Scala Code Samples

Case Classes

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What is a Case Class in Scala?

A case class in Scala is a special kind of class that is:

- Immutable by default
- Lightweight and boilerplate-free
- Designed to hold data
- Automatically supports pattern matching

It is mostly used to model data records, similar to how you might use:

- A POJO in Java
- A dataclass in Python
- Or a simple "record" structure in ETL pipelines.

Why "case" class?

Because they are designed to be used in **pattern matching**—for example, you can easily *match cases* based on their data (not memory reference).

Basic Syntax

case class ClassName(param1: Type1, param2: Type2, ...)

Example 1 — Basic Case Class

case class Person(name: String, age: Int)

```
object Demo extends App {
  val p1 = Person("Aarav", 25)
  val p2 = Person("Diya", 30)
  println(p1)  // Person(Aarav,25)
  println(p1 == p2)  // false (value comparison)
}
```

💡 No new keyword is needed — the compiler automatically provides an apply() method to create instances.

Key Features of Case Classes

Feature	Explanation
1. Immutable fields	All constructor parameters are treated as val by default.
2. No new keyword	You can create objects like Person("Aarav", 25).
3. Auto-generated methods	Scala generates toString, equals, hashCode, copy, and apply automatically.

4. Pattern matching	Easily used in match expressions.
5. Companion object	Automatically created by the compiler.
6. Useful for Spark Dataset	Perfect for defining structured data in Spark.
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Example 1 — Basic Case Class

Example 2 — Pattern Matching

```
case class Order(id: Int, amount: Double, customer: String)

object IndianOrders extends App {
  val order = Order(101, 7999.99, "Rahul Mehta")

  order match {
    case Order(_, amt, cust) if amt > 5000 => println(s"High-value order by $cust")
    case Order(_, amt, cust) => println(s"Order by $cust: ₹$amt")
  }
}
```

```
Output:
```

High-value order by Rahul Mehta

Example 3 — Nested Case Classes

```
case class Address(city: String, pincode: String)
case class Employee(name: String, dept: String, address: Address)

object IndianEmployeeDemo extends App {
  val emp = Employee("Sneha Iyer", "Finance", Address("Chennai",
"600001"))
  println(s"${emp.name} works in ${emp.dept} at
${emp.address.city}")
}
```

Output:

Sneha Iyer works in Finance at Chennai

Example 4 — Case Class with List

```
case class Student(name: String, grade: String)

object IndianStudentsDemo extends App {
  val students = List(
    Student("Arjun Reddy", "A"),
    Student("Meera Singh", "B+"),
    Student("Vikram Nair", "A"),
    Student("Ananya Sharma", "A+")
  )
```

```
students.foreach(s => println(s"${s.name} scored grade
${s.grade}"))
}
```

Output:

```
Arjun Reddy scored grade A
Meera Singh scored grade B+
Vikram Nair scored grade A
Ananya Sharma scored grade A+
```

Example 5 — Spark + Case Class with Indian Employee Data

```
import org.apache.spark.sql.SparkSession
case class Employee(id: Int, name: String, city: String, salary:
Double)
object IndianSparkExample {
 def main(args: Array[String]): Unit = {
    val spark = SparkSession.builder
      .appName("IndianEmployeeCaseClass")
      .master("local[*]")
      .getOrCreate()
    import spark.implicits._
    val data = Seq(
      Employee(1, "Rohan Patel", "Ahmedabad", 75000),
      Employee(2, "Priya Nair", "Kochi", 82000),
      Employee(3, "Karthik R", "Bangalore", 95000),
      Employee(4, "Sneha Iyer", "Chennai", 88000)
```

```
val ds = data.toDS()
  ds.show()
}
```

Output:

₩1 What is Scala?

Scala = Scalable Language

It's a modern, hybrid programming language that combines:

- Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) like Java
- Functional Programming (FP) like Python or Haskell

Scala runs on the **JVM** (Java Virtual Machine) — so you can use **Java libraries** and integrate easily with Big Data tools like **Apache Spark**.

