## **Preface**

This repo is my way of using the Feynman Technique to learn Purescript and its ecosystem.

Feynman used simple language, storytelling, comprehensively wrote down everything he knew about the topic, then attempted to teach it such that a child could understand it. Without jargon but with brevity, he identified what he didn't know to the audience and had his content organized.

## **Intended Audience**

The intended reader is one who has some background in programming, but no background in the Functional Programming paradigm. A reader should consult the summarized version of the Table of Contents below before determining what and how much to read.

If you want to understand why you should care about PureScript, read through the Why Learn PureScript page and **Philosophical Foundations** section, starting with Composition Everywhere.

If you want to learn PureScript, read the entire work from start to finish.

## **Overview and Scope of the Work**

All code in this work uses PureScript 0.15.13

This work was created so a reader can understand PureScript and how to use it properly from a deep foundational understanding. Most other resources will get you started quickly, but then you will get confused at some point along the way. This resource takes longer to get started, but you will either not be confused or be less confused when we get to more advanced topics (e.g. monad transformers, type-level programming, etc.)

This work does not cover how to use PureScript to do web-development. In other words, things like the following:

- how to use a PureScript single-page application (SPA) framework to build a frontend
- how to use a web server framework to build a backend
- how to do bundling and/or code-splitting effectively

• how to use HTML and CSS correctly, etc.

None of the above things need to be known to learn PureScript, but one will need to learn the above things outside of this work before they can build a great application via PureScript.

## **How to Read This Work**

This work is intended to be read in the following order:

- 1. Getting Started
- 2. FP Philosophical Foundations
- 3. Building Tools
- 4. Syntax
- 5. Hello World

The "Design Patterns" section should be read alongside of the "Syntax" and "Hello World" folders.

Check the issue tracker for any unresolved issues via the bug label.

## **Summarized Table of Contents**

There are currently 8 parts to this book. I summarize what is in each section below by showing the kinds of questions the section answers:

## • 00-Getting-Started:

- Why learn/use PureScript?
- o How do I set up an editor (using Atom)?
- Our How do I use the REPL?
- What other things should I know before starting my learning journey?

## • 01-Philosophical Foundations:

- What are some foundational ideas I need to understand before FP makes more sense?
- What is the "big idea" behind using FP languages?
- What are the drawbacks of using FP languages?

#### • 02-Build-Tools:

• Which tools do I use to compile and build my libraries/applications?

- What are the workflows behind using those tools?
- What other optional tools help me be more productive?

#### • 11-Syntax:

- How do I learn PureScript's syntax easily?
- What other compiler features exist syntactically?
- How do I read/write type-level programming?
- How does do notation and ado notation work?
- How does rebinding do notation and rebinding ado notation work?

#### • 21-Hello-World:

- How do I write a simple program?
- How do I debug a program?
- How do I write a complex program using modern FP architecture?
- How do I test a program?
- How do I benchmark a program or function within a program?
- What are some examples of simple and complex real-world projects?

#### • 31-Design Patterns:

- What are commonly-used patterns or idioms to solve problems in FP languages?
- What are other FP principles or concepts not explained in the "Hello World" part of this work?

## **Contributing**

Feel free to open a new issue for:

- Clarification on something you don't understand. If I don't know it yet and I'm interested, it'll force me to learn it
- A link to something you'd like me to research more. If I'm interested or see the value, I'll look into it and try to document it or explain the idea in a clear way
- Corrections for any mistakes or typos I've made
- Improvements to anything I've written thus far

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## **Versioning Policy**

The below versioning policy was created to abide by the following principles:

## **Principles**

#### • Indicate PS version:

 The release should indicate which major PureScript version is being used for the library. This helps one know whether the work is still up-to-date.

#### • Provide "stable" versions...:

- Readers of a given version should be able to read and bookmark files without worrying about those files/links breaking due to changes in its name (via renaming/reordering files, headers in files, etc.)
- Older versions should be available via git tag.

#### ...without restricting developer creativity:

 I should be able to continue writing new content and re-ordering things without concern

#### Load the latest release:

 This repo should show the latest release version of this project, not the one on which I'm working. In other words, the default branch should coincide with the last release.

## • Lessen maintenance as much as possible:

- There should only be two branches, latestRelease and development since a branch name like master is overloaded with connotations. Those who want to read older versions can checkout a tag.
- I currently will not hyperlink to other files within this project until either a 1.0.0
   release is made or I find a way to automate that.

## **Release Syntax and Explanation**

ps-[purescript's major release]-v[Major].[Minor].[Patch] Where

- purescript's major release means
  - $\circ$  Normally, this would be 1.x.x, but we don't yet have a 1.0 release yet. Thus, it is currently 0.13.x
  - x is a placeholder for the latest minor/patch release.
- major change means
  - a file/folder name has changed, so that bookmarks or links to that file/folder are

now broken

- files/folders have been modified, so that one is recommended to re-read the modified parts
- a dependency (e.g. PureScript, Spago, etc.) was updated to a breaking change release

### minor change means

- a file's contents have been modified/updated to such a degree that one is recommended to re-read the modified parts- Read through these links about learning:
- a file's header name has changed, so that bookmarks or links to that header/ section are now broken
- Spago was updated to a minor release

#### patch means

- o additional files/folders have been added without breaking links
- a file's contents have been modified/updated to a minor degree that one could re-read the modified parts but is not likely to benefit much from it.
- a file's contents have been slightly updated (typos, markdown rendering issues, etc.)

## **Getting Started**

This folder will cover the following topics:

- Why learn PureScript
- How to install Purescript
- Getting familiar with the REPL
- Other info you should know before working through the other folders in this project

## Why Learn PureScript?

All languages make tradeoffs in various areas and on various spectrums:

- learning curve
- abstractions
- syntax
- errors
- · type systems
- etc.

The question is "Which combination of tradeoffs provides the most benefits in prioritized areas?" "Good" languages happen to select specific tradeoffs that make the language well-suited for specific problems. For example, Python is well-suited for creating dirty one-time-run scripts to do tedious work on a computer. While Python can be used to create financial or medical applications that need to be extremely fast and secure, it would be better to use a different language that is better suited for such a task, such as Rust.

PureScript has chosen tradeoffs that its developers think are the best for creating simple to complex front-end applications that "just work;" that are easy to refactor, debug, and test; and help make developers more productive rather than less.

It can be said that other front-end languages buy "popularity" at the cost of "power and productivity." PureScript buys "power and productivity" at the cost of "popularity."

To fully answer "Why learn PureScript?" we must answer three other questions:

- Why one should use Javascript to build programs...
- ...but not write Javascript to build it...
- ...and write Purescript instead of alternatives

## Why one should use Javascript to build programs...

- The web browser is the new "dumb terminal" / platform-independent OS:
  - What can web do today?
- Why Founders Should Start With a Website, Not a Mobile App
- The points mentioned in this article: Learn Javascript in 2018

## ...but not write Javascript to build it...

- JavaScript is a Dysfunctional Programming Language
- Top 10 Things Wrong with JavaScript
- Why JavaScript Sucks

#### Some other ideas that are relevant:

- dynamic typing leads to errors that do not appear until after you have already shipped the code to your customers
- a linter is just a basic static type checker
- it is sometimes easier to write, read, and understand a 'safer language' that compiles to efficient Javascript than to write, read, and understand JavaScript itself (as the above articles show)

## ...and write Purescript instead of alternatives

#### TL;DR

- The Power of Composition
- Purescript: Tomorrow's Javascript Today
- Code Reuse in PureScript: Functions, Type Classes, and Interpreters
- Phil Freeman's post: 'Why You Should Use PureScript'
- PureScript's "Real World App"s
  - See the Halogen version of 'Real World App'
  - See the React version of 'Real World App'
- A Discourse pose describing some of the disadvantages of TypeScript and Elm when compared to PureScript

## **Language Comparisons**

For a full list of possible alternatives to JavaScript, see CoffeeScript's wiki's list of 'Languages that compile to JavaScript'

**Note**: the below comparisons are still a WIP. To fully support this claim, it would help to compare each languages' various "overall rating" on various aspects. Unfortunately, since I'm not familiar with every other language mentioned, it's very difficult for me to do that. If you are familiar with such languages, consider opening an issue on this repo and discussing it with me.

In short, the below comparison will be biased towards PureScript and will not yet fairly represent the corresponding side in some situations. Consider this a starting point for your own research.

## **PureScript vs TypeScript**

One of the main issues with JavaScript is a poor type system. Many errors aren't discovered until a person, usually a customer, runs the program. Many of these same errors could be detected and fixed before shipping code if one used a language with a better type system.

TypeScript seems to address this type safety issue. Just consider its name! However, a few people who are using PureScript now have said this about TypeScript: "You might as well be writing Javascript." TypeScript does not provide any real guarantees; it only pretends. PureScript does provide such guarantees.

- fp-ts 's Migration guide from PureScript to TypeScript. This is helpful for seeing 1)
  how much more TypeScript code it takes to implement the same feature in PureScript,
  and 2) how the resulting syntax IMO is of lesser quality and clarity than the
  corresponding PureScript code is.
- TypeScript vs PureScript: Not All Compilers Are Created Equal
- JavaScript, TypeScript, and PureScript or "Why TypeScript only 'pretends' to have types."
- Various examples comparing PureScript and TypeScript
- Experience Report: PureScript+Halogen > TypeScript+React
- A Guide on Migrating from TypeScript to PureScript

## PureScript vs Elm / Gren

Elm is a language founded on the similar philosophical foundations as PureScript. Gren is a fork of Elm by the community. Whichever one is used, one can gain many of the same benefits as PureScript due to its type safety. However, there is a ceiling on the abstractions one can express. PureScript's ceiling is much higher than Elm's because it has type classes.

#### Elm/Gren

- ... sacrifices the following features ...
  - o type classes, which
    - reduce boilerplate code since the compiler can write code for you
    - enable one to define and uphold constraints about their program (e.g. this sequence of commands must be executed in the correct order)
- ... to gain the following ...

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 clear actionable error messages because there are less ambiguous cases to deal with in the type system

Elm, Gren, and PureScript can both be used to build a complex website. However, one will need to write more lines of code in Elm or Gren than they would in PureScript.

## **PureScript vs OCaml / Reason**

This section has not yet been written.

## **PureScript vs GHCJS**

Haskell, which heavily influenced PureScript, has an option for compiling Haskell to JavaScript via GHCJS. However, that comes with its own tradeoffs. PureScript was developed partly because those tradeoffs were too costly.

See PS or ghcjs for Frontend with Haskell backend for my summary of the main issues at play here.

## The Strengths of PureScript

In this file, I'll cover what some of the tradeoffs PureScript makes are and why they are good. These ideas will be further explained in the "FP Philosophical Foundations" folder that appears later in this repository.

# Strongly Adheres to the Functional Programming Paradigm

- A Secret Weapon for Startups -- Functional Programming?
- Paradigm shifts, such as the one demonstrated by this video using C++, are what
  enable programs with less problems: Logging a function's name each time it is called:
  migrating an "object-oriented paradigm" solution to an "functional paradigm" solution.
  As will be explained later, this is what is known as the "Writer Monad."
- Object-oriented "design patterns" in FP languages are often just functions in disguise. Rather than learning the 20 different design patterns, one can learn how functions work and can be used to create really beautiful concepts and solutions.
- Functional Architecture: The Pits of Success. To summarize this video, FP languages force you to structure your code in a way that makes it:
  - easy to test in an unbiased way (Can I prove that the logic/algorithm that solves the business problem is correct and works according to the specification despite any programmer's laziness or lack of foresight in thinking of a possible scenario where the code could fail?)
  - easy to add/change/remove a "backend" to account for trends, new insights, or faster code (Without introducing a new bug or deleting a current feature, can I switch from Company A's database to Company B's database without rewriting more than 30 lines of code?)
  - unconcerning to allow a new developer to work on the code, knowing that he/she cannot screw up anything major (Can the Lead/Senior Developer take the weekend off and return, knowing that it's extraordinarily difficult for developers with little experience to break something?)

## **Powerful Static Type System**

 This video explains how a type system with algebraic data types comes with a number of benefits (note: it uses a different syntax than PureScript: Domain Modeling

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### Made Functional. To summarize it, algebraic data types

- o allow you to model a domain at a 1-to-1 ratio
- make impossible states impossible
- become your always-up-to-date UML diagrams
- make it easy for new developers to learn how the code is structured
- guide how business logic should be implemented
- The PureScript compiler infers most of your types for you. For those who are curious and want to understand how that works, see this video: Type Inference From Scratch
- The compiler (via its warning and error messages) is your friend, not your enemy. It
  - prevents you from releasing bug-filled code to a customer. (Can I guarantee that the code "just works" or cannot be built at all?)
  - forces you to handle most errors correctly the first time rather than permit you to throw them under the rug because you are lazy (Can I guarantee all possible errors will not create future problems that lead to short-term hard-to-understand code that rarely gets cleaned up and ultimately costs the company more time to fix than if it had just been written correctly the first time?)
  - helps you figure out how to implement functions correctly via "Typed Holes" (explained later in the Syntax folder)
- This video explains how a type system with type classes allow one to re-use "dumb old data structures" (i.e. algebraic data types) rather than create many new data structures that differ only one slight way: Type Classes vs the World. To summarize it, type classes
  - allow you to write declarative code ("this is what will be true") rather than imperative code ("this is how to make truth true (hopefully, you got it right)")
  - enables the compiler to infer runtime code

## **Immutable Persistent Data Structures by Default**

In PureScript, immutable data structures are the default rather than being "opt-in." In most other languages, mutable data structures are the default with immutable ones being "opt-in."

#### Immutable data structures are

- easier to reason about because the value never changes
- are always thread-safe, preventing many typical issues with concurrency
- can be as performant as mutable data structures in most cases

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## Multiple Backends with Easy Foreign Function Interface

Most languages have their own backend.

- Javascript is compiled and run via a Javascript engine.
- Java compiles to bytecode that can be run on a Java Virtual Machine.
- Python gets compiled into bytecode that is then interpreted.

PureScript does not have a backend. Rather, it's source code can be compiled to other languages. While JavaScript is the focus, PureScript compiles to other languages besides JavaScript. Thus, writing one library in PureScript can work in multiple languages, and one can choose the backend (or a combination of them) that best solves their problem.

Caveat: PureScript's support for non-Javascript backends is still a work-in-progress. In future releases, they will be getting first-class support.

This backend-independent nature of PureScript makes "Foreign Function Interface" very clean. At various times, Language X needs to use code from another language, Language Y. For code written in one language to use code written in another language, there needs to be a "Foreign Function Interface" or FFI.

Many languages' FFI can be difficult to work with. Language X made various language tradeoff decisions that are different than Language Y. Getting two languages to work together is difficult to say the least. However, PureScript's FFI is very easy because PureScript already compiles to that language.

If you are compiling PureScript to Javascript, you can still write JavaScript as FFI for PureScript. This makes it possible to wrap Javascript libraries on which you heavily depend. It also enables one to easily migrate from some other language or framework (e.g. TypeScript, Angular, etc.) to PureScript in a modular, piece-by-piece fashion

## **FAQs on PureScript**

I'll answer a few possible questions the below audiences may have:

- A developer who is already competent/productive in Javascript or a compile-to-Javascript language (e.g. Coffeescript, Typescript, etc.)
- A developer who is only starting to learn web technologies, but has heard that Javascript is horrible and is investigating other compile-to-Javascript languages.
- A business person who knows very little about programming or programming languages but who wants to know more about what options are available and what their pros/cons are.

These are the kinds of questions the above people might be asking:

- Cost-Benefit Issue: Is the price of the steep learning curve worth the benefits of using PureScript in code?
- Job Prospects Issue: If I learn PureScript, can I get a good developer job?
- When-to-Learn Issue: Should I learn PureScript now or wait until sometime later?
- Time-to-Productivity Issue: How long will it take me before I can write idiomatic code and be productive in PureScript?
- Opportunity Cost Issue: If I choose to learn PureScript, will I later regret not having spent that same time learning a different compile-to-Javascript language (e.g. TypeScript, CoffeeScript, etc.) or a "compile to WebAssembly"-capable language (e.g. Rust) instead?
- Ecosystem Issue: How mature is the Ecosystem? Will I need to initially spend time writing/improving/documenting libraries for this language or can I immediately use libraries that are stable and mature?
- Foreign Function Interface Issue: How hard it is to use another language's libraries via bindings?
- Program Tools Experience: How easy/pleasant is it to use the language's build tools (e.g. compiler, linter/type checker, dependency manager, etc.) and text editor tools (e.g. ease of setup, refactoring support, pop-up documentation, etc.)?
- Community Friendliness Issue: How friendly, helpful, responsive, inspiring, determined, and collaborative are the people who use and contribute to this language and its ecosystem?
- Code Migration Issue: What problems do developer teams typically encounter when migrating from Language X to PureScript and how hard are these to overcome?

Let's answer these one at a time. **Each answer is my opinion and could be backed up with better arguments and explanations in some areas.**.

# Is the price of the steep learning curve worth the benefits of using PureScript in code?

Yes. Most mainstream languages force you to depend on the IDE, linters, and other tools outside of the language to help you write correct code. Such languages often lack the features within the language itself to help you express certain ideas and constraints within your program. PureScript's powerful language features allow you to express what other languages cannot.

Even if one ultimately decides not to use PureScript, the language itself can be a helpful environment for training your mind to think more precisely about how to write code.

## If I learn PureScript, can I get a good developer job?

- See the community-curated list of companies who use PureScript in production right now.
- See Do you have a PureScript app in production?
- Check for PureScript jobs listed on Functional Jobs

## Should I learn PureScript now or wait until sometime later?

You might want to learn it **now** for these reasons:

- PureScript is actually quite mature and close to a 1.0. Many are already using it in production code.
- PureScript is syntactically and conceptually very similar to Haskell. If you learn
  PureScript, you've basically learned Haskell, too. I believe that PureScript provides a
  better environment for learning Functional Paradigm concepts than Haskell since it's
  easier to install, build, and experiment with.
  - No need to use any language extensions (e.g. OverloadedStrings)
  - Better record syntax
  - More granular type class hierarchy
- This project covers enough items that you should be able to learn PureScript relatively quickly. Still, while this project's code compiles and runs, its accuracy has not been verified by an "expert in the language" per say.

You might want to learn it **later** for these reasons:

- PureScript's documentation could be improved in a number of ways:
  - Documentation for libraries are good in some areas and lacking in others.

## How long will it take me before I can write idiomatic code and be productive in PureScript?

The average time for learning FP languages in general is usually 3-6 months due to the below reasons. This repository hopes to speed that process up, but, as always, people learn at different paces:

- Many tutorials/guides assume their readers already know foundational principles. New learners who read them often do not know, nor are even aware of, those foundational principles.
  - This project's Hello World/FP Philosophical Foundations folder exists to counter this issue
- No one really explains what the "big picture" that FP programming is all about. Thus, it's hard to see how some concept fits in the larger scheme of things, much less why that concept is so fundamental to everything.
  - See this project's Hello World/FP Philosophical Foundations/07-FP--The-Big-Picture.md file
- People (wrongly) believe that they must know a very abstract mathematics called "Category Theory" in order to use/write PureScript or another FP language. Due to its very abstract nature, Category Theory can be difficult to grasp and scares people off.
  - This "myth" is false. Most FP developers do not understand Category Theory and yet they already have an intuition for some of its ideas.
- The syntax for FP languages are paradigmatically different than the syntax with which
  most developers are familiar (C/Java/Python). It takes a while to get used to a
  "different" syntax family before it feels normal. Until it feels normal, reading through
  code examples will be harder.
  - This project's Syntax folder exists to counter the above issue.
- Related to the above, FP languages often use symbol-based aliases to refer to functions that are well-known to FP Programmers instead of those functions' literal names (e.g. <\$> instead of map , <\$ instead of voidRight , \$> instead of voidLeft ). It's more concise and similarities between these symbol-based aliases add meaning to them, such as their "direction." Since new learners do not already know that to which function a symbol refers, it can be hard to know what that function even does.
  - A Pursuit search for the symbol (e.g. <\$>) fixes this problem
  - This project's Type Classes/ReadMe.md#Functions section explains how to read the Type Classes/assets/Type-Class-Functions.xlsx file, which provides a table that indicates what those symbol-based fuction names are and from where they come.
- Due to their powerful type systems, FP languages trade errors that occur when running the program (runtime errors) with errors that occur when attempting to build the program via the compiler (compile-time errors). To understand how to debug these

compile-time "your program would not work if it was built" errors, one must have a strong understanding of how the compiler and its type system works.

- This project's Syntax folder (and more specifically, the Syntax/Type-Level Programming Syntax folder) explain enough to help one understand why some (but not all) problems arise.
- The Error Documentation sometimes explains what the error is and how to fix it (example) and other times is simply left unexplained (example).
- The PureScript Discord server is active and often helps people troubleshoot the error messages.
- Related to the above point, the powerful type system enables one to model some abstract ideas in a very precise way using well-defined types or things called type classes. When these features start to stack, a new learner can become overwhelmed.
  - o If one reads this work in order, they are unlikely to be overwhelmed.
  - Most of the "cool type things" one can do are helpful but not always necessary.
     Consider the Haskell Pyramid. "Monads" are an important and fundamental FP concept, but new learners do not need to learn what they are or how to use them right away.
- Many people try to re-explain something that another has already explained well and they write a poor re-explanation. It's hard to determine which explanations are accurate and correct and which are vague and mistaken until after you have already read it and/or know better.
  - I've been you. This work is my attempt to sift through the noise and present things in the best and simplest way possible. In various cases, I summarize and/or link to other posts that I believe to be credible that also explain a concept clearly. My sources include Haskell Weekly, the PureScript Discord server, a number of books I've read on FP programming, a number of papers I've read on FP programming, and various videos I've watched regarding FP programming.
- There are few sites or locations that "centralize" a lot of high-quality FP guides/ explanations. Thus, it's hard for new learners to find them.
  - This project exists partly because of this issue and hopes to resolve some of these problems.
  - For other "centralized" locations, see Hello World/ReadMe.md#other-learningresources.
- Many ideas are explained in papers that are not written for new learners but for academics. Understanding these papers' contents sometimes requires an understanding of high-level math, notation for specific concepts, etc., making the entry barrier higher
  - In various situations, I link to such papers and only in one situation do I walk a read through such a paper. In other words, this problem is still at large.

# If I choose to learn PureScript, will I later regret not having spent that same time learning a different compile-to-Javascript language (e.g. TypeScript, CoffeeScript, etc.) or a "compile to WebAssembly"-capable language (e.g. Rust) instead?

You might regret it if you are not being honest or thoughtful about the purpose you are trying to achieve. Not being aware of your expectations, nor having realistic ones, will almost always end in having those expectatiosn broken, leaving you angry, disappointed, or frustrated.

#### Some facts:

- WebAssembly holds promise, but it is still being developed.
- Languages that are popular or backed by companies with many resources are not necessarily the best languages to use for your particular purposes
- While PureScript offers more guarantees than most other languages, it unfortunately might not be the best language to use/learn if
  - you need mature libraries for a particular need that hasn't yet been written in PureScript. This is one benefit of TypeScript/Javascript.
  - o you find that Elm's tradeoffs are "good enough" for your purposes.
- A few people who are using PureScript now have said this about TypeScript: "You might as well be writing Javascript"

# How mature is the Ecosystem? Will I need to initially spend time writing/improving/documenting libraries for this language or can I immediately use libraries that are stable and mature?

It's primarily good for front-end work and not so much (yet) for back-end work. When it is lacking, one will likely need to use FFI to utilize JS libraries. See awesome-purescript and the documentation site, Pursuit.

Also, attempting to port over Haskell libraries to this language are harder at times and have unexpected performance. Why? Because Haskell is a lazily-evaluated language, but PureScript is a strictly-evaluated language.

## How hard it is to use another language's libraries via bindings?

Writing bindings is simple. See the Syntax/Foreign Function Interface folder for examples of how simple bindings are and things related to this.

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However, using FFI via bindings can introduce runtime errors. Whenever one uses a library via FFI, you don't know whether a function will throw an exception or not. This can produce unexpected runtime errors even though you've written your code in a type-safe language. On stable mature well-tested libraries, this shouldn't be a big problem.

Lastly, writing bindings is tedious. PureScript uses algebraic data types (ADTs), but most libraries will define one function that can take multiple sets of arguments. For example, one might call the function, foo, with any of these sets of arguments:

- foo("apple") (the first String argument, apple, is required)
- foo("apple", ["banana", "orange"]) (the Array of Strings argument is optional)
- foo("apple", ["banana", "orange"], true) (the boolean flag is optional, too)
- foo("apple", {first:"banana", second:"orange"}, true) (the array can be passed in as a record/map/dictionary/object, too)
- foo("apple", {first:"banana", second:"orange", optional: true}, true) (the second argument can have optional fields in addition to its required ones)

In reality, foo is at least 5 different functions that are all using the same name. Thus, writing bindings for foo is tedious to do in a language like PureScript due to PureScript's type-safe nature. However, there is a library for handling these kind of situations.

Others have also worked on writing code-generators that, for example, can look at the code of a library written in TypeScript and generate the corresponding PureScript bindings for that code. Such a tool is still a work-in-progress.

How easy/pleasant is it to use the language's build tools (e.g. compiler, linter/type checker, dependency manager, etc.) and text editor tools (e.g. ease of setup, refactoring support, pop-up documentation, etc.)?

The build tools are pretty good. One will typically use a spago-based workflow. These are explained in Build Tools/Tool Comparisons/Dependency Managers.md.

See the Build Tools/ folder for more up-to-date information. Likewise, see Editor and Tool Support for other editor-related configurations.

How friendly, helpful, responsive, inspiring, determined, and collaborative are the people who use and contribute to this language and its ecosystem?

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People usually get help from some of the core contributors or other well-informed people via the #purescript and #purescript-beginners. No question is too stupid. For longer threads, some post on the PureScript Discorse Forum.

The language's development is currently slow because each core contributor have full-time jobs and contribute in their spare time, not because they don't want to.

## What problems do developer teams typically encounter when migrating from Language X to PureScript and how hard are these to overcome?

- See Phil Freeman's own blog post on the matter: PureScript and Haskell at Lumi
- Thomas Honeyman's How to Replace React Components with PureScript's React libraries
- (Video) JavaScript to PureScript a Migration Story & Slides
- (Video) Adopting Pure FP Incrementally Engineering at Lumi
- Likewise, see Introducing Haskell to a Company, which can equally apply to Purescript
- See Robert Kluin Introducing A Functional Language At Work  $\lambda C$  2018/slides for a cautionary tale of "what can go wrong and why" when he attempted to introduce Scala at work.

## **Install Guide**

## **Getting Additional Help**

Throughout your learning process, it will be helpful to ask others for help. The two places this is often done is on PureScript's Discourse forum and its Discord server.

- Register for an account on PureScript's Discord server
  - Note: I'll refer to this as PureScript's chatroom throughout this work.
- Register for the Purescript ML forum here

## **Setting up Purescript for the First Time**

#### Overview

We'll show how to install the following programs:

- purescript the PureScript language & compiler
- spago a dependency manager and build tool for PureScript
- esbuild a build tool for bundling a PureScript application into a multiple JS backends (node, browser)
- (optional, recommended) purescript-psa pretty-prints compiler warnings/errors
  with stats; promotes compiler warnings to errors
- (optional, recommended) purs-tidy a formatter for PureScript
- (optional, recommended) purs-backend-es a tool for producing optimized JavaScript code from the compiler's output.

Thomas Honeyman, a core contributor to PureScript, usually posts an annual "Recommended Tooling for PureScript in <year>". At the time of writing, this one was for 2022.

#### **Installation**

#### **Installing NPM**

We can install everything using <code>npm</code> . However, getting <code>npm</code> is it's own problem. We can either install it manually by downloading <code>node</code> and installing that. Or we can use <code>nvm</code> (Node Version Manager) to install it for us and continue from there.

#### **Manual Install**

- 1. Install Node 16 or greater: https://nodejs.org/en/download/
- 2. Set your npm prefix: npm set prefix ~/.npm
  - Note: this prevents having to use sudo when using NPM to install things since it's default prefix is in a place that requires admin privileges
- 3. Set your PATH: export PATH: \$HOME/.npm/bin"

#### **NVM Install**

- 1. Install nvm using their installation instructions
- 2. Verify that the installation was successful via command -v nvm
- 3. Install node via nvm . To get the latest node version, use the command, nvm install node .

Unlike the manual install, nvm properly handles the npm prefix for you. So, you don't need to set it yourself.

### **Installing PureScript and Related Tooling**

Once you have installed npm, we can use it to install everything in one command:

```
npm i -g purescript@0.15.13 spago@0.21.0 esbuild@0.19.8 purs-tidy@0.10.0 purs-backend-es@1.4.2 purescript-psa@0.8.2
```

If you want to produce optimized JavaScript for your production environment (rather than a developer environment), install purs-backend-es:

```
npm i -g purs-backend-es
```

## **Versions Used in this Project**

The following commands should now work:

```
purs --version # 0.15.13
spago --version # 0.21.0
esbuild --version # 0.19.8
```

## **Building This Project**

Once the above has been verified, you can build this project.

First of all, if you haven't yet cloned this project locally, then do so now:

```
git clone https://github.com/JordanMartinez/purescript-jordans-reference
```

Then execute the script below which will install, build, and test every folder in this project:

```
source .ci/install-build-test-all.sh
```

Whenever I make a new release with breaking changes, this script will remove any outdated dependencies, reinstall the correct ones, and rebuild all of the folders' code.

## Setting up your editor

The following are instructions for setting up the VS Code editor. For other editors, see the respective page in the documentation repo

- 1. Install VS Code
- 2. Launch VS Code and install the following packages:
  - ide-purescript
  - language-purescript
- 3. Configure ide-purescript

## **Setting up Module Linker**

When you're browsing through code on GitHub, the browser extenstion, Module Linker, can greatly help: https://github.com/fiatjaf/module-linker

## The REPL

REPL stands for Read, Evaluate, Print, Loop.

## Starting the REPL

Use spago repl. The REPL should print something like the following:

```
$ spago repl
PSCi, version 0.13.8
Type :? for help
import Prelude
> |
```

Let's walk through each part:

- PSCi means "PureScript Compiler interactive". It's similar to GHCi, the Haskell language's REPL.
- version prints the PureScript version you are using.
- :? indicates how to print a list of commands with their description. These are described below in this file.

After this, you may see zero or more import <ModuleName> lines. Spago will read the .purs-repl file to get this list and import the modules automatically. The .purs-repl file is covered at the end of this file.

Note: if you do not see import Prelude appear above, expressions like 5 + 5 will produce an error. To fix that, you should import the Prelude module by typing import Prelude followed by pressing Enter.

## **Using the REPL**

In general, there are five things you can do in the REPL:

1. See the result of an expression by typing it into the REPL (e.g. 3 + 3) and hitting Enter.

2. Define a binding to some variable or function using the binding = <expression> syntax. For example...

```
x = 3function = (\x -> x + 1)
```

- 3. Input multi-line expressions using the :paste command (followed by CTRL+D)
- 4. Use other commands to explore a module's functions, types, and kinds
- 5. Use other commands to interact with the REPL's current state (e.g. clearing out bindings and/or imported modules, showing which modules have been imported, etc.)

## **Possible Outputted REPL Errors**

Sometimes, the REPL will output errors. These errors may not be immediately understandable for new learners, so the table below will help you understand them and know what to do.

The Error	Its Meaning	What to do
"No type class instance was found for Data.Show.Show [Type] "	An expression cannot be turned into a String. For example, a function's implementation ( (\x -> x + 1) ) cannot be turned into a String whereas a value ( 5 ) or expression ( 10 + 10 ) can be ( 5 and 20 , respectively).	If it's possible for you to define one, define an instance of the Show type class. If not, then ignore it and move on.
"Multiple value declarations exist for [binding]."	You defined the binding twice, which you cannot do	See the Reload command section for what your options are
"Unknown operator (+)"	The + function was not imported because the Prelude module was imported	Import the Prelude module by typing import Prelude followed by pressing Enter.

## A Quick Overview of Some of the REPL Commands

The REPL offers a few commands. You can see the entire list by typing either :help or :?

and pressing Enter.

These commands are listed in the same order as what the :? outputs.

Note: the commands can be shortened to their first unique letters. So, rather than entering :type, one can enter :t. Likewise, rather than entering :paste or :print, one can enter :pa or :pr, respectively.

## Help

Displays the REPL commands via :help / :?.

## Quit

Exits the REPL, returning control to your shell.

#### Reload

#### **The Problem**

You can only define a binding once. Defining it again with a different expression will output an error

```
x = 5 -- first time
x = 6 -- second time raises error
-- REPL's outputs error: "Multiple value declarations exist for x."
```

You need to clear the x binding name to be able to reuse it for other bindings.

For example, let's say you wrote two functions and the second uses the first. However, you wrote the wrong implementation for the second and need to rewrite it:

```
add1 = (\x -> x + 1)
times2 = (\x -> x * 3) -- "3" should be "2"
```

#### The Solutions

Ideally, you could just clear the second function's binding and rewrite it. Unfortunately, you

cannot do that. You can either:

- 1. use the :reload command to clear out both functions' bindings, redefine the first one, and then define the second one with the correct implementation
- 2. define a new binding for the correct implementation:

```
-- 1st option add1 = (\x -> \x + 1) times2 = (\x -> \x * 3) -- Whoops! "3" should be "2" :reload add1 = (\x -> \x * 1) -- define the "add1" binding again times2 = (\x -> \x * 2) -- define "times2" again but with correct implmentation.
-- 2nd option add1 = (\x -> \x * 1) times2 = (\x -> \x * 3) -- Whoops! "3" should be "2" times2_fix = (\x -> \x * 2) -- define new function with correct implementation
```

3. define your code in a file (as a module) and import that module into your REPL session. Any edits made to this file are picked-up upon a REPL reload.

Create a file containing your REPL script:

```
-- MyModule.file
module MyModule where

import Prelude

add1 = (\x -> x + 1)
times2 = (\x -> x * 3) -- This typo will be fixed later
```

Load script into the REPL:

```
> import MyModule
> times2 4
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```

Make any edits to this file. For example, change to times 2 = (x - x + 2). Save file, then reload in existing REPL session. The MyModule import will be remembered.

```
> :reload
> times2 4
8
```

#### Clear

Use :cl rather than :c to distinguish between this command and :complete. This works the same as :reload except that all imported modules are also removed. If you do this, you will need to reimport any modules you wish to use. For example, you will likely need to reimport Prelude ( import Prelude ), so that you can use number operations (i.e. +, -, /, \*) and the == function again.

#### **Browse**

See all the functions, types, and type classes that a module exports and which you can use

## **Type**

This displays the type signature of a value, a function or a type-class. One should be able to determine what the body of the function does based on the type signature, so that body is not shown:

```
> :type x + 1
Int
> :type (\x -> x + 1)
Int -> Int
```

#### Kind

Displays the kind of a type. Kinds will be explained more in the Syntax folder:

```
> :kind Int
Type
> :kind (Int -> Int)
Type
> :kind Array
Type -> Type
```

#### **Show**

There are two commands in this one:

- show loaded /:s loaded Shows all modules that the REPL session knows about.
   Some may or may not have been imported. (Before the REPL session starts, the PureScript compiler will compile all PureScript files based on the source globs given to it. All modules in those globs are then known to the REPL session, but you might not want to use them all in a given session.)
- show import /:s import Shows which modules you currently have imported into the REPL session

#### **Print**

Changes how a value is printed to the console after an expression is evaluated. By default, it uses PSCI.Support.eval.

New learners can ignore this command for now. Those who are familiar with the language can change it to a different one by calling :print Path.To.Module.functionName.

Regardless, to reset it to the default, one can call :print PSCI.Support.eval.

#### **Paste**

The REPL only accepts single-line Purescript code. If anything requires you to write multi-line expressions, you must use the :paste command.

The workflow goes something like this:

- 1. Type in the paste command: :paste
- 2. Do one of the following
  - input multi-line expressions (e.g. a type class and its function, a data type and its values, a function's type signature and its implementation, etc.).
  - paste some external code into the REPL
- 3. Type CTRL+D / CMD+D to indicate that you are finished.

The REPL will then parse and all of the code, enabling you to use it from that point forward.

## **Complete**

The REPL already supports tab-completion. So, this command isn't meant to be used by humans. Rather, it's for tools that need a way to get tab-completion. For context, see Harry's comment.

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## The .purs-repl File

If you ever want to automatically import a list of modules, modify the <code>.purs-repl</code> file. By default, it will only display the following content:

```
import Prelude
```

You can add more modules there so you don't have to type them in later:

```
import Prelude
import Data.Maybe
import Data.Either
```

Unfortunately, defining variables in the file will not automatically create them before the REPL starts. Let's say you update .purs-repl to the below content

```
import Prelude
x = 5
```

When you run spago repl, it will produce the following error:

```
$ spago repl
PSCi, version 0.13.8
Type :? for help
Unexpected or mismatched indentation at line 3, column 1
```

## **Other Gotchas**

- do notation (covered later) is not supported in the REPL
- The REPL works by converting the PureScript code into a new program and running it on Node each time. Thus, using a monad like Effect and let x = unsafePerformEffect (randomInt 1 10) will not store a random number in the variable x that stays the same after that point. Rather, x will have a new number each time one inputs a new expression and runs it by pressing ENTER.

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## **Other Important Info**

- Functional Programming Made Easier is a more recent work that literally walks you
  through every possible thought process, mistake, compiler error, and issue you would
  need to make to learn PureScript and build a web application in one book. I would
  recommend reading this book over the PureScript by Example book below.
- Purescript By Example is the official up-to-date book that teaches Purescript.
- PureScript Cookbook is an unofficial cookbook that shows "How to do X" in PureScript.
- "Not Yet Awesome" PureScript is a list of things that are not yet awesome in PureScript
- Configure Web Browser for Convenient Pursuit Lookup shows how to make it easy to search all documentation.
  - Consider using this same approach to setup a search using **Starsuit**, a Pursuit copy that works only packages in the latest package-set (a concept described more in the Build Tools folder of this repo). Use "https://spacchetti.github.io/starsuit/#search:" as your search.
- PureScript Migration Guides when a breaking change is made.

## **Functional Programming Jargon**

While reading through this repo, the Functional Programming Jargon might be a helpful reference whenever you come across a term that isn't covered in this project.

## Writing Algorithms in an FP Language

This repo will not explain how to write algorithms in a performant way using an FP language. Consider reading Algorithm Design with Haskell which does teach algorithms using an FP language.

## **Differences From Haskell**

If you're coming to PureScript with a Haskell background, be sure to consult the following resources:

- Introduction to Purescript for Haskell Developers (pdf)
- The Purescript Documentation Repo's "Differences from Haskell" page

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## **Differences From Elm**

If you're coming to PureScript with an Elm background, PureScript for Elm developers is a gentle introduction to the PureScript concepts.

# Use GitHub Search to Find Things Search Engines (i.e. Google) Don't

At various times, you may try to use something like Google to find documentation / examples and little will appear in the search results.

A better solution is to use GitHub's search. To learn its syntax, read searching code.

Then, you use a search query like the following:

Goal	Search Query	Meaning
Find examples of projects that use a dependency (e.g. purescriptprelude)	<pre>path:/ in:file purescript-prelude</pre>	Search a project's top-level files (e.g. bower.json/ spago.dhall/psc- package.json) for the text purescript-prelude
Find real-world examples of code that uses libraries (e.g. aff-bus)	<pre>language:purescript path:src/ in:file "Effect.Aff.Bus"</pre>	Search a project's src directory for files whose content mentions the Effect.Aff.Bus module at some point. (Note: the full module name must be surrounded by quotes)
Find real-world examples of code that uses testing libraries (e.g. aff-bus)	<pre>language:purescript path:test/ in:file "Test.QuickCheck"</pre>	Search a project's test directory for files whose content mentions the Test.QuickCheck module at some point. (Note: the full module name must be surrounded by quotes)

## **Documentation**

- Anytime you need to look up the documentation for a package, you have two options:
  - use Pursuit.
    - Pros: One can navigate through a library's version and dependencies
    - Cons: Some of the deprecated packages mentioned above are still posted there. (e.g. purescript-dom-\* packages, which are deprecated in favor of purescript-web-\* packages)
  - use Starsuit
    - Pros: Only provides documentation for packages in the latest package set
    - Cons: One does not immediately know which version of a library is displayed, nor what its dependencies are.
- Read Pursuit's Search Help page
- Lastly, some libraries have not uploaded their latest versions' documentation. In these
  cases, we will forewarn you. Fortunately, spago docs will produce a local version of
  the source code's documentation that looks similar to Pursuit. It does not support all
  the features of Pursuit, but it's better than nothing. To do that, follow these
  commands:
  - spago docs --open will generate the documentation and then use your default web browser to open the file, generated-docs/html/index.html.

## **Undocumented Pursuit Tip**

To get the latest version of the Pursuit docs of a package's function, package's type, or the package itself, simply remove the version in the url. Pursuit will load the latest version of that package: https://pursuit.purescript.org/packages/purescript-prelude/docs/Data.Eq

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## **Composition Everywhere**

#### TL;DR

Watch The Power of Composition

By "composition," we mean, "Assemble a few low-level reusable pieces into a higher-level piece." Here are some examples:

- (Classic example) Legos. Using small blocks of plastic, people can create all sorts of interesting things.
- Furniture. Using wood, metal, fabric, glass, and nails, people can create tables, chairs, desks, cabinets, etc.

Composition makes FP code easy to refactor because we can always reassemble the smaller pieces into something new or different.

But what kinds of things do we compose? In Functional Programming, we compose types (called algebraic data types) and functions.

## **Composing Types Algebraically**

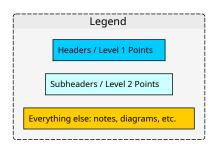
Algebraic Data Types (ADTs) use Algebra to define the total number of values a given type (i.e. named Set) can have.

There are two videos worth watching in this regard. The table and visualizations that follow merely summarize their points, except for the ideas behind the List and Tree types in the second video.

- 'Algebraic Data Types' as "Composable Data Types" (stop at 29:26)
  - Same ideas already explained in the above "Power of Composition" video:
  - o It uses a different syntax than PureScript but the ideas still apply.
- The Algebra of Algebraic Data Types
  - Warning: video has terrible sound quality!
  - explains the "algebraic laws" behind ADTs
  - covers Lists and Trees (unlike first video)

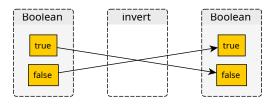
Name Math Logic PureScript Idea Operator Operator Type

Name	Math Operator	Logic Operator	PureScript Type	ldea
Product Type	x * y	AND	Tuple	"One value from type x <b>AND</b> one value from type y"
Sum Type	x + y	OR	Either	"One value from type x <b>OR</b> one value from type y"
Exponential Type	y^x	???	<pre>InputType -&gt; OutputType</pre>	???



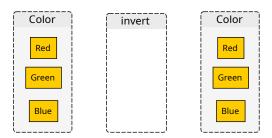
We use 'types' to help us know whether a function is being given the correct arguments

If 'Invert" is a function, we could pass it a Boolean value, and it would give us the opposite value



If we pass a 'Color' value into "Invert," what should it do?

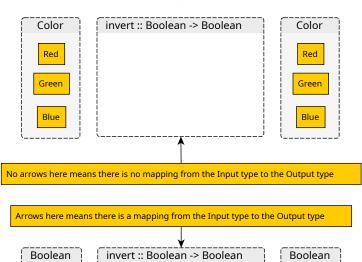
How would we invert these colors?

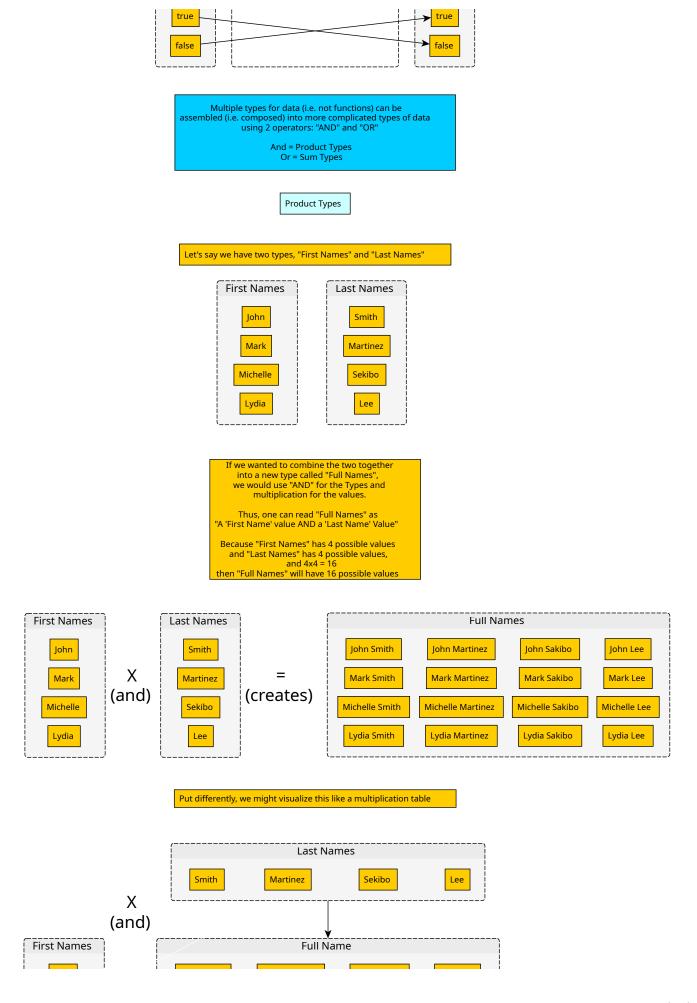


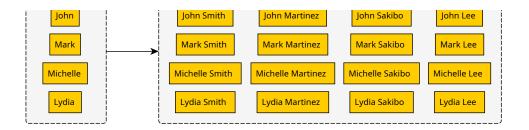
The answer is, "We don't."

The "invert" function should never be allowed to receive a "Color" argument. So, we can give the "Invert" function a type as well. Then, the compiler will tell us when we are using it incorrectly.

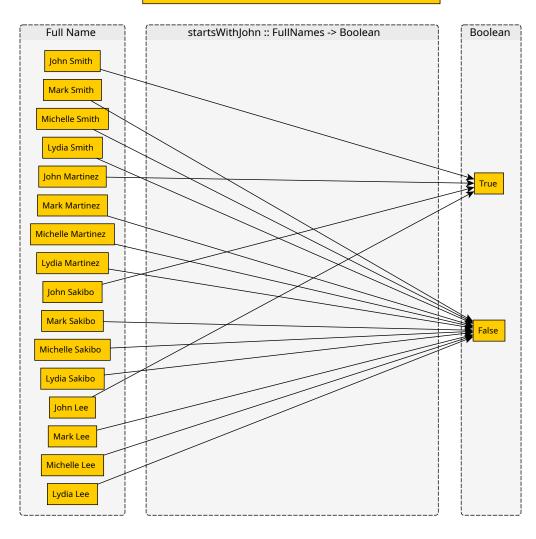
The below "Invert" function now has a type. If you give it a Boolean value, it will return a Boolean value.







Thus, if we want to define a function like "startsWithJohn", which takes a "FullName" as its argument, we know there are 16 possible values for which we need to account

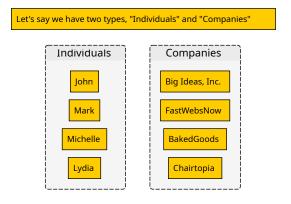


"FullNames" is an example of a Product Type, because the total number of values for the Product Type is the "product" (i.e. the result of multiplication) of the total number of values of the other types

The PureScript "Product Type" is "Tuple," which is written as data Tuple a b = Tuple a b

Example: type FullNames = Tuple FirstNames LastNames

Sum Types Explained

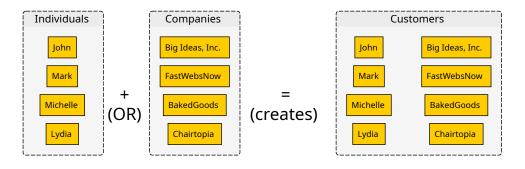


Let's say we developed software for the above individuals and companies and wanted to create a program that properly charges them for our fees.

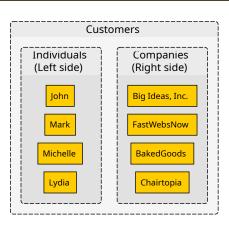
If we wanted to define a new type called "Customers," that allows us to choose between the two, we would combine the types together using "OR" and their values using addition.

One can read "Customers" as "A choice of either an 'Individual' value OR a 'Company' Value"

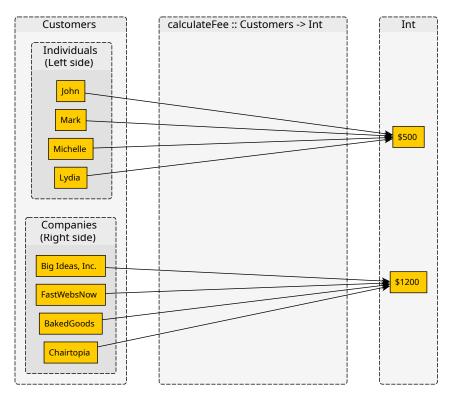
Because "Individual" has 4 possible values and "Company" has 4 possible values, and 4+4 = 8 then "Customers" will have 8 possible values



Put differently, we might visualize this as two types being contained/nested in another type



Thus, if we want to define a function like "calculateFee", which takes a "Customers" value as its argument, we know there are 8 possible values for which we need to account



"Customers" is an example of a Sum Type, because the total number of values for the Sum Type is the "sum" (i.e. the result of addition) of the total number of values of the other types

The PureScript "Sum Type" is "Either," which is written as

data Either a b
= Left a
| Right b

Example:
type Customers = Either Individual Company

Thus, using AND and OR, we can compose lower-level types into higher-level types. Because our data types can now accurately reflect our domain, we can now define functions that correctly operate on our data.

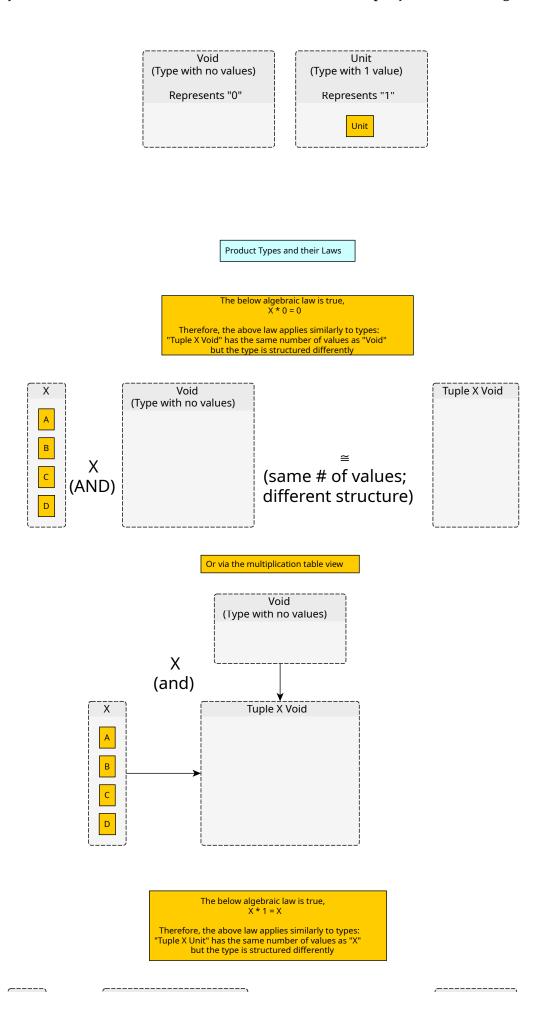
The end result: the compiler can supervise us and ensure that we are using functions correctly (e.g. passing a Boolean value into the "invert" function) rather than incorrectly (e.g. passing a Text value into the "invert" function)

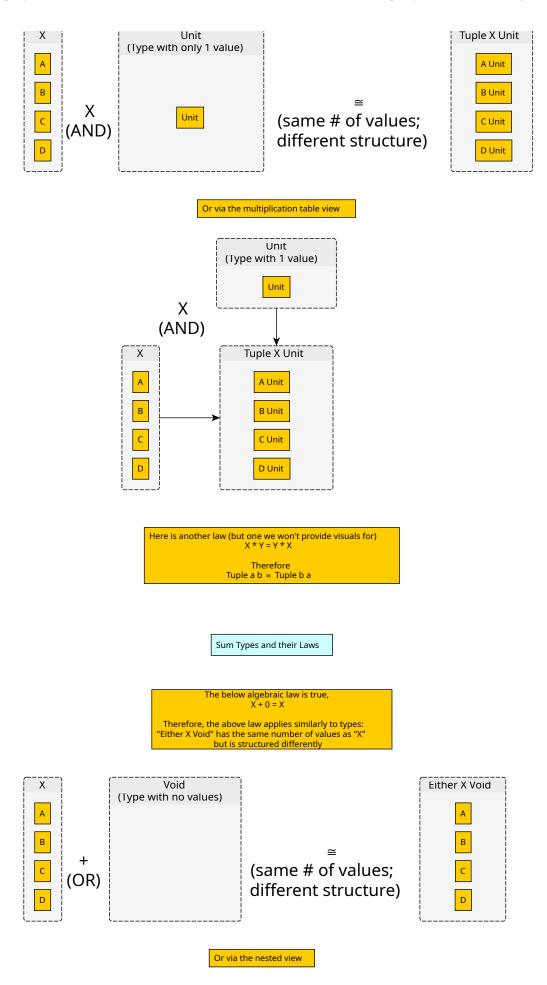
"Algebraic Data Types" are named that because they adhere to the laws of Algebra.

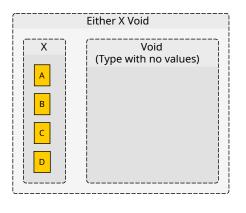
We'll now cover these laws

Void and Unit: Two Important Types

In the upcoming notes, we'll use "Void" and "Unit"







Here is another law (but one we won't provide visuals for) X + Y = Y + XTherefore

Either a b  $\cong$  Either b a

Previously, we assigned a type to the "invert" function.

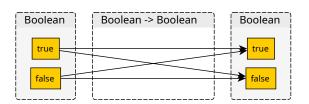
Do they have a mathematical representation as well?

Yes: exponents

Exponent Types

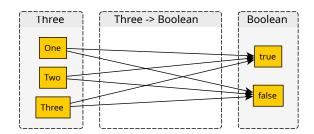
Let's consider a function that has the type "Boolean -> Boolean"

How many possible arrows does it have?



The answer is 4.

What if we use a different input argument with more values?



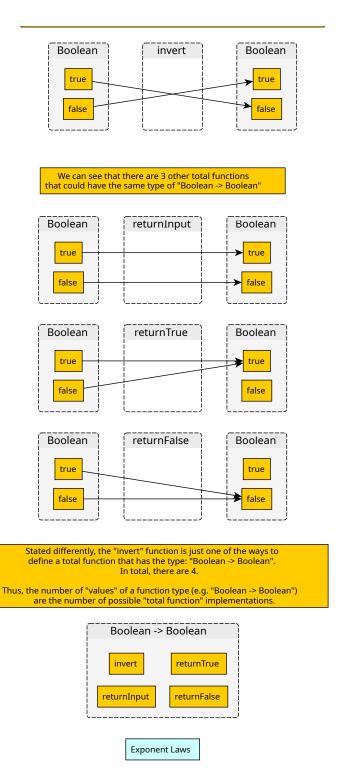
The answer is 6.

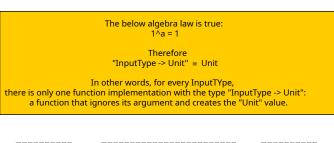
Following this pattern, we conclude that the function type of "InputType -> OutputType" has the same number of possible "values" as "OutputType^InputType"

We'll explain what the "values" here mean soon.

The "invert" function we visualized above only uses 2 of the 4 arrows

It does this because it is a total function.
It doesn't map the same input value to multiple output values
(i.e. a non-deterministic functions).



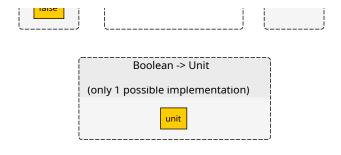


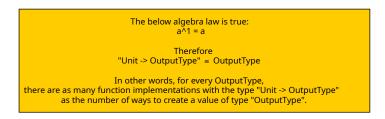
unit :: Boolean -> Unit

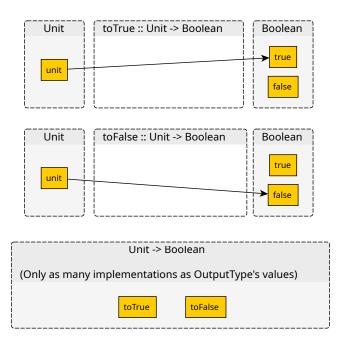
Boolean

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Unit







```
The below algebra law is true:
(b * c)^ a = (b^a) * (c^a)

Therefore

"InputType -> Tuple Out1 Out2"

Tuple (InputType -> Out1) (InputType -> Out2)

Using the above law and specifying all types to Boolean, we get

Boolean -> Tuple Boolean Boolean

Tuple (Boolean -> Boolean) (Boolean -> Boolean)

Using math instead of our types....
(2 *2)^2 = (2^2) * (2^2) = 8

we know that there are 8 possible function implementations that could have the above type
```

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The below algebra law is true:

c^(b * a) = (c^b)^a

Therefore

Tuple A B -> C
```

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

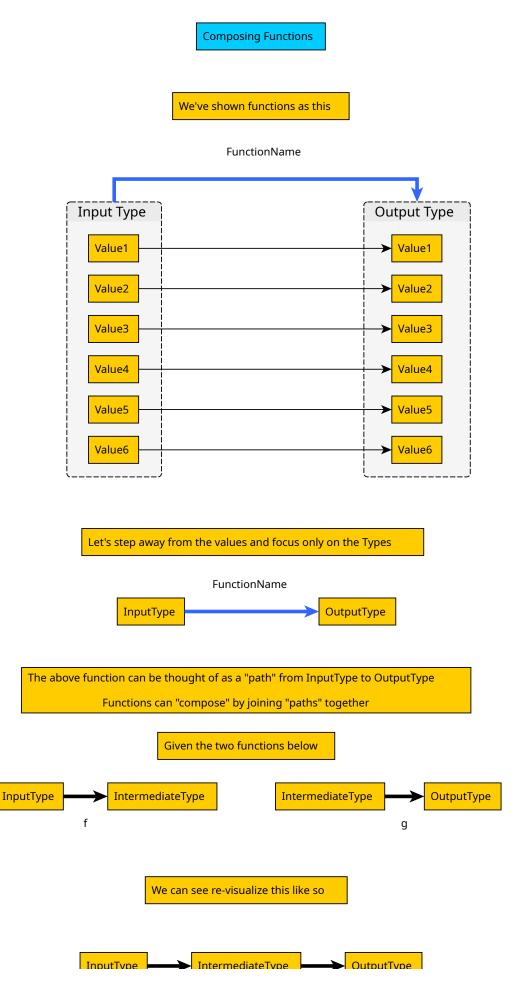
A -> (B -> C)

"Tuple A B -> C" is the "uncurried" form of a multi-argument function
"A -> (B -> C)" is the "curried" form of a multi-argument function

We could go further here and explain the algebra behind "Lists" and "Trees" but we won't.

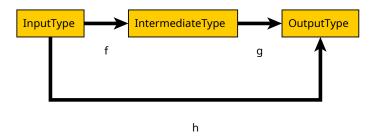
# **Composing Functions**

Similar to types, functions also compose but in a slightly different way. Look over the below image and then watch the video at the end (if you haven't seen it already).





And we can create an entirely new function by combining the two previous ones together

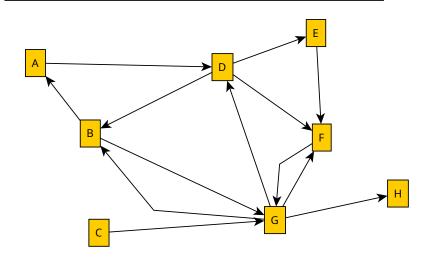


("h" is defined by doing 'f' and then 'g'.

In other words, pass an "InputType" value into "f", which outputs a value of the "IntermediateType."

That value then gets passed into "g", which produces a value of "OutputType")

If we visualized the functions we use in our code using this format, it might look something like this.



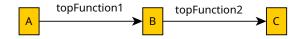
Domain Driven Design

(aka Type-Driven Design)

Once we have used Algebraic Data Types (ADTs) to model our domain's concepts, we can then use our functions to define how one values in one Type gets mapped to another (i.e. operations on our data).

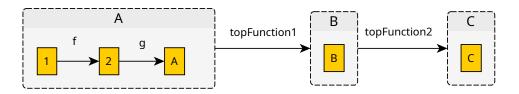
PureScript: Jordan's Reference

Let's define our program at a very high level in terms of the paths between its types



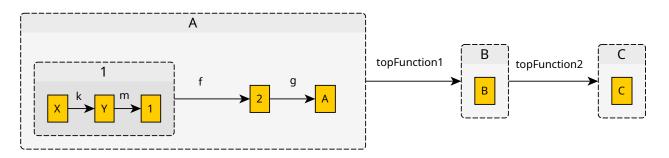
Since we can "compose" lower-level functions into higher-level functions, we can also "decompose" higher-level functions into lower-level functions

Thus, we can read "A" as a type that is obtained by composing other lower-level functions together. If we pass in a value of type "1" into "f" and compose "f" and "g" together, we can get an "A"



However, a value of type "1" might also be something we obtain via lower-level functions.

If we pass in a value of type "X" into "k" and compose "k" with "m", we can get a "1"



Through this process, we can use the Types of our functions to determine WHAT we want to accomplish at a high-level (i.e. declarative programming).

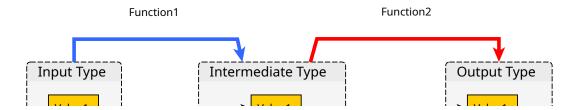
Then, we can use a top-down approach to determine HOW to do that.

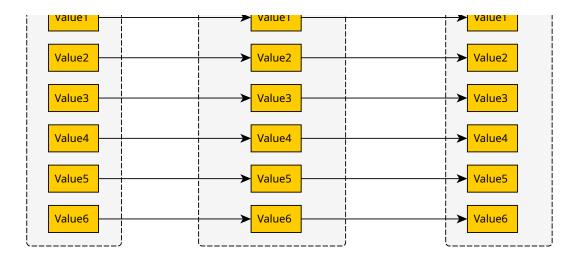
Thus, many people will say, "Follow the Types."

In other words, let the Types help you break big problems down into smaller problems, solve those smaller problems, and then compose their solutions into a solution for the bigger problem.

#### Composing Pure and Impure Functions

The examples of function composition that I have shown thus far (like the one below) are quite simple to understand.





However, there are some functions whose composition leads to very interesting results.

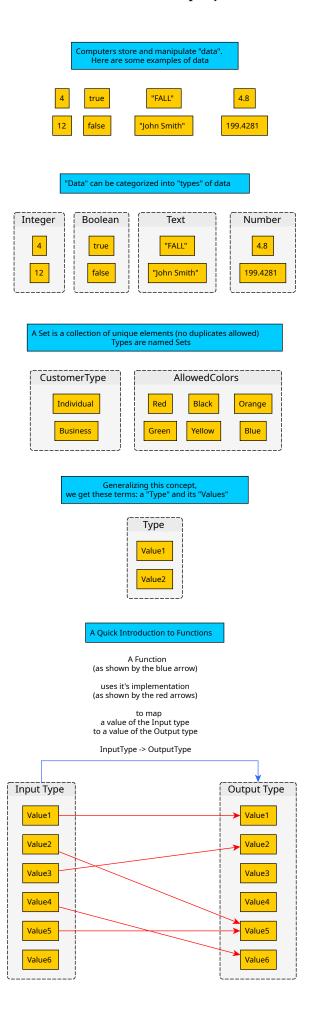
This is the heart of Category Theory, upon which FP is founded.

One example is the "Monad," which will be explained later in this repository.

**Video link:** Logging a function's name each time it is called: migrating an "object-oriented paradigm" solution to an "functional paradigm" solution

# **Pure vs Impure Functions**

**Visual Overview** 

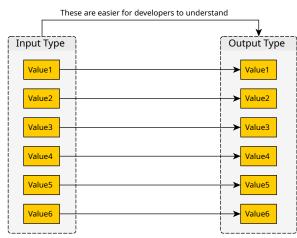


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#### Functions can be "TOTAL" or "PARTIAL

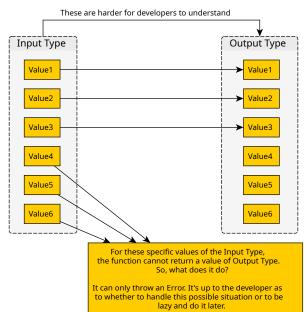
A Function is "TOTAL" if it knows how to map EVERY value of the Input Type to a value of the Output Type

These always force developers to handle possible errors.

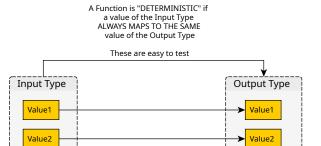


A Function is "PARTIAL" if it knows how to map SOME BUT NOT ALL values of the Input Type to a value of the Output Type

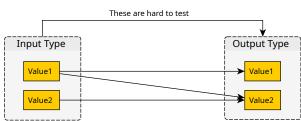
These allow developers to not handle possible errors until it becomes a bigger problem later



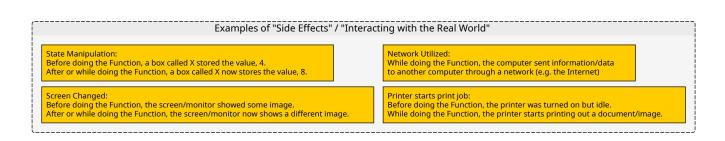
#### Functions can be "DETERMINISTIC" or "NON-DETERMINISTIC"



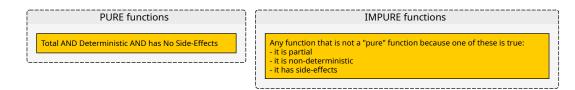
A Function is "NON-DETERMINISTIC" if a value of the Input Type SOMETIMES MAPS TO DIFFERENT values of the Output Type



When "doing" the Functions, they can either interact with the Real World ("SIDE EFFECTS") or not ("NO SIDE EFFECTS")



Functions are either "PURE" or "IMPURE"



Functional Programming utilizes functions to create programs and focuses on separating pure functions from impure functions.

## **General Overview**

#### **Properties**

The following table that shows a comparison of pure and impure functions is licensed under CC BY-SA 4.0:

- Original Credit: Sam Halliday "Functional Programming for Mortals with Scalaz"
- License: legal code & legal deed
- Changes made
  - o Converted idea into a table that compares pure functions with impure functions
  - Further expand on "does it interact with the real world" idea with more examples from the original work

Pure functions have 3 properties, but the third (marked with  $\,\star\,$ ) is expanded to show its full weight:

	Pure	Pure Example	Impure	lı
Given an input, will it always return some output?	Always (Total Functions)	n + m	Sometimes (Partial Functions)	4 un
Given the same input, will it always return the same	Always (Deterministic Functions)	1 + 1 always equals 2	Sometimes (Non- Deterministic Functions)	ra

	Pure	Pure Example	Impure	lı
output?				
*Does it interact with the real world?	Never		Sometimes	fi
*Does it access or modify program state	Never	<pre>newList = oldList.removeElemAt(0) Original list is copied but never modified</pre>	Sometimes	x+ va inc on
*Does it throw exceptions?	Never		Sometimes	fu th Ex

In many OO languages, pure and impure code are mixed everywhere, making it hard to understand what a function does without examining its body. In FP languages, pure and impure code are separated cleanly, making it easier to understand what the code does without looking at its implementation.

Programs written in an FP language usually have just one entry point via the main function.

Main is an impure function that calls pure code.

Sometimes, FP programmers will still write impure code, but they will restrict the impure code to a small local scope to prevent any of its impurity from leaking. For example, sorting an array's contents by reusing the original array rather than copying its contents into a new array. Again, impure code is not being completely thrown out; rather, it is being clearly distinguished from pure code, so that one can understand the code faster and more easily.

# **Data Types**

# **Principles**

In order to abide by the principle of pure functions, FP Data Types tend to adhere to two principles:

- 1. Immutable the data does not change once created. To modify the data, one must create a copy of the original that includes the update.
- 2. Persistent Rather than creating the entire structure again when updating, an update should create a new 'version' of a data structure that includes the update

We'll use a linked-list (see below) to demonstrate the above two ideas.

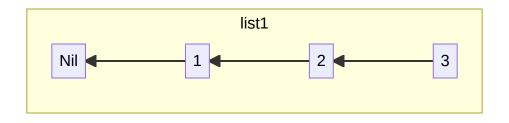


Each list is one of two values:

- the end of the list (i.e. Nil)
- a node that stores one element in the list and a pointer to the rest of the list (i.e.

# **Mutability vs Immutability**

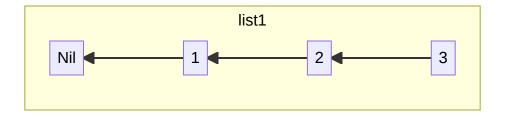
Let's say we have a list that is assigned to the variable list1:



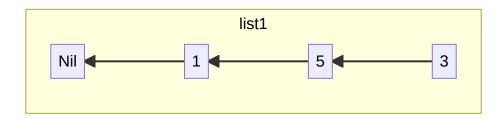
Let's say we want to change element 2 to 5. There are a few ways we could do this modification to list1.

The first way is to mutate list1 directly, so that list1 refers to new list. A data type that gets modified like this is a **mutable data type**.

Before our modification, this is what list1 looks like:

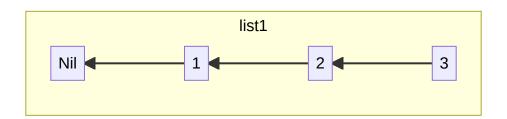


After our modification, this is what list1 looks like:

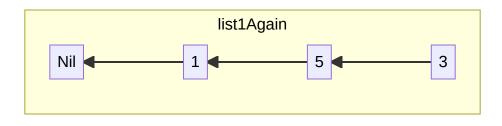


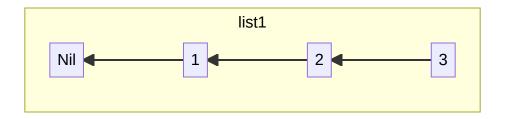
The second way is to create a new version of list1 called list1Again. A data type that gets modified like this is an **immutable data type**.

Before our modification, this is what list1 looks like:



After our modification, list1 is unchanged, but the "modified version" is now list1Again:





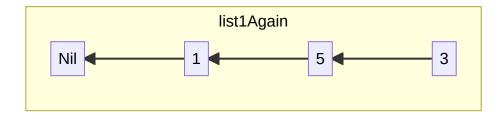
#### **Pros & Cons**

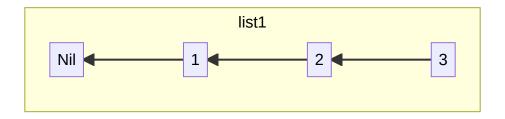
Topic	Mutable Data Types	Immutable Data Types
Reasoning	Code is harder to reason about: list1 can refer to different values at different times	Code is easier to reason about: list1 always refers to the same value
Memory Usage	Uses less memory; low pressure on garbage collector	Uses more memory; higher pressure on garbage collector
Multi- Threading	Risk of deadlocks, race conditions, etc.	No such risks

# **Immutable Data Types: Persistent or Not**

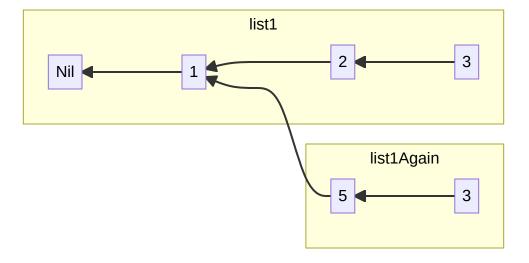
There are two ways to modify an immutable data type.

First, one can choose NOT to share values across the copies. This is what was shown previously:





Second, one can choose to share values across the copies. This is an example of a **persistent immutable data structure**. Sharing is caring:



# **Big O Notation**

FP data types have amortized costs. In other words, most of the time, using a function on a data structure will be quick, but every now and then that function will take longer. Amortized cost is the overall "average" cost of using some function.

These costs can be minimized by making data structures lazy or by writing impure code in a way that doesn't "leak" its impurity into the surrounding context.

# Lazy vs Strict

A computation can either be lazy or strict. Before giving the below table, let's give a real-life example.

This is "Strict evaluation." Your parent tells you to *immediately* do some chore (e.g. wash dishes, etc.). You go and do so. Sometimes, you learn that this was necessary. Other times, you learn that the dishes were already washed by someone else. Despite telling your parent that they don't need to be washed, your parent insists and overrules you. This especially annoys you on days where "washing the dishes" will take a long time.

This is "Lazy evaluation." Your parent tells you to *remember* to do some chore but not to start until they tell you. On some days, they never tell you to start because the task wasn't needed after all. You love those days. On other days, they tell you to start in the morning, the afternoon, or the evening.

Term	Definition	Pros	Cons
Strict	computes its results immediately	Expensive computations can be run at the most optimum time	Wastes CPU cycles and memory for storing/ evaluating expensive computations that are unneeded/unused
Lazy	defers computation until its needed	Saves CPU cycles and memory: unneeded/ unused computations are never computed	When computations will occur every time, this adds unneeded overhead

To make something lazy, we turn it into a function. This function takes one argument (Unit) and returns the value we desire. This is called a thunk: a computation that we know how to do but have not executed yet. To run the code stored in the thunk, we use the phrase forcing the thunk.

```
-- Given an Int, I can return another Int
strictlyCompute :: Int -> Int
strictlyCompute x = x + 4

-- otherwise known as 'thunking'
-- Given an Int, I can return a 'thunk.' When
-- this thunk is evaluated, it will return an Int.
lazilyCompute :: Int -> (Unit -> Int)
lazilyCompute x = (\unitValue__neverUsed -> x + 4)

forceThunk :: (Unit -> Int) -> Int
forceThunk thunk = thunk unit
-- somewhere in our code
thunk = lazilyCompute 5

-- somewhere else in our code, when we finally need it
result = forceThunk thunk
```

#### **Other Resources**

This resource is not necessary for you to read it to understand and use PureScript.
 However, it might satisfy those who are curious. It uses the Lisp language in its
 examples, so the code might be difficult to understand. Regardless, the book
 Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs (SICP) (see this or that) has a
 chapter on lazy evaluation and thunks.

# **Looping via Recursion**

In most OO languages, one writes loops using while and for. Looping in that matter makes it very easy to introduce impure code. So, in FP languages, one writes loops using recursion, pattern-matching, and tail-call optimization. The rest of this file will compare OO code to its FP counterpart

# For i until condition do computation and then increment i

```
// factorial
var count = 5;
var result = 1;
for (var i = 2; i < count; i++) {</pre>
    result = result * i
}
-- This is a stack-unsafe function (explained and improved next)
factorial :: Int -> Int
                                       -- base case
factorial 1 = 1
factorial x = x * (factorial (x - 1)) -- recursive case
factorial 3
-- reduces via a graph reduction...
3 * (factorial (3 - 1))
3 * (factorial 2)
3 * 2 * (factorial (2 - 1))
3 * 2 * (factorial 1)
3 * 2 * 1
6 * 1
```

#### Stack-Safe

The above Purescript example illustrates a problem that comes with writing loops this way: stack overflows. Thus, when one says "this function is stack-safe", they mean that calling the function will not risk the possibility of a stack overflow runtime error being produced. One usually prevents this risk via tail-call optimization (which usually converts the recursive loop back into an OO loop) or trampolining (when tail-call optimization isn't possible)

Thus, one will usually write recursive functions in this manner. Rather than using recursion to calculate the value by creating a 'stack' of  $\star$  operations (as done above), one will pass into the function an additional argument that acts as the accumulated value. The necessary state change / calculation is done and its result is passed in as the new accumulated value in the next iteration of the recursive function call:

```
factorial :: Int -> Int
factorial n = factorial' n 1
factorial' :: StartingInt -> AccumulatedInt -> AccumulatedInt
factorial' 1 finalResult = finalResult
                                                                           {-
factorial' amountRemaining accumulatedSoFar =
  -- This is the general idea being done in the single line of code
 -- after this comment
 let
   oneLess = amountRemaining - 1
   nextAccumulatedValue = accumulatedSoFar * amountRemaining
 in
    factorial' oneLess nextAccumulatedValue
                                                                           -}
  factorial' (amountRemaining - 1) (amountRemaining * accumulatedSoFar)
factorial 4
-- reduces via a graph reduction...
factorial' 4 1
factorial' 3 4
factorial' 2 12
factorial' 1 24
24
```

In some cases, one will need to write more complex code to get the desired performance using a combination of defunctionalization and continuation-passing style (CPS). This is covered in more detail in the Design Patterns/Defunctionalization.md file.

## For ... Break If

```
// findFirst
var findFirst = (array, condition) => {
 var length = array.length();
  for (var i = 0; i < length; i++) {</pre>
      var value = array[i]
      if (condition(value)) {
        return value;
      }
  }
  return null;
findFirst([0, 1, 2], (i) => i == 1);
-- linked list
data List a
 = Nil
                    -- end of the list
  Cons a (List a) -- head of a linked list & rest of list
data Maybe a
  = Nothing -- could not find a value of type A
            -- found a value of type A
findFirst :: forall a. List a -> (a -> Boolean) -> Maybe a
findFirst list condition = findFirst' list condition Nothing
findFirst' :: forall a. List a -> (a -> Boolean) -> Maybe a -> Maybe a
findFirst' Nil condition notFound = notFound
findFirst' (Cons head tail) condition theA@(Just alreadyFound) =
  findFirst' tail condition theA
findFirst' (Cons head tail) condition Nothing =
  let foundOrNot = if (condition head) then (Just head) else Nothing
  in findFirst' tail condition foundOrNot
findFirst (Cons 0 (Cons 1 (Cons 2 Nil))) (\el -> el == 1)
-- reduces via a graph reduction...
findFirst' (Cons 0 (Cons 1 (Cons 2 Nil))) (\el -> el == 1) Nothing
findFirst'
                   (Cons 1 (Cons 2 Nil)) (\el -> el == 1) Nothing
                           (Cons 2 Nil) (\el -> el == 1) (Just 1)
findFirst'
findFirst'
                                   Nil
                                          (\el -> el == 1) (Just 1)
Just 1
```

#### **Short-Circuiting**

The above Purescript example illustrates another problem with writing loops this way: short-circuiting. There are times when we wish to break out of a recursion-based loop early, such as when we have found the first element of a collection. In the above example, the function does not short-circuit, so it continues to iterate through the list even after it has

found the element, leading to wasted CPU time and work.

To make the function above short-circuit, we would rewrite the function to this:

```
-- linked list
data List a
 = Nil
                   -- end of the list
  Cons a (List a) -- head of a linked list & rest of list
data Maybe a
  = Nothing -- could not find a value of type A
  | Just a -- found a value of type A
findFirst :: forall a. List a -> (a -> Boolean) -> Maybe a
findFirst Nil condition = Nothing
findFirst (Cons head tail) condition =
  if (condition head)
  then Just head
  else findFirst' tail condition
findFirst (Cons 0 (Cons 1 (Cons 2 Nil))) (\el -> el == 1)
-- reduces via a graph reduction...
findFirst
                (Cons 1 (Cons 2 Nil)) (\el -> el == 1)
Just 1
```

# **Other Loops**

The following Purescript examples are very *crude* ways of mimicking the following loops. More appropriate examples would require explaining and using type classes like <code>Foldable</code>, <code>Unfoldable</code>, and <code>Monad</code> (intermediate FP concepts). Thus, take these examples with a grain of salt.

#### While

```
while (condition == true) {
  if (shouldStop()) {
    condition = false
  } else {
    doSomething();
  }
}
```

```
whileLoop :: Boolean -> (Unit -> Boolean) -> (Unit -> Unit) -> Unit
whileLoop false _ _ = -- body
whileLoop true shouldStop doSomething =
    -- `doSomething unit` is called in here somewhere
    -- at the end of the function's body, it will call
    whileLoop (shouldStop unit) shouldStop doSomething
```

#### For value in collection

```
// length
var count = 0;
for (value in list) {
  count += 1;
}

data List a
  = Nil
  | Cons a (List a)

length :: forall a. List a -> Int -> Int
length Nil totalCount = totalCount
length (Cons head tail) currentCount =
  length tail (currentCount + 1)
```

# **Type Classes**

## What Problem Do Type Classes Solve?

Their primary use is to make writing some code more convenient / less boilerplatey. Rather than writing the same code 25 different times where it differs in only one way each time, we can write code once and "parameterize it" in 25+ different ways.

To see a bottom-up explanation of this idea, read through the bullet points below and then watch the video.

- This video is a recording of a presentation given by Nathan Faubion, a core contributor to PureScript.
- This video finishes explaining what type classes are around 22:54.
- The parts that follow are more advanced concepts. They explain how to make "real world code" easily testable via type classes and interpreters. You might not understand those explanations until you are more familiar with PureScript syntax.
- The presentation ends at 1:03:58. Nate starts answering people's questions after that.
- Nate's answers to various questions ends at 1:13:12 and the rest of the video are people talking about various PureScript things.
- While Nate explains that type classe enable "code reuse," one could use an approach called "scrap your type classes" (SYTC) to accomplish that goal. SYTC will be covered later in this file.

Video: Code Reuse in PureScript: Functions, Type Classes, and Interpreters (actual video title on YouTube: "PS Unscripted - Code Reuse in PS: Fns, Classes, and Interpreters")

## Where Do Type Classes Come From?

Type classes are usually "encodings" of various concepts from mathematics.

Type classes make developers productive. They enable programmers... - to write 1 line of code that is the equivalent of writing 100s of lines of code. - to define complicated control flows that highlight the important parts and minimize the irrelevant boilerplatey parts (e.g. nested "if then else" statements) - to use (in general) 5 "dumb reusable data types" to solve most of our problems: - Maybe - a box that is either empty or has a value. - Either - a sum type: either has a Left value or a Right value - Tuple - a product type: has both an A value and

a B value - List - self-explanatory - Tree - self-explanatory

# **Type Classes as Encodings of Mathematical Concepts**

Type classes often encode ideas that are true regardless of what we call them (i.e. "necessary" concepts), but functional programmers will refer to them via jargon (i.e "arbitrary" names like Functor). (For more context on the usage of "necessary" and "arbitrary" as terms, see Arbitrary and Necessary Part 1: a Way of Viewing the Mathematics Curriculum).

Putting it differently, if Some type can implement some function(s)/value(s) with a specified type signature in such a way that the implementation adheres to specific laws, one can say it **has** an instance of the given type class. Some types cannot satisfy a given type class' conditions; others can satisfy them in only one way; and still others can satisfy them in multiple ways. Thus, one does not say "Type X is an instance of <some type class>." Rather, one says "Type X has an instance of <some type class>." To see this concept in a clearer way and using pictures, see https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=iJ7V1KXJpsE

Thus, type classes abstract general concepts into an "interface" that can be implemented by various data types. They are usually an encapsulation of 2-3 things:

- 1. (Always) The definition of type signatures for one or more functions/values.
  - Functions may be put into infix notation using symbolic aliases (e.g. <\$>) to make it easier to write them.
- 2. (Almost Always) The laws by which implementations of a type class must abide.
  - These laws guarantee certain properties, increasing developers' confidence that their code works as expected.
  - They also help one to know how to refactor code. Given left-hand-side == right-hand-side, evaluating code on the left may be more expensive (memory, time, IO, etc.) than the code on the right.
  - Laws cannot be enforced by the compiler. For example, one could define a type class' instance for some type which satisfies the type signature. However, the implementation of that instance might not satisfy the type class' law(s). The compiler can verify that the type signature is correct, but not the implementation. Thus, one will need to insure an instance's lawfulness via tests, (usually by using a testing library called quickcheck-laws, which is covered later in this repo)
- 3. (Frequently) The additional functions/values that can be derived once one implements the type class.

 Most of the power/flexibility of type classes come from the combination of the main functions/values implemented in a type class' definition and these derived functions. When a type class extends another, the type class' power increases, its flexibility decreases, and its costs increase.

#### **Examples**

Here are some examples that demonstrate the combination of the 2-3 elements from above:

- The Eq type class.
  - Required type signatures:

```
eq :: a -> a -> Boolean (Note: a == b is the same as eq a b)
```

- Laws
  - Reflexivity: x == x
  - Symmetry: if x == y, then y == x
  - Transitivity: if x == y and y == z, then x == z
- Derived Functions
  - notEq, which inverts the result of eq: notEq a b = not (a == b)
- The Monoid type class
  - Required type signatures:
    - append :: a -> a -> a (Note: a <> b is the same as append a b)
    - mempty :: a
  - Laws
    - Left unit: (mempty <> x) == x (Note: 0 + 1 == 1 is an example of this idea)
    - Right unit: (x <> mempty) == x (Note: "hello" <> "" == "hello" is an example of this idea)
  - Derived Functions
    - power :: a -> Int -> a : append a value to itself N times (e.g. power "a"
      4 == "aaaa")
    - guard :: Boolean -> a -> a:return either the a or mempty (e.g. guard false "a" == "" and guard true "a" == "a")

## Similarities and Dual Relationships Among Type Classes

Some type classes have a corresponding "dual". While there are better ways to explain

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duals, the basic idea is that the "direction" of the function's arrow gets flipped. When this happens, we usually prefix them with "Co". For example, if we have a type class called Monad, the dual of it is called Comonad. If Monad has laws A and B, then it's likely that Comonad will have laws A' (pronounced "A-prime") and B' (pronounced "B-prime"), which are "flipped" version of A and B.

For example, a function like toB would have its arrow flipped to produce toA::

```
-- original
toB :: a -> b
toB = -- function's implementation
{-
-- 1. Drop the implementation
toB :: a <- b
toB =
-- 2. Flip the arrow
toB :: a <- b
toB =
-- 3. Reorder the arguments so that arrow is pointing to the right:
toB :: b -> a
toB =
-- 4. Rename the function
toA :: b -> a
toA =
-}
-- Dual version
toA :: b -> a
toA = -- function's implementation
```

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# **Equational Reasoning**

Functions in FP languages often work like equations: the left-hand side can be replaced by the right-hand side. We'll cover this idea more in the graph reduction section. This idea enables a developer to solve a problem using a simple but not performant solution that can be easily refactored to a much more performant version of the solution. We'll cover this in the "Optimizing Functions" section.

## **Graph Reduction: Running a Function**

In source code, we can describe the various parts of a function based on which side of the = character the content appears:

- Left-Hand Side (LHS): the function name and all of its arguments
- Right-Hand Side (RHS): the body or implementation of the function

```
| LHS | RHS |
functionName int1 int2 = int1 + int2
```

When using pure functions, one can replace the LHS with the RHS, and the program will still work the same. This concept is known as **referential transparency**:

```
functionName 4 3
-- replace LHS with RHS
-- reduce into final form
-- Calling `function 4 3` could be removed and replaced
-- with `7` and the program would work the same
-- Similarly, the below function (a longer form syntactically) and its
arguments
-- could be replaced with `6` and the program would work fine.
(\arg 1 \ arg 2 \ arg 3 \rightarrow arg 1 + arg 2 + arg 3) \ 1 \ 2 \ 3
-- replace LHS with RHS
       arg2 arg3 -> 1 + arg2 + arg3)
arg3 -> 1 + 2 + arg3)
-> 1 + 2 + 3)
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                                 5
```

Although the above examples are very simple functions, imagine if one's entire program was

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one function that exhibited this behavior. If so, it would be very easy to understand and reason one's way through such a program.

# **Optimizing Functions: From Simplicity to Performant**

This section summarizes the main ideas explained in **Algorithm Design with Haskell** (Cambridge, Amazon).

Above, we showed that functions are "run" by using graph reduction: the left-hand side is replaced with the right-hand side. However, this idea also applies when we refactor code, enabling the following developer workflow:

- 1. Solve a programming problem by composing multiple high-level functions together. Initially, this version of the solution will not be performant.
- 2. "Decompose" the high-level functions by replacing their call site (i.e. left-hand side) with their implementations (i.e. right-hand side)
- 3. Use laws to refactor how those implementations compose to reduce unneeded work.

Typically, the 'laws' above are from type classes. When we see that a function "decomposes" to map function1 (map function 2), which iterates through some collection twice, we can rewrite it to map (\arg -> function1 (function2 arg)), which iterates through some collection once but still produces the same output.

Following this workflow makes it easier to solve all programming problems. In particular, this workflow helps when writing a greedy algorithm or a dynamic programming algorithm.

Let's provide two other examples of this idea. To keep things simple for those who don't understand PureScript's syntax, we'll not use laws to guide refactoring.

### **Example 1**

As a very simple example, consider the following programming problem:

Given an array of integers, arr, that will have 0 - 20 elements, define a function, countTwoFourSum, that calculates how often a 2 or 4 appears in the array (i.e. its count) and sums the resulting counts together. For example

countTwoFourSum([1, 2, 3, 4]) == 2 countTwoFourSum([1, 3, 5, 7]) == 0

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```
countTwoFourSum([2, 2, 3, 6]) == 2 countTwoFourSum([2, 2, 3, 4]) == 3
```

Using Step 1 above, the simplest solution would be to write something like this:

```
var countTwoFourSum = function(arr) {
  return count(arr, 2) + count(arr, 4);
};
var count = function (arr, value) {
  var accumulatedValue = 0;
  for (var i = 0; i < arr.length; i++) {
    var nextElem = arr[i];
    if (nextElem == value) {
      accumulatedValue = accumulatedValue + 1;
    }
  }
  return accumulatedValue;
};</pre>
```

Translating that to PureScript, we would write:

```
countTwoFourSum :: Array Int -> Int
countTwoFourSum arr =
   (count arr 2) + (count arr 4)

count :: Array Int -> Int -> Int
count arr value = foldl countIfValue initialAccumulatedValue arr
   where
   initialAccumulatedValue = 0

countIfValue accumulatedValue nextElem =
   if nextElem == value then accumulatedValue + 1 else accumulatedValue
```

While it is easy to think of the solution to this code by writing it in this way, it's not performant because we loop through the array twice.

In step 2, we can replace the original function, count, with its implementation.

```
countTwoFourSum :: Array Int -> Int
countTwoFourSum arr =
  (foldl countIfTwo initialAccumulatedValue arr) +
  (foldl countIfFour initialAccumulatedValue arr)
  where
  initialAccumulatedValue = 0

countIfTwo accumulatedValue nextElem =
  if nextElem == 2 then accumulatedValue + 1 else accumulatedValue

countIfFour accumulatedValue nextElem =
  if nextElem == 4 then accumulatedValue + 1 else accumulatedValue
```

In step 3, we refactor the resulting computation to be more performant. Below, we iterate through the array once rather than twice by using only one foldl.

```
countTwoFourSum :: Array Int -> Int
countTwoFourSum arr =
  let finalCount = foldl countIfValues initialAccumulatedValue arr
  in finalCount.twoCount + finalCount.fourCount
  where
  initialAccumulatedValue = {twoCount: 0, fourCount: 0}

countIfValues {twoCount, fourCount} nextElem =
  { twoCount: if nextElem == 2 then twoCount + 1 else twoCount
  , fourCount: if nextElem == 4 then fourCount + 1 else fourCount
}
```

# **Example 2**

The above example illustrates this workflow but isn't the most impressive example. Here's a slightly more complex example. Let's say a programmer is reading through a description of a problem and its desired output. Piece by piece, she types out the below code as a solution to each part of the problem:

While the above code solves the problem, it is not performant. It iterates through an array multiple times and creates multiple intermediate arrays. By using equational reasoning (not shown below), we can speed this up to a single iteration:

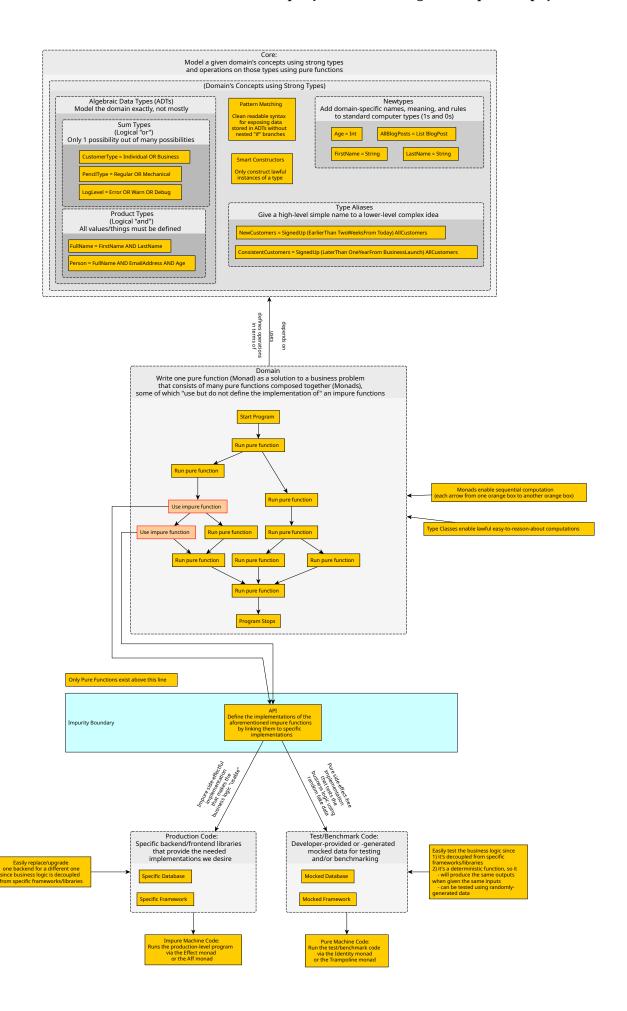
```
foldl f init stringArray
where
  init = 0
  f acc next =
    case fromString next of
    Nothing -> acc
    Just i -> acc + i + 1
```

Crucially, our first focus was on writing a correct solution and then on making it performant.

# **FP - The Big Picture**

Here's a sneak peek as to what the design process for writing FP programs looks like. **Note: I** assume you're already familiar with pure and impure functions. If not, see FP Philosophical Foundations/Pure-vs-Impure-Functions.md:

# Design Direction



# **Build Tools**

This folder accomplishes the following:

- Explain the various tools used throughout the ecosystem and their usages/differences:
  - Document the differences between Bower and Spago dependency managers
  - Document the difference between Pulp and Spago build tools
- Document the CLI options for the most popular tools (e.g. purs, pulp, spago, etc.)
- Document a typical workflow from project start to finish (creation, fast-feedback development, initial publishing, 'bump' publishing)

# **History: How We Got Here**

The following explanation does not cover all the tools used in PureScript's ecosystem. However it provides context for later files.

In short, spago is both the official dependency manager and build tool. It was originally written in Haskell. It's currently being rewritten in PureScript. The Haskell version is called spago-legacy whereas the rewrite is the alpha spago. Whenever this repo mentions spago, it's always in reference to spago-legacy.

There are two other tools that are only around because alpha spago hasn't been finished yet. bower can be thought of as a deprecated dependency manager; the community used this tool because it provided a registry. pulp is a build tool that uses bower; its usage has become less frequent because of the migration towards spago.

# **Phase 1: Initial Tooling**

PureScript's compiler was originally called psc (**P**ure**S**cript **C**ompiler) before later being renamed to purs. (We'll see this psc name reappear elsewhere in a related project).

PureScript did not use npm as a dependency manager because of an issue related to transitive dependencies. Thus, they used bower because it fit their goals/requirements better. (All of this is covered more in the Dependency Managers/Bower Explained.md file).

Bodil Stokke (with later contributions from Harry Garrood) later wrote a tool called pulp that worked with bower and purs to provide a user-friendly developer workflow:

- download your dependencies
- compile, build, and test your project
- publish libraries and their docs
- easily bump the project's version

This is why most of the "core" libraries (PureScript libraries stored under the purescript GitHub organization) still have bower.json files as their dependencies.

### Phase 2: The psc-package Experiment

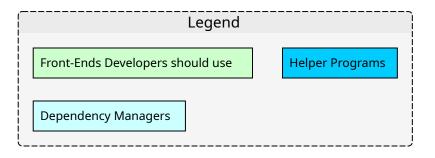
Bower worked fine, but there were a few user-interface issues that made it difficult to use, especially when a new PureScript release was made that included breaking changes.

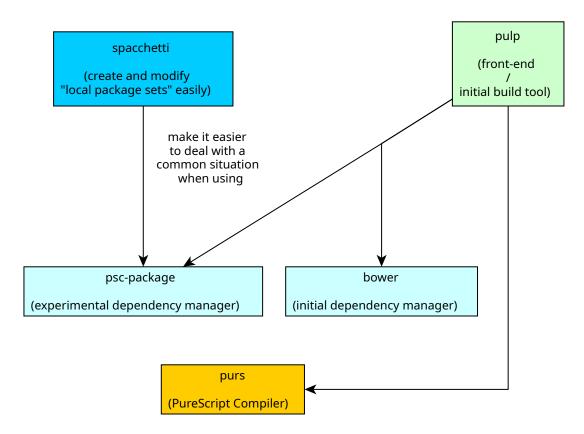
As a result, psc-package was developed as an experimental dependency manager. It solved some of the problems that bower faced. pulp later supported psc-package, so that one could benefit from the simple developer workflow.

However, psc-package encountered its own problems, too. People could not easily create and modify something called a "local package set" (a term that is explained later in the Spago-Explained.md file).

To resolve these problems, Justin Woo started a project called <code>spacchetti</code> (he likes to name his projects via food puns), which made it much easier to create and modify a "local package set."

See the below image to visualize this:

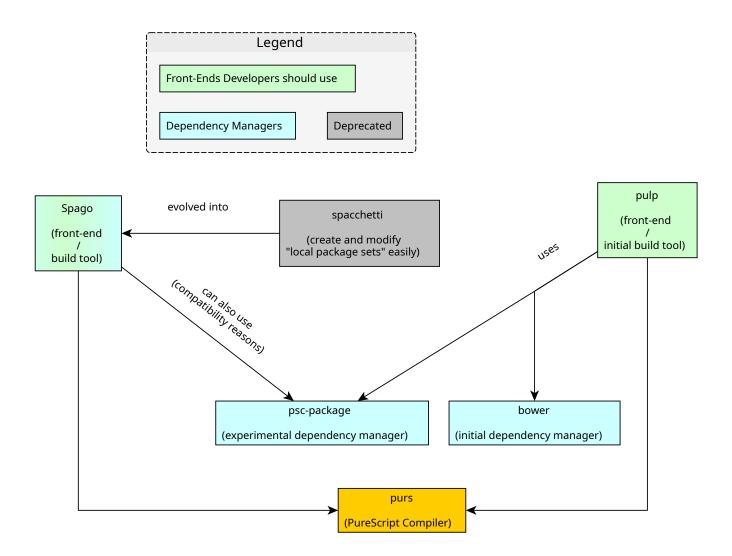




# Phase 3: Improving the psc-package Developer Workflow via Spago

From the above image, one should infer that using <code>pulp</code> and <code>bower</code> was overall easier to use and explain. Thus, Justin Woo and Fabrizo Ferrai started a project called <code>spago</code>. <code>spago</code> evolved out of <code>spacchetti</code> and reimplemented parts of <code>psc-package</code> into one program with a seamless developer workflow. While <code>psc-package</code> can still be used, it became better to use <code>spago</code>.

The below image summarizes the current state:



# Phase 4: Spago becomes mainstream while psc-package is less used

Spago dropped support for psc-package commands in the v0.11.0 release. psc-package was still usable and was more or less feature-complete. However, no further work was being done on it. Rather, Spago had become the main dependency manager when utilizing package-sets.

At this point, part of the community used pulp + bower workflows while the rest used spago workflows. One must still use pulp + bower if they want to do the following:

- publish their library's docs to Pursuit
- include their library in a package set, so spago users can use it

# Phase 5: The need for a PureScript registry (Bower registry no longer accepts new uploads)

The Bower registry stopped accepting new uploads. The community quickly updated their tooling to workaround how libraries are published and installed. However, it was clear that PureScript now needed to create a registry.

Fabrizio Ferrai led the effort to build this registry with significant input from Harry Garrood. The registry is not yet complete, so the community is in this in-between stage. See The bower registry is no longer accepting package submissions for more context.

# Phase 6: Updating JavaScript output to ES modules and delegating bundling to 3rd-party tools

In PureScript 0.15.0, we stopped compiling PureScript source code to CommonJS modules and started compiling to ES modules. As a result, we dropped the buggy and broken bundler provided via purs bundle and instead directed end-users to use 3rd-party bundlers like esbuild, webpack, and parcel. Such bundlers often produced smaller bundles than purs bundle. Moreover, it gave the core team in charge of PureScript one less thing to maintain.

See the 0.15.0 Migration Guide for more details.

# Phase 7: Producing Optimized JavaScript and Compiling to Other Languages

While the Purescript compiler produces correct JavaScript code, there were a number of optimizations that haven't been implemented in the compiler. However, the compiler was designed to output not just JavaScript, but an intermediate representation called <code>CoreFn</code> . This enables others to transform <code>CoreFn</code> to another language.

Soon after the time that PureScript 0.15.4 was released, a new project called pursbackend-es was released. This project works on the CoreFn representation and transforms it to JavaScript. However, it also optimizes the code significantly during this tranformation. For a few example, see the purs and purs-backend-es comparison table in its README.

While this tool's main purpose is to produce optimized JavaScript code, it enables others to produce new backends more easily. A backend is a target language to which PureScript can be compiled. Before this tool, every backend had to reinvent a lot of code to make it work for that language. With the underlying library, purescript-backend-optimizer, one can more easily produce a new backend.

### Phase 8: The Registry and the Spago Rewrite

The Registry's speed of development was lackluster for quite some time. Fortunately, Thomas Honeyman made it a personal goal to see the Registry implemented. Since then, the Registry's development picked up and eventually became useable, although it's still not yet finished.

More recently, Fabrizio decided to rewrite Spago in PureScript. The main advantage of doing this was the ability to leverage the Registry codebase within Spago, allowing for a more seamless publishing workflow among other things. Such work is still on-going as of this writing (Sept 2023). But, the version of Spago written in Haskell is now known as "Spago Legacy" and the version written in PureScript is "Spago Next" because one install spago next via npm i spago@next.

# Spago: Haskell Legacy codebase or PureScript rewrite codebase?

Туре	NPM Package	Versions	Install via	Alternative
Legacy Spago	spago	0.0.1 - 0.21.0	npm i spago	npm i spago-legacy (installs spago@0.21.0 under binary name spago-legacy)
Rewrite Spago	spago	0.92.0 - 0.93.x	npm i spago@next	-

# **Overview of Tools**

Name	Type/Usage	Comments	URL
purs	PureScript Compiler	Used to be called psc	
spago (rewrite)	Build Tool	Front-end to purs; package-set - based or dependency-range - based projects	https://github.com/ purescript/spago

Name	Type/Usage	Comments	URL
spago (legacy)	Build Tool	Front-end to purs and package-set-based projects	https://github.com/ purescript/spago- legacy
pulp	Build Tool	Front-end to purs. Builds & publishes projects (being deprecated)	https://github.com/ purescript-contrib/pulp
bower	Dependency Manager (being deprecated)	<del></del>	https://bower.io/
purs-tidy	PureScript Formatter		https://github.com/ natefaubion/purescript- tidy
purs- backend- es	Produces optimized JavaScript from PureScript	Only intended for production-level usage	https://github.com/ aristanetworks/ purescript-backend- optimizer
psa	Pretty, flexible error/warning frontend for purs		https://github.com/ natefaubion/purescript- psa
pscid	pulpwatch build on steroids	Seems to be a more recent version of psc-pane (see below) and uses	https://github.com/ kRITZCREEK/pscid
psvm-js	PureScript Version Manager		https://github.com/ ThomasCrevoisier/ psvm-js
esbuild	Low-Config bundler		https:// esbuild.github.io/

The following seem to be deprecated or no longer used:

Name	Type/Usage	Comments	URL
psc- package	Dependency Manager		https://github.com/ purescript/psc- package

Name	Type/Usage	Comments	URL
psc-pane	Simplistic auto- reloading REPL- based IDE	No longer used? Last updated 1 year ago	https://github.com/ anttih/psc-pane
gulp- purescript	Gulp-based Build Tool	No longer used? Last updated 1 year ago	https://github.com/ purescript-contrib/ gulp-purescript
Purify		Deprecated in light of psc-package	

For this repo, we will be using spago for our build tool and dependency manager.

# **Dependency Managers**

There are two solutions to dependency management where each has a different 'target audience' per say:

- 1. Bower (library developers)
- 2. Spago (application developers)

The community needs both solutions for reasons that will be explained later.

Each one will be further explained in its own file. However, one can refer to each with a "crude name" that summarizes them:

- Typical package manager (Bower)
- Glorified git clone tool (Spago)

# **Dependency Managers Compared**

This side-by-side comparison should be thought of as an "apples to oranges" comparison.

	Bower	Spago
ldeal User	<ul> <li>Library Developers</li> <li>People exploring the language/ ecosystem</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Application Developers</li> <li>People learning the language via a CI- proven learning material</li> </ul>
Official/ Unofficial	Official (parts of the PureScript compiler depend on it)	Unofficial
Trajectory	Moving away?	Moving towards?
Design Goals	?	See this summary of a project that later "evolved" into Spago
Pros	<ul> <li>Bower is required for one to publish a library's docs to</li> </ul>	One never     experiences the

### **Bower**

# Pursuit

- Bower caches its dependencies, so you can download a version of a package only once and use it everywhere on your system
- It's the "official" dependency manager for Purescript

# Spago aforementioned "transitive dependency conflicts"

- Uses Git to work, which is usually already installed on all systems
- Reliably produces reproducible
   Purescript dependencies
- Reduces verbosity somewhat by omitting the purescriptprefix on PureScript packages

Cons

- When a recent compiler release has been made, one will encounter the 'transitive dependency' issue above quite frequently until all the libraries in the ecosystem are updated to the new release.
   Figuring out which version of a package works with another wastes a lot of time.
- Uses node to work, which may not be installed on all systems
- Doesn't always produce reproducible dependencies due to its caching feature.

- One cannot publish a library's docs to Pursuit.
- Uses more storage space due to duplicating code when one has multiple projects across their system.

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# **Bower Explained**

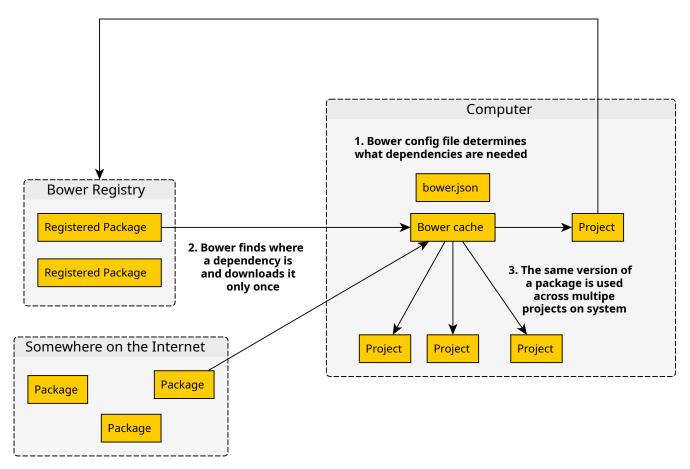
**Note:** The Bower registry has been deprecated. The PureScript community is in the process of creating a registry. When that is done, we will stop using bower entirely. In the meantime, you must still use bower + pulp to publish libraries' docs to Pursuit. One can still use bower as a dependency manager, however, one will need to depend on other libraries using the full repo url in the bower.json file:

```
"dependencies": {
-     "purescript-some-library": "^0.1.0"
+     "purescript-some-library":"https://github.com/githubUser/purescript-some-library#my-branch"
}
```

### What is it?

A typical dependency manager that downloads dependencies from a centralized repository (i.e. Bower Registry) or GitHub.

### 4. Publish package to Bower registry



# Why Use It?

When developing a library, one needs to refer to specific versions of dependencies that do not change over time.

If one uses <code>spago</code>, they can modify the "binary" of the dependency without changing the version to which it refers. For application developers, this can be desirable. Not so for library developers.

Some people prefer bower over spago while others do not. Learn about both and make your decision.

# Why doesn't Purescript use npm?

The following provides a much shorter explanation of Why the PureScript Community Uses Bower

### Short answer:

 Because NPM doesn't produce an error when multiple versions of the same transitive dependency are used.

### Long answer:

- When package child1 requires parent v1.0.0 and package child2 requires parent v2.0.0, NPM, will "nest" the packages, so that the code will compile.
- Should one or both packages export something that exposes parent and our code
  uses it, this will produce a runtime error, either because some API doesn't exist (e.g.
  one version changed/removed some API) or because a pattern match didn't work (e.g.
  an instanceOf check failed due to seeing different types defined in the parent
  package)
- Bower uses "flat" dependencies, so it will notify you that such an issue exists by asking you to choose the library version you want to use to resolve the issue.

# **Problem Points?**

- The issues stated above.
- You must use <code>npm</code> to install any JavaScript libraries for bindings. This is true for <code>bower</code> and <code>spago</code> alike.
- pulp doesn't provide a command that wraps esbuild (e.g. pulp bundle-app) whereas spago does.

### Solution to Most Common Bower Problem: The Cache Mechanism

When in doubt, run the following command, reinstall things, and see if that fixes your issue:

```
# Deletes the 'bower_components' and 'output' directories,
# ensuring that the cache mechanism is not corrupting your build
# and that the next build will be completely fresh.
bower cache clean && rm -rf bower_components/ output/
```

# Horrible User Experience Occurs After a Breaking Change Release

The following issue is happening less and less frequently due to the PureScript language stabilizing, but it still needs to be stated.

### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

**Annoyance Defined** 

If a compiler release that includes breaking changes was released recently, it will take some time for libraries in the ecosystem to become compatible with that release. If you are using Bower as your dependency manager, it may try to install libraries that are not compatible with the new release, creating problems.

### **Recommended Guidelines**

In such circumstances, follow these guidelines to help find the correct version of a library:

- Go to Pursuit and look at the library's package page. Choose one of the library's versions and compare that version's publish date with the date of the compiler release. Those that occur after the compiler release are likely compatible with the new release.
- Since purescript-prelude is a dependency for most libraries, see which version of purescript-prelude the library uses. That should indicate whether it's compatible with a new compiler release or not.
- If all else fails, check the library's last few commit messages in its repository for any messages about updating to the new compiler release.

# **Spago Explained**

### What is it?

A way to use specific versions of libraries that are known to compile together without problems, as verified by CI.

# Why Use It?

spago only allows you to use dependencies that compile together on a specific PureScript release. You do not have to track down which version of a DependencyA to use to ensure it compiles when you also use DependencyB. Moreover, you don't have to verify that DependencyA at v1.0.0 works on PureScript release 0.13.8 instead of 0.11.7.

When a new PureScript release with breaking changes occurs, using bower is painful until the ecosystem "catches up." Since a new release draws in a lot of people, their initial exploration of PureScript when using bower can be horrible.

spago also allows you to

- 'patch' a dependency with your own version
  - fix a bug in its implementation
  - o update a library to a newer PS release if it hasn't been done yet
  - update a library's transitive dependency to a newer release without needing to submit a PR
- add local or cloud-based dependencies not found in the official package set
  - o a project you use frequently, like a custom Prelude library.
  - a project with your preferred aliases to functions/values (i.e. using <!> for map instead of <\$>)

### How does it work?

# **Spago Terms**

### A **package** in this context is 4 things:

- 1. a Git repo
- 2. a tag in that repo
- 3. a set of its dependencies (which are also packages).
- 4. a name to refer to the combination of the above three things

Thus, a package is a unique named repo-tag-dependencies combination (e.g. prelude could indicate the Prelude repo at the 'v4.1.1' tag).

A **package set** consists of a set of packages. It's a JSON-like file that maps a package name to its corresponding repo-tag-dependencies combination. A package set gets **verified** to ensure that its set of packages compiles together on a given PureScript compiler release. Once verified, they are considered "immutable."

A package set includes all dependencies: direct ones and their transitive dependencies. For example, if the set includes the package, PackA, which depends on the package, PackB, the package set must include both packages:

### PackA

```
Version: v1.0.0
```

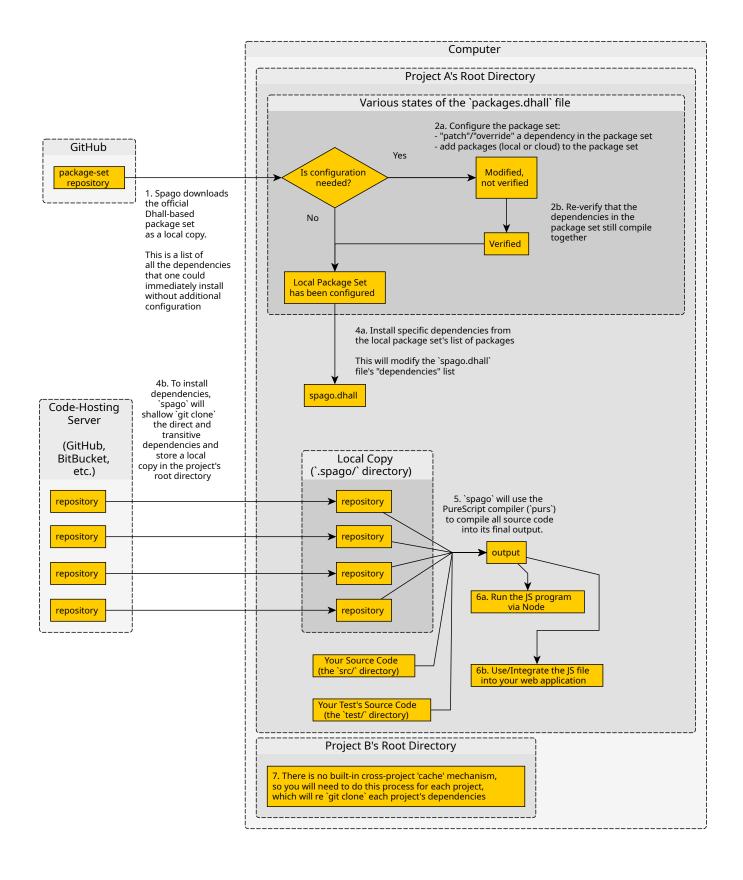
- Repo: https://exampleRepo.com/PackA.git
- Dependencies: ["PackB"] (spago will look up "PackB" in the package set to resolve it)

### • PackB

- Version: v1.0.0
- Repo: https://exampleRepo.com/PackB.git
- Dependencies: [] (no dependencies)

### The Process It Uses

Here's a "big picture" flowchart for what a person does and how it fits into their developer workflow:



# **Problem Points?**

Major

- You cannot use this workflow to develop libraries. Use pulp and bower for that.
- Minor / has workarounds
  - Just like bower, you still need to use npm to install JavaScript libraries for any PureScript bindings. To understand why, see https://github.com/purescript/ spago#why-cant-spago-also-install-my-npm-dependencies

# Why We Need Both

See @hdgarrood 's Thoughts on PureScript package management in 2019.

Below are my thoughts on why we need both. I'm not sure whether this is entirely correct.

Think about what happens when a PureScript release is made that includes breaking changes.

Updating each library in the ecosystem to account for those breaking changes is similar to putting a plant inside a vase with colored water. The colored water will first enter its roots, then go up its branches, and finally appear in every leaf (Kids' experiment explained with photos)

In our above analogy, the purescript-prelude library and other libraries with no dependencies are the "roots" of the ecosystem. As they get updated, the libraries that depend on them (i.e. the "branches") can now be updated. A "leaf" corresponds to a library which has no dependents.

A package set is immutable. Thus, one cannot add to the package set a package that has been updated to the new release unless all of the packages in the package set can also be updated.

During that transitional time, spago cannot help. Rather, we must depend on Bower to slowly update each library to its new version that depends on transitive libraries that have been updated to new versions.

Again, spago is more suited for application developers and bower is more suited for library developers.

# **Spago: From Start to Finish**

The below example uses spago as the build tool and dependency manager.

# Create the project

```
# 1. Sets up the initial files and structure of the project
spago init
```

If you need to override/add packages to the standard package set, proceed to Configure the Package Set. Otherwise, continue to Install Dependencies

### **Configure the Package Set**

```
# 2a) Open the below file, read its top-level comment,
# and follow its instructions to override/add packages
nano packages.dhall

# 2b) When finished, either verify that a single patched/added package
# works with the rest of the set...
spago verify singlePackageName
# or re-verify the entire package set
spago verify-set
```

# Freeze the Package Set

Note: Spago does this automatically now. So, one likely does not need to do this anymore. It is provided for context / historical purposes.

