

# Imperative Programming with The State Monad

class Monad  $m$  where

$\text{return} :: a \rightarrow m a$

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

## A Tree Datatype

A tree with data at the leaves

```

data Tree a
  = Leaf a
  | Node (Tree a) (Tree a)
  deriving (Eq, Show)

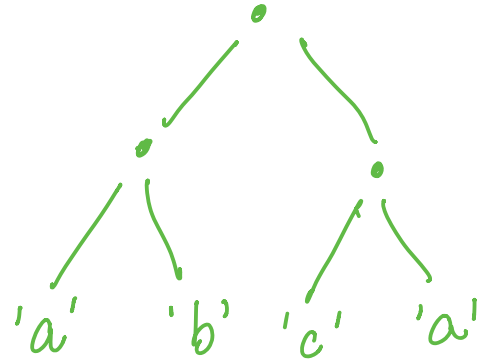
```

Here's an example Tree Char

```

charT :: Tree Char
charT = Node
  (Node
    (Leaf 'a')
    (Leaf 'b'))
  (Node
    (Leaf 'c')
    (Leaf 'a'))

```



## Lets Work it Out!

Write a function to add a *distinct* label to each leaf

```

label :: Tree a -> Tree (a, Int)
label = ???

```

```

label :: Tree a -> Tree (a, Int)
label t      = t'
  where
    (_, t') = (helper 0 t)
helper :: Int -> (Int, Tree (a, Int))
helper n (Leaf x)  = (n+1, Leaf (x, n))
helper n (Node l r) = (n'', Node l' r')
  where
    (n', l')      = helper n l
    (n'', r')     = helper n' r

```

*old count* ← *new count* ← *output tree*



## EXERCISE

Now, modify `label` so that you get new numbers for each letter so,

```

>>> keyLabel (Node (Node (Leaf 'a') (Leaf 'b')) (Node (Leaf 'c')
(Leaf 'a')))
(Node
  (Node (Leaf ('a', 0)) (Leaf ('b', 0)))
  (Node (Leaf ('c', 0)) (Leaf ('a', 1))))

```

That is, a *separate* counter for each *key* a , b , c etc.

**HINT** Use the following Map k v type

```
-- | The empty Map
```

```
empty :: Map k v
```

```
-- | 'insert key val m' returns a new map that extends 'm'
```

```
-- by setting `key` to `val`
```

```
insert :: k -> v -> Map k v -> Map k v
```

```
-- | 'findWithDefault def key m' returns the value of `key`
```

```
-- in `m` or `def` if `key` is not defined
```

```
findWithDefault :: v -> k -> Map k v -> v
```

## Common Pattern?

Both the functions have a common “shape”

```
helper :: OldInt -> (NewInt, NewTree)
```

```
keyhelp :: OldMap -> (NewMap, NewTree)
```

If we generally think of `Int` and `Map Char Int` as **global state** <sup>"global val"</sup>

OldState -> (NewState, NewVal)

"old-global" → ("new/upd global", Result)

