

MULTILINGUAL COMPONENT PROGRAMMING IN RACKET

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and I will sell you Racket.

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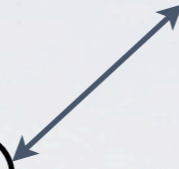
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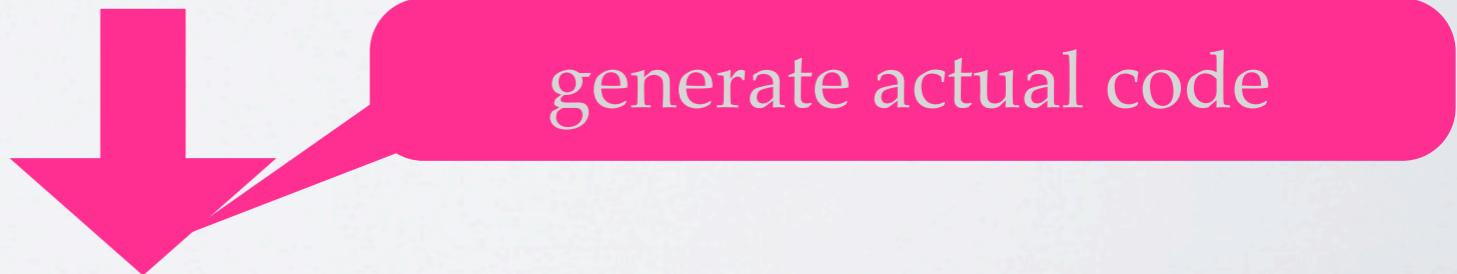
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The Foundation: Racket Core (VM)

Racket

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(require scribble/core)

(provide fib-tab)
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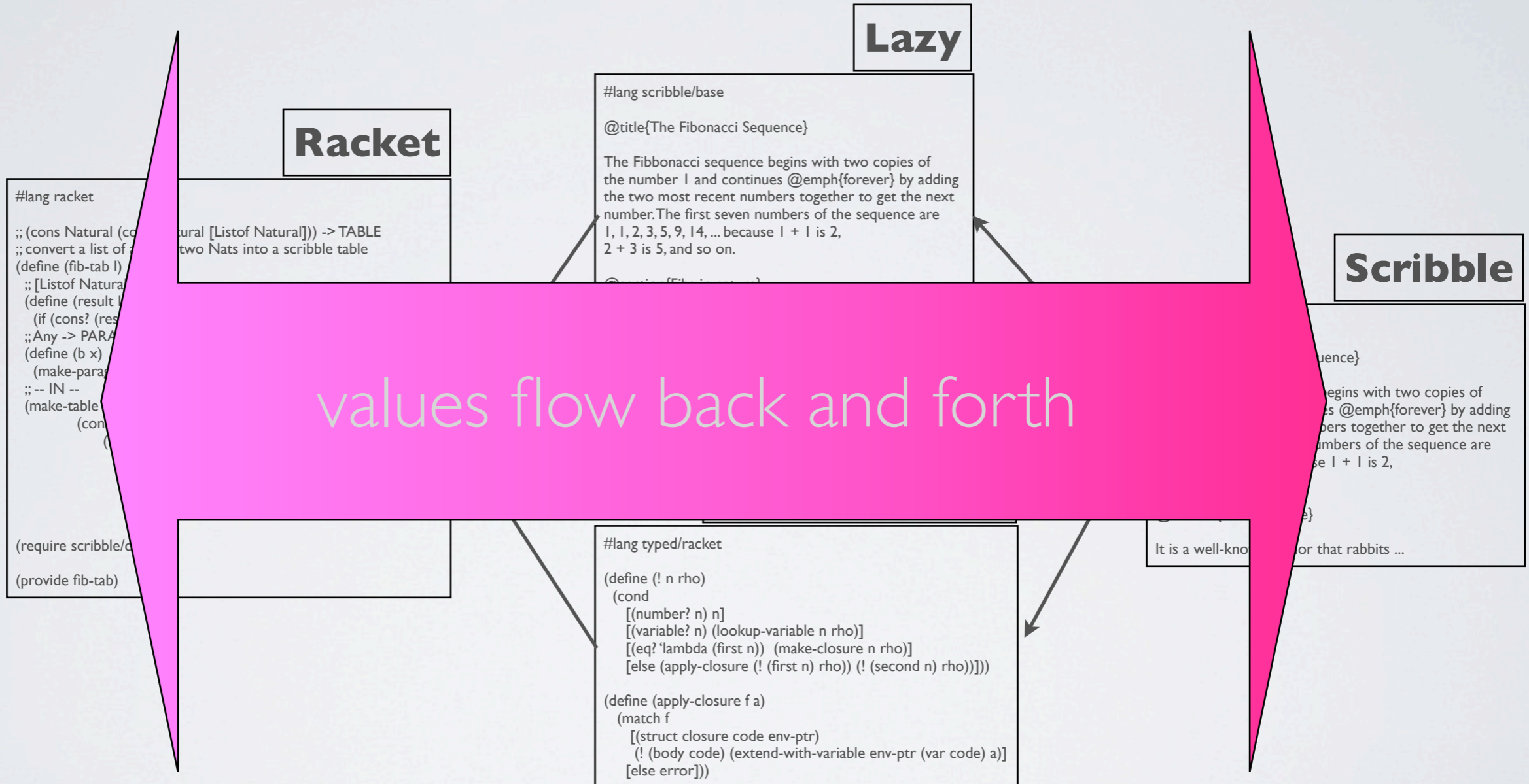
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Typed Racket

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(define (! n rho)
  (cond
    [(number? n) n]
    [(variable? n) (lookup-variable n rho)]
    [(eq? 'lambda (first n)) (make-closure n rho)]
    [else (apply-closure (! (first n) rho) (! (second n) rho))]))

(define (apply-closure f a)
  (match f
    [(struct closure code env-ptr)
     (! (body code) (extend-with-variable env-ptr (var code) a))]
    [else error])))
```

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Ouch!

fib.rkt

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#lang lazy

(require "syn-support.rkt")

;; fib: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, ...
(define fib$
  (cons 1
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        (lambda (str$)
          (cons (+ (first str$) (second str$))
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(provide rec)
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fib\$: the stream of fibonacci numbers
take: a library function of the **lazy** lang

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@(require lazy/force "fib.ss")
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@(define fib7 (map number->string (!! (take 7 fib$))))
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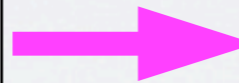
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@(require lazy/force "fib.rkt" "tabulate.rkt")
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```
@(tabulate fib7)
...
```

