



**LiquidHaskell**

# Refinement Types for Haskell

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# Software bugs are everywhere



Airbus A400M crashed due to a software bug.

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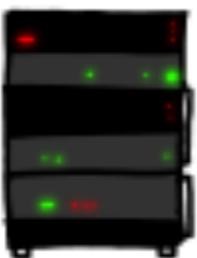
The Heartbleed Bug.  
Buffer overflow in OpenSSL. 2015

# HOW THE HEARTBLEED BUG WORKS:

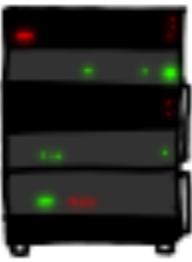
SERVER, ARE YOU STILL THERE?  
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User Eric wants pages about "boats". User Erica requests secure connection using key "4538538374224". User Meg wants these 6 letters: POTATO. User Ada wants pages about "irl games". Unlocking secure records with master key 5130985733435. Macie (chrome user) sends this message: "H



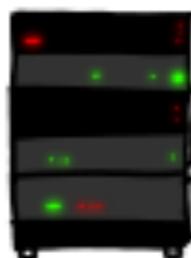
POTATO



SERVER, ARE YOU STILL THERE?  
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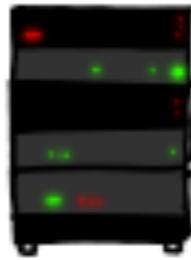
User Olivia from London wants pages about "new bees in car why". Note: Files for IP 375.381. 283.17 are in /tmp/files-3843. User Meg wants these 4 letters: BIRD. There are currently 348 connections open. User Brendan uploaded the file selfie.jpg (contents: 834ba962e2ceb9ff89bd3bfff84)



HMM...



BIRD



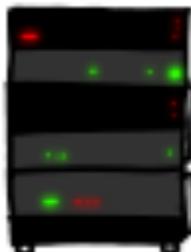
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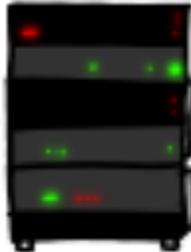


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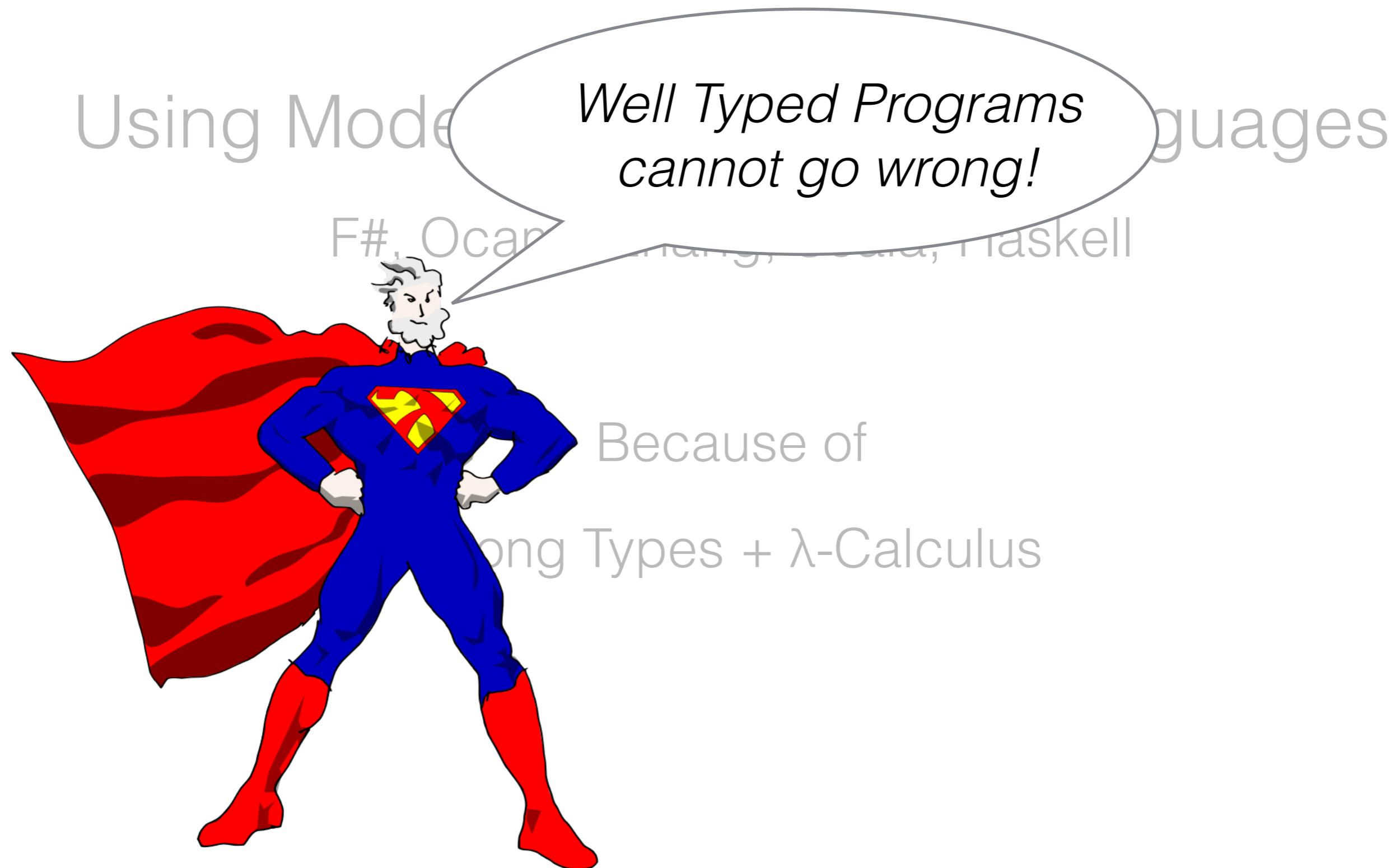
Using Modern Programming Languages

