ROB NAPIER

A: THERE AND BACK AGAIN



```
slice :: [a] -> Int -> Int -> [a]
slice [] _ _ = []
slice xs i j = map snd . filter((>=i) . fst) $ zip [1..j] xs
```



FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING IS A WAY OF THINKING

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    let person = Person(name: name)
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var possiblePersons: [Person] = []
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    possiblePersons.append(person)
var persons: [Person] = []
for person in possiblePersons {
    if person.isValid {
        persons append (person)
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var possiblePersons: [Person] = []
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   let person = Person(name: name)
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}
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let possiblePersons = names.map(Person.init)

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}
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"FUNCTIONAL" TOOLS

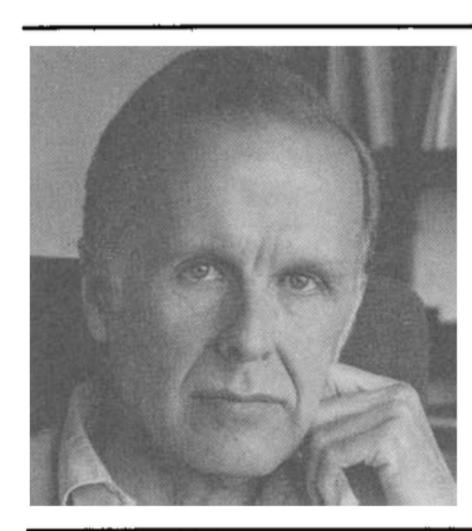
- dropFirst
- dropLast
- forEach
- flatMap
- prefix
- split
- suffix
- first(where:)
- contains

- elementsEqual
- enumerated
- flatten
- joined
- max
- min
- reduce
- reversed
- sorted

- starts(with:)
- isEmpty
- count
- index(of:)
- index(where:)
- popFirst
- removeFirst
- • •

Can Programming Be Liberated from the von Neumann Style? A Functional Style and Its Algebra of Programs

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Conventional programming languages are growing ever more enormous, but not stronger. Inherent defects at the most basic level cause them to be both fat and weak: their primitive word-at-a-time style of programming inherited from their common ancestor—the von Neumann computer, their close coupling of semantics to state transitions, their division of programming into a world of expressions and a world of statements, their inability to effectively use powerful combining forms for building new programs from existing ones, and their lack of useful mathematical properties for reasoning about programs.

An alternative functional style of programming is founded on the use of combining forms for creating programs. Functional programs deal with structured data, are often nonrepetitive and nonrecursive, are hierarchically constructed, do not name their arguments, and do not require the complex machinery of procedure declarations to become generally applicable. Combining forms can use high level programs to build still higher level ones in a style not possible in conventional languages.

HASKELL

Create new function sum by combining existing functions foldr and +

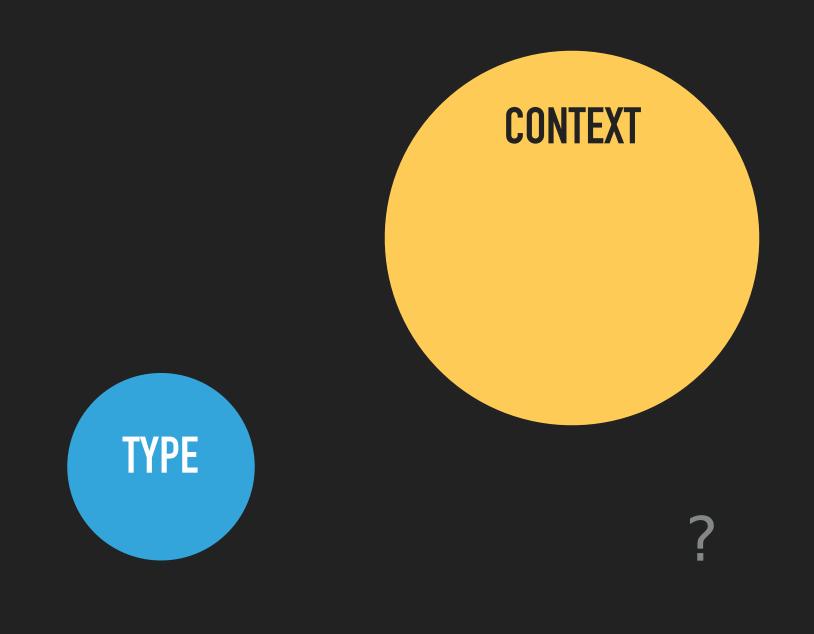
```
let sum = foldr (+) 0
sum [1..10]
```

