Functional Programming Patterns v2

(for the pragmatic programmer)

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Functions are first class citizens in FP Architecture

Most functional patterns are derived from Category Theory

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What is a Free Monad?

-- A monad on a custom algebra that can be run through an Interpreter

What is an Application?

-- A collection of algebras and the Coproduct resulting from their interaction

Let's build an app that reads a contact and performs some operations with it

A very simple model

```
case class Contact(
    firstName: String,
    lastName: String,
    phoneNumber: String)
```

Our first Algebra is interaction with a user

```
sealed trait Interact[A]
```

```
case class Ask(prompt: String) extends Interact[String]
```

```
case class Tell(msg: String) extends Interact[Unit]
```

Our second Algebra is about persistence

```
sealed trait DataOp[A]
```

```
case class AddContact(a: Contact) extends DataOp[Unit]
```

case class GetAllContacts() extends DataOp[List[Contact]]

An application is the Coproduct of its algebras

```
type AgendaApp[A] = Coproduct[DataOp, Interact, A]
```

Coyoneda can gives functors for free for our Algebras

```
type ACoyo[A] = Coyoneda[AgendaApp,A]
type AFree[A] = Free[ACoyo,A]
```

We can now lift different algebras to our App Coproduct

```
def lift[F[_], G[_], A](fa: F[A])(implicit I: Inject[F, G]): FreeC[G, A] =
   Free.liftFC(I.inj(fa))
```

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```
class Interacts[F[_]](implicit I: Inject[Interact, F]) {
  def tell(msg: String): Free.FreeC[F, Unit] = lift(Tell(msg))
  def ask(prompt: String): Free.FreeC[F, String] = lift(Ask(prompt))
object Interacts {
  implicit def interacts[F[_]](implicit I: Inject[Interact, F]): Interacts[F] = new Interacts[F]
```

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```
class DataSource[F[_]](implicit I: Inject[DataOp, F]) {
  def addContact(a: Contact): FreeC[F, Unit] = lift[DataOp, F, Unit](AddContact(a))
  def getAllContacts: FreeC[F, List[Contact]] = lift[DataOp, F, List[Contact]](GetAllContacts())
object DataSource {
  implicit def dataSource[F[_]](implicit I: Inject[DataOp, F]): DataSource[F] = new DataSource[F]
```

At this point a program is nothing but **Data** describing the sequence of execution but **FREE** of its runtime interpretation.

```
def program(implicit I : Interacts[AgendaApp], D : DataSource[AgendaApp]) = {
  import I._, D._
  for {
   firstName <- ask("First Name:")</pre>
   lastName <- ask("Last Name:")</pre>
   phoneNumber <- ask("Phone Number:")</pre>
   _ <- addContact(Contact(firstName, lastName, phoneNumber))</pre>
   contacts <- getAllContacts</pre>
   _ <- tell(contacts.toString)</pre>
  } yield ()
```

```
We isolate interpretations
via Natural transformations AKA Interpreters.
In other words with map over
the outer type constructor of our Algebras
object ConsoleContactReader extends (Interact ~> Id.Id) {
  def apply[A](i: Interact[A]) = i match {
    case Ask(prompt) =>
      println(prompt)
      scala.io.StdIn.readLine()
    case Tell(msg) =>
      println(msg)
```

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```
object InMemoryDatasourceInterpreter extends (DataOp ~> Id.Id) {
   private[this] val memDataSet = new ListBuffer[Contact]

   override def apply[A](fa: DataOp[A]) = fa match {
     case AddContact(a) => memDataSet.append(a); ()
     case GetAllContacts() => memDataSet.toList
   }
}
```

A tree of interpreters may be described to branch accordingly on each algebra when evaluating a Coproduct

```
def or[F[_], G[_], H[_]](f: F ~> H, g: G ~> H): ({type cp[α] = Coproduct[F, G, α]})#cp ~> H =
    new NaturalTransformation[({type cp[α] = Coproduct[F, G, α]})#cp, H] {
        def apply[A](fa: Coproduct[F, G, A]): H[A] = fa.run match {
          case -\/(ff) => f(ff)
          case \/-(gg) => g(gg)
        }
    }
}
```

Now that we have a way to combine interpreters we can lift them to the app Coproduct

