

Imperative Programming with The State Monad

A Tree Datatype

A tree with data at the leaves

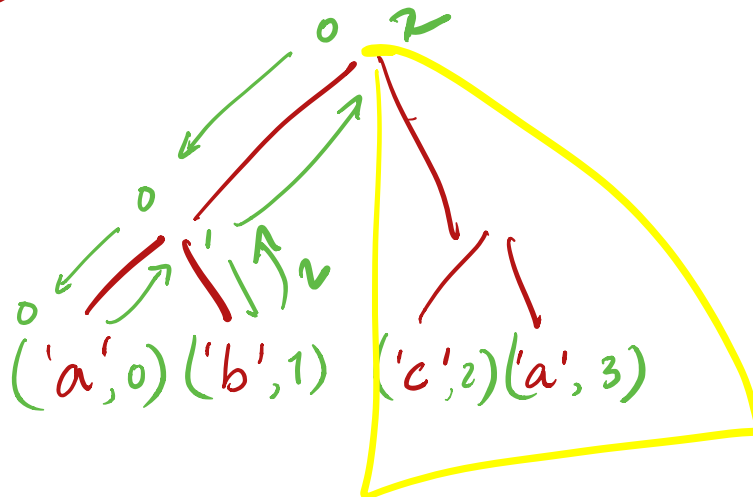
```
data Tree a
  = Leaf a
  | Node (Tree a) (Tree a)
  deriving (Eq, Show)
```

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 = ???
```

such that

```
>>> label charT
```

```
Node
```

```
(Node
```

```
  (Leaf ('a', 0))
```

```
  (Leaf ('b', 1)))
```

```
(Node
```

```
  (Leaf ('c', 2))
```

```
  (Leaf ('a', 3)))
```

Labeling a Tree

```
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
```

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
```

↑ key ↑ val

```
-- | '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
```

↑ key val ↑ map

```
-- | '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
```

↑ default ↑ key ↑ map

Common Pattern?

Both the functions have a common “shape”

Label
OldInt -> (NewInt, NewTree)

key-labeled
OldMap -> (NewMap, NewTree)

