

*COMP3258*

# Functional Programming

Tutorial Session 1: Introduction to Haskell Development

# About Me

- I am a tutor of FP 2023.
- I was a tutor of FP 2022.
  - My responsibility is to **help** you understand FP (Haskell) better.
  - My job will cover **design and grade** of assignments, but **blind** to exams.
- I am a Haskell enthusiast, and happy to answer **any** related questions.
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# How to reach (I)

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**Blue font** is *last name*.

# How to reach (II)

- Please send your inquiries to the instructor's or tutor's email box with the subject beginning with *COMP3258*.
- You are encouraged to post questions on the discussion forum.
- If you want to meet outside office hours, please send us an email to arrange a meeting.
- Emails are guaranteed to reply within 3 working days.


# About Tutorial

- It's optional but encouraged to attend.
- The structure of the session is
  - Review (20 mins)
  - Code Practice (30 mins)

# Haskell ([haskell.org](http://haskell.org))

- GHC, GHCi and GHCup
- Hoogle
- Cabal, Stack

# > ghcup tui



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "ghcup (ghcup)" with a table of tools. The table has columns for Tool, Version, Tags, and Notes. The tools listed are GHCup, Stack, HLS, and cabal. The current tool is highlighted in blue.

Tool	Version	Tags	Notes
✓✓	GHCup 0.1.19.4	latest, recommended	
✗		latest	
✗	Stack 2.9.3	recommended	
✗	Stack 2.9.1		
✓✓	Stack 2.7.5		
✓	HLS 2.2.0.0	latest, recommended	
✓✓	HLS 2.1.0.0		
✗	HLS 2.0.0.1		
✓	HLS 2.0.0.0		
✗	HLS 1.10.0.0		
✗	HLS 1.9.1.0		
✓	HLS 1.8.0.0		
✓	HLS 1.7.0.0		
✗		latest	
✗	cabal 3.8.1.0		
✓✓	cabal 3.6.2.0	recommended	
✓✓	GHC 9.6.2	latest, base-4.18.0.0	hls-powered

q:Quit i:Install u:Uninstall s:Set c:ChangeLog a:Show all versions t:Show all tools ↑:Up ↓:Down

# hoogle.haskell.org



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beautiful concurr...

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## Hoogle

set:stackage

Search

### Packages

- is:exact
- base
- hedghog
- ghc
- base-compat
- protolude
- relude
- rio
- base-prelude
- classy-prelude
- basic-prelude
- universum
- Cabal-syntax
- github
- ghc-lib-parser
- prelude-compat
- rebase
- opaleye
- xmonad-contrib
- stack
- incipit-base
- LambdaHack
- cabal-install-solver
- dimensional
- mixed-types-num
- linear-base
- base-unicode-symbol

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**subtract :: Num a => a -> a -> a**

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the same as flip (-). Because - is treated specially in the Haskell grammar, (- e) is not a section, but an application of prefix negation. However, (subtract exp) is equivalent to the disallowed section.

