

# CS1150

## Principles of Computer Science

### Math Functions, Characters and Strings

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# Mathematical Functions

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Java provides many useful methods in the **Math** class for performing common mathematical functions.

(we have used `Math.sqrt()`, `Math.pow()`, `Math.random()`)



# The Math Class

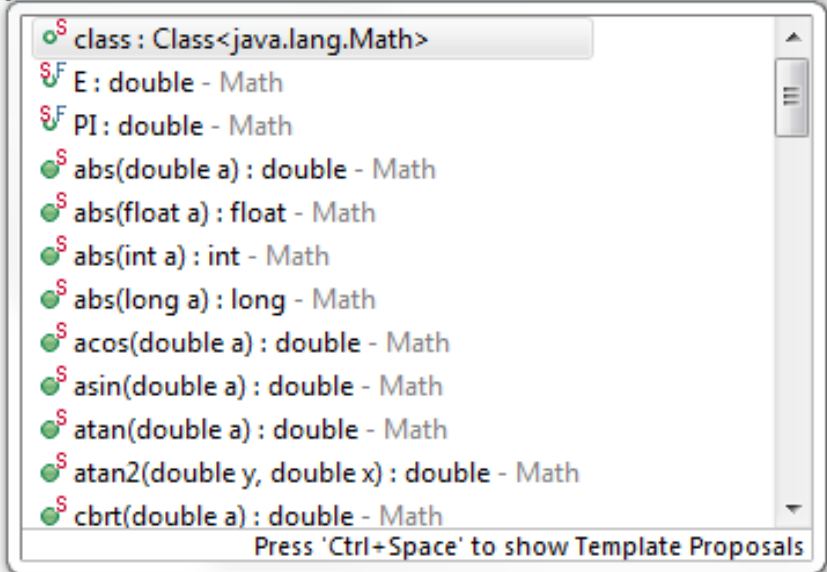
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- Math class is different from Scanner class
  - Don't need to create a Math instance
    - ▶ *No need* for `Math myMath = new Math();`
  - We call Math class methods without creating an instance
  - Use `Math.methodName()` directly
    - ▶ `double squareRoot = Math.sqrt(25);`

# The Math Class

- Type Math.
  - You can see constants and methods

```
1 import java.util.Scanner;
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3 public class Chapter4ScratchPad {
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5     public static void main(String[] args) {
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7         Math.|
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```



The screenshot shows a code completion popup for the text 'Math.' in a Java source file. The popup lists the following items:

- class : Class<java.lang.Math>
- E: double - Math
- PI: double - Math
- abs(double a) : double - Math
- abs(float a) : float - Math
- abs(int a) : int - Math
- abs(long a) : long - Math
- acos(double a) : double - Math
- asin(double a) : double - Math
- atan(double a) : double - Math
- atan2(double y, double x) : double - Math
- cbrt(double a) : double - Math

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# The Math Class

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- Class constants:
  - PI (3.14159...)
  - E (2.71828...base of natural log)
- Class methods:
  - Trigonometric Methods
  - Exponent Methods
  - Rounding Methods
  - min, max, abs, and random Methods

# min, max, and abs

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- `max(a, b)` and `min(a, b)`  
Returns the maximum or minimum of two parameters.
- `abs(a)`  
Returns the absolute value of the parameter.
- `random()`  
Returns a random `double` value in the range `[0.0, 1.0)`.

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## Examples:

