Manipulating Text

An Interesting Article

"How Revolutionary Tools Cracked a 1700s Code"

http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/25/science/25code.html

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Announcements

- Breakout! due this Friday at 3:15PM.
 - Stop by the LaIR with questions!
 - Gil and I have office hours please feel free to stop by!
- YEAH hours (assignment review) for Breakout! tonight in Herrin T-175, 7PM – 9PM.
 - Materials will be posted online.
 - Unfortunately, not recorded.

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Midterm Logistics

- Midterm is next Monday, February 11 from 7PM - 10PM (location TBA).
 - Open-book, open-note, closed-computer.
 - Covers material up through and including Wednesday's lecture.
- Practice exam available now; solutions will be released on Wednesday.
- If you need to take the exam at an alternate time, email Gil (gilsho@stanford.edu) no later than Wednesday at 12:50PM.
 - Gil will send out an email about this.

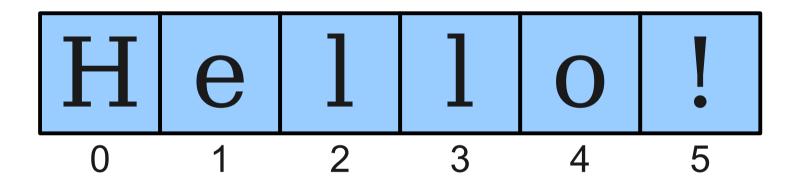
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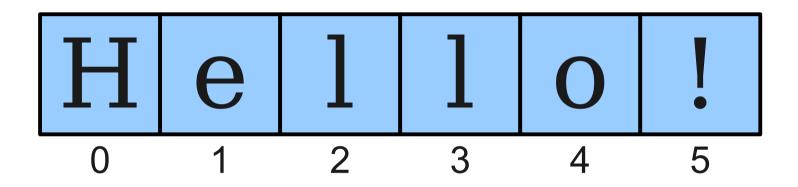


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Hello!





string.charAt(index)

The Data Type char

- The primitive type **char** represents a single character or glyph.
- Some examples:

char letterA = 'A';

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char plus = '+'
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char zero = '0';

Escape Sequences

- An **escape sequence** is a sequence of characters in a program's source code that represents a single logical character.
- Examples:
 - \t: Horizontal tab
 - \n: Newline
 - \': Single quote
 - \": Double quote

Highlights from Character

static boolean isDigit(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a digit.

static boolean isLetter(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a letter.

static boolean isLetterOrDigit(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a letter or a digit.

static boolean isLowerCase(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is a lowercase letter.

static boolean isUpperCase(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is an uppercase letter.

static boolean isWhitespace(char ch)

Determines if the specified character is whitespace (spaces and tabs).

static char toLowerCase(char ch)

Converts **ch** to its lowercase equivalent, if any. If not, **ch** is returned unchanged.

static char toUpperCase(char ch)

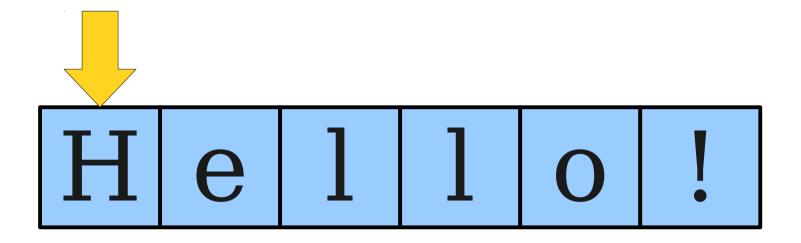
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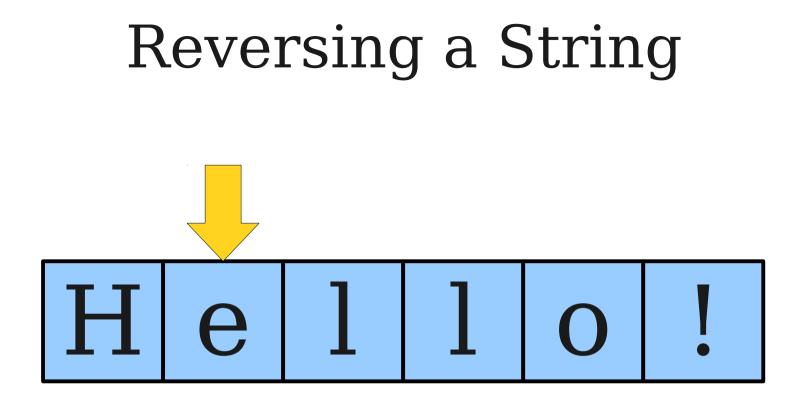
Based on slides by Eric Roberts and Mehran Sahami

