CS4450/7450: Introduction

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Grading

- Midterm (Friday, 10/5): 25%
- Written Homeworks + Programming: 40%
- Final: 35%

(Regrade Policy)

Requests for re-grades must be made in writing within 7 days of receiving graded HW/test. There will be absolutely no exceptions.

Personnel

- Instructor: Professor William L. Harrison
  Office: 318 EBN
  Office hours: *By appointment; email me first*
- Teaching Assistants:
  - Trevor Bajkowski
  - Matthew Deardorff

Textbooks

Both texts are online:

- *Learn You a Haskell for Good* by Miran Lipovaca
  Highly amusing and informative; available online.
- *Anatomy of Programming Languages* by William Cook.
- Slides, of course.

The following are good but not required.

- *Programming in Haskell* by Graham Hutton
- *Thinking Functionally with Haskell*, Richard Bird, Cambridge University Press.

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- You want to create your own programming language or domain specific language.
  - If you create one, you will also need to create either an interpreter or a compiler for it.
  - Recently, there has been a resurgence of interest in new languages: Elixir, Go, Rust just to name a few.

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- Realize that you alone are responsible for your performance; be disciplined.

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Case Study 1

Professor,
While you were away, I attempted to inquire about my grade via email and your auto email responded saying you were out of the country. I was inquiring about my grade because as a Senior slated to graduate in the fall I was hoping to earn an A- in your class after we had taken the final. I needed the A- for gpa purposes for job applications that I had to begun to fill out for when I graduate in the fall. I work in Dr. Kazic's Lab and she always speaks highly of you so I was hopeful that there may have either been a miscalculation on my final or class attendance points or a way for me to earn a few more points so that I may raise my grade and graduate in the fall.
Is there any way for me to raise my grade a degree?
Gratitude, ...

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Case Study 2

I have more than three days left.
The final isn't till next Thursday.
I'm not asking for pity, I'm asking
that you do help me with specific material
and not throw me to your TA's. I talked
to you about this before Thanksgiving, but
was out of town all last week for an interview
with Amazon. I wasn't able to come in then
so there was no point in talking to you about
it. I've really been trying to keep up, but
I just haven't been able to.

I'll come in multiple times, and only ask
specific questions. I'm not just going to
come in and say "teach me".

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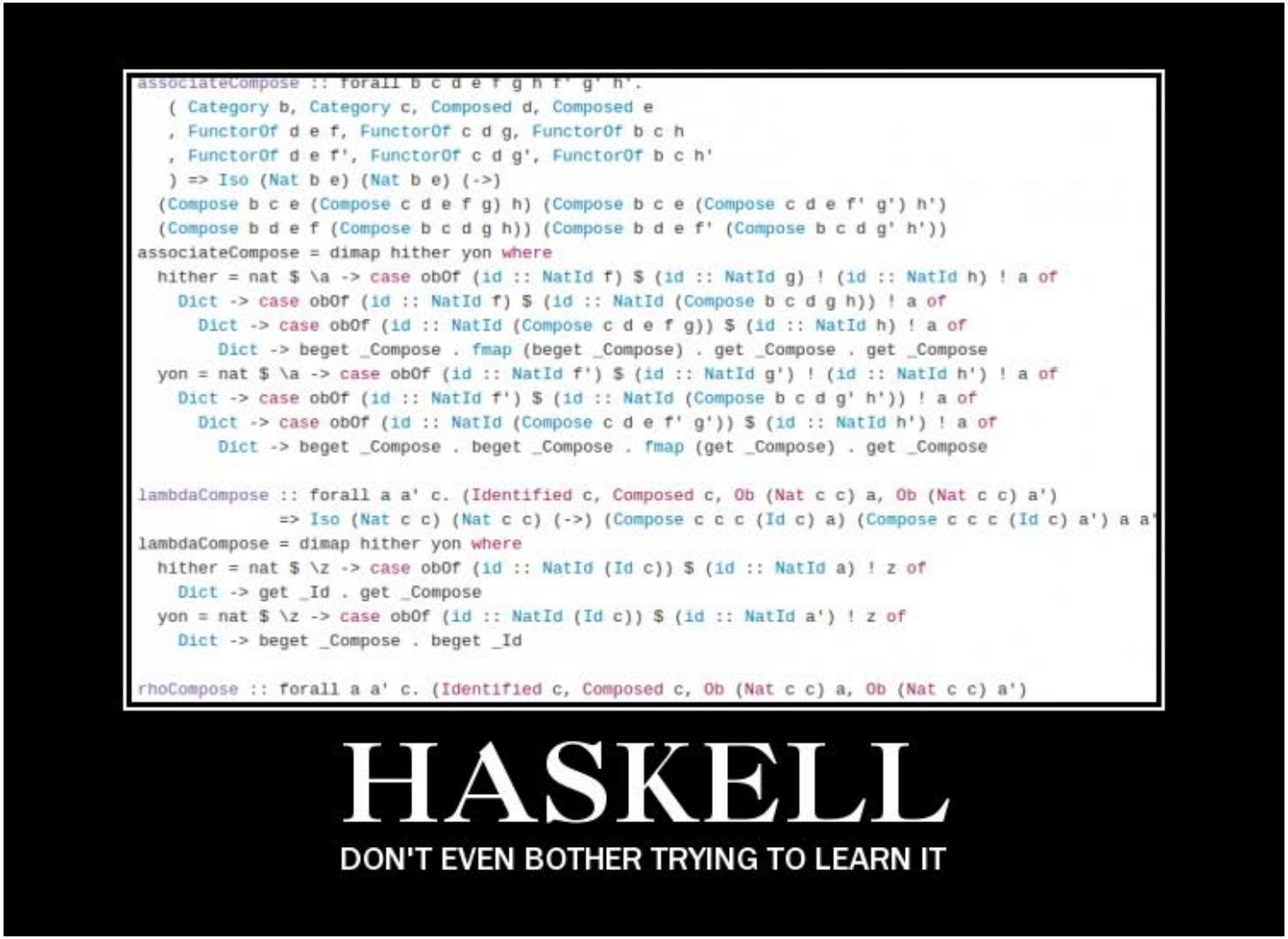
Case Study 2, cont'd

