

**| bar core expressions**

**|\_** spec alas (map term tome)  
 produce a door (a core with sample)  
**|%** (unit term) (map term tome)  
 produce a core (battery and payload)  
**|@** (unit term) (map term tome)  
 produce a wet core (battery and payload)  
**|:** [hoon hoon]  
 produce a gate with a custom sample  
**|.** hoon  
 produce a trap (a core with one arm)  
**|-** hoon  
 produce a trap (a core with one arm) and evaluates it  
**|^** hoon (map term tome)  
 produce a core whose battery includes a \$ arm and computes the latter  
**|~** [spec value]  
 produce an iron gate  
**|\*** [spec value]  
 produce a wet gate (a one-armed core with sample)  
**|=** [spec value]  
 produce a dry gate (a one-armed core with sample)  
**|?** hoon  
 produce a lead trap  
**|\$** (lest term) spec  
 produce a mold

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**\$ buc structures**

**\$@** [spec spec]  
 structure that normalizes a union tagged by head atom  
**\$\_** hoon  
 structure that normalizes to an example \_foo  
**\$:** (list spec)  
 form a cell type (tuple) [a=foo b=bar c=baz]  
**\$%** (list spec)  
 structure that recognizes a union tagged by head atom (e.g., a list of named parameters)  
**\$<** [spec spec]  
 structure from filter (excluding)  
**\$>** [spec spec]  
 structure from filter (requiring)  
**\$|** [spec hoon]  
 structure with verification  
**\$&** [spec hoon]  
 repaired structure  
**\$^** hoon  
 structure that normalizes a union tagged by head depth (cell)  
**\$~** [hoon spec]  
 define a custom type default value  
**\$-** [spec spec]  
 structure that normalizes to an example gate  
**\$=** [skin spec]  
 structure that wraps a face around another structure foo=bar  
**\$?** (list spec)  
 form a type from a union of other types ?(\$foo \$bar \$baz)

\$.	[spec (map term spec)] structure as read-write core	
\$*	hoon bunt a value (provide default "empty" value)	*foo
\$;	hoon manual structure	
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%	<b>cen calls &amp; samples</b>	
%_	[wing (list (pair wing hoon))] resolve a wing with changes, preserving type	
%.	[hoon hoon] call a gate, inverted	
%^	[hoon hoon hoon hoon] call a gate with triple sample	
%+	[hoon hoon hoon] call a gate with a cell sample	
%-	[hoon hoon] call a gate	(fun arg)
:%	[hoon (list hoon)] call a gate with many arguments	
%~	[wing hoon hoon] evaluate an arm in a door	~(arm core arg)
:%*	[wing hoon (list (pair winghoon))] evaluate an expression, then resolves a wing with changes	
%=	[wing (list (pair wing hoon))] resolve a wing with changes	foo(x 1, y 2, z 3)
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:	<b>col cells</b>	
:_	[hoon hoon] construct a cell, inverted	
:^	[hoon hoon hoon hoon] construct a cell, 4-tuple	[a b c d]
:+	[hoon hoon hoon] construct a cell, 3-tuple	[a b c]
:-	[hoon hoon] construct a cell, 2-tuple	[a b], a^b (a^b^c)
:~	(list hoon) constructs a null-terminated list	~[a b c]
:%*	(list hoon) construct an n-tuple	[a b c d e ...]
::	mark a comment (digraph, not rune)	
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.	<b>dot nock evaluations</b>	
..+	atom increment an atom using Nock 4	+(42)
.*	[hoon hoon] evaluate using Nock 2	
..=	[hoon hoon] test for equality using Nock 5	=(a b)
..?	hoon test for cell or atom using Nock 3	
..^	[spec hoon] load from namespace using Nock 12 (scry)	

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**-/= terminators**

--	terminate core expression (digraph, not rune)	
==	terminate running series of Hoon expressions (digraph, not rune)	
<b>^ ket typecasting</b>		
^	hoon convert a gold core to an iron core (invariant)	
^.	[hoon hoon] typecast on value	
^-	[spec hoon] typecast by explicit type label	`foo`bar
^+	[hoon hoon] typecast by inferred type (a fence)	
^&	hoon convert a core to a zinc core (covariant)	
^~	hoon fold constant at compile time	
^=	[skin hoon] bind name to a value	foo=bar
^?	hoon convert a core to a lead core (bivariant)	
^*	spec bunt, produces default mold value	*foo
^:	spec produce a 'factory' gate for a type (switch from regular parsing to spec/type parsing)	,foo

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**~ sig interpreter hints**

~	[hoon hoon] print in stack trace if failure
~\$	[term hoon] profiler hit counter
~_	[hoon hoon] print in stack trace, user-formatted
~%	[chum hoon tyre hoon] register jet
~/	[chum hoon] register 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] cache computation
~&	[@ud hoon hoon] print (used for debugging)
~?	[@ud hoon hoon hoon] print conditionally (used for debugging)
~=	[hoon hoon] detect duplicate
~!	[hoon hoon] print type if compilation failure

