

## Lecture 7 – Input and Output

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# Learn You a Haskell for Great Good!

## Chapter 9

<http://learnyouahaskell.com/input-and-output>

# Haskell is pure functional language

## Functional: (Haskell)

- ▶ Define **what** “something” is
- ▶ Cannot change the state of a program (or world):  
e.g.: cannot change the value of a variable  
⇒ **no side-effect**
- ▶ Functions always return the **same** value with the same parameters
- ▶ **good for reasoning**

## Imperative:

- ▶ Gives **a sequences of steps (operations)** to a computer to execute
- ▶ Can change the state of a program (or world)  
⇒ has side-effects
- ▶ Methods may return **different** values with the same parameters depending on the state

# Communicating to the outside world

How to see what's going on inside a program?

Usually, we see it through the screen for **IP**...

For **FP**, change the screen  $\Rightarrow$  change of **state**

Haskell has a system to handle functions which have side-effect.

IO is special case of side-effects

# IO is special case of side-effects “in the outside world”

- ▶ `f :: State TypeA -> StateIO TypeB`
  - ▶ `IO` refers that `f(a)` has a side-effect, while `TypeB` is what `f` “actually” returns. Usually, it means nothing when `TypeB = empty tuple = ()`, while the function returns a null tuple `() :: ()`.
  - ▶ `import System.IO` at the top of the program.
  - ▶ “Functions” with `IO` “actions”, e.g.:
    - `putChar :: Char -> IO ()`
    - `putStr :: String -> IO ()`
    - `putStrLn :: String -> IO ()`
    - `print :: Show a => a -> IO ()`
    - `getChar :: IO Char`
    - `getLine :: IO String`
- !! In general, `getChar == getChar` is not valid
- ▶ `putStr (“Welcome” ++ getLine)` .. is not allowed – because ill-typed
- Actions cannot be mixed with/called by (usual) functions.

# IO: result and sequencing of actions

- ▶ `<-` creates an action which
  - remove IO and
  - extracts the action's "actual result"
- ▶ `action :: IO TypeB`  
`res <- action`  
`res :: TypeB`
- ▶ `res <- getLine`

# IO: result and sequencing of actions

- `main = do`  
    `putStrLn "What is your name"`  
    `name <- getLine`  
    `putStrLn ("Welcome " ++ name)`

This is the normal sequence as in imperative programs

`do` collects a sequence of actions (not functions!)  
and turns them into one

→ returns the type (`IO-type`) of the last action in the list.

- ▶ To run the actions (do-sequences), we have to put them in a unique `main`-block, which is executed in the loaded program.
- ▶ `main`-block usually is of type `IO someType`  
`someType` is a concrete type

# IO: sequencing of actions

```
import Data.Char
```

```
main = do
```

```
    putStrLn "Your first name?"
```

```
    firstname <- getLine
```

```
    putStrLn "Your last name?"
```

```
    lastname <- getLine
```

```
    putStrLn ($ "Hei, " ++ (map toUpper firstname) ++ (map toUpper  
lastname) ++ ". Everything's fine?")
```

► **a <- something**

– only (and always) when ‘something’ is an action (with IO side-effect)



# IO: sequencing of actions

```
import Data.Char

main = do
  putStrLn "Your first name?"
  firstname <- getLine
  putStrLn "Your last name?"
  lastname <- getLine
  let upFirst = map toUpper firstname
      upLast  = map toUpper lastname without 'in'
  putStrLn ($) "Hei, " ++ upFirst ++ upLast ++ ". Everything's fine?"
```

- ▶ `a <- something`
  - only (and always) when 'something' is an action (with IO side-effect)
- ▶ `let a = something-else` (without 'in')
  - only (and always) when 'something-else' is a usual function

# More action syntax

- ▶ **do** sequences actions – like nothing else FP
- ▶ actions can be combined in usual control structures: if, case, recursion, etc.

```
main = do
  putStrLn "What to do?"
  c <- getLine
  if (not (c == " ")) then
    if (c == "a") then do
      print ("The character is " ++ c)
      main
    else do
      print ("I don't understand the character " ++ c)
      main
  else return ()
```

## More action syntax – return x

- ▶ the use of `return x` in Haskell is **different** from other languages
- ▶ `return x` creates an **IO action** out of the value `x`; can be thought as `return :: t -> IO t`

```
main = do
    return ()
    return "first"
    line <- getLine
    return line
    putStrLn ("return " ++ line)
```

What does the program do?

`return x` does **not** terminate the do-sequences.

