

# Escape Your Framework

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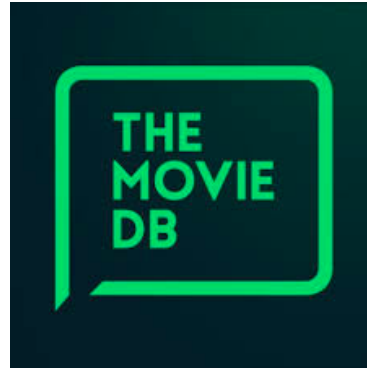
# The brief

- Famous Hollywood movie star wants some feedback on their code
- Working on a startup idea
- Question + Answer site

<http://thankoverflow.com>

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[themoviedb.org](https://themoviedb.org)

# Credits

curl "https://api.themoviedb.org/3/person/31/combined\_credits?api\_key=YOUR\_KEY"

```
{
  "cast": [
    {
      "id": 13,
      "character": "Forrest Gump",
      "original_title": "Forrest Gump",
      "overview": "A man with a low IQ has accomplished great things in his life...",
      "vote_count": 16820,
      "video": false,
      "media_type": "movie",
      "poster_path": "\yE5d3BUhE8hCnkMUJ0o1QDo0GNz.jpg",
      "backdrop_path": "\tNVTWNa8cxZLw7aWvHzSDLyc7ig.jpg",
      "popularity": 32.293,
      "title": "Forrest Gump",
      "original_language": "en",
      "genre_ids": [
        35,
        18,
        10749
      ],
      "vote_average": 8.4,
      "adult": false,
      "release_date": "1994-07-06",
      "credit_id": "52fe420ec3a36847f800074f"
    },
  ],
}
```

TMDB





## Version 1: Quick And Dirty



OK. This works.

But you need to escape your framework

# Version 1: Quick And Dirty

```
class V01::AdminController < ActionController::Base
  def index
  end

  def import_credits
    thanks_id = 31
    api_key = "YOUR_API_KEY_ABC123"
    url = "https://api.themoviedb.org/3/person/#{thanks_id}/combined_credits?api_key=#{api_key}&language=en-US"
    inserted_count = updated_count = error_count = 0
    JSON.parse(HTTP.get(url).to_s)["cast"].each do |cast_entry|
      title = Title.where(tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"]).first
      if title
        title.update( popularity: cast_entry["popularity"], synced_at: DateTime.now)
        updated_count += 1
      else
        title = Title.new(
          tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"],
          title: cast_entry["title"],
          character: cast_entry["character"],
          release_date: cast_entry["release_date"],
          media_type: cast_entry["media_type"],
          popularity: cast_entry["popularity"],
          synced_at: DateTime.now
        )
        if title.valid?
          title.save!
          inserted_count += 1
        else
          error_count += 1
        end
      end
    end
    flash[:notice] = "Imported #{inserted_count} new credits, updated #{updated_count}"
    flash[:error] = "#{error_count} titles had errors preventing saving" if error_count > 0
    redirect_to action: :index
  end
end
```

OK. This works.

But you need to escape your framework

## Version 1: Quick And Dirty

- Code coupled to Rails controllers
- Hard coded config
- Hard coded secrets 🤖
- Difficult to test
- Difficult to reuse
- Difficult to debug
- Let's escape the framework...

OK. This works.

But you need to escape your framework



## **Version 2: Extract From Controller**



## Version 2: Extract From Controller

```
Rails.application.configure do
  # ...
  config.tmdb_api_key = ENV["TMDB_API_KEY"]
  config.tmdb_api_url = "https://longurl.."
end
```

```
class V02::AdminController < ActionController::Base
  THANKS_ID = 31

  def index
  end

  def import_credits
    importer = CreditImporter.new(
      person_id: THANKS_ID,
      url: Rails.configuration.tmdb_api_url
    )
    inserted_count, updated_count, error_count = importer.import()

    flash[:notice] = "Imported #{inserted_count} new credits, updated #{updated_count}"
    flash[:error] = "#{errors_count} titles had errors preventing saving" if error_count > 0
    redirect_to action: :index
  end
end
```

