

# Reader & ReaderT Monad (11A)

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# Reader, ReaderT, MonadReader

**MonadReader** is not a **monad**.

**MonadReader** is the **class** of all monads that can read from some **environment**.

**Reader** is an **instance** of **MonadReader**, but doesn't do anything else, except that it only acts as a **reader**,

**ReaderT** is the **reader monad transformer**, which adds a read-only environment (**r**) to the given **monad (m)**.

Generally, **instance monads** are defined as a **monad transformer stack** with a **ReaderT** in somewhere

**MonadReader** – class

**Reader** – an **instance**

**ReaderT** – another **instance**

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/39366069/reader-and-monadreader>

# Reader v.s. ReaderT

Reader has ReaderT only applied to the trivial identity monad:

```
type Reader r = ReaderT r Identity
```

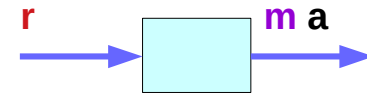
MonadReader includes Reader itself,  
but also MaybeT (ReaderT Int (ListT IO)).

```
newtype ReaderT r m a = ReaderT { runReaderT :: r -> m a }
```

```
type Reader r a = ReaderT r Identity a (1)
```

```
= Reader { runReader :: r -> Identity a }
```

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a } (2)
```



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# Reader Monad

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# Reader Monad

```
newtype Reader e a = Reader { runReader :: (e -> a) }

instance Functor (Reader r) where
  fmap f (Reader f') = Reader $ f . f'

instance Applicative (Reader r) where
  pure a = Reader (const a)
  (Reader f) <*> (Reader f') = Reader $ \r -> f r (f' r)

instance Monad (Reader r) where
  return a = Reader $ \_ -> a
  m >>= k = Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r)) r -- (1)

  (Reader e) >>= f = Reader $ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r -- (2)
```

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# Reader Monad type definition

A **Reader** is a data type that encapsulates an **environment**.

The **runReader** function

takes an **environment** (a reader of type **r**)

and runs it (**r -> a**),

producing the **result** of type **a**.

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
```

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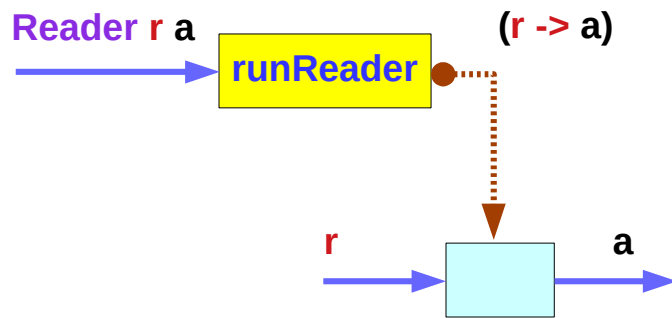


# Reader Monad runReader Function

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
```

With the **record** syntax, the type of **runReader** is actually

```
runReader :: Reader r a -> (r -> a)
```



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# Reader Monad Record Syntax

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
```



```
Reader function r -> a
```

```
Reader $ r -> r + 1
```

```
Reader $ r -> "reader2: " ++ (show r)
```

```
data Car = Car { company :: String, model :: String, year :: Int }
```

```
(1) Car { company = "Ford", model = "Mustang", year = 1967 }
```

```
(2) Car "Ford" "Mustang" 1967 -- no commas
```

initializing a record

```
Car "Ford" "Mustang" 1967
```

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# Reader Monad Example

Consider a **Reader** that increments its **environment value**,  
returning the same type:

```
reader1 :: Num r => Reader r r
```

```
reader1 = Reader $ r -> r + 1
```

```
runReader reader1 100
```

```
> 101
```

Another **Reader** that converts its environment value into a **string**:

```
reader2 :: Show r => Reader r String
```

```
reader2 = Reader $ r -> "reader2: " ++ (show r)
```

```
runReader reader2 100
```

```
> "reader2: 100"
```

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# Reader Monad – a runReader implementation

`runReader` is just taking the function `(r -> a)`  
out of the data type `Reader r a`

a possible implementation

```
runReader' :: Reader r a -> (r -> a)
```

```
runReader' (Reader f) = f
```

```
reader1 :: Reader r r
```

```
reader1 = Reader $ r -> r + 1
```

```
runReader' reader1 100
```

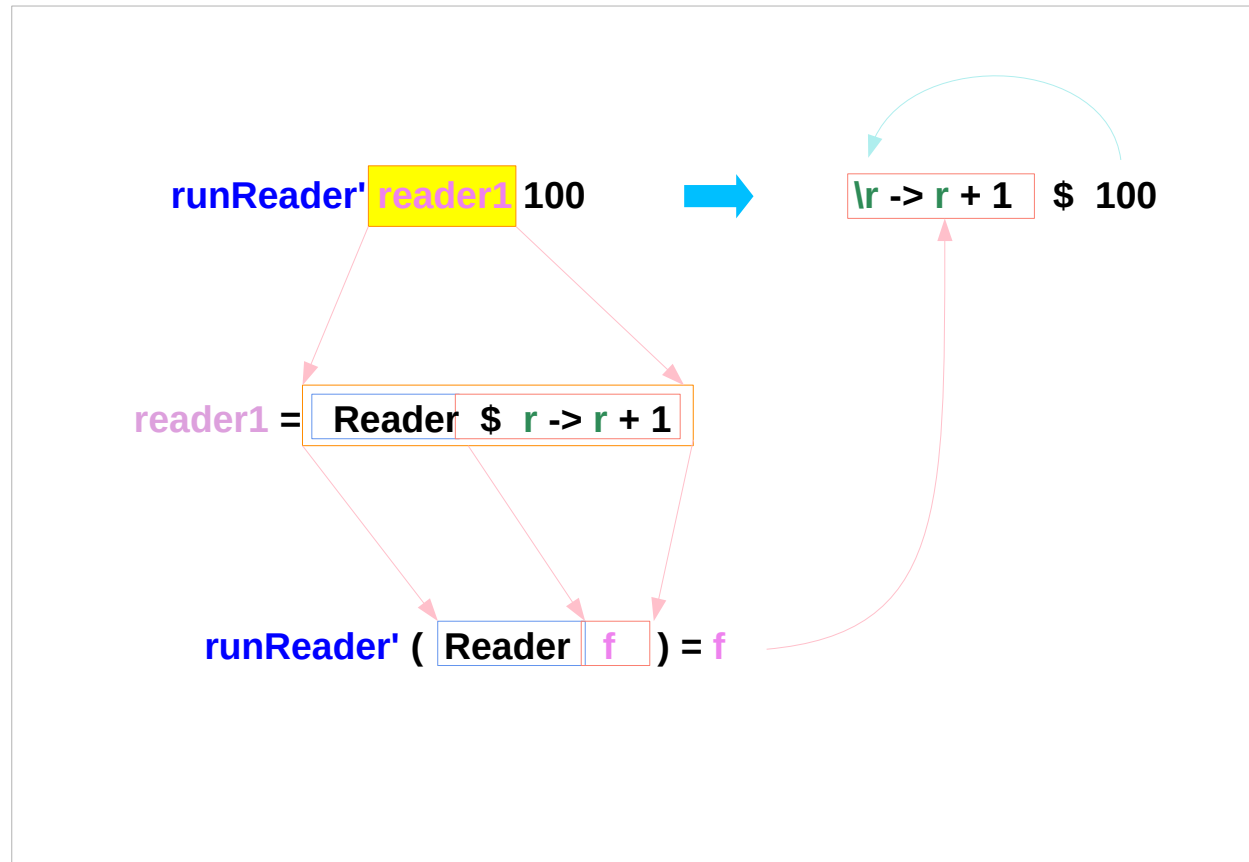
```
> 101
```

`f :: (r -> a)` -- function type

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# Reader Monad – pattern matching in runReader



