

Lecture 7 – Monad

- ▶ A program can be viewed as a function from values to computations (i.e. Monadic function).

```
1 program :: a -> m b
```

- ▶ A computation is assigned a constructed type.

```
1 m a
2
3 -- where m is a type constructor such as
4 --         Maybe, [], Tree, Map, and IO
```

- ▶ Operators for creating and composing functions from values to computations.

```
1 return :: a -> m a
2 -- 'return' lifts a value into a computation
3
4 (<=<) :: (b -> m c) -> (a -> m b) -> (a -> m c)
5 -- f <=< g composes f and g
```

Category

- ▶ A category C consists of a class of objects $\text{obj}(C)$ and a class of morphisms $\text{hom}(C)$ between the objects.
- ▶ Set is a category, where objects are sets and morphisms are functions.

```
1 f :: a -> b
2 g :: b -> c
3 h :: c -> d
4
5 id : b -> b
6
7 h . (g . f) = (h . g) . f -- associativity
8
9     id . f = f           -- left identity
10    g . id = g           -- right identity
```

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- ▶ The natural category for interpreting programs is the Kleisli category, which is the category of monadic functions.

```
1 f :: a -> m b
2 g :: b -> m c
3 h :: c -> m d
4
5 return :: b -> m b
6
7 h <=< (g <=< f) = (h <=< g) <=< f -- associativity
8
9 return <=< f      = f              -- left identity
10 g <=< return     = g              -- right identity
```

Function and Monadic function

- Monadic function generalizes ordinary function.

```
1  -- identity
2      id :: b -> b
3  return :: b -> m b
4
5  -- composition
6      (.) :: (b -> c) -> (a -> b) -> (a -> c)
7      (<=<) :: (b -> m c) -> (a -> m b) -> (a -> m c)
8
9  -- application
10     ($) :: (a -> b) -> a -> b -- (g . f) x = g $ f x
11     (=<<) :: (a -> m b) -> m a -> m b -- (g <=< f) x = g =<< f x
12
13  -- inverse application
14     (&) :: a -> (a -> b) -> b -- import Data.Function
15     (>=>) :: m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b
```

Monad class

- ▶ Monad type class defines an identity function and a bind function, though only bind function is required.

```
1 class Application m => Monad (m :: * -> *) where
2   return :: a -> m                -- identity
3   return = pure
4
5   (>>=)  :: m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b  -- bind
6
7   (>>)   :: m a -> m b -> m b          -- sequence
8   m >> k = m >>= \_ -> k
```

Maybe Monad

- ▶ Maybe type constructor is an instance of the Monad class

```
1 instance Monad Maybe where
2     return x = Just x
3
4     Nothing >>= f = Nothing
5     Just x >>= f = f x
6
7 instance Applicative Maybe where
8     pure x = Just x
9
10    Just f  <*> Just a = Just $ f a
11    Nothing <*> _      = Nothing
12    _ <*> Nothing = Nothing
13
14 instance Functor Maybe where
15     fmap _ Nothing = Nothing
16     fmap f (Just x) = Just $ f x
```

Define a Log type

- ▶ A Log type allows us to record log strings during computation.

```
1 newtype Log a = Log { runLog :: (a, String) }  
2  
3 logger :: String -> Log ()  
4  
5 logger x = Log ((), x)
```

- ▶ A Log a value is essentially a tuple – (a, String).
- ▶ To add a log string, we create a pair of the type – Log () using the logger function.

Make Log type Functor

- ▶ fmap only applies f to the value inside Log while leaving the log string undisturbed.

```
1 instance Functor Log where
2
3     fmap f m = Log (f a, l)
4
5     where (a, l) = runLog m
```

- ▶ runLog unwraps the pair inside the Log type.

Make Log type Applicative

- ▶ pure simply creates a Log with empty string.

```
1 instance Applicative Log where
2   pure a = Log (a, "")
3
4   f <*> v = Log (f_a f_v, l_f ++ "\n" ++ l_v)
5
6   where (f_a, l_f) = runLog f
7
8         (f_v, l_v) = runLog v
```

- ▶ <*> unwraps both Logs, applies their values, and appends their log strings.

Make Log type Monad

- ▶ 'return' function is just 'pure'

```
1 instance Monad Log where
2   return a = Log (a, "") -- the same as 'pure'
3
4   m >>= k = Log (b, l ++ "\n" ++ l')
5
6   where (a, l)  = runLog m
7
8           (b, l') = runLog $ k a
```

- ▶ >>= binds a Log monad with a function k that returns another Log monad.
- ▶ <*> can be implemented with >>=.

```
1 m_f <*> m_v = m_f >>= \f ->
2                   m_v >>= \v ->
3                   return $ f v
```

Using Log type to log computation

- `calc` function logs the start, the result, and the end of the computation, and then returns the final result in a `Log` monad.

```
1 calc :: Integer -> Log Integer
2
3 calc x = logger "start" >>
4         let y = (sum [1..x])
5         in logger ("sum from 1 to " ++ show x ++
6                  " is: " ++ show y) >>
7         logger "done" >>
8         return y
```

Using Log type to log computation

- ▶ do notation is easier to read than using `>>=` and `'return'`.

```
1 calc' :: Integer -> Log Integer
2
3 calc' x = do
4     logger "start"
5     let y = sum [1..x]
6     logger ("sum from 1 to " ++ show x ++
7           " is: " ++ show y)
8     logger "done"
9     return y
```

Using Log type to log computation

- ▶ use 'runLog' to extract the value and the logged string from a Log monad.

```
1 main :: IO ()
2 main = do
3     let (y, l) = runLog $ calc 10
4     let (y', l') = runLog $ calc' 20
5     putStrLn l'
6     putStrLn l
7     putStrLn $ show (y', y)
8
9 -- start
10 -- sum from 1 to 10 is: 55
11 -- done
12
13 -- start
14 -- sum from 1 to 20 is: 210
15 -- done
16
17 -- (210,55)
```