

Scala 2.12 and Java 8

More fun together

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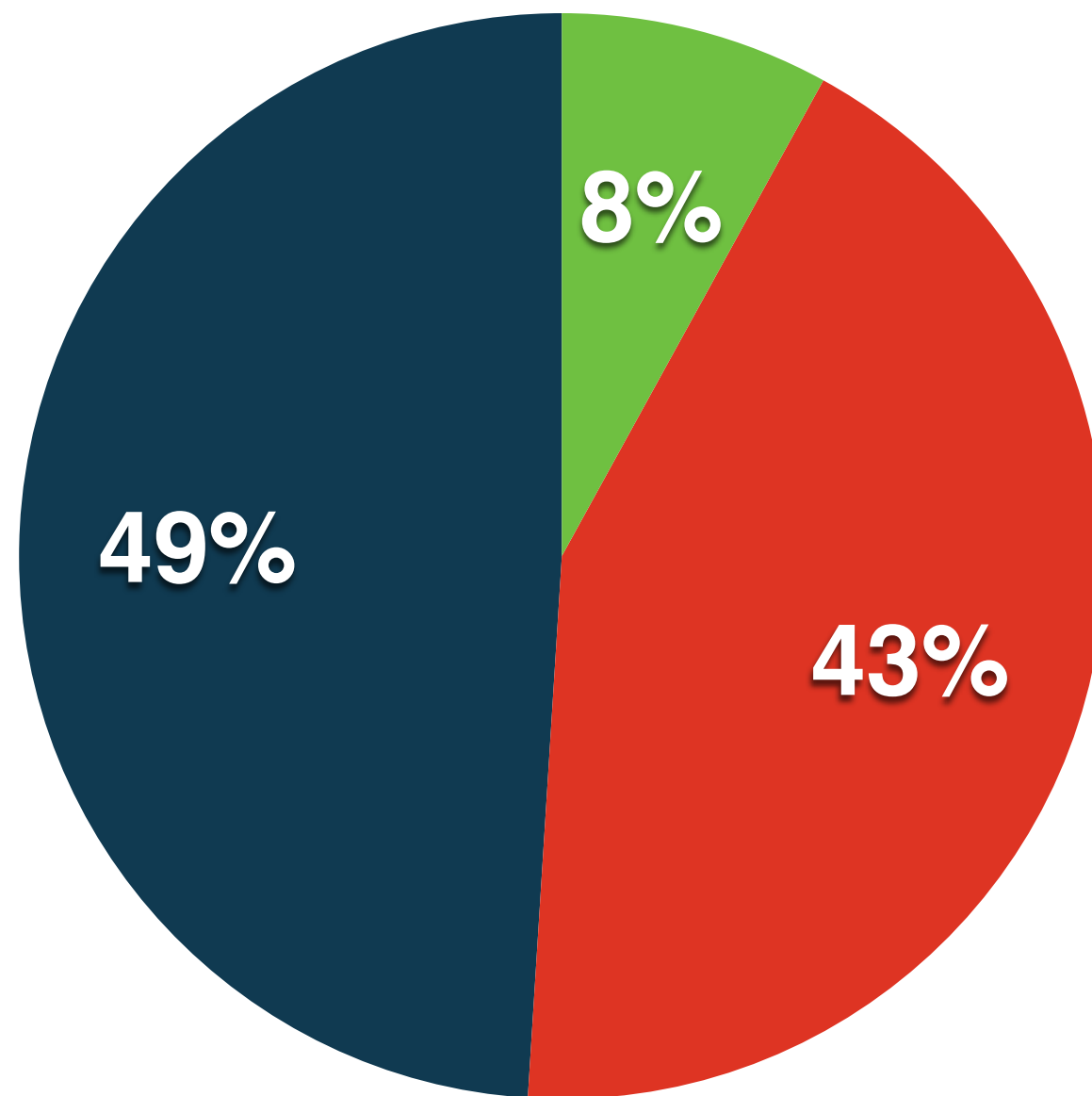
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Director's cut

Scala: practical FP & OO

- Unify functions & objects: more productive!
- Developed at EPFL for over a decade
- Vibrant, growing community!
- Typesafe stewards the project, fosters community
 - Reactive Platform implemented in Scala (has both Scala/Java8 API)

Scala 2.10 commits



>> absolute #:
macros, value classes,
implicit classes,
language imports,
new pattern matcher,
...

