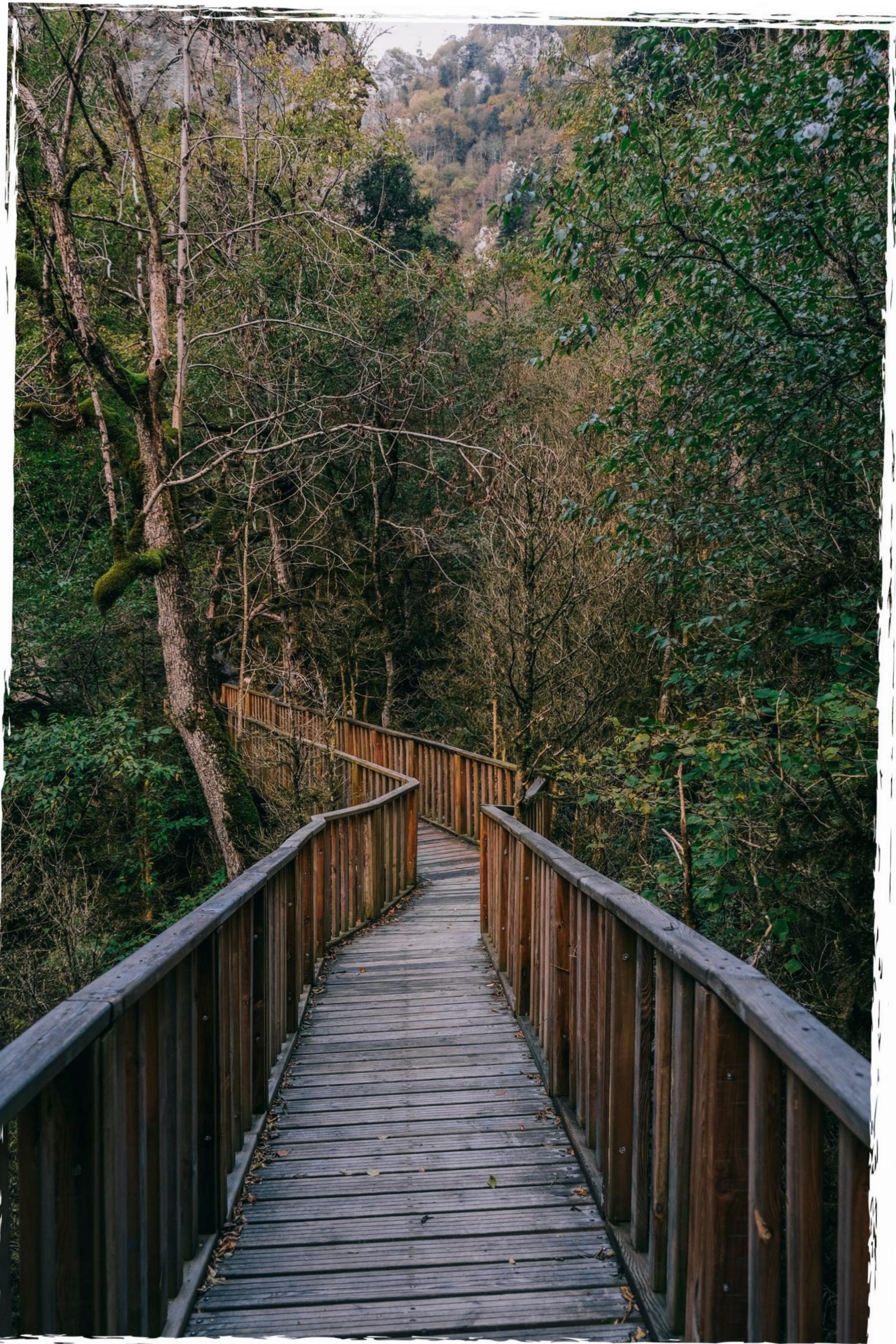


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Nesting, 2D Arrays & COMP1007



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COMP1007 - Unit Learning Outcomes

- Identify appropriate primitive data types required for the translation of pseudocode algorithms into Java;
- Design in pseudocode simple classes and implement them in Java in aLinux command-line environment;
- Design in pseudocode and implement in Java structured procedural algorithms in a Linux command-line environment;
- Apply design and programming skills to implement known algorithms in real world applications; and
- Reflect on design choices and communicate design and design decisions in a manner appropriate to the audience.

