

<b>Challenge:</b>	<b>#5</b>
<b>Marks:</b>	5% of module marks
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Explore Arrays</b>
<b>Objectives:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explore arrays.</li> <li>• Explore array parameter passing to methods and return from methods.</li> <li>• Use <b>javadoc</b> to document each method.</li> </ul>
<b>Support:</b>	<p>Support will be available at the Week 10 and 11 laboratories.</p> <p>You should first complete the course work in the Coursework 5 worksheet before completing the challenge below.</p>
<b>Submission:</b>	<p>Submit to Sulis Assignments by Fri Week 12, 18 Dec, 23:00 (no late extension)</p> <p>Submit only the <b>ExploreExp.java</b> to Sulis.</p> <p><b>Ensure that an appropriate file header comment is included in the java source file with: a short class description, name(s), id number(s), last date of modification.</b></p> <p>Include also in the file header comment an example of the program output when executed, the answers to the questions in part k.</p>
<b>Notes:</b>	<p><i>All module handouts and laboratory/challenge work should be maintained in an accessible file storage device.</i></p> <p><i>The work completed should be available in a folder named <b>Challenge5</b>.</i></p> <p><b><u>Reminder: Maintain regular backups of all your work.</u></b></p>

### 1. Exercise: arrays and methods (complete one solution per group)

Euler's number, **e** = 2.718 281 828 459 045 235 360... is an important constant and it is the base of the natural logarithm **ln x** or **log<sub>e</sub> x**.

**e<sup>x</sup>** or **exp(x)**, the exponential function, can be calculated from the Taylor series (aka Maclaurin):

$$e^x \text{ or } \exp(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

**e<sup>x</sup>** can be approximated using the finite series:  $\sum_{n=0}^{nMax} \frac{x^n}{n!}$  resulting in **nMax + 1** terms.

The problem below requires you to be familiar with arrays, methods, repetition statements, and Javadoc comments.

- Create a new class **ExploreExp**.
- Create a **main** method and print the value of **Math.E** and then print the value of **e<sup>1</sup>** by calling the method **Math.exp( 1.0 )**. Print both to 18 decimal places e.g.:

```
System.out.printf( "Math.E is %20.18f\n", Math.E );
```

```
System.out.printf( "Math.exp(1.0) is %20.18f\n", Math.exp( 1.0 ) );
```

- c) Calculate and display the partial sums for  $e^1$ : i.e.  $e^x$  with  $x=1$ , for  $nMax = 0$  to  $20$ :

using the finite series to approximate  $e^x$  :  $\sum_{n=0}^{nMax} \frac{x^n}{n!}$ .

Complete in the **main** method, use a **for** statement and display the calculated **exp** value with a **precision** of 18 decimal places: use **%20.18f** in the format string of a **System.out.printf** method.

You can use your **factorial()** method and **power()** methods from your **MyMath** class to calculate **n!** and **x<sup>n</sup>** by copying both methods into the **ExploreExp** class (or you can calculate the terms otherwise e.g. incrementally to improve the efficiency). If using your **factorial()** method, modify to calculate and return using **double** which is precise to **22!** and will calculate to **170!**

Table of partial sum estimates for $e^1$ where $nMax = 0$ to $20$	
nMax	Taylor's series exp(1)
0	1.000000000000000000
1	2.000000000000000000
2	2.500000000000000000
3	2.666666666666666500
4	2.708333333333333000
	...
20	2.718281828459045500

- d) Based on the code in c) above (do not remove the existing code), create a separate **calcExp** method,
- ```
public static double calcExp(double x, int nMax)
```
- calcExp** accepts the exponent **x** to raise **e** to, and **nMax** the maximum value for **n**, as parameters and **returns** the estimate of **e<sup>x</sup>**. The **calcExp** method must not call or print out anything. Include a **javadoc** comment.
- e) Implement a single fully documented test case (*Name, Purpose, Input Parameter, Expected Return*) in the **main** method to test the **calcExp** method, and print whether the test passed or failed.
- f) In the **main** method, use another **for** statement to calculate the first 21 partial sum estimates for **e<sup>1</sup>** using **calcExp** and store in an array **expEstimates**. Create the array as follows:
- ```
double[] expEstimates = new double[21];
```
- g) Print a table of estimates from the array. Use, or otherwise, the **printTable** method from the course work class **MyExploreArrays** (in part j), call **printTable("exp(1) estimates", expEstimates)**;
- h) Based on the code in f) above, create a method with a **javadoc** comment that generates and returns an array of the **exp** estimates:
- ```
public static double[] genExpEstimates (double x, int nEstimates)
```
- genExpEstimates** has two parameters: the exponent **x** and **nEstimates** the number of partial sum estimates, and **returns** the values calculated in an array.
- The **genExpEstimates** method must not print out anything.
- i) Print a table for **e<sup>2</sup>** using **printTable("exp(2) estimates", genExpEstimates(2.0, 11) );**
- j) **Optional:** Print a table showing the error difference between using **Math.exp(x)** and **calcExp(x, 10)** for **x** between **0** and **100** in steps of **5**.  
You decide how best to present the error.
- k) **Include in the file header comment** an example of the program output and the answers to the following Q's:
- How many digits versus precise **e** are **Math.E**, **Math.exp(1.0)**, and **calcExp(1, 20)** accurate to?
  - Which value of **nMax** in the **part c)** table first best matches the value of **Math.exp(1.0)**?
  - What is the absolute error (difference) between **Math.exp(2.0)** and **calcExp(2.0, 10)**?