Applicative Methods (3B)

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The definition of Applicative

```
class (Functor f) => Applicative f where
  pure :: a -> f a
  (<*>) :: f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

f (a -> b) :: a function wrapped in f
f a :: a value wrapped in f

The class has a two methods:

pure brings arbitrary values into the functor

(<*>) takes a function wrapped in a functor f and a value wrapped in a functor f and returns the result of the application which is also wrapped in a functor f

The Maybe instance of Applicative

```
instance Applicative Maybe where

pure = Just

(Just f) <*> (Just x) = Just (f x)

_ <*> _ = Nothing
```

```
pure wraps the value with Just;
```

```
(<*>) applies
the <u>function</u> wrapped in <u>Just</u>
to the <u>value</u> wrapped in <u>Just</u> if both exist,
and results in <u>Nothing</u> otherwise.
```

An Instance of the Applicative Typeclass

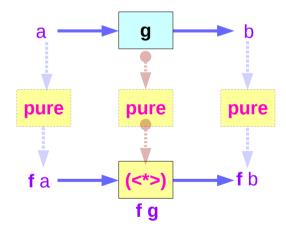
f : Functor, Applicative

pure f a

(Functor f) => Applicative f

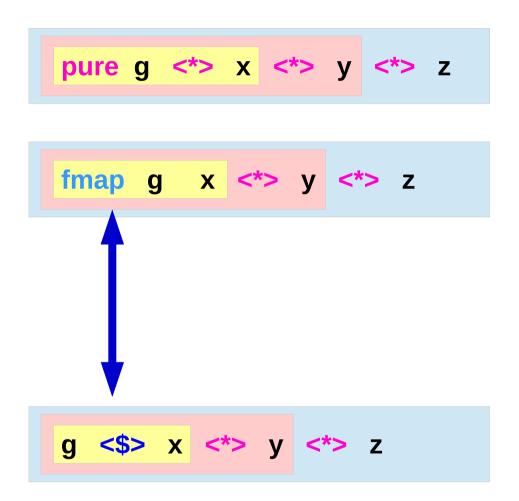
instance Applicative Maybe where pure = Just Nothing <*> _ = Nothing (Just <u>f</u>) <*> something = fmap <u>f</u> something

 $\underline{\mathbf{f}}$: function in a context



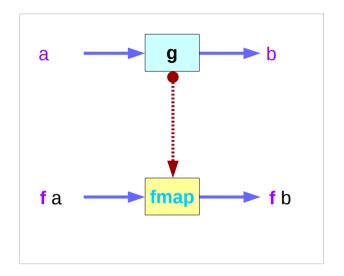
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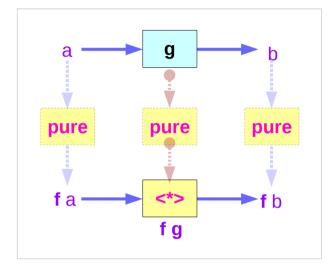
Left associative <*>, fmap, and <\$>



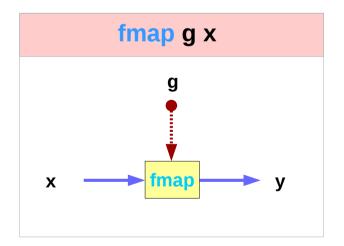
infix operator <\$>

fmap g x = (pure g) <*> x

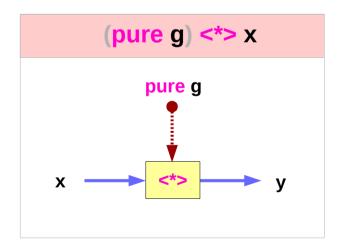




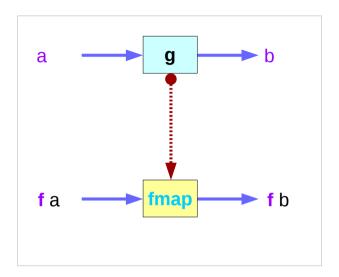
pure = f

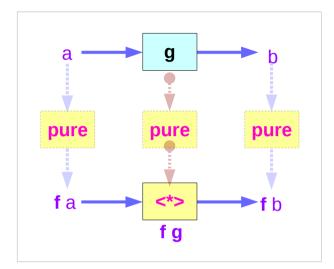


x :: f a y :: f b

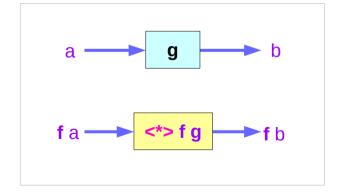


fa <*> fg





pure = f



Left associative <*> examples

Infix Operators <*> vs <\$> - overview



h :: f (a -> b -> c) x :: f a

y :: **f** b

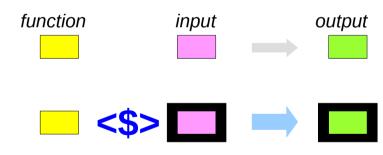




g :: (a -> b -> c)

x :: f a

y :: **f** b



Infix Operators <*> vs <\$> - a type view

h <*> x <*> y

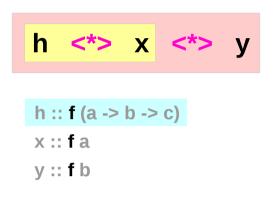
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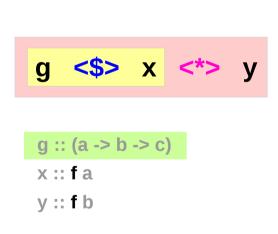
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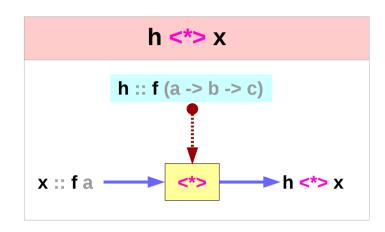
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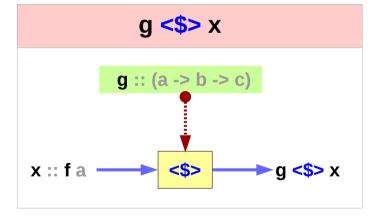
h :: f (a -> b -> c) x :: f a h <*> x :: f (b -> c) y :: f b h <*> x <*> y :: f c

Infix Operators <*> vs <\$> - a curried function view





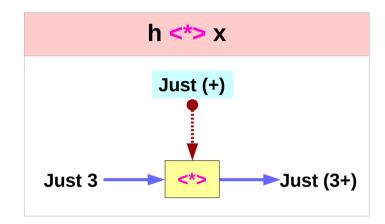




Infix Operators <*> vs <\$> examples

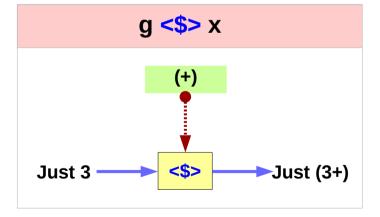


Just (+) <*> Just 3 <*> Just 2 Just (+3) <*> Just 2 Just 5





(+) <\$> Just 3 <*> Just 2 Just (+3) <*> Just 2 Just 5



the minimal complete definition

