

Implementing the IO Monad

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<https://github.com/hermannhueck/implementing-io-monad>

Abstract

My implementation of the IO Monad is just a feasibility study, not production code.

When coding this impl I was very much inspired by Monix *Task* which I studied at that time.

The API of my IO is very similar to the basics of Monix *Task*. The implementation also helped me to understand the IO Monad (of *cats-effect*) and Monix *Task* (which itself is an impl of the IO Monad).

Interop with *Future* is also supported. You can convert *IO* to a *Future*. Vice versa you can convert a *Future* to an *IO*.

The development of my impl can be followed step by step in the files in package *iomonad*.

Agenda

1. Referential Transparency
2. Is Future referentially transparent?
3. The IO Monad
4. Resources

1. Referential Transparency

Referential Transparency

An expression is called referentially transparent if it can be replaced with its corresponding value without changing the program's behavior.

This requires that the expression is *pure*, that is to say the expression value must be the same for the same inputs and its evaluation must have *no side effects*.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Referential_transparency

Referential Transparency Benefits

- (Equational) Reasoning about code
- Refactoring is easier
- Testing is easier
- Separate pure code from impure code
- Potential compiler optimizations (more in Haskell than in Scala)
(e.g. memoization, parallelisation, compute expressions at compile time)

"What Referential Transparency can do for you"

Talk by Luka Jacobowitz at ScalaIO 2017

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-cEGEJMx_4

func is not referentially transparent!

```
def func(ioa1: Unit, ioa2: Unit): Unit = {  
  ioa1  
  ioa2  
}  
  
func(println("hi"), println("hi"))      // prints "hi" twice  
//=> hi  
//=> hi  
  
println("-----")  
  
val x: Unit = println("hi")  
func(x, x)                             // prints "hi" once  
//=> hi
```

func is referentially transparent!

```
def putStrLn(line: String): IO[Unit] =
  IO.eval { println(line) }

def func(ioa1: IO[Unit], ioa2: IO[Unit]): IO[Unit] =
  for {
    _ <- ioa1
    _ <- ioa2
  } yield ()

func(putStrLn("hi"), putStrLn("hi")).run() // prints "hi" twice
//=> hi
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println("-----")

val x: IO[Unit] = putStrLn("hi")
func(x, x).run() // prints "hi" twice
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2. Is *Future* referentially
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  val atomicInt = new AtomicInteger(0)  
  val future: Future[Int] = Future { atomicInt.incrementAndGet }  
  for {  
    x <- future  
    y <- future  
  } yield (x, y)  
}  
  
future1 onComplete println      // Success((1,1))
```

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// same as future1, but inlined  
val future2: Future[(Int, Int)] = {  
  val atomicInt = new AtomicInteger(0)  
  for {  
    x <- Future { atomicInt.incrementAndGet }  
    y <- Future { atomicInt.incrementAndGet }  
  } yield (x, y)  
}  
  
future2 onComplete println      // Success((1,2))    <-- not the same result
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  val task: Task[Int] = Task { atomicInt.incrementAndGet }  
  for {  
    x <- task  
    y <- task  
  } yield (x, y)  
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task1 runAsync println      // Success((1,2))
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3. The IO Monad

1. Impure IO Program with side effects

```
// impure program
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- Whenever a method or a function returns *Unit* it is **impure** (or it is a noop). Its intension is to produce a side effect.
- A **pure** function always returns a value of some type (and doesn't produce a side effect inside).

2. Pure IO Program without side effects

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// pure program
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- Make the program a function returning *Unit: Function0[Unit]*
- Free of side effects in its definition
- Produces side effects only when run (at the end of the world)
- *program* can be a val (if no parameters are passed to it)

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- `IO[A]` wraps a `Function0[A]` in a case class.
- This is useful to implement further extensions on that case class.

4. *IO#map* and *IO#flatMap*

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  def flatMap[B](f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = IO { () => f(run()).run() }  
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- With *map* and *flatMap* *IO[A]* is monadic (but it is not yet a Monad).
- *IO* is ready for for-comprehensions.
- This allows the composition of programs from smaller components.

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}  
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- *IO.pure* is eager and accepts a pure value.
- *IO.eval* is lazy and accepts a computation.
- *map* can be written in terms of *flatMap* and *pure*.

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What is to come?

- Sync and async run methods
- Make case class an ADT
- More smart constructors
- Monad instance for *IO*
- Create *IO* from *Try*, *Either*, *Future*

6. Sync run* methods

```
case class IO[A](run: () => A) {  
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```

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val value: Unit = program.run()           // ()  
val tryy: Try[Unit] = program.runToTry     // Success(())  
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- *run* may throw an exception.
- *runToTry* and *runToEither* avoid that.

