

# JAVA.LANG.MATH.NEXTAFTER METHOD

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## Description

The **java.lang.Math.nextAfter***float**start, doubledirection* returns the floating-point number adjacent to the first argument in the direction of the second argument. If both arguments compare as equal a value equivalent to the second argument is returned. Special cases:

- If either argument is a NaN, then NaN is returned.
- If both arguments are signed zeros, a value equivalent to direction is returned.
- If *start* is  $\diamond$ Float.MIN\_VALUE and direction has a value such that the result should have a smaller magnitude, then a zero with the same sign as start is returned.
- If *start* is infinite and direction has a value such that the result should have a smaller magnitude, Float.MAX\_VALUE with the same sign as start is returned.
- If *start* is equal to  $\diamond$ Float.MAX\_VALUE and direction has a value such that the result should have a larger magnitude, an infinity with same sign as start is returned.

## Declaration

Following is the declaration for **java.lang.Math.nextAfter** method

```
public static float nextAfter(float start, double direction)
```

## Parameters

- **start** -- starting floating-point value
- **direction** -- value indicating which of start's neighbors or start should be returned

## Return Value

This method returns the floating-point number adjacent to start in the direction of direction.

## Exception

- **NA**

## Example

The following example shows the usage of lang.Math.nextAfter method.

```
package com.tutorialspoint;

import java.lang.*;

public class MathDemo {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        // get two numbers
        float x = 98759.765f;
        double y = 154.28764;

        // print the next number for x towards y
        System.out.println("Math.nextAfter(" + x + ", " + y + ")="
            + Math.nextAfter(x, y));
    }
}
```

Let us compile and run the above program, this will produce the following result:

`Math.nextAfter(98759.765f, 154.28764)=98759.76`

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