

Strings

Final Project Example



How would you make this?
Take a deep breath...



Final Project Example

```
public class SpaceInvaders extends GraphicsProgram {  
  
    private ArrayList<GOval> aliens;  
    private GRect paddle;  
  
    public void run() {  
        // create objects and scores  
        // add() to canvas  
        setupGame();  
  
        while (!gameOver()) {  
            animateObjects();  
            pause(100);  
        }  
    }  
  
    private boolean keyPressed() { ... }  
    private boolean mousePressed() { ... }  
}
```



Animate

Interact

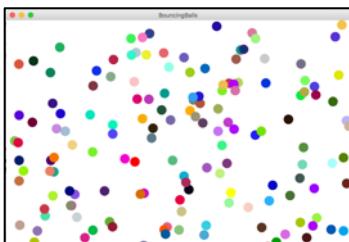
Start with a high-level look.

Final Project Example

Animate

On every animation:

- Aliens move

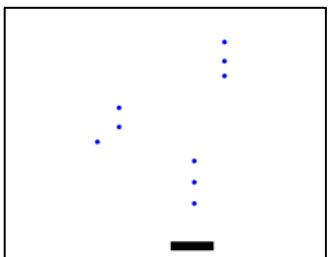


Bouncing
Balls



Racing
Cars

- Torpedos move



Rocket
Paddle

Interact

← Key pressed:

- move ship left

→ Key pressed:

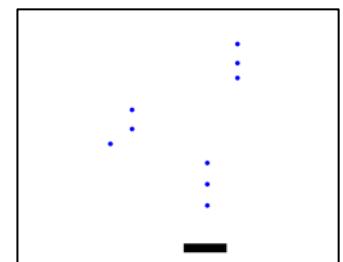
- move ship right



Keyboard
Karel

Mouse pressed:

- Add torpedo



Rocket Paddle



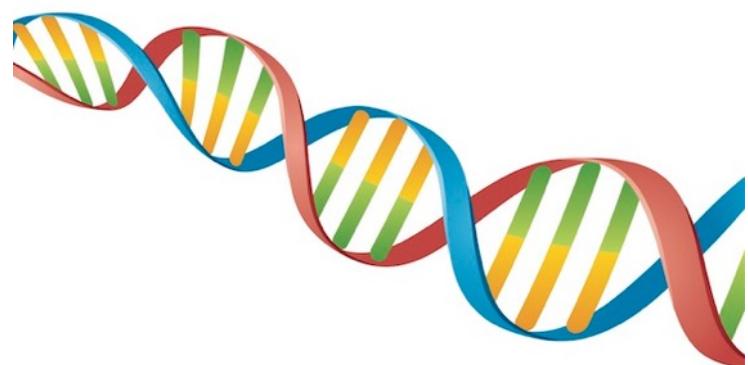
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Learning Goals

1. Understand chars and Strings
2. Write methods acting on Strings
3. Learn something interesting



Text Applications



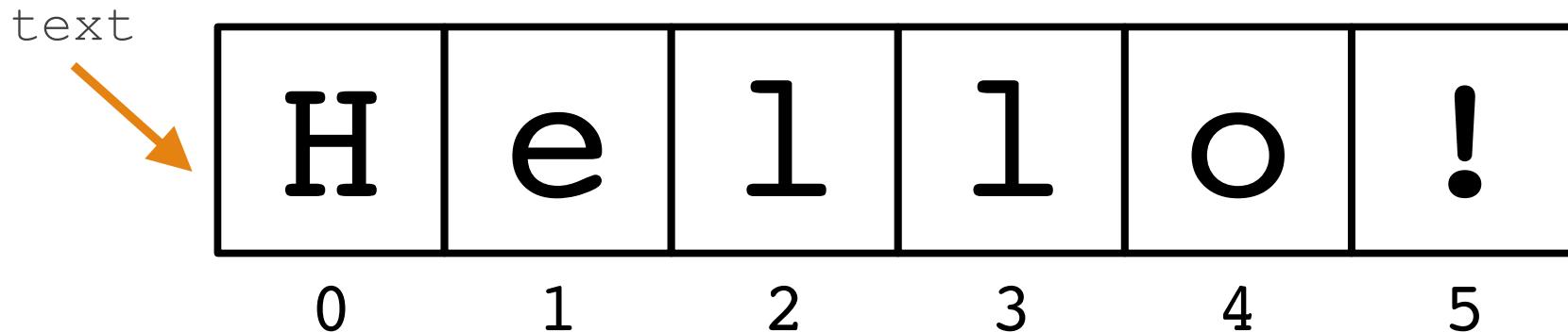
How is text
represented?

The variable type **String**

Text is stored using the variable type **String**.
A **String** is a sequence of characters.

```
public void run() {  
    String text = "hello!";  
    println(text);  
}
```

The variable type String



- All characters in a string have an *index*.
- You can access a character in the string via its *index*.

```
char c = text.charAt(index);
```

- The *length* of a string is one larger than the last valid index in the string.

```
int len = text.length(); // 6
```

What String actually is

String str



char [] charArray



Data storage

`str.length();`
`str.charAt(i);`
`str.split(str);`
`str.contains(str);`

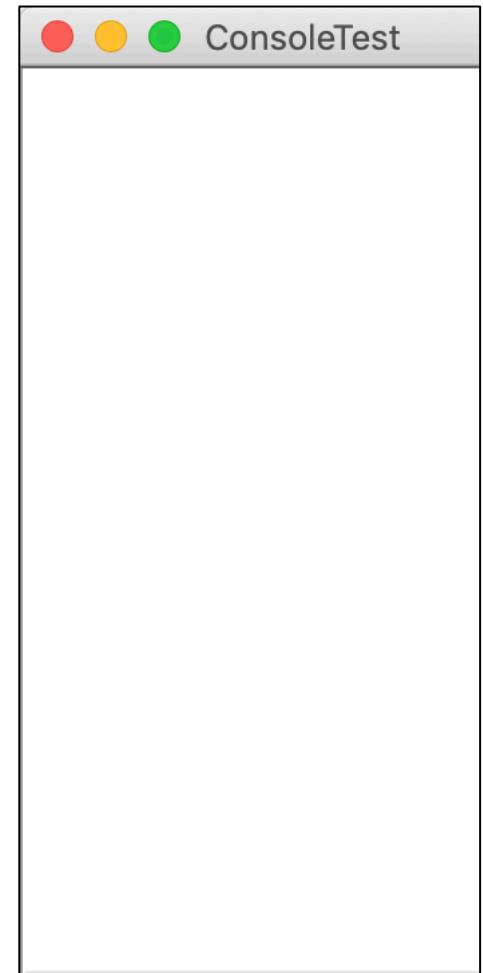
Useful methods

Why do both of these exist in the Java language?

