

Foundation of Programming

User Define Method

Writing Your Own Methods

- Like Java's methods, a method that you create:
- Has a *name*
- May accept *arguments*
- May return a *value*
- May be used as part of an expression.

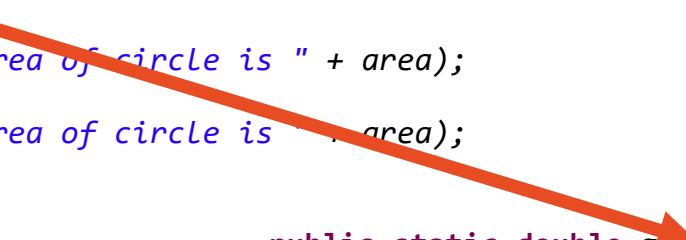
When to use methods ?

- The similar code comes again and again
 - With the same operation by may be different value
- Code reusable

```
double area = 0;
area = Math.PI * Math.pow(5, 2);
System.out.println("The area is " + area);
area = Math.PI * Math.pow(7, 2);
System.out.println("The area is " + area);
```

```
double area = 0;
area = getCircleArea(5);
System.out.println("The area of circle is " + area);
area = getCircleArea(7);
System.out.println("The area of circle is " + area);
```

```
public static double getCircleArea(double radius){
    return Math.PI * Math.pow(radius, 2);
}
```



Methods that Return a Value

- The number of calories used while running depends on the runner's weight as well as the distance that he/she has run
- A common rule of thumb used to estimate the number of calories burned is:

$$\text{calories} = .653 \times \text{weight} \times \text{distance}$$

where `weight` is the runner's weight in pounds
`distance` is in miles.

Methods that Return a Value

- Write a program that calculates the number of calories burned as a function of weight and distance.
- Include a method:

```
double caloriesBurned(double weight, double distance)
```

accepts two arguments of type double, and returns a value of type double.



The method *double* `caloriesBurned(double weight, double distance)`

Methods that Return a Value

```
import java.util.*;

public class RunnersCalculator
{

    public static double caloriesBurned(double weight, double distance)
    {

        // returns the number of calories burned using the formula
        // calories = .653 × weight × distance

        double calories = .653* weight *distance;
        return calories;
    }
}
```

Methods that Return a Value

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Scanner input;
    double myWeight, myDistance, totalCalories;

    input = new Scanner(System.in);
    System.out.print("Enter weight in pounds: ");
    myWeight = input.nextDouble();

    System.out.print("Enter distance in miles: ");
    myDistance = input.nextDouble();

    totalCalories = caloriesBurned(myWeight, myDistance);
    System.out.println("Calories burned: "+ totalCalories);
}
}
```


Output

Enter weight in pounds: 165.0

Enter distance in miles: 6.0

Calories burned: 646.47

Discussion

- Like all Java applications, `RunnersCalculator`
 - begins execution with `main(...)` (lines 11 - 22)
 - Within `main(...)` there is a call to the method `caloriesBurned(...)` on line 24:

```
24. totalCalories = caloriesBurned(myWeight, myDistance);
```

- `caloriesBurned(...)` has two arguments:
 - `myWeight` and
 - `myDistance`;
- the returned value is assigned to the variable *totalCalories*.

- The instructions of the method `caloriesBurned(...)` are specified on lines 9 and 10:

```
double calories = .653* weight *distance;  
return calories;
```

- Line 5 is the header of the method:

```
public static double caloriesBurned(double weight, double distance)
```

- For now, ignore the keywords *public* and *static*. The remainder of the header specifies:
 - The data type of the return value: `double`
 - The name of the method: `caloriesBurned`
 - The parameters: `weight` and `distance`

Methods that Return a Value

- The parameters specify the *type* and *number* of the arguments that must be *passed* to the method
- When this method is invoked with two arguments
 - the value of the first argument is assigned or passed to `weight`
 - the value of the second argument is passed to parameter `distance`.
- If the method call is

```
caloriesBurned(155.5, 3.5)
```

the parameter `weight` gets the value 155.5

the `distance` gets the value 3.5.

Methods that Return a Value

return type method name

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`double` `caloriesBurned`(`double weight`, `double distance`)

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parameters

Parts of a *method header*

The block consisting of lines 6 through 11 contains the instructions of the method `caloriesBurned(...)`.

Line 9 is an expression that calculates the number of calories burned.

Method that Return a Value

Line 10 is a *return* statement. The return statement has the form:

