Learning goals

Before the next day, you should have achieved the following learning goals:

- Become familiarised with the use of private and public. All your classes, fields, and methods should specify
 explicitly wheter they are public or private according to the rules of thumb in the notes. If you make a decision
 of visibility that deviates from those rules, you should explain why in a comment.
- Related to the former point, you should become used to use constructors in all your classes. The constructor method or methods should be used to initialise the fields of any new object of that class.
- Be able to create classes in their own .java file, compile them using javac, and use those classes from Groovy or Java Decaf programs.
- Be able to cast simple types from one type to another.
- Be able to create and use arrays in one or more dimensions.

You should be able to finish most of non-star exercises in the lab. Remember that star exercises are more difficult. Do not try them unless the normal ones are clear to you.

1 Dividing integers

Create a Java class called Calculator. The class should implement the following methods, each of them printing the result on the screen.

- add(int, int)
- subtract(int, int)
- multiply(int, int)
- divide(int, int)
- modulus(int, int)

Note that you will will need to cast the parameters into double to perform exact division. Write a small Groovy or Java Decaf program that uses all the methods of Calculator.

2 Checking arrays

Create a new Java class called ArrayChecker with two methods:

isSymetrical(int[):] a method that returns true if the array of **int** provided as argument is symmetrical and false otherwise.

reverse(int[):] a method that takes an array of int and returns another array of int of the same size and with the same numbers, but in opposite order.

Write a Groovy script that creates an object of class ArrayChecker and uses its methods to check whether a few arrays are symmetrical and, if they are not, reverses them.

3 Copying arrays

Create a new Java class called ArrayCopier with a method called copy that takes two arrays of integers as parameters. The method should copy the elements of the first array (you can call it src, from "source") to the second one (dst, from "destination") as much as possible.

If the second array is smaller, then only those elements that fit will be copied. If the second array is larger, it will be filled with zeroes.

Write a Groovy script that creates an object of class ArrayCopier and uses its copy method to copy some arrays in all three cases:

- Both arrays are of the same size.
- The source array is longer.
- The source array is shorter.

4 Creating matrices

Create a class Matrix that has a 2-D array of integers as a field. The class should have methods for:

- a constructor method Matrix(int,int) setting the size of the array as two integers (not necessarily the same). All elements in the matrix should be initialised to 1.
- a method setElement(int,int,int) to modify one element of the array, given its position (the first two integers) and the new value to be put in that position (the third integer). The method must check that the indeces are valid before modifying the array to avoid an IndexOutOfBoundsException. If the indeces are invalid, the method will do nothing and the third argument will be ignored.
- a method setRow(int,String) that modifies one whole row of the array, given its position as an integer and the list of numbers as a String like "1,2,3". The method must check that the index is valid and the numbers are correct (i.e. if the array has three columns, the String contains three numbers). If the index or the String is invalid, the method will do nothing.
- a method setColumn(int,String) that modifies one whole column of the array, given its position as an integer and the list of numbers as a String like "1,2,3". The method must check that the index is valid and the numbers are correct (i.e. if the array has four rows, the String contains four numbers). If the index or the String is invalid, the method will do nothing.
- a method toString() that returns the values in the array as a String using square brackets, commas, and semicolons, e.g. "[1,2,3;4,5,6;3,2,1]".
- A method prettyPrint() that prints the values of the matrix on screen in a legible format. Hint: you can use the special character '\t' (backslash-t) to mark a tabulator so that all numbers are placed in the same column regardless of their size. You can think of a tabulator character as a move-to-the-next-column command when printing on the screen.

Create a Groovy program that uses all those methods from the Matrix class: creates matrices, modifies its elements (one-by-one, by rows, and by columns), and prints the matrix on the screeen.

5 One-liners for matrices (*)

Extend your Matrix class with a method setMatrix(String) that takes a String representing the numbers to be put in the elements of the array separated by commas, separating rows by semicolons, e.g. 1,2,3;4,5,6;7,8,9.

6 Symmetry looks pretty

Make a class MatrixChecker with three methods:

- isSymmetrical(int[]) takes an array of int and returns true if the array is symmetrical and false otherwise. An array is symetrical if the element at [0] is the same as the element at [length-1], the element at [1] is the same as the element at [length-2], etc.
- isSymmetrical(int[][]) takes an bidimensional array of int and returns true if the matrix is symmetrical and false otherwise. An matrix is symmetrical if m[i][j] == m[j][i] for any value of i and j.
- isTriangular(int[][]) takes an bidimensional array of int and returns true if the matrix is triangular¹ and false otherwise. An matrix is triangular if m[i][j] == 0 for any value of i that is greater than j.

Add some methods to your Matrix class from the other exercise to perform tests on the matrices you create using the methods from MatrixChecker. (Hint: these methods will need to create objects of type MatrixChecker).

¹A matrix can be up-triangular or low-triangular, but just checking one of the two is fine for this exercise.

7 Anti-aircraft aim (*)

Create an enumerated type Result in its own file. The enum must have 8 possible values: HIT, FAIL_LEFT, FAIL_RIGHT, FAIL_HIGH, FAIL_LOW, FAIL_SHORT, FAIL_LONG, OUT_OF_RANGE. Hint: the enum must be public.

Then create a Java class Target with the following methods:

- A constructor method Target(int) that creates a 3-D array of integers of the proposed size in all three dimensions. All elements must be set to zero.
- A method called init() that sets all the elements in the matrix to 0 except one —selected randomly— that will be set to 1. Hint: Remember that you can get a random integer between 0 and N (not including N) by using int numberToGuess = (int) Math.abs(N * Math.random()).
- fire(int,int,int) a method that checks whether the element determined by the indexes is 1 and returns a type Result according to the result: Result.HIT if the element is 1, Result.FAIL_LEFT if the element of value one is "to the left" (you must decide what left and right are in your 3-D array), etc. If any of the indexes is too big (or negative), the method must return Result.OUT_OF_RANGE. Left-right information takes precedence over high-low, and this takes precedence over short-long. If the 1 is to the left and behind, the output should be Result.FAIL_LEFT.

Write a small program that tells the user they must hit a flying target, and then let the user try to find it by introducing three indeces. The program should use an object of class Target to know whether the user hit or not, and provide feedback accordingly. Here is a sample out of such a program in a space 10x10x10.

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Here they come! Try to bring the plane down!
Enter a coordinate X: 30
Enter a coordinate Y: 4
Enter a coordinate Z: 5
That shot is way out of range. Try harder!
Enter a coordinate X: 3
Enter a coordinate Y: 4
Enter a coordinate Z: 5
You missed! The target is to the right!
Enter a coordinate X: 5
Enter a coordinate Y: 4
Enter a coordinate Z: 1
You missed! The target is farther!
Enter a coordinate X: 5
Enter a coordinate Y: 4
Enter a coordinate Z: 5
You hit it! Well done!
Would you like to play again? y
Here they come! Try to bring the plane down!
Enter a coordinate X:
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8 Big enough (*)

Write a small program that asks for the names and IDs of all employees in a small company, and store them in an array of integers and an array of Strings. (You will need to create a Java class to hold the arrays, and to access them).

This is similar to the example from the notes, but you do not know the number of employees in advance. Read the names and IDs of employees until the user enters an empty name (i.e. length 0) or an ID equal to 0.

Once you have finished reading employee data, go through the employee list and print the names and IDs of those employees whose ID is even or their names start with "S".

(Hint: As you do not know how many employees you need in advance, you will need a growing array. Create a small array, if it gets full create an array twice as big, copy all data to the new array, and discard the old array, etc).