

Functional programming and Curry Cooking in JS

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Into the frying pan

A vibrant collage of Indonesian spices. In the foreground, there are several bright red chili peppers on the left. To their right is a large piece of ginger with its characteristic knobby texture. Below the ginger, there are several whole garlic bulbs. Scattered throughout are various green bay leaves. In the bottom right corner, there is a pile of white granulated salt. The background is a dark, rich brown, possibly a spice blend or a piece of wood. A large, solid green rectangular box is centered over the image, containing the text "Delicious! Programming!" in white, bold, sans-serif font.

Delicious! Programming!

http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Spices_for_Indonesian_food.jpg

A photograph of a wooden spice rack filled with numerous jars and bags of spices. The spices are disorganized, with some jars tipped over and others stacked haphazardly. Visible labels include 'OREGANO', 'Coriander', 'McCormick Chili Powder', 'Schilling's WHOLE ALLSPICE', and 'MINI'. A green rectangular box is superimposed over the center of the image, containing the text 'What a mess' in a large, bold, black font.

What a mess

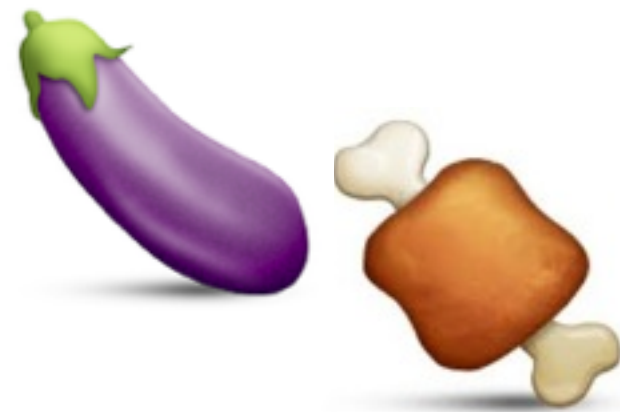
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```
var spices = [ 'cinnamon',  
  'cumin',  
  'cilantro',  
  'clove',  
  'cardamom',  
  'black pepper',  
  'chili',  
  'ginger or ginger paste',  
  'Garam Masala',  
  'turmeric' ];
```



```
var base = [ 'onions',  
  'yoghurt',  
  'coconut milk' ];
```



```
var ingredients = [ 'chicken',  
  'lamb',  
  'cauliflower und potato',  
  'paneer',  
  'aubergine' ];
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coconut milk

onions

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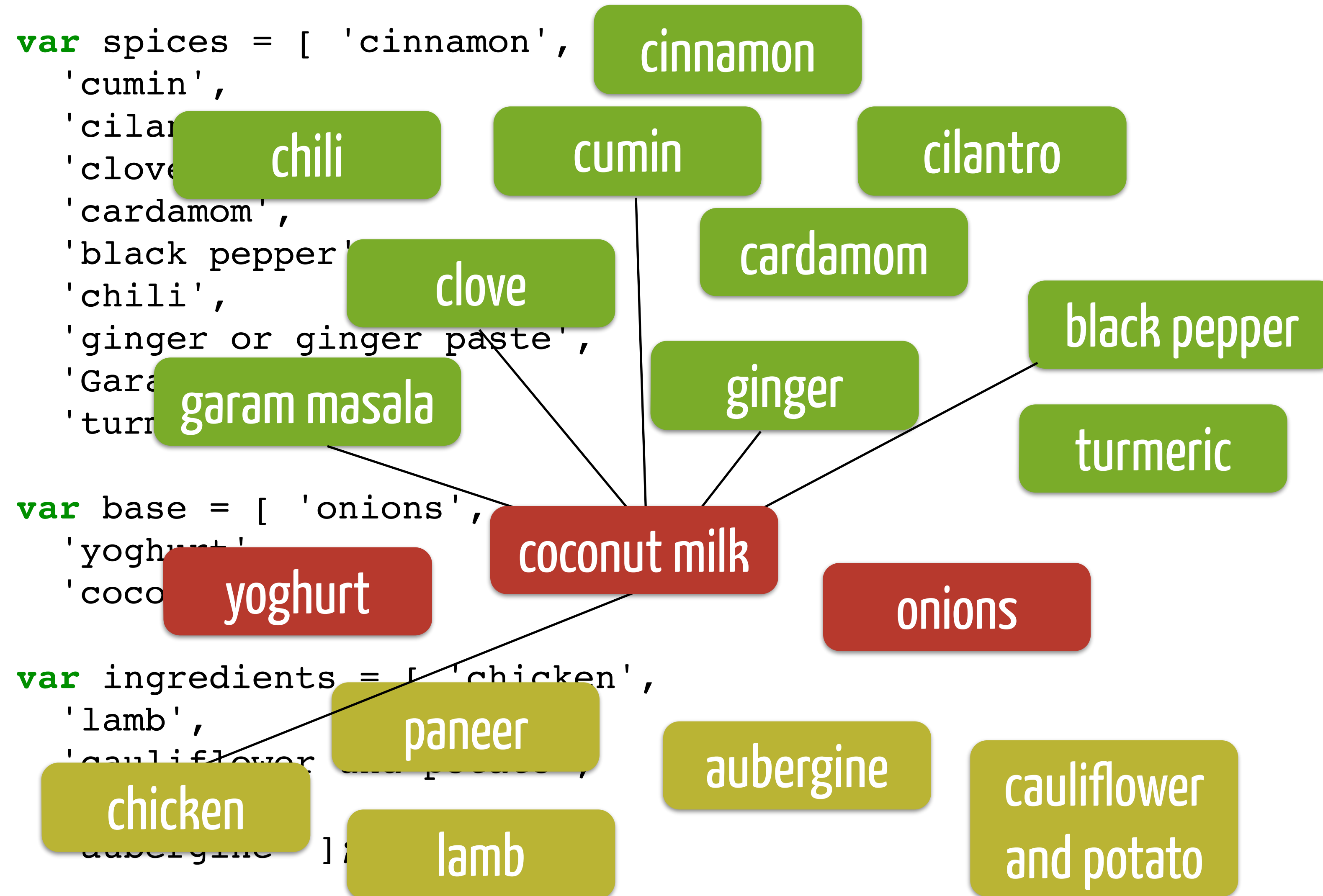
paneer