- **char** [] builds off Java's fundamental data storage
- String adds convenient methods to **char** []

String Methods

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    int length = example.length();  
    println(length);  
  
    char firstLetter = example.charAt(0);  
    println(firstLetter);  
  
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        println(ch);  
    }  
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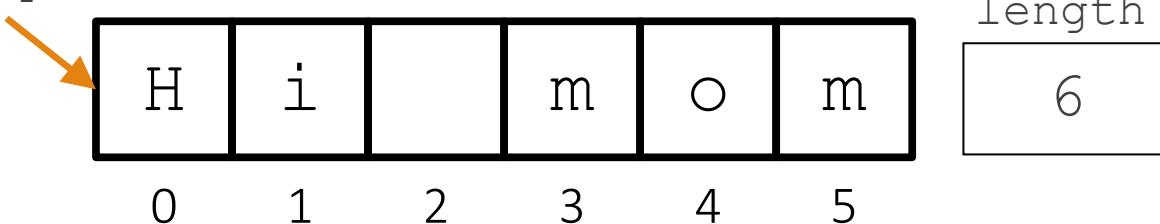
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ConsoleTest

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example



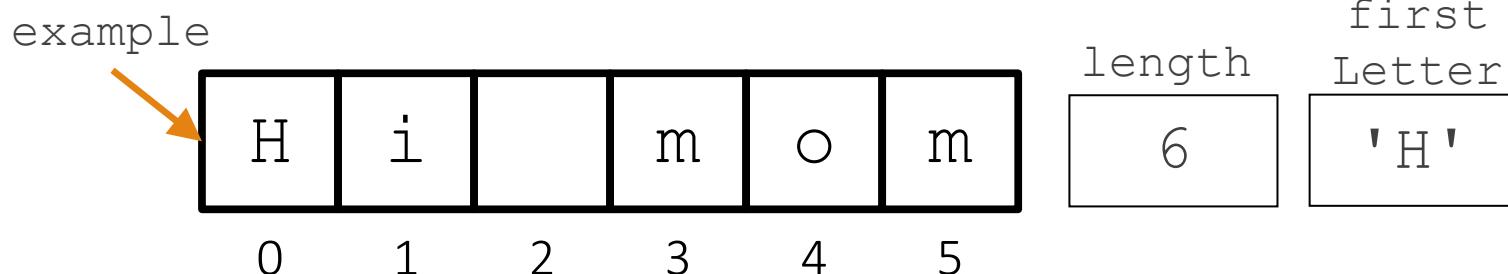
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ConsoleTest

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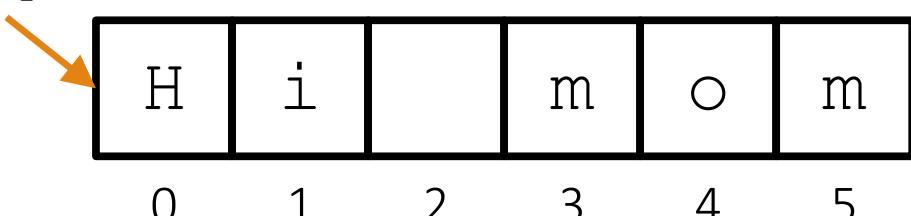
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ConsoleTest

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example



length

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first
Letter

'H'

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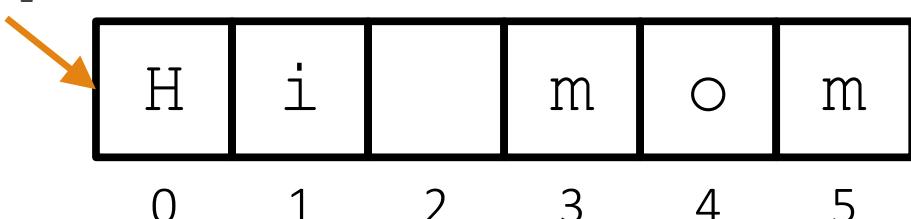
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ConsoleTest

6
H
H
i

example



length

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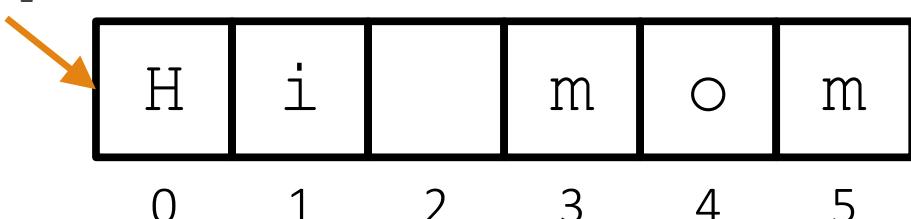
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ConsoleTest

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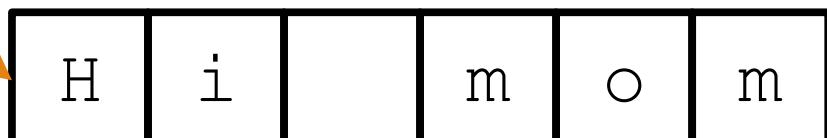
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ConsoleTest

6
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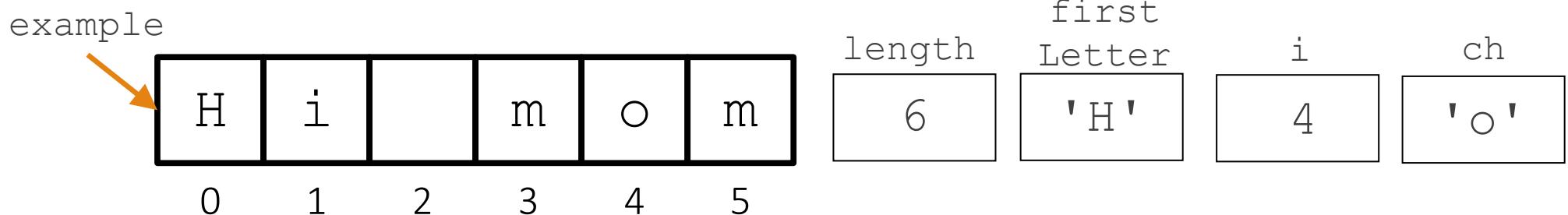
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ConsoleTest

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String Methods

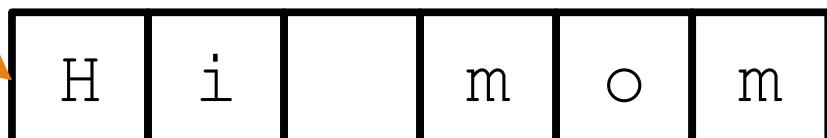
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ConsoleTest

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example



0 1 2 3 4 5

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first
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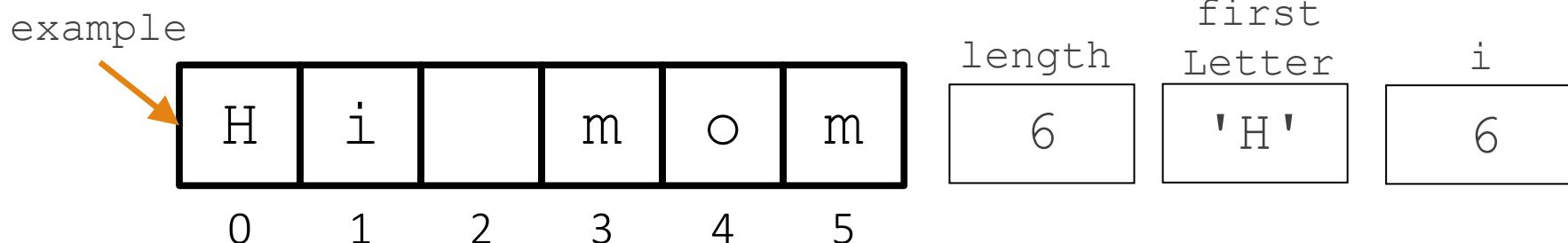
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ConsoleTest

6
H
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How are characters
represented?

The variable type `char`

The primitive type **char** represents a single character or glyph.

