

This Scala notebook uses *BeakerX*, a Two Sigma Open Source project that enhances Jupyter.

<http://beakerx.com/> (<http://beakerx.com/>)

In [1]: `scala.util.Properties.versionMsg`

Out[1]: Scala library version 2.11.12 -- Copyright 2002-2017, LAMP/EPFL

Conditional Functions On Ranges

Often a computation falls into distinct cases depending on which of a finite set of ranges a value falls into. In such cases, it can help to break the number line into distinct regions that we must handle separately.



Example 1: Graduated Income Tax (Single Filer)

Bracket (Dollars)	Percentage	Bracket (Dollars)	Percentage
0 to 9,075	10%	186,351 to 405,100	33%
9,075 to 36,900	15%	405,101 to 406,750	35%
36,901 to 89,350	25%	405,751 and up	39.6%
89,351 to 186,350	28%		

We leave this as an exercise for the reader.

Example 2: ASCII Character Classes

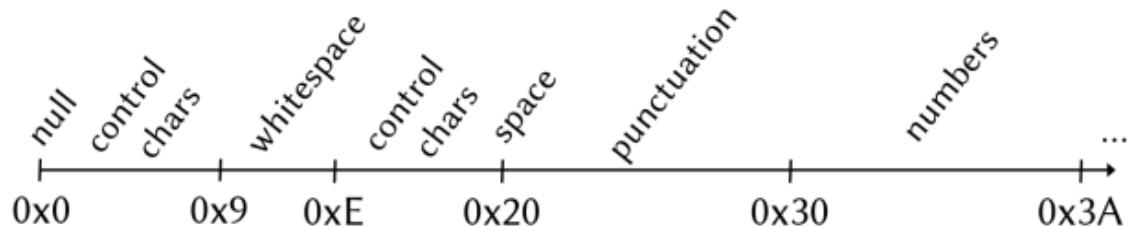
We'll use the design recipe to implement a function to describe the different classes of characters included in the 7-bit US-ASCII character set (e.g., control characters, numbers, punctuation).

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L O H T X O T Q K L S T F T F R S I L C 1 C 2 C 3 C 4 A Y N T B A N M S U B S C F S G S R S S S
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@ABCDEFIGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ[\]^_`abcdefghijklmnoprstuvwxyz{|}~
(<https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:ASCII-infobox.svg>).

Analysis

- We use `Int`s to ASCII character values.
- We use `String`s to describe the character class of a given ASCII codepoint.
- ASCII characters are defined in the range [0, 127].

- We break the number line into the relevant intervals:



Contract

```
In [2]: /**
 * Given an ASCII character codepoint,
 * return a String describing the type of
 * character represented by that codepoint.
 */
def describeAsciiChar(char: Int): String = {
  require(0 <= char & char <= 127)
  ???
} // no ensuring clause
```

Out[2]: `describeAsciiChar: (char: Int)String`

Tests

We should develop at least one example per case, as well as borderline cases.

```
"Null" == describeAsciiChar(0)
"Whitespace" == describeAsciiChar(10)
"Lowercase Letter" == describeAsciiChar(97)
...
```

Definition

The definition of `describeAsciiChar` will be our template for defining conditional functions on ranges.

```
In [3]: /**
 * Given an ASCII character codepoint,
 * return a String describing the type of
 * character represented by that codepoint.
 */
def describeAsciiChar(char: Int): String = {
  require(0 <= char & char <= 127)

  if (char == 0x0) { "Null" }
  else { ??? }
}
```

Out[3]: `describeAsciiChar: (char: Int)String`

Iterate

In [4]:

```
/**  
 * Given an ASCII character codepoint,  
 * return a String describing the type of  
 * character represented by that codepoint.  
 */  
def describeAsciiChar(char: Int): String = {  
    require(0 <= char & char <= 127)  
  
    if (char == 0x0) { "Null" }  
    else if (char <= 0x08) { "Control Character" }  
    else if (char <= 0x0D) { "Whitespace" }  
    else if (char <= 0x19) { "Control Character" }  
    else if (char == 0x20) { "Whitespace" }  
    else if (char <= 0x29) { "Punctuation" }  
    else if (char <= 0x39) { "Number" }  
    else if (char <= 0x40) { "Punctuation" }  
    else if (char <= 0x5A) { "Uppercase Letter" }  
    else if (char <= 0x60) { "Punctuation" }  
    else if (char <= 0x7A) { "Lowercase Letter" }  
    else if (char <= 0x7E) { "Punctuation" }  
    else { "Control Character" } // 0x7F  
}
```

Out[4]: describeAsciiChar: (char: Int)String

Remember, the braces are optional! Leaving them out looks much less cluttered:

In [5]:

```
/**  
 * Given an ASCII character codepoint,  
 * return a String describing the type of  
 * character represented by that codepoint.  
 */  
def describeAsciiChar(char: Int): String = {  
    require(0 <= char & char <= 127)  
  
    if (char == 0x0) "Null"  
    else if (char <= 0x08) "Control Character"  
    else if (char <= 0x0D) "Whitespace"  
    else if (char <= 0x19) "Control Character"  
    else if (char == 0x20) "Whitespace"  
    else if (char <= 0x29) "Punctuation"  
    else if (char <= 0x39) "Number"  
    else if (char <= 0x40) "Punctuation"  
    else if (char <= 0x5A) "Uppercase Letter"  
    else if (char <= 0x60) "Punctuation"  
    else if (char <= 0x7A) "Lowercase Letter"  
    else if (char <= 0x7E) "Punctuation"  
    else "Control Character" // 0x7F  
}
```

Out[5]: describeAsciiChar: (char: Int)String

```
In [6]: "Null" == describeAsciiChar(0)
```

```
Out[6]: true
```

```
In [7]: "Whitespace" == describeAsciiChar(10)
```

```
Out[7]: true
```

```
In [8]: "Lowercase Letter" == describeAsciiChar(97)
```

```
Out[8]: true
```

Notes On Conditional Functions

- The clauses in a conditional function need not all have the same form.
- Avoid factoring out code into a helper function until there is more than one place to call the helper.
- There is more we could do to improve these examples, but we need to learn more of Core Scala first.

