



Typed Clojure



Space-Efficient Runtime Tracking

*Inferring type annotations
via runtime observations*

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Type annotations

```
1  +(ann comma-sep [(Seqable Expr) -> (Seqable (U Expr String))])  
2  (defn comma-sep [xs]  
3    (interpose "," xs))  
4  
5  +(defalias Expr  
6  +  (U '{:op ':list :items (Vec Expr)}  
7  +    '{:op ':val :val Any}  
8  +    ...))  
9  +  
10 +(ann emit-list ['{:op ':list :items (Vec Expr)} -> String])  
11 (defn emit-list [{:keys [items]}]  
12   (if (empty? items)
```

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Someone wrote this manually

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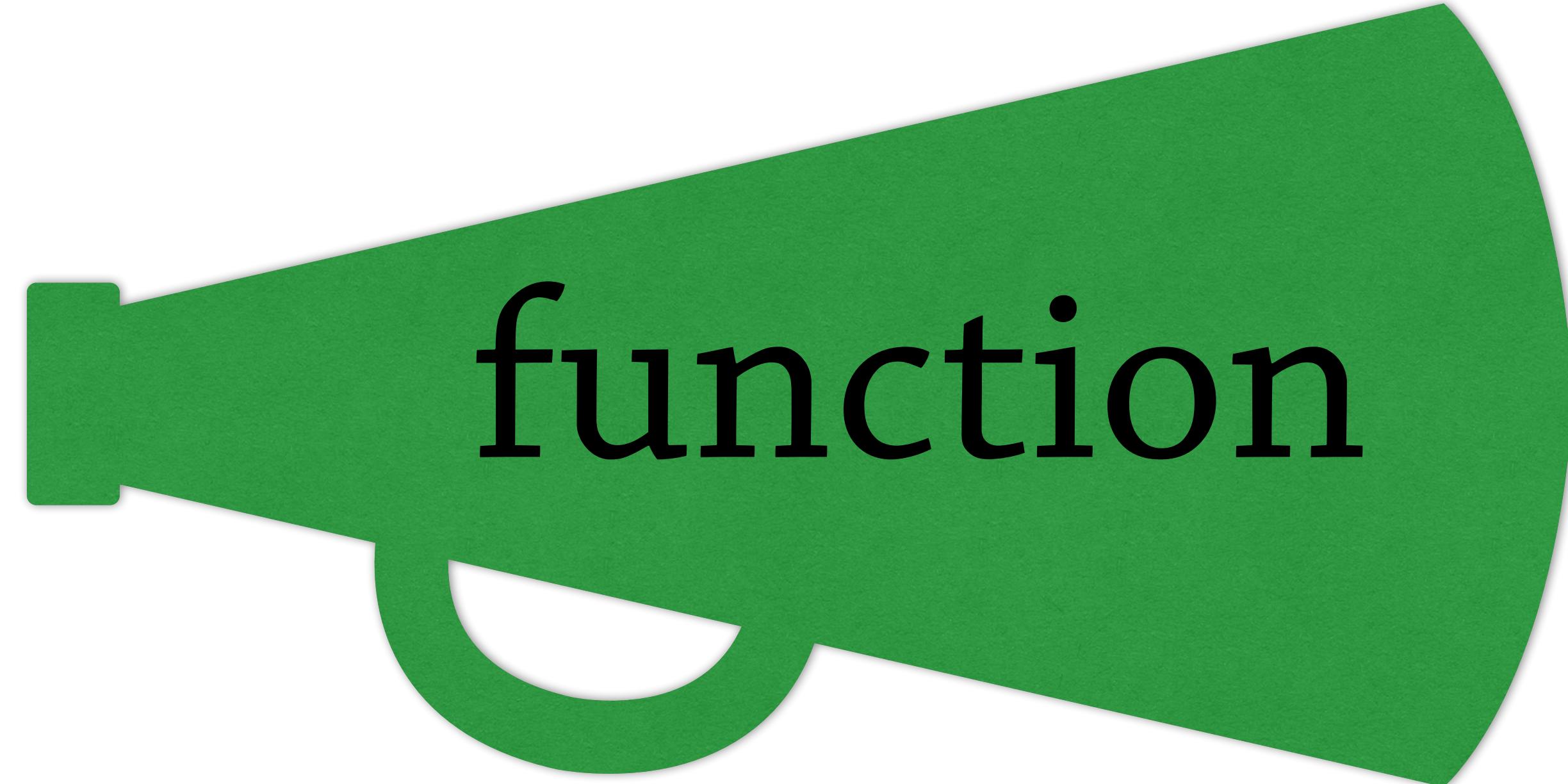
Solution:

Automatic Annotations

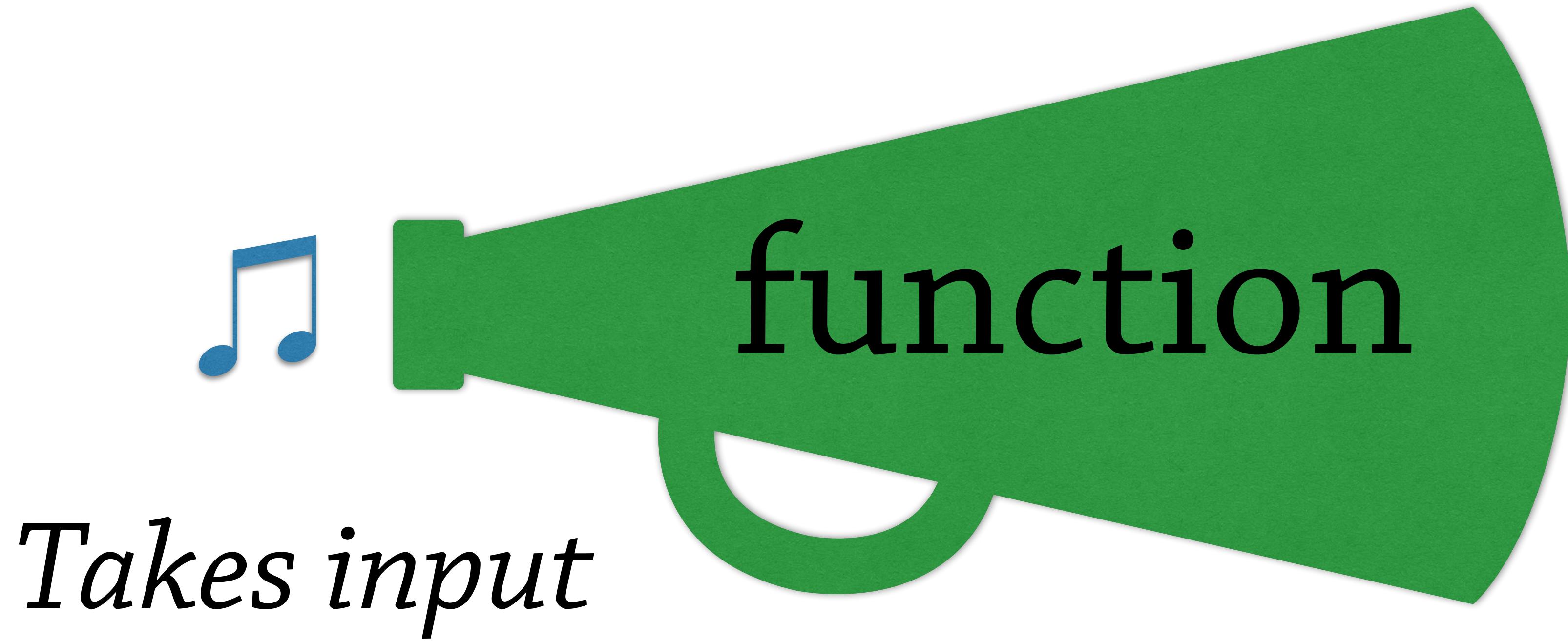
Our approach:

1. Instrument program
2. Observe running program
3. Summarize execution

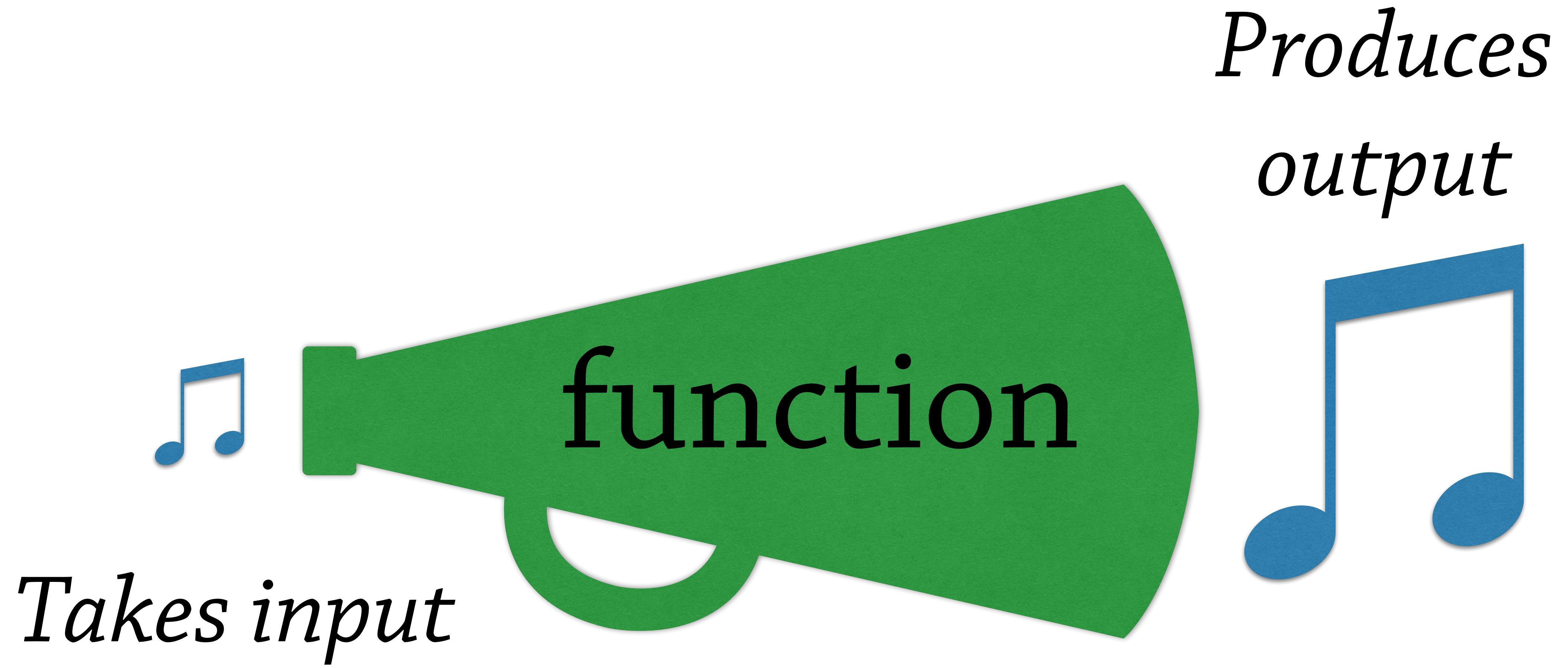
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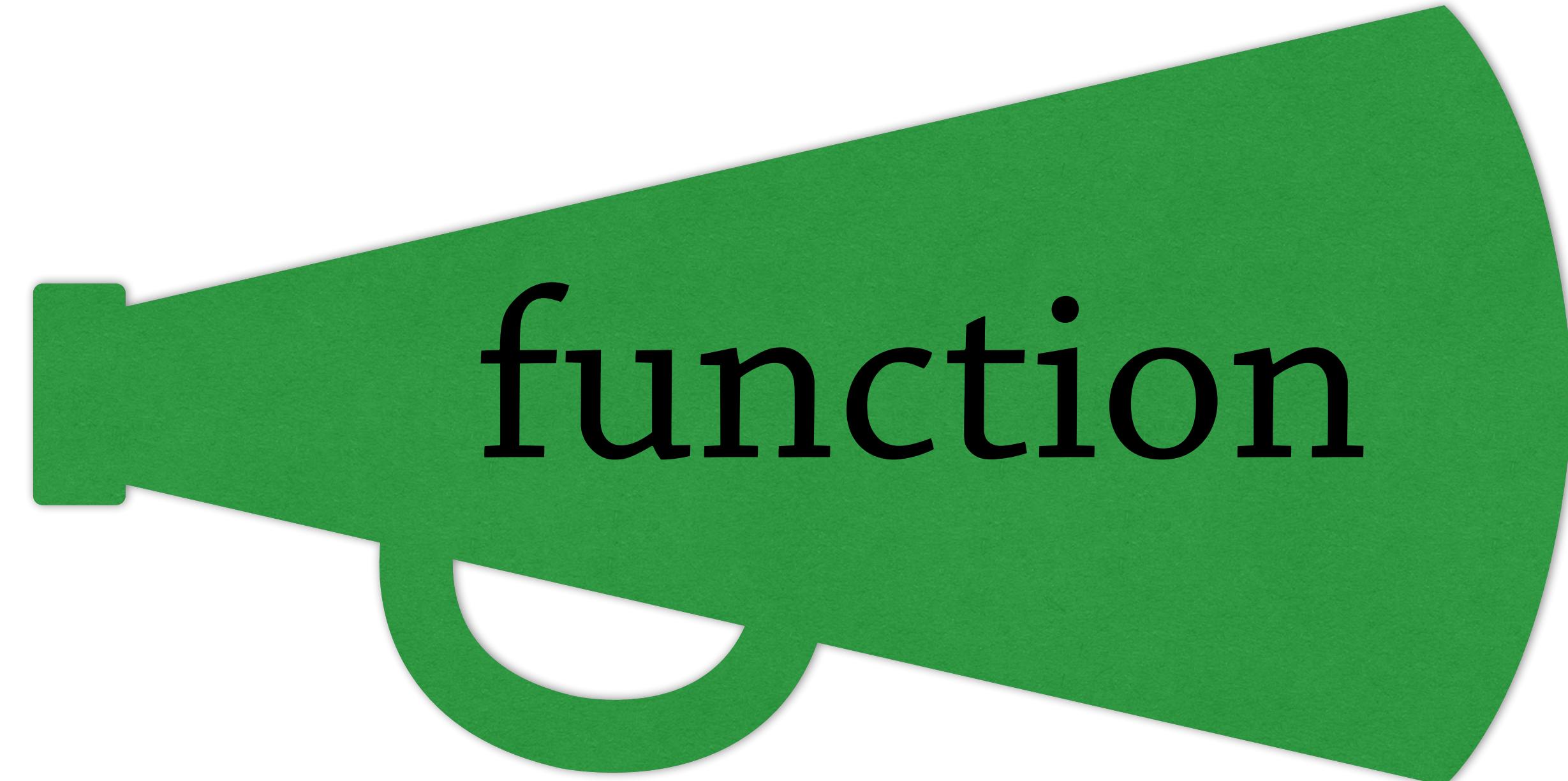
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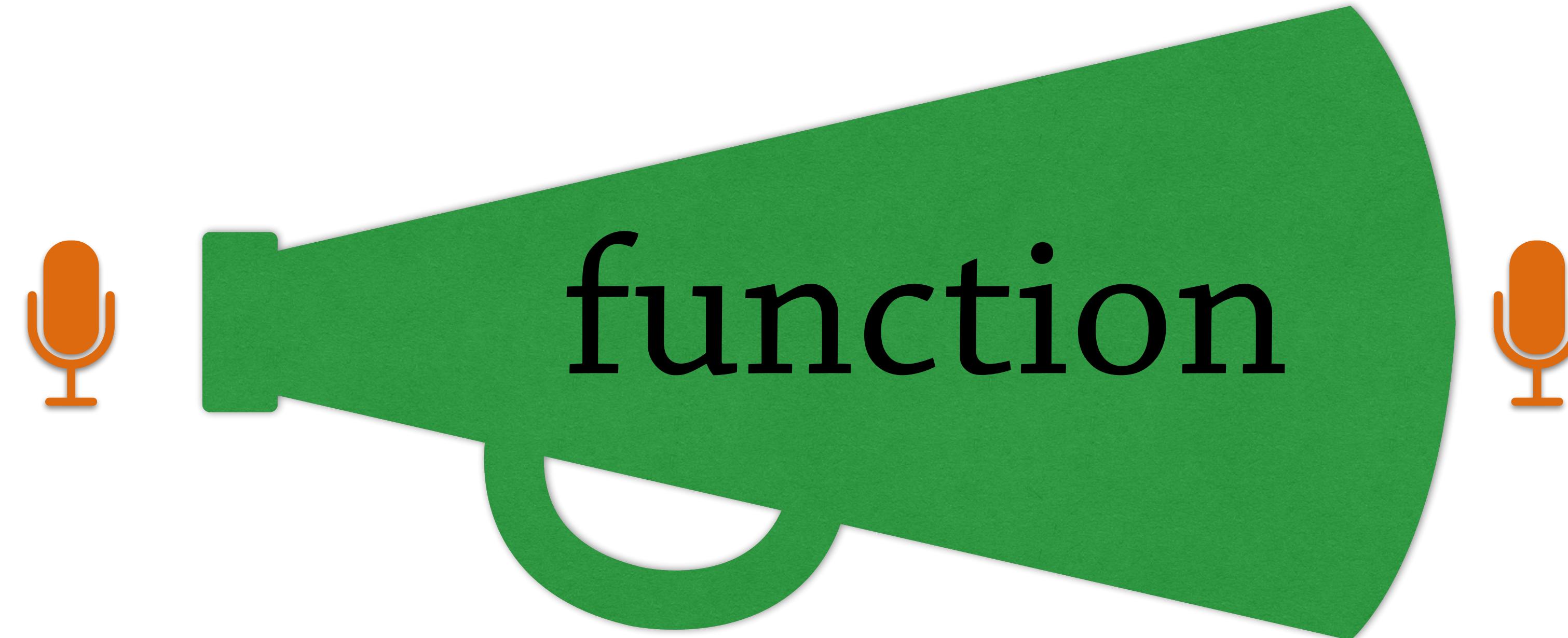
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Instrumentation



