

## Introduction

The objective of this assignment is to create a calculator to compute arithmetic operations between integers and/or fractions and output the result as a reduced mixed fraction.

## Specifications

### Input

Input will be in the form of a value, followed by an arithmetic operator, and then another value. Values and operators will be separated by a single space. Values will contain no spaces.

Input values may be in the form of mixed fractions, proper fractions, improper fractions or integers. The integer and fraction parts of a mixed fraction will be separated by an underscore ( `_` ) (e.g., `"1_3/4"` is one and three fourths to distinguish it from `"13/4"` which is thirteen fourths).

The calculator will support the 4 basic arithmetic operations: add (+), subtract (-), multiply (\*), and divide (/).

The program should accept an equation, calculate the result in the proper form, print it to screen, and then be ready to accept another equation. The user should be able to exit the program by entering the command `"quit"` instead of an equation.

*See the examples section below for clarification.*

### Output

The output value must always be reduced and never improper (it may be an integer, fraction, or mixed fraction, as appropriate). Example: a result of `10/4` should be printed to the screen as `2_1/2`.

*See the examples section below for clarification.*

## Examples

Input	Output	Notes
<code>1/4 + 1_1/2</code>	<code>1_3/4</code>	
<code>8/4 + 2</code>	<code>4</code>	Input may be an improper fraction.
<code>-1 * -1/2</code>	<code>1/2</code>	
<code>-11/17 + -1/17</code>	<code>-12/17</code>	
<code>0 * 25_462/543</code>	<code>0</code>	Remember to check for border/special cases.

Use the included unit tests (described below) to thoroughly check your program, well beyond the above examples. We use these same tests to grade your project.

## Code Organization

You must organize your code in the following way to receive credit for your project. If you deviate from this, your unit tests will fail, and significant points will be deducted from your grade.

1. You must complete the implementation for the following method, inside your `FracCalc.java` file:

```
public static String produceAnswer(String input)
```

This method receives a single line of user input as its parameter (for example, `"3_1/2 + 1/4"`), and returns the answer (for example, `"3_3/4"`). *This method does not print anything!*

2. Your `main()` method must use a `Scanner` to receive input from the user, call `produceAnswer` with that input, and then print the answer that was returned by `produceAnswer`. Your `main` method eventually is responsible for *repeatedly* reading input from the user, calling `produceAnswer()`, printing the result, and ending once the user types `"quit"`, although in the first checkpoint only one line of input needs to be read, with a single response printed to the console.
3. **Your code must pass the unit tests** for the checkpoint you're submitting. If all the tests fail, that is a sign your code is organized incorrectly. Fix before submitting to us.

## Comments

- You will not need to worry about integer overflows for this assignment.
- Use the unit tests! You control your destiny by ensuring your grade before you submit to us.
- The topics we have been learning in class are designed to allow you to complete this assignment. Remember to review your notes and the textbook.
  - `Scanner`, `indexOf`, `substring`, etc.

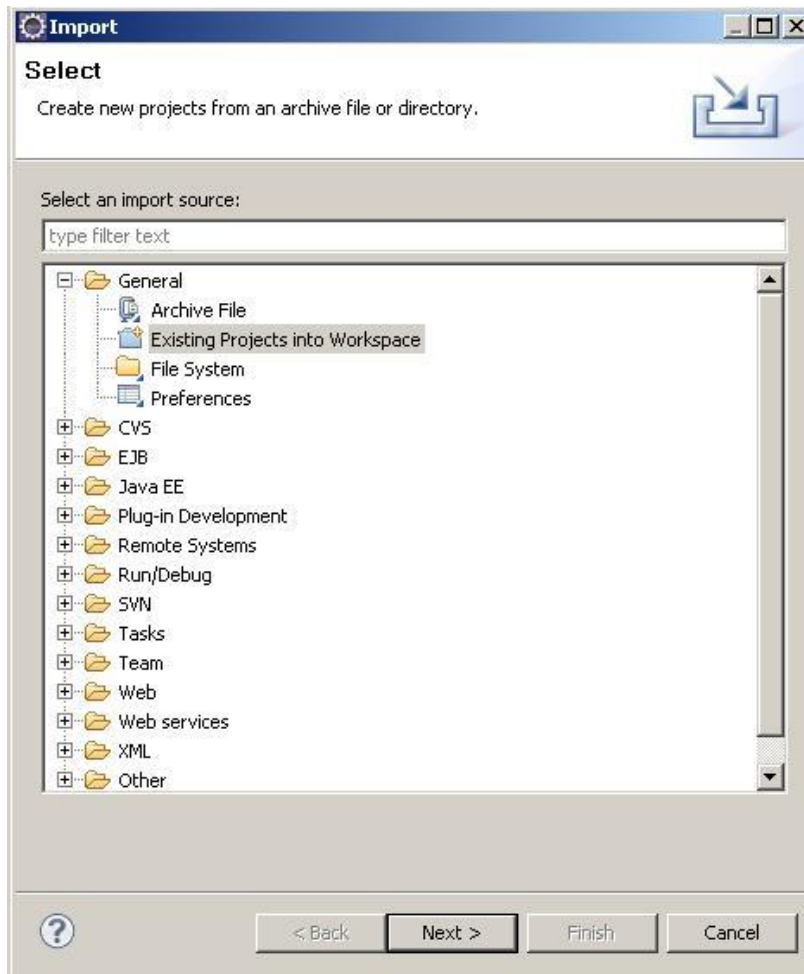
## Getting Started

These instructions will result in a brand new project, which includes the Unit Testing infrastructure that will make it easy for you verify your fractional calculator.

