

Quote or be quote'd

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s"hello \$name"

SIP-11 Extensible String Interpolation Syntax

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SIP-11 Extensible ~~String Interpolation~~ Syntax
Quotation

understanding desugaring

```
q"hello $name"
```

```
=> StringContext("hello ", "").q(name)
```

```
=> Quasiquote(StringContext("hello ", "").q(name))
```

understanding desugaring

```
implicit class Quasiquote(ctx: StringContext) {  
  object q {  
    def apply[T](args: T*): Tree = ...  
  }  
}
```

Joy

a functional, stack-oriented programming language

Joy basics

```
> 1 1 +  
2
```

```
> 1 2 =  
false
```

```
> true false or  
true
```

```
> 2 2 2 * *  
8
```

Joy basics

```
> [1 2 3 + +] i  
6
```

```
> [1 2 3] first  
1
```

```
> [1 2 3] rest  
[2 3]
```


Joy basics

```
> 2 [0 >] [true] [false] ifte  
true
```

```
> [1 2 3] [1 +] map  
[2 3 4]
```

```
> [1 2 3 4] [2 rem 0 =] filter  
[2 4]
```

Joy syntax trees

```
sealed trait Joy
object Joy {
  final case class Int(value: scala.Int) extends Joy
  final case class Bool(value: Boolean) extends Joy
  final case class Name(value: String) extends Joy
  final case class Quoted(elems: List[Joy]) extends Joy
  final case class Program(elems: List[Joy]) extends Joy
}
```

Joy parsing

```
object parse extends RegexParsers {  
  val lexical = new StdLexical  
  lexical.delimiters += List("[", "]")  
  lexical.reserved    += List("true", "false", "+", "*", ...)  
  
  def int    = (...).r           ^^ Joy.Int(_.toInt)  
  def name   = (...).r           ^^ Joy.Name  
  def tru    = "true"            ^^ Joy.Bool(true)  
  def fls    = "false"           ^^ Joy.Bool(false)  
  def quot   = "[" ~> rep(joy) <~ "]" ^^ Joy.Quoted  
  def op      = ("+" | "*" | ... ) ^^ Joy.Name  
  def prog   = rep(joy)           ^^ Joy.Program  
  def joy    = tru | fls | op | name | int | quoted  
}
```

Basic quotation

```
implicit class JoyQuote(ctx: StringContext) {  
  def j(args: Joy*): Joy = Joy.parse(ctx.parts.head).get  
}
```

```
scala> println(j"1 2 3 + *".toString)  
Joy(Int(1), Int(2), Int(3), Name(+), Name(*))
```

Pretty printing

```
sealed trait Joy {  
  final override def toString = this match {  
    case Joy.Int(value)      => value.toString  
    case Joy.Bool(value)     => value.toString  
    case Joy.Name(value)     => value  
    case Joy.Quoted(elems)   => elems.mkString("[", " ", "]")  
    case Joy.Program(elems)  => elems.mkString("", " ", "")  
  }  
}
```

```
scala> println(j"1 2 3 + *".toString)  
1 2 3 + *
```

Macro quotation

```
implicit class JoyQuote(val ctx: StringContext) {
  def j(args: Joy*): Joy = macro JoyQuoteImpl.apply
}

class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {
  import c.universe._

  lazy val q"$_($_(..${parts: List[String]})).j(..$args)" =
    c.macroApplication

  implicit def lift[J <: Joy]: Liftable[J] = Liftable {
    case Joy.Int(value)      => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Int($value)"
    case Joy.Bool(value)     => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Bool($value)"
    case Joy.Name(value)     => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Name($value)"
    case Joy.Quoted(joys)    => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Quoted($joys)"
    case Joy.Program(joys)   => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Program($joys)"
  }

  def apply(args: Tree*) = lift(Joy.parse(parts.head).get)
}
```

Macro quotation

```
scala> j"1 2 3 + *"
```

// expands into

```
scala> Joy.Program(List(Joy.Int(1), Joy.Int(2), Joy.Int(3),  
                        Joy.Name("+"), Joy.Name("*")))
```

Unquoting

would be nice to make it composable:

```
scala> val two = j"2"
```

```
scala> j"$two $two +"
2 2 +
```


Unquoting

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {  
  ...  
  
