APL Interpreter



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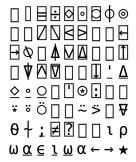
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1 Introduction

This is a Haskell implementation of an APL interpreter. The paper, and code, is divided up into several sections, where I discuss issues in implementation, design decisions, and give function specifications.

2 Inputting APL

APL is famous for its non-standard character set, of which a few are:



Before beginning to write an APL parser, interpreter, etc., I had to first decide on how to even *input* APL. My eventual decision was to write an X11 xkb symbol file. For the uninitiated this is a text file for GNU/Linux Xorg distributions which allow the user to specify different keyboard input methods.

If you select a different keyboard setting via a GUI in gnome or KDE, it is modifying or referencing this file.

This was probably the most tedious part of my project — it took a substantial amount of time to look up the symbols unicode hexadecimal value; to make sure it was the correct symbol (Unicode is huge, and sometimes symbols look almost the same); and to manually type it into the keyboard configuration.

A typical line in an X11 keyboard configuration looks as follows:

In this case, the keyboard key for 'p' (and uppercase 'P' with a standard shift) is enhanced with two more possibilities via an ISO_level3_Shift. This key is sometimes the right alt key (also known as altgr) on many keyboards, but can be remapped to anything.

Mine is the menu key because I don't even know what that key is for anyway.

Assuming my keyboard configuration has been loaded¹, in our example above, holding down the ISO_level3_Shift and pressing the 'p' key will result in the symbol '** (the APL function for exponentiation). Similarly, holding a regular shift and ISO_level3_Shift and finally the 'p' key will result in '®' (the APL function for logarithm).

Wasn't that fun?

3 Data Interface

In this module I introduce the APL data type; essentially a wrapper for a list datum.

newtype
$$APL \ a = APL \ [a]$$
 deriving (Read, Eq. Ord)

However, in order to better approximate the distinction that APL does *not* make between scalars and vectors, I install the newtype into a variety of different typeclasses.

I elaborate in more detail my decision to go the install-in-all-the-type classes route in the next section.

¹In GNU/Linux, from the commandline, this can usually be accomplished by the command: setxkbmap -layout us -variant apl

3.1 The Bureaucracy

The first serious issue in implementing an APL interpreter in Haskell, and for any language, is what kind of data structure to use — and in a roundabout way, how to deal with APL scalars, and how to deal with APL lists/arrays, since no real distinctions are made between them in that venerable language.

For example, consider the following expression:

$$\alpha + \omega$$

If α and ω are scalars, then the type of "+" will be a function from scalar \rightarrow scalar \rightarrow scalar. But in APL, α and ω can also be vectors, and more importantly, the behavior of "+" is completely different depending on the type. In particular:

- 1. if the two are vectors, "+" returns a vector where each element of the first is added pointwise to the second;
- 2. if one is a scalar and the other a vector, then that scalar is added to each element of the vector;
- 3. if both are scalars we have normal addition;
- 4. and if both are vectors but have different lengths, we have an error.

A potential solution might be to introduce an APL data type which permits either scalars or vectors, i.e.:

But this doesn't prevent mixed types from occurring within a vector; i.e., we could have:

which is unusual, and undesirable.

My solution was to install the APL newtype into most of the usual typeclasses; I thereby gained overloaded operators, and a blurred distinction between scalars and vectors (lists).

In effect then, an APL "scalar" would just be a list of one element, with the APL constructor acting as a wrapper. The result in my opinion is quite elegant; indeed, APL*ish* expressions are typeable (and computable) in ghci. E.g.:

```
*Main> (\phi) $ (APL [1,2,3,4] \gg (*2)) ×: ((\iota) 4) / (fmap (\circ.) (4 \rho: pi)) 3.242277876554809 1.82378130556208 0.8105694691387022 0.20264236728467555
```

