

```
(timezone "Europe/Paris")
(locale "en_US.utf8")

(bootloader (grub-configuration
  (device "/dev/sda")))
```

```
(mapped-devices (list (mapped-device
  (source "/dev/sda3")
  (target "home")
  (type luks-device-mapping)))
```

Declaratively Yours

Composing system abstractions with GNU Guix

```
(file-systems (cons* (file-system
  (device "root")
  (title 'label)
  (mount-point "/")
  (type "ext3"))
  (file-system
    (device "/dev/nvme0n1p1")
    (mount-point "/home")
    (type "ext3"))))
```

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Desired state and 'idempotency'

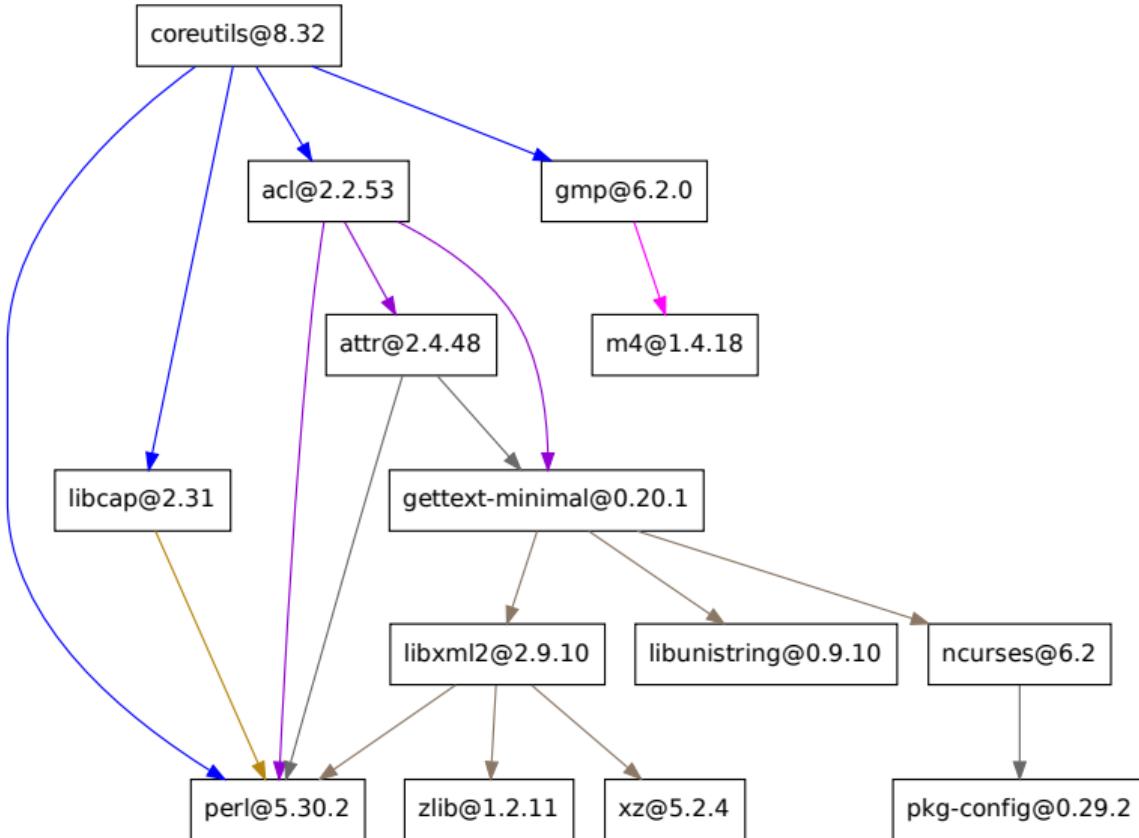
Most Ansible modules check whether the desired final state has already been achieved, and exit without performing any actions if that state has been achieved, so that repeating the task does not change the final state. Modules that behave this way are often called 'idempotent.' Whether you run a playbook once, or multiple times, the outcome should be the same. However, not all playbooks and not all modules behave this way. If you are unsure, test your playbooks in a sandbox environment before running them multiple times in production.

```
{  fetchurl, stdenv } : ← function definition  
stdenv . mkDerivation ← { ← function call  
  name = "hello-2.3";  
  src = fetchurl {  
    url = mirror://gnu/hello/hello-2.3.tar.bz2;  
    sha256 = "0c7vijq8y68...";  
  };  
  
  meta = {  
    description = "Produce a friendly greeting";  
    homepage = http://www.gnu.org/software/hello/;  
    license = "GPLv3+";  
  };  
}
```