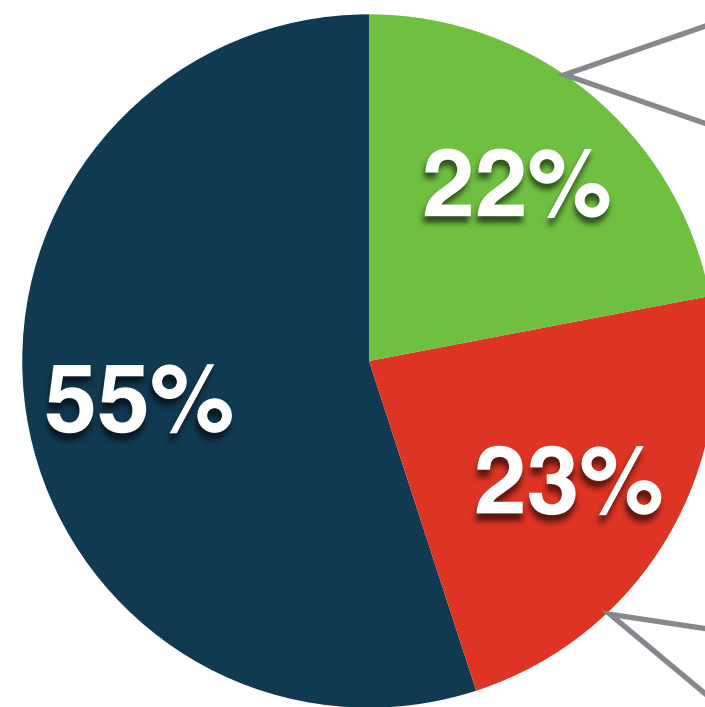
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● EPFL

● Typesafe

Scala 2.11 commits

<< absolute #:
stabilisation,
modularisation.



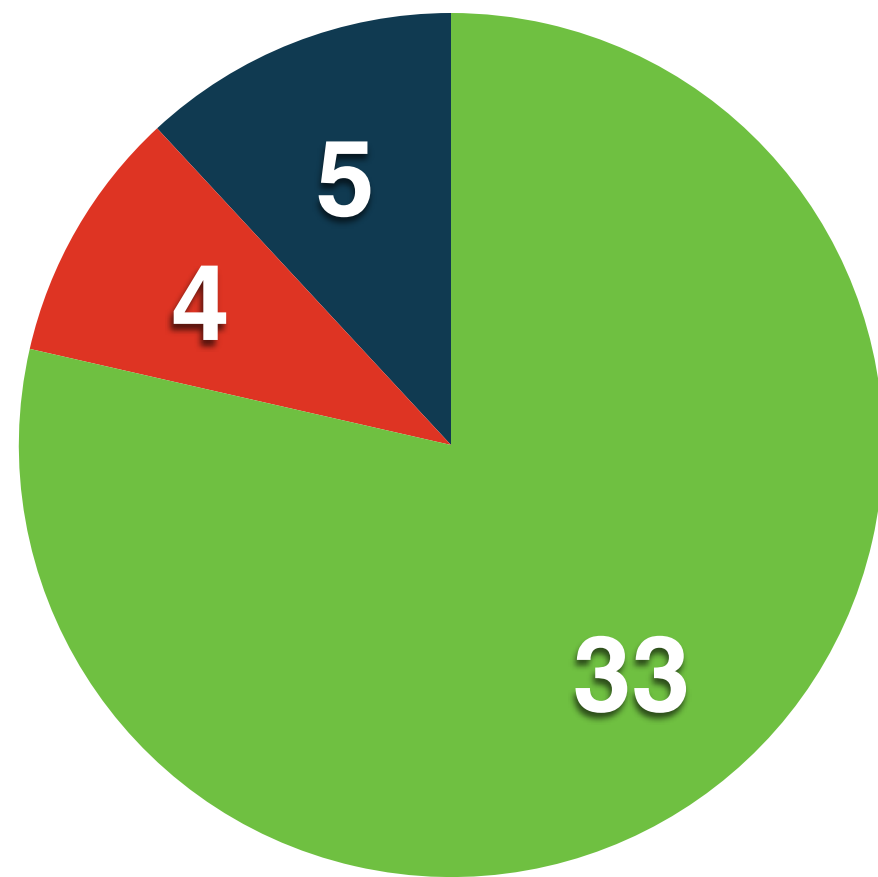
Almost 3x!

