TERRAN BASIC REFERENCE MANUAL

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Introduction

Terran BASIC is a BASIC dialect and its interpreter. Terran BASIC emulates most of the common BASIC syntax while also adding more advanced and up-to-date concepts gracefully, such as user-defined function that can *actually* recurse, arbitrary list construction using CONS-operator and some of the features in the realm of functional programming from MAP and FOLD to CURRY-ing a function.

This is the documentation for Terran BASIC 1.0.

Part I Language

Basic Concepts

"Caution! Under no circumstances confuse the adjective basic with the noun BASIC, except under confusing circumstances!"

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This chapter describes the basic concepts of the Terran BASIC language.

2.1 Values and Types

BASIC is a *Dynamically Typed Language*, which means variables do not know which group they should barge in; only values of the variable do. In fact, there is no type definition in the language: we do want our variables to feel awkward.

There are six basic types: *number*, *boolean*, *string*, *array*, *generator* and *function*.

Number represents real (double-precision floating-point or actually, *rational*) numbers. Operations on numbers follow the same rules of the underlying virtual machine[†], and such machines must follow the IEEE 754 standard[‡].

Boolean is type of the value that is either **TRUE** or **FALSE**. Number **0** and **FALSE** make the condition *false*. When used in numeric context, **FALSE** will be interpreted as 0 and **TRUE** as 1.

String represents immutable§ sequences of bytes.

Array represents a collection of numbers in one or more dimensions.

Generator represents a value that automatically counts up/down whenever they have been called in FOR–NEXT loop.

Functions are, well... functions[¶], especially user-defined ones. Functions are *type* because some built-in functions will actually take *functions* as arguments.

^{*}Original quotation: Donald R. Woods, James M. Lyon, *The INTERCAL Programming Language Reference Manual*

[†]if you are not a computer person, disregard

[‡]ditto.

[§]Cannot be altered directly

[¶]This is not a closure; there is no way you can define a local- or anonymous variable in BASIC.

2.2 Control Flow

A program is executed starting with its lowest line number. Statements on a line are executed from left to right. When all Statements are finished execution, next lowest line number will be executed. Control flow functions can modify this normal flow.

You can dive into other lines in the middle of the program with GOTO. The program flow will continue normally at the new line and it will never know ya just did that.

If you want less insane jumping, GOSUB is used to jump to a subroutine. Subroutine is a little section of a code that serves as a tiny program inside of a program. GOSUB will remember from which statement in the line you have came from, and will return your program flow to that line when RETURN statement is encountered. (of course, if RETURN is used without GOSUB, program will raise some error) Do note that while you can reserve some portion of a program line as a subroutine, Terran BASIC will not provide local variables and whatnot as all variables in BASIC are global, and you can just GOTO out of a subroutine to anywhere you desire and wreak havoc if you really wanted to.

The ON statement provides alternative branching construct. You can enter multiple line numbers and let your variable (or mathematical expression) to choose which index of line numbers to GOTO - or GOSUB into.

The IF-THEN-ELSE lets you to conditionally select which of the two branches to execute.

The FOR-NEXT lets you to loop a portion of a program while automatically counting your chosen variable up or down.

Language Guide

"Begin at the beginning", the King said gravely, "and go on till you come to the end: then stop."

- Lewis Carroll, Alice in Wonderland

We'll begin at the beginning; how beginning? This:

```
10 PRINT 2+2
run
4
Ok
```

Oh *boy* we just did a computation! It printed out 4 which is a correct answer for 2+2 and it didn't crash!

3.1 GOTO here and there

GOTO is used a lot in BASIC, and so does in Terran BASIC. GOTO is a simplest method of diverging a program flow: execute only the part of the program conditionally and perform a loop.

Following program attempts to calculate a square root of the input value, showing how GOTO can be used in such manner.

```
10 X=1337
20 Y=0.5*X
30 Z=Y
40 Y=Y-((Y^2)-X)/(2*Y)
50 IF NOT(Z==Y) THEN GOTO 30 : REM 'NOT(Z==Y)' can be rewritten to 'Z<>Y'
100 PRINT "Square root of ";X;" is approximately ";Y
```

Here, GOTO in line 50 is used to perform a loop, which keeps looping until $\,\mathbb{Z}\,$ and $\,\mathbb{Y}\,$ becomes equal. This is a newtonian method of approximating a square root.

3.2 What If We Wanted to Go Back?

But GOTO only jumps, you can't jump back. Well, not with that attitute; you can go back with GOSUB and RETURN statement.

This program will draw a triangle, where the actual drawing part is on line 100–160, and only get jumped into it when needed.

```
10 GOTO 1000

100 REM subroutine to draw a segment. Size is stored to 'Q'

110 PRINT SPC(20-Q);

120 Q1=1: REM loop counter for this subroutine

130 PRINT "*";

140 Q1=Q1+1

150 IF Q1<=Q*2-1 THEN GOTO 130

160 PRINT: RETURN: REM this line will take us back from the jump

1000 Q=1: REM this is our loop counter

1010 GOSUB 100

1020 Q=Q+1

1030 IF Q<=20 THEN GOTO 1010
```

3.3 FOR ever loop NEXT

As we've just seen, you can make loops using GOTO's here and there, but they totally suck, too much spaghetti crashes your cerebral cortex faster than Crash Bandicoot 2. Fortunately, there's a better way to go about that: the FOR–NEXT loop!

```
10 GOTO 1000
100 REM subroutine to draw a segment. Size is stored to 'Q'
110 PRINT SPC(20-Q);
120 FOR Q1=1 TO Q*2-1
130 PRINT "*";
140 NEXT: PRINT
150 RETURN
1000 FOR Q=1 TO 20
1010 GOSUB 100
1020 NEXT
```

When executed, this program print out *exactly the same* triangle, but code is much more straightforward thanks to the FOR statement.

3.4 Isn't It Nice To Have a Computer That Will Question You?

What fun is the program if it won't talk with you? You can make that happen with INPUT statement.

```
10 PRINT "WHAT IS YOUR NAME";
20 INPUT NAME
30 PRINT "HELLO, ";NAME
```

This short program will ask your name, and then it will greet you by the name you told to the computer.

3.5 Function

Consider the following code:

```
10 DEFUN POW2(N)=2^N
20 DEFUN DCOS(N)=COS(PI*N/180)
30 FOR X=O TO 8
40 PRINT X,POW2(X)
50 NEXT
60 PRINT "-----"
70 FOREACH A=0!45!90!135!180!NIL
80 PRINT A,DCOS(A)
90 NEXT
```

Here, we have defined two functions to use in the program: POW2 and DCOS. Also observe that functions are defined using variable Ns, but we use them with X in line 40 and with A in line 80: yes, functions can have their local name so you don't have to carefully choose which variable name to use in your subroutine.

Except a function can't have statements that spans two- or more BASIC lines; but there are ways to get around that, including DO statement and functional currying

This sample program also shows FOREACH statement, which is same as FOR but works with arrays.

3.6 BRB: Bad Recursion BRBRangeError: Maximum call stack size exceeded

But don't get over-excited, as it's super-trivial to create unintentional infinite loop:

```
10 DEFUN FAC(N)=N*FAC(N-1)
20 FOR K=1 TO 6
30 PRINT FAC(K)
40 NEXT
```

(if you tried this and computer becomes unresponsive, hit Ctrl-C to terminate the execution)

This failed attempt is to create a function that calculates a factorial of \mathbb{N} . It didn't work because there is no *halting condition*: didn't tell computer to when to escape from the loop.

 $n \times 1$ is always n, and 0! is 1, so it would be nice to break out of the loop when N reaches 0; here is the modified program:

```
10 DEFUN FAC(N)=IF N==0 THEN 1 ELSE N*FAC(N-1)
20 FOR K=1 TO 10
30 PRINT FAC(K)
40 NEXT
```

Since IF-THEN-ELSE can be chained to make third or more conditions — IF-THEN-ELSE IF-THEN or something — we can write a recursive Fibonacci function:

```
10 DEFUN FIB(N)=IF N==0 THEN 0 ELSE IF N==1 THEN 1 ELSE
FIB(N-1)+FIB(N-2)
20 FOR K=1 TO 10
30 PRINT FIB(K);" ";
40 NEXT
```

3.7 The Functions of the High Order

Higher-order functions are functions that either takes another function as an argument, or returns a function. This sample program shows how higher-order functions can be constructed.

