Class 15: Homogeneous Lists: Making and Manipulating Groups of Drawings

Held: Wednesday, February 17, 2010

Summary: Today we explore Scheme's *list* data structure and some ways to use lists to make interesting images.

Related Pages:

- EBoard.
- Lab: Making and Manipulating Lists of Drawings.
- Reading: Making and Manipulating Homogeneous Lists.
- Due: Exam 1: Scheme and Image Basics.

Notes:

- Reading for Friday: Anonymous Procedures.
- EC for Rosenfield symposium. Thursday's convo sounds particularly interesting.
- Sorry that I can't be in class with you today. I know Nora will do a great job.

Overview:

- Context: What and Why Lists?
- Building Lists.
- Mapping Lists.
- Other List Operations.

Context: What Are Lists?

- Issue: We'd like to make images with lots and lots of similar shapes.
- Problem: How to do so systematically.
- Solution: Scheme's list data structure and some related procedures.

Building Lists

- (list val1 val2 ... valn)
- (make-list n value)
- (iota n)

Mapping Lists

- Basic operation: (map func 1st)>. Apply a function to each element of a list.
- For images, we'll find it easier to do something like (map drawing-transform list-of-drawings list-of-values)

Other List Operations

- (append lst1 lst2) join two lists
- (reverse 1st) just what it sounds like
- (list-take lst n) take the first n elements of a list
- (list-drop lst n) drop the first elements of a list

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