More time for research

● Community ● EPFL ● Typesafe

Scala 2.10 Team Size

core team = members
submit 90% of total commits



Community



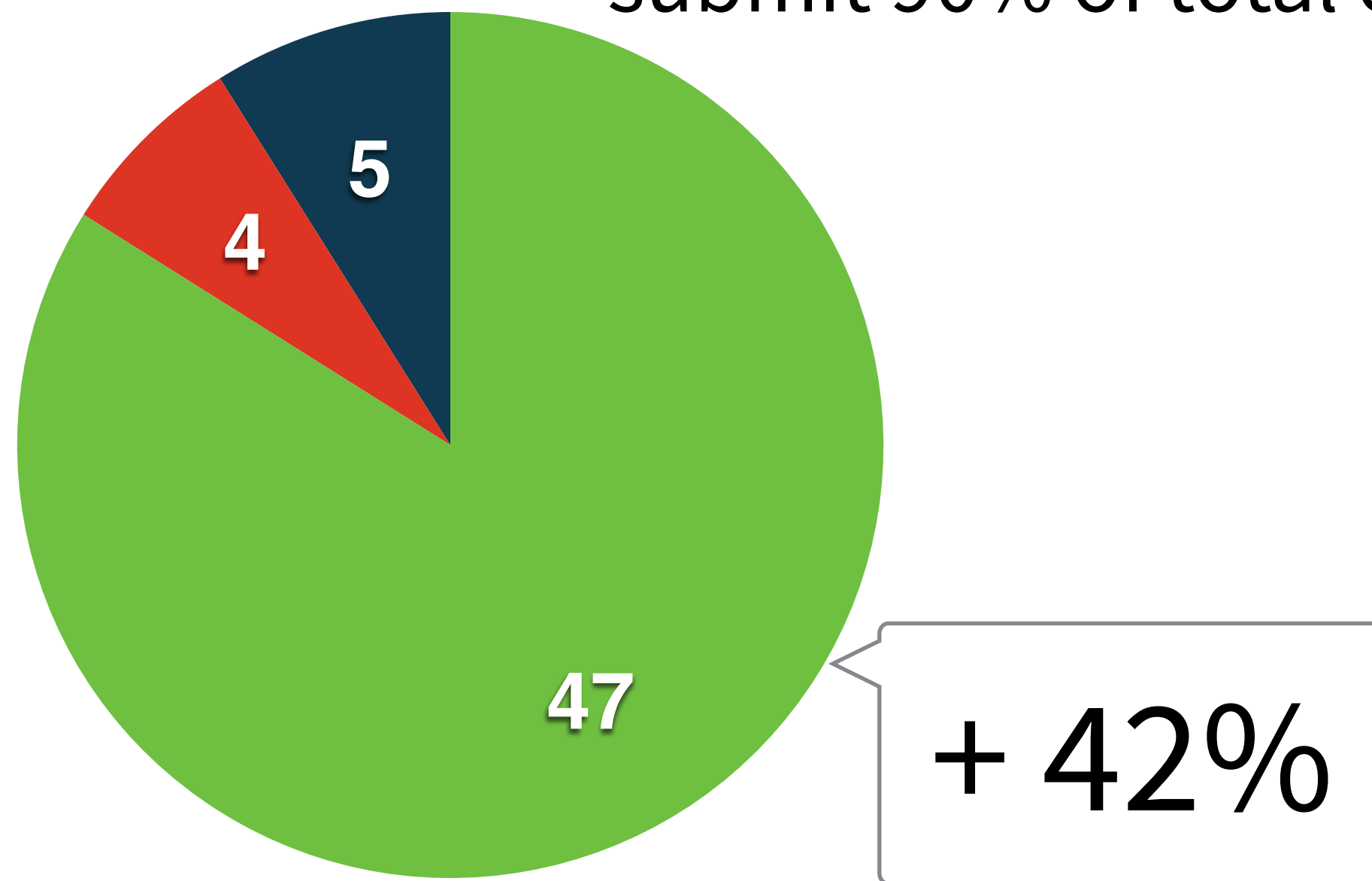
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Numbers

