## | bars make cores

|\_ spec alas (map term tome)

produces a door (a core with sample)

(unit term) (map term tome)

produces a core (battery and payload)

(unit term) (map term tome) 10

produces a wet core (battery and payload)

١. hoon

produces a trap (a core with one arm)

1: [hoon hoon]

produces a gate with a custom sample

1hoon

produces a trap (a core with one arm) and evaluates it

|^ hoon (map term tome)

produces a core whose battery includes a \$ arm and computes the latter

**|~** [spec value]

produces an iron gate

[spec value]

produces a wet gate (a one-armed core with sample)

**|=** [spec value]

produces a dry gate (a one-armed core with sample)

1? hoon

produces a lead trap

|\$ (lest term) spec produces a mold

# \$ bucs form molds

**\$0** [spec spec]

structure that normalizes a union tagged by head atom

\$: (list spec)

forms a cell type (tuple)

[a=foo b=bar c=baz]

\$\_

structure that normalizes to an example

\_foo

\$% (list spec)

structure that recognizes a union tagged by head atom

**\$**^

structure that normalizes a union tagged by head depth (cell)

\$~ [hoon spec]

defines a custom type default value

\$-[spec spec]

structure that normalizes to an example gate

[skin spec]

foo=bar structure that wraps a face around another structure

\$? (list spec)

> ?(\$foo \$bar \$baz) forms a type from a union of other types

\$> [spec spec]

structure from filter (requiring)

\$< [spec spec]

structure from filter (excluding)

\$\$ [spec (map term spec)]

structure from recursion

\$1 [spec hoon]

structure with verification

\$.	<pre>[spec (map term spec)]</pre>	
	structure as read-write core	
\$+	[stud spec]	
	standard structure	
\$;	hoon	
ė I	manual structure	
\$/	<pre>[spec (map term spec)] structure as write-only core</pre>	
\$`	[spec (map term spec)]	
•	structure as read-only core	
\$&	[spec hoon]	
-	repaired structure	
\$!	[spec (map term spec)]	
	structure as opaque core	
%	cens put the fun in function	
%_	<pre>[wing (list (pair wing hoon))]</pre>	
	resolves a wing with changes, preserving type	
%.	[hoon hoon]	
	calls a gate, inverted	
<b>%^</b>	[hoon hoon hoon]	
0/.	calls a gate with triple sample	
<b>%</b> +	[hoon hoon hoon] calls a gate with a cell sample	
%-	[hoon hoon]	
70-	calls a gate	(fun arg)
%:	[hoon (list hoon)]	( =
	calls a gate with many arguments	
<b>%~</b>	[wing hoon hoon]	
	evaluates an arm in a door	~(arm core arg)
<b>%*</b>	<pre>[wing hoon (list (pair winghoon))]</pre>	
	evaluates an expression, then resolves a wing with changes	
<b>%=</b>	[wing (list (pair wing hoon))]	f(v. 1 2 2)
	resolves a wing with changes	foo(x 1, y 2, z 3)
:	cols make cells	
:_	[hoon hoon]	
. ^	constructs a cell, inverted	
:^	[hoon hoon hoon] constructs a cell, 4-tuple	[a b c d]
:+	[hoon hoon]	
• '	constructs a cell, 3-tuple	[a b c]
:-	[hoon hoon]	
	constructs a cell, 2-tuple	[a b], a^b (a^b^c)
:~	(list hoon)	[0 0], 0 0 (0 0 0)
	constructs a null-terminated list	~[a b c]
:*	(list hoon)	
	constructs an n-tuple	[abcde…]
::	marks a comment (digraph, not rune)	
•	dots nock	
.+	atom	
	increments an atom using Nock 4	+(42)
.*	[hoon hoon]	
	evaluates using Nock 2	

=(a b)

[hoon hoon] .= tests for equality using Nock 5 .?

