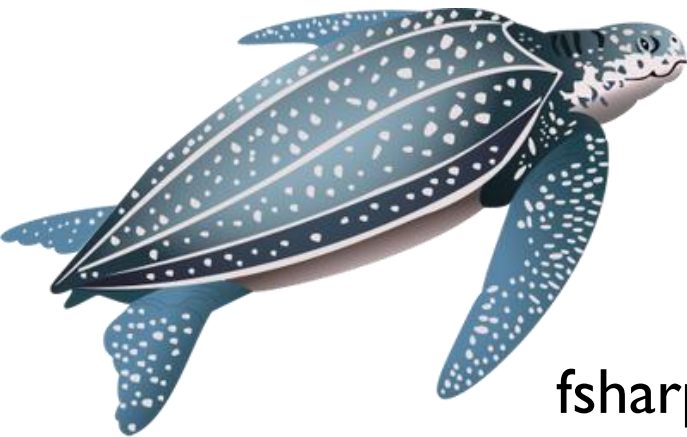


I'll be using F# code examples, but
the concepts will work in most
programming languages.

Thirteen ways of looking at a turtle



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A taste of many different approaches

Actor model

Event sourcing



State monad

Interpreter

Capabilities

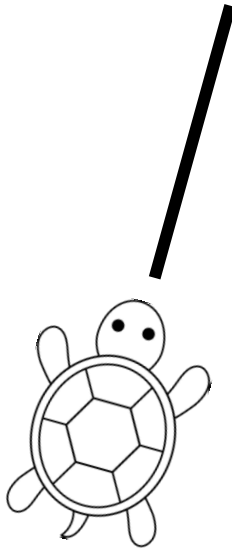
A taste of many different approaches

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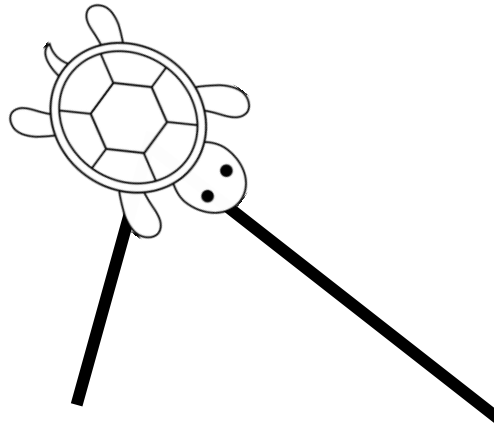


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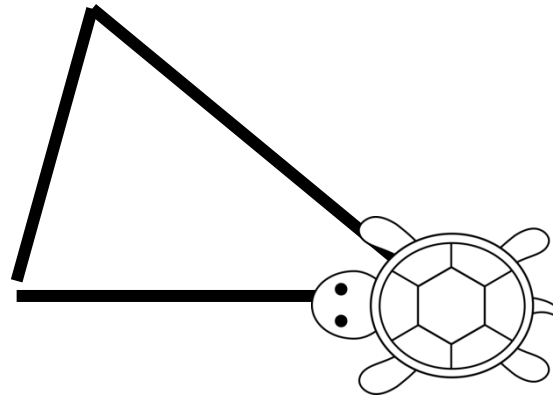
Turtle graphics in action



Turtle graphics in action



Turtle graphics in action



Turtle API

API	Description
Move aDistance	Move some distance in the current direction.
Turn anAngle	Turn a certain number of degrees clockwise or anticlockwise.
PenUp PenDown	Put the pen down or up. When the pen is down, moving the turtle draws a line.

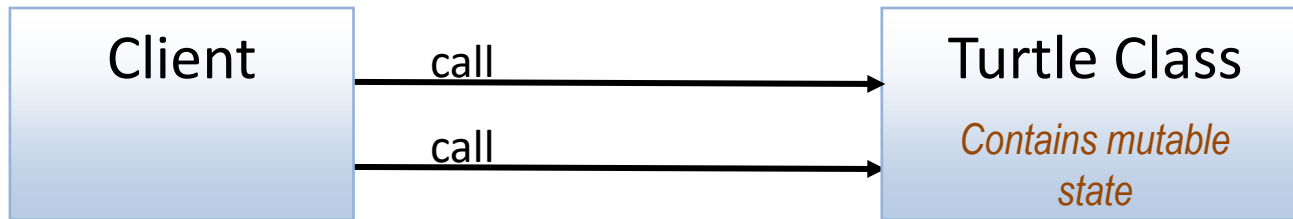
All of the following implementations will be based on this interface or some variant of it.

I. Object Oriented Turtle

A "Tootle"

Data and behavior are combined

Overview




```
type Turtle() =
```

```
    let mutable currentPosition = initialPosition
```

```
    let mutable currentAngle = 0.0<Degrees>
```

```
    let mutable currentState = initialPenState
```

 "mutable" keyword
needed in F#

 Units of measure
used to document API

```
member this.Move(distance) =  
  Logger.info (sprintf "Move %0.1f" distance)  
  let startPos = currentPosition  
  // calculate new position  
  let endPos = calcNewPosition distance currentAngle startPos  
  // draw line if needed  
  if currentState = Down then  
    Canvas.draw startPos endPos  
  // update the state  
  currentPosition <- endPos
```



Assignment

```
member this.Turn(angleToTurn) =  
  Logger.info (sprintf "Turn %0.1f" angleToTurn)  
  
  // calculate new angle  
  let newAngle =  
    (currentAngle + angleToTurn) % 360.0<Degrees>  
  
  // update the state  
  currentAngle <- newAngle
```

```
member this.PenUp() =  
  Logger.info "Pen up"  
  currentPenState <- Up
```

```
member this.PenDown() =  
  Logger.info "Pen down"  
  currentPenState <- Down
```

Usage example

```
let drawTriangle() =  
  let distance = 50.0  
  let turtle = Turtle()  
  turtle.Move distance  
  turtle.Turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  turtle.Move distance  
  turtle.Turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  turtle.Move distance  
  turtle.Turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  // back home at (0,0) with angle 0
```

OO Turtle demo

Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Familiar
- Disadvantages
 - Stateful/Black box
 - Can't easily compose
 - Hard-coded dependencies (for now)

2. Abstract Data Turtle

Data is separated from behavior

Data

```
type TurtleState = private {  
  mutable position : Position  
  mutable angle : float<Degrees>  
  mutable penState : PenState  
}
```

← Only turtle functions
can access it

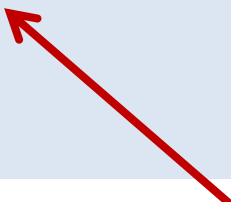
Behavior

```
module Turtle =  
  let move distance state = ...  
  let turn angleToTurn state = ...  
  let penUp state = ...  
  let penDown log state =
```

← State passed in
explicitly

Usage example

```
let drawTriangle() =  
  let distance = 50.0  
  let turtle = Turtle.create()  
  Turtle.move distance turtle  
  Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees> turtle  
  Turtle.move distance turtle  
  Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees> turtle  
  Turtle.move distance turtle  
  Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees> turtle
```



State passed in
explicitly

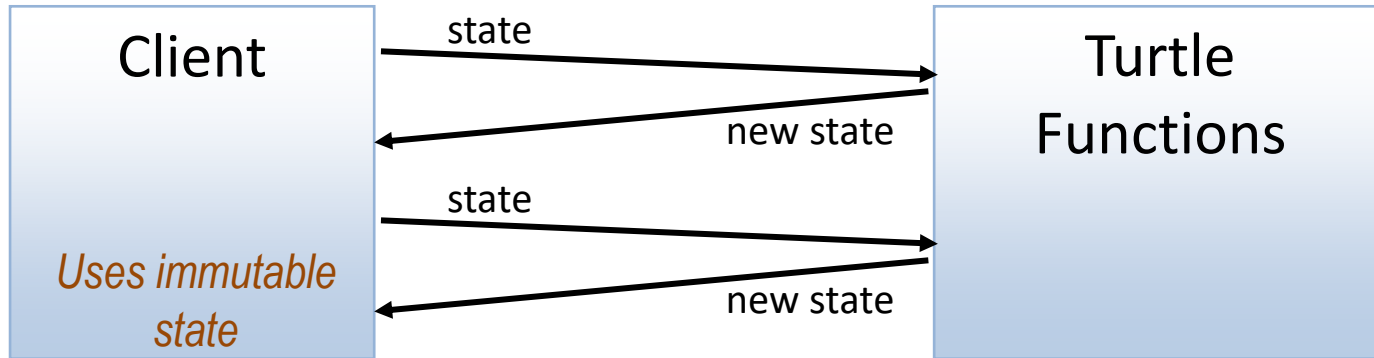
Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Simple
 - Forces composition over inheritance!
- Disadvantages
 - As with OO: stateful, etc

3. Functional Turtle

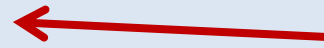
Data is immutable

Overview



Data

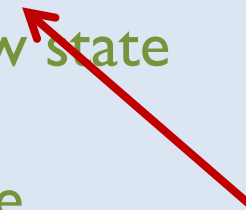
```
type TurtleState = {  
  position : Position  
  angle : float<Degrees>  
  penState : PenState  
}
```



Public, immutable

Behavior

```
module Turtle =  
  let move distance state = ... // return new state  
  let turn angleToTurn state = ... // return new state  
  let penUp state = ... // return new state  
  let penDown log state = // return new state
```



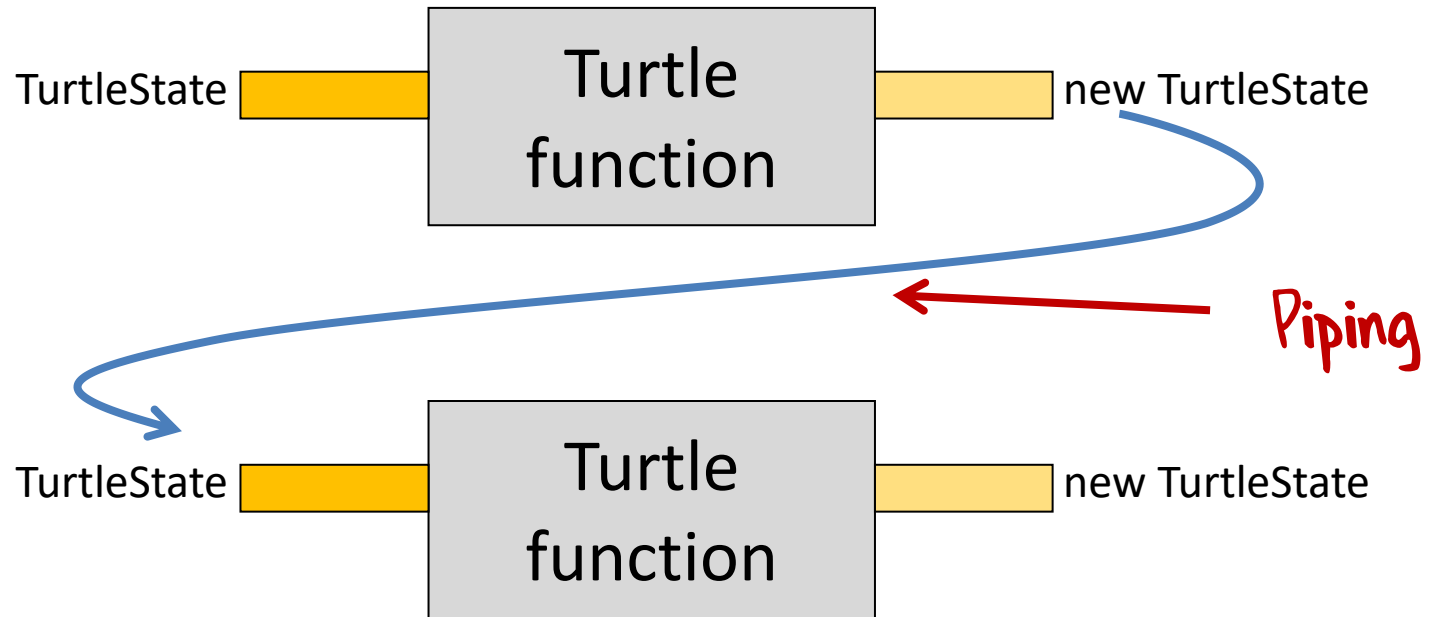
State passed in
explicitly AND
returned

Usage example

```
let drawTriangle() =  
  let s0 = Turtle.initialTurtleState  
  let s1 = Turtle.move 50.0 s0  
  let s2 = Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees> s1  
  let s3 = Turtle.move 50.0 s2  
  ...
```



Passing state around is
annoying and ugly!



