v-FORTH 1.5

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Technical Info

Introduction

This document presents vForth 1.5 – ZX Spectrum Next version.

It contains some technical details on how this version is built and a list of all available words in the core. Subsequent issues of this document will include some of optional parts.

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Technical specifications

This is a straight FIG-Forth implementation that uses Z80 register in the following way.

AF - Used as ususal.

BC – Instruction Pointer: should be preserved on enter-exit a definition and during ROM/OS calls.

DE – Free (Low part when used for 32-bit manipulations)

HL – Work Register (High part when used for 32-bit manipulations)

AF'- Not used, somewhere used for backup purpose

BC'- Not used: available in fast Interrupt via EXX

DE'- Not used: available in fast Interrupt via EXX

HL'- Not used: available in fast Interrupt via EXX (saved at startup from Basic)

SP – Calculator Stack Pointer

IX – Not used: somewhere used for backup purpose

IY – Used by ZX System

Care has been taken to avoid any use of alternate registers (at least when interrupts are enabled). This should allow the user to create their own fast-response interrupt routine and use EXX instead of pushing all registers.

16 bits Number Encoding

A 16 bits *integer* represents an integer number between –32768 e +32767 inclusive. The sign is kept in the most significant bit. Alternatively, the it represents an *unsigned integer* between 0 and +65535.

L 16 bit: HL: | sbbb bbbb | bbbb |

In the CPU registers, an integer is kept in H e L where H is the most significant part.

In memory, an *integer* is stored in two contiguous bytes in "little-endian" way, that is, the lower address has the least significant part, the in L register. The byte at higher address has the most significant part, the one in H register, as usual for Zilog Z80.

32 bits Number Encoding

The second integer format requires two *integers* that form a 32 bits number said *double* or *long* that allows an integer between –2.147.483.648 and +2.147.483.647, and the sign is kept on the most significant bit of the first *integer*.

Imagine a *double integer* kept in CPU register in the in this way:

using register H, L, D and E, with the most significant part in H, and the least in E.

Then, on Calculator Stack the *double integer* requires four contiguous bytes split in the two *integers* that forms it with the most significant integer (HL) on top of Calculator Stack (i.e. in the lower addresses), and the least significant integer (DE) the second element from top is in the higher address, that is the second element from top. so it appears as L H E D,

CPU	Calculator Stack
D	SP + 3
E	SP + 2
Н	SP + 1
L	SP + 0 (TOS)

More confusingly, in RAM it is kept as E D L H. see how 2VARIABLE is defined to understand this fact.

CPU	2VARIABLE
Н	Address + 3
L	Address + 2
D	Address + 1
E	Address + 0

Floating-Point Number Encoding

There is a third optional format that use 32 bits as a *double integer*, but all bits are used in a different way to allows to represent a *floating point number* approximately between $-1.7 * 10^38 + 1.7 * 10^38$ with 6-7 precision digits. The sign is kept in the most significant bit, the same way as a *double integer*; then eight bits follow as the exponential part, then 23 bits of mantissa. The sign in this position allows (IMO) using most of the same semantics of *double integers* as per the sign of the number.

	н	L	ט	t
32 bits f.p.:	SXXX XXXX	x bbb bbbb	bbbb bbbb	bbbb bbbb

Core dictionary

Legenda

In this list:

a	address: memory address	16 bits
b	byte: unsigned integer	8 bits
С	character	8 bits but often only lower 7 are significant.
d	signed double integer	32 bits
fp	floating point number.	32 bits
n	signed integer	16 bits
u	unsigned integer	16 bits
ud	unsigned double integer	32 bits
f	flag: a number evaluated as a boolean	16 bits
ff	false flag: zero	16 bits
tf	true flag: non-zero	16 bits
nfa	name field address	16 bits
lfa	link field address	16 bits
cfa	code field address	16 bits
pfa	parameters field address	16 bits
xt	execution token – same as cfa	16 bits
cccc	character string or word name available in the voc	abulary
	a word list	
TOS	top of calculator stack	

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'null' --- (immediate)

This is a "ghost" word executed by INTERPRET to go back to the caller once the text to be interpreted ends. This word allows you to use a 0x00 (NULL ASCII) as the end-of-text indicator in the input text stream.

! n a ---

It stores the integer $\,n\,$ in the memory cell at address $\,a\,$ and $\,a\,$ + $\,1.$ Pronounced "store" Zilog Z80 is a little-endian CPU that holds the high byte in the high address.

!CSP ---

It saves the value of SP register in ${\tt CSP}$ user variable. It is used by $\,:\,$ and $\,;\,$ for syntax checking.

d1 --- d2

From a double number d1 it produces the next ASCII character to be put in an output string using HOLD. The number d2 is d1 / BASE and is kept for subsequent elaborations. It is used between <# e #> . See also #S.

#> d --- a b

It terminates a numeric conversion started by <# . It removes d and leaves the values suitable for TYPE.

#BUFF --- n

This is a constant that gives the number of available buffers. This build has 3 buffers located at address between FIRST @ and LIMIT @.

#S d1 --- d2 CORE

This word is equivalent of a series of # that is repeated until d2 becomes zero. It is used between <# e #>.

#SEC --- n

This is a constant that gives the number of available screens/blocks.

' --- cfa

Pronounced "tick". Used in the form

' cccc

it leaves the cfa of word cccc, that is its xt or value to be compiled of passed to EXECUTE. If the word cccc is not found after the CURRENT and CONTEXT search phases, then an error is raised.

In a previous version of this Forth, this word returned pfa: we changed this previous standard to return cfa.

(--- (immediate)

Used in the form

(cccc)

it ignores what is between brackets. The space after (is not considered in ccc. The comment must be delimited in the same row with a closing) followed by a space or an end-of-line.

(+LOOP) n ---

This is the primitive compiled by +LOOP.

(.")

This is the primitive compiled by . " and . (. It executes \mathtt{TYPE} .

(; CODE) ---

This is the primitive compiled by ; CODE. It rewrites the cfa of LATEST word so that it points to the machine code starting from the following cell.

(?DO) ---

This is the primitive compiled by ?DO.

At compile-time compiles the cfa of (?DO) followed by an offset like BRANCH does that is used to jump after the whole ?DO ... LOOP structure if the limit equals the initial index, otherwise it is equivalent to (DO).

(?EMIT) c1 --- c2

It decodes the character c1 using the following table. It is used internally by EMIT.

HEX 06 → print-comma

HEX 07 → bell rings

HEX 08 → back-space

HEX 09 → tabulator

HEX 0D → carriage return

For not listed character, c2 is equal to c1.

