

MIS 768: Advanced Software Concepts Spring 2024

Methods

Purpose

- Learn the syntax of defining a method
- Learn the syntax of calling a method
- Practice solving a problem by decompose the problem into smaller ones

1. Preparation

- (1) Launch Eclipse, and set the workspace to your personal directory.
- (2) Create a package as edu.unlv.mis768.labwork5.
- (3) Download **05_lab_files.zip** from WebCampus. Extract the zip file and then import the .java files into the package you just created.

2. Design a Method: CreditCardApproval.java

- (4) In this program, the user will enter the salary and the credit rating, the program will then show the application is approved or not.
If the salary is no less than \$20,000 and the credit rating is no less than 7, the application can be approved.
- (5) Please open **CreditCardApproval**. In this program, the I/O is all handled in the main method. Use a **determineQualificatio()** method only for determining the qualification. This **determineQulificatio()** method will return only true/false.

In the main method, declare a boolean variable for storing the results of the method.

```
7 public static void main(String[] args) {  
8     // variables for user input and result  
9     double salary;    // Annual salary  
10    int creditRating; // Credit rating  
11    boolean isQualified; // whether the user is qualified.  
12  
13    // Scanner object for keyboard input
```

- (6) The call a method to determined the qualification.

For this method, the input data are salary and creditRating, the result is a true/false value.

```
19
20 // Get the user's credit rating (1 through 10).
21 System.out.print("On a scale of 1 through 10, what is your credit rating?\n"
22                 "(10 = excellent, 1 = very bad)");
23 creditRating = kb.nextInt();
24
25 // call a method to determine whether the user qualifies.
26 isQualified = determineQulification(salary, creditRating);
27
28 if(isQualified)
29     System.out.println("Congratulations! You can get the credit card.");
30 else
31     System.out.println("Sorry, you cannot get the credit card.");
32
```

- (7) Please create and complete the **determineQulificatio()** method.

Please note that this method should be outside of the main() method.

```
34
35 private static boolean determineQulification(double amount, int rating) {
36
37 }
38
39
```

- (8) Please complete the program using if/else statement:

```
34
35 private static boolean determineQulification(double amount, int rating) {
36
37     if(amount >=20000 && rating >=7)
38         return true;
39     else
40         return false;
41 }
42
```

- (9) You can run and test the program.

- (10) In fact, you do not need to declare the variable **isQualified**. Please revise the program to get rid of the variable **isQualified**.

3. Exercise: Average Test Score

- (11) Please write a program that asks the user to enter three test scores. The program should display the average of the test score and the letter grade for average test score, using the following grading scheme:

Score	Grade
90-100	A
80-89	B
70-79	C
Below 70	F

The program should use a method (other than the **main** method) in this program. Please follow the top-down design pattern in this program.

4. Use Method to Solve a Problem: SalesReport.java

- (12) The program reads 30 days of sales amount from a file (MonthlySales.txt), and then displays the total sales and average daily sales.

```
Enter the name of the file containing 30 days of sales amounts.D:\temp\MonthlySales.txt
The total sales for the period is $56437.419999999999
The average daily sales were $1881.2473333333333
```

- (13) Open the **SalesReports** class. The main method is constructed as shown below

```
13 public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
14     final int NUM_DAYS = 30; // Number of days of sales
15     String filename;         // The name of the file to open
16     double totalSales;       // Total sales for period
17     double averageSales;     // Average daily sales
18
19     // declare a Scanner object for keyboard input
20     Scanner kb = new Scanner(System.in);
21     // prompt the user to enter the file name
22     System.out.print("File name please?");
23     // get the string from the user
24     filename = kb.nextLine();
25
26     // Get the total sales from the file.
27     totalSales = getTotalSales(filename);
28
29     // Calculate the average.
30     averageSales = totalSales / NUM_DAYS;
31
32     // Display the total and average.
33     System.out.println("The total sales for the period is $" + totalSales);
34     System.out.println("The average daily sales were $" + averageSales);
35 }
```

- (14) Please complete the **getTotalSales(filename)** method

NOTE: this method deals with file input. We need to add the **throws IOException** clause to the header.

We also need to add the **throws IOException** clause to the header of the main method.

```
37 public static double getTotalSales(String filename) throws IOException {
38     // declare the result numbers
39     double totalSales = 0, sales = 0;
40
41     // Open the file
42     File file = new File(filename);
43     Scanner inputFile = new Scanner(file);
44
45     // read until the end of the file
46     while (inputFile.hasNext()) {
47         // read a line
48         sales = inputFile.nextDouble();
49         // add the number to total sales
50         totalSales += sales;
51     }
52     // close the file
53     inputFile.close();
54
55     // return the result number
56     return totalSales;
57 }
```

5. Applying DecimalFormat Class

(15) To format the results, we can use an object of **DecimalFormat** class, and specify the format. Please add a line to declare the **DecimalFormat** object:

Please note that the string “#,###.00” means adding thousands’ separator, with two digits after the decimal point. The import statement of **java.text.DecimalFormat** should also be used.

```
1 package edu.unlv.mis768.labwork5;
2 import java.io.*;
3 import java.text.DecimalFormat;
4 import java.util.Scanner;
5
6 public class SalesReports {
7     /**
8      * This program opens a file containing the sales
9      * amounts for 30 days. It calculates and displays
10     the total sales and average daily sales.
11     * @throws IOException
12     */
13     public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
14         final int NUM_DAYS = 30; // Number of days of sales
15         String filename;         // The name of the file to open
16         double totalSales;       // Total sales for period
17         double averageSales;     // Average daily sales
18
19         // define number formatter
20         DecimalFormat ft = new DecimalFormat("#,###.00");
21     }
```

(16) The, the **DecimalFormat** object can be used to format the string:

```
32         // Calculate the average.
33         averageSales = totalSales / NUM_DAYS;
34
35         // Display the total and average.
36         System.out.println("The total sales for the period is $" + ft.format(totalSales));
37         System.out.println("The average daily sales were $" + ft.format(averageSales));
38     }
39 }
```