Effect handler oriented programming

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Effect handler oriented programming languages

Eff	https://www.eff-lang.org/
Effekt	https://effekt-lang.org/
Frank	https://github.com/frank-lang/frank
Helium	https://bitbucket.org/pl-uwr/helium
Links	https://www.links-lang.org/
Koka	https://github.com/koka-lang/koka
Multicore OCaml	https://github.com/ocamllabs/ocaml-multicore/wiki

Resources

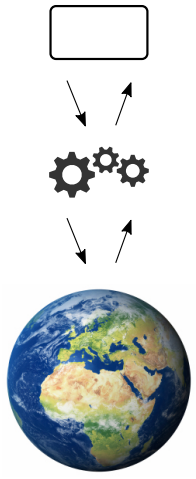
Jeremy Yallop's effects bibliography
https://github.com/yallop/effects-bibliography

Matija Pretnar's tutorial
"An introduction to algebraic effects and handlers", MFPS 2015

Andrej Bauer's tutorial
"What is algebraic about algebraic effects and handlers?", OPLSS 2018

Daniel Hillerström's PhD thesis
"Foundations for programming and implementing effect handlers", 2022

Effect handlers as composable user-defined operating systems



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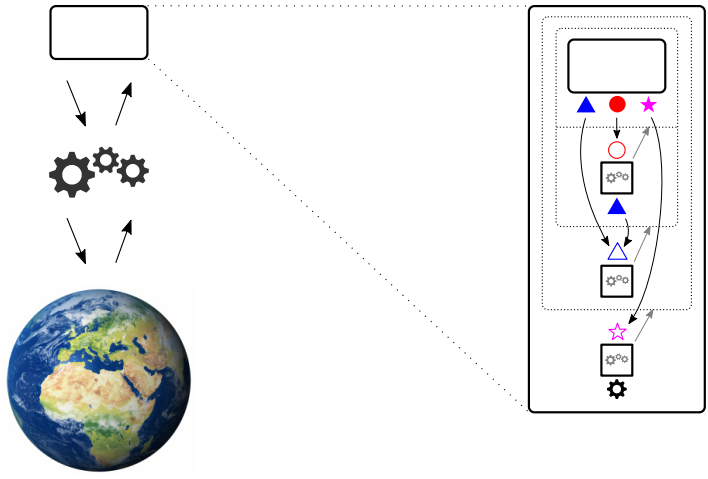

Effect handlers for operating systems

EIO — effects-based parallel IO for OCaml

Intended to form a new modular basis for MirageOS

`https://github.com/ocaml-multicore/eio`

Composing UNIX with effect handlers

Foundations for programming and implementing effect handlers, Chapter 2

Daniel Hillerström, PhD thesis, The University of Edinburgh, 2022

`https://www.dhil.net/research/papers/thesis.pdf`

Example 1: choice and failure

Drunk coin tossing

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&\qquad\qquad\quad \textbf{else} \\
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&\mathsf{drunkTosses} : \mathsf{Nat} \to \mathsf{List}\ \mathsf{Toss!}(E \uplus \{\mathsf{choose} : 1 \twoheadrightarrow \mathsf{Bool},\quad \mathsf{fail} : a.1 \twoheadrightarrow a\}) \\
&\mathsf{drunkTosses}\ n = \textbf{if}\ n = 0\ \textbf{then}\ [] \\
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$$\mathbf{handle}\ \mathsf{nats}\,0\ \mathbf{with}\ \mathsf{until}\,8 \Longrightarrow [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7]$$

Operational semantics (parameterised handlers)

Reduction rules

$$\begin{aligned}
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Exercise: express parameterised handlers as deep handlers

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Two cooperative lightweight threads

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$$\mathsf{tB}\,() = \mathsf{print}\,(\text{“B1 ”}); \mathsf{yield}\,(); \mathsf{print}\,(\text{“B2 ”})$$

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Types

$$\text{Thread}\ E = 1 \to 1!(E \uplus \{\text{yield} : 1 \twoheadrightarrow 1\}) \qquad \text{Res}\ E = \text{List}\ (\text{Res}\ E) \to 1 \to 1!E$$

Handler

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Example 4: cooperative concurrency (shallow handler)

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A single cooperative program

