

# Learn You Some Reactive Programing for Great Good!

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### PROGRAMMING

You're Doing IT COMPLETELY WRONG.



Or "I thought I had a problem. I thought to myself, "I know, I'll solve it with callbacks and events!". have Now problems. two I





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# Reactive Extensions (Rx)

@ReactiveX
http://reactivex.io



Real-Time is Everywhere...



"We choose to go to solve asynchronous programming and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard"



Former US President John F. Kennedy - 1962 [citation needed]

#### Callback Hell

```
function play(movieId, callback) {
   var movieTicket, playError,
        tryFinish = function () {
            if (playError) {
                 callback(playError);
            } else if (movieTicket && player.initialized) {
                 callback(null, ticket);
        };
   if (!player.initialized) {
        player.init(function (error) {
            playError = error;
            tryFinish();
    authorizeMovie( function (error, ticket) {
        playError = error;
        movieTicket = ticket;
        tryFinish();
   });
});
```





#### **Events and the Enemy of the State**

```
var isDown = false, state;
function mousedown (e) {
  isDown = true;
 state = { startX: e.offsetX,
           startY: e.offsetY; }
function mousemove (e) {
 if (!isDown) { return; }
  var delta = { endX: e.clientX - state.startX,
               endY: e.clienyY - state.startY };
 // Now do something with it
function mouseup (e) {
  isDown = false;
 state = null;
```

```
function dispose() {
  elem.removeEventListener('mousedown', mousedown, false);
  elem.removeEventListener('mouseup', mouseup, false);
  doc.removeEventListener('mousemove', mousemove, false);
}
elem.addEventListener('mousedown', mousedown, false);
elem.addEventListener('mouseup', mouseup, false);
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```



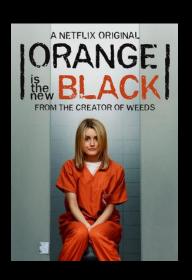


#### **Top-rated Movies Collection**

getTopRatedFilms(me)

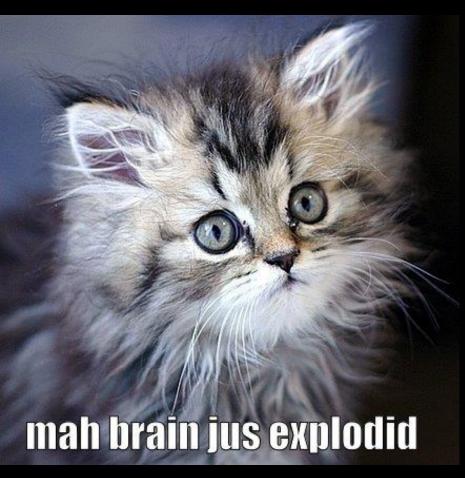
.subscribe(displayMovie);

```
var getTopRatedFilms = function (user) {
   return user.videoLists
    .flatMap(function (videoList) {
      return videoList.videos
         .filter(function (v) { return v.rating === 5; });
   });
}
```





# What if I told you...



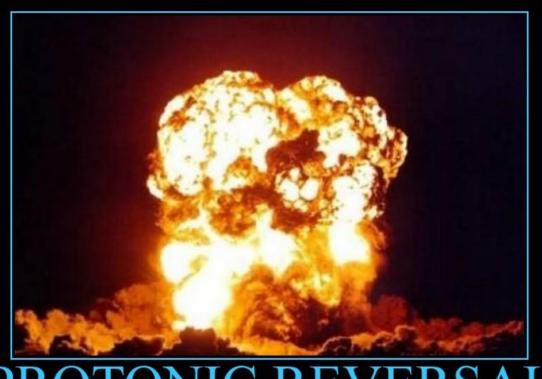
...that you could create a drag event...
...with the almost the same code

#### **Mouse Drags Collection**

```
var getElementDrags = function (elmt) {
  return dom.mousedown(elmt)
    .flatMap(function (md) {
      return dom.mousemove(document)
        .filter .takeUntil(dom.mouseup(elmt));
    });
getElementDrags(image)
  .subscribe(moveImage)
```



#### **Crossing the streams...**



#### PROTONIC REVERSAL

You crossed the streams, didn't you?

#### Oh yes we did!

```
var connectEvent = fromEvent(e, 'connect'),
    dataEvent = fromEvent(e, 'data'),
    errorEvent = fromEvent(e, 'error'),
    endEvent = fromEvent(e, 'end');

var stream = dataEvent
    .merge(errorEvent.flatMap(throwError))
    .skipUntil(connectEvent.amb(errorEvent))
    .takeUntil(endEvent.amb(errorEvent));
```

### You already know how to do this....

#### **INTERACTIVE**

#### **REACTIVE**

