

SCALA 101 - INTRODUCTION TRAINING

SESSION 2

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- Functional programming
- Higher order functions
- For-comprehensions
- More Scala collections

HOMEWORK - EXERCISE 4



- Questions/remarks
- Showcase solutions

EXERCISE 4: TODO.TXT - POSSIBLE SOLUTION



For example

```
import todo.TodoParser
import org.scalatest.flatspec.AnyFlatSpec
import org.scalatest.matchers.should.Matchers

class TaskTest extends AnyFlatSpec with Matchers {
  it should "parse a simple task" in {
    val task = parse("(A) Call mom")

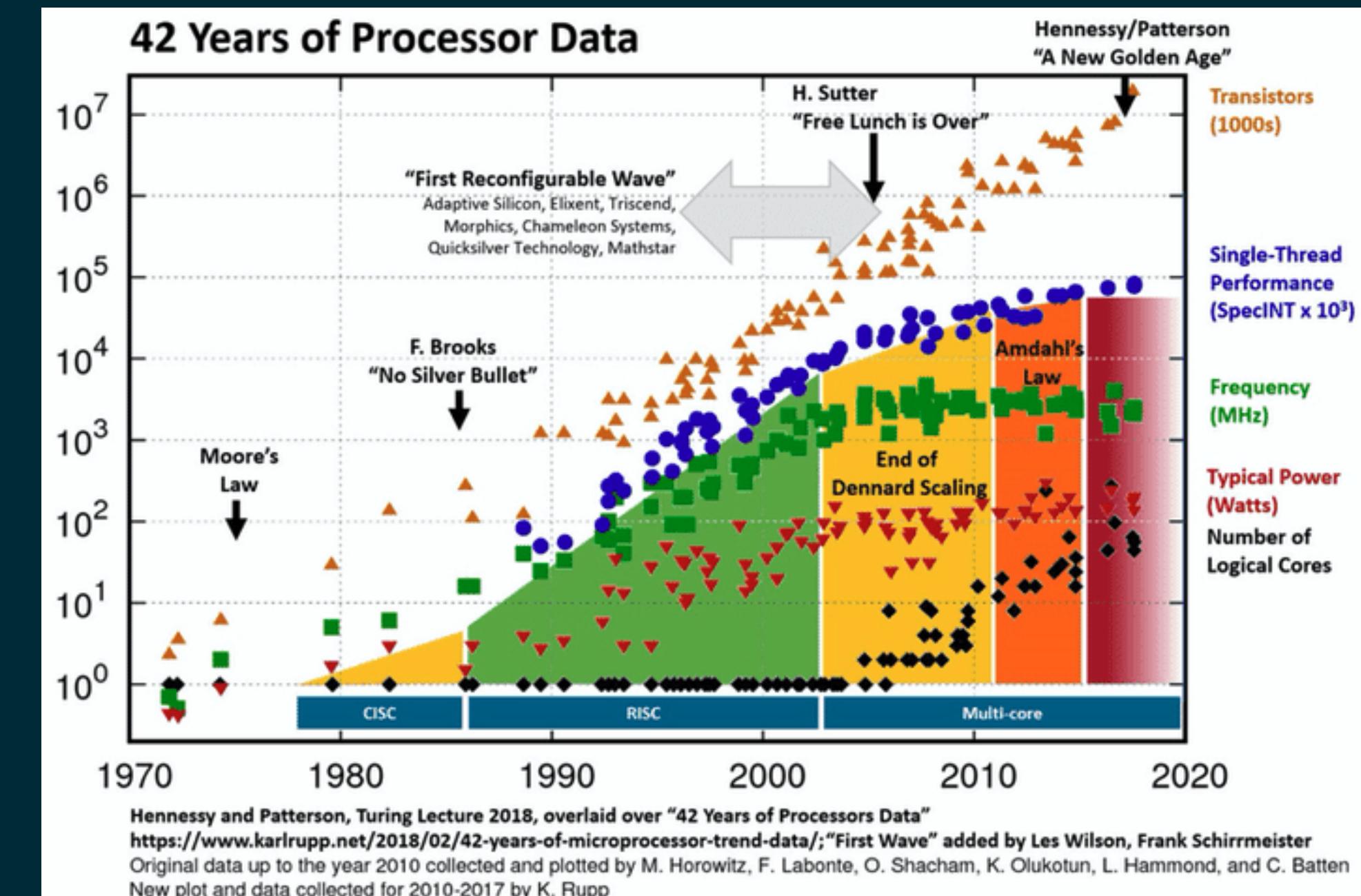
    task.isSuccess shouldBe true
    task.get.priority shouldBe Some("A")
    task.get.description shouldBe Some("Call mom")
  }

  private def parse(input: String) = {
    val parser = TodoParser(input)
    parser.task.run()
  }
}
```

MODULE 5 - FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING

WHY FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING?