chicken

aubergine

lamb

cauliflower
and potato



```
function shuffle(array) {  
    // do the Fisher-Yates shuffle on the array  
    // ...  
    return array;  
}  
  
function pick(n, array) {  
    return shuffle(array).slice(0, n);  
}  
  
function printItem(i) {  
    console.log('*', i);  
}  
  
// we can now:  
// pick(5, spices).map(printItem);
```

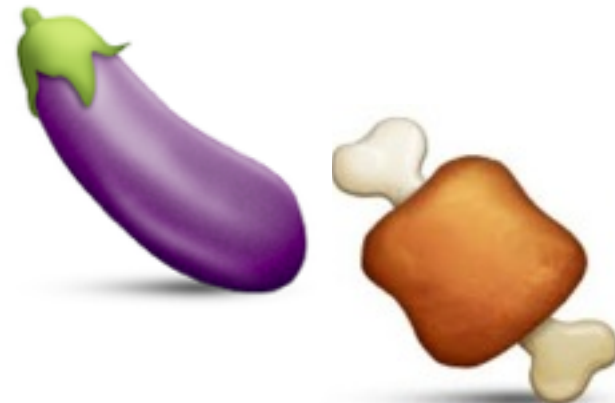
```
function printRecipe() {
```



```
  console.log('Curry will be based on:\n');  
  pick(1, base).map(printItem);
```



