Hackett

a metaprogrammable Haskell

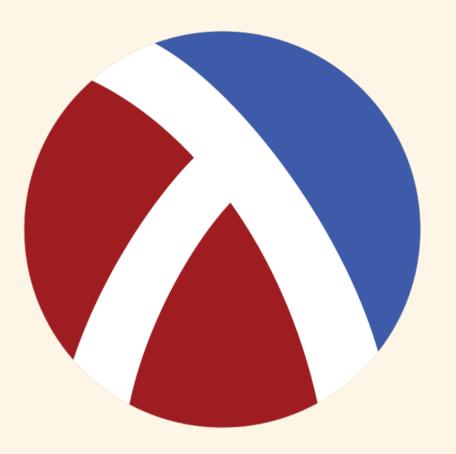
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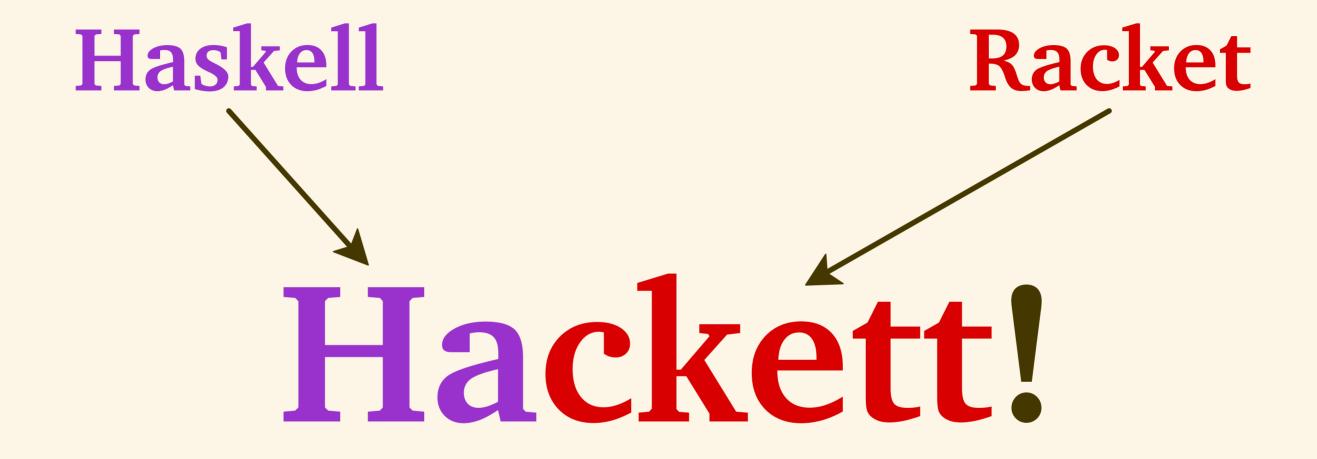
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Haskell deserves a macro system.

Macros can benefit from Haskell's type system.

A Short Peek at Hackett

Hackett is a Haskell.

Hackett

```
(data Point (Point Integer Integer)
#:deriving [Eq Show])
```

Haskell

data Point = Point Integer Integer
deriving (Eq, Show)

Hackett

Haskell

```
(main (do (println "Server running on port 8080.")
(run-server 8080)))
```

Haskell

main = do putStrLn "Server running on port 8080." runServer 8080

Hackett

```
(instance (From-Param Point)
  [from-param (λ [str] ...)])
```

Haskell

instance FromParam Point where
fromParam str = ...

Hackett is a Haskell.

But...

Macros!

```
(defserver run-server
  [GET "hello" → String → String ⇒ greet])
```

```
(defn run-server : {Integer → (IO Unit)}
 [[port]
  (listen-on-port
   port (λ [req]
           (case (request→path-segments req)
             [(List "hello" a)
              (either→response
               (do [tmp ← (from-param a)]
                   (pure (greet tmp))))]
             [ (Response 404 "Not Found")])))])
```

defserver : AST → AST

Defined at compile-time!

Macros are syntactic abstractions.



Cleanly handling pattern matching errors self.haskell

submitted 1 year ago by wildptr

Hi /r/Haskell, I've been working on a small project where the public API is written in terms of the MTL stack ExceptT ... (StateT ...), so I tend to write code that looks a lot like the following.

In other words, I pattern match on some expression, and if it's valid, then I perform some computation, or else I throw an error and dump the application state to the user.

Since this shows up frequently, I figure I could write and export a set of functions that implements the above functionality on a set of common patterns (most matches tend to happen on expressions of the type of the application state). But the thing is, you can't write a general function that takes <code>[expr]</code>, <code>[pattern]</code>, <code>[code]</code>, and <code>[error]</code> that expands to the above without using some metaprogramming facility like TH.

So, is it worth encoding this pattern into a set of functions or just leave the user to handle extraneous patterns themselves?

Thanks in advance!

