

LAB 2 – Input/Output, Math (22 pts)

Lab Objectives

- Be able to write arithmetic expressions to accomplish a task
- Be able to use **casting to convert between primitive types**
- Be able to use a value-returning library method and a library constant
- Be able to use `String` methods to manipulate string data
- Be able to communicate with the user by using the `Scanner` class or dialog boxes
- Be able to create a program from scratch by translating a pseudocode algorithm
- Be able to document a program

Deliverables

This lab has six tasks. When you have all tasks done, send the report to Blackboard.

The report is a Blackboard test with short-answer, file-response, multiple-answer, and other types of questions.

In the report, you will provide your results, Java codes (files with extension *.java*) that you have used, changed, or created for this assignment, screenshots of program execution, and your analysis of your results.

Screenshots in your report must show a full screen, so your computer can be identified. Please resize your IDE panels the way that the required dialog or output is visible along with the source code. Show as much source code as possible.

NOTE:

- Use **Blackboard only** to submit your work; **no email** submission unless your instructor directs it.
- If Blackboard gives you multiple submission attempts (usually three), the **last one** will be evaluated and graded.
- **No late submissions, no changes** in your submission after the due date.

Task #2 of this lab allows you two solutions for the user interface. You may try both, but only one needs to be submitted.

Introduction

This lab is designed to give you practice with some of the basics of Java. We will continue ideas from Lab 1 by correcting logic errors while looking at mathematical formulas in Java. We will explore the difference between integer division and division on your calculator, as well as reviewing the order of operations.

We will also learn how to use mathematical formulas that are preprogrammed in Java. On your calculator, there are buttons to do certain operations, such as raising a number to power or using the number pi. Similarly, in Java, we will have programs available for our use that will also do these operations. Mathematical operations that can be performed with the touch of a button on a calculator are also in the `Math` class. We will learn how to use a `Math` class method to cube the radius in the formula for finding the volume of a sphere.

This lab also introduces communicating with the user. We have already seen how console input and output work in Lab 1.

We will now need to learn how to program user input by investigating the lines of code that we need to add in order to use the `Scanner` class. We will also learn the method call required for output.

Alternately, you may use dialog boxes for communicating with the user. An introduction to graphical user interface (GUI) programming is explored using the `JOptionPane` class. ~~We will not use GUI in this course, but if you would like to try it yourself, it is worth doing.~~

The `String` class is introduced, and we will use some of the available methods to prepare you for string processing.

We will bring everything we have learned together by creating a program from an algorithm. Finally, you will document the program by adding comments. The computer does not read comments; they are for use by the programmer. They are to help a programmer document what the program does and how it accomplishes it. It is very important when a programmer needs to modify code that is written by another person.

Task #1 Correcting Logic Errors in Formulas (4 pts)

- ~~Copy the file `NumericTypes.java` as directed by your instructor.~~
- Compile the source file, run the program, and observe the output. Some of the output is **incorrect**. **You need to correct logic errors** in the average formula and the temperature conversion formula. The logic errors could be due to conversion between data types, order of operations, or formula problems. The necessary formulas are:

$$\text{average} = \frac{\text{score1} + \text{score2}}{\text{numberOfScores}}$$

$$C = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32)$$

3. Each time you make changes to the program code, you must compile again for the changes to take effect before running the program again.
4. Make sure that the output makes sense before you continue. For example, the average of 95 and 100 should be 97.5, and the temperature that water boils is 100 degrees Celsius.

Task #2a User Input Using the Scanner Class (4 pts)

1. Add an `import` statement above the class declaration to make the `Scanner` class available to your program.
2. In the `main` method, create a `Scanner` object and connect it to the `System.in` object.
3. Prompt the user to enter their first name.
4. Read the name from the keyboard using the `nextLine` method and store it into a variable called `firstName` (you will need to declare any variables you use).
5. Prompt the user to enter his or her last name.
6. Read the name from the keyboard and store it in a variable called `lastName`.
7. Concatenate the `firstName` and `lastName` with a space between them and store the result in a variable called `fullName`.
8. Print out the `fullName`.
9. Compile, debug, and run, using your name as test data.
10. Since we are adding on to the same program, each time we run the program, we will get the output from the previous tasks before the output of the current task.

