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fun append (xs,ys) =  
  if xs=[]  
  then ys  
  else (hd xs)::append(tl xs,ys)  
  
fun map (f,xs) =  
  case xs of  
    [] => []  
  | x::xs' => (f x)::(map(f,xs'))  
  
val a = map (increment, [4,8,12,16])  
val b = map (hd, [[8,6],[7,5],[3,0,9]])
```

Programming Languages

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OOP vs. Functional Decomposition

Breaking things down

- In functional (and procedural) programming, break programs down into *functions that perform some operation*
- In object-oriented programming, break programs down into *classes that give behavior to some kind of data*

Beginning of this unit:

- These two forms of *decomposition* are *so exactly opposite* that they are two ways of looking at the same “matrix”
- Which form is “better” is somewhat personal taste, but also depends on *how you expect to change/extend software*
- For some operations over two (multiple) arguments, functions and pattern-matching are straightforward, but with OOP we can do it with *double dispatch* (multiple dispatch)

The expression example

Well-known and compelling example of a common *pattern*:

- Expressions for a small language
- Different variants of expressions: ints, additions, negations, ...
- Different operations to perform: **eval**, **toString**, **hasZero**, ...

Leads to a matrix (2D-grid) of variants and operations

- Implementation will involve deciding what “should happen” for each entry in the grid *regardless of the PL*

	eval	toString	hasZero	...
Int				
Add				
Negate				
...				

Standard approach in ML

	<code>eval</code>	<code>toString</code>	<code>hasZero</code>	...
<code>Int</code>				
<code>Add</code>				
<code>Negate</code>				
...				

- Define a *datatype*, with one *constructor* for each variant
 - (No need to indicate datatypes if dynamically typed)
- “Fill out the grid” via **one function per column**
 - Each function has one branch for each column entry
 - Can combine cases (e.g., with wildcard patterns) if multiple entries in column are the same

[See the ML code]

Standard approach in OOP

	<code>eval</code>	<code>toString</code>	<code>hasZero</code>	...
<code>Int</code>				
<code>Add</code>				
<code>Negate</code>				
...				

- Define a *class*, with one *abstract method* for each operation
 - (No need to indicate abstract methods if dynamically typed)
- Define a *subclass* for each variant
- So “fill out the grid” via **one class per row** with one method implementation for each grid position
 - Can use a method in the superclass if there is a default for multiple entries in a column

[See the Ruby code] [*Optional*: See the Java code]

A big course punchline

	eval	toString	hasZero	...
Int				
Add				
Negate				
...				

- FP and OOP often doing the same thing in *exact* opposite way
 - Organize the program “by rows” or “by columns”
- Which is “most natural” may depend on what you are doing (e.g., an interpreter vs. a GUI) or personal taste
- Code layout is important, but there is no perfect way since software has many dimensions of structure
 - Tools, IDEs can help with multiple “views” (e.g., rows / columns)