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Life After Business Objects
Confessions of an OOP veteran



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This talk isn't about
a war for the one and only
best programming paradigm

We will focus on what may
lead pragmatic developers
("pragmatists in pain" *)
to the paradigm shift

* Eric Sink "Why your F# evangelism isn't working"
https://ericsink.com/entries/fsharp_chasm.html

Our product



Let's begin with basics:
Modeling a point

Dmitry Ivanov (former JetBrains)



Immutable Collections in .NET

```
class Point {  
  
    int X { get; set; }  
    int Y { get; set; }  
  
    Point(int x, int y) { X = x; Y = y }  
  
    void IncreaseX (int xOffset) { X += xOffset; }  
    void IncreaseY (int yOffset) { Y += yOffset; }  
  
}
```



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    int GetHashCode() {...}  
    bool Equals(object other) {...}  
}
```

```
class Point {  
  
    readonly int X;  
    readonly int Y;  
  
    Point(int x, int y) { X = x; Y = y }  
  
    Point IncreaseX (int xOffset) => new Point(x + xOffset, y);  
    Point IncreaseY (int yOffset) => new Point(x, y + yOffset);  
  
    int GetHashCode() {...}  
    bool Equals(object other) {...}  
}
```

Data structures in F#

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```
let p = { X = 1; Y = 2 }  
let q = { p with X = p.X+1 }
```

Consequences of
~~design mistake~~
insufficient experience

Principle difference in
initial sets of defaults
between OOP and FP

Object Oriented Programming

Empowers
through
variety of choices

Functional Programming

Prevents
unconscious
mistakes

Half-lives of software related entities

- Developers 3.1 years
- Applications 6.2 years
- Lines of code 13 years

Robert Smallshire

“Predictive Models of Development Teams and the Systems They Build”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ohjcq6LAHw

For the sake of the next developer

Keep code succinct
and intentions clear

Functional Programming

Path
to
concurrency

Locks do not compose

Amdahl's law in action

If you have 10 processors
but only 40% of your code can be parallelized,
you will achieve performance gain of 1.56

Time to have a closer look at business objects

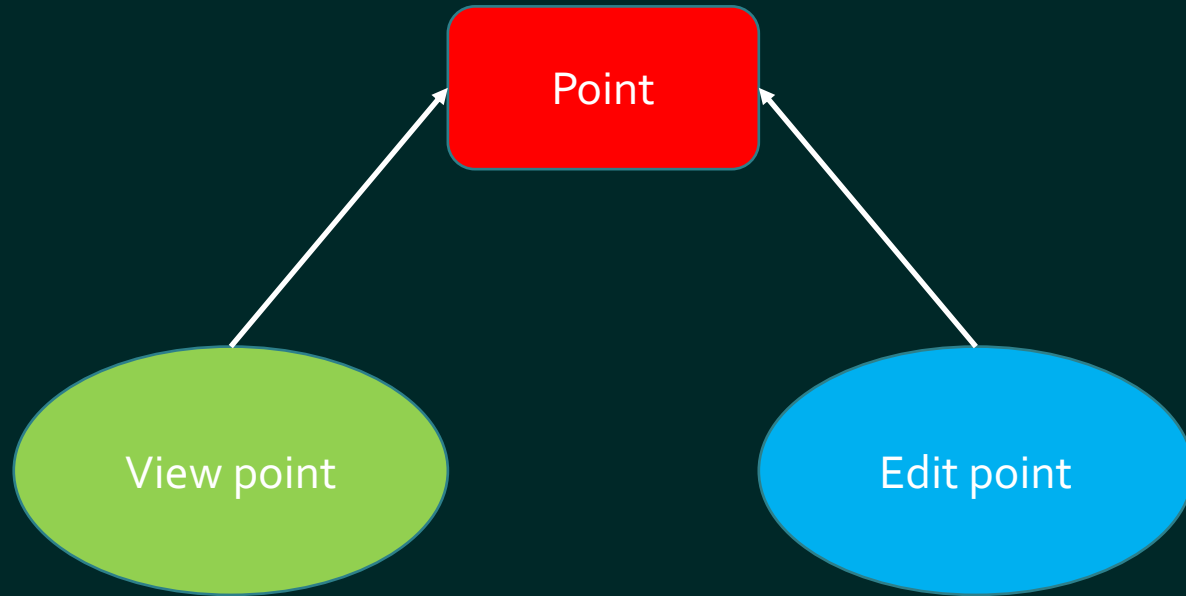
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```



```
class Point {  
  
    public readonly int X;  
    public readonly int Y;  
  
    public Point(int x, int y) { X = x; Y = y }  
  
    public Point IncreaseX (int xOffset) => ...;  
    public Point IncreaseY (int yOffset) => ...;  
  
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}
```

