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 IO impl I was very much inspired by *cats.effect.IO* and *monix.eval.Task* which I studied at that time. Both are implementions of the IO Monad.

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

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 <u>pure</u>, that is to say the expression value must be the same for the same inputs and its evaluation must have <u>no side effects</u>.

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)
//=> hi
// prints "hi" once
```

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2. Is *Future* referentially transparent?

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```
val future1: Future[(Int, Int)] = {
  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))</pre>
```

```
// 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)
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future2 onComplete println // Success((1,2)) <-- not the same result</pre>
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Is Monix *Task* referentially transparent?

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  val task: Task[Int] = Task { atomicInt.incrementAndGet }
  for {
     x <- task
     y <- task
     } yield (x, y)
}
task1 runAsync println  // Success((1,2))</pre>
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3. The IO Monad

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- Whenever a method or a function returns *Unit* it is *impure* (or it is a noop). It's 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).

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- Make the program a function returning *Unit: Function0[Unit]*
- Free of side effects in it's 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.

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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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  def flatMap[B](f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = IO { () => f(run()).run() }
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  def flatten[B](implicit ev: A <:< IO[B]): IO[B] = flatMap(a => a)
}
object IO {
  def pure[A](value: A): IO[A] = IO { () => value } // eager
  def eval[A](thunk: => A): IO[A] = IO { () => thunk } // lazy
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val program: IO[Unit] = for {
  welcome <- IO.pure("Welcome to Scala!")
    _ <- IO.eval { print(s"$welcome What's your name? ") }
  name <- IO.eval { scala.io.StdIn.readLine } // simpler with IO.eval
    _ <- IO.eval { println(s"Well hello, $name!") }
} yield ()</pre>
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- *IO.pure* is <u>eager</u> and accepts a pure value.
- *IO.eval* is <u>lazy</u> and accepts a computation.
- *map* can be written in terms of *flatMap* and *pure*.

6. ADT *10*

```
sealed trait IO[+A] {
  def run(): A
 def flatMap[B](f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = IO { f(run()).run() }
 def map[B](f: A \Rightarrow B): IO[B] = flatMap(a \Rightarrow pure(f(a)))
object IO {
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  private case class Pure[A](thunk: () => A) extends IO[A] {
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- *IO.apply* is an alias for *IO.eval*. (Simplifies the creation of *IO* instances.)
- The app works as before.

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- We gained stack-safety by trampolining. (*FlatMap* is a heap object.)
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What is to come?

- Sync and async run methods
- More smart constructors
- Monad instance for IO
- Create IO from Try, Either, Future
- *MonadError* instance for *IO* (*IO.raiseError*, *IO#handleErrorWith*)
- *Bracket* instance for *IO* (*IO#bracket*)
- *Sync* instance for *IO* (*IO*.delay)

8. Sync run* methods

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case class IO[A](run: () => A) {
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- *run* may throw an exception.
- runToTry and runToEither avoid that.

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

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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
checkMaggie runOnComplete trvCallback
                                                           //=> true
checkMaggie runAsync eitherCallback
                                                           //=> true
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))
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11. Async method *foreach*

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

  def foreach(f: A => Unit)(implicit ec: ExecutionContext): Unit =
    runAsync {
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authenticate("maggie", "maggie-pw") foreach println  //=> true
authenticate("maggieXXX", "maggie-pw") foreach println  //=> false
authenticate("maggie", "maggie-pwXXX") foreach println  //=> false
```

- *foreach* runs asynchronously.
- It takes a callback for the successful result value.
- *foreach* swallows exceptions. Prefer *runAsync*!

12. *IO.raiseError*

```
object IO {
   // ADT sub types
   private case class Error[A](exception: Throwable) extends IO[A] {
     override def run(): A = throw exception
   }

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

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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*.

14. 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)</pre>
    v <- fibonacciIO(x)</pre>
    z <- factorialIO(y.intValue)</pre>
 } vield z
val io: IO[BigInt] = computeIO(1, 4)
implicit val ec: ExecutionContext = ExecutionContext.global
io foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") }
//=> 6227020800
```

15. Monad instance for *10*

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sealed trait IO[+A] {
    def flatMap[B](f: A => IO[B]): IO[B] = FlatMap(this, f)
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object IO {
    def pure[A](a: A): IO[A] = Pure { () => a }
    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
    }
}
```

15. Monad instance for *10*

```
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 {

  def pure[A](a: A): IO[A] = Pure { () => a }

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}
}
```

• Monad instance defined in companion object (implicit scope)

Computations that abstract over HKT: F[_]: 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</pre>
```

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

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

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• Reify F[_]: 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[_]: Monad with IO

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

val io: IO[BigInt] = computeF[I0](1, 4)
io foreach { result => println(s"result = $result") } //=> 6227020800
```

Reify F[_]: Monad with cats.Id

• Reify *F*[_] : *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[_]: 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
```

16. *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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```

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

Using *10.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
```

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```

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

```
val io2 = I0.defer { I0.pure { println("deferred side effect"); 5 } }
Thread sleep 2000L
io2 foreach println
//=> deferred side effect
//=> 5
```

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

```
object IO {
  def fromTry[A](tryy: Try[A]): IO[A] =
      tryy.fold(IO.raiseError, IO.pure)

  def fromEither[A](either: Either[Throwable, A]): IO[A] =
      either.fold(IO.raiseError, IO.pure)
}
```

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}
```

```
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)
}
```

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}
```

- <u>Attention</u>: The implementation of *fromFuture* is a bit simplistic.
- Waiting for the *Future* to complete might <u>block a thread!</u>
- (A solution of this problem would require a redesign of my simple IO Monad, which doesn't support non-blocking async computations.)

Using *IO.fromFuture*

```
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val io = IO.fromFuture { futureGetUsers }

io foreach { users => users foreach println } //=> "side effect"
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• *IO.defer(IO.fromFuture(f))* is <u>lazy</u>.

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19. *IO.deferFuture*

```
object IO {
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    defer(IO.fromFuture(fa))
}
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    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.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

ABQ

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