

Recitation 3



Overview

■ Functions

- Function signature
- Function params
- void, return type
- Error control
- Overloading

■ Overflow

Question 1 – Substrings

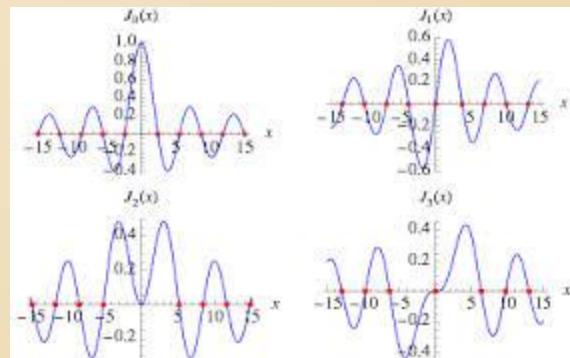
- A substring of a string, is any string which is wholly contained in the original string.
- Examples:
 - “kawa” is a substring of “kawa banga”
 - “banga” is a substring of “kawa banga”
 - “wa ba” is a substring of “kawa banga”
 - “hi” is not a substring of “kawa banga”
 - “kawabanga” is not a substring of “kawa banga”
- Design a program which does the following:
 - Receives two non-empty strings from the users.
 - Checks if the first string is a substring of the second.
 - Let the user know.

Question 1 - Solution

```
public class IsSubstring {
    public static void main(String[] args){
        String firstString = args[0];
        String secondString = args[1];
        boolean isSub = false;
        int lastIndex = secondString.length() - firstString.length() + 1;
        for (int i = 0; i < lastIndex && !isSub ; i++){
            if (firstString.charAt(0) == secondString.charAt(i)){
                isSub = true;
                for (int j = 0; j < firstString.length() && isSub ; j++){
                    isSub = (firstString.charAt(j) == secondString.charAt(i + j));
                }
            }
        }
        System.out.println(isSub);
    }
}
```

