Tour Of Scala

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Overview

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Section 1

Simple Build Tool

SBT

- ► Scala-based configuration
- ► Continuous compilation and testing
- ► Dependency management
- ► Extendable via plugins
- ► Package & publish jars
- Generate documentation

A HelloWorld Configuration File

Contents of build.sbt:

```
name := "hello"
version := "1.0"
scalaVersion := "2.10.3"
```

Scala-based configuration

Contents of project/Build.scala:

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The %% adds the scala version to the artifact, ie

becomes:

```
"org.scalatest" % "scalatest_2.10.3" % "1.9.2" % "test")
```

Some dependencies are compiled for different versions of Scala, this is a convenience for picking the version that matches your project.

Different versions of Scala can be binary incompatible (but maintain source compatibility). SBT can help you publish your library against multiple versions of Scala.

Managed Dependencies

Adding repositories

SBT uses the standard Maven2 Repository by default. If your dependency is not available there, then you can add further repositories:

Directory Structure

Sources

Follows Mayen's:

Directory Structure

Build Defintion(s)

build.sbt
project/
Build.scala

Artificats

target/

- ▶ REPL-like console
- execute tasks
 - compile
 - ▶ run
 - ▶ test
- ▶ drop into the Scala REPL
 - console

Compile

SBT will only compile source files that have changed since the previous compilation, and those sources which depend on them.

Reduces compilation time.

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Scala REPL

- ▶ Drop into the Scala console with the console task
- Or, if your project isn't compiling, drop into the Scala console with console-quick.

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Splitting projects can be useful, let's give our hello world application a REST API and a command line interface.

- core project, defining models, business logic etc. Acts as a library.
- api project, defining the REST API, which depends on core.
- cli project which also depend on core.
- ► root umbrealla project

1. Create a root project which aggregates everything together:

2. Create a core project which defines its own dependencies:

```
lazy val core = Project(
  id = "hello-core",
  base = file("core"),
  settings = globalSettings ++ Seq(
    libraryDependencies ++= Seq(
       "joda-time" % "joda-time" % "2.2",
       "org.joda" % "joda-convert" % "1.3.1")
))
```

3. The cli project has no extra dependencies other than core:

```
lazy val cli = Project(
  id = "hello-cli",
  base = file("cli")) dependsOn(core)
```

4. The api project requires some extra libraries:

Using sub-projects

- Each sub-project will be packaged into its own JAR.
- ▶ In the SBT console, you can work in the context of a single sub-project or the root umbrella project.

Section 2

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case class UserId(value: Long) extends AnyVal
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case class PlaintextPassword(value: String) extends AnyVal
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    dao.insert(username, hashed)
  def authenticate(username: String, plaintext: PlaintextPassword) = {
   for {
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      if passwordsMatch(plaintext, user.password)
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val userDao: UserDAO = new PostgresUserDAO( ... )
val userService: UserService = new PersistantUserService(userDAO)
```

Extrapolate this across a larger code-base, and we have a reason to use Spring.

Right?

Enter The Cake Pattern...

Traditional dependency injection frameworks will, at runtime, populate your instance's dependencies based upon the configuration found in an XML file.

What could possibly go wrong?!

Using the Cake Pattern is one way ensure that your dependencies are fulfilled at compile time, and does not require any extra dependencies or injection framework.

It can however appear a little warped...

Step 1

Add a layer of indirection...

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- ▶ The UserServiceModule defines what a UserService is,
- ▶ ... and **how** we can get one.

Step 2

Repeat the same for our UserDAOModule...

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Step 3

Define a concrete implmentation of our UserDAOModule which uses a database backend.

Cake Pattern Step 3

```
trait PostgresUserDAOModule extends UserDAOModule {
 val connectionPool: ConnectionPool
 val userDAO = new Impl()
 class Impl extends UserDAO {
   // Concrete implementations...
   def insert(username: String,
               password: HashedPassword) = ???
   def byUsername(username: String) = ???
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- The module itself is still abstract, so we can defer things we don't know about, in this case, the connectionPool. (Although, you'd consider creating a ConnectionPoolModule or similar in this case).