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```
20 DEFUN FUN(X)=X^2
30 K=APPLY(FUN,42)
40 PRINT K
```

Here, APPLY takes a function F and value X, applies a function F onto the value X and returns the value. Since APPLY takes a function, it's higher-order function.

3.8 Map

MAP is a higher-order function that takes a function (called *transformation*) and an array to construct a new array that contains old array transformed with given *transformation*.

Or, think about the old FAC program before: it merely printed out the value of 1!, 2! ... 10!. What if we wanted to build an array that contains such values?

```
10 DEFUN FAC(N)=IF N==0 THEN 1 ELSE N*FAC(N-1)
20 K=MAP(FAC, 1 TO 10)
30 PRINT K
```

Here, K holds the values of 1!, 2! ... 10!. Right now we're just printing out the array, but being an array, you can make actual use of it.

3.9 Haskell Curry Wants to Know Your Location

Two pages ago there was a mentioning about something called *functional currying*. So what the fsck is currying? Consider the following code:

```
10 DEFUN F(K,T)=ABS(T)==K
20 CF=F~<32
30 PRINT CF(24) : REM will print 'false'
40 PRINT CF(-32) : REM will print 'true'
```

Here, CF is a curried function of F; built-in operator \sim applies 32 to the first parameter of the function F, which dynamically returns a *function* of CF(T) = ABS(T) = 32. The fact that Curry Operator returns a *function* opens many possibilities, for example, you can create loads of sibling functions without making loads of duplicate codes.

3.10 The Grand Unification

Using all the knowledge we have learned, it should be trivial* to write a Quicksort function in Terran BASIC, like this:

```
10 DEFUN LESS(P,X)=X<P
11 DEFUN GTEQ(P,X)=X>=P
12 DEFUN QSORT(XS)=IF LEN(XS)<1 THEN NIL ELSE
    QSORT(FILTER(LESS~<HEAD(XS),TAIL(XS))) # HEAD(XS)!NIL #
    QSORT(FILTER(GTEQ~<HEAD(XS),TAIL(XS)))
100 L=7!9!4!5!2!3!1!8!6!NIL
110 PRINT L
120 PRINT QSORT(L)
```

Line 12 implements quicksort algorithm, using LESS and GTEQ as helper functions. LESS is a user-function version of less-than operator, and GTEQ is similar. QSORT selects a pivot by taking the head-element of the array \mathtt{XS}^\dagger with HEAD (XS), then utilises curried version of LESS and GTEQ to move lesser-than-pivot values to the left and greater to the right (the head element itself does not get recursed, here TAIL (XS) is applied to make head-less copy of the array), and these two separated *chunks* are recursively sorted using the same QSORT function. Currying is exploited to give comparison functions a pivot-value to compare against, and also because FILTER wants a *function* and not an *expression*. HEAD (XS) !NIL creates a single-element array contains head-element of the XS.

^{*/}s

[†]stands for X's

Language Reference

This chapter describes the Terran BASIC language.

4.1 Metasyntax

In the descriptions of BASIC syntax, these conventions apply.

- VERBATIM Type exactly as shown
- IDENTIFIER Replace *identifier* with appropriate metavariable
- [a] Words within square brackets are optional
- {a|b} Choose either a or b
- [a|b] Optional version of the above
- a... The preceding entity can be repeated

4.2 Definitions

A *Program Line* consists of a line number followed by a *Statements*. Program Lines are terminated by a line break or by the end-of-the-file.

A *Line Number* is an integer within the range of $[0..2^{53} - 1]$.

A *Statement* is special form of code which has special meaning. A program line can be composed of 1 or more statements, separated by colons. For the details of statements available in Terran BASIC, see 6.

```
STATEMENT [: STATEMENT]...
```

An *Expression* is rather normal program lines, e.g. mathematical equations and function calles. The expression takes one of the following forms. For the details of functions available in Terran BASIC, see 7.

```
VARIABLE_OR_FUNCTION

( EXPRESSION )

IF EXPRESSION THEN EXPRESSION [ELSE EXPRESSION]
```

```
FUNCTION ( [EXPRESSION {, |; } [{, |; }]] )
FUNCTION [EXPRESSION {, |; } [{, |; }]]
EXPRESSION BINARY_OPERATOR EXPRESSION
UNARY_OPERATOR EXPRESSION
```

An Array takes following form:

```
ARRAY_NAME ( EXPRESSION [, EXPRESSION]... )
```

4.3 Literals

4.3.1 String Literals

String literals take the following form:

```
" [CHARACTERS] "
```

where CHARACTERS is a 1- or more repetition of ASCII-printable letters.*

To print out graphical letters outside of ASCII-printable, use string concatenation with CHR function, or use EMIT function.

4.3.2 Numeric Literals

Numeric literals take one of the following forms:

```
 [+|-] [0|1|2|3|4|5|6|7|8|9] ... [.] [0|1|2|3|4|5|6|7|8|9] ...   0\{x|X\} [0|1|2|3|4|5|6|7|8|9] ...   0\{b|B\} [0|1|2|3|4|5|6|7|8|9] ...
```

Hexadecimal and binary literals are always interpreted as unsigned integers. They must range between $[0..2^{53}-1]$.

4.3.3 Variables

Variable names must start with a letter and all characters of the name must be letters A-Z, figures 0-9. Variable names must not be identical to reserved words, but may *contain* one. Variable names are case-insensitive.

^{*}In other words, 0x20..0x7E

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Unlike conventional BASIC dialects (especially GW-BASIC), name pool of variables are shared between all the types. For example, if you have a numeric variable A, and define an array named A later in the program, the new array will overwrite your numeric A.

Furthermore, *sigils* are not used in the Terran BASIC and attempting to use one will raise syntax-error or undefined behaviour.

4.3.4 Types

Types of data recognised by Terran BASIC are distinguished by some arcane magic of Javascript auto-casing mumbo-jumbo

Type	Range	Precision
String	As many as the machine can handle	
Integer	$\pm 2^{53} - 1$	exact within the
		range
Float	$\pm 4.9406564584124654 \times 10^{-324}$ -	about 16 significant
	$\pm 1.7976931348623157 \times 10^{308}$	figures

4.4 Operators

4.4.1 Order of Precedence

The order of precedence of the operators is as shown below, lower numbers means they have higher precedence (more tightly bound)

Order	Ор	Associativity	Order	Ор	Associativity
1	\wedge	Right	11	BXOR	Left
2	* / \	Left	12	BOR	Left
3	MOD	Left	13	AND	Left
4	+ -	Left	14	OR	Left
5	NOT BNOT	Left	15	TO STEP	Left
6	<< >>	Left	16	!	Right
7	< > =< <= => >=	Left	17	\sim	Left
8	== <> ><	Left	18	#	Left
9	MIN MAX	Left	19	~<	Left
10	BAND	Left	20	=	Right

Examples

- Exponentiation is more tightly bound than negation: $-1 \land 2 == -(1 \land 2) == -1$ but $(-1) \land 2 == 1$
- Exponentiation is right-associative: $4 \land 3 \land 2 == 4 \land (3 \land 2) == 262144$. This

behaviour is different from GW-BASIC in which its exponentiation is left-associative.

4.4.2 Mathematical Operators

Mathematical operators operate on expressions that returns numeric value only, except for the + operator which will take the action of string concatenation if either of the operand is non-numeric.

Code	Operation	Result
x = y	Assignment	Assigns y into x
$x \wedge y$	Exponentiation	x raised to the yth power
x * y	Multiplication	Product of x and y
x / y	Division	Quotient of x and y
$x \setminus y$	Truncated Division	Integer quotient of x and y
x MOD y	Modulo	Integer remainder of x and y with sign of x
x + y	Addition	Sum of x and y
x - y	Subtraction	Difference of x and y
+x	Unary Plus	Value of x
-x	Unary Minus	Negative value of x
x MIN y	Minimum	Lesser value of two
x MAX y	Maximum	Greater value of two

Notes

- Type conversion rule follows underlying Javascript implementation. In other words, only the god knows.
- The expression 0\\ 0 will return 1, even though the expression is indeterminant.

Errors

- Any expression that results $\tt NaN$ or $\tt Infinity$ in Javascript will return some kind of errors, mainly $\tt Division$ by zero.
- If x < 0 and y is not integer, $x \land y$ will raise Illegal function call.

4.4.3 Comparison Operators

Comparison operator can operate on numeric and string operands. String operands will be automatically converted to numeric value if they can be; if one operand is numeric and other is non-numeric string, the former will be converted to string value.

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Code	Operation	Result
x == y	Equal	True if x equals y
$x \Leftrightarrow y x \times y$	Not equal	False if x equals y
<i>x</i> < <i>y</i>	Less than	True if x is less than y
x > y	Greater than	True if x is greater than y
$x \leftarrow y x \prec y$	Less than or equal	False if x is greater than y
$x >= y x \Rightarrow y$	Greater than or equal	False if x is less than y

When comparing strings, the ordering is as follows:

- Two strings are equal only when they are of the same length and every codepoint of the first string is identical to that of the second. This includes any whitespace or unprintable characters.
- Each character position of the string is compared starting from the leftmost character. When a pair of different characters is encountered, the string with the character of lesser codepoint is less than the string with the character of greater codepoint.
- If the strings are of different length, but equal up to the length of the shorter string, then the shorter string is less than the longer string.

4.4.4 Bitwise Operators

Bitwise operators operate on unsigned integers only. Floating points are truncated † to integers.

Code	Operation	Result
x << y	Bitwise Shift Left	Shifts entire bits of <i>x</i> by <i>y</i>
$x \gg y$	Bitwise Shift Right	Shift entire bits <i>x</i> by <i>y</i> , including sign bit
BNOT x	Ones' complement	-x - 1
x BAND y	Bitwise conjunction	Bitwise AND of x and y
x BOR y	Bitwise disjunction	Bitwise OR of x and y
x BXOR y	Bitwise add-with-no-carry	Bitwise XOR of x and y

4.4.5 Boolean Operators

Boolean operators operate on boolean values. If one of the operand is not boolean, it will be cast to appropriate boolean value. See 2.1 for casting rules.

Code	Operation	Result
NOT x	Logical negation	True if x is false and vice versa
x AND y	Bitwise conjunction	True if x and y are both true
x OR y	Bitwise disjunction	True if x or y is true, or both are true

[†]truncated towards zero

4.4.6 Generator Operators

Generator operators operate on numeric values and generators to create and modify a generator.

Code	Result
<i>x</i> TO <i>y</i>	Creates an generator that counts from x to y
x STEP y	Modifies an counting stride of the generator <i>x</i> into <i>y</i>

4.4.7 Array Operators

Array operators operate on arrays and numeric values.

Code	Operation	Result
x ! y	Cons	Prepends a value of x into an array of y
$x \sim y$	Push	Appends a value of y into an array of x
x # y	Concat	Concatenates two arrays

Arbitrary arrays can be constructed using empty-array constant NIL.

4.4.8 Function Operators

Function operators operate on functions and some values.

Code	Operation	Result
$f \sim < x$	Curry	Apply x into the first parameter of the function f

Currying[‡] is an operation that returns new function that has given value applied to the original function's first parameter. See 3.9 for tutorials.

4.5 Constants

Some variables are pre-defined on the language itself and cannot be modified; such variables are called *constants*.

Name	Type	Value	Description
NIL	Array	Empty Array	Used to construct arbitrary array
			using CONS-operator
PI	Number	3.141592653589793	π
TAU	Number	6.283185307179586	2π
EULER	Number	2.718281828459045	Euler's number e

[‡]Partial Application should be more appropriate for this operator, but oh well: *currying* is less mouthful.

4.6 Syntax In EBNF

If you're *that* into the language theory of computer science, texts above are just waste of bytes/inks/pixel-spaces/whatever; this little section should be more than enough!

```
(* quick reference to EBNF *)
(* { word } = word is repeated 0 or more times *)
(* [ word ] = word is optional (repeated 0 or 1 times) *)
     linenumber , stmt , {":" , stmt}
    | linenumber , "REM" , ? basically anything ? ;
linenumber = digits ;
stmt =
      "REM" , ? anything ?
    | "IF" , expr_sans_asgn , "THEN" , stmt , ["ELSE" , stmt]
    | "DEFUN" , [ident] , "(" , [ident , {" , " , ident}] , ")" , "=" , expr
    | "ON" , expr_sans_asgn , ("GOTO" | "GOSUB") , expr_sans_asgn , {"," , expr_sans_asgn}
    | "(" , stmt , ")"
    | expr ; (* if the statement is 'lit' and contains only one word, treat it as function_call
                e.g. NEXT for FOR loop *)
expr = (* this basically blocks some funny attemps such as using DEFUN as anon function
          because everything is global in BASIC *)
    | "(" , expr , ")"
    | "IF" , expr_sans_asgn , "THEN" , expr , ["ELSE" , expr]
    | kywd , expr - "(" (* also deals with FOR statement *)
    (* at this point, if OP is found in paren-level 0, skip function_call *)
    | function call
    | expr , op , expr
    | op_uni , expr ;
expr_sans_asgn = ? identical to expr except errors out whenever "=" is found ? ;
function call =
     ident , "(" , [expr , {argsep , expr} , [argsep]] , ")"
    | ident , expr , {argsep , expr} , [argsep] ;
kywd = ? words that exists on the list of predefined function that are not operators ? ;
(* don't bother looking at these, because you already know the stuff *)
argsep = "," | ":" :
ident = alph , [digits] ; (* variable and function names *)
lit = alph , [digits] | num | string ; (* ident + numbers and string literals *)
op = "^" | "*" | "/" | "MOD" | "+" | "-" | "<<" | ">>" | "<" | ">" | "<="
    | "=<" | ">=" | "=>" | "==" | "<>" | "BAND" | "BXOR" | "BOR"
    | "AND" | "OR" | "TO" | "STEP" | "!" | "~" | "#" | "=" :
op uni = "-" | "+" ;
alph = letter | letter , alph ;
digits = digit | digit , digits ;
hexdigits = hexdigit | hexdigit , hexdigits ;
bindigits = bindigit | bindigit , bindigits ;
num = digits | digits , "." , [digits] | "." , digits
   | ("0x"|"0X") , hexdigits
    | ("Ob"|"OB") , bindigits ; (* sorry, no e-notation! *)
visible = ? ASCII 0x20 to 0x7E ? ;
string = '"' , (visible | visible , stringlit) , '"' ;
```

[3. argN...]

```
letter = "A" | "B" | "C" | "D" | "E" | "F" | "G" | "H" | "I" | "J" | "K" | "L" | "M" | "N"
    | "0" | "P" | "Q" | "R" | "S" | "T" | "U" | "V" | "W" | "X" | "Y" | "Z" | "a" | "b"
    | "c" | "d" | "e" | "f" | "g" | "h" | "i" | "j" | "k" | "l" | "m" | "n" | "o" | "p"
    | "q" | "r" | "s" | "t" | "u" | "v" | "w" | "x" | "y" | "z" | "_" ;
digit = "0" | "1" | "2" | "3" | "4" | "5" | "6" | "7" | "8" | "9" ;
hexdigit = "A" | "B" | "C" | "D" | "E" | "F" | "a" | "b" | "c" | "d" | "e" | "f" | "0" | "1"
   | "2" | "3" | "4" | "5" | "6" | "7" | "8" | "9" ;
bindigit = "0" | "1" ;
(* all possible token states: lit num op bool qot paren sep *)
(* below are schematic of trees generated after parsing the statements *)
IF (type: function, value: IF)
1. cond
2. true
[3. false]
FOR (type: function, value: FOR)
1. expr (normally (=) but not necessarily)
DEFUN (type: function, value: DEFUN)
1. funcname
    1. arg0
    [2. arg1]
    [3. argN...]
2. stmt
ON (type: function, value: ON)
1. testvalue
2. functionname (type: lit)
3. arg0
[4. arg1]
[5. argN...]
FUNCTION_CALL (type: function, value: PRINT or something)
1. arg0
2. arg1
```

Commands

This chapter describes commands accepted by the Terran BASIC editor.

5.1 The Editor

When you first launch the Terran BASIC, all you can see is some generic welcome text and two letters: Ok. Sure, you can just start type away your programs and type run to execute them, there's more things you can do with.

5.1.1 CATALOG

CATALOG

Shows the directory contents of the working directory.

5.1.2 CLS

CLS

Clears text view and moves text cursor to top-left.

5.1.3 DELETE

DELETE LINE

DELETE LINE_START LINE_END

Deletes a given line. If two arguments were given, deletes any lines between them, start- and end-inclusive.

5.1.4 LOAD

LOAD FILENAME

Loads BASIC program by the file name. Default working directory for Terran BASIC is /home/basic.*

^{*}This is a directory within the emulated disk. On the host machine, this directory is typically PWD/assets/diskN/home/basic, where PWD is working directory for the TSVM, diskN is a number of the disk.

5.1.5 LIST

LIST [LINE_NUMBER]

LIST [LINE_FROM LINE_TO]

Displays BASIC program that currently has been typed. When no arguments were given, shows entire program; when single line number was given, displays that line; when range of line numbers were given, displays those lines.

5.1.6 NEW

NEW

Immediately deletes the program that currently has been typed and resets the environment: wipes out <code>DATA</code>, variables and line labels, and resets <code>DATA</code> cursor and <code>OPTIONBASE</code> to zero

5.1.7 **RENUM**

RENUM

Re-numbers program line starting from 10 and incrementing by 10s. Jump targets will be re-numbered accordingly. Nonexisting jump targets will be replaced with undefined.†

5.1.8 RUN

RUN

Executes BASIC program that currently has been typed. Execution can be arbitrarily terminated with Ctrl-C key combination (except in INPUT mode).

5.1.9 **SAVE**

SAVE FILENAME

Saves BASIC program that currently has been typed. Existing files are overwritten *silently*.

5.1.10 SYSTEM

SYSTEM

[†]This behaviour is simply Javascript's null-value leaking into the BASIC. This is nonstandard behaviour and other Terran BASIC implementations may act differently.

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Exits Terran BASIC.

Statements

A Program line is composed of a line number and one or more statements. Multiple statements are separated by colons:

6.1 IF

