

Speaker background

- ▶ Saw first Java presentation in 1996 ACM at UT
- ▶ Programming in Java since 1999
- ▶ Scala (seriously in November 2012, Martin Odersky, Functional Programming in Scala, Coursera)
- ▶ Big data processing Hadoop since 2010, Spark since 2014
- ▶ Teaching JHU grad comp sci, Hadoop for UMBC Training, Spark for Databricks

The Scala Programming Language

- ▶ Odersky
- ▶ Lightbend
- ▶ Multi-paradigm
- ▶ Statically typed
- ▶ Scalable - small to large
- ▶ Stretch your mind

Sca(lable) la(nguage)

- ▶ Apache Kafka (LinkedIn)
- ▶ Apache Spark (Databricks)
- ▶ Finagle (Twitter) - Twitter switched from Ruby on Rails to Scala
- ▶ Akka (Lightbend)
- ▶ Lucid Software - scala.js presentation Fluent 2016 Paul Draper
- ▶ Play Web Framework
 - ▶ Lichess Online Chess
- ▶ Lightbend customers: Walmart, Verizon, Twitter, LinkedIn, Coursera, The Guardian, Airbnb...

Scala to Java bytecode

- ▶ JIT
- ▶ JVMs for most OSes and Android Dalvik(old) now Android Runtime (ART)
 - ▶ Portability
 - ▶ Security
 - ▶ Garbage collectors
- ▶ Full Java interop - leverage Java libraries

Exploration - Scala Shell and Worksheet

- ▶ Scala shell
- ▶ IDEA Scala Worksheet
- ▶ Scala IDE
- ▶ sbt console

Typesafe Config Exploration

```
import com.typesafe.config.ConfigFactory
val configStr =
  """analytic {
    |   startTime = 2016103111,
    |   endTime = 2016103115
    |}
  """.stripMargin

val appConfig =
  ConfigFactory.parseString(configStr)
appConfig.hasPath("analytic.timeStart")
appConfig.getString("analytic.startTime")
```

Scala Tour

- ▶ Conciseness
 - ▶ no semicolons, static type inference, lots of syntactic sugar, functional processing, implicits
- ▶ Mixed Paradigms
 - ▶ Object Oriented
 - ▶ all objects, classes, case classes, traits, mixins
 - ▶ Functional

scalatour/01-NoSemicolons

- ▶ optional semicolons
- ▶ type inference
- ▶ vals vs. vars
- ▶ higher-order functions on collections

scalatour/02-Functions

- ▶ Use def keyword to define function/method
- ▶ arg type declaration after variable name
- ▶ return type
- ▶ body of function
- ▶ expressions vs. statements - last expression is returned
- ▶ function literals

scalatour/03-AllObjects

- ▶ Everything is an object (but might translate to Java primitive)
- ▶ Use `==` for testing equality (eq object reference)

scalatour/04-Tuples

- ▶ Most useful as pair/two-tuple (up to 22)
- ▶ Strongly typed for each position
- ▶ access via `_1`, `_2` methods or pattern matching

scalatour/05-Options

- ▶ Avoid null and NullPointerException (NPE)
- ▶ Option[T] - Some[T] or None
 - ▶ sealed abstract class Option, class Some, object None
- ▶ Options act like a collection

scalatour/06-Collections

- ▶ Array
- ▶ Immutable, mutable data structures
 - ▶ List
 - ▶ Higher-order functions
 - ▶ filter, map, flatMap, reduce, fold...
 - ▶ Map
 - ▶ Set, Vector...

Scala Docs

- ▶ <http://www.scala-lang.org/api/2.11.8/>
- ▶ StringOps
- ▶ List - Singleton object vs. class

scalatour/07-MultilineStrings

- ▶ Triple quotes
- ▶ substitution (f for printf formatting)

scalatour/08-FunctionalPatternMatching

- ▶ match construct
- ▶ match by type, structure
- ▶ default case or MatchError

scalatour/09-ParsingConfig

- ▶ Match on regular expressions
- ▶ Go Options

scalatour/10-ClassesTraitsMixins

- ▶ class - constructor/body
- ▶ constructor args - val, var, no modifier
- ▶ traits

scalatour/11-CaseClasses

- ▶ provide val accessors
- ▶ apply/unapply, hashCode, toString
- ▶ pattern matching

scalatour/12-Scripting

- ▶ In the small
- ▶ `sys.process`
- ▶ `sys.env`
- ▶ `sys.props`

scalatour/13-JavaInterop

- ▶ to/from Java/Scala collections
- ▶ BeanProperty for getters/setters

scalatour/14-Implicits

- ▶ Use sparingly!
- ▶ Powerful way to extend closed classes

- ▶ Implemented in Scala
- ▶ Powerful functional primitives for scalable cluster processing