



Ocaml piscine - D04

OCaml's modules language

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Summary: This document is the subject for day 04 of 42's Ocaml piscine.

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Chapter I

Ocaml piscine, general rules


- Every output goes to the standard output, and will be ended by a newline, unless specified otherwise.
- The imposed filenames must be followed to the letter, as well as class names, function names and method names, etc.
- Unless otherwise explicitly stated, the keywords `open`, `for` and `while` are forbidden. Their use will be flagged as cheating, no questions asked.
- Turn-in directories are `ex00/`, `ex01/`, ..., `exn/`.
- You must read the examples thoroughly. They can contain requirements that are not obvious in the exercise's description.
- Since you are allowed to use the OCaml syntaxes you learned about since the beginning of the piscine, you are not allowed to use any additional syntaxes, modules and libraries unless explicitly stated otherwise.
- The exercises must be done in order. The graduation will stop at the first failed exercise. Yes, the old school way.
- Read each exercise FULLY before starting it! Really, do it.
- The compiler to use is `ocamlopt`. When you are required to turn in a function, you must also include anything necessary to compile a full executable. That executable should display some tests that prove that you've done the exercise correctly.
- Remember that the special token `";;"` is only used to end an expression in the interpreter. Thus, it must never appear in any file you turn in. Regardless, the interpreter is a powerful ally, learn to use it at its best as soon as possible!
- The subject can be modified up to 4 hours before the final turn-in time.
- In case you're wondering, no coding style is enforced during the OCaml piscine. You can use any style you like, no restrictions. But remember that a code your peer-evaluator can't read is a code he or she can't grade. As usual, big functions are a weak style.
- You will NOT be graded by a program, unless explicitly stated in the subject. Therefore, you are given a certain amount of freedom in how you choose to do the

exercises. However, some piscine day might explicitly cancel this rule, and you will have to respect directions and outputs perfectly.

- Only the requested files must be turned in and thus present on the repository during the peer-evaluation.
- Even if the subject of an exercise is short, it's worth spending some time on it to be absolutely sure you understand what's expected of you, and that you did it in the best possible way.
- By Odin, by Thor! Use your brain!!!

Chapter II

Exercise 00: Cards colors

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Turn-in directory : <i>ex00/</i>	
Files to turn in : Color.ml and main.ml	
Allowed functions : Nothing	

Regular play cards fit nicely as a programming topic when dealing with modules and nested modules. Colors, values, cards and decks, all tied together in a smart design.

As a start, we need to represent cards colors, namely **spade**, **heart**, **diamond** and **club**, as an OCaml type and instrument that type with relevant values and functions.


Write the file **Color.ml** that respects the following interface:

```
type t = Spade | Heart | Diamond | Club
val all : t list                (** The list of all values of type t *)
val toString : t -> string      (** "S", "H", "D" or "C" *)
val toStringVerbose : t -> string (** "Spade", "Heart", etc *)
```

Provide some tests in the file **main.ml** to prove that your **Color** module works as intended.

Chapter III

Exercise 01: Cards values

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Turn-in directory : <i>ex01/</i>	
Files to turn in : <i>Value.ml</i> and <i>main.ml</i>	
Allowed functions : <i>invalid_arg</i>	

We have colors, now we need values for our cards. Cards values form a total ordered set, we need a type to represent them, and values and functions to instrument that type. The card values of a regular 52 cards deck are 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, jack, queen, king and as.

Write the file *Value.ml* that respects the following interface:

```
type t = T2 | T3 | T4 | T5 | T6 | T7 | T8 | T9 | T10 | Jack | Queen | King | As

(** The list of all values of type t *)
val all : t list

(** Integer representation of a card value, from 1 for T2 to 13 for As *)
val toInt : t -> int


(** returns "2", ..., "10", "J", "Q", "K" or "A" *)
val toString : t -> string
(** returns "2", ..., "10", "Jack", "Queen", "King" or "As" *)
val toStringVerbose : t -> string

(** Returns the next value, or calls invalid_arg if argument is As *)
val next : t -> t
(** Returns the previous value, or calls invalid_arg if argument is T2 *)
val previous : t -> t
```

Provide some tests in the file *main.ml* to prove that your *Value* module works as intended.