```
IF TRUTH_VALUE THEN TRUE_EXPRESSION [ELSE FALSE_EXPERSSION]
```

If TRUTH_VALUE is truthy, executes TRUE_EXPRESSION. If TRUTH_VALUE is falsy and FALSE_EXPERSSION is specified, executes that expression; otherwise next line or next statement will be executed.

Notes

- IF is both statement and expression. You can use IF-clause after ELSE, or within functions as well, for example.
- THEN is not optional, this behaviour is different from most of the BASIC dialects.
- Also unlike the most dialects, GOTO cannot be omitted; doing so will make the number be returned to its parent expression.

6.2 ON

```
ON INDEX_EXPRESSION {GOTO|GOSUB} LINE0 [, LINE1]...
```

Jumps to the line number returned by the INDEX_EXPRESSION. If the result is outside of range of the arguments, no jump will be performed.

Parameters

- LINEn can be a number, numeric expression (aka equations) or a line label.
- When OPTIONBASE 1 is used within the program, LINEn starts from 1 instead of 0.

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6.3 DEFUN

There it is, the DEFUN. All those new-fangled parser* and paradigms[†] are tied to this very statement on Terran BASIC, and only Wally knows its secrets...

```
DEFUN NAME ( [ARGS0 [, ARGS1]...] ) = EXPRESSION
```

With the aid of other statements[‡] and functions, DEFUN will allow you to ascend from traditional BASIC and do godly things such as *recursion*[§] and *functional programming*.

Oh, and you can define your own function, in traditional DEF FN sense.

Parameters

- NAME must be a valid variable name.
- ARGSn must be valid variable names, but can be a name of variables already used within the BASIC program; their value will not be affected nor be used.

 $^{^{\}star}\mathrm{a}$ computer program that translates program code entered by you into some data bits that only it can understand

[†]a guidance to in which way you must think to assimilate your brain into the computer-overlord ‡Actually, only the IF is useful, unless you want to *transcend* from the *dung* of mortality by using DEFUN within DEFUN (a little modification of the source code is required)

[§]see recursion

Functions

Functions are a form of expression that may taks input arguments surrounded by parentheses. Most of the traditional BASIC *statements* that does not return a value are *functions* in Terran BASIC, and like those, while Terran BASIC functions can be called without parentheses, it is highly *discouraged* because of the ambiguities in syntax. **Always use parentheses on function call!**

7.1 Mathematical

7.1.1 ABS

Y = ABS(X)

Returns absolute value of X.

7.1.2 ACO

Y = ACO(X)

Returns inverse cosine of X.

7.1.3 ASN

Y = ASN(X)

Returns inverse sine of X.

7.1.4 ATN

Y = ATN(X)

Returns inverse tangent of X.

7.1.5 CBR

Y = CBR(X)

Returns cubic root of X.

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7.1.6 CEIL

```
Y = CEIL(X)
```

Returns integer value of X, truncated towards positive infinity.

7.1.7 COS

```
Y = COS(X)
```

Returns cosine of X.

7.1.8 COSH

```
Y = COSH(X)
```

Returns hyperbolic cosine of X.

7.1.9 EXP

```
Y = EXP(X)
```

Returns exponential of X, i.e. e^X .

7.1.10 FIX

```
Y = FIX(X)
```

Returns integer value of X, truncated towards zero.

7.1.11 FLOOR, INT

```
Y = FLOOR(X)
```

Y = INT(X)

Returns integer value of X, truncated towards negative infinity.

7.1.12 LEN

```
Y = LEN(X)
```

Returns length of X. X can be either a string or an array.

7.1.13 LOG

```
Y = LOG(X)
```

Returns natural logarithm of X.

7.1.14 ROUND

```
Y = ROUND(X)
```

Returns closest integer value of X, rounding towards positive infinity.

7.1.15 RND

```
Y = RND(X)
```

Returns a random number within the range of [0..1). If |X| is zero, previous random number will be returned; otherwise new random number will be returned.

7.1.16 SIN

```
Y = SIN(X)
```

Returns sine of X.

7.1.17 SINH

```
Y = SINH(X)
```

Returns hyperbolic sine of X.

7.1.18 SGN

```
Y = SGN(X)
```

Returns sign of X: 1 for positive, -1 for negative, 0 otherwise.

7.1.19 SQR

```
Y = SQR(X)
```

Returns square root of X.

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7.1.20 TAN

```
Y = TAN(X)
```

Returns tangent of X.

7.1.21 TANH

```
Y = TANH(X)
```

Returns hyperbolic tangent of X.

7.2 Input

7.2.1 CIN

```
S = CIN()
```

Waits for the user input and returns it.

7.2.2 DATA

```
DATA CONSTO [, CONST1]...
```

Adds data that can be read by $\[mathbb{READ}\]$ function. $\[mathbb{DATA}\]$ declarations need not be reacheable in the program flow.

7.2.3 DGET

```
S = DGET()
```

Fetches a data declared from \mbox{DATA} statements and returns it, incrementing the \mbox{DATA} position.

7.2.4 DIM

```
Y = DIM(X)
```

Returns array with size of X, all filled with zero.

7.2.5 GETKEYSDOWN

```
K = GETKEYSDOWN()
```

Stores array that contains keycode of keys held down into the given variable.

Actual keycode and the array length depends on the machine: in TSVM, array length will be fixed to 8. For the list of available keycodes, see 9.

7.2.6 INPUT

```
INPUT VARIABLE
```

Prints out? to the console and waits for user input. Input can be any length and terminated with return key. The input will be stored to given variable.

This behaviour is to keep the compatibility with the traditional BASIC. For function-like usage, use CIN instead.

7.2.7 **READ**

```
READ VARIABLE
```

Assigns data declared from DATA statements to given variable. Reading starts at the current DATA position, and the data position will be incremented by one. The position is reset to the zero by the RUN command.

This behaviour is to keep the compatibility with the traditional BASIC. For function-like usage, use <code>DGET</code> instead.

7.3 Output

7.3.1 **EMIT**

```
EMIT( EXPR [{,|;} EXPR]... )
```

Prints out characters corresponding to given number on the code page being used.

EXPR is numeric expression.

7.3.2 PRINT

```
PRINT ( EXPR [{,|;} EXPR]... )
```

Prints out given string expressions.

EXPR is a string, numeric expression, or array.

PRINT is one of the few function that differentiates two style of argument separator:

; will simply concatenate two expressions (unlike traditional BASIC, numbers will not have surrounding spaces), , tabulates the expressions.

7.4 Program Manipulation

7.4.1 CLEAR

CLEAR

Clears all declared variables.

7.4.2 END

END

Stops program execution and returns control to the user.

7.4.3 FOR