Furthermore, this makes the work of the parsing stage that much less — essentially it will be a one to one mapping from APL expressions to the internal Haskell versions of those functions.

```
undesirables c = (c \not\equiv '['] \land (c \not\equiv ']') \land (c \not\equiv ', ')
putSpaces[] = []
putSpaces(']':', ':xs) = '\n': putSpaces xs
putSpaces(']':xs) = putSpaces xs
putSpaces(', ': xs) = ' ': putSpaces xs
putSpaces(x:xs) = x: putSpacesxs
removeUndesirables = (filter\ undesirables) \circ putSpaces
cheat [] = []
cheat ('.':'0':[]) = []
cheat ('.':'0':x:xs) \mid \neg \circ isDigit \$ x = x: cheat xs
cheat(x:xs) = x: cheat xs
aplShow (APL \ l) = cheat \circ removeUndesirables \circ show \$ \ l
instance Show a \Rightarrow Show (APL a) where
   show p =
                  aplShow p
instance Functor APL where
  fmap f_1 (APL p) = APL \$ map f_1 p
unwrap(APL x) = x
   -- container aware
aplZip \ f_2 \ (APL \ p) \ (APL \ q) = APL \ (loop \ f_2 \ p \ q \ [])
  where
       loop f_2 [] (q:qs) acc
                                    = error "Error: non equal length lists"
       loop f_2 (p:ps) [] acc
                                  = error "Error: non equal length lists"
       loop f_2 [] [] acc
                                    = reverse acc
       loop f_2 (p:ps) (q:qs) acc = loop f_2 ps qs ((p'f_2'q):acc)
  -- container aware
map2:: (t \rightarrow t \rightarrow b) \rightarrow APL \ t \rightarrow APL \ t \rightarrow APL \ b
map2 f_2 (APL [p]) (APL [q]) = APL [f_2 p q]
map2 f_2 (APL [p]) q
                                = fmap (f_2 p) q
                                = aplZip f_2 p q
map2 f_2 p q
instance Num a \Rightarrow Num (APL a) where
```

```
p+q
            = map2 (+) p q
            = map2 (*) p q
  p * q
            = map2 (-) p q
  p-q
            = fmap \ abs \ p
  abs p
  signum p = fmap signum p
  fromInteger p = APL [fromInteger p]
instance Real a \Rightarrow Real (APL a) where
  toRational (APL p) = toRational \circ head \$ p
instance Enum\ a \Rightarrow Enum\ (APL\ a) where
  toEnum\ i = APL\ [toEnum\ i]
     -- oh man this is just bad...
  fromEnum (APL (p:ps)) = fromEnum p
  succ p
            = fmap succ p
instance (Integral a, Real a, Enum a) \Rightarrow Integral (APL a) where
  quot p q
                         = map2 (quot) p q
                          = map2 (rem) p q
  rem p q
  div p q
                          = map2 (div) p q
                          = map2 (mod) p q
  mod p q
  quotRem p q
                          = ((quot p q), (rem p q))
  divMod p q
                          = ((div p q), (mod p q))
     -- truncating vectors for toInteger
  toInteger (APL [])
                         = error "toInteger: empty APL"
  toInteger(APL(p:ps)) = toIntegerp
  -- toInteger p = fmap toInteger p
  -- instance (RealFrac a, Floating a) => RealFrac (APL a) where
  -- truncate (p) = fromIntegral p
instance Fractional a \Rightarrow Fractional (APL a) where
              = map2 (/) p q
  p/q
              = fmap \ recip \ p
  recip p
  from Rational p = APL [from Rational p]
instance Floating a \Rightarrow Floating (APL a) where
              = APL [pi]
  рi
              = fmap exp p
  exp p
  sqrt p
              = fmap \ sqrt \ p
  log p
              = fmap log p
  p ** q
              = map2 (**) p q
```

```
logBase p q = map2 (logBase) p q
  sin p
               = fmap sin p
  tan p
               = fmap tan p
               = fmap cos p
  cos p
  asin p
               = fmap asin p
  atan p
               = fmap atan p
  acos p
               = fmap \ acos \ p
  sinh p
               = fmap sinh p
  tanh p
               = fmap tanh p
  cosh p
               = fmap cosh p
  asinh p
               = fmap a sinh p
  atanh p
               = fmap atanh p
  acosh p
               = fmap \ acosh \ p
concatAPL (APL p) = APL \$ loop p
  where
     loop[] = []
     loop((APL(x:xs)):ps) =
       x : xs + (loop ps)
instance Monad APL where
  (APL p) \gg f = concatAPL \$ fmap f(APL p)
  (APL p) \gg (APL q) = APL (p \gg q)
  return p
                 = APL [p]
instance Monoid (APL a) where
  mempty
                           = APL
   mappend (APL a) (APL b) = APL (a + b)
class Boolean a where
  land :: a \rightarrow a \rightarrow a
  lor :: a \rightarrow a \rightarrow a
  lif :: a \rightarrow a \rightarrow a
  lnot :: a \rightarrow a
  a 'land' b = lnot ((lnot a) 'lor' (lnot b))
  a 'lor' b = lnot ((lnot a) 'land' (lnot b))
  a'lif b
             = (lnot a) 'lor' b
  -- instance Foldable APL where
  -- foldMap g = mconcat . map g
  -- foldr f2 seed (APL []) = seed
```

