



Introduction to Scala

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Next lectures

- Thursday May 23: exam simulation
- Tuesday May 28: last lecture
 - We will have a lab class: bring your laptop
 - We will see results and a solution of the ML minichallenge

Today

- Introduction to Scala
- The basics of the language
- Data Types
- Control structures
- OOP Domain modeling

Agenda

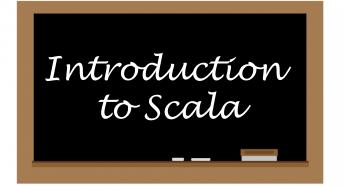
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Introduction to Scala



A bit of history

- The design of Scala started in 2011 at the EPFL (École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne) by Martin Odersky
- He decided to take some ideas from functional programming and moving them into the Java space.
- The result was in 1996 a language called Pizza.
- It was quite successful: functional language features can be implemented on a JVM platform.



After Pizza

- Martin got in contact with people from Sun interested in generics
- In 1997/1998 Generic Java (GJ) was born, which then became the generics in Java 5.

- May 2011 Typesafe Inc.
- Currently named Lightbend Inc.









- Scalable Language
 - Designed to grow with the users' demand
- Multi-paradigm Language
 - Combining object-oriented and functional programming



Scala in few words

A combination of functional and object-oriented programming



FP is good at isolating state change Immutability, repeatability, concurrency OOP is good at structuring code Interfaces, classes, encapsulation, delegation, singleton

Multi-paradigm

Object-oriented paradigm

- Every value is an object
- Types and behaviour of objects are described by classes
- Mechanisms of class abstractions

Functional paradigm

- Every function is a value (including methods)
- Lightweight syntax for anonymous functions, higher-order functions, nested functions, currying
- Pattern matching



Why Scala?

- Concise. Fewer lines of code means less typing and less effort at reading and understanding and less opportunities to make errors
- High-level. OOP and FP let you write more complex programs
- Statically typed. Verbosity is avoided through type inference so it looks like a dynamic language but it is not
- And also
 - Concurrency and parallelism
 - Integration with Java



Scala use cases

- Big data and data science
- Web Application Development, REST API Development
- Distributed System, Concurrency and Parallelism
- Scientific computation like NLP, Numerical Computing and Data Visualization
- Financial applications



Scala users







The basics of the language



Getting started

C:\> scala

Welcome to Scala 3.3.1 (11.0.21, Java OpenJDK 64-Bit Server VM).

Type in expressions for evaluation. Or try :help.

scala > 10 + 5.2

val res0: Double = 15.2

scala> :quit



REPL (Read-Evaluate-Print-Loop)

• The REPL is a command-line interpreter used as a "playground" to test the Scala code.

```
user@DESKTOP-UN3PBAM:~$ scala
Welcome to Scala 3.3.1 (11.0.21, Java OpenJDK 64-Bit Server VM).
Type in expressions for evaluation. Or try :help.

scala> 1 + 1
val res0: Int = 2

scala> val x = res0 *10
val x: Int = 20

scala> def sum(a: Int, b: Int): Int = a + b
def sum(a: Int, b: Int): Int
```



Compiling and executing scala programs

 You can compile and execute your scala programs from command line by typing scala

• C:\> scala script.scala



Program Entry point

- The main method is the entry point of a Scala Program
- In Scala 3, we can directly use the @main
 annotation

```
@main def hello() = println("Hello, Scala
developer!")
```



Expressions

You can output the results using println:

```
scala> println(10+5.2);
15.2

scala> println("Hello world");
Hello world

scala> println("Hello" + " world");
Hello world
```



Values

We can name the results of an expression with the keyword val

```
scala> val x = 2+3
val x: Int = 5
scala> println(x)
5
```

Values, however cannot be reassigned



Variables

Variables can be defined with the keyword var.
 They are like values, but we can reassign them

```
scala> var x = 2 + 3
var x: Int = 5
scala> println(x)
5
scala> var x = 3
var x: Int = 3
scala> println(x)
```

