

Pg. 168 - 183 Java Programming *A comprehensive Introduction*

More Arrays + Strings

## **Section 1: Define / Answer**

*arrayname.length: the length of the array*

What are Strings used for most commonly in Java?

Initializes a newly created String object so that it represents the same sequence of characters as the argument; in other words, the newly created string is a copy of the argument string. Unless an explicit copy of original is needed, use of this constructor is unnecessary since Strings are immutable.

ASCII - the most common format for text files in computers and on the Internet. In an ASCII file, each alphabetic, numeric, or special character is represented with a 7-bit binary number (a string of seven 0s or 1s). 128 possible characters are defined.

Char (Character) – data type with the size of exactly one byte, which in turn is defined to be large enough to contain any member of the basic execution character set and UTF-8 code units. This implies a minimum size of 8 bits.

### OPERATING ON STINGS or String Operators-

Boolean equals(str): This method compares this string to the specified object. The result is true if and only if the argument is not null and is a String object that represents the same sequence of characters as this object.

int (length : This method returns the length of this string. The length is equal to the number of 16-bit Unicode characters in the string.

`char charAt(index)` : This method returns the character located at the String's specified index. The string indexes start from zero.

`int compareTo(str)` : There are two variants of this method. First method compares this String to another Object and second method compares two strings lexicographically.

`int indexOf(str)` : The `java.lang.String.indexOf(String str, int fromIndex)` method returns the index within this string of the first occurrence of the specified substring, starting at the specified index. The integer returned is the smallest value `k` for which:

`k >= Math.min(fromIndex, this.length()) && this.startsWith(str, k)`

If no such value of `k` exists, then `-1` is returned. .

`int spacepos = str.indexOf(" ");`

Ex: `'Blue Whale'.indexOf('Whale', 0);` // returns 5

Characters in a string are indexed from left to right. The index of the first character is 0, and the index of the last character of a string called `stringName` is `stringName.length - 1`.

Thus, `int spacepos = something.indexOf(" ");`

Where, `something = 'lol'`

`int lastIndexOf(str)`:

this method has the following variants:

`int lastIndexOf(int ch)`: Returns the index within this string of the last occurrence of the specified character or `-1` if the character does not occur.

`public int lastIndexOf(int ch, int fromIndex)`: Returns the index of the last occurrence of the character in the character sequence represented by this object that is less than or equal to `fromIndex`, or `-1` if the character does not occur before that point.

`public int lastIndexOf(String str)`: If the string argument occurs one or more times as a substring within this object, then it returns the index of the first character of the last such substring is returned. If it does not occur as a substring, `-1` is returned.

`public int lastIndexOf(String str, int fromIndex):` Returns the index within this string of the last occurrence of the specified substring, searching backward starting at the specified index.

## Programming Assignment:

Task 1- Write a program that allows the user to enter a String and then uses a **for** loop to check whether the **String** is a palindrome, which means that if you reverse the order of the characters in the **String**, you get the same **String** back.

The program should output, **String** is a palindrome or not.

Attach Snipping photos of source code and output.

For example,

noon **is a** palindrome

abdcba **is a** palindrome

cat **is not a** palindrome

dog **is not a** palindrome

```
1
2 package javaapplication3;
3
4 import java.util.Scanner;
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6 public class JavaApplication3 {
7
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9         System.out.println("Enter a string: ");
10        Scanner input = new Scanner (System.in);
11        String command = input.nextLine();
12        char[] array = new char[command.length()];
13
14        for(int i = 0; i < command.length(); i++) {
15            array[i] = command.charAt(i);
16        }
17
18        for(int i = 0; i < command.length(); i++) {
19            System.out.println("element #" + i + " is " + array[i]);
20        }System.out.println();
21
22        int check = 0;
23        int j = command.length() - 1;
24        for(int i = 0; i < j; i++) {
25            if(array[i] == array[j]){
26                check = 1;
27            } else {
28                check = 0;
29            }j--;
30        }
31        if(command.length() == 1) {
32            check = 1;
33        }
34        if(check > 0){
35            System.out.println(command + " is a palindrome");
36        } else {
37            System.out.println(command + " is not a palindrome");
38        }
39    }
40 }
41
```

```
run:
Enter a string:
noticedeciton
element #0 is n
element #1 is o
element #2 is t
element #3 is i
element #4 is c
element #5 is e
element #6 is d
element #7 is e
element #8 is c
element #9 is i
element #10 is t
element #11 is o
element #12 is n

noticedeciton is a palindrome
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 15 seconds)
|
```

```
run:
Enter a string:
nok
element #0 is n
element #1 is o
element #2 is k

nok is not a palindrome
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 1 second)
|
```