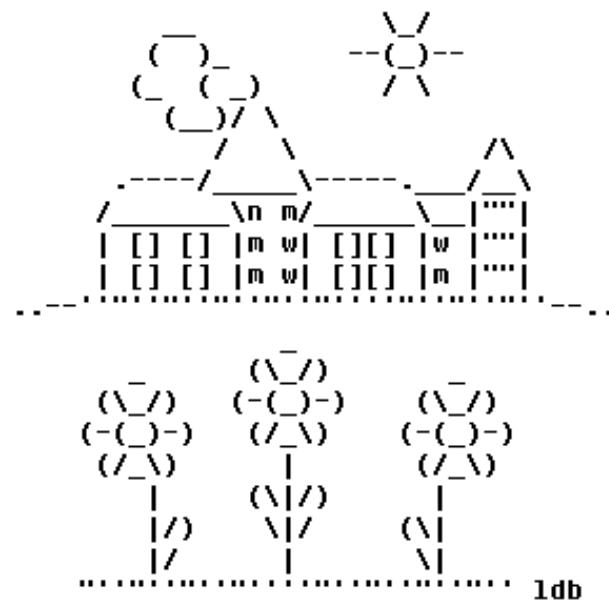


Lecture 3-2

Handling Characters and Text



Textual data

“When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare to the sep

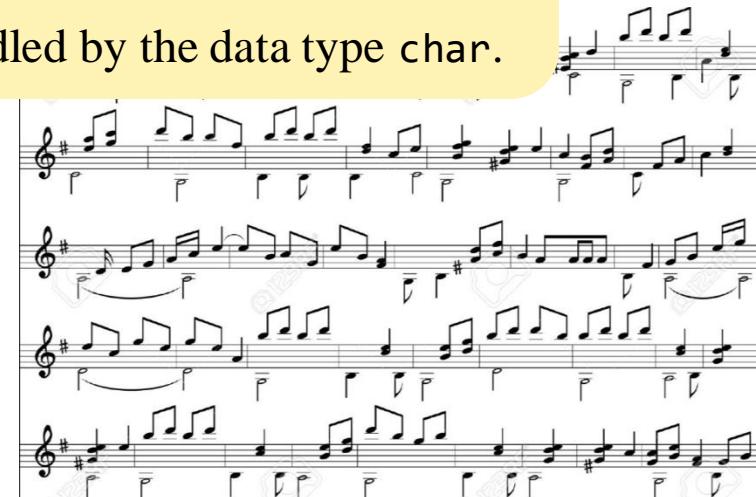
Data = a stream of *characters*;

Every character is represented by a numeric code;

