Debugging and expanding Meta Casanova

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Introduction

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Motive

- ► Video game industry
- ► Casanova
- ► Meta Casanova

Research question

How can the programming language Meta Casanova be improved for the user within the timeframe of the internship?

Sub research questions

- ► What is a good programming language to the user?
- ▶ What is MC and how does it work?
- How can the current syntax be improved to serve the user?
- ► How can the standard library be improved to serve the user?

What is a good programming language to the user?

Criteria:

- Read- & Writability
- Simplicity
- ▶ Definiteness
- Predictability
- Expressiveness
- Implementability
- Efficiency

Criteria are used as guidelines

- ► Custom Libraries
- ▶ Time
- ► Hackability
- ► Succinctness
- Redesign
- External Factors

What is MC and how does it work? Meta Casanova

- ► Functional
- ► Declarative
- Pure

What is MC and how does it work?

Basics: part one

```
Func int -> "foo" -> int -> 'a -> int * 'a
             Func int -> "bar" -> int -> int
                                                     Declarations
             Data int -> "," -> 'a -> int * 'a
                   a bar b -> res
                                       premises
Function
                   res,c -> res'
           Rule
Definition
                   a foo b c -> res'
                   a \le b
                                      conditional
                   b - 1 -> res
                                                     Function
                                      Implication
                   a bar res -> res'
           Rule
                                                     Definitions
                                      bar
Function
                   a bar b -> res'
                                     conclusion
Definition
                   a > b
           Rule
                   a bar b -> b
```

What is MC and how does it work? Basics: part two

- ► TypeFunc
- ► TypeAlias
- ► Module

How can the current syntax be improved to serve the user?

Expanding Modules

► Old TypeFunc "expanding" => Module => Module expanding M => M{ New TypeFunc "expanding" => Module => Module expanding M => Module { inherit M

How can the current syntax be improved to serve the user?

Syntax additions

▶ Priority
Func "bar" -> Int #> 12 R
TypeFunc "foo" => Float => 'a => 'b #>

▶ .NET
import System

Func "dotNetTest" -> String
dotNetTest -> DateTime.Now.ToString()

How can the standard library be improved to serve the user?

- ► Prelude
- ► Number
- ► Record
- ► Monads

How can the standard library be improved to serve the user? Prelude

How can the standard library be improved to serve the user?

Number & Record

- ► Number
 - ► Generic
- ► Record
 - ► Compile time

How can the standard library be improved to serve the user? Monads

- ► Monad
- Monad transformers
- ► TryableMonad

How can the standard library be improved to serve the user?

Implemented monads & monad transformers

- ► List
- ► Either
- ► Result
- ► State
- ► Id

Advantages of Meta Casanova

- ► Predictability
- **▶** Definiteness
- Succinctness
- Safety
- ► Choice of execution time

- Sub research questions
 - What is a good programming language to the user?
 - ► What is MC and how does it work?
 - ► How can the current syntax be improved to serve the user?
 - ► How can the standard library be improved to serve the user
- ► Main research question
 - ► How can the programming language Meta Casanova be improved for the user within the timeframe of the internship?
- ► Video game industry



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