CSULB CECS277 Postal Bar Code

For faster sorting of letters, the United States Postal Service encourages companies that send large volumes of mail to use a bar code denoting the zip code (see Figure 1).

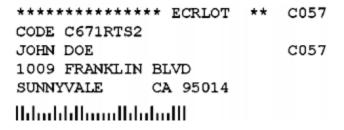


Figure 1. A postal Bar Code

The encoding scheme for a five-digit zip code is shown in figure 2. The five encoded digits are followed by a correction digit, which is computed as follows: Add up all the digits, and choose the correction digit to make the sum a multiple of 10. For example, the ZIP code 95014 has a sum of digits 19, so the correction digit is 1 to make the sum equal to 20

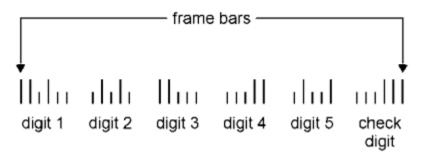


Figure 2. Encoding for Five-Digit Bar Codes

Each digit of the ZIP code, and the correction digit, is encoded according to the following table:

Digit	Bar1	Bar2	Bar3	Bar4	Bar5
	(Weight 7)	(Weight 4)	(Weight 2)	(Weight 1)	(Weight 0)
1	0	0	0	1	1
2	0	0	1	0	1
3	0	0	1	1	0
4	0	1	0	0	1
5	0	1	0	1	0
6	0	1	1	0	0
7	1	0	0	0	1
8	1	0	0	1	0
9	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0

The digit cab be easily computed from the bar code using the column weights 7, 4, 2, 1, 0. For example, 01100 is $0 \times 7 + 1 \times 4 + 1 \times 2 + 0 \times 1 + 0 \times 0 = 6$.

The only exception is 0, which would yield 11 according to the weight formula.

Write a program that asks the user for a zip code and prints the bar code. Use: for half bars, | for full bars.

For example, 95014 becomes

||:|:::|:|:|:::::||:|::|::|||

Provide these methods:

public static void printDigit(int d) //This method takes one integer digit only, and outputs its value in barcode public static void printBarCode(int zipCode) //This method takes the zipcode and prints the complete bar code You can add other methods as needed

Write the method that reads in a bar code (with : denoting half bars and | denoting full bars) and prints out the zip code it represents. Print an error message if the bar code is not correct.

Write the code with a <u>menu</u> asking the user to select between reading the **bar code**, reading the **zip code** "be careful, the zipcode can not start with a zero", or **exit the program**.

When the user selects one of the first two options the user should select between entering the bar/zip code (based on the selection from the previous menu) and using a **randomly generated one**.

The code should **repeat** until the **user selects to exit**. Your code should **validate the user's entry** for the menu.

Upload your documented code to BeachBoard with sample runs, and demonstrate in class. Print one page only –The other file

It is important to have method calls in main, besides some important code lines.