Kotlin & Android

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Who am I?

- Android Developer for 4+ years
- Worked at Accenture, Fabula, Philips
- Now at FullContact
- Experimenting with Kotlin since first beta

Agenda

- 1. View binding
- 2. Power of extensions
- 3. Better listeners
- 4. Faster layouts
- 5. Fluent testing
- 6. Costs & Benefits
- 7. How to start

Assume we have a view

View binding (classic way)

```
RelativeLayout root;
// ...
Button edit;
@Override void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
  // super + setContentView
  root = (RelativeLayout) findViewById(R.id.form root);
  photo = (ImageView) findViewById(R.id.form photo);
  firstName = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.form first name);
  lastName = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.form last name);
  edit = (Button) findViewById(R.id.form edit);
```

View binding (proper way)

```
@BindView(R.id.form root) RelativeLayout root;
@BindView(R.id.form photo) ImageView photo;
@BindView(R.id.form firstName) TextView firstName;
@BindView(R.id.form lastName) TextView lastName;
@BindView(R.id.form edit) Button edit;
@Override void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
   // super + setContentView
  ButterKnife.bind(this);
```

View binding (Kotlin way)

```
import kotlinx.android.synthetic.main.form_layout.*

@Override
fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle) {
    // super + setContentView

form_first_name.text = "John"
    view.form_last_name.text = "Doe"
}
```

Neat extension functions

```
parent.inflate(R.layout.my_layout)
parent.inflate(R.layout.my_layout, true)
```

Neat extension functions

```
fun ImageView.loadUrl(url: String) {
    Picasso.with(context).load(url).into(this)
}
```

```
imageView.loadUrl("http://...")
```

Neat extension functions

```
fun View.setVisible(visible: Boolean) {
    this.visibility = if (visible) View.VISIBLE else View.GONE
}
```

```
imageView.setVisible(true)
imageView.setVisible(false)
```

Listeners & callbacks (old way)

View action listeners:

```
button.setOnClickListener(new OnClickListener() {
    @Override
    void onClick(View view) {
        // do stuff when button clicked
    }
});
```

Listeners & callbacks (newer way)

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button.setOnClickListener(view -> {
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But requires Jack&Jill or Retrolambda

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```
button.setOnClickListener { view ->
    // do stuff when button clicked
}
```

Listeners & callbacks (old way)

Basic callback:

```
interface ActionCallback {
 void onActionDone();
public void doAction(int param, @Nullable ActionCallback cb) {
 // do stuff
  if (cb != null ) {
   cb.onActionDone()
```

Listeners & callbacks (old way)

Basic callback:

```
public void fooBar() {
   doAction(5, new ActionCallback(){
     @Override
     void onActionDone() {
        // do stuff when action is done
     }
   });
}
```

Listeners & callbacks (newer way)

Basic callback:

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public void fooBar() {
   doAction(5, () -> {
        // do stuff when action is done
   });
}
```

But requires Jack&Jill or Retrolambda

Listeners & callbacks (Kotlin way)

Basic callback:

```
fun doActions(param: Int, callback: (() -> Unit)?) {
 // do stuff
 callback?.invoke()
fun fooBar() {
 doAction(5) {
     // do stuff when action is done
 doAction(7, null)
```

Anko

- Lots of extensions
- DSL for layouts
 - Completly code based
 - Allegedly 4x faster than xml

Anko (extensions)

```
startActivity<SomeOtherActivity>("id" to 5)

alert("Hi, I'm Roy", "Have you tried turning it off and on again?"
   yesButton { toast("Oh...") }
   noButton {}
}.show()
```

```
doAsync {
    // Long background task
    uiThread { result.text = "Done" }
}
```

Anko

Anko (dsl)

```
override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
   super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
   verticalLayout {
       padding = dip(30)
       editText { hint = "Name" }
       editText { hint = "Password" }
       button("Edit") {
           textSize = 26f
```

Testing

General frameworks:

- Spek
- KotlinTest
- expekt

Libraries for Android:

- mockito-kotlin
- hamkrest
- Kluent

Testing (Kluent)

```
val subject : String = getInput()
subject shouldEqual "hello"
subject shouldNotEqual "world"
```

```
val mock = mock(Database::class)
mock.getPerson()
Verify on mock that mock.getPerson() was called
```

Costs

- Added file size <1MB
- Slight mess while in transition
- Gradle slower by 0-15%
 - 15% for clean cold build
 - 0% for incremental build on deamon

Benefits

- Up to 30% less code
- Powerful standart library
 - No need for Retrolabda, Guava, ButterKnife etc.
 - Less need for RxJava
- Coding is pure joy

How to start? Easy way

- Install plugin
- Tools > Kotlin > Configure Kotlin in Project
- Code > Convert Java file to Kotlin file

How to start? Proper way

Project build.gradle:

```
buildscript {
  ext.kotlin = "X.Y.Z"
  dependencies {
    classpath
       "org.jetbrains.kotlin:kotlin-gradle-plugin:$kotlin"
    classpath
       "org.jetbrains.kotlin:kotlin-android-extensions:$kotlin"
  }
}
```

How to start? Proper way

Module build.gradle:

```
apply plugin: 'kotlin-android'
apply plugin: 'kotlin-android-extensions'

sourceSets {
    main.java.srcDirs += 'src/main/kotlin'
}

dependancies {
    compile "org.jetbrains.kotlin:kotlin-stdlib:$kotlin"
}
```

Things to read

- Kotlin in Action
- Kotlin for Anroid developers
- Learn Kotlin by developing (medium.com)