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autofunctor

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Let $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ be an endofunctor on a category \mathcal{C} . If F is a bijection on both objects, $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$, and morphisms, $\text{Mor}(\mathcal{C})$, then it is an autofunctor.

In short, an autofunctor is a full and faithful endofunctor $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ such that the mapping $b: \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$ which is induced by F is a bijection.

An autofunctor $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is naturally isomorphic to the identity functor $\text{Id}_{\mathcal{C}}: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$.