## Version 2: Extract From Controller

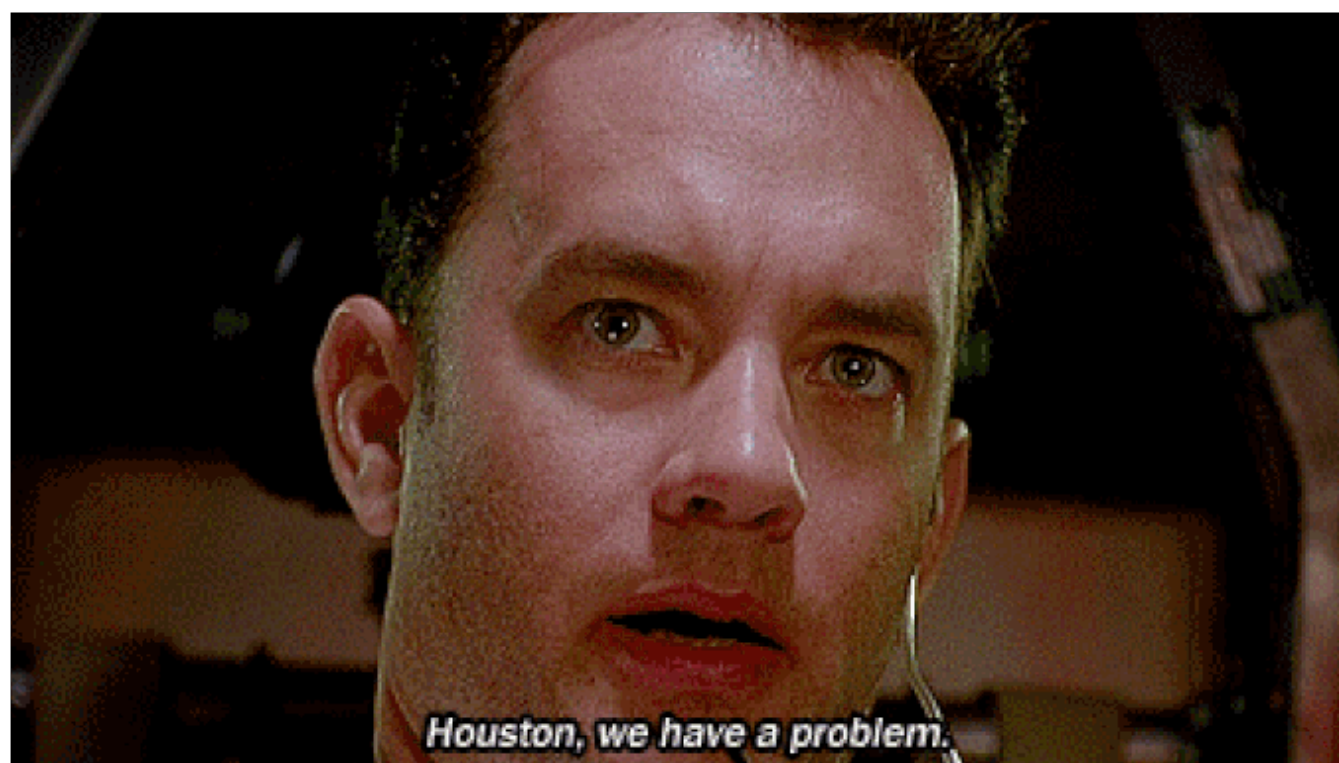
```
class V02::CreditImporter
  def initialize(person_id:, url:)
    @person_id = person_id
    @url = url
  end

  def import()
    inserted_count = updated_count = error_count = 0
    JSON.parse(HTTP.get(@url).to_s)["cast"].each do |cast_entry|
      title = Title.where(tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"]).first
      if title
        title.update( popularity: cast_entry["popularity"], synced_at: DateTime.now)
        updated_count += 1
      else
        title = Title.new(
          tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"],
          title: cast_entry["title"],
          character: cast_entry["character"],
          release_date: cast_entry["release_date"],
          media_type: cast_entry["media_type"],
          popularity: cast_entry["popularity"],
          synced_at: DateTime.now
        )
        if title.valid?
          title.save!
          inserted_count += 1
        else
          error_count += 1
        end
      end
    end
  end
  [inserted_count, updated_count, error_count]
end
end
```

## Version 2: Extract From Controller

- Better, but...
- Error cases not handled
- Let's escape the framework...







**Let's talk about our values...**

*Houston, we have a problem.*

# Values

- <https://github.com/tcrayford/Values>
- [https://github.com/madlep/Values/tree/ruby\\_27\\_pattern\\_matching\\_support](https://github.com/madlep/Values/tree/ruby_27_pattern_matching_support)

```
Point = Value.new(:x, :y)

some_point = Point.new(123, 456)
#<Point x=123, y=456>

changed_point = some_point.with(y: 789)
#<Point x=123, y=789>

some_point.inspect
#<Point x=123, y=456>
# Hasn't changed!
```

## Version 3: Handle errors

```
Success = Value.new(:result) do
  def success?
    true
  end

  def failure?
    false
  end
end

Failure = Value.new(:message) do
  def success?
    false
  end

  def failure?
    true
  end
end
```

*Houston, we have a problem.*

## Version 3: Handle errors

```
ImportSummary = Value.new(  
  :inserted_count,  
  :updated_count,  
  :error_count  
)
```

*Houston, we have a problem.*

## Version 3: Handle errors

```
def fetch_credits()
  response = HTTP.get(@url)
  if response.status.success?
    Success.new(response.to_s)
  else
    Failure.new("error fetching credits. Status=#{response.status}")
  end
rescue HTTP::Error => e
  Failure.new(e.message)
end

def parse_credits(credits_json)
  begin
    Success.new(JSON.parse(credits_json))
  rescue JSON::ParserError => e
    Failure.new("error parsing credits JSON: '#{e.message}'")
  end
end
```

