

# MULTILINGUAL COMPONENT PROGRAMMING IN RACKET

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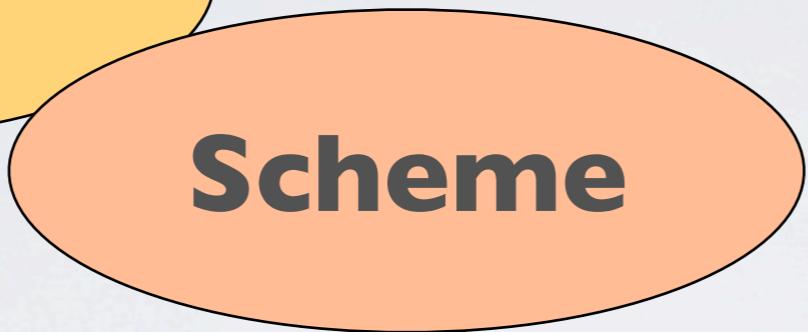
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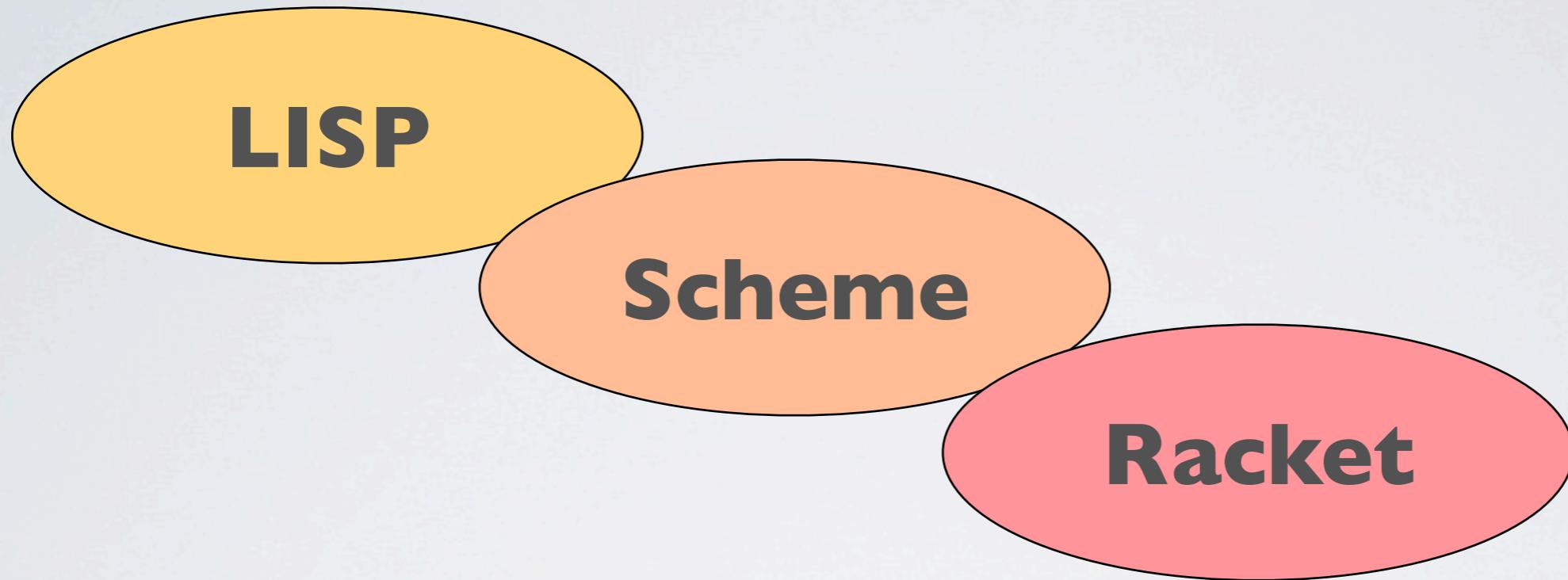
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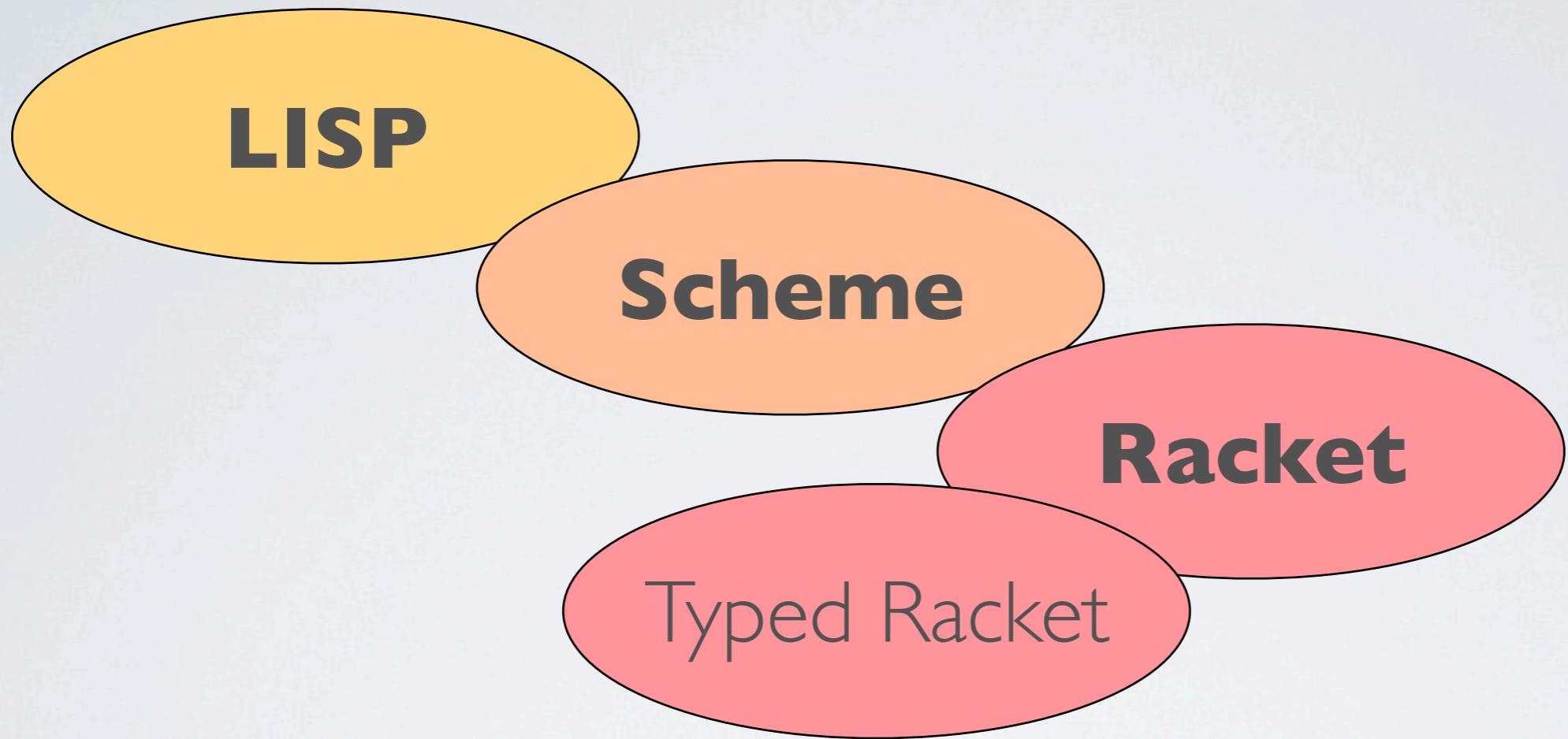


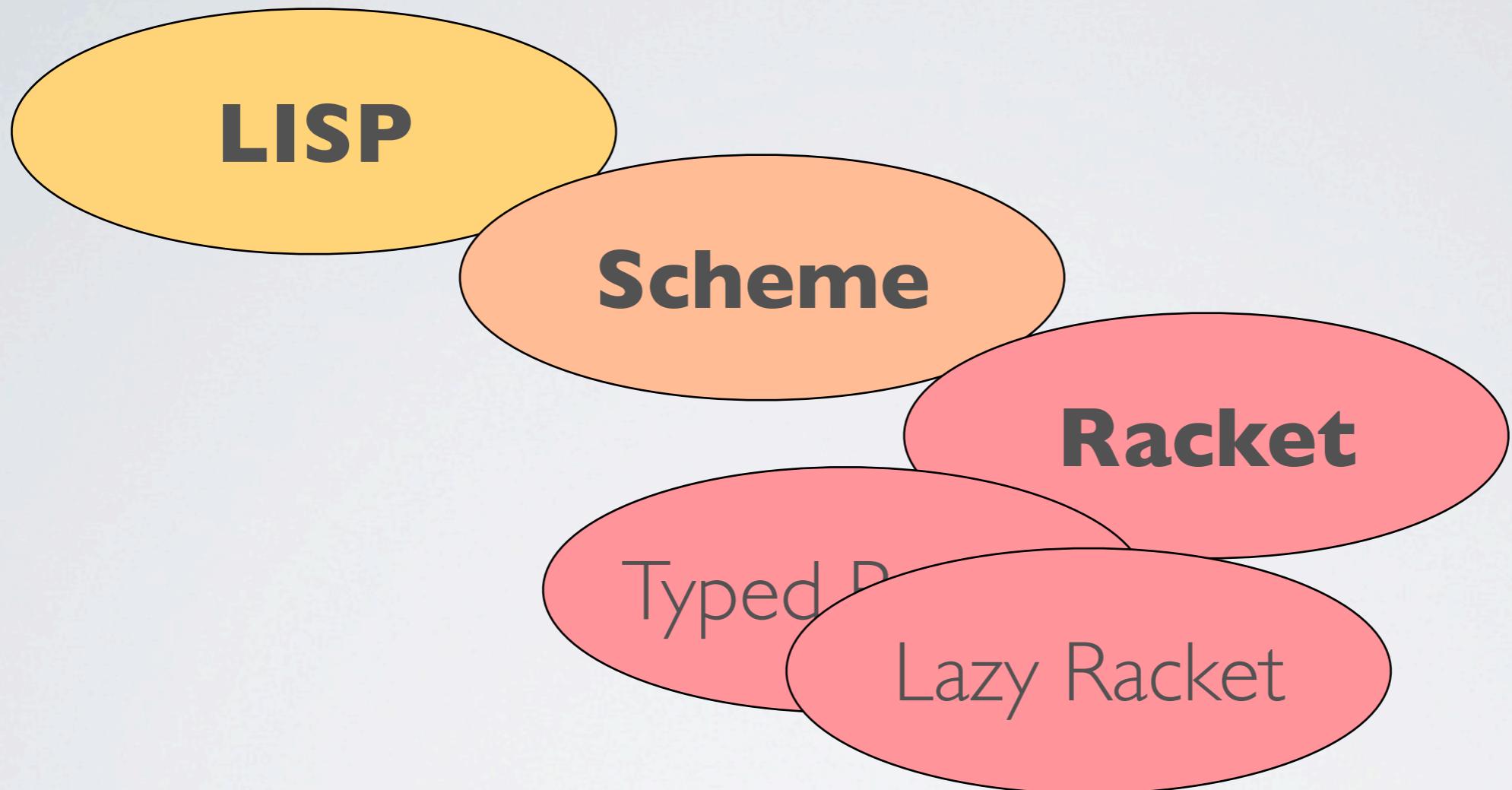
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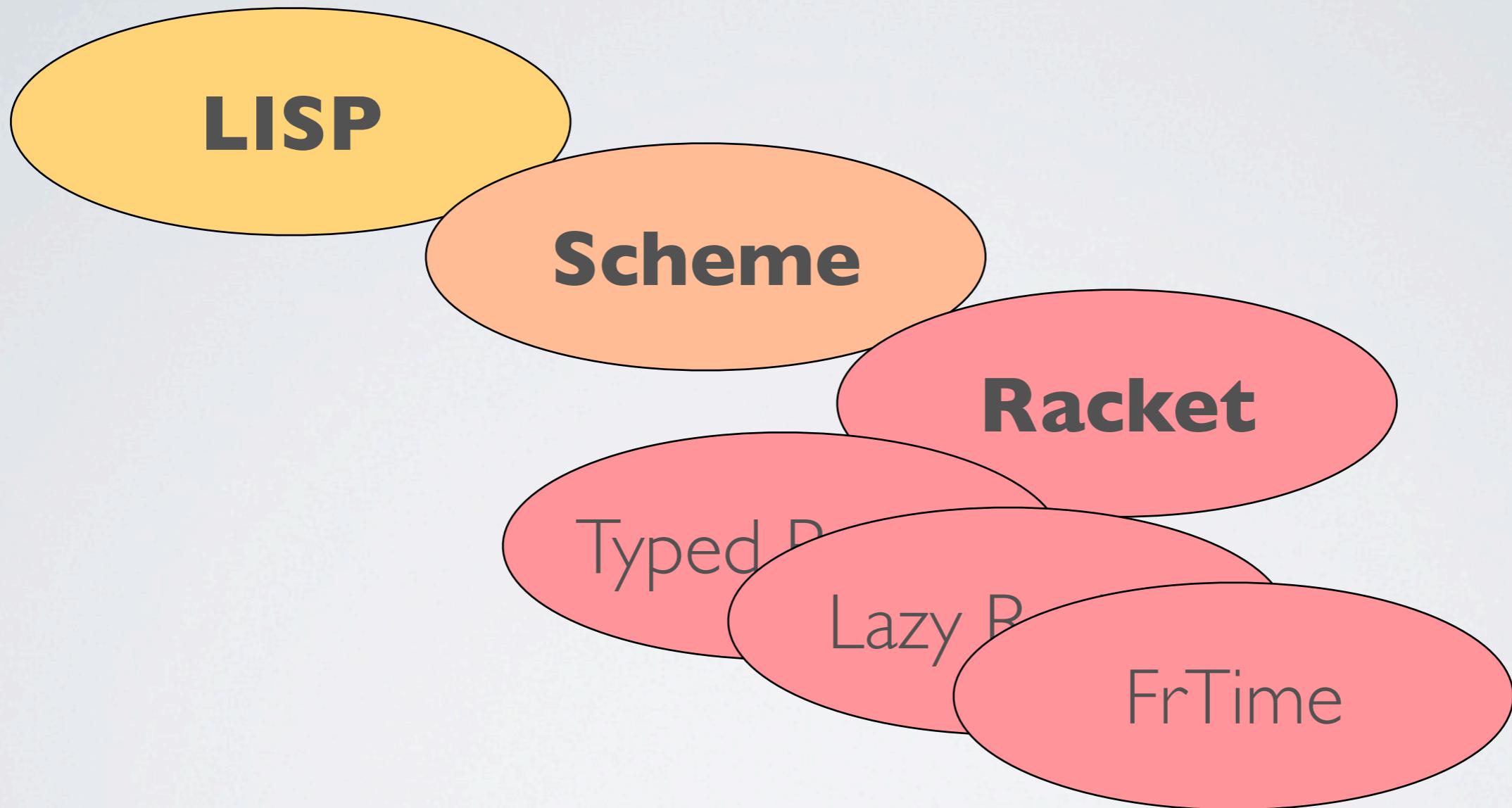


