

Monad P3 : IO Monad Methods (2B)

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Haskell in 5 steps

https://wiki.haskell.org/Haskell_in_5_steps

Examples of Returning IO a Value

```
getChar  :: IO Char
putChar  :: Char -> IO ()
```

```
main     :: IO ()
main     = do c <- getChar
           putChar c           c :: Char
```

```
ready    :: IO Bool
ready    = do c <- getChar
           c == 'y' -- Bad!!!
```

```
ready    :: IO Bool
ready    = do c <- getChar
           return (c == 'y')
```

`c == 'y'` : just a boolean value,
not an **action**.

need to take this boolean

and create an **action**

that does nothing

but return the boolean as its result.

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

do produces a chain of statements

```
return      :: a -> IO a

getLine    :: IO String
getLine    = do c <- getChar
              if c == '\n'
                then return ""
                else do l <- getLine
                       return (c:l)
```

Each **do** introduces a single chain of statements.

Any intervening construct, such as the **if**,
must use a new **do** to initiate further sequences of actions.

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Unsafe functions – extracting **a** from **IO a**

```
f :: Int -> Int -> Int
```

absolutely cannot do any **I/O**
since no **IO a** in the returned type.

it is not intended to place **print** statements liberally throughout
their code during debugging in Haskell. (not like C programming)

There are some **unsafe functions** available to get around this
problem but these are not recommended.

Debugging packages (like **Trace**) often make liberal use of
these '**forbidden functions**' in an entirely safe manner.

Note that there is no function like this:

```
unsafe :: IO a -> a
```

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

IO global ordering

No escape from the **IO monad**.

[exception: **unsafePerformIO**. Do not use!]

all the I/O that your program will ever perform gets bundled up into a giant single IO block, thus enforcing a **global ordering** on the operations.

[unless **forkIO** is called]

unsafePerformIO is so **unsafe** because it is impossible to figure out exactly *when*, *if*, or *how* many times the enclosed **I/O operations** will happen

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IO Actions: Ordinary Values

```
todoList :: [IO ()]

todoList = [ putChar 'a',
             do putChar 'b'
               putChar 'c',
             do c <- getChar
               putChar c]
```

This list does not actually invoke any **actions**
---it simply holds them.

To join these **actions** into a **single action**,
a function such as `sequence_` is needed:

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

Join a list of actions

```
sequence_    :: [IO ()] -> IO ()  
sequence_ [] = return ()  
sequence_ (a:as) = do a  
                  sequence_ as
```

```
sequence_    :: [IO ()] -> IO ()  
sequence_    = foldr (>>) (return ())
```

do x;y

x >> y

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

Another Examples of Returning IO a (1)

```
getLine :: IO String
```

```
putStrLn :: String -> IO () -- note that the result value is an empty tuple.
```

```
randomRIO :: (Random a) => (a,a) -> IO a
```

Normally Haskell **evaluation** doesn't cause this **execution** to occur.

A value of type (IO a) is almost completely inert.
the only IO **action** that can be run is main

https://wiki.haskell.org/Introduction_to_IO

Another Examples of Returning IO a (2)

```
main :: IO ()
main = putStrLn "Hello, World!"
```

`putStrLn :: String -> IO ()`

```
main = putStrLn "Hello" >> putStrLn "World"
```

```
main = putStrLn "Hello, what is your name?"
      >> getLine
      >>= \name -> putStrLn ("Hello, " ++ name ++ "!")
```

`getLine :: IO String`

`putStrLn :: String -> IO ()`

https://wiki.haskell.org/Introduction_to_IO

putStr via putChar

```
putStr      :: String -> IO ()  
putStr s    = sequence_ (map putChar s)
```

In an **imperative** language,
mapping an **imperative** version of **putChar** over the **string**
would be sufficient to print it.

