

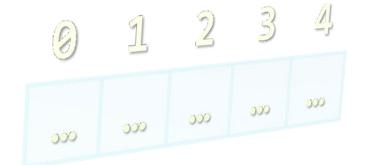
Kotlin



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Collections





Arrays

 Kotlin has a special class called Array<T> to declare arrays

```
val colors: Array<String> = arrayOf("Red", "Green", "Blue")
val names: Array<String> = emptyArray()
val nulls: Array<String?> = arrayOfNulls(10)

val numbers: Array<Int> = emptyArray()
val nums: Array<Int> = arrayOf(2, 3, 4)
val nullNums: Array<Int?> = arrayOfNulls(10)

colors.forEach { println(it) }
```

Better to use List, Set, Map

List

```
kotlin.List

kotlin.MutableList
```

```
// Immutable list - cannot add/remove elements
val numsList = listOf(1, 2, 3)
// mutable list - can add/remove elements
val mutableList = mutableListOf(1, 2, 3)
mutableList.add(4)
mutableList.removeAt(∅)
```

Set

Set is same as List but does not allow duplicates

```
// immutable set and mutable set
val colors = setOf("red", "blue", "yellow")
val mutableColors = mutableSetOf("red", "blue", "yellow")
mutableColors.add("pink")
mutableColors.add("blue") // will not be added
```

Map

Stores keys and associated values

```
val languages = mapOf(
    1 to "Python",
    2 to "Kotlin",
    3 to "Java"
)

for ((key, value) in languages) {
    println("$key => $value")
}
```

Lambda





Imperative vs. Declarative

Imperative Programming

You tell the computer how to perform a task.

Declarative Programming

- You tell the computer what you want, and you let the compiler (or runtime) figure out the best way to do it. This makes the code simpler and more concise
- Also known as Functional Programming
- Declarative programming using Lambdas helps us to achieve KISS

KEEP IT SHORT & SIMPLE



What is a Lambda?

- Lambda is very similar to a function. It has:
 - Parameters
 - A body
 - A return type
- It don't have a name (anonymous method)
- It can be assigned to a variable
- It can be passed as a parameter to other function:
 - As code to be executed by the receiving function
- Concise syntax:

```
Parameters -> Body }
```



Passing Lambda as a Parameter

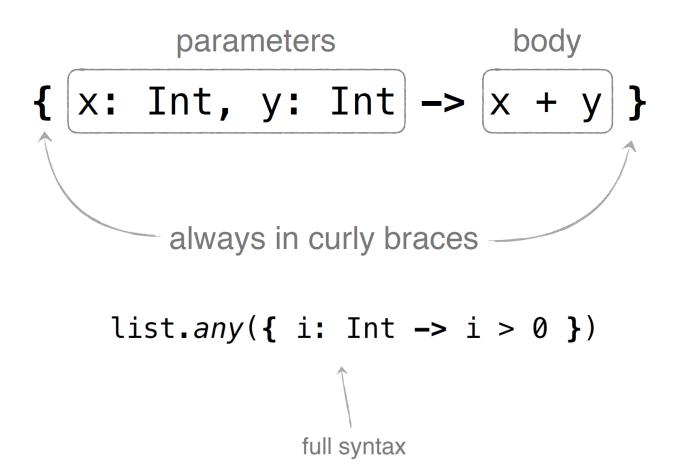
 Lambda expression can be passed as a parameter to methods such as forEach, filter and map methods:

```
val numbers = list0f(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9)
numbers.forEach { e -> println(e) }
forEach - Calls a Lambda on Each Element of the list
```

- Left side of -> operator is a parameter variable
- Right side is the code to operate on the parameter and compute a result
- When using a lambda with a List the compiler can determine the parameter type

Lambda

• **Lambda** is an <u>anonymous</u> function that you can store in a variable, pass them as parameter, or return from other function



```
list.any() { i: Int -> i > 0 }
    when lambda is the last argument,
    it can be moved out of parentheses
```

Lambda Short Form

```
list.any { i: Int -> i > 0 }
empty parentheses can be omitted
```

```
list.any { i -> i > 0 }
```

type can be omitted if it's clear from the context

Multi-line lambda

```
list.any {
    println("processing $it")
    it > 0
}
```

Last expression is the result

Lambda usage

Allows working with collections in a functional style

```
val nums = 1..10
//Version 1
var hasEvenNumber = nums.any(isEven)
//Version 2
hasEvenNumber = nums.any { n -> n % 2 == 0 }
//Version 3 - best
hasEvenNumber = nums.any { it % 2 == 0 }
//Version 1
var evens = nums.filter(isEven)
//Version 2
evens = nums.filter \{ n \rightarrow n \% 2 == 0 \}
//Version 3 - best
evens = nums.filter { it % 2 == 0 }
```

