Introduction to Functors

Functors



We already know how to apply functions:

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λ> (+3) 2
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But...

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λ> (+3) (Just 2) ×
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In this case, we can use fmap!

And it also works with Either, lists, tuples and functions:

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\[ \lambda = \text{fmap (+3) (Right 2)} \\ \lambda = \text{Right 5} \\ \lambda = \text{Left "error"} \\
\lambda > \text{fmap (+3) [1, 2, 3]} \\ \dots = \text{[4, 5, 6]} \\ \dots = \text{same as map} \\
\lambda > \text{fmap (+3) (1, 6)} \\ \dots = \text{(1, 9)} \\ \dots = \text{because (,) is a type} \\
\lambda > \text{(fmap (*2) (+1)) 3} \\ \dots = \text{8} \\
\end{array}
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