Some examples:

```
char letterA = 'A';
char plus     = '+';
char zero    = '0';
char space   = ' ';
char newLine = '\n'; // special
char first   = text.charAt(0);
```

ASCII

Code	Char	Code	Char	Code	Char	Code	Char	Code	Char	Code	Char
32	[space]	48	0	64	@	80	P	96	~	112	p
33	!	49	1	65	A	81	Q	97	a	113	q
34	"	50	2	66	B	82	R	98	b	114	r
35	#	51	3	67	C	83	S	99	c	115	s
36	\$	52	4	68	D	84	T	100	d	116	t
37	%	53	5	69	E	85	U	101	e	117	u
38	&	54	6	70	F	86	V	102	f	118	v
39	'	55	7	71	G	87	W	103	g	119	w
40	(56	8	72	H	88	X	104	h	120	x
41)	57	9	73	I	89	Y	105	i	121	y
42	*	58	:	74	J	90	Z	106	j	122	z
43	+	59	:	75	K	91	[107	k	123	{
44	,	60	<	76	L	92	\	108	l	124	-
45	-	61	=	77	M	93]	109	m	125	}
46	.	62	>	78	N	94	^	110	n	126	~
47	/	63	?	79	O	95	_	111	o	127	[backspace]

* This is only the first half of the table

The letter A, for example, has the ASCII value 65



'A' → 'z' are sequential.
'a' → 'z' are sequential.
'0' → '9' are sequential.

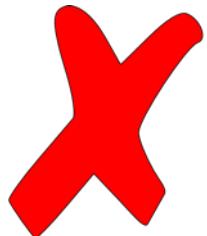
Useful Character methods

```
public void run() {  
    String str = readLine("Line: ");  
  
    char ch = str.charAt(0);  
    println("Original first char: " + ch);  
  
    ch = Character.toUpperCase(ch);  
    println("Uppercase first char: " + ch);  
  
    if (Character.isLetter(ch)) {  
        println("It's a letter!");  
    }  
}
```

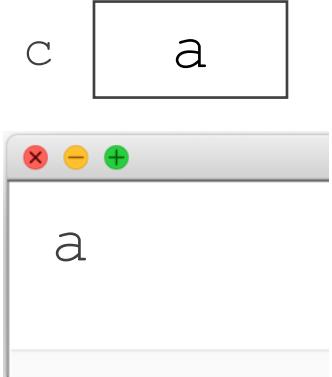
● ● ● UsefulCharacterMethods

Line: hello, world!
Original first char: h
Uppercase first char: H
It's a letter!

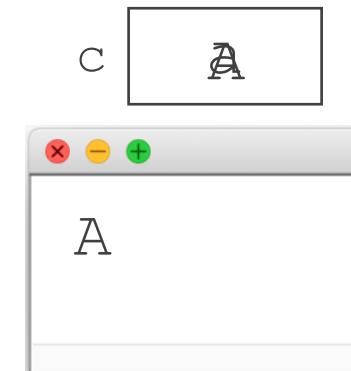
Stay alert!



```
char ch = 'a';  
Character.toUpperCase(ch);  
println(ch);
```



```
char ch = 'a';  
ch = Character.toUpperCase(ch);  
println(ch);
```



Useful Character methods

static boolean isDigit(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a digit.

static boolean isLetter(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a letter.

static boolean isLetterOrDigit(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a letter or a digit.

static boolean isLowerCase(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a lowercase letter.

static boolean isUpperCase(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is an uppercase letter.

static boolean isWhitespace(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is whitespace (spaces and tabs).

static char toLowerCase(char ch)

Converts **ch** to its lowercase equivalent, if any. If not, **ch** is returned unchanged.

static char toUpperCase(char ch)

Converts **ch** to its uppercase equivalent, if any. If not, **ch** is returned unchanged.

Strings have some unique properties

Strings are Immutable

- Java strings are *immutable*: once a string has been created you cannot set characters.
- To change a string:
 - *Create a new string* holding the new value you want it to have via concatenation (+).
 - Reassigning the **String** variable (that's allowed).
- *Important consequence*: if you pass a **String** into a method, that method cannot modify that string.

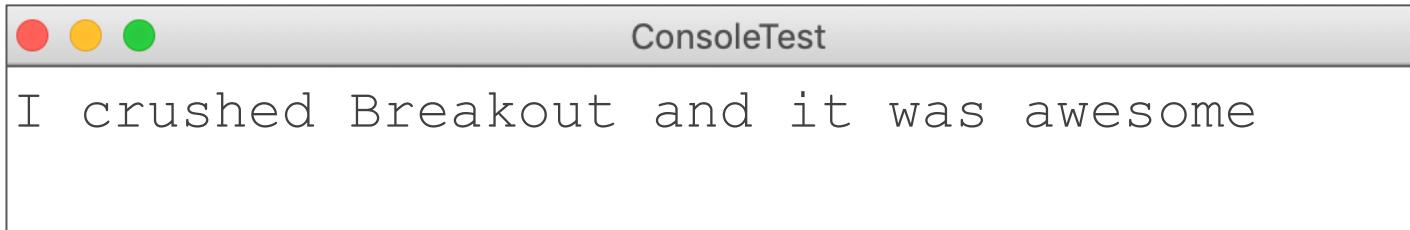
Strings are often made through concatenation

```
public void run() {  
    String s1 = "Breakout";  
    String s2 = "it was awesome";  
    String s3 = "I crushed " + s1 + " and " + s2;  
  
    println(s3);  
}
```

s1 → "Breakout"

s2 → "it was awesome"

s3 → "I crushed Breakout and it was awesome"



