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# CHAPTER

# 1

## Introduction

- **Welcome to the MEGA65!**
- **Other Books in this series**
- **Come Join Us!**



# WELCOME TO THE MEGA65!

Congratulations on your purchase of one of the most long-awaited computers in the history of computing! The MEGA65 is community designed, and based on the never-released Commodore® 65<sup>1</sup> computer; a computer designed in 1989 and intended for public release in 1990. Decades have passed, and we have endeavoured to invoke memories of an earlier time when computers were simple and friendly. They were not only simple to operate and understand, but friendly and approachable for new users.

These 1980s computers inspired many of their owners to pursue the exciting and rewarding technology careers they have today. Just imagine the exhilaration these early computing pioneers experienced, as they learned they could use their new computer to solve problems, write a letter, prepare taxes, invent new things, discover how the universe works, and perhaps even play an exciting game or two! We want to re-awaken that same level of excitement (which alas, is no longer found in modern computing), so we have created the **MEGA65**.

The MEGA65 team believes that owning a computer is like owning a home. You don't just use a home; you change things, big and small, to make it your own custom living space. After a while, when you settle in, you may decide to renovate or expand your home to make it more comfortable, or provide more utility. Think of the MEGA65 as your very own "computing home".

This guide will teach you how to do more than just hang pictures on a wall; it will show you how to build your dream home. While you read this user's guide, you will learn how to operate the MEGA65, write programs, add additional software, and extend hardware capabilities. What won't be immediately obvious is that along the journey, you will also learn about the history of computing as you explore the many facets of BASIC version 65 and operating system commands.

Computer graphics and music make computing more fun, and we designed the MEGA65 to be fun! In this user's guide, you will learn how to write programs using the MEGA65's built-in **graphics** and **sound** capabilities. But you don't need to be a programmer to have fun with the MEGA65. Because the MEGA65 includes a complete Commodore® 64™<sup>2</sup>, it can also run thousands of existing games, utilities, and business software packages, as well as new programs being written today by Commodore computer enthusiasts. Excitement for the MEGA65 will grow as we all witness the programming marvels our MEGA65 community create, as they (and you!) discover and master the powerful capabilities of this modern Commodore computer recreation. Together, we can build a new "homebrew" community, teeming with software

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and projects that push the MEGA65's capabilities far beyond what anyone thought would be possible.

We welcome you on this journey! Thank you for becoming a part of the MEGA65 community of users, programmers, and enthusiasts!

## OTHER BOOKS IN THIS SERIES

This book is one of several within the MEGA65 documentation suite. The series includes:

- **The MEGA65 User's Guide**  
Provides an introduction to the MEGA65, and a condensed BASIC 65 command reference
- **The MEGA65 BASIC 65 Reference**  
Comprehensive documentation of all BASIC 65 commands, functions and operators
- **The MEGA65 Chipset Reference**  
Detailed documentation about the MEGA65 and C65's custom chips
- **The MEGA65 Developer's Guide**  
Information for developers who wish to write programs for the MEGA65
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- <https://mega65.org/forum>

# CHAPTER 2

## BASIC 65 Command Reference

- **Commands, Functions and Operators**
- **BASIC Command Reference**



# COMMANDS, FUNCTIONS AND OPERATORS

This appendix describes each of the commands, functions, and other callable elements of BASIC 65, which is an enhanced version of BASIC 10. Some of these can take one or more arguments, which are pieces of input that you provide as part of the command or function call, to help describe what you want to achieve. Some also require that you use special words.

Below is an example of how commands, functions, and operators (all of which are also known as keywords) will be described in this appendix.

**KEY** number, string

Here, **KEY** is a keyword. Keywords are special words that BASIC understands. Keywords are always written in **BOLD CAPITALS**, so that you can easily recognise them.

The words not in bold must be replaced for the command, function or operator to work. In this example, we need to replace number with a numeric expression, and string with a string expression. We'll explain what expressions are a bit more in a few moments.

The comma, and some other symbols and punctuation marks, just represent themselves when they are in bold. In our example here, it means that there must be a comma between the number and the string.

You might also see symbols and punctuation marks that are not in bold. When they are not in bold they have a special meaning. You might see square brackets around something. For example: [, numeric expression]. This means that whatever appears between the square brackets is optional. That is, you can include it if you need to, but the command, function or operator will also work just fine without it. For example, the **CIRCLE** command has an optional numeric argument to indicate if the circle should be filled when being drawn.

This arrangement of keywords, expressions and symbols is what's called syntax. If you miss something out, or put the wrong thing in the wrong place, it is called a syntax error. The computer will tell you that you have a syntax error by displaying a ?SYNTAX ERROR message.

There is nothing to worry about if you get an error from the MEGA65. Instead, it is just the MEGA65's way of telling you that something isn't quite right, so that you can more easily find and fix the problem. Error messages such as this won't hurt the computer or cause any damage to your program, so there is nothing to worry about. For example, if we accidentally left the comma out, or replaced it with a full stop, the MEGA65 will respond with a ?SYNTAX ERROR, similar to what's shown below:

```
KEY 8"FISH"
```

```
?SYNTAX ERROR
```

```
KEY 8."FISH"
```

```
?SYNTAX ERROR
```

It is very common for commands, functions and operators to use one or more **“expressions”**. An expression is just a fancy name for something that has, or equates to a value. This could be as simple as a string ("HELLO"), a number (23.7), or a complex calculation that might include one or more functions or operators (LEN("HELLO") \* (3 XOR 7)). Generally speaking, expressions can result in either a string or a numeric result. In this case we call the expressions string expressions or numeric expressions. For example, "HELLO" is a **string expression**, while 23.7 is a **numeric expression**.

It is important to use the correct type of expression when writing your programs. If you accidentally use the wrong type, the MEGA65 will display a **?TYPE MISMATCH ERROR**, to say that the type of expression you gave doesn't match what it expected. For example, we will get a **?TYPE MISMATCH ERROR** if we type the following command, because "POTATO" is a string expression instead of a numeric expression:

```
KEY "POTATO", "SOUP"
```

If you wish, you can try typing this in yourself.

Commands are statements that you can use directly from the **READY.** prompt, or from within a program, for example:

```
PRINT "HELLO"  
HELLO
```

```
10 PRINT "HELLO"  
RUN  
HELLO
```

You can place a sequence of statements within a single line by separating them with colons, for example:

```
PRINT "HELLO" : PRINT "HOW ARE YOU?" : PRINT "HOW IS THE WEATHER?"  
HELLO  
HOW ARE YOU?  
HOW IS THE WEATHER?
```

## Direct Mode Commands

Note that some commands are said to only work in **direct mode**. This means that the command can't be part of a BASIC program, but can be entered directly to the screen. In the two **PRINT** examples above, the first was entered in direct mode, whereas the second one wasn't. The examples above would work since **PRINT** works in both direct and indirect mode.

## Command Format Syntax

The following table describes what the other symbols found in this appendix mean.

Symbol	Meaning
...	The bracket can be repeated zero or more times
[ ]	Optional
<   >	Include one of the choices
[   ]	Optionally include one of the choices
{ , }	One or more of the arguments is required. The commas to the left of the last argument included are required. Trailing commas must be omitted. See <b>CURSOR</b> for an example.
{ { , } }	Similar to { , } but all arguments can be omitted

## Fonts

Whenever there's a piece of text in this appendix that reflects some logic, something you can type, or something the MEGA65 could display, the text will **WILL USE THIS FONT**. This helps make it easier to for you to distinguish between these things and the written text.

## BASIC 65 Constants

Type	Example	Example
Decimal Integer	32000	-55
Decimal Fixed Point	3.14	-7654.321
Decimal Floating Point	1.5E03	7.7E-02
Hex	\$D020	\$FF
String	"X"	"TEXT"

## BASIC 65 Variables

Each scalar variable consumes 8 bytes of storage in memory. The reserved area in bank 0 from \$F700-\$FEFF can store 256 variables. Variables don't need to be declared, and their type is determined by an appended character. All variables without an appended character are regarded as REAL by default, and storage is claimed at their first usage. They are also initialised to zero, whereas string variables are initialised as an empty string "".

All 104 one-letter variables are declared as **fast** variables. 26 user functions are declared as **fast** functions. These are the variables (A - Z), (A% - Z%), (A& - Z&) and (A\$ - Z\$) and the functions (FNA() - FNZ()). They have fixed memory addresses in the range \$FD00 - \$FEFF, the address is generated by a hash algorithm from the variable name. The access to these variables and functions, either use or definition, is much faster, than the access to two letter variables and functions. The address of fast variables and functions is computed by a very fast algorithm, while the address of two-letter variables and functions is stored in a table, which has to be searched for every use.

Type	Appended Character	Range	Example
Byte	&	0 .. 255	BV& = 23
Integer	%	-32768 .. 32767	I% = 5
Real	none	-1E37 .. 1E37	XV = 1/3
String	\$	length = 0 .. 255	AB\$ = "TEXT"

## BASIC 65 Arrays

Each array consumes the number of elements multiplied by the item size, plus the size of the header (6 + 2 \* dimensions) in memory. For example the array

```
100 DIM X(8,2,3)
```

has 3 dimensions and 108 (9 x 3 x 4) items. You might be asking: Why is it 9 x 3 x 4, when the program uses 8, 2, and 3? This is because array indexes start at 0, not 1.

The size for real items is 5, so the data of that array above would occupy 540 (5 x 108) bytes. The header size is 12 bytes (6 + 2 \* 3), so the total length in memory is 552 bytes (540 + 12).

Arrays are stored in bank 1 starting at address \$2000 and expand upwards. They share the available memory at \$2000 .. \$F6FF with the string area, which starts in bank 1 at address \$F6FF, and expands *downwards*. Each of the above scalar variable types can be used as an array, by declaring them with a **DIM** statement. The arrays are initialised to zero for all elements on declaration. If an undeclared array element is used, an automatic implicit declaration is performed, which sets the upper boundary for each dimension to 10. For example, the usage of an undeclared element `AB(3,5)` would automatically perform a `DIM AB(10,10)`. As noted previously, the lower boundary for each dimension is always 0 (zero), so an array initialised with `DIM AB(10)` consists of 11 elements and accepts indexes from 0 to 10.

String arrays are more precisely expressed as *arrays of string descriptors*. Each item consists of three bytes, which hold these values: The length of the string, and the 2 byte address (low/high byte) of the string in string memory. The usage of the BASIC function **POINTER** with a string or string array element as the argument, returns the address of the descriptor, not the string itself.

Type & Item Size	Appended Character	Range	Example	
Byte Array	1	&	0 .. 255	<code>BY&amp;(5,6) = 23</code>
Integer Array	2	%	-32768 .. 32767	<code>I%(0,10) = 5</code>
Real Array	5	none	-1E37 .. 1E37	<code>XY(I%) = 1/3</code>
String Array	3	\$	0 .. 255 characters	<code>AB\$(X) = "TEXT"</code>

## BASIC 65 Operators

BASIC 65 provides a set of operators that are typical of most BASIC programming dialects. The usage and precedence of these operators is documented in this section.

The = symbol is used both as an assignment operator, and as a relational operator for testing equality. For example, in the statement `A = B = 5`, the first equal sign is the assignment operator, while the second is a logical operator, comparing the variable `B` with 5. The value of `A` will either be assigned the value -1 (for **TRUE**), or the value 0 (for **FALSE**). You may have noticed that the value of -1 for **TRUE** is different to other programming languages, such as **C**, where the value of 1 is used for **TRUE** instead.

The + symbol can be used as a positive sign for numerical expressions, as an addition operator, or for string concatenation. The number and type of operands determines the operation.

The - symbol can be used as a negative sign for numerical expressions, or as a subtraction operator. The number and type of operands determines the operation.

The operators NOT, AND, OR and XOR can be used both as logical operators, or as boolean operators.

- Logical Operator Example: IF A>B AND A<0
- Boolean Operator Example: A = B AND \$7F

Both examples always produce an integer result internally, which can be interpreted either numerically or logically. If the result of a comparison is **TRUE**, the value will be set to -1, while a **FALSE** result yields 0. In the boolean operator example above, the AND operator converts both operands to a 16-bit integer value, and performs a bitwise AND for all 16 bits. This example will take the value of B, set the upper 9 bits to zero, and store the result in A.

The result of logical operations can be used in numerical expressions as well, for example, A = A - (B > 7) will increment A by 1 if the result of (B > 7) is **TRUE** (-1). This is because the mathematical expression of A = A - (-1) is the same as A = A + 1.

The operators have precedences, which are listed in the tables below. In the statement A \* A - B \* B both multiplications will be performed first, before the subtraction is executed. Parentheses are used to change the precedence, for example A \* (A - B) \* B will execute the subtraction first.

## Assignment Operator

Symbol	Description	Examples
=	Assignment	A = 42, A\$ = "HELLO", A = B < 42

## Unary Mathematical Operators

Name	Symbol	Description	Example
Plus	+	Positive sign	A = +42
Minus	-	Negative sign	B = -42

## Binary Mathematical Operators

Name	Symbol	Description	Example
Plus	+	Addition	$A = B + 42$
Minus	-	Subtraction	$B = A - 42$
Asterisk	*	Multiplication	$C = A * B$
Slash	/	Division	$D = B / 13$
Up Arrow	↑	Exponentiation	$E = 2 \uparrow 10$
Left Shift	<<	Left Shift	$A = B \ll 2$
Right Shift	>>	Right Shift	$A = B \gg 1$

Note that the ↑ character used for exponentiation is entered with ↑, which is next to .

## Relational Operators

Symbol	Description	Example
>	Greater Than	$A > 42$
>=	Greater Than or Equal To	$B >= 42$
<	Less Than	$A < 42$
<=	Less Than or Equal To	$B <= 42$
=	Equal	$A = 42$
<>	Not Equal	$B <> 42$

## Logical Operators

Keyword	Description	Example
AND	And	$A > 42 \text{ AND } A < 84$
OR	Or	$A > 42 \text{ OR } A = 0$
XOR	Exclusive Or	$A > 42 \text{ XOR } B > 42$
NOT	Negation	$C = \text{NOT } A > B$

## Boolean Operators

Keyword	Description	Example
AND	And	$A = B \text{ AND } \$FF$
OR	Or	$A = B \text{ OR } \$00$
XOR	Exclusive Or	$A = B \text{ XOR } 1$
NOT	Negation	$A = \text{NOT } 22$

## String Operator

Name	Symbol	Description	Operand type	Example
Plus	+	Concatenates Strings	String	A\$ = B\$ + ".PRG"

## Operator Precedence

Precedence	Operators
High	↑ + - (Unary Mathematical) * / + - (Binary Mathematical) « » (Arithmetic Shifts) < (=) > = <>
Low	NOT AND OR XOR

## Keywords And Tokens Part 1

*	AC	COLOR	E7	FAST	FE25
+	AA	CONCAT	FE13	FGOSUB	FE48
-	AB	CONT	9A	FGOTO	FE47
/	AD	COPY	F4	FILTER	FE03
<	B3	COS	BE	FIND	FE2B
=	B2	CURSOR	FE41	FN	A5
>	B1	CUT	E4	FONT	FE46
ABS	B6	DATA	83	FOR	81
AND	AF	DCLEAR	FE15	FOREGROUND	FE39
APPEND	FE0E	DCLOSE	FE0F	FORMAT	FE37
ASC	C6	DEC	D1	FRE	B8
ATN	C1	DEF	96	FREAD#	FE1C
AUTO	DC	DELETE	F7	FWRITE#	FE1E
BACKGROUND	FE3B	DIM	86	GCOPY	FE32
BACKUP	F6	DIR	EE	GENLOCK	FE38
BANK	FE02	DISK	FE40	GET	A1
BEGIN	FE18	DLOAD	F0	GO	CB
BEND	FE19	DMA	FE1F	GOSUB	8D
BLOAD	FE11	DMODE	FE35	GOTO	89
BOOT	FE1B	DO	EB	GRAPHIC	DE
BORDER	FE3C	DOPEN	FE0D	HEADER	F1
BOX	E1	DPAT	FE36	HELP	EA
BSAVE	FE10	DSAVE	EF	HEX\$	D2
BUMP	CE03	DVERIFY	FE14	HIGHLIGHT	FE3D
BVERIFY	FE28	ECTORY	FE29	IF	8B
CATALOG	FE0C	EDIT	FE45	INPUT	85
CHANGE	FE2C	EDMA	FE21	INPUT#	84
CHAR	E0	ELLIPSE	FE30	INSTR	D4
CHR\$	C7	ELSE	D5	INT	B5
CIRCLE	E2	END	80	JOY	CF
CLOSE	A0	ENVELOPE	FE0A	KEY	F9
CLR	9C	ERASE	FE2A	LEFT\$	C8
CMD	9D	ERR\$	D3	LEN	C3
COLLECT	F3	EXIT	ED	LET	88
COLLISION	FE17	EXP	BD	LINE	E5

## Keywords And Tokens Part 2

LIST	9B	PRINT#	98	SLEEP	FE0B
LOAD	93	PUDEF	DD	SOUND	DA
LOADIFF	FE43	RCOLOR	CD	SPC(	A6
LOG	BC	RCURSOR	FE42	SPEED	FE26
LOG10	CE08	READ	87	SPRCOLOR	FE08
LOOP	EC	RECORD	FE12	SPRDEF	FE1D
LPEN	CE04	REM	8F	SPRITE	FE07
MEM	FE23	RENAME	F5	SPRSAV	FE16
MERGE	E6	RENUMBER	F8	SQR	BA
MID\$	CA	RESTORE	8C	STEP	A9
MOD	CE0B	RESUME	D6	STOP	90
MONITOR	FA	RETURN	8E	STR\$	C4
MOUSE	FE3E	RGRAPHIC	CC	SYS	9E
MOVSPR	FE06	RIGHT\$	C9	TAB(	A3
NEW	A2	RMOUSE	FE3F	TAN	C0
NEXT	82	RND	BB	TEMPO	FE05
NOT	A8	RPALETTE	CE0D	THEN	A7
OFF	FE24	RPEN	DO	TO	A4
ON	91	RPLAY	CE0F	TRAP	D7
OPEN	9F	RREG	FE09	TROFF	D9
OR	B0	RSPCOLOR	CE07	TRON	D8
PAINT	DF	RSPEED	CE0E	TYPE	FE27
PALETTE	FE34	RSPPPOS	CE05	UNTIL	FC
PASTE	E3	RSPRITE	CE06	USING	FB
PEEK	C2	RUN	8A	USR	B7
PEN	FE33	RWINDOW	CE09	VAL	C5
PIXEL	CE0C	SAVE	94	VERIFY	95
PLAY	FE04	SAVEIFF	FE44	VIEWPORT	FE31
POINTER	CE0A	SCNCLR	E8	VOL	DB
POKE	97	SCRATCH	F2	WAIT	92
POLYGON	FE2F	SCREEN	FE2E	WHILE	FD
POS	B9	SET	FE2D	WINDOW	FE1A
POT	CE02	SGN	B4	XOR	E9
PRINT	99	SIN	BF	^	AE

## Tokens And Keywords Part 1

80 END	A3 TAB(	C6 ASC
81 FOR	A4 TO	C7 CHR\$
82 NEXT	A5 FN	C8 LEFT\$
83 DATA	A6 SPC(	C9 RIGHT\$
84 INPUT#	A7 THEN	CA MID\$
85 INPUT	A8 NOT	CB GO
86 DIM	A9 STEP	CC RGRAPHIC
87 READ	AA +	CD RCOLOR
88 LET	AB -	CF JOY
89 GOTO	AC *	DO RPEN
8A RUN	AD /	D1 DEC
8B IF	AE ^	D2 HEX\$
8C RESTORE	AF AND	D3 ERR\$
8D GOSUB	B0 OR	D4 INSTR
8E RETURN	B1 >	D5 ELSE
8F REM	B2 =	D6 RESUME
90 STOP	B3 <	D7 TRAP
91 ON	B4 SGN	D8 TRON
92 WAIT	B5 INT	D9 TROFF
93 LOAD	B6 ABS	DA SOUND
94 SAVE	B7 USR	DB VOL
95 VERIFY	B8 FRE	DC AUTO
96 DEF	B9 POS	DD PUDEF
97 POKE	BA SQR	DE GRAPHIC
98 PRINT#	BB RND	DF PAINT
99 PRINT	BC LOG	E0 CHAR
9A CONT	BD EXP	E1 BOX
9B LIST	BE COS	E2 CIRCLE
9C CLR	BF SIN	E3 PASTE
9D CMD	CO TAN	E4 CUT
9E SYS	C1 ATN	E5 LINE
9F OPEN	C2 PEEK	E6 MERGE
A0 CLOSE	C3 LEN	E7 COLOR
A1 GET	C4 STR\$	E8 SCNCLR
A2 NEW	C5 VAL	E9 XOR

## Tokens And Keywords Part 2

EA HELP	FE02 BANK	FE26 SPEED
EB DO	FE03 FILTER	FE27 TYPE
EC LOOP	FE04 PLAY	FE28 BVERIFY
ED EXIT	FE05 TEMPO	FE29 ECTORY
EE DIR	FE06 MOVSPR	FE2A ERASE
EF DSAVE	FE07 SPRITE	FE2B FIND
F0 DLOAD	FE08 SPRCOLOR	FE2C CHANGE
F1 HEADER	FE09 RREG	FE2D SET
F2 SCRATCH	FE0A ENVELOPE	FE2E SCREEN
F3 COLLECT	FE0B SLEEP	FE2F POLYGON
F4 COPY	FE0C CATALOG	FE30 ELLIPSE
F5 RENAME	FE0D DOPEN	FE31 VIEWPORT
F6 BACKUP	FE0E APPEND	FE32 GCOPY
F7 DELETE	FE0F DCLOSE	FE33 PEN
F8 RENUMBER	FE10 BSAVE	FE34 PALETTE
F9 KEY	FE11 BLOAD	FE35 DMODE
FA MONITOR	FE12 RECORD	FE36 DPAT
FB USING	FE13 CONCAT	FE37 FORMAT
FC UNTIL	FE14 DVERIFY	FE38 GENLOCK
FD WHILE	FE15 DCLEAR	FE39 FOREGROUND
CE02 POT	FE16 SPRSAV	FE3B BACKGROUND
CE03 BUMP	FE17 COLLISION	FE3C BORDER
CE04 LPEN	FE18 BEGIN	FE3D HIGHLIGHT
CE05 RSPPOS	FE19 BEND	FE3E MOUSE
CE06 RSPRITE	FE1A WINDOW	FE3F RMOUSE
CE07 RSPCOLOR	FE1B BOOT	FE40 DISK
CE08 LOG10	FE1C FREAD#	FE41 CURSOR
CE09 RWINDOW	FE1D SPRDEF	FE42 RCURSOR
CE0A POINTER	FE1E FWRITE#	FE43 LOADIFF
CE0B MOD	FE1F DMA	FE44 SAVEIFF
CE0C PIXEL	FE21 EDMA	FE45 EDIT
CE0D RPALETTE	FE23 MEM	FE46 FONT
CE0E RSPEED	FE24 OFF	FE47 FGOTO
CE0F RPLAY	FE25 FAST	FE48 FGOSUB

# BASIC COMMAND REFERENCE

# ABS

**Token:** \$B6

**Format:** **ABS**(x)

**Usage:** **ABS** returns the absolute value of the numeric argument **x**.  
**x** numeric argument (integer or real expression).

**Remarks:** The result is of type real.

**Example:** Using **ABS**

```
PRINT ABS(-123)
123
PRINT ABS(4.5)
4.5
PRINT ABS(-4.5)
4.5
```

# AND

**Token:** \$AF

**Format:** operand **AND** operand

**Usage:** **AND** performs a bit-wise logical AND operation on two 16-bit values. Integer operands are used as they are. Real operands are converted to a signed 16-bit integer (losing precision). Logical operands are converted to 16-bit integer using \$FFFF (decimal -1) for TRUE, and \$0000 (decimal 0) for FALSE.

Expression	Result
0 AND 0	0
0 AND 1	0
1 AND 0	0
1 AND 1	1

**Remarks:** The result is of type integer. If the result is used in a logical context, the value of 0 is regarded as FALSE, and all other non-zero values are regarded as TRUE.

**Examples:** Using **AND**

```
PRINT 1 AND 3
1
PRINT 128 AND 64
0
```

In most cases, **AND** is used in **IF** statements.

```
IF (C >= 0 AND C < 256) THEN PRINT "BYTE VALUE"
```

# APPEND

**Token:** \$FE \$OE

**Format:** **APPEND#** channel, filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Opens an existing sequential file of type **SEQ** or **USR** for writing, and positions the write pointer at the end of the file.

**channel** number, where:

- **1** <= **channel** <= **127** line terminator is CR.
- **128** <= **channel** <= **255** line terminator is CR LF.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **APPEND#** works similarly to **DOPEN#... ,W**, except that the file must already exist. The content of the file is retained, and all printed text is appended to the end. Trying to **APPEND** to a non existing file reports a DOS error.

**Examples:** Open existing file in append mode:

```
APPEND#5,"DATA",U9
APPEND#130,(DD$),U(UN%)
APPEND#3,"USER FILE,U"
APPEND#2,"DATA BASE"
```

# ASC

**Token:** \$C6

**Format:** **ASC**(string)

**Usage:** Takes the first character of the string argument and returns its numeric code value. The name was apparently chosen to be a mnemonic to ASCII, but the returned value is in fact the so-called PETSCII code.

**Remarks:** **ASC** returns zero for an empty string, whose behaviour is different to BASIC 2, where `ASC("")` gave an error. The inverse function to **ASC** is **CHR\$**. Refer to the **CHR\$** function on page 45 for more information.

**Examples:** Using **ASC**

```
PRINT ASC("MEGA")
77
PRINT ASC("")
0
```

# ATN

**Token:** \$C1

**Format:** **ATN**(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns the arc tangent of the argument. The result is in the range  $(-\pi/2$  to  $\pi/2)$

**Remarks:** A multiplication of the result with  $180/\pi$  converts the value to the unit "degrees". **ATN** is the inverse function to **TAN**.

**Examples:** Using **ATN**

```
PRINT ATN(0.5)
.463647609
PRINT ATN(0.5) * 180 / pi
26.5650512
```

# AUTO

**Token:** \$DC

**Format:** **AUTO** [step]

**Usage:** Enables faster typing of BASIC programs. After submitting a new program line to the BASIC editor with , the **AUTO** function generates a new BASIC line number for the entry of the next line. The new number is computed by adding **step** to the current line number.

**step** line number increment

Typing **AUTO** with no argument disables it.

**Examples:** Using **AUTO**

```
AUTO 10 : USE AUTO WITH INCREMENT 10
AUTO    : SWITCH AUTO OFF
```

# BACKGROUND

**Token:** \$FE \$3B

**Format:** **BACKGROUND** colour

**Usage:** Sets the background colour of the screen to the argument, which must be in the range of 0 to 255. All colours within this range are customisable via the **PALETTE** command. On startup, the MEGA65 only has the first 32 colours configured, which are described in the following table.

**Colours:** **Index and RGB values of colour palette**

Index	Red	Green	Blue	Colour
0	0	0	0	Black
1	15	15	15	White
2	15	0	0	Red
3	0	15	15	Cyan
4	15	0	15	Purple
5	0	15	0	Green
6	0	0	15	Blue
7	15	15	0	Yellow
8	15	6	0	Orange
9	10	4	0	Brown
10	15	7	7	Pink
11	5	5	5	Dark Grey
12	8	8	8	Medium Grey
13	9	15	9	Light Green
14	9	9	15	Light Blue
15	11	11	11	Light Grey
16	14	0	0	Guru Meditation
17	15	5	0	Rambutan
18	15	11	0	Carrot
19	14	14	0	Lemon Tart
20	7	15	0	Pandan
21	6	14	6	Seasick Green
22	0	14	3	Soylent Green
23	0	15	9	Slimer Green
24	0	13	13	The Other Cyan
25	0	9	15	Sea Sky
26	0	3	15	Smurf Blue
27	0	0	14	Screen of Death
28	7	0	15	Plum Sauce
29	12	0	15	Sour Grape
30	15	0	11	Bubblegum
31	15	3	6	Hot Tamales

**Example:** Using **BACKGROUND**

```
BACKGROUND 3 : REM SELECT BACKGROUND COLOUR CYAN
```

# BACKUP

**Token:** \$F6

**Format:** **BACKUP U** source **TO U** target  
**BACKUP D** source **TO D** target [,U unit]

**Usage:** The first form of **BACKUP**, specifying units for source and target can only be used for the drives connected to the internal FDC (Floppy Disk Controller). Units 8 and 9 are reserved for this controller. These can be either the internal floppy drive (unit 8) and another floppy drive (unit 9) attached to the same ribbon cable, or mounted D81 disk images. Therefore, **BACKUP** can be used to copy from floppy to floppy, floppy to image, image to floppy and image to image, depending on image mounts and the existence of a second physical floppy drive.

The second form of **BACKUP**, specifying drives for source and target, is meant to be used for dual drive units connected to the IEC bus. For example: CBM 4040, 8050, 8250 via an IEEE-488 to IEC adapter. The backup is then done by the disk unit internally.

**source** unit or drive # of source disk.

**target** unit or drive # of target disk.

**Remarks:** The target disk will be formatted and an identical copy of the source disk will be written.

**BACKUP** cannot be used to backup from internal devices to IEC devices or vice versa.

**Examples:** Using **BACKUP**

```
BACKUP U8 TO U9 : REM BACKUP INTERNAL DRIVE 8 TO DRIVE 9
BACKUP U9 TO U8 : REM BACKUP DRIVE 9 TO INTERNAL DRIVE 8
BACKUP D8 TO D1, U10 : REM BACKUP ON DUAL DRIVE CONNECTED VIA IEC
```

# BANK

**Token:** \$FE \$02

**Format:** **BANK** bank number

**Usage:** Selects the memory configuration for BASIC commands that use 16-bit addresses. These are **LOAD**, **LOADIFF**, **PEEK**, **POKE**, **SAVE**, **SYS**, and **WAIT**. Refer to the system memory map in *the MEGA65 Book*, System Memory Map (Appendix F) for more information.

**Remarks:** A value > 127 selects memory mapped I/O. The default value for the bank number is 128. This configuration has RAM from \$0000 to \$1FFF, the BASIC and KERNAL ROM, and I/O from \$2000 to \$FFFF.

**Example:** Using **BANK**

```
BANK 1 :REM SELECT MEMORY CONFIGURATION 1
```

# BEGIN

**Token:** \$FE \$18

**Format:** **BEGIN ... BEND**

**Usage:** **BEGIN** and **BEND** act as a pair of braces around a compound statement to be executed after **THEN** or **ELSE**. This overcomes the single line limitation of the standard **IF ... THEN ... ELSE** clause.

**Remarks:** Do not jump with **GOTO** or **GOSUB** into a compound statement, as it may lead to unexpected results.

**Example:** Using **BEGIN** and **BEND**

```
10 GET A$
20 IF A$="A" AND A$<="Z" THEN BEGIN
30 PWS=PWS+A$
40 IF LEN(PWS)>7 THEN 90
50 BEND :REM IGNORE ALL EXCEPT (A-Z)
60 IF A$<>CHR$(13) GOTO 10
90 PRINT "PW=";PWS
```

# BEND

**Token:** \$FE \$19

**Format:** **BEGIN ... BEND**

**Usage:** **BEGIN** and **BEND** act as a pair of braces around a compound statement to be executed after **THEN** or **ELSE**. This overcomes the single line limitation of the standard **IF ... THEN ... ELSE** clause.

**Remarks:** The example below shows a quirk in the implementation of the compound statement. If the condition evaluates to **FALSE**, execution does not resume right after **BEND** as it should, but at the beginning of the next line. Test this behaviour with the following program:

**Example:** Using **BEGIN** and **BEND**

```
10 IF Z > 1 THEN BEGIN:A$="ONE"  
20 B$="TWO"  
30 PRINT A$;" ";B$;BEND:PRINT " QUIRK"  
40 REM EXECUTION RESUMES HERE FOR Z <= 1
```

# BLOAD

**Token:** \$FE \$11

**Format:** **BLOAD** filename [,**B** bank] [,**P** address] [,**R**] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** "Binary **LOAD**" loads a file of type **PRG** into RAM at address P.

**BLOAD** has two modes: The flat memory address mode can be used to load a program to any address in the 28-bit (256MB) address range where RAM is installed. This includes the standard RAM banks 0 to 5, as well as the 8MB of "attic RAM" at address \$8000000.

This mode is triggered by specifying an address at parameter P that is larger than \$FFFF. The bank parameter is ignored in this mode.

For compatibility reasons with older BASIC versions, **BLOAD** accepts the syntax with a 16-bit address at P and a bank number at B as well. The attic RAM is out of range for this compatibility mode.

The optional parameter **R** (RAW MODE) does not interpret or use the first two bytes of the program file as the load address, which is otherwise the default behaviour. In RAW MODE every byte is read as data.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**bank** specifies the RAM bank to be used. If not specified, the current bank, as set with the last **BANK** statement will be used.

**address** can be used to override the load address that is stored in the first two bytes of the **PRG** file.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **BLOAD** cannot cross bank boundaries.

