

# Introduction to Clojure



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# Bullet Points

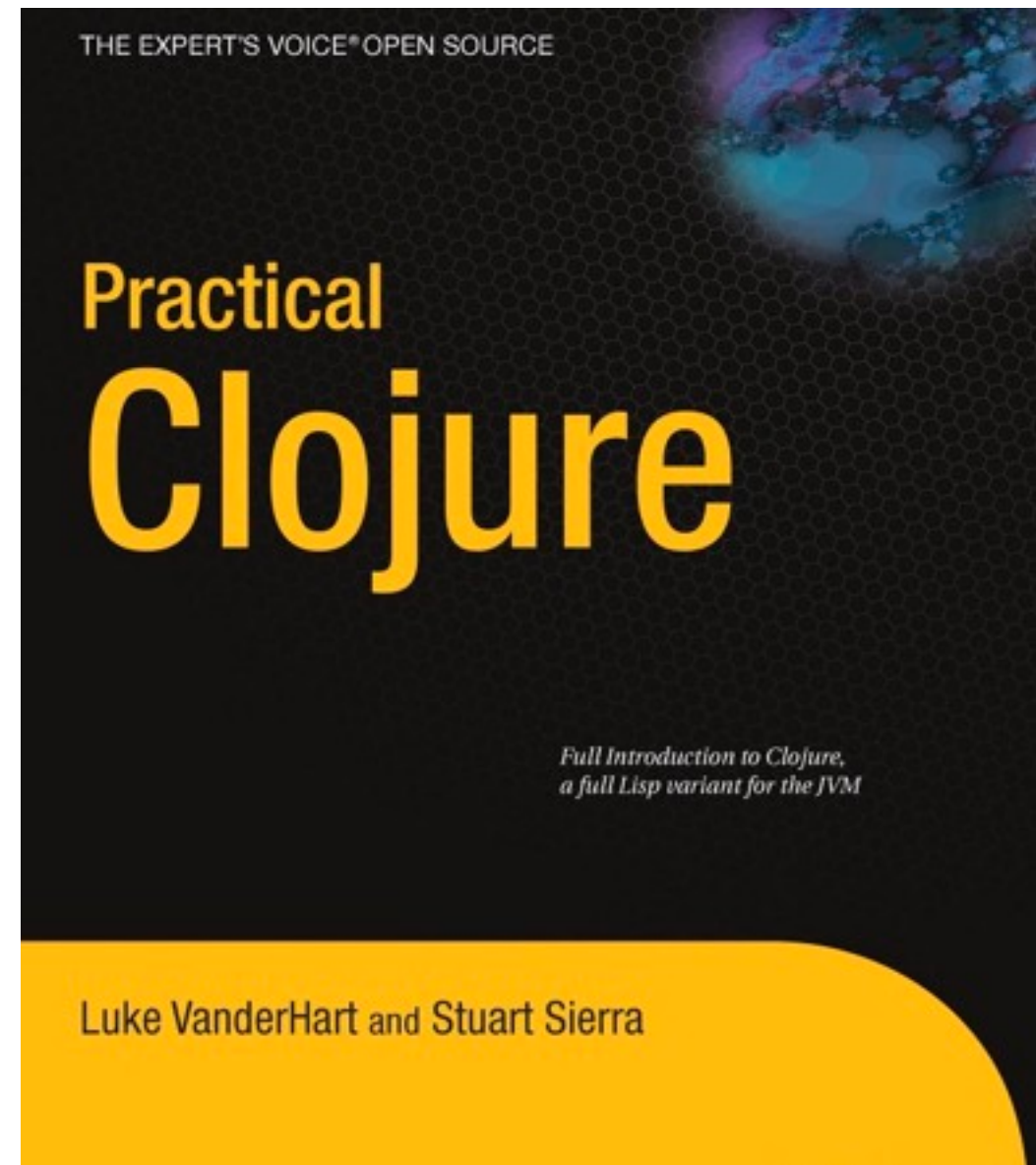
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- Java Interop
- Libraries
- Namespaces
- Concurrency
- Macros
- Recursion

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# Where are you from?

- Lisp?
- Java / C# / C++
- ML / Haskell?
- Python / Ruby / Perl?
- Clojure?
- Multithreaded programming?

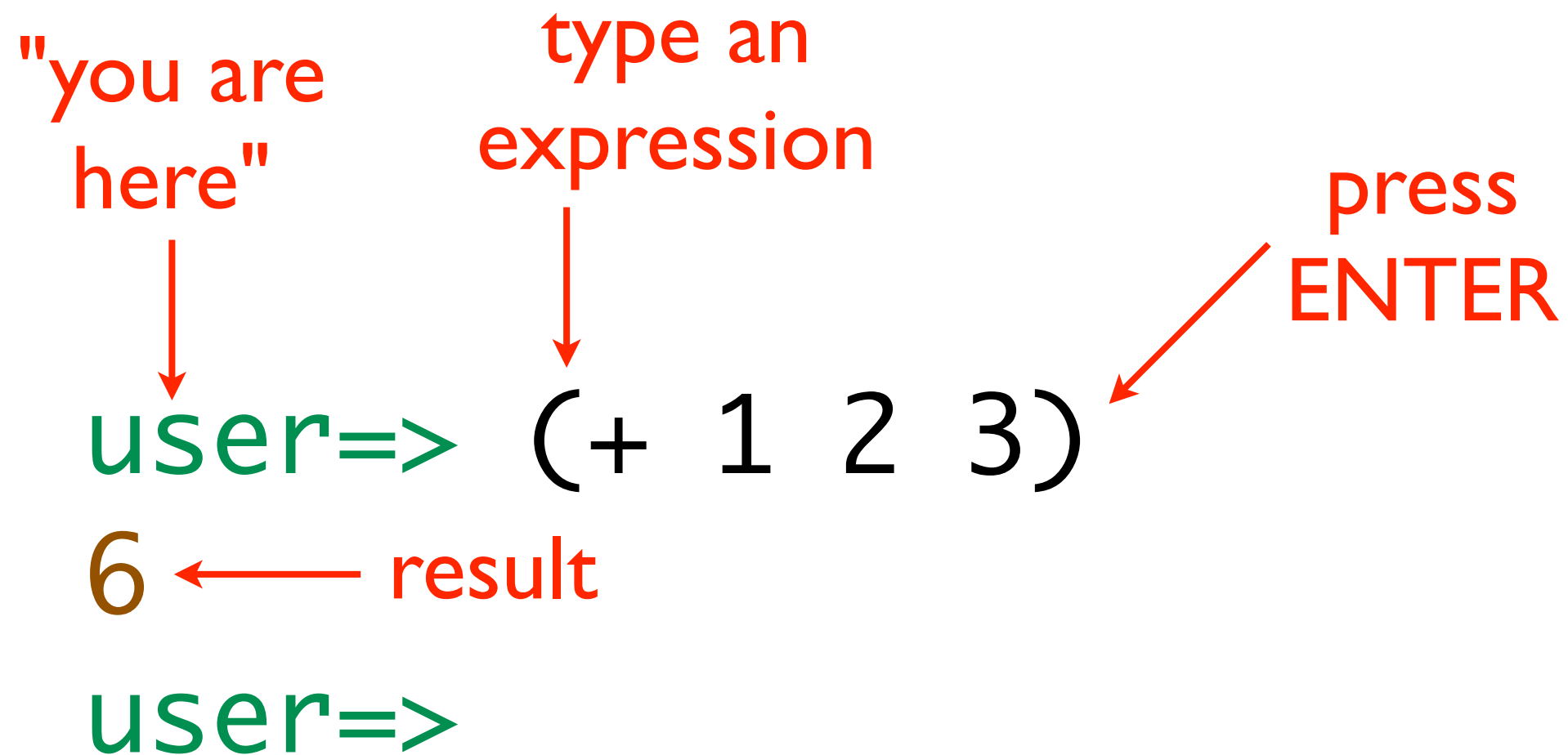
# The REPL



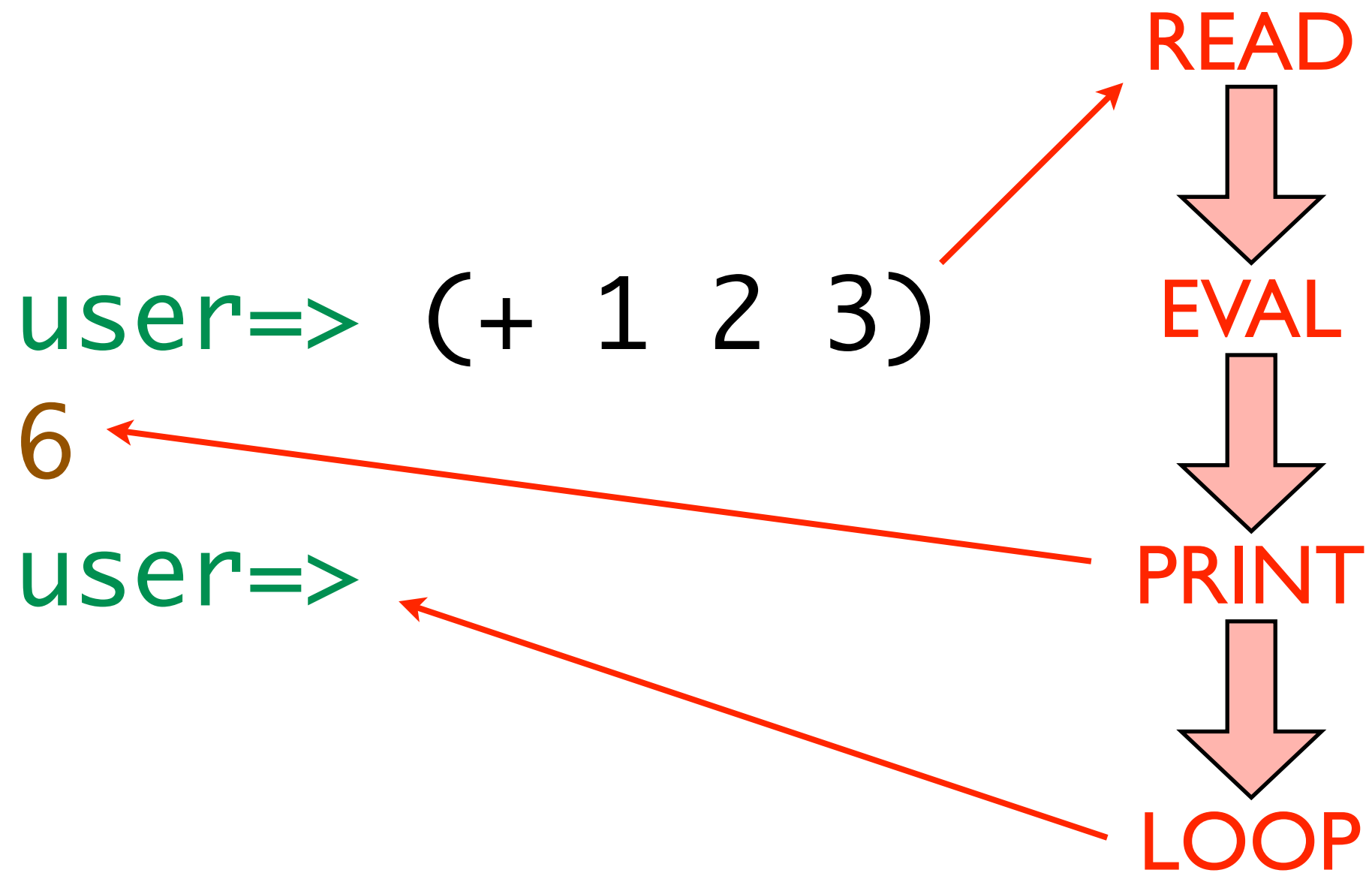
# The REPL

- READ
- EVALuate
- PRINT
- LOOP

# The REPL



# The REPL





# The REPL

expression with  
side effects

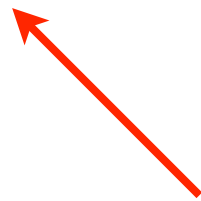


```
user=> (println "Hello, World!")  
Hello, World!
```

nil

printed output

return value



# REPL Helpers: doc

user=> (doc when)

-----

clojure.core/when ← Fully-qualified name  
([test & body]) ← Arguments

Macro

Evaluates test. If logical true,  
evaluates body in an implicit do.

nil

# REPL Helpers: find-doc

```
user=> (find-doc "sequence")  
... all definitions with "sequence"  
in their documentation ...  
nil
```

# REPL Helpers: apropos

```
user=> (apropos "map")  
(sorted-map ns-unmap zipmap map  
mapcat sorted-map-by map? amap  
struct-map proxy-mappings pmap map-  
indexed ns-map array-map hash-map)
```

# REPL Helpers: source

```
user=> (source take)
```

```
(defn take
```

```
  "Returns a lazy sequence of the first n items in coll, or all  
  items if there are fewer than n."
```

```
  {:added "1.0"
```

```
   :static true}
```

```
  [n coll]
```

```
  (lazy-seq
```

```
    (when (pos? n)
```

```
      (when-let [s (seq coll)]
```

```
        (cons (first s) (take (dec n) (rest s))))))
```

```
nil
```

Source code of  
the 'take' function

# Data and Code



# Literals

example	Java type
"hello"	String
\e	Character
42	Long
6.022e23	Double
1.0M	BigDecimal
9223372036854775808N	clojure.lang.BigInt
22/7	clojure.lang.Ratio
#"he1+o"	java.util.regex.Pattern

# Literals

example	java type
<code>nil</code>	<code>null</code>
<code>true</code> <code>false</code>	<code>Boolean</code>
<code>println</code> <code>even?</code> <code>+</code>	<code>clojure.lang.Symbol</code>
<code>:beta</code> <code>::gamma</code>	<code>clojure.lang.Keyword</code>



# Data Structures

type	example	properties
list	(1 2 3)	singly-linked, grow at front
vector	[1 2 3]	indexed, grow at end
map	{:a 1, :b 20}	key/value pairs
set	#{1 7 3}	unordered, unique keys

Commas,, are,,,  
,, whitespace,,,,,

# Comments

```
;;; File-level comment
```

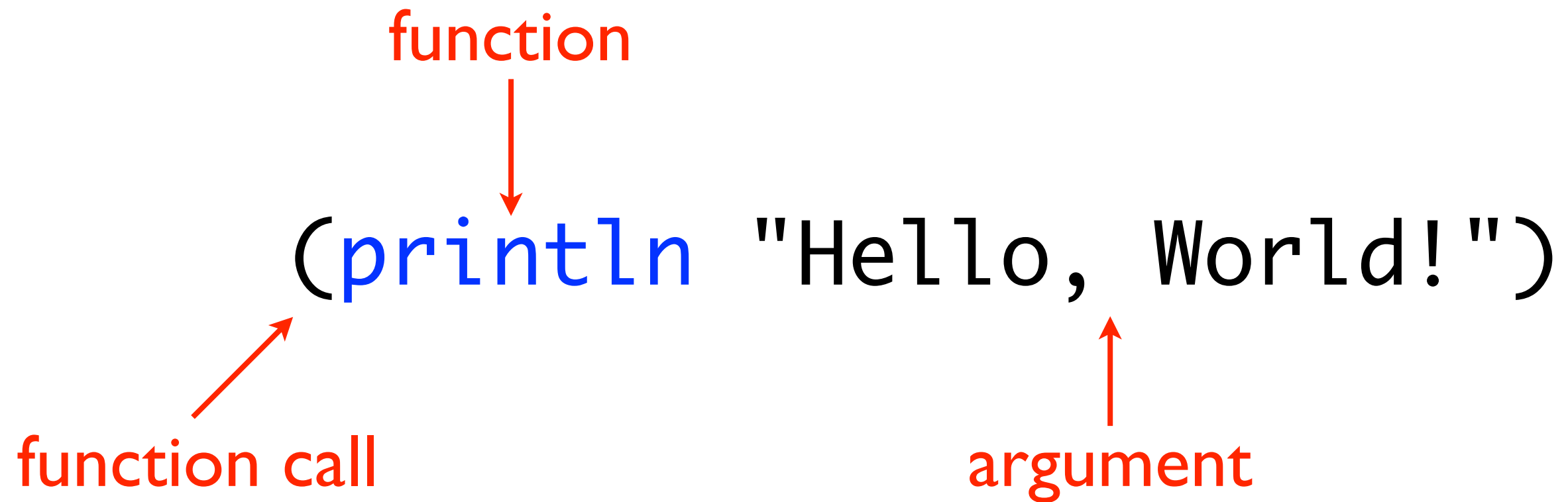
```
(let [x 6, y 7]  
  ;; Block-level comment,  
  ;; indented like code  
  (println "Hello, World!")  
  (* 6 7)) ; end-of-line comment
```

# Structure

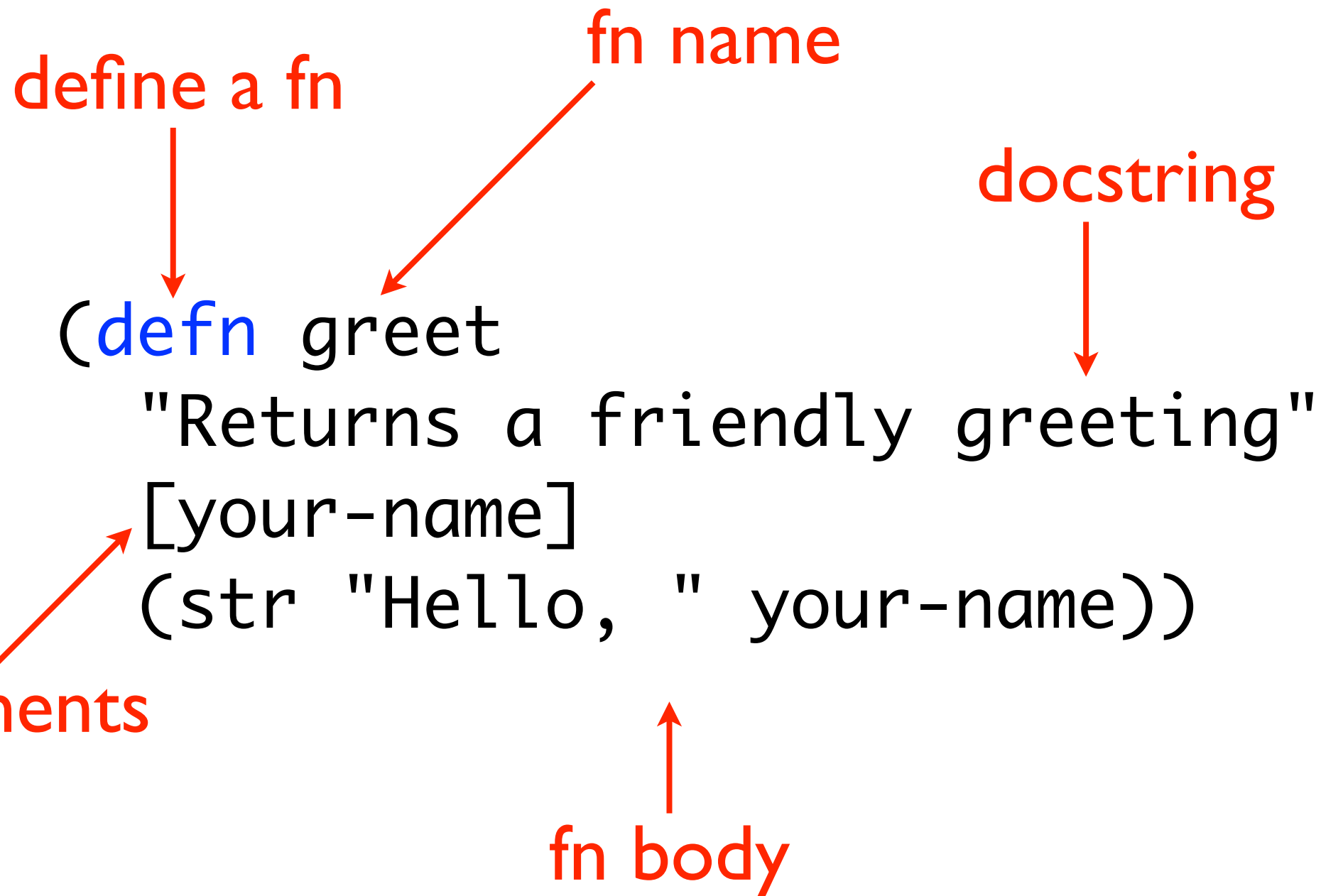
The diagram illustrates the structure of the code `(println "Hello, World!")`. Three red arrows point from labels above to parts of the code:   
 - The label `list` points to the opening parenthesis `(`.   
 - The label `symbol` points to the function name `println`.   
 - The label `string` points to the opening quote `"` of the string `"Hello, World!"`.

```
(println "Hello, World!")
```