Quite frankly, I'm disappointed that this is the response I get when I ask for help. You still haven't given me potential times to come in, and I assume that by including your TA's I'm going to get the typical response of "go talk to your TA's". I don't pay this University though to talk to TA's. I pay to get help from a professor.

Also, you are the third professor that has been stubborn to work with me with traveling this semester. I'm not taking vacations, I'm trying to get a job at some of the biggest tech companies in the US (Google, Amazon, and Microsoft). This University is supposed to enable me to succeed, not impede me.

So, I'll ask again. When can I come talk to you about the material in class so I can pass this class, and more importantly, understand the material?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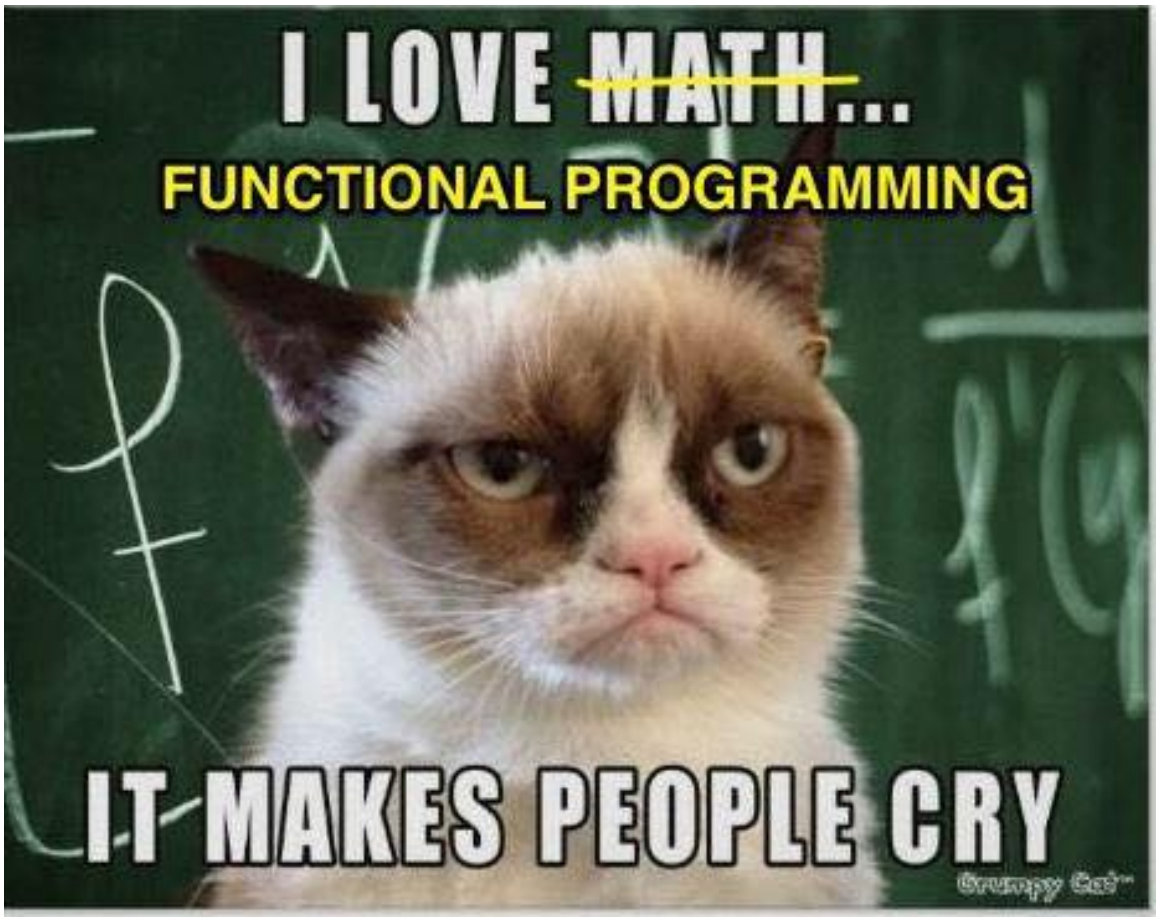
I LOVE MATH...
FUNCTIONAL PROGRAMMING
IT MAKES PEOPLE CRY
Grumpy Cat™