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```
(do [x \leftarrow (case a)]
               [(Foo x) x]
               [_ (throw E1)])]
    [y \leftarrow (case (f x))]
               [(Bar y) y]
               [_ (throw E2)])]
    [z \leftarrow (case (g y))]
               [(Qux z) z]
               [ (throw E3)])]
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(case/throw [(Foo x) \leftarrow a #:or E1]

[(Bar y) \leftarrow (f x) #:or E2]

[(Qux z) \leftarrow (g y) #:or E3]

(pure (h z)))
```

```
(define-syntax-parser case/throw
  #:datum-literals [←]
  [( e) #'e]
  [(\_ [(pat x) \leftarrow val #:or err]
      more ... +)
   \#'(do [x \leftarrow (case val)]
                   [(pat x) x]
                   [_ (throw err)])]
          (case/throw more ...))])
```

```
(define analyze-expr : {Bool \rightarrow Expr \rightarrow Expr}
  [[flag (Var v)]
   (if flag (change/1 v) (change/2 v))]
  [[flag (App e1 e2)]
   (App (analyze-expr flag e1)
        (analyze-expr flag e2))]
  [[flag (Lam v e)]
   (Lam v (analyze-expr flag e))]
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   (Lam v (analyze-expr flag e))]
  [[flag (Case scrut alts)]
   (Case (analyze-expr flag scrut)
         {(analyze-alt flag) <>> alts})])
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  [[flag (Alt dc pats e)]
   (Alt dc pats (analyze-expr flag e))])
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  [[flag (Case scrut alts)]
   (Case (analyze-expr flag scrut)
         {(analyze-alt flag) <> alts})])
(defn analyze-alt : {Bool \rightarrow Alt \rightarrow Alt}
  [[flag (Alt dc pats e)]
   (Alt dc pats (analyze-expr flag e))])
```

```
(section ([flag : Bool])
  (defn analyze-expr : {Expr → Expr}
    [[(Var v)]
    (if flag (change/1 v) (change/2 v))]
    [[(App e1 e2)]
     (App (analyze-expr e1)
          (analyze-expr e2))]
    [[(Lam v e)]
    (Lam v (analyze-expr e))]
    [[(Lam v e)]
    (Lam v (analyze-expr e))]
    [[(Case scrut alts)]
    (Case (analyze-expr scrut)
           {analyze-alt <>> alts})])
  (defn analyze-alt : {Alt → Alt}
    [[(Alt dc pats e)]
     (Alt dc pats (analyze-expr e))]))
```

- ♠ [-] rampion 9 points 10 months ago
- You can still do this trick for multiple functions at the same time:

```
(analyseExpr, analyseAlt) = distribute section where
 section :: Flag -> (Expr -> Expr, Alt -> Alt)
 section flag = (analyseExpr, analyseAlt) where
   analyseExpr :: Expr -> Expr
   analyseExpr (Var v) = if flag then change1 v else change2 v
   analyseExpr (App e1 e2) =
     App (analyseExpr e1) (analyseExpr e2)
   analyseExpr (Lam v e) = Lam v (analyseExpr e)
   analyseExpr (Case scrut alts) =
     Case (analyseExpr scrut) (analyseAlt <$> alts)
   analyseAlt :: Alt -> Alt
   analyseAlt (dc, pats, e) = (dc, pats, analyseExpr e)
```

where you can define distribute simply as:

```
distribute :: Functor f => f (a,b) -> (f a, f b)
distribute f = (fst <$> f, snd <$> f)
```

- [–] nomeata [S] 4 points 10 months ago
- Nice implementation of this. If we now only had syntax to get rid of the boiler plate code in your first three lines...:-)

permalink embed save parent give gold

```
(define-syntax-parser section
 #:literals [: defn]
 [(_ ([x:id : t] ...)
      {~and d (defn d-id:id _ ...)} ...)
  #'(def (Tuple d-id ...)
       (let ([f (\lambda [x ...]
                   (local [d ...]
                     (Tuple d-id ...)))])
         (Tuple
          (λ [x ...]
            (case (f x ...)
              [(Tuple d-id ...) d-id]))
           ...)))])
```

Macros are syntactic abstractions.

Macros give us better DSLs.

Macros help eliminate boilerplate.

Haskell programmers want macros.

Hackett gives macros to Haskell.

Clearly, Haskell can benefit from macros.

How can macros benefit from Haskell?

Haskell is already fantastic at metaprogramming!

