

HW 7-2, Week 9.

1. Create and test a class **RotateRight** with a method *rotateRight()* that takes an *int* array and rotates the array's contents to the right in place (that is, the input array is changed) by the number of places passed as a parameter.

- The *rotateRight()* method header is:
`public static void rotateRight(int[] a, int places)`
- Numbers that fall off the right should cycle back to the left. For example, if the input array *numbers* is `{ 1, 3, 5, 7 }` and the call of *rotateRight()* is `rotateRight(numbers, 2)` then the *numbers* array should contain `{ 5, 7, 1, 3 }` after that call.
- Also write or copy a ***display()*** method to print the elements in an *int* array, and use it in *main* to test *rotateRight()* by displaying the elements of various arrays before and after calling the method (make it clear which is before and which is after, and what you expect the result to be).
- **Hints:**
 - If the length of the input array is 0 or 1 just return immediately (in that case the order of the array elements will not change).
 - Set `places = places % a.length;` If `places` is now 0, just return (rotating multiples of the length of the array, including rotating 0 places, does not change it).
 - If `places` is negative, set `places = a.length + places;` to turn it into a positive rotation. In the above *numbers* example, rotating right -1 positions is the same as rotating right +3.
 - Create a new *int* array *b* the same length as *a*, and in a *for* loop copy the elements of *a*, starting at 0, into the *b* array:
`b[places] = a[i]; // i is the for loop index`
`places = (places + 1) % a.length;`
`// this cycles back to start`
 - At the end of this loop, run another *for* loop to copy all the elements in *b* back into *a*. Now *a*'s elements have been rotated.
- Some possible tests:

<u>Array</u>	<u>places</u>	<u>result</u>	<u>comments</u>
{ 1, 3, 5, 7 }	2	{ 5, 7, 1, 3 }	example above
{ 1, 3, 5, 7 }	18	{ 5, 7, 1, 3 }	18 % 4 == 2
{ 1, 3, 5, 7 }	-1	{ 3, 5, 7, 1 }	4 + -1 == 3
{ 1, 3, 5, 7 }	8	{ 1, 3, 5, 7 }	8 % 4 == 0
{ 1 }	2	{ 1 }	places is ignored

2. Do a **modified** version of Chapter 7 Programming Project 2: Create and test a class ***Palindrome*** with a method *isPalindrome()* that takes a *char* array as its parameter and determines if the characters in that array represent a palindrome, that is, if they read the same forward and backward, ignoring upper and lower case and any blanks.

- The *isPalindrome()* method header is:

```
public static boolean isPalindrome(char[] a)
```
- Write a program that will accept a sequence of characters ending in a period, read by *Scanner nextLine()*, and will decide whether the *String* without the period is a palindrome, using the *isPalindrome()* method. You can assume that the input contains only letters and blanks before the period, and that it does contain a period at the end of the characters to check.
- Your *main* method should contain a loop that allows the user to check as many strings as they want until they type ***quit***.
- You may convert the input *String* to lower case before calling *isPalindrome()*, or you may have *isPalindrome()* do the conversion by using static method ***Character.toLowerCase()***.
- **Hints:**
 - Convert the input *String* to an array of characters before calling *isPalindrome()* – you can use *String* method *toCharArray()*, but only convert the part of the input *String* before the period:

```
int period = input.indexOf(".");  
String toCheck = input.substring(0, period);  
char[] ca = toCheck.toCharArray();
```
 - Write a helper method *removeBlanks()* with this header:

```
private static char[] removeBlanks(char[] a)
```

that will return a new, possibly shorter, character array with any blanks in *a* removed. You can use static method ***boolean Character.isWhiteSpace(char c)*** to find blanks in *a*.
 - Write another helper method *reverse()* with this header:

```
private static char[] reverse(char[] a)
```

that will return a new character array with the original characters in *a* in reverse order.
 - Finally, call *removeBlanks()* in *isPalindrome()*, then call *reverse()* and compare the two arrays – if they have all the same (lower case) characters, the input is a palindrome.