Type can be automatically inferred and it cannot be changed when we reassign the value



Specifying the type

 Both in case of values and variables we can explicitly specify the type – or we can omit it and it will be automatically inferred

```
scala> val x: Int = 2 + 3
val x: Int = 5

scala> var x: Int = 2 + 3
var x: Int = 5
```



Values and variables

```
scala> val ten:Int = 10
//ten is an immutable
value of type Int
val ten: Int = 10
scala > ten = 11
-- [E052] Type Error:
1 \mid ten = 11
  |Reassignment to val
ten
```

```
scala> var ten:Int = 10
//ten is a variable whose
value can change
var ten: Int = 10
scala> ten = 11 //ten is
set to 11
ten: Int = 11
```



Blocks

- Expressions can be combined in blocks by surrounding them with { }.
- The result of the last expression is the result of the overall block



Question 1

What is the value of msg after the two instructions?

```
scala> val msg = "Hello"
scala> msg += "world"
```

A. Hello world

B. The instructions raise an error

C. World

D. Hello



Answer question 1

What is the value of msg after the two instructions?

```
scala> val msg = "Hello"
scala> msg += "world"
scala> val msg = "Hello"
val msg: String = Hello
scala> msg += "world"
-- [E008] Not Found Error:
1 |msg += "world"
  |value += is not a member of
String - did you mean msg.!=?
```

```
A. Hello world
B. The instructions
raise an error
C. World
D. Hello
```



Question 2

What is the value of msg after the two instructions?

```
scala> var msg = "Hello world"
scala> msg = 5
```

A. Hello world

B. The instructions raise an error

C.5

D. Hello world 5



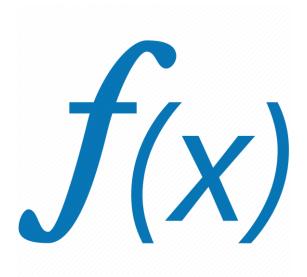
Answer question 2

What is the value of msg after the two instructions?

```
scala> var msg = "Hello world"
scala > msg = 5
scala> var msg = "Hello world"
val msg: String = Hello
scala> msg = 5 //compiler error
-- [E007] Type Mismatch Error: --
1 \mid msg = 5
               (5 : Int)
        Found:
        Required: String
```

```
A. Hello world
B. The instructions
raise an error
C. World
D. Hello
```





Functions



Functions

- Functions have a key role given the functional nature of Scala
- Functions are expressions that have parameters and take arguments
- Functions are defined by using => (similarly to ML)
 - On the left of =>, there is the list of parameters
 - On the right of =>, there is an expression involving the parameters

```
scala> val addOne = (x:Int) => x +1
val addOne: Int => Int =
Lambda$1400/0x000000008007ee040@4efe014f
scala> println(addOne(1))
2
```



Functions

Functions can also have multiple parameters

```
scala> val add = (x: Int, y: Int) => x + y
val add: (Int, Int) => Int =
Lambda$1420/0x00000000800804040@73a116d
scala> println(add(1,2))
3
```

Or no parameters

```
scala> val getanumber = () => 5
val getanumber: () => Int =
Lambda$1423/0x0000000800805440@430106cf
scala> println(getanumber())
5
```



Anonymous functions

 We can define anonymous functions, i.e., functions that have no name

```
scala> (x: Int) => x+1
val res0: Int => Int =
Lambda$1387/0x00000008007e5040@1d8dbf10
```



Higher order functions

Function map

```
val salaries = List(20000, 70000, 40000)
val doubleSalary = (x: Int) => x * 2
val newSalaries = salaries.map(doubleSalary) // List(40000, 140000, 80000)
```

We can also write it as

```
val newSalaries = salaries.map(x => x * 2) // List(40000, 140000, 80000)
```

 When we have a single parameter, and it appears only once in your anonymous function, we can replace it with _.

```
val newSalaries = salaries.map(_ * 2)// List(40000, 140000,
80000)
```