$\mathsf{main} : 1 \to \mathsf{CoU}\ E!1$

$\mathsf{main}\,() = \mathsf{print}\ \text{“M1 ”}\,;\, \textbf{if}\ \mathsf{ufork}\,()\ \textbf{then}\ \mathsf{print}\ \text{“A1 ”}\,;\, \mathsf{yield}\,();\, \mathsf{print}\ \text{“A2 ”}$
$\qquad\qquad \textbf{else}\ \mathsf{print}\ \text{“M2 ”}\,;\, \textbf{if}\ \mathsf{ufork}\,()\ \textbf{then}\ \mathsf{print}\ \text{“B1 ”}\,;\, \mathsf{yield}\,();\, \mathsf{print}\ \text{“B2 ”}\ \textbf{else}\ \mathsf{print}\ \text{“M3 ”}$

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Exercise: implement pipes using parameterised handlers

Built-in effects

Console I/O

$$\begin{aligned}\mathsf{Console} = \{&\mathsf{inch} &&: 1 &&\twoheadrightarrow \mathsf{char}\\ &\mathsf{ouch} &&: \mathsf{char} &&\twoheadrightarrow 1\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathsf{print}\, s = \mathsf{map}\,(\lambda c.\mathsf{ouch}\, c)\, s; ()$$

Generative state

$$\begin{aligned}\mathsf{GenState} = \{&\mathsf{new} &&: a. &&a \twoheadrightarrow \mathsf{Ref}\, a,\\ &\mathsf{write} &&: a. &&(\mathsf{Ref}\, a \times a) \twoheadrightarrow 1,\\ &\mathsf{read} &&: a. &&\mathsf{Ref}\, a \twoheadrightarrow a\}\end{aligned}$$

Example 7: actors

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$$\mathsf{spawnMany} : \mathsf{Pid\ String} \to \mathsf{Int} \to 1!(E \uplus \mathsf{Actor\ String})$$
$$\mathsf{spawnMany}\ p\ 0 = \mathsf{send}\ (\text{“ping!”}, p)$$
$$\mathsf{spawnMany}\ p\ n = \mathsf{spawnMany}\ (\mathsf{spawn}\ (\lambda().\mathbf{let}\ s = \mathsf{recv}\ ()\ \mathbf{in}\ \mathsf{print}\ \text{“.”}; \mathsf{send}\ (s, p)))\ (n-1)$$

$$\mathsf{chain} : \mathsf{Int} \to 1!(E \uplus \mathsf{Actor\ String} \uplus \mathsf{Console})$$
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Example 7: actors — via cooperative concurrency

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act : Pid a → 1!(E ⊎ Actor a) ⇒ 1!Co (E ⊎ GenState)
act mine =
  return ()                    ↦ ()
  ⟨self () → r⟩                ↦ r mine mine
  ⟨spawn you → r⟩              ↦ let yours = new [] in
                                 fork (λ().act yours (you ())); r mine yours
  ⟨send (m, yours) → r⟩        ↦ let ms = read yours in
                                 write (yours, ms ++ [m]); r mine ()
  ⟨recv () → r⟩                ↦ letrec recvWhenReady () =
                                     case read mine of
                                       []        ↦ yield (); recvWhenReady ()
                                       (m :: ms) ↦ write (mine, ms); r mine m
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Exercise: Compare three different implementations of actors:

- the one we've just seen (factored through a parameterised handler for cooperative concurrency)
- the same thing, but using shallow handlers
- a single monolithic handler using parameterised handlers

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Deep vs shallow

$$\text{Choice } E = E \uplus \{\text{choose} : 1 \twoheadrightarrow \text{Bool}\}$$

Always choose true

Deep

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$$\text{Reader } S\ E = E \uplus \{\text{get} : 1 \twoheadrightarrow S\}$$

Read-only state

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- can be more concise
- simpler to implement efficiently and without memory leaks

Shallow

- convenient for parameterisation
- convenient for implementing structural recursion schemes other than catamorphisms (e.g. **pipes**)

Deep as shallow

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{S}[\![\textbf{handle } M \textbf{ with } H]\!] &= \textbf{letrec } h\ f = \textbf{handle}^{\dagger}\ f\ () \textbf{ with } \mathcal{S}[\![H]\!]h \textbf{ in} \\
&\quad\ h\ (\lambda().\mathcal{S}[\![M]\!]) \\
\mathcal{S}[\![H]\!]h &= \mathcal{S}[\![H^{\mathrm{ret}}]\!]h \uplus \mathcal{S}[\![H^{\mathrm{ops}}]\!]h \\
\mathcal{S}[\![\{\textbf{return } x \mapsto N\}]\!]h &= \{\textbf{return } x \mapsto \mathcal{S}[\![N]\!]\} \\
\mathcal{S}[\![\{\mathsf{op}_i\ p\ r \mapsto N_i\}_i]\!]h &= \{\mathsf{op}_i\ p\ r \mapsto \textbf{let } r = \textbf{return } \lambda x.h\,(\lambda().r\,x) \textbf{ in } \mathcal{S}[\![N_i]\!]\}_i
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise: prove an operational correspondence result for $\mathcal{S}[\![-]\!]$

