

ClojureScript ReactJS


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Agenda


- Part 1: ClojureScript
- Part 2: ClojureScript  ReactJS

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Part 1: ClojureScript



Current status

- JavaScript is everywhere, but not a robust and concise language - [wat](#)
Requires discipline to only use "the good parts"
- JavaScript is taking over: UI logic from server to client
- JavaScript is not going away in the near future
- Advanced libraries and technologies exist to optimize JavaScript: (example: Google Closure)

ClojureScript

- Released June 20th 2011
- Client side story of Clojure ecosystem
- Serves Clojure community:
 - 50%* of Clojure users also use ClojureScript
 - 93%** of ClojureScript users also use Clojure
- ClojureScript targets JavaScript by adopting Google Closure
 - libraries: `goog.provide/require` etc.
 - optimization: dead code removal

*<http://cemerick.com/2013/11/18/results-of-the-2013-state-of-clojure-clojurescript-survey/>

**<http://blog.cognitect.com/blog/2014/10/24/analysis-of-the-state-of-clojure-and-clojurescript-survey-2014>

Syntax

$f(x) \rightarrow (f\ x)$

Syntax

```
if (...) {  
    ...  
} else {  
    ...  
}
```

->

```
(if . . .  
    . . .  
    . . .)
```

Syntax

```
var foo = "bar";
```

```
(def foo "bar")
```

JavaScript - ClojureScript

```
// In JavaScript  
// locals are mutable
```

```
function foo(x) {  
  x = "bar";  
}
```

```
;; this will issue an  
;; error
```

```
(defn foo [x]  
  (set! x "bar"))
```

JavaScript - ClojureScript

```
if (bugs.length > 0) {  
  return 'Not ready for release';  
} else {  
  return 'Ready for release';  
}
```

```
(if (pos? (count bugs))  
  "Not ready for release"  
  "Ready for release")
```

JavaScript - ClojureScript

```
var foo = {bar: "baz"};  
foo.bar = "baz";  
foo["abc"] = 17;
```

```
alert('foo')  
new Date().getTime()  
new Date().getTime().toString()
```

```
(def foo (js-obj "bar" "baz"))  
(set! (.bar foo) "baz")  
(aset foo "abc" 17)
```

```
(js/alert "foo")  
(.getTime (js/Date.))  
(.. (js/Date.) (getTime) (toString))
```

Core language features

- persistent immutable data structures
- functional programming
- sequence abstraction
- isolation of mutable state (atoms)
- Lisp: macros, REPL
- `core.async`

Persistent data structures

```
(def v [1 2 3])  
(conj v 4) ;; => [1 2 3 4]  
(get v 0)  ;; => 1  
(v 0)      ;; => 1
```


Persistent data structures

```
(def m {:foo 1 :bar 2})  
(assoc m :foo 2) ;; => {:foo 2 :bar 2}  
(get m :foo) ;;=> 1  
(m :foo) ;;=> 1  
(:foo m) ;;=> 1  
(dissoc m :foo) ;;=> {:bar 2}
```

Functional programming

```
(def r (->>
      (range 10)      ;; (0 1 2 .. 9)
      (filter odd?)   ;; (1 3 5 7 9)
      (map inc)))     ;; (2 4 6 8 10)
;; r is (2 4 6 8 10)
```

Functional programming

;; r is (2 4 6 8 10)

(reduce + r)

;; => 30

(reductions + r)

;; => (2 6 12 20 30)

```
var sum = _.reduce(r, function(memo, num){ return memo + num; });
```

Sequence abstraction

Data structures as seqs

(`first` [1 2 3]) ;;=> 1

(`rest` [1 2 3]) ;;=> (2 3)

General seq functions: `map`, `reduce`, `filter`, ...

(`distinct` [1 1 2 3]) ;;=> (1 2 3)

(`take` 2 (`range` 10)) ;;=> (0 1)

See <http://clojure.org/cheatsheet> for more

Sequence abstraction

Most seq functions return lazy sequences:

```
(take 2 (map  
  (fn [n] (js/alert n) n)  
  (range)))
```

side effect

infinite lazy sequence of numbers

Mutable state: atoms

```
(def my-atom (atom 0))  
@my-atom ;; 0  
(reset! my-atom 1)  
(reset! my-atom (inc @my-atom)) ;; bad idiom  
(swap! my-atom (fn [old-value]  
                  (inc old-value)))  
(swap! my-atom inc) ;; same  
@my-atom ;; 4
```