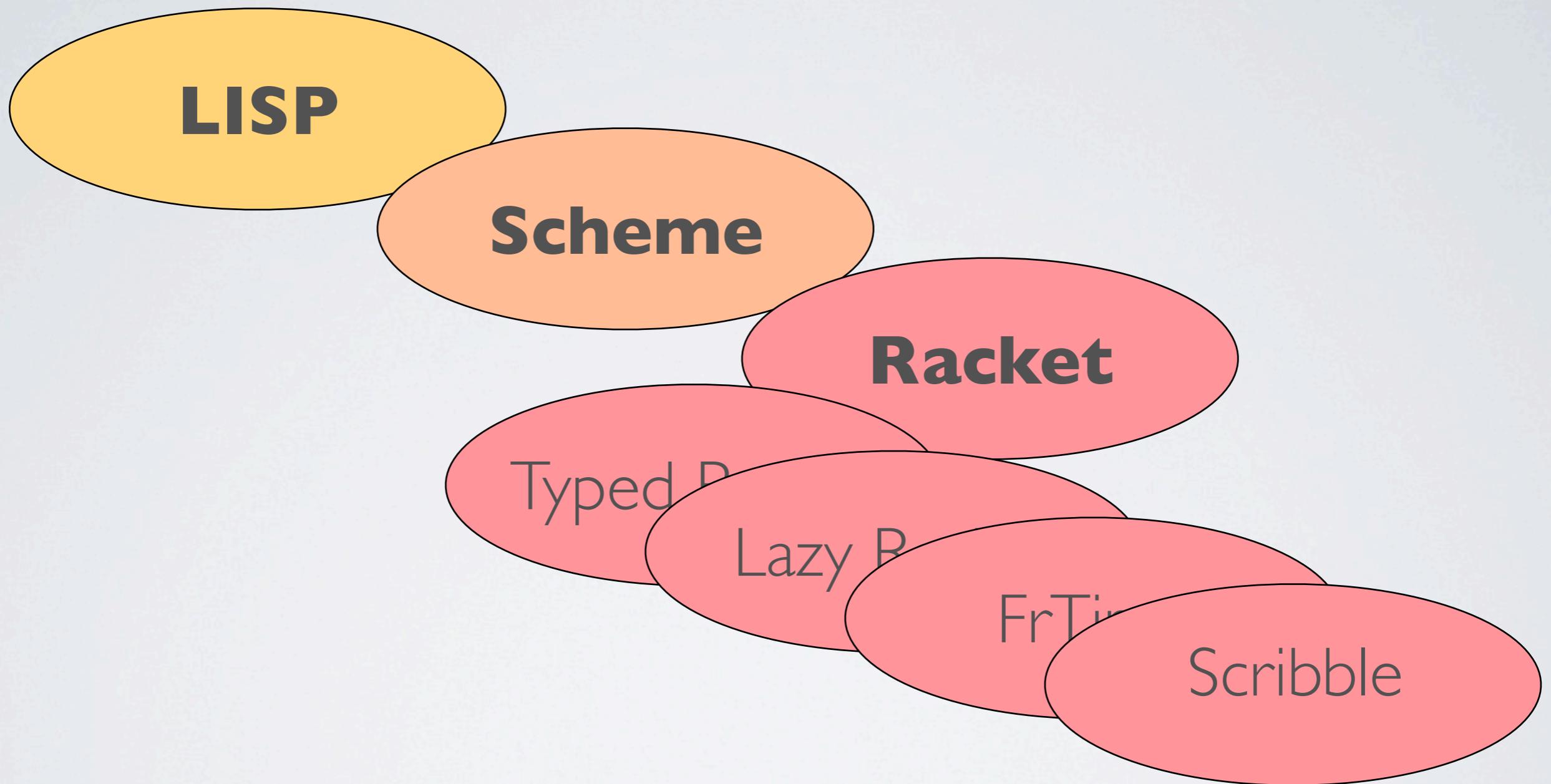
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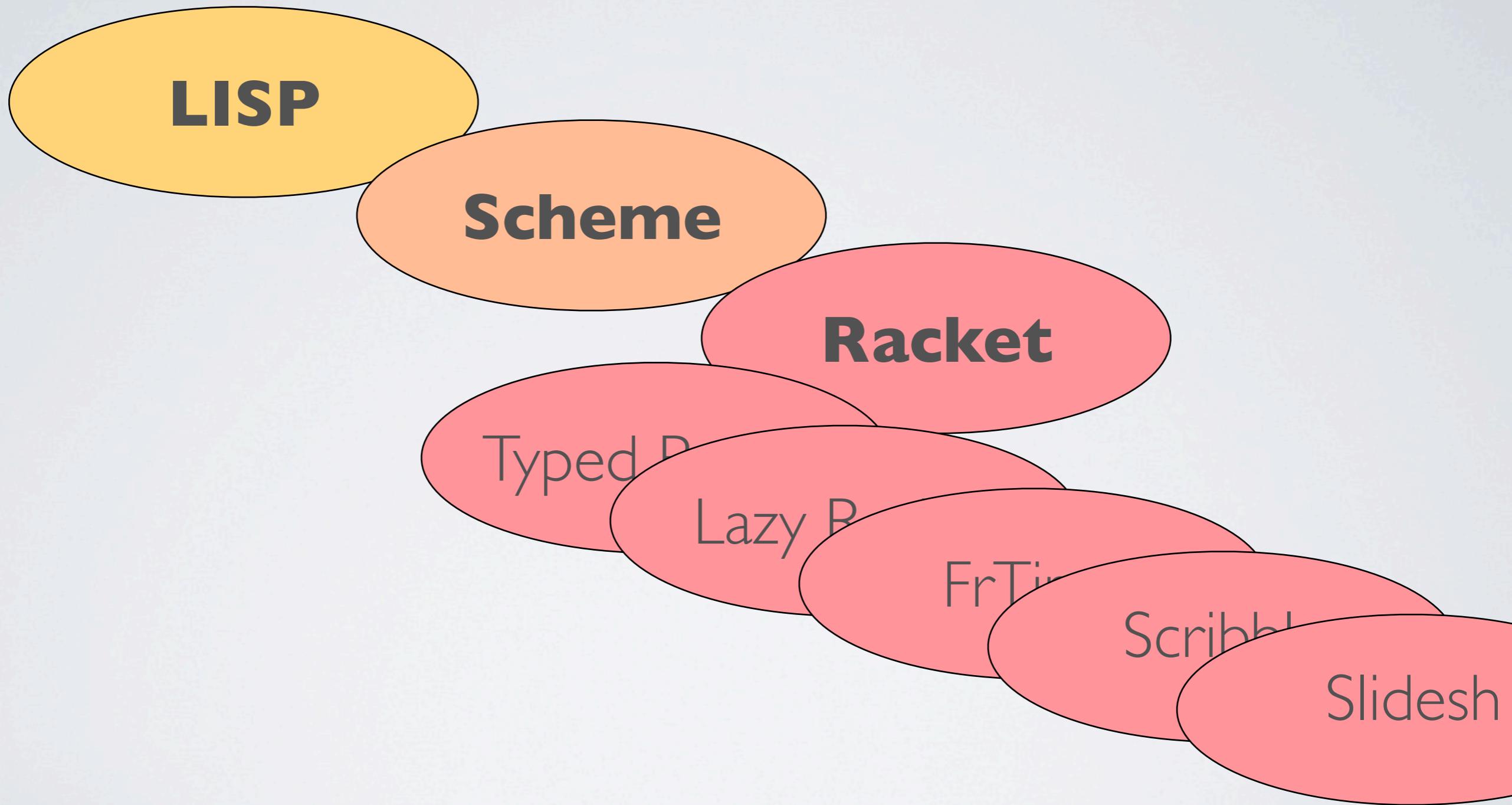


