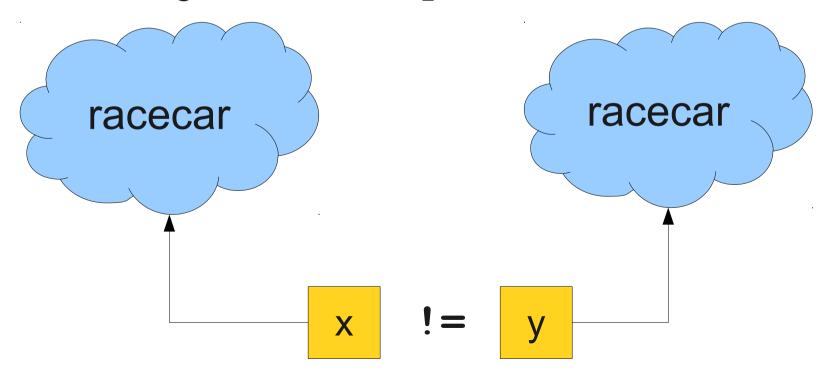
## File Processing

Review from Last Time

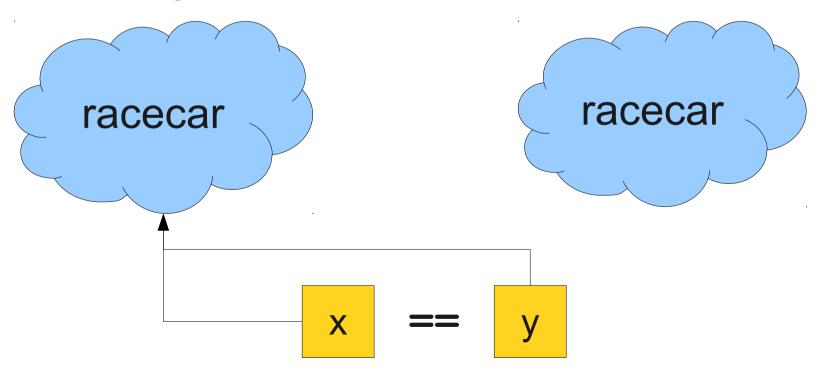
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### Comparing Strings for Equality

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

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

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#### Searching a String

 You can search a string for a particular character or string by using the indexOf method:

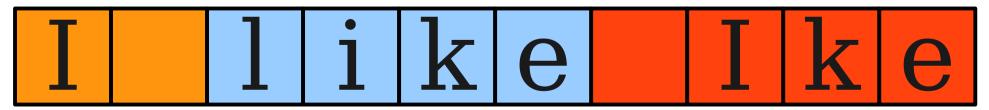
#### string.indexOf(pattern)

- indexOf returns the index of the first match if one exists.
- Otherwise, it returns -1 as a sentinel.