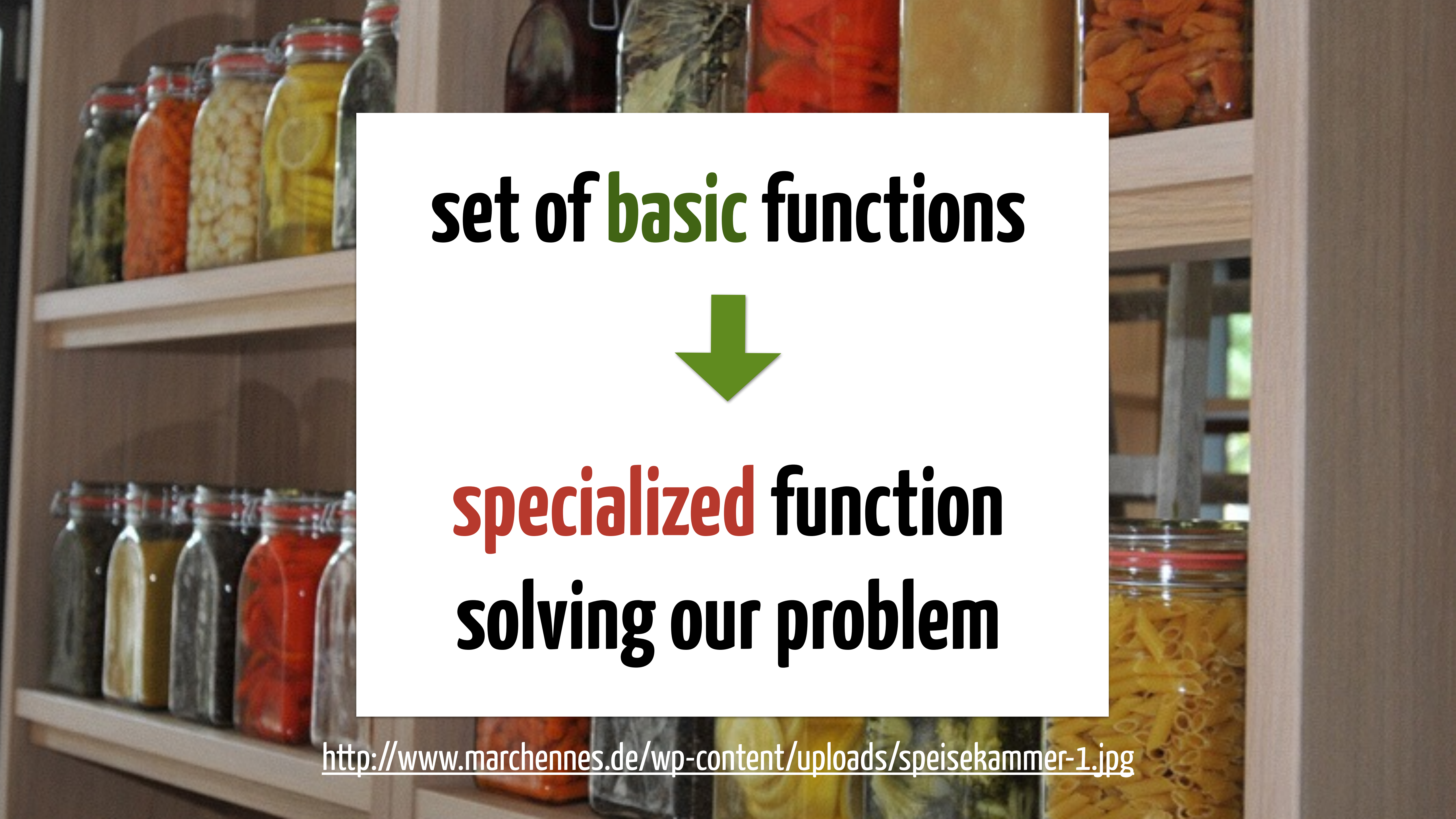
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  console.log('Spices to roast:\n');  
  pick(5, spices).map(printItem);
```



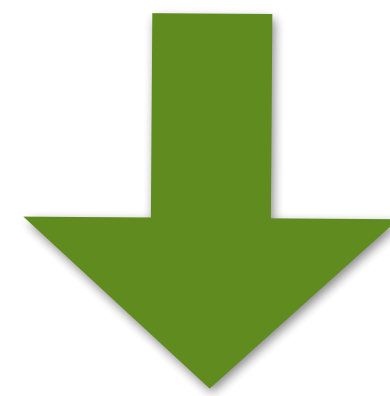
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  console.log('Main ingredient:\n');  
  pick(1, ingredients).map(printItem);
```

```
  console.log('Fry main ingredient on high heat,',  
    'add spices and base and let it stew\n');  
  console.log('Enjoy!');
```

```
}
```