```
FOR LOOPVAR = START TO STOP [STEP STEP]

FOR LOOPVAR = GENERATOR
```

Starts a FOR-NEXT loop.

Initially, LOOPVAR is set to START then statements between the FOR statement and corresponding NEXT statements are executed and LOOPVAR is incremented by STEP, or by 1 if STEP is not specified. The program flow will continue to loop around until LOOPVAR is outside the range of START-STOP. The value of the LOOPVAR is equal to STOP+STEP when the looping finishes.

7.4.4 FOREACH

```
FOREACH LOOPVAR IN ARRAY
```

Same as FOR but fetches LOOPVAR from given ARRAY.

7.4.5 GOSUB

```
GOSUB LINENUM
```

Jumps to a subroutine at LINENUM. The next RETURN statements makes program flow to jump back to the statement after the GOSUB.

LINENUM can be either a numeric expression or a Label.

7.4.6 GOTO

GOTO LINENUM

Jumps to LINENUM.

LINENUM can be either a numeric expression or a Label.

7.4.7 LABEL

LABEL NAME

Puts a name onto the line numeber the statement is located. Jumping to the NAME

Notes

• NAME must be a valid variable name.

7.4.8 **NEXT**

NEXT

Iterates FOR–NEXT loop and increments the loop variable from the most recent ${\tt FOR}$ statement and jumps to that statement.

7.4.9 RESTORE

RESTORE

Resets the DATA pointer.

7.4.10 RETURN

RETURN

Returns from the GOSUB statement.

7.5 String Manipulation

7.5.1 CHR

CHAR = CHR(X)

Returns the character with code point of $\ X$. Code point is a numeric expression in the range of [0-255].

7.5.2 LEFT

```
SUBSTR = LEFT( STR , NUM_CHARS )
```

Returns the leftmost NUM CHARS characters of STR.

7.5.3 MID

```
SUBSTR = MID( STR , POSITION , LENGTH )
```

Returns a substring of STR starting at POSITION with specified LENGTH.

When OPTIONBASE 1 is specified, the position starts from 1; otherwise it will start from 0.

7.5.4 RIGHT

```
SUBSTR = RIGHT( STR , NUM_CHARS )
```

Returns the rightmost NUM_CHARS characters of STR.

7.5.5 SPC

```
STR = SPC( STR , NUM_CHARS )
```

Returns a string of NUM_CHARS spaces.

7.6 Array Manipulation

7.6.1 **HEAD**

```
K = HEAD(X)
```

Returns the head element of the array X.

7.6.2 INIT

```
K = INIT(X)
```

Constructs the new array from array X that has its last element removed.

7.6.3 LAST

```
K = LAST(X)
```

Returns the last element of the array X.

7.6.4 TAIL

```
K = TAIL(X)
```

Constructs the new array from array X that has its head element removed.

7.7 Graphics

7.7.1 CLS

CLS

Clears text view and moves text cursor to top-left.

7.7.2 PLOT

```
PLOT ( X_POS , Y_POS , COLOUR )
```

Plots a pixel to the framebuffer of the display, at XY-position of X_POS and Y_POS , with colour of COLOUR.

Top-left corner of the pixel will be 1 if OPTIONBASE 1 is specified; otherwise it will be 0.

7.8 Meta

7.8.1 OPTIONBASE

```
OPTIONBASE {0|1}
```

Specifies at which number the array/string/pixel indices begin.

7.8.2 OPTIONDEBUG

```
OPTIONDEBUG {0 | 1}
```

Specifies whether or not the debugging messages should be printed out. The messages will be printed out to the *serial debugging console*, or to the stdout.

7.8.3 OPTIONTRACE

```
OPTIONTRACE {0|1}
```

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Specifies whether or not the line numbers should be printed out. The messages will be printed out to the *serial debugging console*, or to the stdout.

7.8.4 TYPEOF

```
X = TYPEOF ( VALUE )
```

Returns a type of given value.

BASIC Type	Returned Value	BASIC Type	Returned Value
Number	num	Array	array
Boolean	bool	Generator	generator
String	str	User Function	usrdefun

7.9 System

7.9.1 PEEK

```
BYTE = PEEK( MEM_ADDR )
```

Returns whatever the value stored in the MEM_ADDR of the Scratchpad Memory.

Address mirroring, illegal access, etc. are entirely up to the virtual machine which the BASIC interpreter is running on.

7.9.2 **POKE**

```
POKE ( MEM_ADDR , BYTE )
```

Puts a BYTE into the MEM_ADDR of the Scratchpad Memory.

7.10 Higher-order Function

7.10.1 DO

```
DO( EXPRO [; EXPR1]...)
```

Executes EXPRn's sequentially.

7.10.2 FILTER

```
NEWLIST = FILTER( FUNCTION , ITERABLE )
```

Returns an array of values from the ITERABLE that passes the given function. i.e. values that makes FUNCTION (VALUE FROM ITERABLE) true.

Parameters

- FUNCTION is a user-defined function with single parameter.
- ITERABLE is either an array or a generator.

7.10.3 FOLD

```
NEWVALUE = FOLD ( FUNCTION , INIT_VALUE , ITERABLE )
```

Iteratively applies given function with accumulator and the value from the ITERABLE, returning the final accumulator. Accumulator will be set to INIT_VALUE before iterating over the iterable. In the first execution, the accumulator will be set to ACC=FUNCTION(ACC, ITERABLE (0)), and the execution will continue to remaining values within the iterable until all values are consumed. The ITERABLE will not be modified after the execution.

Parameters

FUNCTION is a user-defined function with two parameters: first parameter being accumulator and second being a value.

7.10.4 MAP

```
NEWLIST = MAP ( FUNCTION , ITERABLE )
```

Applies given function onto the every element in the iterable, and returns an array that contains such items. i.e. returns tranformation of ITERABLE of which the transformation is FUNCTION. The ITERABLE will not be modified after the execution.

Parameters

FUNCTION is a user-defined function with single parameter.

Part II Implementation

Technical Reference

8.1 Resolving Variables

This section describes all use cases of BasicVar.

When a variable is resolved, an object with instance of BasicVar is returned. A byType of Javascript value is determined using JStoBASICtype.

Typical User Input	TYPEOF(Q)	Instanceof
Q =42.195	num	primitive
Q =42>21	boolean	primitive
Q="BASIC!"	string	primitive
Q =DIM(12)	array	Array (JS)
Q =1 TO 9 STEP 2	generator	ForGen
DEFUN $\mathbf{Q}(X) = X + 3$	usrdefun	BasicAST

Notes

- TYPEOF (Q) is identical to the variable's bvType; the function simply returns BasicVar.bvType.
- Do note that all resolved variables have troType of Lit, see next section for more information.

8.2 Unresolved Values

Unresolved variables has JS-object of troType, with *instanceof* SyntaxTreeReturnObj. Its properties are defined as follows:

Properties	Description
troType	Type of the TRO (Tree Return Object)
troValue	Value of the TRO
troNextLine	Pointer to next instruction, array of: [#line, #statement]

Following table shows which BASIC object can have which troType:

BASIC Type troType Any Variable lit Boolean bool Generator generator Array array Number num Strina string DEFUN'd Function internal_lambda Array Indexing internal_arrindexing_lazy Assignment internal_assignment_object

Notes

- All type that is not lit only appear when the statement returns such values, e.g. internal_lambda only get returned by DEFUN statements as the statement itself returns defined function as well as assign them to given BASIC variable.
- As all variables will have troType of lit when they are not resolved, the
 property must not be used to determine the type of the variable; you must resolve it first.
- The type string function should not appear outside of TRO and astType; if
 you do see them in the wild, please check your JS code because you probably
 meant usrdefun.

Implementation Details

This chapter explains implementation details of Terran BASIC running on TSVM.

9.1 Keycodes

This is a table of keycodes recognised by the LibGDX, a framework that TSVM runs on.

Key	Code	Key	Code	Key	Code	Key	Code
1	8	+	70	V	50	F2	245
2	9	Α	29	W	51	F3	246
3	10	В	30	Х	52	F4	247
4	11	C	31	Y	53	F5	248
5	12	D	32	Z	54	F6	249
6	13	E	33	LCtrl	57	F7	250
7	14	F	34	RCtrl	58	F8	251
8	15	G	35	LShift	59	F9	252
9	16	Н	36	RShift	60	F10	253
0	17	I	37	LAlt	129	F11	254
\leftarrow	66	J	38	RAIt	130	Num o	144
BkSp	67	K	39	†	19	Num 1	145
Tab	61	L	40	\downarrow	20	Num 2	146
•	68	М	41	\leftarrow	21	Num 3	147
1	75	N	42	\rightarrow	22	Num 4	148
;	43	0	43	Ins	133	Num 5	149
,	55	P	44	Del	112	Num 6	150
	56	Q	45	PgUp	92	Num 7	151
/	76	R	46	PgDn	93	Num 8	152
[71	S	47	Home	3	Num 9	153
]	72	Т	48	End	132	NumLk	78
_	69	U	49	F1	244	*	17

Keys not listed on the table may not be available depending on the system, for example, F12 may not be recognised.

Part III More Goodies

99 Bottles of Beer

This is a sample program that prints out the infamous 99 Bottles of Beer.

