

A+ Computer Science

Strings



String

String s = "apluscs";

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
S	a	p	l	u	s	c	s

**A string is a group of characters.
The first character in the group is at spot 0.**



String

```
String s = "appluscompsci";  
String champ = new String("applus");
```

**reference
variable**

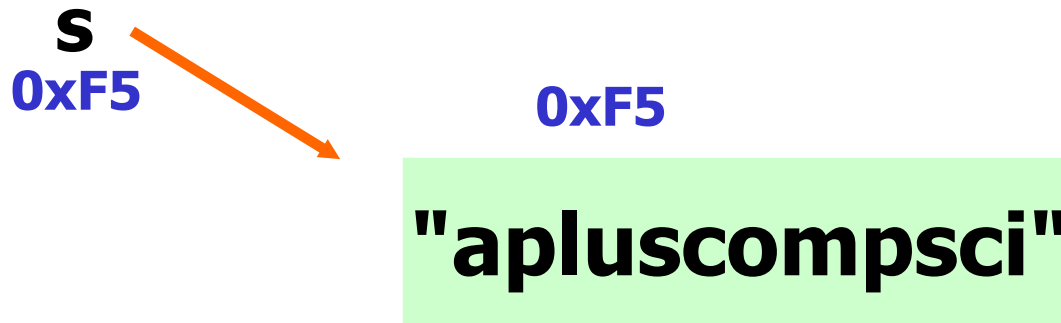


**object
instantiation**



String

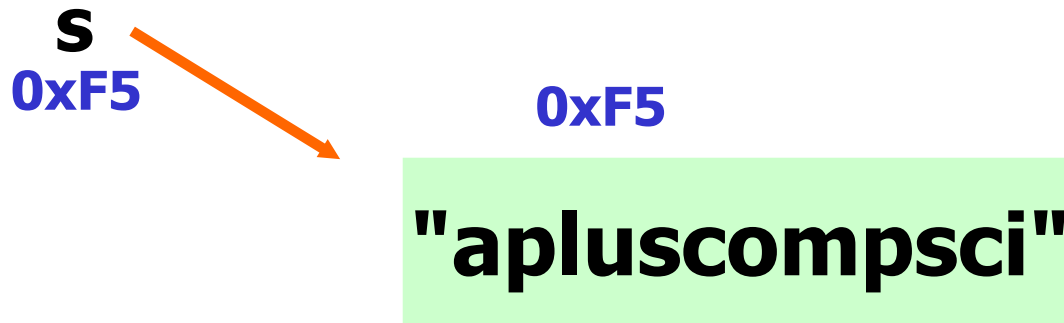
```
String s = "apluscompsci";
```



A reference variable stores the memory address of an object.


String

```
String s;  
s = new String("apluscompsci");
```



A reference variable stores the memory address of an object.

basics.java



String Objects

String objects are immutable.

The String class does not contain any modifier / mutator methods.

```
new String("uiltcea");  
"statechamps"  
"alligator"
```

String Methods

Methods provide / grant access to an object's data / properties.

String

**instance
variables /
data /
properties**

length()

substring()

indexOf()

toString()



String

frequently used methods

Name	Use
<code>charAt(x)</code>	returns the char at spot x
<code>length()</code>	returns the # of chars
<code>substring(x,y)</code>	returns a section of the string from x to y not including y
<code>substring(x)</code>	returns a section of the string from x to length-1

part of java.lang package

String length()

```
String s = "apluscs";  
int len = s.length();  
System.out.println( len );
```

OUTPUT

7

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	a	p	l	u	s	c	s



String length()

Return methods perform some action and return a result back.

.length() is a return method.

```
String s = "apluscs";  
int len = s.length();  
System.out.println( len );
```

length() returns an integer back to the calling location.
The value returned is then assigned to variable len.

String charAt()

```
String s = "apluscs";
```

```
out.print(s.charAt(0) + " ");  
out.print(s.charAt(2) + " ");  
out.println(s.charAt(6));
```

OUTPUT

a l s

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	a	p	l	u	s	c	s

length.java
charat.java

String substring()

```
String s = "apluscs" , sub = "";
```

```
sub = s.substring(3);  
out.println(sub);
```

```
sub = s.substring(0,3);  
out.println(sub);
```

```
sub = s.substring(4);  
out.println(sub);
```

OUTPUT

uscs

apl

scs

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	a	p	l	u	s	c	s

String substring()

```
String s = "apluscs", sub = "";
```

```
sub = s.substring(3);  
out.println(sub);
```

```
sub = s.substring(2,5);  
out.println(sub);
```

```
sub = s.substring(4,6);  
out.println(sub);
```

