# Computer Project

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 $"Writing\ code\ a\ computer\ can\ understand\ is\ science.\ Writing\ code$ other programmers can understand is an art." — Jason Gorman

## — Ken Thompson

**Problem 1** An *n* digit integer  $(a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)$ , where each digit  $a_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$ , is said to have *unique digits* if no digits are repeated, i.e., there is no i, j such that  $a_i = a_j$   $(i \neq j)$ .

Verify whether an inputted number has unique digits.

### Solution

```
public class Unique {
          public static void main (String[] args) {
2
                 try {
                        long number = Long.parseLong(args[0]);
                        if (isUnique(number)) {
                               System.out.println("Unique Number!");
                        } else {
                               System.out.println("Not a Unique Number!");
                 } catch (NumberFormatException e) {
                        System.out.println("Enter an integer as the first argument!");
                 } catch (IndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
                        System.out.println("Enter 1 argument (integer)!");
                 }
14
          }
          public static boolean isUnique (long number) {
                 int[] count = new int[10];
                 for (long n = Math.abs(number); n > 0; n \neq 10) {
19
                        int digit = (int) n % 10;
                        count[digit]++;
21
                        if (count[digit] > 1){
                               return false;
                        }
                 }
                 return true;
          }
27
   }
```

"Elegance is not a dispensable luxury but a factor that decides between success and failure."

## — Edsger W. Dijkstra

**Problem 2** A partition of a positive integer n is defined as a collection of other positive integers such that their sum is equal to n. Thus, if  $(a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_k)$  is a partition of n,

$$n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k \qquad (a_i \in \mathbb{Z}^+)$$

Display every unique partition of an inputted number.

#### Solution

```
public class Partition {
          public static void main (String[] args) {
                 try {
                         int target = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
                        if (target < 1) {</pre>
                                throw new NumberFormatException();
                         }
                        partition(target);
                 } catch (NumberFormatException e) {
                         System.out.println("Enter a natural number as the first
11
                             argument!");
                 } catch (IndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
                         System.out.println("Enter 1 argument (natural number)!");
                 }
14
          public static void partition (int target) {
                 partition(target, target, "");
          }
18
          public static void partition (int target, int previousTerm, String suffix) {
19
                 if (target == 0)
                         System.out.println(suffix);
21
                 for (int i = 1; i <= target && i <= previousTerm; i++)</pre>
                         partition(target - i, i, suffix + " " + i);
23
          }
24
25
```

#### — Leonardo da Vinci

**Problem 3** A Caesar cipher is a type of monoalphabetic substitution cipher in which each letter in the plaintext is replaced by a letter some fixed number of positions down the alphabet. The positions are circular, i.e., after reaching Z, the position wraps around to A. For example, following is some encrypted text, using a right shift of 5.

Plain: ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ Cipher: FGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZABCDE

Thus, after mapping the alphabet according to the scheme  $A \mapsto 0, B \mapsto 1, \dots, Z \mapsto$  23, we can define an encryption function  $E_n$ , in which a letter x is shifted rightwards by n as follows.

$$E_n(x) = (x+n) \mod 26$$

The corresponding decryption function  $D_n$  is simply

$$D_n(x) = (x - n) \mod 26$$

Implement a simple version of a *Caesar cipher*, encrypting capitalized plaintext by shifting it by a given value. Interpret positive shifts as rightwards, negative as leftwards.

## Solution

```
public class CaesarShift {
          public static void main (String[] args) {
                  try {
                         int shift = Integer.parseInt(args[0]) % 26;
                         String plaintext = args[1].toUpperCase();
                         String ciphertext = "";
                         for (int i = 0; i < plaintext.length(); i++) {</pre>
                                char plain = plaintext.charAt(i);
                                char crypt = ' ';
                                if ('A' <= plain && plain <= 'Z') {</pre>
                                       crypt = numToChar(charToNum(plain) + shift);
                                } else {
                                       crypt = plain;
13
14
                                ciphertext += crypt;
```

```
16
                        System.out.println(ciphertext);
17
                 } catch (NumberFormatException e) {
18
                        System.out.println("Enter an integer as the first argument!");
19
                 } catch (IndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
                        System.out.println("Enter 2 arguments (shift, plaintext)!");
21
                 }
          }
          public static int charToNum (char letter) {
25
                 return Character.toUpperCase(letter) - 'A';
          }
27
          public static char numToChar (int number) {
                 return (char) ('A' + Math.floorMod(number, 26));
          }
31
   }
```

"There are 2 hard problems in computer science: cache invalidation, naming things, and off-by-1 errors."

