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Introducing Pedestal

- Who: Relevance
- What: alpha release, open source libs
- Where: Clojure/West
- When: Now
- Why, How...





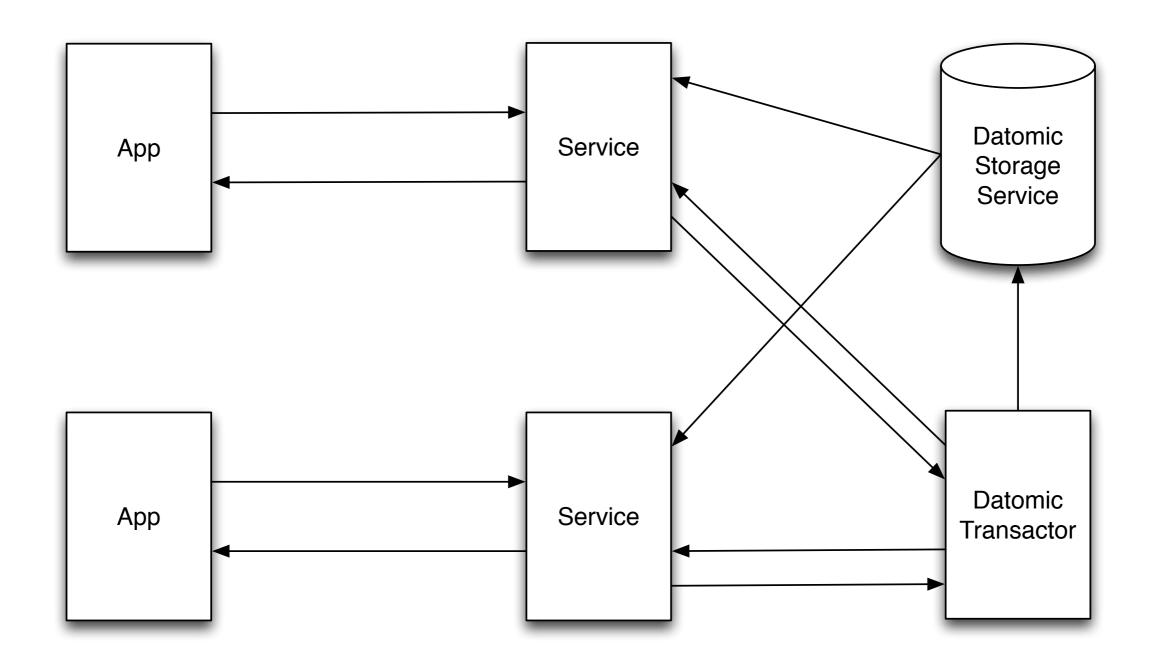
Goal

 Use clojure end-to-end to build rich interactive collaborative Web applications and services that scale





Archetype







Problems

- Services notifying apps
- Building complex Uls in browser





Service Plumbing

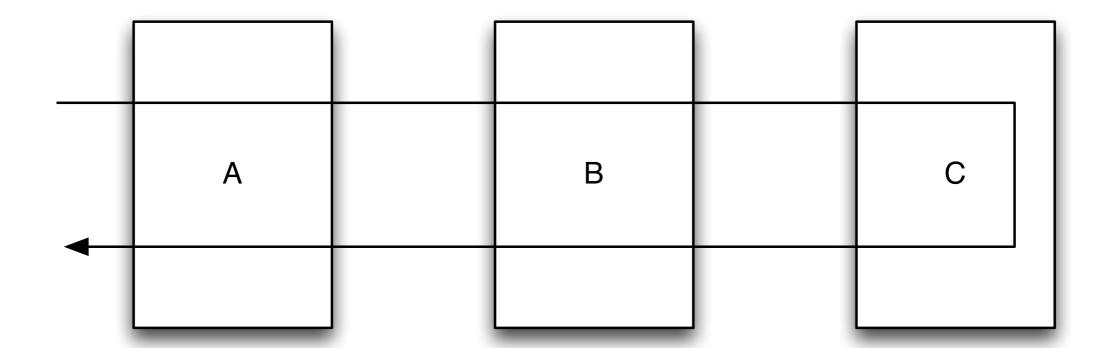
- Interceptor mechanism
- Long polling, server-sent events
- Routing, url generation





