

Maybe Monad (3C)

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Maybe Monad

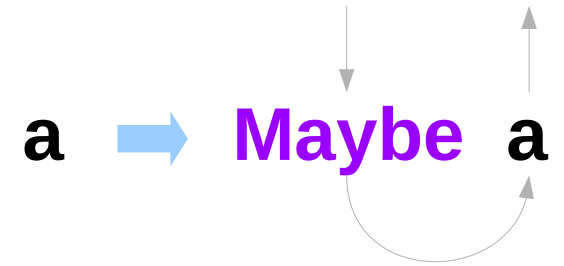
a **Monad** is just a special **Functor** with extra features

Monads like **Maybe**

map types **a** to a new type **Maybe a**
that represent "computations that result in values"

- Wrap meaningful values by **Just x**
- All meaningless values by **Nothing**

Monads like **Maybe**, the **bind** (**>>=**) operation
passes meaningful values through **Just**, while
Nothing will force the result to always be **Nothing**.



<https://wiki.haskell.org/Maybe>

An immediate abort

Maybe is also a **Monad**

represents “**computations** that could *fail* to return a **value**”

enables **an immediate abort**

by a **valueless return** in the middle of a computation.

enable a whole bunch of computations

without explicit checking for errors in each step

a **computation** on **Maybe** values stops

as soon as a **Nothing** is encountered

context

semantics

effects

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/18808258/what-does-the-just-syntax-mean-in-haskell>

Maybe type constructor

The type constructor is $m = \text{Maybe}$

```
return :: a -> Maybe a
```

```
(>>=) :: Maybe a -> (a -> Maybe b) -> Maybe b
```

general Monad type class

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

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

https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Haskell/Understanding_monads

Maybe Monad Implementation

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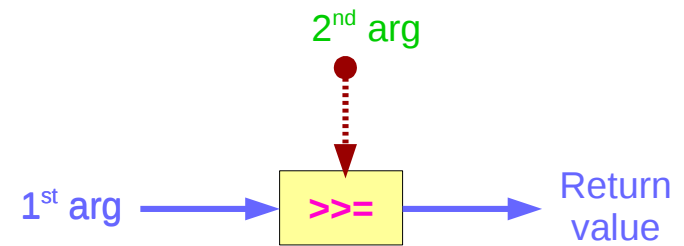
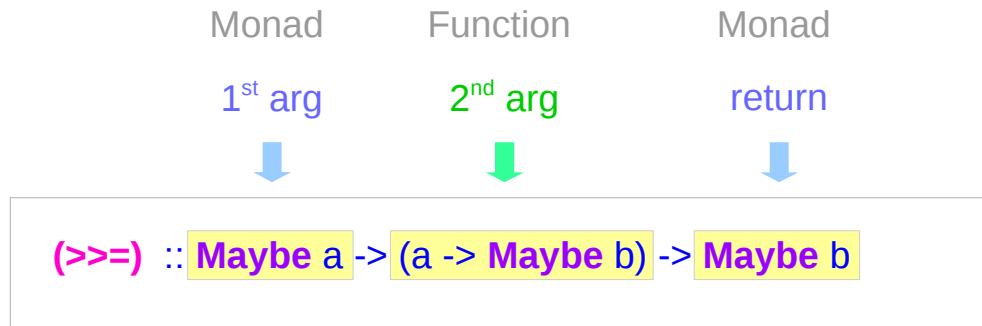
```
mx >>= g = case mx of  
    Nothing -> Nothing  
    Just x -> g x
```

```
mx :: Maybe a
```

```
g :: a -> Maybe b
```

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Maybe Monad - >>=



```
mx >>= g = case mx of  
    Nothing -> Nothing  
    Just x -> g x
```

if there is an underlying value of type a in m,
we apply g to it, which brings the underlying value back into the Maybe monad.

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Maybe Monad

```
instance Monad Maybe where
```