(ABORT) ---

Word executed in case of error issued by ERROR when WARNING contains a negative number. This word usually executes ABORT but can be patched with a user defined word at the pfa of (ABORT).

(DO) ---

This is the primitive compiled by DO.

It searches in the dictionary starting from address a2 a word which text name is kept at address a1; it returns a cfa, the first byte b of nfa and a tf on a successful search; elsewhere a ff only.

Address a 2 must be the nfa of the first word involved in the search in the vocabulary.

In previous version of this Forth, it returned a pfa, we change our mind.

Byte b keeps the length of the found word in the least significant 5 bits, bit 6 is the IMMEDIATE flag. Bit 5 is the SMUDGE bit. Bit 7 is always set to mark the beginning or end of the nfa.

(LINE) n1 n2 --- a b

It retrieves line n1 of block n2 and send it to buffer. It returns the address a within the buffer and a counter b that is C/L (=32) to mean a whole line.

(LOOP) ---

This is the primitive compiled by LOOP. See also DO and +LOOP.

(NUMBER) d a --- d2 a2

It converts the ASCII text at address a+1 in a double integer using the current BASE. Number d2 is left for the subsequent elaborations, a2 is the address of the first non-converted character. A double integer is kept in CPU registers as HLDE. On the stack is treated as two distinct integers where HL is on TOS and DE is the second from top, so that in memory it appears as LHED. Instead, in a variable declared with 2VARIABLE is stored as EDHL. Used by NUMBER.

(SGN) a --- a2 f

It determines if the character at address $\,a$ is a sign (+ o -) and if found increments $\,a$. The flag $\,f$ indicates the sign: ff when it founds a positive sign + or no sign at all, tf for a negative sign - . If a is incremented then variable DPL is incremented aswell. Used by da NUMBER and (EXP) in the floatin-point option.

* n1 n2 --- n3

It leaves the product of two integers.

*/ n1 n2 n3 --- n4

It executes $(n1 \cdot n2) / n3$ using an intermediate double integer to avoid precision loss.

It leaves the quotient n5 and the reminder n4 of the operation $(n1 \cdot n2) / n3$ using an intermediate double integer to avoid precision loss.

+ n1 n2 --- n3

It leaves the sum of two integer.

+! n a ---

It adds to the cell at address a the number n. It is the same as the sequence a @ n + a !

+- n1 n2 --- n3

It leaves n3 as n1 with the sign of n2. If n2 is zero, it means positive.

+ BUF a1 --- a2 f

It advances the address of the buffer from a1 to a2, that is the next buffer. The flag f is false if a2 is the buffer pointed by PREV.

+LOOP n1 --- (run time)
a n2 --- (compile time)

Used in colon definition in the form

DO ... n1 +LOOP

At run-time + LOOP checks the return to the corresponding DO, n1 is added to the index and the total compared with the limit. The jump back happens:

- a) while index < limit if n1 > 0;
- b) while index > limit if n1 < 0.

Otherwise the execution leaves the loop. On leaving the loop, the parameters are discarded and the execution continues with the following word.

At compile-time + LOOP compiles (+LOOP) and a jump is calculated from HERE to a which is the address left on the stack by DO. The value n2 is used internally for syntax checking.

+ORIGIN n --- a

It gives the address n bytes after the "origin". In this build the origin is 6400h. Used rarely to modify the boot-up parameters in the origin area.

, n --- It puts n in the following cell of the dictionary and increments \mathbb{DP} (dictionary pointer) of two locations.

- n1 n2 --- n3

It leaves n3 = n1 - n2 as the difference from the penultimate and the last number on the stack.

--> ---

It continues the interpretation in the next Screen during a ${ t LOAD}$.

-1 --- n

This is the constant value -1 that in this implementation is OFFFFh. Compiling a constant result in a faster execution than a literal.

-ACCEPT a n1 --- n2

As for ACCEPT, but it reads at most n1 characters text from current channel/stream via INKEY one character at a time, It stores the text at address a. Not so efficient, but it allows to compile an external souce-file attached to the stream. It does not modify SPAN.

-DUP n --- n n (non zero) n --- n (zero)

It duplicates n if it is non zero.

-FIND --- cfa b tf (ok)
--- ff (ko)

Used in the form -FIND cccc.

It accepts a word (delimited by spaces) from the current input stream, storing it at address <code>HERE</code>. Then, it run a search in the <code>CONTEXT</code> vocabulary first, then in the <code>CURRENT</code> vocabulary. If the word is found, it leaves the <code>cfa</code> of the word, its length-byte <code>b</code> and a <code>tf</code>. Otherwise only a <code>ff</code>.

-TRAILING a1 n1 --- a2 n2

It assumes that a string n1 characters long is already stored at address all that contains a word right-delimited with spaces. It determines n2 as the position of the first delimiter after the word.

. n ---

It prints the integer n followed by a space.

." --- (immediate)

Used in the form

." cccc "

At compile-time, within a colon-definition, compiles the primitive to output the text followed by the string ccc (delimited by "). The text ccc is prepended by a length-counter that TYPE will use at run-time. When interpreted, i.e. outside a colon-definition, immediately sends the text to output.

.(immediate)

Used in the form

c .C xxxx C

Acts as $." \times \times \times \times "$ but the string is delimited by character c. It is a more generic form of ." that, in fact, use this word as their primitive.

.LINE n1 n2 ---

It sends line <code>n1</code> of block <code>n2</code> to the current peripheral ignoring the trailing spaces.

.R n1 n2 ---

It prints a number n1 right aligned in a field n2 character long, with no following spaces. If the number needs more than n2 characters, the excess protrudes to the right.

/ n1 n2 --- n3

It leaves n3 = n1/n2, the quotient of the integer division.

/MOD n1 n2 --- n3 n4

It leaves the quotioent n4 and the reminder n3 of the integer division n1/n2. The reminder has the sign of n1.

0 --- n

This is a constant value zero. Compiling a constant results in a faster execution than a literal.

OBRANCH f ---

Direct procedure that executes a conditional jump. If $\,f\,$ is zero the offset in the cell following <code>OBRANCH</code> is added to the Instruction Pointer to jump forward of backward.

It is compiled by IF, UNTIL e WHILE.

0< n --- f

It leaves a tf if n is less than zero, ff otherwise.

0= n --- f

It leaves a tf if n is not zero, ff otherwise. It is like a NOT n.