  object Hole {  
    def apply(i: Int) = s"$$placeholder$i"  
    def unapply(s: String): Option[Int] = ...  
  }  
  
  def code() =  
    parts.init.zipWithIndex.map { case (part, i) =>  
      s"$part${Hole(i)}"  
    }.mkString("", "", parts.last)  
  
  implicit def lift[J <: Joy]: Liftable[J] = ...  
  
  def apply(args: Tree*) = lift(Joy.parse(code()).get)  
}
```

Unquoting

```
scala> val two = j"2"  
two: joy.Joy.Int = 1
```

```
scala> j"$two $two +"  
res0: joy.Joy.Program = $placeholder0 $placeholder1 +
```

Unquoting

```
implicit def lift[J <: Joy]: Liftable[J] = Liftable {  
  case Joy.Int(value)      => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Int($value)"  
  case Joy.Bool(value)     => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Bool($value)"  
  case Joy.Name(Hole(i)) => args(i)  
  case Joy.Name(value)     => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Name($value)"  
  case Joy.Quoted(joys)    => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Quoted($joys)"  
  case Joy.Program(joys)   => q"_root_.joy.Joy.Program($joys)"  
}
```

Unquoting

```
scala> val two = j"2"  
two: joy.Joy.Int = 2
```

```
scala> j"$two $two +"  
res0: joy.Joy.Program = 2 2 +
```

```
// expands into:  
// Joy.Program(List(two, two, Joy.Name("+")))
```

Lifting

would be nice to unquote scala values:

```
scala> val two = 2
```

```
scala> j"$two $two +"
2 2 +
```

Lifting

```
trait Joy
object Joy {
  ...

  // typeclass-based conversion to Joy tree
  trait Lift[T] { def apply(value: T): Joy }
  object Lift { ... }
}
```

Lifting

```
implicit class JoyQuote(val ctx: StringContext) {  
  def j[T](args: T*): Joy = macro JoyQuoteImpl.apply  
}  
  
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {  
  import c.universe._  
  
  lazy val q"$_($_(..${parts: List[String]})).j[..$_](..$args)" =  
    c.macroApplication  
  ...  
}
```

Lifting

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {  
  ...  
  
  def arg(i: Int) = {  
    val arg = args(i)  
    val tpe = arg.tpe  
    if (tpe <::< typeOf[Joy]) arg  
    else {  
      val LiftT = appliedType(typeOf[Joy.Lift[_]], tpe)  
      val lift = c.inferImplicitValue(LiftT, silent = true)  
      if (lift.nonEmpty) q"$lift($arg)"  
      else c.abort(...)  
    }  
  }  
}  
  
  ...  
}
```


Lifting

```
scala> val two = 2  
ft: Int = 42
```

```
scala> j"$two $two +"  
res1: joy.Joy.Program = 2 2 +
```

Splicing

would be also nice to flatten collections into quote:

```
scala> val xs = List(j"a", j"b", j"c")
```

```
scala> j"..$xs + +"  
a b c + +
```

Splicing

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {
  ...

  implicit def liftJoys: Liftable[List[Joy]] = Liftable { joys =>
    def prepend(joys: List[Joy], t: Tree) = ...
    def append(t: Tree, joys: List[Joy]) = ...

    val (pre, middle) = joys.span(_ != Joy.Name(".."))
    middle match {
      case Nil =>
        prepend(pre, q"$Nil")
      case Joy.Name("..") :: Joy.Name(Hole(i)) :: rest =>
        append(prepend(pre, arg(i)), rest)
      case _ =>
        c.abort(...)
    }
  }

  implicit def lift[J <: Joy]: Liftable[J] = ...

  ...
}
```

Splicing

```
scala> val xs = List(j"a", j"b", j"c")  
xs: List[joy.Joy.Name] = List(a, b, c)
```

```
scala> j"..$xs + +"  
res1: joy.Joy.Program = a b c + +
```

Feature interaction: splicing of trees as collections

```
scala> val xs = j"1 2 3"  
xs: joy.Joy.Program = 1 2 3
```

```
scala> j"..$xs + +"  
<console>:12: error: .. value must be of iterable type  
      j"..$xs + +"  
      ^
```

Feature interaction: splicing of trees

