

An Introduction to Functional Reactive Programming Lecture 2 (of 2)

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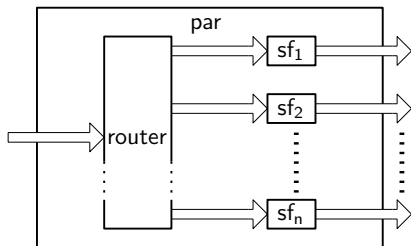
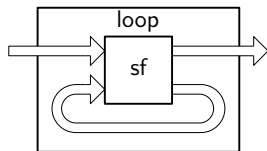
An edge detector with a specific event value

$$\begin{aligned} edgeTag &:: a \rightarrow SF\ Bool\ (Event\ a) \\ edgeTag\ a &= edge \gg\gg arr\ (tagWith\ a) \end{aligned}$$

Example: The Second Dimension

See accompanying code. . .

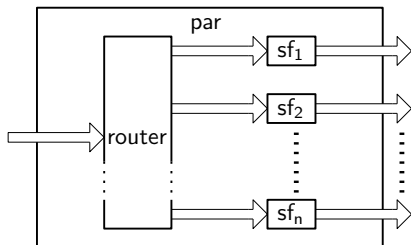
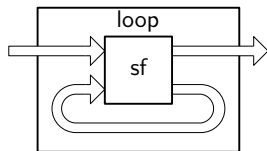
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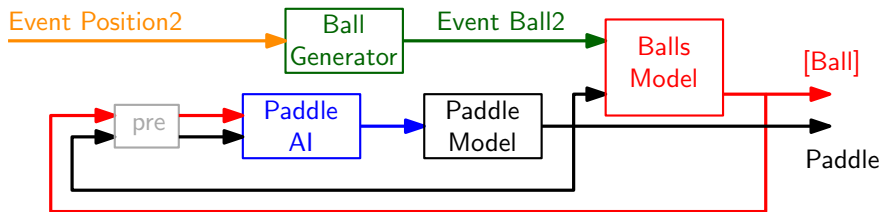
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{pSwitch} :: & (\forall sf. a \rightarrow [sf] \rightarrow [(b, sf)]) \\ & \rightarrow [SF b c] \\ & \rightarrow SF (a, [c]) (Event e) \\ & \rightarrow ([SF b c] \rightarrow e \rightarrow SF a [c]) \\ & \rightarrow SF a [c] \end{aligned}$$

Example: Adding and Deleting Signal Functions

See accompanying code. . .

Pong: High-level View



Conclusion

- Yampa is just one FRP language among many.
- If you want to learn more about Yampa, I'd recommend Henrik Nilsson's recent mini-course:
<http://www.cs.nott.ac.uk/~nhn/ITU-FRP2010/>
- Exercise: Add an alien spaceship to the Pong game, with at least one of the following features:
 - balls bounce off its sides; [hint: see the ball/paddle interaction]
 - it flies towards mouse clicks; [hint: use *hold* or *switch*]
 - a gun that fires new balls at regular intervals; [hint: use *repeatedly*]
 - a second (slower) spaceship that chases the first.

Email scripts to me by Friday 16th November.