0> n --- f

It leaves a tf if n is greater than zero, ff otherwise.

1 --- n
Constant value 1. Compiling a constant results in a faster execution than a literal.

1+ n1 --- n2
It increments by one the number on TOS.

1- n1 --- n2
It decrements by one the number on TOS.

2 --- n
Constant value 2. Compiling a constant results in a faster execution than a literal.

2! d a --n-lo n-hi a --It stores the double integer held on TOS to address a.

2* n1 --- n2

It doubles the number on TOS.

2+ n1 --- n2 It increments by two the number on TOS.

2/ n1 --- n2

It halves the number on TOS.

20 a --- d a --- n-lo n-hi

It fetches the double integer at address a. to TOS.

2DROP d --n1 n2 ---

It discards a double integer from the TOS, i.e. discards the top two integer.

2DUP d --- d d

It duplicates the double integer on TOS, i.e. duplicates in order the two top integer.

20VER d1 d2 d1 d2 d1 n2 n3 n1 n4 --n1 n2 n3 n4 n2 n1

It copies to TOS the second double integer from top.

2ROT d1 d2 d3 --- d2 d3 d1 n1 n2 n3 n4 n5 n6 --- n3 n4 n5 n6 n1 n2

It rotates the three top double integers, taking the third an putting it on top. The other two double integer are pushed down frop top by one place.

2SWAP d1 d2 --- d2 d1

It swaps the two double integers on TOS.

3 --- n

Constant value 3. Compiling a constant results in a faster execution than a literal.

: --- (immediate)

This is a defining word that creates and begins a colon-definition. Used in the form

: cccc ... ;

creates in the dictionary a new word $\verb"ccc"$ so that it executes the sequence of already existing words ' . . . '.

The CONTEXT vocabulary is set to be the CURRENT and compilation continues while STATE is not zero. Words having the bit 6 of its length-byte set are immediately executed instead of being compilated.

; --- (immediate)

It ends a colon definition and stops compilation.. It compiles ;S and execute SMUDGE to make the word findable.

;CODE --- (immediate)

Used in the form

: cccc ... ;CODE

it terminates a colon definition stoppin copilation of word ccc and compiling (; CODE). Usually ; CODE is followed by suitable machine code sequence..

;S --- (immediate)

This is usually the last word compiled in a colon definition by ; it does the action of returning to the calling word. It is used to force the immediate end of a loading session started by LOAD.

< n1 n2 --- f

<# ---

It sets <code>HLD</code> to the value of <code>PAD</code>. It is used to format numbers using #, #S, <code>SIGN</code> and #>. The conversion is performed using a double integer, and the formatted text is kept in <code>PAD</code>.

<BUILDS ---

Used in a colon definition in the form

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: cccc ... <BUILDS ... DOES> ... ;
Subsequent execution of ccc in the form
                       CCCC
                              nnnn
creates a new word nnnn with an high-level procedure that at run-time calls the DOES> part of cccc. When nnnn is
executed, the pfa of nnnn is put on TOS and the executed the following DOES>.
<BUILD and DOES> allow writing high-level procedures instead of using machine code as ; CODE would require.
<NAME
                       cfa
                                      ___
                                              nfa
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It converts a cfa in its nfa. It is the same as the sequence >BODY NFA. See also: CFA, LFA, NFA, PFA, >BODY.

n1 n2 f

It leaves a tf if n1 equals to n2, ff otherwise.

n1 n2 >

It leaves a tf if n1 is greater than n2, ff otherwise.

>BODY cfa --- pfa

Converts a cfa in its pfa.

See also: CFA, LFA, NFA, PFA, <NAME.

>R n

It takes an integer from TOS and puts it on top of the Return Stack. It should be used only within a colon definition and the use of $>\mathbb{R}$ should be balanced with a corresponding $\mathbb{R}>$.

? a

It prints the content of cell at address $\ a.$ It is the same as the sequence: $\ a \ \ \emptyset \ .$

?COMP

It raises an error message #17 if the current STATE is not compile state.

?CSP

It raises an error message #20 if the value of CSP is different from the current value of SP register. It is used to check the compilation in a colon definition.

?DO n2 (immediate) (run time) n1 (compile time) n а

Used in a colon definition in the form

?DO ... LOOP ?DO ... n3 +LOOP

It is used as DO to put in place a loop structure, but at run-time it first checks if n1 = n2 and in that case the loop is skipped. At run-time ?DO starts a sequence of words that will be repeated under control of an initial-index n2 and a limit n1. ?DO consumes these two value from stack and the corresponding LOOP increments the index. If the index is less than the limit, the executions returns to the corresponding ?DO, otherwise the two parameters are discarded and the execution continues after the LOOP.

The limt n1 and the initial value n2 are determined during the execution and can be the result of other previous operations. Inside a loop the word I copies to TOS the current value of the index.

Se also: I, DO, LOOP, +LOOP, LEAVE. In particular LEAVE allows leaving the loop at the first opportunity.

At compile-time ?DO compiles (?DO) followed by an offset like BRANCH and leaves the address of the following location and the number $\, n \,$ to syntax-check

It duplicates the value on TOS if it is not qual to zero. This is the same as <code>-DUP</code>.

?ERROR f n ---

It raises an error message #n if f is true.

?EXEC ---

It raises an error message #18 if we aren't compiling.

?LOADING ---

It raises an error message #22 if we aren't loading. It show the illegal use of -->.

?PAIRS n1 n2 ---

It raises an error message #19 if n1 is different from n2. It is used for syntax checking by the words that completes the construction of structures DO, BEGIN, IF, CASE.

?STACK ---

It raises an error message #1 if the stack is empty and we tried to consume an element from the calculator stack. It raises an error message #7 if the stack is full.

?TERMINAL --- f

It tests the keyboard. Leaves a tf if the [BREAK] key is pressed, ff oherwise.

a --- n

It puts on TOS the integer currently held in the cell ad address a.

ABORT ---

It clears the stack and pass to prompt command, prints the copyright message and returns the control to the human operator executing QUIT.

ABS n --- u
It leaves the absolute value of n.

ACCEPT a n1 --- n2

It transfers characters from the input terminal to the address a for n1 location or until receiving a 0x13 "CR" character. A 0x00 "null" character is added. It leaves on TOS n2 as the actual length of the received string. More, n2 is also copied in SPAN user variable. See also ACCEPT.

AGAIN --- (immediate) (run time)

a n --- (compile time)

Used in colon definition in the form

BEGIN ... AGAIN

At run-time AGAIN forces the jump to the corresponding BEGIN and has no effect on the calculator stack. The execution cannot leave the loop (at least until a R> is executed at a lower level).

