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Running example: Haskell curry

1. Chop and fry onions
2. Chop some garlic
3. Mix curry paste and chilli
4. Stir all together

Pure functions: Infinite pantry

The pantry

get :: *Pantry* → *Ingredient* → *Dish*

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Problem: The rent is very high on infinitely large warehouses

IO monad: “Here, take the chequebook”

Invoice Orders

type *IO a*

instance *Monad IO*

buy :: *Shop* → *Ingredient* → *IO Dish*

curry :: *Shop* → *IO Dish*

curry shop = **do**

onion ← *buy shop* "onion"

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Problem: Who knows what the chef will do?!

Custom monad: JIT shopping trips

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```

```
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Problem: What if the mall is down in the valley, but the kitchen is up on a very high mountain; you could even say the kitchen is in the Clouds...

Bulk shopping (1st try)

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```
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```
take :: Ingredient → RecipeM Dish
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```
ingredientsOf :: RecipeM a → [Ingredient]
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```
cook :: Monad m ⇒ ([Ingredients] → m Pantry) → RecipeM a → m a
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Problem: This is impossible to implement: what about buying a cookbook, and cooking a recipe from that? What are the ingredients of the following recipe?

```
myRecipe = do
  pasta ← take "pasta"
  cookbook ← take "101 Pasta Sauce Recipes"
  let sauceRecipe = cookbook !! 14
  sauce ← sauceRecipe
  return (mixOf [cooked pasta, sauce])
```

Bulk shopping (2nd try)

```
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get  :: Pantry → Ingredient → Dish
```

```
curry :: ([Ingredient], Pantry → Dish)  
curry = (ingredients, cook)
```

where

```
ingredients = ["onion", "potato", "curry paste", "chilli"]
```

```
cook pantry = mixOf [fried (chopped onion)  
                    , chopped garlic  
                    , mixOf spices]
```

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Problem: There is no connection between the ingredient list and the cooking instructions.

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Chocolate Spread & Hazelnut Drops

- 1 Preheat the oven to 190°C/375°F/Gas Mark 5. Line 2 baking sheets with baking parchment.
- 2 Put the butter and sugar into a bowl and mix well with a wooden spoon, then beat in the egg yolk and vanilla extract. Sift together the flour, cocoa and a pinch of salt into the mixture, add the ground hazelnuts and stir until thoroughly combined.
- 3 Scoop out tablespoons of the mixture and shape into balls with your hands, then put them on to the prepared baking sheets spaced well apart. Use the dampened handle of a wooden spoon to make a hollow in the centre of each cookie.
- 4 Bake for 12–15 minutes. Leave to cool on the baking sheets for 5–10 minutes, then using a palette knife, carefully transfer the cookies to wire racks to cool completely. When they are cold, fill the hollows in the centre with chocolate and hazelnut spread.

Makes about 30

- * 225 g/8 oz butter, softened
- * 140 g/5 oz caster sugar
- * 1 egg yolk, lightly beaten
- * 2 tsp vanilla extract
- * 225 g/8 oz plain flour
- 55 g/2 oz cocoa powder
- 55 g/2 oz ground hazelnuts
- 55 g/2 oz plain chocolate chips
- 4 tbsp chocolate and hazelnut spread
- * salt

Static analysis with applicative functors

Applicative recipes

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cook :: Applicative f ⇒ ([Ingredient] → f Pantry) → Recipe a → f a
take :: Ingredient → Recipe Dish
```

```
curry :: Recipe Dish
curry = mixOf ⟨$⟩ sequenceA
  [fried ◦ chopped ⟨$⟩ onion
  , chopped      ⟨$⟩ garlic
  , mixOf        ⟨$⟩ spices
  ]
where
  onion = take "onion"
  garlic = take "garlic"
  spices = traverse take ["curry paste", "chilli"]
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```
{-# LANGUAGE ApplicativeDo #-}
curry :: Recipe Dish
curry = do
  onion ← take "onion"
  garlic ← take "garlic"
  spices ← traverse take ["curry paste", "chilli"]
  pure (mixOf [fried (chopped onion), chopped garlic, mixOf spices])
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```
data Recipe a = MkRecipe
  { ingredientsOf :: [Ingredient]
  , run           :: Pantry → a
  }
take ingr = MkRecipe [ingr] (λpantry → get pantry ingr)
cook shopFor recipe = do
  pantry ← shopFor (ingredientsOf recipe)
  return (run recipe pantry)
```

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Even better: applicatives compose!

```
type Recipe = Product (Const [Ingredient]) (Reader Pantry)
```

So what?

- ▶ Think about desirable effects
- ▶ Think about composition
- ▶ Analyzing monadic computations is tricky (“the \rightarrow in \gg ”)
- ▶ Constraint on clients \Leftrightarrow freedom of implementation
- ▶ Applicative functor interface: structure is known without running effects