

# Computer Programming in Java

## Lecture 4 Java Strings

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# Java Strings

- String greeting = "Hello";
- String Length

```
String txt = "ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ";
```

```
System.out.println("The length of the txt string is: " + txt.length());
```

# String Methods

- There are many string methods available, for example `toUpperCase()` and `toLowerCase()`:

```
String txt = "Hello World";
```

```
System.out.println(txt.toUpperCase()); // Outputs "HELLO WORLD"
```

```
System.out.println(txt.toLowerCase()); // Outputs "hello world"
```

# Finding a Character in a String

- The `indexOf()` method returns the index (the position) of the first occurrence of a specified text in a string (including whitespace):

```
String txt = "Please locate where 'locate' occurs!";  
System.out.println(txt.indexOf("locate")); // Outputs 7
```

# Java String Concatenation

- String Concatenation

The + operator can be used between strings to combine them. This is called concatenation:

```
String firstName = "John";
```

```
String lastName = "Doe";
```

```
System.out.println(firstName + " " + lastName);
```

- You can also use the `concat()` method to concatenate two strings:

```
String firstName = "John ";
```

```
String lastName = "Doe";
```

```
System.out.println(firstName.concat(lastName));
```

# Java Numbers and Strings

- WARNING!

Java uses the + operator for both addition and concatenation.  
Numbers are added. Strings are concatenated.

- If you add two numbers, the result will be a number:

```
int x = 10;
```

```
int y = 20;
```

```
int z = x + y; // z will be 30 (an integer/number)
```

- If you add two strings, the result will be a string concatenation:

```
String x = "10";
```

```
String y = "20";
```

```
String z = x + y; // z will be 1020 (a String)
```



- If you add a number and a string, the result will be a string concatenation:

```
String x = "10";
```

```
int y = 20;
```

```
String z = x + y; // z will be 1020 (a String)
```

# Java Special Characters

Escape character	Result	Description
\'	'	Single quote
\"	"	Double quote
\\	\	Backslash