```
Math.max(2, 3) returns 3
```

```
Math.max(2.5, 3) returns  
3.0
```

```
Math.min(2.5, 3.6)  
returns 2.5
```

```
Math.abs(-2) returns 2
```

```
Math.abs(-2.1) returns  
2.1
```

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# The random Method

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Generates a random double value greater than or equal to 0.0 and less than 1.0 ( $0 \leq \text{Math.random()} < 1.0$ ).

Examples:

`(int) (Math.random() * 10)` → Returns a random integer between 0 and 9.

`50 + (int) (Math.random() * 50)` → Returns a random integer between 50 and 99.

In general,

`a + Math.random() * b` → Returns a random number between a and a + b, excluding a + b.

# Previous example

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- `Math.random()`
  - How to generate a random integer between [lower, upper)?
    - ▶ Example: `int lower=100, upper=120;`
    - ▶ `randomDouble = Math.random(); // [0.0, 1.0)`
    - ▶ `randomDouble = randomDouble * (upper-lower); // [0.0, 20.0)`
    - ▶ `randomDouble = lower + randomDouble; // [100.0, 120.0)`
    - ▶ `randomInt = (int) randomDouble; // cast double → int`
  - Or in one step
    - ▶ `randomInt = (int) (lower + Math.random() * (upper-lower));`





# Rounding Methods

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- **double ceil(double x)**  
x rounded up to its nearest integer. This integer is returned as a double value.
- **double floor(double x)**  
x is rounded down to its nearest integer. This integer is returned as a double value.
- **double rint(double x)**  
x is rounded to its nearest integer. If x is equally close to two integers, the even one is returned as a double.
- **int round(float x)**  
Return (int)Math.floor(x+0.5).
- **long round(double x)**  
Return (long)Math.floor(x+0.5).

# Rounding Methods Examples

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```
Math.ceil(2.1) returns 3.0
Math.ceil(2.0) returns 2.0
Math.ceil(-2.0) returns -2.0
Math.ceil(-2.1) returns -2.0
Math.floor(2.1) returns 2.0
Math.floor(2.0) returns 2.0
Math.floor(-2.0) returns -2.0
Math.floor(-2.1) returns -3.0
Math rint(2.1) returns 2.0
Math rint(2.0) returns 2.0
Math rint(-2.0) returns -2.0
Math rint(-2.1) returns -2.0
Math rint(2.5) returns 2.0
Math rint(-2.5) returns -2.0
Math.round(2.6f) returns 3
Math.round(2.0) returns 2
Math.round(-2.0f) returns -2
Math.round(-2.6) returns -3
```

# Rounding Methods Examples

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- `Math.round(x)` returns `int` or a `long` (depending on if the argument is a `float` or a `double`)

```
int x = Math.round (81.7);    // This won't work? Why?  
                               // 81.7 is a double so need to store result in long
```

```
int intResult = Math.round (81.7f);    // Returns 82 - an int  
long longResult = Math.round(81.7);    // Returns 82 - a long
```



# Exponent Methods

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- **exp(double a)**  
Returns  $e$  raised to the power of  $a$ .
- **log(double a)**  
Returns the natural logarithm of  $a$ .
- **log10(double a)**  
Returns the 10-based logarithm of  $a$ .
- **pow(double a, double b)**  
Returns  $a$  raised to the power of  $b$ .
- **sqrt(double a)**  
Returns the square root of  $a$ .

## Examples:

```
Math.exp(1) returns 2.71
```

```
Math.log(2.71) returns 1.0
```

```
Math.pow(2, 3) returns 8.0
```

```
Math.pow(3, 2) returns 9.0
```

```
Math.pow(3.5, 2.5) returns  
22.91765
```

```
Math.sqrt(4) returns 2.0
```

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Math.sqrt(10.5) returns 3.24
```

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# Trigonometric Methods

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- ◆ `sin(double a)`
- ◆ `cos(double a)`
- ◆ `tan(double a)`
- ◆ `acos(double a)`
- ◆ `asin(double a)`
- ◆ `atan(double a)`  
Radians  
`toRadians(90)`

## Examples:

```
Math.sin(0) returns 0.0
```

```
Math.sin(Math.PI / 6)  
returns 0.5
```

```
Math.sin(Math.PI / 2)  
returns 1.0
```

```
Math.cos(0) returns 1.0
```

```
Math.cos(Math.PI / 6)  
returns 0.866
```

```
Math.cos(Math.PI / 2)  
returns 0.0
```



`toDegrees()`

# Trigonometric Methods

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- Provide an angle in radians

