## **Invariant Contracts for Modules in Java**

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### **Establishing Module-Protection**

So far: Theoretical Criterion

Needed: Method to prove module-protection

No ideal solution (yet). But:

Known patterns to solve problems are subsumed.

(Partial) Immutability by final attributes, unique pointers, ownership (by type systems), confined types

Proof by DL proof obligation possible (?)



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