



Effective

Scala

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What we do @ Typesafe

- Scala, Akka, Play!, Scala IDE, SBT, Slick, etc.
- Open Source under Apache License v2
- Akka - Scala *and* Java API
- Play! - Scala *and* Java API
- Subscriptions are how we roll

Effective Scala is

“Optimizing your use of the Scala programming language to solve real-world problems without explosions, broken thumbs or bullet wounds”

- Josh Suereth

Agenda

- Basic Stuff
- Object Orientation
- Implicits
- Type Traits
- Collections
- Pattern Matching
- Functional Programming

DA BASICZ

Use the REPL

Become friends with the REPL. It will become a rewarding relationship.

```
> ./scala_home/bin/scala  
Welcome to Scala version 2.x ...  
> println("Hello, world!")  
Hello, world!  
>
```

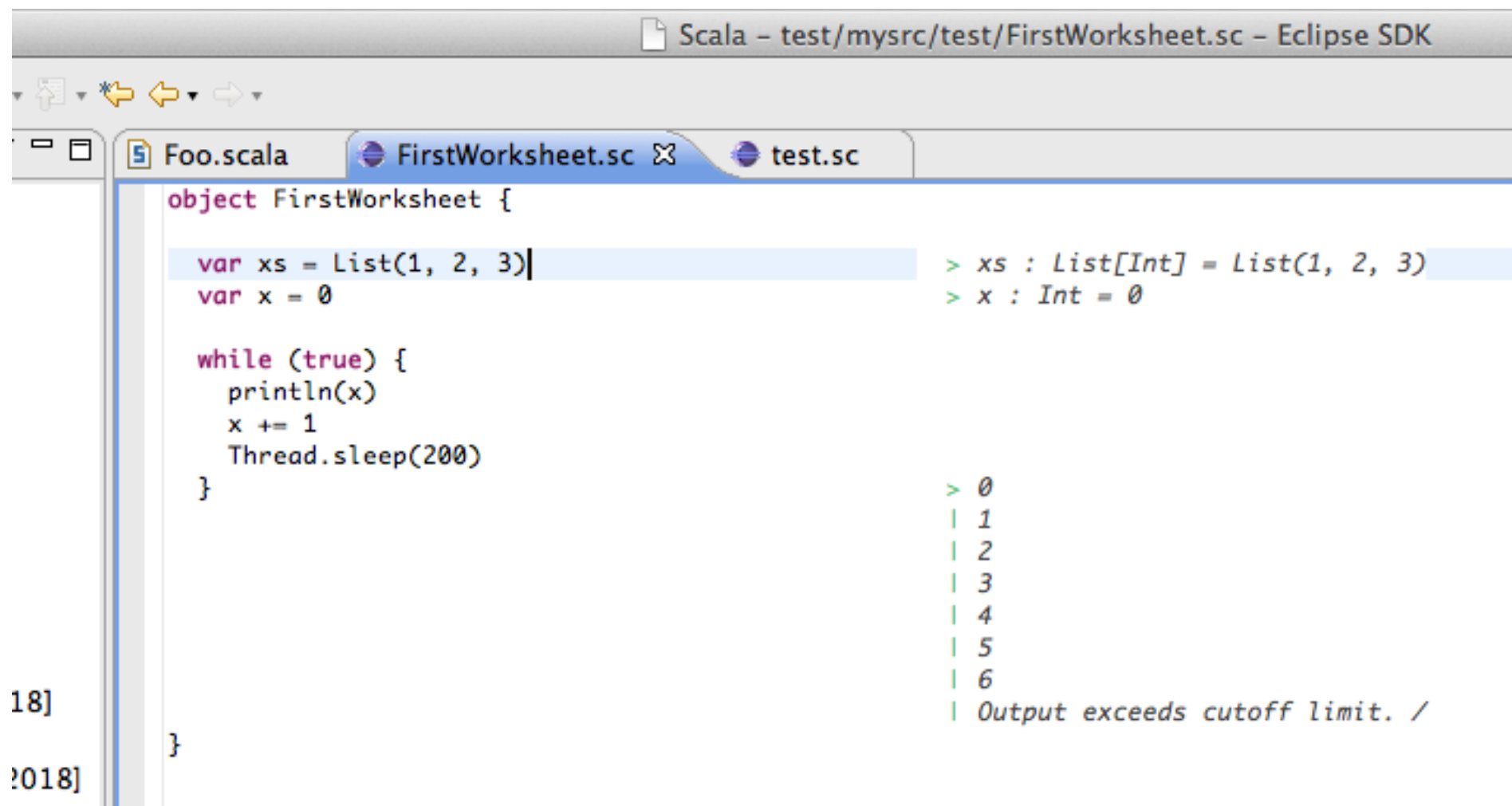
REPL and JARs

Put JARs in scala_home/lib to get access -
it is an awesome way to explore a new API

```
> ./scala_home/bin/scala  
Welcome to Scala version 2.x ...  
> import x.y.z.TheClass  
> val instance = new TheClass  
> instance.theMethod
```


REPL 2013

- IDE Worksheet
 - Eclipse : awesome
 - IntelliJ : okay



```
Scala - test/mysrc/test/FirstWorksheet.sc - Eclipse SDK

Foo.scala FirstWorksheet.sc test.sc

object FirstWorksheet {
  var xs = List(1, 2, 3)
  var x = 0

  while (true) {
    println(x)
    x += 1
    Thread.sleep(200)
  }
}

> xs : List[Int] = List(1, 2, 3)
> x : Int = 0

> 0
| 1
| 2
| 3
| 4
| 5
| 6
| Output exceeds cutoff limit. /
```

Expressions & Statements

Java

```
String result = null;  
if (z < 9) result = "<9" else result = ">=9";  
System.out.println("Result:" + result);
```

Scala

```
println("Result:" + if (z < 9) "<9" else ">=9"))
```

In Scala everything can be expressed as an expression

Expressions & Statements

Remove temp variables

```
val result =  
  try {  
    100000 / divisor  
  } catch {  
    case e:Exception => 0  
  }  
  