Usage example with pipes

```
let drawTriangle() =  
  Turtle.initialTurtleState  
  |> Turtle.move 50.0  
  |> Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  |> Turtle.move 50.0  
  ...
```

|> is pipe
operator



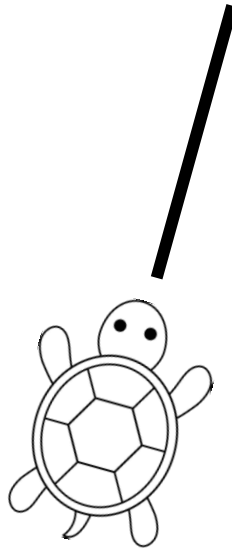
Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Immutability: Easy to reason about
 - Stateless: Easy to test
 - Functions are composable
- Disadvantages
 - Client has to keep track of the state 😞
 - Hard-coded dependencies (for now)

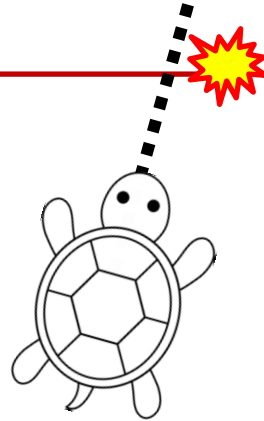
4. State monad

Threading state behind the scenes

Turtle Canvas



Turtle Canvas



Change implementation so that Move returns a pair:

- * New state, and
- * Actual distance moved

The returned pair

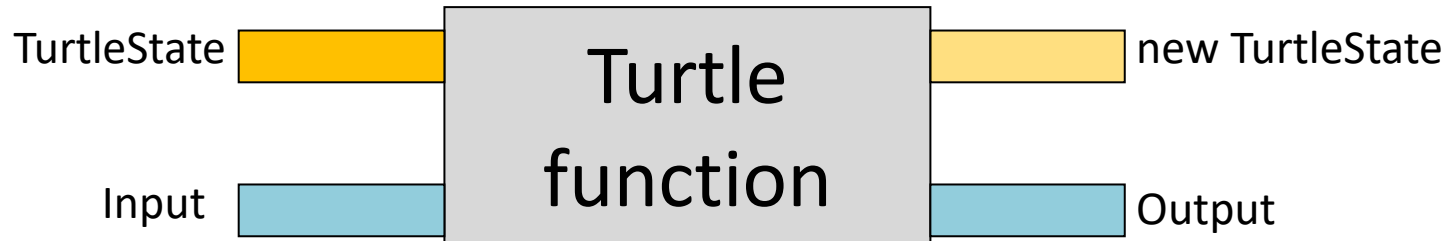
Usage example

```
let s0 = Turtle.initialTurtleState
let (actualDistA,s1) = Turtle.move 80.0 s0
if actualDistA < 80.0 then
  printfn "first move failed -- turning"
  let s2 = Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees> s1
  let (actualDistB,s3) = Turtle.move 80.0 s2
  ...
else
  printfn "first move succeeded"
  let (actualDistC,s2) = Turtle.move 80.0 s1
  ...
```

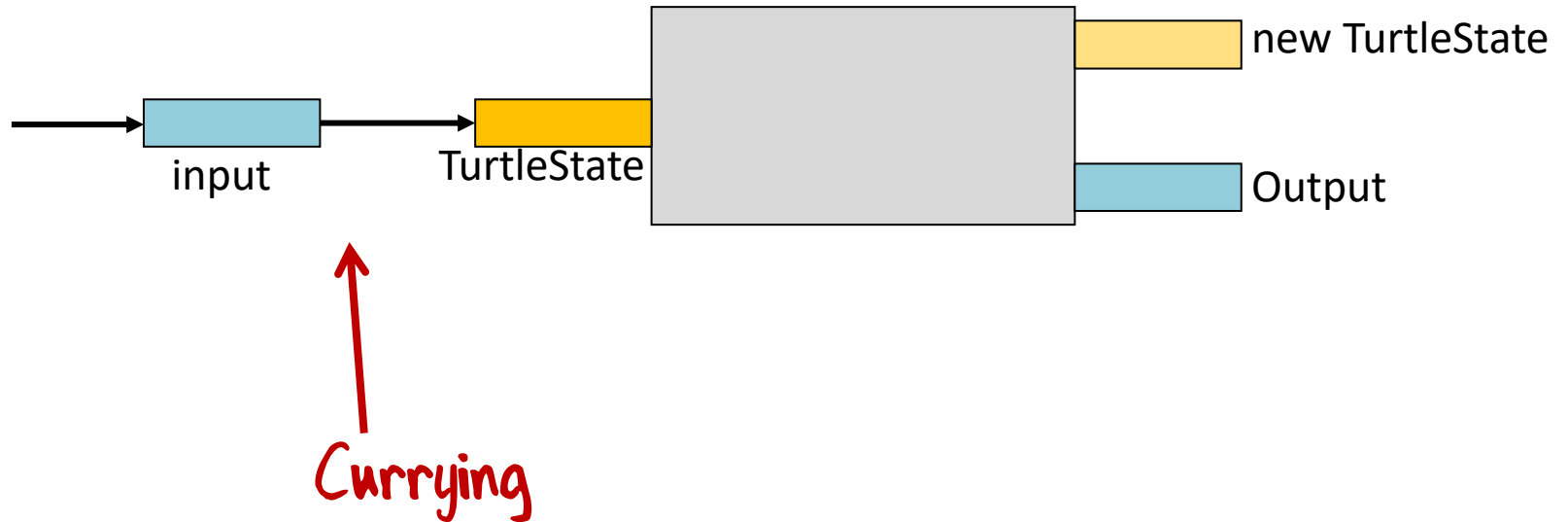
Yuck!

How can we keep track of
the state?

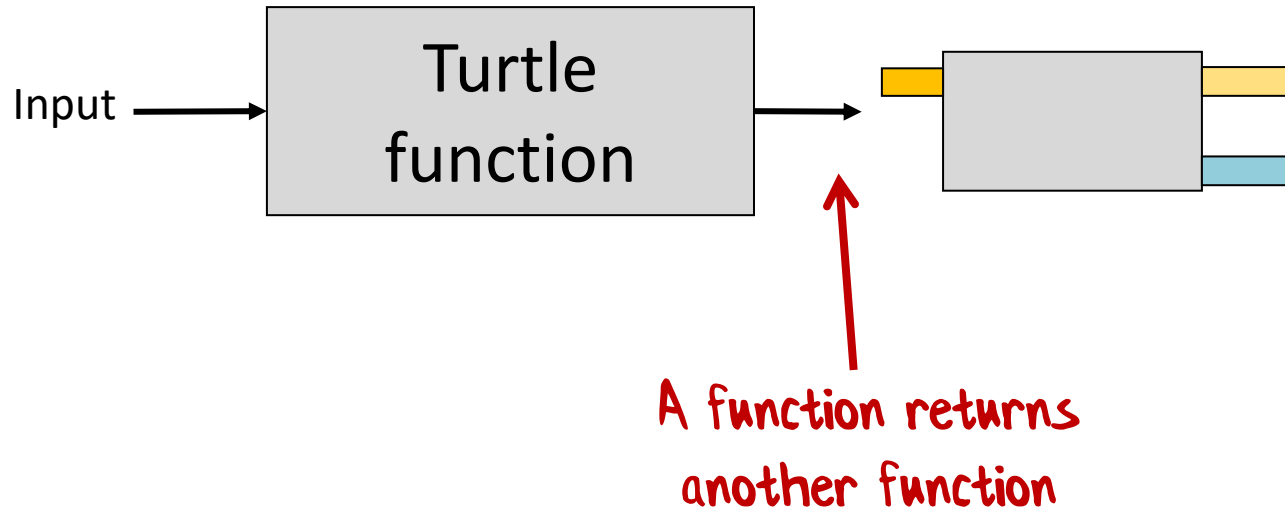
Transforming the function #1



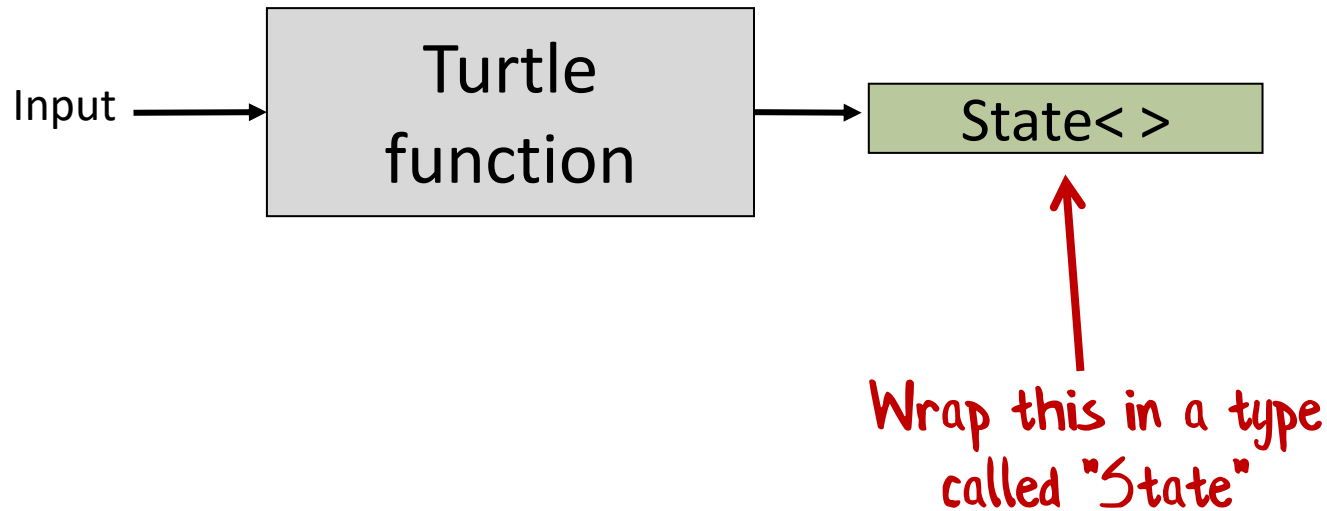
Transforming the function #2



Transforming the function #3



Transforming the function #4



For more on how this works, see fsharpforfunandprofit.com/monadster

Usage example

```
let stateExpression = state { // "state" expression
  let! distA = move 80.0
  if distA < 80.0 then
    printfn "first move failed -- turning"
    do! turn 120.0<Degrees>
    let! distB = move 80.0
    ...
  else
    printfn "first move succeeded"
    let! distB = move 80.0
    ...
}
```

State is threaded
through behind the
scenes

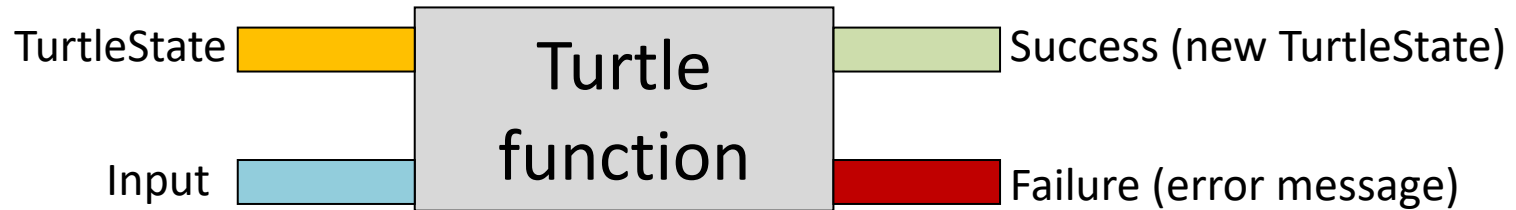
Haskell has "do" notation. Scala has "for" comprehensions

Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Looks imperative, but preserves immutability.
 - Functions still composable
- Disadvantages
 - Harder to implement and use

5. Error handling

How to return errors?




```
type Result<'successInfo,'errorInfo> =  
  | Success of 'successInfo  
  | Failure of 'errorInfo
```



Choice (aka Sum, aka Discriminated Union) type

Implementation using Result

```
let move distanceRequested state =  
  // calculate new position  
  // draw line if needed  
  if actualDistanceMoved <> distanceRequested then  
    Failure "Moved out of bounds"  
  else  
    Success {state with position = endPosition}
```



Two different choices for return value
(not easy in OO)

Usage example

```
let s0 = Turtle.initialTurtleState
let result1 = s0 |> Turtle.move 80.0
match result1 with
| Success s1 ->
    let result2 = s1 |> Turtle.move 80.0
    match result2 with
    | Success s2 ->
        printfn "second move succeeded"
        ...
    | Failure msg ->
        printfn "second move failed: %s" msg
        ...
| Failure msg ->
    printfn "first move failed -- %s" msg
```

Again Yuck!

