

Arithmetic

a + b	addition
a - b	subtraction
a * b	multiplication
a / b	division
a /. b	integer division
a^1 2	exponentiation to fractional power

Comparisons

a < b	less than	
a <= b	less than or equal to	≤
a == b	equal to	
a <> b	not equal to	≠
a >= b	greater than or equal to	≥
a > b	greater than	

Logical operations

a and b	logical AND
a or b	logical OR
a xor b	exclusive OR
not a	logical NOT

Data types

any	any type	
bits	bit string	(Not Yet)
bool	T, F, U or ERR	
bytes	byte string	
changelist	find/replace list	
color	color	
func	function pointer	
image	bitmap image	
meas	physical measurement	
num	number or enum	
ptr	pointer	
regex	regular expression pattern	
sound	sound effect	
str	character string	
tree	a tree	
video	movie	

Definitions and flow of control statements

assets (local:name) (remote:name)
 folder:name into:dest (pattern:str)
 index: head|tail|seq|name
 file:name (url:"...") label:name

const name (:type) = expression
style name = ...tokens...
type name = type_expression
var name (:type) (= expression)

family name **base:name (abbrev:name)**
 (dimensions: unit^n | n | nonlinear)
unit doz **family:scalar ratio:1 doz = 12 each**

record name
 field1 (:type)
 :recordname

if expression
 ..statements
 | 10, 12
 ..statements
 | > 10
 ..statements

elif expression
 ..statements
 else
 ..statements

loop **index:id path:id val:id label:id**
 count:id rev:bool root:bool kind:kind
 from:expr to:expr (swap:bool) (by:expr)
 across:tree across^2:tree across^3:tree
 top_down:tree bottom_up:tree
 recursive:tree via:field
 sort: (index|val|field: id) (func: id)
 while:expr until:expr reps:expr trap:bool

continue (loopname) **exit** (loopname) **return** (expr)
log (+/-) "msg" (**on:flag**) (**cat:ident(level:num)**)
nop

block **fill:color grad:gradient opacity:opacity**
 corner:radius border:thick style color
 shadow:[{dx:n, dy:n, blur:n, color:c}]

Single value operations

=	copy to left	⇐
=>	copy to right	⇒
+>	add then copy	+⇒
->	subtract then copy	-⇒
*>	multiply then copy	*⇒
/>	divide then copy	/⇒
&>	concatenate then copy	&⇒
append expr => dest		
insert expr => dest		
prepend expr => dest		
link a.rel <=> b.rel	.LINK follows	
swap src <=> dest		
dec dest		
inc dest		
toggle dest		
touch dest		
adr dest	take address of a subtree	

Tree operations

dest <=== src	copy tree to left	⇐
copy src ===> dest	copy tree to right	⇒
prepend src ===> dest	(index:ident)	
append src ===> dest	(index:ident)	
insert src ===> dest		
merge src ===> dest		
move src ===> dest		
swap src <===> dest		⇐⇒
clear ===> dest		
remove ===> dest		
renum ===> dest		
trunc ===> dest		

Other operations

f > g > h	function chaining	➡
path ^^	pointer indirection	↑
ditto	repeat function parms	

Calculation and drawing blocks

```
calc name ( `description`
  parm: type `description`
): returntype
```

```
calc name ditto // repeat the same parameters as function above
```

```
draw name
```

```
  layer axes:kind area:box inset:spec skew:expr
        rotate:expr translate:expr matrix:matrix
        pin:expr dpi:expr
```

} Plain draw block with
optional sub-layer

```
(horz|vert) (slice|scroll) name
  add expr units funcname (order:expr)
  skip expr units
```

} Subdivide into horizontal or
vertical slices (stack scrolls)

```
grid name
```

```
  horz slice
    add expr units funcname (order:expr)
    skip expr units
```

```
  vert slice
    add expr units funcname (order:expr)
    skip expr units
```

```
  under
```

// optional code to draw underneath grid

```
  cell
```

// code to draw each cell

```
  over
```

// optional code to draw on top of table

} Create a 2-dimensional grid

```
report name
```

```
  add expr units // define raw columns
```

```
  skip expr units
```

```
  rowkind name // define row kinds
```

```
  background
```

// background drawing..

```
  span expr
```

// drawing for this row section..

```
  skip expr
```

} Create a tabbed report that has
a fine columnar grid, and each
row can use a different set of the
micro-columns

```
build // now build the rows
```

```
  add expr units row_id:expr (fieldname:expr)...
```

```
  skip expr units
```

```
track (eventkind)
```

...tracking logic for draw block...