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; mic macros
;~ [hoon (list hoon)]
   call a binary function as an $n$-ary function           :(fun a b c d)
;/  hoon
   (Sail) yield tape as XML element
;<  [spec hoon hoon hoon]
   glue a pipeline together (monadic bind)
;~ [hoon (list hoon)]
   glue a pipeline together with a product-sample adapter (monadic bind)
;;  [spec hoon]
   normalize with a mold, asserting fixpoint
;+
   (Sail) make a single XML node
;*
   (Sail) make a list of XML nodes from Hoon expression
;=  marl:hoot
   (Sail) make a list of XML nodes

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= tis subject modifications
=|  [spec hoon]
   combine default type value with the subject
=.  [wing hoon hoon]
   change one leg in the subject
=?  [wing hoon hoon hoon]
   change one leg in the subject conditionally
=^  [skin wing hoon hoon]
   pin the head of a pair; changes a leg with the tail
=:  [(list (pair wing hoon)) hoon]
   change multiple legs in the subject
=/  [skin hoon hoon]
   combine a named noun with the subject
;=  [skin hoon hoon]
   combine a named noun with the subject, inverted
=<  [hoon hoon]
   compose two expressions, inverted                       foo:bar
=>  [hoon hoon]
   compose two expressions
=-  [hoon hoon]
   combine a new noun with the subject
=*  [(pair term (unit spec)) hoon hoon]
   define an alias
=,  [hoon hoon]
   expose namespace (defines a bridge)
=+  [hoon hoon]
   combine a new noun with the subject
=~  (list hoon)
   compose many expressions

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? wut conditionals
?|  (list hoon)
   logical OR (loobean)                                     |(foo bar baz)
?:  [hoon hoon hoon]
   branch on a boolean test
?.  [hoon hoon hoon]

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branch on a boolean test, inverted  
 ?< [hoon hoon]  
 negative assertion  
 ?> [hoon hoon]  
 positive assertion  
 ?- [wing (list (pair spec hoon))]  
 switch against a union, no default  
 ?^ [wing hoon hoon]  
 branch on whether a wing of the subject is a cell  
 ?= [spec wing]  
 test pattern match  
 ?# [skin wing]  
 test pattern match  
 ?+ [wing hoon (list (pair spec hoon))]  
 switch against a union, with default  
 ?& (list hoon)  
 logical AND (loobean) &(foo bar baz)  
 ?@ [wing hoon hoon]  
 branch on whether a wing of the subject is an atom  
 ?~ [wing hoon hoon]  
 branch on whether a wing of the subject is null  
 ?! hoon  
 logical NOT (loobean) !foo

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! **zap wildcards**  
 !: hoon  
 turn on stack trace  
 !. hoon  
 turn off stack trace  
 !, [\*hoon hoon]  
 emit AST of expression (use as !, \*hoon expression)  
 !; [hoon hoon]  
 emit the type for an expression using the type of type  
 !> hoon  
 wrap a noun in its type  
 !< hoon  
 lift dynamic value into static context  
 !@ [(list wing) hoon hoon]  
 evaluate conditionally  
 != hoon  
 make the Nock formula for a Hoon expression  
 !? [\$@(@ { @ @}) hoon]  
 restrict Hoon Kelvin version  
 !! ~  
 crash

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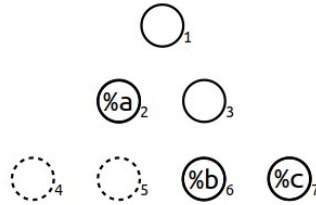
/ **fas build operations (++ford arm of %clay)**  
 /? foo  
 pin a version number  
 /- foo, \*bar, baz=qux  
 import a file from the sur directory (\* pinned with no face, = with specified face)  
 /+ foo, \*bar, baz=qux  
 import a file from the lib directory (\* pinned with no face, = with specified face)  
 /= clay-raw /sys/vane/clay

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import results of user-specified path wrapped in face
/% %mark
import mark definition from mar/
/$ %from %to
import mark conversion gate from mar/
/* myfile %hoon /gen/myfile/hoon
import the contents of a file in the desk converted to a mark (build-time static data)
/~ face type /path
import contents of a directory under face=(map @ta type)
+ lus arm definitions
+|
label a chapter (produces no arm)
+$ [term spec]
produce a structure arm (type definition)
++ [term hoon]
produce a (normal) arm
+* [term term spec]
produce a type constructor arm
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**syntax**

+1:[%a [%b %c]] [%a [%b %c]]  
 +2:[%a [%b %c]] %a  
 +3:[%a [%b %c]] [%b %c]  
 +4:[%a [%b %c]] *%ride failed*  
 +6:[%a [%b %c]] %b  
 +7:[%a [%b %c]] %c

[%a [%b %c]]



.:[%a [%b %c]] [%a [%b %c]]  
 -: [%a [%b %c]] %a  
 +:[%a [%b %c]] [%b %c]  
 -<:[%a [%b %c]] *%ride failed*  
 +<:[%a [%b %c]] %b  
 +>:[%a [%b %c]] %c

&n *nth* element|n tail after *nth* element

<[1 2 3]> renders list as a tape  
 >[1 2 3]< renders list as a tank

. current subject

+ +:.

