

Pragmatic
Real-World **Scala**

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Scalable Solutions

If I were to pick a language
to use today other than Java,
it would be **Scala**

James Gosling



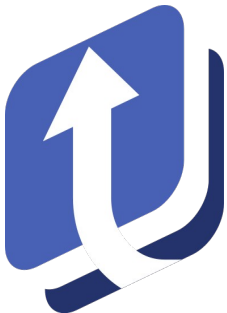
Chat app in Lift

Build a multi-user, comet-based chat app

About 30 lines of code

Three slides worth

Slides By David Pollak, creator of Lift



Define Messages

```
case class Add(who: Actor)
```

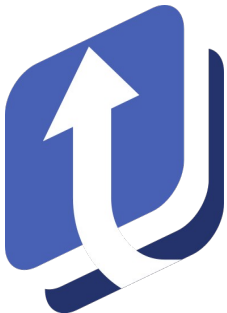
```
case class Remove(who: Actor)
```

```
case class Messages(msgs: List[String])
```



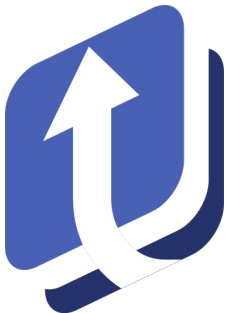
Chat Server

```
object ChatServer extends Actor {  
  private var listeners: List[Actor] = Nil  
  private var msgs: List[String] = Nil  
  def act = loop {  
    react {  
      case s: String =>  
        msgs = s :: msgs  
        listeners.foreach(l => l ! Messages(msgs))  
      case Add(who) =>  
        listeners = who :: listeners  
        who ! Messages(msgs)  
      case Remove(who) => listeners -= who  
    }  
  }  
  this.start  
}
```



Chat Comet Component

```
class Chat extends CometActor {
  private var msgs: List[String] = Nil
  def render =
    <div>
      <ul>{ msgs.reverse.map(m => <li>{ m }</li> ) }</ul>
      { ajaxText("", s => { ChatServer ! s; Noop }) }
    </div>
  override def localSetup = ChatServer ! Add(this)
  override def localShutdown = ChatServer ! Remove(this)
  override def lowPriority = {
    case Messages(m) => msgs = m; reRender(false)
  }
}
```



Demo

Scalable language



Scala

OO + FP



Martin Odersky

Pragmatic

Since 2001

Sponsored by EPFL

Seamless Java interoperability

Friendly and supportive

community

Production

ready

Runs on the JVM

Statically typed

The Scala logo consists of three horizontal red bars of varying lengths, stacked vertically, followed by the word "Scala" in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font.

Scala

is...

Expressive & light-weight

```
val phonebook = Map(  
  "Jonas" -> "123456",  
  "Sara" -> "654321")  
phonebook += ("Jacob" -> "987654")  
println(phonebook("Jonas"))
```

High-level

Java version

```
boolean hasUpperCase = false;
for (int i = 0; i < name.length(); i++) {
    if (Character.isUpperCase(name.charAt(i)))
    {
        hasUpperCase = true;
        break;
    }
}
```

High-level

Scala version

```
val hasUpperCase = name.exists(_.isUpperCase)
```

Concise

// Java

```
public class Person {
    private String name;
    private int age;
    public Person(String name,
                  int age) {
        this.name = name;
        this.age = age;
    }
    public String getName() {
        return name;
    }
    public int getAge() {
        return age;
    }
    public void setName(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }
    public void setAge(age: int) {
        this.age = age;
    }
}
```

// Scala

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

Pure OO

```
1 + 2
```

```
1.+(2)
```

```
123.toString()
```


Extensible

```
val service = actor {  
  loop {  
    receive {  
      case Add(x,y) => reply(x+y)  
      case Sub(x,y) => reply(x-y)  
    }  
  }  
}  
service ! Add(4, 2) → 6
```

Pragmatic

```
def users =  
  <users>  
    <user role="customer">  
      <name>{ user.name }</name>  
      <password>{ user.password }</password>  
      <email>{ user.email }</email>  
    </user>  
    ...  
  </users>
```

Pragmatic

```
users match {  
  case <users>{users @_*}</users> =>  
    for (user <- users)  
      println("User " + (user \ "name").text)  
}
```

Great for DSLs

Apache Camel

```
“direct:a” ==> {  
  loadbalance roundrobin {  
    to (“mock:a”)  
    to (“mock:b”)  
    to (“mock:c”)  
  }  
}
```