2 Environment Setup

✓ Install Prerequisites

Tool	Recommended Version (2025)
Java (JDK)	11 or 17
Scala	2.12.x or 2.13.x
Build Tool	SBT (Scala Build Tool)
IDE	IntelliJ IDEA (Community or Ultimate)

Verify Installation

■ ③First Scala Program

File: HelloWorld.scala

```
object HelloWorld {
  def main(args: Array[String]): Unit = {
    println("Hello, Scala World!")
  }
}
V Run:
scalac HelloWorld.scala
scala HelloWorld
V Output:
Hello, Scala World!
```

12 4 Variables and Data Types

Immutable (val) vs Mutable (var)

Туре	Example
Int	10
Double	10.5
Boolean	true
String	"Hello"

5 Expressions and Conditionals

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Everything in Scala is an expression that returns a value. val result = if (10 > 5) "Greater" else "Smaller" println(result) // Greater
```

6 Loops

```
for (i <- 1 to 5) println(s"Count: $i")
var sum = 0
while (sum < 10) {
  sum += 2
  println(sum)
}</pre>
```

7 Functions

Simple function

```
def greet(name: String): String = {
  s"Welcome, $name!"
}
println(greet("Meera"))
```

Function without return type

```
def add(a: Int, b: Int) = a + b
println(add(10, 5))
```

8Classes and Objects

```
class Person(val name: String, val age: Int) {
  def showInfo(): Unit = println(s"$name is $age years old")
}
```

```
object Demo extends App {
 val p = new Person("Rohan", 30)
 p.showInfo()
}
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case class Employee(name: String, dept: String)
object Test extends App {
 val emp = Employee("Sneha", "Finance")
 println(emp)
}
Output:
Employee(Sneha, Finance)
10 Collections
List
val fruits = List("Apple", "Banana", "Mango")
fruits.foreach(println)
Map
val marks = Map("Math" -> 95, "Science" -> 90)
println(marks("Math")) // 95
Tuple
val student = ("Rahul", 18, "Chennai")
println(student._1) // Rahul
→ 11 Higher-Order Functions
Functions can take other functions as arguments.
def applyFunc(x: Int, f: Int => Int): Int = f(x)
val result = applyFunc(5, x => x * x)
println(result) // 25
12 Object-Oriented Concepts
Inheritance Example
class Animal {
 def sound(): Unit = println("Animal sound")
}
class Dog extends Animal {
 override def sound(): Unit = println("Bark")
object InheritDemo extends App {
 val d = new Dog
 d.sound()
   13 Pattern Matching
val x = 2
x match {
 case 1 => println("One")
 case 2 => println("Two")
 case _ => println("Other number")
}
14 Option and Some/None
```

To safely handle null-like scenarios.

```
val maybeName: Option[String] = Some("Kavya")
println(maybeName.getOrElse("No name"))
15 Try / Catch for Exceptions
try {
val result = 10 / 0
} catch {
 case e: ArithmeticException => println("Cannot divide by zero")
16 Working with Collections – Map, Filter, Reduce
val numbers = List(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
val squares = numbers.map(x => x * x)
val evens = numbers.filter(_ % 2 == 0)
val sum = numbers.reduce(_ + _)
println(squares) // List(1, 4, 9, 16, 25)
println(evens) // List(2, 4)
println(sum) // 15
17 Companion Objects
class Student(val name: String)
object Student {
 def apply(name: String): Student = new Student(name)
val s = Student("Riya") // no 'new' keyword
println(s.name)
Summary
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Concept	Example
Print	println("Hello")
Variable	val x = 10
Function	def add(a:Int,b:Int)=a+b
Class	class Person()
Object	object Demo extends App {}
Case Class	case class Employee(name:String,dept:String)
List	List(1,2,3)
Мар	Map("A"->1,"B"->2)
Pattern Match	x match { case }

Recommended Scala Tutorial / Learning Repos

Repo	Highlights / Why It's Useful
jetbrains-academy/scala-tutoria	A concise Scala tutorial covering basics: types, control, OOP, FP, etc.
I	<u>GitHub</u>
abdheshkumar/scala-examples	A rich set of Scala code examples: case classes, pattern matching,
	closures, recursion, etc. <u>GitHub</u>
rockthejvm/udemy-scala-begin	Code from Rock the JVM's beginner Scala course — good for following
ners	along with lessons. <u>GitHub</u>
handsonscala/handsonscala	Executable code for many Scala topics, organized by chapters (good
	one to drill practice). <u>GitHub</u>
Baeldung/scala-tutorials	Sample code supporting Scala tutorials with modular structure and
	topics. <u>GitHub</u>

amir2b/scala-tutorial	A simple Scala tutorial repo for beginners (syntax, OOP, FP) <u>GitHub</u>
lukaszlenart/scala-basics	A workshop-style repo introducing Scala fundamentals: SBT,
	collections, higher-order functions, etc. <u>GitHub</u>