Outline

- Nested Loops
- 2D Arrays
- Methods & Design
- Methods
- Parameters
- Example Code

Nested Loops



Nested Loops

- Control structures can be nested inside other control structures;
- IF–THEN–ELSE inside IF–THEN–ELSE
- A loop inside a loop;
- Be careful of algorithm efficiency (inefficiency);
- Nesting loops inside another loop exponentially increases the number of processing steps;
- Good use of indentation is essential for human readability.

Nested Loop Example

- Write an algorithm that receives a number between 1 and 12 (inclusive), then outputs the times tables (1 to 12) between 1 and the input number.

```
Enter a number in the range 1 to 12: 3
The 1 Times Table
1 x 1 = 1
...
1 x 12 = 12
The 2 Times Table
2 x 1 = 2
...
2 x 12 = 24
The 3 Times Table
3 x 1 = 3
...
3 x 12 = 36
```

Nested Loop Example: Pseudocode

```
num = -1
WHILE(num < 1) OR (num > 12)
    OUTPUT 'Enter a number in the range 1 to 12'
    num = GET user input
ASSERTION: num in the range 1 to 12 inclusive

FOR table = 1 TO num CHANGEBY 1
    OUTPUT 'The ' table ' Times Table'
    FOR number = 1 TO 12 CHANGEBY 1
        OUPTUT table " x " number " = " (table * number)
    ENDFOR
    ASSERTION: table Times Table is output to the user
ENDFOR
ASSERTION: one to n Times Table is output to the user
```

Nested Loop Example: Java

```
import java.util.*;
public class NestedLoop
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int num = -1;
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        while ((num < 1) || (num > 12))
        {
            System.out.print("Enter a number in the range 1 to 12: ");
            num = sc.nextInt();
        }
        for (int table = 1; table <= num ; table++)
        {
            System.out.println("The " + table + " Times Table ");
            for (int number = 1; number <= 12; number++)
            {
                System.out.println(table + " x " + number + " = " + (table * number));
            }
        }
        sc.close();
    }
}
```

Nested Loops and Algorithm Complexity

- Algorithm Complexity can indicate algorithm efficiency;
- Attempts to show the rate of increase in processing steps as a function of the amount of data being processed;
- Algorithm complexity covered in DSA (COMP1002).

Algorithm Complexity

- Let's consider the previous example with nested FOR loops;

```
for (int table = 1; table <= num ; table ++)  
{  
    System.out.println("The " + table + " Times Table ");  
    for (int number = 1; number <= 12; number ++)  
    {  
        System.out.println(table + " x " + number + " = " + (table * number ));  
    }  
}
```