7. Other example: Authenticate Maggie

```
def authenticate(username: String, password: String): IO[Boolean] = ???  
  
val checkMaggie: IO[Boolean] = authenticate("maggie", "maggie-pw")  
  
// running checkMaggie synchronously ...  
  
val value: Boolean = checkMaggie.run()  
// true  
  
val tryy: Try[Boolean] = checkMaggie.runToTry  
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val either: Either[Throwable, Boolean] = checkMaggie.runToEither  
// Right(true)
```

- The previous example was interactive ... not well suited for async IO.

8. Async run* methods

```
case class IO[A](run: () => A) {  
  def runToFuture(implicit ec: ExecutionContext): Future[A] =  
    Future { run() }  
  
  def runOnComplete(callback: Try[A] => Unit)  
    (implicit ec: ExecutionContext): Unit =  
    runToFuture onComplete callback  
  
  def runAsync(callback: Either[Throwable, A] => Unit)  
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- All async run* methods take an implicit EC.
- Unlike *Future* the EC is not needed to create an *IO*, only to run it.

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implicit val ec: ExecutionContext = ExecutionContext.global  
val future: Future[Boolean] = checkMaggie.runToFuture  
future onComplete tryCallback //=> true  
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```
def tryCallback[A]: Try[A] => Unit = tryy =>  
  println(tryy.fold(ex => ex.toString, value => value.toString))  
  
def eitherCallback[A]: Either[Throwable, A] => Unit = either =>  
  println(either.fold(ex => ex.toString, value => value.toString))
```

9. Async method *foreach*

```
case class IO[A](run: () => A) {  
  def foreach(f: A => Unit)(implicit ec: ExecutionContext): Unit =  
    runAsync {  
      case Left(ex) => ec.reportFailure(ex)  
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authenticate("maggie", "maggie-pw") foreach println //=> true  
authenticate("maggieXXX", "maggie-pw") foreach println //=> false  
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- *foreach* runs asynchronously.
- It takes a callback for the successful result value.
- *foreach* swallows exceptions. Prefer *runAsync*!

10. ADT *IO*

```
sealed trait IO[+A] {  
  protected def run(): A  
}  
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class Pure[A](thunk: () => A) extends IO[A] {  
    override def run(): A = thunk()  
  }  
  private case class Eval[A](thunk: () => A) extends IO[A] {  
    override def run(): A = thunk()  
  }  
  
  def pure[A](a: A): IO[A] = Pure { () => a }  
  def now[A](a: A): IO[A] = pure(a)  
  
  def eval[A](a: => A): IO[A] = Eval { () => a }  
  def delay[A](a: => A): IO[A] = eval(a)  
  def apply[A](a: => A): IO[A] = eval(a)  
}
```

10. ADT *IO*

```
sealed trait IO[+A] {  
  protected def run(): A  
}  
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class Pure[A](thunk: () => A) extends IO[A] {  
    override def run(): A = thunk()  
  }  
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    override def run(): A = thunk()  
  }  
  
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  def apply[A](a: => A): IO[A] = eval(a)  
}
```

- *IO.apply* is an alias for *IO.eval*. (Simplifies the creation of *IO* instances.)
- The app works as before.

11. *IO.raiseError*

```
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class Error[A](exception: Throwable) extends IO[A] {  
    override def run(): A = throw exception  
  }  
  
  def raiseError[A](exception: Exception): IO[A] = Error[A](exception)  
  // analogous to Future.failed  
  def failed[A](exception: Exception): IO[A] = raiseError(exception)  
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  // analogous to Future.failed  
  def failed[A](exception: Exception): IO[A] = raiseError(exception)  
}
```

- ADT sub type *Error* wraps a *Throwable*.