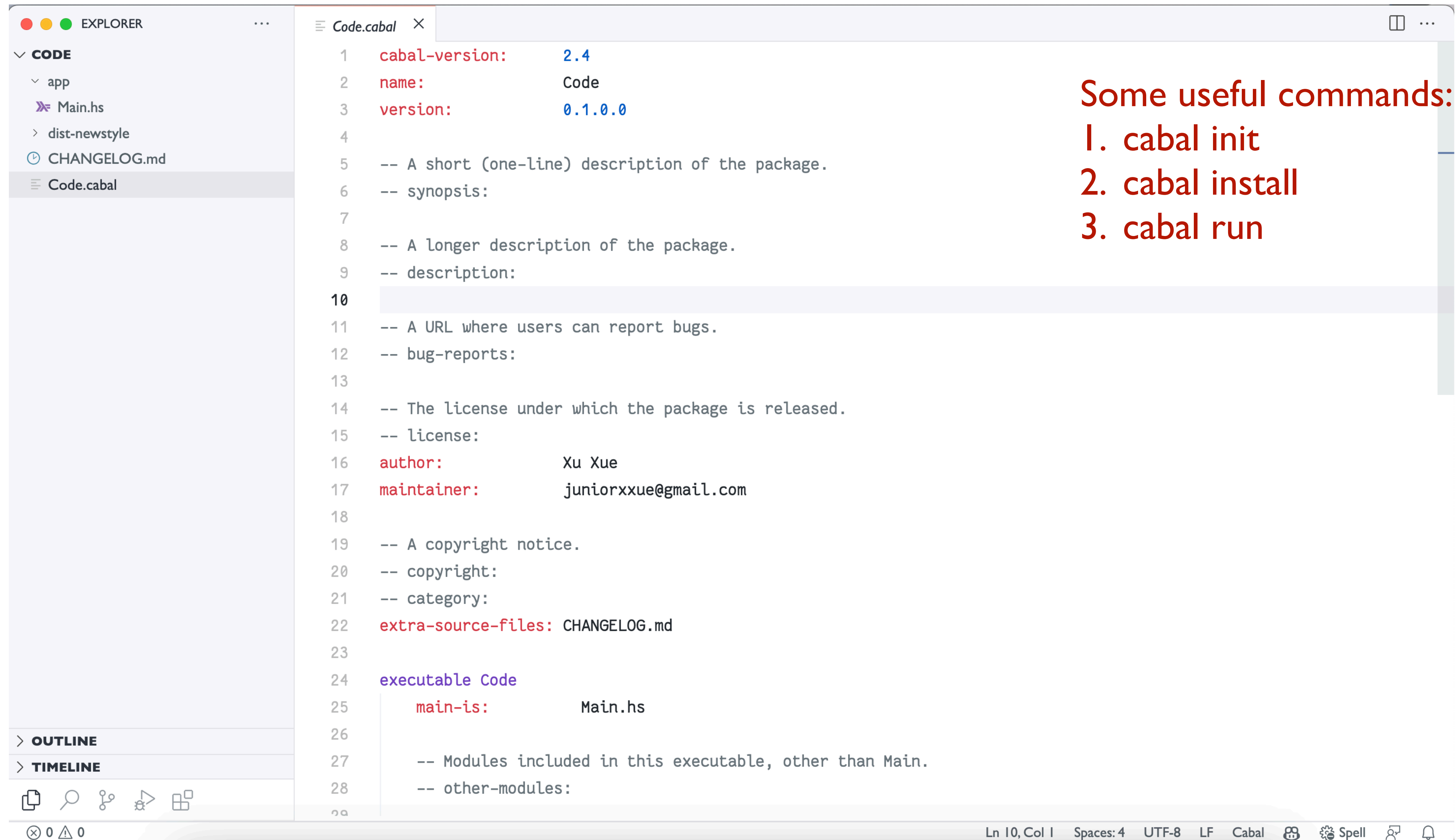
**(-) :: Num a => a -> a -> a**

base-unicode-symbols Prelude.Unicode

a - b = a - b U+2212, MINUS SIGN



# Cabal



The image shows a screenshot of the Visual Studio Code editor. The left sidebar displays the Explorer view with a project structure including 'CODE', 'app', 'Main.hs', 'dist-newstyle', 'CHANGELOG.md', and 'Code.cabal'. The main editor window shows the content of 'Code.cabal' with line numbers 1 through 29. The file content includes fields for cabal-version (2.4), name (Code), version (0.1.0.0), synopsis, description, URL for bug reports, license, author (Xu Xue), maintainer (juniorxxue@gmail.com), extra-source-files (CHANGELOG.md), and an executable named 'Code' with a main-is field pointing to 'Main.hs'. To the right of the editor, a list of useful commands is provided in red text.

```
1 cabal-version: 2.4
2 name: Code
3 version: 0.1.0.0
4
5 -- A short (one-line) description of the package.
6 -- synopsis:
7
8 -- A longer description of the package.
9 -- description:
10
11 -- A URL where users can report bugs.
12 -- bug-reports:
13
14 -- The license under which the package is released.
15 -- license:
16 author: Xu Xue
17 maintainer: juniorxxue@gmail.com
18
19 -- A copyright notice.
20 -- copyright:
21 -- category:
22 extra-source-files: CHANGELOG.md
23
24 executable Code
25     main-is: Main.hs
26
27     -- Modules included in this executable, other than Main.
28     -- other-modules:
```

Some useful commands:

1. cabal init
2. cabal install
3. cabal run

Ln 10, Col 1 Spaces: 4 UTF-8 LF Cabal Spell

# Editor

- VSCode (Haskell Plugin)
  - Follow the instructions to install the HLS
- Emacs/Vim/Sublime... (with LSP)
  - Not recommended



**Haskell** v2.2.2

Haskell

Haskell language support powered by the Haskell Language Server

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This extension is enabled globally.