set of **basic** functions



specialized function
solving our problem

<http://www.marchennes.de/wp-content/uploads/speisekammer-1.jpg>



recipe captures:
input



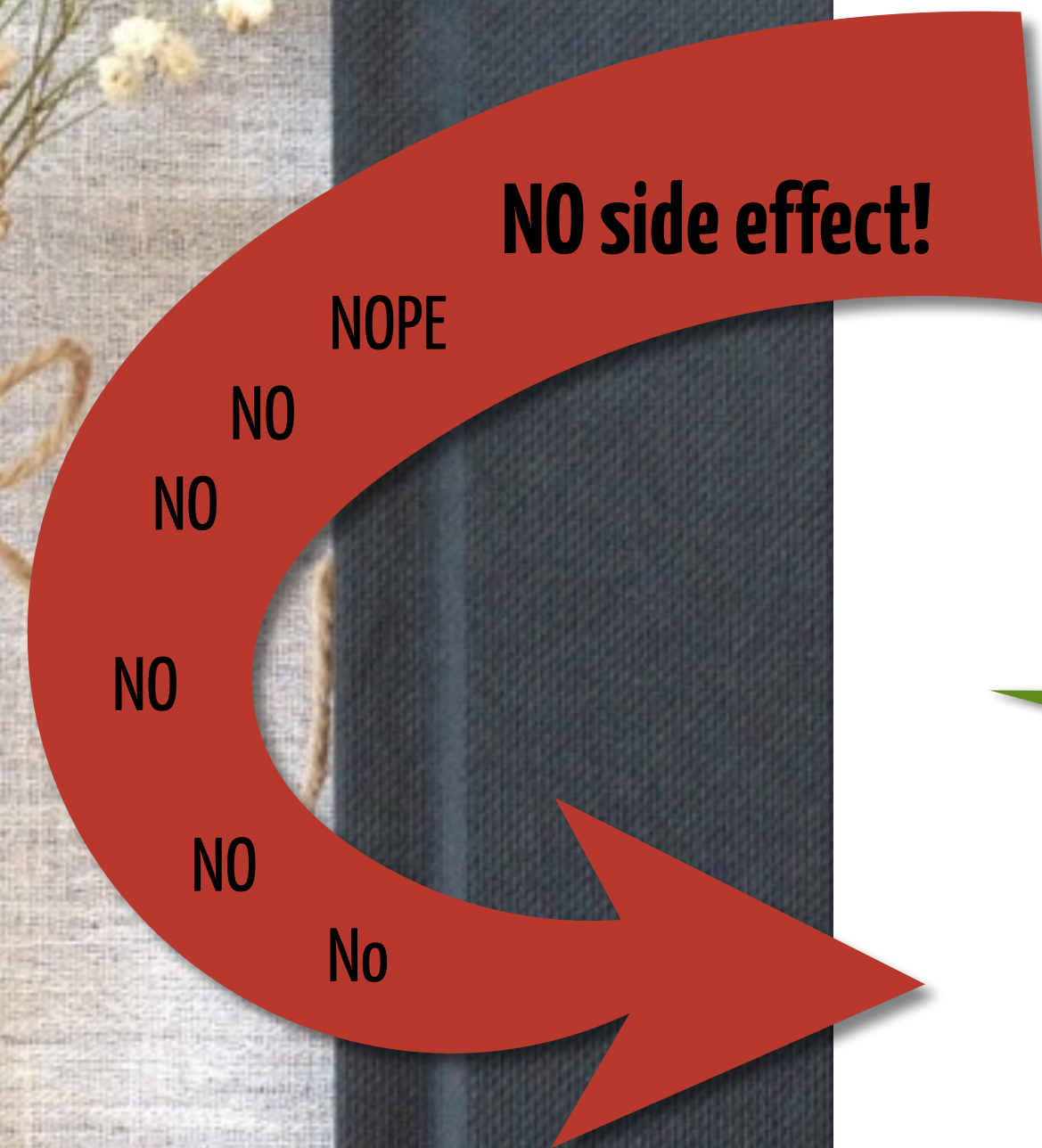
output



**recipe captures:
input**



output





**function captures:
input**



output

I. Abstraction

“The art of programming is the **art of organizing complexity**, of mastering multitude and avoiding its bastard chaos

We all know that the **only mental tool** by means of which a very finite piece of reasoning can cover a myriad cases is called **abstraction**”

–E. W. Dijkstra

**how can we use
abstraction?**

a **variable** abstracts from a **value**

```
var veggies = [ 'chickpea',  
                'potato',  
                'cauliflower' ];
```

a **function** abstracts from a sequence
of **statements**

```
function roastSpices () {  
    console.log('pick spices');  
    console.log('use mortar');  
    console.log('fry in pan');  
}
```

a ???

abstracts from a **function**

a higher order function

abstracts from a function

```
spices.sort(sort_by('name'));  
spices.sort(sort_by('color'));  
spices.sort(sort_by('quantity'));  
spices.sort(sort_by('compound'));
```

a module

provides a set of functions

levels of detail

Module

HigherOrderFunction

Function

Variable

building

blocks

II. Functions

how is this
different?

Program

Module

HigherOrderFunction

Function

Block

Statement

Variable

Program

Module

HigherOrderFunction

Function

Block

Statement

Variable

Program

Module

HigherOrderFunction

Function

Block

Statement

Variable

isn't this

slow?

