Carp

A Language for the 21st Century

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man carp

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type-inferred statically typed, at no extra charge
borrow-checked no GC, at not extra charge
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whence -v carp

Haskell implements a Hindley-Milner type system and inference

⇒ You don't have to spell types out anymore!

Rust implements borrow checking

⇒ You don't have to manually manage memory, even without a GC!

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Let's put those things together and rejoice!

⇒ Also add some Lisp macro goodness and a near-seamless C FFI for good measure! source carp

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 $\operatorname{Listing}\ 1:\ \mathsf{A}\ \mathsf{silly}\ \mathsf{zepto}\ \mathsf{function}$

Carp has a typed (but generic) hashmap/dictionary type.

It is not a builtin type.

Let's briefly look at a simple hashmap implementation

A hash function determines the placement of an element in an array of arrays.

We append the element to the array inside the other to deal with hash collisions.

Lookup combines hashing and a linear search.

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 $\operatorname{Listing}\ 2:\ \mathsf{The}\ \mathsf{hashmap}\ \mathsf{type},\ \mathsf{simplified}.$

 $\operatorname{Listing}$ 3: The hashmap module, with omissions.

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open demo.live

exit

trap

Carp is early stage software.

- ⇒ Small community, few packages
- ⇒ Insufficient documentation
- ⇒ May change under your feet
- ⇒ May blow up in your face!

We're approaching the first stable release (0.2)

Thank you!

Questions?