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U0W0JDY4C: so even if I invoke `(protocols/foo this)`, it still doesnt matter if I refer to the record's field or the `(:foo
this) because at that point the context has already changed
U0NCTKEV8: what?
U0NCTKEV8: the first argument is always going to be the thing you invoked the protocol function
U0NCTKEV8: on
U0W0JDY4C: ```(defrecord MyRecord [field]
 IMyProto
 (foo [this a] (do-something field)) <- here shouldnt matter if I use field or (:field this)?
(bar [this a] (protocols/foo this a)
U0W0JDY4C: I just want to make sure I dont get this very subtle bug by implementing a protocol that's using a field
versus a lookup on this, when self-referencing(?) a protocol
U050MP39D: 'field' and (:field this) will always be the same thing
U0W0JDY4C: i've been stabbed in the foot by javascript so many times I'm very paranoid
U0W0JDY4C: okay, good to know the context stays the same no matter how it's invoked
U0W0JDY4C: thanks <@U0NCTKEV8> <@U050MP39D> <@U051SS2EU>:thumbsup:
U0W0JDY4C : ```let my_obj = {
 lolGoodLuck(args) {
  let that = this
  function() {
   that.call(this, args)
  }
my obj.lolGoodLuck.apply(youWillNeverGuess)
U17DY48BW: Got a tough problem if anyone has an answer. Basically I have a large data structure (vector of
hashmaps) about 50,000 hashmaps. And I need to pass the data to a Java function, but the hashmap has keyword
keywords and those keywords need to be transferred to strings for the java function. Is there a fast way to convert
keyword keywords to strings? right now the conversion takes about 2 seconds
U07S8JGF7: Use strings from the start instead of keywords?
U07S8JGF7: You're talking linear time + string manipulation. Probably not a fast operation no matter how you slice it.
U051SS2EU: name shouldn't be manipulating strings - it should just be getting a field from the keyword
U07S8JGF7: Turning string data into keywords is a bad habit that clojure developers have. Benefit is really only
concision, downsides are slow and buggy translation.
U051SS2EU: (I mean, if you are converting by manipulating strings, use name instead)
U07S8JGF7: Yeah right. Fair enough.
U1ALMRBLL: <@U17DY48BW> I just generated 50,000 keywords, at 50 random characters each (using c.s.gen), and
both 'str' and 'name' take about <10ms to convert the whole vector from keywords to strings
(defn trunc [s n]
 (subs s 0 (min (count s) n)))
(def kws
 (doall
  (gen/sample
   (gen/fmap
    #(keyword (trunc (name %) 50))
     (gen/keyword))
   50000))
(time (do (doall (map name kws)) nil))
"Elapsed time: 5.684874 msecs"
=&at; nil
(time (do (doall (map str kws)) nil))
"Elapsed time: 5.781799 msecs"
=> nil
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U1ALMRBLL: (where `gen` is `clojure.spec.gen.alpha`)

U17DY48BW: <@U1ALMRBLL> ya your test doesn't compare as I am talking about a series of hashmaps with

multiple keys in each one

U17DY48BW: but <@U07S8JGF7> your suggestion is what I landed on, so I'll just change my json decoding to get string keys

U1ALMRBLL: oh, so there are many such keywords in each hashmap?

U17DY48BW: <@U1ALMRBLL> correct

U1ALMRBLL: how many total?

U051SS2EU: I bet the map construction when converting is the more expensive part, not the keyword/string part

U1ALMRBLL: ^^ yep

U051SS2EU: but avoiding converting avoids both