html



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5	8	13
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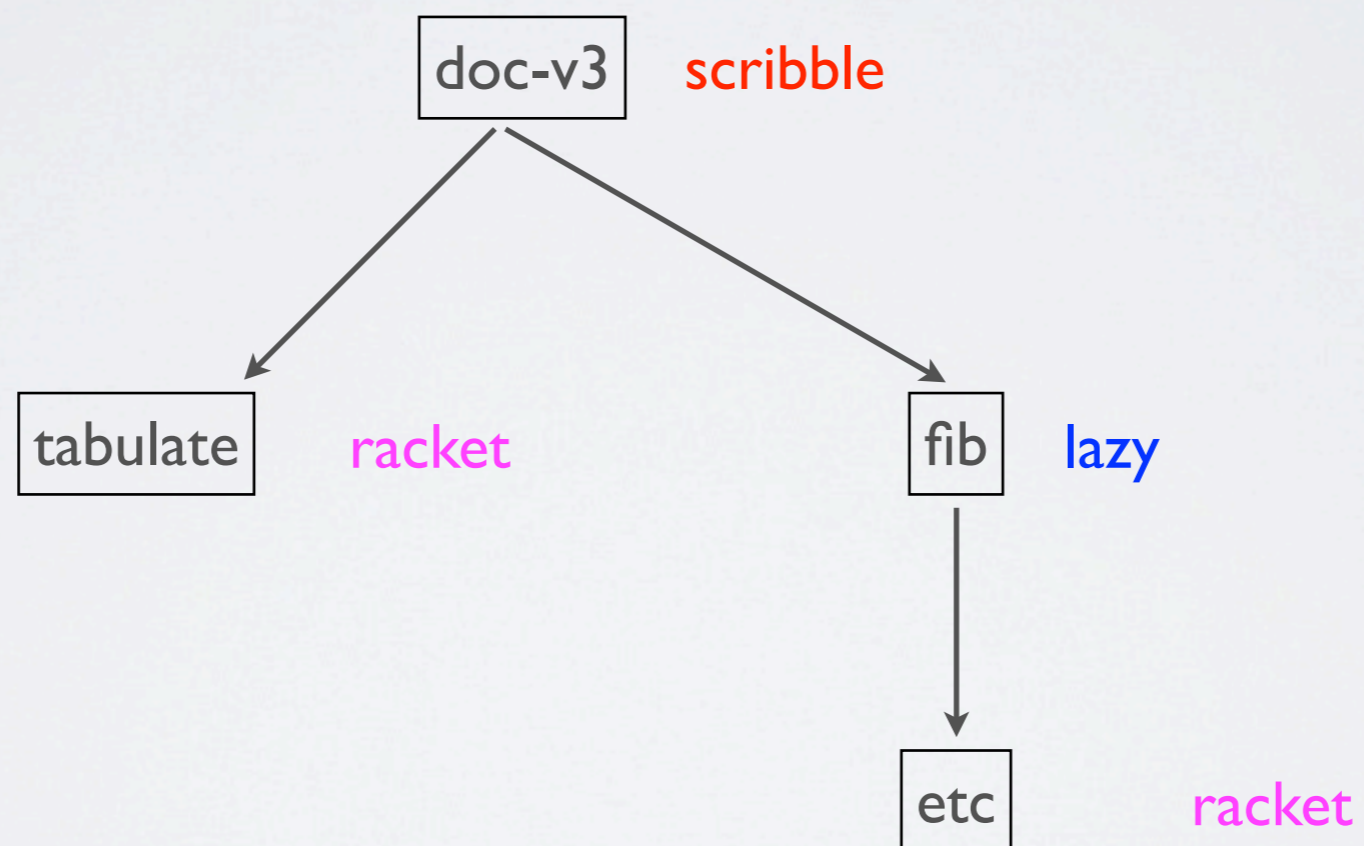
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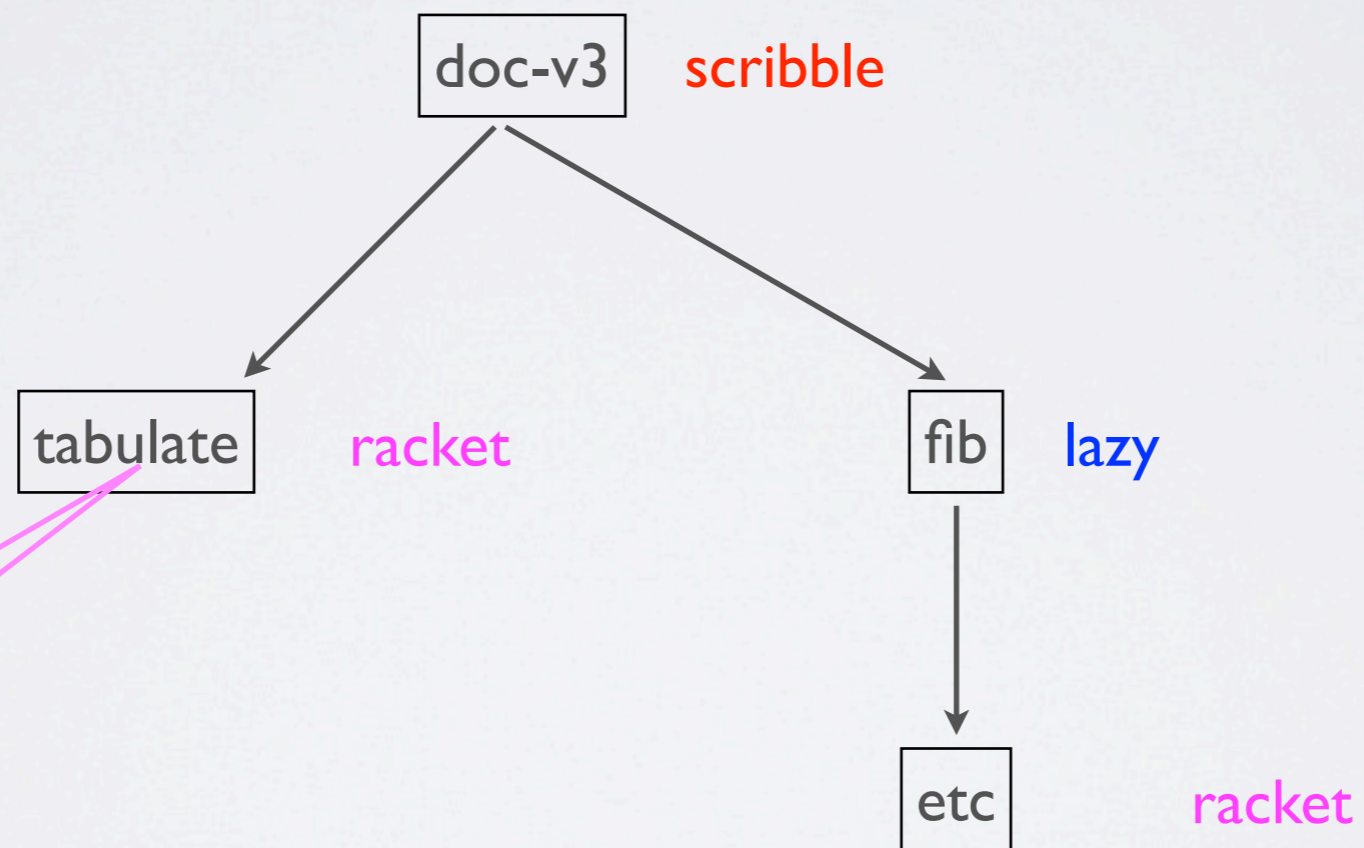
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maintenance
require

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
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    (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.

