

Kotlin syntax

(Sintaxe da Linguagem Kotlin)

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What is Kotlin used for?

- Mobile applications (especially **Android** apps)
- Web development
- Server-side applications
- · Data science
- etc., etc.





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Why Use Kotlin?

- Kotlin is fully compatible with Java
- Kotlin works on different platforms (Windows, Mac, Linux, Raspberry Pi, etc.)
- Kotlin is concise and safe
- Kotlin is easy to learn, especially if you already know Java
- · Kotlin is free to use
- Big community/support





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The Kotlin Programming Language

- Developed by JetBrains in 2011, but released only in 2016
- In 2017 Google allows the development of mobile applications in Kotlin. And, in 2019 it becomes the default language, replacing Java.
- It is a multiplatform language, it compiles to Java Byte Code, and at least needs a Java Virtual Machine to run the compiled programs.





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The Kotlin Programming Language

- · Allows programming according
 - the procedural paradigm
 - the object-oriented programming paradigm
- As said, it allows interoperability with Java
- Those who already know how to program in Java quickly learn Kotlin





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Variables and Constants

- var is reserved for defining a variable
- val is a reserved word to define a constant
- You don't need to specify the type of variable (or return function) unless it is not initialized





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Variables and Constants

```
var variableName = value
val variableName = value

var name = "John"
val birthyear = 1975

var name: String = "John"
val birthyear: Int = 1975

var name: String
val birthyear: Int
```





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Variable Names

The general rule for Kotlin variables are:

- Names can contain letters, digits, underscores, and dollar signs
- · Names should start with a letter
- Names can also begin with \$ and _
- Names are case sensitive (myVar and myvar are different variables)
- Names should start with a lowercase letter and cannot contain whitespace. Use the camelCase notation.
- Reserved words (like Kotlin keywords, such as var or String)
 cannot be used as names





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Data types

Numbers:

- Byte: -128 to 127

- **Short**: -32,768 to 32,767

- **Int**: -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647

- Long: -9,223,372,036,854,775,807 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807

- Float: precision to 6 decimal places

- **Double**: precision to 15 decimal places





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Data types

- Logic:
 - Boolean: true or false
- Text:
 - Char: a single character
 - **String**: a chain of characters





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Arithmetic Operators

Operator	Name	Example
+	addition	x + y
_	subtraction	x - y
*	multiplication	x * y
/	division	x / y
%	rest of division	x % y
++	increment	++x
	decrement	x



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Arithmetic and Assignment Operators

Operator	Example	The same as
=	x = 5	x = 5
+=	x += 3	x = x + 3
-=	x -= 3	x = x - 3
*=	x *= 3	x = x * 3
/=	x /= 3	x = x / 3
%=	x %= 3	x = x % 3





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Comparison Operators

Operator	Name	Example
==	equal	x == y
!=	not equal	x != y
>	bigger than	x > y
<	less than	x < y
>=	greater than or equal to	x >= y
<=	less than or equal to	x <= y





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Logical Operators

Operator	Name
&&	logical AND
П	logical OR
!	negation





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Strings

- String characters can be accessed with the [] operator, like if they are an array
- length property displays the length of the string
- A string is treated like an object, so it has several methods to expose its data or behavior





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Strings

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Strings

• Relational operators <u>cannot</u> be used to compare strings and other objects .

You must use the compareTo() method

```
var txt1 = "Hello World"
var txt2 = "Hello World"
println(txt1.compareTo(txt2))
```





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Strings

· Kotlin allow us to reference variables in a string

```
var firstName = "John"
var lastName = "Doe"
println ("My name is " + firstName + " " + lastName)
println ("My name is $firstName $lastName")
```

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Selection statements

```
• if, if + else, if + else + if
```

```
if (20 > 18) {
    println("20 é maior do que 18")
}

val time = 21
if (time < 20) {
    println("Bom dia.")
} else {
    println("Boa noite.")
} else {
    println("Boa noite.")
}

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val time = 22
if (time < 12) {
    println("Bom dia.")
} else if (time < 20) {
    println("Boa tarde.")
} else {
    println("Boa noite.")
}

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```

Selection statements

 when , is a structure similar to switch, but more flexible

```
when (x) {
    2 -> println("This is 2")
    3,4,5,6,7,8 -> println("This is 3,4,5,6,7 or 8")
    in 9..15 -> println("This is 9,10,11,12,13,14 or 15")
    in 20..24 -> {
        println("This is 20")
        println("or is 21")
        println("or is 22")
        println("or is 23")
        println("or is 24")
}
else -> println("invalid number")
}
```

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Selection statements in expressions

 When you use the IF in an <u>expression</u>, you MUST specify the <u>ELSE</u> clause

```
val time = 10
val greeting = if (time < 20) {
    "Bom Dia."
} else {
    "Boa Tarde."
}
println(greeting)</pre>
```



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Selection statements in expressions

