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U3SJEDR96: `<a href="http://Html.td/Html.td">\ [] &lt; | List.intersperse (Html.text ", ") [ Html.a [] [], ... ]`
U1G7E1P9S: thanks
U6DUP1WMA: Has anyone deployed an Elm app into an android WebView? I'm thinking about using elm to implement
a part of my android app that has to done with a WebView...
U0EUHKVGB: <@U6DUP1WMA> yes, I have
U0EUHKVGB: Works fine
U6DUP1WMA: cool, might give it a shot. Thanks
U6FK3K430: <@U6DUP1WMA> we are doing so now using React Native to wrap it.. works fine on Android
U6DUP1WMA: Wow that sounds dangerous, but I'm glad it's working fine for you. Will definitely try it out.
U1G7E1P9S: ``` let
                         roomNumber =
       if List.length (String.words room) > 1 then
         List.head (String.words room)
       else
         room
  in```
U1G7E1P9S: how do I get rid of `Maybe` type to just get s `String`?
U48AEBJQ3: <@U1G7E1P9S>
roomNumber =
  List.head (String.words room)
    |> Maybe.withDefault room
?
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U23SA861Y: yeah so rather than check first that it's possible to get the head, you should try to get the head and then deal with the fact that you couldn't

U48AEBJQ3: It might even make more sense to not use a default and actually handle the error case in a more intentional way.

U1G7E1P9S: Ah

U1G7E1P9S: In this case I find it awkward, because I'm only going to evaluate that branch if `String.words room` produces a list > 1, so of course there's a head

U1G7E1P9S: but that works much better, thanks

U23SA861Y: The compiler doesn't really have anyway of knowing the list length was just checked

U48AEBJQ3: If you know the list has values, you might try using a data structure which models a non-empty list as early as possible.

U2LAL86AY: I want to clarify something for my brain: simple_smile: - can you point out if i have some mistakes in the following statements? I'm interesteed in what happens to the app before the first message arrives: :simple_smile:

- 1. when the app first starts the first function called is init. Is not a real function more like a value but if it contains functions inside they get called.
- 2. update does not run until the first message arrives.
- 3. view is rendered using the model generated by init function.
- 4. what about subscriptions? it is safe to assume that the subscription function is called?? or will not be called until i receive the first message?

U23SA861Y: I believe it is called immediately after init generates your model

U23SA861Y: and then subsequently after each update

U23SA861Y: it is possible to write headless programs and without subscriptions being registered early the program would never start

U2LAL86AY::simple_smile: makes sense

U23SA861Y: I'm not actually sure if it's after "each" update or if the message queue is burned down and then it is called

U2LAL86AY: and i also want to know - do you believe it's possible to take elm code - and add debug.log calls in certain places? something like```

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myFunction x = x + 1
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transformed into:

myFunction x =
let
_ = Debug.log "argument x " x
in
x + 1
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It's for my debuggger - i'm trying to come up with ways of inspecting functions on the go.. Maybe not debug.log but Inspector.log or something that works similar with how Debug.log is implemented.

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U23SA861Y: you can add debug.log like that yes U2LAL86AY: no i mean doing that automatically. using the ast or something. U23SA861Y: you can do it there, or because the x is passed through you can also ``` myFunction x = Debug.log "argument x" x \mid \> ((+) 1)
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U2LAL86AY: hmm.. i need to do some research on that for sure. One more question. I can't wrap my head around this. When a function is partially applied: Say `add x y` is only applied with `add 5` -> this in principle means it has:

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add y = 5 + y
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IS there a way to see that `5`? I mean to see the values that are already passed in? Because `x` is known, is bound to the `add y` function, i would like to see it somehow. `Debugging.log` `add 5` gives back `<function>` -> not Debug.log - but do it in some other way - can it be actually possible to see that 5 there?

How function application is actually implemented? I'm still in researching phase now - so any hint is a good one - not looking for a full blown explanation - just some point were to start wrapping my head around this :simple smile:

U5X2ZRFDF: Sure, there's a way to see the 5. Just call `add 0` and you'll get `5`.

U5X2ZRFDF: I haven't seen the implementation code, but I'll bet function application in Elm is just implemented as function application in JavaScript.

U2LAL86AY: :smile: that's a nice trick: Smile: No i'm loking for a way to see inside partially applied functions in general. that only works will add 5 not with `Maybe.withDefault (SomeComplexDecoderwarped as maybe)`

U5X2ZRFDF: No, there's no way to do it in general. Closures are, well, closed.

U5X2ZRFDF: That is, function values