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Tutorials for "Formal methods for Java" Exercise sheet 4

Exercise 1: Map implementation

On the lecture's webpage you find the skeleton for a Map data structure that implements functions mapping keys to values using sorted binary trees. Your task is to implement and specify this data structure. The specification should use a ghost field of type JMLValueToObjectMap.¹

- (a) Implement and specify a method private model pure JMLValueToObjectMap computeContent(Node n) that computes the content of the binary tree in terms of a JMLValueToObjectMap.
- (b) Implement and specify a method public Object add(Key k, Object v) that inserts a key/value pair into the tree. The tree should remain sorted. If a node with that key already exists, the old mapping will be replaced. The methods returns null if the key was not mapped to a value before this method has been called, and the old value otherwise.
- (c) Implement and specify a method public /*@ pure @*/ Object get(Key k) that returns the value associated with key k. If the key is not associated to any value, a NoSuchElementException should be thrown. Remember to include the exception in your specification.
- (d) Write a small test program that creates an instance of your map and inserts some key/value pairs where keys are of type IntKey. Compile and run your program with the JML tools.
- (e) Give a class invariant that states sortedness of the tree. Test your invariant with your example program.

Hint: The state of the support for **forall**-quantifiers in OpenJML is somewhat unclear. This exercise can be solved without the use of quantifiers by just using a pure recursive function (or more).

¹The field declaration is already given in skeleton. For an API description see e.g. http://www.cs.ucf.edu/~leavens/JML-release/javadocs/org/jmlspecs/models/JMLValueToObjectMap.html.

Miscelleanous notes:

- Messages from the OpenJML compiler of the form (...) openjml.jar(specs18/java/lang/Object.jml):108: Note: Not implemented for runtime assertion checking: ensures clause containing fresh can be ignored.
- Reference variables, parameters, return types, etc. that might be null during runtime need to be declared so (via /*@ nullable @*/).
- To compile several files together, just give them all as arguments to the compiler.