If we generally think of Int and Map Char Int as global state

OldState → (NewState, NewVal)
 ↑ ↑ ↘ out-val
 OLD NEW

State Transformers

Lets capture the above “pattern” as a type

1. A State Type

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

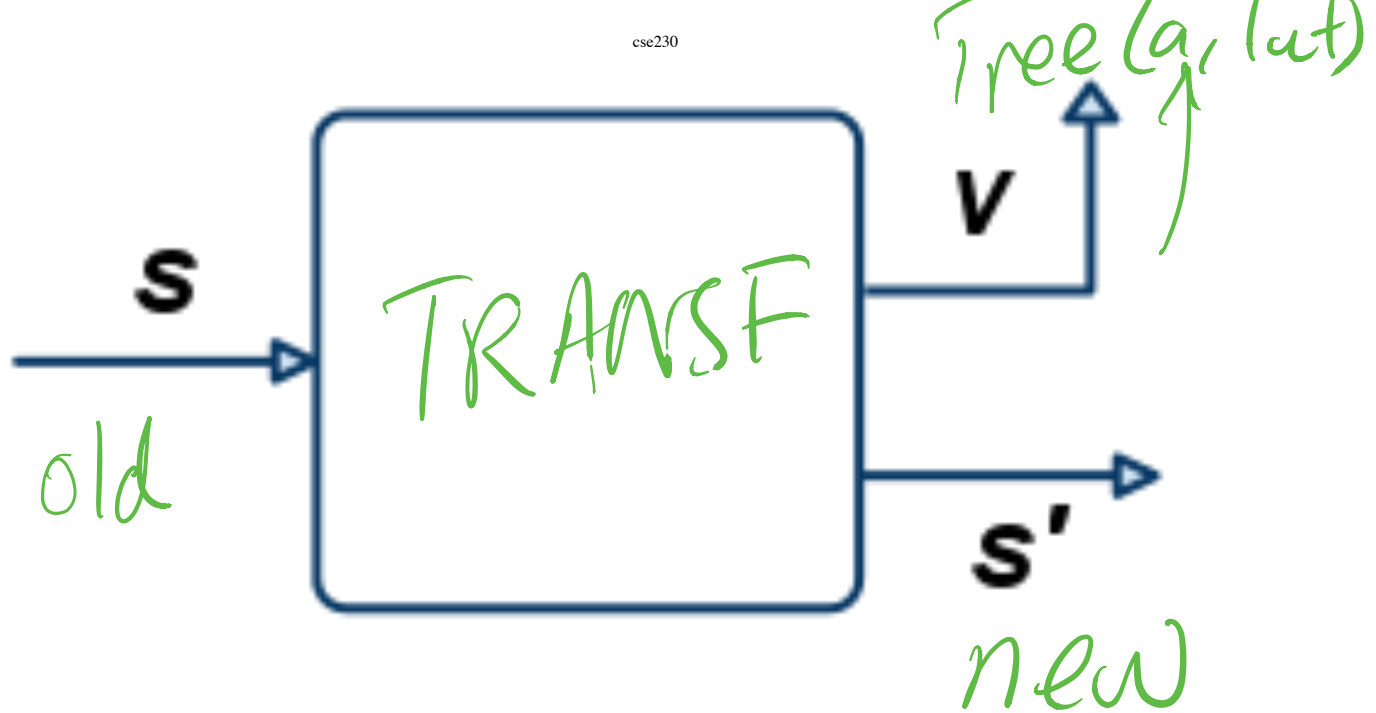
2. A State Transformer Type

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



A *state transformer* is a function that

- takes as input an **old** $s :: \text{State}$
- returns as output a **new** $s' :: \text{State}$ and **value** $v :: a$



Executing Transformers

Lets write a function to *evaluate* an ST a

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

QUIZ

What is the value of quiz ?

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

```
quiz = evalState100 st
```

A. 103

- B. [100, 101, 102]
- C. (103, [100, 101, 102])
- D. [0, 1, 2]
- E. Type error

Lets Make State Transformer a Monad!