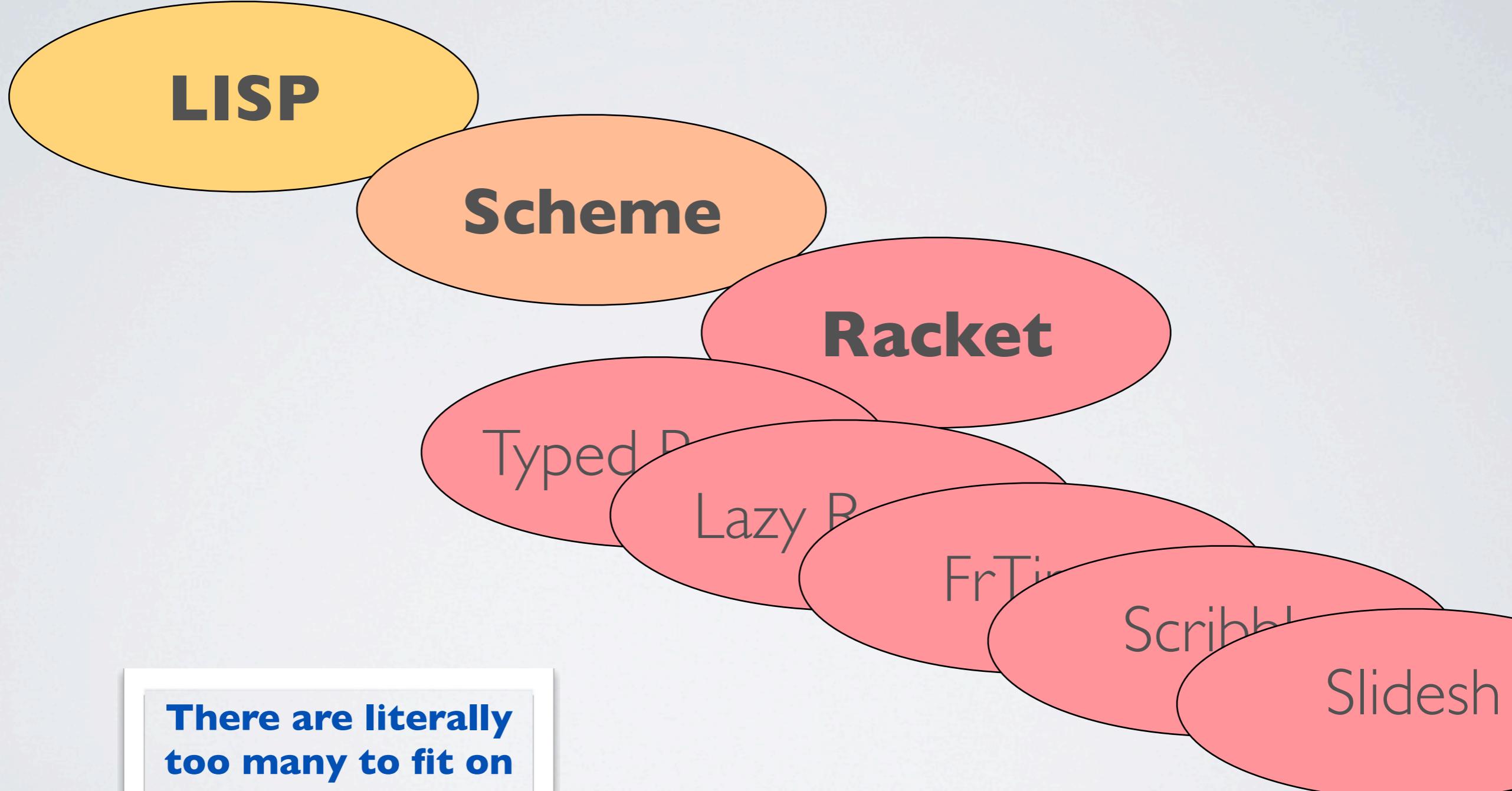












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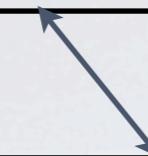
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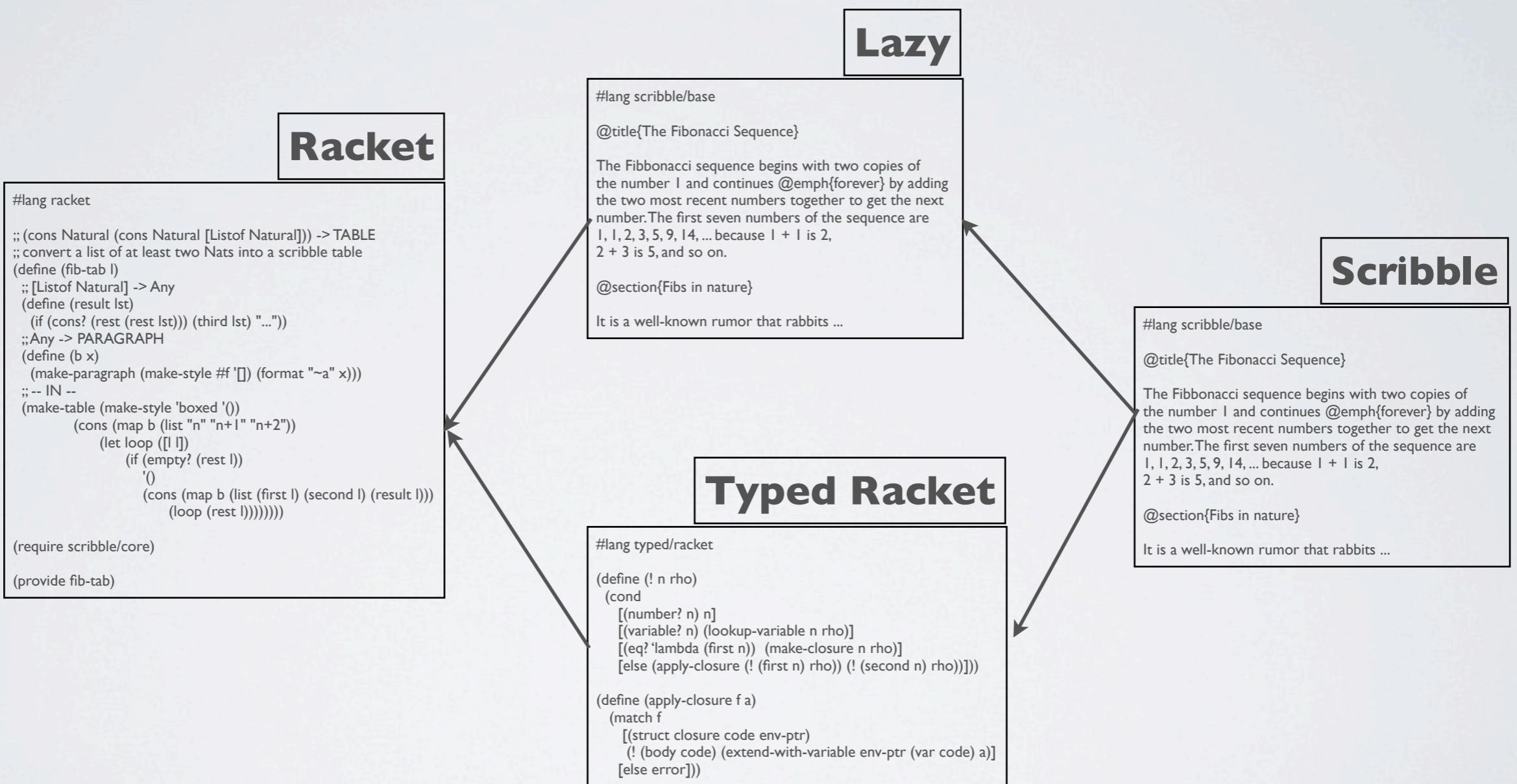
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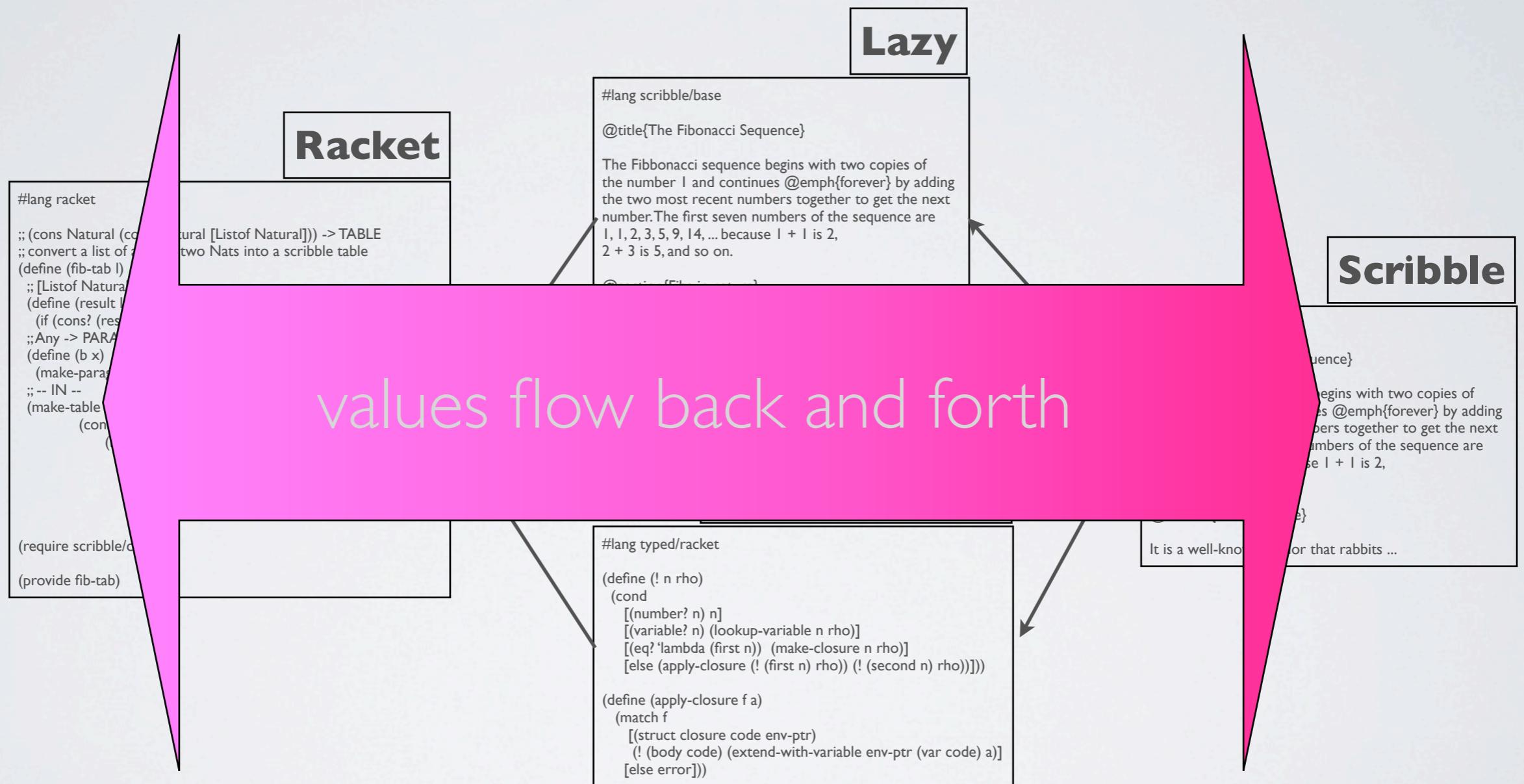
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generate actual code

The Foundation: Racket Core (VM)





## doc.scrbl

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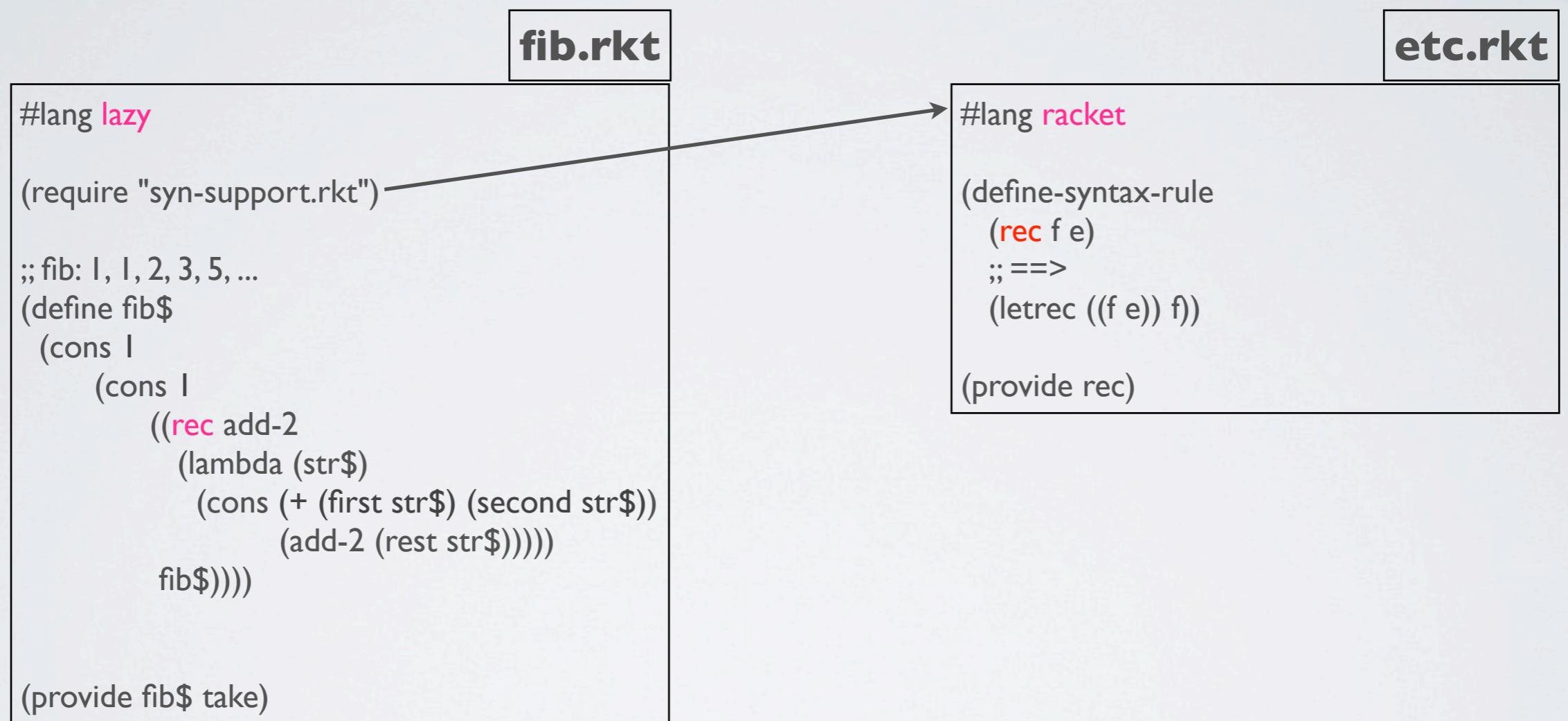
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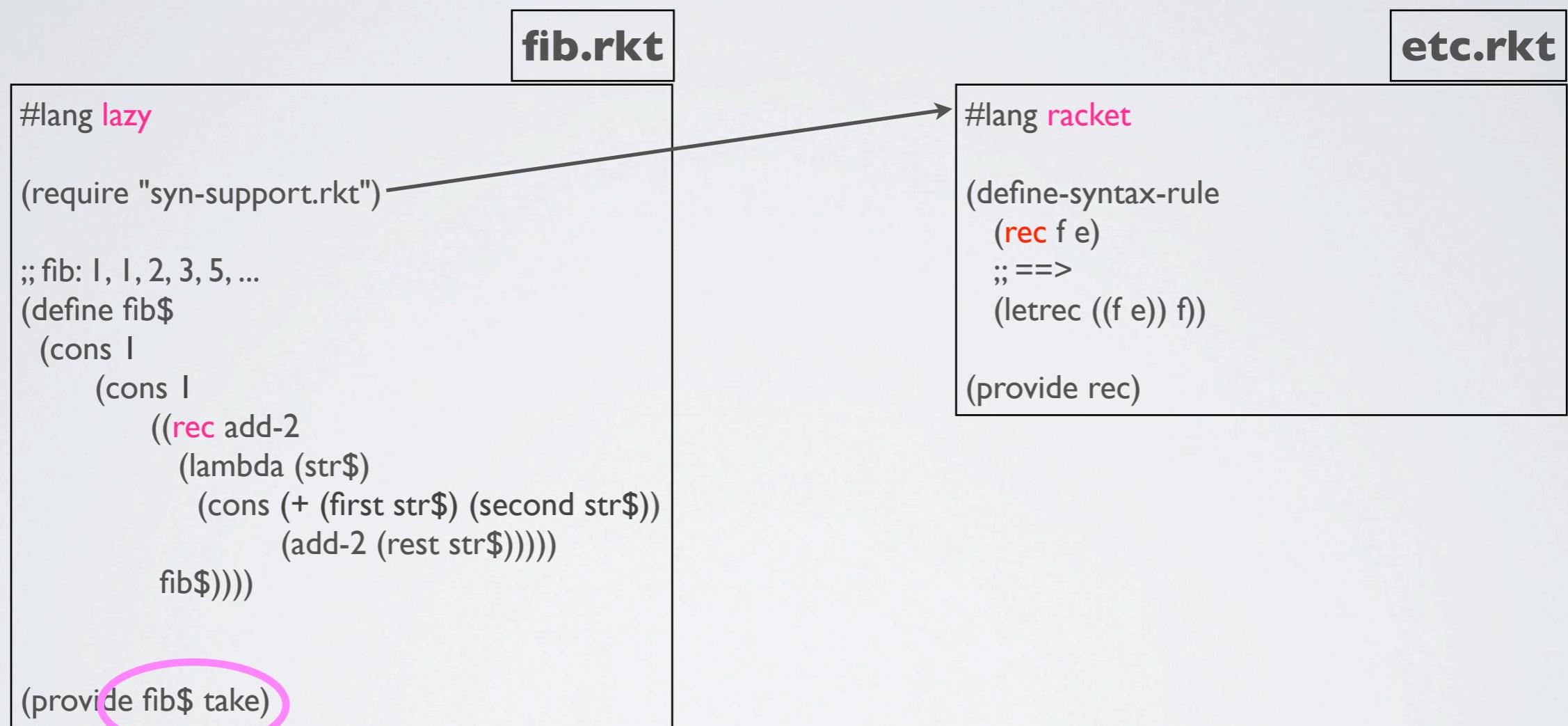
```
#lang lazy

(require "syn-support.rkt")

;; fib: I, I, 2, 3, 5, ...
(define fib$
  (cons I
    (cons I
      ((rec add-2
        (lambda (str$)
          (cons (+ (first str$) (second str$))
            (add-2 (rest str$))))))
        fib$)))))

(provide fib$ take)
```





fib\$ : the stream of fibonacci numbers  
 take: a library function of the **lazy** lang

## doc-v2.scrbl

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@(require lazy/force "fib.ss")

