

# Functional Programming

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## Example from W3Schools

```
<note>
  <to>Tove</to>
  <from>Jani</from>
  <heading>Reminder</heading>
  <body>Don't forget me this weekend!</body>
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```

is represented by

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Xml "ul" [
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- for testing purposes

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test :: Parser t a -> [t] -> a
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test p ts = case parse p ts of
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  Nothing -> error "Parse.test: parse error"
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- only accept end of input

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- that is,  $\langle | \rangle$  corresponds to  $|$  in BNF

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## The Monad Class – Supporting do-Notation

- class functions  
`return` :: `Monad m => a -> m a`  
`(>>=)` :: `Monad m => m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b`
- `return` – lifts arbitrary value into monad
- `(>>=)` – (called “bind”) executes two monads one after the other, where second may depend on “output” of first

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### Example – IO

- do-block

```
do input <- readLn
  putStrLn ("input = " ++ input ++ "")
  let n = (read input :: Int)
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```

- is transformed into

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instance Monad (Parser t) where
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```

```
  (>>=) = bind
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# Parsing XML Data

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  string "<!--"
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  return $ Comment cmt

parseText :: Parser Char Token
parseText = many1 (noneof "<") >>= return . Text
```



## Lexing / Tokenization

```
lexer :: Parser Char [Token]
lexer = do
  many space
  ts <- many (parseTag <|> parseComment <|> parseText)
  eoi
  return ts

tokenize :: [Char] -> Maybe [Token]
tokenize cs = case parse lexer cs of
  Nothing -> Nothing
  Just ts -> Just (dropComments ts)
  where
    dropComments = filter notComment
    notComment (Comment _) = False
    notComment _ = True
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```
parseXml :: Parser Token Xml
parseXml = (token text >>= return . Txt) <|> do
  t <- token start
  ns <- many parseXml
  sat (isEnd t)
  return $ Xml t ns
  where
    text (Text t) = Just t
    text _ = Nothing
    start (StartTag t) = Just t
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    isEnd s (EndTag t) | s == t = True
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fromString :: String -> Maybe Xml
fromString xs = case tokenize xs of
  Just ts -> parse p ts
  Nothing -> Nothing
  where p = do { xml <- parseXml; eoi; return xml }
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## Exercises (for January 12th)

1. Read Chapter 10 of [Real World Haskell](#) and prepare for the test.
2. Modify `lexer` to handle an optional XML prolog of the form `<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>`.
3. Write your own `Show` instance for the data type `Xml`, such that, for example `Xml "div" [Txt "test"]` is printed as `<div>test</div>`.
4. Use the parsers and combinators from this lecture to define a function `uibkMail :: String -> Maybe (String, String)` that accepts an email address of the form `<forename>.<surname>@student.uibk.ac.at` (where `student.` is optional) and returns the pair of forename and surname.
5. Implement a parser for comma-separated lists of integers. For example, running the parser on `"[0,1,3,3]some more text"` should result in `Just ([0,1,3,3], "some more text")`.
6. Implement a function `select :: Tag -> Xml -> [Xml]` that gives the list of all XML nodes with a specific tag name. For example `select "li" (Xml "ul" [Xml "li" [Txt "a"], Xml "li" []])` should result in `[Xml "li" [Txt "a"], Xml "li" []]`.