```
# 3) Freeze the package set to prevent security issues.
# For a deeper explanation on what happens here,
# see Dhall's safety guarantees wiki page:
# https://github.com/dhall-lang/dhall-lang/wiki/Safety-guarantees
spago freeze
```

# **Install Dependencies**

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

One of two ways

```
# Install a package from the package set to your project
spago install packageName1 packageName2 # ...
```

### Write the Code

```
# Open the REPL to play with a few ideas or run simple tests
spago repl

# Build the docs
spago docs --open

# Automatically re-build project whenever a source/test file is changed/saved
# and clear the screen before rebuilding
spago build --watch --clear-screen
```

# **Build the Code**

```
# Install all dependencies (if not done so already) and
# compile the code
spago build

# Build a developer-level executable file
spago bundle-app --main Module.Path.To.Main --to dist/index.js
node dist/index.js

# Build a production-level Node-backend file via Parcel
spago bundle-app --main Module.Path.To.Main --to dist/bundle-output.js
parcel build dist/bundle-output.js --target "node" -o app.js
To build a production-level browser-backend file...

# Build a production-level browser-backend file
spago bundle-app --main Module.Path.To.Main --to dist/app.js
```

Create an HTML file (dist/example.html) that references the 'app.js' file

Then use parcel to do minification and open the resulting web page

```
parcel build dist/example.html --target "browser" -o index.html --open
# it'll create a few files in the `dist/` folder and open the resulting
# "dist/index.html" file via your default web browser
```

# **Bower: From Start to Finish**

**Warning:** This code hasn't been checked. Most of it should be correct, but some parts might be wrong.

# **Create the project**

```
One of two ways
```

```
pulp init
```

# **Install dependencies**

```
# Need to install NPM packages and initialize them npm install npm-package1 npm-package2 npm install bower install package1 package2 --save bower install
```

Due to the Bower registry being deprecated, there are some packages that will have to be installed using a longer name format because the library couldn't be uploaded into the Bower registry. While the registry is deprecated, bower can still download the files from GitHub if one uses this longer name format. Harry described how one could do that here and also mentions bower link as another possible option:

```
in bower.json, instead of writing...

"dependencies":{
    "purescript-some-library":"^0.1.0"
}

... you can write
```

```
"dependencies": {
    "purescript-some-library":"https://github.com/githubUser/
purescript-some-library#my-branch"
}
```

you can also use bower link which is similar but gives you a bit more flexibility

### Write the Code

```
# Open the REPL to play with a few ideas or run simple tests
pulp repl

# Automatically re-build project whenever a source file is changed/saved
pulp --watch --before 'clear' build

# Automatically re-test project whenever a source/test file is changed/saved
pulp --watch --before 'clear' test

# Build a developer version
esbuild --bundle --outfile dist/fileName.js output/Main/index.js # if program
# Run the program and pass args to the underlying program
pulp run -- arg1PassedToProgram arg2PassedToProgram
```

### **Publish the Package for the First Time**

See this help page for authors on Pursuit. Its instructions are more authoritative than what follows.

```
# Build the docs
pulp docs -- --format html
# Then read over them to insure there aren't any formatting issues or typos
# Set the initial version
pulp version v0.1.0
# Publish the version
pulp publish
```

# Publish a New Version of an Already-Published Package

```
# Build and check the docs
pulp docs -- --format html

# bump project version
pulp version major
pulp version minor
pulp version patch
# or specify a version
pulp version v1.5.0

# publish it
# Note: you may need to run this command twice.
pulp publish
```

# **Continuous Integration**

This folder contains copy-and-paste-able files that can be used to setup CI using GitHub Actions. Each file works for a different build tool:

- Bower
- Spago (Legacy) the original spago that was written using Haskell
- Spago (Next) the upcoming spago that was written using PureScript

# **Formatters**

# **History**

For the longest time, PureScript did not have a formatter. There are a number of reasons:

- 1. Since PureScript is written in Haskell, people are less likely to contribute since Haskell is still different from PureScript (even if they share similarities).
  - 1. Ideally, PureScript would be written in PureScript. Unfortunately, if PureScript was self-hosted, runtime performance of the purs binary would suffer greatly otherwise. See purescript/purescript-in-purescript, which was stopped after that realization was made.
  - 2. Realistically, a formatter could be written in Haskell and reuse the PureScript language's parser. However, then less people would contribute as not everyone is familiar with Haskell
  - 3. If a formatter was written in PureScript, it would get more contributions. However, it would have to reimplement the PureScript language's parser and stay in sync with any changes made to the language. Moreover, it would likely be slower than writing it in a lower-level language (e.g. Haskell).
- 2. Writing a formatter is very hard to do. It's typically a feat not done by your beginner or everyday programmer.
- 3. Once written, maintainers can burn out because many individuals will want configuration added (e.g. "it should indent A in situation Y exactly N spaces but only M spaces in situation Z"). If the configuration is not added, people complain. If it is added, others might later complain about how it has TOO much configuration. Either way, it's typically the maintainer who adds the feature and those who want it don't contribute.

The first formatter written was purty. This formatter was written in Haskell. It was the only formatter for a number of years. Some in the community chose to use it while others did not.

Around March/April 2021, @natefaubion wrote a PureScript implementation of the PureScript language's parser: natefaubion/purescript-language-cst-parser.

The second and third formatters, purs-tidy and pose, respectively, were announced around the same time in August 2021. Both projects were under developement without knowing about each other. purs-tidy is a standalone formatter whereas pose is a plugin for the Prettier formatter. Between these two, we recommend using purs-tidy.

# **Current Formatters**

Formatter	Language	Author	<b>Initial Announcement</b>
purs- tidy	PureScript	@natefaubion	Announcing purs-tidy: a syntax tidy-upper for PureScript
pose	PureScript	@Zelenaya/@i- am-the-slime	Tiny announcement: yet another PureScript formatter
purtv	Haskell	@ioneshf	Purty 1.0.0 released

# **Syntax**

This folder contains compileable Purescript syntax using meta-language (a language that describes the syntax). Thus, rather than saying something like

```
f :: String -> Int
```

which doesn't tell you anything, it'll say:

```
functionName :: ParameterType -> ReturnType
```

Since the syntax can be compiled, it can be verified as valid and correct syntax.

As a result, most files will appear like so:

```
-- The module will be declared at the top of the file
-- It can be ignored.
module Syntax.ModuleName where
-- The Prelude module might be imported
-- It, too, can be ignored.
import Prelude
-- The thing that the file is documenting usually goes here.
-- Don't ignore this stuff.
data Box a = Box a
-- Sometimes the comment "necessary to compile" will appear.
-- It makes the meta-language compileable. Ignore everything underneath it
-- as you read through the files.
-- necessary to compile
type SomeTypeName = String
```

If you want to play around with the syntax, follow these instructions:

- 1. Go to a directory that has a spago.dhall file (otherwise, the rest of these commands won't work)
- 2. Install the dependencies: spago install
- 3. Start a REPL or build the files with watching (refer to the table below)

Command	Ideal Usage	Other Comments
spago repl	Play with <10 lines of	Edit .purs-repl and add import ModuleName to automatically import that module whenver

Command	Ideal Usage	Other Comments
	syntax	you run this command
spago build watch	Test out 10+ lines of syntax	Saving a file after running this command will re-compile the project

### **Basic Syntax**

Read through these files in their order. To further grasp the concept, write your own version of the code and see if it still compiles by running:

```
spago build
```

To see what the documentation looks like, run this command:

```
spago docs --open
```

The above command will generate the docs, and then open the file, ./generated-docs/index.html.

### **00-Comments.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Comments where

-- This is a single-line comment
-- Anything past the "--" syntax on a line is regarded as a comment

{-
This is a multi-line comment
Anything between the bracket-dash syntax is regarded as a multi-line comment
-}

{- It can also be used to add a comment in-between stuff -}
```

## 01-Value-Function-Data-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax. Meta where
-- This file simply shows enough syntax so that the
-- explanation on Kinds (next) makes sense.
-- entity_name :: Type Signature
-- entity_name = definition
integer_value :: Int
integer_value = 5
string_value :: String
string_value = "this is text"
-- | In other words...
-- | var one_arg_function = function (argument) {
    return bodyThatReturnsType;
-- | };
one_arg_function :: ParameterType -> ReturnType
one_arg_function argument = bodyThatReturnsType
-- Below is an Algebraic Data Type. We'll explain these more later.
-- Here, we declare a type called `Type_Used_In_Functions_Type_Signatures`,
-- which has two implementations. The type is used in an entity's
-- Type Signatures while the implementations are used in an entity's
-- definition
data Type_Used_In_Functions_Type_Signatures
  = Constructor1_of_Type
  Constructor2_of_Type
example1 :: Type_Used_In_Functions_Type_Signatures
example1 = Constructor1_of_Type
example2 :: Type_Used_In_Functions_Type_Signatures
example2 = Constructor2_of_Type
-- A "box" that can store only Ints
data Box_That_Stores_Ints = Box Int
example3 :: Box_That_Stores_Ints
example3 = Box 4
example4 :: Int -> Box_That_Stores_Ints
example4 x = Box x
-- A "box" type that can store values of another type.
data Box_That_Stores anotherType = Box_Storing anotherType
example5 :: Box_That_Stores Int
```

```
example5 = Box_Storing 4
example6 :: Int -> Box_That_Stores Int
example6 x = Box_Storing x
-- Look! An outer Box that stores an inner Box, that stores an Int
example7 :: Box_That_Stores (Box_That_Stores Int)
example7 = Box_Storing (Box_Storing 4)
-- The "forall someType." syntax will be explained later. It's needed here
-- to make this code compile. You can read example8's type signature as
-- "If you give me a value that has a given type, which I'll refer to as
-- `someType`, then I can give you back a Box that stores a value of
-- `someType`."
example8 :: forall someType. someType -> Box_That_Stores someType
example8 valueWhoseTypeIs_'someType' = Box_Storing valueWhoseTypeIs_'someType'
-- necessary to make this file compile
type ValueType = String
type ParameterType = String
type ParameterType1 = String
type ParameterType2 = String
type ReturnType = String
bodyThatReturnsType :: ReturnType
bodyThatReturnsType = "return value"
bodyOfFunction :: ReturnType
bodyOfFunction = "body of inline function"
```

### **Explaining Kinds**

This code...

```
function :: Int -> String
function x = "an integer value!"
```

... translates to, "I cannot give you a concrete value (i.e. String) until you give me an Int value."

Similarly, this code...

```
data Box a = Box a
```

... translates to, "I cannot give you a concrete type (e.g. Box Int, a box that stores an Int value (rather than a String value or some other value)) until you tell me what a is."

Let's rewrite the above Box type. Things on the left of the = indicate type information. Things on the right of the = indicate value information.

```
{-
| Type information | Value information | -}
data BoxType a = BoxValue a
```

The above code now says, "I cannot give you a concrete type (e.g. BoxType Int) until you tell me what a is." Let's assume that a is Int. We would say that BoxValue 4 is a value whose type is BoxType Int.

#### What are Kinds and Kind Signatures?

Kinds = "How many more types do I need defined before I have a 'concrete' type?"^^

^^ This is a "working definition." There's more to it than that when one considers type-level programming, but for now, this will suffice."

We saw earlier that we annotate functions with type signatures via ->:

```
-- ||

-- \/

function :: Int -> String

function x = "an integer value!"
```

The -> indicates that the thing to the right (i.e. String) cannot be produced until it is given the thing to the left of it (i.e. Int).

Type signatures annotate value-level entities like values (i.e. 4 or BoxValue) and functions. Kind signatures annotate type-level entities like BoxType. They are basically type signatures for types, not values.

# of types that still need to be defined	Special Name	Their "kind signature" (Purescript)^^	Their "kind signature" (Haskell)^^
0	Concrete Type	Туре	*
1	Higher- Kinded Type (by 1)	Type -> Type	* -> *
2	Higher- Kinded Type (by 2)	Type -> Type ->	* -> * -> *
n	Higher- Kinded Type (by n)	Type> Type	*> *

^^ These columns are right-aligned to show that the right-most Type / \* is the "concrete" type. Also, the ... Type ... -> Type (and its Haskell equivalent) syntax is not real syntax but merely conveys the recursive idea in an n-kinded type. The other three (0 - 2) are real syntax.

#### **Concrete Types**

Concrete types can usually be written with literal values:

```
integerValue :: Int
integerValue = 1

(1 :: Int) -- this is notation for saying that `1` is a value of type, `Int`.

stringValue :: String
stringValue = "a literal string"

("a literal string" :: String)

data BoxType a = BoxValue a

boxWithOneIntValue :: BoxType Int
boxWithOneIntValue = BoxValue 4

((BoxValue 4) :: BoxType Int)

arrayOfIntsValue :: Array Int
arrayOfIntsValue = [1, 2, 3]

([1, 2, 3] :: Array Int)
```

#### **Higher-Kinded Types**

Higher-kinded types are those that still need one or more types to be defined.

```
-- Kind Signature: Type -> Type
-- Reason: the `a` type needs to be defined
data Box a = Box a
-- This is the same definition as above.
-- However, the kind signature of the above `Box` definition is implicit.
-- The below definition has an explicit kind signature.
data BoxType :: Type -> Type
data BoxType a = BoxValue a
-- As we can see, there can be many different concrete 'Box' types
-- depending on what 'a' is:
boxedInt :: Box Int
boxedInt = Box 4
boxedString :: Box String
boxedString = Box "string"
boxedBoxedInt :: Box (Box Int)
boxedBoxedInt = Box boxedInt
```

We can make the type's kind higher by adding more types that need to be specified. For example:

```
-- A box that holds two values of same or different types!
-- Kind Signature: `Type -> Type -> Type`
data BoxOfTwo a b = BoxOfTwo a b
data BoxOfTwo_ExplicitKindSignature :: Type -> Type
data BoxOfTwo_ExplicitKindSignature a b = BoxOfTwoValue a b
-- The below syntax is not valid because it is missing `forall a b.`,
     but it gets the idea across. The "forall" syntax will be covered later.
higherKindedBy2 :: a -> b -> BoxOfTwo a b
higherKindedBy2 a b = BoxOfTwo a b
-- We can lower the kind by specifying one of the data types:
higherKindedBy1L :: b -> BoxOfTwo Int b
higherKindedBy1L b = BoxOfTwo 3 b
higherKindedBy1R :: a -> BoxOfTwo a String
higherKindedBy1R a = BoxOfTwo a "a string value"
concreteType :: BoxOfTwo Int String
concreteType = BoxOfTwo 3 "a string value"
```

Generic types can also be split across the values of a type:

```
-- It's either an A or it's a B, but not both!
-- Kind signature is implicit: `Type -> Type > Type`
data Either a b
  = Left a
  | Right b
data Either_ExplicitKindSignature :: Type -> Type
data Either_ExplicitKindSignature a b
  = Left a
  | Right b
higherKindedBy2L :: a -> b -> Either a b
higherKindedBy2L a b = Left a
higherKindedBy2R :: a -> b -> Either a b
higherKindedBy2R a b = Right b
higherKindedBy1L_ignoreB :: b -> Either Int b
higherKindedBy1L_ignoreB b = Left 3
higherKindedBy1L_useB :: b -> Either Int b
higherKindedBy1L_useB b = Right b
higherKindedBy1L_ignoreBoth :: a -> b -> Either Int b
higherKindedBy1L_ignoreBoth a b = Left 3
```

Either (where the a and b are not yet specified) has kind Type -> Type -> Type because it cannot become a concrete type until both a and b types are defined, even if only constructing one of its values whose generic type is known.

In other words

```
allSpecified :: Either Int String
allSpecified = Right "foo"
{-
(value)
-}
(Right "foo")
{-
(value :: Type
(Right "foo" :: Either Int String)
{-
                              ) :: Kind)
((value :: Type
((Right "foo" :: Either Int String) :: Type)
((value :: Type
                             ) :: Kind
-}
((Right "foo" :: Either a String) :: Type -> Type)
```

#### **Table of Inferred Types**

	Inferred kind
Unit	Туре
Array Boolean	Туре
Array	Type -> Type
Either Int String	Туре
Either Int b	Type -> Type
Either a String	Type -> Type
Either	Type -> Type -> Type

## 03-The-Prim-Module.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.PrimitiveTypesAndKinds where
import Prelude
The following file documents the Prim module. This module is imported
by default into every PureScript file (unless one hides it using Module
aliases,
which are described in the Module Syntax folder) and is embedded in the
compiler itself to provide value literals for certain types and syntax sugar.
See the full documenation here:
https://pursuit.purescript.org/builtins/docs/Prim
This file will document all the types whose kind signature is `Type`.
Their kind signatures aren't that important at this level in your
understanding.
Note: To prevent conflicts between the real code and this compileable file,
we're appending underscores to the types. Remove the underscore to get the
real thing in Purescript.
In other words
Purescript:
                   DataType :: Kind
This example: data DataType_ -- Kind
-}
data Number_ -- Type -- double-precision float number
exampleNumber1 :: Number
exampleNumber1 = 1.0
-- negative values must be wrapped in parenthesis:
exampleNumber2 :: Number
exampleNumber2 = (-1.0)
data Int_ -- Type
exampleInt1 :: Int
exampleInt1 = 1
exampleInt2 :: Int
exampleInt2 = 0x01 -- alternative way to write them
exampleInt3 :: Int
exampleInt3 = 1_{000}_{000} -- use underscores for thousands character
-- negative values must be wrapped in parenthesis:
exampleInt4 :: Int
exampleInt4 = (-1)
exampleInt5 :: Int
exampleInt5 = (-0x01)
```

```
exampleInt6 :: Int
exampleInt6 = (-1_000_000)
data Boolean_ -- Type
exampleTrue :: Boolean
exampleTrue = true
exampleFalse :: Boolean
exampleFalse = false
{-
Note: The Boolean data type is used via true/false literal values instead of
True/False constructors as one might expect, especially those coming from
where such a simple data type would be defined as:
data Boolean = True | False
In Purescript, having Javascript as the main compilation target, the decision
made to use true/false literal values for the Boolean data type instead of
having it be defined as a simple Algebric Data Type (ADT) as is the case in
Haskell.
-}
data Char_ -- Type -- doesn't support astral plane characters (code points >
0xFFFF)
exampleChar :: Char
exampleChar = 'c'
unicodeA :: Char
unicodeA = '\x0061'
-- Astral plane characters (i.e. those with code point values greater than
-- `OxFFFF`) cannot be represented as `Char` values.
unicodeChar :: Char
unicodeChar = '\xFFFF'
unicodeChar2 :: Char
unicodeChar2 = '\xffff'
data String_ -- Type
literal_string_syntax :: String
literal_string_syntax = "literal string value"
-- Follows this regex pattern: \x[0-9a-fA-F]{1,6}
unicode_hex_escape_syntax :: String
unicode_hex_escape_syntax = "\xa4"
```

```
-- Syntax sugar for Strings
slashy_string_syntax :: String
slashy_string_syntax =
 "Enables multi-line strings that \
  \use slashes \
            \regardless of indentation \
    \and regardless of vertical space between them \
    \(though you can't put comments in that blank vertical space)"
    { -
    "This will fail \
    -- oh look a comment that breaks this!
    \to compile."
    -}
triple_quote_string_syntax :: String
triple_quote_string_syntax = """
 Multi-line string syntax that also ignores escaped characters, such as
  * . $ []
 It's useful for regular expressions
-- Higher-Kinded Types
data Array_ -- Type -> Type
arrayOfStrings :: Array String
arrayOfStrings = ["string1", "string2"]
arrayOfInts :: Array Int
arrayOfInts = [0, 1, 2, 3]
-- The "forall a." syntax will be explained later. It's needed here
-- to make this code compile
array_of_one_A :: forall a. a -> Array a
array_of_one_A a = [a]
data Function_ -- Type (parameter type) -> Type (return type) -> Type
-- In other words, give me the parameter type and the return type,
    and I'll have a concrete type
function_no_syntax_sugar :: Function Int Int
function_no_syntax_sugar = (\x -> x + 4)
function_with_syntax_sugar1 :: (Int -> Int)
function_with_syntax_sugar1 = (\x -> x + 4)
function_with_syntax_sugar2 :: Int -> Int
function_with_syntax_sugar2 = (\x -> x + 4)
function_with_syntax_sugar3 :: Int -> Int
function_with_syntax_sugar3 x = x + 4
```

## 01-Defining-Values-and-Functions.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.ValuesAndFunctions where
import Prelude
-- This file simply shows the syntax for how to define
-- values and types
-- A zero-arg function cannot exist in FP programming*
-- Thus, it counts as a static value
literal_value :: ValueType
literal_value = "literal value"
-- * function :: Unit -> ReturnType is as close as one can get to a
-- zero-arg function in functional programming. Unit will be explained later
-- in the "Hello World" folder.
result_of_function :: Int
result_of_function = 4 + 5 -- 9
one_arg_function :: ParameterType -> ReturnType
one_arg_function argument = bodyThatReturnsType
two_arg_function :: ParameterType1 -> ParameterType2 -> ReturnType
two_arg_function argument1 argument2 = bodyThatReturnsType
n_arg_function :: ParameterType1 -> {- ... ParameterTypeN -> ... -} ReturnType
n_arg_function arg1 {- arg2 arg3 ... argN -} = bodyThatReturnsType
function_using_inline_syntax :: (Int -> Int)
function_using_inline_syntax = (\x -> x + 4)
                                          {- function -}
function_that_takes_a_function :: Int -> (Int -> String) -> String
function_that_takes_a_function i f = f i
                                            {- function -}
function_that_returns_a_function :: Int -> (Int -> Int)
function_that_returns_a_function x = (\y \rightarrow y + x)
-- Note: a "higher order function" either takes a function as an argument
-- or returns a function
-- examples
takes_a_function :: String
takes_a_function =
  function_that_takes_a_function 3 (\x -> show x)
  -- show: converts `Int` to `String`
  -- outputs: "3"
returns_a_function :: Int
returns_a_function =
  (function_that_returns_a_function 4) 10
```

```
-- outputs: 14
-- reason: (\10 -> 10 + 4)

-- necessary to make this file compile

type ValueType = String
type ParameterType = String
type ParameterType1 = String
type ParameterType2 = String
type ReturnType = String

bodyThatReturnsType :: ReturnType
bodyThatReturnsType = "return value"

bodyOfFunction :: ReturnType
bodyOfFunction = "body of inline function"
```

## **02-Function-Currying.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Function.Currying where
-- Remember this function?
one_arg_function_syntax_sugar :: ParameterType -> ReturnType
one_arg_function_syntax_sugar argument = bodyThatReturnsType
-- it's syntax sugar for
one_arg_function_no_syntax_sugar :: Function ParameterType ReturnType
one_arg_function_no_syntax_sugar argument = bodyThatReturnsType
-- Which means this function...
two_arg_function0 :: ParameterType1 -> ParameterType2 -> ReturnType
two_arg_function0 argument1 argument2 = bodyThatReturnsType
-- is in a "curried" form. In reality, it's
two_arg_function1 :: ParameterType1 -> (ParameterType2 -> ReturnType)
two_arg_function1 argument1 argument2 = bodyThatReturnsType
-- or without syntax sugar
two_arg_function2 :: Function ParameterType1 (ParameterType2 -> ReturnType)
two_arg_function2 argument1 argument2 = bodyThatReturnsType
-- and removing the last one
two_arg_function3 :: Function ParameterType1 (Function ParameterType2
ReturnType)
two_arg_function3 argument1 argument2 = bodyThatReturnsType
{-
In other words, give me an argument (ParameterType1) and I'll return a
  function (ParameterType2 -> ReturnType). If you give that function
  a parameter (ParameterType2), then it'll give you the ReturnType.
Since this happens in the background, we don't usually need to think about
  it, but it is an important distinction to make as it creates the following
  Javascript code:
two_arg_function = function (ParameterType1) -> {
  return function (ParameterType2) -> {
    return bodyThatReturnsType;
 }
}
-}
-- necessary to compile
type ParameterType = String
type ParameterType1 = String
type ParameterType2 = String
type ReturnType = String
bodyThatReturnsType :: String
bodyThatReturnsType = "body"
```

### 03-Abbreviated-Function-Body.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Function.BodyAbbreviation where
import Prelude
-- if the body of a function is another function that expects an argument,
-- one can omit the argument entirely.
      Note: 'show' converts a value of most types into a `String` value.
function_normal
                     :: Int -> String
function_normal
                            = show
      is the same as ...
function_abbreviated :: Int -> String
function_abbreviated {- x -} = show {- x -}
      which is better written as ...
function_abbreviated2 :: Int -> String
function_abbreviated2 = show
-- example
exampleAbbreviation2 :: Boolean
exampleAbbreviation2 = (function_abbreviated2 4) == "4"
-- Going from "function_normal" to "function_abbreviated2" is called
-- "eta-reduction".
-- Goind from "function_abbreviated2" to "function_normal" is called
-- "eta-expansion" or "eta-abstraction"
warning :: String
warning = """
Sometimes, using an abbreviated function / eta-reduction will cause problems.
See this issue for more details:
https://github.com/purescript/purescript/issues/950
To fix it, just un-abbreviate the function body by eta-expanding it
(i.e. include the argument):
-- change this:
f :: Int -> String
f = show
-- to
f' :: Int -> String
f' x = show x
```

## 04-Keyword--Data.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Keyword.Data where
-- Basic syntax for the `data` keyword
-- For most of these examples, we will not need to use explicit kind
signatures.
data Singleton_no_Args = SingletonConstructor
data Singleton_with_Args = SingletonConstructor2 Arg1 Arg2 ArgN
data Singleton_with_Function_Arg
  = SingletonConstructor3 (ParameterType -> ReturnType)
data Type_with_Many_Implmementations
  = Implementation1
  | Implementation2
  | ImplementationN
data Type_with_Generic_Types aType bType
  = Stores_A aType
  | Stores_B bType
  | Stores_A_and_B aType bType
-- We can refer to various parts in these definitions by the following names.
-- Wherever a name appears, that's what you would call it if you were talking
-- to someone else about it. In this example, we will need a kind signature
-- because `typeParameter` isn't used in the data constructor.
data TypeConstructor :: Type -> Type
data TypeConstructor typeParameter = DataConstructor
-- This syntax enables Algebraic Data Types (ADTs)
-- For an explanation on how 'data types' can be 'algebraic,' see this video:
-- https://youtu.be/Up7LcbGZFuo?t=19m8s
-- 2 basic version of ADTs: sum type and product type
-- the sum type
data SumType
  = SumConstructor1
  SumConstructor2
  SumConstructorN
-- example
data Fruit
  = Apple
  Banana
  Orange
-- the product type
data ProductType a b = ProductConstructor a b
```

```
-- example
data IntAndString = IAndS Int String
-- Intermediate/Advance syntax
-- given this code
data Box a = Box a
-- then...
data Type_with_Nested_Types
 = SingleBox Int
 | NestedBox1 (Box Int)
 | NestedBox2 (Box (Box Int)) -- outer Box's "a" is "(Box Int)"
data Type_with_Higher_Kinded_Type f = TypeValue (f Int)
typeWithHigherKindedTypeExample :: Type_with_Higher_Kinded_Type Box
typeWithHigherKindedTypeExample = TypeValue (Box 4)
data Type_with_Higher_Kinded_Generic_Type higherKindedBy1 a
 = MyConstructor (higherKindedBy1 a)
 | OtherC (higherKindedBy1 Int)
data Type_with_Higher_Kinded_Generic_Type2 higherKindedBy2 a b
 = MyConstructor2 (higherKindedBy2 a b)
 | OtherCInt (higherKindedBy2 Int b)
 | OtherCIntString (higherKindedBy2 Int String)
-- In the next two examples, we need an explicit kind signature.
-- The reason will become more evident in later files, but you will
-- understand it in full when you read through the Type-Level Syntax folder
-- Since `a` and `b` aren't defined here, we need an explicit kind signature
data Type_With_HigherKindedByTwo_Generic
 :: (Type -> Type -> Type) -- higherKindedBy2
                         -- a
 -> Type
 -> Type
 -> Type
                         -- the "concrete" type
data Type_With_HigherKindedByTwo_Generic higherKindedBy2 a b
 = Example (higherKindedBy2 a b)
-- Since `ignoredType` isn't used in one of the data constructors
-- we need an explicit kind signature.
data Type_whose_implementations_ignore_generic_type :: Type -> Type
data Type_whose_implementations_ignore_generic_type ignoredType
 = Constructor_without_generic_type
 Other_Constructor_no_generic_type Int String
data Type_with_no_implementation -- no equals sign followed by right-hand-side
```

```
data Recursive_Type
  = No_Recursion_Here
  Recursion_Here Recursive_Type
-- Recursion_Here (Recursion_Here (No_Recursion_Here))
data Recursive_type_with_generic_type a
  = End_Recursion_Here
  Recursion_Here__Store_A a (Recursive_type_with_generic_type a)
{-
Recursion_Here__Store_A "first"
  (Recursion_Here__Store_A "second"
    End_Recursion_Here)
-}
-- Full Syntax
-- Here we need a kind signature because `ignored` does not appear
-- in any of the below data constructors.
data DataType :: Type -> Type -> (Type -> Type) -> Type -> Type
data DataType aType bType hktBy1 ignored
  = NoArgs
  Args Type1 Type2 Type3
  | FunctionArg (Type1 -> Type2)
  | NestedArg (Box Int)
  | DoubleNestedArg (Box (Box Int))
  | HigherKindedGenericType1 (hktBy1 Int)
  | HigherKindedGenericType2 (hktBy1 aType)
  | Recursive (DataType aType bType hktBy1 ignored)
  ArgMix Type_ (A -> B) bType (DataType aType bType hktBy1 ignored)
-- Necessary for this to compile
type Type1 = Int
type Type2 = Int
type Type3 = Int
type Type_ = Int
type A = Int
type B = Int
type Arg1 = Int
type Arg2 = Int
type ArgN = Int
type ParameterType = Int
type ReturnType = Int
```

# 05-Pattern-Matching-in-Functions.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.PatternMatching where
import Prelude
-- Given a data type like this:
data Fruit
 = Apple
  0range
  Banana
  Cherry
  | Tomato -- because why not!?
-- Pattern Matching: Basic idea and order of matching
mkString :: Fruit -> String {-
        if the arg is _ = then return _ -}
                       = "apple"
mkString Apple
{- else if the arg is _ = then return _ -}
mkString Orange
                       = "orange"
{- else if the arg is _ = then return _ -}
                       = "banana"
mkString Banana
{- else if the arg is _ = then return _ -}
mkString Cherry = "cherry"
{- else if the arg is _ = then return _ -}
mkString Tomato = "tomato"
-- The above pattern match is "exhaustive" because there are no other
-- Fruit values against which one could match.
-- Pattern Matching: Literal values and catching all values
literalValue :: String -> String
literalValue "a" = "Return this string if arg is 'a'"
literalValue "b" = "Return this string if arg is 'b'"
literalValue "c" = "Return this string if arg is 'c'"
literalValue _ = "ignore input and return this default value"
-- syntax sugar for pattern-matching literal arrays
array :: Array Int -> String
           = "an empty array"
array []
array [0]
                = "an array with one value that is 0"
array [0, 1] = "an array with two values, 0 and 1"
array [0, 1, a, b] = "an array with four values, starting with 0 and 1 \
                     \ and binding the third and fouth to names 'a' and 'b'"
array [-1, _] = "an array of two values, '-1' and another value that \
                     \ will not be used in the body of this function."
array _
                  = "catchall for arrays. This is needed to make this \
                      \ example compile"
```

```
-- Pattern Matching: Unwrapping Data Constructors
data A_Type
  = AnInt Int
  Outer A_Type -- recursive type!
  Inner Int
f :: A_Type -> String {-
-- Syntax
f patternMatch = bodyToRunIfPatternWasMatched
 where 'patternMatch' is:
    - literal value
   - DataConstructorWithNoArgs
   (DataConstructor withArgBoundToThisBinding)

    (DataConstructor "with arg whose value is this literal value")

   - bindingForEntireValue@(literalValue)
    - bindingForEntireValue@(DataConstructorWithNoArgs)
   bindingForEntireValue@(DataConstructor withArgBoundToThisBinding)
    - bindingForEntireValue@(DataConstructor "with arg whose value is this
literal value")
-- Example
f the pattern match = description of what was matched -}
f (Inner 0)
                       = "a value of type Inner whose value is 0"
                       = "a value of type Inner, binding its value to 'int' \
f (Inner int)
                          \name for usage in function body"
f (Outer (Inner int)) = "a value of type Outer, whose Inner value is bound \
                          \to `int` name for usage in function body"
f object@(AnInt 4)
                        = "a value of type AnInt whose value is '4', \
                          \binding the entire object to the `object` name for \
                          \usage in function body"
                        = "ignores input and matches everything; \
f _
                          \acts as a default / catch all case"
-- Pattern Matching: Regular Guards
g :: Int -> Int -> String {-
g x y | condition1 = return this if condition1 is true
      | condition2 = return this if condition2 is true
                  = ...
      | conditionN = return this if conditionN is true
      | otherwise = default case-}
g \times y \mid x + y == 0 = "x == -y"
      | x - y == 0 = "x == y"
      | x * y == 0 = "x == 0 | | y == 0"
      otherwise = "some other value"
-- Pattern Matching: Single and Multiple Guards
h :: Int -> Int -> String
h x y | x == 4 && y == 5 = "body"
   -- ... same as...
```

```
-- \mid x == 4 \&\& y == 6 = "body"`
      | x == 4, y == 6 = "body"
   -- | condition1, condition2 = body
      | x == 4, y == 6 = "body"
  {- ... or when using syntax sugar...
      | condition1
      , condition2 = body -}
      x == 3
                        = "body"
      y == 2
-- It's wise to separate mulitple guards with a blank line for readability.
      | otherwise = "default"
-- Pattern Matching: Single Pattern Guard
j :: Int -> String {-
j x | returnedValue <- function arg1 arg2 argN = body if match occurs -}</pre>
j \times (Box 2) \leftarrow toBox \times = "Calling toBox \times returned a Box with 2 inside of it"
    | (Box y) <- toBox x = concat "The 'y' value was: " (toString y)
-- Pattern Matching: Multiple Pattern Guards
p :: Int -> Int -> String {-
p x y | returnedValue1 <- functionCall1, returnedValue2 <- functionCall2 = body</pre>
-}
p x y | (Box 2) <- toBox x, (Box 3) <- toBox (x - 1) = "without syntax sugar"
{- ... or for easier reading, there is sugar syntax:
p x y | returnedValue1 <- functionCall1</pre>
      , returnedValue2 <- functionCall2 = body -}</pre>
      | (Box a) <- toBox x
      , (Box b) \leftarrow toBox (x * 2) = "with syntax sugar"
      otherwise = "some other value"
-- Different guards can be mixed:
q :: Int -> Int -> String
                                 = "3"
q \times y \mid x == 3
      | x == 5, y == 5
                                = "5"
      | (Box 2) <- toBox x
                                 = "2?"
      | (Box 2) \leftarrow toBox x
      , y == 4
                                  = "curious, no?"
      | (Box a) <- toBox x
      , (Box b) \leftarrow toBox (y * 2) = "something?"
                                = "catch-all"
      | otherwise
-- necessary for this to compile
data Box a = Box a
toBox :: Int -> Box Int
```

```
toBox 1 = Box 2
toBox _ = Box 0

concat :: String -> String -> String
concat left right = left <> right

toString :: forall a. Show a => a -> String
toString = show
```

## **01-Typed-Holes.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.SpecialCompilerFeatures.Holes where
{-
Original credit: @paf31 / @kritzcreek
Link: https://github.com/paf31/24-days-of-purescript-2016/blob/
master/23.markdown
Changes made:
- use meta-language to explain syntax and give a few very simple examples
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Sometimes, when writing code, we're not always sure which function/value
we should use. In such cases, we can use a feature called
"Typed Holes" / "Type Directed Search" to ask the compiler to tell us
what it thinks should go there.
This feature can often be very helpful when debugging a compiler error
or when exploring a new library for the first time.
Syntax:
`?placeholderName`
Replace the function/value you want the compiler to suggest for you with
the above syntax.
-}
-- Note to self: don't delete this as functions from Prelude will be suggested
below
import Prelude
warning :: String
warning =
  11 11 11
  When we compile our code and it includes a hole,
  the compiler will output a compiler error.
  The error message will include the compiler's guess as to what should
  be put there.
  Since this outputs a compiler error, we have to comment out the following
  to make this project build on Travis CI and on local computers
  Uncomment the following examples, one at a time, and then build the folder to
  see how it works
```

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```
-- This example will show what the type signature for "?placeholder_name"
-- should be.
-- example1 :: Int -> String
-- example1 i = ?placeholder_name i
-- Caveats: While this file has 2 "holes," the second one will not be reported
-- by the compiler because it produces an error at the first hole. Thus,
-- this feature can only be used once in a project per compilation.
-- notice the infix notation used here via the backticks
-- example2 :: String
-- example2 = "hello" `?I_Don't_know` " world"
-- example3 :: Int
-- example3 = 1 + ?what_could_this_be
```

### 02-Typed-Wildcards.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.SpecialCompilerFeatures.TypedWildcards where
{-
Sometimes, when writing code, we're not always sure what type something
should be in a type signature.
In such cases, we can use a feature called "typed wildcards"
to ask the compiler to tell us which type it thinks should go there.
This feature can often be very helpful when debugging a compiler error
or when exploring a new library for the first time.
Typed Wildcards can be either unnamed ("_") or named "?name".
Named typed wildcards will emit a compiler error whereas
unnamed typed wildcards will emit a compiler warning.
-}
someValue :: _ -- unnamed typed wildcard
someValue =
 11 11 11
 The '_' character above is an unnamed typed wildcard
  It will produce a compiler warning whose message will include
  the compiler's guess as to what goes there.
  ** ** **
-- Uncomment the below code and then rebuild the folder to see what happens
-- someValue2 :: ?TellMeTheType
-- someValue2 =
    The "?name" syntax above is a named typed wildcard.
     It will produce a compiler error whose message will include
     the compiler's guess as to which type goes there.
```

# 41-Typed-Holes-On-Complex-Expressions.purs

```
-- This module uses syntax that hasn't been explained this far into
-- this reference work. It'll make more sense after one understands
-- - Let bindings (e.g. `example1` and `example2`)
-- - do notation (e.g. `example4`)
-- - ado notation (e.g. `example5`)
module Syntax.Basic.SpecialCompilerFeatures.HolesOnComplexExpressions where
import Prelude
-- The previous examples in this folder showed
-- how to use typed holes in one direction:
      `Type Signature --> Expression`
-- This workflow helps one know what expression to provide to "fill"
-- the typed hole.
-- One can also go in the opposite direction. Sometimes, a developer
-- will write a complex expression. It can be hard for the developer
-- to determine what the type signature for that expression is.
-- Thus, one can go in the opposite direction:
      `Expression --> Type Signature`

    This can be accomplished via type annotations on bindings.

-- Since the typed holes produce compiler errors, the below
-- code will not compile. Uncomment the code to see the result.
-- example1ViaWhere :: Int
-- example1ViaWhere = 4
    where
     -- Verbose way
     example1 :: ?Help
     example1 = "foo"
     -- one-liner way
     example2 :: ?Help = "foo"
-- example2ViaLet :: Int
-- example2ViaLet =
    let
       -- Verbose way
       example1 :: ?Help
       example1 = "foo"
       -- one-liner way
       example2 :: ?Help = "foo"
     in
       4
-- These work in `case _ of` expressions
-- example3ViaCase :: Int
-- example3ViaCase = 4
     where
```

```
-- foo = case 4 + 4 :: ?Help of
-- eight -> eight

-- These also work when using "do notation" and "ado notation".
-- example4InDo :: Int -> Int
-- example4InDo = do
-- four :: ?Help <- (\inputArg -> 4)
-- pure 4

-- example5InAdo :: Int -> Int
-- example5InAdo = ado
-- four :: ?Help <- (\inputArg -> 4)
-- in four
```

## 01-Keyword--Forall.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Keyword.Forall where
import Prelude
When using generic data types in functions, such as the one below...
genericFunction0 :: a -> a
    Given a value of any type,
  this function will return a value of the same type. -}
-- ... we need to explicitly say the function works for all types.
-- We do so by adding the "forall a." syntax to the front of our
-- type signature. Note: the "forall" syntax is still a part of our type
-- signature, but it always appears first before anything else.
genericFunction1 :: forall aType {- bType ... nType -}. aType -> aType
genericFunction1 x = x
{- Read:
    For any type,
      which we'll refer to as, 'a',
  when given a value of type 'a',
then I will return a value of type 'a'
-}
genericFunction2 :: forall a b c. a -> b -> c -> a
genericFunction2 a b c = a
{- Read:
    For any three types,
      which we'll refer to as, 'a', 'b', and 'c',
  when given
    a value of type 'a', and
    a value of type 'b', and
    a value of type 'c',
then I will return a value of type 'a'
-}
-- Sometimes, we'll see multiple 'forall' in the same type signature.
      f :: forall a b. a -> b -> (forall c. c -> String) -> String
-- These are called "Rank-N Types."
-- This means that the third argument, the function with `forall c`,
-- can be used on different types. Thus, we can write something like this:
ignoreArg_returnString :: forall a. a -> String
ignoreArg_returnString _ = "some string"
example :: forall a b. a -> b -> (forall c. c -> String) -> String
example a b function = concat (function a) (function b)
testExample :: String
testExample = example true 5 ignoreArg_returnString
```

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```
-- needed to compile

concat :: String -> String -> String
concat = append
```

## 02-Keyword--Type.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Keyword.Type where
-- Syntax
type TypeAliasForCompileTime = RunTimeType
-- Example
type ComplexFunction = Int -> (forall a b. a -> (forall c. c-> b) -> b)
-- and then use it here:
-- someFunction :: String -> ComplexFunction -> ReturnType
-- One could also do this...
type Age = Int
{-
functionName :: ParamType1 -> ReturnType -}
-- 'Age' is a more descriptive type name than 'Int'
functionName age = "body"
-- ... but to do the above, one should use `newtype` instead,
-- which is explained later.
-- a type alias can also take a type parameter
type ConvertAToString a = (a -> String)
example :: forall a. a -> ConvertAToString a -> String
example a convertAToString = convertAToString a
-- There's a difference between these two types
type ConvertBToString1 b = (b -> String)
type ConvertBToString2 = forall b. b -> String
bToString1 :: forall b. b -> ConvertBToString1 b -> String
bToString1 value toString = toString value
bToString2 :: forall b. b -> ConvertBToString2 -> String
{-
bToString2 :: forall b1. b1 -> (forall b2. b2 -> String) -> String
bToString2 b1 b2ToString =
 Whenever a type alias is used, the alias is replaced with its
  right-hand side. Thus, using `b2ToString b1` here to try
  to produce a `String` value would result in a compiler error
  because the type for `b1` is different than `b2`.
  11 11 11
-- Type aliases also have kind signatures. The above examples have
-- implicit kind signatures. The below example has an explicit one:
```

```
data Pair a b = Pair a b
-- kind signature (implicit): Type -> Type
-- reason: the `a` needs to be defined before we have a "concrete" type alias
type IntAnd a = Pair Int a

type IntAnd_ExplicitKindSignature :: Type -> Type
type IntAnd_ExplicitKindSignature a = Pair Int a

type SomeTypeAndInt :: Type -> Type
type SomeTypeAndInt a = Pair a Int
-- required to get this to compile correctly
data RunTimeType
```

### 03-Keywords--Case-expression-of.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Keyword.CaseOf where
import Prelude
-- Returning to our previous basic pattern match example:
data Fruit
  = Apple
  0range
  Banana
  Cherry
  Tomato
-- The following is tedious to write due to rewriting 'mkString' on every line:
mkString :: Fruit -> String
mkString Apple = "apple"
mkString Orange = "orange"
mkString Banana = "banana"
mkString Cherry = "cherry"
mkString Tomato = "tomato"
-- Fortunately, there is an easier way using 'case _ of' syntax:
function1 :: String -> String
function1 expression =
  -- syntax
  case expression of
    -- pattern match -> bodyOfFunctionIfMatched
    -- These show a few examples from pattern matching
    "patternMatch1" -> bodyOfFunction
    "patternMatch2" -> bodyOfFunction
    x | length x == 4 -> bodyOfFunction
                                           -- guards are also allowed here
      length x == 5 -> bodyOfFunction
    _ -> bodyOfFunction -- catch all
-- If 'expression' is the next argument in a function, we could decide
-- to not bind to name (e.g. 'a') and instead use function abbreviation
-- using the underscore syntax:
data Data = Constructor1 | Constructor2 | Constructor3 | ConstructorN
function2 :: Data -> String
function2 = case _ of
  Constructor1 -> bodyOfFunction
  Constructor2 -> bodyOfFunction
  Constructor3 -> bodyOfFunction
  _ -> bodyOfFunction -- catch all
-- Returning to our example
mkString2 :: Fruit -> String
mkString2 = case _ of
  Apple -> "apple"
```

```
Orange -> "orange"
  Banana -> "banana"
  Cherry -> "cherry"
  Tomato -> "tomato"
-- We can also match multiple expressions by adding commas between them:
function3 :: String -> String -> String
function3 firstExpression secondExpression =
  case firstExpression, secondExpression {-, nExpression -} of
    "firstResultPatternMatch", "secondResultPM" {-, nResult -} ->
bodyOfFunction
    "firstResultPatternMatch", "secondResultPM" {-, nResult -} ->
bodyOfFunction
    _, _ -> bodyOfFunction -- catchall
-- example
mkString3 :: Fruit -> Fruit -> String
mkString3 a b = case a, b of
  Apple, Apple -> "Two apples"
  Apple, Cherry -> "An apple and a cherry"
  _, _ -> "You didn't really think I would type out all of them, did you?!?"
-- This compiles: Pattern Matching -> Case -> Pattern guard
test :: Int -> Boolean
test a
  | false =
      case false of
        true | a > 12 -> true
        _ -> false
  | otherwise = true
-- Necessary to get this file to compile
length :: String -> Int
length _ = 4
bodyOfFunction :: String
bodyOfFunction = "body of function"
```

### 04-Keywords--Where-and-Let-In.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Keyword.WhereAndLetIn where
import Prelude
data Box a = Box a
{-
The 'let..in' keywords and the `where` keyword enables us to break large
  functions down into smaller functions (or values) that compose.
-}
{-
The 'let...in' syntax lets us define "bindings" before we use them
in the block that follows the `in` keyword: -}
letInFunction1 :: String -> String
letInFunction1 expression =
    -- Start of the "let" block
    binding = expression
    -- End of the "let" block
  in
    -- Start of the "in" block
    somethingThatUses binding -- wherever `binding` is used, we mean
`expression`
    -- End of the "in" block
{-
We can define multiple bindings. All `let` and `where` blocks are recursive,
so earlier bindings can refer to later bindings. -}
letInFunction2 :: String -> String -> String
letInFunction2 expression1 expression2 =
    -- Start of the "let" block
    binding1 = expression1
    binding2 = expression2
    binding3 = binding1
    -- End of the "let" block
  in
    -- Start of the "in" block
    somethingThatUses (binding1 <> binding2 <> binding3)
    -- End of the "in" block
{-
If you want to ensure earler bindings cannot refer to earlier ones,
you can use multiple let bindings.
(Note: the below verbose/tedious syntax is much cleaner
when using the "do-let" style. That style is covered in the Prelude syntax. -}
letInFunction2NonRecursive :: String -> String -> String
letInFunction2NonRecursive expression1 expression2 =
  let {- start -} binding1 = expression1 {- end -} in
  let {- start -} binding2 = expression2 {- end -} in
  let {- start -} binding3 = binding1 {- end -} in
```

```
somethingThatUses (binding1 <> binding2 <> binding3)
letInFunction2_WithTypeSignatures :: String -> String -> String
letInFunction2_WithTypeSignatures expression1 expression2 =
    -- we can also add type signatures above the bindings to help with
   -- readability or type inference.
   binding1 :: String
   binding1 = expression1
   binding2 :: String
   binding2 = expression2
 in
   somethingThatUses (binding1 <> binding2)
-- One can also define functions as a let binding
letInFunction3 :: String -> String
letInFunction3 value =
 let
   function "firstMatch" = bodyOfPatternMatch
   function "secondMatch" = bodyOfPatternMatch
   function catchAll = bodyOfPatternMatch
 in
   function value
letInFunction3_WithTypeSignatures :: String -> String
letInFunction3_WithTypeSignatures value =
 let
   function :: String -> String
   function "firstMatch" = bodyOfPatternMatch
   function "secondMatch" = bodyOfPatternMatch
   function catchAll = bodyOfPatternMatch
  in
   function value
-- One can also use guards with let
letWithGuards :: Int -> String
letWithGuards x =
 let result
        | x == 0 = "zero"
        | x == 1 = "one"
        | otherwise = "something else"
 in computeSomethingWithString result
-- Let bindings can also have type signatures. We'll see in the next file
-- why this can be very important.
letWithGuards_WithTypeSignatures :: Int -> String
letWithGuards_WithTypeSignatures x =
   result :: String
   result
          | x == 0 = "zero"
          | x == 1 = "one"
```

```
| otherwise = "something else"
  in computeSomethingWithString result
The `where` clause is "syntax sugar" for let bindings.
Using the `where` clause, we could rewrite the below function using the
`where` clause
    whereFunction0 = let x = 4 in x
whereFunction0 :: Int
whereFunction0 = x
  where
  x = 4
-- Here is a more typical example where multiple bindings are defined
-- in a single "where block"
whereFunction1 :: String -> String -> Int
whereFunction1 arg1 arg2 =
  returnFour (madeUpFunction arg1 arg2) 9
  where
  -- functions defined below the 'where' keyword can be used in the main
  -- function and any other made-up functions defined in this block
  madeUpFunction :: String -> String -> Int
  madeUpFunction s1 s2 =
    returnFour (createComplexDataTypeUsing s1)
      (mutuallyRecursiveFunction1 s2)
  createComplexDataTypeUsing :: String -> Box String
  createComplexDataTypeUsing s = Box s
  -- Note: If 'whereFunction1' had used 'forall' syntax above to specify
  -- generic types, we would not need to respecify them in any made-up
functions
  -- that appear in this where block. However, since we want `returnFour` to
work
  -- for multiple types, we'll need to specify that here.
  returnFour :: forall a b. a -> b -> Int
  returnFour _ _ = 4
  -- Mutually recursive functions are allowed
  mutuallyRecursiveFunction1 :: String -> String
  mutuallyRecursiveFunction1 "a" = "a"
  mutuallyRecursiveFunction1 x = mutuallyRecursiveFunction2 (x <> "b") -- "<>"
means concat
  mutuallyRecursiveFunction2 :: String -> String
  mutuallyRecursiveFunction2 "b" = mutuallyRecursiveFunction1 "b"
  mutuallyRecursiveFunction2 x = mutuallyRecursiveFunction1 "a"
{-
See the indentation rules to correctly indent your `where` clause
  and the expressions that define a given binding.
-}
```

```
-- necessary to make this file compile:
somethingThatUses :: String -> String
somethingThatUses x = x

bodyOfPatternMatch :: String
bodyOfPatternMatch = "body of pattern match"

computeSomethingWithString :: String -> String
computeSomethingWithString _ = "string value"
```

## **05-Indentation-Rules.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.IndentationRules where
import Prelude
-- Indentation Rules:
function_normal :: String -> String
function_normal a = bodyOfFunction
-- This shows valid and invalid indentations.
-- PureScript usually indents things by 2 spaces.
function_body_indented :: String -> String
function_body_indented a = {-
wrongIndentation -}
validButNotConventional <>
  validAndConventional <>
   validButNotConventional <>
    validAndConventional {-
      and so forth... -}
-- Same example as above but with only using conventional indentation:
function_body_indented_conventional :: String -> String
function_body_indented_conventional a =
  validAndConventional <>
    validAndConventional
whereFunction1 :: String -> String
whereFunction1 a = validFunctionPosition1 <> validFunctionPosition2 <>
validValuePosition
  -- Conventional
  where
  validFunctionPosition1 :: TypeSignature
  validFunctionPosition1 = "a"
  validFunctionPosition2 :: TypeSignature
  validFunctionPosition2 = "b"
  validValuePosition :: TypeSignature
  validValuePosition = "c"
whereFunction2 :: String -> String
whereFunction2 a = validFunctionPosition1 <> validFunctionPosition2 <>
validValuePosition
  -- Haskell's convention
    validFunctionPosition1 :: TypeSignature
    validFunctionPosition1 = "a"
    validFunctionPosition2 :: TypeSignature
    validFunctionPosition2 = "b"
    validValuePosition :: TypeSignature
```

```
validValuePosition = "c"
letInFunction1 :: String -> String
letInFunction1 expression =
  -- this format makes it harder to add a new binding if more are needed
 let binding = expression
  in bodyOfFunctionThatUses binding
letInFunction2 :: String -> String
letInFunction2 expression =
  -- this format makes it easy to add a new binding
  let
    binding = expression
                                                                              {-
    binding2 = some other expression
                                                                              -}
    bodyOfFunctionThatUses binding
-- For more context,
-- see https://discourse.purescript.org/t/peculiar-indentation-rules-for-let-
in-do-block/3192/2
-- The indentation of the expression for a `let` or `where` binding matters.
-- It must be at least one character to the right of the start of the binding
bindingExpressionIndentation1 :: String -> String
bindingExpressionIndentation1 expression =
  let binding =
                                                                              {-
      | the expression must be to the right of this pipe character
invalid
 invalid
   invalid
    invalid
     invalid
      invalid
                                                                               -}
       valid <>
        valid <>
         valid
  in
    bodyOfFunctionThatUses binding
bindingExpressionIndentation2 :: String -> String
bindingExpressionIndentation2 expression =
  let
    binding =
                                                                            {-
    | the expression must be to the right of this pipe character
invalid
 invalid
   invalid
    invalid
                                                                             -}
     valid <>
        valid <>
```

```
valid
  in
    bodyOfFunctionThatUses binding
-- See the `do` notation syntax for how to use `let` properly there
-- Necessary to make this file compile
type TypeSignature = String
bodyOfFunctionThatUses :: String -> String
bodyOfFunctionThatUses x = x
bodyOfFunction :: String
bodyOfFunction = ""
validAndConventional :: String
validAndConventional = ""
validButNotConventional :: String
validButNotConventional = ""
valid :: String
valid = ""
```

# **06-Let-Lacks-Generalization.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.LetLacksGeneralization where
import Prelude
{-
We saw previously that we can define functions inside a `let` binding
and use it later after the `in`. The below example does NOT have a type
signature annotating it.
-}
letBindingExample :: Int
letBindingExample =
  let
    add4 x = x + 4
  in add4 6 -- outputs 10
{-
We also saw that we can add type signatures to the `let` binding
to make it easier to read:
-}
letBindingExampleWithTypeSignature :: Int
letBindingExampleWithTypeSignature =
    add4 :: Int -> Int
    add4 x = x + 4
  in add4 6
{-
All of the above examples use monomorphism (i.e. each function only works
on 1 type / there IS NOT a "forall" anywhere), not polymorphism
(i.e. each function works on multiple types / there IS a "forall" somewhere).
In some situations, we may want to use polymorphism/"forall" in our
`let` bindings:
                                                                             -}
letBindingWithPolymorphicTypeSignature :: Int
letBindingWithPolymorphicTypeSignature =
  let
    ignoreArgumentAndReturn4 :: forall a. a -> Int
    ignoreArgumentAndReturn4 _ = 4
  in
    (ignoreArgumentAndReturn4 8) + (ignoreArgumentAndReturn4 "foo")
{-
In the above example, when you remove the type signature above the let binding,
you will discover that "`let` bindings lack generalization". The below example
will not compile. You can uncomment it and see for yourself:
-}
-- failsToCompile :: Int
-- failsToCompile =
     let
       -- based on the usage below, it would appear that this function's
       -- type signature is "forall a. a -> Int"
       polymorphicLetBindingWithNoTypeSignature _ = 4
     in
```

```
(polymorphicLetBindingWithNoTypeSignature 8) + -- argument is Int
       (polymorphicLetBindingWithNoTypeSignature "foo") -- argument is String
Running `failsToCompile` will produce the following error:
  Error found:
  in module Syntax.Basic.LetLacksGeneralization
  at src/04-Various-Keywords/05-Let-Lacks-Generalization.purs:48:34 - 48:39
(line 48, column 34 - line 48, column 39)
    Could not match type
      String
    with type
      Int
  while checking that type String
    is at least as general as type Int
  while checking that expression "foo"
    has type Int
  in value declaration failsToCompile
  See https://github.com/purescript/documentation/blob/master/errors/
TypesDoNotUnify.md for more information,
  or to contribute content related to this error.
-}
{-
When the compiler comes across the first usage of
`polymorphicLetBindingWithNoTypeSignature`, the type of the first argument, 8,
is Int. Rather than making this binding polymorphic, the compiler assumes
that the function is monomorphic and its type signature will be
"Int -> Int". Thus, when it encounters the second usage of the function,
`polymorphicLetBindingWithNoTypeSignature "foo"`, it fails because
`String` is not the same type as `Int`.
This missing feature is called "`let` generalization." Its absence is
intentional. For more context, see the paper titled,
"Let should not be generalized"
https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/research/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/tldi10-
vytiniotis.pdf
-}
{-
Since the `where` clause is syntax sugar for `let` bindings, this issue can
also arise when you use bindings in the `where` clauses that are polymorphic
and do not have a type signature.
-}
```

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#### 07-Keywords--If-Then-Else.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Keyword.IfThenElse where
-- There's support for if-then-else statements
test1 :: Boolean -> String
test1 condition = if condition then "true path" else "false path"
-- Or write it like this
test2 :: Boolean -> String
test2 condition =
  if condition
 then "true path"
  else "false path"
-- Or this
test3 :: Boolean -> String
test3 condition =
  if
    condition
    "true path"
  else
    "false path"
-- One can also write nested if-then-else-if-then-else statements
test4 :: forall a. (a -> Boolean) -> (a -> Boolean) -> a -> String
test4 condition1 condition2 a =
  if condition1 a then "first path"
  else if condition2 a then "second path"
  else "default path"
```

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## **01-Basic-Syntax.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Record.Basic where
import Prelude
-- Records have a different kind than "Type"
-- Their kind signature is `Row Type -> Type`.
-- `Row` kinds are 0 to N number of "label-to-kind" associations
-- that are known at compile time. `Row` kinds will be covered more fully
-- in the Type-Level Programming Syntax folder.
-- Most of the time, you will see the labels associated with the kind, `Type`.
-- In other words:
type Example_Row = (rowLabel :: ValueType)
-- Rows can have 1 or many label-Type associations...
type Example_of_a_Single_Row = (labelName :: ValueType)
type Example_of_a_Multiple_Rows = (first :: ValueType, second :: ValueType)
type PS_Keywords_Can_Be_Label_Names =
  (data :: ValueType, type :: ValueType, class :: ValueType)
-- Rows can also have kind signatures. The right-most entity/kind
-- will be `Row Type`:
type SingleRow_KindSignature :: Row Type
type SingleRow_KindSignature = (labelName :: ValueType)
type MultipleRows_KindSignature :: Row Type
type MultipleRows_KindSignature = (first :: ValueType, second :: ValueType)
-- Rows can also be empty.
type Example_of_an_Empty_Row :: Row Type
type Example_of_an_Empty_Row = ()
-- Rows can take type parameters just like data, type, and newtype:
type Takes_A_Type_Parameter :: Type -> Row Type
type Takes_A_Type_Parameter a = (someLabel :: Box a)
-- That's enough about rows for now.
-- Let's see why they are useful for Records.
data Record_ -- Row Type -> Type
-- Think of records as a JavaScript object / HashMap / big product types.
-- There are keys (the labels) that refer to values of a given type.
type RecordType_Desugared = Record ( label1 :: String
                                   , labelN :: Int
                                   , function :: (String -> String)
                                   )
-- However, there is syntax sugar for writing this:
-- "Record ( rows )" becomes "{ rows }"
type RecordType = { label1 :: String
```

```
-- , ...
                  , labelN :: Int
                  , function :: String -> String
-- ## Create Records
-- We can create a record using the "{ label: value }" syntax...
createRec_colonSyntax :: RecordType
createRec_colonSyntax = { label1: "value", labelN: 1, function: (\x -> x) }
-- We can also create it using the "names exist in immediate context" syntax
createRec_immediateContextSyntax :: RecordType
createRec_immediateContextSyntax = { label1, labelN, function }
    label1 = "value"
    labelN = 1
    function = \x -> x
-- We can also create it using the "label names exist in external context"
syntax
-- Given the below record type...
type PersonRecord = { username :: String
                    , age :: Int
                    , isCool :: String -> Boolean
-- ... and some values/functions with the same name as that record's labels...
username :: String
username = "Bob"
age :: Int
age = 4
isCool :: String -> Boolean
isCool _ = true
-- ... the compiler will infer below that 'username' should be "Bob"
-- because `username` is a value that exists in this module.
-- Note: this syntax won't pick up things that exist in other files.
createRec_externalContextSyntax :: PersonRecord
createRec_externalContextSyntax = { username, age, isCool }
createRec_noUnderscore :: String -> Int -> (String -> String) -> RecordType
createRec_noUnderscore label1 labelN function = { label1, labelN, function }
createRec_withUnderscore :: String -> Int -> (String -> String) -> RecordType
createRec_withUnderscore = { label1: _, labelN: _, function: _ }
-- same type signature as 'createRec_withUnderscore'
type InlineWithUnderscoreType = String -> Int -> (String -> String) ->
RecordType
```

```
inlineExample1 :: InlineWithUnderscoreType
inlineExample1 =
  \label1 labelN function -> { label1: label1, labelN: labelN, function:
function }
inlineExample2 :: InlineWithUnderscoreType
                           { label1: _ , labelN: _ , function: _
inlineExample2 =
-- ## Get the corresponding values in records
getLabel1 :: RecordType -> String
getLabel1 obj = obj.label1
-- ## Overwrite Labels' Values in Records
-- We can update a record using syntax sugar:
overwriteLabelValue_equalsOperator :: RecordType -> String -> RecordType
overwriteLabelValue_equalsOperator rec string = rec { label1 = string }
-- or by using an underscore to indicate that the next argument is the
-- record type
setLabelValue_recordUnderscore :: String -> RecordType -> RecordType
setLabelValue_recordUnderscore string = _ { label1 = string }
{-
setLabelValue_recordUnderscore "bar" { label1: "foo" } == { label1: "bar" }
-}
-- or by using an underscore for both args if they come in the correct order:
-- record first and then the argument to apply to that record's label
setLabelValue_recordAndArgUnderscore :: RecordType -> String -> RecordType
setLabelValue_recordAndArgUnderscore = _ { label1 = _ }
{-
setLabelValue_recordAndArgUnderscore { label1: "foo" } "bar" == { label1: "bar"
} -}
syntaxReminder :: String
syntaxReminder = """
Don't confuse the two operators that go in-between label and value!
"label OPERATOR value" where OPERATOR is
  "=" means "update the label of a record that already exists":
         record { label = newValue }
  ":" means "create a new record by specifying the label's value":
                 { label: initialValue }
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-- ## Nested Records
type NestedRecordType = { person :: { skills :: { name :: String } } }
```

```
nestedRecord_create :: String -> NestedRecordType
nestedRecord_create newName = { person: { skills: { name: newName } } } }
nestedRecord_get :: NestedRecordType -> String
nestedRecord_get rec = rec.person.skills.name
nestedRecord_overwrite1 :: String -> NestedRecordType -> NestedRecordType
nestedRecord_overwrite1 newName p = p { person { skills { name = newName } } } }
nestedRecord_overwrite2 :: String -> NestedRecordType -> NestedRecordType
nestedRecord_overwrite2 newName = _ { person { skills { name = newName } } } }
nestedRecord_overwrite3 :: NestedRecordType -> String -> NestedRecordType
nestedRecord_overwrite3
                                  = _ { person { skills { name = _
                                                                         } } }
-- -- This fails to compile because the fields aren't specified
-- nestedRecord_overwrite4 :: NestedRecordType -> String -> NestedRecordType
-- nestedRecord_overwrite4
                                     } }
-- ## Pattern Matching on Records
-- We can also pattern match on a record. The label names must match
-- the label names of the record
patternMatch_allLabels :: Int
patternMatch_allLabels =
 let { label1, label2 } = { label1: 3, label2: 5 }
 in label1 + label2
patternMatch_someLabels :: String
patternMatch_someLabels =
  -- notice how we don't include 'label2' here
  -- in the pattern match
 let { label1 } = { label1: "a", label2: "b" }
  in label1
-- needed to compile
type ValueType = String
data Box a = Box a
```

### 02-Quoted-Key-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Record.Quoted where
-- Credit goes to Justin Woo where I found out this documentation
-- was even possible:
-- https://github.com/justinwoo/quoted-record-property/blob/master/src/
Main.purs
type QuotedKey = { "key" :: String }
creation :: QuotedKey
creation = { "key" : "value" }
getValue :: String
getValue = creation."key"
emojiKeyValue :: { "😂" :: String }
emojiKeyAccessed :: String
emojiKeyAccessed = { "\otimes" : "value" }."\otimes"
asianLanguageKey :: String
asianLanguageKey = { """: "Japanese" }."""
```

## 03-Row-Polymorphism.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Record.RowPolymorphism where
import Prelude
-- We can also use literal records in our function type signatures:
getName1 :: { name :: String } -> String
getName1 { name: nameValue } = nameValue
getName2 :: { name :: String } -> String
getName2 person = person.name -- this syntax also works
-- example
test1 :: Boolean
test1 =
  (getName1 { name: "hello" }) == "hello"
{-
However, this definition does not allow additional fields.
The following code...
  getName1 { name: "hello", age: 4 }
...will output a compiler error since no other fields are allowed!
-}
{-
Rows can either be "closed" or "open." "Closed" rows means that we will
not be adding any other 'fields' to it at a later time. So far, we
have only shown examples of "closed" rows.
"Open" rows means that we might add more 'fields' to it at a later time.
We'll now show the syntax for that.
-}
-- open rows
type Example_of_Closed_Row
                                        = (first :: ValueType)
type Example_of_Open_Row additionalRows = (first :: ValueType | additionalRows)
type Closed_Record1 = Record (first :: ValueType)
type Open_Record1 r = Record (first :: ValueType | r)
type Closed_Record2 = { first :: ValueType }
type Open_Record2 r = { first :: ValueType | r}
type OpenRecord1 rowsAreDefinedLater = Record ( | rowsAreDefinedLater)
type OpenRecord2 rowsAreDefinedLater = { | rowsAreDefinedLater}
{-
We can get rid of the compiler error by using open rows and row polymorphism
The below function can be read as
    "Given a record that has the field, 'name',
     and zero or more other rows I don't care about,
```

```
I can give you a String value."
                                                                              -}
rowPolymorphism1 :: forall anyOtherFieldsThatMayExist
                  . { name :: String | anyOtherFieldsThatMayExist }
                 -> String
rowPolymorphism1 { name: nameValue } = nameValue
-- Rather than the "anyOtherFieldsThatMayExist" type name, convention is to
-- use "r" for "rows". Rewriting our above function to use 'r' convention:
getName4 :: forall r. { name :: String | r } -> String
getName4 { name: nameValue } = nameValue
-- examples
test2 :: Boolean
test2 =
  (getName4 { name: "a name", age: 4, stuff: "?" }) == "a name" -- now it
-- A compiler error will arise when the required field doesn't exist,
-- such as this example:
     getName4 { age: 4, stuff: "?" }
-- needed to compile
type ValueType = String
```

# 01-Regular.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.InfixNotation.Regular where
import Prelude
two_arg_function :: Int -> Int -> Int
two_arg_function x y \mid x < 0 = (x + 1) * (y + 14)
                     | otherwise = y + x
infix_notation :: Int
infix_notation =
  -- infix notation available via backticks
  (1 `two_arg_function` 2)
  -- becomes two_arg_function 1 2
data List a = Nil | Cons a (List a)
data Box a = Box a
-- Some types given here to make things easier...
type TypeAlias = forall a b. List a -> Box b
data DataType = Constructor Int Int
{-
Infix Syntax:
infix/infixl/infixr precedence function/constructor as symbolicAlias
... or for type aliases:
infix/infixl/infixr precedence type TypeName as symbolicAlias
... where 'precedence' is a number (0..9)
    and 'symbolicAlias' is a sequence of symbolic character(s)
      (i.e. cannot use alphanumeric characters, nor an underscore character)
-}
-- Example
infixl 4 two_arg_function as >>
infix 2 Constructor as ?->
infix 4 type TypeAlias as :$>
mostCharactersForSymbolicAlias :: forall a. a -> a
mostCharactersForSymbolicAlias x = x
-- Notes:
-- 1. '@', '\', and '.' cannot be used alone (see next comment)
-- 2. the below symbols are the ones you will typically see. However,
        characters where Haskell's `isSymbol` returns true also work.
        (https://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.14.1.0/docs/Data-
Char.html#v:isSymbol)
infix 4 mostCharactersForSymbolicAlias as ~!@#$%^&*-+=\|:<>./?
These characters, when used individually as aliases, are illegal:
  infix 4 illegalAlias1 as \
```

```
^ That's reserved for lambdas
  infix 4 illegalAlias2 as @
                           ^ That's reserved for pattern matching: a@(Foo 1)
  infix 4 illegalAlias3 as .
                           ^ That's reserved for record-related things: foo.bar
-- When used with more characters than themselves, they're fine and compile.
whenMultipleExist_itsFine :: forall a. a -> a
whenMultipleExist_itsFine x = x
infix 4 whenMultipleExist_itsFine as \\
infix 4 whenMultipleExist_itsFine as @@
infix 4 whenMultipleExist_itsFine as ..
infix 4 whenMultipleExist_itsFine as \.
infix 4 whenMultipleExist_itsFine as .@
-- Infix is all about where to put the parenthesis as indicated by precedence:
-- precedence is 0 = group first
                 n = group after first but before last
                 9 = group last
-- Each type of infix will be shown by reducing it to its final call
-- make depth small (like a tree)
-- infix 0 concatString as $$$$$
{- "a" $$$$ "b" $$$$ "c" $$$$ "d"
== ("a" $$$$$ "b") $$$$$ ("c" $$$$$ "d"))
== ($$$$ "a" "b") $$$$ ($$$$ "c" "d"))
== concatString (concatString "a" "b") (concatString "c" "d") -- desugared
-}
-- infixl 9 concatString as |>>|
    "a" |>>| "b" |>>| "c" |>>| "d"
{-
== ("a" |>>| "b") |>>| "c" |>>| "d"
== (("a" |>>| "b") |>>| "c") |>>| "d"
== |>>| (("a" |>>| "b") |>>| "c") "d"
== |>>| (|>>| ("a" |>>| "b") "c") "d"
== |>>| (|>>| (|>>| "a" "b") "c") "d"
== concatString (concatString (concatString "a" "b") "c") "d"
-}
-- infixr 7 concatString as |<<|
{- "a" | << | "b" | << | "c" | << | "d"
== "a" |<<| "b" |<<| ("c" |<<| "d")
== "a" |<<| ("b" |<<| ("c" |<<| "d"))
== |<<| "a" ("b" |<<| ("c" |<<| "d"))
== |<<| "a" (|<<| "b" ("c" |<<| "d"))
== |<<| "a" (|<<| "b" (|<<| "c" "d"))
== concatString "a" (concatString "b" (concatString "c" "d"))
```

-}

#### 02-Extended.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.InfixNotation.Extended where
-- Original credit: @paf31
-- Link: https://github.com/paf31/24-days-of-purescript-2016/blob/
master/1.markdown
-- Changes made: use meta-language to explain syntax of extended infix notation
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-- https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/3.0/deed.en_US
-- regular infix
-- function1 :: Type1 -> Type2 -> ReturnType
-- function1 a b = ...
-- a `function1` b
-- Given a function with this signature...
function2 :: String -> String -> String
function2 first second third = "result"
example :: String
example = "second" `function2 "first"` "third"
-- This can be useful for combining function if it reads well
     list1 `combineUsing concat` list2
-- But it can also quickly lead to unreadable code
-- Be careful and selective when using it.
```

## 07-Functions-and-Data-with-Higher-Kinded-Types.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Function.HigherKindedTypes where
import Prelude
-- == Review ==
data Box a = Box a
-- `Box a` is a higher-kinded type (HKT). In other words,
-- it has a kind of `Type -> Type`, not `Type` like Int.
-- Its 'a' still needs to be specified before it is fully concrete.
-- we can define a function when the 'a' of Box is known ("Int" in this
case)...
add1 :: Box Int -> Box Int
add1 (Box x) = Box (x + 1)
-- we can also define a function when 'a' of Box is not known
modify :: forall a. Box a -> (a -> a) -> Box a
modify (Box a) function = Box (function a)
-- However, how might one write a function that works on all of
-- the four types below? In other words, how would we define a function
-- when we know we will have a higher-kinded type like `Box`, but
-- we don't know the exact type of that Box-like type?
data Box1 a = Box1 a
data Box2 a = Box2 a
data Box3 a = Box3 a
data Box4 a = Box4 a
-- The following function shows the syntax to follow.
hktFunction0 :: forall f a. f a -> f a
hktFunction0 boxN = boxN
{-
Read
  "f a"
  "f is a higher-kinded type
    that needs one type, `a`, specified
    before it can be a concrete type"
When using higher-kinded types, convention is to start with `f` and continue
down the alphabet for each higher-kinded type thereafter (e.g. `g`, `h`, etc.).
-}
hktFunction1 :: forall f g h a. f a -> g a -> h a -> h a
hktFunction1 _ _ h0fA = h0fA
-- I think the convention of using 'f' has something to do with a Type Class
-- called Functor (covered in the Hello-World folder).
-- If the higher-kinded type we want to include in our function takes more than
```

```
-- one type, we just add the extra types beyond it
data HigherKindedTypeWith4Types a b c d = Constructor a b c d
hktFunction2 :: forall f a b c d. f a b c d -> f a b c d
hktFunction2 f_abcd = f_abcd
{-
Read the above
  "fabcd"
  "f is a higher-kinded type
     that takes 4 types, 'a', 'b', 'c', and 'd',
     all of which need to be specified
     before 'f' can be a concrete type"
-}
-- We can also specify specific types in the function:
hktFunction3 :: forall f a b c. f a b c Int -> f a b c Int
hktFunction3 f_abc_Int = f_abc_Int
{-
Read
  "f a b c Int"
  "f is a higher-kinded type
    that takes 4 types, 'a', 'b', 'c', and 'd'.
  'd' has already been specified to 'Int',
  the other types (a, b, and c) have yet to be specified.
  The compiler will complain
    if one passes in an 'f' type whose fourth type is not an Int.
-}
-- Returning to our previous question...
boxFunction :: forall f a. f a -> (f a -> a) -> (a -> a) -> (a -> f a) -> f a
boxFunction boxN unwrap changeA rewrap =
  rewrap (changeA (unwrap boxN))
-- The unwrap and rewrap functions in the above function are only needed to
make
-- this compile. In many functions, they won't be needed due to
-- typeclasses (explained later).
-- If we specified functions like below for each of the box type...
unwrapBox2 :: forall a. Box2 a -> a
unwrapBox2 (Box2 a) = a
unwrapBox3 :: forall a. Box3 a -> a
unwrapBox3 (Box3 a) = a
rewrapBox2 :: forall a. a -> Box2 a
rewrapBox2 a = Box2 a
```

```
rewrapBox3 :: forall a. a -> Box3 a
rewrapBox3 a = Box3 a
-- The following code will compile
box2Example :: Box2 Int
box2Example = boxFunction (Box2 2) unwrapBox2 (_ + 1) rewrapBox2 -- Box2 3
box3Example :: Box3 Int
box3Example = boxFunction (Box3 3) unwrapBox3 (_ + 1) rewrapBox3 -- Box3 4
-- Keep in mind that any type that follows a 'forall' keyword could be
-- a higher-kinded type
-- Higher kinded types can also occur in data declarations:
data Type_with_HKT :: (Type -> Type) -> Type -> Type
data Type_with_HKT hkt a = Type_With_HKT_Constructor (hkt a)
{-
Thus we could have multiple values of this specific type, depending on what
type the `hkt` is:
 Type_With_HKT Array Int
 Type_With_HKT Box Int
-}
data Type_with_2_HKT :: (Type -> Type) -> (Type -> Type) -> Type -> Type
data Type_with_2_HKT hkt1 hkt2 a = Type_With_2_HKT_Constructor (hkt1 a) (hkt2
a)
-- Type_with_2_HKT Array Array a
-- Type_with_2_HKT Array Box a
-- Type_with_2_HKT Box Array a
-- Type_with_2_HKT Box Box a
```

## **01-Single-Paramter.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.SingleParameter where
import Prelude
-- Basic Type classes
-- a type class definition...
class TypeClassName parameterType where
  functionName :: parameterType -> ReturnType
-- Or the parameter type could be the return type:
class TypeClassName_ parameterType where
  fromString :: String -> parameterType
-- example
class ToInt a where
  toInt :: a -> Int
-- ... and its implementation for SomeType
instance TypeClassName SomeType where
  functionName type_ = ReturnType
-- ## Type Class Instance Name Requirement
-- Previously, naming type class instances was required.
-- As of `v0.14.2`, this requirement has been dropped as the compiler
-- generates the instance name instead now.
-- Below is an example of a named type class instance. You
-- may continue to see these while the ecosystem catches up.
-- The name typically follows this naming convention:
      `classNameType1NameType2Name...TypeNName`.
{-
instance typeClassNameSomeType :: TypeClassName SomeType where
  functionName type_ = ReturnType
-}
-- The rest of this repo will use unnamed type class instances.
instance ToInt Boolean where
  toInt true = 1
  toInt false = 0
test :: Boolean
test = (toInt true) == 0
-- Type classes can also specify values:
class TypeClassDefiningValue a where
  value :: a
```

```
instance TypeClassDefiningValue Int where
  value = 42
-- Type classes usually only specify one function, but sometimes
-- they specify multiple functions and/or values:
class ZeroAppender a where
  append :: a -> a -> a
  zeroValue :: a
instance ZeroAppender Int where
  append = (+)
  zeroValue = 0
warning_orphanInstance :: String
warning_orphanInstance = """
Be aware of what an 'orphan instance' is.
See the following link for more info:
https://github.com/purescript/documentation/blob/master/errors/
OrphanInstance.md
11 11 11
{-
Note: Type class instances that use type aliases (i.e. the `type` keyword)
will fail to compile. The following code demonstrates this.
-}
-- Uncomment me and I'll become a compiler error
-- type Age = Int
-- instance TypeClassDefiningValue Age where
-- Type classes are useful for constraining types, which will be covered next.
-- necessary to make file compile
data ReturnType = ReturnType
data SomeType
```

# 02-Constraining-Types-Using-Typeclasses.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.Constraints where
import Prelude
-- Adding a Type Class constraint to a type signature
-- enables usage of the corresponding type class' function in that context:
-- Syntax: Adding constraints on Function's type signature
function :: TypeClass1 Type1 => TypeClass2 Type2 => {- and so on -} Type1 ->
ReturnType
function arg = "return result"
-- example
class ToInt a where
  toInt :: a -> Int
data List a
                     -- end of list
  = Nil
  Cons a (List a) -- a head element and the rest of the list (tail)
                      -- 'a' must have an 'ToInt' instance for this to compile
stringList_to_intList :: forall a. ToInt a => List a -> List Int
stringList_to_intList Nil = Nil
stringList_to_intList (Cons head tail) = Cons (toInt head)
(stringList_to_intList tail)
-- Coupling this with the `forall` syntax:
function0 :: forall a b. TypeClass1 a => TypeClass2 b => a -> b -> String
function0 a b = "return result"
-- Syntax: Adding constraints on type class instances
-- This type class turns any type into a String so we can
-- print it to the console when needed
class Show_ a where -- this is the same signature for Show found in Prelude
  show_ :: a -> String
-- Problem:
-- Say we have a data type called "Box" that just contains a value:
data Boxx a = Boxx a
-- If we want to implement the `Show` typeclass for it, we are limited to this:
instance Show (Boxx a) where
  show (Boxx _) = "Box(<unknown value>)"
{-
We would like to also show the 'a' value stored in Box. How do we do that?
  By constraining our types in the Box to also have a Show instance: -}
```

```
-- Syntax
instance (TypeClass1 a) => {-
                   (TypeClassN a) => -} TypeClass1 (IntanceType a) where
  function1 _ = "body"
data Box a = Box a
{- example: Read the following as:
"I can 'show' a Box only if the type stored in the Box can also be shown."
-}
instance (Show a) => Show (Box a) where
  show (Box a) = "Box(" \iff show a \iff ")"
-- We have names for specific parts of the instance
instance (InstanceContext a) => A_TypeClass (InstanceHead a) where
  function2 _ = "body"
-- Implicit Usage: Since we know that the values below are of type "Box Int"
-- We can use "show" without constraining any types.
test1 :: Boolean
test1 =
  show (Box 4) == "Box(4)"
test2 :: Boolean
test2 =
  show (Box (Box 5)) == "Box(Box(5))"
-- Explicit Usage: The only thing we know about 'a' is that it can be shown.
showIt :: forall a. Show a => a -> String
showIt showableThing = show showableThing
-- All of these work because they all have a Show instance.
test3 :: String
test3 = showIt 4
test4 :: String
test4 = showIt (Box 5)
test5 :: String
test5 = showIt (Box (Box (Box 5)))
-- necessary to make file compile
class TypeClass1 a where
  function1 :: a -> String
class InstanceContext :: Type -> Constraint
class InstanceContext a
instance InstanceContext a
data InstanceHead :: Type -> Type
data InstanceHead a = InstanceHead
```

```
class A_TypeClass a where
  function2 :: a -> String

instance TypeClass1 String where
  function1 a = a

class TypeClass2 :: Type -> Constraint
class TypeClass2 a

instance TypeClass2 String

type Type1 = String
type Type2 = String
type ReturnType = String

data IntanceType a = InstanceType a
```

## 03-Dictionaries--How-Type-Classes-Work.purs

module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.Dictionaries where

```
{-
Previously, we saw that `show` could be used "implicitly" when we
knew what the type was and "explicitly" when we did not know what
the type was but knew it had a constraint
In both cases, the compiler automatically figures out how which instance's
implementation to use. But how does it do this? How do Type Classes work?
Dictionaries are what enable a function/value to magically appear in the
implementation of a function's body. The below code is a summary of
this article about type class 'dictionaries' written by Jonathan Fischoff:
https://web.archive.org/web/20200116160958/https://www.schoolofhaskell.com/
user/jfischoff/instances-and-dictionaries
I could not explain it clearer nor more concisely than Jonathan did.
-}
-- This code....
class ToBoolean a where
  toBoolean :: a -> Boolean
 unUsed :: a -> String
example :: forall a. ToBoolean a => a -> Boolean
example value = toBoolean value
-- ... gets desugared to this code
data ToBooleanDictionary a =
 ToBooleanDictionary
    { toBoolean :: a -> Boolean
    , unUsed :: a -> String
   }
example' :: forall a. ToBooleanDictionary a -> a -> Boolean
example' (ToBooleanDictionary record) value = record.toBoolean value
```

## **04-Typeclass-Relationships.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.RequiredTypeClasses where
import Prelude
Type classes can also have relationships with other type classes.
While the syntax looks hierarchial (i.e. parent-child relationships),
they aren't necessarily hierarchical. Rather, one should see them as
"conditional," which will be shown soon.
-}
-- Here's the syntax. It reads,
      "Type 'a' can have an instance of the type class,
      'ActualTypeClass.' However, it must also have an instance
      of the type class, 'RequiredTypeClass.'"
class RequiredTypeClass a <= ActualTypeClass a where</pre>
  functionName :: a -> ReturnType
-- examples
-- the required type class of 'PlusFive'
class ToInt a where
  toInt :: a -> Int
class ToInt a <= PlusFive a where</pre>
  plusFive :: a -> Int
-- Writing an instance of ActualTypeClass does not require a constraint
-- from RequiredTypeClass in its type signature as this is already known due
-- to `ActualTypeClass`'s definition
instance ActualTypeClass TheType where
  functionName _ = "body"
-- example
instance ToInt Boolean where
  toInt true = 1
  toInt false = 0
instance PlusFive Boolean where
  plusFive b = 5 + toInt b
-- using it in code
test1 :: Boolean
test1 = (plusFive true) == 6
test2 :: Boolean
test2 = (plusFive false) == 5
-- Now let's explain what we mean by "conditional."
instance ToInt Int where
  -- notice how the required type class, `ToInt`, is using functions
  -- from its extension type class, `PlusFive`.
```

```
toInt x = plusFive x
instance PlusFive Int where
  plusFive b = 5 + b
-- If a type implements instances for a number of type classes, its instances
-- can use any of these type class' functions/values. Still,
-- one of those instances will actually need to be independent from the
-- others (i.e. it doesn't use any functions/values from other type classes).
-- A type class can also combine multiple typeclasses. Sometimes,
-- they will add additional functionality or laws. Other times,
-- they simply combine two or more type classes into one.
class RequiredTypeClass1 a where
  fn1 :: a -> String
class RequiredTypeClass2 a where
  fn2 :: a -> String
-- Example of combining and adding additional functionality:
class (RequiredTypeClass1 a, RequiredTypeClass2 a {-, ... -}) <= TheTypeClass a</pre>
where
  function :: a -> a
-- Example of only combining and not adding any additional functionality.
-- Sometimes, this will add another law; other times, it only combines
-- multiple type classes together:
class (RequiredTypeClass1 a, RequiredTypeClass2 a {-, ... -}) <= CombineOnly a</pre>
-- necessary to make file compile
type ReturnType = String
data TheType = TheType
class RequiredTypeClass a where
  fn :: a -> String
instance RequiredTypeClass TheType where
  fn _ = "body"
```

## **05-Typeclasses-with-No-Definitions.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclasses.NoDefinition where
import Prelude
Some type classes do not declare any functions or values in their definition.
This usually occurs for one of two reasons:
1. They specify another law on top of the previous type class.
For example, the 'ToString' type class converts any type's value into a String.
class ToString a where
 toString :: a -> String
-- However, it doesn't specify how big or small that String should be.
-- So, we can extend it with another type class that adds a law on how
-- long the String can be before it's too long.
class (ToString a) <= ToString_50CharLimit a -- no "where" keyword here!</pre>
  -- no function or value here!
-- Assuming we've already written the `ToString` instance,
-- to create an instance for the above type class, we'd write:
instance ToString_50CharLimit Int -- no "where" keyword!
-- This instance means the developer who wrote it asserts that
-- the given type, Int, satisfies the given law.
A developer making a library that specifies such a type as this has
documented through the types what users of that library should expect:
  calling 'toString a' will produce a String that is 50 chars or less.
Note:
Since the following are true...
 - `toString` defines a function `toString`
 - Int has an instance of `ToString`
  - `ToString_50CharLimit` adds a law to `ToString`'s `toString` function
  - Int has an instance of `ToString_50CharLimit`
... then a function that uses `show Int` will still output a String
that is 50 chars or less, even if the Int is not constrained to
the `ToString_50CharLimit` type class.
Since the latter imposes more restrictions on the former, the former must
also abide by those restrictions.
If one wanted to avoid this, they should define a new type class that
adds a function specifically for that:
  class (ToString a) <= ToString_50CharLimt_2 a where</pre>
```

```
toString_limited a = -- implementaton that uses 'show'
-}
-- 2. Some type classes merely combine two or more type classes together:
data Box a = Box a
class Wrap a where
 wrapIntoBox :: a -> Box a
class Unwrap a where
 unwrapFromBox :: Box a -> a
class (Wrap a, Unwrap a) <= Boxable a</pre>
-- To create an instance of `Boxable`, we need to define instances
-- for Wrap, Unwrap, and Boxable, even if `Boxable` doesn't require
-- you to implement any functions/values.
instance Wrap Int where
 wrapIntoBox i = Box i
instance Unwrap Int where
  unwrapFromBox (Box i) = i
instance Boxable Int
useBoxable :: forall a. (Boxable a) => a -> a
useBoxable a = unwrapFromBox (wrapIntoBox a)
-- Necessary to compile
instance ToString Int where
 toString = show
```

### 06-Type-Class-Kind-Signatures.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.KindSignatures where
import Prelude
{-
We saw previously that a data type can have a kind signature:
-- Kind Signature: Type -> Type -> Type
data ImplicitKindSignature1 a b = ImplicitKindSignature2 a b String
data ExplicitKindSignature1 :: Type -> Type
data ExplicitKindSignature1 a b = ExplicitKindSignature1 a b String
-- Kind Signature:
                           Type -> Type
type ImplicitKindSignature2 a = ImplicitKindSignature1 a Int
type ExplicitKindSignature2 :: Type -> Type
type ExplicitKindSignature2 a = ExplicitKindSignature1 a Int
-- We also saw that we can use type classes to constrain data types
showStuff :: forall a. Show a => a -> String
showStuff a = "Showing 'a' produces " <> show a
{-
It turns out that type classes can also have kind signatures.
However, rather than the right-most value representing a "concrete" type,
these represent a "concrete" constraint.
-- Kind Signature: Type -> Consraint
class ImplicitKindSignature a where
  someValue1 :: a -> String
class ExplicitKindSignature :: Type -> Constraint
class ExplicitKindSignature a where
  someValue2 :: a -> String
-- Remember, `data` and `type`'s right-most entity/kind is `Type` whereas
-- type classes' right-most entity/kind is `Constraint`.
```

### **07-Multi-Paramter.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.MultiParameters where
import Prelude
-- A type class can have more than just a single parameter as its type.
-- Syntax
class MultiParameterTypeClass1 type1 type2 {- typeN -} where
  functionName1 :: type1 -> type2 -> {- typeN -> -} ReturnType
-- Again, a parameter could be the return type
class MultiParameterTypeClass2 type1 type2 {- typeN -} where
  functionName2 :: Int -> type1 -> {- typeN -> -} type2
-- example (not practical, but gets the idea across)
class ConvertFromAToB a b where
  convert :: a -> b
instance ConvertFromAToB Boolean String where
  convert true = "true"
  convert false = "false"
instance ConvertFromAToB Boolean Int where
 convert true = 1
  convert false = 0
toString :: forall a. ConvertFromAToB a String => a -> String
toString a = convert a
test :: Boolean
test = (toString true) == "true"
-- necessary to make file compile
type ReturnType = String
```

## **08-Functional-Dependencies.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.MultiParameters.FunctionalDependencies where
{-
Sometimes in multi-parameter type classes, there is a relationship
between the types. In such cases, we call them 'functional dependencies' (FDs).
The next block summarizes these links:
- https://stackoverflow.com/questions/20040224/functional-dependencies-in-
haskell/20040427#20040427
- https://stackoverflow.com/questions/20040224/functional-dependencies-in-
haskell/20040343#20040343
- Section 2.1.2 shows an example where it needs FDs to work correctly
    https://jgbm.github.io/pubs/morris-icfp2010-instances.pdf
Syntax:
  Read
    class SomeClass type1 type2 | type1 -> type2
  as
    "Once you tell the type inferencer what the types on the left-hand side
    of the arrow are (e.g. `type1`), then the type inferencer will stop
    trying to infer what the types on the right-hand side of the arrow are
    (e.g. `type2`).
    Rather, the compiler will look for an instance where
    the left-hand side types are defined and use that instance
    to determine what the right-hand side types are. If the compiler finds
    multiple instances where the left-hand side types are the same types
    between instances but the right-hand side types are different,
    it will throw a compiler error.
-}
class TypeClassWithFunctionalDependency type1 type2 | type1 -> type2 where
  functionName1 :: type1 -> type2
-- Example
data Box a = Box a
class Unwrap a b | a -> b where
  unwrap :: a -> b
-- Here, the type of "a" (i.e. Box String) determines what "b" will be:
instance Unwrap (Box String) String where
  unwrap (Box s) = s
{-
If we defined another instance of `Unwrap` where
"a" is the same type (e.g. `Box String`) but `b` is different,
the compiler will throw an error:
instance Unwrap (Box String) Int where
  unwrap (Box s) = length s
                                                                             -}
```

```
-- If multiple types determine what another type is, use this syntax:
class ManyTypesDetermineAnotherType a b c | a b {- n -} -> c where
  functionName2 :: a -> b -> c
class OneTypeDeterminesManyTypes a b c | a -> b c where
  functionName3 :: a -> b -> c
-- We can also add an explicit kind signature here:
class OneInfersMany_ExplicitKindSignature :: Type -> Type -> Type -> Constraint
class OneInfersMany_ExplicitKindSignature a b c | a -> b c where
  functionName4 :: a -> b -> c
{-
In some situations, there might be multiple ways to determine
a type. In such cases, we can use multiple FDs to tell the compiler
how to infer a given type in the type class.
The following two FDs can be read as,
  "Make the type checker try to find an instance of ManyFDRelationships where
  the `a` type and `b` type are known and then use
  the instance to infer what the `c` type is.
  However, if the type checker can't ultimately find such an instance,
  then try to find an instance where the `c` type is known and
  use that instance to infer what the `a` type and `b` type are."
class ManyFDRelationships a b c | a b -> c, c -> a b where
  functionName5 :: a -> b -> c
-- Same thing but with a kind signature.
class ManyFDRelationships_KindSignature :: Type -> Type -> Constraint
class ManyFDRelationships_KindSignature a b c | a b -> c, c -> a b where
  functionName6 :: a -> b -> c
{-
In short, the type checker will use the FDs to determine how it should "unify"
the types together. If one FD fails, it'll go to the next one. If all of them
fail, it'll assume that there is no such type class instance.
-}
{-
In Haskell literature, functional dependencies can also be written as
"Type Families." To see how one can write the same concept in both
styles, see the below link:
https://wiki.haskell.org/GHC/Type_families#The_class_declaration_2
For advantages/disadvantages of both approaches, see these links:
https://wiki.haskell.org/Functional_dependencies_vs._type_families
https://ghc.haskell.org/trac/ghc/wiki/TFvsFD
```

-}

## **09-Instance-Chains.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.InstanceChains where
-- ## Instance Chains: Syntax
import Prelude -- imports the '+' operation below...
data Type1 = Type1
data Type2 = Type2
data Type3 = Type3
-- A kind signature is necessary here because `theType`
-- `ExampleClass1` doesn't define a function or value that refers to `theType`
-- in that function/value's type signature.
class ExampleClass1 :: Type -> Constraint
class ExampleClass1 theType
-- Instance chains are a workaround to the problem of "overlapping instances."
-- Here's how the syntax works:
instance ExampleClass1 Type1
else instance ExampleClass1 Type2
-- ...
else instance ExampleClass1 Type3
-- For readability, the `else` and `instance` keywords can appear on
-- their own line or with a newline separating the keywords
class ExampleClass2 :: Type -> Constraint
class ExampleClass2 theType
instance ExampleClass2 Type1
instance ExampleClass2 Type2
else
instance ExampleClass2 Type3
-- ## Instance Chains: Use Cases
-- Instance chains are useful because they allow you to define multiple
-- instances for a given type class, but define the order in which the
-- type class constraint is solved.
data SomeRandomType
  = FirstValue
  SecondValue
class ProduceAnInt a where
  mkInt :: a -> Int
-- When solving for `ProduceAnInt someType`, the compiler will
-- solve for `someType` in the following order:
instance ProduceAnInt Int where
  mkInt theInt = theInt
```

```
else
instance ProduceAnInt String where
  mkInt _ = 13
instance ProduceAnInt SomeRandomType where
 mkInt FirstValue = 89
 mkInt SecondValue = 98
else
instance ProduceAnInt allOtherPossibleTypes where
  mkInt _ = 42
data HasNoInstance = HasNoInstance
example :: Int
example =
  (mkInt 1 ) + (mkInt "foo") + (mkInt FirstValue) + (mkInt HasNoInstance)
{-
 which, once the constraints are solved, will be the same as computing
             + (13)
                            + (89)
                                                  + (42)
  (1)
-}
-- ## Instance Chains Gotchas: No Backtracking
-- Given the following type class
class Stringify a where
  stringify :: a -> String
-- One might write an instance chain like so with the following idea:
-- 1. First attempt to show the item using that type class instance
-- 2. Otherwise, indicate that it cannot be shown.
instance (Show allPossibleTypes) => Stringify allPossibleTypes where
  stringify a = show a
else
instance Stringify a where
  stringify _ = "The value could not be converted into a String."
-- Then, one might attempt to use that code like so:
data Foo = Foo
-- failsToCompile :: String
-- failsToCompile = stringify "a normal string" <> stringify Foo
{-
Uncommenting that will produce the following compiler error:
  No type class instance was found for
      Data. Show. Show Foo
```

```
while applying a function stringify
   of type Stringify t0 => t0 -> String
   to argument Foo
 while checking that expression stringify Foo
   has type String
  in value declaration failsToCompile
 where t0 is an unknown type
-}
-- Why does this occur? Because the `doMeFirst` instance will match on
-- every type since the parameter passed to Stringify is literally
-- `allPossibleTypes`. It will then attempt to find the `Show` instance
-- for `allPossibleTypes`. In the case of `Foo`, which does not
-- have such an instance, the compiler does not "backtrack" and
-- attempt to use the `defaultToMeOtherwise` instance. Rather, it immediately
-- fails with the above error.
-- Backtracking is a feature that has not yet been implemented in the
-- compiler.
```

### 01-Keyword--Newtype.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Newtype where
import Prelude
The last data type keyword to explain here is `newtype`.
It is a compile-time-only type that only takes one type as its argument.
These are useful primarily for two reasons
  - They add a more meaningful name to another type (like type aliases)
      but act as a completely different type (unlike type aliases).
  - They are compile-time-only types, so one does not incur runtime overhead
      (like type aliases).

    They need to be constructed/deconstructed in code (unlike type aliases).

