Introduction to Kotlin Workshop for Intermediate Android Developers

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Intros & Logistics





Introductions



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- Velos staff
- Format of Workshop/ Slides
- Any questions?



Prerequisites

- Experience with Android Development in Java
- Android Studio 3.0 +
- EduTools plugin for Kotlin Koans or https://try.kotlinlang.org/
- New Android project setup



References

- http://kotlinlang.org/docs/reference/
- Kotlin in Action: Dmitry Jemerov & Svetlana Isakova



Introduction to Kotlin





What is Kotlin?

- Why learn Kotlin?
- Provides "more concise, productive, safer alternative to Java"
- Made by developers
- It's cool. It's supported.



Kotlin vs. Java

- Both statically typed
- Kotlin has type inference
 - e.g. val x: Int = 3 vs val x = 3
- Java is Object-oriented, but Kotlin supports OO and functional styles

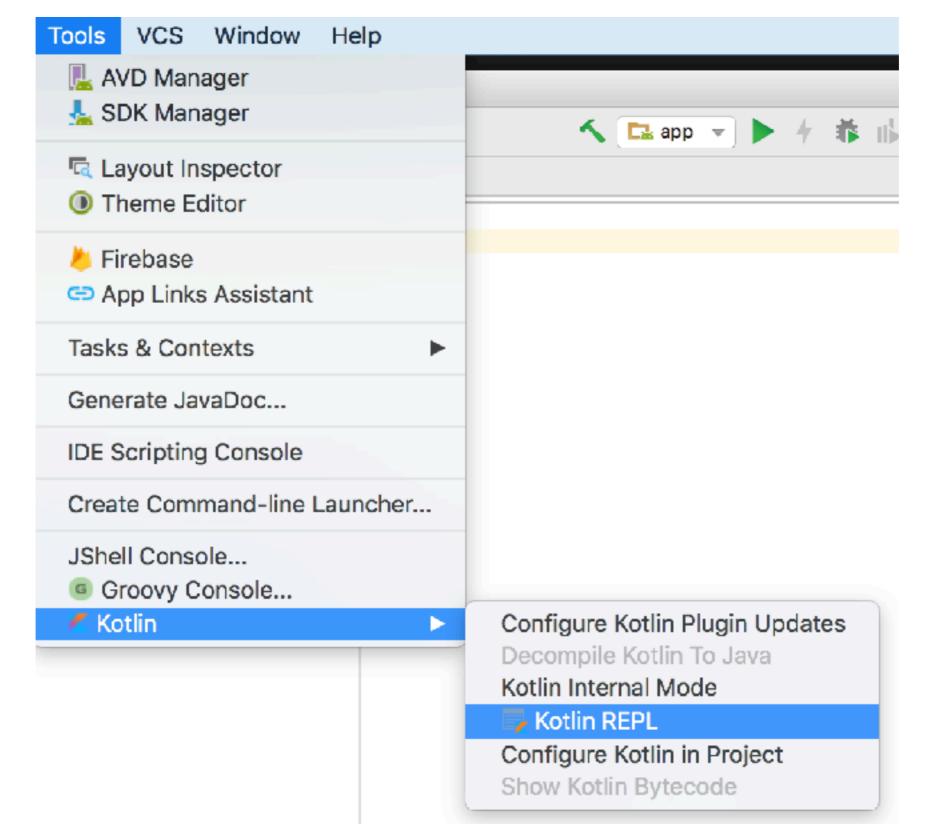


Hello World

```
fun printHelloWorld () {
  println ("Hello World")
}
printHelloWorld()
```



Kotlin REPL





Kotlin REPL





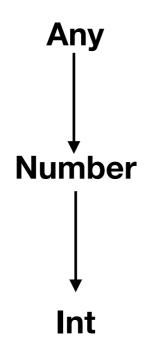
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Objects

• Everything is treated like an object.



| Type | Bit width |
|--------|-----------|
| Double | 64 |
| Float | 32 |
| Long | 64 |
| Int | 32 |
| Short | 16 |
| Byte | 8 |