## State Transformers

Lets capture the above "pattern" as a type

### 1. A State Type

```
type State = ... -- lets "fix" it to Int for now...
```

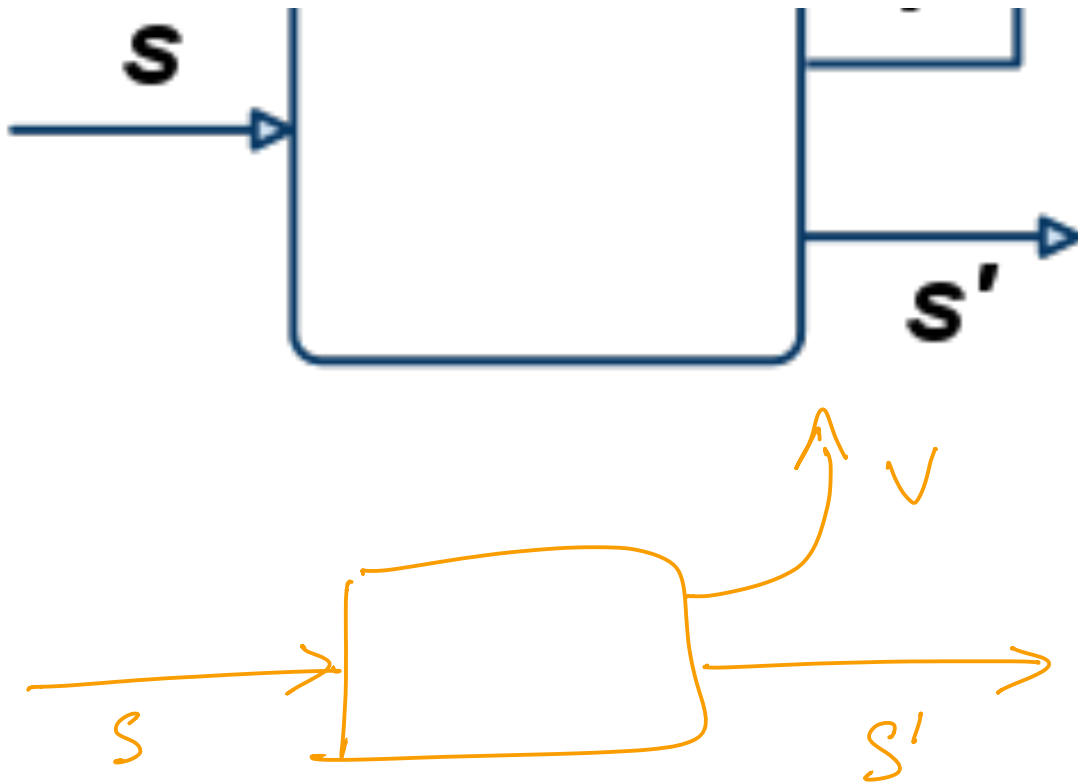
### 2. A State Transformer Type

```
data ST a = STC (State -> (State, a))
```

A *state transformer* is a function that

- takes as input an **old** `s :: State`
- returns as output a **new** `s' :: State` and **value** `v :: a`





## Executing Transformers

Lets write a function to evaluate an ST a

`evalState :: State -> ST a -> a`

`evalState = ???`

`evalState s (STC f) = snd (f s)`

$\uparrow$  State  $\uparrow$  State  $\rightarrow$  (State, a)  
 "key" "portal" "key" result

# QUIZ

What is the value of quiz ?

```
st :: ST [Int]
st = STC (\n -> (n+3, [n, n+1, n+2]))
```

```
quiz = evalState 100 st
```

~~A. 103~~

? B. [100, 101, 102]

C. ~~(103, [100, 101, 102])~~

? D. [0, 1, 2]

E. Type error

State  $\rightarrow$  ST [Int]  $\rightarrow$  [Int]

evalState :: State  $\rightarrow$  ST a  $\rightarrow$  a  
 evalState s (STC f) = snd (f s)  
 100 (\n  $\rightarrow$  ...)

*Lets Make State Transformer a Monad!*

**instance** Monad **ST** **where**

**return** :: **a** -> **ST a**  
**return** = **returnST**

**(>>=)** :: **ST a** -> (**a** -> **ST b**) -> **ST b**  
**(>>=)** = **bindST**

Monad **m**

**return** :: **a** -> **m a**

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

## EXERCISE: Implement *returnST*!

What is a valid implementation of `returnST`?

**type** State = Int

**data** ST a = STC (State -> (State, a))

`returnST` :: a -> ST a

`returnST` = ???

*returnST* v = STC ( \s -> (s, v) )  
                   ↑          ↑  
                   old      new



What is *returnST* doing?

`returnST v` is a *state transformer* that ... ???

(Can someone suggest an explanation in English?)

*HELP*

Now, lets implement `bindST`!

```
type State = Int
```

```
data ST a = STC (State -> (State, a))
```

```
bindST :: ST a -> (a -> ST b) -> ST b
```

```
bindST = ???
```

*What is **bindST** doing?*

bindST v is a *state transformer* that ... ???

(Can someone suggest an explanation in English?)

## *bindST lets us sequence state transformers*

$(\gg=) :: \text{ST0 } a \rightarrow (a \rightarrow \text{ST0 } b) \rightarrow \text{ST0 } b$

