

Interfaces and Traits

Java	Scala
<pre>interface Bar { double fiddle(int n); int triple(int n); }</pre>	<pre>trait Bar { def fiddle(n: Int): Double def triple(n: Int) = 3 * n } // Traits may contain complete functions // If result type is obvious, no need to declare it</pre>

Operators

Java	Scala
<code>! ~ * / % + - << >> >>> < > <= >= == != & ^ && </code>	<code>! ~ * / % + - << >> >>> < > <= >= == != & ^ && </code>
<code>= + -= *= /= %= <<= >>= >>>= &= ^= !=</code>	<code>= + -= *= /= %= <<= >>= >>>= &= ^= !=</code>
<code><i>c</i> ? <i>x</i> : <i>y</i></code>	<code>if <i>c</i> then <i>x</i> else <i>y</i></code>
<code>++ --</code>	<code>// Deliberately omitted from Scala</code>

Statements and Expressions

Strictly speaking, Scala does not have statements, only expressions. However, many of the following Scala expressions return `()`, the "unit" value. In this table I use "statement" to indicate that `()` is returned.

Java	Scala
<code>{ statements }</code>	<code>{ expressions }</code> // value is last expression evaluated
<code>if (condition) statement</code> <code>else if (condition) statement</code> <code>else statement</code>	<code>if (condition) expression</code> <code>else if (condition) expression</code> <code>else expression</code> // value is last expression evaluated
<code>while (condition) statement</code> <code>do { statements } while (condition)</code>	<code>while (condition) statement</code> <code>do { statements } while (condition)</code>
<code>for (initialization; test; increment) statement</code>	<code>for (generators/guards) statement</code> // generators are <code>variable <- sequence</code> // for <code>sequence</code> use <code>list</code> , <code>array</code> , <code>min to max</code> , <code>min until max</code> // guards are <code>if condition</code> // must begin with a generator
<code>continue</code> <code>break</code>	// No immediate Scala equivalent // Can be implemented (slowly) with Exceptions // Consider using a filter instead
// No Java equivalent	<code>expression match {</code> <code>case pattern1 => expression1</code> <code>case pattern2 if condition => expression2</code> <code>...</code> <code>case patternN => expressionN</code> <code>}</code> /* Patterns can be literal values, variables, underscores, sequences, tuples, options, typed patterns, name of a case class, or regular expressions */
<code>return;</code>	<code>return value</code> // must supply a value // If used, function must declare return type
<code>try { statements }</code> <code>catch (ExceptionType variable) { statements }</code> <code>...</code> <code>catch (ExceptionType variable) { statements }</code> <code>finally { statements }</code> <code>}</code>	<code>try { expressions }</code> <code>catch {</code> <code>case name: Exception => { expressions }</code> <code>...</code> <code>case name: Exception => { expressions }</code> <code>} finally { statements }</code> // Consider having the expressions return an Option type

Method/Function Definitions

Java	Scala
<pre>returnType methodName(type arg, ..., type arg) {...} // Methods must be declared at top level within a class</pre>	<pre>def functionName(arg: Type, ..., arg: Type): returnType = {...} /* returnType may be omitted if function is not recursive and does not contain return statements */</pre>
<pre>void methodName(type arg, ..., type arg) {...}</pre>	<pre>def functionName(arg: Type, ..., arg: Type): returnType {...} // Note the absence of =</pre>
<pre>returnType methodName(type arg, ..., type... arg) {...} // Last argument is received as an array</pre>	<pre>def functionName(arg: Type, ..., arg: Type*): returnType = {...} // Last argument is received as a Seq</pre>
<pre>// Java does not have default arguments // Both Java and Scala may have overloaded methods</pre>	<pre>def functionName(..., arg: Type=value): returnType = {...} // Rightmost arguments may have default values</pre>
<pre>// Java does not have named arguments</pre>	<pre>// You can call with named arguments, as // functionName(name=value, ...)</pre>

Types and Type Declarations

Java	Scala
These are primitives: double, float, byte, char, short, int, long, boolean	These are objects (superclass AnyVal): Double, Float, Byte, Char, Short, Int, Long, Boolean
<i>ObjectType</i> <Content <i>Type</i> , Content <i>Type</i> , ...>	<i>ObjectType</i> [Content <i>Type</i> , Content <i>Type</i> , ...]
// Use interface in java.util.function	(<i>type</i> , ..., <i>type</i>) => <i>returnType</i>
// No equivalent	type <i>name</i> = <i>type</i> // Gives a name to a type
final int MAX = 100;	val max = 100 -- vals are immutable
int count = 0;	var count = 0
	var count: Int = 0 -- ok to explicitly declare the type
int count;	// No equivalent, variables must have a value
String[] languages = {"C", "C++", "Java", "Scala"};	var languages = Array("C", "C++", "Java", "Scala")
import java.util.LinkedList;	var list = List("C", "C++", "Java", "Scala")
...	
LinkedList list = new LinkedList();	
list.add("C");	
list.add("C++");	
list.add("Java");	
list.add("Scala");	
...	
// Approximately 70 methods defined on lists	// Approximately 170 methods defined on lists
import java.util.HashMap;	var map = Map("Dick" -> 8, "Jane" -> 6)
...	...
HashMap<String, Int> map = new HashMap<>;	
map.put("Dick", 8);	
map.put("Jane", 6);	
...	
age = map.get("Dick");	age = map("Dick")
// Java does not have tuples	("Mary", 12)
null	Scala has null only so it can interact with Java Otherwise use type Option[<i>type</i>] with values Some(<i>value</i>) or None
void // only as a method return type	() // The "unit" value
(x, y) -> (x + y) / 2	(x, y) => (x + y) / 2

Concise Java to Scala

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Packages and Imports

Java	Scala
<code>package name; // must be first thing in file</code>	<code>package name // Can go anywhere</code>
<code>import package.class;</code>	<code>import package.class,import package.object</code>
<code>import package.class.*;</code>	<code>import package.class._</code>
<code>import static package.class;</code>	<code>// All Scala imports are static</code>
<code>// No Java equivalent</code>	<code>import package.{class, object} // Import selected items</code>
<code>// No Java equivalent</code>	<code>import package.{class => name} // Import and rename</code>
<code>// No Java equivalent</code>	<code>import package.{class => _} // Import all except</code>

Classes, Constructors, Setters and Getters

Java	Scala
<pre>class Foo extends Bar implements Baz { private int n; private double x; private String s; public Foo(int n, double x, String s) { this.n = n; this.x = x; this.s = s; } public Foo(int n) { this(2 * n, 0.0, "abc") } public int getN() { return n; } public double getX() { return x; } public void setX(double x) { this.x = x; } }</pre>	<pre>class Foo(val n: Int, var x: Double, s: String) extends Bar with Baz { // The above defines the class and saves the // arguments as instance variables. def this(n: Int) { this(2 * n, 0.0, "abc") } // To create an instance of Foo, // say foo = new Foo(1, 2.0, "abc") // n is val, so it has a getter // To call the getter for foo, say foo.n // x is var, so it has both a getter and a setter // To set foo.x to 3.5, say foo.x = 3.5 // s is neither val nor var, so it has no getter // and no setter }</pre>