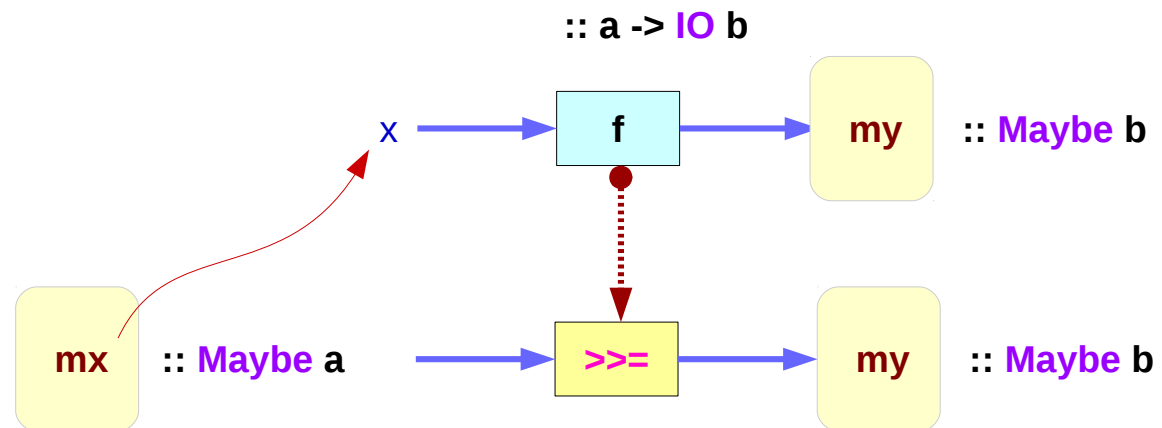
```
  return x = Just x
```

```
  mx >=> g = case mx of
    Nothing -> Nothing
    Just x   -> g x
```

```
type IO t = World -> (t, World)
```

type synonym

```
ioX >=> f :: IO a -> (a -> IO b) -> IO b
```



<https://www.cs.hmc.edu/~adavidso/monads.pdf>

Maybe Monad

```
(>>=) :: Maybe a -> (a -> Maybe b) -> Maybe b
```

```
mx >>= g = case mx of  
    Nothing -> Nothing  
    Just x   -> g x
```

mx >>= g (a function with 2 args)

mx :: Maybe a (Maybe monad)

g :: (a -> Maybe b) (function)

x :: a

g x :: Maybe b

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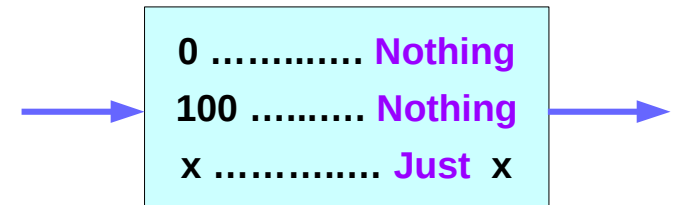
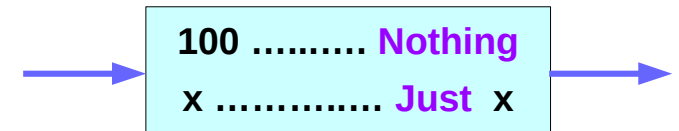
Maybe as a Monad

```
f :: Int -> Maybe Int
f 0 = Nothing
f x = Just x
```

if $x==0$ then **Nothing**
else **Just x**

```
g :: Int -> Maybe Int
g 100 = Nothing
g x   = Just x
```

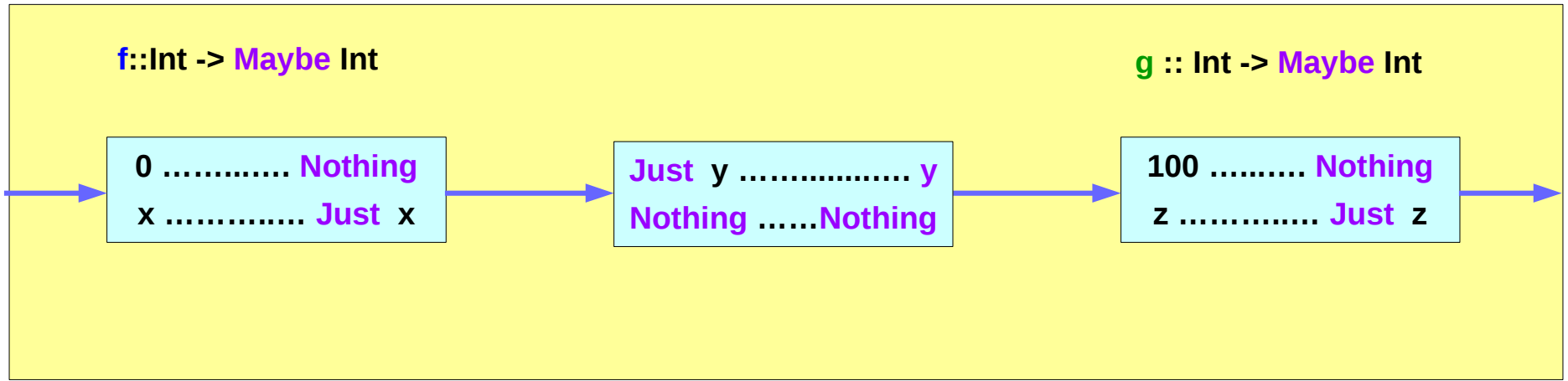
if $x==100$ then **Nothing**
else **Just x**