Why public?

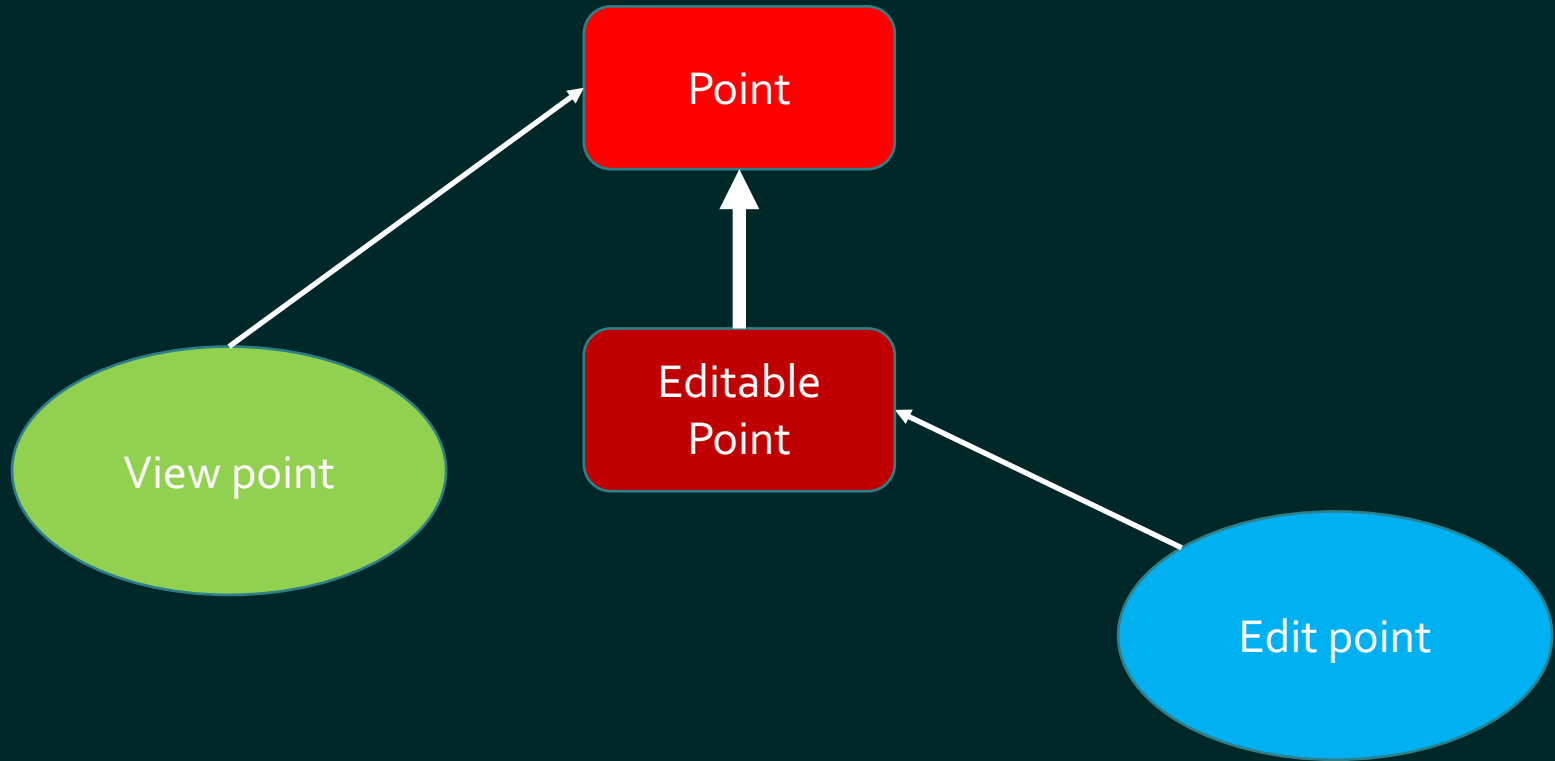
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}
```



Inheritance?

