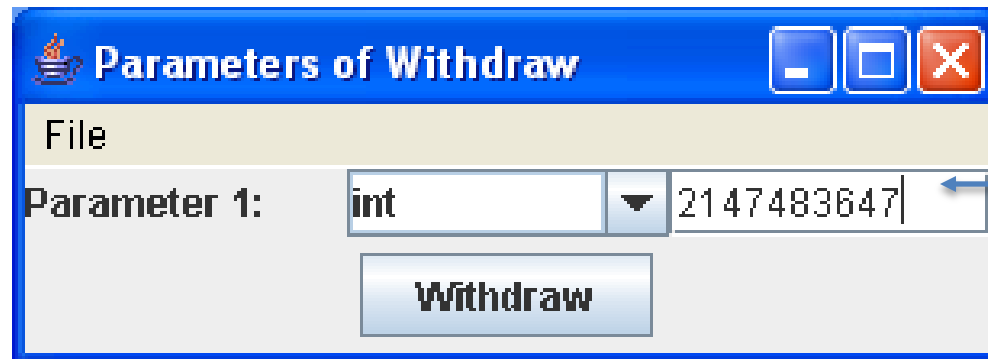
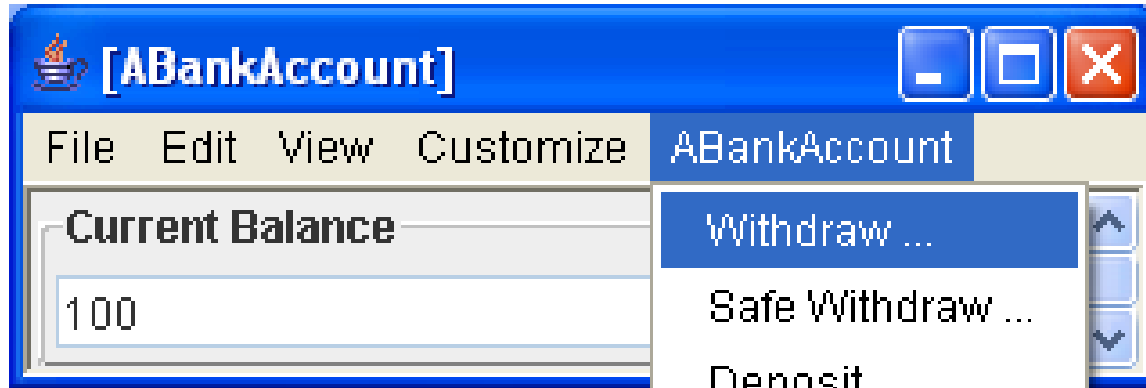
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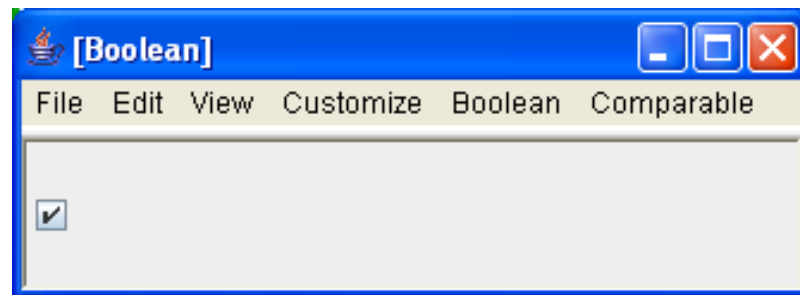
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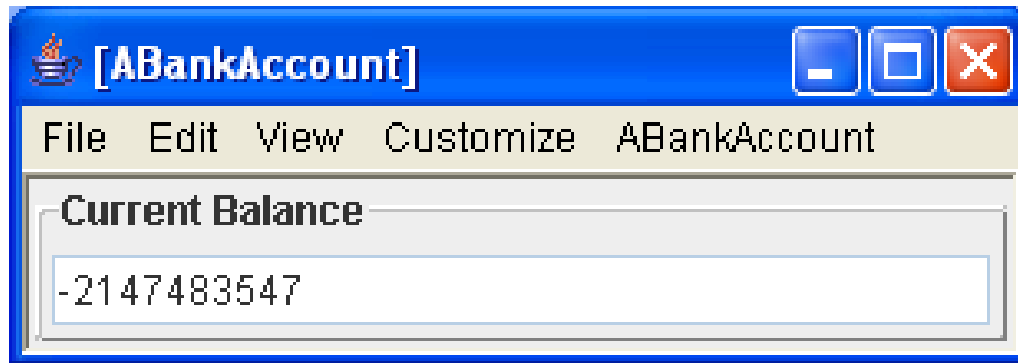
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Integer.MAX_INT