	commits 2.10	commits 2.11	team (90%)	team (90%)	everyone	everyone
community	8%	22%	33	47	69	104
epfl	43%	23%	4	4	19	13
typesafe	49%	54%	5	5	22	22
all	4495	2582	42	56	110	139

reproduce: `git shortlog -sn --no-merges 2.11.x --not 2.10.x`

Thank you!

Keep up the good work — no pressure.

2.12 Roadmap

scala-lang.org/news/2.12-roadmap

- Move to Java 8
 - Be good JVM citizen, enjoy new features!
 - Must target Java 8 for real benefit (INDY, default, fork-join).
- Legacy, long-term support
 - Scala 2.11 & 2.12 match features (where possible on JDK 6)
 - 2.12.0 (& last public 2.11.x) scheduled after Java 7 public EOL (2016)
 - Commercial support? Give us a call.

The Devoxx logo is located on the left side of the slide. It consists of the word "Devoxx" in a stylized, bold, sans-serif font. The letters are dark grey, and the "x"s are orange. A small "TM" trademark symbol is at the top left of the "x"s.

Talk Roadmap

- **Functional Programming in Scala**
- Using functional **Java 8 APIs in Scala** (SAM synthesis)
- Using functional **Scala APIs in Java 8** (SAMifying =>)
- Compiling Scala **closures: `invokedynamic`**
- Scala 2.12's Java 8 **back-end** (default methods for traits)

(Functional) Programming in Scala

Divide into abstractions of the right size
&
conquer^W compose.

Functional Programming in Scala

Often, **functions** are the right size.

Reaction to an event.

Transformation of element in collection.

Work item for parallel/concurrent execution.

Code that can be shipped to the data.

(Functional) Programming in Scala

Need a **bigger** abstraction?
trait & object

Definitions...

OO: programming with objects

closed set of methods, open set of types

FP: programming with functions

open set of function, closed set of types

orthogonal: pure/impure, lazy/strict,
static/dynamic typing, math/reality

FP = OO in the small

object = bundle of functions

function = object with one method

Scala = unifier

Functional Programming in Scala

**Functions: easy to understand
knowing (only) their arguments
(if they are pure).**

Functional Programming in Scala

Purity = *usually* good idea,
underpins scaling
& fault isolation.

Scala nudges you towards Purity

Focus on expressions.

Statements cause *side-effects*.

```
var x = 0
if (someCondition) x = 1
else x = -1
...
return x
```

```
val x =
  if (someCondition) 1
  else -1
...
x
```

Simplify: no need for
ternary operator.

var / **val** same # letters

Scala is pragmatic

If mutation makes more sense

```
var procCount = 0  
val f = { (x: Foo) => procCount += 1; x.process }
```

go for it!

var

CONTROVERSY?

