

DYALOG



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# Fun with array notation and programmatic variable assignment

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# 💡 Array Notation?

[	(	(
'a'	'eh'	a: 'eh'
'b'	'bee'	b: 'bee'
]	)	)

['a' ♦ 'b']	( )
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# Traditional code

▽ `seq ← Range (from step to)`  
`seq ← from, from + step × 1, step ÷ 2 to - from`

▽

```
          Range 10 2 18
10 12 14 16 18
```

# Traditional code

```
▽ seq←Range args;from;step;to
  :Select ≠args
  :Case 3 ◇ (from step to)←args
  :Case 2 ◇ (from step to)←1(↑,1,↓)args
  :Case 1 ◇ (from step to)←0 1,args
  :EndSelect
seq←from,from+step×1step÷~to-from
```

▽

# Traditional code

▽ `seq ← Range args; from; step; to`

`(from step to) ← (58 ρ args, 0 1) [41 12 58]`

`seq ← from, from + step × ⍒ step ÷ ⍒ to - from`

▽

# Traditional code

```
▽ seq ← Range args; from; step; to  
  (from step to) ← (58 ρ args, 0 1) [41 12 58]  
  seq ← from, from + step × ⍒ step ÷ ⍒ to - from
```

▽

```
          Range 10 18  
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

```
▽ seq ← Range params ; from ; step ; to
  (from step) ← 0 1
  □THIS □NS params
  seq ← from , from + step × 1 step ÷ ~ to - from
```

▽

```
  p ← □NS 0
  p.from ← 10 ◊ p.to ← 18
  Range p
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

```
▽ seq ← Range params ; from ; step ; to  
  (from step) ← 0 1  
  □ THIS □ NS params  
  seq ← from , from + step × 1 step ÷ ~ to - from
```

▽

```
      p ← (from:10 ◊ to:18)  
      Range p  
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```



# Parameter namespace argument

```
▽ seq ← Range params ; from ; step ; to  
  (from step) ← 0 1  
  □ THIS □ NS params  
  seq ← from , from + step × 1 step ÷ ~ to - from
```

▽

```
          Range(from:10 ♦ to:18)  
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ `seq ← Range params ; from ; step ; to`

```
□ THIS □ NS (from:0 ♦ step:1) params
seq ← from, from+step×1 step÷~ to-from
```

▽

```
Range(from:10 ♦ to:18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ seq ← Range params

```
ns ← □ NS (from: 0 ◇ step: 1) params
```

```
seq ← ns. (from, from + step × i step ÷ ~ to - from)
```

▽

```
Range (from: 10 ◇ to: 18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ seq ← Range params

```
ns ← (from:0 ◇ step:1) □ NS params
```

```
seq ← ns.(from, from+step×i step÷~ to-from)
```

▽

```
Range(from:10 ◇ to:18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ seq←Range params

```
seq←((from:0 ♦ step:1)□NS params).(from,from+s
```

▽

```
Range(from:10 ♦ to:18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ seq ← Range params

```
seq ← (
```

```
  from: 0
```

```
  step: 1
```

```
) □ NS params) . (from, from + step * 1 step ÷ ~ to - from)
```

▽

```
Range(from: 10 ♦ to: 18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ seq ← Range params

```
seq ← (  
  from: 0  
  step: 1
```

```
) □ NS params). (from, from + step × 1 step ÷ ~ to - from)
```

▽

```
Range(from: 10 ♦ to: 18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ seq ← Range params

```
seq ← (
```

```
  from: 0
```

```
  step: 1  a must be positive
```

```
) □ NS params). (from, from + step * 1 step ÷ ~ to - from)
```

▽

```
Range(from: 10 ♦ to: 18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```



# Parameter namespace argument

```
Range ← { ( (
  from: 0
  step: 1  a must be positive
) □ NS ω) . (from, from + step × ι step ÷ ∼ to - from) }
```

```
      Range(from: 10 ♦ to: 18)
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```



# Programmatic assignment?

```
'ns1' []NS 'v1' 'v2'
```

```
[]NS ns2
```

```
ns1 []NS 'v1' 'v2'
```

```
[]NS ns2 ns3 ns4
```

```
{ns $\alpha$ , ' $\omega$ '}/"nv1 nv2
```

```
names{ns $\alpha$ , ' $\omega$ '}"vals
```

```
ns []VSET nv1 nv2
```

```
ns []VSET ( $\uparrow$ names)vals
```

```
() []VSET ...
```

# 💡 Programmatic retrieval

`vals ← ns ⚡ names`

`vals ← ns □VGET names`

`nvs ← {ω(⚡ ω)} □NL -2`

`nvs ← □VGET -2`

`(names vals) ← {ω(⚡ ↓ω)} □NL 2`

`(names vals) ← □VGET 2`

# Import to namespace

```
200↑⇒␣NGET' /d/aplde2025a/people.csv'
```

```
first, last, sex, dob, address, city, country
```

```
Uriab, Morris, M, 20230512, "23, 14th Str", Jingdezhe
```

```
Martha, Mitchell, F, 20131129, "473, 27th Av", Lyon, F
```

```
Lilah, Scott, F, 20110527, "3483, 73rd Av", Northavon
```

