

MY TRANSITION FROM SWIFT TO KOTLIN

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT ME

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- > WRITE AND MAINTAIN A BLOG AT KRAKENDEV.IO THAT GETS CLOSE TO 10K VIEWS A WEEK
- > SPOKEN ABOUT IOS/SWIFT IN 3 DIFFERENT CONTINENTS
 - > SR. IOS DEVELOPER FOR ALMOST 6 YEARS NOW
 - > I WORK AT TWITTER (TWEET, TWEET)



I WANTED MORE

*But who cares?
No big deal...*

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SO I LOOKED AND I SEARCHED

AND ABOUT A YEAR AGO



I FOUND IT



BUT WE NEED YOU FOR THIS
PROJECT





LET'S PLAY A GAME

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SWIFT: 0
KOTLIN: 0

DATA CLASSES

```
data class Conference(val name: String, val date: Date, val speakers: List<Speaker>)  
val kotlinConf = Conference(name = "KotlinConf", date = Date(), speakers = listOf())
```

```
struct Conference {  
    let name: String  
    let date: Date  
    let speakers: [Speaker]  
}  
let kotlinConf = Conference(name: "KotlinConf", date: Date(), speakers: [])
```

```
struct Conference {  
    let name: String = "KotlinConf"  
    let date: Date  
    let speakers: [Speaker]  
}  
// This line throws a compiler error  
🚫 let kotlinConf = Conference(name: "BootlegKotlinConf", date: Date(), speakers: [])  
  
// We have to initialize without the default value.  
✅ let kotlinConf = Conference(date: Date(), speakers: [])
```

SWIFT: 0

KOTLIN: 1

ENUMS

KOTLIN

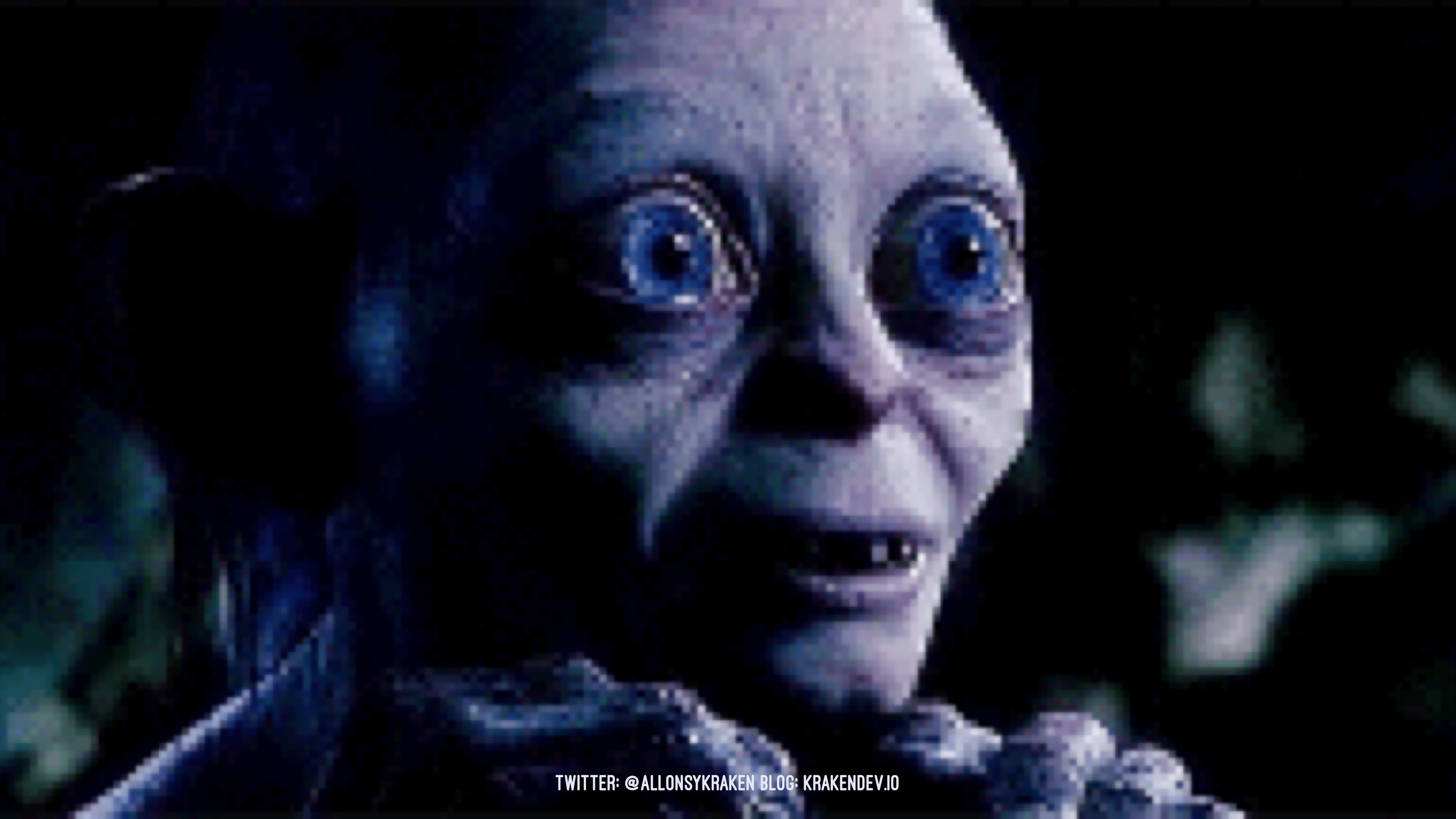
```
enum class ColorSpace {  
    CYMK,  
    RGBA,  
    HSBA  
}  
// LOVE this feature ❤️  
val allColorSpaces = ColorSpace.allValues()  
for (colorSpace in allColorSpaces) {  
    print(colorSpace.name)  
    print(colorSpace.ordinal)  
}
```

