# Game Programming using Functional Reactive Programming

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# Functional Reactive Programming

- Explicitly model time.
- ▶ Declarative style. Focus the programmer on *what* we want the computer to do instead of *how* to do it.
- The reactive parts are superficially similar to the Observer Pattern.

Model continuous behaviors and discrete events. Behaviors react to events.

#### Netwire

- Author: Ertugrul Söylemez
- ▶ https://hackage.haskell.org/package/netwire
- ▶ Model behaviors as Wire.
- ▶ Model events as Event.

#### Wire

Wire is Netwire's model for behavior.

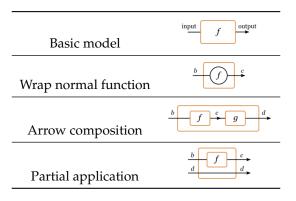
#### Wire instantiates

- Category
- ► Arrow
- Functor
- ► Applicative
- and more...

#### Produce/Inhibit

Wires are either producing or inhibiting.

## Arrows<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>https://www.haskell.org/arrows/

#### Arrow funs

```
1 arr :: Arrow a => (b -> c) -> a b c

2 (>>>) :: Arrow a => a b c -> a c d -> a b d

3 first :: Arrow a => a b c -> a (b, d) (c, d)

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5 (&&&) :: Arrow a => a b c -> a b d -> a b (c, d)
```

## Behaviors (continuous)

```
1 time :: Wire a t
2 for :: t -> Wire a a
3 arr (*2) :: Num a => Wire a a
```

## Events (discrete)

# Switching

```
1 (-->) :: Wire a b -> Wire a b -> Wire a b
2
3 a, b :: Wire a
4
5 a --> b -- a until inhibit, then b
```

### Goal

