Ocaml piscine - D04

OCaml's modules language

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Chapter I

Foreword

About dildos, according to Wikipedia:

A dildo is a device designed for vaginal or anal penetration, usually solid and phallic in shape. Some expand this definition to include vibrators. Others exclude penis prosthetic aids, which are known as "extensions". Some include penis-shaped items clearly designed with vaginal penetration in mind even if they are not true approximations of a penis. Some people include devices designed for anal penetration (butt plugs) while others do not. These devices are often used by people of all genders and sexual orientations, for masturbation or for other sexual activity.

The etymology of the word dildo is unclear. The Oxford English Dictionary (OED) describes the word as being of "origin unknown". One theory is that it originally referred to the phallus-shaped peg used to lock an oar in position on a dory (small boat). It would be inserted into a hole on the side of the boat, and is very similar in shape to the modern toy. It is possible that the sex toy takes its name from this sailing tool, which also lends its name to the town of Dildo and the nearby Dildo Island in Newfoundland, Canada. Others suggest the word is a corruption of Italian diletto "delight". It has also been noted that the word dildo has similarity to "dill", a pickled cucumber, which is a vegetable that has been used as a natural dildo.

According to the OED, the word's first appearance in English was in Thomas Nashe's The Choice of Valentines or the Merie Ballad of Nash his Dildo (c. 1593). The word also appears in Ben Jonson's 1610 play, The Alchemist. William Shakespeare used the term once in The Winter's Tale, believed to be from 1610 or 1611, but not printed until the First Folio of 1623.

The phrase "Dil Doul", referring to a man's penis, appears in the 17th century folk ballad "The Maids Complaint for want of a Dil Doul". The song was among the many in the library of Samuel Pepys.

In some modern languages, the names for dildo can be more descriptive, creative or subtle—note, for instance, the Spanish consolador "consoler" and Welsh cala goeg "fake penis".

Figure I.1: A pair of dildos

Chapter II

Ocaml piscine, general rules

- Every output goes to the standard output, and will be ended by a newline, unless specified otherwise.

- The imposed filenames must be followed to the letter, as well as class names, function names and method names, etc.

- Unless otherwise explicitly stated, the keywords `open`, `for` and `while` are forbidden. Their use will be flagged as cheating, no questions asked.

- Turn-in directories are `ex00/`, `ex01/`, ..., `exn/`.

- You must read the examples thoroughly. They can contain requirements that are not obvious in the exercise's description.

- Since you are allowed to use the `OCaml` syntaxes you learned about since the beginning of the piscine, you are not allowed to use any additionnal syntaxes, modules and libraries unless explicitly stated otherwise.

- The exercices must be done in order. The graduation will stop at the first failed exercice. Yes, the old school way.

- Read each exercise FULLY before starting it ! Really, do it.

- The compiler to use is `ocamlopt`. When you are required to turn in a function, you must also include anything necessary to compile a full executable. That executable should display some tests that prove that you've done the exercice right.

- Remember that the special token `";;"` is only used to end an expression in the interpreter. Thus, it must never appear in any file you turn in. Anyway, the interpreter is a powerfull ally, learn to use it at its best as soon as possible !

- The subject can be modified up to 4h before the final turn-in time.

- In case you're wondering, no coding style is enforced during the `OCaml` piscine. You can use any style you like, no restrictions. But remember that a code your peer-

evaluator can't read is a code she or he can't grade. As usual, big fonctions is a weak style.

- You will NOT be graded by a program, unless explictly stated in the subject. Therefore, you are afforded a certain amount of freedom in how you choose to do the exercises. Anyway, some piscine day might explicitly cancel this rule, and you will have to respect directions and outputs perfectly.

- Only the requested files must be turned in and thus present on the repository during the peer-evaluation.

- Even if the subject of an exercise is short, it's worth spending some time on it to be absolutely sure you understand what's expected of you, and that you did it in the best possible way.

- By Odin, by Thor ! Use your brain !!!

Chapter III

Exercise 00: Cards colors

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Turn-in directory : *ex00/*	
Files to turn in : `Color.ml and main.ml`	
Allowed functions : `Nothing`	
Remarks : `n/a`	

Regular play cards fit nicely as a programming topic when dealing with modules and nested modules. Colors, values, cards and decks, all tied together in a smart design.

As a start, we need to represent cards colors, namely `spade`, `heart`, `diamond` and `club`, as an `OCaml` type and instrument that type with relevant values and functions.

Write the file `Color.ml` that respects the following interface:

```
type t = Spade | Heart | Diamond | Club

val all : t list                    (** The list of all values of type t *)

val toString       : t -> string              (** "S", "H", "D" or "C"  *)
val toStringVerbose : t -> string              (** "Spade", "Heart", etc *)
```

Provide some tests in the file `main.ml` to prove that your `Color` module works as intended.

