

RASP cheat sheet

RASP values are not mutable, but variable names can be reassigned. The **input sequence** refers to the value on which the s-ops and selectors are evaluated. It can be either a list of atoms (of the same type), or a string. When given as a string, it is treated as a sequence of strings of length 1.

Before s-ops and selectors

Atoms are ints, floats, strings, and booleans. They use similar manipulations to python (except exponentiation, which uses a^b instead of $\text{pow}(a,b)$). There are no bitwise manipulations. Examples: • $"a"+"b" = "ab"$ • $3^2 = 9$ • $"abc"[0] = "a"$ • $\text{True or False} = \text{True}$ •

Lists, Dictionaries exist purely for organisation.

- Creation: $l=[1,2]$ and $d=\{1:2\}$, or:
- $\text{range}(4)=[0,1,2,3]$.
- Indexing: $l[0]=1$, $d[3]=4$.
- Dictionary keys can be any atom.
- List elements and dictionary values can be any value.
- List concatenation: $[1]+[2,3]=[1,2,3]$.
- List zip: $\text{zip}([1,2],[3,4])=[[1,3],[2,4]]$.
- Dictionaries cannot be combined or zipped.

Dictionaries and lists can be used to make new dictionaries and lists with python-like list/dict comprehension.

- $[b+1 \text{ for } b \text{ in } [1,2,3]] = [2,3,4]$
- $[b+c \text{ for } b,c \text{ in } \text{zip}([1,2,3],[4,5,6])] = [5,7,9]$
- $\{k:v+2 \text{ for } k \text{ in } \{1:2,3:4\}\} = \{1:4,3:6\}$

S-Ops and Selectors

The built-in s-ops

- $\text{tokens}("hey") = [h,e,y]$
- $\text{indices}("hey") = [0,1,2]$
- $\text{length}("hey") = [3,3,3]$

Input types There also exist `tokens_str`, `tokens_int`, `tokens_float`, and `tokens_bool`, which assume different atom types in the input. Initially, `tokens = tokens_str`. You may want to change the REPL running example to the right type.

Elementwise operations: the same operations which combine atoms. Booleans can be converted to integers using `indicator`. There is also a ternary operator.

- $(\text{indices}*3)("hey") = [0,6,9]$
- $(\text{tokens}+"a)("hey") = [ha,ea,ya]$
- $(\text{indicator}(\text{tokens}=="e"))("hey") = [0,1,0]$
- $(\text{tokens if indices}\%2 \text{ else "a"})("hey") = [h,a,y]$

Select and Aggregate

Select and aggregate work together to make new s-ops.

Select You can think of the first and second s-ops given to `select` as the *input description* and *output description*, respectively. Selectors define which “input values” will be relevant in creating the new “output values” in `aggregate`. Examples:

- $\text{select}(\text{indices}, \text{indices}, <)("hey") = \begin{bmatrix} F & F & F \\ T & F & F \\ T & T & F \end{bmatrix}$
- $\text{select}(\text{tokens}, \text{tokens}, ==)("eek") = \begin{bmatrix} T & T & F \\ T & T & F \\ F & F & T \end{bmatrix}$

Aggregate averages the selected input values for each output position, as shown in Figure 1.

- Optional third parameter `v`, returned for each output position with no selected input positions. $v=0$ if not given. E.g.: for $\text{load5}=\text{select}(\text{indices}, 5, ==)$, $\text{aggregate}(\text{load5}, \text{tokens}, "z")("hey")=[z, z, z]$.
- For output positions with exactly one selected input position, passes input value without attempting to average. This allows passing non-number values: Take $\text{flip_s}(\text{indices}, \text{length-indices}-1, ==)$, for which:

$$\text{flip_s}("hey") = \begin{bmatrix} F & F & T \\ F & T & F \\ T & F & F \end{bmatrix}$$

Then $\text{aggregate}(\text{flip_s}, \text{tokens})("hey") = [y, e, h]$.

s = select([1,2,2],[0,1,2],==) res=aggregate(s, [4,6,8])

1	2	2		4	6	8	
0	F	F	F	F	F	F	=> 0
1	T	F	F	T	F	F	=> 4 => [0,4,7]
2	F	T	T	F	T	T	=> 7

Figure 1: Underlying behaviour of `select` and `aggregate` on specific input sequences (not quite RASP: actual `select` and `aggregate` get s-ops and selectors). `select` marks for each **output position** all **input positions** satisfying the given comparison `==`. `aggregate` uses `s` as a filter over the **input values**, averaging only the selected **values** at each position in order to create its output, `res`. Where no **values** have been selected, `aggregate` substitutes 0 in its output.

Selector Width

How many input positions have been selected for each output position. For example:

- $\text{selector_width}(\text{flip_s})("hey") = [1,1,1]$
- $\text{selector_width}(\text{select}(\text{tokens}, \text{tokens}, ==))("eek") = [2,2,1]$

Other conveniences

For loops exist purely for code organisation. Can loop over dictionaries or lists only. Example syntax: `for i in [1,2] { a = a+i; }`.

Functions. Example syntax: `def foo(a) {return a+3;}`.

Loading Files store code in files with ending `.rasp` and use `load "[filename]"`; e.g.: `load "paper_examples"`.

Variables beginning with `_` are private to the file.

The REPL

Display and Commands

s-ops and selectors are displayed with a running example, showing the output of each s-op and selector. The example can be set for both together or independently:

- `set example ["hello","world"]`
- `set s-op example "hello"`
- `set selector example "world"`

It can also be toggled on or off, together or independently:

- `examples on`
- `selector examples off`

Additionally, the s-op example printouts can be made more verbose, showing aligned with input for clearer view:

- `full seq display on`
- `full seq display off`

You can exit the REPL using `exit`, `quit`, `exit()`, or `quit()`, or—in some systems—`Ctrl+D`.