# Some examples

```
main = do putStrLn "Hello, "
        putStrLn "how "
        putStrLn "are you?" ..... Hello,
                                     how are you?

main = do putChar 'h'
        putChar 'e'
        putChar 'y' ..... Hey

main = do
  c <- getChar
  if c /= ' '
  then do
    putChar c
    main
  else return ()

> Hello, how are you ..... Hello,
```

# Run the program

- ▶ Using the interpreter (GHCi)

```
ghci file.hs
```

```
*Main> main
```

- ▶ First compile then run

```
ghc --make file
```

```
./file
```

- ▶ Execute on the fly

```
runhaskell file.hs
```

# Some functions

```
words ::                               String -> [String]
words "a" ..... ["a"]
words "Hello, world" ..... ["Hello,", "world"]
```

```
unwords ::                             [String] -> String
unwords ["a"] ..... "a"
unwords ["ha", "ha"] ..... "ha ha"
```

E.g.:

```
main = do
  putStrLn "Enter a line:"
  ln <- getLine
  let newln = map (++"!") $ words ln
  putStrLn $ unwords newln

> hey hi hello ..... hey! hi! hello!
> hey hi hello ..... "hey! hi! hello!"
```

```
unlines ::                               [String] -> String
unlines ["a"] ..... "a\n"
unlines ["a","b","c"] ..... "a\nb\nc\n"

intercalate ::                           [a] -> [[a]] -> [a]
intercalate " " ["a","b","c"] ..... "a b c"
intercalate "\n" ["a","b","c"] ..... "a\nb\nc"

lines ::                                 String -> [String]
lines "a" ..... ["a"]
lines "a\n" ..... ["a"]
lines "How\nare\nyou?" ..... ["How", "are", "you?"]
lines "How are you?" ..... ["How are you?"]
```

## Example: lines and unlines

```
main = do
  let ln = "hey\nhi\n"
      newln = map (++"!") $ lines ln
  putStrLn $ unlines newln ..... hey!
                                   hi!
  print $ unlines newln ..... "hey!\nhi!\n"
```



```
main = do
  putStrLn "Filename?"
  filename <- getLine
  file <- openFile filename ReadMode
  content <- hGetContents file
  ...
  hClose file
```

- ▶ `openFile :: FilePath -> Mode -> IO Handle`, where  
`FilePath :: String`

```
data Mode = ReadMode | WriteMode | AppendMode | ReadWriteMode
```

- ▶ ...  
`content <- readFile filename`  
...  
▶ `readFile :: FilePath -> IO String`

- ▶ `file <- openFile filename`  
`WriteMode / ReadWriteMode / AppendMode`  
gives a “handle” to the file
- ▶ To write to *file* (of type `Handle`):  
`hPutStr, hPutStrLn :: Handle -> String -> IO ()`  
and must be closed at the end: `hClose file`
- ▶ `writeFile, appendFile :: FilePath -> String -> IO ()`  
open/close the file in the background  
(`writeFile` delete everything it finds in the file from before)

# Write to files: read a pair of numbers and write to an file

```
import System.IO
import Data.Char
main = inter []
inter pair = do
  putStr "f name / x y / q / s: "
  cmd <- getLine
  let (h:xs) = words cmd
  if (h == "f") then do
    writeFile (last xs) (pairString pos)
    inter pair
  else if (isInt h) then
    inter ((h, last xs):pair)
  else if (h == "s") then do
    putStrLn (pairString pair)
    inter pair
  else return ()
isInt s:_ = isDigit s
pairString [] = ""
pairString ((x,y):xs) = x++" "++y++" "++pairString xs
```

## Example: file handling

```
main = do
  putStr "create / read / write / delete / rename / quit"
  s <- getLine
  putStr "Enter a file name"
  fn <- getLine
  case s of
    "create" -> do doCreate fn; main
    "read" -> do doRead fn; main
    "write" -> do doWrite fn; main
    "delete" -> do doDelete fn; main
    "rename" -> do doRename fn; main
    "quit" -> return ()
    _ -> do putStrLn "unknown command"; main
```

## Example: file handling

```
doCreate fn = writeFile fn some strings
```

```
doRead fn = do  
  contents <- readFile fn  
  putStrLn contents
```

```
doWrite fn = appendFile fn some strings
```

```
doDelete fn = removeFile fn System.Directory
```

```
doRename fn = renameFile fn new name System.Directory
```

```
doReadFirstLine fn = do  
  contents <- readFile fn  
  putStrLn $ head $ lines contents
```

```
doReadFirstWord fn = do read the first charater in each line  
  contents <- readFile fn  
  let hl = map head $ map words $ lines content  
  putStrLn $ unlines hl
```

## Example: modify a file

```
doMoveLnToEnd fn = do                                move the first line to the end
  contents <- readFile fn
  let (fl:rest) = lines content
      newContent = rest++[fl]
  writeFile fn newContent ..... error
```

```
doMoveLnToEnd2 fn = do
  file <- openFile fn ReadMode
  content <- hGetContents file
  let (fl:rest) = lines content
      newContent = rest++[fl]
  hClose file
  file2 <- openFile fn WriteMode
  hPutStr file2 newContent
  hClose file2 ..... error
```

## Example: modify a file (cont)

```
doMoveLnToEnd3 fn = do
  file <- openFile fn ReadMode
  content <- hGetContents file
  let (fl:rest) = lines content
      newContent = rest++[fl]
  (fn2, file2) <- openTempFile "." "temp"
  hPutStr file2 newContent
  hClose file
  hClose file2
  removeFile fn
  renameFile fn2 fn
```

