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JS

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Scala

```scala
var a = "patata"
a = 3
// error: type mismatch;
//  found   : Int(3)
//  required: String
// applyFunction(3, {x => x*
//                  ^
```

Type inference

Normally, the compiler will try to guess what type our values have even if we don't specify it.

```scala
val hola = "hola"
val three = 3
```

This doesn't mean that if we don't specify a type the declaration remains untyped, just that we let the compiler guesses it.

Syntax

Values - Immutable

```scala
val immutable: Int = 1
immutable = 2
// error: reassignment to val
// val intToString: Function[Int, String] =
//                                          ^
```

Syntax

Variables - Mutable

```scala
var mutable: Int = 1
// mutable: Int = 1
mutable = 2
mutable
// res3: Int = 2
```

Syntax

Methods

```scala
def identity(i: Int): Int = i
identity(1)
// res4: Int = 1
```

- Blocks aren't needed for one-lines
- return isn't needed: last statement is returned

Syntax

Call by value

We already know this. When we pass a parameter to a method "normally"

```scala
def callByValue(i: Int): Int = i
callByValue(1)
// res5: Int = 1
```

Syntax

Call by name

The parameter won't be evaluated until needed.

```scala
def callByName(i: => Int): Int = 1
def inf: Int = inf
callByName(inf)
// res6: Int = 1
```

Syntax

Call by name

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```scala
def callByName(i: => Int): Int = i
def inf: Int = inf
callByName(inf)
// error: ambiguous reference to overloaded definition,
// both method inf in object App of type Int
// and  method inf in object App of type Int
// match expected type Int
// def inf: Int = inf
//               ^^^
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Syntax

Classes

```scala
class MyInt(val i: Int) {
  def sum(j: Int): Int = i + j
}
val myInt = new MyInt(1)
// myInt: MyInt = repl.MdocSession$App$MyInt@7fc9ca97
myInt.i
// res8: Int = 1
myInt.sum(1)
// res9: Int = 2
```

- free constructor
- val means i is public (otherwise it'd be private)

Syntax

Classes

```scala
class MyIntPrivate private(val i: Int) {
  def sum(j: Int): Int = i + j
}
new MyIntPrivate(1)
// error: constructor MyIntPrivate in class MyIntPrivate
// new MyIntPrivate(1)
//     ^^^^^^^^^^^^^
```

- this is how make the constructor private

Syntax

Objects

```scala
object MyObject {
  def sum(i: Int, j: Int): Int = i + j
}
MyObject.sum(1,1)
// res11: Int = 2
```

- Objects are single instances of their own definitions

Syntax

Traits

```scala
trait MyTrait {
  val i: Int
  def sum(j: Int): Int = i + j
}
new MyTrait {
 val i: Int = 1
}.sum(1)
// res12: Int = 2
```

- They are like Java interfaces
- You can have default implementations

Syntax

Traits

```scala
class MyClass(j: Int) extends MyTrait {
  val i = j
}
new MyClass(1).sum(1)
// res13: Int = 2
```

Syntax

type

```scala
type Money = Int

def gimmeMoney(n: Money): Unit = println(n)

val treeEur: Money = 3
// treeEur: Money = 3

gimmeMoney(3)
// 3
```

Syntax

Although, you can use also the *typed type*

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Syntax

This is the basic. You can find more:
https://docs.scala-lang.org/tour/basics.html
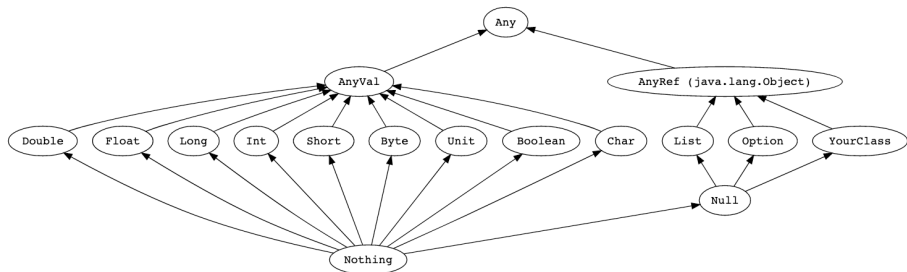
Scala Type Hierarchy

Figure 1: scala type hierarchy

- `Any` is the supertype of all types, also called the top type.
- `AnyVal` represents value types: `Int`, `Double`, etc.
- `AnyRef` represents reference types: e.g. `String` (everything else)
- `Null` is a subtype of all reference types (type, not `null` value)
- `Nothing` is a subtype of all types, also called the bottom type.

The type system

```scala
val a: Int = "hola!"
// error: type mismatch;
//  found   : String("hola!")
//  required: Int
// val a: Int = "hola!"
//              ^^^^^^^
```

A type system checks the types of our program to be sure they make sense.

Higher order functions

Functions being first class citizens means that they can be used as any other value in your program. They have types, they can be returned, and they can be taken as parameters.

