

Getting Functional Programming into Domain Driven Design - for real

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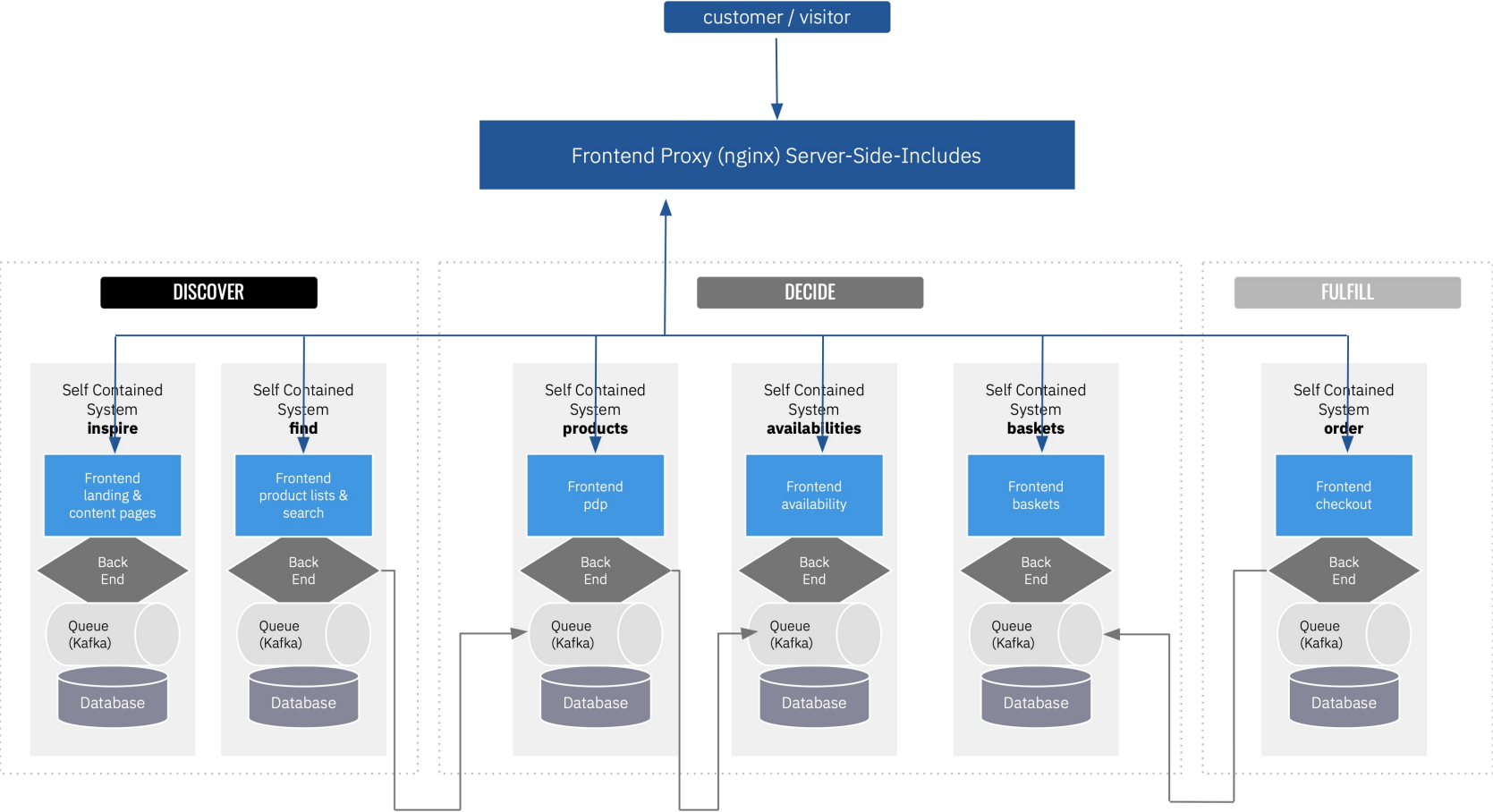
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Domain-Driven Design

- validation in outer layers
- business logic only in domain layer
- encode ubiquitous language in types