Scala is
deep



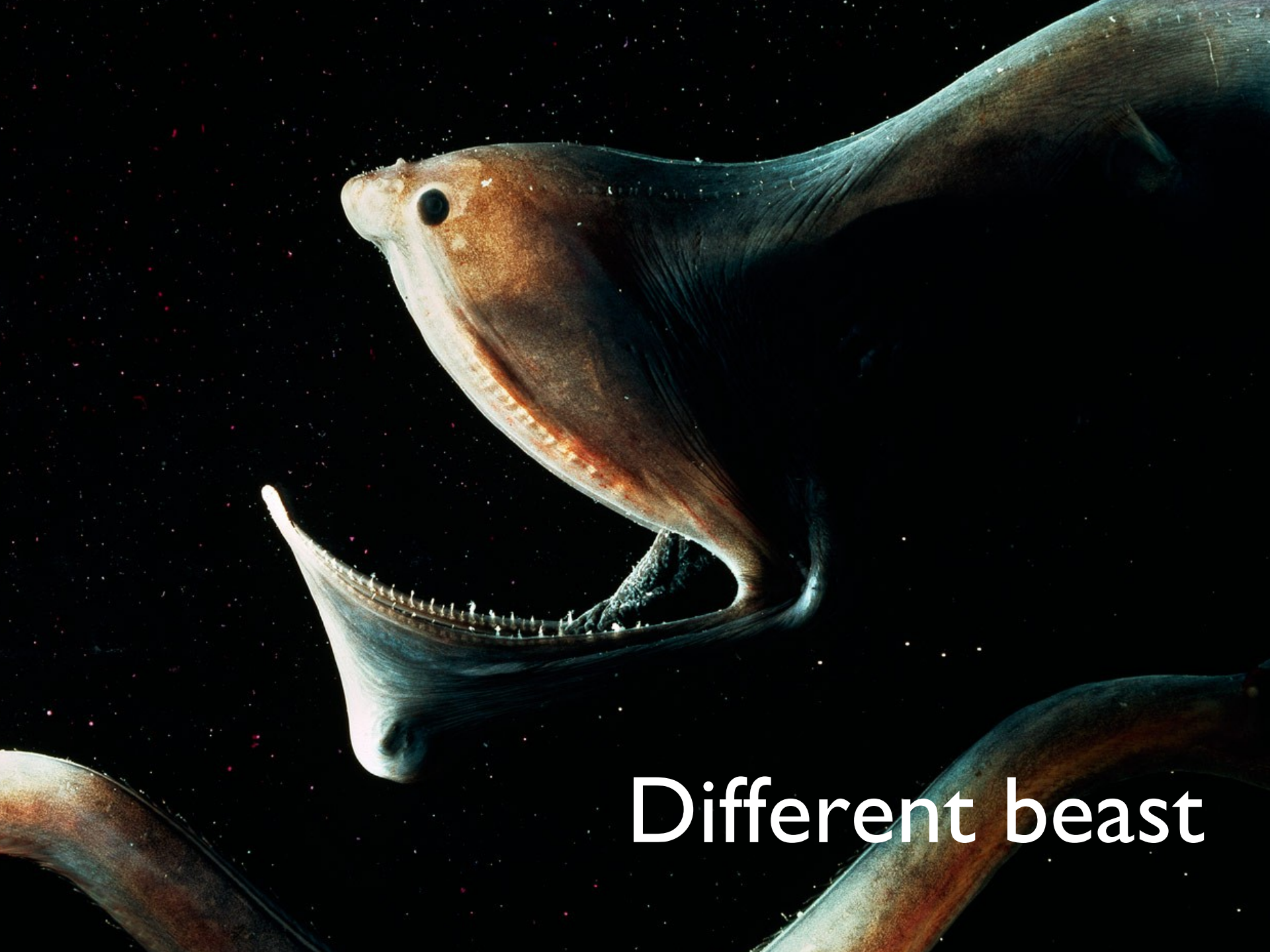
But you **don't** need to go very **deep**
to still have **fun** and be **productive**

Java





Tastier Java



Different beast

Composition

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♩ = 88

Chords: G7, C7, B7, E-, D-7, G7, C7, B7, E-, B7, B-7b5, E7, A7, D7, G7, F7, E7, Bb7, A7, Eb7, D7, Ab7

(ENDING) G7

Composition

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in large



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building blocks

Traits

&

Self-type annotations

Trait

```
trait Dad {  
  private var children: List[Child] = Nil  
  
  def addChild(child: Child) =  
    children = child :: children  
  
  def getChildren = children.clone  
}
```

Base

```
class Man(val name: String) extends Human
```


Plumbing

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Static mixin composition

```
class Man(val name: String) extends Human with Dad
```

Static mixin composition

usage

```
class Man(val name: String) extends Human with Dad
```

```
val jonas = new Man("Jonas")  
jonas.addChild(new Child("Jacob"))
```

Dynamic mixin composition

```
val jonas = new Man("Jonas") with Dad
```

Dynamic mixin composition usage

```
val jonas = new Man("Jonas") with Dad
```

```
jonas.addChild(new Child("Jacob"))
```

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different type of **traits**



