

# READY, SET, CLOJURE!

Building Beautiful Abstractions with Lisp

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# WHY CLOJURE?

- Built on top of a solid foundation (JVM)
- Full interoperability with the host platform(s)\*
- Immutable by default
- Well controlled mutation when necessary
- Mostly functional
- Brings all the expressiveness and power of LISP

# WHAT WE WILL COVER

- Clojure basics
- Clojure's built in test framework (`clojure.test`)
- Java Interoperability
- Polymorphism
- Macros
- Leiningen

WHAT PROBLEM ARE WE  
TRYING TO SOLVE?



redis

SURELY SOMEBODY ALREADY  
SOLVED THIS PROBLEM?

# CURRENT LIBRARIES

- Accession
- clj-redis
- Carmine
- redis-clojure
- labs-redis-clojure

# GETTING STARTED

```
$ lein new yow
$ cd yow
$ mkdir script
$ touch script/bootstrap
$ chmod +x script/bootstrap
```

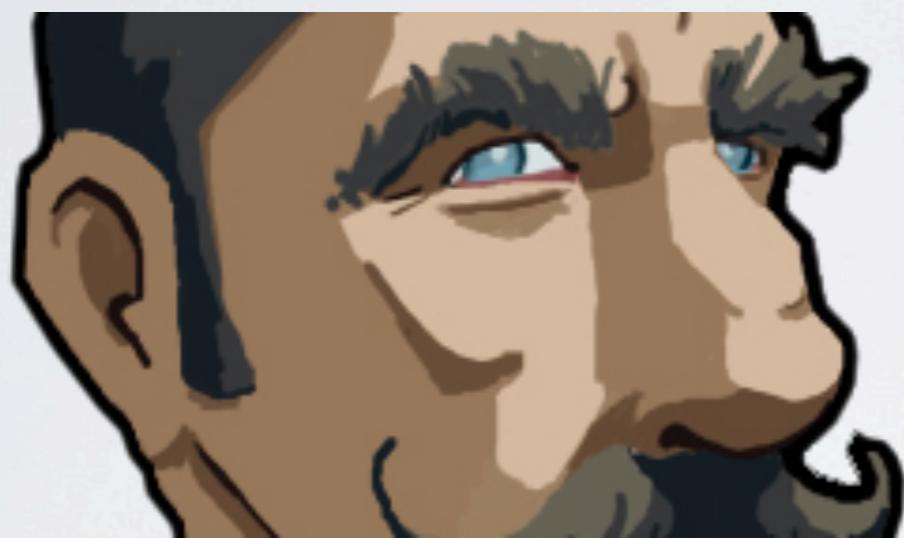
```
REDIS_VERSION=2.6.4
URL=http://redis.googlecode.com/files/
$REDIS_VERSION.tar.gz

if [ ! -d "vendor" ]; then
    mkdir vendor
    pushd vendor
    if which wget > /dev/null; then
        wget $URL
    else
        curl -O $URL
    fi
    tar xvf $REDIS_VERSION.tar.gz
    pushd $REDIS_VERSION
    make
    popd
    popd
fi
```

```
if [ ! -d "config" ]; then
    mkdir config
    cp vendor/$REDIS_VERSION/redis.conf config/
fi

if [ ! -d "bin" ]; then
    mkdir bin
    cp vendor/$REDIS_VERSION/src/redis-server bin/
    cp vendor/$REDIS_VERSION/src/redis-cli bin/
fi
```

```
$ tree
|-- README.md
|-- bin
|   |-- redis-cli
|   `-- redis-server
|-- config
|   '-- redis.conf
|-- project.clj
|-- script
|   |-- bootstrap
|-- src
|   '-- yow
|       '-- core.clj
|-- test
|   '-- yow
|       '-- core_test.clj
`-- vendor
    '-- redis-2.6.4
```



Leiningen

# THE GOODNESS\* OF MAVEN WRAPPED IN CLOJURE

\*YMMV

```
(defproject yow "0.1.0-SNAPSHOT"
  :description "A Redis Adapter"
  :url "http://github.com/abedra/yow-2012"
  :license {:name "Eclipse Public License"
            :url "http://www.eclipse.org/legal/epl-v10.html"}
  :dependencies [[org.clojure/clojure "1.4.0"]
                [org.clojure/data.json "0.2.0"]])
```