Step 4

Define a concrete implementation of our UserServiceModule which delegates to a UserDAO.

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trait PersistedUserServiceModule extends UserServiceModule {
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- ▶ It's what allows us to use userDAO in the Impl class.

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Sometime inheritance is used instead, ie:

```
trait PersistedUserServiceModule extends UserServiceModule with UserDAOModule {  /\!/ \ rest \ of \ trait \ \dots } \}
```

But self-types:

- Separate role from dependencies.
- Allow for circular references.

```
trait A { this: B => }
trait B { this: A => } // compiles

trait A extends B
trait B extends A // won't compile
```

Step 5

Pulling it all together at the end of the world. . . (baking the cake)

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Neither will this:

```
object Modules extends PersistedUserServiceModule {
  val connectionPool: ConnectionPool = ???
}
```

Loosely coupled

- ► There's nothing that says a PersistantUserService must use a particular UserDAO implementation.
- ▶ There's nothing that says a UserService must use a UserDAO at all.

Testable

We can wire up a mock UserDAO to a PersistedServiceModule:

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Cross-joins are created when flatMap-ing across multiple tables/queries:

```
for {
  user1 <- Query(Users)
  user2 <- Query(Users)
  if user1.username.toLowerCase === user2.user.toLowerCase
} yield (user1.id, user2.id)</pre>
```

Also, note the triple = equality. This is required for checking for equality. Other operators (>, >=) work as you'd expect.

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- 2. In order for Slick to be able to generate the SQL code specific to your database engine, it needs to load it's own drivers for a particular database.

Once you have a Query and a Session, then you can execute the Query, and access the data in a number of ways:

```
val q = nameLike(Query(Users), "frank")
val qPairs = q.map { user => (user.id, user) }

db.withSession {
    // Reading a complete result set into various collections
    val franks: List[User] = q.list
    val franks2: List[User] = q.to[List]
    val frankSet: Set[User] = q.to[Set]
    val frankMap: Map[UserId, User] = qPairs.toMap
    val frank: User = q.first
    val frankO: Option[User] = q.firstOption
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```

You can also consume the resultset lazily:

```
db.withSession {
    // Folding over the result
    q.foldLeft(""){_ + _.name}: String

    // Perform side-effect for row
    q.foreach(println)

    // Manually iterating over the result
    val iter: CloseableIterator[User] = q.elements
    try {
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- ► The Query (theOnlyFrank) must return raw columns selected from a single table.
- There is (currently) no way to transform the existing data, ie the update method expects a single scalar value.

Deleting

And as you'd expect, deleting data works too:

```
val theOnlyFrank = Query(Users).filter(_.username === "frank")
db.withSession { implicit s: Session =>
   theOnlyFrank.delete
}
```

Inserting

We'll come to this shortly after we've looked at defining table definitions.

Table Definitions

Tables are declared in Scala, and can optionally be mapped to domain objects.

```
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- 2. We're reading (Long, String, String)s from the table, not Users.
- 3. The table definition is tied to the Slick H2 driver

Improve first definition by storing UserIds and HashedPasswords:

```
implicit def userIdTypeMapper = MappedTypeMapper.base[UserId, Long] (
   userId => userId.value,
   long => UserId(long)
)

implicit def hashedPasswordTypeMapper = {
   MappedTypeMapper.base[HashedPassword, String] (
   _.value,
   HashedPassword.apply)
}
```

These implicit definitions can then be picked up and used to improve the table definition:

Secondly, in this situation it'd be more convenient to map the row content to an actual User instance. We can do this by mapping the default projection, *, using the User's companion object's apply and unapply methods:

Table Definitions

Thirdly, we can arrange for the table definition to be independant of database driver, using the cake pattern:

```
import scala.slick.driver.ExtendedProfile
trait DatabaseModule {
  val slickProfile: ExtendedProfile
  import slickProfile.simple._
  val database: Database
}
```

Slick's ExtendedProfile type provides simple: SimpleQL which in-turn provides us with the ability to define a Table[R], and the type Database.

The basic idea is that this module can be declared as a dependency in another module which describes the user table.

And concrete implementations of the DatabaseModule can be created for the different database you wish to use.

