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## INTRODUCTION TO KOTLIN

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# Few words about Kotlin

- Programming language
- Targets JVM, Android and Javascript
- Fully interoperable with Java
- Developed by JetBrains
- <https://kotlinlang.org/>

# Timeline

● 2010 Project started



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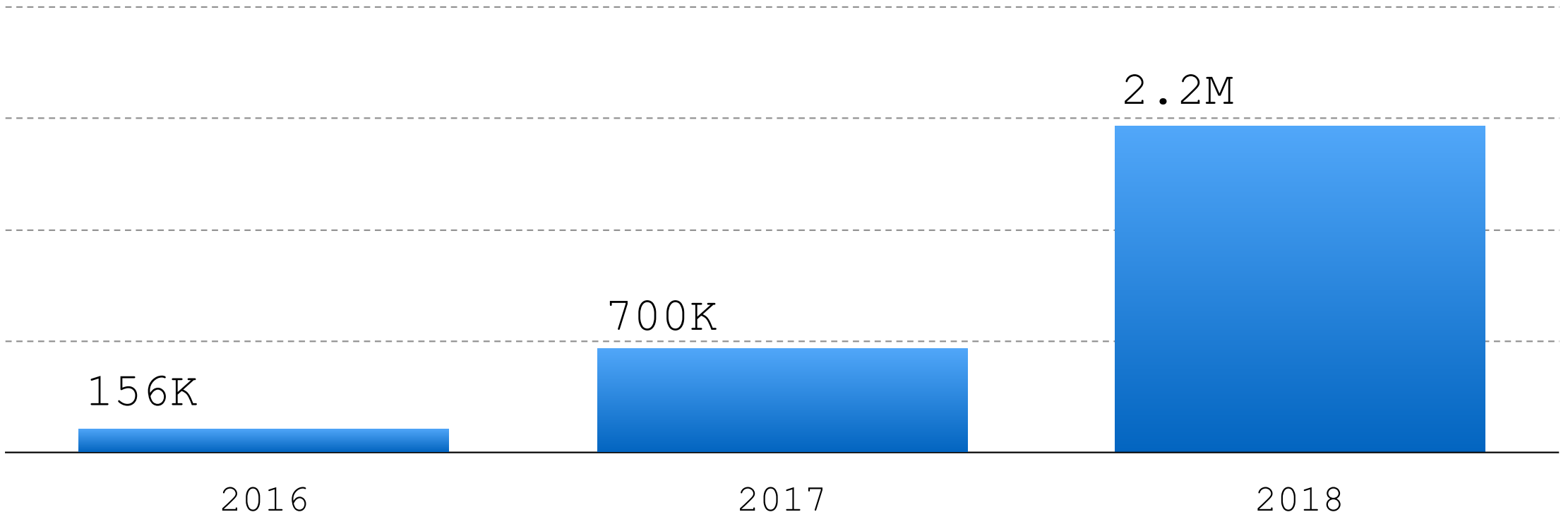
● 2016 Kotlin 1.0

● 2017 Official on Android



● 2018 Kotlin 1.3

# Kotlin developers



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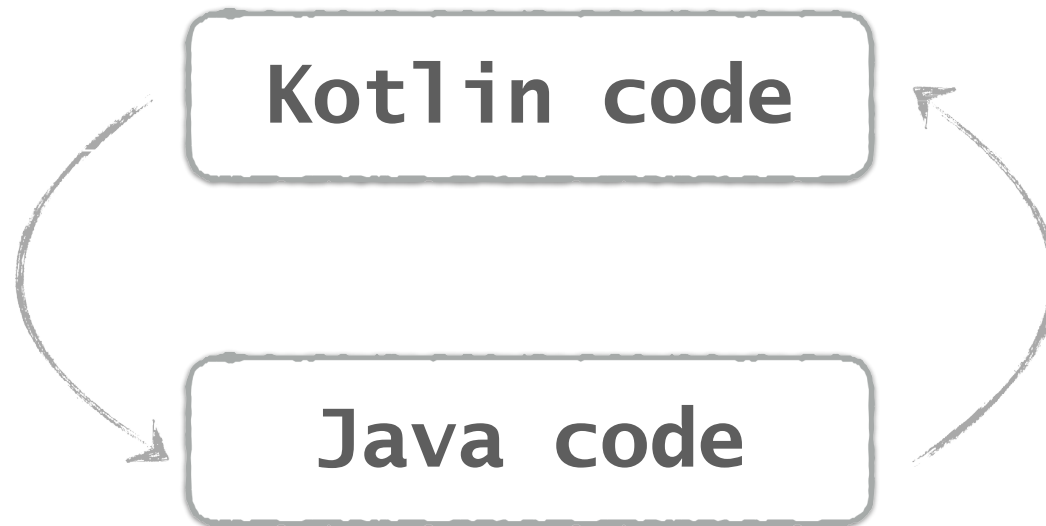
- Android is stuck on Java 6
- Java language restrictions
  - Nullability problems
  - Mutability problems
  - No way to add methods to types that we do not control
  - Too much verbosity

can be easily mixed with Java  
code





You can have Java & Kotlin  
code in one project



has good tooling





concise & readable

```
public class Person {  
    private final String name;  
    private final int age;
```

```
    public Person(String name, int age) {  
        this.name = name;  
        this.age = age;  
    }
```

```
    public String getName() {  
        return name;  
    }
```

```
    public int getAge() {  
        return age;  
    }  
}
```