SWIFT

Attach Sequence methods to MyStruct

```
extension MyStruct<T>: Sequence {
    func makeIterator() -> AnyIterator<T> {
        return ...
    }
}
```

LIFTING A TYPE



String

NO VALUE: MAGIC VALUE

```
let noValue = -1
let n = 0
if n != noValue { ... }
```

NO VALUE: CONTEXT

```
let n: Int? = 0

if let n = n { ... }
```

```
login(username: "rob", password: "s3cret") {
    (token, error) in
    if let token = token {
        // success
    } else if let error = error {
            // failure
    }
}
```

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    if let token = token {
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```
struct Token {
   let string: String
}
```

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"AND" TYPE (PRODUCT)

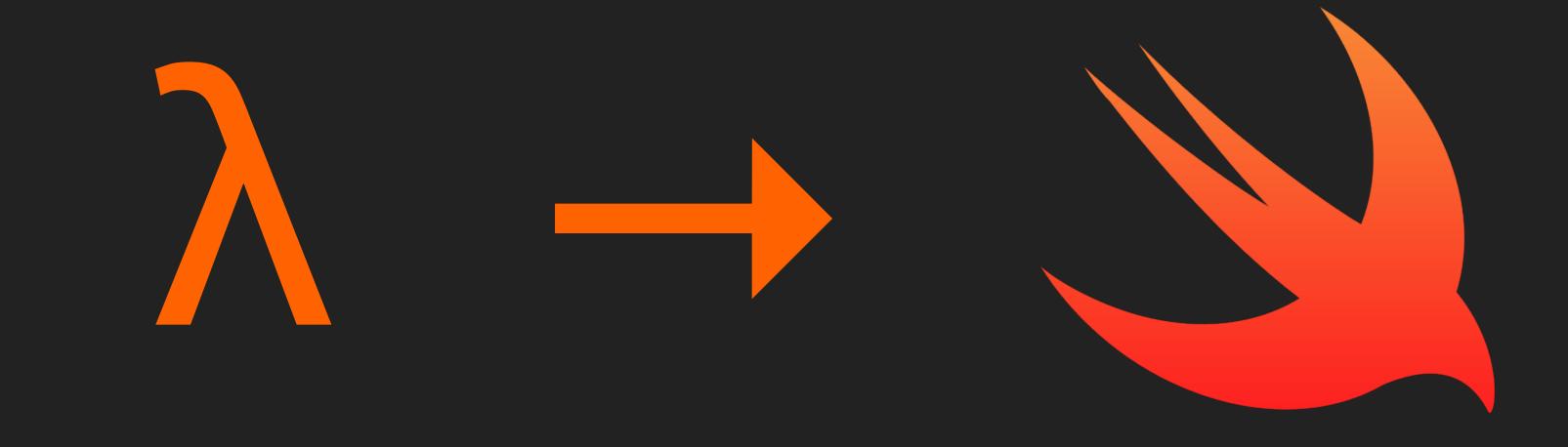
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struct Credential {
    var username: String
    var password: String
}
```

```
let credential = Credential(username: "rob",
                            password: "s3cret")
login(credential: credential) { (token, error) in
   if let token = token {
       // success
   } else if let error = error {
        // failure
                   token
                     set
               set
               nil ??
```

"OR" TYPE (SUM)

```
enum Result<Value> {
    case success(Value)
    case failure(Error)
}
```

```
login(credential: credential) { result in
    switch result {
    case .success(let token): // success
    case .failure(let error): // failure
    }
}
```



THE LESSONS

- Break apart complicated things into simpler things
- Look for generic patterns in the simple things
- Lift and compose simple things to make complex ones

LAMBDA: THERE AND BACK AGAIN

BREAK IT DOWN. BUILD IT UP.