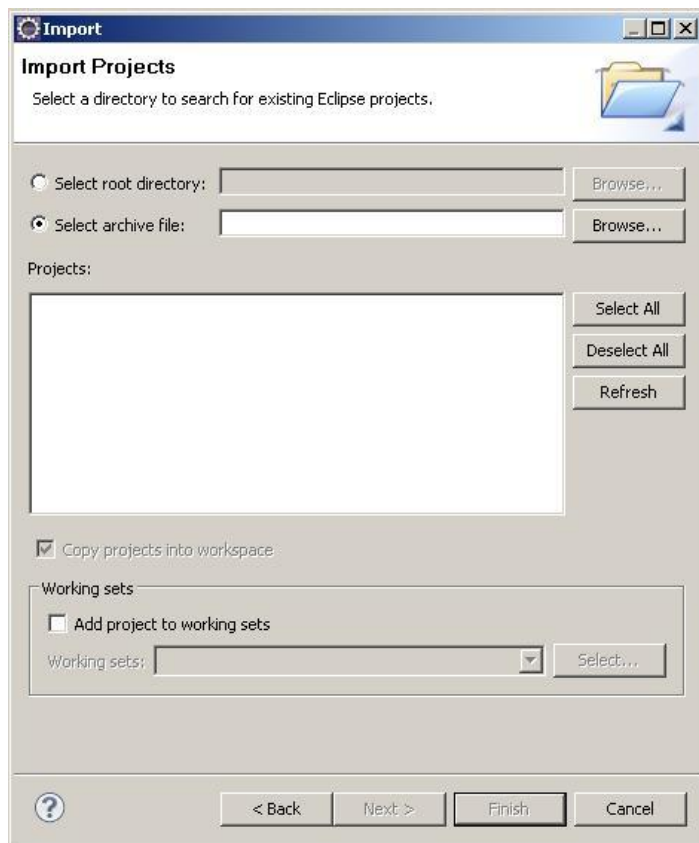
1. Open Eclipse
2. If you already have a project in your workspace named `"FracCalc"`, you will need to rename it so that it does not collide with the project you are now importing. You can rename a project by right-

clicking the project in the Package Explorer window, choosing Refactor, Rename, and then typing in the new name.

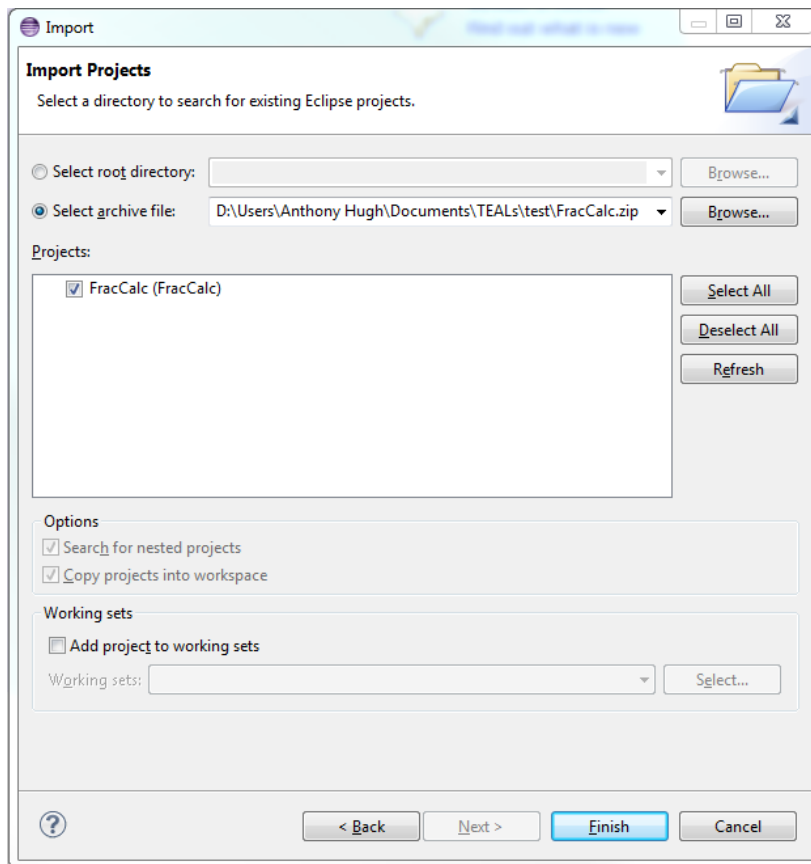
3. Go to File → Import. The following dialog will appear.