println("Your salary is: " + result)
```

Statement Pop Quiz

What type is variable quiz?

```
var x = 1
val quiz = while(x < 10) {
  println("X is: " + x)
  x += 1
}
```

Fishing Instructions

Don't tell it how to fish!

```
def findPeopleInCity(  
  city: String,  
  people: Seq[People]): Set[People] = {  
  val found =  
    new scala.collection.mutable.HashSet[People]()  
  for (p <- people) {  
    for (a <- p.address) {  
      if (a.city == city) {  
        found.put(p)  
      }  
    }  
  }  
  found  
}
```

Just order fish

```
def findPeopleInCity(  
  city: String,  
  people: Seq[People]): Set[People] = {  
  for {  
    p <- people.toSet[People]  
    a <- p.addresses  
    if a.city == city  
  } yield p  
}
```

SQL like syntax:

FROM people p, address a

WHERE p.addresses = a

AND a.city = 'London'

SELECT p

Stay Immutable

Mutable safe code => cloning

Performance degradation!

```
class FootballPlayer {  
  private var cars = Array[Car]()  
  
  def setCars(c: Array[Car]): Unit =  
    cars = c.clone  
  
  def getCars: Array[Car] =  
    cars.clone  
}
```

Stay Immutable

Safer code - use an immutable collection

```
class FootballPlayer {  
  private var cars = Vector[Car]()  
  
  def setCars(c: Array[Car]): Unit = { cars = c }  
  
  def getCars: Array[Car] = cars  
}
```


Case Classes

Make the whole class immutable

```
> case class Car(brand: String)
> case class FootballPlayer(name: String, team: String,
  cars: Vector[Car] = Vector.empty)

> var player = FootballPlayer("Thierry Henry", "Arsenal")
> player.toString
FootballPlayer(Thierry Henry, Arsenal, Vector())

> player = player.copy(cars = Vector(Car("Porsche")))
> player.toString
FootballPlayer(Thierry Henry, Arsenal,
  Vector(Car(Porsche)))
```

Immutable Class Benefits

- Simple equality
- Simple hashCode
- No need to lock
- No defensive copying

Scala Case Classes

- *Automatic* equality
- *Automatic* hashCode (MurmurHash)

