Functional Forkshop: Part 1

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About the Forkshop

- Basic forkshop is split into several parts:
 - 1. Type classes, Semigroups and Monoids.
 - 2. Functors and Applicative Functors.
 - 3. Monads.
 - 4. Readers.
 - 5. Comonads.
- Theory and practice. Make sure that you are ready to write the code.
- Target audience is Scala developers learning FP.
- Forkshop is duplicated in Haskell.

Whys

- Functional programming roams (a bit).
 - More projects are using functional programming techniques and idioms (at different scale).
- Some people are still confused by all these functional talks (OptionT, type lambdas etc).
- Having a common language and understanding of some fundamental stuff is important.

Agenda

- Type classes
- Semigroups
- Monoids
- 3 interesting[™] tasks

Type classes

- Problem:
 - Application design
 - Data and logic separation
- Plan:
 - Write a simple application
 - Evolve it
 - Check different approaches
 - Introduce type classes

Application definition

- We are writing a game.
- With multiple different creatures.
- Everyone introduces themselves.
- Introduction consists of animations and text showing in a bubble.

Meet the hero

```
case class Hero(name: String, job: String, level: Int) {
  def introduce(): String = s"Hi! My name is $name. I am $level level $job."
}

object Game extends App {
  val player = Hero("Valik", "Black Mage", 20)

  someRealShitSounds()
  drawBubble(player.introduce())
  someRealShitAnimations()
}

// Hi! My name is Valik. I am 20 level Black Mage.
```

Every hero needs a monster

```
case class Orc(name: String, level: Int) {
  def introduce(): String =
    s"Lok-tar ogar! Me be $name. Me be strong. Level $level strong!"
}
case class Ooze(level: Int) {
  def introduce(): String = 1.to(level).map(_=>"brlup").mkString("-")
}
```

Game

```
object Game extends App {
  val player = Hero("Valik", "Black Mage", 20)
  val orc = Orc("Garrosh", 105)
  val coze = \log_{10}(2)
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Issues with this code:

- 1. Repetition
- 2. Noise
- 3. Refactoring (all these introduce are not related to each other).

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  val coze = Noze(2)
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  someRealShitSounds()
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  someRealShitAnimations()
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  drawBubble(phrase)
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  someRealShitSounds()
  drawBubble(orc.introduce())
  someRealShitAnimations()
  // Introduce once
  someRealShitSounds()
  drawBubble(ooze.introduce())
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  introduce(ooze.introduce())
Cool, but can we introduce(player)?
```

Introducing abstractions

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trait Introducible {
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Game with trait

- No more introduce(_.introduce()).
- We are adaptive. Less code needs to be changed if we need something new in the introduce function (e.g. sound name) just add new 'method' to the trait.
- Refactoring becomes easier.

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```

Here comes the cockatrice

Shawarma to the rescue



```
import io.proprietary.monsters.cockatrice._
/* ... */
case class CockatriceWrapper(cockatrice: Cockatrice) extends Introducible {
  override def introduce(): String = {
    import cockatrice._
    s"Haha. I am a ${element.shortName} cockatrice of level ${level}."
object Game extends App {
  /* ... */
  val cockatrice = Cockatrice(level = 666, element = Element.Fire)
  val cockatriceW = CockatriceWrapper(cockatrice)
  introduce(cockatriceW)
 /* ... */
// Haha. I am a fire cockatrice of level 666.
```

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- Extensibility extending all kind of types:
 - types we own
 - types we don't own
 - even built-in types

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with keyword is not commutative

Introducible with CanAttack != CanAttack with Introducible.

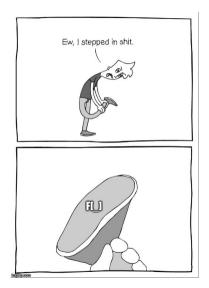
trait + wrapper: extensibility

Extensibility holds, but with several caveats:

- 1. No consistency we wrap only types we don't own.
- 2. Wrappers don't compose very well. You might even wrap your wrappers.
- 3. Bad usability you can't interchangeably use wrapper and the underlying value.

