Hoon used to have two syntaxes and one mode for runes which expected *model* hoons, *value* hoons, or both. Now Hoon uses one consistent syntax for constructing hoons and infers based on the rune whether to use the hoon as a model or value.

bar	- core	description	irregular form
%	<arms></arms>	form a core with subject as the payload	<b>3</b>
j~	[model value]	form an iron gate	
=	[model value]	form a gate, a dry one-armed core with sample	
.	hoon	form a trap, a one-armed core with one arm \$	
-	hoon	form a trap and kick ("call") it	
_	model (map term foot)	form a door, a many-armed core with sample	
*	[model value]	form a gill, a wet one-armed core with sample	
^	hoon (map term foot)	form a core with battery and anonymous arm \$ and k	ick it
:	[hoon hoon]	form a core with burnt sample	
?  ¢	hoon (lest term) body	form a lead trap form a mold builder wet gate	
\$  *	[spec hoon]	form a wet gate	
10	[(unit term) (map term tome)]	form a wet core	
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	- mold		
	(list model)	form a mold to recognize a tuple	[a=foo b=bar c=baz]
	[@tas model]	mold that wraps a face around another mold	foo=bar
	(list [[aura @] model])	mold recognizing a union tagged by head atom	
\$@	[model model]	mold that normalizes a union tagged by depth	
\$^ ¢2	<pre>[model model] (list model)</pre>	mold that normalizes a union tagged by head depth mold that normalizes a generic union	?(\$foo \$bar \$baz)
\$? \$-	[model model]	mold that normalizes to an example gate	:(\$100 \$001 \$002)
	value	mold that normalizes to an example gate	_foo
'-			=
cen	- call		
%=	<pre>[wing (list (pair wing hoon))]</pre>	take a wing with changes	foo(x 1, y 2, z 3)
%_	[wing (list (pair wing hoon))]	take a wing with changes, preserving type	
%~	[wing hoon hoon]	call with multi-armed door	~(arm core arg)
%-	[hoon hoon]	call a gate (function)	(fun arg)
%.	[hoon hoon]	call a gate, reversed	
%+ %^	[hoon hoon hoon] [hoon hoon hoon]	call a gate with pair sample call a gate with triple sample	
%^ %*	[wing hoon (list (pair wing hoon))]	·	
%:	[hoon (list hoon)]	call a gate with many arguments	
	,,,	, ,	
col	- cell		
:-	[hoon hoon]	construct a cell (2-tuple)	[a b], a^b
:+	[hoon hoon]	construct a triple (3-tuple)	[a b c]
:^	[hoon hoon hoon]	construct a quadruple (4-tuple)	[a b c d]
:*	(list hoon)	construct an n-tuple	[abcde]
:~	(list hoon) [hoon hoon]	construct a null-terminated list construct a cell, inverted	~[a b c]
:_		construct a cert, inverted	
dot	- nock		
•*	[hoon hoon]	evaluate with nock 2	
.?	hoon	check for cell or atom with nock 3	
.+	atom	increment an atom with nock 4	+(42)
.=	[hoon hoon]	test for equality with nock 5	=(a b)
٠^	[model value]	load from the arvo namespace with nock 11	
ket	- cast		
^+	[value value]	typecast by example (value)	
^_	[model value]	typecast by mold	`foo`bar
^=	[toga value]	name a value	foo=bar
^?	hoon	convert any core to a lead core (bivariant)	
^	hoon	convert a gold core to an iron core (contravariant	)
^ ~	hoon	fold constant at compile time	
^.	[p=hoon q=hoon]	typecast on value produced by passing q to p	
^& ^*	hoon	convert a core to a zinc core (covariant)	
۸:	p=spec p=spec	produce the bunt of p mold gate for type p	
•	p spec	mota gate for type p	