Usage example

```
let finalResult = result {           // result expression
    let s0 = Turtle.initialTurtleState
    let! s1 = s0 |> Turtle.move 80.0
    printfn "first move succeeded"
    let! s2 = s1 |> Turtle.move 30.0
    printfn "second move succeeded"
    let! s3 = s2 |> Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees>
    let! s4 = s3 |> Turtle.move 80.0
    printfn "third move succeeded"
    return ()
}
```

Errors are managed
behind the scenes

Combine "state" and "result" for even prettier code

Usage example

```
let finalResult = resultState {           // "result" and "state" combined
    do! Turtle.move 80.0
    printfn "first move succeeded"
    do! Turtle.move 30.0
    printfn "second move succeeded"
    do! Turtle.turn 120.0<Degrees>
    do! Turtle.move 80.0
    printfn "third move succeeded"
    return ()
}
```

*Both errors and state
are now managed behind
the scenes*

Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Errors are explicitly returned (no exceptions)
 - Looks like "happy path" code
- Disadvantages
 - Slightly harder to implement and use

5½. Async turtle

What if the Turtle calls were async?

What if the Turtle calls were async?

```
let s0 = Turtle.initialTurtleState
s0 |> Turtle.moveAsync 80.0 (fun s1 ->
  s1 |> Turtle.moveAsync 80.0 (fun s2 ->
    s2 |> Turtle.moveAsync 80.0 (fun s3 ->
      ...
    )
  )
)
```

Callbacks

yuckety yuck!

Async usage example

```
let finalResult = async { // "async" expression
  let s0 = Turtle.initialTurtleState
  let! s1 = s0 |> Turtle.moveAsync 80.0
  let! s2 = s1 |> Turtle.moveAsync 80.0
  let! s3 = s2 |> Turtle.moveAsync 80.0
  ...
}
```

Callbacks are managed
behind the scenes

Do you see a pattern?
(the m-word)

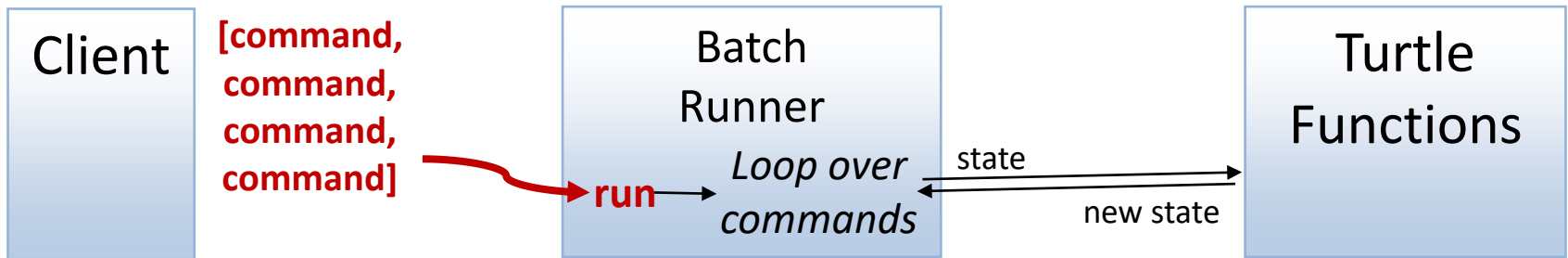
Review: Common patterns

- Composition
 - Chaining functions together
- Explicitness
 - Explicit state management (no mutation)
 - Explicit errors (no exceptions)
- Techniques to thread state/errors/callbacks behind the scenes (the m-word)

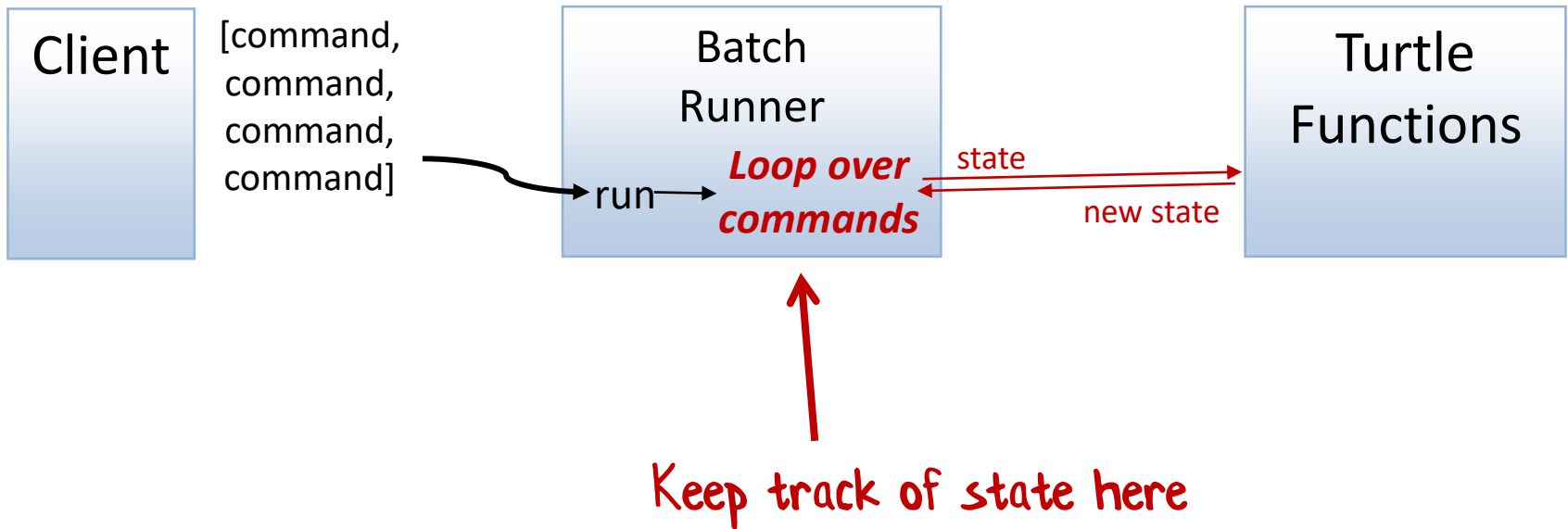
6. Batch commands

How can the caller avoid managing state?

Overview




Overview



How to convert a function into data?

```
// Turtle functions  
let move distance = ...  
let turn angle = ...  
let penUp () = ...  
let penDown () = ...
```

```
type TurtleCommand =  
| Move of Distance  
| Turn of Angle  
| PenUp  
| PenDown
```



Choice type

Usage example

```
// create the list of commands
```

```
let commands = [  
  Move 100.0  
  Turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  Move 100.0  
  Turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  Move 100.0  
  Turn 120.0<Degrees>  
]
```

```
// run them
```

```
TurtleBatch.run commands
```



This is **data** not function calls

"execute" implementation

/// Apply a command to the turtle state and return the new state

let **executeCommand** state command =

match command with

| **Move** distance ->

Turtle.**move** distance state

| **Turn** angleToTurn ->

Turtle.**turn** angleToTurn state

| **PenUp** ->

Turtle.**penUp** state

| **PenDown** ->

Turtle.**penDown** state

On-to-one correspondence



"run" implementation

```
/// Run list of commands in one go
let run aListOfCommands =
  let mutable state = Turtle.initialTurtleState
  for command in aListOfCommands do
    state <- executeCommand state command
  // return final state
  state
```

"run" implementation

```
/// Run list of commands in one go
```

```
let run aListOfCommands =  
  aListOfCommands
```

```
|> List.fold executeCommand Turtle.initialTurtleState
```

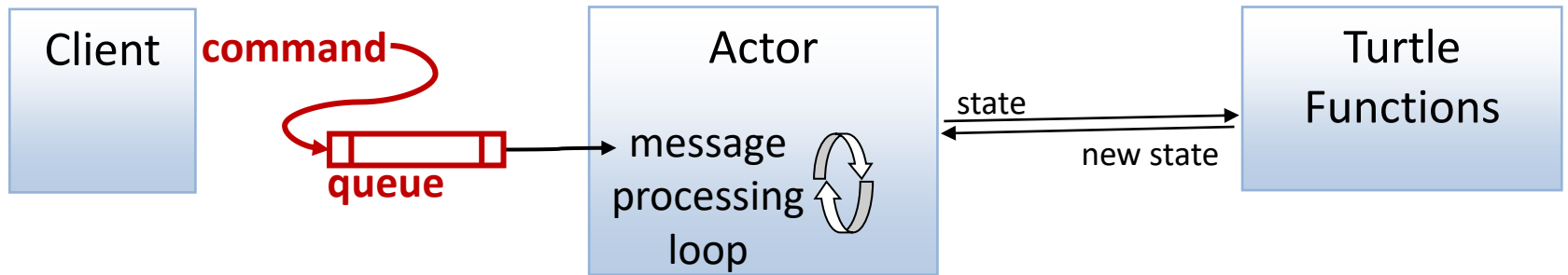


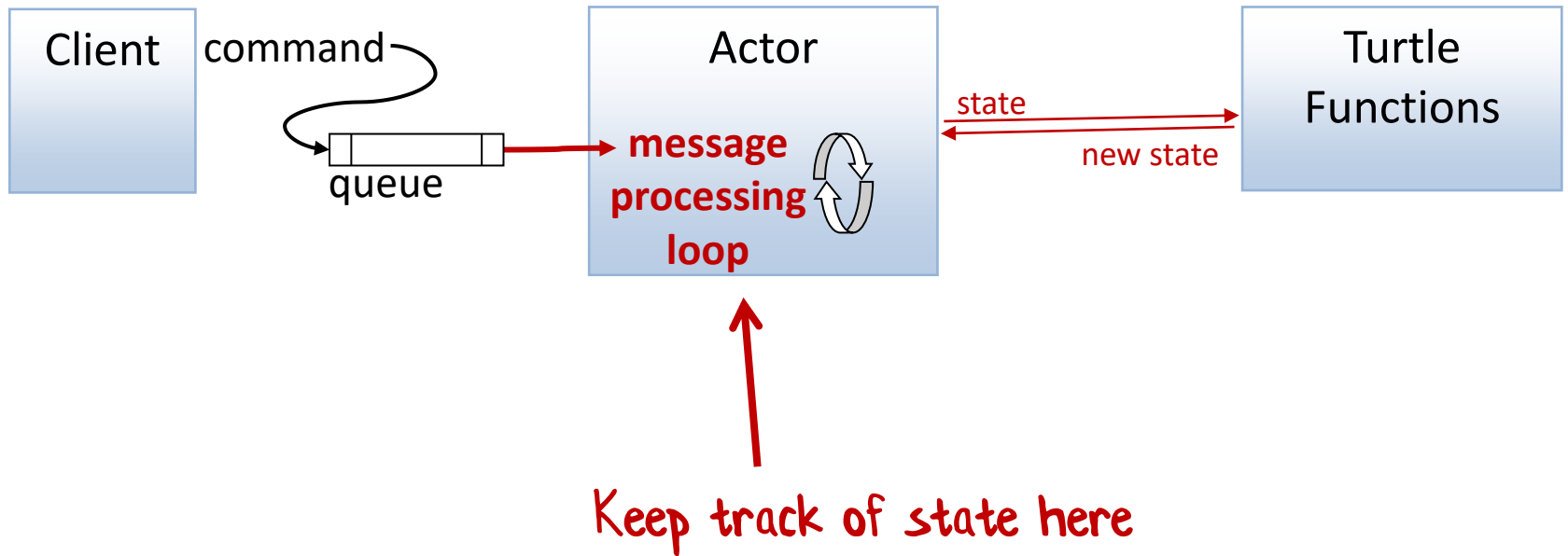
Use built-in collection functions
where possible

Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Decoupled
 - Simpler than monads!
- Disadvantages
 - Batch oriented only
 - No control flow inside batch

7. Actor model





Pulling commands off a queue

```
let rec loop turtleState =  
  let command = // read a command from the message queue  
  let newState =  
    match command with  
    | Move distance ->  
      Turtle.move distance turtleState  
    // etc  
loop newState
```

Like batch implementation

Recurse with new state

Usage example

```
// post a list of commands
```

```
let turtleActor = new TurtleActor()  
turtleActor.Post (Move 100.0)  
turtleActor.Post (Turn 120.0<Degrees>)  
turtleActor.Post (Move 100.0)  
turtleActor.Post (Turn 120.0<Degrees>)
```



Again, this is **data**

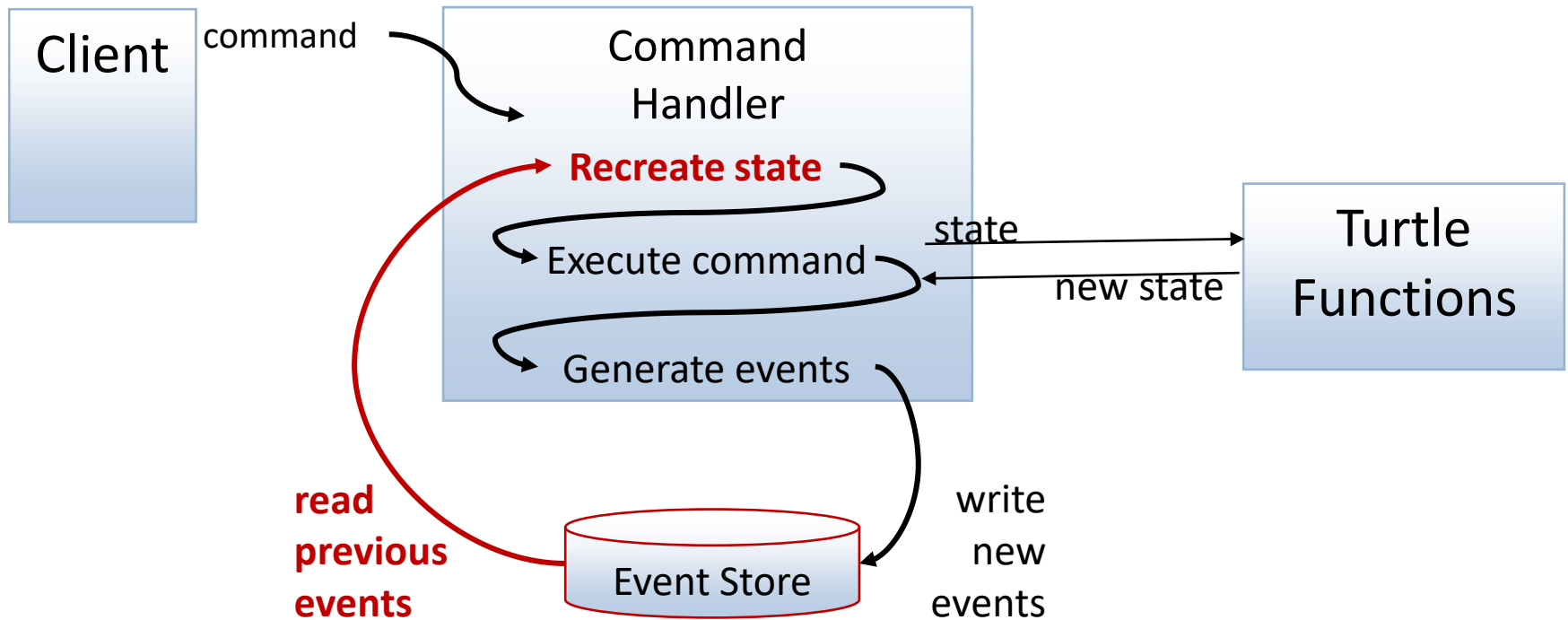
Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Decoupled
 - Simpler than state monad
- Disadvantages
 - Extra boilerplate needed

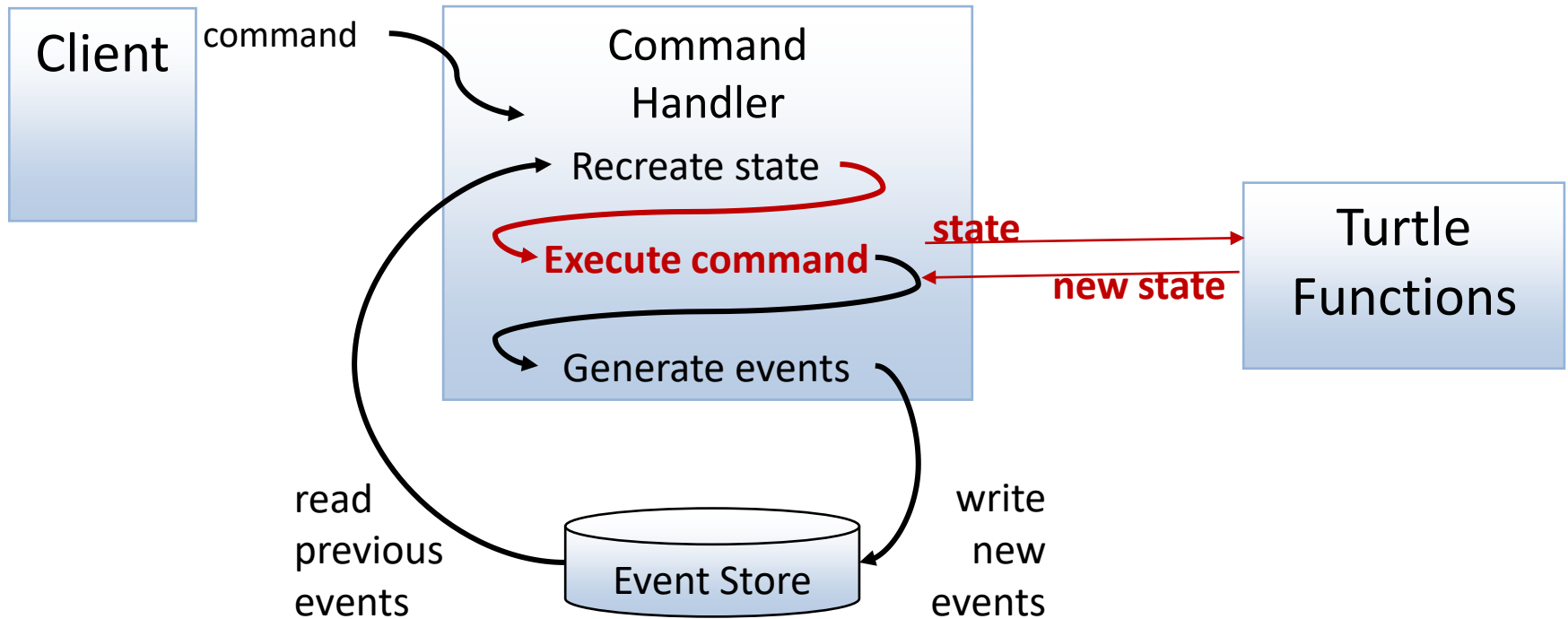
8. Event Sourcing

How should we persist state?

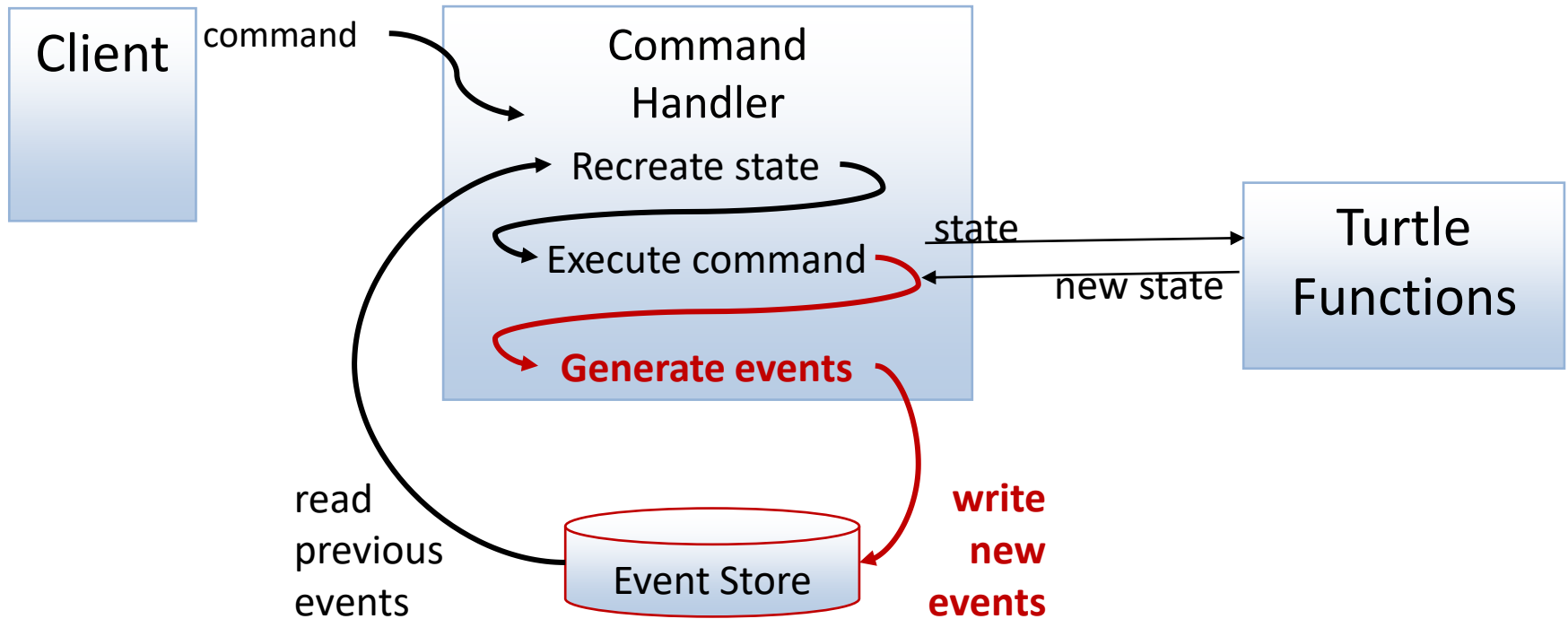
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Command vs. Event

```
type TurtleCommand =
```

```
  | Move of Distance
```

```
  | Turn of Angle
```

```
  | PenUp
```

```
  | PenDown
```




What you **want** to have happen

Command vs. Event

```
type TurtleEvent =
```

```
| Moved of Distance * StartPosition * EndPosition  
| Turned of AngleTurned * FinalAngle  
| PenStateChanged of PenState
```

What **actually** happened
(past tense)



Compare with the command

```
type TurtleCommand =
```

```
| Move of Distance  
| Turn of Angle  
| PenUp  
| PenDown
```

Implementation

/// Apply an event to the current state and return the new state

let **applyEvent** state event =

match event with

| Moved (distance,startPosition,endPosition) ->

{state with position = endPosition} // don't call Turtle

| Turned (angleTurned,finalAngle) ->

{state with angle = finalAngle}

| PenStateChanged penState ->

{state with penState = penState}

Important!
No side effects when
recreating state!