```
10 FOR I = 99 TO 1 STEP -1
20 \text{ MODE} = 1
30 GOSUB 12
40 PRINT I; bottle"; BOTTLES; of beer on the wall, ";i;"
    bottle"; BOTTLES; " of beer."
50 \text{ MODE} = 2
60 GOSUB 12
70 PRINT "Take one down and pass it around, ";(I-1);"
    bottle"; BOTTLES; " of beer on the wall."
80 NEXT
90 PRINT "No more bottles of beer on the wall, no more bottles of
    beer."
100 PRINT "Go to the store and buy some more. 99 bottles of beer on
    the wall."
110 END
120 IF I == MODE THEN BOTTLES = "" ELSE BOTTLES = "s"
130 RETURN
```

Amazing

This is a sample program that draw a randomised maze. The original program was on *BASIC Computer Games: Microcomputer Edition* and was translated into Terran BASIC.

```
1 OPTIONBASE 1
10 PRINT SPC(28); "AMAZING PROGRAM"
20 PRINT SPC(15); "CREATIVE COMPUTING MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY"
30 PRINT:PRINT:PRINT
100 PRINT "WHAT ARE YOUR WIDTH";: INPUT H
102 PRINT "WHAT ARE YOUR LENGTH";: INPUT V
105 IF H<>1 AND V<>1 THEN GOTO 110
106 PRINT "MEANINGLESS DIMENSIONS. TRY AGAIN.":GOTO 100
110 WS=DIM(H,V):VS=DIM(H,V)
120 PRINT:PRINT:PRINT:PRINT
160 Q=0:Z=0:X=INT(RND(1)*H+1)
165 FOR I=1 TO H
170 IF I==X THEN GOTO 173
171 PRINT ".--";
172 GOTO 175
173 PRINT ". ";
180 NEXT
190 PRINT "."
195 C=1:WS(X,1)=C:C=C+1
200 R=X:S=1:GOTO 260
210 IF R<>H THEN GOTO 240
215 IF S<>V THEN GOTO 230
220 R=1:S=1
222 GOTO 250
230 R=1:S=S+1:GOTO 250
240 R=R+1
250 IF WS(R,S)==0 THEN GOTO 210
260 IF R-1==0 THEN GOTO 530
265 IF WS(R-1,S)<>0 THEN GOTO 530
270 IF S-1==0 THEN GOTO 390
280 IF WS(R,S-1)<>0 THEN GOTO 390
290 IF R == H THEN GOTO 330
300 IF WS(R+1,S)<>0 THEN GOTO 330
310 X=INT(RND(1)*3+1)
320 ON X GOTO 790,820,860
```

- 334 IF Z==1 THEN GOTO 370
- 338 Q=1:GOTO 350
- 340 IF WS(R,S+1)<>0 THEN GOTO 370
- 350 X=INT(RND(1)*3+1)
- 360 ON X GOTO 790,820,910
- 370 X=INT(RND(1)*2+1)
- 380 ON X GOTO 790,820
- 390 IF R==H THEN GOTO 470
- 400 IF WS(R+1,S)<>0 THEN GOTO 470
- 405 IF S<>V THEN GOTO 420
- 410 IF Z==1 THEN GOTO 450
- 415 Q=1:GOTO 430
- 420 IF WS(R,S+1)<>0 THEN GOTO 450
- 430 X=INT(RND(1)*3+1)
- 440 ON X GOTO 790,860,910
- 450 X=INT(RND(1)*2+1)
- 460 ON X GOTO 790,860
- 470 IF S<>V THEN GOTO 490
- 480 IF Z==1 THEN GOTO 520
- 485 Q=1:GOTO 500
- 490 IF WS(R,S+1)<>0 THEN GOTO 520
- 500 X=INT(RND(1)*2+1)
- 510 ON X GOTO 790,910
- 520 GOTO 790
- 530 IF S-1==0 THEN GOTO 670
- 540 IF WS(R,S-1)<>0 THEN GOTO 670
- 545 IF R == H THEN GOTO 610
- 547 IF WS(R+1,S)<>0 THEN GOTO 610
- 550 IF S<>V THEN GOTO 560
- 552 IF Z==1 THEN GOTO 590
- 554 Q=1:GOTO 570
- 560 IF WS(R,S+1)<>0 THEN GOTO 590
- 570 X=INT(RND(1)*3+1)
- 580 ON X GOTO 820,860,910
- 590 X=INT(RND(1)*2+1)
- 600 ON X GOTO 820,860
- 610 IF S<>V THEN GOTO 630
- 620 IF Z==1 THEN GOTO 660
- 625 Q=1:GOTO 640
- 630 IF WS(R,S+1)<>0 THEN GOTO 660
- 640 X=INT(RND(1)*2+1)
- 650 ON X GOTO 820,910
- 660 GOTO 820
- 670 IF R==H THEN GOTO 740
- 680 IF WS(R+1,S)<>0 THEN GOTO 740

```
685 IF S<>V THEN GOTO 700
690 IF Z==1 THEN GOTO 730
695 Q=1:GOTO 830
700 IF WS(R,S+1)<>0 THEN GOTO 730
710 X=INT(RND(1)*2+1)
720 ON X GOTO 860.910
730 GOTO 860
740 IF S<>V THEN GOTO 760
750 IF Z==1 THEN GOTO 780
755 Q=1:GOTO 770
760 IF WS(R,S+1)<>0 THEN GOTO 780
770 GOTO 910
780 GOTO 1000
790 WS(R-1,S)=C
800 C=C+1:VS(R-1,S)=2:R=R-1
810 IF C==H*V+1 THEN GOTO 1010
815 Q=0:GOTO 260
820 WS(R,S-1)=C
830 C=C+1
840 VS(R,S-1)=1:S=S-1:IF C==H*V+1 THEN GOTO 1010
850 Q=0:GOTO 260
860 WS(R+1,S)=C
870 C=C+1:IF VS(R,S)==0 THEN GOTO 880
875 VS(R,S)=3:GOTO 890
880 VS(R,S)=2
890 R=R+1
900 IF C==H*V+1 THEN GOTO 1010
905 GOTO 530
910 IF Q==1 THEN GOTO 960
920 WS(R,S+1)=C:C=C+1:IF VS(R,S)==0 THEN GOTO 940
930 VS(R,S)=3:GOTO 950
940 VS(R,S)=1
950 S=S+1:IF C==H*V+1 THEN GOTO 1010
955 GOTO 260
960 Z=1
970 IF VS(R,S)==0 THEN GOTO 980
975 VS(R,S)=3:Q=0:GOTO 1000
980 VS(R,S)=1:Q=0:R=1:S=1:GOTO 250
1000 GOTO 210
1010 FOR J=1 TO V
1011 PRINT "|";
1012 FOR I=1 TO H
       IF VS(I,J)<2 THEN GOTO 1030
1013
1020
       PRINT " ";
1021
       GOTO 1040
```

```
1030 PRINT " | ";
1040 NEXT
1041 PRINT
1043 FOR I=1 TO H
1045 IF VS(I,J)==0 THEN GOTO 1060
1050 IF VS(I,J)==2 THEN GOTO 1060
1051 PRINT ": ";
1052 GOTO 1070
1060 PRINT ":--";
1070 NEXT
1071 PRINT "."
1072 NEXT
1073 END
```

Hamurabi

This is a sample program that is the *Hamurabi* game. The original program was on *BASIC Computer Games: Microcomputer Edition* and was translated into Terran BASIC.

This game is considered as the grand ancestor of the strategy, simulation and citybuilding games; in fact it's so great it has got its own Wikipedia article.