instance Monad ST where

return :: a -> ST a

return = returnST

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

(>>=) = bindST

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 = ???
```

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 `returnST` doing?

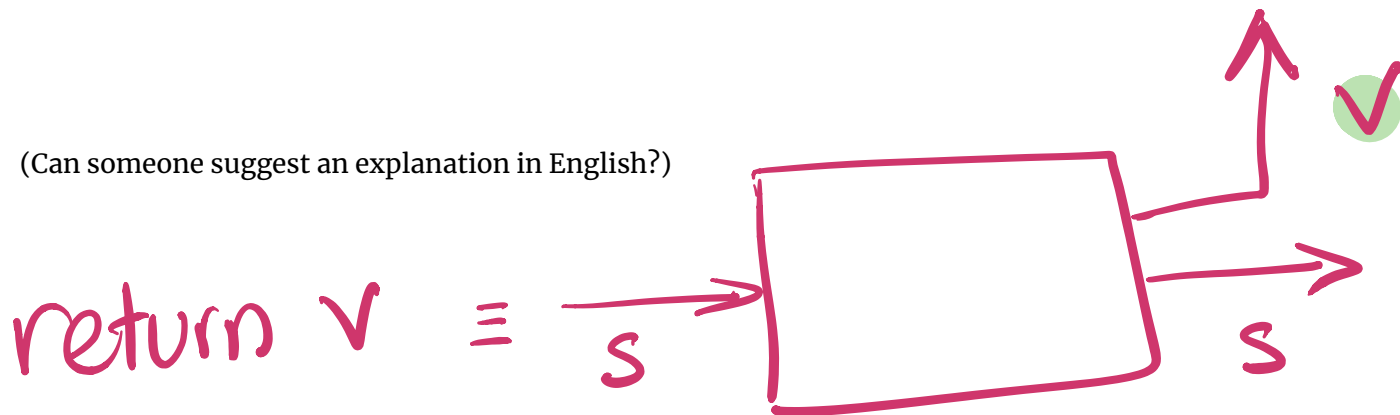
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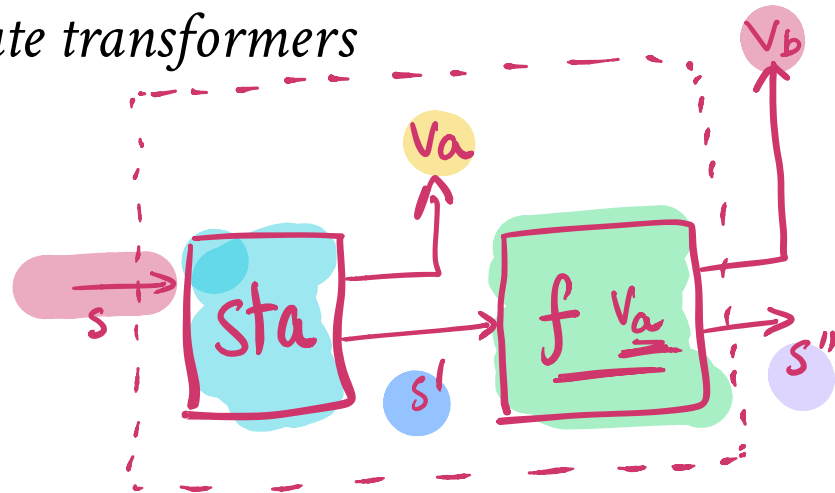
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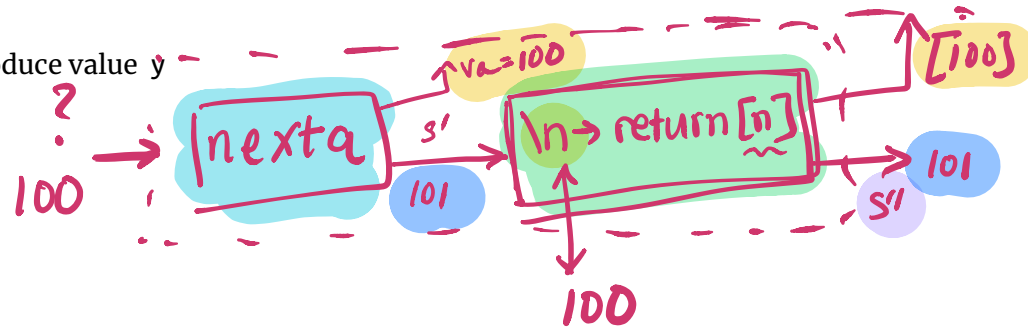
