

Practical 5: Classes for Processing Strings

- Q1. Write a method that finds the number of occurrences of a specified character in a string using the following header:

```
public static int countLetter(String str, char ch)
```

Write a test program that prompts the user to enter a word and a letter of the alphabet. The program should then count and display the number of occurrences of the letter in the word. A sample dialog for the program is shown below:

```
Enter a word: happy  
Enter the letter you want to count: p  
happy contains 2p
```

- Q2. Write a program that prompts the user to enter a string and then displays the string modified as follows:

- Convert all the characters in the string to uppercase
- Replace all the vowels with the lowercase letter 'x'

Here is a sample run of the program:

```
Enter a string: The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog  
Modified string: THx QxxCK BRxWN FxX JxMPS xVxR THx LxZY DxG
```

- Q3. Write a program that accepts a person name as a command line argument. The program must correct the capitalization of the name, extract the surname and display 2 lines of text. The first letter of each word must be a capital letter while the rest of the word should be lower case letters.

A sample run of the program is shown below:

```
C:\java Q5 pETER [RYAN] Robbin Mr  
  
To: Peter Ryan Robbin  
Wishing you a Merry Christmas, Mr Ryan.  
  
C:\java Q5 JOHN [SMITH] Mr  
  
To: John Smith  
Wishing you a Merry Christmas, Mr Smith.  
  
C:\java Q5 [Chee] ky li Ms  
  
To: Chee Ky Li  
Wishing you a Merry Christmas, Ms Chee.
```

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Q4. Some Websites impose certain rules for passwords. Write a method that checks whether a string is a valid password. Suppose the password rule is as follows:

- A password must have at least 7 characters.
- A password consists of only letters and digits.
- A password must contain at least one letter and at least one digit.

Write a program that prompts the user to enter a password and displays "Valid Password" if the rule is followed or "Invalid Password" otherwise.

Q5. Consider the following partial UML class diagram for the class **Student**:

Student
-studentID: String -name: String -school: String
+Student(studentID:String, name:String, school:String) +set and get methods <u>+validateStudentID(student: Student):boolean</u>

studentID is a string that consists of a letter representing the school followed by 5 digits. The codes used for the schools in this scenario are shown below:

School	Code	Example of student ID
FASC	'A'	"A12345" refers to a student from FASC.
FAFB	'B'	"B88888" refers to a student from FAFB.

Write the code for the method **validateStudentID(Student student)** such that it performs validations on the parameter's student ID to ensure that:

- the format is correct (*i.e.* the student ID consists of a letter followed by 5 digits) and
- the letter value corresponds to the student's school.