Block subdivision Units

al -- aliquots (proportions)

pc -- picas (1/12 of an inch, 2mm)

pt -- points (1/72 of an inch, 1/3mm)

px -- device pixels

Punctuation in identifiers

\$, _ (underscore), * (export marker suffix)

Comments

```
//      line comment
--      line comment
---     documentation comment
====    line comment
/* ... */  block comment
(* ... *)  block comment alternate
`comment`  metaprogramming comment
```

Required first line

```
beads level num (program | library
| monitor | system) name (export_all)
(ver literal) (title literal)
```

Preprocessor commands

```
@alias name = tokens...
@favorite
@index "cat" / "subcat"
@option ..compiler options..
@partial func1(a) = func2(arg1, a, arg2)
@+          continue a line until @-
@if condition @then code
@elif condition @then code
@else code @endif
@< @>      indent, dedent for generated code
@;          line break for generated code
@ ( @ )    [ ] nested parentheses
```

Alternate braces

```
@a{ @a}    [ ]
@b{ @b}    « »
@c{ @c}    < >
@d{ @d}    ⌞ ⌟
@e{ @e}    ⌈ ⌋
```

To calculate a rectangle given a series of constraints:

`solve_rect(basis:a_rect, pin, cx, cy, dx, dy, top_left, left, top, right, bottom, width, height, aspect, inset, inset_n, inset_s, inset_e, inset_w, inset_x, inset_y):a_rect`

To calculate a point given a basis rectangle:

`solve_point(basis:a_rect, pin:num=5):a_xy`

To calculate a value using linear interpolation, given an input value, an input range, and output range:

`interpolate(value, input1, input2, output1, output2, round=F, clamp=F):num`

To convert a number into a string with optional overrides for thousands mark, decimal point, length, parentheses for negative, etc.:

`to_str(val, base=10, currency=F, currency_cc="$", decimal_cc=".", thou=F, thou_cc=",", round_k=F, max=999, min=1, neg_paren=F, pos_plus=F, percent=F, digits=U, show_u=F, zero_pad=F):str`

To draw text on the screen:

`draw_str(box, text, xy, angle, bold, bord_color, bord_width, color, corner, fill, font, hide_u, html, indent, italic, just, leading, max_lines, metrics, opacity, rindent, sel, shadowc, shadowr, shadowx, shadowy, shrink, shrink_min, size, spacing, strike, und, vert, weight, wrap)`

To draw a rectangle that can be stroked, filled with a color, pattern or gradient, with optional rounded corners:

`draw_rect(box, fill, grad, tile, blur, bord_color, bord_pos, bord_width, corner, opacity, shadow)`

To draw an oval (or circle if bounding box is square) that can be stroked and/or filled with a color, pattern or gradient:

`draw_oval(box, fill, grad, tile, blur, bord_color, bord_pos, bord_width, opacity, shadow)`

To draw a circle given a center point and radius or diameter, that can be stroked and/or filled:

`draw_circle(xy, x, y, radius, diam, fill grad, tile, blur, bord_color, bord_pos, bord_width, opacity, shadow)`

To draw a line. Line cap options are: CAP_BUTT, CAP_ROUND, CAP_SQUARE:

`draw_line(p1, p2, x1, y1, x2, y2, dx, dy, opacity, color, width, rel, cap)`

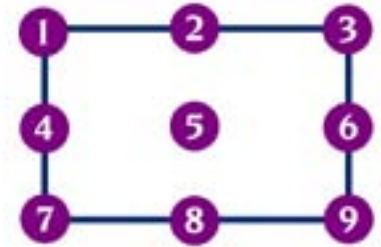
To draw a bitmap image. The image can be sized to fit the specified box:

`draw_image(image, box, xy, x, y, indent horz, vert, shrink, grow, aspect, origin, originx, originy, angle, corner, opacity, blend, filters)`

To count how many items are in an array:

`count(array):num`

Rectangle pin positions



Character string syntax

To concatenate use ampersand (&):
"hello" & "goodbye"

Use braces to embed an expression:
"total count is {count}"

Use triple quotes to define multiple line strings:

```
'''Love all,  
trust a few,  
do wrong to none'''
```

Use escape characters to access special characters or block special interpretation:

```
'my dog\'s name'
```

Localization suffixes look like this:

```
"my name"[123]
```

String escape sequences

{expr}	embedded expression
\\	single backslash
\n	newline
\r	carriage return
\t	tab
\uAAAA	unicode character by hex code
\0	null character
\'	single quote (')
\"	double quote (")
_	space (explicit spaces in translations)
\~	non-breaking space
\-	em dash
\!	inverted exclamation (¡)
\?	inverted question mark (¿)
\<	left guillemet («)
\>	right guillemet (»)
\{	left brace (not embedded expr.)
\}	right brace (not embedded expr.)
\.	bullet (•)