Conditional Functions On Point Values

Often the cases on a conditional function must test for equality rather than whether values fall in a range. This is especially common with String values

- What about Boolean values?
- Why is it a bad idea to test Double s values this way?

Example: Days in a Month

Given the name of a month, we want to return the number of days in that month.

We'll apply the design recipe to implement this function.

Analysis

- We use String s to denote months
- We use Int s for the number of days
- Months have between 1 and 31 days (inclusive).

Contract

In [9]:

```
/**  
 * Given a string identifying a month,  
 * with the first (and only the first) letter capitalized,  
 * returns the number of days in that month  
 * for an ordinary year (non-leap) year.  
 */  
def daysInMonth(monthName: String): Int = {  
    ??? : Int  
} ensuring (result => 0 < result & result <= 31)
```

Out[9]: daysInMonth: (monthName: String)Int

We stated the preconditions in the documentation comment for our function.

- How can we improve the precondition?
- What data types would we want?

We'll be able to improve this precondition after learning more Core Scala.

Tests

In [10]: 31 == daysInMonth("January")

```
scala.NotImplementedError: an implementation is missing  
at scala.Predef$.qmark$qmark$qmark(Predef.scala:230)  
at daysInMonth(<console>:95)  
... 46 elided
```

Definition

The definition of `daysInMonth` will be our template for defining conditional functions on ranges.

In [11]:

```
/**  
 * Given a string identifying a month,  
 * with the first (and only the first) letter capitalized,  
 * returns the number of days in that month  
 * for an ordinary year (non-leap) year.  
 */  
def daysInMonth(monthName: String): Int = {  
    monthName match {  
        case "January" => 31  
    }  
} ensuring (result => 0 < result & result <= 31)
```

Out[11]: daysInMonth: (monthName: String)Int

```
In [12]: 31 == daysInMonth("January")
```

```
Out[12]: true
```

Syntax for match

```
expr0 match {  
    case Pattern1 => expr1  
    ...  
    case PatternN => exprN  
}
```

Primitive Value Patterns

A primitive value pattern is one of the following:

- A literal value (e.g., 5 or "Foo")
- A free parameter (e.g., x or apples)
- The "don't care" pattern, represented with an underscore: _

A primitive value v matches:

- Itself (e.g., 5 matches 5)
- A free parameter (e.g., x matches 5)
- The "don't care" pattern (e.g., _ matches 5)

The _ pattern should only be used as the final clause of a match. Why?

Reducing match Expressions

To reduce a match expression:

```
expr0 match {  
    case Pattern1 => expr1  
    ...  
    case PatternN => exprN  
}
```

1. Reduce expr0 to a value v .
2. Find the first pattern K matching v , if it exists.
3. Reduce to exprK , replacing all occurrences of K with v if K is a free parameter.
4. If no match exists, the result is ⊥.

```
In [13]: 5 match { case 4 => true }
```

```
scala.MatchError: 5 (of class java.lang.Integer)  
... 46 elided
```

Static Typing of match

```
expr0 match {  
    case Pattern1 => expr1  
    ...  
    case PatternN => exprN  
}  
  
expr0: τ  
Pattern1: τ  
PatternN: τ  
expr1: φ  
exprN: φ
```

If the pattern is a literal value, it must have type `τ` (i.e., it must match the type of `expr0`). If the pattern is a free parameter, then that free parameter has type `τ` in that `case`'s result expression. The whole `match` expression has result type `φ`, which is also the type of all the `case`s' result expressions.

Finishing the Days in Month Example

```
In [14]: /**  
 * Given a string identifying a month,  
 * with the first (and only the first) letter capitalized,  
 * returns the number of days in that month  
 * for an ordinary year (non-leap) year.  
 */  
def daysInMonth(monthName: String): Int = {  
    monthName match {  
        case "January" => 31  
        case "February" => 28  
        case "March" => 31  
        case "April" => 30  
        case "May" => 31  
        case "June" => 30  
        case "July" => 31  
        case "August" => 31  
        case "September" => 30  
        case "October" => 31  
        case "November" => 30  
        case "December" => 31  
    }  
} ensuring (result => 0 < result & result <= 31)
```

```
Out[14]: daysInMonth: (monthName: String)Int
```

```
In [15]: 31 == daysInMonth("January")
```

```
Out[15]: true
```

```
In [16]: 28 == daysInMonth("February")
```

```
Out[16]: true
```

```
In [17]: 30 == daysInMonth("April")
```

```
Out[17]: true
```

Example of match with Free Parameter

```
In [18]: def plural(word: String): String =  
  word match {  
    case "deer" => "deer"  
    case "fish" => "fish"  
    case "mouse" => "mice"  
    case x => x + "s"  
  }
```

```
Out[18]: plural: (word: String)String
```

```
In [19]: plural("fish")
```

```
Out[19]: fish
```

```
In [20]: plural("cat")
```

```
Out[20]: cats
```

We could also implement this function using `_`:

```
In [21]: def plural(word: String): String =  
  word match {  
    case "deer" => "deer"  
    case "fish" => "fish"  
    case "mouse" => "mice"  
    case _ => word + "s"  
  }
```

```
Out[21]: plural: (word: String)String
```

```
In [22]: plural("dog")
```

```
Out[22]: dogs
```

Compound Datatypes

Please refer to the lecture slides.