## Version 3: Handle errors

```
def create_or_update_title(cast_entry, import_summary)
  title = Title.where(tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"]).first
  if title
    title.update( popularity: cast_entry["popularity"], synced_at: DateTime.now)
    import_summary.with(updated_count: import_summary.updated_count + 1)
  else
    title = Title.new(
      tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"],
      title: cast_entry["title"],
      character: cast_entry["character"],
      release_date: cast_entry["release_date"],
      media_type: cast_entry["media_type"],
      popularity: cast_entry["popularity"],
      synced_at: DateTime.now
    )
    if title.valid?
      title.save!
      import_summary.with(inserted_count: import_summary.inserted_count + 1)
    else
      import_summary.with(error_count: import_summary.error_count + 1)
    end
  end
end
```

## Version 3: Handle errors

```
def import()
  fetch_credits_result = fetch_credits()
  if fetch_credits_result.failure?
    return fetch_credits_result
  else
    parse_credits_result = parse_credits(fetch_credits_result.result)
    if parse_credits_result.failure?
      return parse_credits_result
    else
      import_summary = ImportSummary.new(0,0,0)
      parse_credits_result.result["cast"].each do |cast_entry|
        import_summary = create_or_update_title(cast_entry, import_summary)
      end
      Success.new(import_summary)
    end
  end
end
end
```

*Houston, we have a problem.*

if/else pyramid of doom



## Version 3: Handle errors

- Better, but...
- if/else pyramid of doom
- Let's escape the framework...

*Houston, we have a problem.*

if/else pyramid of doom



## Version 4: And then...

```
Success = Value.new(:result) do
  def and_then(&callback)
    callback.(self.result)
  end
end

Failure = Value.new(:message) do
  def and_then(&_callback)
    self
  end
end
```

**Version 4: And then...**



## Version 4: And then...

```
ImportSummary = Value.new(:inserted_count, :updated_count, :error_count) do
  def inserted()
    self.with(inserted_count: self.inserted_count + 1)
  end

  def updated()
    self.with(updated_count: self.updated_count + 1)
  end

  def errored()
    self.with(error_count: self.error_count + 1)
  end
end
```

## Version 4: And then...

```
def import()
  fetch_credits()
  .and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
  .and_then(){|credits|
    credits["cast"]
    .reduce(ImportSummary.new(0,0,0), &method(:create_or_update_title))
    .then(){|final_summary|
      Success.new(final_summary)
    }
  }
end
```

Hang on... &method ?

## Version 4: And then...

Wait what?

```
.and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
```

## Version 4: And then...

```
def square(x)
  x * x
end

square(4)
# 16

[1,2,3,4].map{|x| square(x)}
# [1, 4, 9, 16]
```



## Version 4: And then...

```
def square(x)
  x * x
end

squarer = method(:square)
squarer.call(4)
# 16

[1,2,3,4].map{|x| squarer.(x) }
# [1, 4, 9, 16]

[1,2,3,4].map(&squarer)
# [1, 4, 9, 16]

[1,2,3,4].map(&method(:square))
# [1, 4, 9, 16]
```

## Version 4: And then...

```
def import()
  fetch_credits()
  .and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
  .and_then(){|credits|
    credits["cast"]
    .reduce(ImportSummary.new(0,0,0), &method(:create_or_update_title))
    .then(){|final_summary|
      Success.new(final_summary)
    }
  }
end
```