Rich interface

```
trait RichIterable[A] {  
  def iterator: Iterator[A] // contract method  
  
  def foreach(f: A => Unit) = {  
    val iter = iterator  
    while (iter.hasNext) f(iter.next)  
  }  
  
  def foldLeft[B](seed: B)(f: (B, A) => B) = {  
    var result = seed  
    foreach(e => result = f(result, e))  
    result  
  }  
}
```

Rich interface

```
val richSet =  
  new java.util.HashSet[Int]  
  with RichIterable[Int]  
  
richSet.add(1)  
richSet.add(2)  
  
richSet.foldLeft(0)((x, y) => x + y)  
  → 3
```


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Stackable modifications

```
trait IgnoreCaseSet
  extends java.util.Set[String] {

  abstract override def add(e: String) = {
    super.add(e.toLowerCase)
  }
  abstract override def contains(e: String) = {
    super.contains(e.toLowerCase)
  }
  abstract override def remove(e: String) = {
    super.remove(e.toLowerCase)
  }
}
```

Stackable modifications

```
val set =  
    new java.util.HashSet[String]  
    with IgnoreCaseSet  
  
set.add("HI THERE") // uppercase  
  
set.contains("hi there") // lowercase  
    → true
```

Add another trait interceptor

```
trait LoggableSet
  extends java.util.Set[String] {

  abstract override def add(e: String) = {
    println("Add :“ + e)
    super.add(e)
  }

  abstract override def remove(e: String) = {
    println("Remove :“ + e)
    super.remove(e)
  }
}
```

Run the stack of interceptors

```
val set =  
    new java.util.HashSet[String]  
    with IgnoreCaseSet  
    with LoggableSet  
  
set.add("HI THERE")  
    → "Add: HI THERE"
```

Prints in **uppercase**

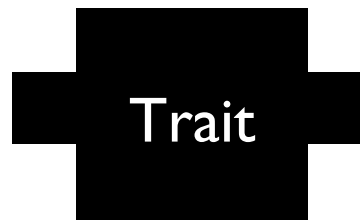
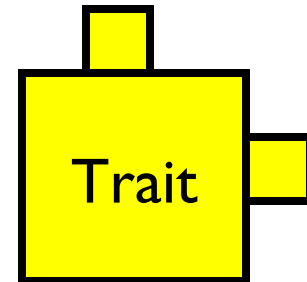
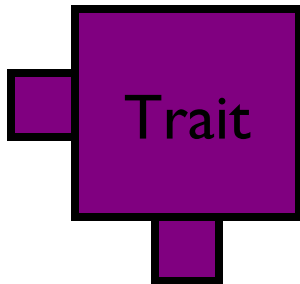
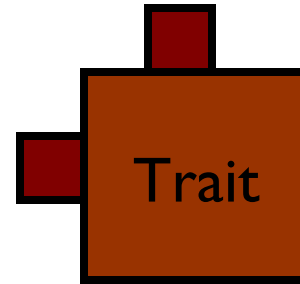
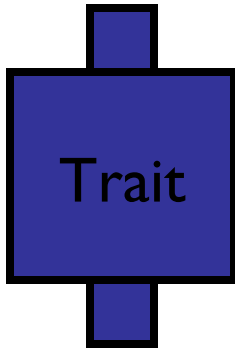
Change the order

```
val set =  
    new java.util.HashSet[String]  
    with LoggableSet  
    with IgnoreCaseSet  
  
set.add("HI THERE")  
    → "Add: hi there"
```