`runReader' :: Reader r a -> (r -> a)`

`runReader' (Reader f) = f`

`reader1 :: Reader r r`

`reader1 = Reader $ r -> r + 1`

`runReader' reader1 100`

`> 101`

**Reader ≠ Reader**  
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# Reader Monad – implementation (I)

make **Reader** an instance of **Monad**:

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
```

```
instance Monad (Reader r) where
```

```
-- return :: a -> Reader r a
```

```
return a = Reader $ \_ -> a
```

```
-- (>>=) :: forall a b . Reader r a -> (a -> Reader r b) -> Reader r b
```

```
m >>= k = Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r)) r
```

```
-- Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r :: a) :: Reader r b) r
```

*comparison with (->) r monad*

$$(m \gg= k) r = k (m r) r$$

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**m r** : a value (the result)

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**k (m r) r** : a value (the result)

**m** :: Reader r

runReader m r :: a

runReader (k (runReader m r)) r :: b

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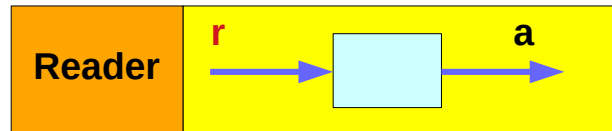
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# Reader Monad – implementation (I) – runReader m

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
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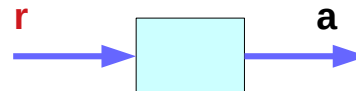
```
m >>= k = Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r)) r
```

`m :: Reader r`



`runReader m :: r -> a`

`runReader m r :: a`



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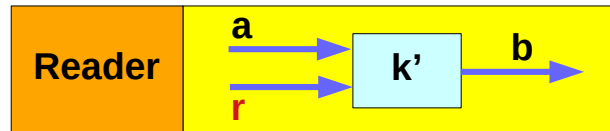
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# Reader Monad – implementation (I) – runReader k

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
```

```
m >>= k = Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r)) r
```

```
m >>= k, k :: Reader r  
k' :: a -> r -> b
```



```
runReader m :: r -> a
```

```
runReader m r :: a
```

```
runReader k :: a -> r -> b      k' :: a -> r -> b
```

```
runReader (k (runReader m r)) :: r -> b
```

```
runReader (k (runReader m r)) r :: b
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```

```
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```

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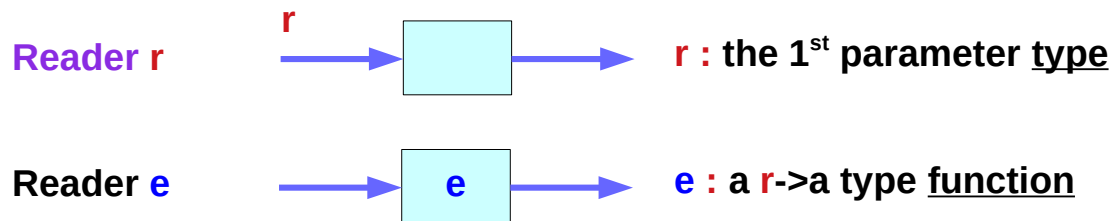
# Reader Monad – implementation (II)

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
```

```
instance Monad (Reader r) where
```

```
  return a      = Reader $ \r -> a
```

```
  (Reader e) >>= f = Reader $ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r
```



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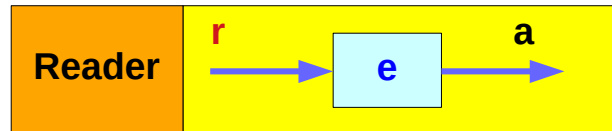
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# Reader Monad – implementation (II) – Reader e

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```

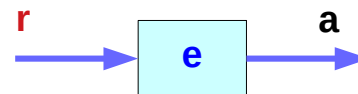
```
(Reader e) >>= f = Reader $ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r
```

```
m = Reader e :: Reader r
```



```
runReader m :: r -> a
```

```
runReader m r :: a
```



```
e = runReader m :: r -> a
```

```
e r = runReader m r :: a
```

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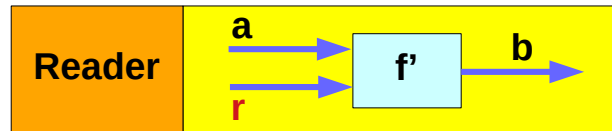
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```

```
(Reader e) >>= f = Reader $ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r
```

```
m >>= f, f :: Reader r  
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```



```
runReader m :: r -> a
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```
runReader m r :: a
```

```
runReader f :: a -> r -> b
```

```
f' :: a -> r -> b
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```
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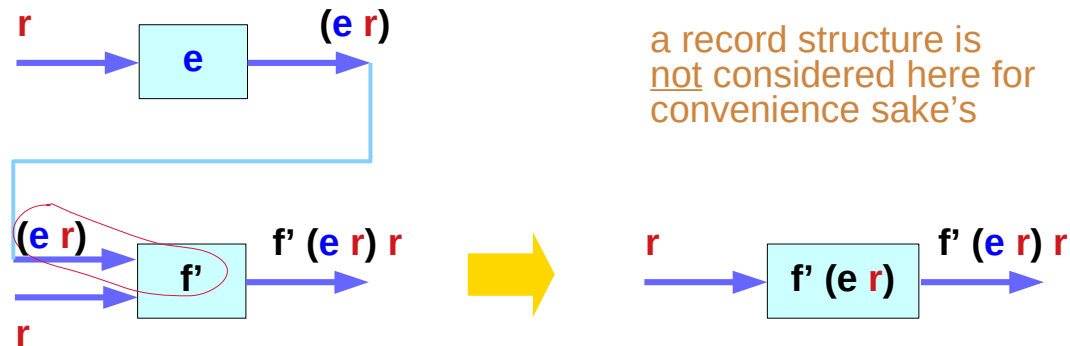
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# Reader Monad – implementation (II) – >>=

