# The verified-classes Library: Big Proofs, Little Tedium

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class Ord a where
  (<=) :: a -> a -> Bool
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-- Transitivity:
-- if x <= y && y <= z,
-- then x <= z
class Ord a where
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# class Ord a => VOrd a where leqTransitive :: Π (x, y, z :: a)

- -> (x <= y) :~: True
- -> (y <= z) :~: True
- -> (x <= z) :~: True

```
instance VOrd a => VOrd (T a) where
  leqTransitive t t' t'' Refl Refl =
    case (t, t', t'') of
      (MkT1 x, MkT1 y, MkT1 z)
        | Refl <- legTransitive x y z Refl Refl
        = Refl
      (MkT2 x, MkT2 y, MkT2 z)
        | Refl <- legTransitive x y z Refl Refl
        = Refl
      (MkT3 x, MkT3 y, MkT3 z)
        | Refl <- legTransitive x y z Refl Refl
        = Refl
      (MkT1 _, _, MkT2 _)
        = Refl
      (MkT1 _, _, MkT3 _)
        = Refl
      (MkT2 _, _, MkT3 _)
        = Refl
```



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instance VOrd a => VOrd (T a) where
leqTransitive = defaultLeqTransitive
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data T a = MkT1 a | ... | MkTn a

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instance VOrd a => VOrd (T a) where
legTransitive = defaultLegTransitive
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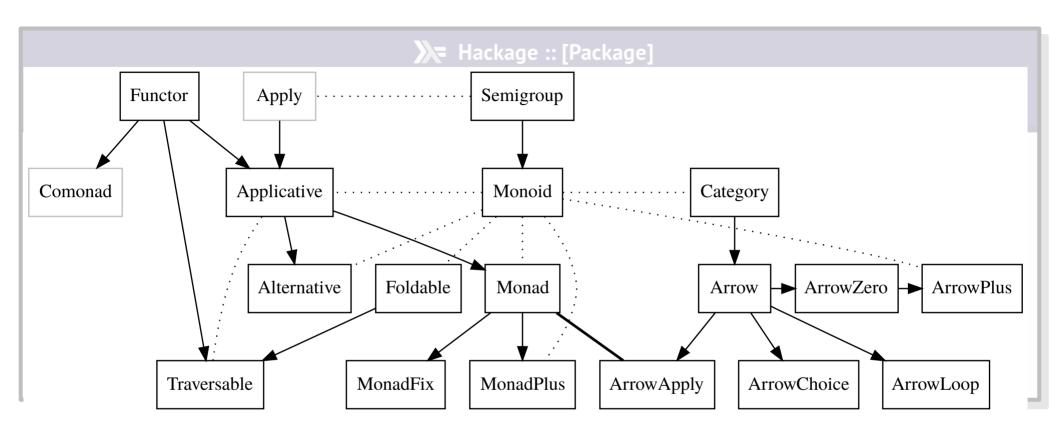
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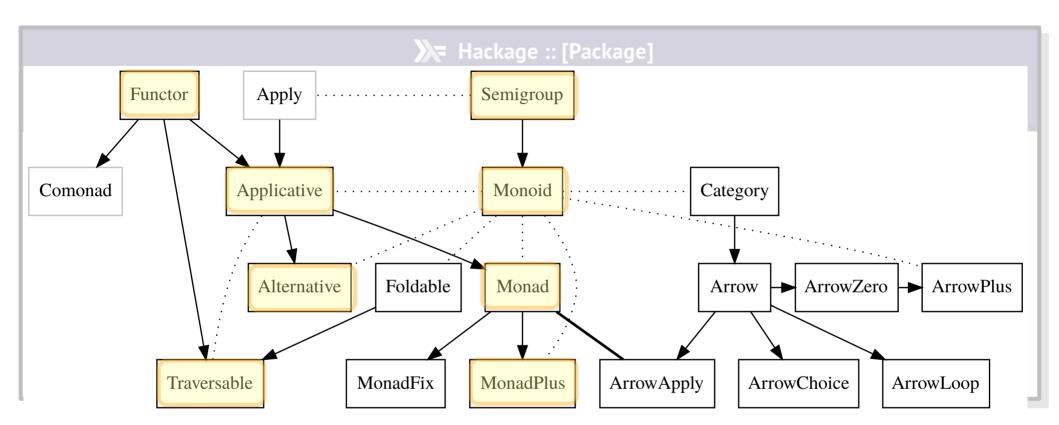
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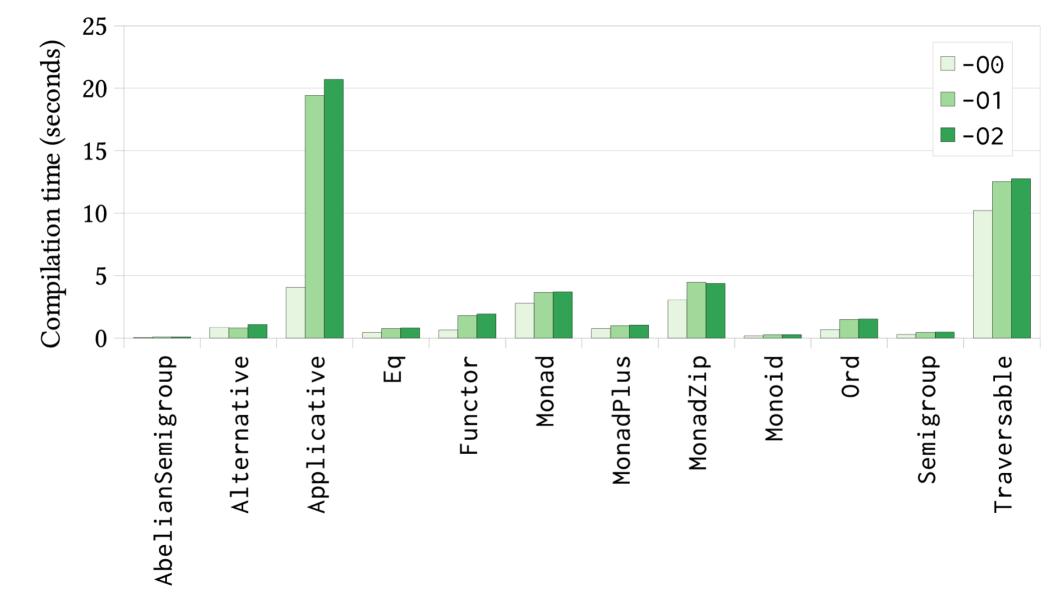
### base: Basic libraries

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This package contains the Standard Haskell Prelude and its support libraries, and a large collection of useful libraries ranging from data structures to parsing combinators and debugging utilities.







## verified-classes

- Scrap your type class proof boilerplate as easily as any other type class boilerplate
- Flexible enough to deal with existing code
- Implemented in GHC, but ideas can be ported to other dependently typed languages

https://gitlab.com/RyanGlScott/verified-classes