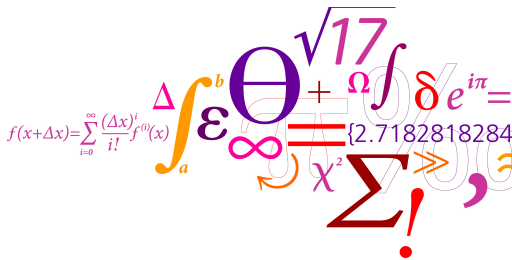


02157 Functional Programming

Lecture 3: Programming as a model-based activity

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- Syntax, semantics and pragmatics (briefly)
 - Overview of F#
 - Semantics of a function declaration
- Programming as a modelling activity
 - Type declarations (type abbreviations)
 - Cash register
 - Map colouring
- Program properties and property-based testing

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<https://fsharp.org/specs/language-spec/>

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- type and function names are descriptive
- types start with a capital letter
- variables names are short and consistently used
- function types are stated in comments
- a program is composed by small, well-understood pieces
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Note: `failwith` is a built-in function that raises an exception

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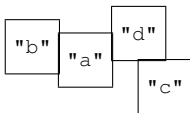
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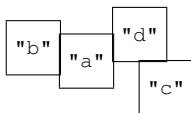
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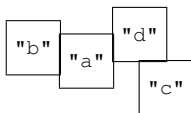


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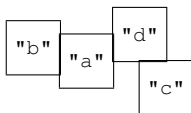
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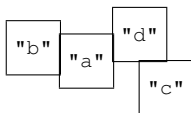
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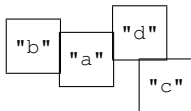
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Figure: A Data model for map coloring problem



Insert repeatedly countries in a coloring.

	country	old coloring	new coloring
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Figure: Algorithmic idea

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Program properties and property-based testing

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Function f preserves invariant p :

- if argument a satisfies property p , i.e. $p(a)$ holds,
then the result $f(a)$ satisfies p as well, i.e. $p(f(a))$ holds

Property-based testing

QuickCheck: A Lightweight Tool for Random Testing of Haskell Programs, Claessen and Hughes, 2000

- Random generation of values of arbitrary types
- Properties are expressed as Boolean-valued functions

```
let rec sort xs = .....  
let rec ordered xs = ...  
  
// Test that: for all lists xs: ordered(sort xs)  
let sortProp (xs: int list) = ordered(sort xs)  
  
let _ = Check.Quick sortProp  
Ok, passed 100 tests.
```

The tool has been ported to many languages. We look at **FsCheck** for the .Net platform. Consult

- <https://fscheck.github.io/FsCheck/> and
- **TipsTricksPrograms**

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Falsifiable, after 2 tests (2 shrinks) (StdGen ..... :
Original:
[-2; -1]
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- uses built-in generators for lists
- tool provides a **short counterexample**

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- can be configured

Test cases are exposed using `Check.Verbose` as follows:

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```

```
0:
```

```
[-2]
```

```
.....
```

```
99:
```

```
[-1; 0; -1; -1; 2; 1; -1; 0; 0; 5; -1; 1; -1; 0; 0; -1; 2;  
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Property-based testing supports testing at a high level of abstraction

- Focus is on fundamental properties – not on concrete test cases
- You write programs for properties – not concrete test cases
- Properties are tested automatically
- Short counterexamples are found — when properties are falsified

The examples given here are just appetizers.

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You do not need to understand the generator. Just use it, like in:

```
let mulXwrong p = 0::p
let mulXinvWrong (p:Poly) = isLegal(mulXwrong p);;

let testMulXInvWrong = Check.Quick mulXinvWrong;;
>Falsifiable, after 6 tests (0 shrinks) (StdGen (261...
Original:[]
```