

The Guess-My-Number Game ¹

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In this game, you pick a number from 1 to 100, and the computer has to guess it.

Outline

- 1 $\langle \text{guess } 1 \rangle \equiv$
 $\langle (\text{Re})\text{set the global state } 2 \rangle$

 $\langle \text{Define the guess-my-number function } 3 \rangle$

 $\langle \text{Define the smaller function } 6 \rangle$

 $\langle \text{Define the bigger function } 9 \rangle$

 $\langle \text{Define the start-over function } 12 \rangle$

Defining the Small and Big Variables

- 2 $\langle (\text{Re})\text{set the global state } 2 \rangle \equiv$ (1)
 $(\text{defparameter } *small* 1)$
 $(\text{defparameter } *big* 100)$

Defining the Guess-My-Number Function

- 3 $\langle \text{Define the guess-my-number function } 3 \rangle \equiv$ (1)
 $(\text{defun guess-my-number } ())$
 $\langle \text{Halve the sum of the limits and shorten the result } 4 \rangle$
- 4 $\langle \text{Halve the sum of the limits and shorten the result } 4 \rangle \equiv$ (3)
 $(\text{ash } (+ *small* *big*) -1)$
- 5 $\langle \text{Have the computer guess a number } 5 \rangle \equiv$ (6 8 9 11 12)
 (guess-my-number)

Defining the Smaller and Bigger Functions

- 6 $\langle \text{Define the smaller function } 6 \rangle \equiv$ (1)
 $(\text{defun smaller } ())$
 $\langle \text{Set } *big* \text{ to one less than the last guess } 7 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Have the computer guess a number } 5 \rangle$
- 7 $\langle \text{Set } *big* \text{ to one less than the last guess } 7 \rangle \equiv$ (6)
 $(\text{setf } *big* \langle \text{Subtract one from the most recent guess } 8 \rangle)$

- 8 $\langle \text{Subtract one from the most recent guess } 8 \rangle \equiv$ (7)
 $(1- \langle \text{Have the computer guess a number } 5 \rangle)$
- 9 $\langle \text{Define the bigger function } 9 \rangle \equiv$ (1)
 $(\text{defun bigger } ()$
 $\langle \text{Set *small* to one greater than the last guess } 10 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Have the computer guess a number } 5 \rangle)$
- 10 $\langle \text{Set *small* to one greater than the last guess } 10 \rangle \equiv$ (9)
 $(\text{setq *small* } \langle \text{Add one to the most recent guess } 11 \rangle)$
- 11 $\langle \text{Add one to the most recent guess } 11 \rangle \equiv$ (10)
 $(1+ \langle \text{Have the computer guess a number } 5 \rangle)$

Defining the Start-Over Function

- 12 $\langle \text{Define the start-over function } 12 \rangle \equiv$ (1)
 $(\text{defun start-over } ()$
 $\langle \text{(Re)set the global state} \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Have the computer guess a number } 5 \rangle)$

Chunks

$\langle \text{(Re)set the global state } 2 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Add one to the most recent guess } 11 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Define the bigger function } 9 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Define the guess-my-number function } 3 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Define the smaller function } 6 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Define the start-over function } 12 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{guess } 1 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Halve the sum of the limits and shorten the result } 4 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Have the computer guess a number } 5 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Set *big* to one less than the last guess } 7 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Set *small* to one greater than the last guess } 10 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{Subtract one from the most recent guess } 8 \rangle$

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