Implementation

```
let handleCommand (command:TurtleCommand) =  
  // First load all the events from the event store  
  let eventHistory = EventStore.getEvents()  
  // Then, recreate the state before the command  
  let stateBeforeCommand =  
    eventHistory |> List.fold applyEvent Turtle.initialTurtleState  
  // Create new events from the command  
  let newEvents =  
    executeCommand command stateBeforeCommand  
  // Store the new events in the event store  
  events |> List.iter (EventStore.saveEvent)
```

No side effects

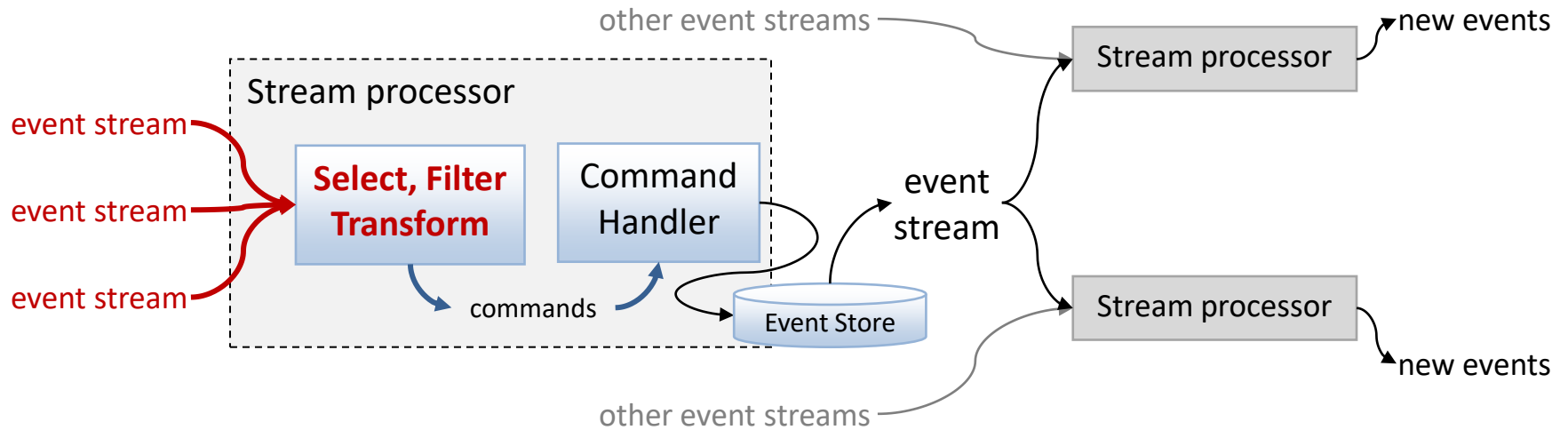
This is where side-effects happen

Advantages and disadvantages

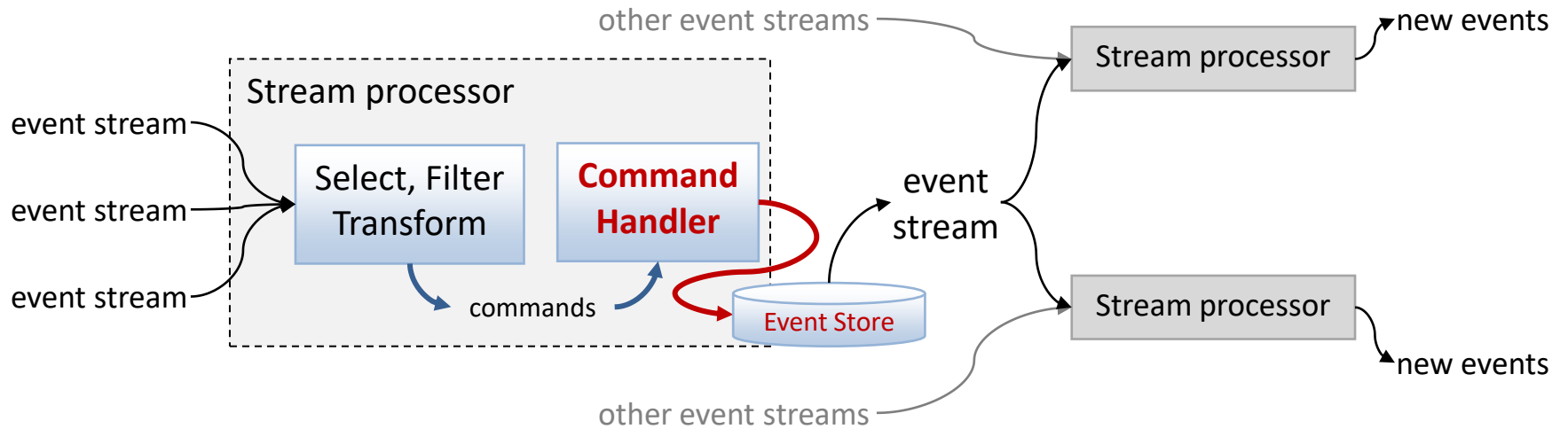
- Advantages
 - Decoupled
 - Stateless
 - Supports replay of events
- Disadvantages
 - More complex
 - Versioning

9. Stream Processing

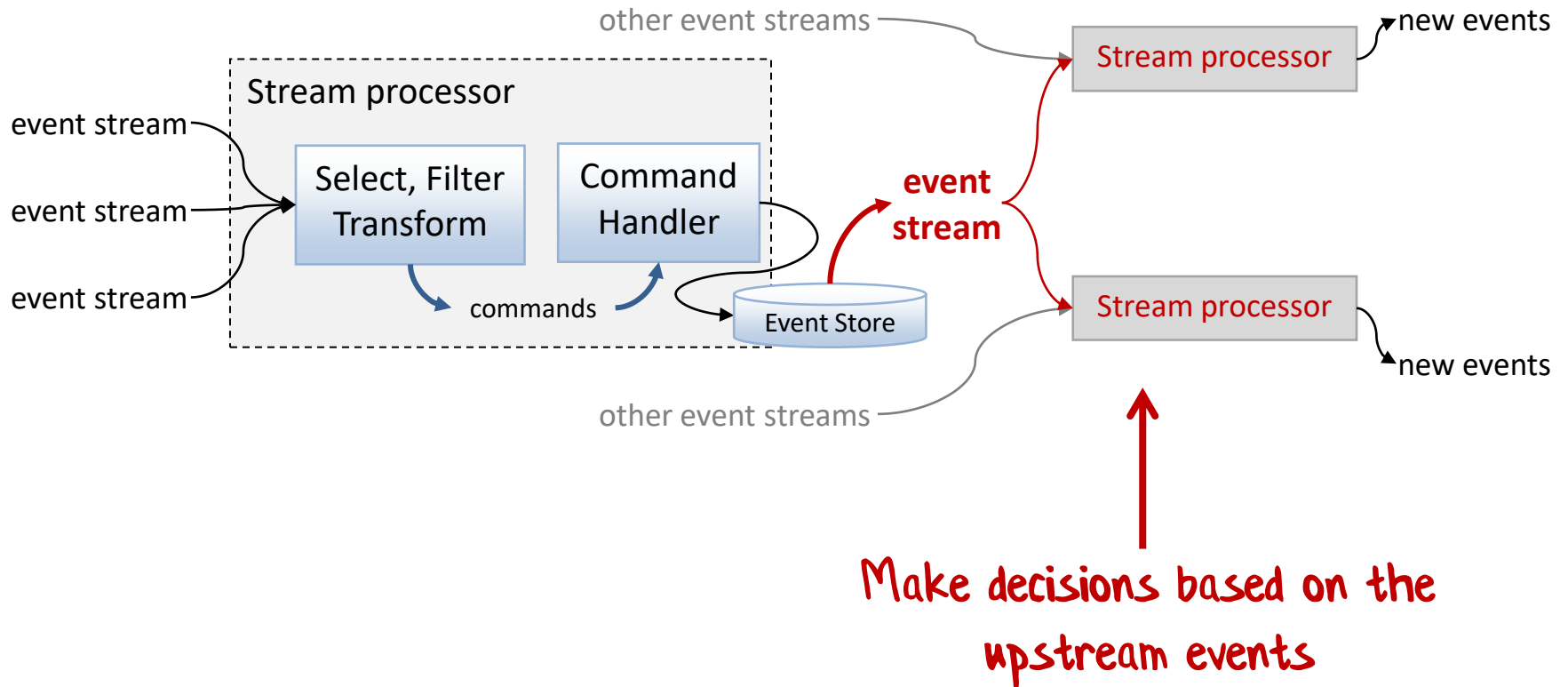
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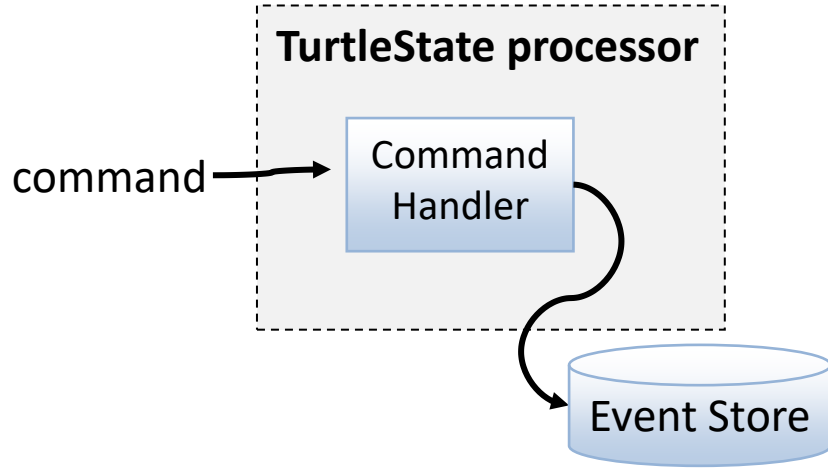
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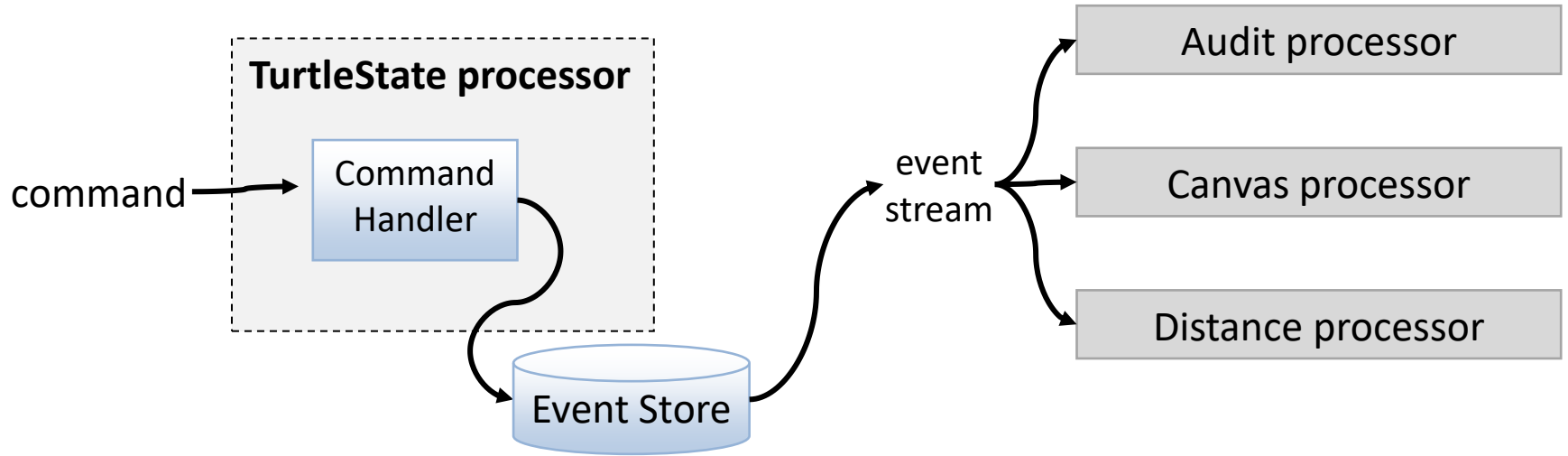
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Turtle stream processing example