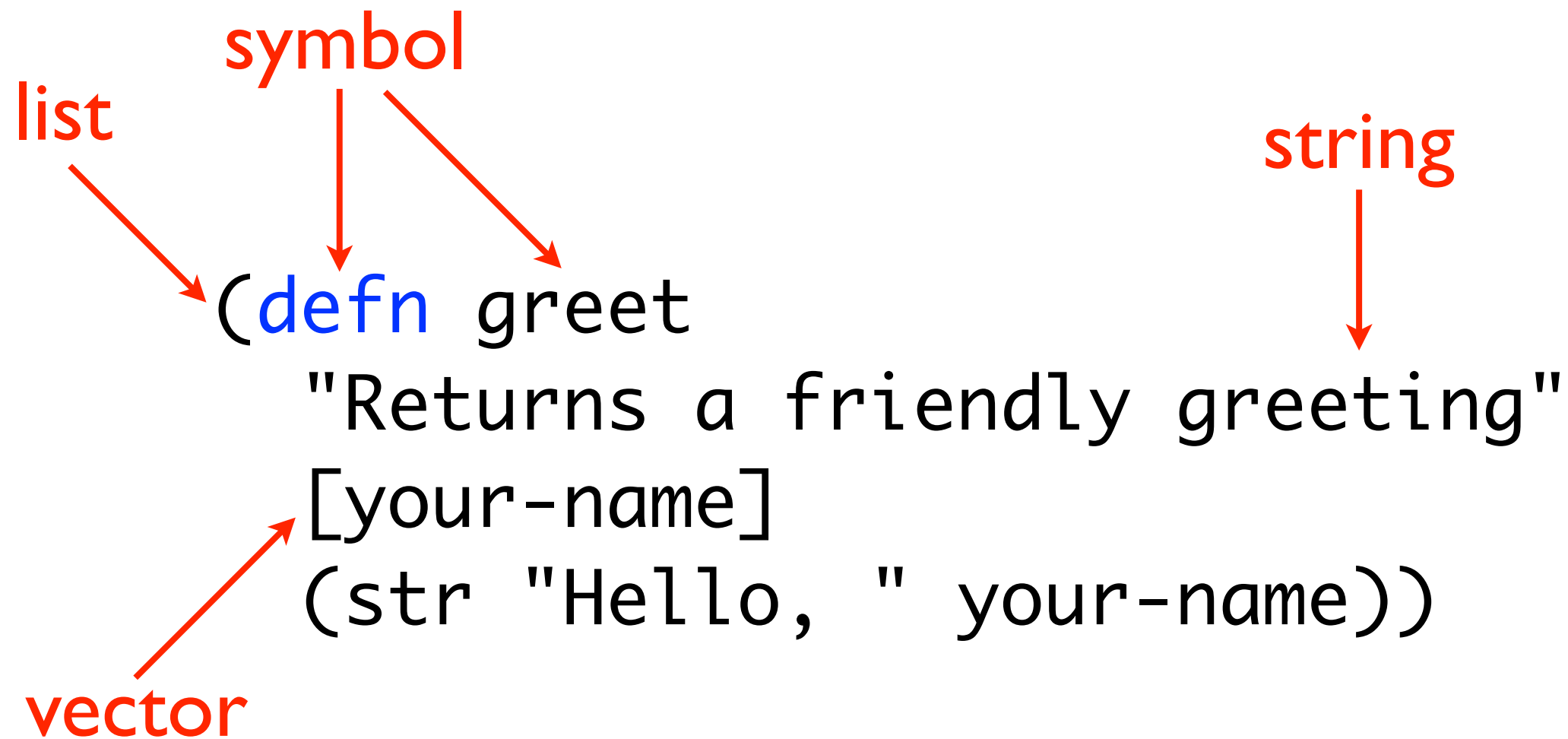
# Semantics



# defn Semantics



# defn Structure



# All forms created equal

form	syntax	example
function	list	<code>(println "hello")</code>
"operator"	list	<code>(+ 1 2)</code>
method call	list	<code>(.trim " hello ")</code>
loading	list	<code>(require 'mylib)</code>
metadata	list	<code>(with-meta obj m)</code>
control flow	list	<code>(when valid? (proceed))</code>
scope	list	<code>(let [x 5] ...)</code>



# Invocation Forms

(*op* . . .)



- Special Form
  - Macro
  - Function
- or any invocable thing
- Expression which returns an invocable thing

# Invocation Forms

```
user=> (1 2 3)
```

```
ClassCastException java.lang.Long  
cannot be cast to clojure.lang.IFn
```

# Invocation Forms

not an invocable thing

user=> (1 2 3)

ClassCastException java.lang.Long  
cannot be cast to clojure.lang.IFn

invocable things

# I 4 Special Forms

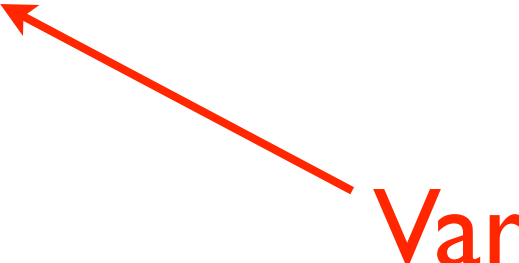
def if fn let  
loop recur do  
new . throw try  
set! quote var

# Special Form: def

(**def** *symbol value-expr?*)

# Special Form: def

```
user=> (def answer (* 6 7))  
#'user/answer  
user=> answer  
42
```



Var

# Special Form: if

```
(if condition  
  then-expr  
  else-expr?)
```

# Special Form: if

```
user=> (if (even? 42) "even" "odd")  
"even"
```

```
user=> (if (even? 7) "even")  
nil
```



# Truthiness

	Clojure	Java	Common Lisp	Scheme
null value	nil	null	nil or ()	
boolean values	true / false	true / false	t / nil	#t / #f
"falsey"	nil or false	false	nil or ()	#f
"truthy"	everything else	true	everything else	everything else

# Special Form: do

(**do** *exprs\**)

# Special Form: do

```
user=> (do 1 2 3)
```

3

```
user=> (do (println 42 "is even")  
          42)
```

42 is even

42

# Special Form: do

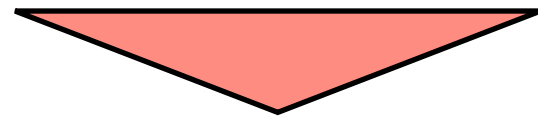
```
user=> (if (even? 42)
           (do (println 42 "is even")
                42)))
```

42 is even

42

# Macro: when

(*when condition*  
*exprs\**)



(*if condition*  
*(do exprs\*)*)

# Macro: when

```
user=> (when (even? 42)
          (println 42 "is even")
          42)
```

42 is even

42

# Special Form: quote

(quote *form*)

▮ *form*

# Special Form: quote

```
user=> (1 2 3)
```

```
ClassCastException java.lang.Long  
cannot be cast to clojure.lang.IFn
```

```
user=> (quote (1 2 3))
```

```
(1 2 3)
```

```
user=> '(1 2 3)
```

```
(1 2 3)
```

```
user=> (list 1 2 3)
```

```
(1 2 3)
```



# Special Form: let

```
(let [bindings*]  
  exprs*)
```

# Special Form: let

Binding forms

user=> (let [x 6, y 7] (\* x y))  
42

Value expressions

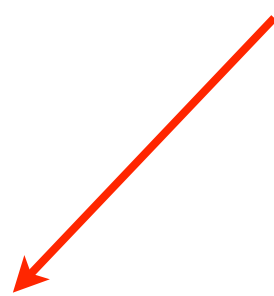
The diagram illustrates the components of a 'let' special form. The text 'Binding forms' is positioned above the variable-value pairs '[x 6, y 7]' in the expression '(let [x 6, y 7] (\* x y))'. Two red arrows point from this text to the 'x 6' and 'y 7' pairs. The text 'Value expressions' is positioned below the values '6' and '7'. Two red arrows point from this text to the '6' and '7' values. The entire expression is preceded by 'user=>' and followed by the result '42'.

# Special Form: let

Earlier bindings  
available

user=> (let [x 6  
              y (+ x 1)]  
          (\* x y))

42



# Special Form: let

```
user=> (let [x 6  
            y (+ x 1)]  
        (println (* x y))  
        (let [y 10]  
          (println (* x y))))
```

42

60

nil

Rebinding is allowed



# Special Form: let

```
user=> (let [x 5]
         (let [y x]
           (let [y y]
             (let [z (+ x y)]
               z)))))
```

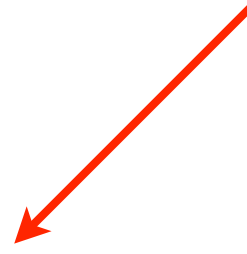
# Special Form: fn

(fn [*params\**] *exprs\**)

(fn ([*params\**] *exprs\**) +)

# Special Form: fn

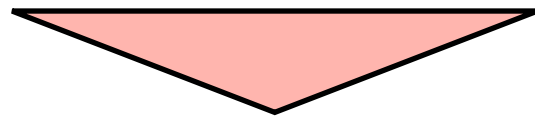
compiled fn



```
user=> (fn [x] (+ x 5))  
#<user$eval1456$fn__1457>  
user=> (def add5 (fn [x] (+ x 5)))  
#'user/add5  
user=> (add5 10)  
15
```

# Macro: defn

(**defn** *symbol* [*params\**] *exprs\**)



(**def** *symbol* (**fn** [*params\**] *exprs\**))



# Arity

```
user=> (defn greet
        ([ ] (greet "Clojure" "programmer"))
        ([name] (greet name "the programmer"))
        ([first-name last-name]
         (println "Hello," first-name last-name)))
```

```
#'user/greet
```

```
user=> (greet)
Hello, Clojure programmer
nil
```

```
user=> (greet "Stuart")
Hello, Stuart the programmer
nil
```

```
user=> (greet "Stuart" "Sierra")
Hello, Stuart Sierra
nil
```

# Variadic

```
user=> (defn greet
        ([name] (println "Hello," name))
        ([name & others]
         (println "Hello," name "and friends" others)))

#'user/greet
user=> (greet "Stuart")
Hello, Stuart
nil
user=> (greet "Stuart" "Aaron" "Fogus" "Chouser")
Hello, Stuart and friends (Aaron Fogus Chouser)
nil
```

# Working with Data



# Value Equality

```
user=> (= [1 2 3] [1 2 3])
```

```
true
```

```
user=> (= [1 2 3] [1.0 2.0 3.0])
```

```
true
```

```
user=> (= [1 2 3] '(1 2 3))
```

```
true
```

# Reference Equality

```
user=> (= (StringBuilder. "a")  
          (StringBuilder. "a"))
```

false

```
user=> (identical? [1 2 3] [1 2 3])
```

false

```
user=> (identical? 2.0 2)
```

false

# Reference Equality

```
user=> (= :a :a)
```

```
true
```

```
user=> (identical? :a :a)
```

```
true
```

```
user=> (= 'a 'a)
```

```
true
```

```
user=> (identical? 'a 'a)
```

```
false
```

# Collections

```
user=> (count [:a :b :c])  
3
```

```
user=> (coll? [:a :b :c])  
true
```

```
user=> (vector? [:a :b :c])  
true
```

```
user=> (list? [:a :b :c])  
false
```

# Sequential Things

- List
- Vector



# Sequential Things

```
user=> (def v [:a :b :c :d])
```

```
#'user/v
```

```
user=> (first v)
```

```
:a
```

```
user=> (second v)
```

```
:b
```

```
user=> (def w (vector 10 11 12 13))
```

```
#'user/w
```

```
user=> (nth w 3)
```

```
13
```

# conj

```
user=> (def v [:a :b :c :d])
```

```
#'user/v
```

```
user=> (conj v :more)
```

```
[:a :b :c :d :more]
```

Vectors grow  
at the end

```
user=> (def lst (list 1 2 3 4))
```

```
#'user/lst
```

```
user=> (conj lst :more)
```

```
(:more 1 2 3 4)
```

Lists grow  
at the front

# Associative Things

- Map
  - Hash map
  - Array map
- Vector (sometimes)

# Maps: get

```
user=> (def m {:a 1 :b 2})
```

```
#'user/m
```

```
user=> (get m :a)
```

```
1
```


```
user=> (m :a)
```

```
1
```

```
user=> (:a m)
```

```
1
```

Maps are  
invocable



So are keywords



# Maps: assoc

```
user=> (def m (hash-map :a 1 :b 2))
```

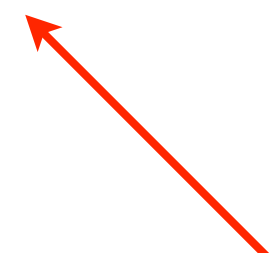
```
#'user/m
```

```
user=> (assoc m :c 3 :d 4)
```

```
{:a 1, :c 3, :b 2, :d 4}
```

```
user=> (assoc m :a 17)
```

```
{:a 17, :b 2}
```



new map  
with added  
key-value pairs

# Maps

```
user=> (def m {:a 1 :b 2})
```

```
#'user/m
```

```
user=> (dissoc m :a)
```

```
{:b 2}
```

```
user=> (keys m)
```

```
(:a :b)
```

```
user=> (conj m [:c 3])
```

```
{:a 1, :c 3, :b 2}
```



conj on a map  
takes a vector pair

# Maps: merge

```
user=> (def m {:a 1 :b 2})  
#'user/m  
user=> (merge m {:b 17 :c 22})  
{:a 1, :c 22, :b 17}
```

# Maps: zipmap

```
user=> (zipmap [:a :b :c] [1 2 3])  
{:c 3, :b 2, :a 1}
```



# Maps: get-in

```
user=> (def person
         {:name {:first "Stuart"
                  :last  "Sierra"}
          :address {:city "Brooklyn"
                    :state "New York"}})

#'user/person
user=> (:first (:name person))
"Stuart"
user=> (get-in person [:name :first])
"Stuart"
```

# Maps: assoc-in

```
user=> (def person
         {:name {:first "Stuart"
                  :last  "Sierra"}
          :address {:city "Brooklyn"
                    :state "New York"}})

#'user/person
user=> (assoc-in person [:name :last] "Halloway")
{:name {:last "Halloway", :first "Stuart"},
 :address {:state "New York", :city "Brooklyn"}}
```

# Vectors are Associative

```
user=> (def v [:a :b :c])  
#'user/v  
user=> (assoc v 1 "Hello")  
[:a "Hello" :c]
```

# Sets

```
user=> (def s #{1 2 3})
```

```
#'user/s
```

```
user=> s
```

```
#{1 2 3}
```

```
user=> (conj s 17)
```

```
#{1 2 3 17}
```

```
user=> (conj s 2)
```

```
#{1 2 3}
```

# Sets

```
user=> (def v [1 2 3 1 2 3 4])
```

```
#'user/v
```

```
user=> (set v)
```

```
#{1 2 3 4}
```

# Sets: contains?

```
user=> (def s #{1 2 3})
```

```
#'user/s
```

```
user=> (contains? s 3)
```

```
true
```

```
user=> (contains? s 17)
```

```
false
```



Checks keys,  
not values

# Sets: invocation

```
user=> (def s #{1 2 3})
```

```
#'user/s
```

```
user=> (s 3)
```

```
3
```

```
user=> (s 17)
```

```
nil
```

Returns object  
if it's in the set



# Destructuring





# Destructuring

```
user=> (def stuff [7 8 9 10])  
#'user/stuff
```

```
user=> (let [[a b c d] stuff]  
        (list (+ a b) (+ c d)))  
(15 19)
```

# Destructuring


```
(let [bindings*]  
  exprs*)
```

# Destructuring

```
(let [binding-form value-expr]  
  exprs*)
```

# Sequential Destructuring

Binding form                      Value expression



```
(let [a b c d] stuff  
    exprs*)
```

# Sequential Destructuring

```
(let [[a b c d] stuff] ...
```

Evaluate

```
(let [[a b c d] [7 8 9 10]] ...
```

```
(let [a 7  
      b 8  
      c 9  
      d 10] ...
```

Destructure

# Sequential Destructuring

```
user=> (def stuff [7 8 9 10])  
#'user/stuff
```

```
user=> (let [[a & others] stuff]  
        (println a)  
        (println others))
```

```
7
```


```
(8 9 10)
```

```
nil
```

# Sequential Destructuring

Get the first one or  
more elements

Get all remaining  
elements



```
(let [symbol+ & symbol] expr]  
  exprs*)
```

The diagram illustrates the syntax for sequential destructuring in R. Two red arrows point from the descriptive text above to the corresponding parts of the code below. The first arrow points from "Get the first one or more elements" to the *symbol*+ part of the destructuring list. The second arrow points from "Get all remaining elements" to the & *symbol* part of the destructuring list.

# Associative Destructuring

```
user=> (def m {:a 7 :b 4})  
#'user/m  
user=> (let [{a :a, b :b} m]  
        [a b])  
[7 4]
```



# Associative Destructuring

```
user=> (def m {:a 7 :b 4})
```

```
#'user/m
```

```
user=> (let [{:keys [a b]} m]  
        [a b])
```

```
[7 4]
```

# Keyword Destructuring

```
user=> (def m {:a 7 :b 4})
```

```
#'user/m
```

```
user=> (let [{:keys [a b c]} m]  
        [a b c])
```

```
[7 4 nil]
```

# Destructuring with Default Values

```
user=> (def m {:a 7 :b 4})  
#'user/m  
user=> (let [[:keys [a b c]  
              :or {c 3}] m]  
        [a b c])  
[7 4 3]
```

# Destructuring

```
(fn [params*]  
  exprs*)
```

```
(defn symbol [params*]  
  exprs*)
```

Destructuring  
works here too



# Nested Destructuring

```
user=> (def data {:a [1 2 3] :b {:c 4}})  
#'user/data
```

```
user=> (let [{[x & y] :a {:keys [c d] :or {d 10}} :b} data]  
      (+ x c d))
```

???

# Higher-Order Functions



# apply

```
user=> (def v [1 2 3 4])
#'user/v
user=> (println v)
[1 2 3 4]
nil
user=> (apply println v)
1 2 3 4
nil
user=> (println 1 2 3 4)
1 2 3 4
nil
```

# map

```
user=> (def v [1 2 3 4])
```

```
#'user/v
```

```
user=> (map (fn [x] (* 5 x)) v)  
(5 10 15 20)
```



# #() syntax

```
user=> (map (fn [x] (* 5 x)) v)  
(5 10 15 20)  
user=> (map #(* 5 %) v)  
(5 10 15 20)
```

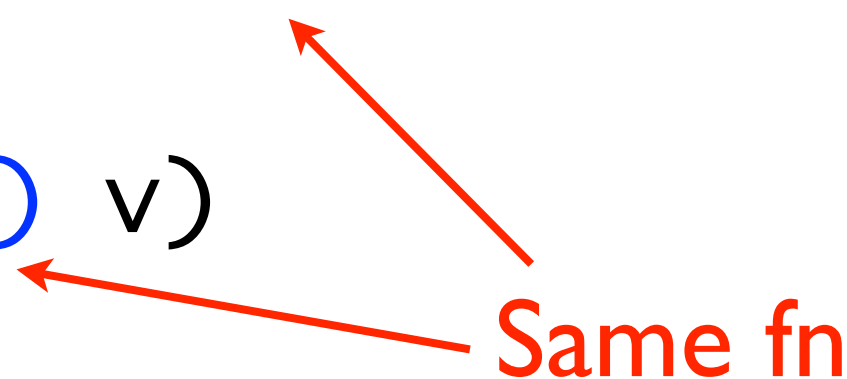


Diagram illustrating the equivalence of two function definitions:

- The first function is defined as `(fn [x] (* 5 x))`.
- The second function is defined using the `#()` syntax as `#(* 5 %)`.
- Red arrows point from the text "Same fn" to both function expressions, indicating they are equivalent.