# THE REDIS UNIFIED PROTOCOL

```
*<number of arguments> CR LF
$<number of bytes of argument 1> CR LF
<argument data> CR LF
...
$<number of bytes of argument N> CR LF
<argument data> CR LF
```

```
*3
$3
SET
$5
mykey
$7
myvalue
```

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# CLOJURE'S BUILT IN TEST FRAMEWORK

```
(defn hello
  [name]
  (str "Hello " name "!"))
```

```
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  [name]
  (str "Hello " name "!"))

(deftest test-hello
  (is (= "Hello Yow!" (hello "Yow"))))
```

LET'S TURN THE PROTOCOL  
EXAMPLE INTO A TEST!

```
(deftest test-command
  (testing "Produces proper SET command"
    (is (= "*3\r\n$3\r\nSET\r\n$5\r\nmykey\r
\n$7\r\nmyvalue\r\n"
           (command "set"
                     "mykey"
                     "myvalue")))))
```

# IMPLEMENTATION TIME

```
(defn command
  [name & args]
  (let [crlf "\r\n"]
    (str "*" (inc (count args)) crlf
          "$" (count name) crlf
          (str/upper-case name) crlf
          (str/join crlf
                     (map
                       (fn [arg]
                         (str "$" (count arg) crlf arg)))
                     args))
          crlf))))
```

Testing yow.core-test

Ran 1 tests containing 1 assertions.  
0 failures, 0 errors.

# JAVA INTEROP IN CLOJURE

```
user> (import '(java.net Socket))
;-> java.net.Socket
user> (Socket.)
;-> #<Socket Socket[unconnected]>
user> (Socket. "localhost" 6379)
;-> #<Socket Socket[addr=localhost/
127.0.0.1,port=6379,localport=45284]>
user> (def s (Socket. "localhost" 6379))
;-> #'user/s
user> (.setKeepAlive s true)
;-> nil
user> (.getKeepAlive s)
;-> true
```

# HELLO REDIS!

```
(defn- socket
  []
  (doto (Socket. "localhost" 6379)
    (.setTcpNoDelay true)
    (.setKeepAlive true)))

(defn request
  [command]
  (with-open [socket (socket)
             in (DataInputStream.
                   (BufferedInputStream.
                     (.getInputStream socket)))
             out (.getOutputStream socket)]
    (.write out (.getBytes command))
  (println in)))
```

```
user> (request (command "set" "foo" "bar"))
;-> #<DataInputStream java.io.DataInputStream@580a00fd>

$ bin/redis-cli get foo
"bar"
```

# POLYMORPHISM IN CLOJURE

# EXAMPLES

- Most core datastructures implemented using Java Interfaces
- Interface generation via **proxy** & **reify**
- Protocols
- Multimethods

```
(defmulti encounter
  (fn [x y]
    [(:Species x) (:Species y)]))

(defmethod encounter [:Bunny :Lion] [b l] :run-away)
(defmethod encounter [:Lion :Bunny] [b l] :eat)
(defmethod encounter [:Lion :Lion] [b l] :fight)
(defmethod encounter [:Bunny :Bunny] [b l] :mate)
```

```
(def b1 {:Species :Bunny :other :stuff})  
(def b2 {:Species :Bunny :other :stuff})  
(def l1 {:Species :Lion :other :stuff})  
(def l2 {:Species :Lion :other :stuff})  
  
(encounter b1 b2)  
;=> :mate  
(encounter b1 l1)  
;=> :run-away  
(encounter l1 b1)  
;=> :eat  
(encounter l1 l2)  
;=> :fight
```

# THE REDIS RESPONSE STRUCTURE

Redis will reply to commands with different kinds of replies. It is possible to check the kind of reply from the first byte sent by the server:

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```
(defmulti response
  (fn [in] (char (.readByte in))))

(defmethod response \- [in]
  (.readLine in))

(defmethod response \+ [in]
  (.readLine in))

(defmethod response \: [in]
  (Long/parseLong (.readLine in)))

(defmethod response \$ [in]
  (.readLine in)
  (.readLine in))

(defmethod response \* [in]
  (throw (UnsupportedOperationException.
          "Not Yet Implemented")))
```

```
user> (request (command "set" "foo" "bar"))  
;-> "OK"
```

```
user> (request (command "get" "foo"))  
;-> "bar"
```

```
;; Examples taken from http://try.redis-db.com/
(deftest test-basic-interaction
  (testing "SET then GET"
    (is (= "OK" (request (command "set" "server:name" "fido")))))
    (is (= "fido" (request (command "get" "server:name")))))
  (testing "INCR"
    (request (command "set" "connections" "10")))
    (is (= 11 (request (command "incr" "connections")))))
  (testing "DEL"
    (is (= 1 (request (command "del" "connections"))))))
```

Testing yow.core-test

Ran 2 tests containing 5 assertions.

0 failures, 0 errors.

# REDIS.IO/COMMANDS