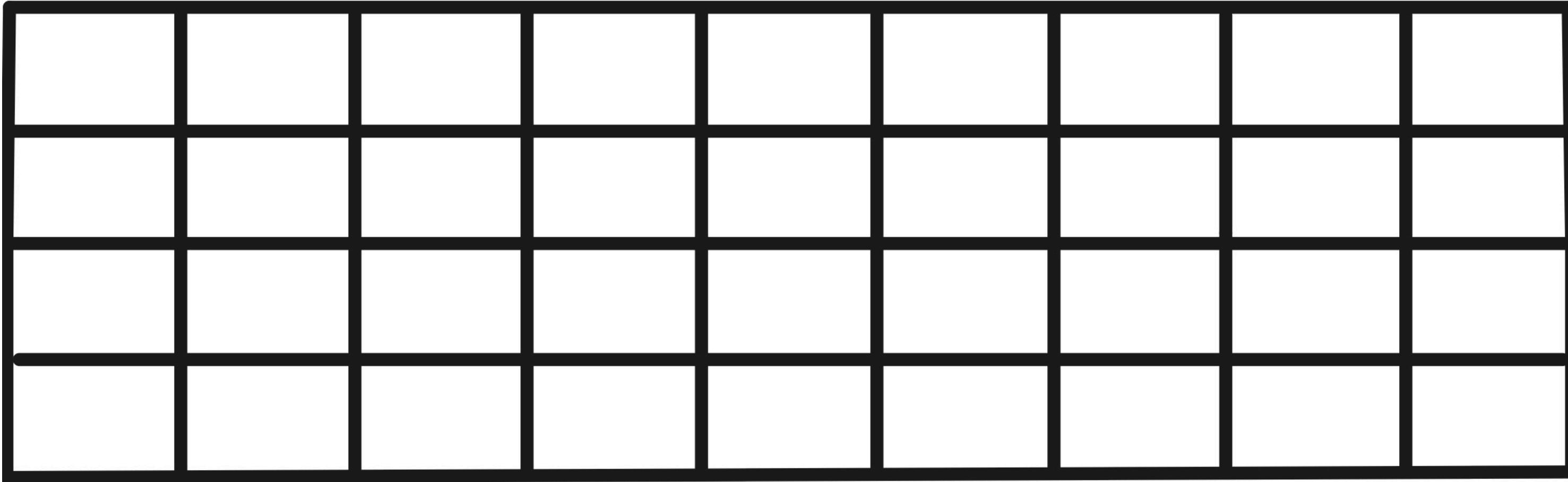
- When the user inputs 6, how many times did the statement `System.out.println(table + ...);` (Line 6) execute?
- How about when the user inputs 12?

2D Arrays



Two-Dimensional Arrays (2D arrays)

- A 2D array expands the concept of the array:



- Access to array elements: still via an index or subscript;
- The index contains 2 numbers, one for the row, one for the column;
- Row numbering starts at 0;
- Column numbering starts at 0.

Creating a 2D Array in Java

- Creating a 2D array with 4 rows and 9 columns for integers:

```
int [][] twoDArray = new int [4][9];
```