`sta >>= f = STC (\s ->`

`let (s', va) = runState sta s`

`stb = f va`

`(s'', vb) = runState stb s'`

`in`

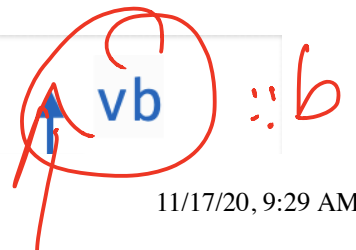
`(s'', vb)`

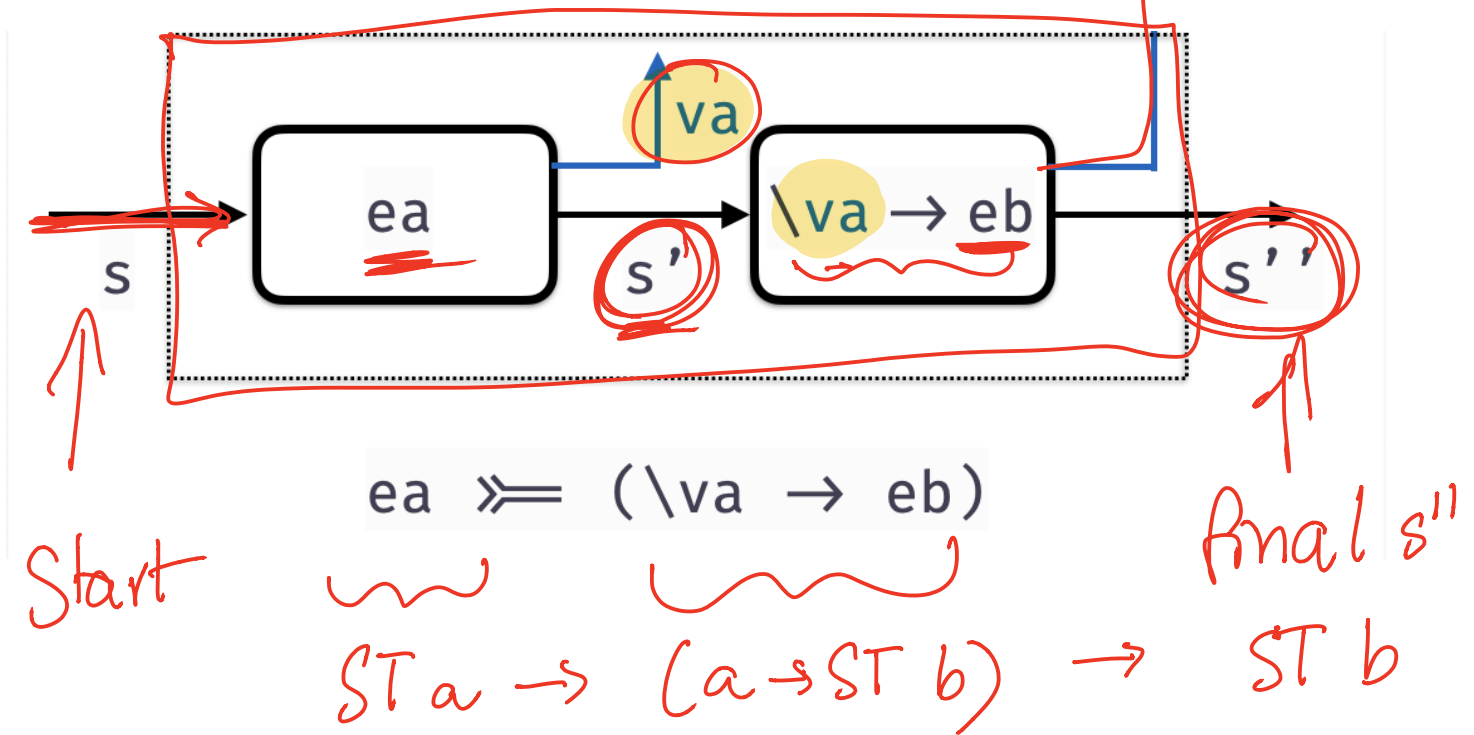
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`st >>= f`

1. Applies transformer `st` to an initial state `s`
  - to get output `s'` and value `va`
2. Then applies function `f` to the resulting value `va`
  - to get a *second* transformer
3. The *second* transformer is applied to `s'`
  - to get final `s''` and value `vb`

**OVERALL:** Transform `s` to `s''` and produce value `vb`





## Lets Implement a Global Counter

The (counter) State is an Int

```
type State = Int
```

A function that *increments* the counter to *return* the next Int .

```
next :: ST String
next = STC (\s -> (s+1, show s))
```

next is a *state transformer* that that returns String values

# QUIZ

Recall that

```
evalState :: State -> ST a -> a
evalState s (STC st) = snd (st s)
```

```
next :: ST String
next = STC (\s -> (s+1, show s))
```

