# Chapter 5 - Core Java APIs

#### Create and manipulate Strings

• Strings are immutable - once created it can't change

```
1 String s1 = "1";
2 String s2 = s1.concat("2");
3 s2.concat("3");  // a new String will be created and will contain value "123", while s2 is immutable and equal system.out.println(s2);
```

- · String methods
  - o int length() returns the length of string
  - o char charAt(int index) returns a char at specific position.

```
int indexOf(int ch)

int indexOf(int ch, int fromIndex)

int indexOf(String str)

int indexOf(String str, int fromIndex)

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```

In takes an int because char can be passed around as int.

In case the char or string is not found, it will return -1.

```
1 String substring(int beginIndex)
2 String substring(int beginIndex, int endIndex)
```

in the first overload - it takes all characters till end.

when endIndex < beginIndex OR endIndex >= string.length()  $\rightarrow$  throw exception

beginIndex - is included, entIndex - is excluded. Ex: "abcd".substring(0,3) = "abc"

```
1 String toLowerCase()
2 String toUpperCase()
```

```
boolean equals(Object obj)
boolean equalsIgnoreCase(String str)
```

first takes an object as it come from Object class

```
1 boolean startsWith(String prefix)
2 boolean endsWith(String suffix)
```

```
1 String replace(char oldChar, char newChar)
2 String replace(CharSequence target, CharSequence replacement)
```

```
    boolean contains(CharSequence charSeq)
```

```
String trim() -> removes white spaces (space, \t, \n, \r) from beggining and end of string
String strip() -> same as trim() but support unicode e.g '\u2000'
String stripLeading() -> removes whitespaces from beggining
String stripTrailing() -> removes whitespaces from end
```

String intern() - if values is in the string pool → returns it from there, otherwise adds it to the pool

#### Manipulate data using StringBuilder

- StringBuilder is mutable and used in cases many String objects should be created.
- · Constructing StringBuilder

```
1 StringBuilder sb1 = new StringBuilder();  // empty sequence of characters
2 StringBuilder sb2 = new StringBuilder("animal");  // from a non-empty string
3 StringBuilder sb3 = new StringBuilder(10);  //creates it with a certaing capacity, number of slots, for ch
```

StringBuilder methods

```
1 charAt(), indexOf(), length(), and substring() - same as in String
```

- StringBuilder append(String str) ads the parameter to string builder
- StringBuilder insert(int offset, String str) adds characters to the StringBuilder at the requested index and returns a reference to the current StringBuilder

\*offset - index where we want to insert the requested parameter.

```
1 StringBuilder delete(int startIndex, int endIndex)
2 StringBuilder deleteCharAt(int index)
```

startIndex - included, endIndex - excluded.

if endIndex >= stringBuilder.length() → does not throw exception

StringBuilder replace(int startIndex, int endIndex, String newString)
 startIndex - included, endIndex - excluded.
 if endIndex >= stringBuilder.length() → does not throw exception

- StringBuilder reverse()
- o String toString()

# **Understanding equality**

- = checks reference
- · .equals in case implemented, check the content for equality
- In case you are wondering, the authors of StringBuilder did not implement equals(). If you call equals() on two StringBuilder instances, it will check reference equality.

## String pool

- The *string pool*, also known as the intern pool, is a location in the Java virtual machine (JVM) that collects all these strings. Java realizes that many strings repeat in the program and solves this issue by reusing common ones.
- The string pool contains literal values and constants that appear in your program. For example, "name" is a literal and therefore goes into the string pool. my0bject.toString() is a string but not a literal, so it does not go into the string pool.

```
1 String x = "Hello World";
2 String z = " Hello World".trim();
3 System.out.println(x == z); // false
```

They are not the same at compile-time, a new String object is created

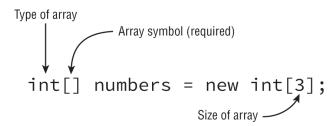
```
1 String x = "Hello World";
2 String y = new String("Hello World");
3 System.out.println(x == y); // false
```

It says "No, JVM, I really don't want you to use the string pool. Please create a new object for me even though it is less efficient."