```
trait SlickUserTableModule {
  this: DatabaseModule => // dependency
  // The Slick database driver is required to define the UsersTable
  import slickProfile.simple._
  val Users = new UsersTable()
  trait UserTypeMappers { /** ellided **/ }
  class UsersTable extends Table[User]("users")
                     with UserTypeMappers {
                = column[UserId]("id", O.PrimaryKey, O.AutoInc)
    def id
    def username = column[String]("username")
    def password = column[HashedPassword]("password")
    def * = id ~ username ~ password <> (User, User.unapply _)
    def usernameIdx = index("idx_users_username", username, unique = true
```

Finally, concrete implementations of the database module can be written:

```
trait PostgresDatabaseModule extends DatabaseModule {
  import scala.slick.driver.PostgresDriver.simple._
  lazy val slickProfile = scala.slick.driver.PostgresDriver
  lazy val config = ConfigFactory.load()
  lazy val database = Database.forURL(
    config.getString("database.url"),
    driver = config.getString("database.driver"),
    user = config.getString("database.user"),
    password = config.getString("database.password"))
}
```

```
trait InMemoryDatabaseModule extends DatabaseModule {
  import scala.slick.driver.H2Driver
  lazy val slickProfile = H2Driver
  import slickProfile.simple._

lazy val database = Database.forURL(
    s"jdbc:h2:mem:bidding-${randomDBName};DB_CLOSE_DELAY=-1",
    driver = "org.h2.Driver"
)

protected def randomDBName = { /** ellided **/ }
}
```

Implementing UserService

Re-visit the DataService to provide an implementation backed by a Slick table.

Note that we're not going to define the UserDAO, but the UserService itself.

Slick's Querys lend themselves to being re-used directly, so rather than composing together a UserDAOs functions, we can compose Querys together and run them all within the same Session or even Transaction.

Slick UserService

Defining the module. . .

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Defining the Impl:
```

```
class Impl extends UserService {
 import slickProfile.simple._
 def create(username: String,
             plaintextPassword: PlaintextPassword) = { /** ellided */ }
 def authenticate (username: String,
                   plaintextPassword: PlaintextPassword) = {
   val byName = Query(Users).filter(_.username === username)
   database.withSession { implicit s: Session =>
     for {
        user <- byName.firstOption
        matches = checkPassword(plaintextPassword, user.password)
        if matches
      } vield user
```

Inserting Rows

So far I've been skipping over this

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Users.forInsert returning Users.id insert(username, hashedPassword)

```
class Impl extends UserService {
 def create(username: String,
            plaintextPassword: PlaintextPassword) = {
   try {
     database.withSession { implicit s: Session =>
        val hashedPassword = hashPassword(plaintextPassword)
        val userId =
          Users.forInsert returning Users.id insert (username,
                                                     hashedPassword)
        Success(User(userId, username, hashedPassword))
    } catch {
     // Should really check the SQL error code
      case e: SQLException => Failure(UniqueConstraintException)
      case e: Exception => Failure(e)
```

Section 4

Spray

Spray: Providing a REST API

Spray is an open-source toolkit for building REST/HTTP-based integration layers on top of Scala and Akka. Being asynchronous, actor-based, fast, lightweight, modular and testable it's a great way to connect your Scala applications to the world.

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Routing

Spray-can provides an actor-level interface which allows your application to respond to incoming HttpRequests by replying with a HttpResponse instance:

```
import spray.http._
import HttpMethods._

class MyHttpService extends Actor {
  def receive = {
    case HttpRequest(GET, Uri.Path("/ping"), _, _, _) =>
        sender ! HttpResponse(entity = "PONG")
  }
}
```

Routing

Alternatively, spray-routing provides a DSL for describing the structure of the REST API using composable elements called Directives. The above example would be written as:

```
import spray.routing._
class MyHttpService extends HttpServiceActor {
  def receive = runRoute {
    path("ping") {
       get {
         complete("PONG")
       }
    }
}
```

The runRoute function constructs a partial function from the structure you've described in the DSL and applies that to each HttpRequest.