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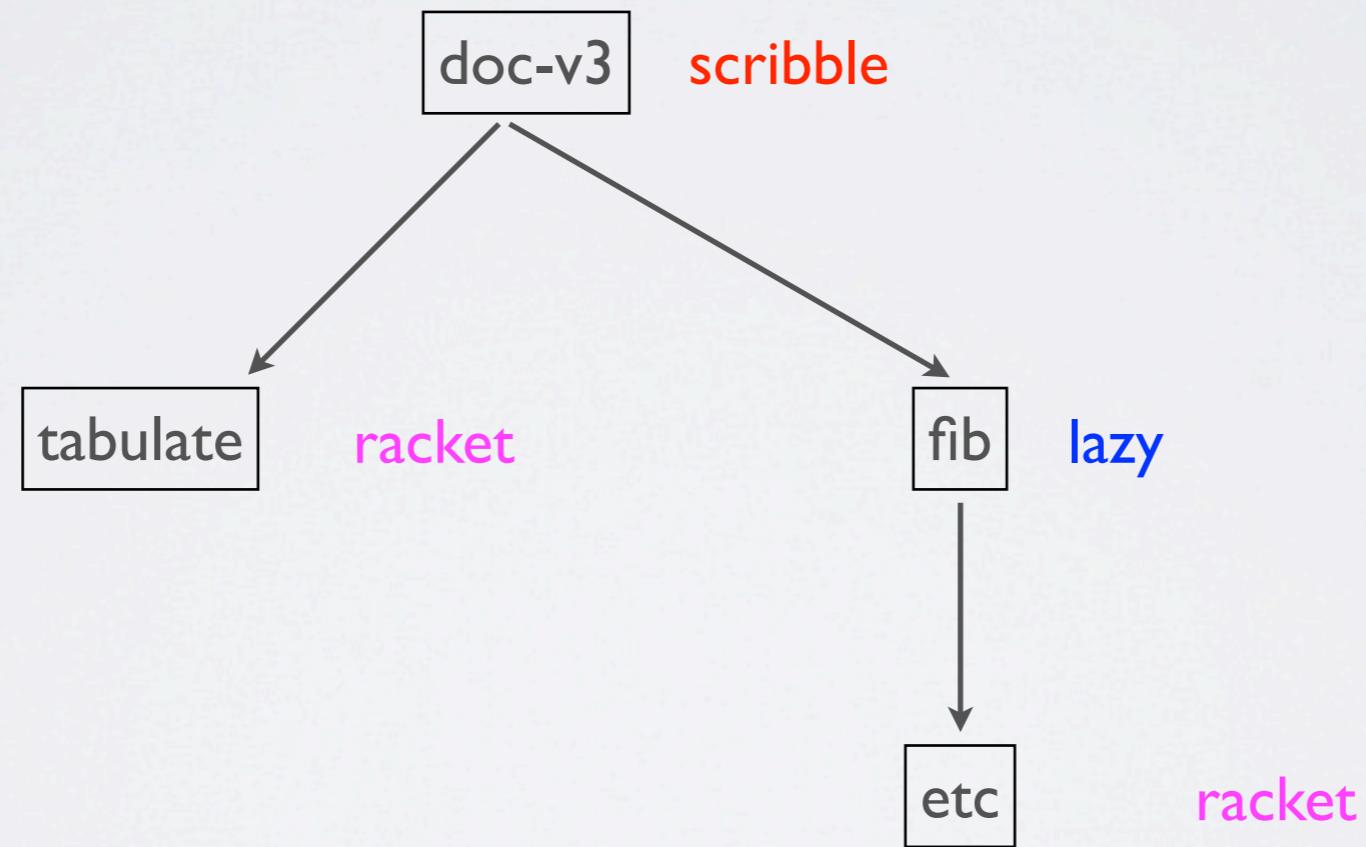
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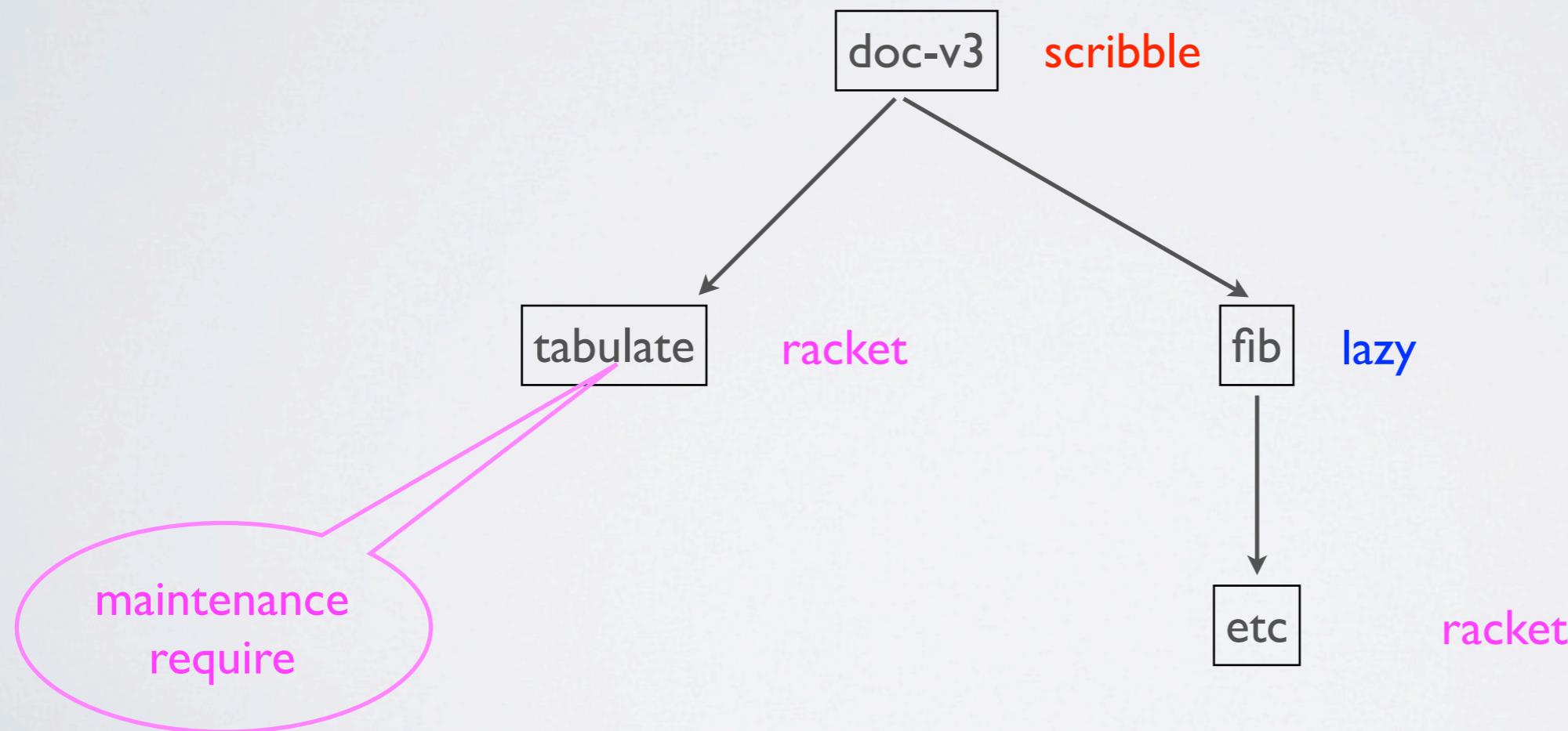
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You need to recall the “types”  
you had in mind originally.

## tabulate.rkt

```
#lang racket

;; (cons Natural (cons Natural [Listof Natural])) -> TABLE
;; convert a list of at least two Nats into a scribble table
(define (tabulate l)
  ;; [Listof Natural] -> Any
  (define (result lst)
    (if (cons? (rest (rest lst))) (third lst) "..."))
  ;; Any -> PARAGRAPH
  (define (b x)
    (make-paragraph (make-style #f '[]) (format "~a" x)))
  ;; -- IN --
  (make-table
    (make-style 'boxed '())
    (cons (map b (list "n" "n+1" "n+2"))
          (let loop ([l l])
            (if (empty? (rest l))
                '()
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  (require scribble/core)

(provide tabulate)
```

You might as well make them explicit and checkable.

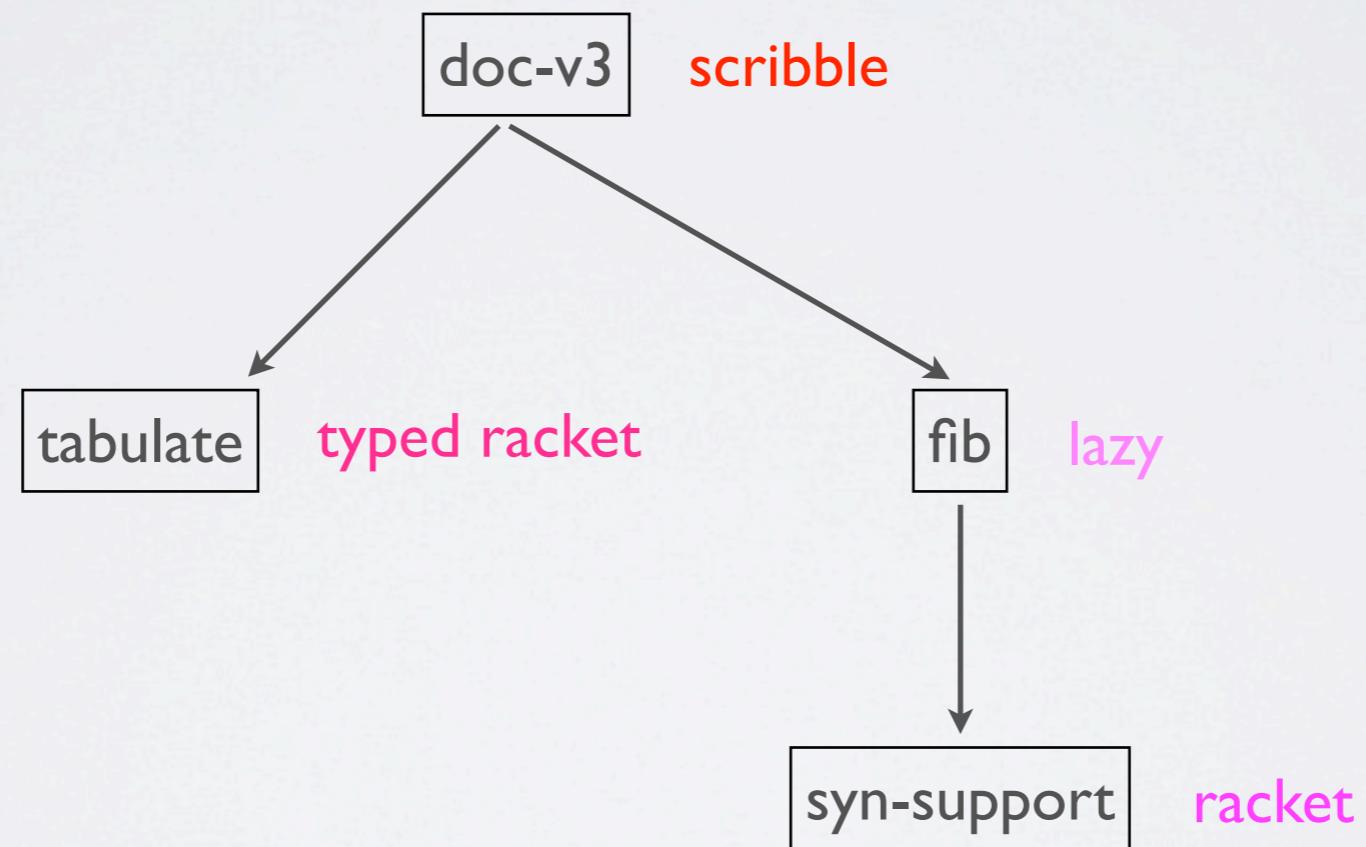
## tabulate.rkt

### #lang typed/racket

```
(: fib-tab ((cons Natural (cons Natural [Listof Natural])) -> table))
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(define (tabulate l)
  (: result ([Listof Natural] -> Any))
  (define (result lst)
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  (: b (Any -> paragraph))
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How the modules hang together,  
still, even with types added.



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- generative programming to implement languages
- safe component interaction in a multi-lingual world

# SAFE INTERACTIONS

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## FrTime

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How does a *reactive* program  
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But how do you guarantee *type soundness*?

What is type safety in a world of  
*typed* and *untyped* components?

inc.rkt

main.rkt

**#lang typed/racket**

```
(: inc5 (Integer -> Integer))
;; increment argument by 5
(define (inc5 i)
  (+ i 5))

(provide inc5)
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**#lang racket**

