

COMPUTER SCIENCE 11A (FALL, 2016) PROGRAMMING IN JAVA

PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENT 5

Overview:

This assignment will give you practice with while loops, pseudorandom numbers, and will test your understanding of everything covered so far.

Modularity in your code is very important, YOU MUST USE STATIC METHODS.

Problem 1

Write a program that allows the user to play many rounds of the Rock Paper Scissor game (the user will decide when to end the game). The user and computer will each choose between three items: rock (defeats scissor, but loses to paper), paper (defeats rock, but loses to scissors), and scissors (defeats paper, but loses to rock). If the player and computer choose the same item, the game is a tie.

Extend this program to include different algorithmic strategies for choosing the best item. Should the computer pick randomly? Should the computer always pick a particular item or a repeating pattern of items? Should it count the number of times the opponent chooses various items and base its strategy on this history? Be creative here. Each strategy should be in its own method, and at the start of a round of games the user should be able to choose which strategy to play against. Include at least two strategies.

Problem 2

Write a program that allows the user to play a simple guessing game in which you think up an integer and have the computer guess the integer until it gets it right. For each incorrect guess you will tell the program whether the right answer is higher or lower. Your program is required to *exactly* reproduce the format and behavior of the log of execution.

You are to define a class constant for the maximum number used in the guessing game. The sample log shows the program making guesses from 1 to 100, but the choice of 100 is arbitrary. By introducing a constant for 100, you should be able to change just the value of the constant to make the program play the game with a range of 1 to 50 or a range of 1 to 250 or some other range starting with 1.

When you ask the user whether or not to play again, you should use the next() method of the Scanner class to read a one-word answer from the user. You should continue playing if this answer begins with the letter "y" or the letter "Y". Notice that the user is allowed to type words like "yes". You are to look just at the first letter of the user's response and see whether it begins with a "y" or "n" (either capitalized or not) to determine whether to play again.

Assume that the user always types "higher", "lower", or "correct" in response to the program's guess, that the user guesses an appropriate number and answers truthfully, and that the user gives you a one-word answer beginning with "y", "Y", "n" or "N" when asked whether to play again.

You will notice at the end of the log that you are to report various statistics about the series of games played by the user. You are to report the total number of games played, the total number of guesses made (all games included), the average number of guesses per game and the maximum number of guesses used in any single game.

Log of execution (user input bolded)

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This program allows you to play a guessing game.
Think of a number between 1 and 100
and I will guess until I get it.
For each guess, tell me if the
right answer is higher or lower than your guess, or if it is correct.
Think of a number...
My guess: 66
higher
My guess: 90
lower
My quess: 88
lower
My guess: 85
correct
I got it right in 4 guesses
Do you want to play again? Yes
Think of a number...
My guess: 20
lower
My guess: 15
lower
My guess: 12
lower
My guess: 8
higher
My guess: 10
lower
My guess: 9
correct
I got it right in 6 guesses
Do you want to play again? No
Overall results:
    total games
    total guesses = 10
    guesses/game = 5.0
    max guesses
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Problem 3

Write a reverse Hangman game in which the user thinks of a word and the computer tries to guess the letters in that word. The user tells the computer how many letters the word contains. Your program must output what the computer guessed on each turn, and show the partially completed word. It also must use pseudorandom functions to make guesses (i.e., it should not simply try all the letters in order, nor should it use the user's input to its advantage) and it should not guess the same letter more than once.

NOTE:

- 1. You are not allowed to use String methods that have not been discussed in class.
- 2. Because this program uses pseudorandom numbers, you won't be able to recreate this exact log. The key requirement is that you reproduce the format of this log.

Log of execution (user input bolded)

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This program plays a game of reverse hangman.
You think up a word (by typing it on the computer) and I'll try to guess
the letters.
How many letters are in your word? 5
Please enter the word for me to guess (letters only): hello
I've got 0 of the 5 letters so far
I quess: M
Is that letter in the word? n
I've got 0 of the 5 letters so far
I quess: U
Is that letter in the word? n
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I've got 0 of the 5 letters so far I guess: G Is that letter in the word? \boldsymbol{n}



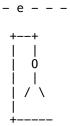
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I've got 0 of the 5 letters so far
I guess: P
Is that letter in the word? n



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I've got 0 of the 5 letters so far
I guess: E
Is that letter in the word? y
How many of that letter are in the word? 1

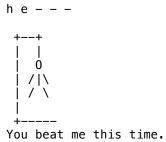


I've got 1 of the 5 letters so far
I guess: V
Is that letter in the word? n



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I've got 1 of the 5 letters so far I guess: \mbox{H}



Guidelines:

For this assignment you should limit yourself to the Java features covered in class so far (lecture 22).

Grading:

You will be graded on

- External Correctness: The output of your program should match exactly what is expected. Programs that do not compile will not receive points for external correctness.
- o **Internal Correctness:** Your source code should follow the stylistic guidelines shown in class. Also, remember to include the comment header at the beginning of your program.

Submission:

Create a folder named PA5 containing all your java files. Name your java files Problem1.java, Problem2.java, etc. Zip the folder, named PA5_USERNAME.zip (where USERNAME is your Brandeis username – your email address without the @brandeis.edu), and submit it via Latte the day it is due, **Thursday, Nov 3 at 11:00pm**.

For example, if your email is dilant@brandeis.edu, you will submit a file PA5 dilant.zip.

NOTE: Make sure that your submission is in the correct format, and that all your files work as you intend them to before submitting. Additionally, make sure you are submitting the .java files, not the .class files. Any submissions not in a zip file will receive a zero, and any assignments that don't compile or that don't have .java files will receive a zero. There will be no exceptions to this rule.