## Urbit Hoon Reference Card

I bars make cores
I_ spec alas (map term tome)
produces a door (a core with sample)
|\% (unit term) (map term tome)
produces a core (battery and payload)
I@ (unit term) (map term tome)
produces a wet core (battery and payload)
I: [hoon hoon]
produces a gate with a custom sample
I. hoon
produces a trap (a core with one arm)
I- hoon
produces a trap (a core with one arm) and evaluates it
${ }^{1 \wedge}$ 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)
I= [spec value]
produces a dry gate (a one-armed core with sample)
l? hoon
produces a lead trap
I\$ (lest term) spec
produces a mold
\$ bucs form molds
\$( [spec spec]
structure that normalizes a union tagged by head atom
\$_ hoon
structure that normalizes to an example foo
\$: (list spec)
forms 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]
defines 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)
forms a type from a union of other types ? $\$$ foo \$bar \$baz)
\$. [spec (map term spec)]
structure as read-write core
\$; hoon
manual structure
\% cens put the fun in function
\%_ [wing (list (pair wing hoon))]
resolves a wing with changes, preserving type
\%. [hoon hoon]
calls a gate, inverted
\%^ [hoon hoon hoon hoon]
calls a gate with triple sample
\%+ [hoon hoon hoon]
calls a gate with a cell sample
\%- [hoon hoon]
calls a gate (fun arg)
\%: [hoon (list hoon)]
calls a gate with many arguments
\%~ [wing hoon hoon]
evaluates an arm in a door $\quad \sim$ (arm core arg)
\%* [wing hoon (list (pair winghoon))]
evaluates an expression, then resolves a wing with changes
\%= [wing (list (pair wing hoon))] resolves a wing with changes foo(x 1, y 2, z 3)
: cols make cells
:_ [hoon hoon]
constructs a cell, inverted
:^ [hoon hoon hoon hoon]
constructs a cell, 4-tuple [a b c d]
:+ [hoon 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)
constructs a null-terminated list $\sim\left[\begin{array}{l}\text { b b c] }\end{array}\right.$
:* (list hoon)
constructs an n-tuple [a b c de ...]
:: marks a comment (digraph, not rune)

- dots nock
.+ atom
increments an atom using Nock $4 \quad+(42)$
.* [hoon hoon]
evaluates using Nock 2
.= [hoon hoon]
tests for equality using Nock $5 \quad=(\mathrm{a}$ b)
.? hoon
tests for cell or atom using Nock 3
-^ [spec hoon]
loads from namespace using Nock 12
-/= terminators terminate
-- terminates core expression (digraph, not rune)
== terminates running series of Hoon expressions (digraph, not rune)
^ kets cast
^) hoon
converts a gold core to an iron core (invariant)
^. [hoon hoon]
typecasts on value
^. [spec hoon]
typecasts by explicit type label `foo`bar
$\wedge_{+} \quad$ [hoon hoon]
typecasts by inferred type (a fence)
^\& hoon
converts a core to a zinc core (covariant)
n~ hoon
folds constant at compile time
^= [skin hoon]
binds name to a value foo=bar
^? hoon
converts a core to a lead core (bivariant)
^* spec
bunt, produces default mold value *foo
^: spec
, 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
~ $\$ \quad$ [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)]
calls a binary function as an $\$ n \$$-ary function $\quad:($ fun a b c d)
;/ hoon
(Sail) yields tape as XML element

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;< [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
    = tises alter
=| [spec hoon]
    combines default type value with the subject
=. [wing hoon hoon]
    changes one leg in the subject
=? [wing hoon 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]
    composes two expressions, inverted foo:bar
=> [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
    ? wuts test
?| (list hoon)
    logical OR (loobean) I(foo bar baz)
?: [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
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?- [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)
logical AND (loobean) \&(foo bar baz)
?@ [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
logical NOT (loobean) !foo
! 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
!> hoon
wraps a noun in its type
!< hoon
lift dynamic value into static context
!@ [(list wing) hoon hoon]
!= hoon
makes the Nock formula for a Hoon expression
!? [\$@(@ \{@ @\}) hoon]
restricts Hoon version
!! ~
crashes
/ fases file (+ford arm of \%clay)
/? foo
pin a version number
/- foo, *bar, baz=qux
imports a file from the sur directory (* pinned with no face, $=$ with specified face)
/+ 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
/\% \%mark
imports mark definition from mar/
/\$ \%from \%to
imports mark conversion gate from mar/