```
double sinOfZero = Math.sin(0); // 0 is in radian
```

```
System.out.println ("Math.sin(0) = " + sinOfZero); // Displays 0.0
```

- Examples with a value in degrees

```
double angleInRadians = Math.toRadians(60); // 60 is degree
```

```
System.out.println("Sixty degrees = " + angleInRadians + " radians");
```

```
double sinOfAngle = Math.sin(angleInRadians);
```

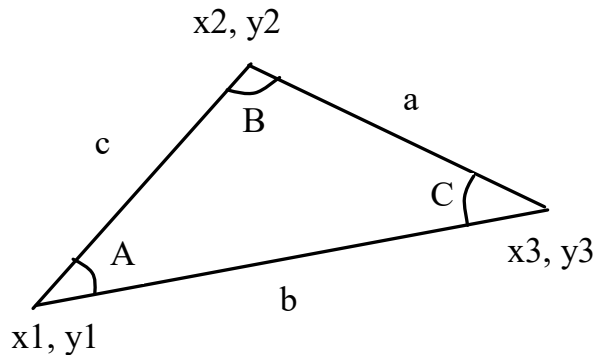
```
System.out.println ("Math.sin(60) = " + sinOfAngle);
```

Numbers3.java



# Case Study: Computing Angles of a Triangle

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$$A = \arccos\left(\frac{a^2 - b^2 - c^2}{-2bc}\right)$$

$$B = \arccos\left(\frac{b^2 - a^2 - c^2}{-2ac}\right)$$

$$C = \arccos\left(\frac{c^2 - b^2 - a^2}{-2ab}\right)$$

Write a program that prompts the user to enter the x- and y-coordinates of the three corner points in a triangle and then displays the triangle's angles.

Let's see ComputeAngle.java example.

# Character Data Type

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- Values: one single character
  - Use single quote 'x' to represent a character (double quotes "xxx" are for Strings)
    - ▶ `char middleInitial = 'M';`
    - ▶ `char numCharacter = '4'; // Assigns digit character 4 to numCharacter`
    - ▶ `System.out.println(numCharacter); // Displays 4`
  - Placing a character in "" it is no longer a char: it is a String (with one char in it)
    - ▶ `char middleInitial = "M"; // Error - cannot convert String to char`

Example: Char1.java





# Base 10, base 2 and base 16

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- The Decimal Number System is also called "Base 10"
  - There are 10 symbols (0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 and 9)
  - There is no symbol for "ten". "10" is actually two symbols put together, a "1" and a "0"
  - How to get a number in base 10? Example: 23, 123
  - But don't have to use 10 as a "Base". Could use 2 ("Binary"), 16 ("Hexadecimal"), or any number



# Base 10, base 2 and base 16

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- Binary (base 2)

- 000, 001, 010, 011, 100, ...
- Computers can only recognize 0/1's

- Hexadecimal (base 16)

- Decimal: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
- Hexadecimal: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F
- Example: 3BD



# Character Data Type

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Four hexadecimal digits.

```
char letter = 'A'; (ASCII)
```

```
char numChar = '4'; (ASCII)
```

```
char letter = '\u0041'; (Unicode)
```

```
char numChar = '\u0034'; (Unicode)
```

NOTE: The increment and decrement operators can also be used on char variables to get the next or preceding ASCII/Unicode character. For example, the following statements display character b.