AND THIS IS HOW
WE WRITE HELLO WORLD
IN HASKELL

Actually, it's just:

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main = print "Hello World"
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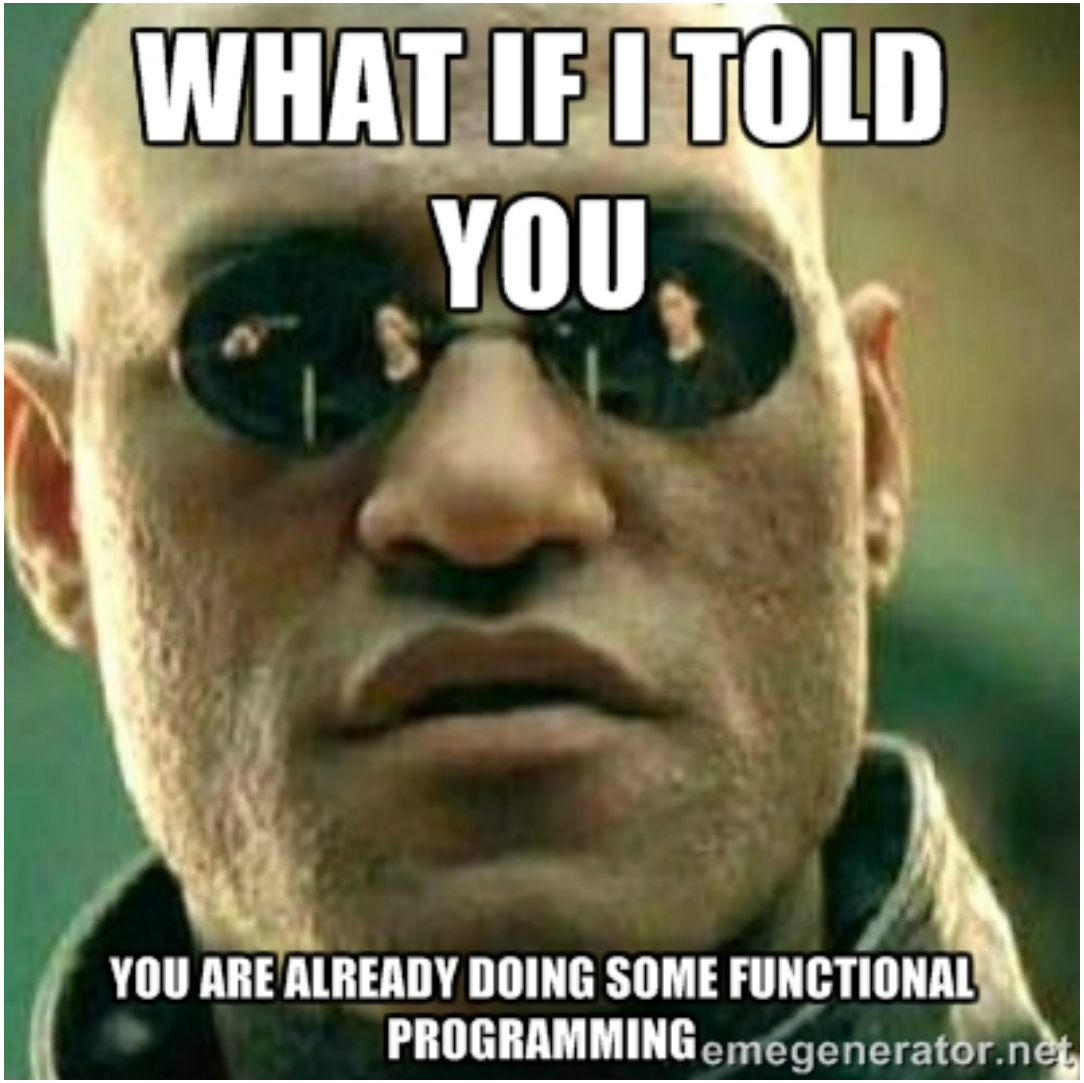
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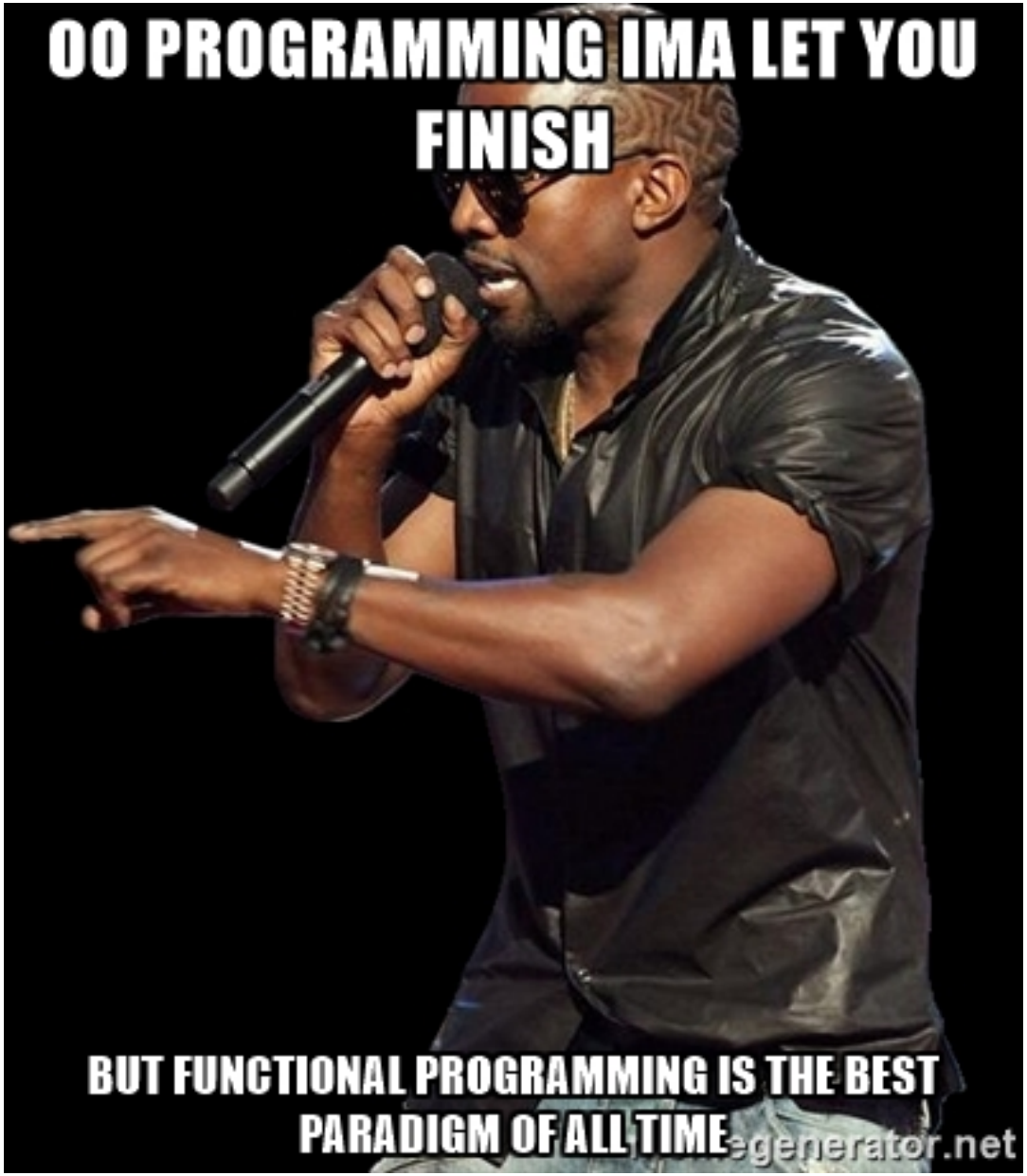
