# Introduction to Kotlin

https://kotlinlang.org

# **Part-I Introduction**

Kotlin

Kotlin Philosophy

How to use Kotlin

### **Kotlin**

General-purpose programming language

Supports both Object Oriented and Functional programming paradigms

Statically typed and compiled programming language

It is Open Source (Apache 2.0) project

Developed by JetBrains

Concise: Drastically reduce the amount of boilerplate code

 Create a POJO with getters, setters, equals(), hashCode(), toString() and copy() in a single line:

```
data class Customer(val name: String, val email: String, val company: String)
```

Filter a list using a lambda expression:

```
val positiveNumbers = list.filter { it > 0 }
```

Safe: Avoid entire classes of errors such as null pointer exception

Get rid of NullPointerExceptions

```
var output: String
output = null  // Compilation error
```

Kotlin protects you from mistakenly operating on nullable types

Safe: Avoid entire classes of errors such as null pointer exception

If you check a type is right, the compiler will auto-cast it for you

```
fun calculateTotal(obj: Any) {
   if (obj is Invoice)
      obj.calculateTotal()
}
```

Interoperable: Leverage existing libraries for JVM, Android and the Browser

Write code in kotline and decide where you want to deploy it

```
import kotlin.browser.window
fun onLoad() {
    window.document.body!!.innerHTML += "<br/>>Hello, Kotlin!"
}
```

**Tool-Friendly:** Choose any Java IDE or build from the command line

```
fun copyData(input: File, output: File) {
   input.inputStream().use {
      output.outputStream().
   }
   Preserve single lambda parameter declaration
   Preserve Replace explicit parameter 'inputStream' with 'it'
   Move lambda argument into parentheses
   Preserve Specify explicit lambda signature
   Specify type explicitly
```







IntelliJ IDEA

Bundled with Community Edition or IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate Android Studio

Bundled with <u>Studio 3.0</u>, plugin available for earlier versions

Eclipse Eclipse

Install the plugin from the Eclipse Marketplace



STANDALONE Compiler

Use any editor and build from the command line

### **Downloading the compiler**

- Manual Install: Download and unzip the standalone compiler
- SDKMAN!

```
$ curl -s https://get.sdkman.io | bash
$ sdk install kotlin
```

Snap package

```
$ sudo snap install --classic kotlin
```

https://kotlinlang.org/docs/tutorials/command-line.html



# STANDALONE Compiler

Use any editor and build from the command line

### **Compiling and Running Kotlin application (CMD)**

- 1. Write your Kotlin code in a file (.kt) (e.g. hello.kt)
- 2. Compile the application using the Kotlin compiler
  - \$ kotlinc hello.kt -include-runtime -d
    hello.jar
- 3. Run the application
  - \$ java -jar hello.jar

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STANDALONE Compiler

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### **Running the REPL (Read-Eval-Print Loop)**

We can run the compiler without parameters to have an interactive shell

```
[Ocean] ~/tutorials/kotlin/command_line/kotlinc$ bin/kotlinc-jvm
Kotlin interactive shell
Type :help for help, :quit for quit
>>>> 2+2
4
>>>> println("Welcome to the Kotlin Shell")
Welcome to the Kotlin Shell
>>>>
```

https://kotlinlang.org/docs/tutorials/command-line.html



STANDALONE Compiler

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### **Using the command line to run scripts**

Kotlin can also be used as a scripting language.

A script is a Kotlin source file (.kts) with top level executable code

```
import java.io.File

val folders = File(args[0]).listFiles { file -> file.isDirectory() }
folders?.forEach { folder -> println(folder) }
```

To run the script

```
$ kotlinc -script list_folders.kts <path_to_folder_to_inspect>
https://kotlinlang.org/docs/tutorials/command-line.html
```

## **PART-II Basic**

Hello World in Kotlin

Packages and Functions

Variables and Comments

Control structures

Exceptions

Extension functions

### Hello World in Kotlin

```
package intro
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    val name = if (args.size > 0) args[0] else "World"
    println("Hello, $name!")
}
```

```
package intro
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    val name = if (args.isNotEmpty()) args[0] else "World"
    println("Hello, $name!")
}
```

## Hello World in Kotlin

#### **Observation**

- No class definition
  - You can define functions at the top level
- if is an expression not a statement
- Array is class
- String template
  - Easy way of accessing variable values inside string literals
- No semicolon is required

```
package intro
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    val name = if (args.isNotEmpty()) args[0] else "World"
    println("Hello, $name!")
}
```

# **Define Packages**

```
package et.edu.aait.myproject
import java.util.*
```

It is not required to match directories and packages: source files can be placed arbitrarily in the file system.

