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Methods: A Deeper Look



OBJECTIVES

In this lecture you will learn:

- How static methods and fields are associated with an entire class rather than specific instances of the class.
- To use common Math methods available in the Java API.
- To understand the mechanisms for passing information between methods.
- How the method call/return mechanism is supported by the method call stack and activation records.
- How packages group related classes.
- How to use random-number generation to implement gameplaying applications.
- How the visibility of declarations is limited to specific regions of programs.
- What method overloading is and how to create overloaded methods.



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3a.1 Introduction

- Divide and conquer technique
 - Construct a large program from smaller pieces (or modules)
 - Can be accomplished using methods
- static methods can be called without the need for an object of the class
- Random number generation
- Constants



3a.2 Program Modules in Java

Java Application Programming Interface (API)

- Also known as the Java Class Library
- Contains predefined methods and classes
 - Related classes are organized into packages
 - Includes methods for mathematics, string/character manipulations, input/output, databases, networking, file processing, error checking and more



Good Programming Practice 3a.1

Familiarize yourself with the rich collection of classes and methods provided by the Java API (java.sun.com/javase/6/docs/api/). In Section 3a.8, we present an overview of several common packages. In Appendix G, we explain how to navigate the Java API documentation.



Software Engineering Observation 3a.1

Don't try to reinvent the wheel. When possible, reuse Java API classes and methods. This reduces program development time and avoids introducing programming errors.



3a.2 Program Modules in Java (Cont.)

Methods

- Called functions or procedures in some other languages
- Modularize programs by separating its tasks into selfcontained units
- Enable a divide-and-conquer approach
- Are reusable in later programs
- Prevent repeating code



Software Engineering Observation 3a.2

To promote software reusability, every method should be limited to performing a single, well-defined task, and the name of the method should express that task effectively. Such methods make programs easier to write, debug, maintain and modify.



Error-Prevention Tip 3a.1

A small method that performs one task is easier to test and debug than a larger method that performs many tasks.



Software Engineering Observation 3a.3

If you cannot choose a concise name that expresses a method's task, your method might be attempting to perform too many diverse tasks. It is usually best to break such a method into several smaller method declarations.



3a.3 static Methods, static Fields and Class Math

- static method (or class method)
 - Applies to the class as a whole instead of a specific object of the class
 - Call a static method by using the method call:
 ClassName . methodName (arguments)
 - All methods of the Math class are static
 - example: Math.sqrt(900.0)



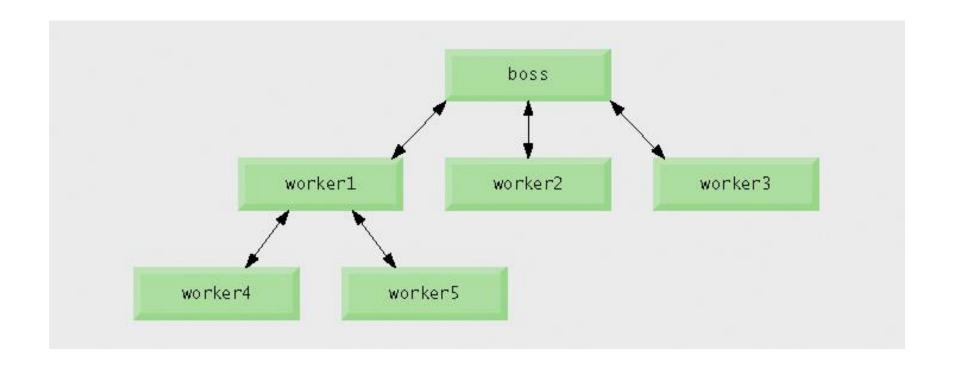


Fig. 3a.1 | Hierarchical boss-method/worker-method relationship.



Software Engineering Observation 3a.4

Class Math is part of the java. lang package, which is implicitly imported by the compiler, so it is not necessary to import class Math to use its methods.



3a.3 static Methods, static Fields and Class Math (Cont.)

- Constants
 - Keyword final
 - Cannot be changed after initialization
- static fields (or class variables)
 - Are fields where one copy of the variable is shared among all objects of the class
- Math.PI and Math.E are final static fields of the Math class



