

Web Programming

Week 5

"Unfortunately, JS has a misfeature called Automated Semicolon Insertion. It can fail in bad ways, so write like a professional."

Douglas Crockford, "How JavaScript works."

Retrospective

What we did

What we did **not**

Pair, Product Type

```
const pair = x => y => f => f(x)(y);  
const fst  = p => p(T);  
const snd  = p => p(F);
```

the basic product type

Either, Co-Product, Sum

```
const Left    = x => f => g => f(x);           // ctor 1  
const Right   = x => f => g => g(x);           // ctor 2  
const either  = e => f => g => e(f)(g);       // accessor
```

the basic sum type

Special Case: Maybe

```
const Nothing = Left ();  
const Just    = Right  ;  
const maybe  = either ;
```

```
maybe (expressionThatMightGoWrong)  
      (handleBad)  
      (handleGood);
```

go around null / undefined

New Concepts

`pair + pair == pair` `// monoid`

`map (f) (pair) == pair` `// functor`

*Immutability,
Laziness*

We did not

use a build system

depend on libraries, frameworks

use a module system

depend on special IDE features

Today: Scripting

Progressive Web App for Testing

General-purpose function plotter

Excel in the browser

Quiz

What is Scripting?

Evaluating text

Sources: file, URL, DB, User Input, ...

Text can be modified, amended, ect. !

Why Scripting?

Command Line, Automation, Build System, Templating, Code Distribution, Formulae, Business Rules, Smart Configuration, Product Lines, DSL, **Self-Modifying Code**, ...

Scripting Characteristics

Interpreted, not compiled (in principle)

Lenient type system

"Best Effort" approach

Progressive Web App

<script> tag static

<script> tag dynamically added

Code, that produces code,
gets interpreted,
and thereby produces code, that

Just like a virus

Progressive Web App

Example:

Loading test suite dynamically

```
document.write( '<script src= ...' );
```

Function Plotter: eval

`eval()` works as if the code was copied verbatim in the place of the `eval`, i.e. you share the scope.

`eval`('some code'); *side effecting code!*

Function Plotter: Function

avoid side effects!

Function() is like eval() but declares parameters and executes in the global scope. It creates a reference.

```
const add = Function('x','y','return x+y');  
add(1, 2);  
add(2, 3); // no need to re-parse
```


Excel

Note that DOM elements with id="x" appear under the reference x.

Scripting Caution

Especially in JavaScript you cannot exclude possibly harmful side effects from scripts that are loaded from foreign sources.

-> Privacy, Security, Stability

Scripting Caution

"Architecture" of self-modifying code
from unreliable sources:

AJAX, PWA, Mashup, "MicroFW", ...

Licenses often require dynamic loading
(Google, Facebook, etc.) !

Scripting Caution

**"Gives you enough rope
to hang yourself."
-- James Strachan**

To Do at Home

Complete the Plotter and Excel.

Context in JavaScript (Adam Breindel):

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLndbWGuLoHea6b3g3fY77U47RiryT2Sr5)

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[T2Sr5](https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLndbWGuLoHea6b3g3fY77U47RiryT2Sr5) (all 4 parts! total 25 min)