

Technical Report

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1 Introduction

This Technical report documents the structure of the assignment solution and offers a reflective analysis of design choices made and the results and structure of the testing regime. The program is designed to take user inputs and produce a picture onscreen using the Haskell CodeWorld package.

2 Design Documentation

2.1 Design

Part 1 consists of three functions, all case match inputs to return the specified outputs. The two functions `nextColor` and `nextTool` both cycle through a sequence of values depending on the given value. `nextTool` only accepts empty tools and so via a wildcard case will return the input when this is not the case.

Part 2 Contains four functions the first of which, `colourNameToColour` in module `View` case matches elements of type `ColourName` and returns the same information in type `Colour` which CodeWorld uses. The second function `shapeToPicture` takes the information kept within type `Shape` converting it to `Picture` to displayed. Where most inputs were case matched to equivalent CodeWorld functions. The specifications of `Rectangle` were through linear algebra converted to a `solidPolygon` of four points. `Cap` is a combination of the functions `clipped` and `circle` translated inside the clip but will return a circle in case that the cut-off is below the circle. Thirdly, `colourShapeToPicture` casematches inputs of type `colourShape` to return coloured shapes of type `Picture`. The helper functions `distance` and `otherTriPoint` were used to calculate circle radii and the third point of the isosceles triangle respectively. Finally, `colourShapesToPicture` recurses through an list containing type `ColourShape` and returns a composite `Picture`.

Part 3 consists of one main function `handleEvent`, and six helpers. `handleEvent` cases on keystroke and mouse presses to change the Model's state. Presses of backspace and delete calls the function `deletePress` which removes the head of the list of shapes to remove the most recently added shape from the image. The spacebar input calls the function `endPoly` that takes any list stored in type `Tool` and then adds a polygon to the list of colourshapes. Key inputs of + or - call the functions `scaleRect` and `negScaleRect` respectively that increment the scaling factor stored in `rectangleTool`. Mouse presses call `pointPress` that cases on the shape tool being used to then store the pressed point in the tool. Similarly mouse releases call `pointRel` generally to complete a shape adding it to the list of shapes and returning an empty tool.

There are two cases on `CapTool` to determine if it is storing the second point or the y coordinate of the cutoff point.