At compile-time AGAIN compiles BRANCH with an offset from HERE to a. The number n is used for syntax-check.

ALLOT n ---

It adds the signed integer n to DP (Dictionary Pointer). It is used to reserve some space in the dictionary or to free memory.

AND n1 n2 --- n3

It executes an AND binary operation between the two integers. The operation is performed bit by bit.

B/BUF --- n

Constant that is the number of bytes per buffer. In this implementation is 512.

B/SCR --- n

Constant that indicates the number of Blocks per Screen. In this implementation is 1.

BACK a ---

It calculates and compiles a relative offset from a to HERE. Used by AGAIN, UNTIL, LOOP, +LOOP.

BASE --- a

User variable that indicates the current numbering base used in input/output conversions. It is changed by <code>DECIMAL</code> that put ten, HEX that put sixteen, and with some extensions <code>BINARY</code> that put two and <code>OCTAL</code> that put eight.

BASIC u ---

It quits Forth and returns to Basic returning to the caller USR the unsigned integer on TOS.

BEGIN --- (immediate) (run time)
--- a n (compile time)

Used in colon definition in the forms

BEGIN ... AGAIN or
BEGIN ... f UNTIL or
BEGIN ... f WHILE ... REPEAT or
BEGIN ... f END

At compile-time, it starts one of these structures.

At run-time BEGIN marks the beginning of a words sequence to be repeatedly executed and indicates the jump point for the corresponding AGAIN, REPEAT, UNTIL or END.

With UNTIL, the jump to the corresponding BEGIN happens if on TOS there is a ff, otherwise it quits the loop.

With AGAIN and REPEAT, the jump to the corresponding BEGIN always happens.

The WHILE part is executed if and only if on TOS there is a tf, otherwise it quits the loop.

BL --- c

Constant for "Blank". This implementation uses ASCII and ${\tt BL}$ is 32.

BLANKS a n ---

It fills with "Blanks" n location starting from address a.

BLK --- a

User variable that indicates the current block to be interpreted. If zero then the input is taken from the terminal buffer

BLOCK n --- a

It leaves the address of the buffer that contains the block <code>n</code>. If the block isn't already there, it is fetched from disk. If in the buffer there was another buffer and it was modified, then it is re-written to disk before reading the block n. See also <code>BUFFER</code>, <code>R/W</code>, <code>UPDATE</code>, <code>FLUSH</code>.

BRANCH ---

Direct procedure that executes an unconditional jump. The memory cell following BRANCH has the offset to be relatively added to the Instruction Pointer to jump forward or backward. It is compiled by AGAIN, ELSE, REPEAT.

B/SCR --- n

Constant that indicates the number of blocks per Screen. In this implementation it is 1.

BUFFER n --- a

It makes the next buffer available assigning it the block number n. If the buffer was marked as modified (by UPDATE), such buffer is re-written to disk. The block is not read from disk. The address point to the first character of the buffer.

BYE ---

It executes FLUSH and EMPTY-BUFFERS, then quits Forth and returns to Basic returning to the caller USR the value of O +ORIGIN. See also BASIC.

C! It stores a byte b to add	b a Iress a.		
C, It puts a byte b in the n	b ext location availal	 ble in the	e dictionary and increments \mathtt{DP} (dictionary pointer) by 1.
C/L Constant that indicate th	e number of chara	 acters pe	c r screen line. In this implementation it is 32.
C@ It puts on TOS the byte a	a t address a.		b
CELLS It doubles the number in bytes.	n1 1 on TOS giving tl	––– he numb	${\tt n2}$ er of bytes equialent to ${\tt n1}$ "cells". In this implementation a cell is two
CELL+ It increments n1 by 1 "e	n1 cell", that is two u	 nits. In th	n2 nis implementation a cell is two bytes.
CFA It converts a pfa in its	pfa cfa. See also LFA	 A, NFA, I	cfa PFA,>BODY, <name.< td=""></name.<>
CHAR Used in the form determines the first char	CHAR C racter of the next v	 word in tl	c ne input stream.
			al for n bytes, storing them from address a2. The content of
	a2 n t the copy process	 starts fr	om location $a1 + n - 1$ proceding backward to the location $a1$.

COLD ---

It clears the screen using the ZX Spectrum ROM routine 0DAFh.

CLS

This word executes the Cold Start procedure that restore the system at its startup state. It sets DP to the minimum standard and executes ABORT.

COMPILE ---

At compile-time, it determines the cfa of the word that follows COMPILE and compile it in the next dictionary cell.

CONSTANT n --- (immediate) (compile time)
--- n (run time)

Defining word that creates a constant. Used in the form

n CONSTANT cccc

it creates the word cccc and pfa holds the number n. When cccc is later executed it put n on TOS.

CONTEXT --- a

User variable that points to the vocabulary address where a word search begins.

COUNT al --- a2 b

It leaves the address of text a2 and a length b. It expects that the byte at address a1 to be the length-counter and the text begins to the next location.

CR ---

It transmits a 0x0D to the current output peripheral.

CREATE --- a

Defining word used in the form

CREATE cccc

it creates a new dictionary entry for the definition ccc. The cfa of such a definition points to its pfa that is empty for the moment. HERE points this location.

The new word is created in the CURRENT vocabulary but won't be found by (FIND) because it has the SMUDGE bit set. Once the word construction is complete, it is a programmer responsibility to execute SMUDGE.

Used by : and CONSTANT.

CSP --- a

User variable that temporarily holds the value of SP register during a compilation syntax error check.

CURRENT --- a

User variable that points to the address in the Forth vocabulary where a search continues after a failing search executed in the CONTEXT vocabulary. See also LATEST.

D+ d1 d2 --- d3

It leaves d3 as the sum of d1 and d2. This is a 32 bits sum.

D+- ud n --- d

It leaves d that is ud with the sign of n.

D. d --n-lo n-hi ---

It prints a double integer followed by a space. The double integer is kept on stack in the format n-lo n-hi and the integer on TOS is the most significant.

D.R d n ---

It prints a double integer rigth aligned in a field n character wide. No space follows. If the field is not large enough, then the excess protrudes to the right.

DABS d --- ud

It leaves the absolute value of a double integer.

DECIMAL ---

It sets BASE to 10, that is the decimal base.

DEVICE --- a

Variable that holds the number of current channel: 2 for video, 3 for printer, 4 for the file open to "!Blocks.bin", etc.