tests for cell or atom using Nock 3

[spec hoon]

loads from namespace using Nock 12

# ^ kets cast

^| hoon

converts a gold core to an iron core (invariant)

[hoon hoon]

typecasts on value

^\_ [spec hoon]

`foo`bar typecasts by explicit type label

^+ [hoon hoon]

typecasts by inferred type (a fence)

^& hoon

converts a core to a zinc core (covariant)

^~ hoon

folds constant at compile time

^= [skin hoon]

foo=bar binds name to a value

^?

converts a core to a lead core (bivariant)

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^:

\*foo bunt, produces default mold value ,foo

produces a 'factory' gate for a type (switch from regular parsing to spec/type parsing)

## ~ sigs hint

~| [hoon hoon]

prints in stack trace if failure

~\$ [term hoon]

profiler hit counter

[hoon hoon]

prints in stack trace, user-formatted

[chum hoon tyre hoon] ~%

registers jet

[chum hoon] ~/

registers jet with registered context

[\$@(term [term hoon]) hoon]

raw hint, applied to product ("backward")

[\$@(term [term hoon]) hoon] ~>

raw hint, applied to computation ("forward")

[@ hoon] ~+

caches a computation

[@ud hoon hoon] ~&

prints (used for debugging)

~? [@ud hoon hoon hoon]

prints conditionally (used for debugging)

[hoon hoon] ~=

detects duplicate

~! [hoon hoon]

prints type if compilation failure

#### ; mics make [hoon (list hoon)] ;: :(fun a b c d) calls a binary function as an \$n\$-ary function [spec hoon hoon hoon] ;< glues a pipeline together (monadic bind) ;~ [hoon (list hoon)] glues a pipeline together with a product-sample adapter (monadic bind) [spec hoon] ;; normalizes with a mold, asserting fixpoint ;+ (Sail) makes a single XML node ;\* (Sail) makes a list of XML nodes from Hoon expression ;= marl:hoot (Sail) makes a list of XML nodes ;/ (Sail) yields tape as XML element = tises alter [spec hoon] =| combines default type value with the subject [wing hoon hoon] =. changes one leg in the subject [wing hoon hoon] =? changes one leg in the subject conditionally [skin wing hoon hoon] =^ pins the head of a pair; changes a leg with the tail =: [(list (pair wing hoon)) hoon] changes multiple legs in the subject [skin hoon hoon] =/ combines a named noun with the subject [skin hoon hoon] =; combines a named noun with the subject, inverted [hoon hoon] =< foo:bar composes two expressions, inverted [hoon hoon] => composes two expressions [hoon hoon] combines a new noun with the subject =\* [(pair term (unit spec)) hoon hoon] defines an alias [hoon hoon] exposes namespace (defines a bridge) [hoon hoon] =+ combines a new noun with the subject (list hoon) composes many expressions -/= terminators terminate

- terminates core expression (digraph, not rune)
- terminates running series of Hoon expressions (digraph, not rune) ==
  - ? wuts test
- ?| (list hoon)

(foo bar baz) logical OR (loobean) [hoon hoon hoon] ?: branches on a boolean test ?. [hoon hoon hoon] branches on a boolean test, inverted ?< [hoon hoon] negative assertion ?> [hoon hoon] positive assertion [wing (list (pair spec hoon))] ?switches against a union, no default ?^ [wing hoon hoon] branches on whether a wing of the subject is a cell ?= [spec wing] tests pattern match ?# [skin wing] tests pattern match [wing hoon (list (pair spec hoon))] ?+ switches against a union, with default (list hoon) ?& &(foo bar baz) logical AND (loobean) ?@ [wing hoon hoon] branches on whether a wing of the subject is an atom ?~ [wing hoon hoon] branches on whether a wing of the subject is null ?! hoon !foo logical NOT (loobean) ! zaps run wild !: turns on stack trace !. turns off stack trace [\*hoon hoon] !, emits AST of expression (use as !, \*hoon expression) !; [hoon hoon] emits the type for an expression using the type of type !> wraps a noun in its type != hoon makes the Nock formula for a Hoon expression !? [\$@(@ {@ @}) hoon] restricts Hoon version !! crashes !< lift dynamic value into static context / fases file (+ford arm of %clay) /? pin a version number /foo, \*bar, baz=qux imports a file from the sur directory (\* pinned with no face, = with specified face)

