```
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]])
```

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Subtyping From the Beginning

Last major topic

Build up key ideas from first principles

- In pseudocode because:
 - No time for another language
 - Simple to first show subtyping without objects

Then, a few segments from now:

- How does subtyping relate to types for OOP?
 - Brief sketch only
- What are the relative strengths of subtyping and generics?
- How can subtyping and generics combine synergistically?

A tiny language

- Can cover most core subtyping ideas by just considering records with mutable fields
- · Will make up our own syntax
 - ML has records, but no subtyping or field-mutation
 - Racket and Ruby have no type system
 - Java uses class/interface names and rarely fits on a slide

Records (half like ML, half like Java)

Record creation (field names and contents):

Record field access:

e f aluate e to record v with an f field, get contents of f field

Record field update

```
e1.f = e2 at to a record v1 and e2 to a value v2;
               Change v1's f field (which must exist) to v2;
       Return v2
```

A Basic Type System

Record types: What fields a record has and type for each field

```
{f1:t1, f2:t2, ..., fn:tn}
```

Type-checking expressions:

- If e1 has type t1, ..., en has type tn,
 then {f1=e1, ..., fn=en} has type {f1:t1, ..., fn:tn}
- If e has a record type containing f: t,
 then e.f has type t
- If e1 has a record type containing f : t and e2 has type t,
 then e1.f = e2 has type t

This is safe

These evaluation rules and typing rules prevent ever trying to access a field of a record that does not exist

Example program that type-checks (in a made-up language):

```
fun distToOrigin (p:{x:real,y:real}) =
   Math.sqrt(p.x*p.x + p.y*p.y)

val pythag : {x:real,y:real} = {x=3.0, y=4.0}
val five : real = distToOrigin(pythag)
```

Motivating subtyping

But according to our typing rules, this program does not type-check

It does nothing wrong and seems worth supporting

```
fun distToOrigin (p:{x:real,y:real}) =
   Math.sqrt(p.x*p.x + p.y*p.y)

val c : {x:real,y:real,color:string} =
   {x=3.0, y=4.0, color="green"}

val five : real = distToOrigin(c)
```

A good idea: allow extra fields

Natural idea: If an expression has type

```
{f1:t1, f2:t2, ..., fn:tn}
```

Then it can also have a type with some fields removed

This is what we need to type-check these function calls:

```
fun distToOrigin (p:{x:real,y:real}) = ...
fun makePurple (p:{color:string}) = ...

val c :{x:real,y:real,color:string} =
    {x=3.0, y=4.0, color="green"}

val _ = distToOrigin(c)
    val _ = makePurple(c)
```