Haskell





Functional programming

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Algebraic data types

- We've run into a lot of data types: Bool, Int, Char...
- · How do we make our own?
- One way is to use the data keyword to define a type
 - Type name and value constructors: capital cased
 - *Algebra* of *sums* (alternations) and *products* (combinations)

```
data TrafficLight = Red | Yellow | Green

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data Shape = Circle Float Float Float
| Rectangle Float Float Float Float
```

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Value constructors

- · Value constructors are f.s.
 - They return a value of a data type
 - Fields are actually params

Prelude> :t Circle HASKELL

Circle :: Float -> Float -> Shape

Prelude> :t Rectangle

Rectangle :: Float -> Float -> Float -> Shape

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Functions on datatypes

- F. that takes a shape and returns its surface
 - Circle is not a type, Shape is
 - We can pattern match against constructors

Prelude> surface \$ Circle 10 20 10 314.15927
Prelude> surface \$ Rectangle 0 0 100 100 10000.0

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Show typeclass

- Error if we try to just print out Circle 10 20 5
 - Haskell doesn't know how to display our data type as a string (yet)
 - Make our **Shape** type part of the **Show** typeclass

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Prelude> Circle 10 20 5
Circle 10.0 20.0 5.0
Prelude> Rectangle 50 230 60 90
Rectangle 50.0 230.0 60.0 90.0

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Point datatype

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- Same name for the data type and the value constructor
 - Idiomatic if there's only one value constructor

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Nudging a shape

- F. that takes shape, dx, dy...
- · Returns a *new shape*, located somewhere

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Circle (Point 39.0 44.0) 10.0

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Shapes at the origin

```
baseCircle :: Float -> Shape
baseCircle r = Circle (Point 0 0) r

baseRect :: Float -> Float -> Shape
baseRect width height = Rectangle (Point 0 0) (Point width height)

Prelude> nudge (baseRect 40 100) 60 23
Rectangle (Point 60.0 23.0) (Point 100.0 123.0)
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```

Record syntax

- Create a data type that describes a person
 - First name, last name, age, height, phone number, and favorite ice-cream flavor

```
data Person = Person String Int Float
String String deriving (Show)

Prelude> let guy = Person "Buddy" "Finklestein" 43 184.2

"526-2928" "Chocolate"

Prelude> guy

Person "Buddy" "Finklestein" 43 184.2 "526-2928" "Chocolate"
```

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Accessing fields

```
firstName (Person firstname _ _ _ ) = firstname

lastName (Person _ lastname _ _ _ ) = lastname

age (Person _ _ age _ _ _ ) = age

height (Person _ _ height _ _ ) = height

phoneNumber (Person _ _ _ number _ ) = number

flavor (Person _ _ _ flavor ) = flavor
```

Prelude> :t flavor

flavor :: Person -> String

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Record syntax

- Haskell automatically creates accessor f.s
- Deriving Show, output is more complete

Prelude> :t flavor

flavor :: Person -> String

Prelude> :t firstName

firstName :: Person -> String

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Type constructors

- · Type constructors take types as params to produce new types
 - Similar to templates in C++
 - Ex.: Maybe is defined with a type parameter (a)
 - Ex.: list type takes a param to produce a concrete type

```
data Maybe a = Nothing | Just a

Prelude> import Data.Maybe

Prelude Data.Maybe> isJust Nothing
False

Prelude Data.Maybe> fromJust (Just 5)
5
```

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Maybe for reading and finding

```
Prelude> import Text.Read

Prelude Text.Read> readMaybe "5" :: Maybe Int

Just 5

Prelude Text.Read> readMaybe "??" :: Maybe Int

Nothing

Prelude> import Data.List

Prelude Data.List> elemIndex 0 [1,4,0,3,2]

Just 2

Prelude Data.List> elemIndex 0 [1,4,3,2]

Nothing
```

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Maybe an int

- · Without the *type parameter* (a)...
- · Maybe' defined for a precise content type, e.g. Int
- For containing a String, different definition needed

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Derived instances

- · *Typeclass*: interface that defines some behavior
 - *Type* as instance, if it supports that behavior
 - Ex.: == and /= act as interface for Eq

- · Haskell can *automatically* make our type an instance of:
 - Eq, Ord, Enum, Bounded, Show, Read
- · Haskell will see if
 - The value constructors match (only one here)
 - Each pair of fields match, using == (fields are Eq)

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Show and Read types

