Practice Exercise #01: Sum of Positive Integers

http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~cs1020/4 misc/practice.html

Reference: Week 1 Java Basics

Objectives:

- 1. Converting a simple C program to Java program
- 2. Input/output in Java
- 3. Using while loop
- 4. Review Java naming convention

Task statement:

In CS1010 Week 1 example 3^{\dagger} , we find the sum of positive integers up to n (i.e. 1 + 2 + ... + n), assuming that n is a positive integer.

Given below is a C program that performs this task. We use a **while** loop here instead of applying the formula n(n+1)/2, as an exercise for loop.

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// sum_integers.c
// This program computes sum of positive integers up to n
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
   int n; // upper limit, a positive integer
   int count=1, ans=0; // initialisation

   printf("Enter n: ");
   scanf("%d", &n);

while (count <= n) {
     ans += count;
     count++;
   }
   printf("Sum = %d\n", ans);

   return 0;
}</pre>
```

Convert the program into a Java program SumIntegers.java.

[†] Lecture slides for CS1010 are available on http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~cs1020/4_misc/cs1010_lect.html

Java Naming Convention

According to Java naming convention[‡]:

- Class name should be in UpperCamelCase, with the first letter of every word capitalised. Examples: "class SumIntegers", "class Vehicle", "class GeometricShape".
- Variable names should be in LowerCamelCase, with the first letter of the first word in lowercase, and the first letter of subsequent words capitalised. Examples: "int count", "double boxHeight", "char checkCode".
- In general, variable names should not begin with underscore (_) or dollar sign (\$). One-character variable names should be avoided except for temporary "throwaway" variables or loop variables.
- All names should be short yet meaningful.

In graded labs, non-adherence to Java naming convention or poor choice of names will be penalized.

Sample runs:

Enter n: 5
Sum = 15

Enter n: 42Sum = 903

[‡] http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Naming convention (programming)