Chapter IV

Exercise 02: Cards

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Turn-in directory : <i>ex02/</i>	
Files to turn in : Card.ml and main.ml	
Allowed functions : invalid_arg , Printf.sprintf and the List module	

We have colors and values, now we can have cards ! Write the file **Card.ml** that respects the interface below. Several things to note regarding this interface:

- The **Card** module embeds the **Color** and **Value** modules. Just copy your previous code in the corresponding structures.
- The type **Card.t** is abstract. That means you're free to implement it as you want. Choose wisely, some solutions are better than others. And others are cute.
- All values' and functions' types and identifiers are self explanatory. Just read and use your brain, no tricks here.
- The function **toString** : **t** -> **string** returns strings like: "2S", "10H", "KD", ...
- The function **toStringVerbose** : **t** -> **string** returns strings like: "Card(7, Diamond)", "Card(Jack, Club)", "Card(As, Spade)", ...
- The function **compare** : **t** -> **t** -> **int** behaves like the Pervasives **compare** function.
- The functions **max** and **min** return the first parameter if the two cards are equal.
- The function **best** : **t list** -> **t** calls **invalid_arg** if the list is empty. If two or more cards are equal in value, return the first one. True coders use **List.fold_left** to do this function.

Provide some tests in the file **main.ml** to prove that your **Card**, **Card.Color** and **Card.Value** modules work as intended.

```
module Color :
sig
  type t = Spade | Heart | Diamond | Club

  val all : t list

  val toString      : t -> string
  val toStringVerbose : t -> string
end

module Value :
sig
  type t = T2 | T3 | T4 | T5 | T6 | T7 | T8 | T9 | T10 | Jack | Queen | King | As

  val all : t list

  val toInt      : t -> int
  val toString   : t -> string
  val toStringVerbose : t -> string

  val next      : t -> t
  val previous  : t -> t
end

type t

val newCard : Value.t -> Color.t -> t

val allSpades   : t list
val allHearts   : t list
val allDiamonds : t list
val allClubs    : t list
val all         : t list

val getValue : t -> Value.t
val getColor : t -> Color.t


val toString      : t -> string
val toStringVerbose : t -> string

val compare : t -> t -> int
val max     : t -> t -> t
val min     : t -> t -> t
val best    : t list -> t

val isOf      : t -> Color.t -> bool
val isSpade   : t -> bool
val isHeart   : t -> bool
val isDiamond : t -> bool
val isClub    : t -> bool
```


Chapter V

Exercise 03: Deck

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Turn-in directory : <i>ex03/</i>	
Files to turn in : <i>Deck.mli</i> , <i>Deck.ml</i> and <i>main.ml</i>	
Allowed functions : Allowed functions and modules from the previous exercices, plus <code>raise</code> and the <code>Random</code> module	

We have cards, it's time to organize them in a deck represented by the `Deck` module. First write the interface for that module in the file `Deck.mli` according to the following statements:

- The `Deck` module embeds the `Card` module from the previous exercise.
- The `Deck` module exposes an **abstract** type `t` that represents a deck. Its definition is up to you.
- The `Deck` module exposes a function `newDeck` that takes no argument and returns a deck of the 52 cards (i.e. the type `t`) in **random** order. This means that upon two different calls to the function `newDeck`, the order of the deck will be different.
- The `Deck` module exposes a function `toStringList` that takes a deck as a parameter and returns a list of the string representations of each card.
- The `Deck` module exposes a function `toStringListVerbose` that takes a deck as a parameter and returns a list of the verbose string representations of each card.
- The `Deck` module exposes a function `drawCard` that takes a deck as a parameter and returns a couple composed of the first card of the deck and the rest of the deck. If the deck is empty, raise the exception `Failure` with a relevant error message.

Now implement the `Deck` module in the file `Deck.ml` according to its interface.

Provide some tests in the file `main.ml` to prove that your `Deck`, `Deck.Card`, `Deck.Card.Color` and `Deck.Card.Value` modules work as intended.