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Assignment 1

CT2109 OOP

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```
~~~~~  
HEY! Welcome to the game...  
Type the alphabet in order!
```

```
Hit enter between letters  
~~~~~
```

```
| k  
| [k: Correct! Now type l]  
| l  
| [l: Correct! Now type m]  
| m  
| [m: Correct! Now type n]  
| n  
| [n: Correct! Now type o]
```

```
z  
[Correct! Well done!]
```

Time taken: 9.968seconds

Congratulations!!! :)

## Problem Statement with Analysis and Design Notes

A game where the player chooses to either recite the alphabet forwards or backwards.

### Problem Analysis and Pseudocode

#### PSEUDOCODE START

//An array of chars will be used. 26 elements big.

declare array of characters

//The player is instructed on how to play the game.

print message

//Then the player is asked to choose forwards or backwards.

print message

//This requires an input from the player. This has to be either f or b. If neither is input put an error message and ask again.

get input

int choice = -1

while(choice == -1)

{

    choice = ...

    1 if forwards

    0 if backwards

    -1 if neither is chosen AND print message //invalid input

}

if input is f

{

    Start a timer

    bool playingGame = 1

```

//playing forwards
while playingGame == 1
{
    input a character
    if input is equal to next character in array: increment array and print message

    //The game ends once the last character has been correctly chosen
    if i = 26: playingGame = 0
}
end timer
}

else if input is b
{
    Start a timer
    bool playingGame = 1

    //playing forwards
    while playingGame == 1
    {
        input a character
        if input is equal to next character in array: decrement array and print message

        //The game ends once the last character has been correctly chosen
        if i = -1: playingGame = 0
    }
    end timer
}

display results

```

PSEUDOCODE END

### My design notes

How to loop the array backwards? Start with 25 and – until 0.

Maybe use an if statement and have 2 different loops. One that goes from index 0 -> 25 and One that goes from index 25 -> 0

//Once a direction is chosen the first character (the correct character that the player's input will be checked against) must be set. If forwards i = 0 if backwards i = 25.

Scanner will be used for getting the user input

Extra precaution needs to be taken with the inputs. A user may enter multiple characters. In which case I only want the first letter to be taken. I will use the charAt method for this.

A user may press enter twice, entering an empty string. This may cause problems so a check will be in place to check if the length of the input is 0 using the .length() method.

To make a timer:

Get the current time in milliseconds when the timer is “started”.

When the timer is ended: get the current time in milliseconds.

The time elapsed is (end - start).

Convert this value to seconds.

And display it.

The program will run in an infinite loop using a while loop. This allows the player to play again if they choose.

The program will be inside a function so the while loop can easily start the game and restart it when it's over.

## Code

```
import java.util.Scanner;

/**
 * Write a description of class GameTest here.
 *
 * @Maxwell Maia
 * @Alphabet Game
 */
public class GameTest
{

    public GameTest()
    {

    }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        GameTest p = new GameTest(); //object to test the game with

        System.out.println("Play? (y/n): ");
        //Infinitely ask the player to play the game
        //Variables to get user input
        String userInputString = "";
        char userInputChar;
        //Scanner for user input
        Scanner inputScanner = new Scanner(System.in);

        //Loop that plays the game if user types 'y'.
        while(true)
        {
```

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//Get user input as a String from Scanner
userInputString = inputScanner.nextLine();

//Get the first character of the String
if(userInputString.length() == 0)
{
    //In case someone presses enter twice
    userInputChar = 's'; //s' will be counted as invalid. This will count as invalid and
the program will continue without crashing
}
else
{
    userInputChar = userInputString.charAt(0);
}

//Did the user press f, b or an invalid input?
if(userInputChar == 'y')
{
    //Start the game
    p.play();

    System.out.println("\n*****");
    System.out.println("\nPlay again? (y/n): ");
}
else if(userInputChar == 'n')
{
    System.out.println("Ok bye ;)");
    break;
}
else
{
    //invalid
    System.out.println("Invalid. enter only 'y' or 'n'");
}

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    }
}

//p.play(); /// start the game
}

public void play()
{
    //Instructing player

System.out.println("~~~~~");

    System.out.println("HEY! Welcome to the game... \nType the alphabet in order!\n\nHit
enter between letters");

System.out.println("~~~~~\n***");

    //initilizing char array with alphabet loaded

    char[] alphabet = {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'j', 'k', 'l', 'm', 'n', 'o', 'p', 'q', 'r', 's', 't', 'u',
    'v', 'w', 'x', 'y', 'z'};

    //scanner for user input
    Scanner inputScanner = new Scanner(System.in);

    //Getting the choice of forwards or backwards from user
    //Initilize the variables needed
    int playerChoice = -1;
    String userInputString = "";
    char userInputChar;

    while(playerChoice == -1)
    {
        System.out.println("Hmm, do you want to play forwards or backwards?\n(f/b)\nEnter
your answer:");
    }
}