      When used with Phantom Types (see the `Design Patterns` folder), they can
      restrict how developers can use the type in very useful ways.
  - They enable one to define multiple type class instances for the same type.
-}
-- Syntax:
newtype NewTypeName = OnlyAllowsOneConstructor
WhichOnlyTakesOneArgument_TheWrappedType
newtype NamedStringType = NamedStringType String
-- Pattern matching on a type defined via the `newtype` keyword works
-- just like a type defined via the `data` keyword.
-- You can expose the value wrapped by the newtype constructor
-- using a pattern match and/or `case _ of` syntax
patternMatching :: String
patternMatching =
  unwrap_a_newtype_via_pattern_match
    (wrap_a_value_via_constructor
      (unwrap_a_newtype_via_pattern_match
        (NamedStringType "example")
      )
    )
  where
    wrap_a_value_via_constructor :: String -> NamedStringType
    wrap_a_value_via_constructor str = NamedStringType str
    unwrap_a_newtype_via_pattern_match :: NamedStringType -> String
    unwrap_a_newtype_via_pattern_match (NamedStringType str) = str
    unwrap_a_newtype_via_case_of_syntax :: NamedStringType -> String
    unwrap_a_newtype_via_case_of_syntax = case _ of
      NamedStringType str -> str
-- Given the following code:
data Box a = Box a
```

```
class Show_ a where
  show_ :: a -> String
instance (Show a) => Show (Box a) where
  show (Box a) = "Box(" \iff show a \iff ")"
-- What if we wanted to use a different type class instance for `Box` in some
-- situations, but not want to redefine `Box` as a new type with a different
-- name? We would do this:
newtype Box2 a = Box2 (Box a)
-- Since `Box2` is a different type than `Box`, we can define a type class
-- instance on it. This is a way to provide an alternative `Show` instance
-- on the underlying `Box` type.
instance (Show a) => Show (Box2 (Box a)) where
  show (Box2 (Box a)) = "Box with value of [" <> show a <> "] inside of it."
-- Or, to add more context to a type, we can use a newtype to ensure we
-- - don't use a `String` where we need to use a `Name`.
    - don't use an `Int` where we need to use an `Age`.
newtype Name = Name String
newtype Age = Age Int
newtype Relationships = Relationships (List People)
-- Assuming all three above have a Show instance:
-- printPerson :: Name -> Age -> Relationships -> String
-- printPerson (Name n) (Age i) (Relationships l) =
      "Name: " <> n <> ", Age: " <> show i <> ", Relationships: " <> show l
-- Similar to `data` and `type`, newtypes can also have a kind signature:
-- Implicit kind signature: Type -> Type
newtype SomeValue a = SomeValue (Box a)
newtype SomeValue_ExplicitKindSignature :: Type -> Type
newtype SomeValue_ExplicitKindSignature a = SomeValueExplicit (Box a)
-- needed to compile
type WhichOnlyTakesOneArgument_TheWrappedType = String
data List :: Type -> Type
data List a
data People
```

### **02-Recursive-Types-Newtypes.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Newtype.Recursive where
-- The following code does not compile because type synonyms are
-- expanded to their definition. So, the following code produces
-- an infinite loop
-- data Either l r
-- = Left l
-- | Right r
-- type Foo = { value :: Either Int Foo }
-- which expands to...
-- { value :: Either Int Foo }
-- { value :: Either Int { value :: Either Int Foo } }
-- { value :: Either Int { value :: Either Int { value :: Either Int Foo } } }
-- { value :: Either Int { value :: Either Int { value :: Either Int ... } } }
-- We can workaround that problem by wrapping the type in a newtype
data Either l r
 = Left l
  | Right r
newtype Foo = Foo { value :: Either Int Foo }
example1 :: Foo
example1 = Foo { value: Left 1 }
example2 :: Foo
example2 = Foo { value: Right (Foo { value: Left 1 }) }
example3 :: Foo
example3 = Foo { value: Right (Foo { value: Right (Foo { value: Left 1 }) }) }
```

## 01-Supported-Compiler-TypeClasses.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Deriving.SupportedTypeClasses where
import Prelude
-- Given the following type classes, Eq and Ord
-- | Determines whether two values of the same type are equal
class Eq_ a where
 eq_ :: a -> a -> Boolean
data Ordering_ = LT_ | GT_ | EQ_
-- | Determines whether left is less than, greater than, or equal to right
class Ord_ a where
  compare_ :: a -> a -> Ordering_
-- Original credit: @paf31
-- Link: https://github.com/paf31/24-days-of-purescript-2016/blob/
master/3.markdown
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Unported License.
    https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/3.0/deed.en_US
data Type1
 = First Int
  | Second String
-- To create instances of `Eq` and `Ord` for `Type` we'd usually write it by
hand:
instance Eq Type1 where
  eq (First a) (First b) = a == b
 eq (Second a) (Second b) = a == b
 eq _ _ = false
instance Ord Type1 where
  compare (First a) (First b) = compare a b
  compare (First _) _ = LT
  compare (Second a) (Second b) = compare a b
  compare (Second _) _ = GT
-- Imagine if we added a Third constructor to Type. We'd need to account for
-- that type as well now.
-- This gets tedious and, fortunately, the compiler can figure out what these
-- should be based on the 'shape' of the types. To reduce the boilerplate,
-- we can just add `derive` in front of the instance and not implement
-- the function:
data Type2
  = First2 Int
```

```
| Second2 String
derive instance Eq Type2
derive instance Ord Type2
test2 :: Boolean
test2 =
  (compare (First2 1) (Second2 "Foo")) == LT
-- Ordering between "First" and "Second" depend on their sequence in the ADT.
data Type3
  = Second3 String
  | First3 Int
derive instance Eq Type3
derive instance Ord Type3
test3 :: Boolean
test3 =
  (compare (First3 1) (Second3 "Foo")) == GT
-- In other cases (like higher-kinded types),
-- we can use type class constraints to derive them:
data Box a = Box a
derive instance Eq a => Eq (Box a)
derive instance Ord a => Ord (Box a)
Note: this works for only two reasons:
First, because Int and String
  both have an Eq and Ord instance. If one of these did not,
  then the compiler would not know how to create them.
Second, because we can only derive instances for the type classes
that have special support in the compiler.
For a complete list of these type classes, see
https://github.com/purescript/documentation/blob/master/guides/Type-Class-
Deriving.md#classes-with-built-in-compiler-support
Some type classes come from different libraries and may entail additional
requirements for their usage.
(These type classes can also be derived but they use a different syntax):
  - Data.Newtype (from `purescript-newtype`)
  - Data.Generic.Rep (from `purescript-generics-rep`)
-}
```

# **02-Instances-for-Newtyped-Types.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Deriving.NewtypedTypes where
import Prelude
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-- Original credit: @paf31
-- Link: https://github.com/paf31/24-days-of-purescript-2016/blob/
master/4.markdown
-- Changes made:
-- - use meta-language to explain newtype typeclass derivation syntax
-- - added example of `Box a`
-- - added `example1` and `example2`
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-- Newtypes are used to wrap existing types with more information around them
newtype EmailAddress1 = EmailAddress1 String
-- However, defining type class instances for them
-- can get tedious:
instance Eq EmailAddress1 where
  eq (EmailAddress1 s1) (EmailAddress1 s2) = s1 == s2
-- same for Ord type class
-- same for other newtypes
newtype Phone = Phone String
newtype FirstName = FirstName String
-- etc...
-- This is boilerplate since we unpack the instance and delegate the function
-- to the wrapped type's implementation. It's also inefficient in terms of
-- evaluation. Purescript gives us a way to derive, for newtypes, any instance
-- the boxed type implements, using the following syntax.
-- We use 'derive newtype' in front of the instance:
newtype EmailAddress2 = EmailAddress2 String
derive newtype instance Eq EmailAddress2
derive newtype instance Eq Phone
derive newtype instance Eq FirstName
-- And now we can use it:
example1 :: EmailAddress2 -> EmailAddress2 -> Boolean
example1 email1 email2 = email1 == email2
-- If we have a type that takes a type paramter (i.e. the `a`)
data Box a = Box a
```

```
derive instance (Eq a) => Eq (Box a)

-- and we newtype that value
newtype SpecialBox a = SpecialBox (Box a)

-- then we need to add the `Eq a` constraint
-- before it will compile.
derive newtype instance (Eq a) => Eq (SpecialBox a)

example2 :: SpecialBox Int -> SpecialBox Int -> Boolean
example2 a b = a == b

-- <--- End</pre>
```

### 11-Deriving-Newtype.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Deriving.ClassNewtype where
import Prelude
import Data.Newtype (class Newtype, over)
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-- Link: https://github.com/paf31/24-days-of-purescript-2016/blob/
master/5.markdown
-- Changes made: use meta-language to explain Newtype typeclass derivation
syntax
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     https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/3.0/deed.en_US
-- Another useful class we can derive from is found in the `newtype` library:
purescript-newtype
class Newtype_ new old | new -> old
newtype EmailAddress3 = EmailAddress3 String
-- no need to indicate what "_" is (hint: it's `String`)
-- since the compiler can figure it out
derive instance Newtype EmailAddress3 _
-- Data.Newtype provides other useful functions that lets us avoid manually
-- wrapping and unwrapping. For example:
upperEmail :: EmailAddress3 -> EmailAddress3
upperEmail = over EmailAddress3 prefixWithText
-- To see the full list, look at the package's docs:
-- https://pursuit.purescript.org/packages/purescript-newtype/3.0.0/docs/
Data.Newtype
-- <--- End
-- needed to compile
-- | prefixes a given string with 'text'
prefixWithText :: String -> String
prefixWithText str = "text" <> str
```

# 12-Deriving-Generic.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Deriving.ClassGeneric where
import Data. Generic. Rep (class Generic, NoArguments, Sum, Product, Constructor,
Argument, to, from)
{-
`Generic` is another useful class we can derive. It's found in the `prelude`
See the `Design Patterns/Generics` file for why it's useful.
class Generic type representation | type -> representation, representation ->
type where
  to_ :: representation -> type
  from_ :: type -> representation
Normally, we would define a data type and then derive the `Generic` instance
by writing the following:
  derive instance Generic NameOfType _
But what is the type hidden/implied by `_`? The rest of this file
demonstrates what the `_` value is.
The rest of the file helps demonstrate what the `representation` value
will be if you decide to use `Generic`.
-}
-- We'll define a class that's essentially the same as `Generic`
-- but allows us to be explicit about what `_` is
-- and then implement the type's instance by reusing the
-- corresponding function from the `Generic` type class.
class Generic_ type_ representation | type_ -> representation, representation -
> type_ where
  to_ :: representation -> type_
  from_ :: type_ -> representation
-- Given the below types
data NoArgs = NoArgs
-- This...
derive instance Generic NoArgs _
-- ... translates to this:
instance Generic_ NoArgs (Constructor "NoArgs" NoArguments) where
  to_ = to
  from_ = from
data Product5 a b c d e = Product5 a b c d e
-- Notice how the nested Products produce a linked-list like structure
-- rather than a tree-like structure.
derive instance Generic (Product5 a b c d e) _
instance
```

```
Generic_ (Product5 a b c d e)
    ( Constructor "Product5"
        ( Product
            (Argument a)
            ( Product
                 (Argument b)
                 ( Product
                    (Argument c)
                     ( Product
                         (Argument d)
                         (Argument e)
                    )
                )
            )
        )
    )
 where
  to_ = to
  from_ = from
data Sum5 a b c d e
  = SumA a
  | SumB b
  I SumC c
  | SumD d
  | SumE e
-- Notice how the nested Sums produce a linked-list like structure
-- rather than a tree-like structure.
derive instance Generic (Sum5 a b c d e) _
instance
  Generic_ (Sum5 a b c d e)
    ( Sum
        (Constructor "SumA" (Argument a))
        ( Sum
            (Constructor "SumB" (Argument b))
            ( Sum
                 (Constructor "SumC" (Argument c))
                ( Sum
                     (Constructor "SumD" (Argument d))
                     (Constructor "SumE" (Argument e))
                )
            )
        )
    )
 where
  to_ = to
  from_ = from
newtype StartingPoint = StartingPoint (Sum5 NoArgs (Product5 Int Int Int
Int) NoArgs NoArgs NoArgs)
derive instance Generic StartingPoint _
```

### 01-Partial.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.Special.Partial where
-- This function is imported from the `purescript-partial` library.
import Partial.Unsafe (unsafePartial)
-- Normally, the compiler will require a function to always exhaustively
-- pattern match on a given type. In other words, the function is "total."
data TwoValues = Value1 | Value2
renderTwoValues :: TwoValues -> String
renderTwoValues = case _ of
 Value1 -> "Value1"
 Value2 -> "Value2"
-- In the above example, removing the line with `Value2 -> "Value2"`
-- from the source code would result in a compiler error as the function
-- would no longer be "total" but "partial."
-- However, there may be times when we wish to remove that compiler
restriction.
-- This can occur when we know that a non-exhaustive pattern match will
-- not fail or when we wish to write more performant code that only works
-- when the function has a valid argument.
-- In such situations, we can add the `Partial` type class constraint
-- to indicate that a function is no longer a "total" function but is now
-- a "partial" function. In othe rwords, the pattern match is no longer
-- exhaustive. If someone calls the function with an invalid invalid argument,
-- it will produce a runtime error.
renderFirstValue :: Partial => TwoValues -> String
renderFirstValue Value1 = "Value1"
        -- There is no `Value2` line here!
-- When we wish to call partial functions, we must remove that `Partial`
-- type class constraint by using the function `unsafePartial`.
-- unsafePartial :: forall a. (Partial a => a) -> a
callWithNoErrors_renderFirstValue :: String
callWithNoErrors_renderFirstValue = unsafePartial (renderFirstValue Value1)
-- Uncomment this code and run it in the REPL. It will produce a runtime error.
callWithRuntimeErrors_renderFirstValue :: String
callWithRuntimeErrors_renderFirstValue =
  unsafePartial (renderFirstValue Value2)
```

# **02-Coercible.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.Special.Coercible where
import Prelude
import Prim.Coerce (class Coercible)
import Safe.Coerce (coerce)
-- ## Linking to the paper for an (optional) detailed explanation
-- In this file, we'll provide a beginner-friendly summary of the paper
-- that is linked below. For our purposes, we will only explain the bare
-- minimum necessary to make the rest of this file make sense.
-- If you wish to know more, read the paper below. However, be warned that
-- those who are new to functional programming will likely not understand
-- as much until they understand the `Functor` and/or `Foldable` type classes.
-- These are covered in the `Hello World/Prelude-ish` folder in this project.
-- Here's the paper: "Safe zero-cost coercions for Haskell"
-- https://repository.brynmawr.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?
referer=&httpsredir=1&article=1010&context=compsci_pubs
-- ## Summary of the Problem
-- While we have stated earlier that newtypes are "zero-cost abstractions"
-- in that one does not incur a performance penalty for wrapping and unwrapping
-- a newtyped value, there are some situations where this is not true.
-- For example, let's say you had the following types:
-- | A comment that has multiple lines of text.
newtype MultiLineComment = MultiLineComment String
-- | A comment that has only 1 line of text.
newtype SingleLineComment = SingleLineComment String
-- Let's say we wish to convert an `Array MultiLineComment` into
-- `Array SingleLineComment` via the function,
      `exposeLines :: String -> Array String`
-- While newtypes are "zero-cost abstractions," this particular algorithm
-- would incur a heavy performance cost. Here's what we would have to do:
-- 1. Convert the `MultiLineComment` type into the `String` type
        by iterating through the entire `Array MultiLineComment` and unwrapping
        the `MultiLineComment` newtype wrapper.
-- 2. Use `exposeLines` to convert each multi-line `String` into an `Array`
        of Strings by iterating through the resulting array.
        Each `String` in the resulting array would have only 1 line of content.
-- 3. Combine all `Arrays` of single-line `String`s into one Array.
        In other words, `combine :: Array (Array String) -> Array String`
-- 4. Convert the `String` type into the `SingleLineComment` type
```

```
by iterating through the final `Array` and wrapping each `String` in a
        `SingleLineComment` newtype.
-- Steps 1 and 4 are necessary to satisfy type safety. At the type-level,
-- a `String` is not a `MultiLineComment`, nor a `SingleLineComment`.
-- However, those three types do have the same runtime representation. Thus,
-- Steps 1 and 4 are an unnecessary performance cost. Due to using newtypes
-- in this situation, we iterate through the array two times more than needed.
-- A `MultiLineComment` can be converted into a `String` safely and
-- a `String` into a `SingleLineComment` safely. This type conversion
-- process is safe and therefore unnecessary. The problem is that the developer
-- does not have a way to provide the compiler with a proof of this safety.
-- If the compiler had this proof, it could verify it and no longer complain
-- when the developer converts the `Array MultiLineComment` into an
-- `Array String` through a O(1) functio.
-- The solution lays in two parts: the `Coercible` type class
-- and "role annotations."
-- ## Coercible
-- This is the exact definition of the `Coercible` type class. However,
-- we add the "_" suffix to distinguish this fake one from the real one.
class Coercible_ a b where
  coerce_ :: a -> b
-- The `Coercible` type class says, "I can safely convert a value of type `a`
-- into a value of type `b`." This solves our immediate problem, but it
-- introduces a new problem. Since the main usage of `Coercible` is to
-- remove the performance cost of newtypes in specific situations, how do
-- make it impossible to write `Coercible` instances for invalid types?
-- For example, a `DataBox` is a literal box at runtime because it uses the
-- `data` keyword. It actually has to wrap and unwrap the underying value:
data DataBox a = DataBox a
-- The `NewtypedBox` below is NOT a literal box at runtime because
-- it doesn't actually wrap/unwrap the underlying value.
newtype NewtypedBox theValue = NewtypedBox theValue
-- Thus, while we could have a type class instance for `MultiLineComment`,
-- `String`, and `SingleLineComment`, should we have an instance
-- between `DataBox` and `NewtypedBox`? The answer is no.
-- However, how would we tell that to the compiler, so it could verify that
-- for us? The answer is "role annotations."
-- ## Role Annotations
-- For another short explanation, see the answer to the post,
-- "What is a role?" https://discourse.purescript.org/t/what-is-a-role/2109/2
```

```
-- Role annotations tell the compiler what rules to follow when determining
-- whether a Coercible instance between two types is valid. There are
-- three possible values: representational, phantom, and nominal.
-- Role annotation syntax follows this syntax pattern:
-- `type role TheAnnotatedType oneRoleAnnotationForEachTypeParameter`
-- ### Representational
-- Representational says,
-- "If `A` can be safely coerced to `B` and the runtime representation of
       `Box a` does NOT depend on `a`, then `Box a` can be safely
       coerced to `Box b`." (in contrast to `nominal`)
-- Given a type like Box, which only has one type parameter, `a`...
data Box a = Box a
-- ... we would write the following:
type role Box representational
-- Here's another example that shows what to do when we have
-- multiple type parameters
data BoxOfThreeValues a b c = BoxOfThreeValues a b c
type role BoxOfThreeValues representational representational representational
-- ### Phantom
-- Phantom says,
-- "Two phantom types never have a runtime representation. Therefore,
-- two phantom types can always be coerced to one another."
-- Given a box-like type that has a phantom type parameter, `phantomType`...
data PhantomBox :: Type -> Type
data PhantomBox phantomType = PhantomBox
-- ... we would write the following:
type role PhantomBox phantom
-- Here's another example that mixes role annotations:
data BoxOfTwoWithPhantom :: Type -> Type -> Type -> Type
data BoxOfTwoWithPhantom a phantom b = BoxOfTwoWithPhantom
type role BoxOfTwoWithPhantom representational phantom representational
-- ### Nominal
-- Nominal says,
-- "If `A` can be safely coerced to `B` and the runtime representation of
       `Box a` DOES depend on `a`, then `Box a` can NOT be safely
       coerced to `Box b`." (in contrast to `representational`)
-- When we don't have enough information (e.g. writing FFI), we default
```

```
-- to the nominal role annotation. Below, we'll see why.
-- For example, let's consider `HashMap key value`. Let's say we use a type
-- called `Hashable` to calculate the hash of a given key. Since newtypes
-- can implement a different type class instance for the same runtime
-- representation, wrapping that value in a newtype and then hashing it
-- might not produce the same hash as the original. Thus, we would return
-- a different value.
class Hashable key where
 hash :: key -> Int
instance hashableInt :: Hashable Int where
 hash key = key
newtype SpecialInt = SpecialInt Int
derive instance eqSpecialInt :: Eq SpecialInt
instance hashableSpecialInt :: Hashable SpecialInt where
  hash (SpecialInt key) = key * 31
data Map key value = Map key value
type role Map representational representational
data Maybe a = Nothing | Just a
derive instance eqMaybe :: (Eq a) => Eq (Maybe a)
lookup
  :: forall key1 key2 value

    Coercible key2 key1

 => Hashable key1
  => Map key1 value
  -> key2
 -> Maybe value
lookup (Map k value) key =
 let
    coercedKey :: key1
    coercedKey = coerce key
  in
    if hash k == hash coercedKey then Just value
    else Nothing
normalMap :: Map Int Int
normalMap = Map 4 28
-- This will output `true`
testLookupNormal :: Boolean
testLookupNormal = (lookup normalMap 4) == (Just 4)
-- This will output `false`
```

```
testLookupSpecial :: Boolean
testLookupSpecial = (lookup specialMap 4) == (Just 4)
  where
   -- changes `Map 4 28` to `Map (SpecialInt 4) 28`
  specialMap :: Map SpecialInt Int
  specialMap = coerce normalMap

-- To prevent this possibility from ever occurring, we indicate that
   -- a type parameter's role is 'nominal'. Rewriting our `Map` implementation
   -- so that `key` is nominal would prevent this from occurring. Since
   -- the `value` type parameter does not affect the runtime representation,
   -- it can be representational.

data SafeMap key value = SafeMap key value

type role SafeMap nominal representational
```

## **01-Type-Equality-Not-Propagate.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.Typeclass.Gotchas.TypeEqualityNotPropagate where
import Unsafe.Coerce (unsafeCoerce)
-- ## Gotcha Number 1: Type Equality isn't yet included in Type Class
Constraints
-- ### Example of the Problem
-- Given a type class like so...
class TwoTypesButTheyAreTheSameThing :: Type -> Type -> Constraint
class TwoTypesButTheyAreTheSameThing a b | a -> b, b -> a
-- and an instance like so...
instance TwoTypesButTheyAreTheSameThing Int Int
-- ... the below code will fail to compile
{-
foo :: forall int
     . TwoTypesButTheyAreTheSameThing Int int
    => int
foo = 8
Compiler Error:
  Could not match type
      Int
    with type
      int0
  while checking that type Int
    is at least as general as type int0
  while checking that expression 8
    has type int0
  in value declaration foo
  where sameAsIntO is a rigid type variable
          bound at (line 9, column 7 - line 9, column 8)
-}
-- Why? Because the compiler does not also infer that `int` must be
-- the type, `Int`, when solving the type class constraint, even if the
-- instance and type class' functional dependencies indicate otherwise.
-- ### Current Workaround
class A_Determines_B :: Type -> Type -> Constraint
```

```
class A_Determines_B a b | a -> b
instance A_Determines_B Int String

-- The below "foreign import" syntax will be covered more in the FFI folder
foreign import data Computed :: Type -> Type

fromComputed :: forall a b. A_Determines_B a b => Computed a -> b
fromComputed = unsafeCoerce

toComputed :: forall a b. A_Determines_B a b => b -> Computed a
toComputed = unsafeCoerce

-- As hdgarood explained it,
-- "This is safe because you have to tell the compiler that you have an
-- `A_Determines_B a b` instance before it will coerce between the `a` and `b`.
-- But yes it's expected that constraints with fundeps don't propagate
-- type equalities. That's not yet implemented."
```

### **Global Typeclasses**

### **Type Class Instances: Global vs Local**

To state that a given type (e.g. Box) can satisfy a type class' requirements, one writes a "**type class instance**". This instance actually defines how a given type (e.g. Box) implements that type class (e.g. Functor).

A language can implement type classes in two different ways:

- Global: one type can only have one instance for any given type class.
- Local: one type can have multiple instances for any given type class.

PureScript uses global type class instances whereas languages like Scala use local type class instances. So, what's the difference?

#### **Benefits of Global Instances**

Let's say I use functions that require the underlying data type to satisfy the  $\,$ Functor  $\,$ type class' requirements. Sometimes, that underlying data type is  $\,$ Array  $\,$ . Sometimes, it's  $\,$ Box  $\,$ Sometimes, it's  $\,$ Maybe  $\,$ .

Global instances mean that a given data type (e.g. Box) can only have one instance for a given type class (e.g. Functor). Thus, every time and everywhere that I use Functor in my code where the underlying type is Functor0 in the same Functor1 instance is always used. This makes it easy for the compiler to figure out which instance to use, and the programmer does not have to think deeply about which instance will be used.

Local instances mean that a given data type (e.g. Box ) can have an infinite number of instances for a given type class (e.g. Functor ). Thus, any time I use Functor in my code and the underlying type is Box , any one of its instances could be used. This makes it harder for the compiler to figure out which instance to use. Ultimately, the compiler chooses an appropriate instance based on which instance is "closest" in the given scope. However, the programmer has to think more deeply about how to properly configure/arrange their code, so that the instance they want the compiler to choose is actually chosen and used.

#### **Costs of Global Instances: Orphan Instances**

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

Given this tradeoff, it may seem strange that global instances aren't used everywhere. If it's easier for the compiler and programmer, why use local instance?

The major pain point of global instances is "orphan instances."

For the below examples, let's say there is a type class, MyTypeClass, that is defined in Data.MyTypeClass. Let's say there is a data type, Box, that is defined in Data.Box. Let's say there is a third module, Data.Orphan, that has various other functions and values.

Due to how global instances work, an instance for a type class must be defined in one of two ways. There are two places where we could declare and implement the Box - MyTypeClass instance:

- either in Data.MyTypeClass module, which imports the Box module and its type
- or in the Data.Box module, which imports the Data.MyTypeClass module and its class.

If an instance is defined anywhere else (e.g. defined in Data.Orphan), it's called an "orphan instance." For example, Bob writes a library that exposes a type class (e.g. MyTypeClass). Sally, writes a data type that exposes a type (e.g. Box). The Box - MyTypeClass instance can be defined in either Bob's library or Sally's library. You are a third-party who wishes the Box - MyTypeClass instance was implemented differently than what either Bob or Sally implemented it as. However, since your module (e.g. Data.Orphan) is not one of those two modules, you cannot redefine the instance.

The only workaround to this situation is to define a newtype over Box that provides a different Box - MyTypeClass instance. While this seems simple to do, newtype wrapping and unwrapping can start to feel like "bloat" that gets in the way of other things.

#### **Why Orphan Instances Are Painful**

#### **An Example**

Let's say you have a library called purescript-unordered-collections that defines a data type called HashMap. Let's say you have another library called purescript-argonaut-codecs that defines two type classes called EncodeJson and DecodeJson. Where do you define HashMap 's instances for those two type classes?

If in the data-type library (where the HashMap data type is declared), then that library will need to depend on the codec library. If in the codec library (where the EncodeJson/DecodeJson type classes are declared), then it will need to depend on the data-type library.

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

Either way, someone will get annoyed by something:

once the instance is defined in either library, everyone in the ecosystem is now stuck
using that instance's definition. If they thought it should have been defined differently,
they often have to write boilerplatey code via newtype s to be able to define their own
instances.

Languages with local instances can shrug their shoulders as they have more control as to which instance gets chosen.

#### The Default Type Class

Type classes provide a "convenience" of sorts: rather than forcing the developer to pass in an implementation of the function, (a -> Boolean), the compiler can infer what that function's implementation is **as long as it can infer what the type of** a **is**.

Thus, new learners tend to reach the following conclusion. Let's say you are writing a library where you want to make it easier for the developer to use this library. At some point in the library, you need them to provide a default value. "Gee!" you think, "Why not use a type class called <code>Default</code>? The compiler can infer which instance to use and the developer's life will be that much easier!" While your intentions are good, that's a terrible idea as it will lead to "instance wars" due to orphan instances.

Although it can suffer from similar problems, a better choice is Monoid. See Gabriel Gonzalez' post on Defaults.

Similarly, read Don't Use Type Classes to Define Default Values.

#### Summary of Global vs Local Type Class Instances' Tradeoffs

Туре	Pros	Cons
Global	<ul> <li>Easier for the compiler to find an instance</li> <li>To the programmer, it's obvious which instance will be used</li> </ul>	Orphan Instances or writing boilerplatey newtyp code to get around them
Local	<ul> <li>Harder for the compiler to find an instance</li> <li>To the programmer, it's not obvious which instance will be used and</li> </ul>	Best instance for the problem can be used without boilerplate

Туре	Pros	Cons
	sometimes very difficult to properly	
	configure/arrange one's code, so that the	
	correct instance is eventually used	
	,	

Scala uses local instances. Haskell uses global instances and orphan instances are disallowed by default; however, I believe Haskell has an "escape hatch" that allows orphan instances to exist.

PureScript uses global instances, and orphan instances are strictly disallowed. Unlike Haskell, there are no "escape hatches." For more context, see Harry's comment in 'Disallow Orphan Instances' (purescript/purescript#1247).

### **Scrap Your Type Classes (SYTC)**

At the end of the day, mainstream usage of type classes provide a lot of convenience to the developer. Rather than defining a function that takes many arguments, it only takes a few arguments that highlight what you want to do.

As a result, some developers who encounter a problem will immediately decide to use type classes as their solution rather than some other language feature that is more appropriate (e.g. regular functions). For some problems, it is better to use regular functions rather than type classes. Regular functions might be less convenient than type classes, but they can be easier to use in some cases and more performant in others.

To understand the tradeoff, you must

- understand that type class constraints are replaced with arguments called 'type class dictionaries'
- 2. realize that the possibly "larger" type class dictionary object argument could be replaced with a "smaller" single function

For more context, see Scrap Your Type Classes

### **Other Usages of Type Classes**

Some type classes are purposefully designed to be lawless because they are used for other situations. Here are some examples:

- Type-level documentation
  - Partial represents a partial function: a function that does not always return a value for every input, but which will throw a runtime error on some inputs (covered in Design Patterns/Partial Functions)
- Custom compiler warnings/errors
  - Warn / Fail causes the compiler to emit a custom warning or a compiler error when the associated function/value is used in the code base (covered in Hello World/Debugging/Custom Type Errors)
- Type-level functions
  - Symbol.Append represents a type-level function (covered in Syntax/Type-Level Programming Syntax and Hello World/Type-Level Programming).
- Function/Value Name Overloading (see next section's explanation and debate about this idea)

#### **Debate: Must Type Classes Always Be Lawful?**

While I already linked to the following link in the 'default type class' issue explained above, the link also covers another topic: why type classes should be lawful. Focusing on that aspect, the following is a (somewhat biased) summary of Don't Use Type Classes to Define Default Values

Those that say "yes" likely value the benefit of laws. Laws guarantee relationships between functions and values. In short, it's easier to understand and reason about code that uses lots of generic types (e.g. forall a. a -> String) if one knows that functions that operate on values of the type, a, or values that provide an a value adhere to certain laws.

Those that say "no" likely value the benefit of overloading a function name with different implementations. For example, what if one wanted to provide a default value of some type? Reusing the function name "default" is pretty easy to understand. However, what laws does it abide by? Without a deeper context, it's hard, if not impossible, to say.

The counterargument from those that say "laws must be required" is: "one usually hasn't thought through their design that deeply yet." As an example, is Default Int just a different name for Monoid 's mempty, (i.e. 0 in addition (1 + 0 == 1 and 0 + 1 == 1)? Is their approach to their design actually flawed because there is a "better" way and they just haven't realized it yet?

Are there cases where the function name would "read well" in two contexts but mean two different things? For example, Context A's use of default might return 0 whereas Context B's use of default might return 12.

Thus, it seems that lawless type classes imply a domain-specific meaning in each context whereas lawful type classes imply a domain-independent meaning.

The reader is left with these question:

- Are there ever times where gaining the convenience of overloaded function names are worth the loss of lawful-reasoning?
  - Does this change when adds in other factors?
    - Time (e.g. cost is great short-term but sucks long-term; cost stays the same through short- and long-term)
    - Business cost (e.g. cost to refactor non-lawful type classes vs cost of only making lawful type classes when overloaded functions names would have made development easier / accomplished the goal at the end of the day)
    - Hobby (e.g. I'm just making a fun project that no one will ever use)
- If so, when should it be done? How would one know that it was the wrong approach and when would that likely happen?
- What problems did developer X face when sticking to Side A instead of Side B?

### **Designing Type Classes**

Why does PureScript disallow Orphan Instances while other languages (e.g. Haskell) allow them? Scala has type classes, but they don't function like PureScript's type classes.

If you are curious to learn more, read Type classes, class coherence and dependent types, which provides insight into the design and implementations of the 'type class' concept as well as implementations' tradeoffs.

# 01-Intro.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.VisibleTypeApplications.Intro where
                                                                             {-
Visible Type Applications is a feature that only works completely
as of PureScript 0.15.13. While it was supported earlier than that,
there were a few bugs that hindered its usage. The content in this file
and those that follow in this folder assume one is using PureScript 0.15.13.
Sometimes, using polymorphic code can be annoying
because the compiler cannot infer what type you want to use.
                                                                             -}
polymorphicCode :: forall pleaseInferThisType. pleaseInferThisType -> Int
polymorphicCode _someValue = 1
                                                                             {-
problematicUsage :: Int
problematicUsage = polymorphicCode []
The above code is commented out because it will produce a compiler error.
The empty array is inferred by the compiler to have the type,
`forall a. Array a`. Because there are no elements within the
array, the compiler has no idea what the element type is. So, it infers it
to the most generic type it can be: `forall a. a`.
In this situation, we would need to tell the compiler what that type is
by doing one of two things:
- indicating what the input type of `polymorphicCode` is
- indicating what the element type of the empty array is
There's two ways to tell the compiler what the type should be
when the compiler cannot figure it out.
The first way is to add a type annotation (usually after wrapping
the expression in parenthesis). This is annoying to do because
of the added parenthesis, two colons, and in some cases the need to
fully specify all the types of the function or value.
-}
usage_inputType :: Int
usage_inputType = (polymorphicCode :: Array String -> Int) []
usage_elemType :: Int
usage_elemType = polymorphicCode ([] :: Array String)
                                                                             {-
The second way is using "visible type applications".
Using `forall someType. someType -> Int` as an example, the
`forall someType.` part is really a function. We could read the above as
"Given an argument that is a type (e.g. `String`) rather than a value
(e.g. "foo"), I will return to you a function that takes a value of that type
and produce a value of type `Int`."
"Visible Type Applications" are called thus because these type arguments
```

usage3 = polymorphicCode2 true

are applied to these kinds of functions, but these applications that were previously invisible to the user are now made visible. Put differently, the compiler would automatically apply these type arguments but without the user's knowledge or input. Now, however, the user can also apply these type arguments.

Visible Type Applications (or VTAs for short) are opt-in syntax.

Visible Type Applications (or VTAs for short) are opt-in syntax. They only work if one writes their `forall` part a specific way by adding a `@` character in front of the type variable name (e.g. `someType` becomes `@someType`). Rewriting `polymorphicCode` to use this opt-in syntax, we get: polymorphicCode2 :: forall @pleaseInferThisType. pleaseInferThisType -> Int polymorphicCode2 \_someValue = 1 -- And now we can use it by applying the type `String` to that type variable. -- We apply the type by putting a `@` character in front of the type name. usage2\_example :: Int usage2\_example = polymorphicCode2 @String "bar" -- In our original case of using a higher-kinded type (e.g. `Array Int`), -- we need to wrap the type in parenthesis. usage2\_inputType :: Int usage2\_inputType = polymorphicCode2 @(Array String) [] -- Since `[]`'s inferred type is `forall a. Array a` rather than `forall @a. Array a`, -- we cannot use VTAs to determine the element type. -- This code is commented out because we'll get a compiler error. usage2\_elemType :: Int usage2\_elemType = polymorphicCode2 ([] @String)) -- Lastly, if we opt-in to this VTA syntax, we must either use it or not use it doesn't mean we have to use VTAs -- to make the function work. The below code is valid usage3 :: Int

## **02-Order-Matters.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.VisibleTypeApplications.OrderMatters where
-- When we write the following function...
basicFunction :: Int -> String -> Boolean -> String
basicFunction _i _s _b = "returned value"
-- ... we know that the order of the arguments matters.
-- The below usage is valid
usage :: String
usage = basicFunction 1 "foo" false
-- whereas this one is not because the first argument must be an `Int`
      usage2 :: String
      usage2 = basicFunction "foo" 1 false
-- Similarly, because functions are curried,
-- when we apply just one argument, we get back a function
-- that takes the remaining arguments
basicFunction' :: String -> Boolean -> String
basicFunction' = basicFunction 1
-- These same ideas apply to VTAs. Notice below that VTA support is only added
-- to the second and fourth type variable.
vtaFunction
  :: forall first @second third @fourth
   . first
  -> second
  -> third
  -> fourth
  -> String
vtaFunction _first _second _third _fourth = "returned value"
-- Type-level arguments (e.g. VTAs) are always applied before value-level
arguments.
-- Why? Because those arguments appear earlier in the function.
-- If we want to use VTAs to specify which types `second` and `fourth` are,
-- we must apply those type arguments BEFORE applying any value arguments. In
other words,
-- the below code is correct:
usage3 :: String
usage3 = vtaFunction @Int @Int "first" 2 "third" 4
-- whereas this code would be incorrect:
      usage3 :: String
      usage3 = vtaFunction "first" @Int 2 "third" @Int 4
-- Put differently, we can define a new function by only applying a single type
argument.
vtaFunction'
```

```
:: forall first third fourth
   . first
  -> Int
  -> third
  -> fourth
  -> String
vtaFunction' = vtaFunction @Int -- force `second` to be `Int`
-- Or by type-applying multiple arguments
vtaFunction''
  :: forall first third
   . first
  -> Int
  -> third
 -> Int
  -> String
vtaFunction'' = vtaFunction @Int @Int -- force `second` and `fourth` to be
`Int`
-- Note: the astute reader will have noticed that the `@` characters don't
-- `vtaFunction'` and `vtaFunction''`. Since this is opt-in syntax, one must
-- opt-in every time a new function is defined, even if that function
-- is derived from applying one argument to a multi-argument curried function.
```

### 03-Skipping-Wildcards.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.VisibleTypeApplications.SkippingWildcards where
-- Because order matters and because a single function may have
-- multiple VTA-supported type variables, we may sometimes run
-- into another problem.
multipleTypes
  :: forall @skip @specify @other1 @other2
  -> specify
  -> other1
  -> other2
  -> String
multipleTypes _skip _specify _other1 _other2 = "returned value"
-- Let's say we only want to use VTAs to specify the type for the
-- second VTA-supported type variable (i.e `specify` above)
-- without specifying the first one (e.g. `skip`).
-- We can only type-apply the second one after we have
-- type-applied the first. So, how can we achieve our goal?
-- Fortunately, PureScript uses the wildcard VTA syntax (i.e. `@_`)
-- to skip type variables, so that one can type-apply other ones.
onlySpecifyTypeApplied
  :: forall skip other1 other2
  . skip
  -> String
  -> other1
  -> other2
  -> String
onlySpecifyTypeApplied = multipleTypes @_ @String
-- Again, if we want the VTA-support to be added to the derived function
-- we need to opt-in to that syntax:
onlySpecifyTypeApplied'
  :: forall @skip @other1 @other2
  . skip
  -> String
  -> other1
  -> other2
  -> String
onlySpecifyTypeApplied' = multipleTypes @_ @String
```

# 04-Usage.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.VisibleTypeApplications.Usage where
-- When one opts-in to the VTA-supported type variables,
-- one does not need to use VTAs to call the function.
multiVtaFn :: forall @a @b @c. a -> b -> c -> String
multiVtaFn _a _b _c = "returned value"
-- Proof that we don't have to use VTAs for the function to still work.
-- The compiler will infer that `a`, `b`, and `c` have type `Int`.
usage_noVtas :: String
usage_noVtas = multiVtaFn 1 2 3
-- Proof that we can type-apply only as many types as we want.
usage_useVtas1 :: forall b c. Int -> b -> c -> String
usage_useVtas1 = multiVtaFn @Int
usage_useVtas2 :: forall a c. a -> Int -> c -> String
usage_useVtas2 = multiVtaFn @_ @Int
usage_useVtas2b :: forall a c. a -> Int -> c -> String
usage_useVtas2b = multiVtaFn @_ @Int @_ -- The second @_ is pointless but
unharmful.
usage_useVtas3 :: forall a b. a -> b -> Int -> String
usage_useVtas3 = multiVtaFn @_ @_ @Int
-- Proof that we can apply the third type argument and apply the first value
argument
-- to get a derived function.
usage_mixed :: forall b. b -> Int -> String
usage_mixed = multiVtaFn @_ @_ @Int "a"
-- Here's a more interesting usage of VTAs. Once a type variable is brought
into scope,
-- whether through a normal type variable (e.g. `forall a.`)
-- or VTA-supported type variable (e.g. `forall @a.`),
-- we can apply that type variable as a type argument to functions that support
VTAs.
-- In the below example, `returnFoo`'s `x` is being specified to whatever `a`
and `b` are.`
outerFunction :: forall a b. a -> b -> String
outerFunction aVal bVal = returnSecond (returnFoo @a aVal) (returnFoo @b bVal)
  returnFoo :: forall @x. x -> String
  returnFoo _x = "foo"
  returnSecond :: forall first second. first -> second -> first
  returnSecond first _ = first
```

# **05-TypeClasses.purs**

```
module Syntax.Basic.VisibleTypeApplications.TypeClasses where
-- When it comes to functions, VTA-support is opt-in.
-- But for type classes, VTAs are always supported for the
-- type variables in the class head.
class MyClass typeVariableInClassHead where
  toString :: typeVariableInClassHead -> String
instance MyClass String where
  toString x = x
instance MyClass Int where
  toString _ = "foo"
-- The type of `toString` is `forall @a. MyClass a => a -> String`.
-- So, we can choose which instance to use by using VTAs
stringExample1 = toString @String "foo"
intExample1 = toString @Int 1
-- Again, the type signature of `multi` here is
-- `multi :: forall @a @b @c. Multi a b c => a -> b -> c -> String`
class Multi a b c where
  multi :: a -> b -> c -> String
instance Multi Int Int String where
  multi _ _ = "string"
instance Multi Int Int Int where
  multi _ _ = "int"
-- So, using it here looks like
stringExample2 = multi @Int @Int @String 1 2 "3"
intExample2 = multi @Int @Int @Int 1 2 3
-- Before PureScript 0.15.13, the following type class was invalid.
class UniqueValue a where
  uniqueValue :: String
-- The compiler uses the arguments passed to a type class member
-- (e.g. `uniqueValue`) to determine which types specify the
-- type variables in the type class head. But because the
-- type variable in the class head (i.e. `a`) never appears in the
-- type signature of `uniqueValue`, there was no way for the compiler
-- to figure out which instance should be used. So, it would fail
-- with a compiler error. Thus, the compiler prevented one
-- from even writing such a class.
-- Now that we have VTAs, this class is only valid because the compiler
-- assumes one will use VTAs to select the instance.
```

```
-- The full type signature of `uniqueValue` is now
      `uniqueValue :: forall @a. UniqueValue a => String`
instance UniqueValue Int where
  uniqueValue = "Int"
instance UniqueValue String where
  uniqueValue = "String"
stringExample3 :: String
stringExample3 = uniqueValue @String
intExample3 :: String
intExample3 = uniqueValue @Int
-- VTAs are useful because they allow us to specify which type class
-- instance to use in a concise way. This is more apparent when
-- we use type classes to derive functions from their members.
-- Moreover, now that VTAs are supported, `Proxy` arguments
-- are no longer needed. `Proxy` arguments are covered in
-- more detail in the type-level programming syntax folder.
```

# 11-Gotchas.purs

```
module Syntax.Basic.VisibleTypeApplications.Gotchas where
-- Gotcha #1: Different orders between definition and usage
-- One can define two VTA-supported type variables but use the second one in
the
-- type signature before the first one.
possibleGotcha
  :: forall @definedFirstUsedSecond @definedSecondUsedFirst
   . definedSecondUsedFirst
  -> definedFirstUsedSecond
possibleGotcha _firstArg _secondArg = 2
-- Type-applying `String` here affects the type of the second argument to this
function,
-- not the first, because that's where `definedFirstUsedSecond` is used.
unexpectedFunction :: forall firstArg. firstArg -> String -> Int
unexpectedFunction = possibleGotcha @String
-- Gotcha #2: forgetting to opt-in to VTA support when deriving a function
mainFunction :: forall @a @b. a -> b -> Int
mainFunction _a _b = 1
-- Unless we specify `forall @b` here, the type signature will be `forall b`
derivedFunction :: forall b. Int -> b -> Int
derivedFunction = mainFunction @Int
```

# 21-Documentation.purs

```
-- | This is a single-line documentation.
-- | This
-- | is
-- | multi-line
-- | documentation block, not a comment.
-- | Because it appears above the module declaration below,
-- | it will be combined with the next few documentation blocks.
-- | One can use markdown inside of documentation:
-- | Look an unordered list:
-- | - item 1
-- | - item 2
-- | An ordered list:
-- | 1. Item
-- | 2. Item
-- | 3. Item
-- | Unfortunately, markdown tables don't work...:
-- | | a | b | c
-- | # Headers level 1 work
--
-- | ## Headers level 2 work
-- | ### Headers level 3 work
--
-- | #### Headers level 4 work
-- | ##### Headers level 5 work
-- | ##### Headers level 6 work
-- | Some code:
-- | ```purescript
-- | f :: Int
-- | f = 4
-- | Documentation on a given module
module Syntax.Basic.Documentation where
-- | Documentation on a value
value :: Int
value = 4
```

```
-- | Documentation on a function
function :: Int -> String
function _ = "easy"
-- | Documentation on a given data type
data SomeData
 -- | Documentation on a particular data constructor
-- | Documentation on a given type alias
type MyType = String
-- | Documentation on a given newtype
newtype SmallInt = SmallInt Int
-- | Documentation on a given type class
class MyClass a b | a -> b where
  -- | Documentation for a particular function/value
 -- | defined in a type class
 myFunction :: a -> b
-- | Documentation for a particular instance of a type class
instance MyClass String Int where
 myFunction _ = 4
```

# 22-Unicode-Syntax-Support.purs

module Syntax.Basic.Unicode where

```
-- Unicode sytax is supported
-- Original credit: @paf31
-- Link: https://github.com/paf31/24-days-of-purescript-2016/blob/
master/2.markdown
-- Changes made:
-- - copied type signature that use unicode syntax except for union/intersect
-- - copied links showing unicode syntax in real libraries

    -- added library showing emoji operators in real library

-- - added forall / ∀ comparison
-- Licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 3.0
Unported License.
     https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/3.0/deed.en_US
data N = Zero | Succ N
add :: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}
add _ _ = Zero
ε:: Number
\varepsilon = 0.001
Using unicode syntax, instead of using a combination of characters,
one could use a single character to save space:
| Instead of... | -> | <- | => | <= | :: | forall |
|-----+
| you can use... | \rightarrow | \leftarrow | \Rightarrow | \leftarrow | 
Using Unicode syntax can make things unreadable, but sometimes it makes things
more readable:
- https://github.com/paf31/purescript-isomorphisms/blob/
fla9e59f831cc3150dd9bc7aa66b2661df250ebe/src/Data/Iso.purs#L22
- https://github.com/paf31/purescript-pairing/
blob/837638470c58df3971fe2e56395d65f391c9ba00/src/Data/Functor/Pairing.purs#L43
Yes, this does enable emoiji operators. See this library for an example of
why you might and might not want to use that syntax:
- https://pursuit.purescript.org/packages/purescript-prelewd/0.1.0
-}
```

#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

# **Understanding Type Inference**

The below video explains how type inference works. It can be very helpful to understand what is going on behind the scenes when you get compiler errors: How GHC's Type Inference Engine Works

# Foreign Function Interface (FFI) Syntax

### Alternate Backends

Besides compiling to Javascript, Purescript can also compile to other languages. See this link for a full list (may be outdated)

### **Syntax**

This folder provides examples of FFI for simple cases regarding the JavaScript backend. However, see Wrapping JavaScript for PureScript for more detailed examples as to how to do FFI properly.

You should also look at the Purescript and Javascript source code for Effect. Uncurried:

- Purescript
- Javascript

Lastly, there may be some cases where you need to write FFI with Effect, but Effect isn't the best type to use. In such cases, take a look at Aff's FFI:

### Using PureScript code within a JavaScript context

Imagine you defined a function in PureScript like gcd2 below that you wish to use in JavaScript code. What's a good practice to follow when calling that PureScript code from JavaScript?

```
$ cat src/GCD.purs
module GCD where

import Prelude

gcd2 :: Int -> Int -> Int
gcd2 n m | n == 0 = m
gcd2 n m | m == 0 = n
gcd2 n m | n > m = gcd (n - m) m
gcd2 n m = gcd (m - n) n
```

A good practice is to define a separate Interop module that looks like this:

```
module GCD.Interop where
import Prelude
import GCD as GCD
import Data.Function.Uncurried (mkFn2)
gcd2 :: Fn2 Int Int Int
gcd2 = mkFn2 GCD.gcd2
```

The above code will get compiled to ./output/GCD.Interop/index.js. So, in a JavaScript file, I would do the following:

```
import { gcd2 } from "./output/GCD.Interop/index.js";
gcd2(4, 5);
```

Defining an Interop module comes with two benefits that occur if gcd2 needs to do some breaking change (e.g. changing its number/order/type of args and return value):

- If we have an Interop module, JavaScript consumers of the module don't have to account for breakage. Rather, the Interop version can change how this breakage propagates to the JavaScript consumer. In many cases, such breakage can be hidden entirely.
- If we have an Interop module, the Interop module will produce a compiler error. This will remind us of every place where the Interop code is used by JavaScript and force us to verify that the JavaScript usage of the PureScript code is still correct.

# 01-Same-File-Name.js

```
export const basicValue = 4.0;
export function basicEffect() {
  return 4.0;
}
export function basicCurriedFunction(number) {
  return number * 4.0;
export function threeArgCurriedFunction(arg1) {
  return function(arg2) {
    return function(arg3) {
      // body of function
      return arg1 * arg2 * arg3;
    };
  };
export function curriedFunctionProducingEffect(string) {
  return function() {
    return string;
  };
}
export function threeArgUncurriedFunction(a, b, c) {
  return a + b + c;
export function twoArgUncurriedEffectfulFunction(a, b) {
  return a + b + ((Math.random() * 10) | 0);
var twoArgFunction = function(arg1, arg2) {
  console.log(arg1 + " " + arg2);
};
export {twoArgFunction as twoArgCurriedFunctionImpl};
```

## 01-Same-File-Name.purs

```
module Syntax.FFI.Simple where
import Prelude
import Data.Function.Uncurried (Fn3)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Uncurried (EffectFn2, runEffectFn2)
foreign import data DataType :: Type
foreign import data HigherKindedType :: Type -> Type
foreign import basicValue :: Number
foreign import basicEffect :: Effect Number
foreign import basicCurriedFunction :: Number -> Number
foreign import threeArgCurriedFunction :: Number -> Number -> Number -> Number
foreign import curriedFunctionProducingEffect :: String -> Effect String
foreign import threeArgUncurriedFunction :: Fn3 Int Int Int
foreign import twoArgUncurriedEffectfulFunction :: EffectFn2 Number Number
Number
foreign import twoArgCurriedFunctionImpl :: EffectFn2 String String Unit
twoArgFunction :: String -> String -> Effect Unit
twoArgFunction = runEffectFn2 twoArgCurriedFunctionImpl
```

# 02-Other-Bindings.js

```
// We'll use this binding in the next example
export function otherBindingFunction(arg) {
  console.log(`What is arg? It's ${arg}`);
  return 1;
}
```

# 03-Bindings-Tip.js

```
/*
When you are writing bindings to JavaScript,
the compiler will not pick up changes you make
to your FFI files unless it rebuilds the entire codebase.
So, it can be helpful to define your actual bindings
in one file and import and re-export them in this file
so that they are usable in PureScript.

Then, you can compile your code once and as long
as the arg number and types in PS don't change,
you can iterate on the FFI implementation
without having to recompile your code.
*/
export { otherBindings } from "../bindings/index.js";
```

# 03-Bindings-Tip.purs

```
module Syntax.FFI.BindingsTip where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Uncurried (EffectFn2, runEffectFn2)
foreign import otherBindings :: forall a. a -> Int
```

# **Type-Level Programming Syntax**

Read the files in order. It may take a few read-throughs for it to make sense as to why some things are needed but it will make sense eventually.

Note: there is an annoyance that can occur if you play around with the code: due to using the same names for some things, the IDE may try to import these names from other modules. If it does so, it may result it some definition being declared twice in the same file and produce a compiler error. If you experience such a problem, check the top of the file and delete any imports there.

### **Other Learning Sources**

Consider purchasing Thinking with Types, a book that claims to be "the comprehensive manual for type-level programming". Abhinav Sarkar also made his notes public

# **An Overview of Terms and Concepts**

## Comparison

In programming, there are usually two terms we use to describe "when" a problem/bug/error can occur:

- Compile-time: Turns source code into machine code. Compiler errors occur due to types not aligning.
- Runtime: Executes machine code. Runtime errors occur due to values of types not working as expected/verified by the compiler (e.g. you expected a String at runtime but got null).

### **Definition**

Term	Definition	"Runtime"
Value-Level Programming	Writing source code that gets executed during runtime	Node / Browser
Type-Level Programming	Writing source code that gets executed during compile-time	Type Checker / Type Class Constraint Solver^

<sup>^</sup> First heard of this from @natefaubion in the PureScript chatroom.

### What Are Types and Functions?

### **Types Reexamined**

When we define a type like so...

... we are saying there is a set or domain called MyType that has two members, Value1 and Value2. Thus, when we write...

```
value1 :: MyType
value1 = Value1
```

... we could also write it with more type information:

```
value1 :: MyType
value1 = (Value1 :: MyType)
```

The syntax (Value1:: MyType) means Value1 is a value of the MyType type (or Value1 is a member of the MyType set/domain)

#### **Functions Reexamined**

Functions can be either pure or impure. Pure functions have 3 properties, but the third (marked with  $\star$ ) is expanded to show its full weight:

	Pure	Pure Example	Impure	lı
Given an input, will it always return some output?	Always (Total Functions)	n + m	Sometimes (Partial Functions)	4 un
Given the same input, will it always return the same output?	Always (Deterministic Functions)	1 + 1 always equals 2	Sometimes (Non- Deterministic Functions)	ra
*Does it interact with the real world?	Never		Sometimes	fi
*Does it acces or modify	Never	<pre>newList = oldList.removeElemAt(0) Original list is copied but</pre>	Sometimes	x+ va inc

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	Pure	Pure Example	Impure	lı
program state		never modified		on
*Does it throw exceptions?	Never		Sometimes	fu th Ex )

Pure functions can better be explained as mapping some input to some output. The simplest example is pattern matching:

```
data Fruit = Apple | Orange
stringify :: Fruit -> String
stringify Apple = "Apple"
stringify Orange = "Orange"
```

The function, stringify, doesn't "do" anything: it doesn't modify its arguments, nor does it really "use" its arguments in some manner. Rather, it merely defines what to output when given some input.

In this way, functions merely specify how to map values of some type (e.g. Fruit) to values of another type (e.g. String). This idea is the heart of Category Theory. Thus, types and functions go hand-in-hand.

### **Kinds Redefined**

Previously, we said:

Kinds = "How many more types do I need defined before I have a 'concrete' type?"

And using the table from earlier...

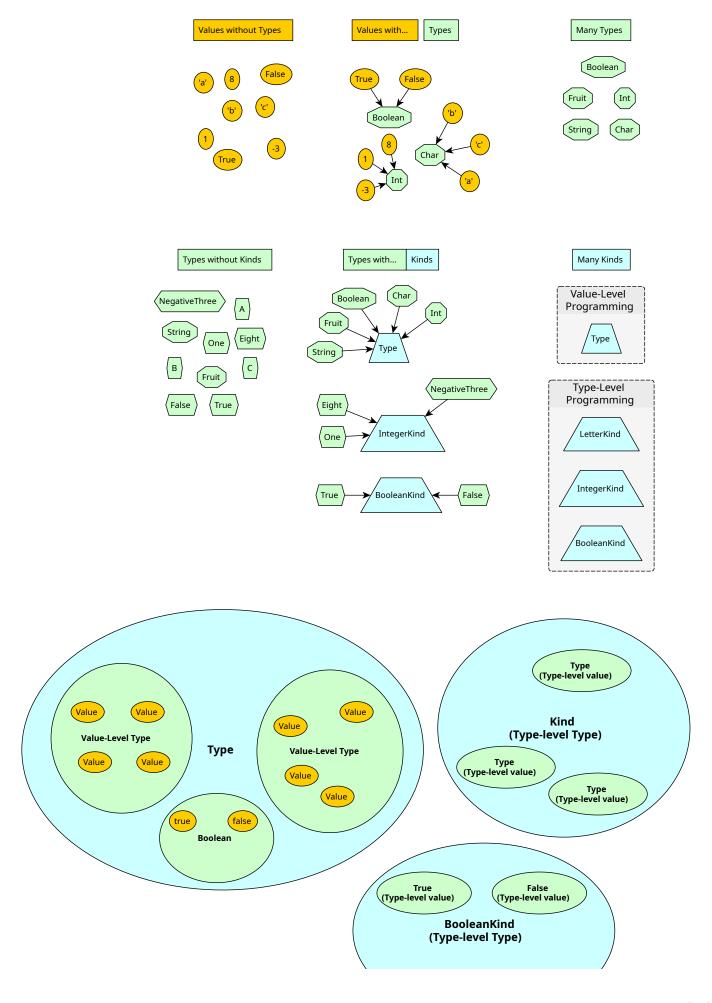
Example	Kind	Meaning
String	Туре	Concrete value
Int	Туре	Concrete value
Вох а	Type -> Type	Higher-Kinded Type (by 1) One type needs to be defined before the type

Example	Kind	Meaning
		can be instantiated
(a -> b) Function a b	Type -> Type -> Type	Higher-Kinded Type (by 2) Two types need to be defined before the type can be instantiated

This definition sufficed when we were learning only value-level programming. In reality, it's more like this:

Name	Meaning	
Kind	A "Type" for type-level programming	
Type	The "kind" (i.e. type-level type) that indicates a value-level type for value-level programming	

Sometimes, pictures say a lot more than words:



We can now modify the definition to account for this new understanding:

Kinds = "How many more type-level types do I need defined before I have a 'concrete' type-level type? Also, the kind, Type, is a type-level type whose 'values'/'members' are value-level types.

### **Summary of Inferred Kinds**

Returning to a table we showed previously, we'll add the header that we removed (all caps) when we first displayed the table and include Record / Row.

TYPE-LEVEL EXPRESSION	Inferred kind
Unit	Туре
Array Boolean	Туре
Array	Type -> Type
Either Int String	Туре
Either Int	Type -> Type
Either	Type -> Type -> Type
Record (foo :: Int)	Туре
Record	Row Type -> Type
(foo :: Int)	Row Type

## **Type-Level Programming Flow**

Type-Level programming has 2-3 stages:

- Creation
  - o Define a type-level value by declaring a literal one
  - Reification convert a value-level (i.e. runtime value) value into a type-level value via a Proxy type

- (optional) Modify that value during compile-time
- Terminal
  - o Constrain types, so that an impossible state/code fails with a compiler error
  - **Reflection** convert a type-level value stored in the Proxy type into a value-level value

## **Related Papers**

• Fun with Functional Dependencies

# 01-Defining-Custom-Kinds.purs

module Syntax. TypeLevel. Defining Custom Kinds where

```
-- To change the value-level type into a type-level type:
data Value_Level_Type
 = Value_Level_Value1
  | Value_Level_Value2
______
-- We first define a data type that does not have any data constructors.
-- This indicates that `Type_Level_Type` is a kind we created.
data Type_Level_Type
-- Then, we use FFI-like syntax to declare the type-level values that kind
-- has. We do not declare a right hand side (RHS) since it has no values
                      |----- RHS -----|
       data SomeType = Value1 | Value2
-- Rather, we indicate that the type is a member of that kind using
-- the following syntax:
foreign import data Type_Level_Value1 :: Type_Level_Type
foreign import data Type_Level_Value2 :: Type_Level_Type
-- Note: there is no corresponding javascript file for this one
-- despite the "foreign import" syntax!
-- Using a Boolean-like value-level type as an example...
data YesNo = Yes | No
data YesNoKind
foreign import data YesK :: YesNoKind
foreign import data NoK :: YesNoKind
```

# 02-Kind-Signatures.purs

```
module Syntax. TypeLevel. KindSignatures where
-- We showed previously that `data`, `type`, `newtype`, and `class`
declarations
-- can all have explicit kind signatures. In previous situations,
-- kind signatures only used the kind, `Type`. Now that we know how to
-- define our own custom kind, let's use it below.
data A_Kind_I_Created
foreign import data Only_Value_For_My_Kind :: A_Kind_I_Created
data DataExample :: A_Kind_I_Created -> Type
data DataExample a_kind_I_created_type_level_value = DataExample
-- This will succesfully compile because `Only_Value_For_My_Kind` has
-- kind, `A_Kind_I_Created`, which matches the one expected in the
-- declaration for `DataExample`.
compileStatus_success :: DataExample Only_Value_For_My_Kind
compileStatus_success = DataExample
-- This will fail to compile because `String` has
-- kind, `Type`, not kind, `A_Kind_I_Created`.
-- compileStatus_fail :: DataExample String
-- compileStatus_fail = DataExample
type TypeExample :: A_Kind_I_Created -> Type
type TypeExample a_kind_I_created_type_level_value = Int
newtype NewtypeExample :: A_Kind_I_Created -> Type
newtype NewtypeExample a_kind_I_created_type_level_value = NewtypeExample Int
-- Similarly, a type class can use kinds other than `Type`. This type class
-- does not have any functions/values:
class TypeClassExample :: A_Kind_I_Created -> Constraint
class TypeClassExample a_kind_I_created_type_level_value
```

## 03-Polymorphic-Kinds.purs

```
module Syntax. TypeLevel. PolymorphicKinds where
-- In the previous file, the following would not compile because `String` has
-- a kind that is different than the one expected by `MyData` below:
data MyKind
foreign import data OnlyValueForMyKind :: MyKind
data MyData :: MyKind -> Type
data MyData typeThatHasKind_'myKind' = MyData
-- Fails to Compile:
-- compileStatus_fail :: MyData String
-- compileStatus_fail = MyData
-- What if we wanted `MyData` to work "for all" kinds: `Type`, `MyKind`, or
-- one written by someone else? We would use "forall" syntax. This syntax
-- should look similar to how we would write it for a value-level function:
valueLevelFunction :: forall a. a -> a
valueLevelFunction valueOfType_a = valueOfType_a
-- Note: `kind` is often abbreviated as `k` to indicate kind.
data MyDataPolyKind :: forall kind. kind -> Type
data MyDataPolyKind typeThatHasAGivenKind = MyDataPolyKind
compilesSuccessfully1 :: MyDataPolyKind String -- kind is Type
compilesSuccessfully1 = MyDataPolyKind
compilesSuccessfully2 :: MyDataPolyKind OnlyValueForMyKind -- kind is MyKind
compilesSuccessfully2 = MyDataPolyKind
```

# 04-Proxy.purs

```
module Syntax.TypeLevel.Proxy where
-- When we write programs, arguments and definitions are at the value-level.
-- Since the values of type-level types (i.e. kinds) are types themselves,
-- how do we pass type-level values around in our program when the program
-- is written at the value level?
-- For type-level values, we use a simple type that "stores" the type-level
-- value as a phantom type (see `Design Patterns/Phantom Types.md`).
-- By making that phantom type polymorphic on kinds (i.e polykinded),
-- one type will work for all kinds:
data Proxy :: forall kind. kind -> Type
data Proxy k = Proxy
-- Given that we have the following two custom kinds...
-- data Kind 1
  = Kind_1_Value_1
-- = Kind_1_Value_2
data Kind_1
foreign import data Kind_1_Value_1 :: Kind_1
foreign import data Kind_1_Value_2 :: Kind_1
data Kind_2
foreign import data Kind_2_Value :: Kind_2
-- ... we can define a value that stores the type-level value via `Proxy` ...
kind1Value1 :: Proxy Kind_1_Value_1
kind1Value1 = Proxy
kind2Value :: Proxy Kind_2_Value
kind2Value = Proxy
-- ... and pass around the type-level values by passing around the Proxy value
-- and annotating the type signature with the type-level value.
-- This function only works on the first `Kind_1_Value`.
kind1_to_kind2_specific :: Proxy Kind_1_Value_1 -> Proxy Kind_2_Value
kind1_to_kind2_specific _ {- Proxy, which can be ignored -} =
  Proxy -- Proxy whose type is different than first Proxy type
-- This function only works on all possible `Kind_1_Value`s.
kind1_to_kind2_generic
  :: forall (kind1Values :: Kind_1) (kind2Values :: Kind_2)
   . Proxy kind1Values
  -> Proxy kind2Values
kind1_to_kind2_generic _ {- Proxy, which can be ignored -} =
  Proxy -- Proxy whose type is different than first Proxy type
-- The above definition will make more sense in the future.
```

# **Defining Functions**

### Solve for X

Normally, when we define a function for value-level programming, it looks like this:

```
function :: InputType -> OutputType
function InputValue = OutputValue
```

In other words, when given InputValue, return OutputValue. The direction of this "relationship" is ALWAYS in one direction: to the right (i.e. -> ).

When we define a function for type-level programming, we're not defining a function that takes some input and returns an output. Rather, we are defining a "relationship" between some input(s) and some output(s). In other words, these "relationships" can be applied in multiple directions to create multiple functions. One could say that type-level functions work in **multiple directions**. To put it another way...:

- function InputValue OutputS OutputValue
- function OutputValue OutputS InputValue

Let's give a much clearer example by solving an equation:

```
total = x + y
```

Right now, the equation is making us solve for total. However, with some simple rearranging, we can make it solve for  $\times$ 

```
total = x + y
total - y = x + y - y
total - y = x
x = total - y
```

We can also make it solve for y:

```
total = x + y
total - x = x - x + y
total - x = y
y = total - x
```

Thus, we can take this "relationship"/equation and figure out one entity if we know the other two entities. Putting it into programming terms, if we have one relationship/equation (like that above), we can define three functions:

```
1. f1 :: X -> Y -> Total
2. f2 :: X -> Total -> Y
3. f3 :: Y -> Total -> X
```

This is the same idea used in type-level programming. So, how does this actually work in Purescript? Multi-parameter type classes and functional dependencies.

The Relationship/ Equation	The Number of Functions & its type signature	The implementation of a function
a multi-parameter type class	functional dependencies (the exact number depends)	type class instances

For example, assuming we had 1) a type-level number called <code>Intk</code>, 2) its value-level Proxy type, <code>IProxy</code>, and 3) instances for the below type class, we could write an <code>add</code> and two <code>subtract</code> functions using just one relationship:

```
-- the relationship itself
class AddOrSubtract :: IntK -> IntK -> IntK -> Constraint
class AddOrSubtract x y total
  -- the normal "add" function: "total = x + y"
  | x y -> total

-- the first 'subtract' function: "y = total - x"
  , x total -> y
  -- the second 'subtract' function: "x = total - y"
  , y total -> x
```

Then, we could use this one relationship as three different functions:

```
-- given two IntK values, I can add them together by returning
-- `total`, which is "calculated" via the type class `AddOrSubtract`
addTwoIntK :: forall x y total
           . AddOrSubtract x y total
          => IProxy x -> IProxy y -> IProxy total
addTwoIntK _ _ = IProxyValue
-- given two IntK values, I can subtract one from another by
-- returning `x`/`y`, which is "calculated"
-- via the type class `AddOrSubtract`
subtractIntK_1 :: forall x y total
                . AddOrSubtract x y total
               => IProxy x -> IProxy total -> IProxy y
subtractIntK_1 _ _ = IProxyValue
subtractIntK_2 :: forall x y total

    AddOrSubtract x y total

               => IProxy y -> IProxy total -> IProxy x
subtractIntK_2 _ _ = IProxyValue
```

### Unification

### An Overview and How Type-Level Functions "Compute"

Recall that the type checker / type constraint solver "computes" type-level expressions by figuring out what type something is. Thus, the above analogy is helpful for understanding type-level programming, but it is incomplete without an explanation on how types "unify". In short, **unification** is the way by which the compiler infers or figures out some type. For our context, it is how the type checker computes the "type-level output" of a type-level function. It does this by unifying the undefined types in a type class' definition with a concrete type's instance of that type class.

Let's review something first. In a type class definition and its instance, we have terms to refer to specific parts of it:

1. Instance Context

#### 2. Instance Head

The "Instance Context" and "Instance Head" terms are crucial to understanding the unification rules below.

Unification is how logic programming works. A popular language which uses logic programming to compute is Prolog, which has a nice explanation on unification. (Curious readers can see the bottom of the file for links about Prolog). To see the rules for how this works in general, I've adapted the Prolog unification rules defined by Blackburn et al. below:

- 1. Two concrete terms unify. A "term" for this explanation is either a Type or a Kind:
  - Type
    - String unifies with String
    - String does not unify with Int
  - Kind
    - kind BooleanK unifies with kind BooleanK
    - kind Booleank does not unify with kind Intk
  - o a Kind term only unifies with other Kind terms, not Type terms.
  - a Type term only unifies with other Type terms, not Kind terms.
- 2. A concrete term and a polymorphic/generic term (i.e. term variable) unify and the term variable is assigned to a concrete term:
  - Similar to how a variable can be assigned a value, let a = 5, so one assigns a term to a term variable: a = Int (type variable assigned to a concrete type) or a = Intκ (kind variable assigned to a concrete kind). By this analogy, every time one sees an a type/kind in a type/kind signature, they can replace it with Int/Intκ.
- 3. Two term variables unify and their relationship is saved
  - Ignoring the forall . syntax, given f:: Add a b c => Add c d e => a -> b
     -> d -> e, the c type/kind in both Add constraints are unified and their relationship is "saved". As soon as one of them is assigned to a concrete term, the other will be assigned that term, too.
- 4. Complex "term chains" (e.g. a type class and a concrete type's instance of that type class) unify if and only if all of their corresponding arguments unify:
  - the number of parameter terms in the type class is the same number of terms in the instance
    - class MyClass first second
    - instance MyClass String Int
  - instance types unify with the class' constraints
    - class (SuperClass constrained) <= ThisClass constrained</pre>
    - instance SuperClass String
    - instance ThisClass String

- types in the instance context unify with their corresponding class
  - instance OtherConstraint a
  - instance (OtherConstraint a) => FastClass a
- the type of terms in the type class unify only with their corresponding term type in the instance:
  - The type class' Kind terms are made to unify only with other Kind terms, not
     Type terms, in the instance
  - The type class' Type terms are made to unify only with other Type terms, not Kind terms, in the instance.
- a term variable is only assigned once and is not assigned to two different concrete term during the unification process

A type-level function can only "compute" a type-level expression when the types unify. This will fail in a few situations (this list may not be exhaustive):

- infinite unification: to unify some term, a, one must unify some term, b, which can only be unified if a is unified. After making X many recursive steps, the type inferencer will eventually give up and throw an error. This is a hard-coded number in the Purescript compiler.
- situations where the type inferencer cannot infer the correct type/kind
- situations where one needs to do "backtracking".

### **Backtracking Is Not (Currently) Supported**

Here is an example of "backtracking". It will make more sense after you have read through the Pattern-Matching-Using-Instance-Chains.purs file.

```
class MyClass a
  someValue :: Boolean

instance (SomeConstraint a) => MyClass a where
  someValue = true
else instance MyClass a where
  someValue = false
```

Here's the steps the compiler walks through:

- 1. Find the first instance for MyClass ('firstInstance')
- 2. Commit to that instance and check whether the a type fulfills the SomeConstraint type class, too.
- 3. The a type does not satisfy that type class constraint.
- 4. The type checker fails.

The issue lies in step 2: the instance head is checked before the instance context. Once the type inferer commits to some instance, it cannot 'backtrack' to the starting position after realizing that its current instance fails. Ideally, the type inferer would jump back to step 2 and realize that there is another instance ('secondInstance') that always works for any a type (since there is no constraint).

"Backtracking" could be implemented in the compiler by using instance guards, but this has not yet been done. For the current progress on this issue, see the related Purescript issue.

### **More Resources for Understanding Unification**

To understand unification at a deeper level, see these links:

- Type Inference from Scratch. This video explains the ideas behind the notation used in the paper below.
- Introduction to Type Inference. This video will explain a few more pieces of the notation used in the paper below as well as the problems that arise in type inference. Unfortunately, the teacher goes through concepts quickly and runs out of time, so not everything is immediately understandable through the first viewing.
- Phil's overview of the Purescript Type's System, where he shows how the compiler unifies types using the same notation above.
- The original paper describing instance chains.

### **Functional Dependencies Reexamined**

At times, it can be difficult for the type checker to infer what a given type is. Thus, one uses functional dependencies (FDs) to help the compiler. As a reminder, FDs inform the compiler how to infer what some types are given that it knows other types:

```
class Add :: IntK -> IntK -> IntK -> Constraint
class Add x y total
    | x y -> total
    , y total -> x
    , x total -> y
```

However, sometimes the functional dependencies get a bit more complicated because there are two types on the right-hand side of the arrow. This is where our analogy of a "FDs are type-level functions" starts to break down since a value-level function can only return one value at a time. (Granted, one can use a Tuple or Record to return multiple values in a

container, but the principle still applies.) With our "relationships", a single FD can sometimes define multiple type-level functions depending on how we use them.

For example, look at the second FD of Prim.Row.Cons:

The first FD can be read as

If you give me a label, its type-level value, and a pre-existing row (i.e. tail), then I can append that "label and type-level value" association to the tail and give you back the result of the append (i.e. row)."

The second FD can be read as

If you provide me a row and the name of a label in that row, then I can give you either

- 1. that label's type
- 2. a row that excludes that label-value association (i.e. the tail)", or
- 3. both

Let's demonstrate a few different examples via the REPL. This will be covered in more detail in this folder:

- 1. Run spago repl
- 2. Import the Prim. Row module via import Prim. Row
- 3. Use the :paste followed by CTRL+D to paste the multi-line verify\* functions below into the REPL.
- 4. Pass the corresponding arguments into the function to verify that it compiles.

```
-- spago repl
-- import Prim.Row
-- :paste
verifyAddingRowToTailCompiles
  :: forall tail finalRow
   . Cons "first" String tail finalRow
  => Record tail -> Record finalRow -> String
verifyAddingRowToTailCompiles _ _ =
  "If you see this message rather than an error, the relationship is true."
-- CTRL+D
-- Run the below function
verifyAddingRowToTailCompiles {apple: "haha"} {apple: "haha", first: "text" }
-- Great! Let's now switch the `tail` and `finalRow` types
-- in the `Cons` relationship.
-- :paste
verifyRemovingRowFromTailCompiles
  :: forall tail finalRow
   . Cons "first" String finalRow tail
  => Record tail -> Record finalRow -> String
verifyRemovingRowFromTailCompiles _ _ =
  "If you see this message rather than an error, the relationship is true."
-- CTRL+D
-- Run the below function
verifyRemovingRowFromTailCompiles {apple: "haha", first: "text" } {apple:
"haha"}
```

### **Prolog Links**

Learning Prolog is not necessary to understand how to do type-level programming. However, one may want to learn more about it to understand the idea of unification better. If so, these links helped me understand Prolog:

- the "Learn Prolog Now" book, chapter 1 2
- the "Learn X in Y minutes where X = Prolog"
- this Intro to Prolog

### **Works Cited**

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### 01-Single-Arg-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax.TypeLevel.Functions.SingleArgSyntax where
-- Given the following value-level and type-level types/values...
data InputType = InputValue
data OutputType = OutputValue
data InputKind
foreign import data InputValueK :: InputKind
data OutputKind
foreign import data OutputValueK :: OutputKind
-- ... a value-level function...
-- function's type signature
function :: InputType -> OutputType
-- function's implementation
function InputValue = OutputValue
-- ... can be converted to a type-level function using
-- - type classes
-- - functional dependencies
-- the relationship
class TypeLevelFunction :: InputKind -> OutputKind -> Constraint
class TypeLevelFunction input output
  -- one function's type signature
  | input -> output
  -- another function's type signature
  , output -> input
-- the implementation for both functions (since this is a simple example)
instance TypeLevelFunction InputValueK OutputValueK
```

### 02-Multi-Arg-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax.TypeLevel.Functions.MultiArgSyntax where
-- Given the following value-level and type-level types/values...
data InputType1 = InputValue1
data InputType2 = InputValue2
data OutputType = OutputValue
data InputKind1
foreign import data InputValueK1 :: InputKind1
data InputKind2
foreign import data InputValueK2 :: InputKind2
data OutputKind
foreign import data OutputValueK :: OutputKind
-- ... a value-level function...
-- function's type signature
function :: InputType1 -> InputType2 -> OutputType
-- function's implementation
function InputValue1 InputValue2 = OutputValue
-- ... converts to
-- The relationship
class TypeLevelFunction :: InputKind1 -> InputKind2 -> OutputKind -> Constraint
class TypeLevelFunction input1 input2 output
  -- the functions' type signatures
  | input1 input2 -> output
  , input1 output -> input2
  , input2 output -> input1
-- functions sole implementation
instance implementation ::
  TypeLevelFunction InputValueK1 InputValueK2 OutputValueK
```

# 03-Pattern-Matching-Using-Instances.purs

```
module Syntax. TypeLevel. Functions. PatternMatching. InstancesOnly where
-- To handle more pattern matching, we add more values of the type class
-- This...
data InputType2
 = InputValue1
  InputValue2
  InputValue3
data OutputType2
 = OutputValue1
  | OutputValue2
  | OutputValue3
function2 :: InputType2 -> OutputType2
function2 InputValue1 = OutputValue1 -- first pattern match
function2 InputValue2 = OutputValue2 -- second pattern match
function2 InputValue3 = OutputValue3 -- third pattern match
-- ... converts to...
data InputKind
foreign import data InputValue1 :: InputKind
foreign import data InputValue2 :: InputKind
foreign import data InputValue3 :: InputKind
data OutputKind
foreign import data OutputValue1 :: OutputKind
foreign import data OutputValue2 :: OutputKind
foreign import data OutputValue3 :: OutputKind
-- the relationship
class TypeLevelFunction :: InputKind -> OutputKind -> Constraint
class TypeLevelFunction input output
  -- the functions' type signatures
  | input -> output
  , output -> input
-- the implementations via pattern matching
instance firstPatternMatch :: TypeLevelFunction InputValue1 OutputValue1
instance TypeLevelFunction InputValue2 OutputValue2
instance thirdPatternMatch :: TypeLevelFunction InputValue3 OutputValue3
-- An example using YesNo and Zero/One
data YesNo = Yes | No
data ZeroOrOne = Zero | One
toInt :: YesNo -> ZeroOrOne
-- input = output
toInt Yes = One
```

```
toInt No = Zero
-- converts to

data YesNoKind
foreign import data YesK :: YesNoKind
foreign import data NoK :: YesNoKind

data ZeroOrOneKind
foreign import data OneK :: ZeroOrOneKind
foreign import data ZeroK :: ZeroOrOneKind

class ToInt :: YesNoKind -> ZeroOrOneKind -> Constraint
class ToInt input output | input -> output

instance ToInt YesK OneK
instance ToInt NoK ZeroK
```

# 04-Pattern-Matching-Using-Instance-Chains.purs

```
module Syntax. TypeLevel. Functions. PatternMatching. InstanceChains where
{-
So far, our type-level function's pattern matches use literal values.
Whenever we write...
   instance TL_Function InputValue1 OutputValue1
   instance TL_Function InputValue2 OutputValue2
... it's the equivalent of writing
   tl_Function :: Input -> Output
   tl_Function InputValue1 = OutputValue1
   tl_Function InputValue2 = OutputValue2
-}
-- Let's say we have the given value-level and type-level types/values:
data Fruit
  = Apple
  Orange
  Banana
  Blueberry
  Cherry
data ZeroOrOne = Zero | One
data FruitKind
foreign import data AppleK :: FruitKind
foreign import data OrangeK
foreign import data BananaK :: FruitKind
foreign import data BlueberryK :: FruitKind
foreign import data CherryK :: FruitKind
data ZeroOrOneKind
foreign import data ZeroK :: ZeroOrOneKind
foreign import data OneK :: ZeroOrOneKind
-- To write pattern matches with a 'catch-all' underscore binding
fruitToInt :: Fruit -> ZeroOrOne
fruitToInt Apple
fruitToInt _ {- Orange .. Cherry -} = One
-- we can use a feature called "Type Class Instance Chains:"
class FruitToInt :: FruitKind -> ZeroOrOneKind -> Constraint
class FruitToInt a i
                                                                            {-
  | a -> i
  Notice that we have omitted this type signature because
  we don't know what to do when we know `i` but not `a`
```

```
, i -> a
                                                                           -}
instance FruitToInt AppleK ZeroK
else instance FruitToInt a OneK
{-
which is the same as writing...
  instance FruitToInt AppleK
                                 ZeroK
  instance FruitToInt OrangeK
                                 0neK
  instance FruitToInt BananaK
                                 0neK
  instance FruitToInt BlueBerryK OneK
  instance FruitToInt CherryK
                                  0neK
-}
{-
As of this writing, Purescript does not support all of the features
described in the paper below (i.e. backtracking), but it does work
for simpler use cases like above
Here's the related Purescript issue:
https://github.com/purescript/purescript/issues/2315
See the original paper here:
http://homepages.inf.ed.ac.uk/jmorri14/pubs/morris-icfp2010-instances.pdf
-}
```

# 01-Reflection.purs

```
module Syntax.TypeLevel.Reflection where
-- ignore this
import Prelude (class Show)
-- In PureScript 0.15.13, Visible Type Applications were fully supported.
-- Before that release, we had to use `Proxy` arguments.
-- Now, we can use VTAs in some contexts. This file will show both for clarity.
-- Reflection syntax

    Converting a type-level value into a value-level value

-- This code...
type Value_Level_Type = String -- for easier readability
data CustomType = TypeValue
reflectVL :: CustomType -> Value_Level_Type
reflectVL TypeValue = "value-level value"
-- ... converts to...
data CustomKind
foreign import data CustomKindValue :: CustomKind
-- PureScript <0.15.13 Approach: use Proxy arguments
data Proxy :: forall k. k -> Type
data Proxy kind = Proxy
-- "type-level value to value-level value"
class TLI_to_VLI :: CustomKind -> Constraint
class TLI_to_VLI customKind where
  reflectCustomKind :: Proxy customKind -> Value_Level_Type
instance TLI_to_VLI CustomKindValue where {-
  reflectCustomKind Proxy = "value-level value" -}
  reflectCustomKind _ = "value-level value"
-- PureScript >=0.15.13 Approach: use Visible Type Applications
-- "type-level value to value-level value"
class TLI_to_VLI_Vta :: CustomKind -> Constraint
class TLI_to_VLI_Vta customKind where
  reflectCustomKindVta :: Value_Level_Type
instance TLI_to_VLI_Vta CustomKindValue where
  reflectCustomKindVta = "value-level value"
```

```
-- An example using the Boolean-like data type YesNo:
data YesNo = Yes | No
data YesNoKind
foreign import data YesK :: YesNoKind
foreign import data NoK :: YesNoKind
-- PureScript <0.15.13 Approach: use Proxy arguments
{-
Read yesk and nok as:
  yesK = (YesNoProxyValue :: YesNoProxy Yes) - a value of type "YesNoProxy Yes"
  noK = (YesNoProxyValue :: YesNoProxy No) - a value of type "YesNoProxy No"
yesK :: Proxy YesK
yesK = Proxy
noK :: Proxy NoK
noK = Proxy
class IsYesNoKind :: YesNoKind -> Constraint
class IsYesNoKind a where
  reflectYesNo :: Proxy a -> YesNo
instance IsYesNoKind YesK where
-- reflectYesNo (Proxy :: Proxy Yes) = Yes
   reflectYesNo _
                                     = Yes
instance IsYesNoKind NoK where
-- reflectYesNo (Proxy :: Proxy No) = No
   reflectYesNo _
-- We can also use instance chains here to distinguish
-- one from another
class IsYes :: YesNoKind -> Constraint
class IsYes a where
  isYes :: Proxy a -> YesNo
instance IsYes YesK where
  isYes _ = Yes
else instance IsYes a where
  isYes _ = No
-- Using instance chains here is more convenient if we had
-- a lot more type-level values than just 2. In some cases,
-- it is needed in cases where a type-level type can have an
-- infinite number of values, such as a type-level String
-- Open a REPL, import this module, and then run this code:
     reflectYesNo yesK
     reflectYesNo noK
     isYes yesK
```

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```
isYes noK
-- PureScript >=0.15.13 Approach: use Visible Type Applications
class IsYesNoKindVta :: YesNoKind -> Constraint
class IsYesNoKindVta a where
  reflectYesNoVta :: YesNo
instance IsYesNoKindVta YesK where
   reflectYesNoVta = Yes
instance IsYesNoKindVta NoK where
   reflectYesNoVta = No
-- We can also use instance chains here to distinguish
-- one from another
class IsYesVta :: YesNoKind -> Constraint
class IsYesVta a where
  isYesVta :: YesNo
instance IsYesVta YesK where
  isYesVta = Yes
else instance IsYesVta a where
  isYesVta = No
-- Using instance chains here is more convenient if we had
-- a lot more type-level values than just 2. In some cases,
-- it is needed in cases where a type-level type can have an
-- infinite number of values, such as a type-level String
-- Open a REPL, import this module, and then run this code:
      reflectYesNoVta @YesK
      reflectYesNoVta @NoK
-- isYesVta @YesKyesK
     isYesVta @NoK
-- necessary for not getting errors while trying the functions in the REPL
instance Show YesNo where
    show Yes = "Yes"
    show No = "No"
```

# **02-Reification.purs**

```
module Syntax. TypeLevel. Reification where
-- ignore this
import Prelude (class Show)
-- Reification = value-level value -> type-level value
-- Given a yes/no data type
-- data YesNo = Yes | No
-- In value-level programming,
ignoreMe :: String
ignoreMe =
    -- we can write something like this...
    yesno_to_string_function a_yesno_value_determined_at_runtime
{-
This function does not know which value of the YesNo type
(i.e. `Yes` or `No`) it will be when the program is executed.
However, since the function knows how to map both values
of the YesNo type into an value of a String type, it doesn't matter.
Similarly, for type-level programming, we won't always know which
value of the value-level type it will be. However, if we know how to
reify every value of that value-level type into an value of
a type-level type, it doesn't matter.
Reification works by using callback functions:
-}
-- Given the following code, which
-- - defines the type-Level YesNo and its two values
     - defines a Proxy type and its two values

    defines the reflection function for both values ...

data YesNo = Yes | No
data YesNoKind
foreign import data YesK :: YesNoKind
foreign import data NoK :: YesNoKind
-- PureScript <0.15.13 Approach: use Proxy arguments
data Proxy :: forall k. k -> Type
data Proxy kind = Proxy
yesK :: Proxy YesK
yesK = Proxy
noK :: Proxy NoK
noK = Proxy
```

```
class IsYesNoKind :: YesNoKind -> Constraint
class IsYesNoKind a where
  reflectYesNo :: Proxy a -> YesNo
instance IsYesNoKind YesK where
  reflectYesNo _ = Yes
instance IsYesNoKind NoK where
  reflectYesNo _ = No
-- We can reify a YesNo by defining a callback function that receives
-- the corresponding type-level value as its only argument
-- (where we do type-level programming):
reifyYesNo
  :: forall returnType
   YesNo
 -> (forall b. IsYesNoKind b => Proxy b -> returnType)
 -> returnType
reifyYesNo Yes function = function yesK
reifyYesNo No function = function noK
-- PureScript >=0.15.13 Approach: use Visible Type Applications
class IsYesNoKindVta :: YesNoKind -> Constraint
class IsYesNoKindVta a where
  reflectYesNoVta :: YesNo
instance IsYesNoKindVta YesK where
  reflectYesNoVta = Yes
instance IsYesNoKindVta NoK where
  reflectYesNoVta = No
-- We can reify a YesNo by defining a callback function that
-- has the corresponding type-level value type-applied
reifyYesNoVta
  :: forall returnType
  . YesNo
 -> (forall @b. IsYesNoKindVta b => returnType)
  -> returnType
reifyYesNoVta Yes function = function @YesK
reifyYesNoVta No function = function @NoK
-- necessary for not getting errors while trying the functions in the REPL
instance Show YesNo where
    show Yes = "Yes"
    show No = "No"
```

```
-- necessary to compile

yesno_to_string_function :: YesNo -> String
yesno_to_string_function Yes = "yes"
yesno_to_string_function No = "no"

a_yesno_value_determined_at_runtime :: YesNo
a_yesno_value_determined_at_runtime = Yes
```

# **10-Conventions.purs**

```
module Syntax. TypeLevel. Conventions where
-- This file shows the patterns and naming schemes used when writing
-- type-level programming code. Refer to this whenever you're lost.
-- Entities that have the comment "NANS" mean "no apparent naming scheme".
-- In other words, there is not a naming scheme that people seem to follow.
-- So, name it however you want.
-- Entities that do seem to have naming scheme will have their explanation
-- above them in a comment.
type Value_Level_Type = String
data KindName
foreign import data Value :: KindName
-- PureScript <0.15.13 Approach: use Proxy arguments
data Proxy :: forall k. k -> Type
data Proxy kind = Proxy
-- NANS
inst :: Proxy Value
inst = Proxy
-- The class name is usually "Is[KindName]"
class IsKindName :: KindName -> Constraint
class IsKindName a where
  -- and the reflect function is usually "reflect[KindName]"
  reflectKindName :: Proxy a -> Value_Level_Type
instance IsKindName Value where
  reflectKindName _ = "value-level value"
class IsKindName a <= ConstrainedToKindName a</pre>
-- NANS
instance ConstrainedToKindName Value
-- Usually reify[KindName]
reifyKindName :: forall r
           Value_Level_Type
          -> (forall a. IsKindName a => Proxy a -> r)
          -> r
reifyKindName _valueLevel function = function inst
-- PureScript >=0.15.13 Approach: use Visible Type Applications
```

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```
-- Note: below we will add the 'Vta'
-- suffix so as not to clash names with the previous class
-- The class name is usually "Is[KindName]".
class IsKindNameVta :: KindName -> Constraint
class IsKindNameVta a where
  -- and the reflect function is usually "reflect[KindName]"
  reflectKindNameVta :: Value_Level_Type
instance IsKindNameVta Value where
  reflectKindNameVta = "value-level value"
-- NANS
class IsKindNameVta a <= ConstrainedToKindNameVta a</pre>
-- NANS
instance ConstrainedToKindNameVta Value
-- Usually reify[KindName]
reifyKindNameVta :: forall r
           Value_Level_Type
          -> (forall @a. IsKindNameVta a => r)
          -> r
reifyKindNameVta _valueLevel function = function @Value
```

### 11-Symbol-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax. TypeLevel. Symbol Syntax where
vl_string :: String
vl_string = "a value-level string!"
-- `Symbols` are type-level strings
-- Compiler imports this automatically via the Prim module
data Symbol_
-- This proxy type is defined in the purescript-prelude package
data Proxy :: forall k. k -> Type
data Proxy kind = Proxy
-- use literal string syntax
tl_literalString :: Proxy "a type-level string!"
tl_literalString = Proxy
-- use multi-line string syntax!
tl_multiLineString :: Proxy "a type-level \
                             \string!"
tl_multiLineString = Proxy
-- use triple-quote string syntax
tl_tripleQuoteStringSyntax :: Proxy """triple-quote string syntax
works as long as each new line is indented, so that the compiler
doesn't think the string is the definition for
 the 'tl_tripleQuoteStringSyntax' function.
The string will automatically escape special characters
 (e.g. '.', '*', '/')."""
tl_tripleQuoteStringSyntax = Proxy
Symbol's other type-level programming constructs are in other modules
that must be imported to work:
  - purescript-prelude:
      - `IsSymbol` typeclass
      - `reifySymbol` function
  - prim (type-level functions)
      - Compare: "a" compare "b" == LT
      - Append: "hello" append "world" == "hello world"
               "a" cons "pple" = "apple"
      - Cons:
      - Uncons: "string" = "s" append "tring"
-}
```

# 12-Integer-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax.TypeLevel.IntegerSyntax where
-- value level integers
vl_int1 :: Int
vl_int1 = 1
vl_int2 :: Int
vl_int2 = 0x01 -- alternative way to write them
vl_int3 :: Int
vl_int3 = 1_000_000 -- use underscores for thousands character
-- `Int` are type-level integers
-- Compiler imports kind `Int` automatically via the Prim module
data Int_
-- This proxy type is defined in the purescript-prelude package
data Proxy :: forall k. k -> Type
data Proxy kind = Proxy
-- use literal int syntax
tl_literalInt1 :: Proxy 1234
tl_literalInt1 = Proxy
-- use hexadecimal syntax!
tl_literalInt2 :: Proxy 0x01
tl_literalInt2 = Proxy
-- use underscore syntax
tl_literalInt3 :: Proxy 1_000_000
tl_literalInt3 = Proxy
-- negative values must be wrapped in parenthesis
-- use literal int syntax
tl_literalInt1' :: Proxy (-1234)
tl_literalInt1' = Proxy
-- use hexadecimal syntax!
tl_literalInt2' :: Proxy (-0x01)
tl_literalInt2' = Proxy
-- use underscore syntax
tl_literalInt3' :: Proxy (-1_000_000)
tl_literalInt3' = Proxy
Int's other type-level programming constructs are in other modules
that must be imported to work:
  - purescript-prelude:
      - `Reflectable` typeclass
```

```
- `reflectType` function
- `reifyType` function
- prim (type-level functions)
- Add: "a" compare "b" == LT
- Mul: "hello" append "world" == "hello world"
- ToString: "a" cons "pple" = "apple"
-}
```

### 21-Row-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax.TypeLevel.RowSyntax where
-- "row kinds" look like "Row k" where 'k' is another kind.
-- Usually, it's used with the kind, `Type`, to make Records (e.g. "Row Type")
-- You cannot find that much documentation on `Row` kinds because
-- they are built into the compiler.
type Example_of_an_Empty_Row :: forall k. Row k
type Example_of_an_Empty_Row = ()
type Example_of_a_Single_Row_of_Types = (fieldName :: ValueType)
type Example_of_a_Multiple_Row_of_Types = (first :: ValueType, second ::
ValueType)
data Proxy :: forall k. k -> Type
data Proxy kind = Proxy
one_Key_Value_Pair :: Proxy (key :: Int)
one_Key_Value_Pair = Proxy
two_Key_Value_Pairs :: Proxy (key1 :: Int, key2 :: Int)
two_Key_Value_Pairs = Proxy
many_Key_Value_Pair :: Proxy ( key1 :: Int
                              , key2 :: String
                              , keyN :: (Int -> String)
many_Key_Value_Pair = Proxy
nested_Key_Value_Pair :: Proxy (outerKey :: Proxy (innerKey :: Int))
nested_Key_Value_Pair = Proxy
-- Since row kinds can be used with other kinds, one could also define
-- a row of Symbols:
type Example_of_a_Single_Row_of_Symbols = (a :: "a symbol")
type Example_of_a_Multiple_Row_of_Symbols = (a :: "a symbol", b :: "another
symbol")
-- These can also be used with the quoted-key syntax (explained previously in
the
-- Records folder):
type Quoted_Key_Row_of_Symbols = ("the key" :: "the symbol")
row_of_symbols_proxy :: Proxy ( firstField :: "this is a symbol"
                              , secondField :: "this is another symbol"
row_of_symbols_proxy = Proxy
Just like Symbol, Row's other type-level programming constructs
are defined in the built-in `Prim` package and the `purescript-prelude`
```

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```
library.
-}
-- needed to compile
type ValueType = String
```

### **RowList**

The final aspect of type-level programming to learn is <code>RowList</code>. This is where type-level programming often gets interesting because one can do interesting things with records at the type-level.

It is not covered in this folder. Rather, it is covered in Hello World/Type Level Programming/src/RowList because one needs to understand how Data.Foldable.foldl works (which is explained in Hello World/Collections and Loops). Until one understands what a "fold left" is, understanding RowList will not make much sense either.

### **Module Syntax**

Warning [current] of [total]:

#### Self-explanatory

Due to the compiler being efficient and not wanting to import unused values/functions/etc., compiling this folder will emit a lot of warnings. If the warnings look like either of these two messages, they can be ignored:

First

```
in module Syntax.Module.FullExample
  at src/11-Full-Module-Syntax.purs line 58, column 1 - line 58, column 37

The import of module Module.SubModule.SubSubModule is redundant

See https://github.com/purescript/documentation/blob/master/errors/
UnusedImport.md for more information,
  or to contribute content related to this warning.

Second

Warning [current] of [total]:
  in module Syntax.Module.Importing
  at src/03-Basic-Importing.purs line 29, column 1 - line 29, column 58

  There is an existing import of ModuleDataType, consider merging the import lists

See https://github.com/purescript/documentation/blob/master/errors/
DuplicateSelectiveImport.md for more information,
  or to contribute content related to this warning.
```

#### **File Location Conventions**

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```
-- a module named...
module Module1 where
-- imports and source code
-- ... should be located in the file...
-- src/Module1.purs
-- whereas
-- a submodule named...
module Module.SubModule.SubSubModule where
-- imports and source code
-- ... should be located in the file...
-- src/Module/SubModule/SubSubModule.purs
```

#### **Real World Naming Conventions**

See the Style Guide's section on Module Names

### **01-Basic-Syntax.purs**

```
module Syntax.Module.Basic
  (
    -- exports appear here
    exportedFunction
) where

-- imports must appear at the top or you'll get a compiler error
import Prelude

-- everything else in the module goes underneath it

exportedFunction :: String -> String
exportedFunction x = x <> "more stuff"

-- an import cannot go here since we are no longer
-- in the "import section" of the file

notExportedValue :: Int
notExportedValue = 3
```

# **02-Basic-Exporting.purs**

```
module Syntax.Module.Exporting
  -- exports go here by just writing the name
  ( value
  , function, (>@>>>) -- aliases must be wrapped in parenthesis
  -- when exporting type classes, there are two rules:
  -- - you must precede the type class name with the keyword 'class'
  -- - you must also export the type class' function (or face compilation
errors)
  , class TypeClass, tcFunction
  -- when exporting modules, you must precede the module name with
  -- the keyword 'module'
  , module ExportedModule
  -- The type is exported, but no one can create a value of it
  -- outside of this module
  , ExportDataType1_ButNotItsConstructors
  -- syntax sugar for 'all constructors'
  -- Either all or none of a type's constructors must be exported
  , ExportDataType2_AndAllOfItsConstructors(..)
  -- Type aliases can also be exported
  , ExportedTypeAlias
  -- When type aliases are aliased using infix notation, one must export
  -- both the type alias, and the infix notation where 'type' must precede
  -- the infix notation
  , ExportedTypeAlias_InfixNotation, type (<|<>|>)
  -- Data constructor alias; exporting the alias requires you
  -- to also export the constructor it aliases
  , ExportedDataType3_InfixNotation(Infix_Constructor), (<||||>)
  , ExportedKind
  , ExportedKindValue
  ) where
-- imports go here
import ExportedModule
value :: Int
value = 3
function :: String -> String
function x = x
infix 4 function as >@>>>
class TypeClass a where
```

### 03-Basic-Importing.purs

```
-- For now, ignore the `module Exports` export
-- and the "import Module (value) as Exports" syntax
-- This will be explained later and is necessary now
-- to prevent the compiler from emitting lots of warnings.
module Syntax. Module. Importing (module Exports) where
-- One never just imports the entire module.
-- Rather, one must specify what is being imported.
-- The following import statements emit a compiler warning:
-- import Module
-- import Module.SubModule.SubSubModule
-- import values from a module
import ModuleValues (value1, value2) as Exports
-- imports functions from a module
import ModuleFunctions (function1, function2) as Exports
-- imports function alias from a module
import ModuleFunctionAliases ((/=), (===), (>>**>)) as Exports
-- imports type class from the module
import ModuleTypeClass (class TypeClass) as Exports
-- import a type but none of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType) as Exports
-- import a type and one of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType(Constructor1)) as Exports
-- import a type and some of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType(Constructor1, Constructor2)) as Exports
-- import a type and all of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType(..)) as Exports
import ModuleKind (ImportedKind, ImportedKindValue) as Exports
-- To prevent warnings from being emitted during compilation
-- the above imports have to either be used here or
-- re-exported (explained later in this folder).
```

# 04-Resolving-Naming-Conflicts-Using-Keyword--Hiding.purs

```
-- There are situations where a function in one module
-- may be the same name as a function in another module
-- for example
-- module ModuleNameClash1 (sameFunctionName1) where -- ...
-- module ModuleNameClash2 (sameFunctionName1) where -- ...
-- In this file, how do we use both of them?
-- We can use the 'hiding' keyword
module Syntax.Module.ResolvingNamingConflicts.ViaHiding where
import ModuleNameClash1 (sameFunctionName1)
import ModuleNameClash2 hiding (sameFunctionName1)
-- now 'sameFunctionName1' refers to ModuleNameClash1's function,
-- not ModuleNameClash2's function
myFunction1 :: Int -> Int
myFunction1 a = sameFunctionName1 a
```

## 04-Resolving-Naming-Conflicts-Using-Module-Aliases.purs

```
{-
There are situations where a function in one module
may be the same name as a function in another module
For example
  module ModuleNameClash1 (sameFunctionName1) where -- ...
  module ModuleNameClash2 (sameFunctionName1) where -- ...
This can also arise when data type share the same name:
  module ModuleNameClash1 (SameDataName(..)) where
  module ModuleNameClash2 (SameDataName(..)) where
In this file, how do we use both of them?
We can use Module aliases -}
module Syntax. Module. Resolving Naming Conflicts. Via Module Aliases where
import ModuleNameClash1 as M1
import ModuleNameClash2 as M2
myFunction2 :: Int -> Int
myFunction2 a = M1.sameFunctionName1 (M2.sameFunctionName1 a)
dataDifferences :: M1.SameDataName -> M2.SameDataName -> String
dataDifferences M1.Constructor M2.Constructor = "code works despite name clash"
```

## 05-Re-exporting-Modules-or-Submodules.purs

```
-- To get the "import RootModule.SubModule.SubModule" syntax
module Syntax.Module.ExportingModules
  ( module ModuleAlias
  ) where
-- We can use module alises to export multiple things
-- (e.g. types, constructors, functions, values)
-- from multiple modules conveniently
import Module1 (anInt1) as ModuleAlias
import Module2 (anInt2) as ModuleAlias
import Module3 (anInt3) as ModuleAlias
-- By convention, this is usually "Exports"
import Module4.SubModule1 (someFunction) as ModuleAlias
{-
This enables the syntax:
import Syntax.Module.ExportingModules (anInt, anInt2, anInt3, someFunction)
-- or we can use module aliases
import Syntax. Module. Exporting Modules as EM
-- in code
EM.anInt
EM.someFunction
-}
```

# **06-Exporting-Entire-Current-Module.purs**

```
{-
Let's say you have a module with A LOT of entities
and you want to export ALL of them. (This 'trick' doesn't
work if you want to export some but not all entities.)
Rather than typing all of the exports, you can use the
"re-export module" syntax to export the current module
module Syntax.Module.ExportingEntireCurrentModule
  (
    -- By exporting the current module,
    -- we can export all of its entities at once.
    module Syntax.Module.ExportingEntireCurrentModule
  ) where
-- 14 entities in total
a :: String
a = "a"
b :: String
b = "b"
c :: String
c = "c"
d :: String
d = "d"
e:: String
e = "e"
f :: String
f = "f"
g:: String
g = "g"
h :: String
h = "h"
i :: String
i = "i"
j :: String
i = "i"
k :: String
k = "k"
l :: String
1 = "1"
```

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```
m :: String
m = "m"

n :: String
n = "n"
```

# 11-Full-Module-Syntax.purs

```
module Syntax.Module.FullExample
  -- exports go here by just writing the name
  ( value
  , function, (>@>>>) -- aliases must be wrapped in parenthesis
  -- when exporting type classes, there are two rules:
  -- - you must precede the type class name with the keyword 'class'
  -- - you must also export the type class' function (or face compilation
errors)
  , class TypeClass, tcFunction
  -- when exporting modules, you must precede the module name with
  -- the keyword 'module'
  , module ExportedModule
  -- The type is exported, but no one can create a value of it
  -- outside of this module
  , ExportDataType1_ButNotItsConstructors
  -- syntax sugar for 'all constructors'
  -- Either all or none of a type's constructors must be exported
  , ExportDataType2_AndAllOfItsConstructors(..)
  -- Type aliases can also be exported
  , ExportedTypeAlias
  -- When type aliases are aliased using infix notation, one must export
  -- both the type alias, and the infix notation where 'type' must precede
  -- the infix notation
  , ExportedTypeAlias_InfixNotation, type (<|<>|>)
  -- Data constructor alias; exporting the alias requires you
  -- to also export the constructor it aliases
  , ExportedDataType3_InfixNotation(Infix_Constructor), (<||||>)
  , ExportedKind
  , ExportedKindValue
  ) where
-- imports go here
-- imports just the module
import Module
-- import a submodule
import Module.SubModule.SubSubModule
-- import values from a module
import ModuleValues (value1, value2)
-- imports functions from a module
```

```
import ModuleFunctions (function1, function2)
-- imports function alias from a module
import ModuleFunctionAliases ((/=), (===), (>>**>>))
-- imports type class from the module
import ModuleTypeClass (class TypeClass)
-- import a type but none of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType)
-- import a type and one of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType(Constructor1))
-- import a type and some of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType(Constructor1, Constructor2))
-- import a type and all of its constructors
import ModuleDataType (DataType(...))
-- resolve name conflicts using "hiding" keyword
import ModuleNameClash1 (sameFunctionName1)
import ModuleNameClash2 hiding (sameFunctionName1)
-- resolve name conflicts using module aliases
import ModuleNameClash1 as M1
import ModuleNameClash2 as M2
-- Re-export modules
import Module1 (anInt1) as Exports
import Module2 (anInt2) as Exports
import Module3 (anInt3) as Exports
import Module4.SubModule1 (someFunction) as Exports
import ModuleKind (ImportedKind, ImportedKindValue) as Exports
import Prelude
import ExportedModule
-- To prevent warnings from being emitted during compilation
-- the above imports have to either be used here or
-- re-exported (explained later in this folder).
value :: Int
value = 3
function :: String -> String
function x = x
infix 4 function as >@>>>
class TypeClass a where
```

```
tcFunction :: a -> a -> a
-- now 'sameFunctionName1' refers to ModuleF1's function, not ModuleF2's
function
myFunction1 :: Int -> Int
myFunction1 a = sameFunctionName1 a
myFunction2 :: Int -> Int
myFunction2 a = M1.sameFunctionName1 (M2.sameFunctionName1 a)
dataDifferences :: M1.SameDataName -> M2.SameDataName -> String
dataDifferences M1.Constructor M2.Constructor = "code works despite name clash"
data ExportDataType1_ButNotItsConstructors = Constructor1A
data ExportDataType2_AndAllOfItsConstructors
  = Constructor2A
  | Constructor2B
  Constructor2C
type ExportedTypeAlias = Int
data ExportedDataType3_InfixNotation = Infix_Constructor Int Int
infixr 4 Infix_Constructor as <||||>
type ExportedTypeAlias_InfixNotation = String
infixr 4 type ExportedTypeAlias_InfixNotation as <|<>|>
data ExportedKind
foreign import data ExportedKindValue :: ExportedKind
```

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#### **Prelude Syntax**

This folder documents the syntax that is enabled by importing Prelude.

Ignore this folder's contents until you are reading through the Prelude folder in the Hello World folder. When you are in that folder and you see unfamiliar syntax, you should probably return here:

- do notation
- ado notation
- Natural Transformations

#### **Discard**

There is a type class in Prelude called **Discard** that does not appear in our diagram of Prelude's type classes. It is implemented only by Unit .:

```
-- Pseudo-Syntax: combines the class and its only instance into one block:
class Discard Unit where
  discard :: forall f b. Bind f => f Unit -> (Unit -> f b) -> f b
  discard = bind
```

This seemingly pointless type class insures that you do not accidentally "throw away" the result of a computation when you did not intend to do so (covered next in 'do notation'). One should almost never implement it for another type, unless one knows what they are doing and they have a very rare use case for it.

### **02-Do-Notation.purs**

```
module Syntax.Prelude.Notation.Do where
import Prelude
In imperative programming, one often writes some sequential code like:
  x = 4
  y = x + 4
  z = toString x
  print z
Since each line depends on the line before it,
  this implies sequential computation, or Monads. We have "do" notation
  to imitate this style of code
Recall the type signature of `bind`...
      bind :: m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b
... and that ">>=" is an alias for `bind`
Thus, these two expressions are the same:
    bind computation (\result -> newComputationUsing result)
    computation >>= (\result -> newComputationUsing result)
-}
do1_bind :: Box Unit
do1_bind =
  bind get4 (\x ->
    bind (add4To x) (y \rightarrow
      bind (toString y) (\z \rightarrow
        print z
      )
    )
-- which is better understood by replacing `bind` with ">>=" as
do1_alias :: Box Unit
do1_alias =
  get4 >>= (\x ->
    -- only call `add4To x` if `get4` actually produces something
    add4To x >>= (y ->
      toString y >>= (\z ->
        print z
      )
    )
-- which is better understood and more readable as
do1_do_notation :: Box Unit
do1_do_notation = do
  Х
     <- get4
       <- add4To x
  У
    <- toString y
  -- last line in do notation must not end with `value <- computation`
  -- but should just end in `computation`
```

```
print z
-- Just like in regular functions, we could use 'let-in' syntax
do2_bind :: Box Unit
do2_bind =
 bind get4 (\x ->
     let y = x + 4
     in bind (toString y) (\z -> print z)
-- which is better understood by replacing `bind` with ">>=" as
do2_alias :: Box Unit
do2_alias =
  get4 >>= (\x ->
     -- While replacing 'bind' with '>>=' is better,
     -- this let-in syntax is still not very readable here...
     let y = x + 4
     in toString y >>= (\z -> print z)
    )
-- but we can write it better as
do2_do_notation :: Box Unit
do2_do_notation = do
 x <- get4
 let y = x + 4 -- no need to have a corresponding `in` statement
 z <- toString y
 print z
do3_ignoreValue_bind :: Box Unit
do3_ignoreValue_bind =
 bind get4 (\x ->
    bind (takeValueAndIgnoreResult x) (\_ {- this underscore is 'unit' -} ->
     print x
    )
 )
-- which is better understood by replacing `bind` with ">>=" as in
do3_ignoreValue_alias :: Box Unit
do3_ignoreValue_alias =
 get4 >>= (\x -> takeValueAndIgnoreResult x >>= (\_ -> print x))
-- gets turned into...
do3_ignoreValue_do_notation :: Box Unit
do3_ignoreValue_do_notation = do
       <- get4
        <- takeValueAndIgnoreResult x</pre>
 print x
do4_discard_bind :: Box Unit
do4_discard_bind =
 bind (Box unit) (\unit_ ->
    bind (Box unit) (\unit__ ->
     print 5
    )
-- which is better understood by replacing `bind` with ">>=" as in
```

```
do4_discard_alias :: Box Unit
do4_discard_alias =
  (Box unit) >>= (\unit_ ->
    (Box unit) >>= (\unit__ ->
        print 5
    )
 )
-- can be written as...
do4_discard_syntax :: Box Unit
do4_discard_syntax = do
                                                                   {-
 When we omit the "binding <-" syntax, as in
      four <- Box 4 -- line 1
              Box a -- line 2
      five <- Box 5 -- line 3
 the compiler translates `line 2` to
      "discard (Box a) (\_ -> (Box 5) >>= (\five -> ... ))"
 This is fine if the argument to the next function would be Unit
      four <- Box 4
      unit <- Box unit -- here, we could omit the "unit <-" syntax
      five <- Box 5
              Box unit -- same thing
 If we had accidentally written code that amounted to this...
      four <- Box 4
              Box 10 -- notice how there is no "10 <-" fragment
      five <- Box 5
  ... the compiler would notify us that we had discarded a non-unit value
      (i.e. 10):
        "Could not find instance of Discard for Int"
 Why does it do this? To highlight that we have accidentally dropped the
 result of the computation. If you want to intentionally drop a result,
 use `void $ monad` or the "_ <- computation" syntax</pre>
-}
 x \leftarrow (Box 5)
  (Box unit) -- since it returns unit, it's ok to use discard here
  -- rather than write this...
 map (\ -> unit) (Box 5)
  -- or even this...
  (\ -> unit) < > (Box 5)
  -- we write this:
 void $ Box 5
 print 5
```

```
do_full_syntax :: Box Unit
do_full_syntax = do
 x <- get4
  _ <- takeValueAndIgnoreResult x</pre>
  (Box unit)
  void $ takeValueAndIgnoreResult x
 let y = x + 4
 z <- toString y</pre>
  -- last line in do notation must NOT end with `value <- expression`
 -- but should just end in `expression`
  print z
-- needed to make this file compile
data Box a = Box a
derive instance Functor Box
instance Apply Box where
  apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Applicative Box where
  pure a = Box a
instance Bind Box where
 bind (Box a) f = f a
get4 :: Box Int
get4 = Box 4
add4To :: Int -> Box Int
add4To i = Box (i + 4)
toString :: Int -> Box String
toString i = Box (show i)
takeValueAndIgnoreResult :: forall a. a -> Box a
takeValueAndIgnoreResult a = Box a
print :: forall a. a -> Box Unit
print _ = Box unit
```

#### **Reading Do Notation as Nested Binds**

Be aware of where the parenthesis appear when using multiple bind expressions (e.g. m a >>= aToMB >>= bToMC). Below provides a summary of the section called "Do notation" in this article:

```
data Maybe a
  = Nothing
  | Just a
instance Bind Maybe where
  bind :: forall a b. Maybe a -> (a -> Maybe b) -> Maybe b
  -- when given a Nothing, stop all future computations and return immediately.
  bind Nothing _ = Nothing
  -- when given a Just, run the function on its contents
  bind (Just a) f = f a
half :: Int -> Maybe Int
half x \mid x \% 2 == 0 = Just (x / 2)
       | otherwise = Nothing
-- This statement
(Just 128) >>= half >>= half >>= half
-- desugars first to
(Just 128) >>= (\original -> half original >>= half >>= half )
-- which can be better understood as
(Just 128) >>= aToMB
-- which can be better understood as
bind (Just 128) >>= aToMB
-- since the latter ">>=" calls are nested inside of the first one, one
-- should read the above computation as "Only continue if the previous
      `bind`/`>>=` call was successful."
-- In this situation, it is:
bind (Just 128) (\original -> half original >>= half)
-- reduces to
(\128 -> half 128 >>= half >>= half)
-- reduces to
half 128 >>= half >>= half
-- ... and so forth until we get the result:
Just 16
-- Similarly
Nothing >>= half >>= half >>= half == Nothing
-- desguars first to
Nothing >>= (\value -> half value >>= half >>= half) == Nothing
-- which can be better understood as
         >>= aToMB == Nothing
-- which can be better understood as
bind Nothing aToMB == Nothing
-- and, looking at the instance of Bind above, reduces to Nothing
-- The other `half` computations are never executed.
-- Thus, given this function...
half3Times :: Maybe Int -> Maybe Int
half3Times maybeI = do
  original <- maybeI
  first <- half original -- ===
```

```
second <- half first -- | a -> m b
 third <- half second -- |
  pure third
                           -- ===
-- ... passing in `Nothing` doesn't compute anything
half3Times Nothing == Nothing
-- Likewise, passing in a bad starting value will also stop the computation
-- as soon as possible:
(Just 3) >>= half >>= (\thisWontRun -> pure thisWontRun)
-- will desugar to
bind (Just 3) half =
-- will desugar to
half 3
-- which desugars to
half 3 | 3 % 2 == 0
    otherwise = Nothing
-- which tests whether `3 % 2 == 0` (false) the 'otherwise path'
Nothing >>= (\thisWontRun -> pure thisWontRun)
-- which desugars to
bind NOthing (\thisWontRun -> pure thisWontRun)
-- which desugars to
Nothing
```

### **04-Ado-Notation.purs**

```
{-
Link to original issue's comment
where this is fully explained:
https://github.com/purescript/purescript/pull/2889#issuecomment-301260299
Following the 'do' notation of Monads, the 'ado' notation is for Applicative
Since Applicative can be used for parellel computation, one **might**
   read the following code as
     "produces some value at the same time it's producing another value"
   rather than sequential computation, which is
     "produces some value, and then uses that value to produce another value"
It depends on whether parallel applicatives are used or not.
module Syntax.Prelude.Notation.Ado where
import Prelude
data Box a = Box a
instance Functor Box where
  map :: forall a b. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Box a \rightarrow Box b
  map f(Box a) = Box (f a)
-- infixl 4 map as <$>
instance Apply Box where
  apply :: forall a b. Box (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
  apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)
-- infixl 4 apply as <*>
instance Applicative Box where
  pure :: forall a. a -> Box a
  pure a = Box a
_____
pure_no_sugar :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> a -> Box b
pure_no_sugar f a = pure (f a)
pure_sugar :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> a -> Box b
pure_sugar f a = ado
  in f a
map_no_sugar :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
map_no_sugar f g = (\x -> f x) < \ g
map_sugar :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
map_sugar f g = ado
 x <- g
  in f x
-- See `lift2` from Apply: https://pursuit.purescript.org/packages/purescript-
prelude/4.1.0/docs/Control.Apply#v:lift2
liftN_no_sugar :: forall a b c. (a -> b -> c) -> Box a -> Box b -> Box c
liftN_no_sugar f g h = (\x y -> f x y) < \ g <*> h
```

```
liftN_sugar :: forall a b c. (a -> b -> c) -> Box a -> Box b -> Box c
liftN_sugar f g h = ado
  x <- g
  y <- h
  in f x y
liftN_unit_no_sugar :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box Unit -> Box b
liftN_unit_no_sugar f g h = (\x - > f x) < \ g <*> h
liftN_unit_sugar :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box Unit -> Box b
liftN_unit_sugar f g h = ado
  x <- g
  h
  in f x
_____
liftN_Let_no_sugar :: forall a. (Int -> Int -> a) -> Box Int -> Box Unit -> Box
liftN_Let_no_sugar f g h = (\x -> \text{let } y = x + 1 \text{ in } (\_ -> \text{ f } x \text{ y})) < \xspace < x > h
liftN_Let_sugar :: forall a. (Int -> Int -> a) -> Box Int -> Box Unit -> Box a
liftN_Let_sugar f g h = ado
  x <- g
  let y = x + 1
  in f x y
```

#### **05-Natural-Transformation.purs**

```
module Syntax.Prelude.NaturalTransformations where
-- Given this code
data Box1 a = Box1 a
data Box2 a = Box2 a
-- This function's type signature...
box1_to_box2_noisy :: forall a. Box1 a -> Box2 a
box1_to_box2_noisy (Box1 a) = Box2 a
-- ... has a lot of noise and could be re-written to something
-- that communicates our intent better via Natural Transformations...
-- Read: given an 'a' that is inside of a 'container' or 'context',
-- change the container F to container G.
-- I don't care what type 'a' is since it's irrelevant
type NaturalTransformation_ f g = forall a. f a -> g a
infixr 4 type NaturalTransformation_ as ~>
box1_to_box2 :: Box1 ~> Box2 {- much less noisy than
box1_to_box2 :: forall a. Box1 a -> Box2 a -}
box1_to_box2 (Box1 a) = Box2 a
```

#### **Modifying Do/Ado Syntax Sugar**

This folder documents how one can modify what occurs when using "do notation" and "ado notation." You will likely not need to use these as a beginner. Over time, once you have learned more about FP, these features may be useful. Feel free to skip or skim through this on your first read.

#### The Problem

"do notation" and "ado notation" are purely syntax sugar. Rather than having to write some rather verbose code, we can use these two keywords to make the compiler do all of that for us.

It would be nice if one could modify how this syntax sugar gets desugared in some situations. For example...

- ado notation:
  - removing some of the boilerplate needed to use Applicatives to validate data.
- do notation:
  - using IndexedMonad -based computations (i.e. monads with phantom types that provide more context about what can/can't happen at that computation step) in the same way we would use Monad -based computations.

Presently, there are two ways to do this:

- Rebindable Do/Ado
- Qualified Do/Ado (available since the 0.12.2 release)

Each will be covered in the following folders. To keep it simple, we'll use the Box monad to explain how it works. Unfortunately, this monadic type isn't a good example as to why one would want to use this.

# 01-Rebindable-Ado.purs

```
module Syntax. Modification. Rebindable Ado where
-- I assume you are already familiar with how 'ado notation' desugars.
-- If not, go read through that explanation again.
import Prelude
-- We'll use a qualified import to make it easier to see
-- when we're referring to the REAL 'apply' and 'map' as defined
-- in Prelude and not our customized versions.
import Data.Functor as NormalMap
import Control.Apply as NormalApply
-- Given this monad (type class instances are at bottom of file)
data Box a = Box a
{ -
"ado notation" works by
- desugaring the "<-" notation via the "apply" function within scope
- desugaring the "in <function>" notation via the "map" function within scope
Thus, to change how these two things desugar, we change what 'apply' and 'map'
mean via a let binding or a where clause.
Note: rebinding 'ado' will produce the following compiler warnings:
"Name `apply` was shadowed."
"Name `map` was shadowed."
-- This is how we would use "rebindable syntax" via a 'let binding'
-- to write normal "ado notation" (i.e. apply and map are unchanged)
normalApply_let_in :: Box Int
normalApply_let_in =
  let
    { -
    These do not work
    -- Compiler error: "The value of apply is undefined here,
    -- so this reference is not allowed."
    -- The compiler thinks 'apply' is defined as itself.
    apply :: forall f a b. Apply f => f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
    apply = apply
    -}
    -- These do work.
    -- apply :: forall f a b. Apply f => f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
    apply = NormalApply.apply
    -- map :: forall f a b. Functor f \Rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow f a \rightarrow f b
    map = NormalMap.map
  in ado
    three <- Box 3
```

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```
two <- Box 2
    in three + two
-- Redefining them in a 'where' clause is more readable.
normalApply_where :: Box Int
normalApply_where = ado
  three <- Box 3
  two <- Box 2
  in three + two
 where
    apply :: forall f a b. Apply f => f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
    apply = NormalApply.apply
    map :: forall f a b. Functor f => (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
    map = NormalMap.map
-- Now, let's change how `<-` gets desugared by actuallying changing how
-- `apply` is defined. Whenever `apply` gets called, it will add 1
-- to the result of apply by using `map (_ + 1)`.
plusApply_where :: Box Int
plusApply_where = ado
  three <- Box 3
  two <- Box 2
  in three + two
 where
    -- Our modified 'apply' will add 1 each time it gets called.
    -- To support this modification, we'll modify the type signature
    -- to force this to only work on boxes of Ints.
    apply :: forall f. Apply f => f (Int -> Int) -> f Int -> f Int
    apply boxedF boxedArg =
      NormalMap.map (_ + 1) (NormalApply.apply boxedF boxedArg)
                                                                         {-
                             ^ Warning: if we used `apply` here instead of
                                `NormalApply.apply`, we would have
                               created an infinite loop
                                                                          -}
    -- Since `map` isn't defined here, the closest "in-scope" definition
    -- is the `map` that is imported from Data.Functor in the 'import Prelude'
    -- line.
Here's the graph reduction of the above `plus1Apply` code:
  three <- Box 3
  two <- Box 2
  in three + two
((\three two -> three + two)
  `NormalMap.map` Box 3)
  `apply` Box 2 -- i.e. our modified apply
(NormalMap.map (\three two -> three + two) (Box 3)) `apply` Box 2
Box (two -> 3 + two) `apply` Box 2
```

```
apply (Box (two -> 3 + two)) (Box 2)
-- now reduces 'apply' with our modified definition
-- Note that "<*>" refers to the normal apply definition.
map (_ + 1) (NormalApply.apply (Box (\two -> 3 + two)) (Box 2))
map (_ + 1) (
                              (Box (\2 -> 3 + 2))
map(_ + 1)(
                               (Box (
                                             5
                                                     ))
                                                               )
map (_ + 1) (Box 5)
Box 6
-}
-- Applicative types allow us to use things like `*>` and `<*`
-- Why not rebind ado notation to use that for apply?
realWorldExample :: Box Int
realWorldExample = ado
  three <- Box 3
  two <- Box 2
  in three + two
 where
    -- Our modified `apply` will run the normal computation
    -- and then return the result, Box 4, rather than the actual computation.
    -- A better example would be using "ado notation" to validate
    -- data and use something like, `boxedF <*> boxedArg <* pure unit`,</pre>
    -- to reduce boilerplate.
    apply :: forall f. Applicative f => f (Int -> Int) -> f Int -> f Int
    apply boxedF boxedArg = boxedF <*> boxedArg *> pure 4
{-
The above graph reduction is:
  three <- Box 3
  two <- Box 2
  in three + two
(\three two -> three + two)
  `NormalMap.map` (Box 3)
  `apply` (Box 2)
NormalMap.map (\three two -> three + two) (Box 3) `apply` (Box 2)
Box (two -> 3 + two) `apply` (Box 2)
-- here we use replace 'apply' with our modified definition
Box (\two -> 3 + two) <*> (Box 2) *> Box 4
NormalApply.apply (Box (two -> 3 + two)) <*> (Box 2) *> Box 4
                  (Box (\
                             -> 3 + 2 ))
                                                      *> Box 4
                                5
                                        )
                                                      *> Box 4
                  applyRight (Box 5) (Box 4)
applyRight (Box 5) (Box 4)
```

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```
(\left right -> right) <$> (Box 5) <*> (Box 4)
Box 4
-}
-- I don't have an example of remapping `map` because I couldn't find a way
-- to do that without getting a compiler error.
-- Still, this file demonstrates how to do this.
{-
Lastly, one can change `apply` multiple times throughout the 'ado notation'
if one were to use lets. For example,
ado
  -- apply not set, so use normal definition
 let apply = definition -- apply now uses modified version
  b <- someB
  c <- someC
  let apply = definition2 -- apply now uses a second modified version
  d <- someD
  in computation a b c d
For readability, this is not recommended. I only include it here to be
complete in this explanation.
-}
-- Type class instances
instance Functor Box where
 map :: forall a b. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Box a \rightarrow Box b
 map f(Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Apply Box where
  apply :: forall a b. Box (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
  apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Applicative Box where
  pure :: forall a. a -> Box a
  pure a = Box a
instance (Show a) => Show (Box a) where
  show (Box a) = "Box(" \iff show a \iff ")"
```

# 01-Rebindable-Do.purs

```
module Syntax. Modification. Rebindable Do where
-- I assume you are already familiar with how 'do notation' desugars.
-- If not, go read through that explanation again.
import Prelude
-- We'll use a qualified import to make it easier to see
-- when we're referring to the REAL 'bind' defined
-- in Prelude and not our customized version.
import Control.Bind as NormalBind
-- Given this monad (type class instances are at bottom of file)
data Box a = Box a
{-
"do notation" works by
- desugaring a line with the "<-" notation via the "bind" function within scope
- desugaring a line without the "<-" notation via the "discard" function within
scope
Thus, to change how these two things desugar, we change what 'bind' and
'discard'
mean via a let binding or a where clause.
However, since `discard = void $ bind`, we almost never need to remap `discard`
to a different definition. While one could, I don't know why one would.
Note: rebinding 'do' will produce the following compiler warnings:
"Name `bind` was shadowed."
"Name `discard` was shadowed."
-- While 'bind' has been imported above, we don't have to use that 'bind'
explicitly
normalBind_let_in :: Box Int
normalBind_let_in =
  let
    bind = NormalBind.bind
    -- this isn't necessary, but we'll include it here anyway.
    discard = NormalBind.discard
  in do
    three <- Box 3
    Box unit
    two <- Box 2
    pure (three + two)
-- Redefining them in a where clause is more readable.
normalBind_where :: Box Int
normalBind_where = do
  three <- Box 3
```

```
two <- Box 2
  pure (three + two)
  where
    bind = NormalBind.bind
    -- Again, this isn't necessary, but we'll include it here anyway.
    discard = NormalBind.discard
-- Similar to `ado notation`, we can rebind `do notation` to use a different
-- implementation than the default `bind`.
plusBind_where :: Box Int
plusBind_where = do
  three <- Box 3
  two <- Box 2
  pure (three + two)
  where
    bind boxedArg aToMB =
      NormalBind.bind boxedArg aToMB >>= \result -> pure (result + 1)
                                                                               {-
      ^ Warning: using `bind` here would lead to an infinite loop during
        runtime that will stack overflow. We need to refer to the normal
        bind using `NormalBind.bind` or `>>=`
-}
    -- discard is not included here because the next closest discard definition
    -- in scope is the one imported via "import Prelude"
{-
The above code's graph reduction is:
do
  three <- Box 3
  two <- Box 2
  pure (three + two)
bind (Box 3) (\three ->
  bind (Box 2) (\three ->
    pure (three + two)
  )
)
let firstBindResult = NormalBind.bind (Box 3) (x \rightarrow pure (x + 1))
in NormalBind.bind firstBindResult (\three ->
  bind (Box 2) (\three ->
    pure (three + two)
  )
)
let firstBindResult =
                                               (\3 -> pure (3 + 1))
in NormalBind.bind firstBindResult (\three ->
  bind (Box 2) (\three ->
    pure (three + two)
  )
)
```

```
let firstBindResult =
                                                       pure 4
                                                                  )
                                                (
in NormalBind.bind firstBindResult (\three ->
  bind (Box 2) (\three ->
    pure (three + two)
 )
)
let firstBindResult = Box 4
in NormalBind.bind firstBindResult (\three ->
  bind (Box 2) (\three ->
    pure (three + two)
  )
)
NormalBind.bind (Box 4) (\three ->
  bind (Box 2) (\two ->
    pure (three + two)
  )
)
                         (\4 ->
  bind (Box 2) (\two ->
    pure (4 + two)
  )
bind (Box 2) (\two ->
  pure (4 + two)
)
let secondBindResult = NormalBind.bind (Box 2) (\y -> pure (y + 1))
in NormalBind.bind secondBindResult (\two ->
  pure (4 + two)
let secondBindResult =
                                                 (\2 -> pure (2 + 1))
in NormalBind.bind secondBindResult (\two ->
  pure (4 + two)
let secondBindResult =
                                                        pure 3
                                                 (
in NormalBind.bind secondBindResult (\two ->
  pure (4 + two)
)
let secondBindResult = Box 3
in NormalBind.bind secondBindResult (\two ->
  pure (4 + two)
)
NormalBind.bind (Box 3) (\two ->
  pure (4 + two)
)
```

```
(\3 ->
  pure (4 + 3)
pure (4 + 3)
Box 7
-}
{-
This example would require using a monad that supports MonadWriter.
One could rebind `bind` to log the argument before continuing the computation.
For example, someting like:
  bind computation aToMB =
    computation >>= (\result ->
      -- log what the argument was here via `tell`
      tell result >>= (\_ ->
        -- then continue the computation like normal
        aToMB result
      )
-}
-- Type class instances
instance Functor Box where
  map :: forall a b. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Box a \rightarrow Box b
  map f(Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Apply Box where
  apply :: forall a b. Box (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
  apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Bind Box where
  bind :: forall a b. Box a -> (a -> Box b) -> Box b
  bind (Box a) f = f a
instance Applicative Box where
  pure :: forall a. a -> Box a
  pure a = Box a
instance Monad Box
instance (Show a) => Show (Box a) where
  show (Box a) = "Box(" <> show a <> ")"
```

#### **Introducing Qualified Do/Ado**

# Possible Readability Issue with Rebindable Do/Ado Notation

When using Rebindable do/ado notation, I'd recommend using the let ... in do/ado aproach for rebinding function names. Let me give an example why. If we used the 'where' clause approach, it isn't immediately clear whether do/ado notation desugars to the standard functions or to some remapped version until the very end. For example,

```
-- Reader thinks, "Oh hey! It's do notation.
-- It's just standard `bind` desugaring."
comp3 :: Box Int
comp3 = do
 a <- Box 1
 b <- Box 1
  c <- Box 1
  d <- Box 1
  e <- Box 1
  f <- Box 1
  g <- Box 1
 h <- Box 1
  i <- Box 1
  i <- Box 1
  k <- Box 1
  l <- Box 1
  m <- Box 1
  n <- Box 1
  o <- Box 1
  p <- Box 1
  q <- Box 1
  r <- Box 1
  pure 5
    someValue = "some really long boilerplate-y string..."
    anotherComputation = case _ of
      Just x -> Right $ foldl ((:)) Nil x
      Nothing -> Left "Not sure what went wrong here..."
    -- Reader now thinks, "Oh crap. My understanding is completely off
    -- now that I know `bind` really means the below definition..."
    bind = -- my custom bind definition...
```

The above problem can be alleviated by bumping bind to the top using a let binding.

