# CS6308- Java Programming

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MODULE II	JAVA OBJECTS -1	L	T	P	EL
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Classes and Objects, Constructor, Destructor, Static instances, this, constants, Thinking in Objects, String class, Text I/O

#### SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES:

- Flipped classroom
- Practical Implementation of Java programs using String class, Creating Classes and objects
- EL Thinking in Objects

#### SUGGESTED EVALUATION METHODS:

- Assignment problems
- Quizzes

# String handling in java

## Strings

- In Java a string is a sequence of characters.
- In Java a string is an Object
  - Other languages that implement strings as character arrays
- Strings are Immutable.
  - String object that is created cannot be changed.
- However, a variable declared as a String reference can be changed to point at some other String object at any time.

## Strings

- String can be created using three string classes namely String,
   StringBuffer and StringBuilder
- Use the class called StringBuffer to perform changes in original strings.
- String, StringBuilder and StringBuffer classes are declared final and there cannot be subclasses of these classes.
- The String, StringBuffer, and StringBuilder classes are defined in java.lang.
- Java.lang is the default package in java
- Java.lang is automatically imported without needing to explicitly import classes from this package
  - Common classes in lang are String, Math, System, Object, Thread

## **Creating Strings**

- The default constructor creates an empty string object.
  - String s = new String();
- Create string object that have initial values from a character array
  - •String s= new String(char[] chars)
- Create string object using String literals
  - •String s = "String Literal";
- •Examples: String str = "abc"; char data[] = {'a', 'b', 'c'}; String str = new String(data);
- Construct a string object by passing another string object.
  - String(String strObj)
  - Example: String str2 = new String(str);

## String memory

- The string pool or string constant pool, is a special area of the heap where Java stores unique string literals.
- String pool helps in saving memory and improving performance by avoiding duplicate strings.
- The heap is the runtime data area from which memory for all class instances and arrays is allocated.
- Strings created using the new keyword are allocated on the heap

```
public class StringExample {
public static void main(String[] args) {
  String str1 = new String("hello"); // String created in the heap
  String str2 = "hello"; // string literal created in string pool of heap
  String str3 = "hello"; // Reuses the interned string literal
System.out.println(str1 == str2);
System.out.println(str1 == str3);
                                                 false
System.out.println(str1.equals(str2));
                                                                        String
                                                                                     Heap
                                                 true
System.out.println(str1.equals(str3));
                                                                         pool
                                                 true
}}
```

```
public class StringExample {
       public static void main(String[] args) {
            String stringLiteral="Java"; //String literals
            String stringObject=new String( original: "Java"); //String Object
            String stringObject1=new String(stringLiteral); //passing String object
            char[] chararray={'J', 'a', 'v', 'a'};
            String stringObject2=new String(chararray); //passing String object
            //String stringLiteral2=chararray; error java: incompatible types: char[] cannot be convert
            String stringLiteral2=stringObject1;
            String stringLiteral3=stringObject;
            System.out.println("Address of stringObject1: " + System.identityHashCode(stringObject1));
            stringObject1=stringLiteral;
            System.out.println("Address of stringObject1: " + System.identityHashCode(stringObject1));
            System.out.println(stringLiteral.equals(stringObject2));
            System.out.println(stringLiteral.equals(chararray));
            System.out.println("Address of stringLiteral: " + System.identityHashCode(stringLiteral));
            System.out.println("Address of stringLitera2: " + System.identityHashCode(stringLiteral2));
            System.out.println("Address of stringLitera3: " + System.identityHashCode(stringLiteral3));
            System.out.println("Address of stringObject: " + System.identityHashCode(stringObject));
            System.out.println("Address of stringObject1: " + System.identityHashCode(stringObject1));
            System.out.println("Address of stringObject2: " + System.identityHashCode(stringObject2));
```

```
Address of stringObject1: 245257410
Address of stringObject1: 1023892928
true
false
Address of stringLiteral: 1023892928
Address of stringLitera2: 245257410
Address of stringLitera3: 558638686
Address of stringObject: 558638686
Address of stringObject1: 1023892928
Address of stringObject2: 1149319664
```

