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& Your Comprehensive Practice Task

Create a Java program called SmartCalculator.java that acts as an interactive, menu-driven calculator with a special feature.

This program will require you to use:

- Variables, data types, and operators from Chapter 2.
- The Scanner class for input from Chapter 2.
- Conditional statements (if, if-else, switch) from Chapter 3.
- The Math class for calculations and random number generation from Chapters 2 & 3.
- Basic program structure, compilation, and execution from Chapter 1.

Program Requirements:

- 1. **Display a Welcome Message:** Use **println** statements to display a welcome message and the program's name when it starts.
- 2. **Main Menu:** Present the user with a menu of options. Store the user's choice in a variable.

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Please choose an operation:

1. Add two numbers

2. Subtract two numbers

3. Multiply two numbers

4. Divide two numbers

5. Generate a random number within a range

6. Exit
Enter your choice (1-6):
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- 3. Process User Choice: Use a switch statement to handle the user's menu choice (options 1-6).
- 4. Perform Calculations (for options 1-4):
 - For choices 1-4, prompt the user to enter two numbers (double values).
 - Perform the corresponding calculation (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division).
 - Important for Division (Option 4): Use an if statement to check if the second number (the
 divisor) is zero. If it is, print an error message "Error: Cannot divide by zero!" instead of
 performing the calculation. This practices logic errors from Chapter 1.
 - Print the result in a user-friendly format (e.g., "The result is: <result>").
- 5. Generate Random Number (Option 5):
 - For choice 5, prompt the user to enter a lower bound and an upper bound (two integers).
 - Use Math.random() to generate a random integer within that range (inclusive). (Hint: You'll need to cast the result and use the formula from Chapter 3).
 - Print the generated number. "Your random number is: <number>"

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- 6. **Exit (Option 6):** For choice 6, print a goodbye message (e.g., "Thank you for using SmartCalculator! Goodbye.") and use System.exit(0); to terminate the program.
- 7. **Handle Invalid Input:** Use the default case in your switch statement to handle any input that is not between 1-6. Print an error message: "Invalid choice. Please restart the program and select a number between 1 and 6."

8. Code Quality:

- Use meaningful variable names following Java naming conventions (camelCase).
- Add comments to explain sections of your code.
- Use constants where appropriate (e.g., you could define menu options as final variables).

Example Output (for a single run):

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Welcome to the SmartCalculator!

Please choose an operation:

1. Add two numbers

2. Subtract two numbers

3. Multiply two numbers

4. Divide two numbers

5. Generate a random number within a range

6. Exit
Enter your choice (1-6): 1

Enter the first number: 12.5
Enter the second number: 3.2
The result is: 15.7
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\dots (menu would show again if you used a loop, but since we haven't covered loops, the program will just end after one operation. This is fine for this task!)
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✓ What This Practices:

- Chapter 1: Program structure, main method, System.out.println, comments.
- Chapter 2: Variables (int, double), Scanner input, arithmetic operators, Math.random(), constants.
- **Chapter 3:** switch statement, if and if-else for input validation (division by zero, menu choice), relational operators (==), logical thinking.

This task forces you to integrate all the fundamental concepts you've learned so far into a single, functional application. Good luck