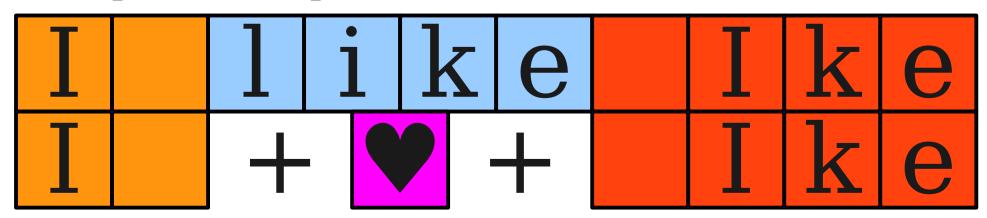
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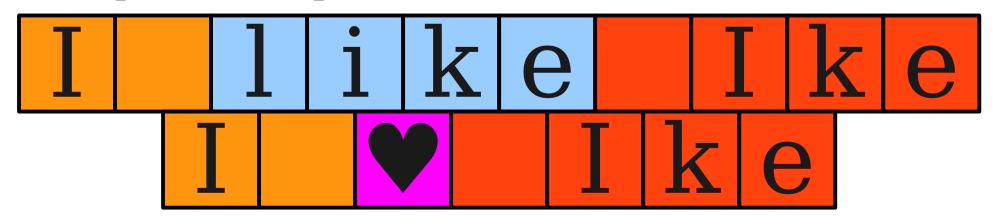
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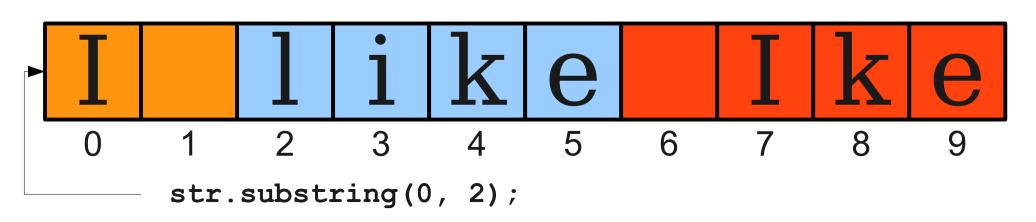
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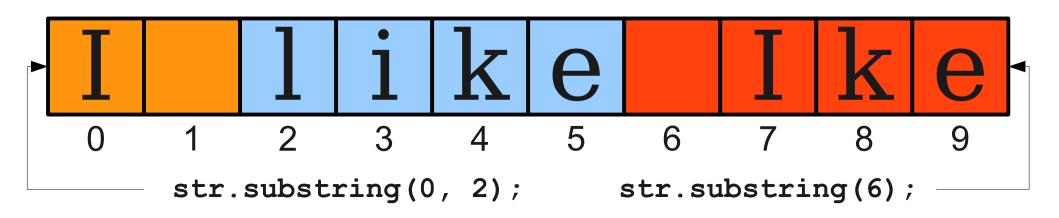
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Time-Out for Announcements!

#### Midterm Date Change

- Midterm date changed to Tuesday,
   February 11 from 7PM 10PM.
  - I am sorry for the inconvenience!
  - Alternate exam times also changed; sign up ASAP if you can't make this time.
- To compensate, I've given everyone an extra late period this quarter.

#### Midterm Preparation

- Midterm review session this Sunday from 1PM – 4PM in Hewlett 200.
- Solutions to second practice exam released.
- Feel free to email the course staff with questions over the weekend!

#### Assignment 3

- Assignment 3 is due on Monday at 3:15PM.
- LaIR open Sunday night if you have questions.
- Feel free to email your section leader with questions!

# Friday Four Square!

Today at 4:15PM, outside Gates

Back to CS106A!





#### Welcome to Big Data



#### Getting Data Into Programs

- Put it directly in the program:
  - Define constants holding your values.
- Get it from the user:
  - Mouse events, readLine, etc.
- Generate it randomly:
  - Use a RandomGenerator.
- Get it from an external source.
  - Store it in a file and read it later.

#### Reading Files

- Virtually all programs that you've used at some point read files from disk:
  - Word processing (documents)
  - Eclipse (Java files)
  - Web browser (cookies)
  - IM client (stored login information)
  - Games (saved progress)
  - Music player (songs)

#### The Structure of Files

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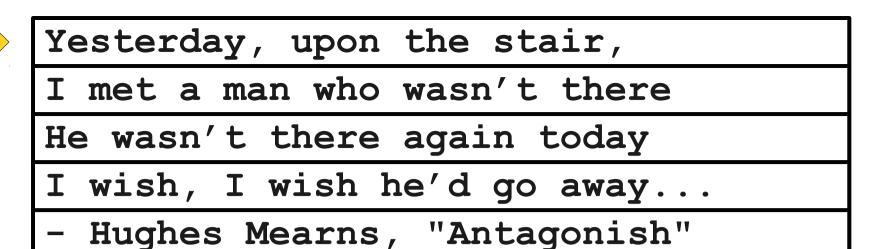
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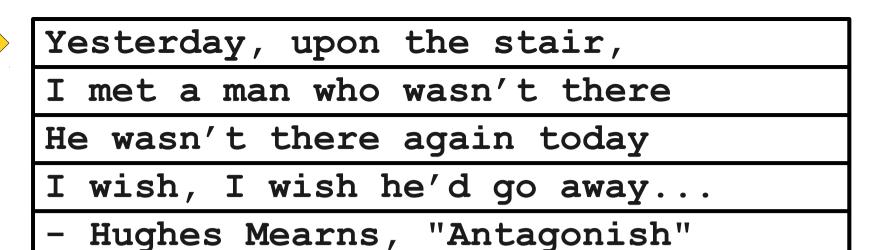
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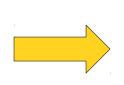
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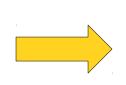
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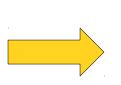
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Let's Try It Out!