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-- foldr f2 seed (APL x:xs) = f2 seed (foldr f2 seed (APL xs))

foo1 :: Num \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a

foo1 = APL \ [1, 2, 3, 4]

foo2 :: Num \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a

foo2 = APL \ [5, 6, 7, 8]

foo3 :: Fractional \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a

foo3 = APL \ [1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0]

foo4 :: Fractional \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a

foo4 = APL \ [5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0]

foo5 = APL \ [(APL \ [1, 2, 3, 4]), (APL \ [5, 6, 7, 8])]
```

4 Functions

It is probably fair to say that the interest (or notoriety) of APL lies in its functions. There are approximately 100 symbols in APL, each which can typically be interpreted either *monadically* (taking one argument), or *dyadically* (taking two arguments).

Therefore, there are approximately 200 candidate functions to implement for what might be considered a "full" implementation of APL. Unfortunately, due to time constraints, we will only implement a small subset of the total possible amount, in what might be considered a simple "prelude" for our APL interpreter.

I have separated the functions somewhat according to their behavior, and their "types" — in other words, whether they expect scalars or vectors, operate on vectors, and so on and so forth.

I have also partitioned the functions into their monadic and dyadic counterparts, for easier reference.

4.1 Unary Functions

```
independentFold f(x:[]) = x

independentFold f(x:xs) = \inf_i t f xs x

where

\inf_i t f(x:[]) \ acc = f x \ acc

\inf_i t f(x:xs) \ acc = \inf_i t f xs \ (f x \ acc)

-- + plus operator
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(+.):: Num \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
   (+.) \omega = \omega
      -- - minus operator
   (-.):: Num \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
   (-.) \omega = -\omega
       -- × times operator
   (\times.) :: Num \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
   (\times) \omega = signum \omega
       -- ÷ division operator
   (\div.) :: Fractional b \Rightarrow APL \ b \rightarrow APL \ b
   (\div.) \omega = recip \omega
       -- ★ power operator
   (\star) :: Floating b \Rightarrow APL \ b \rightarrow APL \ b
   (\star) \omega = \exp \omega
       -- ſ ceiling operator
   ( [ ] ) :: (Num \ b, RealFrac \ a) \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ b
   (\lceil) \omega = fmap (fromIntegral \circ ceiling) \omega
       -- | floor operator
   (\ |\ ) :: (Num\ b, RealFrac\ a) \Rightarrow APL\ a \rightarrow APL\ b
   ( \lfloor ) \omega = fmap (fromIntegral \circ floor) \omega
       -- ○ multiply by pi
   (\circ):: Floating a \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
   (\circ) \omega = pi * \omega
       -- ⊕ natural logarithm
   ( \otimes ) :: Floating \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
   ( \odot ) \omega = \log \omega
      --□ make positive
   (\ |\ ) :: Num\ a \Rightarrow APL\ a \rightarrow APL\ a
   ( | ) \omega = abs \omega
Vector based functions are as follows.
   atIndex\ element\ (x:xs)\ count\ |\ x \equiv element = count
   atIndex\ element\ (x:xs)\ count = atIndex\ element\ xs\ (count+1)
   iota :: (Num \ a, Ord \ a) \Rightarrow a \rightarrow [a]
   iota i = reverse \circ loop \$ i where
```

loop i =

```
if i \leq 0 then []
          else i:(loop(i-1))
(\boxtimes) \ \omega = APL \circ iota \$ \ \omega
(1) :: (Num \ a, Ord \ a) \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
(1) (APL (\omega : rest)) = APL \$ loop \omega 1 where
   loop \ \omega \ counter =
       if counter \geqslant (\omega + 1) then []
       else counter : (loop \omega (counter + 1))
   -- p rho
   -- X \leftarrow X \rho X \rho Y
(\rho) :: Num \ a \Rightarrow APL \ b \rightarrow APL \ a
(ρ) (APL ω) = fromIntegral (length ω)
   -- "monadic reversal..."
(\Phi) :: APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
(\ \ \ \ )\ (\mathit{APL}\ \omega) = \mathit{APL} \circ \mathit{reverse}\ \$\ \omega
(?.) :: (Num \ b, Random \ b) \Rightarrow b \rightarrow IO \ b
(?.) \omega = \mathbf{do}
   r \leftarrow randomRIO(0, \omega)
   return r
   -- problematic – will have type:
   -- turns something into a vector
(\in) :: APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
(\in) (APL \omega) = \bot
   -- equally problematic – will have type:
   -- (^.) :: APL (APL a) -> APL a
   -- ... muurder
(,) \omega = \bot
   -- head of vector
(\uparrow) \omega = 1 \uparrow_2 \omega
   -- tail of vector
(\downarrow) \omega = 1 \downarrow_2 \omega
```

4.2 Dyadic Functions

Basic dyadic arithmetic and trigonometric functions.