```
boldP :: Parser String
boldP = do
  count 2 (char '*')
  txt ← some (alphaNumChar <|> char ' ')
  count 2 (char '*')
  return $ concat
  [ "<strong>", txt, "</strong>"]
```

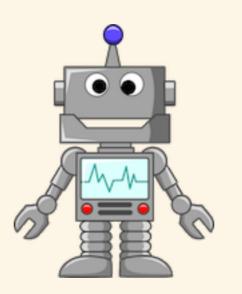
parsing — megaparsec

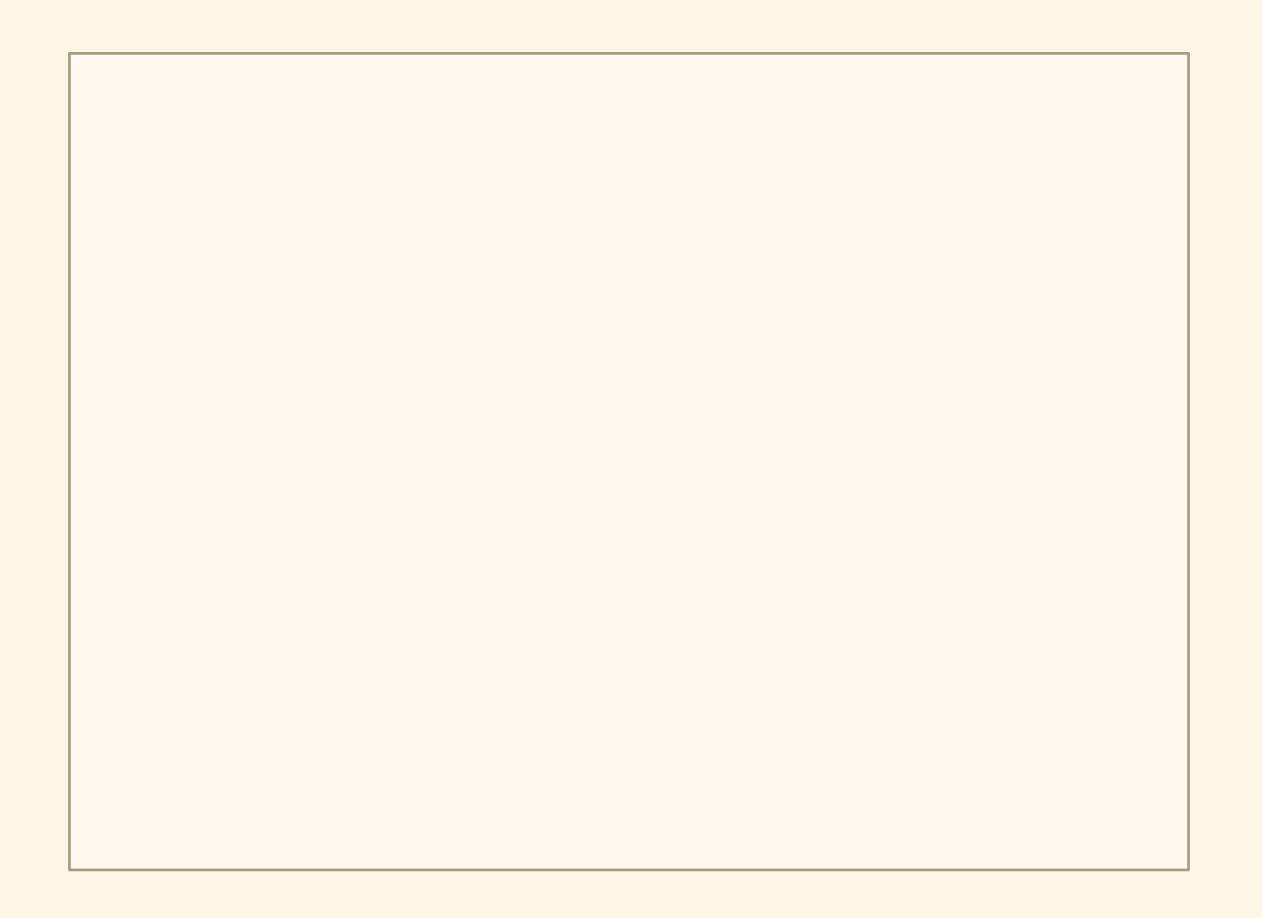
```
fileInput :: Parser Input
fileInput = FileInput <>> strOption
 ( long "file"
  ⇔ short 'f'
  ♦ help "Input file" )
stdInput :: Parser Input
stdInput = flag' StdInput
 ( long "stdin"
 ♦ help "Read from stdin" )
```

CLIs — optparse-applicative

HTML — lucid

servant





```
type API =
 "users" :> Get '[JSON] [(UserId, User)]
  :<|> "users" :> Capture "id" UserId
               :> Get '[JSON] User
```

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getUsers :: IO [(UserId, User)]
getUsers = ...
getUser :: UserId → IO User
getUser = ...
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getUser :: UserId → IO User
getUser = ...
main :: IO ()
main = run 8080 $
  serve @API (getUsers : <|> getUser)
```

What's the secret sauce?

Typeclasses

Typeclasses

```
> fmap (+ 1) [1, 2, 3]
[2, 3, 4]
> fmap (+ 1) (Just 2)
Just 3
> fmap (+ 1) Nothing
Nothing
```

Typeclasses

```
> empty :: [Integer]
[]
> empty :: Maybe Integer
Nothing
```

$$\stackrel{eval}{\longrightarrow} ???$$

empty :: Maybe () \xrightarrow{eval} Nothing

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Evaluation of programs depends on types!

Type Erasure

Type Erasure

```
type Success = { success: true, value: boolean };
type Failed = { success: false, error: string };
type Response = Success | Failed;
function handleResponse(response: Response) {
  if (response.success) {
   var value: boolean = response.value;
  } else {
    var error: string = response.error;
```

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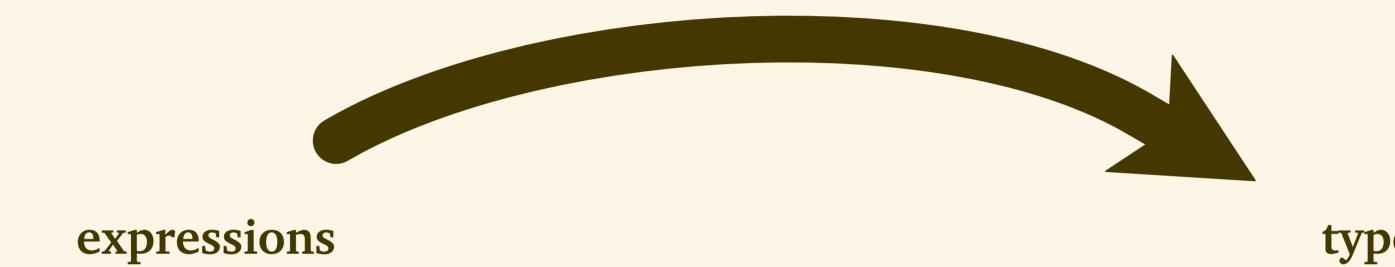
Typeclasses are (compile-time) functions from types to expressions.

```
> empty :: [Integer]

> empty ++ [1, 2, 3]
[1, 2, 3]
```

