

**University of Victoria**  
**Department of Computer Science**  
**CSC 110 Fundamentals of Programming**  
**ASSIGNMENT 1**

**DUE: January 19, 2018 before 11:50 pm – By submission on ConneX only**

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*Assignment Instructions*

*How to hand in your work*

Submit the requested files for parts (b) and (c) (see below) through the Assignment #1 link on the CSC 110 conneX site. Please make sure you follow all the required steps for submission (including the final confirmation of your submission). Part (a) is not marked.

*Marking*

Your mark will be based on:

- Your code compiling and running.
- Your code producing the output exactly as requested, and calculating the object's dimensions correctly.
- Your code indented and appropriately documented via comments. (Please follow the guidelines in codingConventions.pdf available in the "Notes" section in the "Resources" on conneX.)

*Part (a): Problems from the Textbook*

Complete the Chapter 1 Self--Check Problems 1 to 20 and compare your answers to those given by the textbook authors at: <http://www.buildingjavaprograms.com/self-check-solutions-4ed.html>

*Part (b): ASCII Art*

Write a program that creates a version of the Canadian flag using ASCII art, as follows:

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This looks best when your terminal uses a monospaced font such as Courier.

It is composed of the following characters: space, asterisk (\*), forward slash (/), back slash (\), carot (^), vertical line ('|') and the hyphen('-').

Write a Java file that creates this ASCII art flag as output.

File to submit: **Flag.java**

### Part (c): Math calculations

The number Pi ( $\pi$ ) is the ratio of any circle's circumference to its diameter. Researchers are constantly searching for a more accurate representation of  $\pi$ . In many programming libraries, however, this number is approximated with the following calculation:

$$\pi = 4 \times ( 1 - 1/3 + 1/5 - 1/7 + 1/9 - 1/11 + 1/13 - 1/15 + \dots )$$

(Recall from math that  $\dots$  means that this series is infinite or goes on forever.)

1. (Hand Calculations – Simplified Test Case) Use a calculator and paper/pencil to determine an approximation for  $\pi$  using only the first 8 terms of the sequence above.

$$\pi = 4 \times ( 1 - 1/3 + 1/5 - 1/7 + 1/9 - 1/11 + 1/13 - 1/15 ) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Write down as many decimal points as your calculator provides for you, then re-check your calculation several times.

2. (Program – Simplified Program) Write a Java program that approximates  $\pi$  using the first 8 terms of the sequence.

Although this can be done by simply typing the numbers  $1 - 1/3 + 1/5 - 1/7 + 1/9 - 1/11 + 1/13 - 1/15$  into your editor then multiplying by 4 (and you can try it that way at first), do not move on to step 3 (below) until you have written your program using the following to create this series:

- a. Create a variable called `nextTerm` and assign it (initially) the value 1.
- b. Create a variable called `denominator` and assign it (initially) the value 1.
- c. Create a variable called `series` and assign it (initially) the value 0.
- d. Do the following 8 times:
  - i. Add (`nextTerm`/`denominator`) to the series.
  - ii. Add 2 to the denominator.
  - iii. Multiply the `nextTerm` by -1.

Multiply the series by 4 then output the result.

Sample output of this program:

**Pi is approximately 3.017071817071818**

3. (Complete Program) Write a Java program that approximates  $\pi$  using the first 400 terms of the sequence above.

Sample output of this program:

**Pi is approximately 3.1390926574960143**

File to submit: **ApproxPI.java**

### *Grading scheme*

- A grade: An exceptional submission demonstrating creativity and initiative. The two programs run without any problems, have the expected output and follow the coding conventions beautifully.
- B grade: A submission completing the requirements of the assignment. The two programs run without any problems and have the expected output.
- C grade: A submission completing most of the requirements of the assignment. The programs run with some problems OR only one program runs without any problems and has the expected output.
- D grade: A serious attempt at completing requirements for the assignment. The two programs run with quite a few problems OR only one program runs with some problems.
- F grade: Either no submission given, the submission does not compile, or submission represents very little work.