**BLOAD** uses the load address from the file, if no P parameter is given.

**Examples:** Using **BLOAD**

```
BLOAD "ML DATA", B0, U9  
BLOAD "SPRITES"  
BLOAD "ML ROUTINES", B1, P32768  
BLOAD (FIS), B(BA%), P(PA), U(UN%)  
BLOAD "CHUNK", P($8000000) :REM LOAD TO ATTIC RAM
```

# BOOT

**Token:** \$FE \$1B

**Format:** **BOOT** filename [,**B** bank] [,**P** address] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]  
**BOOT SYS**  
**BOOT**

**Usage:** **BOOT filename** loads a file of type **PRG** into RAM at address P and bank B, and starts executing the code at the load address.

**BOOT SYS** loads the boot sector from sector 0, track 1 and unit 8 to address \$0400 in bank 0, and performs a **JSR \$0400** afterwards (Jump To Subroutine).

**BOOT** with no parameters attempts to load and execute a file named AUTOBOOT.C65 from the default unit 8. It's short for **RUN "AUTO-BOOT.C65"**.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**bank** specifies the RAM bank to be used. If not specified, the current bank, as set with the last **BANK** statement, will be used.

**address** can be used to override the load address, that is stored in the first two bytes of the **PRG** file.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **BOOT SYS** copies the contents of one physical sector (two logical sectors) = 512 bytes from disk to RAM, filling RAM from \$0400 to \$05FF.

**Examples:** Using **BOOT**

```
BOOT SYS  
BOOT (FI$), B(BA%), P(PA), U(UN%)  
BOOT
```

# BORDER

**Token:** \$FE \$3C

**Format:** **BORDER** colour

**Usage:** Sets the border colour of the screen to the argument, which must be in the range of 0 to 255. All colours within this range are customisable via the **PALETTE** command. On startup, the MEGA65 only has the first 32 colours configured, which are described in the table under **BACKGROUND** on page 23.

**Example:** Using **BORDER**

```
10 BORDER 4 : REM SELECT BORDER COLOUR PURPLE
```

# BOX

**Token:** \$E 1

**Format:** **BOX** x0,y0, x2,y2 [, solid]  
**BOX** x0,y0, x1,y1, x2,y2, x3,y3 [, solid]

**Usage:** The first form of **BOX** with two coordinate pairs and an optional **solid** parameter draws a simple rectangle, assuming that the coordinate pairs declare two diagonally opposite corners.

The second form with four coordinate pairs declares a path of four points, which will be connected with lines. The path is closed by connecting the last coordinate with the first.

The quadrangle is drawn using the current drawing context set with **SCREEN**, **PALETTE** and **PEN**. The quadrangle is filled if the parameter **solid** is not 0.

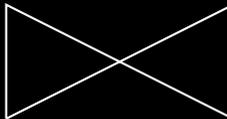
**Remarks:** **BOX** can be used with four coordinate pairs to draw any shape that can be defined with four points, not only rectangles. For example rhomboids, kites, trapezoids and parallelograms. It is also possible to draw bow tie shapes.

**Examples:** Using **BOX**

```
BOX 0,0, 160,0, 160,80, 0,80
```



```
BOX 0,0, 160,80, 160,0, 0,80
```



BOX 20,0, 140,0, 160,80, 0,80



# BSAVE

**Token:** \$FE \$10

**Format:** **BSAVE** filename, **P** start **TO P** end [,**B** bank] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** "Binary SAVE" saves a memory range to a file of type **PRG**.

**BSAVE** has two modes: The flat memory address mode can be used to save a memory block in the 28-bit (256MB) address range where RAM is installed. This includes the standard RAM banks 0 to 5, as well as the 8MB of "attic RAM" at address \$8000000.

This mode is triggered by specifying addresses for the start and end parameter **P**, that are larger than \$FFFF. The bank parameter is ignored in this mode. This flat memory mode allows saving ranges greater than 64K.

For compatibility reasons with older BASIC versions, **BSAVE** accepts the syntax with 16-bit addresses at **P** and a bank number at **B** as well. The attic RAM is out of range for this compatibility mode. This mode cannot cross bank boundaries, so start and end address must be in the same bank.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$). If the first character of the filename is an at sign '@', it is interpreted as a "save and replace" operation. It is not recommended to use this option on 1541 and 1571 drives, as they contain a "save and replace bug" in their DOS.

**start** is the first address, where the saving begins. It also becomes the load address, which is stored in the first two bytes of the **PRG** file.

**end** address where the saving ends. **end-1** is the last address to be used for saving.

**bank** specifies the RAM bank to be used. If not specified, the current bank, as set with the last **BANK** statement, will be used.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** The length of the file is **end - start + 2**.  
If the number after an argument letter is not a decimal number, it must be set in parenthesis, as shown in the third and fourth line of the examples.

The **PRG** file format that is used by **BSAVE** requires the load address to be written to the first two bytes. If the saving is done with a bank number that is not zero, or a start address greater than \$FFFF, this information will not fit. For compatibility reasons, only the the two low order bytes are written. Loading the file with the **BLOAD** command will then require the full 16-bit range of the load address as a parameter.

**Examples:** Using **BSAVE**

```
BSAVE "ML DATA", P 32768 TO P 33792, B0, U9  
BSAVE "SPRITES", P 1536 TO P 2058  
BSAVE "ML ROUTINES", B1, P($9000) TO P($A000)  
BSAVE (FI$), B(BA%), P(PA) TO P(PE), U(CUN%)
```

# BUMP

**Token:** \$CE \$03

**Format:** **BUMP**(type)

**Usage:** Used to detect sprite-sprite (type=1) or sprite-data (type=2) collisions. The return value is an 8-bit mask with one bit per sprite. The bit position corresponds to the sprite number. Each bit set in the returned value indicates that the sprite for its position was involved in a collision since the last call of **BUMP**. Calling **BUMP** resets the collision mask, so you will always get a summary of collisions encountered since the last call of **BUMP**.

**Remarks:** It's possible to detect multiple collisions, but you will need to evaluate the sprite coordinates to detect which sprites have collided.

**Example:** Using **BUMP**

```
10 S% = BUMP(1) : REM SPRITE-SPRITE COLLISION
20 IF (S% AND 6) = 6 THEN PRINT "SPRITE 1 & 2 COLLISION"
30 REM ---
40 S% = BUMP(2) : REM SPRITE-DATA COLLISION
50 IF (S% <> 0) THEN PRINT "SOME SPRITE HIT DATA REGION"
```

Sprite	Return	Mask
0	1	0000 0001
1	2	0000 0010
2	4	0000 0100
3	8	0000 1000
4	16	0001 0000
5	32	0010 0000
6	64	0100 0000
7	128	1000 0000

# BVERIFY

**Token:** \$FE \$28

**Format:** **BVERIFY** filename [,**P** address] [,**B** bank] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** "Binary VERIFY" compares a memory range to a file of type **PRG**.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**bank** specifies the RAM bank to be used. If not specified, the current bank, as set with the last **BANK** statement, will be used.

**address** is the address where the comparison begins. If the parameter P is omitted, it is the load address that is stored in the first two bytes of the **PRG** file that will be used.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **BVERIFY** can only test for equality. It gives no information about the number, or position of different valued bytes. In direct mode **BVERIFY** exits either with the message **OK** or with **VERIFY ERROR**. In program mode, a **VERIFY ERROR** either stops execution or enters the **TRAP** error handler, if active.

**Examples:** Using **BVERIFY**

```
BVERIFY "ML DATA", P 32768, B0, U9
BVERIFY "SPRITES", P 1536
BVERIFY "ML ROUTINES", B1, P(DEC("9000"))
BVERIFY (FI$), B(BA%), P(PA), U(UN%)
```

# CATALOG

**Token:** \$FE \$0C

**Format:** **CATALOG** [filepattern] [,**W**] [,**R**] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]  
\$ [filepattern] [,**W**] [,**R**] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Prints a file catalog/directory of the specified disk.

The **W** (Wide) parameter lists the directory three columns wide on the screen and pauses after the screen has been filled with a page (63 directory entries). Pressing any key displays the next page.

The **R** (Recoverable) parameter includes files in the directory which are flagged as deleted but still recoverable.

**filepattern** is either a quoted string, for example: "DA\*" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (DI\$)

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **CATALOG** is a synonym of **DIRECTORY** and **DIR**, and produces the same listing. The **filepattern** can be used to filter the listing. The wildcard characters \* and ? may be used. Adding ,**T=** to the pattern string, with **T** specifying a filetype of **P**, **S**, **U** or **R** (for **PRG**, **SEQ**, **USR**, **REL**) filters the output to that filetype.

The shortcut symbol \$ can only be used in direct mode.

**Examples:** Using **CATALOG**

```
CATALOG
0 "BLACK SMURF" " BS 2A
508 "STORY PHOBOS" SEQ
27 "C8096" PRG
25 "C128" PRG
104 BLOCKS FREE.
```

```

CATALOG *,T=S"
0 "BLACK SMURF " BS 2A
508 "STORY PHOBOS" SEQ
104 BLOCKS FREE.

```

Below is an example showing how a directory looks with the **w**ide parameter:

```

DIR W
0 "BASIC EXAMPLES "
1 "BEGIN" P 1 "FREAD" P 2 "PAINT.COR" P
1 "BEND" P 1 "FRE" P 3 "PALETTE.COR" P
1 "BUMP" P 2 "GET#" P 1 "PEEK" P
1 "CHAR" P 1 "GETKEY" P 3 "PEN" P
1 "CHR$" P 1 "GET" P 1 "PLAY" P
4 "CIRCLE" P 2 "GOSUB" P 2 "POINTER" P
1 "CLOSE" P 2 "GOTO.COR" P 1 "POKE" P
1 "CLR" P 2 "GRAPHIC" P 1 "POS" P
2 "COLLISION" P 1 "HELP" P 1 "POT" P
1 "CURSOR" P 1 "IF" P 1 "PRINT#" P
0 "DATA BASE" R 2 "INPUT#" P 1 "PRINT" P
1 "DATA" P 2 "INPUT" P 1 "RCOLOR.COR" P
1 "DEF FN" P 2 "JOY" P 1 "READ" P
1 "DIM" P 1 "LINE INPUT#" P 1 "RECORD" P
1 "DO" P 3 "LINE" P 1 "REM" P
5 "ELLIPSE" P 1 "LOOP" P 1 "RESTORE" P
1 "ELSE" P 1 "MID$" P 1 "RESUME" P
1 "EL" P 1 "MOD" P 1 "RETURN" P
1 "ENVELOPE" P 1 "MOVSPR" P 1 "REVERS" S
2 "EXIT" P 1 "NEXT" P 3 "RGRAPHIC" P
1 "FOR" P 2 "ON" P 1 "RMOUSE" P

```

# CHANGE

**Token:** \$FE \$2C

**Format:** **CHANGE** /findstring/ **TO** /replacestring/ [, line range]  
**CHANGE** "findstring" **TO** "replacestring" [, line range]

**Usage:** **CHANGE** performs a **find and replace** of the BASIC program that is currently in memory. An optional **line range** limits the search to this range, otherwise the entire BASIC program is searched. At each occurrence of the **findstring**, the line is listed and the user is prompted for an action:

- **Y** **RETURN** perform the replace and find the next string
- **N** **RETURN** do **not** perform the replace and find the next string
- **\*** **RETURN** replace the current and all following matches
- **RETURN** exit the command, and don't replace the current match

**Remarks:** Any un-shifted character that is not part of the string can be used instead of **/**.

However, using the double quote character finds text strings that are not tokenised, and therefore not part of a keyword.

For example, **CHANGE "LOOP" TO "OOPS"** will not find the BASIC keyword **LOOP**, because the keyword is stored as a token and not as text. However **CHANGE /LOOP/ TO /OOPS/** will find and replace it (possibly causing **SYNTAX ERRORS**).

Can only be used in direct mode.

**Examples:** Using **CHANGE**

```
CHANGE "XX$" TO "UUS", 2000-2700
CHANGE /IN/ TO /OUT/
CHANGE &IN& TO &OUT&
```

# CHAR

**Token:** \$E0

**Format:** **CHAR** column, row, height, width, direction, string [, address of character set]

**Usage:** Displays text on a graphic screen. It can be used in all resolutions.

**column** (in units of character positions) is the start position of the output horizontally. As each column unit is 8 pixels wide, a screen width of 320 has a column range of 0-39, while a screen width of 640 has a column range of 0-79.

**row** (in pixel units) is the start position of the output vertically. In contrast to the column parameter, its unit is in pixels (not character positions), with the top row having the value of 0.

**height** is a factor applied to the vertical size of the characters, where 1 is normal size (8 pixels), 2 is double size (16 pixels), and so on.

**width** is a factor applied to the horizontal size of the characters, where 1 is normal size (8 pixels) 2 is double size (16 pixels), and so on.

**direction** controls the printing direction:

- **1** up
- **2** right
- **4** down
- **8** left

The optional **address of character set** can be used to select a character set, different to the default character set at \$29800, which includes upper and lower case characters.

Three character sets (see also **FONT**) are available:

- **\$29000** Font A (ASCII)
- **\$3D000** Font B (Bold)
- **\$2D000** Font C (CBM)

The first part of the font (upper case / graphics) is stored at \$xx000 - \$xx7FF.

The second part of the font (lower case / upper case) is stored at \$xx800 - \$xxFFF.

**string** is a string constant or expression which will be printed. This string may optionally contain one or more of the following control characters:

Expression	Keyboard Shortcut	Description
CHR\$(2)	CTRL+B	Blank Cell
CHR\$(6)	CTRL+F	Flip Character
CHR\$(9)	CTRL+I	AND With Screen
CHR\$(15)	CTRL+O	OR With Screen
CHR\$(24)	CTRL+X	XOR With Screen
CHR\$(18)	RVSON	Reverse
CHR\$(146)	RVSOFF	Reverse Off
CHR\$(147)	CLR	Clear Viewport
CHR\$(21)	CTRL+U	Underline
CHR\$(25)+"-"	CTRL+Y + "-"	Rotate Left
CHR\$(25)+"+"	CTRL+Y + "+"	Rotate Right
CHR\$(26)	CTRL+Z	Mirror
CHR\$(157)	Cursor Left	Move Left
CHR\$(29)	Cursor Right	Move Right
CHR\$(145)	Cursor Up	Move Up
CHR\$(17)	Cursor Down	Move Down

Notice that the start position of the string has different units in the horizontal and vertical directions. Horizontal is in columns and vertical is in pixels.

Refer to the **CHR\$** function on page 45 for more information.

**Example:** Using **CHAR**

```
10 SCREEN 640,400,2
20 CHAR 28,180,4,4,2,"MEGA65",29000
30 GETKEY A$
40 SCREEN CLOSE
```

Will print the text "MEGA65" at the centre of a 640 x 400 graphic screen.

# CHDIR

**Token:** \$FE \$4B

**Format:** **CHDIR** dirname [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Change to a subdirectory or a parent directory.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

Dependent on the **unit**, **CHDIR** is applied to different filesystems.

**UNIT 12** is reserved for the SD-Card (FAT filesystem). There this command can be used to navigate to subdirectories and mount disk images, that are stored there. **CHDIR "..",U12** changes to the parent directory on **UNIT 12**.

For units, that are managed by CBDOS (typically 8 and 9), **CHDIR** is used to change into or out of subdirectories on floppy or disk image of type **D81**. Existing subdirectories are displayed as filetype **CBM** in the parent directory, they are created with the command **MKDIR**. **CHDIR "/" ,U unit** changes to the root directory.

**Examples:** Using **CHDIR**

```
CHDIR "ADVENTURES",U12 :REM ENTER ADVENTURES ON SD CARD
CHDIR ".",U12          :REM GO BACK TO PARENT DIRECTORY
CHDIR "RACING",U12     :REM ENTER SUBDIRECTORY RACING
0 "MEGAB5" " ID
800 "MEGAB5 GAMES" CBM
800 "MEGAB5 TOOLS"  CBM
600 "BASIC PROGRAMS" CBM
960 BLOCKS FREE.

CHDIR "MEGAB5 GAMES",U8 :REM ENTER SUBDIRECTORY ON FLOPPY DISK
CHDIR "/" ,U8          :REM GO BACK TO ROOT DIRECTORY
```

# CHARDEF

**Token:** \$E0 \$96

**Format:** **CHARDEF** index, bit-matrix

**Usage:** Change the bitmap matrix of characters

**index** is the character number in display code, (@:0, A:1, B:2, ...)

**bit-matrix** is a set of 8 byte values, which define the raster representation for the character from top row to bottom row. If more than 8 values are used as arguments, the values 9-16 are used for the character index+1, 17-24 for index+2, etc.

**Remarks:** The character bitmap changes are applied to the VIC character generator, which resides in RAM at the address \$FF7E000.

All changes are volatile and the VIC character set can be restored by a reset or by using the **FONT** command.

**Examples:** Using **CHARDEF**

```
CHARDEF 1,$FF,$81,$81,$81,$81,$81,$81,$81,$FF :REM CHANGE 'A' TO RECTANGLE  
CHARDEF 9,$18,$18,$18,$18,$18,$18,$18,$00 :REM MAKE 'I' SANS SERIF
```

# CHR\$

**Token:** \$C1

**Format:** CHR\$(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns a string containing one character, whose PETSCII value is equal to the argument.

**Remarks:** The argument range is from 0 - 255, so this function may also be used to insert control codes into strings. Even the NULL character, with code 0, is allowed.

**CHR\$** is the inverse function to **ASC**. The complete table of characters (and their PETSCII codes) is on page 271.

**Example:** Using **CHR\$**

```
10 QUOTE$ = CHR$(34)
20 ESCAPE$ = CHR$(27)
30 PRINT QUOTE$;"MEGAB$";QUOTE$ : REM PRINT "MEGAB$"
40 PRINT ESCAPE$;"Q"; : REM CLEAR TO END OF LINE
```

# CIRCLE

**Token:** \$E2

**Format:** **CIRCLE** xc, yc, radius [, flags , start, stop]

**Usage:** A special case of **ELLIPSE**, using the same value for horizontal and vertical radius.

**xc** is the x coordinate of the centre in pixels

**yc** is the y coordinate of the centre in pixels

**radius** is the radius of the circle in pixels

**flags** control filling, arcs and the position of the 0 degree angle. Default setting (zero) is don't fill, draw legs and the 0 degree radian points to 3 o' clock.

Bit	Name	Value	Action if set
0	fill	1	Fill circle or arc with the current pen colour
1	legs	2	Suppress drawing of the legs of an arc
2	combs	4	Let the zero radian point to 12 o' clock

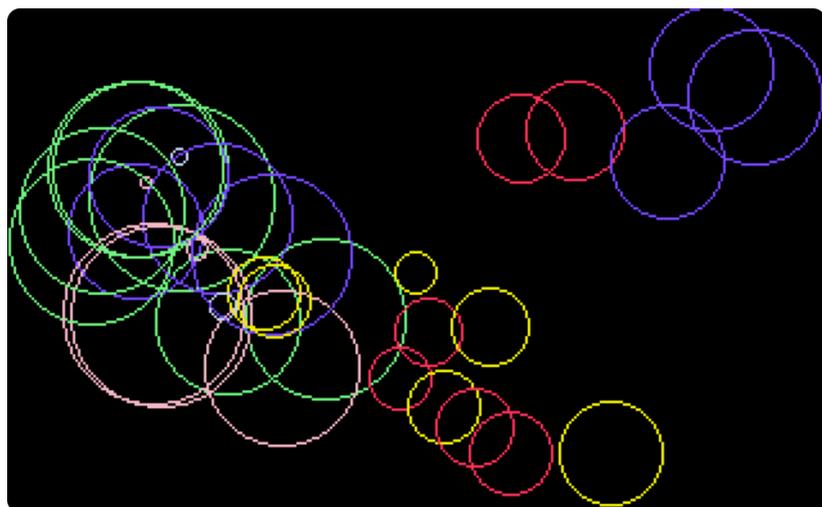
The units for the start- and stop-angle are degrees in the range of 0 to 360. The 0 radian starts at 3 o' clock and moves clockwise. Setting bit 2 of flags (value 4) moves the zero-radian to the 12 o' clock position.

**start** start angle for drawing an arc.

**stop** stop angle for drawing an arc.

**Remarks:** **CIRCLE** is used to draw circles on screens with an aspect ratio of 1:1 (for example: 320 x 200 or 640 x 400). Whilst using other resolutions (such as 640 x 200), the shape will be an ellipse instead.

The example program uses the random number function **RND** for circle colour, size and position. So it shows a different picture for each run.



## Example: Using CIRCLE

```
100 REM CIRCLE (AFTER F.BOWEN)
110 BORDER 0 :REM BLACK
120 SCREEN 320,200,4 :REM SIMPLE SCREEN SETUP
130 PALETTE 0,0,0,0,0 :REM BLACK
140 PALETTE 0,1,RND(.*16,RND(.*16),15 :REM RANDOM COLOURS
150 PALETTE 0,2,RND(.*16,15,RND(.*16)
160 PALETTE 0,3,15,RND(.*16,RND(.*16)
170 PALETTE 0,4,RND(.*16,RND(.*16),15
180 PALETTE 0,5,RND(.*16,15,RND(.*16)
190 PALETTE 0,6,15,RND(.*16,RND(.*16)
200 SCNCLR 0 :REM CLEAR
210 FORI=0TO32 :REM CIRCLE LOOP
220 PEN 0,RND(.*6+1 :REM RANDOM PEN
230 R=RND(.*36+1 :REM RADIUS
240 XC=R+RND(.*320:IF(XC+R)>319THEN240:REM X CENTRE
250 YC=R+RND(.*200:IF(YC+R)>199THEN250:REM Y CENTRE
260 XC=XC+WT*320:YC=YC+HT*200
270 CIRCLE XC,YC,R, :REM DRAW
280 NEXT
290 GETKEY A$ :REM WAIT FOR KEY
300 SCREEN CLOSE: BORDER 6
```

# CLOSE

**Token:** \$A0

**Format:** **CLOSE** channel

**Usage:** Closes an input or output channel.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call of commands such as **APPEND**, **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

**Remarks:** Closing files that have previously been opened before a program has completed is very important, especially for output files. **CLOSE** flushes output buffers and updates the directory information on disks. Failing to **CLOSE** can corrupt files and disks. BASIC does NOT automatically close channels nor files when a program stops.

**Example:** Using **CLOSE**

```
10 OPEN 2,8,2,"TEST,S,W"  
20 PRINT#2,"TESTSTRING"  
30 CLOSE 2 : REM OMITTING CLOSE GENERATES A SPLAT FILE
```

# CLR

**Token:** \$9C

**Format:** CLR  
CLR variable

**Usage:** Used for management of BASIC variables, arrays and strings. The run-time stack pointers, and the table of open channels is reset. After executing **CLR** all variables and arrays will be undeclared. **RUN** performs **CLR** automatically.

**CLR variable** clears (zeroes) the variable. **variable** can be a numeric variable or a string variable, but not an array.

**Remarks:** **CLR** should not be used inside loops or subroutines, as it destroys the return address. After **CLR**, all variables are unknown and will be initialised when they are next used.

**Example:** Using **CLR**

```
10 A=5: P$="MEGAB5"  
20 CLR  
30 PRINT A;P$  
RUN  
  
0
```

# CLRBIT

**Token:** \$9C \$FE \$4E

**Format:** CLRBIT address, bit number

**Usage:** Clears (resets) a single bit at the **address**.

If the address is in the range of \$0000 to \$FFFF (0-65535), the memory bank set by **BANK** is used.

Addresses greater than or equal to \$10000 (decimal 65536) are assumed to be flat memory addresses and used as such, ignoring the **BANK** setting.

The **bit number** is a value in the range of 0-7.

A bank value > 127 is used to access I/O, and the underlying system hardware such as the VIC, SID, FDC, etc.

**Example:** Using CLRBIT

```
10 BANK 128      :REM SELECT SYSTEM MAPPING
20 CLRBIT $D011,4 :REM DISABLE DISPLAY
30 CLRBIT $D016,3 :REM SWITCH TO 38 OR 76 COLUMN MODE
```

# CMD

**Token:** \$9D

**Format:** **CMD** channel [, string]

**Usage:** Redirects the standard output from screen to a channel. This enables you to print listings and directories to other output channels. It is also possible to redirect this output to a disk file, or a modem.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call of commands such as **APPEND**, **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

The optional **string** is sent to the channel before the redirection begins and can be used, for example, for printer or modem setup escape sequences.

**Remarks:** The **CMD** mode is stopped with **PRINT#**, or by closing the channel with **CLOSE**. It is recommended to use **PRINT#** before closing to make sure that the output buffer has been flushed.

**Example:** Using **CMD** to print a program listing:

```
OPEN 1,4 :REM OPEN CHANNEL #1 TO PRINTER AT UNIT 4
CMD 1
LIST
PRINT#1
CLOSE 1
```

# COLLECT

**Token:** \$F3

**Format:** **COLLECT** [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Rebuilds the **BAM** (Block Availability Map) of a disk, deleting splat files (files which have been opened, but not properly closed) and marking unused blocks as free.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** While this command is useful for cleaning a disk from splat files, it is dangerous for disks with boot blocks or random access files. These blocks are not associated with standard disk files and will therefore be marked as free and may be overwritten by further disk write operations.

**Examples:** Using **COLLECT**

```
COLLECT
COLLECT U9
COLLECT D0, U9
```

# COLLISION

**Token:** \$FE \$17

**Format:** **COLLISION** type [, line number]

**Usage:** Enables or disables a user-programmed interrupt handler. A call without the line number argument disables the handler, while a call with line number enables it. After the execution of **COLLISION** with line number, a sprite collision of the same type, (as specified in the **COLLISION** call) interrupts the BASIC program and performs a **GOSUB to line number**, which is expected to contain the user code for handling sprite collisions. This handler must give control back with **RETURN**.

**type** specifies the collision type for this interrupt handler:

Type	Description
1	Sprite - Sprite Collision
2	Sprite - Data - Collision
3	Light Pen

**linenumber** must point to a subroutine which has code for handling sprite collision and ends with **RETURN**.

**Remarks:** It is possible to enable the interrupt handler for all types, but only one can execute at any time. An interrupt handler cannot be interrupted by another interrupt handler. Functions such as **BUMP**, **LPEN** and **RSPPOS** may be used for evaluation of the sprites which are involved, and their positions.

**Info:** **COLLISION** wasn't completed in BASIC 10, and a working implementation will be available in a future BASIC 65 update.

**Example:** Using **COLLISION**

```
10 COLLISION 1,70 : REM ENABLE
20 SPRITE 1,1 : MOVSPR 1,120, 0 : MOVSPR 1,0H5
30 SPRITE 2,1 : MOVSPR 2,120,100 : MOVSPR 2,180H5
40 FOR I=1 TO 50000:NEXT
50 COLLISION 1 : REM DISABLE
60 END
70 REM SPRITE (-) SPRITE INTERRUPT HANDLER
80 PRINT "BUMP RETURNS";BUMP(1)
90 RETURN: REM RETURN FROM INTERRUPT
```

# COLOR

**Token:** \$E7

**Format:** **COLOR** colour-index

**Usage:** The command works in the same way as **FOREGROUND**, i.e: sets the foreground colour (text colour) of the screen to the colour argument, which must be in the range of 0 to 31. Refer to the table under **BACKGROUND** on page 23 for the colour values and their corresponding colours.

**Example:** Using **COLOR**

```
10 COLOR ON : COLOR 2 : PRINT "COLOR ON AND RED"
20 COLOR OFF : COLOR 2 : PRINT "COLOR OFF (CAN'T CHANGE COLOUR)"
30 COLOR ON : COLOR 3 : PRINT "COLOR ON AND CYAN"

READY.

RUN
COLOR ON AND RED
COLOR OFF (CAN'T CHANGE COLOUR)
COLOR ON AND CYAN
```

# CONCAT

**Token:** \$FE \$13

**Format:** **CONCAT** appendfile [,D drive] **TO** targetfile [,D drive] [,U unit]

**Usage:** **CONCAT** (concatenation) appends the contents of **appendfile** to the **targetfile**. Afterwards, **targetfile** contains the contents of both files, while **appendfile** remains unchanged.

**appendfile** is either a quoted string, for example: "DATA" or a string expression in brackets, for example: {F1\$}

**targetfile** is either a quoted string, for example: "SAFE" or a string expression in brackets, for example: {F\$}

If the disk unit has dual drives, it is possible to apply **CONCAT** to files which are stored on different disks. In this case, it is necessary to specify the drive# for both files. This is also necessary if both files are stored on drive#1.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **CONCAT** is executed in the DOS of the disk drive. Both files must exist and no pattern matching is allowed. Only files of type **SEQ** may be concatenated.

**Examples:** Using **CONCAT**

```
CONCAT "NEW DATA" TO "ARCHIVE" ,U9  
CONCAT "ADDRESS",D0 TO "ADDRESS BOOK",D1
```

# CONT

**Token:** \$9A

**Format:** **CONT**

**Usage:** Used to resume program execution after a break or stop caused by an **END** or **STOP** statement, or by pressing . This is a useful debugging tool. The BASIC program may be stopped and variables can be examined, and even changed. The **CONT** statement resumes execution.

**Remarks:** **CONT** cannot be used if a program has stopped because of an error. Also, any editing of a program inhibits continuation. Stopping and continuation can spoil the screen output, and can also interfere with input/output operations.

**Example:** Using **CONT**

```
10 I=1+1:GOTO 10
RUN

BREAK IN 10
READY.
PRINT I
947
CONT
```

# COPY

**Token:** \$F4

**Format:** **COPY** source [,D drive] [,U unit] **TO** [target] [,D drive] [,U unit]

**Usage:** Copies the contents of **source** to **target**. It is used to copy either single files or, by using wildcard characters, multiple files.

**source** is either a quoted string, e.g. "DATA" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (F1\$).

**target** is either a quoted string, e.g. "BACKUP" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (F5\$)

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

If none or one unit number is given, or the unit numbers before and after the **TO** token are equal, **COPY** is executed on the disk drive itself, and the source and target files will be on the same disk.

If the source unit (before **TO**) is different to the target unit (after **TO**), **COPY** is executed in MEGA65 BASIC by reading the source files into a RAM buffer and writing to the target unit. In this case, the target file name cannot be chosen, it will be the same as the source filename. The extended unit-to-unit copy mode allows the copying of single files, pattern matching files or all files of a disk. Any combination of units is allowed, internal floppy, D81 disk images, IEC floppy drives such as the 1541, 1571, 1581, or CMD floppy and hard drives.

**Remarks:** The file types **PRG**, **SEQ** and **USR** can be copied. If source and target are on the same disk, the target filename must be different from the source file name.

**COPY** cannot copy **DEL** files, which are commonly used as titles or separators in disk directories. These do not conform to Commodore DOS rules and cannot be accessed by standard **OPEN** routines.

**REL** files cannot be copied from unit to unit.

**Examples:** Using **COPY**

```
COPY U8 TO U9 :REM COPY ALL FILES
COPY "CODES" TO "BACKUP" :REM COPY SINGLE FILE
COPY "*.TXT",U8 TO U9 :REM PATTERN COPY
COPY "M*",U9 TO U11 :REM PATTERN COPY
```

# COS

**Token:** \$BE

**Format:** **COS**(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns the cosine of the argument. The argument is expected in units of radians. The result is in the range (-1.0 to +1.0)

**Remarks:** An argument in units of **degrees** can be converted to **radians** by multiplying it with  $\pi/180$ .

**Examples:** Using **COS**

```
PRINT COS(0.7)
0.76484219

X=60:PRINT COS(X *  $\pi$  / 180)
0.5
```

# CURSOR

**Format:**     **CURSOR** <**ON** | **OFF**> [{, column, row, style}]  
              **CURSOR** {column, row, style}

**Usage:**       Moves the text cursor to the specified position on the current text screen.

**ON** or **OFF** displays or hides the cursor.

**column** and **row** specify the new position.

**style** defines a solid (1) or flashing (0) cursor.

**Example:**    Using **CURSOR**

```
10  SCNCLR
20  CURSOR ON,1,2,1      :REM DISPLAY A SOLID CURSOR AT COLUMN 1, ROW 2
30  PRINT "A"; : SLEEP 1
40  CURSOR ,,0          :REM CHANGE TO A FLASHING CURSOR
50  PRINT "B"; : SLEEP 1
60  CURSOR OFF         :REM HIDE THE CURSOR
70  PRINT "C"; : SLEEP 1
80  CURSOR 20,10       :REM MOVE THE CURSOR TO COLUMN 20, ROW 10
90  PRINT "D"; : SLEEP 1
100 CURSOR ,50         :REM MOVE THE CURSOR TO ROW 5 BUT DO NOT CHANGE THE COLUMN
110 PRINT "E"; : SLEEP 1
100 CURSOR 0          :REM MOVE THE CURSOR TO THE START OF THE ROW
110 PRINT "F"; : SLEEP 1
```

# CUT

**Token:** \$E4

**Format:** CUT x, y, width, height

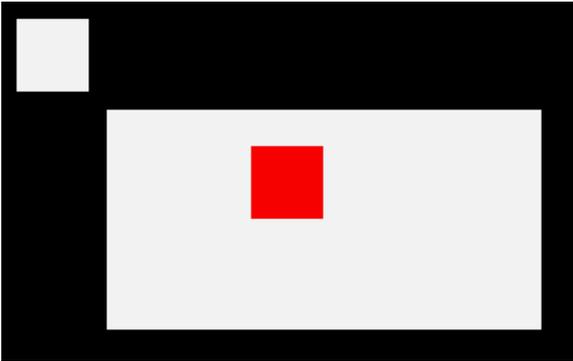
**Usage:** CUT is used on graphic screens and copies the content of the specified rectangle with upper left position **x, y** and the **width** and **height** to a buffer and fills the region afterwards with the colour of the currently selected pen.