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mic - misc
                                         description
                                                                                             irregular form
                                         make a list of XML nodes (Sail)
:= marl
   [hoon (list hoon)]
                                         call a binary function as an n-ary
                                         tape as XML element
;/ hoon
                                         monadic bind
;< spec hoon hoon hoon
;~ hoon (list hoon)
                                         glue pipeline together with a product-sample adapter
;; spec hoon
                                         normalize with a mold, asserting fixpoint.
sem - make
;; [model value]
                                         normalize with a mold, asserting fixpoint
                                         glue a pipeline together with a product-sample adapter
;~ [hoon (list hoon)
   [hoon (list hoon)
                                         call a binary function as an n-ary function
                                                                                            :(fun a b c d)
;/ hoon
                                         tape as XML element
sig - hint
                                         debugging printf
~& [hoon hoon]
~% [term wing (list [term hoon]) hoon]
                                         jet registration
~/ [term hoon]
                                         jet registration for gate with registered context
~$ [term hoon]
                                         profiling hit counter
~ |
   [hoon hoon]
                                         tracing printf
~_ [hoon hoon]
                                         user-formatted tracing printf
~? [hoon hoon hoon]
                                         conditional debug printf
~> $@(term [term hoon]) hoon]
                                         raw hint, applied to computation
~< $@(term [term hoon]) hoon]</pre>
                                         raw hint, applied to product
                                         cache a computation
~+ hoon
~= [hoon hoon]
                                         detect duplicate
                                         print type on compilation fail
~! [hoon hoon]
tis - flow
=> [hoon hoon]
                                         compose two hoons
=^ [taco wing hoon hoon]
                                         pin the head of a pair; change a leg with the tail
=* [term hoon hoon]
                                         define an alias
=~ (list hoon)
                                         compose many hoons
=< [hoon hoon]</pre>
                                         compose two hoons, inverted
                                                                                             foo:bar
=+ [hoon hoon]
                                         combine a new noun with the subject
   [hoon hoon]
                                         combine a new noun with the subject, inverted
   [model value]
                                         combine a defaulted mold with the subject
= |
=/ [taco value hoon]
                                         combine a named and/or typed noun with the subject
                                         combine a named and/or typed noun with the subject, inverted
=; [taco value hoon]
=. [wing hoon hoon]
                                         change one leg in the subject
=: [(list (pair wing hoon)) hoon]
                                         change multiple legs in the subject
=? [wing hoon hoon hoon]
                                         conditionally change one leg in the subject
=, [hoon hoon]
                                         expose namespace
wut - test
                                         branch on a boolean test
?: [hoon hoon hoon]
?< [hoon hoon]</pre>
                                         negative assertion
                                         positive assertion
?> [hoon hoon]
?- [wing (list (pair model value))]
                                         switch against a union, with no default
?+ [wing value (list (pair model value))] switch against a union, with a default
?. [hoon hoon hoon]
                                         branch on a boolean test, inverted
   [wing hoon hoon]
                                         branch on whether a wing of the subject is null
?@ [wing hoon hoon]
                                         branch on whether a wing of the subject is an atom
                                         branch on whether a wing of the subject is a cell
?^ [wing hoon hoon]
?= [model wing]
                                         test model match
?! hoon
                                         logical not
                                                                                             ! foo
?& (list hoon)
                                         logical and
                                                                                             &(foo bar baz)
                                                                                             |(foo bar baz)
?| (list hoon)
                                         logical or
zap - wild
!! $~
                                         crash
                                         wrap a noun in its type (create a vase)
!> hoon
                                         make the nock formula for a hoon
!= hoon
!? [@ hoon]
                                         restrict the hoon version
!, [hoon hoon]
                                         ast quote
!< [spec hoon]
                                         check that the type in a vase matches a mold
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zap - wild description irregular form

!; [hoon hoon] type quote

!@ [(list wing) hoon hoon] conditional compilation

other syntax

+<:[a [b c]] b ~marzod-taglux `@p`pronounceable base-256 number +>:[a [b c]] c 12.345.567 `@ud`decimal

--12.345.567 `@sd`signed decimal
-.core battery 0xdeadbeef `@ux`hexadecimal

+.core payload .1.23e4 `@rs`floating-point decimal

+>.core context (outer core)

+<.core sample "hoon" tape (text as list of characters)

'hoon' cord (text as atom)

^face face in outer core %hoon term (text as ASCII symbol, kabob-case)

+> +>:. foo/bar [%foo bar]
..arm core in which ++arm is defined /foo/bar [%foo %bar ~] wire (path)