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Class Scanner

[java.lang.Object](#)[java.util.Scanner](#)

All Implemented Interfaces:

[Closeable](#), [AutoCloseable](#), [Iterator<String>](#)

```
public final class Scanner
extends Object
implements Iterator<String>, Closeable
```

A simple text scanner which can parse primitive types and strings using regular expressions.

A Scanner breaks its input into tokens using a delimiter pattern, which by default matches whitespace. The resulting tokens may then be converted into values of different types using the various next methods.

For example, this code allows a user to read a number from `System.in`:

```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
int i = sc.nextInt();
```

As another example, this code allows long types to be assigned from entries in a file `myNumbers`:

```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(new File("myNumbers"));
while (sc.hasNextLong()) {
    long aLong = sc.nextLong();
}
```

The scanner can also use delimiters other than whitespace. This example reads several items in from a string:

```
String input = "1 fish 2 fish red fish blue fish";
Scanner s = new Scanner(input).useDelimiter("\\s*f\\s*");
System.out.println(s.nextInt());
System.out.println(s.nextInt());
System.out.println(s.next());
System.out.println(s.next());
s.close();
```

prints the following output:

```
1
2
red
blue
```

The same output can be generated with this code, which uses a regular expression to parse all four tokens at once:

```
String input = "1 fish 2 fish red fish blue fish";
Scanner s = new Scanner(input);
s.findInLine("(\\d+) fish (\\d+) fish (\\w+) fish (\\w+)");
MatchResult result = s.match();
for (int i=1; i<=result.groupCount(); i++)
    System.out.println(result.group(i));
s.close();
```

The default whitespace delimiter used by a scanner is as recognized by `Character.isWhitespace`. The `reset()` method will reset the value of the scanner's delimiter to the default whitespace delimiter regardless of whether it was previously changed.

A scanning operation may block waiting for input.

The `next()` and `hasNext()` methods and their primitive-type companion methods (such as `nextInt()` and `hasNextInt()`) first skip any input that matches the delimiter pattern, and then attempt to return the next token. Both `hasNext` and `next` methods may block waiting for further input. Whether a `hasNext` method blocks has no connection to whether or not its associated `next` method will block.

The `findInLine(java.lang.String)`, `findWithinHorizon(java.lang.String, int)`, and `skip(java.util.regex.Pattern)` methods operate independently of the delimiter pattern. These methods will attempt to match the specified pattern with no regard to delimiters in the input and thus can be used in special circumstances where delimiters are not relevant. These methods may block waiting for more input.

When a scanner throws an `InputMismatchException`, the scanner will not pass the token that caused the exception, so that it may be retrieved or skipped via some other method.

Depending upon the type of delimiting pattern, empty tokens may be returned. For example, the pattern `"\\s+"` will return no empty tokens since it matches multiple instances of the delimiter. The delimiting pattern `"\\s"` could return empty tokens since it only passes one space at a time.

A scanner can read text from any object which implements the `Readable` interface. If an invocation of the underlying readable's `Readable.read(java.nio.CharBuffer)` method throws an `IOException` then the scanner assumes that the end of the input has been reached. The most recent `IOException` thrown by the underlying readable can be retrieved via the `ioException()` method.

When a Scanner is closed, it will close its input source if the source implements the `Closeable` interface.

A Scanner is not safe for multithreaded use without external synchronization.

Unless otherwise mentioned, passing a null parameter into any method of a Scanner will cause a `NullPointerException` to be thrown.

A scanner will default to interpreting numbers as decimal unless a different radix has been set by using the `useRadix(int)` method. The `reset()` method will reset the value of the scanner's radix to 10 regardless of whether it was previously changed.

Localized numbers

An instance of this class is capable of scanning numbers in the standard formats as well as in the formats of the scanner's locale. A scanner's initial locale is the value returned by the `Locale.getDefault()` method; it may be changed via the `useLocale(java.util.Locale)` method. The `reset()` method will reset the value of the scanner's locale to the initial locale regardless of whether it was previously changed.

The localized formats are defined in terms of the following parameters, which for a particular locale are taken from that locale's `DecimalFormat` object, `df`, and its `DecimalFormatSymbols` object, `dfs`.

