

Metaparse

Mpllibs

- Template Metaprogramming libraries
- <http://abel.web.elte.hu/mpllibs>
 - Metaparse
 - Metamonad
 - Metatest
 - Safe Printf

Mpllibs

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Agenda

- Parsing at compile-time
- Metaparse
- Haskell-like DSL for template metaprogramming
- Advanced parser creation techniques

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typedef
meta_hs
::define<_S(
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::get<_S("fib")>::type
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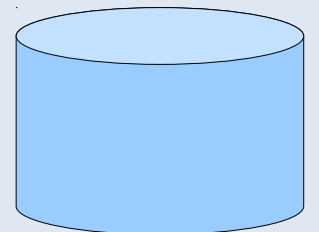
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  ::RULE("IMAG ::= DOUBLE" )
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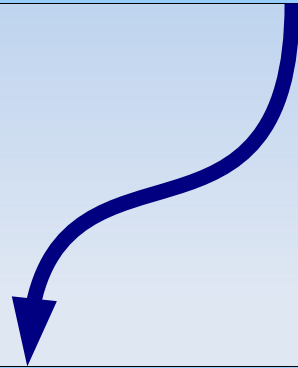
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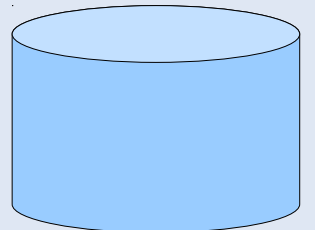


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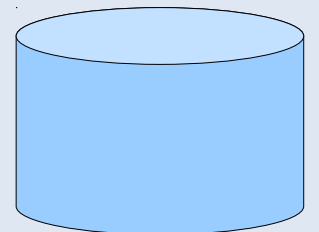


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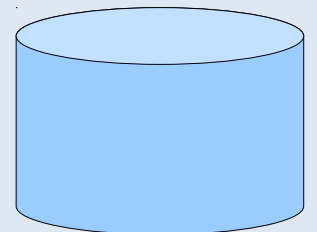
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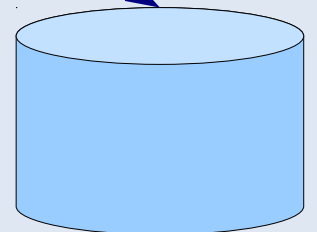
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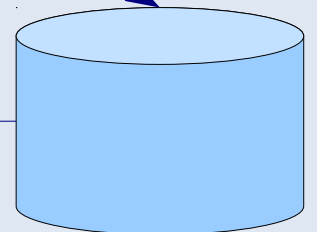
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The diagram illustrates the compilation process. A light green box at the top is labeled 'C++ source code' and contains a blue rounded rectangle with the source code for a Fibonacci function. A blue arrow originates from the bottom of this box and points down to a smaller blue rounded rectangle labeled 'fib' inside a larger light green box at the bottom labeled 'C++ compiler'. A blue trapezoidal shape connects the two boxes, representing the transformation of source code into a binary file.

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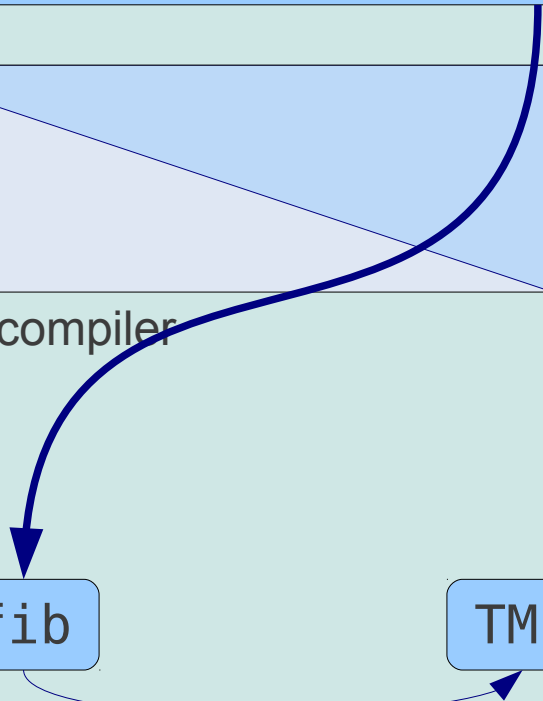
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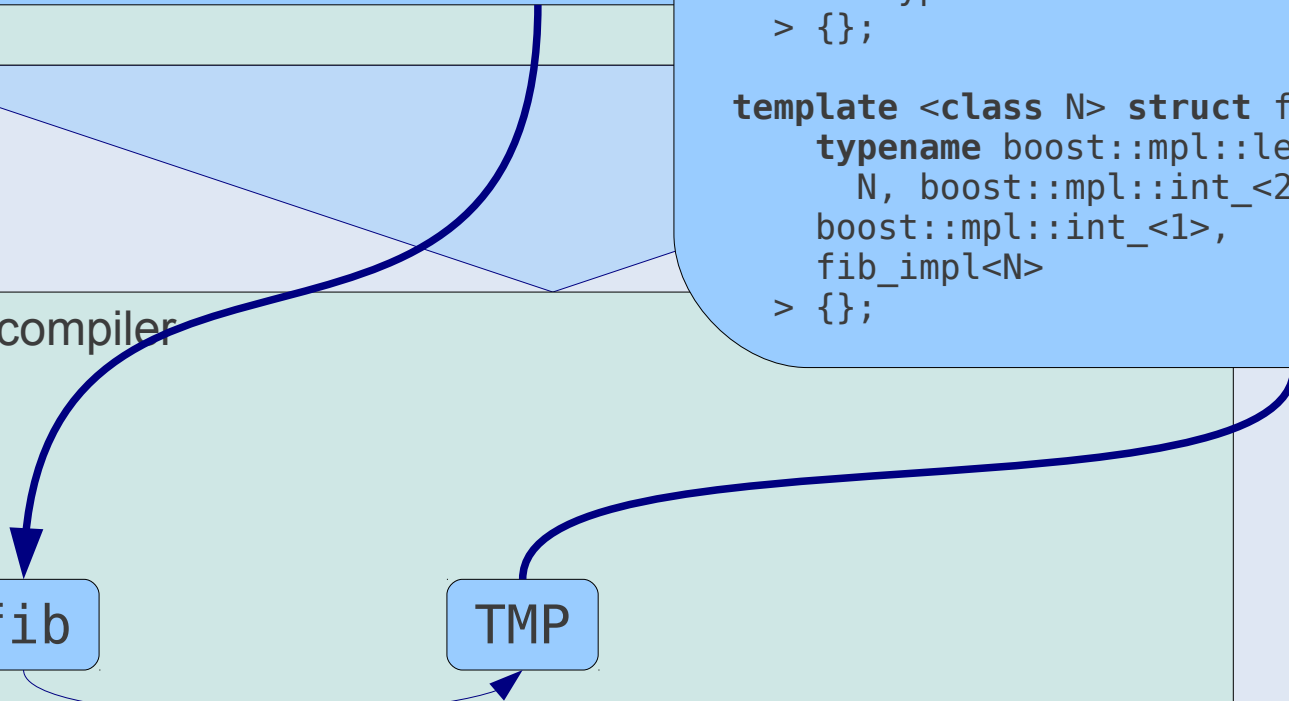
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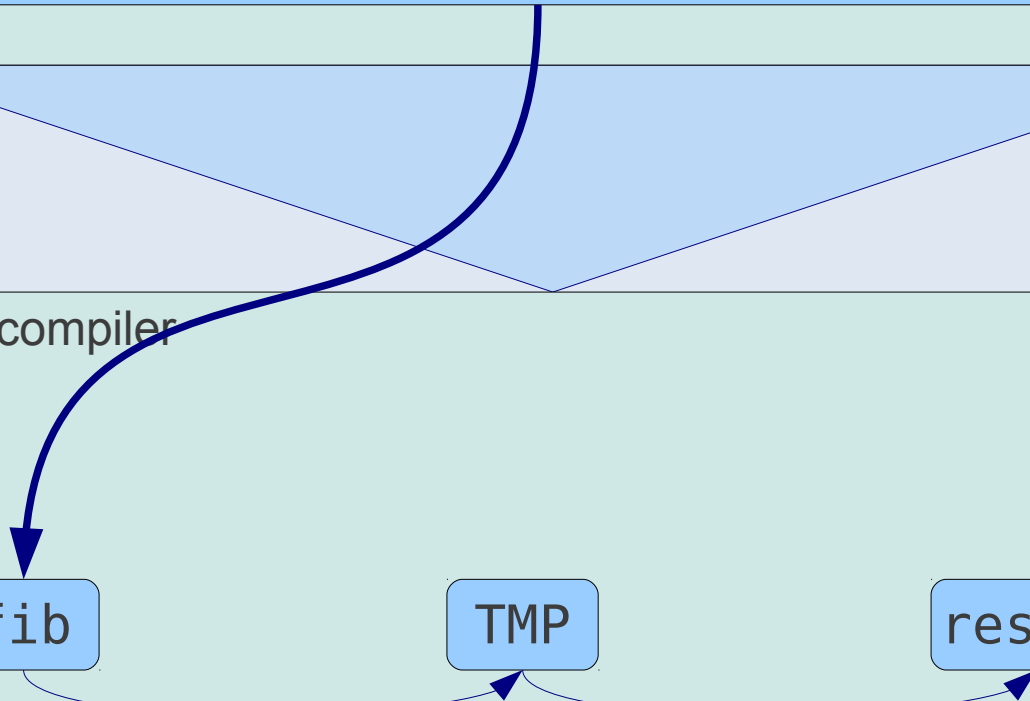
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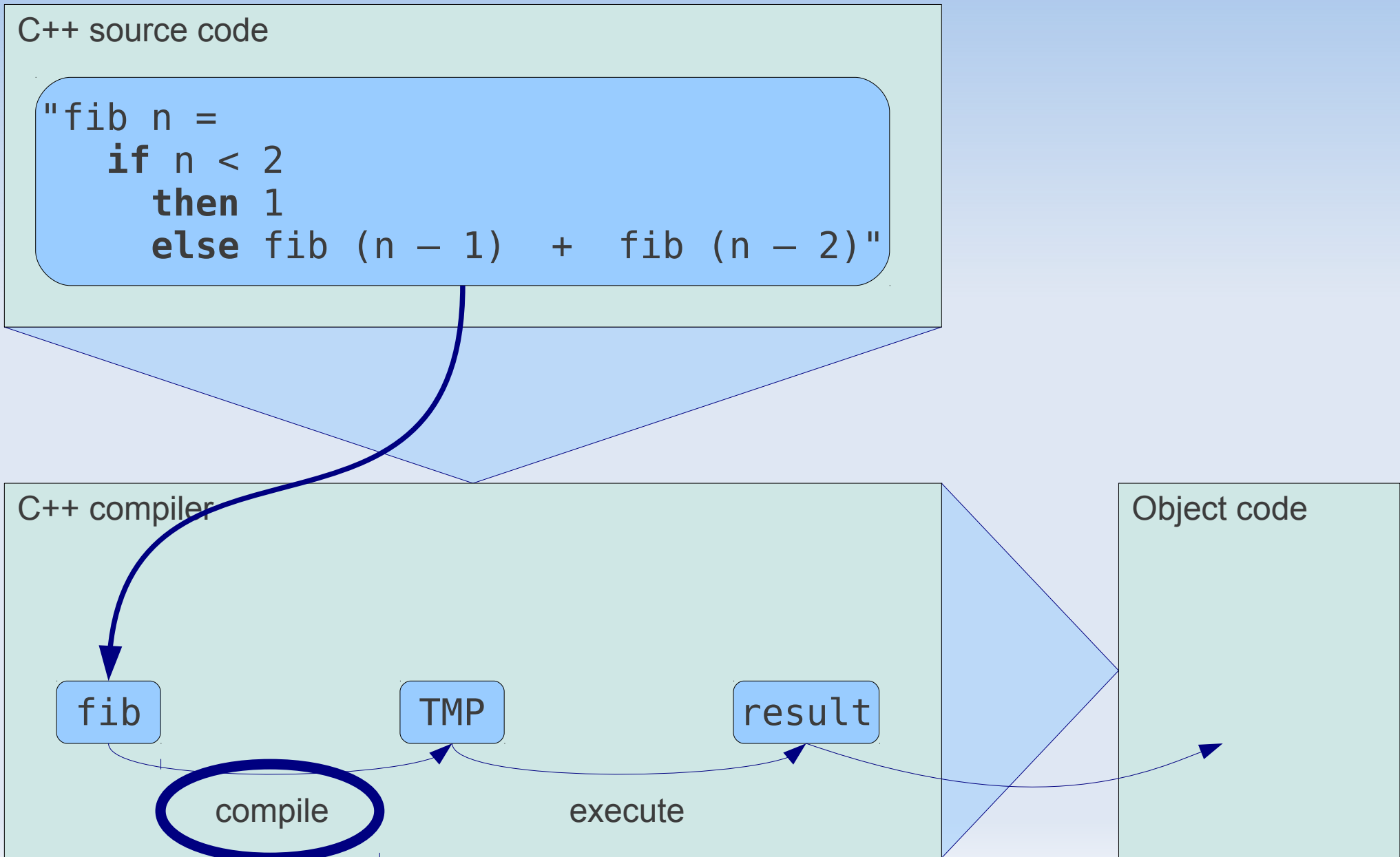
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 - Complex syntax (familiar to metaprogrammers :))

