

Curry and Function Composition

Why do we curry?

Curried functions are particularly useful in the context of function **composition**.

In algebra, given two functions, f and g :

$$f : a \rightarrow b, g : b \rightarrow c$$

You can compose those functions together to create a new function, h from a directly to c :

$$h : a \rightarrow c$$

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const h = compose(f,g)
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What is point-free style

Point-free style is a style of programming where function definitions do not make reference to the function's arguments.

```
const resultEquals20 =  
  filter(  
    compose(  
      equals(20),  
      prop("result")  
    )  
  )  
)
```

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//adds 1 to a number  
const inc = add(1)
```

What is a partial application

A partial application is a function which has been applied to some, but not yet all of its arguments.

Partial applications can take as many or as few arguments a time as desired.

Curried functions on the other hand always return a unary function: a function which takes one argument.

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const inc = curry(add)(1)
```

Trace function

How to trace the value between each step during the composition?

```
const traceWithLabel = <T>(label:string, value : T)=>{  
  console.log(`label:${value}`);  
  return value;  
}  
const trace = curry(traceWithLabel)
```

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with type information:

```
const compose = <T1,T2,T3>(f:(v:T2)=>T3,g:(v:T1)=>T2) => (v:T1)=>f(g(v))
```

without type information:

```
const compose = (f,g) => (v)=>f(g(v))
```


Composition in other direction : pipe

While `compose` combines functions from right-to-left, function pipe build a pipe flowing left-to-right, calling each function with the output of the last one.

```
const h = compose(f,g)  
const i = pipe(g,f)
```

exercise

Implement a type pipe function that combine two functions.

```
const g = ( n :number) => n + 1
const f = ( n :number) => n * 10

const i = pipe(g,f)
console.log(i(10)); //output 110
```