Chapter IV

Exercise 01: Cards values

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Turn-in directory : *ex01/*	
Files to turn in : `Value.ml and main.ml`	
Allowed functions : `invalid_arg`	
Remarks : `n/a`	

We have colors, now we need values for our cards. Cards values form a total ordered set, we need a type to represent them, and values and functions to instrument that type. The card values of a regular 52 cards deck are 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, jack, queen, king and as.

Write the file `Value.ml` that respects the following interface:

```
type t = T2 | T3 | T4 | T5 | T6 | T7 | T8 | T9 | T10 | Jack | Queen | King | As

(** The list of all values of type t                          *)
val all : t list

(** Interger representation of a card value, from 1 for T2 to 13 for As    *)
val toInt          : t -> int

(** returns "2", ..., "10", "J", "Q", "K" or "A"              *)
val toString       : t -> string
(** returns "2", ..., "10", "Jack", "Queen", "King" or "As"   *)
val toStringVerbose : t -> string

(** Returns the next value, or calls invalid_arg if argument is As    *)
val next      : t -> t
(** Returns the previous value, or calls invalid_arg if argument is T2   *)
val previous  : t -> t
```

Provide some tests in the file `main.ml` to prove that your `Value` module works as intended.

Chapter V

Exercise 02: Cards

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Turn-in directory : *ex02/*	
Files to turn in : `Card.ml and main.ml`	
Allowed functions : `invalid_arg, Printf.sprintf and the List module`	
Remarks : `n/a`	

We have colors and values, now we can have cards ! Write the file `Card.ml` that respects the interface below. Several things to note regarding this interface:

- The `Card` module embeds the `Color` and `Value` modules. Just copy your previous code in the corresponding structures.

- The type `Card.t` is abstract. That means you're free to implement it as you want. Choose wisely, some solutions are better than otters. And otters are cute.

- All values' and functions' types and identifiers are self explainatory. Just read and use your brain, no tricks here.

- The function `toString :  t -> string` returns strings like: `"2S"`, `"10H"`, `"KD"`, ...

- The function `toStringVerbose :  t -> string` returns strings like: `"Card(7, Diamond)"`, `"Card(Jack, Club)"`, `"Card(As, Spade)"`, ...

- The function `compare :  t -> t -> int` behaves like the Pervasives `compare` function.

- The functions `max` and `min` return the first parameter if the two cards are equal.

- The function `best :  t list -> t` calls `invalid_arg` if the list is empty. If two or more cards are equal in value, return the first one. True coders use `List.fold_left` to do this function.

Provide some tests in the file `main.ml` to prove that your `Card`, `Card.Color` and `Card.Value` modules work as intended.

```
module Color :
sig

    type t = Spade | Heart | Diamond | Club

    val all : t list

    val toString        : t -> string
    val toStringVerbose : t -> string

end


module Value :
sig

    type t = T2 | T3 | T4 | T5 | T6 | T7 | T8 | T9 | T10 | Jack | Queen | King | As

    val all : t list

    val toInt          : t -> int
    val toString       : t -> string
    val toStringVerbose : t -> string

    val next      : t -> t
    val previous  : t -> t

end


type t

val newCard : Value.t -> Color.t -> t

val allSpades   : t list
val allHearts   : t list
val allDiamonds : t list
val allClubs    : t list
val all         : t list

val getValue : t -> Value.t
val getColor : t -> Color.t

val toString        : t -> string
val toStringVerbose : t -> string

val compare : t -> t -> int
val max     : t -> t -> t
val min     : t -> t -> t
val best    : t list -> t

val isOf       : t -> Color.t -> bool
val isSpade   : t -> bool
val isHeart   : t -> bool
val isDiamond : t -> bool
val isClub    : t -> bool
```

Chapter VI

Exercise 03: Deck

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Turn-in directory : *ex03/*	
Files to turn in : `Deck.mli`, `Deck.ml` and `main.ml`	
Allowed functions : `Allowed functions and modules from the previous exercices, plus raise and the Random module`	
Remarks : `n/a`	

We have cards, it's time to organize them in a deck represented by the `Deck` module. First write the interface for that module in the file `Deck.mli` according to the following statements:

- The `Deck` module embeds the `Card` module from the previous exercice.

- The `Deck` module exposes an **abstract** type `t` that represents a deck. Its definition is up to you.

- The `Deck` module exposes a function `newDeck` that takes no argument and returns a deck of the 52 cards (i.e. the type `t`) in **random** order. This means that upon two different calls to the function `newDeck`, the order of the deck will be different.

- The `Deck` module exposes a function `toStringList` that takes a deck as a parameter and returns a list of the string representations of each card.

- The `Deck` module exposes a function `toStringListVerbose` that takes a deck as a parameter and returns a list of the verbose string representations of each card.

- The `Deck` module exposes a function `drawCard` that takes a deck as a parameter and returns a couple composed of the first card of the deck and the rest of the deck. If the deck is empty, raise the exception `Failure` with a relevant error message.

Now implement the `Deck` module in the file `Deck.ml` according to its interface.

Provide some tests in the file `main.ml` to prove that your `Deck`, `Deck.Card`, `Deck.Card.Color` and `Deck.Card.Value` modules work as intended.