Local Mutability

This is almost okay... more information about Seq later

```
import scala.collection.mutable.ArrayBuffer

def theData: Seq[Int] {
  val buffer = new ArrayBuffer[Int]
  populateData(buffer)
  buffer.toSeq
}
```

Use Option

Let's play the null game

```
def authenticate(user: String, pwd: String):  
  Privileges = {  
    if (user == null || pwd == null || user.isEmpty ||  
        pwd.isEmpty || (!canAuthenticate(user, pwd)) {  
      withPrivileges(Anonymous)  
    } else {  
      privilegesFor(user)  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Hello there “Option wall”

```
def authenticate(  
  user: Option[String],  
  pwd: Option[String]): Privileges = {  
  val privileges: Option[Privileges] =  
    for {  
      u <- user  
      p <- pwd  
      if (!u.isEmpty && !p.isEmpty)  
      if canAuthenticate(u, p)  
    } yield privilegesFor(u)  
  
  privileges.getOrElse withPrivileges(Anonymous)  
}
```

OBJECT ORIENTATION

val for abstract members

Don't!

```
trait SquaredShape {  
  val width: Int  
  val height: Int  
  val area: Int = width * height  
}  
  
class Rectangle(w: Int, h: Int) extends SquaredShape {  
  override val width = w  
  override val height = h  
}  
  
> val r1 = new Rectangle(1, 314)  
> r1.height  
res0: Int = 314  
> r1.area  
res1: Int = 0
```

def is much better

Programmer power => val, var, def

```
trait SquaredShape {  
  def width: Int  
  def height: Int  
  def area: Int = width * height  
}  
  
class Rectangle(w: Int, h: Int) extends SquaredShape {  
  override val width = w  
  override val height = h  
}  
  
// or even better  
  
case class Rect(width: Int, height: Int)  
  extends SquaredShape
```


Annotate it

Annotate API or non-trivial return types
(if not *you* have to “compile” the code)

```
def convert(x: Int) = x match {  
  case 1 => 1.toChar  
  case 2 => true  
  case z => z.toByte  
}
```

```
def convert(x: Int): AnyVal = ...
```

Document it

A common use -

document existential property

```
trait Person {  
  def name: String  
  def age: Option[Int]  
}
```

Composition and Inheritance

- Composition preferred over Inheritance
 - easier to modify (e.g. dependency injection)
- Composition can use Inheritance in Scala
- Leads to the famous cake pattern

Let's bake a cake

```
trait UserRepositoryComponent {  
  def userLocator: UserLocator  
  def userUpdater: UserUpdater  
  trait UserLocator {  
    def findAll: Vector[User]  
  }  
  trait UserUpdater {  
    def save(user: User)  
  }  
}
```

Baking in progress

```
trait JPAUserRepositoryComponent extends
  UserRepositoryComponent {
  def em: EntityManager
  def userLocator = new JPAUserLocator(em)
  def userUpdater = new JPAUserUpdater(em)

  class JPAUserLocator(em: EntityManager) extends
    UserLocator {
      def findAll: Vector[User] =
        em.createQuery("from User", classOf[User]).
          getResultList.toVector
    }
  class JPAUserUpdater(em: EntityManager) extends
    UserUpdater {
      def save(user: User) = em.persist(user)
    }
}
```

Service Layer

```
trait UserServiceComponent {  
  def userService: UserService  
  trait UserService {  
    def findAll: Vector[User]  
    def save(user: User)  
    def checkStatusOf(user: User): String  
  }  
}
```

Service Layer Impl

```
trait DefaultUserServiceComponent extends
  UserServiceComponent {
  this: UserRepositoryComponent =>
  def userService = new DefaultUserService

  class DefaultUserService extends UserService {
    def findAll = userLocator.findAll
    def save(user: User) = userUpdater.save(user)
    def checkStatus(user: User) =
      s"User $user seems okay to me"
  }
}
```

Use it

```
object TheApplication extends Application {  
  val componentService =  
    new DefaultUserServiceComponent with  
      JPAUserRepositoryComponent {  
      def em =  
        Persistence.createEntityManagerFactory(  
          "cake").createEntityManager()  
    }  
  val service = componentService.userService  
  // ...  
}
```


Test it

