

Third Racket Programming Assignment Solution

Learning Abstract:

In the first task of this Racket assignment, I learned how to implement the ten functions of historical lisp (quote, eval, car, cdr, cons, eq, atom, lambda, define and cond) in Racket to get a better understanding of how these functions work. In the second task, I learned about some list processing within Lisp by using some of the functions from the first task such as car, cdr, define, etc., as well as some new functions such as append and list-ref. Finally, the third and fourth tasks focused mainly on creating lists as well as finding random or specific elements in the lists all while using functions mentioned above.

Task 1 - Historical Lisp

Parroting Racket interactions and definitions from “Lesson 7: Historical Lisp”.

> Quote and Eval


Interactions - Constants 9 and “red” and 'red

```
> 9
9
> "red"
"red"
> 'red
'red
> |
```

Interactions - Variants of the quote special form

```
> ( quote red )
'red
> 'red
'red
>
```


Interactions - Illustrating the “unbound variable” error

```
> red
 red: undefined;
cannot reference an identifier before its definition
> ( quote red )
'red
> |
```

Interactions - Examples of standard form evaluation

```
> ( + 3 4 )
7
> ( + ( / 3 1 ) ( * 2 2 ) )
7
> ( + 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 )
55
> ( / ( * 10 ( + 10 1 ) ) 2 )
55
>
```

Interactions - Illustrating the “unbound function” error

```
> ( red yellow blue )
 red: undefined;
cannot reference an identifier before its definition
>
```

> Car, Cdr and Cons

Interactions - Examples of the car function

```
> ( car '( apple peach cherry ) )
'apple
> ( car '( ( lisp 1959 ) ( prolog 1971 ) ( haskell 1990 ) ) )
'(lisp 1959)
> |
```

Interactions - Examples of the cdr function

```
> ( cdr '( apple peach cherry ) )
'(peach cherry)
> ( cdr '( ( lisp 1959 ) ( prolog 1971 ) ( haskell 1990 ) ) )
'((prolog 1971) (haskell 1990))
> |
```

Interactions - Examples of the cons function

```
> ( cons 'apple '( peach cherry ) )
'(apple peach cherry)
> ( cons '( lisp 1959 ) '( ( prolog 1971 ) ( haskell 1990 ) ) )
'((lisp 1959) (prolog 1971) (haskell 1990))
> |
```

> Eq and Atom

Interactions - Examples of the eq? function

```
> ( eq? 'a 'b )
#f
> ( eq? 'a 'a )
#t
>
```

Interactions - Examples of the atom? function

```
> ( define ( atom? x ) ( not ( or ( pair? x ) ( null? x ) ) ) )
> ( atom? 'a )
#t
> ( atom? '( a b c ) )
#f
> ( atom? 4 )
#t
> ( atom? '( a . b ) )
#f
>
```

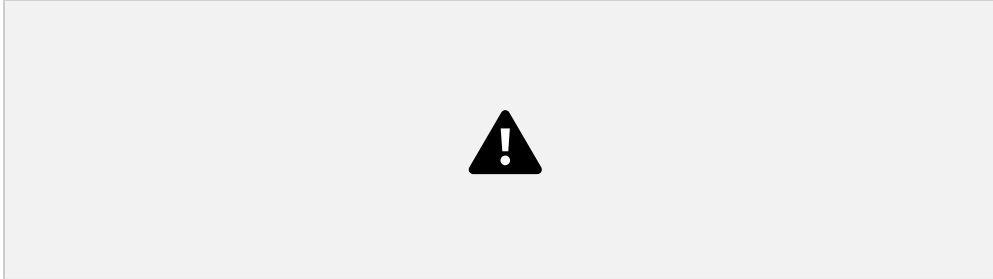
> Lambda

Interactions - Interactions featuring lambda function application

```
> ( ( lambda ( x ) ( * x x ) ) 5 )
25
> ( ( lambda ( x ) ( * x x ) ) 9 )
81
> ( ( lambda ( x y ) ( cons x ( cons x ( cons y ( cons y '() ) ) ) ) ) 1 2 )
'(1 1 2 2)
> ( ( lambda ( x y ) ( cons x ( cons x ( cons y ( cons y '() ) ) ) ) ) 'hey 'now )
'(hey hey now now)
> ( ( lambda ( a b c )
      ( define s ( / ( + a b c ) 2.0 ) )
      ( * s ( - s a ) ( - s b ) ( - s c ) )
    )
  3 4 5
)
36.0
>
```