Routing

The routing DSL is made available through the HttpService trait, which has one abstract member:

def actorRefFactory: ActorRefFactory

In the previous example we mixed in HttpServiceActor which already defines the Akka actor context required.

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Note that the return type is Unit, not HttpResponse!

Instead, a RequestContext is completed:

```
ctx.complete(httpResponse)
```

Which the ctx then sends asyncronously to an Akka actor which takes care of writing the response to the socket. This allows for chunked responses that are only available incrementally.

Routing

So, since a Route is just an ordinary function, it's simplest form looks like this:

```
ctx => ctx.complete("Response")
```

Alternatively:

```
_.complete("Response")
```

Or using the complete directive:

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Or ignored:

```
ctx => { /** neither completed nor rejected */ }
```

This is generally an error. If a RequestContext is not acted upon (rejected or completed) then the request will eventually time out, and the user will be presented with a 500 Internal Server Error response.

Routing

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Routing

The routing DSL essentially describes a tree:

```
val route =
    ... // route 1
     ... // route 2
   ... // route 3
   ... // route 4
```

A request is injected into the root of this tree, and flows down through it depth-first until some leaf of the tree completes it, *or* it is fully rejected.

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Routing

Back to our first example:

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Routing

Directives are the building blocks of the routing tree. They do at least one of the following:

- Filter the RequestContext according to some logic, i.e. only pass on certain requests and reject all others.
- Extract values from the RequestContext and make them available to its inner Route as "extractions".
- 3. Complete the request.
- 4. Transform the incoming RequestContext before passing it on to its inner Route.

Routing

Filtering directives:

```
path("users") {
   get {
      ...
   } ~
   post {
      ...
   }
}
```

path, get and post are all examples of filter directives.

Routing

Exracting values:

```
path("users" / LongNumber) { id =>
  get {
    ...
  }
}
```

path("users" / LongNumber) extracts a Long from the URL and provides it as the value id in the inner route.

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Simmilarly, the HttpResponse can be altered as it filters back up the matched path. Eg.

```
path("users" / LongNumber) { id =>
  respondWithHeader(httpHeader) {
    get {
        ...
    }
  }
}
```

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We now have the building blocks to describe the API structure for our UserService.

```
import spray.routing._
trait UserRoutes extends HttpService {
  this: UserServiceModule =>
  val userRoutes = pathPrefix("users") {
    path("") {
      post {
        userService.create(???, ???)
        ???
    path(PathElement) { username =>
      get {
        userService.find(username)
        ???
```

Routing

And also, how we might use the UserService to authenticate users when accessing a protected resource:

```
import spray.routing._
trait PrivateRoutes extends HttpService {
 this: UserServiceModule =>
 /** Required for the UserServiceAuthenticator **/
 import scala.concurrent.{Future, ExecutionContext}
 implicit def executionContext: ExecutionContext = actorRefFactory.dispatc
 import spray.routing.authentication._
 val privateRoutes = path("protected") {
   authenticate(BasicAuth(userAthenticator, "realm name")) { user =>
     complete("Secret!")
 private val userAuthenticator = new UserServiceAuthenticator()
 private class UserServiceAuthenticator
         extends UserPassAuthenticator[User] { /** ellided */ }
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```

Routing

Pulling these two route definitions together and serving them using spray-can:

```
object Boot extends App {
    // we need an ActorSystem to host our application in
    implicit val system = ActorSystem("on-spray-can")

    // create and start our service actor
    val service = system.actorOf(Props[ServiceActor], "hello-service")

    // start a new HTTP server on port 8080 with our service actor as the hand
    IO(Http) ! Http.Bind(service, "localhost", port = 8080)
}
```

Routing

