# Character, String and String Builder

#### Character

 A class whose instances can hold a <u>single</u> <u>character</u> value and whose methods manipulate and inspect <u>single-character</u> <u>data</u>

#### Character method

- o isUpperCase()
  - Tests if character is <u>uppercase</u>
  - Returns <u>true</u> if the argument is uppercase and <u>false</u> otherwise

#### Character method

- o isLowerCase()
  - Tests if character is <u>lowercase</u>
  - Returns <u>true</u> if the argument is lowercase and <u>false</u> otherwise

#### "Character method

```
char x = 'b';
System.out.println(Character.isUpperCase(x));
System.out.println(Character.isLowerCase(x));
False
True
```

#### Character method

- toUpperCase()
  - Returns the <u>uppercase</u> equivalent of the argument
  - No change is made if the argument is an uppercase letter

```
char x = 'A';
System.out.println(Character.toUpperCase(x));
char y = 'e';
System.out.println(Character.toUpperCase(y));

A
E
```

#### Character method

- toLowerCase()
  - Returns the <u>lowercase</u> equivalent of the argument
  - No change is made if the argument is a lowercase letter

#### "Character method

```
char x = 'b';
System.out.println(Character.toUpperCase(x));
System.out.println(Character.toLowerCase(x));

B
b
```

#### Character method

- o isDigit()
  - Returns <u>true</u> if the argument is a digit (0–9) and <u>false</u> otherwise
- isLetter()
  - Returns <u>true</u> if the argument is a letter and <u>false</u> otherwise
- isLetterOrDigit()
  - Returns <u>true</u> if the argument is a letter or digit and <u>false</u> otherwise

#### "Character method

```
char x = 'b', y = '*';

System.out.println(Character.isDigit(x));
System.out.println(Character.isLetter(x));
System.out.println(Character.isLetterOrDigit(y));

false
    true
    false
```

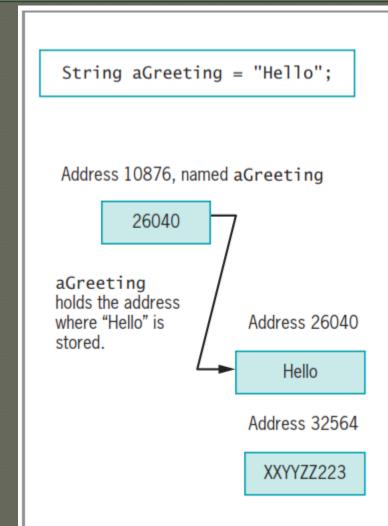
#### Character method

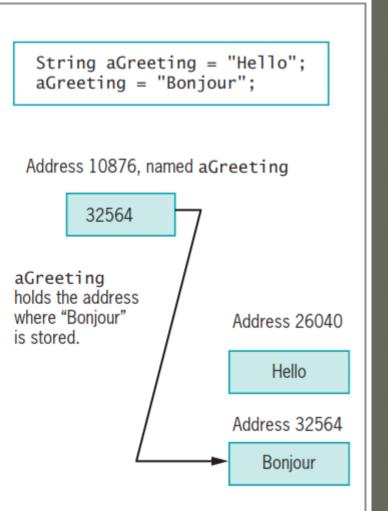
- isWhitespace()
  - Returns <u>true</u> if the argument is whitespace and <u>false</u> otherwise
  - Includes the space, tab, newline, carriage return, and form feed

#### String

- A class for working with <u>fixed-string data</u>
  - that is, <u>unchanging data</u> (immutable) composed of <u>multiple characters</u>
- It is a <u>class</u> in Java
  - · Each created string is an object
  - String variable name is a <u>reference</u> (memory address)

### String





- equals()
  - Evaluates the contents of two String objects to determine if they are <u>equivalent</u>
  - Returns <u>true</u> if the objects have identical contents, no matter how the contents were assigned, and <u>false</u> otherwise

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
String x = "Java";
String y = in.next();

System.out.println(x.equals(y));

