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Blaise Pascal, 1657

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Benjamin Franklin, 1750

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# Review: Haskell since midterm

- `type` defines a type name as an abbreviation for other types
- `data` defines new data structures (and a type) and constructors / deconstructors
- `IO t` is the input/output monad
- `do` can be used to sequence input/output operations
- `newtype` is like `data` but with more restrictions (and no runtime overhead)

Last classes:

- Abstraction for games, so we can write interfaces and solvers for any games that fit the abstraction
- Representation of magic-sum game and count game
- A simple human interface for the abstraction
- `mm_player`: a player that searches through all possible games and returns a best move. (Using minimax).

Today:

- Make minimax more efficient
- Threading state
- Memoization
- Different dictionary implementations

- **Players** observe state and make actions
- **Games** take actions and update state of game, perhaps finishing.

```
type Game = Action -> State -> Result
```

```
type Player = State -> Action
```

```
data State = State InternalState [Action]  
           deriving (Ord, Eq, Show)
```

```
data Result = EndOfGame Double State  
            | ContinueGame State  
            deriving (Eq, Show)
```

See MagicSum.hs Play.hs CountGame.hs

# Minimax

- `type Game = Action -> State -> Result`  
`type Player = State -> Action`  
`mm_player:: Game -> Player`

The game can be asked hypothetical questions about the result of a move. (Because it is functional.)

- In any state (if there is a move available), the agent chooses the action with the highest value after playing the action.
- The value is either:
  - ▶ the value for the end of the game, or
  - ▶ the negation of the value for the opponent (who now plays)
- `minimax:: Game -> State -> (Action, Double)`
- Minimax takes a game and a state and returns (action,value) for the best move (assuming there are moves available)
- `value:: Game -> Result -> Double`
- `mm_player game state = fst ( minimax game state)`
- See `Minimax.hs` (run the test cases)

# Improving Minimax by caching results

- Minimax could cache the values of states it has evaluated
- A dictionary can be used to remember values
- A dictionary maps a key to a value

`Dict k v`

is a dictionary with key type `k` and value type `v`

- Dict Interface:

```
emptyDict :: Dict k v
```

```
getval :: (Ord k) => k -> Dict k v -> Maybe v
```

```
insertval :: (Ord k) => k -> v -> Dict k v  
           -> Dict k v
```

```
stats :: Dict t1 t2 -> [Char]
```

“abstract data type”

- Minimax can use  
`Dict state (action,value)`

## Minimax with memory (Minimax\_mem.hs)

- Minimax without memory:

```
minimax :: Game -> State -> (Action, Double)
valueact :: Game -> State -> Action -> Double
value :: Game -> Result -> Double
```

- What type should memory be? Either:

```
type Mem = Dict State (Action, Double)
type Mem = Dict (State, Action) Double
```

- Memory can be threaded through the program:

```
minimax :: Game -> State ->
           Mem -> ((Action, Double), Mem)
valueact :: Game -> State -> Action ->
           Mem -> (Double, Mem)
value :: Game -> Result ->
         Mem -> (Double, Mem)
```

The can all use, pass the memory to functions they call, and update memory as appropriate.

# Threading state through value function

## value function without memory:

```
value :: Game -> Result -> Double
value _ (EndOfGame val _) = val
value game (ContinueGame st) =
    let (_,val) = minimax game st
    in -val
```

## value function with memory (does not update dictionary)

```
type Mem = Dict State (Action, Double)
value :: Game -> Result -> Mem -> (Double, Mem)
value _ (EndOfGame val _) mem = (val, mem)
value game (ContinueGame st) mem =
    let ((_,val), mem1) = minimax game st mem
    in (-val, mem1)
```



# Threading state through minimax function

```
minimax:: Game -> State -> (Action, Double)
minimax game st =
    argmax (valueact game st) avail
    where State _ avail = st
```

With memory:

```
type Mem = Dict State (Action, Double)
minimax:: Game -> State -> Mem -> ((Action, Double), Mem)
minimax game st mem =
    case getval st mem of
        Just act_val -> (act_val, mem)
        Nothing ->
            let (act_val, mem1) =
                argmax_mem (valueact game st) avail mem
            in (act_val, (insertval st act_val mem1))
    where State _ avail = st
```

## Argmax with memory

```
argmax :: Ord v => (e -> v) -> [e] -> (e,v)
argmax f [e] = (e, f e)
argmax f (h:t)
  | fh > ft = (h,fh)
  | otherwise = (bt, ft)
  where (bt,ft) = argmax f t
        fh = f h
```

### argmax with memory

```
argmax_mem :: Ord v => (e -> m -> (v,m)) -> [e] -> m -> ((e,v),m)
argmax_mem f [e] mem = ((e, v), mem1)
  where (v, mem1) = f e mem
argmax_mem f (h:t) mem
  | fh > ft = ((h,fh), mem2)
  | otherwise = ((bt, ft), mem2)
  where ((bt,ft), mem1) = argmax_mem f t mem
        (fh, mem2) = f h mem1
```