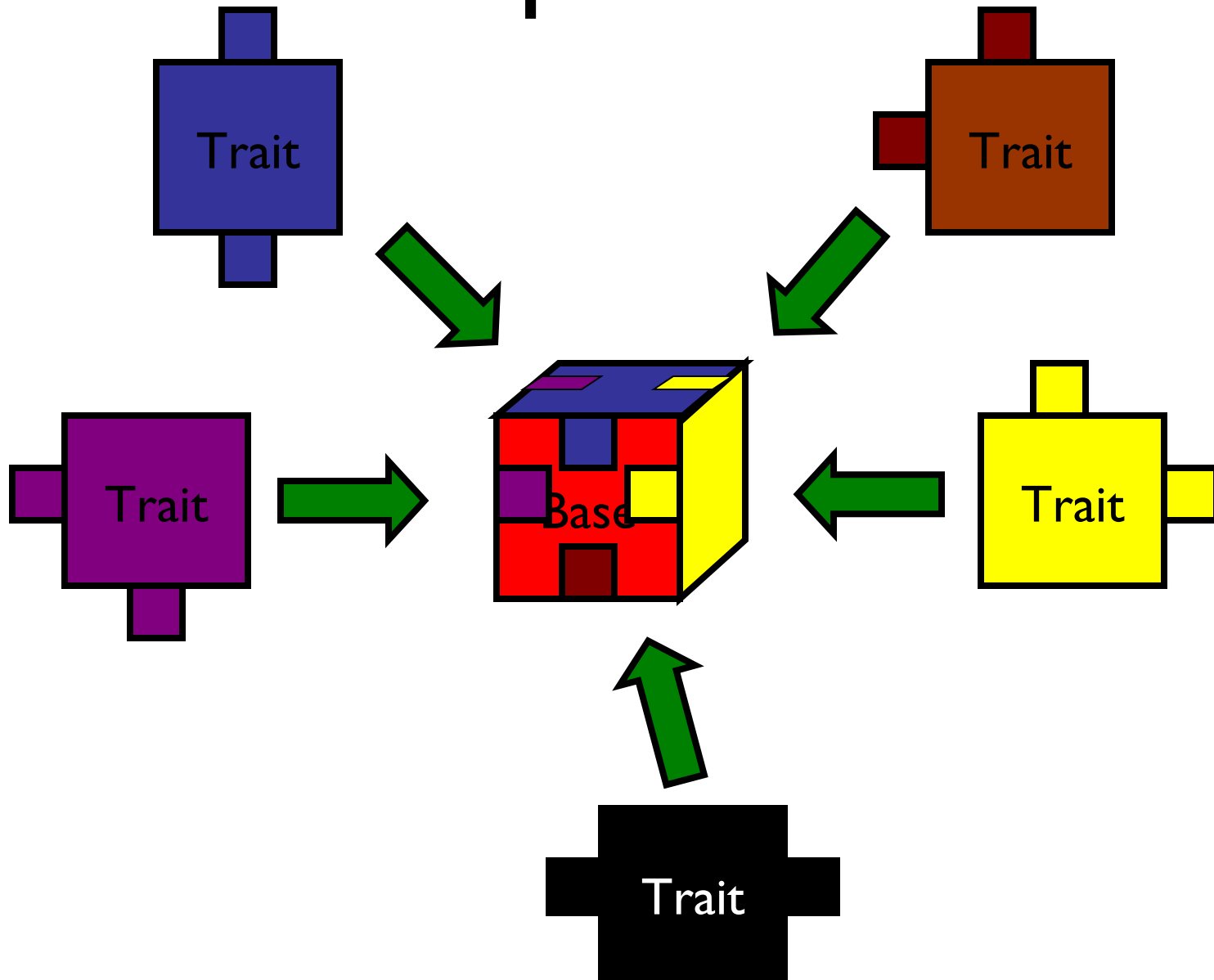
Prints in lowercase

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Multiple views



Multiple views

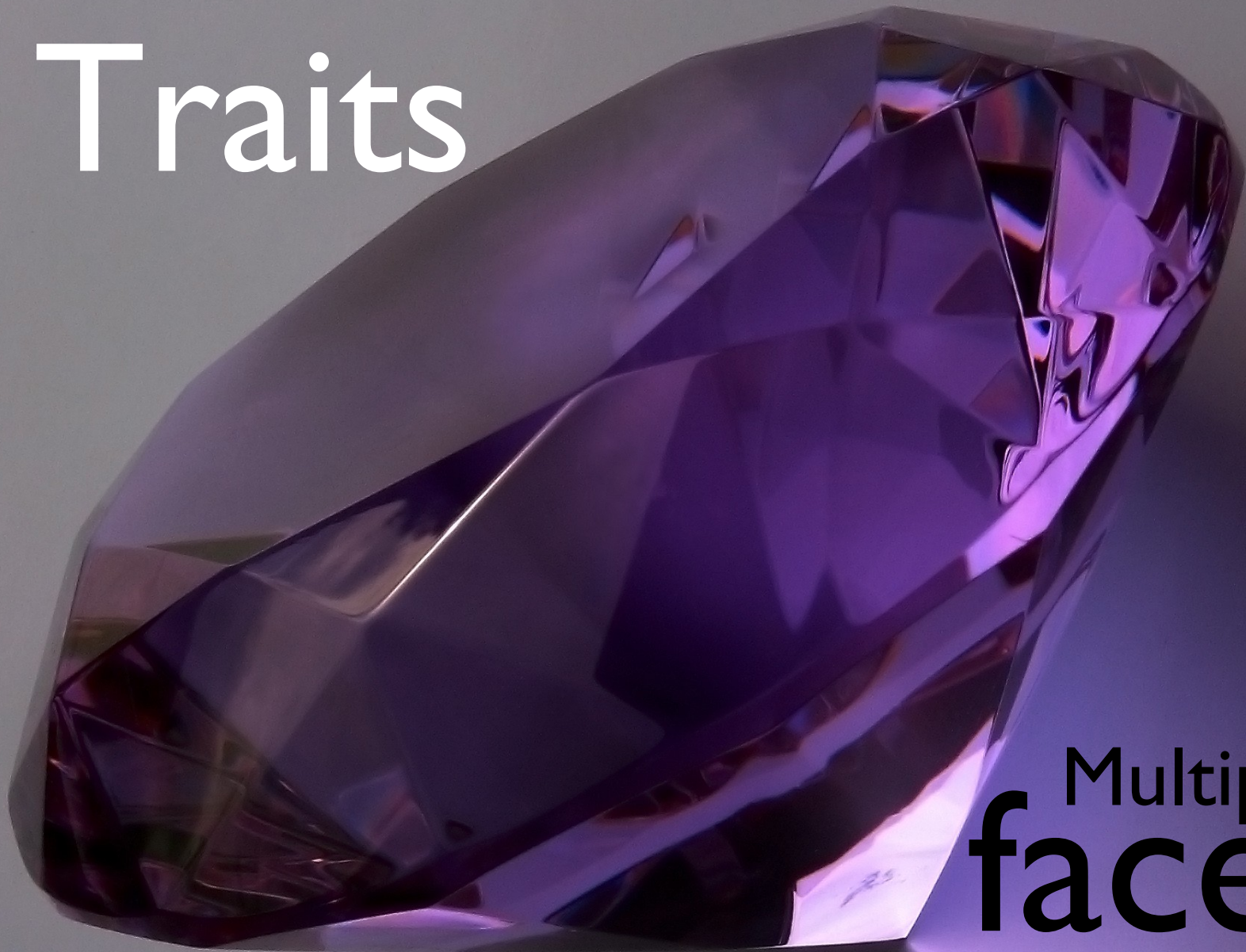


Traits

Multiple
personalities



Traits



Multiple
facets

Base

```
class Order(val cust: Customer)
```

Facets

```
trait Entity { ... }  
trait InventoryItemSet { ... }  
trait Invoicable { ... }  
trait PurchaseLimiter { ... }  
trait MailNotifier { ... }  
trait ACL { ... }  
trait Versioned { ... }  
trait Transactional { ... }
```

Composition

```
val order = new Order(customer)
  with Entity
  with InventoryItemSet
  with Invoicable
  with PurchaseLimiter
  with MailNotifier
  with ACL
  with Versioned
  with Transactional
```


Modules / Namespaces



Modules

```
object Module {  
  ...  
}
```

...are effectively singletons

Modules

```
trait UserRepository { ... }  
trait CartRepository { ... }
```

```
object Persistence extends Layer  
  with UserRepository  
  with CartRepository  
  ...
```

...can be composed of traits

Glue it together

```
trait UserRepositoryComponent {  
  val userRepository = new UserRepository  
  class UserRepository { ... }  
}
```

```
trait UserServiceComponent {  
  val userService = new UserService  
  class UserService {  
    def authenticate(name: String, pwd: String) =  
      userRepository.authenticate(name, pwd)  
  }  
}
```

450g cherry tomatoes
1 small aubergine
2 medium courgettes
1 small red pepper
1 small bulb fennel
1 large onion
1 garlic bulb
fresh basil leaves

110g feta (goats cheese)
1x 75g packet mixed salad leaves
1 lime
tomato purée

2 x packets small brown rolls (sold in
packs of 12 I think).

What do we
need?

We need the userRepository

```
userRepository.authenticate(name, pwd)
```

DI

this : <deps> =>

Dependency declaration

```
trait UserService {  
  this: UserRepository =>  
  ...  
  // provided with composition  
  userRepository.merge(user)  
}
```