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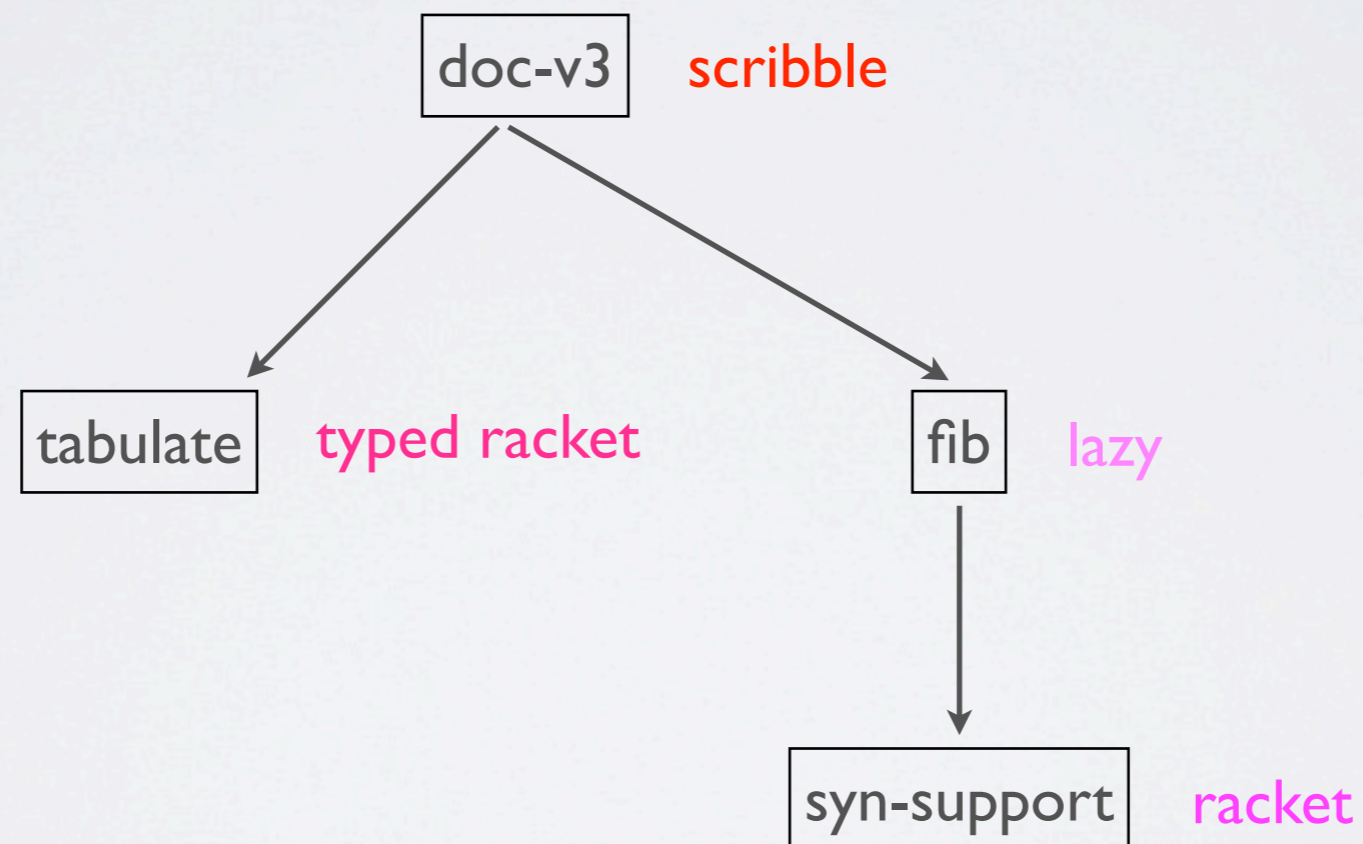
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(: fib-tab ((cons Natural (cons Natural [Listof Natural])) -> table))
;; convert a list of at least two Nats into a scribble table
(define (tabulate l)
  (: result ([Listof Natural] -> Any))
  (define (result lst)
    (if (cons? (rest (rest lst))) (third lst) "..."))
  (: b (Any -> paragraph))
  (define (b x)
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(require/typed scribble/core (struct style ...) ...)

(provide tabulate)
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How the modules hang together,
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- generative programming to implement languages
- safe component interaction in a multi-lingual world

SAFE INTERACTIONS

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values

How does a *reactive* program
safely access Racket's GUI library?

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Lazy values are promises of plain values.
How do we ensure safe access?

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Typed values are plain values.
But how do you guarantee *type soundness*?

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

inc.rkt

```
#lang typed/racket
```

```
(:inc5 (Integer -> Integer))
```

```
;; increment argument by 5
```

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(define (inc5 i)
```

```
  (+ i 5))
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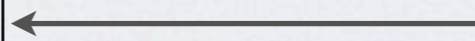
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(provide inc5)
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main.rkt

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#lang racket
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(require "inc.rkt")
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(printf "~a\n" (inc5 6))
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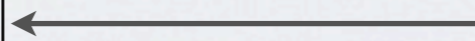
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This works because *typed*
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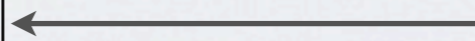
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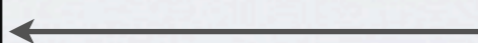
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Integer on call

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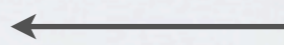
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#lang typed/racket
```

```
(: encode ((Integer -> Integer) -> Integer))  
;; encode output of f  
(define (encode f)  
  (+ (f 21) 42))  
  
(provide encode)
```

main.rkt

```
#lang racket
```

```
(require "encode.rkt")  
  
(define (code i)  
  (format "~a: hello world" i))  
  
(printf "~a\n" (encode code))
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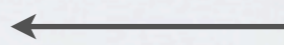
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#lang typed/racket
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(provide encode)
```

main.rkt

```
#lang racket
```

```
(require "encode.rkt")  
  
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(printf "~a\n" (encode hello))
```



encode.rkt

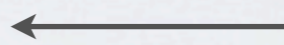
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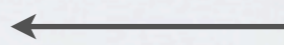
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main.rkt

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```



Solution 1: wrap contract

```
(integer? -> integer?)  
around code
```

Solution 2: contract

```
(integer? -> integer?)  
checks each call to code
```

encode.rkt

#lang racket

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```

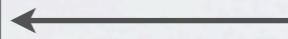
main.rkt

#lang typed/racket

```
(require "encode.rkt")

(define (code i)
  (format "~a: hello world" (encode ( $\lambda$  (x) x))))