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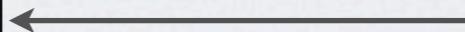
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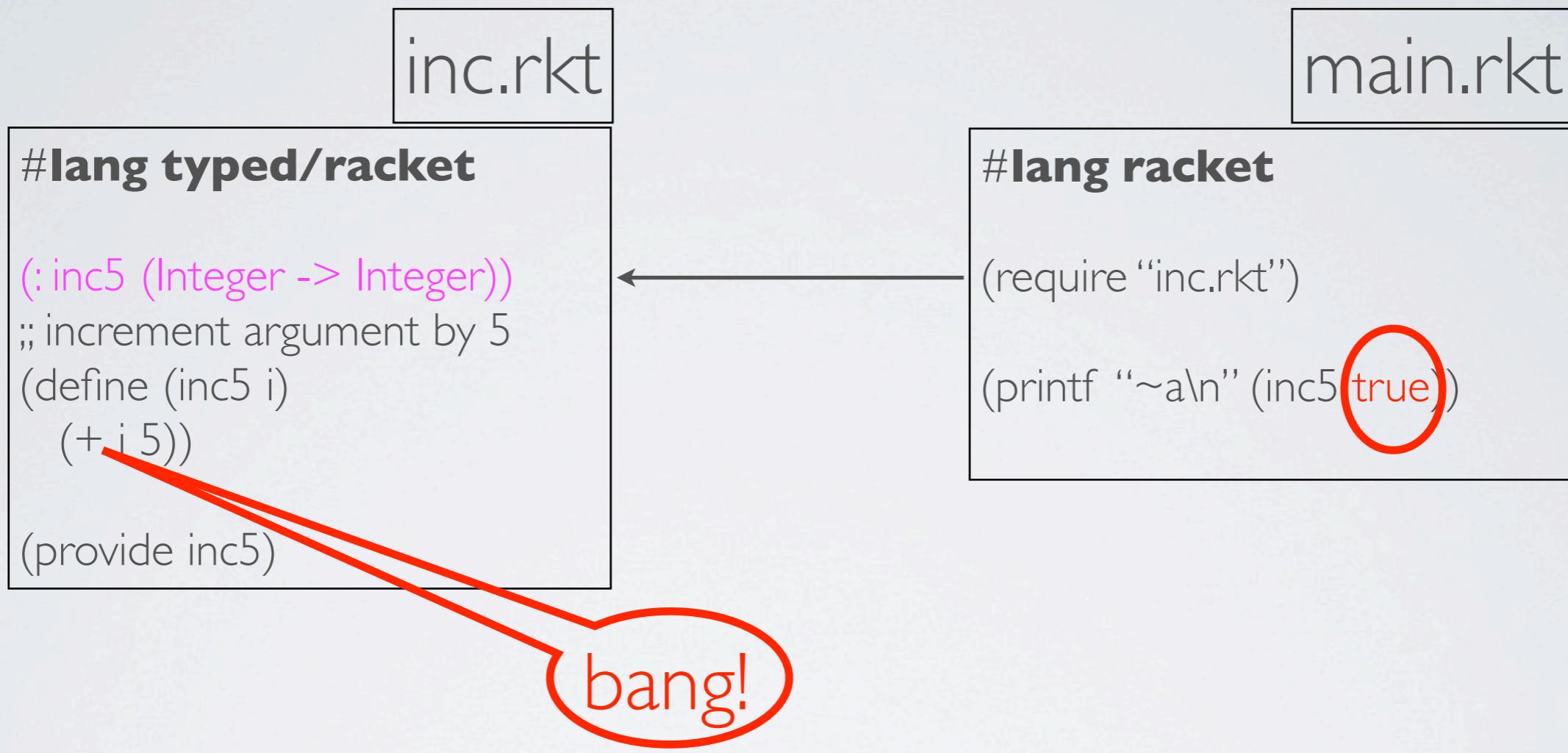
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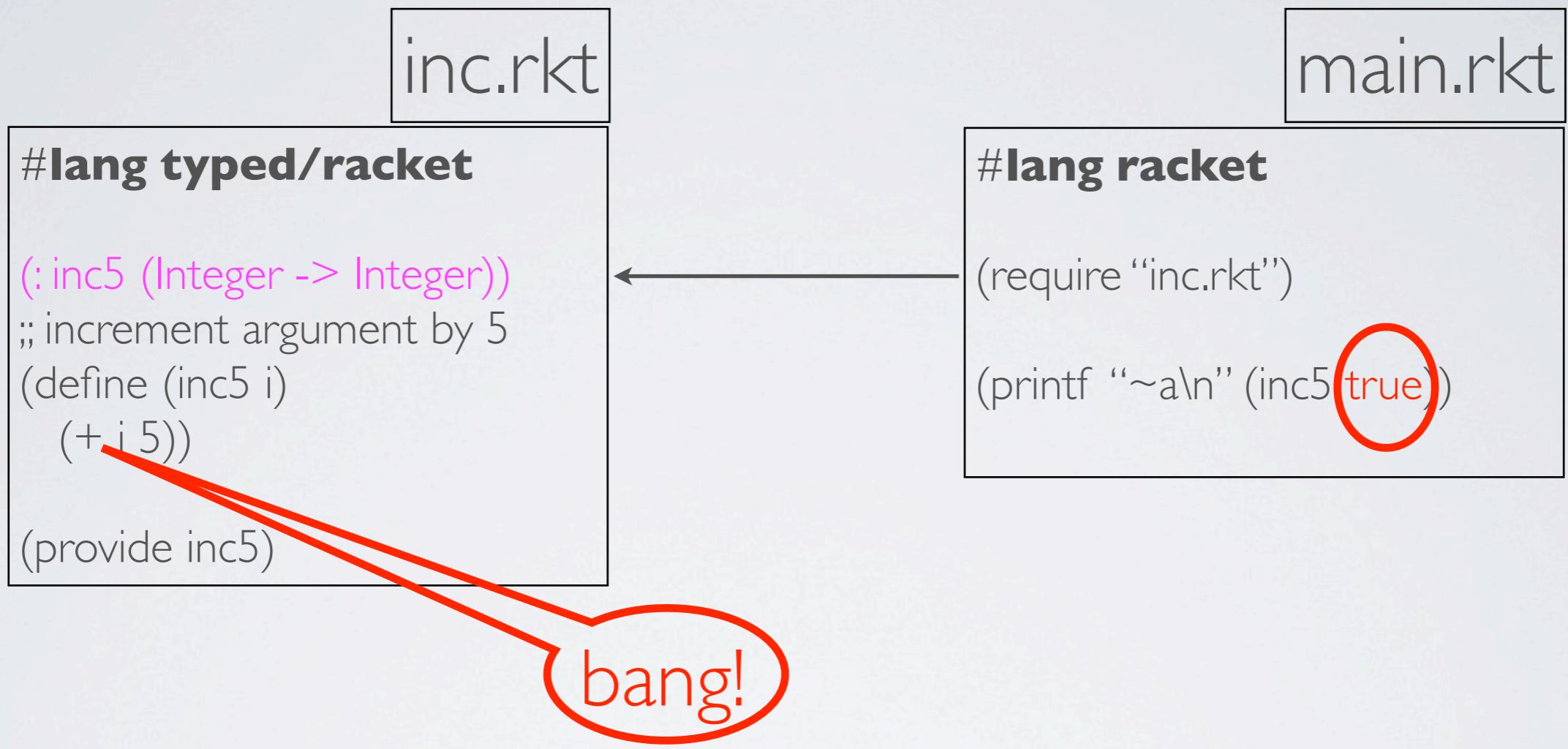
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(require "inc.rkt")
(prinft "~a\n" (inc5 true))
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## encode.rkt