SWIFT

```
enum ColorSpace {  
    // Love this feature more though ❤️  
    case cymk(Float, Float, Float, Float),  
    case rgb(Float, Float, Float),  
    case hsb(Float, Float, Float)  
}  
  
switch colorSpace {  
    case .cymk(let cyan, let yellow, let magenta, let black):  
    case .rgb(let red, let green, let blue):  
    case .hsb(let hue, let saturation, let brightness):  
}
```

EXAMPLE: EXPRESSIONS

```
indirect enum Expr {  
  case value(Double)  
  case sum(Expr, Expr),  
  
  var eval: Double {  
    switch self {  
      case .number(let value):  
        return value  
      case .sum(let lhs, let rhs):  
        return lhs.eval + rhs.eval  
    }  
  }  
}
```



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KOTLIN SEALED CLASSES

```
sealed class Expr
```

```
data class Const(val number: Double) : Expr()
```

```
data class Sum(val e1: Expr, val e2: Expr) : Expr()
```

```
fun eval(expr: Expr): Double = when(expr) {  
    is Const -> expr.number  
    is Sum -> eval(expr.e1) + eval(expr.e2)  
}
```

SWIFT: 1
KOTLIN: 1

DELEGATED PROPERTIES & CLASSES

EXAMPLE: VIEW ASSIGNMENT

```
public class PersonView(context: Context) : LinearLayout(context) {  
    val firstName: TextView by bindView(R.id.first_name)  
}
```

SWIFT: 1

KOTLIN: 2

TUPLES

```
let person = (name: "Paul", age: 35)
```

```
func printPerson(person: (String, Int)) {  
    print("\(person.0) is \(person.1) years old")  
}
```

```
// Have to create an entire class  
// to destructure into two variables, not one.  
val (name, age) = Person()
```

SWIFT: 2
KOTLIN: 2

EASE OF LEARNING

SWIFT: 3
KOTLIN: 2

MEMORY MANAGEMENT

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SWIFT: 4
KOTLIN: 2

COROUTINES

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SWIFT: 4
KOTLIN: 3

TRUE TYPE ERASURE

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SWIFT

```
protocol Pokemon {  
    associatedType Type  
    func attack() -> Type  
}
```

KOTLIN

```
interface Pokemon<out Type> {  
    fun attack(): Type  
}
```

```
class PokemonTrainer {  
    var favoritePokemon: Pokemon // Won't compile  
}
```

```
struct AnyPokemon<P: Pokemon>: Pokemon {  
    private let pokemon: P  
    init(_ pokemon: P) {  
        self.pokemon = pokemon  
    }  
    func attack() -> P.Type {  
        return pokemon.attack()  
    }  
}  
  
class PokemonTrainer {  
    var favoritePokemon: AnyPokemon<Fire>  
}  
  
// Usage  
trainer.favoritePokemon = AnyPokemon(Charmander())
```