```
return expression
```

The return statement

- The return statement has two purposes:
 - Specify the *value that the method returns* to the caller.
 - *Terminate the method* and returns program control to the caller

A trace of RunnersCalculator

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|---|---|
| <div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div>myWeight myDistance totalCalories</div> | Line 15: double myWeight, myDistance, totalCalories |
| <div><div>165.0</div><div></div><div></div></div> <div>myWeight myDistance totalCalories</div> | Line 19: myWeight = input.nextDouble(); |
| <div><div>165.0</div><div>6.0</div><div></div></div> <div>myWeight myDistance totalCalories</div> | Line 22: myDistance = input.nextDouble(); |
| <div><div>165.0</div><div>6.0</div><div></div></div> <div>myWeight myDistance totalCalories</div> | Line 24: totalCalories = caloriesBurned(myWeight,myDistance); Call caloriesBurned(...). Pass values of the arguments myWeight and myDistance to parameters weight and distance, respectively. |

Program control passes to `caloriesBurned(...)`

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A trace of RunnersCalculator

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|---|---|
| <div>165.0</div> <div>weight</div> <div>6.0</div> <div>distance</div> | <p>Line 5: public static double caloriesBurned(double weight, double distance)</p> <p>The parameters weight and distance are initialized with the values of arguments myWeight and myDistance.</p> |
| <div>165.0</div> <div>weight</div> <div>6.0</div> <div>distance</div> <div>646.47</div> <div>calories</div> | <p>Line 9: double calories = .653* weight *distance;</p> <p>Declare the variable calories. Calculate the number of calories burned, and initialize calories to that value.</p> |
| <div>165.0</div> <div>weight</div> <div>6.0</div> <div>distance</div> <div>646.47</div> <div>calories</div> | <p>Line 10: return calories;</p> <p>Return the value of calories to the caller and exit.</p> |

Program control returns to the assignment on line 20

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|--|---|
| <div>165.0</div> <div>myWeight</div> <div>6.0</div> <div>myDistance</div> <div>646.47</div> <div>totalCalories</div> | <p>Line 24 (resumed): Assign the returned value to totalCalories.</p> |
| <div>165.0</div> <div>myWeight</div> <div>6.0</div> <div>myDistance</div> <div>646.47</div> <div>totalCalories</div> | <p>Line 21: Print the results.</p> |

Void Methods

- A method can perform a task without returning a value.
- Such a method is called a *void* method:

```
void drawSquare( int size)
```

- might be the header of a method that draws a square on the screen and *does not return a value*

Void Methods

- The expression:

```
5 * Math.sqrt(25)
```

- is certainly meaningful and has the value 25.0, but:

```
5 * drawSquare(25)
```

- makes no sense since `drawSquare(25)` does not return a value.

Void Methods

- A call to a void method is a “stand-alone” statement consisting of
 - the method name
 - arguments that must be passed to the method

```
System.out.println("Print me!");  
or  
drawSquare(10);
```

Void Methods

Problem statement:

Write a program that includes a void method:

```
void coinChanger(int amount)
```

that accepts a single integer argument between 1 and 100 that

represents an amount of money between \$.01 and \$1.00

The method makes change for that amount using the minimum number of coins.

Coins are in denominations of half dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies.

Solution

```
import java.util.*;
public class MoneyChanger
{
    public static void coinChanger (int amount)
    {
        // calculates the minimum number of half dollars,
        // quarters, dimes,
        // nickels and pennies in amount
        int halfDollars, quarters, dimes, nickels, pennies;

        System.out.println();
        System.out.println(amount+" cents can be converted to:");

        halfDollars = amount/50; //determine number of half
                                dollars
    }
}
```

Solution

```
amount = amount%50;    // how much remains?  
quarters = amount/25; // determine number of quarters  
amount = amount%25;    // how much remains?  
dimes = amount/10;     // determine the number of dimes  
amount= amount%10;     // how much remains?  
nickels = amount/5;    // determine the number of nickels  
pennies = amount%5;    //remainder is the number of  
pennies
```

Solution

```
System.out.println("Half Dollars: "+ halfDollars);  
System.out.println("Quarters: "+ quarters);  
System.out.println("Dimes: "+ dimes);  
System.out.println("Nickels: "+ nickels);  
System.out.println("Pennies: "+ pennies);  
return;          // return statement is optional here  
}
```


Solution

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Scanner input;
    input = new Scanner(System.in);
    System.out.print("Enter a value between 1 and 100: ");
    int money = input.nextInt();
    coinChanger(money);    //call to method coinChanger
}
}
```

Output

Enter a value between 1 and 100: 83

83 cents can be converted to:

Half Dollars: 1

Quarters: 1

Dimes: 0

Nickels: 1

Pennies: 3

Void Methods

- Because `coinChanger(...)` does not return a value
- The call to `coinChanger(...)` is not called *within* an expression.
- The method call is the Java statement (line 32):

```
coinChanger (money);
```

- The return statement on line 24
 - does not include a return value or an expression.
 - no value is returned to the calling method.