```
class Point {  
  public readonly int X;  
  public readonly int Y;  
  ...  
}
```

```
class EditablePoint : Point {  
  public Point IncreaseX (int xOffset) => ...;  
  public Point IncreaseY (int yOffset) => ...;  
}
```



Alternative

Move methods that change the state
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This is essentially abandoning Point as business object

F# modules as business logic scopes

```
type Point = {  
    X : int  
    Y : int  
}
```

```
module Point =  
    let increaseX v p = { p with X = p.X+v }  
    let increaseY v p = { p with Y = p.Y+v }
```


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```

```
let v = { X = 5; Y = 6 }  
let z = p |> Point.increaseX 1
```

Controlling business logic visibility via modules

```
type Point = {...}
```

```
module PointUpdate =
```

```
    let increaseX v p = { p with X = p.X+v }
```

```
    let increaseY v p = { p with Y = p.Y+v }
```

```
open PointUpdate
```

```
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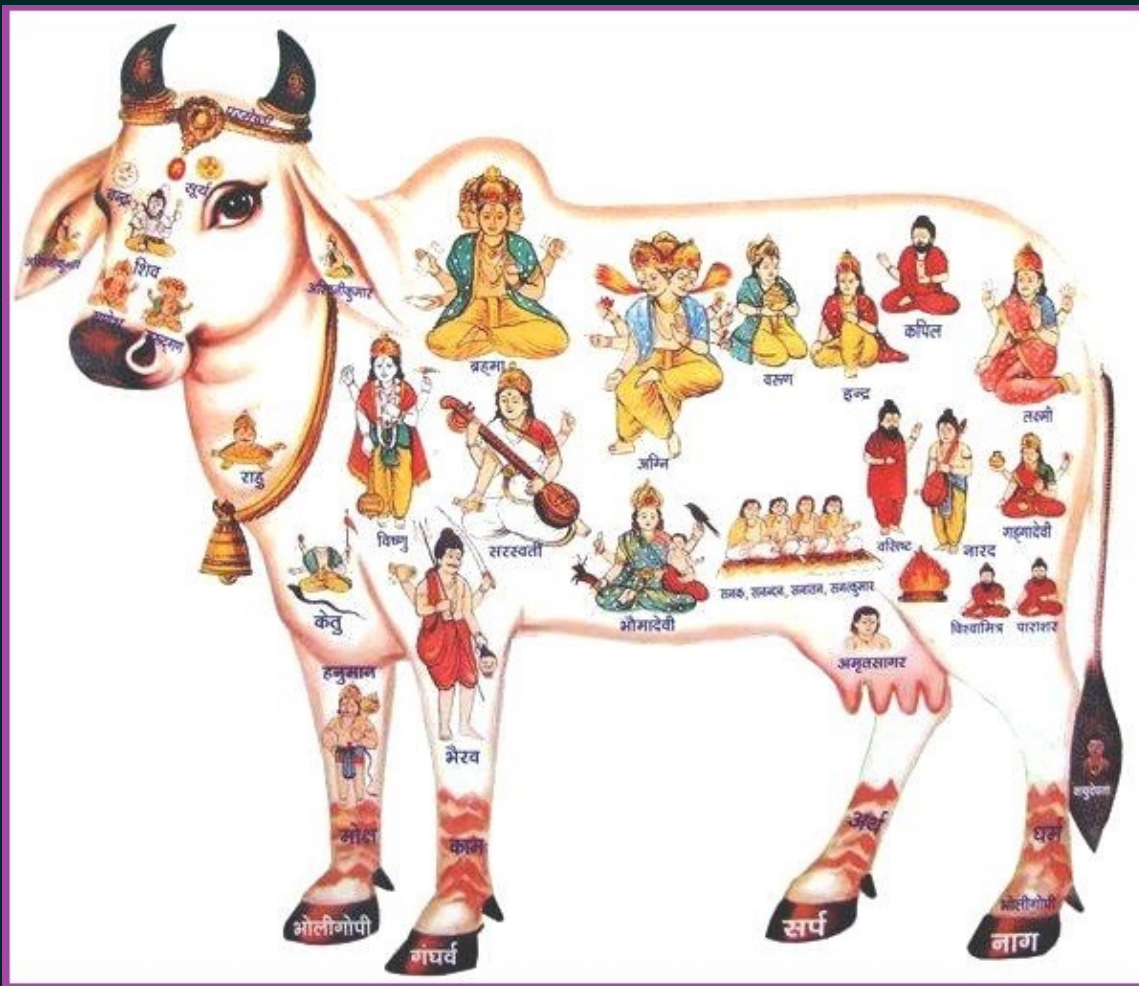
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let z = p |> increaseX 1
```



Joe Armstrong on OOP

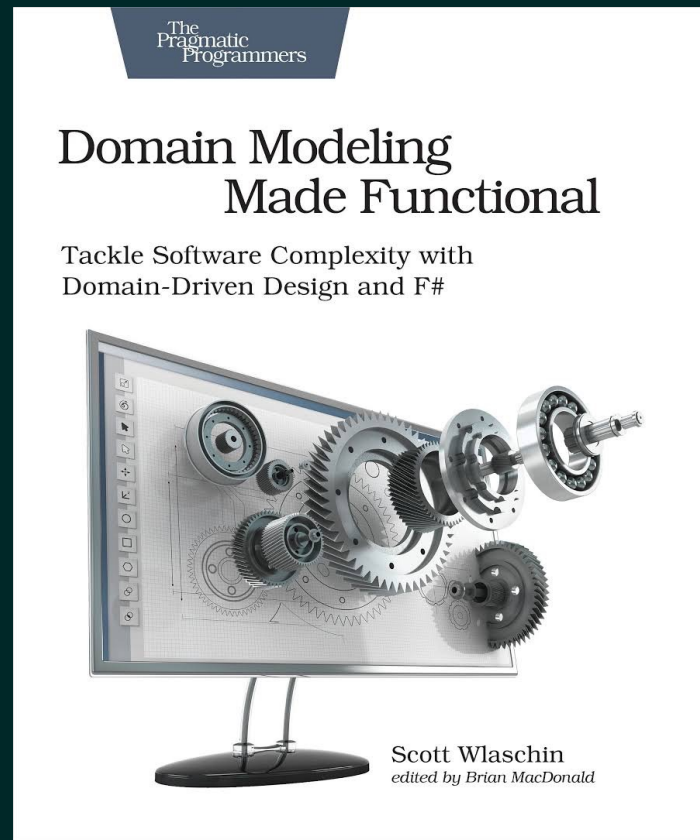
Since functions and data structures are completely different types of animal it is fundamentally incorrect to lock them up in the same cage

Business objects

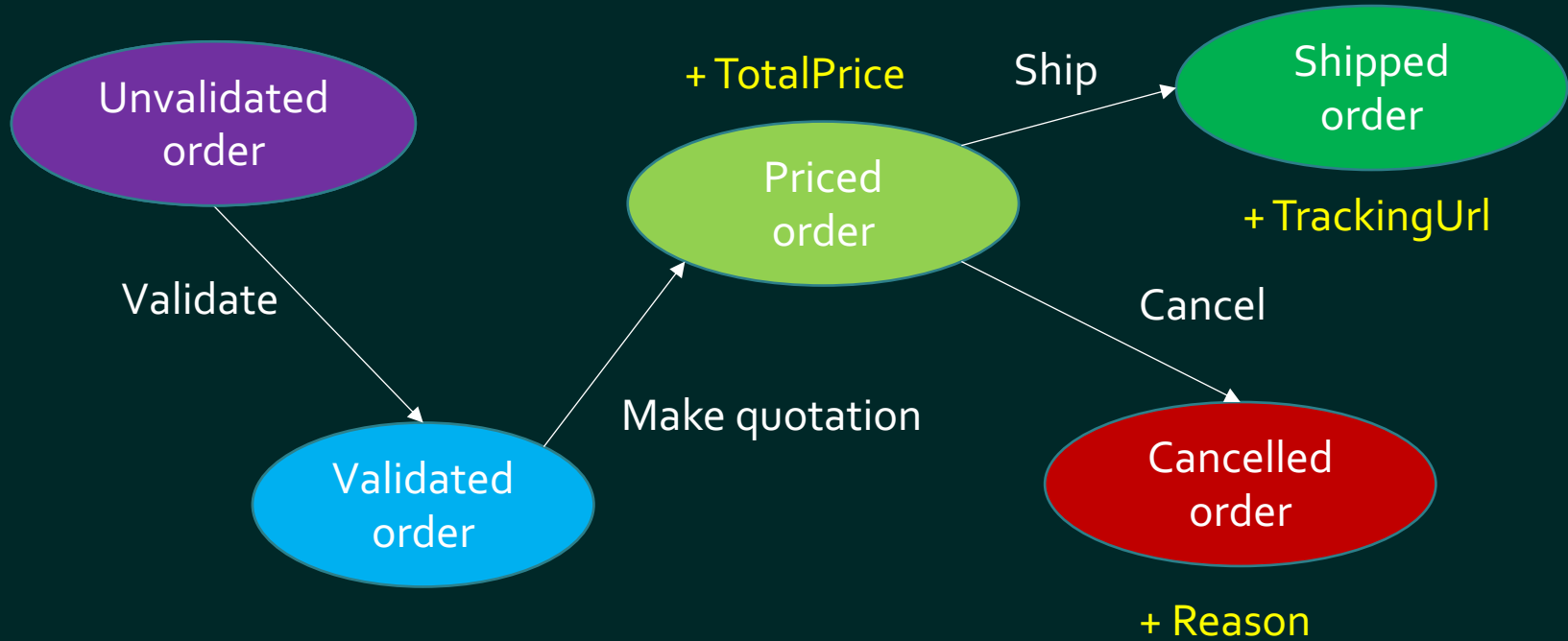




Scott Wlaschin «Domain Modeling Made Functional»



Order processing