Closures

```
function localGreeting() {  
    var captured = "Namaste!";  
    return function() {  
        console.log(captured);  
    };  
}
```

Curry



http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Curry_Tree_Fruit.jpg



<https://wiki.haskell.org/wikiupload/8/86/HaskellBCurry.jpg>

1 function with

n arguments



curry

n functions with

1 argument

```
f = function (a,b,c) {  
  return console.log(a,b,c);  
}
```

```
> f('Haskell','B.','Curry')  
Haskell B. Curry
```

```
fCurry = function(a) {  
  return function(b) {  
    return function(c) {  
      return console.log(a,b,c);  
    }  
  }  
}
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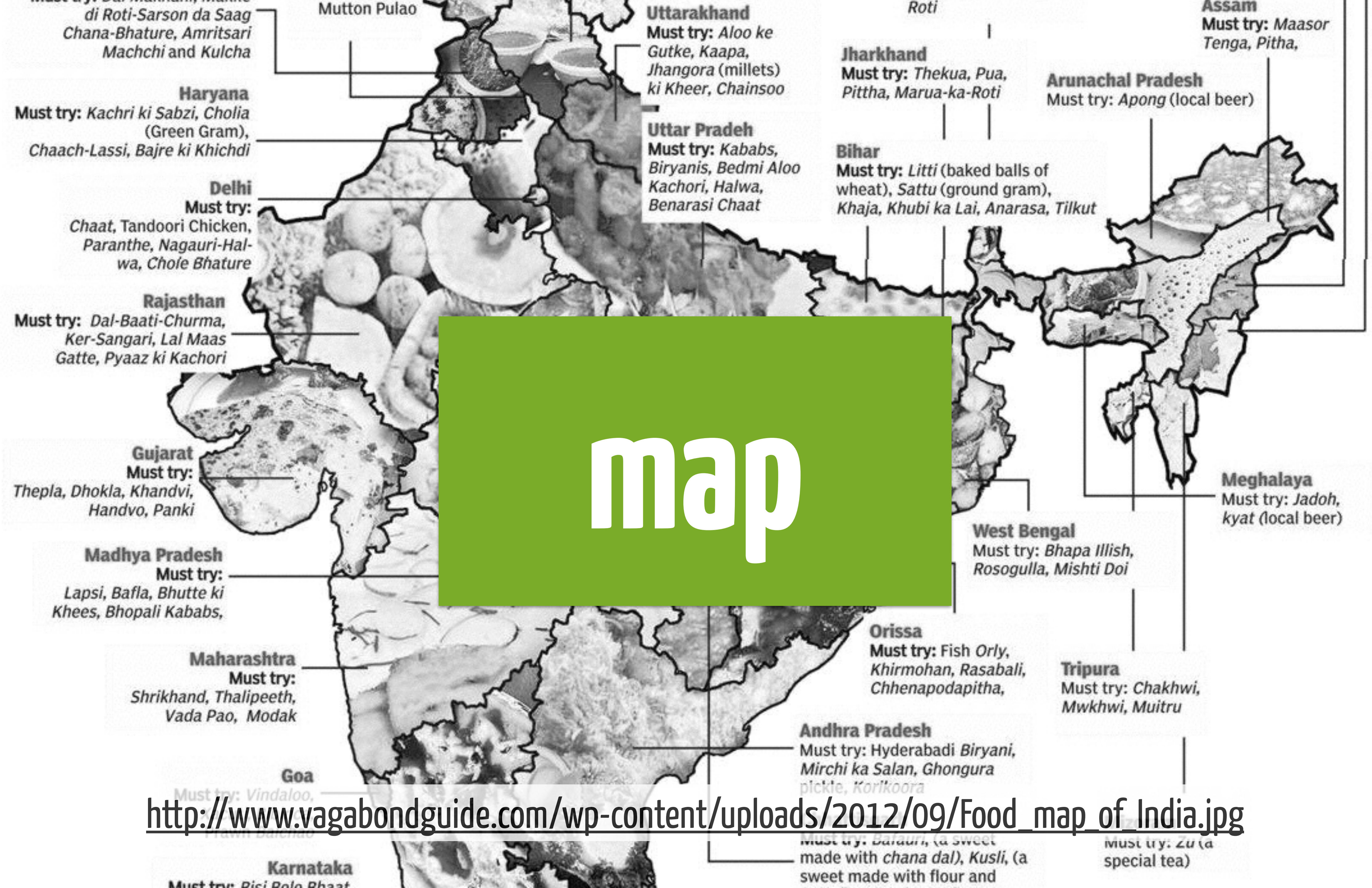
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“[..]well known wherever the **Currys** have lived has been the hospitality they have shown.

Cooking also played a role in the growth of interest in combinatory logic.”

–J.P. Seldin, J.R. Hindley

**Veggies,
map, reduce and filter**



http://www.vagabondguide.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/Food_map_of_India.jpg

transform with map