# map

```
user=> (def v [:a :b :c])
```

```
#'user/v
```

```
user=> (def w [10 20 30 40 50])
```

```
#'user/w
```

```
user=> (map vector v w)
```

```
([:a 10] [:b 20] [:c 30])
```

# reduce

```
user=> (reduce + [1 2 3 4])  
10
```

```
user=> (+ (+ (+ 1 2) 3) 4)  
10
```

# reduce

seed value



```
user=> (reduce + 100 [1 2 3 4])  
110
```

```
user=> (+ (+ (+ (+ 100 1) 2) 3) 4)  
110
```

# reduce

destructure  
key-value pair

user=> (reduce (fn [m [k v]]  
                  (assoc m (name k) (+ 100 v)))  
seed value → {}  
                  {:a 1 :b 2})  
                  {"b" 102, "a" 101})

# filter and remove

```
user=> (filter even? [1 2 3 4 5])  
(2 4)
```

```
user=> (filter (set "aeiou") "Hello, World!")  
(\e \o \o)
```

```
user=> (apply str (remove (set "aeiou") "Hello, World!"))  
"Hll, Wrld!"
```

# Maps: assoc-in

```
user=> (def person
         {:name {:first "Stuart"
                  :last  "Sierra"}
          :address {:city "Brooklyn"
                    :state "New York"}})

#'user/person
user=> (assoc-in person [:name :last] "Halloway")
{:name {:last "Halloway", :first "Stuart"},
 :address {:state "New York", :city "Brooklyn"}}
```

# Maps: update-in

```
user=> (def person
          {:name {:first "Stuart"
                  :last  "Sierra"}
           :address {:city "Brooklyn"
                     :state "New York"}})

#'user/person
user=> (update-in person [:name :last] #(.toUpperCase %))
{:name {:last "SIERRA", :first "Stuart"},
 :address {:state "New York", :city "Brooklyn"}}
```



# identity

```
user=> (doc identity)
```

```
-----
```

```
clojure.core/identity  
([x])
```

```
  Returns its argument.
```

```
nil
```

# filter and identity

```
user=> (def v [1 2 3 nil 4 5 nil 6])  
#'user/v  
user=> (filter identity v)  
(1 2 3 4 5 6)
```

# fnil

```
user=> (doc fnil)
```

```
-----
```

```
clojure.core/fnil
```

```
([f x] [f x y] [f x y z])
```

Takes a function f, and returns a function that calls f, replacing a nil first argument to f with the supplied value x.

# fnil

```
user=> (+ nil 3)
NullPointerException    clojure.lang.Numbers.ops
user=> (def add (fnil + 0))
#'user/add
user=> (add nil 3)
3
```

# update-in and fnil

```
user=> (def m {:foo {:a 1 :b 2} :bar {:c 3}})
#'user/m
user=> (update-in m [:foo :a] inc)
{:foo {:a 2, :b 2}, :bar {:c 3}}
user=> (update-in m [:baz :d] inc)
NullPointerException    clojure.lang.Numbers.ops
user=> (update-in m [:baz :d] (fnil inc 0))
{:foo {:a 1, :b 2}, :bar {:c 3}, :baz {:d 1}}
```

# frequencies

```
user=> (reduce (fn [m c]
                 (update-in m [c] (fn [] inc 0)))
           {})
           "a short sharp shock")
{\space 3, \a 2, \c 1, \h 3, \k 1, \o 2,
 \p 1, \r 2, \s 3, \t 1}
```

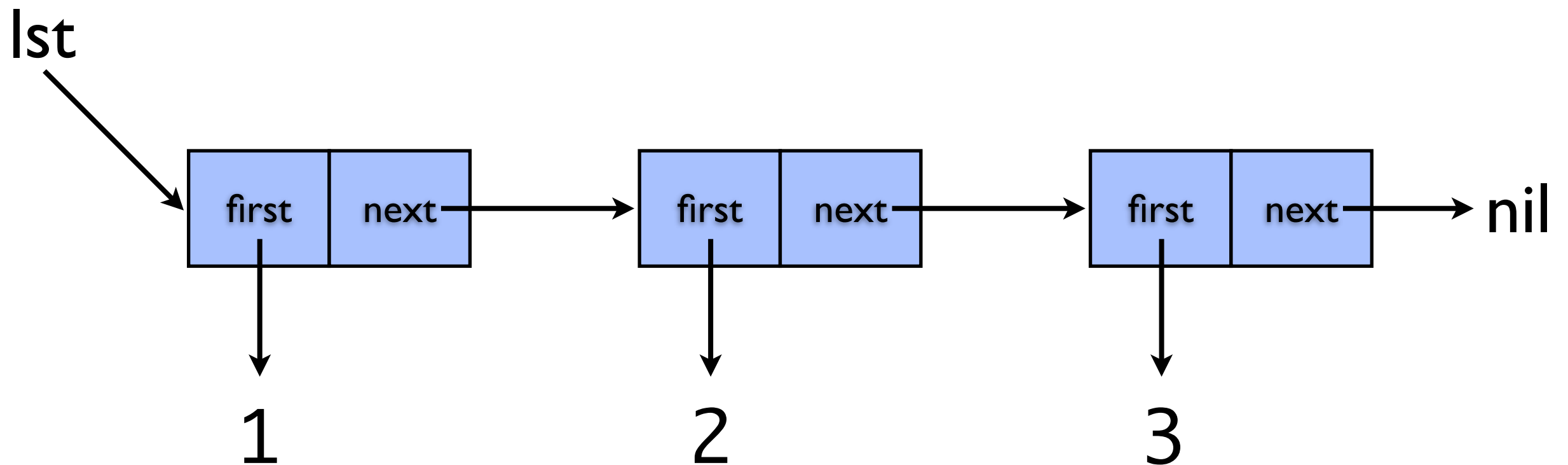
```
user=> (frequencies "a short sharp shock")
{\space 3, \a 2, \c 1, \h 3, \k 1, \o 2,
 \p 1, \r 2, \s 3, \t 1}
```

# Sequences



# Lists

```
(def lst '(1 2 3))
```





# Sequences

```
(def lst (range 1 4))  
#'user/lst
```

lst

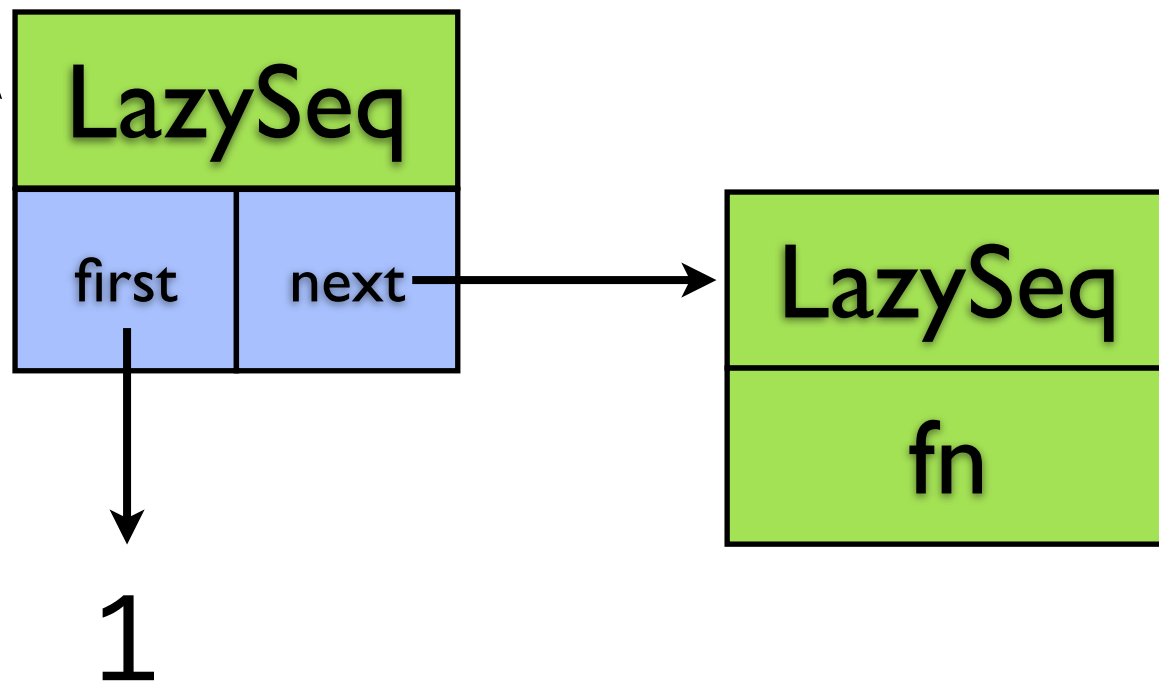


# Sequences

(first lst)

1

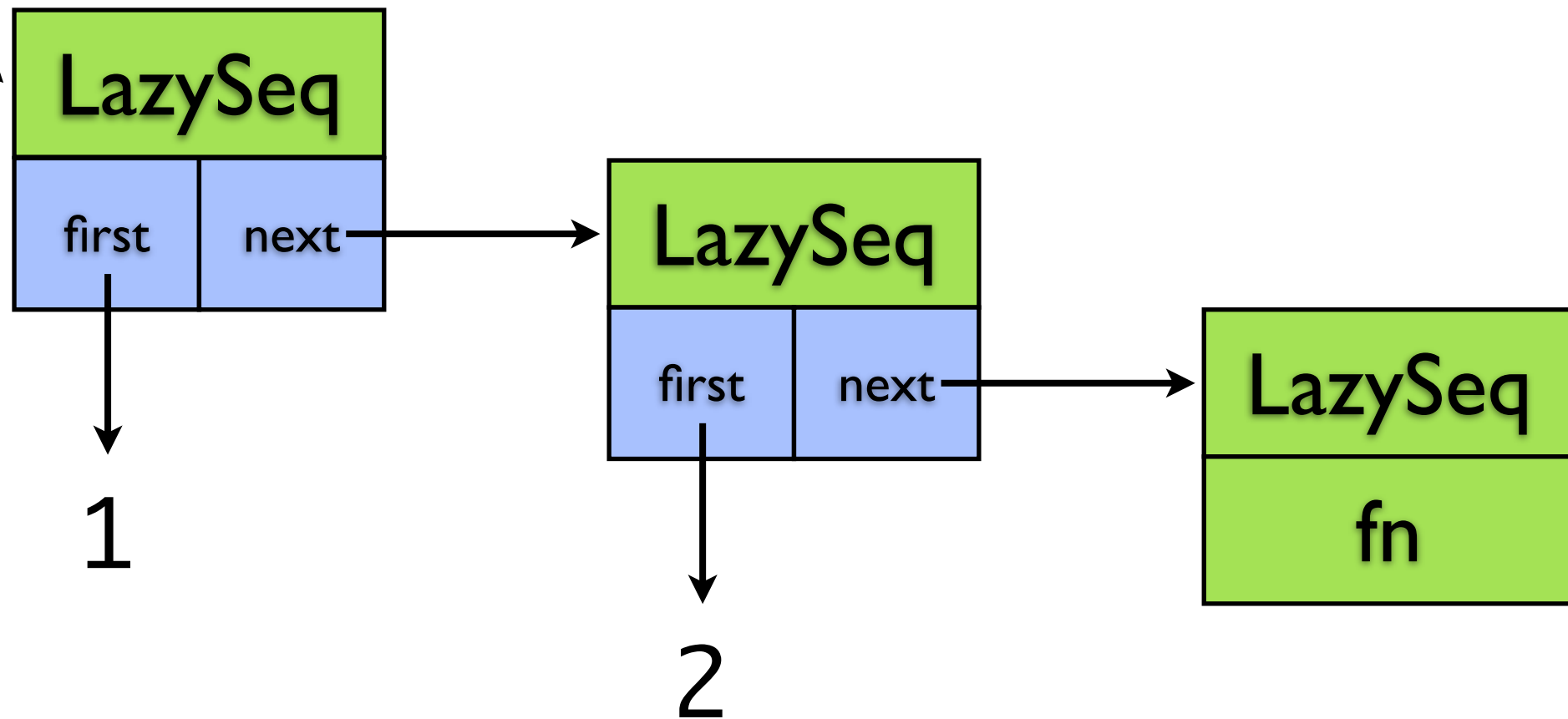
lst



# Sequences

(second lst)  
2

lst



# range

infinite!



(range)

(range *end*)

(range *start end*)

(range *start end step*)

# Infinite Sequences

```
user=> (map vector (range) [:a :b :c])  
([0 :a] [1 :b] [2 :c])
```


```
user=> (map-indexed vector [:a :b :c])  
([0 :a] [1 :b] [2 :c])
```

```
user=> (zipmap "abc" (range))  
{\c 2, \b 1, \a 0}
```

# repeat

```
user=> (repeat 5 :a)    infinite!  
(:a :a :a :a :a)
```

```
user=> (take 10 (repeat :b))  
(:b :b :b :b :b :b :b :b :b :b)
```



# seq

```
user=> (seq [1 2 3])  
(1 2 3)  
user=> (seq {:a 1 :b 2 :c 3})  
([:a 1] [:c 3] [:b 2])  
user=> (seq #{1 2 3})  
(1 2 3)  
user=> (seq [])  
nil
```

# Lazy vs. Strict

```
(with-open [file ...]  
  (line-seq file))
```

returns lazy seq  
of lines in file



file is closed here





# Lazy vs. Strict

```
(with-open [file ...]  
  (doall (line-seq file)))
```

force entire seq  
to be realized



# doall, dorun, doseq

(**doall** *sequence*) returns sequence

(**dorun** *sequence*) returns nil

(**doseq** [*symbol sequence*]  
...*body*...)

returns nil

# Java Interop



# Java Types

Clojure Literal	Java Type
"hello"	java.lang.String
3.14	java.lang.Double
[1 2 3]	java.util.List
{"a" 1, "b" 2}	java.util.Map
(fn [x] (* x 5))	java.lang.Runnable

# class and ancestors

```
user=> (class "hello")
java.lang.String
user=> (ancestors (class "hello"))
#{java.lang.CharSequence java.lang.Comparable
  java.lang.Object java.io.Serializable}
```

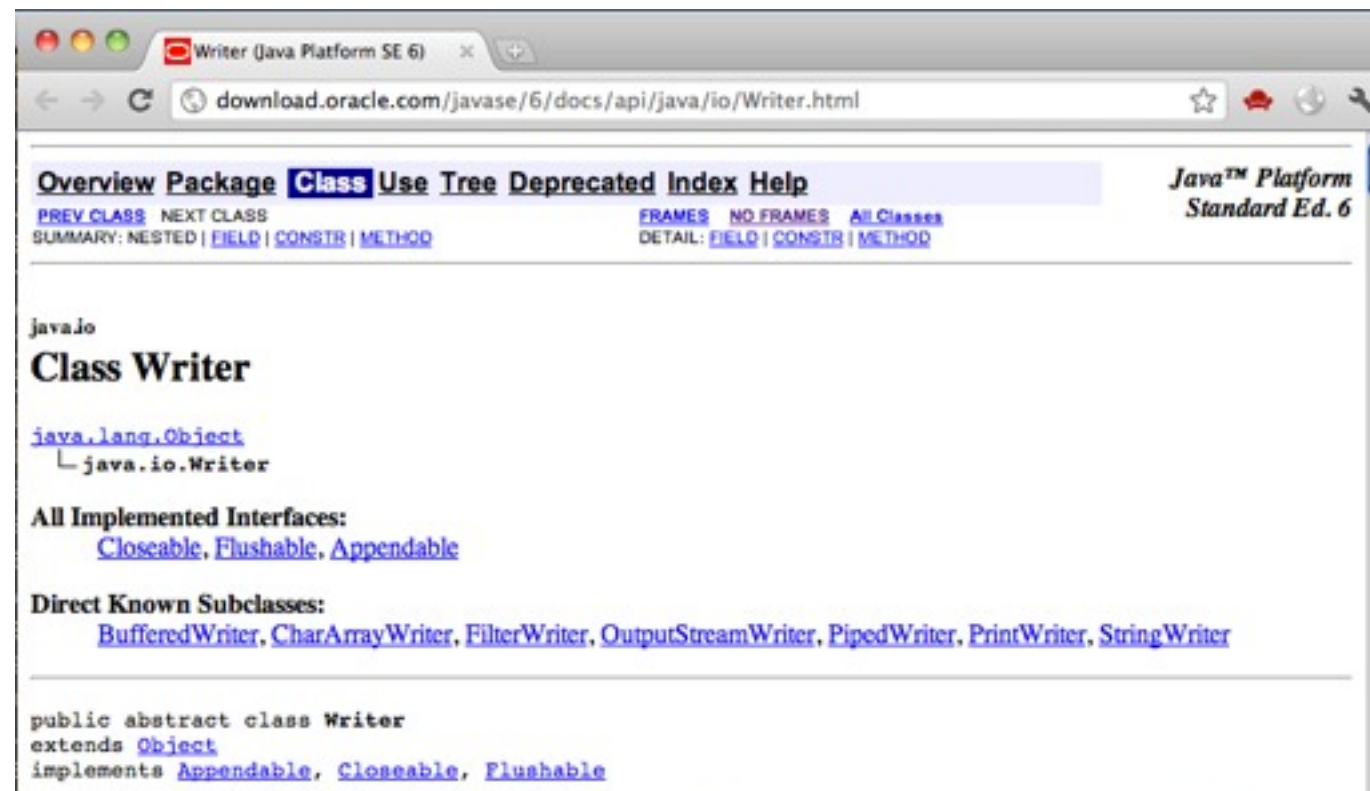
# REPL Helpers: javadoc

Java class

```
user=> (javadoc java.io.Writer)  
"http://java.sun.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/io/Writer.html"
```

Object

```
user=> (javadoc "hello")  
"http://java.sun.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/lang/String.html"
```



# Special Form: . (dot)

(*. object method arguments\**)

(*. object field*)

(*. class static-method arguments\**)

(*. class static-field*)

# Instance Method Calls

object    method    arguments

```
user=> (. "hello" charAt 0)
```

\h

```
user=> (.charAt "hello" 0)
```

\h

Syntactic sugar



# Static Method Calls

```
user=> (. Long valueOf "42")  
42
```

```
user=> (Long/valueOf "42")  
42
```

Syntactic sugar



# Static Fields

```
user=> (. Math PI)  
3.141592653589793
```

```
user=> Math/PI  
3.141592653589793
```



Syntactic sugar

# Constructors

class name

Constructor arguments

```
user=> (new java.io.File "/home")  
#<File /home>
```

Syntactic sugar

```
user=> (java.io.File. "/home")  
#<File /home>
```

# Java Import

"prefix list"

Package

Classes



```
user=> (import (java.net URL URI))  
java.net.URI
```

```
user=> (URL. "http://clojure.org/")  
#<URL http://clojure.org/>
```

# try/catch/finally

```
(try  
    ... expressions ...  
    (catch Class name  
        ... handle exception ...)  
    (finally  
        ... always do this ...))
```

# throw

(`throw` *exception*)

# throw and \*e

constructor



```
user=> (throw (Exception. "Boom!"))  
Exception Boom!  user/eval11 (NO_SOURCE_FILE:5)  
user=> *e  
#<RuntimeError java.lang.RuntimeError:  
java.lang.Exception: Boom!>
```

# print stack trace

defined in clojure.repl

user=> (pst)

Exception Boom!

user/eval11 (NO\_SOURCE\_FILE:5)

clojure.lang.Compiler.eval (Compiler.java:6424)

clojure.lang.Compiler.eval (Compiler.java:6390)

clojure.core/eval (core.clj:2795)

clojure.main/repl/read-eval-print--5967 (main.clj:244)



# Java Interop Summary

	Special Form	Sugar
Instance Method	(. obj method args*)	(.method obj args*)
Instance Field	(. obj field)	(.field obj)
Static Method	(. Class method args*)	(Class/method args*)
Static Field	(. Class field)	Class/field
Constructor	(new Class args*)	(Class. args*)

# Java Nested Classes

	Package-Qualified Class Name	Unqualified Class Name
Regular Class	<code>java.io.File</code>	<code>File</code>
Inner Class	<code>java.util.Map\$Entry</code>	<code>Map\$Entry</code>

# Libraries



# Java Classpath

Clojure source code in ./src/  
JAR files in ./lib/

```
java -cp src:lib/* clojure.main
```



classpath

# Project Management

- Leiningen
- Cake
- Maven
- Ant

# Maven

## Directory Structure

`pom.xml`

`src/main/clojure/`

`your/project/file.clj`

`src/test/clojure/`

`your/project/file_test.clj`

`target/classes/`

`compiled_file.class`

`$HOME/.m2/repository/`

`org/clojure/clojure/1.3.0/clojure-1.3.0.jar`

# Leiningen

## Directory Structure

`project.clj`

`src/`

`your/project/file.clj`

`test/`

`your/project/file_test.clj`

`classes/`

`compiled_file.class`

`lib/`

`clojure-1.3.0.jar`

# Leiningen project.clj

```
(defproject my.project.name "1.0.0"  
  :description "My cool Clojure project."  
  :dependencies [[org.clojure/clojure "1.3.0"]  
                [org.clojure/data.zip "0.1.0"]])
```

groupId



artifactId



version





# Leiningen Commands

```
$ lein help
```

Leiningen is a build tool for Clojure.