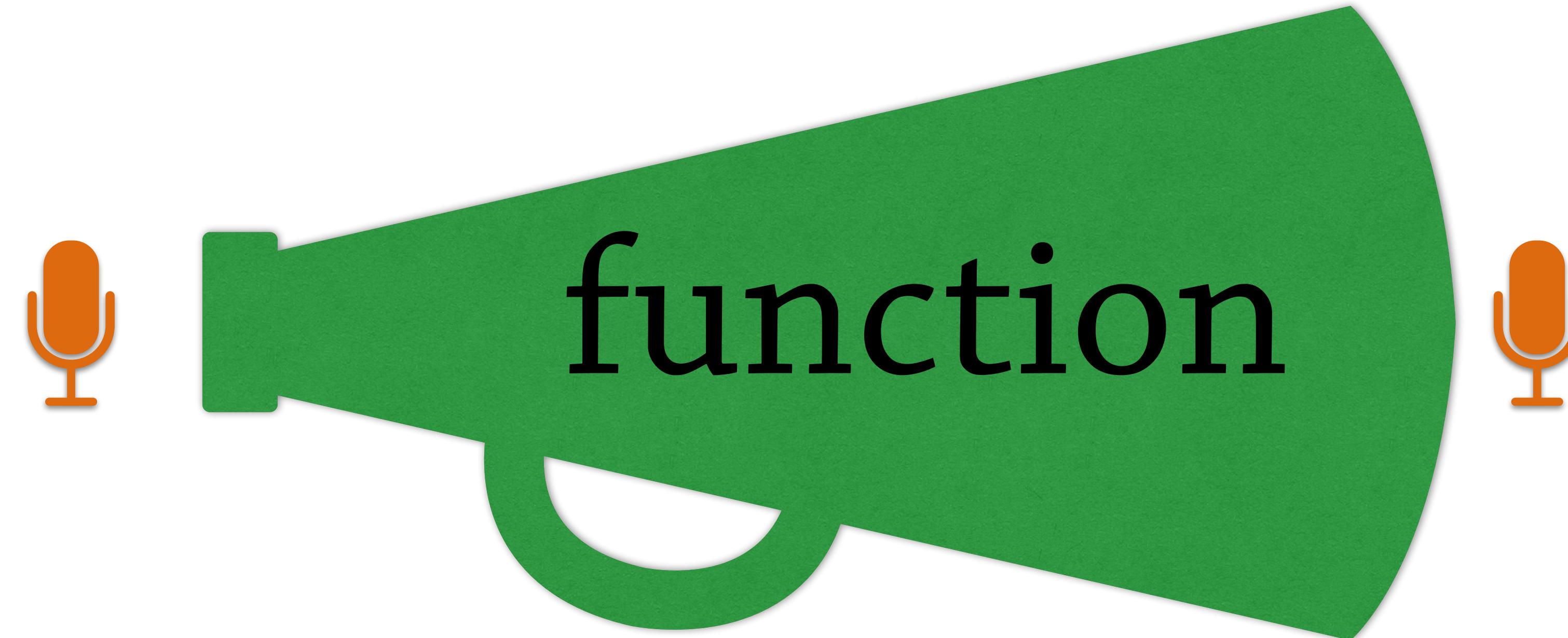
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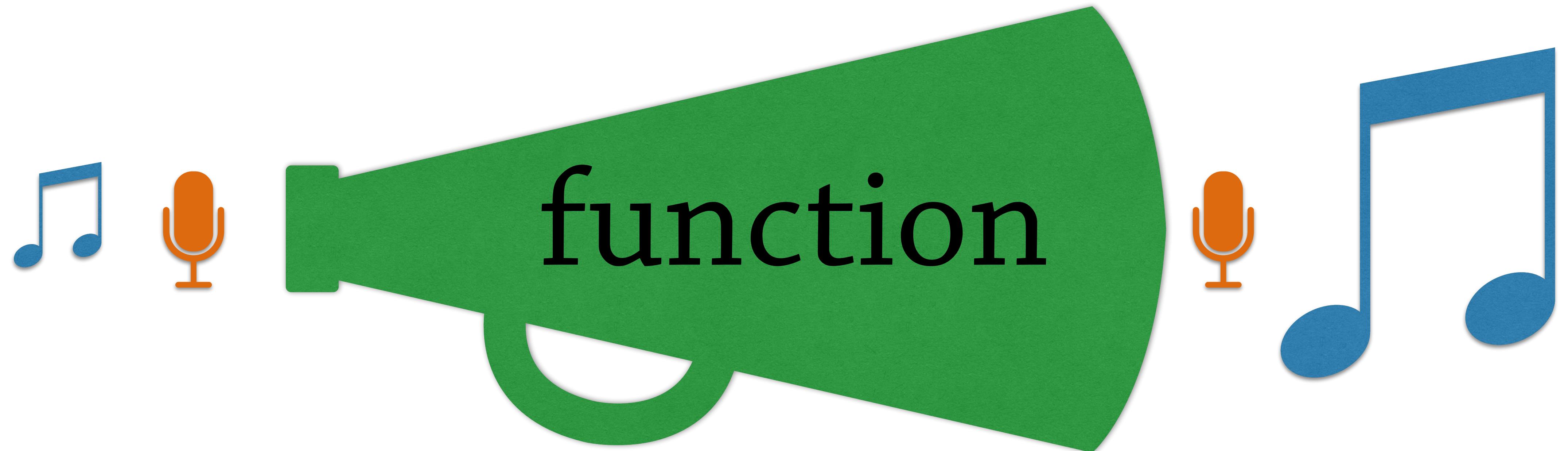
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Observe running program



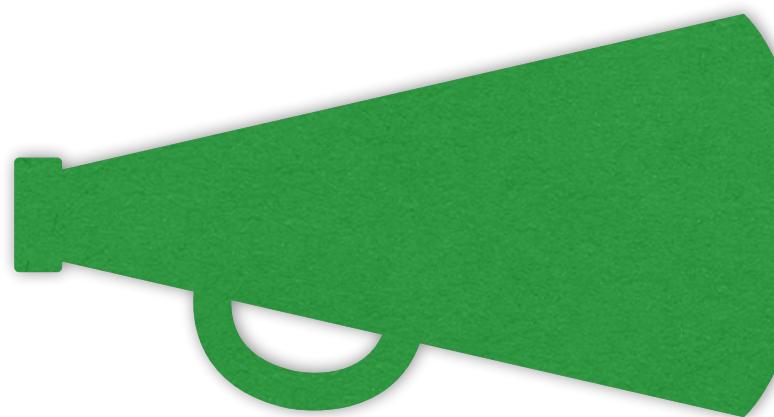
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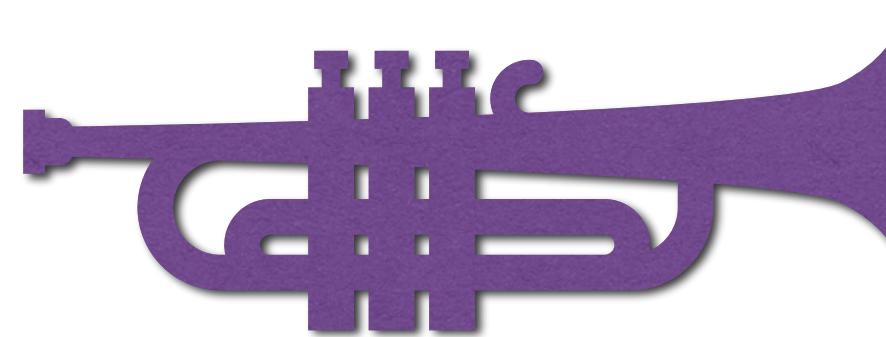


Step 3:

Summarize execution



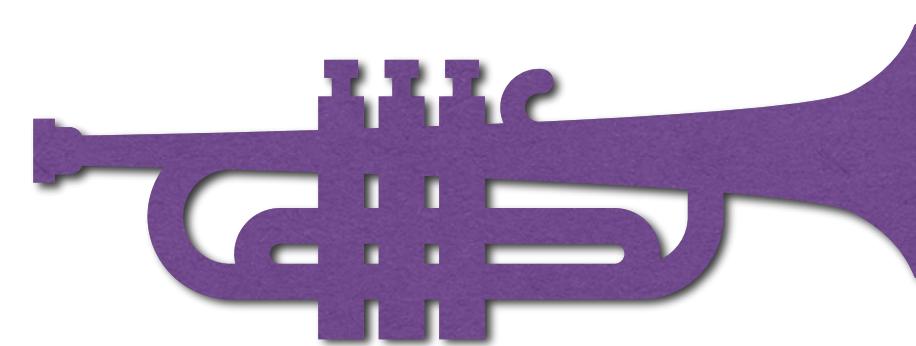
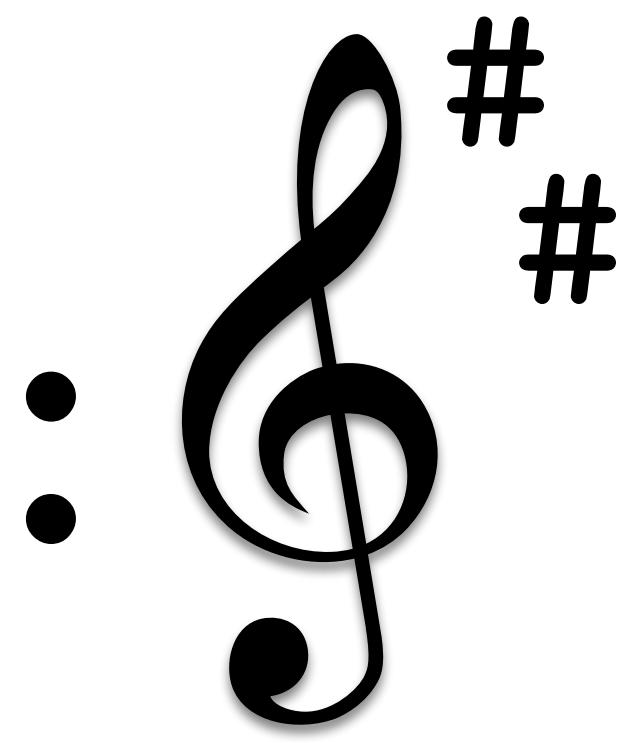
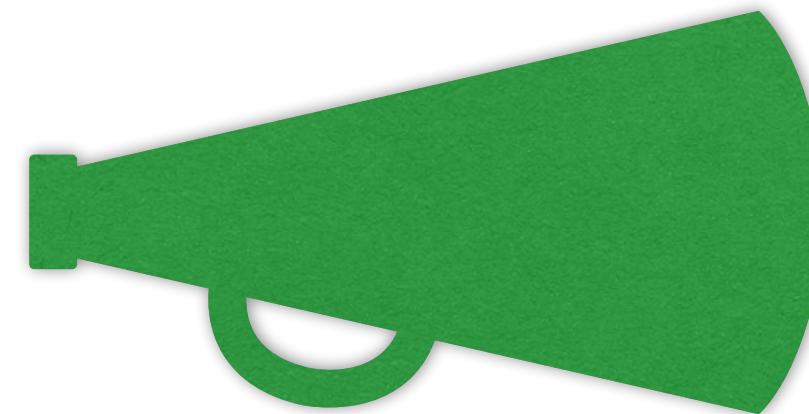
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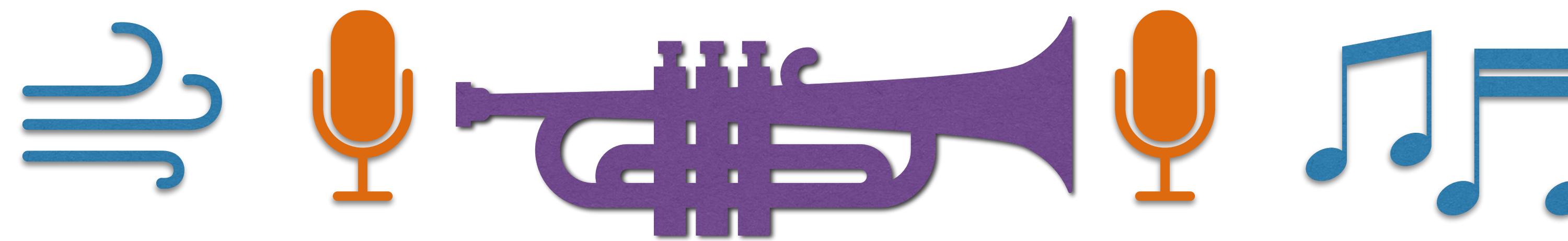
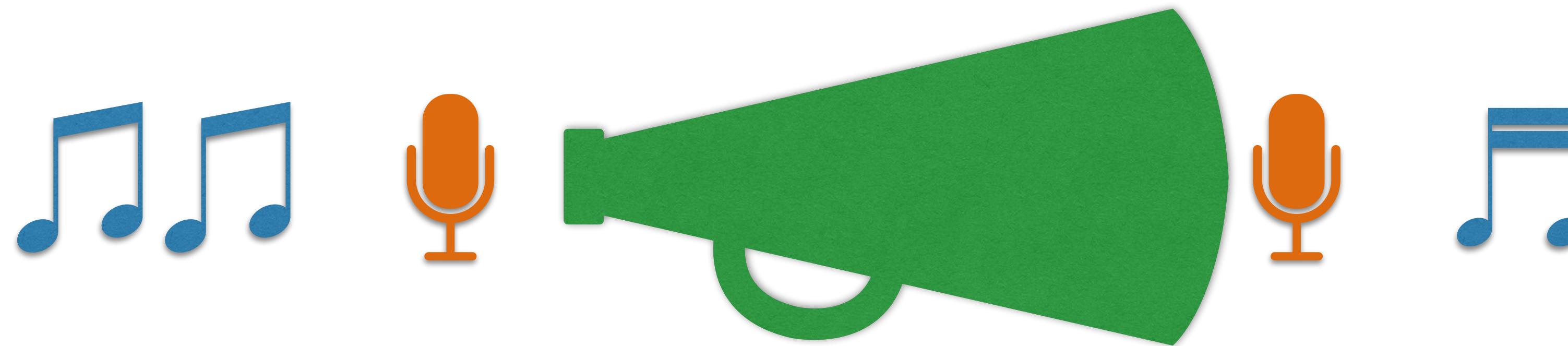
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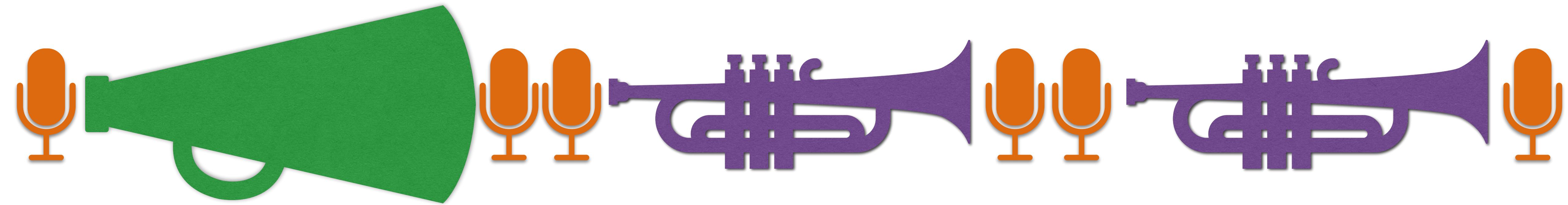
Summarize execution



This talk



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*...Something
completely different*

ClojureScript
Compilation

Compilation

Clojure

1

2

‘ (1 2)

JavaScript

1

2

cljs.core.list(1,2)

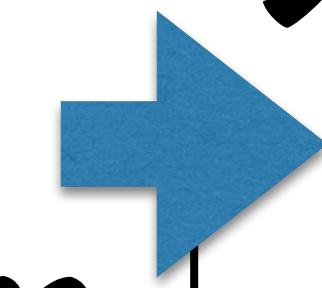
Compilation Lifecycle

<i>Clojure Form</i>	<i>AST</i>	<i>JS (string)</i>
1	{:op :val :val 1}	“1”
2	{:op :val :val 2}	“2”
‘(1 2)	{:op :list :items [{:op :val :val 1} {:op :val :val 2}]}	“cljs.core.list(1,2)”

Compilation Lifecycle

Analyze

Clojure Form



AST

JS (string)

1

{:op :val :val 1}

“1”