F#, Ocaml, Erlang, Scala, Haskell

Because of

Strong Types +  $\lambda$ -Calculus

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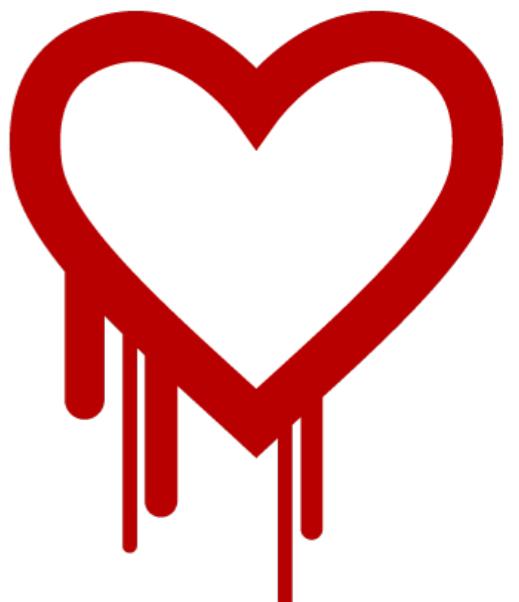
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takeWord16 :: Text -> Int -> Text
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Type Error: Cannot match Bool vs Int
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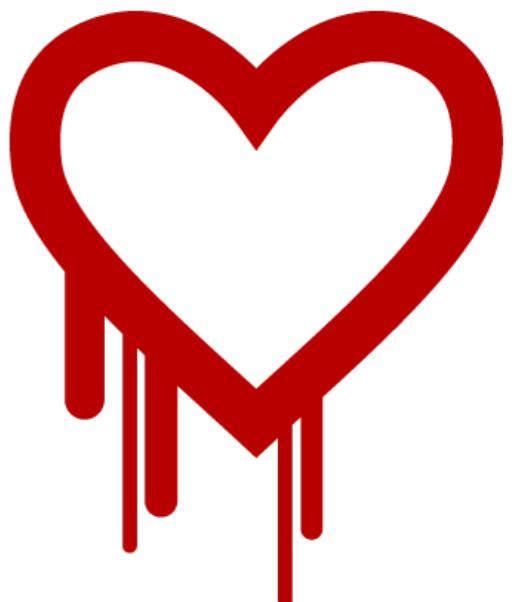
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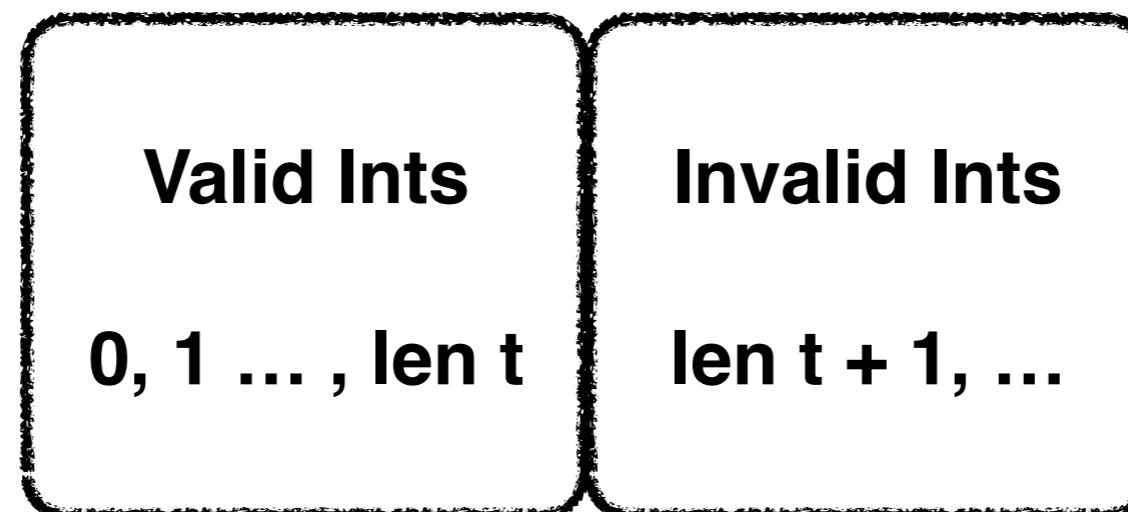
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**All Ints**