```
-- Reader thinks, "Oh hey! It's do notation.
-- It's just standard `bind` desugaring."
comp3 :: Box Int
comp3 = do
    -- Reader thinks, "Oh wait. It's using a custom bind definition.
    -- I'll need to read through this next part carefully..."
    let bind = -- my custom bind definition...
    in do
        a <- Box 1
        b <- Box 1
        -- the rest of the code in the example above...</pre>
```

#### Problems with Rebindable Do/Ado Notation

There are generally two problems with Rebindable do/ado notation.

First, each function that uses this feature must rebind do/ado notation to the correct definition. If one was building a library where each function used this, it would get very tedious.

For example,

```
comp1 :: Box Int
comp1 = let bind = NormalBind.bind in do
 three <- Box 3
 Box unit
 two <- Box 2
  pure (three + two)
comp2 :: Box Int
comp2 = let bind = NormalBind.bind in do
 three <- Box 3
 pure (three + two)
-- ok, this is really getting tedious...
comp3 :: Box Int
comp3 = let bind = NormalBind.bind in do
 three <- Box 3
 Box unit
 two <- Box 2
  pure (three + two)
```

Second, rebindable do/ado notation might not be easily redable when running computations in various monadic contexts. For example

```
someComputation :: Box Int
someComputation = let bind = NormalBind.bind in do
   -- Box monadic context... use standard bind here
   value1 <- takesMonad1Argument (let bind = customBind in do
    -- Monad1 monadic context... use custom bind here
   value2 <- runMonad1Computation
   takesMonad2Argument (let bind = NormalBind.bind in do
    -- Monad2 monadic context... use a different custom bind here...
   value3 <- runMonad2Computation)
   pure (value3 + 5))
pure (value1 + 8)</pre>
```

As can be seen, "rebindable" do/ado notation is good when functions do not use many lines and one is not switching back and forth between monadic contexts.

Still, Qualified Do/Ado helps "solve" each of these problems. What follows is the requirements one needs to implement before this feature will work. In this example, we'll use a more complicated example: IndexedMonad/IxMonad.

# 12-MonadLikeTypeClasses.purs

```
module Syntax.Modification.MonadLikeTypeClasses
  ( class IxFunctor, imap, map
  , class IxApply, iapply, apply
  , class IxApplicative, ipure, pure
  , class IxBind, ibind, bind
  , class IxMonad
  , Box(..)
  ) where
import Data.Unit (Unit)
import Data.Show (class Show, show)
import Data.Semigroup ((<>))
-- Given a data type with instances for the IndexedMonad type class
-- hierarchy (type class instances are below each type class)
data Box :: forall k. k -> k -> Type -> Type
data Box phantomInput phantomOutput storedValue = Box storedValue
instance (Show a) => Show (Box x x a) where
  show (Box a) = "Box(" <> show a <> ")"
-- Requirement 1: type classes that are similar to Functor to Monad hierarchy
-- - ado requirements: Functor, Apply, and Applicative
-- - do requirements: Functor, Apply, Applicative, Bind, and Monad
class IxFunctor :: forall k. (k -> k -> Type -> Type) -> Constraint
class IxFunctor f where
  imap :: forall a b x. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow f \times x \times a \rightarrow f \times x \times b
instance IxFunctor Box where
  imap :: forall a b x. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Box x x a \rightarrow Box x x b
  imap f (Box a) = Box (f a)
class IxApply :: forall k. (k -> k -> Type -> Type) -> Constraint
class (IxFunctor f) <= IxApply f where</pre>
  iapply:: forall a b x y z. f x y (a -> b) -> f y z a -> f x z b
instance IxApply Box where
  iapply :: forall a b x y z. Box x y (a -> b) -> Box y z a -> Box x z b
  iapply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)
class IxApplicative :: forall k. (k -> k -> Type -> Type) -> Constraint
class (IxApply f) <= IxApplicative f where</pre>
  ipure :: forall a x. a -> f x x a
instance IxApplicative Box where
  ipure :: forall a x. a -> Box x x a
  ipure a = Box a
```

```
class IxBind :: forall k. (k -> k -> Type -> Type) -> Constraint
class (IxApply m) <= IxBind m where</pre>
  ibind:: forall abxyz.m xya->(a->m yzb)->m xzb
instance IxBind Box where
  ibind :: forall a b x y z. Box x y a \rightarrow (a \rightarrow Box y z b) \rightarrow Box x z b
  ibind (Box a) f =
    -- `f a` produces a value with the type, `Box y z b`, which is
    -- not the return type of this function, `Box x z b`.
    -- So, we can either `unsafeCoerce` the result of `f a` or just
    -- rewrap the 'b' value in a new Box. We've chosen to take the
    -- latter option here for simplicity.
    case f a of Box b -> Box b
class IxMonad :: forall k. (k -> k -> Type -> Type) -> Constraint
class (IxApplicative m, IxBind m) <= IxMonad m</pre>
instance IxMonad Box
-- Requirement 2: define functions whose names correspond to the ones used
-- in the regular type classes: `map`, `apply`, 'pure', 'bind', and
-- 'discard' (for when bind returns 'unit')
map :: forall f a b x. IxFunctor f \Rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow f \times x \quad a \rightarrow f \times x \quad b
map = imap
apply :: forall f a b x y z. IxApply f => f x y (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow f y z a \rightarrow f x z b
apply = iapply
pure :: forall f a x. IxApplicative f => a -> f x x a
pure = ipure
bind :: forall m a b x y z. IxBind m \Rightarrow m x y a \Rightarrow (a \Rightarrow m y z b) \Rightarrow m x z b
bind = ibind
discard :: forall a x y z m. IxBind m => m x y a -> (a -> m y z Unit) -> m x z
Unit
discard = ibind
```

# 13-Qualified-Do.purs

```
module Syntax. Modification. Qualified Do where
-- we'll import Prelude so that the regular functions (e.g. "pure" "bind")
-- are in scope to prove that they don't cause problems here.
import Prelude
-- Requirement 3: import the module using a module alias, making it possible
-- to use the same function names to refer to different "bind"-like functions
import Syntax.Modification.MonadLikeTypeClasses as I
import Syntax.Modification.MonadLikeTypeClasses (Box)
-- Requirement 4: When we want to use 'qualified do' syntax, we need to call
-- the separate functions above and constrain the types to use IxMonad
doExample :: forall input. Box input input String
                        -- signifies that we're using the "bind" and "discard"
doExample = I.do
                             functions defined in the "MonadLikeTypeClasses"
                             module to desugar "<-" and lines that lack it
                             (i.e. discard)
                        -- signifies that we're using the "pure" function
 a <- I.pure "test1"
                        -- defined in the "MonadLikeTypeClasses" module
  b <- I.pure "test2"
  I.pure (a <> b)
```

# 14-Qualified-Ado.purs

```
module Syntax. Modification. Qualified Ado where
-- we'll import Prelude so that the regular functions (e.g. "map" "apply")
-- are in scope to prove that they don't cause problems here.
import Prelude
-- Requirement 3: import the module using a module alias, making it possible
-- to use the same function names to refer to different "apply"-like functions
import Syntax.Modification.MonadLikeTypeClasses as I
import Syntax.Modification.MonadLikeTypeClasses (Box)
-- Requirement 4: When we want to use 'qualified ado' syntax, we need to call
the separate
-- function above and constrain the types to use IxApplicative
adoExample :: forall x. Box x x String
adoExample = I.ado
                         -- signifies that we're using the "apply" and "map"
                              functions defined in the "MonadLikeTypeClasses"
                              module to desugar "<-" and "in <function>"
                              notation.
  a <- I.pure "test1"
                         -- signifies that we're using the "pure" function
                              defined in the "MonadLikeTypeClasses" module
  b <- I.pure "test2"</pre>
  in twoArgFunction a b
twoArgFunction :: String -> String -> String
twoArgFunction a b = a <> b
mixingAdosTogether :: String
mixingAdosTogether =
  11 11 11
  I think "qualified ado" and "unqualified ado" can be mixed together,
  but I don't know of any examples
```

# **Useful** dos

@artemisSystem published a library based on this idea called purescript-qualified-do. Each module can be imported using qualified do to get specific functionality.

### **Hello World**

This folder will document everything necessary to create a simple console-based program in Purescript. It will explain:

- The philosophical foundations of FP programming
- The Prelude library (including Functor, Apply, Applicative, Bind, and Monad explanations)
- A simple "Hello World" program and other Effects
- Custom Compiler Warnings/Errors
- The difference between Local Mutable State vs Global Mutable State
- How to test code
- How to benchmark / profile code
- How to structure an FP application
- An overview of various type-level programming libraries
- A few console-based games written in Purescript (putting it all together)

While you may not be at the top of this Haskell Competency Matrix by the end of this repo, you will have taken a significant step towards that direction. This repo will not explain how to write algorithms in a performant way using an FP language. Consider reading Algorithm Design with Haskell which does teach algorithms using an FP language.

In pursuing these goals, it will overview the following libraries:

- Basic
  - Prelude
  - Prim.TypeError
- Effects
  - Effect
  - Console
  - Random
  - Aff
- State
  - ST
  - Refs
- Testing
  - Spec
  - Quick Check
  - Quick Check Laws
- Benchmarking
  - Benchotron

- Advanced
  - Variant/VariantF
  - o MTL
  - o Free
  - Run
- UIs
  - Node ReadLine
  - Halogen

### **Helpful Links**

• Pursuit - Docs for Purescript packages

### **Other Learning Resources**

Besides this repo, we have a few choices in terms of understanding functional programming. These are not necessarily "either X or Y or Z" choices but could be "X supplemented by Y with a little bit of Z")

#### **Purescript**

- The Purescript By Example book. (See ROOT\_FOLDER/Getting Started/Other Important Info.md for links and clarifications around it)
- Purescript Resources Justin Woo's Read the Docs (RTD) work

#### **JavaScript**

Make the Leap from JavaScript to PureScript

#### Haskell

Since Purescript is heavily inspired by and very similar to Haskell, one can learn a lot about Purescript by learning from these Haskell learning resources. Note: the Haskell names and type classes do not always correspond to the Purescript versions.

Action	Pros	Cons
Read the documentation and source code for a type class and a few data types' implementations of said type classes	Free	Takes a lot of time; requires intuition to understand type class' usefulness / relation to others.
Read through the articles on or pay for training from FP Complete's opinionated Haskell website	Free / Paid	(Haven't done it so I don't know)
Read through the intermediate-level Haskell articles in the Applied Haskell 2018 GitHub Repo	Free	(Haven't done it so I don't know)
Read through some of the free course materials taught by someone well informed about Haskell here (you'll need to scroll towards the bottom)	Free; more principled explanations	Looking at just slides without hearing someone teach using them is not usually as clear as when someone does teach using them or reading through a textbook on the same matter.
Read through the extremely lengthy "What I wish I knew when learning Haskell" site	Free; provides a better overview of basic to advanced topics	Very long; not necessarily deep and clear in its explanations
Read and do the exercises from The Haskell Book	The "standard" for teaching Haskell and FP concepts in general: good explanations; good exercises; teaches "programming in the small"	Costs money; costs time; the exercises will stretch you

Action	Pros	Cons
Read and do the exercises from Haskell Cookbook, and then its follow up book Haskell Cookbook 2	Free/Cheap; simpler than the Haskell book; gets to ideas faster; teaches "programming in the large"	May be harder for a new beginner (I haven't read it yet)
Watch the Intro to FP course on edX.org here	Free (or paid)	(Haven't done it so I don't know)
Read the relevant chapters from Learn You a Haskell for Great Good	Free	I read elsewhere that it's "outdated". See this Reddit comment's warning about learning from LYAHH

#### **Miscellaneous Links**

• LambdaConf YouTube Channel

# Prelude-ish

This folder will cover three things:

- Basic data types
- The Prelude library
- Two additional type classes: Foldable and Traversable

# **Basic FP Data Types**

Whenever you come across a new type, you should think about it from three perspectives:

- **Produce**: how do I make a value of this type?
- Transform: how do I transfom a value of this type into another value of the same type?
- **Consume**: how do I destroy a value of this type?

In other words, think of types according to this picture:

Create-Transform-Destroy

## Void

A type with no values. This is NOT the C or Java-style void type.

It is useful for proving that a type can never exist or a computation path can never occur.

## Unit

A type with 1 value, Unit, though most will see it used via unit. This IS the C or Java-style void type. It usually indicates a "side effect", mutation, or impure code.

```
-- Data.Unit (Unit, unit)
data Unit = Unit
unit :: Unit
unit = Unit
```

It's also used to indicate a thunk, a computation that we know how to do but have chosen to delay executing/evaluating until later:

```
type ComputationThatReturns a = (Unit -> a)
thunk :: forall a. a -> ComputationThatReturns a
thunk a = (\_ -> a)
-- We run the pending computation (force the thunk) by passing
-- unit to it:
runPendingComputation :: ComputationThatReturns a -> a
runPendingComputation thunk = thunk unit
```

Unit

## **Sum and Product Types**

There are generally two data types in FP languages. These are otherwise known as Algebraic Data Types (ADTs):

- Sum types
  - $\circ$  Counts like addition: the total number of possible values for a sum type A+B is the number of possible values for type A added to the number of possible values for type B.
  - Works like a logical OR
- Product types
  - Counts like multiplication: the total number of possible values for a product type
     A\*B is the number of possible values for type A multiplied by the number of possible values for type B.
  - Works like a logical AND

These are better explained in this video as to how they get their names.

The simplest form of them are Either and Tuple

```
-- sum
data Either a b -- a value of this type is an `a` value OR a `b` value
 = Left a
  | Right b
                -- a value of this type is an `a` value AND a `b` value
-- product
data Tuple a b
 = Tuple a b
                 -- a value of this type is one of the following:
-- both
data These a b
              -- - an `a` value
 = This a
                 -- - a `b` value
  | That b
                 -- - an `a` value AND a `b` value
  | Both a b
-- For example, These could be rewritten to
-- use a combination of Either and Tuple:
type These_ a b = Either a (Either b (Tuple a b))
```

However, these types can also be 'open' or 'closed':

	Sum	Product	Sum and Product
Closed	Either a b	Tuple a b	These a b

	Sum	Product	Sum and Product
	Variant (a :: A, b :: B)	Record (a :: A, b :: B) (e.g. { a :: A, b :: B}	
Open	Variant (a :: A   allOtherRows)	Record (a :: A   allOtherRows) (e.g. { a :: b   allOtherRows })	-

### What does 'Open' mean?

Using this example from the Syntax folder...

```
-- the 'r' means, 'all other fields in the record'
function :: forall r. { fst :: String, snd :: String | r } -> String
function record = record.fst <> record.snd

-- so calling the function with both record arguments below works
function { fst: "hello", snd: "world" }
function { fst: "hello", snd: "world", unrelatedField: 0 } -- works!
-- If this function used Tuple instead of Record,
-- the first argument would work, but not the second one.
```

Here's another way to think about this:

- Record s are 'nested Tuple s'
- Variant s are 'nested Either S'

```
-- We could write
Tuple a (Tuple b (Tuple c (Tuple d e)))
-- or we could write
{ a :: A, b :: B, c :: C, d :: D, e :: E }
-- which desugars to
Record ( a :: A, b :: B, c :: C, d :: D, e :: E )
-- We could write
Either a (Either b (Either c (Either d e)))
-- or we could write
Variant ( a :: A, b :: B, c :: C, d :: D, e :: E)
```

Keep in mind that records/variants **can be but do not necessarily have to be** open. If we changed the above function's type signature to remove the  $\, \mathbf{r} \,$ , it would restrict its arguments to a closed Record:

```
closed :: { fst :: String, snd :: String } -> String
closed record = record.fst <> record.snd

closed { fst: "hello", snd: "world" } -- compiles
closed { fst: "hello", snd: "world", unrelatedField: 0 } -- compiler error
```

### **Concluding Thoughts**

The next few pages will cover the above types in a bit more depth. However, **performance-wise**, it's generally better to use Record instead of Tuple, and it's definitely better to use Record instead of a nested Tuple.

Similarly, it's better to use Variant instead of a nested Either. However, sometimes Either is all one needs and Variant is overkill.

For people new to the language and algebraic data types (ADTs) in general, stick with Tuple, Either, and closed Record S.

## **Either**

A type that stores one of two values.

	Package	Type name	"Plain English" name	
	purescript-either	Either a b	Choice of 2 types	
Usage			Values & their Usage	
Used to second t	indicate one type or a ype		- a value of а b - a value of ь	
Error had	nding (when we care e error)	when a • Right	- the error type that is returned computation fails b - the output type when a tation succeeds	

API visualized:

Either API

For the corresponding "open" type, see Variant

Package	Type name	"Plain English" name
purescript-variant	Variant (a :: A, b :: B)	Choice of N types

# Maybe

Maybe a is the FP solution to the problem of null values. It is essentially Either Unit a.

Maybe a is the same as Either unimportantType a

	Package	Type name	"Plain English" name
	purescript-maybe	Maybe a	A full or empty box
	Usage		Values' Representation
<ul> <li>Nothing - value does not exist</li> <li>Just a - value does exist</li> </ul>		_	
Used for error-handling when we don't care about the error (replaces null)		ces •	Nothing - An error occurred during computation but the error is irrelevant Just a - successful computation returned output.

API visualized:

Maybe API

# **Tuple**

data Tuple a b = Tuple a b

Package	Type name	"Plain English" name
purescript-tuples	Tuple a b	2-value Box

Usage	Values & their Usage
Stores two unordered unnamed values of the same/different types.  Can be used to return or pass in multiple unnamed values from or into a function.	Tuple a b

API visualized

Tuple API

Records are nested tuples that can be "open".

```
forall r. { a :: A, b :: B, {- ... -} | r } -- open record { a :: A, b :: B, {- ... -} } -- closed record
```

Package	Type name	"Plain English" name
prim	{ field :: ValueType }	an N-value Box

Usage	Values & their Usage
Stores N unordered named values of the same/different	
types.	{ field ::
Can be used to return or pass in multiple unnamed values from or into a function.	ValueType }

## **These**

One type for combining Either and Tuple. Stores the same information as Either a (Either b (Tuple a b)). See purescript-these.

```
data These a b
= This a -- Left a
| That b -- Right b
| Both a b -- Tuple a b
```

### List

List is what FP programmers typically use to store a sequence of values because it is friendly to recursion. Array is what most mainstream languages use. Due to JavaScript's strict runtime (as opposed to Haskell's lazy runtime), most PureScript developers will use Array instead of List. However, explaining some FP concepts are easier to do using List rather than Array.

Understand the upcoming definition using this diagram:

Package	Type name	"Plain English" name
purescript-list	List a	Immutable strict/lazy singly-linked list

Recursive-friendly, not-best-performant list type

• Nil - Indicates the end of a List in pattern matching
• Cons a (List a) - stores one value of the list (head) and the tail, which is either the rest of the list (another Cons) or the end of the list (Nil).

## **Useful Functions**

These all come from Data. Function in Prelude.

#### const

```
const :: forall a b. a -> b -> a
const x _ = x
-- Example
const 1 "hello" = 1
const 1 true = 1
const 1 42 = 1
```

#### flip

### apply

Forewarning: apply via \$ shows up EVERYWHERE! Bookmark this until you get it.

I read somewhere (I think <code>@garyb</code> mentioned this in the PureScript chatroom) that \$ was chosen because it's two parenthesis with a line through it, symbolizing that it removes the need to use parenthesis.

```
-- Reduce the number of parenthesis needed
apply :: (a -> b) -> a -> b
apply function arg = function arg

infix 0 apply as $
-- example
print (5 + 5) == print $ 5 + 5

print (append "foo" (4 + 4)) == print $ append "foo" $ 4 + 4
-- control flow reads bottom-to-top
print
   $ append "foo"
   $ 4 + 4
```

#### applyFlipped

```
-- apply with its arguments flipped
applyFlipped :: forall a b. a -> (a -> b) -> b
applyFlipped = flip apply

infxl 1 applyFlipped as #

-- example
append "foo" (print (5 + 5)) == 5 + 5 # print # append "foo"

-- control flow reads top-to-bottom
-- looks similar to `foo.function().someOtherFunction(arg)`
-- in a C-style or Java language.
5 + 5
# print
# append "foo"
```

#### **Other Less-Used Functions**

applyN

```
-- apply a function with the given arg totalTimes
applyN :: forall a. (a -> a) -> Int -> a -> a
applyN function totalTimes arg = -- implementation
-- no infix
-- Example
applyN (+) 2 2 -- reduces to...
2 + (applyN (+) 1 2) -- reduces to...
2 + 2
```

#### on

```
-- When the desired function takes b, but you have 'a'.
-- So, we change 'a' to 'b' and then call the function
on :: forall a b c. (b -> b -> c) -> (a -> b) -> a -> a -> c
on function changeAToB a1 a2 = function (changeAToB a1) (changeAToB a2)
-- Example
on (+) stringToInt "4" "5" == 9
```

### **Rarely-Used Functions**

#### **Natural Transformations**

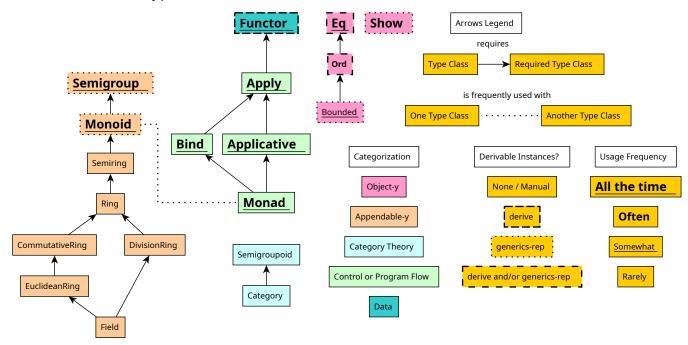
Changes the Box -like type that wraps some a . Since the a isn't relevant, ~> emphasizes the box types that are being changed. It's not used frequently, but knowing about ~> helps you to read code.

```
-- Data.NaturalTransformation (NaturalTransformation, (~>))
-- Given this code
data Box1 a = Box1 a
data Box2 a = Box2 a
-- This function's type signature...
box1_to_box2 :: forall a. Box1 a -> Box2 a
box1_to_box2 (Box1 a) = Box2 a
-- ... has a lot of noise and could be re-written to something
-- that communicates our intent better via Natural Transformations...
-- Read: change the container F to container G.
-- I don't care what type 'a' is since it's irrelevant
type NaturalTransformation f g = forall a. f a -> g a
infixr 4 NaturalTransformation as ~>
                         Box1 ~> Box2 {- much less noisy than
box1_to_box2 ::
box1_to_box2 :: forall a. Box1 a -> Box2 a -}
box1_to_box2
                         (Box1 a) = Box2 a
```

# **Prelude's Type Classes**

### Relationships

Below is a dependency graph / type class categorization of the type classes found in Prelude. The usage frequency key is my current understanding and may be inaccurate for the "somewhat"/"rare" type classes:



### **Tricks for Implementing a Type Class Instance**

Keep in mind that when implementing a type class, one does not always need to implement its function with a specific implementation for a given type. There are two situations in which this can occur:

First, this situation can arise when a type class defines two or more functions. Sometimes, a function in a type class can be defined using another function from that same type class. Take, for example, the Eq type class:

```
class Eq a where
  eq :: a -> a -> Boolean

notEq :: a -> a -> Boolean
```

Granted, an Eq instance can be derived by the compiler. However, assuming this wasn't the case, there are two ways we could implement it:

- 1. We could implement only eq and implement notEq by inverting eq 's result.
- 2. We could implement only notEq and implement eq by inverting notEq 's result

Second, sometimes, a function in a type class can be defined using a function from a required type class. Take, for example, the <code>ord</code> type class:

If we implement compare, we can also implement eq:

### Laws

This is a cheatsheet for various terms used to describe laws. Not all of these will appear in Prelude and some may be explained in a type class' definition. Still, it helps to be aware of them:

Law	Definition	Example	Explanation of example
reflexive	x function x == true	x <= y	a <= a is true for any number a you pick
irreflexive	x function x == false	x < y	a < a is false for any number a you pick
coreflexive	if (x function y) then (x == y)	(x <= 15) && (x == y)	given (a <= 15) && (a == b) , then a == b (the converse is not true, though!)
symmetric	if (x function y) then (y function x)	x == y	given a == b, then b == a
antisymmetric	if (x function y && y function x) then (x == y)	x <= y	given a <= b && b <= a, then a == b
asymmetric	if (x function y) then (y function x == false)	x < y	given a < b, then ! (b < a) (asymmetric = antisymmetric + irreflexive)
transitive	if (x function y && y function z) then (x function z)	x == y, x <= y	given a == b && b == c, then a == c given a <= b && b <= c, then a <= c

# **Objecty**

In Java, every object has 3 functions:

- toString
- equals
- hashCode

However, some types do not need these functions (e.g. singletons, lambda functions, etc.). Furthermore, equals should only work between objects of the same type (i.e. 4 == "4" shouldn't compile).

In PureScript, we can only determine whether a value of type A is equal to another value of type A if it has an Eq instance. Similarly, values of a given type can only be "ordered" if the type has an instance of the Ord type class.

Whether a type implements a type class or not restricts or increases what one can do with it.

### Show, Eq, Ord, Bounded

Since the documentation for these type classes are clear, we will redirect you to them instead of repeating them here:

- Show converts a value into a String. Unfortunately, people out of convenience use it for multiple purposes. See <a href="https://hdgarrood/scommonword/">https://hdgarrood/scommonword/</a> Down With Show 3-part series as to why he thinks we should replace <a href="https://show.org/">Show with something that better suits the purposes for which it is normally used.</a>
- Eq determines whether two values of the same type are equal. In this way, it avoids the problem that Java has above.
- Ordering is a data type for specifying whether something is less than (LT), equal to (EQ), or greater than (GT) something else. Ord takes two values of type, a, and returns an Ordering. Ord uses total ordering. There are a different kinds of ordering that require a different number and type of laws:
  - Preorder: reflexive and transitive laws
  - **Parital order**: reflexive, transitive, and antisymmetric
  - Total order: reflexive, transitive, antisymmetric, and total (e.g. it can order every value of a given type)
- Bounded just adds an upper and lower bound to Ord.

### **Useful Derived Functions**

Most of these come from Ord:

- min/max self-explanatory
- clamp clamp lowerBound upperBound value
- between between lowerBound upperBound value

### **Arrows**

We'll explain this idea before Control Flow-related type classes so that you understand a notation we'll use in them.

#### **Cleaner Function Notation**

Let's say I have two functions:

```
(\x -> x + 1)
(\y -> y * 10)
```

If we want to apply an argument to the first and pass its output into the second, we would have to write something ugly-looking:

```
(\x -> (\y -> y * 10) (x + 1))
```

What we mean is something like this

```
f = (\x -> x + 1)
g = (\y -> y * 10)
expression = (\arg -> g (f arg))
```

We have just defined function composition, which can be written in such a way to reduce "noise:"

```
-- The arrow determines where the output goes
(\a -> g (f a)) == (g <<< f)
(\a -> g (f a)) == (f >>> g)
```

Moreover, sometimes we want a function that returns the input:

```
(\x -> x)
-- so that we can use it like...
(\x -> x) 4 == 4
```

We call this function, identity:

```
(\x -> x) == identity
-- same thing
identity 4 == 4
```

## **Generalizing to More Types**

To summarize...

Name	Meaning	Shortcut
compose	(\a -> g (f a))	(g <<< f)
composeFlipped	(\a -> g (f a))	(f >>> g)
identity	(\x -> x) a	identity a

If we were to turn <code>compose</code> into a function, it would appear with the type signature below:

```
compose :: forall a b c. (b -> c) -> (a -> b)
                                                -> (a -> c)
-- However, "->" is just sugar syntax for Function:
compose :: forall a b c. Function b c -> Function a c -> Function a c
-- Notice that Function appears to be just another data structure.
-- If it works for that data structure, why not generalize it for any data
compose :: forall f a b c. f b c -> f a b -> f a c
-- Let's rename our generics, so that it starts with `a` rather than `f`:
compose :: forall a b c d. a c d -> a b c -> a b d
-- We'll line up the types for easier reading:
                                                 (a -> b) ->
compose :: forall a b c.
                                (b -> c) ->
                                                                     (a -
> c)
b c -> f
compose :: forall f a b c. f
                                                   а
                                                        b -> f
                                                                      а
compose :: forall a b c d. a
                                c d -> a
                                                   b
                                                        c -> a
                                                                      b
-- We've now just defined the function `compose` for Semigroupoid:
class Semigroupoid a where
 compose :: forall b c d. a c d -> a b c -> a b d
-- Doing the same for identity is trivial:
identity :: forall a.
identity :: forall a. Function a
identity :: forall f a. f
identity :: forall a b. a
                                  b
class (Semigroupoid a) <= Category a where</pre>
 -- we'll use 't' instead of 'b'
 identity :: forall t. a t t
```

Here's the docs. You likely won't be using these that often (unless perhaps you're designing a library), but it's good to know of them:

- Semigroupoid generalizes compose
- Category generalizes identity

You will see  $g \ll g$  or its flipped version  $g \gg f$  a lot and we'll use it in the upcoming files.

# **Appendable: Semigroup to Monoid**

This file will only cover the first two type classes in the type class hierarchy. The rest will be covered later.

These type classes often take two values of a given type and 'append' them into one new value. One could also think of this as 'reducing' two values into one value.

### **Semigroup**

```
class Semigroup a where
  append :: a -> a -> a
infixr 5 append as <>
```

#### **Examples**

One example is String. Two String values can be 'appended/reduced' into one value by concatenating them together: append "hello" "world" == "hello world".

Another example is Boolean (although its functions are not defined in this way as there is a better type class for them). Two Boolean values can be 'appended/reduced' into one value via the usual suspects:

```
true && true == truefalse || true == true
```

A third example is Int, which has two possible instances for 'appending/reducing' two values into one value. How? One could

```
add them: 1 + 1multiple them: 2 * 2
```

A fourth is List. One can take two values of List and combine them together by putting both lists' elements into one new list.

#### **Monoid**

```
class Semigroup a <= Monoid a where
  mempty :: a</pre>
```

mempty is the "identity" value. In other words mempty <> a == a and a <> mempty == a. In some contexts, mempty acts like a "default value."

The name, mempty, is used rather than empty because empty is the name of a function that a different but similar type class called Plus defines. We won't cover Plus here.

Using the same examples above,

Туре	mempty <b>value</b>	Example 1	Example 2
String	1111	"foo" <> "" == "foo"	"" <> "foo" == "foo"
Boolean (and)	true	x && true == x	true && x == x
Boolean (Or)	false	x `	
Int (plus)	0	x <> 0 == x	0 <> x == x
Int (multiply)	1	x <> 0 == x	1 <> x == x
List	Nil	x <> Nil == X	Nil <> x == x

#### **Docs**

Some of these type classes also specify specific helper types (sub bullets under a type class) that serve to reduce boilerplate:

- Semigroup.
  - When one wants to reduce two values down to one by ignoring the second value and taking the first value, one can use First
  - o Or vice versa (ignore first, take second), via Last
- Monoid
  - When one wants to use Semiring's add/+ and zero as the meaning of <> and mempty, one can use Additive.
  - When one wants to use Semiring's mul/\* and one as the meaning of <> and mempty, one can use Multiplicative
  - When one wants to use HeytingAlgebra's conj / && and tt as the meaning of
     and mempty, one can use Conj
  - When one wants to use HeytingAlgebra's disj/|| and ff as the meaning of
     and mempty, one can use Disj
  - When one wants to use Category's compose / <<< and identity as the meaning</li>

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of <> and mempty, one can use Endo

 When one wants to use Category's composeFlipped/>>> and identity as the meaning of <> and mempty, one can use Dual

For derived functions (if any), see the type classes' docs.

## **Overview**

There are type classes that control the flow of the program (e.g. whether the program should do X and then Y or should do X and Y at the same time).

# Functor, Apply, and Bind Type Classes Explained in Pictures

We've linked to an article below that explains these abstract notions in a clear manner using pictures and the Maybe a data structure. However, since these concepts are explained in Haskell, which uses different terminology than Purescript, use the following table to map Haskell terminology to Purescript terminology:

Haskell Terminology	Purescript Terminology
fmap (function)	map (function)
Applicative (type class)	Apply (type class)
Array/[] (syntax sugar for List a)	List a
map (Array function)	see the implementation in Purescript
10 ()	Effect Unit, which will be explained/used in a later part of this folder

Here's the link: Functors, Applicatives, and Monads in Pictures

#### **Lists' Map Function in Purescript**

Here's the map List function implemented in Purescript:

```
data List a = Nil | Cons a (List a)
instance Functor List where
  map :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> List a -> List b
  map f Nil = Nil
  map f (Cons head tail) = Cons (f head) (map f tail)
```

## Functor, Apply, Applicative, Bind, Monad

#### **In Short**

Concept	Argument is NOT inside a Box / context	Argument is inside a Box / context	Name
1-arg function application	function arg	function <\$> (Box arg)	Functor
2+-arg function application	function arg1 arg2	<pre>function &lt;\$&gt; (Box arg1) &lt;*&gt; (Box arg2)</pre>	Applicative
function composition	aToB >>> bToC	aToBoxB >=> bToBoxC	Monad

## **Somewhat longer**

These will be covered at a slower and clearer pace in the upcoming files. This is just an overview of them.

Typeclass	"Plain English"	Function	Infix	Laws	
Functor	Mappable	map :: forall a b. (a -> b) - > f a - > f b	<\$> (Left 4)	<ul> <li>identity: map         (\x -&gt; x) fa         == fa</li> <li>composition:         map (f &lt;&lt;&lt; g)         = map f &lt;&lt;&lt;         map g</li> </ul>	Ch va th cu st sc lik us fu
Apply	Boxed Mappable	apply :: forall a b. f (a -> b) -> f	<*> (Left 4)	<ul> <li>Associative composition:         (&lt;&lt;&lt;) &lt;\$&gt; f</li> <li>&lt;*&gt; g &lt;*&gt; h ==</li> <li>f &lt;*&gt; (g &lt;*&gt;</li> </ul>	Sa Fi ex fu no of

Typeclass	"Plain English"	Function	Infix	Laws	
		a -> f b		h)	bc
Applicative	Liftable ————————————————————————————————————	<pre>pure :: forall a. a -&gt; f a</pre>		<ul> <li>identity: (pure         (\x -&gt; x) &lt;*&gt;         v == v)</li> <li>composition:         pure (&lt;&lt;&lt;) &lt;*&gt;         f &lt;*&gt; g &lt;*&gt; h         == f &lt;*&gt; (g         &lt;*&gt; h)</li> <li>Homomorphism:         (pure f) &lt;*&gt;         (pure x) ==         pure (f x)</li> <li>interchange: u         &lt;*&gt; (pure y)         == (pure (_ \$         y)) &lt;*&gt; u</li> </ul>	Pu in — Ru pā
Bind	Sequential Computation	bind :: forall m a b. m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b	>>= (Left 1)	Associativity: (x >>= f) >>= g == x >>= (\x' -> f x' >>= g)	Gi va bc m cc va a ar ne th ne b Ta ar it >: pr

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Monad	FP Program			<ul> <li>Left Identity:     pure x &gt;&gt;= f =     f x</li> <li>Right Identity: x     &gt;&gt;= pure = x</li> <li>Applicative     Superclass:     apply = ap</li> </ul>	Th sti us FF by cc lir fu fu

## **Simplest Monad Implementation**

### **Function Reduction**

In these files, we will "evaluate" functions by using graph reductions: replacing the left-hand side (LHS) of the = sign (the function's call signature) with the right-hand side (RHS) of the = sign (the function's implementation / body). In other words...

```
someFunction arg1 arg2 arg3 = bodyOfFunction
| call signature (LHS) | = | body (RHS) |
```

## **Functor: Mappable**

### **Usage**

```
Change a value, `a`,
   that's currently stored in some box-like type, `f`,
into `b`
   using a function, `(a -> b)`.
```

#### **Definition**

See its docs: Functor

Put differently, Functor solves a specific problem. If I have a function of type  $(a \rightarrow b)$ , I cannot use that function on values of a if they are stored in a box-like type:

```
function :: Int -> String
function 0 = "0"
function _ = "1"

function 5 -- This works!
function (Box 5) -- compiler error! Oh noes!
```

One could also see map as "transforming" a function, so that it also operates on Box-like types. This is often described as "lifting" a function into a Box-like type:

```
map :: forall a b. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (Box a \rightarrow Box b)
map f = ((Box a) \rightarrow Box (f b))
```

#### **Laws**

#### Identity

```
Definition: (\x -> x) < \ fa == fa
 -- Start!
 (\a -> a) < >> (Box 4)
 -- De-infix "<$>" to map
 map (\a -> a) (Box 4)
 -- Replace map's "call signature" with its "body"
 Box ((\a -> a) 4)
 -- Apply argument by replacing '\a' with its argument '4'
 Box ((\4 -> 4))
 -- Keep only the body of function
             4) )
 -- Remove parenthesis and whitespace
 Box 4
 -- Check whether left-hand side (LHS) equals right-hand side (RHS)
 (Box 4) == (Box 4)
 -- Law met!
 true
```

#### **Composition**

```
(Remember, g <<< f means (\a \rightarrow g (f a)))

Definition: map (g <<< f) = (map g) <<< (map f)
```

```
-- # Reduce left side of the law #
-- Start!
map ((y \rightarrow y * 10) <<< (x \rightarrow x + 1)) (Box 4)
-- Remember that `f <<< g` means `(\a -> f (g a))`
-- Reduce the "<<<" into one function
map (\x -> 10 * (x + 1)) (Box 4)
-- Replace map's "call signature" with its "body"
Box ((\x -> 10 * (x + 1)) 4)
-- Apply argument by replacing '\x' with its argument '4'
Box ((\4 -> 10 * (4 + 1)))
-- Keep only the body of function
            10 * (4 + 1)) )
-- Reduce the body of function to its end result:
            10 * (5
                      ))
                          )
            10 * 5
Box ((
                       )
Box ((
            50
                        )
-- Remove parenthesis and whitespace
Box 50
-- # Reduce right side of the law #
-- Start!
(map (y \rightarrow y * 10)) \iff (map (x \rightarrow x + 1)) (Box 4)
-- Reduce "<<<" into one function
(\box4
         \rightarrow map (\y \rightarrow y * 10) ( map (\x \rightarrow x + 1) box4 ) ) (Box4)
-- Apply argument
(\Box 4) -> map (\y -> y * 10) ( map (\x -> x + 1) (Box 4)) )
-- Keep only the body of function
             map (y -> y * 10) ( map (x -> x + 1) (Box 4)) )
-- Replace 2nd map "call signature" with its "body"
             map (\y -> y * 10) (Box (\x -> x + 1) 4))
(
-- Apply the argument
             map (\y -> y * 10) (Box (\4 -> 4 + 1))
-- Keep only the body of the function
             map (y -> y * 10) (Box (
                                         4 + 1) ))
(
-- Calculate the function
             map (y -> y * 10) ( Box (
                                            5
                                                  ) ))
-- Remove unneeded parenthesis
             map (y -> y * 10)
                                              5
                                                        )
(
                                   Box
-- Remove unneeded whitespace
             map (y -> y * 10) Box 5
                                                        )
-- Replace map's "call signature" with its "body"
                                Box ((y -> y * 10) 5)
(
-- Apply the argument
                                Box ((\5 -> 5 * 10))
-- Keep only the function
                                 Box ((
                                            5 * 10) )
-- Calculate the function
                                 Box ((
                                                  ) ))
                                             50
-- Remove unneeded parenthesis
                                 Box
                                             50
```

```
-- Shift everything left
Box 50
-- Test if LHS equals RHS
(Box 50) == (Box 50)
-- Law met!
true
```

#### **Derived Functions**

See the docs above for their definitions and read through the source code:

- Ignore the a value and just replace it with
  - the value towards which the arrow points...

- **Note:** void is used heavily to make it work with the Discard type class in do notation.
- Flip the order of map's arguments (mapFlipped / <#>)
- Generalize flip, so that it works for all types (flap / <@>)

## **Apply**

## **Usage**

Shorter: Same as Functor, but the function is also in the box-like type, f.

Longer:

```
Change a value, `a`,
   that's currently stored in some box-like type, `f`,
   into `b`
   using a function, `(a -> b)`,
    that is also stored in the same box-like type, `f`.
```

#### **Definition**

See its docs: Apply

Put differently, Apply solves a problem that occurs when using Functor . If I have a function of type  $(a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c)$ , I can use Functor 's map / <\$> to lift that function into a Box-like type as before....

```
mapResult :: Box (Int -> Int)
mapResult = map (\first second -> first + second) (Box 1)
```

However, the resulting value stored in that Box-like type is a function. In other words, mapResult == Box (\second -> 1 + second). Functor 'S map only works if the function takes only one argument. If it takes 2+ arguments, map will return a function stored in a Box.

This is where Apply comes to the rescue. We can continue to apply boxed arguments to that function until we eventually get a Box with a value in it:

```
finalResult :: Box Int
finalResult =
  apply mapResult (Box 2) {-
    ...which is the same as...
  Box ((\second -> 1 + second) 2)
  Box ((\2 -> 1 + 2 ) )
  Box (( 3 ) )
  Box 3 --}
```

Thus, map lifts functions that take n-many arguments into a Box-like type, and Apply 's apply / <\*> continues to pass n-1-many boxed arguments into that function until the function executes.

#### Laws

#### **Associative Composition**

```
Definition: (<<<) <$> f <*> g <*> h == f <*> (g <*> h)
```

TODO: prove the above law using Box (a lot of work, so ignoring for now...)

#### **Derived Functions**

• Do two computations, but only return...

```
the first: applyFirst / <*</li>the second: applySecond / *>
```

liftN is explained below:

#### **LiftN Notation**

```
Let's rename that Functor 's map function to lift1:
```

```
{-
map (\oneArg -> doStuffWith oneArg) (Box 4) -}
lift1 (\oneArg -> doStuffWith oneArg) (Box 4)
```

This function can only take one arg. What if want to take two args? We should call it lift2:

```
lift2 (\arg1 arg2 -> andThen (doStuffWith arg1) arg2) (Box 4) (Box 4)
```

That works, but we could also write it:

```
(\arg1 arg2 -> andThen (doStuffWith arg1) arg2) <$> (Box 4) <*> (Box 4)
```

Using meta-language

```
function_NotInBox_takes_n_args <$> boxedArg1 <*> boxedArg2 -- <*> boxedArgN ...
```

## **Applicative**

### **Usage**

- Lift any value/function/etc. into a box-like type, f
- Parallel Computation: Do all three simultaneously: X, Y, and Z.

(**Note:** Javascript is currently single-threaded, so this isn't entirely true. If it gets multi-thread support, that will change.)

#### **Definition**

See its docs: Applicative

#### **Laws**

#### Identity

```
Definition: (pure (\xspace x -> x) <*> \xspace v == v)
```

```
-- Start: 'v' == (Box 4)
(pure (\x -> x)) <*> (Box 4)
-- Replace pure call signature with body
(Box (\x -> x)) <*> (Box 4)
-- De-infix <*> to apply
apply (Box (x \rightarrow x)) (Box 4)
-- Replace apply call signature with body
Box (\x -> x) 4)
-- Apply argument by replacing all 'x' with '4'
Box (\4 -> 4)
-- Keep body of function
Box ( 4) )
-- Remove whitespace and parenthesis
Box 4
-- Check law
(Box 4) == (Box 4)
-- Law met!
true
```

#### Composition

```
Definition: pure (<<) <*> f <*> g <*> h == f <*> (g <*> h)
```

TODO: prove the above law using Box (a lot of work, so ignoring for now...)

#### Homomorphism

```
Definition: (pure f) <*> (pure x) == pure (f x)
```

TODO: prove the above law using Box (a lot of work, so ignoring for now...)

#### Interchange

```
Definition: u \leftrightarrow (pure y) == (pure (_ $ y)) \leftrightarrow u
```

TODO: prove the above law using Box (a lot of work, so ignoring for now...)

### **Derived Functions**

• Define an instance of Apply and Applicative and you get a Functor implementation

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for free!: liftA1

• Do a computation...

o if some condition is true: when

o if some condition is false: unless

Note: when / unless is strict. For a lazy version, see purescript-call-by-name

## **Bind**

## **Usage**

#### Short:

Sequential Computation: do X, and once finished do Y, and once finished do Z

#### Long:

- 1. Given a value, a, that is stored in a box-like type, m
- 2. Extract the a from the box, m
- 3. Pass it into a function, (a -> m b)
  - o The function uses the value a to compute a new value, ь.
  - The function wraps the new value b into the same box-like type, m.
  - o The function returns a box, m, that stores the new value, ь.
- 4. Refer to the b value as a and repeat Steps 1-3 until we run out of functions
- 5. The last function returns the final b value that is stored in the same box-like type, m.

#### **Definition**

See its docs: Bind

Below, we'll show two instances for Bind:

- 1. A flipped version of bind that shows how it relates to Functor and Apply
- 2. The correct version:

```
-- in real definition, 'f' (functor) is really 'm' (monad)
class (Appy f) <= Bind f where</pre>
  bind :: forall a b. f a -> (a -> f b) -> f b
infixl 1 bind as >>=
data Box a = Box a
instance Functor Box where
 map :: forall a b.
                             (a ->
                                     b) -> Box a -> Box b
 map
                              f
                                            (Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Apply Box where
                        Box (a ->
  apply :: forall a b.
                                      b) -> Box a -> Box b
  apply
                        (Box f
                                       (Box a) = Box (f a)
-- Wrong: Flipped order of two args!
instance Bind_ Box where
  bindFlipped :: forall a b. (a -> Box b) -> Box a -> Box b
  bindFlipped
                              f
                                            (Box a) = f a
-- Correct order of args
instance Bind Box where
  bind :: forall a b. Box a -> (a -> Box b) -> Box b
  bind
                      (Box a) f
```

bind 's type signature is weird. How did we ever come up with that? To understand it (and understand why we have the below 'derived functions'), watch Category Theory 10.1:

Monads and refer to the code below for help in understanding it:

```
-- >=> the "fish operator" is
-- called "composeKleisli"
infix composeKleisli 6 >=>
-- see "(a -> m b)" as the definition
-- of `pure` from the `Applicative` type class.
composeKleisli :: forall m a b c. Functor f => (a -> m b) -> (b -> m c) -> (a -
> m c)
composeKleisli f g =
  \a ->
   let mb = f a
   in (bind mb g)
 where
    bind :: m b -> (b -> m c) -> m c
    bind functor function = join (map function functor)
    join :: m (m a) -> m a
    join = -- implementation
```

#### Laws

#### **Associativity**

(This law enables "do notation", which we'll explain soon.)

```
Definition: (x >>= f) >>= g == x >>= (\x' -> f x' >>= g)
```

TODO: prove the above law using Box (a lot of work, so ignoring for now...)

### **Derived Functions**

• If you have nested boxes and need to remove the outer one (join):

```
○ join (Box (Box a)) == Box a
```

- Make chained multiple aToMB functions easier to read...
  - o going forwards ( composeKleisli / >=> ):
    - ma >=> aToMB >=> bToMC >=> ...
  - o going backwards ( composeKleisliFlipped / <=< ):</pre>
    - ... <=< bToMC <=< aToMB <=< ma
- if computeCondition then truePathComputation else falsePathComputation (ifM)
- If you want bind / >>= to go in the opposite direction (bindFlipped / =<< ):</li>
  - ma >>= aToMB == aToMB =<< ma</p>

## **Monad**

### **Usage**

Monad = Sequential Computation (Bind) + Lift a Value/Function into Box-like Type (Applicative)

#### **Definition**

```
See its docs: Monad
```

```
class (Applicative m, Bind m) <= Monad m

data Box a = Box a

instance Functor Box where
   map :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
   map f (Box a) = Box (f a)

instance Apply Box where
   apply :: forall a b. Box (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
   apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)

instance Bind Box where
   bind :: forall a b. Box a -> (a -> Box b) -> Box b
   bind (Box a) f = f a

instance Applicative Box where
   pure :: forall a. a -> Box a
   pure a = Box a

instance Monad Box
```

## Laws

#### **Unofficial**

Taken from this slide in this YouTube video, here's an "unofficial" but clearer way to understand the laws for Monad by comparing them to a Function:

```
-- Recall: `identity a == (\x -> x) a`
-- Given a function whose type signature is...
(>=>) :: Monad m => (a -> m b) -> (b -> m c) -> a -> m c
(aToMB >=> bToMC) a = (aToMB a) >>= (\b -> bToMC b)
-- ... Monad could be defined by these laws:
-- 1a. Function's identity law
(function >>> identity) a == function a
        >=> pure
                  == aToMB
-- 1b. its inverse
pure >=> f
                    == f
-- 2. Function Composition
f >>> (g >>> h) == (f >>> g) >>> h
f >=> (g >=> h) == (f >=> g) >=> h
```

#### **Official**

#### Identity

```
Definition (left): pure x >>= f = f x

-- start
pure x >>= f
-- replace call signature with body
(Box x) >>= f
-- de-infix `>>=` to `bind`
bind (Box x) f
-- replace call signature with body
f x
-- check LHS with RHS
f x == f x
-- Law met!
true
```

#### **Applicative Superclass**

Definition (right):  $x \gg pure = x$ 

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Definition: apply = ap (where ap is a derived function)

## **Derived Functions**

- Define an instance of Applicative, Bind, and Monad and...
  - ∘ you get a Functor implementation for free!: liftM1
  - ∘ you get an Apply implementation for free!: ap
- Do a computation...
  - o if some condition is true: whenM
  - o if some condition is false: unlessM

## **How the Computer Executes FP Programs**

Or "What does sequential computation look like using Monads"

Below, we'll be defining a long chain of nested functions. Since functions usually place their argument on the right of the body like this...

This will help the upcoming examples be much clearer and more understandable.

Using this type and its instance...

```
instance Functor Box where
  map :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
  map f (Box a) = Box (f a)

instance Apply Box where
  apply :: forall a b. Box (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
  apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)

instance Bind Box where
  bind :: forall a b. Box a -> (a -> Box b) -> Box b
  bind (Box a) f = f a

instance Applicative Box where
  pure :: forall a. a -> Box a
  pure a = Box a
```

... we will translate the Javascript "program" below...

```
const four = 4
const five = 1 + four
const five_string = toString(five); // or whatever the function called
print(five_string); // print the String to the console, which returns nothing
```

... into its corresponding Purescript "program" (next).

In the following snippet of code, you will need to scroll to the right, so that the a previous reduction aligns with the next reduction. **Note: Read through this and practice writing it out multiple times until you get sick of it as this is at the heart of FP programming!**Failure to understand this == Failure to write FP code. Here's the code:

```
unsafePerformEffect :: forall a. Box a -> a
unsafePerformEffect (Box a) = a
-- Compute what the final Box value is in `main`
-- and then call `unsafePerformEffect` on the final Box
runProgram :: Unit
runProgram = unsafePerformEffect main
main :: Box Unit
main =
  (Box 4) >= (four -> Box (1 + four) >= (five -> Box (show five) >=
(\five_string -> print five_string)))
-- Step 1: De-infix the first '>>=' alias back to bind
  bind (Box 4) (\four \rightarrow Box (1 + four) >>= (\five \rightarrow Box (show five) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string)))
-- Step 2: Look up Box's bind implementation...
    ...and replace the left-hand side with the right-hand side
            4 # (\four -> Box (1 + four) >>= (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string)))
            -- Step 3: Apply the arg to the function (i.e. replace "four" with
4)
                (\4
                       -> Box (1 + 4 ) >>= (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string)))
                -- Step 4: Reduce the function to its body
                                      ) >>= (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
                          Box (1 + 4)
(\five_string -> print five_string))
                          -- Step 5: Reduce the argument in "Box (1 + 4)" to
"Box 5"
                                       ) >>= (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
                          Box (5
(\five_string -> print five_string))
                          -- Step 6: Remove the parenthesis
                                         >>= (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
                          Box 5
(\five_string -> print five_string))
                          -- Step 7: Remove the extra whitespace and push right
                                   Box 5 >>= (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string))
                                   -- Step 8: Repeat Steps 1-7 for the next
">>="
                                   bind (Box 5) (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string))
                                             5 # (\five -> Box (show five) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string))
```

```
(\5
                                                         -> Box (show 5 ) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string))
                                                            Box (show 5
                                                                          ) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string)
                                                            Box ("5"
                                                                          ) >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string)
                                                            Box "5"
                                                                            >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string)
                                                                    Box "5" >>=
(\five_string -> print five_string)
                                                                    -- Step 8:
Repeat Steps 1-6 for the next ">>="
                                                                    bind (Box
"5") (\five_string -> print five_string)
"5" # (\five_string -> print five_string)
(\"5"
              -> print "5")
print "5"
                                                                   -- Step 9:
Look up `print`'s definition
                                                                        print ::
forall a. a -> Box Unit
                                                                        print a
Assume that 'a' is printed to the console
                                                                           Box
unit
                                                                   -- ... and
replace the LHS with RHS
Box unit
                                                                   -- Step 10a:
Shift everything to the left again
-- 10b) ... and re-expose the 'main' function:
main :: Unit
main = Box unit -- after all the earlier computations...
```

```
-- Step 12: call `unsafePerformEffect` to get the final Box's value
runProgram :: Unit
runProgram = unsafePerformEffect (Box unit)
-- becomes
runProgram :: Unit
runProgram = unit
```

Now go read the code snippet above again and write it out!

#### **Do and Ado Notation**

At this point, you should look back at the Syntax/Prelude-Syntax folder and read through its files. Feel free to ignore the Qualified Do/Ado Explained file and those that follow.

Once finished, read the next file.

## **Useful Monads**

**Note:** This file's contents assumes you have read through and are somewhat familiar with the contents of the file, Syntax/Prelude Syntax/Reading Do as Nested Binds.md.

So far, we have only shown you the Box monad to help you get used to the syntax and see the logic for how Monad and bind / >>= works. (The Box type is a learner-friendly name for the Identity monad, which we'll cover later in the Application Structure folder.)

However, Monads are used to compose two or more computations that occur within the same context (where context refers to the monadic type being used). Whereas the monadic type, Box / Identity, only has one possible value, the below types have two possible values. Functions that produce two possible outputs don't typically compose. However, the Monad type class enables us to compose them using "railway-oriented programming" (~Scott Wlaschin).

When we compose different monadic types, we get different control flows. The do notation helps us avoid the Pyramid of Doom boilerplate code and emphasizes developer intent.

## The Maybe Monad

#### **JavaScript Code**

In JavaScript, we might write this code:

```
let a = computation();
if (a == null) {
    return null;
} else {
    let b = compute1(a);
    if (b == null) {
        return null;
    } else {
        let c = compute2(b);
        if (c == null) {
            return null;
        } else {
            return compute3(c);
        }
    }
}
```

#### **PureScript Code (non-idiomatic)**

In PureScript, we *could* write the following **non-idiomatic** code that repeats this Pyramid of Doom:

```
data Maybe a
  = Nothing
  | Just a
someComputation :: Maybe Unit
someComputation =
  case computation of
    Nothing -> Nothing
    Just a -> case compute1 a of
      Nothing -> Nothing
      Just b -> case compute2 b of
        Nothing -> Nothing
        Just c -> compute3 c
  where
    computation :: Maybe a
    compute1 :: a -> Maybe b
    compute2 :: b -> Maybe c
    compute3 :: c -> Maybe Unit
```

#### **PureScript Code (idiomatic)**

Or, we could use Maybe's Monad instance via do notation to write **idiomatic** PureScript code:

```
data Maybe a
  = Nothing
  | Just a
instance Bind Maybe where
  bind :: forall a b. Maybe a -> (a -> Maybe b) -> Maybe b
  -- when given a Nothing, stop all possible future computations
  -- and return immediately.
  bind Nothing _ = Nothing
  -- when given a Just, run the function on its contents
  -- and continue any Monadic computations
  bind (Just a) f = f a
someComputation :: Maybe ReturnValue
someComputation = do
  a <- computation
  b <- compute1 a
  c <- compute2 b
  compute3 c
  where
    computation :: Maybe a
    compute1 :: a -> Maybe b
    compute2 :: b -> Maybe c
    compute3 :: c -> Maybe Unit
```

If a Nothing value is given at any point in the nested-bind computations, it will short-circuit and return immediately.

What is a real-world example of using the Maybe monad? One often writes monadic code using Maybe as the Monad to lookup values in some structure (e.g. Map, Array, List, or Tree). Often, this control flow reads like this: "Try to get value X. If it exists, try to get value Y. If that exists, do something with both. If either one of them does not exist, stop and return immediately." In other words...

```
example :: Maybe String
example = do
  x <- index 4 array
  y <- lookup "fooKey" map
  pure (x + y)</pre>
```

#### The Either Monad

#### **JavaScript Code**

In JavaScript, we might write this code:

```
let a = computation();
if (isError(a)) {
 return a;
} else {
  let b = compute1(a);
  if (isError(b)) {
    retun b;
  } else {
    let c = compute2(b);
    if (isError(c)) {
      return c;
    } else {
      return compute3(c);
    }
  }
}
```

#### **PureScript Code (non-idiomatic)**

```
data Either a b
 = Left a
  | Right b
someComputation :: Either ErrorType ReturnValue
someComputation = do
  case computation of
    Left err -> Left err
    Right a -> case compute1 a of
      Left err -> Left err
      Right b -> case compute2 b of
        Left err -> Left err
        Right c -> compute3 c
  where
    computation :: Either ErrorType a
    compute1 :: a -> Either ErrorType b
    compute2 :: b -> Either ErrorType c
    compute3 :: c -> Either ErrorType Unit
```

#### PureScript Code (idiomatic)

Or, we could use Either's Monad instance via do notation to write **idiomatic** PureScript code:

```
data Either a b
 = Left a
  | Right b
instance Bind (Either a) where
  bind :: forall b c. Either a b -> (b -> Either a c) -> Either a c
  -- when given a Left, stop all possible future computations
  -- and return immediately.
  bind l@(Left_) = l
  -- when given a Right, run the function on its contents
  -- and continue any Monadic computations
  bind (Right a) f = f a
someComputation :: Either ErrorType ReturnValue
someComputation = do
  a <- computation
  b <- compute1 a
  c <- compute2 b
  compute3 c
```

If a Left value is given at any point in the nested-bind computations, it will short-circuit and return immediately.

What is a real-world example of using the Either monad? One often uses it to validate that some data is correct. It reads like, "Try to parse the given String into an Int. If it fails, stop. Otherwise, try to parse the given String into a Foo. If it fails, stop. Otherwise, take the Int and the Foo and do something with them."

```
example :: String -> Either String ValidatedData
example string = do
  intValue <- parseString string
  fooValue <- parseNextPart
  doSomethingWith intValue fooValue</pre>
```

### The List / Array Monad

We use the List type below in our examples. However, the Array type works exactly the same way.

## JavaScript Code

In JavaScript, we might write this code:

```
let list1 = [1, 2, 3];
let list2 = [2, 3, 4];
let list3 = [3, 4, 5];
var finalList = [];

for (i of list1) {
    for (h of list2) {
       for (j of list3) {
          finalList.push(i + h + j);
       }
    }
}
return finalList;
```

## **PureScript Code (idiomatic)**

The non-idiomatic version of the PureScript code below is complicated because it uses a lot of recusion. Thus, I do not show it here. Rather, we'll only show the idiomatic version:

```
data List a
  = Nil
  | Cons a (List a)
-- bind implementation not shown here
instance Bind List where
  bind :: forall a b. List a -> (a -> List b) -> List b
  -- when given a Nil (end of list), stop all potential future computations and
return immediately.
  bind Nil _ = Nil
  -- when given a non-empty list, run the future computations on the head
  -- and then prepend it to the rest of the computations on the tail.
  bind (head : tail) f = append (f head) (bind tail f)
append :: List x -> List x -> List x
append =
  -- implementation not shown here, but the result will be
  -- append (1 : 2 : Nil) (3 : 4 : Nil) == (1 : 2 : 3 : 4 : Nil)
someComputation :: List Int
someComputation = do
  a \leftarrow (1 : 2 : 3 : Nil)
  b \leftarrow (2 : 3 : 4 : Nil)
  c \leftarrow (3 : 4 : 5 : Nil)
  pure (a + b + c)
```

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which outputs:

```
-- a = 1, b = 2
(6:7:8)
-- a = 1, b = 3
: 7 : 8 : 9
-- a = 1, b = 4
: 8 : 9 : 10
-- a = 2, b = 2
: 7 : 8 : 9
-- a = 2, b = 3
: 8 : 9 : 10
-- a = 2, b = 4
: 9 : 10 : 11
-- a = 3, b = 2
: 8 : 9 : 10
-- a = 3, b = 3
: 9 : 10 : 11
-- a = 3, b = 4
: 10 : 11 : 12
: Nil)
```

## **Concluding Thoughts**

Different monadic types lead to different control flow statements. We've only shown a few here.

We will see more control flow options in the Application Structure folder, but there's more ground-work to cover before it'll make sense.

## **Monoids Reconsidered**

The below table is a summarized version of something cvlad explained:

When we want to compose	and we don't need "empty" value, we use	and we do need "empty" value, we use
two values of same type	Semigroup	Monoid
two values of different types where the second value DOES NOT have a runtime dependency on the first value	Apply	Applicative
two values of different types where the second value DOES have a runtime dependency on the first value	Bind	Monad

What was @cvlad explaining? The meaning to this famous quote (in category theory terms):

A Monad is just a Monoid in the category of Endofunctors

To understand the quote more, see this link's 2-minute concise summary, which was also provided by cvlad: https://twitter.com/kenscambler/status/955441793465696257

### **One Monadic Type Per Monadic Context**

Before we can continue further, we must understand one of the implications of the bind function.

#### **Defining the Problem**

Let's look at the type signature for the bind function.

```
class Apply boxLike <= Bind boxLike where
bind :: forall a b. boxLike a -> (a -> boxLike b) -> boxLike b
```

If we ignore the (a -> boxLike b) argument, we can summarize it like this:

If you give me a "box-like" type, I will output the **same** "box-like" type.

In other words, once we use bind in a given computation (e.g. do notation), we restrict all usages of bind within that same computation to the same "box-like" type we originally passed in. This restriction is a good thing. There are ways to workaround the limitation. We'll cover one workaround below, but the other workarounds will be covered in the Application Structure folder.

Throughout this work, we will refer to this restriction as the "bind outputs the same box-like type it receives" restriction.

For now, let's provide an example of this problem.

#### **Example of the Problem**

Let's say we have two Box types. They differ only in their name. Each implements the Functor, Apply, and Bind instances in the exact same way. Below, we will only show the Bind instance, but assume they have implemented the other type classes:

Recall that do notation desugars into multiple bind calls:

```
example :: Box1 int
example = do
    u <- Box unit
    five <- Box 5
    pure (five + 1)

-- desugars to
example =
    bind (Box unit) \u ->
        bind (Box 5) \five ->
        pure (five + 1)
```

The below Box1 computation compiles fine.

```
box1Computation :: Box1 Unit
box1Computation = Box1 unit
```

The below Box2 computation compiles fine:

```
box2Computation :: Box2 Unit
box2Computation = Box2 unit
```

If I write the following code, which (if any) will compile?

```
box1ThenBox2 :: Box2 Unit
box1ThenBox2 = do
   box1Computation
   box2Computation

box2ThenBox1 :: Box1 Unit
box2ThenBox1 = do
   box2Computation
   box1Computation
```

Neither will compile. In box1ThenBox2, the first computation is box1Computation. Thus, this computation should eventually output a value of the Box1 someOutput type. However, we attempt to run a computation that uses a different monad (i.e. Box2) within the Box1 monadic context. Since Box2 isn't Box1, we get a compiler error. This same error occurs when you attempt to compile box2ThenBox1.

#### The First Workaround: Lifting One Monad into Another

Sometimes, this restriction actually helps us write safer code. Other times, this restriction is problematic and we need to get around it.

To help develop the necessary foundation for later understanding, we'll show a general approach to workaround this restriction. We use a type class that follows this idea:

This enables something like the following. It can be pasted into the REPL and one can try it out by calling bindAttempt:

```
import Prelude -- for the (+) and (~>) function aliases
data Box1 a = Box1 a
data Box2 a = Box2 a
class LiftSourceIntoTargetMonad sourceMonad targetMonad where
{-
 liftSourceMonad :: forall a. sourceMonad a -> targetMonad a
-}
 liftSourceMonad ::
                                sourceMonad ~> targetMonad
instance LiftSourceIntoTargetMonad Box2 Box1 where
  liftSourceMonad :: Box2 ~> Box1
 liftSourceMonad (Box2 a) = Box1 a
bindAttempt :: Box1 Int
bindAttempt = do
  four <- Box1 4
  six <- liftSourceMonad $ Box2 6</pre>
  pure $ four + six
-- type class instances for Monad hierarchy
instance Functor Box1 where
 map :: forall a b. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Box1 \ a \rightarrow Box1 \ b
 map f(Box1 a) = Box1 (f a)
instance Apply Box1 where
  apply :: forall a b. Box1 (a -> b) -> Box1 a -> Box1 b
  apply (Box1 f) (Box1 a) = Box1 (f a)
instance Bind Box1 where
  bind :: forall a b. Box1 a -> (a -> Box1 b) -> Box1 b
  bind (Box1 a) f = f a
instance Applicative Box1 where
  pure :: forall a. a -> Box1 a
  pure a = Box1 a
instance Monad Box1
-- Needed to print the result to the console in the REPL session
instance (Show a) => Show (Box1 a) where
  show (Box1 a) = show a
```

### **Appendable: Numeric Hierarchy**

After Semigroup and Monoid, the rest of PureScript's Numeric type classes (e.g. Semiring, Ring, etc.) and all the mathematical notations they use are very clearly explained elsewhere in hdgarrood's Numeric Hierarchy Overview.

Once one finishes reading it, be sure to check out his full-screen cheatsheet and his overview of PureScript's numeric types

Another resource that might be helpful is A Brief Guide to A Few Algebraic Data Structures. However, this is more of a reference material than a tutorial like Harry's above overview.

#### **Docs**

- Semigring
- Ring
- CommutativeRing
- EuclideanRing
- DivisionRing
- Field

For derived functions (if any), see the type classes' docs.

#### **Effect and Aff**

This folder accomplishes the following goals:

- An explanation of what "native side-effects" are and how this is modeled via Effect.
- A demonstration of how to write the infamous "Hello World" app in Purescript
- A demonstration of the various Effect types out there and their usage.
- An overview of Aff and how to use some of its API.
- An explanation and example of using the first workaround to the "bind outputs the same box-like type it receives" restriction.
- A how-to guide for dealing with "callback hell" via Aff and using Node.ReadLine as an example.

These examples are compilable, enabling the reader to do two things.

#### **REPL**

First, one can interact with the code in this folder by using the REPL via the command, spago repl. Once initialized, one can import a module into the REPL and play with the code from there (e.g. run main).

For example, one might input the following command sequence:

```
spago repl
import HelloWorld
main
```

Note: some of the code in this folder will not work properly when used with the REPL. When it doesn't, use the second approach below.

#### **Compilation**

Second, one can compile the examples into their resulting JavaScript files. One can view just the module (i.e. the JavaScript code generated from a single PS file) or the entire program as an executable file (i.e. the JavaScript code generated from a call to file's main function). The latter can be run using Node:

	Single Module	Entire Program
Command	<pre>spago make-modulemain [moduleName]to dist/ module.js</pre>	<pre>spago bundle-appmain [moduleName]to dist/ app.js</pre>
Javascript files' location	dist/module.js	dist/app.js

#### **Effect Folder**

To run each program in the Effect folder, use these commands:

```
# Syntax
# spago run --main Module.Path.To.Main.Module

spago run --main HelloWorld
spago run --main HelloNumber
spago run --main HelloDoNotation
spago run --main RandomNumber
spago run --main CurrentDateAndTime
spago run --main TimeoutAndInterval
spago run --main MutableState.Global
spago run --main MutableState.Local
```

#### **Aff Folder**

To run each program in the Aff folder, use these commands:

```
spago run -m AffBasics.LaunchAff
spago run -m AffBasics.Delay
spago run -m AffBasics.ForkJoin
spago run -m AffBasics.SuspendJoin
spago run -m AffBasics.CachedJoin
spago run -m AffBasics.SwitchingContexts
spago run -m TimeoutAndInterval.Aff
```

The following examples must be compiled first and then run by node:

```
spago bundle-app -m ConsoleLessons.ReadLine.Effect -t dist/readline-effect.js
&& node dist/readline-effect.js
spago bundle-app -m ConsoleLessons.ReadLine.Aff -t dist/readline-aff.js && node
dist/readline-aff.js
```

#### The Effect Monad

(The following section is copied from here and slightly edited. I would add the license for that here, but it's not listed. Since the documentation is supposed to be public anyways, I doubt this is an issue.)

When we talk about side-effects, we are referring to two possible meanings. The first are "non-native" side-effects that we can emulate using pure functions (e.g. state manipulation on immutable data structures, returning additional output from a computation, etc.). The second are "native side-effects", which are effects provided by the RunTime System (RTS) and which can't be emulated by pure functions.

Some examples of native effects are:

- Shared
  - Random number generation
  - Exceptions
  - Rendering content to the screen
- Node only:
  - User input via the terminal
  - Interacting with the File System
- Browser only:
  - DOM manipulation
  - XMLHttpRequest / AJAX calls
  - Interacting with a websocket
  - Interacting with Cookies

PureScript's purescript-effect package defines a monad called Effect, which is used to handle native effects. The goal of the Effect monad is to provide a typed API for effectful computations, while at the same time generating efficient Javascript.

(The remainder of this article is my own work.)

#### **Understanding the Effect Monad**

The following code is not necessarily how Effect is implemented, but it does help one quickly understand it by analogy:

```
data Unit = Unit
unit :: Unit
unit = Unit

-- | A computation that will only be run when passed in a `unit`
type PendingComputation a = (Unit -> a)

-- | A data structure that stores a pending computation.
data Effect a = Box (PendingComputation a)

-- | This unwraps the data structure to get the
-- | pending computation, uses it to compute a value,
-- | and returns its result.
unsafePerformEffect :: Effect a -> a
unsafePerformEffect (Box pendingComputation) = pendingComputation unit
```

Some readers may realize that this is similar to the idea we introduced back in ROOT\_FOLDER/Hello-World/Prelude/Control-Flow--Functor-to-Monad.md when we showed how an FP program does sequential computation using Monads. If you replace Box from that example with Effect, you would have a working FP program.

The whole idea of Effect is to use unsafePerformEffect as little as possible and ideally only once as the program's main entry point, explained next.

#### **Main: A Program's Entry Point**

The entry point into each program written in Purescript is the main function. It's type signature must be: main :: Effect Unit.

The following explanation is not what happens in practice, but understanding it this way will help one understand the concepts it represents:

When one executes the command <code>spago bundle-app</code>, one could say that, conceptually, <code>spago will compile unsafePerformEffect main</code> into Javascript and the resulting Javascript is what gets run by the RunTime System (RTS) when the program is executed.

In other words, spago "creates" a function called runProgram and tells the RunTime System (RTS) to execute it

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```
runProgram :: Unit
runProgram = unsafePerformEffect main
```

This limits our impure code as much as possible to the program's start. Hopefully, everything else in our code is pure.

However, one might still call unsafePerformEffect in otherwise pure code in situations where they know what they are doing. In other words, they know the pros & cons, costs & benefits of doing so, and are willing to pay for those costs to achieve their benefits.

### 02-Hello-World.purs

```
-- This is the infamous "Hello World" app in Purescript.

module HelloWorld where

import Prelude -- imports Unit

-- new imports
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log) -- log :: String -> Effect Unit

-- | Describes but does not run a computation until RTS "calls
unsafePerformEffect".

-- | The type signature of `log` is `String -> Effect Unit`. Thus, by applying

-- | a value of type `String` as an argument to `log`,

-- | `log "Hello World!" has the type signature `Effect Unit`.

-- | Thus, it can be used as a main entry point into a program.

main :: Effect Unit
main = log "Hello world!"
```

### 03-Hello-Number.purs

```
module HelloNumber where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
-- new imports
-- logShow :: forall a. Show a => a -> Effect Unit
-- logShow arg = log $ show arg
import Effect.Console (logShow)

main :: Effect Unit
main = logShow 5
```

### 04-Hello-Do-Notation.purs

```
module HelloDoNotation where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
-- A refresher on 'do-notation'
-- This chain of functions via log
main' :: Effect Unit
main' = (log "This is outputted first") >>= (\_ ->
          (log "This is outputted second") >>= (\_ ->
            log "This is outputted third"
          )
        )
-- can become more readable using sugar syntax (do-notation):
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log "This is outputted first"
  log "This is outputted second"
  log "This is outputted third"
```

### 01-Random-Number.purs

```
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
-- new import
import Effect.Random (random)
-- random :: Effect Number

main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    n <- random
    log $ "A random number between 0.0 and 1.0: " <> show n

-- The above two lines could also be combined into one
-- if we resort to using bind-notation again:
    random >>= (\n2 -> log $ "Another random number: " <> show n2)

-- The above line still works because `log` returns `Effect Unit`
```

### 02-Current-Date-and-Time.purs

```
module CurrentDateAndTime where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log, logShow)
-- new import
import Effect.Now as Now
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  dateAndTime <- Now.nowDateTime</pre>
  logShow dateAndTime
  log "----"
  -- To reduce the above to one line, we'll combine the two using bind-
  -- Since `logShow` has the type signature `Effect Unit`, the do-notation
  -- still works.
  Now.nowDate >= (\x -> logShow x)
  Now.nowTime >= (\x -> logShow x)
  -- We could make the above even shorter by removing the 'x' argument
  Now.nowDate >>= logShow
  Now.nowTime >>= logShow
```

### 03-Timeout-and-Interval.purs

```
module TimeoutAndInterval where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
-- new import
import Effect.Timer as T
-- Unfortunately, the code below won't work as expected because
-- the callbacks never run. Not enough time passes before they get triggered.
-- We'll see how to fix this using the `Aff` monad later in this folder.
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  timeoutID <- T.setTimeout 1000 (log "This will run after 1 second")</pre>
  intervalID <- T.setInterval 10 (log "Interval ran!")</pre>
  log "Doing some other things...."
  log (evaluate 10 20)
  log "... Finished."
  log "Now cancelling interval"
  T.clearInterval intervalID
  log "Now cancelling timeout"
  T.clearTimeout timeoutID
  log "Program is done!"
evaluate :: Int -> Int -> String
evaluate x y \mid x < y = show x <> " is less than " <> show y
             | x > y = show x <> " is greater than " <> show y
             | otherwise = show x <> " is equal to " <> show y
```

### **Mutable State: Global vs Local**

There are two types of mutable state:

	Global	Local
Creatable in	Anywhere	Local scope
Readable from	Anywhere that has its reference	Local Scope
Writable to	Anywhere that has its reference	Local Scope
Destroyed when	Program Exits?	Exit Local Scope

Using JavaScript as an example...

```
var global_state = "some state";
var doStuffUsingLocalState() = {
  var local_state = "some value";
  local_state = local_state + "some other string";
  return local_state.length();
var example1() {
  // change global state
  global_state = "first change!";
 // localState changed during the execution of the below
 // function, but we can't change it outside of that function.
 doStuffUsingLocalState();
}
example1();
var example2() {
  global_state = "second change!";
  return;
example2();
```

### 01-Global.purs

```
module MutableState.Global where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
-- new import
import Effect.Ref as Ref
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  box <- Ref.new 0
  x0 <- Ref.read box
  log $ "x0 should be 0: " <> show x0
  Ref.write 5 box
  Ref.read box >= (\x1 -> \log \x1 \x1 \x1 \x1 \x1 \x1 \x1)
  Ref.modify_ (\oldState -> oldState + 1) box
  x2 <- Ref.read box
  log $ "x2 should be 6: " <> show x2
  newState <- Ref.modify (\oldState -> oldState + 1) box
  x3 <- Ref.read box
  log $ "x3 should be 7: " <> show x3 <> " | newState should be 7: " <> show
newState
  value <- Ref.modify' (\oldState -> { state: oldState * 10, value: 30 }) box
  x4 <- Ref.read box
  log $ "value should be 30: " <> show value
  log $ "x4 should be 70: " <> show x4
 let loop 0 = Ref.read box
      loop n = do
        _ <- Ref.modify (_ + 1) box</pre>
        loop (n - 1)
  _ <- loop <mark>20</mark>
  log "Finished"
```

## **02-Local.purs**

```
module MutableState.Local where
import Prelude
import Control.Monad.ST as ST
import Control.Monad.ST.Ref as STRef
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
 log "We will run some modifications on some local state \
      \and then try to modify it out of scope."
  let result = ST.run do
        {-
        At this level of indentation, we are in the ST monadic context.
        Since `log` returns an `Effect a`, we can't use it here.
        At this point in our understanding, we don't currently have a way
        to print the values of the local state to the console.
        We'll explain why this is a good thing later on in the `Debugging`
folder.
        -}
        box <- STRef.new 0
        x0 <- STRef.read box
        _ <- STRef.write 5 box</pre>
        x1 <- STRef.read box
        newState <- STRef.modify (\oldState -> oldState + 1) box
        x3 <- STRef.read box
        value <- STRef.modify' (\oldState -> { state: oldState * 10, value: 30
}) box
        x4 <- STRef.read box
        let loop 0 = STRef.read box
            loop n = do
              _{-} <- STRef.modify (_{-} + _{1}) box
              loop (n - 1)
        loop 20
  log $ "Result of computation that used local state was: " <> show result
  log "Attempting to access `box` in this monadic context will result \
      \in a compiler error."
```

#### **Summary of Effect Libraries**

Since the <code>spago.dhall</code> file does not allow me to explain what each dependency does, I've offloaded that to the table below. These are not all of the Effects that exist. For example, I did not cover <code>Avar</code>, <code>Aff</code>, and others (see the full list on Pursuit here. Not all of the <code>Effects</code> found on there are truly <code>Effects</code> as they might be newtypes for something else). Rather, they give you something to use as you learn more and more of Purescript and FP concepts:

Library	<b>Included Module</b>	Usage
purescript- effect	Effect	Provides the Effect type itself.
purescript- console	Effect.Console	Provides bindings to the Console
purescript- random	Effect.Random	Type used to create random values
purescript- now	Effect.Now	Get current Date/Time from machine. (Note: see the date-time repo for additional related functions)
purescript-js- timers	Effect.Timer	Bindings to low-level JS API: set/ clearTimeout and set/clearInterval
purscript-refs	Effect.Ref	Global mutable state
purscript-st	Control.Monad.ST	Local mutable state

### Effect, Eff, and Aff

#### **Some History**

Before the 0.12.0 release, the Effect monad used to be called Eff.

In short, the decision was made to drop Eff's "extensible effects". Presumably, to prevent code breakage, Eff and package location in imports was unchanged. Rather, it can now be found in the purescript-eff package. Its replacement was called Effect.

(You can read more about the decision making process here. If one is curious about Eff, read through the related section in the "Purescript by Example" book as it won't be covered here.)

#### **Aff**

The Aff monad was introduced and in use before this decision was made. Thus, history explains the naming behind Aff: if Eff was for synchronous **eff**ects, then Aff is for **a**sychronous effects.

Aff will be covered in more depth in the upcoming files.

### **Aff**

If you're writing an application (as opposed to a library), you should almost always use Aff to run your native side-effectful computations rather than Effect . Here are some of its advantages:

- prevents "callback hell" for which Node.js is well-known.
- enables concurrent programming (but not parallel programming as JavaScript is single-threaded).
- is a stack-safe monad ( Effect is not currently stack-safe).

Aff is basically what one would get if one implemented JavaScript Promises as a Monad.

Before continuing one with this folder's contents, watch Async Programming in PureScript to learn what problem Aff solves and a tour of its API for how to use it (actual video on YouTube is titled: "LA PureScript Meetup 12/05/17").

If, after watching the above video, you are tempted to figure out how Aff works internally, let me strongly recommend against that. The JavaScript code used to implement Aff is difficult to understand. Your time would be better invested elsewhere. Rather, I'd recommend looking at it when you have a better grasp of FP concepts.

#### **Folder's Contents**

First, we'll overview some of Aff's API via some working examples that one can play with. Since all programs must be run in Effect, this will show the simplest way to start running computations in the Aff monad: launchAff\_

Second, we'll show *one* way for making it possible to run an Effect -based computations in an Aff monadic context. (Note: this solution won't work for the ST monadic context in the Effect folder's Local-State.purs example.) Then, we'll show how to fix the issue we experienced in our the Effect folder's Timeout-and-Interval.purs file.

Third, we'll use the Node.ReadLine library to show how to convert Effect -based computations that require callbacks into Aff -based computations via makeAff. We'll also show the more complicated way to run a computation in the Aff monad, but which exposes all of Aff's features: runAff.

Finally, we'll link to other Aff-based libraries that one will likely find helpful.

#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

#### **Aff Basics**

This folder shows some of the API of Aff. As stated before, all applications (not libraries) must be started in the Effect monad (or Eff if that's what you're using instead). An Aff-based computation can be converted into an Effect-based on by using launchAff/launchAff\_.

So far, we've been printing values to the screen via <code>log</code> . That function's type signature is <code>String</code> -> <code>Effect Unit</code> . Since the "bind outputs the same box-like type it receives" restriction exists, we normally would not be able to use/compute in a different monadic context. For the time being, we will work around that problem by using a special function called <code>specialLog</code> . We'll explain how that's possible in the next folder, <code>Lifting Monads</code> , but for now just read it like you would <code>log</code> .

API not covered here (though it shouldn't be that hard to figure out how it works after reading through these examples and watching Nate's video)

- supervisor
- bracket
- killFiber

### 01-Launching-Aff.purs

```
module AffBasics.LaunchAff where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (launchAff, launchAff_)
import Effect.Console (log)
import SpecialLog (specialLog)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log "This is an Effect computation (Effect monadic context).\n"
  void $ launchAff do
    specialLog "This is an Aff computation (Aff monadic context)."
    specialLog "Aff provides the `launchAff` function that enables an \
               \Aff computation to run inside an Effect monadic context.\n"
  launchAff_ do
    specialLog "`launchAff_` is just `void $ launchAff`.\n"
  log "Program finished."
```

## 02-Delay.purs

## 03-Fork-Join.purs

```
module AffBasics.ForkJoin where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (Milliseconds(...), delay, forkAff, joinFiber, launchAff_)
import SpecialLog (specialLog)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ do
  let
    fiber1 = "Fiber 1"
    fiber2 = "Fiber 2"
    fiber3 = "Fiber 3"
  specialLog "Let's run multiple computations concurrently. Then, \
             \we'll use `joinFiber` to ensure all computations have \
             \finished before we do another computation."
  firstFiber <- forkAff do
    specialLog $ fiber1 <> ": Waiting for 1 second until completion."
    delay $ Milliseconds 1000.0
    specialLog $ fiber1 <> ": Finished computation."
  secondFiber <- forkAff do</pre>
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Computation 1 (takes 300 ms)."
    delay $ Milliseconds 300.0
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Computation 2 (takes 300 ms)."
    delay $ Milliseconds 300.0
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Computation 3 (takes 500 ms)."
    delay $ Milliseconds 500.0
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Finished computation."
  thirdFiber <- forkAff do
    specialLog $ fiber3 <> ": Nothing to do. Just return immediately."
    specialLog $ fiber3 <> ": Finished computation."
  joinFiber firstFiber
  specialLog $ fiber1 <> " has finished. Now joining on " <> fiber2
  joinFiber secondFiber
  specialLog $ fiber3 <> " has finished. Now joining on " <> fiber3
  joinFiber thirdFiber
  specialLog $ fiber3 <> " has finished. All fibers have finished their \
                         \computation."
  specialLog "Program finished."
```

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## **04-Suspend-Join.purs**

```
module AffBasics.SuspendJoin where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (Milliseconds(..), delay, joinFiber, launchAff_, suspendAff)
import SpecialLog (specialLog)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ do
  let
    fiber1 = "Fiber 1"
    fiber2 = "Fiber 2"
    fiber3 = "Fiber 3"
  specialLog "Let's setup multiple computations. Then, we'll use \
             \`joinFiber` to actually run the computations for the first time.
\
             \When they run, they will block until finished.\n"
  specialLog "Setting up the first fiber, but not yet running its computation."
  firstFiber <- suspendAff do</pre>
    specialLog $ fiber1 <> ": Waiting for 1 second until completion."
    delay $ Milliseconds 1000.0
    specialLog $ fiber1 <> ": Finished computation."
  specialLog "Setting up the second fiber, but not yet running its
computation."
  secondFiber <- suspendAff do</pre>
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Computation 1 (takes 300 ms)."
    delay $ Milliseconds 300.0
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Computation 2 (takes 300 ms)."
    delay $ Milliseconds 300.0
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Computation 3 (takes 500 ms)."
    delay $ Milliseconds 500.0
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": Finished computation."
  specialLog "Setting up the third fiber, but not yet running its computation."
  thirdFiber <- suspendAff do
    specialLog $ fiber3 <> ": Nothing to do. Just return immediately."
    specialLog $ fiber3 <> ": Finished computation."
  delay $ Milliseconds 1000.0
  specialLog "Now running the first fiber's computation and blocking \
             \until it finishes."
  joinFiber firstFiber
  specialLog "Now running the second fiber's computation and blocking \
             \until it finishes."
```

### **05-Cached-Join.purs**

```
module AffBasics.CachedJoin where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (Milliseconds(..), delay, forkAff, joinFiber, launchAff_,
import SpecialLog (specialLog)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ do
    fiber1 = "Fiber 1"
    fiber2 = "Fiber 2"
  specialLog "Let's compute multiple computations. Then, we'll refer to the \
             \value they produced multiple times to see that the result is \
             \cached.\n"
  firstFiber <- forkAff do
    specialLog $ fiber1 <> ": You will only see this message once!"
    delay $ Milliseconds 1000.0
    pure 10
  secondFiber <- suspendAff do</pre>
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": You will only see this message once!"
    delay $ Milliseconds 1000.0
    pure 50
  result1 <- joinFiber firstFiber
  result2 <- joinFiber secondFiber
  specialLog "Finished joining fibers. After small pause, will join again \
             \to see whether their computations are rerun."
  delay $ Milliseconds 2000.0
  specialLog "Rejoining fibers!"
  result1_again <- joinFiber firstFiber</pre>
  result2_again <- joinFiber secondFiber
  specialLog "Finished joining fibers again."
  specialLog $ "Result 1 is the same? " <> show (result1 == result1_again)
  specialLog $ "Result 2 is the same? " <> show (result2 == result2_again)
  specialLog "Program finished."
```

## **06-Switching-Contexts.purs**

```
module AffBasics.SwitchingContexts where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (Milliseconds(...), delay, joinFiber, launchAff, launchAff_,
launchSuspendedAff)
import Effect.Console (log)
import SpecialLog (specialLog)
-- This example was created to show what happens when `launchSuspendedAff`
-- is used and its requirement to be run in another Aff computation later.
-- It also shows the unpredictability of switching
-- between the synchronous Effect and asychronous Aff in this way.
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
 let
    fiber1 = "Fiber 1"
    fiber2 = "Fiber 2"
 log "This is an Effect computation (Effect monadic context).\n"
  -- Runs an Aff computation and returns the fiber that, when joined,
  -- will produce the computed value. It must be joined in a new
  -- `Aff` computation.
  firstFiber <- launchAff do
    specialLog $ fiber1 <> ": You will only see this message once!"
    delay $ Milliseconds 1000.0
    pure 10
  -- Creates an Aff computation, but does not run it. Rather, returns
  -- the fiber that, when joined, will start and finish the computation,
  -- returning the computed value when done. It must be joined in a new
  -- `Aff` computation.
  secondFiber <- launchSuspendedAff do</pre>
    specialLog $ fiber2 <> ": You will only see this message once!"
    delay $ Milliseconds 1000.0
    pure 50
  log "\nJust some other stuff we need to do in the Effect monadic context...
\n"
 launchAff_ do
    specialLog "Back inside an Aff monadic context. Let's see what those \
               \fibers did!\n"
    result1 <- joinFiber firstFiber
    result2 <- joinFiber secondFiber
    specialLog "Finished joining fibers. After small pause, will join again \
               \to see whether their computations are rerun."
```

### **MonadEffect**

In the previous folder, we saw that we could print content to the console using <code>specialLog</code>. Underneath, we're using <code>log</code>, the function with the type, <code>String</code> -> <code>Effect Unit</code>. Since "bind outputs the same box-like type it receives," how was this possible?

In this file, we'll show one way to workaround this limitation. This solution will be used frequently in real code wherever the Effect monad is used. However, this solution doesn't necessarily work for other monads. Still, it is conceptually easy to understand and creates scaffolding. That scaffolding will make it easier to understand other workarounds to this restriction that we'll discuss in the Application Structure folder.

# Reviewing a Previous Workaround: Lifting one Monad into another

When overviewing the "" bind outputs the same box-like type it receives" restriction, we described the previous workaround:

```
import Prelude -- for the (+) and (~>) function aliases
data Box1 a = Box1 a
data Box2 a = Box2 a
class LiftSourceIntoTargetMonad sourceMonad targetMonad where
{-
  liftSourceMonad :: forall a. sourceMonad a -> targetMonad a
  liftSourceMonad ::
                                sourceMonad ~> targetMonad
instance LiftSourceIntoTargetMonad Box2 Box1 where
  liftSourceMonad :: Box2 ~> Box1
  liftSourceMonad (Box2 a) = Box1 a
bindAttempt :: Box1 Int
bindAttempt = do
  four <- Box1 4
  six <- liftSourceMonad $ Box2 6</pre>
  pure $ four + six
-- type class instances for Monad hierarchy
instance Functor Box1 where
  map :: forall a b. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Box1 a \rightarrow Box1 b
  map f(Box1 a) = Box1 (f a)
instance Apply Box1 where
  apply :: forall a b. Box1 (a -> b) -> Box1 a -> Box1 b
  apply (Box1 f) (Box1 a) = Box1 (f a)
instance Bind Box1 where
  bind :: forall a b. Box1 a -> (a -> Box1 b) -> Box1 b
  bind (Box1 a) f = f a
instance Applicative Box1 where
  pure :: forall a. a -> Box1 a
  pure a = Box1 a
instance Monad Box1
-- Needed to print the result to the console in the REPL session
instance (Show a) => Show (Box1 a) where
  show (Box1 \ a) = show \ a
```

#### MonadEffect

When we have an Effect -based computation that we want to run in some other monadic context, we can use liftEffect from MonadEffect if the target monad has an instance for MonadEffect:

```
class (Monad m) <= MonadEffect m where
  liftEffect :: Effect ~> m
```

Aff has an instance for MonadEffect, so we can lift Effect-based computations into an Aff monadic context. Below was how we defined specialLog. You can see it in the next file:

```
specialLog :: String -> Aff Unit
specialLog message = liftEffect $ log message
```

Referring back to our previous "local state" example, the ST monad does not have an instance for MonadEffect. This decision is intentional: state manipulation of that kind should be pure and not have any side-effects. That's why it exists inside of its own monadic context: to ensure that those who attempt to do so get compiler errors. This is a safety precaution, not a "we wanted to be jerks who frustrate you" decision.

As we saw previously in the Switching-Context.purs file, running multiple Aff computations in an Effect monadic context doesn't always lead to a predictable output. However, running multiple Effect -based computations in an Aff monadic context is much more predictable.

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## **02-SpecialLog.purs**

```
module SpecialLog (specialLog) where
import Prelude
import Effect.Aff (Aff)
import Effect.Class (liftEffect)
import Effect.Console (log)

specialLog :: String -> Aff Unit
specialLog msg = liftEffect $ log msg
```

## 03-Timeout-and-Interval.purs

```
module TimeoutAndInterval.Aff where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (Milliseconds(..), delay, launchAff_)
import Effect.Class (liftEffect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Effect.Timer as T
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ do
  timeoutID <- liftEffect $ T.setTimeout 1000 (log "This will run after 1
second")
  intervalID <- liftEffect $ T.setInterval 10 (log "Interval ran!")</pre>
  liftEffect do
    -- Since these three log calls use `bind` to sequence them into
    -- a single `Effect Unit` computation, we can reduce verbosity
    -- by lifting all of them using one `liftEffect`.
    log "Doing some other things...."
    log (evaluate 10 20)
    log "... Finished."
  liftEffect do
    log "Now cancelling interval"
    T.clearInterval intervalID
  -- Here, we'll delay the computation long enough to ensure the
  -- above timeout callback actually runs.
  delay (Milliseconds 1300.0)
  liftEffect do
    log "Now cancelling timeout"
    T.clearTimeout timeoutID
    log "Program is done!"
evaluate :: Int -> Int -> String
evaluate x y | x < y = show x <> " is less than " <> show y
             | x > y = show x <> " is greater than " <> show y
             otherwise = show x <> " is equal to " <> show y
```

### Node ReadLine API

Node's ReadLine API docs are here. In this folder, we'll use the following Purescript bindings of the API (The Pursuit docs are outdated as they only show docs for an earlier release. So, either run spago docs and look at the Node.ReadLine module's docs, or look at the source code to see all of what is supported.

Below, I cover some of the API (some of the functions below had their 'foreign import' part removed to shorten the type signature):

```
-- Copyright is at the end of this file
foreign import data Interface :: Type
-- | A function which performs tab completion.
type Completer
 = String
 -> Effect
      { completions :: Array String
      , matched :: String
-- | A completion function which offers no completions.
noCompletion :: Completer
noCompletion s = -- implementation
-- | Create an interface with the specified completion function.
createConsoleInterface :: Completer -> Effect Interface
createConsoleInterface compl = -- implementation
-- | Writes a message to the output and adds a listener to the
-- | interface that invokes the callback function when an
-- | event occurs (i.e. user inputs some text and presses Enter).
question :: String -> (String -> Effect Unit) -> Interface -> Effect Unit
question message handleUserInput interface = -- implementation
-- | Closes the specified `Interface` and cleans up resources.
close :: Interface -> Effect Unit
close interface = -- implementation
```

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## **02-ReadLine-Effect.purs**

```
module ConsoleLessons.ReadLine.Effect where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
{-
This file will demonstrate why using `Effect` to work with `Node.ReadLine`
creates the Pyramid of Doom.
Look through the code and then use the command in the folder's
ReadMe.md file to run it using Node (not Spago) to see what happens.
-}
-- new imports
import Node.ReadLine ( createConsoleInterface, noCompletion
                     , question, close)
type UseAnswer = (String -> Effect Unit)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
 log "\n\n" -- separate output from program output
 log "Creating interface..."
  interface <- createConsoleInterface noCompletion</pre>
  log "Created!\n"
  log "Requesting user input..."
  interface # question "Type something here (1): " \answer1 -> do
    log $ "You typed: '" <> answer1 <> "'\n"
    interface # question "Type something here (2): " \answer2 -> do
      log $ "You typed: '" <> answer2 <> "'\n"
      interface # question "Type something here (3): " \answer3 -> do
        log $ "You typed: '" <> answer3 <> "'\n"
        interface # question "Type something here (4): " \answer4 -> do
          log $ "You typed: '" <> answer4 <> "'\n"
          interface # question "Type something here (5): " \answer5 -> do
            log $ "You typed: '" <> answer5 <> "'\n"
            log "Now closing interface"
            close interface
            log "Finished!"
          log "This will print as we wait for your 5th answer."
        log "This will print as we wait for your 4th answer."
      log "This will print as we wait for your 3rd answer."
    log "This will print as we wait for your 2nd answer."
  log "This will print as we wait for your 1st answer."
```

## **Basic Aff Functions**

In this file, we'll show the second way to run an Aff computation called runAff and how to convert Node.ReadLine's question function (i.e. an Effect -based function that requires a callback) into an Aff -based computation using makeAff.

#### **Aff Overview**

Let's first overview some of Aff's concepts, so that the upcoming code is easier to understand. To be a truly asynchronous effect monad, Aff must support the following features:

- handles errors that may arise during its computation
- returns some computation's output
- can be cancelled if it's no longer needed

To model the possibility for a computation to return an error or actual output, we can use Either a b. Handling errors and output implies a function. Aff uses the type signature, Either errorType outputType -> Effect Unit, for that.

Lastly, cancelling implies what to do when the computation is either no longer needed or it has failed (but we aren't using the function just discussed above). As an example, one will use Canceler's to clean up resources (e.g. clearTimeout).

```
newtype Canceler = Canceler (Error -> Aff Unit)
```

Since our present interests do not require cancellation, we can use a no-op Canceler: nonCanceler

#### **Understanding** runAff

For our purposes, we need an Aff to run inside of an Effect monadic context. If one looks through Aff's docs, the only one that does this besides launchAff and its variants is runAff\_:

Breaking this down, runAff\_ takes two arguments (explained in reverse):

- an Aff computation to run
- a function for handling a possible asynchronous Error if the computation fails or the computation's output, a, if it succeeds.

Using it should look something like:

```
runAff_ (\either -> case either of
   Left error -> log $ show error
   Right a -> -- do something with 'a' or run cleanup code
)
affValue
```

We could make the code somewhat easier by using Data. Either (either)

#### **Understanding** makeAff

Next, we need to convert question from an Effect -based computation into an Aff-based one. Looking through Pursuit again, makeAff is the only function that does this:

```
makeAff :: forall a. ((Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Canceler) ->
Aff a
```

Breaking this down, makeAff takes only one argument. However, the argument is a bit quirky since it takes a function as its argument. We should read it as...

```
Given a function
    that returns an `Effect Canceler`
    by using the function that `runAff_` requires
        (i.e. `(Either Error a -> Effect Unit)`),
output an `Aff` computation that produces a value of type `a` when `bind`ed
```

To create this type signature, we'll write something like this:

```
affValue :: Aff String
affValue = makeAff go
  where
  go :: (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Canceler
  go runAff_RequiredFunction = -- implementation
```

Since the implementation will need to return an Effect Canceler, we can do one of two things:

- 1. Lift a canceller into Effect via pure. This is pointless because then our Aff wouldn't do anything.
- 2. Create an Effect a and use Functor's dervied function, voidRight (<\$), with nonCanceler

```
-- for a refresher on voidRight
2 `voidRight` (Box 1) == 2 <$ (Box 1) == (Box 2)
-- alias is: "<$"
voidRight :: forall f a b. Functor f => b -> f a -> f b
voidRight b box = (\_ -> b) <$> box
-- or ignore the monad's inner 'a' and replace it with 'b'
```

Updating our code to use these two ideas, we now have:

```
affValue :: Aff String
affValue = makeAff go
  where
  go :: (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Canceler
  go runAff_RequiredFunction = nonCanceler <$ (effectBox
runAff_RequiredFunction)

effectBox :: (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Unit
  effectBox runAffFunction = -- implementation
```

We want to use question to print something to the console, get the user's input, and return that value. It's type signature is:

```
question :: String -> (String -> Effect Unit) -> Interface -> Effect String
question message handleUserInput interface = -- Node binding implementation
```

The only place we could insert runAffFunction is in (String -> Effect Unit). Thus, we come up with this function:

Putting it all together and excluding the required arguments, we get:

```
affValue :: Aff String
affValue = makeAff go
  where
  go :: (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Canceler
  go runAff_RequiredFunction = nonCanceler <$ (effectBox
runAff_RequiredFunction)

  effectBox :: (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Unit
  effectBox runAffFunction = question message (runAffFunction <<< Right)
interface</pre>
```

Cleaning it up and including the arguments, we get:

```
affQuestion :: String -> Interface -> Aff String
affQuestion message interface = makeAff go
   where
   go :: (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Canceler
   go runAffFunction =
        nonCanceler <$ question message (runAffFunction <<< Right) interface</pre>
```

## **04-ReadLine-Aff.purs**

```
module ConsoleLessons.ReadLine.Aff where
import Prelude
import Data.Either (Either(...))
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (Aff, runAff_, makeAff, nonCanceler)
import Effect.Class (liftEffect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Node.ReadLine (Interface, createConsoleInterface, noCompletion, close)
import Node.ReadLine as ReadLine
-- This is `affQuestion` from the previous file
question :: String -> Interface -> Aff String
question message interface = makeAff go
 where
    -- go :: (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Canceler
    go runAffFunction = nonCanceler <$</pre>
      ReadLine.question message (runAffFunction <<< Right) interface</pre>
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log "\n\n" -- separate output from program
  log "Creating interface..."
  interface <- createConsoleInterface noCompletion</pre>
 log "Created!\n"
{-
  runAff_ :: forall a. (Either Error a -> Effect Unit) -> Aff a -> Effect Unit
-}
  runAff_
    -- Ignore any errors and output and just close the interface
    (\_ -> closeInterface interface)
    (useInterface interface)
    closeInterface :: Interface -> Effect Unit
    closeInterface interface = do
      log "Now closing interface"
      close interface
      log "Finished!"
    -- Same code as before, but without the Pyramid of Doom!
    useInterface :: Interface -> Aff Unit
    useInterface interface = do
      liftEffect $ log "Requesting user input..."
      answer1 <- interface # question "Type something here (1): "</pre>
      liftEffect $ log $ "You typed: '" <> answer1 <> "'\n"
      answer2 <- interface # question "Type something here (2): "</pre>
      liftEffect $ log $ "You typed: '" <> answer2 <> "'\n"
```

```
answer3 <- interface # question "Type something here (3): "
liftEffect $ log $ "You typed: '" <> answer3 <> "'\n"
answer4 <- interface # question "Type something here (4): "
liftEffect $ log $ "You typed: '" <> answer4 <> "'\n"
answer5 <- interface # question "Type something here (5): "
liftEffect $ log $ "You typed: '" <> answer5 <> "'\n"
```

### **Useful Aff Libraries**

#### **Based on Aff**

These were found using a purescript-aff- search on Pursuit:

- purescript-aff-bus
- purescript-aff-retry
- purescript-aff-promise
  - This library makes JavaScript Promises properly work/communicate together with PureScript Aff computations and vice versa.
- purescript-aff-parallel
- purescript-aff-reattempt
- purescript-aff-throttler
- purescript-aff-coroutines
- purescript-affjax
- purescript-avar
- purescript-concurrent-queues

#### **Aff Wrappers Around Node**

- purescript-node-fs-aff
- purescript-node-readline-aff (outdated: does not compile on PureScript 0.13.8)

## **Debugging**

This folder helps you debug problems in your code by

- explaining some tips/tricks to use to help debug compiler errors
- forewarning about some potential misunderstandings
- helping you to read some compiler errors

#### **Running The Lessons**

You should **NOT** use the REPL for these lessons.

Rather, you should use spago to run them using this syntax:

```
spago run --main Debugging.OverviewAPI
```

UserDefinedWarning.md for more information,

or to contribute content related to this warning.

When compiling these examples, you will likely see a warning like below:

```
Warning found:
in module Debugging.CustomTypeErrors.TypeClassInstances
at src/03-Custom-Type-Errors/04-Type-Class-Instances.purs line 41, column 1 -
line 41, column 23

A custom warning occurred while solving type class constraints:
   No worries! This warning is supposed to happen!
   [Some warning message here...]

in value declaration warnInstance
See https://github.com/purescript/documentation/blob/master/errors/
```

This is supposed to happen, so don't be alarmed. When we hit that part of our lessons, we'll tell you how to remove the warnings so you can get rid of the "compiler noise."

## **General Debugging**

The following sections are tips for debugging issues that may arise in a strongly-typed language via the compiler.

# There is currently no "Actual Type / Expected Type" distinction

In the following error...

```
Could not match type

A
with type

B
... rest of error ...
```

... one might expect A to be the "actual" type and B to be the "expected" type. However, sometimes the two are swapped, so that A is the "expected" type and B is the "actual" type. This is not desirable, but is currently how the compiler works.

Why? Because the compiler uses a mixture of unification and type inference to check types. See purescript/purescript#3399 for more information.

# Distinguishing the Difference between {...} and (...) errors

(thomashoneyman recommended I document this. These examples might be incorrect since I am not fully aware of the comment that garyb made, but the general idea still applies.)

```
Recall that { label :: Type } is syntax sugar for Record (label :: Type)
```

So, the below error means a Record could not unify with some other type:

```
Could not match type
  { label :: Type }
with type
String
```

Whereas the below error means a Record was the correct type, but some of its label-type associations were missing.

```
Could not match type
  Record (label :: Type)
with type
  Record (label :: Type, forgottenLabel :: OtherType)
```

### **Type Directed Search**

Otherwise known as "typed holes."

If you recall in Syntax/Basic Syntax/src/Data-and-Functions/Type-Directed-Search.md, we can use type-directed search to

- 1. help us determine what an entity's type is
- 2. guide us in how to implement something
- 3. see better ways to code something via type classes

As an example, let's say we have a really complicated function or type

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    a <- computeA
    b <- computeB
    c <- (\a -> (\c -> doX c) <$> box a) <$> (Box 5) <*> (Box 8)
```

If we want to know what the type will be for dox, we can rewrite that entity using a type direction search, ?dox, and see what the compiler outputs:

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    a <- computeA
    b <- computeB
    c <- (\a -> (\c -> ?doX c) <$> box a) <$> (Box 5) <*> (Box 8)
```

If we're not sure what type a function outputs, we can precede the function with our search

```
using ?name $ function:
```

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    a <- computeA
    b <- computeB
    c <- (\a -> (\c -> ?help $ doX c) <$> box a) <$> (Box 5) <*> (Box 8)
```

If you encounter a problem or need help, this should be one of the first things you use.

### Getting the Type of an Expression from the Compiler

This is known as "typed wildcards".

In a function body, wrapping some term with (term :: \_) will cause the compiler to infer the type for you.

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    a <- computeA
    b <- computeB
    c <- (\w x -> ((doX x) :: _)) <$> box a) <$> (Box 5) <*> (Box 8)
```

### Getting the Type of a Function from the Compiler

There are two possible situations where this idea might help:

- You know how to write the body for a function but aren't sure what it's type signature is
- You're exploring a new unfamiliar library and are still figuring out how to piece things together. So, you attempt to write the body of a function but aren't sure what it's type signature will be.

In such cases, we can completely omit the type signature and the compiler will usually infer what it is for us:

```
-- no type signature here for `f`,
-- so the compiler will output a warning
-- stating what its inferred type is
f = (\a -> (\c -> doX c) <$> box a) <$> (Box 5) <*> (Box 8)
```

However, the above is not always useful when one only wants to know what the type of either an argument or the return type. In such situations, one can use typed wildcards from above in the type signature:

```
doesX :: String -> _ -> Int
doesX str anotherString = length (concat str anotherString)
```

#### Determining why a type was inferred incorrectly

Sometimes, I wish we could have a 'unification trace' or a 'type inference trace'. I know the code I wrote works, but there's some mistake somewhere in my code that's making the compiler infer the wrong type at point X, which then produces the type inference problem much later at point Y. To solve Y, I need to fix the problem X, but I'm not sure where X is.

Here's an example:

```
type Rec = { a :: String }

f :: String -> String
f theString = wrap (unwrap theString)

where
   wrap :: String -> Rec
   wrap theString = { a: theString }

{-
      the mistake! Compiler says
      Cannot match type
      { a :: String }
      with type
      { a :: String, b :: String }
      unwrap :: Rec -> String
      unwrap rec = rec.b
```

In the PureScript chatroom, garyb mentioned passing the --verbose-errors flag to the compiler. **This will output a LOT of information**, but it's that or nothing. To do that, run this code:

```
spago build -u --verbose-errors
spago build -u -v
```

# Could not match type Monad with type Function (Argument -> Monad a)

Whenever you get an error like this....

```
Error found:
in module Try
at src/example.purs:10:3 - 12:6 (line 10, column 3 - line 12, column 6)

Could not match type

    Effect

with type

    Function (String -> Effect Unit)

while trying to match type Effect Unit
    with type (String -> Effect Unit) -> t0
while inferring the type of (log "Here's a message") log
in value declaration main
where t0 is an unknown type
```

It's because you forgot to add the do keyword. Here's the code that produces the error:

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = -- missing `do` keyword!
  log "Here's a message"

log "Here's another message."
```

# Improve Error Messages when using unsafePartial to un-Partial Functions

(This section assumes familiarity with the Design Patterns/Partial Functions/ folder)

Taken from safareli's comment in "When should you use primitive types instead of custom types?"", there might be times where you want to use a partial function to get or compute some value that might not be there. If one just uses unsafePartial \$ <unsafeFunction>, the error message will likely not be helpful:

sarafeli 's suggestion is to pattern match on the value and use unsafeCrashWith instead to provide a much better error message in case your assumption is proven invalid.