Bill of rights:

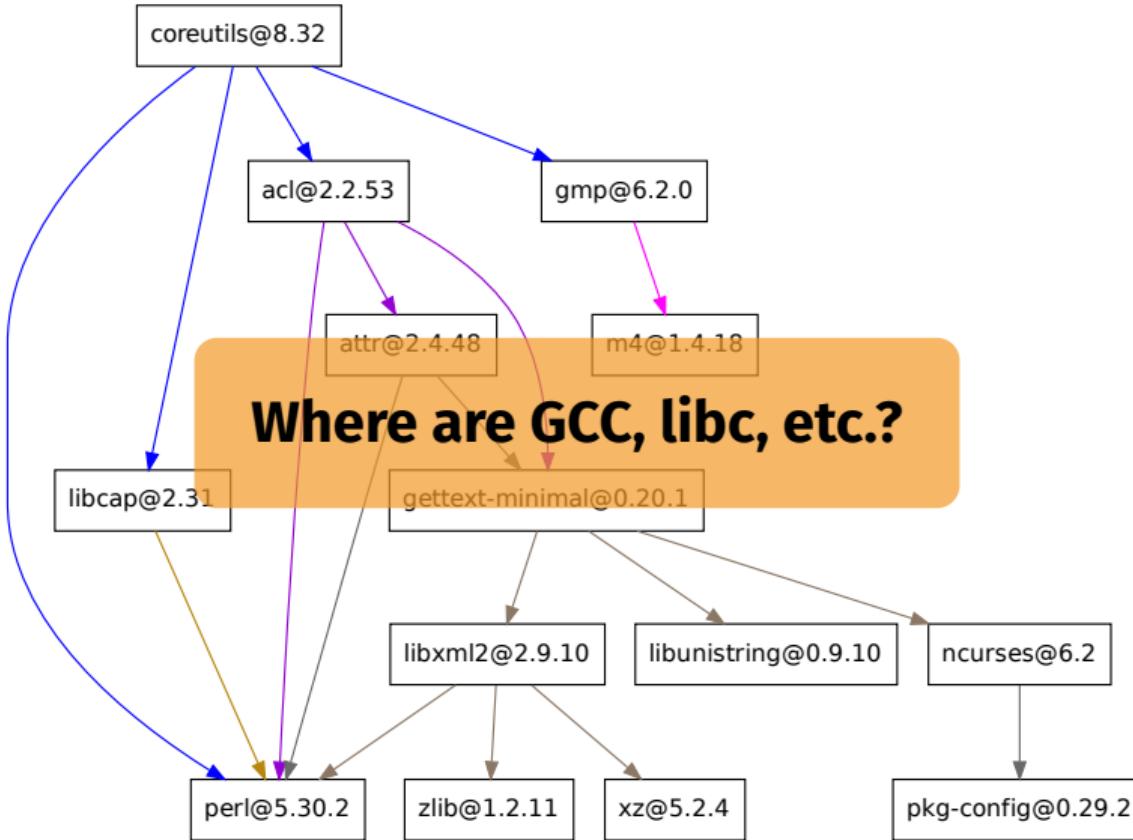
- 1.** What You Declare is What You Get
- 2.** Declarations Bring Structure

The package structure.