2

{:op :val :val 2}

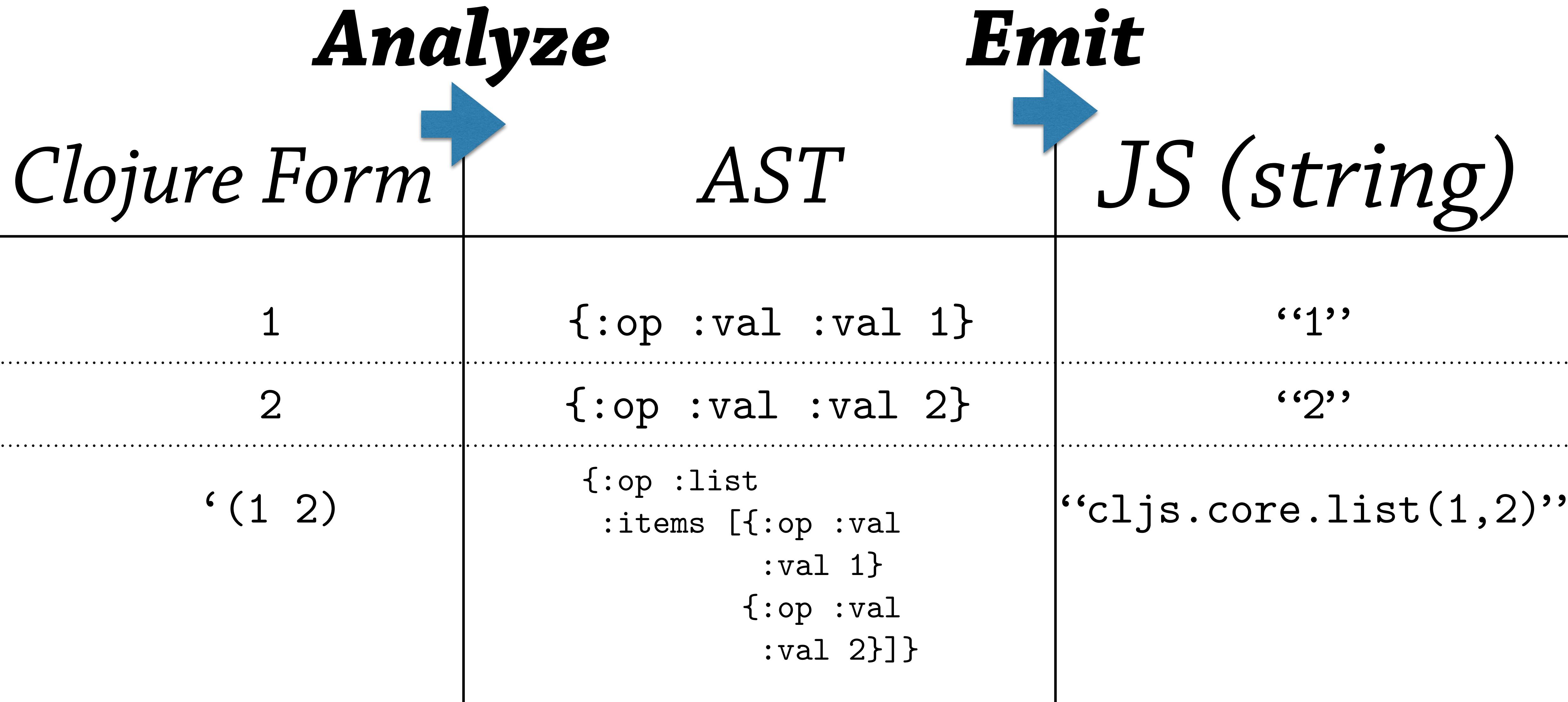
“2”

‘(1 2)

{:op :list
:items [{:op :val
:val 1}
{:op :val
:val 2}]}
}

“cljs.core.list(1,2)”

Compilation Lifecycle



Compilation Lifecycle

Analyze

Clojure Form

AST

Emit

TS' (string)

1

{:op :val :val 1}

“1”

2

{:op :val :val 2}

“2”

‘(1 2)

{:op :list
:items [{:op :val
:val 1}
{:op :val
:val 2}]}
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The emitter

```
(ann emit [Expr -> String])  
(defn emit [expr]  
  (cond  
    (= :val (:op expr)) (emit-val expr)  
    (= :list (:op expr)) (emit-list expr)  
    ...))
```

Instrumentation

```
(ann emit [Expr -> String])  
(defn emit [expr] microphone  
  (cond  
    (= :val (:op expr)) (emit-val expr) microphone  
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    ...))
```

Paths

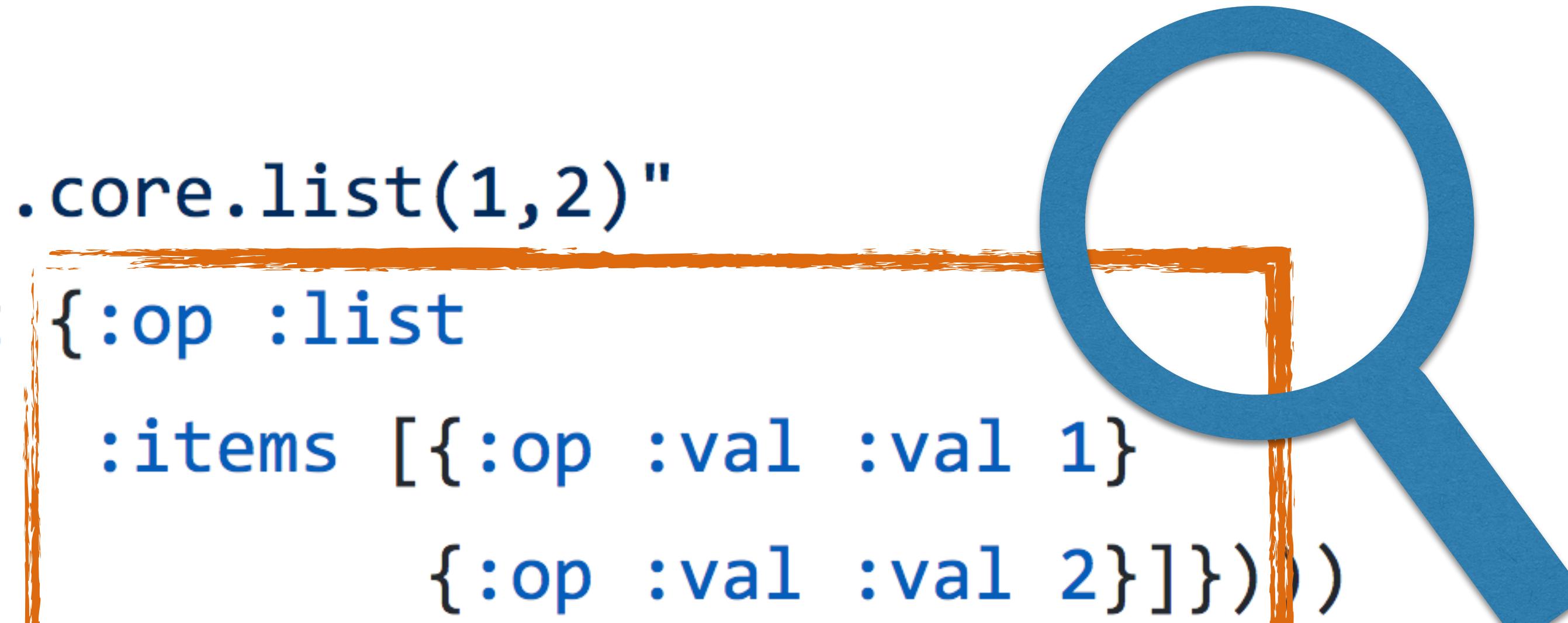
```
(ann emit [Expr -> String])
  (defn emit [expr] [emit (arg)]
    (cond
      (= :val (:op expr)) (emit-val expr) [emit (ret)])
      (= :list (:op expr)) (emit-list expr) [emit (ret)])
    ...))
```

Sample execution

```
(is (= "cljs.core.list(1,2)"  
      (emit {:op :list  
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[emit (arg)]
```



Instrumentation results

```
{:op :list  
  :items [{:op :val :val 1}  
           {:op :val :val 2}]}  
          [emit (arg)]  
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```

Instrumentation results

```
[emit (arg) ]  
{:op :list  
:items [{:op :val :val 1}  
{:op :val :val 2}]}  
}
```

Instrumentation results

```
[emit (arg) (key :op)]  
{:op :list}  
:items [{:op :val :val 1}  
{:op :val :val 2}]}  
[emit (arg) (key :op)]
```

Instrumentation results

[emit (arg) (key :op)]
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{:op :val :val 2}]}
[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)



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Instrumentation results

```
{:op :list
  [emit (arg) (key :items)]
:items [{:op :val :val 1}
         {:op :val :val 2}]]
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Instrumentation results

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{:op :list
  [emit (arg) (key :items) ]
:items [{:op :val :val 1} 
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```

[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)

Instrumentation results

```
{:op :list
  [emit (arg) (key :items) (vec)]
:items [{:op :val :val 1} 
         {:op :val :val 2}]}  
[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)
```