```
foo :: forall a. Maybe a -> a
foo mightBeHere = case mightBeHere of
  Nothing -> unsafeCrashWith "'mightBeHere' should be a valid 'a'"
  Just v -> v
```

## **Custom Type Errors**

#### **Pre-reqs for This Folder**

To understand this folder's contents, you should read and be somewhat familiar with Type-Level Syntax. If you haven't already done so, go read through that folder's contents.

#### **Scope of This Folder**

This folder will demonstrate how to write Custom Type Errors (i.e. custom compiler warnings and errors) and why one might find it useful. It provides the foundations for understanding why something happens in the next folder's code. This folder does not get deep into how to do type-level programming. That will be covered later.

In this folder, we'll be using the infix aliases from purescript-typelevel-eval. We won't be directly importing it here because it does not yet exist in the default package set (as of this writing).

## **01-Overview-API.purs**

```
module Debugging.CustomTypeErrors.OverviewAPI where
{-
# Prim Special Submodules
Every Purescript project imports the Prim module by default:
https://pursuit.purescript.org/builtins/docs/Prim
This module defines `kind Type` and the types
for `Int`, `Array`, and `Function`.
In addition, the Prim module has sub module called "TypeError"
that is not imported by default. Within it, Prim defines a few
things for writing your own custom type warnings/errors.
Similar to what we did in the Syntax folder, we'll show the
value-level definitions of these type-level types, instances, and functions
-}
{-
The following is commented out to prevent a compiler warning:
  "import is redundant"
-- new imports
import Prim.TypeError (
  -- type-level type
   kind Doc
  -- type-level instances
  , Text
  , Quote
  , Above
  , Beside
  -- type-level functions
  , class Warn
  , class Fail
  )
-}
data Doc_
 QuoteLabel_ String -- Similar to Text but handles things differently
                      -- Used particularly for 'labels', the 'keys'
                      -- in rows/records (see functions file)
  | Beside_ Doc_ Doc_ -- Similar to "left <> right" ("leftright") in that
                     -- it places documents side-by-side. However, it's
                     -- different in that these documents are aligned at
                     -- the top.
  Above_ Doc_ Doc_ -- same as "top" <> "\n" <> "bottom" ("top\nbottom")
```

```
type Explanation = String
warn :: Explanation
warn = """
         Usage:
              - Constrain a type with Warn in a value/function declaration
              - Constrain a type in a type class instance with Warn
         Result:
              If value/function is used, outputs a warning during compile-time
         Compilation succeeds?:
              Yes
         Use Cases:
              - "Soft" Deprecation - Indicate to users of library that this
                  function/value will be removed/changed in future
              - Warning indicating developer/debug code should be removed
                  before production code is released
         Does the REPL display it?:
              No (as of this writing)
         11 11 11
fail :: Explanation
fail = """
         Usage:
              - Constrain a type with Fail in a value/function declaration
              - Constrain a type in a type class instance with Fail
              If instance is used, outputs an error during compile-time
         Compilation succeeds?:
              No
         Use Cases:
              - "Hard" Deprecation - Remove support for a value/function and
                  force users of library to migrate to new approach or
                  use a different value/function that does the same thing.
              - Provide better error messages for specific type class instances
                  that cannot exist.
         Does the REPL display it?:
              Yes
         ** ** **
```

## 02-Values.purs

```
module Debugging.CustomTypeErrors.Values where
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Show (show)
import Data.Unit (Unit)
import Data.Function (($))
import Control.Bind (discard)
import Prim.TypeError (Text, class Warn, class Fail)
warnFunction :: Warn
  ( Text "Deprecated! Use betterFunction instead"
  ) => Int -> Int
warnFunction x = x
betterFunction :: Number
betterFunction = 5.0
failFunction :: Fail
  ( Text "Broken! Use betterFunction instead"
  ) => Int -> Int
failFunction _ = 20
regularFunction :: Int -> Int
regularFunction _ = 4
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log $ show $ regularFunction 8
  log $ show $ warnFunction 3
  -- Uncomment the next line, save the file, run it, and see what happens
  -- log $ show $ failFunction 12
```

## **03-Functions.purs**

```
module Debugging.CustomTypeErrors.Functions where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
import Prim.TypeError (Text, Quote, Above, Beside, QuoteLabel, class Warn,
class Fail)
data Doc_
  = Text_ String
                    -- wraps a Symbol
  | Quote_ String -- the Type's name as a Symbol
  | QuoteLabel_ String -- Similar to Text but handles things differently
                      -- Used particularly for 'labels', the 'keys'
                       -- in rows/records (see below)
  | Beside Doc Doc -- Similar to "left <> right" ("leftright") in that
                      -- it places documents side-by-side. However, it's
                      -- different in that these documents are aligned at
                      -- the top.
  | Above_ Doc_ Doc_ -- same as "top" <> "\n" <> "bottom" ("top\nbottom")
-- The following aliases are taken from purescript-typelevel-eval:
-- https://pursuit.purescript.org/packages/purescript-typelevel-eval/0.2.0/
docs/Type.Eval
-- I would use it and import them here, but it's not yet in the default package
set
infixr 2 type Beside as <>
infixr 1 type Above as |>
besideExample :: Warn
  ( Text "Beside lays out documents side-by-side, aligned at the top:"
  |> Text ""
  > Text "B"
       ) <> Text "C"
     )
  |> Text ""
  |> ( Text "C" <> ( Text "A"
                   |> Text "B"
                   )
     )
  ) => Int
besideExample = 2
warnValue :: Warn
  ( Text "This warning appears only when you use this value or function"
  |> Text ""
  |> Text "The requested value of type, " <> Quote Int <> Text ","
  |> Text "is no longer something you should use!"
  |> Text ""
```

```
|> Text "Use betterValue instead since it is of type " <> Quote Number
  ) => Int
warnValue = 5
betterValue :: Number
betterValue = 5.0
failValue :: Fail
  ( Text "This error only appears when you use this value"
  |> Text ""
  |> Text "Error: Value is no longer valid"
  ) => Int
failValue = 20
regularValue :: Int
regularValue = 4
-- QuoteLabel vs Text
labelAsText :: forall l. Warn
  ( Text "Text Label " <> Text l
  ) => Proxy l -> String
labelAsText _ = ""
labelAsQuote :: forall l. Warn
  ( Text "Quote Label " <> QuoteLabel l
  ) => Proxy l -> String
labelAsQuote _ = ""
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log $ show regularValue
  log $ show warnValue
  log $ show besideExample
  -- Demonstrates the difference between Text and QuoteLabel
  log $ show (labelAsText (Proxy :: Proxy "boo"))
  log $ show (labelAsQuote (Proxy :: Proxy "boo"))
  log $ show (labelAsText (Proxy :: Proxy "b\"oo"))
  log $ show (labelAsQuote (Proxy :: Proxy "b\"oo"))
  log $ show (labelAsText (Proxy :: Proxy "b o o"))
  log $ show (labelAsQuote (Proxy :: Proxy "b o o"))
  -- Uncomment the next line, save the file, run it, and see what happens
  -- log $ show failValue
```

## **04-Type-Class-Instances.purs**

```
module Debugging.CustomTypeErrors.TypeClassInstances where
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Show (show)
import Data.Unit (Unit)
import Data.Function (($))
import Prim.TypeError (Text, Above, class Warn, class Fail)
infixr 1 type Above as |>
class ExampleClass a where
  emitMessage :: a -> String
instance ExampleClass Int where
  emitMessage _ = "an integer I'm sure..."
data WarnType = WarnType
data FailType = FailType
instance Warn
  ( Text "No worries! This warning is supposed to happen!"
  |> Text ""
  |> Text "[Some warning message here...]"
  ) => ExampleClass WarnType where
  emitMessage _ = "The message!"
instance Fail
  ( Text "Using this instance will cause code to fail"
  ) => ExampleClass FailType where
  emitMessage _ = "This will never occur"
useInstanceOfExampleClass :: forall a. ExampleClass a => a -> String
useInstanceOfExampleClass a = emitMessage a
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
 log $ show regularInstance
regularInstance :: String
regularInstance = useInstanceOfExampleClass 0
-- Even though this is never used in main,
-- it still emits a warning.
warnInstance :: String
warnInstance = useInstanceOfExampleClass WarnType
-- Even though this is never used in main,
-- it still emits a compiler error
-- failInstance :: String
-- failInstance = useInstanceOfExampleClass FailType
```

## **Debug Trace**

Previously, we got around the "bind outputs the same box-like type it receives" restriction by using MonadEffect. However, we also explained that ST, the monad used to run a computation that uses local mutable state, did not have an instance for MonadEffect. This decision is intentional.

When we run production code, we want to uphold this restriction. However, when we are debugging code, this restriction can be very annoying. Fortunately, the Debug package exists to help you use print debugging in any monadic context. You should use it when initially prototyping things. It should never appear in production code, nor as a solution for production-level logging. (We'll show how to do that in the Application Structure folder).

**WARNING**: Debug 's functions are not always reliable when running concurrent code (i.e. Aff -based computations).

#### **Compilation Instructions**

#### **Seeing the Custom Type Errors**

The warnings that will appear when compiling this code only appear once. Once you have built the code, spago will reuse the already-compiled JavaScript and thus won't retrigger these warnings. If you want to see them again, follow these instructions.

```
# Remove all previously compiled JavaScript
rm -rf output/
# Now build the code to see the warnings.
spago build
```

#### **Running the Examples**

Use these commands

```
spago run -m Debugging.Debug
spago run -m Debugging.LocalState
```

# 01-Debug.purs

```
-- When you compile this file, it will output compiler warnings.
-- If you wish to remove that noise, comment out everything below
-- the "module" declaration.
module Debugging. Debug where
-- Comment out everything below this line to prevent compiler warning.
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Debug (spy, trace, traceM)
-- Given a simple Box Monad
data Box a = Box a
-- all type class instances are at the end of the file
-- And a way to convert a Box computation into an Effect computation
runBox :: Box ~> Effect
runBox (Box a) = pure a
boxed4 :: Box Int
boxed4 = Box 4
printAndReturnTheValue :: Int -> Int
printAndReturnTheValue x = spy "x" x
printMessageThenRunComputation :: String -> (Unit -> Int) -> Int
printMessageThenRunComputation msg x = trace msg x
-- When running this, you'll notice that the debug messages
-- are outputted in a font color different than the normal output.
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  -- spy
  log $ show $ printAndReturnTheValue 5
  -- another way to do this
  let _ = spy "four" 4
  -- trace
  log $ show $ printMessageThenRunComputation "before computation" (\_ -> 10)
  log "Right now we are inside of the Effect monad context, \
      \which means we CAN use the `log` function here."
  value <- runBox do
    four <- boxed4
    -- now we are inside of the Box monad context,
    -- which means we CANNOT use `log` here since
    -- it returns `Effect Unit`, not `Box Unit`
```

```
-- Instead, we'll use traceM
    traceM ("Four is: " <> show four)

    pure (four + 8)

log $ "Value is: " <> show value

-- Box's type class instances
instance Functor Box where
    map f (Box a) = Box (f a)

instance Apply Box where
    apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)

instance Applicative Box where
    pure a = Box a

instance Bind Box where
    bind (Box a) f = f a

instance Monad Box
```

# **DebugWarning**

Debug uses Custom Type Errors to warn the developer when it is being used.

Let's examine it further since it provides an example for us to follow should we wish to do something similar in the future. The source code is here, but we'll provide type signatures for the parts we need below and explain their usage:

```
-- See the copyright notice at the bottom of this file for this code:
```

-- | Nullary type class used to raise a custom warning for the debug functions.
class DebugWarning

```
instance Warn (Text "Debug usage") => DebugWarning
```

```
foreign import trace :: forall a b. DebugWarning => a -> (Unit -> b) -> b
```

-- same idea as 'trace' for all the other functions

In short, rather than writing function:: Warn (Text "Debug usage") => [function's type signature] on every function, they use an empty type class whose sole instance adds this for every usage of that type class.

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# 03-Local-State.purs

```
-- Now that we understand how `Debug.Trace` works, let's show
-- what's going on in our previous local mutable state computation.
-- When you compile this file, it will output compiler warnings due to
-- usage of `Debug.Trace (traceM)`. If you wish to remove that noise,
-- comment out every usage of `traceM` in this file.
module Debugging.LocalState where
import Prelude
import Control.Monad.ST as ST
import Control.Monad.ST.Ref as STRef
import Debug (traceM)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log "We will run some modifications on some local state \
      \and then try to modify it out of scope."
  log $ show $ ST.run do
    box <- STRef.new 0
    x0 <- STRef.read box
    traceM $ "x0 should be 0: " <> show x0
    _ <- STRef.write 5 box</pre>
    x1 <- STRef.read box</pre>
    traceM $ "x1 should be 5: " <> show x1
    -- Note: `STRef.modify_` doesn't exist.
    newState <- STRef.modify (\oldState -> oldState + 1) box
    x2 <- STRef.read box
    traceM $ "x2 should be 6: " <> show x2 <> " | newState should be 6: " <>
show newState
    value <- STRef.modify' (\oldState -> { state: oldState * 10, value: 30 })
box
    x3 <- STRef.read box
    traceM $ "value should be 30: " <> show value
    traceM $ "x3 should be 60: " <> show x3
    let loop 0 = STRef.read box
        loop n = do
          _ <- STRef.modify (_ + 1) box</pre>
          loop (n - 1)
    loop 20
  log "Attempting to access box here will result in a compiler error"
```

# **Console-Based Debugging**

A library that may be useful to use when debugging is purescript-debugger (3.0.0 's source code & 2.0.0 's docs). This library's latest release is 3.0.0, but the updated docs have not been pushed to Pursuit yet. I'm not sure what changed

I will not cover this library here (though I might later). I'm including it, so that you are aware of it in the future once we've covered more things.

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# **Other Tips**

This file includes tips I've seen people share in the PureScript chatroom:

How do you guys typically go about debugging runtime issues? Especially bad FFI interactions? Right now I end up using <code>Debug.Trace</code> pretty frequently. I'm trying to move toward a workflow where I can resolve more of these issues with automated testing and in the REPL. I think the REPL is probably the way to go for most logic issues in PS? However, if API definitions are wonky in the FFI then the REPL isn't generally super useful since I'll just get some error from deep in the bundle in some dependency typically.

#### From @kritzcreek:

I use <code>Debug.Trace</code> and break points in the browser. In general, I minimize having to interact with the FFI. If you're crossing the boundary too often maybe you can change your design to move more into PS or isolate and group the FFI interactions more clearly. I rarely use the REPL at all, parcel or webpack reloading the webpage on change in my editor is fast enough for my feedback cycle needs

# **Collections and Loops**

This folder will overview the purescript-foldable-traversable and purescript-filterable libraries. Together, these libraries provide most of the functions one would use when working with collections.

These two type classes are being overviewed because their concepts will arise later in the "Hello World" folder. Rather than explaining them there when we need them, we'll explain them here so that they are more familiar when we get to them there.

# **Foldable**

Note: as of 0.15.6, a type class instance for Foldable can be derived by the compiler.

# **Usage**

Plain English names:

- Summarizeable
- Reducible
- FP version of the Iterator Pattern

```
Given
    a box-like type, `f`,
     that stores zero or more `a` values
        and
    an initial value of type, `b`
    a `Semigroup`/`Monoid`-like function
     that produces a `b` value if given an `a` and a `b` argument,
        of which there are two versions
          either `a -> b -> b`
                `b -> a -> b`
return a single value of type, `b` by
  (first application) passing the initial `b` and initial `a` values into the
function,
   which produces the next `b` value,
  (recursive application) passing the previously-computed `b` value with the
next `a` value into the function
    which produces the next `b` value,
   which will eventually be the final `b` value returned
     when there are no more `a` values
        in the box-like `f` type.
```

It enables:

- a way to reduce a List of String Sinto one String (the combination of all the String S)
- a way to reduce a List of Int s into one Int (the sum/product of all the ints)
- a way to take a List Int and create a Map String Int (each value is an Int from the list and its key is the output of show int)

• a way to take a List Int and double each Int in the list (i.e. write List's Functor instance by implementing map via this type class).

# **Definition**

#### **Code Definition**

Don't look at its docs until after looking at the visual overview in the next section: Foldable

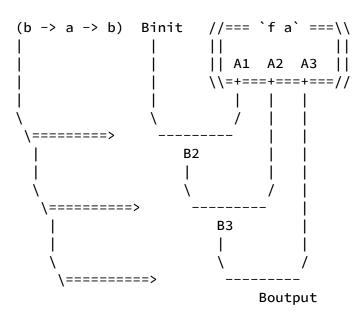
```
class (Functor f) => Foldable f where
  foldMap :: forall a m. Monoid m => (a -> m) -> f a -> m
  foldr :: forall a b. (a -> b -> b) -> b -> f a -> b
  foldl :: forall a b. (b -> a -> b) -> b -> f a -> b
```

#### **Visual Overview**

For a cleaner visual, see Drawing foldl and foldr

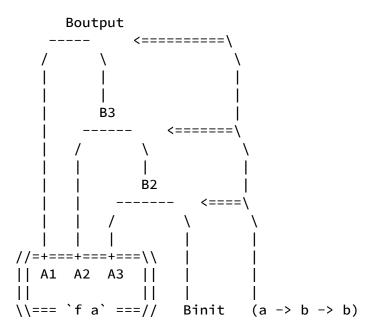
#### foldl

This version creates a tree-like structure of computations that starts evaluating immediately via function Binput A1 and continues evaluating towards the bottom-right. Since each step evaluates immediately, this version is "stack safe."



#### foldr

This version creates a tree-like structure of computations that doesn't start evaluating until it gets to the bottom right of the tree. Once it reaches the bottom right, it evaluates function A3 Binput and then evaluates towards the top-left of the tree Since each step towards the bottom-right of the tree allocates a stack, this function is not always "stack safe".



# **Examples**

We'll implement instances for three types: Box a, Maybe a, and List a. Each

implementation will become more complicated that the previous one.

#### Box's Instance

```
data Box a = Box a

-- Box's implementation doesn't show the difference between `foldl` and
`foldr`.
-- Moreover, the initial `b` value isn't really necessary.
instance Foldable Box where
  foldl :: forall a b. (b -> a -> b) -> b -> Box a -> b
  foldl reduceToB initialB (Box a) = reduceToB initialB a

foldr :: forall a b. (a -> b -> b) -> b -> Box a -> b
  foldr reduceToB initialB (Box a) = reduceToB a initialB

foldMap :: forall a m. Monoid m => (a -> m) -> Box a -> m
  foldMap aToMonoid (Box a) = aToMonoid a
```

#### Maybe's instance

```
-- Maybe's implementation doesn't show the difference between `foldl` and
-- However, the initial `b` value is necessary
-- because of the possible `Nothing` case.
instance Foldable Maybe where
  foldl :: forall a b. (b -> a -> b) -> b -> Maybe a -> b
  foldl reduceToB initialB (Just a) = reduceToB initialB a
  foldl _
                  initialB Nothing =
                                                initialB
  foldr :: forall a b. (a -> b -> b) -> b -> Maybe a -> b
  foldr reduceToB initialB (Just a) = reduceToB a initialB
  foldr _
                 initialB Nothing =
                                                  initialB
  -- While we could implement this the same way as `Box`, let's reuse
  -- `foldl` to implement it
  foldMap :: forall a m. Monoid m => (a -> m) -> Maybe a -> m
  foldMap aToMonoid maybe =
    foldl (\b a -> b <> (aToMonoid a)) mempty maybe
```

#### List's instance

```
-- Cons 1 (Cons 2 Nil)
-- 1 : (Cons 2 Nil)
-- 1 : 2 : Nil
-- same as [1, 2]
-- In the below implementations, `op` stands for `operation`
instance Foldable List where
  -- Same as...
 -- ((((intialB `op` firstElem) `op` secondElem) `op` ...) `op` lastElem)
  foldl :: forall a b. (b -> a -> b) -> b -> List a -> b
  foldl _
                  accumB
                           Nil
                                        = accumB
  foldl op initialB (head : tail) =
    foldl op (op initialB head) tail
  -- Same as...
  -- (firstElem `op` (secondElem `op` (... `op` (lastElem `op` initialB))))
  foldr :: forall a b. (a -> b -> b) -> b -> List a -> b
  foldr op accumB
                    Nil
  foldr op initialB (head : tail) =
   op head (foldl op initialB tail)
  -- Unlike Box, reusing `foldl`/`foldr` is actually the cleaner way
  -- to implement `foldMap` for `List`.
  foldMap :: forall a m. Monoid m => (a -> m) -> List a -> m
  foldMap aToMonoid list =
    foldl (\b a -> b <> (aToMonoid a)) mempty list
instance Functor List where
  map f list =
    -- Due to stack safety, this is not how this is implemented
    -- but it communicates the same idea
    foldr (\prevHead tail -> (f prevHead) : tail) Nil list
```

# **General Usage Patterns**

We'll see more of this in the upcoming overview of the derived functions. However, foldl and its corresponding members tend to follow a few patterns:

```
reduceAllAsIntoOneAValue = foldl reduce initial foldableType
 where
    iniital = -- a type class value or hard-coded value
              -- like `mempty` or `true` or `Data.Ordering.LT`, etc.
    reduce = -- some type class function like `<>` or `&&` or `+`, etc.
             -- Note: sometimes this function will change the `a` to
             -- a different type before the function receives it as an argument
-- allows this type of computation: "a1 `operation` a2 `operation` a3"
thereIsNoInitialB_iterateThroughAllAValues =
 let record = foldl reduce initial foldableType
 in record.value
 where
    initial = { isFirstRun: true, value: initialValue }
    reduce b a =
      { isFirstRun: false, value:
          if b.isFirstRun then a else (realReduceFunction b.value a)
     }
buildHigherKindedData = foldl build initial foldableType
 where
    initial = Map.empty
    build mapSoFar nextValue =
     let
        key = show nextValue
        value = someComplicatedFunction nextValue
     in
        Map.add mapSoFar key value
forEachA_doSomeComputation = foldl compute initial foldableType
 where
    initial :: Effect Unit
    initial = pure unit
    compute :: a -> Effect Unit
    compute _ nextValue = do
     someValue <- computeUsing nextValue</pre>
     allIsGood <- doSomethingElse someValue
     pure unit
```

## **Laws**

None

# **Derived Functions**

We'll overview the derived functions by first grouping them into a few categories, and then providing a general definition for what each one does.

# Default implementations for the members of the Foldable type class

foldMap can be implemented using either foldl or foldr. Likewise, both foldl and foldr can be implemented using foldMap.

Thus, once one has implemented one of these sets, they can use a default implementation to implement the other set:

- if foldl and foldr both are implemented, you can implement foldMap by using one of the two function below:
  - foldMapDefaultL which uses foldl under the hood
  - foldMapDefaultR which uses foldr under the hood
- if foldMap is implemented, you can use the functions below to implement foldl and foldr:
  - foldlDefault
  - foldrDefault

## Use another type class to reduce multiple a values into one value.

• via Semigroup'S append/<> function:

```
o fold == a1 <> a2 <> ... <> aLast <> mempty
o intercalate == a1 <> separator <> a2 <> separator <> a3 ...
```

• fold but with a separator value appended in-beteeen a values.

```
o surround == value <> a1 <> value <> a2 <> value ...
```

The inverse of intercalate

- o surroundMap == value <> (aToMonoid a1) <> value <> (aToMonoid a2) <>
  value ...
  - Same as surround, but the a can be changed to β before being appended to value.
- via HeytingAlgebra'S conj/&& Or disj/|| functions.

```
    and == a1 && a2 && a3 && ...
    or == a1 || a2 || a3 || ...
    all == (aToB a1) && (aToB a2) && (aToB a3) && ...
```

■ Same as and, but the a can be changed to b before being && 'd.

```
o any == (aToB a1) || (aToB a2) || (aToB a3) || ...
```

- Same as or, but the a can be changed to b before being | | 'd.
- via Semiring S plus / + or multiply / \* functions:

```
o sum == a1 + a2 + a3 + ...
o product == a1 * a2 * a3 * ...
```

• via Alt's alt/<|> and Plus's empty functions (very similar to the Semigroup and Monoid relationship):

```
    oneOf == [1, 2, 3] == [1] <|> [2] <|> [3] <|> ... == foldl <|> empty [[1], [2], [3], ...]
    oneOfMap
```

# Determine information about the Foldable type based on the a values it contains / get an a value

Note: the below functions are not as performant as they could be because they will iterate through all of the a values in the Foldable type, even if the desired information is found as soon as possible when testing the first a value. In other words, these functions do not "short circuit".

```
via Eq's eq/== and notEq//= functions:
```

```
    elem == (a1 == test) || (a2 == test) || (a3 == test) || ...
    notElem == (a1 /= test) && (a2 /= test) && (a3 /= test) && ...
```

- Get the index of an a value within the Foldable type:
  - ∘ indexl
  - o indexr
- Get first element which satisfies some predicate:
  - find
  - ∘ findMap
- via Ord's compare function and its derivations (e.g. < , > , etc.):
  - ∘ minimum
  - o minimumBy
  - maximum
  - o maximumBy
- Calculate the length or emptiness of the type:
  - null
  - length

# Execute a "for loop" that runs an applicative/monadic computation (e.g. Effect) using each a in the Foldable type

In the Philosophical Foundations folder, we used a recursive function to implement a "for loop." I mentioned there that one could implement the same thing using a type class called Foldable. It is these last three functions that show how to do that.

In JavaScript, we might write something like this:

```
var array = [1, 2, 3];
for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {
  var elem = array[i];
  console.log(elem);
}</pre>
```

In PureScript, we would write the same thing via Foldable:

```
    * for_ == for_ array log
    * traverse_ == traverse_ log array

            Same as for_ but the function comes first

    * sequence_ == sequence_ [ log "1", log "2", log "3" ]

            Same as for_ but the a values are applicative computations that have yet to be executed
```

 Note: that each of these computations must output only Unit. Traversable, which is covered next, removes that limitation.

A related function is foldm, which allows one to run a monadic computation multiple times where the next computation depends on the output of the previous computation. **As the docs indicate, this function is not generally stack-safe.** 

foldM

Here's an example:

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  int <- randomInt 1 10
  output <- foldM recursiveComputation 1 [1, 2, 3]
  log $ "Output was: " <> show output
  where
    recursiveComputation initialOrAccumulatedValue nextValueInArray = do
    anotherInt <- randomInt 1 nextValueInArray
    pure (anotherInt + initialOrAccumulatedValue)</pre>
```

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... which is the same as writing...

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    int <- randomInt 1 10

-- begin loop
    -- initialOrAccumulatedValue = 1; nextValueInArray = 1
    anotherInt1 <- randomInt 1 1
    accmulatedValue1 <- pure (anotherInt1 + 1)

    -- initialOrAccumulatedValue = 1; nextValueInArray = 2
    anotherInt2 <- randomInt 1 2
    accmulatedValue2 <- pure (anotherInt2 + accmulatedValue1)

    -- initialOrAccumulatedValue = 1; nextValueInArray = 1
    anotherInt3 <- randomInt 1 3
    output <- pure (anotherInt3 + accmulatedValue2)
    -- end loop

log $ "Output was: " <> show output
```

# **Traversable**

Note: as of 0.15.6, a type class instance for Traversable can be derived by the compiler.

# **Usage**

#### The answer is always traverse

While Foldable allowed us to use things like for\_, traverse\_, and sequence\_, these three functions restricted computations to only outputting Unit. Traversable removes that restriction and stores each computation's output in the same Traversable type. Moreover, its derived functions enable a few other nice things.

Plain English names:

- BoxSwap (sequence)
- ForEach (traverse)

# Sequence

## Use Case 1: Swap the box types

I have Array (Maybe a) . I need Maybe (Array a) . The box-like types, Array and Maybe need to swap places.

```
sequence [Just 1, Just 2, Nothing] == Nothing -- because the array had at least
1 `Nothing`.
sequence [Just 1, Just 2, Just 8] == Just [1, 2, 8] -- because the array only
had `Just`s.
```

# Use Case 2: run all computations in a Traversable type and store their outputs in the same Traversable type

This box-swapping property is quite useful as the below example illustrates.

We'll start with sequence first. I could write:

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  let produceInt = randomInt 1 10

output1 <- produceInt
  output2 <- produceInt
  output3 <- produceInt
  output4 <- produceInt
  -- ...
  log $ "Generated Ints were: " <> show [output1, output2, output3, output4]
```

The above code works. However, if I want to add a fifth one, I need to add another outputN <- produceInt line and add the outputN to the array.

Instead, I could write

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  outputArray <- sequence
   [ produceInt
   , produceInt
   , produceInt
   -- ...
  ]
  log $ "Generated Ints were: " <> show outputArray
```

# Traverse: convert each a value in the Traversable type into a computation, run all computations, and store their outputs in the same Traversable type

I could write:

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  let produceInt = \maxBound -> randomInt 1 maxBound

output1 <- produceInt 8
  output2 <- produceInt 20
  output3 <- produceInt 40
  output4 <- produceInt 90
  -- ...
  log $ "Generated Ints were: " <> show [output1, output2, output3, output4]
```

The same problems as before arise. Instead, I could write

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  let produceInt = \maxBound -> randomInt 1 maxBound
  outputArray <- traverse produceInt [8, 20, 40, 90]
  log $ "Generated Ints were: " <> show outputArray
```

# **Definition**

```
class (Functor t, Foldable t) <= Traversable t where
  traverse :: forall a b m. Applicative m => (a -> m b) -> t a -> m (t b)
  sequence :: forall a m. Applicative m => t (m a) -> m (t a)
```

See its docs: Traversable

#### Laws

None, but the members should be compatible in the following ways:

```
traverse f xs = sequence (f <$> xs)
sequence = traverse identity
```

# **Derived Functions**

# Default implementations for the members of the Traversable type class

traverse can be implemented using sequence and sequence can be implemented using traverse. Similar to Foldable, once one has implemented one of these when writing a Traversable instance for a data type, they can use a default implementation to implement the other:

- if traverse is implemented, you can implement sequence by using sequenceDefault
- if sequence is implemented, you can implement traverse by using traverseDefault

# for is traverse with its arguments flipped

• for

Using the same traverse example as above:

```
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  outputArray <- for [8, 20, 40, 90] \maxBound -> randomInt 1 maxBound
  log $ "Generated Ints were: " <> show outputArray
```

# Outputting each step's accumulated value at that time for a foldl/foldr computation

The downside of using foldl / foldr is that you only know the foldl / foldr computation's final output. You don't know how that output was reached / what each step's accumulated value was.

In such cases, you use

- scanl
- scanr

In other words, the value at index n in the outtputted array is the output of passing the value at index n in the input array and the accumulated value at that point in time into the

folding function (i.e. + ). Using the scanr example, the input array's index 2 value (i.e. 3) and the accumulated value at that time (the output array's index 3 value, 9) were both passed into the folding function, +, to produce the output array's index 2 value (i.e. 12).

# Outputting both the output and each step's accumulated value at that time for a foldl/foldr computation

The downside of using scanl / scanr is that we don't have access to **both** the final output of the fold **and** the path it took to get there.

In such cases, you can use

- mapAccumL
- mapAccumR

You can see how mapAccumL / mapAccumR enables you to write even complex computations fairly easily. Still, these two functions are more expressive than just a combining the outputs of foldl and scanl in one computation, since they allow for more types to be used in the computation.

Below is a nonsensical example demonstrating this:

```
import Prelude
 import Data.Traversable (mapAccumL)
 import Data.Traversable.Accum (Accum)
 import Data.Foldable (sum, length)
 import Data.Array (snoc)
 -- type Accum s a = { accum :: s, value :: a }
 nonsensicalExample :: Accum (Array Int) (Array Int)
 nonsensicalExample = mapAccumL reducer [] [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
   reducer :: Array Int -> Int -> Accum (Array Int) Int
   reducer accumulationSoFar nextValue =
       arrayLength = length accumulationSoFar
       arraySum = sum accumulationSoFar -- foldl (+) 0 accumulationSoFar
     in { accum: accumulationSoFar `snoc` arrayLength `snoc` arraySum
        , value: show $ nextValue + arraySum
        }
produces { accum: [0,0,2,0,4,2,6,8,8,22], value: ["1", "2", "5", "12", "27"] }
```

# **Their Variations**

Once you get how Foldable and Traversable works, the following variations should be pretty easy to grasp

# Variants that include the a value's index

The same as their base type classes, but an additional Int argument represent the a's index in f is included in the map / fold / traverse functions.

- FunctorWithIndex
- FoldableWithIndex
- TraversableWithIndex

# Variants where the f cannot be empty

The same as their base type classes, but the f type must always have at least 1 a value. As a result, the Applicative requirement in the type class' functions can be downgraded to just Apply:

- Foldable1
- Traversable1

# Variants where the f can have 2 types

The same as their base type classes, but as though it was f (Tuple a b) rather than f a:

- Bifoldable
- Bitraversable

Note: as of 0.15.7, a type class instance for BiFoldable and BiTraversable can be derived by the compiler.

# **PureScript Filterable**

The following type classes come from purescript-filterable.

# **Compactable**

```
Compactable
```

# **Filterable**

Filterable generalizes the concept of Array.filter and Array.partition to work arcross more f types.

```
class (Compactable f, Functor f) <= Filterable f where
  filter :: forall a.
    (a -> Boolean) -> f a -> f a

filterMap :: forall a b.
    (a -> Maybe b) -> f a -> f b

partition :: forall a.
    (a -> Boolean) -> f a -> { no :: f a, yes :: f a }

partitionMap :: forall a l r.
    (a -> Either l r) -> f a -> { left :: f l, right :: f r }
```

# Witherable

Witherable is the same as Traversable's traverse but either removes the resulting Nothing S like compact or distinguishes the Left S and the Rights like separate.

Its derived functions, wilted and withered, use sequence instead of traverse.

# **Unfoldable**

# **Usage**

Plain English names:

- Generator
- FP version of a generic "while" loop

#### It enables:

- a way to generate a List of Ints S where each Int in the List is one greater than the previous Int
- a way to run the same Effect / Aff computation multiple times until a given condition is true

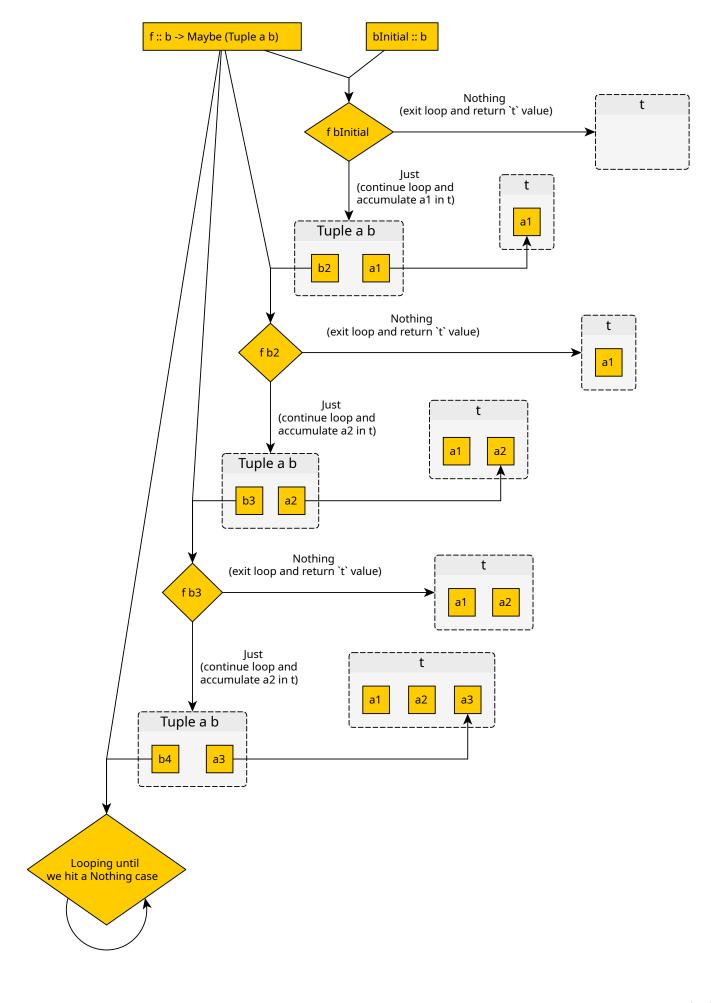
# **Definition**

#### **Code Definition**

Don't look at its docs until after looking at the visual overview in the next section: Unfoldable

```
-- We'll ignore the `Unfoldable1` superclass for now..
class Unfoldable1 t <= Unfoldable t where
  unfoldr :: forall a b. (b -> Maybe (Tuple a b)) -> b -> t a
```

# **Visual Overview**



## **Examples**

We'll implement an instance for List a.

#### List's Instance

```
data List a = Nil | Cons a

instance Unfoldable List where
  unfoldr :: forall a b. (b -> Maybe (Tuple a b)) -> b -> List a
  unfoldr f initialB = case f initialB of
    Nothing -> Nil
    Just (Tuple a nextB) -> Cons a (unfoldr f nextB)
```

#### Laws

None

# **Derived Functions**

#### **Overview of Possible Functions for f**

The only part of unfoldr f initialB we can hard-code in a derived function is the f function. There are three different functions we could use for f:

```
-- We'll use this type alias in the next couple of sections
type UnfoldrFunction a b = b -> Maybe Tuple a b
-- case 1
alwaysReturnJust :: forall a b. a -> b -> UnfoldrFunction a b
alwaysReturnJust a b = \initialB -> Just (Tuple a b)
-- case 2
alwaysReturnNothing :: forall a b. UnfoldrFunction a b
alwaysReturnNothing _ = Nothing
-- case 3
itDepends :: forall a b. UnfoldrFunction a b
itDepends = -- possibilities are shown later
```

Case Name	Derived Function Name	Result
case 1	!!! <b>@@@@</b> !!!	Runtime Error: Infinite loop!
case 2	none	Produces an empty t
case 3	replicate, replicateA, and fromMaybe	see below overviews of each function

Case 1 functions always produce a runtime error due to creating an infinite loop. They will appear in two ways:

#### **Case 3 Functions**

## Using a countdown or countup function to do something n-many times

```
countUp :: forall a. Int -> UnfoldrFunction a Int
countUp limit = \nextInt ->
   if nextInt >= limit then Nothing
   else Just (Tuple aValue (nextInt + 1))

countDown :: forall a. UnfoldrFunction a Int
countDown = \nextInt ->
   if nextInt <= 0 then Nothing
   else Just (Tuple aValue (nextInt - 1))</pre>
```

These kinds of functions are used in the following derived functions:

- replicate Add the same a value to a t container x number of times.
- replicateA Run the same applicative-based computation x number of times and

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store their results in the t container.

# Converting a Maybe into another type that has an Unfoldable instance

• fromMaybe

# **Unfoldable1**

This is the same as Unfoldable except the returned t value must always have at least 1 a value. As a result, it's actually harder to find a data type that can **only** implement Unfoldable 1 but can't implement Unfoldable .

# **Definition**

#### **Code Definition**

```
class Unfoldable1 t where
  unfoldr1 :: forall a b. (b -> Tuple a (Maybe b)) -> b -> t a
```

The only difference between Unfoldable and Unfoldable1 is the type signature for f. In both cases, the b value is inside of a Maybe:

```
-- Unfoldable
f :: forall a b. b -> Maybe (Tuple a b)
-- Unfoldable1
f :: forall a b. b -> Tuple a (Maybe b)
```

## **Laws**

None

# **Derived Functions**

#### Parallels to Unfoldable

Concept	Unfoldable	Unfoldable1
	(t can be	( t can't be

	empty)	empty)
Produce a t value	none	singleton
Add an a n-many times to a t container	replicate	replicate1
Run an applicative-based computation n -many times and store the results in a t container	replicateA	replicate1A
Convert Maybe a to t a	fromMaybe	possible, but not implemented

Unfoldable1 does not have a version of fromMaybe included, but I believe it is possible if one places a Monoid constraint on a and uses mempty when receiving a Nothing case.

# Specific to Unfoldable1

• range

# **Closing Thoughts**

# **Stack-Safe Recursive Functions**

At this point, you should read through the Design Patterns/Stack Safety.md file. That file covers the two other kinds of loops: recursive loops and Effect -based loops like whileE, forE, and untilE.

# When to Use It? Array vs List

Hello. When should I use Array and when List?

It depends on which operations you want to do. Any update on an array is  $\theta(n)$  but random lookup is  $\theta(1)$ . Lists have efficient operations at the front, and everything else is  $\theta(n)$ . Array updates copy all other elements, resulting in twice the memory usage, while for most list operations the result and the source share part of the list. However, lists use a less compact layout in memory.

Rules of thumb: if you create the sequence once and read it many times, use an array. Folds over arrays are faster, length is constant time and lookup is constant time. If you want to constantly manipulate the structure, especially at the front, use a list.

If your number of elements is very small (i.e. n is bounded), try both and measure. Array might in many cases be faster for few elements, even with random updates. Mostly because cloning of arrays is implemented directly in V8, whereas rebuilding lists is done with many many PureScript operations.

See Typeclass abstractions to use for data structures. For algebraic graphs, consider using purescript-alga.

# **Application Structure**

#### Prerequisites:

 You should understand what "smart constructors" are (see Design Patterns folder) and how they work

The upcoming folders will explain

- a small explanation on the onion architecture / 3-Layer Haskell Cake concepts
- an overview of what MTL and Free/Run are and how they work conceptually
- how to structure an FP program via MTL and Free/Run
- folders starting with 1 contain heavily-commented examples of basic programs using these application architecture styles. When learning one particular style, you should look at these programs for what an 'end-result' looks like using that style as well as how it compares to other styles. We'll start with the simplest "hello world" program that uses only one effect and write programs that use more and more effects/ capabilities.

These will later be used to write programs in the Projects folder that run in Node via the console and/or in the Browser via Halogen.

In the functional paradigm, programs are structured in such a way that they look very similar to something called the "onion architecture." **The below videos are optional watching.**Watch them for a clearer idea of what "onion architecture" is:

- A Quick Introduction to Onion Architecture
- Domain-Driven Design through Onion Architecture

Another optional video to watch: Functional Architecture - The Pits of Success. It explains that FP naturally pushes developers towards this architecture whereas other languages push developers away from it.

When we structure our code according to the below table, it provides a number of benefits

- top-down domain-driven design: your data types and your function's type signatures are often your always-up-to-date documentation
- "impure" computations (i.e. computations that do things like state manipulation, reading from a file, network activities) are expressed as a "pure" computation, making them much easier to test
- "Platforms" (i.e. frameworks, databases, etc.) can easily be swapped out with other newer platforms without changing any "business logic" code or potentially introducing regressions

Layer Level	Onion Architecture Term	General idea
Layer 4	Core	Strong types with well-defined properties and their pure, total functions that operate on them
Layer 3	Domain	the "business logic" code which uses "effects," impure computations that are expressed in a pure way
Layer 2	API	the "production" or "test" monad which "links" these pure effects/capabilties to their impure implementations
Layer 1	Infrastructure	the platform-specific framework/libraries we'll use to implement some special effects/capabilities (i.e. Node.ReadLine (terminal-based programs), Halogen / React (web-based UIs))
Layer 0	Machine Code (no equivalent onion term)	<pre>the "base" monad that runs the program (e.g. production: Effect / Aff; test: Identity / Trampoline)</pre>

To get a general idea for the concept this folder is going to try to teach:

- Watch the second half of Code Reuse in PureScript: Functions, Type Classes, and Interpreters and focus on the following section:
  - 'Which code is more reusable' (45:28 50:29):
    - Final Encoding = Provide an implementation as an argument = monad transformers (what we cover first in this folder)
    - Initial Encoding = Interpret a result = Free monad (what we cover second in this folder)
- Optional reading: Final tagless encodings have little to do with typeclasses

Another learning resource that is still a work-in-progress but which will explain more than this work is 'Functional Design and Architecture':

- Reddit post introducing it
- Its current Table of Contents

#### A Word of Thanks

While trying to learn this myself, I benefited from looking at the code in stepchownfun's

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

BSD-3 licensed project, effects , as a guide when I did not completely understand something myself.

## **00-A-Bad-Program.purs**

```
module BadProgram where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Effect.Random (randomInt)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
 log "This is an example of a program that is written in an FP language, \
      \but which is terribly structured. Why? Because it's impossible to test \
      \or otherwise prove that the code works correctly. All of its pure \
      \business logic is intermixed with impure code that makes the \
      \program work."
  initialState <- randomInt 10 20
  int2 <- randomInt 5 20</pre>
  int3 <- randomInt 5 30</pre>
 let nextState = initialState + int2 * int3 / initialState
  int4 <- randomInt 200 900
  int5 <- randomInt 45 80
  int6 <- randomInt 2 3</pre>
  let finalState = nextState * int6 * int5 - int4 + initialState
 log $ "The final output of the program was: " <> show finalState
{-
There's a few issues with this program as it is currently written:
First, it's hard to test. How would you test this program to ensure
    it works properly?
Maybe we want to guarantee that the code will always produce
    a value that is even. Since all of our functions (i.e. the stuff
    we do before storing the next state) receive random integers,
    how could we ensure these functions are defined correctly?
Second, this program does not tell us whether an error can occur
    and, if so, where such an error would appear.
Third, what if we wanted to use a different random number generator
    than the one provided via `Effect.Random (randomInt)`? Let's say
    the first time we run the program, we do want to use 'randomInt.'
    If so, then this works. However, let's say the next time we run
    this program, we want it to use something more complex. Well,
    we don't have an easy way to quickly swap out a random number generator
    without changing our business logic.
```

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

Such problems as these will be fixed/improved if we structure our FP programs using Modern FP Architecture that is covered in this folder.

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## Monads, Effects, and Capabilities

Monads represent sequential computation via bind / >>=: "do X, and once finished, do Y". In our previous example/explanation from Hello World/Prelude/Control-Flow/How the Computer Executes FP Programs.md, we implied that Box could be used to "compute" something. In that example, however, it merely acted as a wrapper around values and functions. When we covered Effect and Aff in their respective folder, we saw that conceptually they operated very similar to Box.

Still, our Box / Effect / Aff examples did not make it clear how Monad s could be a "computation." While bind / >>= insures that one computation occurs before another (i.e. sequential computation), it does not define what kinds of computation are done. Thus, we must explain what "effects"/"capabilities" are.

For the rest of this folder, we'll use the terms, "effects" and "capabilties," interchangeably. Lowercased "effect" refers to something different than the Effect monad.

## **Effects / Capabilities**

To understand what we mean by "effects" (and due to license-related things), read through the first two sentences of Monad transformers, free monads, mtl, laws and a new approach, then continue reading this page.

#### **Examples of Effects / Capabilities**

Capabilities can be grouped together into type class functions that define computations which bind executes in a sequential manner. These type classes are specialized; they are designed to do one thing very very well.

So what kind of "capabilities" can we have? Let's now give some examples via the table below:

When we want a type of computation (effect) that...

... we expect to use functions named something like ...

... which are best abstracted together in a type class called...

When we want a type of computation (effect) that	we expect to use functions named something like	which are best abstracted together in a type class called
Provides for later usage a read-only value/function that may change between different program runs (e.g. "settings" values; dependency injection)	<ul><li>getSettingValue</li><li>getConfigValueStoredOnFile</li><li>getNumberOfPlayersInGame</li></ul>	MonadAsk
Modifies the state of a data structure (e.g. changing the nth value in a list)	<ul> <li>pop stack</li> <li>replaceAt index treeOfStrings "some value"</li> <li>(\int -&gt; int + 1)</li> </ul>	MonadState
Returns a computation's output and additional data that is generated during the computation	<ul><li>See this SO answer</li><li>See this Reddit thread</li></ul>	MonadTell
Stops computation because of a possible error (e.g. "file does not exist")		MonadThrow
Deals with "callback hell" (e.g. de-invert inversion of control)		MonadCont
When we want to extend the functionality of	with the ability to	we can use its extension type class called
MonadAsk	Modify the read-only value for one computation	MonadReader

When we want to extend the functionality of	with the ability to	we can use its extension type class called
	<pre>(e.g. makeFontSizeMoreAccessible getFontSize displayPage)</pre>	
MonadTell	Modify or use the additional non- output data before completing a computation	MonadWriter
MonadThrow	Catch and handle the error that was thrown (e.g. create the missing file)	MonadError

## **Modeling Effects**

In this folder, we'll only cover MTL / ReaderT Design Pattern and Free / Run. The article to which we referred above overviews more ideas, but that is not our current focus. It might be worth returning to it after one has read through the rest of this folder.

#### **Composing Monads**

As we explained previously, bind / >>= 's type signature forces one to only return the same Box -like monad type that is used in bind:

In other words, if we use one monad, we cannot use any other monads. So, how do we get around this limitation?

We saw the same problem earlier when we wanted to run an Effect monad inside of an Aff monad. We fixed it by "lifting" the Effect monad into the Aff monad via a NaturalTransformation / ~> . This was abstracted into a type class specific for Effect ~> someOtherMonad in MonadEffect.

MTL and Free use different approaches to solving this problem and its solution is what creates the Onion Architecture-like idea we mentioned before. As we saw earlier in Nate's video in this folder's ReadMe, mtl is the "Final Encoding" style and Free / Run is the "Initial

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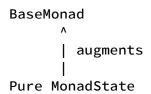
Encoding" style.

The following ideas are quick overviews of each approach. Their terminology and exact details will be explained in their upcoming folder. It is not meant to be clearly understandable at first.

#### MTL Approach

**Monad Transformers** are thus named because they "transform" some other monad by augmenting it with additional functions. One monad (e.g. Box) can only use bind and pure to do sequential computation. However, we can "transform" Box, so that it now has statemanipulating functions like get/set/modify. "MTL" refers to the original "Monad Transformers Library" (I believe).

In the MTL -approach, one models the above effects using functions (we'll show how later). Since monad transformers augment some "base" monad, it creates a stack-like picture (read from bottom to top):



Since each function is a different monadic type, they cannot be used within the same monadic context in do notation. Thus, one gets around this monad-composition problem by creating a "stack" of nested monad transformers (i.e. functions). Following the previous idea, we can define **something similar to** a NaturalTransformation that "lifts" the effects of one monadic function (e.g. a function that implements MonadReader) into another monadic function (e.g. a function that implements MonadState), which augments the base monad. Using a visual, it produces this diagram (read from bottom to top):

```
BaseMonad

A | augments |
Pure MonadState_TargetMonad

A | gets lifted into |
Pure MonadReader_SourceMonad
```

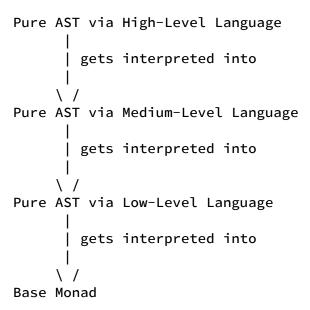
Generalizing this idea, we must ultimately create a "stack" of these function-based monad-transformers. Using a visual, it produces this diagram (read from bottom to top):

This idea is at the heart of the type class called MonadTrans. Again, you should feel somewhat confused right now and a bit overwhelmed. However, we'll refer to these ideas later to help explain why we make some of the design choices that we do. By the end of this folder, this will all make sense.

#### **Free**

In the Free -approach, one models the above effects using data structures (again, we'll show how later). Essentially, one uses domain-specific languages (DSLs) created via data structures to define an Abstract Syntax Tree (AST). Such trees describe computations but do not run them. Later on, an AST is "interpreted" (via a NaturalTransformation / ~> ) into a final base monad that actually runs the computation. Using a visual, it produces this diagram (read top to bottom):

Due to how interpreters work, one can define high-level ASTs that are interpreted into lower-level ASTs before being run by a base monad. Using a visual, it produces this diagram (read from bottom to top):



## **MTL**

#### This folder does 5 things:

- walks the reader through the Function monad and how to read its do notation and how functions can become monad transformers. At the end, we'll describe the whole point of using monad transformers.
- walks the reader through the problems that led us to define the MonadState type class and explains why its function's type signature is defined that way. We'll use this idea to teach the general idea behind all the other monad transformers
- overviews each monad transformer
- explains what problem MonadTrans solves and how the 'monad transformer stack' works
  - See Using Monad Transformers without Understanding Them and its corresponding repo: https://github.com/JordanMartinez/pure-conf-talk
- explains the limitations of monad transformers
- overviews the ReaderT design pattern. At the end, we'll clarify when to use "monad stacks" and when to use the ReaderT design pattern.

## **Explaining the Name**

**Monad Transformers** are thus named because they "transform" some other monad by augmenting it with additional capabilities. One monad (e.g. Box ) can only use bind and pure to do sequential computation. However, we can "transform" Box , so that it now has state-manipulating functions like get / set / modify . Purescript has defined all of these in the library called purescript-transformers .

## **Foundations**

Many people find it very difficult to understand how Monad Transformers actually work. I believe it's because new learners are exposed to too many new things at once, so that they get overwhelemed and likely don't understand why they don't understand.

Rather than jumping into an explanation of what monad transformers are, I'm going to build the necessary scaffolding to make understanding them easier. At the very end, I'll begin to show what problem they solve.

In short, monad transformers make it easier to adhere to the Onion Architecture, so that one can easily test and run their business logic by swapping out the "infrastructure" used. For example, my random number game can use the Terminal environment to allow the player to input their guesses when I am actually running the program. If I want to test my program's business logic, I can "simulate" the user's guesses in a test environment.

In both cases, the same business logic is used, and adjusting it will affect both the real-world use of it and the tests. In other words, there is no 'syncing' problem here between the real business logic that runs my code and the business logic I test.

#### **Folder's Contents**

In this folder, we'll show that a Function can be a Monad and then show how to convert it into a Monad Transformer.

At the very end, we'll summarize why monad transformers are useful and give an overview of how they work.

## **The Function Monad**

#### A Refresher on Monads

Via the Box type, we originally learned what a Monad even is. To refresh our memory, a data type can be called a Monad if it can implement a law-abiding instance for the Monad type class. We then used the Box type to introduce "do notation," which desugars into nested bind / >>= calls.

We later showed that using other monadic types like Maybe, Either, and List led to different control flows. Maybe led to a nested if-then-else statement. Either was similar but returned something when an error occurred. List produced a nested for loop.

However, we never stopped to consider the data type, Function . When we re-examine the Function data type, we'll see that it's naturally a Monad .

## Reviewing Function as a Data Type

Putting it into syntax, Function is defined like this:

```
data Function a b = -- implementation
infix ? Function as ->
-- Thus, when we write this:
intToString :: Int -> String
intToString _ = "a string"
-- It desguars to this:
intToString :: Function Int String
intToString _ = "a string"
```

# Implementing the Monad Type Class Hierarchy's Functions

Let's start implement instances for these type classes. For now, take my word for it that

these implementations satisfy the laws of their respective type classes.

#### **Functor**

#### **Initial Problems**

Let's look at Functor. It's type signature looks like this.

```
class Functor f where
  map :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

This creates the first problem: Functor expects a higher-kinded type, f, that only takes one type. For example, Box a only takes one type. However, Function a b takes two types. So, how can this be resolved? We must assume that Function a b already has its first type. For example...

```
data Function a b = -- implementation

noTypesDefined :: forall a b. Function a b
noTypesDefined = -- implementation

oneTypeDefined :: forall b. Function Int b
oneTypeDefined = -- implementation

allTypesDefined :: Function Int Int
allTypesDefined = -- implementation
```

To make Function higher-kinded by only one type, and not two, we should use something like oneTypeDefined above:

```
class Functor (Function inputType) where
```

#### Implementing map

Getting back to the problem at hand, here's the type signature for Function's map implementation with very helpful names:

It should seem pretty obvious how this gets implemented. Let's walk through this slowly.

1. map returns a new function whose input is input. So, let's use an inline function to do that:

2. Since f is the only function that can "receive" a value of type, input, we have to pass that value into f. f will produce originalOutput, so let's store that in a let binding:

3. Since originalToNew is the only function that can "receive" a value of type, originalOutput, we have to pass the value outputted by f into that function. originalToNew produces a value of the type, newOutput, which gives us the return value of our created function:

As we can see, the types guided us on how to implement this function. If we look at this closer, we can see that it's just function composition.

In real code, normally we use  $\, a \,$ ,  $\, b \,$  as type variable. Therefore, the above snippet will be simplfied to

```
class Functor (Function i) where
  map :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Function i a -> Function i b
  map = (<<<)</pre>
```

#### **Takeaways**

Our first example taught us two things:

- we have to make Function higher-kinded by one less type by specifying its first type (the input) and let the a and b arguments refer to its second type (the output).
- to implement the instance, we have to create a new function by using lambda syntax:
   \argument -> body

#### **Apply**

#### **Initial Problems**

Let's now look at Apply 's apply function. It's type signature looks like this.

```
class (Functor f) <= Apply f where
  apply :: forall a b. f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

Again, let's take this slowly. Notice first the first argument, what should the full type signature of f (a -> b) be if f is Function? Since the f has to be the same for both situations, then f has to be Function input. In other words, the first argument is a function that returns another function:

#### **Implementing** apply

Let's see how to implement this function.

1. Since apply returns a new function, let's start creating one using lambda syntax:

2. At this point, both f and functionInFunction can receive an value of type, input. For right now, let's do what we did last time and only pass it into f. We'll store the output in a let binding:

3. At this point, the only way to get map originalOutput into newOutput is to pass it into the function that's hidden in functionInFunction. How do we get that out? We can pass input into that function. Again, we'll store that output in a let binding:

```
class (Functor (Function inputType)) <= Apply (Function inputType) where</pre>
   apply :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
            Function inputType (originalOutputType -> newOutputType) ->
            Function inputType originalOutputType ->
            Function inputType newOutputType
   apply functionInFunction f = (\input ->
     let
       originalOutput = f input
       originalToNew = functionInFunction input
     in {- body of function -})
  4. We now have all the pieces we need to return newOutput. Let's pass originalOutput
    into originalTonew:
 class (Functor (Function inputType)) <= Apply (Function inputType) where</pre>
   apply :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
            Function inputType (originalOutputType -> newOutputType) ->
            Function inputType originalOutputType ->
            Function inputType newOutputType
   apply functionInFunction f = (\input ->
     let
       originalOutput = f input
       originalToNew = functionInFunction input
     in originalToNew originalOutput)
Great! Can we clean it up now?
 class (Functor (Function inputType)) <= Apply (Function inputType) where</pre>
   apply :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
            Function inputType (originalOutputType -> newOutputType) ->
            Function inputType originalOutputType ->
            Function inputType newOutputType
   apply functionInFunction f = (\input -> (functionInFunction input) (f input))
```

#### **Takeaways**

Our second example taught us the following:

• to get all the pieces necessary to implement a type class' function, we sometimes need to pass the input value into multiple functions.

#### **Applicative**

Let's now look at Applicative 's pure function. It's type signature looks like this.

```
class (Apply f) <= Applicative f where
  pure :: forall a. a -> f a
```

Converting f into Function input, we get this type signature:

```
class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Applicative (Function inputType) where
  pure :: forall outputType. outputType -> Function inputType outputType
```

Let's see how to implement it.

1. Since pure returns a new function, let's start creating one using lambda syntax:

```
class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Applicative (Function inputType) where
  pure :: forall outputType. outputType -> Function inputType outputType
  pure value = (\input -> {- body of function -})
```

2. Since the function must return value as its output, let's ignore the argument and just return that value.

```
class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Applicative (Function inputType) where
  pure :: forall outputType. outputType -> outputType
  pure value = (\input -> value)
```

Let's clean this one up:

```
class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Applicative (Function inputType) where
  pure :: forall outputType. outputType -> Function inputType outputType
  pure value = (\_ -> value)
```

#### **Bind**

#### Implementing bind

Let's now look at Bind's bind function. It's type signature looks like this.

```
class (Functor m) <= Bind m where
bind :: forall a b. (a -> m b) -> m a -> m b
```

Converting m into Function input, we get this type signature:

Let's see how to implement it.

1. Since bind returns a new function, let's start creating one using lambda syntax:

2. Since f is the only function that can "receive" the input value, let's pass it into f and store the output:

3. Since originalToFunction can "receive" the originalOutput value, let's pass that into originalToFunction and store its result in a let binding:

4. Since inputToNewOutput is the only function that can produce the newOutput value, let's pass input into it to get that value:

```
class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Bind (Function inputType) where</pre>
   bind :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
            (originalOutputType -> Function inputType newOutputType) ->
           Function inputType originalOutputType ->
           Function inputType newOutputType
   bind originalToFunction f = (\input ->
     let
       originalOutput = f input
       inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
     in inputToNewOutput input)
Let's now clean it up. First we'll get rid of that inputToNewOutput binding:
 class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Bind (Function inputType) where</pre>
   bind :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
            (originalOutputType -> Function inputType newOutputType) ->
           Function inputType originalOutputType ->
           Function inputType newOutputType
   bind originalToFunction f = (\input ->
     let
       originalOutput = f input
     in (originalToFunction originalOutput) input)
Second, we'll get rid of that originalOutput binding:
 class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Bind (Function inputType) where</pre>
   bind :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
            (originalOutputType -> Function inputType newOutputType) ->
            Function inputType originalOutputType ->
           Function inputType newOutputType
```

As can be seen, this example was a slightly more complicated version of apply in that we needed to pass input to multiple functions.

bind originalToFunction f = (\input -> (originalToFunction (f input)) input)

### **Summary of Our Takeaways**

- map example:
  - we have to make Function higher-kinded by one less type by specifying its first type (the input) and let the a and b arguments refer to its second type (the output).
  - to implmement the instance, we have to create a new function by using lambda
     syntax: \argument -> body

- apply / bind example:
  - o to get all the pieces necessary to return the b / newOutput value, we sometimes need to pass the input value into multiple functions.

### **Resugaring** Function

In our code above, we desugared  $(a \rightarrow b)$  into Function a b. What would happen if we resugared our type class instances above back into  $\rightarrow$ ? How would we write it then?

```
class Functor ((->) inputType) where
  map :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
         (originalOutputType -> newOutputType) ->
         (inputType -> originalOutputType) -> (inputType -> newOutputType)
  map originalToNew f = (\input ->
    let originalOutput = f input
    in originalToNew originalOutput)
class (Functor ((->) inputType)) <= Apply ((->) inputType) where
  apply :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
           (inputType -> (originalOutputType -> newOutputType)) ->
           (inputType -> originalOutputType) ->
           (inputType -> newOutputType)
  apply functionInFunction f = (\input ->
    let
      originalOutput = f input
      originalToNew = functionInFunction input
    in originalToNew originalOutput)
class (Apply ((->) inputType)) <= Applicative ((->) inputType) where
  pure :: forall outputType. outputType -> (inputType -> outputType)
  pure value = (\_ -> value)
class (Apply ((->) inputType)) <= Bind ((->) inputType) where
  bind :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
          (originalOutputType -> (inputType -> newOutputType)) ->
          (inputType -> originalOutputType) ->
          (inputType -> newOutputType)
  bind originalToFunction f = (\input ->
    let
      originalOutput = f input
      inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
    in inputToNewOutput input)
```

## **Monadic Function Examples**

This file will help you learn how to read a monadic function's "do notation." We'll take some very simple examples and do a graph reduction on them to show how a series of bind / >>= calls are evaluated into a final value.

## **Function Implementations**

To help us evaluate these examples manually, we'll include our verbose "not cleaned up" solutions from the previous file here (except for the Applicative one):

```
class Functor (Function inputType) where
 map :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
         (originalOutputType -> newOutputType) ->
         Function inputType originalOutputType ->
         Function inputType newOutputType
 map originalToNew f = (\input ->
    let originalOutput = f input
    in originalToNew originalOutput)
class (Functor (Function inputType)) <= Apply (Function inputType) where</pre>
  apply :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
           Function inputType (originalOutputType -> newOutputType) ->
           Function inputType originalOutputType ->
           Function inputType newOutputType
  apply functionInFunction f = (\input ->
   let
      originalOutput = f input
      originalToNew = functionInFunction input
    in originalToNew originalOutput)
-- Since pure ignores its argument, I'll use the cleaned up version
-- here because it's easier to understand
class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Applicative (Function inputType) where</pre>
  pure :: forall outputType. outputType -> Function inputType outputType
  pure value = (\_ -> value)
class (Apply (Function inputType)) <= Bind (Function inputType) where</pre>
  bind :: forall originalOutputType newOutputType.
          (originalOutputType -> Function inputType newOutputType) ->
          Function inputType originalOutputType ->
          Function inputType newOutputType
  bind originalToFunction f = (\input ->
      originalOutput = f input
      inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
    in inputToNewOutput input)
```

### Example 1: pure

Let's say I have the following code using "do notation"

```
someComputation = do
  pure 1
```

Let's break it down:

```
pure 1
-- replace `pure` with implementation
(\_ -> 1)
```

This reveals the first issue with learning how to read "do notation" for monadic functions: the entire thing is one massive function. someComputation is not a value; it's a function that expects an input.

To actually use it, we'd need to write something like this:

```
produceAValue = someComputation "example input"
  where
  someComputation = do
    pure 1
```

## Example 2: single bind

Let's say I have the following code using "do notation"

```
produceValue = someComputation 4
  where
  someComputation = do
   value <- \four -> 1 + four
   pure (value + 5)
```

Let's break it down:

```
produceValue = someComputation 4
 where
  someComputation = do
    value <- \four -> 1 + four
    pure (value + 5)
-- hide the "produceValue" part and focus only on the 'someComputation' part
  value <- \four -> 1 + four
  pure (value + 5)
-- desugar do notation into nested >>= calls
(\four -> 1 + four) >>= (\value ->
  pure (value + 5)
)
-- desguar >>= into bind
bind (\four -> 1 + four) (\value ->
 pure (value + 5)
)
-- replace `bind` with definition
(\input ->
 let
    originalOutput = (four \rightarrow 1 + four) input
    originalToFunction = (\value -> pure (value + 5))
    inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
  in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- replace `pure` with definition
(\input ->
 let
    originalOutput = (\four -> 1 + four) input
    originalToFunction = (\value -> (\_ -> value + 5))
    inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
 in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- uncurry the curried function due to `pure` definition replacement
(\input ->
 let
    originalOutput = (\four -> 1 + four) input
    originalToFunction = (\value _ -> value + 5)
    inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
  in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- apply argument to `originalOutput` (`four` becomes `input`)
(\input ->
 let
    originalOutput = (\input -> 1 + input)
```

```
originalToFunction = (\value _ -> value + 5)
    inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
 in inputToNewOutput input
-- evaluate `originalOutput`
(\input ->
 let
   originalOutput = 1 + input
    originalToFunction = (\value _ -> value + 5)
    inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction originalOutput
 in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- replace `originalOutput` with its implementation
(\input ->
 let
    originalToFunction = (\value _ -> value + 5)
    inputToNewOutput = originalToFunction (1 + input)
 in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- inline `originalToFunction`'s definition
(\input ->
 let
    inputToNewOutput = (\value _ -> value + 5) (1 + input)
 in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- apply the first argument to the function
(\input ->
 let
    inputToNewOutput = ((1 + input) _ -> (1 + input) + 5)
 in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- Remove the applied argument
(\input ->
 let
                                     _ -> (1 + input) + 5)
    inputToNewOutput = (\
 in inputToNewOutput input
)
-- inline `inputToNewOutput`
(\input ->
  (\ -\ ) (1 + input) + 5) input
-- apply the `input` argument, which gets ignored
(\input ->
         (1 + input) + 5)
)
```

```
-- finish cleaning up the code
(\input -> (1 + input) + 5))
(\input -> 1 + input + 5)
-- re-reveal the "produceValue" part
produceValue = someComputation 4
   where
   someComputation = (\input -> 1 + input + 5)
-- inline `someComputation`
produceValue = (\input -> 1 + input + 5) 4
-- apply the argument
produceValue = (\4 -> 1 + 4 + 5)
-- remove the lambda argument
produceValue = 1 + 4 + 5
-- Evaluate it
produceValue = 10
```

## Example 3: multiple bind

I'll leave this up to the reader to reduce, but the syntax should make it clear how it works (4 is always the initial input in each function below):

```
produceValue = someComputation 4
  where
  someComputation = do
    five <- (\four -> 1 + four)
    three <- (\fourAgain -> 7 - fourAgain)
    two <- (\fourOnceMore -> 13 + fourOnceMore - five * three)
    (\fourTooMany -> 8 - two + three)
```

## **Special Output**

Previously, we wrote the instances for a normal  $(a \rightarrow b)$  function. But this is only one possible function! What if we modified that function, so that it outputted something different than just b? The reader might ask, "But if map, apply, pure, and bind all require the output/b type to be polymorphic (i.e. it should work for all b s), what type could we possibly return?"

Since b must still be polymorphic, why don't we wrap it in a higher-kinded type? For example, why not change  $(a \rightarrow b)$  to  $(a \rightarrow Box b)$ ? How would we implement those type class instances?

### Newtyping our Function

If our goal is to write instances for the function,  $(a \rightarrow Box b)$ , how can we ensure this function's type signature never changes? We can wrap the function in a newtype:

```
newtype OutputBox a b = OutputBox (a -> Box b)
```

This creates a new problem. When we originally evaluated a monadic function, we could pass the value to the function without problem: produceValue = someComputation 4.

Since our above function is now wrapped in a newtype, we need a way to easily unwrap the newtype and pass the argument to the function. Why don't we create a function called runOutputBox to do just that?

```
runOutputBox :: forall a b. OutputBox a b -> a -> Box b
runOutputBox (OutputBox function) argument = function argument
```

Now we're ready to implement instances for OutputBox

#### **Functor**

#### Implementing map

Let's look at Functor again.

```
class Functor f where
  map :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

Following the same idea as before, we can convert m into OutputBox input and get this type signature:

```
instance Functor (OutputBox input) where
  map :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
                (originalOutput -> newOutput) ->
                OutputBox input originalOutput ->
                OutputBox input newOutput
  map originalToNew (OutputBox f) = -- implementation
```

Let's see how to implement it.

1. Since map returns an OutputBox type, let's start by first creating a newtype constructor:

2. The type, OutputBox, wraps a function, so let's use lambda syntax to create a new one:

3. Since f is the only argument that can receive the input value, let's pass input into f and store its output in a let binding:

We have a problem. Do you know what it is? OutputBox a b is really  $(a \rightarrow Box b)$ . So, f in the code above produces a value of the type, Box originalOutput.

Hmm... When we defined map for Function input, we could pass originalOutput directly into originalToNew at this point. However, originalOutput is currently stuck inside of Box . So, we have two questions.

- 1. How do we get originalOutput out of the Box?
- 2. Once we get a value of the desired type, newOutput, how do we stick it back into the Box?

In other words, our situation can be expressed in a type signature:

```
someFunction :: Box originalOutput -> Box newOutput
```

Wait! Doesn't that look very similar to Functor 's map?

```
map :: (originalOutput -> newOutput) -> Box originalOutput -> Box newOutput
```

And isn't originalToNew a function with this exact type signature: (originalOutput -> newOutput) ? And doesn't Box itself have an instance for Functor.

4. Use Box 's map to finish implementing the function.

Great! Let's clean it up by inlining boxStoringOriginalOutput.

#### **Takeaways**

Lessons we learned in this example:

• to implement Functor for (a -> Box b), we needed to use Box 's Functor instance.

## **Apply**

```
Let's now look at Apply.
```

```
class (Functor f) <= Apply f where
  apply :: forall a b. f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

Our function will have this type signature:

1. As before, let's implement the shell of our return type: a newtype wrapper around a function created using lambda syntax:

2. Let's pass input into f:

```
instance (Functor (OutputBox input)) <= Apply (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  apply :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
           OutputBox input (originalOutput -> newOutput) ->
           OutputBox input originalOutput ->
           OutputBox input newOutput
  apply (OutputBox inputToFunction) (OutputBox f) = OutputBox (\input ->
      let boxStoringOriginalOput = f input
      in {- body of function -}
 3. Let's pass input into inputToFunction to expose function:
instance (Functor (OutputBox input)) <= Apply (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  apply :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
           OutputBox input (originalOutput -> newOutput) ->
           OutputBox input originalOutput ->
           OutputBox input newOutput
  apply (OutputBox inputToFunction) (OutputBox f) = OutputBox (\input ->
        boxStoringOriginalOutput = f input
        boxStoringOriginalToNew = inputToFunction input
      in {- body of function -}
    )
```

Hmm... This seems similar to what happened before. We have two boxes that are both storing values. When we tried implementing the Functor instance for our function, we used Box 's Functor definition. If we look at the types of our Box es, we'll see that this coincidence applies here, too. boxStoringOriginalToNew has type, Box (originalOutput - > newOutput) While boxStoringOriginalOutput has type, Box originalOutput. So, let's use Box 's Apply instance to finish the function!

#### **Takeaways**

Lessons we learned in this example:

• to implement Apply for (a -> Box b), we needed to use Box's Apply instance.

## **Applicative**

You've probably noticed a pattern by now. To implement a type class for our function, we need to use Box 's corresponding instance for that type class.

We'll do this one quickly.

```
class (Apply f) <= Applicative f where
  pure :: forall a. a -> f a

instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Applicative (OutputBox input) where
  pure :: forall a. a -> (OutputBox input) a
  pure value = OutputBox (\_ -> pure value {- Box's `pure` -})
```

#### **Bind**

We'll do this one a bit more slowly.

```
class (Apply m) <= Bind m where</pre>
  bind :: forall a b. m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b
-- convert `f` into `OutputBox input`
instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Bind (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  bind :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
          OutputBox input originalOutput ->
          (originalOutput -> OutputBox input newOutput) ->
          OutputBox input newOutput
  bind (OutputBox inputToOriginal) originalToFunction = -- implementation
-- Write the initial newtype constructor wrapping a function created
-- via lambda syntax
instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Bind (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  bind :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
          OutputBox input originalOutput ->
          (originalOutput -> OutputBox input newOutput) ->
          OutputBox input newOutput
  bind (OutputBox inputToOriginal) originalToFunction = OutputBox (\input ->
      {- body of function -}
    )
-- expose the `boxOriginalOutput` value
instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Bind (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  bind :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
          OutputBox input originalOutput ->
          (originalOutput -> OutputBox input newOutput) ->
          OutputBox input newOutput
 bind (OutputBox inputToOriginal) originalToFunction = OutputBox (\input ->
      let boxOriginalOutput = inputToOriginal input
      in {- body of function -}
    )
-- use `Box`'s `bind` to reveal `originalOutput`
instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Bind (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  bind :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
          OutputBox input originalOutput ->
          (originalOutput -> OutputBox input newOutput) ->
          OutputBox input newOutput
 bind (OutputBox inputToOriginal) originalToFunction = OutputBox (\input ->
      let boxOriginalOutput = inputToOriginal input
      in bind boxOriginalOutput (\originalOutput ->
           {- body of function -}
    )
-- pass `originalOutput` into `originalToFunction`
-- and use pattern matching to expose the function wrapped in the `OutpuBox`
instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Bind (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  bind :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
          OutputBox input originalOutput ->
          (originalOutput -> OutputBox input newOutput) ->
```

```
OutputBox input newOutput
  bind (OutputBox inputToOriginal) originalToFunction = OutputBox (\input ->
      let boxOriginalOutput = inputToOriginal input
      in bind box0riginalOutput (\originalOutput ->
           let (OutputBox inputToNew) = originalToFunction originalOutput
           in {- body of function -}
    )
-- pass `input` into `inputToNew`, which produces `Box newOutput` and
-- satisfies the type signature of `bind`.
instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Bind (OutputBox input) where</pre>
  bind :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
          OutputBox input originalOutput ->
          (originalOutput -> OutputBox input newOutput) ->
          OutputBox input newOutput
 bind (OutputBox inputToOriginal) originalToFunction = OutputBox (\input ->
      let boxOriginalOutput = inputToOriginal input
      in bind boxOriginalOutput (\originalOutput ->
           let (OutputBox inputToNew) = originalToFunction originalOutput
           in inputToNew input
    )
```

If we were to clean up the finished code above, we would write this:

## **Generalizing** Box to any Monad

If we look at our final instances below (they were copied from above), we'll see that we never once used Box explicitly. Rather, we could have replaced Box with any monadic data type and we would still be able to implement instances of these type class' functions that satisfy their type signatures.

```
instance Functor (OutputBox input) where
   map :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
          (originalOutput -> newOutput) ->
          OutputBox input originalOutput ->
          OutputBox input newOutput
   map originalToNew (OutputBox f) = OutputBox (\input ->
       map originalToNew (f input)
 instance (Functor (OutputBox input)) <= Apply (OutputBox input) where</pre>
   apply :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
            OutputBox input (originalOutput -> newOutput) ->
            OutputBox input originalOutput ->
            OutputBox input newOutput
   apply (OutputBox inputToFunction) (OutputBox f) = OutputBox (\input ->
       let
         boxStoringOriginalOutput = f input
         boxStoringOriginalToNew = inputToFunction input
       in apply boxStoringOriginalToNew boxStoringOriginalOutput
     )
 instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Applicative (OutputBox input) where</pre>
   pure :: forall a. a -> (OutputBox input) a
   pure value = OutputBox (\_ -> pure value)
 instance (Apply (OutputBox input)) <= Bind (OutputBox input) where</pre>
   bind :: forall originalOutput newOutput.
           OutputBox input originalOutput ->
           (originalOutput -> OutputBox input newOutput) ->
           OutputBox input newOutput
   bind (OutputBox inputToOriginal) originalToFunction =
     OutputBox (\input -> do
       originalOutput <- inputToOriginal input
       let (OutpuBox inputToNew) = originalToFunction originalOutput
       inputToNew input
     )
If we were to generalize our function to a monad, it would look like this:
 newtype OutputMonad a m b = (a \rightarrow m b)
 runOutputMonad :: forall m a b. Monad m => OutputMonad a m b -> a -> m b
 runOutputMonad (OutputMonad function) arg = function arg
```

# Introducing Monad Transformers and Capabilities

## **Comparing** Function input output **to** OutputBox input output

When we initially covered the original monadic function,  $(a \rightarrow b)$ , we discovered that it's "do notation" could be read like this:

```
produceValue = someComputation 4
where
someComputation = do
  five <- (\four -> 1 + four)
  three <- (\fourAgain -> 7 - fourAgain)
  two <- (\fourOnceMore -> 13 + fourOnceMore - five * three)
  (\fourTooMany -> 8 - two + three)
```

The above computation demonstrates something important: the argument, 4, passed to someComputation is always available in its do notation despite the argument, 4, never appearing as an argument in someComputation 's definition.

```
-- In other words, we have this...
someComputation = do
   -- code...
-- ... not this...
someComputation argumentThatIsFour = do
   -- some code
```

The normal (a -> b) function allows us to reference the argument we pass into the function at any point in its do notation. Unfortunately, since the return value of that function is b, we are limited to only writing pure code. In other words, someComputation is a computation that can never interact with the outside world.

But what happens if we use the OutputMonad / (a -> monad b) function? Since it outputs a monadic data type, what if that monadic data type was Effect or Aff? If so, the resulting code would be very hard to read:

But what if we expressed the same idea using capabilities via type class constraints? This is the same code as above:

## **Introducing** ReaderT

To see this from a slighty different angle, we'll cover a few things before linking to an example showing how a computation "evolves" into the Reader monad.

OutputMonad is better known as ReaderT:

- when ReaderT 's monadic type is a real monad, we call it ReaderT
- when ReaderT 's monadic type is Identity (placeholder monadic type), we call it Reader.

It's corresponding type class is MonadReader.

Watch a computation "evolve" into the Reader monad in the Monad Reader Example.

#### **Monad Transformers Summarized**

#### The Main Idea

This is the whole point of using monadic functions that output monadic data types: **they allow us to encode all of our business logic as one massive pure function.** 

If the underlying outputted monadic data type is	then running our code will 
Effect / Aff ("impure" monads)	execute a program
<pre>Identity ^/ Trampoline ^^ ("pure" monad)</pre>	allow us test our business logic

^ Identity is what you get if Box was a newtype rather than data. In other words, newtype Identity a = Identity a . identity is a function that returns as output its input. Thus, it's often used as a "placeholder" / mempty function value. Similarly, Identity a is a type that reduces to the a type at runtime. Thus, it's often used as a "placeholder" / mempty -like monadic type. ^^ Trampoline is a monad that we haven't introduced yet.

With one monad, we can prove that our business logic works as expected and does not have any bugs, and with another monad, we can execute that same business logic as a useful program.

This helps us understand the name behind "Monad Transformers". Monadic functions that return other monadic data types (i.e.  $a \rightarrow m b$ ) are called "Monad Transformers" because they transform (or augment) the base monad with additional capabilities. They are the "implementation" that makes all of this work.

However, we use type classes like MonadReader, MonadState, MonadWriter, etc. to express that a given computation can only be run if their implementation can satisfy the required capabilities.

In short, we use type classes above to "write" our business logic and monad transformers to "run" our business logic.

#### **Breaking It Down**

First, there is a type class that indicates that some underlying monad has the **capability** to

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do some effect (e.g. state manipulation via MonadState).

Second, there is a default implementation for that class via a monadic newtyped function (e.g. ReaderT). As we will see later, such functions add in specific effects, reduce some of the syntax boilerplate one might write, and make impossible states impossible. When we wish to transform some other monad, we use the newtyped monadic functions that end with T as in "transformer" (e.g. ReaderT). However, if we don't want to transform a monad (i.e. just use Identity to act as a placeholder monadic type), then we remove that T (e.g. Reader).

Third, the general pattern (there are exceptions!) that we will see reappear when overviewing the other Monad Transformers:

- There is a type class called Monad[Word] where [Word] clarifies what functions the type class provides. This type class indicates that some underlying monad has some **capability**.
- There is a single default implementation for Monad[Word] called [Word] T. When the monad type is specialized to Identity, it's simply called [Word].
- To run a computation using Monad[Word], we must use either run[Word]
   computation arg (i.e. the monad is Identity) or run[Word] T computation arg (i.e. a
   non-Identity monad).

Putting it into a table, we get this.

Type Class	Sole Implementation ( m is real monad)	Sole Implementation ( m is Identity)	
	function that runs it	function that runs it	
Monad[Word]	[Word]T	[Word]	
(General Pattern)	run[Word]T	run[Word]	
MonadState	StateT	State	
	runStateT	runState	
MonadReader	ReaderT	Reader	
	runReaderT	runReader	
MonadWriter	WriterT	Writer	
	runWriterT	runWriter	
MonadCont	ContT	Cont	

Type Class	Sole Implementation ( m is real monad)	<pre>Sole Implementation   (m is Identity)</pre>	
	function that runs it runCont	function that runs it	
MonadError	ExceptT runExceptT	Except runExcept	

To summarize each monad transformer, we'll use another table. **The below terms for** "pure" and "impure" refer to whether the computations can interact with the real world.:

A basic function	is used to run a <b>pure</b> computation 	can be "upgraded" to a monad transformer	which is used to run an <b>impure</b> computation 
input -> output	that depends on its input	<pre>globalValue -&gt; monad outputThatUsesGlobalValue ReaderT</pre>	that depends on some global configuration
state -> Tuple output state	that does state manipulation	<pre>oldState -&gt; monad (Tuple   (output, newState)) StateT</pre>	that does state manipulation
function \$ arg	once an argument is fully computed	\function -> output ContT	and periodically use a function passed in as an argument to compute something

Some monad transformers just specify what their output type will be:

... that is used ... can be put into a
A basic return to run a pure Monad and become value... computation a monad computation ... transformer...

A basic return value	that is used to run a <b>pure</b> computation 	can be put into a Monad and become a monad transformer	which is used to run an <b>impure</b> computation 
Tuple output additionalOutput	that also produces additional output	<pre>monad (Tuple (output, accumulatedValue) WriterT</pre>	that produces accumulated data as additional output
Either e a	that handles partial functions	monad (Either e a) ExceptT	that may fail and the error matters
Maybe a	that might not return a value	monad (Maybe a) MaybeT	that might not return a value
List a	that produces 0 or more values	monad (List a) ListT	that produces 0 or more values

Once again, the "base monad" that usually inhibits  $\, m \,$  in the "stack" of nested monad transformers is usually one of two things:

- Effect / Aff: impure monads that actually make our business logic useful
- Identity / Free: pure monads that test our business logic.

## Implementing a Monad Transformer

This folder will show the thought process one would take to implement a monad transformer (e.g. the type class and its implementation) for manipulating state in a monad stack. The lessons learned/demonstrated in this folder will make it easier to understand the standard monad transformers covered in the rest of this MTL folder.

## **Looking at OO for a Pattern**

We'll look at three examples of OO code to help us understand it's equivalent in FP code.

## **Incrementing an Integer**

Given this code:

```
a = 0;
x = a++;
y = a++;
z = a++;
// which we'll rewrite to use a function that receives an argument
a = 0;
x = getAndIncrement(a);
y = getAndIncrement(a);
z = getAndIncrement(a);
```

getAndIncrement is an example of an impure function because it does not return the same value each time it is called. Moreover, a 's value changes over time, so that a /= 0 at the end of our program. How might we write the same thing using pure functions? We'll demonstrate a few attempts and explain their problems before showing the final working solution

```
// we'll make the function pure
// and call it "add1"
var add1 = (i) => i + 1;

a = 0;
x = add1(a);
y = add1(a);
z = add1(a);
// Values end states are:
a == 0
x == y == z == 1
```

The problem is add1 receives the wrong state as an argument. If we pass the returned state from our previous call into the next call, we can resolve this problem:

```
a = 0;
x = add1(a);
y = add1(x);
z = add1(y);
// Values end states are:
a == 0
x == 1
y == 2
z == 3
```

At this point, we could do state manipulation using a recursive function...

```
runNTimes :: forall a. Int -> (a -> a) -> a -> a
runNTimes 0 _ output = output
runNTimes count func arg = runNTimes (count - 1) func (func arg)
```

... but state manipulation is more complicated than that. What if we wanted to add 1 at one point and add 2 at another? What if we want to subtract 5 as well? In short, this approach does not work when we increase the complexity of the state manipulation. The next two examples will focus on a different kind of state manipulation.

#### **Random Number Generators**

Given this code:

```
x = random.nextInt
y = random.nextInt
z = random.nextInt

// rewritten to use "function arg" syntax
x = nextInt(random);
y = nextInt(random);
z = nextInt(random);
```

nextInt is an impure function because it does not return the same value each time it is called. How might we write the same thing using pure functions? We'll demonstrate a few attempts and explain their problems before showing the final working solution

```
// Assume that `nextInt` is now pure...
x = nextInt(random);
y = nextInt(random);
// ... then 'x' ALWAYS equals 'y'
// A random number can sometimes be the same one as before,
// but this shouldn't always be true

// To make `x /= y`, we need a new `random` value, something like:
x = nextInt(random1);
y = nextInt(random2);
```

The solution is to make nextInt return two things via the Tuple a b type

- the random int value
- a new value of random

```
(Tuple x random2) = nextInt(random1);
(Tuple y random3) = nextInt(random2);
```

where Tuple a b is just a box that holds two values of the same/different types:

```
data Tuple a b = Tuple a b
```

## **Popping Stacks**

We'll explain this idea once more using a different context: Stacks. In OO, we can write the following code:

```
// assuming we have a non-empty stack:
// (top) [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] (bottom)
x = stack.pop // x == 1
y = stack.pop // y == 2
z = stack.pop // z == 3

// rewritten using "function arg" syntax
x = pop(stack);
y = pop(stack);
z = pop(stack);
```

pop is an impure function as calling it will not return the same value each time it is called. How might we write the same thing using pure functions?

```
// Assume that `nextInt` is now pure...
x = pop(stack);
y = pop(stack);
// ... we just popped the same value twice off of the stack
// so that 'x' is always the same value/object as 'y'
// In other words
pop(stack) == x == y == 1

// To make `y` == 2, we need a version of `stack` that will return `2`
// as its next value to `pop`. In other words, something like...
x = pop(originalStack);
y = pop(originalStack_withoutX);
```

The solution is to make pop return two things via the Tuple a b type:

- the popped value
- a new version of stack without the popped value

```
(Tuple x originalStack_withoutX) = pop(originalStack);
(Tuple y originalStack_withoutXorY) = pop(originalStack_withoutX);
```

## **Identifying the Pattern**

Here's the solution we came up with:

Turning this into Purescript syntax, we get:

```
state_manipulation_function :: forall state value. (state -> Tuple value state)
```

## Implementing the Pattern

Here's the solution we came up with:

```
(Tuple x random2) = randomInt(random1);
(Tuple y random3) = randomInt(random2);
(Tuple x originalStack_withoutX) = pop(originalStack);
(Tuple y originalStack_withoutXorY) = pop(originalStack_withoutX);
// and generalizing it to a pattern, we get
(Tuple value1, value2
                           ) = stateManipulation(value1);
(Tuple value2, value3 ) = stateManipulation(value2);
(Tuple value3, value4 ) = stateManipulation(value3);
// ...
(Tuple value_N, value_N_plus_1) = stateManipulation(valueN);
```

Turning this into Purescript syntax, we get:

```
state_manipulation_function :: forall state value. (state -> Tuple value state)
```

## **Syntax Familiarity**

Starting with a simple example written using meta-language, we can simulate the state manipulation syntax when it's only run once. Unlike the "add 1 to integer" problem from before, this will return the integer state as a String, not an Int:

## Why We Need a Monad

What if we want to run add1 four times?

Knowing that we have more complicated state manipulation ahead of us (e.g. Stacks), we should follow the pattern we identified above:

- 1. Pass an initial state value into add1, which outputs Tuple nextStateAsString nextState
- 2. Extract the nextState part of the Tuple
- 3. Pass nextState into another add1 call
- 4. Loop a few times
- 5. Pass the last state into add and return its output: Tuple lastStateAsString lastState.

In code, this looks like:

```
type State = Int
type Value = String
type Count = Int
add1 :: (State -> Tuple Value State)
add1 oldState
 let theNextState = oldState + 1
 in Tuple (show theNextState) theNextState
add1_FourTimes :: State -> Tuple Value State
add1_FourTimes initialState = runNTimes 4 add1 initialState
runNTimes :: Count -> (State -> Tuple Value State) -> State -> Tuple Value
runNTimes 1 add1_ nextState = add1_ nextState
runNTimes count add1_ nextState =
  runNTimes (count - 1) add1_ (getSecond $ add1_ i)
 where
 getSecond :: Tuple Value State -> Int
 getSecond (Tuple _ state) = state
```

This works but only because it's so simple. Let's say we want to call add1 on the first state, then call times2 on the second state, and then return the output of calling add1 on the third state. How would we update our code to do that?

We could try to specify a stack of functions (using an array or some other stack-like data structure) that are used to recursively evaluate the next state outputted by the previous function. **Below is not a working example** of how one would write that, **but merely demonstrates the heart** behind it:

```
type Stack a = Array a
type State = Int
type Value = String

-- This code doesn't type check!
-- It exists for teaching purposes only!
runUsingFunctions :: Stack (State -> Tuple Value State) -> State -> Tuple Value
State
runUsingFunctions [last] state = last state
runUsingFunctions [second, last] = runUsingFunctions [last] (getSecond $ second state)
runUsingFunctions [first, second, last] state =
  runUsingFunctions [second, last] (getSecond $ first state)

where
  getSecond :: Tuple Value State -> State
  getSecond (Tuple _ state) = state
```

Conceptually, there are two problems with the above code.

- 1. If we change the value type for one function so that it's different from all other function in the stack (e.g. toNumber :: Int -> Tuple Number Int), the above code will no longer compile.
- 2. We cannot use a function that receives the next state AND value(s) produced by previous function(s) as its arguments.

As an example for the second point, how could we use these two functions in the same state manipulation workflow:

```
firstFunction :: State1 -> Tuple Value1 State2
fourthFunction :: State4 -> Value1 -> Tuple Value4 State5
```

The following function, crazyFunction, demonstrates both of these problems without the intermediary second and third functions:

- 1. Take some initialState value
- 2. Pass that value into add1 :: State -> Tuple Int Int, which returns Tuple value1
  state2
- 3. Pass value and state2 into addValue1StringLengthTo :: Int -> Int -> Tuple
   String Int where
  - value will be converted into a String, called valueAsString
  - the length of valueAsString will be added to state2, which produces state3
  - state3 is converted into a String, called value2
  - the function returns Tuple value2 state3
- 4. Return addStringLengthTo 'S Output: Tuple value2 nextState3

To write crazyFunction, we need something more like sequential computation, which implies bind / >>= . However, bind requires a Monad to work. With these clues, we need a function whose type signature looks something like this:

Putting this all together, we get this:

```
someFunction :: forall state monad value
              . Monad monad
             -- the state manipulation function...
             => (state -> Tuple value state)
             -- (the initial/next state)
             -> state
             -- whose output gets lifted into a Monad that makes `bind` work,
             -- so we can compose multiple state manipulating functions
             -- together into one function
             -> monad (Tuple value state))
someFunction function initialOrNextState =
    let tuple = function initialOrNextState
      -- lift it into the Monad to
      -- enable sequential computation via bind
    in pure tuple
  )
-- our Monad type
data Box a = Box a
unwrapBox :: forall a. Box a -> a
unwrapBox (Box a) = a
addStringLengthTo :: Int -> Int -> Tuple String Int
addStringLengthTo value state =
  let valueAsString = show value
      state3 = state + (length valueAsString)
  in Tuple (show state3) state3
-- Uses `someFunction` to compose multiple state functions together into one
crazyFunction :: Int -> Box (Tuple Int Int)
crazyFunction initial = do
                                                                              {-
  Tuple value state <- pure $ function state
  Tuple value state <- (\s -> pure $ function s) state
  Tuple value state <- (someFunction function) state
                                                                             -}
  Tuple value1 state2 <- (someFunction add1) initial</pre>
  (someFunction (\s -> addStringLengthTo value1 s) state2
main :: Effect Unit
main =
  case (unwrapBox $ crazyFunction 0) of
    Tuple theString theInt -> do
      log $ "theString was: " <> theString -- "2"
      log $ "theInt was: " <> show theInt -- 2
```

There's two problems with the above approach, which the next sections will refine.

## The Identity Monad

Box is a literal runtime Box. So, using it here as our monad type means we'll be runtime boxing and unboxing the result of our functions, thereby slowing down our code needlessly. We only need Box so we can use a Monad for sequential computation, not because we need the type, Box, specifically (we could use Box2 and our code wouldn't change). Why don't we get rid of this needless runtime overhead by using a type that only exists at compile-time? This implies using newtype because the type still needs to implement an instance for Monad.

Since we have a "placeholder" function called identity, let's reuse this name for our compile-time-only type:

## The Syntax Problem

crazyFunction showed an issue with our current approach: we have to pass the previous state result back into the next function. If the developer passes in the wrong state value, the code will no longer work as expected:

```
crazyFunction :: Int -> Identity (Tuple Int Int)
crazyFunction initial = do
   -- Computation 1: here we calculate what state2 is
   Tuple value1 state2 <- (someFunction add1) initial
   -- Computation 2: here we calculate what state3 is
   Tuple value2 state3 <- (someFunction add1) state2
   -- Computation 3: here we pass in `state2` when we should pass in `state3` (someFunction (\s -> addStringLengthTo value2 s) state2
```

In short, we need to hide the state value entirely from the function so that developers

cannot pass in the wrong value. Thus, we must also get rid of the Tuple value state notion in our function. Putting those two concepts together, we imagine syntax that looks like this: nextValue <- someFunction (\nextState -> stateManipulatingFunction nextState)

```
This syntax... nextValue <- someFunction (\initialState -> stateManipulatingFunction initialState) ... looks very similar to OO's syntax: var nextValue = initialState.stateManipulatingFunction();
```

Another benefit: it gets rid of the boilerplate-y noise-y Tuple s

What would we need to change to get this syntax? This gets tricky.

First, initialState should now be located outside crazyFunction and appear in another function, runSomeFunction. runSomeFunction should pass the initialState value into the final composition of all the state manipulating functions:

```
runSomeFunction :: forall state value.
                   (state -> Identity (Tuple value state)) ->
                   state ->
                   Tuple value state
runSomeFunction stateFunctionsComposedIntoOne initialState =
 let (Identity tuple) = stateFunctionsComposedIntoOne initialState
 in tuple
addStringLengthTo :: Int -> Int -> Tuple String Int
addStringLengthTo value state =
 let valueAsString = show value
      state3 = state + (length valueAsString)
 in Tuple (show state3) state3
-- Using our new syntax...
crazyFunction :: (state -> Identity (Tuple Int state))
crazyFunction = do
 -- Computation 1
 value1 <- someFunction (\initialState -> add1 initialState)
  -- Computation 2
  -- `bind` will produce `Tuple value2 state3`
  someFunction (\state2 -> addStringLengthTo value1 state2)
```

Second (and as the above example shows), someFunction must somehow return just value and not Tuple value state.

From these clues, we get this new type signature:

It would seem that this idea is not possible. We'll reveal how in the next file. For now, we'll abstract this concept into a type class

#### **Abstracting the Concept into a Type Class**

We want to use someFunction for numerous state manipulating functions on numerous data structures (e.g. add1, popStack, replaceElemAtIndex). This implies that we need to convert someFunction into a type class, so we can use someFunction in other situations via a type class constraint. Let's attempt to define it and call the type class MonadState. Its function, state, should be the same as someFunction's type signature:

Because we know we need bind, let's add a Monad constraint, m, to ???:

We need to make sure the state type does not change, so we'll also define a functional dependency from m to s

Combining this definition with its corresponding runSomeFunction, we get this (where runSomeFunction is now called runStateFunction)

```
class (Monad m) <= MonadState s m | m -> s where
    state :: forall a. (s -> Tuple a s) -> m a

runStateFunction :: forall s a. (s -> Identity (Tuple a s)) -> s -> Tuple a s
runStateFunction stateManipulation initialState =
    let (Identity tuple) = stateManipulation initialState
    in tuple
```

Ok. Now let's see how this seemingly impossible syntax is actually possible.

## **A Magical Monad**

We reached these conclusions previously:

- we need Monad 's bind / >>= to enable multiple different state-manipulating functions to work
- we need to hide the state from the actual function, so that developers can't pass in the wrong state value accidentally (i.e. make impossible states impossible). This came with two implications:
  - Calling bind / >>= should return just value, not Tuple value state
  - Running the computation via runSomeFunction should return Tuple value state.

In short, we need to implement the following two functions with these type signatures:

## **Introducing the Function Monad**

What if Function was a Monad? This might sound surprising at first, but it's actually true.

Recall that a Monad is any type that has lawful instances for the Functor, Apply, Applicative, Bind, and Monad (FAABM) type classes. As long as a type can successfully implement lawful functions for them, the type can be called monadic.

How might this be possible?

First, a Monad has kind Type -> Type whereas a Function has kind Type -> Type -> Type.

We can make Function 's kind one less by specifying either the input type or the output type:

- Function Int a / (Int -> a) has kind Type -> Type
- Function a Int / (a -> Int) has kind Type -> Type

In other words, we need to turn Function into a completely new type ( data, type, or newtype) that should only exist at compile time to reduce runtime overhead (e.g. type or newtype) that can also implement type classes (i.e. only newtype). Using a newtyped version of Function, we can specify all the types in the function:

```
newtype TypedFunction input output =
    TypedFunction (input -> output)

specifiesInput :: forall a. TypedFunction Int b -- Kind: Type -> Type

specifiesOutput :: forall a. TypedFunction a Int -- Kind: Type -> Type
```

Second, since Function can refer to any function, what should our newtyped function's type signature be? We'll use the state-manipulating function's type signature itself! (state -> monad (Tuple value state))

We will call this the StateT monad. The T part of the name will become clearer later.

#### **Monadic Instances**

Let's now implement the FAABM type classes by using pattern matching to expose the inner function. The value type will be left undefined (i.e. it's the a in everything), making StateT have the necessary kind, Type -> Type:

#### **Functor**

```
newtype StateT state monad value =
 StateT (state -> monad (Tuple value state))
-- Let's follow the types. We'll need to return a `StateT` value
-- so we'll start by doing that:
instance (Monad monad) => Functor (StateT state monad) where
 map :: forall a b
      . (a -> b)
     -> StateT state monad a
     -> StateT state monad b
 map f (StateT g) = StateT -- todo
-- Since StateT wraps a function whose only argument
-- is state, we'll add that now:
instance (Monad monad) => Functor (StateT state monad) where
 map :: forall a b
      . (a -> b)
     -> StateT state monad a
     -> StateT state monad b
 map f (StateT g) = StateT (\state ->
     -- todo
    )
-- We need to use that function, but it only takes an `a`
-- argument. So, we need to get that `a` by using `g`
-- Thus, we'll pass the returning StateT's state argument into `g`
-- Then we get a `monad (Tuple a state)`
instance (Monad monad) => Functor (StateT state monad) where
 map :: forall a b
      (a -> b)
     -> StateT state monad a
     -> StateT state monad b
 map f (StateT g) = StateT (\state ->
        ma = g state
     in
        -- todo
    )
-- So we can use `bind/>>=` to expose the Tuple within this monad
instance (Monad monad) => Functor (StateT state monad) where
 map :: forall a b
      \cdot (a -> b)
      -> StateT state monad a
     -> StateT state monad b
 map f (StateT g) = StateT (\state ->
     let
        ma = g state
     in
        ma >>= (\(Tuple value state2) ->
          -- todo
        )
    )
```

```
-- Great. Now let's pass `value` into the `f` function
instance (Monad monad) => Functor (StateT state monad) where
 map :: forall a b
      \cdot (a -> b)
      -> StateT state monad a
      -> StateT state monad b
 map f (StateT g) = StateT (\state ->
      let
        ma = g state
      in
        ma >>= (\(Tuple value state2) ->
            b = f value
          in
            --todo
        )
    )
-- Now we have our `b`. However, the returned `StateT` needs
-- to wrap a function that returns `monad (Tuple value state)`
-- Let's do that now and finish implementing Functor for StateT
instance (Monad monad) => Functor (StateT state monad) where
 map :: forall a b
      . (a -> b)
      -> StateT state monad a
      -> StateT state monad b
 map f (StateT g) = StateT (\state ->
      let
        ma = g state
      in
        ma >>= (\(Tuple value state2) ->
            b = f value
            pure (Tuple b state2)
        )
    )
```

### **Apply**

Since Apply is very similar to Functor (actually the exact same, but we just unwrap the f now, too), we'll just show the code.

```
instance (Monad monad) => Apply (StateT state monad) where
 apply :: forall a b
        -- (state -> Tuple (a -> b) state)
        . StateT state monad (a -> b)
        -> StateT state monad a
        -> StateT state monad b
  apply (StateT f) (StateT g) = StateT (\s1 ->
      (Tuple value1 s2) = g s1
   in
      let
        (Tuple function s3) = f s2
      in
        let
          mappedValue = function value1
          pure $ Tuple mappedValue s3
      )
    )
```

#### **Applicative**

The Applicative instance is actually quite straight forward:

```
instance (Monad monad) => Applicative (StateT state monad) where
pure :: forall a. a -> StateT state monad a
pure a = StateT (\s -> pure $ Tuple a s)
```

#### **Bind & Monad**

```
instance (Monad monad) => Bind (StateT state monad) where
  bind :: forall a b
        . StateT state monad a
       -> (a -> StateT state monad b)
       -> StateT state monad b
  bind (StateT g) f = StateT (\s1 ->
    let
      (Tuple value1 s2) = g s1
    in
      let
        (State h) = f value1
      in
       h s2
      )
    )
-- The Monad instance is just declared since there is nothing to implement.
instance (Monad m) => Monad (StateT state monad)
```

#### **MonadState**

```
instance (Monad monad) => MonadState state (StateT state monad) where
  state :: forall value. (state -> Tuple value state) -> StateT state monad
value
  state f = StateT (\s -> pure $ f s)
```

## **FAABM Using Bind**

Notice, however, that the above let ... in syntax is really just a verbose way of doing bind / >>= . If we were to rewrite our instances using bind , they now look like this:

```
instance (Monad monad) => Functor (StateT state monad) where
 map :: forall a b
      . (a -> b)
     -> StateT state monad a
     -> StateT state monad b
 map f (StateT g) = StateT (\s1 ->
      (g s1) >>= ((Tuple value1 s2) ->
        pure $ Tuple (function value1) s2
     )
    )
instance (Monad monad) => Apply (StateT state monad) where
  apply :: forall a b
        -- (state -> Tuple (a -> b) state)
        . StateT state monad (a -> b)
        -> StateT state monad a
        -> StateT state monad b
  apply (StateT f) (StateT g) = StateT (\s1 ->
      (g s1) >>= ((Tuple value1 s2) ->
        (f s2) >>= (\(Tuple function s3) ->
          pure $ Tuple (function value1) s3
        )
     )
    )
instance (Monad monad) => Applicative (StateT state monad) where
  pure :: forall a. a -> StateT state monad a
 pure a = StateT (\s -> pure $ Tuple a s)
instance (Monad monad) => Bind (StateT state monad) where
  bind :: forall a b
        . StateT state monad a
      -> (a -> StateT state monad b)
      -> StateT state monad b
  bind (StateT g) f = StateT (\s1 ->
      (g s1) >>= (\(Tuple value1 s2) ->
        let (StateT h) = f value1 in h s2
     )
    )
instance (Monad m) => Monad (StateT state monad)
```

## **Reviewing StateT's Bind Instance**

Let's look in particular at StateT's bind implmentation as this is crucial to understanding how it enables the syntax we desire:

Behind the scenes, StateT is still using Tuple value state as normal. However, the value that is passed to f is the value type (i.e. a) and not Tuple value state. This is what enables the syntax we desire.

In other words, recall that

```
bind (Box 4) (\four -> body)
-- converts to
(Box 4) >>= (\four -> body)
-- which in 'do notation' looks like
four <- (Box 4)
body four</pre>
```

In the next file, we'll show how this actually works via a graph reduction.

## **Proving the Syntax**

This file will prove that the syntax works by doing a graph reduction of

- StateT 's do notation
- running a StateT and insuring it type checks.

## Reading StateT Do Notation

```
newtype StateT state monad output = StateT (state -> monad (Tuple output
state))

stateT_do_notation :: StateT StateType MonadType ValueType
stateT_do_notation = do

-- This is what do notation looks like using a StateT monad

value1 <- state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)
value2 <- state (\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3)
value3 <- state (\state3 -> Tuple value3 state4)
state (\state4 -> Tuple value4 state5)
```

## Reducing a StateT's Do Notation

It's now time to reduce a simple StateT's do notation expression into its final result. Here's the simple expression:

```
f = do
  value1 <- state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)
  state (\state2 -> Tuple value1 state3)
```

It gets ugly pretty quickly, but we present it in a manner that reduces the information overload:

```
-- Start!
f = do
 value1 <- state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)
  state (\state2 -> Tuple value1 state3)
-- Turn the "do notation" back to ">>="
f =
  state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) >>= (\value1 ->
    state (\state2 -> Tuple value1 state3)
  )
-- Convert ">>=" back into "bind"
f =
  bind (state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)) (\value1 ->
    state (\state2 -> Tuple value1 state3)
  )
-- Take the function that is passed to bind, call it "func",
-- and put it into a 'where' clause:
f = bind (state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)) func
 where
  func = (\value1 -> state (\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3))
-- hide everything but "func"
func = (\value1 -> state (\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3))
-- Recall what StateT's MonadState implementation is...
instance Monad m => MonadState s (StateT s m) where
  state f = StateT (\sA -> pure $ f sA)
-- ... and use it to replace `state`'s LHS with its RHS
func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> pure $ f sA))
 where
  f = (\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3)
-- bump `f` into `func`
func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> pure $ (\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3) sA ))
-- Rename `pure` to `pureID` to show that it's Identity's "pure"
func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> pureID $ (\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3) sA
))
-- replace "pureID"'s LHS with RHS
func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3)
sA)))
-- Re-expose main function
f = bind (state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)) func
 where
  func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3)
sA)))
-- Omit the "where" clause for now,
```

```
-- but still keep `func` in the first line so we can come back to it
f = bind (state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)) func
-- Recall what StateT's MonadState implementation is...
instance Monad m => MonadState s (StateT s m) where
  state f = StateT (\s -> pure $ g s)
-- ... and use it to replace `state`'s LHS with its RHS
f = bind (StateT (\s -> pure $ g s)) func
 where
  g = (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)
-- Bump `g` into `f`
f = bind (
      StateT (\sZ -> pure $ (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ)
    ) func
-- Rename the "pure" to "pureID" to help us remember that it's Identity's pure
      StateT (\sZ -> pureID $ (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ)
    ) func
-- apply "pureID" to its argument
f = bind (
      StateT (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
-- Recall what StateT's bind instance is...
instance (Monad m) => Bind (StateT s m) where
  bind :: forall a b. StateT s m a -> (a -> StateT s m b) -> StateT s m b
  bind (StateT g) f = StateT (\sY -> (g sY) >>= func2)
    where
    func2 = (\((Tuple value1 sX)) -> let (StateT h) = f value1 in h sX)
-- ... and replace its LHS with its RHS
f =
    StateT (\sY \rightarrow (g sY) \Rightarrow func2)
    ) func
    where
    g = (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ)
    func2 = (\((Tuple value1 sX) -> let (StateT h) = func value1 in h sX)
-- Re-expose "func" argument
f = StateT (\sy -> (g sy) >>= func2)
    where
    g = (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
    func2 = (\((Tuple value1 sX) -> let (StateT h) = func value1 in h sX)
    func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2
state3) sA)))
-- Finished!
finalFunction = StateT (\sY -> (g sY) >>= func2)
    where
    g = (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
    func2 = (\((Tuple value1 sX) -> let (StateT h) = func value1 in h sX)
```

```
func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2
state3) sA)))
```

## Running a StateT with an Initial Value

To run a StateT, we just need to unwarp the StateT newtype wrapper.:

```
runStateT :: forall s m a. StateT s m a -> s -> m (Tuple a s)
runStateT (StateT f) initS = f initS
```

#### Reducing a runStateT Call

We'll run the de-sugared do-notation function from above on some initial state, inits. This won't produce anything important, but shows why/how it still type checks:

```
-- From above
f = StateT (\sy -> (g sy) >>= func2)
    g = (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
    func2 = (\((Tuple value1 sX) -> let (StateT h) = func value1 in h sX)
    func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2
state3) sA)))
-- Now call "runState" with "f" and some initial state
-- where 'm' is Identity
runStateT :: forall s m a. StateFunction s m a -> s -> m (Tuple a s)
runStateT (StateT f) initS = f initS
-- which now becomes
runStateT = (\sY -> (g sY) >>= func2) initS
    g = (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
    func2 = (\((Tuple value1 sX) -> let (StateT h) = func value1 in h sX)
    func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2
state3) sA)))
-- hide `func2` and `func`
runStateT = (\sY -> (g sY) >>= func2) initS
    where
    g = (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
-- apply initialState to the argument
runStateT = (g initS) >>= func2
    where
    g = (\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
-- bump "g" to the main function
runStateT = ((\sZ -> Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) sZ))
initS) >>= func2
-- Apply `initS` to the `(\sZ -> body)` function
runStateT = (Identity ((\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2) initS)) >>= func2
-- Apply `initS` to the `(\initialState -> body)` function
runStateT = (Identity (Tuple value1 state2)) >>= func2
-- call Identity's ">>="
runStateT = func2 (Tuple value1 state2)
-- Re-expose `func2`
runStateT = func2 (Tuple value1 state2)
    func2 = (\((Tuple value1 sX) -> let (StateT h) = func value1 in h sX)
-- bump "func2" into main function
runStateT =
  (\(Tuple value1 sX) ->
```

```
let (StateT h) = func value1
        in h sX
  ) (Tuple value1 initS)
-- apply Tuple argument to the function
runStateT =
 let (StateT h) = func value1
  in h initS
-- Re-expose `func`
runStateT =
 let (StateT h) = func value1
  in h initS
 where
  func = (\value1 -> StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3)
sA)))
-- bump "func" into main function
runStateT =
 let (StateT h) =
      (\value1 ->
        StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3) sA))
      ) value1
 in h initS
-- apply "value1" to its function
runStateT =
  let (StateT h) =
        StateT (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3) sA))
 in h initS)
-- Use pattern matching to extract the function bound to "h"
runStateT =
 let h = (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3) sA))
 in h initS)
-- and replace the "h" binding with its definition
runStateT =
          (\sA -> Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3) sA)) initS
-- Apply "initS" to `(\sA -> body)` function
runStateT =
                  Identity ((\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3) initS))
-- apply "initS" to `(\state2 -> body)` function
runStateT = Identity (Tuple value2 initS)
-- End result!
runStateT :: forall s m a. m (Tuple a s)
runStateT = Identity (Tuple value2 initS)
```

## **Overview**

#### **Monad Reader**

MonadAsk is used to expose a read-only value to a monadic context. It's default implmentation is ReaderT:

```
newtype ReaderT readOnly monad finalOutput =
ReaderT (\readOnly -> monad finalOutput)

-- Pseudo-syntax for combining the type class and ReaderT's instance together
class (Monad m) <= MonadAsk r (ReaderT r m) where
    ask :: forall a. ReaderT r m a
    ask a = ReaderT (\_ -> pure a)
```

#### **Do Notation**

When writing StateT 's do notation, we have a function called get that does not take any argument but still returns a value:

```
stateManipulation :: State Int Int
stateManipulation =
   get
-- which reduces to
   state (\s -> Tuple s s)
-- which reduces to
   StateT (\s -> Identity (Tuple s s))

-- When we run `stateManipulation` with `runState`...
   runState (StateT (\s -> Identity (Tuple s s))) 0
-- it reduces to...
   unboxIdentity $ (\s -> Identity (Tuple s s)) 0
-- which reduces to
   unboxIdentity (Identity (Tuple 0 0))
-- and finally outputs
   Tuple 0 0
```

MonadAsk 's function works similarly:

```
type Settings = { editable :: Boolean, fontSize :: Int }
useSettings :: Reader Settings Settings
useSettings = ask
-- which reduces to...
    ReaderT (\r -> Identity r)

-- When we run `useSettings` with `runReader`
    runReader useSettings { editable: true, fontSize: 12 }
-- it reduces to
    unwrapIdentity $ (\r -> Identity r) { editable: true, fontSize: 12 }
-- which reduces to
    unwrapIdentity (Identity { editable: true, fontSize: 12 })
-- which reduces to
    { editable: true, fontSize: 12 }
```

#### **MonadReader**

MonadReader extends MonadAsk by allowing the read-only value to be modified first before being used in one computation.