(sprintf "~a\n" (encode code))
```



encode.rkt

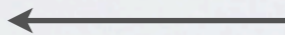
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main.rkt

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```



stop!

The **typed** component needs
a type for the **untyped**
import for type checking.

encode.rkt

#lang racket

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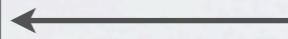
main.rkt

#lang typed/racket

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(printf "~a\n" (encode hello))
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encode.rkt

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Solution 1: state type

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((Integer -> Integer) -> Integer)  
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encode.rkt

#lang racket

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main.rkt

#lang typed/racket

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(define (main i)  
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Solution 1: state type

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((Integer -> Integer) -> Integer)  
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```

Solution 2: interpret
types as contracts

encode.rkt

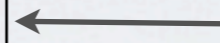
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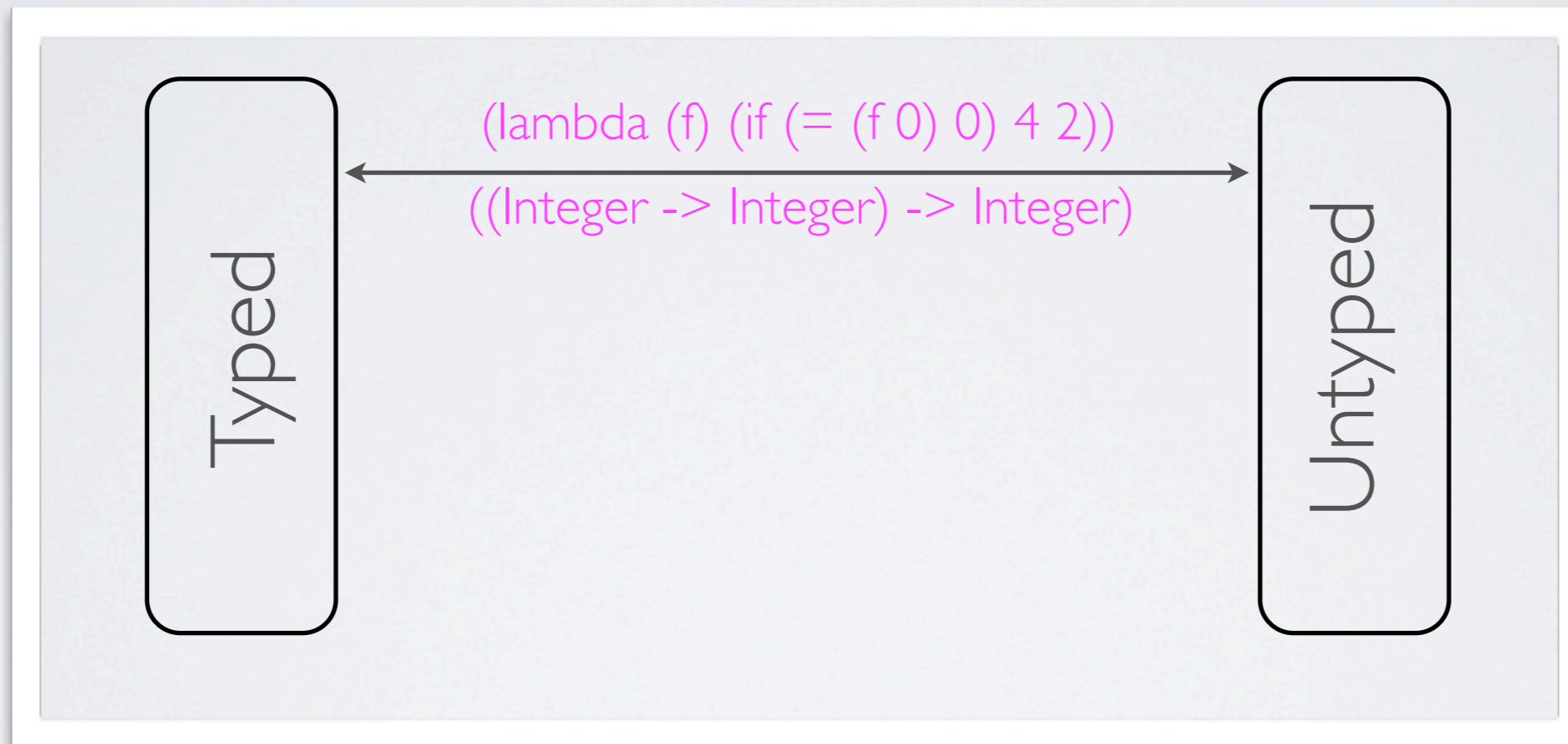
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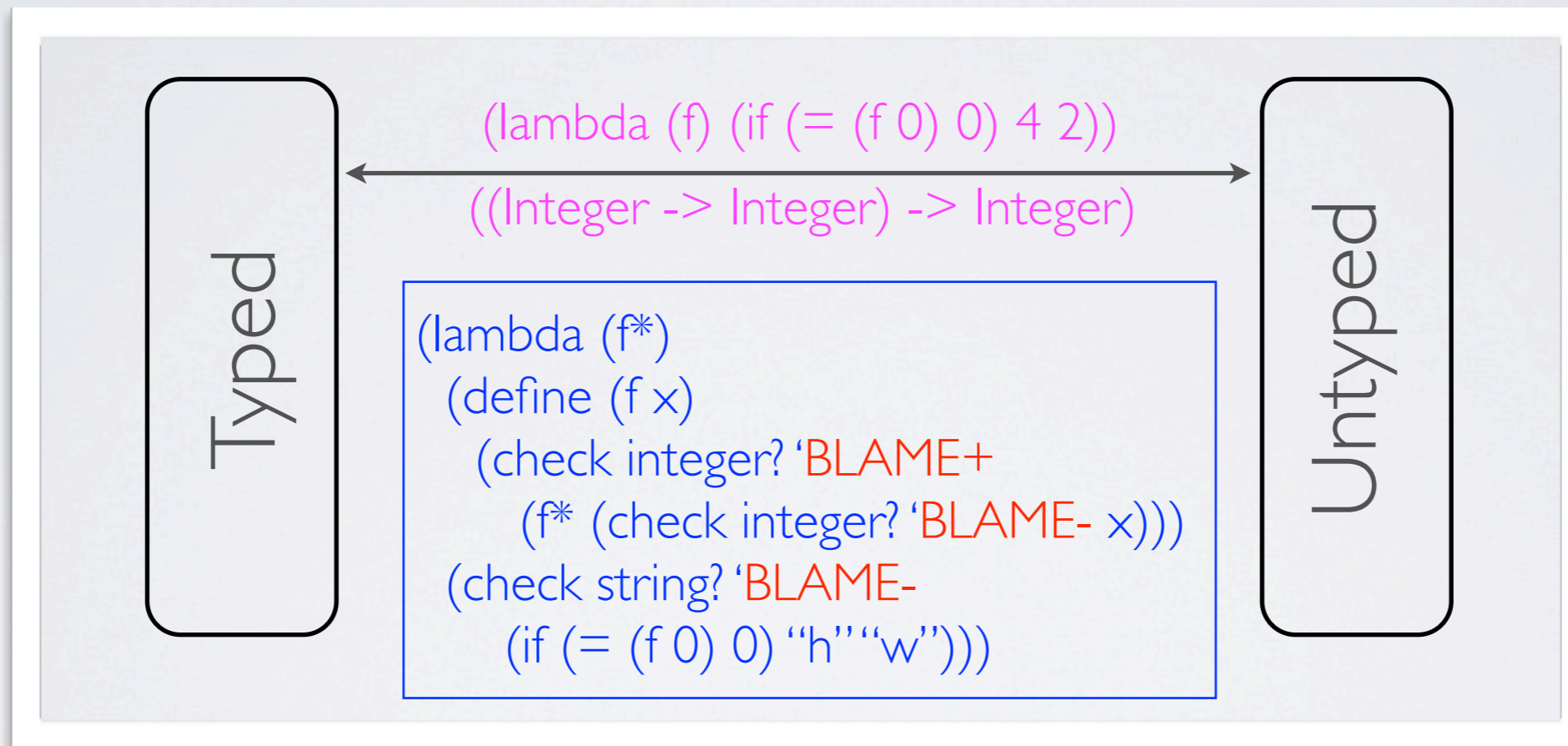
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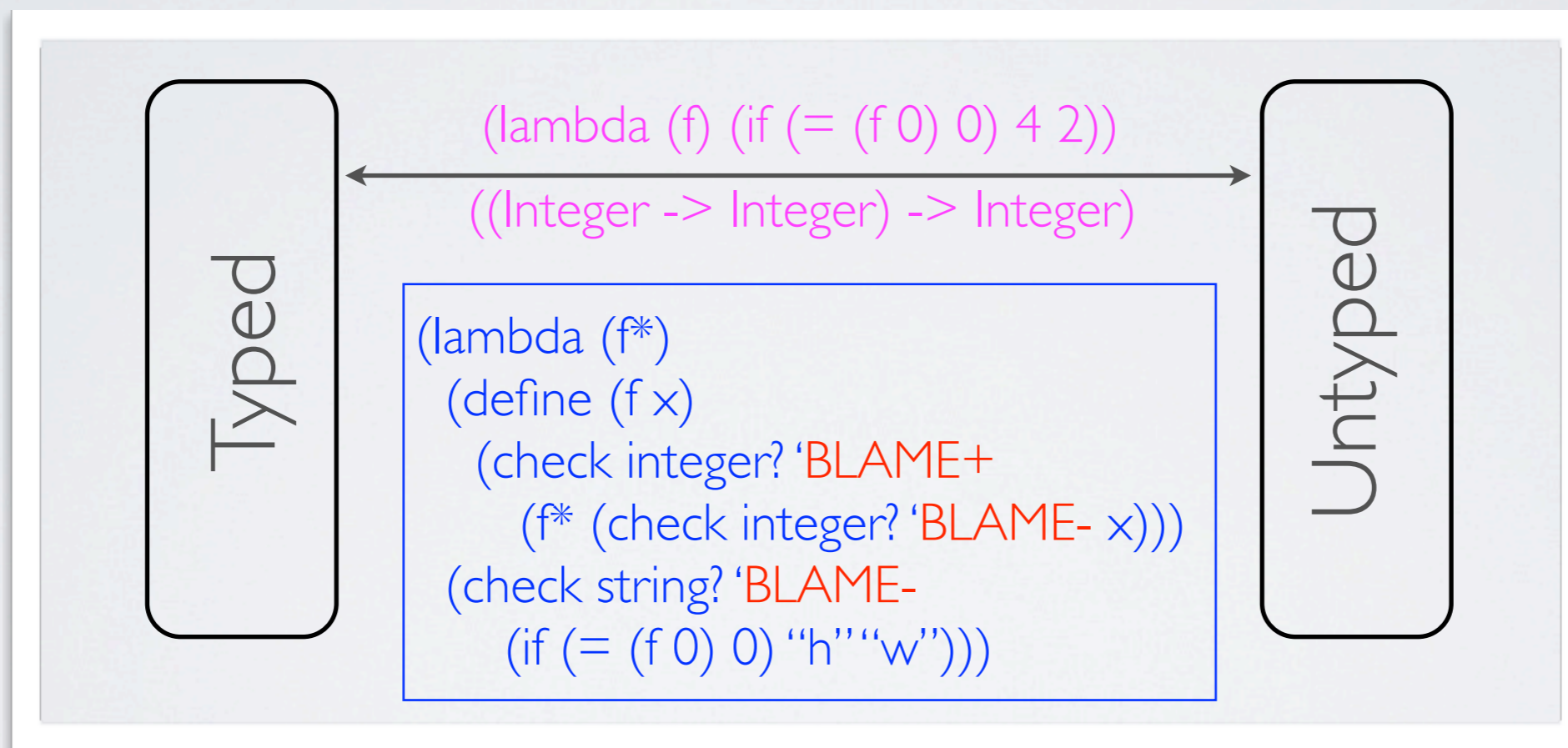
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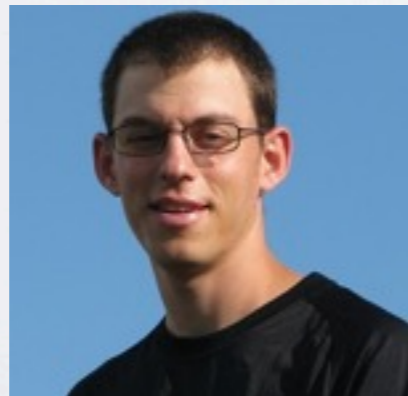
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step 3: value flow between typed modules is free

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

#lang typed/racket

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(: encode ((Integer -> Integer) -> Integer))
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(provide encode)
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What does this mean?

Racket languages are
components that implement
a **compiler** and
a **run-time library**.

Syntax Rewriting
+ Run-time Functions
= New Languages

Pattern-based Syntax Rewriting

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  (pop x)

  ;; ==>>

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Procedural Syntax Rewriting

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(define-syntax (define-un-serialize stx)
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(define (insert identifier its-type)  
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Syntax Rewriting
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= New Languages

typed/racket.rkt

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typed/racket.rkt