OUTPUT

uscs

lus

sc

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	a	p	l	u	s	c	s

String substring()

```
String s = "apluscs", sub = "";
```

```
sub = s.substring(0,1);  
out.println(sub);
```

```
sub = s.substring(1,2);  
out.println(sub);
```

```
sub = s.substring(2,3);  
out.println(sub);
```

OUTPUT

a
p
l

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	a	p	l	u	s	c	s

substring.java



String

frequently used methods

Name	Use
indexOf(str)	returns the loc of String str in the string, searching from spot 0 to spot length-1
indexOf(ch)	returns the loc of char ch in the string, searching from spot 0 to spot length-1
lastIndexOf(str)	returns the loc of String str in the string, searching from spot length-1 to spot 0
lastIndexOf(ch)	returns the loc of char ch in the string, searching from spot length-1 to spot 0

part of java.lang package

String indexOf()

```
String s = "apluscs";  
int index = s.indexOf("us");  
out.println(index);  
index = s.indexOf("c");  
out.println(index);  
index = s.indexOf('x');  
out.println(index);
```

OUTPUT

3

5

-1

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	a	p	l	u	s	c	s

String indexOf()

```
String s = "apluscs";  
int index = s.indexOf("pl");  
out.println(index);  
index = s.lastIndexOf('c');  
out.println(index);  
index = s.lastIndexOf("plus");  
out.println(index);
```

OUTPUT

1
5
1

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	a	p	l	u	s	c	s

indexof.java

Complete Method Chunk

```
/*  
 *method getFirstChunk() should return  
 *all letters up to the first @ sign  
 *if there is no @ return "aplus"  
 *if the string starts with an @, return "APLUS"  
 */
```

```
public static String getFirstChunk( String line )  
{  
    return "";  
}
```

chunk.java

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**Crank
Some Code!**



String

frequently used methods

Name	Use
equals(s)	checks if this string has same chars as s
compareTo(s)	compares this string and s for >, <, and ==

part of java.lang package

The equals() method

```
String one = new String("compsci");  
String two = new String("compsci");
```

```
System.out.println( one.equals(two) );
```

```
System.out.println( one.equals("comp") );
```

OUTPUT

**true
false**

equals() compares the values stored in the actual String objects.

compareTo()

```
String one = "region";  
String two = "uilstate";  
out.println(one.compareTo(two));  
out.println(two.compareTo(one));  
two = "region";  
out.println(two.compareTo(one));
```

OUTPUT

-3
3
0

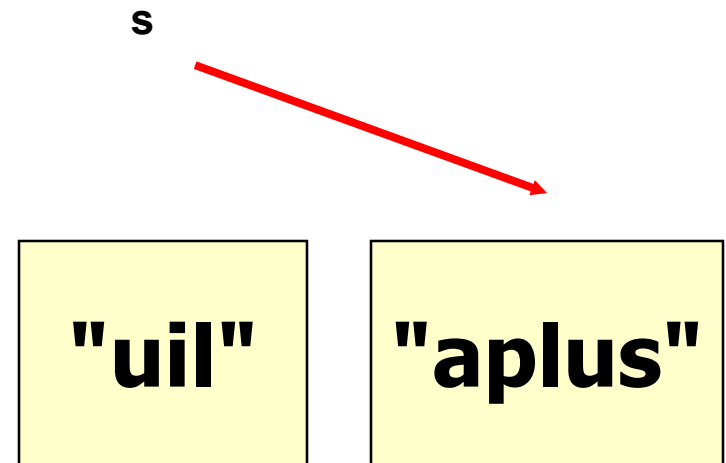
compareTo() returns the difference in ASCII value when comparing Strings.

compare.java

String References

A String reference variable can be changed, but the String object the variable refers to cannot be changed.

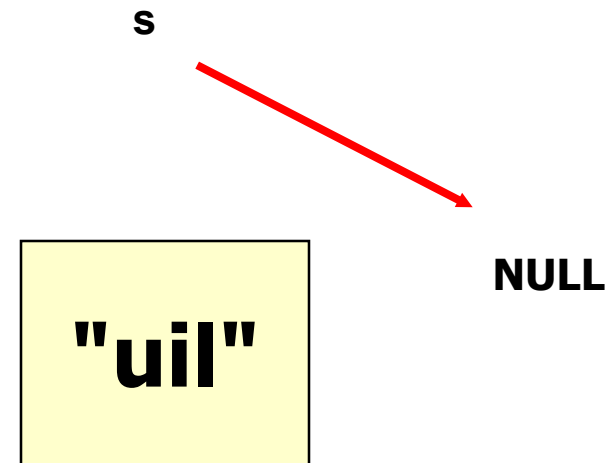
```
String s = "uil";  
out.println(s);  
s = "aplus";  
out.println(s);
```