```
10 PRINT SPC(32); "HAMURABI"
20 PRINT SPC(15); "CREATIVE COMPUTING MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY"
30 PRINT: PRINT: PRINT
80 PRINT "TRY YOUR HAND AT GOVERNING ANCIENT SUMERIA"
90 PRINT "FOR A TEN-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE.":PRINT
95 D1=0:P1=0
100 Z=0:P=95:S=2800:H=3000:E=H-S
110 Y=3:A=H/Y:I=5:Q=1
215 PRINT:PRINT:PRINT "HAMURABI: I BEG TO REPORT TO YOU, ": Z=Z+1
217 PRINT "IN YEAR ";Z;", ";D;" PEOPLE STARVED, ";I;" CAME TO THE
    CITY."
220 P=P+T
227 IF Q>0 THEN GOTO 230
228 P=INT(P/2)
229 PRINT "A HORRIBLE PLAGUE STRUCK! HALF THE PEOPLE DIED."
230 PRINT "POPULATION IS NOW ";P
232 PRINT "THE CITY NOW OWNS "; A; " ACRES."
235 PRINT "YOU HARVESTED ":Y:" BUSHELS PER ACRE."
250 PRINT "THE RATS ATE ";E;" BUSHELS."
260 PRINT "YOU NOW HAVE ";S;" BUSHELS IN STORE."
261 PRINT
270 IF Z==11 THEN GOTO 860
310 C=INT(10*RND(1))
311 Y=C+17
312 PRINT "LAND IS TRADING AT ";Y;" BUSHELS PER ACRE."
320 PRINT "HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO BUY":
321 INPUT Q
322 IF Q<0 THEN GOTO 850
323 IF Y*Q<=S THEN GOTO 330
324 GOSUB 710
325 GOTO 320
```

```
330 IF Q==0 THEN GOTO 340
331 A=A+Q:S=S-Y*Q:C=0
334 GOTO 400
340 PRINT "HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO SELL";
341 INPUT Q
342 IF Q<0 THEN GOTO 850
343 IF Q<A THEN GOTO 350
344 GOSUB 720
345 GOTO 340
350 A=A-Q:S=S+Y*Q:C=0
400 PRINT
410 PRINT "HOW MANY BUSHELS DO YOU WISH TO FEED YOUR PEOPLE";
411 INPUT Q
412 IF Q<0 THEN GOTO 850
418 REM *** TRYING TO USE MORE GRAIN THAN IS IN SILOS?
420 IF Q<=S THEN GOTO 430
421 GOSUB 710
422 GOTO 410
430 S=S-Q:C=1:PRINT
440 PRINT "HOW MANY ACRES DO YOU WISH TO PLANT WITH SEED";
441 INPUT D
442 IF D==0 THEN GOTO 511
443 IF D<0 THEN GOTO 850
444 REM *** TRYING TO PLANT MORE ACRES THAN YOU OWN?
445 IF D<=A THEN GOTO 450
446 GOSUB 720
447 GOTO 440
449 REM *** ENOUGH GRAIN FOR SEED?
450 IF INT(D/2)<=S THEN GOTO 455
452 GOSUB 710
453 GOTO 440
454 REM *** ENOUGH PEOPLE TO TEND THE CROPS?
455 IF D<10*P THEN GOTO 510
460 PRINT "BUT YOU HAVE ONLY ";P;" PEOPLE TO TEND THE FIELDS! NOW
    THEN."
470 GOTO 440
510 S=S-INT(D/2)
511 GOSUB 800
512 REM *** A BOUNTIFUL HARVEST!
515 Y=C:H=D*Y:E=0
521 GOSUB 800
522 IF INT(C/2)<>C/2 THEN GOTO 530
523 REM *** RATS ARE RUNNING WILD!!
525 E=INT(S/C)
530 S=S-E+H
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- 531 GOSUB 800
- 532 REM *** LET'S HAVE SOME BABIES
- 533 I=INT(C*(20*A+S)/P/100+1)
- 539 REM *** HOW MANY PEOPLE HAD FULL TUMMIES?
- 540 C=INT(Q/20)
- 541 REM *** HORROS, A 15% CHANCE OF PLAGUE
- 542 Q=INT(10*(2*RND(1)-0.3))
- 550 IF P<C THEN GOTO 210
- 551 REM *** STARVE ENOUGH FOR IMPEACHMENT?
- 552 D=P-C
- 553 IF D>0.45*P THEN GOTO 560
- 554 P1=((Z-1)*P1+D*100/P)/Z
- 555 P=C
- 556 D1=D1+D
- 557 GOTO 215
- 560 PRINT
- 561 PRINT "YOU STARVED ";D;" PEOPLE IN ONE YEAR!!!"
- 565 PRINT "DUE TO THIS EXTREME MISMANAGEMENT YOU HAVE NOT ONLY"
- 566 PRINT "BEEN IMPEACHED AND THROWN OUT OF OFFICE BUT YOU HAVE"
- 567 PRINT "ALSO BEEN DECLARED NATIONAL FINK!!!!"
- 568 GOTO 990
- 710 PRINT "HAMURABI: THINK AGAIN. YOU HAVE ONLY"
- 711 PRINT S;" BUSHELS OF GRAIN. NOW THEN,"
- 712 RETURN
- 720 PRINT "HAMURABI: THINK AGAIN. YOU OWN ONLY ";A;" ACRES. NOW THEN,"
- 730 RETURN
- 800 C=INT(RND(1)*5)+1
- 801 RETURN
- 850 PRINT
- 851 PRINT "HAMURABI: I CANNOT DO WHAT YOU WISH."
- 855 PRINT "GET YOURSELF ANOTHER STEWARD!!!!!"
- 857 GOTO 990
- 860 PRINT "IN YOUR 10-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE, ";P1;" PERCENT OF THE"
- 862 PRINT "POPULATION STARVED PER YEAR ON THE AVERAGE, I.E. A TOTAL OF"
- 865 PRINT D1; "PEOPLE DIED!!"
- 866 L=A/P
- 870 PRINT "YOU STARTED WITH 10 ACRES PER PERSON AND ENDED WITH"
- 875 PRINT L; "ACRES PER PERSON."
- 876 PRINT
- 880 IF P1>33 THEN GOTO 565
- 885 IF L<7 THEN GOTO 565
- 890 IF P1>10 THEN GOTO 940
- 892 IF L<9 THEN GOTO 940
- 895 IF P1>3 THEN GOTO 960

- 896 IF L<10 THEN GOTO 960
- 900 PRINT "A FANTASTIC PERFORMANCE!!! CHARLEMANGE, DISRAELI, AND"
- 905 PRINT "JEFFERSON COMBINED COULD NOT HAVE DONE BETTER!"
- 906 GOTO 990
- 940 PRINT "YOUR HEAVY-HANDED PERFORMANCE SMACKS OF NERO AND IVAN IV."
- 945 PRINT "THE PEOPLE (REMIANING) FIND YOU AN UNPLEASANT RULER, AND,"
- 950 PRINT "FRANKLY, HATE YOUR GUTS!!"
- 951 GOTO 990
- 960 PRINT "YOUR PERFORMANCE COULD HAVE BEEN SOMEWHAT BETTER, BUT"
- 965 PRINT "REALLY WASN'T TOO BAD AT ALL. "; INT(P*0.8*RND(1)); " PEOPLE"
- 970 PRINT "WOULD DEARLY LIKE TO SEE YOU ASSASSINATED BUT WE ALL HAVE OUR"
- 975 PRINT "TRIVIAL PROBLEMS."
- 990 PRINT
- 991 FOR N=1 TO 10
- 992 PRINT EMIT(7;)
- 993 NEXT
- 995 PRINT "SO LONG FOR NOW."
- 996 PRINT
- 999 END

Hangman

This is a sample program that is the *Hangman* game. The original program was on *BASIC Computer Games: Microcomputer Edition* and was translated into Terran BASIC.