Since char is not String type and hence equals method return false

## **Creating Strings**

- To specify a subrange of a character array as an initializer using the following constructor:
  - String(char chars[], int startIndex, int numChars)
- Here, startIndex specifies the index at which the subrange begins, and numChars specifies the number of characters to use.
- Examples:

```
char arr[] = {'J', 'A', 'V', 'A'};
String str = new String(arr,2,1);
String str11 = new String(arr,2,2);
System.out.println(arr);
System.out.println(str);
System.out.println(str11);
```



## **Creating Strings**

- String class provides constructors that initialize a string when given a byte array.
  - String(byte chrs[])
  - String(byte chrs[], int startIndex, int numChars)
    - Here, chrs specifies the array of bytes. The second form allows you to specify a subrange.
  - Examples:

Full value ABCD
Partial values: BCD

```
class PrintStringValues{
   public static void main(String args[]) {
     byte[] values = {65, 66,67, 68};
     String fullValues = new String(values);
     System.out.println("Full value " + fullValues);
     String partialValue = new String(values, 1, 3);
     System.out.println("Partial values: " + partialValue);
   }
}
```

## String METHODS

- int length()
  - The length() method returns the length of the string.

Eg: System.out.println("Hello".length()); // prints 5

```
char vowels[] = { 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u' };
String vowelString = new String(vowels);
System.out.println("Number of vowels: " +
vowelString.length());
```

The + operator is used to concatenate two or more strings.

```
Eg: String name = "Harry"
```

```
String str = "Name : " + name+ ".";
```

 Java compiler converts an operand to a String whenever the other operand of the + is a String object.

### String Concatenation with Other Data Types

```
double temperature = 25.5;
String weather = "The temperature is " + temperature + " degrees Celsius.";
System.out.println(weather);
String result = "Sum:" + (10 + 20);
System.out.println(result);
// output
// Sum: 30
// rather than
// Sum: 1020
String resultWithParentheses = "Sum: " + ((10 + 20));
// Now resultWithParentheses contains the string "Sum: 30".
```

## String Conversion and toString()

- To determine the string representation for objects of classes that is created.
- Classes that is created has to override toString() and provide your own string representations.
- The toString() method has this general form:
  - String toString()
  - can be used in print() and println() statements and in concatenation expressions.

```
class Car {
                                 String toString()
  String make;
  String model;
  int year;
  Car(String make, String model, int year) {
    this.make = make;
    this.model = model;
                                                             2022 Toyota Corolla
    this.year = year;
                                                             My car: 2022 Toyota Corolla
  public String toString() {
    return year + " " + make + " " + model;
class CarDemo {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    Car myCar = new Car("Toyota", "Corolla", 2022);
    String carDescription = "My car: " + myCar;
    System.out.println(myCar); // implicitly calls toString()
    System.out.println(carDescription);
```

- The String class provides a number of ways in which characters can be extracted from a String object.
- The characters that comprise a string within a String object cannot be indexed as if they were a character array.
- Many of the String methods employ an index (or offset) into the string for their operation.
- Like arrays, the string indexes begin at zero.

- public char charAt(int INDEX)
  - Returns the character at the specified index.
  - INDEX is the index of the character that is to be to obtained.
  - An index ranges from 0 to length() 1.

```
char ch;
ch = "XYZ".charAt(1); // ch = "Y"
```

#### Method getChars

```
Get entire set of characters in String void getChars(int sourceStart, int sourceEnd, char target[], int targetStart) s1.getChars( start, end, charArray, start);
```

```
compareTo()
int compareTo(String str)
Here, str is the String being compared with the invoking String.
```

```
public class StringExample2 {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    //character extraction
    String email = "contact@example.com";
    int start=8;
    int end=15;
    char buffer[] = new char[end - start];
    email.getChars(start, end, buffer,0);
    System.out.println("Domain: " + new String(buffer));
  }
}
```

