

K 2.0 Reference Card

SELECTION			MODIFICATION		
d @ i	Index (At)	Returns i with atoms replaced by values drawn from d, a list, directory or dictionary, according to i, indices or symbols as appropriate.	@[d;i;f;y]	Amend Item	Modify items in a list or dictionary with f, in place or as a result. Related forms: v[i] : y v[i] f: y v[i] f:
d . i	Index (Of)	Returns items from d, a list, directory or dictionary. A vector i returns one item-at-depth; otherwise results are cross-sectional. A null value means "all".	@[d;i;;y]		
d[i]	Select items.		@[d;i;f]		
d[j;k;...]	Select items at depth.			Amend at depth	Modifies items-at-depth in a list or dictionary with f, in place or as a result. Related forms: v[] : y v[j;k;...] : y v[] f: y v[j;k;...] f: y v[] f: v[j;k;...] f:
STRUCTURAL			INDICES		
@ x	Atom	Is x an atom?	! x	Enumerate	Integer vector 0 to x-1 or the entries in a dictionary or directory on the K-tree.
# x	Count	Number of items.	< x	Grade Up and Down	Permutations for ascending or descending order.
^ x	Shape	Extent of rectangularity.	> x	Group	List of indices which group matching items together.
x # y	Reshape	Make rectangles of atoms or lists.	= x	Range	Unique items.
, x	Enlist	Form list.	? x	Where	Indices replicated x times.
x _ y	Drop	Drops x items from an end of y.	& x		
	Cut	Break y into pieces at indices x.			
* x	First	First item.			
+ x	Flip	Transpose top two levels of x.			
x ! y	Rotate	Move x items from one end of y to the other.			
x	Reverse	Reverse order of items.			
x , y	Join	Join atoms or lists together.			
ARITHMETIC			DICTIONARIES		
x + y	Plus	x plus y.	. x	Make/Unmake dictionary	If x is list of items (Symbol ; Value ; optional attribute dictionary), result is a dictionary.
x - y	Minus	x minus y.			If x is a dictionary, result is a list of items of this form.
- x	Negate		~ x	Attribute	Handle of variable's attribute directory.
x * y	Times	x times y.		Assignment v becomes	y f[v;y] f[v]
x % y	Divide	x divided by y. Note 0 % 0 is 0.	v : y		Global definition.
% x	Reciprocal	Reciprocal of x.	v f: y		
x ^ y	Power	x to the power y.	v f:		
x ! y	Mod	y residue of x.	v :: y		
_ x	Floor	Largest integer not greater than x.			
x < y	Less	Is x less than y?			
x > y	More	Is x greater than y?			
x y	Max	Larger atom (boolean OR).			
x & y	Min	Smaller atom (boolean AND).			
~ x	Not	0 = x for numeric x.			
COMPARISON			TRANSLATION		
x = y	Equal	Are atoms of x and y tolerantly equal?	\$ x	Format	Monadic, character representation.
x ~ y	Match	Does x match y?	x \$ y		Dyadic, character rep. determined by integer or float left argument.
x ? y	Find	First location of y among items of x.	x \$ y	Form	0 and 0 . 0 convert characters to numeric. ` produces symbols. { } executes the expression y.
FUNCTION APPLICATION			. x	Evaluate	Value of expression or variable.
f @ x	Apply Monadic	Applies monadic function to value. e.g. {x^2}@3	d @ x		... executed in d, a dictionary on the K-tree
f . x	Apply	Applies function of any valence to appropriate value. e.g. f0._n f5.(a;b;c;d;e) Related forms: f[j;k;...] f[]			
f ? y	Inverse	Finds roots of y = f[x] using secant method optionally starting at x _{init} .	f' x	Each	Apply f to each item of argument(s). Use f' [x;y;z;...] for higher valence.
?[f;y;x _{init}]			x f' y	Each left	Apply f dyadically to each item of x with y
. [f;x;:]	Trap	Traps errors when f is applied to x. (0;result) or (1;error text)	x f\ : y	Each right	Apply f dyadically to x with each item of y
@[f;x;:]			x f/: y	Each pair	Apply f dyadically to consecutive pairs of y, starting with x (if present).
: [c;expr;f]	Conditional	[c ₁ ;e ₁ ;c ₂ ;e ₂ ;... c _n ;e _n ;f] do[n;e ₁ ;...;e _n] if[c;e ₁ ;e ₂ ;...;e _n] while[c;e ₁ ;e ₂ ;...;e _n]	x f': y		
			f / x		
			n f / x		
			t f / x		
			f / [x;y;z;...]		
				OVER (/) AND SCAN(\)	
				Monadic f	Apply f repeatedly to x until no change, n times, or until t applied to result gives 0.
				Higher valence f	Apply f repeatedly to x with items of other arguments. f [...f[f[x;y ₀ ;z ₀ ;...];y ₁ ;z ₁ ;...];...;y _n ;z _n ;...] For dyadic f, x f / y is f/[x;y] f/x is f/[x ₀ ;1_x].
				Scan (\)	Assembles intermediate results of over iterations.