<i>LocalGroupSeparator</i>	The character used to separate thousands groups, <i>i.e.</i> , <code>dfs.getGroupingSeparator()</code>
<i>LocalDecimalSeparator</i>	The character used for the decimal point, <i>i.e.</i> , <code>dfs.getDecimalSeparator()</code>
<i>LocalPositivePrefix</i>	The string that appears before a positive number (may be empty), <i>i.e.</i> , <code>df.getPositivePrefix()</code>
<i>LocalPositiveSuffix</i>	The string that appears after a positive number (may be empty), <i>i.e.</i> , <code>df.getPositiveSuffix()</code>
<i>LocalNegativePrefix</i>	The string that appears before a negative number (may be empty), <i>i.e.</i> , <code>df.getNegativePrefix()</code>
<i>LocalNegativeSuffix</i>	The string that appears after a negative number (may be empty), <i>i.e.</i> , <code>df.getNegativeSuffix()</code>
<i>LocalNaN</i>	The string that represents not-a-number for floating-point values, <i>i.e.</i> , <code>dfs.getNaN()</code>
<i>LocalInfinity</i>	The string that represents infinity for floating-point values, <i>i.e.</i> , <code>dfs.getInfinity()</code>

Number syntax

The strings that can be parsed as numbers by an instance of this class are specified in terms of the following regular-expression grammar, where `Rmax` is the highest digit in the radix being used (for example, `Rmax` is 9 in base 10).

NonASCIIDigit :: = A non-ASCII character *c* for which `Character.isDigit(c)` returns true

Non0Digit :: = `[1-Rmax]` | *NonASCIIDigit*

Digit :: = `[0-Rmax]` | *NonASCIIDigit*

GroupedNumeral :: = (*Non0Digit* *Digit?* *Digit?*
(*LocalGroupSeparator* *Digit* *Digit* *Digit*)+)

Numeral :: = ((*Digit*+) | *GroupedNumeral*)

Integer :: = (`[+-]`? (*Numeral*))
| *LocalPositivePrefix* *Numeral* *LocalPositiveSuffix*
| *LocalNegativePrefix* *Numeral* *LocalNegativeSuffix*

DecimalNumeral :: = *Numeral*
| *Numeral* *LocalDecimalSeparator* *Digit**
| *LocalDecimalSeparator* *Digit*+

Exponent :: = (`[eE]` `[+-]`? *Digit*+)

Decimal :: = (`[+-]`? *DecimalNumeral* *Exponent?*)
| *LocalPositivePrefix* *DecimalNumeral* *LocalPositiveSuffix* *Exponent?*
| *LocalNegativePrefix* *DecimalNumeral* *LocalNegativeSuffix* *Exponent?*

HexFloat :: = `[+-]`? `0[xX]``[0-9a-fA-F]*``\.``[0-9a-fA-F]+` (`[pP]``[+-]`?`[0-9]+`)?

NonNumber :: = NaN | *LocalNan* | Infinity | *LocalInfinity*

SignedNonNumber :: = (`[+-]`? *NonNumber*)
| *LocalPositivePrefix* *NonNumber* *LocalPositiveSuffix*
| *LocalNegativePrefix* *NonNumber* *LocalNegativeSuffix*

Float :: = *Decimal*
| *HexFloat*
| *SignedNonNumber*

Whitespace is not significant in the above regular expressions.

Since:

1.5

Constructor Summary

Constructors

Constructor and Description

`Scanner`([File](#) source)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file.

Scanner(**File** source, **String** charsetName)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file.

Scanner(**InputStream** source)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified input stream.

Scanner(**InputStream** source, **String** charsetName)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified input stream.

Scanner(**Path** source)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file.

Scanner(**Path** source, **String** charsetName)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file.

Scanner(**Readable** source)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified source.

Scanner(**ReadableByteChannel** source)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified channel.

Scanner(**ReadableByteChannel** source, **String** charsetName)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified channel.

Scanner(**String** source)

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified string.

Method Summary

Methods

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
void	close() Closes this scanner.
Pattern	delimiter() Returns the Pattern this Scanner is currently using to match delimiters.
String	findInLine(Pattern pattern) Attempts to find the next occurrence of the specified pattern ignoring delimiters.
String	findInLine(String pattern) Attempts to find the next occurrence of a pattern constructed from the specified string, ignoring delimiters.
String	findWithinHorizon(Pattern pattern, int horizon) Attempts to find the next occurrence of the specified pattern.
String	findWithinHorizon(String pattern, int horizon) Attempts to find the next occurrence of a pattern constructed from the specified string, ignoring delimiters.
boolean	hasNext() Returns true if this scanner has another token in its input.
boolean	hasNext(Pattern pattern) Returns true if the next complete token matches the specified pattern.
boolean	hasNext(String pattern) Returns true if the next token matches the pattern constructed from the specified string.
boolean	hasNextBigDecimal() Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a <code>BigDecimal</code> using the nextBigDecimal() method.
boolean	hasNextBigInteger() Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a <code>BigInteger</code> in the default radix using the nextBigInteger() method.
boolean	hasNextBigInteger(int radix)