Several tasks are available:

pom

help

jar

test

deps

...

repl

new

Run `lein help $TASK` for details.

See <http://github.com/technomancy/leiningen> as well.

# Finding Dependencies

- [search.maven.org](http://search.maven.org)
- [jarvana.com](http://jarvana.com)
- [clojars.org](http://clojars.org)

# clojure-contrib

## up to 1.2

- One big library
- Version number matches Clojure
- Mixed quality

Clojure	clojure-contrib
1.0.0	1.0.0
1.1.0	1.1.0
1.2.0 1.2.1	1.2.0

# clojure-contrib after 1.2

- Many small libraries
- Independent version numbers
- Compatible with Clojure 1.2 and 1.3
- Mixed quality

[dev.clojure.org/display/doc/Clojure+Contrib](http://dev.clojure.org/display/doc/Clojure+Contrib)

algo.monads  
core.incubator  
core.logic  
core.match  
core.unify  
data.csv  
data.finger-tree  
data.json  
data.priority-map  
data.xml  
data.zip  
java.classpath  
java.data  
java.jdbc  
java.jmx  
math.combinatorics  
math.numeric-tower  
test.generative  
tools.cli  
tools.logging  
tools.macro  
tools.namespace  
tools.nrepl  
tools.trace

# Included in Clojure

- `clojure.inspector`
- `clojure.java.io`
- `clojure.java.browse`
- `clojure.java.shell`
- `clojure.reflect`
- `clojure.repl`
- `clojure.string`
- `clojure.set`
- `clojure.test`
- `clojure.walk`
- `clojure.xml`
- `clojure.zip`

# Namespaces



# The REPL

"you are  
here"



user=> (+ 1 2 3)

6

user=>

# Namespaces

```
user=> (ns my.cool.thing)
```

```
nil
```

```
my.cool.thing=>
```

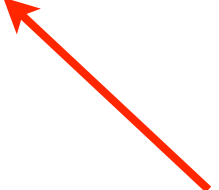


"you are here"



# Qualified Symbols

```
user=> (ns foo.bar)
nil
foo.bar=> (defn hello []
           (println "Hello, World!"))
#'foo.bar/hello
foo.bar=> (ns baz.quux)
nil
baz.quux=> (foo.bar/hello)
Hello, World!
nil
```

 Namespace-qualified  
symbol

# Namespaces and Files

dots become slashes



`$CLASSPATH/my/cool/thing.clj`

`(ns my.cool.thing)`

# Names and Hyphens

hyphens become underscores

`$CLASSPATH/my/cool/web_app.clj`

`(ns my.cool.web-app)`

# Macro: ns

(**ns** *name references\**)

# ns :require

```
(ns my.cool.project  
  (:require [some.ns.foo :as foo]))
```

```
(foo/function-in-foo)
```

ns alias



# ns :use

```
(ns my.cool.project  
  (:use [some.ns.foo :only (a b)]))
```

(a)

(b)

unqualified  
symbols



list of  
symbols

# ns :use

```
(ns my.cool.project  
  (:use some.ns.foo))
```

(a)

(b)



unqualified symbols  
from anywhere

# ns :import

```
(ns my.cool.project  
  (:import (java.io File Writer)))
```

package  
name



class  
names





# Macro: ns

```
(ns name
  (:require [some.ns.foo :as foo]
            [other.ns.bar :as bar])
  (:use [this.ns.baz :only (a b c)]
        [that.ns.quux :only (d e f)])
  (:import (java.io File FileWriter)
           (java.net URL URI)))
```

# require in the REPL

arguments must  
be quoted



```
user=> (require '[clojure.set :as set])  
nil  
user=> (set/union #{1 2} #{2 3 4})  
#{1 2 3 4}
```

# use in the REPL

arguments must  
be quoted



```
user=> (use 'clojure.string)
```

```
WARNING: replace already refers to: #'clojure.core/replace in  
namespace: user, being replaced by: #'clojure.string/replace
```

```
WARNING: reverse already refers to: #'clojure.core/reverse in  
namespace: user, being replaced by: #'clojure.string/reverse
```

```
nil
```

```
user=> (reverse "hello")
```

```
"olleh"
```

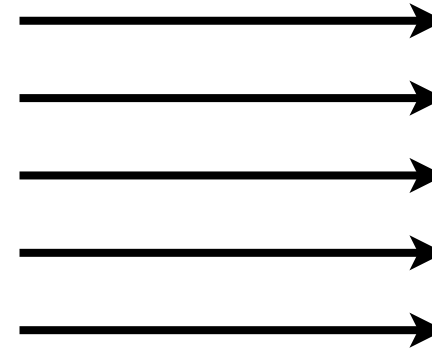
# RELP Helpers: dir

```
user=> (dir clojure.repl)
apropos
demunge
dir
dir-fn
doc
find-doc
pst
root-cause
set-break-handler!
source
source-fn
stack-element-str
thread-stopper
nil
```

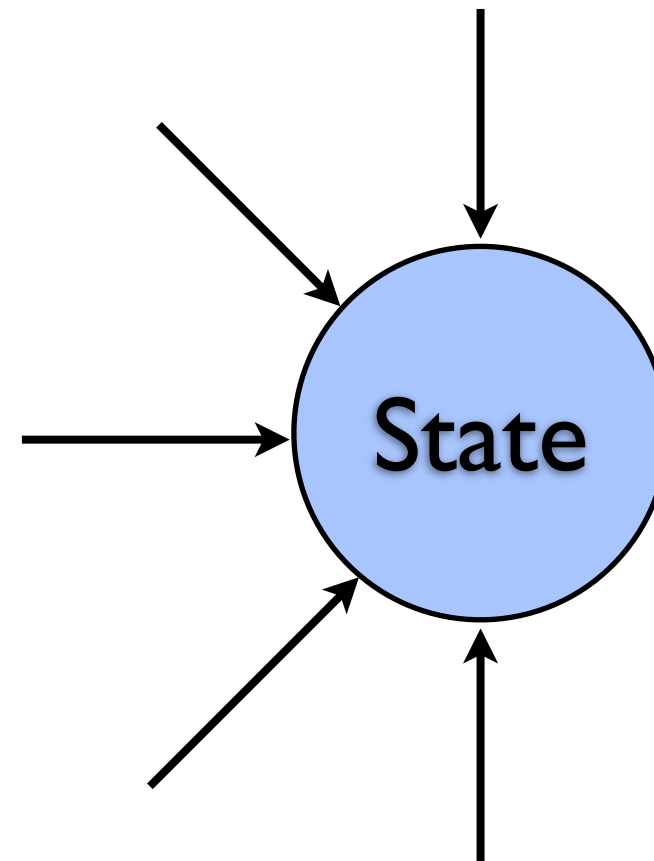
# Concurrency



# Parallelism



# Concurrency



```
class Invoice {  
    private Date date;  
  
    public Date getDate() {  
        return this.date;  
    }  
  
    public void setDate(Date date) {  
        this.date = date;  
    }  
}
```

```
class Date {  
    public void setDay(int day);  
    public void setMonth(int month);  
    public void setYear(int year);  
}
```

**Mutable!**



```
class Invoice {  
    private Date date;
```

```
    public Date getDate() {  
        return this.date;  
    }
```

**Better not  
change it!**



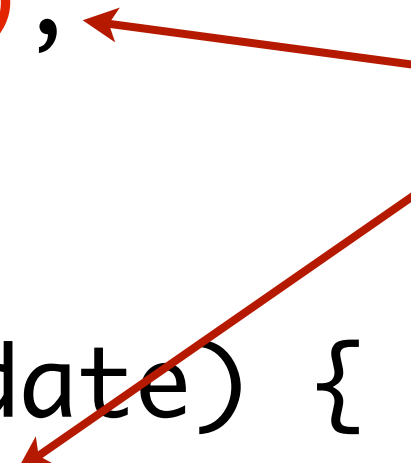
```
    public void setDate(Date date) {  
        this.date = date;  
    }  
}
```

**Better not  
change it!**

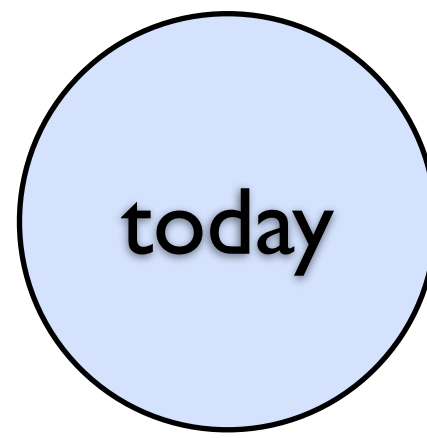


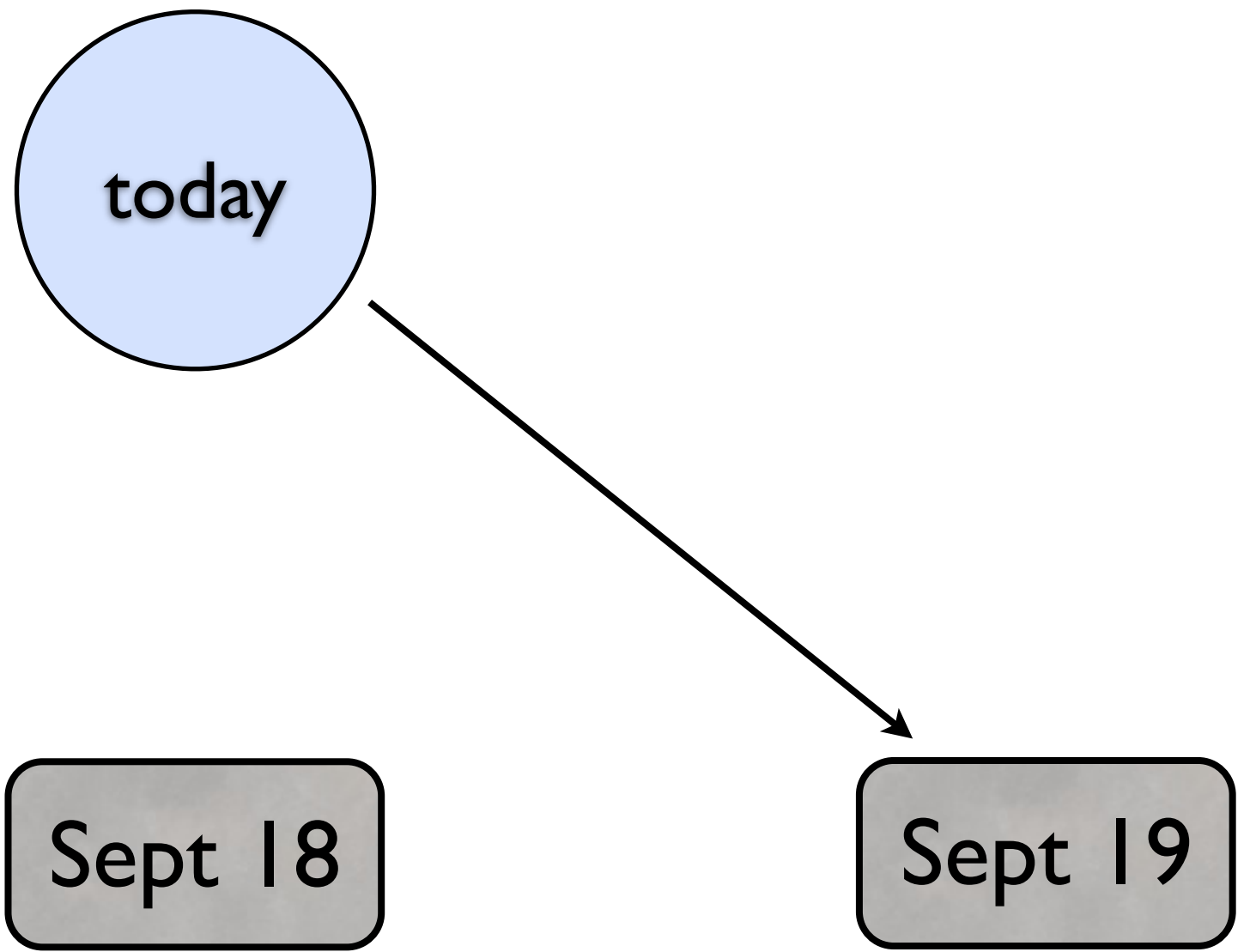
```
class Invoice {  
    private Date date;  
  
    public Date getDate() {  
        return this.date.clone();  
    }  
  
    public void setDate(Date date) {  
        this.date = date.clone();  
    }  
}
```

