

Beautiful Types

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Haskell



Identity

`id ::`

`a -> a`

Constant

const ::

a -> b -> a

What does this do?

$(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow [b]$

Map

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map ::  
(a -> b) -> [a] -> [b]
```


What does this do?

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forall a b. (b -> a -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
```


Fold

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foldl ::  
forall a b. (b -> a -> b) -> b -> [a] -> b
```


What does this do?



Int -> [a] -> [a]

Take

take ::

Int -> [a] -> [a]

What happens if
 $\text{length } [a] = 0$?

`take ::`

`Int -> [a] -> [a]`

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take _ []

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[]

What happens if $\text{Int} < 0$?

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take ::
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Int -> [a] -> [a]
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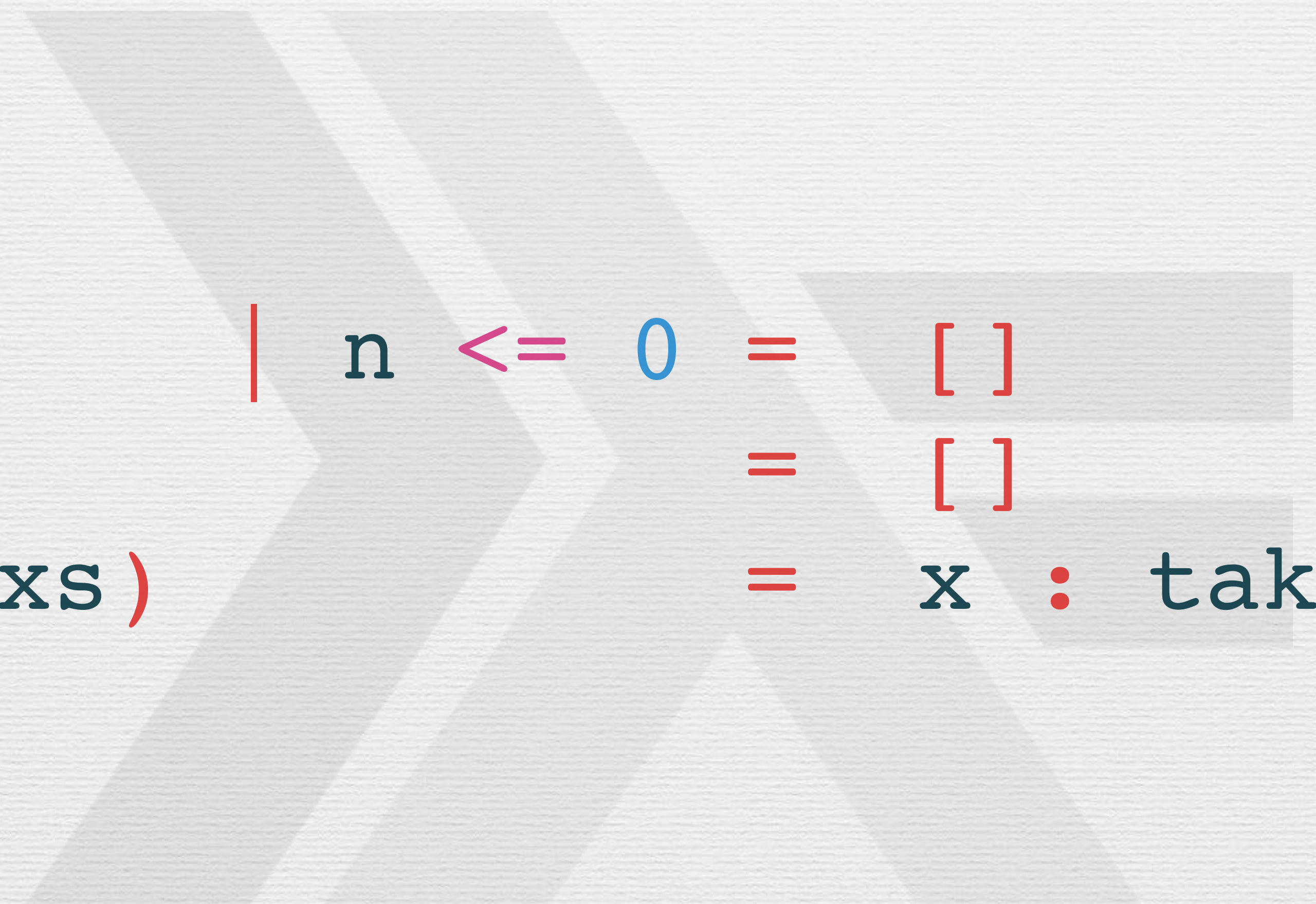

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take n _

| n <= 0 = []

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Take



