

CS450_(section 2)

High Level Languages

UMass Boston Computer Science

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Logistics

- HW 0 in
 - ~~due: Sun 9/17 11:59 pm EST~~
- HW 1 out
 - due: Sun 9/24 11:59 pm EST
- Do not send hw questions by email! (I wont see it)
 - Post to piazza (use private or anonymous if unsure) (I may change)
 - Makes it easier for me to check one place
- **“Why is the autograder erroring?”**
 - Ask for help before you get to this point!
 - Must test code independently of gradescope
 - Don’t submit until HW is complete
- Course web site:
 - Added Design Recipe section
 - Lecture code (see lecture03.rkt) may occasionally be posted

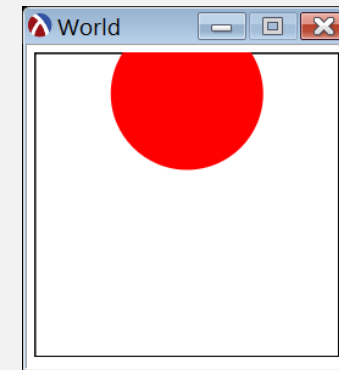


Design Recipe Intro: Data Design

Create **Data Definitions**

- Describes the types of data that the program operates on
- Has 3 parts:
 1. A defined **Name**
 2. Description of **all possible values** of the data
 3. An **Interpretation** explains the real world concepts the data represents

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;; Interp: Represents the y Coordinate of the center of a  
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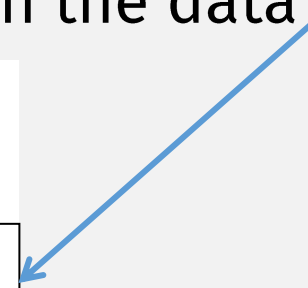
Design Recipe, Step 1: Data Design

Create **Data Definitions**

- Describes the types of data that the program operates on
- Has **3-4** parts:
 1. A defined **Name**
 2. Description of **all possible values** of the data
 3. An **Interpretation** explains the real world concepts the data represents
 - ➔ 4. A **predicate** returns true if a given value is in the data definition

```
;; A WorldState is a Non-negative Integer  
;; Interp: Represents the y Coordinate of the center of a  
;;          ball in a `big-bang` animation.
```

```
(define (WorldState? x)  
  (exact-nonnegative-integer? x))
```

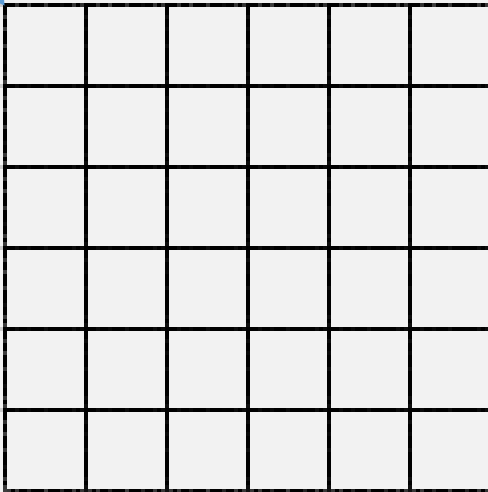


Interlude: htdp universe coordinates

(0,0)

x coordinate

y coordinate



```
(place-image image x y scene) → image?
```

procedure

```
image : image?  
x : real?  
y : real?  
scene : image?
```

Places *image* onto *scene* with its center at the coordinates (x,y) and crops the resulting image so that it has the same size as *scene*. The coordinates are relative to the top-left of *scene*.

```
(circle radius mode color) → image?  
radius : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))  
mode : mode?  
color : image-color?
```

```
(square side-len mode color) → image?  
side-len : (and/c real? (not/c negative?))  
mode : mode?  
color : image-color?
```

```
(place-image  
  (circle 10 "solid" "red")  
  0 0  
  (square 40 "solid" "yellow"))
```

???

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Design Recipe

- 1. Data Design**
- 2. Function Design**

*Last
Time*


Designing Functions

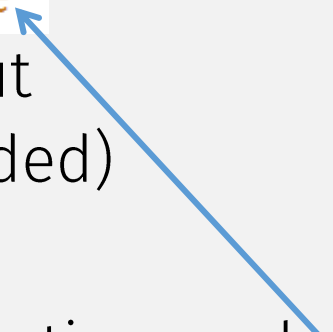

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3. **Description**
4. **Examples**
5. **Code**
6. **Tests**

Designing Functions

1. **Name**
2. **Signature** – types of the function input(s) and output
 - Use Data Definitions (or **create new data defs**, if needed)
3. **Description** – explain (in English prose) how the function works
4. **Examples** – show (using `rackunit`) how the function works
5. **Code** – implement how the function works
6. **Tests** – check (using `rackunit`) that the function works

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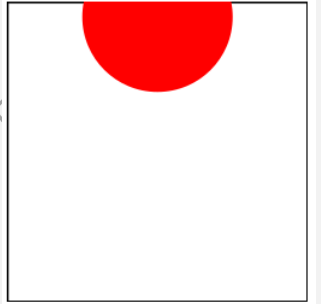
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```
;; render: WorldState -> Image
```
2. **Signature** – types of the function input(s) and output
 - Use Data Definitions (or **create new data defs**, if needed)

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;; Draws a WorldState as a 2htdp/image Image
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4. **Examples** – show (using `rackunit`) how the function works
 - (put with function definition)
5. **Code** – implement how the function works



FAQ: What about “error-checking”?