Task #2b User Input Using Dialog Boxes (alternative)

1. Add an `import` statement above the class declaration to make the `JOptionPane` class available to your program.
2. In the `main` method, prompt the user to enter their first name by displaying an input dialog box and storing the user input in a variable called `firstName` (you will need to declare any variables you use).
3. Prompt the user to enter his or her last name by displaying an input dialog box and storing the user input in a variable called `lastName`.
4. Concatenate the `firstName` and `lastName` with a space between them and store the result in a variable called `fullName`.
5. Display the `fullName` using a message dialog box.

6. Compile, debug, and run, using your name as test data.
7. Since we are adding on to the same program, each time we run the program, we will get the output from the previous tasks before the output of the current task.

Task #3 Working with Strings (4 pts)

1. Use the `charAt` method to get the first character in `firstName` and store it in a variable called `firstInitial` (you will need to declare any variables that you use).
2. Print out the user's first initial.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to print out user's last initial.
4. Use the `toUpperCase` method to change the `fullName` to uppercase and store it back into the `fullName` variable.
5. Add a line that prints out the value of `fullName` and how many characters (including the space) are in the string stored in `fullName` (use the `length` method to obtain that information).
6. Compile, debug, and run. The new output added on after the output from the previous tasks should have user's initials, full name in uppercase, and the number of characters in the full name including the space).

Task #4 Using Predefined Math Functions (4 pts)

1. Add a line that prompts the user to enter the diameter of a sphere.
2. Read in and store the number into a variable called `diameter` (you will need to declare any variables that you use).
3. The diameter is twice as long as the radius, so calculate and store the radius in an appropriately named variable.
4. The formula for the volume of a sphere is:

$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

Convert the formula to Java code and add a line that calculates and stores the value of volume in an appropriately named variable. Use `Math.PI` for π and `Math.pow` to cube the radius.

5. Print your results to the screen with an appropriate message.
6. Compile, debug, and run using the following test data and record the results.

Diameter	Volume (hand calculated)	Volume (resulting output)
2		
25.4		
875,000		

Task #5 Create a Program from Scratch (4 pts)

In this task, you will create a new program that calculates gas mileage in miles per gallon. You will use string expressions, assignment statements, input and output statements to communicate with the user.

1. Create a new file in your IDE or text editor.
2. Create the shell for your first program by entering:

```
public class Mileage
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        // Add your declaration and code here.
    }
}
```

3. Save the file as *Mileage.java*.
4. Translate the algorithm below into Java code. Don't forget to declare variables before they are used. Each variable must be one word only (no spaces).

Print a line indicating this program will calculate mileage

Print prompt to the user asking for miles driven

Read in miles driven

Print prompt to the user asking for gallons used

Read in gallons used

Calculate miles per gallon by dividing miles driven by gallons used

Print miles per gallon along with appropriate labels

5. Compile the program and debug, repeating until it compiles successfully.
6. Run the program and test it using the following sets of data and record the results:

Miles driven	Gallons used	Miles per gallon (hand calculated)	Miles per gallon (resulting output)
2000	100		
500	25.5		
241.5	10		
100	0		

7. The last set of data caused the computer to divide 100 by 0. Handling real numbers is a more complicated task for computers compared to integers. There are two reserved codes that operations over real numbers may result in — NaN (Not-a-Number) and Infinity.

Note, that if your variables are of type `int`, the division by 0 will produce a runtime error. The **runtime error** can occur on programs that compile and run on many other sets of data. This emphasizes the need to test your program with all possible kinds of data thoroughly.

Task #6 Documenting a Java Program (2 pts)

1. Compare the code listings of `NumericTypes.java` with `Mileage.java`. You will see that `NumericTypes.java` has lines that have information about what the program is doing. These lines are called comments and are designated by the `//` at the beginning of the line. Any comment that starts with `/**` and ends with `*/` is considered a documentation comment. These are typically written just before a class header, giving a brief description of the class. They are also used for documenting methods in the same way.
2. Write a documentation comment at the top of the program which indicates the purpose of the program, your name, and today's date.
3. Add comment lines after each variable declaration, indicating what each variable represents.
4. Add comment lines for each section of the program, indicating what is done in that section.