```
newtype Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }
```

```
(Reader e) >>= f = Reader $ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r
```



comparison with  $(->) r$  monad

$(m \gg= f) r = f (m\ r) r$

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$f (m\ r) r$  : a value

$(\gg=) :: (r \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow r \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (r \rightarrow b)$

$m :: r \rightarrow a$

$f :: a \rightarrow r \rightarrow b$

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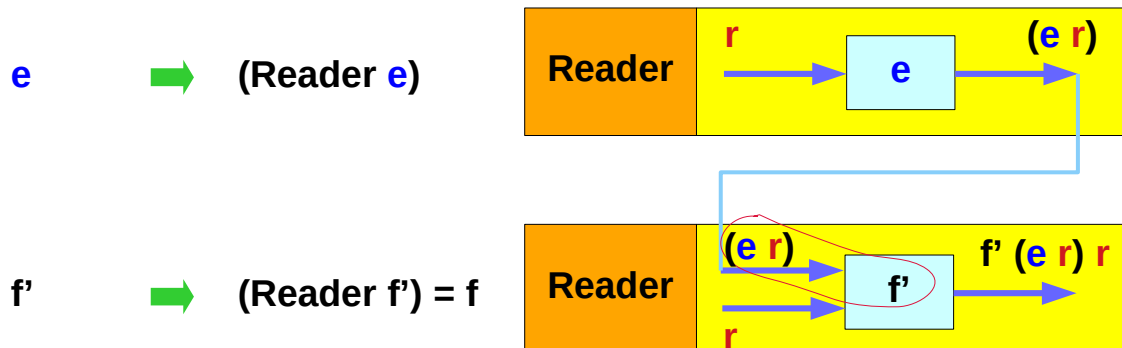
# Reader Monad – implementation (II) – $f'$ and $f$

**instance** Monad (Reader r) where

return a = Reader \$ \r -> a

(Reader e) >>= f = Reader \$ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r

**newtype** Reader r a = Reader { runReader :: r -> a }



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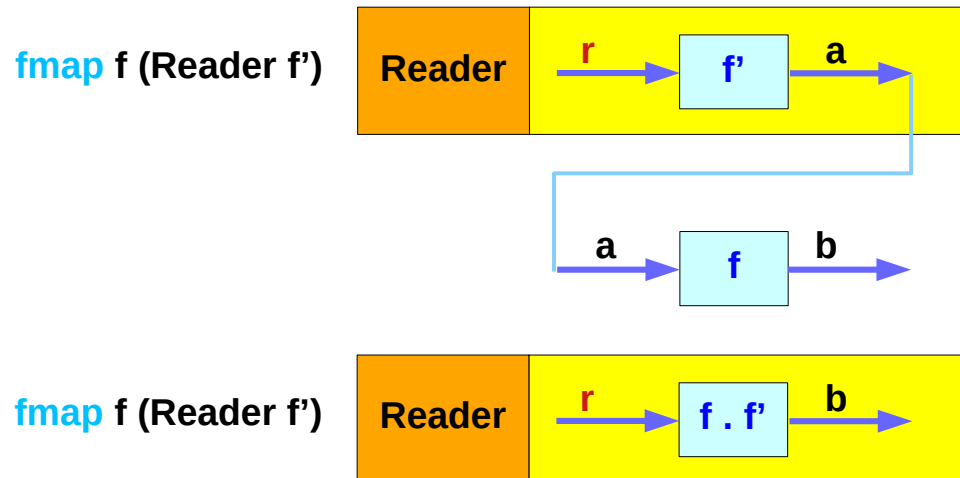
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# Reader Functor Implementation – fmap

**instance** Functor (Reader r) where

-- fmap :: (a -> b) -> Reader r a -> Reader r b

fmap f (Reader f') = Reader \$ f . f'



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# Reader Applicative Implementation – `<*>` type signature

```
instance Applicative (Reader r) where
```

```
-- pure :: a -> Reader r a
```

```
  pure a = Reader (const a)
```

```
-- (<*>) :: Reader r (a -> b) -> Reader r a -> Reader r b
```

```
  (Reader f) <*> (Reader g) = Reader $ \r -> f r (g r)
```

(Reader f)

Reader

$r \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b)$

(Reader g)

Reader

$r \rightarrow a$

(Reader f) `<*>` (Reader g)

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$r \rightarrow b$

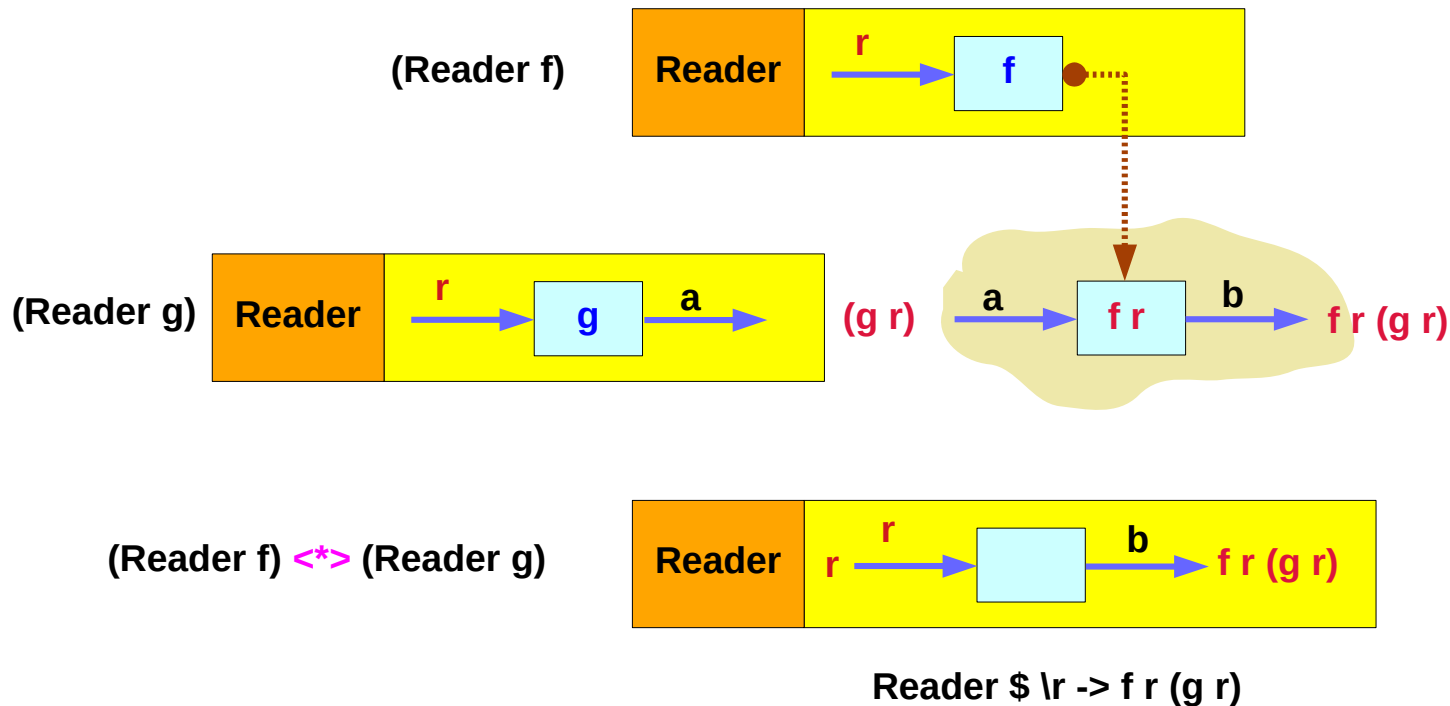
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# Reader Applicative Implementation – $\langle * \rangle$

--  $\langle * \rangle$  :: Reader r (a -> b) -> Reader r a -> Reader r b

$(\text{Reader } f) \langle * \rangle (\text{Reader } g) = \text{Reader } \$ \backslash r \rightarrow f r (g r)$



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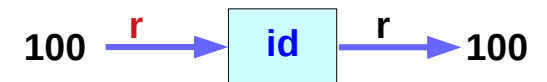
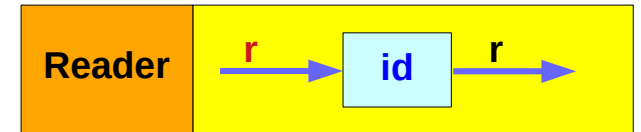


# Reader Monad – examples eg1