```
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data Person = Person { firstName :: String
                     , lastName :: String
                     , age :: Int
                     } deriving (Eq, Show, Read)
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Prelude> let mikeD = Person {firstName = "Michael",
                     lastName = "Diamond", age = 43
Prelude> "mikeD is: " ++ show mikeD
"mikeD is: Person {firstName = \"Michael\",
                   lastName = \"Diamond\", age = 43\"
Prelude> read "Person {firstName =\"Michael\",
               lastName =\"Diamond\", age = 43}" :: Person
Person {firstName = "Michael", lastName = "Diamond", age = 43}
Prelude> read "Person {firstName =\"Michael\",
               lastName = \"Diamond\", age = 43\" == mikeD
True
```

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Enum and Bound types

Use algebraic data types to make enumerations

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Prelude> succ Friday
Saturday
Prelude> Friday >= Wednesday
True

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Type synonyms

Giving some types different names

```
type String = [Char] -- equivalent and interchangeable HASKELL
```

To convey more information about data

```
type Name = String
type PhoneNumber = String
type PhoneBook = [(Name, PhoneNumber)]

-- inPhoneBook :: String -> String -> [(String, String)] -> Bool
inPhoneBook :: Name -> PhoneNumber -> PhoneBook -> Bool
inPhoneBook name pnumber pbook = (name, pnumber) `elem` pbook
```

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Ex.: Search in phone book

- · Implement a f. for PhoneBook
- getPhoneNumber :: Name -> PhoneBook -> PhoneNumber
- Different patterns
 - X:XS
 - ((k,v):xs)
- · Result if name not found:
 - _ 11 11
 - error "No phone number for " ++ name
 - Change signature to return Maybe PhoneNumber

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Ex.: Bouncing ball

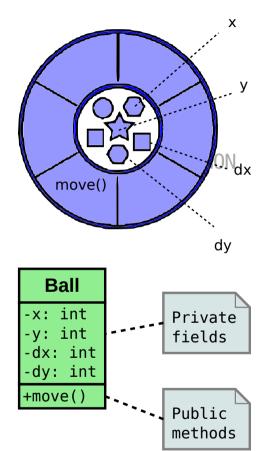
- Mimic the following Python datatype, in Haskell functional style
- Implement a move f., for advancing a step and bouncing at borders

```
ARENA_W, ARENA_H = 320, 240
BALL_W, BALL_H = 20, 20

class Ball:
    def __init__(self, x: int, y: int):
        self._x = x
        self._y = y
        self._dx = 5
        self._dy = 5

# ...
```

http://www.ce.unipr.it/brython/?p2_oop_ball.py



Class diagram UML

Randomness

The System.Random module has all needed f.s, including random

```
random :: (RandomGen g, Random a) => g -> (a, g)
```

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- It takes a random generator
- It returns a random value and a new random generator
 - RandomGen: types acting as sources of randomness
 - Random: types representing random values
- Why does it also return a new generator?
 - *Idempotence*: calling a f. with same params twice, produces same result

```
sudo apt install libghc-random-dev
```

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Rnd generators

- StdGen: instance of RandomGen
- mkStdGen f., to manually make a random generator

```
MkStdGen :: Int -> StdGen

Prelude> random (mkStdGen 100) :: (Int, StdGen)
(-1352021624,651872571 1655838864)
Prelude> random (mkStdGen 100) :: (Int, StdGen)
(-1352021624,651872571 1655838864)
```

Same parameters → Same result

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Tossing a coin

- Represent a coin with a simple Bool: True is tails, False is heads
- · Call random with a generator, get a coin and a new generator

```
threeCoins :: StdGen -> (Bool, Bool, Bool)
threeCoins gen =
    let (firstCoin, newGen) = random gen
        (secondCoin, newGen') = random newGen
        (thirdCoin, newGen'') = random newGen'
        in (firstCoin, secondCoin, thirdCoin)