In Java, these codes are handled by the data type `char`.

```
>ARPM2ref|NC_000001.10|:29  
reference assembly  
TGGAAAGGGCTCAGCAGGCCAGGC  
CGGGCACGGTGTAGGCTGCTGTA  
ATCACAAAGGGCCCTGGAGGGCTGGT,  
TAATCCGACGCTTAGACTCCCCGGCTGTGATTGGACAATGGCTGGGGTTCTGCAAGCGGGCTG  
TCTGGGGAGTTGGACCCGGACATGGTCAGCTCATCTGGGGGACCTGAAATTCCAGGCTCCCTAG  
CAGAGCCACCAAGAAGAAGTACTTGTGGGGAGGAGGCCCTGTACAAGCAGGAGGCCCTGCACTGCA  
CTTCCCCTTCGAGCCTGGCTGTACAGGGTGTAGCAGCTGGAGAGACTCTGGAGACCCCTTGAG  
TGGGAGCTAGGGTGAACCCAGGACACGGCCCTGCTGCAACGGAGCCCTCCTGAACCCAGGAGA  
ACCGTGAAGAATGGCAGAGTCATGTTGAGAACCTGGCTGCCCCGTTCTACCTGTGGACAGGC  
GGTGTGGCTCTACGCCCTGCTGTGTCAGGGCTGGTGGTGGACAGCGGGGATGCGGTACCTGC  
ACTGTCCCCATCTTGGGGGTACTCCTCTGCCACGCACTGACAGCTCCACGTTGGCCGGCAGGGACA  
TCAGGGAGCTCTCATGAGCTGGCCAGGCCACACCTTCCCTGCCAGCTGGACAAAGGTCT  
CGTGGAGACATCAAAAAGAAGTGTGCTAGTGGCCTGGAGCCGGAGAAGGGACTTCCCAGGAGGG  
GAGGAGGTCTGGGGAGTACAAGCTGCCGAGCGGGACATCATGAGCTGGGACCCGCTGCCAGG  
CGCCCGAGGGCTTGTGTCAGGAGCTGGCAGAGCTGGGAGGCTCTGAAATGTTGCTGTCGGGGGACT  
CAGCATACCAAGTGTGATACCGACATCCAGAAGATCTCTTGGGGAGTTGTGCTGTCGGGGGACT  
ACCCCTGTGACGGGCTGGATGAGCCGCTCTCAAGGAGCTGGAGCAGCTGGCTCCAAGGACACCCCA  
TCAAGATCACGGCTCCCCCGACCCTGGTCTCTCACTGGATTGGAGCCTCCATGTCACCTCTGTAG  
TAGCTTCAAGCAGATGTGGGTACCGCCGAGACTCTAAGGGAGTTGGGACCTCGTGGTCAAGAGAAGA  
TGCTTCTGAAGGGCGCTCTCTGGGGTACCGTGGGGGTAACCTAGCCCCAGCTTGGGGAGTGT  
CAATAAAGGACCAATGCCGAA
```

10月27日、マイクロソフトの定番ビジネ
ススイート「マイクロソフト・オフィス」
の最新版となる「オフィス2011（Office
for Mac 2011）」がついに発売されました。
2009年8月、マイクロソフトは新しい
Mac版オフィスについてのロ
ープを示しました。当時、2010
データシーズンに発売する予定であ
新たに統合メールソフトの「ア
ク」を搭載することなどが発表さ
が、詳細はあまり明らかにされず
ユーザは長い間その詳細の発表を
していたわけです。



The char data type



type	bits	range of values
byte	8	-128 ... 127
short	16	-32,768 ... 32,767
char	16	0 ... 65,535
int	32	-2,147,483,648 ... 2,147,483,647
long	64	< -9 × 10 ¹⁸ ... > 9 × 10 ¹⁸



Java data types for representing integers

char values are integers

- When we say `print('k')`, the computer displays an image that looks like **K**
- But, the letter 'k' is actually represented by the *character code 107*.

Character codes: ASCII

Dec	Char
0	NULL null
1	SOH Start of heading
2	STX Start of text
3	ETX End of text
4	EOT End of transmission
5	ENQ Enquiry
6	ACK Acknowledge
7	BELL Bell
8	BS Backspace
9	TAB Horizontal tab
10	LF New line
11	VT Vertical tab
12	FF Form Feed
13	CR Carriage return
14	SO Shift out
15	SI Shift in
16	DLE Data link escape
17	DC1 Device control 1
18	DC2 Device control 2
19	DC3 Device control 3
20	DC4 Device control 4
21	NAK Negative ack
22	SYN Synchronous idle
23	ETB End transmission bloc
24	CAN Cancel
25	EM End of medium
26	SUB Substitute
27	FSC Escape
28	FS File separator
29	GS Group separator
30	RS Record separator
31	US Unit separator

Dec	Char
32	Space
33	!
34	"
35	#
36	\$
37	%
38	&
39	'
40	(
41)
42	*
43	+
44	,
45	-
46	.
47	/
48	0
49	1
50	2
51	3
52	4
53	5
54	6
55	7
56	8
57	9
58	:
59	;
60	<
61	=
62	>
63	?