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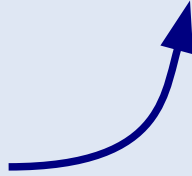
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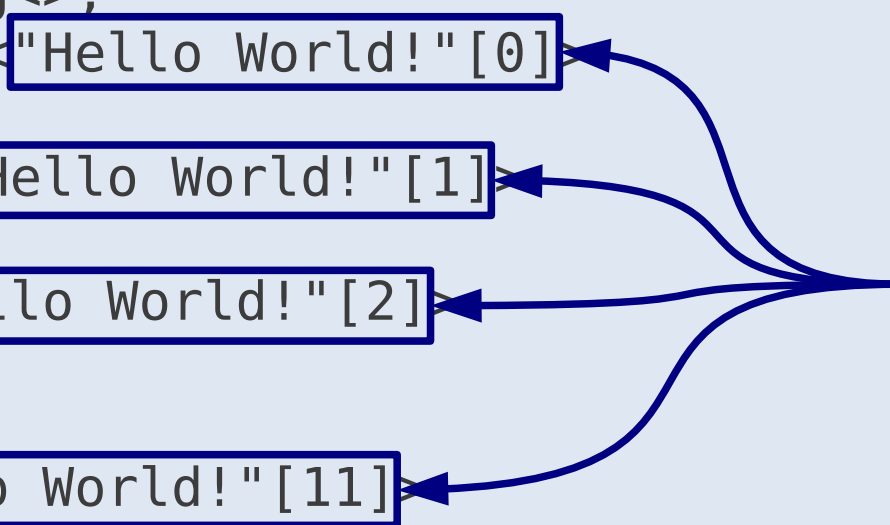


Diagram illustrating constant expressions in the code. Four boxed expressions are shown, each with an arrow pointing to a common point labeled "Constant expression":

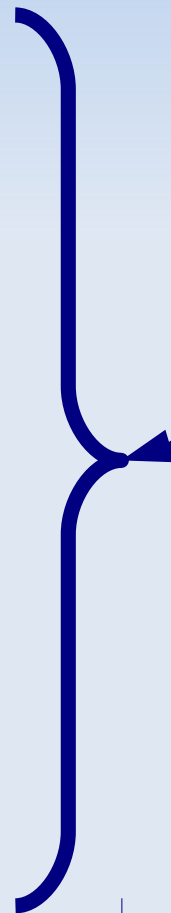
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Boost.Preprocessor

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[illegible]

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                    string<>, \  
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                            >::type, \  
                            char_<        S[2]> \  
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`template <class`
`struct apply : /`
`};`
- Return values:

```
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struct return_ {
    template <class S, class Pos>
    struct apply {
        typedef Result result;
        typedef S remaining;
        typedef Pos source_position;
    };
};
```

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template <class Msg>
struct fail {
```

source position

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    template <class S, class Pos>  
    struct apply {  
        typedef Msg reason;  
        typedef Pos source_position;  
    };  
};
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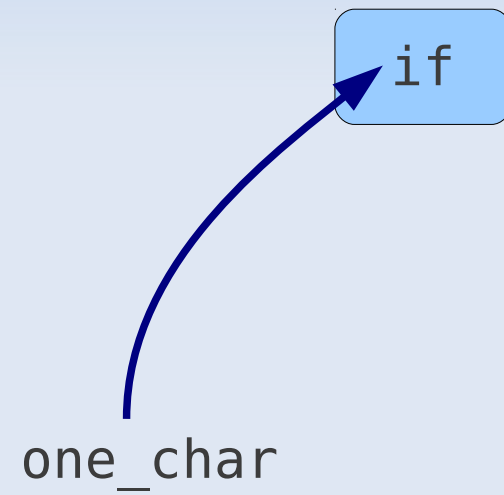
Parsers

```
struct one_char {  
    template <class S, class Pos>  
    struct apply {  
        typedef typename mpl::front<S>::type result;  
        typedef typename mpl::pop_front<S>::type remaining;  
        typedef /* ... */ source_position;  
    };  
};
```

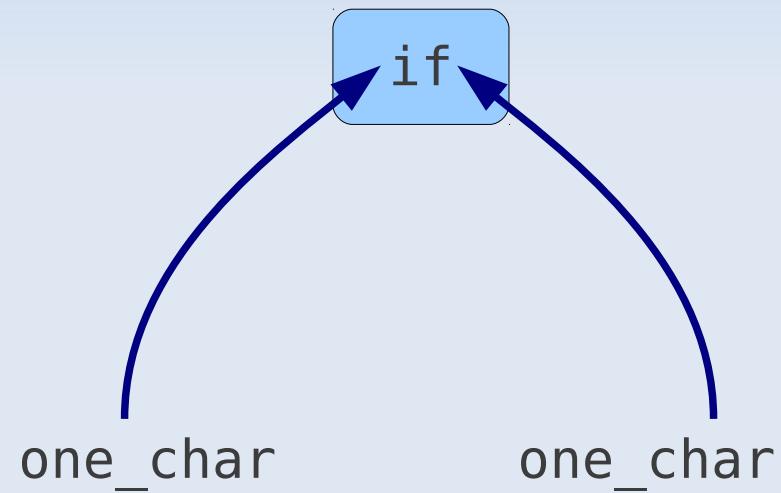
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Parsers



Parser combinators

- A parser combinator is a function taking parsers as arguments and building new parsers
- Higher-order function

Parser combinators

```
template <class P, class Pred, class Msg>  
struct accept_when {
```

```
};
```

Parser combinators

```
template <class P, class Pred, class Msg>
struct accept_when {
    template <class R>
    struct impl : mpl::apply<
        typename mpl::if_<
            typename mpl::apply<Pred, typename R::result>::type,
            return_<typename R::result>,
            fail<Msg>
        >::type,
        typename R::remaining, typename R::source_position
    > {};

    template <class S, class Pos>
    struct apply : mpl::eval_if<
        typename is_error<mpl::apply<P, S, Pos>>::type,
        mpl::apply<P, S, Pos>,
        impl<typename mpl::apply<P, S, Pos>::type>
    > {};
};
```

Parser combinators

```
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Parser combinators

```
template <class C>
struct lit :
    accept_when<one_char, mpl::equal_to<mpl::_1, C>, ...>
{};
```

DSL for template metaprograms

- Template metaprograms are pure functional programs
- We should follow the syntax of a functional language (Haskell)
- Write metaprograms in a Haskell-like language

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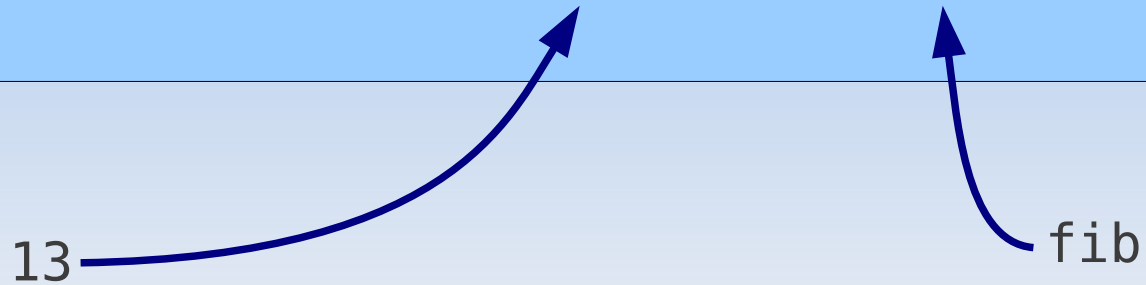
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struct ast_value;
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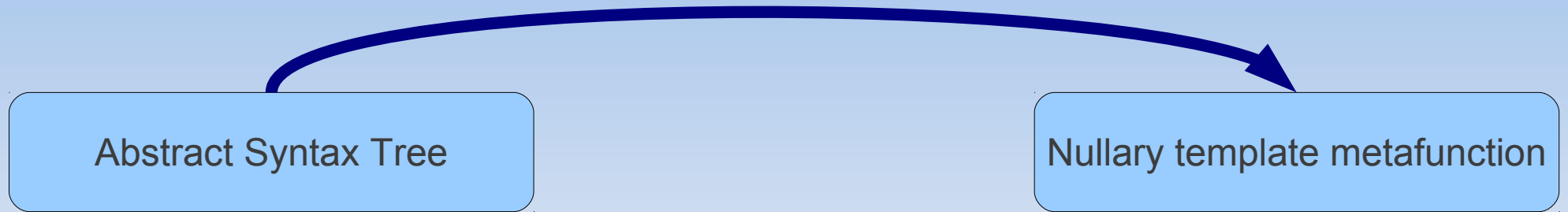
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```

```
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>
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>
```

bind

```
struct carried_lazy_plus
{
  typedef
    carried_lazy_plus
    type;

  template <class A>
  struct apply {
    struct type {
      template <class B>
      struct apply :
        mpl::plus<
          typename A::type,
          typename B::type
        > {};
    };
  };
};
```

