

Hump Yard Rules v1.2

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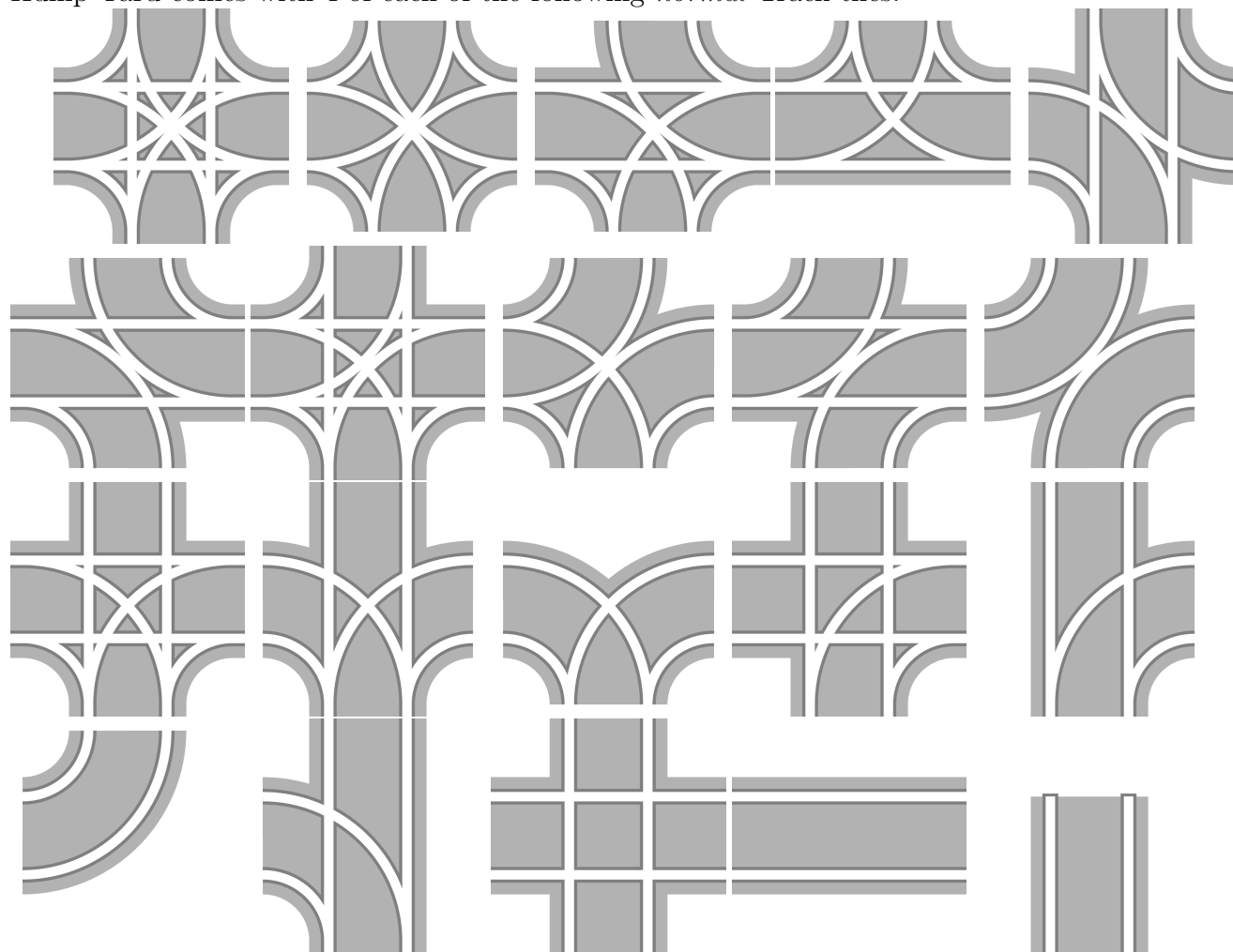
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1 Overview

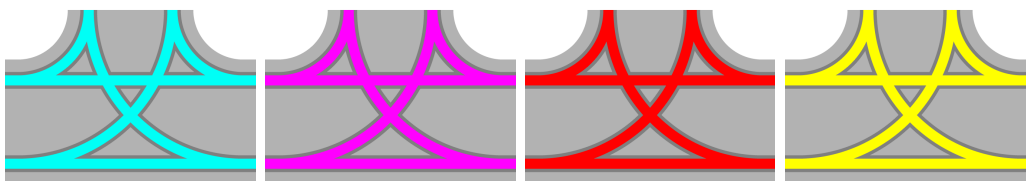
Hump Yard is a game about efficiently managing a rail classification yard. Players procure train cars and track, build networks, and engage in strategic trading.

2 Components

Hump Yard comes with 4 of each of the following *normal* Track tiles:



5 of each of the following colored track headings:



Source

Sink

8 Sources and 8 Sinks.

×8

×8

3 Game Play Regions

3.1 Track Market

The track market is a region that will be used to store pieces of track that are currently being sold. Every turn players will bid for the right to purchase specific pieces of track. All players will receive one piece of track from the track market every turn.

3.2 Train Contract Market

The Train Contract Market is a region that will be used to store contracts that players may bid for. Contracts consist of sets of train cars that may be sold to a buyer. Players wish to obtain

3.3 Train Car Market

The Train Car Market is used to store train cars that are currently for sale. Cars are won by bidding and the minimum bid of each car decreases over time.

3.4 Player Yards

Each Player has a yard area where they will build their yard and store and shunt train cars.

3.5 Generating a Contract

3.6 Generating Rolling Stock

3.7 Shunting

4 Rules of Play

4.1 Setup

Every players sets up their yard as follows with 5 of their collored heading tracks sandwiched by a source and a sink:



It is perfectly fine to have the headings point downwards if desired.

- Let P be the number of players.
- Place all of the Normal track pieces facedown in a stack. Take the first P of these tiles, flip them face up and use them to start the track piece market.
- Generate $P - 1$ contracts and use them to start the Contract market.

4.2 Turns

Each turn consists of the following phases.

4.2.1 Phase1 : Track Auction

Maximum bid wins. Each player must buy exactly 1 piece of track each turn. Naturally, players that have bought track pieces may not engage in any other auctions that turn. Players are prohibited from bidding more money than they have on hand.

At the end of the auction, lay 1 new random track piece in the track market for every player in the game.

4.2.2 Phase2 : Contract Auction

Minimum bid wins the contract. Players may only have 1 contract active at a time and can only deactivate contracts by fulfilling them. Naturally, players with active contracts may not take part in the bidding of any new contracts.

Everytime a contract is purchased, generate a new contract and place it in the contract market.

4.2.3 Phase3 : Rolling Stock Auction

Maximum bid wins. Players may buy as many or few pieces of rolling stock as they desire and can afford.

At the end of the auction, generate Y new pieces of rolling stock.

4.2.4 Phase 3: Trading, selling, and Shunting

Players may pay X to shunt a set of cars with one end accessible by the source or sink. Players may move cars to each other's yards by moving the cars to the sink, as long as the players have agreed to a trade agreement involving the amount of money that will change hands as compensation for the action.

In a similar way, players may shunt cars to the sink to fulfill contracts that have won and collect money from the bank.

Players may trade 3 cars to the bank for 1 car of any color.

4.3 End of Game and Winning

The game **ends** after 20 Turns have elapsed, which is when everyone will have a full yard with a piece of track in every square.

The player with the most money **wins** the game. If two players are tied, then the player with the most cars in their yard wins.