Variables & Functions





val

```
//val cannot be reassigned
val x = 3
x += 5
error: val cannot be reassigned
```

- val = final in Java
- Immutable



var

```
// mutable
var a = 0
a = 42
println(a)
```

- var = regular Java variable
- Mutable



Functions

- Declared with fun keyword
- Return type after parameter
- Main returns 'Unit' type

```
fun sum(a: Int, b: Int): Int {
    return a + b
fun main(args: Array<String>) {
    print("Sum of 3 and 5 is ")
    println(sum(3, 5))
```



Functions

```
fun sum(a: Int, b: Int): Int {
   return a + b
}
```

```
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fun sum(a: Int, b: Int) = a + b
```

- Simplify if you're returning single expression
- Return type inferred



Named Parameters

```
fun sumFirstAndSecond(first: Int, second: Int, third: Int): Int {
    return first + second
}
println(sumFirstAndSecond(first = 3, third = 9, second = 5))
```

- Name parameters when calling method
- Call in any order



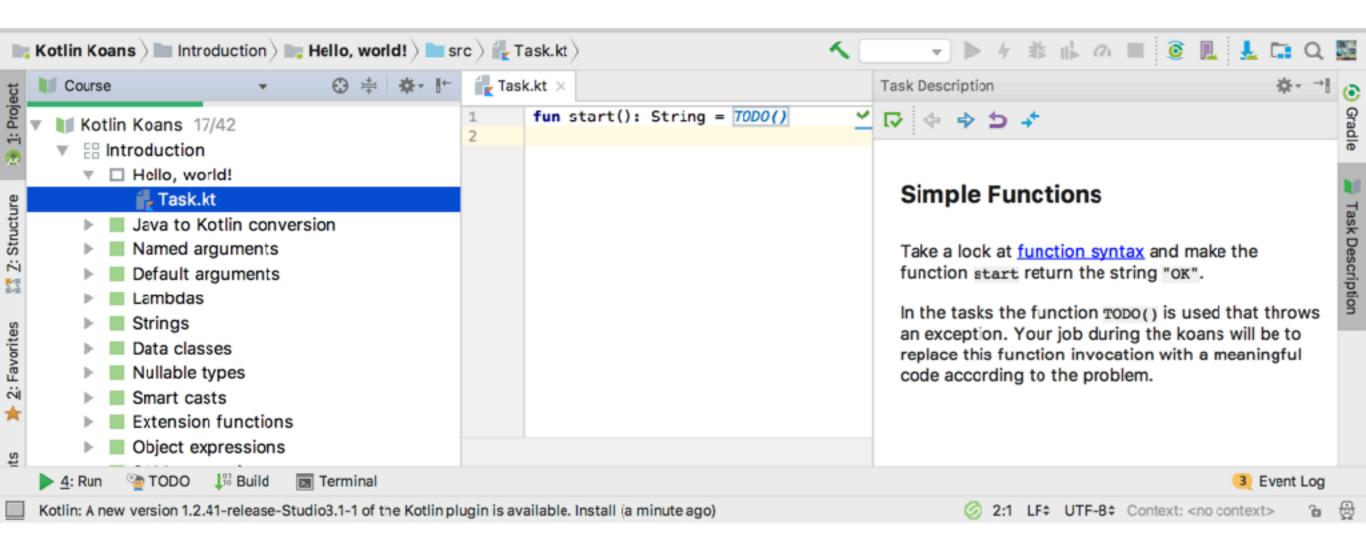
Default Parameters

```
fun sumFirstAndSecond(first: Int, second: Int = 5, third: Int): Int {
    return first + second
}
println(sumFirstAndSecond(first = 3, third = 9))
```

Add default for a param after data type



Kotlin Koans



https://kotlinlang.org/docs/tutorials/edu-tools-learner.html



Koans

20min *Introduction*:

- Hello, world!
- Java to Kotlin conversion
- Default arguments
- (Bonus) Named arguments



