

MOD08: Functional Programming

Introduction to Functional Programming

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 - Language: Haskell
 - Compiler: GHC (Glasgow Haskell Compiler)
 - Interpreter: GHCi (command: `ghci`)
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- Lectures: provide theoretical background
- Practical sessions: essential to grasp the material

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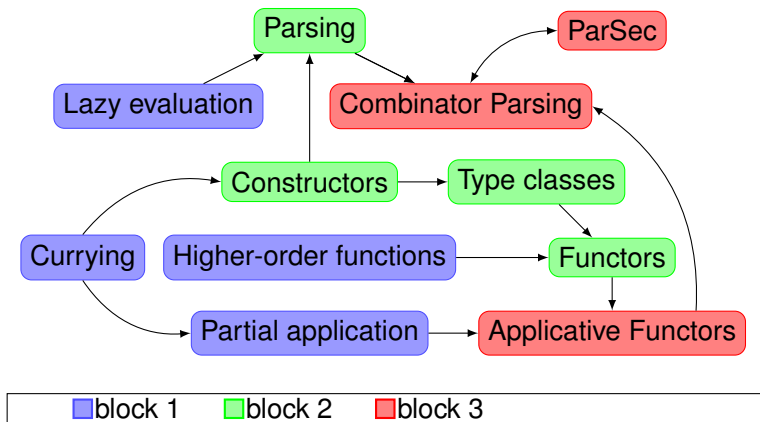
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Block	Topic
1	- Introduction to Functional Programming - Higher order functions
2	- Types and type classes - Parsing (application)
3	- Advanced type classes - Parser combinators and ParSec (application)
4	- Code generation (application) - TBD
5-7	- Project

Connection of some of the topics between blocks



This lecture: Introduction to Functional Programming

- Functional programming (concept)
- Evaluation and execution mechanisms
 - Lazy evaluation
- Basic concepts of functional programming
 - Recursion
 - List comprehension
- (higher order functions)

Materials and resources

- Haskell software: Glasgow Haskell Compiler (GHC)
 - Minimal installer from: haskell.org/downloads
 - Version 8.0.2a
- Books (optional); order by lecturers preference
 - Learn You a Haskell for Great Good!, Miran Lipovaca 🌐
 - Programming in Haskell (2nd ed.), Graham Hutton
- Open book test:
 - Any English book about Haskell (also those not listed above)
 - You may print the book yourself
 - *and* print of lecture slides
 - *and* print of module guide
 - No (handwritten) notes
 - Also in the material/book
- Search for Haskell functions: <http://haskell.org/hoogle>

Functional programming: programming with functions



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Imperative (C)