`..., -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, ...`

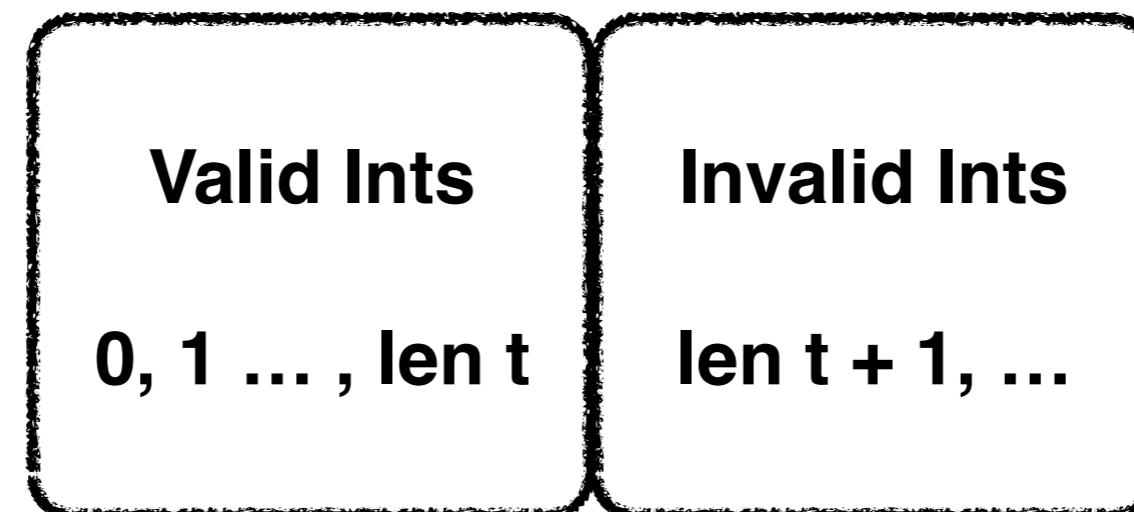
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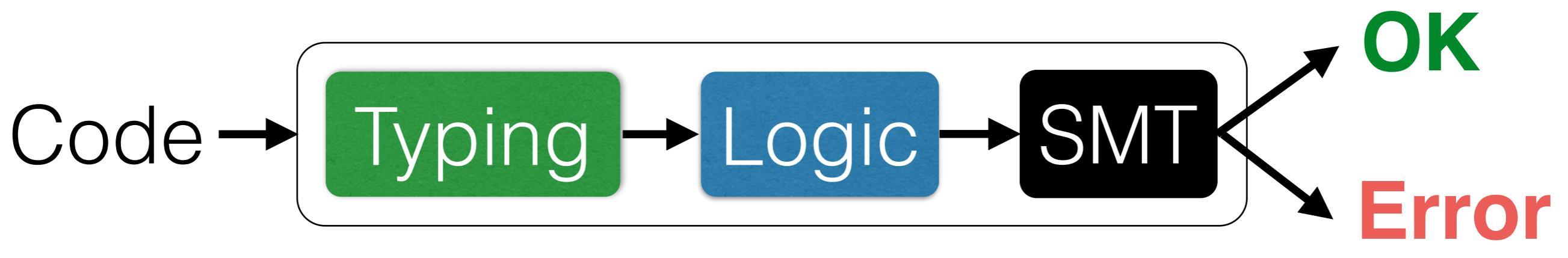