The cut out can be inserted at any position with the command **PASTE**.

**Remarks:** The size of the rectangle is limited by the 1K size of the cut/copy/paste buffer. The memory requirement for a cut out region is width \* height \* number of bitplanes / 8. It must not equal or exceed 1024 byte. For a 4-bitplane screen for example, a 45 x 45 region needs 1012.5 byte.

**Example:** Using CUT

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,2
20 BOX 60,60,300,180,1 :REM DRAW A WHITE BOX
30 PEN 2 :REM SELECT RED PEN
40 CUT 140,80,40,40 :REM CUT OUT A 40 * 40 REGION
50 PASTE 10,10,40,40 :REM PASTE IT TO NEW POSITION
60 GETKEY AS :REM WAIT FOR KEYPRESS
70 SCREEN CLOSE
```



# DATA

**Token:** \$83

**Format:** **DATA** [constant [, constant ...]]

**Usage:** Used to define constants which can be read by **READ** statements in a program. Numbers and strings are allowed, but expressions are not. Items are separated by commas. Strings containing commas, colons or spaces must be placed in quotes.

**RUN** initialises the data pointer to the first item of the first **DATA** statement and advances it for every read item. It is the programmer's responsibility that the type of the constant and the variable in the **READ** statement match. Empty items with no constant between commas are allowed and will be interpreted as zero for numeric variables and an empty string for string variables.

**RESTORE** may be used to set the data pointer to a specific line for subsequent reads.

**Remarks:** It is good programming practice to put large amounts of **DATA** statements at the end of the program, so they don't slow down the search for line numbers after **GOTO**, and other statements with line number targets.

**Example:** Using **DATA**

```
1 REM DATA
10 READ NA$, VE
20 READ NX : FOR I=2 TO NX : READ GL(I) : NEXT I
30 PRINT "PROGRAM:";NA$;" VERSION:";VE
40 PRINT "N-POINT GAUSSLEGENDRE FACTORS E1":
50 FOR I=2 TO NX:PRINT I;GL(I):NEXT I
60 END
80 DATA "MEGAB5",1.1
90 DATA 5,0.5120,0.3573,0.2760,0.2252

RUN
PROGRAM:MEGAB5 VERSION: 1.1
N-POINT GAUSSLEGENDRE FACTORS E1
2 0.512
3 0.3573
4 0.276
5 0.2252
```

# DCLEAR

**Token:** \$FE \$15

**Format:** **DCLEAR** [,D drive] [,U unit]

**Usage:** Sends an initialise command to the specified unit and drive.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

The DOS of the disk drive will close all open files, clear all channels, free buffers and re-read the BAM. All open channels on the computer will also be closed.

**Examples:** Using **DCLEAR**

```
DCLEAR
DCLEAR U9
DCLEAR D0, U9
```

# DCLOSE

**Token:** \$FE \$OF

**Format:** **DCLOSE** [U unit]  
**DCLOSE** # channel

**Usage:** Closes a single file or all files for the specified unit.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **APPEND**, **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**DCLOSE** is used either with a channel argument or a unit number, but never both.

**Remarks:** It is important to close all open files before a program ends. Otherwise buffers will not be freed and even worse, open files that have been written to may be incomplete (commonly called splat files), and no longer usable.

**Examples:** Using **DCLOSE**

```
DCLOSE#2 :REM CLOSE FILE ASSIGNED TO CHANNEL 2
DCLOSE U9:REM CLOSE ALL FILES OPEN ON UNIT 9
```

# DEC

**Token:** \$D1

**Format:** DEC(string expression)

**Usage:** Returns the decimal value of the argument, that is written as a hex string. The argument range is "0000" to "FFFF" (0 to 65535 in decimal). The argument must have 1-4 hex digits.

**Remarks:** Allowed digits in uppercase/graphics mode are 0-9 and A-Z (0123456789ABCDEF) and in lowercase/uppercase mode are 0-9 and a-z (0123456789abcdef).

**Example:** Using DEC

```
PRINT DEC("D000")
53248
POKE DEC("600"),255
```

# DEF FN

**Token:** \$96

**Format:** **DEF FN** name(real variable) = [expression]

**Usage:** Defines a single statement user function with one argument of type real, returning a real value. The definition must be executed before the function can be used in expressions. The argument is a dummy variable, which will be replaced by the argument when the function is used.

**Remarks:** The value of the dummy variable will not change and the variable may be used in other contexts without side effects.

**Example:** Using **DEF FN**

```
10 PD = pi / 180
20 DEF FN CD(X)= COS(X*PD): REM COS FOR DEGREES
30 DEF FN SD(X)= SIN(X*PD): REM SIN FOR DEGREES
40 FOR D=0 TO 360 STEP 90
50 PRINT USING "####";D
60 PRINT USING "###.###";FNCD(D);
70 PRINT USING "###.###";FNSD(D)
80 NEXT D
RUN
 0 1.00 0.00
 90 0.00 1.00
180 -1.00 0.00
270 0.00 -1.00
360 1.00 0.00
```

# DELETE

**Token:** \$F7

**Format:** **DELETE** [line range]  
**DELETE** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit] [,**R**]

**Usage:** Used to either delete a range of lines from the BASIC program or to delete files from disk.

**line range** consists of the first and last line to delete, or a single line number. If the first number is omitted, the first BASIC line is assumed. The second number in the range specifier defaults to the last BASIC line.

**filename** is either a quoted string, for example: "SAFE" or a string expression in brackets, for example: (F\$\$)

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**R** Recover a previously deleted file. This will only work if there were no write operations between deletion and recovery, which may have altered the contents of the file.

**Remarks:** **DELETE filename** is a synonym of **SCRATCH filename** and **ERASE filename**.

**Examples:** Using **DELETE**

```
DELETE 100      :REM DELETE LINE 100
DELETE 240-350  :REM DELETE ALL LINES FROM 240 TO 350
DELETE 500-     :REM DELETE FROM 500 TO END
DELETE -70     :REM DELETE FROM START TO 70

DELETE "DRM",U9 :REM DELETE FILE DRM ON UNIT 9
DELETE "%=SEQ"  :REM DELETE ALL SEQUENTIAL FILES
DELETE "R*=PRG" :REM DELETE PROGRAM FILES STARTING WITH 'R'
```

# DIM

**Token:** \$86

**Format:** **DIM** name(limits) [, name(limits) ...]

**Usage:** Declares the shape, bounds and the type of a BASIC array. As a declaration statement, it must be executed only once and before any usage of the declared arrays. An array can have one or more dimensions. One dimensional arrays are often called vectors while two or more dimensions define a matrix. The lower bound of a dimension is always zero, while the upper bound is as declared. The rules for variable names apply for array names as well. You can create byte arrays, integer arrays, real arrays and string arrays. It is legal to use the same identifier for scalar variables and array variables. The left parenthesis after the name identifies array names.

**Remarks:** Byte arrays consume one byte per element, integer arrays two bytes, real arrays five bytes and string arrays three bytes for the string descriptor plus the length of the string itself.

If an array identifier is used without being previously declared, an implicit declaration of an one dimensional array with limit of 10 is performed.

**Example:** Using **DIM**

```
1 REM DIM
10 DIM A%(8) : REM ARRAY OF 9 ELEMENTS
20 DIM XX(2,3) : REM ARRAY OF 3X4 = 12 ELEMENTS
30 FOR I=0 TO 8 : A%(I)=PEEK(256+I) : PRINT A%(I);: NEXT:PRINT
40 FOR I=0 TO 2 : FOR J=0 TO 3 : READ XX(I,J):PRINT XX(I,J);: NEXT J,I
50 END
60 DATA 1,-2,3,-4,5,-6,7,-8,9,-10,11,-12

RUN
45 52 50 0 0 0 0 0 0
1 -2 3 -4 5 -6 7 -8 9 -10 11 -12
```

# DIR

**Token:** \$EE (DIR) \$FE \$29 (ECTORY)

**Format:** **DIR** [filepattern] [,W] [,R] [,D drive] [,U unit]  
**DIRECTORY** [filepattern] [,W] [,R] [,D drive] [,U unit]  
**\$** [filepattern] [,W] [,R] [,D drive] [,U unit]

**Usage:** Prints a file directory/catalog of the specified disk.

The **W** (Wide) parameter lists the directory three columns wide on the screen and pauses after the screen has been filled with a page (63 directory entries). Pressing any key displays the next page.

The **R** (Recoverable) parameter includes files in the directory, which are flagged as deleted but are still recoverable.

**filepattern** is either a quoted string, for example: "DA\*" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (DI\$)

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **DIR** is a synonym of **CATALOG** and **DIRECTORY**, and produces the same listing. The **filepattern** can be used to filter the listing. The wildcard characters **\*** and **?** may be used. Adding **T=** to the pattern string, with **T** specifying a filetype of **P**, **S**, **U** or **R** (for **PRG**, **SEQ**, **USR**, **REL**) filters the output to that filetype.

The shortcut symbol **\$** can only be used in direct mode.

**Examples:** Using **DIR**

```
DIR
0 "BLACK SMURF" " BS 2A
508 "STORY PHOBOS" SEQ
27 "C8096" PRG
25 "C128" PRG
104 BLOCKS FREE.
```

For a **DIR** listing with the **w**ide parameter, please refer to the example under **CATALOG** on page 39.

# DISK

**Token:** \$FE \$40

**Format:** **DISK** command [,U unit]  
ⓐ command [,U unit]

**Usage:** Sends a command string to the specified disk unit.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to 8.

**command** is a string expression.

**Remarks:** The command string is interpreted by the disk unit and must be compatible to the used DOS version. Read the disk drive manual for possible commands.

Using **DISK** with no parameters prints the disk status.

The shortcut key ⓐ can only be used in direct mode.

**Examples:** Using **DISK**

```
DISK "I0" :REM INITIALISE DISK IN DRIVE 0  
DISK "U0>9" :REM CHANGE UNIT# TO 9
```

# DLOAD

**Token:** \$F0

**Format:** **DLOAD** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]  
**DLOAD** "\$[pattern=type]" [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]  
**DLOAD** "\$\$[pattern=type]" [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** The first form loads a file of type **PRG** into memory reserved for BASIC programs.

The second form loads a directory into memory, which can then be viewed with **LIST** or **LISTP**. It is structured like a BASIC program, but file sizes are displayed instead of line numbers.

The third form is similar to the second one, but the files are numbered. This listing can be scrolled like a BASIC program with the keys **F9** or **F11**, edited, listed, saved or printed.

A filter can be applied by specifying a pattern or a pattern and a type. The asterisk matches the rest of the name, while the ? matches any single character. The type specifier can be a character of (P,S,U,R), that is Program, Sequential, User, or Relative file.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** The load address, which is stored in the first two bytes of the file is ignored. The program is loaded into BASIC memory. This enables loading of BASIC programs that were saved on other computers with different memory configurations. After loading, the program is re-linked and ready to be **RUN** or edited. It is possible to use **DLOAD** in a running program. This is called overlaying, or chaining. If you do this, then the newly loaded program replaces the current one, and the execution starts automatically on the first line of the new program. Variables, arrays and strings from the current run are preserved and can also be used by the newly loaded program.

Every **DLOAD** either program or directory, will replace contents (programs), that are currently in memory.

**Examples:** Using **DLOAD**

```
DLOAD "APOCALYPSE"  
DLOAD "MEGA TOOLS",U9  
DLOAD (FI$),U(UNX)  
  
DLOAD "$"      :REM LOAD WHOLE DIRECTORY - WITH FILE SIZES  
DLOAD "$$"     :REM LOAD WHOLE DIRECTORY - SCROLLABLE  
DLOAD "$$X*=P" :REM DIRECTOY WITH PRG FILES STARTING with 'X'
```

# DMA

**Token:** \$FE \$1F

**Format:** **DMA** command [, length, source address, source bank, target address, target bank [, sub]]

**Usage:** **DMA** ("Direct Memory Access") is obsolete, and has been replaced by **EDMA**.

**command** 0: copy, 1: mix, 2: swap, 3: fill

**length** number of bytes

**source address** 16-bit address of read area or fill byte

**source bank** bank number for source (ignored for fill mode)

**target** 16-bit address of write area

**target bank** bank number for target

**sub** sub command

**Remarks:** **DMA** has access to the lower 1MB address range organised in 16 banks of 64 K. To avoid this limitation, use **EDMA**, which has access to the full 256MB address range.

**Examples:** A sequence of **DMA** calls to demonstrate fast screen drawing operations

```
DMA 0, 80*25, 2048, 0, 0, 4 :REM SAVE SCREEN TO $00000 BANK 4
DMA 3, 80*25, 32, 0, 2048, 0 :REM FILL SCREEN WITH BLANKS
DMA 0, 80*25, 0, 4, 2048, 0 :REM RESTORE SCREEN FROM $00000 BANK 4
DMA 2, 80, 2048, 0, 2048+80, 0 :REM SWAP CONTENTS OF LINE 1 & 2 OF SCREEN
```

# DMODE

**Token:** \$FE \$35

**Format:** **DMODE** jam, complement, stencil, style, thick

**Usage:** "Display MODE" sets several parameters of the graphics context, which is used by drawing commands.

Mode	Values
jam	0 - 1
complement	0 - 1
stencil	0 - 1
style	0 - 3
thick	1 - 8

# DO

**Token:** \$EB

**Format:** **DO** ... **LOOP**  
**DO** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]  
... statements [**EXIT**]  
**LOOP** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]

**Usage:** **DO** and **LOOP** define the start of a BASIC loop. Using **DO** and **LOOP** alone without any modifiers creates an infinite loop, which can only be exited by the **EXIT** statement. The loop can be controlled by adding **UNTIL** or **WHILE** after the **DO** or **LOOP**.

**Remarks:** **DO** loops may be nested. An **EXIT** statement only exits the current loop.

**Examples:** Using **DO** and **LOOP**

```
10 PW$="" : DO
20 GET A$: PW$=PW$+A$
30 LOOP UNTIL LEN(PW$)>7 OR A$=CHR$(13)

10 DO : REM WAIT FOR USER DECISION
20 GET A$
30 LOOP UNTIL A$="Y" OR A$="N" OR A$="y" OR A$="n"

10 DO WHILE ABS(EPS) > 0.001
20 GOSUB 2000 : REM ITERATION SUBROUTINE
30 LOOP

10 I%=0 : REM INTEGER LOOP 1-100
20 DO: I%=I%+1
30 LOOP WHILE I% < 101
```

# DOPEN

**Token:** \$FE \$0D

**Format:** **DOPEN#** channel, filename [,**L** [reclen]] [,**W**] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Opens a file for reading or writing.

**channel** number, where:

- **1** <= **channel** <= **127** line terminator is CR.
- **128** <= **channel** <= **255** line terminator is CR LF.

**L** indicates, that the file is a relative file, which is opened for read/write, as well as random access. The reclen is mandatory for creating relative files. For existing relative files, **reclen** is used as a safety check, if given.

**W** opens a file for write access. The file must not exist.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **DOPEN#** may be used to open all file types. The sequential file type **SEQ** is default. The relative file type **REL** is chosen by using the **L** parameter. Other file types must be specified in the filename, e.g. by adding ",P" to the filename for **PRG** files or ",U" for **USR** files.

If the first character of the filename is an at sign '@', it is interpreted as a "save and replace" operation. It is not recommended to use this option on 1541 and 1571 drives, as they contain a "save and replace bug" in their DOS.

**Examples:** Using **DOPEN**

```
DOPEN#5,"DATA",U9  
DOPEN#130,(DD$),U(UNZ)  
DOPEN#3,"USER FILE,U"  
DOPEN#2,"DATA BASE",L240  
DOPEN#4,"MYPRG,P" : REM OPEN PRG FILE
```

# DOT

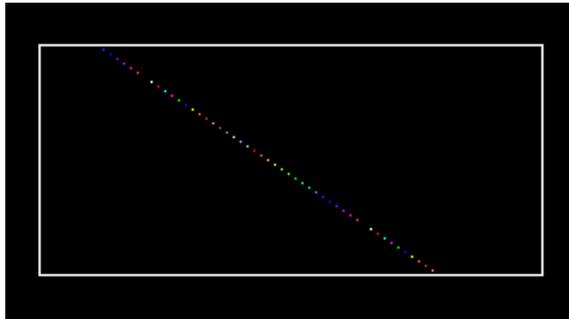
**Token:** \$FE \$4C

**Format:** **DOT** x, y [,colour]

**Usage:** Draws a pixel at screen coordinates x and y. The optional third parameter defines the colour to be used. If not specified, the current pen colour will be used.

**Example:** Using **DOT**:

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,5
20 BOX 50,50,270,150
30 VIEWPORT 50,50,220,100
40 FORI=0TO127
50 DOT I+I,I,I+I,I
60 NEXT
70 GETKEY A
80 SCREEN CLOSE
```



# DPAT

**Token:** \$FE \$36

**Format:** DPAT type [, number, pattern ...]

**Usage:** "Drawing PATtern" sets the pattern of the graphics context for drawing commands.

There are four predefined pattern types, that can be selected by specifying the type number (1, 2, 3, or 4) as a single parameter.

A value of zero for the type number indicates a user defined pattern. This pattern can be set by using a bit string that consists of either 8, 16, 24, or 32 bits. The number of used pattern bytes is given as the second parameter. It defines how many pattern bytes (1, 2, 3, or 4) follow.

- **Type** 0-4
- **Number** number of following pattern bytes (1-4)
- **Pattern** pattern bytes

# DS

**Format:** DS

**Usage:** DS holds the status of the last disk operation. It is a volatile variable. Each use triggers the reading of the disk status from the current disk device in usage. DS is coupled to the string variable DS\$ which is updated at the same time. Reading the disk status from a disk device automatically clears any error status on that device, so subsequent reads will return 0, if no other activity has since occurred.

**Remarks:** DS is a reserved system variable.

**Example:** Using DS

```
100 DOPEN#1,"DATA"  
110 IF DS<>0 THEN PRINT"COULD NOT OPEN FILE DATA":STOP
```

# DS\$

**Format:** DS\$

**Usage:** DS\$ holds the status of the last disk operation in text form of the format: Code,Message,Track,Sector.

DS\$ is coupled to the numeric variable DS. It is updated when DS is used. DS\$ is set to 00,0K,00,00 if there was no error, otherwise it is set to a DOS error message (listed in the disk drive manuals).

**Remarks:** DS\$ is a reserved system variable.

**Example:** Using DS\$

```
100 OPEN#1,"DATA"  
110 IF DS<>0 THEN PRINT DS$:STOP
```

# DSAVE

**Token:** \$EF

**Format:** **DSAVE** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** "Disk SAVE" saves the BASIC program to a file of type **PRG**.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (F1\$). The maximum length of the filename is 16 characters. If the first character of the filename is an at sign '@' it is interpreted as a "save and replace" operation. It is not recommended to use this option on 1541 and 1571 drives, as they contain a "save and replace bug" in their DOS.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **DVERIFY** can be used after **DSAVE** to check if the saved program on disk is identical to the program in memory.

**Example:** Using **DSAVE**

```
DSAVE "ADVENTURE"  
DSAVE "ZORK-1",U9  
DSAVE "DUNGEON",D1,U10
```

# DT\$

**Format:** DT\$

**Usage:** DT\$ holds the current date and is updated before each usage from the RTC (Real-Time Clock). The string DT\$ is formatted as: "DD-MON-YYYY", for example: "04-APR-2021".

**Remarks:** DT\$ is a reserved system variable. For more information on how to set the Real-Time Clock, refer to the Configuration Utility section on page ??.

**Example:** Using DT\$

```
100 PRINT "TODAY IS: ";DT$
```

# DVERIFY

**Token:** \$FE \$14

**Format:** **DVERIFY** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** "Disk VERIFY" compares the BASIC program in memory with a disk file of type **PRG**.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **DVERIFY** can only test for equality. It gives no information about the number or position of different valued bytes. **DVERIFY** exits either with the message OK or with VERIFY ERROR.

**Example:** Using **DVERIFY**

```
DVERIFY "ADVENTURE"  
DVERIFY "ZORK-I",U9  
DVERIFY "DUNGEON",D1,U10
```

# EDIT

**Format:** EDIT <ON | OFF>

**Usage:** EDIT switches the built-in editor either to text mode with **EDIT ON**, or to the BASIC program editor with **EDIT OFF**.

After power up or reset, the editor is initialised as BASIC program editor.

After setting the editor to text mode with **EDIT ON**, the differences to program mode are:

The editor does no tokenising/parsing. All text entered after a line number remains pure text, BASIC keywords such as **FOR** and **GOTO** are not converted to BASIC tokens, as they are whilst in program mode.

The line numbers are only used for text organisation, sorting, deleting, listing etc. When the text is saved to file with **DSAVE**, a sequential file (type **SEQ**) is written, not a program (**PRG**) file, which is how they're written whilst in program mode. Line numbers are not written to the file.

**DLOAD** in text mode can load only sequential files. Line numbers are automatically generated for editing purposes.

The mode of the editor can be recognised by looking at the prompt: In program mode, the prompt is **READY.**, whilst in text mode the prompt is **OK**.

Text mode affects entered lines with leading numbers only, lines with no line number are executed as BASIC commands, as usual.

Sequential files, created with the text editor, can be displayed (without loading them) on the screen by using **TYPE <filename>**.

**Example:** Using **EDIT**

```
ready.  
edit on  
  
ok.  
100 This is a simple text editor.  
dsave "example"  
  
ok.  
new  
  
ok.  
catalog  
  
0 "demoempty"      " 00 3d  
1 "example"        seq  
3159 blocks free  
  
ok.  
type "example"  
This is a simple text editor.  
  
ok.  
dload "example"  
  
loading  
  
ok.  
list  
  
1000 This is a simple text editor.  
  
ok.
```

# EDMA

**Token:** \$FE \$2 1

**Format:** **EDMA** command, length, source, target [, sub, mod]

**Usage:** **EDMA** ("Extended Direct Memory Access") is the fastest method to manipulate memory areas using the DMA controller.

**command** 0: copy, 1: mix, 2: swap, 3: fill.

**length** number of bytes (maximum = 65535).

**source** 28-bit address of read area or fill byte.

**target** 28-bit address of write area.

**sub** sub command (see chapter on DMA controller in the MEGA65 Book).

**mod** modifier (see chapter on DMA controller in the MEGA65 Book).

**Remarks:** **EDMA** can access the entire 256MB address range, using up to 28 bits for the addresses of the source and target.

**Examples:** Using **EDMA**

```
EDMA 0, $800, $F700, $8000000 :REM COPY SCALAR VARIABLES TO ATTIC RAM
EDMA 3, 80*25, 32, 2048       :REM FILL SCREEN WITH BLANKS
EDMA 0, 80*25, 2048, $8000800 :REM COPY SCREEN TO ATTIC RAM
```

# EL

**Format:** EL

**Usage:** EL has the value of the line where the most recent BASIC error occurred, or the value -1 if there was no error.

**Remarks:** EL is a reserved system variable.

This variable is typically used in a **TRAP** routine, where the error line is taken from EL.

**Example:** Using EL

```
10 TRAP 100
20 PRINT SQR(-1) :REM PROVOKE ERROR
30 PRINT "AT LINE 30":REM HERE TO RESUME
40 END
100 IF ER>0 THEN PRINT ERR$(ER);" ERROR"
110 PRINT " IN LINE";EL
120 RESUME NEXT :REM RESUME AFTER ERROR
```

# ELLIPSE

**Token:** \$FE \$30

**Format:** **ELLIPSE** xc, yc, xr, yr [, flags , start, stop]

**Usage:** Draws an ellipse.

**xc** is the x coordinate of the centre in pixels

**yc** is the y coordinate of the centre in pixels

**xr** is the x radius of the ellipse in pixels

**yr** is the y radius of the ellipse in pixels

**flags** control filling, arcs and orientation of the zero radian (combs flag named after **retroCombs**). Default setting (zero) is: Don't fill, draw legs, start drawing at 3 'o clock.

Bit	Name	Value	Action if set
0	fill	1	Fill ellipse or arc with the current pen colour
1	legs	2	Suppress drawing of the legs of an arc
2	combs	4	Drawing (0 degree) starts at 12 'o clock

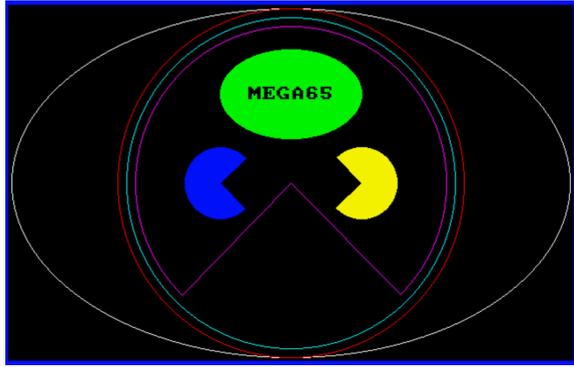
The units for the start- and stop-angle are degrees in the range of 0 to 360. The 0 radian starts at 3 o' clock and moves clockwise. The combs-flag shifts the 0 radian and the start position to the 12 'o clock position.

**start** start angle for drawing an elliptic arc.

**stop** stop angle for drawing an elliptic arc.

**Remarks:** **ELLIPSE** is used to draw ellipses on screens at various resolutions. If a full ellipse is to be drawn, start and stop should be either omitted or set both to zero (not 0 and 360). Drawing and filling of full ellipses is much faster, than using elliptic arcs.

**Example:** Using **ELLIPSE**



```

100 S%=2:D%=3:W%=320*S%:H%=200*S% :REM SCREEN SETTINGS
110 CX%=W%/2:CY%=H%/2 :REM CENTRE AND RADII
120 RX%=W%/2:RY%=H%/2
130 SCREEN W%,H%,D% :REM OPEN SCREEN
140 ELLIPSE CX%,CY%,CX%-4,CY%-4
150 PEN2:CIRCLE CX%,CY%,RY%-4,2
160 PEN3:CIRCLE CX%,CY%,RY%-14,2
170 PEN4:CIRCLE CX%,CY%,RY%-24,0,135,45
180 PEN5:ELLIPSE CX%,CY%/2,RX%/4,RY%/4,1
190 PEN6:CIRCLE 120*S%,CY%,40,1,45,315
200 PEN7:CIRCLE 200*S%,CY%,40,1,225,135
210 PEN0:CHAR 34,CY%/2-8,2,2,2,"MEGA65",530000
220 GETKEY A& :REM WAIT FOR ANY KEY
230 SCREEN CLOSE :REM CLOSE GRAPHICS SCREEN

```

# ELSE

**Token:** \$D5

**Format:** IF expression **THEN** true clause [**ELSE** false clause]

**Usage:** **ELSE** is an optional part of an **IF** statement.

**expression** a logical or numeric expression. A numeric expression is evaluated as **FALSE** if the value is zero and **TRUE** for any non-zero value.

**true clause** one or more statements starting directly after **THEN** on the same line. A line number after **THEN** performs a **GOTO** to that line instead.

**false clause** one or more statements starting directly after **ELSE** on the same line. A line number after **ELSE** performs a **GOTO** to that line instead.

**Remarks:** There must be a colon before **ELSE**. There cannot be a colon or end-of-line after **ELSE**.

The standard **IF ... THEN ... ELSE** structure is restricted to a single line. But the **true clause** and **false clause** may be expanded to several lines using a compound statement surrounded with **BEGIN** and **BEND**.

When the **true clause** does not use **BEGIN** and **BEND**, **ELSE** must be on the same line as **IF**.

**Example:** Using **ELSE**

```
100 REM ELSE
110 RED$=CHR$(28):BLACK$=CHR$(144):WHITE$=CHR$(5)
120 INPUT "ENTER A NUMBER";V
130 IF V<0 THENPRINT RED$;ELSEPRINT BLACK$;
140 PRINT V : REM PRINT NEGATIVE NUMBERS IN RED
150 PRINT WHITE$
160 INPUT "END PROGRAM:(Y/N)";A$
170 IF A$="Y" THENEND
180 IF A$="N" THEN120:ELSE160
```

Using **ELSE** with **BEGIN** and **BEND**.

```
100 A = 0 : GOSUB 200
110 A = 1 : GOSUB 200
120 END
200 IF A = 0 THEN BEGIN
210 PRINT "HELLO"
220 BEND : ELSE BEGIN
230 PRINT "GOODBYE"
240 BEND
250 RETURN
```

# END

**Token:** \$80

**Format:** END

**Usage:** Ends the execution of the BASIC program. The `READY` prompt appears and the computer goes into direct mode waiting for keyboard input.

**Remarks:** **END** does **not** clear channels nor close files. Also, variable definitions are still valid after **END**. The program may be continued with the **CONT** statement. After executing the last line of a program, **END** is automatically executed.

**Example:** Using **END**

```
10 IF V < 0 THEN END : REM NEGATIVE NUMBERS END THE PROGRAM
20 PRINT V
```

# ENVELOPE

**Token:** \$FE \$0A

**Format:** **ENVELOPE** n [{, attack, decay, sustain, release, waveform, pw}]

**Usage:** Used to define the parameters for the synthesis of a musical instrument.

**n** envelope slot (0-9).

**attack** attack rate (0-15).

**decay** decay rate (0-15).

**sustain** sustain rate (0-15).

**release** release rate (0-15).

**waveform** 0: triangle, 1: sawtooth, 2: square/pulse, 3: noise, 4: ring modulation.

**pw** pulse width (0-4095) for waveform.

There are 10 slots for storing instrument parameters, preset with the following default values:

n	A	D	S	R	WF	PW	Instrument
0	0	9	0	0	2	1536	Piano
1	12	0	12	0	1		Accordion
2	0	0	15	0	0		Calliope
3	0	5	5	0	3		Drum
4	9	4	4	0	0		Flute
5	0	9	2	1	1		Guitar
6	0	9	0	0	2	512	Harpsichord
7	0	9	9	0	2	2048	Organ
8	8	9	4	1	2	512	Trumpet
9	0	9	0	0	0		Xylophone

**Example:** Using **ENVELOPE**

```
10 ENVELOPE 9,10,5,10,5,2,4000
20 VOL 9
30 TEMPO 30
40 PLAY "T904Q CDEF6AB U3T8 CDEF6AB L","T503Q H C6EQ6 T7 HC6EQ6 L"
```

# ER

**Format:** ER

**Usage:** ER has the value of the most recent BASIC error that has occurred, or -1 if there was no error.

**Remarks:** ER is a reserved system variable.

This variable is typically used in a **TRAP** routine, where the error number is taken from ER.

**Example:** Using ER

```
10 TRAP 100
20 PRINT SQR(-1) :REM PROVOKE ERROR
30 PRINT "AT LINE 30":REM HERE TO RESUME
40 END
100 IF ER>0 THEN PRINT ERR$(ER);" ERROR"
110 PRINT " IN LINE";EL
120 RESUME NEXT :REM RESUME AFTER ERROR
```

# ERASE

**Token:** \$FE \$2A

**Format:** **ERASE** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit] [,**R**]

**Usage:** Used to erase a disk file.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**R** Recover a previously erased file. This will only work if there were no write operations between erasing and recovery, which may have altered the contents of the disk.

**Remarks:** **ERASE filename** is a synonym of **SCRATCH filename** and **DELETE filename**.

In direct mode the success and the number of erased files is printed. The second to last number from the message contains the number of successfully erased files,

**Examples:** Using **ERASE**

```
ERASE "DRM",U9 :REM ERASE FILE DRM ON UNIT 9
01, FILES SCRATCHED,01,00
ERASE "OLD*" :REM ERASE ALL FILES BEGINNING WITH "OLD"
01, FILES SCRATCHED,04,00
ERASE "R*=PRG" :REM ERASE PROGRAM FILES STARTING WITH 'R'
01, FILES SCRATCHED,09,00
```

# ERR\$

**Token:** \$D3

**Format:** ERR\$(number)

**Usage:** Used to convert an error number to an error string.

**number** is a BASIC error number (1-41).

This function is typically used in a **TRAP** routine, where the error number is taken from the reserved variable **ER**.

**Remarks:** Arguments out of range (1-41) will produce an ILLEGAL QUANTITY error.

**Example:** Using ERR\$

```
10 TRAP 100
20 PRINT SQR(-1) :REM PROVOKE ERROR
30 PRINT "AT LINE 30":REM HERE TO RESUME
40 END
100 IF ER>0 THEN PRINT ERR$(ER);" ERROR"
110 PRINT " IN LINE";EL
120 RESUME NEXT :REM RESUME AFTER ERROR
```

# EXIT

**Token:** \$FD

**Format:** EXIT

**Usage:** Exits the current **DO .. LOOP** and continues execution at the first statement after **LOOP**.

**Remarks:** In nested loops, **EXIT** exits only the current loop, and continues execution in an outer loop (if there is one).

**Example:** Using **EXIT**

```
1 REM EXIT
10 OPEN 2,8,0,"$" : REM OPEN CATALOG
15 IF DS THEN PRINT DS$: STOP: REM CANT READ
20 GET#2,D$,D$ : REM DISCARD LOAD ADDRESS
25 DO : REM LINE LOOP
30 GET#2,D$,D$ : REM DISCARD LINE LINK
35 IF ST THEN EXIT : REM END-OF-FILE
40 GET#2,LO,HI : REM FILE SIZE BYTES
45 S=LO + 256 * HI : REM FILE SIZE
50 LINE INPUT#2, F$ : REM FILE NAME
55 PRINT S;F$ : REM PRINT FILE ENTRY
60 LOOP
65 CLOSE 2
```

# EXP

**Token:** \$BD

**Format:** EXP(numeric expression)

**Usage:** The **EXP** (EXponential function) computes the value of the mathematical constant Euler's number (**2.71828183**) raised to the power of the argument.