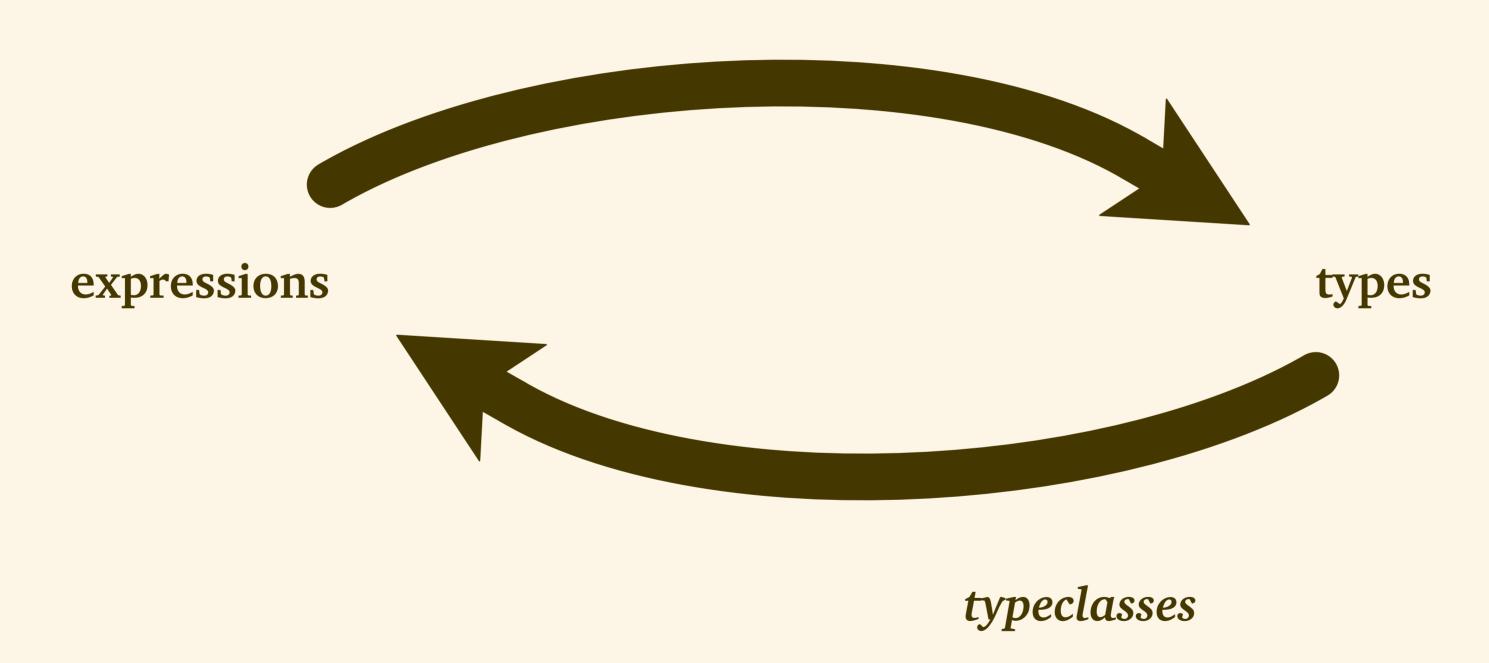
expressions types

type inference

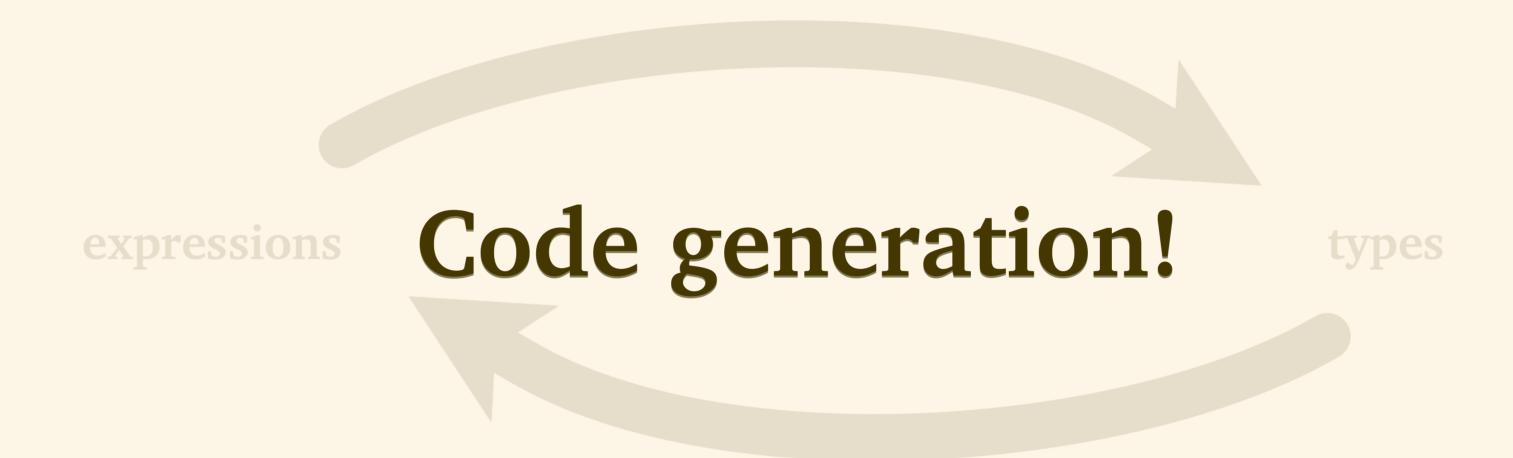


types

type inference



type inference



typeclasses

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main :: IO ()
main = run 8080 $
  serve @API (getUsers : <|> getUser)
```

Macro Metaprogramming

VS.

Typeclass Metaprogramming

(mac expr)

```
(let ([foo bar])
  (case (baz expr foo)
     [(List x _) (Just x)]
     [_ Nothing]))
```

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```
(def x (List 1 2 3))
            (show x)
      (show<sub>(List Integer)</sub> x)
((λ [xs] {"(List "
            ++ (string-join
                 (map show xs))
            ++ ")"})
 \chi)
```

```
{"(List "
++ (string-join " " (map show xs))
++ ")"}
```

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```

```
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   ++ ")"}
                      *
{"(List "
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 ++ ")"}
```

```
{"(List "
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       ++ ")"}
                        *
   {"(List "
    ++ (string-join " " (map show<sub>Integer</sub> xs))
    ++ ")"}
                         *
{"(List "
 ++ (string-join " " (map integer→string xs))
 ++ ")"}
```

Macros excel at *local* code transformations.

Can provide custom syntax.

Typeclasses permit global code transformations.

Tethered to the syntax of the host language.

Can we get both?

We already have

mac : AST → AST

Can we have

mac : ⟨AST, Type⟩ → AST

Yes!

(With some caveats.)