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THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST

Debug - ABankAccount.java - Eclipse Platform

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Debug

ABankAccount.withdraw(int) line: 16
NativeMethodAccessorImpl.invoke0(Method, Object, Object[]) line: not available
NativeMethodAccessorImpl.invoke(Object, Object[]) line: not available
DelegatingMethodAccessorImpl.invoke(Object, Object[]) line: not available
Method.invoke(Object, Object...) line: not available
uiMethodInvocationManager.invokeMethod(Object, Method, Object[]) line: 738
BasicCommand.execute() line: 36
HistoryUndoer.execute(Command) line: 51
uiMethodInvocationManager.invokeMethods(uiFrame, Vector, Vector, Vector) li
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uiMethodInvocationManager.invokeMethod() line: 1162

Variables Breakpoints

this= ABankAccount (id=17)
amount= 2147483647
minNecessaryBalance= -2147483549

AStr... AString... BankAcc... AnEmplo... ABankAc... ABankAc... ACourse... 18 Outline

```
public boolean withdraw (int amount) {  
    int minNecessaryBalance = MIN_BALANCE + amount;  
    if (minNecessaryBalance <= currentBalance) {  
        currentBalance -= amount;  
        return true;  
    }  
    else return false;  
}  
  
public int getCurrentBalance () {  
    return currentBalance;  
}
```

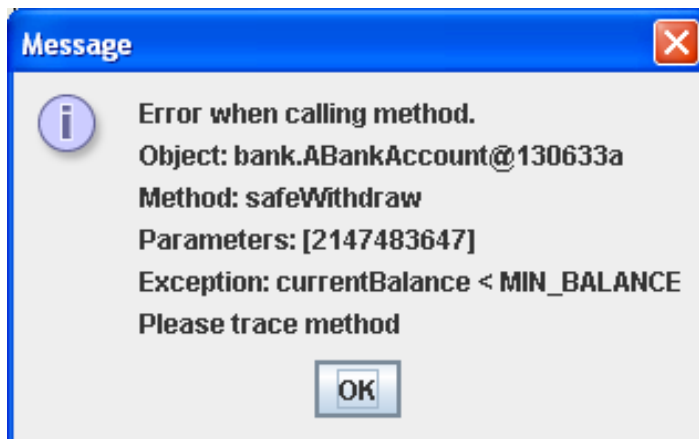
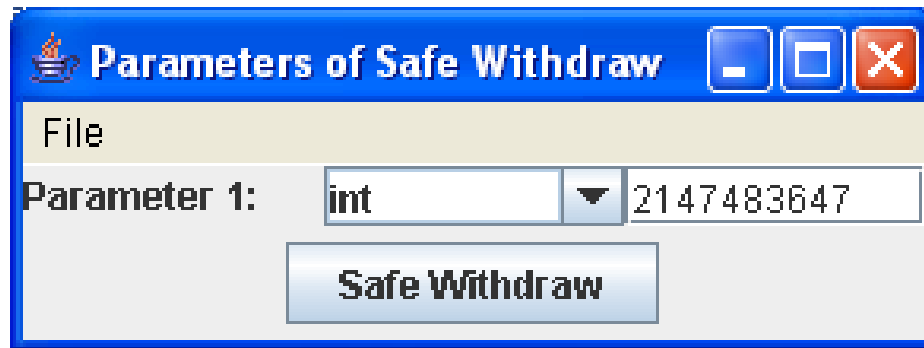
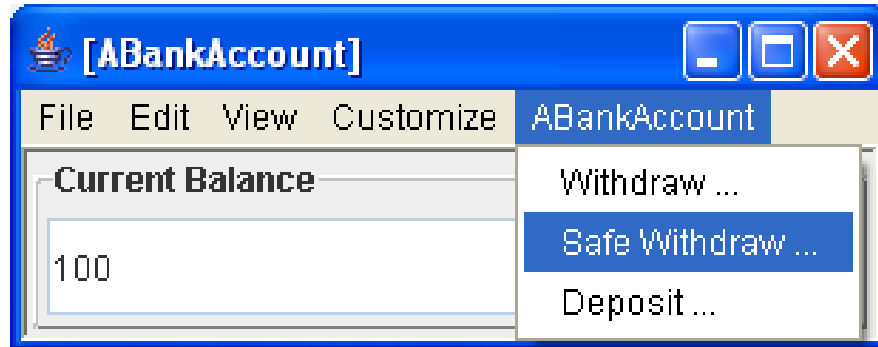
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withdraw(int)
getCurrentBalance()
safeWithdraw(int)