***if the user typed Java true
***if the user typed programming false
***if the user typed java false
```

- equalsIgnoreCase()
  - Similar to the equals() method
  - Ignores case when determining if two Strings are equivalent.

#### compareTo()

- Used to compare two Strings and returns an integer value.
- Difference between calling object and the argument.
- Zero if the two Strings refer to the same value.
- Negative number if the calling object is less than the argument
- Positive number if the calling object is more than the argument.

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
String x = "Java Programming";
String y = in.nextLine();

System.out.println(x.compareTo(y));

***if the user typed Java programing -32
***if the user typed Android programming 9
***if the user typed Java Programming 0
***if the user typed Java Programming 12
```

- compareToIgnoreCase()
  - Similar to the compareTo() method
  - Ignores case when comparing two Strings and returns an <u>integer</u> <u>value</u>.

```
String x = "Number";
String y = "Numbering";
String z = "numbers";
System.out.println(y.compareTo(x));
System.out.println(y.compareTo(z));
System.out.println(x.compareToIgnoreCase(z));
System.out.println(z.compareToIgnoreCase(y));
             -32
             -1
             10
```

- toUpperCase()
  - converts any String to its uppercase equivalent
- toLowerCase()
  - converts any String to its lowercase equivalent

```
String x = "number";

x.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(x);
x = x.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(x);
x = x.toLowerCase();
System.out.println(x);
number
NUMBER
number
```

- length()
  - Returns the length of a String

```
String x = "string methods";
System.out.println(x.length());

14
```

#### o indexOf()

- Determines if a specific character occurs within a String
- Returns <u>position</u> of the character (starts with 0)
- Returns <u>-1</u> if the character does not exist in the String

```
String x = "string methods";

System.out.println(x.indexOf('t'));
System.out.println(x.indexOf('S'));
System.out.println(x.indexOf('e'));

1
-1
8
```

```
String x = "object oriented";
x = x.toUpperCase();
System.out.println(x);
x.toLowerCase();
System.out.println(x);
int y = x.length();
System.out.println(x.indexOf('e'));
System.out.println(x.indexOf('T'));
System.out.println(x.indexOf('i'));
                                         OBJECT ORIENTED
System.out.println(x.indexOf('0'));
                                         OBJECT ORIENTED
System.out.println(y);
                                         -1
                                         0
```

#### charAt()

- Requires an <u>integer argument</u> that indicates the position of the <u>character</u> that the method returns, starting with 0.
- <u>Error</u> occurs if argument is <u>negative or >= the length</u> of the calling String

```
String x = "string methods";
char y;

System.out.println(x.charAt(5));
y = x.charAt(8);
System.out.println(Character.toUpperCase(y));

g
E
```

```
String x = "the quick brown fox";
int y;

for(int z = 0; z < x.length(); z++)
        if(x.charAt(z) == ' ')
        y++;

System.out.println(y);</pre>
```

```
String x = "jun23@gmail.com";
char y;
for(int i = 0; i < x.length(); i++){
                                                   u
    y = x.charAt(i);
                                                   m
    if(y % 4 == 1) {
                                                   a
        System.out.println(y);
System.out.println("\n");
                                                   u
for(int i = 0; i < x.length(); i++){}
                                                   3
    y = x.charAt(i);
    if(y % 6 == 3) {
        System.out.println(y);
                                                   0
```

- endsWith()
  - Takes a <u>String argument</u> and return <u>true or false</u> if a String object <u>does or does not end</u> with the specified argument
  - Case sensitive method

- startsWith()
  - Takes a <u>String argument</u> and return <u>true or false</u> if a String object <u>does or does not start</u> with the specified argument
  - Case sensitive method

```
String x = "string methods";

System.out.println(x.startsWith("sT"));
System.out.println(x.startsWith("str"));
System.out.println(x.startsWith("s"));

false
    true
    true
```

#### o replace()

- It replace all occurrences of a character within a String.
- Case sensitive method
- No change if the character does not exist within the String.

```
String x = "object oriented",y;

System.out.println(x.replace('o','a'));
System.out.println(x);

y = x.replace('e','i');
System.out.println(y);
System.out.println(x);

abject ariented
    object oriented
    object oriented
    object oriented
abject ariented
    object oriented
    object oriented
```

#### substring()

- It takes two integer arguments a <u>start position</u> and an <u>end</u> <u>position</u> (index)
- The <u>length</u> of the extracted substring is the <u>difference</u> between the <u>second</u> integer and the <u>first</u> integer
- If you call the method <u>without a second integer</u> argument, the substring <u>extends to the end</u> of the original string.