0,0	0,1	0,2						
1,0								
2,0						2,7	2,8	
3,0						3,7	3,8	

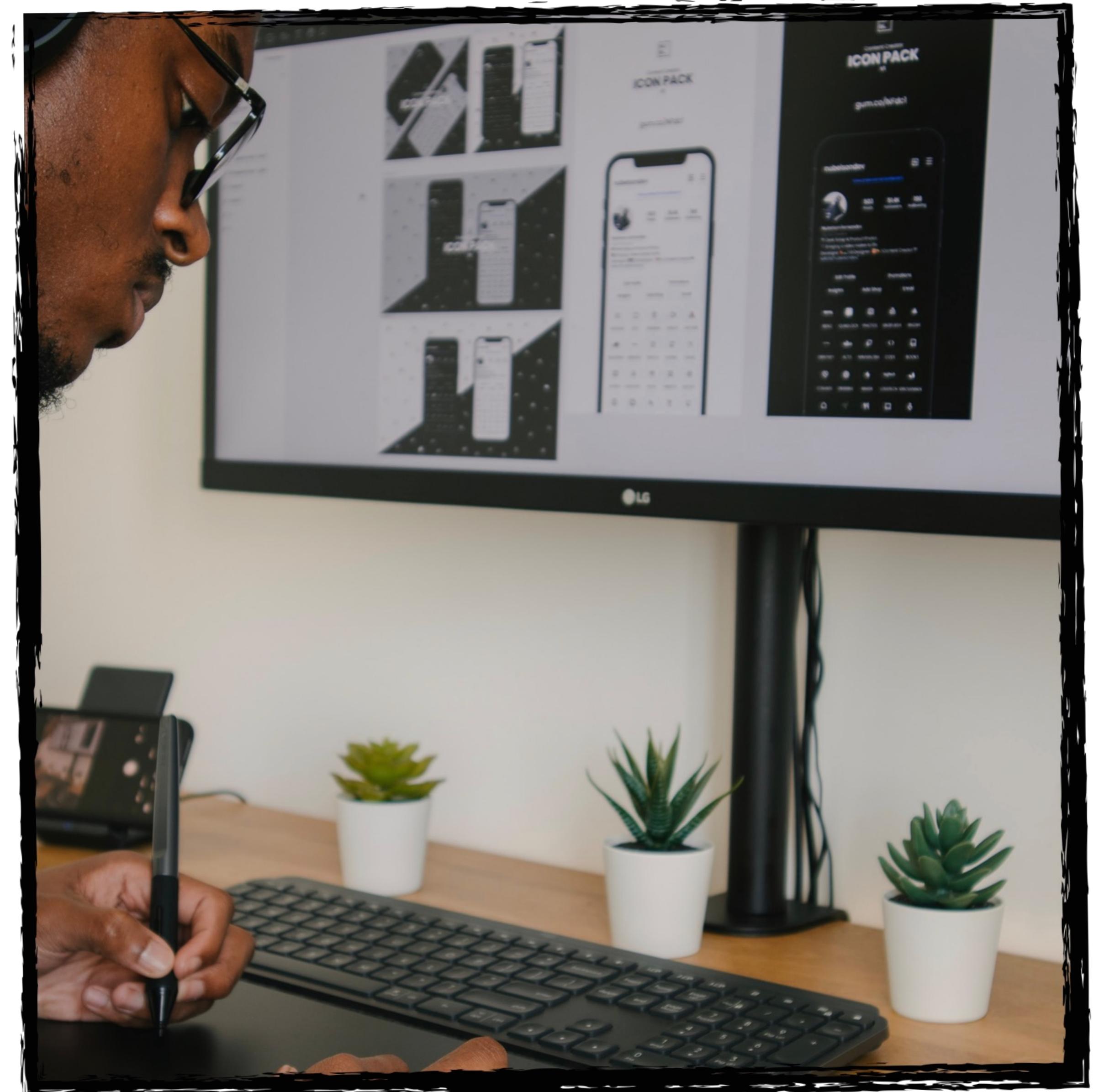
- Above is the 2D array (with some index numbering);
- A way to access elements is via a nested for loop.

Java Code

```
import java.util.*;
public class UsingTwoDArrays
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int [][] myTwoDArray;
        myTwoDArray = new int[10][10];

        for(int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
        {
            for(int j = 0; j < 10; j++)
            {
                myTwoDArray[i][j] = j;
            }
        }
        for(int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
        {
            for(int j = 0; j < 10; j++)
            {
                System.out.print(myTwoDArray[i][j] + " ");
            }
            System.out.println();//Print on the next line
        }
    }
}
```

Methods & Design



Modularity

- Methods: used to break algorithms into smaller parts;
- Each method performs one task and one task only:
 - Ease of design;
 - Readability;
 - Code re-use;
 - Debugging.



main() Method

- main() is a Java program's starting point;
- Within main():
 - Other methods are invoked;
 - Objects can be created;

public static	void	main	(String[] args)	{...}
method type/modifiers	return type	name	parameters	code

- Parameters for main() are covered later.

Methods (also known as functions)

```
public double multiplyTwoNumbers(double numOne, double numTwo)
{
    double product = 0.0;
    product = numOne * numTwo;
    return product;
}
```

- A method has a header consisting of:
 - Modifiers: public, private (there are others);
 - Data type the method returns (void if nothing returned);
 - Method name;
 - Parameter list;
 - Exception list (not shown & covered later).
- A method has a body enclosed in braces { } that does the computation.