```
class MonadAsk r m <= MonadReader r m | m -> r where
  local :: forall a. (r -> r) -> m a -> m a
```

#### **Derived Functions**

MonadReader does not have any derived functions.

MonadAsk has one derived function:

 asks: apply a function to the read-only value (useful for extracting something out of it, like a field in a settings object)

### Laws, Instances, and Miscellaneous Functions

For the laws, see

- MonadAsk's docs
- MonadReader's docs

#### To see how ReaderT implements its instances

- Functor instance
- Apply instance
- Applicative instance
- Bind instance
- MonadTell instance, which is implemented using pure (Applicative)
- MonadReader instance, which is implemented using withReaderT but where r1 and r2 are the same

To handle/modify the output of a reader computation:

- Reader
- ReaderT

## 02-Monad-Ask-Example.purs

```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadAsk where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Control.Monad.Reader.Class (ask, asks)
import Control.Monad.Reader (Reader, runReader)
main :: Effect Unit
main = log $ runReader useSettings { editable: true, fontSize: 12 }
type Settings = { editable :: Boolean, fontSize :: Int }
            -- ReaderT Settings Identity String
useSettings :: Reader Settings
useSettings = do
  entireSettingsObject <- ask</pre>
  specificField <- asks (_.fontSize)</pre>
  pure ("Entire Settings Object: " <> show entireSettingsObject <> "\n\
        \Specific Field: " <> show specificField)
```

## 03-Monad-Reader-Example.purs

```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadReader where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Control.Monad.Reader.Class (ask, local)
import Control.Monad.Reader (Reader, runReader)
main :: Effect Unit
main = log $ runReader useSettings { editable: true, fontSize: 12 }
type Settings = { editable :: Boolean, fontSize :: Int }
            -- ReaderT Settings Identity String
useSettings :: Reader Settings
useSettings = do
  original <- ask
  output <- local
    -- a function that modifies the read-only value...
    (\settings -> settings { fontSize = 20 })
      -- which is used in only one computation
      ask
  original_ <- ask
  pure (
        "Original: " <> show original <> "\n\
        \Output of computation that uses modified value: " <> show output <>
"\n\
        \Back to normal: " <> show original_
```

## **MonadState**

MonadState is used to run state manipulating functions. Since only one type implements the class, we'll combine the class' definition and instance into one block:

```
newtype StateT state monad output =
   StateT (\state -> monad (Tuple output state))
-- Pseudo syntax: combines class and instance into one block:
class (Monad m) <= MonadState s (StateT s m) where
   state :: forall a. (s -> Tuple a s) -> StateT s m a
   state f = StateT (\s -> pure $ f s)
```

### **Reading Its Do Notation**

```
stateT_do_notation :: StateT State Value
stateT_do_notation = do
   value1 <- state (\initialState -> Tuple value1 state2)
   value2 <- state (\state2 -> Tuple value2 state3)
   value3 <- state (\state3 -> Tuple value3 state4)
   state (\state4 -> Tuple value4 state5)
```

#### **Derived Functions**

As we saw above, whenever we wrote state function, function always had to wrap our output into a Tuple type:

```
(\state -> {- do stuff -} Tuple output nextState)
```

This gets tedious really fast. Fortunately, MonadState 's derived functions remove that boilerplate and emphasize the developer's intent:

- get: returns the state
- gets: applies a function to the state and returns the result (useful for extracting some value out of the state)
- put: overwrites the current state with the argument
- modify: modify the state and return the updated state
- modify\_:same as modify but return unit so we can ignore the binding <- syntax</li>

```
sideBySideComparison :: State Int String
sideBySideComparison = do
    state1 <- state (\s -> Tuple s s)
    state2 <- get

shownI1 <- state (\s -> Tuple (show s) s)
    shownI2 <- gets show

state (\s -> Tuple unit 5)
    put 5

added1A <- state (\s -> let s' = s + 1 in Tuple s' s')
    added1B <- modify (_ + 1)

state (\s -> Tuple unit (s + 1))
    modify_ (_ + 1)

-- to satisfy the type requirements
-- in that the function ultimately returns a `String`
    pure "string"
```

Returning to our previous example, crazyFunction was implemented like so:

- 1. Take some initialState value
- 2. Pass that value into add1 :: State -> Tuple Int Int, which returns Tuple value1
  state2
- 3. Pass value and state2 into addValue1StringLengthTo :: Int -> Int -> Tuple
   String Int where
  - value will be converted into a String, called valueAsString
  - the length of valueAsString will be added to state2, which produces state3
  - state3 is converted into a String, called value2
  - the function returns Tuple value2 state3
- 4. Return addStringLengthTo 'S Output: Tuple value2 nextState3

With MonadState, we would now write:

```
crazyFunction :: State Int String
crazyFunction = do
  value1 <- modify (_ + 1)
  modify_ (_ + (length $ show value1))
  gets show
main :: Effect Unit
main =
  case (runState crazyFunction 0) of
    Tuple theString theInt -> do
      log $ "theString was: " <> theString -- "2"
      log $ "theInt was: " <> show theInt -- 2
runState :: forall s a. StateT s Identity a -> s -> Tuple a s
runState stateT initialState =
  let (Identity tuple) = runStateT stateT initialState
  in tuple
runStateT :: forall s m a. StateT s m a -> s -> m Tuple a s
runStateT (StateT f) initialState = f initialState
```

### Laws, Instances, and Miscellaneous Functions

For the laws, see MonadState's docs

For its instances, see:

- Functor
- Apply
- Applicative
- Bind
- MonadState

To handle/modify the output of a state computation:

- State
- StateT

## 02-Monad-State-Example.purs

```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadState where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Tuple (Tuple(...))
import Data.String.CodePoints (length)
import Control.Monad.State.Class (state, get, gets, put, modify, modify_)
import Control.Monad.State (State, runState)
main :: Effect Unit
main =
  case (runState sideBySideComparison 0) of
    Tuple s i -> do
      log $ "s was: " <> s
      log $ "i was: " <> show i
      case (runState crazyFunction 0) of
        Tuple theString theInt -> do
          log $ "theString was: " <> theString -- "2"
          log $ "theInt was: " <> show theInt -- 2
crazyFunction :: State Int String
crazyFunction = do
  value1 <- modify (_ + 1)
  modify_ (_ + (length $ show value1))
  gets show
sideBySideComparison :: State Int String
sideBySideComparison = do
  state1 <- state (\s -> Tuple s s)
  state2 <- get
  shownI1 <- state (\s -> Tuple (show s) s)
  shownI2 <- gets show
  state (\s -> Tuple unit 5)
  put 5
  added1A <- state (\s -> let s' = s + 1 in Tuple s' s')
  added1B <- modify (_ + 1)
  state (\s -> Tuple unit (s + 1))
  modify_{(+1)}
  -- to satisfy the type requirements
  -- in that the function ultimately returns a `String`
  pure "string"
```

## **Overview**

#### **Monad Tell**

MonadTell is used to return additional non-output data that is generated during a computation. For example, it can provide some sort of analysis of the computation we have just performed. It's default implementation is WriterI.

Since we can only return one object and we want to return something in addition to the output, we'll need to return a Tuple that wraps the output and additional data. In cases where we already have non-output data and need to "store" another value of non-output data, we'll need to combine the two together, which implies a Semigroup. Lastly, to implement Applicative, we will need an "empty" value of that data, which implies Monoid.

Putting this into code, we get this:

```
newtype WriterT non_output_data monad output =
    WriterT (monad (Tuple output non_output_data))
-- Pseudo-syntax: combines the type class and instance into one block
class (Monoid w, Monad m) <= MonadTell w (WriterT w m) where
    tell :: w -> m Unit
    tell w = WriterT (pure (Tuple unit w))
```

#### **Do Notation**

Since tell returns an m Unit, which will be discarded in do notation, we'll only be writing:

#### **Monad Writer**

MonadWriter extends MonadTell by enabling a computation's non-output data to be

- appended via tell and then exposed in the do notation for later usage (listen)
- appended via tell after it is modified by a function (pass)

#### **Derived Functions**

MonadTell does not have any derived functions.

MonadWriter has two:

- listens: same as listen but modifies the non-output data before exposing it to the do notation
- censor: modifies the non-output data returned by a computation before appending it via tell.

### Laws, Instances, and Miscellaneous Functions

For their laws, see

- MonadTell
- MonadWriter

For WriterT's instances:

- Functor
- Apply
- Applicative
- Bind
- MonadTell
- MonadWriter

To handle/modify the output of a writer computation:

- Writer
- WriterT

## 02-Monad-Tell-Example.purs

```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadTell where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Tuple (Tuple(...))
import Control.Monad.Writer.Class (tell)
import Control.Monad.Writer (Writer, runWriter)
type Output = Int
type OtherUsefulData = String
main :: Effect Unit
main = case runWriter writeStuff of
  Tuple output otherUsefulData -> do
    log $ "Computation's output: " <> show output
    log $ "Other useful data: " <> otherUsefulData
           -- WriterT w
                                               а
          -- WriterT String
                                     Identity Int
writeStuff :: Writer OtherUsefulData
                                             0utput
writeStuff = do
  tell "first string! "
  -- some computation happens here
  tell "second string! "
  -- some computation happens here
  tell "third string!"
  pure 5 -- final output of using MonadTell
```

# 03-Monad-Writer-Example.purs

```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadWriter where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Identity (Identity(...))
import Data.Tuple (Tuple(...))
import Control.Monad.Writer.Class (tell, listen, pass, listens, censor)
import Control.Monad.Writer (Writer, runWriter)
import Control.Monad.Writer.Trans (WriterT(...))
main :: Effect Unit
main = case runWriter writeStuff of
  Tuple output otherUsefulData -> do
    log $ "Computation's output: " <> show output
    log $ "Other useful data:\n\n\t" <> otherUsefulData
type Output = Int
type OtherUsefulData = String
           -- WriterT String Identity Int
writeStuff :: Writer String
writeStuff = do
  (Tuple output1 usefulData) <- listen $ WriterT (
        -- A computation that...
        Identity (
          -- returns this entire object as output,
          -- so that one can use both the computed output
          -- and the OtherUsefulData instance in later computations
          Tuple
            -- the output
            -- the instance, which is appended via `tell` to
            -- the current instance of OtherUsefulData
            "useful data"
        )
    )
  tell $ "\n\n\t" <> "(Listen) 'output1' was: " <> show output1
  tell $ "\n\n\t" <> "(Listen) 'usefulData' was: " <> usefulData
      -- needed to improve reading:
      -- turns "usefulDatasomeData" into
      -- "usefulData" <> "\n\n\t" <> "someData"
      <> "\n\n\t"
  Tuple output2 modifiedData <- listens</pre>
    -- 2) ... a modified version of the non-output data
                which is not appended via `tell`
              before exposing it to the do notation
    (\someData -> "Modified (" <> someData <> ")") $
    WriterT (
```

```
-- 1) A computation...
      Identity (
        -- 2) that returns this entire object as output...,
        -- so that one can use both the computed output and...
          -- the output (this is `output2`)
          -- the instance, which is appended via `tell` to
          -- the current instance of OtherUsefulData
          "someData"
      )
 )
tell $ "\n\n\t" <> "(Listens) two: " <> show output2
tell $ "\n\n\t" <> "(Listens) modified Data: " <> show modifiedData
output3 <- pass $ WriterT (
    -- A computation...
    Identity (
      -- that returns 3 things using a nested Tuple
            nested tuple: (Tuple (Tuple one three) two)
      Tuple
        (Tuple
          -- 1) the computation's output (this is `output3`)
          -- 3) a function which modifies the non-output data
                before appending it to the current non-output data
                instance
          (\value -> "\n\n\t" <> "(in `pass`) Value is: " <> value)
        )
        -- 2) the non-output data
        "value"
      )
  )
tell $ "\n\n\t" <> "(Pass) output2 was: " <> show output3
  -- needed to improve reading:
 -- turns "4someData" into
 -- "4" <> "\n\n\t" <> "someData"
  <> "\n\n\t"
output4 <- censor
    -- 3) a function which modifies the non-output data
          before appending it to the current non-output data
          instance
    (\value -> "(in `censor`) Value is: " <> value) $ WriterT (
      -- 1) A computation...
      Identity (
        -- ...that returns two things
          -- a) the computation's output (this is `output4`)
          -- b) the non-output data, which is...
```

```
"someData"
)
)
tell $ "\n\n\t" <> "(censor) output3 was: " <> show output4
pure 0
```

## **Overview**

#### MonadThrow

MonadThrow is used to immediately stop bind 's sequential computation and return a value of its error type because of some unforeseeable error (e.g. error encountered when connecting to a database, file that was supposed to exist did not exist, etc).

It's default implmentation is ExceptT:

```
-- e  m   a
newtype ExceptT error monad output =
    ExceptT (monad (Either error output))
-- Pseudo-syntax: combines class and instancee together:
class (Monad m) => MonadThrow e (ExceptT e m) where
    throwError :: forall a. e -> ExceptT e m a
    throwError a = ExceptT (pure $ Left a)
```

#### **ExceptT: Before and After**

Before using ExceptT, we would write this ugly verbose code:

```
getBestCompany :: Industry -> Effect (Either Error Company)
getBoss :: Company -> Effect (Either Error Name)

main :: Effect Unit
main = do
   eitherCompany <- getBestCompany ComputerIndustry
   case eitherCompany of
   Left error -> log $ "Error: " <> show error
   Right bestCompany -> do
        eitherName <- getBoss bestCompany
        case eitherName of
        Left error -> log $ "Error: " <> show error
        Right name -> do
        log $ "The name of the best company is: " <> name
```

After using ExceptT, we would write this clear readable code:

```
getBestCompany :: Industry -> Effect (Either Error Company)
getBoss :: Company -> Effect (Either Error Name)

main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    eitherResult <- runExceptT do
    bestCompany <- getBestCompany ComputerIndustry
    getBoss bestCompany
    case eitherResult of
    Left error -> log $ "Error: " <> show error
    Right name -> do
    log $ "The name of the best company is: " <> name
```

#### MonadError

MonadError extends MonadThrow by enabling a monad to catch the thrown error, attempt to handle it (by changing the error type to an output type), and then continue bind 's sequential computation. If catchError can't handle the error, bind 's sequential computation will still stop at that point and return the value of the error type.

```
newtype ExceptT e m a = ExceptT (m (Either e a))
 class (Monad m) => MonadError e (ExceptT e m) where
   catchError :: forall a. ExceptT e m a -> (e -> ExceptT e m a) -> ExceptT e m
   catchError (ExceptT m) handleError =
     ExceptT (m >>= (\either_E_or_A -> case either_E_or_A of
       Left e -> case handleError e of ExceptT b -> b
       Right a -> pure $ Right a))
For example,
 getFileContents :: forall m.
                    MonadError m =>
                    String ->
                    m String
 getFileContents pathToFile = do
   readFileContents pathToFile `catchError` \fileNotFound ->
     pure defaultValue
   where
     defaultValue = "foo"
```

#### **Derived Functions**

MonadThrow does not have any derived functions.

MonadError has 3 functions:

- catchJust: catch only the errors you want to try to handle and ignore the others
- try: expose the error value (if computation fails) for usage in the do notation
- withResource: whether a computation fails or succeeds, clean up resources after it is done

#### **Do Notation**

Since MonadThrow/MonadError are error-related, we'll show the do notation in metalanguage here since it will be harder to do so in the code examples:

```
-- MonadThrow
stopped <- throwError e
value1 <- otherComputation stopped
value2 <- otherComputation value1
-- MonadError
mightRun <- computationThatMayFail `catchError` computationWhenPreviousFailed
left_Error <- try computationThatFails
right_Output <- try computationThatSucceeds
output <- withResource getResource cleanup computationThatUsesResource</pre>
```

### Laws, Instances, and Miscellaneous Functions

For its laws, see

- MonadThrow
- MonadError

For ExceptT's instances, see

- Functor
- Apply

- PureScript: Jordan's Reference
  - Applicative
  - Bind
  - MonadThrow
  - MonadError

To handle/modify the output of an error computation:

- Except
- ExceptT

## **02-Monad-Throw-Example.purs**

```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadThrow where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Identity (Identity(...))
import Data.Either (Either(...))
import Control.Monad.Error.Class (throwError)
import Control.Monad.Except (Except, runExcept)
import Control.Monad.Except.Trans (ExceptT(..))
compute :: Except String Int -> Effect Unit
compute theComputation =
  case runExcept theComputation of
    Left error -> log $ "Failed computation! Error was: " <> error
    Right output -> log $ "Successful computation! Output: " <> show output
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  compute $ ExceptT (
    -- A computation
    Identity (
      -- that was successful and produced output
    )
  )
  compute $ ExceptT (
    -- A computation
    Identity (
      -- that failed and produced an error
      Left "Example error!"
    )
  )
  compute (
    -- a successful computation
    (ExceptT (Identity (Right 5))) >>= (\right_five ->
      (throwError "the next bind will never run!") >>= (\leftE_or_RightA ->
        case leftE_or_RightA of
          Left e -> ExceptT (pure $ Left "This is a different error message!")
          Right a -> ExceptT (pure $ Right $ a + 5)
      )
    )
  )
```

# **03-Monad-Error-Example.purs**

```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadError where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Identity (Identity(...))
import Data.Either (Either(..))
import Data.Maybe (Maybe(...))
import Control.Monad.Error.Class (catchError, catchJust, try, withResource)
import Control.Monad.Except (Except, runExcept)
import Control.Monad.Except.Trans (ExceptT(..))
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  runMainFunction
  log "=== Derived Functions ==="
  example_catchJust
  example_try
  example_withResource
computationThatFailsWith :: forall e. e -> Except e Int
computationThatFailsWith error = ExceptT (
    -- A computation
    Identity (
      -- that failed and produced an error
      Left error
    )
  )
computationThatSucceedsWith :: forall e a. a -> Except e a
computationThatSucceedsWith a = ExceptT (
    -- A computation
    Identity (
      -- that succeeded and produced the output
      Right a
    )
  )
compute :: forall e a. Show e => Show a => Except e a -> Effect Unit
compute theComputation =
  case runExcept theComputation of
    Left error -> log $ "Failed computation! Error was: " <> show error
    Right output -> log $ "Successful computation! Output: " <> show output
runMainFunction :: Effect Unit
runMainFunction = do
  log "catchError:"
  compute (
    catchError
      (computationThatFailsWith "An error string")
      -- and a function that successfully handles the error
```

```
(\errorString -> ExceptT (pure $ Right 5))
  )
  compute (
    catchError
      (computationThatFailsWith "An error string")
      -- and a function that cannot handle the error successfully
      (\errorString -> ExceptT (pure $ Left errorString))
  )
data ErrorType
 = FailedCompletely
  | CanHandle TheseErrors
data TheseErrors
  = Error1
  Error2
example_catchJust :: Effect Unit
example_catchJust = do
  log "catchJust:"
  -- fail with an error that we ARE NOT catching...
  compute
    (catchJust
      ignore_FailedCompletely
      (computationThatFailsWith FailedCompletely)
      -- this function is never run because
      -- we ignore the "FailedCompletely" error instance
      handleError
    )
  -- fail with an error that we ARE catching...
  compute
    (catchJust
      ignore_FailedCompletely
      (computationThatFailsWith (CanHandle Error1))
      -- this function is run because we accept the
      -- error instance. It would also work if we threw `Error2`
     handleError
    )
ignore_FailedCompletely :: ErrorType -> Maybe TheseErrors
ignore_FailedCompletely FailedCompletely = Nothing
ignore_FailedCompletely (CanHandle error) = Just error
handleError :: TheseErrors -> Except ErrorType Int
handleError Error1 = ExceptT (pure $ Right 5)
```

```
handleError Error2 = ExceptT (pure $ Right 6)
instance Show ErrorType where
  show FailedCompletely = "FailedCompletely"
  show (CanHandle error) = "CanHandle2 (" <> show error <> ")"
instance Show TheseErrors where
  show Error1 = "Error1"
  show Error2 = "Error2"
______
example_try :: Effect Unit
example_try = do
  log "try: "
  compute' (try $ computationThatSucceedsWith 5)
  compute' (try $ computationThatFailsWith "an error occurred!")
-- In `try`, both the error and output isntance is returned,
-- thereby exposing it for usage in the do notation. To account for this,
-- we've modified `compute` slightly below.
-- Also, since we only specify either the error type or the output type above,
-- type inference can't figure out what the other type is. So,
-- it thinks that the unknown type doesn't have a "Show" instance
-- and the compilation fails.
-- Thus, we also specify both types below to avoid this problem.
compute' :: Except String (Either String Int) -> Effect Unit
compute' theComputation =
  case runExcept theComputation of
    Left error -> log $ "Failed computation! Error was: " <> show error
    Right e_or_a -> case e_or_a of
     Left e -> log $ "Exposed error instance in do notation: " <> show e
     Right a -> log $ "Exposed output instance in do notation: " <> show a
data Resource = Resource
instance Show Resource where
  show x = "Resource"
example_withResource :: Effect Unit
example_withResource = do
  log "withResource: "
  compute (
   withResource
     getResource
     cleanupResource
     computationThatUseResource
  )
getResource :: Except String Resource
getResource = computationThatSucceedsWith Resource
```

```
cleanupResource :: Resource -> Except String Unit
cleanupResource r =
    -- resource is cleaned up here
    -- and when finished, we return unit
    ExceptT (pure $ Right unit)

computationThatUseResource :: Resource -> Except String Int
computationThatUseResource r = -- do
    -- use resource here to compute some value
    ExceptT (pure $ Right 5)
```

## **An Explanation**

The following explanation builds upon and modifies this article's explanation:

- Name of original author: Gabriel Gonzalez
- License: CC 4.0 International License
- Changes:
  - Convert code examples to Purescript
  - Renamed attackUnit to attack to reduce characters per line in code sections
  - Omitted section on Algebraic Data Types
  - Omitted section on Kleisli Composition

### Why Callbacks Exist

When writing a library (e.g. GUI toolkit, game engine, etc.), one may want the end-developer to be able to run their own custom code at some point. In the example below, the custom code is represented by the type hole, ?doSomething:

```
attack :: Target -> Effect Unit
attack target = do
  valid <- isTargetValid target
  if valid
  then ?doSomething target
  else ignoreAttack</pre>
```

Since the library developer does not know how the end-developer will use this function, they can convert ?doSomething into a callback function that the end-developer supplies:

```
-- library developer's code
attack :: Target -> (Target -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Unit
attack target doSomething = do
  valid <- isTargetValid target
  if valid
  then doSomething target
  else ignoreAttack
-- end-developer's code
attack orc reduceLifeBy50</pre>
```

This makes life easy for the library-developer, but not for the end-developer as a large number of nested callbacks can make code very unreadable. (We only need to look at

Node.js for an example)

#### The Continutation Solution

The problem is not the callback function; there is no other solution for the library-developer. The problem is "where" that function appears in attackUnit. In short, the type appears in the argument part of the function (attackUnit\_arg) instead of in the return part of the function (attackUnit\_return):

Effect is a monad, so we can chain multiple sequential computations like that together using bind / >>= . If we can do that for Effect , why not do so for every monad? This changes our type signature of attack:

```
attack_no_monad :: Target -> ((Target -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Unit)
attack_monad :: Target -> ((Target -> monad Unit) -> monad Unit)
```

That's a lot of code to write each time, so it can be converted into a newtype:

```
newtype ContT return monad input =
   ContT ((input -> monad return) -> monad return)

attack_no_monad :: Target -> ((Target -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Unit)
attack_monad :: Target -> ((Target -> monad Unit) -> monad Unit)
attack_cont :: Target -> ContT Unit Effect Target
```

To create a ContT, we create a function whose only argument is the callback function:

```
ContT (\callbackFunction -> do
   -- everything else we did beforehand...
   callbackFunction arg
   -- everything else we did afterwards...
)
```

Let's implement it for attack and compare the two approaches:

```
attack_original :: Target -> (Target -> Effect Unit) -> Effect Unit
attack_original target doSomething = do
  valid <- isTargetValid target
  if valid
  then doSomething target
  else ignoreAttack

attack_contT :: Target -> ContT Unit Effect Target
attack_contT target = ContT (\doSomething -> do
    valid <- isTargetValid target
  if valid
  then doSomething target
  else ignoreAttack
)</pre>
```

And if we didn't want to use a monad, we could use Identity as a placeholder monad:

```
type Cont return input = ContT return Identity input
```

## **Comparing ContT to Another Function**

Let's play with ContT for a bit and see what it reminds us of:

```
-- Original version
newtype ContT return monad input =
  ContT ((input -> monad return) -> monad return)
-- Let's newtype a version of `ContT` when `Identity` is its monad:
newtype ContIdentity return input =
  ContIdentity ((input -> Identity return) -> Identity return)
-- Since `Identity` is merely a placeholer monad,
-- let's remove it, and see what the resulting function's signature is:
contDesugared :: forall input return. ((input -> return) -> return)
-- and if we wanted to run `contDesugared`,
-- we'd need an initial `input` value:
runCont :: forall i r. ((i -> r) -> r) -> (i -> r) -> r
runCont contDesugared callbackFunction = contDesugared callbackFunction
-- Hmm... Doesn't that function's type and body look familiar?
                      ((i \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r) \rightarrow (i \rightarrow r) \rightarrow r
apply :: forall a b. (a
                         -> b) -> a
apply function arg = function arg
infixr 0 apply as $
```

Exactly. ContT is just a monad transformer for the apply / \$ function. Let's compare them further:

#### When You Need Two or More Callback Functions

If attack is modified, so that it requires two callback functions, ?doSomethingWithDamage and doSomethingWithBoth, it would seem that our nice solution from above would no longer work since we can only specify one of the two functions:

```
attackWith :: Target -> Weapon -> ContT Unit Effect Target
attackWith target weapon = ContT (\only1CallbackFunction -> do
   damage <- calculateDamageFor weapon (modifiedBy 1.5)
   ?doSomethingWithDamage damage
   valid <- isTargetValid target
   if valid
   then ?doSomethingWithBoth target damage
   else ignoreAttack
)</pre>
```

The solution is to pass in a callback function that takes a sum type as its argument. When using ContT/Cont, the callback function is usually called k, so we'll do that here, too:

```
data AllPossibleInputs
  -- where each constructor wraps the arguments
  -- that will be used in a function
  = DoSomethingWithDamage Damage
  | DoSomethingWithBoth Target Damage
-- Note: This approach requires the callback function to return the same
-- `monadType returnType` type for each output.
callbackFunction :: AllPossibleInputs -> Effect Unit
callbackFunction (DoSomethingWithBoth t d) = doSomethingWithBoth t d
callbackFunction (DoSomethingWithDamage d) = doSomethingWithDamage d
doSomethingWithBoth :: Target -> Damage -> Effect Unit
-- implementation
doSomethingWithDamage :: Target -> Effect Unit
-- implementation
attackWith :: Target -> Weapon -> ContT Unit Effect Target
attackWith target weapon = ContT (\callback -> do
    damage <- calculateDamageFor weapon (modifiedBy 1.5)</pre>
    callback (DoSomethingWithDamage damage)
    valid <- isTargetValid target</pre>
    if valid
    then callback (DoSomethingWithBoth target damage)
    else ignoreAttack
  )
```

(I think one might be able to get around the runtime box overhead imposed by AllPossibleInputs by using type-level programming and Variant, the open Either type.)

#### **Consider Your Perspective**

If you are	and you come across a situation where	then you should
a library developer	you want to use a callback function	move it from the function's LHS to its RHS using ContT. If it should take different kinds of input, define a sum type as demonstrated above.
a developer using a library	you need to use a function that requires or returns a ContT	understand that you need to specify what to do at specific points by passing in a callback function via runCont / runContT . You may also need to write a callback function that takes a sum type like that demonstrated above as its input

## **MonadCont**

MonadCont, the Continuation Monad, is used to handle callback hell among other things.

```
-- r m a
newtype ContT return monad input =
   ContT ((input -> monad return) -> monad return)
-- Pseudo-Syntax: combine class and instance into one block
-- and "n" represents ContT:
class (Monad m) <= MonadCont r (ContT r m) where
   callCC :: forall a. (forall b. (a -> n b) -> n a) -> n a
   callCC :: forall a. (forall b. ContT b m a) -> ContT r m a
```

#### **Derived Functions**

None!

## Laws, Instances, and Miscellaneous Functions

There aren't any laws!

Instances:

- Functor
- Apply
- Applicative
- Bind

To handle/modify the output of a continuation computation:

- Cont
- ContT

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```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadCont where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Control.Monad.Cont.Trans (ContT(..), runContT)
-- The sum type example we mentioned beforehand got long
-- and introduces a lot of noise. So, we'll do a very simple
-- example using Effect and `log` instead.
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  runContT (exampleCallCC 5) log
  log "\n\n"
  runContT (exampleCallCC 20) (\s -> do
    log $ "Indenting the string"
    log $ "\t'" <> s
exampleCallCC :: Int -> ContT Unit Effect String
exampleCallCC arg = ContT $ \k -> do
  log "do some computations here..."
  k $ "callback with arg: " <> show arg
  log "do some other computations here..."
  k $ "callback with arg: " <> show 1.5
  log "do some other computations here..."
```

## **Other Monad Transformers**

#### **Usable Now**

#### **RWS**

RWS a convenience monad that combines ReaderT, WriterT, and StateT into the same monad type

#### **MaybeT**

MaybeT, a computation the returns a Maybe a. The below code snippet shows why you'd use it and when:

Before (ugly verbose code):

After (clear readable code):

```
getName :: Effect (Maybe String)
getAge :: Effect (Maybe Int)

main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    result <- runMaybeT do
    name <- MaybeT getName
    age <- MaybeT getAge
    pure { name, age }
    case result of
     Nothing -> log "Didn't work"
     Just rec -> do
        log $ "Got name: " <> rec.name <> " and age " <> show rec.age
```

You can refer to Monday Morning Haskell's post on MaybeT for more context. Replace 10 with Effect and you'll get the idea.

#### ListT

ListT, a monad that returns a List a. In addition, it provides the regular list functions you'd expect

It follows the same idea as MaybeT above.

#### MonadGen

MonadGen (not included in the purescript-transformers library): generates random data. (This is used in the Testing library later. We'll cover it when we get there.)

#### MonadRec

MonadRec (not included in the purescript-transformers library): guarantees stack safety for monad transformers. For a tutorial on this type class, see <code>Design Patterns/Stack Safety.md</code>.

#### **Sketches of Monadic Control Flow**

I'd like to clean this up and provide more, but I don't know what it's copyright is. Thus, I'm

only linking to it here. The below link is a visual idea as to what occurs when one uses some of these monad transformers: Monads, a Field Guide

#### **Requires More Understanding**

We previously mentioned that all lawful type classes that find their roots in Category Theory have duals. The following are monad transformers for the duals of some of the monad transformers we covered here.

To quickly summarize how they work, map ping a monadic function would change its output type whereas map ping a comonadic function would change its input type. If the definition of Functor 's map for a monadic function is compose / <<< , the definition for a comonadic function is composeFlipped / >>> . See the CoMonads by Example repository for a better overview of these type classes and their implementations.

- CoMonadTrans, the Transformer type class for Comonads.
- CoMonadTraced
- CoMonadStore
- CoMonadAsk
- CoMonadEnv

## **State-like Transformers**

ReaderT, StateT, and WriterT can all be used to simulate state manipuation effects.

ReaderT can "modify state" in a top-down direction via MonadReader 'S local function:

```
foo :: Reader Int Int
foo = do
  local (_ + 1) do
    local (_ + 1) do
    local (_ + 1) do
    local (_ + 1) do
    stateAtThisPoint <- ask
    pure stateAtThisPoint

bar = foo 0 -- 0 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 == 4

WriterT can "modify state" in a bottom-up direction via MonadTell 's tell function</pre>
```

```
foo :: Int -> WriterT (Array (Array String)) Int
foo i
  | i == 3 = pure 3
  | otherwise = do
      y < - foo (i + 1)
      tell [[ y ]]
bar = foo 0 -- Tuple 1 [ [3], [2], [1] ]
which breaks down to...
bar = do
  one <- do
    two <- do
      three <- pure 3
      tell [ [ three ] ]
    tell [ [ two ] ]
  tell [ [ one ] ]
-}
```

StateT can "modify state" in a top-down and/or bottom-up direction via MonadState 'S get / put / modify functions.

See also What is the difference between ST effect / Reader / Writer?

## **How MonadTrans Works**

#### **Reviewing Old Ideas**

Thus far, we've overviewed individual Monad Transformers. However, we have not yet combined them into a "stack" that allows us to write anything useful. It's now time to reveal this. It will look similar to something we've seen before:

When we introduced LiftSourceIntoTargetMonad, we mentioned that implementing this idea for two monads might be much more complicated than the above implementation. Why? Because we were referring to the newtyped function monads we explained in this folder (not exactly something you want to introduce to a new learner immediately).

We stated beforehand that MonadState 's default implmenetation is StateT. bind only returns the same monad type it originally received. Thus, we have a problem if we want to use two effects at once. For example, if we to write a program that uses state manipulation effects (i.e. uses MonadState) and some other effects in the same computation (i.e. another type class introduced in this folder like MonadReader).

However, because our monadic newtyped functions serve only to "transform" the base monad by handling all the 'behind the scenes' stuff, it's actually possible to support all of these effects within the same monadic type. One monadic type is nested in another. This is where the "stack" idea comes from. In other words, we need to define a way to "lift" a monadic newtyped function into another. However, the direction should go both ways (former lifted into latter and latter lifted into former).

Since this idea is an abstraction that will repeat, will define it as a type class called, MonadTrans:

#### **Explaining Its Process**

- 1. Define a type class (e.g. MonadState) that has a default implementation via (e.g. StateT)
- 2. Define a type class (e.g. MonadTrans ) that enables one monad to be lifted into another monad
- 3. To enable multiple monadic newtyped functions to run in another one (e.g. StateT), implement MonadTrans for that monad (e.g. StateT's instance)
- 4. To grant multiple monadic newtyped functions the capabilities of one type class (e.g. MonadState via StateT), make those other monads implement the one monad's type class (e.g. MonadState) in a special way (see below for a pattern):
  - ReaderT's MonadState Implementation
  - WriterT's MonadState Implementation
  - ExceptT's MonadState Implementation
  - ContT's MonadState Implementation

Looking at those implementations above, we can see a general pattern (there are some exceptions to this due to how the types need to be handled, but this is generally true):

- Require one of the types in the instance context to be an instance of MonadState
- Implement the type class by lifting the instance into the monad and delegate that
  monad's implementation to that instance. Again, the monadic newtyped functions are
  merely handling the "behind the scenes" stuff of the effects. At the end of the day, it's
  still the base monad that actually makes the whole thing work.

Thus, [Word]T provides a default implementation for Monad[Word] and makes it possible to grant the base monad its capability.

In short, this type class enables us to use all of the functions from each type class explained in this folder

# **Using MonadTrans**

When we wrote code for our MonadState example, we had something that looked like this:

```
type Output = Int
type StateType = Int
computation :: State StateType Output
computation = do
    modify_ (_ + 1)
    modify_ (_ * 10)
    modify_ (_ + 1)

main :: Effect Unit
main = case runState computation 0 of
    Tuple output state -> do
        log $ "Result of computation: " <> show output
        log $ "End state of computation: " <> show state
```

The above code works because we're using MonadState behind the scenes via StateT's instance. However, this function's type signature restricts us to only using StateT for computations. If we want to define computation, so that it can use functions from MonadWriter, we'll need to use a different approach. Let's fix this one step at a time.

First, we'll abstract our State type into MonadState by using a type constraint:

```
type Output = Int
type StateType = Int
computation :: forall m => MonadState StateType m => m Output
computation = do
  modify_ (_ + 1)
  modify_ (_ * 10)
  modify_{-}(_{-}+1)
-- use a helper function to tell the type inferer that
-- `computation`'s `m` type is `StateT`
runProgram :: State StateType Output -> Tuple Output StateType
runProgram s = runState s 0
main :: Effect Unit
main = case runProgram computation of
  Tuple string state -> do
    log $ "Result of computation: " <> string
    log $ "End state of computation: " <> show state
```

Second, we'll add another type class constraint for MonadAsk to expose it's tell function:

Great! We now have a single computation that can do both state manipulation and use tell. However, how does that affect runProgram?

```
runProgram :: StateT_and_WriterT -> StateT_and_WriterT_Output
runProgram s = -- ???
```

When we used a monad (e.g. WriterT) to run a computation, we didn't need to specify the monad type being used. So, we used Identity as a placeholder monad and used the type alias, Writer, to make it easier to write. To use another computational monad (e.g. StateT) inside of Writer, we now need to specify what that monad is by re-exposing the T part of WriterT and replacing Identity with StateT. Putting it differently, WriterT is now transforming the monad, StateT with additional effects, which is likewise transforming the base monad, Identity with additional effects:

```
-- simple writer computation
writer :: Writer NonOutputData Output -> Tuple NonOuputData Output
writer w = runWriter w
-- re-expose the T part of WriterT
writer :: WriterT NonOutputData Identity Output -> Tuple NonOuputData Output
writer w = runWriter w
-- swap `Identity` with a type alias called Computation
type Computation = Identity
writer :: WriterT NonOutputData Computation Output -> Tuple NonOuputData Output
writer w = runWriterT w
-- Since the types will get long soon, break up the type signature
type Computation = Identity
writer :: WriterT NonOutputData Computation Output
       -> Tuple NonOuputData Output
writer w = runWriterT w
-- StateT with its T exposed but set to Identity still
state :: StateT State Identity Output -> Tuple Output State
state s = runState s initialState
-- re-alias Computation to StateT
-- and use `runWriterT` instead of `runWriter`
type Computation = StateT State Identity Output
writer :: WriterT NonOutputData Computation Output
       -> Tuple NonOuputData Output
writer w = runWriterT w
-- getting rid of the type alias and inlining its type
-- and rename the function's name to 'runProgram'
runProgram :: WriterT NonOutputData (StateT State Identity stateOutput) Output
           -> finalOutput
runProgram ws = ???
-- Realizing that `StateT` with all three of its types specified
-- now has kind "Type" and is thus no longer a monad ("Type -> Type"),
-- we remove the `stateOutput` type to increase
-- StateT's kind from "Type" to "Type -> Type", making it a monad again
-- so that it satisfies WriterT's monadic type requirement
runProgram :: WriterT NonOutputData (StateT State Identity) Output
           -> finalOutput
runProgram ws = ???
-- To run StateT, we also need an `initialState` argument. Let's add it
runProgram :: WriterT NonOutputData (StateT State Identity) Output
           -> State
           -> finalOutput
runProgram ws initialState = ???
```

A few questions arise as we do this:

- 1. What should finalOutput 's type be if we combine the two monad transformers together?
- 2. How should program 's body be implemented?

The types give us a few clues for a top-down explanation. First (answering question 2), we realize that State's monad type is still Identity since no other monad type is inside of StateT. Thus, we know that we'll need to use runState to unpack its results. Using this line of reasoning, we'll also need to use runWriterT instead of runWriter because the WriterT type is using a non-Identity monad.

That leaves us with two possible options:

- runWriterT (runState ws initialState)
- runState (runWriterT ws) initialState

Second (answering question 1), we know that running a StateT returns Tuple stateOutput state and running a WriterT returns Tuple writerOutput nonOutputData. That means we'll likely get something close to one of these options:

- 1. Both outputs are returned using a Tuple that groups them together:
  - Tuple (Tuple stateOutput state) (Tuple writerOutput nonOutputData) (Or vice versa in its order)
- 2. The output of one monad is the stateOutput (a) or writerOutput (b) of the other:
  - a: Tuple (Tuple writerOutput nonOutputData) state
  - b: Tuple (Tuple stateOutput state ) nonOutputData

Since we're running one monad inside of another, the second option seems more likely.

The question is, which one is correct?

Let's continue by examining runStateT / runState and runWriterT / runWriter. We know that runMonad is just a wrapper around runMonadT when the monad is Identity:

```
newtype StateT s m a =
   StateT (s -> m (Tuple a s))

runState :: StateT state Identity output -> state -> Tuple output state
runState s initialState = unwrapIdentity $ runStateT s initialState

runStateT :: StateT state monad output -> state -> monad Tuple output state
runStateT (StateT function) initialState = function initialState

newtype WriterT w m a =
   WriterT (m (Tuple a w))

runWriter :: WriterT nonOutputData Identity output -> Tuple output
nonOutputData
runWriterT w = unwrapIdentity $ runWriterT w

runWriterT :: WriterT nonOutputData monad output -> monad Tuple output
nonOutputData
runWriterT w = w
```

They key takeaway here is that run[Monad]T returns the same monad that is specified in [Monad]T. Looking at our function again...

... running the WriterT NonOuputData monad output via runWriterT will return its monad type. Since that monad type is StateT State Identity Output, we will take the output of running WriterT (which outputs a StateT) and run the output via runState Since StateT's monad type is Identity:

That answers the second question (how to implement runProgram), but it still leaves us wondering what finalOutput is. This is easier to determine if we just look at runState and runWriterT again:

```
runWriterT :: WriterT nonOutputData monad output -> monad Tuple output
nonOutputData
-- reducing `monad Tuple output nonOutputData` to something easier, `m a`
type A = Tuple output nonOutputData
runWriterT :: WriterT nonOutputData monad output -> monad A
-- specializing `monad` to `StateT State identity`
type A = Tuple output nonOutputData
runWriterT :: WriterT nonOutputData (StateT state Identity) output
           -> (StateT state Identity A)
-- re-exposing the `a` in `StateT`
runWriterT :: WriterT nonOutputData (StateT state Identity) output
           -> (StateT state Identity (Tuple output nonOutputData))
-- Looking at what `runState` returns, we see
runState :: StateT state Identity output -> state -> Tuple output state
-- Replacing StateT's `output` type with `Tuple output NonOuputData`
-- we get this:
runState :: StateT state Identity (Tuple writerOutput nonOutputData)
        -> state
        -> Tuple (Tuple writerOutput nonOutputData) state
-- Thus, runProgram's type signature is:
runProgram :: WriterT NonOutputData (StateT State Identity Output) Output
           -> State
           -> Tuple (Tuple output NonOuputData) State
runProgram ws initialState =
  runState (runWriterT ws) initialState
-- hidng `StateT`'s monad type, `Identity`, gets us this:
runProgram :: WriterT NonOutputData (State state) Output
           -> state
           -> Tuple (Tuple Output NonOuputData) state
runProgram ws initialState =
  runState (runWriterT ws) initialState
```

#### **Reordering the Monad Stack**

What happens, however, if we flip the order of the stack? We'll see that the arguments get flipped and the output gets flipped.

While the computation's definition did not change, how the code gets run does change.

This creates one problem with "monad stacks:" the order of how the monad transformers are run can change how the computation is evaluated. We'll cover this in more detail later.

# **Monad Transformer Stacks**

You will want to bookmark this page.

Generalizing the idea we discovered in the previous file into a pattern, we get something like this:

```
program :: forall m
        . MonadState StateType m
       => MonadWriter NonOutputData m
    -- => other needed type classes here in any order...
       => m ProgramFinalOutputType
program = do
  -- use all the functions from the type classes
-- StateT state
                       monad output
-- "IndexN possibleInput monad typeClassOutput"
runProgram :: Index3 input3 (
                                 -- top of the stack
               Index2 input2 (
                Index1 input1 (
                  Index0 input0
                              -- | bottom of the stack (the base monad)
                    Identity
                                 -- =
                  output0
                 ) output1
               ) output2
             ) output3
       -- -> input0
                        -- =
       -- =
       -- -> input3
          -> Tuple (
               Tuple (
                Tuple (
                  Tuple (
                    computationOutput
                    output3
                  )
                  output2
                )
                output1
               output0
runProgram program {- args -} =
                                         -- bottom of the stack
  runIndex0 (
   runIndex1T (
     runIndex2T (
       runIndex3T program index3Args -- top of the stack
     ) index2Args
   ) index1Args
  ) index0Args
```

Note: when using ExceptT, MaybeT, or ListT, the outputs won't necessarily be Tuple s.

## **Monad Trans**

MonadTrans enables one computational monad to run inside another, thereby exposing multiple type class' functions for usage in bind/>>= / do notation in the same function. It enables one to write an entire program via newtyped function monads (or functions with monadic syntax).

```
class MonadTrans t where
  lift :: forall m a. m a -> t m a
```

#### Laws

See its docs

#### **Instances**

- StateT
- ReaderT
- WriterT
- ExceptT
- ContT

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```
module ComputingWithMonads.MonadTrans where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Tuple (Tuple(...))
-- State
import Control.Monad.State.Class (class MonadState, get, gets, modify_)
import Control.Monad.State (State, runState)
-- Writer
import Control.Monad.Writer.Class (class MonadWriter, tell)
import Control.Monad.Writer.Trans (WriterT, runWriterT)
program :: forall m.
           MonadState Int m =>
           MonadWriter String m =>
           m String
program = do
    currentState <- get</pre>
    tell $ "Current State is now: " <> show currentState
    modify_{( + 10)}
    gets show
run :: forall a. WriterT String (State Int) a
    -> Int
    -> Tuple (Tuple a String) Int
run function initialState = runState (runWriterT function) initialState
main :: Effect Unit
main = case run program ⊙ of
  Tuple (Tuple output nonOutputData) nextState -> do
    log $ "Finished!"
    log $ "(Computation) final output: " <> show output
    log $ "(Writer) non-output data: " <> show nonOutputData
    log $ "(State)
                     next state: " <> show nextState
    let (Tuple (Tuple o _ ) _ ) = run program 8
    log $ "Using pattern matching to get the computation's output: " <> show o
```

## **Drawbacks of MTL**

The following lists some of the issues one will face when using MTL.

#### Note:

- Some of the below flaws may be specific only to Haskell and not Purescript.
- In the below sources, any mention of Haskell's IORef is equivalent to Purescript's Ref: a global mutable variable.

#### MonadState Allows Only One State Manipulation Type

First, due to the functional dependency from m to s in MonadState 's definition, it's impossible to do two different state manipulations within the same function. For example...

```
f:: forall m ouput.
    => MonadState Int m
    => MonadState String m
    -> m output
f = do
    whichValue <- get</pre>
```

The compiler will complain because it doesn't know which value it should 'get'. See the answer to Haskell -- Chaining two states using StateT monad transformer

One solution to this is to store all states in one larger state type and then use a Lens to access/change it:

```
type IntAndString = { i :: Int, s :: String }
f :: forall m output.
    => MonadState IntAndString m
    -> m output
```

The second solution is to use type-level programming to specify which MonadState we are referring to via an id Symbol. This would force us to change MonadState 's definition to:

```
class (Monad m) <= MonadState (id :: Symbol) state m | m -> state
    state :: forall a. Proxy id -> (s -> m (Tuple a s)) -> m a

_i :: Proxy "i"
_i = Proxy

_s :: Proxy "s"
_s = Proxy

f :: forall m ouput.
    => MonadState "i" Int m
    => MonadState "s" String m
    -> m output

f = do
    theInt <- get _i
    theString <- get _s</pre>
```

However, I'm not sure what are the pros/cons of this approach, but this is similar to how Run (explained in the Free folder) enables two different state manipulations.

# MonadState & MonadWriter lose their state on a runtime error

If a runtime error occurs in a computation that uses MonadState or MonadWriter, then the states in both MonadState and MonadWriter are lost (because the computation halts).

### WriterT & RWST has a "space leak" problem

This is largely due to WriterT's usage of Monoid. The 'fix' is to drop some of its features and use a StateT instead. See Writer Monads and Space Leaks - Infinite Negative Utility

Since RWST also encodes things via WriterT, it also suffers from this problem.

#### N-squared-ish Monad Transformer Instances

Whenever one wants to define a new monad transformer (e.g. MonadAuthenticate) to encode some effect, one must define  $\sim n^2$  instances:

• 1 MonadAuthenticate instance for each [Word]T type via MonadTrans to lift the monadic newtyped AuthenticateT function.

```
    Given this stack of monad transformers
        runCode :: AuthenticateT Credentials (StateT state (ReaderT value Identity
        Unit))
    Each monadic function type (e.g. StateT, ReaderT, etc.) must
        have an instance for MonadAuthenticate so it can lift the

            AuthenticateT computation into the next monad.
```

 n instances for the monadic newtyped AuthenticateT function, so that it can lift its computation into all the other monad transformer type classes (e.g. AuthenticateT -> MonadState, MonadWriter, etc.)

```
    Given this stack of monad transformers
        runCode :: ReaderT Value (StateT state (AuthenticateT Credentials Identity
        Unit))
    AuthenticateT must lift ReaderT and StateT into an AuthenticateT
        monadic type.
```

In short, we define that many instances so that the order of the monad stack does not matter **as much**. If our stack has an ExceptT somewhere in there, where that type occurs will change the final output.

Note: I say roughly  $\sim n^2$  because apparently there are some cases where "lifting" a function would break a law (or something).

# Monad transformer stacks' type signatures get complicated quickly

Related to the previous point, but the type signatures start getting crazy very quickly. For new beginners who are just learning about monad transformers, this can be quite offsetting:

```
-- as an example using pseudo-syntax...
f :: StateT State (ReaderT reader (WriterT writer (ExceptT error Effect output)
output))
```

#### The Order of the Monad Transformer Stack Matters

We mentioned this previously when covering how to use a monad transformer:

```
type Output = Int
type StateType = Int
type NonOutputData = String
computation :: forall m
          . MonadState StateType m
         => MonadAsk NonOuputData m
         => m Output
computation = do
 modify_ (_ + 1)
 tell "Modified state by adding 1"
 currentState <- modify (_ * 10)</pre>
  tell $ "Modified state by multiplying by 10. It is now "
    <> show currentState
 modify_{(+1)}
-- Both `program1` and `program2` support the necessary
-- capabilities to run `computation`.
runProgram1 :: WriterT NonOutputData (State state) Output
            -> state
            -> Tuple (Tuple Output NonOuputData) state
runProgram1 initialState =
  runState (runWriterT computation) initialState
runProgram2 :: StateT state (Writer NonOutputData) Output
            -> state
            -> Tuple (Tuple Output state) NonOuputData
runProgram2 initialState =
  runWriter (runStateT computation initialState)
```

Imagine if one of these was ExceptT. That monad transformer's location in the stack can affect how the computation works and whether it works as expected.

# The ReaderT/Capability Design Pattern

#### The ReaderT and Capability Design Patterns

Some of the drawbacks of MTL (though not all of them) are what led to the ReaderT Design Pattern from which I originally got many of the above problems.

This design pattern was interpreted by others in a different way, so that it led to the Capability Design Pattern post.

The main point of the Capability Design Pattern is that the Monad[Word] type classes define what effects will be used in some function, not necessarily how that will be accomplished. This key insight is what makes testing our business logic code much simpler.

For a clearer picture of this idea, see the Three Layer Haskell Cake.

Looking at the above from a top-down perspective, we get this:

Layer Level	Onion Architecture Term	General idea
Layer 4	Core	Strong types with well-defined properties and their pure, total functions that operate on them
Layer 3	Domain	the "business logic" code which uses effects
Layer 2	API	the "production" or "test" monad which "links" these effects/capabilties to their implementations: (i.e. a newtyped ReaderT and its instances)
Layer 1	Infrastructure	the platform-specific framework/monad we'll use to implement some special effects/capabilities (i.e. Node.ReadLine / Halogen / StateT)
Layer 0	Machine Code (no equivalent onion term)	<pre>the "base" monad that runs the program (i.e. production: Effect / Aff; test: Identity / Trampoline)</pre>

Putting it into code, we would get something that looks like this:

```
-- Layer 4
newtype Name = Name String
getName :: Name -> String
getName (Name s) = s
-- Layer 3
-- Capability type classes:
class (Monad m) <= LogToScreen m where</pre>
  log :: String -> m Unit
class (Monad m) <= GetUserName m where</pre>
  getUserName :: m Name
-- Business logic that uses these capabilities
-- which makes it easier to test
program :: forall m.
          LogToScreen m =>
          GetUserName m =>
          m Unit
program = do
  log "What is your name?"
  name <- getUserName
  log $ "You name is" <> (getName name)
-- Layer 2 (Production)
-- Environment type
type Environment = { someValue :: Int } -- mutable state, read-only values,
etc. go in this record
-- newtyped ReaderT that implements the capabilities
newtype AppM a = AppM (ReaderT Environment Effect a)
derive newtype instance functorTestM
                                       :: Functor AppM
derive newtype instance applyAppM
                                          :: Apply AppM
derive newtype instance Applicative AppM
derive newtype instance bindAppM
derive newtype instance monadAppM
:: Bind AppM
:: Monad AppM
derive newtype instance monadEffect :: MonadEffect AppM
runApp :: AppM a -> Environment -> Effect a
runApp (AppM reader_T) env = runReaderT reader_T env
-- Layer 1 (the implementations of each instance)
instance LogToScreen AppM where
  log = liftEffect <<< Console.log</pre>
instance GetUserName AppM where
  getUserName = liftEffect do
    -- some effectful thing that produces a string
```

```
pure $ Name "some name"
-- Layer 0 (production)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  let globalEnvironmentInfo = -- global stuff
  runApp program globalEnvironmentInfo
-- Layer 2 (test)
-- newtyped ReaderT that implements the capabilities for testing
newtype TestM a = TestM (Reader Environment a)
derive newtype instance functorTestM
                                       :: Functor TestM
derive newtype instance applyTestM
                                        :: Apply TestM
derive newtype instance Applicative TestM
derive newtype instance bindTestM
                                    :: Bind TestM
                                       :: Monad TestM
derive newtype instance monadTestM
runTest :: TestM a -> Environment -> a
runTest (TestM reader) env = runReader reader env
-- Layer 1 (test: implementations of instances)
instance LogToScreen TestM where
  log _ = pure unit -- no need to implement this
instance GetUserName TestM where
  getUserName = pure (Name "John") -- general idea. Don't do this in real code.
-- Layer 0 (test)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  let globalEnvironmentInfo = -- mutable state, read-only values, etc.
  assert $ (runTest program globalEnvironmentInfo) == correctValue
```

# When to Use it: ReaderT Design Pattern vs Monad Transformer Stack?

Scope of Code	Example	Use
Programming in the large (e.g. Application Structure)	Connecting impure effects to their pure type classes via an API layer	ReaderT

Scope of Code	Example	Use
Programming in the		
small	Doing one particular computation that	Monad
(e.g. a single	uses a number of effects that others in	Transformer
complicated	the surrounding context do not use	Stack
computation)		

### **Free**

#### **Overview**

This folder will do 4 things:

- explain what the Free monad is
- explain how it can be used to create a pure abstract syntax tree (AST) and interpret that AST into an impure but useful computation
- explain why one should use Run instead of Free
- explain the limitations of Free / Run.

Free monads are another way to structure the architecture of your program. However, I wouldn't recommend using this particular way of structuring your program. See this folder's "Drawbacks of Free" for some examples.

Moreover, the gist of Free monads is clearly explained by Nate Faubion in his overview of Free and CoFree: Unrolling Free & Cofree (stop at 1:19:23) (Actual YouTube video name is "PS Unscripted - Free from Tree & Halogen VDOM"). If you watch that video, you do not need to read through the "Why Use the Free Monad" folder's content.

The Free approach deals with the "bind forces us to return the same monad type it receives" restriction by using only one monad. Rather than building a large function that is composed of smaller functions that runs once the initial arguments are given to it (i.e. MTL), the Free approach will create an Abstract Sytax Tree (AST) that describes the desired computation in a pure way. This tree is later "interpreted" via a NaturalTransformation into a base monad (i.e. Effect) that runs those computations in an inpure way. In other words, something akin to

```
type DSL = DomainSpecificLanguage
type AbstractSyntaxTree output = Free DSL output

defineProgram :: AbstractSyntaxTree
defineProgram = -- implementation

runProgram :: AbstractSyntaxTree ~> Effect
runProgram = -- implementation
```

# What Are "Free" SomeTypeClass Types

When we first introduced type classes, we explained that they are an encapsulation of 2-3 things:

- 1. (always) A definition of 1 or more functions/values' type signatures
- 2. (almost always) Laws to which a concrete type's implementation of said type class must adhere
- 3. (frequently) Functions that a type obtains for free once the core defintion/values are implemented

Moreover, some type classes combine two or more type classes together

Thus, SomeTypeClass isn't so much a 'thing' as much as it is an expectation. We don't say that f is a SomeTypeClass (for it could implement it in various ways); rather, we are really saying that f has an instance that implements SomeTypeClass 's specialFunction function in such a way that it adheres to SomeTypeClass 's laws. As we saw from the MTL folder, even StateT, a newtyped function, can be called a Functor because it meets all of these requirements.

However, whenever we had a type that we wanted to use in a Functor -like way, we needed to define its Functor instance before we could use it in that way. In other words, we have to write a lot of boilerplate code.

What if we could grant Functor -like capabailities for any type without implementing such an instance? That is the idea behind "free" type classes.

Essentially, a "free" TypeClassName is a box-like type, Wrapper, that grants TypeClassName - capabilities to some other type, A, by providing the necessary structure for implementing a law-abiding TypeClassName instance for Wrapper.

In short, to create a "free" SomeTypeClass, we do 2 things:

- 1. Translate the type class into a higher-kinded type
- 2. Do the following for each of the type class' functions, starting with the easiest function:
  - o Translate one type class' function into a constructor for the new type
  - o Try to implement all required instances using the constructor
  - Fix problems that arise

#### A "Free" Monoid

When we look at Monoid, we see this type class:

```
class Monoid a where
    append :: a -> a -- include Semigroup's function
    mempty :: a

-- "hello" <> "world" == "helloworld"
-- "hello" <> mempty == "hello"
-- mempty <> "hello" == "hello"
```

Let's follow the instructions from above: First, we'll translate the type class into a data type that can take any type:

```
data FreeMonoid a
```

Second and starting with the easier function <code>mempty</code>, we'll translate it into a constructor for <code>FreeMonoid</code>. <code>mempty</code> is easy, since it translates into a placeholder constructor:

append is a bit harder. We need to store a value of type a, so we can try this:

However, if we try to implement this as (Append a1) <> (Append a2), we can't combine a1 and a2. Rather, we need to store both an a1 and an a2 in a single Append:

Our previous solution doesn't work either. If the failure case above is just another append, we get something like this: ((Append a1 Mempty) <> (Append a2 Mempty)) <> (Append a3 Mempty) Rather than defining a second a for Append, what if we nested the types together? This approach makes our code finally work:

```
data FreeMonoid a
  = Mempty
  --     al Mempty / Append a
  | Append a (FreeMonoid a )

instance Semigroup (FreeMonoid a) where
  append Mempty Mempty = Mempty
  append a Mempty = a
  append Mempty a = a
  append (Append a memptyOrAppend) otherAppend =
    Append a (memptyOrAppend <> otherAppend)

instance Monoid (FreeMonoid a) where
  mempty = Mempty
```

The above code is the exact same thing as a familiar data type, List:

```
data List a
    = Nil
    | Cons a (List a)

instance Semigroup (List a) where
    append Nil Nil = Nil
    append a Nil = a
    append Nil a = a
    append (Cons head tail) otherList =
        Cons head (tail <> otherList)

instance Monoid (List a) where
    mempty = Nil
```

Thus, we say that List is a "free" monoid because by wrapping some type (e.g. Fruit) into a List, we get a monoid instance for Fruit for free:

This idea can be useful for when we have types that can't implement specific type classes.

## What Is and Is Not The Free Monad

Since List was the free monoid type, what would be the free monad type?

```
-- monad class fully expanded...
class Monad f where
  map :: forall a. (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
  apply :: forall a. f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
  bind :: forall a. f a -> (a -> f b) -> f b
  pure :: forall a. a -> f a
```

Using our previous instructions...

In short, to create a "free" SomeTypeClass, we do 3 things:

- 1. Translate the type class into a higher-kinded type
- 2. Do the following for each of the type class' functions, starting with the easiest function:
  - Translate one type class' function into a constructor for the new type
  - Try to implement all required instances using the constructor
  - Fix problems that arise

We'll start with the simplest function, pure:

Well, that was easy... Wasn't this the same implementation as Identity from before? You are correct.

```
data Identity a = Identity a
instance Applicative Identity where
  pure a = Identity a

instance Functor Identity where
  map f (Identity a) = Identity (f a)

instance Apply Identity where
  apply (Identity f) (Identity a) = Identity (f a)

instance Bind Identity where
  bind (Identity a) f = f a
```

We can see here that Identity is a free Functor, Apply, Applicative, Bind, and therefore Monad for any type with kind Type.

However, that's not what others mean when they talk about **the** free Monad type. The Free monad makes any Functor (i.e. type with kind Type -> Type) a monad.

There are other "free" type classes (mentioned below). AFAIK, these types were not discovered at the same time by the same people. Rather, they were discovered over time as solutions to specific problems. See below for these types:

- Coyoneda docs & source code a free Functor for any type of kind Type -> Type.
- FreeAp docs & source code a free Applicative for any type of kind Type -> Type . Here's the related paper, which will likely make more sense once we explain how the Free monad works.
- Free (the original version) a free Monad for any Functor. Its implementation suffers from big performance problems when run.
- Free (reflection without remorse) docs & source code a free Monad for any Functor.
   Its implementation removes the performance penalties of the original version and includes all of the optimizations discovered by Oleg Kiselyov (as stated by someone in PureScript's chatroom).

At this time, Coyoneda and FreeAp will not be discussed in this folder. Rather, the upcoming files will focus entirely on the Free monad.

# **The Original Free Monad**

Rather than explaining how one can eventually reason their way through defining what the type is for the original Free monad (a bottom-up approach), we'll simply show its definition, its instances, and demonstrate why it has to work that way (a top-down approach).

```
data Free f a
    = Pure a
    | Impure (f (Free f a))
```

Let's say that Identity is our f / Functor type. What does a concrete value of the Free data type look like?

```
Impure ( Identity (
    Impure ( Identity (
        Impure ( Identity (
            Pure a
            ))
            ))
))
```

In other words, Free is just a tree-like data structure of nested Identity values (the branches in our tree) that eventually wrap a final value (the leaf in our tree). In our current example, the tree is unbalanced, so that it appears more like a linked-list than a tree:

The only difference is that Identity itself is wrapped in another type. So how do we change a value that is wrapped in a box-like type? We use Functor 's map, of course! We'll use map in most of Free 's instances for the needed type classes:

Let's see map in action via a graph reduction:

```
-- Start!
map f (
  Impure ( Identity (
    Impure ( Identity (
      Pure 5
    ))
  ))
-- Recursively apply `map` until we get a `Pure` value
-- 1.
  Impure ( map f Identity (
    Impure ( Identity (
      Pure 5
    ))
  ))
)
-- 2.
   Impure ( Identity (
     map f Impure ( Identity (
       Pure 5
     ))
   ))
 )
-- 3.
   Impure ( Identity (
     Impure ( map f Identity (
       Pure 5
     ))
   ))
 )
-- 4.
   Impure ( Identity (
     Impure ( Identity (
       map f (Pure 5)
     ))
   ))
-- Now apply the function to pure's value
        (
   Impure ( Identity (
     Impure ( Identity (
       Pure (f 5)
     ))
   ))
 )
-- End definition
map f (
  Impure ( Identity (
```

```
Impure ( Identity (
        Pure a
      ))
   ))
)
==
Impure ( Identity (
      Impure ( Identity (
        Pure (f a)
      ))
   ))
```

Let's look at the Apply instance now:

Let's see apply in action via a graph reduction:

```
-- Reminder: function arg == arg # function
 -- Start
       "Left" Impure
                                "Right" Impure
 apply (Impure (Identity (Pure f))) (Impure (Identity (Pure a)))
 -- Use `map` to recursively call `apply` on the left Impure until we get the
 -- Pure value
 Impure ((Identity (Pure f)) <#> (\pure_F -> apply pure_F (Impure (Identity
 (Pure a)))))
 Impure (Identity ((Pure f) # (\pure_F -> apply pure_F (Impure (Identity))
 (Pure a)))))
 -- apply 'Pure f' to the function
 Impure (Identity (
                                (\(Pure f) -> apply (Pure f) (Impure (Identity
 (Pure a)))))
 Impure (Identity (
                                              apply (Pure f) (Impure (Identity
 (Pure a)))))
 -- Remove the extra whitespace
 Impure (Identity (apply (Pure f) (Impure (Identity (Pure a)))))
 -- Now use `map` to recursiveely call `apply` on the right Impure until we get
 -- Pure value
 Impure (Identity (Impure ((Identity (Pure a) <#> (\pure_A -> apply (Pure f)
 Impure (Identity (Impure (Identity ((Pure a) # (\pure_A -> apply (Pure f)
 pure_A))))
 -- apply `Pure a` to the function
 Impure (Identity (Impure (Identity (
                                                 (\(Pure a) -> apply (Pure f)
 (Pure a))))))
 Impure (Identity (Impure (Identity (
                                                                apply (Pure f)
 (Pure a) ))))
 -- Remove thee extra whitespace
 Impure (Identity (Impure (Identity (apply (Pure f) (Pure a)))))
 -- Look up the instance
       apply (Pure f) (Pure a) = Pure (f a)
 -- and replace the LHS with the RHS
 Impure (Identity (Impure (Identity (Pure (f a)))))
Now let's define Bind, again using the map recursively:
 instance (Functor f) => Bind (Free f) where
   bind (Pure a) f = f a
   bind (Impure f_of_Free) f =
     Impure (f_of_Free <#> (
       -- recursively call `bind` on nested `Impure` values
       -- until we get a `Pure` value of Free
       \pure_A -> bind pure_A f
       -- apply the function and then rewrap `Impure` values
     ))
```

Let's see bind in action via a graph reduction:

```
-- Start!
bind (Impure ( Identity (Pure a))) f
-- Recursively call `bind` via `map` until reach a `Pure` value:
bind (Impure ( Identity (Pure a))) f
      Impure ((Identity (Pure a)) <#> (\pure_a -> bind pure_a f) )
      Impure ( Identity ((Pure a) # (\pure_a -> bind pure_a f)))
-- Apply `Pure a` to the function
      Impure ( Identity (
                                                   bind (Pure a) f)))
      Impure ( Identity (
                                                   bind (Pure a) f))
-- remove extra white space
Impure ( Identity (bind (Pure a) f))
-- Look up the instance
     bind (Pure a) f = f a
-- and replace the LHS with the RHS
Impure ( Identity (Pure (f a)))
```

#### **Definition of Free Monad**

Putting it all together, we get this:

```
data Free f a
 = Pure a
  | Impure (f (Free f a))
instance Applicative (Free f) where
  pure a = Pure a
instance (Functor f) => Functor (Free f) where
  map f (Pure a) = Pure (f a)
 map f (Impure f_of_Free) =
    Impure (f_of_Free <#> (
      -- recursively call `map` on nested `Impure` values
      -- until we get a `Pure` value of Free
      \pure_A -> map f pure_A
      -- which applies the function to the a
      -- and then rewraps the `Impure` values
    ))
instance (Functor f) => Apply (Free f) where
  apply (Pure f) (Pure a) = Pure (f a)
  apply (Impure f_of_Free_F) pure_A =
    Impure (f_of_Free_F <#> (
      -- recursively call `apply` on nested `Impure` values
      -- until we get a `Pure` value of Free
        \pure_F -> apply pure_F pure_A
      -- apply the function and then rewrap `Impure` values
    ))
  apply pure_F (Impure f_of_Free) =
    Impure (f_of_Free <#> (
      -- recursively call `apply` on nested `Impure` values
      -- until we get a `Pure` value of Free
        \pure_A -> apply pure_F pure_A
      -- apply the function and then rewrap `Impure` values
    ))
instance (Functor f) => Bind (Free f) where
  bind (Pure a) f = f a
  bind (Impure f_of_Free) f =
    Impure (f_of_Free <#> (
      -- recursively call `bind` on nested `Impure` values
      -- until we get a `Pure` value of Free
      \pure_A -> bind pure_A f
      -- apply the function and then rewrap `Impure` values
    ))
```

The next file will explain why this implementation has performance problems.

### The Remorseless Free Monad

What follows is a quick summary of the Reflection without Remorse paper. This summary:

- explains what's at the heart of the original Free 's performance problem
- explains using a very high-level "read the paper if you want to understand the 'type magic'" explanation for how the "reflection without remorse" version of Free fixes that performance problem.

#### Similar Shapes: The Free Monoid and the Free Monad

Surpisingly, these two "free" types bear a similar resemblence:

```
data List a = Nil | Cons a (List a )
data Free f a = Pure a | Impure (f (Free f a))
```

A list is just an unbalanced tree. Thus, Free is essentially the same as List, except that it stores a higher-kinded type (kind Type -> Type) rather than a concrete type (kind Type)

This similarity will be used to explain why Free has performance problems.

#### The Direction Matters

Let's talk about Semigroup:

```
class Semigroup a where
  append :: a -> a -> a

infix 4 append as <>
instance Semigroup Int where
  append i1 i2 = i1 + i2
```

Semigroup requires its implementation to adhere to the law of association, meaning that, when append is used on the output of a previous append and some other value, the location of the parenthenses don't matter:

```
1 <> 2 <> 3 <> 4 <> 5 <> 6 <> 7 <> 8
-- no association: Tree-like structure
-- Start
                                       5 <> 6 <>
  1 <> 2 <> 3 <> 4
                                <>
-- Add parentheesis, starting from the 'leaves'
 (1 \leftrightarrow 2) \leftrightarrow (3 \leftrightarrow 4) \leftrightarrow (5 \leftrightarrow 6) \leftrightarrow (7 \leftrightarrow 8)
((1 \leftrightarrow 2) \leftrightarrow (3 \leftrightarrow 4)) \leftrightarrow ((5 \leftrightarrow 6) \leftrightarrow (7 \leftrightarrow 8))
-- Left association: List-like structure
-- Start
        1 <> 2 <> 3 <> 4 <> 5 <> 6 <> 7 <> 8
-- Add parenthesis, starting from the left
       (1 \iff 2) \iff 3 \iff 4 \iff 5 \iff 6
                                                     <> 7 <> 8
     ((1 \Leftrightarrow 2) \Leftrightarrow 3) \Leftrightarrow 4 \Leftrightarrow 5 \Leftrightarrow 6 \Leftrightarrow 7 \Leftrightarrow 8
    (((1 \Leftrightarrow 2) \Leftrightarrow 3) \Leftrightarrow 4) \Leftrightarrow 5 \Leftrightarrow 6 \Leftrightarrow 7 \Leftrightarrow 8
  ((((1 \Leftrightarrow 2) \Leftrightarrow 3) \Leftrightarrow 4) \Leftrightarrow 5) \Leftrightarrow 6 \Leftrightarrow 7 \Leftrightarrow 8
 (((((1 \Leftrightarrow 2) \Leftrightarrow 3) \Leftrightarrow 4) \Leftrightarrow 5) \Leftrightarrow 6) \Leftrightarrow 7 \Leftrightarrow 8)
(((((((1 <> 2) <> 3) <> 4) <> 5) <> 6) <> 7) <> 8)
-- Finish:
-- Right association: List-like structure
-- Start
1 <> 2 <> 3 <> 4 <> 5 <> 6 <> 7 <> 8
-- add parenthesis, starting from the right
1 <> 2 <> 3 <> 4 <> 5 <> 6 <> (7 <> 8)
1 <> 2 <> 3 <> 4 <> 5 <> (6 <> (7 <> 8))
1 <> 2 <> 3 <> 4 <> (5 <> (6 <> (7 <> 8)))
1 <> 2 <> 3 <> (4 <> (5 <> (6 <> (7 <> 8))))
1 <> 2 <> (3 <> (4 <> (5 <> (6 <> (7 <> 8)))))
1 <> (2 <> (3 <> (4 <> (5 <> (6 <> (7 <> 8))))))
-- Finish:
1 <> (2 <> (3 <> (4 <> (5 <> (6 <> (7 <> 8))))))
```

We can see that the output of adding up all these integers, regardless of where we put the parenthesis, will still be the same output value (that's the law of associativity).

However, functions that are "associative" sometimes take longer to output that value depending on which "direction" it goes. As an example, consider the Semigroup instance for List:

```
data List a
  = Nil
  | Cons a (List a)
infix 4 Cons as:
-- Nil == []
-- 1 : Nil == [1]
-- 1 : 2 : 3 : Nil == [1, 2, 3]
-- Right associative: Start
(1 : Nil) <> (2 : Nil) <> (3 : Nil) <> (4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil) -- 0
(1 : Nil) <> (2 : Nil) <> (3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil))
                                                                          -- 0
(1 : Nil) <> (2 : Nil) <> ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)))
                                                                          -- 0
(1 : Nil) <> ((2 : Nil) <> ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)))) -- 0
append (1 : Nil) ((2 : Nil) <> ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)))) -- 1
1 : (append Nil ((2 : Nil) <> ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil))))) -- 2
1 : ((2 : Nil) <> ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil))))
1 : (append (2 : Nil) ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil))))
                                                                          -- 4
1 : (2 : (append Nil ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil))))
                                                                          -- 5
1 : (2 : ((3 : Nil) <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil))))
                                                                          -- 6
1 : (2 : (3 : (append Nil <> ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)))))
                                                                          -- 7
                                                                          -- 8
1 : (2 : (3 : ((4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)))))
1 : (2 : (3 : (4 : (append Nil (5 : Nil)))))
                                                                          -- 9
1 : (2 : (3 : (4 : (5 : Nil))))
                                                                          -- 10
1 : (2 : (3 : (4 : 5 : Nil)))
                                                                          -- 11
1 : (2 : (3 : 4 : 5 : Nil))
                                                                          -- 12
1: (2:3:4:5: Nil)
                                                                          -- 13
1:2:3:4:5:Nil
                                                                          -- 14
-- Left associative: Start
-- List1
                  List2
                                              List4
                                                            List5
                               List3
   (1 : Nil) <> (2 : Nil) <> (3 : Nil) <> (4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                           -- 0
  ((1 : Nil) <> (2 : Nil)) <> (3 : Nil) <> (4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                           -- 0
 (((1 : Nil) <> (2 : Nil)) <> (3 : Nil)) <> (4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                            -- 0
((((1 : Nil) \Leftrightarrow (2 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (3 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (4 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (5 : Nil) -- 0
(((append (1 : Nil) (2 : Nil)) <> (3 : Nil)) <> (4 : Nil)) <> (5 : Nil) -- 1
(((1 : (append Nil (2 : Nil))) <> (3 : Nil)) <> (4 : Nil)) <> (5 : Nil) -- 2
(((1 : (2 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (3 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (4 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (5 : Nil)
                                                                            -- 3
(((1 : 2 : Nil) \Leftrightarrow (3 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (4 : Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (5 : Nil)
                                                                            -- 3
-- At this point, we will need to iterate
-- through the List1 all over again!
((append (1 : 2 : Nil) (3 : Nil)) <> (4 : Nil)) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                            -- 4
((1 : (append (2 : Nil) (3 : Nil))) <> (4 : Nil)) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                            -- 5
((1 : 2 : (append Nil (3 : Nil))) <> (4 : Nil)) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                            -- 6
((1:2:(3:Nil)) \leftrightarrow (4:Nil)) \leftrightarrow (5:Nil)
                                                                            -- 7
((1:2:3:Nil) \Leftrightarrow (4:Nil)) \Leftrightarrow (5:Nil)
                                                                            -- 7
-- At this point, we will need to iterate
-- through the List1 AND List2 all over again!
(append (1 : 2 : 3 : Nil) (4 : Nil)) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                            -- 8
(1: (append (2:3:Nil) (4:Nil))) <> (5:Nil)
                                                                            -- 9
(1:2: (append (3: Nil) (4: Nil))) <> (5: Nil)
                                                                            -- 10
(1:2:3: (append Nil (4:Nil))) <> (5:Nil)
                                                                            -- 11
```

```
(1:2:3:(4:Nil)) <> (5:Nil)
                                                                      -- 12
(1 : 2 : 3 : 4 : Nil) <> (5 : Nil)
                                                                      -- 12
-- At this point, we will need to iterate
-- through the List1 AND List2 AND List3 all over again!
append (1 : 2 : 3 : 4 : Nil) (5 : Nil)
                                                                      -- 13
1 : (append (2 : 3 : 4 : Nil) (5 : Nil))
                                                                      -- 14
1 : 2 : (append (3 : 4 : Nil) (5 : Nil))
                                                                      -- 15
                                                                      -- 16
1:2:3: (append (4: Nil) (5: Nil))
1 : 2 : 3 : 4 : (append Nil (5 : Nil))
                                                                      -- 17
1:2:3:4:(5:Nil)
                                                                      -- 18
1:2:3:4:5: Nil
                                                                      -- 18
```

The law of associativity guarantees that the output of a non/left/right-associative function will always be the same. However, the above code demonstrates that one direction of function application (right association) can be faster than another (left association).

So, let's think about why this occured. Due to the way the type is defined, List must use recursion to get to its tail Nil before it can replace that tail, Nil, with the list to which it is being appended. Since List and Free are structured similarly, then Free will also suffer the same performance costs if it uses a left-associative function to reach its tail, Pure. So, which function does Free use that acts just like append? The bind function. Every bind / >>= call will iterate through the entire Free structure, apply the function to its Pure a value and then rewrap everything in an Impure value:

```
-- Thus, this code...
freeMonad >>= f >>= g >>= h >>= ...
-- is synonymous with the runtime performance hit as this code...
(((list <> f) <> g) <> h) <> ...
```

When we call freeMonad >>= f, we iterate through freeMonad 's entire structure. When we take that output and bind / >>= it to g, we iterate through freeMonad 's entire structure plus any new nesting values that f added to it. When we take that output and bind / >>= it to h, the total cost is freeMonad + f's additional structure + g's additional structure. As a result, Free 's performance suffers because of its recursive nature.

Is recursion by itself bad? No, recursion can be quite helpful; it's not the problem. Rather, the problem with List's left-associative <> function is the slow recursive-time access to List's tail. Since List represents a sequence of values, we can fix the append problem by using a different sequence-like data structure that grants fast constant-time access to its tail. Similarly, to fix the problem with Free, we should define it differently, so that the "data structure" to which it is similar also has constant-time tail access (i.e. constant time access to its Pure value).

This sounds easy until you remember what bind 's type signature allows: bind :: forall

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

a b. m a  $\rightarrow$  (a  $\rightarrow$  m b)  $\rightarrow$  m b. In other words, bind must work "for all a and b types" where these types can differ in-between multiple bind calls.

Fortunately, the paper's authors figured out how to do this using a FingerTree (data structure with constant time head and tail access) that stores a special type that represents a bind 's type signature and which can be composed just like multiple bind functions. This "type magic" won't be explained here; you'll need to read the paper (see Section 4 and 5) on your own to understand it fully.

To quote from their documentation, Purescript's Free monad is "the Free monad implemented in the spirit of [that] paper."

Now that we understand what the Free monad is, let's see why it's useful.

# **The Expression Problem**

### **Brief Summary**

The Expression Problem can be summarized into three ideas:

The goal is to define a data type by cases, where

- 1. one can add new cases to the data type and
- 2. (one can add) new functions over the data type,
- 3. without recompiling existing code, and
- 4. while retaining static type safety.

	Pre-existing compiled function	Function is added
Pre-existing compiled data type	All languages	FP: Add a function in a new file OO: ???
Data type is added	FP: ??? OO: Add a subclass in a new file	Problem's Solution^^

<sup>^^</sup> This cannot be defined until the corresponding FP/OO issue (marked as ???) is resolved

### A Solution to the Expression Problem

The paper, Data Types à la carte, synthesized a number of known-at-the-time-of-writing ideas into a solution to the Expression problem by figuring out a way to compose complicated data types. When they applied their findings to the Free monad, they found that they could "run" multiple monads inside of one monad.

This folder is a summmary and commentary on the paper linked above. It is meant to be read alongside of or after you read the paper. While you, the reader, could just read the paper and ignore the rest of this folder's contents, there are some advantages to reading through this folder's contents alongside of the paper:

- Sometimes, the above paper will state that something is true, but not show why. This folder will explore that more and show why it's true.
- Sometimes, the paper may use unfamiliar terminology or use symbolic data types. This
  folder will explain the terminology and use alphabetical names to refer to some data
  types.
- The last file in this folder (i.e. Embedded Compilers.md) explains one of the key features one obtains by using the Free monad approach

### Reading the Paper and This Folder Side-by-Side

Rather than follow the paper exactly, this folder will define and solve a simpler version of the Expression Problem to demonstrate the basic idea of the solution. With that foundation, the paper's real problem will be explored and solved.

In addition, the paper explains how to write a show function that pretty prints the mathetmatical expression. This folder's contents will not overview that part of the paper. The full reasons will be explained when we get to that part.

#### **Contents of The Paper**

The paper above has 8 sections:

- 1. Introduction (what is the expression problem and an example of it?)
- 2. Fixing the Expression Problem (how do we compose data types?)
- 3. Evaluation (how do we evaluate composed data types?)
- 4. Automating Injections (how do we reduce boilerplate when working with composed data types?)
- 5. Examples (Provide a full example of a solution to our problem)
- 6. Monads for Free (Why is this relevant to Free monads?)
- 7. Applications (Using this approach to define extensible effects by composing Free monads)
- 8. Discussion

#### This folder has 8 files:

- 1. Seeing and Solving a Simple Problem
- 2. Reducing boilerplate via Either
- 3. Seeing and Solving a Harder Problem
- 4. Writing the Evaluate Function

- 5. Writing the Show function (optional)
- 6. From Expression to Free
- 7. Defining Modular Monads
- 8. Embedded Compilers

### **Correspondance Table**

This Folder	General Idea	Corresponding Paper section	General idea
1 (File)	Prep work: Defining and solving a simple version of the problem by composing data types	Sections 1/2/3/5 (ish)	Laying a foundation
2 (File)	Prep work: Abstract data type composition via	Section 4 (ish)	Laying a foundation
3 (File)	Showing why the paper's problem is hard to solve, but still solvable; reveal Coproduct	Sections 1/2/4/5 (ish)	-
4 (File)	-	Sections 3/5	Writing the evaluate function
5 (File)	Optional reading	Sections 3/5	Writing the show function
6 (Folder)	Show that Expression is really Free	Section 6	-
7 (File)	Using 'languages' to model effects	Section 6	Simulating the State monad
8 File	Defining abstract syntax trees via Free	Sections 6/7	Its relevance to and application for Free monads

# Seeing and Solving the Problem in FP Code

The goal is to define a data type by cases, where

- 1. one can add new cases to the data type and
- 2. (one can add) new functions over the data type,
- 3. without recompiling existing code, and
- 4. while retaining static type safety.

#### A Very Simple Example of The Problem

Given this code

We can easily add a new function to our code without needing to recompile our existing code

```
-- in another file...
intFruit :: Fruit -> Int
intFruit Apple = 0
intFruit Banana = 1
```

However, if we want to add another data constructor to Fruit, we can only do so by updating Fruit to include Orange and then updating all of our functions to include Orange as well:

Since Fruit has already been compiled, we will need to recompile our code with the updated version of Fruit. Moreover, if we do not update <code>showFruit/intFruit</code>, then we no longer have an exhaustive pattern match. Thus, these functions are no longer pure but are now partial functions.

#### The Solution

The solution, then, is to be able to define data types in such a way that they "compose". The best way to compose data types is to group two types into one type via a type wrapper:

How should FruitGrouper be defined? A value of FruitGrouper should only be one of 3 values:

- 1. FruitGrouper Apple
- 2. FruitGrouper Banana
- 3. FruitGrouper Orange

We can define it using this approach:

This approach will enable showFruit and intFruit to continue to work as expected. If we wanted to define a new function that uses both, we would pass in FruitGrouper instead:

```
-- original file. This cannot change once written!
data Fruit
  = Apple
  Banana
showFruit :: Fruit -> String
showFruit Apple = "apple"
showFruit Banana = "banana"
-- new file
data Fruit2
  = Orange
data FruitGrouper
  = Fruit_ Fruit
  | Fruit2_ Fruit2
showAllFruit :: FruitGrouper -> String
showAllFruit (Fruit_ appleOrBanana) = showFruit appleOrBanana
showAllFruit (Fruit2_ Orange) = "orange"
```

Great! We have now seen how to solve a **very simple version** of this problem. Now, let's refine this approach a bit as preparation for a future harder problem.

# **Reducing Boilerplate**

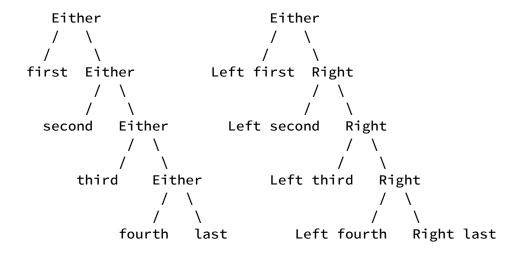
There are two problems with our current approach that we want to raise.

**First**, if we want to add another data constructor Cherry , we now need to nest that type even further using another type wrapper:

```
-- original file. This cannot change once written!
data Fruit
  = Apple
  Banana
showFruit :: Fruit -> String
showFruit Apple = "apple"
showFruit Banana = "banana"
-- File 2. This cannot change once written!
intFruit :: Fruit -> Int
intFruit Apple = 0
intFruit Banana = 1
data Fruit2
  = Orange
data FruitGrouper
 = Fruit_ Fruit
  | Fruit2_ Fruit2
showAllFruit :: FruitGrouper -> String
showAllFruit (Fruit_ appleOrBanana) = showFruit appleOrBanana
showAllFruit (Fruit2_ Orange) = "orange"
-- File 3.
data Fruit3 = Cherry
data FruitGrouper2
  = FruitGrouper_ FruitGrouper
  | Fruit3_ Fruit3
showMoreFruit :: FruitGrouper2 -> String
showMoreFruit (FruitGrouper_ a) = showAllFruit a
showMoreFruit (Fruit3_ Cherry) = "cherry"
```

We see that we keep nesting types inside more type wrappers. If we were to abstract this away into a more general type, we basically have nested <code>Eithers</code>:

Anytime we want to add a new data constructor, we need to nest it in another Either: Either first (Either second (Either third (Either fourth ... (Either \_ last)))) If we were to visualize this data structure, it looks like this:



Thus, to access last, we need to call Right (Right (Right (Right last)))

**Second**, using a value that is wrapped in a nested data structure leads to boilerplate.

Here's an example of putting a value of one of the nested types into the data structure. One needs to write a variant for each type position in our data structure:

If we want to extract a value of a type that is in our nested Either value, we need to return Maybe TheType because the value may be of a different type in the nested Either value. Using Maybe makes our code pure:

Once again, we need to write a variant of this function that works for every type position (e.g. first, second, and third) in our data structure.

In short, this boilerplate gets tedious. However, boilerplate usually implies a pattern we can use. Here's two ways we could make this easier:

- 1. Rather than using a nested Either type, why not define a type for this specific purpose?
- 2. Rather than using extractFrom and putInsideOf , why not define a type class with two functions for this specific purpose?

#### **Defining NestedEither**

Looking at our example of a nested Either below, what is the common structure?

So we come up with this idea, but it doesn't work...

...because we enter an infinte loop:

- 1. To define c in the Right value's NestedEither b c argument, we need the type declaraction, data NestedEither a b to include the third type, c. Thus, we go to step 2.
- 2. We update the type to data NestedEither a b c. However, now the NestedEither b c in Right value has only two types, not three. Thus, it no longer adheres to its own declaration (i.e. NestedEither b c? vs NestedEither a b c). To add the type, we need it to be different than the others to enable the recursive idea of a nested Either, so we'll call it d. Thus, we return to step 1 except c is now d in that example.

Still, we can clean up the verbosity/readability of nested Either's by creating an infix notation for it:

### **Defining InjectProject**

When we have to write the same function again and again for different types in FP languages, we convert it into a type class (e.g. Semigroup, Monoid, Functor, etc.). Likewise, when we look at our code below...

... we want putInsideOf to mean "if I have a data structure with nested types, take one of those types values and put it into that data structure." In other words, we want to inject some value into a data structure:

When we look at the other code we had...

... we want extractFrom to mean "If I have a data structure with nested types, I want to extract the value of a specific type out of that structure via Just or get Nothing if the value does not exist." In other words, we want to project some type's value from the data structure into the world:

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Turning this idea into a type class, we get this:

```
class InjectAndProject someType nestedType where
inject :: someType -> nestedType
project :: nestedType -> Maybe someType
```

### Purescript-Either

Indeed, the ideas we've proposed have already been defined by purescript-either:

- \/ as a type alias for Either
- The Inject type class and its implementation via "instance chains" that works for nested Either types.

The library provides convenience functions and types for nested Either s, **but only up to 10 total types**:

- Convenience functions for dealing with injection and projection
  - injection inX
  - projection atX
- Convenience functions for running code that handles every possible type in the nested Either:
  - eitherX
- Convenience types for writing them in a function's type signature without the \/ syntax
  - EitherX

# Seeing and Solving a Harder Example

#### **Failing to Solve a Harder Version**

Let's try using our Either -based solution to solve a harder problem. We'll solve the same problem the paper to which we referred beforehand solved.

They want to define a program that can evaluate an expression that consists of adding and multiplying integers. However, they want to define this program in such a way that it also solves the Expression Problem.

To start, we'll define the Value type that wraps an Int and the Addition type in the "file 1". An Addition should work in all of these cases:

- 1. Adds two ints
- 2. Adds an int and another add expression
- 3. Adds two add expressions.

To achieve this result, we'll define our type like so:

```
data Expression
    = Value Int
    | Add Expression Expression

evaluate :: Expression -> Int
    evaluate (Value i) = i
    evaluate (Add x y) = (evaluate x) + (evaluate y)

show2 :: Expression -> String
    show2 (Value i) = show i
    show2 (Add x y) = "(" <> show x <> " + " <> show y <> ")"
```

Now, if we want to add Multiply in "file 2" without changing or recompiling "file 1", how does that fare? If we define our data type for Multiply like this...

```
data Multiply = Multiply Expression Expression
```

... then Multiply will work similarly to Add:

- 1. Multiplies 2 Int values
- 2. Multiply an int value and an add expression
- 3. Multiply two add expressions

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The problem with our above definition is that it does not account for two other cases that should work:

- 1. Multiply two multiply expressions
- 2. Add two multiply expresions

#### **Exploring Our Options**

Let's model these types differently by separating them all into their own types that we can later compose. We won't include Multiply yet:

```
data Value = Value Int
data Add = Add Expression Expression

type Expression = Value \/ Add

value :: Int -> Expression
value i = inj (Value i)

add :: Expression -> Expression -> Expression
add x y = inj (Add x y)

show2 :: Expression -> String
show2 (Left (Value i)) = show i
show2 (Right (Add x y)) = "(" <> show2 x <> " + " <> show2 y <> ")"

evaluate :: Expression -> Int
evaluate (Left (Value i)) = i
evaluate (Right (Add x y)) = (evaluate x) + (evaluate y)
```

To achieve the capability to add and multiply Multiply expressions, what would we need to do, even if it means breaking the constraints of the Expression Problem?

```
-- File 1
data Value = Value Int
data Add = Add Expression Expression
-- File 2
data Multiply = Multiply Expression Expression
-- The problem: this is the final type we need
type Expression = Value \/ Add \/ Multiply
```

There are two places where we could define Expression, each with its own problems:

- If we define it in File 1, then its definition cannot include the Multiply field because File 1 doesn't know about that type.
- If we define it in File 2, then File 1 will not compile because the compiler does not know what the type, Expression, is.

Hmm... The Expression Problem is more nuanced than first thought. Still, the above refactoring helps shed light on what needs to be done. Let's look back at Add:

```
data Add = Add Expression Expression
```

Add must add 2 Expressions. However, we've hard-coded what Expression means. Since the location declaration of Expression causes a problem, we must turn this hard-coded type into a generic type to enable us to define it at a later time. The same goes for Multiply:

```
data Add expression = Add expression
-- or a less verbose version
data Multiply e = Multiply e e
```

We also know from our previous simpler problem that we will need to eventually compose our data types together into a big Expression type. In other words, we should get something like this:

```
-- L RL RR
-- Either Value (Either Add Multiply)

Right ( Left ( Add ( (Left (Value 1)) (Right ( Right ( Multiply (Left (Value 1)) (Left (Value 1)) ))

))
```

To summarize, we need to

- define the expression type in Add/Multiply generically so we can define it at a later time as a way (avoids the location problem)
- define an Expression type that composes data types together but somehow prevents them from knowing about one another. We need something like a "buffer zone" but for our types.

#### **Solving the Problem**

We'll show you how the paper solved this, starting with the type's value and then showing the actual type declaration/definition:

```
-- Value of our Expression type with Placeholder commented out
{- Placeholder ( -} Right ( Left ( Add (
  {- (Placeholder -} ( Left (Value 1))
  {- (Placeholder -} ( Right ( Multiply
              {- (Placeholder -} (Left (Value 1)) -- )
              {- (Placeholder -} (Left (Value 1)) -- )
                      ))) -- )
                    ))) -- )
-- A full value
Placeholder ( Right ( Left ( Add (
  (Placeholder ( Left (Value 1)))
  (Placeholder ( Right ( Right ( Multiply
    (Placeholder (Left (Value 1)))
    (Placeholder (Left (Value 1)))
 ))))
))))
-- Define a special "placeholder" type that hides the next
-- `expression` type from the actual data type
-- `f` is a higher-kinded type
data Expression f = Placeholder (f (Expression f))
-- Make the types all higher-kinded by one
data Add e = Add e e
data Multiply e = Multiply e e
-- `e` not used here
-- but needed to make the next type work
data Value e = Value Int
{-
The following is pseudo-code. I don't konw whether it compiles.
Use Either to compose these higher-kinded types:
             Either (Value e) (Either (Add e)
                                                 (Multiply e))
type AMV e =
                   (Value e) \/
                                   (Add e) \/ (Multiply e)
newtype AMV_Expression = AMV_Expression (Expression AMV)
```

#### **Revealing Coproduct**

Above, we wrote this:

```
Either (Value e) (Either (Add e) (Multiply e))
   (Value e) \/ (Add e) \/ (Multiply e)
```

However, this is just a more verbose form of Coproduct:

```
newtype Coproduct f g a = Coproduct (Either (f a) (g a))
```

Indeed, just as there was a library for nested Either s via purescript-either, there is also a library for nested Coproduct S: purescript-functors, which also includes convenience functions and types for dealing with nested versions of Coproduct as well as inject values into and project values out of it.

To help us understand how to read and write Coproduct, let's compare the Coproduct version to its equivalent Either version:

# **Writing the Evaluate Function**

Since we'll be doing graph reductions later that will get somewhat complicated, we will rename Placeholder to In to make it easier to read. In is the same name used in the paper. This should make reading this "commentary" alongside of the paper easier.

#### The Types' Functor Instances

Due to how Value, Add, and Multiply are now defined, they are also Functor S. Add and Multiply implement map as one would expect:

```
map :: (e -> z) -> Add e -> Add z
map f (Add e1 e2) = Add (f e1) (f e2)

map :: (e -> z) -> Multiply e -> Multiply z
map f (Multiply e1 e2) = Multiply (f e1) (f e2)
```

However, Value implements it differently in an important way. Since Value 's generic type, e, is never used in its value and since the Value constructor can only wrap an Int type, one cannot really "map" a Value (i.e. change the inner Int type) to anything else. Rather, they can only change Value 's e type:

Thus, Value is a no-op Functor: using map on it just returns the same value.

An Either that wraps higher-kinded types implements Functor as we would expect:

```
instance (Functor f, Functor g) => Functor (Either (f e) (g e)) where
  map func (Left f) = Left (map func f)
  map func (Right g) = Right (map func g)

instance (Functor f, Functor g) => Functor Coproduct f g e where
  map func (Coproduct either) = Coproduct (map func either)
```

#### A Simple Evaluation

We will soon see why it matters that these types are Functor s.

Let's write a function that can evaluate the simplest version of our nested data structure. We'll exclude Add and Multiply and only focus on Value. To simulate the Left value in Either (Value e) (SomethingElse e), We'll use BoxF:

```
data BoxF f a = BoxF (f a)
instance Functor f => Functor (Box f) where
  map function (BoxF f_of_a) = Box (map function f_of_a)
-- the `e` type in `Value e` can be anything.
valueExample :: forall e. Expression (BoxF (Value e))
valueExample = In (BoxF (Value 2))
```

What do we need to do to take valueExample and evaluate it to 2? We need a way to remove the intermediary values: In, BoxF, and Value. There are two ways this could be done:

- 1. We implement 3 different functions that all unwrap the wrapper type.
- 2. We implement a type class that specifies an 'unwrap' function that each implements.

We'll take the second approach because it adheres to the idea of adding more types later on:

```
class (Functor f) <= Evaluate f where
    evaluate :: forall a. f a -> Int

instance Evaluate Value where
    evaluate (Value x) = x

instance Evaluate f => Evaluate (BoxF f) where
    evaluate (Boxf f) = evaluate f

instance Evaluate f => Evaluate (Expression f) where
    evaluate (In f) = evaluate f
```

### Including Add again

This solution works until we make our code more complicated by composing Add with Value via Either again.

Returning to the Eval type class, how would we implement an instance for Add?

```
class (Functor f) <= Evaluate f where
  evaluate :: forall a. f a -> Int

instance Evaluate Add where
  evaluate (Add x y) = -- ???
```

The difficulty above lies in one problem: what is x and y for Add? We might immediately presume that they are another <code>Expression</code>. However, the e in Add e could be anything. Moreover, the <code>Eval</code> type class does not force that e to be anything in particular. Here's the dilemma we run into now:

If we use a type class constraint to make a be an Evaluate, so that we could implement Add 's Evaluate instance as (eval x) + (eval y), then that will force Value 's e type to also satisfy that constraint. How then would we implement an

instance for Value?

• If we don't constrain the a to be an Evaluate, we cannot evaluate addExample.

So, let's look at what we need to do to evaluate Add. We need to

- remove the In values at every other point: In (f (In (f (In (Value)))))
- remove the intermediary Left / Right values
- convert Value x to x
- convert Add x y to x + y

Starting with an easier problem, we could guarantee that all In values are removed by calling an unwrapping function, removeIn, followed by a map call:

```
removeIn :: Expression f -> f
removeIn (In f) = map removeIn f
```

To see why this works, we'll run this function on addExample:

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```
-- Start!
removeIn (
  In (Right (Add
    (In (Left (Value 2)))
    (In (Left (Value 4)))
  ))
-- call `removeIn` by replacing LHS with RHS
map removeIn (Right (Add
  (In (Left (Value 2)))
  (In (Left (Value 4)))
))
-- call map on Right, which delegates function to Add
Right $ map removeIn (Add
  (In (Left (Value 2)))
  (In (Left (Value 4)))
-- call map on Add, which delegates function to both subexpressions
Right $ Add
  (removeIn (In (Left (Value 2))))
  (removeIn (In (Left (Value 4))))
-- call removeIn on both values
Right $ Add
  (map removeIn (Left (Value 2)))
  (map removeIn (Left (Value 4)))
-- call map on both Left values
Right $ Add
  (Left $ map removeIn (Value 2))
  (Left $ map removeIn (Value 4))
-- call map on both 'Value' values, which does nothing...
Right $ Add
  (Left $ (Value 2))
  (Left $ (Value 4))
-- remove all of the "$"
Right (Add
  (Left (Value 2))
  (Left (Value 4))
)
```

This approach effectively removes all In values. However, we are still left with the same problem above: converting an Add expression into an Int value by defining an Evaluate instance.

However, the reduction of our graph shows something important. What is the type signature for the result of our reduction? We can see it below:

```
result :: Coproduct Value Add e
result =
  Right (Add
    (Left (Value 2))
    (Left (Value 4))
)
```

Looking at the Evaluate type class definition again, we can see that we don't force a (which corresponds to our e type in result) to be anything. However, what if we changed it to Int? If we do, it solves our dilemma above:

```
class (Functor f) <= Evaluate f where
    evaluate :: f Int -> Int

instance Evaluate Value where
    evaluate (Value x) = x

instance Evaluate Add where
    evaluate :: Add Int -> Int
    evaluate (Add x y) = x + y

instance (Evaluate f, Evaluate g) => Evaluate (Either f g) where
    evaluate (Left f) = evaluate f
    evaluate (Right g) = evaluate g
```

If we call evaluate on the result of our graph reduction above, what do we get?

```
-- Start!
evaluate (Right (Add
   (Left (Value 2))
   (Left (Value 4))
))
-- replace LHS with RHS
evaluate (Add
   (Left (Value 2))
   (Left (Value 4))
)
-- Compiler error! Expected `Add Int` but got `Add (Either (Value e) (Add e))
```

The problem with this approach is that the nested Value int values were not evaluated before we evaluated the Add. If we could somehow change how our code works, we need something more like this:

```
-- Start!
evaluate (Right (Add
  (evaluate (Left (Value 2)))
  (evaluate (Left (Value 4)))
))
-- Evaluate both Left values
evaluate (Right (Add
  (evaluate (Value 2))
  (evaluate (Value 4))
))
-- Evaluate both Value values
evaluate (Right (Add
  (2)
  (4)
))
-- Since Add is now of type `Add Int`,
-- evaluate the Right value
evaluate (Add
  (2)
  (4)
)
-- Now evaluate the `Add Int` value
-- Reduce
```

So, how do we use the <code>removeIn</code> approach to remove the <code>In</code> values and also evaluate <code>Value int</code> before evaluating <code>Add</code>, so that the types are correct by the time it happens? We make just a slight change to <code>removeIn</code>. It will now take an "unwrapping" function that gets applied to the result of our mapping. To make it adhere to the paper, we'll rename it to "fold" and explain that name later:

```
fold :: Functor f => (f a -> a) -> Expression f -> a
fold function (In f) = function (map (fold function) f)
```

How should this function be understood? Rather than explain it using words, we'll demonstrate it using a graph reduction. Then, we'll explain the name:

```
-- Start
fold evaluate addExample
-- replace addExample with its definition
fold evaluate (In (Right (Add
  (In (Left (Val 2)))
  (In (Left (Val 3)))
)))
-- replace fold's LHS with RHS
evaluate (map (fold evaluate) (Right (Add
  (In (Left (Val 2)))
  (In (Left (Val 3)))
)))
-- apply map to Right value by delegating it to Add value
evaluate (Right $ map (fold evaluate) (Add
  (In (Left (Val 2)))
  (In (Left (Val 3)))
))
-- apply map to Add value by delegating it to both expressions
evaluate (Right $ Add
  (fold evaluate (In (Left (Val 2))))
  (fold evaluate (In (Left (Val 3))))
-- apply fold to `In` value
evaluate (Right $ Add
  (evaluate (map (fold evaluate) (Left (Val 2))))
  (evaluate (map (fold evaluate) (Left (Val 3))))
)
-- apply map to Left value, which delegates to `Value` value
evaluate (Right $ Add
  (evaluate (Left $ map (fold evaluate) (Val 2)))
  (evaluate (Left $ map (fold evaluate) (Val 3)))
-- apply map to `Value` value (no-op!)
evaluate (Right $ Add
  (evaluate (Left $ (Val 2)))
  (evaluate (Left $ (Val 3)))
)
-- remove the "$"
evaluate (Right $ Add
  (evaluate (Left (Val 2)))
  (evaluate (Left (Val 3)))
-- evaluate the Left value
evaluate (Right $ Add
  (evaluate (Val 2))
  (evaluate (Val 3))
-- evaluate the Value value
evaluate (Right $ Add
  (2)
  (3)
)
```

```
-- put everything on one line again evaluate (Right $ Add (2) (3))
-- remove the $ and extra parenthesis evaluate (Right (Add 2 3))
-- evaluate the Right value evaluate (Add 2 3)
-- evaluate the Add value
2 + 3
-- add them up
5
```

#### **Explaining Terms**

There's a term we did not explain but which appears in the paper: algebra. An Algebra is merely a special name for a function with a specific type signature:  $(f \ a \ -> \ a)$ . It's our evaluate function.

#### All Code So Far and Evaluate

I have not checked whether this code works, but it will serve to give you an idea for how it works.

```
-- File 1
data Value e = Value Int
data Add e = Add e e
derive instance Functor Value
derive instance Functor Add
data Expression f = In (f (Expression f))
-- where `f` is a composed data type via Coproduct
value :: forall f. Int -> Expression f
value i = inj (Value i)
add :: forall f. Expression f -> Expression f -> Expression f
add x y = inj (Add x y)
class (Functor f) <= Evaluate f where</pre>
  evaluate :: f Int -> Int
instance Evaluate Value where
  evaluate (Value x) = x
instance Evaluate Add where
  evaluate (Add x y) = x + y
fold :: Functor f => (f a -> a) -> Expression f -> a
fold f(In t) = f(map (fold f) t)
type VA e = Coproduct Value Add e
newtype VA_Expression = VA_Expression (Expression VA)
eval :: forall f. Expression f -> Int
eval expression = fold evaluate expression
-- call `eval` on this
file1Example :: VA_Expression
file1Example = add (value 5) (value 6)
-- File 2
data Multiply e = Multiply e e
derive instance Functor Multiply
multiply :: forall f. Expression f -> Expression f -> Expression f
multiply x y = inj $ Multiply x y
instance Evaluate Multiply where
  evaluate (Multiply x y) = x * y
type VAM e = Coproduct3 Value Add Multiply e
newtype VAM_Expression = VAM_Expression (Expression VAM)
-- call `eval` on this
```

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```
file2Example :: VAM_Expression
file2Example = add (value 5) (multiply (add (value 2) (value 8)) (value 4))
```

# **Writing the Show Function**

\*\*Thils file is optional reading!\*\*

There are two reasons why:

- I was not able (i.e. smart enough to initially figure this out on my own) to convert this code into a compilable example
- I found that I was able to understand the concept that this folder teaches without ultimately figuring out the below code. For example, the paper only lists the show function as another example about how it is easy to add more functions.
- The cost-beneifits weren't worth it. Why spend time on trying to figure out this problem when I could spend time improving some other part of this repo, especially since this detail does not contribute greatly to one's understanding of this concept.

We still have one more function to define: show2 (which is just show but which prevents the name conflict from Prelude). In our original file, show2 was defined like this:

```
show2 :: Expression -> String
show2 (Value i) = show i
show2 (Add x y) = "(" <> show2 x <> " + " <> show2 y <> ")"
```

Since we changed the function, evaluate, into a type class, we should follow suit here. Still, we should diverge from Evaluate in a one way:

• The types for x and y in Add x y should not be an Int. Rather, it should keep the spirit of the original show2 function and be other expression types on which we can recursively call show2 to get a full expression.

Expression in our original show2 function meant both Value and Add. To do the same thing in our new code, where these types are composed via Either, we would need to change the signature to f (Expression f):

```
class (Functor f) <= Show2 f where
    show2 :: AllExpressionTypes -> String
    show2 :: f (Expression f) -> String
```

With that being our expression type, what would values for Value, Add, and Multiply look like that fit that signature?

```
-- Value
(Value 5)
-- Value does not use the `In` value here
-- so its implementation is trivial
instance Show2 Value where
  show2 (Value x) = show x
-- Add
Add
  (In (Left (Value 5)))
  (In (Right (Multiply
    (In (Left (Value 9)))
    (In (Left (Value 9)))
  ))))
-- Multiply
Multiply
  (In (Left (Value 5)))
  (In (Right (Left (Add
    (In (Left (Value 4)))
    (In (Left (Value 2)))
  ))))
```

Add and Multiply both have an In value and an Either value separating the next expression. We can remove the In value using a function. However, removing the Either value would be best left to an instance of our own type class that just delegates it to the underlying expression.

```
removeInAndShow :: Show2 f => Expression f -> String
removeInAndShow (In t) = show2 t

instance (Show2 f, Show2 g) => Show2 (Either f g) where
    show2 (Left f) = show2 f
    show2 (Right g) = show2 g

-- Now we can define the values for Add and Multiply
instance Show2 Add where
    show2 (Add x y) =
        "(" <> removeInAndShow x <> " + " <> removeInAndShow y <> ")"

instance Show2 Multiply where
    show2 (Multiply x y) =
        "(" <> removeInAndShow x <> " * " <> removeInAndShow y <> ")"
```

#### All Code So Far and Show2

Again, I have not checked whether this code works, but it will serve to give you an idea for how it works.

```
-- File 1
data Value e = Value Int
data Add e = Add e e
derive instance Functor Value
derive instance Functor Add
data Expression f = In (f (Expression f))
-- where `f` is a composed data type via Coproduct
value :: forall f. Int -> Expression f
value i = inj (Value i)
add :: forall f. Expression f -> Expression f -> Expression f
add x y = inj (Add x y)
class (Functor f) <= Evaluate f where</pre>
  evaluate :: f Int -> Int
instance Evaluate Value where
  evaluate (Value x) = x
instance Evaluate Add where
  evaluate (Add x y) = x + y
fold :: Functor f => (f a -> a) -> Expression f -> a
fold f(In t) = f(map (fold f) t)
type VA e = Coproduct Value Add e
newtype VA_Expression = VA_Expression (Expression VA)
eval :: forall f. Expression f -> Int
eval expression = fold evaluate expression
class (Functor f) <= Show2 f where</pre>
  show2 :: forall a. f a -> String
instance Show2 Value where
  show2 (Value x) = show x
removeInAndShow :: Show2 f => Expression f -> String
removeInAndShow (In t) = show2 t
instance (Show2 f, Show2 g) => Show2 (Either f g) where
  show2 (Left f) = show2 f
  show2 (Right g) = show2 g
instance Show2 Add where
  show2 (Add x y) =
    "(" <> removeInAndShow x <> " + " <> removeInAndShow y <> ")"
-- call 'eval' and 'show2' on this
```

```
file1Example :: VA_Expression
file1Example = add (value 5) (value 6)
-- File 2
data Multiply e = Multiply e e
derive instance Functor Multiply
multiply :: forall f. Expression f -> Expression f -> Expression f
multiply x y = inj $ Multiply x y
instance Evaluate Multiply where
  evaluate (Multiply x y) = x * y
instance Show2 Multiply where
  show2 (Multiply x y) =
    "(" <> removeInAndShow x <> " \star " <> removeInAndShow y <> ")"
type VAM e = Coproduct3 Value Add Multiply e
newtype VAM_Expression = VAM_Expression (Expression VAM)
-- call `eval` and `show2` on this
file2Example :: VAM_Expression
file2Example = add (value 5) (multiply (add (value 2) (value 8)) (value 4))
```

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## From Expression to Free

We've been defining the function, fold, the same way for a while. However, there's another way to write the function. To help you understand the upcoming code, we'll rewrite it in this new way:

```
fold :: forall f a. Functor f => (f a -> a) -> Expression f -> a
                                                                             {-
fold f(In t) = f(map (fold f) t)
... which can be rewritten using infix notation
                                                                             -}
fold f (In t) = f ((fold f) <$> t)
                                                                             {-
... which can be rewritten to not pass `f` through recursive calls
                                                                             -}
fold f = go where
 go(In t) = f(go < > t)
                                                                             {-
... which can be rewritten to use "case _ of" to pattern match
                                                                             -}
fold f = go where
 go in_t = case in_t of
   In t -> f (go <$> t)
```

With that out of the way, let's compare Expression to Free. We can see that Expression is really just a variant of the Free monad without the Pure constructor.

How would we rewrite our solution from before to use Free instead of Expression? Value is replaced with Pure.

To see an example of this for just Value and Add (Multiply is excluded) and to understand its code, refer to the below code and table before viewing ADT8.purs.

xgrommx's code	Our code	
Free ExprF a Or Expr	Expression (Coproduct Value ExprF) a	
lit	value	
iter	fold	
iter k go	fold algebra expression	
Left f Right a	AddF ValueF	

#### A Quick Overview of Some of Purescript's Free API

Purescript's Free monad is implemented in the "reflection without remorse" style, which adds complexity to the implementation. Thus, rather than redirecting you there, we'll explain the general idea of what the code is doing.

#### LiftF

The Free monad has its own way of injecting a value into it called liftF. It can be understood like this:

```
-- Before
someValue :: forall a. a -> Expression SomeFunctor
someValue a =
    In (SomeFunctor a) -- or `inj (SomFunctor a)`
-- After...
liftF :: a -> Free SomeFunctor a
liftF = Impure (SomeFunctor a)
```

#### Wrap

LiftF is useful, but it won't let us compile the examples we will show next because it expects the a to be any a. In cases like AddF/MultiplyF, sometimes that a has to be Free AddF/Free MultiplyF instead of just the Int type. In such cases, we can use wrap:

```
-- Using `liftF`
add :: Int -> Int -> Free AddF Int
add x y = liftF $ AddF x y
-- the above 'add' definition does not allow us to create
-- nested adds
-- Using `wrap`
add :: Free AddF Int -> Free AddF Int
add x y = wrap $ AddF x y
```

#### **Other Functions**

foldFree interprets the Free into some other monad (e.g. Effect, etc.).

runFree computes a "pure" program described in Free (by 'pure,' we meant that Free only stores the instructions the program would execute, but does not run them).

### **Compilation Instructions**

You can run the upcoming code examples using these instructions:

```
spago run -m Free.AddAndMultiply
```

## 01-Value.purs

```
module Free.Value (value, iter) where
import Prelude
import Control.Monad.Free (Free, resume)
import Data.Either (Either(..))