```
#lang typed/racket
```

```
(define (expand x) 42)  
(: f (Integer -> Integer))  
...
```



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Substitution 2: Macro arguments are substituted into macro bodies.

typed/racket.rkt

```
#lang typed/racket  
  
(define-type Shapes (U Square Circle))  
...
```

```
(define-syntax-rule  
  (define-type T Type)  
  ;; ==>>  
  (begin  
    (define NormalType (normalize 'Type))  
  
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```

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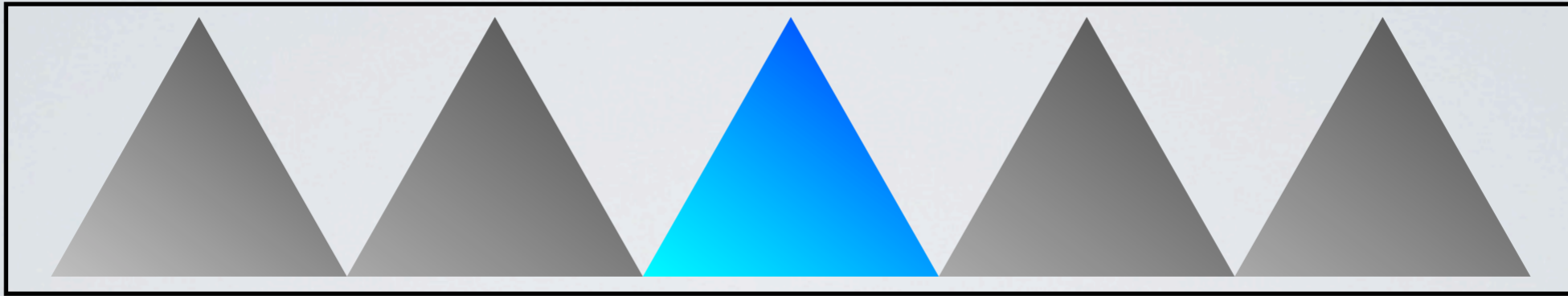
Programmers can override the defaults.

Contrary to rumors in the CL world:
Hygienic macros **increase** the **expressive
power** of the macros system.

But macros are only half the story.

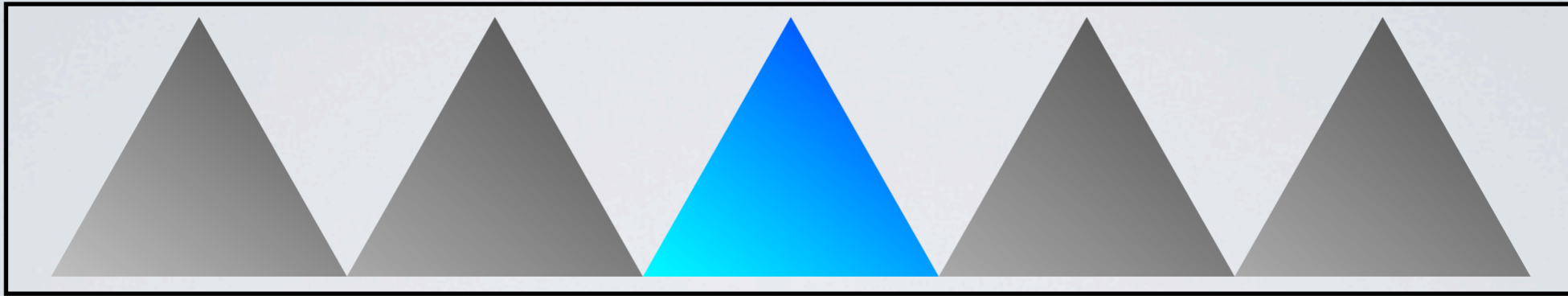
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Macros are (mostly) *context-free* rewriting rules.
Implementing languages requires *context-sensitivity*.