```
object Joy {  
  final case class Int(value: scala.Int) extends Joy  
  final case class Bool(value: scala.Boolean) extends Joy  
  final case class Name(value: String) extends Joy  
  final case class Quoted(elems: List[Joy])  
    extends Iterable[Joy] with Joy {  
    def iterator = elems.iterator  
  }  
  final case class Program(elems: List[Joy])  
    extends Iterable[Joy] with Joy {  
    def iterator = elems.iterator  
  }  
}
```

Feature interaction: splicing of trees

```
scala> val xs = j"1 2 3"  
xs: joy.Joy.Program = 1 2 3
```

```
scala> j"..$xs + +"  
res0: joy.Joy.Program = 1 2 3 + +
```

Feature interaction: splicing + lifting

```
scala> val xs = List(1, 2, 3)
xs: List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3)
```

```
scala> j"..$xs + +"
<console>:12: error: type mismatch;
 found   : joy.Joy
 required: List[joy.Joy]
      j"..$xs + +"
      ^
```


Feature interaction: splicing + lifting

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {
  ...

  def arg(i: Int, dotted: Boolean = false) = {
    val arg = args(i)
    val tpe = if (!dotted) arg.tpe else iterableT(arg.tpe)
    val subst: Tree => Tree =
      if (tpe <::< typeOf[Joy]) identity
      else {
        val LiftT = appliedType(typeOf[Joy.Lift[_]], tpe)
        val lift = c.inferImplicitValue(LiftT, silent = true)
        if (lift.nonEmpty) t => q"$lift($t)"
        else c.abort(arg.pos,
          s"couldn't find implicit value of type Lift[$tpe]")
      }
    if (!dotted) subst(arg)
    else {
      val x = TermName(c.freshName())
      q"$arg.map { ($x: $tpe) => ${subst(q"$x")} }.toList"
    }
  }

  ...
}
```

Feature interaction: splicing + lifting

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {  
  ...  
  
  lazy val IterableClass: TypeSymbol =  
    typeOf[Iterable[_]].typeSymbol.asType  
  
  lazy val IterableTParam: Type =  
    IterableClass.typeParams(0).asType.toType  
  
  def iterableT(tpe: Type): Type =  
    IterableTParam.asSeenFrom(tpe, IterableClass)  
  
  ...  
}
```

Feature interaction: splicing + lifting

```
scala> val xs = List(1, 2, 3)
xs: List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3)
```

```
scala> j"..$xs + +"
res0: joy.Joy.Program = 1 2 3 + +
```

Status

so far we've obtained:

1. AST + parser
2. compile-time expression quotations
3. with higher-order unquoting
4. and typeclass-based interop through `Lift[T]`

looks good but we're not done yet

Pattern matching

```
scala> val j"1 2" = j"1 2"  
<console>:10: error: macro method j is not a case class, nor does it  
have an unapply/unapplySeq member  
      val j"1 2" = j"1 2"  
            ^
```

Pattern matching

```
implicit class JoyQuote(val ctx: StringContext) {  
  object j {  
    def apply[T](args: T*): Joy = macro JoyQuoteImpl.apply  
    def unapply(scrutinee: Any): Any = macro JoyQuoteImpl.unapply  
  }  
}  
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {  
  import c.universe._  
  
  lazy val q"$_($_(..${parts: List[String]})).j.${method: TermName}["  
    $_](..$args)" = c.macroApplication  
  
  ...  
  
  def expand = lift(Joy.parse(code()).get)  
  def apply(args: Tree*) = expand  
  def unapply(scrutinee: Tree) = expand  
}
```

Pattern matching

```
scala> val j"1 2" = j"1 2"
```

```
// it works!
```

Pattern matching: unquoting

```
scala> val j"$a $b" = j"1 2"  
java.lang.IndexOutOfBoundsException: 1  
...
```


Pattern matching: unquoting

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {  
  ...  
  def wrap(lifted: Tree): Tree = method match {  
    case TermName("apply")    => lifted  
    case TermName("unapply") =>  
      val (thenp, elsep) =  
        if (parts.length == 1) (q"true", q"false")  
        else {  
          val xs = ...  
          (q"_root_.scala.Some(..$xs)", q"_root_.scala.None")  
        }  
      q"""" new {  
        def unapply(joy: _root_.joy.Joy) = {  
          joy match {  
            case $lifted => $thenp  
            case _       => $elsep  
          }  
        }  
      }.unapply(..$args) """"  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

Pattern matching: unquoting

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {  
  ...  
  def arg(i: Int, dotted: Boolean = false) = method match {  
    case TermName("apply") =>  
      ...  
      case TermName("unapply") =>  
        val x = TermName(s"x$i")  
        pq"$x @ _"  
      }  
    ...  
  }
```