Function having two Int parameters with Int return type:

```
fun sum(a: Int, b: Int): Int {
    return a + b
}
```

Calling **sum** function from **main** function

```
fun main() {
    println(sum(2, 3))
}
```

Function with an expression body and inferred return type

```
fun sum(a: Int, b: Int) = a + b
```

Use **Unit** as return type of functions that return no meaningful value

```
fun printSum(a: Int, b: Int): Unit {
    printIn("sum of $a and $b is ${a + b}")
}
```

Unit is optional, it can be removed

### **Top-Level Functions**

```
package et.edu.aait.introproject
fun areaOfSquare(size: Int): Int{
    return size*size
}
```

#### **Member Functions**

```
package et.edu.aait.introproject

class Square(val size:Int){
    fun area() = size * size
}
```

#### **Local Functions**

```
package et.edu.aait.introproject

fun outerFunction() {
    fun localFunction() {
        println("This is local function")
    }
    localFunction()
    println("This is outer function")
}
```

### **Named arguments**

```
package et.edu.aait.introproject
fun addPrefixPostfix(pre:String, post:String, word:String):String{
    return pre+word+post
fun main() {
    println(addPrefixPostfix("left-","-right", "middle"))
    println(addPrefixPostfix(post="-right", word="middle", pre="left-"))
```

### **Default Argument**

```
fun addPrefixPostfix(
    pre: String ="-right",
    post:String = "left-",
    word: String): String{
    return pre+word+post
fun main() {
    println(addPrefixPostfix(word="middle"))
    println(addPrefixPostfix(post="-low", word="middle", pre="high-"))
```

### **Variable Arguments**

```
fun printList(vararg list:String) {
    list.forEach { item -> println(item) }
}

fun main() {
    printList("a", "b", "c", "4")
}
```

# **Function Types**

A function type definition consists of two parts:

- the function's parameters, in parentheses, followed by
- its return type, delimited by the arrow (->)
- () -> String tells the compiler what kind of function a variable can hold

```
fun main() {
    val greetingFunction: () -> String = {
        val currentYear = 2019
        "Welcome to Kotlin $currentYear"
    }
    print(greetingFunction())
}
```

## **Variables**

Use keyword **val** to define **read-only (immutable)** variables. They can be assigned a value only once

```
val a: Int = 1 // immediate assignment
val b = 2 // `Int` type is inferred
val c: Int // Type required when no initializer is provided
c = 3 // deferred assignment

println ("The sum of $a, $b, $c is ${a + b + c}")
```

## **Variables**

Use keyword **var** to define **mutable** variables. They can be re-assigned a value

```
fun main() {
   var x = 5 // `Int` type is inferred
   println ("Initial value of x is $x")
   x += 1
   println ("The new value of x is $x")
}
```

## **Variables**

### **Top-level variables**

```
package et.edu.aait.introproject
val PI = 3.14
fun areaOfCircle(radius: Int) = PI * radius * radius
fun main() {
    println("The area of circle with radius 3 is ${areaOfCircle(3)}")
```

## **Comments**

Just like Java and JavaScript, Kotlin supports end-of-line and block comments.

Unlike Java, block comments in Kotlin can be nested.

```
// This is an end-of-line comment
/* This is a block comment
  on multiple lines.

   /*
     This is nested comment
   */

*/
```

**Conditionals: if expression** 

Note that if is an expression not a statement

```
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
   val arg1 = Integer.parseInt(args[0])
   val arg2 = Integer.parseInt(args[1])
   val max:Int = if (arg1 > arg2) arg1 else arg2
      println ("The maximum of $arg1 and $arg2 is $max")
}
```

#### **Conditionals: when**

```
fun checkValue(value: Int) {
   when (value) {
        1 -> print("value == 1")
        2 -> print("value == 2")
        else -> { // Note the block
            print("value is neither 1 nor 2")
fun main(){
 checkValue(2)
```