Turtle stream processing example



Stream processing demo

Auditing Processor

Canvas Processor

Distance Travelled Processor

Advantages and disadvantages

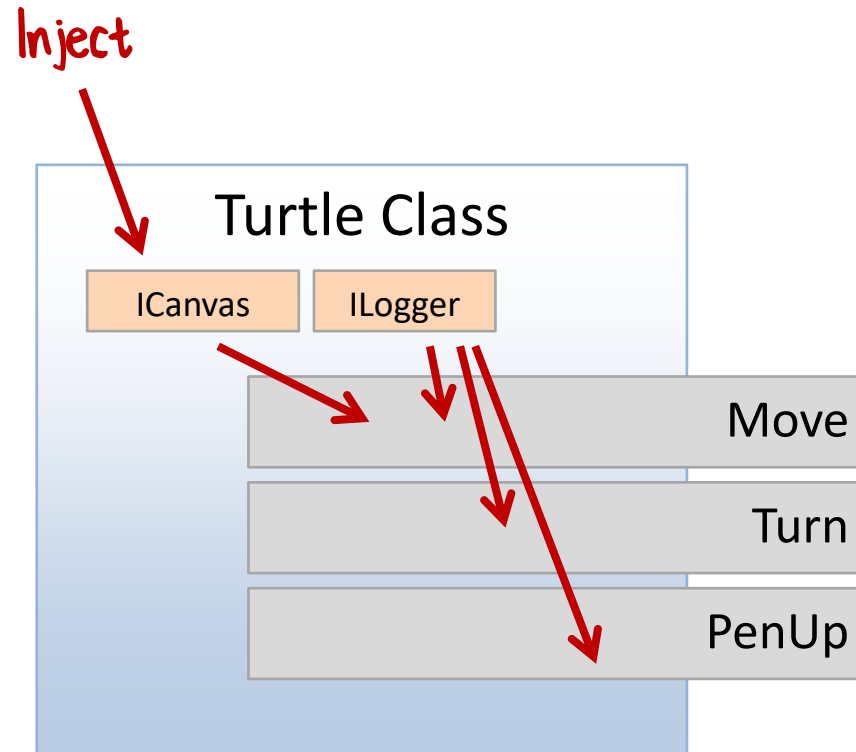
- Advantages
 - Same as Event Sourcing, plus
 - Separates state logic from business logic
 - Microservice friendly!
- Disadvantages
 - Even more complex!

Review

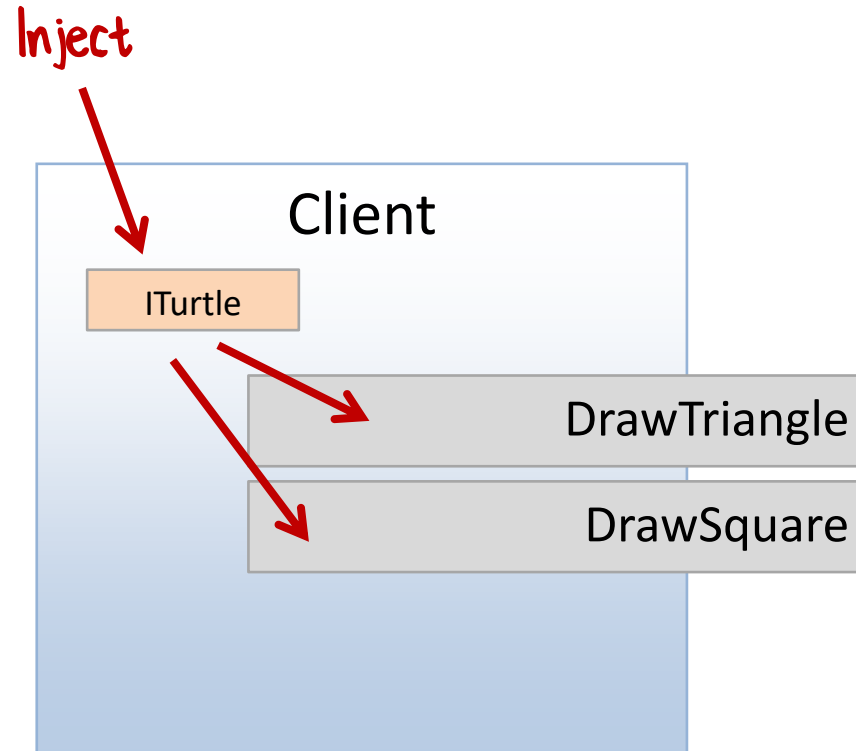
- "Conscious decoupling" with data types
 - Passing data instead of calling functions
- Immutable data stores
 - Storing event history rather than current state

10. OO style dependency injection

Overview



Same for the Turtle client



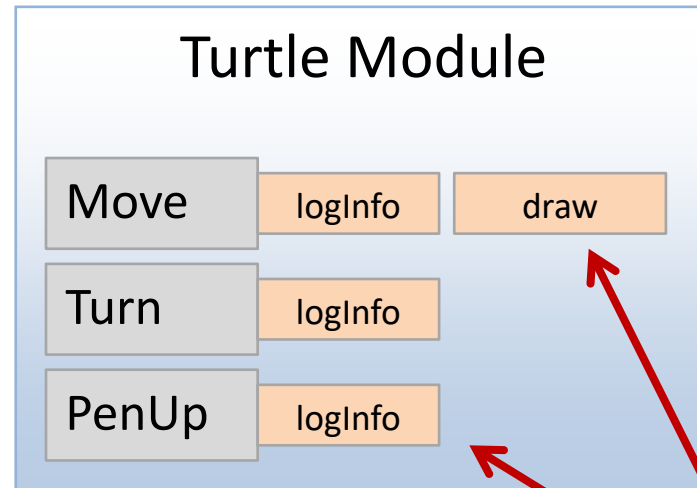
OO dependency injection demo

Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Well understood
- Disadvantages
 - Unintentional dependencies
 - Interfaces often not fine grained
 - Often requires IoC container or similar

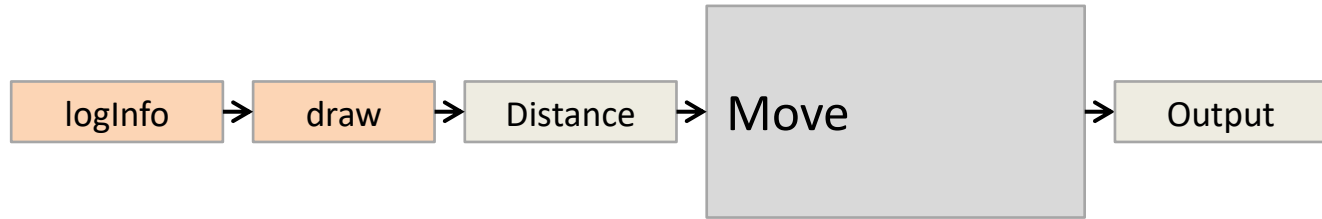
II. FP style dependency injection

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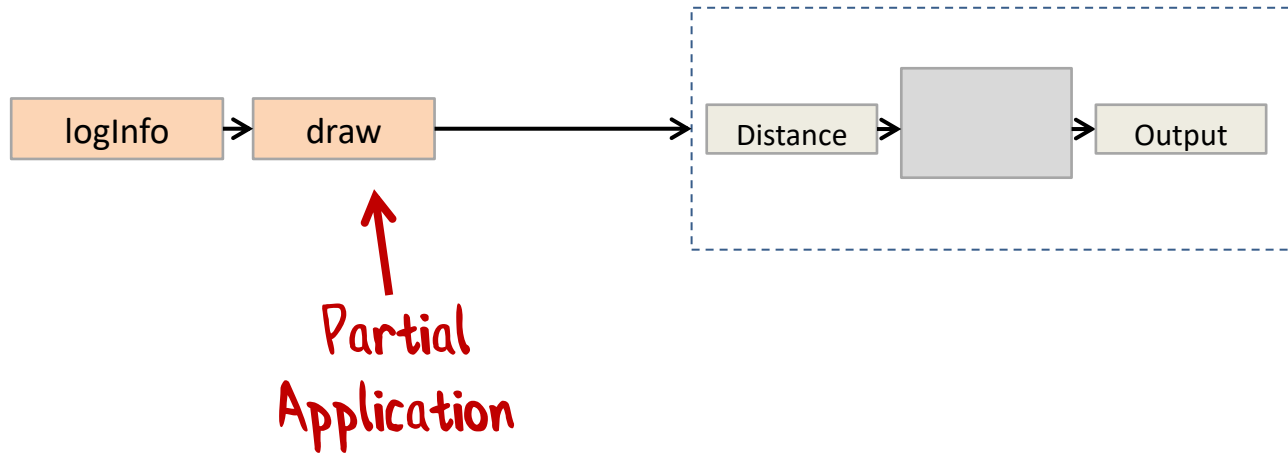


Functions not interfaces

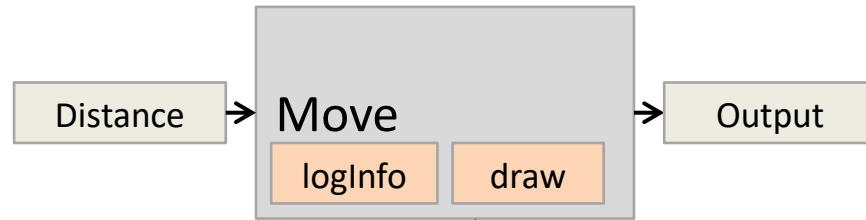
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↑
Dependencies
are "baked in"

Function parameters "move" implementation



```
let move logInfo draw distance state =  
  logInfo (sprintf "Move %0.1f" distance)  
  // calculate new position  
  ...  
  // draw line if needed  
  if state.penState = Down then  
    draw startPosition endPosition  
  // update the state  
  ...
```

Function
parameter



"turn" implementation

```
let turn logInfo angleToTurn state =  
  logInfo (sprintf "Turn %0.1f" angleToTurn)  
  // calculate new angle  
  let newAngle = ...  
  // update the state  
  ...
```

Partial application in practice

```
let move = Turtle.move Logger.info Canvas.draw
```

```
// output is new function: "move"
```

```
// (Distance -> TurtleState -> TurtleState)
```

```
let turn = Turtle.turn Logger.info
```

```
// output is new function: "turn"
```

```
// (float<Degrees> -> TurtleState -> TurtleState)
```

partial
application



```
Turtle.initialTurtleState
```

```
|> move 50.0
```

```
|> turn 120.0<Degrees>
```

Use new
functions here



FP dependency injection demo

Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages

- Dependencies are explicit
- Functions, not interfaces
- Counterforce to having too many dependencies (ISP for free!)
- Built in! No special libraries needed

- Disadvantages

- ??

I 2. Interpreter

APIs create coupling

```
module TurtleAPI =  
  move : Distance -> State -> Distance * State  
  turn : Angle -> State -> State  
  penUp : State -> State  
  penDown : State -> State
```

*Fine, but what if the API
changes to return Result?*

APIs create coupling

```
module TurtleAPI =  
  move : Distance -> State -> Result<Distance * State>  
  turn : Angle -> State -> Result<State>  
  penUp : State -> Result<State>  
  penDown : State -> Result<State>
```

Fine, but what if it needs to be
Async as well?

