

# Getting a Quick Fix on Comonads

A quest to extract computation and not duplicate work

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## “Evaluating Cellular Automata is Comonadic”

*I want to work on ‘universes’ that extend to infinity in both directions. And I want this universe to be constructed lazily on demand.*

*We can think of a universe with the cursor pointing at a particular element as being an element with a neighbourhood on each side.*

# An unexpected journey

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- ▶ loeb: each element refers to *absolute positions* in a structure
- ▶ comonads: computations in context of *relative position* in a structure

These are almost the same thing!



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class Functor w => Comonad w where
  extract  :: w a -> a      -- a.k.a. coreturn
  duplicate :: w a -> w (w a) -- a.k.a. cojoin
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(from Edward Kmett's `Control.Comonad`)

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iterate :: (a -> a) -> (a -> a) -> a -> Tape a
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```
iterate prev next x =
```

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    Tape (Stream.iterate prev x) x (Stream.iterate next x)
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Duplicate is “diagonalization.” Movement and duplication commute:

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I'll use this one from now on.

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(This syntax gets more elegant later.)

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256 increment operations per second.

(And this gets worse—it's not linear...)

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No single reference to the eventual future of the computation.

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**Epiphany:** Any efficient “evaluation” function looks like:

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(Error messages have been cleaned for your viewing enjoyment.)

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arising from a use of '<@>'

Possible fix:

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$$\frac{\Gamma, x:\tau \vdash e:\tau'}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x.e:\tau \rightarrow \tau'}$$

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Still very slightly slower than `take 10000 [1..]`, almost certainly because GHC fuses away the intermediate list.

**Aside:** list fusion in `evaluate`: reducible to halting problem?

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**Enlightening exercise:** for an arbitrary Functor `f`, show how `czip` and (<@>) can be defined in terms of each other and `fmap`.

## Zippy comonads $\rightarrow$ zippy computation

The “zippiness” required by the laws of `ComonadApply` leads to evaluate’s *computational* “zippiness.”



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Short answer: no.

Long answer: not in ways we would care about.

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Nesting Tapes inside one another leads us into to higher-dimensional (discrete) spaces to explore.

Tape  $a \cong \text{Integer} \rightarrow a$

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Etcetera, ad infinitum!

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...
```

```
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instance Comonad Tape2 where ...
instance ComonadApply Tape2 where ...
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(N.B. In this section, I've specialized many type signatures.)

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Equivalent: what can you do with

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Two candidates (thanks Hoogle!):

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:: (Traversable t, Applicative f) => t (f a) -> f (t a)
```

```
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:: (Distributive g, Functor f)    => f (g a) -> g (f a)
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Jaskelioff & Rypacek, MSFP 2012, “An Investigation of the Laws of Traversals”: “We are not aware of any functor that is traversable and is not a finitary container.”

- ▶ Infinite streams are definitely not Traversable.

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“Touch, don’t look.”



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Strategy/intuition for distribute:

- ▶ Start with `f (g a)`
- ▶ Create a `g` with `f (g a)` in each 'hole': `g (f (g a))`
- ▶ For each `f (g a)` on the inside of `g`:
  - ▶ navigate to a particular focus (using `fmap`)
  - ▶ `fmap extract` to eliminate the inner `g`
- ▶ Result: `g (f a)`

# Mystery solved

```
instance (Comonad f, Comonad g, Distributive g)
  => Comonad (Compose f g) where
extract    = extract . extract . getCompose
duplicate = Compose . fmap Compose -- wrap again
          . distribute              -- swap middle two layers
          . duplicate               -- duplicate outside
          . fmap duplicate          -- duplicate inside
          . getCompose              -- unwrap
```

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```
unfold prev center next x =  
    Tape (S.unfold prev x) (center x) (S.unfold next x)  
  
instance Distributive Tape where  
    distribute =  
        unfold (fmap (focus . moveL) &&& fmap moveL)  
              (fmap focus)  
              (fmap (focus . moveR) &&& fmap moveR)
```

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I could make a library out of this!