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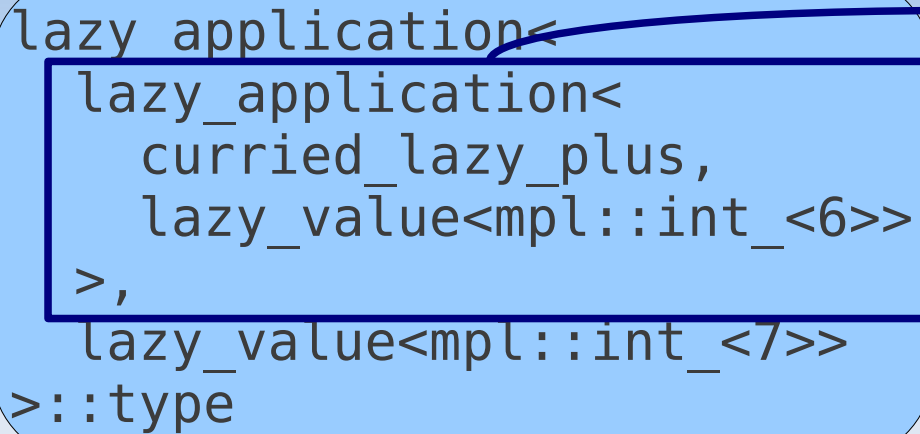
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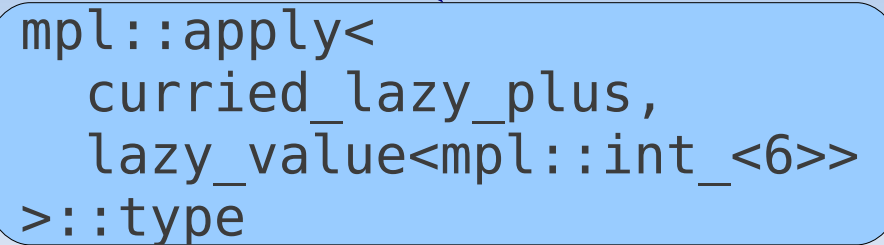
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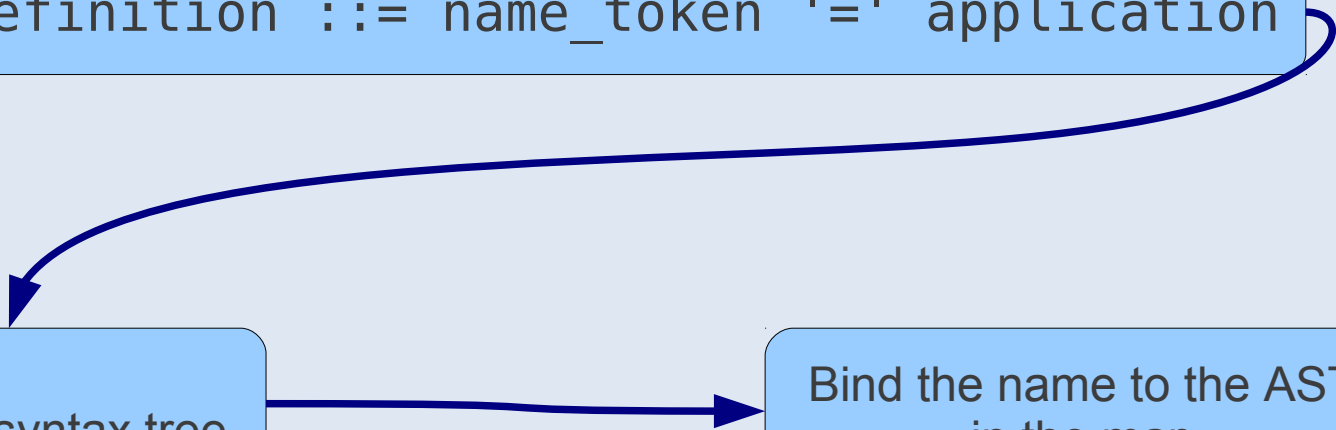
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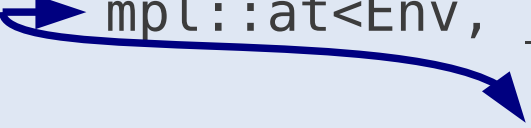
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    _S("b")
  >,
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```

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 - When it is called:
 - It does the binding
 - It evaluates the result of binding

