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U37HUSJ4R: is there an online tool where you can see the compiled JS elm creates?
U37HUSJ4R: something like <a href="https://lebab.io/try-it">https://lebab.io/try-it</a>
U4F64AKQV: <@U37HUSJ4R> Not that I know of, but I will usually compile with elm-make and then look at the JS
output in my text editor when I need to do that.
U0EUHKVGB: There was something that luke hadmade a while ago to do just that.
U0EUHKVGB: <@U37HUSJ4R> There is this documentation that I started writing to cover some of the info required:
<a href="https://github.com/eeue56/elm-ffi/tree/master/docs#elm-compiled-documentation">https://github.com/eeue56/elm-ffi/tree/master/docs#elm-compiled-documentation</a>
U3KSN5MAL: what was that library for checking an old model against the new model and discarding anything that
doesn't match?
U3KSN5MAL : oh, is it elm-validate?
U5Q42DDMJ: Is it possible to combine union types and extensible records?
U5Q42DDMJ: Here are my types:""
type alias Entity a =
  { a | uuid : String }
type ApiState a
  = Saved a
| Saving a Bool
U5Q42DDMJ: I can write something like that then: ```
type alias ApiEntity a =
ApiState (Entity a)
U5Q42DDMJ: but I get errors such as "Hint: Looks like a record is missing the 'uuid' field."
U3SJEDR96: I think that should work, yes
U3SJEDR96: <a href="https://ellie-app.com/3BzRvvyshnya1/0">https://ellie-app.com/3BzRvvyshnya1/0</a>
U5Q42DDMJ: yes it works but not in every case
U5Q42DDMJ: I'll try to reduce my problem to a simple example I can share
U3SJEDR96: In every case where you actually _have_ a uuid field, that should work. If you can share something that
doesn't, I'm sure we can help figure out what goes wrong :slightly smiling face:
U5Q42DDMJ: it's when I try to use type constructor like Saved on an Entity for instance
U5Q42DDMJ: bu yes I'm working on a small example
U0CLDU8UB: Maybe this is the problematic situation? <a href="https://ellie-app.com/3BzWtRXHTdJa1/0">https://ellie-app.com/3BzWtRXHTdJa1/0</a>
U5Q42DDMJ: Here it is:
U5Q42DDMJ: <a href="https://ellie-app.com/3BzX7Fs78m5a1/2">https://ellie-app.com/3BzX7Fs78m5a1/2</a>
U3SJEDR96: `fromList` can't work on `users`, since that's a `List User`, not `List (Entity User)`
U3SJEDR96: OH wait
U3SJEDR96: nevermind that
U5Q42DDMJ: yes but I thought that's what extensible records were for
U1B8JE3Q9: <@U5Q42DDMJ> I think the clue is in the error message: "The type annotation for userEntities says it is
List UserEntity
But the definition (shown above) is a:
List (ApiEntity { username : String }) ```
U1B8JE3Q9: Since the type variable in `Entity a` is a row type, your type alias should be `type alias UserEntity =
ApiEntity {username : String}`
U5Q42DDMJ: I'm not sure to get it
U5Q42DDMJ: Ideally I don't want to change my `User` type which contains an uuid already
U5Q42DDMJ: and so is an `Entity` no?
U1B8JE3Q9: `User == Entity { username: String }`
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U0CLDU8UB: The only problem you have is the annotation on fromList. Change it to `fromList: List a -&qt; List

(ApiState a)` and it compiles.

U0CLDU8UB: https://ellie-app.com/3BBdsVGkg6da1/0

U5Q42DDMJ : ok but that's weird

U5Q42DDMJ: the type shouldn't be constrained on `a`?