```

```

//Get user input as a String from Scanner
userInputString = inputScanner.nextLine();
//Get the first character of the String
if(userInputString.length() == 0)
{
    //In case someone presses enter twice
    userInputChar = 's'; //s' will be counted as invalid. This will count as invalid and
the program will continue without crashing
}
else
{
    userInputChar = userInputString.charAt(0);
}

//Did the user press f, b or an invalid input?
if(userInputChar == 'f')
{
    playerChoice = 0;
}
else if(userInputChar == 'b')
{
    playerChoice = 1;
}
else
{
    //invalid
    System.out.println("Invalid. You must enter either 'f' or 'b' to start.");
}
}

int gameInProgress = 0;
//Gamemode has been chosen.

```



```

//Time to start the game based on the gamemode
//note: inputScanner and String + char variables will be reused to save on memory
if(playerChoice == 0)
{
    //playing forwards
    System.out.println("\nPlaying forwards");
    System.out.println("*****");
    System.out.println("Get ready and have fun :D \nIt's not a competition.\n");
    System.out.println("\nEnter the first letter of the alphabet and press enter to start: ");

    //get the first input
    //Get user input as a String from Scanner
    userInputString = inputScanner.nextLine();
    //Get the first character of the String
    if(userInputString.length() == 0)
    {
        //In case someone presses enter twice
        userInputChar = 's'; //s' will be counted as invalid. This will count as invalid and
the program will continue without crashing
    }
    else
    {
        userInputChar = userInputString.charAt(0);
    }

    gameInProgress = 0;
    char nextChar = 'G'; //initialized to G to help with debugging
    int i = 0;
    long startTime = 0;
    long elapsedTime = 0;
    //Loop until the user gets the last letter correct
    while(true)
    {

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//Find the value of the next correct character
if(i <= 25)
{
    nextChar = alphabet[i];
}

//Check if input was correct
if(userInputChar == nextChar)
{
    //Display output message saying you were correct
    if(i < 25)
    {
        System.out.println "["+nextChar+": Correct! Now type "+ alphabet[i+1] + "];
    }
    else
    {
        System.out.println "[Correct! Well done!] \n";
    }

    //Also,if it was the first one he got right,
    //start the timer.
    if(gameInProgress == 0)
    {
        //Start timer
        startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();

        gameInProgress = 1;
    }

    //Increment i only if a correct answer was given
    i++;

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    }

    //Exit the loop if he has gotten the last letter correct
    if(i == 26)
    {
        //Stop timer
        //elapsedTime is currentTime - startTime.
        elapsedTime = System.currentTimeMillis() - startTime;

        gameInProgress = 0;
        break;
    }

    //Get next user input as a String from Scanner
    userInputString = inputScanner.nextLine();
    //Get the first character of the String
    if(userInputString.length() == 0)
    {
        //In case someone presses enter twice
        userInputChar = 's'; //s' will be counted as invalid. This will count as invalid and
        the program will continue without crashing
    }
    else
    {
        userInputChar = userInputString.charAt(0);
    }
}

//Display timer result
System.out.println("Time taken: " + (float)elapsedTime / 1000 +
"seconds\n\nCongratulations!!! :)");

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    }
    else if (playerChoice == 1)
    {
        //playing backwards

        //All the same code, except when the alphabet array is referenced "25 - " is added in
        the index e.g. alphabet[25 - i]

        //This allows the game to be played backwards.
        System.out.println("\nPlaying backwards");
        System.out.println("*****");
        System.out.println("Get ready and have fun :D \nIt's not a competition.\n");
        System.out.println("\nEnter the last letter of the alphabet and press enter to start: ");

        //get the first input
        //Get user input as a String from Scanner
        userInputString = inputScanner.nextLine();
        //Get the first character of the String
        if(userInputString.length() == 0)
        {
            //In case someone presses enter twice

            userInputChar = 's'; //s' will be counted as invalid. This will count as invalid and
            the program will continue without crashing
        }
        else
        {
            userInputChar = userInputString.charAt(0);
        }

        gameInProgress = 0;
        char nextChar = 'G'; //initialized to G to help with debugging
        int i = 0;
        long startTime = 0;
        long elapsedTime = 0;
        //Loop until the user gets the last letter correct