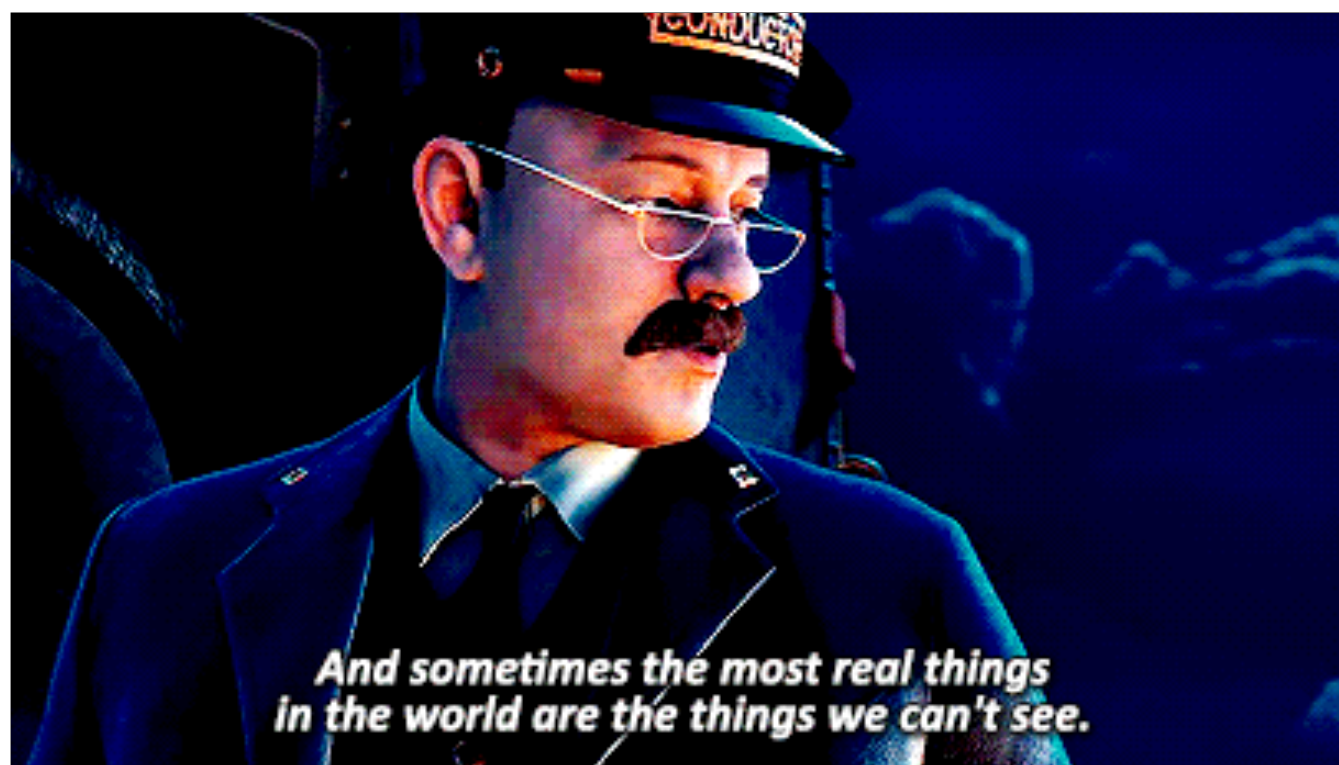
Hang on... &method ?

## Version 4: And then...

- Just think about the happy case
- Wrap success/failure in values
- Only proceed on success
- BUT, side effects are all through the logic
- Let's escape the framework...

*Houston, we have a problem.*

Still riddled with side effects, which makes it harder to test and reuse



*And sometimes the most real things  
in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

- Imperative state handling in the “shell” layer
- Business logic in the “functional core”
- Shell is simple, provides services, delegates to core
- Core does the work.
- Core DOES NOT do any “side effects”

*things in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

- Imperative state handling in the “shell” layer
  - Business logic in the “functional core”
  - Shell is simple, provides “effectful” services
  - Shell delegates to core to do work
  - Application uses the shell API
  - Core does the work.
  - Core DOES NOT do any “side effects”
- most real things  
in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

- **Functional Core DOES NOT** do any “side effects”

- **No** IO (files, database, network...)

- **No** random

- **No** current time

- Pure

- Stateless

- Immutable

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## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

[destroyallsoftware.com/talks/boundaries](https://destroyallsoftware.com/talks/boundaries)

[destroyallsoftware.com/screencasts/catalog/functional-core-imperative-shell](https://destroyallsoftware.com/screencasts/catalog/functional-core-imperative-shell)

[wikipedia.org/wiki/Hexagonal\\_architecture\\_\(software\)](https://wikipedia.org/wiki/Hexagonal_architecture_(software))  
(aka “ports and adapters”)

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## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
class V05::CreditImporterShell
  def import()
    CreditImporterCore.new.(
      method(:fetch_credits),
      method(:find_title),
      ImportSummary.new(0,0,0)
    )
  end

  private
  def fetch_credits()
    # ...
  end

  def find_title(tmdb_id)
    # ...
  end
end
```

Inject methods into functional core so it doesn't have to handle that logic.  
Shell provides effectful services

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
class V05::CreditImporterCore
  def call(fetch_credits, find_title, import_summary)
    fetch_credits.()
    .and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
    .and_then(&method(:import_credits).curry.(import_summary, find_title))
  end

  def parse_credits(credits_json)
    # ...
  end

  def import_credits(import_summary, find_title, credits)
    credits["cast"]
    .reduce(import_summary, &method(:create_or_update_title).curry.(find_title))
    .then{|final_summary|
      Success.new(final_summary)
    }
  end

  def create_or_update_title(find_title, import_summary, cast_entry)
    title = find_title.(cast_entry["id"])
    if title
      # ...
    else
      # ...
    end
  end
end
```

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def call(fetch_credits, find_title, import_summary)
  fetch_credits.()
  .and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
  .and_then(&method(:import_credits).curry.(import_summary, find_title))
end
```

*And sometimes the most real things  
in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

# Wait what?