Prelude> threeCoins (mkStdGen 21)
(True,True,True)
Prelude> threeCoins (mkStdGen 943)
(True,False,True)
```

Multiple random values

- randoms f. takes a generator and returns an infinite sequence of values
- Doesn't give the new random generator back

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Random in a range

randomR: single random value within a defined range

```
Prelude> randomR (1,6) (mkStdGen 123456)
(4,645041272 40692)
Prelude> randomR (1,6) (mkStdGen 654321)
(6,412237752 40692)
```

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randomRs: stream of random values within a defined range

```
Prelude> take 10 $ randomRs ('a','z') (mkStdGen 3) :: [Char]
"ndkxbvmomg"
```

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Input and output

- Imperative languages: series of steps to execute
- Functional programming: defining what stuff is
- Haskell is a purely functional language
 - A f. can't change some state, or produce side-effects
 - Result based only on the params
 - Called twice with same params: same result
- I/O ops require changing some state
 - Haskell separates the pure part of the program...
 - from the impure, which does all the dirty work...
 - like talking to the keyboard and the screen

Hello, world!

- Up until now, we've always loaded our functions into GHCl to test them
- Let's write our first Haskell program (helloworld.hs)

```
main = print "hello, world"
```

· And now let's build and run it



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I/O actions

```
Prelude> :t print
print :: Show a => a -> IO ()
Prelude> :t print "hello, world"
print "hello, world" :: IO ()
```

- I/O action: action with side-effects
 - E.g., reading input or writing to screen
 - And may also contain some result value
- print takes a value and returns an I/O action
 - Result type () -- empty tuple, aka unit
- I/O action performed when named as main
 - And the program is run

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Sequence of actions

- One I/O action seems limiting...
- Use do syntax to glue together several I/O actions into one

```
main = do
    print "Hello, what's your name?"
    name <- getLine
    print ("Hey " ++ name ++ ", you rock!")</pre>
```

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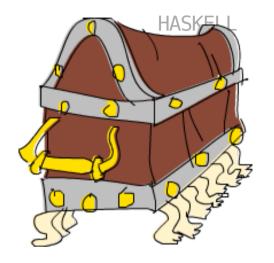
- This reads like an imperative program
 - We laid out a series of steps into a single do
 - Each step is an I/O action
 - The whole do has type IO (), same as last I/O action inside

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Getting data

Prelude> :t getLine
getLine :: IO String

- What does "name <- getLine" mean?
 - Perform the I/O action **getLine** (get a line from *stdin*)
 - Then bind its result value to name
- I/O action: ~ box to send into the real, impure world
 - Do something there
 - Maybe bring back some data
- Arrow (<-) to open box and get data
 - In particular, getLine contains a String
 - This can be done only inside another I/O action



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I/O results

Take a look at this piece of code. Is it valid?

```
nameTag = "Hello, my name is " ++ getLine
```

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- ++ requires both its params to be lists over the same type
 - The left parameter has a type of String (or [Char])
 - getLine has a type of IO String
 - You can't concatenate a string and an I/O action

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Binding

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- This code doesn't read text from the input and bind it to a name
 - It gives the getLine I/O action a different name
- To get the value out of an I/O action
 - Bind it to a name with <-, inside another I/O action
 - Deal with impure data, in impure env
 - Keep the I/O parts of your code as small as possible!

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Lines with reversed words

 Continuously read a line and print it out with the words reversed, until reading a blank line

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```
main = do
    line <- getLine
    if null line
        then return ()
        else do
            print $ reverseWords line
            main
reverseWords :: String -> String
reverseWords = unwords . map reverse . words
```

- · Protip: runhaskell runs a program on the fly
 - runhaskell helloworld.hs
- The words, unwords f.s are in the stdlib

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The return action

- return in Haskell is different from other languages
 - It doesn't stop the execution of the I/O do block
 - It just makes an I/O action out of a pure value
- Mostly use return to create an I/O action that either:
 - Doesn't do anything, or
 - Always contains the desired result (we put it at the end)
- We can use return in combination with <-
 - In fact, they're sort of *opposite*

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Split or join text

Newline as separator

```
- lines :: String -> [String]
- unlines :: [String] -> String
```