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#### Sometimes Things Break

- Programs sometimes encounter unexpected errors.
- Sometimes these are bugs:
  - Dividing by zero.
  - Sending a message to a null object.
- Sometimes these are due to external factors:
  - Network errors.
  - Missing files.

#### **Exceptional Cases**

- If Java encounters a case where it can't proceed as normal, it will cause an exception.
- Java requires that your program handle certain types of exceptions.
- Think of exceptions as rerouting control in an emergency:
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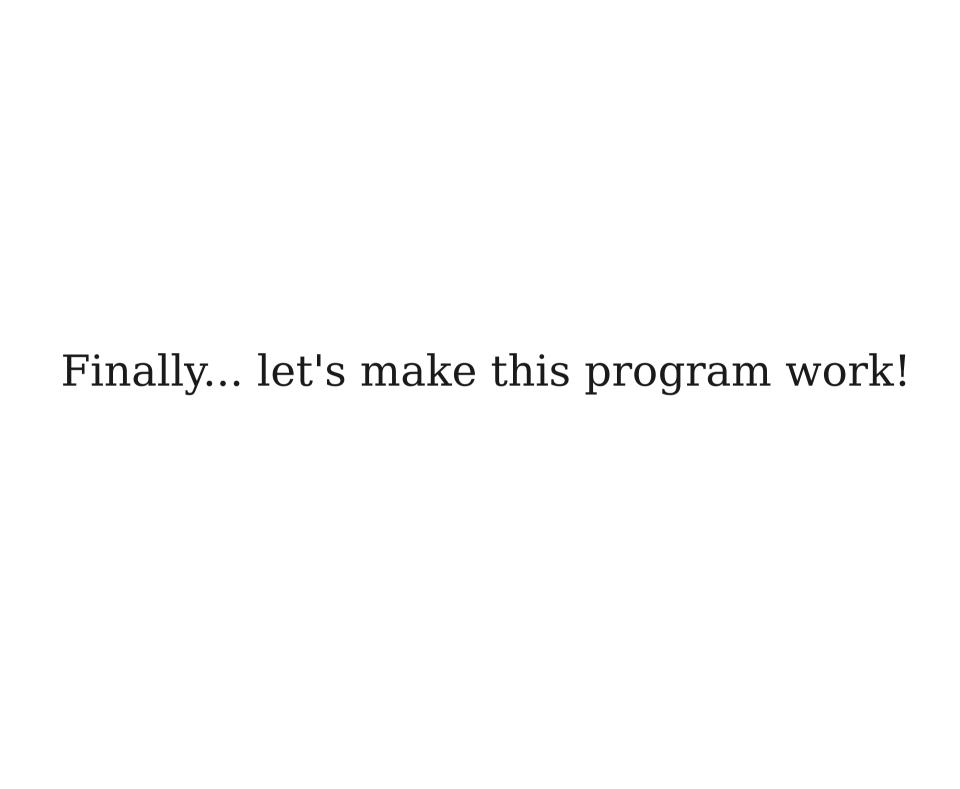
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    String line1 = br.readLine(); // Yesterday, upon the stair,
    String line2 = br.readLine(); // I met a man who wasn't there
    String line3 = br.readLine(); // He wasn't there again today
    String line4 = br.readLine(); // I wish, I wish he'd go away...
    String line5 = br.readLine(); // - Hughes Mearns, "Antagonish"
    String line6 = br.readLine(); // *Returns null*
   br.close();
                                                  ... we immediately jump down here.
} catch (IOException e) {
    println("An error occurred: " + e); ◄
```



#### Reading a File

• The idiomatic "read all the lines of a file" code is shown here:

```
try {
    BufferedReader br = /* ... open the file ... */
    while (true) {
        String line = br.readLine();
        if (line == null) break;
        /* ... process line ... */
    }
    br.close();
} catch (IOException e) {
    /* ... handle error ... */
}
```

Fun with Data