```

```

while(true)
{
    //Find the value of the next correct character
    if(i <= 25)
    {
        nextChar = alphabet[25-i]; //25 - i because we are going backwards
    }

    //Check if input was correct
    if(userInputChar == nextChar)
    {
        //Display output message saying you were correct
        if(i < 25)
        {
            System.out.println("[ "+nextChar+": Correct! Now type "+ alphabet[25-i-1] +
"]");
        }
        else
        {
            System.out.println("[Correct! Well done!] \n");
        }

        //Also,if it was the first one he got right,
        //start the timer.
        if(gameInProgress == 0)
        {
            //Start timer
            startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();

            gameInProgress = 1;
        }
    }
}

```

```

        //Increment i only if a correct answer was given
        i++;
    }

    //Exit the loop if he has gotten the last letter correct
    if(i == 26)
    {
        //Stop timer
        //elapsedTime is currentTime - startTime.
        elapsedTime = System.currentTimeMillis() - startTime;

        gameInProgress = 0;
        break;
    }

    //Get next user input as a String from Scanner
    userInputString = inputScanner.nextLine();
    //Get the first character of the String
    if(userInputString.length() == 0)
    {
        //In case someone presses enter twice
        userInputChar = 's'; //s' will be counted as invalid. This will count as invalid and
the program will continue without crashing
    }
    else
    {
        userInputChar = userInputString.charAt(0);
    }

}

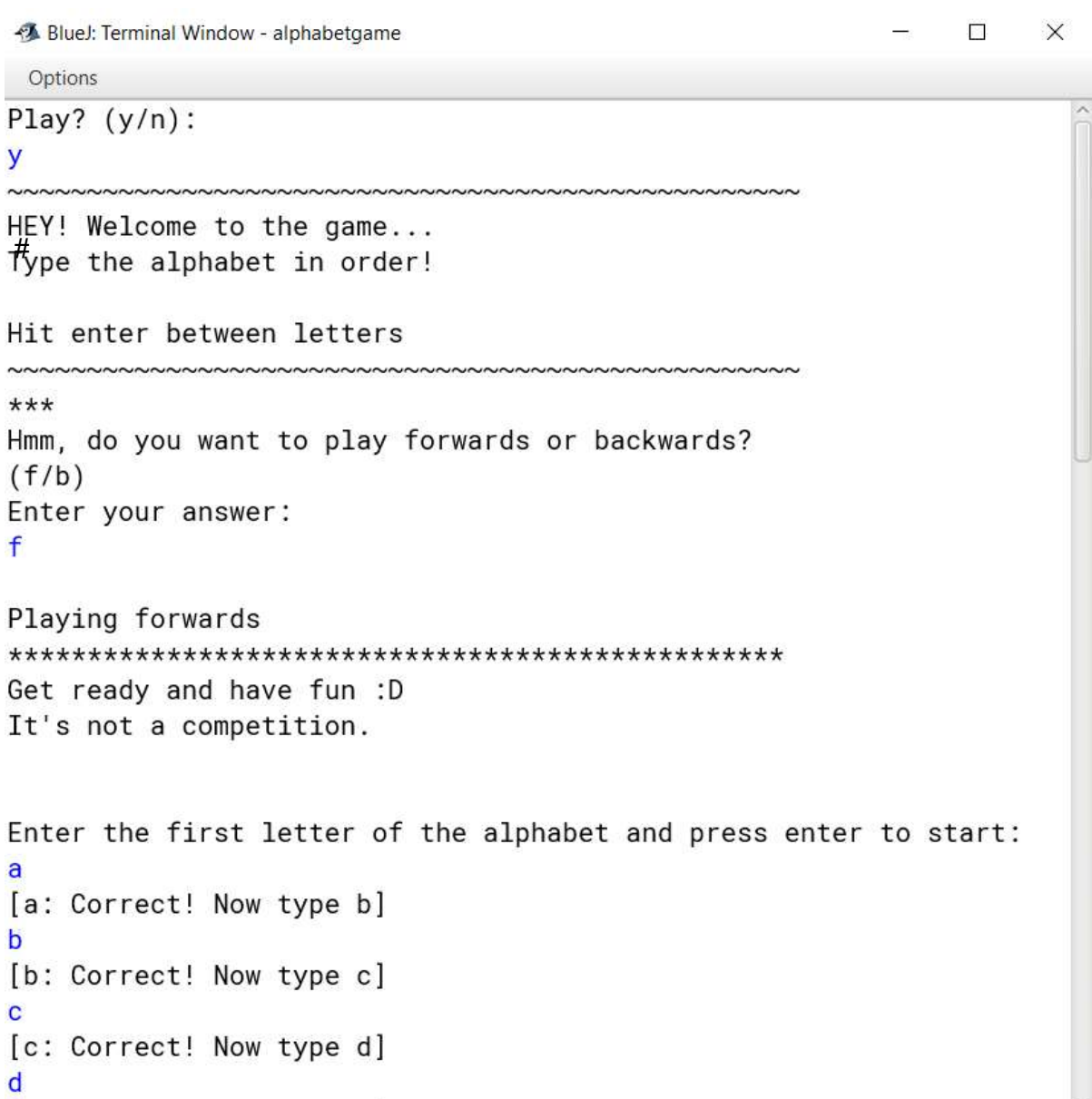
//Display timer result