...using **self-type** annotation



scala dependency injection

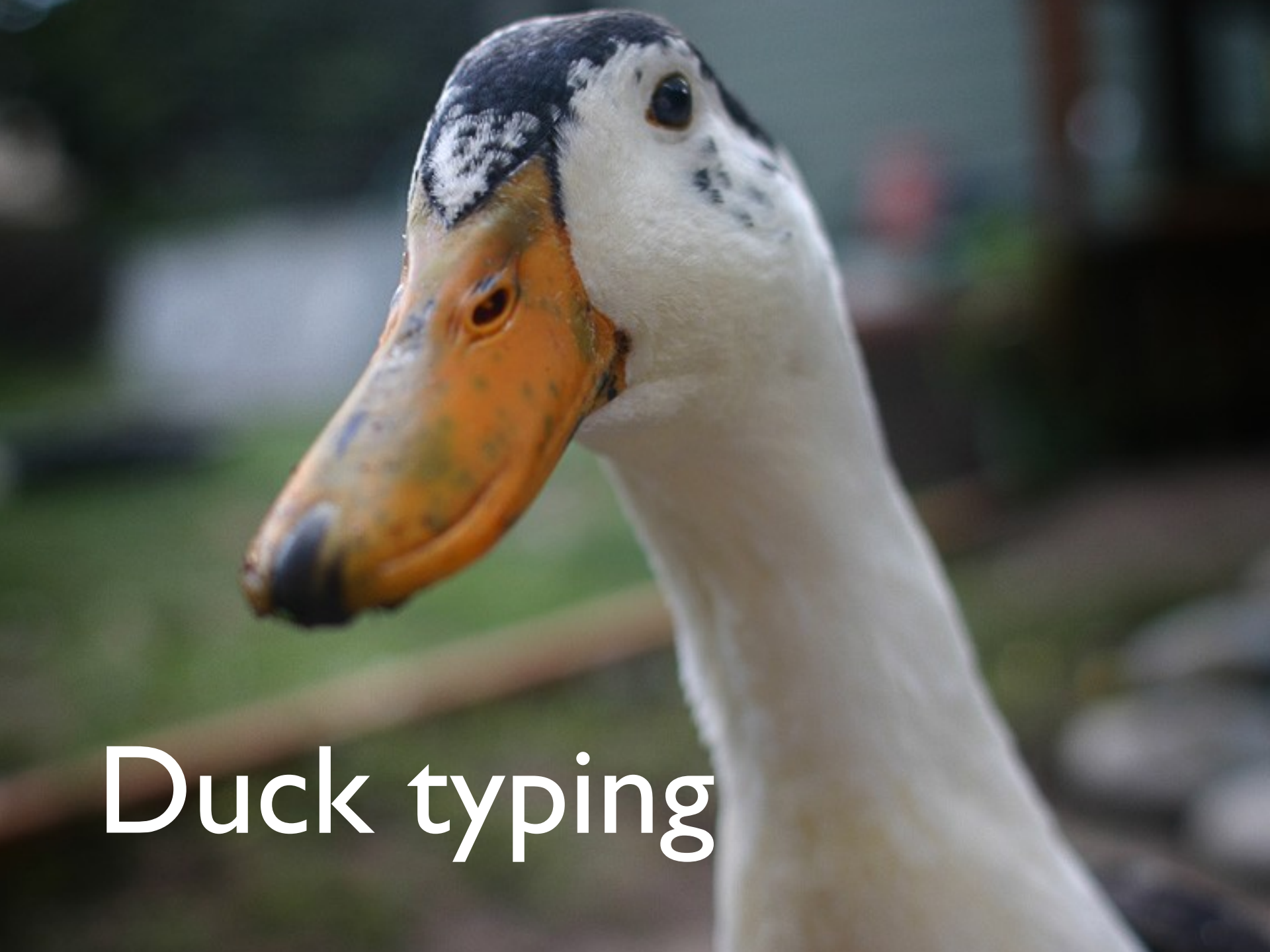
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Duck typing



if it **walks** like a duck

and **talks** like a duck

then **it's a duck**

Duck typing

Structural Typing:

Duck-typing done right

```
def authorize(target: { def getACL: ACL }) = {  
  val acl = target.getACL  
  ... //authorize  
}
```

Statically enforced

Composition

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in small

(Example) G7

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“It's Time to Get Good at Functional Programming”

Dr Dobb's Journal
Issue December 2008





What's
all the
buzz
about?

Deterministic

High-level

Reusable

FP

Referentially
transparent

Immutable

Declarative

Orthogonal



FP is like

Lego



Small reusable pieces

with **input**

and **output**

Unix pipes

```
cat File | grep 'println' | wc
```

Functions

```
(x: Int) => x + 1
```

Functions as **values**

```
val inc = (x: Int) => x + 1
```

```
inc(1) → 2
```

Functions as **parameters** high-order

```
List(1, 2, 3).map((x: Int) => x + 1)
```

```
→ List(2, 3, 4)
```

Functions as parameters

with sugar

```
List(1, 2, 3).map((x: Int) => x + 1)
```

```
List(1, 2, 3).map(x => x + 1)
```

```
List(1, 2, 3).map(_ + 1)
```

Functions as closures

```
val addMore = (x: Int) => x + more
```

What is **more**?

A **free** variable **outside** the function's lexical **scope**

```
var more = 7  
val addMore = (x: Int) => x + more
```

```
addMore(3) → 10
```

```
more = 8
```

```
addMore(3) → 11
```

Partial application

Currying

```
val add = (x: Int, y: Int) => x + y
```

```
val add2 = add(2, _: Int)
```

```
add2(3) → 5
```

Functional

Data Structures

Immutable



Recursive

The almighty

List

Lists

Grow at the front

Insert at front $\rightarrow O(1)$

Insert at end $\rightarrow O(n)$

List creation

```
List(1, 2, 3)
```

```
1 :: 2 :: 3 :: Nil
```


Basics

```
val list = List(1, 2, 3)
```

```
list.head → 1
```

```
list.tail → List(2, 3)
```

```
list.isEmpty → false
```

High-level operations

```
val list = List(1, 2, 3)
list.map(_ + 1)           → List(2, 3, 4)
list.filter(_ < 2)       → List(1)
list.exists(_ == 3)      → true
list.drop(2)             → List(3)
list.reverse             → List(3, 2, 1)
list.sort(_ > _)         → List(3, 2, 1)
List.flatten(list)       → List(1, 2, 3)
list.slice(2, 3)         → List(3)
...
```

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functions defined on **List**