Higher-order functions

Function filter

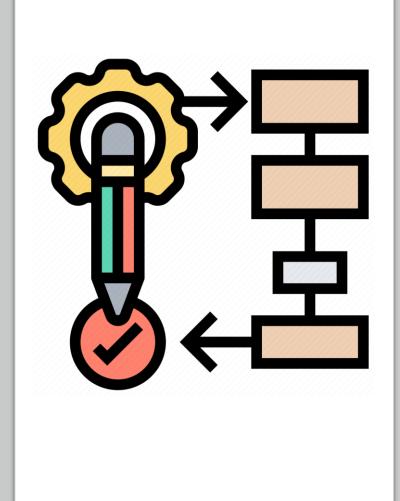
```
scala> val l = List ("aaa","bbbb","cc")
val l: List[String] = List(aaa, bbbb, cc)

scala> l.filter(s => s.length == 4)
val res: List[String] = List(bbbb)
```

Alternative syntax

```
scala> l.filter(_.length ==4)
val res2: List[String] = List(bbbb)
```





Methods



Methods

 Methods look and behave very similar to functions, but there are some differences: methods are defined with the keyword def

 Historically methods have been part of the definition of a class. However, in Scala 3, using eta-expansion it is possible to have methods outside of classes



Method examples

```
scala> def add(x: Int, y: Int): Int = x + y
def add(x: Int, y: Int): Int
scala> println(add(1, 2))
3
scala> def addThenMultiply(x: Int, y:
Int)(multiplier: Int): Int = (x + y) * multiplier
def addThenMultiply(x: Int, y: Int)(multiplier:
Int): Int
scala> println(addThenMultiply(1, 2)(3))
9
```



Currying

```
scala > def nDividesM(m:Int)(n:Int) = (n%m ==0)
def nDividesM(m: Int)(n: Int): Boolean
scala> nDividesM(4)(2)
val res: Boolean = false
scala> val isEven = nDividesM(2)
val isEven: Int => Boolean =
Lambda$1736/0x0000000800918840@56a6aadb
scala> println(isEven(4))
true
scala> println(isEven(5))
false
```



Question 3

What does the following code print?

```
scala> def triple(x: Int): Int = x * 3
scala> val tripleCopy: (Int) => Int = triple
scala> println(tripleCopy(5))
```

```
A.15 15 15
B.The instructions
raise an error
C.5 5 5
D.15
```



Answer question 3

What does the following code print?

```
scala> def triple(x: Int): Int = x * 3
  scala> val tripleCopy: (Int) => Int = triple
  scala> println(tripleCopy(5))
def triple(x: Int): Int = x * 3
def triple(x: Int): Int
scala> val tripleCopy: (Int) =>
Int = triple
val tripleCopy: Int => Int =
Lambda$1722/0x00000008008e4040@59
20c4ed
scala> println(tripleCopy(5))
15
```

```
A. 15 15 15
B. The instructions
  raise an error
C.5 5 5
D. 15
```



Question 4

 What does the following code print?

```
scala> val play=
(thing:String) => s"Let's
play with $thing"

scala> def funify(thing:
String, f: String => String):
String = {
  f(thing) + " and have fun"
}
scala> println(funify("cats", play))
```

- A. "Let's play with"
- B. The instructions raise an error
- C. "Let's play with cats and have fun"
- D. "Let's play with and have fun"



Answer question 4

 What does the following code print?

```
scala> val play=
(thing:String) => s"Let's
play with $thing"

scala> def funify(thing:
String, f: String => String):
String = {
  f(thing) + " and have fun"
}
scala> println(funify("cats", play))
```

- A. "Let's play with"
- B. The instructions raise an error
- C. "Let's play with cats and have fun"
- D. "Let's play with and have fun"



