

# Intermediate Scala

## Practical Exercises

### Lab4 FunctionalDesignPatternsPart1

1. Set union is a Monoid. Is set intersection a Monoid? If not, why not?
2. Define a Monoid that can be used to “combine” `Option[T]` values. To combine two `Some` values, assume you can use a function  
 $\text{combineT}: (T, T) \Rightarrow T$
3. Using the `ProductMonoid` from the slides, write a function that calculates the average value of a `List` of `Integers`. (Hint: You will need to calculate the sum of the elements, and the number of elements.)
4. Write a Monoid for the combination of two `Function` objects using composition. Note that for this to work, the functions should return a value that is the same as that of their argument. (Such functions are known as ***endofunctions***).
5. Study the `MapMergeMonoid` from the slides. Using this, implement a method that will construct a ***Bag[T]*** (from the earlier lab exercise) from an ***IndexedSeq[T]***.