A build system generator

- CMake is a generator: it generates native build systems files (Makefile, Ninja, IDE project files [XCode, CodeBlocks, Eclipse CDT, Codelite, Visual Studio, Sublime Text...], ...),
- CMake scripting language (declarative) is used to describe the build,
- The developer edits `CMakeLists.txt`, invokes CMake but should never edit the generated files,
- CMake may be (automatically) re-invoked by the build system,
- CMake has friends who may be very handy (CPack, CTest, CDash)

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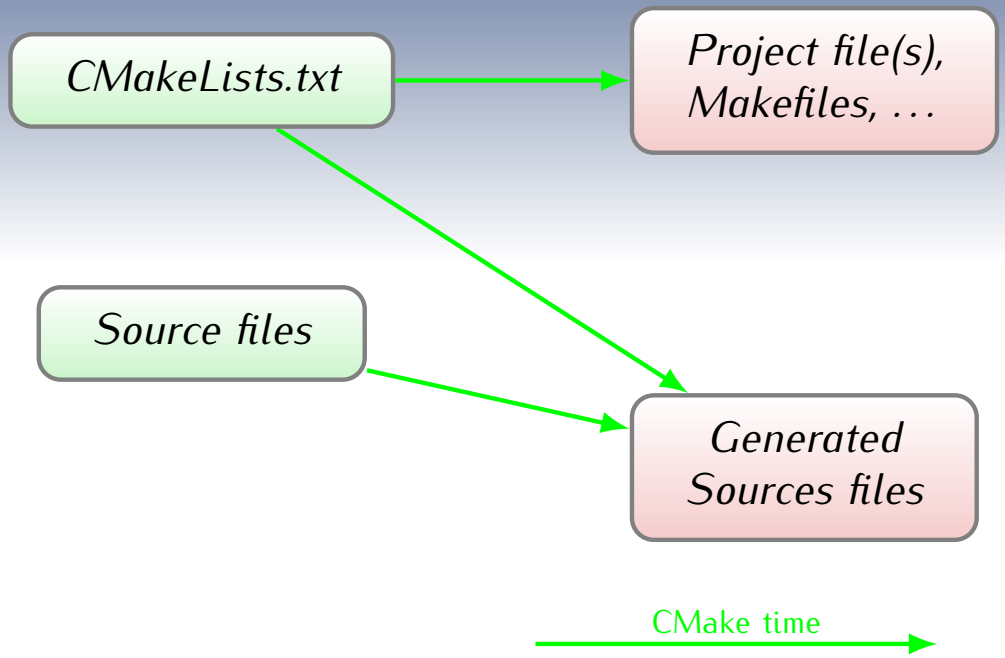

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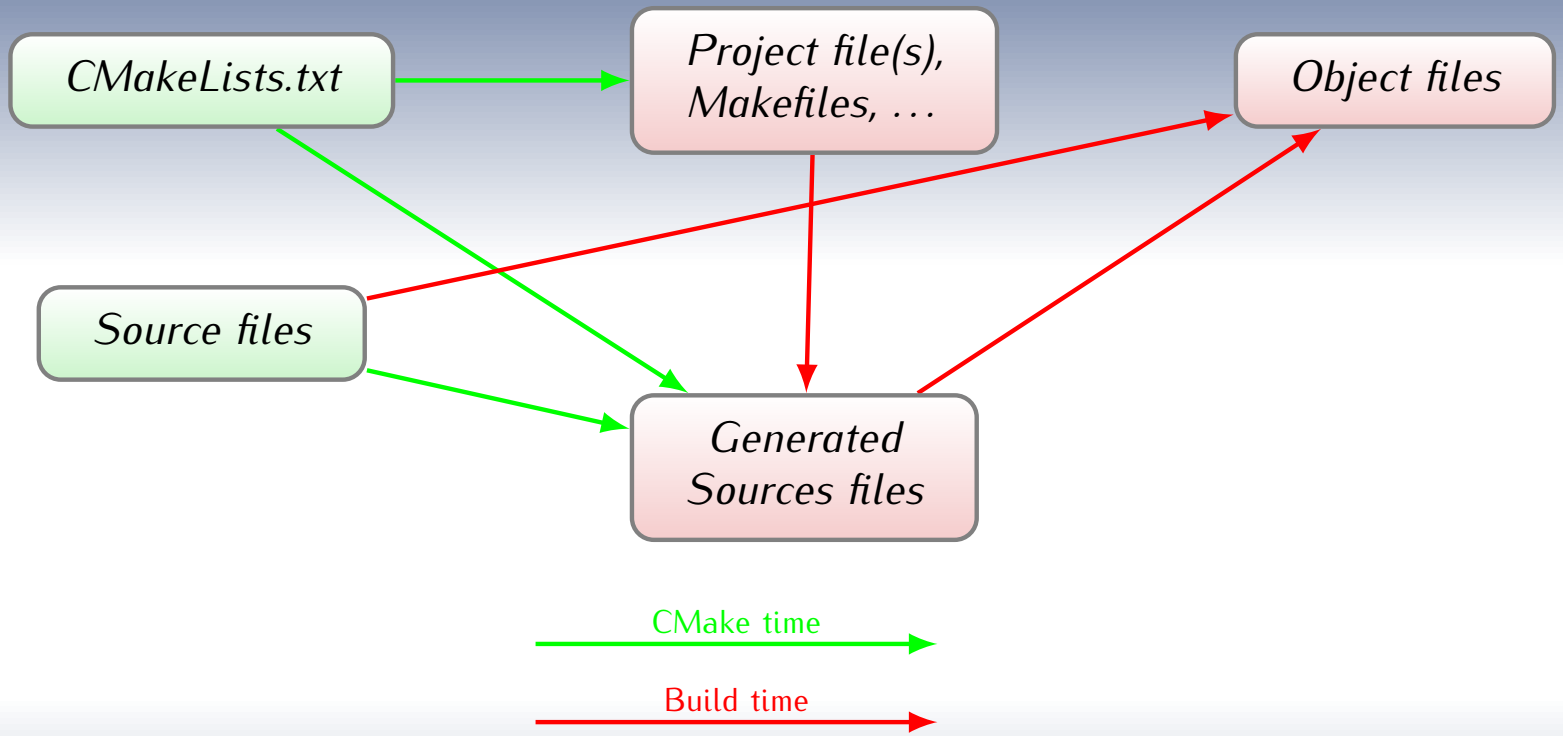