Method	Description	Example
abs(x)	absolute value of x	abs(23.7) is 23.7 abs(0.0) is 0.0 abs(-23.7) is 23.7
ceil(x)	rounds x to the smallest integer not less than x	ceil(9.2) is 10.0 ceil(-9.8) is -9.0
$\cos(x)$	trigonometric cosine of x (x in radians)	cos(0.0) is 1.0
exp(x)	exponential method ex	exp(1.0) is 2.71828 exp(2.0) is 7.38906
floor(x)	rounds \boldsymbol{x} to the largest integer not greater than \boldsymbol{x}	Floor(9.2) is 9.0 floor(-9.8) is -10.0
log(x)	natural logarithm of x (base e)	<pre>log(Math.E) is 1.0 log(Math.E * Math.E) is 2.0</pre>
$\max(x, y)$	larger value of x and y	max(2.3, 12.7) is 12.7 max(-2.3, -12.7) is -2.3
min(x, y)	smaller value of x and y	min(2.3, 12.7) is 2.3 min(-2.3, -12.7) is -12.7
pow(x, y)	x raised to the power y (i.e., xy)	pow(2.0, 7.0) is 128.0 pow(9.0, 0.5) is 3.0
sin(x)	trigonometric sine of x (x in radians)	sin(0.0) is 0.0
sqrt(x)	square root of x	sqrt(900.0) is 30.0
tan(x)	trigonometric tangent of x (x in radians)	tan(0.0) is 0.0

Fig. 3a.2 | Math class methods.



3a.3 static Methods, static Fields and Class Math (Cont.)

Method main

- main is declared static so it can be invoked without creating an object of the class containing main
- Any class can contain a main method
 - The JVM invokes the main method belonging to the class specified by the first command-line argument to the java command



3a.4 Declaring Methods with Multiple Parameters

- Multiple parameters can be declared by specifying a comma-separated list.
 - Arguments passed in a method call must be consistent with the number, types and order of the parameters
 - Sometimes called formal parameters



```
1 // Fig. 6.3: MaximumFinder.java
2 // Programmer-declared method maximum.
                                                                                      Outline
  import java.util.Scanner;
  public class MaximumFinder
6
                                                                                      MaximumFinder.java
     // obtain three floating-point values and locate the maximum value
      public void determineMaximum()
                                                                                      (1 \text{ of } 2)
        // create Scanner for input from command window
10
11
         Scanner input = new Scanner( System.in );
12
        // obtain user input
13
         System.out.print(
14
            "Enter three floating-point values separated by spaces: ");
15
16
         double number1 = input.nextDouble(); // read first double
         double number2 = input.nextDouble(); // read second double
17
         double number3 = input.nextDouble(); // read third double
18
19
                                                                   Call method maximum
        // determine the maximum value
20
         double result = maximum( number1, number2, number3 );
21
22
        // display maximum value
23
        System.out.println( "Maximum is: " + result );
24
      } // end method determineMaximum
25
26
                                                        Display maximum value
```



```
27
     // returns the maximum of its three double parameters
                                                                                                      21
     public double maximum( double x, double y, double z )←
28
                                                                      Declare the maximum method
29
        double maximum value = x; // assume x is the largest to start
30
31
                                                                                  MaximumFinder.java
        // determine whether y is greater than maximum Value
32
        if ( y > maximumValue ) ←
33
                                                     Compare y and maximumValue
           maximumValue = y;
34
35
        // determine whether z is greater than maximumValue
36
        if ( z > maximumValue )
37
                                               Compare z and maximumValue
           maximumValue = z;
38
39
        return maximumValue; ←
40
                                                   Return the maximum value
     } // end method maximum
41
42 } // end class MaximumFinder
```



```
1 // Fig. 6.4: MaximumFinderTest.java
  // Application to test class MaximumFinder.
                                                                                          Outline
                                                        Create a MaximumFinder
                                                           object
   public class MaximumFinderTest
                                                                                         MaximumFinderTest
      // application starting point
                                                                                          .java
      public static void main( String args[]
         MaximumFinder maximumFinder = new MaximumFinder();
                                                                          Call the determineMaximum
         maximumFinder.determineMaximum(); ←
10
                                                                             method
11
      } // end main
12 } // end class MaximumFinderTest
Enter three floating-point values separated by spaces: 9.35 2.74 5.1 Maximum is: 9.35
Enter three floating-point values separated by spaces: 5.8 12.45 8.32 Maximum is: 12.45
Enter three floating-point values separated by spaces: 6.46 4.12 10.54 Maximum is: 10.54
```



Declaring method parameters of the same type as float x, y instead of float x, float y is a syntax error-a type is required for each parameter in the parameter list.



Software Engineering Observation 3a.5

A method that has many parameters may be performing too many tasks. Consider dividing the method into smaller methods that perform the separate tasks. As a guideline, try to fit the method header on one line if possible.



3a.4 Declaring Methods with Multiple Parameters (Cont.)

Reusing method Math.max

The expression Math.max(x, Math.max(y, z)) determines the maximum of y and z, and then determines the maximum of x and that value

String concatenation

- Using the + operator with two Strings concatenates them into a new String
- Using the + operator with a String and a value of another data type concatenates the String with a String representation of the other value
 - When the other value is an object, its toString method is called to generate its String representation



It is a syntax error to break a String literal across multiple lines in a program. If a String does not fit on one line, split the String into several smaller Strings and use concatenation to form the desired String.



