



Aim: To apply basic programming for accepting input through keyboard.

Objective: To use the facility of java to read data from the keyboard for any program

Theory: Java brings various Streams with its I/O package that helps the user perform all the Java input-output operations. These streams support all types of objects, data types, characters, files, etc. to fully execute the I/O operations. Input in Java can be with certain methods mentioned below in the article.

Methods to Take Input in Java

There are two ways by which we can take Java input from the user or from a file

1. `BufferedReader` Class
2. `Scanner` Class

Using `BufferedReader` Class for String Input In Java

It is a simple class that is used to read a sequence of characters. It has a simple function that reads a character another read which reads, an array of characters, and a `readLine()` function which reads a line.

`InputStreamReader()` is a function that converts the input stream of bytes into a stream of characters so that it can be read as `BufferedReader` expects a stream of characters. `BufferedReader` can throw checked Exceptions.

Using `Scanner` Class for Taking Input in Java

It is an advanced version of `BufferedReader` which was added in later versions of Java. The scanner can read formatted input. It has different functions for different types of data types.

The scanner is much easier to read as we don't have to write throws as there is no exception thrown by it.

It was added in later versions of Java

It contains predefined functions to read an Integer, Character, and other data types as well.

Syntax of `Scanner` class

```
Scanner scn = new Scanner(System.in);
```

Code:

```
1} Scanner class
```

```
import java.util.Scanner;
```

```
class UserProgram
```

```
{
```

```
    public static void main(String args[])
```

```
    {
```



```
Scanner a = new Scanner(System.in);

System.out.println("Enter Name , Age and Salary:");

String str = a.nextLine();

int age = a.nextInt();

Double salary = a.nextDouble();

System.out.println("Name:" + str);

System.out.println("Age:" + age);

System.out.println("Salary:" + salary);

}

}
```

```
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C:\Users\HP>cd C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi
C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi>javac UserProgram.java
C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi>java UserProgram.java
Enter Name , Age and Salary:
Charmi
18
80000.0
Name: Charmi
Age: 18
Salary: 80000.0
C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi>
```

2} Buffer reader class

```
package com.javatpoint;

import java.io.*;

public class BufferedReaderExample{

    public static void main(String args[])throws Exception{

        InputStreamReader r=new InputStreamReader(System.in);

        BufferedReader br=new BufferedReader(r);

        System.out.println("Enter your name");

        String name=br.readLine();
```



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```
System.out.println("Welcome "+name);
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

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C:\Users\HP>cd C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi
C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi>javac BufferedReaderExample.java
C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi>java BufferedReaderExample.java
Enter your name
Charmi
Welcome Charmi
C:\Users\HP\OneDrive\Desktop\Charmi>
```

Conclusion:

In Java, both the `BufferedReader` and `Scanner` classes are commonly used for accepting user input from the command line or other input sources. Each of these classes has its own advantages and use cases, and I'll provide some insights into how they can be used for this purpose.

BufferedReader: `BufferedReader` is part of the `java.io` package and is primarily used for reading text from character input streams. It's efficient for reading large amounts of text efficiently.

Scanner: The `Scanner` class is part of the `java.util` package and is a more high-level and user-friendly way to parse and tokenize input. It can be used for both reading from files and user input.