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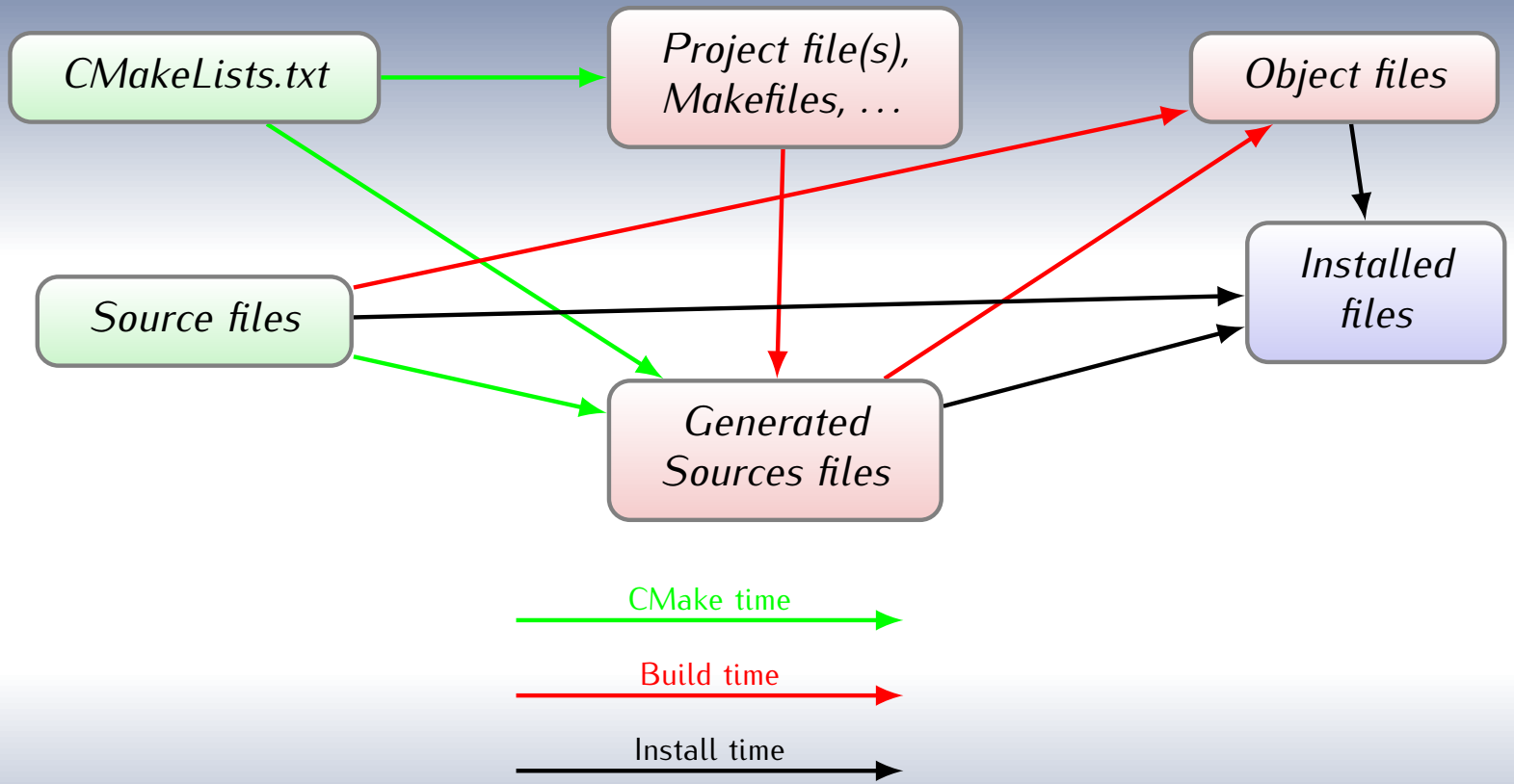

