# FORTH LANGUAGE for the Commodore 64 <br> with Graphics, Sound and Assembler 

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9. Introduction
"Forth should be able to do what other programming languages can do--only more elegantly."

This was the claim that Charles $H$. Moore made about the language which he developed, Forth. As a matter of fact, the steadily growing base of Forth enthusiasts seems never to tire of producing examples illustrating how programs can be realized faster and in less space (and often more elegantly) than in other languages. For example, compilers are written in Forth and also the famous turtle graphics in logo have been implemented in Forth--quickly and elegantly. Forth is particularly well applied to the solution of real-time problems since Forth is fast, compact, and efficient.

But Forth is not only a programming language but also an operating system. With Forth, a complete system is available to the user in which one can program, assemble, and edit, with which one (in the case of Forth-64) can do graphics and make music, with which memory dumps and program patches can be made, and in which desired extensions can be made by the user which are then immediately resident in the system. Forth consists of hundreds of words which all denote a program of their own which is immediately executed when called.

To be sure, Forth is not a language which is very easy to understand since it is quite different from all other high-level languages. Normally, Forth uses only the stack as an interface for parameter passing and performs no special parameter checking. In addition, Forth uses what is called Reverse Polish Notation or RPN for arithmetic. RPN can take a while to get used to.
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## 2. Forth-64

### 2.1 General

Forth-64 is based on the FIG-FORTH standard of the Forth Interest Group (FIG) of San Carlos, California. Naturally, current versions of Forth offer many more words, just as this version offers some three times as many words in its basic vocabulary as does the standard. In addition, all of vocabulary of the second Forth standard, Forth 79, has been included in this Forth. Furthermore, some words in the most recent generation of Forth, Forth 83, have been included in Forth-64. Unfortunately, some words in Forth 83 have different programs connected with them in contrast to earlier Forths and some words have been renamed. Where such ambiguities exists (for example, the words PICK and ROLL have a slightly altered function, and the old word $0=$ has been replaced with NOT in Forth 83), the old syntax and semantics have been retained in Forth-64.

Independent of the standard, Forth-64 contains a number of very useful words with which the SID (Sound Interface Device) and VIC (Video Interface Controller) can be addressed making it easier to use these devices for graphics and sound.

Forth-64 naturally includes the special Forth assembler with which one can create assembly language programs (in the Forth notation), and Forth has an easy-to-use editor.

We also haven't forgoten the words with which one can address external devices (disk) and process strings (similar to BASIC), and the many programming aids such as the DUMP, HELP, and TRACE commands.

Should the user still require additional words for his special needs, these can be defined at any time and are--as any other Forth word--immediately available for use.

At this point we will only hint at the ability to assign strings (Forth words) to function keys or any other key.

Forth-64 makes use of the function keys itself and has assigned often-used functions to the function keys in the editor and even standard modes. The HELP command displays the current key assignsents, also when the assignments have been changed by the user.

One last feature of Forth-64 is the fact that all of the examples given in the user's manual are also included on the disk. The programs are useful and can be immediately loaded, tried out, and changed as desired.

### 2.2 First time using Forth-64

The Forth distribution diskette contains 3 files:

- GFORTH
- FIG-FORTH64
- SCR
( The loader program)
( The Forth program)
( an included screen file)

Forth is loaded with: LOAD "GFORTH", 8,l.
Forth-64 starts itself, meaning you don't have to type RUN or some similar command after the program has loaded.

Forth-64 announces itself with the usual initial message containing the version, date of creation, and program name.

The first commands which you can now give are such things as VLIST, HELP, or . S .

VLIST generates a list of all the words in the current context and Forth vocabularies. The context dictionary may be ASSEMBLER, EDITOR, GRAPHIC, SOUND, or FORTH itself. After loading, the context vocabulary is Forth.

If the command listing produced by VLIST takes too long for you, you can interrupt it by pressing the STOP key. This is true of the most of the commands which take a while to execute.

The command. $S$ returns the condition of the stack. This is hopefully empty immediately after loading Forth.

When you enter a number (such as 3 CR ), and then take a look at the stack, you will see this number there until another Forth word such as CLEAR CR or . CR retrieves it.

Enter the command HELP. It shows you the current key assignments. This produces an assignment of ASCII codes to Forth words. Any word can be assigned to any key as desired with the limitation that the assigned word not require any values from the stack.