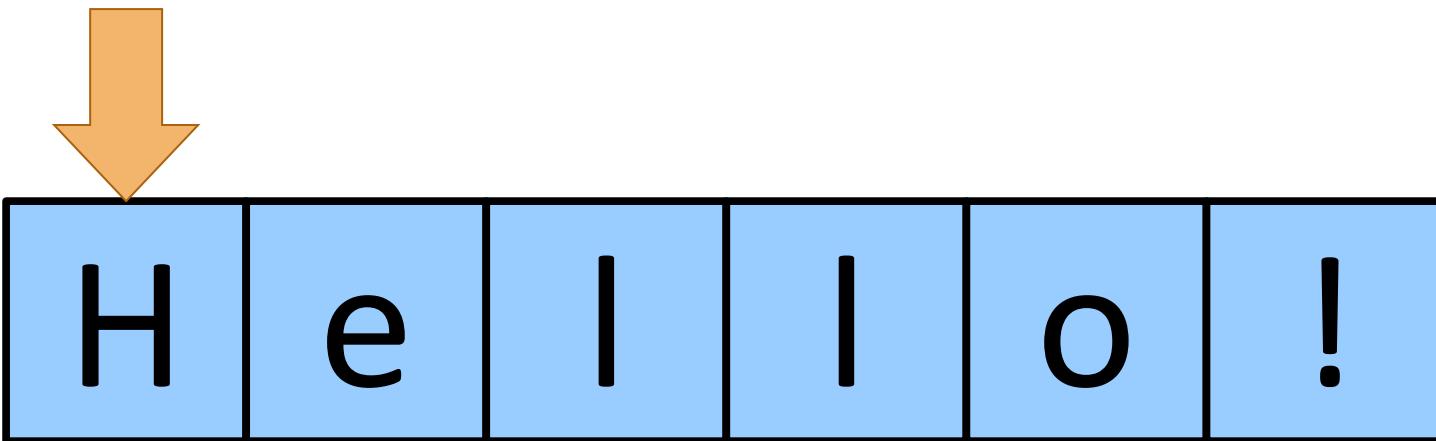
Reversing a String



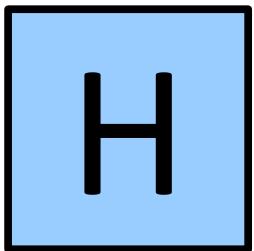
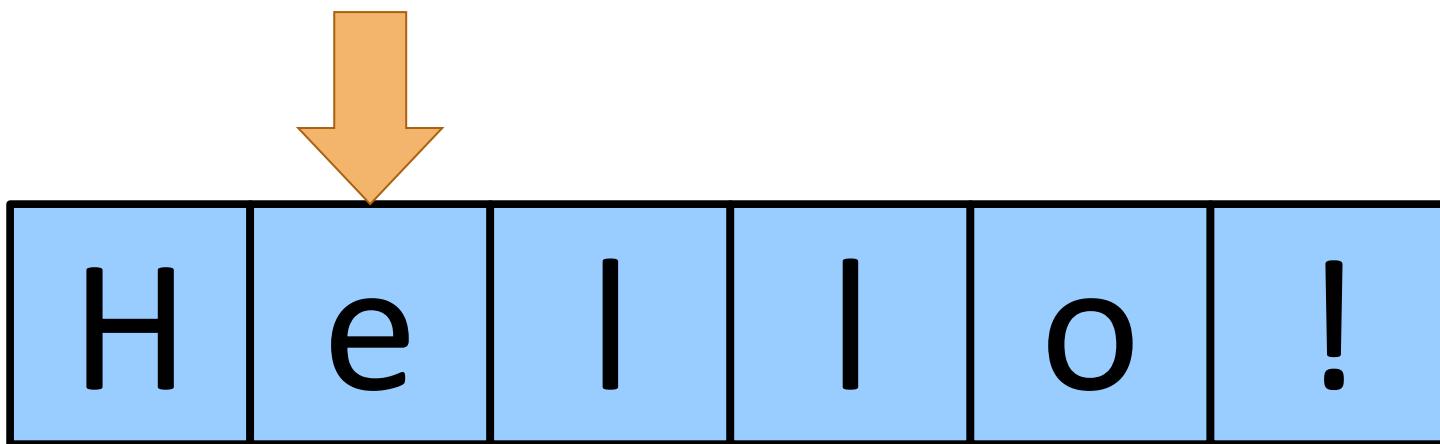
Many string algorithms use
the “loop and construct”
pattern.



