Introduction to Functional Programming with Haskell - RCOS Presentation

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What characterizes Functional Programming?

- Abstraction of common patterns via higher order functions
- A mathematical use of the term "function" (as a pure mapping from input to output), as opposed to the concept of procedures (e.g. in C)

What is Haskell?

A general-purpose programming language that:

- Encourages a functional style of programming
- ► Enables very short, readable code
- Has static typechecking, with type inference
- ► Compiles to native code, in the same efficiency class as Java/C# (can be made as performant as Assembly/C/C++, with some effort)

Hello world

```
main = putStrLn "Hello, world!"

main = do
    putStr "Enter a string: "
    str <- getLine
    putStrLn ("Echo: " ++ str)</pre>
```

Examples with numbers

- factorial n = product [1..n]
- dotProduct xs ys = sum \$ zipWith (*) xs ys
 dotProduct' xs ys = sum (zipWith (*) xs ys) -- equivalent definition
 magnitude xs = sqrt \$ dotProduct xs xs
- divides n i = (n 'mod' i) == 0
 isPrime n = not \$ any (divides n) [1..n]
 isPrime' n = not (any (divides n) [1..n]) -- equivalent definition

Examples with numbers (continued)

- fibonaccis = 1 : 1 : zipWith (+) fibonaccis (tail fibonaccis)
- approxDerivative epsilon f x = (f (x+epsilon) f x) / epsilon

```
stars n = replicate (floor n) '*'
showLines = putStr . unlines
prepend = zipWith ((++) . show)
plot f xs = showLines $ prepend xs (map (stars . f) xs)
```

Execution of examples

```
ghci> :load haskell_lecture_numberslide.hs
                                                                                                       ( haskell_lecture_numberslide.hs, interpreted )
[1 of 1] Compiling Main
Ok. modules loaded: Main.
ghci> :browse
factorial :: (Enum a. Num a) => a -> a
dotProduct :: Num a => [a] -> [a] -> a
magnitude :: Floating a => [a] -> a
divides :: Integral a => a -> a -> Bool
isPrime :: Integral a => a -> Bool
fibonaccis :: Num a => [a]
approxDerivative :: Fractional a => a -> (a -> a) -> a -> a
stars :: RealFrac a => a -> [Char]
showLines :: [String] -> IO ()
prepend :: Show a => [a] -> [[Char]] -> [[Char]]
plot :: (RealFrac b. Show a) => (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow IO ()
ghci> map factorial [1..10]
[1,2,6,24,120,720,5040,40320,362880,3628800]
ghci> magnitude [1.1]
1.4142135623730951
ghci> take 10 $ filter isPrime [2..]
[2.3.5.7.11.13.17.19.23.29]
ghci> take 10 fibonaccis
[1.1.2.3.5.8.13.21.34.55]
ghci> plot (^2) [0..7]
1.0*
2.0****
3.0*******
4.0**********
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ghci> plot (approxDerivative 0.01 (^2)) [0..7]
2.0****
3.0*****
4.0******
5.0*******
6.0*******
7.0**********
ghci>
```

Functions used in previous examples

```
(\$) :: (a -> b) -> a -> b
f  x = f  x
(.) :: (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow c)
(f \cdot g) x = f (g x)
not :: Bool -> Bool
any, all :: (a -> Bool) -> [a] -> Bool
zip :: [a] -> [b] -> [(a, b)]
zipWith :: (a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [b] \rightarrow [c]
sum, product :: Num a => [a] -> a
replicate :: Int -> a -> [a]
putStr, putStrLn :: String -> IO ()
```

Map and Reduce

```
map :: (a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]
map f [] = []
map f (x:xs) = (f x):(map f xs)

map' f = foldr ((:) . f) [] -- equivalent definition

foldr :: (a -> b -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
foldr f acc [] = acc
foldr f acc (x:xs) = f x (foldr f acc xs)
```

map applies its function to every element of a list.

foldr uses the provided function to reduce/aggregate the list into some value, starting from a seed.

Folds are very general, and can be used to implement many types of loops.

Definition of foldl in Python:

```
def foldl(f, init, xs):
    acc = init
    for x in xs:
        acc = f(acc, init)
    return acc
```

Reduce (continued)

More definitions of things in terms of foldr:

```
map f = foldr ((:) . f) []
sum = foldr (+) 0
product = foldr (*) 1
concat = foldr (++) []
all p = foldr ((&&) . p) True
any p = foldr ((||) . p) False
```

Typeclasses

With this definition:

```
instance Num a => Num [a] where
   (+) = zipWith (+)
   (*) = zipWith (*)
   (-) = zipWith (-)
   negate = map negate
   abs = map abs
   signum = map signum
   fromInteger = cycle . return . fromInteger
```

Expressions like these become valid:

```
1 + [1,2,3]
2 * [2..10]
-[6,2,8]
abs [-5..5]
```

Currying, Sections, and Infix

The following are all equivalent (via currying):

```
f g x y = zipWith g x y
f g x = zipWith g x
f g = zipWith g
f = zipWith
f g x = \y -> zipWith g x y
f g = \x y -> zipWith g x y
f = \g x y -> zipWith g x y
```

These are equivalent triples (via sections, and infix):

```
g x = x + 1 
g = (+1) 
g x = (+) x 1
```

```
h x = x 'mod' 2
h = ('mod' 2)
h x = mod x 2
```

```
i x = 2 'mod' x
i = (2 'mod')
i x = mod 2 x
```

TIMTOWTDI - There's More Than One Way To Do It

Functions introduced:

```
ord :: Char -> Int
chr :: Int -> Char
interact :: (String -> String) -> IO ()
forever :: Monad m => m a -> m b
```

```
import Control.Monad
import Data.Char

caesarCipher shift = map (chr . ('mod' 256) . (+ shift) . ord)

main1 = forever $ do
    plaintext <- getLine
    let ciphertext = caesarCipher 3 plaintext
    putStrLn (caesarCipher 3 plaintext)

main2 = forever (getLine >>= (putStrLn . caesarCipher 3))

main3 = interact (caesarCipher 3)
```

Quicksort

```
{-# LANGUAGE NoMonomorphismRestriction #-}
import Control.Monad
import Control.Monad.ST
import Data.STRef
import qualified Data. Vector as V
import qualified Data. Vector. Mutable as VM
import Data.List
import Test.QuickCheck
partitionByST cmp vec i j = do
    let pivotIdx = (i + j) 'div' 2
    pivotVal <- VM.read vec pivotIdx</pre>
    VM.swap vec pivotIdx j
    storeIdx <- newSTRef i
    forM_[i..j-1]  \i -> do
        val <- VM.read vec i
        when (cmp val pivotVal == LT) $ do
            readSTRef storeIdx >>= VM.swap vec i
            modifySTRef storeIdx (+1)
    readSTRef storeIdx >>= VM.swap vec j
    readSTRef storeIdx >>= return
```

Quicksort (continued)

```
quicksortByST cmp vec = aux 0 (VM.length vec - 1) >> return () where
   aux i j = when (i < j) $ do
        mid <- partitionByST cmp vec i j
        aux i (mid-1)
        aux (mid+1) j

quicksortBy cmp vec = V.modify (quicksortByST cmp) vec

quicksort = quicksortBy compare

runTests = quickCheck matchesListSort where
   matchesListSort :: [Int] -> Bool
   matchesListSort x = (sort x) == (V.toList . quicksort $ V.fromList x)
```

Questions?

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