```
class (Functor f) => Applicative f where
  pure :: a -> f a
  (<*>) :: f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
```

the minimal complete definition

```
(<$>) :: (Functor f) => (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
g <$> x = fmap g x
```

Not in the minimal complete definition

```
instance Applicative Maybe where
pure = Just
Nothing <*> _ = Nothing
(Just g) <*> something = fmap g something
```

The Applicative Typeclass

```
Applicative is a <u>superclass</u> of Monad.
every Monad is also a Functor and an Applicative fmap, pure, (<*>) can all be used with monads.
```

a Monad instance

requires **Functor** and **Applicative** instances. defines the types and roles of **return** and (>>)

fmap: defined in Functors

pure, (<*>): defined in Applicatives

return, (>>): defined in Monads



(<\$>) infix operator

```
(<$>) :: (Functor f) => (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
g <$> x = fmap g x
```

The \$ operator is for avoiding parentheses

```
putStrLn (show (1 + 1))
putStrLn $ show (1 + 1)
putStrLn $ show $ 1 + 1 — right associative
```

(\$) calls the <u>function</u> which is its left-hand argument of \$ on the <u>value</u> which is its right-hand argument of \$

The Applicative Laws

The identity law: **pure** id <*> v = v

id :: a -> a v :: f a

Homomorphism:

pure g < > pure x = pure (g x)

q :: a -> b

x :: a

Interchange:

u <*> pure y = pure (\$ y) <*> u

u :: f (a -> b)

y :: a

Composition:

Left associative

u <*> v <*> w = (u <*> v) <*> w

u :: f (c -> b -> a)

v :: f c

u < > v :: f (b -> a)

w :: f b

u < > v < > w = fa

The Identity Law

The identity law

pure id <*> v = v

pure to inject values into the functor in a default, featureless way, so that the result is as close as possible to the <u>plain</u> value.

applying the pure id morphism does nothing, exactly like with the plain **id** function.

The Homomorphism Law

The homomorphism law

pure g < > pure x = pure (g x)

g :: a -> b

x :: a

applying a "pure" <u>function</u> to a "pure" <u>value</u> is the same as applying the <u>function</u> to the <u>value</u> in the <u>ordinary way</u> and then using **pure** on the result.

means **pure** <u>preserves</u> function application.

applying a non-effectful function g

to a <u>non-effectful</u> argument **x** in an <u>effectful</u> <u>context</u> <u>pure</u> is the same as just **applying** the function **g** to the argument **x** and then injecting the result **(f x)** into the <u>effectual</u> <u>context</u> with <u>pure</u>.

The Interchange Law

The interchange law

u :: f (a -> b) y :: a

(\$ y) is the function that supplies yas argument to another functiona higher order function

Function \$ Argument \$ y(**y**) as a single argument

applying a <u>morphism</u> **u** to a <u>"pure" value</u> <u>pure</u> **y** is the same as applying <u>pure</u> (\$ **y**) to the <u>morphism</u> **u**

Just (+3) <*> Just 2 Just (\$ 2) <*> Just (+3)

when evaluating the application of an <u>effectful function</u> (**u**) to a <u>pure argument</u> (<u>pure y</u>), the <u>order doesn't matter</u> – commutative.

The Composition Law

The composition law pure (.) <*> u <*> v <*> w = u <*> (v <*> w) <math>w :: fa v :: f(a -> b) u :: f(b -> c)

pure (.) <u>composes</u> morphisms similarly to how (.) <u>composes</u> functions:

applying the <u>composed</u> mourphism

pure (.) <*> u <*> v to w
gives the same result (u <*> (v <*> w))
as applying u to the result (v <*> w)
of applying v to w

it is expressing a sort of <u>associativity</u> property of (<*>).

w :: f a -- value v :: f (a -> b) -- func1 u : f (b -> c) -- func2

```
v <*> w :: f b
u <*> (v <*> w) :: f c
```

```
pure (.) <*> u <*> v :: f (a -> c )
pure (.) <*> u <*> v <*> w :: f c
```

The Composition Law and Left Associativity