```
val ioError: IO[Int] = IO.raiseError[Int](  
    new IllegalStateException("illegal state"))  
println(ioError.runToEither)  
//=> Left(java.lang.IllegalStateException: illegal state)
```

12. *IO#failed* (returns a failed projection).

```
sealed trait IO[+A] {  
  def failed: IO[Throwable] = Failed(this)  
}  
  
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class Failed[A](io: IO[A]) extends IO[Throwable] {  
    override def run(): Throwable = try {  
      io.run()  
      throw new NoSuchElementException("failed")  
    } catch {  
      case nse: NoSuchElementException if nse.getMessage == "failed" =>  
        throw nse  
      case throwable: Throwable =>  
        throwable  
    }  
  }  
}
```

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sealed trait IO[+A] {  
  def failed: IO[Throwable] = Failed(this)  
}  
  
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class Failed[A](io: IO[A]) extends IO[Throwable] {  
    override def run(): Throwable = try {  
      io.run()  
      throw new NoSuchElementException("failed")  
    } catch {  
      case nse: NoSuchElementException if nse.getMessage == "failed" =>  
        throw nse  
      case throwable: Throwable =>  
        throwable  
    }  
  }  
}
```

- ADT sub type *Failed* wraps the *IO* to project.

Using *IO#failed*

```
val ioError: IO[Int] = IO.raiseError[Int](  
    new IllegalStateException("illegal state"))  
println(ioError.runToEither)  
//=> Left(java.lang.IllegalStateException: illegal state)  
  
val failed: IO[Throwable] = ioError.failed  
println(failed.runToEither)  
//=> Right(java.lang.IllegalStateException: illegal state)  
  
val ioSuccess = IO.pure(5)  
println(ioSuccess.runToEither)  
//=> Right(5)  
  
println(ioSuccess.failed.runToEither)  
//=> Left(java.util.NoSuchElementException: failed)
```

Using *IO#failed*

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    new IllegalStateException("illegal state"))
println(ioError.runToEither)
//=> Left(java.lang.IllegalStateException: illegal state)

val failed: IO[Throwable] = ioError.failed
println(failed.runToEither)
//=> Right(java.lang.IllegalStateException: illegal state)

val ioSuccess = IO.pure(5)
println(ioSuccess.runToEither)
//=> Right(5)

println(ioSuccess.failed.runToEither)
//=> Left(java.util.NoSuchElementException: failed)
```

The failed projection is an *IO* holding a value of type *Throwable*, emitting the error yielded by the source, in case the source fails, otherwise if the source succeeds the result will fail with a *NoSuchElementException*.

13. Other example: pure computations

```
def sumIO(from: Int, to: Int): IO[Int] =  
  IO { sumOfRange(from, to) }  
  
def fibonacciIO(num: Int): IO[BigInt] =  
  IO { fibonacci(num) }  
  
def factorialIO(num: Int): IO[BigInt] =  
  IO { factorial(num) }  
  
def computeIO(from: Int, to: Int): IO[BigInt] =  
  for {  
    x <- sumIO(from, to)  
    y <- fibonacciIO(x)  
    z <- factorialIO(y.intValue)  
  } yield z  
  
val io: IO[BigInt] = computeIO(1, 4)  
  
implicit val ec: ExecutionContext = ExecutionContext.global  
io foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") }  
//=> 6227020800
```

14. Monad instance for *IO*

```
sealed trait IO[+A] {  
  def flatMap[B](f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = IO { f(run()).run() }  
  def map[B](f: A => B): IO[B] = flatMap(a => pure(f(a)))  
}  
  
object IO {  
  implicit val ioMonad: Monad[IO] = new Monad[IO] {  
    override def pure[A](value: A): IO[A] = IO.pure(value)  
    override def flatMap[A, B](fa: IO[A])(f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = fa flatMap f  
  }  
}
```

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  implicit val ioMonad: Monad[IO] = new Monad[IO] {  
    override def pure[A](value: A): IO[A] = IO.pure(value)  
    override def flatMap[A, B](fa: IO[A])(f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = fa flatMap f  
  }  
}
```

- Monad instance defined in companion object (implicit scope)