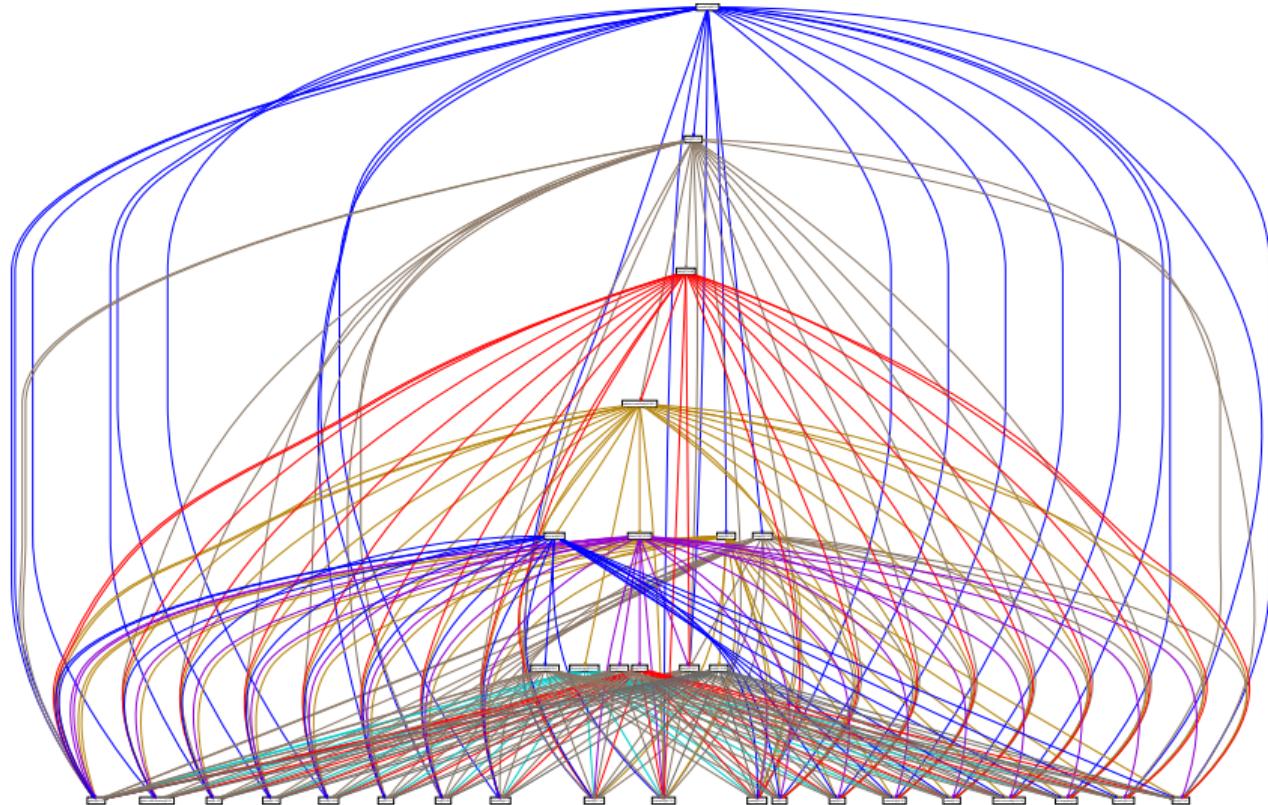
14 nodes

guix graph --type=package coreutils



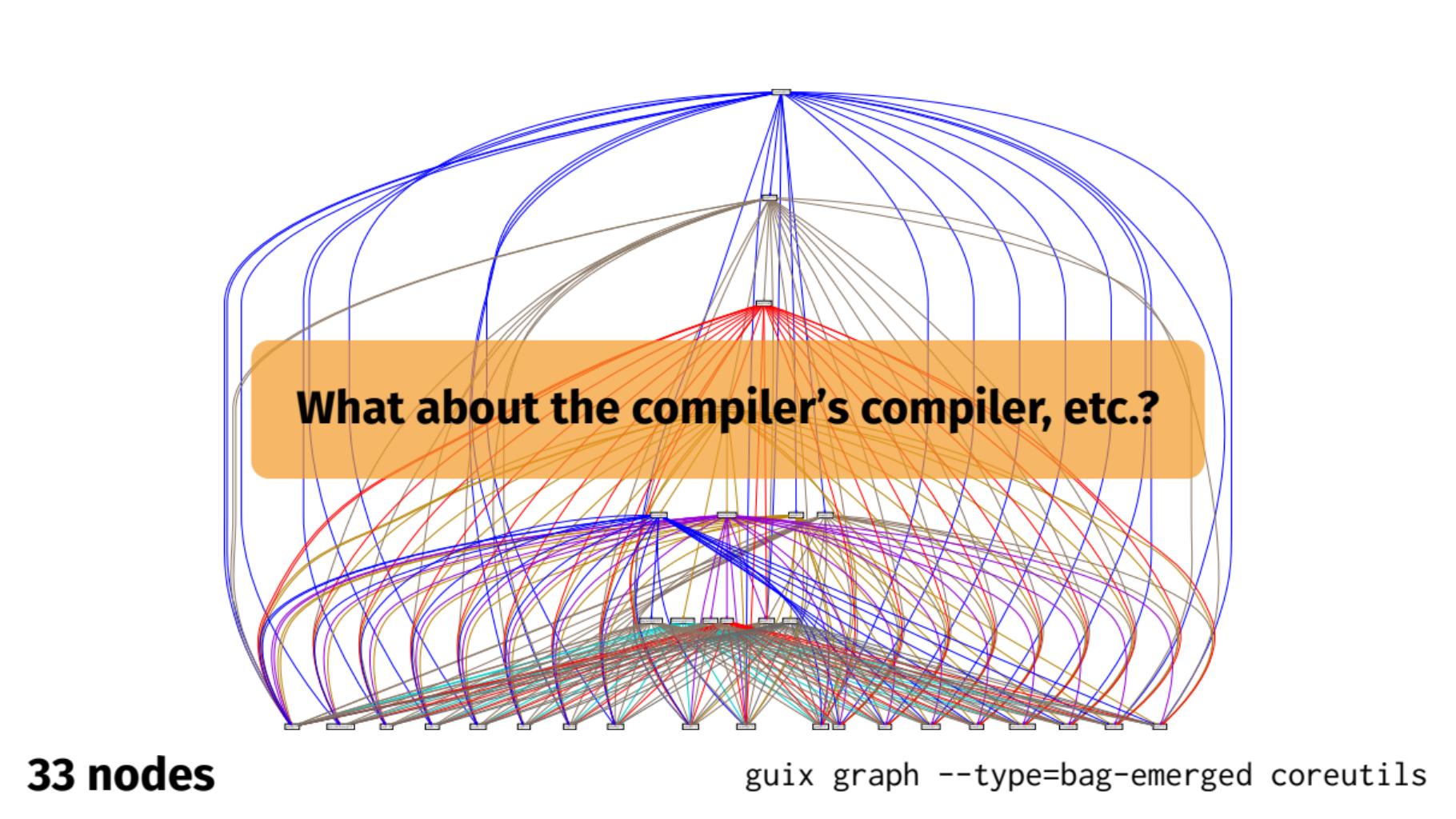
14 nodes

guix graph --type=package coreutils



33 nodes

guix graph --type=bag-emerged coreutils



What about the compiler's compiler, etc.?

33 nodes

guix graph --type=bag-emerged coreutils

(too big)

120 nodes

guix graph --type=bag coreutils

(too big)

455 nodes

guix graph --type=derivation coreutils

```
(define audacity
  (package
    (name "audacity")
    (home-page "https://github.com/audacity/audacity")
    (source (origin
              (method git-fetch)
              (uri (git-reference
                     (url home-page)
                     (commit "2f30ff07a")
                     (recursive? #t))))
              (sha256
                (base32
                  "106rf402cvfdhc2yf..."))))
    ...))
```

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(define audacity
  (package
    (name "audacity")
    (home-page "https://github.com/audacity/audacity")
    (source (origin
              (method git-fetch)
              (uri (git-reference
                     (url home-page)
                     (commit "2f30ff07a")
                     (recursive? #t)))
              (sha256
                (base32
                  "106rf402cvfdhc2yf..."))))
    ...)))
```



Software Heritage



```
guix lint -c archival audacity
```

```
$ guix install gcc-toolchain openmpi hwloc
```

...

hint: Consider setting the necessary environment variables by running:

```
GUIX_PROFILE="$HOME/.guix-profile"  
. "$GUIX_PROFILE/etc/profile"
```

Alternatively, see ‘guix package --search-paths’.