Isolation of state

one of possible
pre-React patterns

```
(def app-state (atom []))  
  
(declare rerender)  
  
(add-watch app-state ::rerender  
  (fn [k a o n]  
    (rerender o n)))
```

function called
from event
handler

```
(defn add-todo [text]  
  (let [tt (.trim text)]  
    (if (seq tt)  
      (swap! app-state conj  
        {:id (get-uuid)  
         :title tt  
         :completed false}))))
```

new todo

adapted from: <https://github.com/dfuenzalida/todo-cljs>

Lisp: macros

```
(map inc  
  (filter odd?  
    (range 10))))
```

thread last macro

```
(->>  
  (range 10)  
  (filter odd?)  
  (map inc))
```


Lisp: macros

```
(macroexpand  
  '(->> (range 10) (filter odd?)))
```

```
; ; => (filter odd? (range 10))
```

```
(macroexpand  
  '(->> (range 10) (filter odd?) (map inc)))
```

```
; ; => (map inc (filter odd? (range 10)))
```

Lisp: macros

JVM Clojure:

```
(defmacro defonce [x init]
  `(when-not (exists? ~x)
    (def ~x ~init)))
```

ClojureScript:

```
(defonce foo 1)
(defonce foo 2) ;; no effect
```

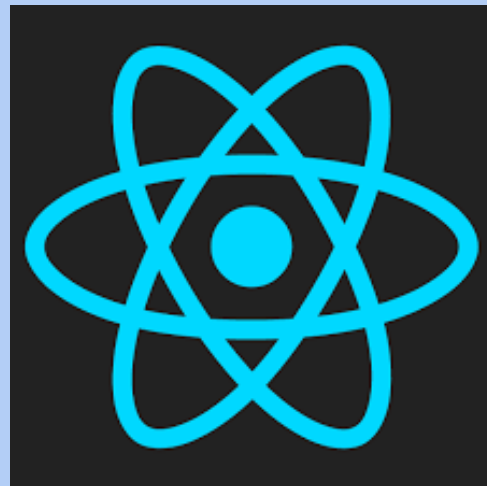
notes:

- macros must be written in JVM Clojure
- are expanded at compile time
- generated code gets executes in ClojureScript

core.async

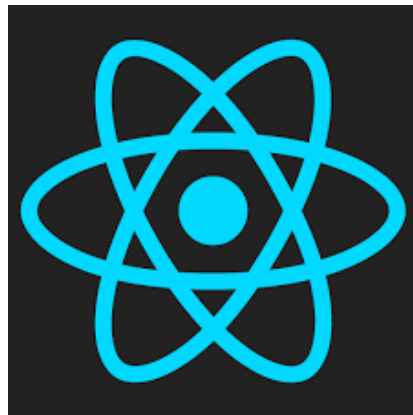
```
(go (let [email (:body
                  (<! (http/get
                      (str "/api/users/"
                          "123"
                          "/email"))))
          orders (:body
                  (<! (http/get
                      (str
                       "/api/orders-by-email/"
                       email)))]
    (count orders)))
```

Part 2:

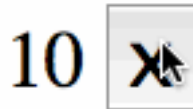


React

- Developed by Facebook
- Helps building reusable and composable UI components
- Leverages virtual DOM for performance
- Can render on server to make apps crawlable
- JSX templating language



```
var Counter = React.createClass({
  getInitialState: function() {
    return {counter: this.props.initialCount};
  },
  inc: function() {
    this.setState({counter: this.state.counter + 1});
  },
  render: function() {
    return <div>
      {this.state.counter}
      <button onClick={this.inc}>x</button>
    </div>;
  }
});
```



```
React.renderComponent(<Counter initialCount={10}/>, document.body);
```

Reagent

ClojureScript interface to React

- Uses special atoms for state
- Data literals for templating

Components are **functions** that

- **must** return something renderable by React
- **can** deref atom(s)
- **can** accept props as args
- **may** return a closure, useful for setting up initial state



Data literals

Symbol: :a

Vector: [1 2 3 4]

Hash map: { :a 1, :b 2 }

Set: #{1 2 3 4}

List: '(1 2 3 4)

Hiccup syntax

```
[ :a { :href "/logout" }  
  "Logout" ]
```

```
<a href="/logout">Logout</a>
```

```
[ :div#app.container  
  [ :h2 "Welcome" ] ]
```

```
<div id="app" class="container">  
  <h2>Welcome</h2>  
</div>
```