compiler



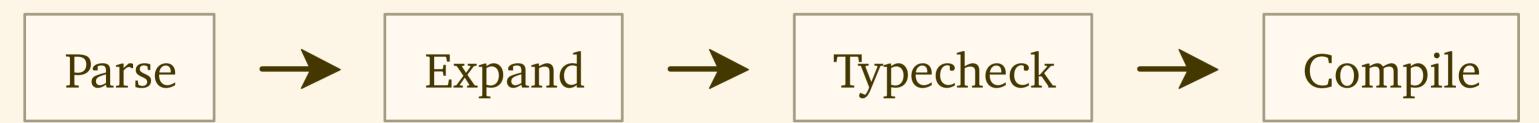
compiler + types



compiler + macros

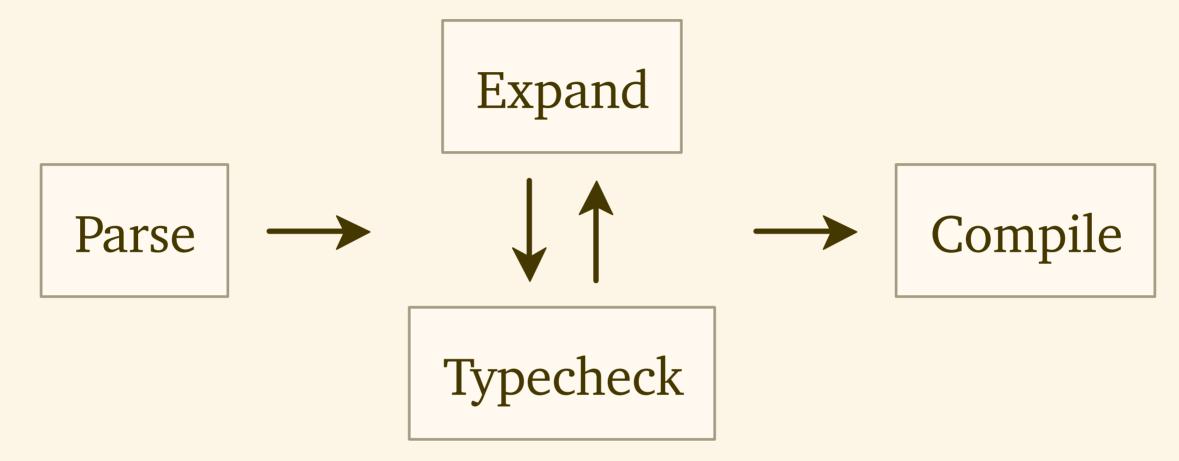






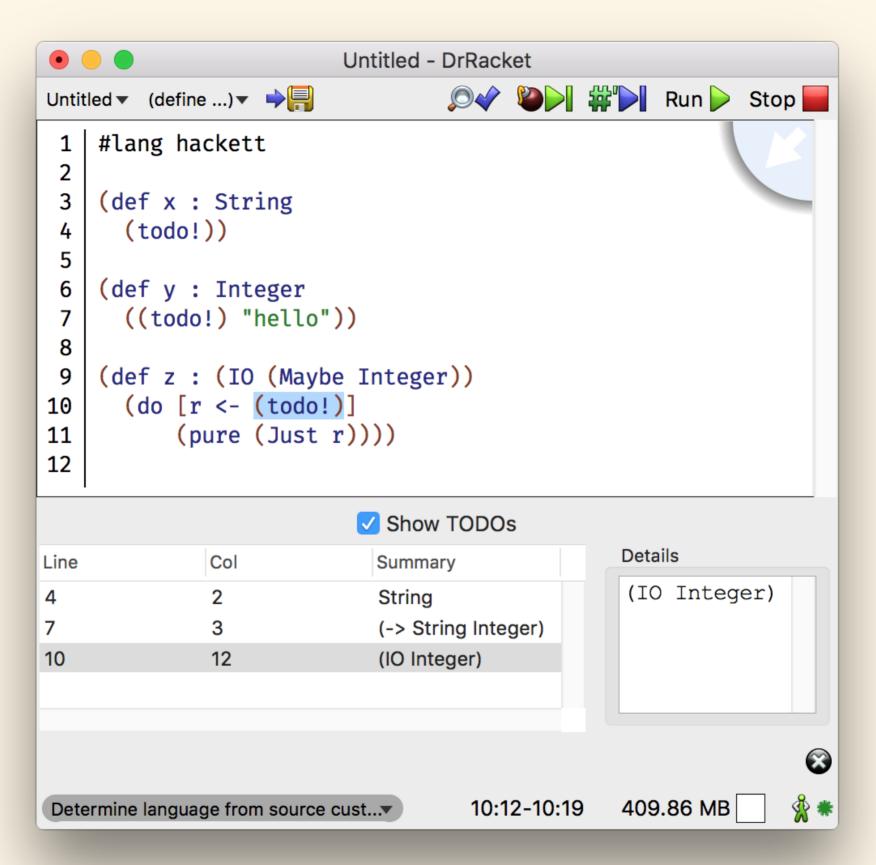
"Lisp-flavored Haskell"

compiler + types + type-aware macros



Hackett is more than Lisp-flavored Haskell.

(Thank you, Chang, Knauth, and Greenman for *Type Systems as Macros!*)



```
(define-syntax todo!
  (make-expected-type-transformer
   (syntax-parser
     [( e ...)
      (let* ([type-str (type→string
                        (get-expected this-syntax))]
             [message (string-append
                       (source-location→prefix this-syntax)
                       "todo! with type "
                       type-str)])
        (syntax-property
         (quasisyntax/loc this-syntax (error! #, message))
         'todo (todo-item type-str type-str))))))
```

```
> (inst Nothing Integer)
: (Maybe Integer)
Nothing
```

```
(define-syntax-parser inst
  [(_ e:expr {~type inst-t:type} ...)
   #:do [(define t-count (length (attribute inst-t)))
          (define-values [e- t_e] (\tau \Rightarrow ! #'e))]
   #:with {~#%type:forall* [x ...] tmono} te
   #:fail-when (< (length (attribute x)) (length (attribute inst-t)))</pre>
   (~a "given " t-count " type(s), but " (type\rightarrowstring t<sub>e</sub>)
        " only has " (length (attribute x)) " type variable(s) available for"
        " instantiation")
   #:do [(define-values [xs<sub>inst</sub> xs<sub>keep</sub>] (split-at (attribute x) t-count))]