```
take n _ | n <= 0 = []  
take _ [] = []  
take n (x:xs) = x : take (n-1) xs
```


Idris



What does this do?

$(n : \text{Nat}) \rightarrow (xs : \text{List } a) \rightarrow \text{List } a$

Take

take :
(n : Nat) → (xs : List a) → List a



What happens if
 $\text{length } [a] = 0$?

`take :`
`(n : Nat) -> (xs : List a) -> List a`

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take (S n) [] = []

Take

`take Z xs = []`
`take (S n) [] = []`
`take (S n) (x :: xs) = x :: take n xs`

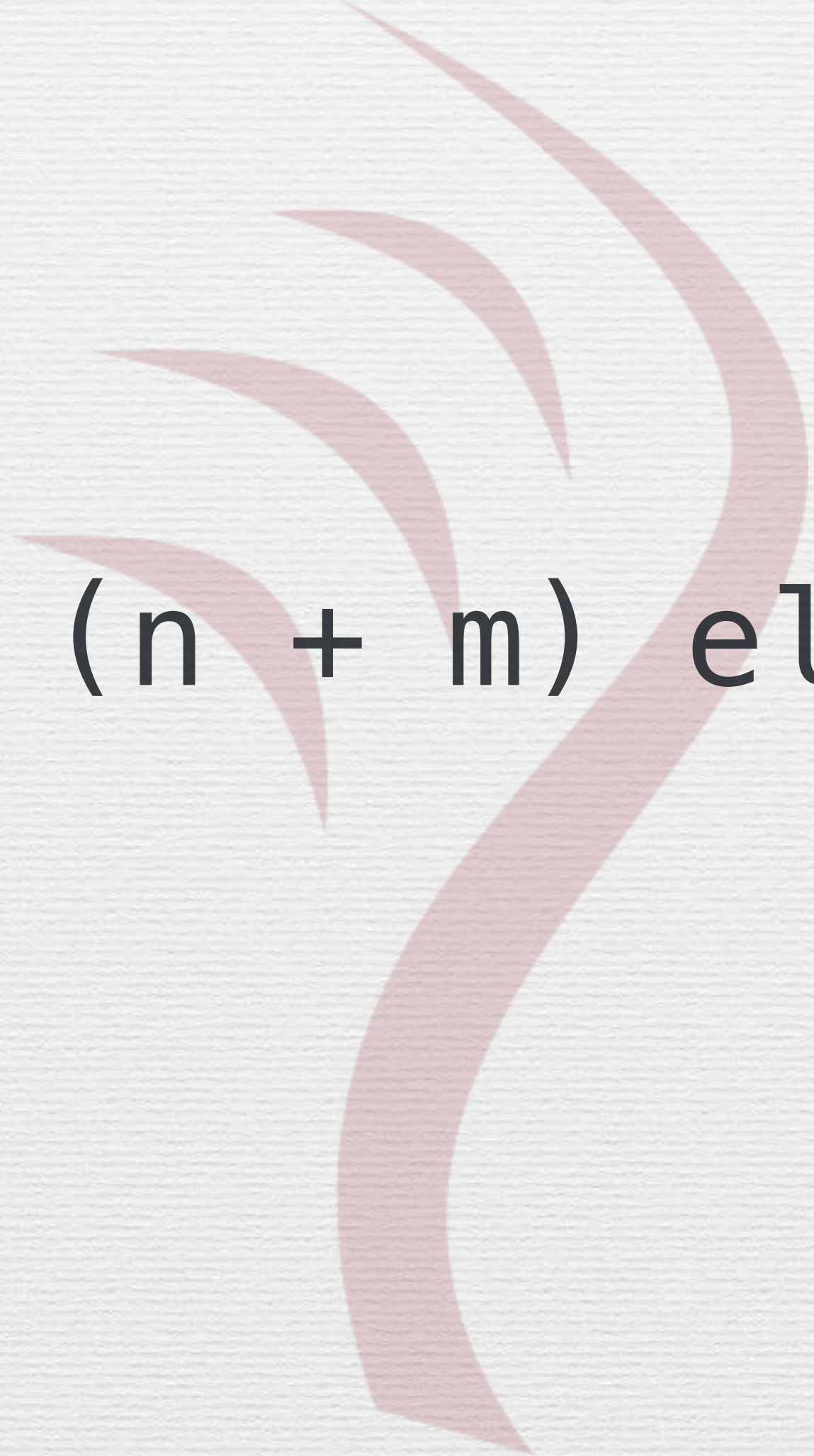
What does this do?

$(n : \text{Nat}) \rightarrow \text{Vect } (n + m) \text{ elem} \rightarrow \text{Vect } n \text{ elem}$



Take

take :
(n : Nat) -> Vect (n + m) elem -> Vect n elem



Take

`take Z xs = []`
`take (S k) (x :: xs) = x :: take k xs`

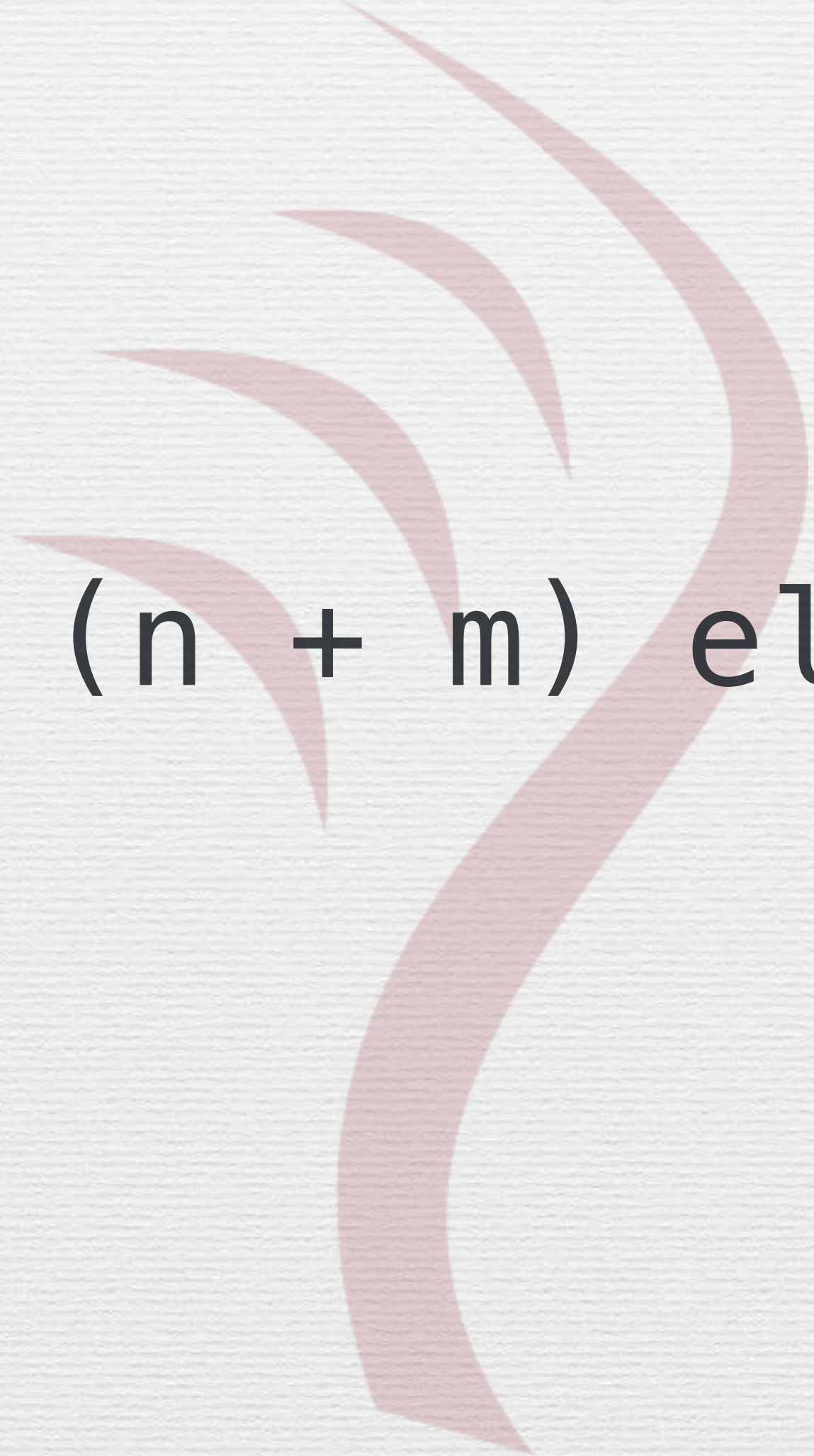
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$(n : \text{Nat}) \rightarrow \text{Vect } (n + m) \text{ elem} \rightarrow \text{Vect } m \text{ elem}$



Drop

`drop :`
`(n : Nat) -> Vect (n + m) elem -> Vect m elem`



Drop

$\text{drop } Z \text{ } xs = xs$
 $\text{drop } (S \ k) \ (x :: xs) = \text{drop } k \ xs$

Types which tell you what
they are, are beautiful.



Thank you!

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[https://github.com/MikeMKH/
talks/tree/master/beautiful-types](https://github.com/MikeMKH/talks/tree/master/beautiful-types)



S steps

- Learn more about Idris - <http://docs.idris-lang.org/en/latest/tutorial/index.html>
- Try Idris - <https://tryidris.herokuapp.com/console>
- Watch about Type Driven Development with Idris - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X36ye-1x_HQ

Haskell Source Code

- id - <http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/src/GHC.Base.html#id>
- const - <http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/src/GHC.Base.html#const>
- map - <http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/src/GHC.Base.html#map>
- foldl - <http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/src/GHC.List.html#foldl>
- take - <http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/src/GHC.List.html#take>

Idris Source Code

- List take - <https://github.com/idris-lang/Idris-dev/blob/beb8e9cdb881f540094b4f457fd03d44af116103/libs/prelude/Prelude/List.idr#L191-L194>
- Vect take - <https://github.com/idris-lang/Idris-dev/blob/beb8e9cdb881f540094b4f457fd03d44af116103/libs/base/Data/Vect.idr#L104-L106>
- Vect drop - <https://github.com/idris-lang/Idris-dev/blob/beb8e9cdb881f540094b4f457fd03d44af116103/libs/base/Data/Vect.idr#L110-L112>

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