Functional Programming

- pervasive immutability / value objects
- pure functions
- everything is data
- higher-level abstractions
- combinator models

Functional Programming Languages

- generic function types
- functional/immutable data structures
- unrestricted abstraction

Functional Programming in Kotlin

- **generic function types!**
- ~~functional/immutable data structures~~
- ~~unrestricted abstraction~~
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- pure functions
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- (combinator models)

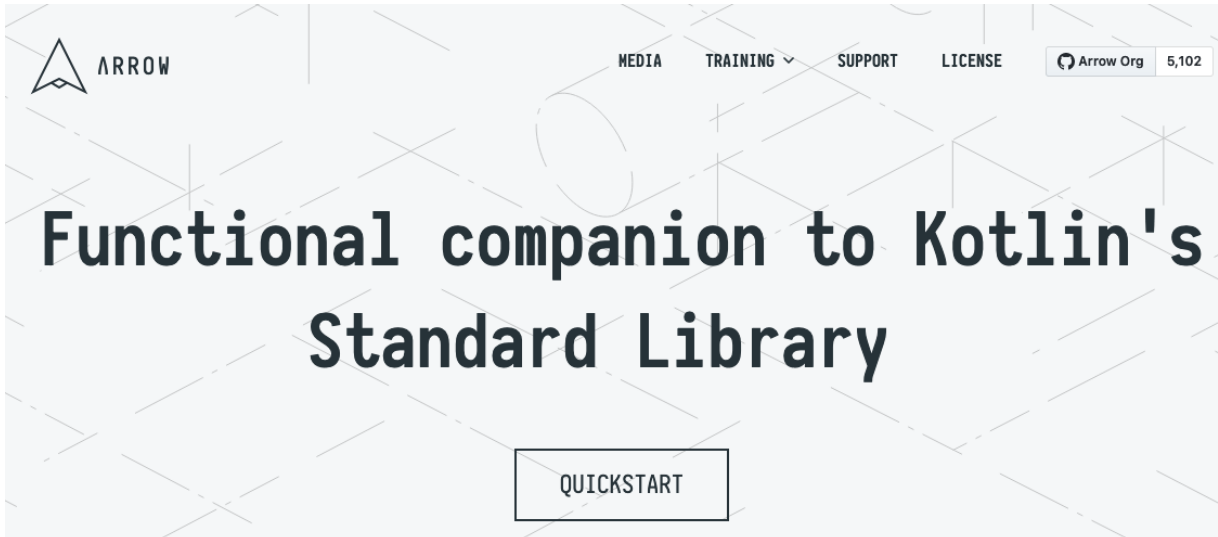
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Optional Values

```
sealed class Option<out A>
public object None : Option<Nothing>()
public data class Some<out T>(val value: T) : Option<T>()
```

```
fun safeDivide(x: Int, y: Int): Option<Int> =
    if (y == 0)
        None
    else
        Some(x/y)
```



Why Validation

Evans:

"A few days later, mysterious problems surfaced in the bill-payment application module [...] The mystery records had no value in the "percent deductible" field, although the validation of the data entry application required it and even put in a default value."

Validation vs. Null and Exceptions

```
public void check() {
    if (date == null) throw new IllegalArgumentException("date
    LocalDate parsedDate;
    try {
        parsedDate = LocalDate.parse(date);
    }
    catch (DateTimeParseException e) {
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Invalid format for da
    }
    if (parsedDate.isBefore(LocalDate.now())) throw new IllegalAr
    if (numberOfSeats == null) throw new IllegalArgumentException
    if (numberOfSeats < 1) throw new IllegalArgumentException("
}
```

Martin Fowler: Replacing Throwing Exceptions with Notification in Validations

Modern OO Validation

```
data class Position(  
    @field:Min(1, message = "ANZAHL_ZERO") var anzahl: Int,  
    @field:Valid var preis: Preis,  
    @field:Valid var produkt: Produkt  
)  
  
... validator.validate(position) ...
```


Problems

- same type for valid and invalid position
- control flow unclear
- effectively weird DSL
- hard to replace
- dependencies

Unvalidated Data at the Door



"Who is it?"
called out Granny.
"It is I, your delicious—
darling granddaughter,"
said the wolf
in a high voice.
"The door is unlocked,"
said Granny.