In **Haskell**, however,
the **map** function does not perform any **action**.
Instead it creates a **list** of **actions**,
one for each **character** in the string.

```
do x;y
```

```
x >> y
```

```
map putChar "abc"
```

```
[ putChar 'a', putChar 'b', putChar 'c' ]
```

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

foldr

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

```
foldr f z [x1, x2, ..., xn] == x1 `f` (x2 `f` ... (xn `f` z)...) 
```

```
foldr (+) 5 [1,2,3,4]
```

```
(+) :: (a -> b -> b)
```

```
5 :: b
```

```
[1,2,3,4] :: [a]
```

```
fold (+) [1,2,3,4,5]
```

```
1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 = 15
```

```
foldr (+) 5 [1,2,3,4]
```

```
(1+(2+(3+(4+5)))) = 15
```

```
foldr (/) 2 [8,12,24,4]
```

```
(8/(12/(24/(4/2))))
```

```
(8/(12/(24/2)))
```

```
(8/(12/12))
```

```
(8/1)
```

```
8
```

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

putStr via putChar example

```
map putChar "abc"
```

```
[ putChar 'a', putChar 'b', putChar 'c' ]
```

```
sequence_ (map putChar "abc")
```

```
foldr (>>) (return ()) (map putChar "abc")
```

```
foldr (>>) (return ()) [ putChar 'a', putChar 'b', putChar 'c' ]
```

```
(putChar 'a' >> (putChar 'b' >> (putChar 'c' >> (return ())))))
```

```
(putChar 'a' >> putChar 'b' >> putChar 'c' >> return ())
```

```
map putChar "abc"
```

```
[ putChar 'a', putChar 'b', putChar 'c' ]
```

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Files, Channels, Handles

```
type FilePath    = String -- path names in the file system
openFile       :: FilePath -> IOMode -> IO Handle
hClose         :: Handle -> IO ()
data IOMode     = ReadMode | WriteMode
                  | AppendMode | ReadWriteMode
```

Opening a file creates a **handle** (of type **Handle**)
for use in I/O transactions.

Closing the **handle** closes the associated file:

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

Files, Channels, Handles

Handles can also be associated with **channels**:

communication ports not directly attached to **files**.

Predefined channel handles :**stdin**, **stdout**, and **stderr**

Character level I/O operations include **hGetChar** and **hPutChar**, which take a handle as an argument.

getChar = **hGetChar** stdin

Haskell also allows the entire **contents** of a **file** or **channel** to be returned as a **single string**:

getContents :: **Handle** -> **IO String**

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

Files, Channels, Handles

```
main = do fromHandle <- getAndOpenFile "Copy from: "  
ReadMode  
toHandle <- getAndOpenFile "Copy to: " WriteMode  
contents <- hGetContents fromHandle  
hPutStr toHandle contents  
hClose toHandle  
putStr "Done."
```

```
getAndOpenFile :: String -> IOMode -> IO Handle  
getAndOpenFile prompt mode =  
do putStr prompt  
name <- getLine  
catch (openFile name mode)  
(\_ -> do putStrLn ("Cannot open "++ name ++ "\n")  
getAndOpenFile prompt mode)
```

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

Functional vs Imperative Programming

```
getLine = do c <- getChar
         if c == '\n'
           then return ""
           else do l <- getLine
                 return (c:l)
```

```
function getLine() {
  c := getChar();
  if c == '\n' then return ""
  else {l := getLine();
       return c:l}}}
```

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

IOError Monad

Errors are encoded using a special data type, **IOError**.

This type represents all possible exceptions that may occur within the **I/O monad**.

This is an **abstract** type:

no constructors for **IOError** are available to the user.

```
isEOFError    :: IOError -> Bool
```

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

Exception Handling

An **exception handler** has type **IOError -> IO a**.

The **catch function** associates an **exception handler** with an **action** or **set of actions**

The **arguments** to catch are an **action** and a **handler**.

```
      action      handler  
catch :: IO a -> (IOError -> IO a) -> IO a
```

If the **action** succeeds,
its result is returned without invoking the handler.

