

# Presentation of Haskell

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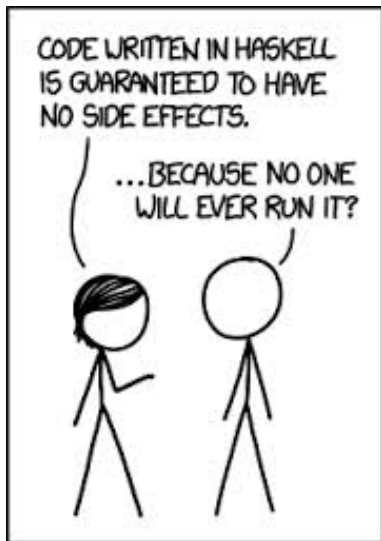
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# What does this code do?

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```
void f(int a[], int lo, int hi)
{
    int h, l, p, t;

    if (lo < hi) {
        l = lo;
        h = hi;
        p = a[hi];

        do {
            while ((l < h) && (a[l] <= p))
                l = l+1;
            while ((h > l) && (a[h] >= p))
                h = h-1;
            if (l < h) {
                t = a[l];
                a[l] = a[h];
                a[h] = t;
            }
        } while (l < h);

        a[hi] = a[l];
        a[l] = p;

        f(a, lo, l-1);
        f(a, l+1, hi);
    }
}
```

# The same in Haskell

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```
qsort [] = []  
qsort (p:xs) = (qsort lesser) ++ [p] ++ (qsort greater)  
  where  
    lesser = filter (< p) xs  
    greater = filter (>= p) xs
```

# Motivation

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- 10 time less lines than in C,
- Great expressivity,
- Great genericity,
- More readable, more maintainable,
- Very few bugs: if it compiles, 90% chances it works on the first try

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- Functional
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- Statically typed
- Lazy

# Functional

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- Functions are first order values
- Anonymous functions
- Partial application

## Examples

```
myFunc a = a + 1
```

```
map (+1) [1..10]
```

```
filter (>3) [1, 4, 5, 2]
```

```
zip [1, 2, 3] ['a', 'b', 'c']
```

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- Lambda functions
- Pattern matching

## Examples

```
map (\a -> a + 1) [1..10]
```

```
fib 0 = 0
```

```
fib 1 = 1
```

```
fib n = fib (n - 2) + fib (n - 1)
```



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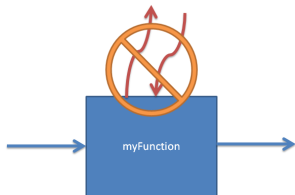
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- Functions don't read from environment
- Functions don't write to environment



The output of a function will always be the same for a given input.

## Counter examples in C

```
a = f() + g()
```

Can we refactor this into  $a = g() + f()$ ?

```
a = b
```

Can I replace `a` by `b` in all my code?

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- No variables!
- No for loops!
- No assignment operator!
- Order of instructions doesn't matter



# Pure

Do you really need for loops?

## Java

```
for(int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
    list[i] = list[i] + 1  
}
```

```
int total = 0;  
for(int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
    total = total + list[i]  
}
```

## Haskell

```
map (+1) list  
foldr 0 (+) list  
sum list
```

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## What do I win with purity?

- Much less bugs
- Easier to reason with
- Easier to refactor
- Easier to parallelize
- Enables equational reasoning
- Enables laziness

# Lazy

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- A value is not calculated if it is not used
- Infinite data structures
- Better design for programs
- Memoization



## Example

```
take 5 [1..]
```

```
fibs = 0 : 1 : (zipWith (+) fibs (tail fibs))
```

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- Static typing
  - Declare your intentions to the compiler
  - Filter bugs at compile time
- Genericity
- Type inference

## Quiz

What are these functions doing?

```
inc :: Int -> Int
```

```
id :: a -> a
```

```
map :: (a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]
```

# Exercices

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Using GHCi, what is the type of:

1

(+1)

map

map (+1)

[1..]

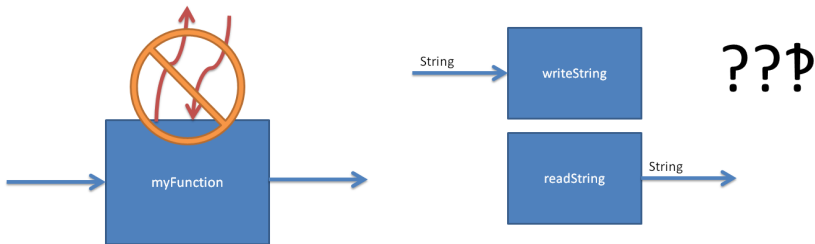
filter

foldr

(.)

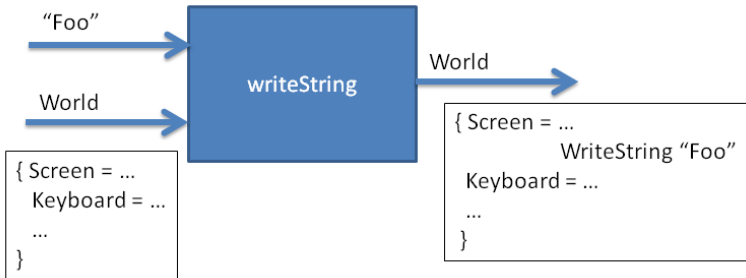
flip

How do we ever perform IO if every function is pure?



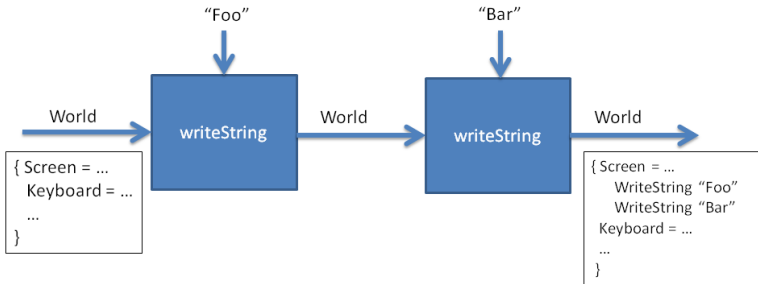


## Passing the world around

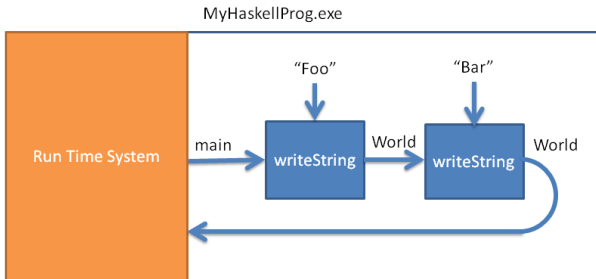


# IO

## IO operations can now be chained!



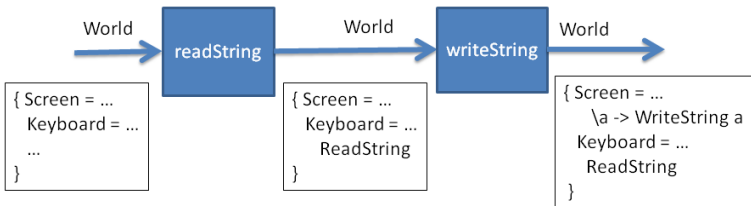
The run-time is reading lazily the IO instructions from the output of the chain, and perform them.



## Example

```
main = do
  putStrLn Foo
  putStrLn Bar
```

`readString` and `writeString` can also interact because of lazyness.



## Example

```

main = do
  a <- readStrLn
  putStrLn a
  
```

# Humor

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