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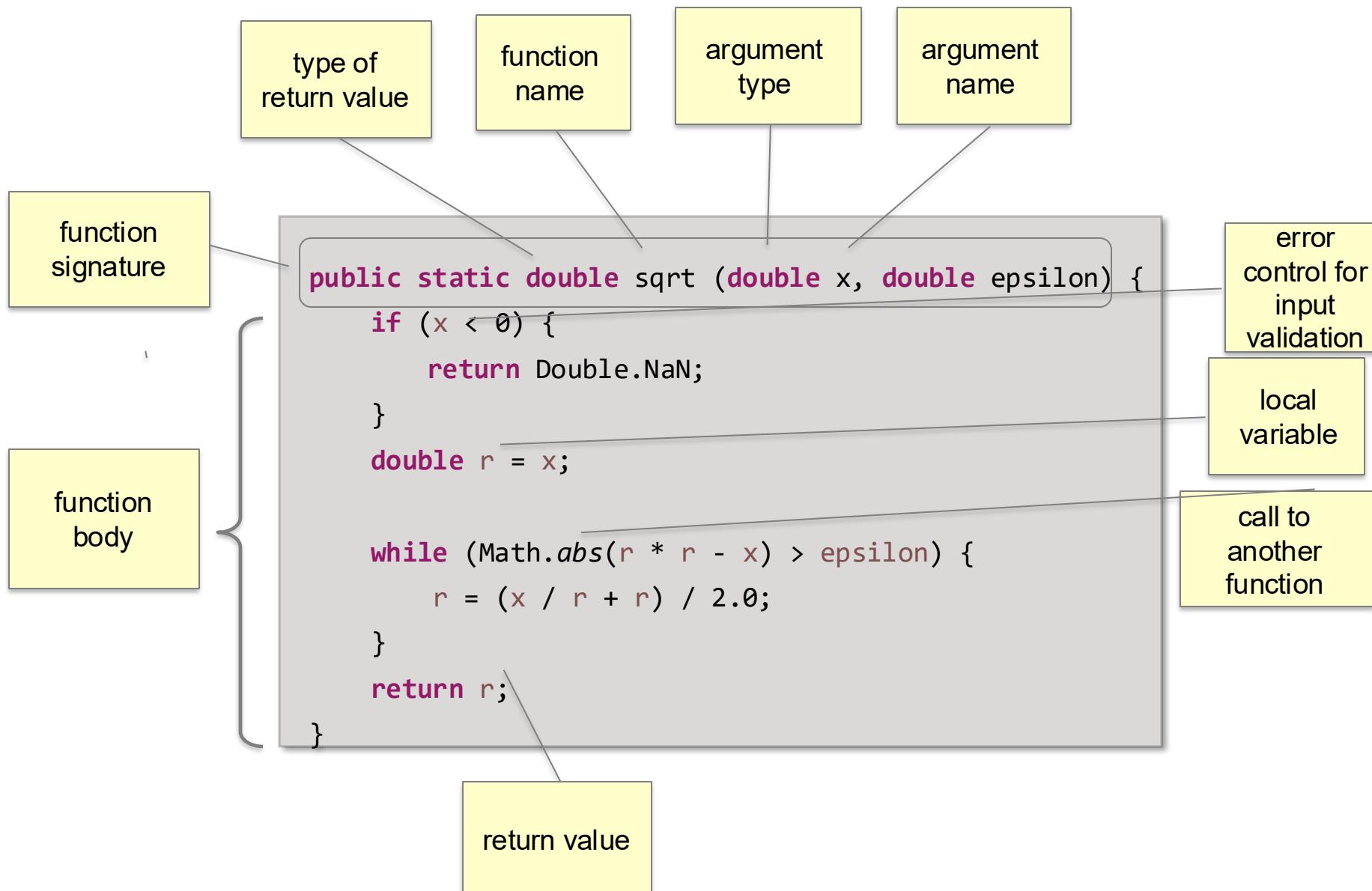
Functions



Functions

- Functions are independent part of a code which do a certain operation.
- Functions may have input and may have output.
- Functions are essential tool for developers.
- When I need to build a helper function ?
- **DRY** Method -> Don't Repeat Yourself
- If you have a code which has certain input, get certain output and don't influence the rest of your code.

Function anatomy



Determine the Outputs

```
public static void main(String[] args){  
    int x = 1;  
    System.out.println(x); //1  
    add5(x);  
    System.out.println(x); //1  
}
```

```
public static void add5(int y){  
    y = y + 5;  
}
```

if the type of the
return value is void
means no value is
returned

Determine the Outputs

```
public static void main(String[] args){  
    int x = 1;  
    System.out.println(x); //1  
    add5(x);  
    System.out.println(x); //1  
}
```

```
public static int add5(int y){  
    y = y + 5;  
    return y;  
}
```

return type must
match the type
mentioned in the
signature. if not must
be matched

Determine the Outputs

```
public static void main(String[] args){  
    int x = 1;  
    System.out.println(x); //1  
    x = add5(x);  
    System.out.println(x); //6  
}
```

```
public static int add5(int y){  
    y = y + 5;  
    return y;  
}
```

Question 1, Expansion 1 – Substrings

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 - "hi" is not a substring of "kawa banga"
 - "kawabanga" is not a substring of "kawa banga"
- Design a function which:
 - Receives two non-empty strings from the users.
 - Checks if the first string is a substring of the second.