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Maybe as a Monad

$h :: \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Maybe Int}$ or $h' :: \text{Int} \rightarrow \text{Maybe Int}$



$\text{Int} \xrightarrow{f} \text{Maybe Int} \xrightarrow{\text{flattening}} \text{Int} \xrightarrow{g} \text{Maybe Int}$

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Maybe as a Monad

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g::Int -> Maybe Int  
g 100 = Nothing  
g x   = Just x
```

```
if x==100 then Nothing  
else Just x
```

```
h::Int -> Maybe Int  
h x = case f x of  
      Just n -> g n  
      Nothing -> Nothing
```

```
if f x==Nothing then Nothing  
else g n
```

```
h'::Int -> Maybe Int  
h' x = do n <- f x  
         g n
```

```
g ( f x )
```

Compact Codes

h & h' give the same results
h 0 = h' 0 = h 100 = h' 100 = Nothing;
h x = h' x = Just x

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      Nothing -> Nothing
```

```
h' :: Int -> Maybe Int  
h' x = do n <- f x  
        g n
```

```
h'' :: Int -> Maybe Int  
h'' x = f x >>= g
```

```
(>>=) :: Maybe a -> (a -> Maybe b) -> Maybe b
```

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mx >>= g = case mx of  
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Monad Definition

```
class Monad m where
  return :: a -> m a

  (>>=) :: m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b

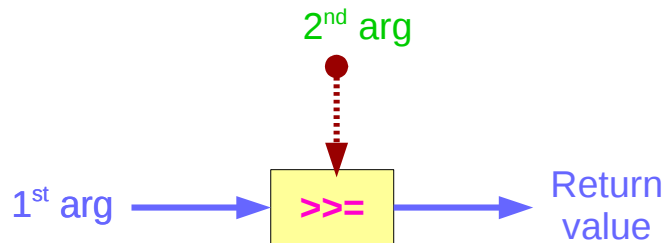
  (>>) :: m a -> m b -> m b
  x >> y = x >>= \_ -> y

  fail :: String -> m a
  fail msg = error msg
```

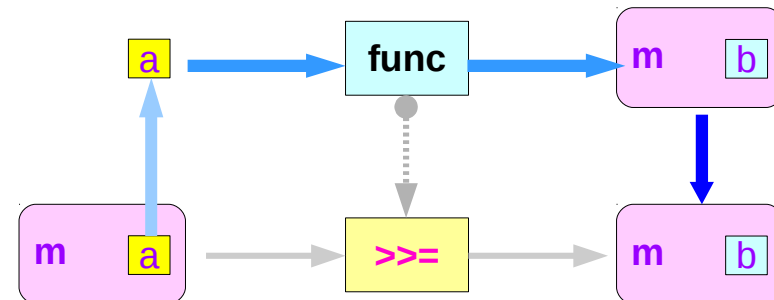
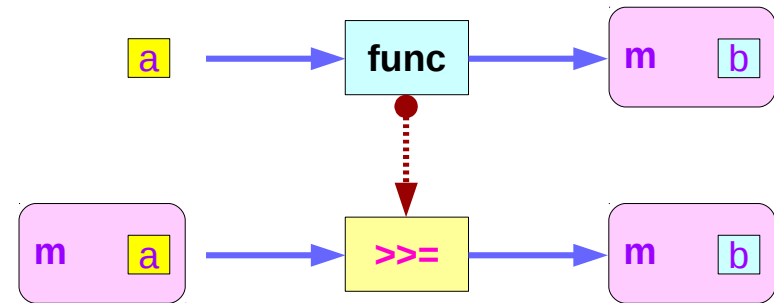
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Monad – Bind Operation

class **Monad** m where
(>>=) :: m a -> (a -> m b) -> m b



1 st arg	Monad	m a
2 nd arg	Function	(a -> m b)
return	Monad	m b



Maybe Monad

$(\gg=)$:: Maybe a -> (a -> Maybe b) -> Maybe b

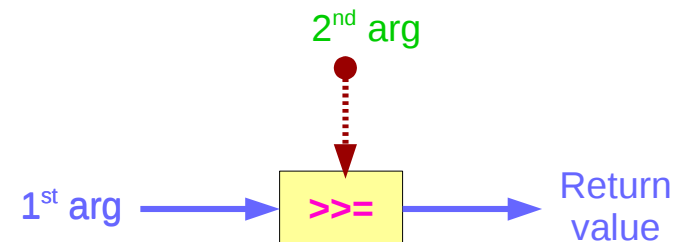
$mx \gg= g$ = case mx of
Nothing -> Nothing
Just x -> g x

mx :: Maybe a (Maybe monad)
 g :: (a -> Maybe b) (function)