**Conditionals: when** 

```
fun checkValue(value: Any) {
    when (value) {
        0,1,2 -> print("value is 0 or 1 or 2")
        is String -> print("The size of the string is ${value.length}")
        else -> {
            print("value is not 0, 1, 2 or a String")
        }
    }
}
```

**Conditionals: when** 

When is also expression

```
fun convertGrade(grade: Char) = when(grade){
    'B' -> 3
   else -> -1
fun main() {
   println(convertGrade('C'))
```

**Conditionals: when** 

### When without argument

```
fun compareValues(a: Int, b: Int) = when {
        a > b -> println("a is greater than b")
        else -> println("a is equal to b or less than b")
}
fun main() {
    compareValues(4,3)
}
```

**Loops: for** 

```
fun main() {
    val list = listOf(1,2,3,4)
    for (1 in list ) {
        println( "$1 times 2 is ${1*2}")
    }
}
```

**Loops: for** 

```
fun main() {
    val map:Map<Int, String> = mapOf(2 to "two", 3 to "three")
    for ((key, value) in map ) {
        println( "key=$key maps to value=$value ")
    }
}
```

**Loops: for** 

```
fun main() {
    val list = listOf("Nine", 1, 2, 3, "three")
    for ((index, element) in list.withIndex()) {
        println("Index=$index, element=$element")
    }
}
```

**Loops: for** 

### **Upper bound included**

```
fun main() {
    for (i in 1..9) {
        println(i)
     }
}
```

### **Upper bound not included**

```
fun main() {
    for (i in 1 until 10) {
        println(i)
     }
}
```

**Loops: for** 

#### **Reverse count**

```
fun main() {
    for (i in 10 downTo 1) {
        println(i)
     }
}
```

### **Reverse count with step value**

```
fun main() {
    for (i in 10 downTo 1 step 2) {
        println(i)
    }
}
```

**Loops: for** 

### **Iterating over String**

```
fun main() {
    for ( c in "hello") {
        print(c)
    }
}
```

Note the use of in

it can be used for iteration and also to check belongingness

#### **Iterating over String**

```
fun main() {
    for ( c in "hello") {
        print(c)
    }
}
```

### **Checking for belonging**

```
fun isSmallLetter(c:Char) = c in 'a'..'z'
```

# **Exceptions**

throw is an expression

```
fun checkMark(value: Int) = when (value) {
   in 90..100 -> "Excellent"
   in 70..89 -> "Very Good"
   in 50..69 -> "Good"
   in 0..49 -> "fail"
   else -> throw IllegalArgumentException("Invalid input: $value")
}
```

## **Exceptions**

try is an expression

```
fun main() {
    stringToInt("four")
fun stringToInt(value:String) {
   val result = try {
      Integer.parseInt(value)
     catch (e: NumberFormatException) {e}
   println(result)
```

### **Extension Functions**

```
fun String.lastChar() = this[this.length-1]
fun String.firstChar() = this[0]

fun main() {
    println("abcd".lastChar())
    println("abcd".firstChar())
}
```

# **PART-III Classes and Objects**

Classes and Constructors

Modifiers

Interfaces

Inheritance

Properties

**Special Classes** 

Object, Object Expression and Companion Object

```
// A class without any properties or user-defined constructors
class Customer

/* a class with two properties: immutable id and mutable email,
and a constructor with two parameters */
class Contact(val id: Int, var email: String)
```

```
fun main() {
    // Creates an instance of the class Customer via the default constructor
    val customer = Customer()
    val contact = Contact(1, "mary@gmail.com")
    println(contact.id)
    contact.email = "jane@gmail.com"
```

#### **Concise Primary Constructor**

```
class Person(val name: String, val age: Int)
                                      constructor parameter
                       class Person(name: String) {
Full Constructor
                           val name: String
                             constructor body
                           init {
                               this.name = name
```

val/var on a parameter creates a property

```
class Person(name: String) {
    val name: String
    init {
        this.name = name
    }
}
class Person(val name: String)
```

#### **Secondary Constructor**

```
class Rectangle(val height: Int, val width: Int) {
    secondary constructor
    constructor(side: Int) : this(side, side) { ... }
}
this(...) calls another constructor of the same class
```