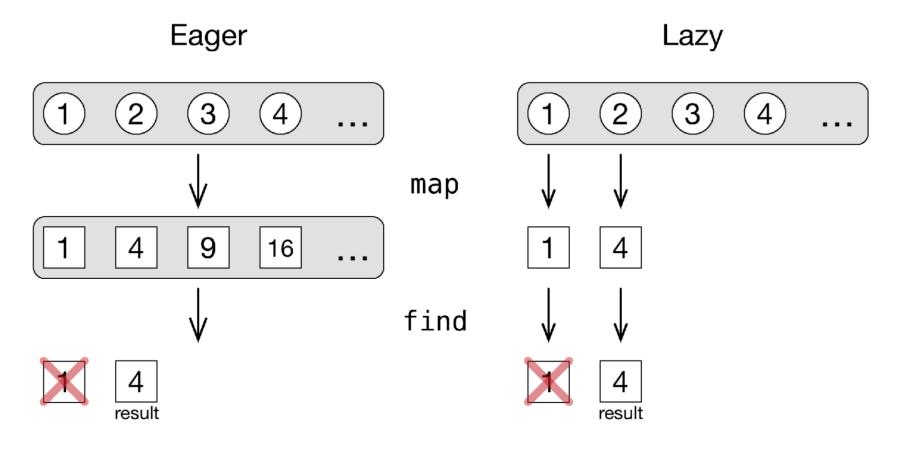
Lambda usage

e.g. What's the average age of employees working in Doha?

Member references

Collections vs Sequences => Eager vs Lazy evaluation

- Eager: each operation produces an intermediate collection having all the results then passes it to the next operation in the pipeline
- Lazy: no intermediate collections are created on chained calls



Sequence

```
// Sequences represent lazily-evaluated collections
val numSequence = generateSequence(1, { it + 1 })
// Nothing happens until terminal operation .toList() is called
val nums = numSequence.take(10).toList()
println(nums) // => [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
// Convert list to a sequence to enable lazy evaluation
val numbers = listOf(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
val sum = numbers.asSequence()
        .map { it * 2 } // Lazy
        .filter { it % 2 == 0 } // Lazy
        .reduce(Int::plus) // Terminal (eager)
println(sum) // 30
```

Lazy Evaluation

- Nothing happens until terminal operation is called
- No intermediate collections are created on chained calls

```
intermediate operations
sequence.map { ... }.filter { ... }.toList()
terminal operation
```

Common operations on collections

Filter, Map, Reduce, and others















Common operations on collections

.map \delta \delta

Applies a function to each list element

.filter(condition) \(\gamma\)



 Returns a new list with the elements that satisfy the condition

.find(condition)



 Returns the first list element that satisfy the condition

.reduce



 Applies an accumulator function to each element of the list to reduce them to a single value

Operations Pipeline



- A pipeline of operations: a sequence of operations where the output of each operation becomes the input into the next
 - e.g., .filter -> .map -> .sum
- Operations are either Intermediate or Terminal
- Intermediate operations produce a new list as output (e.g., map, filter, ...)
- Terminal operations are the final operation in the pipeline (e.g., find, reduce, sum ...)
 - Once a terminal operation is invoked then no further operations can be performed



Keep elements that satisfy a condition





Transform elements by applying a Lambda to each element



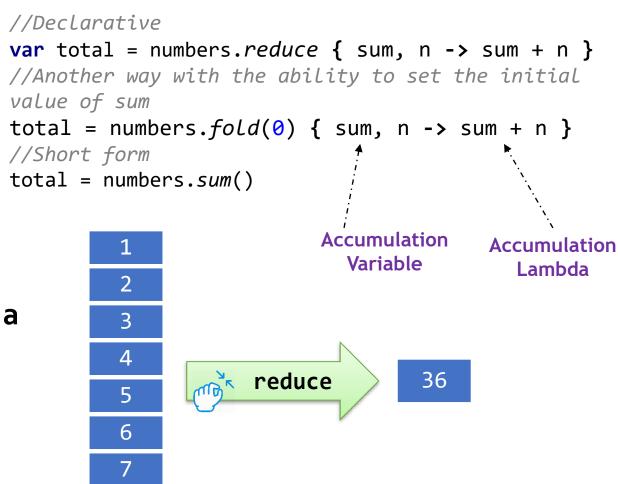
Reduce



Apply an accumulator function to each element of the list to reduce them to a single value