```
(ns yow.commands
  (:use [clojure.data.json :only (read-str)]))

(defn fetch-redis-commands
  []
  (map first
    (read-str
      (slurp "https://raw.github.com/antirez/redis-doc/master/commands.json"))))

user> (count (fetch-redis-commands))
;-> 144
```

ZREM ZREMRANGEBYRANK PUNSUBSCRIBE BRPOP BITCOUNT SET PEXPIREAT  
FLUSHDB BGSAVEZRANGE SLOWLOG SCARD HDEL HSETNX STRLEN CONFIG SET  
HEXISTS SMOVE SUNIONSTORE ZINCRBY CONFIG RESETSTAT LINsert  
BRPOPLPUSH ECHO PSETEX LPOP SMEMBERS LPUSH ZRANK LINdex RPOPLPUSH  
DECRBY ZREVRANGEBYSCORE BLPOP ZADD SREM GETRANGE RENAMENX AUTH  
HINCRBYFLOAT SINTER SDIFFSTORE LLEN MGET SUBSCRIBE ZCARD SETBIT  
MIGRATE INCRBY DEL GETSET SETNX DEBUG OBJECT TTL RPUSH ZUNIONSTORE  
RPUSHX HLEN TIME LREM INFO SLAVEOF HGET RESTORE LTRIM SADD BITOP  
WATCH PUBLISH PEXPIRE QUIT SCRIPT FLUSH DECR EVALSHA HMGET LRANGE  
EXEC SCRIPT EXISTS INCRBYFLOAT UNSUBSCRIBE BGREWRITEAOF MOVE PING  
EXPIREAT SRANDMEMBER LPUSHX HGETALL LASTSAVE SCRIPT KILL HINCRBY  
CLIENT KILL CLIENT LIST INCR ZREVRANGE PERSIST KEYS DUMP SETEX  
ZCOUNT MSET ZREVRANK LSET UNWATCH SHUTDOWN GET SISMEMBER GETBIT  
CONFIG GET SINTERSTOREZRANGEBYSCORE ZSCORE SDIFF MULTI MONITOR  
HVALS DEBUG SEGFAULT PSUBSCRIBE HSET APPEND TYPE SETRANGE SYNC  
SCRIPT LOAD EXISTS EVAL SELECT SUNION HKEYS RANDOMKEY PTTL  
FLUSHALL HMSET SAVE DISCARD SPOP SORT ZREMRANGEBYSCORE RENAME  
RPOP EXPIRE ZINTERSTORE MSETNX DBSIZE OBJECT

```
"BITOP": {
    "summary": "Perform bitwise operations between strings",
    "complexity": "O(N)",
    "arguments": [
        {
            "name": "operation",
            "type": "string"
        },
        {
            "name": "destkey",
            "type": "key"
        },
        {
            "name": "key",
            "type": "key",
            "multiple": true
        }
    ],
    "since": "2.6.0",
    "group": "string"
}
```

HOW SHOULD WE  
IMPLEMENT ALL 144  
COMMANDS?

DO WE WRITE 144  
FUNCTIONS?

HELL NO! WE ABSTRACT!

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING  
DSL...

```
(defcommands
  (set [key value])
  (get [key])
  (incr [key])
  (del [key & keys]))
```

CLOJURE HAS A VERY  
POWERFUL MACRO SYSTEM

YOU CAN ESSENTIALLY  
EXTEND THE COMPILER

BUT REMEMBER THE FIRST  
RULE OF MACRO CLUB!

“Macros are harder to write than ordinary Lisp functions, and it's considered to be bad style to use them when they're not necessary.”

-Paul Graham, “Beating the Averages”

```
;; clojuredocs.org/clojure_core/clojure.core/defmacro
(defmacro unless [pred a b]
  `(~(if (not ~pred) ~a ~b)))

;; usage:
(unless false
  (println "Will print")
  (println "Will not print"))

user> (macroexpand-1
         '(unless false
            (println "Will print")
            (println "Will not print")))
;; (if (clojure.core/not false)
;;     (println "Will print")
;;     (println "Will not print"))
```

# LETS BRING OUR DSL TO LIFE