```
The composition law
                             pure (.) <*> u <*> v <*> w = u <*> (v <*> w)
                                                                              w :: fa v :: f(a -> b) u :: f(b -> c)
                                                                             f(b \rightarrow c)
                                                                                              f (a -> b)
                                                                                                 pure h
                                                                               pure g
pure (.) <*> pure g <*> pure h <*> pure x
                                                     (g.h) x
                                                                                       pure (.)
((pure (.) <*> pure q) <*> pure h) <*> pure x
                                                                                      f(a \rightarrow c)
= pure q <*> (pure h <*> pure x)
                                                     g (h x)
                                                                              u = pure g :: f (b -> c) g :: (b -> c)
                                                                              v = pure h :: f (a -> b) h :: (a -> b)
                                                                              w = pure x :: f a
                                                                                                          x :: a
Left associative
                       u <*> v <*> w = (u <*> v) <*> w
                                                                             u :: f(c -> b -> a) v :: fc w :: fb
                                                                             u :: f (c -> b -> a)
                                                                             v :: f c
                                                                             u < > v :: f (b -> a)
                                                                             w :: f b
                                                                             u < > v < > w = f a
  https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Haskell/Applicative functors
```

liftA2

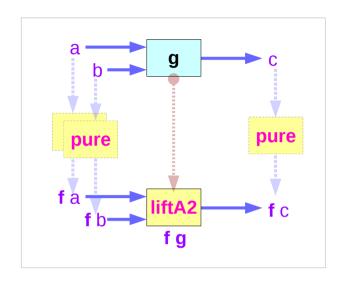
liftA2 :: (a -> b -> c) -> f a -> f b -> f c

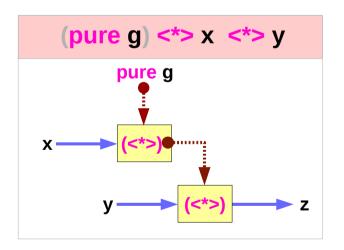
<u>lift</u> a <u>binary</u> <u>function</u> (**a->b->c**) to actions.

Some functors support an implementation of **liftA2** that is more efficient than the default one.

liftA2 may have an <u>efficient</u> implementation whereas **fmap** is an <u>expensive</u> operation,

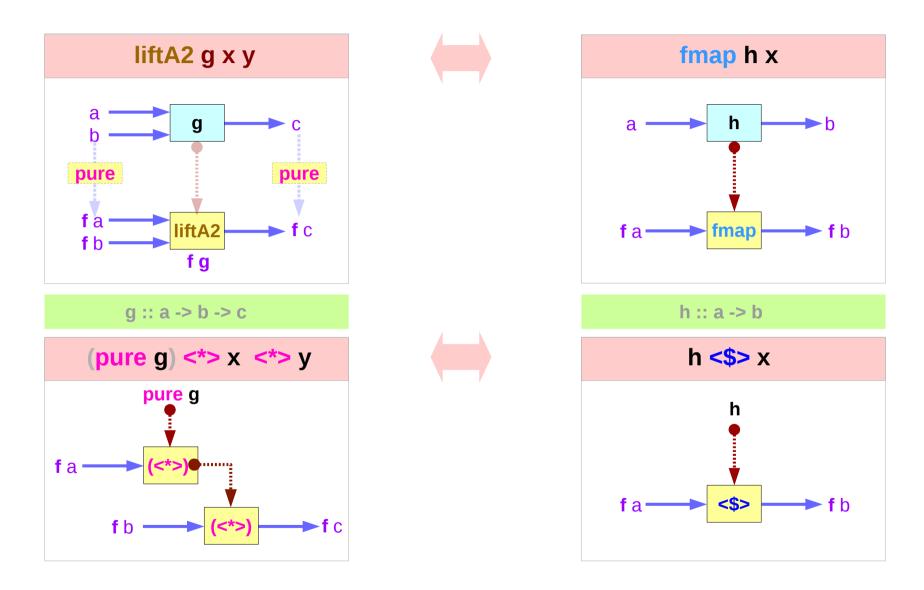
sometimes better to use **liftA2** than to use **fmap** over the structure and then use <*>.



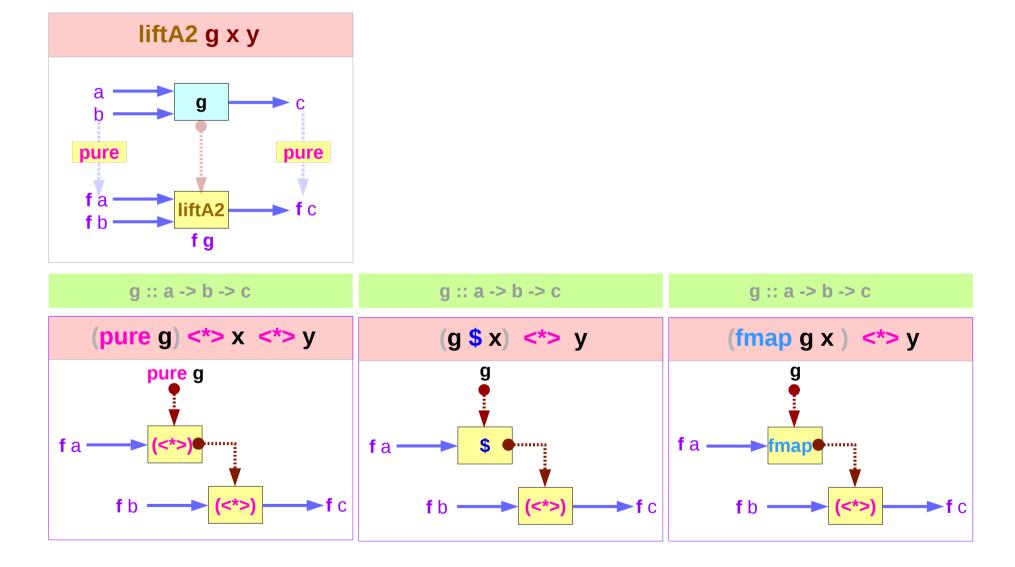


http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/Control-Applicative.html#v:liftA2

liftA2, <*>, fmap, <\$>



pure g <*> x <*> y equivalent



liftA2

```
liftA2 g x y
liftA2 :: (a -> b -> c) -> f a -> f b -> f c
g:: a -> b -> c
x :: f a
y :: f b
liftA2 g x y :: f c
pure g <*> x <*> y
g:: a -> b -> c
x :: f a
y :: f b
z :: f c
pure g <*> x <*> y :: f c
```

liftA2 g x y g pure pure liftA2 f g g :: a -> b -> c (pure g) <*> x <*> y pure g

https://wiki.haskell.org/Applicative functor

Limitations of Functors

```
(a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (f a \rightarrow f b \rightarrow f c) – let fmap2 Functor as an extension of fmap
fmap :: (a -> b) -> (f a -> f b)
fmap2 :: Functor f => (a -> b -> c) -> (f a -> f b -> f c)
fmap2 h fa fb = undefined
h :: a -> b -> c
fa :: f a
fb :: f b
h
        :: a -> (b -> c)
fmap h :: fa \rightarrow f(b \rightarrow c)
fmap h fa :: f(b \rightarrow c) — now f(b \rightarrow c) must be applied to f(b)
fmap gives us a way to <u>apply</u> functions (\mathbf{a} \rightarrow \mathbf{b}) to <u>values</u> (\mathbf{f} \mathbf{a}) inside a <u>Functor</u> context,
but fmap cannot be used to apply a functions f (b -> c)
```

which are themselves in a Functor context to values **f b** in a Functor context.

http://www.openhaskell.com/lectures/applicative.html

pure, fmap, and liftA2