```

```
        System.out.println("Time taken: " + (float)elapsedTime / 1000 +
"seconds\n\nCongratulations!!! :)");
    }
}
}
```

## Testing

### Normal operation



```
BlueJ: Terminal Window - alphabetgame
Options
Play? (y/n):
y
~~~~~
HEY! Welcome to the game...
#Type the alphabet in order!

Hit enter between letters
~~~~~
***
Hmm, do you want to play forwards or backwards?
(f/b)
Enter your answer:
f

Playing forwards
*****
Get ready and have fun :D
It's not a competition.

Enter the first letter of the alphabet and press enter to start:
a
[a: Correct! Now type b]
b
[b: Correct! Now type c]
c
[c: Correct! Now type d]
d
```

```
[d: Correct! Now type e]
e
[e: Correct! Now type f]
f
[f: Correct! Now type g]
g
[g: Correct! Now type h]
h
[h: Correct! Now type i]
i
[i: Correct! Now type j]
j
[j: Correct! Now type k]
k
[k: Correct! Now type l]
l
[l: Correct! Now type m]
m
[m: Correct! Now type n]
n
[n: Correct! Now type o]
o
[o: Correct! Now type p]
p
[p: Correct! Now type q]
q
[q: Correct! Now type r]
r
[r: Correct! Now type s]
s
[s: Correct! Now type t]
.

t
[t: Correct! Now type u]
u
[u: Correct! Now type v]
v
[v: Correct! Now type w]
w
[w: Correct! Now type x]
x
[x: Correct! Now type y]
y
[y: Correct! Now type z]
z
[Correct! Well done!]
```

Time taken: 10.847seconds

Congratulations!!! :)

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Play again? (y/n):

Type input and press Enter to send to program



## Invalid inputs

```
Play again? (y/n):
g
Invalid. enter only 'y' or 'n'
g
Invalid. enter only 'y' or 'n'

Invalid. enter only 'y' or 'n'

Invalid. enter only 'y' or 'n'
y
~~~~~
HEY! Welcome to the game...
```

Letters other than y and n are correctly detected as invalid.

Pressing Enter is also detected as invalid.

Numbers are also detected as invalid [see picture 4].

When a long string is entered, only the first letter is taken into account. This is intentional. I want it so that if the player types: 'yz' at least the 'y' will be correct.

```
Hmm, do you want to play forwards or backwards?
(f/b)
Enter your answer:
hmmm, nah I'm okay thanks
Invalid. You must enter either 'f' or 'b' to start.
Hmm, do you want to play forwards or backwards?
(f/b)
Enter your answer:
fabulous