   #:with t<sub>inst</sub> (insts #`(?#%type:forall* #,xs<sub>keep</sub> t<sub>mono</sub>)
                          (map cons xs<sub>inst</sub> (attribute inst-t)))
   #:with e+residual #`(let-values ([() inst-t.residual] ...) #,e-)
   (quasisyntax/loc this-syntax
     (: #,(attach-type #'e+residual t<sub>e</sub>) t<sub>inst</sub>))])
```

```
> (cata 0 negate (Just 42))
> (cata id show (Right True))
"True"
> (cata id show (Left "bang"))
"bang"
> (cata 0 + (List 1 2 3))
```

```
(do [maybe-user
     \leftarrow (sql-find
         (and
          {(string-downcase user.email) = email}
          {user.password = password}))]
    (case maybe-user
      [(just user) (set-session/redirect user)]
      [nothing render-login-403]))
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Hackett is a Haskell extended with macros.

This gives us language extensibility and better DSLs.

Macros augment existing Haskell metaprogramming.

Complementary, providing local and global transformations.

Type-directed macros are available.

Made possible by interleaving expansion and typechecking.

Hopefully, much more to come here in the future!

Thanks!

```
(macro-foo a b c)
(macro-bar x y z)
```

Source Program (with macros)

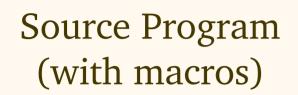
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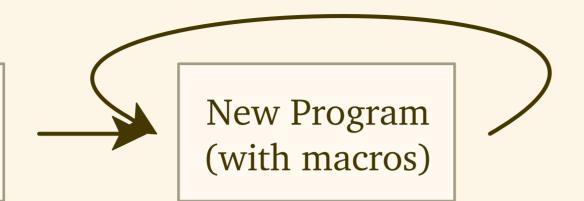
Source Program (with macros)



New Program (with macros)