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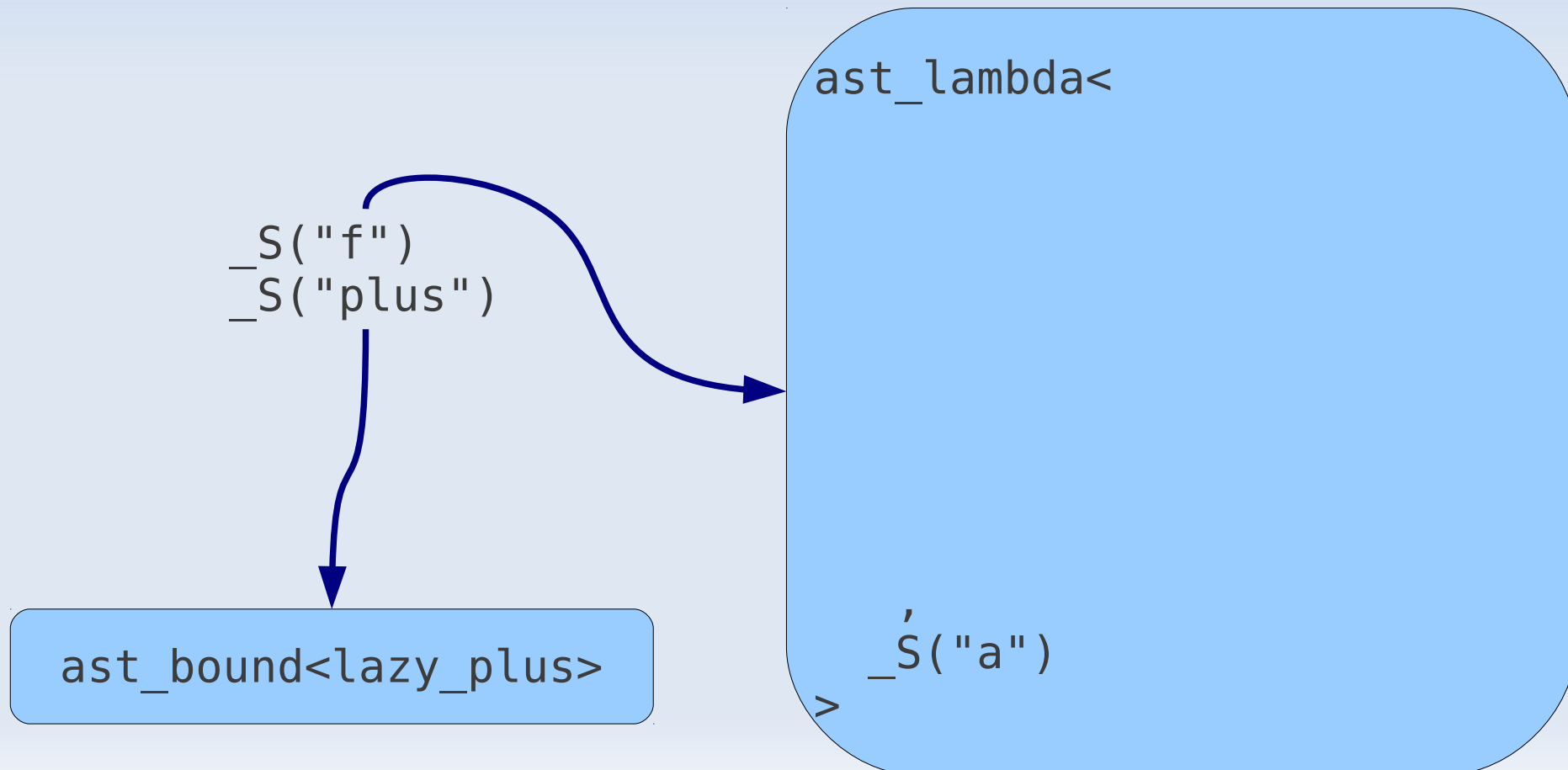
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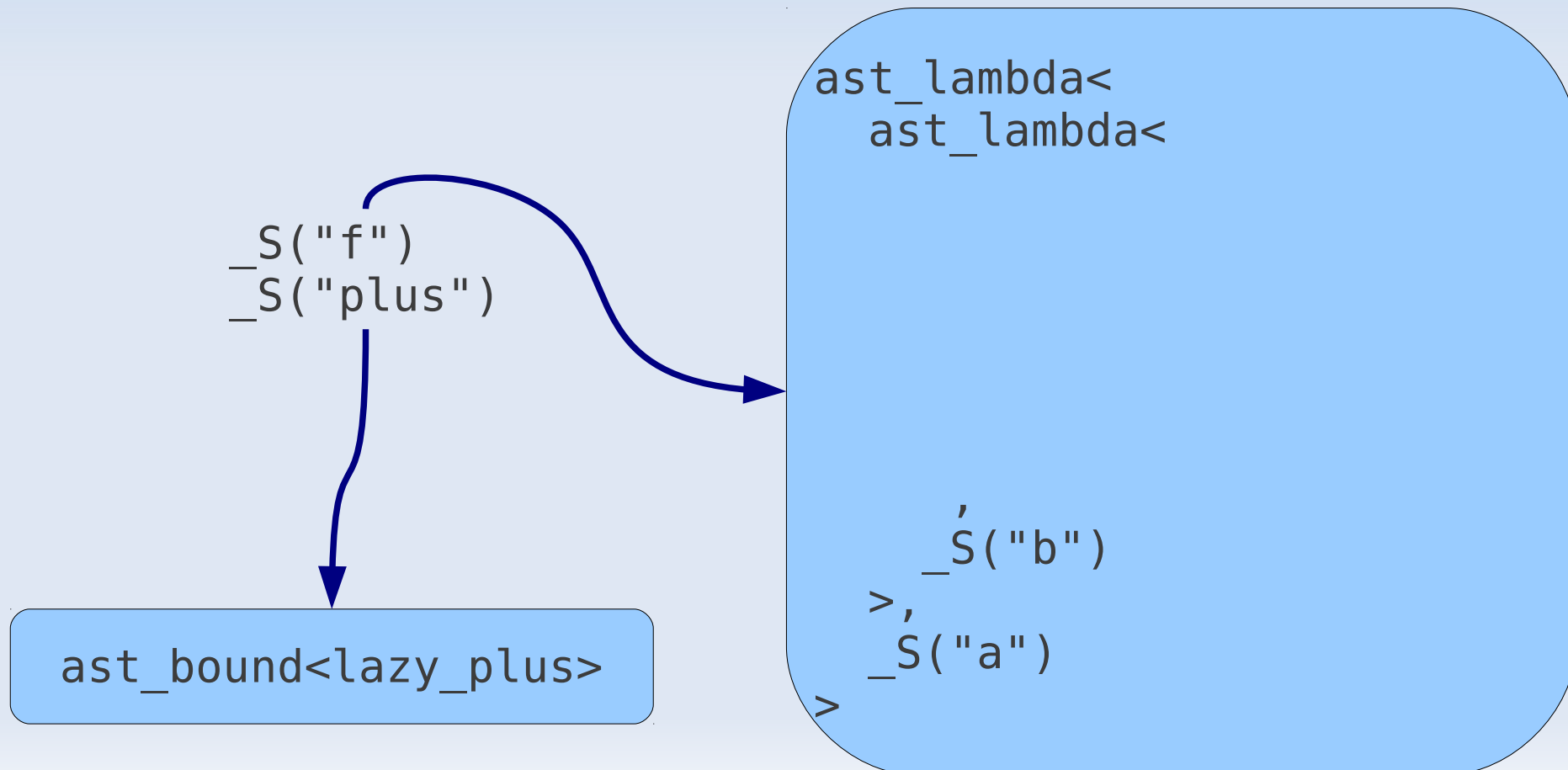
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    // ...  
  meta_hs;
```

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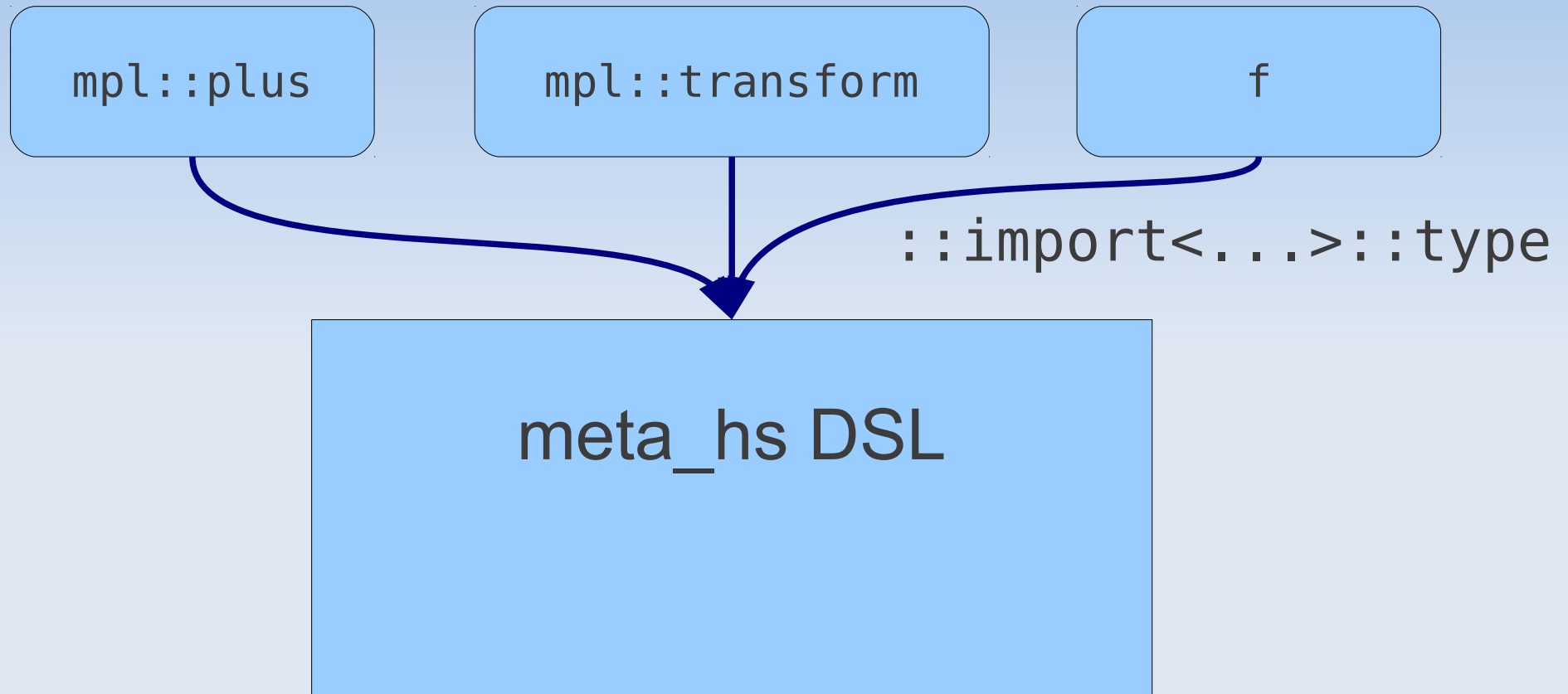
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mpl::transform<
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>::type
