



# Kotlin In Practice

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**Hands Up!**



# Kotlin Features and Usage in Practice



# Data Classes

## Immutability made easy

```
data class DesignData(  
    val fileName: String,  
    val uploaderId: Int,  
    val width: Int = 0,  
    val height: Int = 0  
)
```

```
val design = DesignData(fileName = "cat.jpg", uploaderId = 2)
```

```
val fileName = design.fileName
```

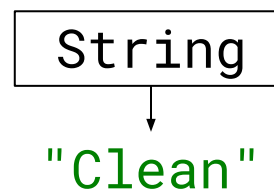
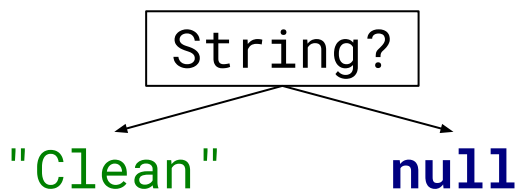
```
design.fileName = "dog.jpg"
```

```
val design2 = design.copy(fileName = "dog.jpg")
```

- Constructor (assign args to fields)
- Getter
- toString()
- hashCode(), equals()
- copy()
- final
- Default Arguments (no chaining)



# Null-Safety and Means for Null Handling



```
val value: String = "Clean Code"
```

```
val value: String = null
```

```
val nullableValue: String? = "Clean Code"
```

```
val nullableValue: String? = null
```

```
val v: String = nullableValue
```

```
val v: String = if (nullableValue == null) "default" else nullableValue
```

```
val v: String = nullableValue ?: "default"
```

**smart-cast!**



# Null-Safety and Means for Null Handling

```
val city = order.customer.address.city
```

```
val city = order!!.customer!!.address!!.city avoid this!
```

```
if (order == null || order.customer == null ||  
    order.customer.address == null){  
    throw IllegalArgumentException("Invalid Order")  
}
```

```
val city = order.customer.address.city smart-cast
```

```
val city = order?.customer?.address?.city
```

```
val city = order?.customer?.address?.city ?:  
    throw IllegalArgumentException("Invalid Order")
```



# Expressions

Flow control structures are expressions!

```
val json = """{"message": "HELLO"}"""
val message = try {
    JSONObject(json).getString("message")
} catch (ex: JSONException) {
    json
}
```





# Expressions

## Single Expression Functions

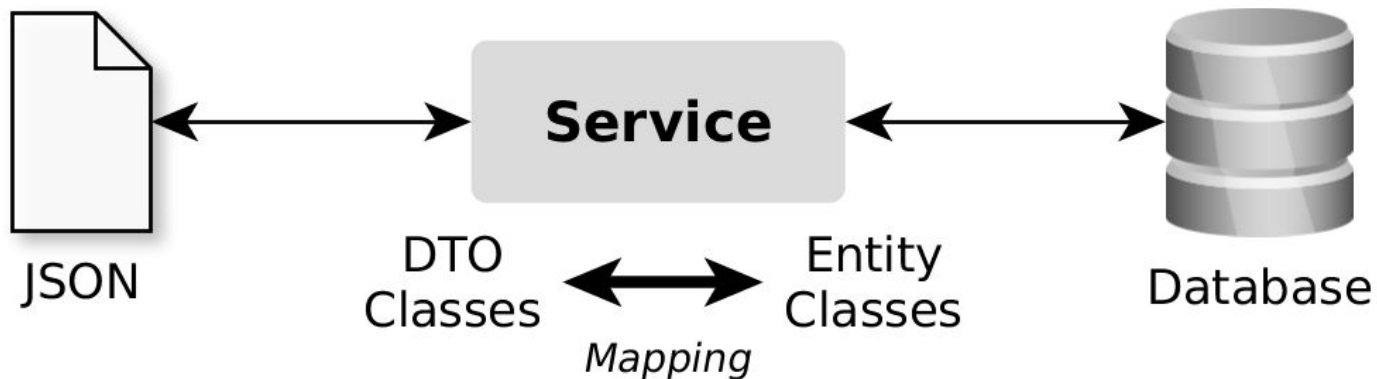
```
fun getMessage(json: String): String {  
    val message = try {  
        JSONObject(json).getString("message")  
    } catch (ex: JSONException) {  
        json  
    }  
    return message  
}
```



```
fun getMessage(json: String) = try {  
    JSONObject(json).getString("message")  
} catch (ex: JSONException) {  
    json  
}
```