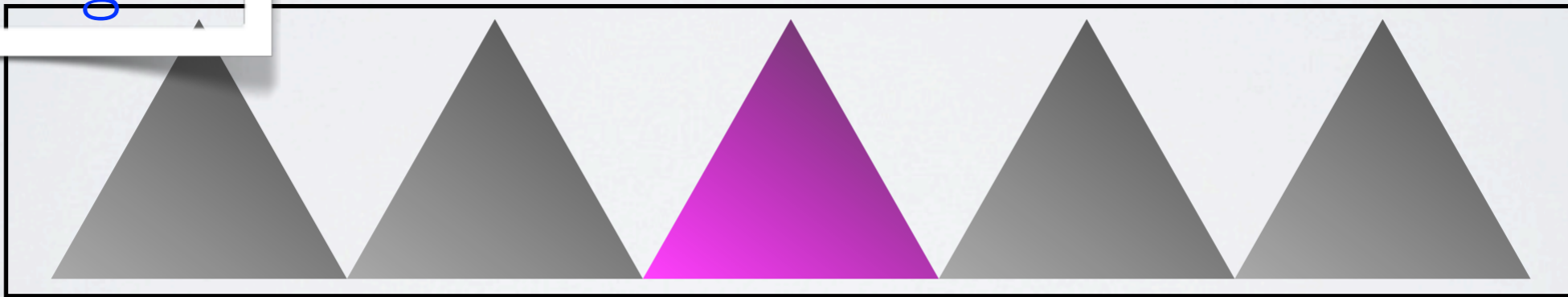


Imagine a language that requires type checking.

```
(define: f  
  (Int -> Int)  
  ...)
```

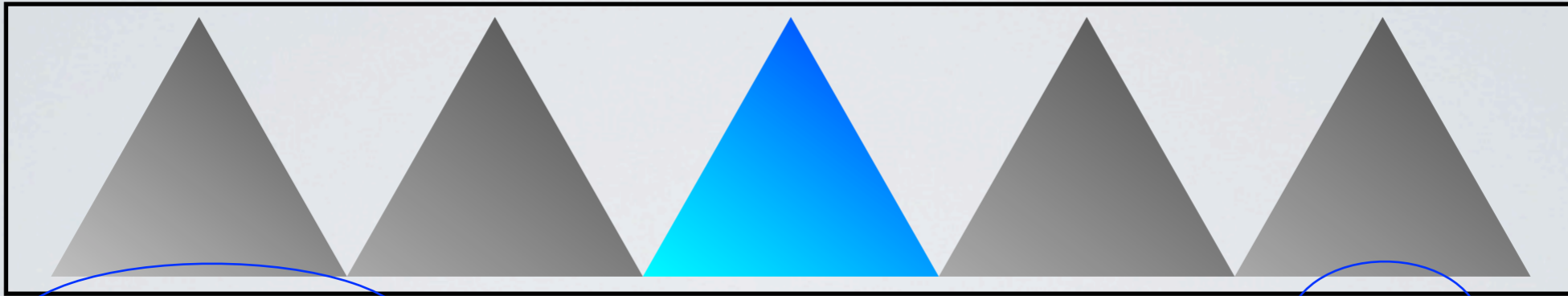


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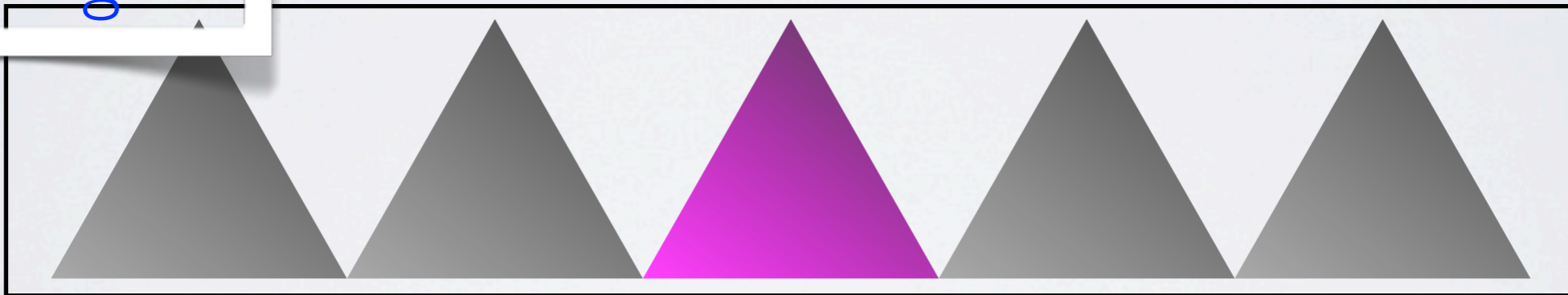
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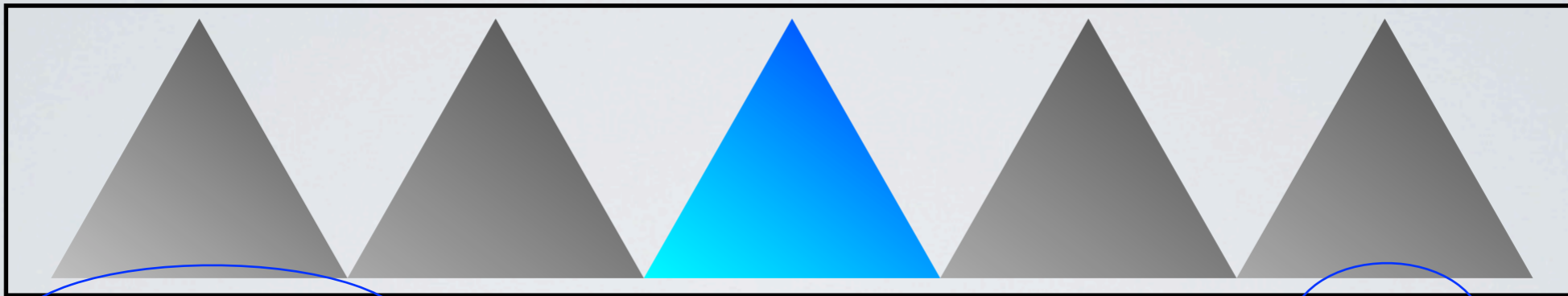
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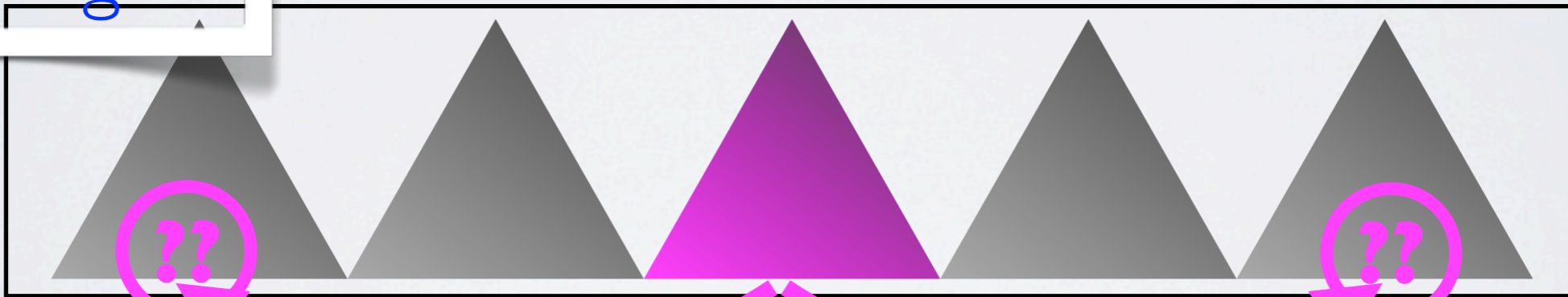
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**Macros rewrite trees.
They cannot communicate to contexts.**