String handling functions from the str library

subset (str, from=1, to=U, len=U, rev=F) : str	extract a substring from a string
to_upper (str) : str	switch to all upper case letters
to_lower (str) : str	switch to all lower case letters
to_char (num) : str	convert unicode number to character
from_char ('c') : num	convert a the first character of a string to its unicode number
pad_left (str, len, pad=' '): str	pad a string on the left side to a specified length
pad_right (str, len, pad=' '): str	pad a string on the right side to a specified length
to_str (num, base=10, currency=F, currency_cc="\$", decimal_cc=".", u_cc="?", thou=F, thou_cc="," , round_k=F, max=999, min=1, neg_paren=F, pos_plus=F, percent=F, zero_pad=F) : str	
str_begins (haystack, needle) : bool	test if a long string (haystack) begins with a small string (needle)
str_del (str, from=1, to=U, len=U, rev=F) : str	remove a range of characters from a string
str_ends (haystack, needle) : bool	test if a long string (haystack) ends with a small string (needle)
str_find (str, pattern, startpos=0, ignorecase=F, rev=F, regexp=F, count=1) : a_find	
str_ins (starting, insert, to=U, len=U, rev=F) : str	insert a string into another, maybe deleting some characters
str_len (str) : num	get string length
str_localize (str, lang=U, index=U, qty=U, fallback=F) : str	
str_repeat (str, ntimes) : str	repeat a string
str_replace (haystack, needle, replacement, start=0) : str	
str_replace_multiple (haystack, changes, trace=F) : str	
str_reverse (str) : str	reverse the characters in a string
str_split_lines (str, result, delimiter=TAB) : str	split a string into lines using delimiters
str_split_lines_words (str, result, delimiter=TAB) : str	split a string into lines and words
str_split_words (str, result, delimiter=' ') : str	split a string into words
str_strip_quotes (str) : str	strip single or double quotes from a string
str_to_enum (str) : num	convert a string back to the enum, U if not found
str_to_num (str) : num	convert a string into a number, ERR if incorrectly formatted
str_to_tree (json, tree)	convert a string into a tree
str_trim (str) : str	trim a string on both left and right sides
enum_to_str (num) : str	convert an enum into string form
json_to_tree (json, tree)	convert a JSON string into a tree
meas_to_str (meas, styles...) : str	convert a units of measurement into string form
tree_to_json (tree, limit=INFINITY) : str	convert a tree into a JSON-compatible string, with an optional term limit
tree_to_str (tree, limit=INFINITY) : str	convert a tree into a string

Constants

T	True, on
F	False, off
U	undefined
ERR	error
INFINITY	positive infinity
-INFINITY	negative infinity
PI	π
TAU	2π
E	euler's constant 2.718...
GOLDEN_RATIO	golden ratio 1.618...
BEEP : sound	system beep
META : tree	for introspection

System Variables

runtime : a_runtime

System Records

meas	mag, unit
a_date	date_year, date_month, date_day, date_hour, date_minute, date_second
a_event	evkind, when, x, y, z, global_x, global_y, keycode, unicode, is_shift, is_ctrl, is_alt, is_cmd
a_xy	x, y
a_xyz	x, y, z
a_rect	left, top, width, height
a_runtime	args, app_version, air_ version, os_version, os_language, os_ kind, cpu_kind, full_screen, window_ horz, window_vert, screen_horz, screen_vert, screen_dpi, touch_kind, hardware_id, notch_height, notch_ width, major_stepx, major_steps, micro_steps

Math functions

abs(n):num
distance(a_xy, a_xy):num
distance_xyz(a_xyz, a_xyz):num
exp(n):num
exp_minus_1(n):num
epsilon(n=1.0):num
fract(n):num
idiv(input, divisor, one=F):num
lg(n, base=E):num
min(a, b, ...):num
max(a, b, ...):num
mod(input, divisor, one=F, neg=F):num
next_float(n):num
power(base, exponent):num
prev_float(n):num
sign(n):num
sqrt(n):num
uzero(n):num

Trigonometry functions

arc_cos(n):Angle
arc_sin(n):Angle
arc_tan(n):Angle
arc_tan2(y, x):Angle
cos(angle):num
hypot(a, b):num
sin(meas):num
tan(meas):num

Machine functions

machine_spawn(name)
machine_pause(name)
machine_resume(name)

Misc. functions

halt(errcode=0)
type_of_val(val):num
type_of_ptr(path):num

Tree functions

tree_count(tree):num
tree_hi(tree):num
tree_lo(tree):num
tree_next_hi(tree):num
tree_next_lo(tree):num
tree_sibling_hi(ptr):ptr
tree_sibling_lo(ptr):ptr
tree_index(ptr, keys...):ptr
tree_deep_index(ptr, keys):tree

