

DATA ALL THE WAY DOWN: AN INTRO TO DATASCRIPT & DATAHIKE

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IT'S ALL JUST VERY WET CRUD

POSTGRES

```
CREATE TABLE users (  
  id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,  
  first_name varchar(255) NOT NULL,  
  last_name varchar(255) NOT NULL,  
  email varchar(255) NOT NULL  
);
```

```
INSERT INTO users (first_name, last_name, email)  
VALUES ('Bilbo', 'Baggins');
```

```
SELECT first_name, last_name  
FROM users  
WHERE email = 'bilbo@the-shire.com';
```

```
UPDATE users
```

CLOJURE

```
(ns middle-earth.db.users
  (:require [clojure.set      :as set]
            [triangulum.logging :refer [log]]
            [triangulum.database :refer [call-sql
                                         sql-primitive
                                         p-insert-rows!
                                         insert-rows!]]
            [triangulum.type-conversion :as tc]
            [triangulum.utils          :as u]))

(defn get-user [email]
  (-> (call-sql "get_user" email)
      (set/rename-keys {:first_name :first-name
                       :last_name  :last-name})))
```

CLOJURESCRIPT

```
(ns middle-earth.users
  (:require [middle-earth.utils :refer [call-clj-async]]))

(defn add-user [email first-name last-name] ...)

(defn update-user [user-id {:keys [email first-name last-name]}] ...)

(defn get-user [email]
  (call-clj-async "get-user" email))

(defn delete-user [user-id] ...)
```

JAVASCRIPT/REACT

```
function get_user (email) {  
  fetch("/user?email=" + email)  
    .then(p => ...);  
}
```

```
function create_user (email, first_name, last_name) {  
  fetch("/user", {method: "POST",  
    body: JSON.stringify({'email': email,  
                          'first_name': first_na  
                          'last_name': last_name  
    })  
    .then(p => ...);  
}
```

```
function update_user (user_id, first_name, last_name, email) {
```

OVERVIEW

- 1 SQL Definition
- 4 SQL Functions
- 4 Clojure -> SQL Functions
- 4 API Routes
- 4 CLJS/JS -> API Functions
- N CLJS/JS Data Validation Functions
- M CLJS/JS Data 'Message' Functions to State/View
- 1 'Concept', $16+N+M$ Functions, 50 lines min.

HOW TO STAY DRY

- Query data close to the point of use.
- De-complex State management from UI components
- Eliminate manual 'data shuffling'.

DATALOG

- Declarative logic based on a subset of Prolog.
- Stores data in the form of 'triples' (Subject-Predicate-Object / Entity-Attribute-Value).
- Enables formal reasoning/deduction based on data (not covered).

DATA FORMAT

- Triple Format: [`<subject>` `<predicate>`
`<object>`]
- Datalog Format: [`<entity-id>`
`<attribute>` `<value>`]

ACCUMULATION OF FACTS

```
[42 :user/first-name "Bilbo"]  
[42 :user/last-name "Baggins"]  
[42 :user/email "bilbo@the-shire.com"]
```

```
[43 :user/first-name "Samwise"]  
[43 :user/last-name "Gamgee"]  
[43 :user/email "sam@the-shire.com"]
```

```
;; Make Samwise a friend of Frodo  
[43 :friend 42]
```

QUERIES & UNIFICATION

```
[?e :user/last-name "Baggins"]  
[?e :user/first-name ?first-name]
```

```
[?e1 :user/email "sam@the-shire.com"]  
[?e1 :friend ?e2]  
[?e2 :user/first-name ?first-name]
```

DATALOG BENEFITS

- Schema is not set in stone.
- Can represent collections / high cardinality data out of the box.
- Query language enables JOIN's without multiple tables.