```
console.log('Spices to roast:\n');  
pick(5, spices).map(printItem);
```

```
[ 'clove',  
  'cardamom',  
  'pepper' ]
```



```
*clove  
*cardamom  
*pepper
```

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```

'clove',	printItem	*clove
'cardamom',	printItem	*cardamom
'pepper']	printItem	*pepper



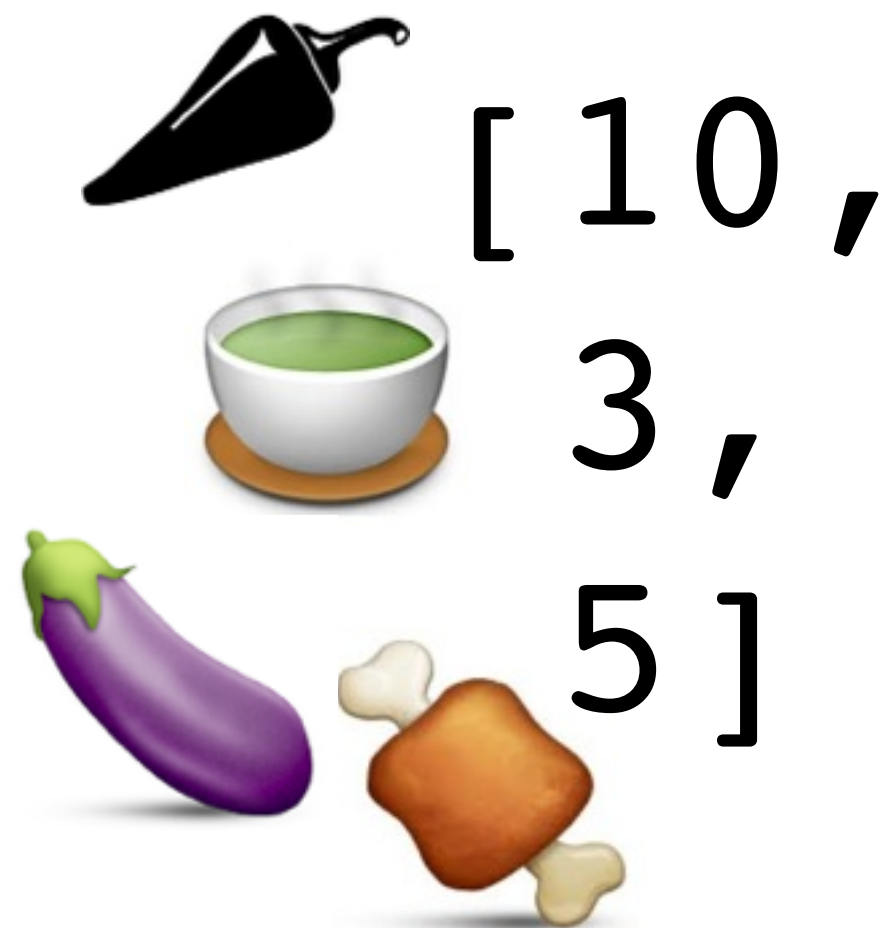
reduce

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/notahipster/4250668672/>

combine with reduce

```
function plus(a,b) { return a + b; }
```

```
console.log('Sum items in pantry:\n');  
individualCounts.reduce(plus);
```

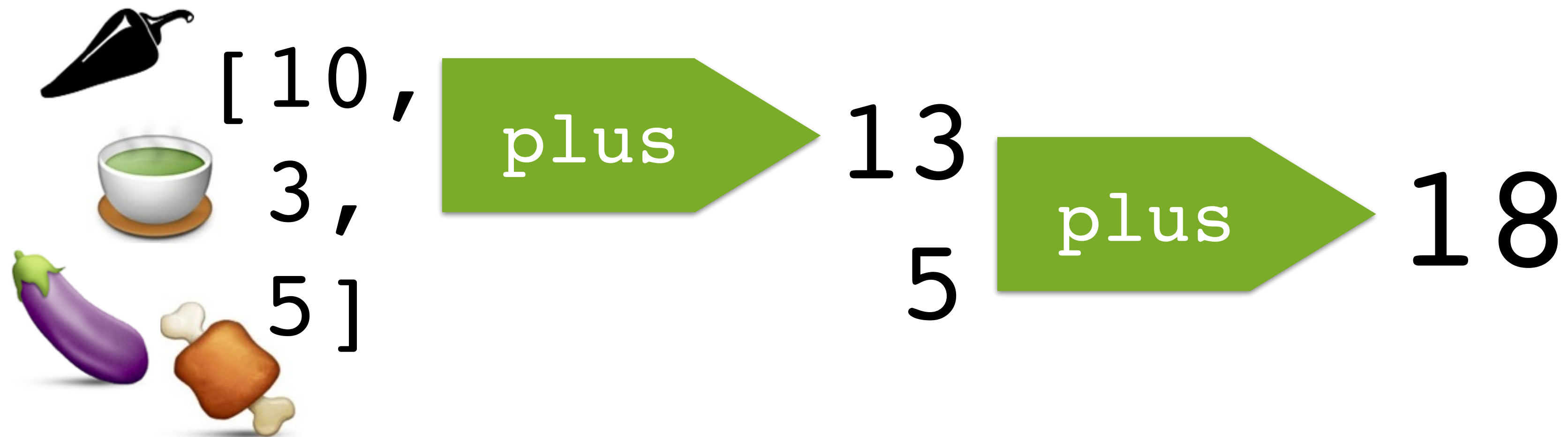


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combine with reduce