Image source: James Marshall - Red Riding Hood

“Make illegal states unrepresentable.”



Yaron Minsky

FP Validation

```
fun of(anzahl: Int, preis: Preis, product: Produkt)  
    : Validated<List<ValidationErrorDescription>, Position>
```

```
sealed class Validated<out E, out A>
```

```
data class Invalid<out E>(val value: E) : Validated<E, Nothing>
```

```
data class Valid<out A>(val value: A) : Validated<Nothing, A>
```

```
fun <A> A.valid(): Validated<Nothing, A> = Valid(this)
```

```
fun <E> E.invalid(): Validated<E, Nothing> = Invalid(this)
```

"Don't validate, parse"

```
fun of(anzahl: Int, preis: Preis, product: Produkt)  
  : Validated<List<ValidationErrorDescription>, Position>  
if (anzahl > 1)  
  Valid(Position(anzahl, preis, product))  
else  
  Invalid(listOf(MinViolation(preis, 1)))
```

Validation Summary

- objects always validated
- validity expressed in type system
- standard Kotlin
- convenient through functional abstractions (map)
- composability
- no annotation DSL

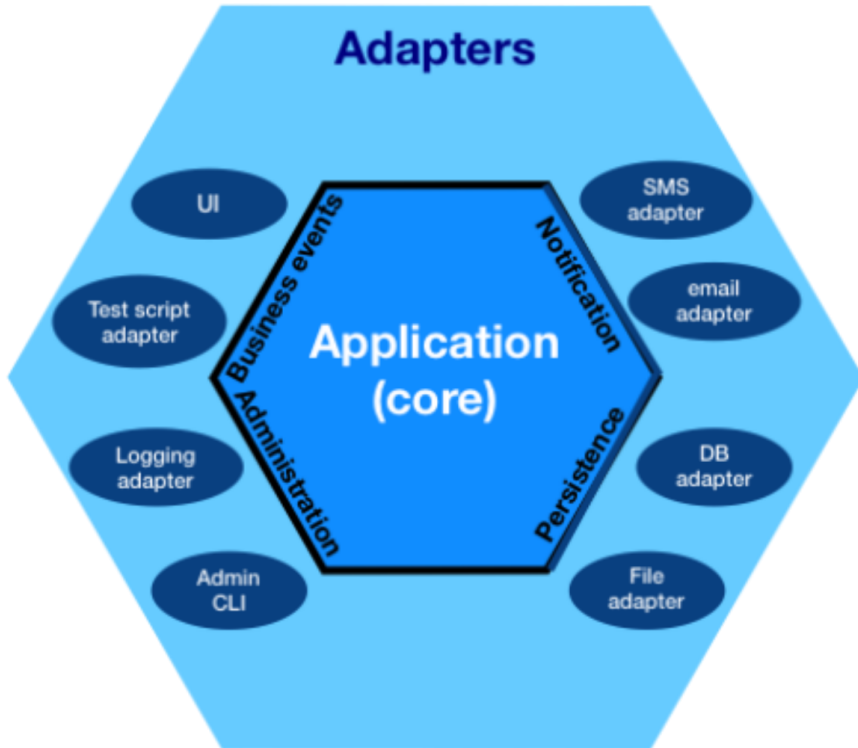
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Orchestrating Domain Functions into Workflows

```
val image1 = getProductImage(draft1)
val image2 = getProductImage(draft2)
val price1 = getProductPrice(draft1)
val price2 = getProductPrice(draft2)
publishProduct(Product.Published(draft1, image1, price1))
publishProduct(Product.Published(draft2, image2, price2))
...
```


Hexagonal Architecture



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Issues

- need domain language for workflows
- dependency injection
- cross-cutting concerns
- logging
- profiling
- concurrency
- ...