Ring Middlewares

• Chained fns bound to thread's stack

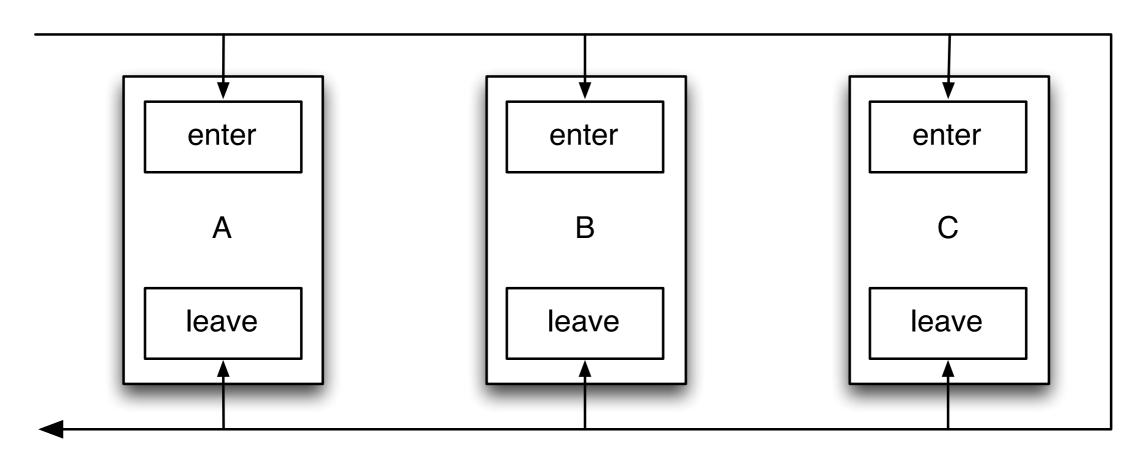






Interceptors

Maps of fns not bound to thread's stack

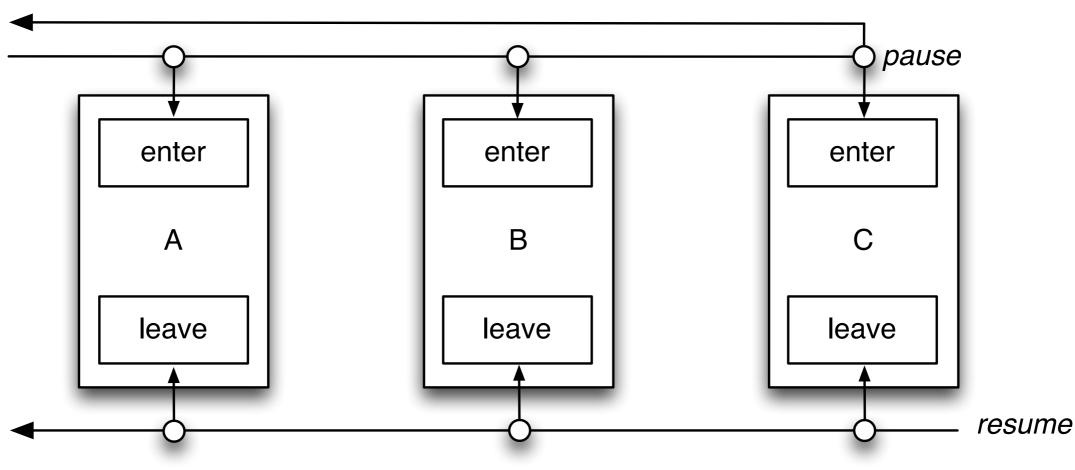






Pause/Resume

- Can pause/resume across threads
- Supports bindings and error propagation





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Ring Compatibility

- As compatible as possible
- Same request/response maps
- Core middlewares refactored and accepted
 - Interceptor versions provided
- Easy to port existing code





Notifications

- Thread management enables long polling
 - Park request as needed
- Also, server-sent-events
 - Built on low-level streaming API





Routes and URLs

```
ring handler fn
                             native edn serialization
(defn hello-world [req]
  (ring/response (map inc [1 2 3]))
                                       routes as data
(defroutes routes
  [[["/hello-world" {:get hello-world}]]])
(def url-for (routes/url-for-routes routes))
(url-for ::hello-world)
;;=> "/hello-world"
                                       make urls
                                     from routes
```



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3 Simple Steps

- Event handler affects state
- Figure out what changed
- Update DOM





What to compare?