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a `BigInteger` in the specified radix using the `nextBigInteger()` method.

boolean

`hasNextBoolean()`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a boolean value using a case insensitive pattern created from the string "true|false".

boolean

`hasNextByte()`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a byte value in the default radix using the `nextByte()` method.

boolean

`hasNextByte(int radix)`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a byte value in the specified radix using the `nextByte()` method.

boolean

`hasNextDouble()`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a double value using the `nextDouble()` method.

boolean

`hasNextFloat()`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a float value using the `nextFloat()` method.

boolean

`hasNextInt()`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as an int value in the default radix using the `nextInt()` method.

boolean

`hasNextInt(int radix)`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as an int value in the specified radix using the `nextInt()` method.

boolean

`hasNextLine()`

Returns true if there is another line in the input of this scanner.

boolean

`hasNextLong()`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a long value in the default radix using the `nextLong()` method.

boolean

`hasNextLong(int radix)`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a long value in the specified radix using the `nextLong()` method.

boolean

`hasNextShort()`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a short value in the default radix using the `nextShort()` method.

boolean

`hasNextShort(int radix)`

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a short value in the specified radix using the `nextShort()` method.

`IOException``ioException()`

Returns the `IOException` last thrown by this Scanner's underlying `Readable`.

`Locale``locale()`

Returns this scanner's locale.

`MatchResult``match()`

Returns the match result of the last scanning operation performed by this scanner.

`String``next()`

Finds and returns the next complete token from this scanner.

`String``next(Pattern pattern)`

Returns the next token if it matches the specified pattern.

`String``next(String pattern)`

Returns the next token if it matches the pattern constructed from the specified string.

`BigDecimal``nextBigDecimal()`

Scans the next token of the input as a `BigDecimal`.

`BigInteger``nextBigInteger()`

Scans the next token of the input as a `BigInteger`.

`BigInteger``nextBigInteger(int radix)`

Scans the next token of the input as a `BigInteger`.

boolean

`nextBoolean()`

	Scans the next token of the input into a boolean value and returns that value.
byte	<code>nextByte()</code> Scans the next token of the input as a byte.
byte	<code>nextByte(int radix)</code> Scans the next token of the input as a byte.
double	<code>nextDouble()</code> Scans the next token of the input as a double.
float	<code>nextFloat()</code> Scans the next token of the input as a float.
int	<code>nextInt()</code> Scans the next token of the input as an int.
int	<code>nextInt(int radix)</code> Scans the next token of the input as an int.
String	<code>nextLine()</code> Advances this scanner past the current line and returns the input that was skipped.
long	<code>nextLong()</code> Scans the next token of the input as a long.
long	<code>nextLong(int radix)</code> Scans the next token of the input as a long.
short	<code>nextShort()</code> Scans the next token of the input as a short.
short	<code>nextShort(int radix)</code> Scans the next token of the input as a short.
int	<code>radix()</code> Returns this scanner's default radix.
void	<code>remove()</code> The remove operation is not supported by this implementation of Iterator.
Scanner	<code>reset()</code> Resets this scanner.
Scanner	<code>skip(Pattern pattern)</code> Skips input that matches the specified pattern, ignoring delimiters.
Scanner	<code>skip(String pattern)</code> Skips input that matches a pattern constructed from the specified string.
String	<code>toString()</code> Returns the string representation of this Scanner.
Scanner	<code>useDelimiter(Pattern pattern)</code> Sets this scanner's delimiting pattern to the specified pattern.
Scanner	<code>useDelimiter(String pattern)</code> Sets this scanner's delimiting pattern to a pattern constructed from the specified String.
Scanner	<code>useLocale(Locale locale)</code> Sets this scanner's locale to the specified locale.
Scanner	<code>useRadix(int radix)</code> Sets this scanner's default radix to the specified radix.

Methods inherited from class java.lang.Object

`clone, equals, finalize, getClass, hashCode, notify, notifyAll, wait, wait, wait`

Constructor Detail

Scanner

```
public Scanner(Readable source)
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified source.

Parameters:

source - A character source implementing the [Readable](#) interface

Scanner

```
public Scanner(InputStream source)
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified input stream. Bytes from the stream are converted into characters using the underlying platform's [default charset](#).