Confusing the + operator used for string concatenation with the + operator used for addition can lead to strange results. Java evaluates the operands of an operator from left to right. For example, if integer variable y has the value 5, the expression "y + 2 = " + y + 2 results in the string "y + 2 = 52", not "y + 2 = 7", because first the value of y(5) is concatenated with the string "y + 2 = ", then the value 2 is concatenated with the new larger string "y + 2 = 5". The expression "y + 2 = " + (y + 2) produces the desired result "y + 2 = 7".



3a.5 Notes on Declaring and Using Methods

- Three ways to call a method:
 - Use a method name by itself to call another method of the same class
 - Use a variable containing a reference to an object, followed by a dot (.) and the method name to call a method of the referenced object
 - Use the class name and a dot (.) to call a static method of a class
- static methods cannot call non-static methods of the same class directly



3a.5 Notes on Declaring and Using Methods (Cont.)

- Three ways to return control to the calling statement:
 - If method does not return a result:
 - Program flow reaches the method-ending right brace or
 - Program executes the statement return;
 - If method does return a result:
 - Program executes the statement return expression;
 - expression is first evaluated and then its value is returned to the caller



Declaring a method outside the body of a class declaration or inside the body of another method is a syntax error.



Omitting the return-value-type in a method declaration is a syntax error.



Placing a semicolon after the right parenthesis enclosing the parameter list of a method declaration is a syntax error.



Redeclaring a method parameter as a local variable in the method's body is a compilation error.



Forgetting to return a value from a method that should return a value is a compilation error. If a return value type other than void is specified, the method must contain a return statement that returns a value consistent with the method's return-value-type. Returning a value from a method whose return type has been declared void is a compilation error.



3a.6 Method Call Stack and Activation Records

Stacks

- Last-in, first-out (LIFO) data structures
 - Items are pushed (inserted) onto the top
 - Items are popped (removed) from the top

Program execution stack

- Also known as the method call stack
- Return addresses of calling methods are pushed onto this stack when they call other methods and popped off when control returns to them



3a.6 Method Call Stack and Activation Records (Cont.)

- A method's local variables are stored in a portion of this stack known as the method's activation record or stack frame
 - When the last variable referencing a certain object is popped off this stack, that object is no longer accessible by the program
 - Will eventually be deleted from memory during "garbage collection"
 - Stack overflow occurs when the stack cannot allocate enough space for a method's activation record



3a.7 Argument Promotion and Casting

Argument promotion

- Java will promote a method call argument to match its corresponding method parameter according to the promotion rules
- Values in an expression are promoted to the "highest" type in the expression (a temporary copy of the value is made)
- Converting values to lower types results in a compilation error, unless the programmer explicitly forces the conversion to occur
 - Place the desired data type in parentheses before the value
 - example: (int) 4.5



Туре	Valid promotions
double	None
float	double
long	float or double
int	long, float or double
char	int, long, float or double
short	int, long, float or double (but not char)
byte	short, int, long, float or double (but not char)
boolean	None (boolean values are not considered to be numbers in Java)

Fig. 3a.5 | Promotions allowed for primitive types.



Common Programming Error 3a.9

Converting a primitive-type value to another primitive type may change the value if the new type is not a valid promotion. For example, converting a floating-point value to an integral value may introduce truncation errors (loss of the fractional part) into the result.



3a.8 Java API Packages

- Including the declaration import java.util.Scanner; allows the programmer to use Scanner instead of java.util.Scanner
- Java API documentation
 - java.sun.com/javase/6/docs/api/
- Overview of packages in Java SE 6
 - java.sun.com/javase/6/docs/api/overview-summary.html



Package	Description
java.applet	The Java Applet Package contains a class and several interfaces required to create Java
	applets—programs that execute in Web browsers. (Applets are discussed in Chapter 20,
	Introduction to Java Applets; interfaces are discussed in Chapter 10, ObjectOriented
	Programming: Polymorphism.)
java.awt	The Java Abstract Window Toolkit Package contains the classes and interfaces required
	to create and manipulate GUIs in Java 1.0 and 1.1. In current versions of Java, the Swing
	GUI components of the javax. swing packages are often used instead. (Some elements
	of the java.awt package are discussed in Chapter 11, GUI Components: Part 1,
	Chapter 12, Graphics and Java2D, and Chapter 22, GUI Components: Part 2.)
java.awt.event	The Java Abstract Window Toolkit Event Package contains classes and interfaces that
	enable event handling for GUI components in both the java.awt and javax.swing
	packages. (You will learn more about this package in Chapter 11, GUI Components: Part
	1 and Chapter 22, GUI Components: Part 2.)
java.io	The Java Input/Output Package contains classes and interfaces that enable programs to
	input and output data. (You will learn more about this package in Chapter 14, Files and
	Streams.)
java.lang	The Java Language Package contains classes and interfaces (discussed throughout this
	text) that are required by many Java programs. This package is imported by the compiler
	into all programs, so the programmer does not need to do so.

