Kotlin

Overview

- What? Why? Who?
- Basic syntax
- Functions & extension functions
- Null safety
- Classes & properties
- Functional programming

What?

- JVM programming language developed by Jetbrains
- Open sourced in 2011. v1.0 on Feb 15th 2016
- 100% interoperable with Java
- First class citizen on Android since Google I/O 2017
- Safe, interoperable, concise

```
public class Person {
                                       private String firstName;
                                       private String lastName;
Concise?
                                       public Person(String firstName, String lastName) {
                                         this.firstName = firstName;
                                         this.lastName = lastName;
                                       public String getFirstName() {
                                         return firstName;
                                       public String getLastName() {
                                         return lastName;
                                       public void setFirstName(String firstName) {
                                         this.firstName = firstName;
                                       public void setLastName(String lastName) {
                                         this.lastName = lastName;
                                       @Override
                                       public boolean equals(Object o) {
                                         if (this == o) return true;
                                         if (o == null || getClass() != o.getClass()) return false;
                                         Person person = (Person) o;
                                         if (firstName != null ? !firstName.equals(person.firstName) : person.firstName != null) return false;
                                         return lastName != null ? lastName.equals(person.lastName) : person.lastName == null;
                                       @Override
                                       public int hashCode() {
                                         int result = firstName != null ? firstName.hashCode() : 0;
                                         result = 31 * result + (lastName != null ? lastName.hashCode() : 0);
                                         return result;
                                       @Override
                                       public String toString() {
```

Concise!

data class Person(var firstName: String, var lastName: String)

Why?

- Costs nothing to adopt
- No runtime overhead
- Strong IDE support
- Quick to learn
- It comes from industry, not academia
- Null safety

Who?

- Backend Developers
- Android Developers
- iOS Developers
- Windows Developers
- Javascript Developers

Basic syntax

Var

var firstName: String = "Jamie"

var firstName = "Jamie"

firstName = "Martin"

firstName = 5 // Compilation error

Val

val lastName: String = "Magee"

val lastName = "Magee"

lastName = "Bloggs" // Compilation error

Objects

```
val sb = StringBuilder("Hello")
sb.append(" World!")
println(sb) // Hello World!
```

Functions & extension functions

Functions

```
fun maximum(first: Int, second: Int): Int {
   if (first > second) {
      return first
   } else {
      return second
   }
}
```

Functions – 'if' is an expression

```
fun maximum(first: Int, second: Int): Int {
    return if (first > second) {
        first
    } else {
        second
    }
}
```

Functions – default values

```
fun maximum(first: Int = 3, second: Int = 4): Int {
    return if (first > second) {
        first
    } else {
        second
    }
}
```

Functions – calling functions

```
var max = maximum(1, 2)

// Named Parameters
max = maximum(first = 1, second = 2)

max = maximum(second = 2, first = 1)

max = maximum(second = 8)
```

Functions – concise?

```
fun maximum(first: Int, second: Int): Int {
    return if (first > second) {
        first
    } else {
        second
    }
}
```

Functions – concise!

```
fun maximum(first: Int, second: Int): Int =
    if (first > second) {
        first
    } else {
        second
    }
```

Functions – concise-er!

```
fun maximum(first: Int, second: Int) =
    if (first > second) {
        first
    } else {
        second
    }
```

Functions – concise-est!

```
fun maximum(first: Int, second: Int) = if (first >
second) first else second
```

Functions – when

```
fun checkResult(value: Any?) = when {
  value == 3 -> "value is 3"
  value is Int -> "double the value = ${value * 2}"
  value == "Hello, world!" -> "Hello, MSE!"
  else -> "No value"
}

val value: Any? = 3
println(checkResult(value)) // value is 3
```

Functions – when – concise

```
fun checkResult(value: Any?) = when (value) {
    3 -> "value is 3"
    is Int -> "double the value = ${value * 2}"
    "Hello, world!" -> "Hello, MSE!"
    else -> "No value"
}

val value: Any? = 3
println(checkResult(value)) // value is 3
```

Extension functions

```
fun Int.maximum(other: Int) =
   if (this > other) this else other
```

val max = 3.maximum(4) // 4

Extension functions — Infix

```
infix fun Int.maximum(other: Int) =
  if (this > other) this else other
```

```
val max = 3 maximum 4 // 4
```