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Baby, there's a shark in the water

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instance (ComposeCount f ~ Zero) => CountCompose f where
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      Just [1]    :: Maybe [Int]  
      Flat (Just [1]) :: Nested (Flat Maybe) [Int]  
Nest (Flat (Just [1])) :: Nested (Nest (Flat Maybe) []) Int
```



## Nest it / fmap it / quick rewrap it

Two cases for each instance (base case/recursive case):

```
instance (Functor f) => Functor (Nested (Flat f)) where  
  fmap f (Flat x) = Flat $ fmap f x
```

```
instance (Functor f, Functor (Nested fs))  
  => Functor (Nested (Nest fs f)) where  
  fmap f (Nest x) = Nest $ fmap (fmap f) x
```

Other typeclass instances are likewise defined in two parts.

# Nest it / fmap it / quick rewrap it

- ▶ Match on types, not constraints
- ▶ Base case is Flat, not every type, so no “universal instance”
- ▶ See ya later, OverlappingInstances!

# Drag and drop it / zip - unzip it

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```
{-# LANGUAGE DataKinds #-}  
  
data RefType = Relative | Absolute  
  
data Ref (t :: RefType) where  
  Rel :: Int -> Ref Relative  
  Abs :: Int -> Ref Absolute
```

# Drag and drop it / zip - unzip it

```
type family Combine a b where
  Combine Relative Absolute = Absolute
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class CombineRefs a b where
  combine :: Ref a -> Ref b -> Ref (Combine a b)
```

## He's making a list and checking it statically

```
data x :-: y
data Nil

data ConicList f ts where
    (:-:) :: f x -> ConicList f xs -> ConicList f (x :-: xs)
    ConicNil :: ConicList f Nil

type RefList = ConicList Ref
```

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```
type family a & b where
  (a :-: as) & (b :-: bs) = Combine a b :-: (as & bs)
  Nil          & bs      = bs
  as           & Nil      = as

class CombineRefLists as bs where
  (&) :: RefList as -> RefList bs -> RefList (as & bs)
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c = columnAt 5 & columnAt 10
```

# Take it / view it / go - insert it

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class Take r t where
  type ListFrom t a
  take :: RefList r -> t a -> ListFrom t a
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```
class View r t where
  type StreamFrom t a
  view :: RefList r -> t a -> StreamFrom t a
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...and insert — I have discovered a truly marvelous type signature for this, which this margin is too narrow to contain.

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- ▶ (Co)monads are (co)ol!

# With great power comes code snippets for a tech talk

```
fibonacci :: Sheet1 Integer
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> slice (leftBy 2) (rightBy 17) fibonacci
[1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21,34,55,89,144,233,377,610,987,1597,2584]
```



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```
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```
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 [1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, 28, 36, 45, 55],
 [1, 4, 10, 20, 35, 56, 84, 120, 165, 220],
 [1, 5, 15, 35, 70, 126, 210, 330, 495, 715],
 [1, 6, 21, 56, 126, 252, 462, 792, 1287, 2002],
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```

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```
data Cell = X | O deriving (Eq)

life :: ([Int],[Int]) -> [[Cell]] -> Sheet3 Cell
life ruleset seed =
  evaluate $ insert [map (map const) seed] blank where
    blank = sheet (const X) (repeat . tapeOf . tapeOf $ rule)
    rule place =
      case (neighbors place 'elem') 'onBoth' ruleset of
        (True,_) -> O
        (_,True) -> cell inward place
        _         -> X
    neighbors = length . filter (O ==) . cells bordering
    bordering = map (inward &) (diag ++ vert ++ horz)
    diag = (&) <$> horizontals <*> verticals
    vert = [above, below]
    horz = map d2 [right, left]

conway :: [[Cell]] -> Sheet3 Cell
conway = life ([3],[2,3])
```