Dec	Char
64	@
65	A
66	B
67	C
68	D
69	E
70	F
71	G
72	H
73	I
74	J
75	K
76	L
77	M
78	N
79	O
80	P
81	Q
82	R
83	S
84	T
85	U
86	V
87	W
88	X
89	Y
90	Z
91	[
92	\
93]
94	^
95	_
96	`
97	a
98	b
99	c
100	d
101	e
102	f
103	g
104	h
105	i
106	j
107	k
108	l
109	m
110	n
111	o
112	p
113	q
114	r
115	s
116	t
117	u
118	v
119	w
120	x
121	y
122	z
123	{
124	
125	}
126	~
127	DEL

Character set

A set of characters, and their codes;

Each character is represented by an agreed-upon numeric code.

ASCII

8-bit code character set for representing western alphabets (a standard formed in 1963):

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Control characters
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Common western characters

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Common western
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More characters, mostly
graphics primitives

Character codes: Unicode

ASCII (1963): an 8-bit code that represents $2^8 = 256$ characters

Unicode (1991): a 16-bit code that can represent $2^{16} = 65536$ characters

Java uses Unicode.

ASCII is embedded within Unicode. For example:

'a' in ASCII: 0110001 (97 in decimal)

'a' in Unicode: 000000000110001 (97 in decimal).

Plan

✓ ASCII / Unicode

→ Characters

- Strings
- String processing examples

Characters in action

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

Characters in action

We'll show some examples,
focusing on this arbitrary
subset of selected characters.

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37	%	69	E	101	e
38	&	70	F	102	f
39	'	71	G	103	g
40	(72	H	104	h
41)	73	I	105	i
42	*	74	J	106	j
43	+	75	K	107	k
44	,	76	L	108	l
45	-	77	M	109	m
46	.	78	N	110	n
47	/	79	O	111	o
48	0	80	P	112	p
49	1	81	Q	113	q
50	2	82	R	114	r
51	3	83	S	115	s
52	4	84	T	116	t
53	5	85	U	117	u
54	6	86	V	118	v
55	7	87	W	119	w
56	8	88	X	120	x
57	9	89	Y	121	y
58	:	90	Z	122	z
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Characters in action

```
// CharDemo.java
...
System.out.println(3);
System.out.println('3');
System.out.println(3 + 1);
System.out.println('3' + 1); // casts to int

char c = 8096; // sets c to some arbitrary value
System.out.println(c);

System.out.println('h');
System.out.println('h' - 1);

c = 'd';
// Converts to uppercase:
System.out.println(c - 32); // casts to int
System.out.println((char)(c - 32));

c = 'K';
// Converts to lowercase:
// You do it

c = 't';
// Checks if c is a lowercase letter:
System.out.println((c >= 97) && (c <= 122));
System.out.println((c >= 'a') && (c <= 'z')); // more readable

c = '7';
// Checks if c is a digit:
// You do it
...
```

output

```
3
3
4
52
ሴ
h
103
68
D
true
true
```

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52	4	84	T	116	t
53	5	85	U	117	u
54	6	86	V	118	v
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57	9	89	Y	121	y
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A peek into how computers work (sneak preview)

```
int x = 97;  
System.out.println(x);
```



Internal view:

In memory, `x` stores the 32-bit, binary value of 97, which happens to be:
`00000000000000000000000000110001`

Anatomy of `System.out.println(x)`

- Java converts the code `00000000000000000000000000110001` to decimal; The result is 97
- Java enters a loop that iterates through all the digits of 97, left to right: first the 9, then the 7
 - Java looks up the ASCII / Unicode table, and finds that '9' is represented as 57
 - Java tells the OS “display the image of ASCII code 57”
 - The OS looks up 57 in the current font table, and sees that it is represented by a matrix of pixels that creates the image 9; it displays this image on the screen
 - Continues to do the same with '7', etc.
- The user sees **97** on the screen, completely unaware of the underlying drama.

