# 4.14 Tour of the Scala API

## Brief interlude on partial functions

A partial function is a function which is defined for a subset of possible input values.
 trait *PartialFunction* extends *Function1*:

```
trait PartialFunction[-A, +B] extends (A) \Rightarrow B abstract def isDefinedAt(x: A): Boolean
```

Some examples:

```
scala> val fraction = new Function[Int, Int] {
           def apply(d: Int) = 1 / d
fraction: Function[Int,Int] = <function1>
scala> List(1,0) map fraction
java.lang.ArithmeticException: / by zero
  at $anon$1.apply$mcII$sp(<console>:11)
  at $anon$1.apply(<console>:11)
  at $anon$1.apply(<console>:10)
  at scala.collection.immutable.List.map(List.scala:277)
  ... 33 elided
scala> val fraction = new PartialFunction[Int, Int] {
           def apply(d: Int) = 1 / d
           def isDefinedAt(d: Int) = d != 0
fraction: PartialFunction[Int,Int] = <function1>
scala> List(1,0) collect fraction
res1: List[Int] = List(1)
scala> List(1, "1") collect { case i: Int \Rightarrow i + 1 }
res2: List[Int] = List(2)
```

### Collections (1)

#### Iterable[A]

- Methods defined (in IterableLike, IterableOnce, etc.):
  - (iteration) foreach, iterator, grouped, slice, sliding
  - (concatenation) ++ and ++: append two iterables together.
  - (monad) map, flatMap, filter/Not and collect: collect takes a partial function
  - (conversions) to[Array], to[List], to[Iterable], to[Seq], to[IndexedSeq], to[LazyList], to[Set], to[Map]: all convert (but only if necessary) to the appropriate type
  - (copying) copyToBuffer, copyToArray
  - (size) isEmpty, nonEmpty, size, and hasDefiniteSize may not be meaningful if collection is not ordered.

like LazyList

(element retrieval) head, last, headOption, lastOption, and find

### Collections (2)

- Iterable continued...
  - Continuing other methods defined:
    - (sub-collection retrieval) tail, init, slice, take, drop, takeWhile,
       dropWhile, filter, filterNot, withFilter

      These are similar: see below
    - (subdivision) splitAt, span, partition, groupBy
    - element tests (by predicate) exists, forall, count
    - (accumulating) foldLeft, foldRight, reduceLeft, reduceRight, scan, scanLeft, scanRight

      works if underlying type is
    - (specific folds) sum, product, min, max
    - (string operations) mkString(start, sep, enclassisting, stringPrefix)
    - (views) view, view(from,to)

```
partition(p: A => Boolean) => (T[A],T[A])
span(p: A => Boolean) => (T[A],T[A])
splitAt(n: Int) => (T[A],T[A])
groupBy(f: A => K) => Map[K,T[A]]
```

Numeric or Ordered

optional

### Collections (3)

- Iterable extends Iterable
  - Provides an iterator:

```
def foreach(f: Elem => Unit): Unit = {
  val it = iterator
  while (it.hasNext) f(it.next())
}
```

- (other iterators) grouped, sliding
- · (GenIterable):
  - zip



may be overridden by subclasses; an *Iterator* is not itself a collection but can be a generator in for-comp

### Collections (4)

Sequence traits:

- extends *PartialFunction[Int]*. Methods all the same but efficiency of operations varies
- Seq (extends Iterable), IndexedSeq, LinearSeq (both extend Seq)
  - (indexing and length) apply, isDefinedAt, length, indices, and lengthCompare
  - (index searches) indexOf, lastIndexOf, indexOfSlice, lastIndexOfSlice, indexWhere, lastIndexWhere, segmentLength, prefixLength
  - (element addition) +:, :+, padTo
  - (updates) *updated*, *patch*
  - (sorting) sorted, sortWith, sortBy
  - (reversal) reverse, reverseIterator, reverseMap
  - (comparison) *startsWith*, *endsWith*, *contains*, *containsSlice*, *corresponds*
  - (multiset) intersect, diff, union, distinct

#### Collections (5)

- Other traits/types:
  - List, Map, Set, Array\*
  - Immutable collections
  - Mutable collections
  - See it all here: <a href="http://docs.scala-lang.org/overviews/collections/introduction.html">http://docs.scala-lang.org/overviews/collections/introduction.html</a>
  - And look up individual types/methods here: <a href="http://www.scala-lang.org/api/2.12.5/#package">http://www.scala-lang.org/api/2.12.5/#package</a>

<sup>\*</sup> Array[T] has two implicit conversions: to ArrayOps[T] and WrappedArray[T] which extends Seq[T].