Perhaps you would like to make a small change in your system. Let us assume that you do not like the color combination on the screen.

Simply enter the following sentence:
blue border cyan screen brown pen cr
and everything looks much nicer, right?
Forget BASIC, forget POKEing values into addresses that no human can remember:

In Forth-64, the color codes 0 to 9 are assigned to constants--words. Write BLACK when you mean BLACK instead of 0 !

You can even define a new word for your favorite color combination,
: FCN BLACK BORDER RED SCREEN WHITE PEN ; CR

### 2.3 Input from the terainal

In Forth it was planned from the beginning to have the input operate in the KEY mode, meaning that each character is accepted and processed as soon as it is typed. This burdens Forth with a wholly unnecessary task which the operating system performs all by itself when the appropriate routine is called. Forth-64 does not process input in the key mode. The input of characters is done in the same way it is done in BASIC, meaning that Forth does not "see" the line until you send it an edited line with $C R$.

A small modification to this input function has been made however (with the result of greater convenience for the user) :

The first character the user enters after Forth responds with "OK" is checked to see if it is contained in an assignment table which creates a connection between input characters and Forth functions. If this is the case, then this function is performed and more input will be expected upon completion.

This continues until a key is pressed which is not contained in this table. In this case the normal line input routine is called and the character first entered is, of course, retained.

An example of a key assignment can be found in Section 5 - "Music with the sound vocabulary".

### 2.4 The screen file SCR

Sooner or later it will no longer be any fun to enter your larger programs by hand each time. You want to be able to write these to file with the help of an editor in order to be able to load them again when required. Forth recognizes only a single file. This is called SCR in Forth64. SCR is a relative file which can be of any desired size, preferably on its own disk. Forth manages this file virtually, meaning that you can access random places in it, page forwards and backwards, and use them as you would memory in the computer, without giving it any thought. Forth takes care of the input and output transfer by itself. You need only inform the computer when you are done with an editing session so that it can make sure that all of the memory has been saved on disk. The word DONE performs this operation.

The screen file is divided into individual logical pages (screens). A page contains 16 lines, each of 64 characters. A page is also the logical entity used in editing. As we already said, one can select any page at any time, look at it and edit it. Two screens are always reserved for error messages in Forth. These are screens 4 and 5. When creating a new screen file, do not forget to copy these pages to the new file. If you don't do this you will not get any error messages when you encounter an error.

Before you edit your own programs, get one of your own data disks for the sake of security. This will also enable you to learn a couple of new forth words:

- insert original disk
- EMPTY-BUFFBRS 4 LIST 5 LIST CLOSE-SCREBN CR
- insert new disk in drive
- " Nidisk name,id" DOS CR

Note: The spaces behind the " are relevant.
This command formats the disk, erasing it!

- CREATE-SCREEN CR

A screen file witt 2200 sentences is created and screens 4 and 5, which are in the disk buffer, are copied to the disk. It requires several minutes to create the file.

Now you have a Forth data disk which you can use right away. You can of course make as many data disks as you like in this manner.
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## 3. Forth Editor

### 3.1 General

One of the peculiarities of Forth is that the user cannot divide his text and programs into files as desired but must write these to a single virtual file called "SCR" in Forth-64. This virtual Forth storage is further divided into screens (logical pages). The user can select and work with desired pages of this file.

Just as screens can be selected "at random" for editing, these same screens can be compiled in any order, determined either through references at the end of each page or through a command page.

The processing entity is always such a screen!
The format of a Forth screen is standardized. It always consists of 16 lines each of 64 characters. The maximum number of screens depends on the amount of storage space available on the disk.

An additional standard is that screens 4 and 5 must contain error messages. These screens should not be overwritten with programs or else no meaningful messages will be given when an error occurs.

If you take a look at these screens (4 LIST 5 LIST CR), you will see that some lines are empty. These lines can be filled with error messages as the user sees fit.

Line 15 on page 4 has another special significance. It should contain a brief text identifying the disk, perhaps its contents and the date of creation. This line is evaluated by the documenting words TRIAD and INDEX. The user can receive its message with the command 15 MESSAGE CR.

The following example will give you a look into how editing is done in Forth and how you you can change the disk identification line. You can best learn about the many possibilities not explained in the example here from the description of the EDITOR vocabulary in section 3.4"Description of the editor commands".