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Convert Java File to Kotlin File (⇧⌘K)

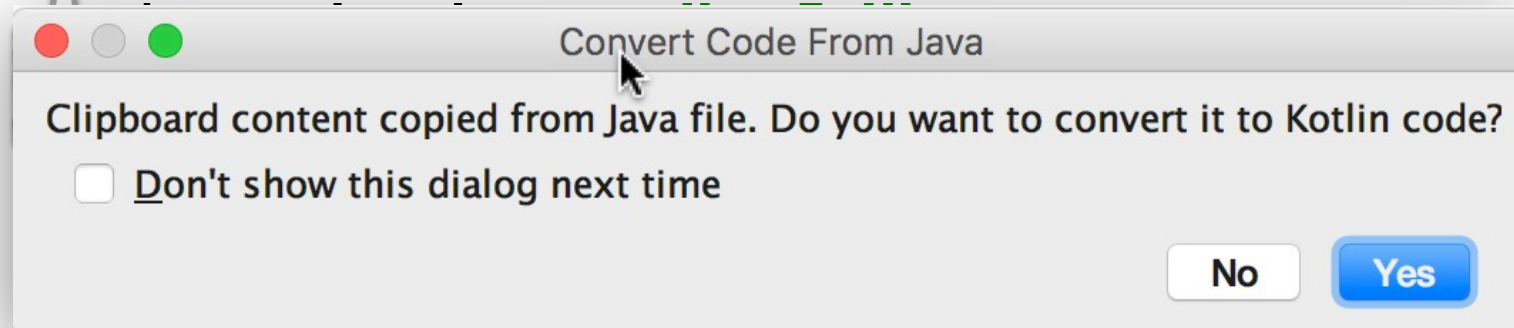
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```
data class Person(val name: String, val age: Int)
```

- equals
- hashCode
- toString

```
public void updateWeather(int degrees) {  
    String description;  
    Colour colour;  
    if (degrees < 5) {  
        colour = ORANGE;  
    } else {  
        description = "hot";  
        colour = RED;  
    }  
    // ...  
}
```



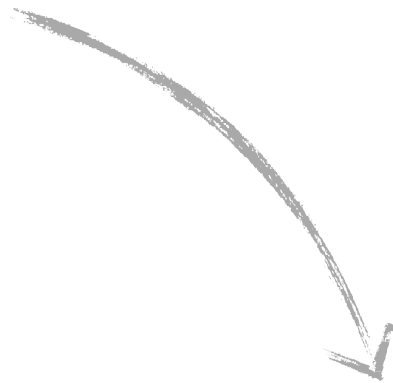

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fun updateWeather(degrees: Int) {  
    val (description: String, colour: Colour) =  
        if (degrees < 5) {  
            Pair("cold", BLUE)  
        } else if (degrees < 23) {  
            Pair("mild", ORANGE)  
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 Replace 'if' with 'when' ►



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    else -> Pair("hot" to RED)  
}
```



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```
val numbers: MutableList = mutableListOf(1, 2, 3)  
val readOnlyNumbers: List = numbers
```

# Dealing with Nullable Types

```
val s: String?
```

```
if (s != null) {  
    s.  
}
```

💡 Replace 'if' expression with safe access expression ▶

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```
val s: String?
```

```
s?.length
```

# Nullability operators

```
val s: String?
```

```
val length = if (s != null) s.length else null
```



```
val length = s?.length
```

# Extension functions

We can extend any class with new features even if we don't have access to the source code

The extension function acts as part of the class

```
fun Int.isEven(): Boolean { return this%2 == 0 }  
println("isEven ${4.isEven()}")
```

# Extension Functions

```
fun String.lastChar() = get(length - 1)
```

```
val c: Char = "abc".l
```

- λ lastChar() for String in com.svtnk.droidcon
- λ last {...} (predicate: (Char) -> Boolean) 1
- λ last() for String in kotlin
- λ lastOrNull {...} (predicate: (Char) -> Boolean)
- λ lastOrNull() for String in kotlin
- v length



# Extension functions

- do not modify the original class
- the function is added as a static import
- can be declared in any file
- common practice: create files which include a set of related functions

# Object Oriented & Functional

Uses lambda expressions, to solve some problems in a much easier way.



```
view.setOnClickListener { toast("Hello world!") }
```

```
view.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {  
    @Override  
    public void onClick(View v) {  
        Toast.makeText(this, "Hello world!", Toast.LENGTH_LONG )  
            .show();  
    }  
});
```



# apply



```
enum class Orientation { VERTICAL, HORIZONTAL }

class LayoutStyle {
    var orientation = HORIZONTAL
}

fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    val layout = LayoutStyle().apply { orientation = VERTICAL }
}
```

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```

```
public class LayoutStyle {
    private Orientation orientation = HORIZONTAL;
    public Orientation getOrientation() {
        return orientation;
    }
    public void setOrientation(Orientation orientation) {
        this.orientation = orientation;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        LayoutStyle layout = new LayoutStyle();
        layout.setOrientation(VERTICAL);
    }
}
```



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