#### — Leon Bambrick

**Problem 4** A *palindrome* is a sequence of characters which reads the same backwards as well as forwards. For example, madam, racecar and kayak are words which are palindromes. Similarly, the sentence "A man, a plan, a canal -- Panama!" is also a plaindrome.

Analyze a sentence of input and display all *words* which are palindromes. If the entire *sentence* is also a palindrome, display it as well.

(A word is an unbroken sequence of characters, separated from other words by whitespace. Ignore single letter words such as I and a. Ignore punctuation, numeric digits, whitespace and case while analyzing the entire sentence.)

#### Solution

```
import java.util.Scanner;
2
   public class Palindrome {
          public static void main (String[] args) {
                 System.out.print("Enter your sentence : ");
                 String sentence = (new Scanner(System.in)).nextLine().trim();
                 boolean foundPalindrome = false;
                 System.out.println("Palindromes : ");
                 foundPalindrome |= checkWords(sentence);
                 foundPalindrome |= checkSentence(sentence);
                 if (!foundPalindrome) {
                        System.out.println("(No palindromes found!)");
                 }
          }
          public static boolean checkWords (String sentence) {
                 boolean foundPalindrome = true;
17
                 int start = -1;
18
                 int end = 0;
19
                 while (end < sentence.length()) {</pre>
                        while (Character.isWhitespace(sentence.charAt(++start)));
                        end = start;
```

```
while (end < sentence.length() &&
23
                             !Character.isWhitespace(sentence.charAt(end++)));
                         String word = sentence.substring(start, end).trim();
24
                         if (isPalindrome(word)) {
                                foundPalindrome = true;
                                System.out.println(getAlphabets(word));
                         start = end - 1;
                  }
                 return foundPalindrome;
31
          }
          public static boolean checkSentence (String sentence) {
                  if (isPalindrome(sentence)) {
35
                         System.out.println(sentence);
36
                         return true;
                  }
                 return false;
39
          }
40
          public static boolean isPalindrome (String text) {
42
43
                 String rawText = getAlphabets(text).toUpperCase();
                  for (int i = 0, j = rawText.length() - 1; i < j; i++, j--) {
44
                         if (rawText.charAt(i) != rawText.charAt(j)) {
                                return false;
46
47
                 }
48
                 return (rawText.length() > 1);
50
          public static String getAlphabets (String text) {
                 String rawText = "";
53
                 for (int i = 0; i < text.length(); i++) {</pre>
54
                         if (Character.isAlphabetic(text.charAt(i))) {
55
                                rawText += text.charAt(i);
                  }
58
                 return rawText;
59
          }
60
   }
61
```

— Ted Nelson

**Problem 5** Design a simple interface for an examiner which can format and display marks scored by a group of students in a particular examination. Calculate the percentage scored by each candidate and display the list of students and percentages in an ASCII bar chart, arranged alphabetically.

