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What is a Monad? (Recap)

Intuition

Let's make a program

```
main = do putStrLn "What is 2 + 2?"
x <- readLn
if x == 4
    then putStrLn "You're right!"
    else putStrLn "You're wrong!"</pre>
```

What is a Monad? (Recap)

Theory

Functor Definition

fmap :: Functor
$$F \Rightarrow (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow Fa \rightarrow Fb$$

Applicative Definition

pure :: **Applicative** A \Rightarrow a \rightarrow A a (<*>) :: **Applicative** A \Rightarrow A (a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow A a \rightarrow A b

What is a Monad? (Recap)

Theory

Monad Definition

return :: **Monad** M
$$\Rightarrow$$
 a \rightarrow M a (\gg) :: **Monad** M \Rightarrow M a \rightarrow (a \rightarrow M b) \rightarrow M b

- return constructs the monad
- >= allows composition of the monad
- Note: You might see other people say you need join to define the monad, providing either >>= or join is "rigorously" equivalent.

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