```
class Order {  
...  
decimal TotalPrice { get; }  
Uri TrackingUrl { get; }  
string CancellationReason { get; }  
  
bool IsValidated { get; }  
bool IsShipped { get; }  
bool IsCancelled { get; }  
}
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    void Validate();  
    void Ship();  
    void Cancel();  
}
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}  
  
class OrderManager {  
    void Validate(Order order);  
    void Ship(Order order);  
    void Cancel(Order order);  
}
```

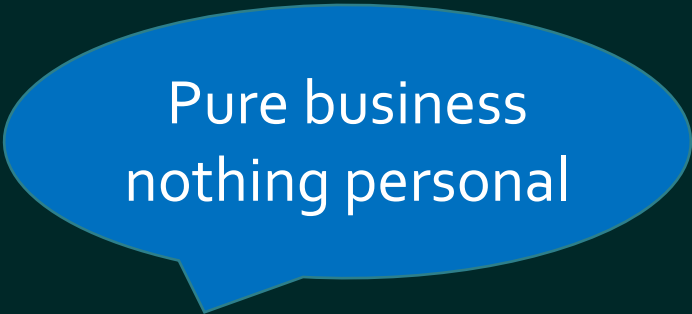
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...  
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string CancellationReason { get; }
```



Pure
data

```
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bool IsShipped { get; }  
bool IsCancelled { get; }  
}
```

```
class OrderManager {  
void Validate(Order order);  
void Ship(Order order);  
void Cancel(Order order);  
}
```