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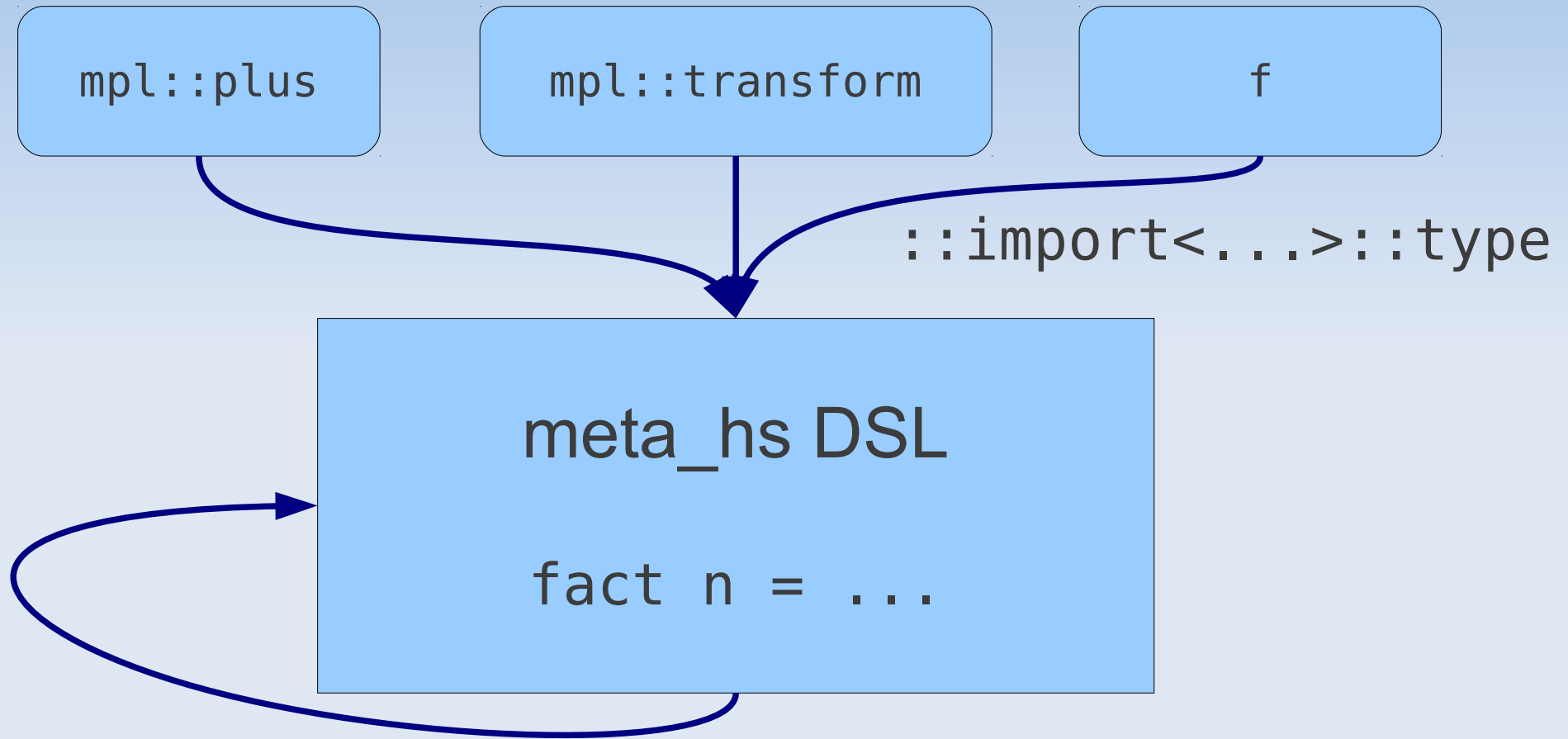

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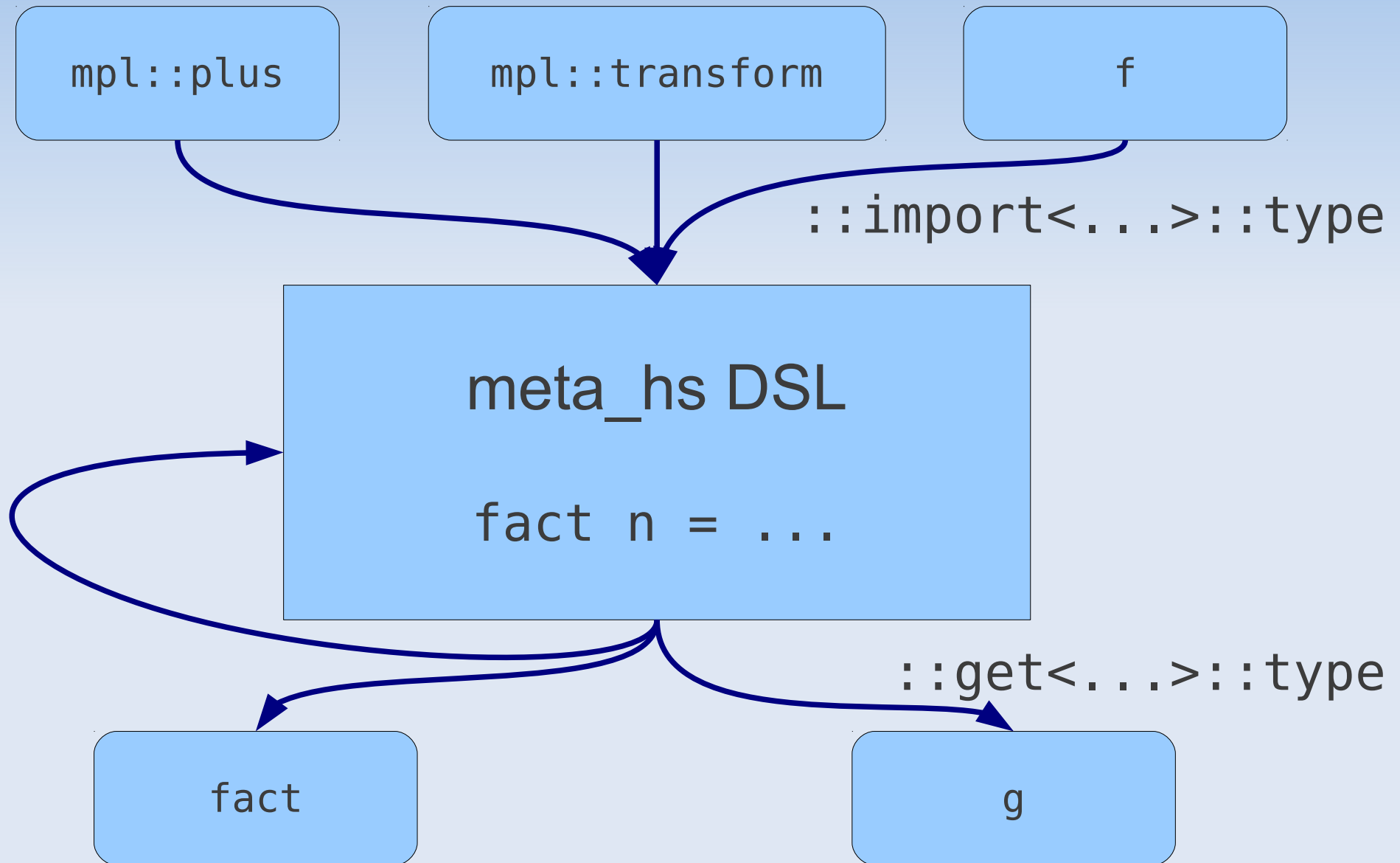
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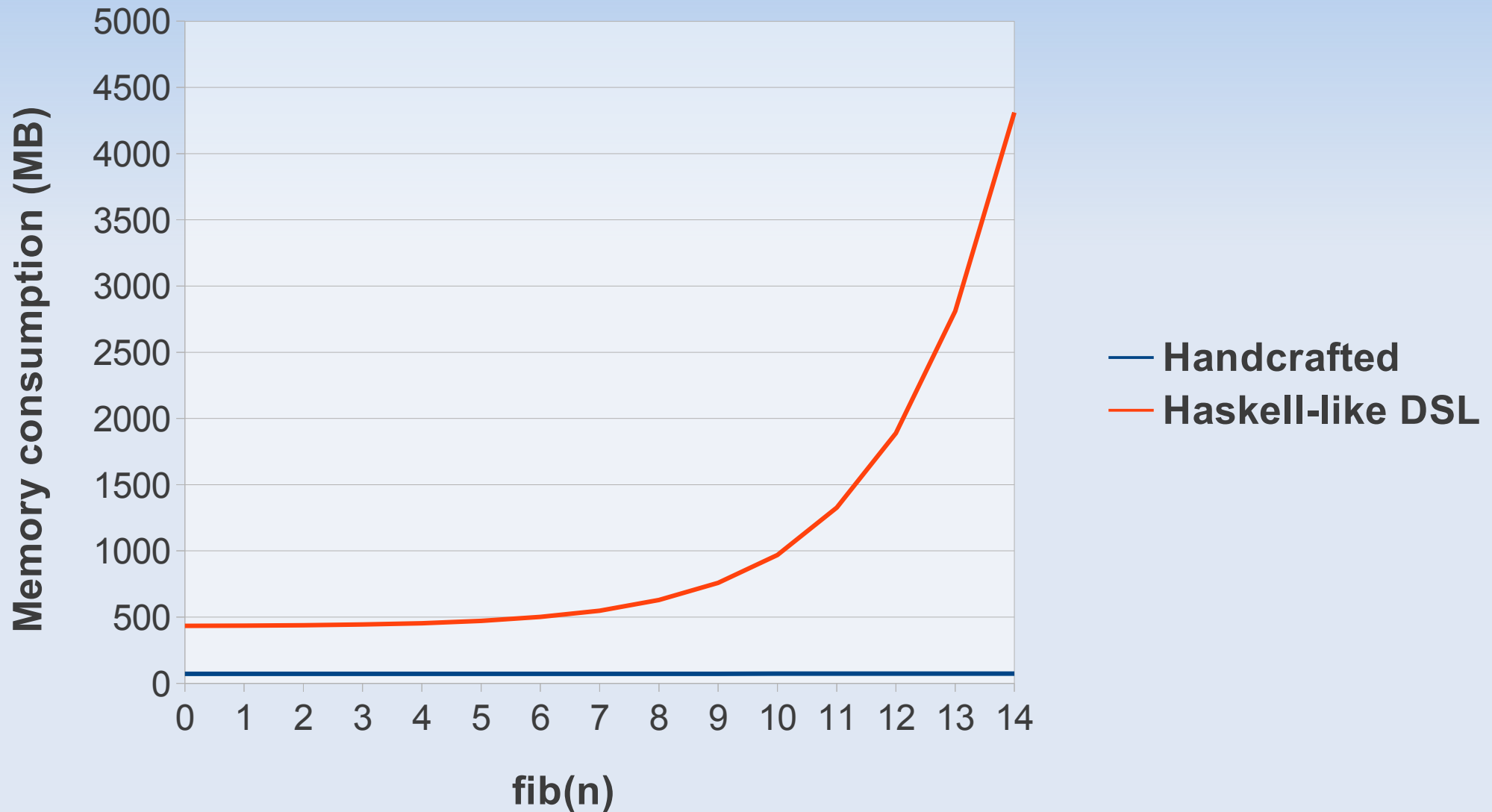
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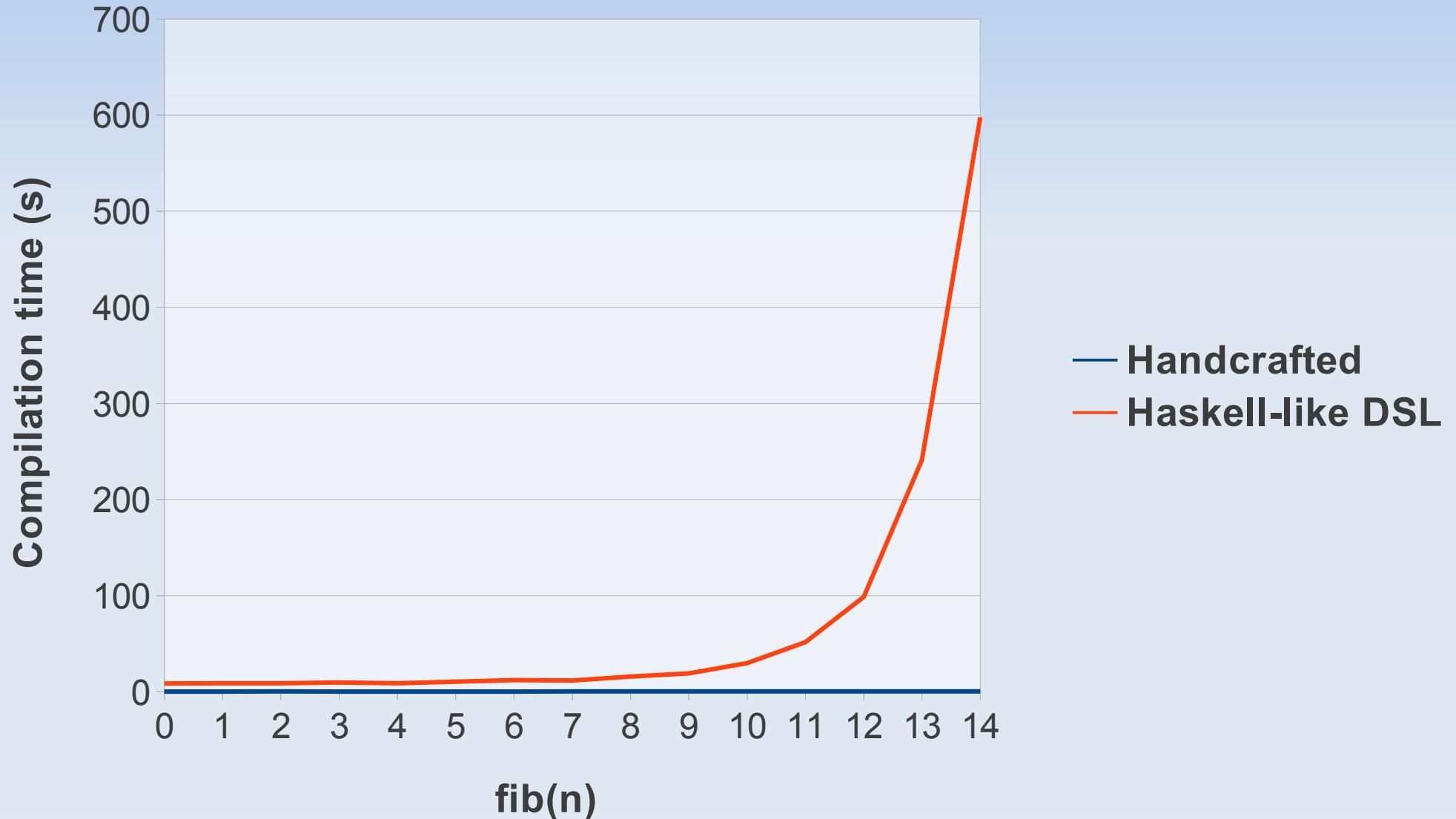
Performance

- Fibonacci
 - Handcrafted (based on Boost.MPL)
 - Generated
- Linux
- GCC 4.7, 64 bit (-std=c++0x)
- 1.6 GHz, 2 cores
- 2 GB memory