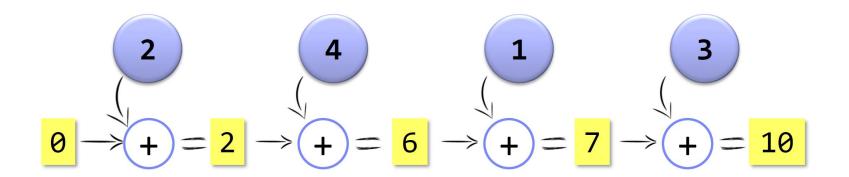
```
// Imperative
var sum = 0
for(n in numbers)
    sum += n
```

Collapse the multiple elements of a list into a single element



Reduce





Reduce is terminal operation that yields a single value

Convenience Reducers

sum, average, count, min, max

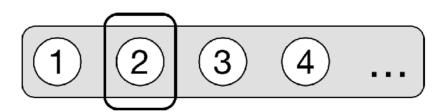
They are terminal operations that yield a single value

```
val nums = listOf(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10)
val sum = nums.sum()
val count = nums.count()
val average = nums.average()
val max = nums.maxOrNull()
val min = nums.minOrNull()
```

any (all, none)

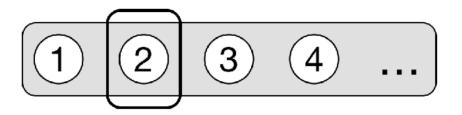


- any returns true if it finds an element that satisfies the lambda condition
- all returns false if it finds an element that fails the lambda condition
- none returns false if it finds an element that satisfies the lambda condition



find / firstOrNull

Return first element satisfying a condition

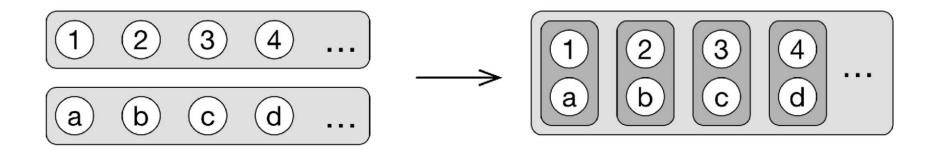


partition

```
val (even, odd) = listOf(1, 2, 3, 4). partition { it % 2 == 0 }
```

zip

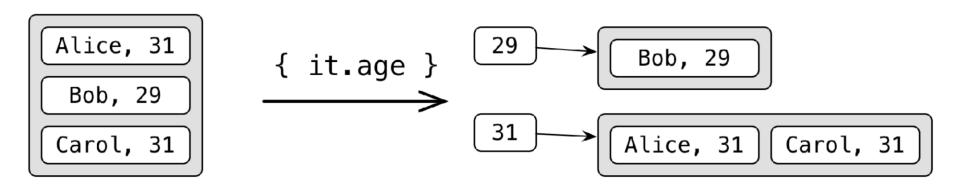
Returns a list from the elements from 2 lists having the same index. The resulting list ends as soon as the shortest input list ends



```
val nums = listOf(1, 2, 3, 4)
val letters = listOf("a", "b", "c", "d")
val result = nums.zip(letters)
```

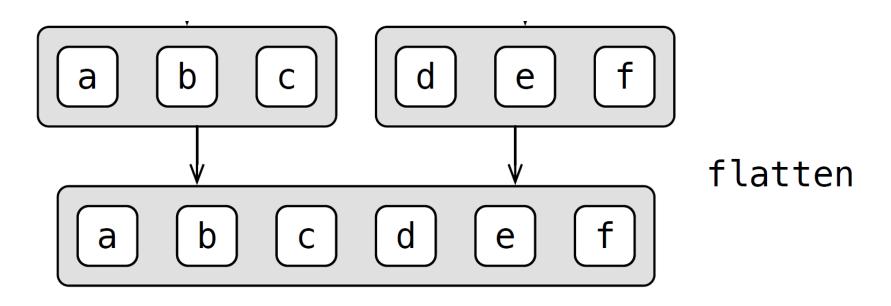
groupBy

groupBy is used to split a list into groups



people.groupBy { it.age }

flatMap



```
val listOfList = listOf(
    listOf("a", "b", "c"),
    listOf("d", "e", "f")
)
val singleList = listOfList.flatMap { it }
```

flatMap

Do a map and flatten the results into 1 list

Each book has a list of authors. **flatMap** combines them to produce a single list of **all** authors

```
class Book(
    val title: String,
    val authors: List<String>
)

fun main() {
    val books = listOf(
        Book("Head First Kotlin", listOf("Dawn Griffiths", "David Griffiths")),
        Book("Kotlin in Action", listOf("Dmitry Jemerov", "Svetlana Isakova"))
    )
    val authors = books.flatMap { it.authors }
}
```

