## Invertible Syntax Descriptions: Unifying Parsing and Pretty Printing

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## Parsing and Pretty Printing

- parser combinator libraries
- pretty printing libraries

```
data Exp = ...

parseExp :: Parser Exp

printExp :: Exp \rightarrow Doc
```

## Example language

Concrete syntax

Abstract syntax

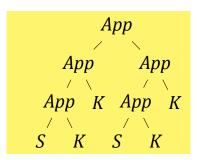
```
data SK
= S | K
| App SK SK
```

## Left Associative Application

String

```
"SKK(SKK)"
"((SK)K)((SK)K)"
```

► AST



#### Parser

```
parseSK = exp_1 where
   exp_o = S \Leftrightarrow tok "S"
           \bigcirc K  tok "K"
           \bigcirctok "(" *\rangleexp<sub>1</sub> \langle* tok ")"
   exp_1 = foldl App \langle pexp_0 \langle pexp_0 \rangle many exp_0
   tok k = string k \langle * spaces
```

## **Pretty Printer**

```
printSK \ p \ x = \mathbf{case} \ x \ \mathbf{of}
S \longrightarrow text \ "S"
K \longrightarrow text \ "K"
App \ a \ b \rightarrow
(\mathbf{if} \ p \ \mathbf{then} \ parens \ \mathbf{else} \ id)
(printSK \ False \ a \ printSK \ True \ b)
```

Need to synthesize parentheses

## **Unified Syntax Description**

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              >k⟨$>tok "K"
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   exp_1 = foldl \ app \langle \$ \rangle exp_0 \langle * \rangle many \ exp_0
   tok k = string k < * spaces
```

## **Unifying Choice**

$$(\diamondsuit)$$
:: Parser  $\alpha \to Parser \ \alpha \to Parser \ \alpha$ 

**type** Printer 
$$\alpha = \alpha \rightarrow$$
 Maybe String  $(\diamondsuit)$ :: Printer  $\alpha \rightarrow$  Printer  $\alpha \rightarrow$  Printer  $\alpha$ 

$$(\diamondsuit) :: Syntax \ \delta \Rightarrow \delta \ \alpha \rightarrow \delta \ \alpha \rightarrow \delta \ \alpha$$

## **Unifying Mapping**

$$(\$) :: (\alpha \to \beta) \to (Parser \ \alpha \to Parser \ \beta)$$

$$(\$) :: (\beta \to \alpha) \to (Printer \ \alpha \to Printer \ \beta)$$

$$(\$) :: Syntax \ \delta \Rightarrow Iso \ \alpha \ \beta \rightarrow (\delta \ \alpha \rightarrow \delta \ \beta)$$

## Partial Isomorphisms

```
data Iso \alpha \beta
= Iso (\alpha \to Maybe \beta)
(\beta \to Maybe \alpha)
```

$$f x \equiv Just y \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad g y \equiv Just x$$

#### Constructors

```
app :: Iso (Exp, Exp) Exp
app = Iso f g  where
f (a, b) = Just (App a b)
g (App a b) = Just (a, b)
g = Nothing
```

Template Haskell macro

## Folding

*foldl* :: 
$$(\alpha \to \beta \to \alpha) \to \alpha \to [\beta] \to \alpha$$

*foldl* :: *Iso* 
$$(\alpha, \beta)$$
  $\alpha \rightarrow$  *Iso*  $(\alpha, [\beta])$   $\alpha$ 

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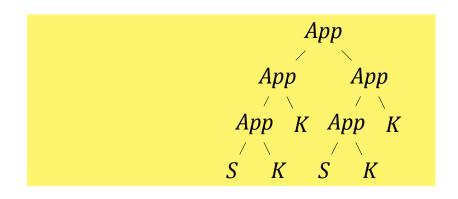
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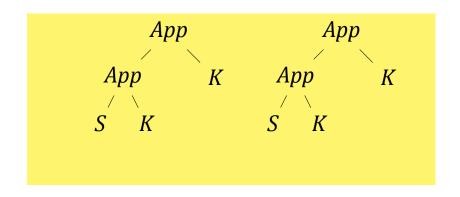
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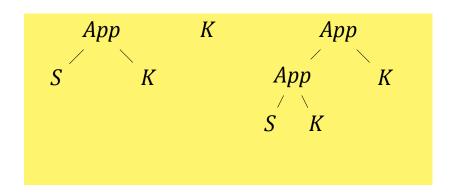
▶ inverse foldl is unfoldl!

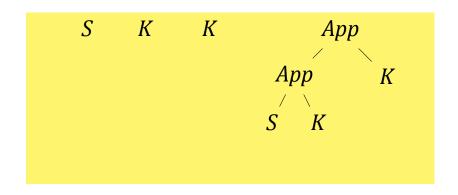
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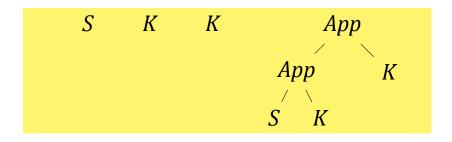


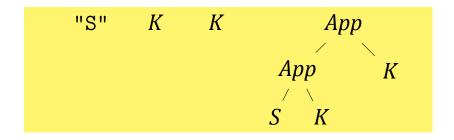


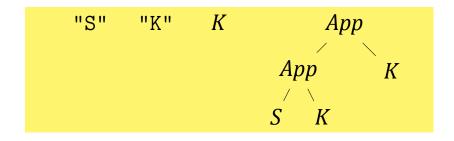


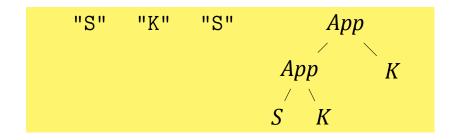
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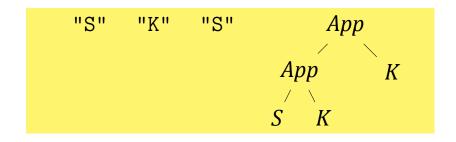




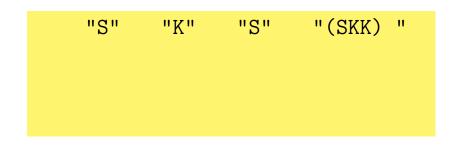
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## In the paper

- Proof-of-concept Implementation
- Algebra of Partial Isomorphisms
- Operator Priorities
- Derivation of foldl
- Related Work
- Full Code

#### **Future Work**

- Syntax instances for existing libraries
- Larger case-study
- proof-carrying partial isomorphisms
- proof of round-trip property

#### Haskell wish list

- Better support for *Category* (*Functor* etc. between different categories)
- Arrow notation for nearly-arrows (no  $arr :: (\alpha \rightarrow \beta) \rightarrow (Iso \alpha \beta)$ )
- Generic isomorphisms for constructors

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#### Thank you!

▶ Entry point