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1 OPTIONBASE 1
10 PRINT SPC(32); "HANGMAN"
20 PRINT SPC(15); "CREATIVE COMPUTING MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY"
21 PRINT: PRINT SPC(14); "EDITOR'S NOTE: ALWAYS TYPE IN CAPITAL
    LETTERS!"
25 PRINT: PRINT
30 PSTR=DIM(12,12):LSTR=DIM(20):DSTR=DIM(20):NSTR=DIM(26):U=DIM(50)
40 C=1: N=50
50 FOR I=1 TO 20: DSTR(I)="-": NEXT: M=0
60 FOR I=1 TO 26: NSTR(I)="": NEXT
70 FOR I=1 TO 12: FOR J=1 TO 12: PSTR(I,J)=" ": NEXT: NEXT
80 FOR I=1 TO 12: PSTR(I,1)="X": NEXT
90 FOR I=1 TO 7: PSTR(1,I)="X": NEXT: PSTR(2,7)="X"
95 IF C<N THEN GOTO 100
97 PRINT "YOU DID ALL THE WORDS!!": END
100 Q=INT(N*RND(1))+1
110 IF U(Q) == 1 THEN GOTO 100
115 U(Q)=1: C=C+1: RESTORE: T1=0
150 FOR I=1 TO Q: READ ASTR: NEXT
160 L=LEN(ASTR): FOR I=1 TO LEN(ASTR): LSTR(I)=MID(ASTR,I,1): NEXT
170 PRINT "HERE ARE THE LETTERS YOU USED:"
180 FOR I=1 TO 26: PRINT NSTR(I);: IF NSTR(I+1)=="" THEN GOTO 200
190 PRINT ",";: NEXT
200 PRINT: PRINT: FOR I=1 TO L: PRINT DSTR(I);: NEXT: PRINT: PRINT
210 PRINT "WHAT IS YOUR GUESS";: INPUT GSTR: R=0
220 FOR I=1 TO 26: IF NSTR(I)=="" THEN GOTO 250
230 IF GSTR==NSTR(I) THEN DO(PRINT "YOU GUESSED THAT LETTER BEFORE!";
    GOTO 170)
240 NEXT: PRINT "PROGRAM ERROR. RUN AGAIN.": END
250 NSTR(I)=GSTR: T1=T1+1
260 FOR I=1 TO L: IF LSTR(I)==GSTR THEN GOTO 280
270 NEXT: IF R==0 THEN GOTO 290
275 GOTO 300
280 DSTR(I)=GSTR: R=R+1: GOTO 270
290 M=M+1: GOTO 400
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300 FOR I=1 TO L: IF DSTR(I)=="-" THEN GOTO 320
310 NEXT: GOTO 390
320 PRINT: FOR I=1 TO L: PRINT DSTR(I);: NEXT: PRINT: PRINT
330 PRINT "WHAT IS YOUR GUESS FOR THE WORD"::INPUT BSTR
340 IF ASTR==BSTR THEN GOTO 360
350 PRINT "WRONG. TRY ANOTHER LETTER.": PRINT: GOTO 170
360 PRINT "RIGHT!! IT TOOK YOU ";T1;" GUESSES!"
370 PRINT "WANT ANOTHER WORD";:INPUT WSTR: IF WSTR=="YES" THEN GOTO 50
380 PRINT: PRINT "IT'S BEEN FUN! BYE FOR NOW.": GOTO 999
390 PRINT "YOU FOUND THE WORD!": GOTO 370
400 PRINT: PRINT: PRINT"SORRY, THAT LETTER ISN'T IN THE WORD."
410 ON M GOTO 415,420,425,430,435,440,445,450,455,460
415 PRINT "FIRST, WE DRAW A HEAD": GOTO 470
420 PRINT "NOW WE DRAW A BODY.": GOTO 470
425 PRINT "NEXT WE DRAW AN ARM.": GOTO 470
430 PRINT "THIS TIME IT'S THE OTHER ARM.": GOTO 470
435 PRINT "NOW, LET'S DRAW THE RIGHT LEG.": GOTO 470
440 PRINT "THIS TIME WE DRAW THE LEFT LEG.": GOTO 470
445 PRINT "NOW WE PUT UP A HAND.": GOTO 470
450 PRINT "NEXT THE OTHER HAND.": GOTO 470
455 PRINT "NOW WE DRAW ONE FOOT": GOTO 470
460 PRINT "HERE'S THE OTHER FOOT -- YOU'RE HUNG!!"
470 ON M GOTO 480,490,500,510,520,530,540,550,560,570
480 PSTR(3,6)="-": PSTR(3,7)="-": PSTR(3,8)="-": PSTR(4,5)="(":
    PSTR(4,6) = "."
481
    PSTR(4,8)=".":PSTR(4,9)=")":PSTR(5,6)="-":PSTR(5,7)="-":PSTR(5,8)="-":GOTO
490 FOR I=6 TO 9: PSTR(I.7)="X": NEXT: GOTO 580
500 FOR I=4 TO 7: PSTR(I,I-1)="\": NEXT: GOTO 580
510 PSTR(4,11)="/": PSTR(5,10)="/": PSTR(6,9)="/": PSTR(7,8)="/":
    GOTO 580
520 PSTR(10,6)="/": PSTR(11,5)="/": GOTO 580
530 PSTR(10,8)="\": PSTR(11,9)="\": GOTO 580
540 PSTR(3,11)="\": GOTO 580
550 PSTR(3,3)="/": GOTO 580
560 PSTR(12,10)="\": PSTR(12,11)="-": GOTO 580
570 PSTR(12,3)="-": PSTR(12,4)="/"
580 FOR I=1 TO 12: FOR J=1 TO 12: PRINT PSTR(I,J);: NEXT
590 PRINT: NEXT: PRINT: PRINT: IF M<>10 THEN GOTO 170
600 PRINT "SORRY, YOU LOSE. THE WORD WAS "; ASTR
610 PRINT "YOU MISSED THAT ONE. DO YOU ":: GOTO 370
620 PRINT "TYPE YES OR NO";:INPUT YSTR: IF LEFT(YSTR,1)=="Y" THEN
    GOTO 50
700 DATA "GUM", "SIN", "FOR", "CRY", "LUG", "BYE", "FLY"
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- 710 DATA "UGLY", "EACH", "FROM", "WORK", "TALK", "WITH", "SELF"
- 720 DATA "PIZZA", "THING", "FEIGN", "FIEND", "ELBOW", "FAULT", "DIRTY"
- 730 DATA "BUDGET", "SPIRIT", "QUAINT", "MAIDEN", "ESCORT", "PICKAX"
- 740 DATA "EXAMPLE", "TENSION", "QUININE", "KIDNEY", "REPLICA", "SLEEPER"
- 750 DATA "TRIANGLE", "KANGAROO", "MAHOGANY", "SERGEANT", "SEQUENCE"
- 760 DATA "MOUSTACHE", "DANGEROUS", "SCIENTIST", "DIFFERENT", "QUIESCENT"
- 770 DATA "MAGISTRATE", "ERRONEOUSLY", "LOUDSPEAKER", "PHYTOTOXIC"
- 780 DATA "MATRIMONIAL", "PARASYMPATHOMIMETIC", "THIGMOTROPISM"
- 990 PRINT "BYE NOW"
- 999 END

Plotter

This is a plotter that draws a graph of a function.

ZEROLINE specifies which column of the text screen is y=0, and AMP specifies the Y-zoom of the plotter, line 100 controls the plotting range of x.

This example program uses sinc function as an example, specified in line 10. You can re-define the function with whatever you want, then modify line 110 to call your function i.e. PRINT PLOTLINE (YOUR FUNCTION HERE, I).

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1 ZEROLINE=10
2 AMP=20
10 DEFUN SINC(P)=IF P==0 THEN 1.0 ELSE SIN(P)/P
20 DEFUN TOCHAR(P,X)=IF (X==ROUND(ZEROLINE+P*AMP)) THEN "@" ELSE IF (X==ZEROLINE) THEN "|" ELSE CHR(250)
30 DEFUN SCONCAT(ACC,S)=ACC+S
40 DEFUN PLOTLINE(F,X)=FOLD(SCONCAT,"",MAP(TOCHAR~<F(X),1 TO ZEROLINE+AMP))
100 FOR I=-40 TO 40
110 PRINT PLOTLINE(SINC,I)
120 NEXT
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