```
class MyTest extends WordSpec with MustMatchers with
  Mockito {
  trait MockedEM {
    def em = mock[EntityManager]
    // ...
  }
  "service" must {
    "return all users" in {
      val componentService =
        new DefaultUserServiceComponent
        with JPAUserRepositoryComponent
        with MockedEM
      // Perform the test
    }
  }
}
```

Thanks to @markglh for the Cake example.

Read more great Scala stuff at www.cakesolutions.net/teamblogs

IMPLICIT

What is it good for?

- Removes boilerplate within a specific context
 - compile time safety
 - must be unambiguous

Implicits Example

```
trait AutoRepository {  
  def find(regId: String)(implicit dbId: DBId):  
    Option[Car]  
  def findAll(country: String)(implicit dbId: DBID):  
    Seq[Car]  
}  
  
class DefaultAutoRepository extends AutoRepository {  
  def find(regId: String)(implicit dbId: DBId):  
    Option[Car] = { // ... }  
  def findAll(country: String)(implicit dbId: DBID):  
    Seq[Car] = { // ... }  
}
```

Implicits Example

```
class CarFinder {  
  val dbld = Dbld("Dealer1")  
  
  def findCar(regId: String): Option[Car] = {  
    val car = repo.find(regId)(dbld)  
    // ...  
  }  
  
  def listCars(country: String): Seq[Car] = {  
    val cars = repo.findAll(country)(dbld)  
    // ...  
  }  
}
```

Implicits Example

```
class CarFinder {  
  implicit val dbId = DbId("Dealer1")  
  
  def findCar(regId: String): Option[Car] = {  
    val car = repo.find(regId)  
    // ...  
  }  
  
  def listCars(country: String): Seq[Car] = {  
    val cars = repo.findAll(country)  
    // ...  
  }  
}
```

Compiler workout

- **Implicits Scope**
 - Lexical
 - current scope, explicit import, wildcard imports
 - Companions of parts of the type
 - companion of types, companion of types of arguments, outer objects of nested types, package objects
 - Can be expensive in compile time!
 - Use it with care

Implicit Values

```
trait Logger { def log(msg: String) }  
  
object Logger {  
  implicit object DefaultLogger extends Logger {  
    def log(msg: String) = println("DL> " + msg)  
  }  
  def log(msg: String)(implicit logger: Logger) = {  
    logger.log(msg)  
  }  
}
```


Implicit Values

```
> Logger.log("a small test")
```

```
DL> a small test
```

```
> class MyLogger extends Logger {  
  def log(msg: String) = println("my>>> " + msg)  
}
```

```
> implicit def myLogger = new MyLogger
```

```
> Logger.log("yet another test")
```

```
my>>> yet another test
```

Implicit Wisdom?

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Debugging #scala implicits
is like trying to find the farter
in a crowded room

TYPE TRAITS

a.k.a Type Classes

“describes generic interfaces using type parameters such that the implementations can be created for any type”

```
trait Encodable[T] {  
  def from(t: T): String  
  def to(s: String): T  
}  
  
object Encodable {  
  implicit object IntEncoder extends Encodable[Int] {  
    def from(i: Int): String = "int" + i  
    def to(s: String): Int =  
      s.substring(s.indexOf("int")+3, s.length).toInt  
  }  
}
```

Example Usage

```
class MyHandler {  
  def convert[T](t: T)(implicit enc: Encodable[T]):  
    String = enc.from(t)  
  def convert[T](s: String)  
    (implicit enc: Encodable[T]): T = enc.to(s)  
}
```