```
function plus(a,b) { return a + b; }
```

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individualCounts.reduce(plus);
```





filter

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/dustinashins/5257228489/>

select with filter

```
function isInStock(item) {  
  return item.quantity > 0;  
}
```

```
console.log('What's in stock:\n');  
veggies.filter(isInStock);
```

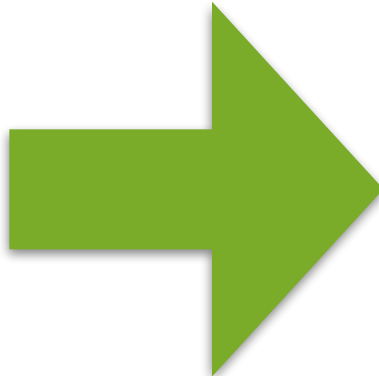
```
[ [ { name: 'okra',  
      quantity: 25 },  
    { name: 'carrot',  
      quantity: 0 } ] ]
```

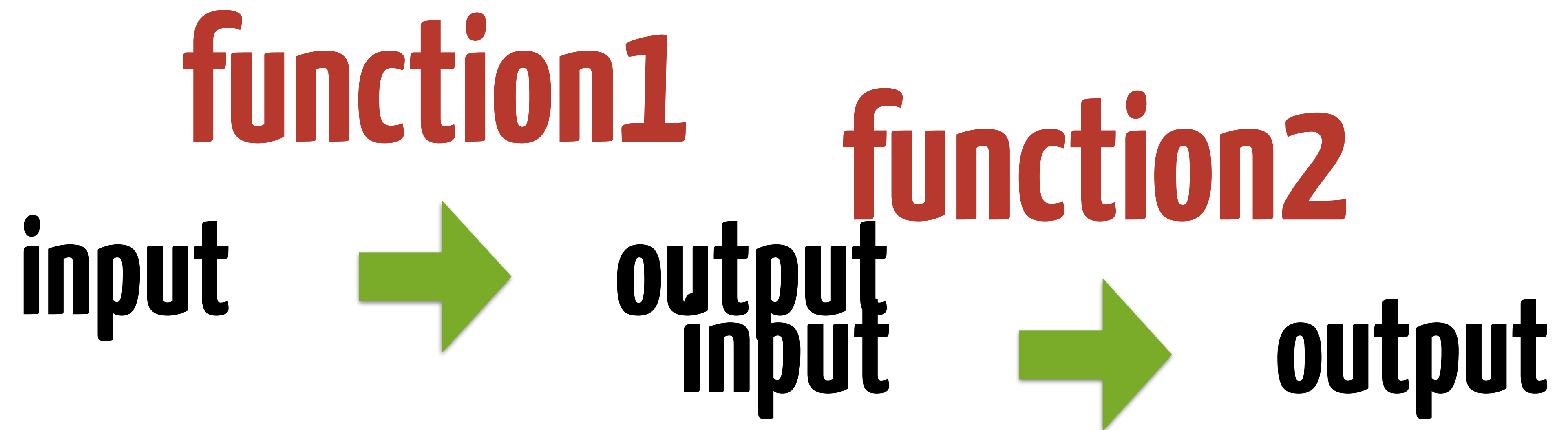


```
[ { name: 'okra',  
    quantity: 25 } ]
```

Composition

function

input  **output**



$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$

```
function compose(g, f) {  
  return function (x) {  
    return g(f(x));  
  }  
}
```

```
function count(x) {  
  return x.quantity;  
}
```

```
function chopInHalf(x) {  
  return 2 * x;  
}
```

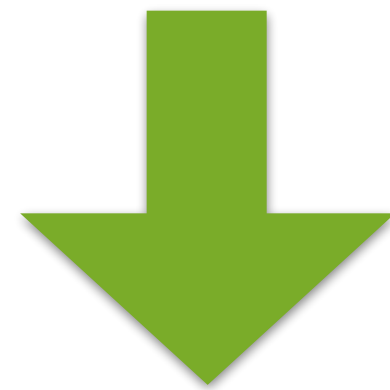
```
> compose(chopInHalf, count)(okra)  
50
```

Purely functional?

