

LEC 06

CSE 121

Methods; Parameters; Scope Day 1

Questions during Class?

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BEFORE WE START

Talk to your neighbors:*What's your favorite study spot
on campus? Off campus?*Music: ♣ [CSE 121 25su Lecture Tunes](#) ♣**Instructor:** Hannah Swoffer

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- **Announcements, Reminders** ←
- Practice Problem
- Method, Parameter Review
- Code examples!



Announcements, Reminders

- P1: Election Simulator out today, due Tuesday July 22nd
- Quiz 0 is on Thursday, July 17th (in your registered quiz section)
 - can't make it? email Hannah ASAP
- Reminder: [Ed Shortcuts page](#)!



A bit more on Quiz 0

- Taken on paper, in your registered quiz section
 - [Quiz logistics in detail](#)
- Broadly: focused on concepts, reading, writing, and debugging code
- Main topics: printing, datatypes, expressions, variables, Strings, for loops
- You get to bring one sheet of notes (8.5x11in, or standard A4)
 - **We are also providing a [reference sheet](#) on the exam**
 - This can be found in the Ed post titled “FINAL REMINDER – Quiz 0 TOMORROW” and in a comment on the “Quiz 0 Logistics” post

Resources:

- [Practice quizzes](#)
- Quiz section problems!



A bit more on P1

1. this is a big jump from C1. **Start early!**
2. P1 does *not* require you to use methods (though you can!).
 - advice: feeling shaky on writing methods? don't do it for P1
3. advice: don't put off P1 to study for Quiz 0
 - easy way to fall behind in the class



Last Time: Random

A Random **object** generates *pseudo-random* numbers.

`nextInt(max)` returns a pseudo-random `int` value from `[0, max)`
i.e. between 0 and `max-1`

`Random` `rand` = `new Random();`
type name Random creation code

`rand.nextInt(6) + 1`



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- the Random **class** is found in the java.util **package**; to use, need `import java.util.*;`
- we can “seed” the generator to make it behave deterministically

Method	Description
<code>nextInt()</code>	Returns a random integer
<code>nextInt(<i>max</i>)</code>	Returns a random integer in the range <code>[0, <i>max</i>)</code> , or in other words, 0 to <i>max</i> -1 inclusive
<code>nextDouble()</code>	Returns a random double in the range <code>[0.0, 1.0)</code>



Last Time: Math

Calling:

Math.<method>(...)

Method	Description
<code>Math.abs(<i>value</i>)</code>	Returns the absolute value of <i>value</i>
<code>Math.ceil(<i>value</i>)</code>	Returns <i>value</i> rounded up
<code>Math.floor(<i>value</i>)</code>	Returns <i>value</i> rounded down
<code>Math.max(<i>value1</i>, <i>value2</i>)</code>	Returns the larger of the two values
<code>Math.min(<i>value1</i>, <i>value2</i>)</code>	Returns the smaller of the two values
<code>Math.round(<i>value</i>)</code>	Returns <i>value</i> rounded to the nearest whole number* note: need to cast result to int (it's complicated!)
<code>Math.sqrt(<i>value</i>)</code>	Returns the square root of <i>value</i>
<code>Math.pow(<i>base</i>, <i>exp</i>)</code>	Returns <i>base</i> raised to the <i>exp</i> power



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PCM: Methods

Writing our own **methods** allows us to define our own commands!

(naming conventions for methods are same as variables: camelCased)

```
public static void myMethod() {  
    /* * * *  
    Your code here  
    * * /  
}
```





Practice: Think



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```
public class HelloGoodbye {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        welcome();  
        hello();  
        goodbye();  
    }  
  
    public static void hello() {  
        System.out.print("Hello! ");  
        glad();  
    }  
  
    public static void goodbye() {  
        System.out.println("Goodbye!");  
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    }  
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Practice: Pair



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PCM: Parameters

Definition: a value passed to a method by its caller. “Like” a variable!

```
public static void myMethod(String musicalAct) {  
    System.out.print(musicalAct + " is the best!");  
    ...  
}
```

Calling a method with a parameter...

```
myMethod("Laufey"); // prints: Laufey is the best!
```



PCM: Scope

Our scope rules also apply to methods and parameters!

- General rule: from its **declaration to the next closing brace, }**
- a variable declared in a method only exists in that method!

```
public static void example(int n) {  
    System.out.println("hello");  
    int x = 3;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {  
        System.out.print(x);  
    }  
}
```

i's scope

x's scope

n's scope



New: Method Comments

Each method you write (except main) should have a short comment!

See the [CSE 121 Commenting Guide](#) for more details!

```
// Randomly generates an addition problem where the  
// operands are in the range 1-10 (inclusive),  
// and prints the result, rounded to two decimal places.
```

```
public static void addTwoRandomNumbers() {  
    Random randy = new Random();  
    int num1 = randy.nextInt(10) + 1;  
    int num2 = randy.nextInt(10) + 1;  
    int sum = num1 + num2;  
    ...  
}
```



New: Class Constants

A fixed value visible (in-scope) to the whole program (the entire *class*).

Value is set at declaration, **cannot** be reassigned – value is ***constant***.

```
public static final type NAME_OF_CONSTANT = expression;
```



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