# Concise Mapping between Model Classes

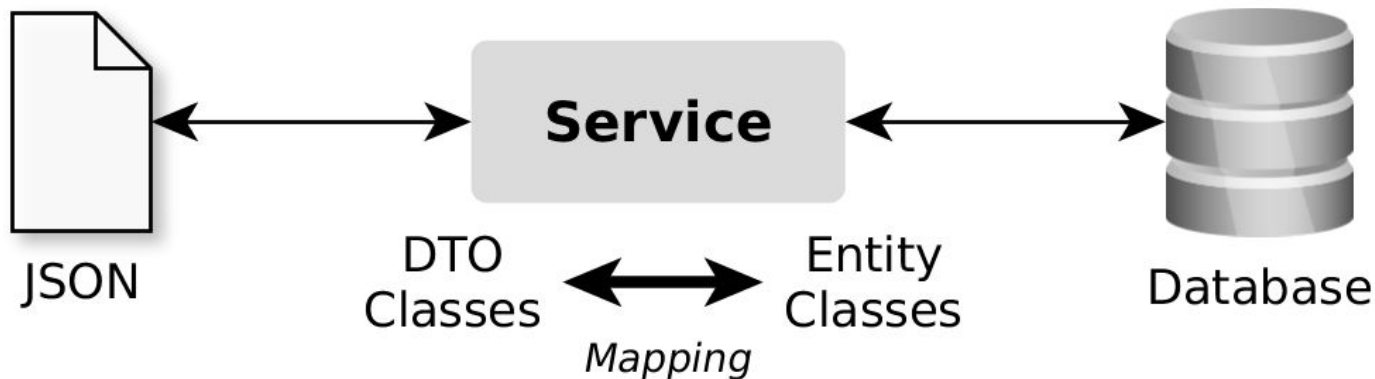


```
data class SnippetDTO(  
    val code: String,  
    val author: String,  
    val date: Instant  
)
```

```
data class SnippetEntity(  
    val code: String,  
    val author: AuthorEntity,  
    val date: Instant  
)  
data class AuthorEntity(  
    val firstName: String,  
    val lastName: String  
)
```



# Concise Mapping between Model Classes



```
fun mapToDTO(entity: SnippetEntity) = SnippetDTO(  
    code = entity.code,  
    date = entity.date,  
    author = "${entity.author.firstName} ${entity.author.lastName}"  
)
```



# Processing an HTTP Response in Java

```
public Product parseProduct(Response response){
    if (response == null){
        throw new ClientException("Response is null");
    }
    int code = response.code();
    if (code == 200 || code == 201){
        return mapToDTO(response.body());
    }
    if (code >= 400 && code <= 499){
        throw new ClientException("Sent an invalid request");
    }
    if (code >= 500 && code <= 599){
        throw new ClientException("Server error");
    }
    throw new ClientException("Error. Code " + code);
}
```



# Processing an HTTP Response in Kotlin: when

```
fun parseProduct(response: Response?) = when (response?.code()){  
    null -> throw ClientException("Response is null")  
    200, 201 -> mapToDTO(response.body())  
    in 400..499 -> throw ClientException("Sent an invalid request")  
    in 500..599 -> throw ClientException("Server error")  
    else -> throw ClientException("Error. Code ${response.code()}")  
}
```



# Do-It-Yourself ORM

@Component

```
class UserDao(private val template: JdbcTemplate) {  
  
    fun findAllUsers() = template.query("SELECT * FROM users;", this::mapToUser)  
  
    fun findUser(id: Int) = try {  
        template.queryForObject("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = $id;", this::mapToUser)  
    } catch (e: EmptyResultDataAccessException) {  
        null  
    }  
  
    private fun mapToUser(rs: ResultSet, rowNum: Int) = User(  
        id = rs.getInt("id")  
        , email = rs.getString("email")  
        , name = mergeNames(rs)  
        , role = if (rs.getBoolean("guest")) Role.GUEST else Role.USER  
        , dateCreated = rs.getTimestamp("date_created").toInstant()  
        , state = State.valueOf(rs.getString("state"))  
    )  
}
```