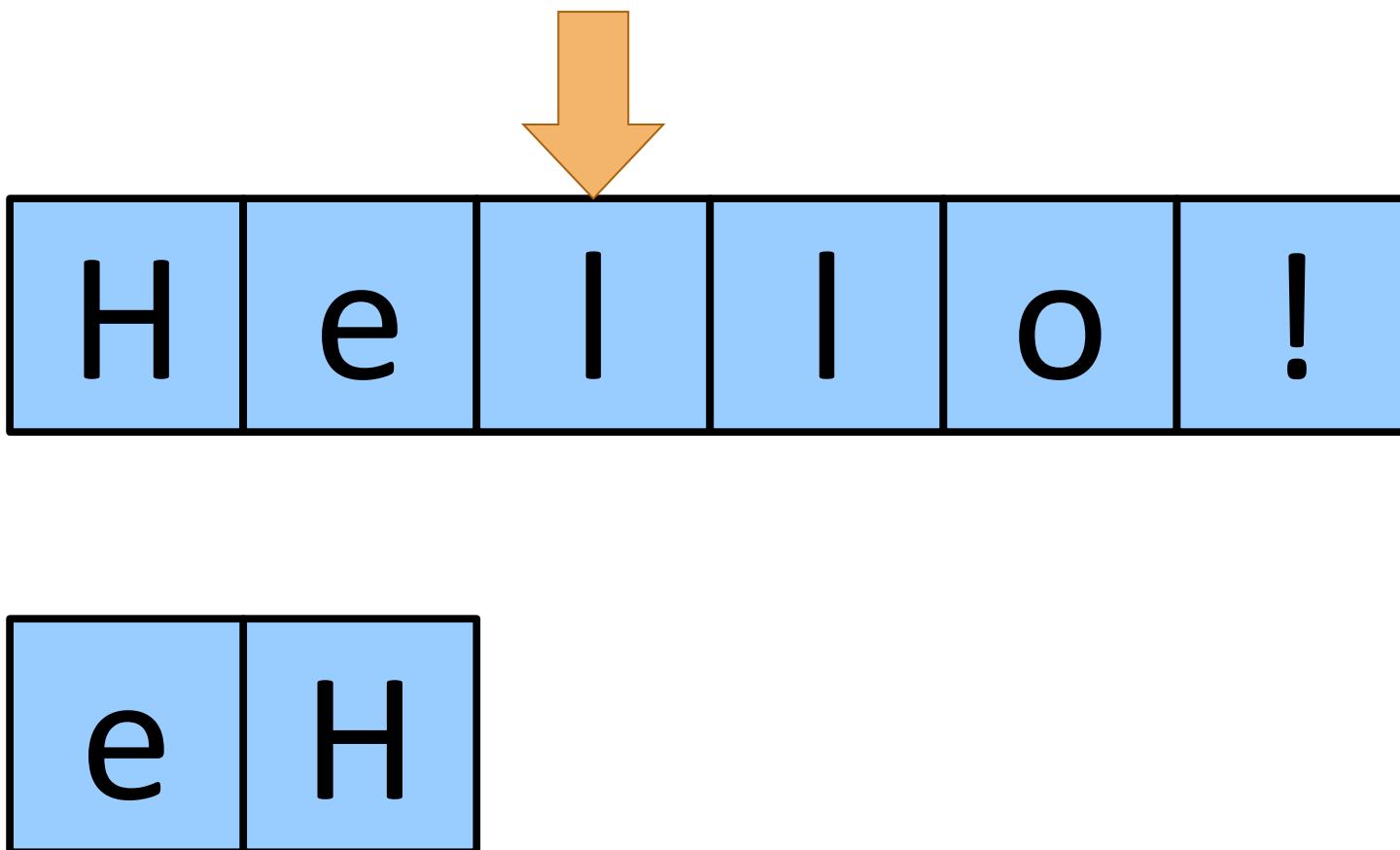
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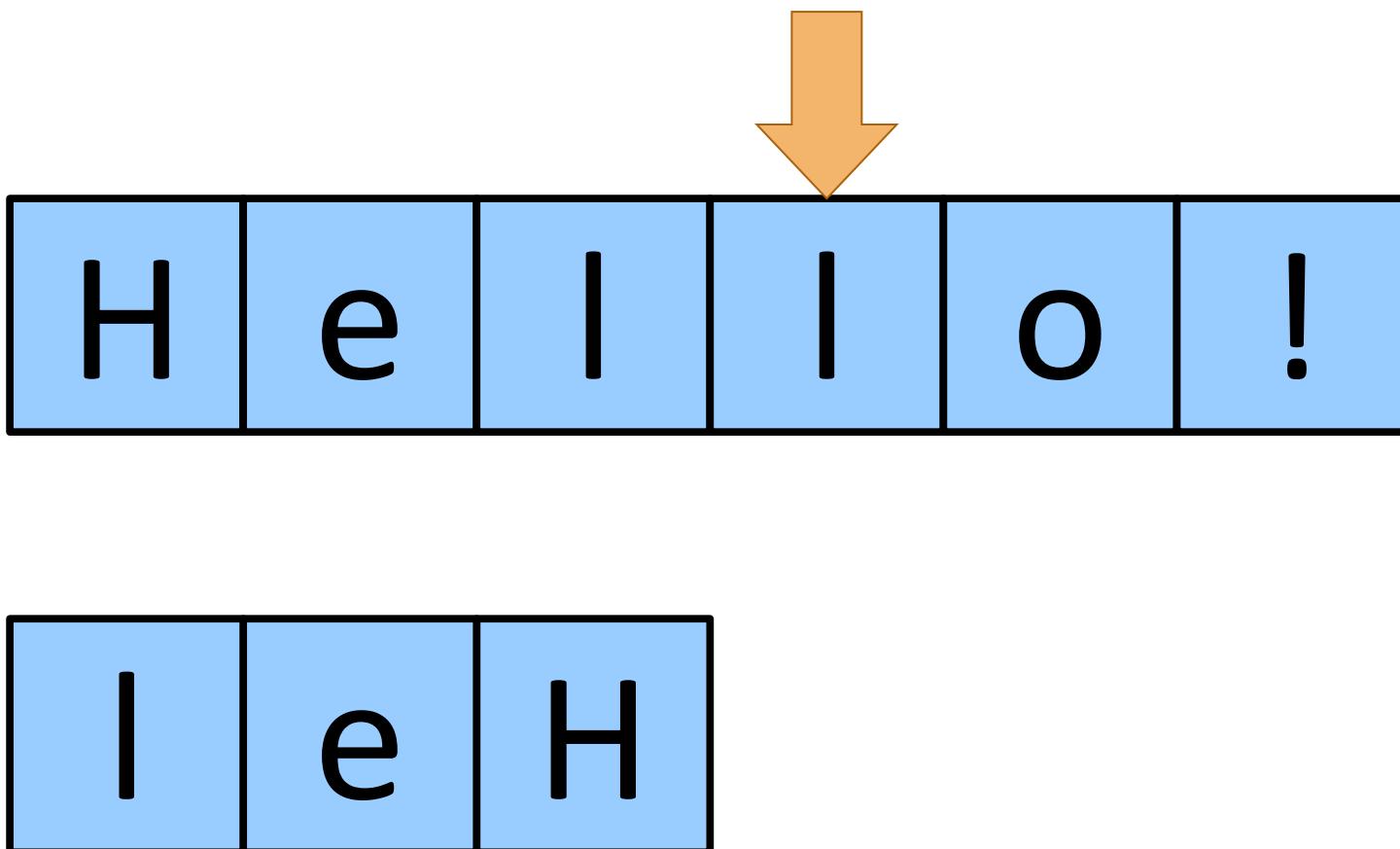
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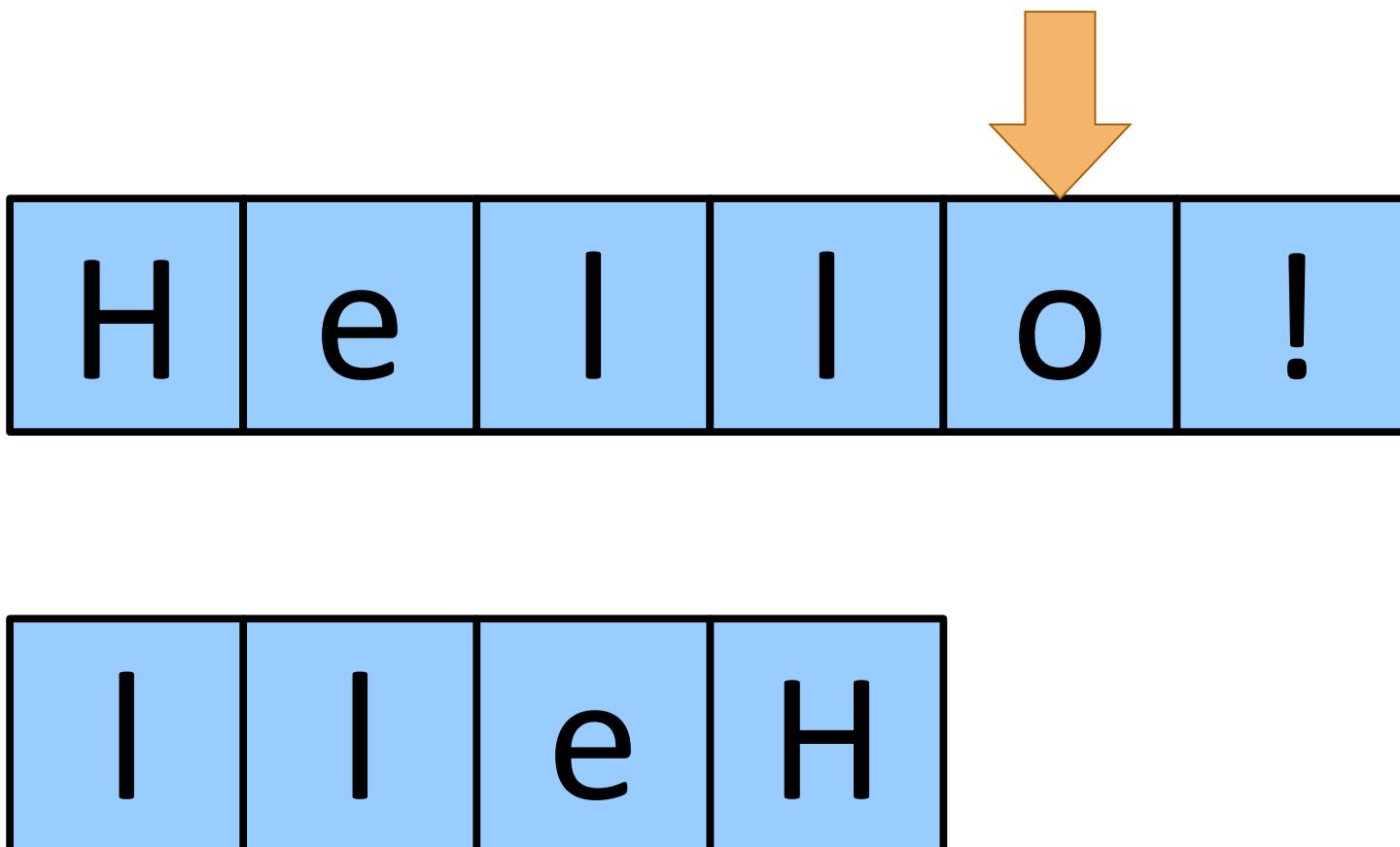
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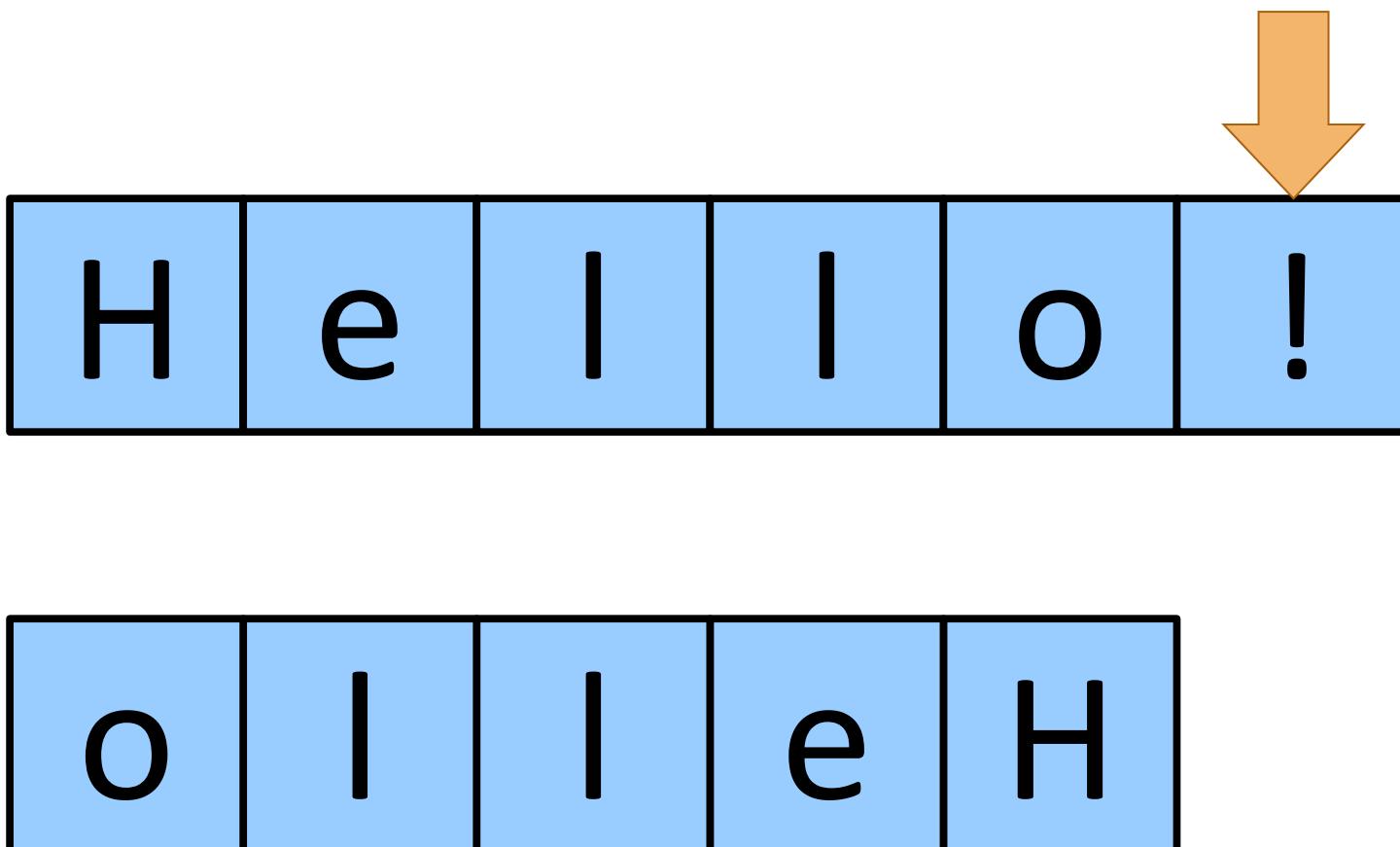
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Reversing a String