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#lang typed/racket
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(: encode ((Integer -> Integer) -> Integer))
;; encode output of f
(define (encode f)
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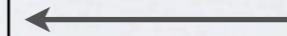
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## main.rkt

```
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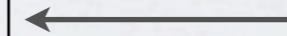
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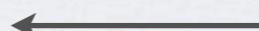
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### Solution 2: contract

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checks each call to code

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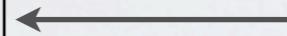
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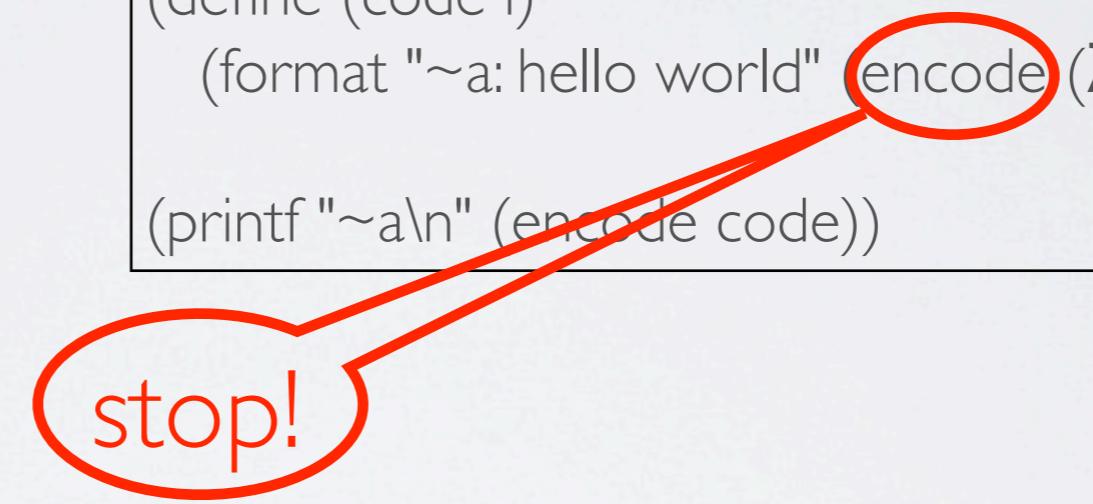
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#lang typed/racket

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The **typed** component needs  
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## encode.rkt

**#lang racket**

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(define (encode f)
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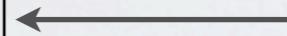
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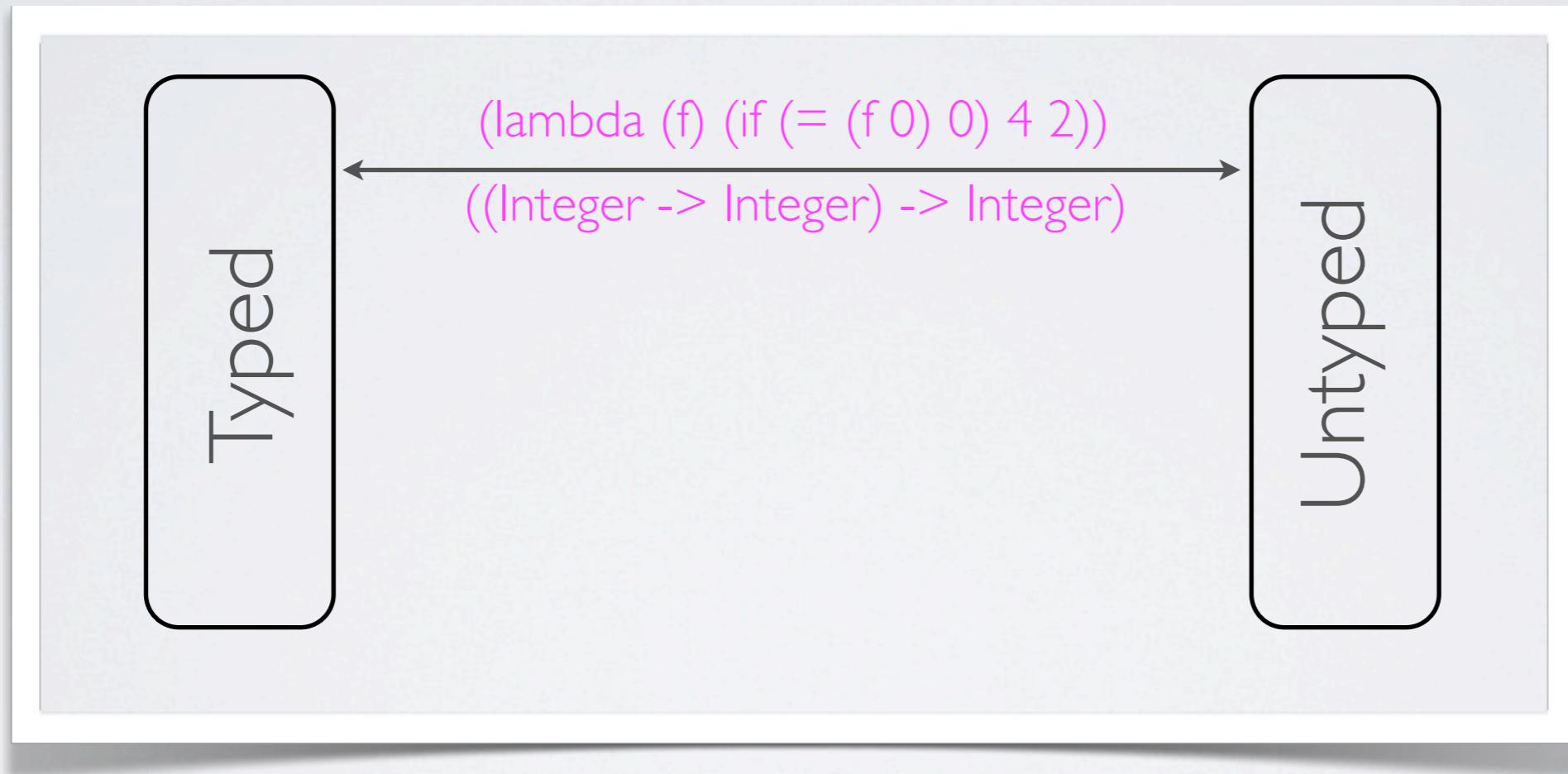
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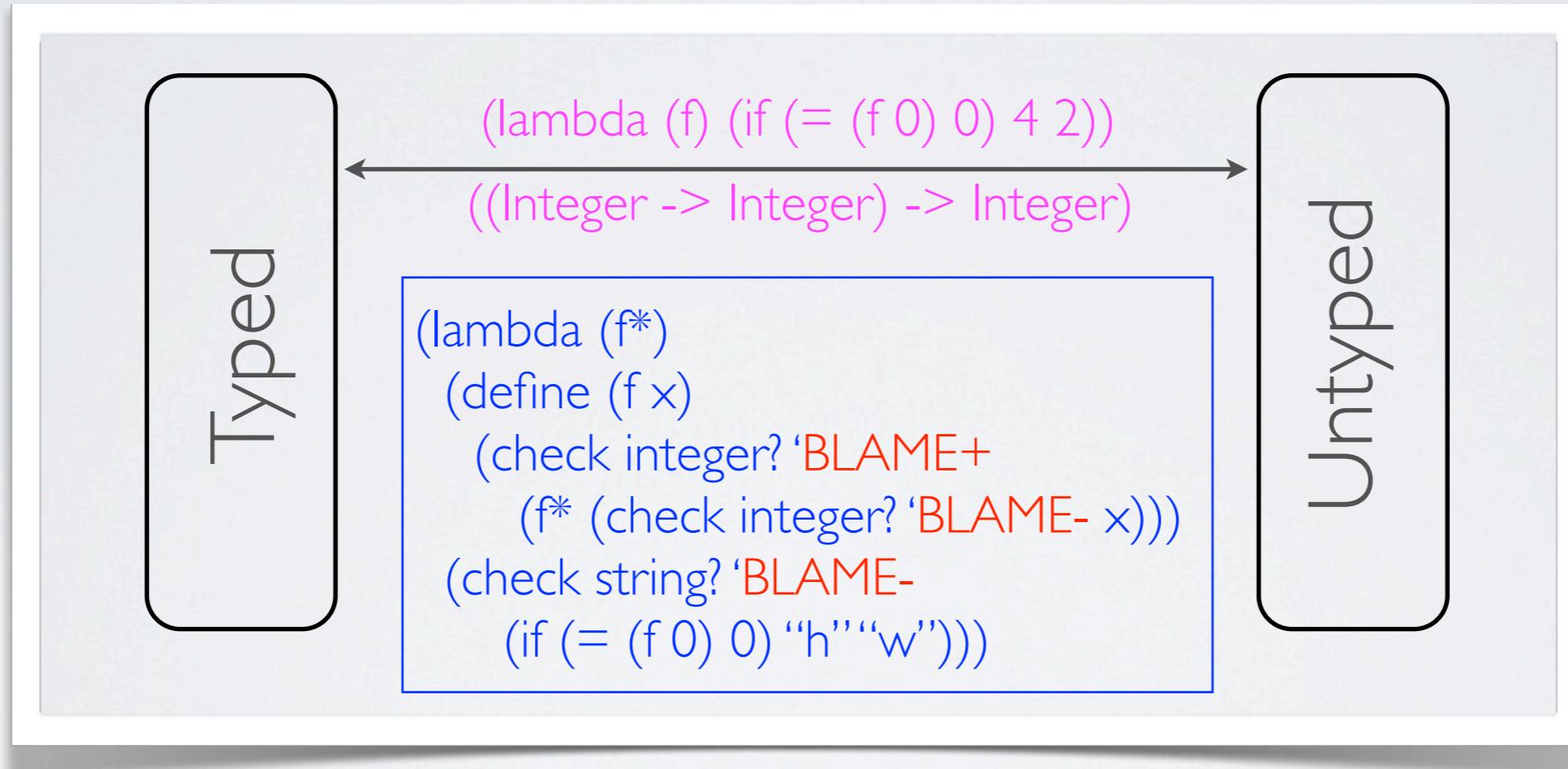