RAtom

```
(def count-state (atom 10))
```

```
(defn counter []  
  [:div  
    @count-state  
    [:button {:on-click #(swap! count-state inc)}  
      "x"]])
```

```
(reagent/render-component [counter]  
  (js/document.getElementById "app"))
```

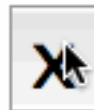
10



```
(defn local-counter [start-value]
  (let [count-state (atom start-value)]
    (fn []
      [:div
       @count-state
       [:button {:on-click #(swap! count-state inc)}
        "x"]]))))
```

local
RAtom

10



```
(reagent/render-component [local-counter 10]
  (js/document.getElementById "app"))
```

CRUD!

Name	Species		
Aardwolf	Proteles cristata	Edit	×
Atlantic salmon	Salmo salar	Edit	×
Curled octopus	Eledone cirrhosa	Edit	×
Dung beetle	Scarabaeus sacer	Edit	×
Gnu	Connochaetes gnou	Edit	×
Horny toad	Phrynosoma cornutum	Edit	×
Painted-snipe	Rostratulidae	Edit	×
Yellow-backed duiker	Cephalophus silvicultor	Edit	×
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Add	

Atom with set containing
animal hash-maps

```
(def animals-state (atom #{}))

(go (let [response
        (<! (http/get "/animals"))
        data (:body response)]
    (reset! animals-state (set data))))
```

```
(...
{:id 2,
 :type :animal,
 :name "Yellow-backed duiker",
 :species "Cephalophus silvicultor"}
{:id 1,
 :type :animal,
 :name "Painted-snipe",
 :species "Rostratulidae"})
```

Render all animals from state

```
(defn animals []  
  [:div  
    [:table.table.table-striped  
      [:thead  
        [:tr  
          [:th "Name"] [:th "Species"] [:th ""] [:th ""]]]  
      [:tbody  
        (map (fn [a]  
              ^{:key (str "animal-row-" (:id a))}  
                [animal-row a])  
              (sort-by :name @animals-state))  
        [animal-form]]]]])
```

animal-row component

```
{:editing? false, :name "Yellow-backed duiker", :species "Cephalophus silvicultor"}
```

Yellow-backed duiker	Cephalophus silvicultor	Edit	x
----------------------	-------------------------	------	---

```
{:editing? true, :name "Yellow-backed pony", :species "Cephalophus silvicultor"}
```

Yellow-backed pony	Cephalophus silvicultor	Save	x
--------------------	-------------------------	------	---

```
(defn animal-row [a]
  (let [row-state (atom {:editing? false
                        :name      (:name a)
                        :species   (:species a)})]
    current-animal (fn []
                     (assoc a
                          :name (:name @row-state)
                          :species (:species @row-state))))]
  (fn []
    [:tr
     [:td [editable-input row-state :name]]
     [:td [editable-input row-state :species]]
     [:td [:button.btn.btn-primary.pull-right
           {:disabled (not (input-valid? row-state))
            :on-click (fn []
                        (when (:editing? @row-state)
                          (update-animal! (current-animal)))
                          (swap! row-state update-in [:editing?] not)))
           (if (:editing? @row-state) "Save" "Edit")]]
     [:td [:button.btn.pull-right.btn-danger
           {:onClick #(remove-animal! (current-animal))}
           "\u00D7"]]]))
```



```
(defn editable-input [atom key]
  (if (:editing? @atom)
    [:input {:type      "text"
              :value     (get @atom key)
              :on-change (fn [e] (swap! atom
                                         assoc key
                                         (... e -target -value))))}]
    [:p (get @atom key)]))
```

```
{:editing? true, :name "Yellow-backed pony", :species "Cephalophus silvicultor"}
```

Save×

```
{:editing? false, :name "Yellow-backed duiker", :species "Cephalophus silvicultor"}
```

Yellow-backed duiker

Cephalophus silvicultor

Edit

×

```

(defn animal-row [a]
  (let [row-state (atom {:editing? false
                        :name      (:name a)
                        :species   (:species a)})]
    current-animal (fn []
                     (assoc a
                          :name (:name @row-state)
                          :species (:species @row-state))))

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            :on-click (fn []
                       (when (:editing? @row-state)
                         (update-animal! (current-animal)))
                         (swap! row-state update-in [:editing?] not)))
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           {:onClick #(remove-animal! (current-animal))}
           "\u00D7"]]])))

