

#JustBasic manual

Code formatting

You can freely format code: many commands in single line, tabs, etc. PICO tested w/ Putty. Copy & Paste supported.

Example

```
print "Hi" for k=1 to 10 print k next k
end
```

Program structure

Command 'end' is required following the last line of code. subroutines shall follow the 'end' command.

```
code
end
subroutines
```

Example

```
print "Hi!"
gosub doitagain
end
doitagain:
    print "Hi!"
return
```

System modes

Two modes using different prompts: user ('>' prompt) and enhanced ('#' prompt)

-U-MODE (aka single-line mode) can be entered by issuing: 'U' command; useful to run single line programs, for example:
m=3 data 2, 3, 4 sum=0 for i=1 to m read a sum=sum+a next i print "s=", sum, ", av= ", sum/m end

E – enter E-mode

-E-MODE (aka enhanced mode); can be entered by issuing: 'E' command; this mode supports many system commands:

? - shows quick info about the VM (version, list of available commands)

H – help – shows some program examples

U – enter U-mode

C – code – list current program code

R – run program

N – new – clear VM memory and code

B – bye – reboots the PICO in USB disk mode, in Windows version exists the VM

L - load program for persistent memory (auto.bas) - TBD

S – save program to persistent memory (auto.bas) - TBD

T- tech data (after 'R' - VM state incl. the runtime results, after 'N', 'L' - the state after initial tokenization) – currently disabled

Built-in editor

Every command is appended to the existing code. 'C' shows code and internal line numbers used for @N commands.

@N (e.g. @3) – removes Nth line of code (use C to see the line numbers)

@N cmd (e.g. @4 PRINT 5 – inserts 'PRINT 5' before line 4) inserts the new code line following the @N before the Nth line

Built-in debugger (some improvements needed)

T0 – disables tracing

T1 – enables stepping mode

T2 – normal run with tracing

The programming language

-ESC - break program when loading or running;

MISC

- DEBUG (enables/disables internal debug messages) - TBD
- REM - comment
- CLS – clear screen
- SYSMODE options: MATH(INT+INT/FLOAT); GRAPHIC(NONE, EXPLORER, OLED) - TBD

VARIABLES, EXPRESSIONS

- var types (suffix matters): INT (no suffix, name=expr), FLOAT (suffix '#', name#=expr), STRING (suffix '\$', name\$=expr)
- variable name: up to 8chars letter&digits starting w/ a letter(digits, '#', '\$', '_', ':', ' ' accepted),
- var initialization: 1st-reference creates var(value=0); any variable can be assigned an expressions: var=expr;
- expressions: INT/FLOAT, +, -, *, /, %, (,), vars;
- array:1-dimension; INT/FLOAT supported; **STRING NOT supported**; DIM name(size); name(item)=expr
- strings supports only '+' in expressions + string functions and variables

Example

hi5=2

w#=2.5

name\$="John"

Example

DIM a(3)

a(0)=3

DIM(b#(3)

b#(0)=2.5

Example

sy=2*abs(-15) + a*20

v#=fexpr; b#=a#-2*(2+3)+abs(-1.0)+aa#(2);

Example

v\$="a"+a\$+left\$(str\$(13),1);

PRINT sexpr; VAL("-1")->-1

LOOPS & PROGRAM FLOW

- label name: up to 8chars letter & digits starting w/ a letter('_' accepted),
- loop/if nesting supported
- FOR var=expr TO expr [STEP expr] [] NEXT var; if STEP[default=1] is negative var decreases; FLOAT supported

Example

FOR i = 5 TO 1 STEP -1 NEXT i END

-WHILE expr1 op expr2 [code] ENDWHILE; **FLOAT supported**;

Example:

a=0 while a<5 print a a=a+1 endwhile end

-GOTO – label (aka name with colon); can be located everywhere (before and after the GOTO): Label: [code] GOTO label

Example

k=1

again:

print k k=k+1

if k<5 then goto again: endif

end

-GOSUB – label can be located everywhere (before and after the GOTO): Label: [code] RETURN GOSUB label

Example

gosub task0

end

task0: print "done" return

-IF conditions THEN [code] [ELSE] [code] ENDIF; FLOAT supported; AND/OR/NOT supported

Example

if a>1 and b#>3.4 then print "good" else print "bad" endif

-END last instruction (GOSUB labels can be located behind the END)

INPUT, OUTPUT, DATA

-PRINT expr, sexpr,...(separate items by ','; ';' at the end to skip NEW LINE;

Example

PRINT "How:", 6/3 ;

PRINT 1 (prints 1 w/ NEW LINE); PRINT 1; (prints 1 w/o NEW LINE)

-INPUT – assigns int/float/string values to var or array element: INPUT var, array_element, a\$, ...;

Example

INPUT a(2), d#, name\$

print a(2), d#, name\$

-DATA expr, fexpr, str; READ a, b#, d\$; RESTORE clears data pointer; INT/FLOAT/STR supported

Example

*DATA 1.5, 2*a; READ v, v#, v(), v#();*

BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS

-LEFT\$/RIGHT\$/MID\$, LEN/VAL(sexpr)

-HEX\$/STR\$/CHR\$(expr);

-SIN/COS/SQR/EXP/LOG;

Example

PRINT "FLOAT FUNC"

PRINT "SQR: ", SQR(5)

PRINT "EXP: ", EXP(1)

PRINT "LOG: ", LOG(2.718)

*PRINT "SIN: ", SIN(30*3.14/180)*

*PRINT "COS: ", COS(60*3.14/180)*

-RND/SGN/ABS

Example

PRINT "RND: ", RND(1000)

-GETTICK() – returns tick number

-PAUSE msec

Example

*PAUSE 2*500*

a=gettick()

-INKEY() – return current key (if pressed), otherwise 0; non-blocking (no-wating)

-AND, OR, NOT

Example

PRINT "BIT OPS"

PRINT AND(0x03,0x0F)

PRINT OR(0x01,0x02)

PRINT HEX\$(NOT(0x0F))

PICO HARDWARE SUPPORT

-PEEK(addr) – hex supported
-POKE addr, value – hex supported

Example

```
REM SYSTICK
SYSTCSR=0xe000e010
SYSTRVR=0xe000e014
SYSTCVR=0xe000e018
poke SYSTCSR, 0
poke SYSTRVR, 0x1e847
poke SYSTCSR, 5
for k=1 to 50
    print and(peek(SYSTCVR), 0x0FFFFFFF)
    pause 1000
next k
end
```

-AREAD - TBD

-AWRITE - TBD

- PMODE gpio_pin, mode
mode: 0-IN, 1-OUT, 2-PULLUP, 3-PULLDOWN
- DREAD(gpio_pin)

Example

```
REM explorer buttons: a, b, x, y
a=12
b=13
x=14
pmode a, 0
pmode b, 0
pmode y, 0
y=15
pmode y, 0
pmode y, 2
REM modes: 0-IN, 1-OUT, 2-PULLUP, 3-PULLDOWN
for k=1 to 10 step 0
    pause 50
    print dread(y)
next k
```

-DWRITE gpio_pin, value

Example

```
REM explorer led - pin 25
pmode 25, 1
for k=1 to 10 step 0
    pause 500
    dwrite 25,1
    pause 500
    dwrite 25,0
next k
end
```