```
val interpreters: AgendaApp ~> Id.Id = or(InMemoryDatasourceInterpreter, ConsoleContactReader)
val coyoint: ({type f[x] = Coyoneda[AgendaApp, x]})#f ~> Id.Id = Coyoneda.liftTF(interpreters)
```

And we can finally apply our program applying the interpreter to the free monad

val evaled = program mapSuspension coyoint

Composition gives us the power to easily mix simple functions to achieve more complex workflows.

We can achieve monadic function composition with **Kleisli Arrows**

 $A \Rightarrow M[B]$

In other words a function that for a given input it returns a type constructor...

List[B], Option[B], Either[B], Task[B], Future[B]...

When the type constructor M[_] it's a Monad it can be monadically composed

```
val composed = for {
   a <- Kleisli((x : String) ⇒ Option(x.toInt + 1))
   b <- Kleisli((x : String) ⇒ Option(x.toInt * 2))
} yield a + b</pre>
```

The deferred injection of the input parameter enables **Dependency Injection**. This is an alternative to implicits commonly known as DI with the Reader monad.

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val composed = for {
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} yield a + b
composed.run("1")</pre>
```

Requirements

- Free of Interpretation
- Composable pieces
- Dependency Injection / IOC
- Fault Tolerance

Fault Tolerance

Most containers and patterns generalize to the most common super-type or simply **Throwable** loosing type information.

```
val f = scala.concurrent.Future.failed(new NumberFormatException)
val t = scala.util.Try(throw new NumberFormatException)
val d = for {
  a <- 1.right[NumberFormatException]
  b <- (new RuntimeException).left[Int]
} yield a + b</pre>
```

Fault Tolerance

We don't have to settle for **Throwable**!!!

We could use instead...

- Nested disjunctions
- Delimited, Monadic, Dependently-typed, Accumulating Checked Exceptions

Fault Tolerance: Dependently-typed Acc Exceptions

Introducing rapture.core.Result

Fault Tolerance : Dependently-typed Acc Exceptions

Result is similar to \// but has 3 possible outcomes (Answer, Errata, Unforeseen) val op = for { a <- Result.catching[NumberFormatException]("1".toInt)</pre> b <- Result.errata[Int, IllegalArgumentException](</pre> new IllegalArgumentException("expected")) } yield a + b

Fault Tolerance : Dependently-typed Acc Exceptions

Result uses dependently typed monadic exception accumulation

Fault Tolerance : Dependently-typed Acc Exceptions

You may recover by **resolving** errors to an **Answer**.

```
op resolve (
    each[IllegalArgumentException](_ ⇒ 0),
    each[NumberFormatException](_ ⇒ 0),
    each[IndexOutOfBoundsException](_ ⇒ 0))
```

Fault Tolerance: Dependently-typed Acc Exceptions

Or **reconcile** exceptions into a new custom one.

```
case class MyCustomException(e : Exception) extends Exception(e.getMessage)

op reconcile (
    each[IllegalArgumentException](MyCustomException(_)),
    each[NumberFormatException](MyCustomException(_)),
    each[IndexOutOfBoundsException](MyCustomException(_)))
```

Recap

- Free Monads: Free of Interpretation
- Coproducts : Composable pieces
- Implicits & Kleisli : Dependency Injection / IOC
- Dependently typed checked exceptions Fault tolerant

What's next?

If you want to sequence or comprehend over unrelated monads you need Transformers.

Transformers are supermonads that help you flatten through nested monads such as

Future[Option] or Kleisli[Task[Disjuntion]] binding to the most inner value.

Attend @larsr_h talk about monad transformers OptimusPrimeT

http://www.47deg.com/blog/fp-for-the-average-joe-part-2-scalaz-monad-transformers

Questions? & Thanks!

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http://github.com/47deg/func-architecture-v2