```
class Functor f => Applicative f where
 pure :: a -> f a
 (<*>) :: f (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
pure
      :: a -> f a
                                                  - fmap0 → pure
fmap :: (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
                                         – fmap1 → fmap
fmap2 :: (a -> b -> c) -> fa -> fb -> fc
                                          – fmap2 → liftA2
liftA2 :: Applicative f => (a -> b -> c) -> f a -> f b -> f c
liftA2 h fa fb = (h `fmap` fa) <*> fb
liftA2 h fa fb = h < $> fa <*> fb
(<$>) :: Functor f => (a -> b) -> f a -> f b
(<$>) = fmap
liftA2 :: Applicative f => (a -> b -> c -> d) -> f a -> f b -> f c -> f d
liftA3 h fa fb fc = ((h <$> fa) <*> fb) <*> fc
```

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liftA2 examples

```
liftA2 :: Applicative f => (a -> b -> c) -> f a -> f b -> f c
```

<*> or liftA2 implementations

liftA2 :: (a -> b -> c) -> f a -> f b -> f c

A minimal complete definition:

either one of the two

- 1) pure and <*>
- 2) pure and liftA2

If it defines <u>both</u>, then they must behave the same as their default definitions:

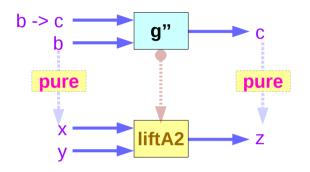
2) liftA2 g x y

(<*>) = liftA2 id

liftA2 id
$$x y = id < x < y = x < y = x < y$$

liftA2 id
$$x y = x <*> y$$



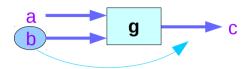


liftA2 g x y = g < $x < y$	g :: a -> b -> c	x :: f a y :: f b
liftA2 g" x y = g" <\$> x <*> y	g" :: (b -> c) -> b -> c	x :: f (b -> c) y :: f b
liftA2 id x y = id $<$ x $<$ y = x $<$ y	id :: (b -> c) -> (b -> c)	x :: f (b -> c) y :: f b

(<*>) = liftA2 id

http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/Control-Applicative.html#v:liftA2

g":: (b->c) -> b->c



view the function as having one input only

consider the case

when
$$\mathbf{a}$$
 is $(\mathbf{b} \rightarrow \mathbf{c})$

id ::
$$(b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)$$

Then \mathbf{g} " is the same as \mathbf{id}

$$g" :: (b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)$$

Results and effects in a scope

Actually, using the **liftA** commands

we can pull <u>results</u> of applicative functors

into a scope where we can talk

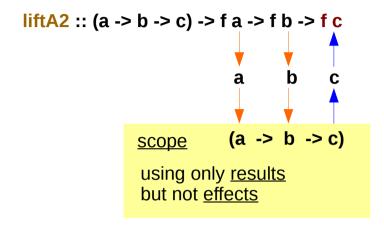
exclusively about <u>functor</u> <u>results</u>

and not about effects. **f c**

Note that <u>functor results</u> can also be <u>functions</u>. **c**

This scope is simply a function,

which contains the code that we used in the non-functorial setting.



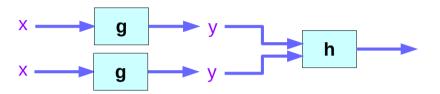
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liftA3 – a non-functorial expression

Consider the non-functorial expression:

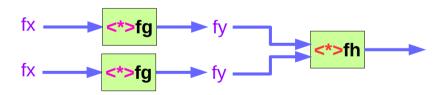
x :: x g :: x -> y h :: y -> y -> z let y = g x



generalization

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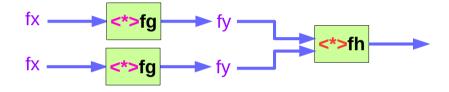
fx :: f x fg :: f (x -> y) fh :: f (y -> y -> z)



https://wiki.haskell.org/Applicative_functor

liftA3 – using <*> only

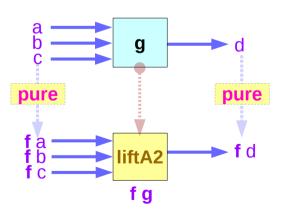
if **fy** writes something to the terminal then **fh** <*> **fy** <*> **fy** writes twice.



this runs the effect of fy twice.

How the <u>effect</u> is run only <u>once</u> and the <u>result</u> is used <u>twice</u>?

→ utilize liftA3



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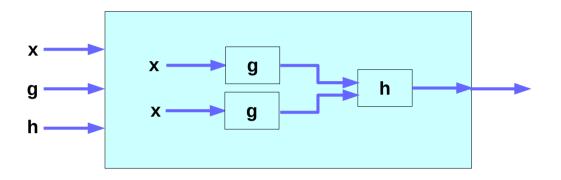
liftA3 – using three input function

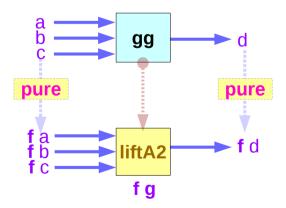
liftA3 :: Applicative f => (a -> b -> c -> d) -> f a -> f b -> f c -> f dliftA3 h fa fb fc = ((h <\$> fa) <*> fb) <*> fc

liftA3

$$(x g h \rightarrow let y = g x in h y y)$$

fx fg fh





http://hackage.haskell.org/package/base-4.10.1.0/docs/Control-Applicative.html#v:liftA2

liftA3 – effects, results and scopes

Actually, using the **liftA** commands

we can pull <u>results</u> of applicative functors **y** from **fy**

into a scope where we can talk $y \rightarrow y \rightarrow z$

exclusively about <u>functor results</u> **y**

and not about <u>effects</u>. **fy**

Note that <u>functor results</u> can also be <u>functions</u>. **y**

This scope is simply a function, $y \rightarrow y \rightarrow z$

which contains the code that we used in the non-functorial setting.

liftA3

