

Object-Oriented Programming (CS F213)

Module II: Arrays and Strings in Java

CS F213 RL 8.5: StringTokenizer class in Java

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#### **CS F213 RL 8.5 : Topics**

StringTokenizer class in Java



#### StringTokenizer class

- Used for Parsing a Formatted Input String and defined in java.util package
- Parsing: Division of text into set of discrete parts known as tokens
- Token convey a semantic meaning and represents a block of text
- Individual tokens are separated by <u>Delimiters</u>
- Delimiters can be specified by a delimiter String and each character in delimiter String is treated as a separate delimiter
- A provision is provided by which you can treat individual delimiters as tokens also
- Space , Tab, newline and carriage return << Default Set of Delimiters>>



#### **Example**

String str = "CS F213, 1683, Object-Oriented Programming, Lecture-Section 1; MWF, 9, 6163, NAB";

If white space character is taken as delimiter

Number of Tokens = 11

**Individual Tokens** 

{CS} {F213,} {1683,} {Object-Oriented} {Programming,} {Lecture-Section} {1;} {MWF,} {9,} {6163,} {NAB}

If Only Comma (,) is taken as delimiter:

Number of Tokens = 7

Individual Tokens

{CS F213} {1683} {Object-Oriented Programming} {Lecture-Section 1; MWF} {9} {6163} {NAB}

If Only Semicolon (;) is taken as delimiter

Number of Tokens = 2

Individual Tokens

{CS F213, 1683, Object-Oriented Programming, Lecture-Section 1} { MWF, 9, 6163, NAB}

If Both Comma(,) and Semicolon (;) are taken as delimiters:

Number of Tokens = 8

**Individual Tokens** 

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#### StringTokenizer: Constructors

- StringTokenizer(String str)
- 1. << str> String to be tokenized.
- 2. No delimiter is specified so white space character will be used as delimiter.
- 3. Delimiters will not be considered as tokens
- StringTokenizer(String str, String delimiters)
- 1. << delimiters>> specify a delimiter String. Single or multiple characters can be specified as delimiters.
- 2. If the <<delimiters>> String is ":,;" then colon (;), comma (,) and semicolon(;) are separately used as delimiters
- 3. Each character in the <<delimiters>> String is separately treated as a delimiters.
- 4. By Default Delimiters will not be considered as tokens
- StringTokennizer(String str, String delimiters, boolean delimAsToken)
- 1. First Two parameters are same as previous constructor.
- 2. Third parameter delimAsToken indicates whether delimiters are to be taken as tokens or not.
- 3. Delimiters will be considered as tokens if delimAsToken is true otherwise Delimiters will not be considered as tokens

# StringTokenizer : Importatnt Methods



- int countTokens() → Counts the number of tokens in StringTokenizer based upon delimiters
- boolean hasMoreTokens() / boolean hasMoreElements()
  - Helpful in parsing a String.
  - > Returns true if there are one or more tokens left otherwise false.
- String nextToken()
  - Returns the next token in String form
  - Used in conjunction with hasMoreTokens() method
- Object nextElement() → Same as nextToken() but returns next Token in Object Form not in String Form



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String str = "CS F213, 1683, Object-Oriented Programming, Lecture-Section 1; MWF, 9, 6163, NAB";
StringTokenizer strZ = new StringTokenizer(str); // Default Delimiter is white space
System.out.println("Number of Tokens:" + strZ.countTokens());
while(strZ.hasMoreTokens())
                                                                Number of Tokens:11
          System.out.println( strZ.nextToken());
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Number of Tokens:7
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String str = "CS F213, 1683, Object-Oriented Programming, Lecture-Section 1; MWF, 9, 6163, NAB";

StringTokenizer strZ = new StringTokenizer(str, ",;"); // Comma (,) and Semi-colon(;)as Delimters

System.out.println("Number of Tokens:" + strZ.countTokens());

while(strZ.hasMoreTokens())

System.out.println( strZ.nextToken());
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Number of Tokens:8
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String str = "CS F213, 1683, Object-Oriented Programming, Lecture-Section 1; MWF, 9, 6163, NAB";

StringTokenizer strZ = new StringTokenizer(str, "abc"); // Characters 'a' , 'b' and 'c' as Delimiters

System.out.println("Number of Tokens:" + strZ.countTokens());

while(strZ.hasMoreTokens())

System.out.println( strZ.nextToken());
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Number of Tokens:6 CS F213, 1683, O je t-Oriented Progr mming, Le ture-Se tion 1; MWF, 9, 6163, NAB



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String str = "CS F213, 1683, Object-Oriented Programming, Lecture-Section 1; MWF, 9, 6163, NAB";
StringTokenizer strZ = new StringTokenizer(str, "abc",true);
// Characters 'a', 'b' and 'c' as Delimiters. Individual delimiters are also considered as tokens
System.out.println("Number of Tokens:" + strZ.countTokens());
while(strZ.hasMoreTokens())
                                                              Number of Tokens:11
          System.out.println( strZ.nextToken());
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