

## StringBuilder:-

Java *StringBuilder* class is used to create mutable (modifiable) string. The Java *StringBuilder* class is same as *StringBuffer* class except that it is non-synchronized. It is available since JDK 1.5.

### Important Constructors of StringBuilder class

Constructor	Description
<b>StringBuilder()</b>	creates an empty string buffer with the initial capacity of 16.
<b>StringBuilder(String str)</b>	creates a string buffer with the specified string.
<b>StringBuilder(int capacity)</b>	creates an empty string buffer with the specified capacity as length.

### Important methods of StringBuilder class

Modifier and Type	Method	Description
<b>public synchronized StringBuilder</b>	<code>append(String s)</code>	is used to append the specified string with this string. The <code>append()</code> method is overloaded like <code>append(char)</code> , <code>append(boolean)</code> , <code>append(int)</code> , <code>append(float)</code> , <code>append(double)</code> etc.
<b>public synchronized StringBuilder</b>	<code>insert(int offset, String s)</code>	is used to insert the specified string with this string at the specified position. The <code>insert()</code> method is overloaded like <code>insert(int, char)</code> , <code>insert(int, boolean)</code> , <code>insert(int, int)</code> , <code>insert(int, float)</code> , <code>insert(int, double)</code> etc.
<b>public synchronized StringBuilder</b>	<code>replace(int startIndex, int endIndex, String str)</code>	is used to replace the string from specified <code>startIndex</code> and <code>endIndex</code> .
<b>public synchronized StringBuilder</b>	<code>delete(int startIndex, int endIndex)</code>	is used to delete the string from specified <code>startIndex</code> and <code>endIndex</code> .
<b>public synchronized StringBuilder</b>	<code>reverse()</code>	is used to reverse the string.
<b>public int</b>	<code>capacity()</code>	is used to return the current capacity.
<b>public void</b>	<code>ensureCapacity(int minimumCapacity)</code>	is used to ensure the capacity at least equal to the given minimum.
<b>public char</b>	<code>charAt(int index)</code>	is used to return the character at the specified position.

<b>public int</b>	length()	is used to return the length of the string i.e. total number of characters.
<b>public String</b>	substring(int beginIndex)	is used to return the substring from the specified beginIndex.
<b>public String</b>	substring(int beginIndex, int endIndex)	is used to return the substring from the specified beginIndex and endIndex.

## What is mutable string

A string that can be modified or changed is known as mutable string. `StringBuilder` and `StringBuffer` classes are used for creating mutable string.

### 1) `StringBuilder append()` method

The `append()` method concatenates the given argument with this string.

```
class StringBuilderExample{
    public static void main(String args[]){
        StringBuilder sb=new StringBuilder("Hello ");
        sb.append("Java");//now original string is changed
        System.out.println(sb);//prints Hello Java
    }
}
```

### 2) `StringBuilder insert()` method

The `insert()` method inserts the given string with this string at the given position.

```
class StringBuilderExample2{
    public static void main(String args[]){
        StringBuilder sb=new StringBuilder("Hello ");
        sb.insert(1,"Java");//now original string is changed
        System.out.println(sb);//prints HJavaello
    } }
```

### 3) **StringBuilder replace()** method

The replace() method replaces the given string from the specified beginIndex and endIndex.

```
class StringBuilderExample3{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        StringBuilder sb=new StringBuilder("Hello");  
        sb.replace(1,3,"Java");  
        System.out.println(sb);//prints HJavallo  
    }  
}
```

### 4) **StringBuilder delete()** method

The delete() method of StringBuilder class deletes the string from the specified beginIndex to endIndex.

```
class StringBuilderExample4{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        StringBuilder sb=new StringBuilder("Hello");  
        sb.delete(1,3);  
        System.out.println(sb);//prints Hlo  
    } }
```

### 5) **StringBuilder reverse()** method

The reverse() method of StringBuilder class reverses the current string.

```
class StringBuilderExample5{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        StringBuilder sb=new StringBuilder("Hello");  
        sb.reverse();  
        System.out.println(sb);//prints olleH  
    } }
```

## 6) StringBuilder capacity() method

The capacity() method of StringBuilder class returns the current capacity of the buffer. The default capacity of the buffer is 16. If the number of character increases from its current capacity, it increases the capacity by  $(oldcapacity * 2) + 2$ . For example if your current capacity is 16, it will be  $(16 * 2) + 2 = 34$ .

```
class StringBuilderExample6{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        StringBuilder sb=new StringBuilder();  
        System.out.println(sb.capacity()); //default 16  
        sb.append("Hello");  
        System.out.println(sb.capacity()); //now 16  
        sb.append("java is my favourite language");  
        System.out.println(sb.capacity()); //now  $(16 * 2) + 2 = 34$  i.e  $(oldcapacity * 2) + 2$   
    }  
}
```