Control Structures





if

- Expressions, not statements
- Assign value on last line
- Default return type is "Unit" (like void in Java)

```
val i = 17
val size = if (i < 15) {</pre>
    println("i is less than 15.")
    "small"
} else if (i >= 15 && i <= 25) {
    "medium"
} else {
    "large"
println(size) //medium
```



when

- Similar to switchcase
- Checks if left hand side evaluates to true

```
val price = 13
when (price) {
   0 -> println("free")
   in 1..15 -> println("cheap")
   in 16..25 -> println("moderate")
   in 26..65 -> println("expensive")
   else -> println("crazy expensive")
//cheap
```



when

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println(x)
//cheap
```



enums

```
enum class Color {
    BLUE, ORANGE, RED
}
```

• Keyword enum for enum classes



enums and when

- Use enums with when expressions
- Can use when without a condition

```
enum class Color {
    BLUE, ORANGE, RED
fun updateWeather(
        celsiusDegrees: Double
    val description: String
    val color: Color
    when {
        celsiusDegrees < 0 -> {
            description = "cold"
            color = Color.BLUE
        celsiusDegrees in 0..15 -> {
            description = "mild"
            color = Color.ORANGE
        else -> {
            description = "hot"
            color = Color.RED
```



Loops

```
val list = listOf(1, 2, 3)
for (element in list) {
    print(element)
for (i in 1..9) { // including 9
    print(i)
// excluding 10 (the same as 1..9)
for (i in 1 until 10) {
    print(i)
for (i in 9 downTo 1 step 2) {
    print(i)
```



Classes





Classes

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

Don't need new keyword for new instance:

val person = Person("John", 55)

Implicit calls to getters/setters



Data Classes

- Replace POJOs in Java
- Keyword data in front of class
- Lets you access:
 - hashCode()
 - equals()
 - toString()
 - copy()



Data Classes Example

```
public class VideoGame {
    private String name;
    private String publisher;
    private int reviewScore;
    public VideoGame(String name, String publisher, int reviewScore) {
        this.name = name;
        this.publisher = publisher;
        this.reviewScore = reviewScore;
    public String getName() {
        return name;
    public void setName(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    public String getPublisher() {
        return publisher;
    public void setPublisher(String publisher) {
        this.publisher = publisher;
```



Data Classes Example



data class VideoGame(val name: String, val publisher: String, var reviewScore: Int)

Source: Data Classes in Kotlin

val videogame = VideoGame("a name", "a publisher", 4)

Use implicit getters/setters

videogame.name = "some game"

videogame.name



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Data Classes



Hierarchies





Open Classes

```
open class Base
class Child : Base()
```

- Classes in Kotlin by default are closed
- Think, "Should this class be inheritable?"



Interfaces

```
interface MyInterface {
   fun bar()
   fun foo() {
      // optional body
   }
}
```

```
class Child : MyInterface {
   override fun bar() {
      // body
   }
}
```

- Use: for implements
- Must override bar()
- foo() is optional



Abstract Classes

```
abstract class Vehicle(val name: String,
                       val color: String,
                       val weight: Double) {    // Concrete (Non Abstract) Properties
    // Abstract Methods (Must be implemented by Subclasses)
    abstract fun start()
    abstract fun stop()
    // Concrete (Non Abstract) Method
    fun displayDetails() {
        println("Name: $name, Color: $color, Weight: $weight, Max Speed: $maxSpeed")
```

Source: Kotlin Abstract Classes



Abstract Classes

```
class Car(name: String,
          color: String,
          weight: Double): Vehicle(name, color, weight) {
    override fun start() {
        println("Car Started")
    }
    override fun stop() {
        println("Car Stopped")
```

Use: to extend



Nullability





Null Safety

```
var a: String = "abc"
a = null // compilation error
```

- Error caught at compile time
- a can't be null here



Nullability

```
var b: String? = "abc"
b = null // ok

val l = b.length // error: variable 'b' can be null
```

- Use? To declare nullable
- b.length doesn't compile



Safe Calls

?.