Primitive Data Types



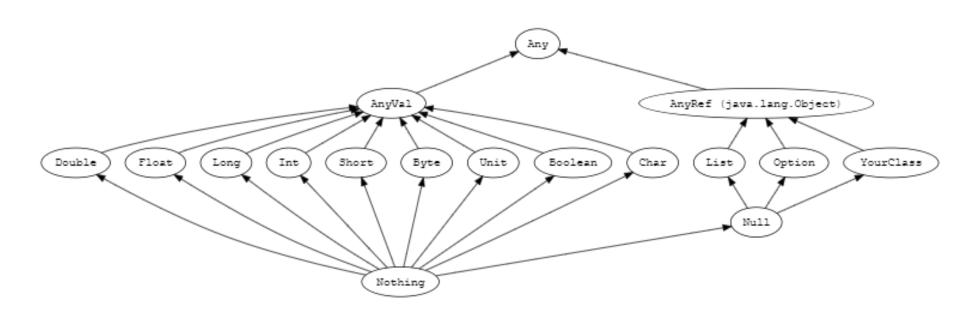
Data types

Unified type hierarchy



Scala types

• In Scala, all values have a type, including functions





Data types

```
Byte
                   val b: Byte = 1
                   val i: Int = 1
Short
                   val 1: Long = 1
                   val s: Short = 1
Int
                   val d: Double = 2.0
Long
                   val f: Float = 3.0

    Float

                   val i = 123 // defaults to Int

    Double

                   val j = 1.0 // defaults to Double
                   val x = 1_000L // val x: Long = 1000

    Boolean

                   val y = 2.2D // val y: Double = 2.2
                   val z = 3.3F // val z: Float = 3.3
String
Char
                   val bool = true
Unit
                   val name = "Bill" // String
```

val c = 'a'

// Char



String interpolation & multiline

- String interpolation with s and \$
 - precede the string with the letter s and put a \$ symbol before variable names

```
val firstName = "Donald"
val lastName = "Duck"
println(s"Name: $firstName $lastName") // "Name: Donald Duck"
```

enclose arbitrary expressions in curly brackets

Multiline strings with three double quotes





Lists and arrays



Lists

- Lists are immutable (content cannot be changed)
- List [String] contains Strings

```
scala> val l = List ("a","b","c")
val l: List[String] = List(a, b, c)

scala> l.head
val res1: String = a

scala> l.tail
val res2: List[String] = List(b, c)
```

Cons operator and concatenation

- As in ML
 - The cons operator :: prepend an element
 - The concatenation operator ::: concatenate two lists

```
scala> val 12 = "a"::1
val 12: List[String] = List(a, a, b, c)

scala> val 13 = 1::2::3::Nil
val 13: List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3)

scala> val 14 = List(1,2,3):::List (4,5)
val 14: List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
```



List of union types and any type

 It is possible to have mixed types in a list or a list of any type

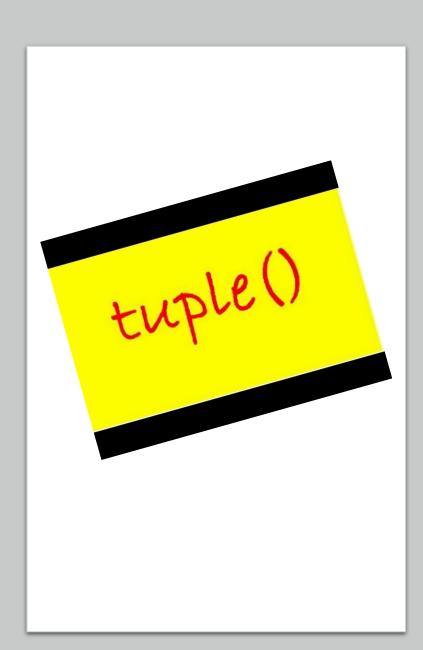


Arrays

• Lists are immutable, arrays are mutable

```
scala> val a = Array ("Java", "Python")
val a: Array[String] = Array(Java, Python)
scala> a(0) = "Scala"

scala> val greets = new Array[String](2)
val greets: Array[String] = Array(null, null)
scala> greets(0) = "Hello"
scala> greets(1) = "world!"
```