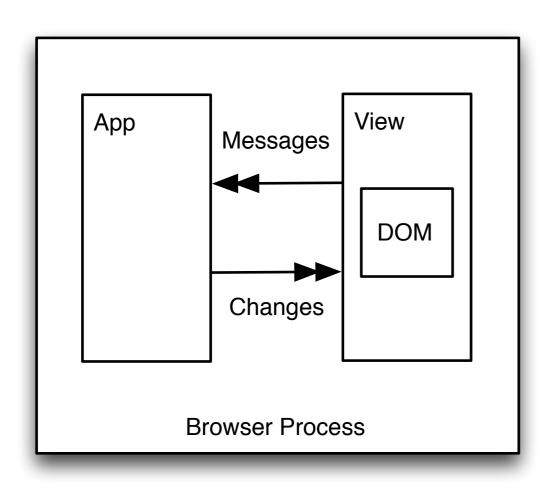
- JS: event, old OR new state, DOM
- CLJS: event, old AND new state, DOM

Can remove DOM from equation!





App vs. View



- App: behavior
- View: presentation





App Model

- Encapsulate behavior and state
- Input: messages
- Output: app tree deltas
- Implemented as pure functions
- Fns wired up declaratively





Messages

- Map with topic and type
- Other keys as needed
- Used for input to app
- Used to control aspects of engine

```
{msg/topic :count-transform
msg/type :inc
:key :a}
```





App Tree Deltas

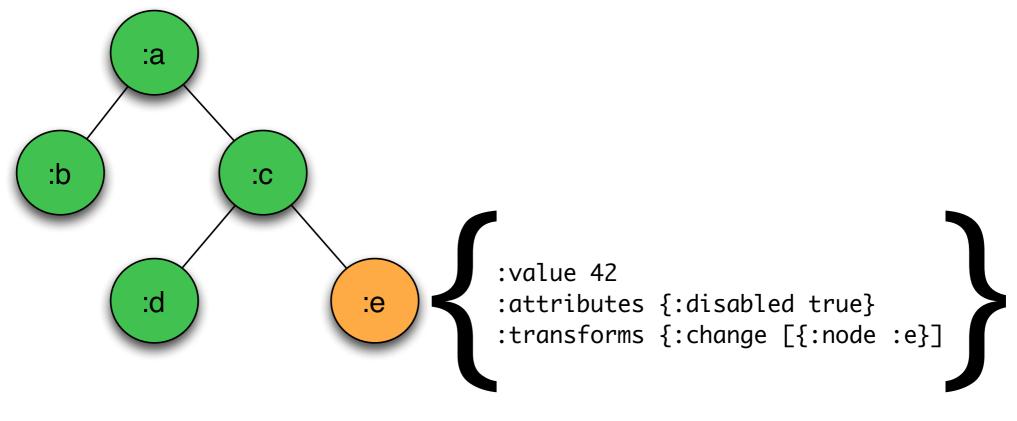
```
path args
[:node-create [:a :b :c] :map]
[:node-destroy [:a :b :c]]
[:value [:a :b :c] {:count 2}]
[:attr [:a :b :c] :active true]
[:transform-enable [:a :b :c] :send-info
                              [{msg/topic :some-model
                                msg/type :send-name
                                (msg/param :name) {}}]]
[:transform-disable [:a :b :c] :send-info]
```





App Tree is Logical

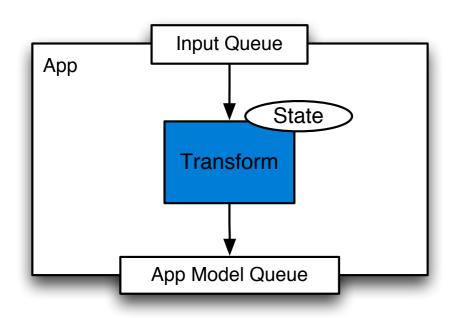
 Consumer may or may not realize (portions of) tree as real structure





