

Functional Programming 2: First-Class Functions

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- What if we want to make a function dynamically?

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;; e.g. Make the function that computes
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