```
(define gcc
  (package
    ;; ...
    (native-search-paths
      (list (search-path-specification
              (variable "C_INCLUDE_PATH")
              (files '("include")))
            (search-path-specification
              (variable "CPLUS_INCLUDE_PATH")
              (files '("include/c++" "include")))
            (search-path-specification
              (variable "LIBRARY_PATH")
              (files '("lib" "lib64")))))))))
```

```
guix pack hwloc \  
  --with-source=./hwloc-2.1rc1.tar.gz
```

```
guix install emacs-next \  
  --with-branch=emacs-next=master
```

```
guix build guix \  
  --with-latest=guile-json
```

- ▶ --with-patch
- ▶ --with-input
- ▶ --with-c-toolchain
- ▶ --with-debug-info
- ▶ --with-graft
- ▶ ...

```
(define (make-glibc-utf8-locales locales)
  (package
    (name "glibc-utf8-locales")
    ...))
```

```
(define glibc-utf8-locales
  (make-glibc-utf8-locales (list "ca_ES.utf8" ...)))
```

```
(define emacs
  (package
    (name "emacs")
    ...))
```

```
(define emacs-no-x
  (package/inherit emacs
    (name "emacs-no-x")
    ...))
```

```
(define emacs-xwidgets
  (package/inherit emacs
    (name "emacs-xwidgets")
    ...))
```

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(define emacs
  (package
    (name "emacs")
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    (name "emacs-xwidgets")
    ...))
```

What if we could declare **package parameters**?

```
(define emacs
  (package
    (name "emacs")
    ...))
```

```
(define emacs-no-x
  (package/inherit emacs
    (name "emacs-no-x")
    ...))
```

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  (package/inherit emacs
    (name "emacs-xwidgets")
    ...))
```

What if we could declare **package parameters**?



WIP!

Package collections.

```
guix package --manifest=my-packages.scm
```

```
(specifications->manifest
  ' ("emacs" "emacs-geiser"
    "guile" "guile-picture-language"))
```

```
guix install emacs
```

```
guix install guile guile-picture-language
```

```
guix install emacs-geiser
```

```
guix install emacs
```

```
guix install guile guile-picture-language  
guix package --export-manifest
```

```
guix install emacs-geiser
```



New!

Systems.

```
(operating-system
  (host-name "guixbox")
  (timezone "Europe/Brussels")
  (locale "fr_BE.utf8")
  (bootloader (bootloader-configuration
    (bootloader grub-efi-bootloader)
    (target "/boot/efi")))
  (file-systems (append (list (file-system
    (device (file-system-label "my-root"))
    (mount-point "/")
    (type "ext4")))
    %base-file-systems))
  (users (append (list (user-account
    (name "charlie")
    (group "users")
    (home-directory "/home/charlie")))
    %base-user-accounts))
  (services (append (list (service dhcp-client-service-type)
    (service openssh-service-type)))
    %base-services)))
```

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    %base-user-accounts)))
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    (service openssh-service-type)))
    %base-services))))
```

guix system **vm** config.scm

```
(operating-system
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  (bootloader (bootloader-configuration
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    %base-user-accounts)))
  (services (append (list (service dhcp-client-service-type)
    (service openssh-service-type)))
    %base-services)))
```

guix system docker-image config.scm

```
(operating-system
  (host-name "guixbox")
  (timezone "Europe/Brussels")
  (locale "fr_BE.utf8")
  (bootloader (bootloader-configuration
    (bootloader grub-efi-bootloader)
    (target "/boot/efi")))
  (file-systems (append (list (file-system
    (device (file-system-label "my-root"))
    (mount-point "/"))
    (%base-file-systems)))
  (users (append (list (user-account
    (name "charlie")
    (group "users")
    (home-directory "/home/charlie")))
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  (services (append (list (service dhcp-client-service-type)
    (service openssh-service-type)))
    (%base-services))))
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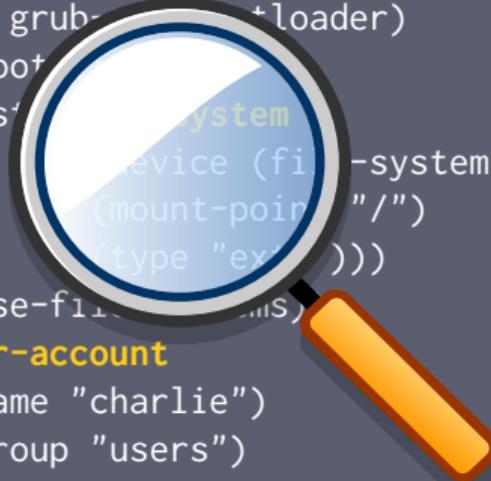
guix system **container** config.scm