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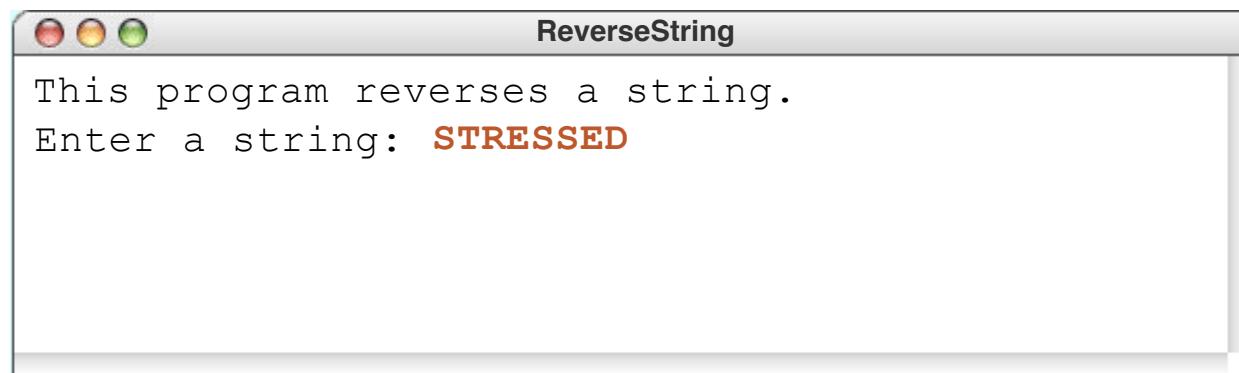
reverseString

```
public void run() {  
    println("This program reverses a string.");  
    String str = readLine("Enter a string: ");  
    String rev = reverseString(str);  
    println(str + " spelled backwards is " + rev);  
}
```