$mx \gg= g$ (a function with 2 args)

g :: (a -> Maybe b)
 x :: a
 g x :: Maybe b

1 st arg	Monad	m a
2 nd arg	Function	(a -> m b)
return	Monad	m b

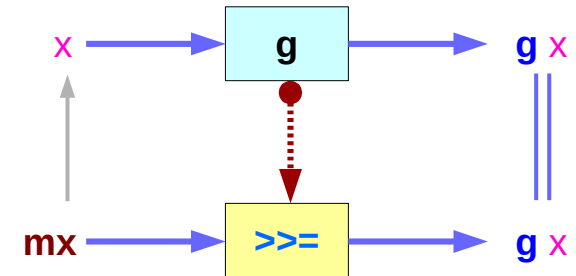
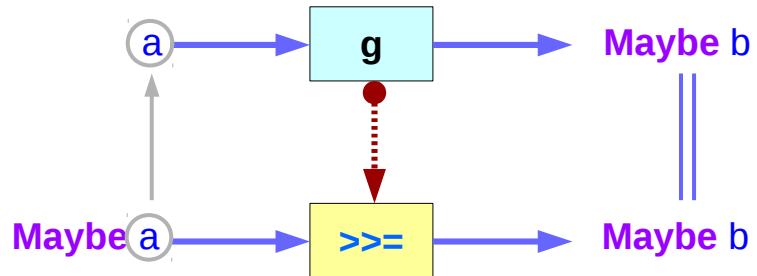


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Monad Class Function $\gg=$ & \gg

$(\gg=) :: \text{Maybe } a \rightarrow (a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } b) \rightarrow \text{Maybe } b$

$\text{mx } \gg= \text{g} = \text{case } \text{mx} \text{ of}$
 $\text{Nothing} \rightarrow \text{Nothing}$
 $\text{Just } x \rightarrow \text{g } x$



$\text{Just } x \longrightarrow \text{g } x$
 $\text{Nothing} \longrightarrow \text{Nothing}$

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Monad Class Function $>>=$ & $>>$

Maybe is the monad

return brings a value into it
by wrapping it with **Just**

$(>>=)$ takes

a value $m :: \text{Maybe } a$

a function $g :: a \rightarrow \text{Maybe } b$

if m is **Nothing**,

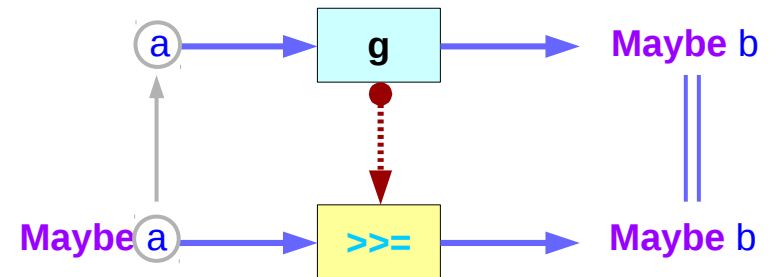
there is nothing to do and the result is **Nothing**.

Otherwise, in the **Just** x case,

the underlying value x is wrapped in **Just**
 g is applied to x , to give a **Maybe** b result.

Note that this result may or may not be **Nothing**,
depending on what g does to x .

```
(>>=) :: Maybe a -> (a -> Maybe b) -> Maybe b
m >>= g = case m of
  Nothing -> Nothing
  Just x   -> g x
```



