

## iRODS Rule Language Cheat Sheet

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### Numeric Literals

1 # integer  
1.0 # double

### Strings

Concatenation:

```
'A \'string\'', ' ' ++ "another  
\'string\'"
```

Some valid escape characters:

```
\n, \r, \t, \\\, \', \", \$, \*
```

### Boolean constants

true # True  
false # False

### Boolean comparison

! # Not  
&& # And  
|| # Or  
%% # Or used in the "##" syntax

### Arithmetic operators

- # Negation  
^ # Power  
\* # Multiplication  
/ # Division  
% # Modulus  
- # Subtraction  
+ # Addition

### Arithmetic comparison

> # Greater than  
< # Less than  
=> # Greater than or equal  
<= # Less than or equal

### Arithmetic functions

exp(<num>)  
log(<num>)  
abs(<num>)  
floor(<num>) # always returns integer  
ceiling(<num>) # always returns integer  
average(<num>, <num>, ...)  
max(<num>, <num>, ...)  
min(<num>, <num>, ...)

### String functions

writeLine("stdout", "Hi!");  
... prints out "Hi!".

"This "++"is"++" a string."  
... equals to "This is a string."

"This is a string." like "This is\*"  
... equals to true

"This is." like regex "Th.\*is[.]"  
... equals to true

substr("This is a string.", 0, 4)  
... Output: This

strlen("This is a string.")  
... Output: 17

split("This is a string.", " ")  
... equals to: [This,is,a,string.]

writeLine("stdout", triml("This is  
a string.", " "));  
... equals to: is a string.

trimr("This is a string.", " ")  
... equals to: This is a

### List functions

list(<elem>, <elem>, ...)  
... creates a new list. Example:  
list("This", "is", "a", "list")  
elem(<list>, <index>)  
... retrieves elements from a list (0-  
indexed). Ex:  
elem(list("This", "is", "a", "list"), 0)  
... returns "This"

setelem(<list>, <index>, <value>)  
... updates an item in a list. Ex:  
setelem(list("A", "list"), 0, "My")  
... evaluates to list("My", "list").

size(<list>)  
... gives the size of a list. Ex:  
size(list("This", "is", "a", "list"))  
... evaluates to 4.

hd(<list>)  
... gives the head of a list. Ex:  
hd(list("This", "is", "a", "list"))  
... evaluates to "This"

tl(<list>)  
... gives the tail of a list. Ex:  
tl(list("This", "is", "a", "list"))  
... evaluates to list("is", "a", "list")

cons(<element>, <list>)  
... adds elements to a list. Ex:  
cons("My", list("list"))  
... evaluates to list("My", "list").

### Tuples

Tuples are created like so:  
( <component>, ..., <component> )

### If statements

Logical if:

```
if <expr> then { <actions> } else {  
<actions> }
```

Example:

```
if (*A==1) then { true; } else { false; }
```

Functional if (returning value of any type):

```
if <expr> then <expr> else <expr>
```

Example:

```
if true then 1 else 0  
if *A==1 then true else false
```

The following abbreviation are allowed (the red  
striked part can be abbreviated) in functional ifs:

```
if (...) then { ... } else { ... }  
if (...) then { ... } else { if (...)  
then {...} else {...} }
```

Multiple abbreviations can be combined for  
example:

```
if (*X==1) { *A = "Mon"; }  
else if (*X==2) { *A = "Tue"; }  
else if (*X==3) { *A = "Wed"; }
```

### Foreach loops

Without iterator:

```
foreach(*C) {  
    writeLine("stdout", *C);  
}
```

With the iterator variable (\*E in this case):

```
foreach(*E in *C) {  
    writeLine("stdout", *E);  
}
```