Question 1, Expansion 1 - Solution (Converted into function)

```
public static boolean isSubstring(String smaller, String bigger){  
    boolean isSub = false;  
    int lastIndex = bigger.length() - smaller.length() + 1;  
    for (int i = 0; i < lastIndex && !isSub ; i++){  
        if (smaller.charAt(0) == bigger.charAt(i)){  
            isSub = true;  
            for (int j = 0; j < smaller.length() && isSub ; j++){  
                isSub = (smaller.charAt(j) == bigger.charAt(i + j));  
            }  
        }  
    }  
    return isSub;  
}
```

Question 1, Expansion 2 - Strong password

- To keep our information online secured, some applications require that we define a password for our account.
- To prevent hacking into our account, (and give the hackers a hard time) we need to choose strong passwords.
- In most applications a strong password must be at least n characters long, and contains at least 1 lowercase letter, 1 uppercase letter, and 1 digit.
- Write a function that receives a password (String) and returns true if it's a strong password or false if not under the following rules:
 - The password must be 6 character long.
 - The password must have at least 1 uppercase letter.
 - The password must have at least 1 lowercase letter.
 - The password must have at least 1 digit.

Question 1, Expansion 2 - Strong password

```
//Receives a String pass and returns if its a strong password
public static boolean isStrongPassword(String pass) {

    boolean len = pass.length() >= 6;
    boolean hasUpper = false;
    boolean hasLower = false;
    boolean hasDigit = false;

    if (!len){
        return false;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < pass.length(); i++){
        if (pass.charAt(i) >= 'a' && pass.charAt(i) <= 'z') {
            hasLower = true;
        } else if (pass.charAt(i) >= 'A' && pass.charAt(i) <= 'Z') {
            hasUpper = true;
        } else if (pass.charAt(i) >= '0' && pass.charAt(i) <= '9') {
            hasDigit = true;
        }
    }
    return (hasLower && hasUpper && hasDigit);
}
```

// discussion why the last line is not: **return** (hasLower && hasUpper && hasDigit && len); ?

Question 1, Expansion 2 - Strong password (another version, continue)

```
//Receives a char ch and returns true if its a valid digit
public static boolean isDigit(char ch){
    return ch >= '0' && ch <= '9';
}

//Receives a char ch and returns true if its a valid upper case letter
public static boolean isUpper(char ch){
    return ch >= 'A' && ch <= 'Z';
}

//Receives a char ch and returns true if its a valid lower case letter
public static boolean isLower(char ch){
    return ch >= 'a' && ch <= 'z';
}
```

Question 1, Expansion 2 - Strong password (another version)

```
//Receives a String pass and returns if its a strong password
public static boolean isStrongPassword(String pass){

    boolean len = pass.length() >= 6;
    boolean hasUpper = false;
    boolean hasLower = false;
    boolean hasDigit = false;

    if (!len){
        return false;
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < pass.length(); i++){
        char current = pass.charAt(i);
        if (isLower(current)) {
            hasLower = true;
        } else if (isUpper(current)) {
            hasUpper = true;
        } else if (isDigit(current)) {
            hasDigit = true;
        }
    }
    return (capital && small && digit);
}
```

// discussion why the last line is not: **return** (capital && small && digit && len); ?

Question 1, Expansion 2 - Strong password – testing solution

```
public class StrongPassword {  
    public static void main (String[] args) {  
        String password = args[0];  
        boolean valid = isValid(password);  
  
        if (valid) {  
            System.out.println("The password is strong");  
        } else {  
            System.out.println("The password is not strong");  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static boolean isStongPassword(String pass) {  
        . . .  
    }  
}
```

```
% java StrongPassword yael  
the password is not valid  
  
% java StrongPassword a3eT65e  
the password is valid
```

Question 1, Expansion 3 - Valid password

- Let's expand. Some applications go one step above it, and doesn't allow the password to contain the first name of the user.
- Write a function that receives a password (String), and a name (String of only letters) and returns true if it's a valid password based on the following conditions:
 - The password must be 6 character long.
 - The password must have at least 1 uppercase letter.
 - The password must have at least 1 lowercase letter.
 - The password must have at least 1 digit.
 - The password must not contain the name of the user.
 - You may assume that the name appears in lowercase inside the password.