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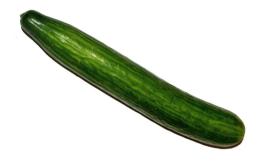
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// Pass data and behaviour separately
object Game extends App {
  /* ... */
  introduce(
    creature = hero.
   impl = Hero.introducibleHero
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```
import io.proprietary.monsters.cockatrice._
// Implement behaviour as a value in companion object
object CockatriceInstances {
  val introducibleCockatrice: Introducible[Cockatrice] = new Introducible[Cockatrice] {
    override def introduce(a: Cockatrice): String =
      s"..."
// Pass data and behaviour separately
object Game extends App {
  /* ... */
  introduce(
    creature = cockatrice.
   impl = CockatriceInstances.introducibleCockatrice
```

But passing implementation around is. . .



Cucumbersome

So implicits:(

```
object Hero {
  val introducibleHero:
      Introducible[Hero] = ???
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                 impl: Introducible[A]): Unit = {
  /* ... */
  drawBubble(impl.introduce(creature))
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```
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  def introduce(a: A): String
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                                                             def apply[A: Introducible]: Introducible[A] =
                                                               implicitly[Introducible[A]]
def introduce[A](creature: A)
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             (implicit impl: Introducible[A]): Unit = {
  /* ... */
                                                             /* ... */
  drawBubble(impl.introduce(creature))
                                                             drawBubble(Introducible[A].introduce(creature))
  /* ... */
                                                             /* ... */
```

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In Scala this can be achieved in several ways:

- Class inheritance or traits.
- Type classes (traits + implicits).

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But with type classes we don't care about the order.

Type classes: extensibility

Extensibility holds with some gains:

- 1. Consistency we treat our own type the same way we treat external types.
- 2. Usability no wrappers, no interchangeability problem.

Type classes: final thoughts

- 1. Simple idea giving us good properties.
- 2. Found a good use for controversial implicits feature.
- 3. Literal separation of data and values.
- 4. Good for overloading.
- 5. As with any abstraction, not so good for performance.

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Please keep calm and remember that our focus is practical importance :)

Semigroup

Semigroup is a set S with binary closed operation $\cdot: S \times S \to S$ that satisfies associativity property:

$$\forall a, b, c \in S : (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$$

Operation is closed when $\forall a, b \in S : a \cdot b \in S$.

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```
package object typeclass {

//
// Laws:
// 1. \forall a, b, c \in A : (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)
//
trait Semigroup[A] {
    def combine(x: A, y: A): A
}

object Semigroup {
    def apply[A: Semigroup]: Semigroup[A] =
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Important!

Semigroup is a pair of the set and the operation.

You can't say that string is a semigroup, you must provide an operation.

And in many cases there is more than one operation for a set to form a semigroup.

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- And as you will see, we really care about these laws.

Instance example

```
package object implicits {
  implicit val stringSemigroup: Semigroup[String] = new Semigroup[String] {
    override def combine(x: String, y: String): String = x + y
  }
}
```

Checking laws - pen and paper in comments

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    override def combine(x: String, y: String): String = x + y
}
}

/*
combine(a, combine(b, c))
= combine(a, b + c)
= a + (b + c)
= (associativity of +)
= (a + b) + c = combine(a + b, c)
= combine(combine(a, b), c)
*/
```



Question on the interview: property based testing

```
object SemigroupSpecification extends Properties("Semigroup") with SemigroupSpecificationSupport {
 include(semigroup[String](stringSemigroup))
trait SemigroupSpecificationSupport {
 def semigroup[A](sg: Semigroup[A])(implicit ar: Arbitrary[A], tag: ClassTag[A]): Properties =
   new Properties(s"Semigroup[${tag.toString}]") {
     // \forall a, b, c \in A : (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)
     property("associativity") = forAll { (a: A, b: A, c: A) =>
       sg.combine(sg.combine(a, b), c) =? sg.combine(a, sg.combine(b, c))
/*
+ Semigroup. Semigroup[java.lang. String]. associativity: OK. passed 100 tests
*/
```

More examples

- Numbers with +, *, min, max
- Booleans with conjunction, disjunction, implication etc.
- Square nonnegative matrices with multiplication.
- Lists, Strings, Maps etc. with concatenation/union
- We will see even more examples during practical part.

