

# scalaz Typeclass Cheat Sheet

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## Installation

In your `build.sbt` file:

```
libraryDependencies += "org.scalaz" %% "scalaz-core" % "7.0.4"
```

Then in your `.scala` files:

```
import scalaz._
```

## Defining Signatures

Each typeclass is defined by a particular function signature and a set of laws<sup>1</sup>(invariants) that the typeclass must obey.

Typeclass	Signature
Functor	$F[A] \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow F[B]$
Contravariant	$F[A] \Rightarrow (B \Rightarrow A) \Rightarrow F[B]$
Apply <sup>2</sup>	$F[A] \Rightarrow F[A \Rightarrow B] \Rightarrow F[B]$
Bind	$F[A] \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow F[B]) \Rightarrow F[B]$
Traverse <sup>3</sup>	$F[A] \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow G[B]) \Rightarrow G[F[B]]$
Foldable <sup>4</sup>	$F[A] \Rightarrow (A \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow B$
Plus	$F[A] \Rightarrow F[A] \Rightarrow F[A]$
Cobind	$F[A] \Rightarrow (F[A] \Rightarrow B) \Rightarrow F[B]$
Zip	$F[A] \Rightarrow F[B] \Rightarrow F[(A, B)]$
Unzip	$F[(A, B)] \Rightarrow (F[A], F[B])$

<sup>1</sup> Typeclass laws are not listed here. See each typeclass' scaladoc link for more information.

<sup>2</sup> Apply has a (broader) subtype `Applicative`. See the expanded tables below.

<sup>3</sup> Traverse requires that the target type constructor `G` have an implicit `Applicative` instance available; that is, an implicit `Applicative[G]` must be in scope.

Informally, traversing a structure maps each value to some effect, which are combined into a single effect that produces a value having the original structure. For example, by transforming every `A` of a `List[A]` into a `Future[B]`, the traversal would return a `Future[List[B]]`.

<sup>4</sup> Foldable requires that the target type `B` have an implicit `Monoid` instance available; that is, an implicit `Monoid[B]` must be in scope.

Informally, you're folding something up, so you need to know how to squash things together!

*Derived Functions*

For each typeclass, its defining function is marked in **bold** and each derived function listed below it.

Typeclass		Signature		Function
Functor		$(A \Rightarrow B)$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	<b>map</b>
		$B$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	as
			$F[(A, A)]$	fpair
	$F[A]$	$G[_]$	$\Rightarrow F[G[A]]$	fpoint
		$(A \Rightarrow B)$	$\Rightarrow F[(A, B)]$	fproduct
		$B$	$\Rightarrow F[(B, A)]$	strengthL
		$B$	$\Rightarrow F[(A, B)]$	strengthR
			$F[Unit]$	void
Contravariant	$F[A]$	$(B \Rightarrow A)$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	<b>contramap</b>
Apply <sup>5</sup>		$F[A \Rightarrow B]$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	<b>ap</b>
		$F[B]$	$\Rightarrow F[(A, B)]$	tuple
	$F[A]$	$F[B]$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	*>
		$F[B]$	$\Rightarrow F[A]$	<*
		$F[B] \Rightarrow ((A, B) \Rightarrow C)$	$\Rightarrow F[C]$	apply2 <sup>6</sup>
Applicative		$F[A \Rightarrow B]$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	<b>ap</b>
		Boolean	$\Rightarrow F[Unit]$	unlessM
	$F[A]$	Boolean	$\Rightarrow F[Unit]$	whenM
		Int	$\Rightarrow F[List[A]]$	replicateM
		Int	$\Rightarrow F[Unit]$	replicateM_
Bind	$F[A]$	$(A \Rightarrow F[B])$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	<b>flatMap</b>
		$F[B]$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	>>
	$F[F[A]]$		$\Rightarrow F[A]$	join

<sup>5</sup> Both the Apply and Applicative typeclasses implement the ap method; Applicative is a subtype of Apply, with an additional point method to lift a value into the Applicative.

<sup>6</sup> In addition to apply2, there is apply3, etc., up to apply12. That is, applyN takes N F's and a function that transforms an N-tuple into a single value.

Typeclass		Signature		Function
Traverse		$(A \Rightarrow G[B])$	$\Rightarrow G[F[B]]$	<b>traverse</b>
		$(A \Rightarrow G[F[B]])$	$\Rightarrow G[F[B]]$	traverseM
	F[A]		F[A]	reverse
		F[B]	$\Rightarrow F[(A, Option[B])]$	zipL
	F[G[A]]	F[B]	$\Rightarrow F[(Option[A], B)]$	zipR
		G[F[A]]		sequence
Foldable		$(A \Rightarrow B)$	$\Rightarrow B$	<b>foldMap</b>
		$B \Rightarrow ((A, B) \Rightarrow B)$	$\Rightarrow B$	foldRight
		$B \Rightarrow ((B, A) \Rightarrow B)$	$\Rightarrow B$	foldLeft
			A	fold
			Int	length
		Int	$\Rightarrow Option[A]$	index
		$(A, Int)$	$\Rightarrow A$	indexOr
	F[A]		A	suml
			A	sumr
			List[A]	toList
			Set[A]	toSet
			Stream[A]	toStream
		$(A \Rightarrow Boolean)$	$\Rightarrow Boolean$	all
	$(A \Rightarrow Boolean)$	$\Rightarrow Boolean$	any	
		Boolean	empty	
Plus	F[A]	$\Rightarrow F[A]$	$\Rightarrow F[A]$	<b>plus</b>
Cobind	F[A]	$\Rightarrow (F[A] \Rightarrow B)$	$\Rightarrow F[B]$	<b>cobind</b>
			F[F[A]]	cojoin
Zip		F[B]	$\Rightarrow F[(A, B)]$	<b>zip</b>
	F[A]	$\Rightarrow F[B] \Rightarrow ((A, B) \Rightarrow C)$	$\Rightarrow F[C]$	zipWith
		$(F[A] \Rightarrow F[B])$	$\Rightarrow F[(A, B)]$	apzip
Unzip	F[(A, B)]		$(F[A], F[B])$	<b>unzip</b>
			F[A]	firsts
			F[B]	seconds

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