Parameters:

source - An input stream to be scanned

Scanner

```
public Scanner(InputStream source,  
                String charsetName)
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified input stream. Bytes from the stream are converted into characters using the specified charset.

Parameters:

source - An input stream to be scanned

charsetName - The encoding type used to convert bytes from the stream into characters to be scanned

Throws:

[IllegalArgumentException](#) - if the specified character set does not exist

Scanner

```
public Scanner(File source)  
    throws FileNotFoundException
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file. Bytes from the file are converted into characters using the underlying platform's [default charset](#).

Parameters:

source - A file to be scanned

Throws:

[FileNotFoundException](#) - if source is not found

Scanner

```
public Scanner(File source,  
                String charsetName)  
    throws FileNotFoundException
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file. Bytes from the file are converted into characters using the specified charset.

Parameters:

source - A file to be scanned

charsetName - The encoding type used to convert bytes from the file into characters to be scanned

Throws:

[FileNotFoundException](#) - if source is not found

[IllegalArgumentException](#) - if the specified encoding is not found

Scanner

```
public Scanner(Path source)
    throws IOException
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file. Bytes from the file are converted into characters using the underlying platform's [default charset](#).

Parameters:

source - the path to the file to be scanned

Throws:

[IOException](#) - if an I/O error occurs opening source

Since:

1.7

Scanner

```
public Scanner(Path source,
    String charsetName)
    throws IOException
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified file. Bytes from the file are converted into characters using the specified charset.

Parameters:

source - the path to the file to be scanned

charsetName - The encoding type used to convert bytes from the file into characters to be scanned

Throws:

[IOException](#) - if an I/O error occurs opening source

[IllegalArgumentException](#) - if the specified encoding is not found

Since:

1.7

Scanner

```
public Scanner(String source)
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified string.

Parameters:

source - A string to scan

Scanner

```
public Scanner(ReadableByteChannel source)
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified channel. Bytes from the source are converted into characters using the underlying platform's [default charset](#).

Parameters:

source - A channel to scan

Scanner

```
public Scanner(ReadableByteChannel source,  
               String charsetName)
```

Constructs a new Scanner that produces values scanned from the specified channel. Bytes from the source are converted into characters using the specified charset.

Parameters:

source - A channel to scan

charsetName - The encoding type used to convert bytes from the channel into characters to be scanned

Throws:

[IllegalArgumentException](#) - if the specified character set does not exist

Method Detail**close**

```
public void close()
```

Closes this scanner.

If this scanner has not yet been closed then if its underlying [readable](#) also implements the [Closeable](#) interface then the readable's `close` method will be invoked. If this scanner is already closed then invoking this method will have no effect.

Attempting to perform search operations after a scanner has been closed will result in an [IllegalStateException](#).

Specified by:

`close` in interface [Closeable](#)

Specified by:

`close` in interface [AutoCloseable](#)

IOException

```
public IOException ioException()
```

Returns the `IOException` last thrown by this Scanner's underlying `Readable`. This method returns `null` if no such exception exists.

Returns:

the last exception thrown by this scanner's readable

delimiter

```
public Pattern delimiter()
```

Returns the `Pattern` this Scanner is currently using to match delimiters.

Returns:

this scanner's delimiting pattern.

useDelimiter

```
public Scanner useDelimiter(Pattern pattern)
```

Sets this scanner's delimiting pattern to the specified pattern.

Parameters:

pattern - A delimiting pattern

Returns:

this scanner

useDelimiter

```
public Scanner useDelimiter(String pattern)
```

Sets this scanner's delimiting pattern to a pattern constructed from the specified `String`.

An invocation of this method of the form `useDelimiter(pattern)` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `useDelimiter(Pattern.compile(pattern))`.

Invoking the `reset()` method will set the scanner's delimiter to the `default`.

Parameters:

pattern - A string specifying a delimiting pattern

Returns:

this scanner

locale

```
public Locale locale()
```

Returns this scanner's locale.

A scanner's locale affects many elements of its default primitive matching regular expressions; see [localized numbers](#) above.

Returns:

this scanner's locale

useLocale

```
public Scanner useLocale(Locale locale)
```

Sets this scanner's locale to the specified locale.

A scanner's locale affects many elements of its default primitive matching regular expressions; see [localized numbers](#) above.

Invoking the [reset\(\)](#) method will set the scanner's locale to the [initial locale](#).

Parameters:

locale - A string specifying the locale to use

Returns:

this scanner

radix