```
class ServiceActor extends Actor
                      with PrivateRoutes
                      with UserRoutes
                      with SlickUserServiceModule
                      with SlickUserTableModule
                      with InMemoryDatabaseModule {
 // the HttpService trait defines only one abstract member, which
 // connects the services environment to the enclosing actor or test
 def actorRefFactory = context
 // this actor only runs our route, but you could add
 // other things here, like request stream processing,
 // timeout handling or alternative handler registration
 def receive = runRoute(allRoutes)
 lazy val allRoutes = userRoutes ~ privateRoutes
```

Marshalling and Unmarshalling

Conversion of Scala objects to/from Array[Byte] for transmission.

▶ Just going to cover very basic marshalling to/from JSON.

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Again, the type the apply function is perhaps not expected. The Spray documentation cites 3 reasons for this:

- Marshalling must support content negotiation. The claim is that this is easier if the Marshaller drives the process.
- Using the side-effectful style, the Marshaller can delay their action and complete the marshalling from another thread (for example, if the result of a Future arrives).
- 3. Marshallers can produce content in chunks.

Marshalling

The marshalling in Spray uses type-classes. That is, to marshall a type T, the compiler must be able to find a Marshaller[T] in implicit scope.

Marshalling

There are a whole host of default marshallers available in the Marshaller companion object.

```
Array[Byte]
Array[Char]
String
NodeSeq
Throwable
spray.http.FormData
spray.http.HttpEntity

Option[T]
Either[A, B]
Try[T]
Future[T]
Stream[T]
```

(Details of the Scala implicit scope resolution mean that because they are defined on the Marshaller companion object, they are always available, but are still overridable by bringing your own Marshallers into *local* scope).

JSON Marshalling

Spray has it's own JSON library, spray-json. And also Marshallers for each of the JSON types defined in that library.

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spray-json's JSON support is also via type-classes.

Converting an instance of type T to a spray-json JsValue is achieved using a JsonWriter[T] or a RootJsonWriter[T]:

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trait JsonWriter[T] {
  def write(obj: T): JsValue
}
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```

▶ RootJsonWriter is capable of writing a JSON array or a JSON object.

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  def write(js: JsValue): T
}
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Finally, JsonFormat[T] combines the two reader and writer traits:

trait JsonFormat[T] extends JsonReader[T] with JsonWriter[T]

JSON Marshalling

To convert our Scala classes to/from JSON we must create an instance of the above ${\tt JsonFormat[T]}$.

In the case of case classes, this is very simple:

```
trait JSONFormats {
  implicit val userIdFormat = jsonFormat1(UserId)
  implicit val userWriter = new RootJsonWriter[User] {
    def write(user: User) = JsObject(
        "username" -> user.name.toJson,
        "id" -> user.id.toJson)
  }
}
```

- jsonFormatN can be used to construct a JsonFormat[T] when T is a case class.
 - There is a variant which accepts alternate field names.
- ► We haven't constructed a full JsonFormat[User] because we cannot construct the HashedPassword. But we have provided the read-side.

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Returning to the route service:

```
import spray.httpx.SprayJsonSupport
trait UserRoutes extends HttpService
                    with JSONFormats
                    with SprayJsonSupport {
  this: UserServiceModule =>
  val userRoutes = pathPrefix("users") {
    path("") {
      post {
        userService.create(???, ???)
        ???
    path(PathElement) { username =>
      get {
        rejectEmptyResponse {
          complete(userService.find(username))
```

JSON Marshalling

By defining a helper case class:

```
case class UserCreateData(username: String, password: String)
```

We can use the same methods to complete the user creation endpoint.

Json Marshalling

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val userRoutes = pathPrefix("users") {
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    post {
      entity(as[UserCreateData]) { data =>
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          userService.create(data.username,
                             PlaintextPassword(data.password))
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Section 5

Play

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Setting up the sub-project.

Cast your minds back to the SBT sub-projects, let's add a web-frontend sub-project. project/Build.scala:

Setting up the sub-project

```
project/play.sbt:
```

```
resolvers += "Typesafe repository" at "http://repo.typesafe.com/typesafe/re
addSbtPlugin("com.typesafe.play" % "sbt-plugin" % "2.2.0")
```

Note if your Play project is standalone and doesn't need this sort of modularization, then the website has details on how to setup Play projects using the Play installer.

File layout