Special characters

example:

```
System.out.println("I don't like\nthe word \"no\"");
```

I don't like
the word "no"

Escape Sequences

Escape Sequence	Description
\t	Insert a tab in the text at this point.
\b	Insert a backspace in the text at this point.
\n	Insert a newline in the text at this point.
\r	Insert a carriage return in the text at this point.
\f	Insert a formfeed in the text at this point.
\'	Insert a single quote character in the text at this point.
\"	Insert a double quote character in the text at this point.
\\\	Insert a backslash character in the text at this point.

Patterns that begin with a backslash (\) are called *escape sequences*

Plan

✓ ASCII / Unicode

✓ Characters

→ Strings

- String processing examples

Strings

```
String s1 = "As easy ";
```

s1:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	A	s		e	a	s	y	

high-level view

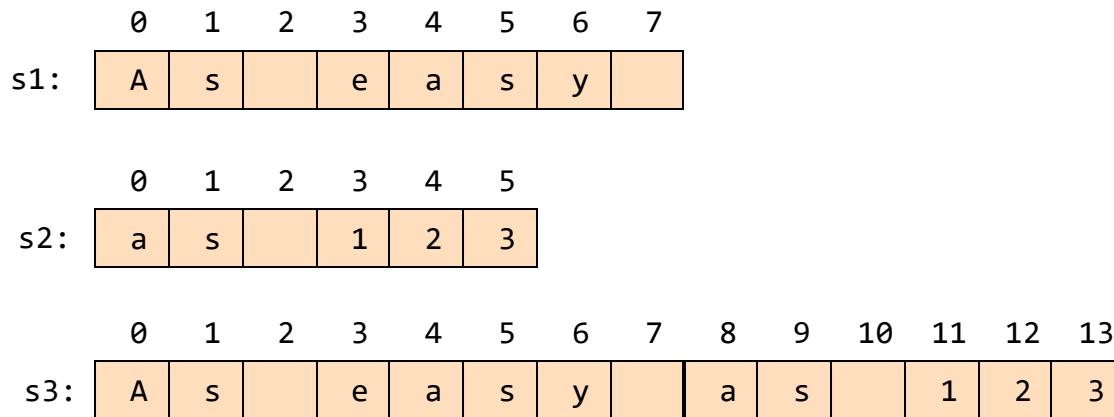
s1:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	65	115	32	101	97	115	121	32

low-level view

Dec Char	Dec Char
32 Space	96 `
33 !	97 a
34 "	98 b
35 #	99 c
36 \$	100 d
37 %	101 e
38 &	102 f
39 '	103 g
40 (104 h
41)	105 i
42 *	106 j
43 +	107 k
44 ,	108 l
45 -	109 m
46 .	110 n
47 /	111 o
48 0	112 p
49 1	113 q
50 2	114 r
51 3	115 s
52 4	116 t
53 5	117 u
54 6	118 v
55 7	119 w
56 8	120 x
57 9	121 y
58 :	...
59 ;	...

Strings

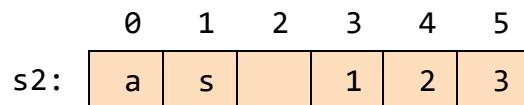
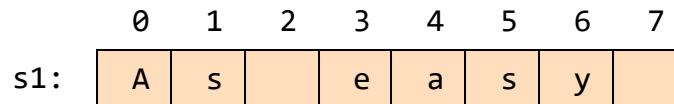
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String s3 = s1 + s2;
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Strings

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System.out.println(s1.charAt(3));
System.out.println(s1.substring(1,5));
System.out.println(s3.indexOf('a'));
```

8
e
s ea
4



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Method calls

8
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s ea
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- *Methods* are similar to *functions*
- Unlike functions, methods operate on objects
- In particular, string methods operate on string objects
- Instead of writing: `charAt(s1,3)`,
we write: `s1.charAt(3)`

Much more about objects and methods:
Second half of the course.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
s1:	A	s		e	a	s	y	

	0	1	2	3	4	5
s2:	a	s		1	2	3

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
s3:	A	s		e	a	s	y		a	s		1	2	3

Plan

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Example: Upcase