```
public int radix()
```

Returns this scanner's default radix.

A scanner's radix affects elements of its default number matching regular expressions; see [localized numbers](#) above.

Returns:

the default radix of this scanner

useRadix

```
public Scanner useRadix(int radix)
```

Sets this scanner's default radix to the specified radix.

A scanner's radix affects elements of its default number matching regular expressions; see [localized numbers](#) above.

If the radix is less than `Character.MIN_RADIX` or greater than `Character.MAX_RADIX`, then an `IllegalArgumentException` is thrown.

Invoking the [reset\(\)](#) method will set the scanner's radix to 10.

Parameters:

radix - The radix to use when scanning numbers

Returns:

this scanner

Throws:

[IllegalArgumentException](#) - if radix is out of range

match

```
public MatchResult match()
```

Returns the match result of the last scanning operation performed by this scanner. This method throws `IllegalStateException` if no match has been performed, or if the last match was not successful.

The various `next` methods of `Scanner` make a match result available if they complete without throwing an exception. For instance, after an invocation of the `nextInt()` method that returned an int, this method returns a `MatchResult` for the search of the `Integer` regular expression defined above. Similarly the `findInLine(java.lang.String)`, `findWithinHorizon(java.lang.String, int)`, and `skip(java.util.regex.Pattern)` methods will make a match available if they succeed.

Returns:

a match result for the last match operation

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - If no match result is available

toString

```
public String toString()
```

Returns the string representation of this `Scanner`. The string representation of a `Scanner` contains information that may be useful for debugging. The exact format is unspecified.

Overrides:

`toString` in class `Object`

Returns:

The string representation of this scanner

hasNext

```
public boolean hasNext()
```

Returns true if this scanner has another token in its input. This method may block while waiting for input to scan. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Specified by:

`hasNext` in interface `Iterator<String>`

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner has another token

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

See Also:

`Iterator`

next

```
public String next()
```

Finds and returns the next complete token from this scanner. A complete token is preceded and followed by input that matches the delimiter pattern. This method may block while waiting for input to scan, even if a previous invocation of `hasNext()` returned true.

Specified by:

`next` in interface `Iterator<String>`

Returns:

the next token

Throws:

`NoSuchElementException` - if no more tokens are available

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

See Also:

`Iterator`

remove

```
public void remove()
```

The remove operation is not supported by this implementation of `Iterator`.

Specified by:

`remove` in interface `Iterator<String>`

Throws:

`UnsupportedOperationException` - if this method is invoked.

See Also:

`Iterator`

hasNext

```
public boolean hasNext(String pattern)
```

Returns true if the next token matches the pattern constructed from the specified string. The scanner does not advance past any input.

An invocation of this method of the form `hasNext(pattern)` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `hasNext(Pattern.compile(pattern))`.

Parameters:

`pattern` - a string specifying the pattern to scan

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner has another token matching the specified pattern

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

next

```
public String next(String pattern)
```

Returns the next token if it matches the pattern constructed from the specified string. If the match is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched the pattern.

An invocation of this method of the form `next(pattern)` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `next(Pattern.compile(pattern))`.

Parameters:

pattern - a string specifying the pattern to scan

Returns:

the next token

Throws:

[NoSuchElementException](#) - if no such tokens are available

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

hasNext

```
public boolean hasNext(Pattern pattern)
```

Returns true if the next complete token matches the specified pattern. A complete token is prefixed and postfixed by input that matches the delimiter pattern. This method may block while waiting for input. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Parameters:

pattern - the pattern to scan for

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner has another token matching the specified pattern

Throws:

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

next

```
public String next(Pattern pattern)
```

Returns the next token if it matches the specified pattern. This method may block while waiting for input to scan, even if a previous invocation of [hasNext\(Pattern\)](#) returned true. If the match is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched the pattern.

Parameters:

pattern - the pattern to scan for

Returns:

the next token

Throws:

[NoSuchElementException](#) - if no more tokens are available

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

hasNextLine

```
public boolean hasNextLine()
```

Returns true if there is another line in the input of this scanner. This method may block while waiting for input. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner has another line of input

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextLine

```
public String nextLine()
```

Advances this scanner past the current line and returns the input that was skipped. This method returns the rest of the current line, excluding any line separator at the end. The position is set to the beginning of the next line.

Since this method continues to search through the input looking for a line separator, it may buffer all of the input searching for the line to skip if no line separators are present.

Returns:

the line that was skipped

Throws:

`NoSuchElementException` - if no line was found

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

findInLine