Instrumentation results

```
{:op :list
  [emit (arg) (key :items) (vec)
   :items [{:op :val:val 1}
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[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)

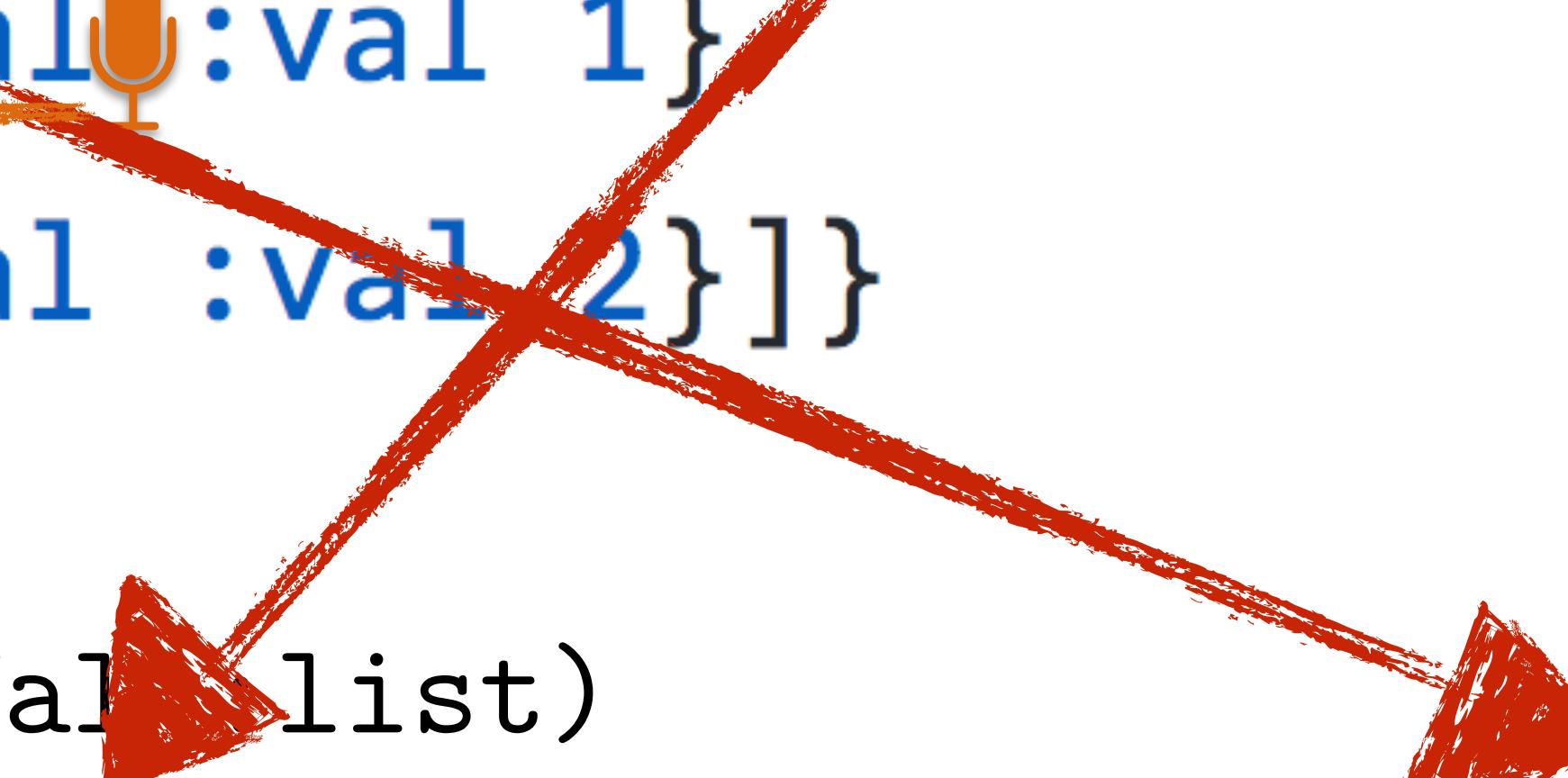
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```

```
[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)  
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Instrumentation results

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[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)

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Instrumentation results

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```

```
{:op :val :val 2}]}
```

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[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)  
[emit (arg) (key :items) (vec) (key :op)] : Val :val  
[emit (arg) (key :items) (vec) (key :val)] : Int
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Problem

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Walk
the same data,
twice ...

Recording Approach

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Tradeoffs

- *Rich recordings*
- *Significant runtime cost*

Solution: Lazy recording



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Wrap value



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[emit (arg)]

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Apply wrapper

Solution: Lazy recording

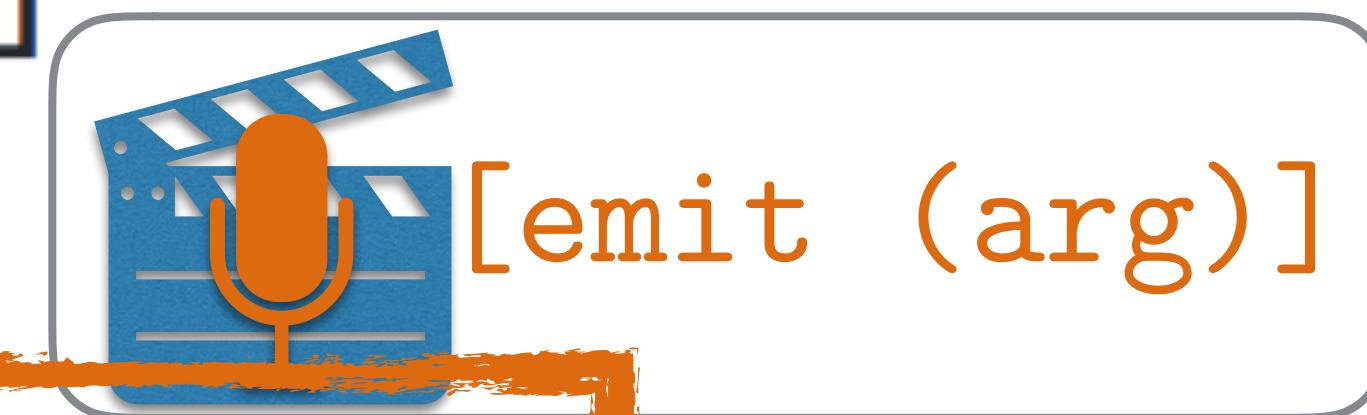
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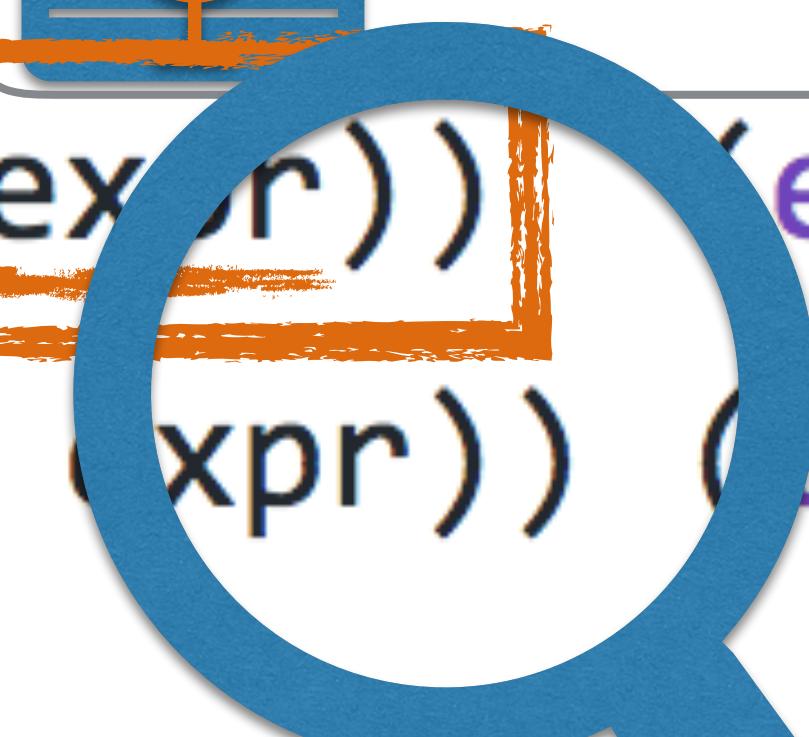


Lookup

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Solution: Lazy recording

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(ann emit [Expr -> String])  
  
(defn emit [expr]  
  (cond  
    (= :val (:op expr))) [emit (arg)]  
    (= :list (:op expr)) (emit-list expr)  
    ...))
```



Lazy Instrumentation results

```
{:op :list
:items [{:op :val :val 1}
{:op :val :val 2}]}  
Lookup :op
```

[emit (arg)]

Lazy Instrumentation results

Lookup :op