Point free style

curry + invisible arguments

```
mySort xs = sortBy compareSize xs
```



```
mySort      = sortBy compareSize
```

curry + invisible arguments

```
var recipe = compose(cook,  
                      map(sliceAndDice),  
                      selectIngredients);
```

functional program:
a machine for transforming data

functions are built from other functions

via *compose* & combine

***currying* allows to specialize**

a generic function

III. Advanced Concepts

A close-up photograph of a Romanesco broccoli, showing its characteristic fractal-like structure of green, pointed florets. The image is used as a background for a title slide.

Recursion

[http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Romanesco_Broccoli_detail_-_ \(1\).jpg](http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Romanesco_Broccoli_detail_-_ (1).jpg)



Cooking in a Monad

```

hell({
  parameter : someParameter,
  callback : function(status) {
    if (status == states.SUCCESS) {
      b(function(status) {
        if (status == states.SUCCESS) {
          c(function(status){
            if (status == states.SUCCESS) {
              // Not an exaggeration. I have seen
              // code that looks like this regularly.
            }
          });
        }
      });
    }
  }
});

```

<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/25098066/what-is-callback-hell-and-how-and-why-rx-solves-it>

artisanal ;

```
function foo (bar) {  
    console.log(bar); return bar.length  
}
```

```
foo("hallo");  
> hallo  
> 5
```

```
function foo (bar) {  
    (function () { console.log(bar); })();  
    return (function () { return bar.length; })();  
}
```

```
foo("hallo");  
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> 5
```

```
function foo (bar, fun_a, fun_b) {  
    (function (as) { fun_a.call(this, as); })(bar);  
    return (function (bs) {  
        return fun_b.call(this, bs); })(bar);  
    }  
}
```

```
function length(s) { return s.length; }
```

```
foo('hallo', console.log, length);
```

```
> hallo
```

```
> 5
```

```
function bang(s) { console.log(s + '!'); }
```

```
> foo('this works', console.log,  
    function () { return  
        foo('like a semicolon', bang,  
            length); });
```

this works

like a semicolon!

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```
function bang(s) { console.log(s + '!'); }
```

```
> mbind('this works', console.log,  
    function () { return  
        mbind('like a semicolon', bang,  
            length); });
```

this works

like a semicolon!

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Step into the Monad

```
function Pot (contents) {  
  this.contents = contents;  
}
```

```
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    this.contents = contents;  
}
```

```
var a = new Pot(1);
```

```
function Pot (contents) {  
    this.contents = contents;  
}
```

```
var a = new Pot(1);  
var b = new Pot(2);
```

```
function step (i) {  
    return new Pot(i + 1);  
}
```

```
var a = new Pot(1);  
var b = step(a.contents);
```

```
function step (i) {  
    return new Pot(i + 1);  
}
```

```
var a = new Pot(1);  
var b = step(a.contents);
```

Pot(value)

```
function step (i) {  
    return i + 1;  
}
```

```
var a = 1;  
var b = step(a);
```

value

The Monad Pattern

```
Pot.prototype.mbind = function (f) {  
    return f.call(this, this.contents);  
};
```

```
var a = new Pot(1);  
> { contents: 1 }
```

```
var b = a.mbind(step);  
> { contents: 2 }
```

```
var c = b.mbind(step);  
> { contents: 3 }
```

```
c.contents;  
> 3
```

```
Pot.prototype.mbind = function (f) {  
    return f.call(this, this.contents);  
};
```

```
var a = new Pot(1);  
> { contents: 1 }
```

value → Pot(value)

```
var b = a.mbind(step);  
> { contents: 2 }
```

```
var c = b.mbind(step);  
> { contents: 3 }
```

Pot(value) → Pot(value)

```
c.contents;  
> 3
```

unit / return

value → M (value)

mbind / >>= / bind

M (value) → M (value)

What's for dessert?



**Purely functional
goodness**

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/PaperPartyEvents>

abstraction

very localized
understanding of code

Explicit *side effects*
error handling

reusability



Das Curry-Buch

*Funktional programmieren
lernen mit JavaScript*