Console Tasks

ABankAccountDriver [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.5.0_04\bin\javaw.exe (Nov 22, 2005 12:06:22 PM)
2147483647

Most significant but of positive (negative) numbers is 0(1)

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[SecurityTracker.com Archives - Microsoft Internet Explorer Integer ...](#)

Microsoft Internet Explorer **Integer Overflow** in Processing Bitmap Files Lets ...
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Description, **Integer overflow** in memory allocation results in heap **overflow**.
By passing the size variable as ~0, **integer overflows** to 0 when 1 is added in ...
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[Gentoo Linux Documentation -- Samba: Integer overflow](#)

Samba: **Integer overflow**. Content: 1. Gentoo Linux **Security** Advisory, 2. Impact Information, 3. Resolution Information, 4. References ...
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[The KOffice Project - XPDF Integer Overflow 2](#)

KOffice 1.3 (including betas) to 1.3.5 have an **integer overflow** vulnerability in KWord's PDF ... References: the corresponding **security** advisory for KDE. ...
[www.koffice.org/security/2004_xpdf_integer_overflow_2.php](#) - 9k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

[Microsoft Windows LoadImage API Function Integer Overflow ...](#)

Microsoft Windows is reported prone to a remote **integer overflow** vulnerability.
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[CERT Advisory CA-2002-25 Integer Overflow In XDR Library](#)

There is an **integer overflow** present in the xdr_array() function ... CERT publications and other **security** information are available from our web site ...
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[\[LSS | Security | eXposed by LSS | Detali\]](#)

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eEye - Network **security** & vulnerability management software including ...
Although the copy length is similarly subject to an **integer overflow**, ...
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For the purpose of signature development and further **security** research, a sample

Google for
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security”

EXTRA SLIDES

PROBLEM WITH INACCESSIBLE VARIABLES

○ Syntax

- $Qx:D(x):P(x)$
- $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$
- $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

○ How to describe $D(x)$ and $P(x)$?

- Cannot pass expression string as variables involved have no meaning to library
- Will pass one argument describing the domain
 - Collection of elements
- Another argument describing the subproposition to be evaluated for each domain element.

COMPLETE ASSERTER

```
package util.assertions;
import java.util.Iterator;
public class AnAsserter<ElementType> implements
Asserter<ElementType> {
    public void assertUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>
elements, ElementChecker elementChecker, String message) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (!elementChecker.check(elements.next())) throw
new AssertionError (message);
    }
    public void assertExistential (Iterator<ElementType>
elements, ElementChecker elementChecker, String message) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (elementChecker.check(elements.next()))
return;
        throw new AssertionError (message);
    }
}
```

ASSERTER CLASS

```
package util.assertions;
import java.util.Iterator;
public class AnAsserter<ElementType> implements Asserter<ElementType> {
    public void assertUniversal (Iterator<ElementType> elements, ..., String
message) {
        assert checkUniversal(elements, ..., message);
    }
    public void assertExistential (Iterator<ElementType> elements,
ElementChecker elementChecker, String message) {
        assert !checkExistential(elements, ..., message)
    }
    public boolean checkUniversal (Iterator<ElementType> elements, ...) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (...) return false;
        return true;
    }
    public void checkExistential (Iterator<ElementType> elements, ...) {
        while (elements.hasNext())
            if (...) return true;
        return false;
    }
}
```


GOAL

```
package util.assertions;  
import java.util.Iterator;  
public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
    public void assertUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>  
enumParam, ElementChecker elementChecker, String message);  
    public void assertExistential (Iterator<ElementType>  
enumParam, ElementChecker elementChecker, String message);  
}
```

- Need to fill the ...