```
eg1 :: Reader Int String
eg1 = Reader id >>= \e -> return $ "hey, " ++ show e
```

```
ghci> runReader eg1 100
"hey, 100"
```

Note that we use `id` to produce a **Reader** that just passes its **environment** argument along as the **output**. See **readerAsk** later for the equivalent situation which uses return for **MonadReader**.



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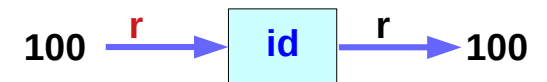
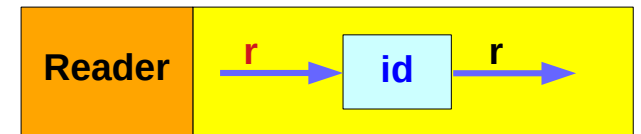
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# Reader Monad – examples eg1'

```
eg1' :: Reader Int String
eg1' = do e <- Reader id
         return $ "hey, " ++ show e
```

```
ghci> runReader eg1' 100
"hey, 100"
```

Note that we use `id` to produce a **Reader** that just passes its **environment** argument along as the **output**. See `readerAsk` later for the equivalent situation which uses return for **MonadReader**.



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# Reader Monad – examples eg1”

`eg1" :: Reader Int String`

`eg1" = do e <- Reader (return :: Int -> [] Int)`

`return $ "hey, " ++ show e`

`ghci> runReader eg1" 100`

`"hey, [100]"`

`[100] : a monadic value`

ambiguous type variable 'm0'  
arising from a use of 'return'  
Need to specify the type  
signature

use a type annotation

`return` of `Monad m`  
`return :: a -> m a`  
`return :: Int -> [] Int`

`[]` is an instance of `Monad`  
`[100] : a monadic value`

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# Reader Monad – src (1)

```
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  fmap f (Reader f') = Reader $ f . f'

instance Applicative (Reader r) where
  pure a = Reader (const a)
  (Reader f) <*> (Reader f') = Reader $ \r -> f r (f' r)

instance Monad (Reader r) where
  return a = Reader $ \_ -> a
  -- m >>= k = Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r)) r -- (1)
  -- (Reader e) >>= f = Reader $ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r -- (2)
  (Reader e) >>= f = Reader $ \r -> runReader (f (e r)) r -- (2)
```

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# Reader Monad – src2

```
eg1 :: Reader Int String
eg1 = Reader id >>= \e -> return $ "hey, " ++ show e
```

```
eg1' :: Reader Int String
eg1' = do e <- Reader id
        return $ "hey, " ++ show e
```

```
eg1'' = do e <- Reader (return:: Int -> [] Int)
          return $ "hey, " ++ show e
```

```
----
*Main> runReader eg1 100
"hey, 100"
*Main> runReader eg1' 101
"hey, 101"
*Main> runReader eg1'' 102
"hey, [102]"
```

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# ReaderT Monad Transformer

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# ReaderT Transformer

```
newtype ReaderT r m a = ReaderT { runReaderT :: r -> m a }

instance (Functor m) => Functor (ReaderT r m) where
  fmap f = mapReaderT (fmap f)

instance (Applicative m) => Applicative (ReaderT r m) where
  pure = liftReaderT . pure
  f <*> v = ReaderT $ \r -> runReaderT f r <*> runReaderT v r

instance (Monad m) => Monad (ReaderT r m) where
  return a = ReaderT $ \_ -> return a -- (1)
  return = liftReaderT . return      -- (2)
  return = liftReaderT . pure        -- (3)

h >=> k = ReaderT $ \r -> do
  a <- runReaderT h r
  runReaderT (k a) r
```

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Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Transformer

**ReaderT** is the **transformer** version of **Reader**.  
can add the **first argument threading** capabilities of **Reader**  
with another **Monad**.

**ReaderT e IO**.

One advantage of using **ReaderT** directly is  
that there is a more expressive version of **local**

Unlike **local**, **withReaderT** can change  
the type of the **environment** from **r** to **r'**.

**1<sup>st</sup> argument - reader e**  
**monad IO**.

<https://hackernoon.com/the-reader-m Monad-part-1-1e4d947983a8>

Implementing **ReaderT**



# ReaderT Transformer – typeclass definition

to use the **Reader** in conjunction with other monads,  
create a transformer **ReaderT**:

for example, running IO actions and also  
having access to the **reader's environment**.

```
newtype ReaderT r m a = ReaderT { runReaderT :: r -> m a }
```

- **r** : the **reader environment**
- **m** : the **monad** (eg. **IO**)
- **a** : the **result** type of the **monad**

The type signature of the accessor function **runReaderT**:

```
runReaderT :: ReaderT r m a -> (r -> m a)
```

**ReaderT** r m a

r -> m a



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Implementing **ReaderT**

# ReaderT Transformer – runReaderT

```
newtype ReaderT r m a = ReaderT { runReaderT :: r -> m a }
```

```
runReaderT :: ReaderT r m a -> (r -> m a)
```

```
runReaderT (ReaderT f) = f
```

`runReaderT` takes a `ReaderT` type

and returns a **function**

that takes a **reader environment** of type `r`

and produces a **monadic value** `m a`

`ReaderT`

`(r -> m a)`

`runReaderT`

```
runReader' :: Reader r a -> (r -> a)
```

```
runReader' (Reader f) = f
```

`runReader`

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Implementing `ReaderT`

# ReaderT Transformer – ReaderT instance

```
instance (Monad m) => Monad (ReaderT r m) where
```

```
  return a = ReaderT $ \_ -> return a
```

```
  h >>= k = ReaderT $ \r -> do
```

```
    a <- runReaderT h r
```

```
    runReaderT (k a) r
```

```
  fail msg = ReaderT $ \_ -> fail msg
```

```
runReaderT :: ReaderT r m a -> (r -> m a)
```

```
runReaderT (ReaderT f) = f
```

```
instance Monad (Reader r) where
```

```
  return a = Reader $ \_ -> a
```

```
  m >>= k = Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r)) r
```

ReaderT r m

ReaderT r m a

r -> m a

h :: ReaderT r m

Reader r

m :: Reader r

<https://downloads.haskell.org/~ghc/6.8.3/docs/html/libraries/mtl/src/Control-Monad-Reader.html>

Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Transformer – ReaderT summary

```
newtype ReaderT r m a = ReaderT { runReaderT :: r -> m a }
```

```
runReaderT :: ReaderT r m a -> (r -> m a)
```

```
runReaderT (ReaderT f) = f
```

```
instance (Monad m) => Monad (ReaderT r m) where
```

```
  return a = ReaderT $ \_ -> return a
```

```
  h >>= k = ReaderT $ \r -> do
```

```
    a <- runReaderT h r
```

```
    runReaderT (k a) r
```

```
  fail msg = ReaderT $ \_ -> fail msg
```

ReaderT r m

f :: (r -> m a)

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# ReaderT Transformer – >>= bind operator

```
h >>= k = ReaderT $ \r -> do
```

```
  a <- runReaderT h r
```

```
  runReaderT (k a) r
```

```
(>>=) :: ReaderT r m a -> (a -> ReaderT r m b) -> ReaderT r m b
```

```
h      :: ReaderT r m a
```

```
k      :: a -> ReaderT r m b
```

```
h >>= k :: ReaderT r m b
```

ReaderT r m

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Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Transformer – liftReaderT