```
val day = 4
val result = when (day) {
    1 -> "Monday"
    2 -> "Tuesday"
    3 -> "Wednesday"
    4 -> "Thursday"
    5 -> "Friday"
    6 -> "Saturday"
    7 -> "Sunday"
    else -> "Invalid day."
}
println(result)
```

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Iteration statements

- We have the while, the do while and the for loop
- The jump statements are available:
 - break: jumps out of the loop
 - continue: move to the beginning of next iteration of the loop

```
var i = 0
while (i < 5) {
    println(i)
    i++
}

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```

Iteration statements

• There is no traditional syntax on for statement

```
for(initialization, exit condition, increment) {
    statements...
}
```

for is mainly used to go through an interval or progression

```
for (chars in 'a'..'x') {
    println(chars)
}

for (nums in 5..15) {
    println(nums)
}

for (nums in 5..15 step 2) {
    println(nums)
}

for (nums in 5..15 step 2) {
    println(nums)
}

for (nums in 5 until 15) {
    println(nums)
}
```

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Arrays

- The creation of arrays has some peculiarities
- Access to each element is done by the operator []
- An array has a size attribute, with the number of array elements
- There are new operators to search arrays in a simple and fast way





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Arrays val cars = arrayOf("Volvo", "BMW", "Ford", "Mazda") println(cars[0]) cars[0] = "Opel" println(cars[0]) println(cars.size) if ("Volvo" in cars) { println("It exists!") } else { println("It does not exist.") }

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Arrays

 Creating an array with a defined size, implies initializing all its elements through a lambda function

```
// fills an array with 10 zeros
val numbers = Array (10, { i -> 0 })

// fills an array with 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
val numbers = Array (10, { i -> i })

// fills an array with 0,2,4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18
val numbers = Array (10, { i -> i*2 })
```

Functions

- fun is the reserved word to define a function
- The function must have a name (and parameters)
- Function code is written inside braces {}
- As you have already seen, the semicolon; at the end of the instructions is optional

```
fun myFunction() {
    println("I just got executed!")
}

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}

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```

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The main function

• First function to be executed

```
fun main() {
    println("Hello World")
}

fun main(args : Array<String>) {
    println("Hello World")
}
```

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Functions

 It is possible to define the default values for parameters

```
fun myFunction(fname: String = "John", age: Int = 35) {
   println(fname + " is " + age)
}
fun main() {
   myFunction("John", 35)
   myFunction("Jane")
   myFunction()
}
```

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Functions

 If a function returns something, you MUST specify what

```
fun myFunction ( x : Int , y : Int ) : Int {
    return ( x + y )
}
fun myFunction2 ( x : Int , y : Int ) : Int = x + y

fun main () {
    var result = myFunction ( 3 , 5 )
    println ( result )
}

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```

• Class attributes are public by default

```
class Car {
   var brand = ""
   var model = ""
   var year = 0
}
```





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Classes

```
fun main () {
// Create a c1 object of the Car class
  val c1 = car ()

  // Access the properties and add some values to it
  c1 . brand = "Ford"
  c1 . model = "Mustang"
  c1 . year = 1969

  println ( c1.brand ) // Output Ford
  println ( c1.model ) // Output Mustang
  println ( c1.year ) // Output 1969
}
```

• In Kotlin, you do not need to define constructors

```
class Car (
   var brand : String ,
   var model : String ,
   var year : Int
)

fun main () {
   val c1 = Car ( "Ford" , "Mustang" , 1969 )
}
```

```
Classes

class Car (
   var brand : String = "BMW",
   var model : String = "series5",
   var year : Int = 2000 )

fun main () {
   val c1 = Car ( "Ford" , "Mustang" , 1969 )
   val c2 = Car ( "Ford" , "Mustang" )
   val c3 = Car ( "Ford" )
   val c4 = car ()
}
```

• This does not mean that you cannot define a *constructor*

```
class Car {
  var brand = "" ; var model = "" ; var year = 0 ;

constructor ( _brand: String, _model: String ) {
     this ( _brand, _model, 2000 )
}

constructor ( _brand: String, _model: String, _ year:int){
  brand = _brand
  model = _model
  year = _year
}
}

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```

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Classes

Methods follow the same syntax as functions.
 When placed inside a class, they automatically access its attributes.

```
class Car ( var brand : String ,
  var model : String , var year : Int ) {
  fun drive () {
    println ( " Wrooom !" )
  }
  fun speed ( maxSpeed : Int ) {
    println ( "Max speed of $model is $maxSpeed km" )
  }
  }
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```

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Classes

- Kotlin defines classes as **final** by default. This means that it is impossible to inherit the class.
- To use inheritance, you must write the reserved word **open** before the *name* of the class.



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