GOOD OL' KOTLIN

```
data class Trainer(val favoritePokemon: Pokemon<Any>)
```

SWIFT: 4
KOTLIN: 4

INTEROPERABILITY

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SWIFT: 4
KOTLIN: 5

VALUE/REFERENCE SEMANTICS

```
var developers = ["Hector", "Aaron", "Tre"]
for developer in developers {
    if !developer.isCool() {
        developers.remove(developer)
    }
}
print(developers) // Prints out "Hector"
```

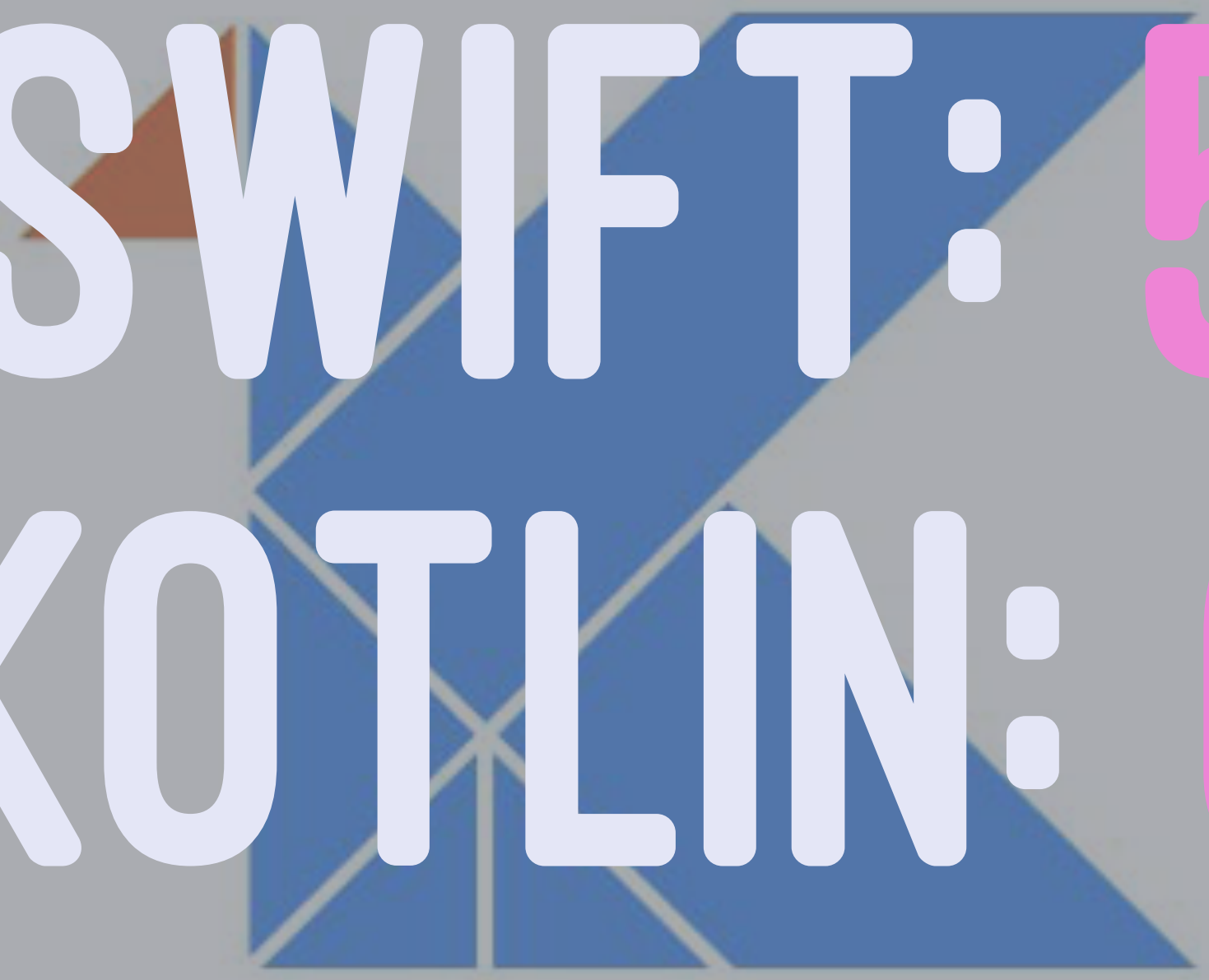
```
// reference semantics
class Person {
    let name: String
}
// value semantics
struct Person {
    let name: String
}
```

FLEXIBILITY / CONTROL

SWIFT: 5
KOTLIN: 5

...And one more thing





SWIFT: 5
KOTLIN: 6





