



Modules

*Big-time-functional
programming*

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0 Packaging Data Together

Examples

```
Int.toString : int -> string  
Int.compare : int * int -> order  
Int.min : int * int -> int  
Int.max : int * int -> int  
Int.abs : int -> int
```

```
String.concat : string list -> string  
String.concatWith :  
    string -> string list -> string  
String.implode : char list -> string  
String.explode : string -> char list  
String.isPrefix : string -> string -> bool  
String.compare : string * string -> order
```

Other examples

```
List.null : 'a list -> bool  
List.length : 'a list -> int  
List.nth : 'a list * int -> 'a  
List.rev : 'a list -> 'a list
```

```
ListPair.zip :  
    'a list * 'b list -> ('a * 'b) list  
ListPair.unzip :  
    ('a * 'b) list -> 'a list * 'b list
```

```
Fn.id : 'a -> 'a  
Fn.const : 'b -> 'a -> 'b  
Fn.curry : ('a * 'b -> 'c) -> 'a -> 'b -> 'c  
Fn.uncurry : ('a -> 'b -> 'c) -> 'a * 'b -> 'c
```

Structure Syntax

0712.0 (Crypto.sml)

```
3 structure Foo =
4   struct
5     datatype blah = A of int | B of string
6     val k = 3
7     exception Badness
8     fun g 0 = 1
9       | g n = 2 + g(n-1)
10    end
```

Deep in the bowels of SML

```
structure Int = struct ... end  
  
structure Bool = struct ... end  
  
structure String = struct ... end  
  
structure List = struct ... end  
  
structure Fn = struct ... end
```

1 Signatures and Transparent Ascription

Today's Slogan:

There are some things the user
shouldn't know

Example: Crypto structure

```
(* highly-secure pseudorandom number generator
*)
Crypto.prng : int -> int
```

0712.1 (Crypto.sml)

```
14 structure Crypto =
15 struct
16     fun calc1 n = 1013 + (389 * n)
17     fun calc2 n = n mod 1039
18     val prng = calc2 o calc1
19 end
```

Fix your signature to it

0712.2 (Crypto.sml)

```
23 signature CRYPTO =
24 sig
25   val prng : int -> int
26 end
```

0712.3 (Crypto.sml)

```
30 structure Crypto2 : CRYPTO =
31 struct
32   fun calc1 n = 1013 + (389 * n)
33   fun calc2 n = n mod 1039
34   val prng = calc2 o calc1
35 end
```

Can go in a signature:

- Types
- Datatypes
- Values
- Exceptions
- Structures

Notes:

- **type** declarations in the signature can be fulfilled by **datatypes** in the structure.
- If the **datatype** is given in the signature, it must be copied identically in the structure.
- **types** can also be given *concretely* or *abstractly* in the signature.

Concrete

```
signature SIGCo =  
sig  
  type t = int  
end
```

Abstract

```
signature SIGAb =  
sig  
  type t  
end
```

Transparent Ascription

```
signature SIGAb = sig type t end
```

```
structure StructName1 : SIGAb = struct
    type t = int
end
```

Even if the type is left abstract in the signature, the user knows what it is implemented as.

Opaque Ascription

```
structure StructName2 :> SIGAb= struct
    type t = int
end
```

If the type is left abstract in the signature, the user *has no idea* what it is implemented as. Remember to give them a method for making values of that type!

Use for transparent: Typeclasses

0712.4 (Crypto.sml)

```
62 signature PRINTABLE =
63   sig type t
64     val toString : t -> string
65   end
66 structure IOP : PRINTABLE =
67   struct
68     type t = int option
69     fun toString NONE = "NONE"
70     | toString (SOME x) =
71       "SOME(" ^ (Int.toString x) ^ ")"
72   end
```

Check Your Understanding

Why do we want transparent in this case?

2 Opaque Ascription

Motivation: keeping it natural

Is there a type of natural numbers in SML?

0712.5 (Nat.sml)

```
3 fun fact (0 : nat) : nat = 1  
4   | fact n = n * fact(n-1)
```

```
type nat = int
```

0712.6 (Nat.sml)

```
8 signature NAT =
9 sig
10   type nat
11   val zero : nat
12   val succ : nat -> nat
13   val abs : int -> nat
14   val asInt : nat -> int
15   exception Negative
16   val ? : int -> nat
17 end
```

0712.7 (Nat.sml)

```
21 structure Nat:>NAT =
22 struct
23   type nat = int
24   val zero = 0
25   fun succ x = x + 1
26   val abs = Int.abs
27   val asInt = Fn.id
28   exception Negative
29   fun ? n = if n<0 then raise Negative else n
30 end
```

0712.8 (Nat.sml)

```
34 fun smartfact (n : Nat.nat):int =
35   let
36     fun fact 0 = 1
37     | fact (k:int):int = k * fact(k-1)
38   in
39     fact(Nat.toInt n)
40   end
```

The Nat structure maintained the **invariant** that every integer which the user can obtain of type Nat . nat must be nonnegative.

By ascribing opaquely, the user isn't able to construct any values of the abstract type "on their own". So they must use the methods supplied by the structure, which can be guaranteed to maintain the invariant.

Example: Queues

Queues are a sequential, first-in first-out data structure.

We can start out with an empty queue

```
>
```

Then *insert* or *enqueue* an element

```
> 3
```

Then another

```
> 3 4
```

Then if we *dequeue*, it returns the first one we put in

```
> 4
```

The QUEUE signature

0712.9 (QUEUE.sig)

```
2 signature QUEUE =
3 sig
4   type 'a queue
5   val emp : 'a queue
6   val ins : 'a * 'a queue -> 'a queue
7   val rem : 'a queue -> ('a * 'a queue) option
8 end
```

0712.10 (queue.sml)

```
2 structure LQ :> QUEUE =
3
4     type 'a queue = 'a list
5     val emp = []
6     fun ins (n, l) = l @ [n]
7     fun rem [] = NONE
8         | rem (y :: ys) = SOME (y, ys)
9 end
```

Invariant $L : 'a$ $LQ.\text{queue}$ lists the elements in the queue from first-in to last-in.

```
13 structure LLQ :> QUEUE =
14 struct
15   type 'a queue = ('a list) * ('a list)
16   val emp = ([], [])
17   fun ins (n, (front, back)) = (front, n :: back)
18   fun rem ([] , []) = NONE
19   | rem (y :: ys, back) = SOME (y, (ys, back))
20   | rem ([] , back) = rem (List.rev back, [])
21 end
```

Invariant If $(f, b) : 'a LLQ.queue$, then $f @ (\text{rev } b)$ lists the elements in the queue from first-in to last-in.

Outside scope of the course:
Amortized Analysis

Homework:

Prove that a user cannot tell the difference between LQ and LLQ

- Can use structures to package data together
- Can use signatures to provide interfaces for uses
- The modules system allows you to hide information behind abstraction boundaries

- Typeclasses and algebraic structures
- Functors
- Sets

Thank you!