Program #7: The Game of Craps

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1 The Problem

Craps is a game played with a pair of dice. In the game of craps, the *shooter* (the player with the dice) rolls a pair of dice and the number of spots showing on the two upward faces are added up. If the opening roll (called the 'coming out roll') is a 7 or 11, the shooter wins the game. If the opening roll results in a 2 (snake eyes), 3 or 12 (box cars), the shooter loses, otherwise known as 'crapping out'. If the shooter rolls a 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 or 10 on the opening roll, then he or she must roll the same number before rolling a 7 to win the game. For example, if the shooter rolls a 6 on the come out roll, a 10 on the second roll and a 7 on the third roll, the shooter loses since he rolled a 7 before rolling another 6. If, however, he rolled a 6 on the third roll, he wins the game.

2 The Program

In this assignment, you will write a program to play a certain number of craps games and then print out statistics on the games played. You will use *three* classes to implement the craps games, class Dice, CrapsGame and PlayCraps. The main method will be contained in class PlayCraps.

2.1 The class Dice

The purpose of this class is to establish the structure (instance variables) of a pair of dice and specify the operations (methods) that can be performed on a pair of dice. A partial declaration of the class Dice is given below.

The declaration has a private, static method called getRanInt1To6 (short for 'get random integer from 1 to 6') which is coded for you. This method returns a 'random' integer in the range from 1 to 6. That is, it returns a number in the specified range with equal probability, namely, each integer between 1 and 6 has probability 1/6 of being selected. (Random numbers are needed in game playing programs. Without randomness built into these programs, the computer would play the same game over and over again.) Note that the structure of a pair of dice can be specified by a pair of integers, face1 and face2.

To implement the remainder of the class declaration, complete the coding of the following constructors and methods.

- public Dice(); //a constructor that creates a pair of dice and sets both face1 and face2 to 0
- public int getSumOfFaces(); //a method that returns the sum of the two faces
- public void roll(); //a method that performs one roll of the dice

The method roll should call the private method getRandInt1To6.

2.2 The class CrapsGame

This class uses the class Dice to describe the structure of a game of craps as well as the operations that can be performed on a game of craps. A partial declaration appears below. Notice that a game of craps consists of a pair of dice (pairOfDice) along with two variables win and numRolls. The variable win is of type boolean and numRolls is of type int. The variable pairOfDice is of type Dice.

To implement the remainder of the class declaration, complete the coding of the following constructors and methods.

- public CrapsGame(); //a constructor that creates a craps game and sets win to false, numRolls to 0 and creates a pairOfDice
- public void reset(); //sets win back to false and numRolls back to 0, that is, resets a game of craps
- public void play(); //plays a game of craps
- public boolean getWin(); //returns the value of win
- public int getNumRolls(); //returns the value of numRolls

Method play is the method requiring the most thought. The others are rather trivial to code. To get started on coding method play, consider the

following pseudocode.

```
public void play() {
   roll the dice;
   increment number of rolls;
   firstRoll = pairOfDice.getSumOfFaces();
   if (firstRoll was a 7 or 11)
      game is won;
   else if (firstRoll is not snakeyes, not a three and
             not boxcars) {
      do {
         roll the dice;
         increment number of rolls;
         value = pairOfDice.getSumOfFaces();
      while (value is not firstRoll or 7);
      if (value is firstRoll)
         the game is won;
   }
```

Note that no where in the pseudocode is the game ever declared lost. The reason is that when a CrapsGame object is created or reset, the instance variable win is set to false. Therefore, a game is assumed lost unless the player wins it!

2.3 The class PlayCraps

Write a class called PlayCraps (the demo class) that prompts the user to input a positive integer representing the number of craps games to be played. The program then plays the required number of games and prints out the following statistics.

- number of games played
- number of wins
- length of the longest game played

- estimated probability of winning at craps expressed as a decimal between 0 and 1
- total number of rolls made
- average number of rolls per game expressed as a decimal
- number of wins that occurred on the coming out roll
- estimated probability of winning a game on the coming out roll expressed as a decimal between 0 and 1
- number of losses that occurred on the coming out roll
- estimated probability of losing a game on the coming out roll expressed as a decimal between 0 and 1

The statistics should be printed out in a readable and attractive manner! To get fairly good estimates of the probabilities of winning, etc., you should run a large number of games, say 10,000 or so. (You should start at 10,000 and then increase the number of games until your computer takes too much time to run them all.) Use the following formula to compute the estimated probability of winning at craps.

$$probability \ of \ winning \ at \ craps = \frac{number \ of \ games \ won}{total \ number \ of \ games \ played}$$

The other formulas you need are similarly obtained.

Your class PlayCraps might begin as follows.

```
class PlayCraps {
   public static void main (String[] args) {
        CrapsGame game = new CrapsGame(); //create a game of craps int numGames; //number of games to be played
        //other variable declarations
        System.out.println("Welcome to Craps!");
        System.out.println("\nEnter number of games: ");
        numGames = Keyboard.readInt();
        //etc.
}
```

Your classes may include other local variable declarations as needed. In addition, you may decide to implement other methods in your classes. For example, you might choose to invoke a static method to print out all the statistics.

3 What To Turn In

Please submit your .java source files in e:\submit\DelGreco\Comp170\Prog7\<yourFolder>. There will be three files in all: Dice.java, CrapsGame.java and PlayCraps.java (contains the main method).

4 Late Program Policy

A program will loose 20% of its value each day it is late (excluding weekends). Starting early on your programs will maximize your chances of earning full credit on your work!