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4. The LightBoard class models a two-dimensional display of lights, where each light is either on or off, as represented by a Boolean value. You will implement a constructor to initialize the display and a method to evaluate a light.

```
public class LightBoard
{
    /** The lights on the board, where true represents on and false represents off.
     */
    private boolean[][] lights;

    /** Constructs a LightBoard object having numRows rows and numCols columns.
     *  Precondition: numRows > 0, numCols > 0
     *  Postcondition: each light has a 40% probability of being set to on.
     */
    public LightBoard(int numRows, int numCols)
    { /* to be implemented in part (a) */ }

    /** Evaluates a light in row index row and column index col and returns a status
     *  as described in part (b).
     *  Precondition: row and col are valid indexes in lights.
     */
    public boolean evaluateLight(int row, int col)
    { /* to be implemented in part (b) */ }

    // There may be additional instance variables, constructors, and methods not shown.
}
```

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- (a) Write the constructor for the `LightBoard` class, which initializes `lights` so that each light is set to on with a 40% probability. The notation `lights[r][c]` represents the array element at row `r` and column `c`.

Complete the `LightBoard` constructor below.

```
/** Constructs a LightBoard object having numRows rows and numCols columns.  
 * Precondition: numRows > 0, numCols > 0  
 * Postcondition: each light has a 40% probability of being set to on.  
 */  
public LightBoard(int numRows, int numCols)
```

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- (b) Write the method `evaluateLight`, which computes and returns the status of a light at a given row and column based on the following rules.

1. If the light is on, return `false` if the number of lights in its column that are on is even, including the current light.
2. If the light is off, return `true` if the number of lights in its column that are on is divisible by three.
3. Otherwise, return the light's current status.

For example, suppose that `LightBoard sim = new LightBoard(7, 5)` creates a light board with the initial state shown below, where `true` represents a light that is on and `false` represents a light that is off. Lights that are off are shaded.

lights

	0	1	2	3	4
0	true	true	false	true	true
1	true	false	false	true	false
2	true	false	false	true	true
3	true	false	false	false	true
4	true	false	false	false	true
5	true	true	false	true	true
6	false	false	false	false	false

Sample calls to `evaluateLight` are shown below.

Call to <code>evaluateLight</code>	Value Returned	Explanation
<code>sim.evaluateLight(0, 3);</code>	false	The light is on, and the number of lights that are on in its column is even.
<code>sim.evaluateLight(6, 0);</code>	true	The light is off, and the number of lights that are on in its column is divisible by 3.
<code>sim.evaluateLight(4, 1);</code>	false	Returns the light's current status.
<code>sim.evaluateLight(5, 4);</code>	true	Returns the light's current status.

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Class information for this question

```
public class LightBoard
private boolean[][] lights
public LightBoard(int numRows, int numCols)
public boolean evaluateLight(int row, int col)
```

Complete the `evaluateLight` method below.

```
/** Evaluates a light in row index row and column index col and returns a status
 * as described in part (b).
 * Precondition: row and col are valid indexes in lights.
 */
public boolean evaluateLight(int row, int col)
```

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END OF EXAM

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Question 4: Light Board

Part (a)	LightBoard	4 points
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Intent: Define implementation of a constructor that initializes a 2D array of lights

- +1 Creates a new boolean [numRows] [numCols] and assigns to instance variable lights
- +1 Accesses all elements in the created 2D array (*no bounds errors*)
- +1 Computes the 40% probability
- +1 Sets all values of 2D array based on computed probability

Part (b)	evaluateLight	5 points
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Intent: Evaluate the status of a light in a 2D array of lights

- +1 Accesses an element of lights as a boolean value in an expression
- +1 Traverses specified col of a 2D array (*no bounds errors*)
- +1 Counts the number of true values in the traversal
- +1 Performs an even calculation and a multiple of three calculation
- +1 Returns true or false according to all three rules

Question-Specific Penalties

- 1 (z) Constructor returns a value
- 1 (y) Destruction of persistent data

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Question 4: Scoring Notes

Part (a) LightBoard			4 points
Points	Rubric Criteria	Responses earn the point even if they...	Responses will not earn the point if they...
+1	Creates a new boolean [numRows] [numCols] and assigns to instance variable lights		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> initialize a local variable that is never assigned to lights omit the keyword new use a type other than boolean
+1	Accesses all elements in the created 2D array (<i>no bounds errors</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fail to create lights but assume lights [numRows] [numCols] 	
+1	Computes the 40% probability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> use Math.random() <= .4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> incorrectly cast to int
+1	Sets all values of 2D array based on computed probability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> only assign true values 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> compute a single probability but use it multiple times reverse the sense of the comparison when assigning
Part (b) evaluateLight			5 points
Points	Rubric Criteria	Responses earn the point even if they...	Responses will not earn the point if they...
+1	Accesses an element of lights as a boolean value in an expression		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> access lights as a type other than boolean
+1	Traverses specified col of a 2D array (<i>no bounds errors</i>)		
+1	Counts the number of true values in the traversal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> access too many or too few items in a single column access a single row instead of a single column 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> count an item more than once
+1	Performs an even calculation and a multiple of three calculation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> use / instead of %
+1	Returns true or false according to all three rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> have an incorrect column count but use the correct logic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> fail to return a value in some case implement counting loop more than once with one loop that is incorrect

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Question 4: Light Board

Part (a)

```
public LightBoard(int numRows, int numCols)
{
    lights = new boolean[numRows][numCols];

    for (int r = 0; r < numRows; r++)
    {
        for (int c = 0; c < numCols; c++)
        {
            double rnd = Math.random();
            lights[r][c] = rnd < 0.4;
        }
    }
}
```

Part (b)

```
public boolean evaluateLight(int row, int col)
{
    int numOn = 0;

    for (int r = 0; r < lights.length; r++)
    {
        if (lights[r][col])
        {
            numOn++;
        }
    }

    if (lights[row][col] && numOn % 2 == 0)
    {
        return false;
    }
    if (!lights[row][col] && numOn % 3 == 0)
    {
        return true;
    }
    return lights[row][col];
}
```

These canonical solutions serve an expository role, depicting general approaches to solution. Each reflects only one instance from the infinite set of valid solutions. The solutions are presented in a coding style chosen to enhance readability and facilitate understanding.