Question 1, Expansion 3 - Solution

```
//Receives a String pass and returns if its a strong password
public static boolean isStrongPassword(String pass, String name){
    boolean len = pass.length() >= 6;
    boolean capital = false;
    boolean small = false;
    boolean digit = false;

    if (!len || isSubstring(pass, name)){
        return false;
    }

    for (int i = 0; i < pass.length(); i++){
        char current = pass.charAt(i);
        if (isLower(current)) {
            hasLower = true;
        } else if (isUpper(current)) {
            hasUpper = true;
        } else if (isDigit(current)) {
            hasDigit = true;
        }
    }
    return (capital && small && digit);
}
```

Question 1, Expansion 3 – testing solution

```
public class StrongPassword {  
    public static void main (String[] args) {  
        String password = args[0];  
        String name = args[1];  
        boolean valid = isValid(password, name);  
  
        if (valid) {  
            System.out.println("the password is valid");  
        } else {  
            System.out.println("the password is not valid");  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static boolean isStrongPassword(String pass) {  
        . . .  
    }  
}
```

```
% java ValidPassword yael dan  
the password is not valid  
  
% java ValidPassword yaelL123  
yael  
  
the password is not valid  
  
% java ValidPassword a3eT65e yael  
the password is valid
```

Question 2 – Factorial

- One of the few functions which aren't supported by Math library is factorial.
- Factorial is a function which receives a nonnegative number (n) and return the multiplication of every positive number up to that point, the function is denoted $\underline{n!}$:
 - $2! = 1 * 2$
 - $5! = 1 * 2 * 3 * 4 * 5$
 - $0! = 1$
 - $n! = 1 * 2 * \dots * (n-1) * n$
- The factorial function is used in permutations, combinations, and various other mathematical and statistical computations.
- Design a function which calculates the operation.

Question 2 – Factorial

```
public static int factorial(int n) {  
    int ans = 1;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        ans *= i;  
    }  
    return ans;  
}
```

Question 2 – Factorial

- Let's test our function

```
public static void main(String [] args) {  
    System.out.println(factorial(1));  
    System.out.println(factorial(0));  
    System.out.println(factorial(5));  
    System.out.println(factorial(-1));  
    System.out.println(factorial(20));  
}
```

Expected output:

```
1  
1  
120  
error of sort  
2432902008176640000
```

Question 2 – Factorial

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    System.out.println(factorial(20));  
}
```

Expected output:

1
1
120
error of sort
2432902008176640000

Actual output:

1
1
120
1
-2102132736

Question 2, Expansion 1 – Factorial, Error Control

- Let's focus first on the first error, and fix it,
- When you get an input which should be invalid, or rather have a value which indicates that something happen/didn't happen you want to return a value which will tell you what went wrong inside the function. We will want to return a value which represent an error of some sort.
- When the function returns a `String` value that is easy. However, what do I do when my function returns an `int?` or other type?
- You return a value which the function cannot return regularly. We already saw an example for that in the method `str.indexOf(char ch)`.
- if the char 'ch' wasn't found, we will just return -1. Since in java there is no -1 index in the string.
- Example: "hello".`indexOf('A')`:
 - Will result -1.

Actual output:

```
1  
1  
120  
1  
-2102132736
```

Question 2, Expansion 1 – Factorial, Error Control

- That for every non-negative integer n , the claim: $n! \leq (n+1)!$, holds.
- Therefore, $0!$ is the smallest value which is 1 since 0, can have other purposes (next recitation) we will use -1.
- Why we rather use -1 over 3 ? Its easier to notice that there is something wrong.