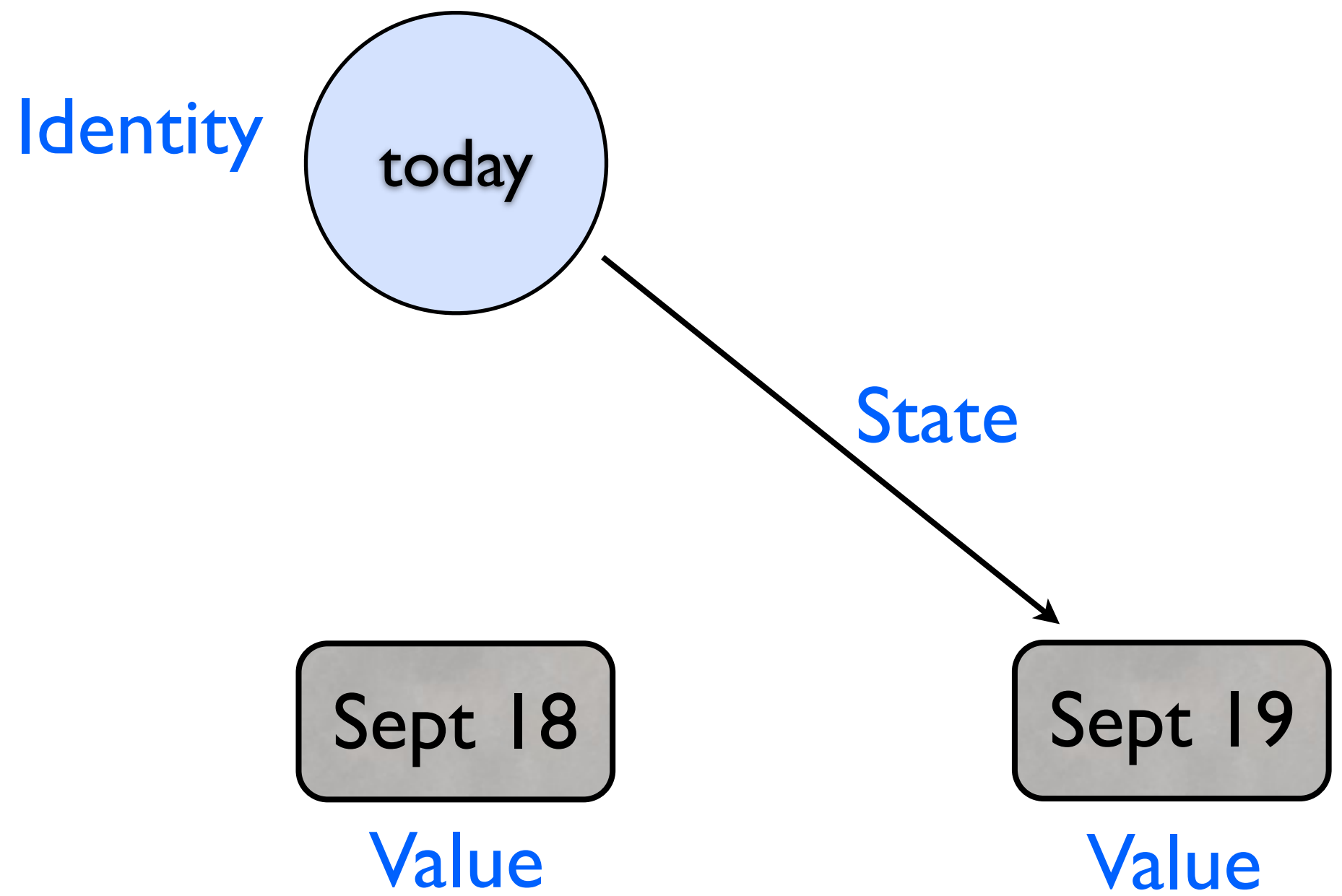
Defensive copying

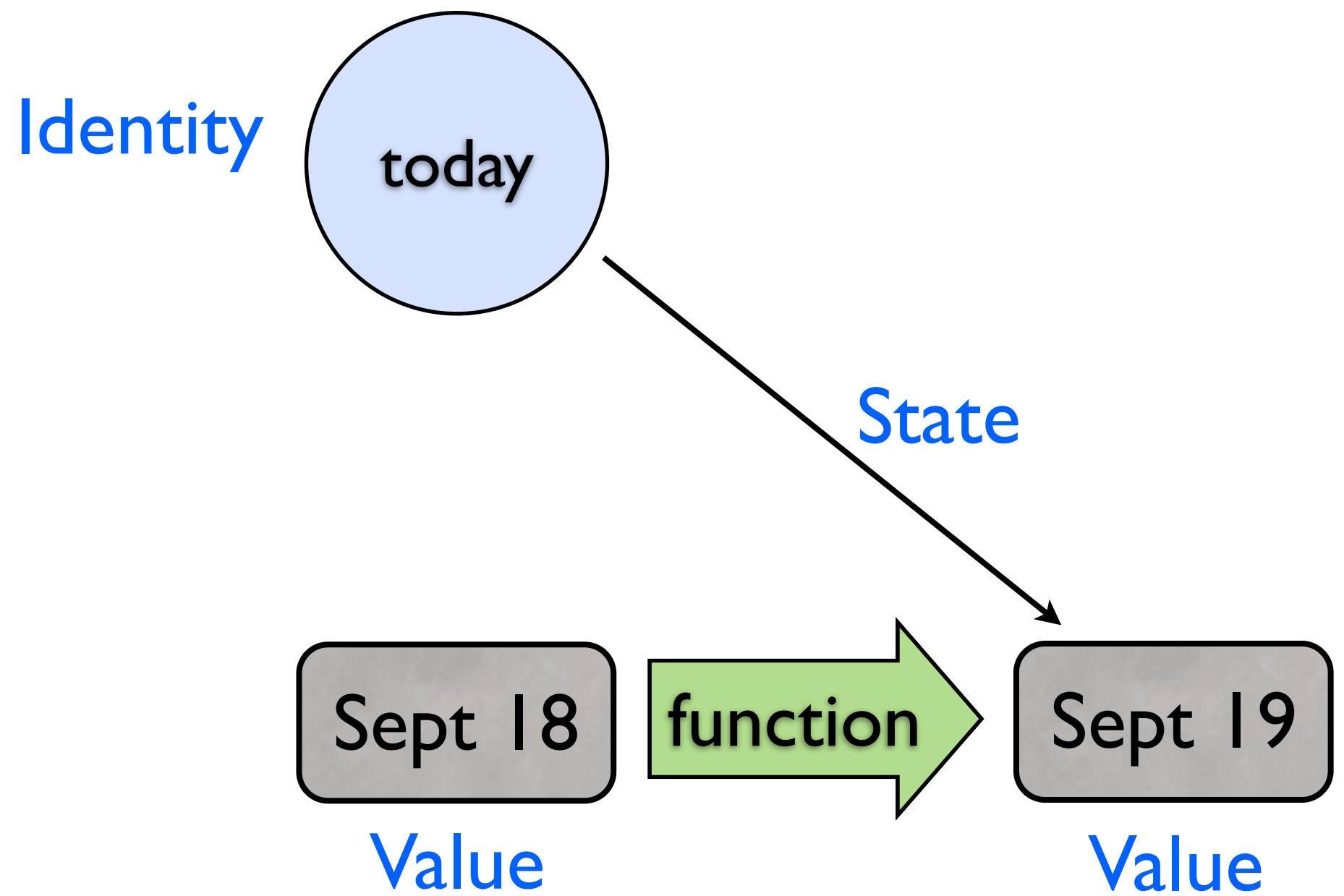


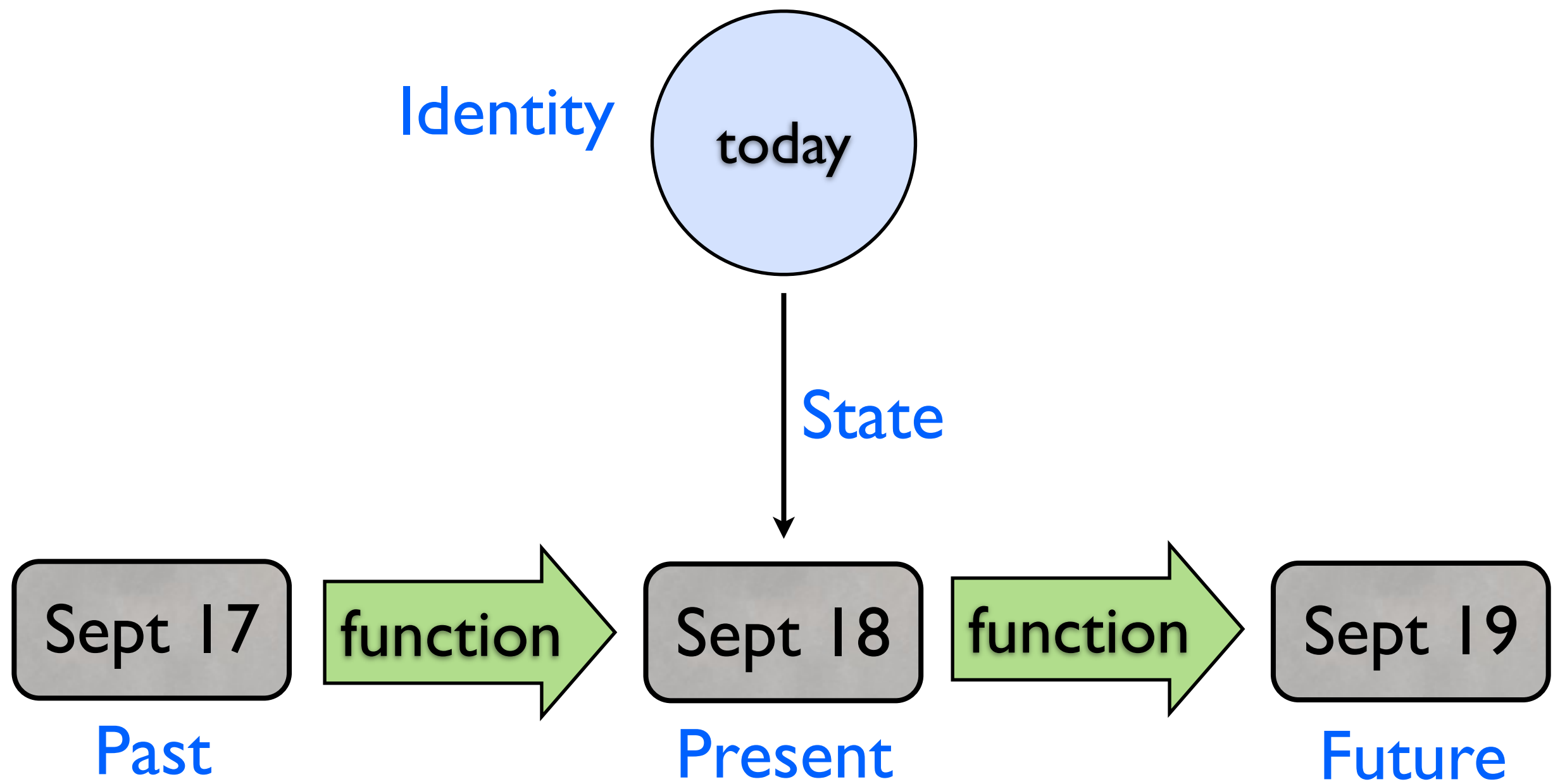
Programming with  
immutable values  
means never having to  
say you're sorry.



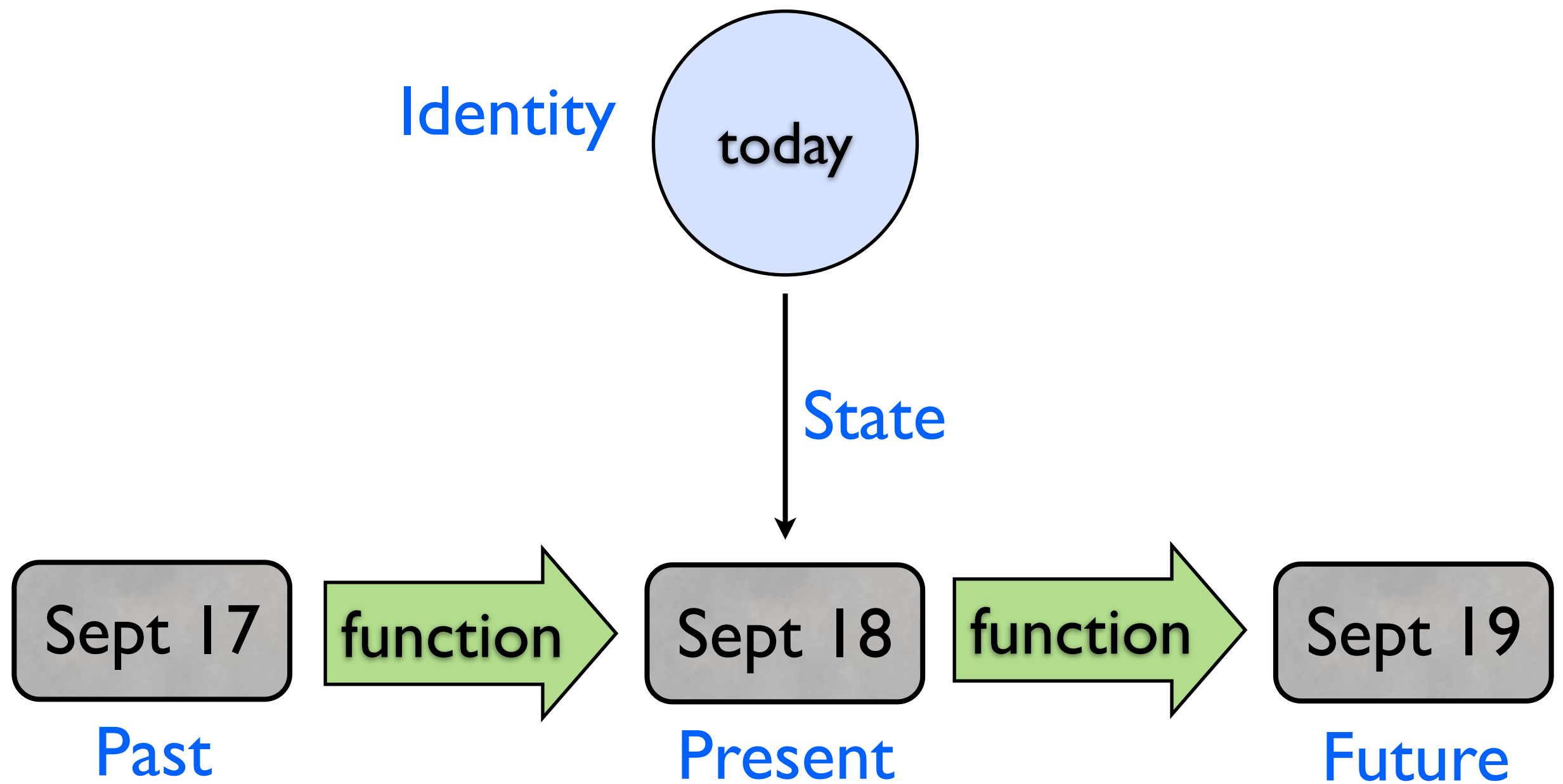






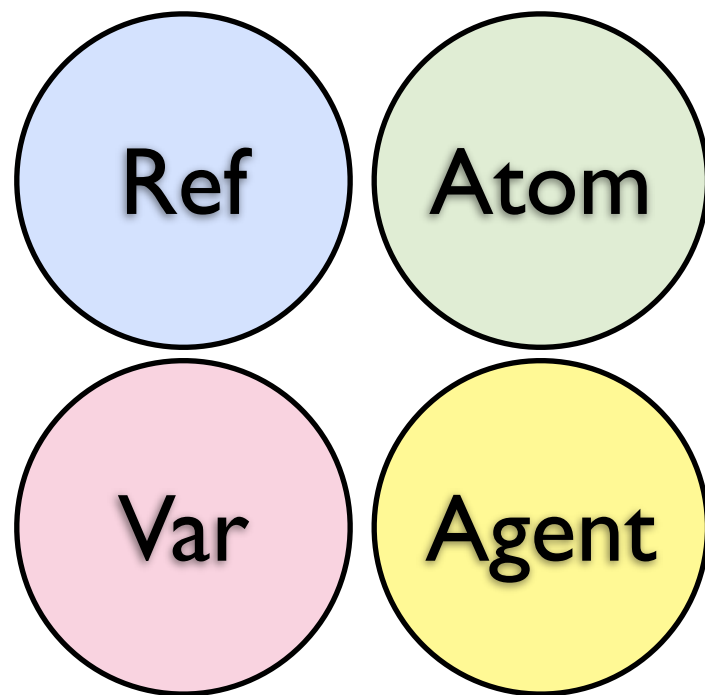


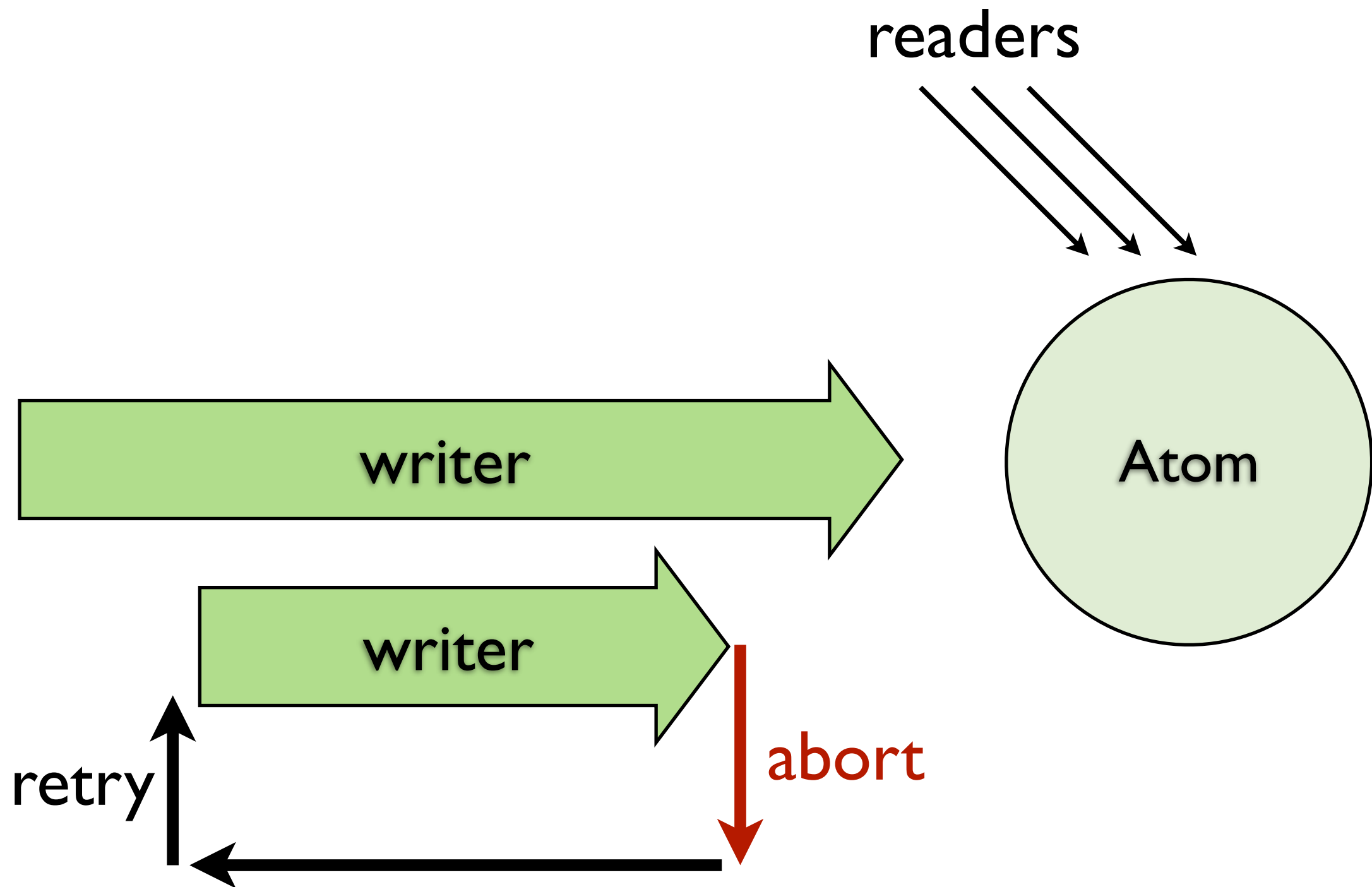




The future is a function of the past.

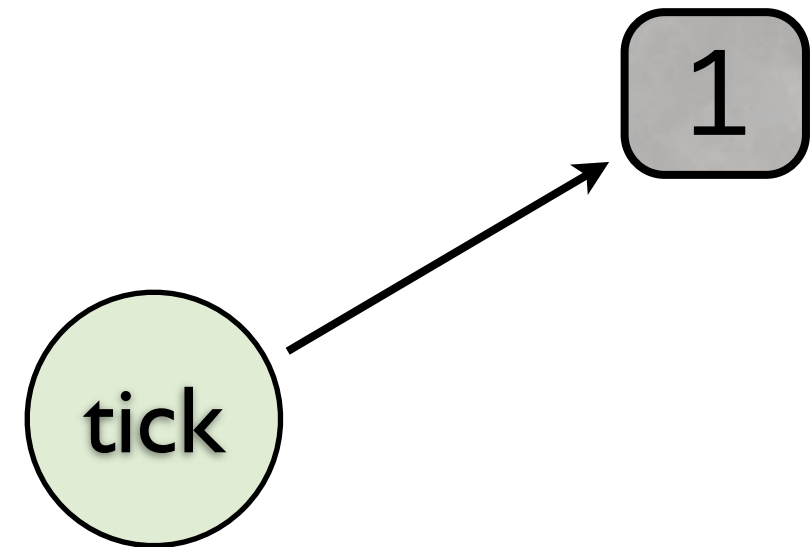
# Mutable References





# Atom

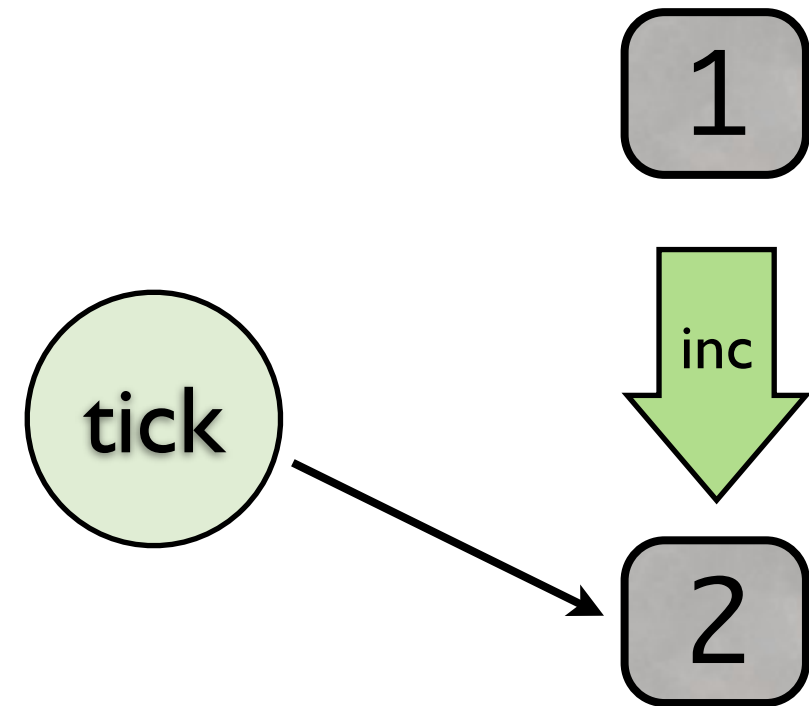
```
(def tick (atom 1))  
(deref tick)    ➡ 1
```