# Spring: Easy Constructor Injection

*// Java*

```
public class CustomerResource {  
  
    private CustomerRepository repo;  
    private CRMClient client;  
  
    public CustomerResource(CustomerRepository repo, CRMClient client) {  
        this.repo = repo;  
        this.client = client;  
    }  
}
```

*// Kotlin*

```
class CustomerResource(private val repo: CustomerRepository,  
                       private val client: CRMClient){  
  
}
```



# Collection API

## Read-only Collections

```
val list = listOf(1, 2, 3, 4)
list.add(1)
```

## Collections API

```
val evenList = list.filter { it % 2 == 0 }

val daysList = list.filter { it % 2 == 0 }
                    .map { DayOfWeek.of(it) }
println(daysList) // [TUESDAY, THURSDAY]
```





# Testing: Backticks and Nested Classes

```
class AnalyserTest {  
    @Test  
    fun `valid user data`() {  
        val inconsistencies = Analyser.find(createValidData())  
        assertThat(inconsistencies).isEmpty()  
    }  
  
    @Nested  
    inner class `inconsistent e-mails` {  
        @Test  
        fun `different auth mail`() {  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Test Results	330ms
▼ ✓ AnalyserTest	330ms
✓ valid user data()	273ms
✓ multiple inconsistencies()	23ms
✓ api-core references auth identity that doesnt exist()	8ms
✓ multiple active accounts()	1ms
▶ ✓ inconsistent e-mails	11ms
▼ ✓ not active state	8ms
✓ deactivated opossum acc()	1ms
✓ deactivated core acc()	0ms
✓ deactivated auth acc()	7ms
▼ ✓ not user role	6ms
✓ core user is a guest()	3ms
✓ opossum user is a guest()	1ms
✓ auth identity is a guest()	2ms



# Extension Functions

*// definition*

```
fun String.wrap(wrapWith: String) = wrapWith + this + wrapWith
```

*// usage*

```
val wrapped = "hello".wrap("*")
```

*// as opposed to:*

```
val wrapped = StringUtils.wrap("hello", "*")
```



## Extension Functions to Add UI Logic

```
enum class SnippetState{ EXECUTED, NOT_EXECUTED }

fun SnippetState.toIcon() = when (this){
    SnippetState.EXECUTED -> FontAwesome.THUMBS_0_UP
    SnippetState.NOT_EXECUTED -> FontAwesome.THUMBS_0_DOWN
}