- The free lunch is over
- Computers (CPU's) do not get faster anymore
- To speed up you need to scale
 - use more cores
 - use more servers
- To be able to scale you need to distribute your data
 - distributing *immutable* data is infinitely easier



OBJECT-ORIENTED VERSUS FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING

- OO versus FP makes no sense
 - They are *NOT* mutually exclusive
- OO can be combined with
 - imperative programming, like Java, C#, C++
 - functional programming, like Scala, F#, OCaml

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This is true for any expression that only contains function calls to functions that have no side effects

val VERSUS var

Functional programming is about transforming *immutable* data

```
val i = 0  
i = i + 1 // does not compile
```

```
var j = 0  
j = j + 1 // OK
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- The last statement in each block (**{ ... }**) is treated as the value of that block

# ITERATION

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 var result = 0
 var i = 0
 while (i < xs.size) {
 result += xs(i)
 i += 1
 }
 result
}
```

# RECURSION

```
def sum(xs: List[Int]): Int = {
 if (xs.isEmpty)
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 else
 xs.head + sum(xs.tail)
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- Truly tail-recursive functions are not that easy to write, look for more examples on  
<http://alvinalexander.com/scala/scala-recursion-examples-recursive-programming>

# A NOTE ABOUT STYLE



- Always use the `@tailrec` annotation when you expect the function to be tail recursive
  - You get a compiler warning if it is not

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- This works because case classes have an `unapply` method that allow you to decompose

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  - Possible because of Scala's short-circuiting of boolean expressions

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// a function that tests for the presence of a value in a set
def contains(s: Set, elem: Int): Boolean = s(elem)
```

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def singletonSet(elem: Int): Set = ??? // set with only 1 element

def union(s: Set, t: Set): Set = ??? // set with all elements from s and t

def intersect(s: Set, t: Set): Set = ??? // set with elements that are in s and in t

def diff(s: Set, t: Set): Set = ??? // set with elements from s that are not in t
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# MODULE 6 - HIGHER ORDER FUNCTIONS

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# FOR COMPREHENSIONS - FUNCTIONAL

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- and then the inner **for** is translated again...

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Listing all combinations of numbers x and y, where x is drawn from 1 to m, and y is drawn from 1 to n

```
for (x <- 1 to m; y <- 1 to n) yield (x, y)

// is equivalent to

(1 to m).flatMap(x => (1 to n) map (y => (x, y)))
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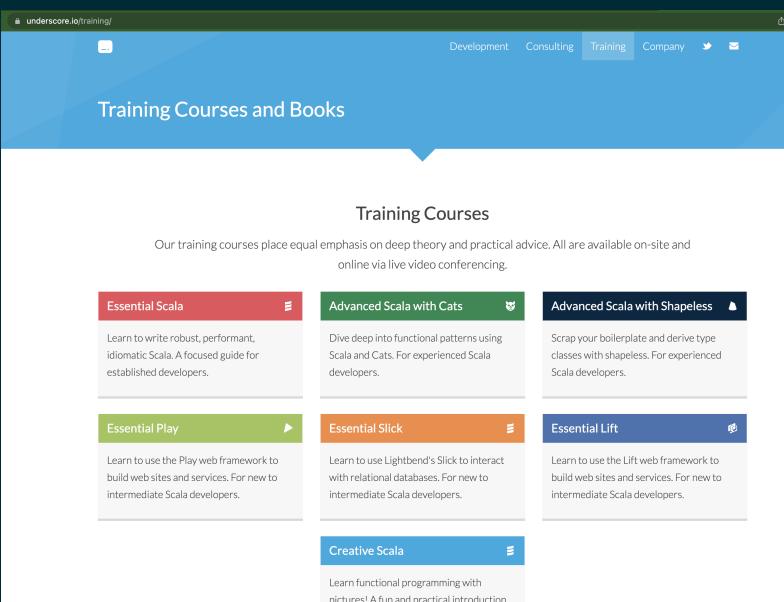
Open **appHamlet/src/main/scala/words/functions.scala** and add/update the code to make the program work as expected.

Exercises available at <https://github.com/code-star/scala101-full-course.git>

# WRAP UP

# RESOURCES FOR FURTHER STUDY

- Twitter's Scala School
  - [http://twitter.github.io/scala\\_school/](http://twitter.github.io/scala_school/)
- Free online courses at Coursera
  - <https://www.coursera.org/specializations/scala>
- Book: Functional Programming in Scala
  - <https://www.manning.com/books/functional-programming-in-scala>
- Udemy training
  - <https://www.udemy.com/course/rock-the-jvm-scala-for-beginners/>
- Underscore.io - free eBooks
  - <https://underscore.io/training/>



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QUESTIONS?