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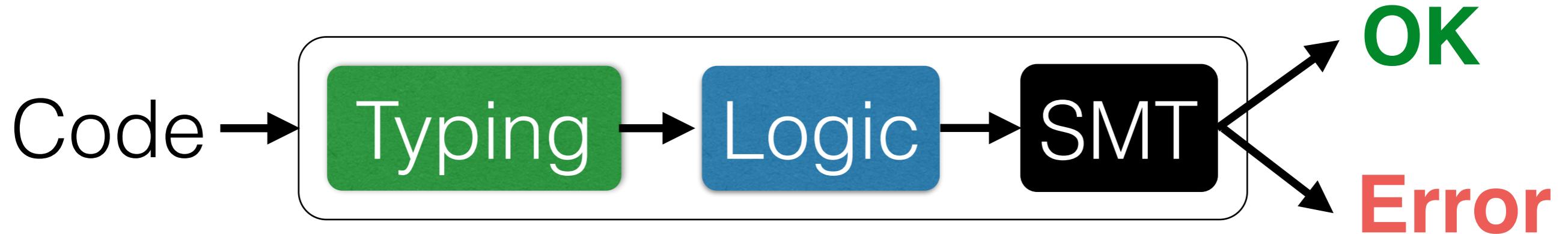
# Refinement Types



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1. Source Code to **Type constraints**
2. **Type Constraints** to **Verification Condition (VC)**
3. Check **VC validity** with **SMT Solver**



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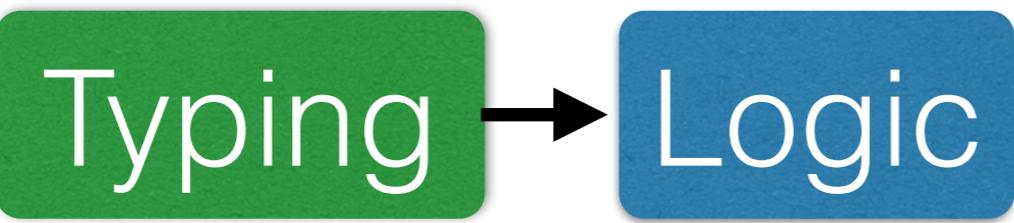


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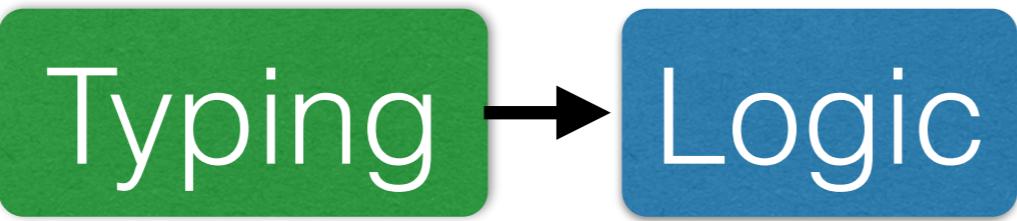


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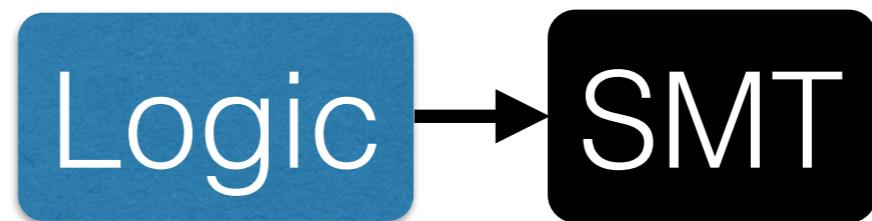


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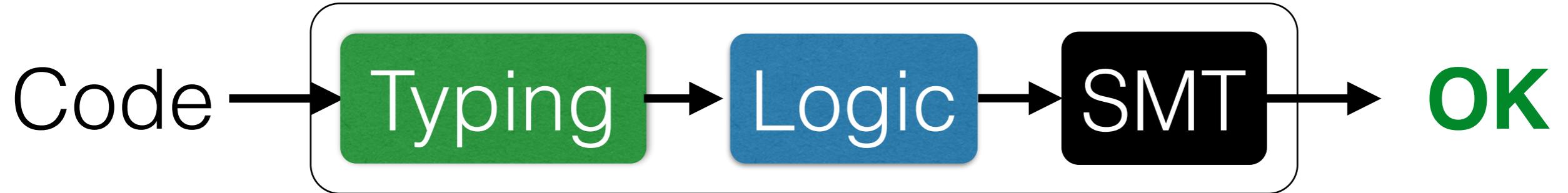