Pure business
nothing personal

```
class UnvalidatedOrder { ... }

class ValidatedOrder { ... }

class PricedOrder {
... decimal TotalPrice { get; }
}

class ShippedOrder {
... Uri TrackingUrl { get; }
}

class CancelledOrder {
... string Reason { get; }
}
```

```
class OrderValidator {
    ValidatedOrder
    ValidateOrder(...)
}

class QuotationMaker {
    PricedOrder
    MakeQuotation(...)
}

class OrderDispatcher {
    ShippedOrder
    ShipOrder(...)
}
```

Domain modeling in F#

```
type OrderDetails = string list
```

```
type UnvalidatedOrder = {  
    Details : OrderDetails  
}
```

```
type ValidatedOrder = {  
    Details : OrderDetails  
    ValidationTime : DateTimeOffset  
}
```

Domain modeling in F#

```
type PricedOrder = {  
    Details : OrderDetails  
    TotalPrice : decimal  
}
```

```
type ShippedOrder = {  
    Details : OrderDetails  
    Uri : TrackingUrl  
}
```

```
type CancelledOrder = {  
    Details : OrderDetails  
    Reason : string  
}
```

Domain modeling in F#

```
module OrderProcessing =
```

```
    let validateOrder (order : UnvalidatedOrder) =  
        { Details = order.Details  
          ValidationTime = DateTimeOffset.Now }
```

```
    let priceOrder totalPrice (order : ValidatedOrder) =  
        { Details = order.Details  
          TotalPrice = totalPrice }
```

```
    let shipOrder trackingUrl (order : PricedOrder) =  
        { Details = order.Details  
          TrackingUrl = trackingUrl }
```


Domain modeling in F#

```
open OrderProcessing
```

```
let order =  
    { Details = ["book"] }  
    |> validateOrder  
    |> priceOrder 9.90m  
    |> shipOrder (Uri "http://www.orders.com/40395874")
```

Algebraic data types in F#

```
type ExpiryDate = {  
    Year : int  
    Month : int  
}
```

```
type CardNumber = CardNumber of string
```

```
type PaymentCard = {  
    CardNumber : CardNumber  
    ExpiryDate : ExpiryDate  
}
```

```
type BankAccount = BankAccount of string
```

Algebraic data types in F#

```
type FundingSource =  
    | PaymentCard of PaymentCard  
    | BankAccount of BankAccount
```

```
let isSourceValid source =  
    let now = DateTime.Now  
    match source with  
    | PaymentCard x ->  
        x.ExpiryDate >= { Month = now.Month  
                           Year = now.Year }  
    | BankAccount _ -> true
```

Nulls should be avoided
not just by replacing them with options,
but avoiding options wherever possible



Yaron Minsky

Make illegal state
unrepresentable

<https://blog.janestreet.com/effective-ml-revisited/>

Optional values are fine
at domain boundaries
but corrupt its business logic

Maybe Not - Rich Hickey



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Rich Hickey



Can't we adopt FP style in C#/Java?

OO languages become multiparadigm

- Java
- Kotlin
- C#
- C++



Phil Nash

OO Considered Harmful

Cppcon 2018

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pH-q2m5sbo4>

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Best of ~~both~~ worlds? all

Low level: Prefer immutable value types

Persistent data structures

Monadic operations

Builders

Functionally composable algos (e.g ranges)