DEFINITIONS ---

To be used in the form

cccc DEFINITIONS

sets the CURRENT vocabulary to be the CONTEXT vocabulary and this allows adding new definitions to cccc vocabulary. For example: FORTH DEFINITIONS or ASSEMBLER DEFINITIONS.

In this implementation an ASSEMBLER vocabulary is available as an extra-option that can be LOADed from screens 100 - 160.

DIGIT c n --- u tf (ok) c n --- ff (ko)

It converts the ASCII character c in the equivalent number using the base n, followed by a a tf. If the conversion fails it leaves a ff only.

DL --- a

User variable that keeps the data-stream number used in a LOAD from stream using a negative screen number.

DLITERAL d --- d (immediate) (run time)
d --- (compile time)

Same as LITERAL but a 32 bits number is compiled. DLITERAL is an immediate word that is executed and not compiled.

DMINUS d1 --- d2

It leaves the opposite double number.

DO n1 n2 --- (immediate) (run time)
--- a n (compile time)

Used in colon definition in the form

DO ... LOOP or DO ... n +LOOP

It is used to put in place a loop structure: The execution of DO starts a sequence of words that will be repeated, under control of an initial-index n2 and a limit n1. DO drops these two value from stack and the corresponding LOOP increments the index. If the index is less than the limit, the executions returns to the corresponding DO, otherwise the two parameters are discarded and the execution continues after the LOOP.

The limt n1 and the initial value n2 are determined during the execution and can be the result of other previous operations. Inside a loop the word I copies to TOS the current value of the index.

See also: I, DO, LOOP, +LOOP, LEAVE. In particular LEAVE allows leaving the loop at the first opportunity.

At compile-time DO compiles (DO) and leaves the address of the following location and the number n to syntax-check.

DOES> ---

Word that defines the execution action of a high-level defining word. DOES> changes the pfa of the word being defined to point the words sequence compiled after DOES>. It is used in conjunction with <BUILDS. When the machine-code part of DOES> is executed, it leaves on TOS the pfa of the new word, this allows the interpreter to use this area. Obvious use are new vocabularies (Assembler), multidimensional array and other compiling operations.

DP --- a

User variable (Dictionary Pointer) that holds the address of next available memory location in the dictionary. It is read by HERE and modified by ALLOT.

DPL --- a

User variable that holds the number of digits after the decimal point during the interpretation of double integer. It can be used to keep track of the column of the decimal point during a number format output. For 16 bit integer it defaults to -1. It takes into account the exponential part and its sign for floating point numbers.

DROP n ---

It drops the value on TOS. See also OVER, NIP, TUCK, SWAP, DUP, ROT.

DUP n --- n n

It duplicates the value on TOS. See also OVER, DROP, NIP, TUCK, SWAP, ROT.

ELSE al n1 --- a2 n2 (immediate) (compile time)
--- (run time)

Used in colon definition in the form

IF ... ELSE ... ENDIF
IF ... ELSE ... THEN

At run-time ELSE forces the execution of the false part of an IF-ELSE-ENDIF structure. It has no effects on the stack.

At compile-time ELSE compiles BRANCH and prepares the following cell for the relative offset, stores at a1 the previous

offset from HERE; then it leaves a2 and n2 for syntax checking.

EMIT c ---

It sends a printable ASCII character to the current output peripheal. OUT is incremented. 7 EMIT activates an acoustic signal. The 'null' OxOO ASCII character is not transmitted.

EMITC b ---

It sends a byte b character to the current output peripheal selected with SELECT. See also DEVICE.

EMPTY-BUFFERS ---

It erases all buffers. Any data stored to buffers after the previous ${\tt FLUSH}$ is lost.

ENCLOSE a c --- a n1 n2 n3

Starting from address a, and using a delimiter character c, it determines the offset n1 of the first non-delimiter character, n2 of the first delimiter after the text, n3 of first character non enclosed.

This word doesn't go beyond a 'null' ASCII that represent a unconditional delimiter. For example:

 \rightarrow 1: 2 5 X 2: 'null' \rightarrow 2 5 5 С Х С X X \rightarrow 2 3 'null'

END a n --- (immediate) (compile time) f --- (run time)

Synonym of UNTIL.

ENDIF a n --- (immediate) (compile time)

At run-time, <code>ENDIF</code> indicates the destination of the forward jump from <code>IF</code> or <code>ELSE</code>. It marks the end of a conditional structure. <code>THEN</code> is a synonym of <code>ENDIF</code>.

At compile-time ENDIF calculates the forward jump offset from $\,a\,$ to $\,$ HERE $\,$ and store it at $\,a.$ The number $\,n\,$ is used for syntax checking.

ERASE a n ---

It erases n memory location starting from a, filling them with 0x00 'null' characters.

ERROR b --- n1 n2 --- ff

It notifies an error b and resets the system to command prompt. First of all, the user variable WARNING is examined.

If WARNING is 0 then the offending word is printed followd by a "?" character and a short message "MSG#n".

If WARNING is 1, instead of the short message, the text available on line b of block 4 (of drive 0) is displayed. Such a number can be positive or negative and lay beyond block 4.

If WARNING is -1 then ABORT is executed, which resets the system to command prompt. The user can (with care) modify this behavior of that by altering (ABORT).

If BLK is non zero, then ERROR leaves on the stack n1 that is the value of IN and n2 that is the value of BLK at the error moment. These numbers can then be used by WHERE to determine and show the exact error position.

In any case, the final action is QUIT.
If ${ t BLK}$ is zero, then only a ${ t ff}$ is left on TOS

EXECUTE cfa ---

It executes the word which cfa is held on TOS.

EXPECT a n ---

It transfers characters from the input terminal to the address a for n location or until receiving a 0x13 "CR" character. A 0x00 "null" character is added in the following location. The actual length of the received string is kept in SPAN user variable. See also ACCEPT.

FENCE --- a

User variable that holds the (minimum) address to where FORGET can act.

FILL a n b ---

It fills n memory location starting from address a with the value of b.

FIRST --- a

User variable that holds the address of the first buffer. See also LIMIT.

FLD --- a

User variable that holds the width of output field.

FLUSH ---

It executes SAVE-BUFFERS. It saves to disk the buffers marked "modified" by UPDATE.

FORGET ---

Used in the form

FORGET cccc

removes from the dictionary the word cccc and all the preceding definitions. Care must be put when more than one vocabulary is involved.

