

CS 280

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- Understand the problem
- Categorize the problem
- Design a solution
- Code the solution
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Coding solutions

- Keep your files organized
 - Subfolder for each problem you solve
- Use the automated test framework
 - Or run interactively for quick tests
- Learn and customize your editor
 - Syntax highlighting, line numbers
 - Automatic indentation, tabs/spaces preferences
 - Key combinations, search/replace
- Practice typing!
 - Goal: speed AND precision

Coding solutions

- Write I/O code first
 - Can help you understand the problem better
 - Gives you a psych boost (got something working!)
 - You can't test anything without getting I/O right
- Programming contest I/O
 - Copy sample input/output from problem description
 - Read from standard input (`System.in`)
 - Write to standard output (`System.out`)
 - Use standard error for debugging output (`System.err`)
 - Output usually must match expected output **EXACTLY!!!**

I/O patterns

- Common input patterns
 - Number of cases given
 - Stop at signal value
 - Multiple data sets
 - Multiple values per line
 - Integers and floating-point numbers
- Common output patterns
 - Single answer
 - Multiple quantities
 - Floating-point (must be accurate to X digits)

Number of cases given

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);

int n = in.nextInt();    // data count
in.nextLine();           // discard newline

for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {

    int x = in.nextInt(); // next number
    in.nextLine();        // discard newline

    ...
```

Stop at signal value

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);

int x = in.nextInt();    // next number
in.nextLine();           // discard newline

while (x != 0) {

    x = in.nextInt();    // next number
    in.nextLine();       // discard newline

    ...
}
```


Multiple data sets

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);

int n = in.nextInt(); // next data count
in.nextLine();       // discard newline

while (n != 0) {
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {

        int x = in.nextInt(); // next number
        in.nextLine();       // discard newline

        // TODO: do something with x here
    }

    n = in.nextInt(); // next data count
    in.nextLine();   // discard newline

    ...
}
```

More input patterns

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);

// read whitespace-separated line and parse into array
String[] data = in.nextLine().split("\\s+");

// convert first item to integer
int x = Integer.parseInt(data[0]);

// convert second item to floating-point
double y = Double.parseDouble(data[1]);
```

Formatting output

```
// single integer
```

```
System.out.printf("%d", x);
```

```
// multiple integers, padded to six characters each
```

```
System.out.printf("%6d %6d", x, y);
```

```
// float with two decimal digits
```

```
System.out.printf("%.2f", x);
```

```
// float with two decimal digits, padded to 8 chars
```

```
System.out.printf("%8.2f", x);
```

References:

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/data/numberformat.html>
- https://www.cs.colostate.edu/~cs160/.Summer16/resources/Java_printf_method_quick_reference.pdf

Solved problem

Oddities

Some numbers are just, well, odd. For example, the number 3 is odd, because it is not a multiple of two. Numbers that are a multiple of two are not odd, they are even. More precisely, if a number n can be expressed as $n = 2 * k$ for some integer k , then n is even. For example, $6 = 2 * 3$ is even.

Some people get confused about whether numbers are odd or even. To see a common example, do an internet search for the query “is zero even or odd?” (Don’t search for this now! You have a problem to solve!)

Write a program to help these confused people.

Input

Input begins with an integer $1 \leq n \leq 20$ on a line by itself, indicating the number of test cases that follow. Each of the following n lines contain a test case consisting of a single integer $-10 \leq x \leq 10$.

Output

For each x , print either ‘ x is odd’ or ‘ x is even’ depending on whether x is odd or even.

Sample Input 1

```
3
10
9
-5
```

Sample Output 1

```
10 is even
9 is odd
-5 is odd
```

Solved problem

```
8         Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
9
10        int n = in.nextInt();    // # of numbers
11
12        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
13
14            int x = in.nextInt();    // next number
15
16            System.out.print(x);
17
18            // x is even if the remainder when divided by 2 is zero
19            if (x % 2 == 0) {
20                System.out.println(" is even");
21            } else {
22                System.out.println(" is odd");
23            }
24        }
```

Solved problem

```
8 Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
9
10 int n = in.nextInt(); // # of numbers
11
12 for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
13
14     int x = in.nextInt(); // next number
15
16     System.out.print(x);
17     System.out.println(x % 2 == 0 ? " is even" : " is odd");
18 }
```