Methods

- Plan and design your methods;
 - Use pseudocode (especially in PDI);
- Look at the requirements;
- For each task in the requirement specification, ask the question:
“Is there a written & tested method that does this already?”
 - Yes: Use it;
 - No: Design, create and test one.

Designing Methods

- Think: what does the algorithm supply to the method?
- Think: what does the method return to the algorithm?
- When designing it, create it like this:
 - IMPORT: data supplied to the method;
 - EXPORT: data returned from the method to the calling method;
 - ASSERTION: what is true after the method executes.
 - Assertions statements assist in debugging the algorithm
 - Sometimes no assertion can be made.

Comments

- Comment blocks are used to describe methods;
- Generally contain:
 - Method Contract:
 - IMPORT, EXPORT and ASSERTION.
 - Purpose of the method (its job);
 - Authors;
 - Dates created and modified.
- Generally omitted from lecture notes due to space;
- Expectation is you use them in your programs/classes.

Comment Blocks

```
*****  
 * Author : David A McMeekin          *  
 * Created: 29/02/2003                  *  
 * Purpose: To do something amazing    *  
*****  
public class MyJavaApp  
{  
    public static void main(String[] args)  
    {  
        // Code  
    } // End main  
  
*****  
 * Name: myMethod                      *  
 * Date: 29/02/2003                     *  
 * Import: a (int), b (int)              *  
 * Export: val (double)                 *  
 * Purpose: Do a part of something     *  
*****  
public static double myMethod(int a, int b)  
{  
    // Code  
} // End myMethod  
} // End Class
```

void Methods

- Do their job and pass control back to calling method;
- Have no return value: i.e., no export.



Example void method: Pseudo Code

```
MAIN:  
    sayHello("David")  
END MAIN  
  
METHOD: sayHello  
IMPORT: aParam  
EXPORT: none  
ALGORITHM:  
    DISPLAY "I'm saying hello to " aParam  
END METHOD
```

Example void method: Java

```
import java.util.*;
public class MyWorldClass
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        sayHello("David"); //Calling sayHello() method
    } // "David" is the argument

    // METHOD: sayHello
    // IMPORT: aParam (String)
    // EXPORT: none
    public static void sayHello(String aParam)
    {
        System.out.println("I'm saying hello to " + aParam);
    }
}
```

Invoking or Calling methods

- Two possibilities when calling methods:
 - The calling and called method are in the same class; or
 - The calling and called method are in different classes.
- Methods in the same class are invoked as in previous example;
- Non static methods in a different class are invoked via an Object variable:
 - `objectName.methodName();`
 - `sc.nextDouble();`
- Static methods in a different class are invoked by specifying the class name:
 - `Math.sqrt(9);`

More on Methods



Methods

- In Java methods can return a single piece of data to the calling method:
- The return data type is shown in the method header:

```
public int calculateMyAge(String name)
```

- Remember void methods do not return anything:

```
public void sayHello(String aParam)
```

Functions/Methods

- Most non-trivial arithmetic uses various functions:
 - sin, log, sqrt, etc.
- Calculators have predefined functions that return a value when given argument(s):
 - Provide x and it returns $\sin(x)$;
 - Arguments are passed to methods as parameters.

Functions/Methods Java

- In Java, functions are implemented as non-void methods;
- The Java Math class provides a library math methods;
- Predefined functions avoid reinventing the wheel & allow reusability of written and tested code:
 - If a function does not exist then write the method for it.
 - Values are passed to a function in the argument list;
 - A single result (value) is returned from the function.

Java Math Class

- In maths a function maps a set of inputs to an output value:
$$z = f(x, y);$$
- Java Math class contains methods that perform non-trivial mathematical calculations;
- Is part of the package.java.lang which is automatically imported into every Java program.