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Transform



- Fn that modifies state
- Message, state input
- Last output state kept
- Only changes flow





Transform

```
(put-message (:input-queue app)
  {msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc}
           Input Queue
    App
                            (defn count-transform [t-state message]
                 State
                              (condp = (msg/type message)
             count-
                                msg/init (:value message)
            transform
                                :inc (inc (or t-state 0))
                                t-state))
          App Model Queue
([:value [:io.pedestal.app/view-count-transform] 10 11])
```





Transform output

```
;; message input...
{msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc}
;; deltas output...
([:value [:io.pedestal.app/view-count-transform] 10 11])
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{msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc}
;; deltas output...
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```





More State

```
(put-message (:input-queue app)
  {msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc :key :a}
           Input Queue
                           (defn count-transform [t-state message]
    App
                              (condp = (msg/type message)
                State
                               msg/init (:value message)
             count-
                                :inc (update-in (or t-state {})
            transform
                                                  (:key message)
                                                  inc)
          App Model Queue
                                t-state))
([:value [:io.pedestal.app/view-count-transform]
  {:a 10 :b 9} {:a 11 :b 9}])
```



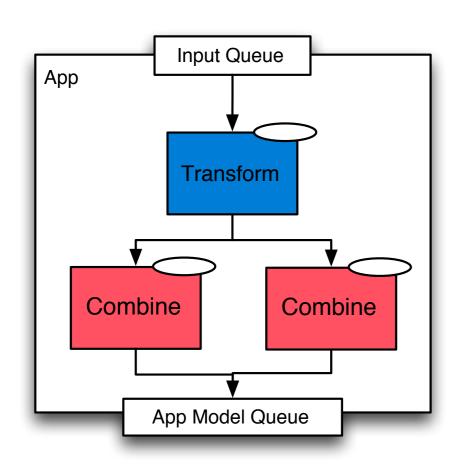


Affecting Parts of State

```
;; put a message in...
{msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc :key :a}
;; get deltas out...
([:value [:io.pedestal.app/view-count-transform]
    {:a 10 :b 9} {:a 11 :b 9}])
;; put a message in...
{msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc :key :b}
;; get deltas out...
([:value [:io.pedestal.app/view-count-transform]
   {:a 11 :b 9} {:a 11 :b 10}])
```







- Fn that merges or splits state(s)
- Transform and/or combine state(s) input
- Engine keeps last output
- Only changes flow





([:value [:a-combine] 10 11])





```
{msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc :key :b}
            Input Queue
    App
                              (defn a-combine [c-state t-name
                                                  t-old-val t-new-val]
             count-
            transform
                                 (:a t-new-val))
                              (defn b-combine [c-state t-name
                    b-
                                                  t-old-val t-new-val]
      combine
                  combine
                                (:b t-new-val))
          App Model Queue
```

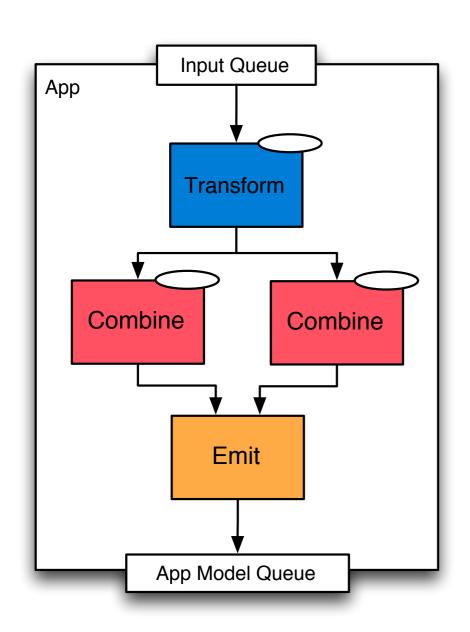
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{msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc :key :b}
            Input Queue
    App
                              (defn a-combine [c-state t-name
                                                 t-old-val t-new-val]
             count-
            transform
                                (:a t-new-val))
                              (defn b-combine [c-state t-name
                    b-
                                                  t-old-val t-new-val]
      combine
                  combine
                                (:b t-new-val))
             total-
                              (defn total-combine [c-state inputs]
            combine
                                (apply + (map :new (vals inputs))))
          App Model Queue
```

