

Introduction to Kotlin

"We've built tools to support so many nice languages, and we're still using Java"

-JetBrains, 2010

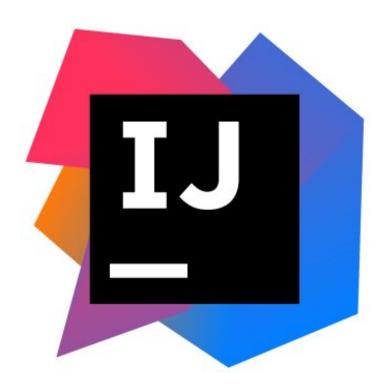


JetBrains and Google create a non-profit foundation to continue Kotlin development

Google officially support Kotlin development on Android

Why should you care?

- JetBrains created Kotlin to improve Developer Productivity and Developer Enjoyment - both important
- Kotlin comes from industry rather than academia it's pragmatic and solves problems faced by working programmers
- It costs nothing to adopt, it runs on the JVM* and integrates easily with other Java code
- You can use all of the existing libraries that you are familiar with
- Backing from JetBrains and Google ensures that it won't go away and has great tool support



IDE Time

Learning More

- Official site: https://kotlinlang.org
- Kotlin Koans: https://kotlinlang.org/docs/tutorials/koans.html
- Read open source:
 - http4k: http4k.org
 - Exposed: https://github.com/JetBrains/Exposed