Tuples



Tuples

 Sequence of (fixed number of) elements with different types

```
scala> (10, List('a','b'), "string")
val res: (Int, List[Char], String) =
(10,List(a, b),string)
```



Tuples

Tuples are immutable

```
scala> val ingredient = ("Sugar", 25)
val ingredient: (String, Int) = (Sugar, 25)
```

For accessing elements

```
scala> println(ingredient(0))
Sugar
scala> println(ingredient(1))
25
```

In Scala 2.0 you should use ._X, e.g., println(ingredient._
1)



Tuple usage

 Tuples are useful in particular for returning multiple values from a method

```
def divMod(x: Int, y: Int) = (x/y,x%y)
divMod(x: Int, y: Int): (Int, Int)

scala> val dm = divMod(10, 3)
val dm: (Int, Int) = (3,1)
scala> dm(1)
val res1: Int = 3
scala> dm(2)
val res2: Int = 1

scala> val (d,m) = divMod(10, 3)
val d: Int = 3
val m: Int = 1
```



Pattern matching on tuples

A tuple can also be built using pattern matching

```
scala> val (name, quantity) = ingredient
val name: String = Sugar
val quantity: Int = 25
scala> println(name)
Sugar
scala> println(quantity)
25
```



Pattern matching on tuples

A tuple can be used with pattern matching



Question 5

What does the following code print?

```
val myList = List(1, "hello", "world")
println(myList.head)
```

```
A. "hello"
B. Error
C. 1
D. List(1, "hello")
```



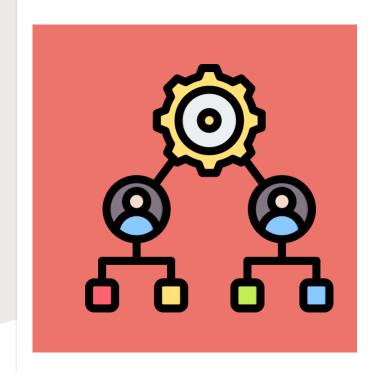
Answer question 5

What does the following code print?

```
val myList = List(1, "hello", "world")
println(myList.head)
```

```
A. "hello"
B. Error
C. 1
D. List(1, "hello")
```





Control



If/else

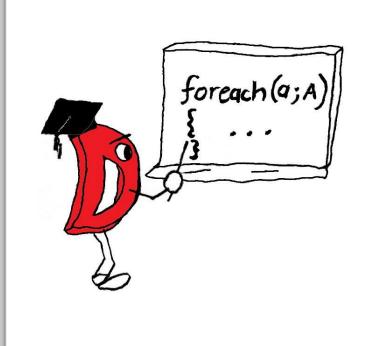
Very similar to other languages

```
if x < 0 then
  println("negative")
else if x == 0 then
  println("zero")
else
  println("positive")</pre>
```

As in ML this is a value and not a statement

```
val x = if a < b then a else b
```





For loops and for comprehension



For loops

 The for keyword is used to create a for loop – do can also be omitted



For loops: alternative syntax

```
scala> for (i<-0 until 10)</li>| print(s"$i ")
```



Guards

• We can use one or more if inside a for loop

We can also have multiple generators and guards



Foreach

Given

```
scala> val list1 = List ("s1","s2","s3")
val list1: List[String] = List(s1, s2, s3)
```

- The following 3 calls are equivalent
 - list1.foreach((s:String)=>println(s))
 - list1.foreach(s => println(s))
 - list1.foeach(println)

s1

s2

s3



For expressions (for comprehension)

 We can use for followed by yield (instead of do) to create for expressions used to calculate and yield results

```
scala> val doubles = for i <- ints yield i * 2
val doubles: List[Int] = List(2, 4, 6, 8, 10)

scala> val names = List("chris", "ed", "maurice")
val names: List[String] = List(chris, ed, maurice)

scala> val capNames = for name <- names yield
name.capitalize
val capNames: List[String] = List(Chris, Ed, Maurice)</pre>
```