([:value [:b-combine] 10 11] [:value [:total-combine] 21 22])

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Emit



- Fn that converts state(s)
 to tree deltas
- Overrides default tree mapping





Emit

```
{msg/topic :count-transform msg/type :inc :key :b}
           Input Queue
   App
                           (defn counter-emit
                             ([inputs] [{:counter {:a {:value 0}}
            count-
                                                      :b {:value 0}}}])
           transform
                             ([inputs changed-inputs]
                                (concat []
        a-
                   b-
                                   (when (changed-inputs :a-combine)
      combine
                 combine
                                     [[:value [:counter :a]
                                       (-> inputs :a-view :new)]])
                                   (when (changed-inputs :b-combine)
            counter-
                                     [[:value [:counter :b]
             emit
                                       (-> inputs :b-view :new)]]))))
          App Model Queue
([:value [:counter :b] 11 12])
```

Messages in a flow

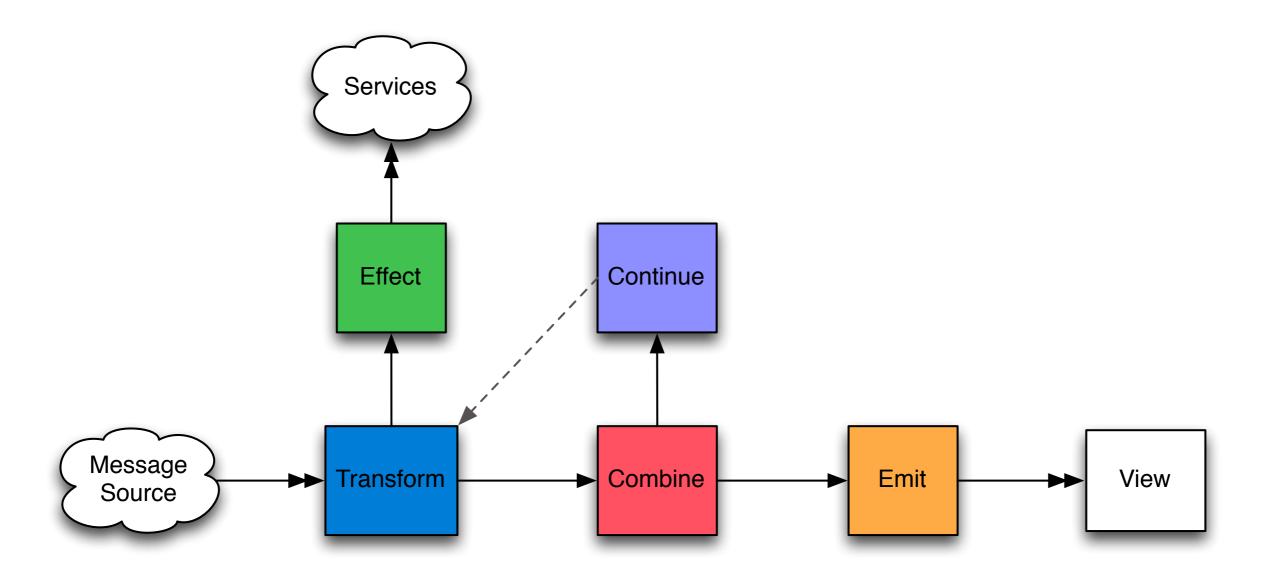
- Effect fn
 - transform or combine state input
 - msgs for services output
 - queued after flow

- Continue fn
 - combine state input
 - msgs for transforms output
 - sent during flow