FORTH --- (immediate)

This is the name of the first vocabulary. Executing FORTH sets this to be the CONTEXT vocabulary. As soon as no new vocabulary is defined, all new colon definitions became part of FORTH vocabulary. FORTH is immediate, so it is executed during the creation of a colon definition to select the needed vocabulary. See also ASSEMBLER (optional vocabulary).

HERE --- a

It leaves the address of next location available on the dictionary.

HEX --- a

It changes the base to hexadecimal, setting BASE to 16.

HLD --- a

User variable that holds the address of last character used in a numeric conversion output.

HOLD c ---

Used between <# and #> to put a ASCII character during a numeric format.

I --- n

Used between DO and LOOP (or DO and +LOOP, ?DO and LOOP, ?DO and +LOOP) to put on TOS the current value of the loop index.

ID. nfa ---

It prints the definition name whose nfa is on TOS.

Used in colon definition in the form

IF ... ENDIF
IF ... ELSE ... ENDIF

At run-time IF selects which words sequence to execute based on the flag on TOS:

If f is true, the execution continues with the instruction that follows IF ("true" part).

If f is false, the execution continues after the ELSE ("false" part).

At the end of the two parts, the executions always continues after ENDIF.

ELSE and its "false" part are optional and if omitted no "false part" will be executed and execution continues after ENDIF.

At compile time IF compiles <code>OBRANCH</code> reserving a cell for an offset to the point after the corresponding ELSE or ENDIF .

The integer n is used for syntax checking.

IMMEDIATE ---

It marks the latest defined word such that at compile-time it is always executed instead of being compiled. The bit 6 of the length byte of the definition is set. This allows such definitions to handle complex compilation situation instead of burdening the main compiler.

The user can force the compilation of an immediate definition prepending a [COMPILE] to it.

IN --- a

User variable that keeps track of text position within an input buffer. WORD uses and modifies the value of IN that is incremented when consuming input buffer.

INDEX n1 n2 ---

It prints the first line of screen between n1 and n2. Handy to quick check the content of a series of screens.

INKEY --- b

It reads the next character available from current stream and previously selected with SELECT leving it on TOS. It is the opposite of EMITC.

INTERPRET ---

This is the text interpreter. It executes or compiles, depending on the value of STATE, text from input buffer a word at a time. It first searches on CONTEXT and CURRENT vocabularies; if these fail, the text is interpreted as a numeric value, converted using the current BASE, and put on TOS. If that numeric conversion fails too, an error is notified with the symbol "?" followed by the word that caused the error. INTERPRET executes NUMBER and the presence of a decimal point "." indicates that the number is assumed as double integer instead of a simple integer.

After execution of the word found, the control is given back to the caller procedure.

KEY --- b

It shows a (flashing) cursor on current video position and waits for a keypress. It leaves the ASCII code b of the character read from keyboard without printing it to video. In this implementation some SYMBOL-SHIFT key combinations are decoded as follow:

E2	STOP	\rightarrow	7E	~
C3	NOT	\rightarrow	7C	
CD	STEP	\rightarrow	5C	\
CC	TO	\rightarrow	7B	{
CB	THEN	\rightarrow	7D	}
C6	AND	\rightarrow	5B	
C5	OR	\rightarrow	5D]
AC	AT	\rightarrow	7F	©
C7	<=	\rightarrow	20	space
C8	>=	\rightarrow	20	space
C9	<>	\rightarrow	06	as CAPS-SHIFT + 2 and toggles CAPS-SHIFT On and Off,

LATEST --- nfa

It leaves the nfa of the latest word defined in CURRENT vocabulary.

LEAVE ---

It forces the conclusion of a DO ... LOOP setting the limit at the current index I, inducing an exit at the first occasion. The index remains unaltered and the execution continues normally up to the following LOOP or +LOOP.

LFA pfa --- lfa

It converts a pfa in its Ifa. See also CFA, NFA, PFA, >BODY, <NAME.

LIMIT --- a

User variable that points to the first location above the last buffer. Normally it is the top of RAM, but not always. In this implementation, it can be set at E000h to allow MMU7 as a general purpose 8K RAM bank. See also: FIRST.

LIST n ---

It prints screen number n. Sets ${\tt SCR}$ to ${\tt n}.$

LIT --- n

It puts on TOS the value hold in the following location. It is automatically compiled a before each literal number.

LITERAL n --- n (immediate) (run time)
n --- (compile time)

At compile-time, LITERAL compiles LIT followed by the value n in the following cell. This is an immediate word and, a colon definition, it will be executed.

It is used in the form

: cccc ... [calculations] LITERAL ... ;

the compilation is suspended during the calculations and, when compilation resumes, LITERAL compiles the value put on TOS during the previous calculations.

LOAD n ---

It starts interpretation of screen $\,$ n. The loading phase ends at the end of the screen or at the first occurrence of ; S. See also -->

LOOP a n --- (immediate) (run time)
n --- (compile time)

Used in colon defintion in the form

DO ... LOOP ?DO ... LOOP

At run-time LOOP checks the jump to the corresponding DO. The index is incremented and the total compared with the limit; the jump back happens while the index is less than the limit. Otherwise the execution leaves the loop. On loop leaving, the parameters are discarded and the execution continues with the following word.

At compile-time LOOP compiles (LOOP) and the jump is calculated from HERE to a which is the address left by DO on the stack. The value n2 is used internally for syntax checking.

LP --- a

User variable for printer purposed. Not used.

LSHIFT n1 u --- n2

Shifts left an integer $n1\ \mbox{by}\ u$ bit.

M* n1 n2 --- d

Mixed operation. It leaves the product of n1 and n2 ad a double integer.

M/ d n1 --- n2 n3

Mixed operation. It leaves the remainder n2 and the quotient n3 of the integer division of a double integer d by the divisor n1. The sign of the reminder is the same as d.

M/MOD ud1 u1 --- u2 ud3

 $\textbf{Mixed operation. Leaves the remainder} \ u2 \ \textbf{and the quotient} \ ud3 \ \textbf{of the unsigned integer division of a double integer d by}$

the divisor n1.

It leaves the maximum between n1 e n2.

MESSAGE n ---

It prints to the current device the error message identified by n. If WARNING is zero, a short MSG#n is printed. If WARNING is non zero 1, line n of screen 4 (of drive 0) is displayed. Such a number can be positive or negative and lay beyond block 4. See also ERROR.

MIN n1 n2 --- n3

It leaves the minimum between n1 e n2.

MINUS n1 --- n2

It changes the sing of n1

MOD n1 n2 --- n3

It divides n1 by n2 and leaves the remainder n3. The sign is the same as n1.