Memory usage



Compilation time



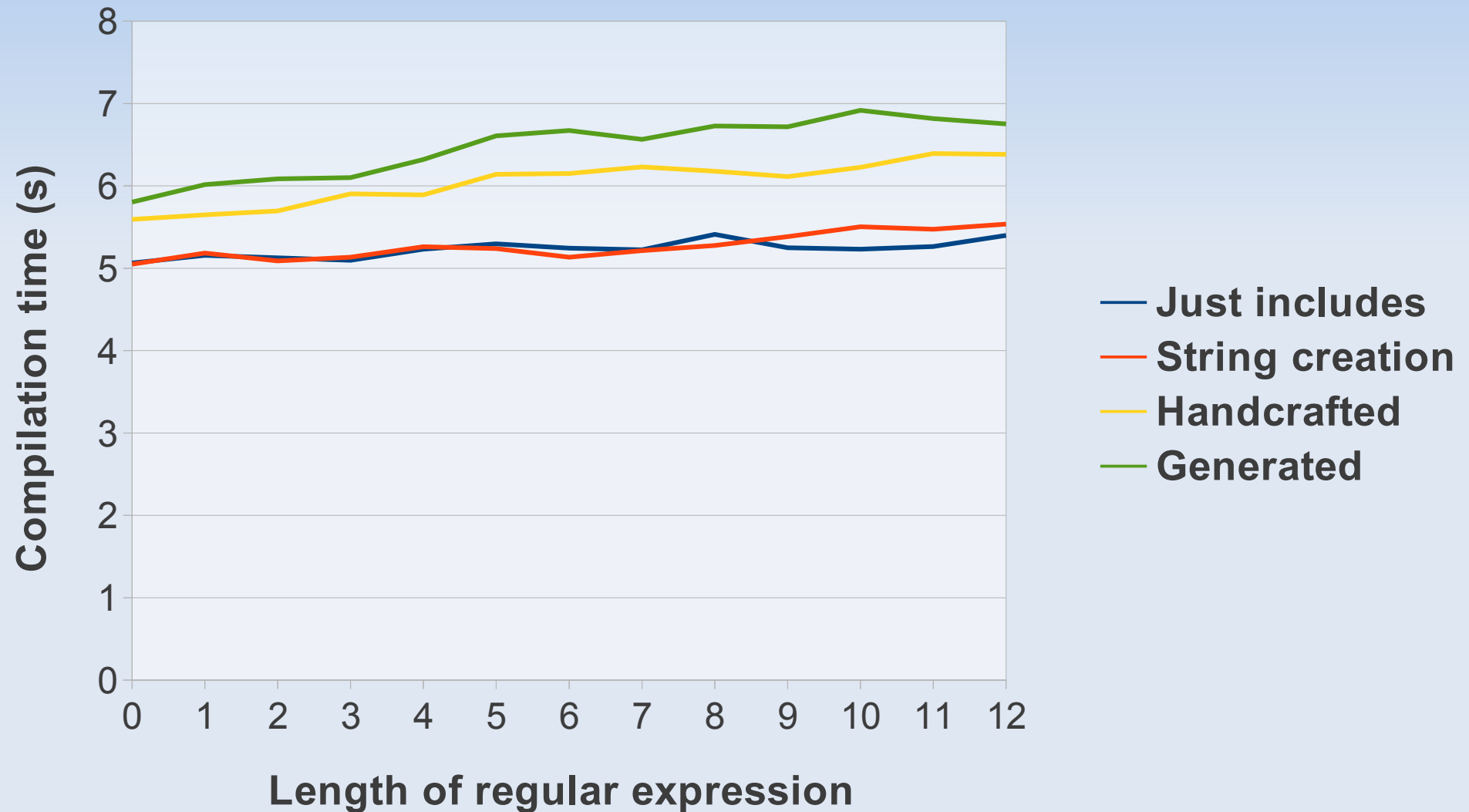
Regular expressions

- Syntactical sugar for Xpressive
- We generate code the could have been written using the original Xpressive interface
- Easy to measure the difference
- Where the costs are coming from?

Regular expressions

- Virtual Machine (VirtualBox 1.2)
- Host OS: Windows 7
- Guest OS: Linux
- g++ 4.6, -std=c++0x
- Memory: 1 GB
- Processor: Inter Core2 Duo, 2.53 GHz

Compilation time



Parser combinators