**Remarks:** An argument greater than 88 produces an **OVERFLOW ERROR**.

**Examples:** Using **EXP**

```
PRINT EXP(1)
2.71828183

PRINT EXP(0)
1

PRINT EXP(LOG(2))
2
```

# FAST

**Token:** \$FE \$25

**Format:** **FAST** [speed]

**Usage:** Set CPU clock to 1MHz, 3.5MHz or 40MHz.

**speed** CPU clock speed where:

- **1** sets CPU to 1MHz.
- **3** sets CPU to 3MHz.
- Anything other than **1** or **3** sets the CPU to 40MHz.

**Remarks:** Although it's possible to call **FAST** with any real number, the precision part (the decimal point and any digits after it), will be ignored.

**FAST** is a synonym of **SPEED**.

**FAST** has no effect if **POKE 0,65** has previously been used to set the CPU to 40MHz.

**Example:** Using **FAST**

```
10 FAST      :REM SET SPEED TO MAXIMUM (40 MHZ)
20 FAST 1    :REM SET SPEED TO 1 MHZ
30 FAST 3    :REM SET SPEED TO 3.5 MHZ
40 FAST 3.5  :REM SET SPEED TO 3.5 MHZ
```

# FGOSUB

**Token:** \$FE \$48

**Format:** **FGOSUB** numeric expression

**Usage:** Evaluates the given numeric expression, then calls (**GOSUBs**) the subroutine at the resulting line number.

**Warning:** Using this feature can break your program if **RENUMBER** is applied, as line numbers may change and the numeric expression will no longer address your intended line numbers.

**Example:** Using **FGOSUB**:

```
10 INPUT "WHICH SUBROUTINE TO EXECUTE 100,200,300";LI
20 FGOSUB LI :REM HOPEFULLY THIS LINE # EXISTS
30 GOTO 10 :REM REPEAT
100 PRINT "AT LINE 100":RETURN
200 PRINT "AT LINE 200":RETURN
300 PRINT "AT LINE 300":RETURN
```

# FGOTO

**Token:** \$FE \$47

**Format:** **FGOTO** numeric expression

**Usage:** Evaluates the given numeric expression, then jumps (**GOesTO**) to the resulting line number.

**Warning:** Using this feature can break your program if **RENUMBER** is applied, as line numbers may change and the numeric expression will no longer address your intended line numbers.

**Example:** Using **FGOTO**:

```
10 INPUT "WHICH LINE # TO EXECUTE 100,200,300";LI
20 FGOTO LI :REM HOPEFULLY THIS LINE # EXISTS
30 END

100 PRINT "AT LINE 100":END
200 PRINT "AT LINE 200":END
300 PRINT "AT LINE 300":END
```

# FILTER

**Token:** \$FE \$O3

**Format:** **FILTER** sid [{, freq, lp, bp, hp, res}]

**Usage:** Sets the parameters for a SID sound filter.

**sid** 1: right SID, 2: left SID

**freq** filter cut off frequency (0 - 2047)

**lp** low pass filter (0: off, 1: on)

**bp** band pass filter (0: off, 1: on)

**hp** high pass filter (0: off, 1: on)

**resonance** resonance (0 - 15)

**Remarks:** Missing parameters keep their current value. The effective filter is the sum of of all filter settings. This enables band reject and notch effects.

**Example:** Using **FILTER**

```
10 PLAY "T7X103P9C"
15 SLEEP 0.02
20 PRINT "LOW PASS SWEEP" :L=1:B=0:H=0:GOSUB 100
30 PRINT "BAND PASS SWEEP":L=0:B=1:H=0:GOSUB 100
40 PRINT "HIGH PASS SWEEP":L=0:B=0:H=1:GOSUB 100
50 GOTO 20
100 REM *** SWEEP ***
110 FOR F = 50 TO 1950 STEP 50
120 IF F >= 1000 THEN FF = 2000-F : ELSE FF = F
130 FILTER 1,FF,L,B,H,15
140 PLAY "X1"
150 SLEEP 0.02
160 NEXT F
170 RETURN
```

# FIND

**Token:** \$FE \$2B

**Format:** **FIND** /string/ [, line range]  
**FIND** "string" [, line range]

**Usage:** **FIND** is an editor command that can only be used in direct mode. It searches a given line range (if specified), otherwise the entire BASIC program is searched. At each occurrence of the "find string" the line is listed with the string highlighted.  can be used to pause the output.

**Remarks:** Any un-shifted character that is not part of the string can be used instead of /.

However, using double quotes " as a delimiter has a special effect: The search text is not tokenised. **FIND "FOR"** will search for the three letters F, O, and R, not the BASIC keyword **FOR**. Therefore, it can find the word **FOR** in string constants or REM statements, but not in program code.

On the other hand, **FIND /FOR/** will find all occurrences of the BASIC keyword, but not the text "FOR" in strings.

Partial keywords cannot be searched. For example, **FIND /LOO/** will not find the keyword **LOOP**,

**Example:** Using **FIND**

```
READY.
LIST

10 REM PARROT COLOUR SCHEME
20 FONT B :REM SERIF
30 FOREGROUND 5 :REM GREEN
40 BACKGROUND 0 :REM BLACK
50 HIGHLIGHT 4,0 :REM SYSTEM PURPLE
60 HIGHLIGHT 14,1 :REM REM BLUE
70 HIGHLIGHT 7,2 :REM KEYWORD YELLOW

READY.
FIND /OLO/

10 REM PARROT COLOUR SCHEME

READY.
FIND /HIGHLIGHT/

50 HIGHLIGHT 4,0 :REM SYSTEM PURPLE
60 HIGHLIGHT 14,1 :REM REM BLUE
70 HIGHLIGHT 7,2 :REM KEYWORD YELLOW

READY.
█
```

# FN

**Token:** \$A5

**Format:** FN name(numeric expression)

**Usage:** FN functions are user-defined functions, that accept a numeric expression as an argument and return a real value. They must first be defined with **DEF FN** before being used.

**Example:** Using FN

```
10 PD = pi / 180
20 DEF FN CD(X)= COS(X*PD): REM COS FOR DEGREES
30 DEF FN SD(X)= SIN(X*PD): REM SIN FOR DEGREES
40 FOR D=0 TO 360 STEP 90
50 PRINT USING "####";D
60 PRINT USING " ###.##";FNCD(D);
70 PRINT USING " ###.##";FNSD(D)
80 NEXT D
RUN
 0 1.00 0.00
 90 0.00 1.00
180 -1.00 0.00
270 0.00 -1.00
360 1.00 0.00
```

# FONT

**Token:** \$FE \$46

**Format:** FONT <A | B | C>

**Usage:** FONT is used to switch between fonts, and the code pages PETSCII, and enhanced PETSCII. The enhanced PETSCII includes all ASCII symbols that are missing in the PETSCII code page, although the order is still PETSCII. The ASCII symbols are typed by pressing the keys in the table below, some of which also require the holding down of the  key. The codes for uppercase and lowercase are swapped compared to ASCII. The uppercase/graphics character set is not changed.

Code	Key	PETSCII	ASCII
\$5C	Pound	£	\ (backslash)
\$5E	Up Arrow (next to RESTORE)	↑	^ (caret)
\$5F	Left Arrow (next to 1)	←	_ (underscore)
\$7B	MEGA + Colon	†	{ (open brace)
\$7C	MEGA + Dot	‡	(pipe)
\$7D	MEGA + Semicolon	‡	} (close brace)
\$7E	MEGA + Comma	‡	~ (tilde)

**Remarks:** The additional ASCII characters provided by FONT A and B are only available while using the lowercase/uppercase character set.

**Examples:** Using FONT

```
FONT A :REM ASCII - ENABLE { } _ ~ ^
FONT B :REM LIKE A, WITH A SERIF FONT
FONT C :REM COMMODORE FONT (DEFAULT)
```

# FOR

**Token:** \$8 1

**Format:** **FOR** index = start **TO** end [**STEP** step] ... **NEXT** [index]

**Usage:** **FOR** statements start a BASIC loop with an index variable.

**index** may be incremented or decremented by a constant value on each iteration. The default is to increment the variable by 1. The index variable must be a real variable.

**start** is used to initialise the index.

**end** is checked at the end of an iteration, and determines whether another iteration will be performed, or if the loop will exit.

**step** defines the change applied to the index variable at the end of an iteration. Positive step values increment it, while negative values decrement it. It defaults to 1.0 if not specified.

**Remarks:** For positive increments **end** must be greater than or equal to **start**, whereas for negative increments **end** must be less than or equal to **start**.

It is bad programming practice to change the value of the **index** variable inside the loop or to jump into or out of a loop body with **GOTO**.

**Examples:** Using **FOR**

```
10 FOR D=0 TO 360 STEP 30
20 R = D * π / 180
30 PRINT D;R;SIN(R);COS(R);TAN(R)
40 NEXT D
```

```
10 DIM M(20,20)
20 FOR I=0 TO 20
30 FOR J=I TO 20
40 M(I,J) = I + 100 * J
50 NEXT J,I
```

# FOREGROUND

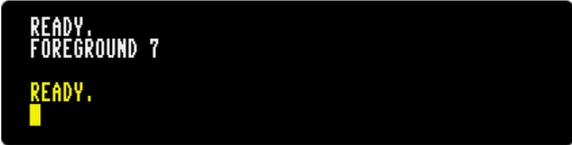
**Token:** \$FE \$39

**Format:** **FOREGROUND** colour

**Usage:** Sets the foreground colour (text colour) of the screen to the argument, which must be in the range of 0 to 31. Refer to the table under **BACKGROUND** on page 23 for the colour values and their corresponding colours.

**Remarks:** **COLOR** also has the ability to change the foreground colour.

**Example:** Using **FOREGROUND**



```
READY,  
FOREGROUND 7
```

```
READY,  
█
```

# FORMAT

**Token:** \$FE \$37

**Format:** **FORMAT** diskname [,**I** id] [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Used to format (or clear) a disk.

**I** The disk ID.

**diskname** is either a quoted string, e.g. "DATA" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (DN\$). The maximum length of **diskname** is 16 characters.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **FORMAT** and **HEADER** are aliases and call the same routine.

For new floppy disks which have not already been formatted in MEGA65 (1581) format, it is necessary to specify the disk ID with the **I** parameter. This switches the format command to low level format, which writes sector IDs and erases all contents. This takes some time, as every block on the floppy disk will be written.

If the **I** parameter is omitted, a quick format will be performed. This is only possible if the disk has already been formatted as a MEGA65 or 1581 floppy disk. A quick format writes the new disk name and clears the block allocation map, marking all blocks as free. The disk ID is not changed, and blocks are not overwritten, so contents may be recovered with **ERASE R**. You can read more about **ERASE** on page 99.

**Examples:** Using **FORMAT**

```
FORMAT "ADVENTURE",IDK : FORMAT DISK WITH NAME ADVENTURE AND ID DK
FORMAT "ZORK-I",U9      : FORMAT DISK IN UNIT 9 WITH NAME ZORK-I
FORMAT "DUNGEON",D1,U10: FORMAT DISK IN DRIVE 1 UNIT 10 WITH NAME DUNGEON
```

# FRE

**Token:** \$B8

**Format:** FRE(bank)

**Usage:** Returns the number of free bytes for banks 0 or 1, or the ROM version if the argument is negative.

**FRE(0)** returns the number of free bytes in bank 0, which is used for BASIC program source.

**FRE(1)** returns the number of free bytes in bank 1, which is the bank for BASIC variables, arrays and strings. **FRE(1)** also triggers “garbage collection”, which is a process that collects strings in use at the top of the bank, thereby defragmenting string memory.

**FRE(-1)** returns the ROM version, a six-digit number of the form 92XXXX.

**Example:** Using **FRE**:

```
10 PM = FRE(0)
20 VM = FRE(1)
30 RV = FRE(-1)
40 PRINT PM;" FREE FOR PROGRAM"
50 PRINT VM;" FREE FOR VARIABLES"
60 PRINT RV;" ROM VERSION"
```

# FREAD

**Token:** \$FE \$1C

**Format:** **FREAD#** channel, pointer, size

**Usage:** Reads **size** bytes from **channel** to memory starting at the 32-bit address **pointer**.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

Care must be taken not to overwrite memory that is used by the system or the interpreter.

It is recommended to use the **POINTER** statement for the pointer argument, and to compute the size parameter by multiplying the number of elements with the item size.

Type	Item Size
Byte Array	1
Integer Array	2
Real Array	5

Keep in mind that the **POINTER** function with a string argument does NOT return the string address, but the string descriptor. It is not recommended to use **FREAD** for strings or string arrays unless you are fully aware on how to handle the string storage internals.

Also, ensure that you always specify an index if you use an array. The start address of array **XY**(**I**) is **POINTER(XY(0))**. **POINTER(XY)** returns the address of the scalar variable **XY**.

**Example:** Using **FREAD**:

```
100 N=23
110 DIM B&(N),C&(N)
120 DOPEN#2,"TEXT"
130 FREAD#2,POINTER(B&(0)),N
140 DCLOSE#2
150 FOR I=0TO N-1:PRINTCHR$(B&(I));:NEXT
160 FOR I=0TO N-1:C&(I)=B&(N-1-I):NEXT
170 DOPEN#2,"REVERS",M
180 FWRITE#2,POINTER(C&(0)),N
190 DCLOSE#2
```

# FREEZER

**Token:** \$FE \$4A

**Format:** FREEZER

**Usage:** FREEZER calls the FREEZER program.

**Remarks:** Calling FREEZER via BASIC command is an alternative to the keypress of

RESTORE.

**Examples:** Using FREEZER

```
FREEZER :REM CALL FREEZER MENU
```

# FWRITE

**Token:** \$FE \$1E

**Format:** FWRITE# channel, pointer, size

**Usage:** Writes **size** bytes to **channel** from memory starting at the 32-bit address **pointer**.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **APPEND**, **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

It is recommended to use the **POINTER** statement for the pointer argument and compute the size parameter by multiplying the number of elements with the item size.

Refer to the **FREAD** item size table on page 114 for the item sizes.

Keep in mind that the **POINTER** function with a string argument does NOT return the string address, but the string descriptor. It is not recommended to use **FWRITE** for strings or string arrays unless you are fully aware on how to handle the string storage internals.

Also, ensure that you always specify an index if you use an array. The start address of array **XV()** is **POINTER(XV(0))**. **POINTER(XV)** returns the address of the scalar variable **XV**.

**Example:** Using **FWRITE**:

```
100 N=23
110 DIM B$(N),C$(N)
120 DOPEN#2,"TEXT"
130 FREAD#2,POINTER(B$(0)),N
140 DCLOSE#2
150 FOR I=0 TO N-1:PRINTCHR$(B$(I));:NEXT
160 FOR I=0 TO N-1:C$(I)=B$(N-1-I):NEXT
170 DOPEN#2,"REVERS",N
180 FWRITE#2,POINTER(C$(0)),N
190 DCLOSE#2
```

# GCOPY

**Token:** \$FE \$32

**Format:** **GCOPY** x, y, width, height

**Usage:** **GCOPY** is used on graphic screens and copies the content of the specified rectangle with upper left position **x, y** and the **width** and **height** to the cut/copy/paste buffer.

The copied region can be inserted at any position with the command **PASTE**.

**Remarks:** The size of the rectangle is limited by the 1K size of the cut/copy/paste buffer. The memory requirement for a region is width \* height \* number of bitplanes / 8. It must not equal or exceed 1024 byte. For a 4-bitplane screen for example, a 45 x 45 region needs 1012.5 byte.

**Example:** Using **GCOPY** (see also **CUT**).

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,2
20 BOX 60,60,300,180,1 :REM DRAW A WHITE BOX
30 GCOPY 140,80,40,40 :REM COPY A 40 * 40 REGION
40 PASTE 10,10,40,40 :REM PASTE IT TO NEW POSITION
50 GETKEY AS :REM WAIT FOR KEYPRESS
60 SCREEN CLOSE
```

# GET

**Token:** \$A1

**Format:** **GET** variable

**Usage:** Gets the next character (or byte value of the next character) from the keyboard queue. If the variable being set to the character is of type string and the queue is empty, an empty string is assigned to it, otherwise a one character string is created and assigned instead. If the variable is of type numeric, the byte value of the key is assigned to it, otherwise zero will be assigned if the queue is empty. **GET** does not wait for keyboard input, so it's useful to check for key presses at regular intervals or in loops.

**Remarks:** **GETKEY** is similar, but waits until a key has been pressed.

**Example:** Using **GET**:

```
10 DO: GET A$: LOOP UNTIL A$ <> ""
40 IF A$ = "W" THEN 1000 :REM GO NORTH
50 IF A$ = "A" THEN 2000 :REM GO WEST
60 IF A$ = "S" THEN 3000 :REM GO EAST
70 IF A$ = "Z" THEN 4000 :REM GO SOUTH
80 IF A$ = CHR$(13) THEN 5000 :REM RETURN
90 GOTO 10
```

# GET#

**Token:** \$A1 '#'

**Format:** **GET#** channel, variable [, variable ...]

**Usage:** Reads a single byte from the channel argument and assigns single character strings to string variables, or an 8-bit binary value to numeric variables. This is useful for reading characters (or bytes) from an input stream one byte at a time.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

**Remarks:** All values from 0 to 255 are valid, so **GET** can also be used to read binary data.

**Example:** Using **GET#** to read a disk directory:

```
1 REM GET#
10 OPEN 2,8,0,"$" : REM OPEN CATALOG
15 IF DS THEN PRINT DS$: STOP: REM CANT READ
20 GET#2,D$,D$ : REM DISCARD LOAD ADDRESS
25 DO : REM LINE LOOP
30 GET#2,D$,D$ : REM DISCARD LINE LINK
35 IF ST THEN EXIT : REM END-OF-FILE
40 GET#2,LO,HI : REM FILE SIZE BYTES
45 $=LO + 256 * HI : REM FILE SIZE
50 LINE INPUT#2, F$ : REM FILE NAME
55 PRINT $;F$ : REM PRINT FILE ENTRY
60 LOOP
65 CLOSE 2
```

# GETKEY

**Token:**        \$A1 \$F9 (GET token and KEY token)

**Format:**       **GETKEY** variable

**Usage:**        Gets the next character (or byte value of the next character) from the keyboard queue. If the queue is empty, the program will wait until a key has been pressed. After a key has been pressed, the variable will be set and program execution will continue. When used with a string variable, a one character string is created and assigned. Otherwise if the variable is of type numeric, the byte value is assigned.

**Example:**     Using **GETKEY**:

```
10 GETKEY A$ :REM WAIT AND GET CHARACTER
40 IF A$ = "W" THEN 1000 :REM GO NORTH
50 IF A$ = "A" THEN 2000 :REM GO WEST
60 IF A$ = "S" THEN 3000 :REM GO EAST
70 IF A$ = "Z" THEN 4000 :REM GO SOUTH
80 IF A$ = CHR$(13) THEN 5000 :REM RETURN
90 GOTO 10
```

# GO64

**Token:** \$CB \$36 \$34 (GO token and 64 )

**Format:** **GO64**

**Usage:** Switches the MEGA65 to C64-compatible -mode. If you're in direct mode, a security prompt **ARE YOU SURE?** is displayed, which must be responded with **Y** to continue. **\$Y\$58552** can be used to switch back to C65-mode.

**Example:** Using **GO64**:

```
GO64
ARE YOU SURE?
```

# GOSUB

**Token:** \$8D

**Format:** **GOSUB** line

**Usage:** **GOSUB** (GOto SUBroutine) continues program execution at the given BASIC line number, saving the current BASIC program counter and line number on the run-time stack. This enables the resumption of execution after the **GOSUB** statement, once a **RETURN** statement in the called subroutine is executed. Calls to subroutines via **GOSUB** may be nested, but the subroutines must always end with **RETURN**, otherwise a stack overflow may occur.

**Remarks:** Unlike other programming languages, BASIC 65 does not support arguments or local variables for subroutines. Programs can be optimised by grouping subroutines at the beginning of the program source. The **GOSUB** calls will then have low line numbers with fewer digits to decode. The subroutines will also be found faster, since the search for subroutines often starts at the beginning of the program.

**Example:** Using **GOSUB**:

```
10 GOTO 100 :REM TO MAIN PROGRAM
20 REM *** SUBROUTINE DISK STATUS CHECK ***
30 DD=DS:IF DD THEN PRINT "DISK ERROR";DS$
40 RETURN
50 REM *** SUBROUTINE PROMPT Y/N ***
60 DO:INPUT "CONTINUE (Y/N)";A$
70 LOOP UNTIL A$="Y" OR A$="N"
80 RETURN
90 REM *** MAIN PROGRAM ***
100 DOPE#2,"BIG DATA"
110 GOSUB 30: IF DD THEN DCLOSE#2:GOSUB 60:REM ASK
120 IF A$="N" THEN STOP
130 GOTO 100: REM RETRY
```

# GOTO

**Token:** \$89 (GOTO) or \$CB \$A4 (GO TO)

**Format:** **GOTO** line  
**GO TO** line

**Usage:** Continues program execution at the given BASIC line number.

**Remarks:** If the target **line** number is higher than the current line number, the search starts from the current line, proceeding to higher line numbers. If the target **line** number is lower, the search starts at the first **line** number of the program. It is possible to optimise the run-time speed of the program by grouping often used targets at the start (with lower line numbers).

**GOTO** (written as a single word) executes faster than **GO TO**.

**Example:** Using **GOTO**:

```
10 GOTO 100 :REM TO MAIN PROGRAM
20 REM *** SUBROUTINE DISK STATUS CHECK ***
30 DD=DS:IF DD THEN PRINT "DISK ERROR";DS$
40 RETURN
50 REM *** SUBROUTINE PROMPT Y/N ***
60 DO:INPUT "CONTINUE (Y/N)";A$
70 LOOP UNTIL A$="Y" OR A$="N"
80 RETURN
90 *** MAIN PROGRAM ***
100 DOPEN#2,"BIG DATA"
110 GOSUB 30: IF DD THEN DCLOSE#2:GOTO 60:REM ASK
120 IF A$="N" THEN STOP
130 GOTO 100: REM RETRY
```

# GRAPHIC

**Token:** \$DE

**Format:** GRAPHIC CLR

**Usage:** Initialises the BASIC graphic system. It clears the graphics memory and screen, and sets all parameters of the graphics context to their default values.

Once the graphics system has been cleared, commands such as **LINE**, **PALETTE**, **PEN**, **SCNCLR**, and **SCREEN** can be used to set graphic system parameters again.

**Example:** Using **GRAPHIC**:

```
100 REM GRAPHIC
110 GRAPHIC CLR      : REM INITIALISE
120 SCREEN DEF 1,1,1,2 : REM 640 X 400 X 2
130 SCREEN OPEN 1   : REM OPEN IT
140 SCREEN SET 1,1   : REM VIEW IT
150 PALETTE 1,0,0, 0,0 : REM BLACK
160 PALETTE 1,1,0,15,0 : REM GREEN
170 SCNCLR 0        : REM FILL SCREEN WITH BLACK
180 PEN 0,1         : REM SELECT PEN
190 LINE 50,50,590,350 : REM DRAW LINE
200 GETKEY AS       : REM WAIT FOR KEYPRESS
210 SCREEN CLOSE 1  : REM CLOSE SCREEN AND RESTORE PALETTE
```

# HEADER

**Token:**        \$F1

**Format:**     **HEADER** diskname [,I id] [,D drive] [,U unit]

**Usage:**       Used to format (or clear) a disk.

**I** The disk ID.

**diskname** is either a quoted string, e.g. "DATA" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (DN\$). The maximum length of **diskname** is 16 characters.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:**    **FORMAT** and **HEADER** are aliases and call the same routine.

For new floppy disks which have not already been formatted in MEGA65 (1581) format, it is necessary to specify the disk ID with the **I** parameter. This switches the format command to low level format, which writes sector IDs and erases all contents. This takes some time, as every block on the floppy disk will be written.

If the **I** parameter is omitted, a quick format will be performed. This is only possible if the disk has already been formatted as a MEGA65 or 1581 floppy disk. A quick format writes the new disk name and clears the block allocation map, marking all blocks as free. The disk ID is not changed, and blocks are not overwritten, so contents may be recovered with **ERASE R**. You can read more about **ERASE** on page 99.

**Examples:**    Using **HEADER**

```
HEADER "ADVENTURE",IDK : FORMAT DISK WITH NAME ADVENTURE AND ID DK
HEADER "ZORK-I",U9      : FORMAT DISK IN UNIT 9 WITH NAME ZORK-I
HEADER "DUNGEON",D1,U10: FORMAT DISK IN DRIVE 1 UNIT 10 WITH NAME DUNGEON
```

# HELP

**Token:** \$EA

**Format:** **HELP**

**Usage:** When the BASIC program stops due to an error, **HELP** can be used to gain further information. The interpreted line is listed, with the erroneous statement highlighted or underlined.

**Remarks:** Displays BASIC errors. For errors related to disk I/O, the disk status variable **DS** or the disk status string **DSS** should be used instead.

**Example:** Using **HELP**

```
10 A=1.E20
20 B=A+A:C=EXP(A):PRINT A,B,C
RUN

?OVERFLOW ERROR IN 20
READY.
HELP

20 B=A+A:C=EXP(A):PRINT A,B,C
```

# HEX\$

**Token:** \$D2

**Format:** HEX\$(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns a four character hexadecimal representation of the argument. The argument must be in the range of 0-65535, corresponding to the hex numbers \$0000-\$FFFF.

**Remarks:** If real numbers are used as arguments, the fractional part will be ignored. In other words, real numbers will not be rounded.

**Example:** Using HEX\$:

```
PRINT HEX$(10),HEX$(100),HEX$(1000.9)
000A    0064    03E8
```

# HIGHLIGHT

**Token:** \$FE \$3D

**Format:** **HIGHLIGHT** colour [, mode]

**Usage:** Sets the colours used for highlighting. Different colours can be set for system messages, **REM** statements and BASIC 65 keywords.

**colour** is one of the first 16 colours in the current palette. Refer to page 23 for the colours in the default palette.

**mode** indicates what the colour will be used for.

- **0** system messages (the default mode)
- **1** **REM** statements
- **2** BASIC keywords

**Remarks:** The system messages colour is used when displaying error messages, and in the output of **CHANGE**, **FIND**, and **HELP**. The colours for **REM** statements and BASIC keywords are used by **LIST**.

**Example:** Using **HIGHLIGHT** to change the color of BASIC keywords to red.

```
LIST
10 REM *** THIS IS HELLO WORLD ***
20 PRINT "HELLO WORLD"

READY,
HIGHLIGHT 8,2

READY,
LIST
10 REM *** THIS IS HELLO WORLD ***
20 PRINT "HELLO WORLD"

READY,
█
```

# IF

**Token:** \$8B

**Format:** IF expression THEN true clause [ELSE false clause]

**Usage:** Starts a conditional execution statement.

**expression** a logical or numeric expression. A numeric expression is evaluated as **FALSE** if the value is zero and **TRUE** for any non-zero value.

**true clause** one or more statements starting directly after **THEN** on the same line. A line number after **THEN** performs a **GOTO** to that line instead.

**false clause** one or more statements starting directly after **ELSE** on the same line. A line number after **ELSE** performs a **GOTO** to that line instead.

**Remarks:** The standard IF ... THEN ... ELSE structure is restricted to a single line. But the **true clause** and **false clause** may be expanded to several lines using a compound statement surrounded with **BEGIN** and **BEND**.

**Example:** Using IF

```
1 REM IF
10 RED$=CHR$(28) : BLACK$=CHR$(144) : WHITE$=CHR$(5)
20 INPUT "ENTER A NUMBER";V
30 IF V<0 THEN PRINT RED$; : ELSE PRINT BLACK$;
40 PRINT V : REM PRINT NEGATIVE NUMBERS IN RED
50 PRINT WHITE$
60 INPUT "END PROGRAM: (Y/N)"; A$
70 IF A$="Y" THEN END
80 IF A$="N" THEN 20 : ELSE 60
```

# IMPORT

**Token:** \$DD

**Format:** **IMPORT** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** The **IMPORT** command loads a BASIC program in text format and type **SEQ** into memory reserved for BASIC programs.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** The program is loaded into BASIC memory and converted from text to the tokenised form of **PRG** files. This enables loading of BASIC programs that were saved as plain text files as program listing. After loading, the program is re-linked and ready to be **RUN** or edited. It is possible to use **IMPORT** for merging a program text file from disk to a program already in memory. Each line read from the file is processed in the same way, as if typed from the user with the screen editor.

There is no **EXPORT** counterpart, because this function is already available. The sequence `DOPEN#1,"LISTING",M:CMD 1:LIST:DCLOSE#1` converts the program in memory to text and writes it to the file, that is named in the **DOPEN** statement.

**Examples:** Using **IMPORT**

```
IMPORT "APOCALYPSE"  
IMPORT "MEGA TOOLS",U9  
IMPORT (FI$),U(UN%)
```

# INPUT

**Token:** \$85

**Format:** **INPUT** [prompt <, | ;>] variable [, variable ...]

**Usage:** Prints an optional prompt string and question mark to the screen, flashes the cursor and waits for user input from the keyboard.

**prompt** optional string expression to be printed as the prompt. If the separator between **prompt** and **variable list** is a comma, the cursor is placed directly after the prompt. If the separator is a semicolon, a question mark and a space is added to the prompt instead.

**variable list** list of one or more variables that receive the input.

The input will be processed after the user presses .

**Remarks:** The user must take care to enter the correct type of input, so it matches the **variable list** types. Also, the number of input items must match the number of variables. A surplus of input items will be ignored, whereas too few input items trigger another request for input with the prompt ??. Typing non numeric characters for integer or real variables will produce a **TYPE MISMATCH ERROR**. Strings for string variables must be in double quotes (") if they contain spaces or commas. Many programs that need a safe input routine use **LINE INPUT** and a custom parser, in order to avoid program errors by wrong user input.

**Example:** Using **INPUT**:

```
10 DIM N$(100),A$(100),S$(100):
20 DO
30 INPUT "NAME, AGE, GENDER";NA$,AG$,SE$
40 IF NA$="" THEN 30
50 IF NA$="END" THEN EXIT
60 IF AG% < 18 OR AG% > 100 THEN PRINT "AGE?":GOTO 30
70 IF SE$ (<) "M" AND SE$ (<) "F" THEN PRINT "GENDER?":GOTO 30
80 REM CHECK OK: ENTER INTO ARRAY
90 N$(N)=NA$:A$(N)=AG%:S$(N)=SE$:N=N+1
100 LOOP UNTIL N=100
110 PRINT "RECEIVED";N;" NAMES"
```

# INPUT#

**Token:** \$84

**Format:** **INPUT#** channel, variable [, variable ...]

**Usage:** Reads a record from an input device, e.g. a disk file and assigns the data to the variables in the list.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

**variable list** list of one or more variables, that receive the input.

The input record must be terminated by a RETURN character and must be not longer than the input buffer (160 characters).

**Remarks:** The type and number of data in a record must match the variable list. Reading non numeric characters for integer or real variables will produce a FILE DATA ERROR. Strings for string variables have to be put in quotes if they contain spaces or commas.

**LINE INPUT#** may be used to read a whole record into a single string variable.

Sequential files, that can be read by **INPUT#** can be generated by programs with **PRINT#** or with the editor of the MEGA65. For example:

```
EDIT ON

10 "CHUCK PEDDLE",1937,"ENGINEER OF THE 6502"
20 "JACK TRAMIEL",1928,"FOUNDER OF CBM"
30 "BILL MENSCH",1945,"HARDWARE"

DSAVE "CBM-PEOPLE"
EDIT OFF
```

**Example:** Using **INPUT#**:

```
10 DIM N$(100),B%(100),S$(100):
20 DOPEN#2,"CBM-PEOPLE":REM OPEN SEQ FILE
25 IF DS THEN PRINT DS$:STOP:REM OPEN ERROR
30 FOR I=0 TO 100
40 INPUT#2,N$(I),B%(I),S$(I)
50 IF ST AND 64 THEN 80:REM END OF FILE
60 IF DS THEN PRINT DS$:GOTO 80:REM DISK ERROR
70 NEXT I
80 DCLOSE#2
110 PRINT "READ";I;" RECORDS"
120 FOR J=0 TO I:PRINT N$(I):NEXT J
```

```
RUN
CHUCK PEDDLE
JACK TRAMIEL
BILL MENSCH
```

```
TYPE "CBM-PEOPLE"
"CHUCK PEDDLE",1937,"ENGINEER OF THE 6502"
"JACK TRAMIEL",1928,"FOUNDER OF CBM"
"BILL MENSCH",1945,"HARDWARE"
```

# INSTR

**Token:** \$D4

**Format:** **INSTR**(haystack, needle [, start])

**Usage:** Locates the position of the string expression **needle** in the string expression **haystack**, and returns the index of the first occurrence, or zero if there is no match.

The string expression **haystack** is searched for the occurrence of the string expression **needle**.

An enhanced version of string search using pattern matching is used if the first character of the search string is a pound sign '£'. The pound sign is not part of the search but enables the use of the '.' (dot) as a wildcard character, which matches any character. The second special pattern character is the '\*' (asterisk) character. The asterisk in the search string indicates that the preceding character may never appear, appear once, or repeatedly in order to be considered as a match.

The optional argument **start** is an integer expression, which defines the starting position for the search in **haystack**. If not present, it defaults to one.

**Remarks:** If either string is empty or there is no match the function returns zero.

**Examples:** Using **INSTR**:

```
I = INSTR("ABCDEF","CD")      : REM I = 3
I = INSTR("ABCDEF","XY")      : REM I = 0
I = INSTR("RAIIIN","£A*IN")   : REM I = 5
I = INSTR("ABCDEF","£C.E")    : REM I = 3
I = INSTR(A$+B$,C$)
```

# INT

**Token:** \$B5

**Format:** INT(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns the integer part of the argument. This function is **NOT** limited to the typical 16-bit integer range (-32768 to 32767), as it uses real arithmetic. The allowed range is therefore determined by the size of the real mantissa which is 32-bits wide (-2147483648 to 2147483647).

**Remarks:** It is not necessary to use the **INT** function for assigning real values to integer variables, as this conversion will be done implicitly, but only for the 16-bit range.

**Examples:** Using **INT**:

```
X = INT(1.9)      :REM X = 1
X = INT(-3.1)     :REM X = -3
X = INT(100000.5) :REM X = 100000
M% = INT(100000.5) :REM ?ILLEGAL QUANTITY ERROR
```

# JOY

**Token:** \$CF

**Format:** JOY(port)

**Usage:** Returns the state of the joystick for the selected controller port (1 or 2). Bit 7 contains the state of the fire button. The stick can be moved in eight directions, which are numbered clockwise starting at the upper position.

	Left	Centre	Right
Up	8	1	2
Centre	7	0	3
Down	6	5	4

**Example:** Using JOY:

```
10 N = JOY(1)
20 IF N AND 128 THEN PRINT "FIRE! ";
30 REM          N NE E SE S SW W NW
40 ON N AND 15 GOSUB 100,200,300,400,500,600,700,800
50 GOTO 10
100 PRINT "GO NORTH" :RETURN
200 PRINT "GO NORTHEAST":RETURN
300 PRINT "GO EAST" :RETURN
400 PRINT "GO SOUTHEAST":RETURN
500 PRINT "GO SOUTH" :RETURN
600 PRINT "GO SOUTHWEST":RETURN
700 PRINT "GO WEST" :RETURN
800 PRINT "GO NORTHWEST":RETURN
```

# KEY

**Token:** \$F9

**Format:** **KEY**  
**KEY** <**ON** | **OFF**>  
**KEY** <**LOAD** | **SAVE**> filename  
**KEY** number, string

**Usage:** Reads the state of the function keys. The function keys can either send their key code when pressed, or a string assigned to the key. After power up or reset this feature is activated and the keys have their default assignments.

**KEY** list current assignments.

**KEY ON** switch on function key strings. The keys will send assigned strings if pressed.

**KEY OFF** switch off function key strings. The keys will send their character code if pressed.

**KEY LOAD** loads key definitions from file.

**KEY SAVE** saves key definitions to file.

**KEY number, string** assigns the string to the key with the given number.

Default assignments:

```

KEY
KEY 1,CHR$(27)+"X"
KEY 2,CHR$(27)+"O"
KEY 3,"DIR"+CHR$(13)
KEY 4,"DIR "+CHR$(34)+"*=PR6"+CHR$(34)+CHR$(13)
KEY 5,"U"
KEY 6,"KEY6"+CHR$(141)
KEY 7,"L"
KEY 8,"MONITOR"+CHR$(13)
KEY 9,"W"
KEY 10,"KEY10"+CHR$(141)
KEY 11,"U"
KEY 12,"KEY12"+CHR$(141)
KEY 13,CHR$(27)+"O"
KEY 14,"U"+CHR$(27)+"O"
KEY 15,"HELP"+CHR$(13)
KEY 16,"RUN "+CHR$(34)+"*"+CHR$(34)+CHR$(13)

```

**Remarks:** The sum of the lengths of all assigned strings must not exceed 240 characters. Special characters such as RETURN or QUOTE are entered using their codes with the **CHR\$** function. Refer to **CHR\$** on page 45 for more information.

**Examples:** Using **KEY**:

```

KEY ON           :REM ENABLE FUNCTION KEYS
KEY OFF         :REM DISABLE FUNCTION KEYS
KEY             :REM LIST ASSIGNMENTS
KEY 2,"PRINT n"+CHR$(14) :REM ASSIGN PRINT PI TO F2
KEY SAVE "MY KEY SET" :REM SAVE CURRENT DEFINITIONS TO FILE
KEY LOAD "ELEVEM-SET" :REM LOAD DEFINITIONS FROM FILE

```

# LEFT\$

**Token:** \$C8

**Format:** LEFT\$(string, n)

**Usage:** Returns a string containing the first **n** characters from the argument **string**. If the length of **string** is equal to or less than **n**, the resulting string will be identical to the argument string.

**string** a string expression.

**n** a numeric expression (0-255).

**Remarks:** Empty strings and zero length strings are legal values.

**Example:** Using LEFT\$:

```
PRINT LEFT$("MEGA-65", 4)
MEGA
```

# LEN

**Token:** \$C3

**Format:** LEN(string)

**Usage:** Returns the length of a string.

**string** a string expression.

**Remarks:** There is no terminating character, as opposed to other programming languages such as C, which uses the NULL character. The length of the string is internally stored in an extra byte of the string descriptor.

**Example:** Using **LEN**:

```
PRINT LEN("MEGA-85"+CHR$(13))  
8
```

# LET

**Token:** \$88

**Format:** [LET] variable = expression

**Usage:** Assigns values (or results of expressions) to variables.

**Remarks:** The **LET** statement is obsolete and not required. Assignment to variables can be done without using **LET**, but it has been left in BASIC 65 for backwards compatibility.

**Examples:** Using **LET**:

```
LET A=5 :REM LONGER AND SLOWER  
A=5 :REM SHORTER AND FASTER
```

# LINE

**Token:** \$E5

**Format:** **LINE** xbeg, ybeg [, xnext1, ynext1 ...]

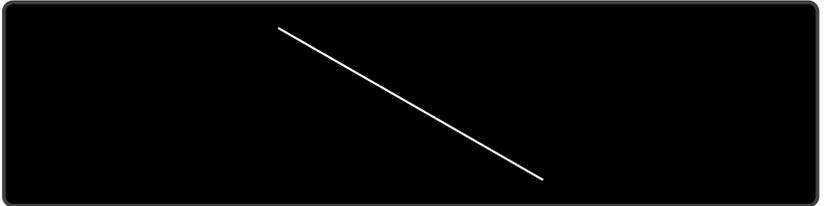
**Usage:** Draws a pixel at (xbeg/ybeg), if only one coordinate pair is given.

If more than one pair is defined, a line is drawn on the current graphics screen from the coordinate (xbeg/ybeg) to the next coordinate pair(s).

All currently defined modes and values of the graphics context are used.

**Example:** Using **LINE**:

```
1 REM SCREEN EXAMPLE 1
10 SCREEN 320,200,2 :REM SCREEN #0 320 X 200 X 2
20 PEN 1 :REM DRAWING PEN COLOR 1 (WHITE)
30 LINE 25,25,295,175 :REM DRAW LINE
40 GETKEY AS :REM WAIT FOR KEYPRESS
50 SCREEN CLOSE :REM CLOSE SCREEN AND RESTORE PALETTE
```



# LINE INPUT#

**Token:** \$E5 \$84

**Format:** **LINE INPUT#** channel, variable [, variable ...]

**Usage:** Reads one record per variable from an input device, (such as a disk drive) and assigns the read data to the variable. The records must be terminated by a **RETURN** character, which will not be copied to the string variable. Therefore, an empty line consisting of only the **RETURN** character will result in an empty string being assigned.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

**variable list** list of one or more variables, that receive the input.

**Remarks:** Only string variables or string array elements can be used in the variable list. Unlike other INPUT commands, **LINE INPUT#** does not interpret or remove quote characters in the input. They are accepted as data, as all other characters.

Records must not be longer than the input buffer, which is 160 characters.

**Example:** Using **LINE INPUT#**:

```
10 DIM N$(100)
20 DOPEN#2,"DATA"
30 FOR I=0 TO 100
40 LINE INPUT#2,N$(I)
50 IF ST=64 THEN 80:REM END OF FILE
60 IF DS THEN PRINT DS$:GOTO 80:REM DISK ERROR
70 NEXT I
80 DCLOSE#2
110 PRINT "READ";I;" RECORDS"
```

# LIST

**Token:** \$9B

**Format:** LIST [P] [line range]

**Usage:** Used to list a range of lines from the BASIC program.

**line range** consists of the first and/or last line to list, or a single line number. If the first number is omitted, the first BASIC line is assumed. If the second number is omitted, the last BASIC line is assumed.

**Format:** LIST [P] filename [,U unit]

**Usage:** Used to list a BASIC program directly from **unit**, which by default is 8.

**Remarks:** The optional parameter **P** enables page mode. After listing 24 lines, the listing will stop and display the prompt [MORE] at the bottom of the screen. Pressing **Q** quits page mode, while any other key triggers the listing of the next page.

**LIST** output can be redirected to other devices via **CMD**.

The keys **F9** and **F11**, or **Ctrl P** and **Ctrl V** scroll a BASIC listing on screen up or down.

**Examples:** Using **LIST**

```
LIST 100      :REM LIST LINE 100
LIST 240-350  :REM LIST ALL LINES FROM 240 TO 350
LIST 500-     :REM LIST FROM 500 TO END
LIST -70     :REM LIST FROM START TO 70
LIST "DEMO"   :REM LIST FILE "DEMO"
LIST P       :REM LIST PROGRAM IN PAGE MODE
LIST P "MURX" :REM LIST FILE "MURX" IN PAGE MODE
```

# LOAD

**Token:** \$93

**Format:** **LOAD** filename [, unit [, flag]]  
**LOAD** "\$[pattern=type]" [, **unit**]  
**LOAD** "\$\${pattern=type}" [, **unit**]  
/ filename [, unit [, flag]]

**Usage:** The first form loads a file of type **PRG** into memory reserved for BASIC programs.

The second form loads a directory into memory, which can then be viewed with **LIST** or **LISTP**. It is structured like a BASIC program, but file sizes are displayed instead of line numbers.

The third form is similar to the second one, but the files are numbered. This listing can be scrolled like a BASIC program with the keys **F9** or **F11**, edited, listed, saved or printed.

A filter can be applied by specifying a pattern or a pattern and a type. The asterisk matches the rest of the name, while the ? matches any single character. The type specifier can be a character of (P,S,U,R), that is Program, Sequential, User, or Relative file.

A common use of the shortcut symbol / is to quickly load **PRG** files. To do this:

1. Print a disk directory using either **DIR**, or **CATALOG**.
2. Move the cursor to the desired line.
3. type / in the first column of the line, and press **RETURN**.

After pressing **RETURN**, the listed file on the line with the leading / will be loaded. Characters before and after the file name double quotes (") will be ignored. This applies to **PRG** files only.

**filename** is either a quoted string, e.g. "PRG", or a string expression.

The unit number is optional. If not present, the default disk device is assumed.

If **flag** has a non-zero value, the file is loaded to the address which is read from the first two bytes of the file. Otherwise, it is loaded to the start of BASIC memory and the load address in the file is ignored.

**Remarks:** **LOAD** loads files of type **PRG** into RAM bank 0, which is also used for BASIC program source.

**LOAD "\*"** can be used to load the first **PRG** from the given **unit**.

**LOAD "\$"** can be used to load the list of files from the given **unit**. When using **LOAD "\$"**, **LIST** can be used to print the listing to screen.

**LOAD** is implemented in BASIC 65 to keep it backwards compatible with BASIC V2.

The shortcut symbol **/** can only be used in direct mode.

By default the C64 uses **unit** 1, which is assigned to datasette tape recorders connected to the cassette port. However the MEGA65 uses **unit** 8 by default, which is assigned to the internal disk drive. This means you don't need to add **,8** to **LOAD** commands that use it.

**Examples:** Using **LOAD**

```
LOAD "APOCALYPSE" :REM LOAD A FILE CALLED APOCALYPSE TO BASIC MEMORY
LOAD "MEGA TOOLS",9 :REM LOAD A FILE CALLED "MEGA TOOLS" FROM UNIT 9 TO BASIC MEMORY
LOAD "*",8,1 :LOAD THE FIRST FILE ON UNIT 8 TO RAM AS SPECIFIED IN THE FILE

LOAD "$" :REM LOAD WHOLE DIRECTORY - WITH FILE SIZES
LOAD "$$" :REM LOAD WHOLE DIRECTORY - SCROLLABLE
LOAD "$$X*=P" :REM DIRECTORY, WITH PRG FILES STARTING WITH 'X'
```

# LOADIFF

**Token:** \$FE \$43

**Format:** **LOADIFF** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Loads an IFF file into graphics memory. The IFF (Interchange File Format) is supported by many different applications and operating systems. **LOADIFF** assumes that files contain bitplane graphics which fit into the MEGA65 graphics memory. Supported resolutions are:

Width	Height	Bitplanes	Colours	Memory
320	200	max. 8	max. 256	max. 64 K
640	200	max. 8	max. 256	max. 128 K
320	400	max. 8	max. 256	max. 128 K
640	400	max. 4	max. 16	max. 128 K

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** Tools are available to convert popular image formats to IFF. These tools are available on several operating systems, such as AMIGA OS, macOS, Linux, and Windows. For example, **ImageMagick** is a free graphics package that includes a tool called **convert**, which can be used to create IFF files in conjunction with the **ppmtoilbm** tool from the **Netbpm** package.

To use **convert** and **ppmtoilbm** for converting a JPG file to an IFF file on Linux:

```
convert <myImage.jpg> <myImage.ppm>
ppmtoilbm -aga <myImage.ppm> > <myImage.iff>
```

**Example:** Using **LOADIFF**

```
100 BANK128:SCNCLR
110 REM DISPLAY PICTURES IN 320 X 200 X 7 RESOLUTION
120 GRAPHIC CLR:SCREEN DEF 0,0,0,7:SCREEN OPEN 0:SCREEN SET 0,0
130 FORI=1T07: READF$
140 LOADIFF(F$+".IFF"):SLEEP 4:NEXT
150 DATA ALIEN,BEAKER,JOKER,PICARD,PULP,TROOPER,RIPLY
160 SCREEN CLOSE 0
170 PALETTE RESTORE
```

# LOCK

**Token:** \$FE \$50

**Format:** **LOCK** filename/pattern [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Used to lock files. The specified file or a set of files, that matches the pattern, is locked and cannot be deleted with the commands **DELETE**, **ERASE** or **SCRATCH**.

The command **UNLOCK** removes the lock.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** In direct mode the number of locked files is printed. The second to last number from the message contains the number of locked files,

**Examples:** Using **LOCK**

```
LOCK "DRM",09 :REM LOCK FILE DRM ON UNIT 9
03,FILES LOCKED,01,00
LOCK "BS*" :REM LOCK ALL FILES BEGINNING WITH "BS"
03,FILES LOCKED,04,00
```

# LOG

**Token:** \$BC

**Format:** LOG(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Computes the value of the natural logarithm of the argument. The natural logarithm uses Euler's number (**2.71828183**) as base, not 10 which is typically used in log functions on a pocket calculator.

**Remarks:** The log function with base 10 can be computed by dividing the result by  $\log(10)$ .

**Example:** Using LOG

```
PRINT LOG(1)
0

PRINT LOG(0)
?ILLEGAL QUANTITY ERROR

PRINT LOG(4)
1.38629436

PRINT LOG(100) / LOG(10)
2
```

# LOG10

**Token:** \$CE \$08

**Format:** **LOG10**(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Computes the value of the decimal logarithm of the argument. The decimal logarithm uses 10 as base.

**Example:** Using **LOG10**

```
PRINT LOG10(1)
0

PRINT LOG10(0)
?ILLEGAL QUANTITY ERROR

PRINT LOG10(5)
0.69897

PRINT LOG10(100);LOG10(10);LOG10(1);LOG10(0.1);LOG10(0.01)
2 1 0 -1 -2
```

# LOOP

**Token:** \$EC

**Format:** **DO ... LOOP**  
**DO** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]  
... statements [**EXIT**]  
**LOOP** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]

**Usage:** **DO** and **LOOP** define the start of a BASIC loop. Using **DO** and **LOOP** alone without any modifiers creates an infinite loop, which can only be exited by the **EXIT** statement. The loop can be controlled by adding **UNTIL** or **WHILE** after the **DO** or **LOOP**.

**Remarks:** **DO** loops may be nested. An **EXIT** statement only exits the current loop.

**Examples:** Using **DO** and **LOOP**

```
10 PW$="":DO
20 GET A$:PW$=PW$+A$
30 LOOP UNTIL LEN(PW$)>7 OR A$=CHR$(13)

10 DO : REM WAIT FOR USER DECISION
20 GET A$
30 LOOP UNTIL A$="Y" OR A$="N" OR A$="y" OR A$="n"

10 DO WHILE ABS(EPS) > 0.001
20 GOSUB 2000 : REM ITERATION SUBROUTINE
30 LOOP

10 I%=0 : REM INTEGER LOOP 1-100
20 DO I%=I%+1
30 LOOP WHILE I% < 101
```

# LPEN

**Token:** \$CE \$04

**Format:** LPEN(coordinate)

**Usage:** This function requires the use of a CRT monitor (or TV), and a light pen. It will not work with an LCD or LED screen. The light pen must be connected to port 1.

**LPEN(0)** returns the X position of the light pen, the range is 60-320.

**LPEN(1)** returns the Y position of the light pen, the range is 50-250.

**Remarks:** The X resolution is two pixels, therefore **LPEN(0)** only returns even numbers. A bright background colour is needed to trigger the light pen. The **COLLISION** statement may be used to enable an interrupt handler.

**Example:** Using LPEN

```
PRINT LPEN(0),LPEN(1) :REM PRINT LIGHT PEN COORDINATES
```

# MEM

**Token:** \$FE \$23

**Format:** MEM mask4,mask5

**Usage:** **mask4** and **mask5** are byte values, that are interpreted as mask of 8 bits. Each bit set to 1 reserves an 8K segment of memory in bank 4 for the first argument and in bank 5 for the second argument..

bit	memory segment
0	\$0000 - \$1FFF
1	\$2000 - \$3FFF
2	\$4000 - \$5FFF
3	\$6000 - \$7FFF
4	\$8000 - \$9FFF
5	\$A000 - \$BFFF
6	\$C000 - \$DFFF
7	\$E000 - \$FFFF

**Remarks:** After reserving memory with **MEM** the graphics library will not use the reserved areas, so it can be used for other purposes. Access to bank 4 and 5 is possible with the commands **PEEK**, **PEEKW**, **POKE**, **POKEW** and **EDMA**.

If a graphics screen cannot be opened, because the remaining memory is not sufficient, the program stops with a ?OUT OF MEMORY ERROR.

**Example:** Using **MEM**

```
10 MEM 1,3 :REM RESERVE $40000 - $41FFF AND $50000 - $53FFF
20 SCREEN 320,200 :REM SCREEN WILL NOT USE RESERVED SEGMENTS
40 EDMA 3,$2000,0,$4000:REM FILL SEGMENT WITH ZEROES
```

# MERGE

**Token:** \$E6

**Format:** **MERGE** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** **MERGE** loads a BASIC program file from disk and appends it to the program in memory.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** The load address, which is stored in the first two bytes of the file is ignored. The loaded program does not replace a program in memory (which is what **DLOAD** does), but is appended to a program in memory. After loading, the program is re-linked and ready to run or edit.

It is the user's responsibility to ensure that there are no line number conflicts among the program in memory and the merged program. The first line number of the merged program must be greater than the last line number of the program in memory.

**Example:** Using **MERGE**

```
DLOAD "MAIN PROGRAM"  
MERGE "LIBRARY"
```

# MID\$

**Token:** \$CA

**Format:** MID\$(string, index, n)  
MID\$(string, index, n) = string expression

**Usage:** MID\$ can be used either as a function which returns a string, or as a statement for inserting sub-strings into an existing string.

**string** a string expression.

**index** start index (0-255).

**n** length of sub-string (0-255).

**Remarks:** Empty strings and zero lengths are legal values.

**Example:** Using MID\$:

```
10 A$ = "MEGA-65"  
20 PRINT MID$(A$,3,4)  
30 MID$(A$,5,1) = "+"  
40 PRINT A$  
RUN  
GA-6  
MEGA+65
```

# MKDIR

**Token:** \$FE \$5 1

**Format:** **MKDIR** dirname ,**L** size [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Make (create) a subdirectory on a floppy or D81 disk image.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**MKDIR** can only be used on units, managed by CBDOS. These are the internal floppy disk drive and SD-Card images of **D81** type. The command cannot be used on external drives connected to the serial IEC bus.

The **size** parameter specifies the number of tracks, to be reserved for the subdirectory, with one track = 40 sectors at 256 byte. The first track of the reserved range is used as directory track for the subdirectory.

The minimum size is 3 tracks, the maximum 38 tracks. There must be a contiguous region of empty tracks on the floppy (D81 image), that is large enough for the creation of the subdirectory. The error message DISK FULL is reported, if there isn't such a region.

Several subdirectories may be created as long as there are enough empty tracks.

After successful creation of the subdirectory an automatic **CHDIR** into this subdirectory is performed.

**CHDIR** "/" changes back to the root directory.

**Examples:** Using **MKDIR**

```
MKDIR "SUBDIR",L5 :REM MAKE SUBDIRECTORY WITH 5 TRACKS
DIR
0 "SUBDIR " 10
160 BLOCKS FREE.
```

# MOD

**Token:** \$NN

**Format:** **MOD**(dividend, divisor)

**Usage:** The **MOD** function returns the remainder of the division.

**Remarks:** In other programming languages such as C, this function is implemented as an operator (%). In BASIC 65 it is implemented as a function.

**Example:** Using **MOD**:

```
FOR I = 0 TO 8: PRINT MOD(I,4);: NEXT I
0 1 2 3 0 1 2 3 0
```

# MONITOR

**Token:** \$FA

**Format:** **MONITOR**

**Usage:** Calls the machine language monitor program, which is mainly used for debugging.

**Remarks:** Using the **MONITOR** requires knowledge of the CSG4510 / 6502 / 6510 CPU, the assembly language they use, and their architectures. More information on the **MONITOR** is available in *the MEGA65 Book*, Enhanced Machine Language Monitor (section K).

To exit the monitor press **X**.

Help text can be displayed with either **?** or **H**.

**Example:** Using **MONITOR**

MONITOR

```
BS MONITOR COMMANDS:ABCDEFCHIJRUXE.>?#*%?'LSU
PC SR AC AR DR ZW BF SP NWEBDIZC
: 00FAE 00 00 00 00 00 01F8 -----
ASSEMBLE - A ADDRESS MNEMONIC OPERAND
BITNARS - B [FROM]
COMPARE - C FROM TO WITH
DISASSEMBLE - D [FROM] [TO]
FILL - F FROM TO FILLBYTE
GO - G [ADDRESS]
HUNT - H FROM TO (STRING OR BYTES)
JSR - J ADDRESS
LOAD - L FILENAME [UNIT [ADDRESS]]
MEMORY - M [FROM] [TO]
REGISTERS - R
SAVE - S FILENAME UNIT FROM TO
TRANSFER - T FROM TO TARGET
VERIFY - V FILENAME [UNIT [ADDRESS]]
EXIT - X
(.DOT) - . ADDRESS MNEMONIC OPERAND
>(GREATER) - > ADDRESS BYTE SEQUENCE
;(SEMICOLON) - ; REGISTER CONTENTS
@DOS - @ [DOS COMMAND]
?HELP - ?
```

# MOUNT

**Token:** \$FE \$49

**Format:** **MOUNT** filename [,U unit]

**Usage:** Mount a floppy image file of type **D81** from SD-Card to unit 8 (default) or unit 9.

If no argument is given, **MOUNT** assigns the real floppy drive of the MEGA65 to unit 8.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **MOUNT** can be used either in direct mode or in a program. It searches the file on the SD-card and mounts it, as requested, on unit 8 or 9. After mounting the floppy image can be used as usual with all DOS commands.

**Examples:** Using **MOUNT**

```
MOUNT "APOCALYPSE.D81" ;REM MOUNT IMAGE TO UNIT 8
MOUNT "BASIC.D81",U9 :REM MOUNT IMAGE TO UNIT 9
MOUNT (FI$),U(UN%) :REM MOUNT WITH VARIABLE ARGUMENTS
MOUNT :REM SELECT REAL FLOPPY DRIVE
```

# MOUSE

**Token:**        \$FE \$3E

**Format:**        **MOUSE ON** [{, port, sprite, pos}]  
**MOUSE OFF**

**Usage:**        Enables the mouse driver and connects the mouse at the specified port with the mouse pointer sprite.

**port** mouse port 1, 2 (default) or 3 (both).

**sprite** sprite number for mouse pointer (default 0).

**pos** initial mouse position (x,y).

**MOUSE OFF** disables the mouse driver and frees the associated sprite.

**Remarks:**    The "hot spot" of the mouse pointer is the upper left pixel of the sprite.

**Examples:**    Using **MOUSE**:

```
REM LOAD DATA INTO SPRITE #0 BEFORE USING IT
MOUSE ON, 1        :REM ENABLE  MOUSE WITH SPRITE #0
MOUSE OFF         :REM DISABLE MOUSE
```

# MOVSPR

**Token:** \$FE \$06

**Format:** **MOVSPR** number, position

**Usage:** Moves a sprite on screen. Each **position** argument consists of two 16-bit values, which specify either an absolute coordinate, a relative coordinate, an angle, or a speed. The value type is determined by a prefix:

- **+value** relative coordinate: positive offset.
- **-value** relative coordinate: negative offset.
- **#value** speed.

If no prefix is given, the absolute coordinate or angle is used.

Therefore, the position argument can be used to either:

- set the sprite to an absolute position on screen.
- specify a displacement relative from the current position.
- trigger a relative movement from a specified position.
- describe movement with an angle and speed starting from the current position.

**MOVSPR number, position** is used to set the sprite immediately to the position or, in the case of an angle#speed argument, describe its further movement.

**Format:** **MOVSPR** number, start-position **TO** end-position, speed

**Usage:** Places the sprite at the start position, defines the destination position, and the speed of movement. The sprite is placed at the start position, and will move in a straight line to the destination at the given speed. Coordinates must be absolute or relative. The movement is controlled by the BASIC interrupt handler and happens concurrently with the program execution.

**number** sprite number (0-7).

**position** x,y | xrel,y | x,yrel | xrel,yrel | angle#speed.

**x** absolute screen coordinate pixel.

**y** absolute screen coordinate pixel.

**xrel** relative screen coordinate pixel.

**yrel** relative screen coordinate pixel.

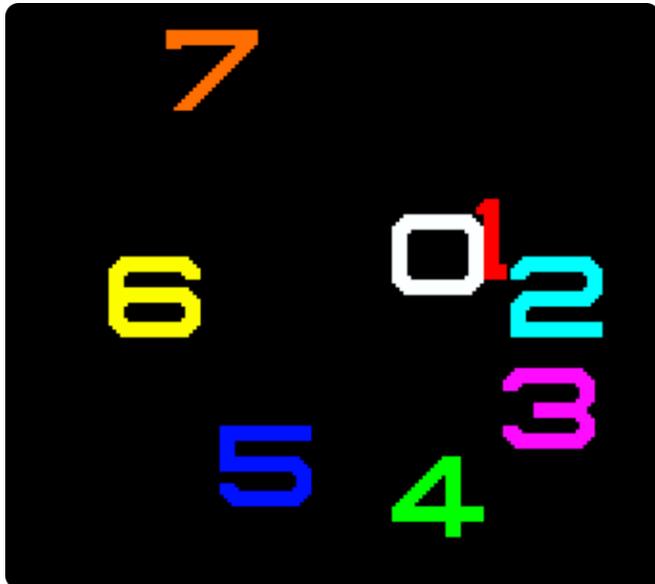
**angle** compass direction for sprite movement [degrees]. 0: up, 90: right, 180: down, 270: left, 45 upper right, etc.

**speed** speed of movement, configured as a floating point number in the range of 0.0-127.0, in pixels per frame. PAL has 50 frames per second whereas NTSC has 60 frames per second. A speed value of 1.0 will move the sprite 50 pixels per second in PAL mode.

**Remarks:** The "hot spot" is the upper left pixel of the sprite.

**Example:** Using **MOVSPR**:

```
100 CLR:SCNCLR:SPRITECLR
110 BLOAD "DEMOSPRITES1",80,P1536
130 FORI=0TO7: C=I+1:SP=0.07*(I+1)
140 MOVSPRI, 160,120
145 MOVSPRI,45*IHSP
150 SPRITEI,1,C,,0,0
160 NEXT
170 SLEEP 3
180 FORI=0TO7:MOVSPR I,0#0:NEXT
```



# NEW

**Token:** \$A2

**Format:** **NEW**  
**NEW RESTORE**

**Usage:** Resets all BASIC parameters to their default values. Since **NEW** resets parameters and pointers, (but does not overwrite the address range of a BASIC program that was in memory), it is possible to recover the program. If there were no **LOAD** operations, or editing performed after **NEW**, the program can be restored with the **NEW RESTORE**.

**Examples:** Using **NEW**:

```
NEW :REM RESET BASIC  
NEW RESTORE :REM TRY TO RECOVER NEW'ED PROGRAM
```

# NEXT

**Token:** \$82

**Format:** **FOR** index = start **TO** end [**STEP** step] ... **NEXT** [index]

**Usage:** Marks the end of the BASIC loop associated with the given index variable. When a BASIC loop is declared with **FOR**, it must end with **NEXT**.

The **index** variable may be incremented or decremented by a constant value **step** on each iteration. The default is to increment the variable by 1. The index variable must be a real variable.

**start** value to initialise the index with.

**end** is checked at the end of an iteration, and determines whether another iteration will be performed, or if the loop will exit.

**step** defines the change applied to the index variable at the end of every iteration. Positive step values increment it, while negative values decrement it. It defaults to 1.0 if not specified.

**Remarks:** The **index** variable after **NEXT** is optional. If it is omitted, the variable for the current loop is assumed. Several consecutive **NEXT** statements may be combined by specifying the indexes in a comma separated list. The statements **NEXT I:NEXT J:NEXT K** and **NEXT I,J,K** are equivalent.

**Example:** Using **NEXT**

```
10 FOR D=0 TO 360 STEP 30
20 R = D * π / 180
30 PRINT D;R;SIN(R);COS(R);TAN(R)
40 NEXT D

10 DIM M(20,20)
20 FOR I=0 TO 20
30 FOR J=I TO 20
40 M(I,J) = I + 100 * J
50 NEXT J,I
```

# NOT

**Token:** \$A8

**Format:** **NOT** operand

**Usage:** Performs a bit-wise logical NOT operation on a 16-bit value. Integer operands are used as they are, whereas real operands are converted to a signed 16-bit integer (losing precision). Logical operands are converted to a 16-bit integer, using \$FFFF (decimal -1) for TRUE, and \$0000 (decimal 0) for FALSE.

Expression	Result
NOT 0	1
NOT 1	0

**Remarks:** The result is of type integer.

**Examples:** Using **NOT**

```
PRINT NOT 3
-4
PRINT NOT 64
-65
```

In most cases, **NOT** is used in **IF** statements.