```
(x g h \rightarrow let y = g x in h y y)
fx fg fh
```

The order of effects is entirely determined by the order of arguments to liftA3

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liftA2 (<*>)

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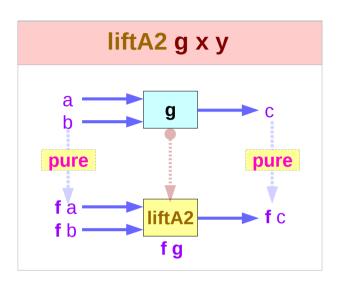
The wiki article says that **liftA2** (<*>) can be used to <u>compose applicative functors</u>. It's easy to see how to use it from its type:

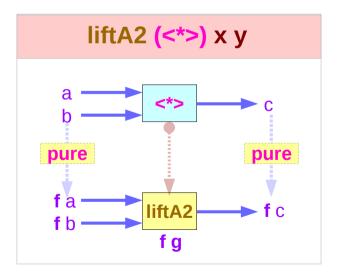
```
o :: (Applicative f, Applicative f1) =>
f (f1 (a -> b)) -> f (f1 a) -> f (f1 b)
o = liftA2 (<*>)
```

liftA2 (<*>) for composite applicative functors

```
o :: (Applicative f, Applicative f1) =>
    f (f1 (a -> b)) -> f (f1 a) -> f (f1 b)
o = liftA2 (<*>)
f1 (a -> b) <*> f1 a <*> f1 b
```

liftA2 (<*>) can be used to compose applicative functors.





liftA2 (<*>) Examples (1)

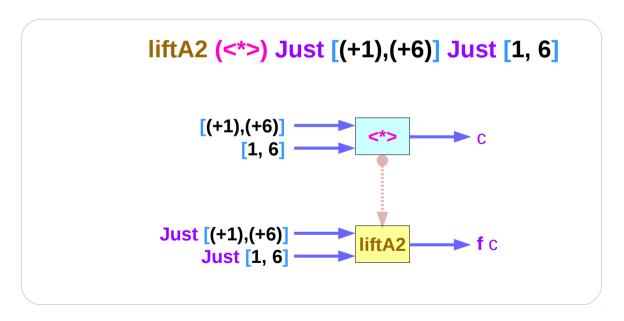
if **f** is **Maybe** and **f1** is [] we get:

Just [(+1),(+6)] `o` Just [1, 6] Just [2,7,7,12]

liftA2 (<*>) Just [(+1),(+6)] Just [1, 6] Just ([(+1),(+6)] <*> [1, 6]) Just [2, 7, 7, 12])

(+1) [1, 6]

(+6) [1, 6]



liftA2 (<*>) Examples (2)

```
[Just (+1),Just (+6)] `o` [Just 1, Just 6]

[Just (+1),Just (+6)] `o` [Just 1, Just 6]

[Just 2, Just 7, Just 7, Just 12]