```
(let ([a b]) (macro-qux c))
(macro-bar x y z)
```

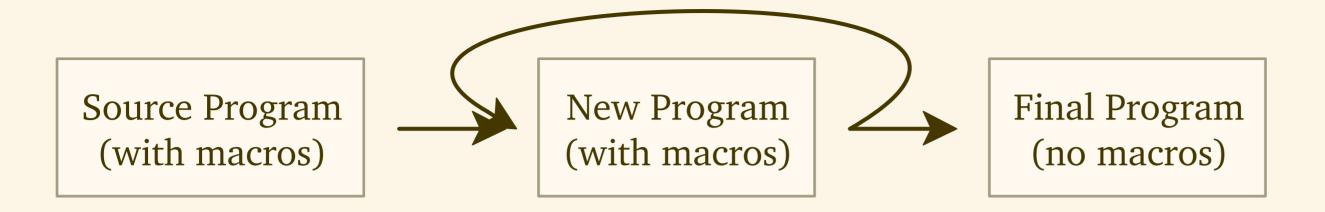


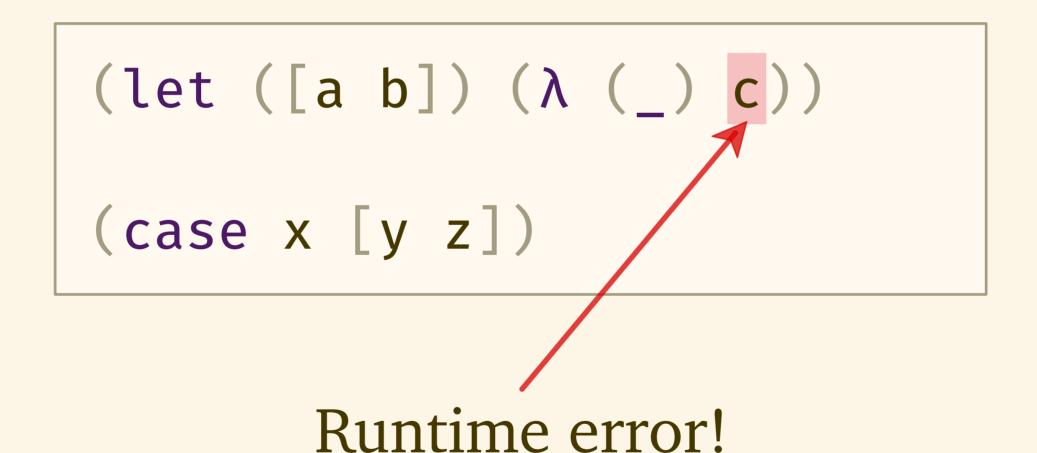


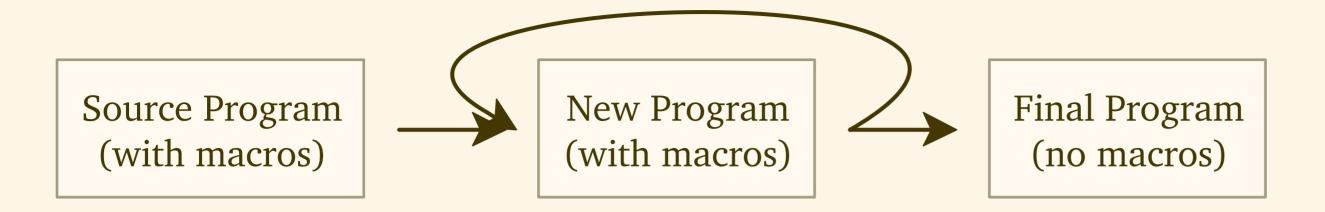
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(let ([a b]) (λ (_) c))
(macro-bar x y z)
```

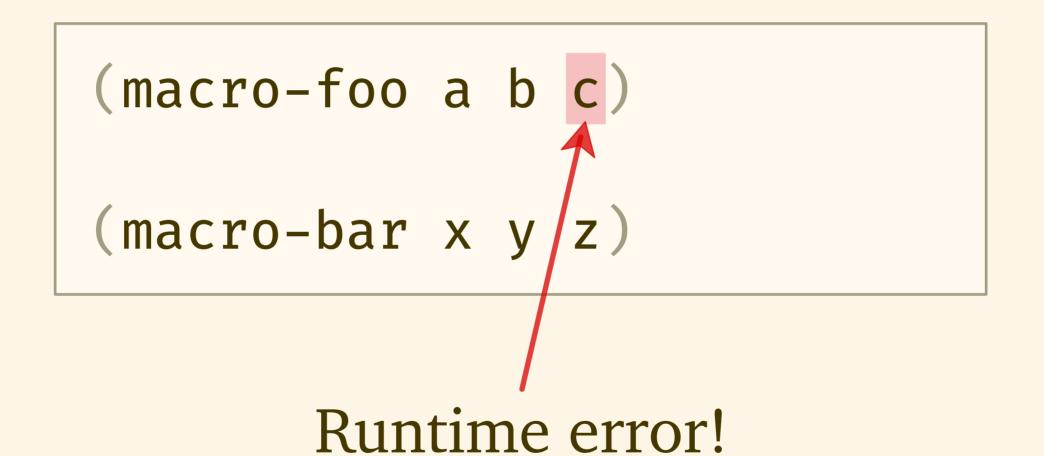


```
(let ([a b]) (λ (_) c))
(case x [y z])
```









