

Introduction to Dependent Types

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Quick Question

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Honestly though, it's because they're way over my head :(

() There was another mini joke here. . .*

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It's not truly dependent, but we can do more and more with each language extension that comes along.

For the examples, there also will be loose translation to imperative/OOP; though please keep in mind that they are not the same thing at all.

Test

Syntax highlighting test reference, to be removed later.

```
-- Comment
data Maybe a = Nothing | Just a
               deriving (Show, Eq)

fmap :: Functor f => (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
map _ []          = []
map f (x:xs) = f x : map f xs

type family TF a :: *
type instance TF Int = Bool
```

Test

Couldn't quite yet get listing to work with overlay yet.

```
{- block comment -}  
foo :: Bool -> Int -> String  
foo False 0 = "Bad"  
foo True 0 = "Questionable"  
foo False n = "Fake"  
foo True n = "Read"
```


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"abc" :: String ~ [Char]
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Values are also called **Terms**

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- Rest can be user defined: `Bool`, `String`, `Maybe`

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Here, `Bool` is the `Type` constructor, `True` and `False` are `Value` constructors.

Does this remind you of anything?

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enum Bool { False, True }
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A very loose translation (assuming capitalization implies constructor):

```
class Maybe<T> {
  Nothing() {},
  Just(T t) {...}
}
```

Product Types

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Phantom Types

Language Extension - GADTs

Type Synonyms

Functions

Higher-order Functions

Questions?