GOAL

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package util.assertions;  
public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
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HOW TO DESCRIBE DOMAIN?

○ Syntax

- $Q_{x:D(x):P(x)}$
- $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$
- $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$

○ Domain can be

- Array, Vector, StringHistory, ...

○ Need a common interface to describe elements

- `java.util.Iterator`

DESCRIBING THE DOMAIN

```
public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
    public void assertUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>  
domain, ..., String message);  
    public void assertExistential (Iterator<ElementType>  
domain, ..., String message);  
}
```

```
asserter.assertUniversal (B.iterate(), ..., "Some element of B is null");  
asserter.assertExistential(B.iterate(), ..., "All elements of B are null");
```

Need to fill ...

DESCRIBING THE DOMAIN USING METHOD PARAMETERS

```
public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
    public void assertUniversal (Iterator<ElementType>  
domain, (<ElementType> → boolean)elementChecker , String  
message) ;  
    public void assertExistential (Iterator<ElementType>  
domain, (<ElementType> → boolean)elementChecker, String  
message) ;  
}
```

```
asserter.assertUniversal (B.iterate(), ..., "Some element of B is null");  
asserter.assertExistential(B.iterate(), ..., "All elements of B are null");
```

Need to fill ...

DESCRIBING THE DOMAIN

```
public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
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    public void assertExistential (Iterator<ElementType>  
enumParam, ElementChecker elementChecker, String message);  
}
```

DESCRIBING THE DOMAIN

```
package assertions;
import java.util.Enumeration;
public class AQuantifier {
    public static boolean forAll ((Enumeration domain, ...) {
        while (domain.hasMoreElements())
            ...
    }
    public static boolean thereExists ((Enumeration domain, ...) {
        while (domain.hasMoreElements())
            ...
    }
}
```

AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.forAll(B.elements(), ..., "Some element of B is null");

AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.thereExists(b.elements(), ..., "All elements of B are null");

Need to fill ...

HOW TO DESCRIBE SUBPROPOSITION

- Syntax
 - $Qx:D(x):P(x)$
 - $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$
 - $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq \text{null}$
- Cannot pass expression string as variables involved have no meaning to library
- But can pass function that evaluates it.
 - **boolean** isNotNull(Object element) {
 return element != null;
}
- Function will be evaluated for each domain element by our libraries

SUBPROPOSITION AS A FUNCTION

```
package assertions;
import java.util.Enumeration;
public class AQuantifier {
    public static boolean forAll (Enumeration domain, (object →
boolean) subProposition) {
        while (domain.hasMoreElements())
            if (!subProposition (domain.nextElement())) return false;
        return true;
    }
    public static boolean thereExists ((Enumeration domain, (object →
boolean) subProposition) {
        while (domain.hasMoreElements())
            if (!subProposition (domain.nextElement())) return true;
        return false;
    }
}

AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.forAll(B.elements(), isNotNull), "Some
    element of B is null");
AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.thereExists(b.elements(), isNotNull),
    "All elements of B are null");
```

HOW TO DESCRIBE SUBPROPOSITION

```
import util.assertions;  
public interface ElementChecker<ElementType> {  
    public boolean check (ElementType element);  
}
```

pass expression

pass function
evaluates it.

clean
NotNull(Object
element) {

return element != null;

}

```
public class ANonNullChecker implements  
ElementChecker<Object> {  
    public boolean check(String element) {  
        return element != null;  
    }  
}
```

does not support
function parameters

allows object
parameters

object = data +
functions

subproposition

objects implement same

interface

- A subproposition object visits each element

DESCRIBING THE SUBPROPOSITION

```
package assertions;
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subProposition) {
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        return true;
    }
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ElementChecker subProposition) {
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            if (subProposition.visit(domain.nextElement())) return true;
        return false;
    }
}
```

```
AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.forAll(b.elements(), new
    ANonNullChecker()), "Some element of B is null");
AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.thereExists(b.elements(), new
    ANonNullChecker()), "All elements of B are null");
```

GOAL

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public interface Asserter<ElementType> {  
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}
```

- Need to fill the ...

CALLS VS. CALLBACKS

- Calls

- calls from reusing class to reused class

- Callbacks

- calls from reused class to reusing class.
 - not to implement a symbiotic relationship
 - done to service calls

SUBPROPOSITION ACCESSING VARS OTHER THAN DOMAIN ELEMENTS

- $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq a.get(0)$
- $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq a.get(0)$