APIs create coupling

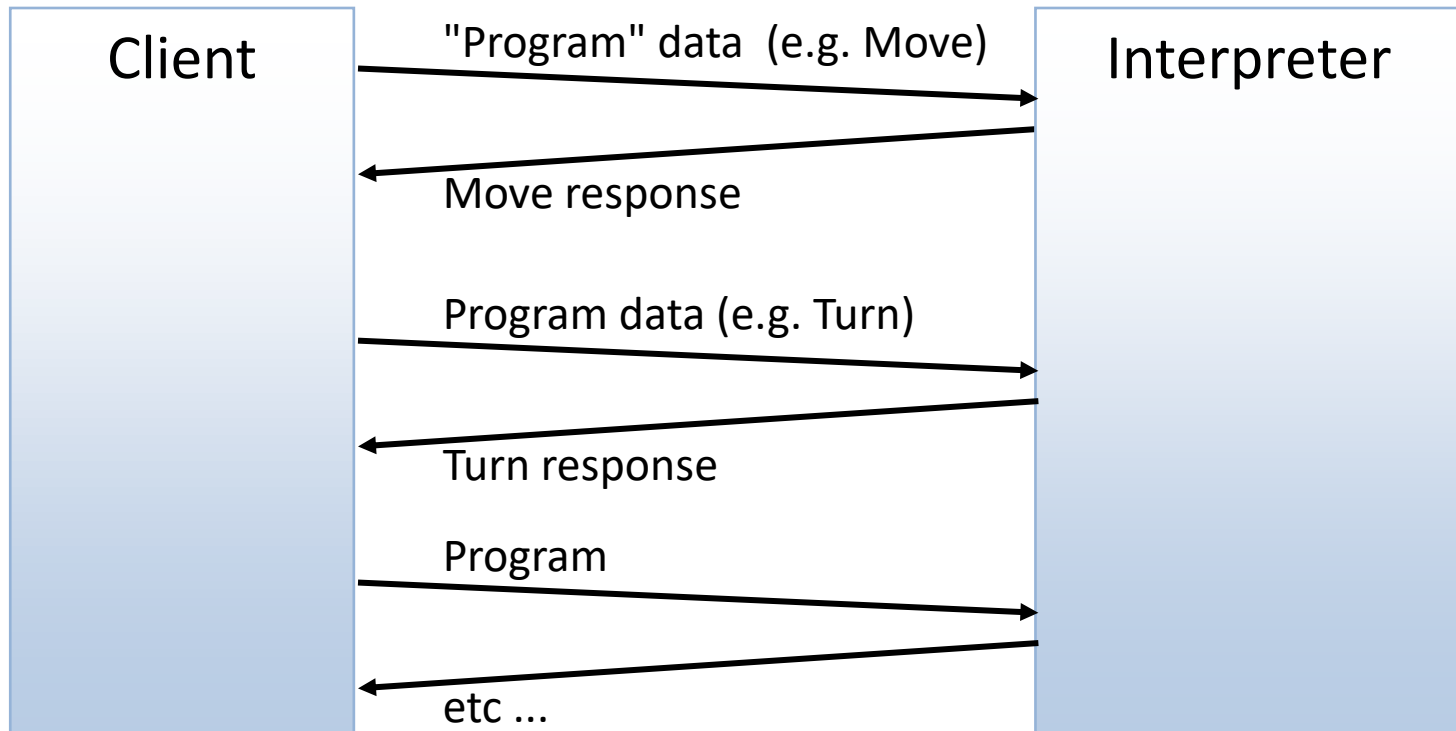
```
module TurtleAPI =  
  move : Distance -> State -> AsyncResult<Distance * State>  
  turn : Angle -> State -> AsyncResult<State>  
  penUp : State -> AsyncResult<State>  
  penDown : State -> AsyncResult<State>
```

Each change breaks the caller ☹️

Solution: decouple using data
instead of functions!

But how to manage control flow?

Overview



Create a "Program" type

```
type TurtleProgram =  
  //      (input params)      (response)  
  | Move    of Distance * (Distance -> TurtleProgram)  
  | Turn    of Angle * (unit -> TurtleProgram)  
  | PenUp    of (* none *) (unit -> TurtleProgram)  
  | PenDown  of (* none *) (unit -> TurtleProgram)  
  | Stop
```

↑
New case
needed!

↑
Input

↑
Output from
interpreter

↑
Next step for
the interpreter

Usage example

```
let drawTriangle =
```

```
  Move (100.0, fun actualDistA ->
```

```
    // actualDistA is response from interpreter
```

```
  Turn (120.0<Degrees>, fun () ->
```

```
    // () is response from interpreter
```

```
  Move (100.0, fun actualDistB ->
```

```
  Turn (120.0<Degrees>, fun () ->
```

```
  Move (100.0, fun actualDistC ->
```

```
  Turn (120.0<Degrees>, fun () ->
```

```
  Stop))))))
```

Ugly!

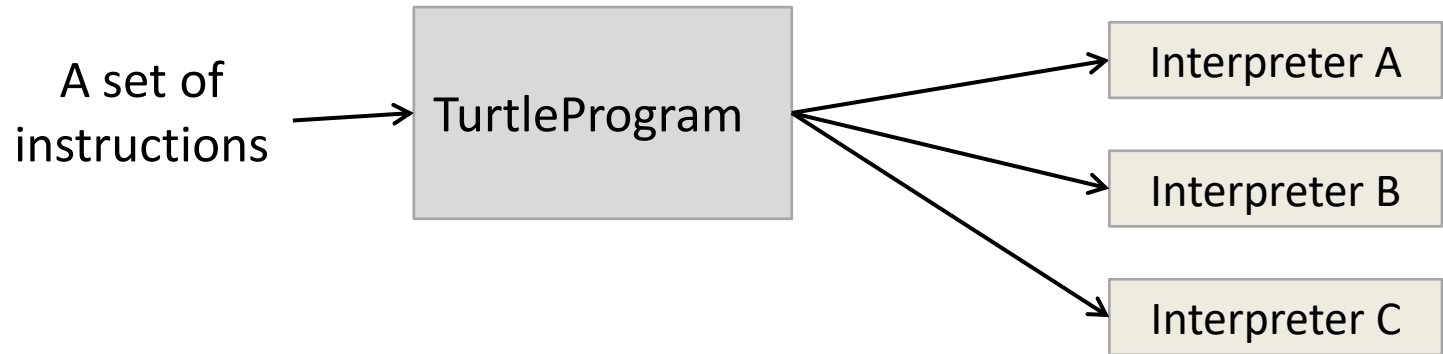
Can we hide the continuations
behind the scenes?

Yes, we can!

Usage example

```
let drawTriangle = turtleProgram {           // Seen this trick before!  
  let! actualDistA = move 100.0  
  do! turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  let! actualDistB = move 100.0  
  do! turn 120.0<Degrees>  
  let! actualDistC = move 100.0  
  do! turn 120.0<Degrees>  
}
```


Overview



Example: Turtle Interpreter

```
let rec interpretAsTurtle state program =  
  match program with  
  | Stop ->  
    state  
  | Move (dist, next) ->  
    let actualDistance, newState = Turtle.move dist state  
    let nextProgram = next actualDistance // next step  
    interpretAsTurtle newState nextProgram  
  | Turn (angle, next) ->  
    let newState = Turtle.turn angle state  
    let nextProgram = next() // next step  
    interpretAsTurtle newState nextProgram
```

Move the turtle

Execute the next step

Example: Distance Interpreter

```
let rec interpretAsDistance distanceSoFar program =
```

```
  match program with
```

```
  | Stop ->
```

```
    distanceSoFar
```

```
  | Move (dist, next) ->
```

```
    let newDistance = distanceSoFar + dist
```

```
    let nextProgram = next newDistance
```

```
    interpretAsDistance newDistance nextProgram
```

```
  | Turn (angle, next) ->
```

```
    // no change in distanceSoFar
```

```
    let nextProgram = next()
```

```
    interpretAsDistance distanceSoFar nextProgram
```

Calculate the
new distance



Execute the
next step

Interpreter demo

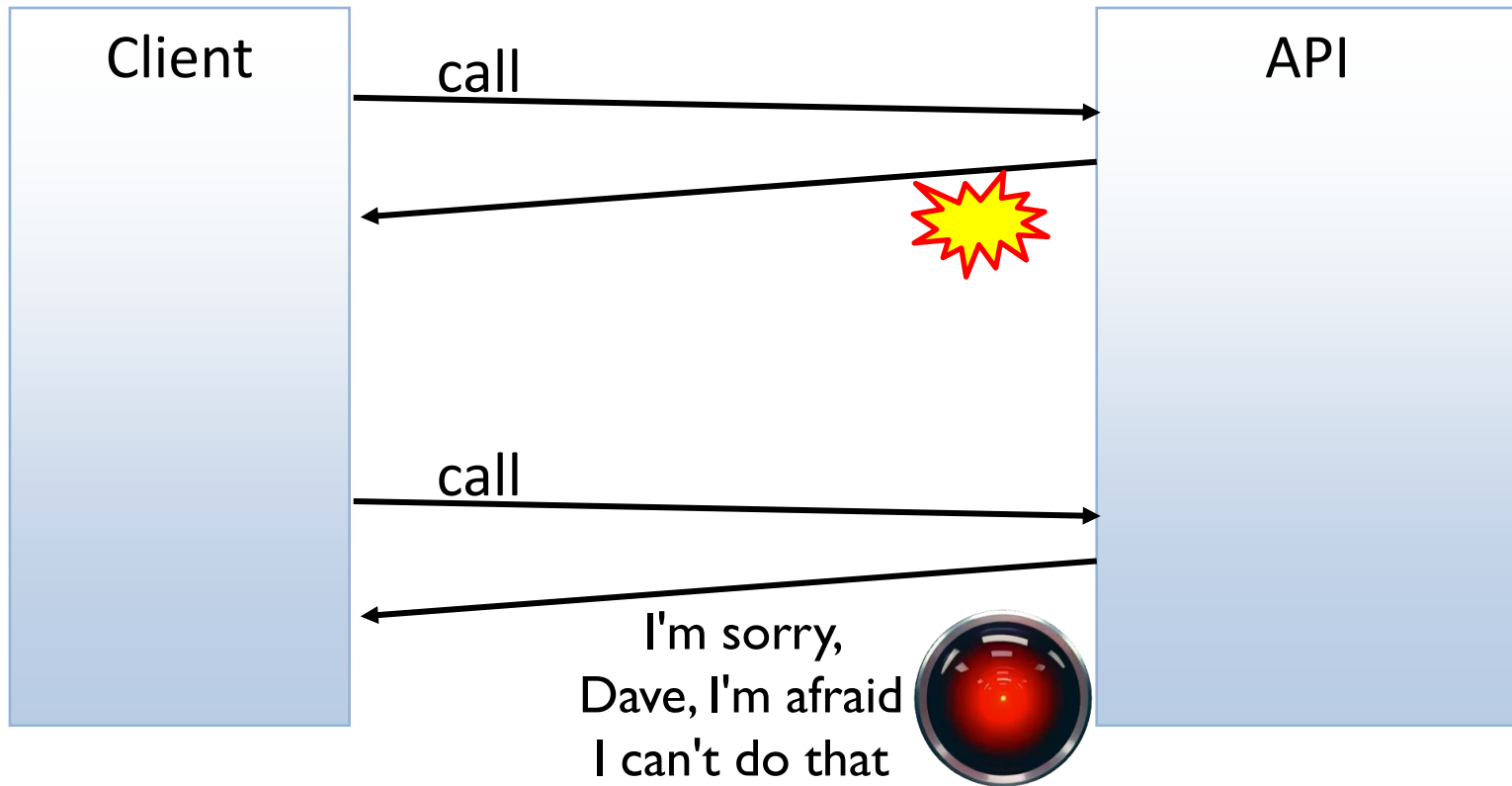
Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Completely decoupled
 - Pure API
 - Optimization possible
- Disadvantages
 - Complex
 - Best with limited set of operations

Examples: Twitter's "Stitch" library, Facebook's "Haxl"