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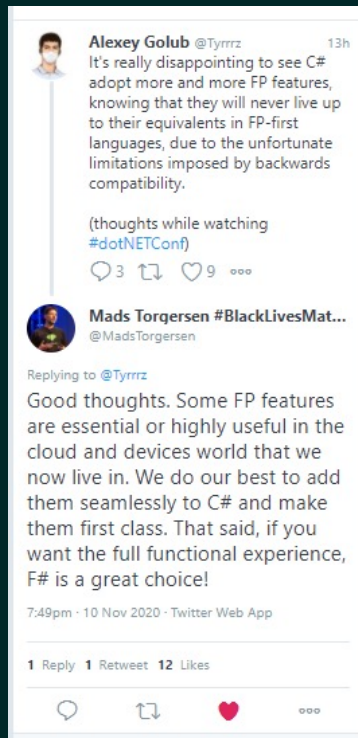
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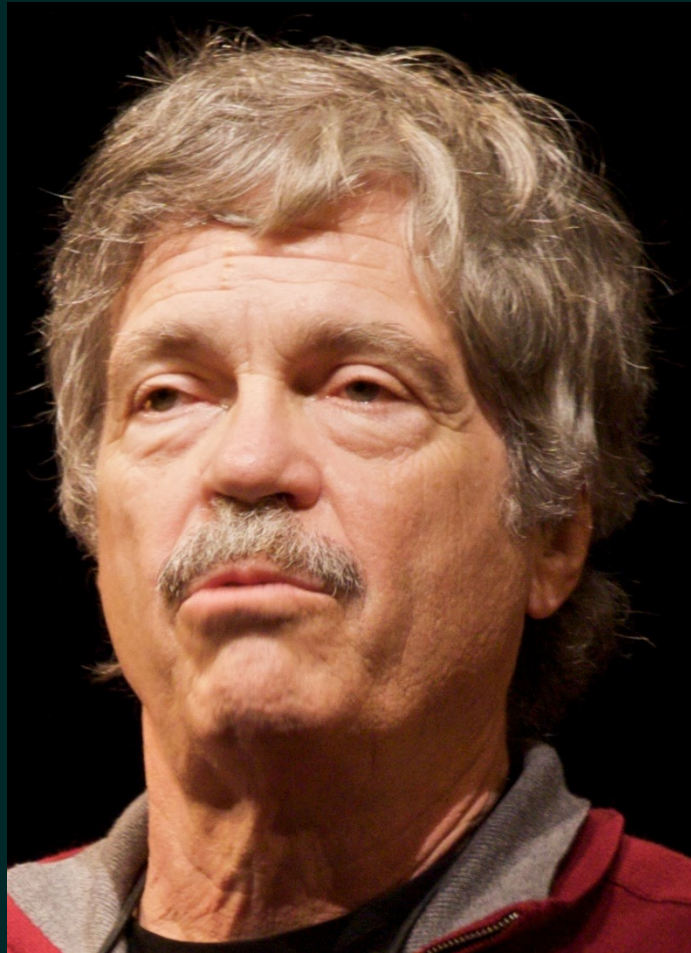
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But...

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Alan Kay

I invented the term
object-oriented,
and I can tell you
I did not have C++ in mind

Alan Kay on objects

“I thought of objects being like biological cells and/or individual computers on a network, only able to communicate with messages.”

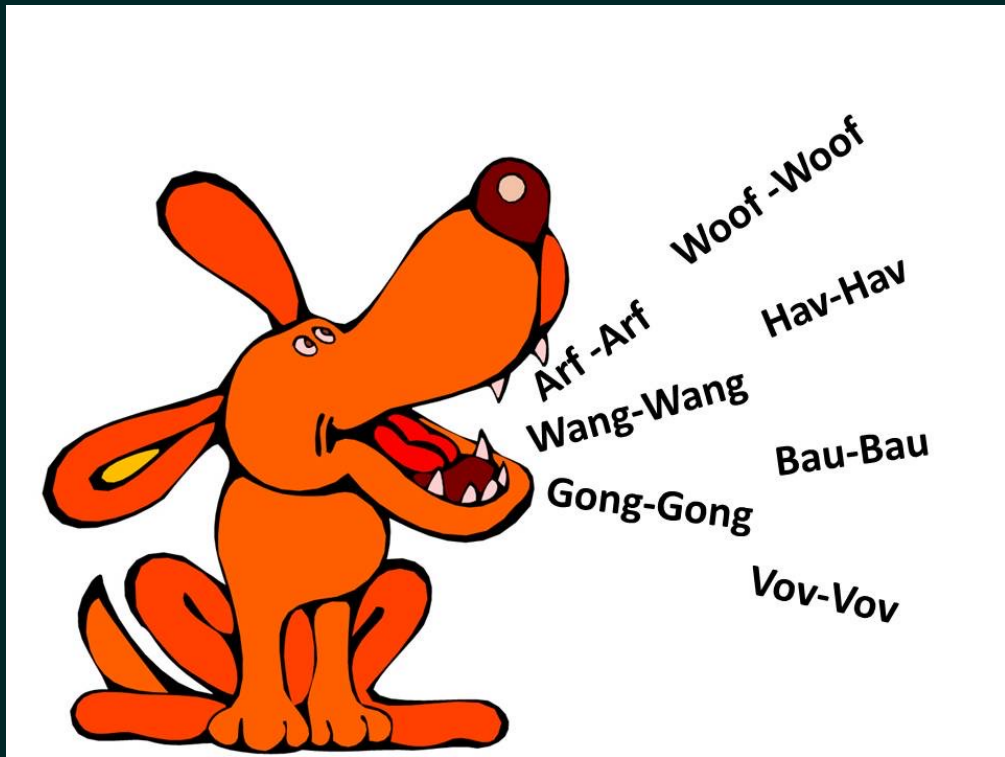
“OOP to me means only messaging, local retention and protection and hiding of state-process, and extreme late-binding of all things.”