#### Solution

```
public class Marksheet {
          public static final int SCREEN_WIDTH = 100;
          private final double maxMarks;
          private final int numberOfStudents;
          private int lastStudent;
          private String[] names;
          private double[] marks;
          public Marksheet (double maxMarks, int numberOfStudents) {
                 this.maxMarks = maxMarks;
                 this.numberOfStudents = numberOfStudents;
11
                 this.names = new String[numberOfStudents];
                 this.marks = new double[numberOfStudents];
                 this.lastStudent = -1;
          }
          public boolean addMarks (String name, double score) {
                 try {
                        names[++lastStudent] = name;
19
                        marks[lastStudent] = score;
20
                        return true;
                 } catch (IndexOutOfBoundsException e) {
                        return false;
                 }
          }
26
          public void displayChart () {
                 System.out.println(Marksheet.multiplyString("-",
                     Marksheet.SCREEN_WIDTH));
                 for (int i = 0; i <= lastStudent; i++) {</pre>
29
                        double fraction = marks[i] / maxMarks;
30
```

```
String name = (names[i].length() < 16)</pre>
                                        ? names[i]
                                        : (names[i].substring(0,13) + "...");
33
                         int points = (int) (fraction * (SCREEN_WIDTH - 34));
34
                         String bar = multiplyString("*", points)
                                 + multiplyString(" ", SCREEN_WIDTH - 34 - points);
36
                         System.out.printf("| %16s | %s | %6.2f %% |%n"
                                                       , name
                                                        bar
                                                       , fraction * 100);
40
                  }
41
                  System.out.println(Marksheet.multiplyString("-",
42
                      Marksheet.SCREEN_WIDTH));
          }
43
44
          public void displayMaxScorers () {
                  String maxScorers = "";
46
                  double maxScore = getMaxScore();
47
                  for (int i = 0; i <= lastStudent; i++) {</pre>
48
                         if (marks[i] == maxScore) {
                                 maxScorers += ", " + names[i];
                  }
                  System.out.println(maxScorers.substring(1)
                                        + " scored the highest ("
54
                                        + maxScore + "/"
                                        + maxMarks + ")");
56
          }
58
          public void sortByName () {
59
                  for (int right = lastStudent; right > 0; right--)
                         for (int i = 1; i <= right; i++)</pre>
61
                                 if (names[i-1].compareToIgnoreCase(names[i]) > 0)
62
                                        swapRecords(i, i - 1);
63
          }
66
          public double getMaxScore () {
                  double max = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
                  for (int i = 0; i <= lastStudent; i++) {</pre>
                         max = Math.max(max, marks[i]);
                  }
71
                  return max;
          }
73
          private void swapRecords (int x, int y) {
```

```
String tempName = names[x];
76
                 double tempMark = marks[x];
77
                 names[x] = names[y];
78
                 marks[x] = marks[y];
                 names[y] = tempName;
                 marks[y] = tempMark;
81
          }
          public static String multiplyString (String s, int n) {
                 String out = "";
85
                 while (n --> 0)
                         out += s;
87
                 return out;
          }
89
   }
   import java.util.Scanner;
   import java.util.InputMismatchException;
   public class ScoreRecorder {
          public static void main (String[] args) {
                 Scanner inp = new Scanner(System.in);
                 double maxMarks = 0.0;
                 int numberOfStudents = 0;
                 try {
                         System.out.print("Enter the maximum marks alotted for each
10
                             student : ");
                         maxMarks = inp.nextDouble();
                         System.out.print("Enter the total number of students : ");
                         numberOfStudents = inp.nextInt();
                         if (maxMarks <= 0) {</pre>
14
                                System.out.println("Maximum marks must be positive!");
                                System.exit(0);
16
                         }
17
                         if (numberOfStudents <= 0) {</pre>
                                System.out.println("Number of students must be
19
                                    positive!");
                                System.exit(0);
21
22
                         Marksheet sheet = new Marksheet(maxMarks, numberOfStudents);
                         System.out.println("Enter " + numberOfStudents + " students'
23
                             names and marks : ");
                         for (int i = 0; i < numberOfStudents; i++) {</pre>
                                String name = "";
25
                                while (!inp.hasNextDouble()) {
26
```

```
name += inp.next() + " ";
27
                                }
28
                                double marks = inp.nextDouble();
29
                                if (marks <= 0 || marks > maxMarks) {
30
                                       System.out.println("Marks must be within 0.0 and
                                           " + maxMarks + "!");
                                       System.exit(0);
32
                                }
33
                                sheet.addMarks(name.trim(), marks);
35
                         sheet.sortByName();
                        sheet.displayChart();
                         sheet.displayMaxScorers();
                 } catch (InputMismatchException e) {
39
                        System.out.println("Invalid Input!");
40
                        System.exit(0);
41
                 }
42
          }
43
44 }
```

"My project is 90% done. I hope the second half goes as well."

— Scott W. Ambler

**Problem 6** A *Knight's Tour* is a sequence of moves of a knight on a chessboard such that the *knight* visits every square only once. If the knight ends on a square that is one knight's move from the beginning square, the tour is *closed* forming a closed loop, otherwise it is *open*.

There are many ways of constructing such paths on an empty board. On an  $8 \times 8$  board, there are no less than 26,534,728,821,064 directed closed tours. Below is one of them.

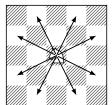


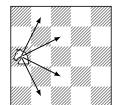
Construct a *Knight's Tour* (open or closed) on an  $n \times n$  board, starting from a given square.

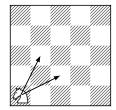
(Mark each square with the move number on which the knight landed on it. Mark the starting square 1.)

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ Two tours along the same path that travel in opposite directions are counted separately, as are rotations and reflections.