```
public static int factorial(int n) {  
    if (n < 0){  
        return -1;  
    }  
    int ans = 1;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        ans *= i;  
    }  
    return ans;  
}
```

error
control for
input
validation

Question 2, Expansion 1 – Factorial, Error Control

- Let's test our function after the change

```
public static void main(String [] args) {  
    System.out.println(factorial(1));  
    System.out.println(factorial(0));  
    System.out.println(factorial(5));  
    System.out.println(factorial(-1));  
    System.out.println(factorial(20));  
}
```

Expected output:

1
1
120
error of sort
2432902008176640000

Actual output:

1
1
120
-1 // changed
-2102132736

Question 2, Expansion 2 - What happened?

- Let's move to the other problem.
- First, let's understand why the value not make sense?
 - $20! = 1 * 2 * 3 * \dots * 20$
 - As we recall, in factorial we only multiply positive numbers with other positive numbers, therefore, the result should be always be positive, yet the number -2102132736 is a negative number.
- So, what happened here???



overflow

Question 2, Expansion 2 - Overflow

- What is overflow?
- As we know, each number representing whole number has a max value, and a min value.
- We both stored the value and returned it as int. If you recall int type has max value of 2,147,483,647, the value of 20! (2,432,902,008,176,640,000), exceeds it. Therefore, it moved to the minimum value of int.

Let's look at byte, to understand it with more manageable numbers.

Reminder: The min value of byte is -128, the max value of byte is 127.

If I was to write the following code:

```
public static void main(String [] args) {  
    byte b = 127;  
    b += 1;  
    System.out.println(b);  
}
```

It will cycle back to the min value of byte, which is -128, hence b will be -128.

You must be thinking ok you will know that these things in advance, but this is not always the case, this bug appeared, got mainstream media attention.

Overflow - Problem from real life

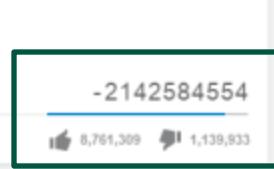
- In December 2014, The song "Gangnam Style" by the artist PSY was the most played video on Youtube (at that time) and reached 2.1 billion views.
- Youtube stored the view numbers of a video as an int, therefore, once it reached the max value of int which is 2,147,483,647 it overflowed and switched into negative number of views.
- So, they had to change the value stored the views variables into long.

PSY - GANGNAM STYLE (강남스타일) M/V

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<https://www.vox.com/2014/12/3/7326945/gangnam-style-got-so-many-views-that-it-nearly-broke-youtube>

- Let's apply the same solution to our code.

Question 2, Expansion 2 – Overflow

```
public static long factorial(long n) {  
    if (n < 0){  
        return -1;  
    }  
    long ans = 1;  
    for (long i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        ans *= i;  
    }  
    return ans;  
}
```

Question 2, Expansion 2 – Factorial

- Let's test our function after the change

```
public static void main(String [] args) {  
    System.out.println(factorial(1));  
    System.out.println(factorial(0));  
    System.out.println(factorial(5));  
    System.out.println(factorial(-1));  
    System.out.println(factorial(20));  
}
```

Expected output:

1
1
120
error of sort
2432902008176640000

Actual output:

1
1
120
-1
2432902008176640000 // changed

Question 3, Expansion 3 – Binomial coefficient

- The binomial coefficient, often referred to as "n choose k" or "combinations", is a fundamental concept in combinatorics. It represents the number of ways to choose k items from a set of n items without replacement and without order.
- Where:

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

- Design a program which implements the formula mentioned above which receives the values for n and k as command line arguments and passes them to functions

```
% java Binomial 5 2
```

```
10
```

```
% java Binomial 15 6
```

```
5005
```

Question 3, Expansion 3 – Solution

```
public class BinomialCoefficient {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        long n = Integer.parseInt(args[0]); //GOOD NAME DUE TO FORMULA  
        long k = Integer.parseInt(args[1]); //GOOD NAME DUE TO FORMULA  
        System.out.println(binomial(n, k));  
    }  
    public static long binomial(long n, long k) {  
        if (n < 0 || k < 0){  
            return -1;  
        }  
        long numerator = factorial(n);  
        long denoPart1 = factorial(k);  
        long denoPart2 = factorial(n - k);  
        return numerator / (denoPart1 * denoPart2);  
    }  
  