Void Methods

- The *return* statement on line 24 is unnecessary.
- After a void method executes its last statement, the method automatically returns
 - no final return statement is necessary.

Putting It All Together

- A Java method consists of a:
 - header followed by a
 - method block.
- The parameters in the header specify the number and type of the arguments that must be passed to the method.
- When a method is invoked, the values stored in the arguments are *copied* to the parameters

Putting It All Together

- The method block is a sequence of *statements enclosed* by curly braces:

```
{  
    statement-1;  
    statement-2;  
    statement-3;  
    ...  
    statement-n;  
}
```

A method that calculates the volume of a box

modifiers return-type name parameter-list

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```
public static double volumeOfBox (double length, double width, double height)
```

```
{  
    double volume;  
    volume = length * width * height;  
    return volume;  
}
```

} method block

Putting It All Together

Method Name

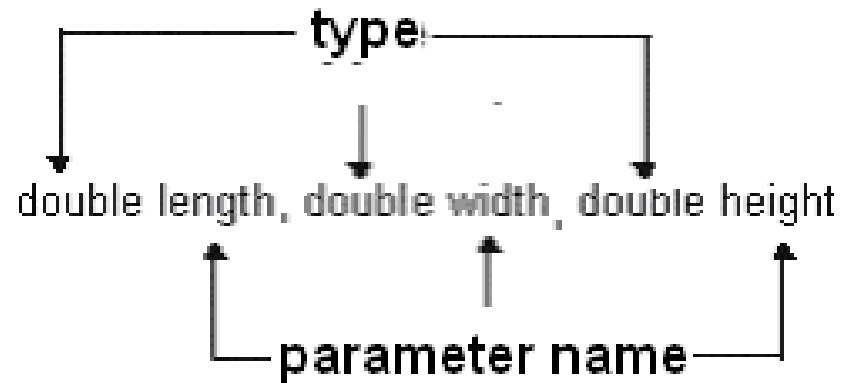
- The name of a method must be a valid Java identifier
- Standard Java convention specifies that the name of a method
 - *begins* with a lowercase letter
 - starts each succeeding word in the method name with *an uppercase letter*
- For example
 - the names `volumeOfBox` and `caloriesBurned` *both follow this convention*
 - the names `VolumeOfBox` and `volumeofbox` *do not*.

Putting It All Together

Parameter-List.

A method's parameter-list consists of *pairs* of the form:

type parameter-name



Putting It All Together

Argument Passing.

- When calling a method
 - the caller passes arguments to the *parameters*
- The calling statement must provide a *type-suitable value* for each parameter
 - If a method has five parameters, *five arguments* are required.

Putting It All Together

Pass by Value.

- All arguments are passed "*by value*."
- This means that the arguments are evaluated and values of the arguments are *copied* to the parameters of a method
 - Modifying the parameters in the method has no effect on the value of any variables passed as arguments.

Putting It All Together

Method Block.

- The statements of the method-block accomplish the task of the method.

Putting It All Together

The return Statement.

- A method that returns a value must include a *return* statement. The form of the return statement is

`return expression`

- When a method executes the return statement,
 - the method terminates,
 - program control passes back to the *caller*, and
 - any statements *following the return statement* are ignored

Putting It All Together

Local Variables.

- Variables that are declared within a method are called the local variables of that method
- Local variables *exist* and are known only within the *method* in which they are declared
- When a method *exits*, the local variables are *destroyed*
- Local variables do not exist beyond the life of a method call

Local Variables

- When a method is invoked
 - Memory *for local variables* is allocated
 - When a method *exits*, that memory is *de-allocated*.
- A method's local variables do not retain values from call to call
 - When a method exits, its local variables no longer exist
- The concept of local variables is tied to the broader topic of scope
 - which we discuss in the next section.

Scope

- The scope of a variable is that section of the program in which a variable can be *accessed* or *referenced*.
- For example, consider the following void method that computes the `sum` and product of the first `n` positive integers:

Scope

```
void sumAndProduct(int n)
{
    int sum = 0;
    int product = 1;
    for (int i= 1; i<= n; i++)
    {
        sum += i;
        product *= i;
    }