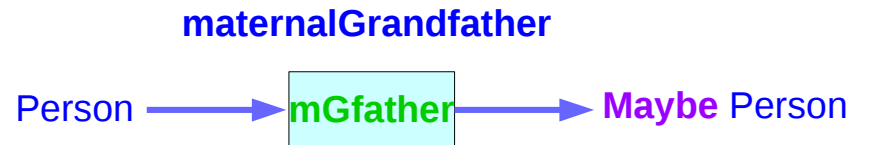
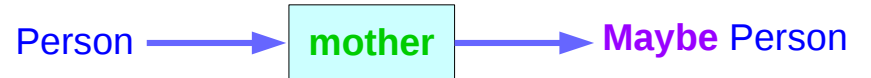
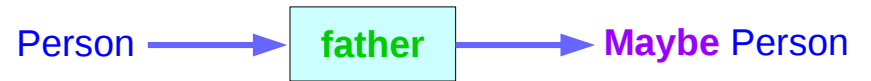
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Maybe Person Examples

a family database that provides two functions:

father :: Person -> Maybe Person
mother :: Person -> Maybe Person

maternalGrandfather :: Person -> Maybe Person



Input the name of someone's father or mother.

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Nothing

Maybe Person

- Database
- Query information

when a query is failed
(no relevant information in the database)

➡ **Maybe** is useful

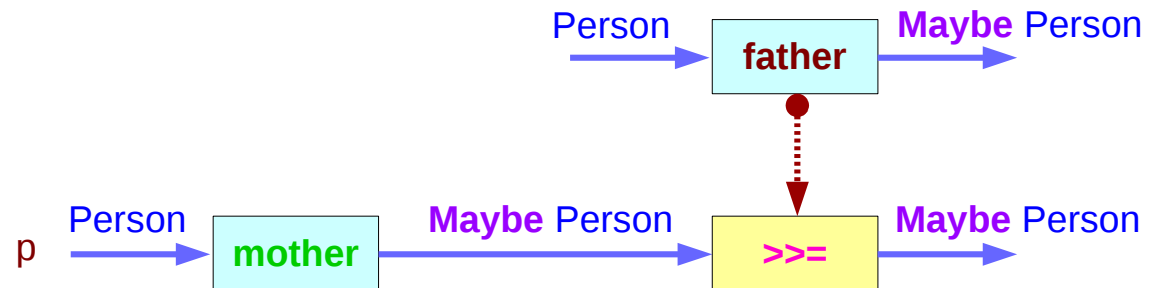
Maybe returns a **Nothing** value to indicate that the lookup failed, rather than crashing the program.

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Maternal Grand Father

```
maternalGrandfather :: Person -> Maybe Person
maternalGrandfather p =
  case mother p of
    Nothing -> Nothing
    Just mom -> father mom
```

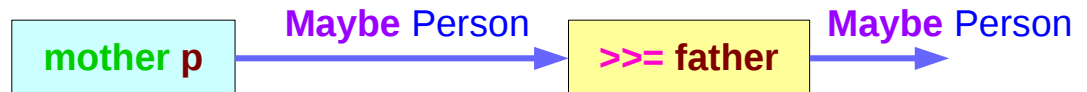
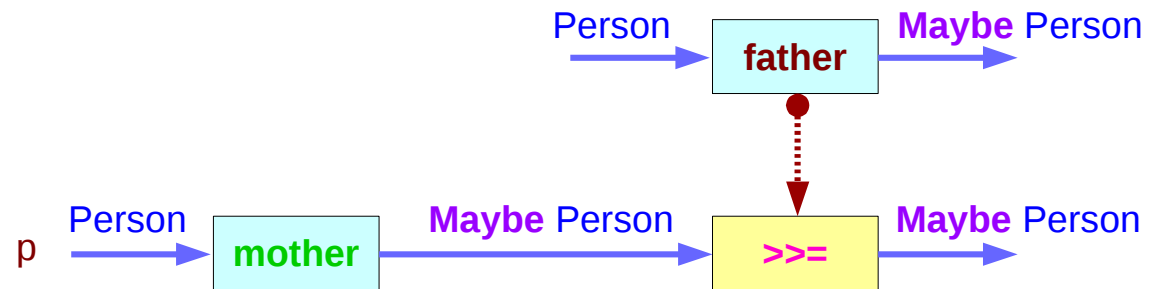
```
maternalGrandfather p = mother p >>= father
```



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Maternal Grand Father

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maternalGrandfather p = mother p >>= father
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Maternal and Paternal Grand Fathers