Java Math Class

- It is **final**, has no subclasses (see later), has no constructors and methods are **static**:
 - The class name must always be used before the method name (slide 28);
 - e.g., `Math.sqrt(x)`;
- Two constants:
 - `Math.E`
 - `Math.PI`

Some Math class Methods

Function	Argument	Constraints	Result
abs(x)	int/long/float,double		Same as arg
ceil(x)	double		double
floor(x)	double		double
round(x)	float,double		int/long
rint(x)	double		double
os(x)	double	x in radians	double
exp(x)	double		double
log(x)	double	x > 0	double
pow(x,y)	double	x^y, x > 0	double
sqrt(x)	double	x >= 0	double
max(x,y)	int/long/float,double		Same as arg
min(x,y)	int/long/float,double		Same as arg

Examples

Expression	Result
<code>Math.round(2.6)</code>	3
<code>Math.round(-3.15)</code>	-3
<code>Math.rint(-3.7)</code>	-4.0
<code>Math.ceil(3.7)</code>	4.0
<code>Math.floor(3.7)</code>	3.0
<code>Math.pow(2.0, 3.0)</code>	8.0
<code>Math.sqrt(-9)</code>	NaN
<code>Math.abs(-4)</code>	4
<code>Math.abs(4.0)</code>	4.0

Method Example: Pseudocode

```
MAIN:  
    INPUT inches  
    cms = convertInchesToCms <- inches  
    OUTPUT "CMs are: " + cms  
END MAIN  
  
METHOD: convertInchesToCms  
IMPORT: ins  
EXPORT: cm  
ALGORITHM:  
    cm = ins * 2.54  
END convertInchesToCms
```

Method Example: Java

```
/* Title:      InchesToCmConverter
   Author:     David A. McMeekin
   Created:    06/09/2020
   Modified:   23/03/2022
   Desc:       Simple example class for Lecture Five*/

import java.util.*;
public class InchesToCmConverter
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        double inches = 0.0, cms = 0.0;
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Input inches: ");
        inches = sc.nextDouble();
        cms = convertInchesToCms(inches);
        System.out.println("CMs are: " + cms);
    }

    private static double convertInchesToCms(double pIns)
    {
        double cm;
        cm = pIns * 2.54;
        return cm;
    }
}
```

