

Learn You Some Algebras for Glorious Good!

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

This is a math book. We aim to take a logically rigorous, yet informal approach to math.

The title (and content) is inspired by Miran Lipovača's Learn You a Haskell for Great Good! If you want to learn the Haskell programming language, we recommend that book.

I have observed that most math (and science) books nowadays seem to take an approach wherein it's more important to keep an academic tone than it is for the reader to understand the material, and, more importantly, enjoy reading the book. We take the opposite approach. We want to create a book that is fun to read, easy to understand, while still addressing the more advanced concepts in math.

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