Fig. 3a.6 | Java API packages (a subset). (Part 1 of 2)



Package	Description
java.net	The Java Networking Package contains classes and interfaces that enable programs to
	communicate via computer networks like the Internet. (You will learn more about this in
	Chapter 24, Networking.)
java.text	The Java Text Package contains classes and interfaces that enable programs to manipulate
	numbers, dates, characters and strings. The package provides internationalization capabilities
	that enable a program to be customized to a specific locale (e.g., a program may display strings
	in different languages, based on the user's country).
java.util	The Java Utilities Package contains utility classes and interfaces that enable such actions as date
	and time manipulations, random-number processing (class Random), the storing and processing
	of large amounts of data and the breaking of strings into smaller pieces called tokens (class
	StringTokenizer). (You will learn more about the features of this package in Chapter 19,
	Collections.)
javax.swing	The Java Swing GUI Components Package contains classes and interfaces for Java's Swing
	GUI components that provide support for portable GUIs. (You will learn more about this
	package in Chapter 11, GUI Components: Part 1 and Chapter 22, GUI Components: Part 2.)
<pre>javax.swing.event</pre>	The Java Swing Event Package contains classes and interfaces that enable event handling (e.g.,
	responding to button clicks) for GUI components in package javax.swing. (You will learn
	more about this package in Chapter 11, GUI Components: Part 1 and Chapter 22, GUI
	Components: Part 2.)

Fig. 3a.6 | Java API packages (a subset). (Part 2 of 2)



Good Programming Practice 3a.2

The online Java API documentation is easy to search and provides many details about each class. As you learn a class in this book, you should get in the habit of looking at the class in the online documentation for additional information.



3a.9 Case Study: Random-Number Generation

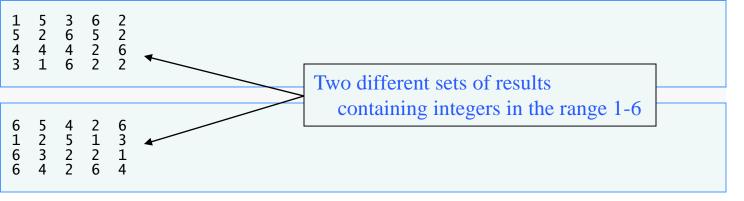
Random-number generation

- static method random from class Math
 - Returns doubles in the range $0.0 \le x \le 1.0$
- class Random from package java.util
 - Can produce pseudorandom boolean, byte, float, double, int, long and Gaussian values
 - Is seeded with the current time of day to generate different sequences of numbers each time the program executes



```
1 // Fig. 6.7: RandomIntegers.java
  // Shifted and scaled random integers.
                                                                                      Outline
  import java.util.Random; // program uses class Random
                                      Import class Random from the java.util package
  public class RandomIntegers
                                                                                      RandomIntegers
6
                                                                                      .java
7
      public static void main( String args[] )
                                                          Create a Random object
                                                                                      (1 \text{ of } 2)
         Random randomNumbers = new Random(); // random number generator
         int face; // stores each random integer generated
10
11
12
         // loop 20 times
         for ( int counter = 1; counter <= 20; counter++ )</pre>
13
14
                                                         Generate a random die roll
            // pick random integer from 1 to 6
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            face = 1 + randomNumbers.nextInt(6);
16
17
            System.out.printf( "%d ", face ); // display generated value
18
19
           // if counter is divisible by 5, start a new line of output
20
            if ( counter % 5 == 0 )
21
               System.out.println();
22
23
         } // end for
      } // end main
24
25 } // end class RandomIntegers
```





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RandomIntegers
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```
1 // Fig. 6.8: RollDie.java
  // Roll a six-sided die 6000 times.
                                                                                     Outline
  import java.util.Random;
                                     Import class Random from the java.util package
  public class RollDie
6
                                                                                     RollDie.java
     public static void main( String args[] )
                                                                                     (1 \text{ of } 2)
        Random randomNumbers = new Random(); // random number generator
10
                                                                 Create a Random object
        int frequency1 = 0; // maintains count of 1s rolled
11
        int frequency2 = 0; // count of 2s rolled
12
        int frequency3 = 0; // count of 3s rolled
13
14
        int frequency4 = 0; // count of 4s rolled
                                                                Declare frequency counters
        int frequency5 = 0; // count of 5s rolled
15
        int frequency6 = 0; // count of 6s rolled
16
17
```