```
(operating-system
  (host-name "guixbox")
  (timezone "Europe/Brussels")
  (locale "fr_BE.utf8")
  (bootloader (bootloader-configuration
    (bootloader grub-efi-bootloader)
    (target "/boot/efi")))
  (file-systems (append (list (file-system
    (device (file-system-label "my-root"))
    (mount-point "/")
    (type ext4)))
    %base-file-systems))
  (users (append (list (user-account
    (name "charlie")
    (group "users")
    (home-directory "/home/charlie")))
    %base-user-accounts))
  (services (append (list (service dhcp-client-service-type)
    (service openssh-service-type)))
    %base-services)))
```

guix system **reconfigure** config.scm

(**operating-system**

```
(host-name "guixbox")
(timezone "Europe/Brussels")
(locale "fr_BE.utf8")
(bootloader (bootloader-configuration
  (bootloader grub-bootloader)
  (target "/boot"))
(file-systems (append (list (%base-file-systems)
  (file-system
    (device (file-system-label "my-root"))
    (mount-point "/")
    (type "ext4")))))
  %base-file-systems))
(users (append (list (user-account
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  (group "users")
  (home-directory "/home/charlie")))
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```





<https://notabug.org/civodul/guix-explorer>

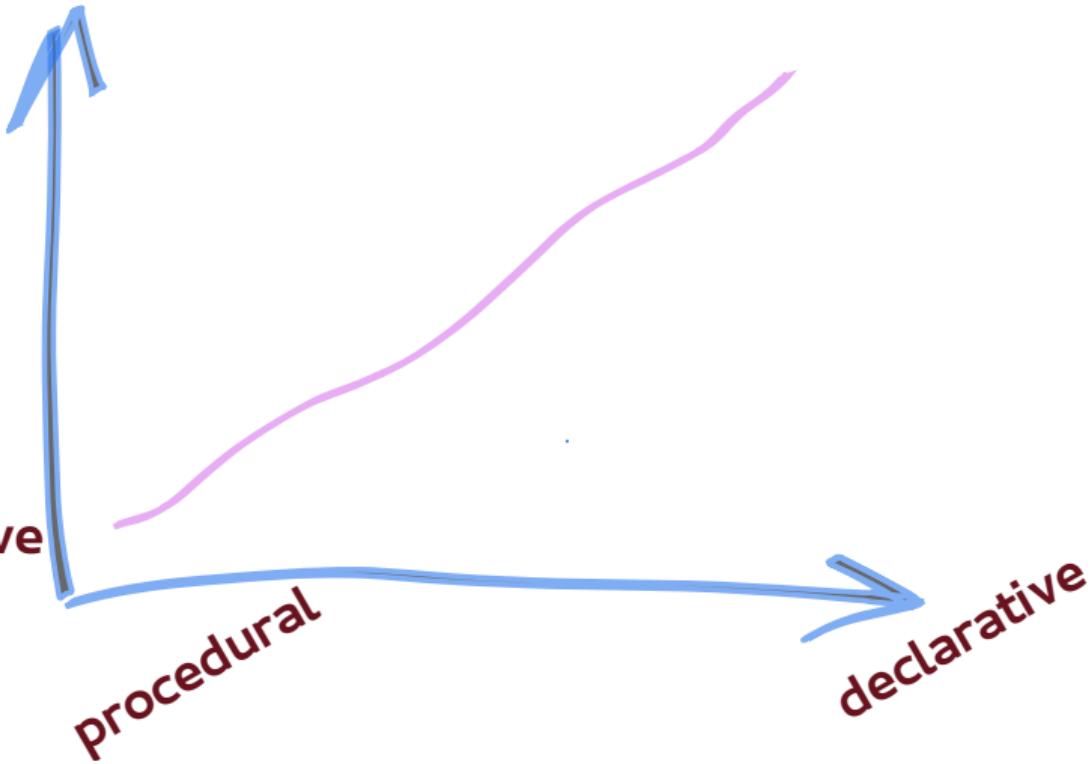
Wrap-up.

structured

expressive

procedural

declarative





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