NFA pfa --- nfa

It converts a word's pfa into its nfa. See also CFA, LFA, PFA, >BODY, <NAME.

NIP n1 n2 --- n2

It removes the second element from TOS. See also: OVER, DROP, TUCK, SWAP, DUP, ROT.

NMODE --- a

User variable that indicates how double numbers are interpreted. During the input, numbers can be read as double integers or as floating-point numbers. This variable is modified by the optional words INTEGER that sets it to 0 and FLOATING that sets it to 1.

NOOP ---

This token does nothing. Useful as a placeholder or to prevent crashes in INTERPRET.

NUMBER a --- d a --- fp (compile time)

It converts a counted string at address a with a in a double number. If NMODE is 0, the string is converted to double integer. Position of the last decimal point encountered is kept in DPL.

If NMODE is 1, a floating-point number conversion is tried.

If no conversion can be done, and error #0 is raised.

OFFSET --- a

User variable that states the beginning of "blocks area". The content of OFFSET is added by BLOCK to the number on TOS to determine the right offset to read from file open to "!Blocks.bin". Messages issued by MESSAGE are independent from OFFSET.

OR n1 n2 --- n3

It executes an OR binary operation between the two integers. The operation is performed bit by bit.

OUT --- a

User variable incremented by EMIT. The user can examine and alter OUT to control the video formatting.

OVER n1 n2 --- n1 n2 n1

It copies the second number from TOS and put it on the top. See also DROP, NIP, TUCK, SWAP, DUP, ROT.

P! u b ---

It sends to port $\, \mathbf{u} \,$ a byte $\, \mathbf{b} \,$. Note: $\, \mathbf{u} \,$ is a 16 bit port address and an OUT (C) op-code is internally executed.

P@ n --- b

It accepts the byte b from port u. Note: u is a 16 bit port address and an IN(C) op-code is internally executed.

PAD ---

It leaves on TOS the address of text output buffer. It is at a fixed distance of 68 byte over HERE.

PFA nfa --- pfa

It converts a word's nfa to its pfa. See also CFA, LFA, NFA, >BODY, <NAME.

PLACE --- a

User variable that holds the number of places after the decimal point to be shown during a numeric output conversion. See also PLACES.

PREV --- a

User variable that points to the last referred buffer. UPDATE marks that buffer so that it is later written to disk.

QUERY ---

It awaits from terminal up to 80 characters or until a CR is received. The text is stored in TIB. User variable IN is set to zero.

QUIT ---

It clears the Return-Stack, stops any compilations and return the control to the operator terminal. No message is issued.

R --- n

It copies to TOS the value on top of Return Stack without alter it.

R# --- a

User variable that holds the position of the editing cursor or other function relative to files.

R0 --- a

User variable that holds the initial value of the Return Stack Pointer. See also RP! and RP@.

R> --- n

It removes the top value from Return Stack and put it on TOS. See also >R, R and RP!.

R/W anf ---

Standard FIG-FORTH read-write facility. Address a specifies the buffer used as source or destination; n is the sequential number of the block; f is a flag, 0 to Write, 1 to Read. \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{W} determines the location on mass storage, performs the transfer and error checking.

RENAME ---

Used in the form:

RENAME cccc xxxx

Searches the word ccc in the CONTEXT vocabulary and changes its name to xxxx. The two word-names ccc e xxxx must have the same length.

REPEAT al n1 a2 n2 --- (immediate) (compile time)
--- (run time)

Used in colon defintion in the form:

BEGIN ... WHILE ... REPEAT

At run-time REPEAT does an inconditional jumt to the corresponding BEGIN.

At compile-time REPEAT compiles BRANCH and the offset from HERE to all and resolves the offset from all to the location after the loop; n1 and n1 are used for sysntax check.

It rotates the three top integers, taking the third an putting it on top. The other two integer are pushed down from top by one place. See also OVER, DROP, NIP, TUCK, SWAP, DUP.

RP! a ---

System procedure to initialize the Return Stack Pointer to the value passed on TOS that should be the address held in R0 user variable.

It leaves the current value of Return Stac	k Pointer.	
RSHIFT n1 u It shifts right an integer n1 by u bit.		n2
S->D n It converts a 16 bit integer into a 32 bit d	––– ouble inte	d ger, sign is preserved.
S0 User variable that holds the initial value of	––– of che SP r	a egister. See also: SP! and SP@.
SCR User variable that hold the number of the	––– e last scree	a en retrieved with LIST.
	-	rum, n is 0 and 1 for lower part of screen, 2 for the upper part, 3 for ys select chanle 2 to display the (flashing) cursor.
SIGN n d If n is negative, it puts an ASCII "-" at the discarded while d is kept. Used between		\boldsymbol{n} ng of the numeric string converted in the text buffer. Then, \boldsymbol{n} is $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$.
	d's smudge ds. mplete wo	
SP! a System procedure to initialize the SP regi	––– ster to the	e address a that should be the address hold in S0 user variable.
SP@ It returns the content of SP register before	 re SP@ wa	a s executed.
SPACE It sends a space to the current output pe	 ripheal, us	ually the video. See also SELECT.

--- a

RP@

SPACES n It sends n spaces. SPAN User variable that holds the number of characters got from the last ${\tt EXPECT}$. STATE а User variable that holds the compilator status. A non-zero value indicates a compilation in progress. **SWAP** n1 n2 ___ n2 n1 It swaps the two top element at the TOS. See also OVER, DROP, NIP, TUCK, DUP, ROT. THEN (immediate) (compile time) Synonym of ENDIF. TIB User variable that holds the address of the Terminal Input Buffer. TO n Used in the form: TO cccc It ssigns the value n to the variable cccc previously defined via VALUE. a b ---TOGGLE The byte at location address a is XOR-ed with the model b. TRAVERSE a1 **a2** n It spans through the name-field of a definition depending on the value of n. If n = 1, then all must be the beginning of the name-field, i.e. nfa itself; a2 is the address of the last byte of the name field. If n = -1, then a1 must be the last byte of name-field and a2 will be the nfa. Used by da NFA and PFA.

n2 n1 n2 It takes the top element of calculator stack and copies after the second. See also OVER, DROP, NIP, SWAP, DUP, ROT.

TYPE n

n1 n2

TUCK

It sends to the current output peripheal $\, n \,$ characters starting from address $\, a \,$.

U. u ---

It prints an unsigned integer followed by a space.

U< u1 u2 --- f

It leaves a tf if u1 is less than u2, a ff otherwise.