# Atom

```
(def tick (atom 1))  
(deref tick)    ➡ 1
```

```
(swap! tick inc)  
@tick           ➡ 2
```

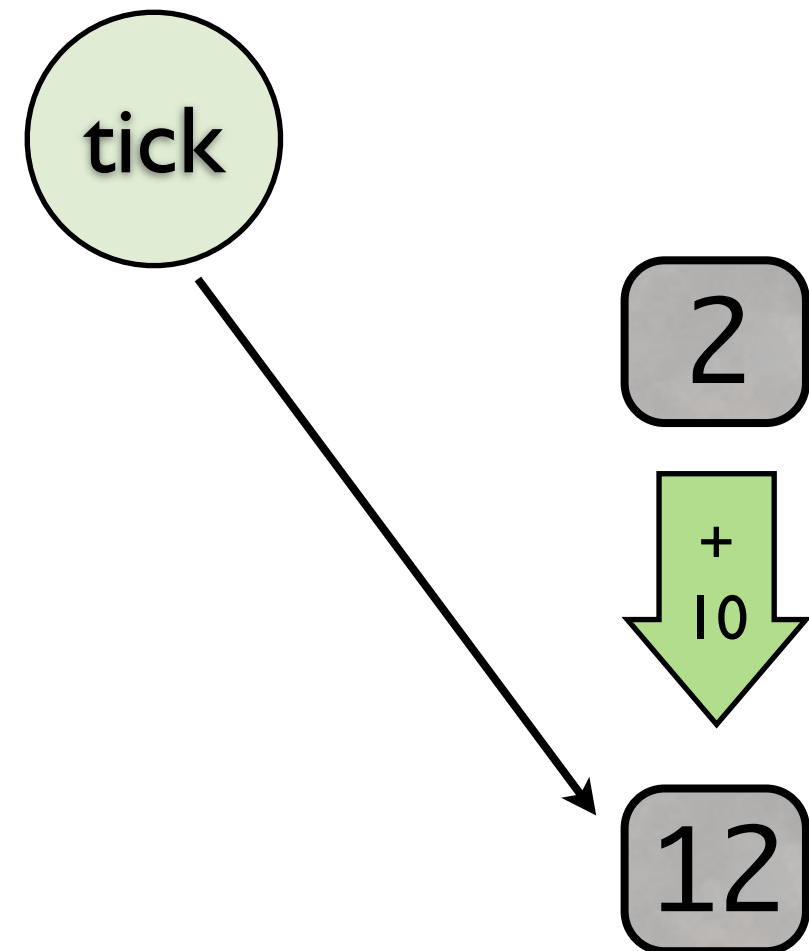


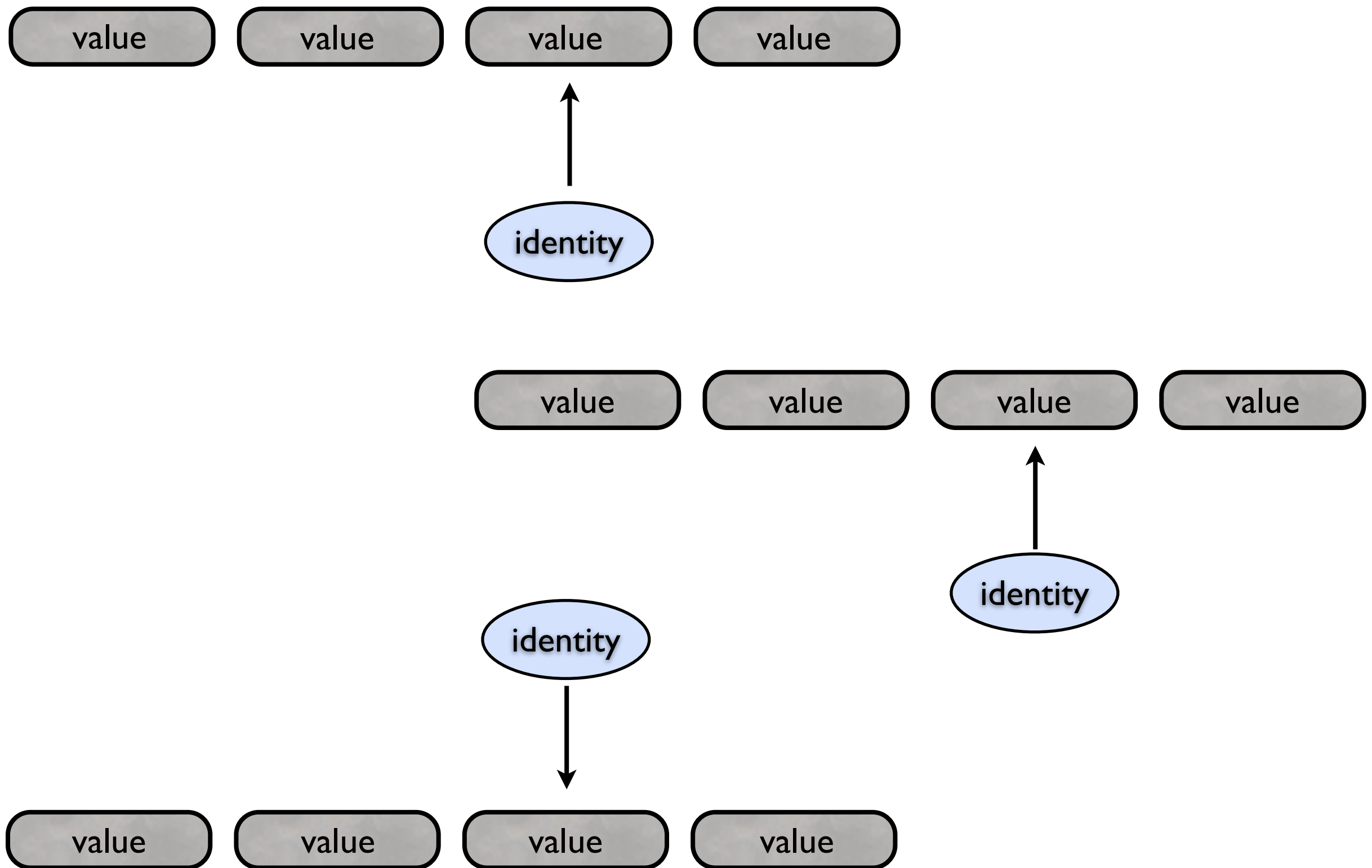
# Atom

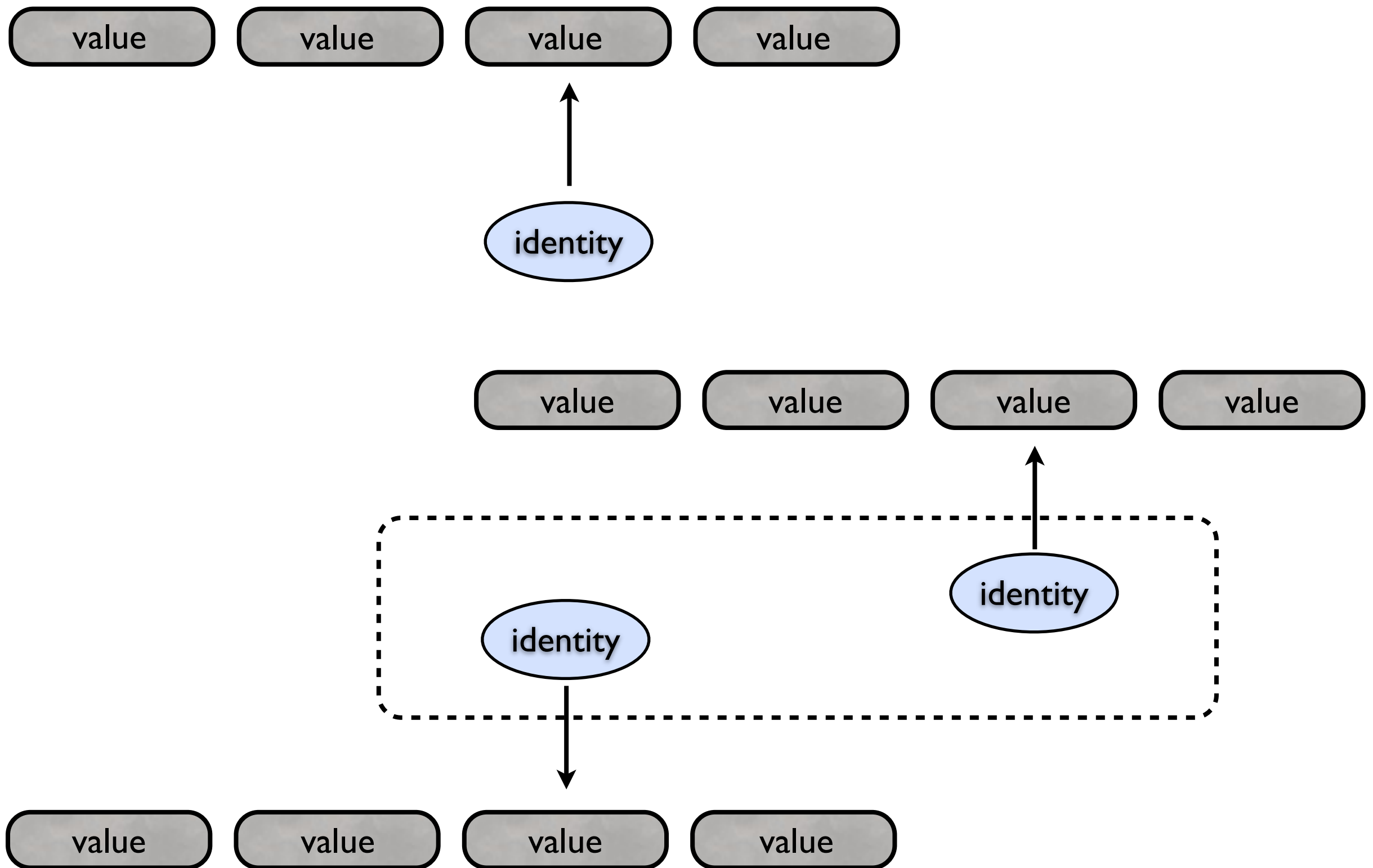
```
(def tick (atom 1))  
(deref tick)    ➡ 1
```

```
(swap! tick inc)  
@tick           ➡ 2
```

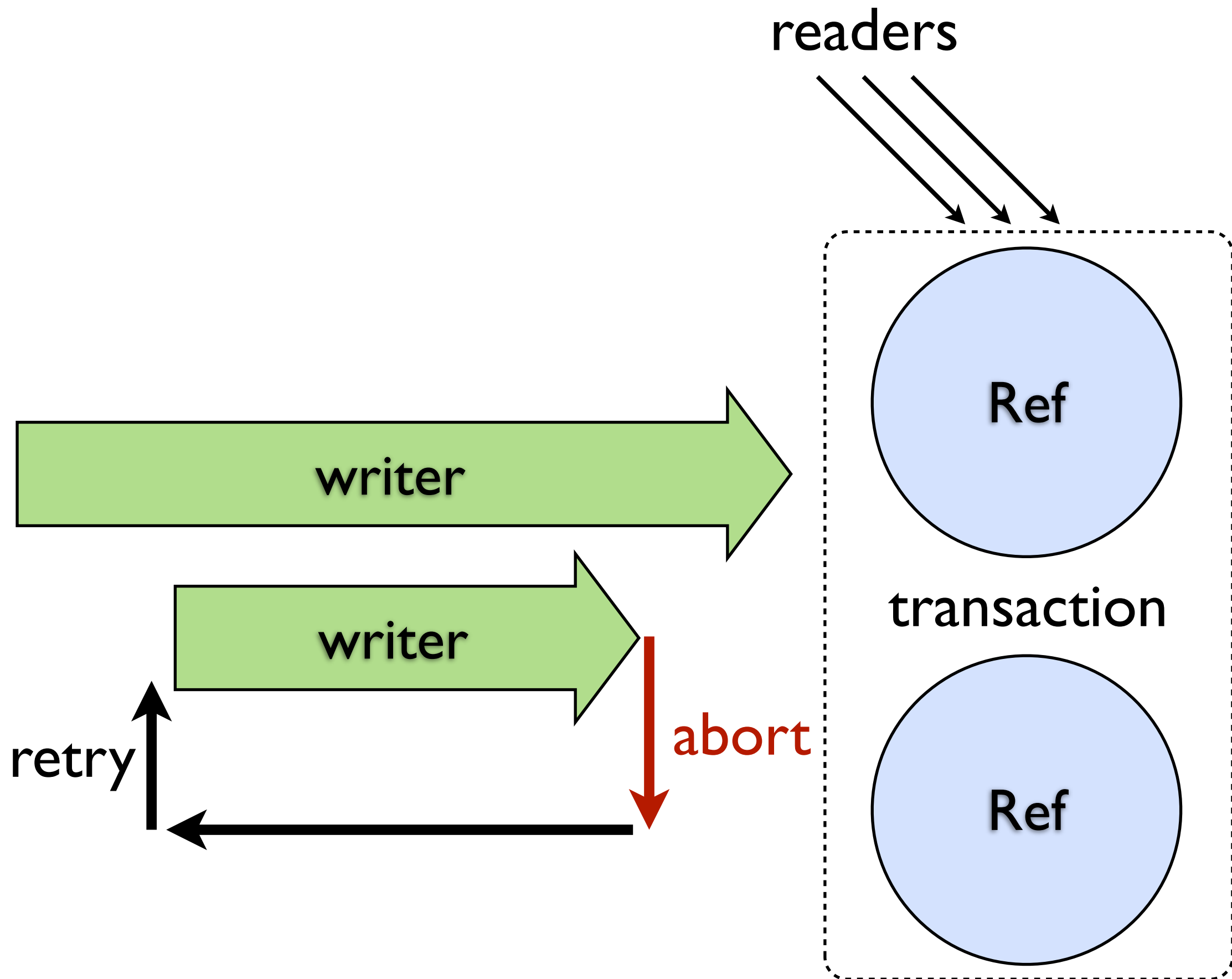
```
(swap! tick + 10)  
@tick           ➡ 12
```





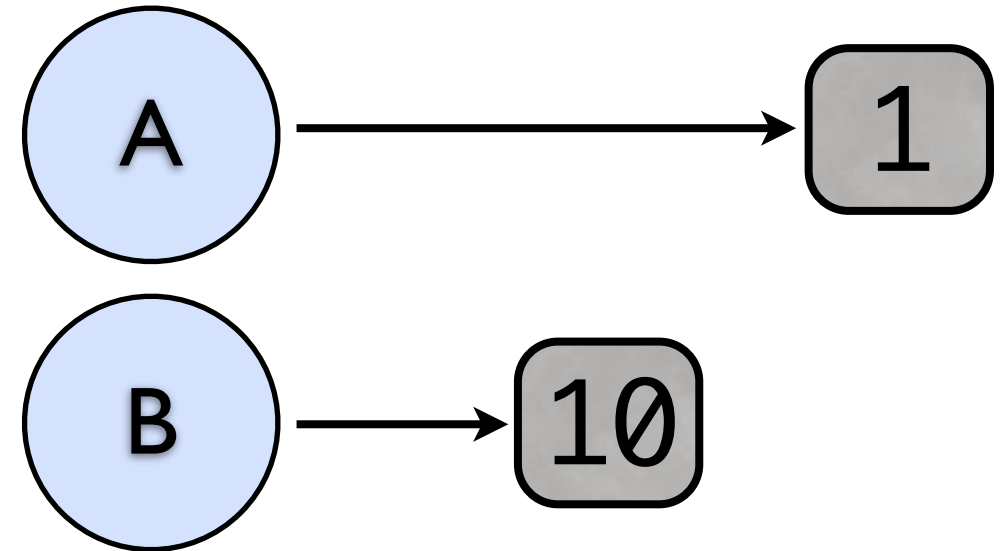






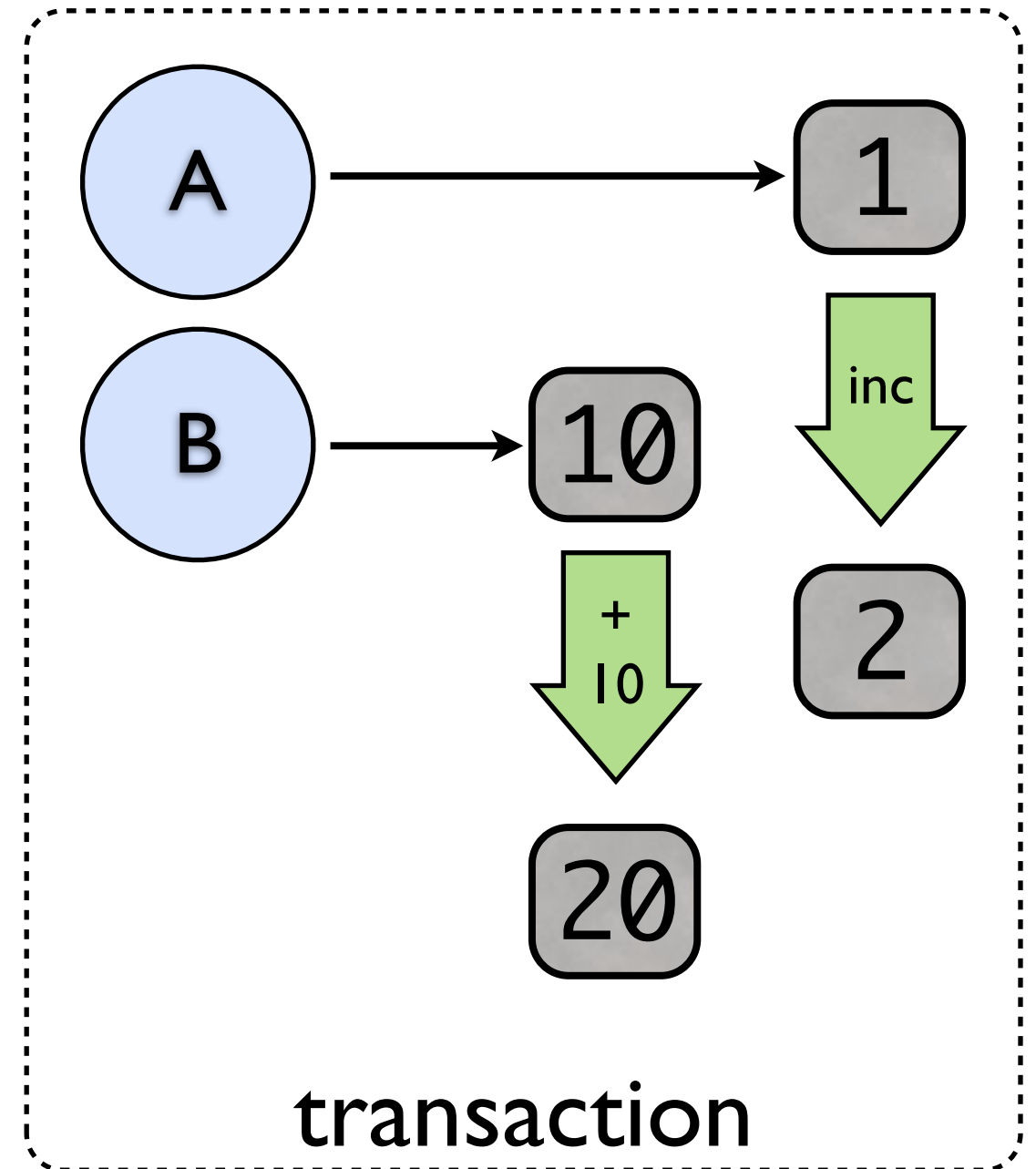
# Ref

```
(def A (ref 1))  
(def B (ref 10))
```