Domain: example

### Searching Strings

```
int indexOf(int ch):
          Finds the first occurrence of a character.
        // Here ch is represented by its Unicode code point
        // example '@' is represented by its Unicode code point 64
int indexOf(String str):
          Finds the first occurrence of a substring.
int lastIndexOf(int ch):
          Finds the last occurrence of a character.
int lastIndexOf(String str):
          Finds the last occurrence of a substring.
int indexOf(int ch, int fromIndex):
          Finds the first occurrence starting from a specified index.
int lastIndexOf(int ch, int fromIndex):
          Finds the last occurrence searching backward from a specified index.
boolean contains(CharSequence sequence):
          Checks if a substring is present.
boolean startsWith(String prefix):
          Checks if the string starts with a specified prefix.
boolean endsWith(String suffix):
          Checks if the string ends with a specified suffix.
```

```
public class StringExample3 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
      String email = "contact@domain.com";
      System.out.println("email:"+ email);
      int atIndex = email.indexOf('@'); // 1. indexOf(int ch)
      System.out.println("Index of '@': " + atIndex);
      int domainIndex = email.indexOf("domain"); // 2. indexOf(String str)
      System.out.println("Index of 'domain': " + domainIndex);
      int lastDotIndex = email.lastIndexOf('.'); // 3. lastIndexOf(int ch)
      System.out.println("Last index of '.': " + lastDotIndex);
      int lastDomainIndex = email.lastIndexOf("domain"); // 4. lastIndexOf(String str)
      System.out.println("Last index of 'domain': " + lastDomainIndex);
      int atIndexAfter5 = email.indexOf('@', 5); // 5. indexOf(int ch, int fromIndex)
      System.out.println("Index of '@' after index 5: " + atIndexAfter5);
      int lastDotIndexBefore15 = email.lastIndexOf('.', 15); // 6. lastIndexOf(int ch, int fromIndex)
      System.out.println("Last index of '.' before index 15: " + lastDotIndexBefore15);
      boolean containsDomain = email.contains("domain"); // 7. contains(CharSequence seq)
      System.out.println("Contains 'domain': " + containsDomain);
      boolean startsWithContact = email.startsWith("contact"); // 8. startsWith(String prefix)
      System.out.println("Starts with 'contact': " + startsWithContact);
      boolean endsWithCom = email.endsWith(".com"); // 9. endsWith(String suffix)
      System.out.println("Ends with '.com': " + endsWithCom);
```

email:contact@domain.com

Index of '@': 7

Index of 'domain': 8

Last index of '.': 14

Last index of 'domain': 8

Index of '@' after index 5: 7

Last index of '.' before index 15: 14

Contains 'domain': true

Starts with 'contact': true

Ends with '.com': true

```
class EmailExtractor {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    String email = "contact@example.com";
    int atIndex = email.indexOf('@');
    int dotIndex = email.lastIndexOf('.');
    char domain[] = new char[dotIndex - atIndex - 1];
    email.getChars(atIndex + 1, dotIndex, domain, 0);
    System.out.println("Domain: " + new String(domain));
```

Domain: example

```
public class StringSort {
   public static void main(String[] args) {
       String[] cskPlayers = {"Dhoni","Ruturaj","Stokes","Rachin","Ambati"};
      for(int j = 0; j < cskPlayers.length; j++) {</pre>
          for(int i = j + 1; i <cskPlayers.length; i++) {</pre>
             if(cskPlayers[i].compareTolgnoreCase(cskPlayers[j] )< 0) {</pre>
               String t =cskPlayers[j];
               cskPlayers[j] = cskPlayers[i];
               cskPlayers[i] = t;
          System.out.println(cskPlayers[j]);
```

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### getBytes()

- There is an alternative to getChars() that stores the characters in an array of bytes.
- This method is called getBytes(), and it uses the default character-to-byte conversions provided by the platform.
- Here is its simplest form:
  - byte[] getBytes()
- getBytes() is most useful when you are exporting a String value into an environment that does not support 16-bit Unicode characters.