-- First, we define the value smart constructor
value :: forall f a. Functor f => a -> Free f a
value a = pure a

-- Second, we'll define the `iter` function we saw earlier here.
-- This will allow us to easily reuse it in the upcoming files
iter :: forall f a. Functor f => (f a -> a) -> Free f a -> a
iter k = go where
go m = case resume m of
Left f -> k (go <$> f)
Right a -> a
```

## 02-Add.purs

```
module Free.Add (AddF(..), add, addAlgebra, showAddExample) where
import Prelude hiding (add)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Control.Monad.Free (Free, wrap)
import Free.Value (iter, value)
_____
-- Code in this section will be reused in upcoming file
data AddF e = AddF e e
derive instance Functor AddF
addAlgebra :: AddF Int -> Int
addAlgebra (AddF a b) = a + b
-- Code in this section will NOT be reused
type AddOnly = Free AddF
add :: forall a. AddOnly a -> AddOnly a -> AddOnly a
add a b = wrap (AddF a b)
evalAdd :: AddOnly Int -> Int
evalAdd = iter addAlgebra
addOnlyExample :: AddOnly Int
addOnlyExample =
 add
    (value 4)
    (add
     (value 8)
      (value 5)
   )
showAddExample :: Effect Unit
showAddExample = do
 log "Add example:"
 log $ show $ evalAdd addOnlyExample
```

## 03-Multiply.purs

```
module Free.Multiply (MultiplyF(...), multiply, multiplyAlgebra,
showMultiplyExample) where
import Prelude hiding (add)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Control.Monad.Free (Free, wrap)
import Free.Value (iter, value)
-- Code in this section will be reused in upcoming file
data MultiplyF e = MultiplyF e e
derive instance Functor MultiplyF
multiplyAlgebra :: MultiplyF Int -> Int
multiplyAlgebra (MultiplyF a b) = a * b
-- Code in this section will NOT be reused
type MultiplyOnly = Free MultiplyF
multiply :: forall a. MultiplyOnly a -> MultiplyOnly a -> MultiplyOnly a
multiply a b = wrap (MultiplyF a b)
evalMultiply :: MultiplyOnly Int -> Int
evalMultiply = iter multiplyAlgebra
multiplyOnlyExample :: MultiplyOnly Int
multiplyOnlyExample =
  multiply
    (value 4)
    (multiply
      (value 8)
      (value 5)
showMultiplyExample :: Effect Unit
showMultiplyExample = do
  log "Multiply example:"
  log $ show $ evalMultiply multiplyOnlyExample
```

# 04-AddAndMultiply.purs

```
module Free.AddAndMultiply where
import Prelude hiding (add)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Control.Monad.Free (Free, wrap)
import Data.Functor.Coproduct (Coproduct, coproduct)
import Data.Functor.Coproduct.Inject (class Inject, inj)
import Free.Value (iter, value)
import Free.Add (AddF(..), addAlgebra, showAddExample)
import Free.Multiply (MultiplyF(..), multiplyAlgebra, showMultiplyExample)
-- `Coproduct AddF MultiplyF` is same as `Either (AddF a) (MultiplyF a)`
addAndMultiplyAlgebra :: Coproduct AddF MultiplyF Int -> Int
addAndMultiplyAlgebra =
  -- coproduct handles the Coproduct and Either stuff for us
  coproduct
    -- when the instance is AddF, use this function
    addAlgebra
    -- when the instance is MultiplyF, use this function
    multiplyAlgebra
type AddAndMultiply = Free (Coproduct AddF MultiplyF)
-- Since we're putting AddF into a Coproduct now before we put that
-- into a Free, we need to pass it into 'inj' before it gets passed into `wrap`
add' :: forall a. AddAndMultiply a -> AddAndMultiply a -> AddAndMultiply a
add' a b = wrap $ inj (AddF a b)
-- This function exists for the same reasons as above. However,
-- it also shows that we do not need to hard-code the "AddAndMultiply" type
-- to get this to work.
multiply' :: forall f a.
             Functor f =>
             Inject MultiplyF f =>
             Free f a -> Free f a -> Free f a
multiply' a b = wrap $ inj (MultiplyF a b)
evalAddAndMultiply :: AddAndMultiply Int -> Int
evalAddAndMultiply = iter addAndMultiplyAlgebra
{- Note:
Non-Coproduct version: add
                             multiply
Coproduction version: add' multiply'
                                                                              -}
exampleAddAndMultiply :: AddAndMultiply Int
exampleAddAndMultiply =
  add'
    (multiply'
      (value 4)
      (add'
        (value 8)
```

## **Defining Modular Monads**

This file has two sections. The first only makes more sense after reading the second. So, be sure to read this file twice.

We can now return to the original question we raised at the start of the Free folder: if we wanted to run a sequential computation (i.e. use a monad) that used multiple effects, could we stop fighting against the "bind returns the same monad type it receives" restriction and simply use just one monad? Yes. Similar to our previous examples, we can use Coproduct s of two or more Free monads.

### **Getting Around The Non-Free-Monad Limitation**

Unfortunately, this Coproduct + Free approach only works on Free monads; it does not work for other non- Free monads. As the paper says, the ListT and StateT monads are not free monads. Why? Let's consider the StateT monad. The issue at hand are its laws. If I call set 4 and then later call get, get should return 4. By using Free as we have so far, we cannot uphold that law.

So, how do we get around that limitation? We can define a type that has an instance for Functor and whose values represent terms in a language (similar to our Add, Multiply, Value language) that provides the operations we would expect from such a monad. The paper's example shows how one could create a State monad using this approach. Since it will follow much of what we have already covered before, we'll just show the Purescript version of their code.

```
theRestOfTheComputation = Add Int theRestOfTheComputation
data Add
data GetValue theRestOfTheComputation = GetValue (Int ->
theRestOfTheComputation)
-- Why the `a` type is `Pure` will become clear
-- in the next section where we define the
-- `Exec` type class instances
add :: forall f. Int -> Free f Unit
add i = liftF $ Add i (Pure unit)
getValue :: forall f. Free f Int
getValue = liftF $ GetValue Pure
-- The `Free` monad's equivalent of `State StateType OutputType`
-- simulates "function(x) => {
     var y = get(x);
      set(x, x + 1);
      return y;
-- }"
stateComputation :: Free (Coproduct Add1 GetValue) Int
stateComputation = do
 y <- getValue
  add 1
  pure y
-- Computes the pure description of machine instructions
-- that are stored via `Free f a` down into `b`
-- using the provided functions
foldFree :: Functor f => (a -> b) -> (f b -> b) -> Free f a -> b
foldFree pure _ (Pure x) = pure x
foldFree pure impure (Impure t) = impure (fmap (foldFree pure impure) t)
newtype Memory = Memory Int
class Functor f => Free f where
  runAlgebra :: f (Memory -> Tuple a Memory) -> (Memory -> Tuple a Memory)
instance Free Add where
  runAlgebra (Add amount restOfComputation) (Memory i) =
    restOfComputation (Memory (i + amount))
instance Free GetValue where
  runAlgebra (GetValue intToRestOfComputation) (Memory i) =
    (intToRestOfComputation i) (Memory i)
instance (Functor f, Functor g) => Free (Either f g) where
  runAlgebra (Left r) = runAlgebra r
  runAlgebra (Right r) = runAlgebra r
instance (Functor f, Functor g) => Free (Coproduct f g) where
  runAlgebra (Coproduct either) = runAlgebra either
run :: Functor f => Free f a -> Memory -> Tuple a Memory
```

#### **Modular Effects via Languages**

When we learned about the ReaderT design pattern, we saw that it simply "links" the capabilities we need to run a pure computation with its impure implementations (the type class' instances). As we will show later, this makes it much easier to test our "business logic."

Similarly, the Free monad is the thing which "links" some capability needed in a pure computation with its impure implementation. Whereas ReaderT used "capability type classes," Free using "languages" like the state manipulation language, Add / GetValue, demonstrated in the previous section. Thus, we can easily add new "effects" to our Free monad by adding more "languages."

Whereas the ReaderT design pattern would use type class instances to implement these capabilities, a Free monad will use an interpreter. An interpreter can be a few different hings:

- the actual machine code layer that runs the computation in Effect / Aff
- a pure computation (used for testing) that runs in Identity
- something that pretty prints the instructions the computer would execute

#### **Defining and Interpreting Languages for the Free Monad**

When we look at how to define a language data type for the Free monad, it follows this pattern (written in meta-language):

```
data Language theRestOfTheComputation
    -- Statement that tells interpreter to do something but
    -- doesn't pass down any arguments into the interpreter
    -- or receive any values from the interpreter
    = Function_No_Arg theRestOfTheComputation
    -- Arg is known by Function and passed down to the interpreter
    | Function_1_Arg Arg_Passed_to_Interpreter theRestOfTheComputation
    | Function_2_Args Arg1 Arg2 theRestOfTheComputation
    -- `Value` is provided by the interpreter
    -- when it finishes interpreting the language
    | Get_1_Value (Value_Provided_By_Interpreter -> theRestOfTheComputation)
    | Get_2_Values (Value1 -> Value2 -> theRestOfTheComputation)
    -- Use both
    | Function_With_Getter Arg_Passed_to_Interpreter
(Value_Provided_By_Interpreter -> theRestOfTheComputation)
```

So far, we've only defined a data type with one value and composed those data types together. However, what if we treated a data type as a "family" of operations where each value in that data type was an operation? Then our data types might look like this:

Using these data structure, we can "interpret" these non-runnable pure programs into an equivalent runnable impure program (e.g. Effect ). Assuming these functions exist...

```
consoleRead :: Effect String
consoleWrite :: String -> Effect Unit
readFromFile :: FilePath -> Effect String
writeToFile :: FilePath -> String -> Effect Unit
```

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 $\dots$  we could take our pure "description" of computations (e.g. Free ConsoleIO a) and "interpret" it into an impure Effect monad:

```
class Functor f => Exec f where
                                                                      {-
  execAlgebra :: f (Effect a) -> Effect a
                                                                      -}
  execAlgebra :: f Effect ~> Effect
instance Exec ConsoleIO where
  execAlgebra (ReadFromConsole reply) = do
    -- use the `bind` output from `consoleRead` and pass it into `reply`
    -- which will lift the result back into a `Free (Coproduct ...) a`
    -- which will be lifted into the Monadic type via `pure`.
    -- At a later time in the `fold` process,
    -- the `Free (Coproduct ...) a` will be evaluated again
    -- using `fold execAlgebra expression`,
    -- which will start this loop all over again
    -- until the final output is reached
    result <- consoleRead
    pure (reply result)
  execAlgebra (WriteToConsole msg remainingComputation) = do
    consoleWrite msg
    pure remainingComputation
  execAlgebra (WriteThenRead msg reply) = do
    consoleWrite msg
    input <- consoleRead</pre>
    pure (reply input)
{- our "run" function but using the `execAlgebra`
exec :: Exec f => Free f a -> Effect a
                                                                 -}
exec :: Exec f => Free f ~> Effect
exec = foldFree pure execAlgebra
-- assuming we have smart constructors for each of our data types
writeToConsole :: forall f. String -> Free f Unit
writeToConsole msg = liftF $ WriteToConsole msg
-- we exclude FileSystem from this computation
consoleComputation :: Free ConsoleIO a
consoleComputation = do
  writeToConsole "What is your name?"
  name <- readFromConsole</pre>
  writeToConsole $ "You wrote" <> name
  writeToConsole "Now exiting."
{-
If this could be run in the REPL, it might look like this:
> exec consoleComputation
What is your name?
[User inputs 'mike']
You wrote mike
Now exiting.
-}
```

### **Example**

Thus, say we had a program that needed a number of capabilities:

- read/write to the console
- random number generation
- gets current date/time

That program might look something like this:

```
type Message = String
type Prompt = String
type UserInput = String
-- first language family
data ConsoleIO a
  = WriteToConsole Message a
  | ReadFromConsole Prompt (UserInput -> a)
-- second language family
data RandomNumber a
  = GenerateRandomNumber (Int -> a)
-- Third language family
data DateTime a
  = GetCurrentDateTime (DateTime -> a)
-- We could compose these languages/capabilities together via Coproduct
type Language = Coproduct3 ConsoleIO RandomNumber DateTime
type Program = Free Language
-- We can then define a pure computation using our Free monad
        -- Free (Coproduct3 ConsoleIO RandomNumber DateTime) output
program :: Program output
program = do
  -- imagine we defined smart constructors for each language and term above
  dateTime <- getCurrentDateTime</pre>
 writeToConsole $ show dateTime <> ": Input your name:"
  name <- readFromConsole "My name: "</pre>
  random <- generateRandomNumber</pre>
  let encryptedName = encryptNameWith name random
  dateTime' <- getCurrentDateTime</pre>
  writeToConsole $ show dateTime' <> ": Your encrypted name is: " <>
encryptedName
  pure encryptedName
-- which does not become "impure" until it's actually interpreted
runProgram :: Effect Unit
runProgram = foldFree go program
  -- pseudo-code below!
  go :: Language ~> Effect
  go =
    coproduct3
      (\WriteToConsole msg next) -> do
        Console.log msg
        pure next
      (\ReadFromConsole prompt reply) -> do
        response <- Console.read prompt
        pure (reply response)
      -- etc.
```

## **Layered Compilers**

Previously, we saw that we could "interpret" the Free monad into another monad, namely, Effect, to simulate state manipulation effects. This idea is similar to a compiler: a high-level language (i.e. Free 's languages) get "compiled"/"interpreted" into a lower-level language (i.e. Effect / Aff ). However, what if we recursively interpreted the Free monad into another Free monad for a few rounds until the last one gets interpreted into the Effect monad?

```
type Free1 = Free f a
type Free2 = Free g a
type Free3 = Free h a

-- assuming there is a natural transformation from one to another...
Free1 ~> Free2
Free2 ~> Free3
Free3 ~> Effect
-- means we can effectively write this
Free1 ~> Effect
```

This allows us to write one high-level language that gets "interpreted" into a lower-level language, which itself gets interpreted into an even lower-level language. Each ~> is going from a high-level abstract language to a lower-level more-platform-specific language. In other words, a chain of compiler, where the output of the previous is the input of the next. Updating our code above to use meta-language, we would have something like this:

```
-- Let your domain experts write their domain-specific "programs"
-- using a familiar domain-specific language...
type HighestLevelLanguage = CoproductN Language1 Language2 Language3 -- ...
type HighestLevelProgram = Free HighestLevelLanguage
type HighLevelLanguage = CoproductN LanguageA LanguageB LanguageC -- ...
type HighLevelProgram = Free HighLevelLanguage
type FirstCompiler = HighestLevelProgram ~> HighLevelProgram
-- and let your technical experts "translate" them into working programs
-- via NaturalTransformations
type LowLevelLanguage = CoproductN LanguageX LanguageY LanguageZ -- ...
type LowLevelProgram = Free LowLevelLanguage
type SecondCompiler = HighLevelProgram ~> LowLevelProgram
type ThirdCompiler = LowLevelProgram ~> Effect -- or Aff
-- given this...
HighestLevelProgram ~> HighLevelProgram
HighLevelProgram ~> LowLevelProgram
LowLevelProgram ~> Effect -- or Aff
-- we compose them to get this
type RealCompiler = HighestLevelProgram ~> Effect -- or Aff
-- which enables this...
runProgram :: RealCompiler -> HighestLevelProgram e -> Effect e
-- ... a program written by a domain-expert in a domain-specific
-- language who is ignorant of all the technical and platform-specific
-- details that make it work...
-- \dots that has been optimized and works for numerous backends by
-- your technical experts.
-- Similar to the ReaderT design pattern, we can always change
-- the infrastructure code to use a new framework, UI, database, etc.
-- without rewriting any of the domain-specific code.
```

### **Free Applicative**

Since each ~> acts like a compiler that compiles the higher-level language (input) into a lower-level language (output), one can also "optimize" a compiler's output in some cases via FreeAp, the Free Applicative type. Unfortunately, this is not covered here (*yet*), but one should be aware of it. John De Goes overviews this idea below.

#### **Related Posts**

To see some examples and the implications of this idea, read the following links and translate the IO monad to Effect and the mention of Purescript's now-outdated Eff monad to Effect. Also note that MTL works faster than Free on Haskell, but I don't know their performance comparison on Purescript:

- A Modern Architecture for FP: Part 1
- MTL-version of Onion Architecture
  - Original Haskell version
  - My port to Purescript
- MTL vs Free Deathmatch Video & Slides
- A Modern Architecture for FP: Part 2
- Free? monads with mtl Linking to this because it relates, but I'm still understanding it myself.

#### From Free to Run

Prerequisite: You must be familiar with type-level programming syntax and understand how type-level programming works. If you are not, read through the corresponding folder on type-level syntax, and skim through the first few files of the next major folder, Type Level Programming.

So far, we've used the Free monad to model effects using Coproduct . However, this approach is not very extensible because Coproduct is the "closed" Type -> Type sum type.

#### This folder will

- explain what problem arises by using Either / Coproduct, the "closed" sum types
- show how to make these effects more extensible by using Variant / VariantF, the "open" sum types
- show how to combine VariantF and Free into a more-readable type via Run.

As stated in Free Programs, More Better Programs, PureScript's Run is the same idea behind Haskell's Eff monad. Moreover, The pre-0.12.0 PureScript release's Eff monad that was later changed to Effect is not the same as Haskell's Eff monad, which is covered in that article.

### From Either to Variant

#### **Adding More Conditions**

Let's forget Coproduct for a moment and return back to the Either level. When we are writing code, we often need to refactor things. If we are using nested Either types everywhere, there are three ways we could change our code:

- 1. Change the order of the types position: Either first second <=> Either second first
- 2. Add/Remove another type: Either first (Either second third) <=> Either first
  second
- 3. Change one type to another: Either Int Int <=> Either Int String

If we made one of the changes above, we would need to change our function's type signatures slightly just to get the code to compile again. If we must do this after writing 20 functions, that's a lot of wasted development time!

Moreover, purescript-either only grants us the ability to define 10 total types in a nested manner. Once we go above that number, we need to write our own convenience functions. If we do this in multiple projects, that's more wasted developer time.

So, what are our options here? We saw previously that we could not define our own special nested <code>Either</code> type without knowing at the type-declaration-time what the next few types are. However, we do know at compile-time what those types will be. We also know at compile-time how many types will exist in a nested <code>Either</code>-like type. This implies that we might want to stop looking at value-level programming for our solutions and instead look at type-level programming. More specifically, we should look at row kinds.

We can use row kinds specified to type (i.e. # Type) to specify n-different types that are known at compile-time. As an example, we can look at Record, which is a nested Tuple that uses row kinds to work:

Is it possible to take this same idea and apply it to Either? Yes, which is what purescript-

variant does:

```
-- first OR second OR third OR fourth OR last
Either first (Either second (Either third (Either fourth last)))
Variant (a :: first, b :: second, c :: third, d :: fourth, e :: last)
-- Unfortunately, there is no equivalent "{}"-like syntax for variants
```

The advantage of using the row kinds via # Type is that it makes our nested Either type "open" via row polymorphism. Using Record as an example, we'll see that each of the three "prototype code" requirements from above can be achieved without refactoring!

Looking at our requirements from before...

- 1. Change the order of the types position: Either first second <=> Either second first
- 2. Add/Remove another type: Either first (Either second third) <=> Either first
  second
- 3. Change one type to another: Either String Boolean <=> Either Int Boolean

... we can see that Record meets our requirements because of row polymorphism:

```
-- the function
getName :: forall allOtherFields. { name :: String | allOtherFields } -> String
getName :: { name: theName } = theName

-- normal version
getName { name: "John", dogName: "Spot" }
-- 1) changed type's order
getName { dogName: "Spot", name: "John" }
-- 2a) added a type
getName { name: "John", dogName: "Spot", age: 20 }
-- 2b) removed a type
getName { name: "John" }
-- 3) changed "dogName" from type `String` to `DogNames`
getName { name: "John", dogName: Spot }
```

All five exampls from above compile. Since Variant uses row kinds via # Type, too, it also benefits from these advantages.

#### **Using Variant**

Here's the link to the library: purescript-variant.

Record has support at the syntax-level in Purescript. So, instead of writing Record (key :: ValueType), we can write {key :: ValueType}. Unfortunately, Variant is not supported at the syntax-level. Thus, we must be explicit and use type-level programming. The following code shows how to write inject and project via Variant and Symbol s, type-level String S.

If you haven't already done so, read through the Syntax folder on Type-Level Programming Syntax

#### **Injection**

```
injectFruit :: forall v. Fruit -> Variant (fieldName :: Fruit | v)
injectFruit fruit = inj (Proxy :: Proxy "fieldName") fruit
```

#### **Projection**

```
projectFruit :: forall v. Variant (fieldName :: Fruit | v) -> Maybe Fruit
projectFruit variant = prj (Proxy :: Proxy "fieldName") variant
```

#### **Pattern Matching in Variant**

The other functions that Variant provides can be see via its docs. I created the following table after looking at the project's test's source code. Some functions seem to exist to fit different people's syntax preferences:

Exhaustively pattern matches types by	Allows "open"  Variant  values?	Corresponding function's syntax
Providing default value for missing cases	Yes	<pre>default defaultValue <combinator chain=""> variantArg</combinator></pre>
Matching all cases	No	<pre>match { eachField: (\a -&gt; {- body for each field -}) } variantArg</pre>
Matching all cases	No	<pre>case_ <combinator chain=""> variantArg</combinator></pre>

where a <combinator chain> is:

- single element chain: # combinator
- multi-element chain: # combinator1 # combinator2 ... # combinatorN

Combinator	Expected arguments		
on	(Proxy :: Proxy "fieldName") (\value -> {- body -})		
onMatch	{ fieldNameN :: (FieldType -> a) }		

Besides those above, Variant also has expand and contract. One takes a Variant that has more fields than just those specified in some function and "expands" it into its full number of nested types. The other takes a fully-expanded Variant and "contracts" it down to a smaller subset of its nested types.

### **Updating Our Solution**

If we return to our FruitGrouper solution from before and use Variant instead of FruitGrouper, here's what we get.

Here's the list of run commands:

- showFruitVariant (injFruit Apple)
  - At step 3 below, only
- showFruitVariant (injFruit2 Orange)
  - This function **still** works despite showFruitVariant never knowing anything about a Fruit2 type!
- showFruit2Variant (injFruit3 Cherry)
  - This function still works despite showFruit2Variant never knowing anything about a Fruit3 type!
- showFruit3Variant (injFruit2 Orange)
  - This function **still** works despite showFruit3Variant never knowing anything about a Fruit2 type!

For each of the above run commands, do the following to "simulate" one file existing before another one:

- 1. Start a REPL
- 2. Copy and paste each "file" below into the REPL.
- 3. Run the commands at the end of this snippet

```
-- File1's original code: once compiled, it cannot change
import Data.Maybe
import Data.Variant
import Data. Function
import Data.Symbol
data Fruit
 = Apple
  Banana
showFruit :: Fruit -> String
showFruit Apple = "apple"
showFruit Banana = "banana"
showFruitVariant :: forall v. Variant (fruit :: Fruit | v) -> Maybe String
showFruitVariant = default Nothing
  # onMatch
    { fruit: \appleBanana -> Just (showFruit appleBanana)
    }
injFruit :: forall v. Fruit -> Variant (fruit :: Fruit | v)
injFruit fruit = inj (Proxy :: Proxy "fruit") fruit
-- File 2. This should work without the previous file being recompiled
data Fruit2 = Orange
showFruit2 :: Fruit2 -> String
showFruit2 Orange = "orange"
showFruit2Variant :: forall v
                     . Variant (fruit2 :: Fruit2 | v)
                    -> Maybe String
showFruit2Variant = default Nothing
  # onMatch
    { fruit2: \orange -> Just (showFruit2 orange)
injFruit2 :: forall v. Fruit2 -> Variant (fruit2 :: Fruit2 | v)
injFruit2 fruit2 = inj (Proxy :: Proxy "fruit2") fruit2
-- File 3. This should work without the previous 2 files being recompiled
data Fruit3 = Cherry
showFruit3 :: Fruit3 -> String
showFruit3 Cherry = "cherry"
showFruit3Variant :: forall v
                     . Variant (fruit3 :: Fruit3 | v)
                    -> Maybe String
showFruit3Variant = default Nothing
  # onMatch
    { fruit3: \cherry -> Just (showFruit3 cherry)
```

Now run the following commands in the REPL:

Amazing!

## From Coproduct to VariantF

Previously, we explained Coproduct

```
data Either l r = Left l | Right r

newtype Coproduct f g a = Coproduct (Either (f a) (g a))

-- not nested
Either (Value e) (Add e)
Coproduct Value Add e

-- nested
Either (Value e) (Either (Add e) (Multiply e))
Coproduct Value (Coproduct Add Multiply) e

-- nested using convenience types from both libraries
Either3 (Value e) (Add e) (Multiply e)
Coproduct3 Value Add Multiply e
```

When covering Either, we explained that it was vulnerable to the following refactoring issues because it is not "open":

- 1. Change the order of the types
- 2. Add/Remove a type
- 3. Change one type to another type

Since Coproduct is just a newtype wrapper over an Either, it suffers from the same "closed" problem. Thus, we'll need a corresponding Variant-like type to make it open. That type is VariantF.

	Open/Closed	Kind
Either	Closed	Type
Variant	Open	Type
Coproduct	Closed	Type -> Type
VariantF	Open	Type -> Type

#### **Explaining** VariantF

VariantF builds upon Variant. To refresh our memory, Variant...

- enables us to write nested Either's using row kinds via # Type that is refactor-proof due to row polymorphism (i.e. "open" data type).
- has two core methods:
  - inj (inject): puts a value into a Variant
  - prj (project): extracts a value from a Variant if it exists
- requires the use of Symbol and Proxy to specify which field within the row is being used

VariantF adds the additional requirement of using a proxy called FProxy to wrap a typelevel higher-kinded type:

```
data FProxy (f :: Type -> Type) = FProxy
```

Looking at VariantF, we see the following definition, whose type names I have modified to make it look similar to Coproduct:

Let's see what the code looks like now:

### Composing Type-Level Types via RowApply

When we wanted to compose two or more data types, we used nested Either s. When we wanted to compose two or more higher-kinded data types, we used nested Coproduct s. What, then, do we write to compose two or more type-level higher-kinded types?

We use type aliases for rows and RowApply / + from Prelude:

```
import Type.Row (type (+)) -- infix for RowApply
data ValueF e = ValueF Int
data AddF e = AddF e e

-- We create a type alias for a Row that includes
-- that specific higher-kinded type via FProxy
type Value r = (value :: FProxy Valuef | r)
type Add r = (add :: FProxy AddF | r)

-- and then compose the rows together using RowApply / "+"
type ValueAdd r = (Value + Add + r)
-- which desugars ultimately to
type ValueAdd otherRows = (value :: FProxy ValueF, add :: FProxy AddF |
otherRows)

-- In our final type, we'll need to use an empty row to "close" the row
-- so that our code compiles
VariantF (ValueAdd + ()) e
```

#### **Defining Composable Algebras for Data Types**

To evaluate an expression, we will write this:

```
fold (
  case_
    -- valueAlgebra
    # on valueSymbol (\(\frac{ValueF}{x}\) -> x) {-
    # otherAlgebra -- like add or multiply -}
) expression
```

Thus, to make one Algebra (i.e. a fancy name for f = - > a) composable with other algebras of future data types that we might declare, we will write things like this:

### **Running an Algebra on an Expression**

When we are ready to evaluate an expression, we will need the algebra (f a -> a) that can compute a value when given an expression, and the actual expression. To make it work for all output types, we'll use a generic type. Thus, we get something like this:

```
run :: forall f a b output
    . Functor f
    -- | composed algebra waiting for `case_` |
    -- | case_ | # | composed algebra |
    => ((VariantF () a -> b) -> f output -> output )
    -> Expression f
    -> output
run composedAlgebras expression = fold (case_ # composedAlgebras) expression
```

#### **Final Result**

The following files of code are an adapted version of a gist that was sent to me in PureScript's chatroom. The link to the gist will appear after the next few files of code.

The following files can be run using this command below:

```
spago run -m Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Value
spago run -m Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Add
spago run -m Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Multiply
```

# 01-Value.purs

```
module Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Value
  -- data type and VariantF injection stuff
   ValueF, Value, value
  -- eval stuff
  , valueAlgebra, example_value, eval
  -- The "glue" that makes this work (Expression stuff)
  -- Normally, this file would not have these declarations because
  -- a library would provide it and we'd import it here.
  , Expression(..), fold, run
  ) where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Functor.Variant (VariantF, inj, on, case_)
import Type.Row (type (+))
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
-- Expression, fold, and algebra-unspecific run
-- (These would be imported from the libraries that provide them)
newtype Expression f = In (f (Expression f))
fold :: forall f a. Functor f => (f a -> a) -> Expression f -> a
fold f(In t) = f(map (fold f) t)
-- see `eval` below
run :: forall f a b output
     . Functor f
               case_ | # | algebra
     => ((VariantF () a -> b) -> f output -> output)
     -> Expression f
    -> output
run algebra expression = fold (case_ # algebra) expression
-- data stuff
data ValueF :: Type -> Type
data ValueF e = ValueF Int
derive instance Functor ValueF
-- VariantF stuff
type Value :: Row (Type -> Type) -> Row (Type -> Type)
type Value r = (value :: ValueF | r)
valueSymbol :: Proxy "value"
valueSymbol = Proxy
value :: forall r. Int -> Expression (VariantF (Value + r))
value i = In $ inj valueSymbol (ValueF i)
```

```
example_value :: forall r. Expression (VariantF (Value + r))
example_value = value 5
-- eval stuff
valueAlgebra :: forall r
              . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
             -> (VariantF (Value + r) Int -> Int)
valueAlgebra = on valueSymbol \(ValueF x) -> x
-- This function is not necessary.
-- It simply makes `run` above seem more sensible by giving you a
-- more familiar name and by defining the output type to be `Int`
eval :: forall f a b
     . Functor f
     => ((VariantF () a -> b) -> f Int -> Int)
     -> Expression f
     -> Int
eval = run
-- examples
main :: Effect Unit
main = log $ show $ eval valueAlgebra example_value
```

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02-Add.purs

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PureScript: Jordan's Reference https://jordanmartinez.github.io/purescript-jordans-referenc...

```
module Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Add
  ( AddF, Add, add
  , example_add, addAlgebra
  , example_value_add, VA, vaAlgebraComposed
  ) where
import Prelude hiding (add)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Functor.Variant (VariantF, inj, on)
import Type.Row (type (+))
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
import Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Value (
    Value, value
  , example_value, valueAlgebra
  , Expression(..), eval
-- Data stuff
data AddF e = AddF e e
derive instance Functor AddF
-- Variant Stuff
type Add r = (add :: AddF | r)
addSymbol :: Proxy "add"
addSymbol = Proxy
add :: forall r
       . Expression (VariantF (Add + r))
      -> Expression (VariantF (Add + r))
      -> Expression (VariantF (Add + r))
add x y = In $ inj addSymbol (AddF x y)
example_add :: forall r. Expression (VariantF (Value + Add + r))
example_add = add (value 5) (value 6)
-- Eval stuff
addAlgebra :: forall r
            . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
           -> (VariantF (Add + r) Int -> Int)
addAlgebra = on addSymbol (AddF \times y) \rightarrow x + y
-- Composition
type VA r = (Value + Add + r)
example_value_add :: forall r. Expression (VariantF (VA + r))
example_value_add = add (value 4) (add (value 8) example_value)
vaAlgebraComposed :: forall r
```

```
. (VariantF r Int -> Int)
                    -> (VariantF (VA + r) Int -> Int)
vaAlgebraComposed = valueAlgebra >>> addAlgebra
{-
This could also work if we defined `Add` in the same file as
Value, so that we could use `ValueF`'s data constructor.
It doesn't work here because we did not export
ValueF's data constructor.
To understand why we made this choide,
see "Design Patterns/Smart Constructors"
vaAlgebraBoth :: forall r
                     . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
                    -> (VariantF (VA + r) Int -> Int)
vaAlgebraBoth = onMatch
  { value: \(ValueF x) -> x
  , add: \(AddF \times y) \rightarrow x + y
  }
                                                                      -}
-- Examples
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log $ show $ eval vaAlgebraComposed $ example_add
  log $ show $ eval vaAlgebraComposed $ example_value_add
  -- log $ show $ eval vaAlgebraBoth
                                          $ example_add
  -- log $ show $ eval vaAlgebraBoth
                                          $ example_value_add
```

# 03-Multiply.purs

```
module Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Multiply where
import Prelude hiding (add)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Functor.Variant (VariantF, inj, on)
import Type.Row (type (+))
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(..))
import Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Value (
    Value, value
  , example_value, valueAlgebra
  , Expression(...), eval
import Free.ExpressionBased.VariantF.Add (
    Add, add
  , example_add, addAlgebra
  , example_value_add, VA, vaAlgebraComposed
-- data stuff
data MultiplyF e = MultiplyF e e
derive instance Functor MultiplyF
-- VariantF stuff
type Multiply r = (multiply :: MultiplyF | r)
multiplySymbol :: Proxy "multiply"
multiplySymbol = Proxy
multiply :: forall r
      . Expression (VariantF (Multiply + r))
      -> Expression (VariantF (Multiply + r))
      -> Expression (VariantF (Multiply + r))
multiply x y = In $ inj multiplySymbol (MultiplyF x y)
-- eval stuff
multiplyAlgebra :: forall r
                     . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
                    -> (VariantF (Multiply + r) Int -> Int)
multiplyAlgebra =
  on multiplySymbol (\((MultiplyF x y) -> x * y)
-- Composition: Exclude Add - Only Value & Multiply
vmAlgebra :: forall r
              . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
             -> (VariantF (Value + Multiply + r) Int -> Int)
vmAlgebra =
  valueAlgebra >>> multiplyAlgebra
example_value_multiply :: forall r. Expression (VariantF (Value + Multiply +
```

```
r))
example_value_multiply =
  multiply (value 5) (multiply (value 3) (value 6))
-- Composition: Value, Add, & Multiply
vamAlgebraComposed :: forall r
              . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
             -> (VariantF (Value + Add + Multiply + r) Int -> Int)
vamAlgebraComposed =
  valueAlgebra >>> addAlgebra >>> multiplyAlgebra
-- This approach is not as refactor-resistant
-- to the algebra immediately above
vamAlgebraShorter :: forall r
              . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
             -> (VariantF (VA + Multiply + r) Int -> Int)
vamAlgebraShorter = vaAlgebraComposed >>> multiplyAlgebra
example_value_add_multiply :: forall r. Expression (VariantF (VA + Multiply +
r))
example_value_add_multiply =
  add
    (multiply
      (add
        example_value
        (value 8)
      )
      (multiply
        example_value_multiply
        example_add
      )
    )
    example_value_add
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log $ show $ eval vmAlgebra
                                       example_value_multiply
  log $ show $ eval vamAlgebraComposed example_value_add_multiply
  log $ show $ eval vamAlgebraShorter example_value_add_multiply
```

## **Original Gist**

My code diverges from the original gist's code by

- converting the unfamiliar Matryoshka -library types and names into the more familiar types and names we've been using here
- defining algebras only via "on" (i.e. on symbol function) rather than using "onMatch" (i.e. onMatch {value: function, add: function})
- the original paper showed how to define an expression that only allowed Value and Multiply operations. xgrommx's original gist did not have this.

The following table will help you understand the upcoming links to code:

Our Code	xgrommx's code		
newtype Expression f	newtype Mu f		
Expression (VariantF t)	MuV t		
In \$ inj symbol data	injMu symbol data		
f a -> a	Algebra f a		
fold	<pre>cata Recursive t f can be better understood as t (f t) -&gt; f t</pre>		

#### The links:

- Read from ADT1.purs to ADT6.purs: From Algebraic Data Types (ADTs) to Extensible Algebraic Data Types (EADTs). This will help us get used to the different names he uses for the same ideas
- The original gist

### **Explaining** Run

This folder will explain the basic idea of purescript-run and then solve the paper's version of the Expression Problem using it.

### What is Run?

If you recall, xgrommx mentions purescript-run in a comment in ADT8.purs. (The ReadMe of this library provides an overview of the ideas we've explained here.)

What is purescript-run? Why would we use that over Free? There are three reasons.

First, let's look at the type of Run:

```
newtype Run r a = Run (Free (VariantF r) a)
```

We can see that Run is a compile-time-only type that specifies the Functor type of Free to the open CoProduct type: VariantF.

Let's compare the same idea encoded in both forms (note: Run will use naming conventions that will be explained below):

```
free :: Free (VariantF (add :: FProxy Add, subtract :: FProxy Subtract)) a
-- is the same as
run :: Run (ADD + SUBTRACT) a
```

In short, Run draws attention to the effects used and eliminates other distracting "noise" that occurs due to a lot of types.

Second, this library exposes helper functions that add a MonadRec type class constraint to guarantee that stack overflows won't occur. Due to the recursive nature by which one "interprets" a Free monad, Free -based computations can sometimes result in stack overflows. These helper functions make it trivial to insure stack-safety. See the "Stack-Safety" section at the bottom of the project's ReadMe for more info.

Third, this library already defines types and functions for using and working with different effects (e.g. StateT, ReaderT, WriterT, etc. but for the Free monad). One does not need to re-implement these types for each project, so that the code works every time. (These are also covered more below)

### **Comparing Run to Free and MTL**

### Free and Run: Some Core Functions Compared

Let's look at a few core functions (the following block of code is licensed under the MIT license:

```
newtype Run r a = Run (Free (VariantF r) a)
-- `Run`'s version of `Free`'s `liftF`
lift
 ∷ ∀ sym r1 r2 f a
  . Row.Cons sym (FProxy f) r1 r2
  ⇒ IsSymbol sym
  ⇒ Functor f
  ⇒ Proxy sym
  → f a
  → Run r2 a
                    -- Run
                              (Free ( VariantF (row :: type)) output)
lift symbol dataType = Run <<< liftF <<< inj symbol dataType</pre>
-- This function will appear later in this folder's code
-- | Extracts the value from a purely interpreted program.
extract ∷ ∀ a. Run () a → a
-- `Run`'s version of `Free`'s `resume`
peel :: forall a r. Run r a -> Either (VariantF r (Run r a)) a
```

### **Naming Conventions for Effects**

Let's look at some of the type aliases it provides:

```
type EFFECT = FProxy Effect
type AFF = FProxy Aff
```

Rather than typing (fieldName:: FProxy Functor), we use an all-caps type alias: (fieldName:: FUNCTOR). This improves code readability, so we will follow suit.

#### Similarities to MTL

#### **Type Aliases**

purescript-run has a few other type aliases that will look familiar.

```
newtype Reader e a = Reader (e → a)
type READER e = FProxy (Reader e)

data State s a = State (s → s) (s → a)
type STATE s = FProxy (State s)

data Writer w a = Writer w a
type WRITER w = FProxy (Writer w)

newtype Except e a = Except e
type EXCEPT e = FProxy (Except e)
type FAIL = EXCEPT Unit
```

#### The takeaways here:

- As stated above, purescript-run already defines and properly handles the types that make the same effects we saw in the MTL folder work out-of-box.
- The a in each type is the output type, so it is excluded.
- FAIL indicates an error whose type we don't care about.

#### **MTL-Like Functions**

If we look at some of the functions that each of the above MTL-like types provide, we'll notice another pattern. Each type (e.g. Reader) seems to define its own Symbol (e.g. \_reader :: Proxy "reader") for the corresponding type in VariantF's row type (e.g. READER).

However, if one wanted to use a custom Symbol name for their usage of an MTL-like type (e.g. Reader), they can append at to the function and get the same thing. In other words:

```
liftReader readerObj = liftReaderAt _reader readerObj
liftReaderAt symbol readerObj = -- implementation
ask = askAt _reader
askAt symbol = -- implementation
```

In short, one can use a Run -based monad to do two different state computations in the same function, something which the unmodified MTL approach via MonadState cannot do.

### **Examples of MTL-Like Run-Based Code**

- See this project's Hello World/Projects/src/Simplest Program folder for an example of what a very simple program with a Run-based architecture looks like.
- A simple program using multiple effects
- A short explanation from Free to Run that also covers Coproduct / VariantF and whose code can be found in the project's test directory:
  - Examples.purs
  - Main.purs

### 01-Value.purs

```
module Free.RunBased.Value (main, value, example_value) where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Run (Run, extract)

value :: forall r. Int -> Run r Int
value i = pure i

example_value :: forall r. Run r Int
example_value = value 5

main :: Effect Unit
main = do
    log $ show $ extract example_value
```

## 02-Add.purs

```
module Free.RunBased.Add
  ( main
  , AddF, ADD, add
  , example_add, addAlgebra
  , eval
  ) where
import Prelude hiding (add)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Either (Either(..))
import Data.Functor.Variant (VariantF, on, case_)
import Type.Row (type (+))
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(..))
import Free.RunBased.Value (value)
import Run (Run, lift, peel)
-- Data stuff
data AddF e = AddF e e
derive instance Functor AddF
-- Variant Stuff
type ADD r = (add :: AddF | r)
_add :: Proxy "add"
_add = Proxy
{-
We know from previous code that we need a type signature like
add :: Expression a
    -> Expression a
    -> Expression a
However, if we follow the same pattern we've been using via `Run.lift`
the return type's `a` will be another "Expression a"
-}
add_problematic :: forall r a
                 . Run (ADD + r) a
                \rightarrow Run (ADD + r) a
                \rightarrow Run (ADD + r) (Run (ADD + r) a)
add_problematic x y = lift _add (AddF x y)
{-
To get around this problem, we need to remember that
Run is a monad. Thus, the above type signature could look like this:
    add_problematic :: forall m a
                     . Monad m
                     => m a
                     -> m a
                     -> m (m a)
```

```
We need a function whose type signature is...
    m (m a) -> m a
... to get rid of that nested monad.
This is known as 'join' from 'Bind'
                                                                                  -}
add_correct :: forall r a
             . Run (ADD + r) a
             \rightarrow Run (ADD + r) a
             \rightarrow Run (ADD + r) a
add_correct x y = join $ add_problematic x y
-- Putting it all on one line:
add :: forall r a
     . Run (ADD + r) a
    \rightarrow Run (ADD + r) a
    \rightarrow Run (ADD + r) a
add x y = join $ lift _add (AddF x y)
example_add :: forall r. Run (ADD + r) Int
example_add = add (value 5) (value 6)
-- Eval stuff
addAlgebra :: forall r
             . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
            -> (VariantF (ADD + r) Int -> Int)
addAlgebra = on \_add \setminus (AddF x y) \rightarrow x + y
-- fold
iter :: forall r a. (VariantF r a -> a) -> Run r a -> a
iter k = go
  where
  go m = case peel m of
    Left f -> k (go <$> f)
    Right a -> a
eval :: forall r a b
      . ((VariantF () a -> b) -> VariantF r Int -> Int)
     -> Run r Int
     -> Int
eval algebra = iter (case_ # algebra)
-- Examples
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log $ show $ eval addAlgebra example_add
```

## 03-Multiply.purs

```
module Free.RunBased.Multiply where
import Prelude hiding (add)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Functor.Variant (VariantF, on)
import Type.Row (type (+))
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(..))
import Free.RunBased.Value (value)
import Free.RunBased.Add (ADD, add, addAlgebra, eval)
import Run (Run, lift)
-- Data stuff
data MultiplyF e = MultiplyF e e
derive instance Functor MultiplyF
-- Variant Stuff
type MULTIPLY r = (multiply :: MultiplyF | r)
_multiply :: Proxy "multiply"
_multiply = Proxy
multiply :: forall r a
    . Run (MULTIPLY + r) a
    -> Run (MULTIPLY + r) a
    -> Run (MULTIPLY + r) a
multiply x y = join $ lift _multiply (MultiplyF x y)
example_multiply :: forall r. Run (MULTIPLY + r) Int
example_multiply = multiply (value 5) (value 6)
-- Eval stuff
multiplyAlgebra :: forall r
            . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
           -> (VariantF (MULTIPLY + r) Int -> Int)
multiplyAlgebra = on _multiply \((MultiplyF x y) -> x * y
amAlgebra :: forall r
          . (VariantF r Int -> Int)
          -> (VariantF (ADD + MULTIPLY + r) Int -> Int)
amAlgebra = addAlgebra >>> multiplyAlgebra
-- Examples
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log $ show $ eval multiplyAlgebra example_multiply
  log $ show $ eval amAlgebra (multiply (add (value 5) (multiply (value 2)
(value 4))) (value 5))
```

### **Drawbacks of Free**

In the below video, John De Goes explains what some of the limitations of the Free monad are, why, how fixes for them can be "hacked in," and what is needed to ultimately fix them...

- parallelism
- racing
- alternatives
- e.g. stuff one can't model using just the Monad structure of Free

Video Link: Beyond Free Monads

### **Random Number**

This folder will show how to build a the infamous "hello world" program using the various approaches (i.e. ReaderT, Free, and Run) to structuring one's application in such a way that the pure domain logic is separated from the impure effects needed to make it work.

This is as simple as can be: the program prints "hello world" to the console and then terminates.

### **Compilation Instructions**

Run the following while in the Hello World/Application Structure/ folder.

```
spago run -m Examples.HelloWorld.ReaderT
spago run -m Examples.HelloWorld.Free
spago run -m Examples.HelloWorld.Run
```

### **Design Thought-Process**

This program will generate a random number, determine whether that random number is greater than or less to a hard-coded value (to simulate a domain idea) and then print its results.

#### Level 4 / Core

For this program now, there are no domain concepts or rules/relationships.

### Level 3 / Domain

The program consists of 1 steps:

1. log "Hello World" to the console

### Level 2 / API

The "effects" or "capabilities" we need to run this program are relatively simple:

• The capability to send a message to the user

### Level 1 / Infrastructure

This capability can be obtained by the runtime system:

For this program, we will only "send a message to the user" in one way: log it to the
console. In future projects, we could also use Halogen (or React) to print a message to
our web app.

### Level 0 / Machine Code

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

Production: we'll use Effect as our base monad to run the code

## **02-ReaderT.purs**

```
module Examples.HelloWorld.ReaderT where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console as Console
import Effect.Class (class MonadEffect, liftEffect)
import Control.Monad.Reader.Trans (ReaderT, runReaderT)
-- Core: Define any domain-specific concepts and their rules/relationships to
           other domain-specific concepts
-- since there are no domain concepts or rules/relationships,
      we won't include anything here...
-- Domain: define business logic and capabilities need to run it:
-- - define our business logic as one pure function (program)
        that uses type class constraints to define the effects our
        program requires to be run
                                    -- for any monad supporting these
program :: forall m.
capabilities/effects--
           LogToScreen m =>
                                   -- one of which is logging a message
           m Unit
                                    -- --running this monad will produce no
output.
                                    -- However, running it will produce side-
effects
                                    -- that make running this code useful
program = do
  -- use capability to log a message to the console
  logToScreen "Hello World!"
-- - declare what those capabilities are as type classes that require monadic
types.
class (Monad m) <= LogToScreen m where</pre>
  logToScreen :: String -> m Unit
-- API: define how the pure domain concepts and logic above translate
          down into pure effects and impure effects via a `ReaderT`-based monad
-- - a newtyped ReaderT monad called "AppM" that hard-codes the Environent
        type ("Unit" in this case because there is no global config value)
        and the base monad (Effect in this case)
newtype AppM a = AppM (ReaderT Unit Effect a)
-- - a 'runAppM' function that unwraps the AppM newtype and runs the program
        in the `Effect` monad, which is transformed/augmented by the ReaderT
function
       Since we don't have any global config being passed into our program,
          we just pass in "unit"
```

```
runAppM :: AppM ~> Effect
runAppM (AppM m) = runReaderT m unit
-- - Since there is no global configuration value for this program
       we do not need AppM to have an instance for MonadAsk
-- derive newtype instance MonadAsk e AppM
-- - write instances for capabilities above, so that AppM can use them
instance LogToScreen AppM where
 logToScreen :: String -> AppM Unit
 logToScreen message = liftEffect $ Console.log message
-- - derive instances for AppM, so that it is a Monad via ReaderT
derive newtype instance Functor AppM
derive newtype instance Applicative AppM
derive newtype instance Apply AppM
derive newtype instance Bind AppM
derive newtype instance Monad AppM
-- - enable functions that return `Effect a` to be run inside our `AppM`
program
       such as Effect.Console.log
derive newtype instance MonadEffect AppM
-- Infrastructure: any other code (i.e. databases, frameworks, libraries)
                    that provides effects that do not appear in `Effect.*`
modules
-- We aren't using other libraries (Node.ReadLine, Halogen, etc.).
-- Thus, nothing needs to go here for right now
_____
-- Machine Code: set up everything we need and then run the program
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
 -- no global config to set up here
  -- run the program by passing the domain logic into the `runAppM` function
  runAppM program
```

## 03-Free.purs

```
module Examples.HelloWorld.Free where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console as Console
import Control.Monad.Free (Free, liftF, foldFree)
-- Core: Define any domain-specific concepts and their rules/relationships to
          other domain-specific concepts
-- define any domain-specif concepts
newtype HardCodedInt = HardCodedInt Int
-- and their rules and relationships to other concepts via
-- - functions
-- - type classes
-- since there are no rules/relationships, we won't include anything here...
-- Domain: define business logic and capabilities need to run it:
-- - define our business logic as one pure function (program)
        that uses data types that have Functor instances
        to define the effects our program requires to be run
program :: Free
                                      -- A program that...
           AllEffects
                                      -- ... given an interpreter for each one
of its 'effects'...
           Unit
                                      -- ... will produce no output.
                                      -- However, running it will produce side-
effects
                                      -- that make this program useful
program = do
  -- use capability to log a message to the console
  logToScreen "Hello World!"
-- - define a type alias that defines what all our effects/capabilities are
type AllEffects =
   LogToScreen -- we only have one, which enables logging to the screen
-- - declare what the capabilities/effects are as data types with
      derived instances for `Functor` and write their smart constructors.
data LogToScreen a = LogToScreen String a
derive instance Functor LogToScreen
logToScreen :: String -> Free AllEffects Unit
logToScreen message = liftF $ LogToScreen message unit
-- API: define how the pure domain concepts and logic above translate
         into pure effects and impure effects via
```

```
"data type interpreters" (i.e. F-Algebras)
-- - an "interpreter" from each data type used above to the base monad, Effect
      via a Natural Transformation
logToScreenToEffect :: LogToScreen ~> Effect
logToScreenToEffect (LogToScreen msg next) = do
  Console.log msg
  pure next
-- - an interpreter from the (Free AllEffects) type to the base monad, Effect,
        using `foldFree` and the above interprters.
runProgram :: Free AllEffects ~> Effect
runProgram = foldFree go
  where
  -- - route each data type to its correct interpreter
  go :: AllEffects ~> Effect
  go = logToScreenToEffect
-- Infrastructure: any other code (i.e. databases, frameworks, libraries)
                     that provides effects that do not appear in `Effect.*`
modules
-- We aren't using other libraries (Node.ReadLine, Halogen, etc.).
-- Thus, nothing needs to go here for right now
-- Machine Code: set up everything we need and then run the program
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  -- no global config to set up here
  -- run the program by passing in the final data type
  -- that includes all the instructions to run via their interpreters.
  runProgram program
```

## 04-Run.purs

```
module Examples. HelloWorld. Run where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console as Console
import Type.Row (type (+))
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
import Data.Functor.Variant (on)
import Run (Run, lift, interpret, case_)
-- Core: Define any domain-specific concepts and their rules/relationships to
          other domain-specific concepts
-- since there are no domain concepts or rules/relationships,
     we won't include anything here...
-- Domain: define business logic and capabilities need to run it:
-- - define our business logic as one pure function (program)
        that uses data types that have Functor instances
        to define the effects our program requires to be run
program :: forall r.
           Run
                                   -- A program that, given an interpreter
that...
            ( LOG_TO_SCREEN
                                   -- can enable logging to the screen
                                         and any other effects/capabilities
            + r
                                   --
                                   --
                                            we may add later
            )
                                   -- ... will produce no output.
            Unit
                                   -- However, running it will produce side-
effects
                                   -- that make this program useful
program = do
  -- use capability to log a message to the console
  logToScreen "Hello World!"
-- - declare what the capabilities/effects are as data types with
       derived instances for `Functor`,
     define their type-level Strings that act as their corresponding label in a
row,
    define a type alias that makes using the data type in rows easier
    and write their smart constructors.
data LogToScreen a = LogToScreen String a
derive instance Functor LogToScreen
_logToScreen :: Proxy "logToScreen"
_logToScreen = Proxy
type LOG_TO_SCREEN r = (logToScreen :: LogToScreen | r)
logToScreen :: forall r. String -> Run (LOG_TO_SCREEN + r) Unit
```

```
logToScreen msg = lift _logToScreen $ LogToScreen msg unit
-- API: define how the pure domain concepts and logic above translate
          into pure effects and impure effects via
          "data type interpreters" (i.e. F-Algebras)
-- - an "interpreter" for each data type used above
logToScreenToEffect :: LogToScreen ~> Effect
logToScreenToEffect (LogToScreen msg next) = do
  Console.log msg
  pure next
-- Reader does not need to be done since `purescript-run` already defines
-- an interpreter via `runReader`
-- - an interpreter from the (Run <AllEffects>) type to the base monad, Effect.
    Since we are not adding, any new effects/capabilities at this time,
        we close the row kind using an empty row (i.e. "()")
    Since we are using "open" row kinds, we need to use "case_" to insure that
        all effects/capabilities are interpreted.
runProgram :: Run ( LOG_TO_SCREEN
                  + () -- closes the "open" row kinds of "program"
              ~> Effect
runProgram p =
    -- use "interpret" and "case_" for capabilities
    # interpret (
       case_
          # on _logToScreen logToScreenToEffect
      )
_____
-- Infrastructure: any other code (i.e. databases, frameworks, libraries)
                    that provides effects that do not appear in `Effect.*`
modules
-- We aren't using other libraries (Node.ReadLine, Halogen, etc.).
-- Thus, nothing needs to go here for right now

    Machine Code: set up everything we need and then run the program

main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  -- no global config to set up here
  -- run the program by passing in the final data type
  -- that includes all the instructions to run via their interpreters.
  runProgram program
```

### **Random Number**

This folder will show how to build a very simple program using the various approaches (i.e. ReaderT, Free, and Run) to structure one's application in such a way that the pure domain logic is separated from the impure effects needed to make it work.

To keep things simple, this program will only use the Effect monad and basic effects, such as logging to the screen some output and generating a random number. It will not use the slightly more complicated monad, Aff, or other libraries that provide specifc effects like getting the users' input via Node.ReadLine and/or running the application as a web app via Halogen.

As said before, by structuring programs in this style, it makes them easier to test and benchmark the domain logic because these are pure functions, not impure ones. However, tests and benchmarks for this program will not be done.

The upcoming projects will build on this pattern and include tests/benchmarks there.

### **Compilation Instructions**

Run the following while in the Hello World/Application Structure/ folder.

```
spago run -m Examples.NumberComparison.ReaderT
spago run -m Examples.NumberComparison.Free
spago run -m Examples.NumberComparison.Run
```

## **Design Thought-Process**

This program will generate a random number, determine whether that random number is greater than or less to a hard-coded value (to simulate a domain idea) and then print its results.

#### Level 4 / Core

We'll first define the types we'll be using throughout our program. Since the only domainspecifc idea we want to model is a hard-coded number that has no properties or relationships with other values, this will be simple:

Type Name	What it is	Properties/Purpose	Implementation
HardCodedInt	Something to simulate a domain concept we're trying to model	it can be less than, equal to, or greater than, a randomly- generated number	a newtyped Int

### Level 3 / Domain

The program consists of 3 steps:

- 1. generate a random integer
- 2. get the hardcoded integer value from the global configuration
- 3. log whether the random integer is less than, equal to, or greater than our hard-coded integer

### Level 2 / API

The "effects" or "capabilities" we need to run this program are relatively simple:

- The capability to generate a random Int value (Note: this random number generator does not need cryptography-level security)
- The capability to send a message to the user

• The capability to get the hard-coded value from the global configuration

### Level 1 / Infrastructure

These two capabilities can be obtained by the runtime system:

- The random number generation can be done via the Effect.Random (randomInt) function
- For this program, we will only "send a message to the user" in one way: log it to the console. In future projects, we could also use Halogen (or React) to print a message to our web app.

Getting the hard-coded value requires us to use a ReaderT -like approach to getting that value.

### Level 0 / Machine Code

Production: we'll use Effect as our base monad to run the code

## **02-ReaderT.purs**

```
module Examples.NumberComparison.ReaderT where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console as Console
import Effect.Random (randomInt)
import Effect.Class (class MonadEffect, liftEffect)
import Control.Monad.Reader.Trans (ReaderT, runReaderT)
import Control.Monad.Reader.Class (class MonadAsk, asks)
import Type.Equality (class TypeEquals, from)
-- Core: Define any domain-specific concepts and their rules/relationships to
          other domain-specific concepts
-- define any domain-specif concepts
newtype HardCodedInt = HardCodedInt Int
-- and their rules and relationships to other concepts via
-- - functions
-- - type classes
-- since there are no rules/relationships, we won't include anything here...
-- Domain: define business logic and capabilities need to run it:
-- - define our business logic as one pure function (program)
       that uses type class constraints to define the effects our
       program requires to be run
program :: forall m.
                                   -- for any monad supporting these
capabilities/effects--
          LogToScreen m => -- one of which is logging a message
          GenerateRandomInt m => -- one of which is generating a random
int
          MonadAsk Environment m => -- one of which is getting info from a
global record/config
                                   -- where that record type is
"Environment"
          m Unit
                                   -- --running this monad will produce no
output.
                                   -- However, it will side-effects that make
running this code useful
program = do
  -- use capability to generate random int
  randomInt <- generateRandomInt</pre>
  -- use Reader effect to get value
  (HardCodedInt hardInt) <- asks \envRecord -> envRecord.hardCodedInt
  -- use "let" syntax to do some intermediary pure computations:
  -- 1. do the comparison and convert the result into something more readable
```

```
let comparisonResult = case compare hardInt randomInt of
         LT -> " < "
         GT -> " > "
         EQ -> " = "
  -- 2. create a message that clearly shows what the output will be
 let message = show hardInt <> comparisonResult <> show randomInt
 -- use capability to log comparison to console
 logToScreen message
-- - define an `Environment` record type alias that includes all things that
       available globally at all times. This is only necessary because we're
       using a ReaderT-like approach.
type Environment = { hardCodedInt :: HardCodedInt }
-- - declare what those capabilities are as type classes.
class (Monad m) <= LogToScreen m where</pre>
 logToScreen :: String -> m Unit
class (Monad m) <= GenerateRandomInt m where</pre>
  generateRandomInt :: m Int
_____
-- API: define how the pure domain concepts and logic above translate
         down into pure effects and impure effects via a `ReaderT`-based monad
-- - a newtyped ReaderT monad called "AppM" that hard-codes the Environent
       type and the base monad (Effect in this case)
newtype AppM a = AppM (ReaderT Environment Effect a)
-- - a 'runAppM' function that unwraps the AppM newtype and runs the program
       in the `Effect` monad, which is transformed/augmented by the ReaderT
function
       Any values or functions that are needed to provide effects
       are passed in from the outside (i.e. `envRecord`)
runAppM :: Environment -> AppM ~> Effect
runAppM env (AppM m) = runReaderT m env
-- - a MonadAsk instance that uses TypeEquals to work around a restriction:
        "cannot use a type alias (i.e. `Environent` type) in type class
instance"
instance TypeEquals e Environment => MonadAsk e AppM where
 ask = AppM $ asks from
-- - write instances for capabilities above, so that AppM can use them
instance LogToScreen AppM where
  logToScreen :: String -> AppM Unit
 logToScreen message = liftEffect $ Console.log message
instance GenerateRandomInt AppM where
  generateRandomInt :: AppM Int
```

```
generateRandomInt = liftEffect $ randomInt bottom top
-- - derive instances for AppM, so that it is a Monad via ReaderT
derive newtype instance Functor AppM
derive newtype instance Applicative AppM
derive newtype instance Apply AppM
derive newtype instance Bind AppM
derive newtype instance Monad AppM
derive newtype instance MonadEffect AppM
-- Infrastructure: any other code (i.e. databases, frameworks, libraries)
                     that provides effects that do not appear in `Effect.*`
modules
-- We aren't using other libraries (Node.ReadLine, Halogen, etc.).
-- Thus, nothing needs to go here for right now
-- Machine Code: set up everything we need and then run the program
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  -- set up the environment
 let environment = { hardCodedInt: HardCodedInt 4 }
  -- run the program by passing the Environment and the domain logic
  -- into the `runAppM` function
  runAppM environment program
```

## 03-Free.purs

```
module Examples.NumberComparison.Free where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console as Console
import Effect.Random (randomInt)
import Control.Monad.Free (Free, liftF, foldFree)
import Data.Functor.Coproduct.Nested (Coproduct3, coproduct3)
import Data.Functor.Coproduct.Inject (inj)
-- Core: Define any domain-specific concepts and their rules/relationships to
          other domain-specific concepts
-- define any domain-specif concepts
newtype HardCodedInt = HardCodedInt Int
-- and their rules and relationships to other concepts via
-- - functions
-- - type classes
-- since there are no rules/relationships, we won't include anything here...
_____
-- Domain: define business logic and capabilities need to run it:
-- - define our business logic as one pure function (program)
       that uses data types that have Functor instances
       to define the effects our program requires to be run
program :: Free
                                     -- A program that...
           AllEffects
                                     -- ... given an interpreter for each one
of its 'effects'...
                                     -- ... will produce no output.
           Unit
                                      -- However, running it will produce side-
effects
                                      -- that make this program useful
program = do
  -- use capability to generate random int
  randomInt <- generateRandomInt</pre>
  -- use Reader effect to get value
  (HardCodedInt hardInt) <- asks \envRecord -> envRecord.hardCodedInt
  -- use "let" syntax to do some intermediary pure computations:
  -- 1. do the comparison and convert the result into something more readable
  let comparisonResult = case compare hardInt randomInt of
         LT -> " < "
         GT -> " > "
         EQ -> " = "
  -- 2. create a message that clearly shows what the output will be
  let message = show hardInt <> comparisonResult <> show randomInt
```

```
-- use capability to log comparison to console
  logToScreen message
-- - define a type alias that defines what all our effects/capabilities are
type AllEffects =
 Coproduct3
                         -- in total, we have 3 effects/capabilities
                         -- one of which enables logging to the screen
   LogToScreen
   GenerateRandomInt -- one of which enables generating a random int
    (Reader Environment) -- one which can get values/functions from the
                                global configuration type, Environment
-- - define an `Environment` record type alias that includes all things that
are
       available globally at all times. Note: This is only necessary because
we're
        using a ReaderT-like approach.
type Environment = { hardCodedInt :: HardCodedInt }
-- - declare what the capabilities/effects are as data types with
      derived instances for `Functor` and write their smart constructors.
data LogToScreen a = LogToScreen String a
derive instance Functor LogToScreen
logToScreen :: String -> Free AllEffects Unit
logToScreen message = liftF $ inj $ LogToScreen message unit
data GenerateRandomInt a = GenerateRandomInt (Int -> a)
derive instance Functor GenerateRandomInt
generateRandomInt :: Free AllEffects Int
generateRandomInt = liftF $ inj $ GenerateRandomInt identity
newtype Reader e a = Reader (e -> a)
derive instance Functor (Reader e)
ask :: Free AllEffects Environment
ask = liftF $ inj $ Reader identity
asks :: forall a. (Environment -> a) -> Free AllEffects a
asks envToValue = liftF $ inj $ Reader envToValue
-- API: define how the pure domain concepts and logic above translate
          into pure effects and impure effects via
          "data type interpreters" (i.e. F-Algebras)
-- - an "interpreter" from each data type used above to the base monad, Effect
      via a Natural Transformation
logToScreenToEffect :: LogToScreen ~> Effect
logToScreenToEffect (LogToScreen msg next) = do
 Console.log msg
  pure next
```

```
generateRandomIntToEffect :: GenerateRandomInt ~> Effect
generateRandomIntToEffect (GenerateRandomInt reply) = do
  random <- randomInt bottom top
  pure $ reply random
-- Any values or functions that are needed by Reader are passed in
-- from the outside (i.e. `envRecord`)
readerToEffect :: Environment -> Reader Environment ~> Effect
readerToEffect environment (Reader reply) = do
  pure $ reply environment
-- - an interpreter from the (Free AllEffects) type to the base monad, Effect,
        using `foldFree` and the above interprters.
        Any values or functions that are needed by Reader are passed in
        from the outside (i.e. `envRecord`)
runProgram :: Environment -> Free AllEffects ~> Effect
runProgram envRecord = foldFree go
  where
  -- - route each data type in the containing Coproduct to its correct
        interpreter using the convenience function, `coproduct3`
  go :: AllEffects ~> Effect
  go =
   coproduct3
      logToScreenToEffect
      generateRandomIntToEffect
      (readerToEffect envRecord)
-- Infrastructure: any other code (i.e. databases, frameworks, libraries)
                     that provides effects that do not appear in `Effect.*`
modules
-- We aren't using other libraries (Node.ReadLine, Halogen, etc.).
-- Thus, nothing needs to go here for right now
-- Machine Code: set up everything we need and then run the program
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  -- set up the environment
  let environment = { hardCodedInt: HardCodedInt 4 }
  -- run the program by passing in the environment and the final data type
  -- that includes all the instructions to run via their interpreters.
  runProgram environment program
```

## 04-Run.purs

```
module Examples.NumberComparison.Run where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console as Console
import Effect.Random (randomInt)
import Type.Row (type (+))
import Data.Functor.Variant (on)
import Run (Run, lift, interpret, case_)
import Run.Reader (READER, runReader, ask)
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(..))
-- Core: Define any domain-specific concepts and their rules/relationships to
          other domain-specific concepts
-- define any domain-specif concepts
newtype HardCodedInt = HardCodedInt Int
-- and their rules and relationships to other concepts via
-- - functions
-- - type classes
-- Since there are no rules/relationships, we won't include anything here...
_____
-- Domain: define business logic and capabilities need to run it:
-- - define our business logic as one pure function (program)
       that uses data types that have Functor instances
       to define the effects our program requires to be run
program :: forall r.
          Run
                                  -- A program that, given an interpreter
that...
           -- effects go first
           | READER Environment -- can provide values/functions from the
                                        global configuration type,
Environment
           -- capabilities go second
           + LOG_TO_SCREEN -- can enable logging to the screen
           + GENERATE_RANDOM_INT -- can enable generating a random int
           + r
                                -- and any other effects/capabilities
           )
                                          we may add later
                                  -- ... will produce no output.
           Unit
                                  -- However, running it will produce side-
effects
                                  -- that make this program useful
program = do
  -- use capability to generate random int
  randomInt <- generateRandomInt</pre>
```

```
-- use Reader effect to get the value
  -- (`purescript-run` does not include 'asks' for its Reader implementation,
        so this is the way to do the same thing)
  (HardCodedInt hardInt) <- ask <#> (\envRecord -> envRecord.hardCodedInt)
  -- use "let" syntax to do some intermediary pure computations:
  -- 1. do the comparison and convert the result into something more readable
  let comparisonResult = case compare hardInt randomInt of
          LT -> " < "
          GT -> " > "
          EO -> " = "
  -- 2. create a message that clearly shows what the output will be
 let message = show hardInt <> comparisonResult <> show randomInt
  -- use capability to log comparison to console
  logToScreen message
-- - define an `Environment` record type alias that includes all things that
are
       available globally at all times. Note: This is only necessary because
we're
        using a ReaderT-like approach.
type Environment = { hardCodedInt :: HardCodedInt }
-- - declare what the capabilities/effects are as data types with
      derived instances for `Functor`,
    define their type-level Strings that act as their corresponding label in a
   define a type alias that makes using the data type in rows easier
    and write their smart constructors.
data LogToScreen a = LogToScreen String a
derive instance Functor LogToScreen
_logToScreen :: Proxy "logToScreen"
_logToScreen = Proxy
type LOG_TO_SCREEN r = (logToScreen :: LogToScreen | r)
logToScreen :: forall r. String -> Run (LOG_TO_SCREEN + r) Unit
logToScreen msg = lift _logToScreen $ LogToScreen msg unit
data GenerateRandomInt a = GenerateRandomInt (Int -> a)
derive instance Functor GenerateRandomInt
_generateRandomInt :: Proxy "generateRandomInt"
_generateRandomInt = Proxy
type GENERATE_RANDOM_INT r = (generateRandomInt :: GenerateRandomInt | r)
generateRandomInt :: forall r. Run (GENERATE_RANDOM_INT + r) Int
generateRandomInt = lift _generateRandomInt $ GenerateRandomInt identity
```

```
-- we do not need to define Reader here since `purescript-run` already does so
-- API: define how the pure domain concepts and logic above translate
          into pure effects and impure effects via
          "data type interpreters" (i.e. F-Algebras)
-- - an "interpreter" for each data type used above
logToScreenToEffect :: LogToScreen ~> Effect
logToScreenToEffect (LogToScreen msg next) = do
 Console.log msg
 pure next
generateRandomIntToEffect :: GenerateRandomInt ~> Effect
generateRandomIntToEffect (GenerateRandomInt reply) = do
  random <- randomInt bottom top</pre>
  pure $ reply random
-- Reader does not need to be done since `purescript-run` already defines
-- an interpreter via `runReader`
-- - an interpreter from the (Run <AllEffects>) type to the base monad, Effect.
     Since we are not adding, any new effects/capabilities at this time,
        we close the row kind using an empty row (i.e. "()")
    Since we are using "open" row kinds, we need to use "case_" to insure that
        all effects/capabilities are interpreted.
    Any values or functions that are needed by Reader are passed in
        from the outside (i.e. `envRecord`)
runProgram :: Environment ->
              Run (
                  READER Environment
                  + LOG_TO_SCREEN
                  + GENERATE_RANDOM_INT
                  + () -- closes the "open" row of "program"
                  )
              ~> Effect
runProgram envRecord p =
 p
    -- use "runX" for MTL effects
    # runReader envRecord
    -- use "interpret" and "case_" for capabilities
    # interpret (
        case_{-}
          # on _logToScreen logToScreenToEffect
          # on _generateRandomInt generateRandomIntToEffect
     )
-- Infrastructure: We aren't using other libraries (Node.ReadLine, Halogen,
etc.)
```

### **Modern FP Architecture**

### **Properties of "Effects"**

Now that we have seen the various ways to model "effects," let's talk about the properties of effects and the tradeoffs one makes when committing to either of these approaches.

Read through the first section of Monad transformers, free monads, mtl, laws and a new approach.

We will explain and illustrate what is meant by each property

#### **Extensible**

While the above effects (e.g. MonadState) are pretty obvious, we might one day wish to define a new effect for handling authentication, MonadAuthenticate. If a function that uses state-manipulation effects via MonadState now needs to add the "authenticate" effect, it should be easy to add that and not require us to refactor a whole lot of code.

In other words, going from this function ...

```
f:: forall m.
    MonadState m =>
    InitialState -> m OutputtedState
... to this function...
f' :: forall m.
```

```
MonadState m =>
MonadAuthenticate m =>
InitialState ->
m OutputtedState
```

... should be easy/quick.

#### **Composable**

Composable means using two or more effects in the same function should be lawful.

#### For example

- set ting some state to 5 and later get ting that state should return 5, not 8, no matter what other effects or computations we run in-between those two calls (e.g. printing some value to the console).
- catch ing an error cannot occur unless an error was thrown prior to it.
- ask ing for a configuration value should return the same value each time no matter what happens before/after that call.

#### **Efficient**

This can be understood a few different ways:

- During runtime: the program runs fast (time-efficient) or uses as little memory as possible (space-efficient)
- During compile-time: the compiler runs fast (time-efficient) or uses as little memory as possible (space-efficient)

I believe the author is referring to the first idea (runtime).

#### **Terse**

We shouldn't have to write boilerplate-y code

For example, we shouldn't have to write

- many lines of code to do one thing
- many types to do one thing

#### **Inferrable**

Related to Terse, we shouldn't have to annotate code (e.g. wrapping value with its type annotation: (value :: { name :: String, age :: Int }) )

### **Key Articles**

Now might be a good time to re-read these articles:

- Monad transformers, free monads, mtl, laws and a new approach
- Three Layer Haskell Cake
- the ReaderT Design Pattern
- the Capability Design Pattern
- A Modern Architecture for FP: Part 1
- A Modern Architecture for FP: Part 2
- Freer Monads, More Better Programs
- Freer doesn't come for free

### **Evaluating MTL and Free**

Alexis King recently recorded a very clear explanation of some of the tradeoffs of effect systems. While her video is in Haskell, the implications are worth thinking about in PureScript:

• Alexis King - "Effects for Less" @ ZuriHac 2020

Let's now use the above post's criteria for each approach. The following is my guess at where things stand^^:

	Extensible?	Composable?	Efficient?	Terse?	Inferrab
MTL	Yes via the Capability Design Pattern	Yes via newtyped monadic functions?	?	~ n^2 instances for Monad[Word ] boilerplate capability type classes	?
Free/ Run	Yes via open rows and VariantF	Yes via embedded domain- specific languages	?	boilerplate smart constructors	?

^^ Note: The MTL vs Free debate is pretty heated in FP communities.

In the Hello World/Games folder, we'll implement the same programs for each concept mentioned above as more concrete examples.

### **Reducing Boilerplate via Atom's Snippets Feature**

If you are using Atom as your editor, you can use snippets to help reduce the boilerplate required to write these things.

- 1. Open the preferences tab ( CTRL+, )
- 2. Click on the "Open the Config Folder" button
- 3. Open the snippets.cson file
- 4. Copy and paste the below content into the file

```
'.source.purescript':
  'Run Type':
    'prefix': 'runType'
    'body': """
      data ${1:Type_Name} a
        = -- create data constructors via a different snippet
      derive instance Functor ${1:Type_Name}
      _${2:symbol} = Proxy :: Proxy "${2:symbol}"
     type \{3:ALL\_CAPS\_TYPE\_NAME\} r = \{\{2:symbol\}\} :: \{1:symbol\} :: \{1:symbol\} r
    11 11 11
  'Run Smart Constructor':
    'prefix': 'runSmartConstructor'
    'body': """
      ${1:DataConstructor} ${2:Args}
      ${3:smartConstructorName} :: forall r. ${4:args} Run (${5:Type_Alias} +
r) ${6:Return_Type}
      ${3:smartConstructorName} ${7:valueArgs} = lift _${8:symbol} $
${1:Data_Constructor} ${7:valueArgs} ${9:identityOrUnit}
    11 11 11
  'ReaderT Design Pattern (AppM)':
    'prefix': 'appM_via_ReaderT'
    'body': """
      newtype AppM a = AppM (ReaderT Env Aff a)
      runAppM :: Env -> AppM ~> Aff
      runAppM env (AppM m) = runReaderT m env
      instance TypeEquals e Env => MonadAsk e AppM where
        ask = AppM $ asks from
      derive newtype instance Functor AppM
      derive newtype instance Apply AppM
      derive newtype instance Applicative AppM
      derive newtype instance Bind AppM
      derive newtype instance Monad AppM
      derive newtype instance MonadEffect AppM
      derive newtype instance MonadAff AppM
  'ReaderT Design Pattern (TestM)':
    'prefix': 'testM_via_ReaderT'
    'body': """
      newtype TestM a = TestM (ReaderT Env Identity a)
      runTestM :: Env -> TestM a -> a
      runTestM env (TestM program) =
```

```
let (Identity a) = runReaderT program env
in a

instance TypeEquals e Env => MonadAsk e TestM where
   ask = TestM $ asks from

derive newtype instance Functor TestM
derive newtype instance Apply TestM
derive newtype instance Applicative TestM
derive newtype instance Bind TestM
derive newtype instance Monad TestM
```

## **Type-Level Programming**

This folder assumes you have read through and are familiar with Type Level Syntax. If you aren't, go and read through that first.

### **Example**

#### **A Problem**

Taken from this SO answer (last paragraph), type-level programming can be used to:

restrict certain behavior at the value-level, manage resource finalization, or store more information about data-structures.

Let's explain a problem that highlights the third point: storing more information about datastructures. Below is one problem that occurs at the runtime that can be fixed with type-level programming.

An Array is a very fast data structure, but it's problematic because we never know its exact size at compile-time. In other words, we don't get a compiler error if we reference an invalid spot in the array, and we won't know about the bug until it occurs when running the program. In short, this kind of function will always be a partial function.

Here's an example in code. If the array is empty or has fewer than n-1 elements, the function can only throw an error when we try to reference a non-existent element at index n. If the array has n-1 or more elements, it can return that element.

```
elemAtIndex :: forall a. Partial => Int -> Array a -> a
elemAtIndex idx [] = Partial.crash "cannot get " <> show idx <> "th element of
an empty array"
elemAtIndex index fullArray = unsafePartial $ unsafeIndex fullArray index
```

#### **A Solution**

What if we could modify the type of Array, so that it included the size of that array at compile-time? Then, the type-checker could ensure that the "elemAtIndex" function

described above only receives correct arguments (i.e. specific types) that make the function "total," meaning the function will always return a valid output and never throw an error. If it receives an invalid argument, it results in a compiler error and we can fix the bug before shipping the code to customers.

```
-- This entire block of code is pseduo syntax and does not actually work!
-- Use it only to get the idea and don't hold onto any of the syntax used here.
elemAtIndex:: forall a n. HasElemAtIndex n => n -> IndexedArray n a
elemAtIndex index array = -- implementation

elemAtIndex 3 (IndexedArray 3 [0, 1, 2, 3]) -- 3
elemAtIndex 3 (IndexedArray 3 [0, 1]) -- compiler error!
elemAtIndex 0 (IndexedArray Empty []) -- compiler error!
```

This is exactly what the library sized-vectors does.

### **Issues with Type-Level Programming**

- When using type-level programming, the compiler has to do more work. Thus, it will increase the time it takes to compile your program.
- Creating a type-level value for a kind can get really tedious and boilerplatey. Either
  reuse ones that exist in libraries or publish your own library for the benefit of the
  entire community.

### **Other Learning Sources**

Consider purchasing the Thinking with Types book mentioned in ROOT\_FOLDER/Syntax/Type-Level Programming Syntax/ReadMe.md

### **Compilation Instructions**

```
spago run -m TLP.SymbolExample.Proxy
spago run -m TLP.SymbolExample.VTAs
spago run -m TLP.IntegerExample.Proxy
spago run -m TLP.IntegerExample.VTAs
spago run -m TLP.RowExample.Proxy
spago run -m TLP.RowExample.VTAs
```

## **Understanding a Type-Level Function**

### **Tips on Rows**

Rows in particular are where type-level programming gets interesting and fun.

First, there is a long and short way to write Record rowType:

```
long :: forall r. Record r
short :: forall r. { | r }
```

Since the left part of  $\{ \mid r \}$  does not contain any rows, this reduces to Record r.

Second, there is syntax sugar via RowApply / + for adding additional rows:

```
type EmptyRow = ()
type ClosedRow1 = (a :: Int)
type OpenRow1 r = (b :: String | r)
type OpenRow2 r = (OpenRow1 + r)
type ClosedRow2 = (OpenRow2 + ClosedRow1)
type MixedRow r = (a :: Int | OpenRow1 + r)

type Row1 r = (x :: Int | r)
type Row2 r = (y :: Int | r)
type Row3 r = (z :: Int | r)
type Row3 r = (z :: Int | r)
type SuperMixedOpenRow r = (a :: Int, b :: Int, c :: Int | Row1 + Row2 + Row3 + r)
```

Third, we sometimes need to close the "open" row type by using the empty row, ():

```
-- Example 1
type Row1 r = (a :: Int | r)
type Row2 r = (b :: Int | r)
type Row3 r = (c :: Int | r)
type Rows1To3__Open r = (Row1 + Row2 + Row3 + r )
type Rows1To3__Closed = (Row1 + Row2 + Row3 + ())
-- Example 2
type OpenRecord r = Record (name :: String, age :: Int | r)
-- If we want to compute something using OpenRecord,
-- we might need to close it by making the `r` an empty row:
finalEval :: OpenRecord () -> Output
```

Rows can make our life easier in a number of ways. We'll see some examples before finishing this "Hello World" folder.

### **Reading a Type-Level Function**

- 1. Ignore the type class constraints and look solely at the function's arguments. Now you know what the starting "inputs" and final "outputs" of the function are.
- 2. Ignore the IsKind (e.g. IsSymbol / IsOrdering) type class constraints and look at the type class constraints that actually compute something (e.g. Add, Append, Compare, Cons, etc.) Now you have an understanding of what the type-level function does.
- 3. Look at the IsKind constraints and any Proxy types to see how the function type checks.

For example, look at Prim.Row to understand the relationships used below and then use the above guidelines to understand this type-level computation:

```
f:: forall row1 row2 row1And2 row1And2PlusAge nubbedRow1And2PlusAge finalRow.
    Union row1 row2 row1And2 =>
    Cons "age" Int row1And2 row1And2PlusAge =>
    Nub row1And2PlusAge nubbedRow1And2PlusAge =>
    Union nubbedRow1And2PlusAge (otherField :: String) finalRow =>
    RProxy row1 -> RProxy row2 -> RProxy finalRow
    f _ _ = RProxy

What is finalRow when row1 is (name :: String, age :: Int) and row2 is (pets :: Array Pet)?
```

### **Writing a Type-Level Function**

There are generally five stages when writing a type-level expression:

- 1. Write the needed type-level function's type signature without any proxies, type class constraints, forall syntax, etc.
- 2. Add constraints to "compute" specific values in the type-level expression
- 3. Wrap the types in their Proxy types where needed
- 4. Add the forall syntax
- 5. Write the value-level code that makes it work/compile
  - add IsKind constraints when needed

use unsafeCoerce when needed (explained more in next section)

For example, let's say we were trying to write a simple expression using Symbol. Our goal is to append two symbols together. The following code block demonstrates the process one might go through in writing the function:

```
-- we want to append two symbols together into one
-- It's the type-level expression of: "some string" <> "another string"
-- given this type-level relationship:
class Append (left :: Symbol) (right :: Symbol) (appended :: Symbol)
  | left right -> appended
  , right appended -> left
  , left appended -> right
-- 1. Write the function's type signature
combineSymbol :: left -> right -> combination
combineSymbol l r = -- TODO
-- 2. Add the type class constraints to compute type-level values
combineSymbol :: Append left right combination
              => left -> right -> combination
combineSymbol l r = -- TODO
-- 3. Add in the `Proxy` types
combineSymbol :: Append left right combination
              => Proxy left -> Proxy right -> Proxy combination
combineSymbol l r = -- TODO
-- 4. Add the `forall` syntax
combineSymbol :: forall left right combination
               . Append left right combination
              => Proxy left -> Proxy right -> Proxy combination
combineSymbol l r = -- TODO
-- 5. Implement the value-level code
combineSymbol :: forall left right combination
               . Append left right combination
              => Proxy left -> Proxy right -> Proxy combination
combineSymbol _ _ = Proxy
```

#### **UnsafeCoerce**

In a Javascript backend, unsafeCoerce is just the identity function. This is sometimes the only way to get type-level expressions to compile/work in certain cases; however, things can also go wrong if one uses this incorrectly, so any code should be proven to work via tests.

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

For example, the library, purescript-variant, uses unsafeCoerce to coerce a runtime representation type to a more user-friendly compile-time type as seen here:

- VariantRep
- Variant and two functions
- the on function

# **01-Proxy.purs**

```
-- This file uses Proxy arguments in its examples
module TLP.SymbolExample.Proxy where
import Prelude
import Data.Tuple(Tuple(...))
import Data.Symbol (class IsSymbol, reflectSymbol)
import Data.Reflectable (class Reflectable, reflectType)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Prim.Symbol as Symbol
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(..))
-- Note: the `Data.Symbol` imports will likely be removed
-- and replaced with `Data.Reflectable` imports in PureScript `0.16.0`.
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  printAppend
  printCons
  printCompare
--- Append ---
apple :: Proxy "apple"
apple = Proxy
app :: Proxy "app"
app = Proxy
le :: Proxy "le"
le = Proxy
combine :: forall l r both
         . Symbol. Append l r both
        => Proxy l -> Proxy r -> Proxy both
combine _ _ = Proxy
prefix :: forall prefix suffix string
        . Symbol. Append prefix suffix string
       => Proxy string -> Proxy suffix -> Proxy prefix
prefix _ _ = Proxy
suffix :: forall prefix suffix string

    Symbol.Append prefix suffix string

       => Proxy string -> Proxy prefix -> Proxy suffix
suffix _ _ = Proxy
printAppend :: Effect Unit
printAppend = do
    printHeader "Append"
    printSymbol "combine: " $ combine apple apple
    printSymbol "suffix: " $ suffix apple app
```

```
printSymbol "prefix: " $ prefix apple le
--- Cons ---
symbolHead :: forall head tail string
            . Symbol. Cons head tail string
           => Proxy string -> Proxy head
symbolHead _ = Proxy
symbolTail :: forall head tail string
            . Symbol.Cons head tail string
           => Proxy string -> Proxy tail
symbolTail _ = Proxy
symbolHeadTail :: forall head tail string
               . Symbol.Cons head tail string
               => Proxy string -> Tuple (Proxy head) (Proxy tail)
symbolHeadTail _ = Tuple Proxy Proxy
appleHead :: Proxy "a"
appleHead = Proxy
appleTail :: Proxy "pple"
appleTail = Proxy
showHeadTail :: forall head tail

    IsSymbol head

             => IsSymbol tail
             => Tuple (Proxy head) (Proxy tail) -> String
showHeadTail (Tuple h t) =
  "(" <> reflectSymbol h <> ", " <> reflectSymbol t <> ")"
symbolCons :: forall head tail string
            . Symbol.Cons head tail string
           => Proxy head -> Proxy tail -> Proxy string
symbolCons _ _ = Proxy
printCons :: Effect Unit
printCons = do
  printHeader "Cons"
  printSymbol "head: " $ symbolHead apple
  printSymbol "tail: " $ symbolTail apple
  printSymbol "cons: " $ symbolCons appleHead appleTail
  log $ "head tail: " <> (showHeadTail $ symbolHeadTail apple)
--- Compare ---
banana :: Proxy "banana"
banana = Proxy
symbolCompare :: forall left right ordering
               . Symbol.Compare left right ordering
              => Proxy left -> Proxy right -> Proxy ordering
```

```
symbolCompare _ _ = Proxy
printCompare :: Effect Unit
printCompare = do
  printHeader "Compare"
  printOrdering "EQ: " $ symbolCompare apple apple
  printOrdering "LT: " $ symbolCompare apple banana
  printOrdering "GT: " $ symbolCompare banana apple
--- Reflectable ---
-- toValueLevel
-- :: forall sym
-- . Data.Reflectable i String
-- => Proxy sym
-- -> String
-- toValueLevel = reflectType
printReflectable :: Effect Unit
printReflectable = do
  printHeader "Reflectable"
  log $ "apple: " <> reflectType apple
 log $ "banana: " <> reflectType banana
_____
printHeader :: String -> Effect Unit
printHeader s = log $ "=== " <> s <> " ==="
printOrdering :: forall a. Reflectable a Ordering => String -> Proxy a ->
Effect Unit
printOrdering subhead ord = printLine subhead $ show $ reflectType ord
printSymbol :: forall a. Reflectable a String => String -> Proxy a -> Effect
Unit
printSymbol subhead sym = printLine subhead $ reflectType sym
printLine :: String -> String -> Effect Unit
printLine s computation = log $ s <> computation
```

## 02-VTAs.purs

```
-- This file uses Visible Type Applications in its examples
module TLP.SymbolExample.VTAs where
import Prelude
import Data.Reflectable (class Reflectable, reflectType)
import Data.Symbol (class IsSymbol, reflectSymbol)
import Data.Tuple (Tuple(...))
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Prim.Ordering as 0
import Prim.Symbol as Symbol
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
-- Note: `Data.Reflectable` still uses Proxy arguments.
-- It should be defined as
     class Reflectable t v | t -> v where
       reflectType :: v
-- This will be fixed in the PureScript 0.16.0 ecosystem update.
-- So for now, we'll define our own type class to show how things would work.
class Reflect :: forall k. k -> Type -> Constraint
class Reflect ty val | ty -> val where
  reflectTy :: val
instance (Reflectable ty val) => Reflect ty val where
  reflectTy = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy ty)
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  printAppend
  printCons
  printCompare
--- Append ---
combine :: forall @l @r both
         . Symbol. Append l r both
        => Reflect both String
        => String
combine = reflectTy @both
prefix :: forall @string @suffix prefix
        . Symbol. Append prefix suffix string
       => Reflect prefix String
       => String
prefix = reflectTy @prefix
suffix :: forall @string @prefix suffix
       . Symbol. Append prefix suffix string
       => Reflect suffix String
```

```
=> String
suffix = reflectTy @suffix
printAppend :: Effect Unit
printAppend = do
    printHeader "Append"
    printLine "combine: " $ combine @"apple" @"apple"
    printLine "suffix: " $ suffix @"apple" @"app"
    printLine "prefix: " $ prefix @"apple" @"le"
--- Cons ---
symbolHead :: forall @string head tail

    Symbol.Cons head tail string

          => Reflect head String
           => String
symbolHead = reflectTy @head
symbolTail :: forall @string head tail
            . Symbol.Cons head tail string
          => Reflect tail String
           => String
symbolTail = reflectTy @tail
symbolCons :: forall @head @tail string
            . Symbol.Cons head tail string
           => Reflect string String
           => String
symbolCons = reflectTy @string
printCons :: Effect Unit
printCons = do
  printHeader "Cons"
  printLine "head: " $ symbolHead @"apple"
  printLine "tail: " $ symbolTail @"apple"
 printLine "cons: " $ symbolCons @"a" @"pple"
--- Compare ---
banana :: Proxy "banana"
banana = Proxy
symbolCompare :: forall @left @right ordering
              . Symbol.Compare left right ordering
              => Reflect ordering Ordering
              => Ordering
symbolCompare = reflectTy @ordering
printCompare :: Effect Unit
printCompare = do
  printHeader "Compare"
  printOrdering "EQ: " $ symbolCompare @"apple" @"apple"
  printOrdering "LT: " $ symbolCompare @"apple" @"banana"
```

```
printOrdering "GT: " $ symbolCompare @"banana" @"apple"
--- Reflectable ---
printReflectable :: Effect Unit
printReflectable = do
  printHeader "Reflectable"
  log $ "apple: " <> reflectTy @"apple"
 log $ "banana: " <> reflectTy @"banana"
_____
printHeader :: String -> Effect Unit
printHeader s = log $ "=== " <> s <> " ==="
printOrdering :: String -> Ordering -> Effect Unit
printOrdering subhead ord = printLine subhead case ord of
 LT -> "LT"
 GT -> "GT"
 EQ -> "EQ"
printLine :: String -> String -> Effect Unit
printLine s computation = log $ s <> computation
```

# **01-Proxy.purs**

```
module TLP.IntegerExample.Proxy where
import Prelude
import Data.Reflectable (class Reflectable, reflectType)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Prim. Int as Int
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  printAddSubtract
  printMul
  printToString
-- Type-Level Values
_{neg1} = Proxy :: Proxy (-1)
_{0} = Proxy :: Proxy 0
_1 = Proxy :: Proxy 1
_2 = Proxy :: Proxy 2
_3 = Proxy :: Proxy 3
1_{000}000 = Proxy :: Proxy 1_{000}000
--- Add ---
intAdd
  :: forall l r sum
  . Int.Add l r sum
 => Proxy l
  -> Proxy r
  -> Proxy sum
intAdd _ _ = Proxy
intSubtract
  :: forall answer value total
  . Int.Add answer value total
  => Proxy total
  -> Proxy value
  -> Proxy answer
intSubtract _ _ = Proxy
printAddSubtract :: Effect Unit
printAddSubtract = do
    printHeader "Add/Subtract"
    printInt "0 + 1: "
                             $ intAdd _0 _1
    printInt "-1 + 1: " $ intAdd _neg1 _1
    printInt "0 - 1: " $ intSubtract _0 _1
--- Mul ---
intMultiply
```

```
:: forall l r sum
  . Int.Mul l r sum
 => Proxy l
 -> Proxy r
 -> Proxy sum
intMultiply _ _ = Proxy
printMul :: Effect Unit
printMul = do
  printHeader "Mul"
  printInt "1 * 1: " $ intMultiply _1 _1
  printInt "2 * 1_000_000: " $ intMultiply _2 _1_000_000
  printInt "3 * 2: " $ intMultiply _3 _2
--- Compare ---
intCompare
 :: forall l r sum
  . Int.Compare l r sum
 => Proxy l
 -> Proxy r
 -> Proxy sum
intCompare _ _ = Proxy
printCompare :: Effect Unit
printCompare = do
 printHeader "Compare"
  printOrdering "EQ: " $ intCompare _0 _0
  printOrdering "LT: " $ intCompare _0 _1
  printOrdering "GT: " $ intCompare _1 _0
--- ToString ---
toTLString
  :: forall i sym
  . Int.ToString i sym
 => Proxy i
 -> Proxy sym
toTLString _ = Proxy
printToString :: Effect Unit
printToString = do
  printHeader "ToString"
  printLine "neg1: " $ reflectType $ toTLString _neg1
  printLine "0: " $ reflectType $ toTLString _0
  printLine "1: " $ reflectType $ toTLString _1
  printLine "1,000,000: " $ reflectType $ toTLString _1_000_000
--- Reflectable ---
-- toValueLevel
-- :: forall i
    . Data.Reflectable i Int
```

```
-- => Proxy i
-- -> Int
-- toValueLevel = reflectType
_maxReflectableInt = Proxy :: Proxy 2147483647
_minReflectableInt = Proxy :: Proxy (-2147483648)
printReflectable :: Effect Unit
printReflectable = do
  printHeader "Reflectable"
  log $ "neg1: " <> (show $ reflectType _neg1)
  log $ "0: " <> (show $ reflectType _0)
  log $ "1: " <> (show $ reflectType _1)
  log $ "1,000,000: " <> (show $ reflectType _1_000_000)
  log ""
  log $ "Type-Level Int values outside the JavaScript range for an integers "
      <> " will not be solved by the compiler"
  log $ "(max) 2147483647: " <> (show $ reflectType _maxReflectableInt)
  log $ "(min) -2147483648: " <> (show $ reflectType _minReflectableInt)
  -- These two examples will fail to compile since both values are outside the
range of JavaScript integer.
  -- log $ " 2147483648: " <> show $ reflectType $ intAdd _maxReflectableInt _1
  -- log $ "-2147483649: " <> show $ reflectType $ intSubtract
_maxReflectableInt _1
  -- See `purescript-bigints` to reflect the integer to a BigInt as a
workaround.
printHeader :: String -> Effect Unit
printHeader s = log $ "=== " <> s <> " ==="
printOrdering :: forall o. Reflectable o Ordering => String -> Proxy o ->
Effect Unit
printOrdering subhead ord = printLine subhead $ show $ reflectType ord
printInt :: forall i. Reflectable i Int => String -> Proxy i -> Effect Unit
printInt subhead int = printLine subhead $ show $ reflectType int
printLine :: String -> String -> Effect Unit
printLine s computation = log $ s <> computation
```

## 02-VTAs.purs

```
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import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
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import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
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  printMul
  printToString
--- Add ---
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  :: forall @l @r sum
  . Int.Add l r sum
  => Reflect sum Int
  => Int
intAdd = reflectTy @sum
intSubtract
  :: forall @total @value answer
   . Int.Add answer value total
  => Reflect answer Int
  => Int
intSubtract = reflectTy @answer
printAddSubtract :: Effect Unit
printAddSubtract = do
    printHeader "Add/Subtract"
    printInt " 0 + 1: " $ intAdd @0 @1
    printInt "-1 + 1: " $ intAdd @(-1) @1
```

```
printInt " 0 - 1: " $ intSubtract @0 @1
--- Mul ---
intMultiply
  :: forall @l @r total
  . Int.Mul l r total
  => Reflect total Int
 => Int
intMultiply = reflectTy @total
printMul :: Effect Unit
printMul = do
  printHeader "Mul"
  printInt "1 * 1: " $ intMultiply @1 @1
  printInt "2 * 1_000_000: " $ intMultiply @2 @1_000_000
  printInt "3 * 2: " $ intMultiply @3 @2
--- Compare ---
intCompare
  :: forall @l @r ord
  . Int.Compare l r ord
 => Reflect ord Ordering
  => Ordering
intCompare = reflectTy @ord
printCompare :: Effect Unit
printCompare = do
  printHeader "Compare"
  printOrdering "EQ: " $ intCompare @0 @0
  printOrdering "LT: " $ intCompare @0 @1
  printOrdering "GT: " $ intCompare @1 @0
--- ToString ---
toTLString
  :: forall @i sym
  . Int.ToString i sym
 => Reflect sym String
  => String
toTLString = reflectTy @sym
printToString :: Effect Unit
printToString = do
  printHeader "ToString"
 printLine " -1: " $ toTLString @(-1)
                   0: " $ toTLString @0
  printLine "
 printLine " 1: " $ toTLString @1
  printLine "1,000,000: " $ toTLString @1_000_000
--- Reflectable ---
```

```
type MaxReflectableInt = 2147483647
type MinReflectableInt = (-2147483648)
printReflectable :: Effect Unit
printReflectable = do
  printHeader "Reflectable"
  log $ "neg1: " <> (show $ reflectTy @(-1))
  log $ "0: " <> (show $ reflectTy @0)
  log $ "1: " <> (show $ reflectTy @1)
  log $ "1,000,000: " <> (show $ reflectTy @1_000_000)
  log ""
  log $ "Type-Level Int values outside the JavaScript range for an integers "
      <> " will not be solved by the compiler"
  log $ "(max) 2147483647: " <> (show $ reflectTy @MaxReflectableInt)
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range of JavaScript integer.
  -- log $ " 2147483648: " $ intAdd @MaxReflectableInt @1
  -- log $ "-2147483649: " $ intSubtract @MaxReflectableInt @1
  -- See `purescript-bigints` to reflect the integer to a BigInt as a
workaround.
printHeader :: String -> Effect Unit
printHeader s = log $ "=== " <> s <> " ==="
printOrdering :: String -> Ordering -> Effect Unit
printOrdering subhead ord = printLine subhead case ord of
  LT -> "LT"
  GT -> "GT"
  EQ -> "EQ"
printInt :: String -> Int -> Effect Unit
printInt subhead int = printLine subhead $ show int
printLine :: String -> String -> Effect Unit
printLine s computation = log $ s <> computation
```

# **01-Proxy.purs**

```
module TLP.RowExample.Proxy where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Prim.Row (class Union, class Nub, class Cons)
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(..))
{-
`f` does the following type-level computation:
    - combine two rows using union
    - add another field using cons (age :: Int)
    - remove a duplicate field using Nub
    - union the result with something else
-}
f:: forall row1 row2 row1And2 row1And2PlusAge nubbedRow1And2PlusAge finalRow.
  Union row1 row2 row1And2 =>
  Cons "age" Int row1And2 row1And2PlusAge =>
  Nub row1And2PlusAge nubbedRow1And2PlusAge =>
  Union nubbedRow1And2PlusAge (otherField :: String) finalRow =>
  Proxy row1 -> Proxy row2 -> Proxy finalRow
f _ = Proxy
first :: Proxy (name :: String, age :: Int)
first = Proxy
second :: Proxy (pets :: Array Pet)
second = Proxy
-- A function that can change what the outputted Record type must be
-- based on the row type it receives.
g :: forall finalRow a. Proxy finalRow -> a -> (a -> Record finalRow) -> Record
finalRow
g _ a function = function a
-- Same thing as `g` but uses shorter type names and the shorter Record syntax
z:: forall r a. Proxy r -> a -> (a -> { | r } ) -> { | r
z _ a function = function a
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  -- These examples show that the type of the returned record differs
  -- depending on what the two rows we pass to `f` are
  log $ show $ g (f first second) 5
    (\five -> { age: five, name: "John", pets: [Pet], otherField: "other"})
  log $ show $ g (f first (Proxy :: Proxy (singlePet :: Pet))) 5
    (\five -> { age: five, name: "John", singlePet: Pet, otherField: "other"})
  -- These examples show that the output is the same regardless of
```

```
-- whether we use the short/long Record syntax
-- in our function's type signature.
log $ show $ g (Proxy :: Proxy (name :: String)) 5 (\five -> { name: "a " <> show five })
log $ show $ z (Proxy :: Proxy (name :: String)) 5 (\five -> { name: "a " <> show five })
-- needed to compile

data Pet = Pet
instance Show Pet where
show _ = "Pet"
```

# 02-VTAs.purs

```
module TLP.RowExample.VTAs where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Prim.Row (class Union, class Nub, class Cons)
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
type First = (name :: String, age :: Int)
type Second = (pets :: Array Pet)
{-
A function that can change what the outputted Record type must be
based on the row type it receives.
`g` does the following type-level computation:
    - combine two rows using union
    - add another field using cons (age :: Int)
    - remove a duplicate field using Nub
    - union the result with `(otherField :: String`)
-}
  :: forall a @row1 @row2 row1And2 row1And2PlusAge nubbedRow1And2PlusAge
finalRow
  . Union row1 row2 row1And2
  => Cons "age" Int row1And2 row1And2PlusAge
  => Nub row1And2PlusAge nubbedRow1And2PlusAge
  => Union nubbedRow1And2PlusAge (otherField :: String) finalRow
  => a
  -> (a -> Record finalRow)
  -> Record finalRow
g a function = function a
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  -- These examples show that the type of the returned record differs
  -- depending on what the two rows we pass to `g` are
  log $ show $ g @First @Second
    (\five -> { age: five, name: "John", pets: [Pet], otherField: "other"})
  log $ show $ g @First @(singlePet :: Pet) 5
    (\five -> { age: five, name: "John", singlePet: Pet, otherField: "other"})
-- needed to compile
data Pet = Pet
instance Show Pet where
  show _ = "Pet"
```

# **01-Proxy.purs**

```
-- This is the same file as the next one but specified to use Proxy arguments.
module TLP.RowList.Simple.Proxy where
import Prelude
import Data.Array as Array
import Data.List.Types (List(...))
import Prim.RowList as RL
import Data.Reflectable (class Reflectable, reflectType)
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(..))
{-
Let's say we want to produce a `Show` instance that
only shows the keys of a record. Since a `Show` instance
already exists for all Records, we'll need to define
a newtype and its `Show` instance to achieve this desired behavior.
-}
newtype ShowKeysOnly :: Row Type -> Type
newtype ShowKeysOnly r = ShowKeysOnly (Record r)
{-
Once implemented, our code should work like this in the REPL:
> show $ ShowKeysOnly { a: 4, b: 6, c: "apple", z: false }
["a", "b", "c", "z"]
How would we implement the `Show` instance for `ShowKeysOnly`?
We implement it by defining another type class called `ShowKeysInRecord`
that computes that information for all records, not just records wrapped
in the `ShowKeysOnly`. Since this type class must work for all records,
it cannot know anything about the record itself. This type class
(and any other like it) will always use `RowList` to accomplish its goal.
`RowList` is almost always used to implement anything that involves type
classes and operating on the keys/values of any record that we know nothing of.
A `RowList` functions like a type-level list but one that is specialized to
work with row kinds.
A `RowList` kind has two type-level values:
Nil (the base case)
- Cons (the recursive case)
At its most basic idea, it allows you to do a `Data.Foldable.foldl`-like
computation on a record where the "next" element is the next key/field in
that record.
Let's remember what a fold-left looks like by using List.
```

```
data List a
  = Nil
  | Cons a (List a)
Read the below function as
    1. a function that takes the previous accumulated value and the next
        element in the list and produces the next accumulated value
    2. the initial accumulated value
    3. a list of elements
  Produce the final accumulated value
-}
foldLeft
  :: forall element accumulatedValue
   . (accumulatedValue -> element -> accumulatedValue)
  -> accumulatedValue
  -> List element
  -> accumulatedValue
foldLeft _ finalAccumulatedValue Nil =
  -- base case: we're done
  finalAccumulatedValue
foldLeft f initialOrNextAccumulatedValue (Cons nextElement restOfList) =
  -- recursive case: do one step and continue
    nextAccumulatedValue = f initialOrNextAccumulatedValue nextElement
  in foldLeft f nextAccumulatedValue restOfList
The first step we need to do is convert a row kind (i.e. the `r` in `{ | r }`
or `Record r`) into a list-like structure, `RowList`. This is done by using
the type class, `RL.RowToList`, a type-level function.
Once we have a `RowList`, we can simulate a fold-left at the type-level
by defining two instances, one for each value of `RowList`.
1. The first instance corresponds to the `Nil` case above: it ends
    the recursiong and returns the final version of the accumulated value.
    Most of the time, this instance is very very boring.
2. The second instance corresponds to the `Cons` case above: it computes
    the next computation and adds it to the accumulated value and then
    continues the recursion. Since this computes something using type-level
    information, there are numerous other type class constraints that
    enable such computations to occur at runtime.
Great. Let's now show an example.
We'll first define the `ShowKeysInRowList` type class. Since type classes
infer what their types are based on runtime values, we need to include a
`Proxy` runtime value in the type signature of `buildKeyList`. Otherwise,
the compiler will hav eno idea which `rowList` we're referring to.
                                                                              -}
class ShowKeysInRowList :: RL.RowList Type -> Constraint
class ShowKeysInRowList rowList where
  buildKeyList :: Proxy rowList -> List String
```

```
-- As I said before, the base case is quite boring. It just ends the recursion.
instance ShowKeysInRowList RL.Nil where
  buildKeyList :: Proxy (RL.Nil) -> List String
  buildKeyList _ = Nil
{-
The recursive case is more interesting. First, write the initial instance
boilerplate:
instance ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList :: Proxy (RL.Cons sym k rest) -> List String
  buildKeyList _ =
Second, let's implement this instance. Since the type-level
`RowList` is a `Cons`, our value-level `List` should also be a `Cons`
instance ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList :: Proxy (RL.Cons sym k rest) -> List String
  buildKeyList _ = Cons key remainingKeys
    where
    key = ???
    remainingKeys = ???
Third, we'll compute what `key` should be. We know that a `Symbol`,
a type-level `String`, can be converted into a value-level `String`
via `reflectType` as defined by the `Reflectable` type class. So,
let's add the `Reflectable` class as a constraint to expose `reflectType`
and then use that function to produce our key:
instance (Reflectable sym String) => ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest)
  buildKeyList _ = Cons key remainingKeys
    where
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = ???
Fourth, we need to compute what the remaining keys are. Wait, isn't that
what we're already doing? Let's use `buildKeyList` on the rest of the
rows. Since `buildKeyList` is defined by `ShowKeysInRowList`, we need
to add that constraint, so we can use that function:
instance (Reflectable sym String, ShowKeysInRowList rest)
  => ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList _ = Cons key remainingKeys
    where
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = buildKeyList (Proxy :: Proxy rest)
And that's it! We've now defined our type class instance. You'll notice
that the constraints get a bit long. So, the final version below
will use indentation to make it easier to read (at least in my opinion):
-}
```

```
instance (
  Reflectable sym String,
  ShowKeysInRowList rest
  ) => ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList _ = Cons key remainingKeys
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = buildKeyList (Proxy :: Proxy rest)
-- Let's show all three parts together now for easier readability.
-- We'll add a `2` so that the code still compiles:
class ShowKeysInRowList2 :: RL.RowList Type -> Constraint
class ShowKeysInRowList2 rowList where
  buildKeyList2 :: Proxy rowList -> List String
instance ShowKeysInRowList2 RL.Nil where
  buildKeyList2 :: Proxy (RL.Nil) -> List String
  buildKeyList2 _ = Nil
instance (
  Reflectable sym String,
  ShowKeysInRowList2 rest
  ) => ShowKeysInRowList2 (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList2 _ = Cons key remainingKeys
    where
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = buildKeyList2 (Proxy :: Proxy rest)
{-
To actually implement our `Show` instance, we'll add the constraints
needed to compute these values
-}
instance (
  -- 1. First convert the `recordRows` to a `RowList`
  RL.RowToList recordRows rowList,
  -- 2. Then bring `buildKeyList2` into scope
  ShowKeysInRowList2 rowList
  ) => Show (ShowKeysOnly recordRows) where
  show (ShowKeysOnly _rec) =
    -- 4. And convert the `List` into an `Array` and reuse the
          Array's `show` to produce our desired result.
    show $ Array.fromFoldable keyList
    where
    -- 3. Then build the key list
    keyList = buildKeyList2 (Proxy :: Proxy rowList)
{-
Below are a few examples to prove that this works.
Run the following in the REPL to confirm it for yourself:
spago repl
example1
```

```
example2
---
-}
example1 :: ShowKeysOnly ( a :: String, b :: Int, c :: Boolean )
example1 = ShowKeysOnly { a: "", b: 0, c: false }

example2 :: ShowKeysOnly ( rowlists :: String, are :: Int, cool :: Boolean )
example2 = ShowKeysOnly { rowlists: "", are: 0, cool: false }

{-
Did you notice how the output of `example2` is unexpected?
It prints
    ["are","cool","rowlists"]
rather than
    ["rowlists","are","cool"]

It seems like `RowToList` will sort the rows labels before returning them
as a new list.
-}
```

# 02-VTAs.purs

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  :: forall element accumulatedValue
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  let
    nextAccumulatedValue = f initialOrNextAccumulatedValue nextElement
  in foldLeft f nextAccumulatedValue restOfList
{-
The first step we need to do is convert a row kind (i.e. the `r` in `{ | r }`
or `Record r`) into a list-like structure, `RowList`. This is done by using
the type class, `RL.RowToList`, a type-level function.
Once we have a `RowList`, we can simulate a fold-left at the type-level
by defining two instances, one for each value of `RowList`.
1. The first instance corresponds to the `Nil` case above: it ends
    the recursiong and returns the final version of the accumulated value.
    Most of the time, this instance is very very boring.
2. The second instance corresponds to the `Cons` case above: it computes
    the next computation and adds it to the accumulated value and then
    continues the recursion. Since this computes something using type-level
    information, there are numerous other type class constraints that
    enable such computations to occur at runtime.
Great. Let's now show an example.
We'll first define the `ShowKeysInRowList` type class. Since type classes
infer what their types are based on runtime values, we need to include a
`Proxy` runtime value in the type signature of `buildKeyList`. Otherwise,
the compiler will hav eno idea which `rowList` we're referring to.
                                                                              -}
class ShowKeysInRowList :: RL.RowList Type -> Constraint
class ShowKeysInRowList rowList where
```

```
buildKeyList :: List String
-- As I said before, the base case is quite boring. It just ends the recursion.
instance ShowKeysInRowList RL.Nil where
  buildKeyList :: List String
  buildKeyList = Nil
{-
The recursive case is more interesting. First, write the initial instance
boilerplate:
instance ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList :: List String
  buildKeyList =
Second, let's implement this instance. Since the type-level
`RowList` is a `Cons`, our value-level `List` should also be a `Cons`
instance ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList :: List String
  buildKeyList = Cons key remainingKeys
    where
    key = ???
    remainingKeys = ???
Third, we'll compute what `key` should be. We know that a `Symbol`,
a type-level `String`, can be converted into a value-level `String`
via `reflectType` as defined by the `Reflectable` type class. So,
let's add the `Reflectable` class as a constraint to expose `reflectType`
and then use that function to produce our key:
instance (Reflectable sym String) => ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest)
  buildKeyList = Cons key remainingKeys
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = ???
Fourth, we need to compute what the remaining keys are. Wait, isn't that
what we're already doing? Let's use `buildKeyList` on the rest of the
rows. Since `buildKeyList` is defined by `ShowKeysInRowList`, we need
to add that constraint, so we can use that function:
instance (Reflectable sym String, ShowKeysInRowList rest)
  => ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList = Cons key remainingKeys
   where
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = buildKeyList @rest
And that's it! We've now defined our type class instance. You'll notice
that the constraints get a bit long. So, the final version below
will use indentation to make it easier to read (at least in my opinion):
```

```
-}
instance
  ( Reflectable sym String
  , ShowKeysInRowList rest
  ) => ShowKeysInRowList (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList = Cons key remainingKeys
    where
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = buildKeyList @rest
-- Let's show all three parts together now for easier readability.
-- We'll add a `2` so that the code still compiles:
class ShowKeysInRowList2 :: RL.RowList Type -> Constraint
class ShowKeysInRowList2 rowList where
  buildKeyList2 :: List String
instance ShowKeysInRowList2 RL.Nil where
  buildKeyList2 :: List String
  buildKeyList2 = Nil
instance
  ( Reflectable sym String
  , ShowKeysInRowList2 rest
  ) => ShowKeysInRowList2 (RL.Cons sym k rest) where
  buildKeyList2 = Cons key remainingKeys
      -- this would be `reflectType @sym` but the type class
      -- hasn't been updated yet as of this writing.
      key = reflectType (Proxy :: Proxy sym)
      remainingKeys = buildKeyList2 @rest
{-
To actually implement our `Show` instance, we'll add the constraints
needed to compute these values
-}
instance (
  -- 1. First convert the `recordRows` to a `RowList`
  RL.RowToList recordRows rowList,
  -- 2. Then bring `buildKeyList2` into scope
  ShowKeysInRowList2 rowList
  ) => Show (ShowKeysOnly recordRows) where
  show (ShowKeysOnly _rec) =
    -- 4. And convert the `List` into an `Array` and reuse the
          Array's `show` to produce our desired result.
    show $ Array.fromFoldable keyList
    where
    -- 3. Then build the key list
    keyList = buildKeyList2 @rowList
{-
Below are a few examples to prove that this works.
Run the following in the REPL to confirm it for yourself:
```

```
spago repl
example1
example2
-}
example1 :: ShowKeysOnly ( a :: String, b :: Int, c :: Boolean )
example1 = ShowKeysOnly { a: "", b: 0, c: false }
example2 :: ShowKeysOnly ( rowlists :: String, are :: Int, cool :: Boolean )
example2 = ShowKeysOnly { rowlists: "", are: 0, cool: false }
{-
Did you notice how the output of `example2` is unexpected?
It prints
  ["are","cool","rowlists"]
rather than
  ["rowlists", "are", "cool"]
It seems like `RowToList` will sort the rows labels before returning them
as a new list.
-}
```

# **02-Advanced.purs**

```
module TLP.RowList.Advanced where
import Prelude
import Prim.Row as Row
import Prim.RowList as RL
import Prim.Symbol (class Append)
{-
Now that we understand how `RowList`s work, let's use them to
map row kinds. In other words, given some input rows, produce
some output rows that have been modified slightly.
-}
-- Given an input row (and the rowlist produced by `RL.RowToList inputrows
-- produce an output row where each label has an "x" appended to it.
class MapRowsAppendXToLabel :: RL.RowList Type -> Row Type -> Row Type ->
Constraint
class MapRowsAppendXToLabel rowList inputRows outputRows | rowList inputRows ->
outputRows
instance MapRowsAppendXToLabel RL.Nil emptyRow emptyRow
  -- 1. Use Row.Cons to get the rest of the input rows
  Row.Cons sym a remainingInputRows inputRows,
  -- 2. Append an "x" to the original label
  Append sym "x" symWithXAppended,
  -- 3. Use Row.Cons to update the current label for the output rows.
  Row.Cons symWithXAppended a remainingOutputRows outputRows,
  -- 4. Recursively compute the rest of the rows
  MapRowsAppendXToLabel remainingRowList remainingInputRows remainingOutputRows
  ) => MapRowsAppendXToLabel (RL.Cons sym a remainingRowList) inputRows
outputRows
-- | Proves that the 'updated' record is the same as 'original'
-- | record but has an 'x' appended to each label
proof
  :: forall originalRowList original updated
   . RL.RowToList original originalRowList
  => MapRowsAppendXToLabel originalRowList original updated
  => { | original }
  -> { | updated }
  -> Unit
proof _ _ = unit
                                                                             {-
Verify the code compiles via the REPL
spago repl
proof1
proof2
                                                                             -}
```

```
proof1 :: Unit
proof1 =
  proof
    { a : 4, b : "", c : false }
    { ax: 4, bx: "", cx: false }
proof2 :: Unit
proof2 =
  proof
   { rowlist : 4, is : "", cool : false }
    { rowlistx: 4, isx: "", coolx: false }
-- This will fail to compile
-- proof3 :: Unit
-- proof3 =
-- proof
      { rowlist : 4, is : "", cool : false }
       { rowlist : 4, is : "", cool : false }
```

## **Example Comparisons**

The examples in the preceding files demonstrated what using Proxy arguments are like and what using Visible Type Applications (VTAs) are like. Both can be used to achieve the same output of a given computation. The difference is in how.

Proxy arguments are value-level arguments. So, one can define multiple functions, compose them together, and get a final result. VTAs, on the other hand, are not value-level arguments. So, all of the computation one wants to do is often put into the entire function or value where it's used.