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/* myfile %hoon /gen/myfile/hoon
    imports the contents of a file in the desk converted to a mark (build-time static data)
/~ face type /path
    imports contents of a directory under face=(map @ta type)
    + 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
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## syntax

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+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
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\begin{aligned}
& \text { ::[\%a [\%b \%c]] [\%a [\%b \%c]] } \\
& -:[\% a[\% b \text { \%c]] \%a } \\
& +:[\% a[\% b \text { \%c]] [\%b \%c] } \\
& -<:[\% a[\% b \text { \%c]] \%ride failed } \\
& +<:[\% a[\% b \text { \%c]] \%b } \\
& +>:[\% a[\% b \text { \%c]] \%c }
\end{aligned}
\]
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## lark syntax equivalents

\&n nth element
|n tail after $n$th element
$<\left[\begin{array}{lll}1 & 2 & 3\end{array}\right]>$ renders list as a tape
$>\left[\begin{array}{lll}1 & 2 & 3\end{array}\right]<$ renders list as a tank

| +1 | $+5->$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $+2-$ | $+6+<$ |
| $+3+$ | +7 |
| $+4->$ | $+8-<-$ |

- current subject
+ +:.
$\wedge$ face face in outer core (^^face)
...arm core in which ++arm is defined
+> +>:
a.b.c limb search path
..arm core in which ++arm is defined
, ,. strip the face
~ 0 (nil)
$\% . y \quad \&$ yes/true/0
\%.n | no/false/1
\%a constant
\$ empty term (@tas)
eny entropy
-:!> type spear, use as -:!>(.3.14)
now current time
our ship

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~[abc][ab c ~]
[a b c]~ [[a b c] ~]
                                    a/b [%a b]
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elementary molds

> 'urbit' cord, atom @t
"urbit"tape or list of characters =wire shadow type name (in defn) /path path name
\% current path

## Urbit Hoon Reference Card

## @p notation

| @ | Empty aura |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| @c | Unicode codepoint | $\sim-\sim 45 f e d$. |
| @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 | .0.0.0.0.0.1c.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 | . $\sim 3.141592653589793$ |
| @ra | 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 | --0v201.4gvml.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 0c1A | 1zP1eP5QGefi2DMPTfTL5SLmv7DivfNa |
| @ud | Unsigned decimal | 8.675 .309 |
| @ui | Unsigned decimal | 0i123456789 |
| $@ u v$ | 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.
@ubD signed single-byte (8-bit) decimal
@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 eny)
Auras are non-coercive, but conversions may have to go via the empty aura: ^-(@ud ^-(@ 'foo')).

## 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.

| $\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{nock}(a) \\ & {\left[\begin{array}{lll} a & b & c \end{array}\right]} \end{aligned}$ | $\left.\left.\begin{array}{l} \text { *a } \\ {[\mathrm{a}} \\ {[\mathrm{b}} \\ \hline \end{array}\right]\right]$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ?[a b] | 0 |  |
| ?a | 1 |  |
| +[a b] | +[a b] |  |
| +a | $1+\mathrm{a}$ |  |
| =[ $\left.\begin{array}{ll}\mathrm{a} & \mathrm{a}\end{array}\right]$ | 0 |  |
| =[ab] | 1 |  |
| /[1 a] | a |  |
| /[2 a b] | a |  |
| /[3 a b] | b |  |
| /[ $(\mathrm{a}+\mathrm{a}) \mathrm{b}]$ | /[2/[a b]] |  |
| /[(a + a + 1) b] | /[3 /[a b]] |  |
| /a | /a |  |
| \#[1 a b] | a |  |
| \#[(a + a b b c] | \#[a [b/[(a + a + 1) c]] c] |  |
| \#[(a + a + 1) b c] | \#[a [/[(a + a c c b] c] |  |
| \#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 |
| *[[all 3 b] | ?*[a b] | test for atom |
| *[a 4 b] | +*[a b] | increment |
| *[a 5 b c] | =[*[a b] *[acl] | distribution |
| *[a 6 b c d] | *[a *[[c d] 0 *[[2 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] | *[ac] |  |
| *a | *a | interpret |

