# C# and Microsoft .NET Strings

Microsoft .NET

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#### Last time...

- Bits and Bytes
- Base Data Types
  - Boolean
  - Integer numbers
  - Real numbers
  - Characters and Strings
  - Enumerations
  - Structs (not really)
  - Objects (not really)

- Variables
- Value vs. Reference Types (not really)
- Operators (==, +, &&, etc.)
- Console... something ©
- Math... something ©

....homework © © ©

#### Overview

- String Data Type Reference or Value?
- Represent a set of characters (aka text ☺)
- Strings are Unicode (UTF-16)
- Strings are immutable

## **Creation of Strings**

- Initialization
- The + operator
  - **+=**
  - Automatic type conversion
- The String.Concat static method
- StringBuilder
  - Append, Remove, Insert, Replace methods
  - ToString() methods

## **Comparing Strings**

- String.IsNullOrEmpty(...)
  - What is the default value?
  - Why can a String have null value
  - What's the difference between "" and null
- Comparing strings
  - \_ ==
  - String.Equals(...)
  - String.Compare(...)

# Searching in Strings

```
The Contains method
 "This is a text".Contains("is a")
The StartsWith method
 "This is a text". StartsWith("This")
The EndsWith method
 "This is a text". EndsWith("xt")
The IndexOf method
 "This is a text".IndexOf("is")
 "This is a text". IndexOf("is", 3)
The LastIndexOf method
 "This is a text".LastIndexOf("is")
```

## **Changing Strings**

```
The Substring() method
    "This is a text".Substring(0, 4)
    "This is a text".Substring(4)
```

- The Insert() method
  string line = "This is a text";
  line = line.Insert(10, "short ");
- The Remove() method
  string line = "This is a short text";
  line = line.Remove(10, 6);

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The Replace() method
string line = "This is a short text";
line = line.Replace("short", "very long");
```

- The ToLower() and ToUpper() methods
- Trimming strings
  - What is a whitespace
  - What is a trim character
  - The Trim() method
  - The TrimEnd() method
  - The TrimStart() method

### **Formatting**

- String.Format(...)
- Custom String Formatting
  - C: 123.456 ("C", en-US) -> \$123.46
  - D: -1234 ("D6") -> -001234
  - F: 1234.567 ("F", en-US) -> 1234.57
  - N: 1234.567 ("N", en-US) -> 1,234.57
  - P: 1 ("P", en-US) -> 100.00 %
  - The 0, . and the # signs
- String Interpolation

#### Globalization

- What is Globalization
- What is a Culture
- CultureInfo
   10.ToString("N", CultureInfo.InvariantCulture))
- GetCultures()