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**Checks valid arguments, under facts.**

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**Efficiency**



**No Checks**

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**Runtime Checks**

**Safety**



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λ> heartbleed
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λ> *** Exception: Out Of Bounds!
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# Runtime Checks are expensive

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**LiquidHaskell**

**Static Checks**

**Safe & Efficient Code!**

**Efficiency**



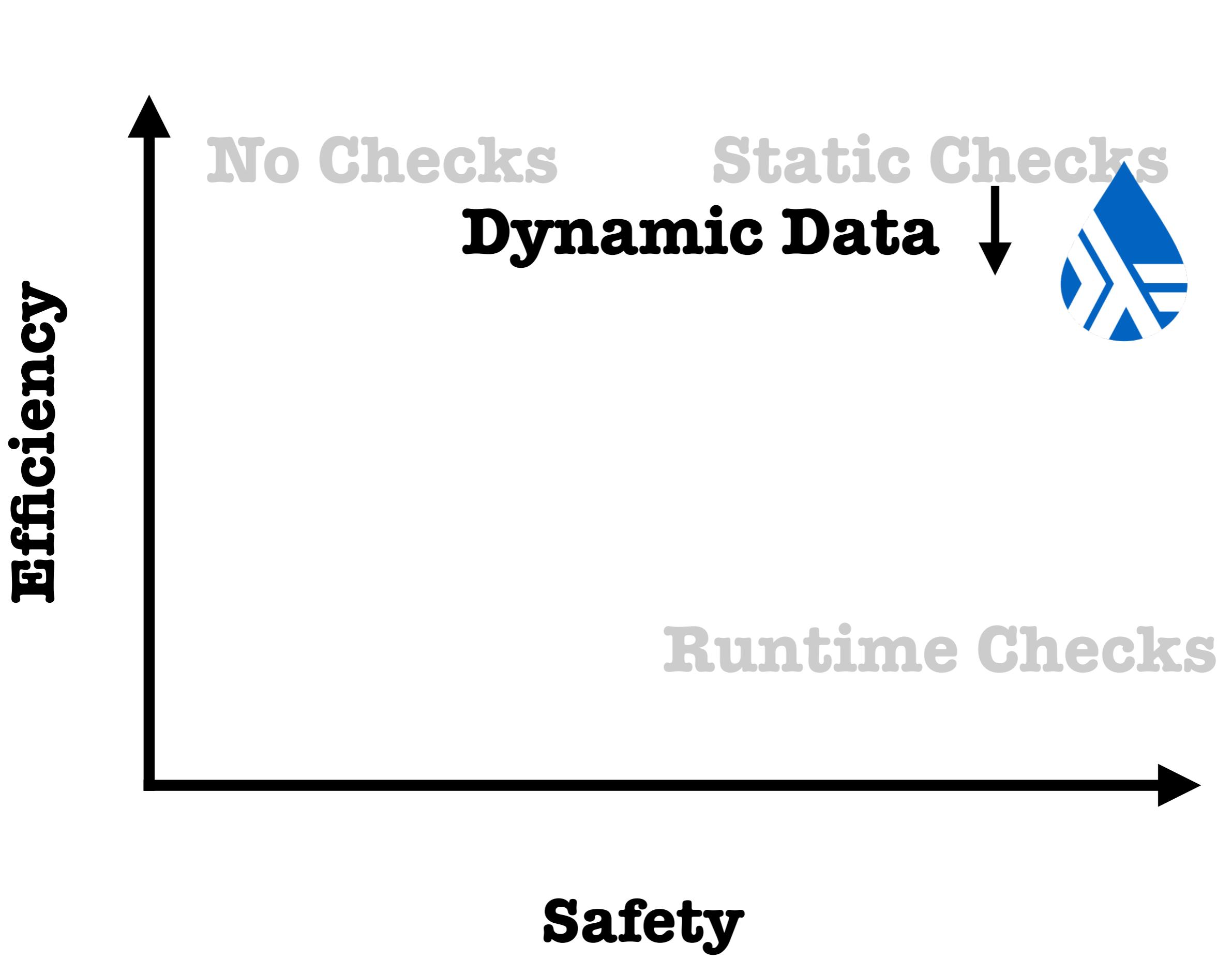
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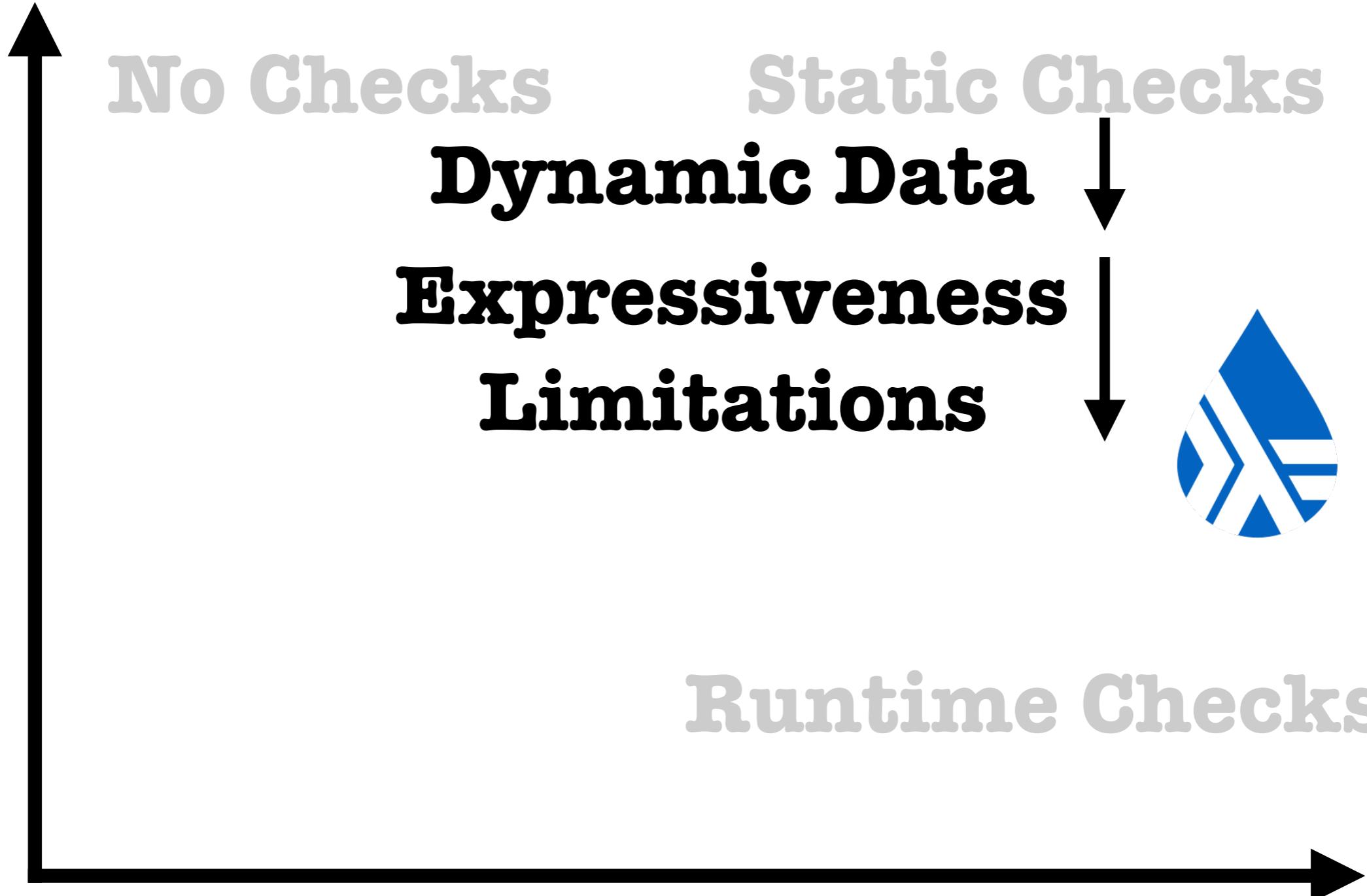
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# **Expressiveness**