```
&method(:import_credits).curry.(import_summary, find_title))
```

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in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def add(x, y)
  x + y
end
```

```
add(1, 2)
# 3
```

*And sometimes the most real things  
in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def add(x, y)
  x + y
end

adder = method(:add)
adder.(1,2)
# 3
```

*And sometimes the most real things  
in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def add(x, y)
  x + y
end

adder = method(:add)

add_5 = ->(x){adder.(5, x)}
add_5.(2)
# 7
```

*And sometimes the most real things  
in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def add(x, y)
  x + y
end

add_5 = adder.curry.(5)
add_5.(2)
# 7

add_5 = method(:add).curry.(5)
add_5.(2)
# 7
```

*in the world are the things we can't see.*



## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def call(fetch_credits, find_title, import_summary)
  fetch_credits.()
  .and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
  .and_then(&method(:import_credits)).curry.(import_summary, find_title))
end
```

*And sometimes the most real things  
in the world are the things we can't see.*

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def import_credits(import_summary, find_title, credits)
  credits["cast"]
  .reduce(import_summary, &method(:create_or_update_title).curry.(find_title))
  .then{|final_summary|
    Success.new(final_summary)
  }
end
```

*And sometimes the most real things  
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Same thing in main import\_credits function. This is the core of what's going on here. We inject find\_title to create\_or\_update\_title. Reduce iterates over all the cast\_entries

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

```
def create_or_update_title(find_title, import_summary, cast_entry)
  title = find_title.(cast_entry["id"])
  if title
    title.update( popularity: cast_entry["popularity"], synced_at: DateTime.now)
    import_summary.updated()
  else
    title = Title.new(
      tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"],
      title: cast_entry["title"],
      character: cast_entry["character"],
      release_date: cast_entry["release_date"],
      media_type: cast_entry["media_type"],
      popularity: cast_entry["popularity"],
      synced_at: DateTime.now
    )
    if title.valid?
      title.save!
      import_summary.inserted()
    else
      import_summary.errored()
    end
  end
end
```

## Version 5: Imperative Shell/Functional Core

- Remove effectful code from functional core
- Imperative shell provide services as functions
- Dependency inject services into core
- We've only done *read* side effects so far
- Let's escape the framework...

*Houston, we have a problem.*

Still riddled with side effects, which makes it harder to test and reuse



## Version 6: Extract ALL the Side Effects

- Lets get rid of ALL the effects

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## Version 6: Extract ALL the Side Effects

```
class V06::CreditImporterShell
  def import()
    CreditImporterCore.new.(
      method(:fetch_credits),
      method(:find_title),
      method(:insert_title),
      method(:update_title),
      ImportSummary.new(0,0,0)
    )
  end

  private
  def fetch_credits()
    # ...
  end

  def find_title(tmdb_id)
    # ...
  end

  def insert_title(import_summary, **insert_attrs)
    # ...
  end

  def update_title(import_summary, title, **update_attrs)
    # ...
  end
end
```

## Version 6: Extract ALL the Side Effects

```
def create_or_update_title(find_title, insert_title, update_title, import_summary, cast_entry)
  title = find_title.(cast_entry["id"])
  if title
    update_title.(
      # ...
    )
  else
    insert_title.(
      # ...
    )
  end
end
```



## Version 6: Extract Side Effects

- Remove we've removed *logic* from functional core
- We have **NOT** actually removed the side effects
- They're still there, just abstracted
- Let's escape the framework...

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## Version 7: Return write side effect values

```
InsertTitle = Value.new(:insert_attrs)  
UpdateTitle = Value.new(:title, :update_attrs)
```

## Version 7: Return write side effect values

```
class V07::CreditImporterCore
  def import_credits(find_title, credits)
    credits["cast"]
      .reduce([]) { |actions, cast_entry|
        actions + [create_or_update_title(find_title, cast_entry)]
      }.then{|final_summary|
        Success.new(final_summary)
      }
    end
  end