String References

A String reference variable can be changed, but the String object the variable refers to cannot be changed.

```
String s = "uil";  
out.println(s);  
s = null;  
out.println(s);
```





String References

A String reference variable can be changed, but the String object the variable refers to cannot be changed.

```
String s = "compsci ";  
out.println(s);  
s.toUpperCase();  
out.println(s);  
s=s.toUpperCase();  
  
out.println(s);
```

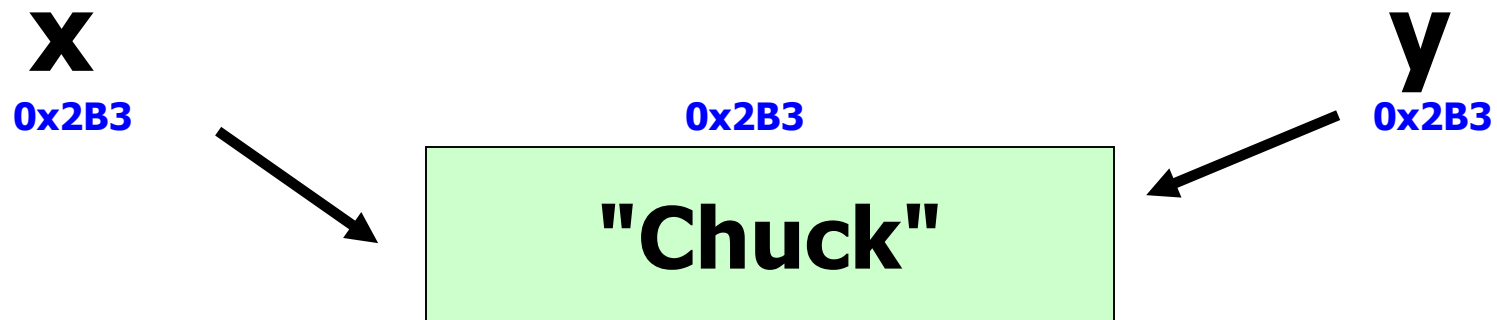
OUTPUT

```
compsci  
compsci  
COMPSCI
```

References

```
String x = new String("Chuck");  
String y = x;
```

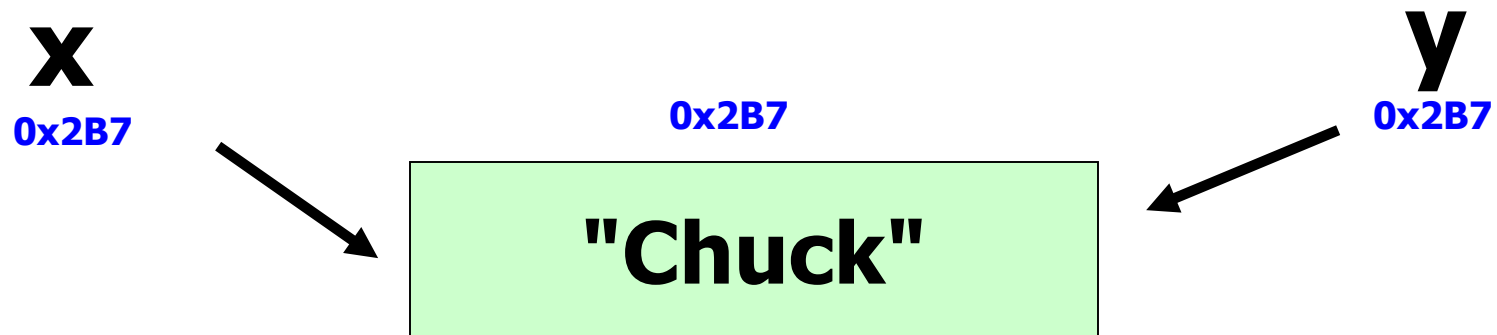
x and y store the same memory address.