```
liftReaderT :: m a -> ReaderT r m a
```

```
liftReaderT m = ReaderT (\_ -> m)
```

with a **ReaderT** as the **outer monad**,  
it is desired to impart the **reader capability**  
to a **monadic computation**

lift

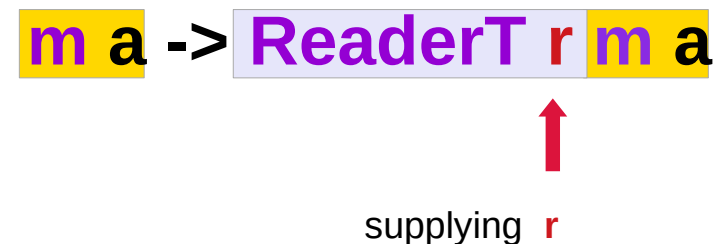
when a **monadic action** **m** has nothing to do  
with the **reader environment** **r**

In order to **lift** such a **monadic value** **m**,  
**liftReaderT** does not take the **environment**:  
but return a **ReaderT** monad value

Outer **ReaderT** monad

lift all monads to **ReaderT**

**LiftReaderT** does not use  
**environment** **r** but return  
**ReaderT** monad value



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Implementing **ReaderT**

# ReaderT Transformer – liftReaderT example

```
egLift :: ReaderT Int IO ()
```

```
egLift = do e <- ReaderT return ..... e :: Int <- ReaderT r m Int
          liftReaderT $ print "boo" ..... ReaderT r m ()
          liftReaderT $ print $ "value of e: " ++ show e ..... ReaderT r m ()
```

*side effect*

```
liftReaderT :: m a -> ReaderT r m a
```

```
liftReaderT m = ReaderT (\_ -> m) -- (1)
```

```
liftReaderT m = ReaderT (const m) -- (2)
```

```
print :: Show a => a -> IO ()
```

```
liftReaderT print "boo"
```

```
IO () -> ReaderT r IO ()
```

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# print

**print** takes a value of any type that's an **instance** of **Show** (meaning that we know how to represent it as a **string**), calls **show** with that value to stringify it and then outputs that **string** to the terminal.

It first runs **show** on a **value** and then **feeds** that to **putStrLn**, which **returns** an **I/O action** that will print out our value.

**putStrLn . show.**

<b>main = do</b>	<b>\$ runhaskell print_test.hs</b>
<b>print True</b>	<b>True</b>
<b>print 2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>print "haha"</b>	<b>"haha"</b>
<b>print 3.2</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>print [3,4,3]</b>	<b>[3,4,3]</b>

<http://learnyouahaskell.com/input-and-output>



# print vs. putStrLn

When we **type** out a value (like 3 or [1,2,3]) and press the **return** key, GHCi actually uses **print** on that value to display it on our terminal!

```
ghci> 3
3
ghci> print 3
3
ghci> map (++"!") ["hey","ho","woo"]
["hey!","ho!","woo!"]
ghci> print (map (++"!") ["hey","ho","woo"])
["hey!","ho!","woo!"]
```

to print out **strings**, use **putStrLn**  
no **quotes**

to print out values of other types  
use **print**

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# show

- **Show a => a** : just run show and print it
- **Show a => IO a** : execute the action, run show and print
- **IO ()** : print nothing

```
ghci>15
15
ghci>'a' : 'b' : 'c' : []
"abc"
ghci>putStrLn "Hello, world!"
Hello, world!
ghci>putStrLn "Hello, world!" >> return 42
Hello, world!
42
ghci>
```

ghci has **three cases** for return values:

if you type an IO action, it get's executed and the result gets printed if it's not ().

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/8332307/show-for-io-types>

# ReaderT Transformer – examples

```
egLift :: ReaderT Int IO ()
egLift = do e <- ReaderT return
          liftReaderT $ print "boo"
          liftReaderT $ print $ "value of e: " ++ show e
```

```
eg1 :: Reader Int String
eg1 = Reader id >=> \e -> return $ "hey, " ++ show e
```

```
eg1' :: Reader Int String
eg1' = do e <- Reader id
        return $ "hey, " ++ show e
```

```
return :: a -> m a
return :: Int -> IO Int
```

```
ghci> runReaderT egLift 100
"boo"
"value of e: 100"
```

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

```
ghci> runReader eg1' 100
"hey, 100"
```

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# ReaderT Transformer – reading the environment

```
egLift :: ReaderT Int IO ()
egLift = do e <- ReaderT return
```

-- side effect

```
liftReaderT $ print "boo"
```

```
liftReaderT $ print $ "value of e: " ++ show e
```

```
ghci> runReaderT egLift 100
```

```
"boo"
```

```
"value of e: 100"
```

```
ReaderT r m a
ReaderT Int IO ()
```

```
ReaderT return
```

```
ReaderT $ r -> m r
```

```
ReaderT $ Int -> IO Int
```

```
runReaderT egLift 100
```

```
runReaderT ReaderT $ Int -> IO Int 100
```

```
(Int -> IO Int) 100
```

```
IO 100
```

```
e <- IO 100
```

side effect

```
e <- 100
```

only the result

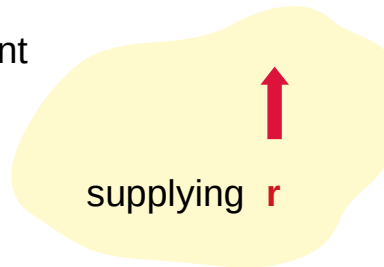
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Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Transformer – return

```
instance (Monad m) => Monad (ReaderT r m) where
  return a = ReaderT $ \_ -> return a           -- (1)
  return   = liftReaderT . return               -- (2)
  return   = liftReaderT . pure                 -- (3)
```

The return function ignores the environment  
Inject a value into the monadic type.



```
instance Monad (Reader r) where
  return a = Reader $ \_ -> a
  m >=> k = Reader $ \r -> runReader (k (runReader m r)) r
```

ReaderT r m

ReaderT r m a

r -> m a

Reader r

m :: Reader r

# Class Constraints and Overloading

```
class Eq a where
```

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

```
data Tree a = Leaf a | Branch (Tree a) (Tree a)
```

```
instance (Eq a) => Eq (Tree a) where
```

```
Leaf a == Leaf b
```

```
= a == b
```

```
(Branch l1 r1) == (Branch l2 r2)
```

```
= (l1 == l2) && (r1 == r2)
```

```
  _ == _
```

```
= False
```

```
== in (Tree a)
```

```
== in a
```

<https://www.haskell.org/tutorial/classes.html>

Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Transformer – return

```
instance (Monad m) => Monad (ReaderT r m) where
```

```
return a = ReaderT $ \_ -> return a
```

```
return = liftReaderT . return
```

```
return = liftReaderT . pure
```

```
return in  
ReaderT r m
```

```
return, pure in  
m
```

```
return ::  
a -> m a
```

```
return ::  
liftReaderT . return ::  
a -> ReaderT r m a
```

↑  
supplying r

```
readerT $ \_ -> return a
```

↑  
supplying r

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Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Functor