Methods take objects
as arguments.

CONTROVERSY

Higher-order functions
compose function values.

Composing functions

- List: `List(1, 2, 3)` foreach, for each
- Option: abstract over null checks
- Validation: reason about failure
- Database: query data too, optimize it
- Async: to delay computation, need handle for it

flatMap that shit!



Types are high-tech plumbing

Types guide safe composition.



There's more to life than plumbing

Type checking kills common run-time bugs.

Focus testing on the non-trivial.



Plumbing should stay out of the way

Type inference minimizes cost of `typing`.

Exposed plumbing

Java's type inference
still limited
type boilerplate...

Ever wonder what keeps scalac busy?

Scala: powerful local type inference.
You only write **public type signatures**.

(Or not — but, I'd recommend it.)

So, what does it take to FP?

- function = value
 - compact syntax to define them
- expression-based – statements cause side-effects
 - immutable by default
- type system to make combinators safe
 - type inference to keep types out of the way
- hide the monads: for comprehensions, `scala.async`
- pattern matching!

Meet SAM

- Elegant retro-fit of function types onto OO VM & language
 - Function type = interface with one abstract method
 - (Can still have default methods)

- Before:

```
new Thread(new Runnable{def run() = ???})
```

- SAM:

```
new Thread(() => ???)
```

Using Java 8 Stream from Scala REPL

```
$ scala -Xexperimental # need 2.11.5-SNAPSHOT  
  
scala> import java.util.Arrays, java.util.stream.Stream  
  
// List<String> myList = Arrays.asList("a1", "a2", "b1", "c2", "c1");  
scala> val myList = Arrays.asList("a1", "a2", "b1", "c2", "c1")  
myList: java.util.List[String] = [a1, a2, b1, c2, c1]
```

Scala code: gist.github.com/adriaanm/892d6063dd485d7dd221

Original Java 8 code: github.com/winterbe/java8-tutorial

Using Java 8 Stream from Scala REPL

```
/*  
myList  
  .stream()  
  .filter(s -> s.startsWith("c"))  
  .map(String::toUpperCase)      // s -> s.toUpperCase  
  .sorted()  
  .foreach(System.out::println); // s -> System.out.println(s)  
*/  
scala> myList.stream.filter(s => s.startsWith("c")).  
          map(_.toUpperCase).sorted.foreach(println)  
  
C1  
C2
```

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Using Java 8 Stream from Scala REPL

```
/*  
Stream.of("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c")  
  .filter(s -> {  
    System.out.println("filter: " + s);  
    return true;  
  });  
*/  
scala> Stream of ("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c") filter {  
    s => println(s"filter: $s"); true  
  }  
res1: java.util.stream.Stream[String] =  
java.util.stream.ReferencePipeline$2@4648ce9
```

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Single abstract method synthesis

```
scala> Stream of ("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c") filter {  
    s => println(s"filter: $s"); true  
}  
  
// Behind the scenes, scalac generated:  
scala> Stream of ("d2", "a2", "b1", "b3", "c") filter {  
    def test$body(s: String): Boolean = {  
        println(s"filter: $s"); true  
    }  
    new Predicate {  
        def test(s: String): Boolean = test$body(s)  
    }  
}
```

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But what about the types?

```
scala> val s = myList.stream.map(_.toUpperCase)
s: Stream[?] = ReferencePipeline$3@55d8f6bb
// wait what!? (I told you this was experimental)
```

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:power mode to the rescue!

```
scala> :power
** Power User mode enabled - BEEP WHIR GYVE **
** :phase has been set to 'typer'. **
** scala.tools.nsc._ has been imported **
** global._, definitions._ also imported **
** Try :help, :vals, power.<tab> **

// Can now call into the compiler running behind the scenes
```