2.2 Program Structure

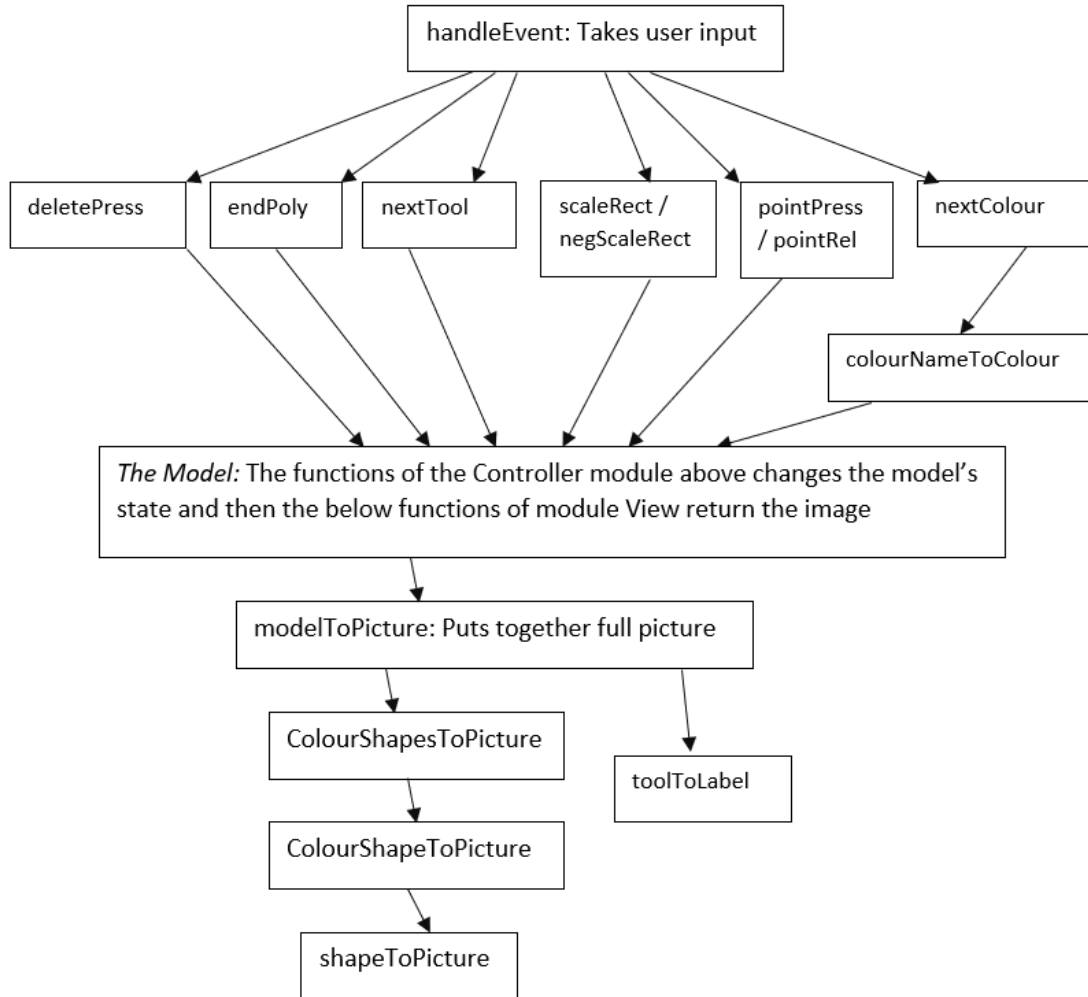


Figure 1: Function dependency graph - Upper functions call the lower functions.

The first seven functions are contained in the Controller module where they allow user control of the model whilst the other functions are contained within the View module which takes the model and produces an onscreen image.

2.3 Technical Decisions

Part 1 used a case statement for all three functions as they were all injective with no need to use guards.

Part 2 Whilst `colourNameToColour` was very simple case matching, `shapeToPicture` is more compli-

cated, case matching on the tool used it returns a CodeWorld `Picture`. For both triangle and rectangle tools the `solidPolygon` function was used to create the associated picture due to the specifications of the input not aligning well to a specific CodeWorld function. For the triangle the points used were the two given points and a third given by the function `otherTriPoint` that calculated the other isosceles point. For rectangles some linear algebra was used in the definition to define the two other points as a translation of the first two points of a degree dictated by the scaling factor. The specifications for producing a cap required a guard to determine if the cutoff was below the circle or not. if it was it would just return a circle, otherwise the desired cap would be produced, necessitated by the clip window and translations used. `colourShapeToPicture` applied both prior part 2 functions to return a coloured picture using the appropriate CodeWorld function. Finally it was necessary to recurse through the list of colourshapes in the `colourShapesToPicture` function as the list could be of any length. **Part 3** was a simple implementation. The main function `handleEvent` cased on different inputs and would, instead of nesting cases, call appropriate helper function(s) which could case on the required part of the input to produce the desired output. To reduce the risk of errors most helpers were guarded by wildcards.

2.4 Assumptions

A specification gap for `handleEvent` necessitated the assumption that the function `pointRel` should maintain the scale factor of the rectangle tool at the same value upon the completion of a rectangle on rather than re-initialise. This is hoped to reduce the times a user has change the scale factor to sequentially draw multiple similar rectangles. For `colourShapesToPicture` it was assumed that in case of an empty shapes list it should return a blank canvas, and thus used the prespecified CodeWorld function `blank`.

3 Testing

Part 1 composed of the functions `toolToLabel` `nextTool` and `nextColour` was tested using the provided black-box test file under the command `cabal v2-test`. It passed `1 of 1 test suites` indicating correctness. Further simple white-box tests were conducted within development calling functions with edge-case inputs in the terminal to ensure the case matching was error tolerant, eventually any such errors were deemed eliminated.

Parts 2 & 3 were tested firstly by removing all errors or warnings delivered by program compilation. As the Part 3 functions are designed to call the functions in both parts 1 and 2 it was decided it would be possible to test the functionality of parts 2 and 3 just through rigorous black-box testing of program

GUI response. Each shape tool was tested in as many input configurations as possible including colour. Further all key inputs were tested to ensure they produced the desired response. The program passed both testing regimes. Finally, testing concluded with some white-box tests for edge cases in inputs to check for crashes or specification violations. Firstly the delete command was tested on a blank canvas and did not have any unintended consequences. Next, various variations of capTool, the most complex tool, were tested in all four coordinate quadrants and various sizes. The tool returned the appropriate outputs for cut lines above and below the defined circle and also above and below the centre of but within the circle. Further the rectangle tool was tested that it was coded as clockwise which it was. Further, the functions in part 2 were subjected to a number of Black-Box doctests all of which passed. Consequently as no errors could be found and everything held to specifications the program can be deemed correct.

4 Reflection

Due to the simple nature of and efficacy of the program the author does see any impetus to build the program differently. Further they did not run into any notable issues during development and did not find any significant strain on their technical skills. Due to its simplicity the program is very easy to interpret and is well documented.