

Introduction to Functional Programming and Haskell



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Functional Programming

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First Class Functions

Expressions (No Assignment)

(Ideally) No Side Effects

Different Approach

Brief History

1930	Lambda Calculus
1958	LISP
1974	ML
1974	Scheme
1986	Erlang
1990	Haskell
1996	OCaml
2004	Scala
2005	F#
2007	Clojure

Who?

Academia

Language Researchers

Growing Interest

Why?

Safety

Modularity

Concurrency

Concise

Fun

Better ★

Structures

Lists

`[]`

`[1, 2, 3] = 1:2:3:[]`

`['a', 'b', 'c'] = 'a':'b':'c':[]`

Concatenation

Indexing

Head, Tail

`head [1, 2, 3] = 1`

`tail [1, 2, 3] = [2, 3]`

Structures

Tuples

(1, 2, “hello”)
(“world”, [3, 4, 5])

Bundling Data

Techniques

(Only) Recursion

$$\text{fib } 1 = 1$$

$$\text{fib } 2 = 1$$

$$\text{fib } n = \text{fib } (n-1) + \text{fib } (n-2)$$

Techniques

Map

map f [a, b, c, d]



[f a, f b, f c, f d]

Techniques

Filter

filter (< 5) [1, 5, 9, 3, 4]



[1, 3, 4]

Techniques

Fold

`foldl (+) 0 [1, 5, 9, 3, 4]`



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Language Features

First Class Functions

$$f1\ x = 2 * x$$

$$f2\ x = 4 * x$$

$$f3\ v\ f = (f\ v) + 3*(f\ v)$$

$$f3\ 5\ f1 = (2*5) + 3*(2*5) = 40$$

$$f3\ 5\ f2 = (4*5) + 3*(4*5) = 80$$

Language Features

Pattern Matching Variable Assignment

a:b = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]



a = 1

b = [2, 3, 4, 5]

Language Features

Pattern Matching Variable Assignment

$(a, b, c) = (1, \text{“hi”}, [2, 3, 4])$



$a = 1$

$b = \text{“hi”}$

$c = [2, 3, 4]$

Language Features

Pattern Matching
Function Definitions

$$f\ 0 = 1$$

$$f\ 2 = 5$$

$$f\ x = x + 9$$

Language Features

Pattern Matching Combinations

$$f (a,b) = a + b$$
$$f (1,2) = 3$$

$$\text{map } f [] = []$$
$$\text{map } f (h:t) = (f h):(\text{map } f t)$$

Language Features

Lambda Functions

$$f(a,b) = a + b$$

$$f(2,3) = 5$$

$$(\lambda(a,b) \rightarrow a + b)(2,3) = 5$$

`map (\(a,b) -> a + b) [(1,2), (3, 4), (5,6)]`



`[3, 7, 11]`

Language Features

Currying

$$f\ a\ b = a + b$$

$$g = f\ 2 = (2\ +)$$

$$g\ 3 = (f\ 2)\ 3 = (2\ +)\ 3 = 5$$

Language Features

Composition

$$(f \cdot g) x = f (g x)$$

$$f x = 2 * x$$

$$g x y = 3 * x + y$$

$$h = f \cdot (g 3)$$

$$h 4 = 2 * (g 3 4) = 2 * (3 * 3 + 4) = 26$$

Language Features

Combined Example

Lists
Tuples
Map
Filter
Fold

First Class Functions
Pattern Matching
Lambda Functions
Currying
Composition
Recursion

Sum numbers under specific headers

==> stuff 1

1

2

3

==> stuff 2

4

5

6

==> stuff 3

7

8

9

==> stuff 2

10

11

12

==> stuff 1

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

==> stuff 3

20

==> stuff 2

21

==> stuff 1

22

23

24

25

==> stuff 1	==> stuff 1
1	13
2	14
3	15
==> stuff 2	16
4	17
5	18
6	19
==> stuff 3	==> stuff 3
7	20
8	==> stuff 2
9	21
==> stuff 2	==> stuff 1
10	22
11	23
12	24
	25

```

segmentByPrefix :: String -> [String] -> [[String]]
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```
process1 :: String -> String -> String -> [Double]
process1 prefix header inputString = summedSegments
  where inputLines = lines inputString
        segments = segmentByPrefix prefix inputLines
        headeredSegments = map (\(h:t) -> (h,t)) segments
        filteredSegments = filter (\(h,_) -> h == header) headeredSegments
        numberSegments = map (\(h,t) -> map read t :: [Double]) filteredSegments
        summedSegments = map (foldl (+) 0) numberSegments
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```
process2 :: String -> String -> String -> [Double]
process2 prefix header = (map (foldl (+) 0)) .
    (map (\(h,t) -> map read t :: [Double])) .
    (filter (\(h,_) -> h == header)) .
    (map (\(h:t) -> (h,t))) .
    (segmentByPrefix prefix) .
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main :: IO ()
main = do
  inputFileContents <- readFile "input.file.txt"
  putStrLn $ show (process2 "==" "==" stuff 1" inputFileContents)

```



[6.0, 112.0, 94.0]

Language Features

Others

Immutability

Garbage Collection

Closures

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Uninterestingly common in Haskell!