Shallow as deep

$$\mathcal{D}[\![C \Rightarrow D]\!] = \mathcal{D}[\![C]\!] \Rightarrow (1 \to \mathcal{D}[\![C]\!], 1 \to \mathcal{D}[\![D]\!])$$

Shallow as deep

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\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{D}[\![C \Rightarrow D]\!] &= \mathcal{D}[\![C]\!] \Rightarrow (1 \to \mathcal{D}[\![C]\!], 1 \to \mathcal{D}[\![D]\!]) \\
\mathcal{D}[\![\textbf{handle}^{\dagger}\ M\ \textbf{with}\ H]\!] &= \textbf{let}\ z = \textbf{handle}\ \mathcal{D}[\![M]\!]\ \textbf{with}\ \mathcal{D}[\![H]\!]\ \textbf{in} \\
&\quad\ \textbf{let}\ (f, g) = z\ \textbf{in}\ g\,() \\
\mathcal{D}[\![H]\!] &= \mathcal{D}[\![H^{\mathrm{ret}}]\!] \uplus \mathcal{D}[\![H^{\mathrm{ops}}]\!] \\
\mathcal{D}[\![\{\textbf{return}\ x \mapsto N\}]\!] &= \{\textbf{return}\ x \mapsto \textbf{return}\ (\lambda().\textbf{return}\ x, \lambda().\mathcal{D}[\![N]\!])\} \\
\mathcal{D}[\![\{\mathrm{op}_i\ p\ r \mapsto N\}_i]\!] &= \{\mathrm{op}_i\ p\ r \mapsto \\
&\qquad \textbf{let}\ r = \lambda x.\textbf{let}\ z = r\,x\ \textbf{in let}\ (f, g) = z\ \textbf{in}\ f\,()\ \textbf{in} \\
&\qquad \textbf{return}\ (\lambda().\textbf{let}\ x = \mathrm{op}_i\ p\ \textbf{in}\ r\,x, \lambda().\mathcal{D}[\![N]\!])\}_i
\end{aligned}
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Exercise: prove an operational correspondence result for $\mathcal{D}[\![-]\!]$
(the result is weaker and requires more sophisticated techniques than for $\mathcal{S}[\![-]\!]$)

Sheep effect handlers — a hybrid of shallow and deep handlers

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A \vdash N : D \qquad [\mathsf{op}_i : A_i \twoheadrightarrow B_i \in E]_i \qquad [\Gamma, p : A_i, r : (A!E \Rightarrow D) \to B_i \to D \vdash N_i : D]_i}{\Gamma \vdash \begin{array}{l}\mathbf{return}\ x \mapsto N \\ (\mathsf{op}_i\ p\ r \mapsto N_i)_i\end{array} : A!E \Rightarrow D}$$

$$\mathbf{handle}\ \mathcal{E}[\mathsf{op}\ V]\ \mathbf{with}\ H \rightsquigarrow N_{\mathsf{op}}[V/p,\ (\lambda h\, x.\mathbf{handle}\ \mathcal{E}[x]\ \mathbf{with}\ h)/r], \quad \mathsf{op} \# \mathcal{E}$$

Like a shallow handler, the body of the resumption need not reinvoke the same handler

Like a deep handler, the body of the resumption must invoke *some* handler

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$$\text{reads} : \text{List Nat} \to A!(E \uplus \text{Reader}) \Rightarrow A!E$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{reads}\,([]) = \mathbf{return}\,x &\mapsto x \\ \langle \text{get}\,() \to r \rangle &\mapsto \text{fail}\,() \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \text{reads}\,(n :: ns) = \mathbf{return}\,x &\mapsto x \\ \langle \text{get}\,() \to r \rangle &\mapsto r\ ns\ n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maybeFail} : A!(E \uplus \text{Failure}) \Rightarrow \text{Maybe}\ A!E \\ &\text{maybeFail} = \mathbf{return}\,x \mapsto \text{Just}\,x \\ &\qquad\qquad \langle \text{fail}\,() \to r \rangle \mapsto \text{Nothing} \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise: Design a mechanism to allow the Failure effect to be encapsulated.

(The aim is to define

$$\text{good} : \text{List } A \to (1 \to \text{Nat}!(E \uplus \text{Reader})) \to \text{Maybe } A!E$$

by composing reads and maybeFail such that

$$\text{good}\,[1,2]\,(\lambda().\text{get}\,() + \text{fail}\,()) : \text{Maybe Nat!Failure}$$

performs the fail operation.)