Coordinate functions

local_to_global(x,y):a_xy
global_to_local(x,y):a_xy
measure_table_column(kind,col):num

Rounding functions

round(n, multiple=1):num
round_up(n, multiple=1):num
round_down(n, multiple=1):num
round_zero(n, multiple=1):num

Bool functions

is_enum(n):bool
is_err_u(n):bool
is_err_enum(n):bool
is_even(n):bool
is_field_in_record(field,rec):bool
is_finite(n):bool
is_infinite(n):bool
is_landscape(a_rect):bool
is_numeric(n):bool
is_odd(n):bool
is_portrait(a_rect):bool

Sound functions

sound_pause()
sound_play(sound, loop, notify...)
sound_play_file(path)
sound_resume()

File operations

file_exists(path):bool
file_read_bytes(path):bytes
file_read_str(path):str
file_read_tree(path):tree
file_write_tree(path,tree):bool
launch_file(file)
launch_url(url)
path_extract_folder(pathstr):str
path_extract_file(pathstr):str
pick_dir(title, callback)
pick_file_open(title, callback, ...)
pick_file_save(title, callback)

Time functions

elapsed():num
now():num
seconds_to_date(sec, city=U)
date_to_seconds(a_date):num
days_in_month(yy,mm):num
day_of_week(date, ...):num
day_of_year(yy,mm,dd):num

Random functions

random():num
random_color():color
random_range(start, stop):num
random_range_int(start, stop):num
random_parm(...items):any
random_word4():str

Color functions

rgb(r,g,b,a):color
rgb1(r,g,b,a):color
hsv(h,s,v):color
hsv_to_color(hsv):color
color_to_hsv(color):hsv
color_r(color):num ..g ..b

Unit families and their units

Angle	angle	foot	Speed	len / time
deg		inch	ft_per_min	
gradian		km	ft_per_sec	
radian		m	km_per_hr	
rev		mile	m_per_min	
		mm	m_per_sec	
		nautmile	mi_per_hr	
Area	len ²	nm		
acre		um	Temperature	temp
hectare		yard	deg_c	
sq_cm			deg_f	
sq_ft		Mass	deg_k	
sq_in		grain	Time	time
sq_mi		gram		
sq_yd		kg	day	
		ounce	hour	
Energy	len ² · mass / time ²	pound	microsec	
BTU		slug	millisec	
calorie		ton	minute	
ev		tonne	month	
gigajoule		troy_ounce	nanosec	
hp_hour		troy_pound	picosec	
joule			sec	
kw_hr		Power	week	
therm		len ² · mass / time ³	year	
		gigawatt	Volume	len ³
		hp	cu_ft	
Force	len · mass / time ²	kilowatt	cu_yd	
lbf		megawatt	cup	
newton		milliwatt	gal	
		watt	l	
			ml	
Frequency	1/time	Pressure	oz	
hz		mass / len · time ²	pint	
rpm		bar	quart	
		pascal	tbsp	
		psi	tsp	
		torr		
Length	len	Scalar		
angstrom				
cm		dozen		
dm		each		
		gross		

Literals

Use single braces to create a tree literal:

```
var t : tree = { name:"fred", age:12 }
```

Use single brackets to create an array literal, semicolons indicate go to next level:

```
var two_by_two = [ 2, 3; 4 6]
```

Use the [<...>] notation to create a literal that is an array of records; the first row is the names of the fields:

```
var people : []people <=== [<
    name, age
    "fred", 22
    "sarah", 44 >]
```

Use # to prefix a color literal:

```
#aabbcca -- a hex color constant
```

Implied variables

In draw blocks the implied variable b:a_block is defined:

```
record a_block
```

```
    box      : a_rect // local bounds of the drawing area
    matrix   : tree   // current transform matrix in effect
    blabel   : str    // block label if any
    dest     : num    // FOR_PRINT, FOR_SCREEN, etc.
```

// fields that are set inside a table

```
row_kind : num // TRACK, the kind of row we tapped on
row_box  : a_rect // box for the whole row
row_id   : num // the unique id of the row
col_id   : num // the unique id of the column
```

// fields that are set inside a grid and table

```
cell      : a_point // cell col and row (as .x, .y)
cell_id   : a_point // id of the cell
ncols     : num // number of columns in the grid
nrows     : num // number of rows in the grid or table
```

Regular expression definitions

regex *name* (*ignore_case* | *global* | *multiline* | *starts* | *ends*) (*parm1:str* *parm2:str* ...)
...regular terms...