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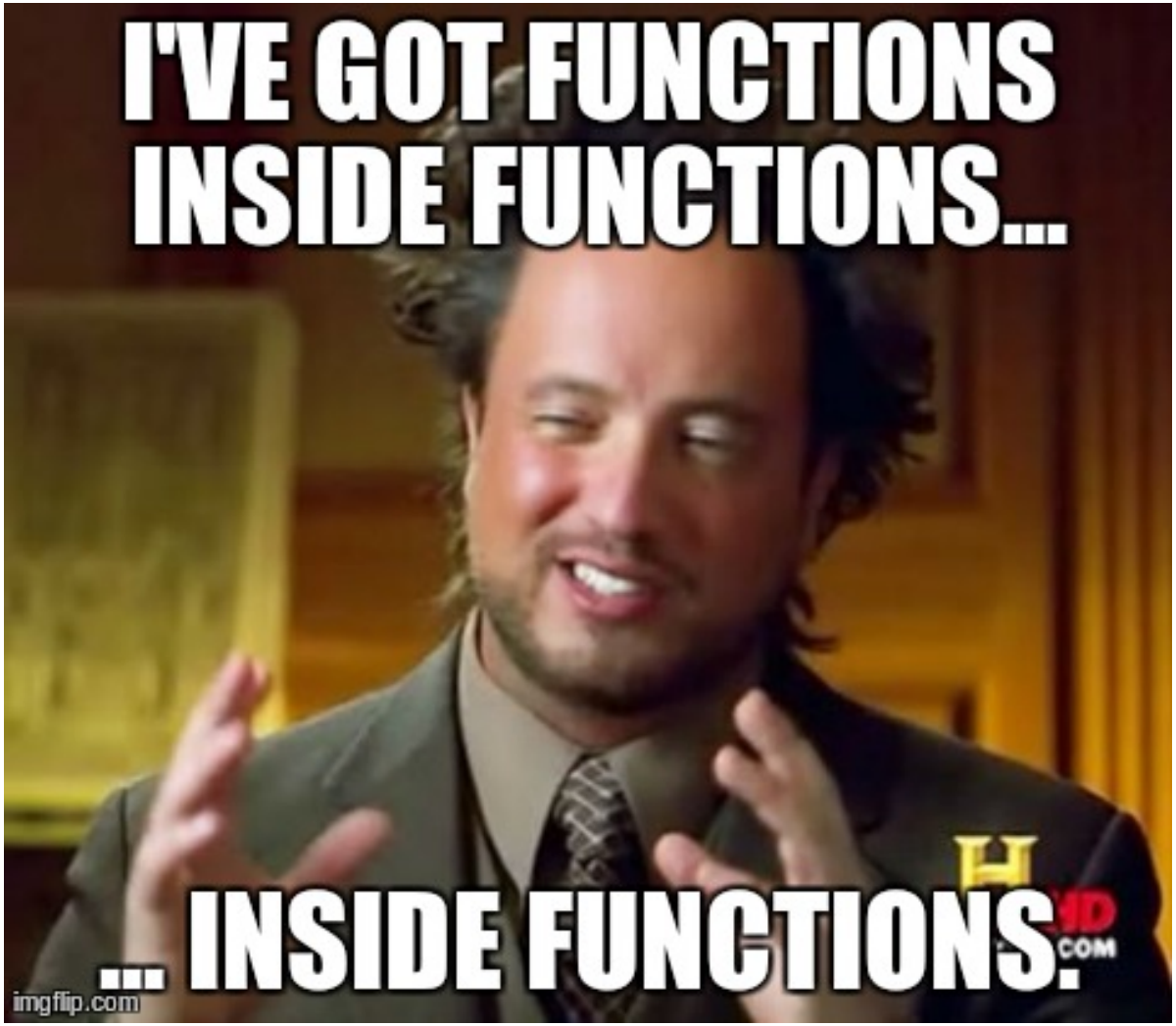
LIKE ALL VALUES IN HASKELL, MY LOVE FOR YOU IS IMMUTABLE.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