```
mapReaderT :: (m a -> n b) -> ReaderT r m a -> ReaderT r n b
```

```
mapReaderT f m = ReaderT $ f . runReaderT m
```

```
instance (Functor m) => Functor (ReaderT r m) where
```

```
  fmap f = mapReaderT (fmap f)
```

```
instance Functor (Reader r) where
```

```
-- fmap :: (a -> b) -> Reader r a -> Reader r b
```

```
fmap f (Reader f') = Reader $ f . f'
```

<https://downloads.haskell.org/~ghc/6.8.3/docs/html/libraries/mtl/src/Control-Monad-Reader.html>

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# ReaderT Functor – mapReaderT

`mapReaderT :: (m a -> n b) -> ReaderT r m a -> ReaderT r n b`

`mapReaderT f m = ReaderT $ f . runReaderT m`

`mapReaderT f h = ReaderT $ f . runReaderT h`

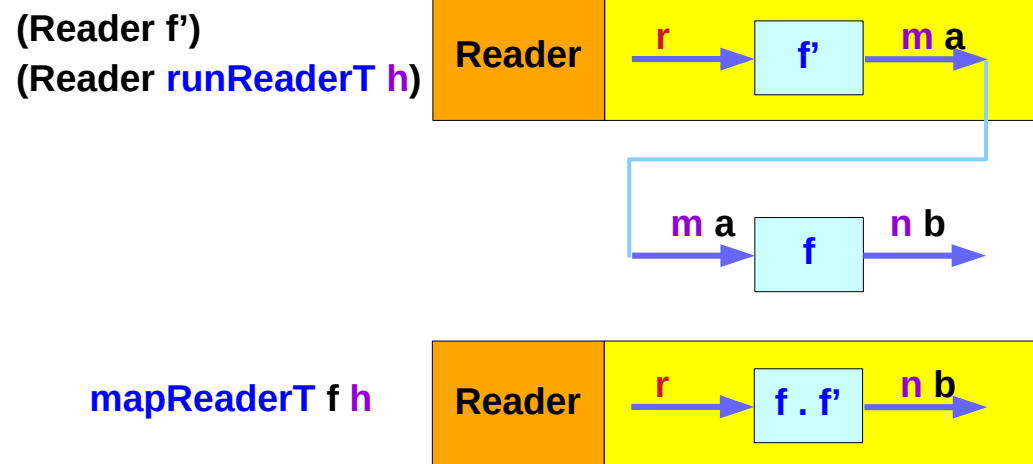
`newtype ReaderT r m a`  
`= ReaderT { runReaderT :: r -> m a }`

`runReaderT ::`  
`ReaderT r m a -> (r -> m a)`

`runReaderT (ReaderT f') = f'`

`m' :: ReaderT r m a`  
`h :: ReaderT r m a`

`runReaderT m :: (r -> m a)`  
`runReaderT h :: (r -> m a)`



# ReaderT Applicative

```
instance (Applicative m) => Applicative (ReaderT r m) where
  pure   = liftReaderT . pure
  f <*> v = ReaderT $ \r -> runReaderT f r <*> runReaderT v r
```

```
instance Applicative (Reader r) where
  -- pure :: a -> Reader r a
  pure a = Reader (const a)
  -- (<*>) :: Reader r (a -> b) -> Reader r a -> Reader r b
  (Reader f) <*> (Reader f') = Reader $ \r -> f r (f' r)
```

<http://hackage.haskell.org/package/transformers-0.5.5.0/docs/src/Control.Monad.Trans.Reader.html#line-143>

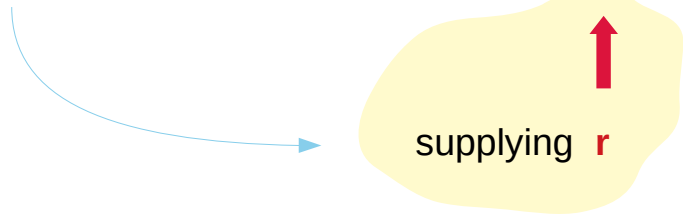
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# ReaderT Applicative – pure

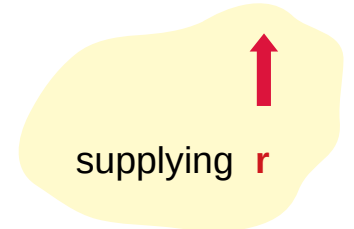
```
pure :: a -> ReaderT r m a
pure = liftReaderT . pure
```

```
pure :: a -> m a
pure :: a -> ReaderT r m a
```

```
liftReaderT . return :: a -> ReaderT r m a
```



```
liftReaderT :: m a -> ReaderT r m a
liftReaderT m = ReaderT (\_ -> m)
```



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# ReaderT Applicative – <\*>

```
(<*>) :: ReaderT r m (a -> b) -> ReaderT r m a -> ReaderT r m b  
f <*> v = ReaderT $ \r -> runReaderT f r <*> runReaderT v r
```

f = (ReaderT f')

Reader

r -> m (a -> b)

v = (ReaderT v')

Reader

r -> m a

(ReaderT f') <\*> (ReaderT v')

Reader

r -> m b

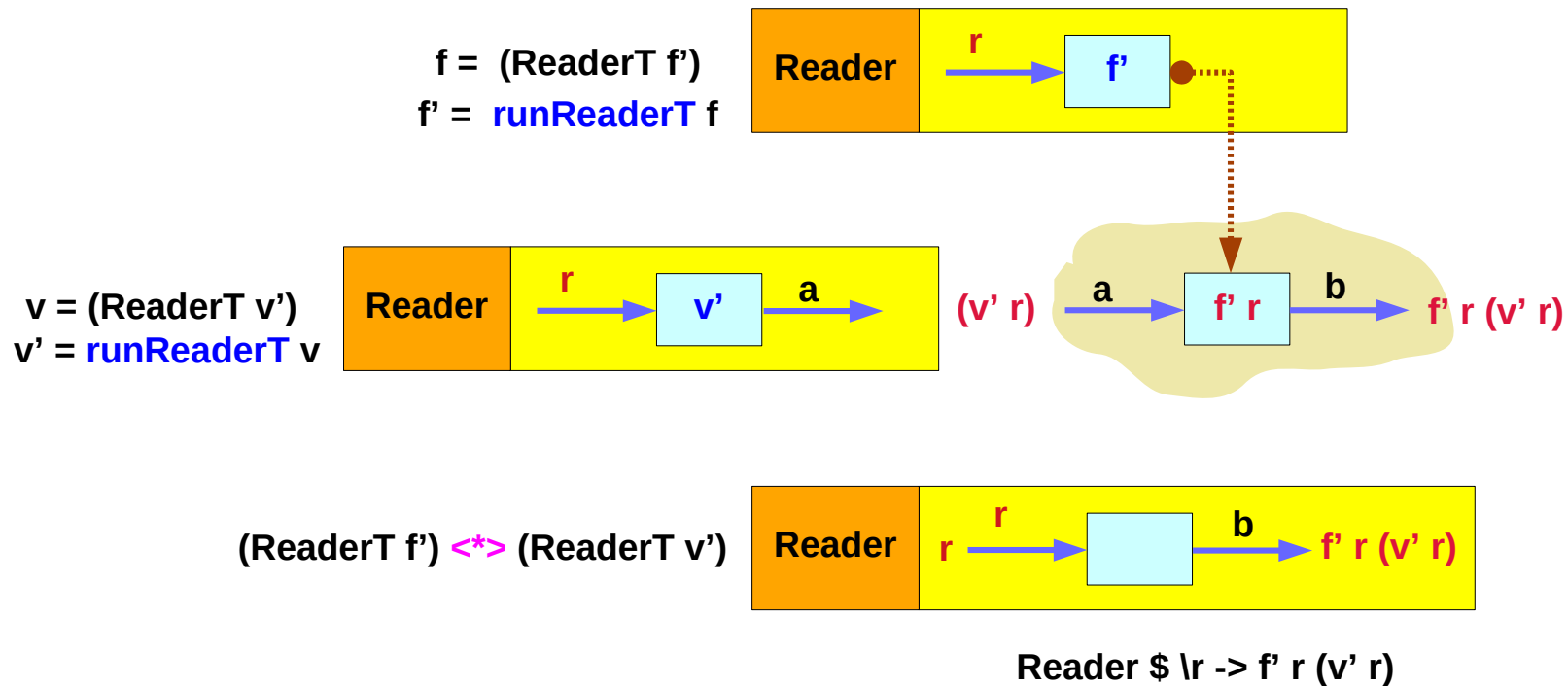
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# Reader Applicative Implementation – $\langle * \rangle$

$\langle * \rangle :: \text{ReaderT } r \ m \ (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow \text{ReaderT } r \ m \ a \rightarrow \text{ReaderT } r \ m \ b$

$f \langle * \rangle v = \text{ReaderT } \$ \ |r \rightarrow \text{runReaderT } f \ r \langle * \rangle \text{runReaderT } v \ r$




[https://www.reddit.com/r/haskellquestions/comments/6r46zp/applicative\\_instance\\_for\\_reader/](https://www.reddit.com/r/haskellquestions/comments/6r46zp/applicative_instance_for_reader/)

Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Transformer – readerAsk

