

# The End of the Beginning

# What Have We Learned?

- Programming
  - For some of you: first time
  - Make the computer do some useful tasks
- Programming *Language*
  - Haskell
  - Different from what most of you had seen before
- Programming *Principles*
  - ...

# Programming Principles (I)

- Modelling
  - Create a new **type** that models what you are dealing with
  - Design and define **typed functions** around your types
  - Sometimes your type has an extra **invariant**
  - Invariants should be **documented** (for example as a property)

# Programming Principles (II)

- Properties
  - When you define **functions** around your types...
  - Think about and define **properties** of these functions
  - Properties can be **tested** automatically to find mistakes
  - Mistakes can be in your functions (program) or in your properties (understanding)

# Programming Principles (III)

- Breaking up problems into simpler parts, recursion
  - When you need to solve a **large, complicated problem...**
  - Continue breaking up until the parts are simple, or until you can use an existing solution
  - The parts can be solved **recursively**
  - Solve the whole problem by **combining** the solutions of all parts

# Programming Principles (IV)

- Abstraction and Generalization
  - When you find yourself **repeating** a programming task
  - Take a step back and see if you can **generalize**
  - You can often define an **abstraction** (higher-order function) performing the old task *and* the new one
  - Avoid **copy-and-paste programming**

# Programming Principles

- Important!
- Independent of *programming language*

# Report from the front

“Läste kursen 2010 när jag började på D och lärde mig mycket, fast jag tyckte att jag kunde programmera innan. Fick 2012 jobb på Ericsson och programmerade då i Python, och använde då dagligen tekniker som jag lärde mig i kursen, framförallt då rekursion, operationer på listor och delar av det funktionella programmerings sättet som var nytt för mig 2010.”



# Report from the front

“En vanlig fråga/missuppfattning som jag minns från början av Chalmers är just 'varför Haskell? Ingen använder det på riktigt i industrin', och det kan vara värt att påminna en extra gång om att man lär sig metoder och tankesätt som är användbara oavsett vilket språk man sedan kodar i.”

# Why Haskell?

- What is easy in Haskell:
  - Defining types
  - Properties and testing
  - Recursion
  - Abstraction, higher-order functions
  - Pure functions
  - Separation (laziness)

# Why Haskell (II)?

- What is harder in Haskell:
  - Ignoring types
    - Static strong typing
    - Expressive type system
      - Most advanced type system in a real-world language
  - Impure functions
    - All functions are pure
      - Unique among real-world languages
    - Instructions are created and composed explicitly
      - Makes it clear where the "impure stuff" happens

# Coming Programming Courses

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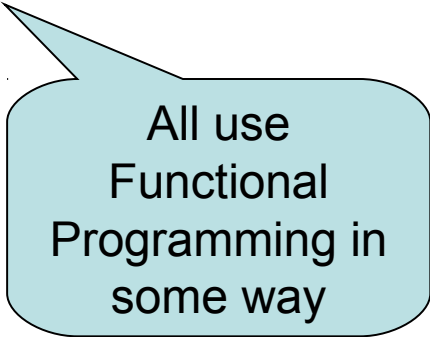
- Grundläggande datorteknik
    - Assembler
  - Objektorienterad programming
    - Java
  - Inbyggda system
    - C
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- Data structures
    - Java
    - Haskell

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- Two programming courses
    - Both in Java
  - Datastructures
    - Java
    - Haskell
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# Future Programming Courses

- Concurrent Programming
- Compiler Construction
- Advanced Functional Programming
- Parallel Functional Programming
- Software Engineering using Formal Methods
- Language Technology
- (Programming Paradigms)
- ...



All use  
Functional  
Programming in  
some way

# Exam: 31 October 14:00

Kurskod	Kursnamn	Tentamensdatum	Börjar	Plats	Antal timmar	Första dag för anmälan	Sista dag för anmälan
TDA555	Introduktion till funktionell programmering Kursmoment: 0204	31 okt 2018	14:00	Lindholmen-salar			
TDA555	Introduktion till funktionell programmering Kursmoment: 0204	07 jan 2019	14:00	Johanneberg	4	21 aug 2018	13 dec 2018
TDA555	Introduktion till funktionell programmering Kursmoment: 0204	20 aug 2019	08:30	Johanneberg	4	15 jan 2019	31 jul 2019

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# What if...

## You are not done with the labs in time?

- Next year: this course runs again
- complete the missing labs according to the deadlines and rules given

## You do not pass the exam?

- January: re-exam
- August: re-exam

# EXAM

## Introduction to Functional Programming

### TDA555/DIT440

DAY: 2016-10-29

TIME: 14:00–18:00

PLACE: M-salar

**Responsible:** David Sands, D&IT, Tel: 0737 20 76 63

**Aids:** An English (or English-Swedish, or English-X) dictionary

**Grade:** Completing Part I gives a 3 or a G;  
Part I and Part II are both needed for a 4, 5, or VG

#### This exam consists of two parts:

##### **Part I** (5 small assignments)

- Give good enough answers for 4 assignments here and you will get a 3 or a G
- (Points on Part II can be counted towards Part I if needed, but this is very unlikely to happen in practice.)

##### **Part II** (2 larger assignments)

- You do not need to solve this part if you are happy with a 3 or a G!
- Do Part I and one assignment of your choice here and you will get a 4
- Do Part I and both assignments here and you will get a 5 or a VG



**Please read the following guidelines carefully:**

- Answers can be given in Swedish or English
- Begin each assignment on a new sheet
- Write your number on each sheet
- Write clearly; unreadable = wrong!
- You can make use of the standard Haskell functions and types given in the attached list (you have to implement other functions yourself if you want to use them)
- You do **not** have to import standard modules in your solutions

**Good Luck!**

# What you should know to pass

In general

- Do not expect to pass by learning old exam questions!
- Do **not** assume that old exam questions will come up again this year.
- show that you **understand** by writing more-or-less correct Haskell code for some small problems

# Basic Programming Techniques

- Definition by recursion (lists and numbers)
- Definition using list comprehensions
  - Write simple functions
  - Understand definitions
  - Rewrite definitions written in one style using another

example: af function in 2016 exam

# Combining functions

- Give definitions which combine the use of other standard functions

example: urls function in 2016

# Simple higher-order functions

Understand and use simple higher-order functions

for example: map, filter, takeWhile, dropWhile, zipWith, all, any

Define a simple higher-order function e.g. to simplify cut-and-paste code.

# Predicates

Writing functions that return something of type Bool

Show that you understand and can formulate properties of functions (e.g. quickCheck properties)

e.g. prop\_Lookup from 2016 exam

# Simple Data types

- Define simple data types to model a problem domain (both with and without recursion)
- Define functions using given recursive or non-recursive data type

Examples:

- prop\_lookup (exam 2016) uses the Maybe type
- Defining a data type for expressions (2016)

# “Instructions”

Defining simple functions using IO or Gen

- small definitions using do-notation
- understand/simplify definitions that use do notation



To pass (2017 onwards)

Correct answers to 5 of 7 simple questions

# How did it go this year?

New things: lab 3 spread over three weeks

Too slow?

New lab 4 (A + B)

Too hard/easy?

Course communication via Slack

Good for us! Good for you?

# Official Course Survey

- Sent by email Monday after the exam
- What is the point?
- We are open to suggestions for questions that we should put on the survey.