Strings are Immutable

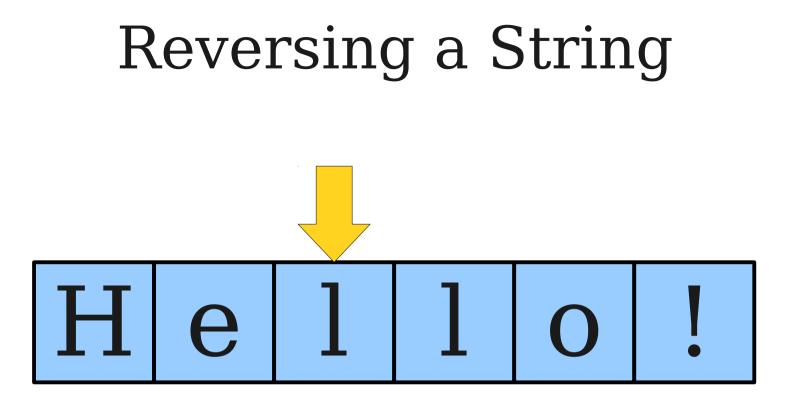
- Java strings are **immutable**: once a string has been created, its contents cannot change.
- To change a string:
 - Create a new string holding the new value you want it to have.
 - Reassign the **String** variable to hold the new value.

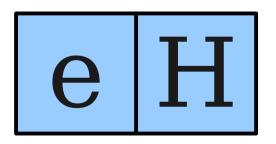
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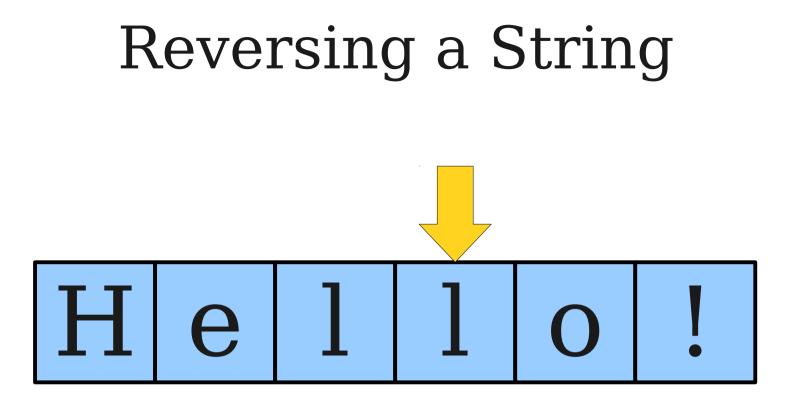