```
int face; // stores most recently rolled value
                                                                            Outline
// summarize results of 6000 rolls of a die
                                                      Iterate 6000 times
for ( int roll = 1; roll <= 6000; roll++ ) ←</pre>
  face = 1 + randomNumbers.nextInt(6); // number from 1 to 6
                                                                            RollDie.java
  // determine roll value 1-6 and increment appropriate counter
   switch ( face ) _
                                                              Generate a random die roll
      case 1:
         ++frequency1; // increment the 1s counter
         break:
                                                      switch based on the die roll
      case 2:
         ++frequency2; // increment the 2s counter
         break;
      case 3:
         ++frequency3; // increment the 3s counter
        break;
      case 4:
         ++frequency4; // increment the 4s counter
         break;
      case 5:
         ++frequency5; // increment the 5s counter
         break;
      case 6:
         ++frequency6; // increment the 6s counter
         break; // optional at end of switch
  } // end switch
} // end for
```

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```
System.out.println( "Face\tFrequency" ); // output headers
49
          System.out.printf( "1\t%d\n2\t%d\n3\t%d\n4\t%d\n5\t%d\n6\t%d\n",
50
51
             frequency1, frequency2, frequency3, frequency4,
52
             frequency5, frequency6 );
      } // end main
53
54 } // end class RollDie
                                                         Display die roll frequencies
         Frequency 982
Face
123456
         1001
1015
1005
1009
988
         Frequency 1029
Face
123456
         994
         1017
         1007
         972
         981
```

<u>Outline</u>

RollDie.java

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3a.9.1 Generalized Scaling and Shifting of Random Numbers

- To generate a random number in certain sequence or range
 - Use the expression shiftingValue + differenceBetweenValues * randomNumbers.nextInt(scalingFactor) where:
 - *shiftingValue* is the first number in the desired range of values
 - differenceBetweenValues represents the difference between consecutive numbers in the sequence
 - scalingFactor specifies how many numbers are in the range



3a.9.2 Random-Number Repeatability for Testing and Debugging

- To get a Random object to generate the same sequence of random numbers every time the program executes, seed it with a certain value
 - When creating the Random object:
 Random randomNumbers =
 new Random (seedValue);
 - Use the setSeed method:
 randomNumbers.setSeed(seedValue);
 - seedValue should be an argument of type long



Error-Prevention Tip 3a.2

While a program is under development, create the Random object with a specific seed value to produce a repeatable sequence of random numbers each time the program executes. If a logic error occurs, fix the error and test the program again with the same seed value-this allows you to reconstruct the same sequence of random numbers that caused the error. Once the logic errors have been removed, create the Random object without using a seed value, causing the Random object to generate a new sequence of random numbers each time the program executes.



```
1 // Fig. 6.9: Craps.java
                                                                                     Outline
  // Craps class simulates the dice game craps.
  import java.util.Random;
                                     Import class Random from the java.util package
  public class Craps
                                                                                     Craps.java
6
                                                                                     (1 \text{ of } 4)
     // create random number generator for use in method rollDice
     private Random randomNumbers = new Bandom();
8
                                                              Create a Random object
     // enumeration with constants that represent the game status
10
     private enum Status { CONTINUE, WON, LOST }; 
11
                                                                     Declare an enumeration
12
     // constants that represent common rolls of the dice
13
     private final static int SNAKE_EYES = 2;
14
                                                                     Declare constants
15
     private final static int TREY = 3;
     private final static int SEVEN = 7;
16
     private final static int YO_LEVEN = 11;
17
     private final static int BOX_CARS = 12;
18
19
```



```
// plays one game of craps
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21
      public void play()
                                                                                       Outline
22
                                                                         Call rollDice method
         int myPoint = 0; // point if no win or loss on first roll
23
24
         Status gameStatus; // can contain CONTINUE, WON or LOST
                                                                                      Craps.java
25
         int sumOfDice = rollDice(); // first roll of the dice
26
                                                                                      (2 \text{ of } 4)
27
28
         // determine game status and point based on first roll
         switch ( sumOfDice )
29
30
31
            case SEVEN: // win with 7 on first roll
32
            case YO_LEVEN: // win with 11 on first roll
                                                                 Player wins with a roll of 7 or 11
33
               gameStatus = Status.WON; ←
34
               break:
35
            case SNAKE_EYES: // lose with 2 on first roll
36
            case TREY: // lose with 3 on first roll
            case BOX_CARS: // lose with 12 on first roll
37
                                                                  Player loses with a roll of 2, 3 or 12
               gameStatus = Status.LOST; ←
38
39
               break:
40
            default: // did not win or lose, so remember point
41
               gameStatus = Status.CONTINUE; // game is not over
               myPoint = sumOfDice; // remember the point
42
                                                                          Set and display the point
               System.out.printf( "Point is %d\n", myPoint );
43
44
               break; // optional at end of switch
45
         } // end switch
46
```



```
47
         // while game is not complete
        while ( gameStatus == Status.CONTINUE ) // not WON or LOST
                                                                                      <u>Outline</u>
48
49
         {
                                                                         Call rollDice method
            sumOfDice = rollDice(); *// roll dice again
50
51
                                                                                      Craps.java
            // determine game status
52
53
            if ( sumOfDice == myPoint ) // win by making point
               gameStatus = Status.WON; ←
54
                                                                    Player wins by making the point
55
            else
               if ( sumOfDice == SEVEN ) // lose by rolling 7 before point
56
57
                  gameStatus = Status.LOST; ←
                                                                    Player loses by rolling 7
         } // end while
58
59
        // display won or lost message
60
                                                                           Display outcome
         if ( gameStatus == Status.WON )
61
            System.out.println( "Player wins" );
62
63
         else
            System.out.println( "Player loses" );
64
      } // end method play
65
66
```



```
67
      // roll dice, calculate sum and display results
      public int rollDice() ←
                                                                                      Outline
68
                                                    Declare rollDice method
69
         // pick random die values
70
         int die1 = 1 + randomNumbers.nextInt( 6 ); // first die roll
71
                                                                                      Craps.java
         int die2 = 1 + randomNumbers.nextInt( 6 ); // second die roll
72
73
                                                                                      (4 \text{ of } 4)
         int sum = die1 + die2; // sum of die values
74
75
                                                                             Generate two dice
         // display results of this roll
76
                                                                               rolls
         System.out.printf( "Player rolled %d + %d = %d n",
77
            die1, die2, sum );
78
79
         return sum; // return sum of dice
80
                                                                  Display dice rolls and their
      } // end method rollDice
81
                                                                    sum
82 } // end class Craps
```