Tuples

```
def getNameAndAge: Tuple2[String, Int] = {  
  val name = ...  
  val age = ...  
  (name, age)  
}
```

```
val (name, age) = getNameAndAge  
println("Name: " + name)  
println("Age: " + age)
```

Other

functional data structures:

Sets

Trees

Stacks

for

comprehensions

```
for (n <- names)  
  println(n)
```

Like SQL queries

```
for {  
  att <- attendees  
  if att.name == "Fred"  
  lang <- att.spokenLanguages  
  if lang == "Danish"  
} println(att)
```

Find all attendees named Fred that speaks Danish

for / yield

```
val companiesForAttendeesFromLondon =  
  for {  
    att <- attendees  
    if att.address.city == "London"  
  } yield att.company
```


Everything returns a value

```
for (thing <- thingsFromHere)  
yield getRealThing(thing)
```

Everything returns a value

```
val things =  
  for (thing <- thingsFromHere)  
  yield getRealThing(thing)
```

Everything returns a value

```
if (fromHere) {  
  for (thing <- thingsFromHere)  
    yield getRealThing(thing)  
} else {  
  for (thing <- thingsFromThere)  
    yield thing  
}
```

Everything returns a value

```
val things =  
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    for (thing <- thingsFromHere)  
      yield getRealThing(thing)  
  } else {  
    for (thing <- thingsFromThere)  
      yield thing  
  }
```

Everything returns a value

```
try {  
  if (fromHere) {  
    for (thing <- thingsFromHere)  
      yield getRealThing(thing)  
  } else {  
    for (thing <- thingsFromThere)  
      yield thing  
  }  
} catch {  
  case e => error(e); Nil  
}
```

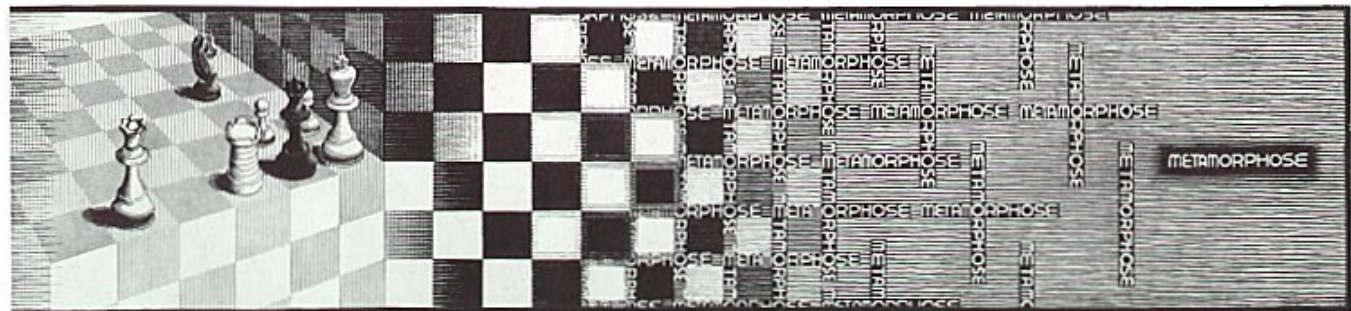
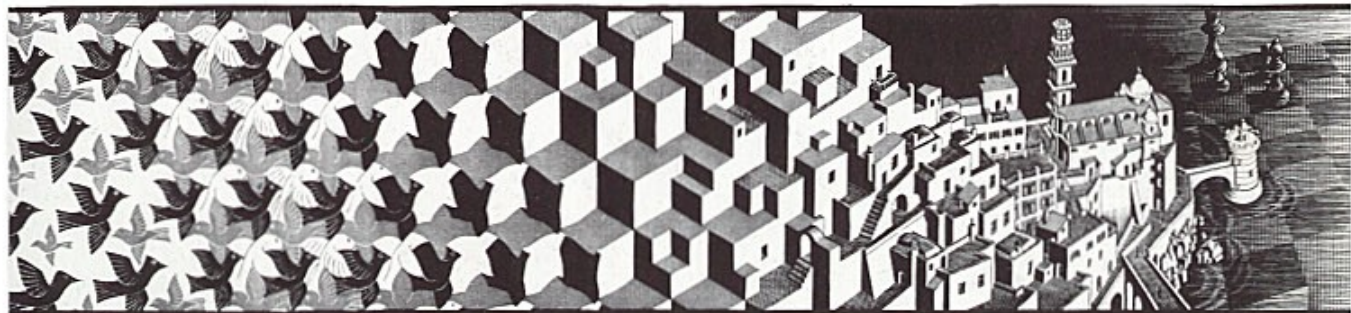
Everything returns a value

```
val things =  
  try {  
    if (fromHere) {  
      for (thing <- thingsFromHere)  
        yield getRealThing(thing)  
    } else {  
      for (thing <- thingsFromThere)  
        yield thing  
    }  
  } catch {  
    case e => error(e); Nil  
  }
```

