

regexs

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In [14]: "Astrium limited".replaceAll("Limited", "")
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Out[14]: Astrium limited
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In [4]: // if we want to work it on either upper or lower case, we can to transform  
"Astrium Limited".toLowerCase().replaceAll("limited", "")
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Out[4]: "astrium "
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In [6]: // or, if we don't want to loose the upper case information ('A' from 'Astrium')  
// we can specify (?i) in the regex to match on either upper or lower case.  
"Astrium Limited".replaceAll("(?i)limited", "")
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Out[6]: "Astrium "
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In [7]: // this does not take into account entire words, so Limited is also removed  
"AstriumLimited".replaceAll("(?i)limited", "")
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Out[7]: Astrium
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In [1]: // we can tell the regex to only look at entire words using \b ('limited' o  
"AstriumLimited".replaceAll("(?i)\\blimited\\b", "")
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Out[1]: AstriumLimited
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In [2]: // it removes the text only if 'limited' is an entire word.  
"Astrium Limited".replaceAll("(?i)\\blimited\\b", "")
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Out[2]: "Astrium "
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In [3]: // remove the 'limited' word, only if it is at the end of the string.  
// it does not match here:  
"United Kingdom Limited Intellectual".replaceAll("(?i)\\blimited$", "")
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Out[3]: United Kingdom Limited Intellectual
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In [4]: // it matches here:  
"Astrium Limited".replaceAll("(?i)limited$", "")
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Out[4]: "Astrium "
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In [12]: // remove all spaces before the word.
         "Astrium Limited".replaceAll("(?i) *\\blimited$", "")

Out[12]: Astrium

In [8]: // remove all of these words.
        "Nokia limited and corporation".replaceAll("(?i)\\b(Limited|Co\\.|Corporati

Out[8]: "Nokia  and "

In [11]: // remove all numbers (one or more digits) by '-'
         "hello 1234 world".replaceAll("[0-9]+", "-")

Out[11]: hello - world

In [18]: // remove all numbers, only if they are preceded by a €
         "hello €123 world".replaceAll("(?<=€)[0-9]+", "-")

Out[18]: hello €- world

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Regular expressions are quite powerful; it's worth reading about them:

- <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/regex/Pattern.html> -
- <http://www.regular-expressions.info/unicode.html> - <https://regex101.com>

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In [ ]:
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