```
public class ANonNullChecker implements
ElementChecker<Object> {
    public boolean check(String element) {
        return element != null;
    }
}
```

No
constructor

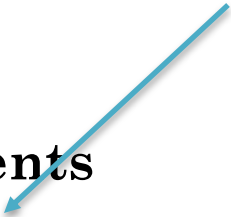


```
AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.forAll(b.elements(), new
ANonNullChecker()), "Some element of B is null");
```

SUBPROPOSITION ACCESSING VARS OTHER THAN DOMAIN ELEMENTS

- $\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq a.get(0)$
- $\exists j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): b.get(j) \neq a.get(0)$

Each external var
becomes constructor
parameter



```
package util.assertions;  
import assertions.ElementChecker;  
public class AnInequalityChecker implements  
ElementChecker<String> {  
    String testObject;  
    public AnInequalityChecker(String theTestObject) {  
        testObject = theTestObject;  
    }  
    public boolean check(String element) {  
        return !element.equals(testObject);  
    }  
}
```

```
AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.forAll(b.elements(), new  
    AnInequalityChecker(a.get(0))), "Some element of b is equal to  
    a.get(0)");
```


VISITOR PATTERN

- Some collection C of elements of type T
- Visitor interface
 - **public interface** ElementChecker { **public boolean** visit (Object element);}
 - **public interface** V {**public** T2 m (T p);}
- One or more traverser methods that use collection and visitor interface to pass one or more collection elements to the method.
 - **public static boolean** forAll (Enumeration domain, ElementChecker subProposition) {...subProposition.visit(domain.nextElement());}
 - traverser1 (C c, V v) { ...v.m(element of C)...}
- Implementation of interface whose constructors take as arguments external variables that need to be accessed by the visitor method