```
readerAsk :: (Monad m) => ReaderT r m r  
readerAsk = ReaderT return
```



ask function:

ReaderT r m r

return :: r -> m r



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Implementing ReaderT

# ReaderT Transformer – withReaderT

`withReaderT :: (r' -> r) -> ReaderT r m a -> ReaderT r' m a`

`withReaderT f rt = ReaderT $ (runReaderT rt) . f`

to modify the **environment**, use `withReaderT`  
which takes a **function** as its first parameter  
to modify the **environment**.

The type of the supplied reader `ReaderT r m a`

The type of the modified reader is `ReaderT r' m a`

so the **function** is of type `r' -> r` which modifies

`f :: r' -> r` *modifying function*

`rt :: ReaderT r m a` *supplied reader*

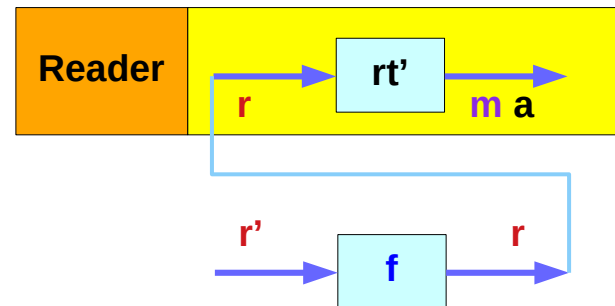
`(r' -> r)`

`(r into r')`

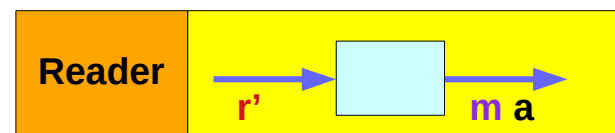
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*(modified)*

`withReaderT`



`withReaderT`



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Implementing `ReaderT`

# ReaderT Transformer – readerReader, readerAsk

```
readerReader :: Monad m => (r -> a) -> ReaderT r m a
```

```
readerReader f = ReaderT $ \r -> return (f r)
```

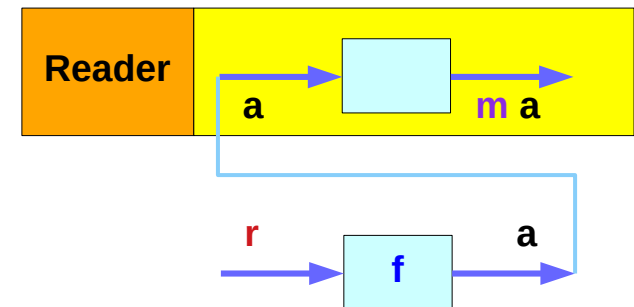
to apply a **function f** to the current environment. (f r)

This is almost the same as **readerAsk** except that we create a **reader** that returns **f r** instead of **f**.

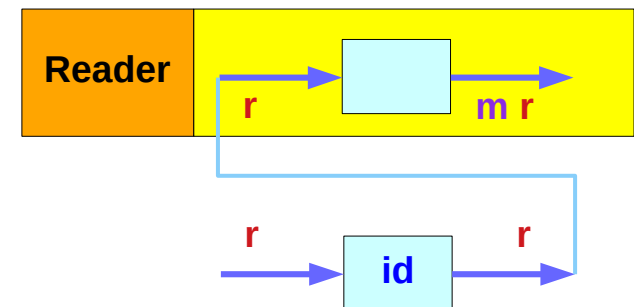
```
readerAsk' :: (Monad m) => ReaderT r m r
```

```
readerAsk' = readerReader id
```

readerReader



readerAsk'



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Implementing **ReaderT**



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# MonadReader Class

# ReaderT instance of MonadReader class


An instance declaration for our **ReaderT** type:

```
instance Monad m => MonadReader r (ReaderT r m) where
```

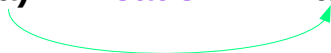
```
ask    = readerAsk    :: ReaderT r m r
```



```
local  = withReaderT  :: (r -> r) -> ReaderT r m a -> ReaderT r m a
```



```
reader = readerReader :: (r -> a) -> ReaderT r m a
```



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Implementing **ReaderT**

# ReaderT Monad Example (1)

```
eg2 :: ReaderT Int IO String
eg2 = do

    e <- ask :: ReaderT Int IO Int

    liftReaderT $ print $ "in eg2 the environment is: " ++ (show e)

    return $ "returned value: " ++ show e
```

use the **IO** monad as the inner monad in a **ReaderT**, with an **Int environment (r)** and **String result (a)** type.

Get the reader environment.

Run an **IO** action; we have to use **liftReaderT** since we are currently

in the **ReaderT** monad, not the **IO** monad.

Final return value, a string.

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Implementing **ReaderT**

# ReaderT Monad Example (2)

```
eg2 :: ReaderT Int IO String
eg2 = do
  e <- ask :: ReaderT Int IO Int
  liftReaderT $ print $ "in eg2 the environment is: " ++ (show e)
  return $ "returned value: " ++ show e
```

```
ghci> result "in eg2 the environment is: 100"
```

```
ghci> result
```

```
"returned value: 100"
```

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# Auto-lifting in **mtl** MonadReader

Each **monad** in the **mtl** is defined in terms of a type class.

**Reader** is an instance of **MonadReader**,

**ReaderT** is also an instance of **MonadReader**

anything that wraps a **MonadReader** is  
also set up to be a **MonadReader**

**asks** and **local** functions will work without any (manual) lifting.

Other **mtl monads** behave in a similar way.

[https://wiki.haskell.org/Monad\\_Transformers\\_Explained](https://wiki.haskell.org/Monad_Transformers_Explained)

# MonadReader Class Definition

