Assignment #4

Goals: Use methods

- This lab gives students more experience in:
 - Problem Solving
 - Writing Java programs and methods
 - Writing Algorithms, using Pseudocode

Problem Description

In this assignment, you will perform calculations with triangles. A triangle is defined by the x- and y-coordinates of its three corner points. Your job is to compute the perimeter of a given triangle.

The following is a sample program output:

This program calculates the perimeter of a Triangle.

Please enter the x-coordinate of point1: 5 Please enter the y-coordinate of point1: 5

Please enter the y-coordinate of point1. 5 Please enter the x-coordinate of point2: 6

Please enter the y-coordinate of point2: 7

Please enter the x-coordinate of point3: 8

Please enter the y-coordinate of point3: 5

The perimeter of a Triangle with point 1(5, 5), point 2(6, 7) and point 3(8, 5) is 8.064495

Would you like to repeat the program? No

End of the program.

Notes:

- Your program should display appropriate error messages in case of invalid inputs. This should be done by creating and invoking a method called *verify_input* in your program
 - You may only accept positive integer numbers for the x- and y-coordinates of the three points.
 - You may only accept the points located on the 40 X 40 grid.
 - You may reject the input if the three points make a line and not a triangle.
- To calculate the square root of a number stored in variable "data", use the Math.sqrt(data).

- You may use the Pythagoras' theorem to calculate the length of the triangle sides.
- Your program should repeat as long as the user wishes.
- Please use methods for this assignment. For example, create a method to verify the input and display appropriate error messages in case of invalid input.

- Create an external document for this assignment; Write the pseudocode algorithm for verify_input method in a word or pdf file.
- Make a folder containing your source code, and external document file, zip the folder and submit the zip file to BrightSpace.

Marking Scheme

[5 marks] Presentation/Style: Organization, readability, descriptive identifier, indentation, bracket placement.

[50 marks] Correctness: Program (using methods) works without bugs

[15 marks] Error checking: Appropriate error messages to the user when invalid input is entered.

[10 marks] using methods: The class should contain at least two methods, including the main method.

[20 marks] Documentation: Internal and external document