Language Features

Absent

Loops

Multiple Assignment ★

Object Oriented ★

Global Variables

Contemporary Languages

Language	Pure	Typed	Lazy	OO
Haskell	✓	✓	✓	✗
OCAML	✗	✓	~	✓
Scala	✗	✓	~	✓
Clojure	✗	✗	✗	✗
Erlang	✗	✗	✗	✗

Haskell

Approach

Constrained

Only the Haskell way

Top-Down (Abstractions, Lambda Calc &
Category Theory)

Safe

Fast

Powerful

Influences

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Unification Language
Designed by committee

Language Features

Currying

Infix

Concise

Pattern Matching

Implicit Functions

Lazy Evaluation

Why?

Enforced Safety

Strongly Typed

Single Assignment

Pure/Contained IO

Smart Shared State

Expressions (everything is one)

Why?

Separation

Fast (reordering, fusion)

Parallelism (sparks)

Concurrency (Haskell threads)

Modularity & Reuse

Why?

Lazy Evaluation

Infinite Data Structures

Efficiency

Composition & Modularity

Hard to reason about

Why?

Others

Concise

Foreign Function Interface

Inline code (Python, Java, C, R)

Abstract Power

Advanced Features

Purity

Safe

Referential Transparency

Easy to reason about

Composable

Type System

Strict (hard to get used to)

Polymorphism

Type Inference

Mental Gymnastics

Algebraic Data Types

Type Classes

Type System

Algebraic Data Types

```
data Maybe a      = Just a | Nothing
```

```
data Either a b   = Left a  | Right b
```

```
data List a       = Item a (List a) | Null
```

```
data Center       = Center
{
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}
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Can be emulated in C and others!!

Type System

Types say a lot

```
func1 :: String -> Int
```

```
func2 :: Num a => a -> a -> a
```

```
func3 :: Double
```

```
func4 :: IO Double
```

```
func5 :: FilePath -> IO String
```

```
func6 :: String -> IO ()
```


ADTs + Type Classes

Contexts

Monoids

Functors

Applicative Functors

Monads

etc...

Monads

Isolation

Containment

Context Sensitive

Imperative-Like Sugar

“Haskell in the finest imperative programming language” - SPJ

Monads

Definition

```
class Applicative m => Monad where
  (>>=) :: m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b
  (>>)  :: m a -> m b -> m b
  return :: a -> m a
  fail   :: String -> m a
```

```
class Functor f => Applicative where
  pure :: a -> f a
  (<*>) :: f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

```
class Functor where
  fmap :: (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

Monads

Kinds

IO

STM

ST

List, Maybe, Either
State, Reader, Writer
etc...

Monads

Example (Maybe)

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```
instance Monad Maybe where
  return x = Just x
  Nothing >>= f = Nothing
  Just x   >>= f = f x
  fail _   = Nothing
  (>>)     = (*>)
```

Monads

Example (Maybe)

```
checkString :: String -> Maybe Double
checkString input = do
  val1 <- readMaybe input :: Double
  val2 <- inBounds val1
  return $ 4.0 + 5.0*val2
```

```
inBounds :: Double -> Maybe Double
inBounds val
  | val < 10  = Nothing
  | otherwise = Just val
```

```
checkString "foo" = Nothing
checkString "5"   = Nothing
checkString "20"  = Just 104.0
```

Side Effects

Happen in IO monad

Can't escape from IO monad

Push side-effects to “edges”

Pure functional core

More Advanced Stuff

Applicative Functors
Category Theory
Concurrency (MVAR, STM)
Parallelism
Laziness
Monad Transformers
Pipe/Conduit
Arrows
Lens
Parsers
Persistent
Free Monads
Crazy type extensions
Template Haskell (DSLs)
Metaprogramming
Way more ...

FP + Haskell = Cool

New Ideas

Better Programmer

Safer Programmer

Amazing Concurrency

Very Fast

Brain Bending

Horizon Expanding

Challenging & Fun!