Spaces as separator

```
- words :: String -> [String]
```

- unwords :: [String] -> String
- Split or join with a given separator
 - split0n :: String -> String -> [String]
 - intercalate :: String -> [String] -> String
 - In modules Data.List.Split and Data.List

sudo apt install libghc-split-dev

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putChar and putStr

- putChar takes a char and returns an I/O action to print it
- putStr is much like putStrLn, without a new line
 - Defined recursively with the help of putChar

```
putStr :: String -> IO ()
putStr [] = return ()
putStr (x:xs) = do
    putChar x
    putStr xs
```

- print prints an instance of Show
- It's basically putStrLn . show
- getChar reads a Char from the input (with buffering)

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The when action

- · Like a control flow statement, but actually a normal f.
- · It takes a boolean value and an I/O action
 - If value is True, it returns the same I/O action
 - If it's False, it returns return () -- void action
- · Encapsulats if ... else return () pattern

import Control.Monad

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```
main = do
    c <- getChar
    when (c /= ' ') $ do
        putChar c
        main</pre>
```

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The sequence action

- It takes a list of I/O actions
- · It returns an I/O action to perform them in sequence
- · Action result: list of the results

```
sequence :: [I0 a] -> I0 [a]

main = do
    rs <- sequence [getLine, getLine]
    print rs

main = do
    a <- getLine
    b <- getLine
    c <- getLine
    print [a,b,c]</pre>
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The sequence action

- Useful when mapping f.s like print or putStrLn over lists
- map print [1,2,3,4] creates a list of I/O actions
- sequence transforms that list into an I/O action

```
Prelude> sequence (map print [1,2,3,4,5])
1
2
3
4
5
[(),(),(),(),()]
```

- What's with the [(),(),(),()] at the end?
- · When we evaluate an I/O action in GHCI, it's performed, and...
- Then its result is printed out, unless it's ()

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The mapM action

- Mapping a f. that returns an I/O action over a list and then sequencing: very common
- mapM takes a f. and a list, maps the function over the list, then sequences it
- mapM_ does the same, only it throws away the result

```
Prelude> mapM print [1,2,3]
1
2
3
[(),(),()]
Prelude> mapM_ print [1,2,3]
1
2
3
```

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The forever action

- forever takes an I/O action act and...
- Returns an I/O action that just repeats act forever

```
import Control.Monad
import Data.Char

main = forever $ do
    print "Give me some input:"
    l <- getLine
    print $ map toUpper l</pre>
```

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The forM action

- forM is like mapM, with switched params
- Useful in combination with lambdas and do notation.

- Simply getLine, which already contains same data
 - color <- getLine; return color; is just unpacking and repackaging the result

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Interact

getContents: whole stdin as a String (lazy)

interact: applies a String -> String f. between stdin and stdout (lazy)

```
main = interact \$ unlines . filter ((<10) . length) . lines
```

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Basic operations on files

- · Basic operations on file:
 - Open/close: openFile, hClose, withFile
 - Mode: ReadMode | WriteMode | AppendMode | ReadWriteMode
 - Read: hGetContents, hGetLine, hGetChar
 - Write: hPrint, hPutStr, hPutStrLn

```
import System.IO

main = do
    withFile "something.txt" ReadMode (\handle -> do
        contents <- hGetContents handle
        putStr contents)</pre>
```

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Read and write on files

simpler f.s: readFile, writeFile, appendFile

```
import System.IO
import Data.Char

main = do
    contents <- readFile "girlfriend.txt"
    writeFile "girlfriendcaps.txt" (map toUpper contents)</pre>
```

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Getting a rnd generator

- getStdGen, get the global rnd generator (:: I0 StdGen)
 - Performed twice: get same generator
- newStdGen, get a new generator, update the global one

```
import System.Random

main = do
    gen <- getStdGen
    putStr $ take 20 (randomRs ('a','z') gen)

$ runhaskell random_string.hs
pybphhzzhuepknbykxhe
$ runhaskell random_string.hs
eiqgcxykivpudlsvvjpg</pre>
```