Contra-examples

- $\{\mathbb{N}, /\}$ is not a Semigroup, because / is not associative.
- The same goes for $\{\mathbb{N}, a^b\}$.
- $\{\mathbb{N}, -\}$ is not a Semigroup, because is not a closed operation, e.g. $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{N} : a b \notin \mathbb{N}$, for example $10 15 = -5 \notin \mathbb{N}$.

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- 1.1 Create Semigroup typeclass manually in wax.typeclass.semigroup.manual.typeclass
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In other words, monoid is just a semigroup with identity element.



Again, it's not that scary

```
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// 2.  \forall a \in S: e \cdot a = a \cdot e = a

//
trait Monoid[A] extends Semigroup[A] {
    def empty: A
}

object Monoid {
    def apply[A: Monoid]: Monoid[A] = implicitly[Monoid[A]]
}
```

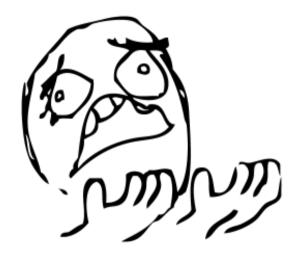
Examples

- $\{\mathbb{N}_0, +\}$, where 0 is the identity element.
- $\{\mathbb{N}, *\}$, where 1 is the identity element.
- Boolean with XOR, XNOR, OR, AND.
- String with concatenation (empty string is identity element).

But not every Semigroup forms a Monoid (we are not talking about free monoids here):

BigNumber practically doesn't have identity element for min.

The most important question



The Fibonacci numbers

On the interview we ask people to write a function that returns the nth Fibonacci number.

$$F_0 = 0$$

 $F_1 = 1$
 $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}, \forall n > 1$

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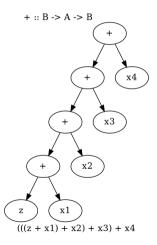
As they say, truth is somewhere in the logarithm.

Two folds

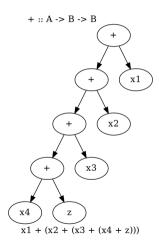
- def foldl[A, B](xs: Seq[A])(z: B)(op: B => A => B): B
 - Folds the structure from left to right
- def foldr[A, B](xs: Seq[A])(z: B)(op: A => B => B): B
 - Folds the structure from right to left
- Since combining function is asymmetrical in its types:
 - It's impossible to place parentheses in the arbitrary fashion or even just change the direction of the fold
 - It's impossible to implement a total fold without default value of type B

Example

foldl



foldr



What Monoid gives us

- Combining function is symmetrical (combine : A -> A -> A).
- Monoid provides identity element of type A (empty).
- So we can define a special fold
 - def foldMonoid[A: Monoid](xs: Seq[A]): A
- Associativity law says that we can put parentheses in an arbitrary fashion.
- Identity law says that we can place identity element anywhere on the far left, on the far right or even in the middle.
- Laws that we checked are giving us means to abstract implementation.
- When we ask consumer of our API to provide us a Monoid we don't want only a behaviour but behaviour that follows the laws. We want these properties as much as we want the functions.

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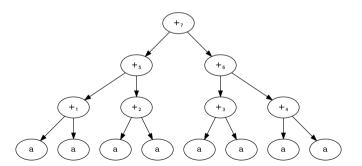
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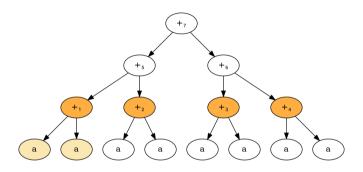
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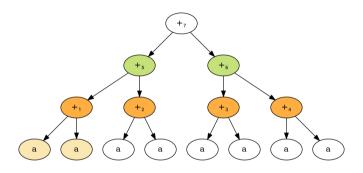
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Evaluating a + a always yields the same result. So there is no point in repeating this calculation 4 times.