- otrim()
  - Removes trailing spaces in the beginning and end of the String.

```
String x = " hello world ";
System.out.println(x.trim());
String y = " java program ";
System.out.println(y.trim());

hello world
    java program
```

#### regionMatches()

- It can be used to test whether two String regions are the same.
- One version takes four arguments—the position at which to start in the calling String, the other String being compared, the position to start in the other String, and the length of the comparison.

- A second version of the regionMatches()
  method takes an <u>additional boolean</u>
  argument as the first argument.
- This argument represents whether case should be ignored in deciding whether regions match.

```
String thirdString = "123 Maple Drive";
String fourthString = "a maple tree";
S.o.p. (thirdString.regionMatches(true, 4, fourthString, 2, 5));
```

```
String x = " programming ";
String y = "prograM";
System.out.println(x.regionMatches(0,y,0,4));
x.trim();
System.out.println(x.regionMatches(0,y,0,4));
x = x.trim();
System.out.println(x.regionMatches(1, y, 1, 5));
System.out.println(x.regionMatches(3, y, 3, 4));
System.out.println(x.regionMatches(true, 3, y, 3, 4));
                 false
                 false
                 true
                 false
                 true
```

#### toString

- toString()
  - Converts any object to a string

```
String x;
int y = 4;
double z= 5.65;

x = Integer.toString(y);
System.out.println(x);
x = Double.toString(z);
System.out.println(x);

4
5.65
```

#### "Parsing

#### • Parsing

converting a String to a number

```
String x = "649", y = "123";
System.out.println(x + y);
S.o.p.(Integer.parseInt(x) + Integer.parseInt(y));
                        649123
                        772
String x = 152.678'', y = 3.987'';
System.out.println(x + y);
S.o.p.(Double.parseDouble(x) + Double.parseDouble(y));
                    152.6783.987
                    156.665
```

#### StringBuilder and StringBuffer

- Classes for storing and manipulating changeable data (mutable) composed of multiple characters
- It is used to modify strings without creation of new and different String objects in memory.

#### Declaration and Instantiation

```
StringBuilder x = new StringBuilder("Java");
StringBuilder x = new StringBuilder(in.nextLine());
StringBuilder x = null;
x = new StringBuilder("Java");
```

### StringBuilder methods

- capacity()
  - The actual length of the <u>buffer</u> of the StringBuilder object
  - Length of the string + 16
  - Buffer a memory block which might or might not contain a string. If it does contain a string, the string might not occupy the entire buffer.

```
StringBuilder x = new StringBuilder("Programming");
int y = x.capacity();
System.out.println(x.length);
System.out.println("Capacity is " + y);

11
Capacity is 27
```

#### setLength()

changes the length of a string in a StringBuilder object

```
StringBuilder x = null;
x = new StringBuilder("6311 Hickory Nut Grove Road");
x.setLength(15);
System.out.println(x);
x.setLength(20);
System.out.println(x + "mar");

6311 Hickory Nu
6311 Hickory Nu----mar
```

#### append()

- append()
  - add characters to the end of a StringBuilder object

```
StringBuilder x = new StringBuilder("Happy");
x.append(" birthday");
System.out.println(x);
x.append(" today");
System.out.println(x);

Happy birthday
Happy birthday today
```

#### oinsert()

 add characters at a specific location within a StringBuilder object.

```
StringBuilder x = new StringBuilder("Happy");
x.append(" birthday");
System.out.println(x);
x.insert(6, "18th ");
System.out.println(x);

Happy birthday
Happy 18th birthday
```

#### setCharAt()

- allows you to change a character at a specified position within a StringBuilder object
- requires two arguments: an integer position and a character.