What properties can be expressed in types?

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If  $p$  is safe indexing ...

```
{t:Text | i < len t }
```

... then SMT-automatic verification.

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Boolean Logic

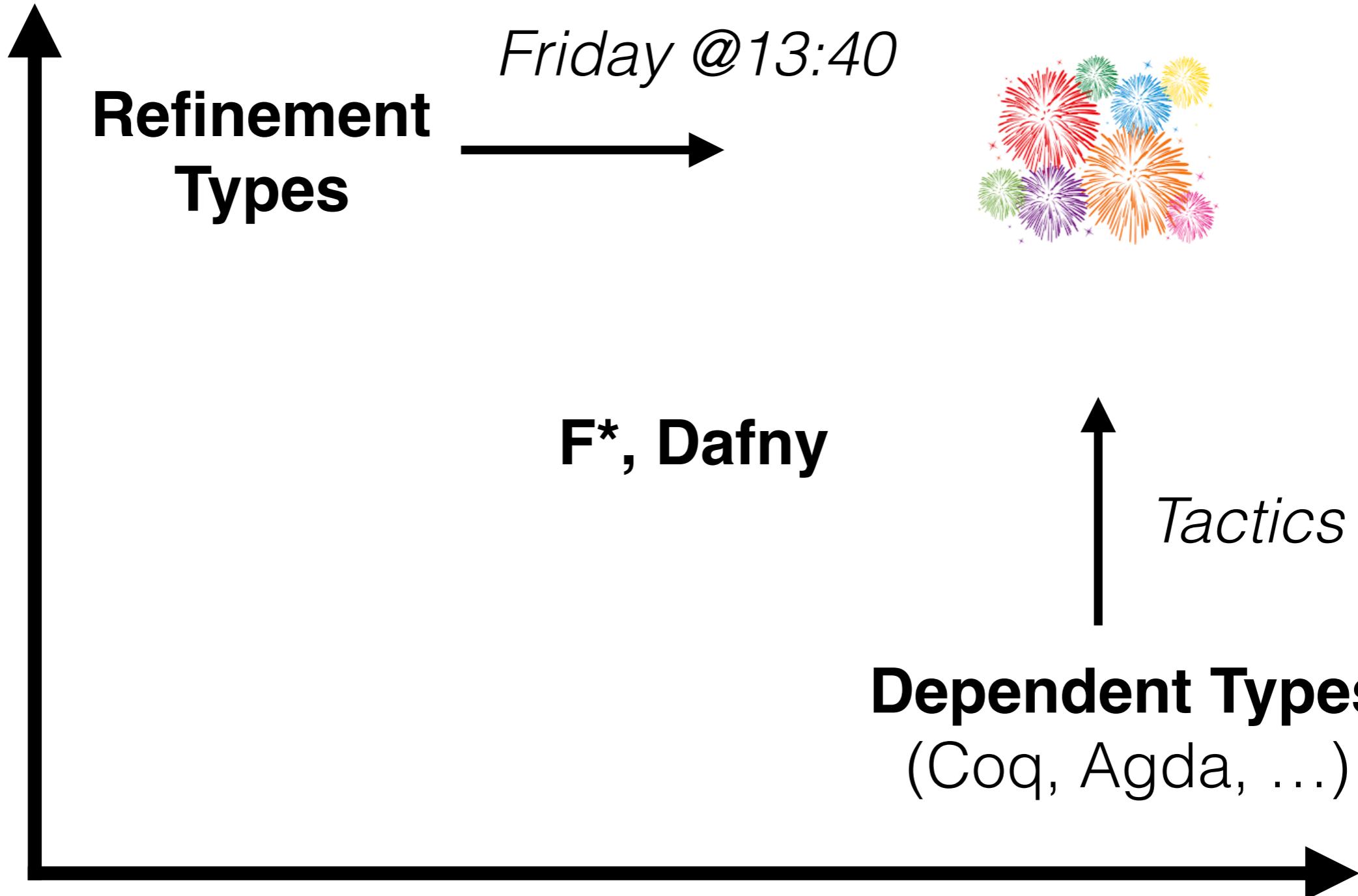
(QF) Linear Arithmetic

Uninterpreted Functions ...

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What about expressiveness?

**Automation**



**Expressiveness**

*Friday @13:40*

# **Refinement Types for Theorem Proving**

# Theorem Proving

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Express **theorems** via refinement types.

Express **proofs** via functions.

**Check** that functions prove theorems.

Known as  
Curry–Howard correspondence

# Theorem Proving

```
fibUp :: i:Nat -> {fib i ≤ fib (i+1)}
fibUp i
| i == 0
= fib 0 <. fib 1
*** QED
| i == 1
= fib 1 <=. fib 1 + fib 0 <= fib 2
*** QED
| otherwise
= fib i
= fib (i-1) + fib (i-2)
<=. fib i + fib (i-2) ? fibUp (i-1)
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<=. fib (i+1)
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# Theorem Proving

## Higher Order Theorems

```
fMono :: f:(Nat -> Int)
        -> fUp:(z:Nat -> {f z <= f (z+1)})
        -> x:Nat
        -> y:{Nat | x < y}
        -> {f x <= f y}
```