### 3.2 Simple editing

We enter the following command to edit screen 4:

## 4 EDIT CR

Screen 4 with the corresponding error messages will be displayed:

```
SCR # 4
    O P ( ERROR MESSAGES )
    l P EMPTY STACK !
    2 P DICTIONARY FULL :
    3 P HAS INCORRECT ADDRESS MODE
    4 P ISN'T UNIQUB
    5 P
    6 P DISC RANGE ?
    7 P FULL STACK
    8 P DISC ERROR
    P
10 P
11 P
12 P
13 P
14 P
15 P MASTER DISKETTE FORTH64
```

The line numbers are set from 0 to 15 and are not, as in they are in BASIC, freely chosen. The $P$ behind the line number means PUT or PLACB and has the function that the text behind it (separated by a space) will be written on the corresponding line.

You may have noticed that the usual "OK" message is not printed. This makes sense because you can now position the cursor at the spot to be changed and make the appropriate changes. By sending the $P$ command with $C R$, the start of the next line is not destroyed. You can then continue to edit as usual.

If you do not want to move the cursor, you can also write your lines directly, without using the pattern. If you have screens which contain more than 7 lines with over 35 characters, the top lines will scroll away and you must edit the first lines in this manner.

At this point you should be strongly advised to alternate lines when writing forth programs (with the exception of lines 0 [contains screen information] and 15 [here it doesn't hurt anymore]). Otherwise Forth programs become very difficult to read and Forth programs which are difficult to read become hard for even the author the understand after a while.

Once you have changed screen 4 according to your tastes, save the changes to disk with the command SSAVE (F7).

You can get to the next or previous screen with the commands +EDIT (F1) and -EDIT (F2), accordingly. When you are done editing, enter the command DONE (F8). This implicates, among others, SSAVE, and even saves all changes in the disk buffer to disk if you forget SSAVB at the end of editing a screen.

To see if your changes were accepted, take a look at the index of screens 4 and 5 with the INDEX command:

45 INDEX CR
The comment lines of screens 4 and 5 as well as the disk identification line will be displayed on the screen.

For additional practice, you could define your favorite screen color combination on acreen and then load this screen after you have loaded Forth from the distribution diskette. Screens can be loaded with the LOAD command. For example:

10 LOAD CR
if your program is in screen 10.
If screen 10 was the last screen to be edited or if the value 10 is contained in the variable $S C R$, you need only press the RUN key on the computer. This key is assigned the function ELOAD.

If Forth discovers an error while loading a screen, such as a word it does not recognize, you need only enter the word WHERE and the screen in question will be displayed for editing with a marker at the spot where the error occurred.
3.3 Overview of the editor buffer


All buffers up to PAD are used only by the editor and can be used for other purposes. They are erased with EMPTYBUFFERS before using the editor.

### 3.4 Description of editor comands

### 3.4.1 SCREEN commands

The following commands operate on one or more screens.
BDIT $n$--
Selects the nth screen for editing. OK is turned off. Internal cursor position is set to the start of the Oth line (variable $R_{\#}$ ), the screen is displayed, and the cursor is positioned on the first line. Displayed screens can be edited.

E
The current screen (number in $S C R$ ) is displayed again (as with EDIT).
+BDIT --
The next screen is displayed for editing.
-BDIT --
The previous screen is displayed for editing.

WIPE
The current screen is erased (only in the disk buffer). After command $E$, $a$ blank screen is displayed.

## SSAVE

SCRATCH
The current screen is saved on disk, assuming it was changed.

The changes in the screen being edited are made invalid in the disk buffer. The lastsaved condition can be redisplayed for editing with the $E$ command.

### 3.4.2 Line comands

Commands which manipulate one or more entire lines.

P

S

R

I

H

K

D

XH
i --
Places the following text in the ith line of the current screen. The internal cursor position is connected in series to the next page (important for searching).
i n --
Spreads the current screen at the ith line by n lines. The lines behind $n$ are lost.
i --
Replaces the current line and the lines following with the contents of PAD. PAD can be filled by the commands $H$ or XH.
i n --
Inserts the contents of PAD at the ith line. The last lines of the screen are lost.
in --
Copies $n$ lines at line $i$ of the current screen to PAD.
i $n$--
Erases $n$ lines at line $i$ on the current screen.
i n --
Deletes $n$ lines at line $i$ on the current screen. Lines are placed in PAD.
sinn-
"External Hold." Copies $n$ lines at line i of Screen s to PAD. This allows you to use sections of other screens in the screen currently being edited without having to select the screen from which the extraction is made.

