

Reverse String

- Take 2 pointers.
- 1 at start and other at last.
- Swap both.
- Increase start pointer.
- Decrease last pointer.
- Continue till first is less than last.

Reverse string

Write a function that reverses a string. The input string is given as an array of characters `s`.
You must do this by modifying the input array in-place with **O(1)** extra memory.

Examples

Example 1:

Input: `s = ["h","e","l","l","o"]`

Output: `["o","l","l","e","h"]`

Example 2:

Input: `s = ["H","a","n","n","a","h"]`

Output: `["h","a","n","n","a","H"]`

Constraints:

$1 \leq s.length \leq 10^5$

`s[i]` is a printable ASCII character.

Approach: Two-Pointer Swap

Use two pointers: one from the start (i) and one from the end ($j = \text{len} - i - 1$).

Swap characters at those indices.

Continue until the pointers meet or cross.

Dry Run:

Input: `s = ['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']`

Initial Setup: `len = 5`, `halfLen = Math.floor(5 / 2) = 2`

Loop from `i = 0` to `i < 2`

Step-by-step Execution:

i = 0:

`temp = s[0] = 'h'`

`s[0] = s[4] = 'o'`

`s[4] = temp = 'h'`

Result: `['o', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'h']`

i = 1:

`temp = s[1] = 'e'`

`s[1] = s[3] = 'l'`

`s[3] = temp = 'e'`

Result: `['o', 'l', 'l', 'e', 'h']`

Final Output: `['o', 'l', 'l', 'e', 'h']`

Time Complexity:

$O(n)$ — The loop runs $\text{floor}(n / 2)$ times, each doing a constant-time swap.

Space Complexity:

$O(1)$ — In-place reversal using one temporary variable.

JavaScript

C++

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Java

Python

```
var reverseString = function(s) {  
  let len = s.length;  
  let halfLen = Math.floor(len / 2);  
  
  for (let i = 0; i < halfLen; i++) {  
    let temp = s[i];  
    s[i] = s[len - i - 1];  
    s[len - i - 1] = temp;  
  }  
};
```

```
var reverseString = function (s) {  
  const n = s.length;  
  let l = 0;  
  let r = n - 1;  
  
  while (l < r) {  
    [s[l], s[r]] = [s[r], s[l]]; // JS Swapping  
    l++;  
    r--;  
  }  
};
```