```
{:op :list [emit (arg)]  
:items [{:op :val :val 1}  
{:op :val :val 2}]}  
}
```



Lazy Instrumentation results

Lookup :op

{:op :list



[emit (arg) (key :op)]

:items [{:op :val :val 1}]

{:op :val :val 2}] }

Lazy Instrumentation results

{:op :list  [emit (arg) (key :op)]}

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Lazy Instrumentation results

{:op :list [emit (arg) (key :op)]}



:items [{:op :val :val 1}
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[emit (arg) (key :op)] : (Val :list)

Done (lazy!)

Solution: Lazy recording

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[emit (arg)]

Solution: Lazy recording

```
(ann emit [Expr -> String])
```

```
(defn emit [expr]
```

```
(cond
```

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```
...))
```

```
or))
```

```
expr))
```

```
(emit-val expr) (emit-list expr)
```



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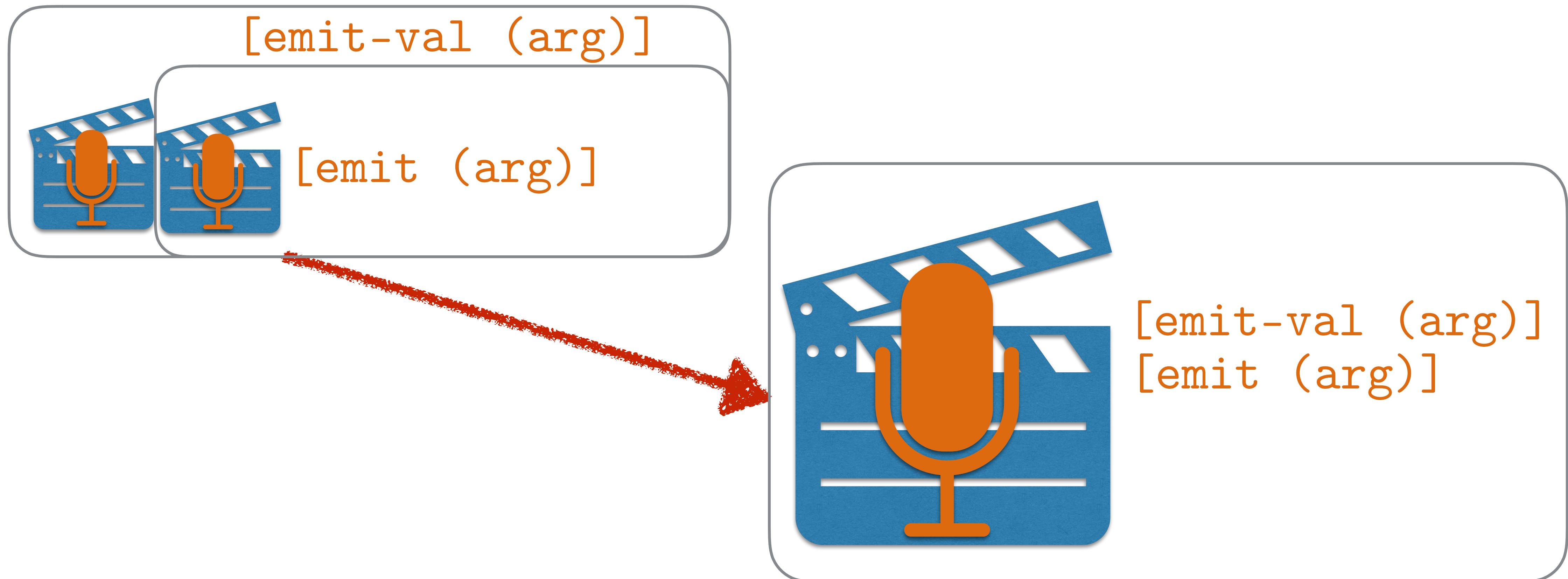


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Space-efficient wrapping



Space-efficient wrapping

```
(ann emit [Expr -> String])
```

```
(defn emit [expr]
```

```
(cond
```

```
(= :...)) (emit-val expr)
```

```
(= :list ...)) (emit-list expr)
```

```
...))
```

Combine...



Space-efficient wrapping

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    ...))
```



[emit-val (arg)]
[emit (arg)]

Space-efficient Lookup

```
{:op :list  
:items [{:op :val :val 1}  
{:op :val :val 2}]}  
Lookup :op
```



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[emit (arg)]

Space-efficient Lookup

Lookup :op

```
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[emit-val (arg)  
 [emit (arg) ]]
```

Space-efficient Lookup

Lookup :op

```
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[emit-val (arg) (key :op)]  
[emit (arg)]
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Space-efficient Lookup

Lookup :op

{:op

:list

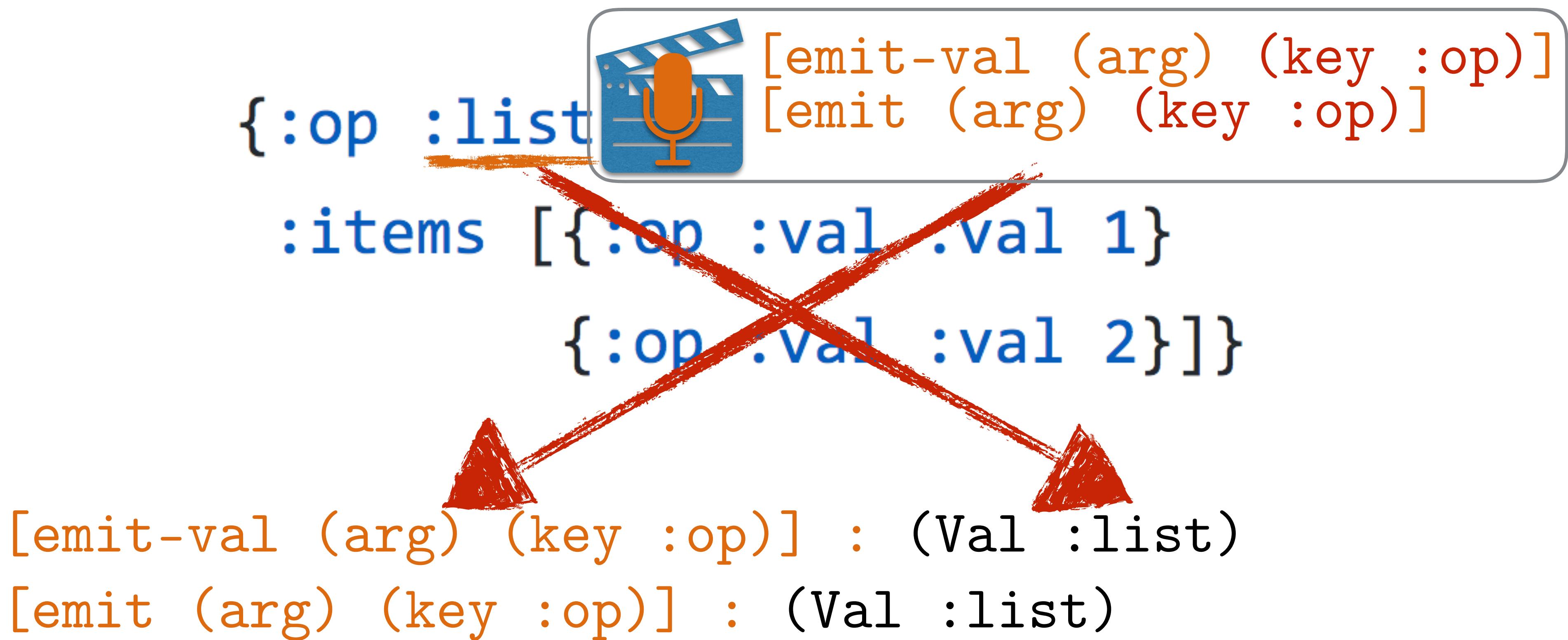


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Space-efficient Lookup



Space-efficient Lookup

{:op :list}



[emit-val (arg) (key :op)]
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Single pass
over data!

