

Agenda

- String
- StringBuffer
- StringBuilder
- Enum
- clone()
- ~~Garbage Collector~~
- ~~JVM Architecture~~
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Strings

- java.lang.Character is wrapper class that represents char.
- In Java, each char is 2 bytes because it follows unicode encoding.
- String is sequence of characters.
 - 1. java.lang.String: "Immutable" character sequence
 - 2. java.lang.StringBuffer: Mutable character sequence (Thread-safe)
 - 3. java.lang.StringBuilder: Mutable character sequence (Not Thread-safe)
- String helpers
 - 1. java.util.StringTokenizer: Helper class to split strings

String Class Object

- java.lang.String is class and strings in java are objects.
- String constants/literals are stored in string pool.
- String objects created using "new" operator are allocated on heap.
- In java, String is immutable. If try to modify, it creates a new String object on heap.

```
String name = "sunbeam"; // goes in string pool

String name2 = new String("Sunbeam"); // goes on heap
```

- Since strings are immutable, string constants are not allocated multiple times.
- String constants/literals are stored in string pool. Multiple references may refer the same object in the pool.
- String pool is also called as String literal pool or String constant pool.

StringBuffer and StringBuilder

- StringBuffer and StringBuilder are final classes declared in java.lang package.
- It is used create to mutable string instance.
- equals() and hashCode() method is not overridden inside it.
- Can create instances of these classes using new operator only. Objects are created on heap.
- StringBuffer implementation is thread safe while StringBuilder is not thread-safe.
- StringBuilder is introduced in Java 5.0 for better performance in single threaded applications.

String Tokenizer

- Used to break a string into multiple tokens - like split() method.
- Methods of java.util.StringTokenizer
 - boolean hasMoreTokens()
 - String nextToken()
 - String nextToken(String delim)

Enum

- In C enums were internally integers
- In java, It is a keyword added in java 5 and enums are object in java.
- used to make constants for code readability
- mostly used for switch cases
- In java, enums cannot be declared locally (within a method).
- The declared enum is converted into enum class.
- The enum type declared is implicitly inherited from java.lang.Enum class. So it cannot be extended from another class, but enum may implement interfaces.
- The enum constants declared in enum are public static final fields of generated class.
- Enum objects cannot be created explicitly (as generated constructor is private).
- The enums constants can be used in switch-case and can also be compared using == operator.
- The enum may have fields and methods.

```
public abstract class Enum<E> implements java.lang.Comparable<E>,
java.io.Serializable {
    private final String name;
    private final int ordinal;

    protected Enum(String,int); // sole constructor - can be called from
user-defined enum class only

    public final String name(); // name of enum const
    public final int ordinal(); // position of enum const (0-based)
    public String toString(); // returns name of const
    public final int compareTo(E); // compares with another enum of same
type on basis of ordinal number
    public static <T> T valueOf(Class<T>, String);
    // ...
}
```

```
// user-defined enum
enum ArithmeticOperations {
    ADDITION, SUBTRACTION, MULTIPLICATION, DIVISION
}

// generated enum code
final class ArithmeticOperations extends Enum {
```

```
private ArithmeticOperations(String name, int ordinal) {
    super(name, ordinal); // invoke sole constructor Enum(String,int);
}

public static ArithmeticOperations[] values() {
    return (ArithmeticOperations[]) $VALUES.clone();
}

public static ArithmeticOperations valueOf(String s) {
    return (ArithmeticOperations) Enum.valueOf(ArithmeticOperations, s);
}

public static final ArithmeticOperations ADDITION;
public static final ArithmeticOperations SUBTRACTION;
public static final ArithmeticOperations MULTIPLICATION;
public static final ArithmeticOperations DIVISION;
private static final ArithmeticOperations $VALUES[];

static {
    ADDITION = new ArithmeticOperations("ADDITION", 0);
    SUBTRACTION = new ArithmeticOperations("SUBTRACTION", 1);
    MULTIPLICATION = new ArithmeticOperations("MULTIPLICATION", 2);
    DIVISION = new ArithmeticOperations("DIVISION", 3);
    $VALUES = (new ArithmeticOperations[] {
        ADDITION, SUBTRACTION, MULTIPLICATION, DIVISION
    });
}
}
```

Clone method

- The clone() method is used to create a copy of an object in Java. - It's defined in the java.lang.Object class and is inherited by all classes in Java.
- It returns a shallow copy of the object on which it's called.

```
protected Object clone() throws CloneNotSupportedException
```

- This means that it creates a new object with the same field values as the original object, but the fields themselves are not cloned.
- If the fields are reference types, the new object will refer to the same objects as the original object.
- In order to use the clone() method, the class of the object being cloned must implement the Cloneable interface.
- This interface acts as a marker interface, indicating to the JVM that the class supports cloning.
- It's recommended to override the clone() method in the class being cloned to provide proper cloning behavior.
- The overridden method should call super.clone() to create the initial shallow copy, and then perform any necessary deep copying if required.

- The clone() method throws a CloneNotSupportedException if the class being cloned does not implement Cloneable, or if it's overridden to throw the exception explicitly.