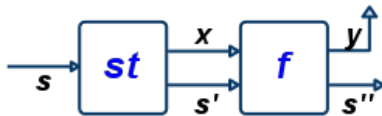
bindST lets us sequence state transformers

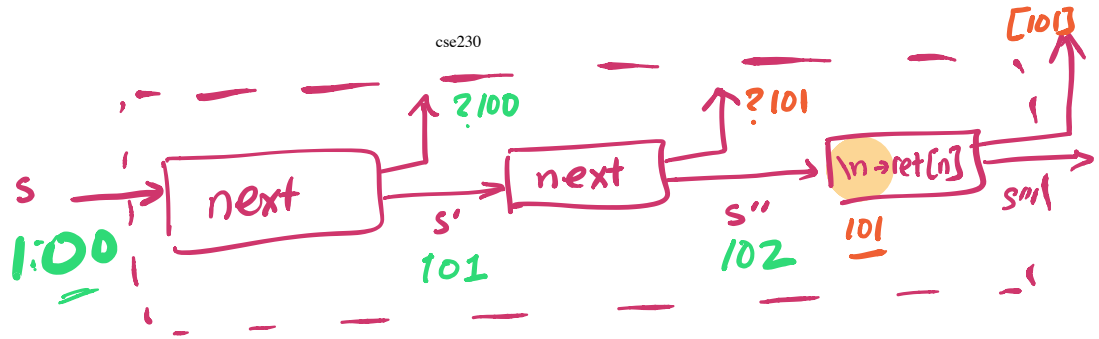
`st >>= f`

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



OVERALL: Transform `s` to `s''` and produce value `y`





Lets Implement a Global Counter

The (counter) State is an Int

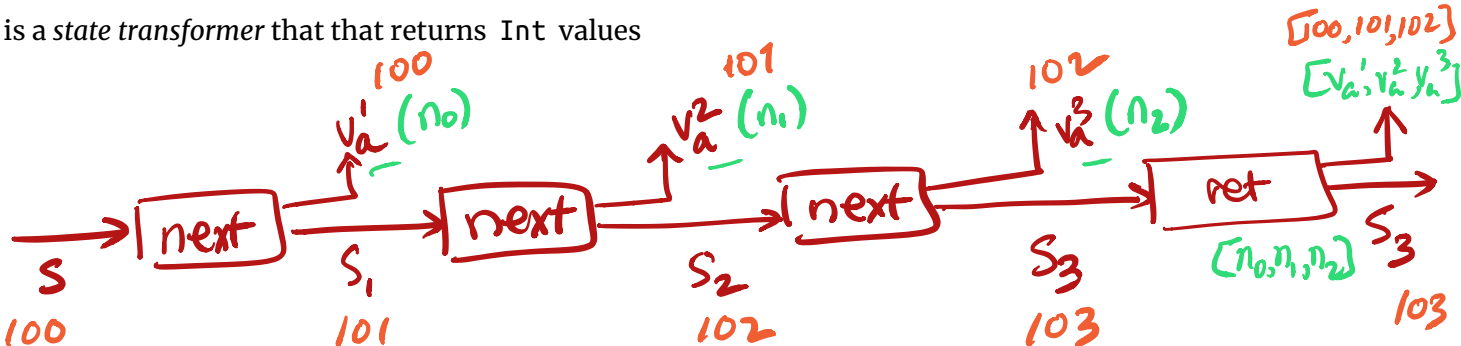
```
type State = Int
```

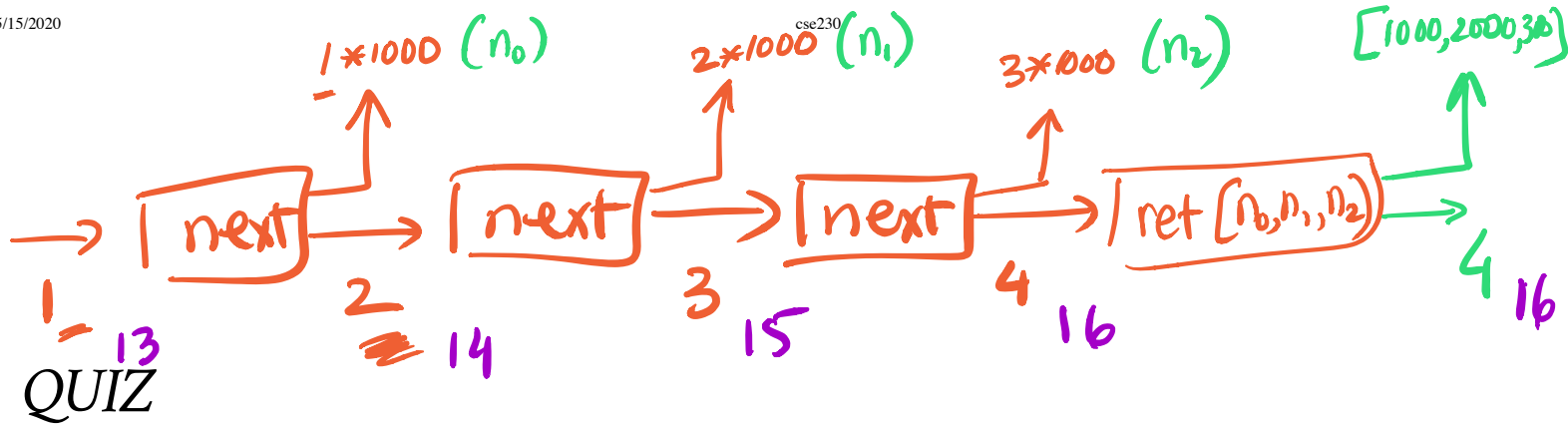
A function that *increments* the counter to *return* the next Int.