However, because VTAs aren't value-level arguments, it also means the type class dictionary overhead can be more easily optimized away. The same can't be said for Proxy arguments.

## **Type-Level Primitives**

In addition to Custom Type Errors, the Prim module has sub modules that are not imported by default. Within these modules, Prim defines a few more things for type-level programming. These type classes' instances are derived by the compiler

## **Types of Relationships**

As explained in the Syntax folder, we use logic programming and unification to compute type-level expressions. To define type-level functions, we define a relationship and the various ways (functional dependencies) that the types can unify. However, there are actually two types of relationships in type-level programming:

- 1. A relationship that can define multiple type-level functions.
- 2. A relationship that can assert that something is true.

The first one is easy to understand and is used frequently. However, we have never mentioned assertion relationships. For some examples, see these type classes:

- Lacks
- Homogenous

In my current understanding, I'd guess that these likely do not appear that often in type-level code, but they may be critical for some use cases.

### **Type-Level Types, Values, and Proxies**

In the below table, "ValueTypeN" was abbreviated to VTN

Value-Level Type	Value-Level Value(s)	Kind Name (Corresponding Type-Level Type)	Kind Values
Ordering	LT GT EQ	Ordering	LT GT EQ
String	"literal string"	Symbol	"literal symbol"
Int	1 (-1)	Int	1 (-1)

Value-Level Type	Value-Level Value(s)	Kind Name (Corresponding Type-Level Type)	Kind Values
Record (closest idea)	Record (keyN :: VTN,)	row kinds	(keyN :: Kind, )
Boolean	true/false	Boolean	True/False
List ( keyN :: VTN, ) (analogy; not real type)	Nil	RowList	Nil
	Cons a (ListR a)		Cons :: Symbol -> Type -> RowList

## **Type-Level Modules**

Rather than explaining things, read through the source code of these modules and you should be able to get a good intuition for how this stuff works. For additional examples, see the Ecosystem folder and check out some of the data structures (e.g. Array, Matrix) that have been augmented with type-level programming.

Kind	Modules	
Boolean	Prim.Boolean	
Ordering	Prim.Ordering	
Symbol	Prim.Symbol Type.Data.Symbol	
Int	Prim.Int	
Row	Prim.Row Type.Row Type.Row.Homoegeneous Record Heterogenous^^	
RowList	Prim.RowList	
Higher-Order Functions	Type.Eval	
N/A	Type.lsEqual Type.Proxy	

 $^{\wedge\wedge}$  The purescript-heterogenous library is mind-blowing and is exlained by its author in

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

the following video. This video is potentially difficult-to-understand but will make more sense as one gets used to more FP concepts. **Around 14 minutes in, Nate gets up and moves elsewhere. So, skip to** 16:37 **when this occurs to avoid wasting time**: PS Unscripted - Heterogenous

## **Testing**

#### **Test Conventions**

Normally, the code you test is found in the src folder and its corresponding test file is in the test folder with the following naming scheme for modules:

```
-- in 'src/MyModule.purs' file
module MyModule where
-- imports and source code

-- in 'test/MyModule.purs' file
module Test.MyModule where
-- imports and test code

-- in 'src/MyModule/SubModule.purs' file
module MyModule.SubModule where
-- imports and source code

-- in 'test/MyModule/SubModule.purs' file
module Test.MyModule.SubModule where
-- imports and test code
```

## **Breaking Conventions**

This folder will place both source and test code in the test folder to prevent you from going back and forth between the source file and its corresponding test file.

#### **Libraries Used**

This folder will cover testing using three libraries. Nested bullet points indicate other libraries into which one should investigate:

• Spec - Unit Testing / Test Suites

- spec-discovery
- spec-reporter-xunit
- spec-mocha

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

- spec-quickcheck
- Quick Check Property Testing
- Quick Check Laws Property Testing for the core type classes via type-level programming

## **Running the Tests**

See each folder for instructions

## **Unit Testing vs Property Testing**

### What is Unit Testing

Unit- / behavior- / example-testing verifies that a function (e.g. reverse) that receives a specific value (e.g. "apple") of some data type (e.g. String) will output a specific value (e.g. "elppa") of the same/different data type. In code:

```
unitTest :: Boolean
unitTest = (reverse "apple") == "elppa"
```

If we want to test reverse for a different value of String (e.g. "pineapple"), we would need to write a second test:

```
unitTest2 :: Boolean
unitTest2 = (reverse "pineapple") == "elppaenip"
```

If the function can take n different intputs, we need to write n different unit tests.

### A Brief Note on Golden Testing

A variant of unit testing is "golden testing," which basically stores the expected output of a test in a separate file. It comes with the following benefits:

- Some characters are easier to store in a separate file rather than in source code (e.g. the "character).
- Storing the "expected output" in the test's source code can distract from what the test
  is even testing in cases where that output is very large. Storing it in a separate file
  makes it easier to focus on what the test is testing.

For more details, see these links:

- Golden Tests are Tasty
- Golden Tests

### **Why Unit Testing Fails**

#### 1. Bad "time: code-coverage" ratio

 To verify that our code works in all possible situations, we must write n unit tests to verify that a function that takes n different inputs will output the correct n outputs, per function.

#### 2. Poor tester creativity

 A test-writer may forget to write or not be "creative" enough to realize that he/she should write the one test that exposes a bug in the code.

#### 3. Poor data generation

 Some values are hard to create, such as those that interact with a large and complicated database. If one tries to model that data and the model is off even slightly, the tests aren't verifying anything.

#### 4. 'Large' bug-exposing values don't "shrink" to 'small' values.

- Some tests that expose a bug use a "large" and complicated value of some data type. Unfortunately, they don't help us figure out what is the 'smallest' version of some value that reproduces the bug.
- For example, if one was testing a function that took numbers that are larger than
   1 million, it can be hard to determine what is causing the bug with a number like
   8,423,522 whereas a number like 1,000,001 might make it much clearer.

## What is Property Testing and Why It Succeeds

See Testing the Hard Stuff and Staying Sane, a talk from one of the guys who wrote QuickCheck, a Haskell library used to do property testing.

Property-testing verifies that a function (e.g. reverse) that receives **any** value of some data type (e.g. String) will output an expected value of the same/different data type; the expected value is calculated using the given input.

One might immediately think of this code before realizing that it doesn't work:

```
propertyTestFail :: String -> Boolean
propertyTestFail input = (reverse input) == -- ???
```

What should the expected output be? One way to resolve this is to call reverse twice on the input and see if it matches the original input. In code:

```
propertyTest :: String -> Boolean
propertyTest input = (reverse input)) == input
```

In a few lines, we have made it possible to test every possible value of String on the

function reverse. We spent only a few seconds and got 100% coverage (solving the above Problem 1). Moreover, the test doesn't require any creativity on our part. Whether the String value uses alphabetical characters, or numbers, or special symbols, or even characters from Asian languages, the test covers all of them (solving the above Problem 2)

The only problem left remaining is the data generation. While we may have a function that can test reverse, its useless unless we can generate random String values. Fortunately, a good property-testing library (like QuickCheck) provides the necessary API to generate such data according to one's needs (solving the above Problem 3).

Lastly, Problem 4 is solved with a feature called "shrinking." While a unit test cannot shrink 8,423,522 to 1,000,001, a property test can. This feature exists in the originaly Haskell library, but unfortunately, it does not yet seem to exist in Purescript's port of the library.

## The Trustworthiness of Property Testing

In some cases, such as Boolean, one has a finite number of input values to verify:

```
testBooleanWithAnd :: Boolean -> Boolean
testBooleanWithAnd randomBoolean = (randomBoolean && true) == randomBoolean
```

After proving that the above property is true for both the true and false values of Boolean, one does not need to retest it again with either values. In such a case, the test can be proven exhaustively and one's certainty in the code is 100%.

On another hand, to successfully prove that reverse works as expected, one would need to test an infinite number of String values. Since we don't have enough time for that, we usually stop testing it after 100 tests pass successfully. 100 tests does not guarantee that our function is correct as there could still be a case where it fails. However, it makes us highly confident in it. The option to increase the number of tests is always present if that's not enough for you.

### **Shrinking: Integrated vs Type-Directed**

To see the difference between QuickCheck (which uses type-directed shrinking) and Hedgehog (which uses integrated shrinking), watch Gens N' Roses: Appetite for Reduction. Then, read Integrated Shrinking

## **Property Testing: Case Studies**

Successful cases where property-based testing found difficult-to-find bugs:

- (book as a collection of blog posts) Komposition, a screencast editor
- Property testing with side effects: Effectful Propery Testing

## The Limits of Property Testing

Usually, people who have never heard of property testing will think it is a "silver bullet" when it comes to writing tests. However, property testing can only cover a select number of tests cases before one must resort to unit testing. Rather than explaining it here, here are 7 patterns where property-based testing works. If a test falls outside of that pattern, one will likely need to use unit testing instead.

Still, before deciding that one must use unit tests, consider using state machine testing:

- Intro to state machine testing
- (haskell library) An in-depth look at quickcheck-state-machine

## **Other Property Testing Links**

- falsify a Haskell library that has not been ported to PureScript but has some interesting ideas
- How to Specify It! A Guide to Writing Properties of Pure Functions

### **Conclusion**

As much as possible, use Property Testing. When that does not suffice, consider state-machine testing. Otherwise, use unit testing.

## Unit

There are two libraries for Unit Testing in Purescript:

- Spec (Aff-based testing)
- test-unit (Aff-based testing)

I'm not sure which one is better than the other in some situation. However, I knew about Spec first, so that's what we'll be documenting.

### Spec

Spec is useful for unit testing. The author already has a very clear guide in how to use it. Unfortunately, the links don't point to the correct version of the documentation. So, read through these links and then look at this code for examples:

- Writing Specs
- Running Specs

The Examples folder has two kinds of tests:

- Self-Contained shows most of the functions in a single file. It shows what the different reporters output when a test gets run.
- Modulated shows how one might create a single library-wide spec by combining other specs. See the Runner file for the main entry point.

#### **Test Instructions**

To run the tests in this folder, use the following commands:

```
# Assuming you are in the top-level "Testing" folder

# To run each self-contained file...
spago test --main Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.ConsoleReporter
spago test --main Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.DotReporter
spago test --main Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.SpecReporter
spago test --main Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.TapReporter

# To run the Modulated runner file
spago test --main Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Runner

# To run the focused spec example
spago test --main Test.Spec.Examples.FocusedSpec
```

## 01-Console-Reporter.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.ConsoleReporter where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (launchAff_)
import Test.Spec (pending, pending', describe, it)
import Test.Spec.Assertions (shouldEqual)
import Test.Spec.Reporter.Console (consoleReporter)
import Test.Spec.Runner (runSpec)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ $ runSpec [consoleReporter] do
 describe "Describe: Outer Group" do
    describe "Describe: Inner Group" do
      it "It: Test 1 - Successful" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 2
      it "It: Test 2 - Failure" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 0
    it "It: Test 1" do
      pure unit
    pending "Pending Test: need to write it; will write it later"
      -- cannot have a body!
    pending' "Pending Test: started writing it; will finish it later." do
      -- can have a body but it is ignored
      (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 4 -- this will fail if it runs
```

## 02-Dot-Reporter.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.DotReporter where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (launchAff_)
import Test.Spec (pending, pending', describe, it)
import Test.Spec.Assertions (shouldEqual)
import Test.Spec.Reporter.Dot (dotReporter)
import Test.Spec.Runner (runSpec)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ $ runSpec [ dotReporter { width: 2 } ] do
 describe "Describe: Outer Group" do
    describe "Describe: Inner Group" do
      it "It: Test 1 - Successful" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 2
      it "It: Test 2 - Failure" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 0
    it "It: Test 1" do
      pure unit
    pending "Pending Test: need to write it; will write it later"
      -- cannot have a body!
    pending' "Pending Test: started writing it; will finish it later." do
      -- can have a body but it is ignored
      (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 4 -- this will fail if it runs
```

## 03-Spec-Reporter.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.SpecReporter where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (launchAff_)
import Test.Spec (pending, pending', describe, it)
import Test.Spec.Assertions (shouldEqual)
import Test.Spec.Reporter.Spec (specReporter)
import Test.Spec.Runner (runSpec)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ $ runSpec [specReporter] do
 describe "Describe: Outer Group" do
    describe "Describe: Inner Group" do
      it "It: Test 1 - Successful" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 2
      it "It: Test 2 - Failure" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 0
    it "It: Test 1" do
      pure unit
    pending "Pending Test: need to write it; will write it later"
      -- cannot have a body!
    pending' "Pending Test: started writing it; will finish it later." do
      -- can have a body but it is ignored
      (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 4 -- this will fail if it runs
```

## 04-Tap-Reporter.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.TapReporter where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (launchAff_)
import Test.Spec (pending, pending', describe, it)
import Test.Spec.Assertions (shouldEqual)
import Test.Spec.Reporter.Tap (tapReporter)
import Test.Spec.Runner (runSpec)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ $ runSpec [tapReporter] do
 describe "Describe: Outer Group" do
    describe "Describe: Inner Group" do
      it "It: Test 1 - Successful" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 2
      it "It: Test 2 - Failure" do
        (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 0
    it "It: Test 1" do
      pure unit
    pending "Pending Test: need to write it; will write it later"
      -- cannot have a body!
    pending' "Pending Test: started writing it; will finish it later." do
      -- can have a body but it is ignored
      (1 + 1) `shouldEqual` 4 -- this will fail if it runs
```

## **Runner.purs**

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Runner where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (launchAff_)
-- import Test.Spec (pending, pending', describe, it)
-- import Test.Spec.Assertions (shouldEqual)
import Test.Spec.Reporter.Console (consoleReporter)
-- import Test.Spec.Reporter.Dot (dotReporter)
-- import Test.Spec.Reporter.Spec (specReporter)
-- import Test.Spec.Reporter.Tap (tapReporter)
import Test.Spec.Runner (runSpec)
import Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Spec1 as Spec1
import Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Spec2 as Spec2
import Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Spec3 as Spec3
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ $ runSpec [consoleReporter] do
  Spec1.spec
  Spec2.spec
  Spec3.spec
```

## Spec1.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Spec1 (spec) where
import Prelude
import Test.Spec (Spec, describe, it)
spec :: Spec Unit
spec =
 describe "Spec1 spec" do
   it "First test" $ pure unit
    it "Second test" $ pure unit
    it "Third test" $ pure unit
    describe "First group" do
      it "First test" $ pure unit
      it "Second test" $ pure unit
      it "Third test" $ pure unit
    describe "Second group" do
     it "First test" $ pure unit
      it "Second test" $ pure unit
      it "Third test" $ pure unit
```

# Spec2.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Spec2 (spec) where
import Prelude
import Test.Spec (Spec, describe, it)
spec :: Spec Unit
spec =
 describe "Spec2 spec" do
   it "First test" $ pure unit
    it "Second test" $ pure unit
    it "Third test" $ pure unit
    describe "First group" do
      it "First test" $ pure unit
      it "Second test" $ pure unit
      it "Third test" $ pure unit
    describe "Second group" do
     it "First test" $ pure unit
      it "Second test" $ pure unit
      it "Third test" $ pure unit
```

# Spec3.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Spec3 (spec) where
import Prelude
import Test.Spec (Spec, describe, it)
spec :: Spec Unit
spec =
 describe "Spec3 spec" do
   it "First test" $ pure unit
    it "Second test" $ pure unit
    it "Third test" $ pure unit
    describe "First group" do
      it "First test" $ pure unit
      it "Second test" $ pure unit
      it "Third test" $ pure unit
    describe "Second group" do
     it "First test" $ pure unit
      it "Second test" $ pure unit
      it "Third test" $ pure unit
```

## FocusedSpec.purs

```
module Test.Spec.Examples.FocusedSpec where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Aff (launchAff_)
-- import Test.Spec (pending, pending', describe, it)
-- import Test.Spec.Assertions (shouldEqual)
import Test.Spec.Reporter.Console (consoleReporter)
-- import Test.Spec.Reporter.Dot (dotReporter)
-- import Test.Spec.Reporter.Spec (specReporter)
-- import Test.Spec.Reporter.Tap (tapReporter)
import Test.Spec.Runner (runSpec)
import Test.Spec (describe, it, focus)
main :: Effect Unit
main = launchAff_ $ runSpec [consoleReporter] do
  describe "This group doesn't get run because the other group is 'focused'" do
    it "First unfocused test" $ pure unit
    it "Second unfocused test" $ pure unit
    it "Third unfocused test" $ pure unit
  focus $ describe "This group does get run because it's 'focused'" do
    it "First focused test" $ pure unit
    it "Second focused test" $ pure unit
    it "Third focused test" $ pure unit
```

# **Quick Check and Laws**

This folder will cover

- QuickCheck test syntax
- How to generate random data via combinators and Arbitrary
- How to use quickcheck-laws to quickly check your implementation of core type classes.

For a longer explanation of the original Haskell QuickCheck:

- A recent "unofficial" tutorial
- The outdated manual

### **Compilation Instructions**

Use these commands to compare the test results:

```
# Unit Tests
spago test -m Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.ConsoleReporter
spago test -m Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.DotReporter
spago test -m Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.SpecReporter
spago test -m Test.Spec.Examples.SelfContained.TapReporter
spago test -m Test.Spec.Examples.Modulated.Runner

# Quick Check
spago test -m Test.QuickCheckSyntax
```

### Gen and MonadGen

### **How QuickCheck Generates Random Data**

So, how does QuickCheck generate random data? Essentially, it uses a linear congruential generator to produce random numbers. Values can be created based on that number. Let's give some examples.

Let's say the randomly generated number is x where x is a Number:

#### • Primitives:

- $\circ$  Boolean: if 0 < x and x < 0.5, we might produce a true value and false otherwise.
- o Int: we can convert x to an Int via ceil
- $\circ$  Char: we can map  $\times$  to an Int and then produce a corresponding Unicode value via toCharCode.
- String: by generating numerous Char values, we can combine them together into a String value.

#### Containers:

- $\circ$  Maybe: given a Gen a, we can generate Nothing if 0 < x && x < 0.5 and Just a otherwise.
- $\circ$  Either: given a Gen a and a Gen b, we can generate Left a if 0 < x && x < 0.5 and Right b otherwise.
- List: given a Gen a and an Int indicating the number of values to generate, we
  can use the first generator to produce an a value and cons that onto Nil or the
  rest of the list.
- Array: we can generate a List a and then use fromUnfoldable

### The Gen Monad and its MonadGen Type Class

In purescript-gen, MonadGen is the type class that has a default implementation via Gen. To see all of the definitions of the types used in Gen, look below:

```
-- This Int will always be between 1 and 2147483647,
-- which is (2^31 - 1), a Mersenne prime.
-- It is used in a linear congruential generator.
newtype Seed = Seed Int -- This will always be a positive integer
type Size = Int
type GenState = { newSeed :: Seed, size :: Size }
newtype Gen a = State GenState a
```

QuickCheck uses the Gen monad (i.e. generator monad) to generate random data.

QuickCheck.Gen exports most of the package's functions (i.e. the "combinators" as they are called), not but all of them.

- Generators for Int, Boolean, and Number.
- Generators for common FP container types, such as Maybe, Either, Tuple, etc.

Furthermore, some data types combinators exist in other libraries. For example:

- Generators for Char
- Generators for String

## The Importance of the Seed Value

The Seed value is used to produce the random data. If you run a propety test and it fails, the failure message will also include the seed used to produce that data. Once you update your code to fix the bug, how would you know whether it fixed that particular instance? You would run the test and specify that it should use that specific seed.

As an example, this repository includes some example programs in the Projects folder. One of my property tests failed, so I saved the seeds here: https://github.com/ JordanMartinez/purescript-jordans-reference/issues/351.

I can use those seeds to help troubleshoot why these problems occurred and ensure that the bug has indeed been fixed.

# **02-Test-Syntax.purs**

```
module Test.QuickCheckSyntax where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
-- needed to run tests
import Effect.Exception (catchException, message)
-- new imports
-- these will be explained below
import Test.QuickCheck (
      quickCheck, quickCheck'
    , (<?>)
    , (==?), (===), (/=?), (/==)
    , (<?), (<=?), (>?), (>=?)
    -- needed to reduce noise in syntax
    , class Testable
    )
-- wraps the test output with the name of the test
runTest :: String -> Effect Unit -> Effect Unit
runTest testName test = do
  log $ "=== Running test: " <> testName
  test
  log $ "=== Test finished: " <> testName <> "\n\n"
-- runs our tests
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  runTest "Pass - exhaustive" passingTest_exhaustive
  runTest "Pass - normal threshold" passingTest_normal_threshold
  runTest "Pass - custom threshold" passingTest_custom_threshold
  runTest "Fail - no error message"
                                         error_message_None
  runTest "Fail - standard error message" error_message_Standard
  runTest "Fail - custom error message" error_message_Custom
QuickCheck cannot always infer which type we're using for our
randomly-generated data.
  -- What is the type of `a` ? Answer: any instance of Eq
  quickCheck (\a -> a == a)
To fix this, we could use one of two things:
                                                                    -}
-- 1. (argName :: Type) syntax
noisySyntax1 :: Effect Unit
noisySyntax1 = quickCheck (\(i :: Int) -> true)
```

```
noisySyntax2 :: Effect Unit
noisySyntax2 = quickCheck (\i -> (\_ -> true) (i :: Int))
-- 2. Use a function that specifies its type
intOnlyFunction :: Int -> Boolean
intOnlyFunction _ = true
functionThatSpecifiesType :: Effect Unit
functionThatSpecifiesType = quickCheck (\i -> intOnlyFunction i)
{-
Each adds "noise" to the syntax.
So, the below functions specify what the type is. When you read
these functions in actual tests, remove the "_type" suffix:
  quickCheck_int
                         => quickCheck
  - quickCheck'_int => quickCheck'
The functions appear at the bottom of the file.
-- test that "b && true" reduces to "b"
-- This test will not stop after 2 tries, even though that's all it needs.
passingTest_exhaustive :: Effect Unit
passingTest_exhaustive = quickCheck_boolean (\b -> (b && true) == b)
-- Test that "+" works regardless of argument order (i.e. commutative)
passingTest_normal_threshold :: Effect Unit
passingTest_normal_threshold = quickCheck_int (\i -> i + 1 == 1 + i)
-- increase confidence by increasing the number of tests
passingTest_custom_threshold :: Effect Unit
passingTest_custom_threshold = quickCheck'_int 1000 (\i -> i + 1 == 1 + i)
-- A test that fails will crash our program, preventing us from
-- seeing the output of other failing tests. We'll fix this by
-- preceding such tests with `printErrorMessage`. The function appears
-- at the bottom of the file.
error_message_None :: Effect Unit
error_message_None =
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i + 1 == i)
Quickcheck uses "[operator]?" syntax to add a standard error message
Normal without message | == | /= | < | <= | > | >=
              message | ==? | /=? | <? | <=? | >? | >=?
Normal with
Alternative
                       | === | /== |
error_message_Standard :: Effect Unit
error_message_Standard = do
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i + 1 ==? i)
  log "" -- add a blank line in-between tests
```

```
printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i + 1 === i)
  log ""
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i /=? i)
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i /== i)
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i + 1 <=? i)</pre>
  log ""
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i + 1 <? i)</pre>
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i - 1 >? i)
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int (\i -> i - 1 >=? i)
error_message_Custom :: Effect Unit
error_message_Custom =
  printErrorMessage $ quickCheck_int
    (\i -> i + 1 == i <?> show i <> " did not equal " <> (show $ i + 1))
-- Helper functions
printErrorMessage :: Effect Unit -> Effect Unit
printErrorMessage test = catchException (\error -> log $ message error) test
data Result_
 = Success_
  | Failure_ String -- error message
-- "a" is
     either a Boolean, which is converted into a Result
            a Result itself.
quickCheck_boolean :: forall a. Testable a => (Boolean -> a) -> Effect Unit
quickCheck_boolean test = quickCheck test
quickCheck_int :: forall a. Testable a => (Int -> a) -> Effect Unit
quickCheck_int test = quickCheck test
-- variant that allows one to specify the number of tests
quickCheck'_int :: forall a. Testable a => Int -> (Int -> a) -> Effect Unit
quickCheck'_int numOfTests test = quickCheck' numOfTests test
```

# 03-Generating-Random-Data.purs

```
-- | The focus of this file is on how to use combinators.
-- | to produce random data.
module Test.RandomDataGeneration.Combinators where
import Prelude
import Data.Maybe (fromJust)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Data.Array.NonEmpty as NEA
-- new imports
-- these are all explained below
import Test.QuickCheck.Gen (
    uniform
  , choose, chooseInt, elements, shuffle
  , oneOf, frequency, suchThat
  , arrayOf, arrayOf1, listOf, vectorOf
-- all imports below this line are needed to compile
  , Gen, randomSample
  )
import Data.Int (even)
import Data.Traversable (for)
import Data.Tuple (Tuple(...))
import Partial.Unsafe (unsafePartial)
-- Prints the results of the combinators in Test.QuickCheck.Gen
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
                                                                           {-
  printData "explanation" $
    combinator arg1 arg2 -- if args are required
                                                                           -}
  log "*** Basic combinators ***"
  -- see "Standard Uniform Distribution" section in
  -- https://www.wikiwand.com/en/Uniform_distribution_(continuous)
  printData "uniform - standard uniform distribution" $
    uniform
  printData "chooseInt - choose a random Int between" $
    chooseInt 1
                  10
  printData "choose - choose a random Number between" $
    choose 1.0 10.0
   -- oneToThree = NonEmptyArray [1, 2, 3]
  let oneToThree = unsafePartial fromJust $ NEA.fromArray [1, 2, 3]
  printData ("elements - Choose an random element from the array where \
             \each element has the same probability of being chosen") $
    elements oneToThree
  let array = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

```
printData ("shuffle - randomize the order of an array's elements \
           \(e.g. " <> show array <> ")") $
  shuffle array
log "*** Composable combinators ***"
printData ("oneOf - Randomly choose a generator (where each generator has \
           \the same probability of being chosen) and use it to generate \
           \a random instance of the data type") $
 oneOf $ unsafePartial fromJust $ NEA.fromArray
    [ chooseInt
                0 9
    , chooseInt 10 99
    , chooseInt 100 999
let array_1 = NEA.singleton 1 -- (NonEmptyArray Int)
   array_2 = NEA.singleton 2
   array_4 = NEA.singleton 4
   lessOften = 1.0
   sometimes = 2.0
    moreOften = 4.0
printData ("frequency - Generate an instance from an array of generators \
                \where each generator is used unequally") $
  frequency $ unsafePartial fromJust $ NEA.fromArray
    [ Tuple lessOften (elements $ array_1)
    , Tuple sometimes (elements $ array_2)
    , Tuple moreOften (elements $ array_4)
printData "suchThat - Create a generator (e.g. even numbers) by filtering \
          \out invalid instances that are generated from another generator \
          \by using the given function" $
  suchThat (chooseInt 1 100) even
log "*** Multiplier combinators ***"
printData "arrayOf - Using a generator that creates one `a`, create \
          \an empty array of type `a` or \
          \an array of randomly-generated `a` instances" $
  arrayOf $ chooseInt 0 9
printData "arrayOf1 - Using a generator that creates one `a`, create \
          \an non-empty array of randomly-generated `a` instances" $
  arrayOf1 $ chooseInt 0 9
printData "vectorOf - Using a generator that creates one `a`, create \
          \a non-empty array of a specified number of randomly-generated \
          \`a` instances" $
  vectorOf 10 $ chooseInt 0 9
printData "listOf - Using a generator that creates one `a`, create \
```

```
\\a non-empty list of a specified number of randomly-generated \
\\a` instances" $
listOf 10 $ chooseInt 0 9

-- Helper functions

printData :: forall a. Show a => String -> Gen a -> Effect Unit
printData explanation generator = do
log $ "=== " <> explanation
    result <- randomSample generator
    void $ for result (\item -> log $ show item)
log "=== Finished\n"
```

# **04-Generating-Strings.purs**

```
-- | The focus of this file is on using String/Char's
-- | generators to produce random String values.
module Test.RandomDataGeneration.Strings where
import Prelude
import Data.Char.Gen (genAlpha, genAlphaLowercase, genAlphaUppercase,
genAsciiChar, genAsciiChar', genDigitChar, genUnicodeChar)
import Data.Enum (toEnumWithDefaults)
import Data.FoldableWithIndex (forWithIndex_)
import Data.String.Gen (genAlphaLowercaseString, genAlphaString,
genAlphaUppercaseString, genAsciiString, genAsciiString', genDigitString,
genString, genUnicodeString)
import Data.Traversable (fold)
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
import Test.QuickCheck.Gen (Gen, chooseInt, listOf, randomSample)
-- Prints the results of the combinators in Data.Char.Gen
-- and Data.String.Gen
main :: Effect Unit
                                                                           {-
main = do
  printData "explanation" $
    combinator arg1 arg2 -- if args are required
                                                                           -}
  log "*** Basic Char combinators ***"
  printData "genUnicodeChar - generates a character of the Unicode basic \
            \multilingual plane. Since Asian languages take up a big chunk \
            \of the plane, most of the characters will be an Asian character" $
    genUnicodeChar
  printData "genAsciiChar - generates a character in the ASCII character set, \
            \excluding control codes" $
    genAsciiChar
  printData "genAsciiChar' - generates a character in the ASCII character set"
$
    genAsciiChar'
  printData "genDigitChar - generates a character that is a numeric digit" $
    genDigitChar
  printData "genAlpha - generates a character from the basic latin alphabet" $
    genAlpha
  printData "genAlphaLowercase - generates a lowercase character from the \
            \basic latin alphabet" $
    genAlphaLowercase
  printData "genAlphaUppercase - generates an uppercase character from the \
            \basic latin alphabet" $
```

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#### genAlphaUppercase

```
let
  customCharGenerator :: Int -> Int -> Gen Char
  customCharGenerator lower upper =
    toEnumWithDefaults bottom top <$> chooseInt lower upper
printData "custom Char generator - generates a character between the 65 \
          \1200 character points, inclusive" $
  customCharGenerator 65 1200
log "*** Basic String combinators ***"
printData "genUnicodeString - generates a 1-character String of the Unicode \
          \basic multilingual plane. Since Asian languages take up a big \
          \chunk of the plane, most of the characters will be an Asian \
          \character" $
  genUnicodeString
printData "genAsciiString - generates a 1-character String in the ASCII \
          \character set, excluding control codes" $
  genAsciiString
printData "genAsciiString' - generates a 1-character String in the ASCII \
          \character set" $
  genAsciiString'
printData "genDigitString - generates a 1-character String that is a \
          \numeric digit" $
  genDigitString
printData "genAlpha - generates a 1-character String from the basic latin \
          \alphabet" $
  genAlphaString
printData "genAlphaLowercase - generates a lowercase 1-character String from
          \the basic latin alphabet" $
  genAlphaLowercaseString
printData "genAlphaUppercase - generates an uppercase 1-character String \
          \from the basic latin alphabet" $
  genAlphaUppercaseString
printData "custom String generator - generates a 1-character String using \
          \the character generator you provide. (In this case, the character
          \will be between the 65 and 1200 character points, inclusive" $
  genString $ customCharGenerator 65 1200
log "*** Actual String combinators ***"
```

```
let
   produceStringWith20Chars :: String -> Gen String -> Effect Unit
    produceStringWith20Chars msg stringGenerator = do
     printData msg $ fold <$> listOf 20 stringGenerator
  produceStringWith20Chars "genUnicodeString" genUnicodeString
  produceStringWith20Chars "genAsciiString" genAsciiString
  produceStringWith20Chars "genAsciiString'" genAsciiString'
  produceStringWith20Chars "genDigitString" genDigitString
  produceStringWith20Chars "genAlphaString" genAlphaString
  produceStringWith20Chars "genAlphaLowercaseString" genAlphaLowercaseString
  produceStringWith20Chars "genAlphaUppercaseString" genAlphaUppercaseString
  produceStringWith20Chars "genString with custom Char generator" $
    genString $ customCharGenerator 65 1200
-- Helper functions
printData :: forall a. Show a => String -> Gen a -> Effect Unit
printData explanation generator = do
 log $ "=== " <> explanation
  result <- randomSample generator</pre>
  forWithIndex_ result (\index item ->
    log $ "Item: " <> show index <> ": " <> show item)
  log "=== Finished\n"
```

# **05-Arbitrary.purs**

```
{-
Now that we understand how to generate random data via combinators,
it's time to look at the Arbitrary type class.
-}
module Test.RandomDataGeneration.Arbitrary where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Effect.Console (log)
-- needed to compile
import Data.Maybe (fromJust)
import Data.Array.NonEmpty as NEA
import Data.Tuple (Tuple(...))
import Partial.Unsafe (unsafePartial)
import Test.QuickCheck (quickCheck)
import Test.QuickCheck.Gen (elements, frequency, Gen)
-- new imports
import Test.QuickCheck.Arbitrary (class Arbitrary, arbitrary)
-- Arbitrary simply defines what a given type's default generator is...
class Arbitrary_ a where
  arbitrary_ :: Gen a
-- For example, given this code...
data Fruit
  = Apple
  Banana
  Orange
instance Arbitrary Fruit where
  arbitrary = elements $ unsafePartial fromJust $ NEA.fromArray [ Apple,
Banana, Orange]
-- ... the below (useless) code would compile
-- main :: Effect Unit
-- main = quickCheck (\((fruit :: Fruit) -> true)
{-
The below explanation is largely based on the purescript-quickcheck's repo's
guide. The copyright appears at the end of this file.
Above, I said that `Arbitrary` represents a type's "default generator."
What if we wanted to generate a `Fruit` instance that is more frequently
an `Apple` rather than a `Banana` or `Orange`?
In such cases, we can use `newtype`
-}
```

```
-- define our newtype
newtype FrequentApple = FrequentApple Fruit
-- helper function
constant :: Fruit -> Gen FrequentApple
constant fruit = elements $ NEA.singleton $ FrequentApple fruit
-- write its instance
instance Arbitrary FrequentApple where
  arbitrary = frequency $ unsafePartial fromJust $ NEA.fromArray
    [ Tuple 6.0 (constant Apple)
    , Tuple 2.0 (constant Banana)
    , Tuple 1.0 (constant Orange)
-- write a helper function for unwrapping the type
runApple :: FrequentApple -> Fruit
runApple (FrequentApple fruit) = fruit
-- Then use it in a function
-- main :: Effect Unit
-- main = quickCheck (\usuallyApple -> (\_ -> true) $ runApple usuallyApple)
-- Likewise, we can use the type's arbitrary to create a newtype's arbitrary
newtype SmallInt = SmallInt Int
instance Arbitrary SmallInt where
  arbitrary = (SmallInt <<< (_ / 1000)) <$> arbitrary -- Arbitrary Int
runInt :: SmallInt -> Int
runInt (SmallInt i) = i
-- Now let's put it all together
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  log "Regular Apple"
  quickCheck (\((fruit :: Fruit) -> true )
  log "Frequent Apple"
  quickCheck (\usuallyApple -> (\_ -> true) $ runApple usuallyApple)
  log "Small Int"
  quickCheck (\(\(\sum_{\text{SmallInt}}\) i) -> true )
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#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

# Coarbitrary

The Dual or Arbitrary is Coarbitrary . To understand how this works, see CoArbitrary in Haskell (SO Answer).

In case one wants to randomly generate functions, one will need to use a Coarbitrary constraint to implement that function's Arbitrary instance.

Implementing Coarbitrary isn't hard. Looking at Number 's instance, Boolean 's instance, and Char 's instance, you can start to see a pattern.

# **Problems with Arbitrary**

In the examples so far, we have shown you how to run your tests using Arbitrary. The downside of Arbitrary is that you might want to generate a slightly different value for the same type. This approach will quickly run afoul of two problems. Both problems can be resolved by defining a newtype over the original type and an instance that differs from the original instance:

- the problem of Overlapping Instances
- the problem of Orphan Instances

We will provide two brief examples showing this problem below. For more context and why these two problems are bad, read to FP Philosophical Foundations/Type Clases.md#Type Class Instances: Global vs Local or read the beginning part of Avoid overlapping instances with closed type families.

#### The Problem of Overlapping Instances:

```
newtype MyRec = MyRec { a :: String, b :: Int }
instance Arbitrary MyRec where
  arbitrary = do
    a <- genString
    b <- chooseInt 1 100
    pure $ MyRec { a, b }
newtype MyRecVariation = MyRecVariation MyRec
instance Arbitrary MyRecVariation where
  arbitrary = do
    a <- map (\str -> str <> " and more") genString
    b <- chooseInt 1 200
    pure $ MyRecVariation { a, b }
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  quickCheck \(MyRec r) -> length r.a == r.b
  quickCheck \((MyRecVariation r) -> ((length r.a) * 2) == r.b
```

**The Problem of Orphan Instances.** Another problem you might experience is that a library has defined a type and its Arbitrary instance. However, their version of the instance isn't the implementation you want. Since the Arbitrary type class and the type you wish to use were both defined in modules you can't control, you can't define an instance for that type. Thus, you must use resort to the newtype solution.

Fortunately, quickcheck provides a way around this: we don't have to use Arbitrary to generate a value/test. Rather, we can use plain Gen:

Description	<b>Uses</b> Arbitrary	<b>Uses</b> Gen
Run a test 100 times	quickCheck	quickCheckGen
Run a test a specified number of times	quickCheck'	quickCheckGen'
Run a test a specified number of times with access to the seed	quickCheckWithSeed	quickCheckGenWithSeed
Run a test a specified number of times with access to the seed, returning all the results of the test as a list	quickCheckPure	quickCheckGenPure
Run a test a specified number of times with access to the seed, returning all the results of the test as a list, including the seed used when running a particular test	quickCheckPure'	quickCheckGenPure'

Thus, we could rewrite our above example test to...

```
newtype MyRec = MyRec { a :: String, b :: Int }
genMyRec :: Gen MyRec
genMyRec = do
  a <- genString
  b <- chooseInt 1 100
  pure $ MyRec { a, b }
genMyRecVariation :: Gen MyRec
genMyRecVariation = do
  a <- map (\str -> str <> " and more") genString
  b <- chooseInt 1 200
  pure $ MyRecVariation { a, b }
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  quickCheckGen do
    (MyRec r) <- genMyRec
    pure $ length r.a == r.b
  quickCheckGen do
    (MyRecVariation r) <- genMyRecVariation
    pure $ ((length r.a) * 2) == r.b
  -- or just inline `genMyRecVariation` and its test
  quickCheckGen do
    a <- map (\str -> str <> " and more") genString
    b <- chooseInt 1 200
    pure $ length a == b
```

# **08-Quick-Check-Laws.purs**

```
{-
This file will show how to use QuickCheck Laws to quickly
and easily test whether one's instances for various core
type classes are correct. To see the full list, see its documentation here:
https://pursuit.purescript.org/packages/purescript-quickcheck-laws/4.0.0
The library approach uses type-level programming to check the laws.
module Test.QuickCheckLaws where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Data.Array.NonEmpty as NEA
import Data.Maybe (fromJust)
import Test.QuickCheck.Gen (Gen, elements)
import Test.QuickCheck.Arbitrary (class Arbitrary, arbitrary)
import Partial.Unsafe (unsafePartial)
-- new imports
import Test.QuickCheck.Laws (checkLaws, A, B, C)
import Test.QuickCheck.Laws.Control as Control
import Test.QuickCheck.Laws.Data as Data
-- necessary to compile
import Type.Proxy (Proxy(...))
-- Given a type...
-- (e.g. our Box type from before)
data Box a = Box a
-- ... that implements some type classes...
-- (instances appear at the bottom of the file)
-- ... and an Arbitrary for our Box type
instance (Arbitrary a) => Arbitrary (Box a) where
  arbitrary = map pure arbitrary
-- ... and a helper function for checking all of them at once
checkBox :: Effect Unit
checkBox = do
  -- checkLaws "data type" do
       type-class 1 check
       type-class 2 check
       . . .
  checkLaws "Box (using Arbitrary instance)" do
    let
      -- When using type classes like `Eq` or `Ord` that
      -- are not higher-kinded types, use `prxBoxA`
      -- `A` is a filler type from the laws package
      prxBoxA = Proxy :: Proxy (Box A)
```

```
-- When using type classes like `Functor` or `Apply` that
      -- are higher-kinded types, use `prxBox`
      prxBox = Proxy :: Proxy Box
    -- type classes with concrete types
    Data.checkEq prxBoxA
    Data.checkOrd prxBoxA
    -- type classes with higher-kinded types
    Data.checkFunctor
                           prxBox
    Control.checkApply
                             prxBox
    Control.checkApplicative prxBox
    Control.checkBind
                            prxBox
    Control.checkMonad
                            prxBox
  checkLaws "Box (using specific generator)" do
    let
      boxAGenerator :: Gen (Box A)
      boxAGenerator = Box <$> (arbitrary :: Gen A)
      boxAToBGenerator :: Gen (Box (A -> B))
      boxAToBGenerator = Box <$> (arbitrary :: Gen (A -> B))
      boxBToCGenerator :: Gen (Box (B -> C))
      boxBToCGenerator = Box <$> (arbitrary :: Gen (B -> C))
      boxAToBoxAGenerator :: Gen (A -> Box A)
      boxAToBoxAGenerator = map Box <$> (arbitrary :: Gen (A -> A))
    -- type classes with concrete types
    Data.checkEqGen boxAGenerator
    Data.checkOrdGen boxAGenerator
    -- type classes with higher-kinded types
    Data.checkFunctorGen boxAGenerator
    Control.checkApplyGen boxAGenerator boxAToBGenerator boxBToCGenerator
    Control.checkApplicativeGen boxAGenerator boxAToBGenerator boxBToCGenerator
    Control.checkBindGen boxAGenerator boxAToBoxAGenerator
    Control.checkMonadGen boxAGenerator boxAToBoxAGenerator
-- We can test multiple types' instances to insure they adhere to those
-- type classes' laws.
main :: Effect Unit
main = do
  checkBox
  -- Fruit's type, arbitrary, and instances appear after
  -- the "Box's instances" section
  checkFruit
-- Box's instances
instance (Eq a) => Eq (Box a) where
  eq (Box a1) (Box a2) = eq a1 a2
instance (Ord a) => Ord (Box a) where
  compare (Box a1) (Box a2) = compare a1 a2
```

```
instance Functor Box where
  map :: forall a b. (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Box a \rightarrow Box b
  map f(Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Apply Box where
  apply :: forall a b. Box (a -> b) -> Box a -> Box b
  apply (Box f) (Box a) = Box (f a)
instance Bind Box where
  bind :: forall a b. Box a -> (a -> Box b) -> Box b
  bind (Box a) f = f a
instance Applicative Box where
  pure :: forall a. a -> Box a
  pure a = Box a
instance Monad Box
-- Fruit's type, arbitrary, and instances
data Fruit = Apple | Orange
instance Arbitrary Fruit where
  arbitrary = elements $ unsafePartial fromJust $ NEA.fromArray [Apple, Orange]
derive instance Eq Fruit
instance Ord Fruit where
  compare Apple Orange = LT
  compare Orange Apple = GT
  compare _ _ = EQ
checkFruit :: Effect Unit
checkFruit = do
  checkLaws "Fruit (using Arbitrary instance)" do
    let
      -- since Fruit is not a higher-kinded type,
      -- we don't need the filler `A` type here
      prxFruit = Proxy :: Proxy Fruit
    Data.checkEq prxFruit
    Data.checkOrd prxFruit
  checkLaws "Fruit (using specific generator)" do
    let fruitGen = elements $ unsafePartial fromJust $ NEA.fromArray [Apple,
Orange]
    Data.checkEqGen fruitGen
    Data.checkOrdGen fruitGen
```

# **Property Testing Libraries Comparison**

Besides QuickCheck, there are two other property testing libraries in the Purescript ecosystem:

- StrongCheck and its corresponding StrongCheck-Laws package
- Jack (no longer compiles since the 0.12.0 release)

Here's a comparison table between the three:

Feature	QuickCheck	StrongCheck	Jack
Equivalent Haskell Library	QuickCheck	QuickCheck	Hedgehog
Uses Arbitrary	Yes	Yes	No
Type of Shrinking	Type-Directed	Type-Directed	Integrated
Supports "exhaustive" testing	No	Yes	No
Supports "statistical" testing	No	Yes	No
Can generate functions	Yes	Yes	Yes
Supports monadic tests	Yes	Yes	No

According to @garyb, one of the core contributors to Purescript:

Originally StrongCheck (SC) was fully stack safe where there were some cases that QuickCheck (QC) was not, but QC is now too. I wouldn't use SC now unless I needed smallCheck (exhaustive testing) or statCheck (statistical testing) as it is significantly slower, to the point of it being annoying on some tests

Consider also reading through QuickCheck, Hedgehog, and Validity, an article on Haskell's different testing libraries.

Lastly, QuickCheck's Gen type and combinators are used in Benchotron, the Purescript benchmarking library (covered next)

# **Benchmarking**

Purescript has a few benchmarking libraries:

Name	Status	Comments
purescript- benchotron (my fork)	Up-to-date	Uses QuickCheck Output results only in Node Results are viewable only via graphs
purescript- benchotron (original)	Up-to-date	Uses QuickCheck Output results only in Node Results are viewable only via graphs
purescript-minibench	Up-to-date	Provides quick estimates but not very accurate benchmarks
purescript-benchmark	Outdated (PS 0.11.7)	Doesn't require QuickCheck Outputs results in Node and Browser Output is full ASCII table with percentage values

In this folder, we'll be covering benchotron because it works for 0.15.x and has finer accuracy than minibench and includes graphs.

This benchotron graph...

benchmark results

... was the result of this somewhat unreadable output

### **Compilation Instructions**

Benchotron is a Purescript library that provides bindings to Benchmark.js. Follow these commands to set up this folder:

1. Install Benchmark.js locally via the command below:

```
# Note: This must be installed locally for the code to work.
# If you install it globally, Node won't be able to find `benchmark`.
npm install benchmark
```

2. Use spago to build the program::

```
# 'spago build' includes a call to 'spago install'
spago build
```

You can now use benchotron via spago.

#### **Generating benchmark results**

1. Run the below command

```
# Since we have `"benchmark/**/*.purs"` included in
# the `spago.dhall` file's "sources" config, we can use
# the below command instead. If you don't that that,
# you'll need to add '-p "benchmark/**/*.purs"' as an argument below.
spago run -m Benchmarking.Syntax.Benchotron
```

- 2. It will output a file in the freshly-created tmp directory
- 3. Upload the outputted file to the Benchotron SVG Renderer
- 4. Download the graph as an SVG or PNG

## 01-Benchmark-Syntax.purs

```
module Benchmarking.Syntax.Benchotron where
import Prelude
import Effect (Effect)
import Test.QuickCheck.Arbitrary (arbitrary)
import Test.QuickCheck.Gen (vectorOf)
-- needed to run the benchmark
import Data.Foldable (foldMap, foldr)
import Data.Monoid.Additive (Additive(...))
import Data.Newtype (ala)
-- new imports
import Benchotron.Core (Benchmark, benchFn, mkBenchmark)
-- This module includes other `benchmarkToX` functions (e.g. benchmarkToFile)
-- However, there's no reason to directly use them. `runSuite`
-- uses them and provides the best interface to run
-- multiple benchmarks in one command
import Benchotron.UI.Console (runSuite)
main :: Effect Unit
main = runSuite [syntax]
syntax :: Benchmark
syntax = mkBenchmark
  { slug: "file-name-for-output"
  , title: "Title of the benchmark"
  -- Each `Int` in this `Array` will be the `n` argument in the `gen` field
  , sizes: [1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000]
  , sizeInterpretation: "Human-readable explanation of 'sizes': \
                        \the number of elements in an array"
  -- how many times to run a benchmark for each 'size' above
  -- totalBenchmarksRun = (length sizes) * inputsPerSize
  -- If this was 2, we'd run each of the 5 benchmarks above twice
  , inputsPerSize: 1
 -- gen :: forall a. Int -> Gen a
  , gen: \n -> vectorOf n arbitrary
  , functions:
                          -- forall a r. (a -> r)
      [ benchFn "function name: foldr" (foldr (+) 0)
      , benchFn "function name: foldmap" (ala Additive foldMap)
      ٦
  }
```

## **Next Steps**

#### **Style Guide for Libraries**

If you ever want to write your own PureScript library, review the following (somewhat outdated) guidelines: PureScript's Style Guide

## **Exploring Projects**

Rather than combining multiple projects into this folder as was done previously, we link to projects that are standalone. This provides easier navigation through the code and encourages you to checkout the code locally to try it there.

#### Simple Projects Following a Domain-Driven-Design

The below programs were written by me when I was first learning how to design programs using modern FP architecture. This approach to writing programs tends to follow a domain-driven design by categorizing code into one of five layers:

Layer Level	Onion Architecture Term	General idea
Layer 4	Core	Strong types with well-defined properties and their pure, total functions that operate on them
Layer 3	Domain	the "business logic" code which uses effects
Layer 2	API	the "production" or "test" monad which "links" these effects/capabilties with their corresponding implementations: a newtyped ReaderT and its instances
Layer 1	Infrastructure	the platform-specific framework/libraries we'll use to implement some special effects/capabilities (i.e. Node.ReadLine / Halogen / StateT)
Layer 0	Main (no equivalent	the program's entry point the "base" monad that runs the program (e.g.

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Layer Level	Onion Architecture Term	General idea	
	onion term)	<pre>production: Effect / Aff; test: Identity )</pre>	

- Random Number Game a very simple game that runs on the console and in the browser using the same "business logic".
- Mdbook ToC Generator Not explained with a "Design Thought Process" file. A script that produces the necessary table of contents file used by mdbook to produce the website for this work.

#### Other "Example Projects"

- hdgarrood's 'MultiPac' project
- thomashoneyman's 'Real World App' (Halogen version)
- jonasbuntinx' 'Real World App' (React Version)
- jaspervdj's 'Beeraffe' game
- AndrewBrownK's 'Minesweeper CLI' game
- aftok

#### **Projects in non-JS backends**

Lambda Lantern

#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

# **Design Patterns**

This folder is still a work-in-progress!

See the related issues regarding this folder for a more up-to-date understanding.

See A list of Haskell articles on good design, good testing.

See also this list of Functional Pearls

## **Smart Constructors**

Smart constructors are a solution to the problem of how to create a valid value of some type when the type's definition does not allow invalid values.

#### The Problem

For example, one might want to use a type to specify a small integer (0 to 3). A possible solution is wrapping an Int in a newtype:

```
module Example.SmallInt (SmallInt(..)) where
newtype SmallInt = SmallInt Int
```

However, anyone can create a SmallInt using an Int value that is less than 0 or larger than 3: SmallInt 5.

As another example, consider this code:

```
module FlawedConstructors
  ( TheType(..)
  , example
  ) where
import Partial.Unsafe (unsafeCrashWith)
-- Let's assume that String value below
-- should only be of three kinds: "apple", "orange", and "banana".
-- (Note: "String" is the wrong type for our situation. We should be using
    something like "data Fruit = Apple | Orange | Banana".
     I'm doing this to teach a concept. Don't do this in real code.)
data TheType = DumbConstructor String
example :: TheType -> Int
example (DumbConstructor "apple") = 1
example (DumbConstructor "orange") = 2
example (DumbConstructor "banana") = 42
example (DumbConstructor _) = unsafeCrashWith "This should never occur!"
```

Since the type and its constructor are both exported, this enables a user of this module to use it incorrectly. For example, in code outside this module, one could incorrectly write:

```
example (DumbConstructor "fire") -- crashes program with an error
```

#### The Solution

The solution is to not export the types' constructors and instead export "smart constructors," which are functions that create a correct value of the type. The only way to get a value of the type is to use one of these functions:

```
module Example.SmallInt (SmallInt, zero, one) where
newtype SmallInt = SmallInt Int
zero :: SmallInt
zero = SmallInt 0
one :: SmallInt
one = SmallInt 1
-- the same for 'two' and 'three'
```

In our previous example, we could also write this:

```
module SmartConstructors
  ( TheType -- `DumbConstructor` isn't exported
            -- but the functions that wrap the constructor are
  , apple
  , orange
  , banana
  ) where
import Partial.Unsafe (unsafeCrashWith)
data TheType = DumbConstructor String
apple :: TheType
apple = DumbConstructor "apple"
orange :: TheType
orange = DumbConstructor "orange"
banana :: TheType
banana = DumbConstructor "banana"
example :: TheType -> Int
example (DumbConstructor "apple") = 1
example (DumbConstructor "orange") = 2
example (DumbConstructor "banana") = 42
example (DumbConstructor _) = unsafeCrashWith "We can guarantee that this will
never occur!"
```

Since DumbConstructor isn't exported, one is forced to use the apple, orange, or banana smart constructors to get a value of TheType. Thus, it prevents one from creating incorrect TheType values.

```
preventBadValues :: Array Int
preventBadValues =
  [ example apple -- returns 1
  , example orange -- returns 2
  , example banana -- returns 42

, example (DumbConstructor "fire") {- compiler error:
    "You don't have access to that constructor!" -}
]
```

## **Partial Functions**

Partial functions are functions that will not always return an output for every input. An example is integer division:

- x / 1 produces an output: x
- x / 0 cannot produce an output but will throw an error.

This folder is a summary of the article: Keep your Types Small and Your Bugs Smaller

There are three different ways one can handle partial functions in Purescript:

- 1. Crash on invalid inputs
  - via Partial
- 2. Return an error-container type:
  - via Maybe a
  - via Either String a
  - Via Either CustomErrorType a
  - o Via Veither errorRows a
- 3. Use refined types
  - via NonZeroInt (or some other refined type)
- 4. Return the output on valid inputs and a default value on invalid inputs

#### **Compilation Instruction**

Start the REPL, import the file's module, and pass in different arguments to the function to see what happens

#### **Other Useful Links**

Lamda The Ultimate - Pattern Factory - Explains FP design patterns using OO terms.

# 01-Via-Partial.purs

```
module PartialFunctions.ViaPartial where
import Prelude
-- new imports
-- Used when a function cannot return a valid value
import Partial (crash)
-- Used to indicate that one is using a partial function
-- in a (hopefully) safe way by passing only valid arguments to it.
-- In our example below, we will be passing invalid arguments to it.
import Partial.Unsafe (unsafePartial)
-- Run this program and divide by zero to see what happens.
unsafeDivision :: Partial => Int -> Int -> String
unsafeDivision _ 0 = crash "You divided by zero!"
unsafeDivision x y = showResult x y (x / y)
```

## 02-Via-Maybe.purs

```
module PartialFunctions. Via Maybe where
import Prelude
{-
We can often turn our partial functions into total functions
by changing the output type from `OuputType` to `Maybe OutputType`:
-}
-- new imports
import Data.Maybe (Maybe(...))
data Maybe_ a  -- a type that indicates an instance of 'a' might exist
 = Nothing_ -- a box with nothing in it (empty box) | Just_ a -- a box with 'just' an instance of "a" in it
`Maybe` is often used in situations where
  - a function might return `null`.
  - we don't need to do anything with the error itself.
Using our example of division:
  | Expression | Explanation | 00 returns | FP returns |
  | Invalid value | null
                                          | Nothing
The following function, safeDivision, demonstrates this:
-}
-- No matter what arguments you pass into this,
-- you will always get a value out
safeDivision :: Int -> Int -> Maybe Int
safeDivision _ 0 = Nothing -- x / 0
safeDivision x y = Just (x / y)
```

## 03-Via-Either-String.purs

```
module PartialFunctions.ViaEitherString where
import Prelude
-- new imports
import Data.Either (Either(...))
-- `Maybe` is useful when we don't care about the error.
-- However, what if we do? In such cases, we use `Either:`
data Either_ a b -- a type that is either 'a' or 'b'
 = Left_ a -- the 'a' / failure type
  Right_ b -- the 'b' / success type
In this next example, we'll use a different way to notify the user
that the user attempted to divide by zero. Rather than returning `Nothing`
for the "divide by zero" error, we'll return a String with the error message.
-}
safeDivision :: Int -> Int -> Either String Int
safeDivision _ 0 = Left "Error: Attempted to divide by zero!"
safeDivision x y = Right (x / y)
```

## 04-Via-Either-ErrorType.purs

```
module PartialFunctions. Via Either Error Type where
import Prelude
import Data.Either (Either(...))
The previous file demonstrates how to use "Either String a" for error handling.
The problem with this approach is that the error type isn't type-safe.
In other words, why use Strings when we could define our own error types?
Creating our own error types has these benefits:
  - Less bugs / runtime errors: the program works or it fails to compile
  - Self-documenting errors: all possible errors (instances) are grouped
      under a human-readable type, not an error number that requires a lookup,
      or a String that is subject to modification
Thus, we'll define a type for our DivisionError:
data DivisionError = DividedByZero
-- Then we'll make it printable to the screen
instance Show DivisionError where
  show DividedByZero = "Error: you attempted to divide by zero!"
-- We'll update `safeDivision` to return the error type rather than a String
safeDivision :: Int -> Int -> Either DivisionError Int
safeDivision _ 0 = Left DividedByZero
safeDivision x y = Right (x / y)
```

## **05-Via-Refined-Types.purs**

```
module PartialFunctions.ViaRefinedTypes where
import Prelude
import Data.Either (Either(...))
Rather than making our function take any `Int` as its second argument,
why not guarantee that the second argument is not a zero?
Thus, we can 'refine' our `Int` type using a newtype to insure
that it is non-zero:
-}
newtype NonZeroInt = NonZero Int
safeDivision :: Int -> NonZeroInt -> Int
safeDivision x (NonZero y) = x / y
{-
To create an instance of `NonZeroInt`, we still need to use
a function that verifies that our `Int` is really non-zero.
-}
mkNonZeroInt :: Int -> Either NonZeroIntError NonZeroInt
mkNonZeroInt 0 = Left IntWasZero
mkNonZeroInt x = Right x
data NonZeroIntError = IntWasZero
-- Then we'll make it printable to the screen
instance Show NonZeroIntError where
  show IntWasZero = "Error: the integer was 0."
```

#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

# **Using Variant-Based Errors**

See The Problem with Typed Errors.

You might consider using purescript-veither.

#### **Via Default Values**

Unfortunately, the domain problem of safe division is not an example for how "default value" approach can convert a partial function into a total function.

So instead, we'll use the example of getting the first element in a linked list. In situations where the list is empty, it will throw an exception:

```
-- partial function
head :: List Int -> Int
head Nil = -- Exception!
head (Cons head tail) = head
```

To make the function total, we can provide a value to return in such cases:

```
-- total function
headOrDefault :: List Int -> Int
headOrDefault Nil default = default -- no more exceptions!
headOrDefault (Cons head tail) _ = head
```

## **What Are Phantom Types**

Phantom Types come in two forms:

- 1. a data type without any values
- 2. a generic type that is declared in type's definition that is never used in its data constructors

```
    -- 1. ReadOnly has no values data ReadOnly
    -- 2. `unusedType` is never used in Data's data constructor data Data unusedType = Data
```

## Why Are PhantomTypes Useful?

See Motivation behind Phantom Types for a quick overview before looking below for some examples.

- Use a phantom type to restrict what a developer can do with a type
  - ST uses a Region type to prevent local mutation from escaping some scope.
- Use a phantom type to restrict how a developer can use a function
  - See "Restricting ArgumentTypes.purs"
  - See Pathy, which uses them to track the distinctions of relative/absolute file paths and of file/directory
- Use phantom types to estimate the state of "the real world" in a monadic computation:
  - Search for an explanation of Indexed Monads
- Use phantom types to "save" proofs
  - Watch Ghosts of Departed Proofs (not the best video quality, but very interesting ideas)

# 02-Restricting-Argument-Types.purs

```
-- This file demonstrates how the second form of phantom types
-- can restrict us to writing better and safer code
module KeyValueProblem
 (
    Attribute
  , attribute
  ) where
newtype Attribute = Attribute { key :: String, value :: String }
-- convenience constructor
attribute :: String -> String -> Attribute
attribute key value = Attribute { key, value }
infix 4 attribute as :=
-- This will successfully compile when it shouldn't, leading to problems
-- later on during runtime.
example :: Array Attribute
example =
  [ "width" := "not a valid number"
  , "height" := "not a valid number"
  , "style" := "not a valid style"
  ]
-- The problem is that the `width` function should specify
-- a valid type for its second parameter, one that can also be turned
-- into a String.
-- Let's show an example that doesn't use Phantom Types first
-- before showing why they are a better solution
module FirstPossibleSolution
  (
    Attribute
  , width
  , height
  , style
  , Style(...)
  ) where
newtype Attribute = Attribute { key :: String, value :: String }
-- This time, we're not going to export the smart constructor 'attribute'
-- Rather, we'll change its type signture and export wrappers around it
-- assume there are instances of Show for Int and Style
class Show a where
  show :: a -> String
-- Read "given a string and any value that can be turned into a string"
```

```
attribute :: forall a. Show a => String -> a -> Attribute
attribute key value = Attribute { key: key, value: show value }
-- new smart constructor
width :: Int -> Attribute
width = attribute "width"
-- new smart constructor
height :: Int -> Attribute
height = attribute "height"
data Style = Normal | Bold | Italic
-- new smart constructor
style :: Style -> Attribute
style = attribute "style"
-- This gets rid of our runtime issues, but it makes things less readable
-- as we have now lost the "key := value" syntax.
-- Now, we have to use a less-readible "key value" syntax
example :: Array Attribute
example =
  [ width 40
  , height 200
  , style Bold
  ]
-- How can we get the "key := value" syntax back? We want a syntax like
-- `width := 400`. To get that, attribute needs to somehow force the second
-- parameter to be a specific type based on the first parameter it receives.
-- This is where Phantom Types come to the rescue
module PhantomTypes
  (
    Attribute
  , width
  , height
  , style
  , Style(...)
  ) where
newtype Attribute = Attribute { key :: String, value :: String }
-- assume there are instances of Show for Int and Style
class Show a where
  show :: a -> String
-- A phantom type is a type defined in the type
-- but not used in its instances / constructors
data TheType phantomType = Constructor String
```

```
-- In our case, we can write:
newtype AttributeKey desiredValueType = AttributeKey String
-- Let's update attribute to use the phantom type to restrict
-- what the second parameter can be in our function. Recall that
-- "a" in this situation means "desired value type":
attribute :: forall a. Show a => AttributeKey a -> a -> Attribute
attribute (AttributeKey key) value =
  Attribute { key: key, value: show value }
infix 4 attribute as :=
-- Now, we can update width's type signature to force its
-- expected argument to be an int
width :: AttributeKey Int
width = AttributeKey "width"
height :: AttributeKey Int
height = AttributeKey "height"
data Style = Normal | Bold | Italic
-- and the same for style
style :: AttributeKey Style
style = AttributeKey "style"
-- Alright!
example :: Array Attribute
example =
  [ width := 40
  , height := 200
  , style := Bold
```

## Records: Use Type, Data, or Newtype?

Short answer: use type

**Type:** ideal, but defining typeclass instances on it requires defining it for all records, which is usually not what you want.

```
type TypedRecord = { anInt :: Int }
```

**Newtype:** use if you need a type class instance and you only need to wrap a single record

```
newtype NewtypedRecord = NR { anInt :: Int }
```

**Data:** use if you need a type class instance and you need to wrap a record AND something else. Unfortunately, this will perform unboxing during runtime.

```
data DataRecord = DR { anInt :: Int } { aString :: String }
```

## **A Better TODO**

Many times, when we are modeling an application's domain, we are focusing on the type signatures for the function's we'll need instead of how we'll implement them. Thus, we might end up writing something like this:

```
-- TODO: implement this later
someFunctionName :: Int -> Int -> SpecialDomainType
someFunctionName _ = unsafeCoerce
```

It might be better to output a compiler warning at the type-level and throw an exception at the value-level:

unsafeThrow is found in the purescript-exceptions package.

# **Boolean Blindness**

Watch Stephen Pimentel- Boolean Blindness Explained for Beginners in Haskell- λC 2019

## Fairbairn Threshold

The Fairbairn threshold is the point at which the effort of looking up or keeping track of the definition is outweighed by the effort of rederiving it or inlining it. (Source: https://wiki.haskell.org/Fairbairn\_threshold)

Or, why it's not worth it to try to reduce boilerplate by naming every possible variation of something.

## **Keyword Argument Pattern**

This is used in a number of libraries throughout PureScript. For example:

- Halogen's H.defaultEval value
- node-child-process's pipe value
- Affjax's defaultRequest value

The basic idea is that the library author provides a record that stores default values that do nothing, so that end-users can override only the values they need in a record update:

```
-- Library author writes this...

type Options =
    { directory :: String
    , port :: Int
    , logLevel :: LogLevel
    }

defaultOptions :: Options
defaultOptions =
    { directory: "."
    , port: 8080
    , logLevel: Error
    }

-- User overrides where they need it
foo :: Effect Unit
foo = do
    doSomethingWith $ defaultOptions { port = 2020 }
    doSomethingWith $ defaultOptions { directory = "app/", logLevel: Warn }
```

See Superpowered keyword args in Haskell - Ben Kovach

## **Project Prelude**

where AppPrelude.purs looks like this:

If you ever find yourself thinking, "I wish <ModuleName> was in Prelude," or "I wish I didn't have to import <ModuleName> in each PureScript file," this design pattern is for you.

PureScript files can often have a lot of lines for just the import statements. While it makes it easier to see which function is being used in a given file, it can be tedious to import everything, even with tooling that enables auto-importing.

However, most projects and applications will define a project-specific Prelude to be used just in that project. Rather than typing something like this in each of your files:

```
import Prelude
 import Effect (Effect)
 import Effect.Class (class MonadEffect, liftEffect)
 import Effect.Aff (Aff, launchAff_)
 import Effect.Aff.Class (class MonadAff, liftAff)
 import Control.Monad.Reader.Class (class MonadReader, ask, local)
 import Control.Monad.State.Class (class MonadState, get, put, modify_)
 import Data.Array ((:), (!!))
 import Data.Bifunctor (class Bifunctor, bimap, lmap, rmap)
 import Data.Maybe (Maybe(...), maybe, fromJust)
 import Data.Newtype (class Newtype, un)
 import Data.Generic.Rep (class Generic)
 import Data.Either (Either(..), either, fromLeft, fromRight)
 import Data.Foldable (foldl, fold, foldr, any, all, sum, product, foldM, for_,
 traverse_)
 import Data.Traversable (for, traverse, scanl, scanr)
 -- actual code below this
You might type this in your file:
 import AppPrelude
 -- actual code below this
```

module AppPrelude (module Exports) where -- Export the things we care about import Effect (Effect) as Exports import Effect.Class (class MonadEffect, liftEffect) as Exports import Effect.Aff (Aff, launchAff\_) as Exports import Effect.Aff.Class (class MonadAff, liftAff) as Exports import Control.Monad.Reader.Class (class MonadReader, ask, local) as Exports import Control.Monad.State.Class (class MonadState, get, put, modify\_) as **Exports** import Data.Array ((:), (!!)) as Exports import Data.Bifunctor (class Bifunctor, bimap, lmap, rmap) as Exports import Data.Maybe (Maybe(..), maybe, fromJust) as Exports import Data. Newtype (class Newtype, un) as Exports import Data.Generic.Rep (class Generic) as Exports import Data. Either (Either(..), either, from Left, from Right) as Exports import Data.Foldable (foldl, fold, foldr, any, all, sum, product, foldM, for\_, traverse\_) as Exports import Data. Traversable (for, traverse, scanl, scanr) as Exports -- Re-export what the Prelude module (as of prelude v4.1.1) rexports: https://github.com/purescript/purescript-prelude/blob/v4.1.1/src/Prelude.purs import Control.Applicative (class Applicative, pure, liftA1, unless, when) as **Exports** import Control.Apply (class Apply, apply, (\*>), (<\*), (<\*>)) as Exports import Control.Bind (class Bind, bind, class Discard, discard, ifM, join, (<=<), (=<<), (>=>), (>>=)) as Exports import Control.Category (class Category, identity) as Exports import Control.Monad (class Monad, ap, liftM1, unlessM, whenM) as Exports import Control.Semigroupoid (class Semigroupoid, compose, (<<<), (>>>)) as Exports import Data.Boolean (otherwise) as Exports import Data.BooleanAlgebra (class BooleanAlgebra) as Exports import Data.Bounded (class Bounded, bottom, top) as Exports import Data.CommutativeRing (class CommutativeRing) as Exports import Data.DivisionRing (class DivisionRing, recip) as Exports import Data.Eq (class Eq, eq, notEq, (/=), (==)) as Exports import Data. Euclidean Ring (class Euclidean Ring, degree, div, mod, (/), gcd, lcm) as Exports import Data. Field (class Field) as Exports import Data. Function (const, flip, (\$), (#)) as Exports import Data.Functor (class Functor, flap, map, void, (\$>), (<#>), (<\$), (<\$>), (<@>)) as Exports import Data.HeytingAlgebra (class HeytingAlgebra, conj, disj, not, (&&), (||)) as Exports import Data. Monoid (class Monoid, mempty) as Exports import Data.NaturalTransformation (type (~>)) as Exports import Data.Ord (class Ord, compare, (<), (<=), (>), (>=), comparing, min, max, clamp, between) as Exports import Data.Ordering (Ordering(...)) as Exports import Data.Ring (class Ring, negate, sub, (-)) as Exports

```
import Data.Semigroup (class Semigroup, append, (<>)) as Exports
import Data.Semiring (class Semiring, add, mul, one, zero, (*), (+)) as Exports
import Data.Show (class Show, show) as Exports
import Data.Unit (Unit, unit) as Exports
import Data.Void (Void, absurd) as Exports
```

## **Internal Modules**

Modules that end with Internal are modules that one shouldn't use in most cases. They tend to provide access to the "guts" of things without the same guarantees or safety as non-Internal modules. However, they can be necessary when one module needs access to something (e.g. for performance reasons) that must exist in another module.

See these links for more info:

- SO answer
- SO answer
- PR concerning the NonEmptyString constructor being exposed
- Reddit thread

## **Generics**

Have you ever written boilerplate when implementing an instance for a type class (e.g. show) and thought, "Surely, there must be a better/faster way!" Generics is the answer to your problems.

Here's the basic idea behind Generics:

- 1. You, the end developer, define a data type in your application and use the compiler to derive a Generic type class instance.
- 2. A library developer defines a function that can implement an instance for a given type class (e.g. Show, BoundedEnum, etc.) for all possible types.
- 3. You use the library developer's function to implement your data type's instance for a type class.

Great! So how does it work?

The compiler can define two functions, to and from. to converts your data type (i.e. MyType) to a new data type (let's say CompilerRepresentationType for lack of a better name) that has a different structure than your data type but stores the same information. from converts a value of CompilerRepresentationType back into a value of MyType. These two functions abide by one law: (from (to myDataTypeValue)) == myDataTypeValue

The library developer writes a function that can implement an instance for the desired type class (e.g. Show, BoundedEnum) that works on CompilerRepresentationType. Generics works by first converting your data type into CompilerRepresentationType, then uses the library developer's function to implement the instance, and then converts the resulting value of the CompilerRepresentationType type back into your original type (i.e. MyType).

Put visually, read things from left to right as a timeline of events:

```
MyType --> CompilerRepresentationType ==> CompilerRepresentationType ~~> MyType
```

where --> is where the compiler converts your type into the "same-info, different structure" type via the derived to function from the Generic type class ==> is the library developer's function that implements the instance ~~> is where the compiler converts the "same-info, different structure" type back into your type via the derived from function from the Generic type class

To understand how the compiler produces CompilerRepresentationType and how the library developer writes their function, read @hdgarrood's "Making full use of PureScript's

PureScript: Jordan's Reference

Generic type class"

#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

# **Stack-Safety**

While the contents in this folder try to explain stack-safety clearly, Nathan Faubion recorded a recent talk that explains things in a very clear bottom-up way, including how we get the definition of Trampoline. See Taming the Stack.

## **Explicit Tail-Call Optimization**

#### An Example of Stack-Unsafe Code

In FP, we often use recursive functions to solve problems:

- changing all elements in a container-like type (e.g. List, Tree, Array, etc.) from one thing to another
- running some computation and, if it fails, retrying it again until it succeeds

For example, the below factorial function calculates its result by calling itself recursively.

```
factorial :: Int -> Int
factorial n = n * (factorial (n - 1))
```

However, this design choice comes with an annoying problem: stack-safety. While this recursive function will theoretically always "return," the number of stacks it takes depends on its input. Unfortunately, computers have limited resources and cannot always provide the total number of stacks such a function needs. If we call <code>factorial</code> with a "large" enough input (e.g. <code>99999</code>), the computer will "blow the stack" and produce a StackOverflow runtime error.

So, how do we prevent this?

# Tail-Call Optimization for Pure Functions via the Last Branch

Our first defense against this is "tail-call optimization." In short, we indicate that a recursive function should be converted into a stack-friendly while loop. When writing simple recursive functions, we can trigger the tail-call optimization only if we call the function recursively in the final "branch." For example, if we rewrote the above computation to store the "accumulated value" as another argument to the function, then we could call the function recursively in the last branch:

```
factorial :: Int -> Int
factorial n = go n 1
  where
  go :: StartingInt -> AccumulatedInt -> AccumulatedInt
  go 1 finalResult = finalResult
  go loopsRemaining accumulatedSoFar =
    go (loopsRemaining - 1) (loopsRemaining * accumulatedSoFar)
```

If we called factorial 4, this is how the code would execute where each line is another loop in the while loop:

```
go 4 1

go (4 - 1) (4 * 1)

go (4 - 1 - 1) (3 * 4 * 1)

go (4 - 1 - 1 - 1) (2 * 3 * 4 * 1)

go (4 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1) (1 * 2 * 3 * 4 * 1)

go (1) (24)
```

# Tail-Call Optimization for Pure Functions via Multiple Branches

The above recursive function is stack-safe only because the recursion occurs once in the last pattern match branch. However, what if we had multiple branches where we needed to call it recursively? In such situations, the tail-call optimization won't be triggered.

Recursive functions always have a "base case" that ends the recursion and a "recursive case" that continues it. In PureScript, we use a special function called tailRec alongside of a data type called Step to achieve stack-safety at the cost of some performance. Step indicates whether our function has finished (base case) or needs to continue looping (recursive case):

```
data Step accumulatedValue finalValue
  -- recursive case: keep looping
  = Loop accumulatedValue
  -- base case: we're done; it's time to return a value
  | Done finalValue
```

Here is our previous stack-safe factorial function:

```
factorial :: Int -> Int
factorial n = go n 1
  where
  go :: StartingInt -> AccumulatedInt -> AccumulatedInt
  go 1 finalResult = finalResult
  go loopsRemaining accumulatedSoFar =
    go (loopsRemaining - 1) (loopsRemaining * accumulatedSoFar)
```

Here is the same implementation via tailRec:

Let's write the same function but utilize more branches without losing stack-safety. In the below example, if one calls factorial 1, factorial 2, or factorial 3, the function will return in one "loop." If one calls factorial n where n is greater than 3, the function will return in 2 less loops than our previous implementation at the cost of more checks per loop:

#### **Tail-Call Optimization for Monadic Computations**

But what happens when we need to run a side-effectful monadic computation recursively? For example, let's say we wanted to print the same message to the console a specific number of times and then stop:

```
printMessageAndLoop :: Int -> Effect Unit
printMessageAndLoop 0 = pure unit
printMessageAndLoop loopsRemaining = do
   log "Printing a message to the console!"
   printMessageAndLoop (loopsRemaining - 1)
main :: Effect Unit
main = printMessageAndLoop 10000
```

Fortunately, we can use the MonadRec type class' tailRecM function.

The only change from above is that now we wrap the returned Step data type in the monadic type.

In other words:

Once again, our original stack-unsafe code:

```
printMessageAndLoop :: Effect Unit
printMessageAndLoop 0 = pure unit
printMessageAndLoop loopsRemaining = do
    log "Printing a message to the console!"
    printMessageAndLoop (loopsRemaining - 1)

main :: Effect Unit
main = printMessageAndLoop 10000
```

Now our modified stack-safe code:

### Using PureScript-Safely

Let's say you wrote some recursive code and then later realized that it's not stack-safe. Let's also say that you have to use MonadRec to make it stack-safe. If you want to make the code stack-safe without modifying it, you could use the purescript-safely library.

As @hdgarrood points out:

The benefit is that you can take existing code which uses monadic recursion in a potentially stack-unsafe way and have it work without having to modify that code. (source)

For example, see safely.

However, this comes with a tradeoff. @hdgarrood also states:

[purescript-safely] is probably one of the simplest ways of making a recursive monadic computation stack-safe, but probably has some of the highest overheads too. (source)

### Three Caveats of Using tailRecM

There are two main drawbacks to MonadRec:

- Performance: there's additional overhead because we have to box and unbox the Loop / Done data constructors
- Support: as MonadRec 's documentation implies, not all monadic types support tail-call optimization. Only some monadic types can do this.

The third caveat is that tailRecM isn't always heap-safe. Responding to another's question in the PureScript chatroom:

the tailRecM basically moves the stack usage you'd usually get for recursion onto the heap. If you use too much, you run out of heapspace. I'd suggest taking a heap snapshot before [your code] explodes (I think there's an --inspect flag for node) and seeing what's taking up that space. If it's the JSON structure you're building up, you'll need to write it out in chunks, so you can free up some memory for your process. Or if it's the tailRecM allocations, you can look into not using tailRecM and using Refs + whileE / forE to write Effect code that doesn't hold on to thunks.

We'll cover the Refs + whileE / forE in a later section.

## **Use** Trampoline

Another solution is to use laziness. **Note: this approach still trades stack for heap and is possibly head-unsafe.** 

You'll "suspend" the computation in a "thunk" (i.e. let thunk =  $\ -\$  valueWeNeed) that we can later evaluate by "forcing the thunk" (i.e. thunk unit). Such a solution is provided via Trampoline

Putting it into more familiar terms:

Step a b data constructor	Trampoline 's corresponding function
Done finalValue	done finalValue
Loop accumulator	delay \> accumulator

Similarly, tailRecM corresponds to runTrampoline.

## Use Mutable State (Refs) and while E/untilE/for E

As the previous comment suggested, you might want to call a spade a spade and just admit that you need to use mutable state. In such a situation, look at...

the Ref type and its related functions

- PureScript: Jordan's Reference
  - whileE
  - untilE
  - forE

# A Note on Aff

Aff is stack-safe by default. So, we don't need to pay for the overhead of Step.

# **Defunctionalization**

Or converting recursive stack-unsafe code into stack-safe code

#### See these resources:

- Don't Think, Just Defunctionalize
- The reasonable effectivness of the ConT monad
- The best refactoring you've never heard of

#### The rest of this page will do two things:

- 1. Provide a few examples showing the simple but stack-unsafe code and its corresponding stack-safe but complex code.
- 2. Provide general principles to follow to help you figure out how to write stack-safe code for any given situation.

# **Stack-Safety: Opening Example**

The below examples move from simple to more complex. Start with the first one to get a general idea, make sure you understand it well, and only then move on to the next example.

### Mapping a list from the last element to the first

Let's say one had to change every element in a List a from type a to b. You're thinking, "That's easy. We'll just use map." Correct.

But, let's add a new constraint: you must change the elements in a specific order. The first element you need to change is the last one in the list and the last element you should change is the first element in the list. In other words, a list like 4:3:2:1: Nil should have 1 changed first and 4 changed last.

"Phwah!" you say. "I'll just use reverse <<< map f <<< reverse and call it a day!" As easy as that is to write, that will iterate through the list 3 times. Not the most performant thing in the world.

So, you might write something like the following stack-unsafe code which iterates through a list twice, once as it descends down the list, and once as it ascends back up the list while constructing the returned value:

```
mapLastElemFirst_unsafe :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> List a -> List b
mapLastElemFirst_unsafe f = case _ of
  Nil -> Nil
  Cons h tail -> do
   let newTail = mapLastElemFirst_unsafe f tail -- stack unsafe!
   Cons (f h) newTail
```

While the above code is short and easy to read, it'll also cause a stack-overflow error if you give it a large enough list.

A stack-safe version of the above code might look like this. Unfortunately, it's not as easy to read if you're not familiar with this style of writing. However, it only iterates through the list twice, similar to the stack-unsafe version, and it will never throw a stack-overflow error:

```
mapLastElemFirst_safe :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> List a -> List b
mapLastElemFirst_safe f ls = go Nil (Left ls)
 where
  -- To keep track of "where" we are in the data structure, we'll
  -- maintain our own stack of what else still needs to be done.
  -- `Left` values represent items in the tree we haven't yet examined
  -- and/or changed.
  -- `Right` values represent either the final list or the current state
  -- of the final list as we are constructing it.
  go :: List a
    -> Either (List a) (List b)
    -> List b
  go stack = case _ of
    Left (Cons h tail) ->
      -- we've hit the next element in the list
      -- remember, we can't modify the value of type `a`
      -- represented by `h` by calling `f h` because
      -- this might not be the last element.
      go (h : stack) (Left tail)
    Left Nil ->
      -- we've hit the end of the list
      -- we can now start consuming the stack we've created
      go stack $ Right Nil
    Right val ->
      -- `val` is either the final list or a portion of that final list
      -- because we're still constructing it.
      case stack of
        -- `a` is the element next closest to the end of the original list.
        -- We've already changed all elements after it
        -- so we can now map it's type from `a` to `b`.
        Cons a rest -> do
          let b = f a
          go rest $ Right (b : val)
        -- the stack is now empty; there's no more elements to map.
        -- So, we return the final value
        Nil -> val
```

To see the unsafe version fail and the safe version succeed with the same large input, see the Writing Stack-Safe Code - Part 1.

### Zipping two lists together with one in reverse

While the previous example is not the most realistic thing ever, it does set us up for the next twist. Let's say you need to zip two lists together where one has values in the opposite order

```
(e.g. 4:3:2:1:Nil) and the other has values in the normal order (e.g. 1:2:3:4:Nil). Your goal is to get the following (Tuple 1:1): (Tuple 2:2): (Tuple 3:3): (Tuple 4:4): Nil.
```

You're right. Calling something like zipOpposingOrder revList normList = zip (reverse revList) normList might be the easier and better thing to do. Still, you might have some circumstances where a variation of this idea forces you to do things differently. Fortunately, our example above only needs to change slightly.

The stack-unsafe code:

```
zipOpposingOrder_unsafe :: forall a b. List a -> List b -> Maybe (List (Tuple a
zipOpposingOrder_unsafe revList normalList = map snd $ go revList normalList
 go :: List a -> List b -> Maybe (Tuple (List a) (List (Tuple a b)))
  go revRemaining normalRemaining = case normalRemaining of
     Just $ Tuple revRemaining Nil
   Cons headB tail -> do
      -- We're using the Maybe monad here to make this easier to read.
     -- A `Nothing` will be produced if the normal list had more elements
     -- than reversed one did at this particular level or
     -- if either one of the lists did at a deeper level
     -- finish zipping the tail first and return the remaining
      -- elements from the `revRemaining` list
     Tuple newRevRemaining newTail <- go revRemaining tail
     -- if the `newRevRemaining` has a value, zip it with this
      -- level's value, and return the tail for the parent's
     -- computation (if any)
      { head: headA, tail: revTail } <- uncons newRevRemaining
      pure $ Tuple revTail $ Cons (Tuple headA headB) newTail
```

Again, the above code is straight forward, but it'll cause a stack-overflow error if you give it a large enough input.

A stack-safe version of the above code might look like this:

```
zipOpposingOrder_safe :: forall a b. List a -> List b -> Maybe (List (Tuple a
zipOpposingOrder_safe reveredList normalList = go reveredList Nil (Left
normalList)
 where
  -- To keep track of "where" we are in the data structure, we'll
  -- maintain our own stack of what else still needs to be done.
  -- `Left` values represent items in the normal list we haven't yet changed.
  -- They will appear in a reversed order when we start consuming them.
  -- `Right` values will either be the final list or the current state
  -- of the final list as it is being built.
  go :: List a
    -> List b
     -> Either (List b) (List (Tuple a b))
    -> Maybe (List (Tuple a b))
  go revList stack = case _ of
    Left (Cons head tail) ->
      -- we've hit the next element in the list
      -- remember, we can't merge the head value yet
      -- because it might not be the last element.
      go revList (head : stack) (Left tail)
    Left Nil ->
      -- we've hit the end of the normal list
      -- we can now start consuming the stack we've created
      go revList stack $ Right Nil
    Right val ->
      -- `val` is either the end of the final list (i.e. `Nil`)
      -- or the current state of the final list since we're
      -- still in the process of creating it.
      -- We need to look at the stack to see what to do
      case stack of
        -- `b` is the element next closest to the end of the normal list
        -- so we can now zip it together with the revList's next element
        -- (if it exists)
        Cons b restB -> case revList of
          Cons a restA ->
            go restA restB $ Right $ (Tuple a b) : val
          Nil ->
            Nothing -- more elems in normalList than in reversedList
        -- the stack is now empty, so we return the final list
        -- (assuming there wasn't any other values left in the reverse list).
        Nil -> case revList of
          Nil -> Just val
          Cons _ _ -> Nothing -- more elems in reversedList than in normalList
```

To see the unsafe version fail and the safe version succeed with the same large input, see

the Writing Stack-Safe Code - Part 2.

### Topologically sorting a graph

See topologicalSort from purescript-graphs. We'll cover the types first and then explain each step in the computation.

First, SortState stores 1) the final result that will be returned, which is either the final list or the current state of that still-being-constructed final list, and 2) the map of not yet visited keys. For this version of an FP graph, the map keys are directed edges that point towards a vertex and all other edges to which the vertex is connected and points. These keys will be removed from the map after they have been visited.

Second, SortStep indicates two actions via defunctionalization:

- Visit means add the current key (i.e. edge) to the returned list and then add all of the edges coming out of the vertex to the stack, so that they can be visited, too.
- Emit means the key has already been visited and doesn't need to be checked again. Rather, add it to the final list that will be returned

Below is a general explanation of the control flow:

- 1. Visit the first smallest key. Indicate that the key should be added to the final list via Emit and indicate that all of its relationships should be examined via Visit, remove the key from the keys map, then loop.
- 2. Visit the first key's first relationship. If it hasn't already been visited, do the same as step 1. If it has been visited, just loop.
- 3. At some point, the first key and all of its relationships will have been visited, and the stack will be a topologically-sorted list in reverse. All of its values will be Emit key. For example, it may store, Emit 5: Emit 4: Emit 3: Emit 2: Emit 1: Nil, when the final list should be 1: 2: 3: 4: 5: Nil.
- 4. Now the stack is reversed, producing the final topologically-sorted list and storing it in result .
- 5. Since the stack is empty, the visit loop stops. We return to the go loop and find the next smallest key, repeating steps 1 5.
- 6. At some point, there are no more smallest keys because all keys have been visited. Thus, we get a Nothing in the go loop and we return the result, which is now a topologically-sorted list.

# **Principles**

- Write a simpler stack-safe function that isn't performant (e.g. reverse <<< map f <<< reverse )</li>
- 2. Once you know you need the performance, write a stack-unsafe function first that solves the problem
- 3. Make the function tail-recursive by calling the same function on every possible path except one
- 4. Use defunctionalization to indicate what should happen in each loop.
  - Is it easier to read if you use explicit data constructors (e.g. Visit and Emit in the above graph example) or do you just need to distinguish between two states (e.g. Either in the above mapLastElemFirs List examples)?
- 5. Write the code "in order" of how it would execute. First X occurs, then Y, then Z.
- 6. Figure out what the stack should look like.
  - Is it a simple List a or something more complicated like List (Either a b)?

# 23-Voidable-Sum-Type.purs

```
module DesignPatterns.VoidableSumType where
{-
A pattern I have seen used in PureScript's `CST` parser and in `Dhall` is
that I will refer to as the "Voidable Sum Type" design pattern.
Let's say you have a type that has 3 data constructors
-}
data AnExampleSumType_Base
  = DataConstructor_Base1
  DataConstructor_Base2
  DataConstructor_Base3
{-
Let's say in one situation, you need all three data constructors. Let's say in
another
situation, you only need the first and second data constructors. Due to the
situation, most will just define two types. For example
-}
data AnExampleSumType_OneTwoThree
  = DataConstructor1a
  DataConstructor2a
  | DataConstructor3a
data AnExampleSumType_OneTwo
  = DataConstructor1b
  DataConstructor2b
{-
While defining a second sum type (i.e. `AnExampleSumType_OneTwo`) works, it's
not ideal
when the third data constructor should be usable in one situation and
uninhabitable in another.
There's an alternative way to achieve the same thing but without defining two
different types:
-}
-- First, you define a sum type that has a type parameter on one of the data
constructors:
data AnExampleSumType3 param
  = DataConstructor1
  DataConstructor2
  | DataConstructor3 param
```

```
-- To implement `AnExampleSumType_OneTwo`, you set the `param` to `Void`,
making it impossible for the `DataConstructor3`
-- data constructor to ever exist (assuming one doesn't "unsafeCoerce"
something) because one can never provide a
-- value of type `Void`.
type AnExampleSumType_OneTwo' = AnExampleSumType3 Void
-- Likewise, to implement `AnExampleSumType_OneTwoThree`, you set the `param`
to `Unit`.
-- While it was impossible with `Void` before to construct the third data
constructor, that's no longer the case with `Unit`:
type AnExampleSumType_OneTwoThree' = AnExampleSumType3 Unit
-- For a few ideas for how this could be uesful, consider `Either3`.
-- See https://pursuit.purescript.org/packages/purescript-either/5.0.0/docs/
Data.Either.Nested#t:Either3
type Either3 a b c = Either a (Either b (Either c Unit))
-- The downside to the approach above is that the `c` case is nested in two
`Left` constructors, leading
-- to some unnecessary traversals. One could define this same type without such
traversals
-- by defining it using the "Voidable Sum Type" pattern:
data Either10 a b c d e h i j k l
  = Either1 a
  | Either2 b
  | Either3 c
  | Either4 d
  | Either5 e
  | Either6 h
  | Either7 i
  | Either8 j
  | Either9 k
  | Either10 l
type Either3 a b c = Either10 a b c Void Void Void Void Void Void Void
either3 :: forall a b c r. (a -> r) -> (b -> r) -> (c -> r) -> Either3 a b c ->
either3 do1 do2 do3 = case _ of
  Either1 a -> do1 a
  Either2 b -> do2 b
  Either3 c -> do3 c
  Either4 d -> absurd d
 Either5 e -> absurd e
  Either6 h -> absurd h
  Either7 i -> absurd i
  Either8 j -> absurd j
  Either9 k -> absurd k
  Either10 l -> absurd l
```

{-

Using `Either10` above as an example, you can likely see the tradeoffs with defining such a type.

For real life examples, consider these usage:

- PureScript's `Comment` type, which guarantees that the comments before a given source token

might have some newlines, but that comments afte the source token cannot have any newlines.

See:

- https://github.com/purescript/purescript/blob/master/lib/purescript-cst/ src/Language/PureScript/CST/Types.hs#L30-L37
- https://github.com/purescript/purescript/blob/master/lib/purescript-cst/ src/Language/PureScript/CST/Types.hs#L41-L42
- Dhall's `Expr` type, which uses the "Voided Sum Type" pattern twice in the same type.

The first usage determines whether or not source spans are included in the data constructor values

The second usage determines whether the `Embed` constructor, storing a value that represents

an imported Dhall expression, either may exist in the parsed expression or definitely

does NOT exist in the parsed expression.

- https://hackage.haskell.org/package/dhall-1.40.1/docs/DhallCore.html#t:Expr -}

# **Applicative Data Validation**

Or how to validate data using Applicatives.

The following provides a quicker summary of the same chapter in Purescript By Example. However, one should read the chapter if they are not already familiar with this concept.

## **Possible Choices**

Data Validation usually "returns" two of four values:

- 1. the validated data
- 2. the first error encountered, whether or not the yet-to-be-validated data after it was valid or not, and...
  - o a) ... we don't care what the error was
  - ob) ... we do care what the error was
- 3. all the errors encountered after attempting to validate all parts of the data

Which Applicative type we use depends on what which of the two values we want:

What we want	What we use
1 & 2a	Maybe
1 & 2b	Either
1 & 3	V

The difference between Either and V is their implementation of Apply. Either's apply does not combine two errors together via a Semigroup constraint like V's apply

### The Pattern

To validate data, it follows this idea:

```
mkData :: forall a b. a -> a -> b
mkData arg1 arg2 = B_Constructor arg1 arg2
isValidM :: Arg -> Maybe Unit
isValidM invalidArg = Nothing
isValidM validArg = pure unit
isValidE :: Arg -> Either Error Unit
isValidE invalidArg = Left Error
isValidE validArg = pure unit
isValidV :: Arg -> V (Array Error) Unit
isValidV invalidArg = V $ Left Error
isValidV validArg = pure unit
validateData :: Args -> Maybe ValidData
validateData :: Args -> Either Error ValidData
validateData :: Args -> V (Array Error) ValidData
validateData a =
  mkData <$> (isValid a.arg1 *> pure a.arg1)
         <*> (isValid a.arg2 *> pure a.arg2)
        <*> (isValid a.argN *> pure a.argN)
```

I'm not sure how useful this will be, but I thought I'd put it here: Lazy Validation

# **Parsing**

This file will store various links related to parsing.

For a good introduction to parsing text via parser combinators, the approach used in FP instead of regular expressions, see Monadic Parsing at the input boundary.

# **Left Recursion Problem**

See https://github.com/glebec/left-recursion for a clear explanation of this problem and its solution

# **Miscellaneous Papers**

- Design Patterns for Parser Combinators (Functional Pearl)
- Parsec: try a <|> b considered harmful

# **Serialization via Codecs**

There are generally two ways to do serialization in FP languages

- 1. Use type classes (e.g. purescript-argonaut-\* / simple-json)
- 2. Use handwritten profunctor-based code (e.g. purescript-codec-\*)
- 3. Generate codecs (type-class or value-based codecs) via tidy-codegen

Of the two approaches, I prefer the second one, largely because of the reasons explained in Thoughts on Type Class Codecs.

# **Free Data Structures**

By "Free" data structures, we mean data structures that model the members of some type class.

<b>Type Class</b>	<b>Data Structure</b>
Monoid	List
Functor	Coyoneda
Applicative	FreeAp
Monad	Free

# **Zipper**

## The Problem

Examples of this problem are easier to explain than providing an initial definition:

- a way to track a player's position in a maze and efficiently update this position to a new valid position. Updating the position to an invalid position should be illegal.
- a way to navigate through a computer's file system by changing directories, one directory at a time. Moreover, we should be able to rename a directory efficiently.

In other words, one needs to be able to do a few things:

- store the current "position"
- modify the current "position"
- change the current "position" to some other "position" by following some "path"
- do this efficiently and with an API that prevents invalid positions.

## The Solution

This solution is called the Zipper.

There are libraries the implement this for variuos types. Reading through the code can help you understand it pretty quickly:

Туре	Library
List	purescript-pointed-list

For an non-code explanation on this concept, see these links:

- Haskell Wikibook's explanation, which includes pictures to help understand how this idea in general works.
- The original paper
- Learn You a Haskell for Great Good's explanation
- The Haskell Wiki's article on it, which includes a large number of additional resources

### **Cursors**

Cursors are one such application of this concept. See this post that clearly explains the problem and solution it solves.

Then, see my conclusion to an exploration of defining a cursor-based data structure that supports multiple carets/selections here with the full exploration here

# **Optics**

To understand what problem optics solve and why they are an essential tool in the FP toolbox, read Thomas Honeyman's Practical Profunctor Lenses & Optics in PureScript.

To learn how to use lenses...

- with an explanation behind how it works, read Optics by Example. Although the language used is Haskell, much of it will transfer over. I'd recommend this book over the below one, which came out earlier.
- without much explanation behind how it works, read Lenses for the Mere Mortal: Purescript Edition.

Below are other resources that are more reference material than clear explanations to beginners:

- Oleg's Glassery post
- The Racket Programming Languages's Lenses Guide.
- Profunctor Optics, a Categorical Update (Extended Abstract)

If you're looking to generate optics for your types, consider purescript-tidy-codgen-lens.

### Lenses

Note: due to Thomas' above blog post, the below section will be removed in the next major release.

Since FP data types cannot be subclassed like OO data types, one will often define a shared component and then define its 'subclasses' as having that shared component:

As a result, when we wish to update the shape part of a Square or Circle, we need to deal with all that nesting:

```
-- for example...
user.config.personal.privacy.email { isPublic = false }
```

This leads to a lot of boilerplate but the concept is easily abstracted into Lenses.

# **Recursion Schemes**

See Edward Kmett's "Recursion Schemes: A Field Guide" for a more-readable definition of the "xxx-morphism" terminology (e.g. hylomorphism).

See Introduction to Recursion Schemes, a 4-part series that very clearly explains how they work and what they are. Papers referenced are below:

- Functional Programming with Bananas, Lenses, Envelopes and Barbed Wire
- Primitive (Co)Recursion and Course-of-Value(Co)Iteration, Categorically

See Basic Catamorphisms See F-Algebras

See Recursion Scheme Cookbook, a documentation project that helps explain SlamData's Matyroshka (purescript) library.

#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

# **Church Encoding**

### See these links:

- Scrap Your Constructors: Church Encoding Algebraic Types
- The visitor pattern is essentially the same thing as Church encoding

# **Incorporating "Free" Structures**

Given the list of Free data structures, we can sometimes incorporate one of them into an existing data structure.

For example, given some ADT for one's particular usage where some parts could be monoidic but other parts aren't..

a Monoid instance can still be created if one incorporates an encoding of the Free Monoid (e.g. List) into the data structure itself:

This idea works for Semigroup and Monoid. Incorporating other such parts from Free data structures into custom ADTs may also apply. I'm not sure whether this pattern has a name, nor what to call it if it doesn't have one.

# **Or Patterns**

PureScript does not (yet?) support the concept of "or patterns" in its pattern matching. For example, we write this...

```
foo = case _ of
"a" -> 1
"b" -> 1
"x" -> 2
"y" -> 2
_ -> 3
```

rather than this hypothetical syntax where the branch is only written once:

## **First-Class Pattern Guards**

However, one could get around this problem via using First-Class Pattern Guards, which is basically Call-Passing Style (CPS).

#### PureScript: Jordan's Reference

# **The Free Boolean Cube**

See The Free Boolean Cube.

# **GADTs**

GADTs or Generalized Algebraic Data Types have already been explained elsewhere:

- The Original Paper
- The Purescript Approximation
- PureScript GADTs Alternative Recap
- Defeating Return Type Polymorphism

# 42-Existential-Types.purs

```
{-
Note: Certain uses of Existential Types seem to be an Anti-Pattern.
See this post for more details:
https://lukepalmer.wordpress.com/2010/01/24/haskell-antipattern-existential-
typeclass/
-}
module Patterns. Existential Types where
import Prelude
import Unsafe.Coerce (unsafeCoerce)
data NonPublicState
  = Because_You_Will_Screw_Up_Something_Internally
  | Because_You_Should_Not_Have_Access_To_It
  Because_We_Want_To_Reduce_The_Number_Of_Generic_Types
type ActualDataTypeUsedInThisProject genericType1 genericType2 =
  { anInt :: Int
  , exposed :: genericType1
  , hidden :: genericType2
  , private :: NonPublicState }
data ExposedDataTypeUsedByEndDevelopers (anInt :: Type) exposed
mkData :: forall a b. ActualDataTypeUsedInThisProject a b ->
ExposedDataTypeUsedByEndDevelopers Int a
mkData = unsafeCoerce
unData :: forall exposed r
        . (forall hidden. ActualDataTypeUsedInThisProject exposed hidden -> r)
        -> ExposedDataTypeUsedByEndDevelopers Int exposed
unData = unsafeCoerce
changePrivateData :: forall a. (NonPublicState -> NonPublicState) ->
ExposedDataTypeUsedByEndDevelopers Int a
changePrivateData f = unData \actualDataType ->
  mkData
    { anInt: actualDataType.anInt
    , exposed: actualDataType.exposed
    , hidden: actualDataType.hidden
    -- change the state of 'private'
    , private: f actualDataType.private
```

# **Higher-Kinded Data**

## **Reviewing Higher-Kinded Types**

We have higher-kinded types in PureScript (e.g. anything that requires another type to be specified before it becomes a concrete type):

In other words, we never have just List s. Rather, we always have a List of Strings or a List of Ints. The a type needs to be specified before we can use this value in most contexts.

We can apply this idea in a different manner called "higher-kinded data". I first saw this in a blog post called Higher-Kinded Data, saw its usage in Thomas Honeyman's halogen-formless, and then saw @kritzcreek's comment on the various types one could define with them (shown later in this file). We'll document the pattern below and why you might want to use it.

```
-- Given this type...
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)
```

We can specify f to a number of different types, thereby defining multiple types in-line with little effort.

## **Basic Types**

### Using Unlift a to Ignore the f Type Parameter

```
-- Given a type that satisfies the (Type -> Type) kind signature
-- but is the same type as the `a` type parameter...
type Unlift a = a
-- and our Higher-Kinded Data type
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)
-- the runtime value is an `Int`.
type HKD_Unlift = HKD Unlift
```

## Using Const a b to Ignore/Override the Int Type Parameter

```
-- Given a type that ignores its second type parameter
type Const a b = a

-- and our Higher-Kinded Data type
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)

-- the runtime value is a `Boolean`
type HKD_ConstBoolean = HKD (Const Boolean)
```

## **Common Types**

## Using Maybe a to Make the Int Type Parameter Optional

### Using Either e to Provide an Alternative to the Int Type Parameter

```
-- Given a type that may contain a value
data Either e a
    = Left e
    | Right a

-- and our Higher-Kinded Data type
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)

-- the runtime value might be an `String` or an `Int`.
type HKD_Either = HKD (Either String)
```

### Using List a to Provide 0 or more Int values

## Using NonEmpty f a to Provide 1 or more Int values

```
-- Given a type that may contain a value
newtype NonEmpty f a = NonEmpty a (f a)
-- and our Higher-Kinded Data type
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)
-- the runtime value is 1 or more `Int`s.
type HKD_List = HKD (NonEmpty List)
```

## **More Complex Types**

### Using Function a b to Produce Int Values Given Some Argument

```
-- Given a type that produces a value when given an argument
data Function a b

-- and our Higher-Kinded Data type
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)

-- the runtime value is a function that takes a `String` to produce an `Int`.
type HKD_List = HKD (Function String)

-- or using short-hand syntax
type HKD_List = HKD ((->) String)
```

### Using Op a b to Produce Some Value Given an Int Argument

```
-- Given a type that produces a value when given an argument
newtype Op a b = Op (b -> a)

-- and our Higher-Kinded Data type
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)

-- the runtime value is a function that takes an `Int` to produce a `String`
type HKD_List = HKD (Op String)
```

# Using Compose f g a to Model Miscellaenous Types Using Int

```
-- Given a type that may contain a value
newtype Compose f g a = Compose (f (g a))
-- and our Higher-Kinded Data type
newtype HKD :: (Type -> Type) -> Type
newtype HKD f = HKD (f Int)
-- the runtime value is `Nothing`, or `Just int`.
type HKD_ComposeMaybeMaybe = HKD (Compose Maybe Unlift)
-- the runtime value is `Nothing`, or `Just boolean`.
type HKD_ComposeMaybeMaybe = HKD (Compose Maybe (Const Boolean))
-- the runtime value is `Nothing`, `Just Nothing`, or `Just int`.
type HKD_ComposeMaybeMaybe = HKD (Compose Maybe Maybe)
-- the runtime value is `Nothing`, `Just (Left string)`, or `Just (Right int)`.
type HKD_ComposeMaybeMaybe = HKD (Compose Maybe (Either String))
-- the runtime value is `Nothing`, `Just Nil`, or `Just intList`.
type HKD_ComposeMaybeMaybe = HKD (Compose Maybe List)
-- the runtime value is `Nil`, `Cons Nothing Nil`, `Cons (Just i) Nil`, or
`...`
type HKD_ComposeMaybeMaybe = HKD (Compose List Maybe)
```

You can see how Compose makes it possible to do some interesting things.

## Using Row kinds, Record, and Variant to Model Product and Sum Types

Recall that product types (e.g. a AND b) and sum types (e.g. a OR b) are modeled by Record and Variant . So, what happens when we define a higher-kinded-data type that takes rows as the argument that it passes into f? It looks like this:

```
data Record :: Row Type -> Type

data Variant :: Row Type -> Type

newtype HKD_Row f = HKD_Row (f (name :: String, age :: Int))

-- the runtime value is a `String` value and an `Int` value
-- { name :: String, age :: Int}`
type HKD_Row_Record = HKD_Row Record

-- the runtime value is either a `String` value or an `Int` value
type HKD_Row_Variant = HKD_Row Variant
```

# **Examples Demonstrating Why One Would Use Higher-Kinded data?**

## **Reducing Boilerplate**

Now that we have an understanding for how these work, what happens if we interleave two higher-kinded data types together? We find that we get a number of types for free.

```
type AllTypes recordOrVariant f =
    recordOrVariant ( name :: f String, age :: f Int )

-- { name :: String, age :: Age }
type PersonRecord = AllTypes Record Unlift

-- { name :: Boolean, age :: Boolean }
type PersonDisplayLabels = AllTypes Record (Const Boolean)

-- { name :: Maybe String, age :: Maybe Age }
type PersonSearchLabels = AllTypes Record Maybe

-- Variant (name :: String, age :: Age)
type PersonSingleLabel = AllTypes Variant Unlift

-- Variant (name :: Boolean, age :: Boolean)
type PersonToggleLabel = AllTypes Variant (Const Boolean)
```

### **Reusing Labels in Rows for Multiple Things**

What if we used a version of Unlift that "selects" which type to use among multiple types? Halogen Formless uses this trick to use the same labels to refer to different things depending on the context (e.g. the input value, the output value, the error, etc.):

```
data InvalidName = InvalidName
data NotPositiveAge = NotPositiveAge
newtype Name = Name String
newtype Age = Age Int
-- Same as `Unlift` but it only "selects" the correct type
type ErrorType e i o = e
type InputType e i o = i
type OutputType e i o = o
type AllTypes :: (Row Type -> Type) -> (Type -> Type) -> Type
type AllTypes recordOrVariant f =
  recordOrVariant
    ( name :: f InvalidName String Name
   , age :: f NotPositiveAge Int Age
  -- label :: f errorType inputType outputType
type FormOutputvalues = AllTypes Record OutputType
type FormErrorsIfAny = AllTypes Record (Compose Maybe ErrorType)
type FormInputValues = AllTypes Record InputType
getName :: FormOutputvalues
getName rec = rec.name
getNameInput :: FormInputValues
getNameInput rec = rec.name
onNameError :: forall m. Monad m => FormErrorsIfAny -> m Unit
onNameError rec = case rec.name of
  Nothing -> pure unit -- no error!
  Just error -> throwError error
```

## **Hyperfunctions**

Hyperfunctions are an interesting idea, but I do not have much else to say in regards to it.

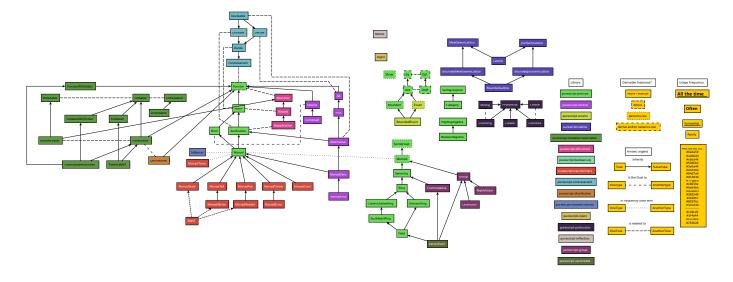
## **Type Classes**

## Why Are PureScript's Type Classes So Granular?

See Phil's explanation of Counterexamples of Type Classes

## Relationships

This SVG file (WIP, but still helpful) shows the relationships between the type classes (inheritance hierarchy, dual relationships, usage frequency, and package location) throughout the ecosystem:



## **Functions**

There is also an Excel file (Type-Class-Functions.xlsx) that documents the functions of said type classes using a chart like so (**Note: the following chart is long-vertically and short-horizontally to reduce horizontal scrolling. In the real chart, this is inverted**):

	Example1	Example2
package (the 'purescript-' prefix is omitted, so 'prelude' is really 'purescript-prelude')	prelude	prelude

	Example1	Example2
Type class name	Functor	Functor
Function Definition (Either defined in the initial type class (I) or dervied using that function (D))	I	D
Alias symbol (If no symbol exists, then there is no alias)	<b>&lt;\$&gt;</b>	\$>
Alias infix direction & precedence (direction is either left (L) or right (R) precedence is 19)	L 4	L 4
Type Parameter (what the type that follows the type class (e.g. Functor f ))	f	f
Function Name	map	voidLeft
Constraints (These usually appear in derived functions, but may also appear in initial functions)		Functor f
Return type	fb	fb
Arg 1	(a -> b)	fa
Arg 2	f a	a
	•••	•••
Arg N	•••	•••

### **Laws**

TODO

## **Category Theory**

- See Bortosz Mileski's
  - o (unofficial) PDF / Hard back of all his blog posts
  - blogs
  - videos
- Tom Leinster's Basic Category Theory (intended audience: people with "relatively little

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mathematics background)

## **External Explanations**

### **Contravariant**

George Wilson's Contravariant Functors: The Other Side of the Coin

### **Comonad**

- Chris Penner's Comonads by Example (I highly recommend it).
- Gabriel Gonzalez's You Could have Invented Comonad
- Phil Freeman's Comonads as Spaces
- Nihil Shah's Cofree Comonads and their Uses

## IndexedMonad (i.e. IxMonad)

An IndexedMonad uses the compiler to ensure:

- 1. monadic computations occur in the proper order
- 2. one monadic computation will change what the final output will be

#### Links:

- Kwan's Indexed Monad overview
- What I wish I knew when Learning Haskell's Indexed Monad section
- Justin Woo's Using IxMonad to enforce good hamburger building in PureScript

Real-world problem where it would help: purescript-selda, a library that allows one to write type-safe database queries, would prevent some aggregate queries from working when they are invalid. The (thesis' (PDF)) relevant sections are 2.3, 2.4, and 5 (paragraph 5 and down).

## **Functors**

### **Variance of Functors**

This is a summary of this post and this post.

When we look a Function 's definition, we see that it is higher-kinded by two, that is, two types need to be defined before we can have a concrete type:

```
foreign import data Function :: Type -> Type
infix ? Function as ->
-- Rather than writing `Function input output`
-- we write `input -> output`
no_sugar :: Function Input Output

syntax_sugar :: Input -> Output

generic_on_input :: forall a. a -> Output

generic_on_output :: forall b. Input -> b

generic_on_both :: forall a b. a -> b
```

A type can be a Functor if it is higher-kinded by one. In the below example, we specify its input type and leave the output type to be defined in map:

```
-- (input ->)
instance Functor (Function input) where
-- (input -> a) -> (input -> b)
map :: forall a b. (a -> b) -> Function input a -> Function input b
map aToB inputToA = (\input -> aToB (inputToA input))
```

However, what if we specified the output type of Function in the instance head and left the input type to be defined in map? If so, it would look like this:

We cannot define an instance of Functor in this way because the first argument in map changes an a value to a b value. However, if we flipped the direction of the arrow, we could write the function's body:

The above type class is called Contravariant and map\_ish is called cmap.

#### **Functor Re-examined**

The above two type classes, Functor and Contravariant, are the same except for the direction of the arrow in the map / cmap 's first function argument. The former is called Functor instead of Covariant because it appears more often than the latter.

Real Name	Purescript Name	Frequency of Appearance	Usage
Covariant Functor	Functor	Very frequent	Changes the output of a function
Contravariant Functor	Contravariant	Infrequent	Changes the input of a function

### **Positive and Negative Position**

However, there are actually special names for the input and output types:

**Positive** position: the type variable is the result/output/range/codomain of the function **Negative** position: the type variable is the argument/input/domain of the function

Or to put it into meta-language: negativePosition -> positivePosition

These terms are used so that one can ultimately determine whether a given type is a Covariant or Contravariant Functor by the rules of multplication:

To understand how this works in practice, see Contravariant Functors are Weird

### The 2+ Different Functors

As explained in ../Variance of Functors.md, there are two different kinds of Functors: covariant Functors and contravariant Functors.

However, one also hears about Bifunctor, Profunctor, and Invariant. These are just different ways of combining those different kinds of functors together:

Name	Type Class' function name	Meaning
Functor	map / <\$> / <#>	Maps 1 type with a Covariant Functor
Contravariant	cmap/>\$#<	Maps 1 type with a Contravariant Functor
Bifunctor	bimap	<ul> <li>1st Type: Covariant map (e.g. map)</li> <li>2nd Type: Covariant map (e.g. map)</li> </ul>
Profunctor	dimap	<ul> <li>1st Type: Contravariant map (e.g. cmap)</li> <li>2nd Type: Covariant map (e.g. map)</li> </ul>
Invariant	imap	Maps 1 type with either/both a Covariant Functor or/and a Contravariant Functor

See also this Profunctor explanation

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## **Group-Like**

This image summarizes how the various group-related type classes relate.

## **Type-Level Programming**

The Prim module has sub modules that are not imported by default. Within these modules, Prim defines a few more things for type-level programming. These type classes' instances are derived by the compiler

## **Type-Level Types, Values, and Proxies**

In the below table, "ValueTypeN" was abbreviated to VTN

Value-Level Type	Value-Level Value(s)	Kind Name (Corresponding Type-Level Type)	Kind Values
Ordering	LT GT EQ	Ordering	LT GT EQ
String	"literal string"	Symbol	"literal symbol"
Record (closest idea)	Record (keyN :: VTN,)	Row	(keyN :: VTN,)
Boolean	true/false	Boolean	True/False
List ( keyN :: VTN, ) (analogy; not real type)	Nil Cons a (ListR a)	RowList	Nil Cons :: Symbol -> Type -> RowList

## **Real-World examples**

- purescript-alphasucc
- purescript-trout Type-Level Routing. Used in purescript-hypertrout.
- purescript-kushikatsu Simple type-level routing
- purescript-chirashi An easy way to work with Errors by inserting a Variant, and reading it out later.
- purescript-variant
- purescript-typelevel-eval

## **Ideas**

• Type-Safe Versioned APIs. This idea could be combined with the onion architecture and Run

## **Utility Functions**

This file contains functions that use type classes but which are not included in a package that defines such type classes. One can think of these as "extra" derived functions:

Monad Loops