//usage:
val icon = state.toIcon()
```



# Kotlin at Spreadshirt



# Ecosystem vs. Language





# Evaluation of Kotlin

## Pros

- **Reuse of the powerful and well-known Java ecosystem**
- Interoperability with Java.
- Productivity
- Less error-prone
- Easy to learn. No paradigm shift.
- Stepwise migration possible.
- Brilliant IDE support with IntelliJ IDEA.

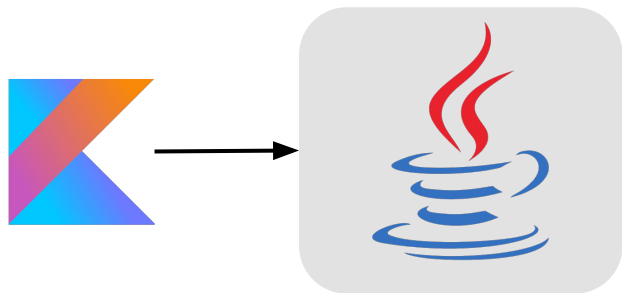
## Cons

- Training required
- **Further development depends on JetBrains.**
- Poor Support for other IDEs (like Eclipse)

⇒ **Low Risks**



# Kotlin Usage at Spreadshirt



3 Test Projects



1 Java service enriched with Kotlin



13 new services and tools purely written in Kotlin

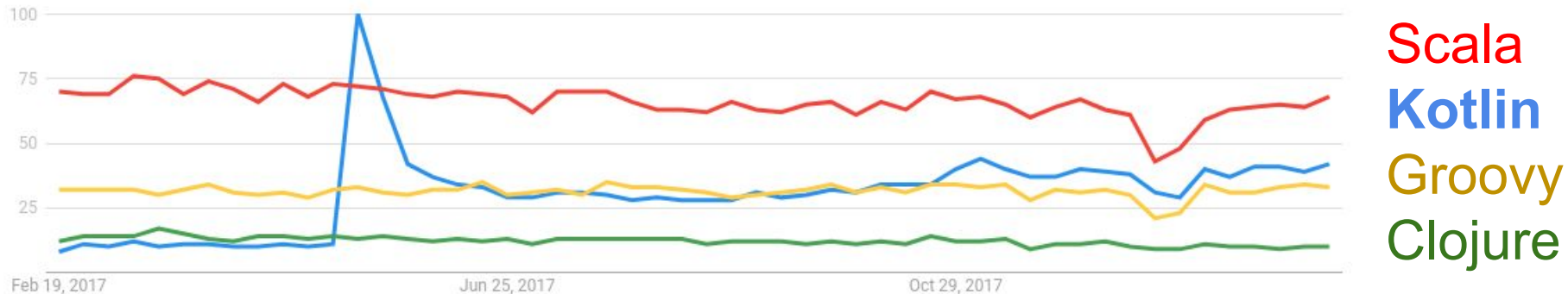


# Adoption of Kotlin Today (Outside of Spreadshirt)





# Google Search Trends



Peak: Google I/O '17:

"Kotlin is an official language for Android development"



# Further Support and Integrations for Kotlin



- [start.spring.io](http://start.spring.io)
- Kotlin Compiler Plugin
- Kotlin Support in Spring 5.0
- Kotlin Gradle DSL
  
- `@TestInstance(Lifecycle.PER_CLASS)`
  
- Kotlin Android Extensions



# Pitfalls



# Missing Default Constructor for Data Classes

```
data class Snippet(val code: String, val author: String)
val snippet = Snippet()
```



⇒ Issues with Object Mapping:

- JAXB requires default constructor ↴
- Jackson: jackson-module-kotlin allows parameterized constructors
- Hibernate: kotlin-noarg compiler plugin for JPA → Synthetic default constructor

apply plugin: "kotlin-jpa"

- Spring Data MongoDB: @PersistenceConstructor or kotlin-noarg plugin for @Document



# Final by Default

```
class CustomerService {  
    fun findCustomer(id: Int){  
        //...  
    }  
}
```

Can't be extended by  
subclasses!

- Some frameworks rely on extension of classes
  - Spring
  - Mockito
- Solutions:
  - Interfaces
  - `Open` classes and methods explicitly
  - Spring: 'kotlin-spring' Open-all-plugin for Kotlin compiler.
  - Mockito: Use MockK instead or Mockito's Incubating Feature



# Minor Annoying Aspects of Kotlin

- Language:
  - No package-private visibility Annoys rarely
  - No multi-catch
- Compilation Speed Will become better;  
Gradle: Inkr. Builds,  
Daemons
  - Build is slower
  - IDE feels slower

# Be aware of Train Wrecks!

```
fun map(dto: OrderDTO, authData: RequestAuthData) = OrderEntity(
    id = dto.id,
    shopId = try {
        extractItemIds(dto.orderItems[0].element.href).shopId
    } catch (e: BatchOrderProcessingException) {
        restExc("Couldn't retrieve shop id from first order item: ${e.msg}")
    },
    batchState = BatchState.RECEIVED,
    orderData = OrderDataEntity(
        orderItems = dto.orderItems.map { dto -> mapToEntity(dto) },
        shippingType = dto.shipping.shippingType.id,
        address = mapToEntity(dto.shipping.address),
        correlationOrderId = dto.correlation?.partner?.orderId,
        externalInvoiceData = dto.externalInvoiceData?.let { ExternalInvoiceDataEntity(
            url = it.url,
            total = it.total,
            currencyId = it.currency.id
        )}
    ),
    partnerUserId = authData.sessionOwnerId ?: restExc("No sessionId supplied", 401),
    apiKey = authData.apiKey,
    dateCreated = if (dto.dateCreated != null) dto.dateCreated else Instant.now(),
)
```



# Conclusion





# **Kotlin at Spreadshirt: A Success Story!**



**Questions?**