Everything returns a value

```
def getThingsFromSomewhere(
  fromHere: Boolean): List[Thing] = {
  try {
    if (fromHere) {
      for (thing <- thingsFromHere)
        yield getRealThing(thing)
    } else {
      for (thing <- thingsFromThere)
        yield thing
    }
  } catch {
    case e => error(e); Nil
  }
}
```

Pattern matching



Pattern matching

```
def matchAny(a: Any): Any = a match {  
  case 1                => "one"  
  case "two"           => 2  
  case i: Int          => "scala.Int"  
  case <tag>{ t }</tag> => t  
  case head :: tail   => head  
  case _              => "default"  
}
```

Case classes

```
// compiler adds: toString(), hashCode(),  
// equals() + companion object with apply()  
sealed abstract case class Man  
case class Bill(age: Int) extends Man  
case class Ben(age: Int) extends Man
```

```
val guy = Ben(45)  
guy match {  
  case Bill(age) => println("Bill " + age)  
  case Ben(age) =>  println("Ben " + age)  
}
```

Persistence

JPA

```
@Entity
@Inheritance {
    val strategy = InheritanceType.JOINED
}
@DiscriminatorColumn {
    val name = "portfolio_item_type",
    val discriminatorType =
        DiscriminatorType.STRING
}
@serializable
class Portfolio(...) {
    ...
}
```

JPA cont.

```
class Portfolio(...) {  
    @Id  
    @GeneratedValue {  
        val strategy = GenerationType.IDENTITY  
    }  
    val id: PortfolioId = _id  
  
    @ManyToOne  
    @JoinColumn { val name = "strategy_id" }  
    val strategy: Strategy = _strategy  
  
    ...  
}
```

Actors

Message-Passing

Concurrency

Immutability

STM

MVCC

Fault tolerance

Scala OTP

Supervisor hierarchies

Linked actors

All For One

One For One

Tools



Tools: scala/bin

scala

scalac

fsc

scaladoc

sbaz

Tools: IDEs

Eclipse

NetBeans

Intelij IDEA

Emacs

JEdit

Tools: Building

Maven

Ant

Buildr

SBT (Simple Build Tool)

Tools: Testing

Specs

ScalaCheck

ScalaTest

ScalaCheck

```
object stringSpec extends Properties("String") {  
  specify("startsWith",  
    (a: String, b: String) => (a + b).startsWith(a))  
  
  specify("endsWith",  
    (a: String, b: String) => (a + b).endsWith(b))  
  
  ...  
}
```

Specs: **mocking**

```
object sendSpec extends Spec with JMocker {  
  "A Send service" should {  
    "publish data" in {  
      val mock = mock[Mailer]  
      expect {  
        one(mock).send(any[Mail])  
      }  
      val sendService = new SendService(mock)  
      sendService.publishData  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Frameworks: Web

Lift

Sweet

Slinky

Pinky

(selected) Libraries

Scalax

Scalaz

Configgy

Kestrel

Scala OTP

Domain Specific Languages



I. Flexible syntax

```
// from Apache Camel Scala DSL
class MyRouteBuilder extends RouteBuilder {
  "direct:a" --> "mock:a"
  "direct:b" to  "mock:b"
}
```

I. Flexible syntax

```
// from Apache Camel Scala DSL
class MyRouteBuilder extends RouteBuilder {
  "direct:a".-->("mock:a")
  "direct:b".to("mock:b")
}
```


2. Implicit

```
// from Apache Camel Scala DSL
class MyRouteBuilder extends RouteBuilder {
  "direct:a" --> "mock:a"
  "direct:b" to  "mock:b"
}
```

how can they invoke a method `-->` on String?

2. Implicit

```
implicit def stringToRoute(route: String)  
  = new CamelRoute(str)
```

```
class CamelRoute(route: String) {  
  def -->(route: String) = { ... }  
  def to(route: String) = { ... }  
}
```

allows you to define methods on existing classes

2. Implicits

```
// from Apache Camel Scala DSL
class MyRouteBuilder extends RouteBuilder {
  (new CamelRoute("direct:a")).-->("mock:a")
  (new CamelRoute("direct:b")).to("mock:b")
}
```

Compiler generation

3. Operator overloading

```
class CamelRoute(route: String) {  
  ...  
  // unification of two routes  
  def == (route: String): Route = { ... }  
}
```

```
“direct:a” == “mock:a”
```

4: Call-by-name

```
def myAssert1(predicate: () => Boolean) =  
  if (assertionsEnabled && !predicate())  
    throw new AssertionError
```

```
myAssert1(() => 5 > 3) // ok, but ugly
```

```
def myAssert2(predicate: => Boolean) =  
  if (assertionsEnabled && !predicate)  
    throw new AssertionError
```

```
myAssert2(5 > 3) // like build into lang
```


5.

Parser

combinators

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