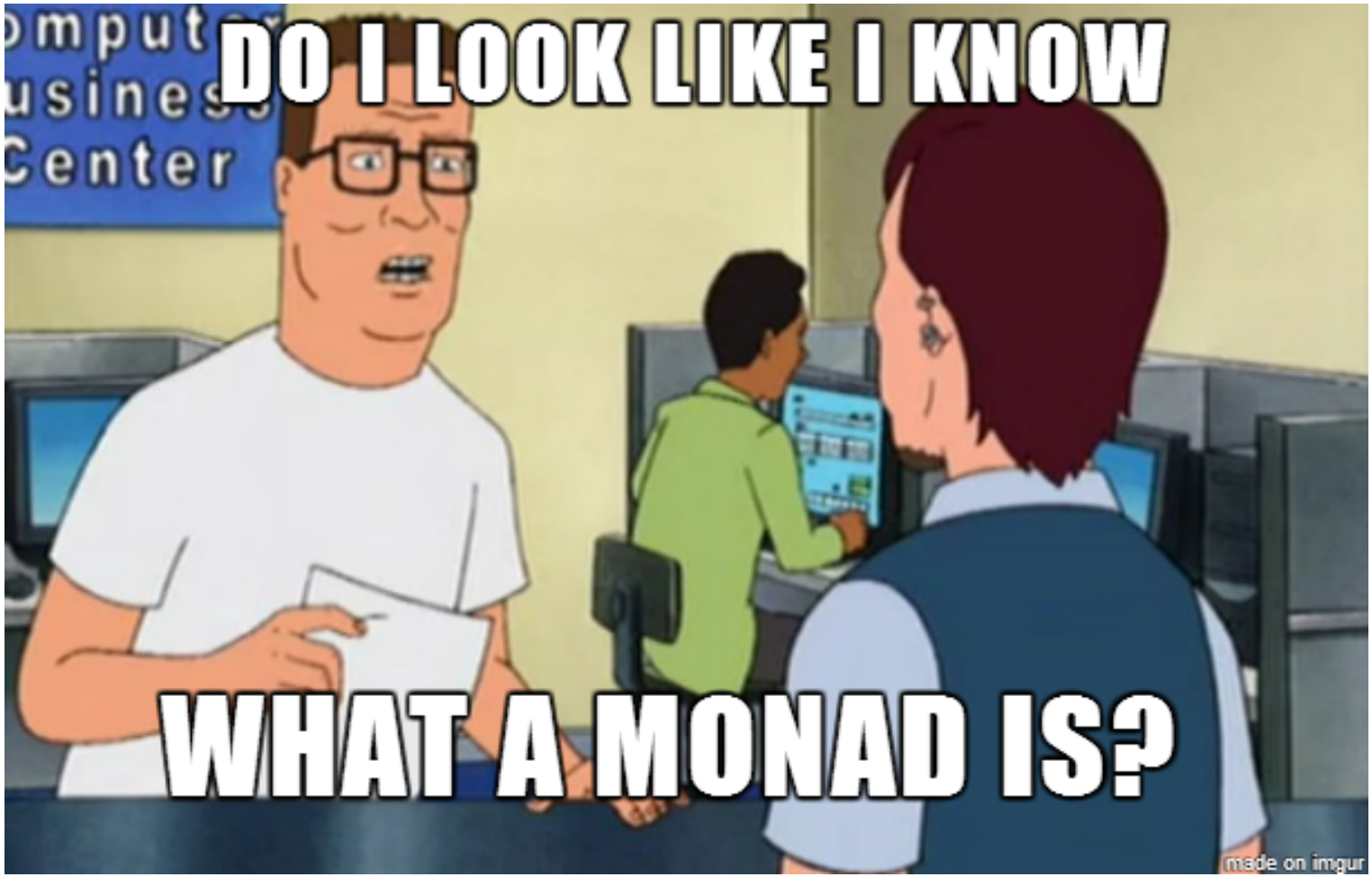
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WHAT A MONAD IS?
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