```
1 String name = "Hello World";
2 String name2 = new String("Hello World").intern();
3 System.out.println(name == name2); // true
```

You can also do the opposite and tell Java to use the string pool. The intern() method will use an object in the string pool if one is present. If the literal is not yet in the string pool, Java will add it at this time.

#### Java arrays



- When you use this form to instantiate an array, all elements are set to the default value for that type.
- int[] numbers2 = new int[] {42, 55, 99}; = int[] numbers2 = {42, 55, 99};
- · Arrays can also be casted

```
1 3: String[] strings = { "stringValue" };
2 4: Object[] objects = strings;
3 5: String[] againStrings = (String[]) objects;
4 6: againStrings[0] = new StringBuilder(); // DOES NOT COMPILE
5 7: objects[0] = new StringBuilder(); // careful!
```

- Sorting: Arrays.sort(stringArray)
- Searching
  - o Only when array sorted
  - ∘ If found → returns index
  - o If not found → -1 (negative of were the number should have been) e.g Arrays.binarySearch(new int[] {2,4,6,8), 7) = -4
  - $\circ \ \ \text{If not sorted} \ \to \ \text{undefined response}$
- Comparing
  - Negative nr → first array smaller
  - Zero → equal arrays
  - o Positive → first array greater

- o If both arrays are the same length and have the same values in each spot in the same order, return zero.
- o If all the elements are the same but the second array has extra elements at the end, return a negative number.
- o If all the elements are the same but the first array has extra elements at the end, return a positive number.
- If the first element that differs is smaller in the first array, return a negative number.
- o If the first element that differs is larger in the first array, return a positive number.
- o null is smaller than any other value.
- For numbers, normal numeric order applies.
- o For strings, one is smaller if it is a prefix of another.
- o For strings/characters, numbers are smaller than letters.
- For strings/characters, uppercase is smaller than lowercase.
- o can't compare arrays with different type
- Mismatch
  - o If the arrays are equal, mismatch() returns -1. Otherwise, it returns the first index where they differ.
- Varargs
  - o public static void main(String... args) // varargs

#### Multidimensional array

• You have to know how many elements will be in the array when you create it

#### ArrayList

```
1 ArrayList list1 = new ArrayList();
2 ArrayList list2 = new ArrayList(10);
3 ArrayList list3 = new ArrayList(list2);
4 ArrayList<String> list5 = new ArrayList<>();
5 var list = new ArrayList<>(); // compiles, var in this case is of type ArrayList<0bject>
6 List<String> list6 = new ArrayList<>();
```

Methods

```
boolean add(E element)
void add(int index, E element)

boolean remove(Object object)
```

```
o E set(int index, E newElement)
```

2 E remove(int index)

- boolean isEmpty()
  int size()
- void clear()
- o boolean contains(Object object)
- o boolean equals(Object object)

#### **Wrapper Classes**

Boolean	Boolean.parseBoolean("true")	Boolean.valueOf("TRUE")
Byte	Byte.parseByte("1")	Byte.valueOf("2")
Short	Short.parseShort("1")	Short.valueOf("2")
Integer	Integer.parseInt("1")	Integer.valueOf("2")
Long	Long.parseLong("1")	Long.valueOf("2")
Float	Float.parseFloat("1")	Float.valueOf("2.2")
Double	Double.parseDouble("1")	Double.valueOf("2.2")
Character	None	None

# **Autoboxing and Unboxing**

- Unboxing a null returns NullPointerException
- Be careful when dealing with autoboxing e.g IntegerList.remove(1) removes the value at index 1 instead of Integer with value 1.

# Converting between Array and List

- list.toArray() defaults to array of Objects
   list.toArray(new String[0]) by specifying the type, list is converted to an array of that type
- By converting from list to array, they are not linked, array is a new object created.
- Arrays.asList(array) creates a lists that is linked to the array. By changing array we also changing the list. It is a fixed-size list (trying to remove objects will throw exception) and is also known as a backed List because the array changes with it.

#### Using varargs to create a list

• Creates a fixed-size arrays

	toArray()	Arrays.asList()	List.of()
Type converting from	List	Array (or varargs)	Array (or varargs)
Type created	Array	List	List
Allowed to remove values from created object	No	No	No
Allowed to change values in the created object	Yes	Yes	No
Changing values in the created object affects the original or vice versa.	No	Yes	N/A

#### **Creating Sets and Maps**

• Adding an element that exists in Set, the add method will return false

• Map methods

Method	Description
V get(Object key)	Returns the value mapped by key or null if none is mapped
V getOrDefault(Object key, V other)	Returns the value mapped by key or other if none is mapped
V put(K key, V value)	Adds or replaces key/value pair. Returns previous value or null
V remove(Object key)	Removes and returns value mapped to key. Returns null if none
boolean containsKey(Object key)	Returns whether key is in map
boolean containsValue(Object value)	Returns whether value is in map
Set <k> keySet()</k>	Returns set of all keys
Collection <v> values()</v>	Returns collection of all values

## **Math APIs**

• Min/Max

```
1 double min(double a, double b)
2 float min(float a, float b)
3 int min(int a, int b)
4 long min(long a, long b)
```

## max is same

```
1 long round(double num)
2 int round(float num)
```

- double pow(double number, double exponent)
- double random()