

What is the syntax of `for` expressions essentially equivalent to?

Common operations of database query languages.

Which methods are used to rewrite `for`
syntax?

aka for expression with yield:map, flatMap, filter.

Without: foreach, filter.

aka for loop.

What are `for` expressions often used for?

Creating a new collection from an old one.

Describe filter form.

`if expr`

`expr` is an expression resulting in a Boolean.

Filter drops from iteration the values for which `expr` returns `False`.

Describe generator form.

How does it work?

```
pat <- expr
```

`pat` is matched one-by-one against elements of `expr`, typically a `List`, but no `MatchError` is thrown; the element is simply discarded.

If `pat` is just a variable, the result will be simple iteration.

When does translation of `for` expressions happen?

Before type checking. The only result of expansion must type check.

`map`, `flatMap`, `filter`, **and** `foreach` **don't need** and particular signature.

Give the general `for` expression syntax.

```
for (seq) yield expr
```

`seq` is a sequence of generators, definitions, and filters, with semicolons between elements.

`seq` starts with a generator.

Describe generator form.

`pat = expr`

This binds pattern `pat` to the value of `expr`.

The most common case is defining a simple variable `x`.

Note there is not necessarily a `val`. Simple variable binding will be the same as `val x = expr`.

What are the rules for introducing `for` expression support to new types?

If your type defines just `Map` it allows expressions with a single generator.

If it defines `flatMap` + `map` it allows expressions with multiple generators.

If it defines `foreach` it allows `for` loops (both with single and multiple generators).

If it defines `filter` it allows for filter expressions.