```
app
                         - Application sources
                         - Compiled asset sources
 - assets
                         - Typically LESS CSS sources

    stylesheets

                         - Typically CoffeeScript sources
    - javascripts
 - controllers
                         - Application controllers
 - models
                         - Application business layer
 - views
                         - Templates
conf
                         - Configurations files and other non-compiled resource
 - application.conf
                         - Main configuration file
                         - Routes definition
 - routes
public
                         - Public assets
 - stylesheets
                         - CSS files
 - javascripts
                         - Javascript files
 - images
                         - Image files
logs
                         - Standard logs folder
                         - Default log file
 - application.log
                          - Generated stuff
target
 - scala-2.10.0
    - cache
    - classes
                         - Compiled class files
    - classes_managed
                         - Managed class files (templates, ...)
                         - Managed resources (less, ...)
    resource_managed
                         - Generated sources (templates, ...)
    - src_managed
                         - source folder for unit or functional tosts
+00+
```

Dive straight in...

That's right, we're gonna hook up our trusty UserService!

Controllers

Controllers define functions which return Actions.

An Action is a function from request to response:

```
'play.api.mvc.Request => play.api.mvc.Result'
```

For example:

```
package controllers
import play.api.mvc._
object UserController extends Controller {
  def detail(name: String) = Action {
    Ok(s"Got the name: ${name}")
  }
  def create = TODO
  def submit = TODO
}
```

Controllers

- ► There is a mechanism for dependency injection of controllers, but it involves runtime matching of the DI'd class.
- ▶ AFAIK DI using the cake pattern isn't solved properly for Play yet.

Controllers

```
def detail(name: String) = Action {
  userService.find(name).map { user =>
    Ok(views.html.userDetails(user))
  }.getOrElse { NotFound("User not found") }
}
```

Routing

To hook up an Action to a URL path, you add it to conf/routes:

GET /users/:name controllers.UserController.detail(name)

It uses it's own DSL, and uses the routes table to compute reverse routing functions, which given a Controller's Action method return the URL for that Action.

Templates

Play has its own template engine, and templates are text files which contain small blocks of Scala code.

Templates are compiled down to functions, using the filename as the function name. The following file, app/views/layout.scala.html will be compiled down to the function views.html.layout.

The resulting function, in this case has a curried form, with the parameter list specified on the first line:

Templates

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This particular template (function) is called by other templates to render their content within the site's standard layout. eg.

```
@(user: User)
@layout("User Details") {
   <h1>@user.name</h1>
   @user.id.value
}
```

Templates

The @ character is used to indicate the beginning of a dynamic expression.

There is no end-block character, so only simple statements are possible. Multi-token statements are possible by marking the beginning and end with parentheses or curly brackets, eg:

```
@(user.name + " " + user.name)
```

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    @defining(user.firstName + " " + user.lastName) { fullName =>
      <div>Hello @fullName</div>
```

Finally, you can import other functions into scope:

```
@import utils._
```

Forms

Play's support for defining and using forms is pretty good. The best way I've found to use them is:

- 1. Declare case classes for the data your trying to capture in the form.
- 2. Define the form to construct those classes when bound to data from the client.
- 3. Transform the form data into the models for your backend.

Forms

▶ Note that more elaborate validation checks are possible by defining your own validation functions at either the field-level, or the form-level.

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```
def submit = Action { implicit request =>
  userCreationForm.bindFromRequest.fold(
    formErrors => BadRequest(views.html.userCreation(formErrors)),
    userData => {
      val username = userData.username
      val password = PlaintextPassword(userData.password)
      userService
        .create(username, password)
        .map(creationRedirect)
        .recover {
          case UniqueConstraintException => duplicateUserError(userData)
          case e
            InternalServerError("Something went wrong...")
        .get
```

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private def creationRedirect(user: User) = {
   Redirect(routes.UserController.detail(user.name)).flashing {
    "success" -> s"Created new user: ${user.name}"
   }
}
```

- This demonstrates redirection (again, using reverse routing).
- And the helper .flashing function which adds a user message to the session for the next request only.