DATASCRIPT

Datalog in the Browser. ([DataScript Repo](#))

DATASCRPT CRUD

```
(ns middle-earth.data
  (:require [datascript.core :as d]))

(def db (d/conn))

; CREATE
(d/transact db [{:user/first-name "Bilbo"
                 :user/last-name  "Baggin"
                 :user/email       "bilbo@the-shire.com"}])

; READ - Query
(d/q '[:find ?first-name ?last-name
      :in    $ ?email
      :where [?e :user/email ?email]
             [?e :user/first-name ?first-name]
```

DE-COMPLECTING YOUR UI

- State management and UI components become tightly coupled
- One application -> 20 different ways to manage state + UI
- Copying over re-usability

THE STATE OF (MOST) STATE

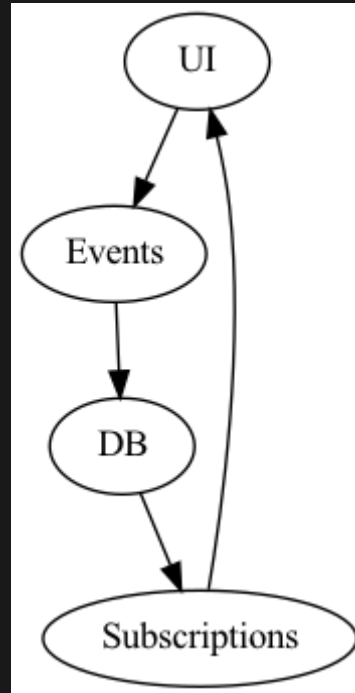
```
(ns middle-earth.hobbits
  (:require [reagent.core :as r]
            [middle-earth.utils :refer [call-clj-async!]]))

(def ^:private the-hobbits (r/atom []))

(defn- get-all-hobbits []
  (reset! the-hobbits (call-clj-async! "get-all-hobbits")))

(defn show-hobbits []
  [:div
   [:button {:label "Gather the Hobbits"
             :on-click get-all-hobbits}]
   [:h1 "The Hobbits"]
   [:h1]]
```

USING RE-FRAME TO MANAGE EVENTS/STATE



RE-FRAME: SUBSCRIPTIONS

```
(ns middle-earth.subs
  (:require '[re-frame.core :as rf]))
```

```
(rf/reg-sub
 :hobbits/all
 (fn [db _]
  (:hobbits db)))
```

RE-FRAME: EVENTS

```
(ns middle-earth.events
  (:require [re-frame.core :as rf]
            [middle-earth.utils :refer [call-clj-async!]]))

(rf/reg-event-db
 :hobbits/create
 (fn [db [_ {:keys [email] :as hobbit}]]
   (assoc-in db [:hobbits email] hobbit)))

(rf/reg-event-db
 :hobbits/pull-from-db
 (fn [db _]
   (->> (call-clj-async! "get-hobbits")
         (assoc db :hobbits))))
```

COMPONENT W/ RE-FRAME

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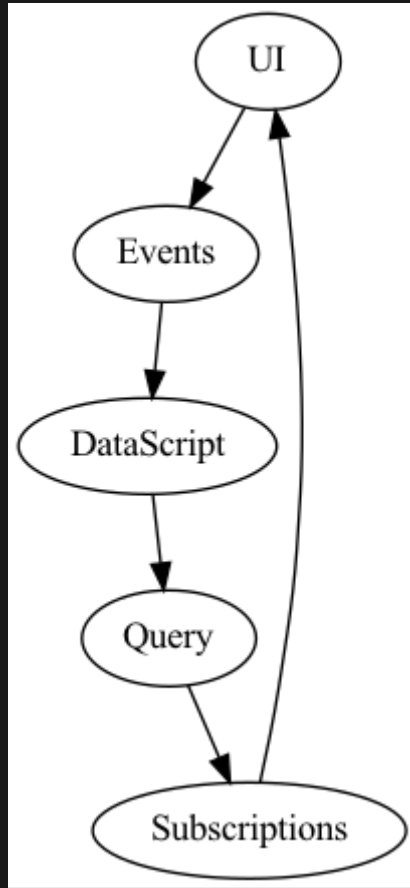
(defn show-hobbits []
  (let [the-hobbits (rf/subscribe [:hobbits/all])]
    [:div
     [:button {:label "Gather the Hobbits"
               :on-click #(rf/dispatch [:hobbits/pull-from-db])}]
     [:h1 "The Hobbits"]
     [:ul
      (for [email {:keys [first-name last-name]} @the-hobbits]
        [:a {:href (str "mailto:" email)}
         [:li (str first-name last-name)]]))]])])
```

BENEFITS OF RE-FRAME

- One "source of truth" for state (subscriptions), and managing state (events)
- Separate the UI from the "Data flow"

RE-POSH: RE-FRAME + DATASCRIP

- Subscribe to a DataScript DB using queries
- Events modify the DataScript DB



RE-POSH: SUBSCRIPTIONS W/ DATASCRIPT