```
> val myHandler = new MyHandler  
> myHandler.convert(12345)  
res0: String = int12345  
> myHandler.convert(res0)  
res1: Int = 12345
```

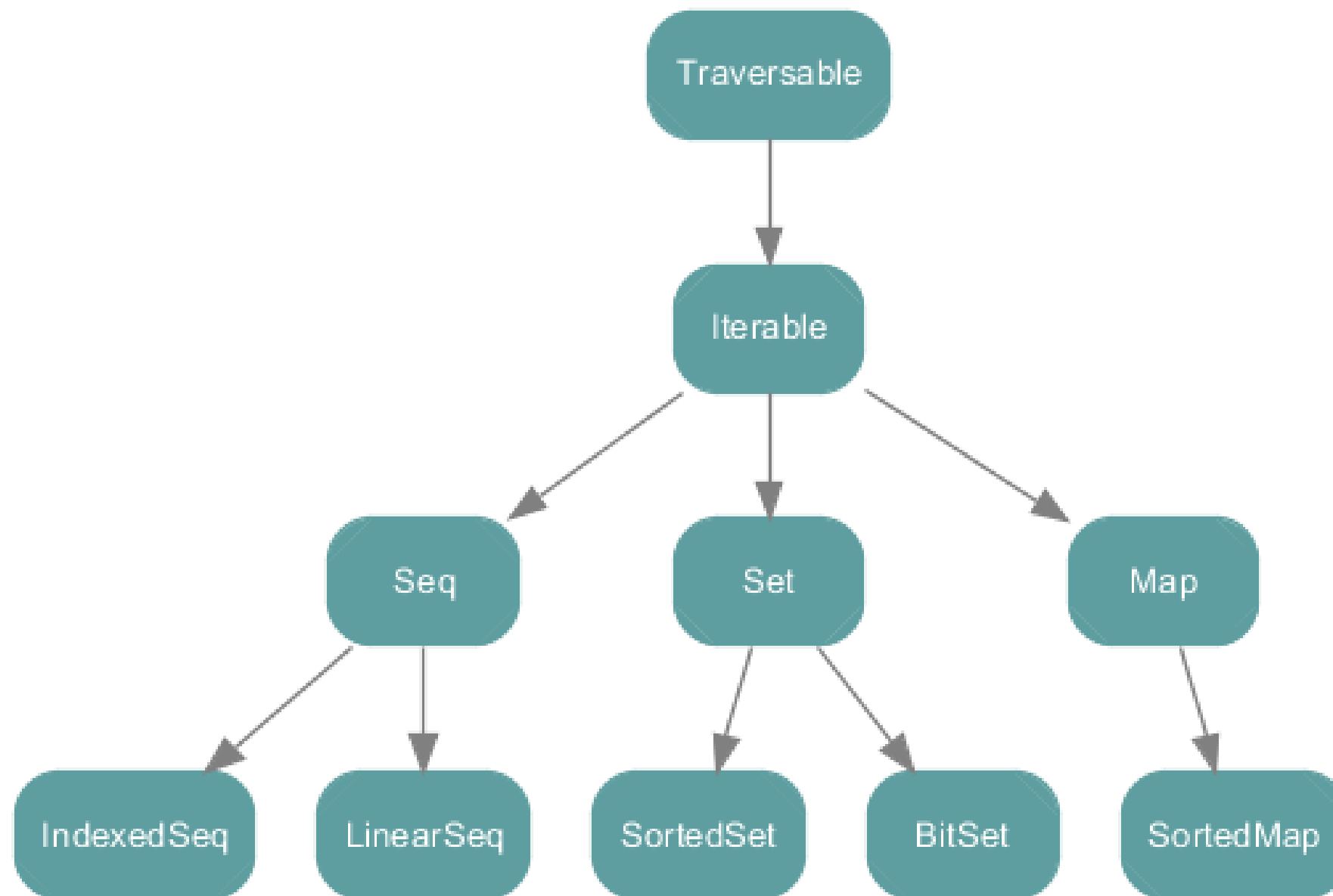
Example Usage

```
> myHandler.convert(12345L)
<console>:15: error: could not find implicit value for
parameter encoder: Encodable[Long]
myHandler.convert(12345L)

> implicit object LongEnc extends Encodable[Long] {
  def from(l: Long): String = "long" + l
  def to(s: String): Long = s.substring(s.indexOf(
    "long")+4, s.length).toLong
> myHandler.convert(12345L)
res4: String = long12345
```

COLLECTIONS

Collections



Collections

Learn the Collections API - it is *awesome*