- -:.

+&gt; +&gt;:.

a.b.c limb search path

~ 0 (nil)

%y &amp; yes/true/0

%n | no/false/1

%a constant

\$ empty term (@tas)

'urbit' cord, atom @t

"urbit" tape or list of characters

=wire shadow type name (in defn)

/path path name

% current path

**lark syntax equivalents**

+1 +5 -&gt;

+2 - +6 +&lt;

+3 + +7 +&gt;

+4 -&lt; +8 -&lt;-

^face face in outer core (^face)

..arm core in which ++arm is defined

, ,. strip the face

-:!!&gt; type spear, use as -:!!&gt;(.3.14)

`a [~ a]

~[a b c] [a b c ~]

[a b c]~ [[a b c] ~]

a/b [%a b]

**elementary molds**

\* noun

@ atom (atom)

^ cell

? loobean

~ null

**aura notation**

Each aura has a characteristic pattern allowing unique identification in its representation. Typically this is indicated by a combination of ~, ., and -.

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@	Empty aura	
@c	Unicode codepoint	~-~45fed.
@d	Date	
@da	Date, absolute	~2020.12.25..7.15.0..1ef5
@dr	Date, relative	~d71.h19.m26.s24..9d55
@f	Loobean (for compiler, not castable)	&
@i	Internet address	
@if	IPv4 address	.195.198.143.90
@is	IPv6 address	.0.0.0.0.1c.c3c6.8f5a
@n	Nil (for compiler, not castable)	~
@p	Phonemic base	~laszod-dozser-fosrum-fanbyr
@q	Phonemic base, unscrambled (used with Urbit HD wallet)	~laszod-dozser-dalteb-hilsyn
@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
@rd	Floating-point number, double-precision, 64-bit	~3.141592653589793
@rq	Floating-point number, quadruple-precision, 128-bit	.~~~3.141592653589793
@s	Integer, signed (sign bit low)	
@sb	Signed binary	--0b10.0000
@sd	Signed decimal	--1.000
@sv	Signed base-32	--0v201.4gvm1.245kc
@sw	Signed base-64	--0w2.04AfS.G8xqc
@sx	Signed hexadecimal	--0x2004.90fd
@t	UTF-8 text (cord)	'urbit'
@ta	ASCII text (knot)	~.urbit
@tas	ASCII text symbol (term)	%urbit
@u	Integer, unsigned	
@ub	Unsigned binary	0b10.1011
@uc	Bitcoin address	0c1A1zP1eP5QGefi2DMPTfTL5SLmv7DivfNa
@ud	Unsigned decimal	8.675.309
@ui	Unsigned decimal	0i123456789
@uv	Unsigned base-32	0v88nvd
@uw	Unsigned base-64	0wx5~J
@ux	Unsigned hexadecimal	0x84.5fed

Capital letters at the end of auras indicate the bitwidth in binary powers of two, starting from A.

- @tD 8-bit ASCII text
- @rhE half-precision (16-bit) floating-point number
- @uxG unsigned 64-bit hexadecimal
- @uvJ unsigned 512-bit integer (frequently used for entropy)



**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	
[a b c]	[a [b c]]	
[a b]	0	
?a	1	
+a	+a	
+a	1 + a	
=a a	0	
=a b	1	
/[1 a]	a	
/[2 a b]	a	
/[3 a b]	b	
/[(a + a) b]	/[2 /a b]	
/[(a + a + 1) b]	/[3 /a b]	
/a	/a	
#[1 a b]	a	
#[(a + a) b c]	#[a [b /[(a + a + 1) c]] c]	
#[(a + a + 1) b c]	#[a [/[(a + a) c] b] c]	
#a	#a	
*[a [b c] d]	[*[a b c] *[a d]]	
*[a 0 b]	/[b a]	slot operator (noun at tree address)
*[a 1 b]	b	constant
*[a 2 b c]	*[a b] *[a c]	evaluate
*[a 3 b]	?*[a b]	test for atom
*[a 4 b]	+*[a b]	increment
*[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
*[a 9 b c]	*[a c] 2 [0 1] 0 b]	invoke
*[a 10 [b c] d]	#[b *[a c] *[a d]]	edit noun
*[a 11 [b c] d]	*[a c] *[a d]] 0 3]	hint
*[a 11 b c]	*[a c]	
*a	*a	interpret