> Define

Definitions - Defining four items, two variables and two functions



Interactions - Referencing the two variables and applying the two functions

```
> lisp-born
1959
> favorite-pies
'(cherry peach apple)
> ( square 5 )
25
> ( square 11 )
121
> ( seeing-double 'meow 'woof )
'(meow meow woof woof)
> ( seeing-double 'oh 'no )
'(oh oh no no)
>
```

Definitions - Redefining the two functions

```
( define square ( lambda ( x ) ( * x x ) ) )

( define ( seeing-double x y )
  ( cons x ( cons x ( cons y ( cons y '() ) ) ) )
)
```

Interactions - Illustrating the application of these functions

```
> ( square 4 )
16
> ( square 8 )
64
> ( seeing-double 'flower 'petal )
'(flower flower petal petal)
> ( seeing-double 'fuzzy 'cat )
'(fuzzy fuzzy cat cat)
>
```

Definitions - Defining the area-of-circle function

```
( define ( square x ) ( * x x ) )

( define ( area-of-circle diameter )
  ( define radius ( / diameter 2 ) )
  ( define radius-squared ( square radius ) )
  ( define the-area ( * pi radius-squared ) )
  the-area
)
```

Interactions - Testing the area-of-circle function

```
> ( area-of-circle 20 )
314.1592653589793
> |
```

> Cond

Definitions - Defining the rgb, determine, and got-milk? functions

```
( define ( rgb color-name )
  ( cond
    ( ( eq? color-name 'red )
      '( 255 0 0 )
    )
    ( ( eq? color-name 'green )
      '( 0 255 0 )
    )
    ( ( eq? color-name 'blue )
      '( 0 0 255 )
    )
    ( ( eq? color-name 'purple )
      '( 106 13 173 )
    )
    ( ( eq? color-name 'yellow )
      '( 255 255 0 )
    )
    ( else
      'unknown-color-name
    )
  )
)

( define ( determine operator operand )
  ( cond
    ( ( eq? operator 'difference )
      ( define maximum ( max ( car operand ) ( cadr operand ) ( caddr operand ) ) )
      ( define minimum ( min ( car operand ) ( cadr operand ) ( caddr operand ) ) )
      ( - maximum minimum )
    )
    ( ( eq? operator 'average )
      ( define sum ( + ( car operand ) ( cadr operand ) ( caddr operand ) ) )
      ( / sum ( length operand ) )
    )
  )
)

( define ( got-milk? list )
  ( cond
    ( ( null? list ) #f )
    ( ( eq? 'milk ( car list ) ) #t )
    ( else ( got-milk? ( cdr list ) ) )
  )
)
```

Task 2 - References and Constructors

Parroting Racket interactions and definitions from “Lesson 8: Basic List Processing” that pertain expressly to referencers and constructors.

> Racket Session featuring CAR, CDR and CONS

Interactions - Applying CAR, CDR and CONS

```
> ( car '( red green blue ) )
'red
> ( cdr '( red green blue ) )
'(green blue)
> ( car '( ( 1 3 5 ) seven nine ) )
'(1 3 5)
> ( cdr '( ( 1 3 5 ) seven nine ) )
'(seven nine)
> ( car '( "Desde El Alma" ) )
"Desde El Alma"
> ( cdr '( "Desde El Alma" ) )
'()
> ( cons 'ESPRESSO '( LATTE CAPPUCCINO ) )
'(ESPRESSO LATTE CAPPUCCINO)
> ( cons '( a b c ) '( 1 2 3 ) )
'((a b c) 1 2 3)
> ( cons 'SYMBOL '() )
'(SYMBOL)
>
```