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/+
     foo, *bar, baz=qux
     imports a file from the lib directory (* pinned with no face, = with specified face)
/=
     clay-raw /sys/vane/clay
     imports results of user-specified path wrapped in face
/*
     myfile %hoon /gen/myfile/hoon
     imports the contents of a file in the desk converted to a mark (build-time static data)
     luses arm cores
+|
     labels a chapter (produces no arm)
+$
     [term spec]
     produces a structure arm (type definition)
++
     [term hoon]
     produces a (normal) arm
+*
     [term term spec]
     produces a type constructor arm
     [term spec]
     produces a
syntax
                                                                .:[%a [%b %c]]
+1:[%a [%b %c]] [%a [%b %c]]
                                                                                [%a [%b %c]]
                                          [%a [%b %c]]
+2:[%a [%b %c]] %a
                                                                -:[%a [%b %c]]
                                                                                %a
+3:[%a [%b %c]] [%b %c]
                                                                +:[%a [%b %c]]
                                                                                [%b %c]
+4:[%a [%b %c]] %ride failed
                                                                -<:[%a [%b %c]] %ride failed
                                                               +<:[%a [%b %c]] %b
+6:[%a [%b %c]]
                 %b
                                                                +>:[%a [%b %c]] %c
+7:[%a [%b %c]] %c
              &n nth element
                                                                lark syntax equivalents
              In tail after nth element
                                                                    +1
                                                                                     +5 ->
                                                                    +2 -
                                                                                      +6 +<
                                                                    +3 +
                                                                                     +7 +>
       <[1 2 3]> renders list as a tape
       >[1 2 3]< renders list as a tank
                                                                    +4 -<
                                                                                     +8 -<-
                                                         ^face face in outer core (^^face)
               · current subject
                                                          ..arm core in which ++arm is defined
               + +:.
               - -:.
                                                          , , strip the face
              +> +>:.
           a.b.c limb search path
                                                           -:!> type spear, use as -:!>(.3.14)
                                                                              `a [~ a]
               ~ 0 (nil)
                                            eny entropy
                                                                       ~[abc] [abc~]
     %.y
                                            now current time
               & yes/true
                                                                       [a b c]~ [[a b c] ~]
     %.n
               I no/false
                                            our ship
                                                                             a/b [%a b]
              %a constant
               $ empty term (@tas)
                                                       elementary molds
          'urbit'cord, atom @t
                                                                      * noun
          "urbit" tape or list of characters
                                                                      @ atom (atom)
                                                                      ^ cell
           =wire shadow type name (in defn)
           /path path name
                                                                      ? loobean
                                                                      ~ null
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@p notation
@
       Empty aura
@c
       Unicode codepoint
                                                                 ~-~45fed.
0d
       Date
                                                                 ~2020.12.25..7.15.0..1ef5
@da
      Date, absolute
0dr
                                                                 ~d71.h19.m26.s24..9d55
      Date, relative
0f
      Loobean (for compiler, not castable)
@i
      Internet address
@if
                                                                 .195.198.143.90
      IPv4 address
      IPv6 address
                                                                 .0.0.0.0.0.1c.c3c6.8f5a
@is
@n
      Nil (for compiler, not castable)
                                                                 ~laszod-dozser-fosrum-fanbyr
       Phonemic base
@р
                                                                 .~laszod-dozser-dalteb-hilsyn
Qq
       Phonemic base, unscrambled (used with Urbit HD wallet)
@r
       IEEE-754 floating-point number
@rh
      Floating-point number, half-precision, 16-bit
                                                                 .~~3.14
@rs
       Floating-point number, single-precision, 32-bit
                                                                 .3.141592653589793
0rd
      Floating-point number, double-precision, 64-bit
                                                                 .~3.141592653589793
                                                                 .~~~3.141592653589793
@rq
       Floating-point number, quadruple-precision, 128-bit
       Integer, signed (sign bit low)
@s
0sb
                                                                 --0b10.0000
      Signed binary
0sd
      Signed decimal
                                                                 --1.000
0sv
                                                                 --0v201.4gvml.245kc
      Signed base-32
                                                                 --0w2.04AfS.G8xac
@sw
      Signed base-64
@sx
      Signed hexadecimal
                                                                 --0x2004.90fd
                                                                 'urbit'
@t
      UTF-8 text (cord)
      ASCII text (knot)
                                                                 ~.urbit
  @tas ASCII text symbol (term)
                                                                 %urbit
@u
      Integer, unsigned
      Unsigned binary
                                                                 0b10.1011
@ub
                                                            Oc1A1zP1eP5QGefi2DMPTfTL5SLmv7DivfNa
@uc
      Bitcoin address
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Capital letters at the end of auras indicate the bitwidth in binary powers of two, starting from A.