Playing forwards
*****
Get ready and have fun :D
```

These validity checks work for the actual game as well. Only the next character is valid and displays a message when entered correctly.

Enter the first letter of the alphabet and press enter to start:

a

[a: Correct! Now type b]

4

twenty

a

b

[b: Correct! Now type c]

cdefg

[c: Correct! Now type d]

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After you type z, the next letter is not displayed as this would take the array out of bounds.

y

[y: Correct! Now type z]

z

[Correct! Well done!]

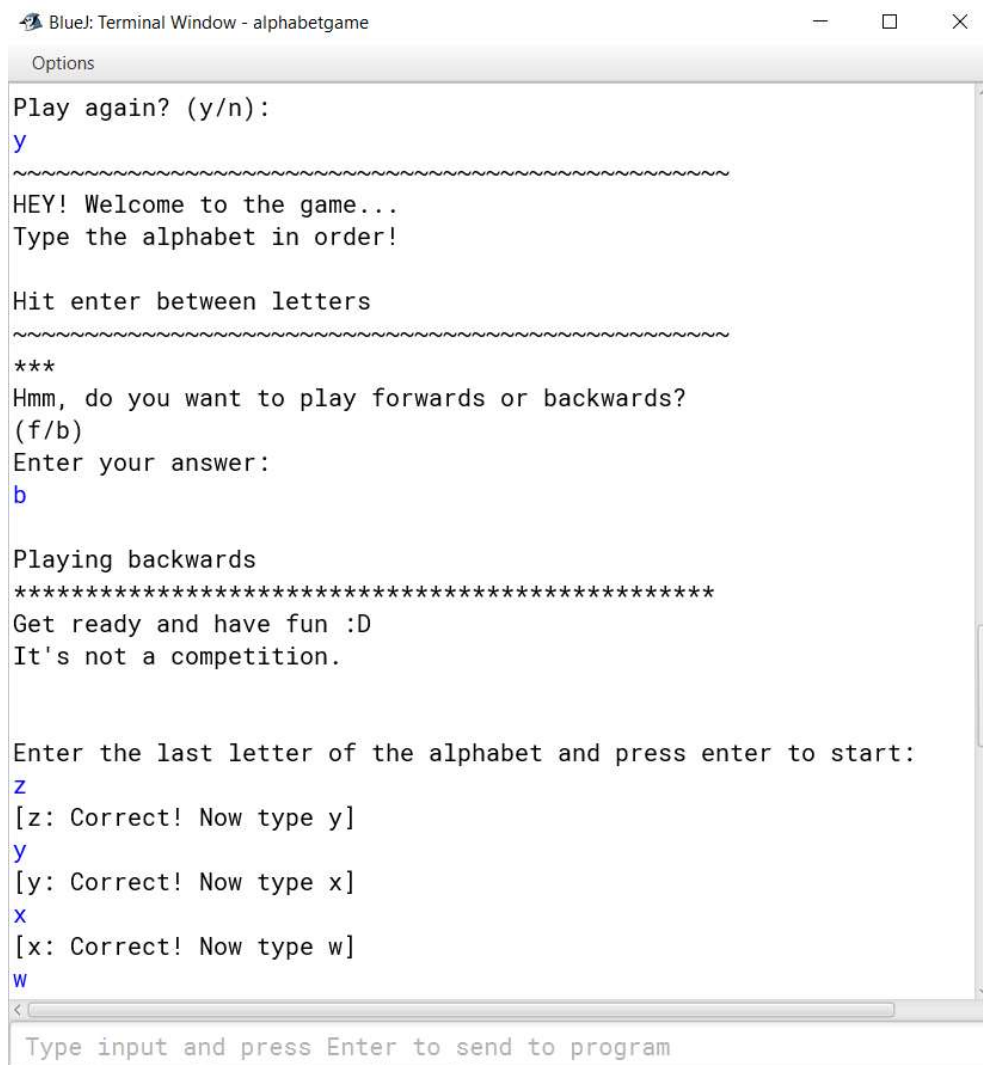
Time taken: 168.551seconds

Congratulations!!! :)

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Everything works with the backwards gamemode too.

### Backwards normal operation



```
BlueJ: Terminal Window - alphabetgame
Options
Play again? (y/n):
y
~~~~~
HEY! Welcome to the game...
Type the alphabet in order!

Hit enter between letters
~~~~~
***
Hmm, do you want to play forwards or backwards?
(f/b)
Enter your answer:
b

Playing backwards
*****
Get ready and have fun :D
It's not a competition.

Enter the last letter of the alphabet and press enter to start:
z
[z: Correct! Now type y]
y
[y: Correct! Now type x]
x
[x: Correct! Now type w]
w
Type input and press Enter to send to program
```

```
c
[c: Correct! Now type b]
b
[b: Correct! Now type a]
a
[Correct! Well done!]
```

Time taken: 22.806seconds

Congratulations!!! :)

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Play again? (y/n):

Type input and press Enter to send to program