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Guess the number

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Guess, purer

```
process :: StdGen -> [String] -> [String]
process gen guesses =
    "Which number (1-10) am I thinking of?":
        check newGen (show secret) guesses
    where
        (secret, newGen) = randomR (1,10) gen :: (Int, StdGen)
check :: StdGen -> String -> [String] -> [String]
check ("": ) = []
check gen secret (guess:guesses)
    | guess == secret = "You are correct!":process gen guesses
    | otherwise = ("Sorry, it was " ++ secret):process gen guesses
main = do
    gen <- getStdGen
    interact $ unlines . (process gen) . lines
```

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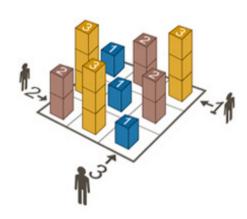
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Ex.: Skyscrapers

 Open the following files in Haskell and read the content as a matrix

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http://sowide.ce.unipr.it/sites/default/files/files/games.zip

- The numbers on the borders represent constraints to satisfy
- Check if data complies with the following rules
 - https://www.brainbashers.com/skyscrapershelp.asp
 - Check also unicity and range of values
- Possibly, use reverse and transpose
 - From module Data.List

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More on types

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Either

- Encapsulate a value of one type or another
- Two value constructors
 - If Left is used, then its contents are of type a
 - If Right is used, then its contents are of type b

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Right 'a' :: Either a Char

Left True :: Either Bool b

Prelude> :t Left True

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Use of Either

- Maybe can represent a result that could have either failed or not
 - Nothing doesn't convey details about failure
- Either a b, when interested in how some function failed or why
 - Errors use the **Left** value constructor
 - While results use Right
 - a is a type that tells something about failure
 - **b** type of a successful computation

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Recursive data structures

- One value of some type contains values of that type...
 - We can make types whose constructors have fields...
 - that are of the same type
- · List [4,5] same as 4: (5:[])
 - First: has an element on its left side...
 - and a list (5:[]) on its right side
- · A list can be:
 - An empty list, or
 - An element joined together with a: with another list

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Generic list

```
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data List a = Empty
              | Cons a (List a)
              deriving (Show, Read, Eq. Ord)
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data List a = Empty
              | Cons { listHead :: a, listTail :: List a}
              deriving (Show, Read, Eq. Ord)
· Cons constructor represents:
     - : is a constructor for lists (params: value, list)
                                                                                  HASKELL
Prelude> Empty
Empty
Prelude> 4 `Cons` (5 `Cons` Empty)
Cons 4 (Cons 5 Empty)
```

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List of ints

- · Without the *type parameter* (a)...
- · A List' should be defined for a precise content type, e.g. Int
- For containing a String, for example, a different definition of List' would be needed

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Binary search tree

- · A tree is either an empty tree, or...
- it's an element that contains some value and two trees
 - Elements at the left sub-tree are smaller than the value
 - Elements in the right sub-tree are bigger

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- Instead of manually building a tree...
- · Make a f. that takes a tree and an element to insert

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Inserting an element

- · In C etc., we modify the pointers and values inside the tree
- In Haskell, the insertion function returns a new tree
 - a -> Tree a > Tree a
- It seems inefficient, but most of the structure is shared

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Folding into a tree

- Folding: traversing a list and returning some value
- · Use a fold to build up a tree from a list

```
Prelude> let nums = [8,6,4,1,7,3,5]
Prelude> let numsTree = foldr treeInsert EmptyTree nums
Prelude> numsTree
Node 5 (Node 3 ...
```

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Checking for membership

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Making typeclasses

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Defining a typeclass

- Keyword class for defining a new typeclass
 - a is the *type variable*
- Then, specify some f.s (type declarations)
 - It's not mandatory to implement them
- · Here, f.s are mutually recursive
 - Two Eq are equal if they are not different
 - They are different if they are not equal

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Creating instances

```
data TrafficLight = Red | Yellow | Green
```

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Let's write up an instance by hand

```
instance Eq TrafficLight where
Red == Red = True
Green == Green = True
Yellow == Yellow = True
== = False
```

HASKELL

- In class declaration, == defined in terms of /= and vice versa
 - In instance declaration, only overwrite one of them
 - Called *minimal complete definition* for the typeclass