STRING

What does quiz evaluate to?

```
quiz = evalState 100 next
```

- ✓ A. "100"
- B. "101"
- C. "0"
- D. "1"
- ~~E. (101, "100")~~

# QUIZ

Recall the definitions

```
evalState :: State -> ST a -> a
evalState s (STC st) = snd (st s)
```

```
next :: ST String
next = STC (\s -> (s+1, show s))
```

Now suppose we have

```
wtf1 = ST Int
```

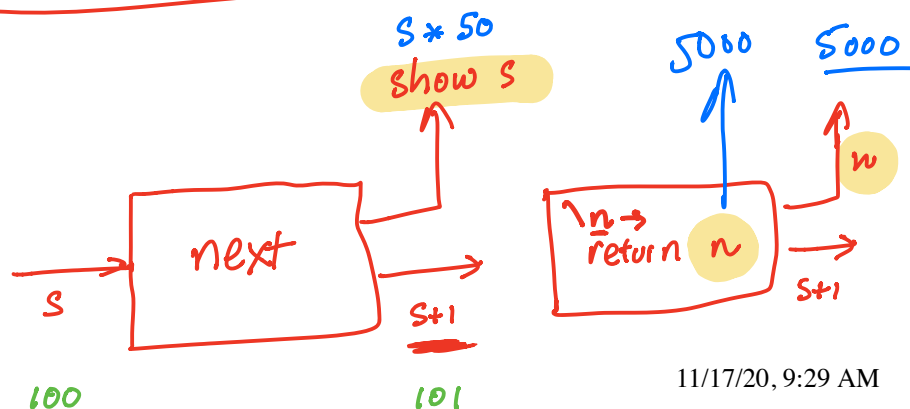
```
wtf1 = next >>= \n ->
  return n
```

$next \gg = (\backslash n \rightarrow return\ n)$

What does quiz evaluate to?

```
quiz = evalState 100 wtf1
```

A. 100



B. 101

C. 0

D. 1

E. ~~(101, 100)~~

## Example

```

next :: ST0 String
next = ST0C (\s → (s+1, show s))

wtf :: ST0 [String]
wtf = next ≫= (\v → return [v])

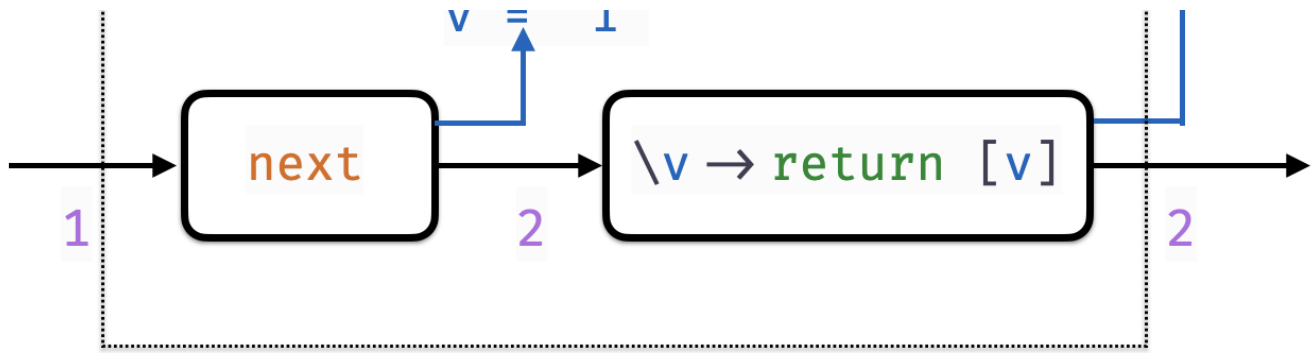
quiz = evalState wtf 1

```

["1"]



.. - "1"