### toCharArray()

- To convert all the characters in a String object into a character array, the easiest way is to call toCharArray().
- It returns an array of characters for the entire string.
- It has this general form:
  - char[] toCharArray()
- This function is provided as a convenience, since it is possible to use getChars() to achieve the same result.

• equals() - Compares the invoking string to the specified object. The result is true if and only if the argument is not null and is a String object that represents the same sequence of characters as the invoking object.

public boolean equals(Object anObject)

- equalsIgnoreCase()- Compares this String to another String, ignoring case considerations.
  - When it compares two strings, it considers A-Z to be the same as a-z.
  - Two strings are considered equal ignoring case if they are of the same length, and corresponding characters in the two strings are equal ignoring case.

public boolean equalsIgnoreCase(String anotherString)

#### regionMatches()

- The regionMatches() method compares a specific region inside a string with another specific region in another string.
- There is an overloaded form that allows you to ignore case in such comparisons.
- Here are the general forms for these two methods:

boolean regionMatches(int startIndex, String str, int strStartIndex, int numChars)

boolean regionMatches(boolean ignoreCase, int startIndex, String str, int strStartIndex, int numChars)

- For both versions, startIndex specifies the index at which the region begins within the invoking String object.
- The String being compared is specified by str.
- •The index at which the comparison will start within str is specified by strStartIndex.
- •The length of the substring being compared is passed in numChars.
- •In the second version, if ignoreCase is true, the case of the characters is ignored. Otherwise, case is significant.

```
public class RegionMatchesExample {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
                                             Case-sensitive match: false
    String str1 = "Hello World";
                                             Case-insensitive match: true
    String str2 = "world";
                                             Exact length match: true
    String str3 = "Hello";
    // Case-sensitive match
   // 'World' starting from index 5 of str1 compared to 'world'
    boolean result1 = str1.regionMatches(6, str2, 0, 5);
    System.out.println("Case-sensitive match: " + result1);
    // Case-insensitive match
    boolean result2 = str1.regionMatches(true, 6, str2, 0, 5);
  // 'World' starting from index 5 of str1 compared to 'world' ignoring case
    System.out.println("Case-insensitive match: " + result2);
    // Checking a specific region with exact length
    boolean result3 = str1.regionMatches(0, str3, 0, 5);
   // 'Hello' starting from index 0 of str1 compared to 'Hello'
    System.out.println("Exact length match: " + result3);
```

• startsWith() - Tests if this string starts with the specified prefix.

```
public boolean startsWith(String prefix)
"Figure".startsWith("Fig"); // true
```

endsWith() - Tests if this string ends with the specified suffix.

```
public boolean endsWith(String suffix)
"Figure".endsWith("re"); // true
```

- boolean startsWith(String str, int startIndex)
  - •Example: "Foobar".startsWith("bar", 3) => returns true.

- compareTo() Compares two strings.
  - A string is less than another if it comes before the other in dictionary order.
  - A string is greater than another if it comes after the other in dictionary order
  - The result is a negative integer if this String object lexicographically precedes the argument string.
  - The result is a positive integer if this String object lexicographically follows the argument string.
  - The result is zero if the strings are equal.
  - compareTo returns 0 exactly when the equals(Object) method would return true.

public int compareTo(String anotherString) public int compareToIgnoreCase(String str)

### Modifying a String

 substring() - Returns a new string that is a substring of this string. The substring begins with the character at the specified index and extends to the end of this string.

```
public String substring(int beginIndex)

Eg: "unhappy".substring(2)

returns "happy"

public String substring(int beginIndex, int endIndex)

Eg: "smiles".substring(1, 5)

returns "mile"
```

```
class CharReplace {
  public static void main(String args[]) {
    String org = "Hello, World! Hello, Java!";
    char search = 'o';
    char sub = '0';
    StringBuilder result = new StringBuilder();
    int i;
    do { // replace all matching characters
       System.out.println(org);
       i = org.indexOf(search);
       if(i != -1) {
         result = new StringBuilder(org.substring(0, i));
         result.append(sub);
         result.append(org.substring(i + 1));
         org = result.toString();
    } while(i != -1);
```

Hello, World! Hello, Java! Hello, World! Hello, Java! Hello, World! Hello, Java! Hello, World! Hello, Java! Hello, World! Hello, Java!

