

# My Solution on Assignment 1 - Problem 4

This is my Solution of Assignment 1 - Problem 4 from the [Computer Science Course CS106A](#) of Prof. [Mehran Sahami](#) at the [STANFORD University](#).

[MidpointFindingKarel.java](#)

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/*
 * File: MidpointFindingKarel.java
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 * When you finish writing it, the MidpointFindingKarel class should
 * leave a beeper on the corner closest to the center of 1st Street
 * (or either of the two central corners if 1st Street has an even
 * number of corners). Karel can put down additional beepers as it
 * looks for the midpoint, but must pick them up again before it
 * stops. The world may be of any size, but you are allowed to
 * assume that it is at least as tall as it is wide.
 */

import stanford.karel.*;

public class MidpointFindingKarel extends SuperKarel {

    public void run() {
        /*
         * Karel finds the middle (-+1) of the world and drops
         * a beeper there.
         */
        checkWidth();
        goMiddle();
        putBeeper();
        paintCorner(RED);

        while( beepersPresent() ) { // infinite loop (dance)
            paintCorner(GREEN);
            turnLeft();
            paintCorner(RED);
            turnLeft();
        }
    }

    private void checkWidth() {
        /* this method lays a line of beepers to determine the width of
        his world
         * then it stacks/stores the beepers at 1,1
         *
         * Pre-condition:    Karel at 1,1 facing EAST
         *                  no Beepers at all
         *
         */
    }
}
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    * Post-condition:    Karel at 1,1 facing EAST
    *
    *                       Width of World represented as a Stack of
    *                       Beepers at 1,1
    */

    drawLine();
    collectBeepers();
}

private void drawLine() {
    /* this method lays a line of beepers to determine the width of
his world
    *
    * Pre-condition:    Karel at 1:1 facing EAST
    *                       no Beepers at all
    * Post-condition:    Karel in front of RIGHT WALL (x,1) facing
EAST
    *
    *                       behind him a line of beepers
    */
    while( frontIsClear() ) {
        putBeeper();
        move();
    }
    putBeeper();
}

private void collectBeepers() {
    /* this method collects a line of beepers and stacks them
    * at 1,1
    *
    * Pre-condition:    Karel in front of RIGHT WALL (x,1) facing
EAST
    *
    *                       behind him a line of beepers
    *
    * Post-condition:    Karel at 1:1 facing EAST, sitting on a
Stack of
    *
    *                       Beepers representing the WIDTH of his
World
    */
    turnAround();
    while( frontIsClear() ) {
        while( beepersPresent() ) {
            pickBeeper();
            move();
            putBeeper();
            moveBack();
        }
        move();
    }
}
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    turnAround();
}

private void moveBack() {
    /* moves karel ONE STEP back keeping direction heading
    *
    */
    turnAround();
    move();
    turnAround();
}

private void goMiddle() {
    /* this method moves karel (and the beepers left at his place)
to the next
    * position, taking 2 Beepers per Step.
    *
    * Pre-condition:    Karel at 1,1 facing EAST
    *                   X Beepers at 1,1
    *
    * Post-condition:   Karel at x,1 (near middle) facing EAST
    *                   no beepers left
    */

    pickBeeper(); // off by one bug: need to walk x-1 steps

    while( beepersPresent() ) {
        pickBeeper(); // take one beeper per Step
        pushStack();
        move();
        if( beepersPresent() ) { // Still Beepers left?
            pickBeeper(); // take one MORE beeper as charge/cost
        }
    }
}

private void pushStack() {
    /* this method moves the whole stack of beepers on karels
actual
    * position ONE STEP further keeping the direction.
    *
    * Pre-condition:    Karel at x,1 facing EAST with
    *                   X Beepers at his position.
    *
    * Post-condition:   Karel at x+1,1 facing EAST with
    *                   X-1 Beepers at his position.
    */

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while( beepersPresent() ) {  
    pickBeeper(); // take one beeper as charge/cost  
    move();  
    putBeeper();  
    moveBack();  
}  
}  
}
```

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