```
public String findInLine(String pattern)
```

Attempts to find the next occurrence of a pattern constructed from the specified string, ignoring delimiters.

An invocation of this method of the form `findInLine(pattern)` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `findInLine(Pattern.compile(pattern))`.

Parameters:

pattern - a string specifying the pattern to search for

Returns:

the text that matched the specified pattern

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

findInLine

```
public String findInLine(Pattern pattern)
```

Attempts to find the next occurrence of the specified pattern ignoring delimiters. If the pattern is found before the next line separator, the scanner advances past the input that matched and returns the string that matched the pattern. If no such pattern is detected in the input up to the next line separator, then `null` is returned and the scanner's position is unchanged. This method may block waiting for input that matches the pattern.

Since this method continues to search through the input looking for the specified pattern, it may buffer all of the input searching for the desired token if no line separators are present.

Parameters:

pattern - the pattern to scan for

Returns:

the text that matched the specified pattern

Throws:

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

findWithinHorizon

```
public String findWithinHorizon(String pattern,  
                                int horizon)
```

Attempts to find the next occurrence of a pattern constructed from the specified string, ignoring delimiters.

An invocation of this method of the form `findWithinHorizon(pattern)` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `findWithinHorizon(Pattern.compile(pattern), horizon)`.

Parameters:

pattern - a string specifying the pattern to search for

Returns:

the text that matched the specified pattern

Throws:

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

[IllegalArgumentException](#) - if horizon is negative

findWithinHorizon

```
public String findWithinHorizon(Pattern pattern,  
                                int horizon)
```

Attempts to find the next occurrence of the specified pattern.

This method searches through the input up to the specified search horizon, ignoring delimiters. If the pattern is found the scanner advances past the input that matched and returns the string that matched the pattern. If no such pattern is detected then the null is returned and the scanner's position remains unchanged. This method may block waiting for input that matches the pattern.

A scanner will never search more than horizon code points beyond its current position. Note that a match may be clipped by the horizon; that is, an arbitrary match result may have been different if the horizon had been larger. The scanner treats the horizon as a transparent, non-anchoring bound (see [Matcher.useTransparentBounds\(boolean\)](#) and [Matcher.useAnchoringBounds\(boolean\)](#)).

If horizon is 0, then the horizon is ignored and this method continues to search through the input looking for the specified pattern without bound. In this case it may buffer all of the input searching for the pattern.

If horizon is negative, then an [IllegalArgumentException](#) is thrown.

Parameters:

pattern - the pattern to scan for

Returns:

the text that matched the specified pattern

Throws:

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

[IllegalArgumentException](#) - if horizon is negative

skip

```
public Scanner skip(Pattern pattern)
```


Skips input that matches the specified pattern, ignoring delimiters. This method will skip input if an anchored match of the specified pattern succeeds.

If a match to the specified pattern is not found at the current position, then no input is skipped and a `NoSuchElementException` is thrown.

Since this method seeks to match the specified pattern starting at the scanner's current position, patterns that can match a lot of input (".*", for example) may cause the scanner to buffer a large amount of input.

Note that it is possible to skip something without risking a `NoSuchElementException` by using a pattern that can match nothing, e.g., `sc.skip("[\\t]*")`.

Parameters:

pattern - a string specifying the pattern to skip over

Returns:

this scanner

Throws:

`NoSuchElementException` - if the specified pattern is not found

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

skip

```
public Scanner skip(String pattern)
```

Skips input that matches a pattern constructed from the specified string.

An invocation of this method of the form `skip(pattern)` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `skip(Pattern.compile(pattern))`.

Parameters:

pattern - a string specifying the pattern to skip over

Returns:

this scanner

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextBoolean

```
public boolean hasNextBoolean()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a boolean value using a case insensitive pattern created from the string "true|false". The scanner does not advance past the input that matched.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid boolean value

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextBoolean

```
public boolean nextBoolean()
```

Scans the next token of the input into a boolean value and returns that value. This method will throw `InputMismatchException` if the next token cannot be translated into a valid boolean value. If the match is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched.

Returns:

the boolean scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token is not a valid boolean

`NoSuchElementException` - if input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextByte

```
public boolean hasNextByte()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a byte value in the default radix using the `nextByte()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid byte value

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextByte

```
public boolean hasNextByte(int radix)
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a byte value in the specified radix using the `nextByte()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Parameters:

radix - the radix used to interpret the token as a byte value

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid byte value

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextByte

```
public byte nextByte()
```

Scans the next token of the input as a byte.