```
> val seq = Seq()
```

```
> seq.
```

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copyToBuffer	corresponds	count	diff	distinct	drop	dropRight	dropWhile	endsWith	exists		
filterNot	find	flatMap	flatten	fold	foldLeft	foldRight	forall	foreach	genericBuilder	groupBy	
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isDefinedAt	isEmpty	isInstanceOf	isTraversableAgain	iterator	last	lastIndexOf	lastIndexOfSlice	lastIndexWhere	lastOption		
length	lengthCompare	lift	map	max	maxBy	min	minBy	mkString	nonEmpty	orElse	
padTo	par	partition	patch	permutations	prefixLength	product	reduce	reduceLeft	reduceLeftOption		
reduceOption	reduceRight	reduceRightOption	repr	reverse	reverseliterator	reverseMap	runWith	sameElements	scan		
scanLeft	scanRight	segmentLength	seq	size	slice	sliding	sortBy	sortWith	sorted	span	
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toIndexedSeq	tolerable	tolerator	toList	toMap	toSeq	toSet	toStream	toString	toTraversable	toVector	
transpose	union	unzip	unzip3	updated	view	withFilter	zip	zipAll	zipWithIndex		

Collections

Message to all Java
developers:

use **Vector** not **List**

Vector is faster than **List**

Vector is more memory efficient than **List**

A note on Collections

```
def saveStuff(a: Seq[String]): Unit  
def getStuff: Seq[String]
```

Do you know where `Seq` comes from?

`scala.collection.immutable.Seq`

`scala.collection.mutable.Seq`

`scala.collection.Seq`

PATTERN MATCHING

FP Pattern Matching

```
@scala.annotation.tailrec  
def length[A](l: List[A], len: Int): Int = l match {  
  case h :: t => length(t, len + 1)  
  case Nil => len  
}
```

```
> length(List(1,2,3,4,5,6), 0)  
res0: Int = 6
```

Extracting + instance of

```
def convertedAge(a: Animal): Int = a match {  
  case Dog(name, age) => age * 7  
  case Human(_, age, _) => age  
  case Walrus("Donny", age) => age / 10  
  case Walrus(name, age) if name == "Walter" => age  
  case _ => 0  
}
```

PARALLELISM & CONCURRENCY

Word of advice

Implementing correct
parallel and concurrent code
is difficult!

- Actors
 - the Akka ones
- Futures

[scala.concurrent._](#)

JAVA INTEGRATION

Write interfaces in **Java**
Prefer **Java** primitives in
APIs

FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING

Learn patterns from Functional Programming!

FP - Example

API for server 1

```
trait PersonRepository {  
  def getPerson(name: String): Future[Person]  
  def friendsOf(person: Person): Future[Seq[Person]]  
}
```

API for server 2