## **Modifiers**

final, open, abstract, override public, private, internal, protected

#### **Definition:**

**A module:** a set of Kotlin files compiled together

## **Modifiers**

final (used by default): cannot be overridden

open: can be overridden

**abstract:** must be overridden (can't have an implementation)

override (mandatory): overrides a member in a superclass or interface

## **Modifiers**

Modifier	Class Member	Top-level Declaration
public	Visible everywhere	Visible everywhere
internal	Visible in a module	Visible in a module
protected	Visible in a subclass	
private	Visible in a class	Visible in a file

# **Change Visibility**

```
class InternalComponent
internal constructor(name: String) {
    ...
}
```

## **Example**

```
class Rectangle(val width:Int, val height:Int)
   constructor(side: Int):this(side, side)
fun main() {
   val rectangle = Rectangle (2, 3)
   val square = Rectangle(2)
   println(rectangle.width)
   println(rectangle.height)
   println(square.height)
   println(square.width)
```

# Interfaces and their Implementation

```
interface MyInterface {
   fun bar()
    fun foo() {
     // optional body
                              class Child : MyInterface {
                                  override fun bar() {
                                       // body
```

# **Interfaces Example**

```
interface MotorVehicle {
    fun moveUp(distance: Double)
    fun moveDown (distance: Double)
class Car(var position: Double): MotorVehicle
    override fun moveUp(distance: Double) {
        position += distance
    override fun moveDown(distance: Double) {
        position -= distance
```

## **Inheritance**

The same syntax can be used for extending a class & implementing an interface

```
interface Base
class BaseImpl : Base
```

```
open class Parent
class Child : Parent()
```

## **Inheritance**

### Calling a constructor of the parent class

```
open class Parent(val name: String)
class Child(name: String) : Parent(name)
open class Parent(val name: String)
class Child : Parent {
    constructor(name: String, param: Int) : super(name)
}
```

## **Inheritance Example**

```
open class Shape{
   open fun area(): Double = 0.0
}
class Square (private val size: Double): Shape() {
   override fun area() = size*size
}
```

```
fun main() {
   val square = Square(2.2)
   println("Area of Square with size 2.2 is ${square.area()}")
}
```

```
Properties = fields + accessors
```

Read Only Properties = fields + getters

Mutable Properties = fields + getters + setters

```
class Contact(val name:String, val address:String)

fun main() {
    val contact1 = Contact("email", "betsegawlemma@gmail.com")
    val contact2 = Contact("office", "Samsung blg 139")
        println("Address ${contact1.name} ${contact1.address}")
        println("Address ${contact2.name} ${contact2.address}")
}
```

```
Properties = fields + accessors
```

Read Only Properties = fields + getters

Mutable Properties = fields + getters + setters

```
class Contact(val name:String, var address:String)
fun main() {
   val contact1 = Contact("email", "betsegawlemma@gmail.com")
   contact1.address = "betsegaw.lemma@aait.edu.et"
   println("Address ${contact1.name} ${contact1.address}")
}
```

Custom getters

```
class Rectangle (private val height: Int, private val width: Int) {
        get(){
    val area:Int
        get(){
fun main() {
 val rect1 = Rectangle(3,3)
   println("Is the rectangle square? ${rect1.isSquare}")
   println("The area of the rectangle is: ${rect1.area}")
```

Private setters

```
class Rectangle(private val height:Int, private val width:Int) {
    var isSquare:Boolean = false
        get(){
    var area:Int = 0
        get() {
fun main() {
 val rect1 = Rectangle(3,3)
   println("Is the rectangle square? ${rect1.isSquare}")
   println("The area of the rectangle is: ${rect1.area}")
```

Custom setters

```
class Switch{
    var state: String = "OFF"
        set (value) {
            println("State changed $field->$value")
            field = value
fun main() {
 val switch = Switch()
    switch.state = "ON"
```

### **Data Classes**

Used for holding data

```
data class User(val name: String, val age: Int)
```

The compiler automatically derives members such as the following from all properties declared in the primary constructor

- equals()/hashCode()
- toString() of the form "User(name=Abebe, age=42)"
- copy() function

Note that the compiler only uses the properties defined inside the primary constructor for the automatically generated functions

### **Data Classes**

have to fulfill the following requirements:

```
data class User(val name: String, val age: Int)
```

- The primary constructor needs to have at least one parameter
- All primary constructor parameters need to be marked as val or var
- Data classes cannot be abstract, open, sealed or inner