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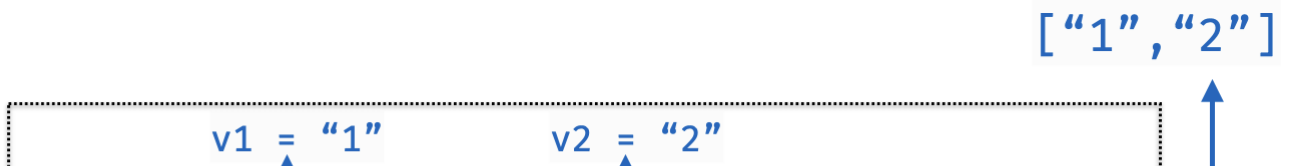
```

next :: ST0 String
next = ST0C (\s -> (s+1, show s))

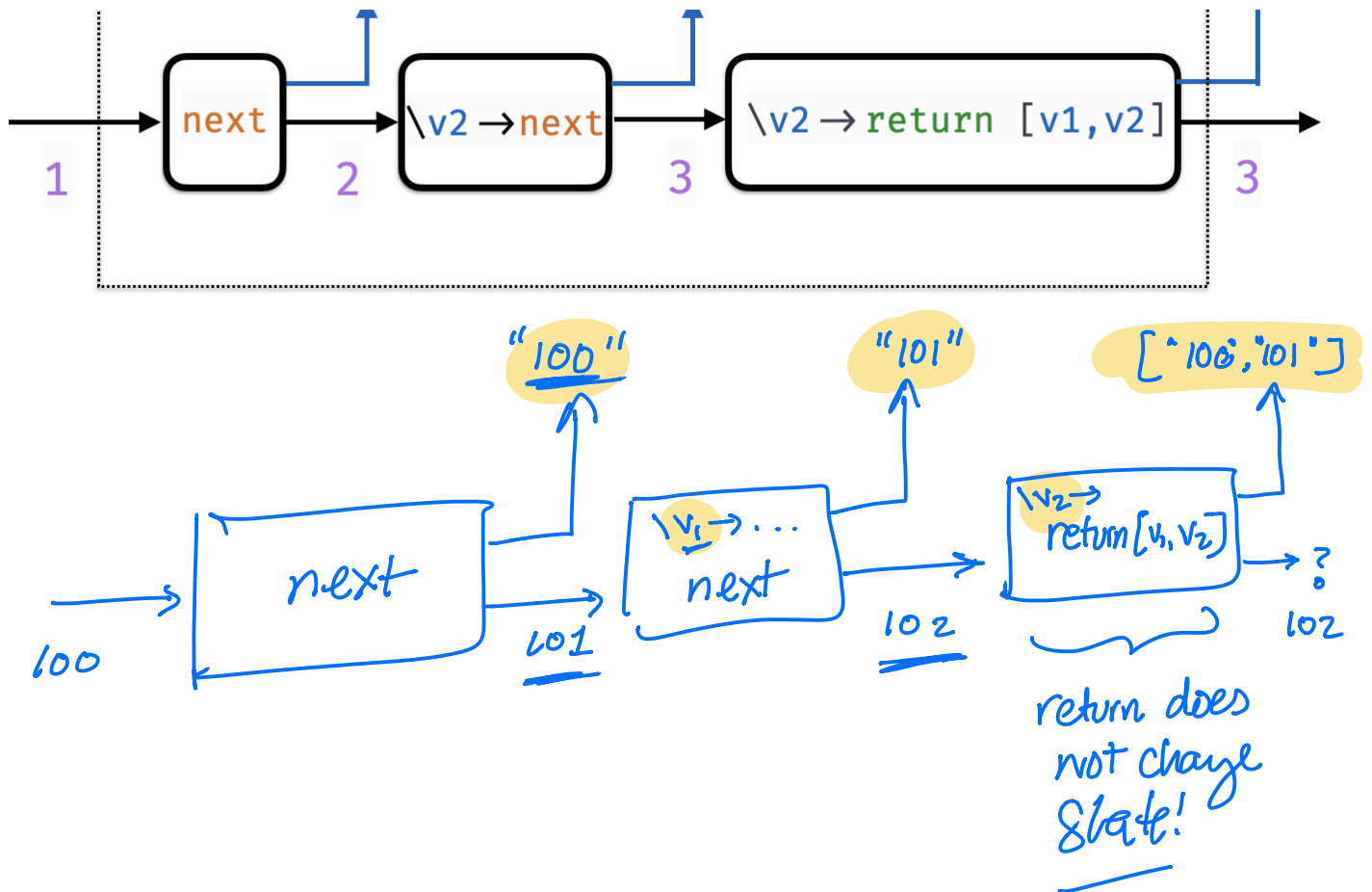
wtf :: ST0 [String]
wtf = next » (\v1 -> next » (\v2 -> return [v1, v2]))

quiz = evalState wtf 1

```







## QUIZ

Consider a function `wtf2` defined as

```
wtf2 = next >>= \n1 ->
  next >>= \n2 ->
    next >>= \n3 ->
      return [n1, n2, n3]
```

What does `quiz` evaluate to?

```
quiz = evalState 100 wtf
```

A. Type Error!