Outline

1 // Fig. 6.10: CrapsTest.java

Player rolled 2 + 6 = 8

Player rolled 5 + 1 = 6Player rolled 2 + 1 = 3Player rolled 1 + 6 = 7

Point is 8

Player loses

3a.10 Case Study: A Game of Chance (Introducing Enumerations)

Enumerations

- Programmer-declared types consisting of sets of constants
- enum keyword
- A type name (e.g. Status)
- Enumeration constants (e.g. WON, LOST and CONTINUE)
 - cannot be compared against ints



Good Programming Practice 3a.3

Use only uppercase letters in the names of constants. This makes the constants stand out in a program and reminds the programmer that enumeration constants are not variables.



Good Programming Practice 3a.4

Using enumeration constants (like Status.WON, Status.LOST and Status.CONTINUE) rather than literal integer values (such as 0, 1 and 2) can make programs easier to read and maintain.



3a.11 Scope of Declarations

Basic scope rules

- Scope of a parameter declaration is the body of the method in which appears
- Scope of a local-variable declaration is from the point of declaration to the end of that block
- Scope of a local-variable declaration in the initialization section of a for header is the rest of the for header and the body of the for statement
- Scope of a method or field of a class is the entire body of the class



3a.11 Scope of Declarations (Cont.)

Shadowing

- A field is shadowed (or hidden) if a local variable or parameter has the same name as the field
 - This lasts until the local variable or parameter goes out of scope



Common Programming Error 3a.10

A compilation error occurs when a local variable is declared more than once in a method.



Error-Prevention Tip 3a.3

Use different names for fields and local variables to help prevent subtle logic errors that occur when a method is called and a local variable of the method shadows a field of the same name in the class.



```
1 // Fig. 6.11: Scope.java
2 // Scope class demonstrates field and local variable scopes.
                                                                                      Outline
  public class Scope
5 {
                                                                                      Scope.java
      // field that is accessible to all methods of this class
      private int x = 1;
                                                                                      (1 \text{ of } 2)
      // method begin creates and initializes local variable x
9
     // and calls methods useLocalVariable and useField
10
                                                                    Shadows field x
11
     public void begin()
12
         int x = 5; // method's local variable x shadows field x
13
14
15
         System.out.printf( "local x in method begin is %d\n", x );
                                                                          Display value of
16
                                                                             local variable x
         useLocalVariable(); // useLocalVariable has local x
17
         useField(); // useField uses class Scope's field x
18
         useLocalvariable(); // useLocalvariable reinitializes local x
19
         useField(); // class Scope's field x retains its value
20
21
```



```
22
         System.out.printf( "\nlocal x in method begin is %d\n", x );
      } // end method begin
23
                                                                                       Outline
24
      // create and initialize local variable x during each call
25
      public void useLocalVariable()
26
                                                                  Shadows field x
                                                                                       Scope.java
27
         int x = 25; // initialized each time useLocalVariable is called
28
                                                                                       (2 \text{ of } 2)
29
         System.out.printf(
30
            "\nlocal x on entering method useLocalVariable is %d\n", x );
31
32
         ++x; // modifies this method's local variable x
                                                                                   Display value of
         System.out.printf(
33
                                                                                      local variable x
            "local x before exiting method useLocalVariable is %d\n'', x );
34
      } // end method useLocalVariable
35
36
      // modify class Scope's field x during each call
37
38
      public void useField()
39
40
         System.out.printf(
            "\nfield x on entering method useField is %d\n", x ); _
41
         x *= 10; // modifies class Scope's field x
42
                                                                              Display value of
         System.out.printf(
43
                                                                                 field x
            "field x before exiting method useField is %d\n", x );
44
      } // end method useField
45
46 } // end class Scope
```



```
1 // Fig. 6.12: ScopeTest.java
  // Application to test class Scope.
4 public class ScopeTest
5
      // application starting point
6
      public static void main( String args[] )
8
      {
          Scope testScope = new Scope();
9
          testScope.begin();
10
      } // end main
11
12 } // end class ScopeTest
local x in method begin is 5
local x on entering method useLocalVariable is 25
local x before exiting method useLocalVariable is 26
field x on entering method useField is 1 field x before exiting method useField is 10
local x on entering method useLocalVariable is 25
local x before exiting method useLocalVariable is 26
field x on entering method useField is 10 field x before exiting method useField is 100
local x in method begin is 5
```