**Solution** A knight on a chessboard can move to a square that is two squares away horizontally and one square vertically, or two squares vertically and one square horizontally.







```
public class TourSolver {
          private final int size;
          private Position[] path;
          private int numberOfMoves;
          private int[][] board;
          private int[][] degreesOfFreedom;
          private Position initPosition;
          private static final int[][] KNIGHT_MOVES = {
                  \{-1, -2\}, \{-1, 2\}, \{1, -2\}, \{1, 2\},
10
                  \{-2, -1\}, \{-2, 1\}, \{2, -1\}, \{2, 1\}
          };
13
          public TourSolver (int size, Position initPosition) {
14
                  this.size = size;
                  this.initPosition = initPosition;
16
                  this.path = new Position[size * size];
17
                  this.numberOfMoves = 0;
18
                  this.initBoard();
                  this.initDegreesOfFreedom();
20
          }
21
          private void initBoard () {
                  board = new int[size][size];
24
                  for (int i = 0; i < size; i++)</pre>
25
                         for (int j = 0; j < size; j++)
26
                                board[i][j] = 0;
27
          }
28
          private void initDegreesOfFreedom () {
                  degreesOfFreedom = new int[size][size];
31
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < size; i++)</pre>
                         for (int j = 0; j < size; j++)
33
                                degreesOfFreedom[i][j] = getPossibleMovesCount(new
34
                                    Position(i, j));
          }
35
36
          public boolean addMove (Position p) {
                  if (numberOfMoves < (size * size)) {</pre>
                         path[numberOfMoves++] = p;
                         board[p.getX()][p.getY()] = numberOfMoves;
40
                         return true;
                  }
42
                  return false;
          }
44
45
          public boolean removeMove () {
                  if (numberOfMoves > 0) {
47
                         Position p = path[numberOfMoves - 1];
48
                         board[p.getX()][p.getY()] = 0;
49
                         path[--numberOfMoves] = null;
                         return true;
                  }
                  return false;
53
          }
          public int[][] getBoard () {
                  return board;
59
          public Position[] getSolution () {
                  if (size < 5)
                         return null;
                  addMove(initPosition);
63
                  if(solve(initPosition))
64
                         return path;
                  return null;
          }
67
          public boolean solve (Position p) {
                  if (numberOfMoves == (size * size))
                         return true;
                  Position[] possibleMoves = getPossibleMoves(p);
                  if (possibleMoves[0] == null)
                         return false;
74
                  sortMoves(possibleMoves);
                  for (Position move : possibleMoves) {
76
```

```
if (move != null) {
                                 addMove(move);
78
                                 if (solve(move))
79
                                        return true;
80
                                 removeMove();
82
                   }
                  return false;
84
           }
86
           public void sortMoves (Position[] moves) {
                   int count = 0;
88
                   for (Position p : moves)
89
                          if (p != null)
90
                                 count++;
91
                  for (int right = count; right > 0; right--)
                          for (int i = 1; i < right; i++)</pre>
93
                                 if (compareMoves(moves[i-1], moves[i]) > 0)
94
                                        swapMoves(i-1, i, moves);
95
           }
97
           public int compareMoves (Position a, Position b) {
98
                   int aCount = getPossibleMovesCount(a);
99
                   int bCount = getPossibleMovesCount(b);
                   if (aCount != bCount)
                          return aCount - bCount;
                  int aFree = degreesOfFreedom[a.getX()][a.getY()];
103
                   int bFree = degreesOfFreedom[b.getX()][b.getY()];
                   if (aFree != bFree)
                          return aFree - bFree;
106
                  return (Math.random() < 0.4)? 1 : -1;
107
           }
108
109
           private static void swapMoves (int x, int y, Position[] moves) {
110
                  Position t = moves[x];
111
                  moves[x] = moves[y];
                  moves[y] = t;
113
           }
114
           public Position[] getPossibleMoves (Position start) {
116
                  Position[] possibleMoves = new Position[KNIGHT_MOVES.length];
117
                   int i = 0;
118
                   for (int[] move : KNIGHT_MOVES) {
                          int x = start.getX() + move[0];
120
                          int y = start.getY() + move[1];
121
                          if (isWithinBoard(x, y) && board[x][y] == 0) {
```

```
possibleMoves[i++] = new Position(x, y);
                          }
124
                   }
125
                  return possibleMoves;
126
           }
128
           public int getPossibleMovesCount (Position start) {
129
                   int i = 0;
130
                  for (Position p : getPossibleMoves(start))
                          if (p != null)
132
133
                                 i++;
                  return i;
134
           }
136
           public boolean isWithinBoard (int x, int y) {
137
                  return (x >= 0 && x < size && y >= 0 && y < size);
138
139
140 }
    public class Position {
           private final int x;
           private final int y;
           public Position (int x, int y) {
                  this.x = x;
                  this.y = y;
           }
           public Position (String s) {
                   int x = 0;
11