UM* u1 u2 --- ud

Unsigned product of the two integers u1 and u2. The result is a double integer.

UM/MOD ud u1 --- u2 u3

It leaves the quotient u3 and the reminder u2 of the integer division of ud / u1.

UNTIL a n --- (immediate) (compile time)

f --- (run time)

Used in colon definition in the forms

BEGIN ... UNTIL

At run-time UNTIL controls a conditional jump to the corresponding BEGIN when f is false; the exit from the loop happens if f is true.

At compile-time UNTIL compiles <code>OBRANCH</code> and an offset from <code>HERE</code> to a; n is used for syntax checking.

UPDATE ---

It marks as modified the most recent used buffer, the one pointed by PREV. The block contained in the buffer will be transferred to disk when that buffer is requested for another block.

USE --- a

User variable that holds the buffer address of the block to be read from disk or that has just been written to.

USER n ---

Defining word used in the form

n USER cccc

creates an user variable 'ccc'. The first byte of pfa of ccc is a fixed offset for the User Pointer, that is the pointer for the user area. In this implementation there is only one User Area and a fixed User Pointer.

When ccc is later executed, it put on TOS the sum of offset and User Pointer, sum to be used ad the address for that specific user variable. The user variable are: TIB, WIDTH, WARNING, FENCE, DP, VOC-LINK, FIRST, LIMIT, EXP, NMODE, BLK, IN, OUT, SCR, OFFSET, CONTEXT, CURRENT, STATE, BASE, DPL, FLD, CSP, R#, HLD, USE, PREV, LP, PLACE, DL.

VALUE n ---

Defining word used in the form:

n VALUE cccc

Creates the word cocc that acts as a variable. To store a value in such a variable you have to use TO.

When cocc is later executed it directly returns the value of the variable without the need to access its address using @.

VARIABLE n ---

Defining word used in the form:

n VARIABLE cccc

creates the word ccc with the pfa containing the initial value n. When ccc is executed, it puts on TOS the pfa of ccc that is the address that holds the value n.

When used in the form

cccc @

the content of the variable cccc is left on TOS.

When used in the form

n cccc!

the value on TOS is stored to the variable cccc.

VIDEO ---

It sets $\mathtt{DEV}\setminus\mathtt{ICE}$ to 2 select the video as current output peripheral.

VOC-LINK --- a

User variable that holds the address of a field in the definition of the last vocabulary. Each vocabulary is part of a linked-list that use that field as pointer-chain.

VOCABULARY ---

Defining word used in the form

VOCABULARY ccc

creates the word $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{ccc}}}$ that gives the name of a new vocabulary.

Later execution of

cccc

makes such vocabulary the CONTEXT vocabulary, so that it is possible to search for words defined in this vocabulary first and execute them.

Used in the form

cccc DEFINITIONS

makes such vocabulary the CURRENT vocabulary, so that it is possible to insert new definitions in it.

It executes a XOR binary operation between the two integers. The operation is performed bit by bit.

WARM ---

It executes a warm system restart. Executes ${\tt EMPTY-BUFFERS}$ and ${\tt ABORT}.$

WARNING --- a

User variable that determines the way an error message is reported. If zero, only a short "MSG#n" is reported. If non zero, a long message is reported. See also ERROR.

WHILE f --- (immediate) (run time)
a n --- al nl a2 n2 (compile time)

Used in colon defintion in the form:

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BEGIN ... WHILE ... REPEAT
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At run-time WHILE does a conditional execution based on f. If f is true, the execution continues to a REPEAT which will jump to the corresponding BEGIN. If f is false, the execution continues after the REPEAT quitting the loop.

At compile-time WHILE compiles <code>OBRANCH</code> leaving <code>a2</code> for the offset; <code>a2</code> will be comsumed by a <code>REPEAT</code>. The address <code>a1</code> and the number <code>n1</code> was left by a <code>BEGIN</code>.

WIDTH --- a

User variable that indicates the maximum number of significant characters of the words during compilation of a definition. It must be between 1 and 31.

WORD c --- a

It reads characters from the current input stream up to a delimiter c and stores such string at HERE that is left on TOS. WORD leaves, as the first byte, the length of the string and ends everything with at least two spaces. Further occurrences of c will be ignored.

If BLK is zero, the text is taken from the terminal input buffer TIB. Otherwise the text is taken from the disk block held in BLK. User variable IN is added with the number of character read, the number ENCLOSE return.

WORDS ---

It lists the words of CONTEXT vocabulary. Pressing Break stops.

X ---

It show the splash screen.

[--- (immediate)

Used in colon defintion in the form:

: cccc [...] ... ;

it suspends compilation. The words that follows [will be executed instead of being compiled. This allows to perform some calculations or start other compilers before resuming the original compilation with]. See also LITERAL.

[CHAR] --- (immediate) (compile time)

It is the same as the sequence $\mbox{[}$ CHAR \mbox{c} $\mbox{]}$ LITERAL.

It is used in colon defintion in the form:

: cccc ... [CHAR] c ...;

At compile time, [CHAR] compiles LIT and the numeric value of ASCII character c in the following cell.

[COMPILE] --- (immediate)

Used in colon defintion in the form:

: cccc ... [COMPILE] wwww ...;

[COMPILE] forces the compilation of a definition wwww that is immediate. Normally immediate words aren't compiled but executed and to compile an immediate word it is not possible to use the sequence COMPILE wwww but it is necessary to use the sequence [COMPILE] wwww.

Used in the from:

\ ...

Any character that follow \ until the end of line are treated as a comment.

] ---

It resumes the compilation suspended by [so it is possible to complete the definition.

Error messages.

Code	Message
#0	?
#1	Stack is empty.
#2	Dictionary full.
#3	No such line.
#4	has already been defined.
#5	Invalid stream.
#6	No such block.
#7	Stack is full!
#8	Old dictionary is full.
#9	Tape error.
#10	Wrong array index.
#11	Invalid floating point.
#17	Can't be executed.
#18	Can't be compiled.
#19	Syntax error.
#20	Bad definition end.
#21	is a protected word.
#22	Aren't loading now.
#23	Forget across vocabularies.
#24	RS loading error.
#25	Cannot open stream.
#26	Error at postit time.
#27	Inconsistent fixup.
#28	Unexpected fixup/commaer.
#29	Commaer data error.
#30	Commaer wrong order.
#31	Programming error.
#33	Programming error.
#45	NextZXOS pos error.
#46	NextZXOS read error.

#47 NextZXOS write error.