  def create_or_update_title(find_title, cast_entry)
    title = find_title.(cast_entry["id"])
    if title
      UpdateTitle.new(
        # ...
      )
    else
      InsertTitle.new(
        # ...
      )
    end
  end
end
```

## Version 7: Return write side effect values

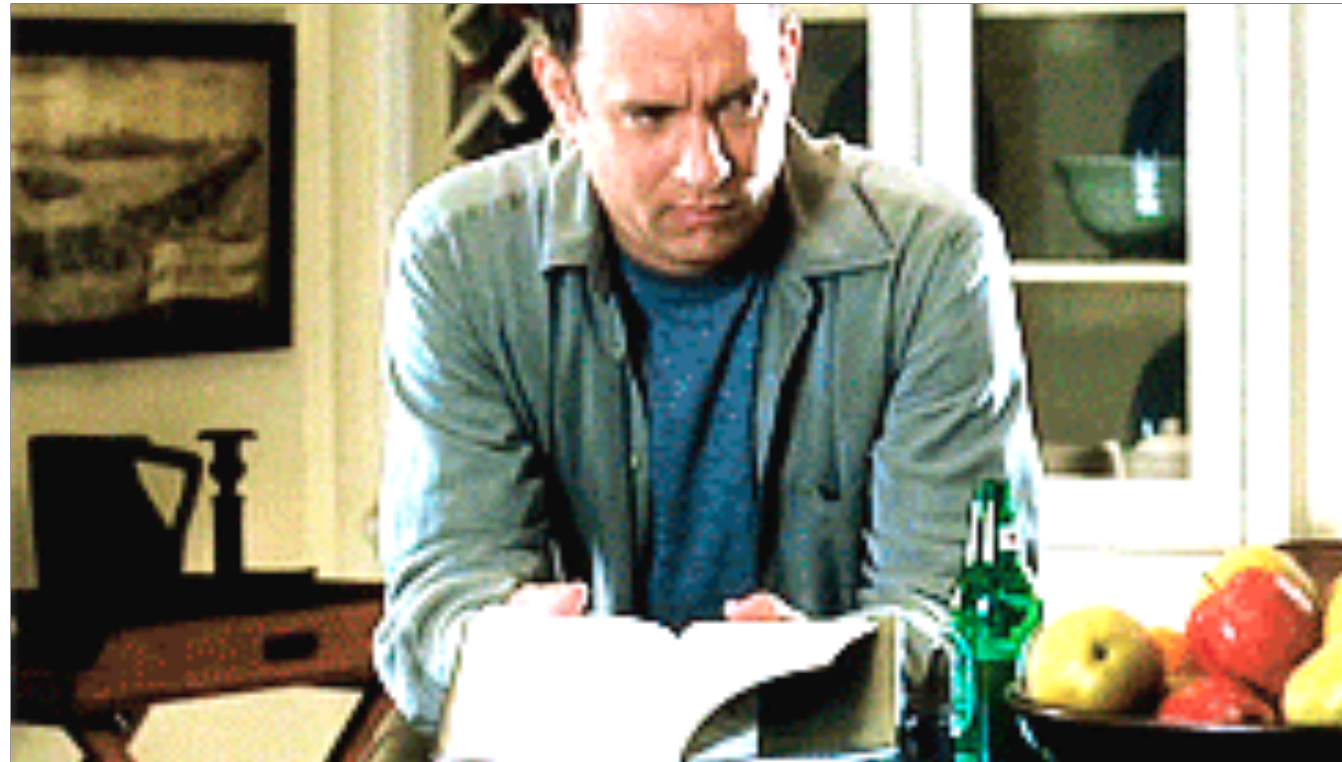
```
class V07::CreditImporterShell
  def import()
    CreditImporterCore.new(
      method(:fetch_credits),
      method(:find_title)
    ).and_then(&method(:apply))
  end

  private
  def apply(actions)
    actions.reduce(ImportSummary.new(0,0,0)){|summary, action|
      case action
      in InsertTitle[insert_attrs]
        insert_title(summary, insert_attrs)
      in UpdateTitle[title, update_attrs]
        update_title(summary, title, update_attrs)
      end
    }.then{|final_summary|
      Success.new(final_summary)
    }
  end
end
```

## Version 7: Return write side effect values

- Our functional core no longer changes the world
- Writes are values returned from a function
- Shell interprets values as effects, and executes them
- Still read side effects to deal with
- Let's escape the framework...

Still riddled with side effects, which makes it harder to test and reuse





## Version 8: Return write side effect values

- Returning functional side effects that *read* is trickier
- How do you “return” something that you had to execute already?
- Let’s put them in a value, with a **next** field containing a function to call when we *do* get the value
- Then return that value
- Let’s escape the framework...

Still riddled with side effects, which makes it harder to test and reuse



## Version 8: Return read side effect values too

```
FetchCredits = Value.new(:next)
FindTitle = Value.new(:tmdb_id, :next)
InsertTitle = Value.new(:insert_attrs, :next)
UpdateTitle = Value.new(:title, :update_attrs, :next)
Empty = Value.new(:next)
Return = Value.new(:result)

def pure
  -> (result) { Return.new(result) }
end
```

## Version 8: Return read side effect values too

```
module AndThen
  def and_then(&block)
    self.with(next: ->(value) do
      self.next.(value)
        .and_then(&block)
    end)
  end
end
```

## Version 8: Return read side effect values too

```
FetchCredits = Value.new(:next) do
  include AndThen
end

FindTitle = Value.new(:tmdb_id, :next) do
  include AndThen
end

InsertTitle = Value.new(:insert_attrs, :next) do
  include AndThen
end

UpdateTitle = Value.new(:title, :update_attrs, :next) do
  include AndThen
end

Empty = Value.new(:next) do
  include AndThen
end

Return = Value.new(:result) do
  def and_then(&block)
    block.call(self.result)
  end
end

def pure
  -> (result) { Return.new(result) }
end
```

## Version 8: Return read side effect values too