## **String METHODS**

Method call	Meaning	
S2=s1.toLowerCase()	Convert string s1 to lowercase	
S2=s1.toUpperCase()	Convert string s1 to uppercase	
S2=s1.repalce("x", "y")	Replace occurrence x with y	
S2=s1.trim()	Remove whitespaces at the beginning and end of the string s1	
S1.equals(s2)	If s1 equals to s2 return true	
S1.equalsIgnoreCase(s2)	If s1==s2 then return true with irrespective of case of charecters	
S1.length()	Give length of s1	
S1.CharAt(n)	Give nth character of s1 string	
S1.compareTo(s2)	If s1 <s2 -ve<br="">no If s1&gt;s2 +ve no If s1==s2 then 0</s2>	
S1.concat(s2)	Concatenate s1 and s2	
S1.substring(n)	Give substring staring from nth character	

- concat() Concatenates the specified string to the end of this string.
- If the length of the argument string is 0, then this String object is returned.
- Otherwise, a new String object is created, containing theinvoking string with the contents of the str appended to it.

```
public String concat(String str)
"to".concat("get").concat("her")
returns "together"
```

- replace()- Returns a new string resulting from replacing all occurrences of oldChar in this string with newChar.
- public String replace(char oldChar, char newChar)
- "iam aq iqdiaq " .replace("q', "n') //returns "I am an indian"

 trim() - Returns a copy of the string, with leading and trailing whitespace omitted.

System.out.println(s.trim());

```
public String trim()

String s=" Hi mom";

System.out.println(s);
```

Hi mom Hi mom

 valueOf() – Returns the string representation of the char array argument.

public static String valueOf(char[] data)

- toLowerCase(): Converts all of the characters in a String to lower case.
- toUpperCase(): Converts all of the characters in this String to upper case.

```
public class CharacterMethodsExample {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    char[] characters = {'a', '1', ' ', 'A', 'b', 'D', 'z', '@', '9', '1', '_'};
      for (char ch : characters) {
      System.out.println("Character: " + ch);
      System.out.println("Is Letter: " + Character.isLetter(ch)); // isLetter(char ch)
      System.out.println("Is Digit: " + Character.isDigit(ch)); // isDigit(char ch)
     System.out.println("Is Whitespace: "+Character.isWhitespace(ch)); // isWhitespace(char ch)
     System.out.println("Is Upper Case: " + Character.isUpperCase(ch)); // isUpperCase(char ch)
      System.out.println("Is Lower Case: " + Character.isLowerCase(ch)); // isLowerCase(char ch)
     System.out.println("To Upper Case: " + Character.toUpperCase(ch)); // toUpperCase(char ch)
    System.out.println("To Lower Case: " + Character.toLowerCase(ch)); // toLowerCase(char ch)
System.out.println("Is Letter or Digit: " + Character.isLetterOrDigit(ch));// isLetterOrDigit(char ch)
```

```
public class ValidationExample {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
         String phoneNumber = "+1234567890";
         validatePhoneNumber(phoneNumber); }
public static void validatePhoneNumber(
String phoneNumber) {
 // Remove non-numeric characters manually
 String cleanedNumber = "";
for (char c : phoneNumber.toCharArray()) {
    if (Character.isDigit(c)) {
    cleanedNumber += c;
 // Check if cleaned number has exactly 10 digits
  if (cleanedNumber.length() == 10) {
    System.out.println("Phone number is valid.");
else
    System.out.println("Invalid phone number. It should be exactly 10 digits long.");
```

```
public static void validatePassword(String password) {
    if (password.length() < 8) {
      System.out.println("Invalid password. It must be at least 8 characters long.");
      return;
    boolean hasUpperCase = false; boolean hasLowerCase = false;
    boolean hasDigit = false; boolean hasSpecialChar = false;
    boolean hasSpace = false;
    for (char c : password.toCharArray()) {
      if (Character.isUpperCase(c)) {
         hasUpperCase = true;
      } else if (Character.isLowerCase(c)) {
         hasLowerCase = true;
                                               if (hasSpace) {
      } else if (Character.isDigit(c)) {
                                                     System.out.println("Invalid password.");
         hasDigit = true;
      } else if (c == '@' | | c == '#'
                                              else if (hasUpperCase && hasLowerCase &&
|| c == '$' || c == '%' ) {
                                              hasDigit && hasSpecialChar) {
         hasSpecialChar = true;
                                                     System.out.println("Password is valid.");
      } else if (Character.isWhitespace(c)) {
                                                   } else {
         hasSpace = true;
                                                     System.out.println("Invalid password.");
         break;
```