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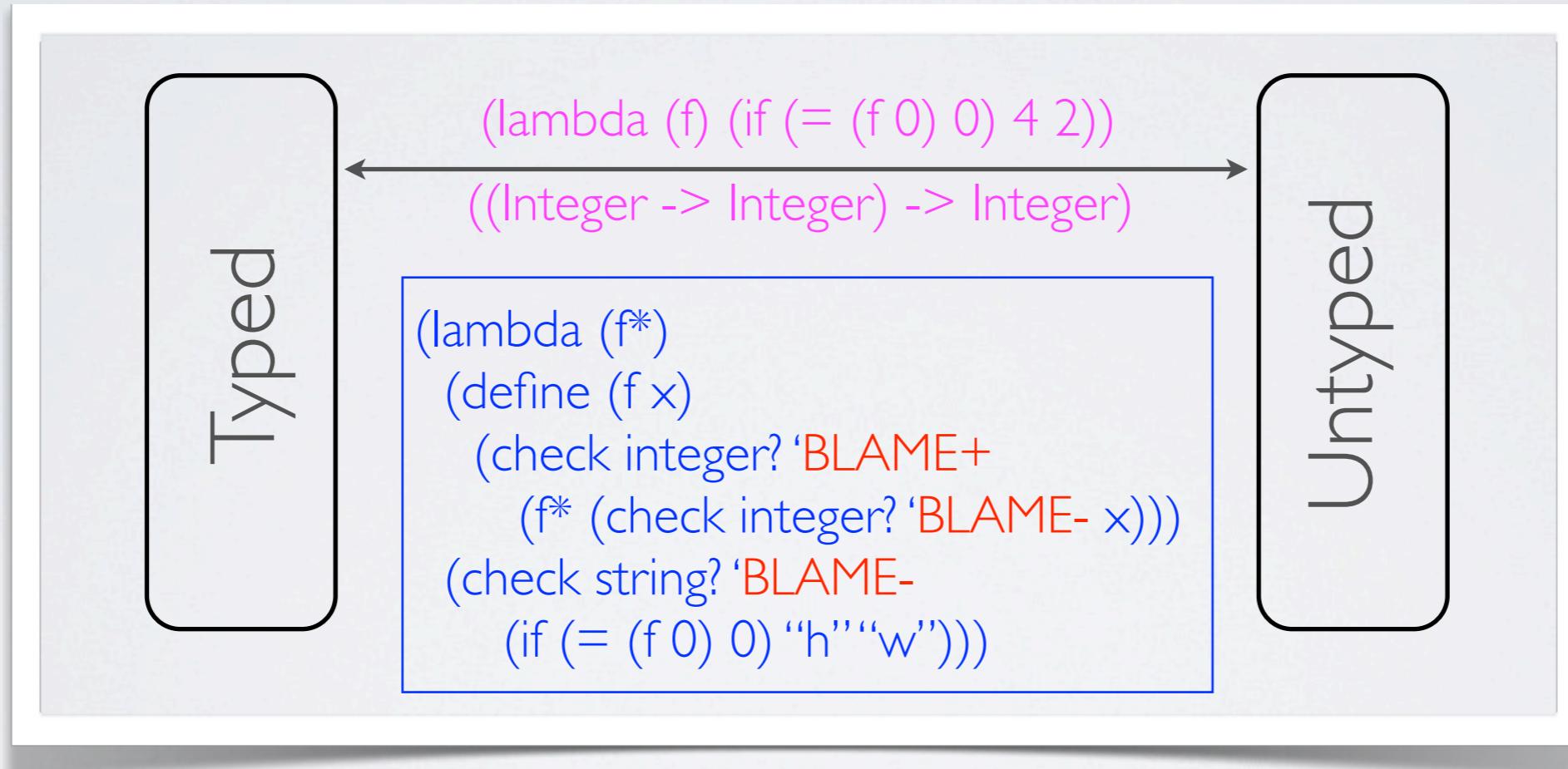
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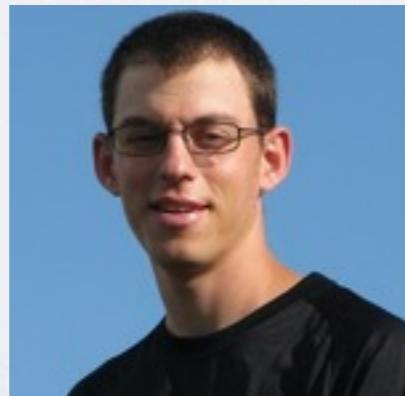
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**Blame Theorem:** Let  $P$  be a mixed program with checked types in interfaces interpreted as contracts. Then

- $P$  yields to a value,
- $P$  diverges, or
- $P$  signals an error that blames a specific untyped module.



Sam Tobin-Hochstadt  
*Dynamic Language Symposium*  
Portland, OR. 2006

# LANGUAGES FROM MACROS

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What does this mean?

**Racket languages** are  
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+ Run-time Functions  
                    
= New Languages

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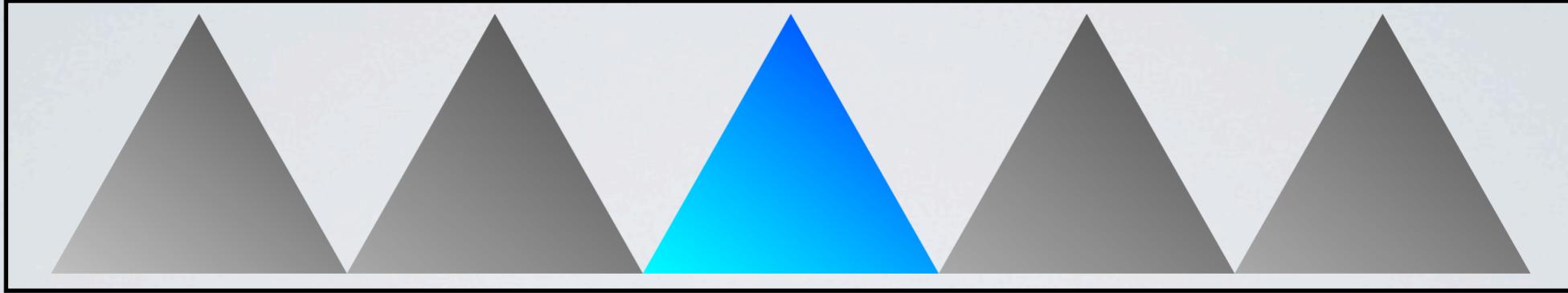
Programmers can override the defaults.

Contrary to rumors in the CL world:  
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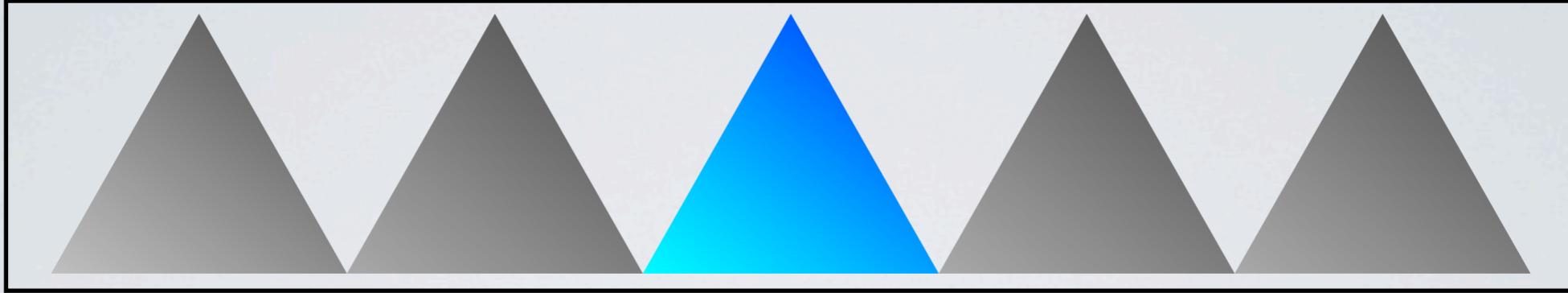
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Implementing languages requires context-sensitivity.



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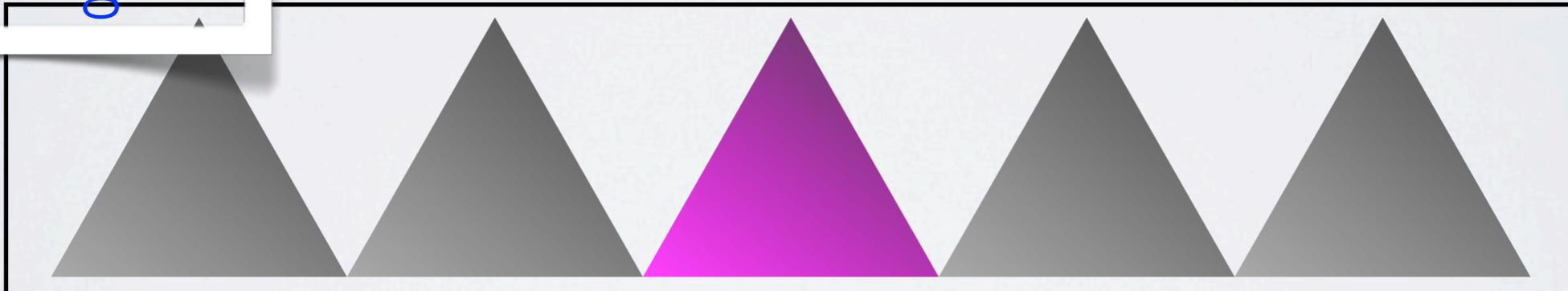
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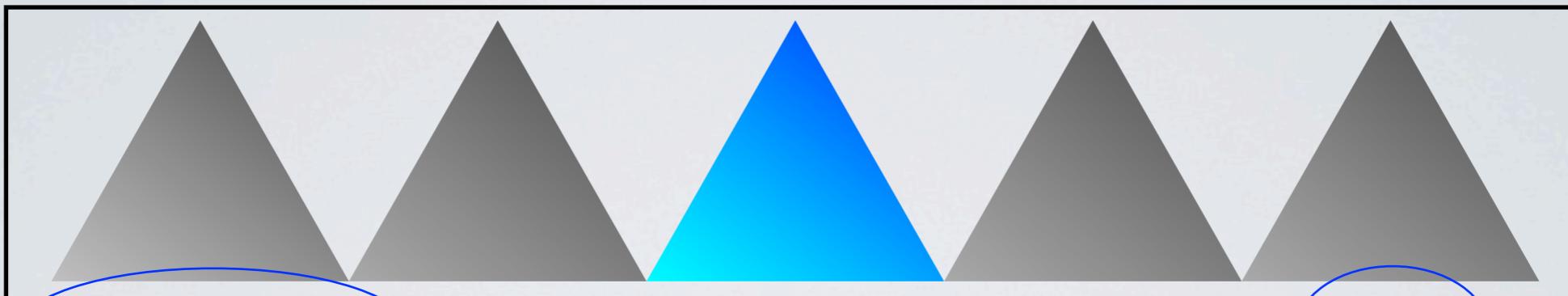
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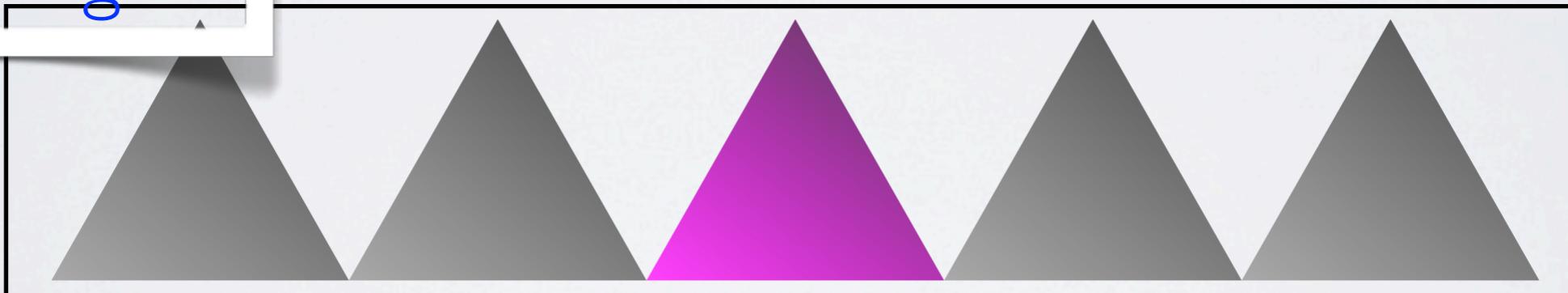
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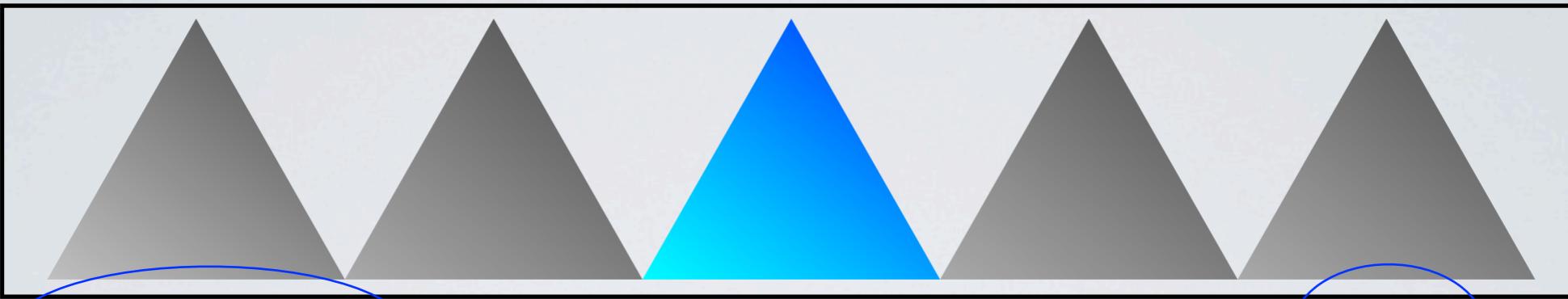
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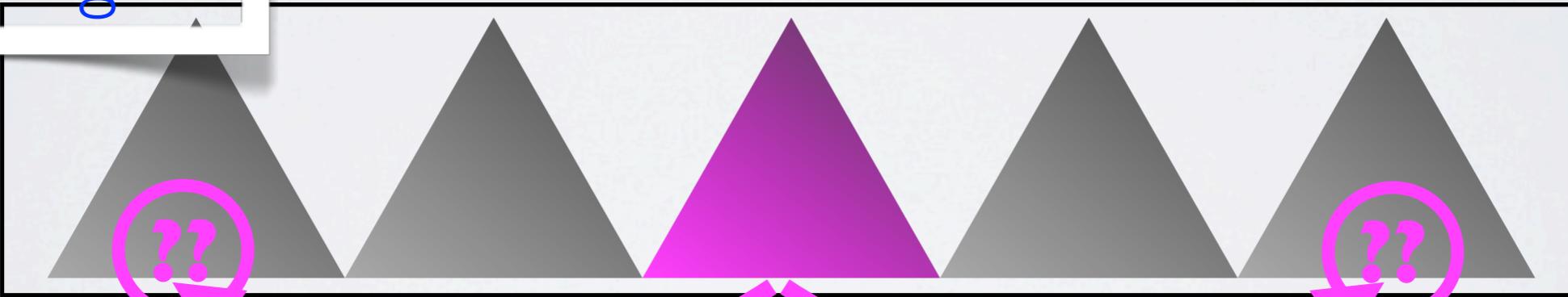