```
OK = C < 256 AND C >= 0
IF (NOT OK) THEN PRINT "NOT A BYTE VALUE"
```

# OFF

**Token:** \$FE \$24

**Format:** keyword **OFF**

**Usage:** **OFF** is a secondary keyword used in combination with primary keywords, such as **COLOR**, **KEY**, and **MOUSE**.

**Remarks:** **OFF** cannot be used on its own.

**Examples:** Using **OFF**

```
COLOR OFF :REM DISABLE SCREEN COLOUR  
KEY OFF  :REM DISABLE FUNCTION KEY STRINGS  
MOUSE OFF :REM DISABLE MOUSE DRIVER
```

# ON

**Token:** \$9 1

**Format:** **ON** expression **GOSUB** line number [, line number ...]  
**ON** expression **GOTO** line number [, line number ...]  
keyword **ON**

**Usage:** **ON** calls either a computed **GOSUB** or **GOTO** statement. Depending on the result of the expression, the target for **GOSUB** and **GOTO** is chosen from the table of line addresses at the end of the statement.

When used as a secondary keyword, **ON** is used in combination with primary keywords, such as **COLOR**, **KEY**, and **MOUSE**.

**expression** is a positive numeric value. Real values are converted to integer (losing precision). Logical operands are converted to a 16-bit integer, using \$FFFF (decimal -1) for TRUE, and \$0000 (decimal 0) for FALSE.

**Remarks:** Negative values for **expression** will stop the program with an error message. The **line number list** specifies the targets for values of 1, 2, 3, etc.

An expression result of zero, or a result that is greater than the number of target lines will not do anything, and the program will continue execution with the next statement.

**Example:** Using **ON**

```
10 COLOR ON :REM ENABLE SCREEN COLOUR
20 KEY ON :REM ENABLE FUNCTION KEY STRINGS
30 MOUSE ON :REM ENABLE MOUSE DRIVER
40 N = JOY(1):IF N AND 128 THEN PRINT "FIRE! ";
60 REM          N NE E SE S SW W NW
70 ON N AND 15 GOSUB 100,200,300,400,500,600,700,800
80 GOTO 40
100 PRINT "GO NORTH" :RETURN
200 PRINT "GO NORTHEAST":RETURN
300 PRINT "GO EAST" :RETURN
400 PRINT "GO SOUTHEAST":RETURN
500 PRINT "GO SOUTH" :RETURN
600 PRINT "GO SOUTHWEST":RETURN
700 PRINT "GO WEST" :RETURN
800 PRINT "GO NORTHWEST":RETURN
```

# OPEN

**Token:** \$9F

**Format:** **OPEN** channel, first address [, secondary address [, filename]]

**Usage:** Opens an input/output channel for a device.

**channel** number, where:

- **1 <= channel <= 127** line terminator is CR.
- **128 <= channel <= 255** line terminator is CR LF.

**first address** device number. For IEC devices the unit number is the primary address. Following primary address values are possible:

Unit	Device
0	Keyboard
1	System Default
2	RS232 Serial Connection
3	Screen
4-7	IEC Printer and Plotter
8-31	IEC Disk Drives

The **secondary address** has some reserved values for IEC disk units, 0: load, 1: save, 15: command channel. The values 2-14 may be used for disk files.

**filename** is either a quoted string, e.g. "DATA" or a string expression. The syntax is different to **DOPEN#**, since the **filename** for **OPEN** includes all file attributes, for example: "0:DATA,S,W".

**Remarks:** For IEC disk units the usage of **DOPEN#** is recommended.

If the first character of the filename is an at sign '@', it is interpreted as a "save and replace" operation. It is not recommended to use this option on 1541 and 1571 drives, as they contain a "save and replace bug" in their DOS.

**Example:** Using **OPEN**

```
OPEN 4,4 :REM OPEN PRINTER
CMD 4 :REM REDIRECT STANDARD OUTPUT TO 4
LIST :REM PRINT LISTING ON PRINTER DEVICE 4
OPEN 3,8,3,"0:USER FILE,U"
OPEN 2,9,2,"0:DATA,S,W"
```

# OR

**Token:** \$B0

**Format:** operand **OR** operand

**Usage:** Performs a bit-wise logical OR operation on two 16-bit values. Integer operands are used as they are. Real operands are converted to a signed 16-bit integer (losing precision). Logical operands are converted to a 16-bit integer using \$FFFF (decimal -1) for TRUE, and \$0000 (decimal 0), for FALSE.

Expression	Result
0 OR 0	0
0 OR 1	1
1 OR 0	1
1 OR 1	1

**Remarks:** The result is of type integer. If the result is used in a logical context, the value of 0 is regarded as FALSE, and all other non-zero values are regarded as TRUE.

**Example:** Using **OR**

```
PRINT 1 OR 3
3
PRINT 128 OR 64
192
```

In most cases, **OR** is used in **IF** statements.

```
IF (C < 0 OR C > 255) THEN PRINT "NOT A BYTE VALUE"
```

# PAINT

**Token:** \$DF

**Format:** **PAINT** x, y, mode [, region border colour]

**Usage:** Performs a flood fill of an enclosed graphics area using the current pen colour.

**x, y** is a coordinate pair, which must lie inside the area to be painted.

**mode** specifies the paint mode:

- **0** The colour of pixel (x,y) defines the colour, which is replaced by the pen colour.
- **1** The **region border colour** defines the region to be painted with the pen colour.
- **2** Paint the region connected to pixel (x,y).

**region border colour** defines the colour index for mode 1.

**Example:** Using **PAINT**

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,2 :REM OPEN SCREEN
20 PALETTE 0,1,10,15,10 :REM COLOUR 1 TO LIGHT GREEN
30 PEN 1 :REM SET DRAWING PEN (PEN 0) TO LIGHT GREEN (1)
40 LINE 160,0,240,100 :REM 1ST. LINE
50 LINE 240,100,80,100 :REM 2ND. LINE
60 LINE 80,100,160,0 :REM 3RD. LINE
70 PAINT 160,10 :REM FILL TRIANGLE WITH PEN COLOUR
80 GETKEY A$ :REM WAIT FOR KEY
90 SCREEN CLOSE :REM END GRAPHICS
```

# PALETTE

**Token:** \$FE \$34

**Format:** **PALETTE** screen, colour, red, green, blue  
**PALETTE COLOR** colour, red, green, blue  
**PALETTE RESTORE**

**Usage:** **PALETTE** can be used to change an entry of the system colour palette, or the palette of a screen.

**PALETTE RESTORE** resets the system palette to the default values.

**screen** screen number (0-3).

**COLOR** keyword for changing system palette.

**colour** index to palette (0-255).

**red** red intensity (0-15).

**green** green intensity (0-15).

**blue** blue intensity (0-15).

**Example:** Using **PALETTE**

```
10 REM CHANGE SYSTEM COLOUR INDEX
20 REM --- INDEX 9 (BROWN) TO (DARK BLUE)
30 PALETTE COLOR 9,0,0,7
```

```
10 GRAPHIC CLR      :REM INITIALISE
20 SCREEN DEF 1,0,0,2 :REM 320 X 200
30 SCREEN OPEN 1    :REM OPEN
40 SCREEN SET 1,1    :REM MAKE SCREEN ACTIVE
50 PALETTE 1,0, 0, 0, 0 :REM 0 = BLACK
60 PALETTE 1,1, 15, 0, 0 :REM 1 = RED
70 PALETTE 1,2, 0, 0,15 :REM 2 = BLUE
80 PALETTE 1,3, 0,15, 0 :REM 3 = GREEN
90 PEN 2             :REM SET DRAWING PEN (PEN 0) TO BLUE (2)
100 LINE 160,0,240,100 :REM 1ST. LINE
110 LINE 240,100,80,100 :REM 2ND. LINE
120 LINE 80,100,160,0   :REM 3RD. LINE
130 PAINT 160,10,0,2    :REM FILL TRIANGLE WITH BLUE (2)
140 GETKEY K$          :REM WAIT FOR KEY
150 SCREEN CLOSE 1     :REM END GRAPHICS
```

# PASTE

**Token:** \$E3

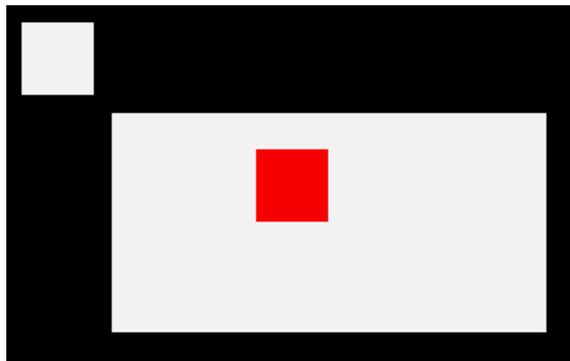
**Format:** PASTE x, y, width, height

**Usage:** PASTE is used on graphic screens and pastes the content of the cut/-copy/paste buffer into the screen. The arguments upper left position **x**, **y** and the **width** and **height** specify the paste position on the screen.

**Remarks:** The size of the rectangle is limited by the 1K size of the cut/copy/paste buffer. The memory requirement for region is width \* height \* number of bitplanes / 8. It must not equal or exceed 1024 byte. For a 4-bitplane screen for example, a 45 x 45 region needs 1012.5 byte.

**Example:** Using PASTE

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,2
20 BOX 60,60,300,180,1 :REM DRAW A WHITE BOX
30 PEN 2 :REM SELECT RED PEN
40 CUT 140,80,40,40 :REM CUT OUT A 40 * 40 REGION
50 PASTE 10,10,40,40 :REM PASTE IT TO NEW POSITION
60 GETKEY AS :REM WAIT FOR KEYPRESS
70 SCREEN CLOSE
```



# PEEK

**Token:** \$C2

**Format:** PEEK(address)

**Usage:** Returns an unsigned 8-bit value (byte) from **address**.

If the address is in the range of \$0000 to \$FFFF (0-65535), the memory bank set by **BANK** is used.

Addresses greater than or equal to \$10000 (decimal 65536) are assumed to be flat memory addresses and used as such, ignoring the **BANK** setting.

**Remarks:** Banks 0-127 give access to RAM or ROM banks. Banks greater than 127 are used to access I/O, and the underlying system hardware such as the VIC, SID, FDC, etc.

**Example:** Using PEEK

```
10 BANK 128           :REM SELECT SYSTEM BANK
20 L = PEEK($02F8)    :REM USR JUMP TARGET LOW
30 H = PEEK($02F9)    :REM USR JUMP TARGET HIGH
40 T = L + 256 * H    :REM 16-BIT JUMP ADDRESS
50 PRINT "USR FUNCTION CALLS ADDRESS";T
```

# PEEKW

**Token:**     \$C2 'W'

**Format:**    **PEEKW**(address)

**Usage:**     Returns an unsigned 16-bit value (word) read from **address** (low byte) and **address+1** (high byte).

If the address is in the range of \$0000 to \$FFFF (0-65535), the memory bank set by **BANK** is used.

Addresses greater than or equal to \$10000 (decimal 65536) are assumed to be flat memory addresses and used as such, ignoring the **BANK** setting.

**Remarks:**   Banks 0-127 give access to RAM or ROM banks. Banks greater than 127 are used to access I/O, and the underlying system hardware such as the VIC, SID, FDC, etc.

**Example:**   Using **PEEKW**

```
20 UA = PEEKW($02F8) :REM USR JUMP TARGET
50 PRINT "USR FUNCTION CALL ADDRESS";UA
```

# PEN

**Token:** \$FE \$33

**Format:** PEN [pen,] colour

**Usage:** Sets the colour of the graphic pen.

**pen** pen number (0-2):

- **0** drawing pen (default, if only single parameter provided).
- **1** off bits in jam2 mode.
- **2** currently unused.

**colour** palette index. Refer to the table under **BACKGROUND** on page 23 for the colour values and their corresponding colours.

**Remarks:** The colour selected by **PEN** will be used by all graphic/drawing commands that follow it. If you intend to set the drawing **pen** 0 to a colour, you can omit the first parameter, and only provide the **colour** parameter.

**Example:** Using **PEN**

```
10 GRAPHIC CLR :REM INITIALISE
20 SCREEN DEF 1,0,0,2 :REM 320 X 200
30 SCREEN OPEN 1 :REM OPEN
40 SCREEN SET 1,1 :REM MAKE SCREEN ACTIVE
50 PALETTE 1,0, 0, 0, 0 :REM 0 = BLACK
60 PALETTE 1,1, 15, 0, 0 :REM 1 = RED
70 PALETTE 1,2, 0, 0,15 :REM 2 = BLUE
80 PALETTE 1,3, 0,15, 0 :REM 3 = GREEN
90 PEN 1 :REM SET DRAWING PEN (PEN 0) TO RED (1)
100 LINE 160,0,240,100 :REM DRAW RED LINE
110 PEN 2 :REM SET DRAWING PEN (PEN 0) TO BLUE (2)
120 LINE 240,100,80,100 :REM DRAW BLUE LINE
130 PEN 3 :REM SET DRAWING PEN (PEN 0) TO GREEN (3)
140 LINE 80,100,160,0 :REM DRAW GREEN LINE
150 GETKEY K$ :REM WAIT FOR KEY
160 SCREEN CLOSE 1 :REM END GRAPHICS
```

# PIXEL

**Token:** \$CE \$0C

**Format:** **PIXEL**(*x*, *y*)

**Usage:** Returns the colour of a pixel at the given position.

**x** absolute screen coordinate.

**y** absolute screen coordinate.

# PLAY

**Token:** \$FE \$04

**Format:** **PLAY** [{string 1, string2, string3, string4, string5, string6}]

**Usage:** **PLAY** without any arguments will cause all voices to be silenced, and all of BASIC's music-system variables to be reset (E.g. **TEMPO**).

**PLAY** can be followed by up to six comma-separated string arguments, where each argument provides the sequence of notes and directives to be played on a specific voice on the two available SID chips, allowing for up to 6-channel polyphony.

Note that **PLAY** makes use of SID 1 (for voices 1 to 3) and SID 3 (for voices 4 to 6) of the 4 SID chips of the system. Also note that, by default, SID 1 and SID 2 are slightly right-biased and SID 3 and SID 4 are slightly left-biased (in terms of stereo sound).

A musical note is a character (A, B, C, D, E, F, or G), which may be preceded by an optional modifier.

Possible modifiers are:

Character	Effect
#	Sharp
\$	Flat
.	Dotted
H	Half Note
I	Eighth Note
Q	Quarter Note
R	Pause (rest)
S	Sixteenth Note
W	Whole Note

Embedded directives consist of a letter, followed by a digit:

Char	Directive	Argument Range
O	Octave	0 - 6
I	Instrument Envelope	0 - 9
V	Volume	0 - 9
X	Filter	0 - 1
M	Modulation	0 - 9
P	Portamento	0 - 9
L	Loop	N/A

The modulation directive will modulate your note by the magnitude you specify (1-9), or use 0 to not use it.

Similarly, the portamento directive will gently slide between consecutive notes at the speed you specify (1-9), or use 0 to not use it. Note that the gate-off behaviour of notes is disabled while portamento is enabled, and to re-enable it, you must disable portamento (P0).

Add an **L** directive (no argument needed) at the end of your string if you would like it to loop back to the beginning of your string upon completion.

You have a lot of flexibility on which voice channels you choose to play your melodies on. For instance, you may decide to use only voice 1 and voice 4 for your melody, and spare the other channels for melody-based sound effects (for simple one-shot sound effects, consider the **SOUND** command instead). Just skip the voices you're not using with **PLAY**, by leaving those arguments empty:

```
PLAY "04EDCDEEERL",,, "02CGEGCGEGL"
```

You can even call **PLAY** again to use the aforementioned unused channels, to play another melody alongside your first melody. For example, using voice 2 and voice 5 this time:

```
PLAY , "05T2T6AGFEDCEG06.QCL",,, "03T2.Q6.B 04TC03GE.QCL"
```

If you wish to assess whether a melody is playing on a voice channel, you can find out by checking the value returned from **RPLAY(voice)**, where the voice parameter is a value from 1 to 6, indicating the voice channel. It will return either 1 (playing), or 0 (not playing).

One caveat to be aware of is that BASIC strings have a maximum length of 255 bytes. If your melody needs to exceed this length, consider breaking up your melody into several strings, then use **RPLAY(voice)** to assess when your first string has finished and then play the next string.

Instrument envelope slots may be modified by using the **ENVELOPE** statement. The default settings for the envelopes are on page 97.

**Remarks:** The **PLAY** statement makes use of an interrupt driven routine that starts parsing the string and playing the melody. Program execution continues with the next statement, and will not block until the melody has finished.

The 6 voice channels used by the **PLAY** command (on SID1+SID3) are distinct to the 6 channels used by the **SOUND** command (on SID2+SID4).

**Example:** Using **PLAY**

```
5 REM *** SIMPLE LOOPING EXAMPLE ***
10 ENVELOPE 9,10,5,10,5,0,300
20 VOL 8
30 TEMPO 30
40 PLAY "05T9HCIDCDEHCG IGAGFEFDEWCL", "02T0QC6EGCGEG DBBB CGEGL"
```

```
5 REM *** MODULATION + PORTAMENTO EXAMPLE ***
10 TEMPO 20
20 M$ = "M5 T205P0QD P5FP0RP5Q6 .A1#AQA HGQE.C IDQE HFQD .DI#CQD HEQ#CQ04HA"
30 M$ = M$ + "05QDHFQ6.A1#AQA HGQE.C IDQEFED#C04B05#C D04AFD P0R L"
40 B$ = "T0QR02H.D.F.CO1.A.#A.G.A QAT02AGFE H.D.F.CO1.A.#A.A02 .D DL"
50 PLAY M$,B$
```

# POINTER

**Token:** \$CE \$OA

**Format:** **POINTER**(variable)

**Usage:** Returns the current address of a variable or an array element as a 32-bit pointer. For string variables, it is the address of the string descriptor, not the string itself. The string descriptor consists of three bytes (length, string address low, string address high).

**Remarks:** The address values of arrays and their elements are constant while the program is executing. However, the addresses of strings (not their descriptors) may change at any time due to "garbage collection".

**Example:** Using **POINTER**

```
10 BANK 0           :REM SCALARS ARE IN BANK 0
20 H$="HELLO"       :REM ASSIGN STRING TO H$
30 P=POINTER(H$)    :REM GET DESCRIPTOR ADDRESS
40 PRINT "DESCRIPTOR AT: $";HEX$(P)
50 L=PEEK(P):SP=PEEK(P+1) :REM LENGTH & STRING POINTER
60 PRINT "LENGTH = ";L :REM PRINT LENGTH
70 BANK 1           :REM STRINGS ARE IN BANK 1
80 FOR I%=0 TO L-1:PRINT PEEK(SP+I%);:NEXT:PRINT
90 FOR I%=0 TO L-1:PRINT CHR$(PEEK(SP+I%));:NEXT:PRINT

RUN
DESCRIPTOR AT: $FD75
LENGTH = 5
 72 69 76 76 79
HELLO
```

# POKE

**Token:** \$97

**Format:** **POKE** address, byte [, byte ...]

**Usage:** Writes one or more bytes into memory or memory mapped I/O, starting at **address**.

If the address is in the range of \$0000 to \$FFFF (0-65535), the memory bank set by **BANK** is used.

Addresses greater than or equal to \$10000 (decimal 65536) are assumed to be flat memory addresses and used as such, ignoring the **BANK** setting.

**byte** a value in the range of 0-255.

**Remarks:** The address is incremented for each data byte, so a memory range can be written to with a single **POKE**.

Banks greater than 127 are used to access I/O, and the underlying system hardware such as the VIC, SID, FDC, etc.

**Example:** Using **POKE**

```
10 BANK 128 :REM SELECT SYSTEM BANK
20 POKE $02F8,0,24 :REM SET USR VECTOR TO $1800
```

# POKEW

**Token:** \$97 'W'

**Format:** **POKEW** address, word [, word ...]

**Usage:** Writes one or more words into memory or memory mapped I/O, starting at **address**.

If the address is in the range of \$0000 to \$FFFF (0-65535), the memory bank set by **BANK** is used.

Addresses greater than or equal to \$10000 (decimal 65536) are assumed to be flat memory addresses and used as such, ignoring the **BANK** setting.

**word** a value from 0-65535. The first word is stored at address (low byte) and address+1 (high byte). The second word is stored at address+2 (low byte) and address+3 (high byte), etc.

**Remarks:** The address is increased by two for each data word, so a memory range can be written to with a single **POKEW**.

Banks greater than 127 are used to access I/O, and the underlying system hardware such as the VIC, SID, FDC, etc.

**Example:** Using **POKEW**

```
10 BANK 128           :REM SELECT SYSTEM BANK
20 POKEW $02F8,$1800 :REM SET USR VECTOR TO $1800
```

# POLYGON

**Token:** \$FE \$2F

**Format:** **POLYGON** x, y, xrad, yrad, sides [{, drawsides, subtend, angle, solid]}

**Usage:** Draws a regular n-sided polygon. The polygon is drawn using the current drawing context set with **SCREEN**, **PALETTE**, and **PEN**.

**x,y** centre coordinates.

**xrad,yrad** radius in x- and y-direction.

**sides** number of polygon sides.

**drawsides** sides to draw.

**subtend** draw line from centre to start (1).

**angle** start angle.

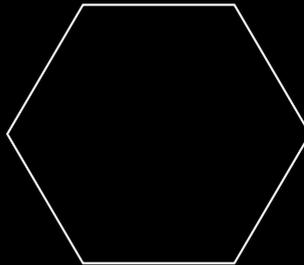
**solid** fill (1) or outline (0).

**Remarks:** A regular polygon is both isogonal and isotoxal, meaning all sides and angles are alike.

**Example:** Using **POLYGON**

```
100 SCREEN 320,200,1      :REM OPEN 320 x 200 SCREEN
110 POLYGON 160,100,40,40,6 :REM DRAW HONEYCOMB
120 GETKEY A$             :REM WAIT FOR KEY
130 SCREEN CLOSE          :REM CLOSE GRAPHICS SCREEN
```

Results in:



# POS

**Token:** \$B9

**Format:** POS(dummy)

**Usage:** Returns the cursor column relative to the currently used window.  
**dummy** a numeric value, which is ignored.

**Remarks:** POS gives the column position for the screen cursor. It will not work for redirected output.

**Example:** Using POS

```
10 IF POS(0) > 72 THEN PRINT :REM INSERT RETURN
```

# POT

**Token:** \$CE \$02

**Format:** POT(paddle)

**Usage:** Returns the position of a paddle.

**paddle** paddle number (1-4).

The low byte of the return value is the paddle value, with 0 at the clockwise limit and 255 at the anticlockwise limit.

A value greater than 255 indicates that the fire button is also being pressed.

**Remarks:** Analogue paddles are noisy and inexact. The range may be less than 0-255 and there could be some jitter in the values returned from **POT**.

**Example:** Using **POT**

```
10 X = POT(1)      : REM READ PADDLE #1
20 B = X > 255     : REM TRUE (-1) IF FIRE BUTTON IS PRESSED
30 V = X AND 255   : REM PADDLE #1 VALUE
```

# PRINT

**Token:** \$99

**Format:** **PRINT** arguments

**Usage:** Evaluates the argument list, and prints the values formatted to the current screen window. Standard formatting is used, depending on the argument type. For user controlled formatting, see **PRINT USING**.

The following argument types are evaluated:

- **numeric** the printout starts with a space for positive and zero values, or a minus sign for negative values. Integer values are printed with the necessary number of digits. Real values are printed in either fixed point form (typically 9 digits), or scientific form if the value is outside the range of 0.01 to 9999999999.
- **string** the string may consist of printable characters and control codes. Printable characters are printed at the cursor position, while control codes are executed.
- , a comma acts as a tabulator.
- ; a semicolon acts as a separator between arguments of the list. Other than the comma character, it does not insert any additional characters. A semicolon at the end of the argument list suppresses the automatic return (carriage return) character.

**Remarks:** The **SPC** and **TAB** functions may be used in the argument list for positioning. **CMD** can be used for redirection.

**Example:** Using **PRINT**

```
10 FOR I=1 TO 10 : REM START LOOP
20 PRINT I,I*I,SQR(I)
30 NEXT
```

# PRINT#

**Token:** \$98

**Format:** PRINT# channel, arguments

**Usage:** Evaluates the argument list, and prints the formatted values to the device assigned to **channel**. Standard formatting is used, depending on the argument type. For user controlled formatting, see **PRINT# USING**.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **APPEND**, **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

The following argument types are evaluated:

- **numeric** the printout starts with a space for positive and zero values, or a minus sign for negative values. Integer values are printed with the necessary number of digits. Real values are printed in either fixed point form (typically 9 digits), or scientific form if the value is outside the range of 0.01 to 9999999999.
- **string** may consist of printable characters and control codes. Printable characters are printed at the cursor position, while control codes are executed.
- , a comma acts as a tabulator.
- ; a semicolon acts as a separator between arguments of the list. Other than the comma character, it does not insert any additional characters. A semicolon at the end of the argument list suppresses the automatic return (carriage return) character.

**Remarks:** The **SPC** and **TAB** functions are not suitable for devices other than the screen.

**Example:** Using **PRINT#** to write a file to drive 8:

```
10 DOPEN#2,"TABLE",M,U8
20 FOR I=1 TO 10 : REM START LOOP
30 PRINT#2,I,I*I,SQR(I)
40 NEXT
50 DCLOSE#2
```

You can confirm that the file **'TABLE'** has been written by typing **DIR "A\*"**, and then view the contents of the file by typing **TYPE "TABLE"**.

# PRINT USING

**Token:** \$98 \$FB or \$99 \$FB

**Format:** **PRINT**[# channel,] **USING** format; argument

**Usage:** Parses the **format** string and evaluates the argument. The argument can be either a string or a numeric value. The format of the resulting output is directed by the **format** string.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **APPEND**, **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**. If no channel is specified, the output goes to the screen.

**format** string variable or a string constant which defines the rules for formatting. When using a number as the **argument**, formatting can be done in either CBM style, providing a pattern such as #####.### or in C style using a <width.precision> specifier, such as %30 %7.2F %4X .

**argument** the number to be formatted. If the argument does not fit into the format e.g. trying to print a 4 digit variable into a series of three hashes (###), asterisks will be used instead.

**Remarks:** The format string is applied for one argument only, but it is possible to append more with **USING format;argument** sequences.

**argument** may consist of printable characters and control codes. Printable characters are printed to the cursor position, while control codes are executed. The number of # characters sets the width of the output. If the first character of the format string is an equals '=' sign, the argument string is centered. If the first character of the format string is a greater than '>' sign, the argument string is right justified.

**Examples:** Using **PRINT# USING**

```
PRINT USING "###.###";a, USING " [%6.4F] ";SQR(2)
3.14 [1.4142]
```

```
PRINT USING "< # # # > ";12*31
< 3 7 2 >
```

```
PRINT USING "####"; "ABCDE"
ABC
```

```
PRINT USING ">####"; "ABCDE"
CDE
```

```
PRINT USING "ADDRESS:%4X";65000
ADDRESS:$FDE8
```

```
A$="###,###,###.#":PRINT USING A$;1E8/3
33,333,333.3
```

# RCOLOR

**Token:** \$CD

**Format:** **RCOLOR**(colour source)

**Usage:** Returns the current colour index for the selected colour source.

Colour sources are:

- **0** background colour (VIC \$D021).
- **1** text colour (\$F1).
- **2** highlight colour (\$2D8).
- **3** border colour (VIC \$D020).

**Example:** Using **RCOLOR**

```
10 C = RCOLOR(3) : REM C = colour index of border colour
```

# RCURSOR

**Token:** \$FE \$42

**Format:** **RCURSOR** {colvar, rowvar}

**Usage:** Returns the current cursor column and row.

**Remarks:** The row and column values start at zero, where the left-most column is zero, and the top row is zero.

**Example:** Using **RCURSOR**

```
100 CURSOR ON,20,10
110 PRINT "[HERE]";
120 RCURSOR X,Y
130 PRINT " COL:";X;" ROW:";Y
```

```
RUN
```

```
[HERE] COL: 26 ROW: 10
```

# READ

**Token:** \$87

**Format:** **READ** variable [, variable ...]

**Usage:** Reads values from program source into variables.

**variable list** Any legal variables.

All types of constants (integer, real, and strings) can be read, but not expressions. Items are separated by commas. Strings containing commas, colons or spaces must be put in quotes.

**RUN** initialises the data pointer to the first item of the first **DATA** statement and advances it for every read item. It is the programmer's responsibility that the type of the constant and the variable in the **READ** statement match. Empty items with no constant between commas are allowed and will be interpreted as zero for numeric variables and an empty string for string variables.

**RESTORE** may be used to set the data pointer to a specific line for subsequent readings.

**Remarks:** It is good programming practice to put large amounts of **DATA** statements at the end of the program, so they don't slow down the search for line numbers after **GOTO**, and other statements with line number targets.

**Example:** Using **READ**

```
10 READ NA$, VE
20 READ NX:FOR I=2 TO NX:READ GL(I):NEXT I
30 PRINT "PROGRAM:";NA$;" VERSION:";VE
40 PRINT "N-POINT GAUSS-LEGENDRE FACTORS E1":
50 FOR I=2 TO NX:PRINT I;GL(I):NEXT I
30 STOP
80 DATA "MEG65",1.1
90 DATA 5,0.5120,0.3573,0.2760,0.2252
```

# RECORD

**Token:** \$FE \$12

**Format:** **RECORD#** channel, record [, byte]

**Usage:** Positions the read/write pointer of a relative file.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call of commands such as **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**.

**record** target record (1-65535).

**byte** byte position in record.

**RECORD** can only be used for files of type **REL**, which are relative files capable of direct access.

**RECORD** positions the file pointer to the specified record number. If this record number does not exist and there is enough space on the disk which **RECORD** is writing to, the file is expanded to the requested record count by adding empty records. When this occurs, the disk status will give the message RECORD NOT PRESENT, but this is not an error!

After a call of **INPUT#** or **PRINT#**, the file pointer will proceed to the next record position.

**Remarks:** The Commodore disk drives have a bug in their DOS, which can destroy data by using relative files. A recommended workaround is to use the command **RECORD** twice, before and after the I/O operation.

**Example:** Using **RECORD**

```
100 DOPEN#2,"DATA BASE",L240 :REM OPEN OR CREATE
110 FOR I%=1 TO 20 :REM WRITE LOOP
120 PRINT#2,"RECORD #";I% :REM WRITE RECORD
130 NEXT I% :REM END LOOP
140 DCLOSE#2 :REM CLOSE FILE
150 :REM NOW TESTING
160 DOPEN#2,"DATA BASE",L240 :REM REOPEN
170 FOR I%=20 TO 2 STEP -2 :REM READ FILE BACKWARDS
180 RECORD#2,I% :REM POSITION TO RECORD
190 INPUT#2,A$ :REM READ RECORD
200 PRINT A$;-IF I% AND 2 THEN PRINT
210 NEXT I% :REM LOOP
220 DCLOSE#2 :REM CLOSE FILE
```

RUN

```
RECORD # 20 RECORD # 18
RECORD # 16 RECORD # 14
RECORD # 12 RECORD # 10
RECORD # 8 RECORD # 6
RECORD # 4 RECORD # 2
```

# REM

**Token:** \$8F

**Format:** **REM**

**Usage:** Marks any characters after **REM** on the same line as a comment.  
Characters after **REM** are never executed, they're ignored by BASIC.

**Example:** Using **REM**

```
10 REM *** PROGRAM TITLE ***  
20 N=1000 :REM NUMBER OF ITEMS  
30 DIM NA$(N)
```

# RENAME

**Token:** \$F5

**Format:** **RENAME** old **TO** new [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Renames a disk file.

**old** is either a quoted string, e.g. "DATA" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (F1\$).

**new** is either a quoted string, e.g. "BACKUP" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (F5\$)

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **RENAME** is executed in the DOS of the disk drive. It can rename all regular file types (**PRG**, **REL**), **SEQ**, **USR**. The old file must exist, and the new file must not exist. Only single files can be renamed, wildcard characters such as '\*' and '?' are not allowed. The file type cannot be changed.

**Example:** Using **RENAME**

```
RENAME "CODES" TO "BACKUP" :REM RENAME SINGLE FILE
```

# RENUMBER

**Token:** \$F8

**Format:** **RENUMBER** [{new, inc, range}]

**Usage:** Used to renumber all, or a range of lines of a BASIC program.

**new** new starting line of the line range to renumber. The default value is 10.

**inc** increment to be used. The default value is 10.

**range** line range to renumber. The default values are from first to last line.

**RENUMBER** executes in either space conserving mode or optimisation mode. Optimisation mode removes space characters before line numbers, thereby reducing code size and decreasing execution time, while the space conserving leaves spaces untouched. Optimisation mode is triggered by typing the first argument, (the **new** starting number), adjacent to the keyword **RENUMBER** with no space in between.

**RENUMBER** changes all line numbers in the chosen range and also changes all references in statements that use **GOSUB, GOTO, RESTORE, RUN, TRAP**, etc.

**RENUMBER** can only be executed in direct mode. If it detects a problem such as memory overflow, unresolved references or line number overflow (more than than 64000 lines), it will stop with an error message and leave the program unchanged.

**RENUMBER** may be called with 0-3 parameters. Unspecified parameters use their default values.

**Remarks:** **RENUMBER** may need several minutes to execute for large programs.

**Examples:** Using **RENUMBER**

```
RENUMBER          :REM SPACE CONSERVING, NUMBERS WILL BE 10,20,30,...
RENUMBER 100,5    :REM SPACE CONSERVING, NUMBERS WILL BE 100,105,110,115,...
RENUMBER601,1,500 :REM OPTIMISATION, RENUMBER STARTING AT 500 TO 601,602,...
RENUMBER 100,5,120-180 :REM SPACE CONSERVING RENUMBER LINES 120-180 TO 100,105,...
```

```
10 GOTO 20
20 GOTO 10
RENUMBER 100,10   :REM SPACE CONSERVING
100 GOTO 110
110 GOTO 100
RENUMBER100,10   :REM OPTIMISATION
100 GOTO110
110 GOTO100
```

# RESTORE

**Token:** \$8C

**Format:** **RESTORE** [*line*]

**Usage:** Set, or reset the internal pointer for **READ** from **DATA** statements.

**line** new position for the pointer. The default is the first program line.

**Remarks:** The new pointer target **line** does not need to contain **DATA** statements. Every **READ** will advance the pointer to the next **DATA** statement automatically.

**Example:** Using **RESTORE**

```
10 DATA 3,1,4,1,5,9,2,6
20 DATA "MEGAB5"
30 DATA 2,7,1,8,2,8,9,5
40 FOR I=1 TO 8:READ P:PRINT P:NEXT
50 RESTORE 30
60 FOR I=1 TO 8:READ P:PRINT P:NEXT
70 RESTORE 20
80 READ A$:PRINT A$
```

# RESUME

**Token:** \$D6

**Format:** **RESUME** [line | **NEXT**]

**Usage:** Used in a **TRAP** routine to resume normal program execution after handling an error.

**RESUME** with no parameters attempts to re-execute the statement that caused the error. The **TRAP** routine should have examined and corrected the issue where the error occurred.

**line** line number to resume program execution at.

**NEXT** resumes execution following the statement that caused the error. This could be the next statement on the same line (separated with a colon ':'), or the statement on the next line.

**Remarks:** **RESUME** cannot be used in direct mode.

**Example:** Using **RESUME**