```
next :: ST Int
```

```
next = STC (\old -> let new = old + 1 in (new, old))
```

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





Recall that

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

```
next :: ST Int
next = STC (\n -> (n+1, n))
```

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 Int
next = STC (\n -> (n+1, n))
```

Now suppose we have

```
wtf1 = ST Int
wtf1 = next >=& \n ->
      return n
```

What does quiz evaluate to?

```
quiz = evalState 100 wtf1
```

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

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!
- B. [100, 100, 100]
- C. [0, 0, 0]
- D. [100, 101, 102]
- E. [102, 102, 102]

Chaining Transformers

`>>=` lets us *chain* transformers into *one* big transformer!

So we can define a function to *increment the counter by 3*

```
-- Increment the counter by 3
next3 :: ST [Int, Int]
next3 = next >>= \n1 ->
        next >>= \n2 ->
        next >>= \n3 ->
        return [n1,n2,n3]
```

And then sequence it *twice* to get

```
next6 :: ST [Int]
next6 = next3 >>= \ns_1_2_3 ->
    next3 >>= \ns_4_5_6 ->
        return (ns_123 ++ ns_4_5_6)
```

Lets **do** the above examples

Remember, **do** is just nice syntax for the above!

-- *Increment the counter by 3*

```
next3 :: ST [Int, Int]
next3 = do
    n1 <- next
    n2 <- next
    n3 <- next
    return [n1,n2,n3]
```

And then sequence it *twice* to get

```
next6 :: ST [Int]
next6 = do
  ns_123 <- next3
  ns_456 <- next3
  return (ns_123 ++ ns_4_5_6)
```

Labeling a Tree with a “Global Counter”

Lets **rewrite** our Tree labeler with ST

```
helperS :: Tree a -> ST (Tree (a, Int))
helperS = ???
```


Wow, compare to the old code!

```
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
```

Avoid worrying about propagating the “right” counters

- Automatically handled by ST monad instance!

Executing the Transformer

In the **old** code we *called* the helper with an *initial* counter 0

```
label :: Tree a -> Tree (a, Int)
label t      = t'
  where
    (_, t') = helper 0 t
```

In the **new** code what should we do?

```
helperS :: Tree a -> ST (Tree (a, Int))
helperS = ...
```

```
labelS :: Tree a -> Tree (a, Int)
labelS = ???
```

Now, we should be able to exec the labelS transformer

```
>>> labelS (Node (Node (Leaf 'a') (Leaf 'b')) (Leaf 'c'))
(Node (Node (Leaf ('a', 0)) (Leaf ('b', 1))) (Leaf ('c', 2)))
```

How to implement `keyLabel`?

So far, we *hardwired* an `Int` counter as our `State`

```
type State = Int
```

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

Have to *reimplement* the monad if we want a *different* state?

- e.g. `Map Char Int` to implement `keyLabel`

Don't Repeat Yourself!

A Generic State Transformer

Don't have *separate* types for `IntList` and `CharList`

- Define a generic list `[a]` where `a` is a *type parameter*
- Instantiate `a` to get `[Int]` and `[Char]`

Similarly, reuse `ST` with a **type** parameter!

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

- **State** is represented by type `s`
- **Return Value** is the type `a` (as before).

A Generic State Transformer Monad

Lets make the above a(n instance of) Monad

```
instance Monad (ST s) where  
  return x = STC (\s -> (s, x))  
  st >>= f = STC (\s -> let (s', x) = runState st s  
                        in runState (f x) s')
```

```
runState :: ST s a -> s -> (s, a)
```

```
runState (STC f) s = f s
```

```
evalState :: ST s a -> s -> a
```

```
evalState st s = snd (runState st s)
```

(*exactly* the same code as returnST and bindST)

Lets implement keyLabel

1. Define a Map Char Int state-transformer

```
type CharST a = ST (Map Char Int) a
```

2. Modify next to take a Char

```
charNext :: Char -> CharST Int
```

```
charNext c = STC (\m ->
```

```
  let
```

```
    n = M.findWithDefault 0 c m    -- label for 'c'
```

```
    m' = M.insert c (n+1) m       -- update map
```

```
  in
```

```
    (m', n)
```

```
)
```