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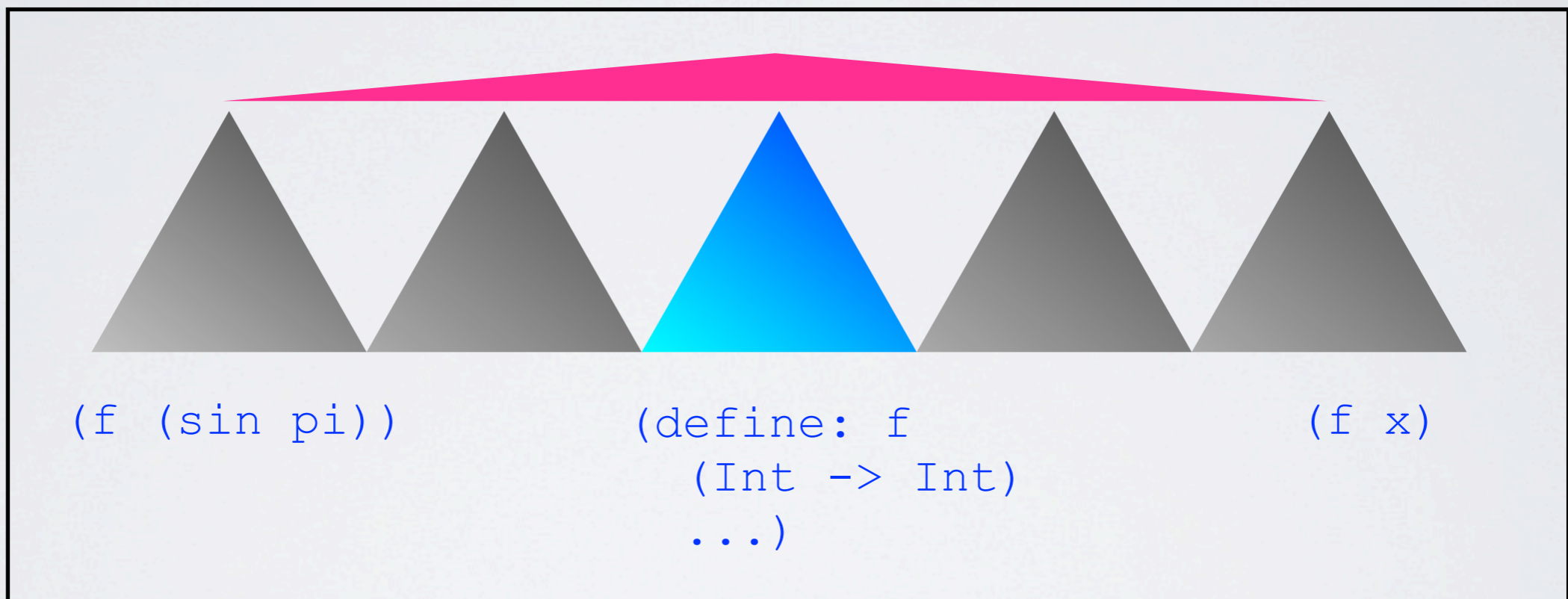


