



Functional Programming

Lecture 1

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Organization

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Counterexample – Random Numbers

the C function `rand` (producing random numbers) is not pure

```
rand() = 0
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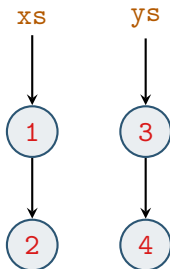
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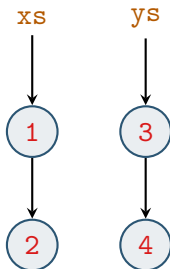


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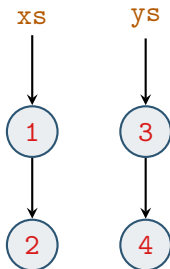
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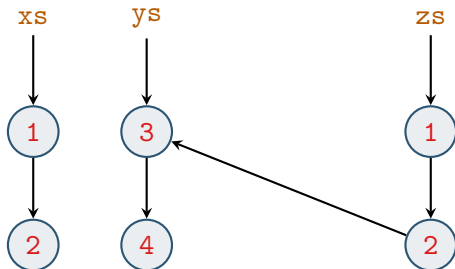


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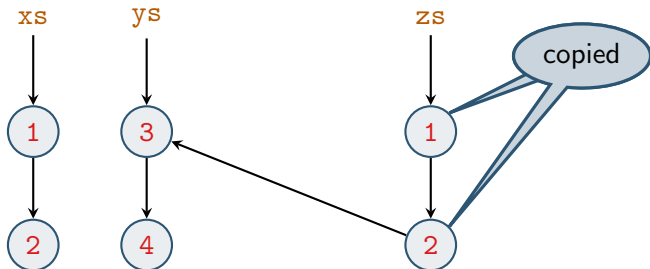


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Example – Factorial Numbers

```
factorial n =  
  if n < 2 then 1  
  else n * factorial (n - 1)
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qsort [] = []
qsort (x:xs) = qsort le ++ [x] ++ qsort gt
  where
    le = [a | a <- xs, a <= x] -- list comprehension
    gt = [b | b <- xs, b > x]
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Starting the Interpreter (GHCi)

```
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GHCi, version 8.2.2: http://www.haskell.org/ghc/
:? for help
...
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- arithmetic: `+`, `-`, `*`, `/`, `^`, `mod`, `div`
- lists
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 - `head xs` extract first element from list `xs`
 - `length xs` number of elements in list `xs`
 - `product xs` multiply elements of list `xs`
 - `reverse xs` reverse list `xs`
 - `sum xs` sum up elements of list `xs`
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- note: in code examples Prelude functions are colored green and others blue; variables are colored dark orange

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$f(g(x))$	<code>f (g x)</code>
$f(x, g(y))$	<code>f x (g y)</code>
$f(x)g(y)$	<code>f x * g y</code>
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- set editor from inside GHCi `:set editor vim`
- start editor `:edit test.hs` and type

```
double x      = x + x
quadruple x = double (double x)
```
- load script

```
Prelude> :load test.hs
[1 of 1] Compiling Main ( test.hs, interpreted )
Ok, modules loaded: Main.
*Main>
```


Interpreter Commands

Command	Meaning
:load <i><filename></i>	load script <i><filename></i>
:reload	reload current script
:edit <i><filename></i>	edit script <i><filename></i>
:edit	edit current script
:type <i><expression></i>	show type of <i><expression></i>
:set <i><property></i>	change various settings
:show <i><info></i>	show various information
:! <i><command></i>	execute <i><command></i> in shell
:?	show help text
:quit	bye-bye!

Example Session

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> take (double 2) [1,2,3,4,5,6]
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> :edit test.hs

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average ns  = sum ns `div` length ns

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> :reload
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3628800
> average [1,2,3,4,5]
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enclosing function in ``...`` turns it infix

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```

```
{- currently not used
```

```
double x    = x + x
```

```
quadruple x = double (double x)
```

```
-}
```

Homework (for October 12th)

1. Read http://haskell.org/haskellwiki/Functional_programming and http://haskell.org/haskellwiki/Haskell_in_5_steps.
2. Work through lessons 1 to 3 on <http://tryhaskell.org/>.
3. Find, explain, and correct the 4 errors in the following code:

```
x = mod length data Y
  where
    { data = [1..10] Y = 5 }
```

4. Implement a function `nth`, where `nth xs i` yields the `i`s element of the list `xs`, in terms of the Prelude functions from this lecture.
Example: `nth ["a","b","c"] 1 = "b"`
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Example: `fromTo ["a","b","c","d"] 1 2 = ["b","c"]`
6. Use recursion to implement a function `allTrue` that, given a list of boolean values, checks whether they are all true.
Example: `allTrue [True,False,True] = False`