Sort a List using Lambda

Sort strings by length (shortest to longest)

```
val names = listOf("Abderahame", "Abdelkarim", "Ali", "Sarah", "Samira", "Farida")
println(">Sorted by length:")
var sorted = names.sortedBy { it.length }
println(sorted)

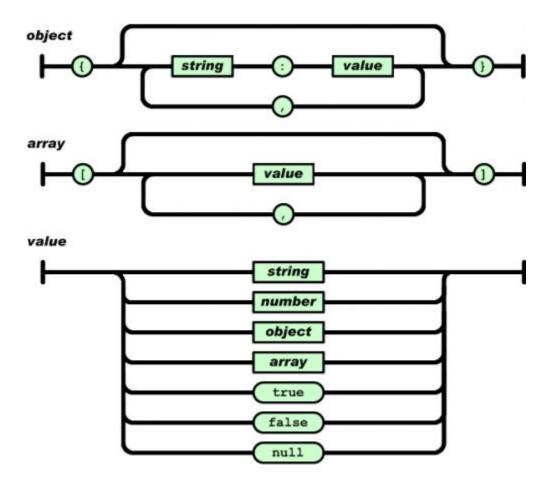
println("\n>Sorted by length and then alphabetically:")
//Sort strings by length (shortest, longest) and then alphabetically
sorted = names.sortedWith( compareBy( { it.length }, { it }) )
println(sorted)
```

Use .compareBy for multi-step comparisons

Use .apply for object initialization or for changing multiple attributes

```
val conference = Conference( name: "Kotlin Conf.", city: "Istanbul", fee: 300.0)
// Version 1 🖗 - Change the conference city and fee then print it
conference.city = "Doha"
conference.fee = 200.0
println(conference)
// Version 2 ** Best → ** - Change the conference city and fee then print it
// .apply changes the object and returns it
// .also execute some processing on the object and returns it
conference.apply { this: Conference
    city = "Doha"
    fee = 200.0
}.also { println(it) }
```







JSON Data Format

- JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) is a very popular lightweight data format to transform an object to a text form to ease storing and transporting data
- Json class could be used to transform an object to json or transform a json string to an object

Transform an instance of Surah class to a JSON string:

```
■ id: int
■ name: String
■ englishName: String
■ ayaCount: int
■ type: String
```

```
val fatiha = Surah(1, "غني", "Al-Fatiha", 7, "Meccan")
val surahJson = Json.encodeToString
(fatiha)

// Converting a json string to an object
val surah = Json.decodeFromString
<Surah>(surahJson)

{ "id": 1,
    "name": ","غنفا
    "englishName": "Al-Fatiha",
    "ayaCount": 7,
    "type": "Meccan"
}
```

@Serializable

 To use Json sterilization the class must be annotated with @Serializable

```
@Serializable
data class Surah (
    val id : Int,
    val name: String,
    val englishName : String,
    val ayaCount : Int,
    val type: String
)
```

Read JSON file

Read a JSON file and convert its content to objects

```
val filePath = "data/surahs.json"
val fileContent = File(filePath).readText()

val surahs = Json.decodeFromString<List<Surah>>(fileContent)
```



You may use https://plugins.jetbrains.com/plugin/10054-generate-kotlin-data-classes-from-json
Android Studio plugin to generate a Kotlin class from a json string!

Dependencies to use Kotlin Serialization

- To be able use @Serializable and Json class you need to add these dependencies then sync:
- 1) Add to dependencies of the 1st (Project) build.gradle: classpath "org.jetbrains.kotlin:kotlin-serialization:\$kotlin_version"
- 2) Add to dependencies of the 2nd (Module) build.gradle implementation "org.jetbrains.kotlinx:kotlinx-serialization-core:1.0.0-RC"
- 3) Add this apply plugin to the 2nd build.gradle before line "android {" apply plugin: 'kotlinx-serialization'

Summary

- To start thinking in the functional style avoid loops and instead use Lambdas
 - Widely used for list processing and GUI building to handle events
- A list can be processed in a pipeline
 - Typical pipeline operations are filter, map and reduce
- JSON is a very popular lightweight data format to transform an object to a text form to ease storing and transporting data