### 3.4.3 Character commands

The following commands operate on individual characters or on the internal cursor position $R \#$. Search and delete commands operate at the cursor position saved in R\#. The search and insert buffers are not initialized when the editor is called in order to preserve their contents over multiple editor calls. The appropriate parameters must therefore be given for the first search or insert call.

TOP
Sets the internal cursor position to 0 (line 0 , column 0 ).
$\mathbf{L}$ i --
Sets the internal cursor position to the start of the ith line (line $i$, column 0 ).
: R \# n --
Sets the cursor pointer to $n$.
+!R* n --
Advances the cursor pointer $n$ positions.
v
Writes the line to which the cursor pointer points on the screen. The cursor position is displayed through reverse output of the character in question.
$X$--
Erases the remainder of the line at the cursor position.

FIND --
A search is made for the text, enclosed in English pound signs (x), following the command, at the current cursor position. The text is placed in the search buffer. The delimiter can be found in the variable DELI and can be changed as desired. If an empty string is specified (for example: FIND fi CR), the search buffer does not change, A search will be made for the string last given in a search command. If no delimiters (English pound signs) are found in the following string, the entire remainder of the input line will be used as the target string.

## INSERT

The text following the command and enclosed in English pound signs is inserted at the current cursor position. The text is also placed in the insert buffer. The delimiter is again in the variable DBLI and can be changed
as required. If an empty string is entered (for example: INSERT $£ £ C R$ ), the contents of the insert buffer are not changed and existing contents are then used. If no delimiter is found in the text following the command, the entire remainder of the input line is inserted (Beware of length conflicts!)
DELETE $A^{--}$seerch is made for the text following the command and enclosed in English pound signs, starting at the current cursor position, and starting at the current cursor position, and
deleted if found. The text is placed in the search buffer. The delimiter is found in the variable DELI and can be changed as required. The same applies for empty strings or those not enclosed in delimiters as for FIND.
The cursor is set back the number characters found in the search buffer.
A search is made for the text following the command, enclosed in English pound signs, and if found, this text is replaced by the text enclosed in the English pound signs following the first. Both texts are placed in the search and insert buffers, respectively. The delimiter is once again found in the variable DELI and can be changed if desired. The same applies as with DELETE and INSERT for empty strings or strings not enclosed in delimiters. Example: FS £CAT天DOG£
(FIND) --
Like FIND, but the text to be found is taken from the search buffer. (FIND) is the actual search routine for $F I N D$ and can be used for multiple searches for the same target.
(INSERT) --
Like INSERT, but the text in the insert buffer is inserted. What was said about (FIND) applies here too.
(FS)
(DELETE) --
Like DELETE, but the text is taken from the search buffer.

### 3.4.4 Ending the editing

DONE
Switches to the Forth vocabulary. The editing mode is exited. First, however, lines which were not already saved are written to disk. The ok message is reactivated and the editor function keys are deactivated.

### 3.5 Rditor function keys

The function keys have special assignments in the Forth editor. The assignments can be viewed through the HELP command.

| CHR\$ |  | Key |  | Assignments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 94 |  | $\hat{i}$ : | E | redisplays current screen |
| 131 | SHIFT | RUN: | Eload | loads the last-edited screen |
| 133 |  | F1: | +EDIT | edit next screen |
| 137 |  | F2: | -EDIT | edit previous screen |
| 134 |  | F3: | (DELETE) | delete current search target |
| 138 |  | F4: | WIPE | erase current screen |
| 135 |  | F5: | (INSERT) | inserts the current INSERT buffer |
| 139 |  | F6: | (FIND) | searches for current target |
| 136 |  | F7: | SSAVE | saves edited screen |
| 140 |  | F8: | DONE | ends editing |

The function $F S$ can be repeated as often desired by using $F 3$ and $F 5$. The search and insert buffers are also not cleared when screens are changed so that a substitution using function keys Fl, $F 3, F 5$, and when done, $F 7$, can be performed, for example.