```
10 TRAP 100
20 FOR I=1 TO 100
30 PRINT EXP(I)
40 NEXT
50 PRINT "STOPPED FOR I =" ; I
60 END
100 PRINT ERR$(ER): RESUME 50
```

# RETURN

**Token:** \$8E

**Format:** RETURN

**Usage:** Returns control from a subroutine, which was called with **GOSUB** or an event handler declared with **COLLISION**.

The execution continues at the statement following the **GOSUB** call.

In the case of the **COLLISION** handler, the execution continues at the statement where it left from to call the handler.

**Example:** Using **RETURN**

```
10 SCNCLR :REM CLEAR SCREEN
20 FOR I=1 TO 20 :REM DEFINE LOOP
30 GOSUB 100 :REM CALL SUBROUTINE
40 NEXT I :REM LOOP
50 END :REM END OF PROGRAM
100 CURSOR ON,I,I,0 :REM ACTIVATE AND POSITION CURSOR
110 PRINT "X"; :REM PRINT X
120 SLEEP 0.5 :REM WAIT 0.5 SECONDS
130 CURSOR OFF :REM SWITCH BLINKING CURSOR OFF
140 RETURN :REM RETURN TO CALLER
```

# RGRAPHIC

**Token:**       \$CC

**Format:**      **RGRAPHIC**(screen, parameter)

**Usage:**        Return graphic screen status and parameters

Parameter	Description
0	Open ( 1), Closed (0), or Invalid (>1)
1	Width (0=320, 1=640)
2	Height (0=200, 1=400)
3	Depth (1-8 Bitplanes)
4	Bitplanes Used (Bitmask)
5	Bank 4 Blocks Used (Bitmask)
6	Bank 5 Blocks Used (Bitmask)
7	Drawscreen # (0-3)
8	Viewscreen # (0-3)
9	Drawmodes (Bitmask)
10	pattern type (bitmask)

**Example:**     Using **RGRAPHIC**

```
10 GRAPHIC CLR       :REM INITIALISE
20 SCREEN DEF 0,1,0,4 :REM SCREEN 0:640 X 200 X 4
30 SCREEN OPEN 0     :REM OPEN
40 SCREEN SET 0,0    :REM DRAW = VIEW = 0
50 SCNCLR 0         :REM CLEAR
60 PEN 0,1           :REM SELECT COLOUR
70 LINE 0,0,639,199 :REM DRAW LINE
80 FOR I=0 TO 10:A(I)=RGRAPHIC(0,I):NEXT
90 SCREEN CLOSE 0
100 FOR I=0 TO 6:PRINT I;A(I):NEXT :REM PRINT INFO

RUN
0 1
1 1
2 0
3 4
4 15
5 15
6 15
```

# RIGHT\$

**Token:** \$C9

**Format:** RIGHT\$(string, n)

**Usage:** Returns a string containing the last **n** characters from **string**. If the length of **string** is equal or less than **n**, the result string will be identical to the argument string.

**string** a string expression.

**n** a numeric expression (0-255).

**Remarks:** Empty strings and zero lengths are legal values.

**Example:** Using RIGHT\$:

```
PRINT RIGHT$("MEGA-65",2)
65
```

# RMOUSE

**Token:** \$FE \$3F

**Format:** **RMOUSE** x variable, y variable, button variable

**Usage:** Reads mouse position and button status.

**x variable** numeric variable where the x-position will be stored.

**y variable** numeric variable where the y-position will be stored.

**button variable** numeric variable receiving button status.

left button sets bit 7, while right button sets bit 0.

Value	Status
0	No Button
1	Right Button
128	Left Button
129	Both Buttons

**RMOUSE** places -1 into all variables if the mouse is not connected or disabled.

**Remarks:** Active mice on both ports merge the results.

**Example:** Using **RMOUSE**:

```
10 MOUSE ON, 1, 1      :REM MOUSE ON PORT 1 WITH SPRITE 1
20 RMOUSE XP, YP, BU   :REM READ MOUSE STATUS
30 IF XP < 0 THEN PRINT "NO MOUSE ON PORT 1":STOP
40 PRINT "MOUSE: ";XP;YP;BU
50 MOUSE OFF          :REM DISABLE MOUSE
```

# RND

**Token:** \$BB

**Format:** RND(type)

**Usage:** Returns a pseudo random number.

This is called a "pseudo" random number, as the numbers are not *really* random. They are derived from another number called a "seed" that generates reproducible sequences. **type** determines which seed is used:

- **type = 0** use system clock.
- **type < 0** use the value of **type** as seed.
- **type > 0** derive a new random number from previous one.

**Remarks:** Seeded random number sequences produce the same sequence for identical seeds.

**Example:** Using **RND**:

```
10 DEF FNDI(X) = INT(RND(0)*6)+1 :REM DICE FUNCTION
20 FOR I=1 TO 10 :REM THROW 10 TIMES
30 PRINT I;FNDI(0) :REM PRINT DICE POINTS
40 NEXT
```

# RPALETTE

**Token:** \$CE \$0D

**Format:** RPALETTE(screen, index, rgb)

**Usage:** Returns the red, green or blue value of a palette colour index.

**screen** screen number (0-3).

**index** palette colour index.

**rgb** (0: red, 1: green, 2:blue).

**Example:** Using RPALETTE

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,4 :REM DEFINE AND OPEN SCREEN
20 R = RPALETTE(0,3,0) :REM GET RED
30 G = RPALETTE(0,3,1) :REM GET GREEN
40 B = RPALETTE(0,3,2) :REM GET BLUE
50 SCREEN CLOSE :REM CLOSE SCREEN
60 PRINT "PALETTE INDEX 3 RGB =" ;R;G;B
```

RUN

PALETTE INDEX 3 RGB = 0 15 15

# RPEN

**Token:** \$D0

**Format:** RPEN(n)

**Usage:** Returns the colour index of pen n.

n pen number (0-2), where:

- 0 draw pen.
- 1 erase pen.
- 2 outline pen.

**Example:** Using **RPEN**

```
10 GRAPHIC CLR      :REM INITIALISE
20 SCREEN DEF 0,1,0,4 :REM SCREEN 0:640 X 200 X 4
30 SCREEN OPEN 0    :REM OPEN
40 SCREEN SET 0,0   :REM DRAW = VIEW = 0
50 SCNCLR 0         :REM CLEAR
60 PEN 0,1          :REM SELECT COLOUR
70 X = RPEN(0)
80 Y = RPEN(1)
90 C = RPEN(2)
100 SCREEN CLOSE 0
110 PRINT "DRAW PEN COLOUR = ";X
RUN
DRAW PEN COLOUR = 1
```

# RPLAY

**Token:** \$FE \$OF

**Format:** RPLAY(voice)

**Usage:** Returns a value of 1 or 0, to indicate whether a melody is playing on the given voice channel or not.

**voice** the voice channel to assess, ranging from 1 to 6.

**Example:** Using RPLAY:

```
10 PLAY "04ICDEFGAB05CR","02QCBEGC01GCR"  
30 IF RPLAY(1) OR RPLAY(2) THEN GOTO 30: REM WAIT FOR END OF SONG
```

# RREG

**Token:** \$FE \$09

**Format:** **RREG** [{areg, xreg, yreg, zreg, sreg}]

**Usage:** Reads the values that were in the CPU registers after a **SYS** call, into the specified variables.

**areg** gets accumulator value.

**xreg** gets X register value.

**yreg** gets Y register value.

**zreg** gets Z register value.

**sreg** gets status register value.

**Remarks:** The register values after a **SYS** call are stored in system memory. This is how **RREG** is able to retrieve them.

**Example:** Using **RREG**:

```
10 BANK 128
20 BLOAD "ML PROG",8192
30 SYS 8192
40 RREG A,X,Y,Z,S
50 PRINT "REGISTER-";A;X;Y;Z;S
```

# RSPCOLOR

**Token:** \$CE \$07

**Format:** RSPCOLOR(n)

**Usage:** Returns multi-colour sprite colours.

**n** sprite multi-colour number:

- **1** get multi-colour # 1.
- **2** get multi-colour # 2.

**Remarks:** Refer to **SPRITE** and **SPRCOLOR** for more information.

**Example:** Using **RSPCOLOR**:

```
10 SPRITE 1,1      :REM TURN SPRITE 1 ON
20 C1% = RSPCOLOR(1) :REM READ COLOUR #1
30 C2% = RSPCOLOR(2) :REM READ COLOUR #2
```

# RSPEED

**Token:** \$CE \$OE

**Format:** **RSPEED**(n)

**Usage:** Returns the current CPU clock in MHz.

**n** numeric dummy argument, which is ignored.

**Remarks:** **RSPEED**(n) will not return the correct value if **POKE 0,65** has previously been used to enable the highest speed (40MHz).

Refer to the **SPEED** command for more information.

**Example:** Using **RSPEED**:

```
10 X=RSPEED(0) :REM GET CLOCK
20 IF X=1 THEN PRINT "1 MHZ" :GOTO 50
30 IF X=3 THEN PRINT "3,5 MHZ" :GOTO 50
40 IF X=40 THEN PRINT "40 MHZ"
50 END
```

# RSPPOS

**Token:** \$CE \$05

**Format:** RSPPOS(sprite, n)

**Usage:** Returns a sprite's position and speed

**sprite** sprite number.

**n** sprite parameter to retrieve:

- **0** X position.
- **1** Y position.
- **2** speed.

**Remarks:** Refer to the **MOVSPR** and **SPRITE** commands for more information.

**Example:** Using **RSPPOS**:

```
10 SPRITE 1,1 :REM TURN SPRITE 1 ON
20 XP = RSPPOS(1,0) :REM GET X OF SPRITE 1
30 YP = RSPPOS(1,1) :REM GET Y OF SPRITE 1
30 SP = RSPPOS(1,2) :REM GET SPEED OF SPRITE 1
```

# RSPRITE

**Token:** \$CE \$06

**Format:** **RSPRITE**(sprite, n)

**Usage:** Returns a sprite's parameter.

**sprite** sprite number (0-7).

**n** the sprite parameter to return (0-5):

- **0** turned on (0 or 1) A 0 means the sprite is off.
- **1** foreground colour (0-15).
- **2** background priority (0 or 1).
- **3** x-expanded (0 or 1). 0 means it's not expanded.
- **4** y-expanded (0 or 1). 0 means it's not expanded.
- **5** multi-colour (0 or 1). 0 means it's not multi-colour.

**Remarks:** Refer to the **MOVSPR** and **SPRITE** commands for more information.

**Example:** Using **RSPRITE**:

```
10 SPRITE 1,1      :REM TURN SPRITE 1 ON
20 EN = RSPRITE(1,0) :REM SPRITE 1 ENABLED ?
30 FG = RSPRITE(1,1) :REM SPRITE 1 FOREGROUND COLOUR INDEX
40 BP = RSPRITE(1,2) :REM SPRITE 1 BACKGROUND PRIORITY
50 XE = RSPRITE(1,3) :REM SPRITE 1 X EXPANDED ?
60 YE = RSPRITE(1,4) :REM SPRITE 1 Y EXPANDED ?
70 MC = RSPRITE(1,5) :REM SPRITE 1 MULTI-COLOUR ?
```

# RUN

**Token:** \$8A

**Format:** **RUN** [line number]  
**RUN** filename [,D drive] [,U unit]

**Usage:** Run a BASIC program.

If a filename is given, the program file is loaded into memory and run, otherwise the program that is currently in memory will be used instead.

**line number** an existing line number of the program in memory to run from.

**filename** either a quoted string, e.g. "PRG" or a string expression in brackets, e.g. (PR\$). The filetype must be **PRG**.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**RUN** first resets all internal pointers to their default values. Therefore, there will be no variables, arrays or strings defined. The run-time stack is also reset, and the table of open files is cleared.

**Remarks:** To start or continue program execution without resetting everything, use **GOTO** instead.

**Examples:** Using **RUN**

```
RUN "FLIGHTSIM" :REM LOAD AND RUN PROGRAM FLIGHTSIM
RUN 1000       :REM RUN PROGRAM IN MEMORY, START AT LINE# 1000
RUN           :REM RUN PROGRAM IN MEMORY
```

# RWINDOW

**Token:** \$CE \$09

**Format:** **RWINDOW**(n)

**Usage:** Returns information regarding the current text window.

**n** the screen parameter to retrieve:

- **0** width of current text window.
- **1** height of current text window.
- **2** number of columns on screen (40 or 80).

**Remarks:** Older versions of **RWINDOW** reported the width - 1 and the height - 1 for arguments 0 and 1.

Refer to the **WINDOW** command for more information.

**Example:** Using **RWINDOW**:

```
10 W = RWINDOW(2)      :REM GET SCREEN WIDTH
20 IF W=80 THEN BEGIN  :REM IS 80 COLUMNS MODE ACTIVE?
30   PRINT CHR$(27)+"X"; :REM YES, SWITCH TO 40COLUMNS
40 BEND
```

# SAVE

**Token:** \$94

**Format:** **SAVE** filename [, unit]  
 filename [, unit]

**Usage:** Saves a BASIC program to a file of type **PRG**.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

The maximum length of the filename is 16 characters, not counting the optional save and replace character 'e' and the in-file drive definition. If the first character of the filename is an at sign 'e', it is interpreted as a "save and replace" operation. It is not recommended to use this option on 1541 and 1571 drives, as they contain a "save and replace bug" in their DOS. The filename may be preceded by the drive number definition "0:" or "1:", which is only relevant for dual drive disk units.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to 8.

**Remarks:** **SAVE** is obsolete, implemented only for backwards compatibility. **DSAVE** should be used instead. The shortcut symbol  is next to **1**. Can only be used in direct mode.

**Examples:** Using **SAVE**

```
SAVE "ADVENTURE"  
SAVE "ZORK-I",8  
SAVE "1:DUNGEON",9
```

# SAVEIFF

**Token:** \$FE \$44

**Format:** **SAVEIFF** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Saves a picture from memory to a disk file in **IFF** format. The IFF (Interchange File Format) is supported by many different applications and operating systems. **SAVEIFF** saves the image, the palette and resolution parameters.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (F1\$). The maximum length of the filename is 16 characters. If the first character of the filename is an at sign '@' it is interpreted as a "save and replace" operation. It is not recommended to use this option on 1541 and 1571 drives, as they contain a "save and replace bug" in their DOS.

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** Files saved with **SAVEIFF** can be loaded with **LOADIFF**. Tools are available to convert popular image formats to IFF. These tools are available on several operating systems, such as AMIGA OS, macOS, Linux, and Windows. For example, **ImageMagick** is a free graphics package that includes a tool called **convert**, which can be used to create IFF files in conjunction with the **ppmtoilbm** tool from the **Netbpm** package.

**Example:** Using **SAVEIFF**

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,2      :REM SCREEN #0 320 X 200 X 2
20 PEN 1                 :REM DRAWING PEN COLOR 1 (WHITE)
30 LINE 25,25,295,175   :REM DRAW LINE
40 SAVEIFF "LINE-EXAMPLE",U8 :REM SAVE CURRENT VIEW TO FILE
50 SCREEN CLOSE         :REM CLOSE SCREEN AND RESTORE PALETTE
```

# SCNCLR

**Token:** \$E8

**Format:** **SCNCLR** [colour]

**Usage:** Clears a text window or screen.

**SCNCLR** (with no arguments) clears the current text window. The default window occupies the whole screen.

**SCNCLR colour** clears the graphic screen by filling it with the given **colour**.

**Example:** Using **SCNCLR**:

```
1 REM SCREEN EXAMPLE 2
10 GRAPHIC CLR :REM INITIALIZE
20 SCREEN DEF 1,0,0,2 :REM SCREEN #1 320 X 200 X 2
30 SCREEN OPEN 1 :REM OPEN SCREEN 1
40 SCREEN SET 1,1 :REM USE SCREEN 1 FOR RENDERING AND VIEWING
50 SCREEN CLR 0 :REM CLEAR SCREEN
60 PALETTE 1,1,15,15,15 :REM DEFINE COLOUR 1 AS WHITE
70 PEN 0,1 :REM DRAWING PEN
80 LINE 25,25,295,175 :REM DRAW LINE
90 SLEEP 10 :REM WAIT FOR 10 SECONDS
100 SCREEN CLOSE 1 :REM CLOSE SCREEN AND RESTORE PALETTE
```

# SCRATCH

**Token:** \$F2

**Format:** **SCRATCH** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit] [,**R**]

**Usage:** Used to erase a disk file.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**R** Recover a previously erased file. This will only work if there were no write operations between erasure and recovery, which may have altered the contents of the disk.

**Remarks:** **SCRATCH filename** is a synonym of **ERASE filename** and **DELETE filename**.

In direct mode the success and the number of erased files is printed. The second to last number from the message contains the number of successfully erased files,

**Examples:** Using **SCRATCH**

```
SCRATCH "DRM",U9 :REM ERASE FILE DRM ON UNIT 9
01, FILES SCRATCHED,01,00
SCRATCH "OLD*" :REM ERASE ALL FILES BEGINNING WITH "OLD"
01, FILES SCRATCHED,04,00
SCRATCH "R*=PRG" :REM ERASE PROGRAM FILES STARTING WITH 'R'
01, FILES SCRATCHED,09,00
```

# SCREEN

**Token:** \$FE \$2E

**Format:** **SCREEN** [screen,] width, height, depth  
**SCREEN CLR** colour  
**SCREEN DEF** width flag, height flag, depth  
**SCREEN SET** drawscreen, viewscreen  
**SCREEN OPEN** [screen]  
**SCREEN CLOSE** [screen]

**Usage:** There are two approaches available when preparing the screen for the drawing of graphics: a simplified approach, and a detailed approach.

## Simplified approach:

The first version of **SCREEN** (which has pixel units for width and height) is the easiest way to start a graphics screen, and is the preferred method if only a single screen is needed (i.e., a second screen isn't needed for double buffering). This does all of the preparatory work for you, and will call commands such as **GRAPHIC CLR**, **SCREEN CLR**, **SCREEN DEF**, **SCREEN OPEN** and, **SCREEN SET** on your behalf. It takes the following parameters:

**SCREEN** [screen,] width, height, depth

- **screen** the screen number (0-3) is optional. If no screen number is given, screen 0 is used. To keep this approach as simple as possible, it is suggested to use the default screen 0.
- **width** 320 or 640 (default 320)
- **height** 200 or 400 (default = 200)
- **depth** 1..8 (default = 8), colours = 2 ^depth.

The argument parser is error tolerant and uses default values for width (320) and height (200) if the parsed argument is not valid.

This version of **SCREEN** starts with a predefined palette and sets the background to black, and the pen to white, so drawing can start immediately using the default values.

On the other hand, the detailed approach will require the setting of palette colours and pen colour before any drawing can be done.

The **colour** value must be in the range of 0 to 15. Refer to the colour table under **BACKGROUND** on page 23 for the **colour** values and their corresponding colours.

When you are finished with your graphics screen, simply call **SCREEN CLOSE** [screen] to return to the text screen.

### **Detailed approach:**

The other versions of **SCREEN** perform special actions, used for advanced graphics programs that open multiple screens, or require "double buffering". If you have chosen the simplified approach, you will not require any of these versions below, apart from **SCREEN CLOSE**.

#### **SCREEN CLR** colour (or **SCNCLR** colour)

Clears the active graphics screen by filling it with **colour**.

#### **SCREEN DEF** screen, width flag, height flag, depth

Defines resolution parameters for the chosen screen. The width flag and height flag indicate whether high resolution (1) or low resolution (0) is chosen.

- **screen** screen number 0-3
- **width flag** 0-1 (0:320, 1:640 pixel)
- **height flag** 0-1 (0:200, 1:400 pixel)
- **depth** 1-8 (2 - 256 colours)

Note that the width and height values here are **flags**, and **not pixel units**.

#### **SCREEN SET** drawscreen, viewscreen

Sets screen numbers ( 0-3 ) for the drawing and the viewing screen, i.e., while one screen is being viewed, you can draw on a separate screen and then later flip between them. This is what's known as double buffering.

#### **SCREEN OPEN** screen

Allocates resources and initialises the graphics context for the selected **screen** (0-3). An optional variable name as a further argument, gets the result of the command that can be tested afterwards for success.

#### **SCREEN CLOSE** [screen]

Closes **screen** (0-3) and frees resources. If no value is given, it will default to 0. Also note that upon closing a screen, **PALETTE RESTORE** is automatically performed for you.

**Examples:** Using **SCREEN**:

```
5 REM *** SIMPLIFIED APPROACH ***
10 SCREEN 320,200,2 :REM SCREEN #0: 320 X 200 X 2
20 PEN 1 :REM DRAWING PEN COLOUR = 1 (WHITE)
30 LINE 25,25,295,175 :REM DRAW LINE
40 GETKEY AS :REM WAIT KEYPRESS
50 SCREEN CLOSE :REM CLOSE SCREEN 0 (RESTORE PALETTE)
```

```
5 REM *** DETAILED APPROACH ***
10 GRAPHIC CLR :REM INITIALISE
20 SCREEN DEF 1,0,0,2 :REM SCREEN #1: 320 X 200 X 2
30 SCREEN OPEN 1 :REM OPEN SCREEN 1
40 SCREEN SET 1,1 :REM USE SCREEN 1 FOR RENDERING AND VIEWING
50 SCREEN CLR 0 :REM CLEAR SCREEN
60 PALETTE 1,1,15,15,15 :REM DEFINE COLOUR 1 AS WHITE
70 PEN 0,1 :REM DRAWING PEN
80 LINE 25,25,295,175 :REM DRAW LINE
90 SLEEP 10 :REM WAIT 10 SECONDS
100 SCREEN CLOSE 1 :REM CLOSE SCREEN 1 (RESTORE PALETTE)
```

# SET

**Token:** \$FE \$2D

**Format:** **SET DEF** unit  
**SET DISK** old **TO** new  
**SET VERIFY** <**ON** | **OFF**>

**Usage:** **SET DEF** redefines the default unit for disk access, which is initialised to 8 by the DOS. Commands that do not explicitly specify a unit will use this default unit.

**SET DISK** is used to change the unit number of a disk drive temporarily.

**SET VERIFY** enables or disables the DOS verify-after-write mode for 3.5 drives.

**Remarks:** These settings are valid until a reset or shutdown.

**Examples:** Using **SET**:

```
DIR          :REM SHOW DIRECTORY OF UNIT 8
SET DEF 11   :REM UNIT 11 BECOMES DEFAULT
DIR          :REM SHOW DIRECTORY OF UNIT 11
DLOAD "*"    :REM LOAD FIRST FILE FROM UNIT 11
SET DISK 8 TO 9 :REM CHANGE UNIT# OF DISK DRIVE 8 TO 9
DIR U9       :REM SHOW DIRECTORY OF UNIT 9 (FORMER 8)
SET VERIFY ON :REM ACTIVATE VERIFY-AFTER-WRITE MODE
```

# SETBIT

**Token:** \$FE \$2D \$FE \$4E

**Format:** **SETBIT** address, bit number

**Usage:** Sets a single bit at the **address**.

If the address is in the range of \$0000 to \$FFFF (0-65535), the memory bank set by **BANK** is used.

Addresses greater than or equal to \$10000 (decimal 65536) are assumed to be flat memory addresses and used as such, ignoring the **BANK** setting.

The **bit number** is a value in the range of 0-7.

A bank value > 127 is used to access I/O, and the underlying system hardware such as the VIC, SID, FDC, etc.

**Example:** Using **SETBIT**

```
10 BANK 128      :REM SELECT SYSTEM MAPPING
20 SETBIT $D011,6 :REM ENABLE EXTENDED BACKGROUND MODE
30 SETBIT $D01B,0 :REM SET BACKGROUND PRIORITY FOR SPRITE 0
```

# SGN

**Token:** \$B4

**Format:** **SGN**(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Extracts the sign from the argument and returns it as a number:

- **-1** negative argument.
- **-0** zero.
- **1** positive, non-zero argument.

**Example:** Using **SGN**

```
10 ON SGN(X)+2 GOTO 100,200,300 :REM TARGETS FOR MINUS,ZERO,PLUS
20 Z = SGN(X) * ABS(Y) : REM COMBINE SIGN OF X WITH VALUE OF Y
```

# SIN

**Token:** \$BF

**Format:** **SIN**(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns the sine of the **numeric expression**. The argument is expected in units of radians. The result is in the range (-1.0 to +1.0)

**Remarks:** An argument in units of degrees can be converted to radians by multiplying it with  $\pi/180$ .

**Examples:** Using **SIN**

```
PRINT SIN(0.7)
.644217687

X=30:PRINT SIN(X *  $\pi$  / 180)
.5
```

# SLEEP

**Token:** \$FE \$0B

**Format:** **SLEEP** seconds

**Usage:** Pauses execution for the given duration. The argument is a positive floating point number. The precision is 1 microsecond.

**Remarks:** Pressing  interrupts the sleep.

**Example:** Using **SLEEP**

```
20 SLEEP 10      :REM WAIT 10 SECONDS
40 SLEEP 0.0005  :REM SLEEP 500 MICRO SECONDS
50 SLEEP 0.01    :REM SLEEP 10 MILLI SECONDS
60 SLEEP DD      :REM TAKE SLEEP TIME FROM VARIABLE DD
70 SLEEP 600     :REM SLEEP 10 MINUTES
```

# SOUND

**Token:** \$DA

**Format:** **SOUND** voice, freq, dur [{, dir, min, sweep, wave , pulse}]

**Usage:** Plays a sound effect.

**voice** voice number (1-6).

**freq** frequency (0-65535).

**dur** duration in jiffies (0-32767). The duration of a jiffy depends on the display standard. There are 50 jiffies per second with PAL, 60 per second with NTSC.

**dir** direction (0:up, 1:down, 2:oscillate).

**min** minimum frequency (0-65535).

**sweep** sweep range (0-65535).

**wave** waveform (0:triangle, 1:sawtooth, 2:square, 3:noise).

**pulse** pulse width (0-5095).

**Remarks:** **SOUND** starts playing the sound effect and immediately continues with the execution of the next BASIC statement while the sound effect is played. This enables the showing of graphics or text and playing sounds simultaneously.

Note that **SOUND** makes use of SID2 (for voices 1 to 3) and SID4 (for voices 4 to 6) of the 4 SID chips of the system. Also note that, by default, SID1 and SID2 are slightly right-biased and SID3 and SID4 are slightly left-biased (in terms of stereo sound).

The 6 voice channels used by the **SOUND** command (on SID2+SID4) are distinct to the 6 channels used by the **PLAY** command (on SID1+SID3).

**Examples:** Using **SOUND**

```
IF PEEK($D06F) AND $80 THEN J = 60 : ELSE J = 50 :REM J IS JIFFIES PER SECOND
SOUND 1, 7382, J :REM PLAY SQUARE WAVE ON VOICE 1 FOR 1 SECOND
SOUND 2, 800, J*60 :REM PLAY SQUARE WAVE ON VOICE 2 FOR 1 MINUTE
SOUND 3, 4000, 120, 2, 2000, 400, 1 :REM PLAY SWEEPING SAWTOOTH WAVE ON VOICE 3
```

# SPC

**Token:** \$A6

**Format:** **SPC**(columns)

**Usage:** Skips **columns**.

The effect is similar to pressing  **<column>** times.

**Remarks:** The name of this function is derived from **SPACES**, which is misleading. The function prints **cursor right characters**, not spaces. The contents of those character cells that are skipped will not be changed.

**Example:** Using **SPC**

```
10 FOR I=8 TO 12
20 PRINT SPC(-(I<10));I :REM TRUE = -1, FALSE = 0
30 NEXT I
RUN
 8
 9
10
11
12
```

# SPEED

**Token:** \$FE \$26

**Format:** **SPEED** [speed]

**Usage:** Set CPU clock to 1MHz, 3.5MHz or 40MHz.

**speed** CPU clock speed where:

- **1** sets CPU to 1MHz.
- **3** sets CPU to 3MHz.
- Anything other than **1** or **3** sets the CPU to 40MHz.

**Remarks:** Although it's possible to call **SPEED** with any real number, the precision part (the decimal point and any digits after it), will be ignored.

**SPEED** is a synonym of **FAST**.

**SPEED** has no effect if **POKE 0,65** has previously been used to set the CPU to 40MHz.

**Example:** Using **SPEED**

```
10 SPEED      :REM SET SPEED TO MAXIMUM (40 MHZ)
20 SPEED 1    :REM SET SPEED TO 1 MHZ
30 SPEED 3    :REM SET SPEED TO 3.5 MHZ
40 SPEED 3.5  :REM SET SPEED TO 3.5 MHZ
```

# SPRCOLOR

**Token:** \$FE \$08

**Format:** **SPRCOLOR** [{mc1, mc2}]

**Usage:** Sets multi-colour sprite colours.

**SPRITE**, which sets the attributes of a sprite, only sets the foreground colour. For setting the additional two colours of multi-colour sprites, use **SPRCOLOR** instead.

**Remarks:** The colours used with **SPRCOLOR** will affect all sprites. Refer to the **SPRITE** command for more information.

**Example:** Using **SPRCOLOR**:

```
10 SPRITE 1,1,2,,,1 :REM TURN SPRITE 1 ON (FG = 2)
20 SPRCOLOR 4,5      :REM MC1 = 4, MC2 = 5
```

# SPRITE

**Token:** \$FE \$07

**Format:** **SPRITE CLR**  
**SPRITE LOAD** filename [,D drive] [,U unit]  
**SPRITE SAVE** filename [,D drive] [,U unit]  
**SPRITE** num [{, switch, colour, prio, expx, expy, mode}]

**Usage:** **SPRITE CLR** clears all sprite data and sets all pointers and attributes to their default values.

**SPRITE LOAD** loads sprite data from **filename** to sprite memory.

**SPRITE SAVE** saves sprite data from sprite memory to **filename**.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

The last form switches a sprite on or off and sets its attributes:

**num** sprite number

**switch** 1:on, 0:off

**colour** sprite foreground colour

**prio** sprite (1) or screen (0) priority

**expx** 1:sprite X expansion

**expy** 1:sprite Y expansion

**mode** 1:multi-colour sprite

**Remarks:** **SPRCOLOR** must be used to set additional colours for multi-colour sprites (mode = 1).

**Example:** Using **SPRITE**:

```
2290 CLR:SCNCLR:SPRITE CLR
2300 SPRITE LOAD "DEMOSPRITES1"
2320 FORI=0TO7: C=I: IFC=6THENC=8
2330 MOVSPR I, 60+30*I,0 TO 60+30*I,65+20*I, 3:SPRITE I,1,C,,1,1:NEXT: SLEEP3
2340 FORI=0TO7: SPRITE I,,,,0,0 :NEXT: SLEEP3: SPRITE CLR
2350 FORI=0TO7: MOVSPR I,45*I#5 :NEXT: FORI=0TO7: SPRITE I,1: NEXT
2360 FORI=0TO7:X=60+30*I:Y=65+20*I:DO
2370 LOOPUNTIL(X=RSPP0S(I,,))AND(Y=RSPP0S(I,1)):MOVSPRI,.#:NEXT
```

# SPRSAV

**Token:** \$FE \$16

**Format:** **SPRSAV** source, destination

**Usage:** Copies sprite data.

**source** sprite number or string variable.

**destination** sprite number or string variable.

**Remarks:** Source and destination can either be a sprite number or a string variable,

**SPRSAV** can be used with the basic form of sprites (C64 compatible) only. These sprites occupy 64 bytes of memory, and create strings of length 64, if the destination parameter is a string variable.

Extended sprites and variable height sprites cannot be used with **SPRSAV**.

A string array of sprite data can be used to store many shapes and copy them fast to the sprite memory with the command **SPRSAV**.

It's also a convenient method to read or write shapes of single sprites from or to a disk file.

**Example:** Using **SPRSAV**:

```
10 SPRITE LOAD "SPRITEDATA" :REM LOAD DATA FOR 8 SPRITES
20 SPRITE 1,1 :REM TURN SPRITE 1 ON
30 SPRSAV 1,2 :REM COPY SPRITE 1 DATA TO SPRITE 2
40 SPRITE 2,1 :REM TURN SPRITE 2 ON
50 SPRSAV 1,A$ :REM SAVE SPRITE 1 DATA IN STRING A$
```

# SQR

**Token:** \$BA

**Format:** **SQR**(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns the square root of the numeric expression.

**Remarks:** The argument must not be negative.

**Example:** Using **SQR**

```
PRINT SQR(2)  
1.41421356
```

# ST

**Format:** ST

**Usage:** ST holds the status of the last I/O operation. If ST is zero, there was no error, otherwise it is set to a device dependent error code.

**Remarks:** ST is a reserved system variable.

**Example:** Using ST