> Referencing a list element

Interactions - Referencing a list element from scratch

```
> ( define animals '( ant bat cat dog eel ) )
> ( define questions '( who what when where why ) )
> animals
'(ant bat cat dog eel)
> questions
'(who what when where why)
> ( car ( cdr ( cdr ( cdr animals ) ) ) ) )
'dog
> ( car ( cdr ( cdr ( cdr questions ) ) ) ) )
'where
> |
```

Interactions - Referencing a list element from using list-ref

```
> ( define animals '( ant bat cat dog eel ) )
> ( define questions '( who what when where why ) )
> animals
'(ant bat cat dog eel)
> questions
'(who what when where why)
> ( list-ref animals 3 )
'dog
> ( list-ref questions 3 )
'where
>
```

> Creating a list

Interactions - Creating a list from scratch

```
> ( define a ( random 10 ) )
> ( define b ( random 10 ) )
> ( define c ( random 10 ) )
> ( cons a ( cons b ( cons c '() ) ) )
'(3 1 5)
```

Interactions - Creating a list using list

```
> ( define a ( random 10 ) )
> ( define b ( random 10 ) )
> ( define c ( random 10 ) )
> ( list a b c )
'(1 9 1)
>
```

> Appending one list to another list

Interactions - Appending two lists from scratch

```
> ( define x '( one fish ) )
> ( define y '( two fish ) )
> x
'(one fish)
> y
'(two fish)
> ( cons ( car x ) ( cons ( car ( cdr x ) ) y ) )
'(one fish two fish)
>
```

Interactions - Appending two lists using append

```
> ( define x '( one fish ) )
> ( define y '( two fish ) )
> x
'(one fish)
> y
'(two fish)
> ( append x y )
'(one fish two fish)
> |
```

> Redacted Racket Session Featuring Referencers and Constructors

Interactions - Mindfully doing the redacted session, for real

```
> ( define languages '( racket prolog haskell rust ) )
> languages
'(racket prolog haskell rust)
> 'languages
'languages
> ( quote languages )
'languages
> ( car languages )
'racket
> ( cdr languages )
'(prolog haskell rust)
> ( car ( cdr languages ) )
'prolog
> ( cdr ( cdr languages ) )
'(haskell rust)
> ( cadr languages )
'prolog
> ( caddr languages )
'(haskell rust)
> ( first languages )
'racket
> ( second languages )
'prolog
> ( third languages )
'haskell
> ( list-ref languages 2 )
'haskell
> ( define numbers '( 1 2 3 ) )
> ( define letters '( a b c ) )
> ( cons numbers letters )
'((1 2 3) a b c)
> ( list numbers letters )
'((1 2 3) (a b c))
> ( append numbers letters )
'(1 2 3 a b c)
> ( define animals '( ant bat cat dog eel ) )
> ( car ( cdr ( cdr ( cdr animals ) ) ) )
'dog
> ( caddr animals )
'dog
> ( list-ref animals 3 )
'dog
> ( define a 'apple )
> ( define b 'peach )
> ( define c 'cherry )
> ( cons a ( cons b ( cons c '() ) ) )
'(apple peach cherry)
> ( list a b c )
'(apple peach cherry)
> ( define x '( one fish ) )
> ( define y '( two fish ) )
> ( cons ( car x ) ( cons ( car ( cdr x ) ) y ) )
'(one fish two fish)
> ( append x y )
'(one fish two fish)
>
```


Task 3 - Random Selection

The simple little program presented selects an element at random from a given list. The list is provided by means of the read function, which will read any S-expression, including a list.