```
fibMono :: x:Nat -> y:{Nat | x < y}
          -> {fib x <= fib y}
fibMono = fMono fib fibUp
```

# Theorem Proving

Refinement Reflection

Express **theorems** via refinement types.

Express **proofs** via functions.

**Check** that functions prove theorems.



# LiquidHaskell

## as a theorem prover

Case study: String matcher parallelization

**200LoC** “runtime” code

**100LoC** specs on “runtime” code

**1300LoC** proof terms

**200LoC** theorem specs

proofs = 8 x code

**Verbose Proofs**

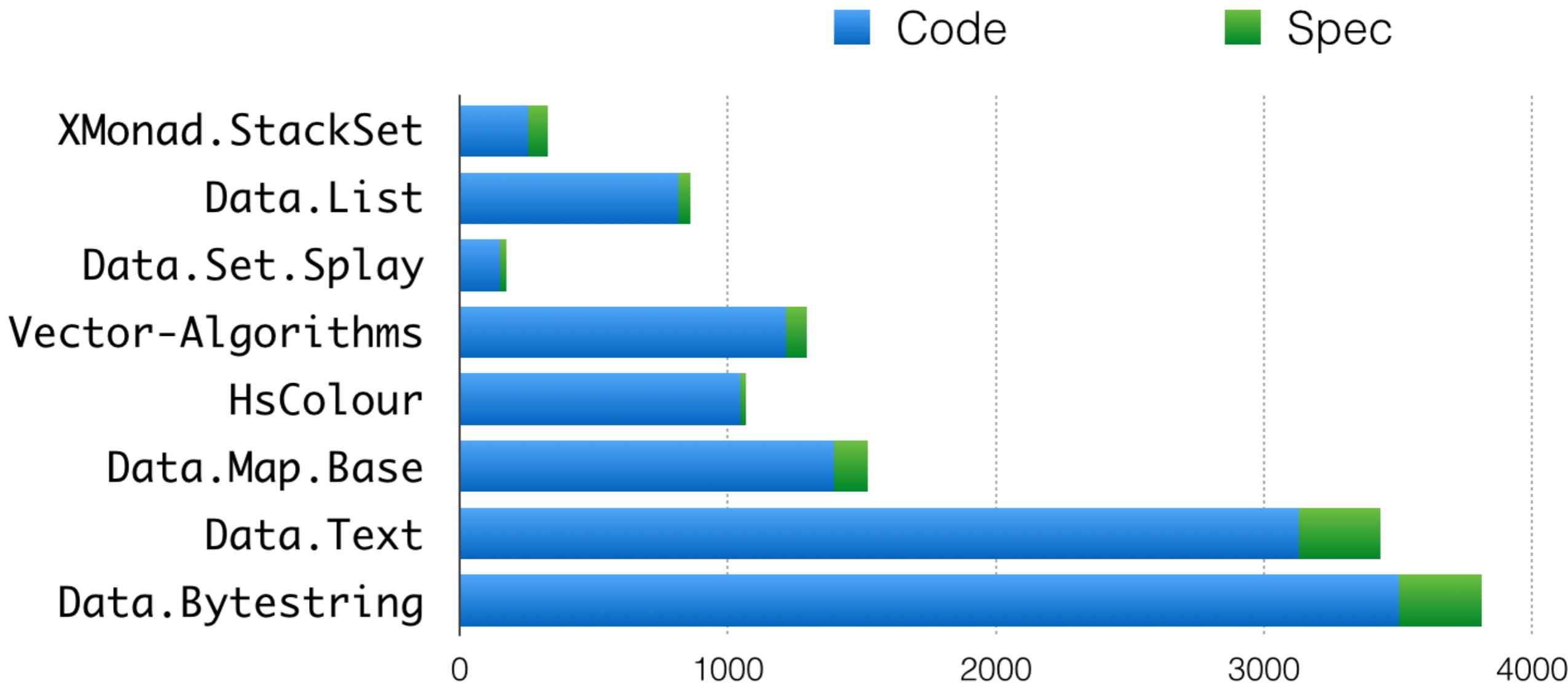


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**Verbose Proofs      BUT      Modest Annotations**



# LiquidHaskell



specs: 1/10 LOC

**Modest Annotations**

time: 0.1s/10 LOC



# **Modest Annotations**

## SMT Automation



**Expressiveness**

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# LiquidHaskell

**Fast & Safe Code**  
Static Checks

**Expressiveness**  
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*Thanks!*

**END**