### 3.6 Notes

If you want to edit, but forth does not accept the edit commands entered, you have probably exited the editor. Enter the command $i$ EDIT CR or E CR.

## 4. Programing in Forth

This Forth user's guide is not designed to teach Forth. The user who wants to learn Forth and write more complex Forth programs should get a good tutorial book on Forth. Starting Forth by Leo Brodie of FORTH, Inc, is an excellent book to start learning this unique language.

In this chapter we will clarify only the main characteristics of Forth. We will include small example programs which, in contrast to the programs in the following chapters, are not contained on the program disk.

### 4.1 General

The Forth language consists of words, as does any other language. Each of these words corresponds, so to speak, to a command which has something to do with the program. All of the words belonging to the basic forth vocabulary are described in the appendix to this guide. There are hundreds of them for the user to become acquainted with. Some (like HELP or VLIST) have been described in the previous chapters.

Most of the words must have yet to be explained. Just as you can't tell anyone "Write!" without telling him what to write, it is just as senseless to give forth the corresponding command. CR without telling it what should be displayed on the screen.

The instruction 5 . $C R$, on the other hand, can be processed and Forth outputs the number 5 on the screen. It should be noted that in Forth, one first gives the operand(s) and then the operator; therefore first the number 5 and then the instruction ".".

The same applies to arithmetic expressions. The sum of the two numbers 7 and 12 is calculated in Forth through the expression $712+C R$ instead of $7+12=$ as usual.

Now we must explain how forth words know what they are supposed to process. To do so we must describe something called the stack.

### 4.2 The stack

In Forth, all programs communicate over a single central location--the stack. Every Forth subroutine which requires parameters gets these parameters from the stack. The user has the responsibility of making sure the appropriate parameters are on the stack before the subroutine is called. Otherwise the called word will get some kind of garbage which can lead in the worst cases to a system crash. A Forth word can best be described by representing the logical flow of the function and in addition, clarifying the input and output parameters.


The Forth words in the appendix are also to be understood in this manner. Let us take a look at what happens to the stack when adding two number $712+C R$.

7 (all number inputs are placed on the stack)


12
(as above)

$+$
(Stack diagram: nl n2 -- sum)


To output the results one writes:
(Stack diagram: n --)


The stack is now in the condition that it was in before the calculation.

### 4.3 Examples

We will now illustrate through the use of some short examples how one programs in Forth. The first is a kind of a language translator which may be thought of as an EnglishGerman dictionary. We need only the two related words '."' and '", as well as the definition delimiters required for every word, ':' and ';'.

We define:

```
: LOVE ." LIBBE " ;
: I ." ICH " ;
: QUEEN ." KOENIGIN " ;
: MARY ." MARIA " ;
```

Note: The space is an important delimiter in Forth. At least one space must separate each forth word from neighboring words (a space is required after a quotation mark because it is a Forth word).

You can now ask for the translation of any learned word. If you type QUEEN CR, Forth answers with KOBNIGIN. You can also translate sentences (though the translation will often be grammatically wrong): I LOVE QUEEN MARY CR

The name "dictionary" used to describe the list of Forth words takes on a literal meaning in this application.

Next we want to define a word called 2SORT which sorts two numbers according to size. The stack diagram looks like this:

$$
\text { nl n2 --- min(nl, n2) } \max (\mathrm{n} 1, \mathrm{n} 2)
$$

At the end of 2SORT the larger of the two values will be at the top of the stack. The word definition for this is:


The two values $n l$ and $n 2$ must be duplicated once in the program because the comparison operator '>' removes two values from the stack and leaves an indicator 'true' ( $=1$ ) or 'false' ( $=0$ ) depending on whether $n l>n 2$ or not. The word If removes the indicator from the stack. The branch between IF and ENDIF is only executed if the indicator was "true".

This branch exchanges the top two values on the stack.
We will use this word in our next definition (calculation of the greatest common denominator [GCD] of two numbers).

The Buclidean algorithm for determining the GCD of two positive integers is similar to the following:

- subtract the smaller of the two numbers (let us aay n2) from the larger, nl, until the result, n3, of the subtraction is less than $n 2$.
- subtract the result n3 from n2 until the new result, $n 4$, is less than $n 3$, and so on.
- end the procedure when the difference is 0 . The number last subtracted is the GCD.