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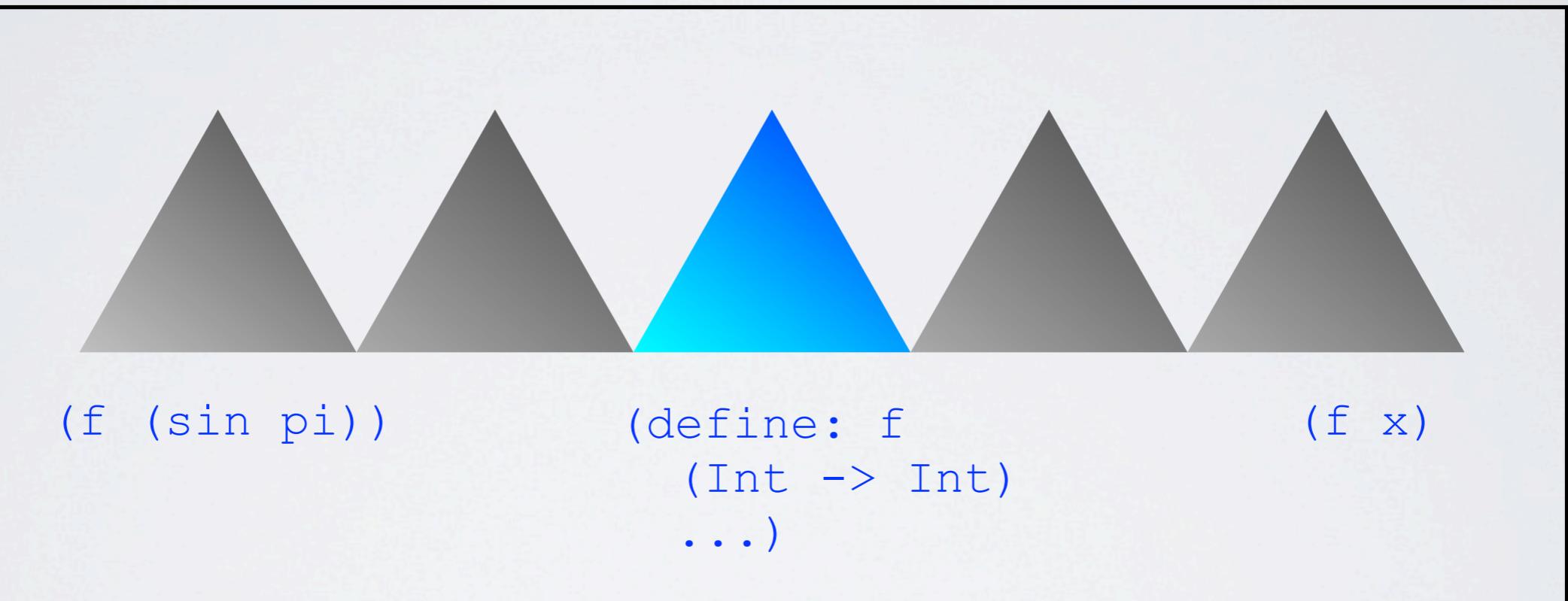
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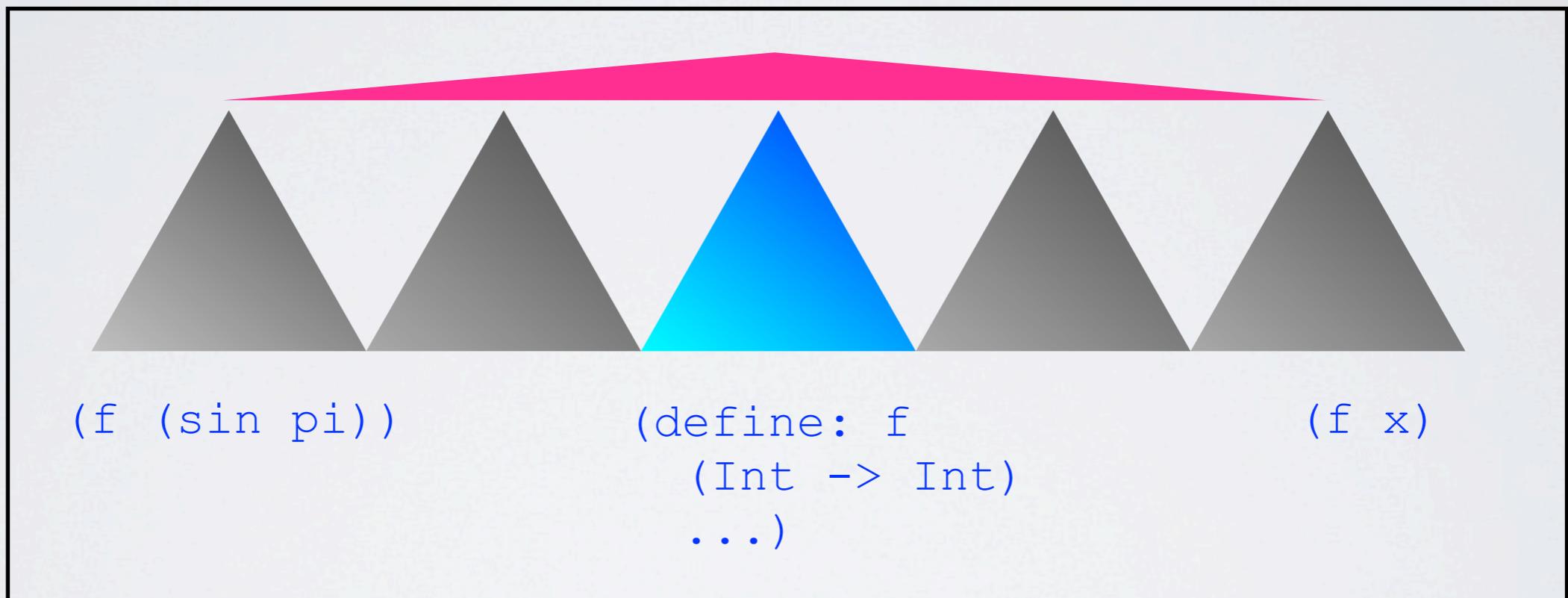
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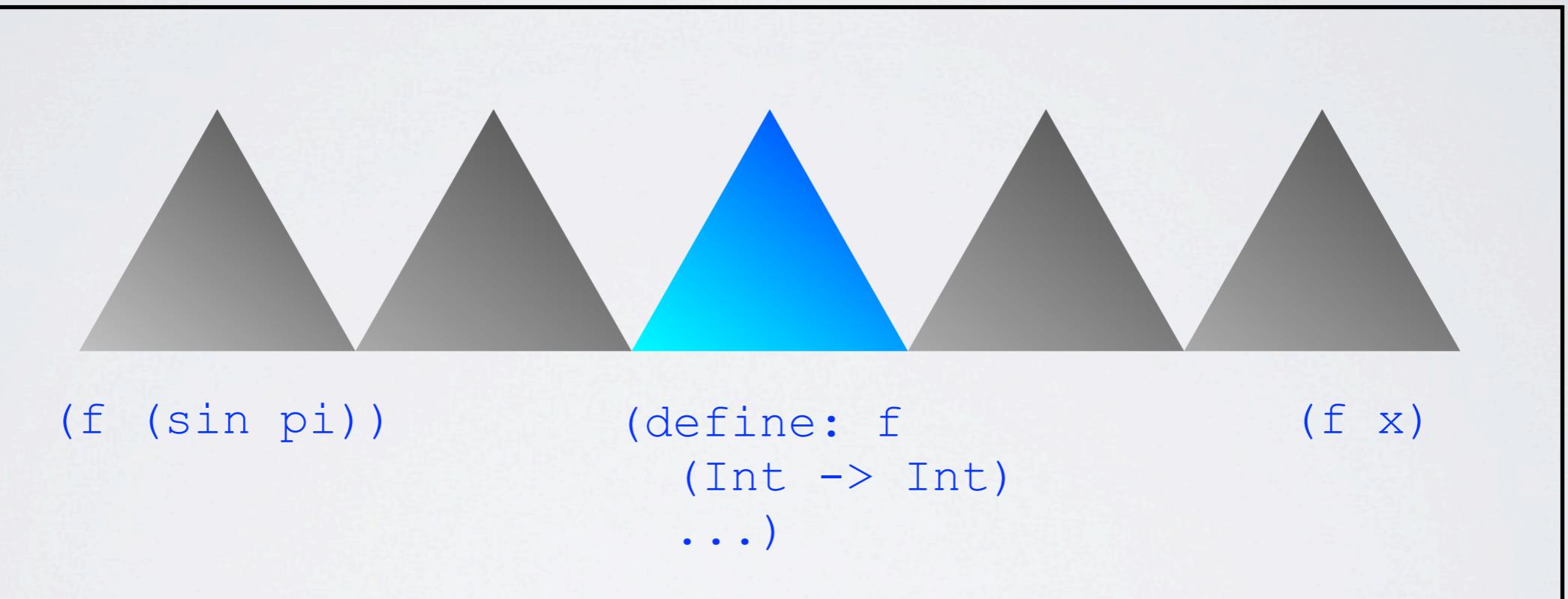
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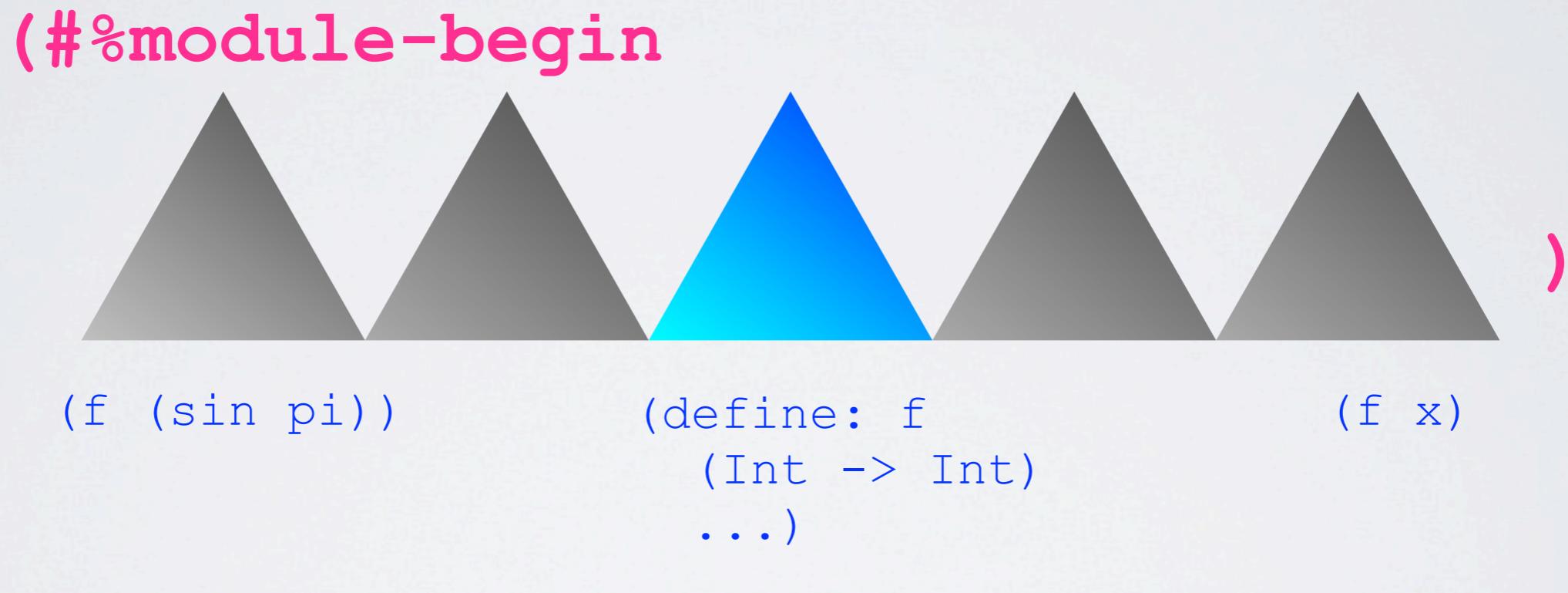
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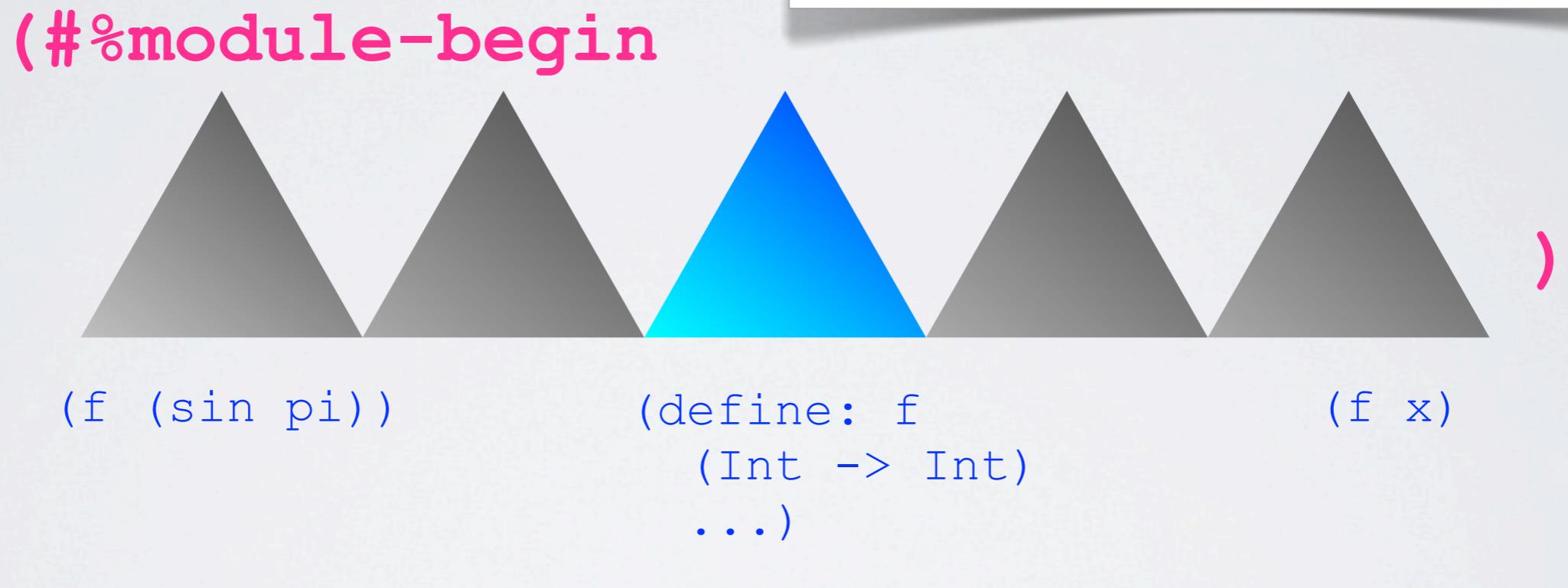


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And languages may redefine  
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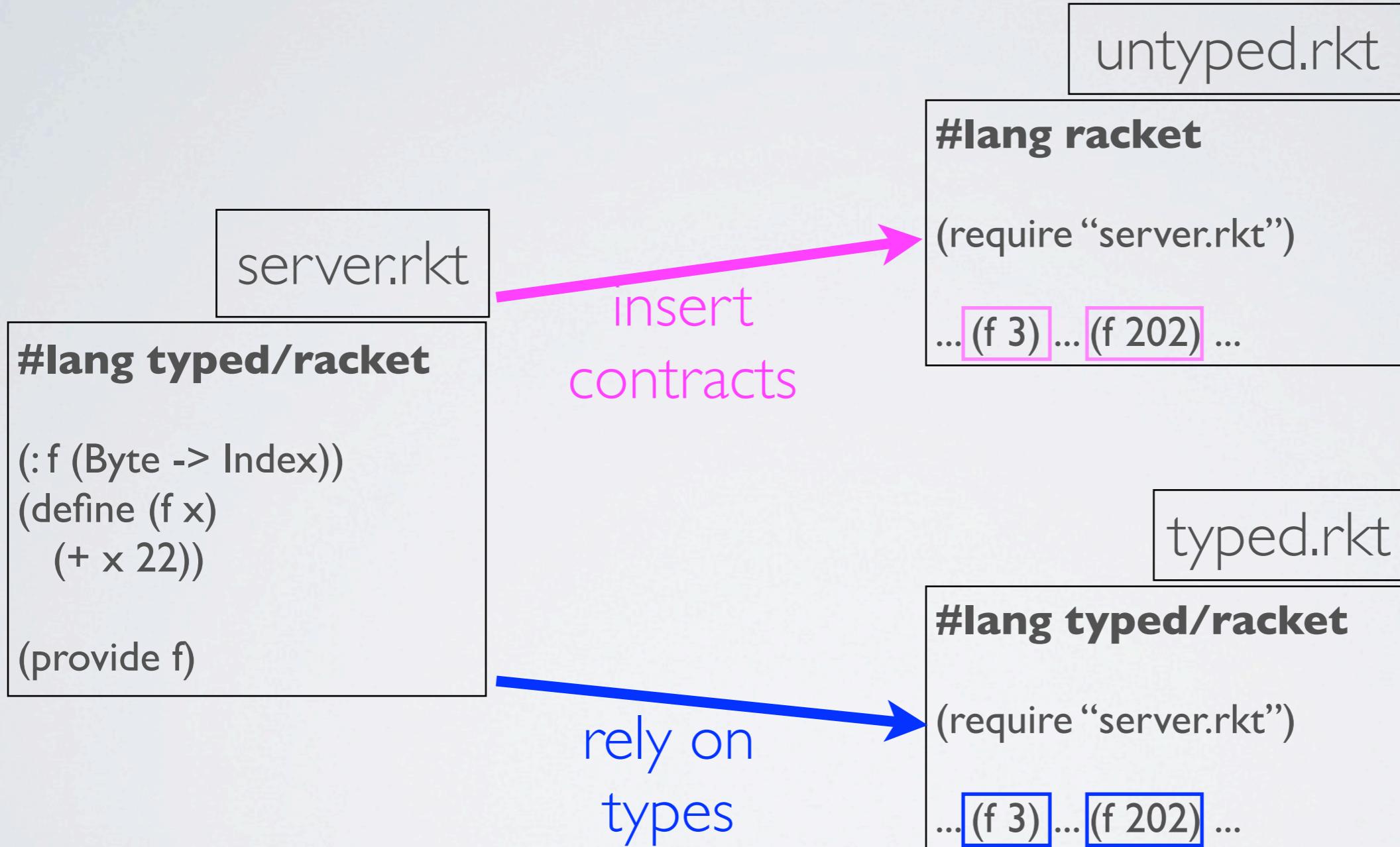
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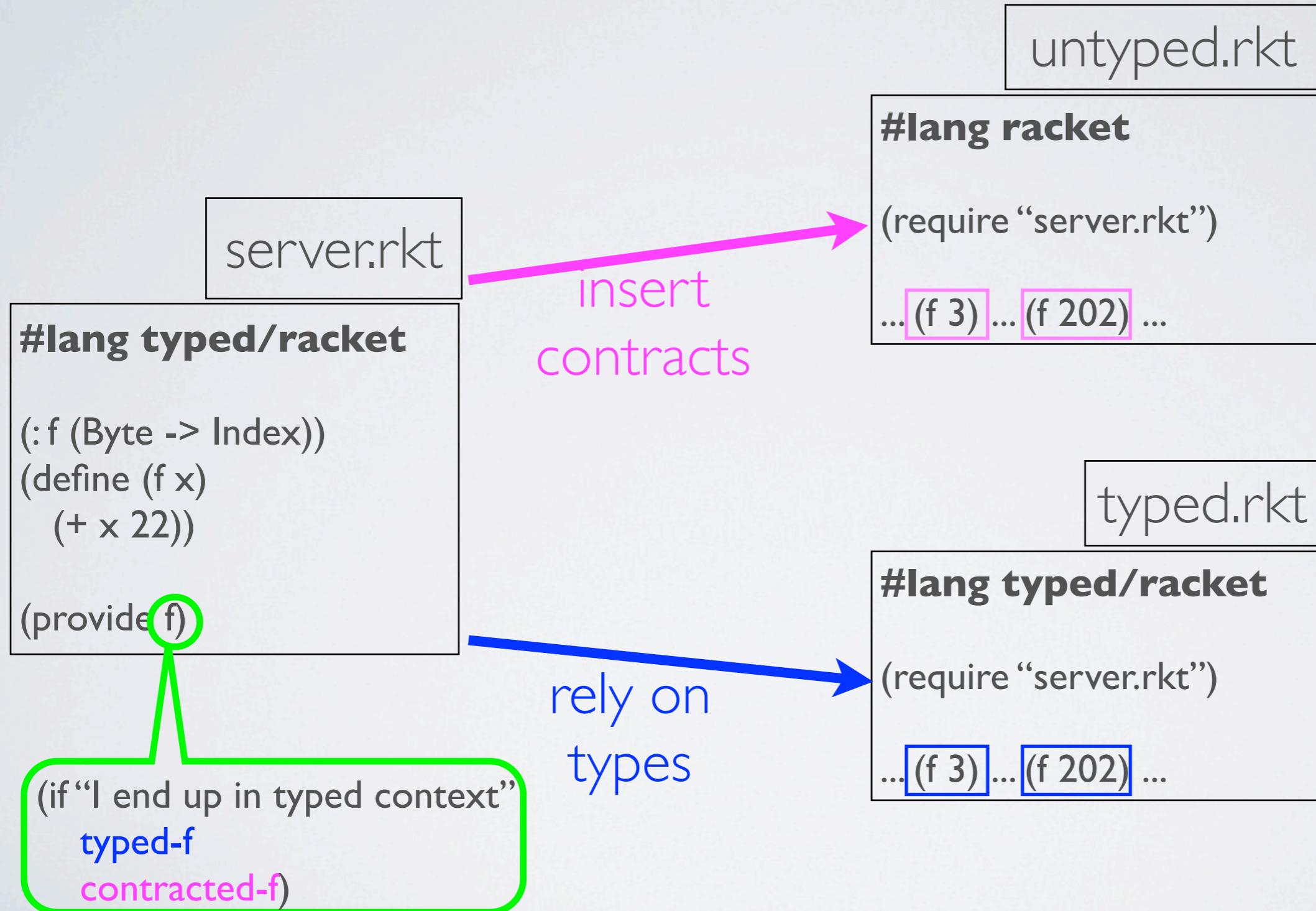
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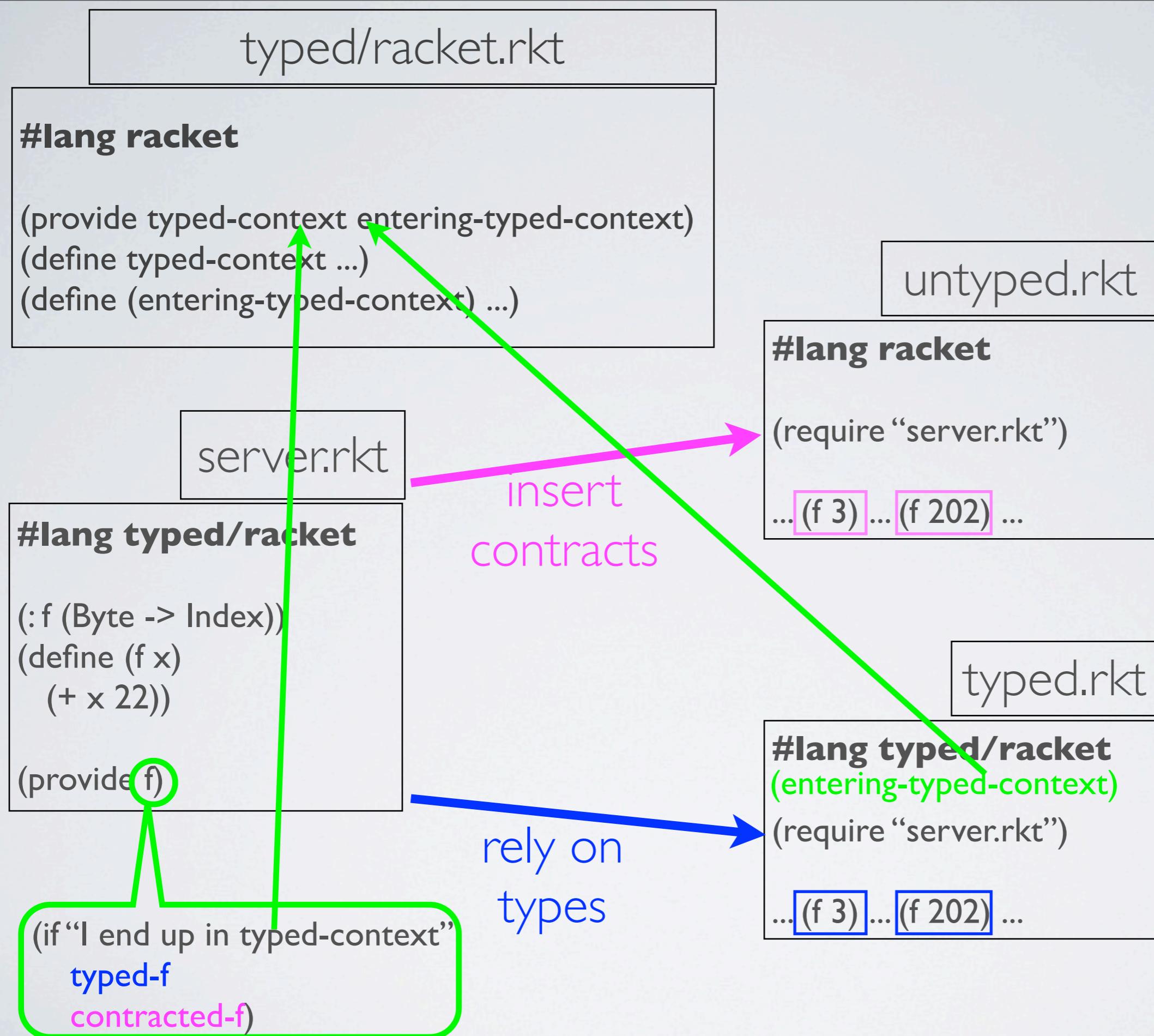
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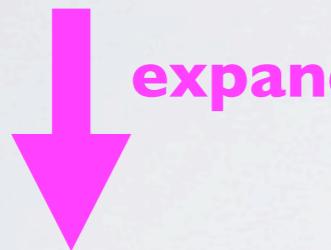
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# The World of Macros

- Racket, the language
- the macro tools
- experience



**Culpepper & Flatt et al:**  
*Languages as Libraries*, PLDI 2011  
*Fortifying Macros*, ICFP 2010  
*Debugging Macros*, GPCE 2008  
*Composable, Compilable Macros*,  
ICFP 2002



# CONCLUSION

## Two ideas from Racket for everyone at GPCE.

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Many more problems exist in this area,  
and you are in a position to tackle them.

# THE END

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