rev

str

STRESSED



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reverseString

```
public void run() {  
  
    private String reverseString(String str) {  
        String result = "";  
        for (int i = 0; i < str.length(); i++) {  
            result = str.charAt(i) + result;  
        }  
        return result;  
    }  
}
```

result

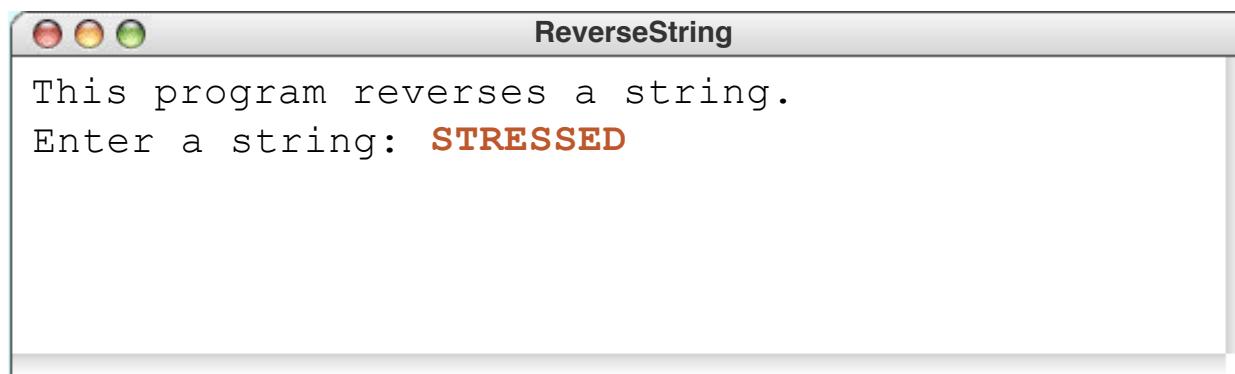
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reverseString

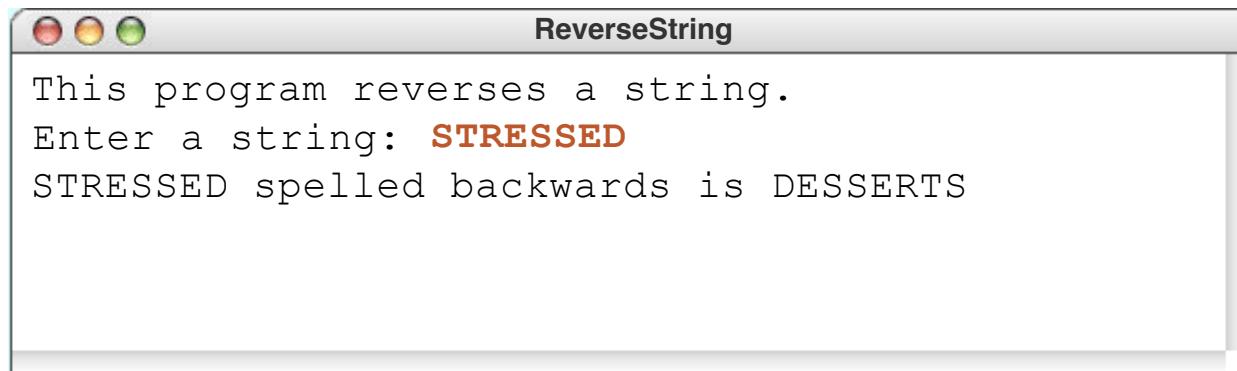
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Palindrome

A **palindrome** is a string that reads the same forwards and backwards.

For example:

- racecar
- kayak
- Mr. Owl ate my metal worm.
- Go hang a salami! I'm a lasagna hog.
- küçük
- Ey Edip, Adana'da pide ye.

How would we use `reverseString()` to check if a word is a palindrome?

```
private String reverseString(String str) {  
    String result = "";  
    for ( int i = 0; i < str.length(); i++ ) {  
        result = str.charAt(i) + result;  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```



Let's Code it!

Equality



```
private boolean isPalindrome(String original) {  
    String reversed = reverseString(original);  
    return reversed == original;  
}
```



```
private boolean isPalindrome(String original) {  
    String reversed = reverseString(original);  
    return reversed.equals(original);  
}
```

Use str1.equals(str2) to
compare strings, not str1 == str2



Some test cases

- Let's test our program on some examples:
 - racecar
 - kayak
 - go hang a salami! i'm a lasagna hog.
 - Ey Edip, Adana'da pide ye.
- Will it work?

```
private boolean isPalindrome(String original) {  
    String reversed = reverseString(original);  
    return reversed.equals(original);  
}
```

More Palindromes

Here are some palindromes in other languages:

- **여보, 안경 안보여** (Honey, I can't see my glasses)
- **上海自來水來自海上** (Shanghai tap water originates from "above" the ocean)
- **কড়ক** (a loud thunderous sound)
- **بلح تعلق تحت قلعة حلب** (Dates hang underneath a castle in Halab)

The comedian Dmitri Martin also has a routine about palindromes; check it out at
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0hUHDIOazIU>

Useful String methods

Useful String methods

int length()

Returns the length of the string

char charAt(int index)

Returns the character at the specified index. Note: Strings indexed starting at 0.

String substring(int p1, int p2)

Returns the substring beginning at **p1** and extending up to but not including **p2**

String substring(int p1)

Returns substring beginning at **p1** and extending through end of string.

boolean equals(String s2)

Returns true if string **s2** is equal to the receiver string. This is case sensitive.

int compareTo(String s2)

Returns integer whose sign indicates how strings compare in lexicographic order

int indexOf(char ch) or int indexOf(String s)

Returns index of first occurrence of the character or the string, or -1 if not found

String toLowerCase() or String toUpperCase()

Returns a lowercase or uppercase version of the receiver string

Useful String Methods

```
String original = "How now brown cow";
```

```
// replace all occurrences of " " with "!"
```

```
String replaced = original.replaceAll(" ", "!");
println(replaced);
```

"How!now!brown!cow"

```
// returns true if original contains the string "cow"
```

```
println(original.contains("cow"));
```

true

```
// String → String[], split on spaces " "
```

```
String[] strArray = original.split(" ");
```

```
for(int i = 0; i < strArray.length; i++) {
```

```
    println(strArray[i]);
```

```
}
```

{"How", "now",
"brown", "cow"}

```
// String[] → String, joined by "@"
```

```
String concatenated = String.join("@", strArray);
```

```
println(concatenated); // How@now@brown@cow
```

"How@now@brown@cow"

The Caesar Cipher



Julius Caesar
Jüл Sezar

The Caesar Cipher

```
CaesarCipher
This program uses a Caesar cipher for encryption.
Enter encryption key: 3
Plaintext: ET TU BRUTE
Ciphertext: HW WX EUXWH
```

Encrypt: shift by key = 3

