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Entry type Definition Classification msc 68N15 Haskell is a computer programming language designed by a committee in 1990 to consolidate the best features of the many purely functional programming languages that were created in the late 1980s. Haskell is thus neither a procedural programming language nor an object-oriented one, although it offers monads such as do to support procedural programming and classes with inheritance to support object-oriented programming (there is also a variant of Haskell called O'Haskell which includes more support for object-oriented programming). In general, Haskell programs are most naturally written declaratively.

The standard version of the language is Haskell 98; Haskell 2007 hasn't been released yet but is expected to be only a minor revision of Haskell 98.

The standard Haskell prelude includes the function gcd, which computes the greatest common divisor of two integers. The following Haskell code is a reimplementation of the gcd function.

```
-- gcd.hs -- compute the gcd of two integers
-- View this page in TeX mode for documentation and license.
mygcd :: Int -> Int -> Int
mygcd m n
 | (n < 0)
             = mygcd m (abs n)
  | (n == 0) = m
  | (m < n) = mygcd n m
  | otherwise = mygcd n (mymod m n)
mydiv :: Int -> Int -> Int
mydiv m n
  | (m < 0)
             = negate (mydiv (negate m) n)
  | (n < 0)
            = negate (mydiv m (negate n))
  | (m < n)
              = 0
  | otherwise = 1 + mydiv (m-n) n
mymod :: Int -> Int -> Int
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mymod m n = m - n \* (mydiv m n)