```
(+:)::Num\ a\Rightarrow APL\ a\rightarrow APL\ a\rightarrow APL\ a
    \alpha + : \omega = \alpha + \omega
    (-:)::Num\ a\Rightarrow APL\ a\rightarrow APL\ a\rightarrow APL\ a
    \alpha - : \omega = \alpha - \omega
    (\times:):: Num \ a \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
    \alpha \times : \omega = \alpha * \omega
    (\div:):: Fractional b\Rightarrow APL b\rightarrow APL b\rightarrow APL b
    \alpha \div : \omega = \alpha / \omega
    (\star_2) :: Floating b \Rightarrow APL \ b \rightarrow APL \ b \rightarrow APL \ b
    \alpha \star_2 \omega = \alpha ** \omega
    (\ \lceil_2\ ) :: (\mathit{Ord}\ b) \Rightarrow \mathit{APL}\ b \rightarrow \mathit{APL}\ b \rightarrow \mathit{APL}\ b
    \alpha \upharpoonright_2 \omega = map2 \ max \ \alpha \ \omega
    ( \lfloor_2 ) :: (Ord \ b) \Rightarrow APL \ b \rightarrow APL \ b \rightarrow APL \ b
    \alpha \mid_2 \omega = map2 \min \alpha \omega
    (\circ_2) :: (Eq t, Floating a, Num t) \Rightarrow APL t \rightarrow APL a \rightarrow APL a
    \alpha \circ_2 \omega =
        case \alpha of
        APL [1] \rightarrow sin \omega
        APL[2] \rightarrow \cos \omega
        APL[3] \rightarrow tan \omega
            -- returning ω when no case match
        _{-} \rightarrow \omega
        -- caught non-commutativity bug in map2 after implementing ⊕
    (\mathfrak{S}_2) :: Floating a \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
    \alpha \otimes_2 \omega = logBase \alpha \omega
        -- nert perty - need
    (\mid_2) :: (RealFrac\ a, Num\ b) \Rightarrow APL\ a \rightarrow APL\ a \rightarrow APL\ b
    \alpha \mid_{2} \omega = fmap \ from Integral \$ (( \ \ \ ) \ \alpha) \ `rem` (( \ \ \ \ ) \ \omega)
Dyadic vector functions.
        -- container aware, will error if \rho \omega > 1
    (1_2) :: (Eq b1, Num b, Ord b) \Rightarrow APL b1 \rightarrow APL b1 \rightarrow APL b
    \alpha @(APL ls) \mathbf{1}_2 (APL [\omega]) =
        if \omega \in \mathit{ls} then
             atIndex \omega ls 0
        else
```

```
1 + ((\lceil_2 \rceil) / * (( \iota ) \$ (\rho ) \alpha))
   -- "The symbol \rho used for the dyadic function of
   -- replication..." (pg. 350, notation as thought)
   -- does not create array of shape \alpha with data \omega
   -- single dimension, container aware
(\rho_2) :: (Num \ a, Ord \ a) \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a1 \rightarrow APL \ a1
\alpha \ \rho_2 (APL (\omega: \_)) = loop \ \alpha \ \omega \ []  where
       loop \ \alpha \ \omega \ acc =
           if \alpha \leq 0 then
               (\Phi) \circ APL \$ (reverse acc)
           else
               loop (\alpha - 1) \omega (\omega : acc)
rotate :: (Num a, Ord a) \Rightarrow APL a1 \rightarrow APL a \rightarrow APL a1
rotate xs n = if n \ge 0 then
    (n \downarrow_2 xs) 'mappend' (n \uparrow_2 xs)
   else let l = (((\rho) xs) + n) in
       (l \uparrow_2 xs) 'mappend' (l \downarrow_2 xs)
   -- "dyadic rotation"
   -- 2 $\psi$ 1 5 \leftrightarrow 3 4 5 1 2
   --^{-2} \phi 1 5 \longleftrightarrow 4 5 1 2 3
(\Phi_2) :: (Num \ a, Ord \ a) \Rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
\alpha \Phi_2 \omega = rotate \omega \alpha
(?:)::(Num\ a,Random\ a)\Rightarrow Int\rightarrow a\rightarrow IO\ [a]
\alpha ? : \omega = sequence \circ (replicate \alpha) \$ (?.) \omega
roll :: (Num \ a, Random \ a) \Rightarrow a \rightarrow IO \ a
roll x = (?.) x
   -- 1 for elements of \alpha presnt in \omega; 0 otherwise
(\in_2) :: (Eq\ a, Num\ b) \Rightarrow APL\ a \rightarrow APL\ a \rightarrow APL\ b
\alpha \in_2 (APL \omega) = fmap (\lambda x \rightarrow if x \in \omega then 1 else 0) \alpha
   --, (comma) because, is reserved
(,_2) :: APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a
\alpha, \omega = \alpha 'mappend' \omega
   -- float based indexing — not awesome
(\uparrow_2) :: (Num\ a1, Ord\ a1) \Rightarrow APL\ a1 \rightarrow APL\ a \rightarrow APL\ a
\alpha \uparrow_2 \omega = APL \$ loop \alpha \omega where
```