                  int i = 0;
                   while (i < s.length() && Character.isAlphabetic(s.charAt(i))) {</pre>
                          x = (x * 26) + Character.toLowerCase(s.charAt(i)) - 'a' + 1;
14
15
                   }
16
                   int y = Integer.parseInt(s.substring(i));
17
                  this.x = x - 1;
18
                  this.y = y - 1;
19
           }
20
21
           public int getX () {
22
                  return x;
23
24
25
           public int getY () {
```

```
return y;
27
          }
28
29
          public boolean equals (Position p) {
30
                 return (p != null)
                         && (this.getX() == p.getX()) && (this.getY() == p.getY());
32
          }
34
          @Override
          public String toString () {
36
                 return xToString(this.x) + (this.y + 1);
          }
38
          public static String xToString (int n) {
40
                 int x = n + 1;
41
                 String letters = "";
42
43
                 while (x > 0) {
                         letters = (char) ('a' + (--x % 26)) + letters;
44
                         x /= 26;
45
                 }
46
                 return letters;
47
48
          }
   }
49
   public class KnightTour {
          public static void main (String[] args) {
2
                 try {
                         int boardSize = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
                         if (boardSize <= 0)</pre>
                                throw new NumberFormatException();
                         String initSquare = (args.length > 1)? args[1] : "a1";
                         TourSolver t = new TourSolver(boardSize, new
                             Position(initSquare));
                         Position[] solution = t.getSolution();
                         if (solution != null) {
                                showBoard(t.getBoard());
                                showMoves(solution);
12
                                if (isClosed(solution))
13
                                       System.out.println("\nThe tour is Closed!");
14
                         } else {
                                System.out.println("No Knight's Tours found!");
17
                 } catch (Exception e) {
                         System.out.print("Enter an integer (> 1) as the first
19
                             argument, ");
```

```
System.out.println("and a well formed chessboard coordinate as
20
                            the second! [size, startSquare]\n");
                        System.out.println("(size
                                                        -> Solve a Tour on a (size x
                            size) board)");
                        System.out.println("(startSquare -> A square in algebraic
                            chess notation of the form 'fr',");
                        System.out.println("
                                                          where f = the letter
                            representing the file(column)");
                        System.out.println("
                                                          and r = the number
                            representing the rank(row).)");
25
                        System.out.println("(startSquare is set to 'a1' by default)");
                 }
26
          }
          public static void showBoard (int[][] board) {
                 String hLine = " " + multiplyString("+----", board.length) + "+";
                 System.out.println(hLine);
                 for (int column = board.length - 1; column >= 0; column--) {
                        System.out.printf(" %2d ", column + 1);
                        for (int row = 0; row < board.length; row++) {</pre>
                                System.out.printf("| %3d ", board[row][column]);
                        System.out.printf("|%n%s%n", hLine);
37
                 }
                 System.out.print(" ");
                 for (int i = 0; i < board.length; i++) {</pre>
40
                        System.out.printf(" %2s ", Position.xToString(i));
41
                 }
                 System.out.println();
43
          }
          public static void showMoves (Position[] moves) {
46
                 System.out.print("\nMoves : ");
47
                 String movesOut = "";
48
                 for (int i = 1; i < moves.length; i++) {</pre>
49
                        movesOut += (moves[i-1] + "-" + moves[i] + ", ");
                 }
                 System.out.println(movesOut.substring(0, movesOut.length() - 2));
          }
54
          public static String multiplyString (String s, int n) {
                 String result = "";
                 while (n --> 0)
                        result += s;
58
                 return result;
          }
```

```
61
62     public static boolean isClosed (Position[] path) {
63         int 1 = path.length - 1;
64         int dX = Math.abs(path[0].getX() - path[1].getX());
65         int dY = Math.abs(path[0].getY() - path[1].getY());
66         return (dX == 1 && dY == 2) || (dX == 2 && dY == 1);
67     }
68 }
```

"To iterate is human, to recurse divine"

— L. Peter Deutsch

**Problem 7** The determinant of a square matrix  $A_{n,n}$  is defined recursively as follows.

$$det(A_{n,n}) = \begin{vmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & a_{n,2} & \cdots & a_{n,n} \end{vmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} (-1)^{i+j} a_{i,j} \cdot det(M_{i,j})$$

where  $M_{i,j}$  is defined as the minor of  $A_{n,n}$ , an  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$  matrix formed by removing the *i*th row and *j*th column from  $A_{n,n}$ .

The determinant of a  $(2 \times 2)$  matrix is simply given by

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$$

For example, the determinant of a  $(3\times3)$  matrix is given by the following expression.

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = a \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= aei + bfg + cdh - ceg - bdi - afh$$

Calculate the determinant of an inputted  $(n \times n)$  square matrix.

## Solution