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len (float x[], int l)  
{  
    int i;  
    double r = 0.0;  
    for (i = 0; i < l; i++)  
        r += x[i]^2;  
    return sqrt(r);  
}
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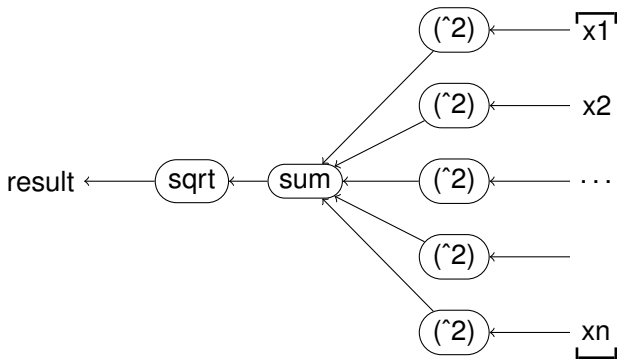
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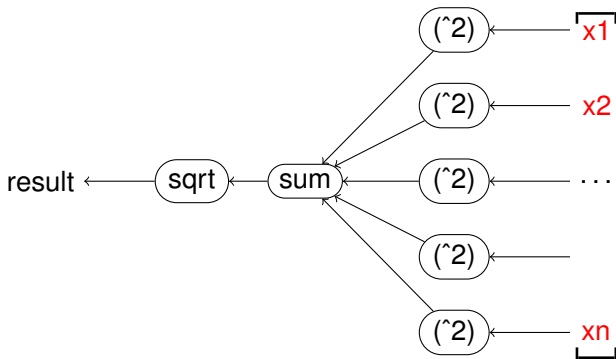
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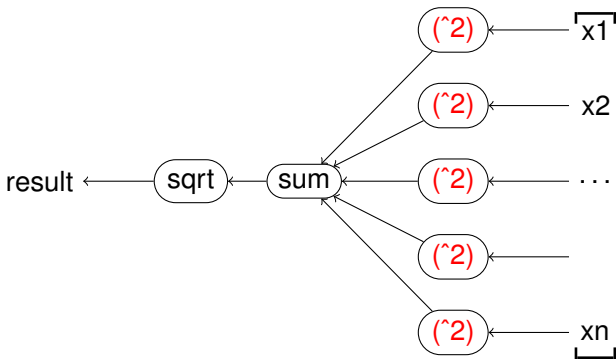
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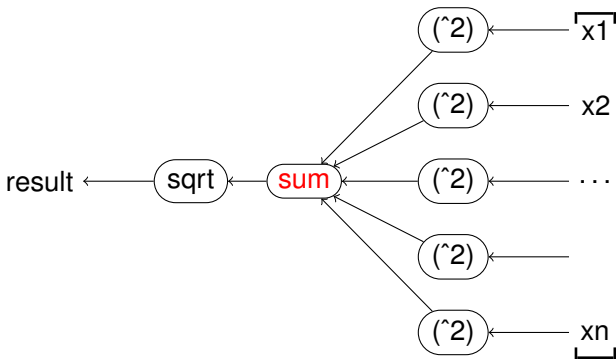
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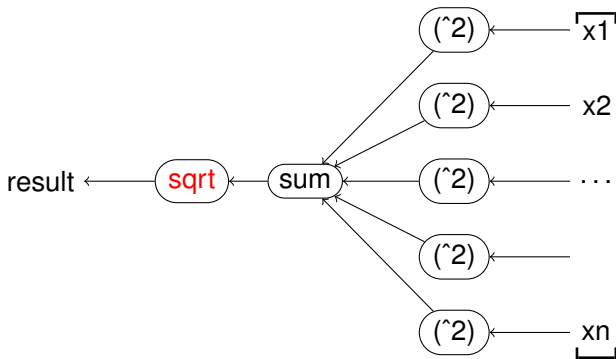
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 - List comprehension (Python, LINQ in C#, ...)
 - Lambda functions
 - ...

GHCi: GHC interactive environment (interpreter)



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ghci
$ ghci
GHCi, version 7.10.3: http://www.haskell.org/ghc/  ? for help
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`type String = [Char]`
`type Person = (String, Int)`

Files and function types

- Create file *Example.hs*:

```
module Example where

square :: Double -> Double
square x = x * x -- Wrong: "let square x = ..."

greeting :: String -> String
greeting name = "Hello " ++ name ++ "!"

factorial :: Integer -> Integer
factorial n = product [1..n]
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- In GHCi:

```
Prelude> :l(oad) Example.hs
*Example> :r(eload)
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Type variables: parametric polymorphism

```
Prelude> :t fst  
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min, max :: Ord a => a -> a -> a
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- **Floating**: floating point types
 - sin, exp, sqrt :: **Floating** a => a -> a
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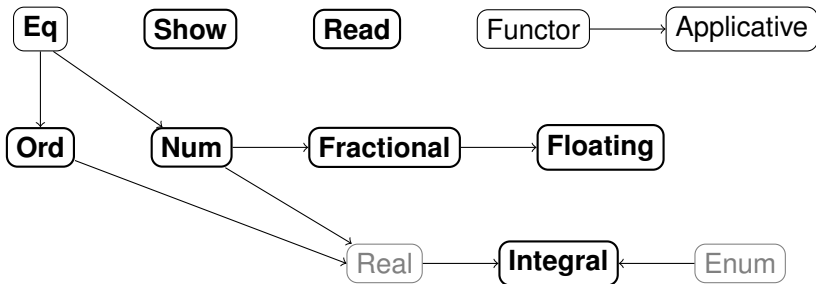
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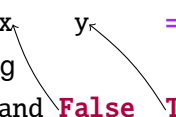
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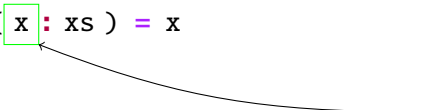
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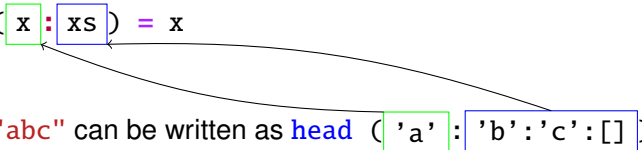
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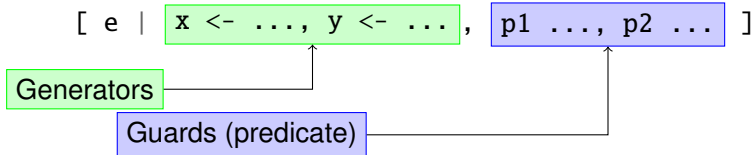
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import Test.QuickCheck.All  
  
-- your tests go here, e.g.:  
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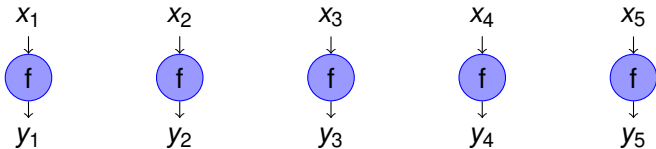
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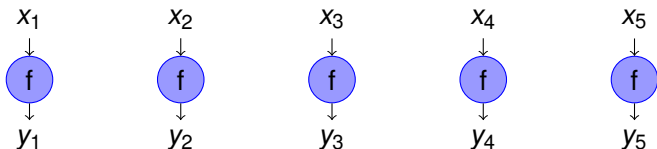
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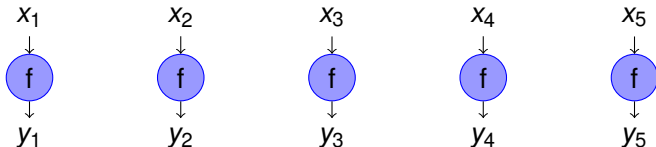


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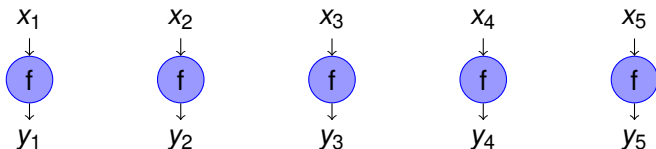
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\\ :: [a] -> [a] -> [a] -- list subtraction
head, last :: [a] -> a
tail, init  :: [a] -> [a]
reverse     :: [a] -> [a]
 (!! )      :: [a] -> Int -> a  -- list indexing
length     :: [a] -> Int
drop, take :: Int -> [a] -> [a]
zip        :: [a] -> [b] -> [(a,b)]

filter     :: (a->Bool) -> [a] -> [a]
map        :: (a->b) -> [a] -> [b]
zipWith    :: (a->b->c) -> [a] -> [b] -> [c]
```

Reference of useful functions

`chr :: Int -> Char`

`ord :: Char -> Int`

`fst :: (a,b) -> a`

`snd :: (a,b) -> b`

`fromIntegral :: (Num b, Integral a) => a -> b`

`fromInteger :: Num a => Integer -> a`

`toInteger :: Integral a => a -> Integer`

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