http://userpage.fu-berlin.de/~ram/pub/pub_jf47ht81Ht/doc_kay_oop_en

Classic OOP vs real world

```
class Dog : Mammal {  
...  
string Name { get; }  
  
void Bark(string phrase) {  
...  
}
```

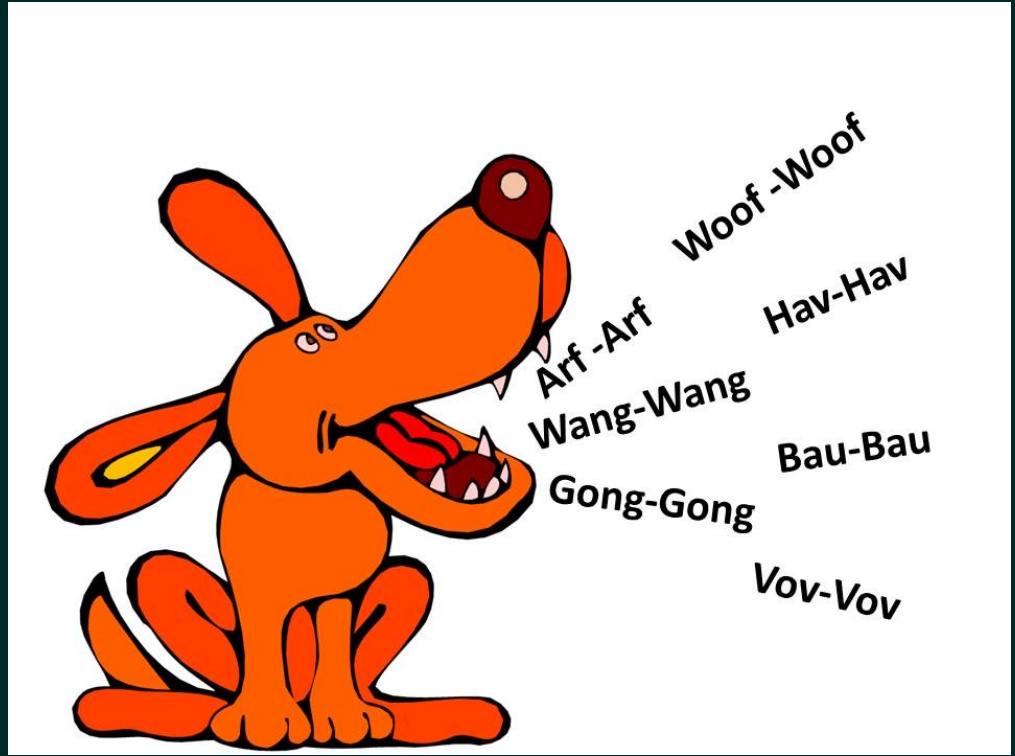
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var myDog = new Dog();  
myDog.Bark(«Woof-Woof»);
```





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Actor model as OO done right

We use actor model (Akka.NET)
to implement stateful objects

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What main advantage did we gain with FP?

Shortened the cycle
from specification
to production

Thank you!

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