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Assignment 4

Create a new directory with the name Assignment4.

Use this directory to save all programs that you will create as part of this assignment.

General

This chapter is about methods. During the construction of your programs you should be using methods as much as possible.

Part 1

The maximum allowable deflection of a beam depends on its use in a construction. For a floor, the typical maximum allowable deflection in inches is $D_{max} = L/240$, while for a roof beam $D_{max} = L/180$, where L is the length of the beam in inches.

- Using these formulas, write and test a method named maxDeflect(...) that accepts the length
 of a beam and the type of beam (floor or roof, using a character code) and returns the
 maximum allowable deflection.
- Include the method in a working program. Make sure your method is called from main() and correctly returns a value to main(). Have main() display the value returned. Test the method by passing various data to it.

Part 2

Redo your assignment 3 Part 1, this time using methods instead of in-line computations. The array should be created by main(), and the array should be passed to a routine calculating the function values.

Additionally, main() should pass the array to a method which prints the array. This time however, not with 4 values per line but with a variable number, indicated by a parameter n.

Similarly, for the calculation of the maximum and minimum values in the array, two methods should be used. The requirement that the array should be traversed only once is dropped.

Part 3 Random

It is often useful to simulate the drawing of a random card from a deck of 52 cards. Write a Java method draw() that simulates the drawing of a card. The draw()-method needs to be called twice: the first time it will return an integer in the range 1 .. 13 indicating one of the cards of a card deck. Note: it is not needed to name the card drawn e.g. ACE; just a number will suffice. The second time it will return a number in the range 0 .. 3 indicating the kind of card (hearts, clubs etc). Again, returning a number will suffice.

Hint: Call Math.random() to generate a random number. Divide the possible values out of Math.random() into equal intervals and return the number of the interval that a given random number falls into. Read about Math.random() on page 232 of the book.

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