<u>Outline</u>

ScopeTest.java



3a.12 Method Overloading

Method overloading

- Multiple methods with the same name, but different types, number or order of parameters in their parameter lists
- Compiler decides which method is being called by matching the method call's argument list to one of the overloaded methods' parameter lists
 - A method's name and number, type and order of its parameters form its signature
- Differences in return type are irrelevant in method overloading
 - Overloaded methods can have different return types
 - Methods with different return types but the same signature cause a compilation error



```
// Fig. 6.13: MethodOverload.java
   // Overloaded method declarations.
                                                                                          <u>Outline</u>
  public class MethodOverload
4
5
6
                                                              Correctly calls the "square of int" method
      // test overloaded square methods
      public void testOverloadedMethods()
9
         System.out.printf( "Square of integer 7 is %d\n", square( 7 ) );
System.out.printf( "Square of double 7.5 is %f\n", square( 7.5 ) );
                                                                                          MethodOverload
10
                                                                                           .java
      } // end method testOverloadedMethods
12
      // square method with int argument
                                                          Correctly calls the "square of double" method
14
      public int square( int intValue )
15
16
         System.out.printf( "\nCalled square with int argument: %d\n",
17
            intValue ):
18
         return intValue * intValue;
19
      } // end method square with int argument
                                                                              Declaring the "square of
20
                                                                                 int" method
21
      // square method with double argument
      public double square( double doublevalue )
23
24
         System.out.printf( "\nCalled square with double argument: %f\n",
25
            doublevalue ):
         return doublevalue * doublevalue;
26
      } // end method square with double argument
28 } // end class MethodOverload
                                                                                 Declaring the "square of
                                                                                    double" method
```



```
1 // Fig. 6.14: MethodoverloadTest.java
2 // Application to test class Methodoverload.
3
4 public class MethodoverloadTest
5 {
6    public static void main( String args[] )
7    {
8        Methodoverload methodoverload = new Methodoverload();
9        methodoverload.testoverloadedMethods();
10    } // end main
11 } // end class MethodoverloadTest

Called square with int argument: 7
Square of integer 7 is 49

Called square with double argument: 7.500000
Square of double 7.5 is 56.250000
```

<u>Outline</u>

MethodOverloadTest .java





```
// Fig. 6.15: MethodOverloadError.java
2 // Overloaded methods with identical signatures
                                                                                     Outline
  // cause compilation errors, even if return types are different.
  public class MethodOverloadError
                                                                                    MethodOverload
     // declaration of method square with int argument
     public int square( int x )
                                                                                    Error.java
         return x * x;
10
11
     }
                                                                        Same method signature
12
     // second declaration of method square with int argument
13
     // causes compilation error even though return types are different
14
     public double square( int y )
15
16
        return y * y;
17
18
19 } // end class MethodOverloadError
MethodOverloadError.java:15: square(int) is already defined in
MethodOverloadError
   public double square( int y )
                                                    Compilation error
1 error
```





Format specifications with printf

```
System.out.printf("%2$d %1$03d", 1,2);
Output:
```

2 001

Format specifications

```
%[argument_index$][flags][width][.precision]conversion
```



Format conversions with printf

Format specifications

```
%[argument index$][flags][width][.precision]conversion
Conversion specifying how to display the argument:
    'd': decimal integer
    'o': octal integer
     'x': hexadecimal integer
    'f': decimal notation for float
    'g': scientific notation (with an exponent) for float
     'a': hexadecimal with an exponent for float
    'c': for a character
    's': for a string.
    'b': for a boolean value, so its output is "true" or "false".
     'h': output the hashcode of the argument in hexadecimal form.
     'n': "%n" has the same effect as "\n".
```

Argument positioning with printf

Format specifications

```
%[argument_index$][flags][width][.precision]conversion
```

Argument index:

```
"1$" refers to the first argument,
"2$" refers to the second argument,
'<' followed by $ indicate that the argument should be the
same as that of the previous format specification</pre>
```



Argument positioning with printf

Format specifications

```
%[argument_index$][flags][width][.precision]conversion
```

Flags:

- '-' left-justified
- '^' and uppercase
- '+' output a sign for numerical values.
- '0' forces numerical values to be zero-padded.