# Import to namespace

```
(Δtable Δcols) ← CSV csvFile 0 0 1
```

```
Δtable[; Δcols ⊆ 'last' 'first']
```

```
↳ /~ Δtable[; Δcols ⊆ 'country'] ∈ c 'Germany'
```

```
Barnes Idena
```

```
Cooper Clyde
```

# Import to namespace

```
(Δvals Δcols) ← CSV:2 csvFile 0 0 1
  VSET(↑Δcols) Δvals
  (last, first) /~ country ∈ 'Germany'
```

```
Barnes   Idena
Cooper   Clyde
```

# Import to namespace

```
{VSET( $\uparrow\omega$ ) $\alpha$ } / CSV:2-csvFile 0 0 1
```

```
(last, , first) / ~country  $\in$  'Germany'
```

```
Barnes   Idena  
Cooper   Clyde
```

# Import to namespace

```
db ← { () ⊔ VSET(↑ω)α } / ⊔ CSV ⊔ 2 ⊔ csvFile ⊔ ⊔ 1
```

```
db.((last, , first) / ~country ∈ 'Germany')
```

```
Barnes   Idena  
Cooper   Clyde
```



# Import to namespace

```
db←{()⊔VSET(↑ω)α}/⊔CSV⊔2⊔csvFile ⊔ ⊔ 1
Where←{⊔()⊔VSET ω∘/“@2”α ⊔VGET -2}
db Where db.country∈c'Germany'
#. [Namespace]
```

# Import to namespace

```
db←{()⊔VSET(↑ω)α}/⊔CSV⊔2⊔csvFile ⊖ ⊖ 1
```

```
Where←{⊔()⊔VSET ω∘/"@2"α ⊔VGET -2}
```

```
View←{⊔{(↓α),⊔↑ω}/ω ⊔VGET 2}
```

```
View db Where db.country∈c'Germany'
```

address	city	country	do
38, Linda Dr, Suite 209	Bochum	Germany	20
203, Mandel Av	Pforzheim	Germany	20

# Programmatic retrieval

```
values ← ns["names"]
```

```
values ← ns[VGET] names
```

```
values ← ns[VGET] nameMat
```

```
name_value_pairs ← ns[VGET] -2
```

```
(nameMat values) ← ns[VGET] 2
```

# Default values

```
values ← ns ⊕ names
```

```
values ← ns ⊕ VGET (name1 val1) (name2 val2)
```

```
values ← ns ⊕ VGET nameMat values
```

# Parameter namespace argument

▽ `seq ← Range params ; from ; step ; to`

```
□ THIS □ NS (from:0 ◇ step:1) params
seq ← from, from+step×1 step÷~ to-from
```

▽

```
Range(from:10 ◇ to:18)
```

```
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
```

# Default values

```
▽ seq←Range params;from;step;to
  (from step to)←params □VGET(
    'from' 0
    'step' 1
    'to'
  )
  seq←from, from+step×⌊step÷~to-from
```

▽

# Default values

▽ `seq←Range params;from;step;to`

```
(from step to)←params □VGET('from' 0 ◇ 'step'  
seq←from,from+step×⌊step÷~to-from
```

▽

# Default values

```
▽ seq←Range params;from;step;to
  :Trap 0
    (from step to)←params □VGET('from' 0 ◇ 'step
    seq←from,from+step×ιstep÷~to-from
  :Else
    □SIGNAL c-2□VGET~□DMX.□NS 'EN' 'EM' 'Message'
  :EndTrap
```

▽



# Default values

```
▽ seq←{debug}Range params;from;step;to
:Trap 0↓~[]VGETc'debug' 0
  (from step to)←params []VGET('from' 0 ♦ 'step
  seq←from,from+step×,step÷~to-from
:Else
  []SIGNALc-2[]VGET~[]DMX.[]NS'EN' 'EM' 'Message'
:EndTrap
```

▽

# Default values

```
▽ seq←{debug}Range params;from;step;to
:Trap □VGETc'debug' 0
  (from step to)←params □VGET('from' 0 ◊ 'step
  seq←from,from+step×,step÷,to-from
:Else
  □SIGNALc-2□VGET~□DMX.□NS'EN' 'EM' 'Message'
:EndTrap
```

▽

# Summary

Matrix, Vector: `[ 'a' ♦ 'b' ]` `( 'eh' ♦ 'bee' )`

Namespace: `( a: 'eh' ♦ b: 'bee' )` `()`

Merge Namespace: `ns1 □NS ns2` `□NS ns1 ns2`

Value Get: `□VGET names` `□VGET nameMat`  
`□VGET -2` `□VGET 2`  
`□VGET nv1 nv2` `□VGET nameMat values`

Value Set: `□VSET nv1 nv2` `□VSET nameMat values`

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Merge Namespace: `ns1 □NS ns2`    `□NS ns1 ns2`

Value Get:    `□VGET names`    `□VGET nameMat` *defaults*  
              `□VGET -2`            `□VGET 2`  
              `□VGET nv1 nv2`    `□VGET nameMat values`

Value Set:    `□VSET nv1 nv2`    `□VSET nameMat values`