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```
glider :: Sheet3 Cell
glider = conway [[X,X,0],
                 [0,X,0],
                 [X,0,0]]
```

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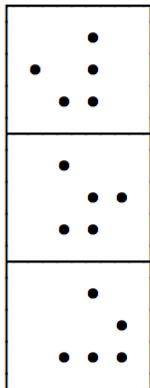
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## One more thing...

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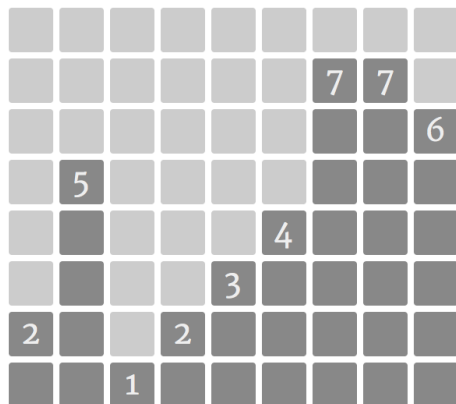


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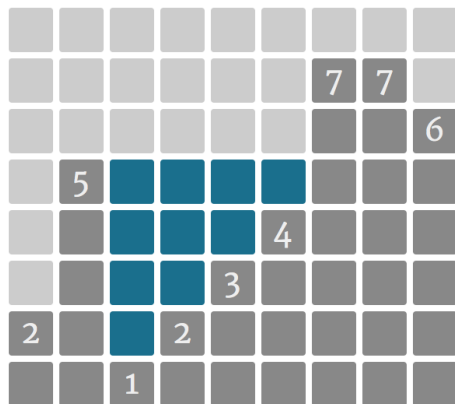
evaluateF :: (ComonadApply w, Functor f)
           => w (f (w (f a) -> a)) -> w (f a)
evaluateF fs =
  fix $ (<@> fs) . fmap (fmap . flip ($)) . duplicate
```

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# One more thing...

Chris Done says:

*I think if I'd've heard of [the comonadic fixed-point solution] before, this solution would've come to mind instead, it seems entirely natural!*

*Sadly, this is the slowest algorithm on the page. I'm not sure how to optimize it to be better.*

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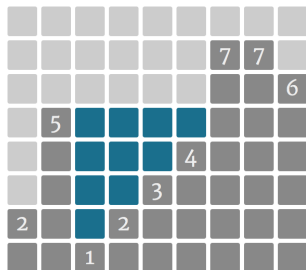
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waterflow :: [Integer] -> Integer
waterflow heights =
    sum . zipWith subtract heights . map (foldr1 min)
      . S.toList . view right
      . evaluateF
      . sheet ground . map maxima $ heights

maxima :: Integer -> Pair (Sheet1 (Pair Integer) -> Integer)
maxima here =
    Pair (max here . car . cell left)
          (max here . cdr . cell right)

ground :: Pair (Sheet1 (Pair Integer) -> Integer)
ground = Pair (const 0) (const 0)

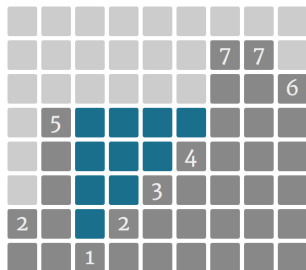
data Pair a = Pair { car :: a , cdr :: a }
instance Functor      Pair ...
instance Applicative Pair ...
instance Foldable     Pair ...
```

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```
> waterflow [2,5,1,2,3,4,7,7,6]  
10
```

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```

```
main =  
  print =<< waterflow . take 10000 . map abs <$> getRandoms
```

```
> time ./Waterflow  
46023422461957264691440
```

0.12 real

0.11 user

0.01 sys

```
cabal install ComonadSheet
```

[github.com/kwf/ComonadSheet](https://github.com/kwf/ComonadSheet)

Suggestions, bug reports, pull requests welcome!