```
loop \ n \ foo@(APL \ (p:ps)) = \\  if \ n \leqslant 0 \ then \ [] \\  else \ p: (loop \ (n-1) \ (APL \ ps)) \\ -- \dots at \ all \\ (\downarrow_2) :: (Num \ a1, Ord \ a1) \Rightarrow APL \ a1 \rightarrow APL \ a \rightarrow APL \ a \alpha \downarrow_2 (APL \ (\omega : \omega s)) = APL \ \$ \ loop \ \alpha \ (\omega : \omega s) \ \textbf{where} \\ loop \ \alpha \ (\omega : \omega s) = \\  if \ \alpha \leqslant 0 \ \textbf{then} \ (\omega : \omega s) \\  else \ loop \ (\alpha - 1) \ (\omega s) \\ -- \ \alpha \ /: \ \omega
```

4.3 Special Functions: Operators

The special functions are operators when their left operand is a function. They are: "/" <add others>

```
f/*(APL\ \omega) = independentFold\ f\ \omega
```

4.4 Example and Unit Tests

```
foo1 :: Num a \Rightarrow APL a
foo1 = APL [1, 2, 3, 4]
foo2 :: Num a \Rightarrow APL a
foo2 = APL [5, 6, 7, 8]
foo3 :: Fractional a \Rightarrow APL a
foo3 = APL [1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0]
foo4 :: Fractional a \Rightarrow APL a
foo4 = APL [5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0]
```

5 Parser and Evaluator for APL

The working parser for the interpreter is composed, essentially, of two parts: a symbol map that maps string APL functions to a tuple, containing the unary version and the dyadic version, and the scanner which tokenizes and marks the arity of functions.

During the parsing and evaluation stage, the arity of the operator is queried, and the appropriate side of the tuple is returned depending on that arity.

In this way, an evaluation stack is built up, and reduced, when moving across the token list.

```
symbolMap sym =
    case sym of
    "+" \rightarrow ((+.), (+:))
    "-" \rightarrow ((-.),(-:))
    "x" \rightarrow ((x.), (x:))
    "\div" \rightarrow ((\div.),(\div:))
    "\star" \to ((\star), (\star_2))
    "[" \rightarrow ((\lceil ), (\lceil _2 ))]
    \text{"L"} \to ((\ \ \ \ ),(\ \ \ \ \ \ ))
    " \ " \rightarrow ((\ \circ\ ), (\ \circ_2\ ))
    "\mathfrak{S}" \to ((\mathfrak{G}), (\mathfrak{G}_2))
    "\iota" \to ((\ \iota\ ), (\ \iota_2\ ))
    "\rho" \rightarrow ((\ \rho\ ),(\ \rho_2\ ))
    \text{``}\varphi\text{''}\to((\,\varphi\,),(\,\varphi_2\,))
    "" \rightarrow ((\in), (\in_2))
    "," \rightarrow ((\ ,\,),(\ ,_2\ ))
    "\uparrow" \rightarrow ((\uparrow), (\uparrow_2))
    "\downarrow" \to ((\downarrow), (\downarrow_2))
    "\square" \rightarrow ((\mid ),(\mid_2))
    "|" \rightarrow ((||), (||_2))
    s \rightarrow error ("Unknown symbol: " + s)
```

The token data structure has the obvious datums: a function which embeds the operator, and its arity; names for identifiers; numbers; left paren and right parens; and the minus sign, which has special precedence.