Profiling

```
fun updateWarenkorb(  
    httpWarenkorbVeraenderung: HttpWarenkorbVeraenderung,  
    sessionIdPayload: String,  
): Warenkorb {  
    val start = System.currentTimeMillis()  
  
    val produkt = produktRepository.holeProduktViaProduktNummer(Pr  
    ...  
    val getProduktEnd = System.currentTimeMillis()  
    logger.info { "get Produkt from DB took ${getProduktEnd - start  
  
    if (produkt == null) { ... }  
    ...  
    val warenkorbVeraenderungTransformationEnd = System.currentTime  
    logger.info { "transform into warenkorb-veränderung took ${ware  
    ...  
    val warenkorbVeraenderungValidationEnd = System.currentTime  
    logger.info { "warenkorb-veraenderung validation took ${warenk  
    ...  
    val getWarenkorbEnd = System.currentTimeMillis()  
    logger.info { "get Warenkorb from DB took ${getWarenkorbEnd - v
```

| } ...

DDD Workflows

- workflow description: value objects
- use types to express ubiquitous language
- need dependency injection

Representing Workflows as Value Objects

```
sealed interface PublishProductProcess<A> {  
  data class GetProductImage<A>  
    (val productDraft: Product.Draft,  
     val nextStep: (ProductImage) -> PublishProductProcess<A>  
     : PublishProductProcess<A>  
  
  data class GetProductPrice<A>  
    (val productDraft: Product.Draft,  
     val nextStep: (ProductPrice) -> PublishProductProcess<A>  
     : PublishProductProcess<A>  
  
  data class PublishProduct<A>  
    (val product: Product.Published,  
     val nextStep: (Unit) -> PublishProductProcess<A>)  
     : PublishProductProcess<A>  
  
  data class Yield<A>(val result: A) : PublishProductProcess<A>  
}
```

Monadic Notation

```
fun <A> publishProductProcess
    (block: suspend PublishProductProcess.Step.() -> A)
    : PublishProductProcess<A> = ...

publishProductProcess {
    val image1 = getProductImage(draft1)
    val image2 = getProductImage(draft2)
    val price1 = getProductPrice(draft1)
    val price2 = getProductPrice(draft2)
    publishProduct(Product.Published(draft1, image1, price1))
    publishProduct(Product.Published(draft2, image2, price2))
    ...
}
```

Kotlin suspend = Monad

```
suspend fun computation(arg: T) {  
    val res1 = computation1(arg, 1)  
    val res2 = computation2(arg, 2)  
    return res1 + res2  
}
```

=>

```
fun computation(arg: T, cont: Continuation<...>) {  
    computation1(arg, 1) { res ->  
        computation2(arg, 2) { res ->  
            cont.resume(res1 + res2)  
        }}  
}
```


Dependency Injection

```
override tailrec suspend fun <A>
run(publishProductProcess: PublishProductProcess<A>)
  : Either<PublishProductError, A> =
when (publishProductProcess) {
  is GetProductImage ->
    run(publishProductProcess.nextStep(...))
  is GetProductPrice ->
    run(publishProductProcess.nextStep(...))
  is PublishProduct ->
    if (saveProduct(publishProductProcess.product).isInvalid)
      PublishProductError.PublishFailed.left()
    else
      run(publishProductProcess.nextStep(Unit))
  is Yield -> publishProductProcess.result.right()
}
```

Monadic Workflows in Kotlin

- abstract over control flow
- abstract over cross-cutting concerns
- separate domain logic from adapter
- "functional dependency injection": interpreter
- works with DI frameworks

DDD + Functional Programming = ❤️

- validation
- domain workflows
- dependency injection
- immutability
- combinators

Great about Kotlin

- data classes => low-overhead immutability
- function types
- monadic syntax via suspend

Missing from Kotlin

- standard immutable collections
- unrestricted abstraction over types
- composable overloading as in Scala, Haskell

Conclusion

- functional programming principles complement DDD
- Kotlin + functional programming = ❤️
- immutability, purity, types, monads
- monads FTW
- functional languages + functional programming = ❤️❤️❤️

Outlook

- didactics of monads
- blog-posts / articles / talks
- more convenient monads for Kotlin
- combinator libraries
- make Spring Boot object-oriented

<https://gitlab.com/BeneStem/verticalization-example-service-one>