If the **action** fails (an **error** occurs),
the **error** is passed to the **handler** as a **value** of type **IOError**
and the **handler's action** is then invoked

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

Exception Handling

```
catch      :: IO a -> (IOError -> IO a) -> IO a
```

```
getChar'   :: IO Char  
getChar'   = getChar `catch` (\e -> return '\n')
```

```
getChar'   :: IO Char  
getChar'   = getChar `catch` eofHandler where  
eofHandler e = if isEOFError e then return '\n' else ioError e
```

```
isEOFError :: IOError -> Bool
```

```
ioError    :: IOError -> IO a
```

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

Exception Handling

```
getLine' :: IO String
getLine' = catch getLine (\err -> return ("Error: " ++ show err))
  where
    getLine'' = do c <- getChar'
      if c == '\n' then return ""
        else do l <- getLine'
          return (c:l)
```

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

RandomRIO, RandomIO

```
randomR :: RandomGen g => (a, a) -> g -> (a, g)
```

```
random  :: RandomGen g =>          g -> (a, g)
```

takes a range **(lo,hi) :: (a, a)** and
a random number generator **g**,
returns a **random value** uniformly distributed
in the closed interval **[lo,hi]**,
together with a new generator **g**

```
randomRIO :: (a, a) -> IO a
```

```
randomIO  ::          IO a
```

A variant of **randomR** / **random**
that uses the global random number generator

See System.Random

<https://hackage.haskell.org/package/random-1.1/docs/System-Random.html>

RandomRIO Example

```
import System.Random
```

```
main = do
```

```
    putStr . show <=<< randomRIO (0, 100 :: Int)    :: IO Int
```

```
    putStr ", "
```

```
    print <=<< randomRIO (0, 100 :: Int)           :: IO Int
```

```
    print <=<< (randomIO :: IO Float)              :: IO Float
```

```
randomRIO :: (a, a) -> IO a  
randomIO  ::          IO a
```

```
$ runhaskell random-numbers.hs
```

```
51, 15
```

```
0.2895795
```

<https://hackage.haskell.org/package/random-1.1/docs/System-Random.html>

IO Monad

```
newtype IO a = IO (State# RealWorld -> (# State# RealWorld, a #))
```

```
instance Monad IO where
```

```
  m >> k = m >>= \_ -> k
```

```
  return = returnIO
```

```
  (>>=) = bindIO
```

```
  fail s = failIO s
```

```
returnIO :: a -> IO a
```

```
returnIO x = IO $ \s -> (# s, x #)
```

```
bindIO :: IO a -> (a -> IO b) -> IO b
```

```
bindIO (IO m) k = IO $ \s -> case m s of (# new_s, a #) -> unIO (k a) new_s
```

```
unIO :: IO a -> (State# RealWorld -> (# State# RealWorld, a #))
```

```
unIO (IO a) = a
```

<http://blog.ezyang.com/2011/05/unraveling-the-mystery-of-the-io-monad/>

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```

```
  {-# INLINE return #-}
```

```
  {-# INLINE (>>) #-}
```

```
  {-# INLINE (>>=) #-}
```

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<http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.12.0.0/docs/src/GHC.Base.html#Monad>

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```
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```

```
bindIO :: IO a -> (a -> IO b) -> IO b
```

```
bindIO (IO m) k = IO $ \s ->
```

```
    case m s of
```

```
        (# s', a #) -> unIO (k a) s'
```

```
(IO m) >>= k
```

```
IO m :: IO a      m :: State# RealWorld -> (# State# RealWorld, a #)
```

```
k :: a -> IO b    k a :: IO b
```

```
s :: State# RealWorld
```

```
s' :: State# RealWorld
```

```
m s :: (# State# RealWorld, a #)
```

```
(# s', a #) :: (# State# RealWorld, a #)
```

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```

```
bindIO (IO m) k = IO $ \s ->
```

```
    case m s of
```

```
        (# s', a #) -> unIO (k a) s'
```

```
unIO :: IO a -> (State# RealWorld -> (# State# RealWorld, a #))
```

```
unIO (IO a) = a
```

```
k :: a -> IO b      k a :: IO b
```

```
unIO (k a) :: State# RealWorld -> (# State# RealWorld, a #)
```

```
    s' :: State# RealWorld
```

```
unIO (k a) s' :: (# State# RealWorld, a #)
```

```
\s -> unIO (k a) s' :: State# RealWorld -> (# State# RealWorld, a #)
```

```
IO $ \s -> unIO (k a) s' :: IO b
```

```
(IO m) >>= k
```

```
IO m :: IO a
```

```
k :: a -> IO b
```

```
k a :: IO b
```

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