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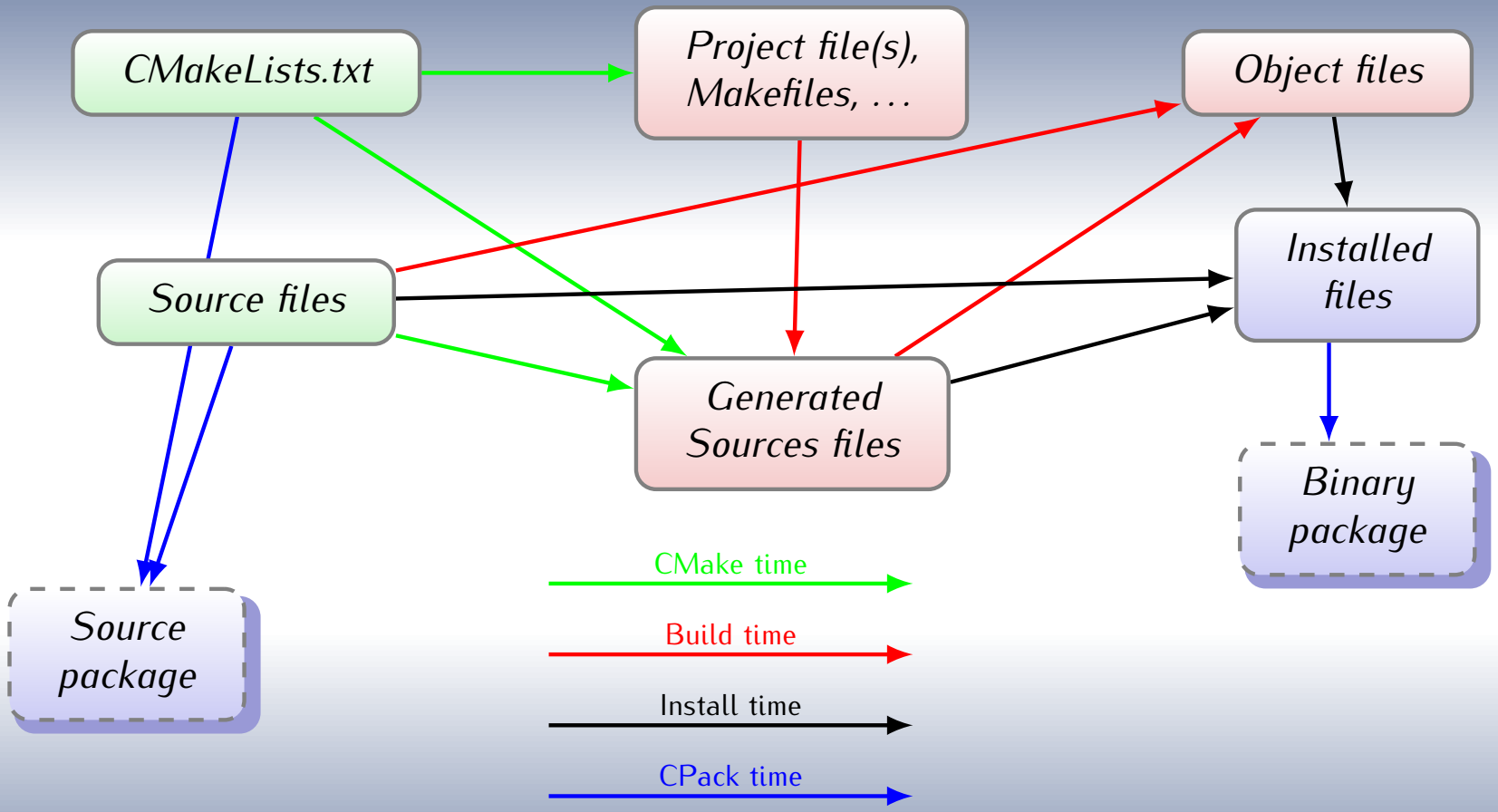

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