Forms

Finally, a default rendering of the Form is easy to achieve:

```
@(form: Form[controllers.UserCreation])
@layout("Create User") {
    @helper.form(action = controllers.routes.UserController.submit) {
        @helper.inputText(form("name"))
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Console

Play has a very useful feature for writing web applications, which is you run the Play sub-project, it will start a server with auto-loading enabled. Which means any change to source files will trigger a re-compilation before the response is returned to the browser.

Section 6

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import akka.actor.Props
import akka.event.Logging

class MyActor extends Actor {
  val log = Logging(context.system, this)
  def receive = {
    case "test" => log.info("received test")
    case _ => log.info("received unknown message")
  }
}
```

receive has type PartialFunction[Any, Unit].

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To create a MyActor we first need an ActorSystem. This is a hierarchical group of Actors with common configuration.

```
import akka.actor.ActorSystem
val system = ActorSystem("name-for-my-actor-system")
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Simple Actor

In the previous example, the parent will be notified if the child fails (ie throws an Exception).

When a child actor detects a failure, it:

- 1. Suspends itself and all it's descendants.
- 2. Sends a message to its parent.

The parent then has a choice of options:

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- 4. Escalate the failure, thereby failing itself

Simple Actor

Note - Akka talks in terms of "supervisors" and "sub-ordinates", so I'll stick to that now. . .

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When a failed Actor is restarted, a *new* instance of the Actor is instantiated. And the reference from the *original* ActorRef to the original Actor is replace with a reference to the *new* Actor.

So holders of the ActorRef will not notice a difference.

Simple Actor

There are hooks at the various stages of restart for cleaning up/setting up state etc:

```
oldInstance.preRestart()
newInstance.postRestart()
```

Simple Actor

In addition to the supervision above, an Actor may monitor any other Actor and be notified of it's Termination. (ie - not restarts).

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The Auction's states:

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And it's internal state:

```
case class Ledger(reserve: Double, offers: Map[ActorRef, Bid])
```

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```
when(Draft) {
  case Event(OpenBidding, ledger) =>
   if (sender == auctioneer) {
     goto(AcceptingOffers) using ledger forMax(10.seconds)
  } else {
     stay
   }
}
```

```
when(AcceptingOffers) {
  case Event(b: Bid, ledger) =>
    val newLedger = ledger.copy(
      offers = ledger.offers + (sender -> b))
    stay using newLedger forMax(10.seconds)
  case Event(CloseBidding, ledger) =>
    if (sender == auctioneer) {
      stop
    } else {
      stay
  case Event(StateTimeout, ledger) =>
    log.warning("Timed out")
    stop
```

```
whenUnhandled {
  case Event(e,s) =>
    log.warning("received unhandled message {} in state {}/{}",
                  e, stateName, s)
    stay
onTermination {
  case StopEvent(FSM.Normal, _, ledger) => {
    winner(ledger) match {
      case None
                   => notifyLoss(ledger.offers.keys.toSeq, product)
      case Some(w) =>
        notifyLoss(ledger.offers.keys.filter(_ != w).toSeq, product)
        notifyWin(w, product)
```

FSM Actor

sealed trait AuctioneerCommand case class CreateAuction(product: Any, reserve: Double) extends AuctioneerCome case class BidOn(product: Any, amount: Double) extends AuctioneerCommand case object AuctionClosed extends AuctioneerCommand

```
class Auctioneer extends Actor {
  private var auctions: Map[Any, ActorRef] = Map.empty
  def receive = {
    case CreateAuction(product, reserve) =>
      val auction = context.actorOf(Props(new Auction(product, reserve, sel
      auctions += (product -> auction)
      auction ! FSM.SubscribeTransitionCallBack(self)
      auction ! OpenBidding
    case AuctionClosed =>
      auctions = auctions.filterNot { case (p, a) => a == sender }
    case BidOn(product, amount) =>
      auctions.get(product) match {
        case Some(auction) => auction forward Bid(amount)
                           => {}
        case _
```

```
auctioneer ! CreateAuction("car", 100.0)
auctioneer ! BidOn("BidOn("car", 150.0)
auctioneer ! BidOn("BidOn("car", 180.0)
```