# Editor Feat. I: Type Check

```
94 bar :: Bool
```

```
95 bar = 1
```

```
96
```

```
_ :: Bool
```

- No instance for 'Num Bool' arising from the literal '1'
- In the expression: 1  
In an equation for 'bar': bar = 1 typecheck(-Wdeferred-type-errors)

[View Problem \(\F8\)](#) [Quick Fix... \(⌘.\)](#)

# Editor Feat. 2: Type Inference

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```
f :: Integer -> Integer -> Integer
```

94

```
f = \x y -> x + y
```

95

96

However, In this course, you are encouraged to write the type first.

# Editor Feat. 3: Code Format

```
f :: Integer -> Integer -> Integer
94 f = \x y -> x + y
95
96
```

Redundant lambda

Found:

```
f = \ x y -> x + y
```

Why not:

```
f x y = x + y
```

```
hlint(refact:Redundant lambda)
```

Learn from the hint.

# Editor Feat.4: Quick Evaluation

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Evaluate...

94

```
-- >>> 1 + 2
```



93

Refresh...

94

```
-- >>> 1 + 2
```

95

```
-- 3
```

---

# Editor Feat.5: Docs + Type Instantiation

```
sum123 :: Int
sum123 = foldr (+) 0 [1,2,3]
```

`foldr` :: forall (t :: Type -> Type) a b.  
Foldable t =>  
(a -> b -> b) -> b -> t a -> b

Defined in 'Data.Foldable' (base-4.18.0.0)

Right-associative fold of a structure, lazy in the accumulator.

In the case of lists, `foldr`, when applied to a binary operator, a starting value (typically the right-identity of the operator), and a list, reduces the list using the binary operator, from right to left:

$$\text{foldr } f \ z \ [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] = x_1 \ \backslash f \ \backslash \ (x_2 \ \backslash f \ \backslash \ \dots \ (x_n \ \backslash f \ \backslash \ z) \dots)$$

Note that since the head of the resulting expression is produced by an application of the operator to the first element of the list,

```
sum123 :: Int
sum123 = foldr (+) 0 [1,2,3]
```

[1,4,7,10,13]

[Documentation](#)

[Source](#)

```
_ :: (Int -> Int -> Int) -> Int -> [Int] -> Int
_ :: forall a b. (a -> b -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
_ :: forall (t :: Type -> Type) a b.
Foldable t =>
(a -> b -> b) -> b -> t a -> b
```

!foldr! Unknown word Spell

# Dive into Haskell

- by REPL
- by Script



# GHCi (The REPL)

```
ghci> 2 + 3 * 4
```

```
14
```

```
ghci> (2 + 3) * 4
```

```
20
```

```
ghci> sqrt (3^2 + 4^2)
```

```
5.0
```

```
ghci> 1 == 2
```

```
False
```

# Some Useful Functions

```
ghci> :t head
```

```
head :: GHC.Stack.Types.HasCallStack => [a] -> a
```

```
ghci> head [1,2,3,4]
```

```
1
```

```
ghci> :t tail
```

```
tail :: GHC.Stack.Types.HasCallStack => [a] -> [a]
```

```
ghci> tail [1,2,3,4]
```

```
[2,3,4]
```

```
ghci> :t (!!) which is called "indexing"
```

```
(!!) :: GHC.Stack.Types.HasCallStack => [a] -> Int -> a
```

```
ghci> [1,2,3,4] !! 2
```

```
3
```

```
ghci> :t take
```

```
take :: Int -> [a] -> [a]
```

```
ghci> take 3 [1,2,3,4]
```

```
[1,2,3]
```

```
ghci> :t drop
```

```
drop :: Int -> [a] -> [a]
```

```
ghci> drop 3 [1,2,3,4]
```

```
[4]
```

```
ghci> :t reverse
```

```
reverse :: [a] -> [a]
```

```
ghci> reverse [1,2,3,4]
```

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