```
class V08::CreditImporterCore
  def call()
    FetchCredits.new(->(credits_json){
      parse_credits(credits_json)
    }.and_then(&method(:import_credits))
  }
end

def import_credits(credits)
  credits["cast"]
  .reduce(Empty.new(pure)) { |previous_action, cast_entry|
    previous_action.and_then { |value|
      create_or_update_title(cast_entry)
    }
  }
end

def create_or_update_title(cast_entry)
  FindTitle.new(cast_entry["id"], -> (title){
    if title
      UpdateTitle.new(title, {...}, pure)
    else
      InsertTitle.new({...}, pure)
    end
  })
end
end
```

## Version 8: Return read side effect values too

```
class V08::CreditImporterShell
  def import()
    CreditImporterCore.().then{|action|
      _result, summary = apply(action, ImportSummary.new(0,0,0))
      Success.new(summary)
    }
  end

  private
  def apply(action, summary)
    case action
    in FetchCredits[do_next]
      fetch_credits.and_then{|credits_json|
        apply(do_next.(credits_json), summary)
      }
    in FindTitle[tmdb_id, do_next]
      title = find_title(tmdb_id)
      apply(do_next.(title), summary)
    in InsertTitle[insert_attrs, do_next]
      new_summary = insert_title(summary, insert_attrs)
      apply(do_next.(:ok), new_summary)
    in UpdateTitle[title, update_attrs, do_next]
      new_summary = update_title(summary, title, update_attrs)
      apply(do_next.(:ok), new_summary)
    in Empty[do_next]
      apply(do_next.(:empty), summary)
    in Return[result]
      [result, summary]
    end
  end
end
```

What we've done here is implemented an interpreter.

Our core generates a program - basically an AST.

Our shell executes it, and takes care of talking to all the stateful things in the world



**Version 8: Return read side effect values too**

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## Version 8: Return read side effect values too

- Reads can be encapsulated with an optional value, and a next operation to return
- Read values can be chained
- In fact you *have* to chain them, as they need to be returned (side effects don't just “happen” anymore)
- API is still clunky
- Let's escape the framework...

Still riddled with side effects, which makes it harder to test and reuse





## Version 9: Nicer API

- Let's get a nicer API that is more rubyish
- Let's escape the framework...

## Version 9: Nicer API

```
def fetch_credits()
  FetchCredits.new(pure)
end

def find_title(tmdb_id)
  FindTitle.new(tmdb_id, pure)
end

def insert_title(**insert_attrs)
  InsertTitle.new(insert_attrs, pure)
end

def update_title(title, **update_attrs)
  UpdateTitle.new(title, update_attrs, pure)
end

def empty()
  Empty.new(pure)
end

def do_return(result)
  Return.new(result)
end
```

## Version 9: Nicer API

```
class V09::CreditsImporterCore
  def call()
    fetch_credits()
    .and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
    .and_then(&method(:import_credits))
  end

  def parse_credits(credits_json)
    # ...
  end

  def import_credits(credits)
    # ...
  end

  def create_or_update_title(cast_entry)
    find_title(cast_entry["id"]).and_then {|title|
      if title
        update_title(title, {...})
      else
        insert_title({...})
      end
    }
  end
end
```

## Version 9: Nicer API

```
class V09::CreditImporterShell
  def import()
    ImportCredits.new().then{|action|
      _result, summary = apply(action, ImportSummary.new(0,0,0))
      success(summary)
    }
  end

  private
  def apply(action, summary)
    case action
    in FetchCredits[do_next]
      fetch_credits.and_then{|credits_json|
        apply(do_next.(credits_json), summary)
      }
    in FindTitle[tmdb_id, do_next]
      title = find_title(tmdb_id)
      apply(do_next.(title), summary)
    in InsertTitle[insert_attrs, do_next]
      new_summary = insert_title(summary, insert_attrs)
      apply(do_next.(ok), new_summary)
    in UpdateTitle[title, update_attrs, do_next]
      new_summary = update_title(summary, title, update_attrs)
      apply(do_next.(ok), new_summary)
    in Empty[do_next]
      apply(do_next.(empty), summary)
    in Return[result]
      [result, summary]
    end
  end
end
```

# Version 1: Quick And Dirty

```
class V01::AdminController < ActionController::Base
  def index
  end

  def import_credits
    thanks_id = 31
    api_key = "YOUR_API_KEY_ABC123"
    url = "https://api.themoviedb.org/3/person/#{thanks_id}/combined_credits?api_key=#{api_key}&language=en-US"
    inserted_count = updated_count = error_count = 0
    JSON.parse(HTTP.get(url).to_s)["cast"].each do |cast_entry|
      title = Title.where(tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"]).first
      if title
        title.update( popularity: cast_entry["popularity"], synced_at: DateTime.now)
        updated_count += 1
      else
        title = Title.new(
          tmdb_id: cast_entry["id"],
          title: cast_entry["title"],
          character: cast_entry["character"],
          release_date: cast_entry["release_date"],
          media_type: cast_entry["media_type"],
          popularity: cast_entry["popularity"],
          synced_at: DateTime.now
        )
        if title.valid?
          title.save!
          inserted_count += 1
        else
          error_count += 1
        end
      end
    end
    flash[:notice] = "Imported #{inserted_count} new credits, updated #{updated_count}"
    flash[:error] = "#{error_count} titles had errors preventing saving" if error_count > 0
    redirect_to action: :index
  end
end
```

OK. This works.

But you need to escape your framework

## Version 9: Nicer API