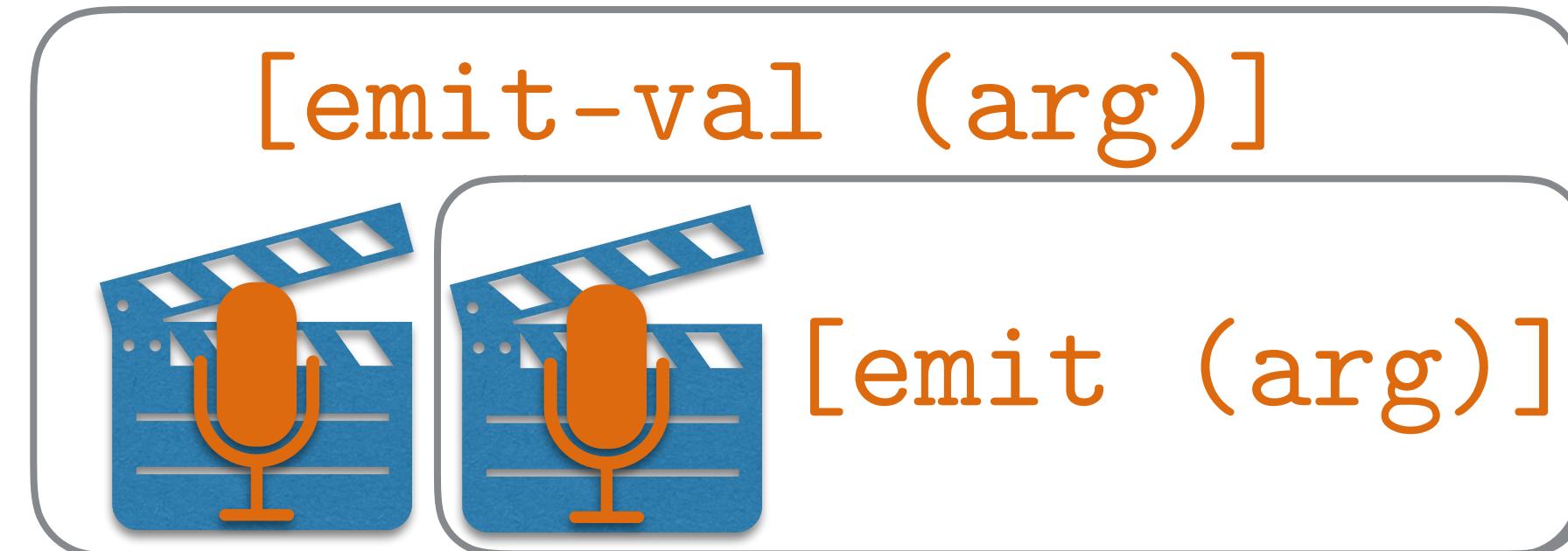
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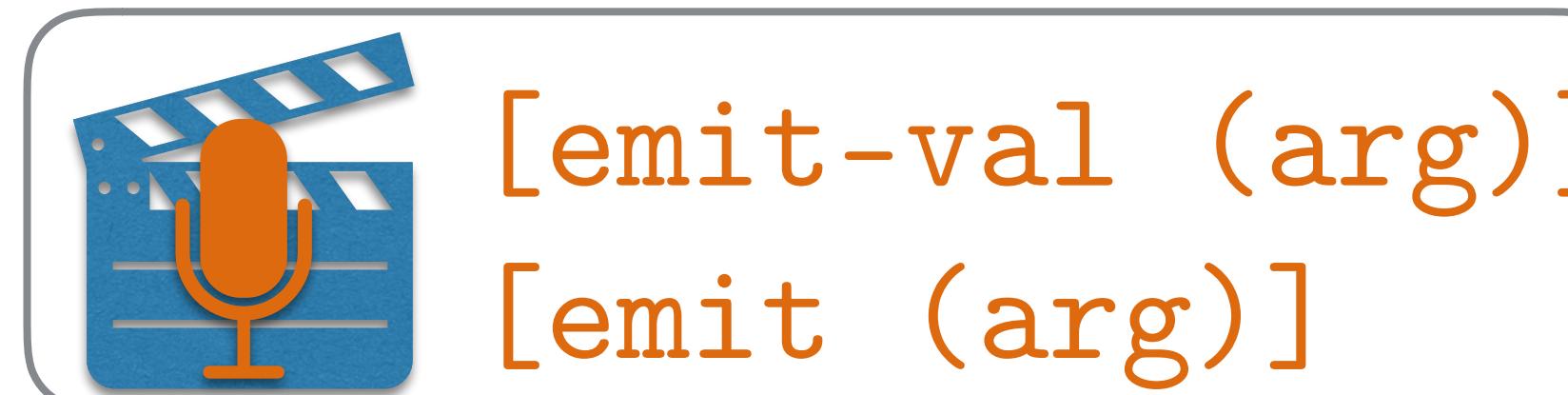
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+
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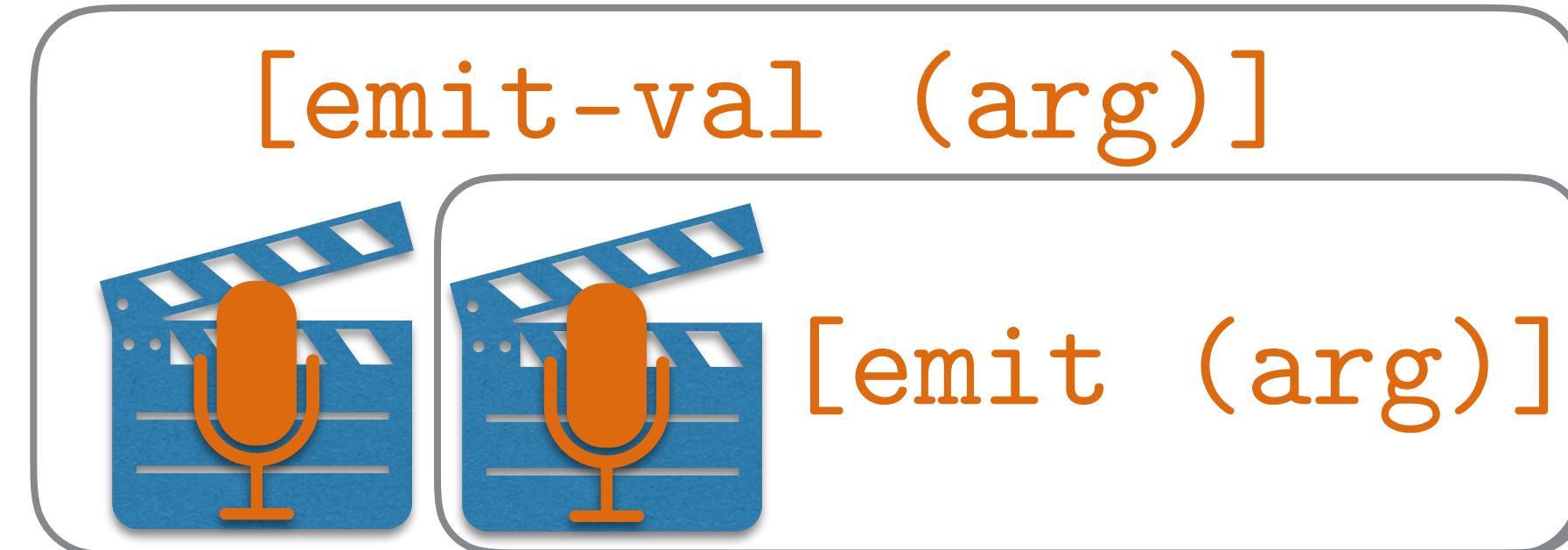
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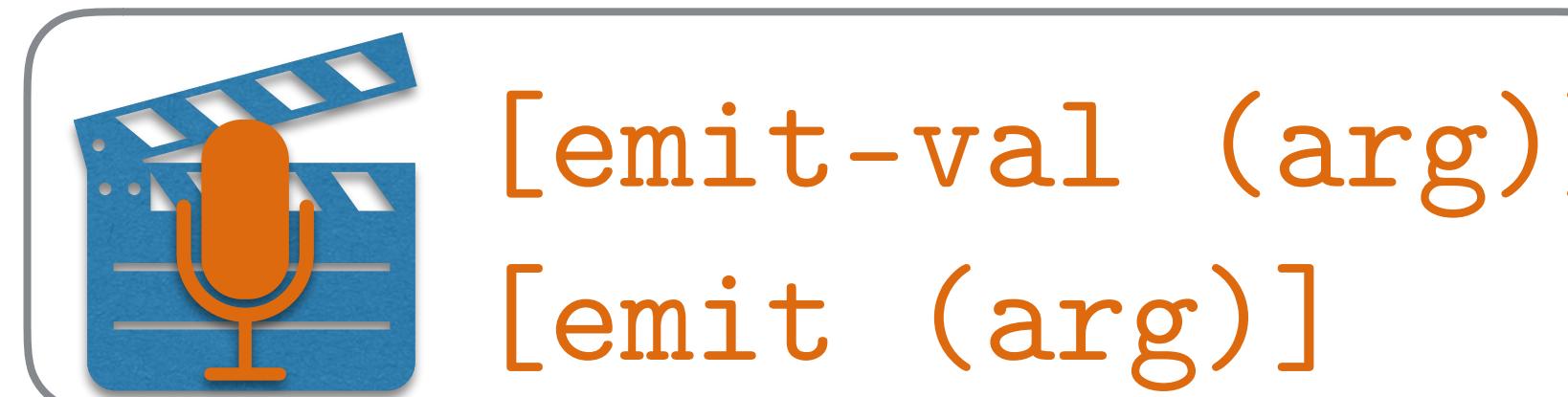
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