# **Data Classes: Copying**

```
data class Student(val name: String, val id: String, val department: String)

fun main() {
    val abebe = Student("Abebe", "ATR/0000/00", "ITSC")
    val aster = abebe.copy("Aster", "ATR/1111/11")
    println("Abebe's Info: $abebe")
    println("Aster's Info: $aster")
}
```

## **Enum Classes**

```
enum class Color{
    BLUE, ORANGE, RED
}

fun getDescription(color: Color) = when(color) {
    Color.BLUE -> "Cold"
    Color.ORANGE -> "Mild"
    Color.RED -> "Hot"
}
```

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    Color.RED -> "Hot"
}
```

# **Enum Classes (with properties and methods)**

```
lenum class Color(val r: Int, val g: Int, val b: Int) {
    BLUE(0,0,255), ORANGE(255,165,0), RED(255,0,0);
    fun rgb() = (r * 256 + g) * 256 + b

}

fun main() {
    println(Color.ORANGE.g)
    println(Color.BLUE.rgb())
}
```

# **Enum Classes (with properties and methods)**

```
import Color.*
enum class Color(private val r: Int, val g: Int, val b: Int) {
    BLUE (0, 0, 255), ORANGE (255, 165, 0), RED (255, 0, 0);
    fun rgb() = (r * 256 + g) * 256 + b
fun main() {
    println(ORANGE.g)
    println(BLUE.rgb())
```

#### **Sealed Classes**

Are used for representing restricted class hierarchies in which an object can only be of one of the given types

Are, in a sense, an extension of enum classes

can have subclasses, but all of them must be declared in the same file

A subclass of a sealed class can have multiple instances which can contain state

#### **Sealed Classes**

You can declare the subclasses inside the sealed class or outside but they always have to be declared in the same file.

Is abstract by itself, it cannot be instantiated directly and can have abstract members

Are not allowed to have non-private constructors (their constructors are private by default)

# **Sealed Classes: Example**

```
sealed class Operation
data class Add(val leftOp: Double, val rightOp: Double): Operation()
data class Subtract(val leftOp: Double, val rightOp: Double): Operation()
data class Multiply(val leftOp: Double, val rightOp: Double): Operation()
data class Divide(val leftOp: Double, val rightOp: Double): Operation()
fun evaluate(operation: Operation) = when(operation) {
    is Add -> operation.leftOp + operation.rightOp
    is Subtract -> operation.leftOp - operation.rightOp
    is Multiply -> operation.leftOp * operation.rightOp
    is Divide -> operation.leftOp / operation.rightOp
```

#### **Sealed Classes: Example**

```
sealed class Expr
data class Num (val number: Double): Expr()
data class Add(val op1: Expr, val op2: Expr): Expr()
fun evaluate(expr: Expr): Double = when (expr) {
    is Num -> expr.number
    is Add -> evaluate(expr.op1) + evaluate(expr.op2)
fun main() {
    println(evaluate(Add(Num(2.0), Num(4.0))))
```

# **Object Declaration**

With the object keyword, you specify that a class will be limited to a single instance – a singleton

A single Counter instance (object)

```
object Counter{
    var count:Int = 0
    private set
    fun updateCount() = ++count
}
fun main() {
    println(Counter.updateCount())
    println(Counter.updateCount())
}
```

# **Object Declaration**

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A single Game instance (object)

```
fun main() {
    Game.play()
object Game {
    init {
        println("Welcome, adventurer.")
    fun play() {
        while (true) {
            // Play Game
```

# **Object Expressions**

Replaces Java anonymous class

```
window.addMouseListener(
        object : MouseAdapter() {
            override fun mouseClicked(e: MouseEvent) {
               // ...
            override fun mouseEntered(e: MouseEvent) {
```

# **Object Expressions**

Replaces Java anonymous class

```
interface Vehicle {
    fun drive(): String
fun start(vehicle: Vehicle) = println(vehicle.drive())
fun main() {
    start(object : Vehicle {
        override fun drive() = "Driving really fast"
    1)
```

# **Companion Object**

It is an object that is common to all instances of that class.

It is similar to static fields in Java.