```
ghci> :t length
```

```
length :: Foldable t => t a -> Int
```

```
ghci> length [1,2,3,4]
```

```
4
```

```
ghci> :t (++) which is called "concatenation"
```

```
(++) :: [a] -> [a] -> [a]
```

```
ghci> [1, 2, 3] ++ [4, 5]
```

```
[1,2,3,4,5]
```

# GHCi: Script

1. Create `Test.hs`
2. First line write down: `module Test where`
3. Then write your definitions
4. Use GHCi to load (`:l Test.hs`) and reload (`:r`)

```
1  module Test where
2
3  double :: Int → Int
4  double x = x + x
5
6  quadruple :: Int → Int
7  quadruple x = double (double x)
8
9  -- then we add more functions
10 factorial :: Int → Int
11 factorial n = product [1..n]
12
13 average :: [Int] → Int
14 average ns = sum ns `div` length ns
```

```
λ ~/Library/CloudStorage/Dropbox/cs/2023comp3258/tutorial/01/Code/app/ ghci
GHCi, version 9.6.2: https://www.haskell.org/ghc/ :? for help
ghci> :l Test.hs
[1 of 1] Compiling Test                ( Test.hs, interpreted )
Ok, one module loaded.
ghci> double 2
4
ghci> quadruple 4
16
ghci> :r
Ok, one module loaded.
ghci> factorial 10
3628800
ghci> average [1,2,3,4,5]
3
ghci> []
```

# Prelude

» Main.hs

```
1 module Main where
```

```
2
```

```
3 x :: Integer
```

imported by Prelude!

```
4 x = 1 Integer :: Type
```

```
5
```

```
6 main
```

Defined in 'GHC.Num.Integer' (ghc-bignum-1.3)

```
7 main
```

Arbitrary precision integers. In contrast with fixed-size integral types such as `Int`, the `Integer` type represents the entire infinite range of integers.

Integers are stored in a kind of sign-magnitude form, hence do not expect two's complement form when using bit operations.

If the value is small (fit into an `Int`), `IS` constructor is used. Otherwise `IP` and `IN` constructors are used to store a `BigNat` representing respectively the positive or the negative value magnitude.

# Prelude

- Prelude is a module that contains a small set of standard definitions.
- It's imported by default implicitly.
- What Prelude does is only to re-import definitions in other modules.
- Check its source code at <https://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.18.0.0/docs/src/Prelude.html>

Questions

# Q1

- Is the following Haskell program valid?

```
N = a `div` length xs where
  a  = 10
  xs = [1,2,3,4,5]
```

- Surprisingly the program is **invalid**. The name of a usual function (or value) definition **shouldn't** start with a capital letter. If you feed the program to GHCi, it would emit an error message:

```
Test.hs:16:1: error: [GHC-76037] Not in scope: data constructor 'N'
```

```
  |
16 | N = a `div` length xs where
    | ^
```

```
Failed, no modules loaded.
```



# Q2

- Define your own **last** function using the functions introduced above (head, tail, take, drop, reverse, length)?
- Hint: **last** returns the last element of a list.
- Are there other approaches?

```
-- If we are restricted to use library function only
```

```
last :: [a] → a
```

```
last xs = head (drop (length xs - 1) xs)
```

```
-- While if we implement it by ourself, we could do it by pattern matching
```

```
last :: [a] → a
```

```
last [] = error "calling last on empty list"
```

```
last (x : []) = x
```

```
last (x : y : xs) = last (y : xs)
```

# Q3

- Define `init` in two different ways.
- Hint: `init` removes the last element of a list.

```
-- using library functions
```

```
init :: [a] → [a]
```

```
init xs = take (length xs - 1) xs
```

```
-- pattern matching and recursion
```

```
init :: [a] → [a]
```

```
init [] = error "calling init on empty list"
```

```
init (x : []) = []
```

```
init (x : y : xs) = x : init (y : xs)
```

# Further Reading

- *Programming in Haskell* (Graham Hutton)
- *Learn You a Haskell for Great Good!* (Miran Lipovača)
- *Haskell Programming from First Principles* (Christopher Allen, Julie Moronuki)

Q & A