```
class Monad m => MonadReader r m | m -> r where
```

See examples in `Control.Monad.Reader`.

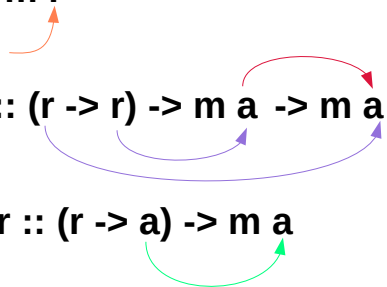
Note, the partially applied function type `(->) r` is a simple **reader** monad.

`(ask | reader), local`

`ask :: m r`

`local :: (r -> r) -> m a -> m a`

`reader :: (r -> a) -> m a`



<http://hackage.haskell.org/package/mtl-2.2.2/docs/Control-Monad-Reader.html>

# MonadReader Class Methods

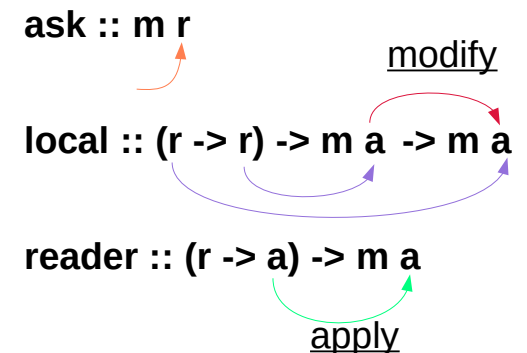
```
class Monad m => MonadReader r m | m -> r where
```

(ask | reader), local

```
ask :: m r      -- retrieves the monad environment.
```

```
local :: (r -> r) -- the select function to modify the environment.  
      -> m a      -- reader to run in the modified environment.  
      -> m a      -- executes a computation in a modified environment.
```

```
reader :: (r -> a) -- the selector function to apply to the environment.  
       -> m a      -- retrieves a function of the current environment.
```



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# ReaderT Transformer – src (1)

```
{-# LANGUAGE FlexibleInstances #-}
{-# LANGUAGE FunctionalDependencies #-}
{-# LANGUAGE MultiParamTypeClasses #-}

newtype ReaderT r m a = ReaderT { runReaderT :: r -> m a }

instance (Functor m) => Functor (ReaderT r m) where
  fmap f = mapReaderT (fmap f)

instance (Applicative m) => Applicative (ReaderT r m) where
  pure   = liftReaderT . pure
  f <*> v = ReaderT $ \ r -> runReaderT f r <*> runReaderT v r

instance (Monad m) => Monad (ReaderT r m) where
-- return a = ReaderT $ \ _ -> return a -- (1)
-- return = liftReaderT . return      -- (2)
-- return = liftReaderT . pure        -- (3)
  return a = ReaderT $ \ _ -> return a -- (1)

-- h >>= k = ReaderT $ \ r -> runReaderT (k (runReaderT h r)) r -- (X)
  h >>= k = ReaderT $ \ r -> do
    a <- runReaderT h r
    runReaderT (k a) r
```

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# ReaderT Transformer – src (2)

```
-- runReaderT :: ReaderT r m a -> (r -> m a)
-- runReaderT (ReaderT f a) = f a

mapReaderT :: (m a -> n b) -> ReaderT r m a -> ReaderT r n b
mapReaderT f m = ReaderT $ f . runReaderT m

liftReaderT :: m a -> ReaderT r m a
liftReaderT m = ReaderT (\_ -> m)

egLift :: ReaderT Int IO ()
egLift = do e <- ReaderT return
          liftReaderT $ print "boo"
          liftReaderT $ print $ "value of e: " ++ show e

----
*Main> runReaderT egLift 100
"boo"
"value of e: 100"
```

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# ReaderT Transformer – src (3)

```
class Monad m => MonadReader r m | m -> r where
  ask :: m r
  ask = reader id
  local :: (r -> r) -> m a -> m a
  reader :: (r -> a) -> m a
  reader f = do
    r <- ask
    return (f r)
  asks :: MonadReader r m => (r -> a) -> m a
  asks = reader
```

```
instance Monad m => MonadReader r (ReaderT r m) where
  ask    = readerAsk
  local  = withReaderT
  reader = readerReader
```

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# ReaderT Transformer – src (4)

```
readerAsk :: (Monad m) => ReaderT r m r
readerAsk = ReaderT return

withReaderT :: (r' -> r) -> ReaderT r m a -> ReaderT r' m a
withReaderT f rt = ReaderT $ (runReaderT rt) . f

readerReader :: Monad m => (r -> a) -> ReaderT r m a
readerReader f = ReaderT $ \r -> return (f r)

readerAsk' :: (Monad m) => ReaderT r m r
readerAsk' = readerReader id

eg2 :: ReaderT Int IO String
eg2 = do e <- ask :: ReaderT Int IO Int
        liftReaderT $ print $ "in eg2 the env is: " ++ (show e)
        return $ "returned value: " ++ show e

----
*Main> runReaderT eg2 100
"in eg2 the env is: 100"
"returned value: 100"
```

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# ReaderT Transformer – src using mtl package

```
import Control.Monad.Reader

liftReaderT :: m a -> ReaderT r m a
liftReaderT m = ReaderT (const m)

eg2 :: ReaderT Int IO String
eg2 = do e <- ask :: ReaderT Int IO Int
      liftReaderT $ print $ "in eg2 the env is: " ++ (show e)
      return $ "returned value: " ++ show e
```

```
----
*Main> runReaderT eg2 100
"in eg2 the env is: 100"
"returned value: 100"
```

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# Pragmas for MonadReader Class

```
{-# LANGUAGE FlexibleInstances #-}  
{-# LANGUAGE FunctionalDependencies #-}  
{-# LANGUAGE MultiParamTypeClasses #-}
```

# Multi-parameter type class

Basically, type classes which can take multiple arguments, such as:

```
class Monad m => VarMonad m v where  
  new :: a -> m (v a)  
  get :: v a -> m a  
  put :: v a -> a -> m ()  
  
instance VarMonad IO IORef where ...  
instance VarMonad (ST s) (STRef s) where ...
```

To enable them, use the `{-# LANGUAGE MultiParamTypeClasses #-}` pragma.

[https://wiki.haskell.org/Multi-parameter\\_type\\_class](https://wiki.haskell.org/Multi-parameter_type_class)

# Functional dependencies

```
-- Read as: "container" type determines "elem" type.  
class Extract container elem | container -> elem where  
  extract :: container -> elem  
  
instance Extract (a,b) a where  
  extract (x,_) = x  
  
-- instance Extract (a,b) b where ...  
  
v = extract ('x', 3)  
  
v :: Char
```

FlexibleInstances +  
MultiParamTypeClasses +  
FunctionalDependencies

we won't declare multiple instances  
with the same "container" type.

we can't have the previous instance  
\*and\* this one:

figure it out without  
the functional dependency.

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# Flexible Instances

The FlexibleInstances extension allows the head of the instance declaration to mention arbitrary nested types.

For example, this becomes a legal instance declaration

**instance C (Maybe Int) where ...**

**class C where ...**

**Int**

**Maybe Int** – a nested type

[https://downloads.haskell.org/~ghc/latest/docs/html/users\\_guide/glasgow\\_exts.html](https://downloads.haskell.org/~ghc/latest/docs/html/users_guide/glasgow_exts.html)



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