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UNIX K PROCESS

k script.k -i 1234[</dev/null disables input].

WINDOWS NT 4.0 K PROCESS

k script.k -i 1234 -h 5678[kr disables input].

ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

KFONT Data font (monospaced).
KLFONT Label font.
KCOLOR Data object colour.
KSWAP UNIX Swap directory (default is /var/ktmp).

ATTRIBUTES

v..a Arrangement
v..bg Background colour
v..fg Foreground colour
v..c Class
v..k Click
v..kk Double click
v..d Dependency
v..e Editable
v..f Format
v..h Help
v..l Label
v..o Option list
v..t Trigger
v..u Update
v..g Validation
v..x Width
v..y Height

SYSTEM VARIABLES

_d Current directory.
_v Current global variable under amendment.
_t Current time.
_h Host process (machine name).
_p Host process (port).
_i Shell command parameters; Location of current amendment.
_w Handle of message source.
_u Name of message sender.
_n Nil.
_f Self.

SYSTEM FUNCTIONS

x _bin y Binary search for y in sorted x [_binl for each y].
x _di y Delete items with indices y from x.
x _dv y Delete value y from x[_dvl for each y].
x _draw y x random selections from y.
_gtime x GMT or local time(_ltime) as yyyyymmdd hhmmss.
_ic x Integer from char and char from integer(_ci).
_jd x Julian day from hhhhhmdd and date from Julian(_dj).
x _lsq y Least squares solution, W^T , of $Y_i W^T = X_i$.
x _dot y Dot product (+/x*y).
x _mul y Matrix multiply.
_inv x Matrix inverse.
x _in y Is x in y? (_lin tests each x).
x _sv y Evaluate items of y in base x.
x _sm y Are the strings in x found in y?
x _ss y Find all occurrences of strings of y in strings of x.
_ssr[x;y;z] Replace substrings y found in x with z.
x _vs y Expand items of y in base x.

MATH FUNCTIONS

_abs x Absolute value.
_floor x Integer part without comparison tolerance.
_sin x Sine (inverse is _arcsin).
_cos x Cosine (inverse is _arccos).
_tan x Tangent (inverse is _arctan).
_sinh x Hyperbolic sine.
_cosh x Hyperbolic cosine.
_tanh x Hyperbolic tangent.
_exp x Exponential (inverse is _log).
_sqr x Square (inverse is _sqrt).

I/O & COMMUNICATION

0: f Load file f as text; new lines mark items.
f 0: x Save text x in file f; new lines inserted.
` 0: x Write text to session log.
(s;w) 0: f Load text file f as fields. s is one of "IFCS" or blank; w is lengths. f is a filename or (filename;offset;length).
1: f Load contents of K-file f as mapped data.
2: f Copy contents of K-file f as data.
f 1: x Save x in K-file f.
(s;w) 1: f Load binary file f as fields. s is a C datatype, one of "cbsifdCS" or blank; w is lengths. f is a filename or (filename;offset;length).
c i: f Load entire file f as characters (c), integers (i) or floats (d). f is a filename or (filename; offset; length).
f 2: (e;t) Link object code.
3: (n;p) Get communication handle of process p on machine n.
3: h Close communication with partner whose handle is h.
t 3: x Remote set.
t 4: x Remote get.
4: x Internal data type.
5: x Executable form.
f 5: c Synchronized file append.

CONTROLS & DEBUGGING

\ Abort.
/text Comment.
: Resume after stop.
: x Resume with value; or Return value.
' x Signal (or 'alone).
\ x Stop/Trace.

COMMANDS

\. Attributes
\b [char] Set or report break flag (s = stop, t=trace, n=none).
\c b Console on (1) or off (0).
\d [name] Set or report current directory.
\v [dir] Entries in dir. (^ is parent; ~ is attribute dir).
\e [bool] Set or report error flag.
\. Exit.
Ctrl c Interrupt execution.
\i [name] Invalid names.
\l file Load script.
\m Windows nonstandard commands (i,h,c,f or l).
\text Text passed to OS for evaluation.
\p [digits] Set or report print precision.
\r [seed] Set or report random seed.
\kr file Make a K runtime program.
\t [digits] Set or report timer.
\s file Step through execution of file.
_ System names.
\t expr Measure execution time for expression.
\w Workspace size (used, allocated, mapped).

HELP

\ Command summary.
\0 Help for I/O and data representation.
\+ Help for verbs.
\' Help for adverbs.
\: Help for assignment, functions & controls.