```
(define (render w)
  (place-image
    BALL-IMG
    BALL-X w
    EMPTY-SCENE))
```

```
(check-equal?
  (render INITIAL-WORLDSTATE)
  (place-image
    BALL-IMG
    BALL-X INITIAL-WORLDSTATE
    EMPTY-SCENE))
```



6. **Tests** – check (using `rackunit`) that the function works
- Examples come before (and help to write) Code!**


Designing Functions

This declares that the function cannot be given a non-WorldState argument!

... but we can make it more robust

1. **Name** `;; render: WorldState -> Image`
`;; Draws a WorldState as a 2htdp/image Image`
2. **Signature** – types of the function input(s) and output
 - Use Data Definitions (or create new data defs, if needed)

The Signature is error-checking

3. **Description** – explain (in English) how the function works
`> (render "bad arg")`
 `place-image: expects a real number as third argument, given "bad arg"`

It's the user's fault if they call the function incorrectly

4. **Examples** – show (using rackunit) how the function works
BUT: This is a bad error message because ...

5. **Code** – implement how the function works
... it reveals internal details that the user doesn't (and shouldn't have to) know about

FAQ: What about “error-checking”?

6. **Tests** – check (using rackunit) that the function works

More Robust Signatures

1. **Name** `;; render: WorldState -> Image`
`;; Draws a WorldState as an Image`
2. **Signature** – types of the function inputs, outputs

- Use Data Definitions (or create new data definitions)
- Use define/contract and predicates!

NOTE:


Different languages have different “signature” or “error handling” mechanisms

- Contracts
- Types
- Asserts
- Try-Catch-Throw

But the **Design Recipe** is language-agnostic

3. **Description** – explain (in English) what the function does
- It can be used no matter what language you're programming in

Function contract

4. `> (render "bad arg")`
 `render: contract violation`
`expected: WorldState?`
`given: "bad arg"`
5. `in: the 1st argument of`
`(-> WorldState? image?)`
`contract from: (function render)`
6. `blaming: C:\Users\stchang\Documents\teaching\CS450\Fall23\Lecture04.rkt`
`(assuming the contract is correct)`
`at: C:\Users\stchang\Documents\teaching\CS450\Fall23\Lecture04.rkt:37:18`

Good error message:
precise, and no
internal details!

```
(define/contract (render w)
  (-> WorldState? image?)
  (place-image
   BALL-IMG
   BALL-X w
   EMPTY-SCENE))
```

Designing Functions

1. **Name**
2. **Signature** – types of the function input(s) and output
 - Use Data Definitions (or **create new data defs**, if needed)
 - Use **define/contract** and **predicates**!
3. **Description** – explain (in English prose) how the function works
4. **Examples** – show (using **rackunit**) how the function works
5. **Code** – implement how the function works
6. **Tests** – check (using **rackunit**) that the function works
 - put in separate test-suite (file)

Homework Testing

All HW submissions must include `tests.rkt`, which:

- requires the hw code file, e.g., `hw0.rkt`
- defines a rackunit test-suite called `TESTS`
- `provide TESTS`
- includes sufficient test-cases (from the **Design Recipe**) for every hw function definition
- runs without error!

hw0-start / tests.rkt

```
1  #lang racket
2
3  (require rackunit
4    "hw0.rkt")
5
6  (provide TESTS)
7
8  (define TESTS
9    (test-suite
10     "hw0 test suite"
11
12     ;; (test-case
13     ;;   "Exercise 11: distance function"
14     ;;   (check-equal? (exercise11 5 12) 13))
15
16     ;; (test-case
17     ;;   "Exercise 12: cvolume"
18     ;;   (check-equal? (cvolume 10) 1000))
19     ))
20
21 (module+ main
22   (require rackunit/text-ui)
23   (run-tests TESTS 'verbose))
```

Used by
autograder

(See **rackunit** docs for
more testing functions)

Used for your
own testing

In-class Programming

- Get HW0 working
- Add test-suite to HW0
 - 2 per function
 - I might run against other submissions and award bonus pts
- Start HW1

Check-In Quiz 9/18 on gradescope

(due 1 minute before midnight)