```

```
(defn input-valid? [atom]
  (and (seq (-> @atom :name))
        (seq (-> @atom :species)))))
```

Yellow-backed duiker

Cephalophus silvicultor

Save

x

|

Cephalophus silvicultor

Save

x

```

(defn animal-row [a]
  (let [row-state (atom {:editing? false
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                        :species   (:species a)})]
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            :on-click (fn []
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                          (update-animal! (current-animal)))
                          (swap! row-state update-in [:editing?] not)))
           (if (:editing? @row-state) "Save" "Edit")]]
     [:td [:button.btn.pull-right.btn-danger
           {:onClick #(remove-animal! (current-animal))}
           "\u00D7"]]])))

```

```
(defn update-animal! [a]
  (go (let [response
            (<! (http/put (str "/animals/" (:id a))
                          {:edn-params a}))
            updated-animal (:body response)]
    (swap! animals-state
      (fn [old-state]
        (conj
          (remove-by-id old-state (:id a))
          updated-animal)))))))
```

```

(defn animal-row [a]
  (let [row-state (atom {:editing? false
                        :name      (:name a)
                        :species   (:species a)})]
    current-animal (fn []
                     (assoc a
                           :name (:name @row-state)
                           :species (:species @row-state))))
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                          (update-animal! (current-animal)))
                          (swap! row-state update-in [:editing?] not)))
           (if (:editing? @row-state) "Save" "Edit")]]
     [:td [:button.btn.pull-right.btn-danger
           {:onClick #(remove-animal! (current-animal))}
           "\u00D7"]]]))

```

```
(defn remove-animal! [a]
  (go (let [response
            (<! (http/delete (str "/animals/"
                                (:id a))))]
        (if (= (:status response)
                200)
            (swap! animals-state remove-by-id (:id a)))))))
```

if server says:
"OK!", remove
animal from
CRUD table

Exercises

- Sort table by clicking on name or species
- Optimistic updates

Code and slides at:

<https://github.com/borkdude/react-amsterdam>

Learn more at <https://github.com/reagent-project>

Leiningen

- Used by 98% of Clojure users
- Clojure's Maven
- Managing dependencies
- Running a REPL
- Packaging and deploying
- Plugins:
 - lein cljsbuild
 - lein figwheel



Debugging

Source maps let you debug ClojureScript directly from the browser

The screenshot displays a web browser's developer tools interface. On the left, a file explorer shows a directory structure with folders like 'closure', 'cognitect', 'com/cognitect', 'drag', 'goog', 'no/en', 'reagent', and 'webiars'. The file 'main.cljs' is selected under the 'drag' folder. The main pane shows the source code of 'main.cljs', with line 16 highlighted: `(and (< (Math/abs (- x (:x black-hole-pos))) 50)`. Below the code, a status bar indicates 'Line 16, Column 1'. At the bottom, the 'Call Stack' panel is open, showing a list of function calls: 'close_QMARK_' (main.cljs:16), '(anonymous function)' (main.cljs:29), 'goog.events.fireListener' (events.js:741), 'goog.events.handleBrowserEvent_' (events.js:862), and '(anonymous function)' (events.js:276). To the right of the call stack, the 'Scope Variables' panel shows the current scope: 'Local' with 'this: Window', 'x: 197', and 'y: 116', and 'Global' with 'Window'.

```
12 (def black-hole-pos {:x 400 :y 400})
13 (def draggable (atom {:x 100 :y 100 :alive? true}))
14
15 (defn close? [x y]
16   (and (< (Math/abs (- x (:x black-hole-pos))) 50)
17        (< (Math/abs (- y (:y black-hole-pos))) 50)))
18
19 (defn get-client-rect [evt]
20   (let [r (.getBoundingClientRect (.-target evt))]
21     {:left (.-left r), :top (.-top r)}))
22
23 (defn draggable-button []
24   (let [mouse-move-handler
```

Line 16, Column 1

Call Stack	
close_QMARK_	main.cljs:16
(anonymous function)	main.cljs:29
goog.events.fireListener	events.js:741
goog.events.handleBrowserEvent_	events.js:862
(anonymous function)	events.js:276

Scope Variables	Watch Expressions
Local	
▶ this: Window	
x: 197	
y: 116	
▶ Global	
	Window