```
data TokenAPL a =
Function String Int |
Name String |
Number a |
LParen |
RParen |
Minus deriving (Show, Eq, Read)
```

The scanner uses a few functions to tokenize the string; it checks for whether the current object it is examining is a number, an identifier, or a symbol (neither of those); moreover, it supports vector input as one would expect, i.e.:

ρ1234

The current scanner relies upon the Prelude's *words* function; a side effect is that the scanner is space sensitive for operators, which can simply be amended by writing a custom *words*.

```
isFloat s = loop s 0 where
  loop []_
                                  = True
  loop (s:ss) counter | isDigit s = loop ss counter
  loop('.':ss) counter | counter \equiv 0 = loop ss 1
  loop(s:ss)
isNum\ s = (and\ (map\ isDigit\ s)) \lor isFloat\ s
isIdent s = and (map isAlpha s)
isSym\ s = (\neg \circ isNum\ \$\ s) \land (\neg \circ isIdent\ \$\ s)
  -- eats the largest number or vector it can
obtainNumber ns = loop ns where
        loop [] = []
        loop(n:ns) \mid isNum \ n = (read \ n:: Float) : loop \ ns
       loop(n:ns) \mid and \$ map isSpace n = loop ns
       loop(n:ns) = []
scan'[] = []
scan' ("(": ss) = (LParen: scan' ss)
scan' (")": ss) = (RParen: scan' ss)
scan'(s:ss) \mid isIdent s = ((Name s): scan' ss)
scan' (s1: ss) | (isSym s1) = (Function s1 1): scan' ss
scan' t@(s:ss) \mid isNum s =
  let num = obtainNumber t
     ss' = (drop (length num) t)
     if ss' \equiv [] then -- parens break arity right now
       (Number num): scan' ss'
     else
       let leftarg = Number num
          next = head ss'
```

```
op = (Function next 2) in
           leftarg: op: (scan' $ tail ss')
\mathit{scan'} \_ = \mathit{error}  "Unknown character in expression"
isPunctuation' c = (isPunctuation c) \land (\neg (c \equiv '.'))
isAPLbreak\ c = (isSpace\ c) \lor (isSymbol\ c) \lor (isPunctuation'\ c)
  -- hack to parse no spaces between operators, parens, etc.
myWords s =
  case dropWhile isSpace s of
        "" \rightarrow []
        s'@(c:cs) \rightarrow w: myWords s'' where
           (w, s'') =
             if ((isSymbol\ c) \lor (isPunctuation'\ c)) then
                ([c], cs)
             else
                break isAPLbreak s'
scan = scan' \circ myWords
```

The evaluator is *very* simple in the current version. In fact, it evaluates directly from the tokens, which is usually considered bad form. However, the structure is so simple right now, this seemed harmless, and so it wasn't necessary to construct an abstract syntaxt tree for the APL expressions.

Order of evaluation for an APL operator has "small" reach to the left (i.e., one datum to the left), and "long" reach to the right — as far as possible to the right.

As a result, one can evaluate as one goes left to right, computing the final result when one reaches the final token.

```
eval ((Number i):[]) = (APL i)
eval ((Number i): (Function name arity): tokens) =
  if arity = 2 then
      ((snd o symbolMap $ name)) (APL i) (eval tokens)
  else
      error "Arity error during parsing; expected arity 2, found 1."
eval ((Function name arity): tokens) =
  if arity = 1 then
      ((fst o symbolMap $ name)) (eval tokens)
  else
      error "Arity error during parsing; expected arity 1, found 2."
eval _ = error "General unmatched parsing error during evaluation."
```

6 Main

This is the main module which starts a simple REPL loop that scans, parses and evaluates basic APL expressions.

```
simpleIgnoreLoop = do
  putStr "< > "
  hFlush stdout
  expr \leftarrow getLine
  if (expr \equiv [] \lor (and \$ map isSpace expr)) then
     simpleIgnoreLoop
  else
     do
       let tokens = scan expr
        result \leftarrow try (evaluate (eval tokens)) ::
          IO (Either SomeException (APL Float))
       case result of
          \textit{Left errorMesg} \rightarrow \textit{print errorMesg}
          Right answer \rightarrow print answer
        simpleIgnoreLoop
main = do
  putStrLn "Astoundingly Profound Language Interpreter, version 0.1"
  simpleIgnoreLoop
```