```
(defmacro defcommand
  [name params]
  (let [p (parameters params)]
    `(defn ~name ~params
       (apply
        command ~(str com) ~@p))))
```

```
user> (macroexpand-1 '(defcommand set [key value]))  
;; (clojure.core/defn set  
;;   [key value]  
;;   (clojure.core/apply  
;;     yow.core/command "set" key value nil))
```

```
user> (macroexpand-1 '(defcommand del [key & keys]))  
;; (clojure.core/defn del  
;;   [key & keys]  
;;   (clojure.core/apply  
;;     yow.core/command "del" key keys))
```

```
(defmacro defcommands
  [& commands]
  ` (do ~@ (map (fn [c] `(defcommand ~@c)) commands)))
```

```
(defmacro defcommands
  [& commands]
  `(~@(map (fn [c] `(defcommand ~@c)) commands)))  
  
user> (macroexpand-1
         '(defcommands (set [set value]) (del [key & keys])))  
;; (do  
;;   (yow.core/defcommand set [set value])  
;;   (yow.core/defcommand del [key & keys]))
```

```
(defmacro defcommands
  [& commands]
  `(~@(do ~(map (fn [c] `(defcommand ~@c)) commands)))))

user> (macroexpand-1
         '(defcommands (set [set value]) (del [key & keys])))
;; (do
;;   (yow.core/defcommand set [set value])
;;   (yow.core/defcommand del [key & keys]))

user> (clojure.walk/macroexpand-all
         '(defcommands (set [set value]) (del [key & keys])))
;; (do
;;   (def set
;;     (fn* ([set value]
;;           (clojure.core/apply
;;             yow.core/command "set" set value nil)))
;;   (def del
;;     (fn* ([key & keys]
;;           (clojure.core/apply
;;             yow.core/command "del" key keys))))
```

# CLEANING UP

```
(ns yow.core
  (:refer-clojure :exclude [set get])
  (:require [clojure.string :as str])
  (:import (java.net Socket)
           (java.io BufferedInputStream DataInputStream)))
;; Prefer require over use so that you don't have to propagate the
;; :refer-clojure into every namespace that pulls the library in
user> (require '[yow.core :as redis])
;-> nil
user> (redis/request (redis/set "foo" "bar"))
;-> "OK"
user> (redis/request (redis/get "foo"))
;-> "bar"
```

WITH THIS WE'RE OFF TO A  
GREAT START!

WE'VE CREATED A REDIS  
INTERACTION LIBRARY IN  
UNDER 80 LINES OF CODE

BUT IT'S FAR FROM FINISHED

PERHAPS WE COULD EVEN  
AUTOMATE TRACKING THE  
COMMANDS!

```
(defn fetch-redis-commands
  []
  (read-str
    (slurp "https://raw.github.com/antirez/redis-doc/master/
commands.json")))

user> (def com-list (fetch-redis-commands))
#'user/com-list
user> (pprint (first com-list))
;; ["ZREM"
;;  {"summary" "Remove one or more members from a sorted set",
;;   "complexity"
;;   "O(M*log(N)) with N being the number of elements in the
sorted set and M the number of elements to be removed.",
;;   "arguments"
;;   [{"name" "key", "type" "key"}
;;    {"name" "member", "type" "string", "multiple" true}],
;;   "since" "1.2.0",
;;   "group" "sorted_set"}]
```

```
(defmacro define-command [command]
  (let [command (eval command)
        name (.toLowerCase (first command)))
        data (second command)
        docstring (str (data "summary")
                        "\n" "Complexity: "
                        (data "complexity")))
        arguments (vec (apply symbol
                               (map #(= % "name") (data "arguments")))))
        varargs? (some #(= % "multiple")
                        (flatten (map keys (data "arguments")))))
        since (data "since")
        group (data "group")]
    `(~(symbol name) ~docstring ~arguments
      (apply command ~name ~arguments))))
```

```
user> #'zrem
;; CompilerException java.lang.RuntimeException: Unable to resolve
;; var: zrem in this context, compiling:(NO_SOURCE_PATH:1)
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;-> #'user/zrem
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user> (zrem "foo" "bar")
;-> "*3\r\n$4\r\nZREM\r\n$3\r\nfoo\r\n$3\r\nbar\r\n"
```

BUT IT'S FAR FROM FINISHED

YOU WILL HAVE TO USE YOUR  
NEW CLOJURE POWERS TO  
COMPLETE THIS EXERCISE

MAY THE () BE WITH YOU

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