

# Introduction

- Aaron Crow from Factual
- I'm mainly a Java developer
- I really like Clojure
  - Lisp on the (awesome!) JVM
  - Functional
  - Interesting strengths
- Factual is using Clojure more and more

# “some real work with Clojure”

- Simple, fast talk
- Show bits and pieces of Clojure programming
- A little real work with simple data structures

# Anonymous fns (“closures”)

```
(fn [x] (println "my arg is" x))
```

*OR...*

```
#(println "my arg is" %)
```

# Anonymous fn example

```
> (def f #(println "my arg is" %))
```

```
#'user/f
```

```
> (f 88)
```

```
my arg is 88
```

```
> (f "factual.com")
```

```
my arg is factual.com
```

# Clojure's map

- (map f coll)
- **f** is a first class function. Takes a thing, returns a thing
- **coll** is a collection of things
- **map** returns a new, transformed collection

# map examples

; Bump up some integers:

```
(map inc [0 1 2 3 4 5 6])  
=> (1 2 3 4 5 6 7)
```

; Get the squares of some integers:

```
(map #(* %) [0 1 2 3 4 5 6])  
=> (0 1 4 9 16 25 36)
```

# Clojure and JSON

```
> (read-json "[{\"meetup\": \"SMJUG\"}]" )  
[{:meetup "SMJUG"}]
```

```
> (def mymaps  
  [{:meetup "SMJUG" :city "Santa Monica"}  
   {:meetup "Clojure" :city "Century City"}  
   {:meetup "Scala" :city "Century City"}  
  ])
```

```
> (get (first mymaps) :meetup)  
"SMJUG"
```

# Quick detour: get-in

**"It is better to have 100 functions operate on one data abstraction than 10 functions on 10 data structures."**

```
> (def mymap  
    {:levelA {:levelB {:mykey "myval"}}})  
  
> (get-in mymap [:levelA :levelB :mykey])  
"myval"
```



# Putting it together, using Factual's Places data

```
[
  { :status "1",
    :country "US",
    :longitude -118.474,
    :factual_id "db71917f-2a7f-4e1b-be86-24c4d1844e28",
    :name "Yahoo",
    :postcode "90404",
    :locality "Santa Monica",
    :latitude 34.0307,
    :region "CA",
    :address "2450 Broadway",
    :tel "(310) 315-1870",
    :category
      "Business & Professional Services > Equipment, Supplies & Services > Telecommunication Services",
    :address_extended "Ste 600"}
  {...}
  ...]
```

# Transform a collection (Clojure)

```
(map :name places)
```

("Brown Barry H Attorney At Law"

"Pfizer Health Solutions"

"Danjaq"

"Onewest Bank Fsb"

"La Art Exchange"

"Yahoo"

"Lasik Vision"

"Washington Post Advertising"

"Rmc Water and Environment"

"Helen's Cycles"

...

)

# Transform a Collection (Java)

**// Uses Google's handy Guava library**

```
private Collection placeNames(Collection
places) {
    return Collections2.transform(places,
        new Function<JSONObject, String>() {
            @Override
            public String apply(JSONObject place) {
                return place.getString("name");
            }
        }
    );
}
```

# Aaron's Shameless Plugs

**1) Blog posts about Clojure, for us Java developers:**

*<http://blog.factual.com/>*

**2) Upcoming talk at LA Hacker News meetup:**

*“Is Clojure the best way to wrap JSON-based web APIs?”*

Coloft, Saturday, October 1, 2011, 3:00 PM

# Java Interop

```
(String. "a new string")
```

```
(.length my-str)
```

```
(doto (java.util.HashMap.)
```

```
  (.put "a" 1)
```

```
  (.put "b" 2))
```

```
:: but might miss the point
```

# What about Types?

```
(defn length-of [^String s]  
  (.length s))
```