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Show instance

- Satisfy the minimal complete definition for Show...
 - Implement its *show* function
 - It takes a value and turns it into a string

```
instance Show TrafficLight where
     show Red = "Red light"
     show Yellow = "Yellow light"
     show Green = "Green light"

Prelude> Red == Yellow
False
Prelude> Red `elem` [Red, Yellow, Green]
True
Prelude> [Red, Yellow, Green]
[Red light, Yellow light, Green light]
```

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Subclasses

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- · You can also make typeclasses that are *subclasses* of other typeclasses
- Ex.: class declaration for Num

```
class (Eq a) => Num a where
```

- We have to make a type an instance of Eq...
- · Before we can make it an instance of Num

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Info about types

- The a from class Eq a will be replaced with a real type, when you make an instance
- So try mentally putting your type into the function type declarations as well
- To see what the instances of a typeclass are, just do:info YourTypeClass in GHCI
 - :info works for types, type constructors, functions

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Functor typeclass

- The Functor typeclass is basically for things that can be mapped over
 - (Yes, *list* type is part of Functor)

```
class Functor f where
fmap :: (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

- · It defines one function, fmap, no default implementation
- Type: fmap takes a f. from one type a to another b and a functor applied to a and returns the functor applied to b
- f not a concrete type
 - But a type constructor that takes one type param
 - Ex.: Maybe Int concrete type, Maybe type constructor

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List as a functor

- map takes a f. from type a to b, a list of a, returns a list of b
 - map is just a fmap that works only on lists

```
map :: (a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]

instance Functor [] where
    fmap = map

Prelude> fmap (*2) [1..3] -- same as map
[2,4,6]
HASKELL
```

- We didn't write instance Functor [a], because f has to be a type constructor that takes one type
 - [a] is already a concrete type
 - [] is a type constructor that takes one type

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Maybe as a functor

- Types that can act *like a box* can be functors
- Here's how Maybe is a functor

```
instance Functor Maybe where
  fmap f (Just x) = Just (f x)
fmap f Nothing = Nothing
```

HASKELL

- We wrote Functor Maybe instead of Functor (Maybe m)
- Functor wants a type constructor that takes one type and not a concrete type
- Mentally replace each f with Maybe, or Maybe m (nonsense)
 - (a -> b) -> Maybe a -> Maybe b
 - (a -> b) -> Maybe m a -> Maybe m b

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Mapping over a Maybe

- If it's an empty value of Nothing, then just return a Nothing
- If it's a single value packed up in a Just, then we apply the function on the contents of the Just

```
Prelude> fmap (++ " LOOK MA, INSIDE JUST") Nothing

Nothing

Prelude> fmap (++ " LOOK MA, INSIDE JUST") (Just "Stg serious.")

Just "Stg serious. LOOK MA, INSIDE JUST"

Prelude> fmap (*2) (Just 200)

Just 400

Prelude> fmap (*2) Nothing

Nothing
```

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Tree as a functor

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Either as a functor

- The Functor typeclass wants a type constructor that takes only one type parameter but Either takes two
- Partial application: Either a is a type constructor that takes one parameter

```
instance Functor (Either a) where fmap f (Right x) = Right (f x)fmap f (Left x) = Left x
```

- We mapped in the case of a Right value constructor, but we didn't in the case of a Left
 - To map one f. over both of them, a and b same type
 - The first parameter a (for Left) has to remain the same
 - Left part: ~ empty box, with an error message written on the side

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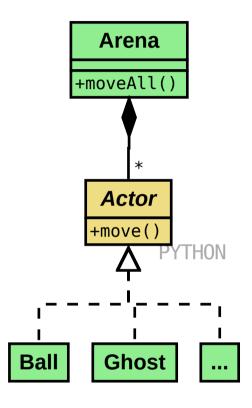
Ex.: Actor typeclass

Define a Actor typeclass, for things that can be moved

```
- move :: (Actor a) => a -> a
```

- Create a container type for generic Actor things
 - In Haskell: compile-time polymorphism!
 - Cannot mix different *types* in a list, even if they are part of the same *typeclass*

```
class Arena: # ...
  def __init__(self):
       self._actors = []
  def add(self, a: Actor):
       self._actors.append(a)
  def move_all(self):
       for a in self._actors:
            a.move()
```



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