For comprehensions

```
scala> val userBase = List(
        User("Travis", 28),
        User("Kelly", 33),
        User("Jennifer", 44),
         User("Dennis", 23))
val userBase: List[User] = List(User(Travis, 28), User(Kelly, 33),
User(Jennifer,44), User(Dennis,23))
scala> val twentySomethings =
         for user <- userBase if user.age >=20 && user.age < 30
         yield user.name // i.e., add this to a list
val twentySomethings: List[String] = List(Travis, Dennis)
scala> twentySomethings.foreach(println)
Travis
Dennis
```



For comprehensions

```
scala> def foo(n: Int, v: Int) =
          for i <- 0 until n
               j \leftarrow 0 until n if i + j == v
          yield (i, j)
def foo(n: Int, v: Int): IndexedSeq[(Int, Int)]
scala> foo(10, 10).foreach {
         (i, j) => println(s"($i, $j) ")
     1 }
(1, 9)
(2, 8)
(3, 7)
(4, 6)
(5, 5)
(6, 4)
(7, 3)
(8, 2)
(9, 1)
```





Pattern matching



Pattern matching

 Like switch statement but much more powerful. It can be used in place of a series of if/else statements

```
value match
         case x
         case y
scala> val x: Int = Random.nextInt(10)
val x: Int = 7
scala> x match
        case 0 => "zero"
       case 1 => "one"
        case 2 => "two"
        case _ => "other"
val res4: String = other
```



Pattern matching with types

A method that flattens a nested list

```
scala> def flatten(list: List[Any]): List[Any] =
       list match{
           case (x: List[Any])::xs =>
flatten(x)::flatten(xs)
           case x::xs => x::flatten(xs)
           case Nil => Nil
       };
def flatten(list: List[Any]): List[Any]
scala> val nested = List(1,List(2,3),4)
val nested: List[Int | List[Int]] = List(1, List(2, 3),
4)
```



Question 6

What does the following code print?

```
val odds = List(3, 5, 7)
var result = 1
odds.foreach( (num: Int) => result *= num )
println(result)
```

A. Error

B.15

C.1

D. 105



Answer question 6

What does the following code print?

```
val odds = List(3, 5, 7)
var result = 1
odds.foreach( (num: Int) => result *= num )
println(result)
```

A. Error

B.15

C. 1

D.105



Question 7

What does the following code print?

```
def fizzBuzz(num: Int) = (num % 3, num % 5) match {
  case (0, 0) => "FizzBuzz"
  case (0, _) => "Fizz"
  case (_, 0) => "Buzz"
  case => ""
println(fizzBuzz(3))
```

A. "Fizz"

B. "FizzBuzz"

C. Error

D. "Buzz"



Answer question 7

What does the following code print?

```
def fizzBuzz(num: Int) = (num % 3, num % 5) match {
  case (0, 0) => "FizzBuzz"
  case (0, _) => "Fizz"
  case (_, 0) => "Buzz"
  case _ => ""
}
println(fizzBuzz(3))
```

A. "Fizz"

B. "FizzBuzz"

C. Error

D. "Buzz"





OOP Domain modeling









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Classes



Classes

// defined class Greeter

 We can define classes with the keyword class class className(par1: Type1, par2: Type2, ...):{ Class definition In Scala 3.0 you do not need to use curly brackets scala> class Greeter(prefix: String, suffix: String): def greet(name: String): Unit = println(prefix + name + suffix)



Class instantiation

 An instance of the class can be done calling the constructor

```
val name = new class (arg1, arg2, ...)
scala> val greeter = Greeter("Hello, ", "!")
val greeter: Greeter = Greeter@107ebdad
scala> greeter.greet("Scala developer") //
Hello, Scala developer!
Hello, Scala developer!
In Scala 3.0 you do
```

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new



Class examples

```
class Point(var x: Int, var y: Int):
  def move(dx: Int, dy: Int): Unit =
    x = x + dx
    y = y + dy
  override def toString: String =
    s"($x, $y)"
end Point // defined class Point
```