```
foldl :: Iso (\alpha, \beta) \alpha \to Iso (\alpha, [\beta]) \alpha foldl i = inverse unit

• (id \times inverse \ nil)

• iterate \ (step \ i)
```

Invertible step function

Exchange top-level i and cons

Iteration of partial isomorphisms

```
iterate :: Iso \alpha \alpha \to Iso \alpha \alpha
iterate step = Iso f g where
f = Just \circ driver (apply step)
g = Just \circ driver (unapply step)
```

Iteration of partial functions

```
driver :: (\alpha \rightarrow Maybe \ \alpha) \rightarrow (\alpha \rightarrow \alpha)
driver step state
= case step state of
Just state' \rightarrow driver step state'
Nothing \rightarrow state
```

## Type classes

```
class IsoFunctor f where
    (\$) :: Iso \ \alpha \ \beta \rightarrow (f \ \alpha \rightarrow f \ \beta)
class Alternative f where
    (\langle \rangle) :: f \alpha \to f \alpha \to f \alpha
   empty :: f \alpha
class ProductFunctor f where
    (\langle * \rangle) :: f \alpha \to f \beta \to f (\alpha, \beta)
```

## Type classes

```
class ( IsoFunctor \delta,

ProductFunctor \delta,

Alternative \delta)

\Rightarrow Syntax \delta where

pure :: Eq \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow \delta \alpha

token :: \delta Char
```

```
newtype Parser \alpha
= Parser (String \rightarrow [(\alpha, String)])
parse :: Parser \alpha \rightarrow String \rightarrow [\alpha]
parse (Parser p) s = [x \mid (x, "") \leftarrow p s]
```

## instance IsoFunctor Parser where $iso \$ Parser p $= Parser (\lambda s \rightarrow [ (y, s') \\ | (x, s') \leftarrow p s \\ , Just y \leftarrow [apply iso x]])$

# instance ProductFunctor Parser where Parser $p \stackrel{*}{\Leftrightarrow} Parser q$ = Parser $(\lambda s \rightarrow [((x,y),s'') + (x,s') \leftarrow p s + (y,s'') \leftarrow q s'])$

```
instance Alternative Parser where

Parser p \diamondsuit Parser q

= Parser (\lambda s \rightarrow p \ s + q \ s)

empty = Parser (\lambda s \rightarrow [])
```

```
instance Syntax Parser where

pure x = Parser (\lambda s \rightarrow [(x,s)])

token = Parser f where

f[] = []

f(t:ts) = [(t,ts)]
```

```
newtype Printer \alpha = Printer \ (\alpha \rightarrow Maybe String)
print :: Printer \alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow Maybe String
print (Printer p) x = p x
```

```
instance IsoFunctor Printer where

iso \$ Printer p

= Printer (\lambda b \rightarrow unapply iso b \gg p)
```

```
instance ProductFunctor Printer where

Printer p \stackrel{*}{\Leftrightarrow} Printer q

= Printer (\lambda(x,y) \rightarrow liftM2 (+) (p x) (q y))
```

```
instance Alternative Printer where
Printer \ p \bigoplus Printer \ q
= Printer \ (\lambda s \rightarrow mplus \ (p \ s) \ (q \ s))
empty = Printer \ (\lambda s \rightarrow Nothing)
```

```
instance Syntax Printer where

pure \ x = Printer \ (\lambda y \to if \ x \equiv y

then Just ""

else Nothing)

token = Printer \ (\lambda t \to Just \ [t])
```