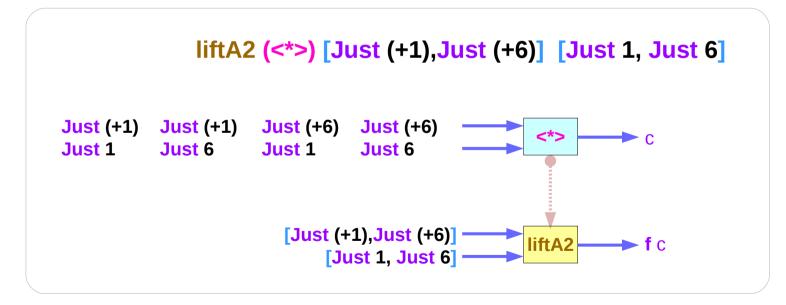
[Just (+1) [Just 1, Just 6]

[Just (+6) [Just 1, Just 6]

[Just (+1) <*> Just (+6) [Just 1, Just 6]

[Just (+1) <*> Just 1, Just (+1) <*> Just 6, Just (+6) <*> Just 1, Just (+6) <*> Just 6]

[Just 2, Just 7, Just 7, Just 12]
```



liftA2 (:)

```
liftA2 (:) "abc" ["pqr", "xyz"]
["apqr", "axyz", "bpqr", "bxyz", "cpqr", "cxyz"]
```

```
liftA2 (:) "abc" ["pqr", "xyz"]

"a" "a" "b" "b" "c" "c" "c" "pqr" "xyz" "pqr" "xyz" "pqr" "xyz" | liftA2 | f c
```

liftA2 (:)

```
(liftA2 . liftA2) (:) (Just "abc") (Just ["pqr", "xyz"])

Just ["apqr", "axyz", "bpqr", "bxyz", "cpqr", "cxyz"]
```

```
(liftA2 . liftA2) (:) "abc" ["pqr", "xyz"]
"xyz" "pqr" "xyz" "pqr"
            ["pqr", "xyz"]
        Just ["pqr", "xyz"]
```

related operators

Functor map <\$>

- (<\$>) :: Functor f => (a -> b) -> fa -> fb
- (<\$) :: Functor f => a -> fb -> fa
- (\$>) :: Functor f => f a -> b -> f b

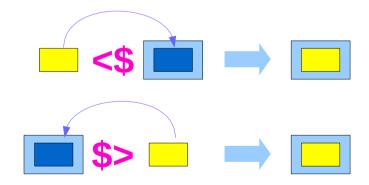
The operator is just a synonym
for the fmap function in the Functor typeclass.

fmap generalizes map for lists

to other data types: Maybe, IO, Map.

replace b in f b with a ... f a replace a in f a with b ... f b

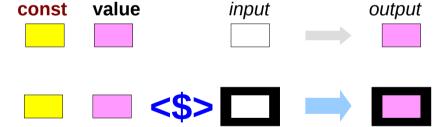
Replacing the core



<\$, <\$>, \$> operators

there are two additional operators provided which <u>replace</u> a **value** inside a Functor instead of applying a function.

This can be both more convenient in some cases, as well as for some Functors be more efficient.



<\$, <\$>, \$> operators examples

import Data.Functor

Prelude> Just 1 \$> 2

Just 2

Prelude> Just 2 \$> 1

Just 1

Prelude> 1 <\$ Just 3

Just 1

Prelude> 3 <\$ Just 1

Just 3

Prelude> 1 <\$ Just 3

Just 1

Prelude> 3 <\$ Just 1

Just 3

import Data.Functor

Prelude> (+1) <\$> Just 2

Just 3

Prelude> (+1) <\$> Just 3

Just 4

Prelude> (+1) <\$> Nothing

Nothing

Prelude> const 2 <\$> Just 111

Just 2

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<\$> examples

```
#!/usr/bin/env stack
-- stack --resolver ghc-7.10.3 runghc
import Data.Monoid ((<>))

main :: IO ()
main = do
    putStrLn "Enter your year of birth"
    year <- read <$> getLine
    let age :: Int
        age = 2020 - year
    putStrLn $ "Age in 2020: " <> show age
```