• The class Point has four members: the variables x and y and the methods move and toString.

```
scala> val point1 = Point(2, 3)
val point1: Point = (2, 3)
scala> println(point1.x)
2
scala> println(point1)
(2, 3)
```



Constructors

Constructors can have optional parameters by providing default values

```
scala> class Point(var x: Int = 0, var y: Int = 0)
// defined class Point
scala> val origin = Point()
val origin: Point = Point@6669cba
scala> val point1 = Point(1)
val point1: Point = Point@a1b7549
scala> println(point1.x)
scala> println(origin.x)
0
scala> val point2 = Point(y=2)
val point2: Point = Point@1f57666b
scala> println(point2.x)
0
scala> println(point2.y)
```



Private members and getter/setter syntax

```
scala> class Point:
        private var _x = 0
        private var _y = 0
        private val bound = 100
         def x: Int = x
         def x_=(newValue: Int): Unit =
           if newValue < bound then
            x = newValue
           else
            printWarning()
         def y: Int = _y
         def y_=(newValue: Int): Unit =
           if newValue < bound then
             _y = newValue
           else
            printWarning()
        private def printWarning(): Unit =
          println("WARNING: Out of bounds")
      end Point
// defined class Point
```

- Members are public by default. We can use the private access modifier to hide them from outside
- Here data is stored in private variables _x and _y and def x and def y are used for accessing private data





Case classes



Case classes

- Case classes are a special type of classes whose instances are immutable
- Differently from class instantiations that are compared by reference, they are compared by value
- We can define case classes with the keyword case class

```
case class name (par1: type1, par2: type2, ...)
scala> case class Point(x: Int, y: Int)
// defined case class Point
```



Case class instantiations

```
    Case classes can be instantiated

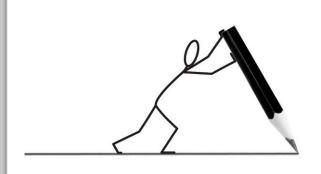
val name = case_class (arg1, arg2, ... )
scala> val point1 = Point(1, 2)
val point1: Point = Point(1,2)
scala> val point2 = Point(1, 2)
val point2: Point = Point(1,2)
scala> val yetAnotherPoint = Point(2, 2)
val yetAnotherPoint: Point = Point(2,2)
```



Case class instance comparisons

 Case class instances are compared by value and not by reference





Traits



Traits

- Traits are abstract data types containing certain fields and methods. In Scala, a class can only extend one other class, but it can extend multiple traits
- We can specify a trait through the keyword trait



Traits

Traits can also have default implementations



Trait extensions

Traits can be extended through the keyword extends

```
class className extends traitName
scala> class DefaultGreeter extends Greeter
// defined class DefaultGreeter
scala> class CustomizableGreeter(prefix: String, postfix: String) extends Greeter:
         override def greet(name: String): Unit =
           println(prefix + name + postfix)
// defined class CustomizableGreeter
scala> val greeter = DefaultGreeter()
val greeter: DefaultGreeter = DefaultGreeter@519e14f6
scala> greeter.greet("Scala developer")
Hello, Scala developer!
scala> val customGreeter = CustomizableGreeter("How are you, ", "?")
val customGreeter: CustomizableGreeter = CustomizableGreeter@23f9d0ce
scala> customGreeter.greet("Scala developer")
How are you, Scala developer?
```

DefaultGreeter can extend even more than one class



Traits with generic types and abstract methods

Traits become useful with generic types and with abstract methods



Extending traits

 Extending trait Iterator [A] requires type A and implementations of the two methods

```
scala > class IntIterator(to: Int) extends Iterator[Int]:
         private var current = 0
         override def hasNext: Boolean = current < to
         override def next(): Int =
           if hasNext then
             val t = current
             current += 1
           else
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       end IntIterator
// defined class IntIterator
scala> val iterator = new IntIterator(10)
val iterator: IntIterator = IntIterator@343727b5
scala> iterator.next() // returns 0
val res0: Int = 0
scala> iterator.next() // returns 1
val res1: Int = 1
```



Question 8

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