    public static long factorial(long n) {  
        if (n < 0){  
            return -1;  
        }  
        long ans = 1;  
        for (long i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
            ans *= i;  
        }  
        return ans;  
    }  
}
```

Question 3, Expansion 4 – Students Union

- Consider the following problem.
- You have a class of n students. k of these students need to participate in the student union. l of the students in the union need to be part of the students' council.
- In how many ways can you choose a student union and council?
- The answer is purely combinatorial:

$$\binom{n}{k} \binom{k}{l}$$

- Write a program which:
 - Reads n,k,l as command line arguments. Such that $n > k$ and $k > l$.
 - Prints the number of ways a students union/council can be assembled.
- Examples:

```
% java StudentsUnion 10 5 2
```

```
2520
```

```
% java StudentsUnion 15 8 4
```

```
450450
```

Question 3, Expansion 4 - Solution

```
public class StudentsUnion {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        long n = Integer.parseInt(args[0]); //GOOD NAME DUE TO FORMULA
        long k = Integer.parseInt(args[1]); //GOOD NAME DUE TO FORMULA
        long l = Integer.parseInt(args[2]); //GOOD NAME DUE TO FORMULA
        System.out.println(binomial(n, k) * binomial(k, l));
    }

    public static long binomial(long n, long k) {
        if (n < 0 || k < 0){
            return -1;
        }
        long numerator = factorial(n);
        long denoPart1 = factorial(k);
        long denoPart2 = factorial(n - k);
        return numerator / (denoPart1 * denoPart2);
    }

    public static long factorial(long n) {
        if (n < 0){
            return -1;
        }
        long ans = 1;
        for (long i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
            ans *= i;
        }
        return ans;
    }
}
```

Overloading

- Consider the following, `System.out.println()`, is a function.
- How come you can print a String and you print an int with the same `System.out.println()` function? Since the signature of the function supposed to be different?
- Definition: Functions will be overloading functions if they share the same name under the same scope.
- Two functions can have the same name if and only if they have some difference in signature, which means a difference their parameters. (type, number, order).
- Note: Conventionally, overloading functions usually do the same operation with slight adjustment of type or functionality, but generally it is the same.

Question 4 – Substring

- You learned the function `str.substring` in the lectures, the function returns a part of a string based on the indices given.
- Build 3 variations the function `substring`.
 - Receives a String and 1 integer number (given beginning to end of string)
 - Receives a String and 2 integer numbers (given beginning to given end)
 - Receives a String and 1 integer number (begin of string to given end)
 - No input validation is required.
 - Use the same function name "subs" for each.
- Is there a problem?
- YES .
 - The 1st and 3rd functions have problem since they both receive 2 parameters, String and int.
 - We can flip the order of the parameters, but this will be uncomfortable for the user. So, what do we do?
 - Use a boolean.

Question 4 – Overloading Substring - Solution

```
public static String subs(String str, int start) {  
    String res = "";  
    for (int i = start; i < str.length(); i++) {  
        res += str.charAt(i);  
    }  
    return res;  
}
```

A

```
public static String subs(String str, int start, int end) {  
    String res = "";  
    for (int i = start; i < end; i++) {  
        res += str.charAt(i);  
    }  
    return res;  
}
```

B

```
public static String subs(String str, int index, boolean isStartWithIndex) {  
    if (isStartWithIndex){  
        return subs(str, index); // goes to A  
    }  
    return subs(str, 0, index); // goes to B  
}
```

C

Question 4 – Usage

```
public class Substring {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        String word = "Hello World";  
        String word1 = subs(word, 3); // lo World  
        String word2 = subs(word, 3, 7); // lo W  
        String word3 = subs(word, 2, true); // llo World  
        String word4 = subs(word, 2, false); // He  
    }  
  
    // Code from previous slide  
}
```