```
(ns middle-earth.subs
  (:require [re-posh.core as rp]))

(rp/reg-sub
 :hobbits/all
 (fn [_ _]
  {:type :query
   :query '[:find ?email ?first-name ?last-name
            :where [?e :user/first-name ?first-name]
                   [?e :user/last-name ?last-name]
                   [?e :user/email ?email]]}))
```

RE-POSH: EVENTS W/ DATASCRIPT

```
(ns middle-earth.subs
  (:require [re-frame.core :as rf]
            [re-posh.core as rp]))

(rp/reg-event-fx
 :hobbits/create
 (fn [_ [_ hobbit]]
   {:transact [hobbit]}))

(rf/reg-event-fx
 :hobbits/pull-from-db
 (fn [db _]
   {:transact (call-clj-async! "get-hobbits")}))
```

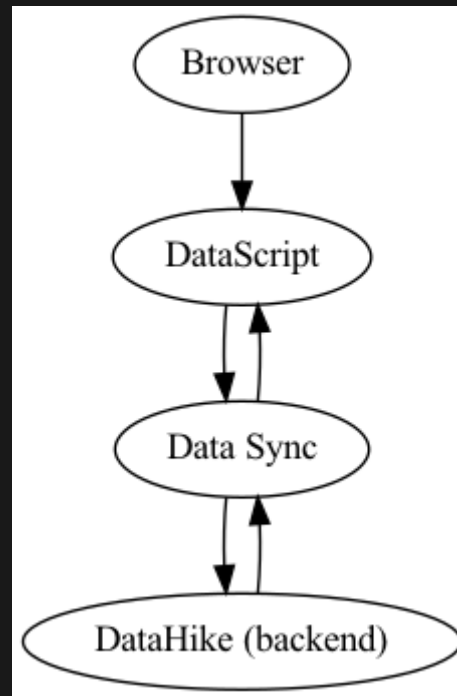
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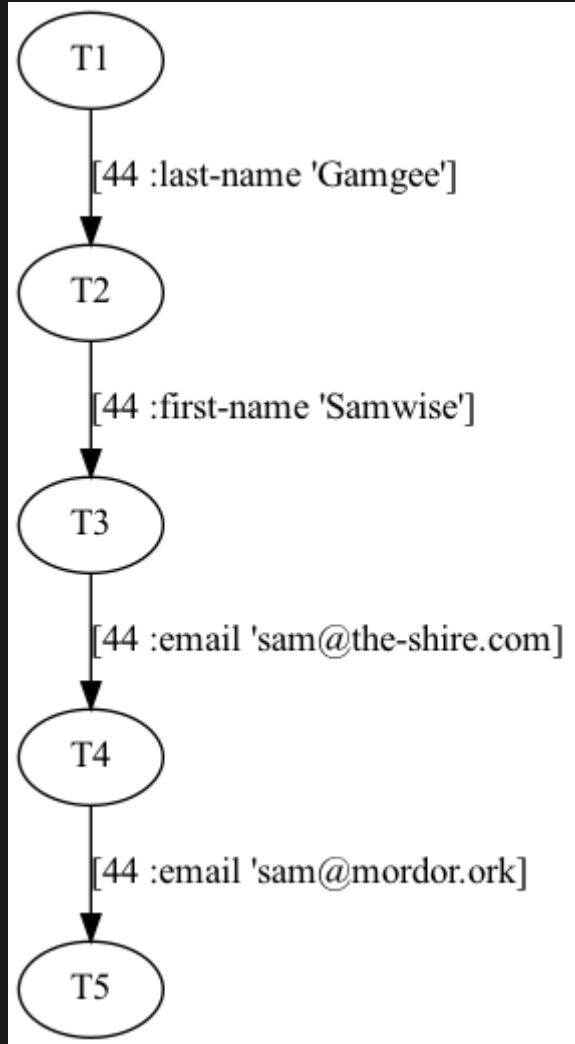
ELIMINATE MANUAL DATA SHUFFLING

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DATA SYNC

- Common data format ([entity attribute value tx-id operation])
- Ordered transactions with timestamps



GETTING DRY

- Start with Re-Frame (90%)
- Look to DataScript when you're noticing deeply nested maps (10%)
- Data Sync (R&D)

Q & A