```
/** A library of string functions. */
public class MyString {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        System.out.println(upCase(args[0]));
    }

    /** Capitalizes the first letter in every word in the string. */
    public static String upCase(String str) {
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    public static String upCase(String str) {
        String ans = "" + (char) (str.charAt(0) - 32);
        int i = 1;
        while (i < str.length()) {
            char ch = str.charAt(i);
            if (ch == ' ') {
                ans = ans + ch + (char) (str.charAt(i + 1) - 32);
                i++;
            } else {
                ans = ans + ch;
            }
            i++;
        }
        return ans;
    }
}
```

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48	0	80	P
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50	2	82	R
51	3	83	S
52	4	84	T
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54	6	86	V
55	7	87	W
56	8	88	X
57	9	89	Y
58	:	90	Z
		110	n
		111	o
		112	p
		113	q
		114	r
		115	s
		116	t
		117	u
		118	v
		119	w
		120	x
		121	y
		122	z

```
% java MyString "it was the best of time"
It Was The Best Of Time
```

```
% java MyString "2 apples and 3 pears"
Apples and 0ears
```

Problems with this version of upCase

- Makes naïve assumptions about the input
- Does not handle white space and non-letter characters.

Example: Parsing

Task: Parse a string that has the following semantics:

char int char int char int ...

example:

```
% java Parse T5A12C432G3
```

Example: Parsing

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- The process of turning a stream of *characters* into a stream of *tokens*
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```
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T  
5  
A  
12  
C  
432  
G  
3
```

The program “tokenizes” the string, printing each token in a separate line.

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API:

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/** A string tokenizer. Returns the next token in a given string. */
public class Tokenizer {

    /** Initializes the Tokenizer to the given string (str). */
    public static void init(String str)

    /** Returns true if the string has more characters to process,
     *  false otherwise. */
    public static boolean hasMoreChars()

    /** Returns the next character in the string. */
    public static char nextChar()

    /** Returns the next int value in the string. */
    public static int nextInt()

    // More tokenizer functions...
}
```

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String s = args[0];  
// Initializes the Tokenizer to the given string  
Tokenizer.init(s);  
// Parses and prints the tokens  
while (Tokenizer.hasMoreChars()) {  
    System.out.println(Tokenizer.nextChar());  
    // Following the character, there must be an int value  
    System.out.println(Tokenizer.nextInt());  
}  
...  
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```

This code uses the Tokenizer functions as “black box abstractions”; It doesn’t know how they are implemented. It just knows the API.

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Let's open the black box

Example: Tokenizing

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public class Tokenizer {

    private static String str; // the string to parse
    private static int N;      // string length (number of characters)
    private static int cursor; // current position in the string

    /** Initializes the Tokenizer to the given string (str). */
    public static void init(String s) {
        str = s;
        N = str.length();
        cursor = 0;
    }

    /** Returns true if the string has more character to process, false otherwise. */
    public static boolean hasMoreChars() {
        // put your code here
    }

    /** Returns the next character in the string.
     * Should be called only if hasMoreChars() is true. */
    // Side effect: advances the cursor just beyond the character.
    public static char nextChar() {
        // put your code here
    }

    /** Returns the next int value in the string.
     * Should be called only if hasMoreChars() is true. */
    // Side effect: advances the cursor just beyond the integer.
    public static int nextInt() {
        // put your code here
    }

    // Returns true if the given character is a digit, false otherwise.
    private static boolean isDigit(char c) {
        // put your code here
    }
}
```

Class variables:

Can be accessed by any function in the class

Class members

Class variables and methods are sometimes called “class members”.

public: Can be accessed by members of any class; documented by the class API

private: Accessed only by members of this class. Called “helpers”, since they help implement other class members

(Notice the different documentation style of private and public members)

Completing the Tokenizer code:
Give it a try.