```
CaesarCipher
This program uses a Caesar cipher for encryption.
Enter encryption key: -3
Plaintext: HW WX EUXWH
Ciphertext: ET TU BRUTE
```

Decrypt: shift by key = -3

English
alphabet ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
(26 letters)



How the cipher works

ASCII uppercase:	65	66	67	68	69	70	...	87	88	89	90
	A	B	C	D	E	F	...	W	X	Y	Z
Shifted by key=3	68	69	70	71	72	73	...	90	65	66	67
	D	E	F	G	H	I	...	Z	A	B	C

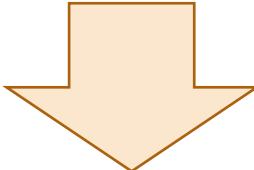
```
char ch = 'A';
char chShift = ch + 3;
println("plain : " + ch);
println("cipher: " + chShift);
```

Type mismatch:
cannot convert
from int to
char



Java autoconverts **char** to **int**!!

How the cipher works

ASCII uppercase:	65	66	67	68	69	70	...	87	88	89	90
	A	B	C	D	E	F	...	W	X	Y	Z
											
											Cipher key=3
Shifted by key=3	68	69	70	71	72	73	...	90	65	66	67
	D	E	F	G	H	I	...	Z	A	B	C

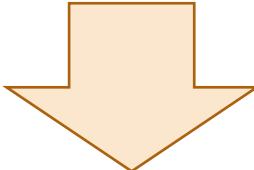
```
char ch = 'A';
int chIntShift = ch + key;
char chShift = (char) chIntShift;
println("plain: " + ch);
println("ASCII: " + (int) ch);
println("cipher: " + chShift);
```

ConsoleTest

plain: A
ASCII: 65
cipher: D

Java autoconverts **char** to **int**!!

How the cipher works

ASCII	65	66	67	68	69	70	...	87	88	89	90
uppercase:	A	B	C	D	E	F	...	W	X	Y	Z
											
										Cipher key=3	
Shifted by key=3	68	69	70	71	72	73	...	90	65	66	67
	D	E	F	G	H	I	...	Z	A	B	C

```
char ch = 'Y';
int chIntShift = ch + key;
char chShift = (char) chIntShift;
println("plain: " + ch);
println("cipher: " + chShift);
```

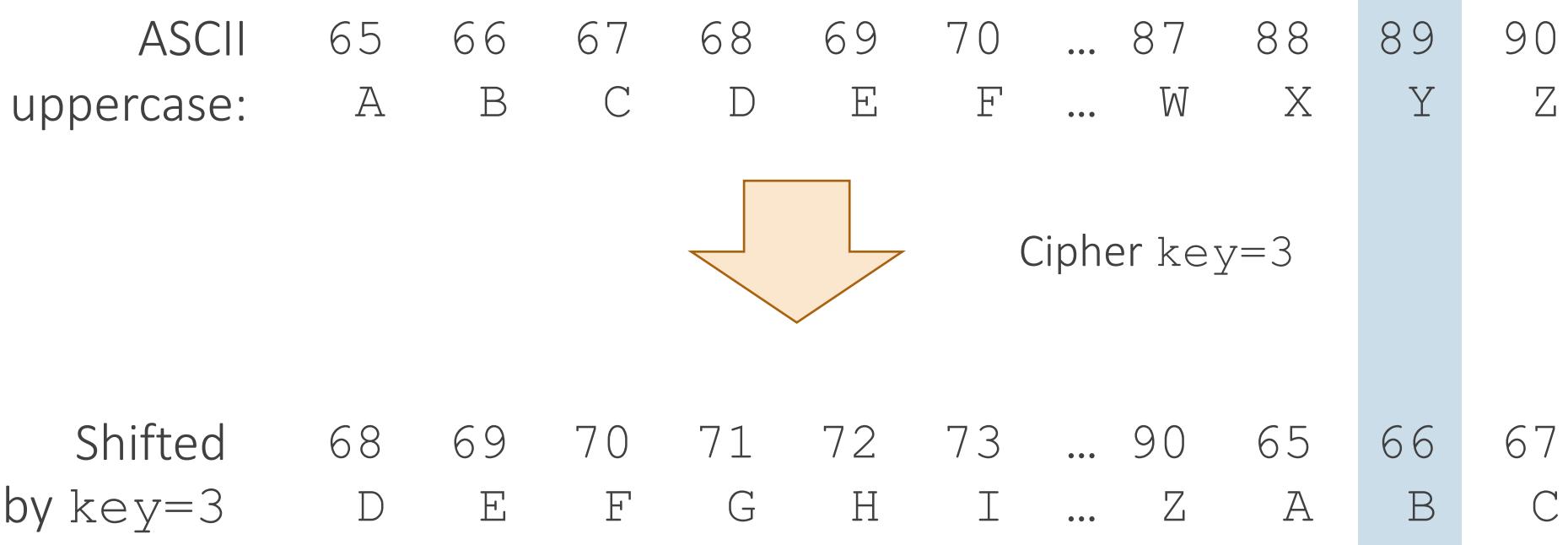
ConsoleTest

plain: Y

cipher: \ ASCII 92



How the cipher works



```
char ch = 'Y';
int chIntShift = ch + key;
if(chIntShift > 90) { chIntShift -= 26; }
char chShift = (char) chIntShift;
println("plain : " + ch);
println("cipher: " + chShift);
```

ConsoleTest

●	●	●
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plain: Y
cipher: B

ASCII

66: 92-26

How the cipher works

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Remember me?

```
int chIntShift = 'A' + (ch - 'A' + key) % 26;  
char chShift = (char) chIntShift;
```

$$'Y' - 'A' = 89 - 65 = 24$$

$$'Y' - 'A' + \text{key} = 24 + 3 = 27$$

$$('Y' - 'A' + \text{key}) \% 26 = 1$$

$$'A' + ('Y' - 'A' + \text{key}) \% 26 = 66$$

ASCII	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	...	88	89	90
uppercase:	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	...	X	Y	Z

Allowing all ASCII symbols

ASCII	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	...	88	89	90
uppercase:	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	...	X	Y	Z

ASCII	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	...	120	121	122
lowercase:	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	...	x	y	z

```
if (Character.isUpperCase(ch)) {
    // shift by key
    // ensure resulting ASCII is between 65 and 90
} else if (Character.isLowerCase(ch)) {
    // shift by key
    // ensure resulting ASCII is between 97 and 122
} else {
    // do nothing
}
```

Learning Goals

1. Understand chars and Strings
2. Write methods acting on Strings
3. Learn something interesting



Your goals today

(1) Array exercise: MinMaxMean
(+ ArrayList exercises)

**Submit by end of Lab 2,
even if you are not done**

(2) Final Project (start by Lab 3)

Console/Graphics,
Games/Stories,
Puzzles/Adventures,
Math/Medicine/Science,
...The ArrayList goes on!

Due by 6pm tomorrow

