

# CLAMS-Forth for Forth Nerds

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# The Prime Directives

## Forth 2012 compatibility?

- ▶ Extended subject of Forth 2012 (Forth 200x Committee 2012) standard
- ▶ Not all CORE words implemented
- ▶ Some non-standard word sets implemented
- ▶ But ...
  - ▶ CLAMS-Forth words *in* Forth 2012 work the same way.

## Run on a Raspberry Pi Pico WH

- ▶ Documentation: (Raspberry Pi Ltd Accessed 2023-11-18)
- ▶ RP2040 CPU: Dual-core Arm Cortex M0+ with 264 KiB of SRAM
- ▶ Co-processors for division and digital signal processing
- ▶ I/O state machine (PIO) and **oodles** of real-world connectivity
- ▶ 2 MiB of flash
- ▶ 2.4 GHz WiFi / Bluetooth
- ▶ \$7US with debug connector / headers for breadboarding

## Build with Raspberry Pi Pico C/C++ SDK

- ▶ Documentation: (Raspberry Pi Ltd Accessed 2023-10-22)

## Premature optimizations

- ▶ Dictionary split between RAM and flash
- ▶ Subroutine threading
- ▶ Inline coding / assembly
- ▶ Top of stack in register
- ▶ Engine in assembly

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