Argument positioning with printf

Format specifications

%[argument_index\$][flags][width][.precision]conversion
width:

Specifies the field width for outputting the argument and represents the minimum number of characters to be written to the output.

precision:

used to restrict the output depending on the conversion. It specifies the number of digits of precision when outputting floating-point values.



Common Programming Error 3a.11

Declaring overloaded methods with identical parameter lists is a compilation error regardless of whether the return types are different.



3a.13 (Optional) GUI and Graphics Case Study: Colors and Filled Shapes

- Color class of package java.awt
 - Represented as RGB (red, green and blue) values
 - Each component has a value from 0 to 255
 - 13 predefined static Color objects:
 - Color.Black, Coor.BLUE, Color.CYAN,
 Color.DARK_GRAY, Color.GRAY, Color.GREEN,
 Color.LIGHT_GRAY, Color.MAGENTA, Color.ORANGE,
 Color.PINK, Color.RED, Color.WHITE and
 Color.YELLOW



3a.13 (Optional) GUI and Graphics Case Study: Colors and Filled Shapes (Cont.)

- fillRect and fillOval methods of Graphics class
 - Similar to drawRect and drawOval but draw rectangles and ovals filled with color
 - First two parameters specify upper-left corner coordinates and second two parameters specify width and height
- setColor method of Graphics class
 - Set the current drawing color (for filling rectangles and ovals drawn by fillRect and fillOval)



```
// Fig. 6.16: DrawSmiley.java
  // Demonstrates filled shapes.
                                           Import Color class
   import java.awt.Color; ←
  import java.awt.Graphics;
  import javax.swing.JPanel;
6
  public class DrawSmiley extends JPanel
8
  {
      public void paintComponent( Graphics g )
9
10
11
         super.paintComponent( g );
12
         // draw the face
13
14
         g.setColor( Color.YELLOW ); 
         g.filloval(10, 10, 200, 200);
15
                                                                     Set fill colors
16
         // draw the eyes
17
         g.setColor( Color.BLACK );
18
         g.filloval(55, 65, 30, 30);
19
         g.filloval(135, 65, 30, 30);
20
                                                                  Draw filled shapes
21
         // draw the mouth
22
         g.filloval(50, 110, 120, 60);
23
24
         // "touch up" the mouth into a smile
25
         g.setColor( Color.YELLOW );
26
         g.fillRect( 50, 110, 120, 30 );
27
         g.filloval(50, 120, 120, 40);
28
      } // end method paintComponent
29
30 } // end class DrawSmiley
```



DrawSmiley.java



```
1 // Fig. 6.17: DrawSmileyTest.java
2 // Test application that displays a smiley face.
  import javax.swing.JFrame;
  public class DrawSmileyTest
     public static void main( String args[] )
         DrawSmiley panel = new DrawSmiley();
         JFrame application = new JFrame();
10
11
         application.setDefaultCloseOperation( JFrame.EXIT_ON_CLOSE );
12
         application.add( panel );
13
         application.setSize( 230, 250 );
14
         application.setVisible( true );
15
      } // end main
16
```

17 } // end class DrawSmileyTest



<u>Outline</u>

DrawSmileyTest .java



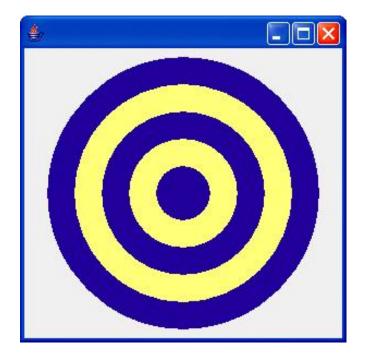


Fig. 3a.18 | A bull's-eye with two alternating, random colors.



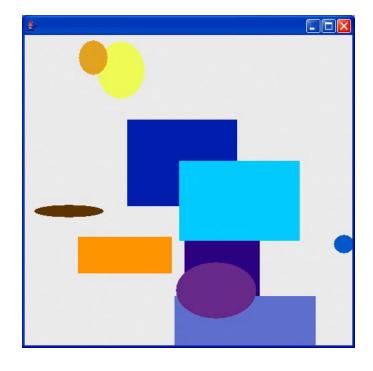


Fig. 3a.19 | Randomly generated shapes.