4. Select Existing Projects into Workspace.
5. Click Next
6. Click the radio button next to **Select archive file** and click the Browse button

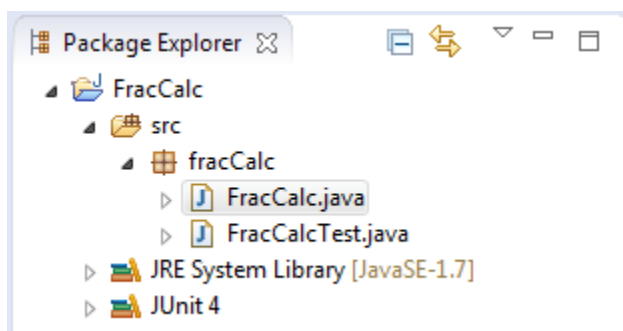


7. Navigate to FracCalc.zip and select it
8. Make sure the FracCalc project is selected in the projects area

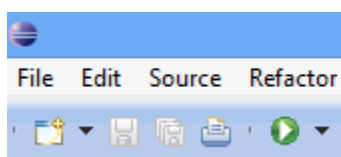


9. Click Finish

10. You should have the project imported in the Package Explorer on the left hand side. You will do your work in **FracCalc.java**.



11. To run all tests, **open FracCalcTestALL.java**, and click the green play button on the toolbar.



## Checkpoints

There will be 3 checkpoints to ensure that the calculator is on track for completion. They are required, and are worth a substantial part of your grade (see breakdown below). You must submit them on time to receive full credit.

### Checkpoint 1: Parsing one line of input

- Your `main()` method creates a Scanner, reads one line of input, and passes that input to `produceAnswer`.
- `produceAnswer` breaks up that line of input into three Strings: the first operand (fraction), the operator (+ - \* /), and the second operand (fraction). Each of these Strings should be stored in variables inside `produceAnswer`.
- `produceAnswer` returns the second operand. For example, `produceAnswer("1_2/3 + 4_5/6")` returns `"4_5/6"`.
- `main()` prints the result returned by `produceAnswer`

### Checkpoint 2: Multiple lines of input, parsing fractions

- Your `main()` method now accepts input from the user multiple times (until the user types "quit")
- For each line of input, `main` calls `produceAnswer()` and prints the returned result
- This time, `produceAnswer` must further parse each operand into 3 integer variables, one each for the numerator, denominator, and whole portion (for mixed fractions or integers). Note that there are cases where not all 3 of these components are present (see below).
- `produceAnswer` now must demonstrate you have parsed fractions properly by returning a string that describes each component of the second operand: the whole number portion (or 0 if not specified), the numerator (or 0 if not specified), and the denominator (or 1 if not specified).  
Examples:
  - `produceAnswer("5_3/4 - 6_5/8")` returns `"whole:6 numerator:5 denominator:8"`
  - `produceAnswer("-3/7 - 20")` returns `"whole:20 numerator:0 denominator:1"`
  - `produceAnswer("-32 - 27/21")` returns `"whole:0 numerator:27 denominator:21"`

**Note:** your spelling, casing, and spacing must match these examples exactly, or the tests will fail and you will not receive full credit.

**Note:** `produceAnswer` must parse **both** operands even though the returned String describes only the second one

**Checkpoint 3: Evaluation**

- *produceAnswer* must now evaluate the formula it is given (performing addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division, based on the operator specified), and return the actual answer of that calculation (instead of just returning the second operand).
- The *answer* need not be reduced, and need not be a mixed fraction. But it must be correct.
- All kinds of *input values* the user might enter must be accepted, including simple fractions, improper fractions, mixed fractions, and integers.

**Final Project: All requirements complete**

- All answers must be reduced
- All tests should pass

**Extra Credit**

*Do not spend time on extra credit until you have everything else working properly.*

**1. Multiple Operations**

- This extra credit will be awarded for calculators that can take in arbitrarily many values and operators. This will only be tested with compatible operations such that all equations are evaluated from left to right, in the order they appear (i.e. you will not need to worry about order of operations).

Input	Output
$1 + 2 + 3$	6
$3/4 * 4$	3
$-1/2 * 4 + 3/4$	$-1\_1/4$
$5\_3/4 - -6\_8/8 - 5\_3/4$	7

**2. Error Handling**

- This extra credit will be awarded for calculators that do not crash when erroneous input is provided, but instead print useful error messages. Any error encountered based on user input should print "ERROR: " to the screen followed by an informative error message.

Input	Output
$1/0 + 1$	ERROR: Cannot divide by zero.
$1 ++ 2$	ERROR: Input is in an invalid format.

## Grading Breakdown

REQUIREMENT	POINTS
Input Parsing	15
Addition & Subtraction	20
Multiplication & Division	20
Fraction Reduction	15
Output is a Mixed Fraction	15
Handles Mixed Fractions	10
Handles Negatives	15
Checkpoints	35
Code Comments	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>150 points</b>
<i>Extra: Multiple Operations</i>	4
<i>Extra: Error Handling</i>	4