```
class Car(val color: String, val model: String)
       val cars = mutableListOf<Car>()
       fun makeCar(color: String, model: String): Car {
           val car = Car(color, model)
           cars.add(car)
fun main() {
   Car.makeCar("Blue", "BMW 2-Series")
   Car.cars.forEach{ car -> println("Model: ${car.model}, Color = ${car.color}") }
```

#### **Part-IV**

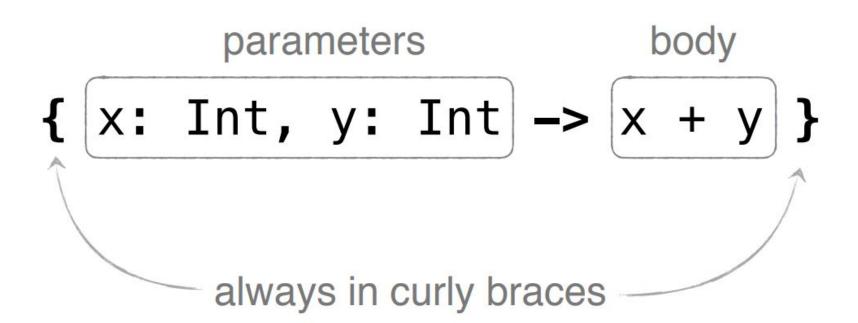
Lambda Expression

Operations on Collections

Nullability

Safe casts

# **Lambda Expression: Syntax**



Full Syntax

```
fun anyEven1() {
    val list = listOf(2, 3, 4, 6)
    val result = list.any({ item: Int -> item % 2 == 0 })
    println(result)
}
```

When lambda is the last argument, it can be moved out of parenthesis

```
fun anyEven2() {
    val list = listOf(2, 3, 4, 6)
    val result = list.any() { item: Int -> item % 2 == 0 }
    println(result)
}
```

Empty parenthesis can be omitted

```
fun anyEven3() {
    val list = listOf(2, 3, 4, 6)
    val result = list.any{ item: Int -> item % 2 == 0 }
    println(result)
}
```

Data type can be omitted if it can be inferred

```
fun anyEven4() {
    val list = listOf(2, 3, 4, 6)
    val result = list.any{ item -> item % 2 == 0 }
    println(result)
}
```

For single arguments you can use the keyword it

```
fun anyEven5() {
    val list = listOf(2, 3, 4, 6)
    val result = list.any{ it % 2 == 0 }
    println(result)
}
```

In multiline lambda, the last expression is the result

```
fun multiLineLambda():List<Int>{
   val list = listOf(2,3,4,5)
   return list.filter{
      it%2 == 0
      it % 4 == 0
   }
}
```

Destructuring

```
fun destructure() {
    val map = mapOf(2 to "two", 3 to "three", 4 to "four", 5 to "five")
    map.mapValues { (k, v) -> println("Key=$k, Value=$v") }
}
```

You can omit a parameter name if it is not used

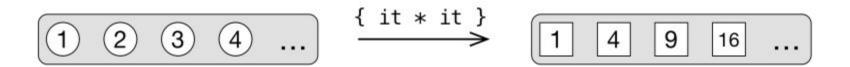
```
fun mapValue() {
    val map = mapOf(2 to "two", 3 to "three", 4 to "four", 5 to "five")
    map.mapValues { (_, v) -> println("Value=$v") }
}
```