# Ref

```
(def A (ref 1))  
(def B (ref 10))  
  
(dosync  
  (alter A inc)  
  (alter B + 10))
```



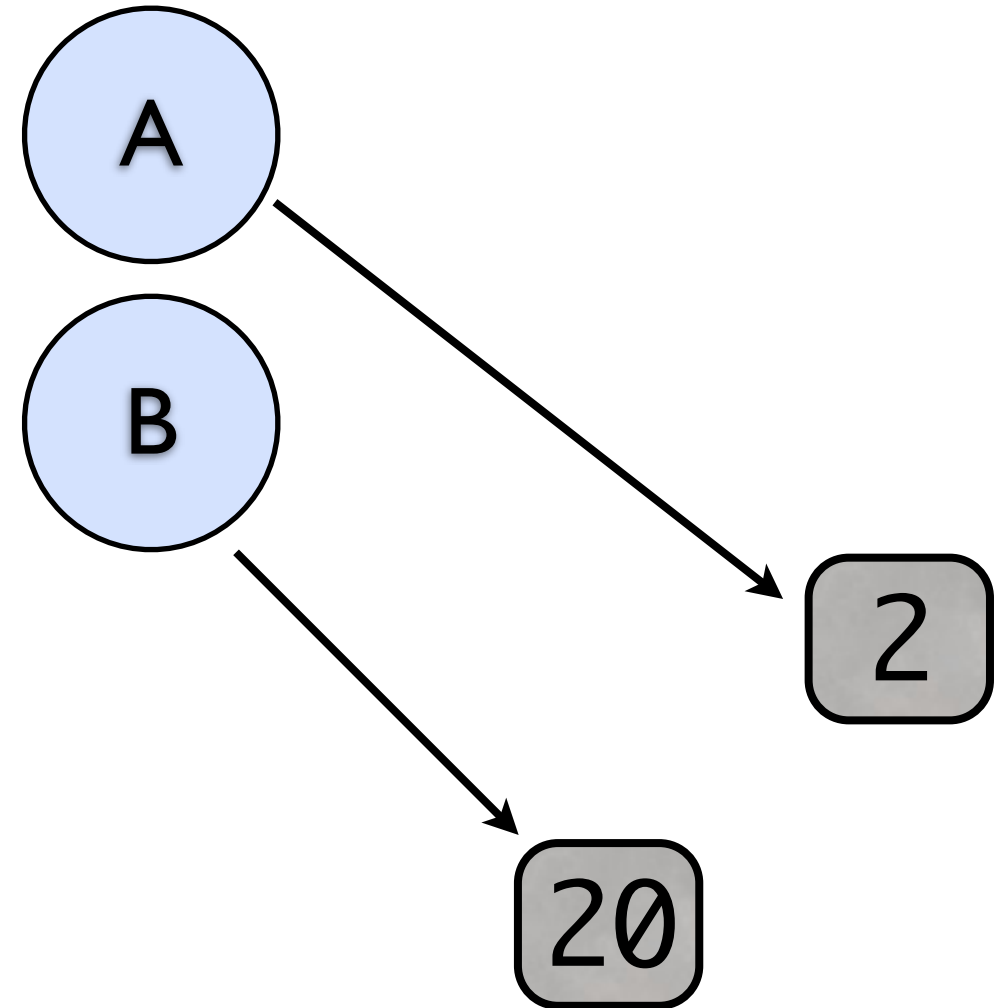
# Ref

```
(def A (ref 1))  
(def B (ref 10))
```

```
(dosync  
  (alter A inc)  
  (alter B + 10))
```

