Assessment Instructions

Instructions: Write a program to calculate the value of *pi* by simulating throwing darts at a dart board.

1. You should already have a new project called Challenge Program in the Unit07 Assessments folder.



- 2. If you have not created a class called Darts in the project folder, please do so now.
- 3. Read the Virtual Lecture Notes (Part 2) to learn how to simulate the value of *pi* with darts.
- 4. You may want to review or re-use code from the PointsOnACircle class in this assessment.
- 5. Use top-down design and procedural abstraction in this program. In other words, put functional units into methods.
- 6. Prompt the user for how many times darts should be thrown in a trial. (If you enter a very large number, you may have to investigate the use of the **long** primitive data type.) The example below indicates darts were thrown 1500 times in each trial.
- 7. Prompt the user for the number of trials. The example below indicates there were 10 trials.
- 8. Estimate *pi* for each trial.
- 9. The imaginary circle representing your dartboard should have a radius measuring 1 unit.
- 10. Choose random values of x and y. You know two different ways to do that.
- 11. Count any (x, y) coordinate that satisfies $x^2 + y^2 \le 1$ as a hit within the circle as a hit, any coordinates outside the circle as a miss.
- 12. Review the Virtual Lecture Notes for details about how to calculate *pi*.
- 13. Calculate the average of the estimates for all trials and print the results.
- 14. Evaluate how many darts/trial it takes for the estimate of pi to begin to approach 3.141592 both for individual trials and the average.

Expected Output: When your program runs correctly, the output should resemble the following screen shot.

How many darts/trial? 1500

Trial [0]: pi = 3.136000
Trial [1]: pi = 3.258667
Trial [2]: pi = 3.114667
Trial [3]: pi = 3.208000
Trial [4]: pi = 3.162667
Trial [5]: pi = 3.165333
Trial [6]: pi = 3.058667
Trial [7]: pi = 3.090667
Trial [8]: pi = 3.152000
Trial [9]: pi = 3.160000
Estimate of pi = 3.150667

Assessment: Your assessment will be graded according to the following rubric.

Grading Rubric	Pts
Comments include name, date, and purpose of program.	1
User prompted for the number of darts/trial.	3
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Array correctly initialized.	2
Random numbers correctly generated.	3
Program written in top-down format.	5
Separate methods used for functional units.	5
Arithmetic statements written correctly.	3
Iteration used appropriately.	2
Decision statement(s) correctly select hits and misses.	3
Output formatted to display with printf()	1
No compiler errors.	1
No runtime errors.	1
Output is correct and user-friendly.	1
Thoughtful PMR included.	1

Submission: Submit Darts.java for a grade.