```
class V09::CreditsImporterCore
  def call()
    fetch_credits()
    .and_then(&method(:parse_credits))
    .and_then(&method(:import_credits))
  end

  def parse_credits(credits_json)
    # ...
  end

  def import_credits(credits)
    # ...
  end

  def create_or_update_title(cast_entry)
    find_title(cast_entry["id"]).and_then {|title|
      if title
        update_title(title, {...})
      else
        insert_title({...})
      end
    }
  end
end
```

## BONUS SUPRISE! : Monads!

```
Success = Value.new(:result) do
  def and_then(&callback)
    callback.(self.result)
  end
end

Failure = Value.new(:message) do
  def and_then(&_callback)
    self
  end
end
```

## **BONUS SUPRISE! : Monads!**

- Chaining commands based on success/  
failure?

**Result (aka Either) Monad**



## **BONUS SUPRISE! : Monads!**

- Building a list of effectful values: *Free Monad*
- *Matt Parsons - I Command You to be Free! - λC 2017*  
[youtube.com/watch?v=Ej5FQtEgTBw](https://youtube.com/watch?v=Ej5FQtEgTBw)

# Thank You!

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And to find out when you can play it! follow me on twitter, or my site.

Thank you!

# Components can live where ever

```
@components = {
  position: {},
  velocity: {},
  acceleration: {},
  sad_feeling: {}
}

def put_component(type, entity_id, component)
  @components[type][entity_id] = component
end

asteroid_id = 123
put_component(:position, asteroid_id, Vector2.new(x: 1, y: 2))
put_component(:velocity, asteroid_id, Vector2.new(x: 11, y: 22))
put_component(:acceleration, asteroid_id, Vector2.new(x: 101, y: 202))
```

So let's look at how that would work in practice.

Apologies here, as I'm showing this in Ruby to set up a straw man to beat up. Same thing can be done in Elixir, but it's a little clearer explaining it this way.

So we have a map of all our component stores. One for each type. To create a game object, we just put a bunch of components in different stores for that entity id.

## Systems only care about what they care about

```
def do_movement_system()
  (@components[:position].keys() &
   @components[:velocity].keys() &
   @components[:acceleration].keys())
  .each do |entity_id|
    acc = @components[:acceleration][entity_id]
    vel = @components[:velocity][entity_id]
    pos = @components[:position][entity_id]

    new_vel = vel + acc
    @components[:velocity][entity_id] = new_vel

    new_pos = pos + new_vel
    @components[:position][entity_id] = new_pos
  end
end
```

Here we just find entity ids that have all the components we care about - position, velocity, acceleration. And then do simple newtonian physics to move them.

## Systems only care about what they care about

```
put_component(:sad_feeling, asteroid_id, "feeling sad")

def do_sadness_system()
  (@components[:sad_feeling].keys() &
   @components[:velocity].keys() &
   @components[:acceleration].keys())
  .each do |entity_id|
    if @components[:sad_feeling][entity_id] == "feeling sad"
      @components[:acceleration].delete(entity_id)
      @components[:velocity].delete(entity_id)
      @components[:sad_feeling][entity_id] = "feeling a bit better"
    end
  end
end
```

Then we can have a separate system handling our sad asteroid. If it's sad, it just stops.

So systems can read and write components.

# Systems can be parallelized

```
Thread.new do
  loop do
    do_movement_system()
    sleep(0.1)
  end
end

Thread.new do
  loop do
    do_sadness_system()
    sleep(0.1)
  end
end
```

And having data split up, means they can be parallelized.

I can't think of **ANYTHING** that could **POSSIBLY** go wrong with concurrent, shared mutable state...

```
def do_movement_system()  
  # ...  
  @components[:velocity][entity_id] = new_vel  
  # ...  
end  
  
def do_sadness_system()  
  # ...  
  @components[:velocity].delete(entity_id)  
  # 🤖  
end
```

They can be parallelized... 🤔

Now I can't think of ANYTHING that could POSSIBLY go wrong with concurrent shared mutable state.



Yeah, good luck debugging that when it comes up

**Don't feel too smug... yet**  
**You can screw things up this much in Elixir**  
**too with things like ets or databases**

You can still mess this up in Elixir too.

First cut of this I did exactly that by backing it with an ETS table. Which seemed like a good idea until I thought about it for a bit that there is no way to do concurrently transactions on an ets table and data gets splatted real quick