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Mind your wildcards

```
...  
s: Stream[?] = ReferencePipeline$3@55d8f6bb  
  
scala> typeOf[s.type].widen.typeArgs.head.typeSymbol.info  
res14: $r.intp.global.Type = >: String  
  
// Java wildcards are pretty tricky...  
// inference will improve by 2.12.0
```

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Stream's map signature

Java

```
<R> Stream<R> map(Function<? super T, ? extends R> mapper)
```

Scala

```
def map[R](mapper: T => R): Stream[R]
```

Stream's map signature

Java

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Scala

```
def map[R](mapper: T `Function1` R): Stream[R]
```

Stream's map signature

Java

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<R> Stream<R> map(Function<? super T, ? extends R> mapper)
```

Scala

```
def map[R](mapper: Function1[T, R]): Stream[R]
```

Zooming in on Function

Java

`Function<? super T, ? extends R>`

Scala



`Function1[T, R]`

Variance: use-site v definition-site

Scalafied (use-site variance)

```
Function[_ >: T, _ <: R]  
given trait Function[T, R]
```

Scala (definition-site variance)

```
Function1[T, R]  
given trait Function1[T, R]
```

 ::=

Using Java 8 Optional from Scala REPL

```
// legacy code:
class Outer(var nested: Nested = null)
class Nested(var inner: Inner)
class Inner(var foo: String)

/* Optional.of(new Outer())
  .flatMap(o -> Optional.ofNullable(o.nested))
  .flatMap(n -> Optional.ofNullable(n.inner))
  .flatMap(i -> Optional.ofNullable(i.foo))
  .ifPresent(System.out::println); */
scala> Optional.of(new Outer()).
      flatMap(o => Optional.ofNullable(o.nested)).
      flatMap(n => Optional.ofNullable(n.inner)).
      flatMap(i => Optional.ofNullable(i.foo)).
      ifPresent(println)
```

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Idiomatic use of Scala's Option

```
// More idiomatically:
for { o    <- Option(new Outer())
      n    <- Option(o.nested)
      i    <- Option(n.inner)
      foo <- Option(i.foo) } println(foo)

// Desugars to:
Option(new Outer()).foreach{
  (o: Outer) => Option(o.nested).foreach{
    (n: Nested) => Option(n.inner).foreach{
      (i: Inner) => Option(i.foo).foreach{
        (foo: String) => println(foo)      }}}}
```

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Dress up Java's Optional like Scala's

```
import java.util.function.Consumer, java.util.Optional,  
       Optional.{ofNullable => Option}  
  
implicit class extForeach[T](o: Optional[T]) {  
  def foreach(f: Consumer[_ >: T]) = o ifPresent f  
}
```

Original Java 8 code: github.com/winterbe/java8-tutorial

Using Java 8 Optional from Scala REPL

```
// Re-interpreted using Optional.ofNullable, ifPresent
for { o    <- Option(new Outer())
      n    <- Option(o.nested)
      i    <- Option(n.inner)
      foo <- Option(i.foo) } println(foo)

// Now desugars to:
Optional.ofNullable(new Outer()).ifPresent{
  (o: Outer) => Optional.ofNullable(o.nested).ifPresent{
    (n: Nested) => Optional.ofNullable(n.inner).ifPresent{
      (i: Inner) => Optional.ofNullable(i.foo).ifPresent{
        (foo: String) => println(foo)      }}}}
```

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Getting friendly with Java 8

- In 2.12, @FunctionalInterface scala.FunctionN
- Can't do this in 2.11
 - > 1 abstract method, no default methods on Java 6
 - Next best thing: scala/scala-java8-compat

```
JFunction1<String, String> f1 = (String s) -> s;  
  
// JFunction1<String, String> <: scala.Function1<String, String>:  
scala.Function1<String, String> f2 = f1;
```

Getting friendly with Java 8

```
import static scala.compat.java8.JFunction.*;

// `func` = identity; steers type checker towards SAM synth
scala.Function1<String, String> f3 = func((String s) -> s);