```
fun mapValue() {
    val map = mapOf(2 to "two", 3 to "three", 4 to "four", 5 to "five")
    map.mapValues { (k, _) -> println("Key=$k") }
}
```

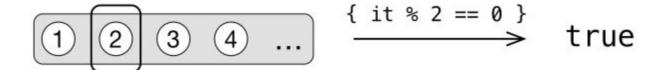
filter



map



any (all, none)



find



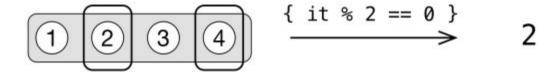
first / firstOrNull



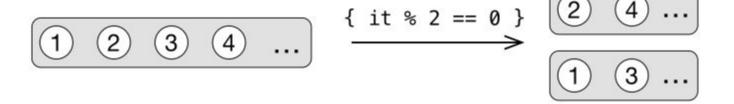
first / firstOrNull



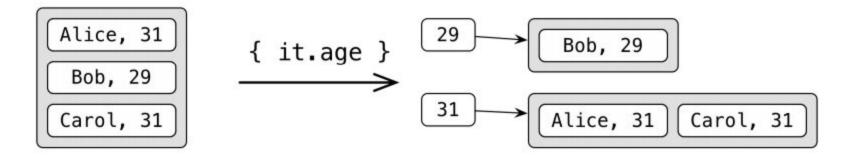
count



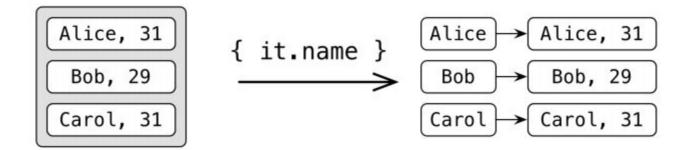
partition



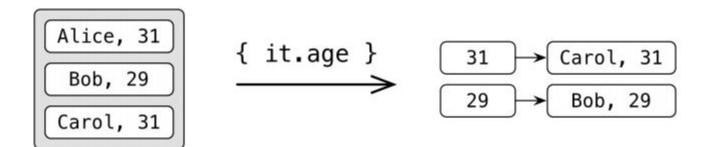
groupBy



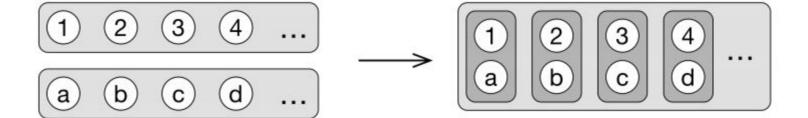
associateBy



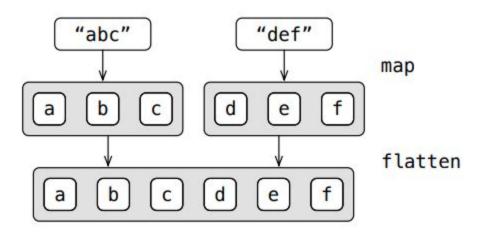
associateBy (removes duplicate)



zip



flatMap



#### **Nullability:** Nullable types in Kotlin

Kotlin makes Null Pointer Exception a compile-time error (not runtime error)

```
val s1: String = null

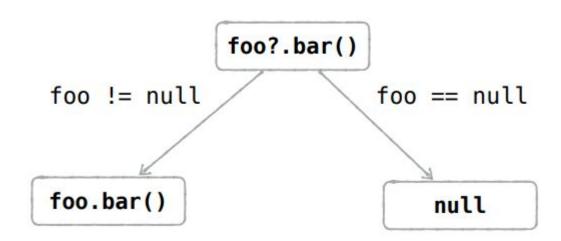
val s2: String? = "can be null or non-null"

s1.length

s2.length

X
```

# **Nullability: Safe access**



#### **Nullability: Nullability operators**

```
val s: String?
val length = if (s != null) s.length else null
val length = s?.length
```

#### **Nullability: Nullability operators**

```
val s: String?

val length: Int = if (s != null) s.length else 0

val length: Int = s?.length ?: 0
```

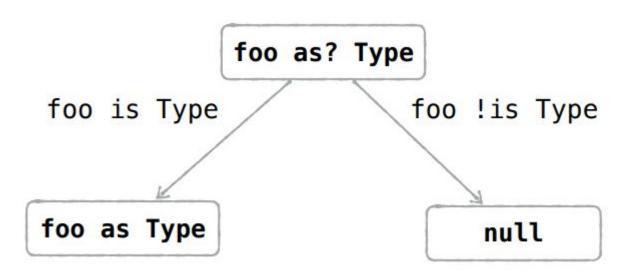
#### Safe casts: as

```
= instanceof
                           not necessary
if (any is String) {
    val s = any as String
    s.toUpperCase()
if (any is String) {
    any.toUpperCase()
         smart cast
```

#### Safe casts: as?

```
if (any is String) {
    any.toUpperCase()
(any as? String)?.toUpperCase()
```

#### Safe casts



#### Safe casts: as?

```
val s = if (a is String) a else null

val s: String? = any as? String
```

#### **Standard Functions**

#### apply

can be thought of as a configuration function

It allows you to call a series of functions on a receiver to configure it for use

```
import java.io.File

fun main() {
    // with apply
    val menuFile = File("menu-file.txt")
    menuFile.apply {
        setReadable(true)
        setWritable(true)
        setExecutable(false)
    }
}
```

```
import java.io.File

fun main() {
    // without apply
    val menuFile = File("menu-file.txt")
    menuFile.setReadable(true)
    menuFile.setWritable(true)
    menuFile.setExecutable(false)
}
```

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