# Discussion 07 Functors

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  let v4 = map_refl config.refl v3 in
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  let v6 = inv_index v5 in
  map_plug config.plugboard v6
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## Key Concept

▶ Modules are to classes as functors are to **generic** classes

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- ► Another mechanism for code reuse

```
(** Represents a type with a equality relation. *)
module type Equatable = sig

  (** The type of equatable values. *)
  type t

  (** [eq a b] is [true] if [a = b] else [false]. *)
  val eq: t -> t -> bool
end
```

```
(** Represents a key-value mapping. *)
module type Map = sig
  type 'a t
  type key
  val empty: 'a t
  val add: key -> 'a -> 'a t -> 'a t
  val get: key -> 'a t -> 'a option
end
```

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- ► MakeList (Int) (see equal.ml) compares Int.t = int

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- Other map implementations
  - ► MakeFun functor