// javac's type inference can infer the parameter type,
// based on the ascribed type of `f4`.
scala.Function1<String, String> f4 = func(s -> s)
```

Java 8 compatibility layer

```
package scala.compat.java8;

import scala.runtime.BoxedUnit;

public final class JFunction {
    public static <R> scala.Function0<R> func
        (JFunction0<R> f){ return f; }
    public static <T1, R> scala.Function1<T1, R> func
        (JFunction1<T1, R> f) { return f; }
    public static <T1> scala.Function1<T1, BoxedUnit> proc
        (JProcedure1<T1> p) { return p; }
```


Java 8 compatibility layer

```
package scala.compat.java8;
```

```
@FunctionalInterface
```

```
public interface JFunction1<T1, R> extends scala.Function1<T1, R> {
```

```
    @Override default <A> scala.Function1<T1, A>
```

```
        andThen(scala.Function1<R, A> g) {
```

```
            return scala.Function1$class.andThen(this, g);
```

```
        }
```

```
    @Override default <A> scala.Function1<A, R>
```

```
        compose(scala.Function1<A, T1> g) {
```

```
            return scala.Function1$class.compose(this, g);
```

```
        }
```

```
    ...
```

```
}
```



scalac -Ydelambdafy originally by @jamesiry

- Java 8-style lambdas
 - Simulate on Java 6 (Scala 2.11 experiment)
 - Same bytecode as javac on Java 8 (2.12 default)
- Smaller anonymous function class files
 - No longer contains lambda body and required constant pool entries

Function literal expansion

```
class C(val c: Double) {  
  def outer(x: Int) = (y: Int) => (x + y) * c  
}  
// expanded:  
class C(val c: Double) {  
  def outer(x: Int) = new samClass(x)  
    // capture environment^^^  
  private def body(y: Int, x: Int): Double = (x + y) * c  
  
  class samClass(x: Int) extends (Int => Double) {  
    def apply(y: Int) = body(y, x)  
  }  
}
```

Function literal expansion: INDY style

```
class C(val c: Double) {  
  def outer(x: Int) = (y: Int) => (x + y) * c  
}  
// expanded:  
class C(val c: Double) { // bootstrap: LambdaMetaFactory.meta  
  def outer(x: Int) = (INDY  
    LMF MT[JFunction1.apply] MH[body] // [static] sam + impl  
    x) // [dynamic] capture environment  
  
  private def body(x: Int, y: Int): Double = (x + y) * c  
}
```

Delambdafy, meet INDY matchmaker: @retronym

- Still lower body to method, but skip creating class statically;
- instead: `invokedynamic LambdaMetaFactory`
 - **bootstrap**: link call site based on static arguments
 - *once per lambda definition*
 - conceptually: create anonymous class (delegate to Java 8 RT)
 - **invocation**: capture environment (dynamic arguments)
 - create function value (instance of SAM type)
- Must wait for 2.12 to do this by default.

New back-end & optimizer

by @lrytz

- Reworking & integrating @magarciaEPFL's new back-end
 - Landing first in 2.11.x (behind flag)
 - Will be default in 2.12
- Uses ASM: optimizer deals with bytecode directly (no more IR)
- Improved inliner
 - Can disable inlining from classpath
 - Delambdafy simplifies closure elimination
- Eliminate more boxing (prim \leftrightarrow ref, closures, tuples)

Default methods for traits

Compile Scala traits to interfaces with default methods

Source compatibility more likely to imply binary compatibility

Promising, but early days ([lrytz/traits-default-methods](https://github.com/lrytz/traits-default-methods))

Default methods for traits: challenges

- Fields (encoded as getter/setter, field in class)
- Linearization & super (qualified super calls, super accessors)
 - super chain not known until traits mixed in to class
- Initialization (call `$init$` method at end of constructor)

Thanks! Questions!

See you at **Scaladays!**

SF: March 16-18

Amsterdam: June 8-10