An invocation of this method of the form `nextByte()` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `nextByte(radix)`, where `radix` is the default radix of this scanner.

Returns:

the byte scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextByte

```
public byte nextByte(int radix)
```

Scans the next token of the input as a byte. This method will throw `InputMismatchException` if the next token cannot be translated into a valid byte value as described below. If the translation is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched.

If the next token matches the `Integer` regular expression defined above then the token is converted into a byte value as if by removing all locale specific prefixes, group separators, and locale specific suffixes, then mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via `Character.digit`, prepending a negative sign (-) if the locale specific negative prefixes and suffixes were present, and passing the resulting string to `Byte.parseByte` with the specified radix.

Parameters:

`radix` - the radix used to interpret the token as a byte value

Returns:

the byte scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the `Integer` regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextShort

```
public boolean hasNextShort()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a short value in the default radix using the `nextShort()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid short value in the default radix

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextShort

```
public boolean hasNextShort(int radix)
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a short value in the specified radix using the `nextShort()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Parameters:

`radix` - the radix used to interpret the token as a short value

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid short value in the specified radix

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextShort

```
public short nextShort()
```

Scans the next token of the input as a short.

An invocation of this method of the form `nextShort()` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `nextShort(radix)`, where `radix` is the default radix of this scanner.

Returns:

the short scanned from the input

Throws:

[InputMismatchException](#) - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

[NoSuchElementException](#) - if input is exhausted

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

nextShort

```
public short nextShort(int radix)
```

Scans the next token of the input as a short. This method will throw [InputMismatchException](#) if the next token cannot be translated into a valid short value as described below. If the translation is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched.

If the next token matches the *Integer* regular expression defined above then the token is converted into a short value as if by removing all locale specific prefixes, group separators, and locale specific suffixes, then mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via [Character.digit](#), prepending a negative sign (-) if the locale specific negative prefixes and suffixes were present, and passing the resulting string to [Short.parseShort](#) with the specified radix.

Parameters:

`radix` - the radix used to interpret the token as a short value

Returns:

the short scanned from the input

Throws:

[InputMismatchException](#) - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

[NoSuchElementException](#) - if input is exhausted

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

hasNextInt

```
public boolean hasNextInt()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as an int value in the default radix using the [nextInt\(\)](#) method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid int value

Throws:

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

hasNextInt

```
public boolean hasNextInt(int radix)
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as an int value in the specified radix using the [nextInt\(\)](#) method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Parameters:

radix - the radix used to interpret the token as an int value

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid int value

Throws:

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

nextInt

```
public int nextInt()
```

Scans the next token of the input as an int.

An invocation of this method of the form `nextInt()` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `nextInt(radix)`, where `radix` is the default radix of this scanner.

Returns:

the int scanned from the input

Throws:

[InputMismatchException](#) - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

[NoSuchElementException](#) - if input is exhausted

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

nextInt

```
public int nextInt(int radix)
```

Scans the next token of the input as an int. This method will throw [InputMismatchException](#) if the next token cannot be translated into a valid int value as described below. If the translation is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched.

If the next token matches the *Integer* regular expression defined above then the token is converted into an int value as if by removing all locale specific prefixes, group separators, and locale specific suffixes, then mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via [Character.digit](#), prepending a negative sign (-) if the locale specific negative prefixes and suffixes were present, and passing the resulting string to [Integer.parseInt](#) with the specified radix.

Parameters:

radix - the radix used to interpret the token as an int value

Returns:

the int scanned from the input

Throws:

[InputMismatchException](#) - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

[NoSuchElementException](#) - if input is exhausted

[IllegalStateException](#) - if this scanner is closed

hasNextLong

```
public boolean hasNextLong()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a long value in the default radix using the `nextLong()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid long value

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextLong

```
public boolean hasNextLong(int radix)
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a long value in the specified radix using the `nextLong()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Parameters:

radix - the radix used to interpret the token as a long value

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid long value

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextLong

```
public long nextLong()
```

Scans the next token of the input as a long.

An invocation of this method of the form `nextLong()` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `nextLong(radix)`, where `radix` is the default radix of this scanner.

Returns:

the long scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextLong

```
public long nextLong(int radix)
```

Scans the next token of the input as a long. This method will throw `InputMismatchException` if the next token cannot be translated into a valid long value as described below. If the translation is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched.