Computations that abstract over HKT: $F[_]: \text{Monad}$

```
import scala.language.higherKinds
import cats.syntax.flatMap._
import cats.syntax.functor._

def sumF[F[_]: Monad](from: Int, to: Int): F[Int] =
  Monad[F].pure { sumOfRange(from, to) }

def fibonacciF[F[_]: Monad](num: Int): F[BigInt] =
  Monad[F].pure { fibonacci(num) }

def factorialF[F[_]: Monad](num: Int): F[BigInt] =
  Monad[F].pure { factorial(num) }

def computeF[F[_]: Monad](from: Int, to: Int): F[BigInt] =
  for {
    x <- sumF(from, to)
    y <- fibonacciF(x)
    z <- factorialF(y.intValue)
  } yield z
```

- This code can be used with *IO* or any other Monad.

- Reify $F[_]$: *Monad* with *IO*

```
import scala.concurrent.ExecutionContext.Implicits.global

val io: IO[BigInt] = computeF[IO](1, 4)
io foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") }           //=> 6227020800
```

- Reify $F[_]$: *Monad* with *IO*

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io foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") }           //=> 6227020800
```

- Reify $F[_]$: *Monad* with *cats.Id*

```
val result: cats.Id[BigInt] = computeF[cats.Id](1, 4)
println(s"result = $result")                                   //=> 6227020800
```


- Reify $F[_] : \text{Monad}$ with *IO*

```
import scala.concurrent.ExecutionContext.Implicits.global

val io: IO[BigInt] = computeF[IO](1, 4)
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```

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println(s"result = $result") //=> 6227020800
```

- Reify $F[_] : \text{Monad}$ with *Option*

```
import cats.instances.option._

val maybeResult: Option[BigInt] = computeF[Option](1, 4)
maybeResult foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") } //=> 6227020800
```

- Reify $F[_] : \text{Monad}$ with *IO*

```
import scala.concurrent.ExecutionContext.Implicits.global

val io: IO[BigInt] = computeF[IO](1, 4)
io foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") } //=> 6227020800
```

- Reify $F[_] : \text{Monad}$ with *cats.Id*

```
val result: cats.Id[BigInt] = computeF[cats.Id](1, 4)
println(s"result = $result") //=> 6227020800
```

- Reify $F[_] : \text{Monad}$ with *Option*

```
import cats.instances.option._

val maybeResult: Option[BigInt] = computeF[Option](1, 4)
maybeResult foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") } //=> 6227020800
```

- Reify $F[_] : \text{Monad}$ with *Future*

```
import scala.concurrent.{Future, ExecutionContext}
import ExecutionContext.Implicits.global
import cats.instances.future._

val future: Future[BigInt] = computeF[Future](1, 4)
future foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") } //=> 6227020800
```

15. *IO.defer* and *IO.suspend*

```
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class Suspend[A](thunk: () => IO[A]) extends IO[A] {  
    override def run(): A = thunk().run()  
  }  
  
  def suspend[A](ioa: => IO[A]): IO[A] = Suspend(() => ioa)  
  def defer[A](ioa: => IO[A]): IO[A] = suspend(ioa)  
}
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  }  
  
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  def defer[A](ioa: => IO[A]): IO[A] = suspend(ioa)  
}
```

- These methods defer the (possibly immediate) side effect of the inner *IO*.
- ADT sub type *Suspend* wraps another *IO*.

Using *IO.defer*

IO.pure(...) *// without IO.defer*

```
val io1 = IO.pure { println("immediate side effect"); 5 }  
//=> immediate side effect  
Thread sleep 2000L  
io1 foreach println  
//=> 5
```

Using *IO.defer*

IO.pure(...) // without *IO.defer*

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val io1 = IO.pure { println("immediate side effect"); 5 }  
//=> immediate side effect  
Thread sleep 2000L  
io1 foreach println  
//=> 5
```

IO.defer(IO.pure(...))

```
val io2 = IO.defer { IO.pure { println("deferred side effect"); 5 } }  
Thread sleep 2000L  
io2 foreach println  
//=> deferred side effect  
//=> 5
```