```
public class AnInequalityChecker implements ElementChecker {  
    Object testObject;  
    public AnInequalityChecker(Object theTestObject) {...}  
    public boolean visit(Object element) {...};  
}  
public class AV1 implements V {  
    public AV1 (T1 p1, ... Tn pN) { ...}  
    public T2 m (T p) { ... }  
}
```
- Client passes traverser visitor implementation and collection
 - AQuantifier.forAll(b.elements(), **new** AnInequalityChecker(a.get(0)));
 - traverser1(c, **new** AV1(a1,.. aN));

ACTIONOBJECT

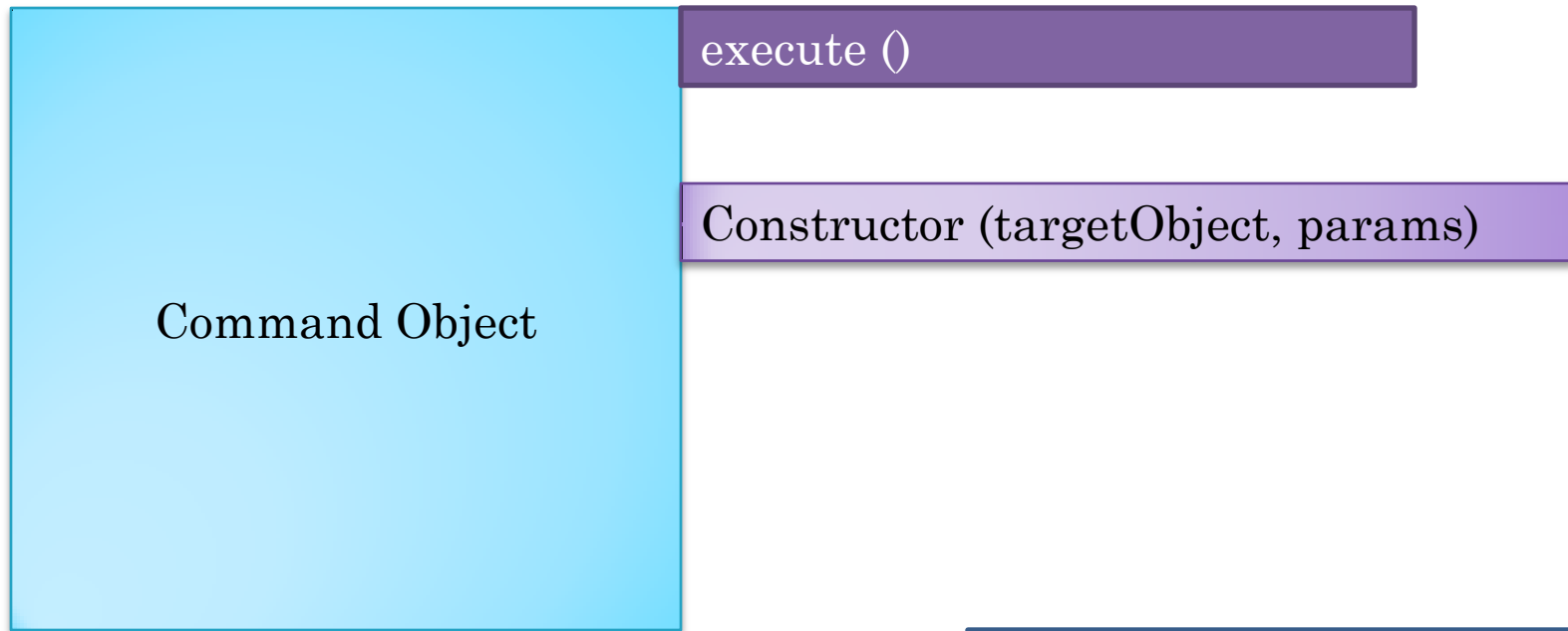
`execute (targetObject, params)`

Action Object

Provides an execute operation to perform some action.

The execute operation takes the object on which the target operation is to be invoked and an array of parameters of the target method.

COMMAND OBJECT



Provides a execute operation to perform some action.

