

Method	Description
<code>int lastIndexOf(Char ch);</code>	returns index of last occurrence of the specified character if the specified character is not available then return -1.

String Buffer:

- If a user wants to change the content frequently then it is recommended to go for StringBuffer.
- StringBuffer objects are mutable, so they can be modified.
- We can create a StringBuffer object by using new operator and pass the string to the object, as:

`StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer ("Sujatha");`

- The default initial capacity of a StringBuffer is "16".
- After reaching its maximum limit it will be increased to $(\text{currentcapacity} + 1) * 2$. ie; $(16 + 1) * 2$.

StringBuffer Methods

Method	Description
<code>int length()</code>	Return the no of characters present in the StringBuffer
<code>int capacity()</code>	Returns how many characters a StringBuffer can hold
<code>char charAt(int index)</code>	Returns the character located at specified index.
<code>void setCharAt(int index, char ch)</code>	Replaces the character locating at specified index with the provided character.
<code>delete(int begin,int end)</code>	Deletes characters from begin index to end n-1 index.
<code>deleteCharAt(int index)</code>	Deletes the character locating at specified index
<code>reverse()</code>	Reverses the given StringBuffer

Method	Description
<code>void setLength(int length)</code>	Consider only specified no of characters and remove all the remaining characters
<code>void ensureCapacity(int initialcapacity);</code>	To increase the capacity dynamically based on our requirement.

StringBuilder

- String Builder will be having same methods as of StringBuffer except the following differences.

StringBuffer	StringBuilder
Every method present in StringBuffer is synchronized.	No method present in StringBuilder is synchronized.
At a time only one thread is allowed to operate on the StringBuffer object hence StringBuffer object is Thread safe.	At a time Multiple Threads are allowed to operate simultaneously on the StringBuilder object hence StringBuilder is not Thread safe.
It increases waiting time of the Thread and hence relatively performance is low.	Threads are not required to wait and hence relatively performance is high.
Introduced in 1.0 version.	Introduced in 1.5 versions.

Differences b/w String, StringBuffer & String Builder

- String is **immutable** while StringBuffer and StringBuilder is **mutable** object.
- StringBuffer is **synchronized** while StringBuilder is **not** which makes
StringBuilder faster than StringBuffer.
- Use String if you require immutability use StringBuffer in java if you need
mutable + thread-safety and use StringBuilder in Java if you require mutable +
without thread-safety.