```
char ch = 'a';
```

```
System.out.println(++ch);
```

# What's ASCII

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- A computer cannot store characters
  - The only thing it can store and work with are **bits**
  - A bit can only have two values: 1 or 0 (an "actual" bit is a blip of electricity that either is or isn't there)
- American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII): 8-bit character scheme
  - Provides encoding for 128 characters (0 to 127)
  - Based on ordering of English alphabet



# ASCII Code for Commonly Used Characters

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| Characters | Code Value in Decimal | Unicode Value    |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| '0' to '9' | 48 to 57              | \u0030 to \u0039 |
| 'A' to 'Z' | 65 to 90              | \u0041 to \u005A |
| 'a' to 'z' | 97 to 122             | \u0061 to \u007A |

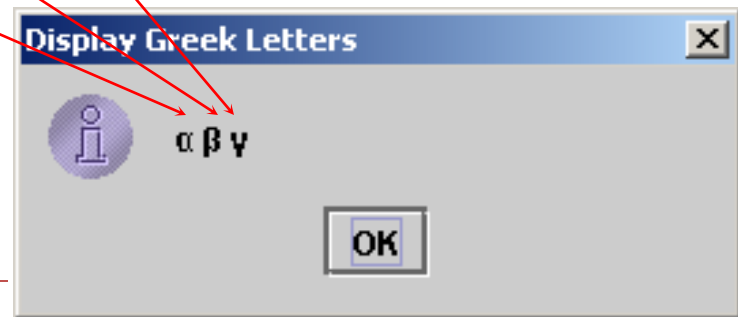
More information: <http://kunststube.net/encoding/>

# Unicode Format

Java characters use *Unicode*, a 16-bit encoding scheme to support texts in the world's diverse languages.

Unicode takes two bytes, preceded by `\u`, expressed in four hexadecimal numbers: from `\u0000` to `\uFFFF`. So, Unicode can represent  $65535 + 1$  characters.

Unicode `\u03b1` `\u03b2` `\u03b3` for three Greek letters



# Escape Sequences for Special Characters (Considered a Single character)

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| <i>Escape Sequence</i> | <i>Name</i>     | <i>Unicode Code</i> | <i>Decimal Value</i> |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| <code>\b</code>        | Backspace       | <code>\u0008</code> | 8                    |
| <code>\t</code>        | Tab             | <code>\u0009</code> | 9                    |
| <code>\n</code>        | Linefeed        | <code>\u000A</code> | 10                   |
| <code>\f</code>        | Formfeed        | <code>\u000C</code> | 12                   |
| <code>\r</code>        | Carriage Return | <code>\u000D</code> | 13                   |
| <code>\\</code>        | Backslash       | <code>\u005C</code> | 92                   |
| <code>\"</code>        | Double Quote    | <code>\u0022</code> | 34                   |

# Casting between char and Numeric Types

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```
int i = 'a'; // Same as int i = (int) 'a';
```

```
System.out.println ("i = " + i); // i = 97
```

**all numeric operators can be applied to the char operands**

```
char c = 97; // Same as char c = (char) 97;
```

```
System.out.println ("c = " + c); // c = a
```

Increment and decrement can be used on char variables to get the next or preceding ASCII/Unicode character.

```
char ch = 'a';
```

```
System.out.println(++ch); //shows character b
```

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# Comparing and Testing Characters

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```
if (ch >= 'A' && ch <= 'Z')
```

```
    System.out.println(ch + " is an uppercase letter");
```

```
else if (ch >= 'a' && ch <= 'z')
```

```
    System.out.println(ch + " is a lowercase letter");
```

```
else if (ch >= '0' && ch <= '9')
```

```
    System.out.println(ch + " is a numeric character");
```

**all numeric operators can be applied to the char operands**

# Methods in the Character Class

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| <b>Method</b>                    | <b>Description</b>  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| <code>isDigit(ch)</code>         | Returns true if the specified character is a digit.             |
| <code>isLetter(ch)</code>        | Returns true if the specified character is a letter.            |
| <code>isLetterOfDigit(ch)</code> | Returns true if the specified character is a letter or digit.   |
| <code>isLowerCase(ch)</code>     | Returns true if the specified character is a lowercase letter.  |
| <code>isUpperCase(ch)</code>     | Returns true if the specified character is an uppercase letter. |
| <code>toLowerCase(ch)</code>     | Returns the lowercase of the specified character.               |
| <code>toUpperCase(ch)</code>     | Returns the uppercase of the specified character.               |

**Like the Math class - you don't create an instance of this class**

# Methods in the Character Class

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```
if (Character.isUpperCase(c)) {  
    System.out.println("c is an uppercase letter");  
    System.out.println ("Its lowercase version is: " +  
                        Character.toLowerCase(c));  
}
```

Example: Char2.java