Pattern matching: unquoting

```
scala> val j"$a $b" = j"1 2"  
a: joy.Joy = 1  
b: joy.Joy = 2
```

Pattern matching: splicing

```
scala> val j"$a ..$b" = j"1 2 3"  
a: joy.Joy = 1  
b: List[joy.Joy] = List(2, 3)
```

```
scala> val j"..$a $b" = j"1 2 3"  
a: List[joy.Joy] = List(1, 2)  
b: joy.Joy = 3
```

Pattern matching: (un)lifting

```
scala> val two = 2
```

```
scala> val sum = j"$two $two +"
```

```
scala> val j"${a: Int} ${b: Int} +" = sum
```

```
a: Int = 1
```

```
b: Int = 2
```

Pattern matching: (un)lifting

```
trait Joy
object Joy {
  ...

  // typeclass-based extraction out of Joy tree
  trait Unlift[T] { def apply(joy: Joy): Option[T] }
  object Unlift { ... }
}
```

Pattern matching: (un)lifting

```
class JoyQuoteImpl(val c: Context) {
  ...
  case TermName("unapply") =>
    val x = TermName(s"x$i")
    val subpattern = c.internal.subpatterns(args.head).get.apply(i)
    subpattern match {
      case pq"$_: $tpt" =>
        val tpe = c.typecheck(tpt, c.TYPEmode).tpe
        val UnliftT = appliedType(typeOf[Joy.Unlift[_]], tpe)
        val unlift = c.inferImplicitValue(UnliftT, silent = true)
        if (unlift.nonEmpty) pq"$unlift($x @ _)"
        else c.abort(...)
      case _ => pq"$x @ _"
    }
  ...
}
```

Pattern matching: (un)lifting

```
scala> val two = 2  
two: Int = 2
```

```
scala> val sum = j"$two $two +"  
sum: joy.Joy.Program = 2 2 +
```

```
scala> val j"${a: Int} ${b: Int} +" = sum  
a: Int = 2  
b: Int = 2
```


Pattern matching: fast forward to splicing + unlifting

with a bit more love one can get this working too:

```
scala> val j"..${xs: List[Int]} + +" = j"1 2 3 + +"  
xs: List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3)
```

Status

j""" quotation:

1. works both as patterns and as expressions
2. supports both \$regular unquoting and ..\$splicing
3. supports customisable interop via Lift and Unlift

and all permutations (2^3) of these features

Eval

```
type Stack      = Joy.Quoted
type Transform = Stack => Stack

val lookup: Map[String, Transform] = Map(...)

implicit class Eval(joy: Joy) {
  def eval: Transform = joy match {
    case Joy.Name(name) =>
      lookup(name)

    case Joy.Program(ops) =>
      stack => ops.map(_.eval)
                .reduce((a, b) => b compose a)
                .apply(stack)

    case _ =>
      stack => j"[..$stack $joy]"
  }
}
```

Eval

```
val lookup: Map[String, Transform] = Map(
  ...
  "dup"    -> { case j"[..$init $x    ]" => j"[..$init $x $x    ]" },
  "swap"   -> { case j"[..$init $a $b]"  => j"[..$init $b $a    ]" },
  "="      -> { case j"[..$init $a $b]"  => j"[..$init ${a == b}]" },
  "!="     -> { case j"[..$init $a $b]"  => j"[..$init ${a != b}]" },
  ...
  "not"    -> { case j"[..$init ${b: Boolean}]" => j"[..$init ${!b}]" },
  ...
)
```

other default operations:

and, or, >, >=, <, <=, +, -, *, rem, i,
concat, size, first, rest, size, dip,
map, filter, ifte, primrec, ...

Demo

Summary

1. Embedded languages via quotations are awesome
2. Feature interactions are hard,
make sure you get it right from the first time
3. Macros aren't easy but this is changing
(come to @xeno_by's talk to see it happen)

Q/A?