The same thing with the upper level. In this particular example, we can avoid 4 operations out of 7. In general, this optimisation leads to the result in $\log n$ operations.

All this means that we can define a function power:

```
def power[A: Monoid](a: A, n: Int): A = {
    ???
}
```

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- The Fibonacci number can be calculated using square nonnegative matrix multiplication.
- Square nonnegative matrices form Monoid with multiplication.
- So we can put parentheses in a way we like it.

Time for work

- Open wax.exercise.fibonacci module.
- Task is to implement monoid for Matrix2x2.
- Run MatrixMonoidSpecification to test your instance.
- Run Main object and compare benchmarking results of tail recursive and matrix-based implementations.

Outcome

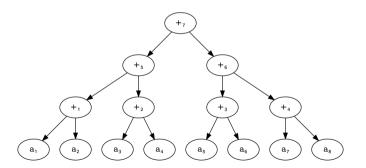
- Just think about it.
 - Giving any monoid we have a helper that allows us to efficiently calculate a^n .
 - This is not only because of the operations, but the laws (or so-called properties) that come
 with these operations.
 - Monoids are everywhere around us. We deal with them every day, without even noticing it.
- You might forget how matrix multiplication works, but now you remember, right?

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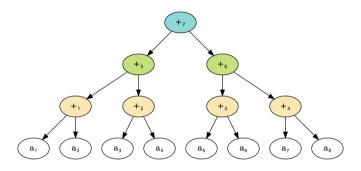
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Every expression on each level does not depend on other expressions from the same level, which means that we can evaluate them in parallel.

MapReduce

- Sometimes we have a collection of elements that don't form Monoid.
- But we can transform (going ahead, map) them into something that is a Monoid
 - Again, going ahead, this also can be done in parallel.
- There is a strange accent, where people pronounce 'fold' as 'reduce'.
- This is how we get the mapReduce.

Getting the top used words from set of books

- Open wax.exercise.mapreduce module.
- Task is to
 - Implement monoid for MapReduce.Result[A].
 - Implement the job function. Let's find the most used word among all the books that is also longer than 4 symbols.
- Books are located in the resources directory.
- Use allBooks to load all available books or authorBooks to load all books of specific author.
 - authorBooks("boris") you can use this author with small amount of text to test your job.
- Compare benchmark results.

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case class Wrapper[A] (value: A)

object Wrapper {
  implicit def wrapperMonoid[A: Monoid]: Monoid[Wrapper[A]] = new Monoid[Wrapper[A]] {
    override def empty: Wrapper[A] = Wrapper(Monoid[A].empty)

  override def combine(x: Wrapper[A], y: Wrapper[A]): Wrapper[A] =
    Wrapper(Monoid[A].combine(x.value, y.value))
}
```

Wrappers of monoids are monoids

- So IO can also be a monoid def ioMonoid[A: Monoid]: Monoid[IO[A]] = ???
- Which means that we can combine IO actions (in some new sense).
- Functions are wrappers (in some sense), so they also can be monoids
 def functionMonoid[A, B: Monoid]: Monoid[Function[A, B]] = ???
- Which means that we can combine functions (in some new sense).

Logger

Logger is basically a function from String to IO[Unit].
 type Logger = String => IO[Unit]

```
• Unit forms a monoid.
```

- So IO[Unit] forms a monoid.
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- So Logger forms a monoid.
- So we can combine loggers
 - combine(fileLogger, consoleLogger) logs both into file and to console

Logger

- Open wax.exercise.logging module
- Task is to implement monoid for IO[Logger]
- Have fun!

Recap (recup?)

- Semigroup is something with means of combining these somethings.
- Monoid is semigroup that also has neutral element that doesn't affect a combination.
- Associativity is a powerful property giving us an ability to solve some tasks.
 - a^n in $\log n$
 - mapReduce
- Monoids are everywhere. They act like a plague, once something forms a monoid, something else also begins to form a monoid.
- We want some rest after a long session of forkshop.

Questions?

 $\epsilon\rho\omega\tau\eta\sigma\eta$?

Thank you very much!

We hope you enjoyed this session.