

```
fun append (xs,ys) =  
  if xs=[]  
  then ys  
  else (hd xs)::append(tl xs,ys)  
  
fun map (f,xs) =  
  case xs of  
    [] => []  
  | x::xs' => (f x)::(map(f,xs'))  
  
val a = map (increment, [4,8,12,16])  
val b = map (hd, [[8,6],[7,5],[3,0,9]])
```

Programming Languages

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Wrap-Up: What We Have Learned

From “About the Course”

Successful course participants will:

- Internalize an accurate understanding of **what functional and object-oriented programs mean**
- Develop the skills necessary to **learn new programming languages quickly**
- **Master specific language concepts** such that they can recognize them in strange guises
- Learn to **evaluate the power and elegance of programming languages** and their constructs
- Attain reasonable proficiency in the ML, Racket, and Ruby languages and, as a by-product, **become more proficient in languages they already know**

Where we've been...

1. Basics, functions, recursion, scope, variables, tuples, lists, ...
2. Datatypes, pattern-matching, tail recursion
3. First-class functions, closures [and course motivation!]
4. Type inference, modules, equivalence
5. Dynamic types, parentheses, delayed evaluation, streams, macros
6. Structs, interpreters, closures
7. Static checking, static vs. dynamic
8. Dynamically-typed Object-Oriented Programming in Ruby
9. OOP vs. Functional decomposition, multiple inheritance, mixins, ...
10. Subtyping; generics vs. subtyping

The grid, one last time

SML, Racket, and Ruby are a useful *combination* for us

	dynamically typed	statically typed
functional	Racket	SML
object-oriented	Ruby	Java/C#/Scala

ML: polymorphic types, pattern-matching, abstract types & modules

Racket: dynamic typing, “good” macros, minimalist syntax, eval

Ruby: classes but not types, very OOP, mixins

[and much more]

There is more out there, remember:

Haskell: laziness, purity, type classes, monads

Prolog: unification and backtracking

[and much more]

Benefits of No Mutation

[An incomplete list?]

1. Can freely alias or copy values/objects: Section 1
2. More functions/modules are equivalent: Section 4
3. No need to make local copies of data: Section 5
4. Depth subtyping is sound: Section 10

State updates are appropriate when you are modeling a phenomenon that is inherently state-based

Some other highlights

- Function **closures** are *really* powerful and convenient...
 - ... and implementing them is not magic
- Datatypes and **pattern-matching** are really convenient...
 - ... and exactly the opposite of OOP decomposition
- Sound **static typing** prevents certain errors...
 - ... and is inherently approximate
- **Subtyping** and **generics** allow different kinds of code reuse...
 - ... and combine synergistically
- **Modularity** is really important; languages can help

More highlights

- Programs themselves can be thought of as trees
 - Implemented via **recursive interpreter**
- From the very beginning: Each language construct has **syntax, typing rules, and evaluation rules**
- From a small set of elegant primitives with precise semantics, we have built a world that runs on software
 - **Truly awe-inspiring!**

What now?

- I hope to have provided a *framework* that will *remain accurate* as you continue to learn about programming languages
 - Terminology and details may change, but these concepts have all *stood the test of time* [so far??]