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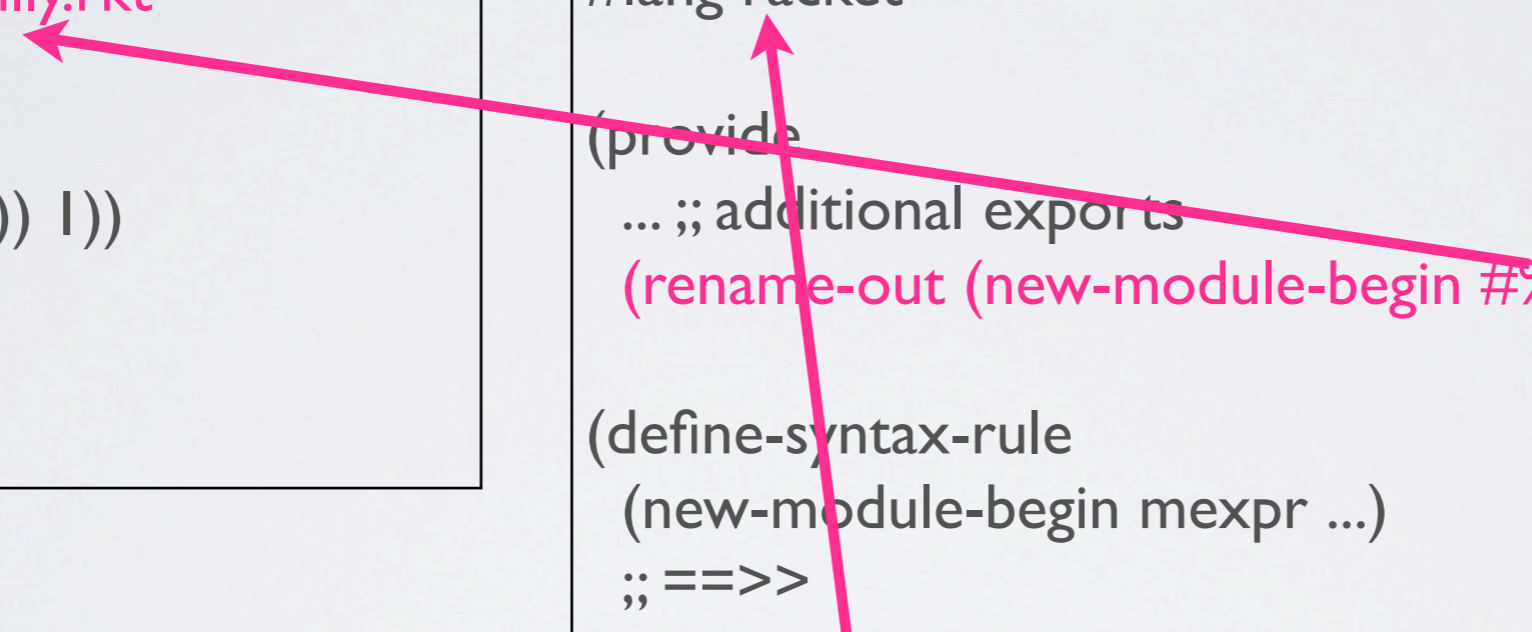
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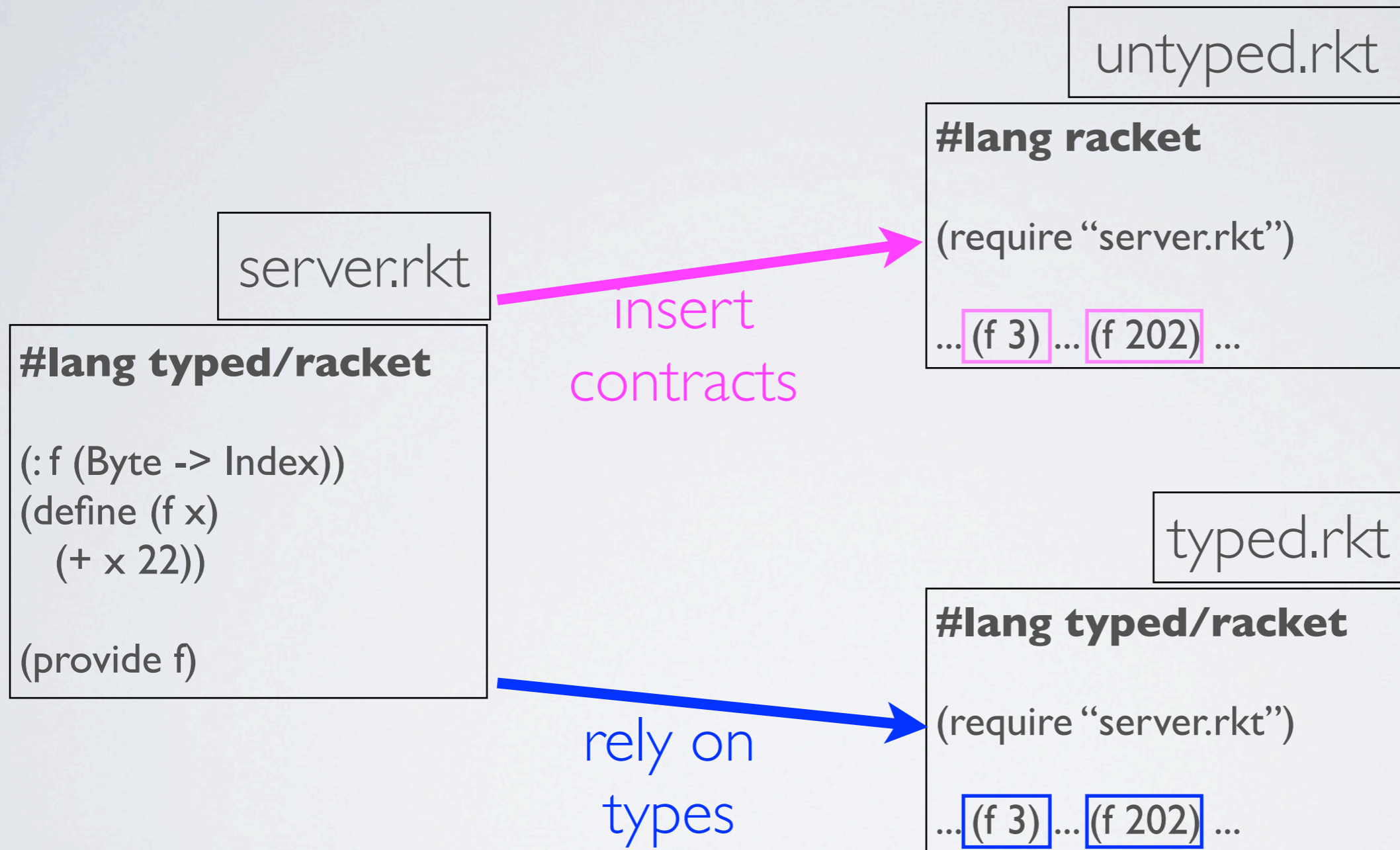
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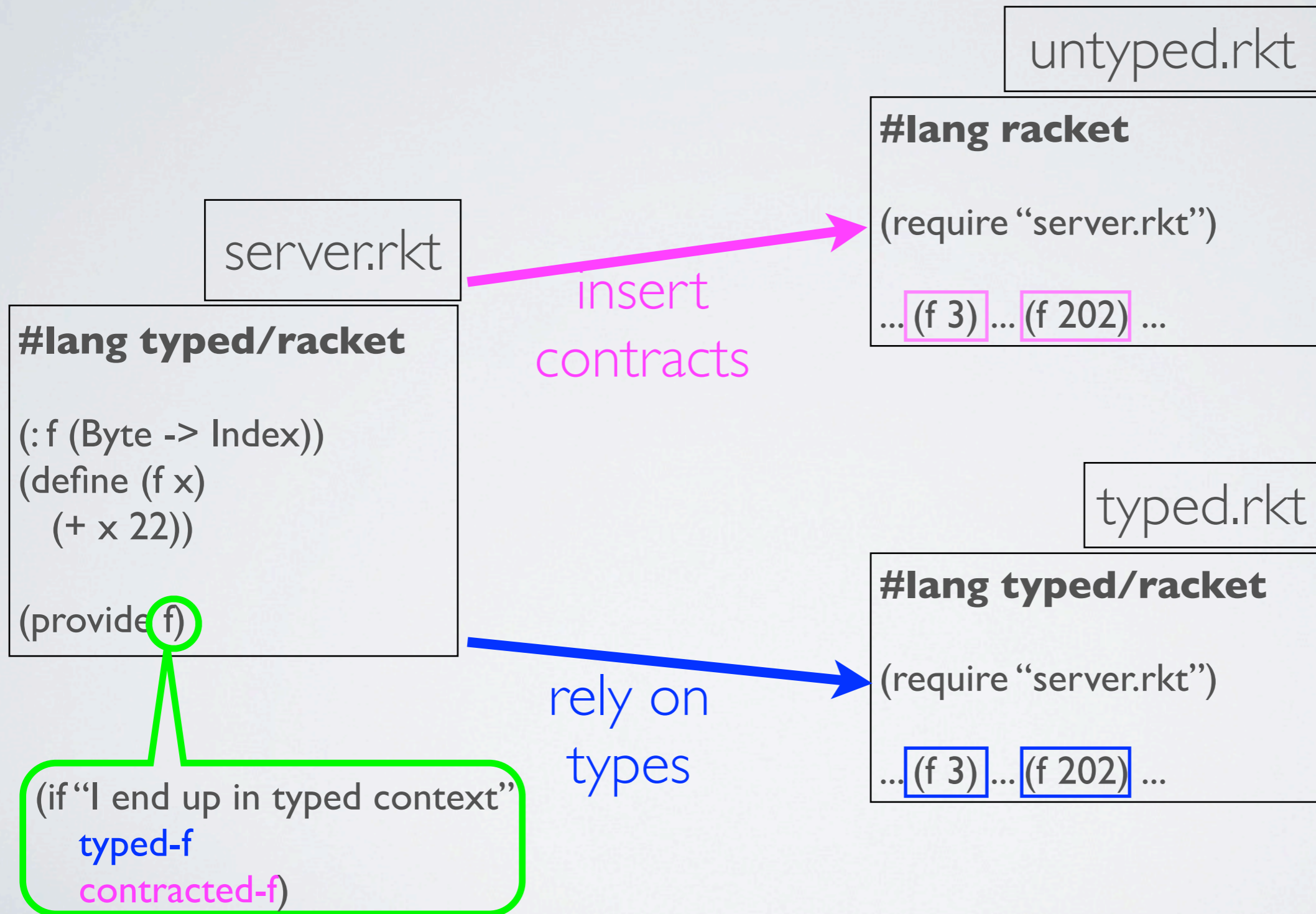
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The World of Macros

- Racket, the language
- the macro tools
- experience



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Languages as Libraries, PLDI 2011
Fortifying Macros, ICFP 2010
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CONCLUSION

Two ideas from Racket for everyone at GPCE.

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*Many more problems exist in this area,
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THE END

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