16. ADT sub type *FlatMap*

```
sealed trait IO[+A] {  
  def flatMap[B](f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = FlatMap(this, f)  
  def map[B](f: A => B): IO[B] = flatMap(a => pure(f(a)))  
}  
  
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class FlatMap[A, B](src: IO[A], f: A => IO[B]) extends IO[B] {  
    override def run(): B = f(src.run()).run()  
  }  
}
```

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}  
  
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class FlatMap[A, B](src: IO[A], f: A => IO[B]) extends IO[B] {  
    override def run(): B = f(src.run()).run()  
  }  
}
```

- The app (checkMaggie) works as before.
- We gained stack-safety by trampolining. (*FlatMap* is a heap object.)

17. *IO.fromTry* and *IO.fromEither*

```
object IO {  
  def fromTry[A](tryy: Try[A]): IO[A] = IO {  
    tryy match {  
      case Failure(throwable) => throw throwable  
      case Success(value) => value  
    }  
  }  
  
  def fromEither[A](either: Either[Throwable, A]): IO[A] = IO {  
    either match {  
      case Left(throwable) => throw throwable  
      case Right(value) => value  
    }  
  }  
}
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  }  
  
  def fromEither[A](either: Either[Throwable, A]): IO[A] = IO {  
    either match {  
      case Left(throwable) => throw throwable  
      case Right(value) => value  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
val tryy: Try[Seq[User]] = Try { User.getUsers }  
val io1: IO[Seq[User]] = IO.fromTry(tryy)  
  
val either: Either[Throwable, Seq[User]] = tryy.toEither  
val io2: IO[Seq[User]] = IO.fromEither(either)
```

18. *IO.fromFuture*

```
object IO {  
  // ADT sub types  
  private case class FromFuture[A](fa: Future[A]) extends IO[A] {  
    override def run(): A = Await.result(fa, Duration.Inf) // BLOCKING!!!  
  }  
  
  def fromFuture[A](future: Future[A]): IO[A] = FromFuture(future)  
}
```

18. *IO.fromFuture*

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  }  
  
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}
```

- Attention: The implementation of *fromFuture* is a bit simplistic.
- Waiting for the *Future* to complete might block a thread!

Using *IO.fromFuture*

```
def futureGetUsers(implicit ec: ExecutionContext): Future[Seq[User]] =  
  Future {  
    println("side effect")  
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```
implicit val ec: ExecutionContext = ExecutionContext.global  
  
val io = IO.fromFuture { futureGetUsers }  
  
io foreach { users => users foreach println } //=> "side effect"  
io foreach { users => users foreach println }
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- *IO.defer(IO.fromFuture(f))* is lazy.

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val io = IO.defer { IO.fromFuture { futureGetUsers } }  
  
io foreach { users => users foreach println } //=> "side effect"  
io foreach { users => users foreach println } //=> "side effect"
```

19. *IO.deferFuture*

```
object IO {  
  def deferFuture[A](fa: => Future[A]): IO[A] =  
    defer(IO.fromFuture(fa))  
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- *IO.deferFuture(f)* is an alias for *IO.defer(IO.fromFuture(f))*.
- An *ExecutionContext* is still required to create the *Future*!

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io foreach { users => users foreach println } //=> "side effect"
```

- *IO.deferFuture(f)* is a shortcut for that.

```
implicit val ec: ExecutionContext = ExecutionContext.global  
  
val io = IO.deferFuture { futureGetUsers }  
  
io foreach { users => users foreach println } //=> "side effect"  
io foreach { users => users foreach println } //=> "side effect"
```

4. Resources

Resources

- Code and Slides of this Talk:
<https://github.com/hermannhueck/implementing-io-monad>
- Code and Slides for my Talk on: Future vs. Monix Task
<https://github.com/hermannhueck/future-vs-monix-task>
- Monix Task 3.x Documentation (for comparison with IO)
<https://monix.io/docs/3x/eval/task.html>
- Monix Task 3.x API Documentation (for comparison with IO)
<https://monix.io/api/3.0/monix/eval/Task.html>
- Best Practice: "Should Not Block Threads"
<https://monix.io/docs/3x/best-practices/blocking.html>
- What Referential Transparency can do for you
Talk by Luka Jacobowitz at ScalaIO 2017
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-cEGEJMx_4

Thanks for Listening

Q & A

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