```
//returns b.length if b is not null
//null otherwise
val x = b?.length
```

- Use? to check if null
- Returns b.length if b is not null; null otherwise
- Type of x is Int?



Non-null Asserted



```
val len = b!!.length
//kotlin.KotlinNullPointerException
```

- Use !! If you know something will definitely not be null
- Try not to use this!!.



Smart Cast

```
if (shape is Circle){
    shape.drawFace()
}

if (shape is Square && shape.containsWindows()){
    shape.drawHouse()
}
```

- is keyword
- Replaces 'instanceOf' in Java



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- Nullable types
- Smart casts



Functions





Extension Functions



A Toast

```
Toast.makeText(context, "Authorizing", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT);
```

What's wrong with this?



Kotlin Extension

Invoking

```
"Authorizing".toast(getApp())
```



Extension Function

- Adds new functions to existing classes
- Maintains the same namespace
- Colocation of functionality
- Can access protected functionality via this



Other Possibilities

```
"SecretKey".encrypt()
context.hasContactsPermissions()
imageView.clear()
response.isNullOrError()
```



Advantages of Extensions

- Discoverability
- Autocompletion
- Compact null checking



Use Cases

- Fix confusing, inconvenient, or verbose Android APIs
- Enhance 3rd party libraries without editing the source
- Create a library of helper functions for your team
- Many additions already available via Android KTX at https://github.com/android/android-ktx



Questions?



Lambdas



Traditional Interfaces

```
view.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
   public void onClick(final View v) {
       v.setVisibility(View.GONE);
   }
});
```



Lambda Approach

```
view.setOnClickListener { view.visibility = View.GONE }
```

- Anonymous function
- Somewhat like an anonymous class
- Not attached to class
- A lightweight way to fulfill a contract



Higher Order Functions



A Higher Order Function Is:

- A "first-class" citizen
- Can be passed as a parameter
- Can be stored in a variable
- Can be returned from another function



A Calculator

```
class Calculator(c: Context) : TextView(c) {
    fun calculate(
            left: Int,
            right: Int,
            operator: (x: Int, y: Int) -> Int
        setText(operator(left, right))
```



Passing Functions

```
fun add(x: Int, y: Int) = x + y
fun subtract(x: Int, y: Int) = x - y

fun performCalculation(calculator: Calculator) {
    calculator.calculate(left = 3, right = 6, operator = ::add)
}
```



Passing Lambdas

```
calculator.calculate(
   left = 4,
   right = 2,
   operator = {x: Int, y: Int -> x * y}
)
```



Questions?



Standard Higher Order Functions



Traditional Null Checking

How often have you written code like this?

```
View focused = getCurrentFocus();
if (focused != null) {
   focused.setBackgroundColor(Color.RED);
}
```



let

"let" evaluates the right side only if the left side is non-null

```
getCurrentFocus()?.let { it.setBackgroundColor(Color.RED) }
```

Like all lambdas, can rename parameter to be more readable

```
getCurrentFocus()?.let { view -> view.setBackgroundColor(Color.RED) }
```



Object Configuration

```
val intent = Intent(this, WorkshopActivity::class.java)
intent.putExtra("Name", "Velos")
intent.putExtra("Enabled", true)
intent.putExtra("Address", 3130)
startActivity(intent)
```



with

- Standard function that accepts a lambda
- Parameter becomes basis of the block
- Like having another "this"
- Very useful for configuring an object

```
val intent = Intent(this,
    ProduceDetailActivity::class.java)
with (intent) {
   putExtra("Name", "Velos")
   putExtra("Enabled", true)
   putExtra("Address", 3130)
   startActivity(this)
}
```



Terse Initialization

```
with (Intent(this, ProduceDetailActivity::class.java)) {
   putExtra("Name", "Velos")
   putExtra("Enabled", true)
   putExtra("Address", 3130)
   startActivity(this)
}
```

- No need to store Intent in local variable
- Can ignore it after exiting the block



apply

- Similar to "with"
- Extension function called on object
- Returns the object called on

```
startActivity(
   Intent(this, ProduceDetailActivity::class.java)
   .apply {
    putExtra("Name", "Velos")
    putExtra("Enabled", true)
    putExtra("Address", 3130)
})
```



with vs. apply

"with" returns result of lambda