```
var source = getStockData();

source
   .filter(function (quote) {
       return quote.price > 30;
   })
   .map(function (quote) {
       return quote.price;
   })
   .forEach(function (price) {
       console.log('Higher than $30: $' + price);
   });
```

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#### **First-Class Async and Events**

**Observables to the rescue** 

#### An object is first-class when it:[4][5]

- can be stored in variables and data structures
- can be passed as a parameter to a subroutine
- can be returned as the result of a subroutine
- can be constructed at runtime
- has intrinsic identity (independent of any given name)



#### **Reactive Manifesto**

http://www.reactivemanifesto.org

Merriam-Webster defines reactive as "readily responsive to a stimulus", i.e. its components are "active" and always ready to receive events. This definition captures the essence of reactive applications, focusing on systems that:

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the event-driven nature enables the following qualities

#### react to load

focus on scalability by avoiding contention on shared resources

#### react to failure

build resilient systems with the ability to recover at all levels

#### react to users

honor response time guarantees regardless of load

## Wanna really know what Reactive Programming Is?

Real Time Programming: Special Purpose or General Purpose Languages

Gerard Berry

http://bit.ly/reactive-paper

**Observables - Composing Events and Promises** 

```
DOM events as a
 var words = input.keyup
                                                  sequence of strings
                .map(function() { return input.value; })
                .throttle(500)
                .distinctUntilChanged()
Reducing data
                                                     Latest response as
                .flatMapLatest(-
traffic / volume
                                                        word arrays
                    function(term) { return search(term); }
                );
 words.subscribe(function(data) {
                                                            Web service call returns
   // Bind data to the UI
                                                             single value sequence
 });
                                     Binding results to the UI
```

#### Why Promises Aren't Enough

#### **Problems in Promiseland**

- How do I handle cancellation?
- What if I don't care about the return value ala Autocomplete?

```
var promise;
input.addEventListener('keyup', function (e) {
 if (promise) {
   // Um, how do I cancel?
  } else {
    promise = getData(e.target.value).then(populateUI);
 false);
```



#### **Functional Reactive Programming (FRP) is...**

#### A concept consisting of

- Continuous Time
- Behaviors: Values over time
- Events: Discrete phenomena with a value and a time
- Compositional behavior for behavior and events

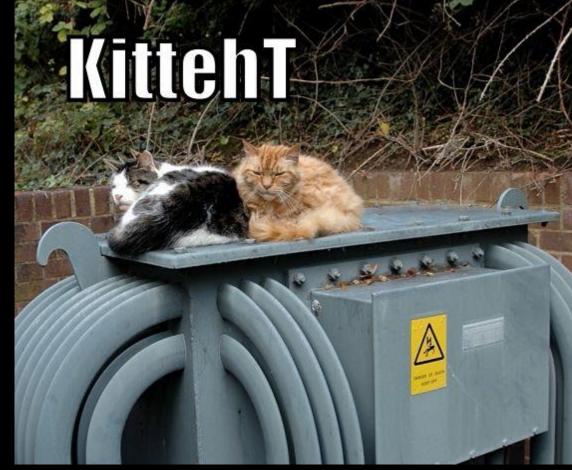
#### What it is not

- High order functions on events like map, filter, reduce
- Most so-called FRP libraries out there...

```
Rx.spawn(function* () {
  var result = yield get('brooklynjs.com')
    .retry(3)
    .catch(cachedVersion);

console.log(result);
```

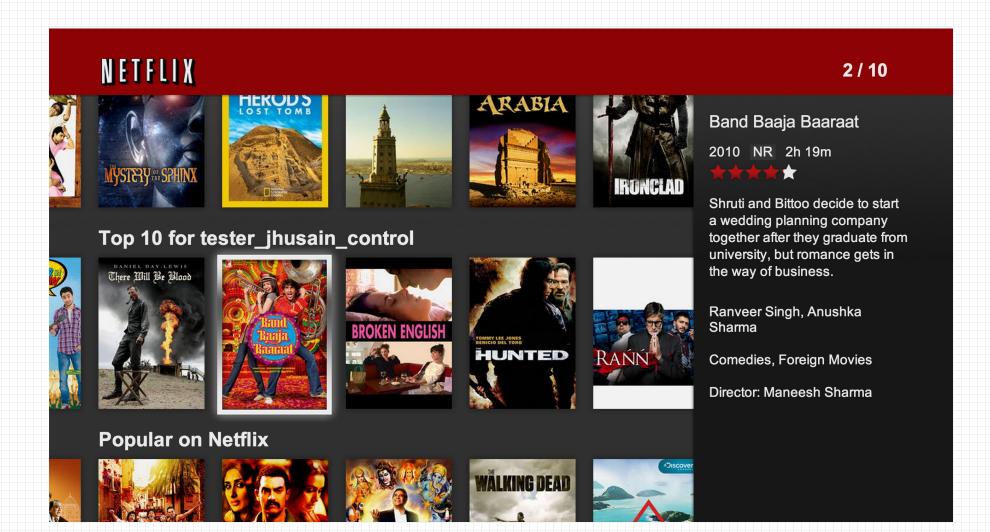
**}());** 





#### **Your Netflix Video Lists**

#### **Netflix Row Update Polling**





#### **Client: Polling for Row Updates**

```
function getRowUpdates(row) {
    var scrolls = Rx.Observable.fromEvent(document, "scroll");
    var rowVisibilities =
        scrolls.throttle(50)
             .map(function (scrollEvent) { return row.isVisible(scrollEvent.offset); })
             .distinctUntilChanged()
             .publish().refCount();
    var rowShows = rowVisibilities.filter(function (v) { return v; });
    var rowHides = rowVisibilities.filter(function (v) { return !v) });
    return rowShows
       .flatMap(Rx.Observable.interval(10))
       .flatMap(function () { return row.getRowData().takeUntil(rowHides); })
       .toArray();
};
```