The execute operation takes no arguments.

Constructor takes parameters of operation as arguments.

Action is an operation that can be invoked on many different arguments

A command is a specific action invocation.

VISITOR OBJECT

Visitor Object

execute (targetObject)

Constructor (params)

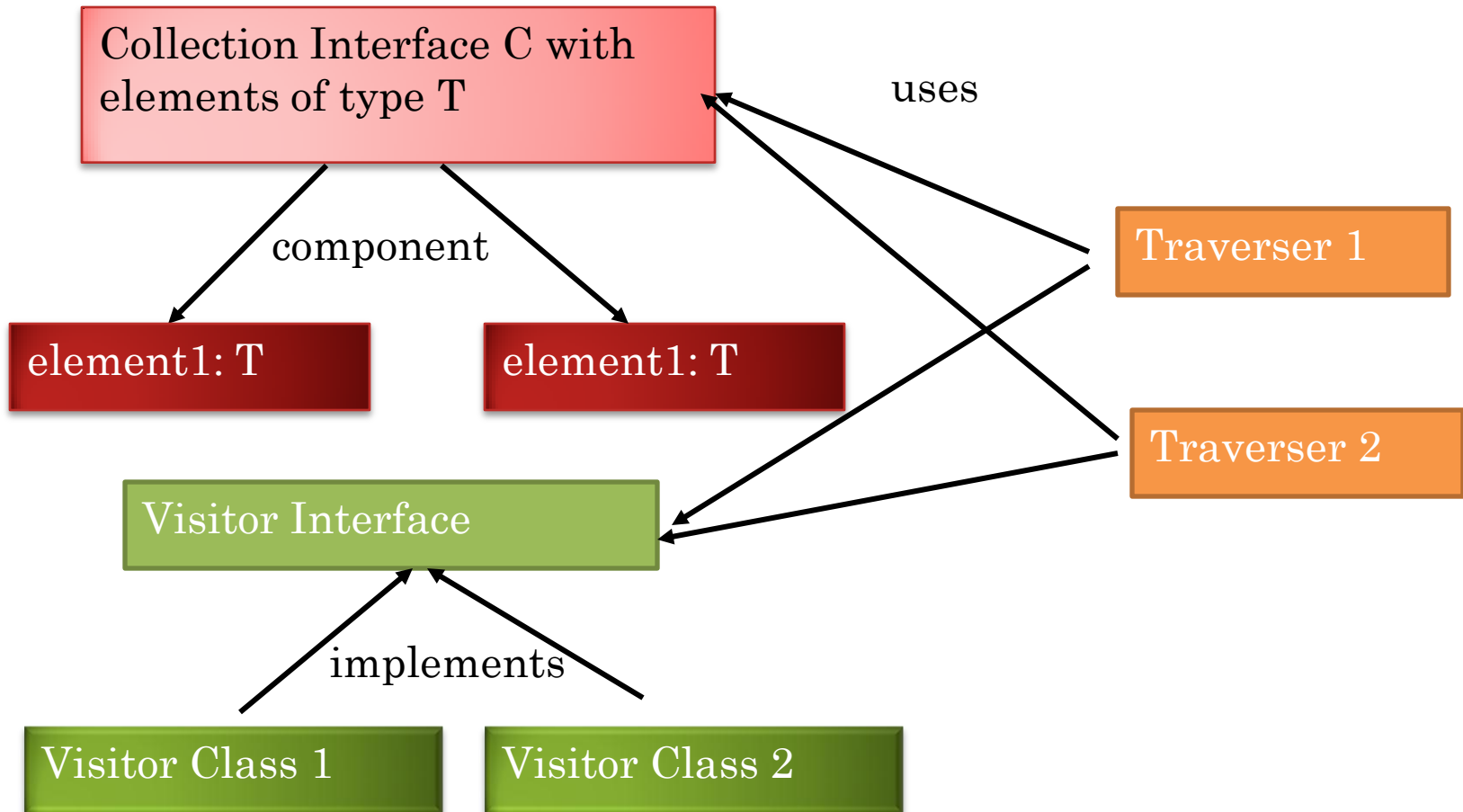
Provides a execute operation to perform some action.

The execute operation takes target object as argument

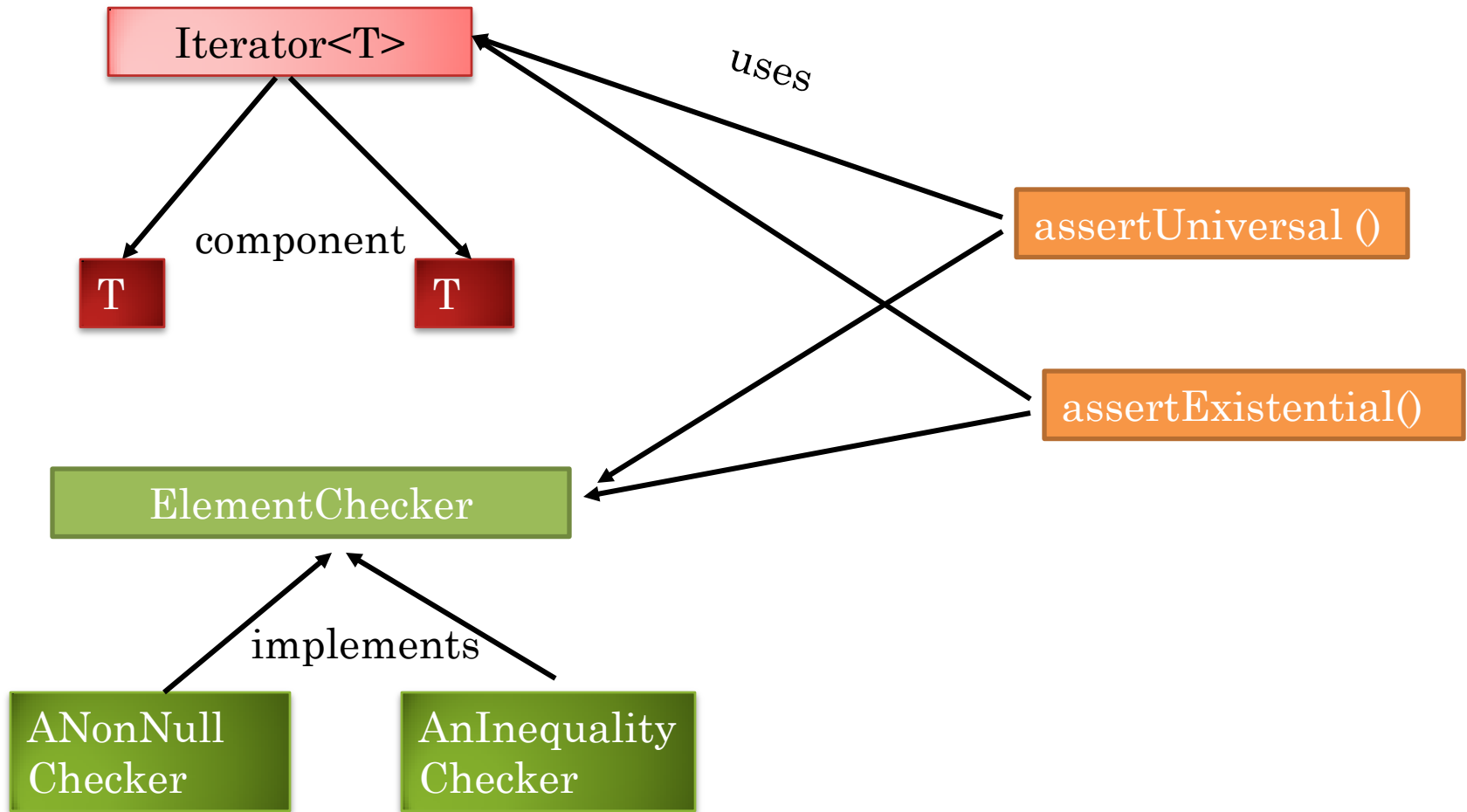
Constructor in (a) command takes target and params, (b) action takes no params, and (c) visitor takes opparams as arguments.

Execute in (a) command takes no params, (b) action takes target object and params, (c) visitor takes target object

VISITOR PATTERN



EXAMPLE OF VISITOR PATTERN



NESTED ASSERTIONS

$\forall j: 0 \leq j < b.size(): \forall k: 0 \leq k < b.get(j).size(): b.get(j).get(k) \neq \text{null}$

