204: Swift Functional Programming

Part 5: Conclusion

What We've Seen

- * Example of modeling via immutable values
- Use of elementary HOFs to process



Elements of FP style

- * Key practices to make programs "mathier":
 - immutable variables
 - pure functions (no side-effects)
 - * higher-order functions



Straight talk on FP

- Benefit: Makes programs as simple as simple math!
- Risk: Makes programs as hard as hard math!
- Sometimes cultish, but really a perspective
- Quite possible to use piece-meal



Straight talk on FP

- Type systems
 - a puzzle distracting you from the actual problem
 - a path toward deeper insight and clarity
 - ... depending on the day of the week;)

