

“Pascal [Java] is for building pyramids – imposing, breathtaking, static structures built by armies pushing heavy blocks into place. Lisp [Haskell] is for building organisms – imposing, breathtaking, dynamic structures built by squads fitting fluctuating myriads of simpler organisms into place.

...

the pyramid must stand unchanged for a millennium; the organism must evolve or perish.”

– *Alan J. Perlis, Foreword to “Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs”, 1985, 1996*

- `type` defines a type name as an abbreviation for other types
- `data` defines new 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

Input-Output (IOAdder.hs, IOAdder2.hs)

- IO t is a type for input and output
- type IO t = World -> (t, World)
- See putChar, getChar, getLine, putStr
- These are normal functions:

```
ask_polite q = ask (q++" please ")
```

- These can be sequenced using do.

```
do v1 <- a1
   v2 <- a2
   ...
   vn <- an
   return (f v1 ... vn)
```

Each a_i is of type IO t_i for some type t_i

v_i is of type t_i

a_i gets world from a_{i-1} , gives value to v_i and world to a_{i+1}

- When called from prompt, a_1 gets world from system.
- Type of do expression is IO t where t is return type of f

Putting types into classes (BSTree2.hs)

- Show is the class that contains the function:

```
show :: Show a => a -> String
```

- Read is the class that contains the function:

```
read :: Read a => String -> a
```

- To get a default implementation of show and read, we can do:

```
data BSTree k v = Empty
                | Node k v (BSTree k v) (BSTree k v)
                deriving (Show, Read)
```

- Most predefined types – except for functions — are in Show and Read.

Putting types into classes

- A class defines the set of functions defined for types in the class.
- You can see the functions for a class by doing:

```
:info Classname
```



```
in ghci.
```
- To put a type into a class do:

```
instance Class Type where
```

```
    <define the minimal functions for the class>
```
- See Instanceeg.hs

Putting types into classes (BSTree2.hs)

- Eq is the class that contains the functions

```
(/=) :: Eq a => a -> a -> Bool
```

```
(==) :: Eq a => a -> a -> Bool
```

- If we don't want the default definitions we can declare (BSTree k v) to be an instance of the Eq class:

```
instance (Eq k,Eq v) => Eq (BSTree k v) where  
    t1 == t2 = tolist t1 == tolist t2
```

as long as k and v are in the Eq class.

- fmap is a generalization of map defined for any type in the Functor class. We can define the fmap on the values by:

```
instance Functor (BSTree k) where  
    -- fmap :: (a -> b) -> BSTree k a -> BSTree k b  
    fmap f Empty = Empty  
    fmap f (Node key val t1 t2)  
        = Node key (f val) (fmap f t1) (fmap f t2)
```

Putting types into classes (BSTree2.hs)

Putting BSTree into foldable class:

```
instance Foldable (BSTree k) where
  foldr op base tree
    = foldr op base [v | (k,v) <- (tolist tree)]
```

This automatically defines: sum, foldl, null, length ...

```
:info Foldable
```

Using a default definition of Foldable:

```
data BSTree k v = Empty
  | Node k v (BSTree k v) (BSTree k v)
  deriving (Show, Read, Foldable)
```

How to write a (Haskell) Program

- To solve a complex problem, break it into simpler problems.
- Motivate/design top-down
- Build bottom-up.
- Write a clear specification (API / intended interpretation) for each component; program to that specification.
- Ensure each part is modular, debuggable, with clear meaning.
- Test early and test often. Try to break your program.
Try to prove your program is correct.
- Test every function when defined. Every component of a function should be already tested and debugged before use.
- Give the type signature for every function (so the compiler does not suggest bugs in tested code).
- Generalize components so they are as reusable as possible.
Make sure you can find a previously written appropriate function when it is the one you want.
- Write functional components as much as possible.
Try to minimize IO components.