```
package visitors;
import assertions.ElementChecker;
public class ANonNullChecker implements ElementChecker {
    public boolean visit(Object element) {
        return (element != null);
    }
}
```

Visiting
Hierarchical
Structures
(Trees)



```
package visitors;
import assertions.ElementChecker;
public class AListChecker implements ElementChecker<List> {
    public boolean check(List element) {
        Iterator children = element.iterate();
        return asserter.assertUniversal(children, new
ANonNullChecker());
    }
}
```

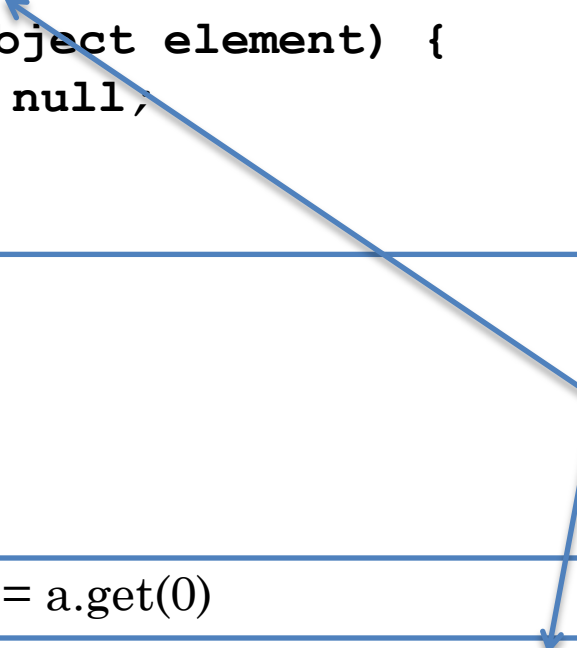
```
AnAsserter.assert(AQuantifier.forAll(b.elements(), new AForAllChecker(), "Some leaf-level
element of b is null");
```

EXAMPLE OF PATTERN IN EVERYDAY APPLICATIONS

- Program tree
- A visitor for printing all nodes.
- Another for type checking.
- Yet another for generating code
- Do not want to put all of this code in tree class.
- In any case, printing should not be in tree.

SUBPROPOSITION ACCESSING VARS OTHER THAN DOMAIN ELEMENTS

```
public class ANonNullChecker implements  
ElementChecker<Object> {  
    public boolean check(Object element) {  
        return element != null;  
    }  
}
```



No
Parameterized
constructor

```
∀j: 0 ≤ j < b.size(): b.get(j) != a.get(0)
```

```
assert checkUniversal(b.iterator(), new ANonNullChecker()):  
"some element of b is null")
```

CHECK METHOD

```
public boolean nonNullChecker(Object element) {  
    return element != null;  
}
```