

# PureScript Init

What I've learned from getting started.

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1 module Main where
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3 import Prelude
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5 import Effect (Effect)
6 import Effect.Aff (launchAff, bracket)
7 import Effect.Class (liftEffect)
8 import Effect.Console (log)
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10 import Network.HTTP.Affjax as AX
11 import Network.HTTP.Affjax.Response as AXRes
12
13 import Data.Traversable (sequence)
14 import Data.Foldable (intercalate)
15 import Foreign.Object (lookup)
16 import Data.Argonaut.Core as J
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18 main = do
19     req <- AX.get AXRes.json "http://localhost:8000/dev_data/customers.json"
20
21     customer <- J.toObject req.response
22     name <- lookup "name" customer
23     address <- lookup "address" customer
24
25     allInfo <- sequence $ map J.toString [name, address]
26     let combinedInfo = intercalate "\n" allInfo :: String
27
28     log (combinedInfo :: String) :: Effect Unit
```

# Getting Started Always Sucks

The things that should be simple but aren't:

- Do I even want to use this?
- How do I install this and which version?
- Why so many package managers?

# Do I even want to use this?

Purescript is:

- Functional language
- Statically typed
- Eager
- Similar to Haskell
- Compiles to JavaScript
- Frontend and Backend compatible
- Use existing JS
- Used by JS

# How do I install this and which version?

- 0.11.7 or 0.12.0
- 0.12.0 recently released (compatibility issues)
- `npm install -g purescript pulp`

# Why so many package managers?

- bower or psc-package
  - 0.12.0: `npm install -g psc-package-bin-simple`
  - 0.11.7 `npm install -g bower`
- psc-package is repository based

So try it out!