J1a SwapForth Reference

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J1a SwapForth is an ANS Forth System

Providing names from the **Core Extensions** word set

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Chapter 1

Getting started

Connect to the SwapForth board using a terminal program of your choice. Set the serial parameters to:

- 115200 baud
- 8 data bits, no parity, no stop bit (often called "8N1", and often the default)

```
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swapForth v0.1
```

Chapter 2

Available Words

2.1 ANS Core Words

J1a SwapForth implements most of the core ANS 94 Forth standard. Implemented words are:

```
   !  #  #>  #s  ’  (  *  */  */mod  +  +!  +loop  ,  -  .  ."
 /  /mod  0<  0=  1+  1-  2!  2*  2/  2@  2drop  2dup  2over
2swap  :  ;  <  <#  =  >  >in  >number  >r  ?dup  @  abort"  abs
accept  align  aligned  allot  and  base  begin  bl  c!  c,  c@
cell+  cells  char  constant  count  cr  create  decimal  depth
do  does>  drop  dup  else  emit  evaluate  execute  exit  fill
find  fm/mod  here  hold  i  if  immediate  invert  j  key  literal
 loop  lshift  m*  max  min  mod  move  negate  or  over  postpone
 quit  r>  r@  recurse  repeat  rot  rshift  s"  s>d  sign  sm/rem
 source  space  spaces  state  swap  then  type  u.  u<  um*
um/mod  unloop  until  variable  while  word  xor  [  [’]  [char]
]
```

These core words are not implemented:

```
  >body  abort"  char+  chars  environment?  leave
```

J1a SwapForth also implements the following standard words:

```
  ahead  dump  .s  /string  parse-name  sliteral  throw  words
```

2.2 Additional Words

The following words are not part of the standard, and are specific to J1a SwapForth. Some are traditional Forth words, others are specific to the J1a SwapForth implementation.

.x

```
( n -- )
```

display n as a 4-digit hex number

-rot

```
( x1 x2 x3 -- x3 x1 x2 )
```

rotate the top three stack entries

---

bounds

```
( start cnt -- start+cnt start )
```

prepare to loop on a range

---

code@

```
( addr -- u )
```

fetch from code memory

---

cp

```
( -- a )
```

variable: code memory current pointer

---

dp

```
( -- a )
```

variable: data memory current pointer

---

forth

```
( -- a )
```

variable: most recent dictionary entry

---

io!

```
( x a -- )
```

store `x` to IO port `a`

---

io@

```
( a -- x )
```

fetch from IO port `a`

---

leds

```
( x -- )
```

write `x` to the onboard LEDs

---

new

```
( -- )
```

restore code and data pointers to the power-up state

---

s,

```
( a u -- )
```

add `u`-character the string `a` to the data space

---

serialize

```
( -- )
```

display all of current memory in base 36

---

tth

```
( -- a )
```

variable: tethered mode

Chapter 3

The SwapForth Shell

3.1 Command reference

3.2 Notes on Tethered Mode

Chapter 4

Memory

4.1 RAM Types

The J1a implementation uses 8Kbytes of RAM in a split configuration.

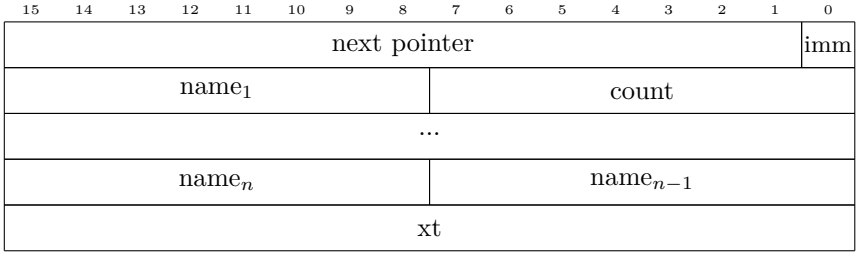
The lower 4K is for code. This RAM is writable, and executable, but not (directly) readable. The variable `CP` (code pointer) points into this area. To read from this region, use the special word `code@`.

The upper 4K is for data. This RAM is writable and readable. The dictionary and all variables are located in this section. The variable `DP` points into this area.

4.2 Dictionary Layout

The SwapForth dictionary is a linked list; the variable `forth` holds the start of this list. Each dictionary entry contains:

- **next pointer** - address of the next dictionary entry, or zero for the last dictionary entry
- **imm** - immediate bit
- **count** - length of the name, in characters, 1-31
- **name**$_1$ **- name**$_n$ - characters in name. If the length of the name is even, then a padding byte is appended
- **xt** - execution token for the word


15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
next pointer
imm
name$_1$
count
...
name$_n$
name$_{n-1}$
xt

Chapter 5

iCEstick Hardware interface

The J1a for iCEstick includes connections to the iCEstick peripherals:

- SPI flash
- LEDs
- IrDA tranceiver
- Pmod connector
- prototyping connectors
- UART

Access to peripherals is via the `io@` and `io!` words. Peripherals are port-mapped into a 16-bit IO address space.

Most ports are either read-only or write-only. For read-only ports, writing to the port has no effect. For write-only ports, reading from the port gives zero.

As an example of direct port access, this word blinks the on-board LEDs when a signal on IrDA is detected.

```
: x
  begin
    $2000 io@      \ read from input port
    8 and 0=       \ true if bit 3 (IrDA RXD) is 0
    $0004 io!      \ write to LEDS
  again
;
```

5.1 Port Map

5.1.1 $0001: Pmod data

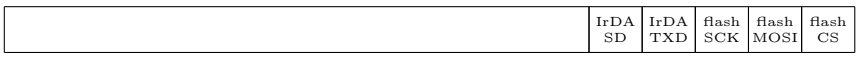
Not yet implemented.

5.1.2 $0002: Pmod direction

Not yet implemented.

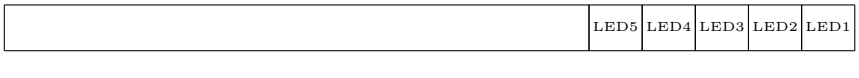
5.1.3 $0008: PIO output

Write-only port $0008 controls the flash and IrDA outputs.



5.1.4 $0004: LEDs

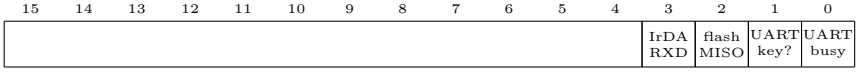
The five on-board LEDS are controlled by write-only port at address $0004. Setting a bit to 1 lights the corresponding LED.



5.1.5 $1000: UART data

5.1.6 $2000: IrDA, flash and UART inputs

Read-only port $2000 contains the input signals from the IrDA receiver, SPI flash, and UART.



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