```
100 MX=100:DIM T$(MX)      :REM DATA ARRAY
110 DOPEN#1,"DATA"         :REM OPEN FILE
120 IF DS THEN PRINT"COULD NOT OPEN":STOP
130 LINE INPUT#1,T$(N):N=N+1 :REM READ ONE RECORD
140 IF N>MX THEN PRINT "TOO MANY DATA":GOTO 160
150 IF ST=0 THEN 130       :REM ST = 64 FOR END-OF-FILE
160 DCLOSE#1
170 PRINT "READ";N;" RECORDS"
```

# STEP

**Token:** \$A9

**Format:** **FOR** index = start **TO** end [**STEP** step] ... **NEXT** [index]

**Usage:** **STEP** is an optional part of a **FOR** loop.

The **index** variable may be incremented or decremented by a constant value after each iteration. The default is to increment the variable by 1. The index variable must be a real variable.

**start** initial value of the index.

**end** is checked at the end of an iteration, and determines whether another iteration will be performed, or if the loop will exit.

**step** defines the change applied to to the **index** at the end of a loop iteration. Positive step values increment it, while negative values decrement it. It defaults to 1.0 if not specified.

**Remarks:** For positive increments, **end** must be greater than or equal to **start**. For negative increments, **end** must be less than or equal to **start**.

It is bad programming practice to change the value of the **index** variable inside the loop or to jump into or out of a loop body with **GOTO**.

**Example:** Using **STEP**

```
10 FOR D=0 TO 360 STEP 30
20 R = D * π / 180
30 PRINT D;R;SIN(R);COS(R);TAN(R)
40 NEXT D
```

# STOP

**Token:** \$90

**Format:** **STOP**

**Usage:** Stops the execution of the BASIC program. A message will be displayed showing the line number where the program stopped. The **READY** prompt appears and the computer goes into direct mode, waiting for keyboard input.

**Remarks:** All variable definitions are still valid after **STOP**. They may be inspected or altered, and the program may be continued with **CONT**. However, any editing of the program source will disallow any further continuation.

Program execution can be resumed with **CONT**.

**Example:** Using **STOP**

```
10 IF V < 0 THEN STOP : REM NEGATIVE NUMBERS STOP THE PROGRAM
20 PRINT SQR(V)      : REM PRINT SQUARE ROOT
```

# STR\$

**Token:** \$C4

**Format:** **STR\$(numeric expression)**

**Usage:** Returns a string containing the formatted value of the argument, as if it were **PRINT**ed to the string.

**Example:** Using **STR\$**:

```
A$ = "THE VALUE OF PI IS " + STR$(PI)
PRINT A$
THE VALUE OF PI IS 3.14159265
```

# SYS

**Token:** \$9E

**Format:** **SYS** address [{, areg, xreg, yreg, zreg, sreg}]

**Usage:** Calls a machine language subroutine. This can be a ROM-resident kernal routine or any other routine which has previously been loaded or **POKED** to RAM.

The CPU registers are loaded with the arguments (if they're specified), then a subroutine call (**JSR address**) is performed. **JSR** is an assembly language instruction that is short for **J**ump to **S**ub**R**outine. The called routine should exit with an **RTS** instruction. **RTS** is another assembly language instruction that is short for **R**eturn from **S**ubroutine. After the subroutine has returned, the register contents will be saved, and the execution of the BASIC program will continue.

**address** start address of the subroutine.

If the address value is 16 bit (\$0000 - \$FFFF), the bank value, that is currently valid (see **BANK**) is examined. A bank value of 128 lets the current mapping persist. That is: RAM is only available at the address range (\$0000 - \$1FFF), while BASIC ROM, KERNAL and I/O occupy the rest. Short machine language programs may use the address range (\$1800 - \$1FFF) which is only used by BASIC while a graphics screen is open.

If the address is higher than \$FFFF, it is interpreted as a linear 24 bit address and the value of **BANK** is ignored. The initial mapping is shown in the following table:

Range	Content
0000 - 1FFF	bank 0 with direct page, stack, vectors and interface routines
2000 - BFFF	selected RAM bank:address bits 16-23
C000 - CFFF	kernal ROM
D000 - DFFF	I/O
E000 - EFFF	editor ROM
F000 - FFFF	kernal ROM and jump table

The RAM banks 0, 1, 4 and 5 may be used on a MEGA65 with the **SYS** command. The attic RAM cannot be used for this purpose, because the 24 bit address of the **SYS command** is limited to the lower 16MB of the address range.

**areg** CPU accumulator value.

**xreg** CPU X register value.

**yreg** CPU Y register value.

**zreg** CPU Z register value.

**sreg** Status register value.

**Remarks:** The register values after a **SYS** call are stored in system memory. **RREG** can be used to retrieve these values.

The **SYS** instruction on the MEGA65 is completely different to the well known **SYS** command on the C64. It is not possible to have the BASIC ROM and a BASIC program, in the same mapping because they occupy the same address range.

Using **SYS** properly (i.e. without corrupting the system), requires some technical skill, which is out of scope of the User's Guide. However, if you would like to learn more, there is a lot more information and examples in the MEGA65 Developer's Guide.

**Example:** Using **SYS**:

```
10 REM DEMO FOR SYS:CHANGING THE BORDER COLOUR
20 BANK 0
30 POKE $4000,$EE,$20,$D0,$60 :REM INC $D020:RTS
40 SYS $4000 :REM CALL SUBROUTINE AT $4000 / BANK $00
50 GETKEY A$:IF A$ <> "Q" THEN 40
```

# TAB

**Token:** \$A3

**Format:** TAB(column)

**Usage:** Positions the cursor at **column**.

This is only done if the target column is *right* of the current cursor column, otherwise the cursor will not move. The column count starts with 0 being the left-most column.

**Remarks:** This function shouldn't be confused with , which advances the cursor to the next tab-stop.

**Example:** Using TAB

```
10 FOR I=1 TO 5
20 READ A$
30 PRINT "*" A$ TAB(10) "*"
40 NEXT I
50 END
60 DATA ONE,TWO,THREE,FOUR,FIVE
```

```
RUN
* ONE      *
* TWO      *
* THREE    *
* FOUR     *
* FIVE     *
```

# TAN

**Token:** \$C0

**Format:** TAN(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Returns the tangent of the argument. The argument is expected in units of radians. The result is in the range (-1.0 to +1.0)

**Remarks:** An argument in units of degrees can be converted to radians by multiplying it with  $\pi/180$ .

**Example:** Using TAN

```
PRINT TAN(0.7)
.84228838

X=45:PRINT TAN(X *  $\pi$  / 180)
.999999999
```

# TEMPO

**Token:** \$FE \$05

**Format:** **TEMPO** speed

**Usage:** Sets the playback speed for **PLAY**.

**speed** 1-255.

The duration (in seconds) of a whole note is computed with  $duration = 24/speed$ .

**Example:** Using **TEMPO**

```
10 VOL 8
20 FOR T = 24 TO 18 STEP -2
30 TEMPO T
40 PLAY "T0M3040G6GFED","T204M5P0H.DP5GB","T503IGAGAGAABABAB"
50 IF RPLAY(1) THEN GOTO 50
60 NEXT T
70 PLAY "T005QC046EH.C","T205IEFEDEDCEG06P8CP0R","T503ICDCDEFEDC04C"
```

# THEN

**Token:** \$A7

**Format:** IF expression **THEN** true clause [**ELSE** false clause]

**Usage:** **THEN** is part of an **IF** statement.

**expression** is a logical or numeric expression. A numeric expression is evaluated as **FALSE** if the value is zero and **TRUE** for any non-zero value.

**true clause** one or more statements starting directly after **THEN** on the same line. A line number after **THEN** performs a **GOTO** to that line instead.

**false clause** one or more statements starting directly after **ELSE** on the same line. A line number after **ELSE** performs a **GOTO** to that line instead.

**Remarks:** The standard **IF ... THEN ... ELSE** structure is restricted to a single line. But the **true clause** and **false clause** may be expanded to several lines using a compound statement surrounded with **BEGIN** and **BEND**.

**Example:** Using **THEN**

```
1 REM THEN
10 RED$=CHR$(28) : BLACK$=CHR$(144) : WHITE$=CHR$(5)
20 INPUT "ENTER A NUMBER";V
30 IF V<0 THEN PRINT RED$; : ELSE PRINT BLACK$;
40 PRINT V : REM PRINT NEGATIVE NUMBERS IN RED
50 PRINT WHITE$
60 INPUT "END PROGRAM: (Y/N)"; A$
70 IF A$="Y" THEN END
80 IF A$="N" THEN 20 : ELSE 60
```

# TI

**Format:** TI

**Usage:** TI is a high precision timer with a resolution of 1 micro second.

It is started or reset with **CLR TI**, and can be accessed in the same way as any other variable in expressions.

**Remarks:** TI is a reserved system variable. The value in TI is the number of seconds (to 6 decimal places) since it was last cleared or started.

**Example:** Using TI

```
100 CLR TI           :REM START TIMER
110 FOR I%=1 TO 10000:NEXT :REM DO SOMETHING
120 ET = TI         :REM STORE ELAPSED TIME IN ET
130 PRINT "EXECUTION TIME:";ET;" SECONDS"
```

# TI\$

**Format:** TI\$

**Usage:** TI\$ stores the time information of the RTC (Real-Time Clock) in text form, using the format: "hh:mm:ss". It is updated with every use.

TI\$ is a read-only variable, which reads the registers of the RTC and formats the values to a string.

**Remarks:** TI\$ is a reserved system variable.

It is possible to access the RTC registers directly via **PEEK**. The start address of the registers is at \$FFD7110.

For more information on how to set the Real-Time Clock, refer to the Configuration Utility section on page ??.

```
100 REM ***** READ RTC ***** ALL VALUES ARE BCD ENCODED
110 RT = $FFD7110           :REM ADDRESS OF RTC
120 FOR I=0 TO 5           :REM SS,MM,HH,DD,MO,YY
130 T(I)=PEEK(RT+I)       :REM READ REGISTERS
140 NEXT I                 :REM USE ONLY LAST TWO DIGITS
150 T(2) = T(2) AND 127    :REM REMOVE 24H MODE FLAG
160 T(5) = T(5) + $2000    :REM ADD YEAR 2000
170 FOR I=2 TO 0 STEP -1  :REM TIME INFO
180 PRINT USING ">## ";HEX$(T(I));
190 NEXT I
RUN
12 52 36
```

**Example:** Using TI\$

```
PRINT DT$,TI$
05-APR-2021 15:10:00
```

# TO

**Token:** \$A4

**Format:** keyword **TO**

**Usage:** **TO** is a secondary keyword used in combination with primary keywords, such as **BACKUP**, **BSAVE**, **CHANGE**, **CONCAT**, **COPY**, **FOR**, **GO**, **RENAME**, and **SET DISK**

**Remarks:** **TO** cannot be used on its own.

**Example:** Using **TO**

```
10 GO TO 1000 :REM AS GOTO 1000
20 GOTO 1000 :REM SHORTER AND FASTER
30 FOR I=1 TO 10 :REM TO IS PART OF THE LOOP
40 PRINT I:NEXT :REM LOOP END
50 COPY "CODES" TO "BACKUP" :REM COPY SINGLE FILE
```

# TRAP

**Token:** \$D7

**Format:** TRAP [line number]

**Usage:** TRAP with a valid line number registers the BASIC error handler. When a program has an error handler, the run-time behaviour changes. Normally, BASIC will exit the program and display an error message.

However, if a BASIC error handler has been registered, BASIC will instead save the execution pointer and line number, place the error number into the system variable **ER**, and **GOTO** the line number of **TRAP**. The trapping routine can examine **ER** and process the error. From this, the **TRAP** error handler can then decide whether to **STOP** or **RESUME** execution.

**TRAP** with no argument disables the error handler, and errors will then be handled by the normal system routines.

**Example:** Using **TRAP**

```
10 TRAP 100
20 FOR I=1 TO 100
30 PRINT EXP(I)
40 NEXT
50 PRINT "STOPPED FOR I =" ; I
60 END
100 PRINT ERR$(ER) : RESUME 50
```

# TROFF

**Token:** \$D9

**Format:** TROFF

**Usage:** Turns off trace mode (switched on by **TRON**).

**Example:** Using **TROFF**

```
10 TRON           :REM ACTIVATE TRACE MODE
20 FOR I=85 TO 100
30 PRINT I;EXP(I)
40 NEXT
50 TROFF          :REM DEACTIVATE TRACE MODE
```

```
RUN
[10][20][30] 85  8.22301268E+36
[40][30] 86  2.2352466E+37
[40][30] 87  6.0760302E+37
[40][30] 88  1.65163625E+38
[40][30] 89
?OVERFLOW ERROR IN 30
READY.
```

# TRON

**Token:** \$D8

**Format:** TRON

**Usage:** Turns on trace mode.

**Example:** Using **TRON**

```
10 TRON           :REM ACTIVATE TRACE MODE
20 FOR I=85 TO 100
30 PRINT I;EXP(I)
40 NEXT
50 TROFF         :REM DEACTIVATE TRACE MODE

RUN

[10][20][30] 85  8.22301268E+36
[40][30] 86  2.2352466E+37
[40][30] 87  6.0760302E+37
[40][30] 88  1.65163625E+38
[40][30] 89
?OVERFLOW ERROR IN 30
READY.
```

# TYPE

**Token:** \$FE \$27

**Format:** **TYPE** filename [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Prints the contents of a file containing text encoded as PETSCII.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **TYPE** cannot be used to print BASIC programs. Use **LIST** for programs instead. **TYPE** can only process **SEQ** or **USR** files containing records of PETSCII text, delimited by the CR character.

The CR character is also known as carriage return, and can be created by using **CHR\$(13)**.

**Example:** Using **TYPE**

```
TYPE "README"  
TYPE "README 1ST",U9
```

# UNLOCK

**Token:** \$FE \$4F

**Format:** **UNLOCK** filename/pattern [,**D** drive] [,**U** unit]

**Usage:** Used to unlock files. The specified file or a set of files, that matches the pattern, is unlocked and no more protected. It can be deleted afterwards with the commands **DELETE**, **ERASE** or **SCRATCH**

The command **LOCK** applies the lock.

**filename** is either a quoted string such as "DATA", or a string expression in brackets such as (FI\$).

**drive** drive # in dual drive disk units.

The drive # defaults to **0** and can be omitted on single drive units such as the 1541, 1571, or 1581.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** Unlocking a file, that is already unlocked, has no effect.

In direct mode the number of unlocked files is printed. The second to last number from the message contains the number of unlocked files,

**Examples:** Using **UNLOCK**

```
UNLOCK "SNOOPY",U9 :REM UNLOCK FILE SNOOPY ON UNIT 9
03,FILES UNLOCKED,01,00
UNLOCK "BS*" :REM UNLOCK ALL FILES BEGINNING WITH "BS"
03,FILES UNLOCKED,04,00
```

# UNTIL

**Token:** \$FC

**Format:** **DO** ... **LOOP**  
**DO** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]  
... statements [**EXIT**]  
**LOOP** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]

**Usage:** **DO** and **LOOP** define the start of a BASIC loop. Using **DO** and **LOOP** alone without any modifiers creates an infinite loop, which can only be exited by the **EXIT** statement. The loop can be controlled by adding **UNTIL** or **WHILE** after the **DO** or **LOOP**.

**Remarks:** **DO** loops may be nested. An **EXIT** statement exits the current loop only.

**Examples:** Using **DO** and **LOOP**.

```
10 PW$="":DO
20 GET A$:PW$=PW$+A$
30 LOOP UNTIL LEN(PW$)>7 OR A$=CHR$(13)

10 DO : REM WAIT FOR USER DECISION
20 GET A$
30 LOOP UNTIL A$="Y" OR A$="N" OR A$="y" OR A$="n"

10 DO WHILE ABS(EPS) > 0.001
20 GOSUB 2000 : REM ITERATION SUBROUTINE
30 LOOP

10 I%=0 : REM INTEGER LOOP 1-100
20 DO I%=I%+1
30 LOOP WHILE I% < 101
```

# USING

**Token:** \$FB

**Format:** PRINT[# channel,] **USING** format; argument

**Usage:** Parses the **format** string and evaluates the argument. The argument can be either a string or a numeric value. The format of the resulting output is directed by the **format** string.

**channel** number, which was given to a previous call to commands such as **APPEND**, **DOPEN**, or **OPEN**. If no channel is specified, the output goes to the screen.

**format** string variable or a string constant which defines the rules for formatting. When using a number as the **argument**, formatting can be done in either CBM style, providing a pattern such as #####.### or in C style using a <width.precision> specifier, such as %30 %7.2F %4X .

**argument** the number to be formatted. If the argument does not fit into the format e.g. trying to print a 4 digit variable into a series of three hashes (###), asterisks will be used instead.

**Remarks:** The format string is only applied for one argument, but it is possible to append more than one **USING format;argument** sequences.

**argument** may consist of printable characters and control codes. Printable characters are printed to the cursor position, while control codes are executed. The number of # characters sets the width of the output. If the first character of the format string is an equals '=' sign, the argument string is centered. If the first character of the format string is a greater than '>' sign, the argument string is right justified.

**Example:** USING with a corresponding PRINT#

```
PRINT USING "###.###";a, USING " [%6.4F] ";SQR(2)
3.14 [1.4142]
```

```
PRINT USING "< # # # > ";12*31
< 3 7 2 >
```

```
PRINT USING "####"; "ABCDE"
ABC
```

```
PRINT USING ">####"; "ABCDE"
CDE
```

```
PRINT USING "ADDRESS:%4X";65000
ADDRESS:$FDE8
```

```
A$="###,###,###.#":PRINT USING A$;1E8/3
33,333,333.3
```

# USR

**Token:** \$B7

**Format:** **USR**(numeric expression)

**Usage:** Invokes an assembly language routine whose memory address is stored at \$02F8 - \$02F9. The result of the **numeric expression** is written to floating point accumulator 1.

After executing the assembly routine, BASIC returns the contents of the floating point accumulator 1.

**Remarks:** Banks 0-127 give access to RAM or ROM banks. Banks greater than 127 are used to access I/O, and the underlying system hardware such as the VIC, SID, FDC, etc.

If you would like to learn more, there is a lot more information and examples in the MEGA65 Developer's Guide.

**Example:** Using **USR**

```
10 UX = DEC("7F00") :REM ADDRESS OF USER ROUTINE
20 BANK 128 :REM SELECT SYSTEM BANK
30 BLOAD "ML-PROG",P(UX) :REM LOAD USER ROUTINE
40 POKE (DEC("2F8")),UX AND 255 :REM USR JUMP TARGET LOW
50 POKE (DEC("2F9")),UX / 256 :REM USR JUMP TARGET HIGH
60 PRINT USR(1) :REM PRINT RESULT FOR ARGUMENT P1
```

# VAL

**Token:** \$C5

**Format:** VAL(string expression)

**Usage:** Converts a string to a floating point value.

This function acts in the same way as reading from a string.

**Remarks:** A string containing an invalid number will not produce an error, but return 0 as the result instead.

**Example:** Using VAL

```
PRINT VAL("78E2")
```

```
7800
```

```
PRINT VAL("7+5")
```

```
7
```

```
PRINT VAL("1.256")
```

```
1.256
```

```
PRINT VAL("$FFFF")
```

```
0
```

# VERIFY

**Token:** \$95

**Format:** **VERIFY** filename [, unit [, binflag]]

**Usage:** **VERIFY** with no **binflag** compares a BASIC program in memory with a disk file of type **PRG**. It does the same as **DVERIFY**, but the syntax is different.

**VERIFY** with **binflag** compares a binary file in memory with a disk file of type **PRG**. It does the same as **BVERIFY**, but the syntax is different.

**filename** is either a quoted string, e.g. "PRG" or a string expression.

**unit** device number on the IEC bus. Typically in the range from 8 to 11 for disk units. If a variable is used, it must be placed in brackets. The unit # defaults to **8**.

**Remarks:** **VERIFY** can only test for equality. It gives no information about the number or position of different valued bytes. **VERIFY** exits with either the message **OK** or with **VERIFY ERROR**.

**VERIFY** is obsolete in BASIC 65. It is only here for backwards compatibility. It is recommended to use **DVERIFY** and **BVERIFY** instead.

**Examples:** Using **VERIFY**

```
VERIFY "ADVENTURE"  
VERIFY "ZORK-1",9  
VERIFY "1:DUNGEON",10
```

# VIEWPORT

**Token:** \$FE \$3 1

**Format:** **VIEWPORT CLR**  
**VIEWPORT DEF** x, y, width, height

**Usage:** **VIEWPORT DEF** defines a clipping region with the origin (upper left position) set to **x, y** and the **width** and **height**. All following graphics commands are limited to the **VIEWPORT** region.

**VIEWPORT CLR** fills the clipping region with the color of the drawing pen.

**Remarks:** The clipping region can be reset to full screen by the command **VIEWPORT DEF 0,0,WIDTH,HEIGHT** using the same values for WIDTH and HEIGHT as in the **SCREEN** command.

**Example:** Using **VIEWPORT**

```
10 SCREEN 320,200,2
20 VIEWPORT DEF 20,30,100,120 :REM REGION 20->119, 30->149
30 PEN 1 :REM SELECT COLOUR 1
40 VIEWPORT CLR :REM FILL REGION WITH COLOUR OF PEN
50 GETKEY AS :REM WAIT FOR KEYPRESS
60 SCREEN CLOSE
```

# VOL

**Token:** \$DB

**Format:** VOL volume

**Usage:** Sets the volume for sound output with **SOUND** or **PLAY**.  
**volume** 0 (off) to 15 (loudest).

**Remarks:** This volume setting affects all voices.

**Example:** Using **VOL**

```
10 TEMPO 22
20 FOR V = 2 TO 8 STEP 2
30 VOL V
40 PLAY "T0M3040G6GFED","T204M5P0H.DP5GB","T503IGAGAGAABABAB"
50 IF RPLAY(1) THEN GOTO 50
60 NEXT V
70 PLAY "T005QC046EH.C","T205IEFEDEDCEG06P9CP0R","T503ICDCDEFEDC04C"
```

# WAIT

**Token:** \$92

**Format:** **WAIT** address, andmask [, xormask]

**Usage:** Pauses the BASIC program until a requested bit pattern is read from the given address.

**address** the address at the current memory bank, which is read.

**andmask AND** mask applied.

**xormask XOR** mask applied.

**WAIT** reads the byte value from **address** and applies the masks:  
**result = PEEK(address) AND andmask XOR xormask.**

The pause ends if the result is non-zero, otherwise reading is repeated. This may hang the computer indefinitely if the condition is never met.

**Remarks:** **WAIT** is typically used to examine hardware registers or system variables and wait for an event, e.g. joystick event, mouse event, keyboard press or a specific raster line is about to be drawn to the screen.

**Example:** Using **WAIT**

```
10 BANK 128
20 WAIT 211,1 :REM WAIT FOR SHIFT KEY BEING PRESSED
```

# WHILE

**Token:** \$ED

**Format:** **DO** ... **LOOP**  
**DO** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]  
... statements [**EXIT**]  
**LOOP** [<**UNTIL** | **WHILE**> logical expression]

**Usage:** **DO** and **LOOP** define the start of a BASIC loop. Using **DO** and **LOOP** alone without any modifiers creates an infinite loop, which can only be exited by the **EXIT** statement. The loop can be controlled by adding **UNTIL** or **WHILE** after the **DO** or **LOOP**.

**Remarks:** **DO** loops may be nested. An **EXIT** statement exits the current loop only.

**Examples:** Using **DO** and **LOOP**

```
10 PW$="":DO
20 GET A$:PW$=PW$+A$
30 LOOP UNTIL LEN(PW$)>7 OR A$=CHR$(13)

10 DO : REM WAIT FOR USER DECISION
20 GET A$
30 LOOP UNTIL A$="Y" OR A$="N" OR A$="y" OR A$="n"

10 DO WHILE ABS(EPS) > 0.001
20 GOSUB 2000 : REM ITERATION SUBROUTINE
30 LOOP

10 I%=0 : REM INTEGER LOOP 1-100
20 DO I%=I%+1
30 LOOP WHILE I% < 101
```

# WINDOW

**Token:** \$FE \$1A

**Format:** **WINDOW** left, top, right, bottom [, clear]

**Usage:** Sets the text screen window.

**left** left column

**top** top row

**right** right column

**bottom** bottom row

**clear** clear text window flag

**Remarks:** The row values range from 0 to 24. The column values range from 0 to either 39 or 79. This depends on the screen mode.

There can be only one window on the screen. Pressing  twice or **PRINTing CHR\$(19)CHR\$(19)** will reset the window to the default (full screen).

**Example:** Using **WINDOW**

```
10 WINDOW 0,1,79,24 :REM SCREEN WITHOUT TOP ROW
20 WINDOW 0,0,79,24,1 :REM FULL SCREEN WINDOW CLEARED
30 WINDOW 0,12,79,24 :REM LOWER HALF OF SCREEN
40 WINDOW 20,5,59,15 :REM SMALL CENTRED WINDOW
```

# XOR

**Token:** \$E9

**Format:** operand **XOR** operand

**Usage:** The Boolean **XOR** operator performs a bit-wise logical exclusive OR operation on two 16-bit values. Integer operands are used as they are. Real operands are converted to a signed 16-bit integer (losing precision). Logical operands are converted to 16-bit integer using \$FFFF, (decimal -1) for TRUE, and \$0000 (decimal 0) for FALSE.

Expression	Result
0 XOR 0	0
0 XOR 1	1
1 XOR 0	1
1 XOR 1	0

**Remarks:** The result is of type integer. If the result is used in a logical context, the value of 0 is regarded as FALSE, and all other non-zero values are regarded as TRUE.

**Example:** Using **XOR**

```
FOR I = 0 TO 8: PRINT I XOR 5;: NEXT I
5 4 7 6 1 0 3 2 13
```



**CHAPTER**

**3**

# **Special Keyboard Controls and Sequences**

- **PETSCII Codes and CHR\$**
- **Control codes**
- **Shifted codes**
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# PETSCII CODES AND CHR\$

In BASIC, `PRINT CHR$(X)` can be used to print a character from a PETSCII code. Below is the full table of PETSCII codes you can print by index. For example, while in the default uppercase/graphics mode, by using index 65 from the table below as: `PRINT CHR$(65)` you will print the letter `A`. You can read more about **CHR\$** on page 45.

You can also do the reverse with the `ASC` statement. For example: `PRINT ASC("A")` will output 65, which matches the code in the table.

Note: Function key (F1-F14 + HELP) values in this table are not intended to be printed via `CHR$( )`, but rather to allow function-key input to be assessed in BASIC programs via the `GET / GETKEY` commands.

0	18 	37 %	57 9
1	19 	38 &	58 :
2 UNDERLINE ON	20 	39 '	59 ;
3	21 F10 / BACK WORD	40 (	60 <
4	22 F11	41 )	61 =
5 WHITE	23 F12 / NEXT WORD	42 *	62 >
6	24 SET/CLEAR TAB	43 +	63 ?
7 BELL	25 F13	44 ,	64 @
8	26 F14 / BACK TAB	45 -	65 A
9 	27 ESCAPE	46 .	66 B
10 LINEFEED	28 RED	47 /	67 C
11 DISABLE	29 	48 0	68 D
 	30 GREEN	49 1	69 E
12 ENABLE	31 BLUE	50 2	70 F
 	32 	51 3	71 G
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Note 1: Codes from 192 to 223 are the equal to 96 to 127. Codes from 224 to 254 are equal to 160 to 190, and code 255 is equal to 126.

Note 2: While using lowercase/uppercase mode (by pressing  + ), be aware that:

- The uppercase letters in region 65-90 of the above table are replaced with lowercase letters.
- The graphical characters in region 97-122 of the above table are replaced with uppercase letters.
- PETSCII's lowercase (65-90) and uppercase (97-122) letters are in ASCII's uppercase (65-90) and lowercase (97-122) letter regions.

## CONTROL CODES

Keyboard Control	Function
<b>Colours</b>	
 +  to 	Choose from the first range of colours. More information on the colours available is under the <b>BASIC BACKGROUND</b> command on page 23.
 +  to 	Choose from the second range of colours.
 + 	Restores the colour of the cursor back to the default (white).
 + 	Switches the VIC-IV to colour range 0-15 (default colours). These colours can be accessed with  and keys  to  (for the first 8 colours), or  and keys  to  (for the remaining 8 colours).

Keyboard Control	Function
	<p>Switches the VIC-IV to colour range 16-31 (alternate/rainbow colours). These colours can be accessed with  and keys  to  (for the first 8 colours), or  and keys  to  (for the remaining 8 colours).</p>

## Tabs

	<p>Tabs the cursor to the left. If there are no tab positions remaining, the cursor will remain at the start of the line.</p>
	<p>Tabs the cursor to the right. If there are no tab positions remaining, the cursor will remain at the end of the line.</p>
	<p>Sets or clears the current screen column as a tab position. Use  +  and  to jump back and forth to all positions set with .</p>

## Movement

	<p>Moves the cursor down one line at a time. Equivalent to .</p>
	<p>Moves the cursor down a position. If you are on a long line of BASIC code that has extended to two lines, then the cursor will move down two rows to be on the next line.</p>
	<p>Equivalent to .</p>

Keyboard Control	Function
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>T</b>	Backspace the character immediately to the left and to shift all rightmost characters one position to the left. This is equivalent to <b>INST DEL</b> .
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>M</b>	Performs a carriage return, equivalent to <b>RETURN</b> .

### Word movement

<b>CTRL</b> + <b>U</b>	Moves the cursor back to the start of the previous word. If there are no words between the current cursor position and the start of the line, the cursor will move to the first column of the current line.
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>W</b>	Advances the cursor forward to the start of the next word. If there are no words between the cursor and the end of the line, the cursor will move to the first column of the next line.

### Scrolling

<b>CTRL</b> + <b>P</b>	Scroll BASIC listing down one line. Equivalent to <b>F9</b> .
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>V</b>	Scroll BASIC listing up one line. Equivalent to <b>F11</b> .
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>S</b>	Equivalent to <b>NO SCROLL</b> .

### Formatting

<b>CTRL</b> + <b>B</b>	Enables underline text mode. You can disable underline mode by pressing <b>ESC</b> , then <b>O</b> .
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Keyboard Control	Function
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>O</b>	Enables flashing text mode. You can disable flashing mode by pressing <b>ESC</b> , then <b>O</b> .
<b>Casing</b>	
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>N</b>	Changes the text case mode from uppercase to lowercase.
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>K</b>	Locks the uppercase/lowercase mode switch usually performed with <b>M</b> + <b>SHIFT</b> .
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>L</b>	Enables the uppercase/lowercase mode switch that is performed with the <b>M</b> + <b>SHIFT</b> .
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>G</b>	Produces a bell tone.
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>[</b>	Equivalent to pressing <b>ESC</b> .
<b>CTRL</b> + <b>*</b>	Enters the Matrix Mode Debugger.

## SHIFTED CODES

Keyboard Control	Function
<b>SHIFT</b> + <b>INST DEL</b>	Insert a character at the current cursor position and move all characters to the right by one position.
<b>SHIFT</b> + <b>HOME</b>	Clear home, clear the entire screen, and move the cursor to the home position.

# ESCAPE SEQUENCES

To perform an Escape Sequence, press and release , then press one of the following keys to perform the sequence:

Key	Sequence
<b>Editor behaviour</b>	
 	Clears the screen and toggles between 40 and 80-column modes.
 	Clears the screen and switches to 40 column mode.
 	Clears the screen and switches to 80 column mode.
 	Clears a region of the screen, starting from the current cursor position, to the end of the screen.
 	Cancels the quote, reverse, underline, and flash modes.
<b>Scrolling</b>	
 	Scrolls the entire screen up one line.
 	Scrolls the entire screen down one line.
 	Enables scrolling when  is pressed at the bottom of the screen.
 	Disables scrolling. When pressing  at the bottom of the screen, the cursor will move to the top of the screen. However, when pressing  at the top of the screen, the cursor will remain on the first line.

## Insertion and deletion

Key	Sequence
 	Inserts an empty line at the current cursor position and moves all subsequent lines down one position.
 	Deletes the current line and moves lines below the cursor up one position.
 	Erases all characters from the cursor to the start of the current line.
 	Erases all characters from the cursor to the end of the current line.

### Movement

 	Moves the cursor to the start of the current line.
 	Moves the cursor to the last non-whitespace character on the current line.
 	Saves the current cursor position. Use   (next to  ) to move it back to the saved position. Note that the  used here is next to  .
 	Restores the cursor position to the position stored via a prior a press of the   (next to  ) key sequence. Note that the  used here is next to  .

### Windowing

Key	Sequence
 	Sets the top-left corner of the windowed area. All typed characters and screen activity will be restricted to the area. Also see   . Windowed mode can be disabled by pressing  twice.
 	Sets the bottom right corner of the windowed area. All typed characters and screen activity will be restricted to the area. Also see   . Windowed mode can be disabled by pressing  twice.

### Cursor behaviour

 	Enables auto-insert mode. Any keys pressed will be inserted at the current cursor position, shifting all characters on the current line after the cursor to the right by one position.
 	Disables auto-insert mode, reverting back to overwrite mode.
 	Sets the cursor to non-flashing mode.
 	Sets the cursor to regular flashing mode.

### Bell behaviour

 	Enables the bell which can be sounded using  and  .
 	Disable the bell so that pressing  and  will have no effect.

### Colours

Key	Sequence
 	<p>Switches the VIC-IV to colour range 0-15 (default colours). These colours can be accessed with  and keys  to  (for the first 8 colours), or  and keys  to  (for the remaining colours).</p>
 	<p>Switches the VIC-IV to colour range 16-31 (alternate/rainbow colours). These colours can be accessed with  and keys  to  (for the first 8 colours), or  and keys  to  (for the remaining colours).</p>

### Tabs

 	<p>Set the default tab stops (every 8 spaces) for the entire screen.</p>
 	<p>Clears all tab stops. Any tabbing with  and  will move the cursor to the end of the line.</p>

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