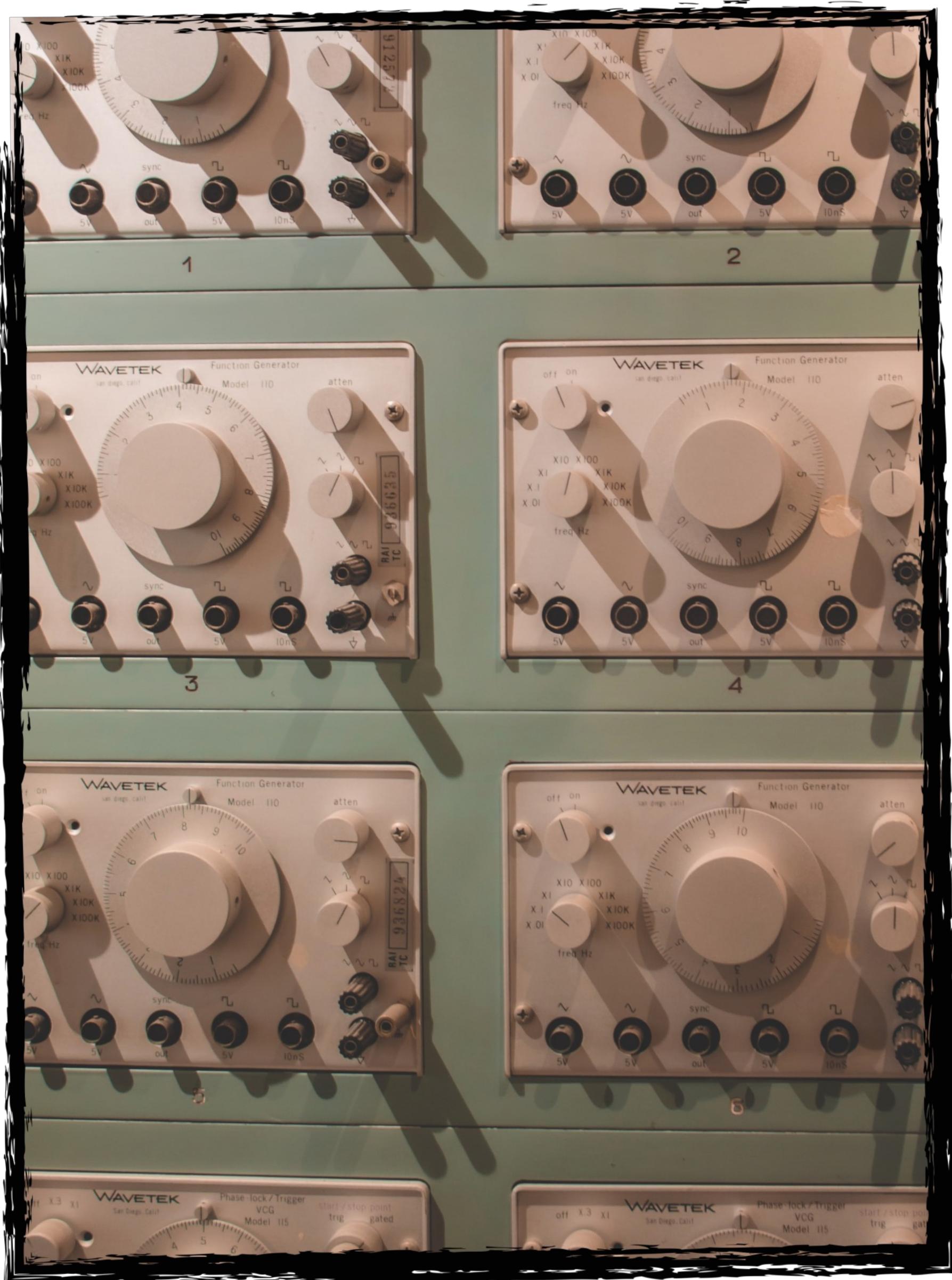
Method Example 2: Pseudocode

```
MAIN:  
    INPUT x  
    INPUT y  
    average = calculateMean(x, y)  
    OUTPUT average  
END MAIN  
  
METHOD: calculateMean  
IMPORT: a, b  
EXPORT: mean  
ALGORITHM:  
    mean = (a + b) / 2.0  
END calculateMean
```

Method Example (2): Java

```
/* Title:      CalculateTheMean
   Author:     David A. McMeekin
   Created:    06/09/2020
   Modified:   23/03/2022 */
import java.util.*;
public class CalculateTheMean
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int x, y; double avg;
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter an integer: ");
        x = sc.nextInt();
        System.out.print("Enter another integer: ");
        y = sc.nextInt();
        avg = calculateMean(x, y);
        System.out.println("Mean " + x + " & " + y + " is: " + avg);
    }
    *****
    * METHOD: calculateMean*
    * IMPORT: pA (int), pB (int)    *
    * EXPORT: mean (double)*
    *****
    private static double calculateMean(int pA, int pB)
    {
        return (double)(pA + pB) / 2.0;
    }
}
```

Parameters



Method Parameters

- For some methods to work, they require data when called;
- Data used in the method call is an argument;
- This data arriving in the method is called a parameter;
- Parameters are local variables to the method.