```
val params = layoutParams as RelativeLayout.LayoutParams
val numberOfRules = with(params) {
   alignWithParent = true
   addRule(RelativeLayout.ALIGN_BOTTOM, otherViewId)
   rules.size
}
```

"apply" returns original object

```
layoutParams = params.apply {
   alignWithParent = true
   addRule(RelativeLayout.ALIGN_BOTTOM, otherViewId)
}
```



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15min *Functions*:

- Lambdas
- Extension functions
- Object Expressions
- SAM conversions
- Extensions on collections



Lists





Basic List Functions



Primitive List Operations

```
val numbers = listOf(3, 7, 9, 14)
val biggest = numbers.max()
```



Custom Data for List

```
data class Food(
    val id: Int,
    val price: Double,
    val name: String
)
```



Custom List Operations

```
val mostExpensive = foods.maxBy { food -> food.price }
val lastAlphabetically = foods.maxBy { item ->
   item.name.capitalize() }
```



List Transformations



Changing a List

```
val newItems = foods.sortedByDescending { food -> food.id }
val cheapItems = foods.filter { food -> food.price < 5 }</pre>
```

Creates a new immutable list



Transform List To New Type

```
data class Order(
         val foodId: Int,
         val customerId: Int
)
```

```
fun placeOrders(customerId: Int, orders: List<Food>): List<Order> {
    return orders.map { food -> Order(food.id, customerId) }
}
```



Example: Java Refactor



Java Model Classes

```
public class Food {
    public int id;
    public float price;
    public String name;
public class Order {
    public Order(int foodId, int customerId) {
        this.foodId = foodId;
        this.customerId = customerId;
    public int foodId;
    public int customerId;
```



Initial Implementation