When Macros Go Wrong

Errors in expanded code.

```
(let ([a b]) (λ (_) c))
```

Misused macros.

```
(let ([1 2]) 3)
```

Identifier name conflicts.

```
(define-syntax-rule (or x y)
  (let ([tmp x]) (if tmp tmp y)))
(let ([tmp 42]) (or #f (* 2 tmp)))
```

```
data HsExpr p
  = HsVar (Located (IdP p))
   HsUnboundVar UnboundVar
  HsConLikeOut ConLike
   HsRecFld (AmbiguousFieldOcc p)
   HsOverLabel (Maybe (IdP p)) FastString
   HsIPVar HsIPName
   HsOverLit (HsOverLit p)
  HsLit (HsLit p)
   HsLam (MatchGroup p (LHsExpr p))
   HsLamCase (MatchGroup p (LHsExpr p))
   HsApp (LHsExpr p) (LHsExpr p)
   HsAppType (LHsExpr p) (LHsWcType p)
   HsAppTypeOut (LHsExpr p) (LHsWcType GhcRn)
           (LHsExpr p)
   OpApp
```

```
(PostRn p Fixity
(LHSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
(SyntaxExpr p)
(HSPar (LHSExpr p)
(SectionL (LHSExpr p)
(SectionR (LHSExpr p)
               [LHsTupArg p]
Boxity
ExplicitSum
ConTag
            ConTag
Arity
(LHsExpr p)
(PostTc p [Type])
| HsCase (LHSExpr p)
(MatchGroup p (LHSExpr p))
(LHSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
| HsMultilf (PostTc p Type) [LGRHS p (LHSExpr p)]
| HsLet (LHSLocalBinds p)
(LHSExpr p)
| HSD0 (HSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
| LHSExpr p)
| HSD0 (LHSExpr p)
                                                              (Located [ExprLStmt p])
(PostTc p Type)
             | ExplicitPArr (PostTc p Type) [LHSExpr p]
                | RecordCon
                           { rcon_con_name :: Located (IdP p)
, rcon_con_like :: PostTc p ConLike
, rcon_con_expr :: PostTcExpr
, rcon_flds :: HsRecordBinds p }
               , rcon_tlds :: HsRecordBinds p
| RecordUpd
{ rupd_expr :: LHsRexpr p
, rupd_flds :: [LHsRecUpdField p]
, rupd_cons :: PostTc p [ConLike]
, rupd_in_tys :: PostTc p [Type]
, rupd_out_tys :: PostTc p [Type]
, rupd_wrap :: PostTc p HsWrapper
             }
| ExprWithTySig (LHsExpr p) (LHsSigWcType p)
| ExprWithTySigOut (LHsExpr p) (LHsExpr p) (LHsExpr p) (LHsExpr p) (LHsExpr p) | ArithSen
                | ArithSeq
                                                          PostTcExpr
(Maybe (SyntaxExpr p))
(ArithSeqInfo p)
               | PArrSeq
             | PArrSeq | PostTcExpr (ArithSeqInfo p) | HsSCC | SourceText StringLiteral (LHsExpr p) | HsCoreAnn | SourceText StringLiteral (LHsExpr p) | HsBracket (HsExpr p) | HsBracket (HsBracket p) | HsBracket GhcRn | [PendingRnSplice]
            (HsBracket GhcRn)
[PendingRnSplice]
| HsTcBracketOut
(HsBracket GhcRn)
[PendingTcSplice]
| HsSpliceE (HsSplice p)
| HsProc (LPat p)
| UHSCmdTop p)
| HsStatic (PostRn p NameSet)
                                                (LHsExpr p)
             (LHSEXPT p)
| HSATTAPP
(LHSEXPT p)
(LHSEXPT p)
(POSTTC p Type)
    (LHSEXPT P)
(POSTIC p Type)
HSATrAPPTYPE
BOOL
HSATRFORM
(LHSEXPT p)
(Maybe Fixity)
[LHSCMITOP p]
HSTICK
(Tickish (IdP p))
(LHSEXPT P)
HSBINTICK
Int
Int
(LHSEXPT P)
HSTICKPragma
SourceText
(StringLiteral,(Int,Int),(Int,Int))
((SourceText,SourceText),(SourceText,SourceText))
(LHSEXPT P)
EWILDPAT
EASPAT (LLOCATED (IDP)
(LHSEXPT P)
EWILDPAT
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EVIEWPAT (LHSEXPT P)
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                                                            (Located (IdP p))
(LHsExpr p)
(LHsExpr p)
                  | EViewPat
                                                             (LHSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
(LHSExpr p)
HSWrapper
(HSExpr p)
                | ELazyPat
| HsWrap
```

126 lines!

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 [GET "hello" → String → String ⇒ greet])
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Macros vs. Splices

macro : AST → AST

splice : Value ... → AST

Macros

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```

Splices

Splices in Template Haskell

splice : Value ... → AST*

* may not contain splices!

GHC Stage Restriction

```
x = 7
$(doSomethingAtCompileTime x)
```

```
someLocalTemplateFunction :: String → Q [Dec]
someLocalTemplateFunction = ...
$(someLocalTemplateFunction "foo")
```

GHC Stage Restriction

```
(begin-for-syntax
  (def x 7))
  (do-something-at-compile-time x)
```

```
(define-syntax (some-local-macro stx)
...)
(some-local-macro "foo")
```

Expansion Order

```
$(makeSomeDatatype "Foo" ''Bar)
$(makeSomeDatatype "Bar" ''Foo)
```

```
(def-some-datatype Foo Bar)
(def-some-datatype Bar Foo)
```

Template Haskell

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splices

macros

stage restriction

flexible phase system

declaration groups

mutually recursive definitions

pseudo-hygiene

full hygiene

procedural only

pattern-based macros

limited reflection

type-directed macros