Functions are values

```scala
val intToString: Int => String = { a =>
  a.toString
}
intToString(1)
```

Higher order functions

Actually, this is possible because functions are traits

```scala
trait Function[-A, +B] {
  def apply(a: A): B
}
```

This is the same as `A => B`. It's syntactic sugar.

Higher order functions

```scala
val intToString: Function[Int, String] =
  new Function[Int, String] {
    def apply(a: Int): String = a.toString
  }
// intToString: Int => String = <function1>
intToString(1)
// res20: String = "1"
```

Higher order functions

```scala
def applyFunction(
  number: Int,
  fn: Int => Int
): Int =
  fn(number)

applyFunction(3, {x => x*3})
applyFunction(2, {x => x+2})
```

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```scala
def genMultiplication(
  times: Int
): Int => Int = { x =>
  x * times
}

val times3: Int => Int = genMultiplication(3)
// times3: Int => Int = <function1>
times3(3)
// res23: Int = 9
```

Higher order functions

Currification

```scala
def genMultiplication(
  times: Int
)(x: Int): Int =
  x * times

val times3: Int => Int = genMultiplication(3)
// times3: Int => Int = <function1>
times3(3)
// res25: Int = 9
```

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  g: Int => Boolean
): String => Boolean = { str =>
  g(f(str))
}
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```scala
val length: String => Int = _.length
val isEven: Int => Boolean = { i => i % 2 == 0 }

val lengthIsEven = compose(length, isEven)

lengthIsEven("1")
lengthIsEven("10")
lengthIsEven("100")
lengthIsEven("1000")
```

Generics

Although, in the previous example, do we really care about the specific types of the functions f & g? or we just need them to match?

We could use a **generic** implementation for compose!

```scala
def composeGeneric[A, B, C](
  f: A => B,
  g: B => C
): A => C = { a =>
  g(f(a))
}
```

Generics

And then, we could use `composeGeneric` the same way we used `compose`.

```scala
val length: String => Int = _.length
val isEven: Int => Boolean = { i => i % 2 == 0 }

val lengthIsEven = composeGeneric(length, isEven)

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lengthIsEven("10")
lengthIsEven("100")
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```

Algebraic data types

Algebraic data types are composite types made up from smaller ones.
There are two basic constructs for them:

- case classes
- sealed traits

Case classes

case classes, also called **product types**, encode a grouping of other fields that should **all** be present in all values.

```scala
case class Package(
  length: Int,
  width: Int,
  height: Int,
  weight: Int)
```

In this example we know that all packages should have a length, a width, a height, and a weight.

Case classes

Case classes have other cool feature, copying. Copying allows us to create copies of the object with some fields changed. This helps to make programs immutable!

```scala
// Notice that, for instantiating case classes,
// we don't use `new`.
val pack = Package(10, 15, 20, 3)
```

Case classes

If we want to change one of the fields of a case class, we just need to call copy and reassign a new value for the field:

```scala
val pack2 = pack.copy(weight = 2)
```

Sealed traits

Sealed traits (**sealed** *means we can only extend it on the file we've declared*), also called **sum types**, encode a type that can be **one of** all the different invariants:

```scala
sealed trait ResponseFromServer
case class OkResponse(
  json: String
) extends ResponseFromServer
case object FailureResponse extends ResponseFromServer
```

Here, we know that a value of the type ResponseFromServer can be either a OkResponse or a FailureResponse.
(**sealed** *means we can only extend it on the file we've declared*)

Recap.

Scala	Other languages
`trait`	`interface`(Java), `protocol` (Swift)
`class`	`class`
`case class`	`POJO`/`JavaBean` (Java)
`object`	class containing only static stuff
`val`	immutable reference (`const` in JS)
`var`	mutable reference
`def`	function/method

Exercise 1.1

Let's imagine a simple event based application. We want to define some events that we can handle:

- A user logs in
- A customer adds an item to the basket
- A user starts payment process
- Payment goes through correctly
- Payment process fails with timeout
- Payment process fails because of Insufficient funds

solution

One possible solution... not **the** one.

```scala
import java.util.UUID

sealed trait Event
case class UserLogIn(userId: UUID) extends Event
case class AddItemToBasket(userId: UUID, itemId: UUID) ex
case class UserIntentPay(userId: UUID) extends Event
case class PaymentCorrect(userId: UUID, paymentReceipt: S

sealed trait PaymentFailure extends Event
case class TimeoutFailure(userId: UUID, intentId: UUID) e
case class InsufficientFundsFailure(userId: UUID, intentI
```

Exercise 1.2

We know that all events for this system will have several fields: -
Event ID - User ID

Refactor your previous exercise to add those.

solution

```scala
sealed trait Event {
  def id: UUID
  def userId: UUID
}

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case class AddItemToBasket(id: UUID, userId: UUID, itemId
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