@A → 2

@B → 20



# Database Transactions

Atomic

Consistent

Isolated

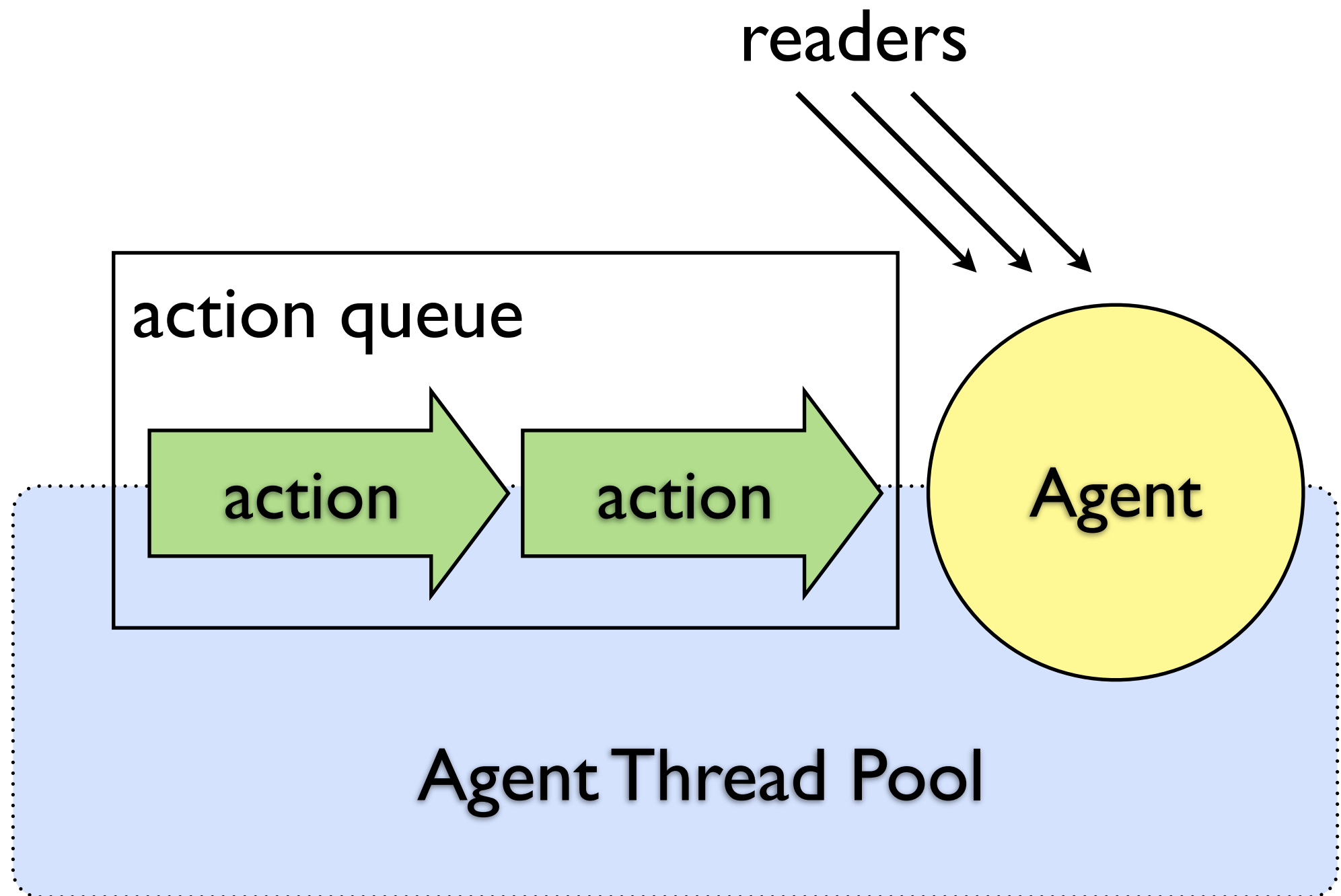
Durable

# Clojure Transactions

Atomic

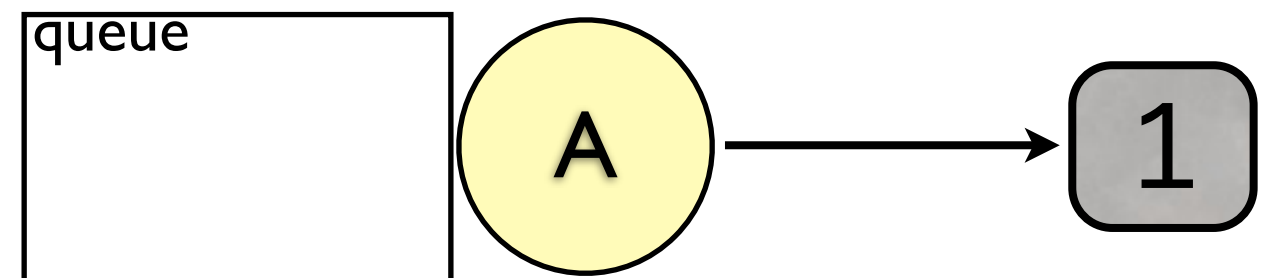
Consistent

Isolated



# Agent

```
(def A (agent 1))
```



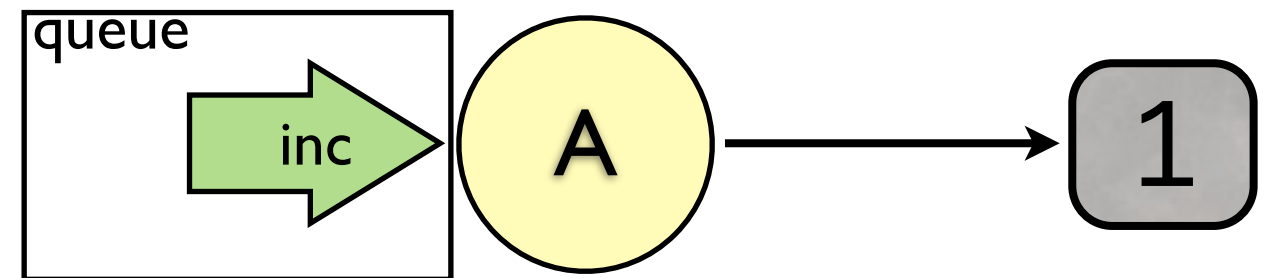


# Agent

```
(def A (agent 1))
```

```
(send A inc)
```

```
@A ➡ 1
```



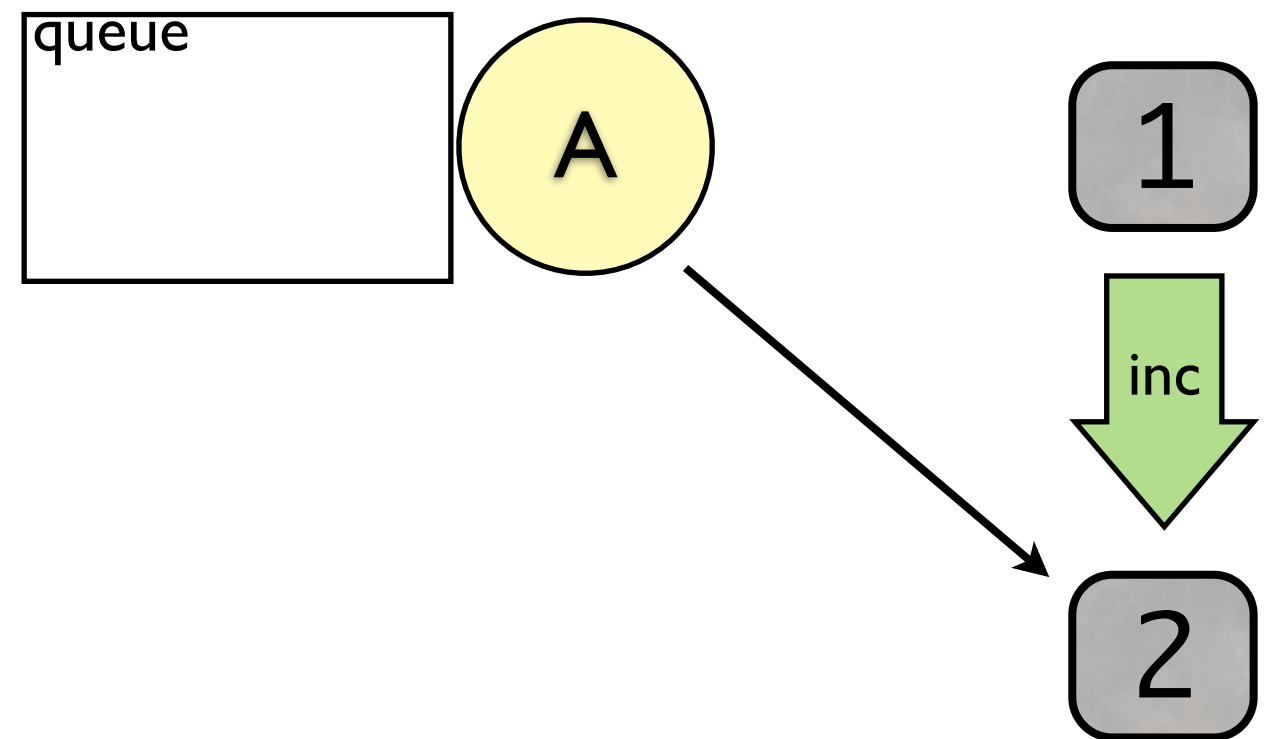
# Agent

```
(def A (agent 1))
```

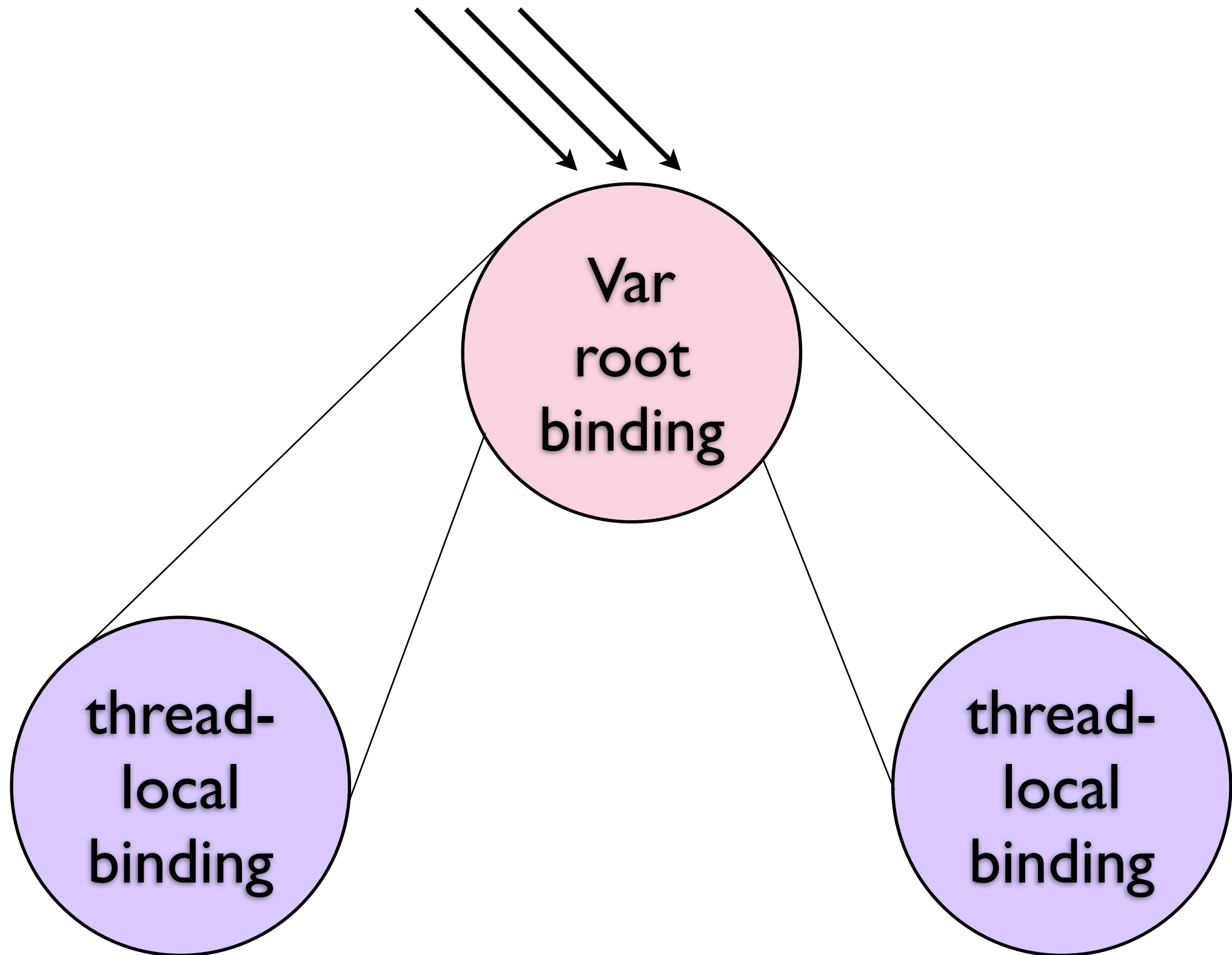
```
(send A inc)
```

@A → 1

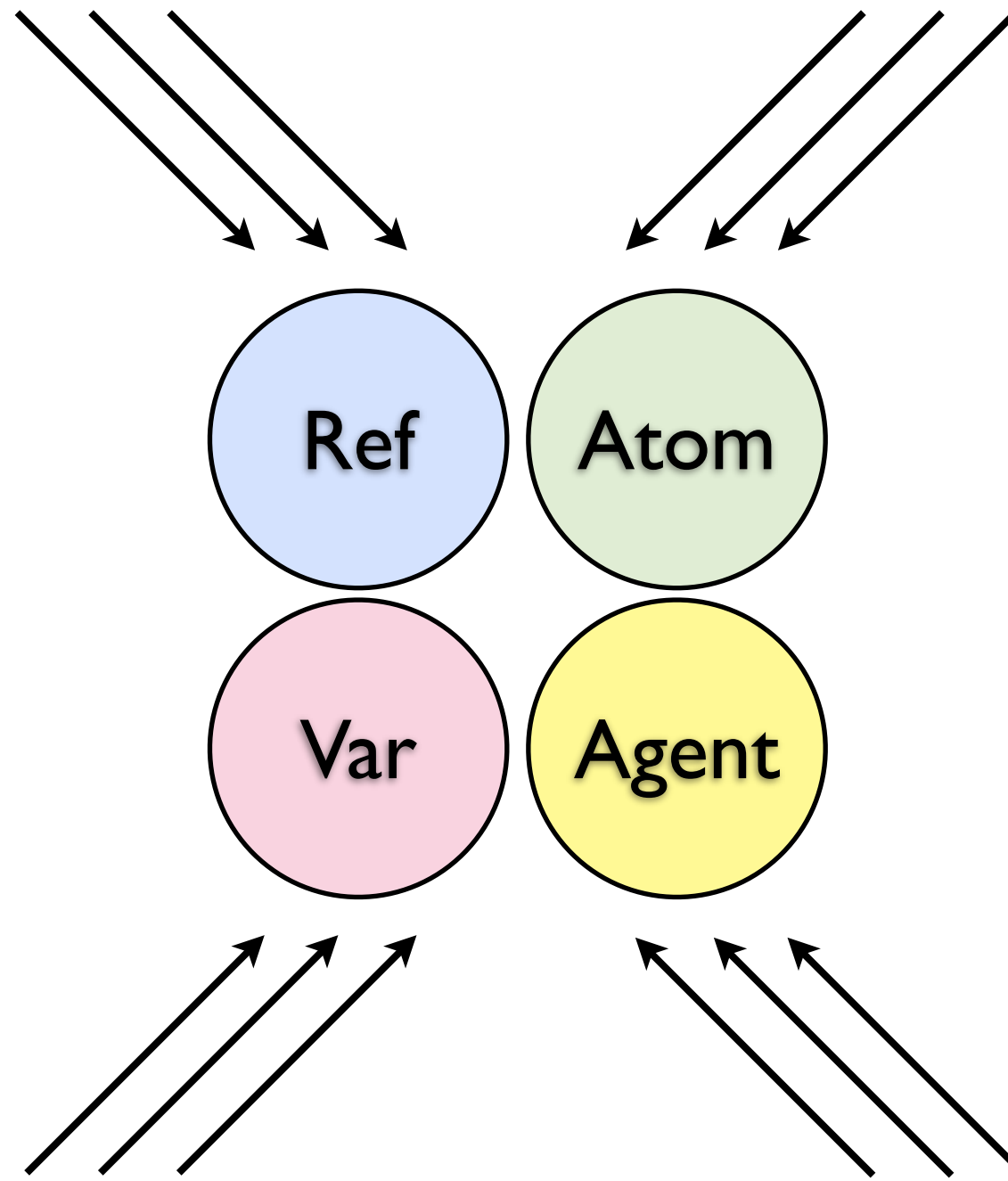
@A → 2



other threads

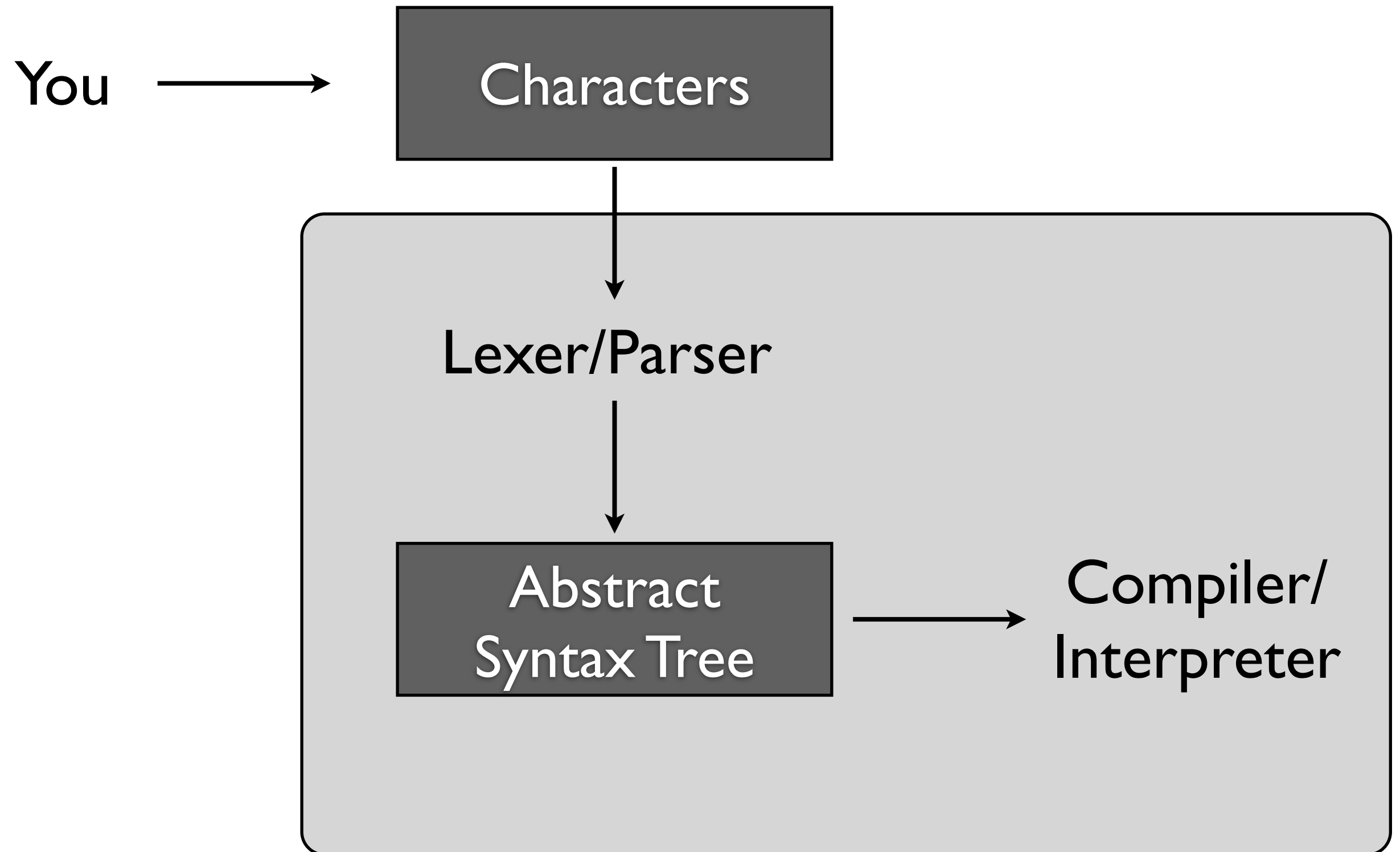


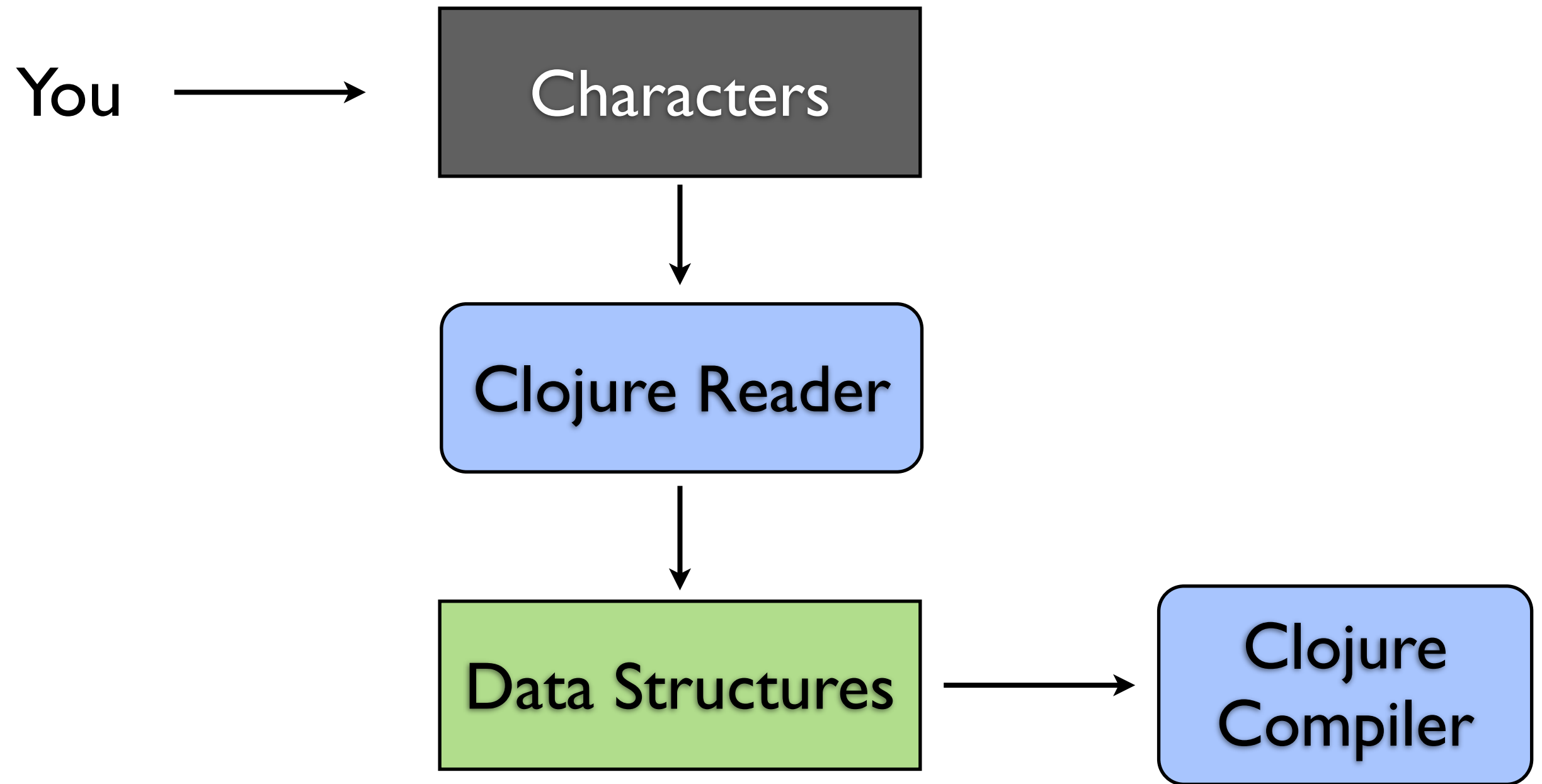
# Concurrency

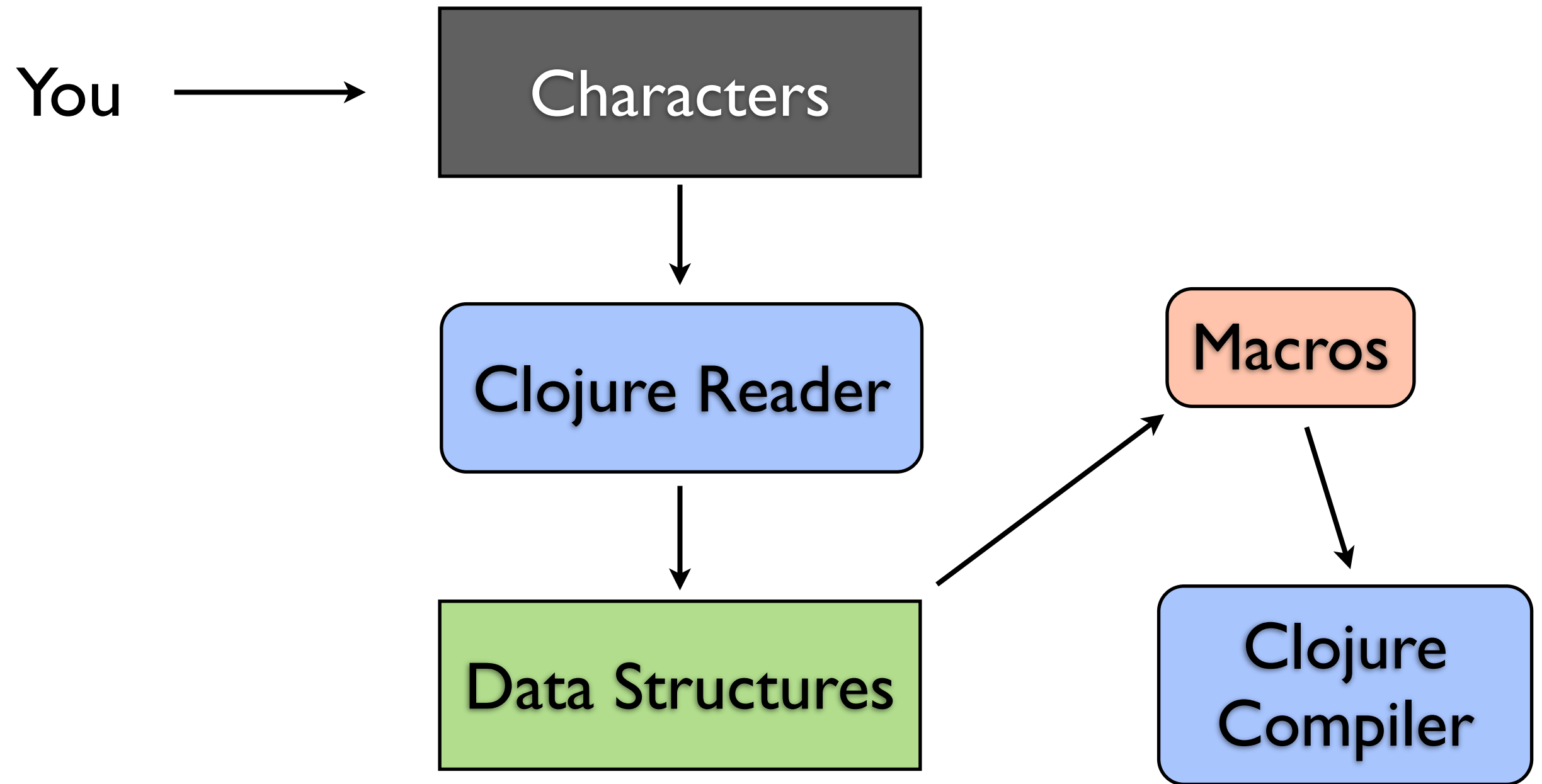


# Macros











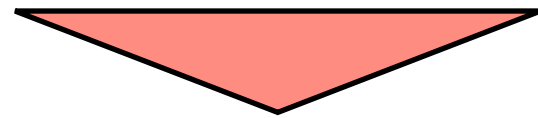
# read-string and eval

```
user=> (read-string "(println 1 2 3)")  
(println 1 2 3)
```

```
user=> (eval *1)  
1 2 3  
nil
```

# Macro: when

(*when condition*  
*exprs\**)



(*if condition*  
*(do exprs\*)*)

# defmacro

name

parameters



```
(defmacro when [test & body]  
  (list 'if test (cons 'do body)))
```



construct code  
to return

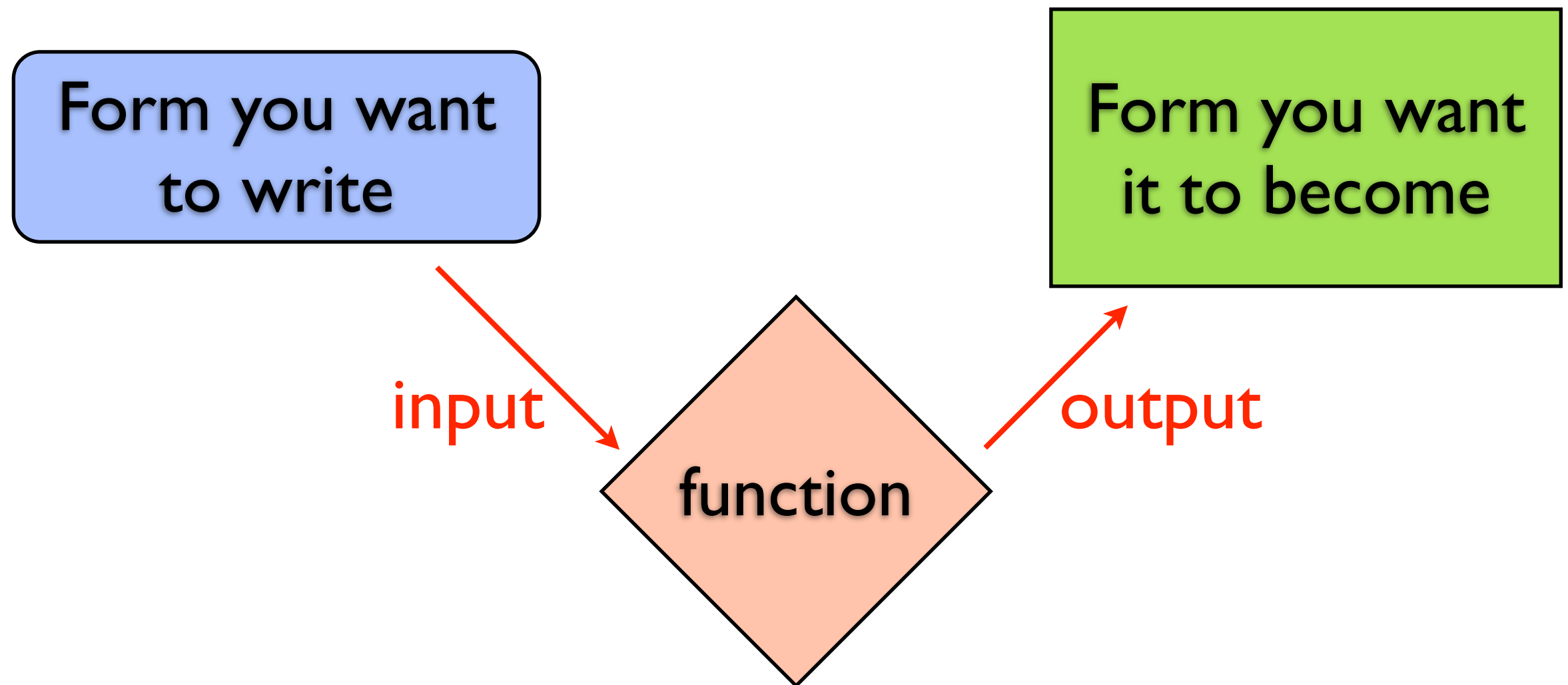
# macroexpand

quoted expression

user=> (macroexpand '(when a b c d))  
(if a (do b c d))

expanded result

# How to Write a Macro



# How to Write a Macro

**;; we want to write:**

```
(when foo  
  (dothis)  
  (dothat))
```

**;; and have it become:**

```
(if foo  
  (do  
    (dothis)  
    (dothat)))
```

**;; from core.clj**

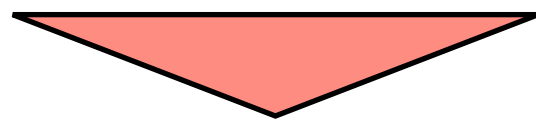
```
(defmacro when  
  [test & body]  
  (list 'if test (cons 'do body)))
```

**;; use macroexpand to try it**

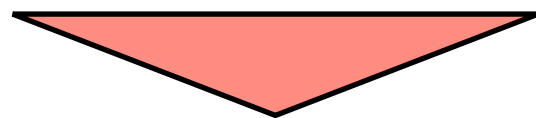
```
user=> (macroexpand '(when foo (dothis) (dothat)))  
(if foo (do (dothis) (dothat)))
```

# Macro Expansion

(when a b c d)

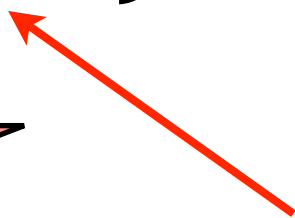


Macro: when



(if a (do b c d))

arguments are  
not evaluated



# syntax-quote

```
(defmacro when [test & body]  
  `(if ~test (do ~@body)))
```

syntax-quote



The diagram illustrates the use of special forms within a macro definition. A red arrow points from the text 'syntax-quote' to the backquote character (`) in the macro body. Another red arrow points from 'unquote' to the tilde (~) before 'test'. A third red arrow points from 'splicing unquote' to the tilde (~) before '@body'.

unquote

splicing  
unquote



# syntax-quote

```
user=> (def x 5)
```

```
#'user/x
```

```
user=> (def lst '(:a :b :c))
```

```
#'user/lst
```

```
user=> `(x ~x ~lst)
```

```
(user/x 5 (:a :b :c))
```

```
user=> `(x ~x ~@lst)
```

```
(user/x 5 :a :b :c)
```

# gensym

```
user=> (gensym "foo")  
foo39
```

```
user=> (gensym "foo")  
foo42
```

# auto-gensym


qualified symbol  
not allowed here



```
user=> `(let [x 1] x)  
(clojure.core/let [user/x 1] user/x)
```

```
user=> `(let [x# 1] x#)  
(clojure.core/let [x__29__auto__ 1] x__29__auto__)
```

generated  
symbol



# Recursion



# Recursive GCD

```
user=> (defn gcd [x y]           ; x >= y
        (if (zero? y) x
            (gcd y (rem x y))))
```

```
#'user/gcd
```

```
user=> (gcd 100 35)
```

```
5
```

```
user=> (gcd 37 22)
```

```
1
```

# Recursive GCD

```
user=> (defn gcd [x y]           ; x >= y
        (if (zero? y) x
            (gcd y (rem x y))))
```

tail position



# GCD with recur

```
user=> (defn gcd [x y]           ; x >= y
        (if (zero? y) x
            (recur y (rem x y))))
```

tail position



# Recursive Fibonacci

```
user=> (defn fib [n]
         (cond (zero? n) 0
               (= 1 n) 1
               :else (+ (fib (dec n)) (fib (- n 2))))))
```

```
#'user/fib
```

```
user=> (fib 10)
```

```
55
```

```
user=> (fib 50) ; wait a really long time
```



# Fibaonacci Helper

```
user=> (defn fib-step [a b n]
         (if (= 1 n) b
             (recur b (+ a b) (dec n))))
```

```
#'user/fib-step
```

```
user=> (defn fib [n]
         (fib-step 0 1 n))
```

```
#'user/fib
```

```
user=> (fib 50)
```

```
12586269025
```

# loop / recur

```
user=> (defn fib [n]
        (loop [a 0, b 1, i n]
          (if (= 1 i) b
              (recur b (+ a b) (dec i))))))
```

```
#'user/fib
```

```
user=> (fib 50)
```

```
12586269025
```

# loop / recur

```
(loop [initialization]  
  (if termination-condition  
    return-value  
    (recur updated-variables)))
```

# More



# Clojure

- [clojure.org](http://clojure.org)
- [clojure.blip.tv](http://clojure.blip.tv)
- [dev.clojure.org](http://dev.clojure.org)
- [groups.google.com/group/clojure](http://groups.google.com/group/clojure)
- [#clojure](http://irc.freenode.net) on irc.freenode.net

# Fun

- [github.com/relevance/labrepl](https://github.com/relevance/labrepl)
- [4clojure.com](http://4clojure.com)
- [github.com/functional-koans/clojure-koans](https://github.com/functional-koans/clojure-koans)