```
getLine :: IO String
```

Input: read "12"::Double

Output: 12.0

-- this infix synonym for mappend is found in Data. Monoid

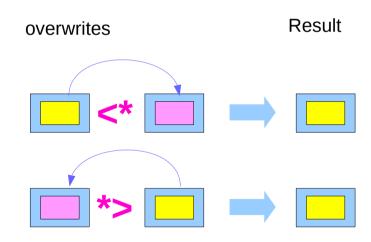
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x > y = mappend x y infixr 6 <>
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<*> related operators

Applicative function application <*>

- (<*>) :: Applicative f => f(a -> b) -> fa -> fb
- (*>) :: Applicative f => f a -> f b -> f b
- (<*) :: Applicative f => f a -> f b -> f a

- is an operator that <u>applies</u>
 - a wrapped function to a wrapped value.
- is a part of the Applicative typeclass,
- is very often used as follows

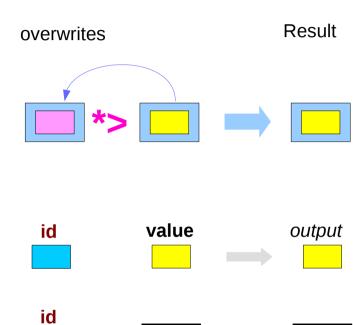


*> operator

two helper operators

*> <u>ignores</u> the <u>value</u> from the first argument.

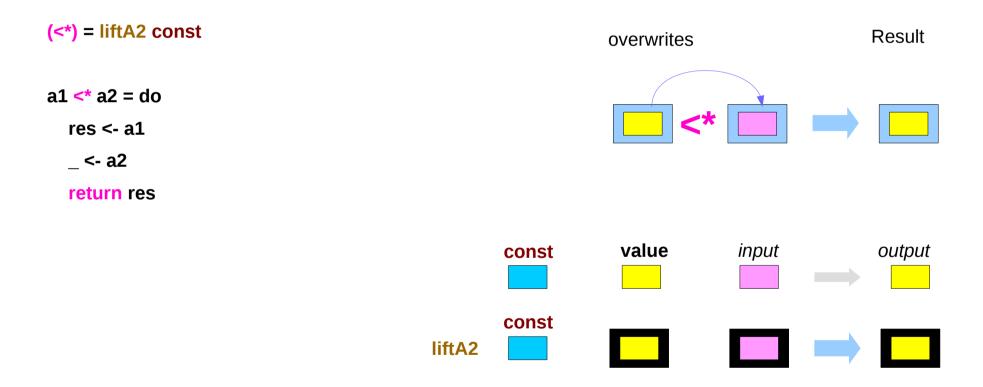
*> is completely equivalent to >> in Monad



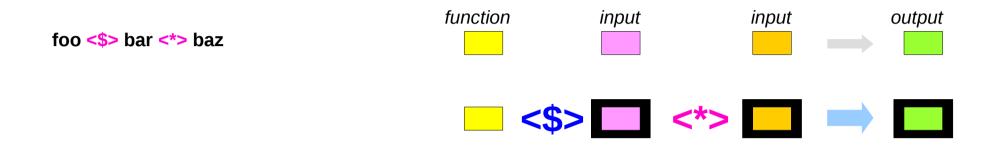


<* operator

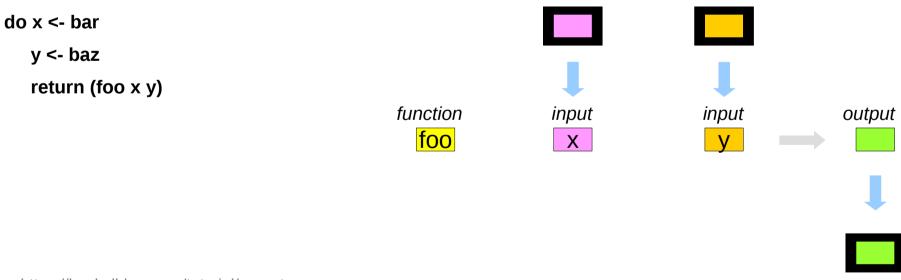
* is the same thing in reverse: <u>perform</u> the <u>first action</u> then the <u>second</u>, but only <u>take</u> the <u>value</u> from the <u>first</u> action.







For cases when you're dealing with a Monad, this is equivalent to:





Other common examples including parsers and serialization libraries.

Here's an example you might see using the **aeson** package: (handling JSON data)

data Person = Person { name :: Text, age :: Int } deriving Show

-- We expect a JSON object, so we fail at any non-Object value.

instance FromJSON Person where

parseJSON (Object v) = Person <\$> v .: "name" <*> v .: "age"
parseJSON _ = empty

(*> v.s. >>) and (pure v.s. return)

```
(*>) :: Applicative f \Rightarrow fa \Rightarrow fb \Rightarrow fb
```

$$(>>) :: Monad m => m a -> m b -> m b$$

pure :: Applicative f => a -> f a

return :: Monad m => a -> m a

the constraint changes from **Applicative** to **Monad**.

(*>) in Applicative (>>) in Monad

pure in Applicative return in Monad

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