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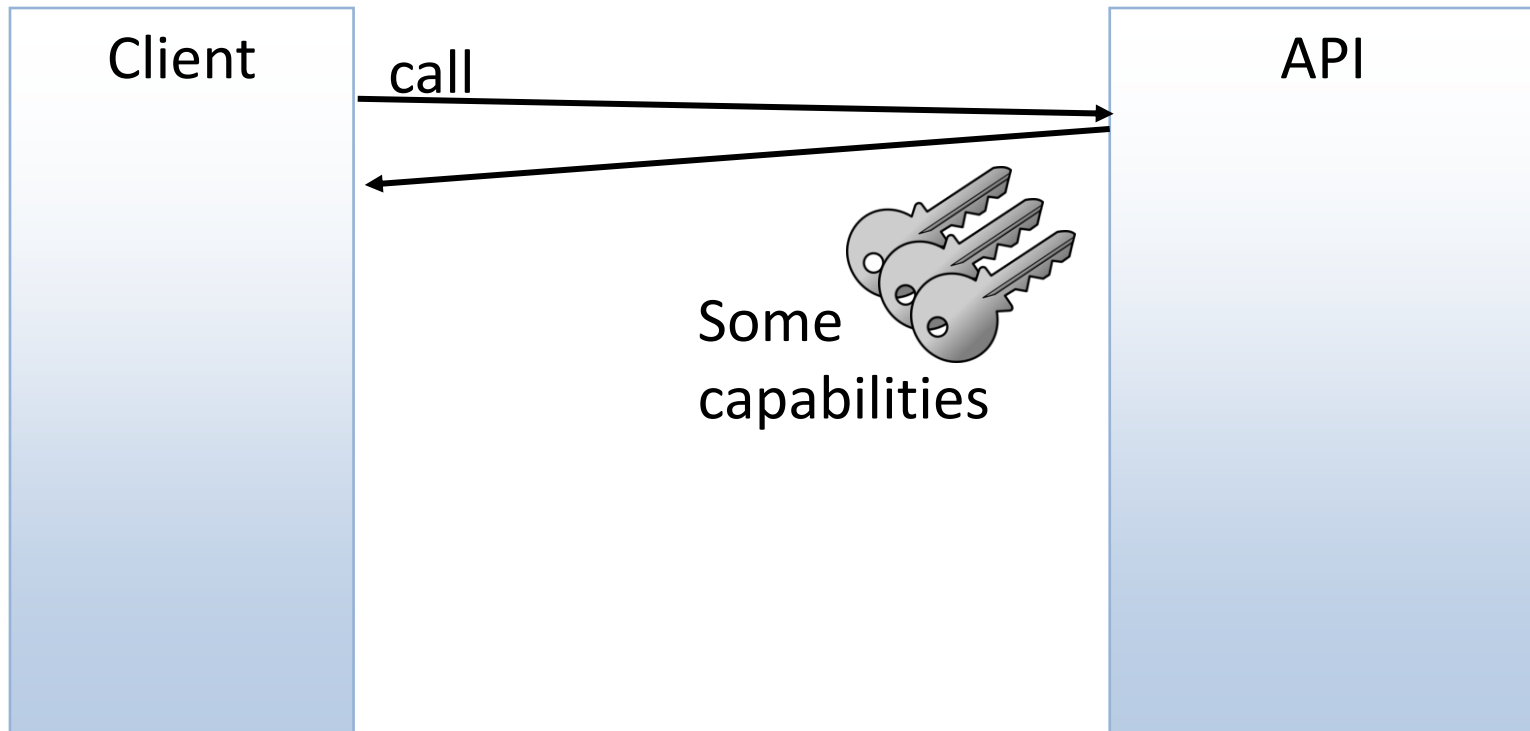
Rather than telling me what I **can't** do,
why not tell me what I **can** do?

Capability-based API

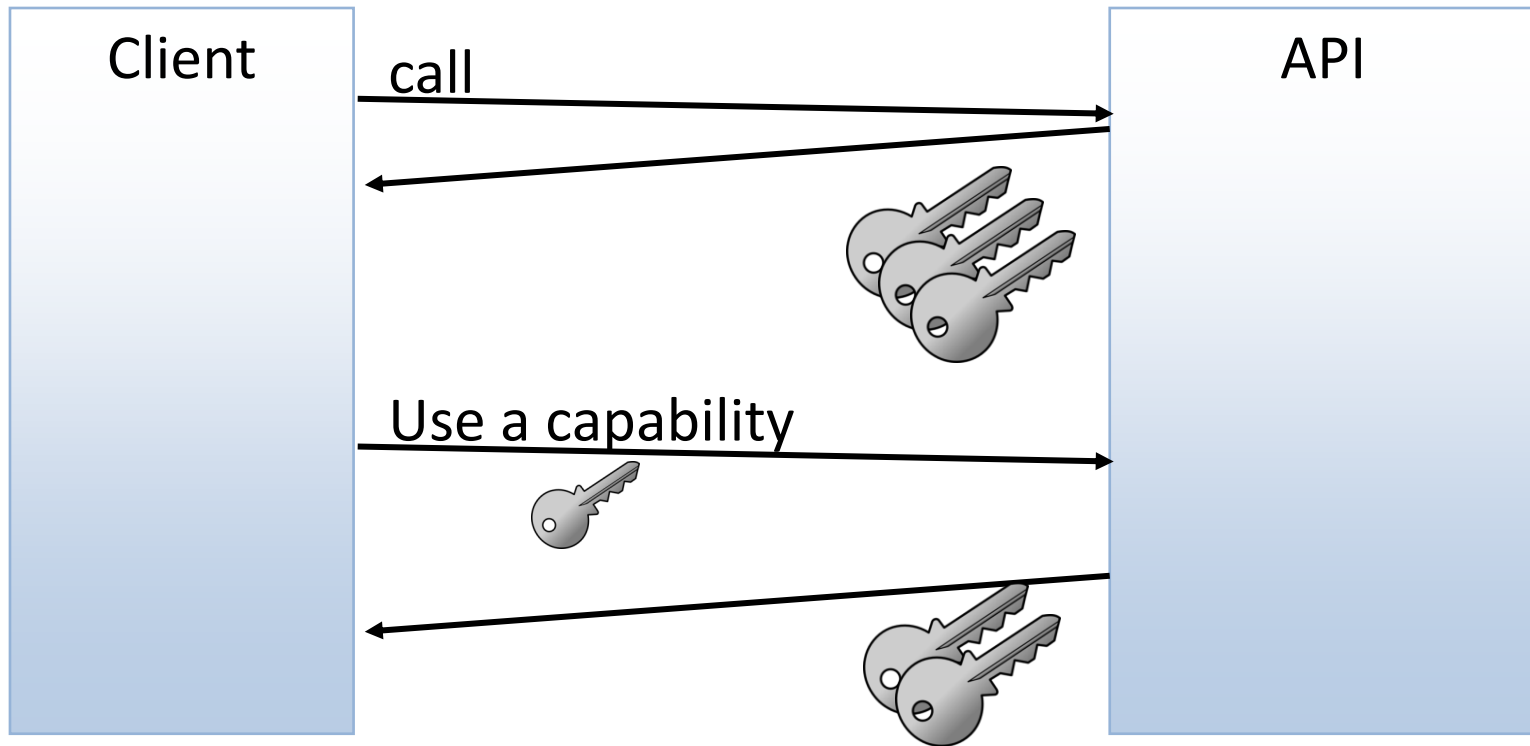


A capability

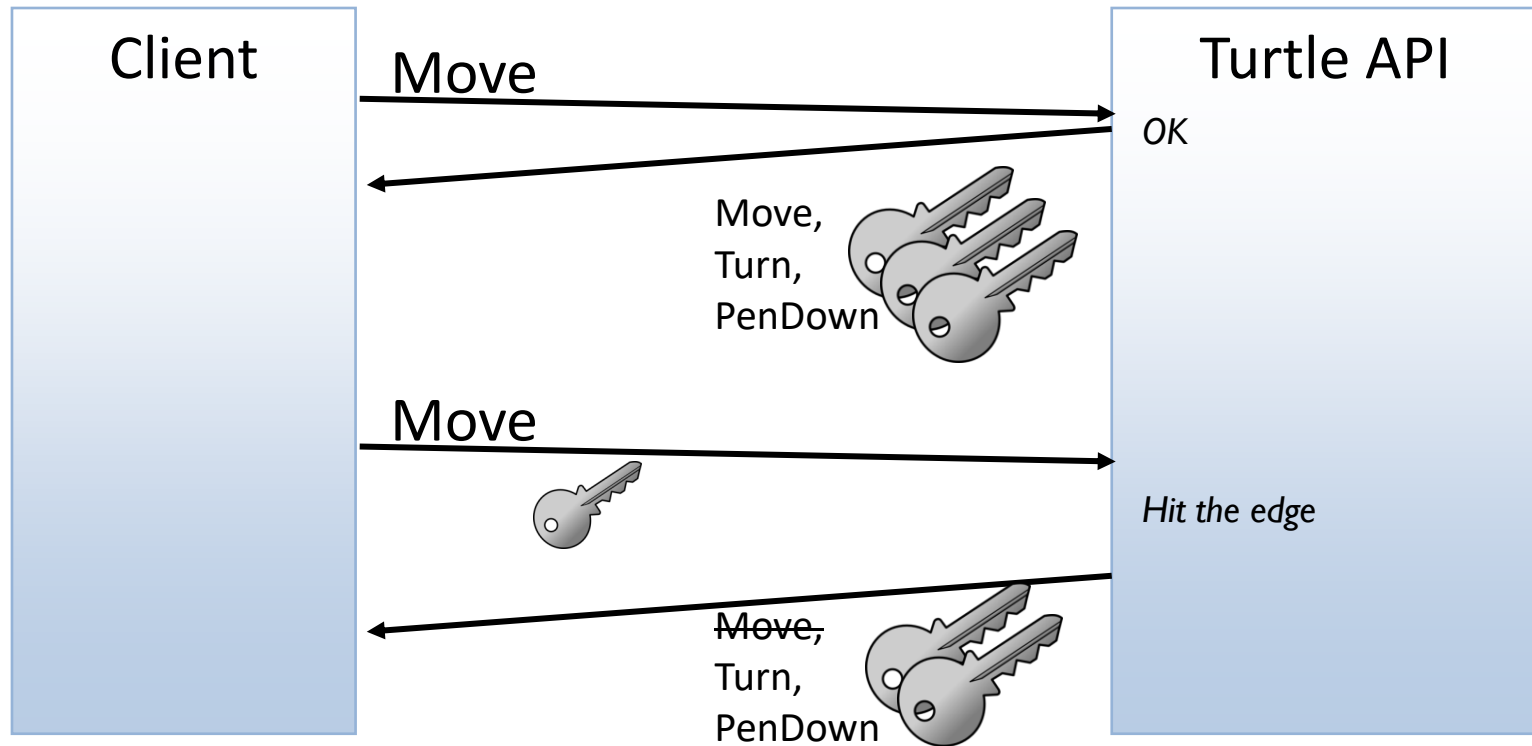
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Turtle API capabilities



Turtle Capabilities

```
type TurtleCapabilities = {  
    move      : MoveFn option  
    turn      : TurnFn  
    penUp     : PenUpDownFn  
    penDown   : PenUpDownFn  
}  
  
and MoveFn = Distance -> TurtleCapabilities  
and TurnFn = Angle -> TurtleCapabilities  
and PenUpDownFn = unit -> TurtleCapabilities
```

Usage example

```
let turtleCaps = Turtle.start()    // initial set of capabilities
match turtleCaps.move with
| None ->
    warn "Error: Can't do move 1"
    turtleCaps.turn 120<Degrees>
| Some moveFn ->    // OK
    let turtleCaps = moveFn 60.0    // a new set of capabilities
    match turtleCaps.move with
    | None ->
        warn "Error: Can't do move 2"
        turtleCaps.turn 120<Degrees>
    | Some moveFn ->
        ...
```

Capabilities demo

Advantages and disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Client doesn't need to duplicate business logic
 - Better security
 - Capabilities can be transformed for business rules
- Disadvantages
 - Complex to implement
 - Client has to handle unavailable functionality

Examples: HATEOAS

More at fsharpforfunandprofit.com/cap

Phew!



fsharpforfunandprofit.com/turtle

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