Method Parameters (2)

- Parameters are initialised with the argument values;
- `pIns` and `localCM` are local variables to the method `convertInchesToCms()`;
- 'p' is the parameter's first letter indicating it's a parameter (optional).

```
...
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    double inches = 0.0, cms = 0.0;
    Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
    System.out.print("Input inches: ");
    inches = sc.nextDouble();
    cms = convertInchesToCms(inches);
    System.out.println("CMs are: " + cms);
}

private static double convertInchesToCms(double pIns)
{
    double localCM;
    localCM = pIns * 2.54;
    return localCM;
}
...
```

Modular Grade Example Pseudocode

```
METHOD: markGrade
IMPORT: pMark (Integer)
EXPORT: grade (Character)
ALGORITHM:
    newMark = pMark DIV 10
    CASE newMark OF
        8, 9 or 10
        grade = 'H'
        7
        grade = 'D'
        6
        grade = 'C'
        5
        grade = 'P'
        DEFAULT
        grade = 'F'
    ENDCASE
END markGrade
```

Modular Grade Example Java Code

```
public static char markGrade(int pMark)
{
    int newMark = pMark / 10; char grade;
    switch(newMark)
    {
        case 8: case 9: case 10:
            grade = 'H';
            break;
        case 7:
            grade = 'D';
            break;
        case 6:
            grade = 'C';
            break;
        case 5:
            grade = 'P';
            break;
        default:
            grade = 'F';
    }
    return grade;
}
```

Special/Interesting Cases

- Some programming languages pass parameters in a different manner:
 - It's called passing by reference (covered in UCP (COMP1000)).
- In Java, two data types are automatically passed by reference:
 - Objects; and
 - Arrays (a special type of object).
- A parameter which is of a particular class type will contain the object's address (a reference to the original object);
 - Modification to the object are reflected in the original method;
- RELAX: Classes are covered in another lecture.

Worked Example: Times Table



Modular Algorithm Design: Pseudocode

```
MAIN:  
    OUTPUT 'Welcome to the Times Tables!'  
    maxTable = userInput(1, 12)  
    FOR table = 1 TO maxTable CHANGE BY 1  
        outputTable(table)  
    ENDFOR  
    ASSERTION: 1 to maxTable times table output to user.  
END MAIN
```

Modular Algorithm Design: Pseudocode

- A possible algorithm to get user input:

```
METHOD: userInput
IMPORT: pLower (Integer), pUpper (Integer)
EXPORT: number (Integer)
ASSERTION: value will be in the range of lower and upper
ALGORITHM:
START:
    WHILE((number <= pLower) OR (number => pUpper)) DO
        OUTPUT Enter a number in the range 'pLower' to 'pUpper'
        number = GET user input
    ENDWHILE
    ASSERTION: pLower <= value <= pUpper
END inputValueFromUser
```

Modular Output Table: Pseudocode

```
METHOD: outputTable
IMPORT: pTable (Integer)
EXPORT: none
ASSERTION: pTable is in the range of 1 to 12
ALGORITHM:
    OUTPUT 'The ' pTable ' Times Table'
    FOR number = 1 TO 12 CHANGEBY 1
        OUTPUT pTable ' x ' number ' = ' (pTable x number)
    ENDFOR
    ASSERTION: pTable Times Table is output to the user
END outputTable
```

Modular Algorithm Design in Java: main()

```
import java.util.*;
public class TimesTable
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int maxTable;
        System.out.println("Welcome to the times tables!");
        maxTable = userInput(1, 12);

        for(int table = 1; table <= maxTable; table++)
        {
            outputTable(table);
        }
    }
}
```

Modular Algorithm Design in Java: userInput()

```
public static int userInput(int lower, int upper)
{
    int number = -1;
    Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);

    while((number <= lower) || (upper <= number))
    {
        System.out.print("Enter a value between " + lower + " and " + upper + ":");
        number = sc.nextInt();
    }
    return number;
}
```

Modular Algorithm Design in Java: outputTable()

```
public static void outputTable(int table)
{
    System.out.println("The " + table + " Times Table");
    for(int number = 1; number <= 12; number++)
    {
        System.out.println(table + " x " + number + " = " + (table * number));
    }
}
```