Method	Description	Example
int codePointCount(int beginIndex, int endIndex)	Returns the number of Unicode code points in the specified text range.	<pre>int count = exampleString.codePointCount (0, 5); // Returns 5</pre>
int codePointBefore(int index)	Returns the Unicode code point before the specified index in the string.	<pre>int codePoint = exampleString.codePointBefor e(6); // output 32(Unicode of space)</pre>
int codePointAt(int index)	Returns the Unicode code point at the specified index.	<pre>int codePoint = exampleString.codePointAt(5); // output: 32(space character)</pre>
int codePointCount(int beginIndex, int endIndex)	Returns the number of Unicode code points in the specified text range	<pre>int count = exampleString.codePointCount (0, 5); // Output: 5</pre>
boolean contentEquals(CharSequence str)	Compares the content of the string with the specified str.	<pre>boolean result = exampleString.contentEquals(" Hello World"); // Output: true</pre>

Method	Description	Example
String format(Locale loc, String frmstr, Object args)	Returns a formatted string using the specified loc, format string, and arguments.	String formatted = String.format(Locale.US, "Formatted example: %s", exampleString); //output: "Formatted example: Hello World"
boolean contains(CharSequence str)	Checks if the string contains the specified str of characters.	<pre>boolean result = exampleString.contains("World "); // Returns true</pre>
String format(String format, Object args)	Returns a formatted string using the specified format string and arguments.	String formatted = String.format("Message: %s", "Hello World"); // Returns "Message: Hello World"
boolean isEmpty()	Checks if the string is empty (""). Returns true if the string is empty, otherwise false.	<pre>boolean result = "Hello World".isEmpty(); // Returns false</pre>

Method	Description	Example
Stream <string> lines()</string>	Returns a stream of lines extracted from the string, split by line separators.	"Hello\nWorld".lines().forEach( System.out::println); // Output: "Hello" // Output: "World"
String replaceFirst(String regex, String replacement)	Replaces the first substring that matches the given regular expression with the specified replacement string.	String replaced = exampleString.replaceFirst("He llo", "Hi"); // Returns "Hi World, Hello Universe"
String replaceAll(String regex, String replacement)	Replaces all substrings that match the given regular expression with the specified replacement string.	String replaced = exampleString.replaceAll("Hell o", "Hi"); // Returns "Hi World, Hi Universe"
String[] split(String regex)	Splits the string around matches of the given regular expression and returns an array of substrings.	<pre>String[] parts = exampleString.split(" "); // Returns ["Hello", "World,", "Hello", "Universe"]</pre>

## Wrapper class

- To handle primitive data types java support it by using wrapper class.
- java provides the mechanism to convert primitive into object and object into primitive.
- autoboxing and unboxing feature converts primitive into object and object into primitive automatically.
- The automatic conversion of primitive into object is known and autoboxing and viceversa unboxing.

## Example of wrapper class

```
public class Wrapper{
public static void main(String args[]){
//Converting int into Integer
int k=20;
Integer i=new Integer(k); //converting int into Integer
Integer j=k;//autoboxing, compiler will write Integer.valueOf(a) internally
System.out.println(k+" "+i+" "+j);
}}
Output:
20 20 20
```