Definitions - Defining the sampler program

```
( define ( sampler )
  ( display "(?): " )
  ( define the-list ( read ) )
  ( define the-element
    ( list-ref the-list ( random ( length the-list ) ) )
  )
  ( display the-element ) ( display "\n" )
  ( sampler )
)
```

Interactions - Mimicking the sampler program demo

```
> ( sampler )
(7): ( red orange yellow green blue indigo violet )
yellow
(7): ( red orange yellow green blue indigo violet )
blue
(7): ( red orange yellow green blue indigo violet )
yellow
(7): ( red orange yellow green blue indigo violet )
yellow
(7): ( red orange yellow green blue indigo violet )
indigo
(7): ( red orange yellow green blue indigo violet )
violet
(7): ( aet ate eat eta tae tea )
aet
(7): ( aet ate eat eta tae tea )
tea
(7): ( aet ate eat eta tae tea )
tea
(7): ( aet ate eat eta tae tea )
tea
(7): ( aet ate eat eta tae tea )
tae
(7): ( aet ate eat eta tae tea )
tae
(7): ( 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 )
4
(7): ( 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 )
8
(7): ( 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 )
8
(7): ( 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 )
1
(7): ( 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 )
3
(7): ( 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 )
9
(7): . user break
```

Task 4 - Playing Card Programming Challenge

The code and demo for the playing card programming challenge presented at the end of Lesson 8 is presented here.

Definitions - Programming the card playing functionality

```
( define ( ranks rank )
  ( list
    ( list rank 'C )
    ( list rank 'D )
    ( list rank 'H )
    ( list rank 'S )
  )
)

( define ( deck )
  ( append
    ( ranks 2 )
    ( ranks 3 )
    ( ranks 4 )
    ( ranks 5 )
    ( ranks 6 )
    ( ranks 7 )
    ( ranks 8 )
    ( ranks 9 )
    ( ranks 'X )
    ( ranks 'J )
    ( ranks 'Q )
    ( ranks 'K )
    ( ranks 'A )
  )
)

( define ( pick-a-card cards )
  ( list-ref cards ( random ( length cards ) ) )
)

( define ( show card )
  ( display ( rank card ) )
  ( display ( suit card ) )
)

( define ( rank card )
  ( car card )
)

( define ( suit card )
  ( cadr card )
)

( define ( red? card )
  ( or
    ( equal? ( suit card ) 'D )
    ( equal? ( suit card ) 'H )
  )
)

( define ( black? card )
  ( not ( red? card ) )
)

( define ( aces? card1 card2 )
  ( and
    ( equal? ( rank card1 ) 'A )
    ( equal? ( rank card2 ) 'A )
  )
)
```

Interactions - Mimicking the card playing functionality demo

```
> ( define c1 '( 7 C ) )
> ( define c2 '( Q H ) )
> c1
'(7 C)
> c2
'(Q H)
> ( rank c1 )
7
> ( suit c1 )
'C
> ( rank c2 )
'Q
> ( suit c2 )
'H
> ( red? c1 )
#f
> ( red? c2 )
#t
> ( black? c1 )
#t
> ( black? c2 )
#f
> ( aces? '( A C ) '( A S ) )
#t
> ( aces? '( K S ) '( A C ) )
#f
> ( ranks 4 )
'((4 C) (4 D) (4 H) (4 S))
> ( ranks 'K )
'((K C) (K D) (K H) (K S))
> ( length ( deck ) )
52
> ( display ( deck ) )
((2 C) (2 D) (2 H) (2 S) (3 C) (3 D) (3 H) (3 S) (4 C) (4 D) (4 H) (4 S) (5 C) (5 D) (5 H) (5 S) (6 C) (6
D) (6 H) (6 S) (7 C) (7 D) (7 H) (7 S) (8 C) (8 D) (8 H) (8 S) (9 C) (9 D) (9 H) (9 S) (X C) (X D) (X H)
(X S) (J C) (J D) (J H) (J S) (Q C) (Q D) (Q H) (Q S) (K C) (K D) (K H) (K S) (A C) (A D) (A H) (A S))
> ( pick-a-card ( deck ) )
'(K C)
> ( pick-a-card ( deck ) )
'(Q H)
> ( pick-a-card ( deck ) )
'(K H)
> ( pick-a-card ( deck ) )
'(2 S)
> ( pick-a-card ( deck ) )
'(Q D)
> ( pick-a-card ( deck ) )
'(3 H)
>
```