```
public List<Order> orderCheapest(List<Food> menu, int customerId) {
   Collections.sort(menu, new Comparator<Food>() {
        public int compare(final Food first, final Food second) {
            return (int)(first.price - second.price);
   });
   menu.subList(0, 5);
   ArrayList<Order> orders = new ArrayList<>(5);
    for (Food item : menu) {
       Order order = new Order(customerId, item.id);
       orders.add(order);
   return orders;
```

Can you spot the bugs?



Remaining Issues

- Side effects to provided list
- Code bloat
- Mixed APIs
- Requires study



Kotlin Implementation



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15min Collections:

- Introduction
- Filter map
- Flat map
- (Bonus) Max min
- Sort
- (Bonus) GroupBy
- Get used to new style



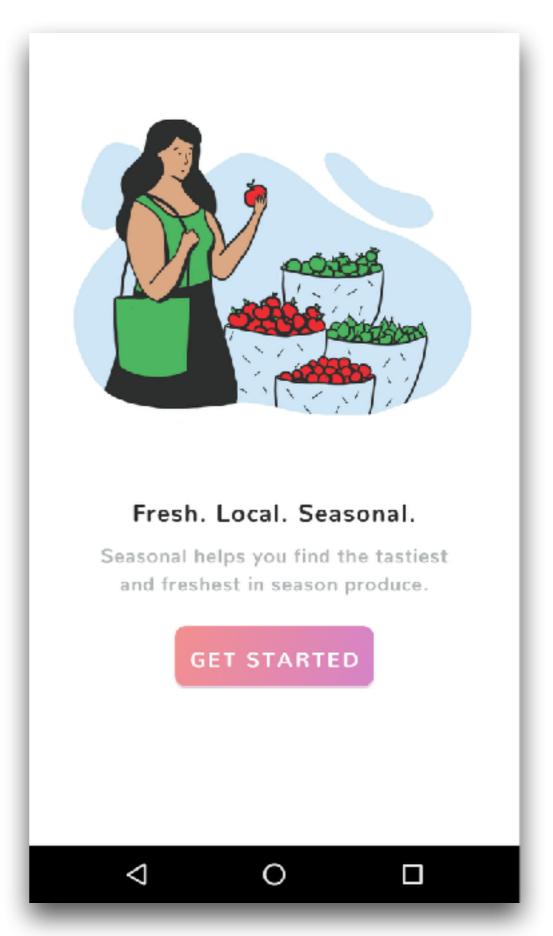
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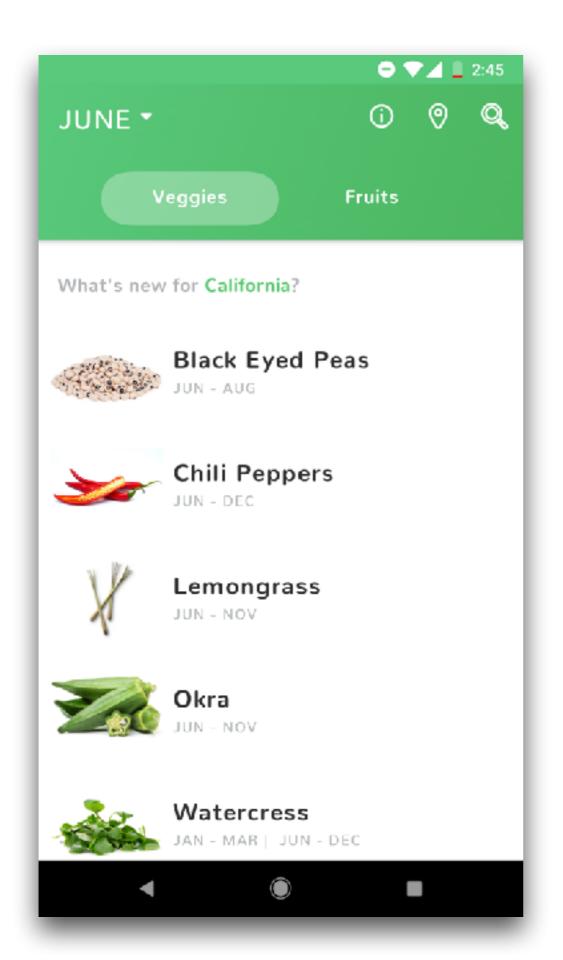


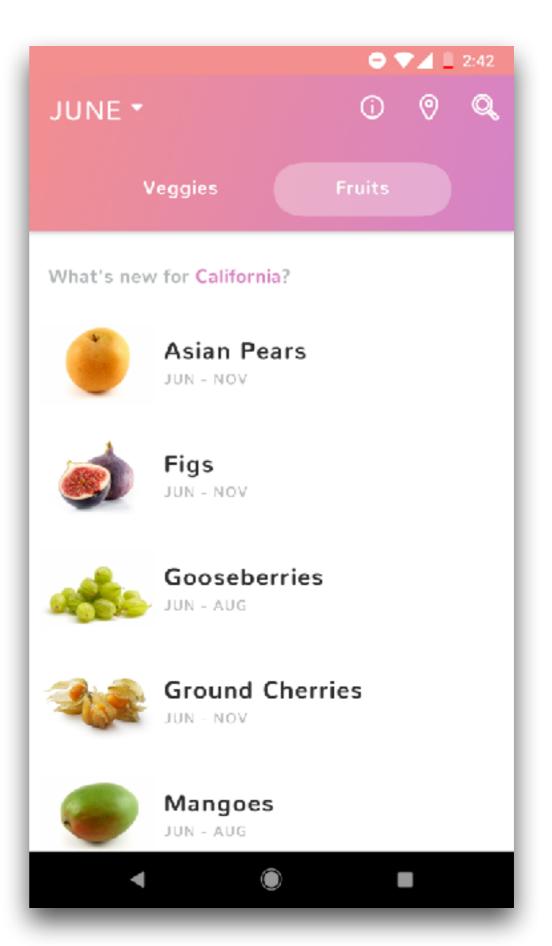
Seasonal

100% Kotlin











Task 0: Setup

- Create New Project (SeasonalClone)
- Include Kotlin Support.
- API 21+
- BasicActivity template
- Run project -> "Hello World!"



github.com/velos/ SeasonalClone/wiki



Recap: Day 1

- Variables and Functions
- Immutability
- Data Classes
- Hierarchies
- Nullability
- Extension Functions
- Lambdas/Higher Order functions
- Collections: Filters and Maps
- Android Task 1

