Mobile Applications CSCI 448 Lecture 34

Jetpack Compose
Side Effects



Learning Outcomes For Today

Explain when Compose Side Effects should be used

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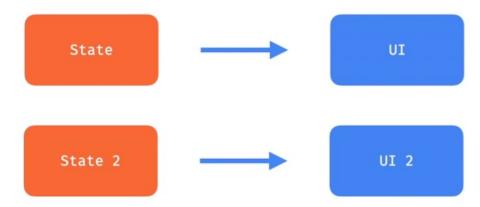
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Compose

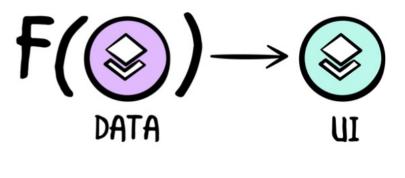
- UI is immutable: there are no objects
 - But UI is dynamic
 - Different inputs → Different UI
- UI is **idempotent**



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 emit UI
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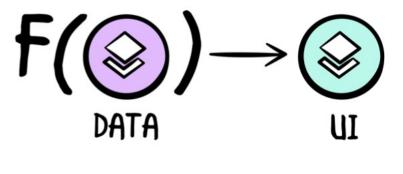
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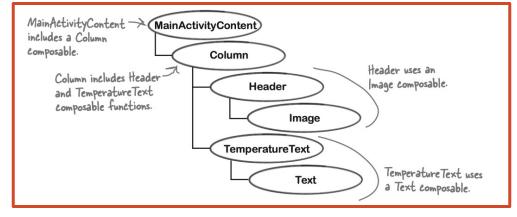
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Recomposing

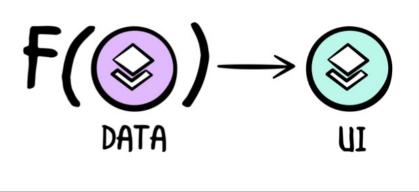
- Functions that take data (state) as parameters and emit UI
- If state changes, function is called again with new parameters and emits new UI
 - Compose compiler observes data and only remakes
 UI that has changed



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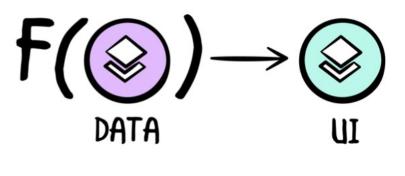
Run In Any Order

```
@Composable
fun ButtonRow() {
         MyFancyNavigation {
              StartScreen()
              MiddleScreen()
              EndScreen()
          }
}
```

- Can't have StartScreen() set some global (a side effect) and have MiddleScreen() depend on it
- Each composable function needs to be self contained

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Not Side Effect Free

```
@Composable
@Deprecated("Example with bug")
fun ListWithBug(myList: List<String>) {
   var items = 0
    Row(horizontalArrangement = Arrangement.SpaceBetween) {
        Column {
            for (item in myList) {
                Text("Item: $item")
                items++ // Side-effect of the column recomposing
        Text("Count: $items")
```

- If Column recomposes, items continues to increment
- Text remains the same though

Side Effect Free

```
@Composable
fun ListComposable(myList: List<String>) {
    Row(horizontalArrangement = Arrangement.SpaceBetween) {
        Column {
            for (item in myList) {
                Text("Item: $item")
            }
        }
        Text("Count: ${myList.size}")
    }
}
```

 If myList changes, ListComposable recomposes which recomposes Column and Text

However



• There can be needs to mutate the state

- Do it from a controlled environment
 - Use the Effect APIs

LaunchedEffect

- Runs suspend functions in scope of a composable as a coroutine
 - When LaunchedEffect leaves composition, coroutine cancelled
 - If LaunchedEffect key changes, existing coroutine cancelled and new coroutine launched
- Use case: one-time per composition actions
- Use case: a state change triggers a second required state change

LaunchedEffect

```
LaunchedEffect(null) {
  // will run once
  // can be used with splash screens
LaunchedEffect(state.value) {
  // will run whenever state's value changes
  // can trigger additional dependent
  // state changes
```

Splash Screen

```
@Composable
fun ScreenWithSplash() {
 val showSplash = remember { mutableStateOf(true) }
  LaunchedEffect(null) {
    // will run once
    // can be used with splash screens
    delay(3000L) // 3 seconds, set for length of splash
    showSplash.value = false
  if (showSplash.value) {
    // draw splash screen
  } else {
    // draw regular screen
```

Demo

• Samodelkin Splash Screen!

State Changes

```
LaunchedEffect(locationState.value) {
    // will run whenever state's value changes
    // can trigger additional dependent
    // state changes
    locationUtility.getAddress(locationState.value)
}
```

LaunchedEffect

```
LaunchedEffect(state.value, state2.value) {
    // will run whenever state's value or
    // state2's value changes
}
```

DisposableEffect

- When an effect requires cleanup upon completion/cancellation
 - Must end with onDispose block

```
DisposableEffect(value) {
    // create observer
    // do some work
    onDispose {
        // remove observer
    }
}
```

SideEffect

- Runs upon successful Composition
 - Can be used to share Compose state with object not managed by Compose

```
SideEffect {
   // do some work after composing
}
```

To Do For Next Time

- Beta Feedback due tomorrow
- Lab11 due Monday
- A3 due Tuesday