    System.out.println( "Sum of the first " + n+ "
positive integers is "+ sum);
    System.out.println("Product of the first " + n+ "
        positive integers is "+ product);
}
```

Scope

- The method `sumAndProduct` has several local variables: `n`, `sum`, `product`, and `i`. The scope of each of these variables is as follows:
 - The scope of parameter `n` is the entire method.
 - The scope of `sum` begins with its declaration on line 3 and extends to the end of the method.
 - Similarly, the scope of `product` extends from its declaration on line 4 to the method's end.
 - The variable `i` does not exist beyond the block of the for-loop.
 - Thus, the scope of variable `i` is lines 5 through 9. Outside of the for-loop, `i` is inaccessible and unknown.

Scope

- In general, the scope of a *variable* begins with its declaration and extends to the end of the block in which it is declared.

Scope

- A block is a group of statements
 - enclosed by curly braces *{ and };*
- if you declare a variable in the *outermost* block of a method
 - Its scope extends from the declaration to the end of the method
 - Otherwise, the scope of a variable declared within an inner or nested block
 - Begins at the declaration
 - Terminates at the end of that block.

Scope

```
if (purchase > 200)
{
    double discount = .20* purchase;
    double discountPrice = purchase-discount;
    tax = .05*discountPrice;
    total = discountPrice + tax;
}
else
{
    tax = .05*purchase;
    total = purchase + tax;
}
```

- The scope of the variables `discount` and `discountPrice` extends from their definitions to the end of the “if block.” Thus, neither variable is known within the “else block.”

Scope

- The scope of a variable declared in the header of a for loop is the entire for loop. In the segment

```
for (int i = 0; i<= 50; i++)  
{  
    //statements  
}
```

- The control variable `i` is unknown once the loop terminates.

Multiple return statements

- A method may have more than one return statement
 - only one executes before the method terminates.
- The first return statement that executes terminates the method

Multiple return statements

- Example
- A prime number p is a positive integer greater than 1 that has no positive integer divisors other than 1 and p
- For example 101 is a prime number since no positive integers other than 1 and 101 divide 101 evenly
- The integers 2, 3, 5, 7, and 37 are all prime numbers
- On the other hand, 100 is not a prime number because 5 is a divisor of 100. With the exception of 2, all prime numbers are odd.

Multiple return statements

- Problem statement:
- Write a program that prompts a user for a positive integer and determines whether or not the number is prime. Include a method

```
boolean isPrime(int p)
```

that accepts an integer p as a parameter
returns true if p is prime; otherwise false.



The isPrime method

Multiple return statements

```
import java.util.*;
public class PrimeChecker
{
    public static boolean isPrime(int p)
        //returns true if p is a prime number
    {
        1.  if (p <=1) // 0, 1, and all negatives are not prime
        2.      return false;
        3.  else if (p == 2) // if p is 2; return true (exit)
                       because 2 is prime
        4.      return true;
        5.  else if ( p % 2 == 0) // if p is even and not 2 ,
                       return false (exit);
        6.      return false;
    }
}
```

Multiple return statements

```
        // so p is odd; check for odd divisors
        // if a divisor is found, return false and exit
7.        for (int i = 3; i < p; i+=2)    // i = 3,5,7,9
8.            if (p % i == 0) // if p % i == 0 then i divides
                        p so p is not prime
9.                return false;
        // if the method reaches this point, p is prime,
10.        return true;
    }
```

Multiple return statements

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    int number;
    Scanner input;
    input = new Scanner(System.in);

    System.out.print("What number would you like to test? ");
    number = input.nextInt();
    if (isPrime(number))
        System.out.println(number + " is a prime number");
    else
        System.out.println(number+" is not prime");
}
```

Output

What number would you like to test? 6317

6317 is a prime number

What number would you like to test? 7163

7163 is not prime

Discussion

- The method `isPrime(...)` contains no less than five return statements. When any one return statement executes, the method exits and program control passes back to the caller.
- For example:
 - If parameter `p` has the value 22, the condition on line 5 is true and the return statement on line 6 executes returning false and terminating the method;
 - If `p` has the value 35, the loop of line 7 executes and when `i` attains the value of 5, the return on line 9 executes returning false (because $35 \% 5 == 0$, i.e., 35 is divisible by 5);
 - If `p` is 23, then none of the conditions of the else-if statement is true nor does the condition on line 8 evaluate to true. Consequently, the return statement on line 10 returns true, i.e., 23 is prime.

Example

“Write a program to get 2 integers and return the addition of the number”

- What is the input?
- What is the output?
- What is the process?

Example

“Write a program to get 2 integers and return the addition of the number if the inputs are positive. Otherwise, return 0.”

- What is the input?
- What is the output?
- What is the process?

Example

“Write a program to get a integer and return 2 power by the number.”

Example

“Write a program to get 2 integers and return the first number power by the second number.”

Example

“Write a program to get an non-negative integers and return the factorial of the number”

Example

“Write a program to get an non-negative integers. In this program, you must have a method to check whether the input is odd number or even number.”

Example

“Write a program to get 5 doubles and return the average value.”

- You have to send the array to the user-defined method.

“Create a simple calculator that can add, subtract, multiply and divide the input”

- Each operation must be in method
- You need to create the menu for user to choose.