jmansion wrote on Tue, 25 April 2006 09:19
You must type a lot faster than I do then.
I can't believe that anyone would argue that parser creation isn't a whole lot faster with a good generator tool

Just for reference, I am speaking about code like this:

http://upp.sourceforge.net/reference$CParser.html

Quote:
I'd rather have a formal grammar specification and a tool that can warn me of ambiguities.

Not least, it also makes it easier to create alternate implementations in other languages.

I guess above two points are quite valid - I have to agree with those advantages.

Quote:
Its certainly the case that a hand-written parser can be faster and have better diagnostics support, if you work hard enough at it.

Couriously, I always thought that the only problem of my hand-written parsers is somewhat worse perfomance compared to generated ones

Mirek