References

```
String x = "Chuck";  
String y = "Chuck";
```

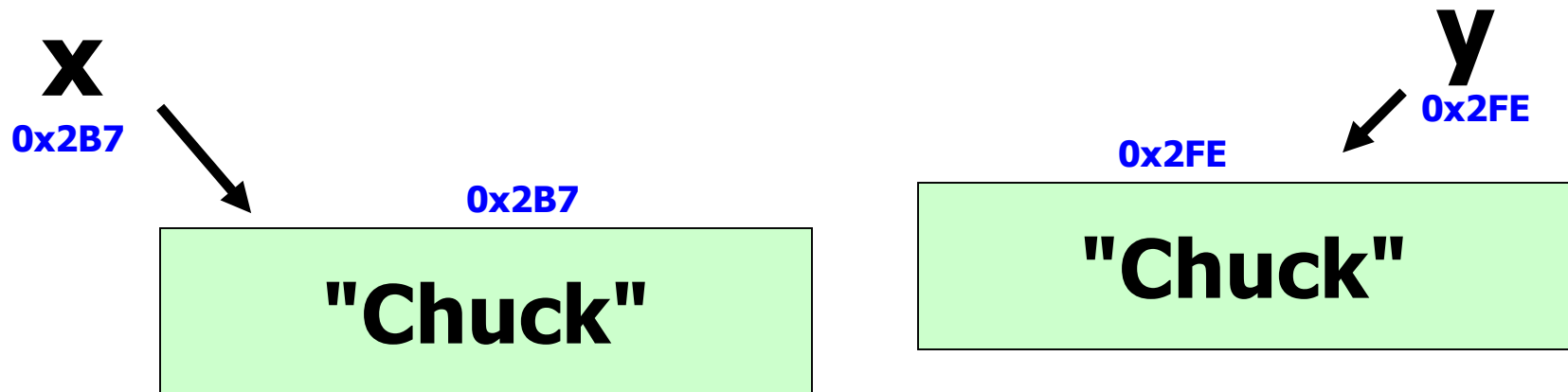
x and y store the same memory address.



References

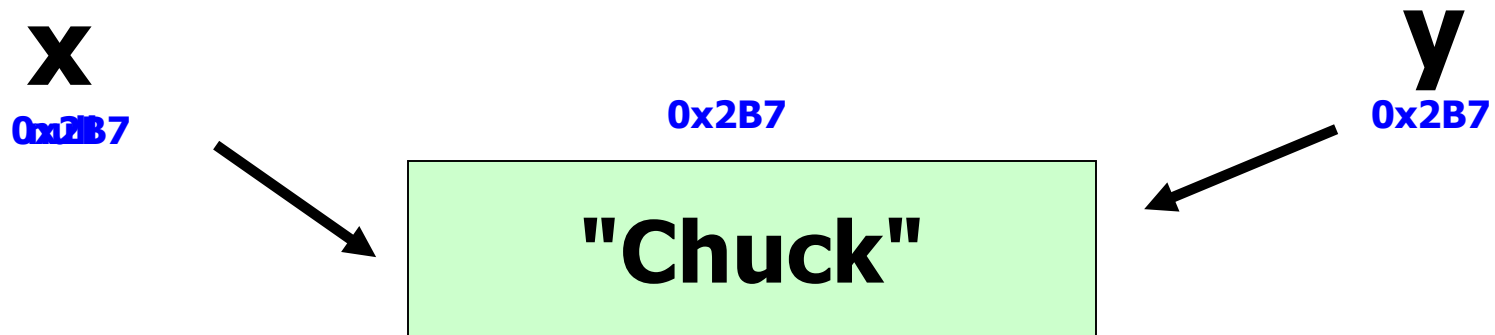
```
String x = new String("Chuck");  
String y = new String("Chuck");
```

x and y store different memory addresses.



References

```
String x = "Chuck";  
String y = "Chuck";  
x = null;
```



touppercase.java

string_references.java



Concatenate

```
String one = "apluscomp";  
String two = "-sci";  
String s = one.substring(0,4) + two;  
out.println( s );  
out.println( s.length() );
```

OUTPUT
aplu-sci
8

Concatenate is the process of combining strings together to make a new string.



Concatenate

```
String one = "aplus";  
one = one + 7;  
System.out.println( one );  
out.println(one.length());
```

OUTPUT

apls7

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Concatenate is the process of combining strings together to make a new string.



Concatenate

```
String one = "it";  
Double x = 99.5;  
one = one + x;  
System.out.println( one );  
out.println(one.length());
```

OUTPUT

it99.5

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Concatenate is the process of combining strings together to make a new string.

concatenate.java



Parsing Strings

```
int i =  
i = Integer.parseInt("2343");  
out.println( i );
```

OUTPUT

**2343
23.78**

```
double d = Double.parseDouble("23.78");  
out.println( d );
```

stringtonums.java



APIs

An API is a collection of prewritten classes and code that can be used to write programs.

The String class is part of the `java.lang` package.

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