3. Modify helper to use charNext

```
keyHelperS :: Tree Char -> ST (Tree (Char, Int))
```

```
keyHelperS (Leaf c) = do
```

```
  n <- charNext c
```

```
  return (Leaf (c, n))
```

```
keyHelperS (Node l r) = do
```

```
  l' <- keyHelperS l
```

```
  r' <- keyHelperS r
```

```
  return (Tree l' r')
```

```
keyLabelS :: Tree Char -> Tree (Char, Int)
```

```
keyLabelS t = evalState (keyHelperS t) empty
```

Lets make sure it works!

```
>>> keyLabelS charT
```

```
Node
```

```
  (Node (Leaf ('a', 0)) (Leaf ('b', 0)))
```

```
  (Node (Leaf ('c', 0)) (Leaf ('a', 1)))
```


Lets look at the final “state”

```
>>> (final, t) = runState (keyHelper charT) M.empty
```

The returned Tree is

```
>>> t
```

Node

```
(Node (Leaf ('a', 0)) (Leaf ('b', 0)))
```

```
(Node (Leaf ('c', 0)) (Leaf ('a', 1)))
```

and the final State is

```
>>> final
```

```
fromList [('a',2),('b',1),('c',1)]
```

Generically Getting and Setting State

As *State* is “generic”

- i.e. a **type variable** not `Int` or `Map Char Int` or ...

It will be convenient to have “generic” `get` and `put` functions

- that *read* and *update* the state

```
-- | `get` leaves state unchanged & returns it as value  
get :: ST s s
```

```
-- | `set s` changes the state to `s` & returns () as a value  
put :: s -> ST s ()
```

EXERCISE

Can you fill in the implementations of `get` and `set` ?

HINT Just follow the types...

-- | *`get` leaves state unchanged & returns it as value*

```
get :: ST s s
```

```
get = STC (\oldState -> ???)
```

-- | *`put s` changes the state to `s` & returns () as a value*

```
put :: s -> ST s ()
```

```
put s = STC (\oldState -> ???)
```

Using *get* and *put* : Global Counter

We can now implement the plain *global counter* next as

```
next :: ST Int Int
next = do
  n <- get      -- save the current counter as 'n'
  put (n+1)     -- update the counter to 'n+1'
  return n     -- return the old counter
```

Using *get* and *put* : Frequency Map

Lets implement the *char-frequency counter* `charNext` as

```
charNext :: Char -> ST (Map Char Int) Int
charNext c = do
  m <- get      -- get current freq-map
  let n = M.findWithDefault 0 c m -- current freq for c (or 0)
  put (M.insert c (n+1) m)      -- update freq for c
  return n                    -- return current as value
```

A State-Transformer Library

The `Control.Monad.State` module (<http://hackage.haskell.org/packages/archive/mtl/latest/doc/html/Control-Monad-State-Lazy.html#g:2>)

- defines a State-Transformer like above.
- hides the implementation of the transformer

Clients can **only** use the “public” API

-- | Like 'ST s a' but "private", cannot be directly accessed

data State s a

-- | Like the synonyms described above

get :: State s s

put :: s -> State s ()

runState :: State s a -> s -> (a, s)

evalState :: State s a -> s -> a

Your homework will give you practice with using these

- to do *imperative functional programming*

The IO Monad

Remember the `IO a` or `Recipe a` type from this lecture ([04-haskell-io.html](#))

- Recipes that return a result of type `a`
- But may also perform some input/output

A number of primitives are provided for building `IO` recipes

```
-- IO is a monad
return  :: a -> IO a
(>>=)  :: IO a -> (a -> IO b) -> IO b
```

Basic actions that can be “chained” via `>>=` etc.

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


A Recipe to Read a Line from the Keyboard

```
getLine :: IO String
getLine = do
  x <- getChar
  if x == '\n' then
    return []
  else do
    xs <- getLine
    return (x:xs)
```

IO is a “special case” of the State-Transformer

The internal state is a representation of the **state of the world**

data World -- *machine, files, network, internet ...*

type IO a = World -> (World, a)

A Recipe is a function that

- takes the current World as its argument
- returns a value a and a modified World

The modified World reflects any input/output done by the Recipe

This is just for understanding, GHC implements IO more efficiently!

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