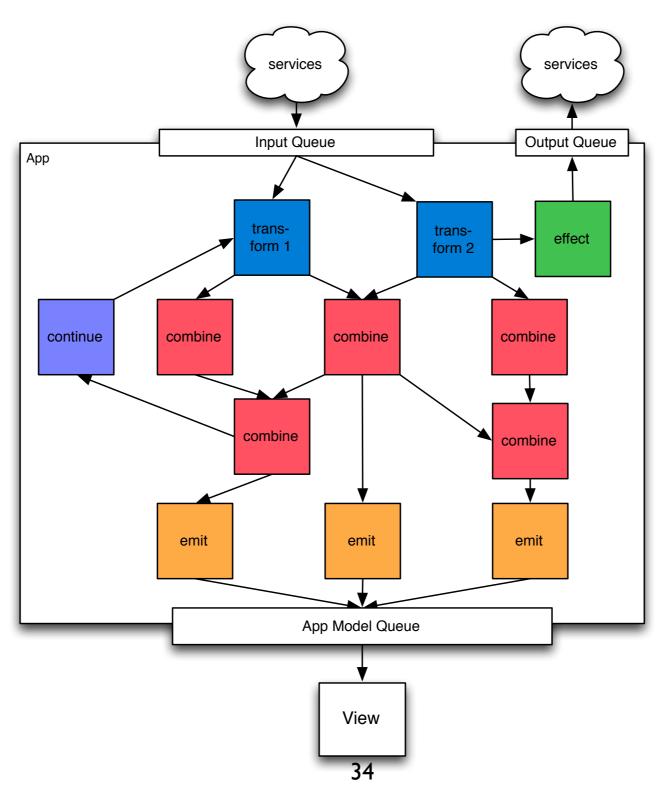
All the pieces...







...put together

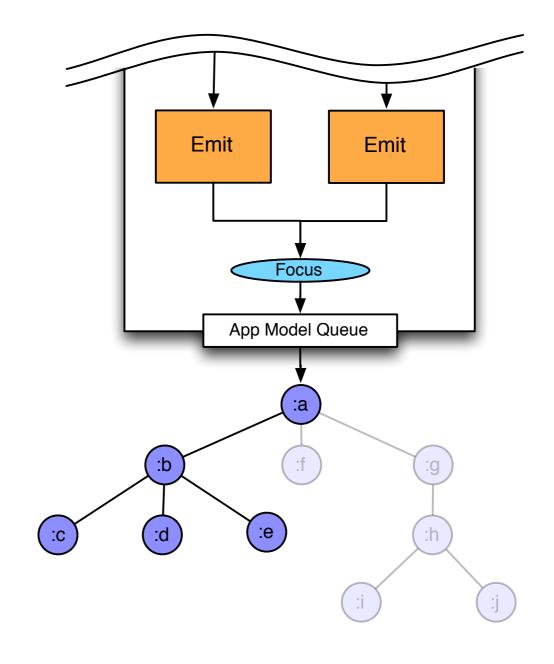




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Focus

- Focus filters deltas
 - by name
 - by path
- Set by consumer
 - defaults to all
- Helpful "navigtion"







Benefits of data flow

- Write small pure fns
- No big comparator
- Let engine track state changes
- Only the necessary fns get called
- Projects all the way out to consumer





Making an App

```
(def counter-dataflow
  {:transform {:count-transform {:init {:a 0 :b 0}}
                                   :fn transform-count}}
   :combine {:a-combine {:fn a-combine
                           :inputs #{:count-transform}}
              :b-combine {:fn b-combine
                           :inputs #{:count-transform}}}
   :emit {:counter-emit {:fn counter-emit
                           :inputs #{:a-combine :b-combine}}})
                                                          Input Queue
                                                   App
(def app (app/build counter-dataflow))
                                                           count-
                                                           transform
                                 37
```

Consuming App Output

- App produces logical tree deltas
- Provide a fn to consume them

```
(defn console-renderer [out]
  (fn [deltas input-queue]
        (binding [*out* out]
              (doseq [d deltas] (println d)))))
(def app-model
        (render/consume-app-model app (console-renderer *out*)))
(app/begin app)
```





View Model

- Encapsulate presentation logic and state
- Input: deltas from logical app tree
- Output: messages
- Implemented as fn(s) that
 - update UI
 - handle events