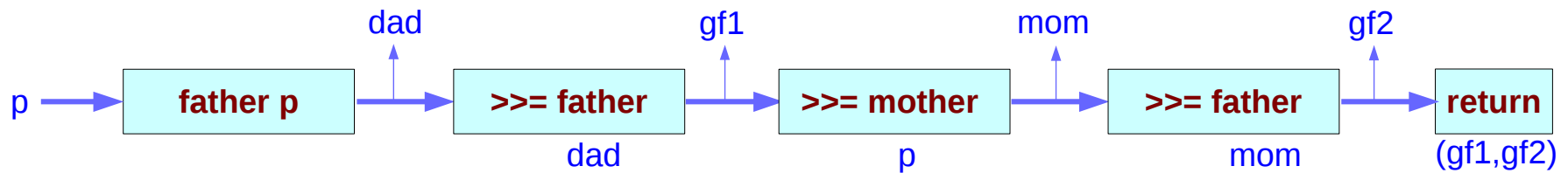
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```
bothGrandfathers :: Person -> Maybe (Person, Person)
bothGrandfathers p =
  case father p of
    Nothing -> Nothing
    Just dad ->
      case father dad of
        Nothing -> Nothing
        Just gf1 ->          -- found first grandfather
          case mother p of
            Nothing -> Nothing
            Just mom ->
              case father mom of
                Nothing -> Nothing
                Just gf2 ->    -- found second grandfather
                  Just (gf1, gf2)
```

Maybe Monad Examples

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```
bothGrandfathers p =  
  father p >>=  
    (\dad -> father dad >>=  
      (\gf1 -> mother p >>= -- gf1 is only used in the final return  
        (\mom -> father mom >>=  
          (\gf2 -> return (gf1,gf2) ))))
```



Data Type Definition Monad

```
data Maybe a = Just a  
             | Nothing
```

a type definition: **Maybe** a

a parameter of a type variable a,

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/18808258/what-does-the-just-syntax-mean-in-haskell>

Two Data Constructors

```
data Maybe a = Just a  
             | Nothing
```

two constructors: **Just a** and **Nothing**

a value of **Maybe a** type must be constructed via either **Just** or **Nothing**
there are no other (non-error) possibilities.

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Just and Nothing Data Constructors

```
data Maybe a = Just a
             | Nothing
```

Nothing has no parameter type,
names a constant value
that is a member of type **Maybe a** for all types **a**.

Just constructor has a type parameter,
acts like a function from type **a** to **Maybe a**,
i.e. it has the type **a -> Maybe a**

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Pattern Matching in Data Constructors

the (data) constructors of a type *build a value* of that type;

when using that *value*,
pattern matching can be applied

- Unlike functions, *constructors* can be used in *pattern binding expressions*
- **case analysis** of values that belong to types with **more than one constructor**.
- need to provide a **pattern** for each constructor

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Pattern Matching in Maybe Monad

case maybeVal of

Nothing -> "There is nothing!"

Just val -> "There is a value, and it is " ++ (show val)



a pattern for each
constructor

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Maybe as a monad

the type signature **IO a** looks remarkably similar to **Maybe a**.

- IO doesn't expose its constructors
- only be "run" by the Haskell runtime system
- a Functor
- a Monad

a Monad is just a special kind of Functor with some extra features

value returning

Monads like **IO** *map* types to new types that represent "computations that result in values"

lifting function

can *lift functions* into **Monad types** via a very fmap-like function called **liftM** that turns a regular function into a "computation that results in the value obtained by evaluating the function."

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Maybe as a monad

valueless return

Maybe is also a **Monad**

represents "computations that could *fail to return a value*"

no explicit check in each step

don't have to check explicitly for errors after each step.

immediate abort

Because of the way the Monad instance is constructed, a computation on Maybe values *stops as soon as* a **Nothing** is encountered,

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Monad – List Comprehension Examples

```
[x*2 | x<-[1..10], odd x]
```

```
do
  x <- [1..10]
  if odd x
    then [x*2]
    else []
```

```
[1..10] >>= (\x -> if odd x then [x*2] else [])
```

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Monad – I/O Examples

```
do
  putStrLn "What is your name?"
  name <- getLine
  putStrLn ("Welcome, " ++ name ++ "!!")
```

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Monad – A Parser Example

```
parseExpr = parseString <|> parseNumber
```

```
parseString = do  
  char ""  
  x <- many (noneOf "\"")  
  char ""  
  return (StringValue x)
```

```
parseNumber = do  
  num <- many1 digit  
  return (NumberValue (read num))
```

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Monad – Asynchronous Examples

```
let AsyncHttp(url:string) =  
    async { let req = WebRequest.Create(url)  
            let! rsp = req.GetResponseAsync()  
            use stream = rsp.GetResponseStream()  
            use reader = new System.IO.StreamReader(stream)  
            return reader.ReadToEnd() }
```

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