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0x84.5fed

0v88nvd

0wx5~J

signed single-byte (8-bit) decimal

@tD 8-bit ASCII text

Unsigned hexadecimal

Unsigned decimal

Unsigned base-32

Unsigned base-64

half-precision (16-bit) floating-point number @rhE

unsigned 64-bit hexadecimal @uxG

unsigned 512-bit integer (frequently used for entropy)

Auras are non-coercive, but conversions may have to go via the empty aura: ^-(@ud ^-(@ 'foo')).

0ud

@uv

@uw

@ux

## Nock 4K

A noun is an atom or a cell. An atom is a natural number. A cell is an ordered pair of nouns.

Reduce by the first matching pattern; variables match any noun.

```
nock(a)
                     [a [b c]]
[a b c]
?[a b]
                     0
?a
                     1
+[a b]
                     +[a b]
+a
                     1 + a
=[a a]
=[a b]
                     1
/[1 a]
                     а
/[2 a b]
                     a
/[3 a b]
/[(a + a) b]
                     /[2 /[a b]]
/[(a + a + 1) b]
                     /[3 /[a b]]
/a
                     /a
#[1 a b]
#[(a + a) b c]
                     \#[a [b / [(a + a + 1) c]] c]
#[(a + a + 1) b c]
                     \#[a [/[(a + a) c] b] c]
                     [*[a b c] *[a d]]
*[a [b c] d]
                                                                slot operator (noun at tree address)
*[a 0 b]
                     /[b a]
*[a 1 b]
                                                                constant
*[a 2 b c]
                     *[*[a b] *[a c]]
                                                                evaluate
                                                                test for atom
*[a 3 b]
                     ?*[a b]
                                                                increment
*[a 4 b]
                     +*[a b]
*[a 5 b c]
                     =[*[a b] *[a c]]
                                                                distribution
*[a 6 b c d]
                     *[a *[[c d] 0 *[[2 3] 0 *[a 4 4 b]]]]
                                                                if-then-else
*[a 7 b c]
                     *[*[a b] c]
                                                                compose
*[a 8 b c]
                     *[[*[a b] a] c]
                                                                extend
                                                                invoke
*[a 9 b c]
                     *[*[a c] 2 [0 1] 0 b]
                                                                edit noun
*[a 10 [b c] d]
                     #[b *[a c] *[a d]]
*[a 11 [b c] d]
                     *[[*[a c] *[a d]] 0 3]
                                                                hint
*[a 11 b c]
                     *[a c]
*a
                     *a
                                                                interpret
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