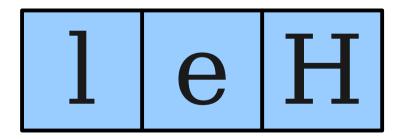


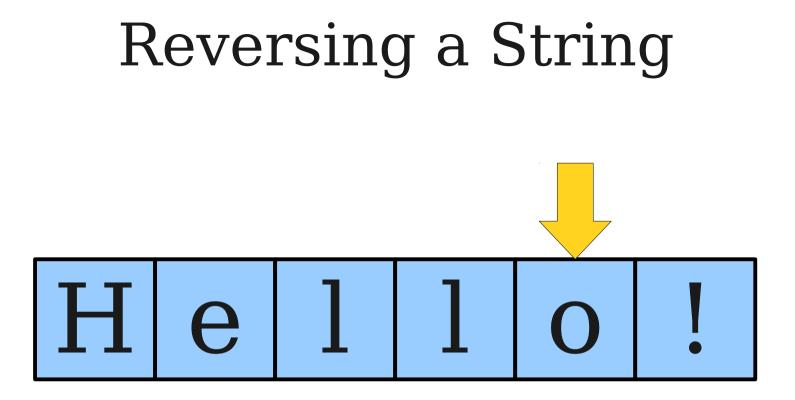


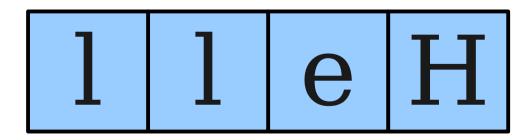


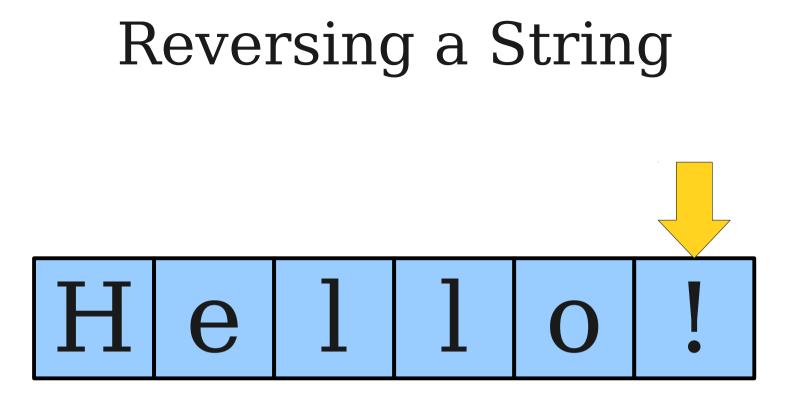


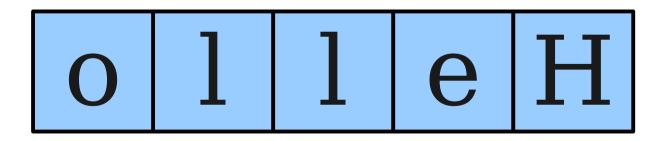




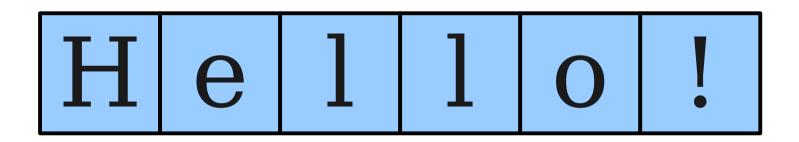


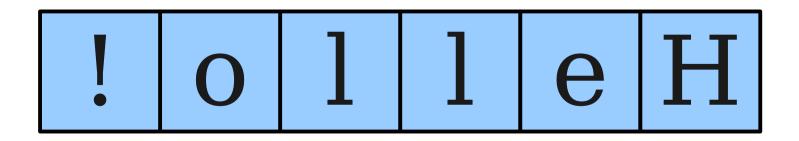






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Palindromes

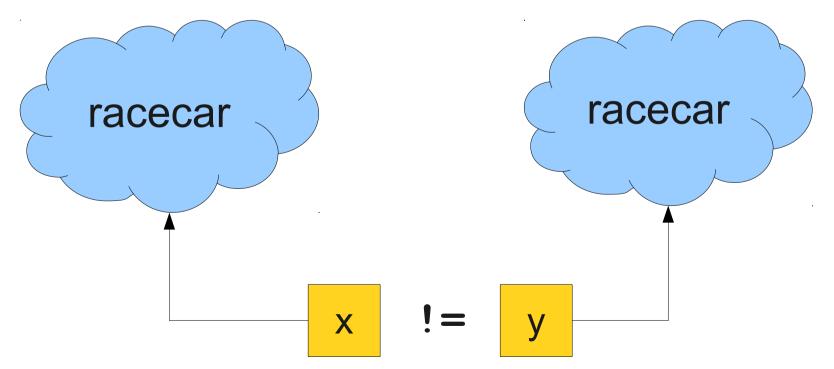
- A **palindrome** is a string that reads the same forwards and backwards.
- For example:
 - Racecar
 - Kayak
 - Mr. Owl ate my metal worm.
 - Go hang a salami! I'm a lasagna hog.

Checking for Palindromes

What Went Wrong?

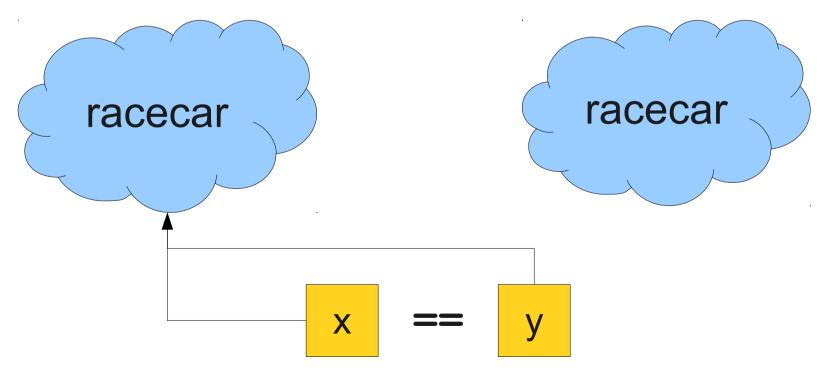
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Comparing Strings for Equality

• To determine if two strings are equal, use the .equals() method:

String s1 = "racecar";
String s2 = reverseString(s1);
if (s1.equals(s2)) {
 /* ... s1 and s2 are equal ... */
}