```
trait InterestRepository {  
  def interestsOf(p: Person): Future[Seq[Interest]]  
}
```

Front Page

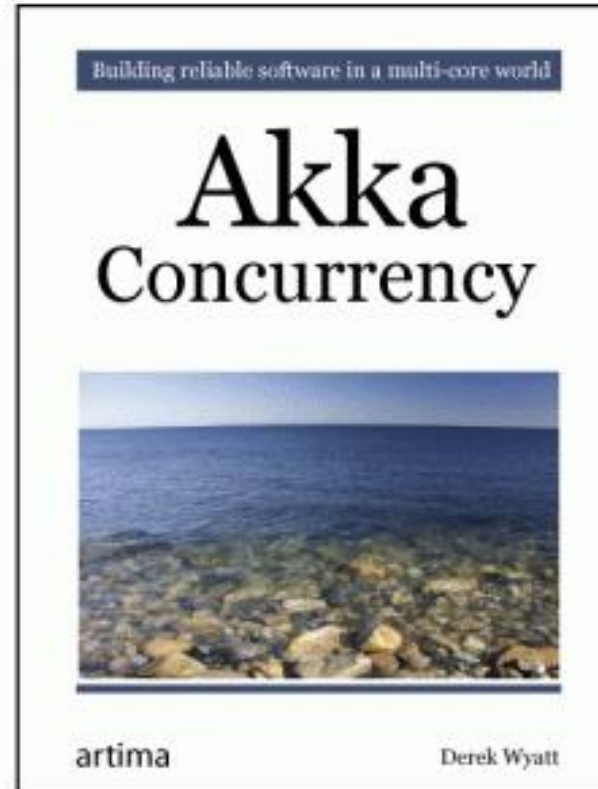
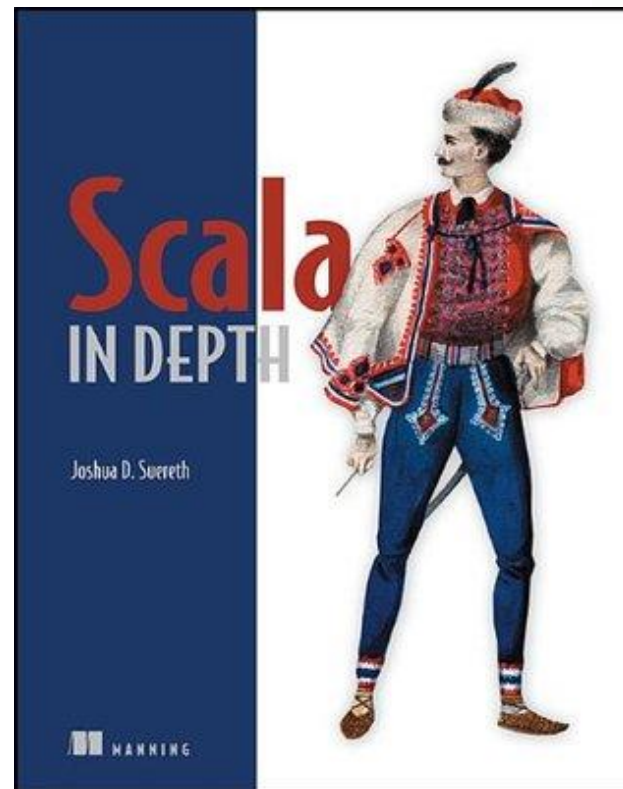
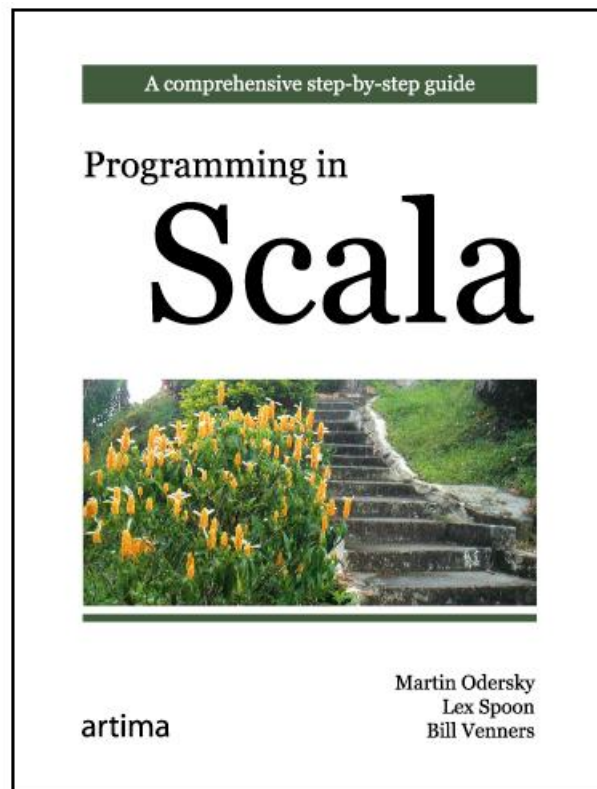
```
case class FrontPageCtx(person: Person, friends:  
  Seq[Friends], interests: Seq[Interest])
```

FP - Example

```
def getData(name: String): Future[FrontPageCtx] = {  
  for {  
    p <- personRepo.getPerson(name)  
    (fs, is) <-  
      personRepo.friendsOf(p) zip  
      interestRepo.interestsOf(p)  
  } yield FrontPageCtx(p, fs, is)  
}
```

- for expression is a **monad**
- zip is an **applicative functor**

Resources





Scala, Akka, Play questions?

Come by our booth!