```
template <class P, class Pred, class Msg>
struct accept_when {
    template <class S, class Pos>
    struct apply :
        mpl::eval_if<
            typename is_error<mpl::apply<P, S, Pos>>::type,
            mpl::apply<P, S, Pos>,
            // check result of parsing...
        >
    {};
};
```

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template <class P, class Result>
struct always {
    template <class S, class Pos>
    struct apply :
        mpl::eval_if<
            typename is_error<mpl::apply<P, S, Pos>>::type,
            mpl::apply<P, S, Pos>,
            mpl::apply<return_<Result>, /* ... */ >
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```

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        >::type r;  
  
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        typedef pair<  
            typename mpl::front<typename get_result<r>::type>::type,  
            typename mpl::back<typename get_result<r>::type>::type  
        > type;  
        // TODO: error propagation  
    };  
};
```

Parser combinators

typedef

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name_token,      name,  
define_token,    ignore,  
application,     body,  
    mpl::pair<name, body>
```

definition;

Parser combinators

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bind<name_token,    lambda<name,  
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definition;

lambda<arg, body>

bind<parser, lambda_expression>

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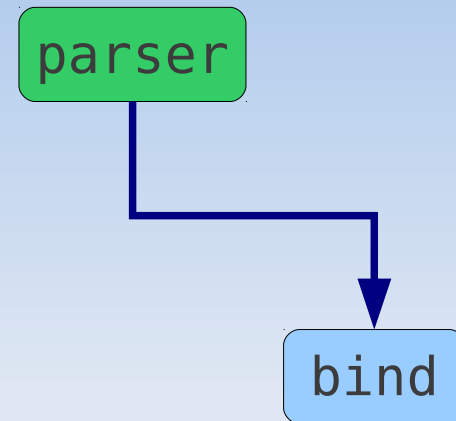
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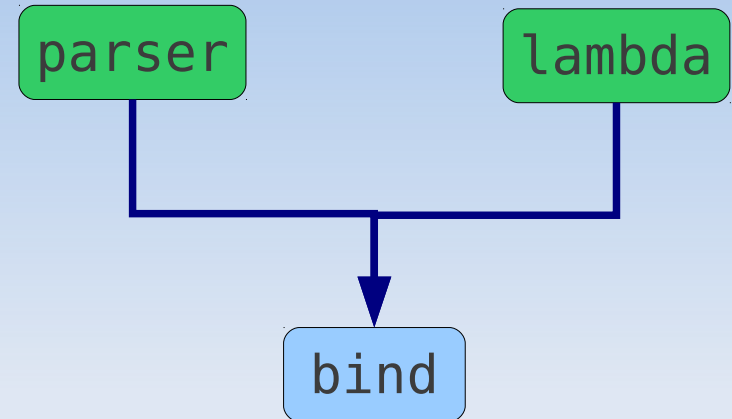
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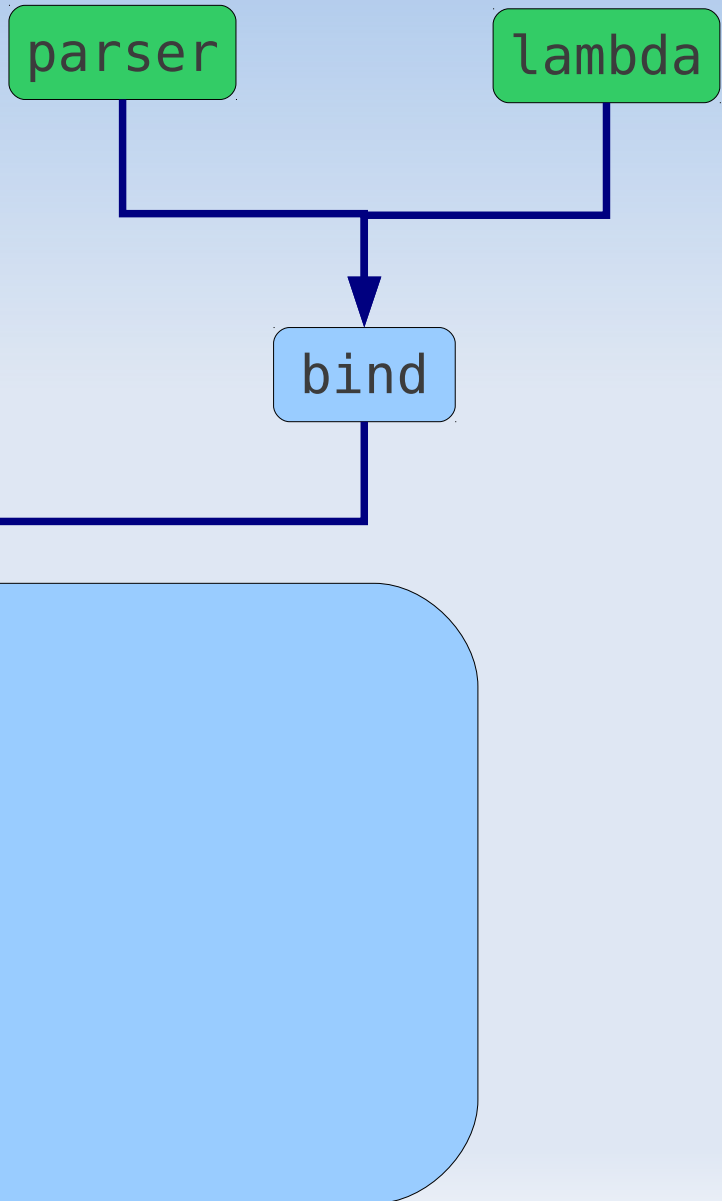


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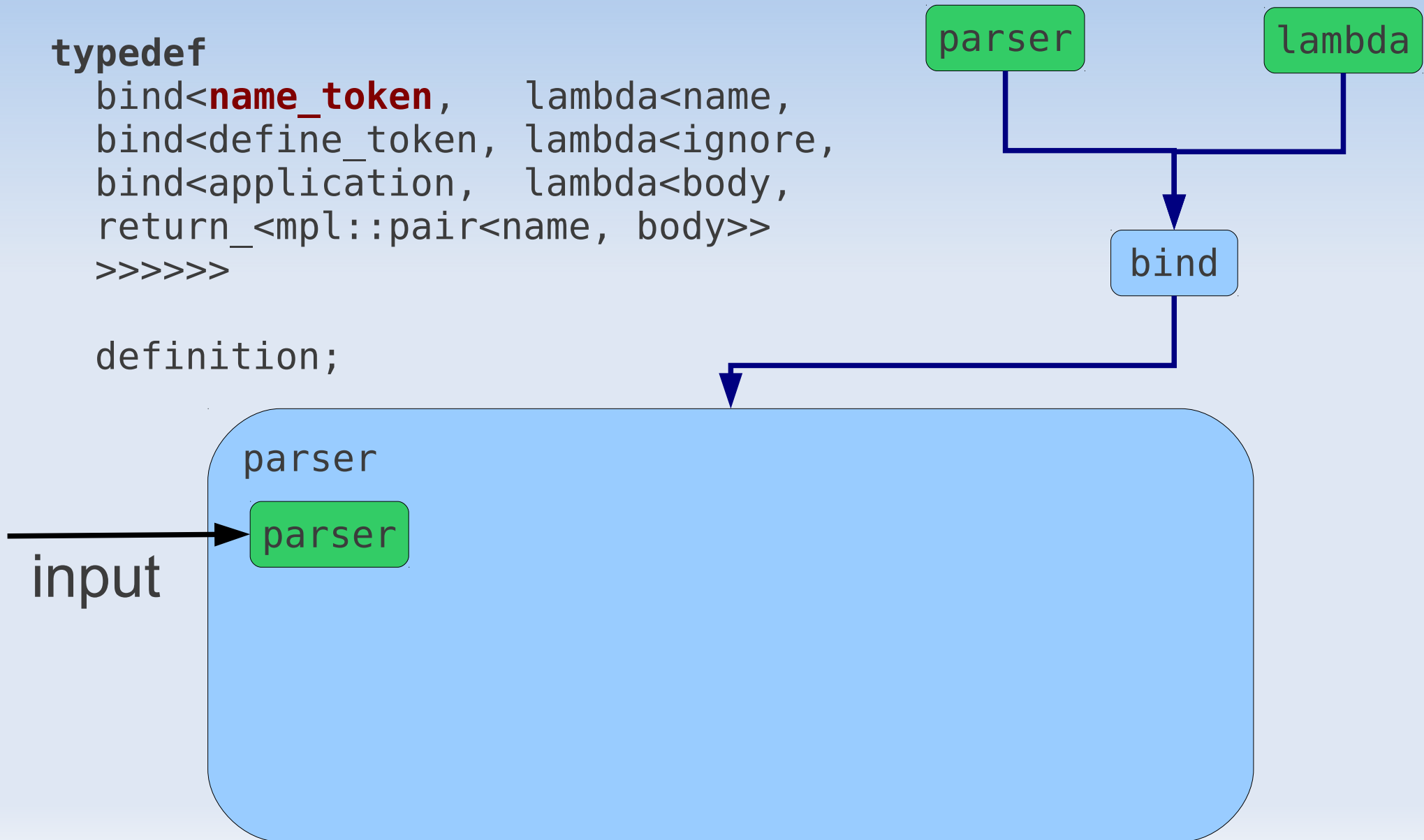


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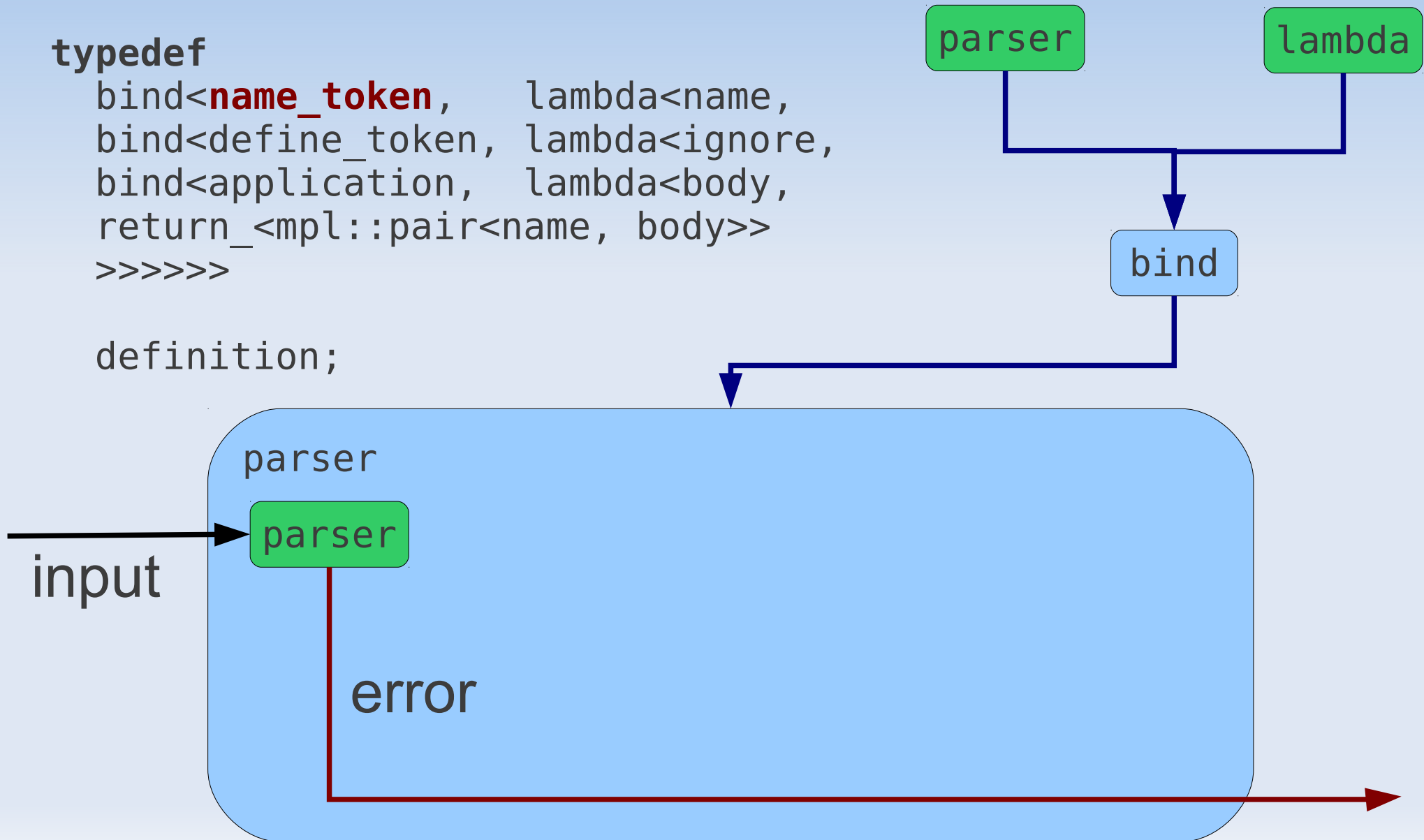


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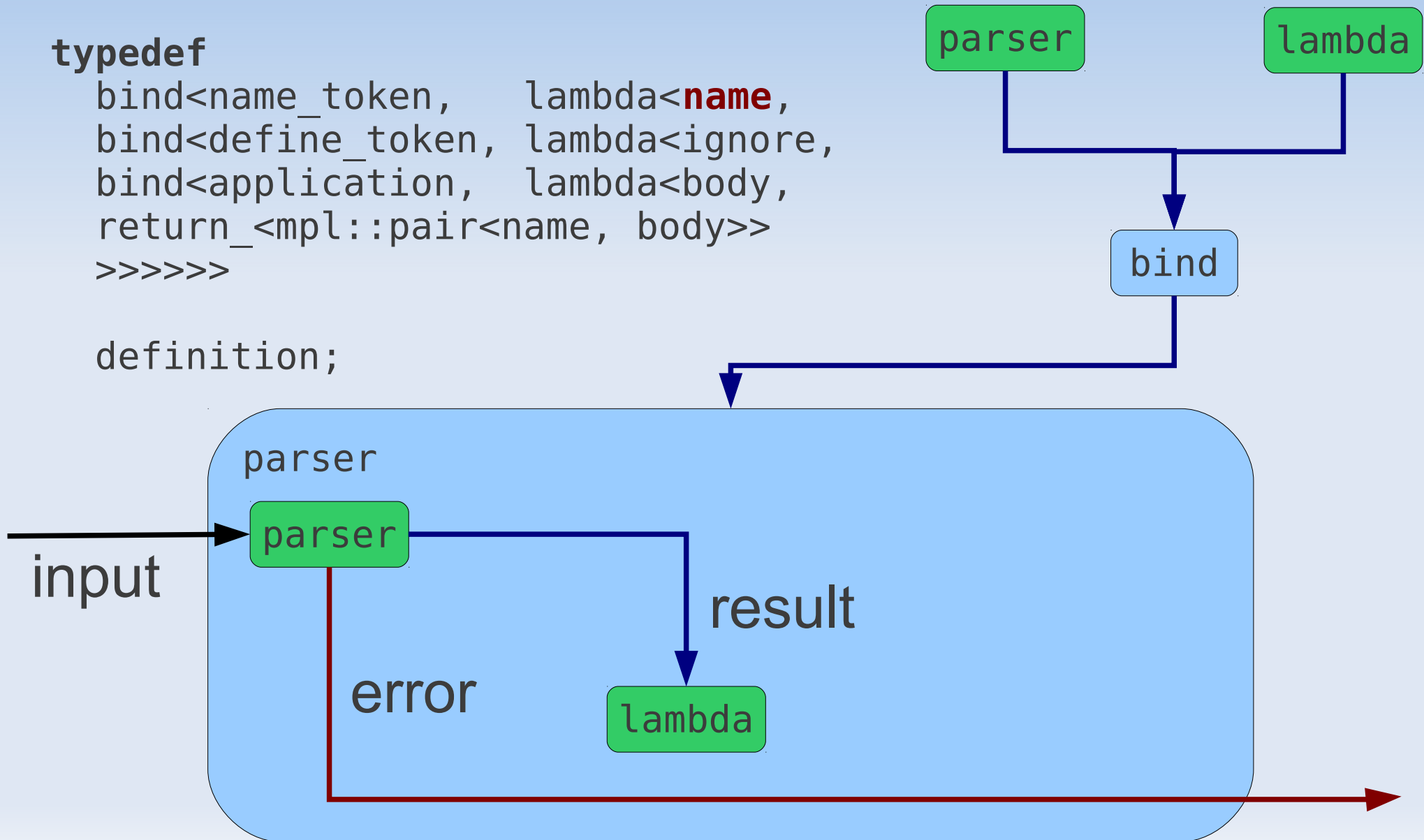


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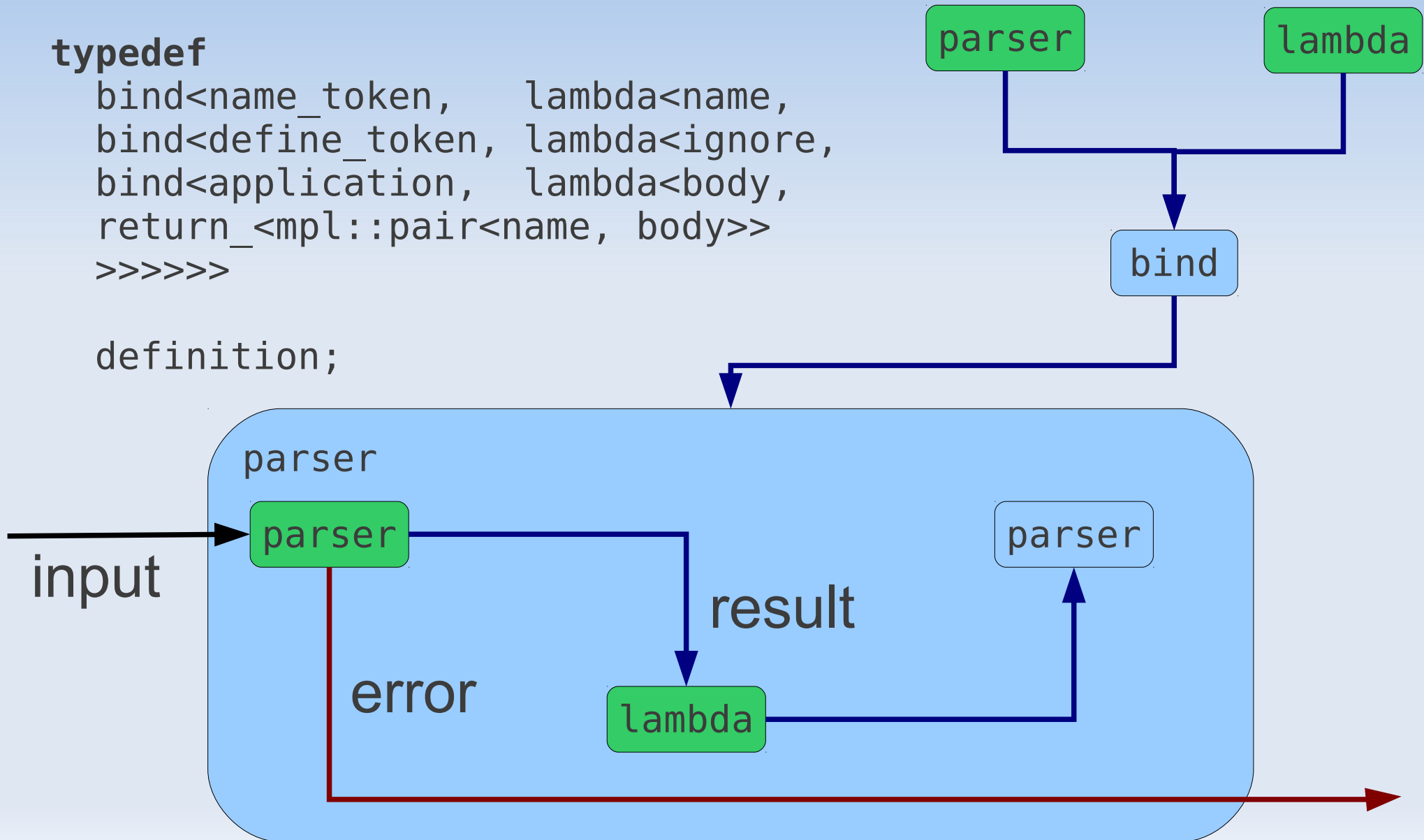


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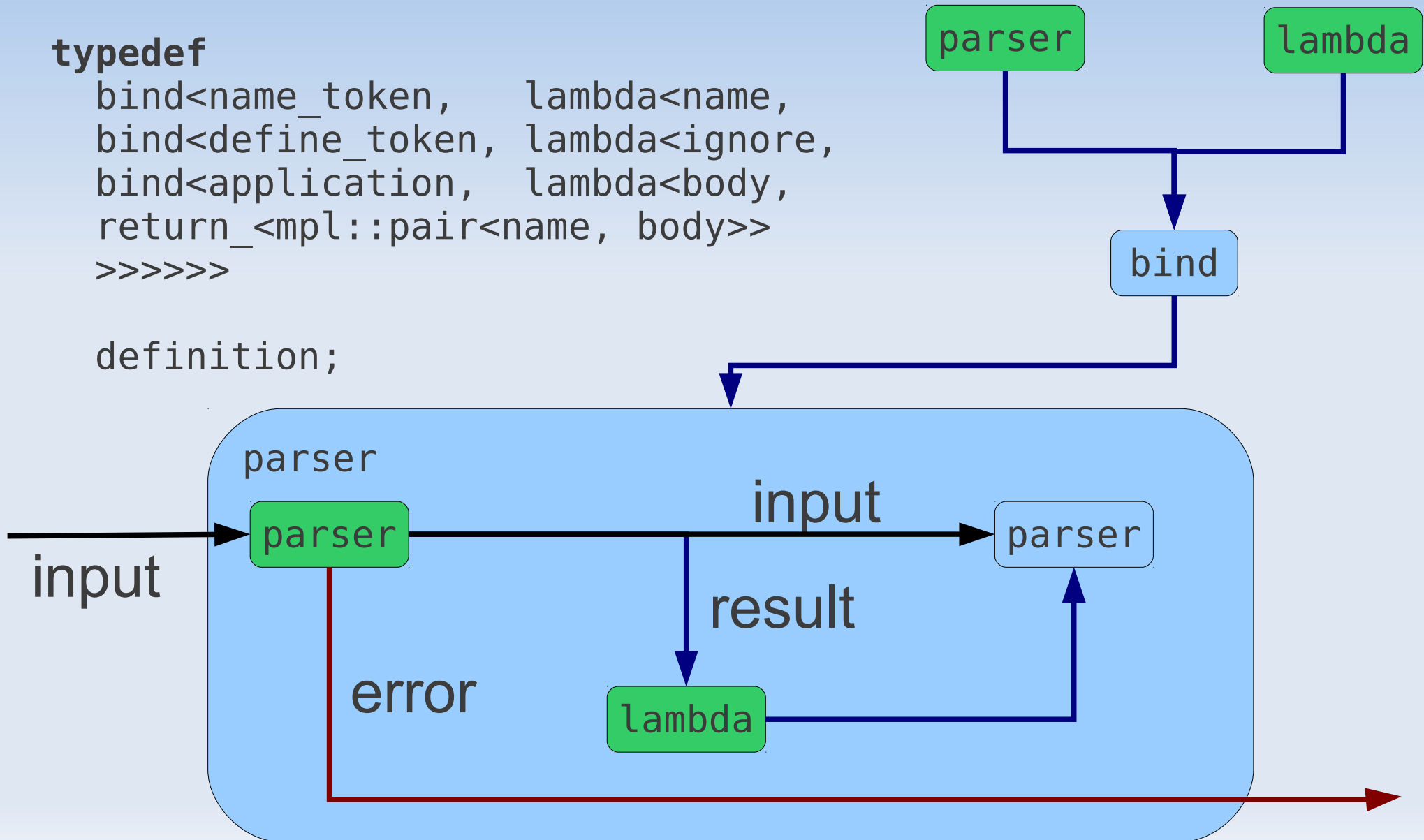


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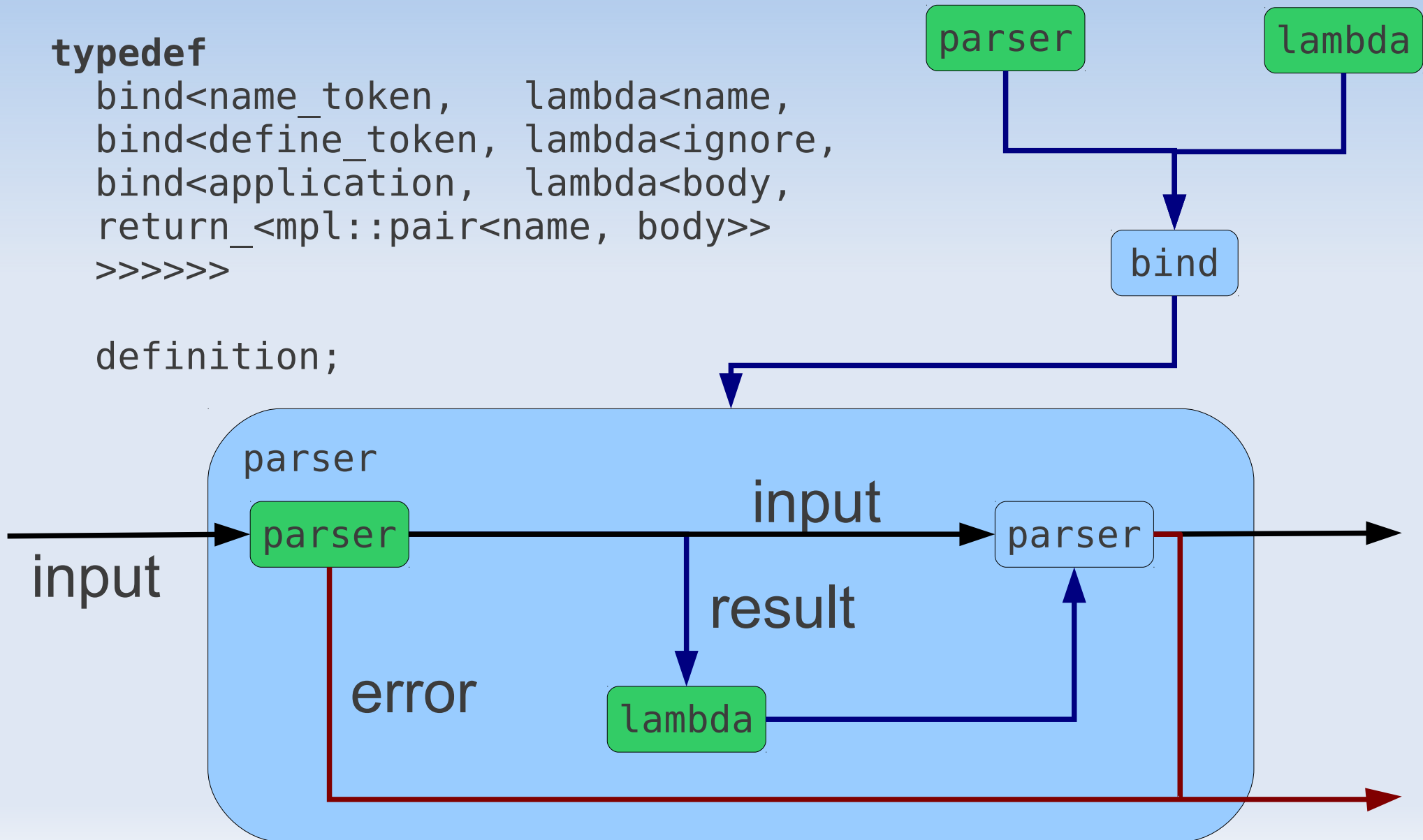


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- Haskell's `do` notation

Do notation

```
typedef do_parser<
    set<name, name_token>,          // name <- name_token
    define_token,
    set<body, application>,         // body <- application

    return_<mpl::pair<name, body>>
>
definition;
```

Summary

- Parsing at compile-time is useful for DSL embedding
- One can parse using template metaprograms
- Metaparse
 - Parser combinators
 - Monadic parsing
- Real world example: DSL for template metaprograms

Q & A

Mpllibs.Metaparse

<http://abel.web.elte.hu/mpllibs>