Null safety

The nullability problem

```
private String myString = "A value";

// myString is reassigned
myString = null;

// Uh oh
myString.equals("Another value");
```

Nullable type

```
val a: String = "Cannot be null"
```

```
val b: String? = null
```

Unwrapping nullables

```
b?.equals("Other string") // Safe
```

b!!.equals("Other String") // Unsafe

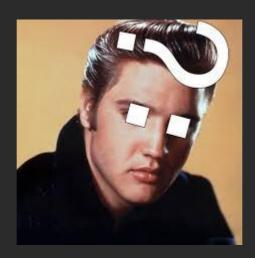
Chaining nullables

```
b?.toDoubleOrNull()?.compareTo(1)

if (b != null) {
    if (Double.valueOf(b) != null) {
        return Double.valueOf(b).compareTo(1.0);
    }
}
return null;
```

Elvis operator

val result = b?.toDoubleOrNull()?.equals(1) ?: false



Classes & properties

class Person(val firstName: String, var lastName:
String)

class Person constructor(val firstName: String, var lastName: String)

```
class Person constructor(fName: String, IName:
String) {
   val firstName: String = fName
   var lastName = IName
}
```

```
public class Person {
  @NotNull
  private final String firstName;
  @NotNull
  private String lastName;
  public Person(@NotNull String firstName, @NotNull String lastName) {
     Intrinsics.checkParameterIsNotNull(firstName, "firstName");
     Intrinsics.checkParameterIsNotNull(lastName, "lastName");
     this.firstName = firstName;
     this.lastName = lastName;
  @NotNull
  public String getFirstName() {
     return firstName;
  @NotNull
  public String getLastName() {
     return lastName;
  public void setLastName(String lastName) {
     Intrinsics.checkParameterIsNotNull(lastName, "lastName");
     this.lastName = lastName;
```

```
class Person constructor(private val firstName: String,
private var lastName: String) {
   fun getFullName() = "$firstName $lastName"
}
```

```
public final class Person {
   @NotNull
  private final String firstName;
  @NotNull
  private String lastName;
  @NotNull
  public final String getFullName() {
     return "" + this.firstName + ' ' + this.lastName;
  public Person(@NotNull String firstName, @NotNull String
lastName) {
```

```
class Person(private var firstName: String,
         private var lastName: String) {
  var fullName
     get() = "$firstName $lastName"
     set(value) {
        val split = value.split(" ")
        firstName = split[0]
        lastName = split[1]
```

```
public final class Person {
  @NotNull
  private String firstName;
  @NotNull
  private String lastName;
  @NotNull public final String getFullName() {
     return "" + this.firstName + ' ' + this.lastName;
  }
  public final void setFullName(@NotNull String value) {
     List split = StringsKt.split$default(...);
     this.firstName = (String)split.get(0);
     this.lastName = (String)split.get(1);
  public Person(@NotNull String firstName, @NotNull String
lastName) {
```

Functional programming

Lambdas

```
val sum: (x: Int, y: Int) -> Int = { x, y -> x + y }
val sum2: (Int, Int) -> Int = { x, y -> x + y }
val sum3 = { x: Int, y: Int -> x + y }
```

Lambdas

```
val sum3 = { x: Int, y: Int -> x + y }

/** A function that takes 2 arguments. */
public interface Function2<in P1, in P2, out R> :
Function<R> {
    /** Invokes the function with the specified
arguments. */
    public operator fun invoke(p1: P1, p2: P2): R
}
```

Collections

```
val list = arrayOf(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)

val result = list.map { it + 2 }
    .filter { value -> value % 2 == 0 }
    .firstOrNull{ it > 5 }
```

Sequences

```
val list = arrayOf(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)

val result = list.asSequence()
    .map { it + 2 }
    .filter { value -> value % 2 == 0 }
    .firstOrNull{ it > 5 }
```

Questions?

Resources

- https://try.kotlinlang.org
- https://kotlinlang.org/docs/reference/
- https://kotlin.link
- http://slack.kotlinlang.org
- https://www.pluralsight.com/courses/kotlin-

fundamentals