System.IO

```
openTempFile :: FilePath -> String -> IO (FilePath, Handle)
```

What about if `fn` does not exist?

```
doesFileExist :: FilePath -> IO Bool
```

System.Directory

```
  exist <- doesFileExist fn
  if (exist) then ... else return ()
```

## Lists in Haskell:

- ▶ Access the  $i$ -th element
- ▶ Traverse the list until index  $i$  .....  $i$  steps
- ▶ **linear** time

## Haskell also has **arrays**

- ▶ Like functions: from indices to values
- ▶ Can access any element at **constant** time
- ▶ `import Data.Array`



## Array creation – `array`

```
a = array (1,5) [(1,1),(2,4),(3,9),(4,16),(5,25)]
```

```
a :: Array Int Int (Ix i, Num e, Num i) => Array i e
```

```
array :: Ix i => (i,i) -> [(i,e)] -> Array i e
```

`(i,i)`: *bounds* of an array

a pair of *indices*

`[(i,e)]`: a list of pairs of *indices* and *values*

an *association* list

Usually, use *list comprehension* to define an array:

```
a = array (1,5) [ (i, i*i) | i <- [1..5]]
```

```
class (Ord a) => Ix i where ...
```

```
m = array ((0,0),(1,2)) [((i,j), i*j) | i<-[0..1], j<-[0..2]]  
    = array ((0,0),(1,2)) [((0,0),0), ((0,1),0), ((0,2),0),  
                           ((1,0),0), ((1,1),1), ((1,2),2)]
```

## Array creation – `listArray`

```
a = array (1,3) [(1,1),(2,4),(3,9)] a = listArray (1,3)
[1,4,9]
    = array (1,3) [(1,1),(2,4),(3,9)]
```

`listArray` :: `Ix i => (i, i) -> [e] -> Array i e`

Some examples:

```
listArray (1,3) [4,2,3]
    == array (1,3) [(3,4),(1,2),(2,3)] ..... False
array (1,3) [(i,i+1)| i <- [1..3]]
    == array (1,3) [(3,4),(1,2),(2,3)] ..... True
a == array (1,3) [(1,1),(2,4),(3,10),(3,9)] ..... True
a == array (1,3) [(1,1),(2,4),(3,9),(2,8)]array (1,3)
[(1,1),(2,8),(3,9)] ..... False
```

## More about indices Ix

```
class (Ord a) => Ix i where
  range :: (a,a) -> [a]
  index :: (a,a) -> a -> Int
  inRange :: (a,a) -> a -> Bool
```

Examples:

```
range (0,4) ..... [0,1,2,3,4]
range ((0,0),(1,1)) ..... [(0,0), (0,1),(1,0),(1,1)]
range ('m','p') ..... "mnop"
inRange (-50,60) 35 ..... True
inRange ('m','p') 'a' ..... False
index (1,9) 2 ..... 1
index ((0,0),(1,1)) (1,1) ..... 3
```

# Some functions on arrays

```
a = array (1,5) [(1,1),(2,4),(3,9),(4,16),(5,25)]
m = array ((0,0),(1,2)) [((0,0),0), ((0,1),0), ((0,2),0),
                        ((1,0),0), ((1,1),1), ((1,2),2)]
```

```
(!) ::                                Ix i => Array i e -> i -> e
a ! 5 ..... 25
m ! (1,1) ..... 1
```

```
bounds ::                             Ix i => Array i e -> (i,i)
bounds a ..... (1,5)
bounds m ..... ((0,0),(1,2))
```

```
indices ::                             Ix i => Array i e -> [i]
indices a ..... [1,2,3,4,5]
indices m ..... [(0,0),(0,1),(0,2),(1,0),(1,1),(1,2)]
```

```
elems ::                               Ix i => Array i e -> [e]
elems a ..... [1,4,9,16,25]
elems m ..... [0,0,0,0,1,2]
```

```
(//) ::                               Ix i => Array i e -> [(i,e)] -> Array i e
a // [(3,18)] ..... array (1,5) [(1,1),(2,4),(3,18),(4,16),(5,25)]
m // [((0,0),10)] ..... array (...) [((0,0),10), ..., ((1,2),2)]
```

# Examples using arrays

Fibonacci numbers

– given a number, calculate a sequence of fibonacci numbers

```
fibs :: Int -> Array Int Int
```

```
fibs n = fa where
```

```
  fa = array (0,n) ([ (0, 1), (1, 1) ] ++  
                    [ (i, a!(i-2) + a!(i-1)) | i <- [2..n] ])
```

1. Given a number, produce a matrix in which the elements of the 1st row and 1st column all have the value 1.
2. The value of all other elements is the **sum** of their neighbours on W, NW, and N.

```
f :: Int -> Array (Int,Int) Int
```

```
f n = a where
```

```
  a = array ((1,1),(n,n))  
    [ ((1,j), 1) | j <- [1..n] ] ++  
    [ ((i,1), 1) | i <- [2..n] ] ++  
    [ ((i,j), a!(i,j-1) + a!(i-1,j-1) + a!(i-1,j))  
      | i <- [2..n], j <- [2..n] ]
```