Push Renderers

- Map tree deltas to fns
- Maintain structure for portion(s) of tree in focus

```
(def render-config
   [[:node-create [
     render-page] ←
    [:value [:counter :a]
     render-a-view]
    [:value [:counter :b]
     render-b-view]])
(def app-model
  (render/consume-app-model
    app
    (push/renderer
      render-config)))
```





Simple render fns

```
(defn render-page
  [renderer [op path old-value new-value] input-queue]
  (dom/append! (dom/by-id "content") "<h1 id=\"a\">a</h1>")
  (dom/append! (dom/by-id "content") "<h1 id=\"b\">b</h1>"))

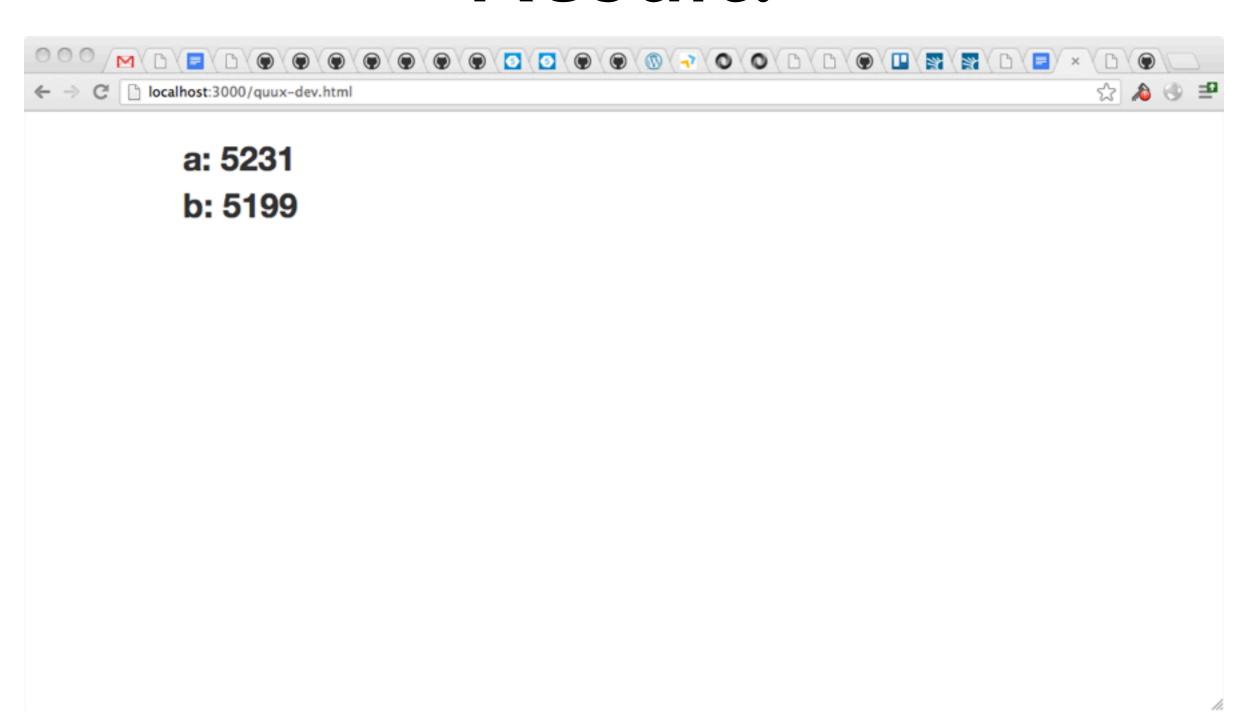
(defn render-a-view
  [renderer [op path old-value new-value] input-queue]
    (dom/set-text! (dom/by-id "a") (str "a: " new-value)))

(defn render-b-view
  [renderer [op path old-value new-value] input-queue]
    (dom/set-text! (dom/by-id "b") (str "b: " new-value)))
```





Result!







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App / View Benefits

- Clean separation of concerns
- Build, test app outside browser
- Generic data renderer can drive app before
 Ul is ready
- Record/playback changes to build, test, debug rendering code





Getting Started

- Run chat sample, look at app and service code
- lein new pedestal-service my-service
- lein new pedestal-app my-app





Thanks!

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