If the next token matches the *Integer* regular expression defined above then the token is converted into a `long` value as if by removing all locale specific prefixes, group separators, and locale specific suffixes, then mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via `Character.digit`, prepending a negative sign (-) if the locale specific negative prefixes and suffixes were present, and passing the resulting string to `Long.parseLong` with the specified radix.

Parameters:

radix - the radix used to interpret the token as an int value

Returns:

the long scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextFloat

```
public boolean hasNextFloat()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a float value using the `nextFloat()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid float value

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextFloat

```
public float nextFloat()
```

Scans the next token of the input as a `float`. This method will throw `InputMismatchException` if the next token cannot be translated into a valid float value as described below. If the translation is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched.

If the next token matches the *Float* regular expression defined above then the token is converted into a `float` value as if by removing all locale specific prefixes, group separators, and locale specific suffixes, then mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via `Character.digit`, prepending a negative sign (-) if the locale specific negative prefixes and suffixes were present, and passing the resulting string to `Float.parseFloat`. If the token matches the localized NaN or infinity strings, then either "NaN" or "Infinity" is passed to `Float.parseFloat` as appropriate.

Returns:

the float scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Float* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextDouble

```
public boolean hasNextDouble()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a double value using the `nextDouble()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid double value

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextDouble

```
public double nextDouble()
```

Scans the next token of the input as a double. This method will throw `InputMismatchException` if the next token cannot be translated into a valid double value. If the translation is successful, the scanner advances past the input that matched.

If the next token matches the *Float* regular expression defined above then the token is converted into a double value as if by removing all locale specific prefixes, group separators, and locale specific suffixes, then mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via `Character.digit`, prepending a negative sign (-) if the locale specific negative prefixes and suffixes were present, and passing the resulting string to `Double.parseDouble`. If the token matches the localized NaN or infinity strings, then either "Nan" or "Infinity" is passed to `Double.parseDouble` as appropriate.

Returns:

the double scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Float* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if the input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextBigInteger

```
public boolean hasNextBigInteger()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a `BigInteger` in the default radix using the `nextBigInteger()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid `BigInteger`

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextBigInteger

```
public boolean hasNextBigInteger(int radix)
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a `BigInteger` in the specified radix using the `nextBigInteger()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Parameters:

radix - the radix used to interpret the token as an integer

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid `BigInteger`

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextBigInteger

```
public BigInteger nextBigInteger()
```

Scans the next token of the input as a `BigInteger`.

An invocation of this method of the form `nextBigInteger()` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation `nextBigInteger(radix)`, where `radix` is the default radix of this scanner.

Returns:

the `BigInteger` scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if the input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextBigInteger

```
public BigInteger nextBigInteger(int radix)
```

Scans the next token of the input as a `BigInteger`.

If the next token matches the *Integer* regular expression defined above then the token is converted into a `BigInteger` value as if by removing all group separators, mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via the `Character.digit`, and passing the resulting string to the `BigInteger(String, int)` constructor with the specified radix.

Parameters:

`radix` - the radix used to interpret the token

Returns:

the `BigInteger` scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Integer* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if the input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

hasNextBigDecimal

```
public boolean hasNextBigDecimal()
```

Returns true if the next token in this scanner's input can be interpreted as a `BigDecimal` using the `nextBigDecimal()` method. The scanner does not advance past any input.

Returns:

true if and only if this scanner's next token is a valid `BigDecimal`

Throws:

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

nextBigDecimal

```
public BigDecimal nextBigDecimal()
```

Scans the next token of the input as a `BigDecimal`.

If the next token matches the *Decimal* regular expression defined above then the token is converted into a `BigDecimal` value as if by removing all group separators, mapping non-ASCII digits into ASCII digits via the `Character.digit`, and passing the resulting string to the `BigDecimal(String)` constructor.

Returns:

the `BigDecimal` scanned from the input

Throws:

`InputMismatchException` - if the next token does not match the *Decimal* regular expression, or is out of range

`NoSuchElementException` - if the input is exhausted

`IllegalStateException` - if this scanner is closed

reset

```
public Scanner reset()
```

Resets this scanner.

Resetting a scanner discards all of its explicit state information which may have been changed by invocations of `useDelimiter(java.util.regex.Pattern)`, `useLocale(java.util.Locale)`, or `useRadix(int)`.

An invocation of this method of the form `scanner.reset()` behaves in exactly the same way as the invocation

```
scanner.useDelimiter("\\p{javaWhitespace}+")
      .useLocale(Locale.getDefault())
      .useRadix(10);
```

Returns:

this scanner

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