The stack diagram for the word GCD:

```
n1 n2 -- gcd
```

The word definition:

```
: GCD
    BEGIN
        2SORT
        OVER
        MOD
        -DUP we duplicate n3 only if n3>0
        Case l: n3>0, then stack: n2 n3 n3
        else : n2 0
        0=
    UNTIL
            Case 1: n2 n3 0
    else : n2 l
    Case 1: n2 n3 and back to repeat
    else : n2
```

;

The loop will be exited at UNTIL if a 0 is not found there.

The program is fast (about 10 times faster than an equivalent BASIC program) and can be used in any application just as any other Forth word.

At the end of this chapter we will introduce a program which adds two fractions and also reduces the result. This example will clearly illustrate the possibilities and dangers which Forth offers.

The stack diagram for the addition program for fractions is:
nl dl n2 d2 -- nsum dsum
in which $n$ and $d$ stand for numerator and denominator.
The Forth program:

| fractionadd | ( N1 D1 N2 D2 ---- NSUM DSUM) |
| :---: | :---: |
| DUP | N1 D1 N2 D2 D2 |
| 5 ROLL | D1 N2 D2 D2 N1 |
| * | D1 N2 D2 Pl |
| 3 ROLL | D1 D2 P1 AA |
| 4 PICK | D1 D2 Pl N2 Dl |
| * | D1 D2 P1 P2 |
| + | D1 D2 NSUM |
| -ROT | NSUM N1 N2 |
| * | NSUM DSUM |
| 2 DUP | NSUM DSUM NSUM DSUM |
| GCD | NSUM DSUM GCD |
| DUP | NSUM DSUM GCD GCD |
| -ROT | NSUM GCD DSUM GCD |
| 1 | NSUM GCD (REDUCED DENOMINATOR) |
| -ROT | (REDUCED DEN.) NSUM GCD |
| 1 | DENOMINATOR NUMERATOR |
| SWAP |  |

The program FRACTIONADD works, but it is difficult to read and follow. Forth programs should not be written this way. Programs become more readable if one breaks the problem down into smaller tasks and defines more words, such as the following:

Function Stack diagram
NUMERATOR nl dl n2 d2 --- numerator
numerator=nl*d2+n2*d1
REDUCE $n$ d divisor --- num. reduced denom. reduced
The addition of fractions can then be formulated as follows:
: ADDFRAC

| 3 PICK | nl dl n2 d2 dl |
| :--- | :--- |
| OVER | nl d1 n2 dl d2 |
| * | nl d1 n2 d2 denominator |
| >R | nl dl n2 d2 (denom saved on return |
|  | stack) |
| NUMERATOR | numerator |
| R | numerator denominator |
| 2DUP | num denom num denom |
| GCD | numerator denominator gcd |
| REDUCE | num reduced denom reduced |

## 5. Music with the sound vocabulary

5.1 Description of the sound commands

Forth-64 contains a small vocabulary with which music or at least tones can be created. The vocabulary is called SOUND and contains the following words:

VOICE VOLUME ENVELOPE NOISE PULSE SAWTOOTH TRIANGLE and SID
Before you can call one of these words, you must first enter the command SOUND.

ENVBLOPE nl n2 n3 n4 n5 $-\cdots$ Definition of the waveform of the nlth voice nl-voice (l.. 3) n2 - attack (1..15) n3 - decay (1..15) n4 - sustain (1..15) n5 - release (1..15)

VOICE nl n2 n3 n4 n5 n6 ——— Creation of a tone in the nlth voice nl - voice (1.. 3) n2 - frequency (0..65535) n3 - wave type ( $17,33,65,129$ ) n4 - key relationship low (0..255) n5 - key relationship high (0..15) The key relationship is relevant only for wave type 65=PULSE n6 - duration (-32768..32767) Duration of the created tone. A dummy delay loop will be executed once per entity.

VOLUMB $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { n --- } \\ & \text { Define the volume level (0..15) }\end{aligned}$
NOISE --- 129
The constant 129 is placed on the stack for creation of noise.

PULSE
-- 65
The constant 65 is placed on the stack for the creation of a tone with a square wave.

SAWTOOTH -- 33
The constant 33 is placed on the stack for creation of a tone with a sawtooth wave.

TRIANGLE
-- 17
The constant 17 is placed on the stack for creation of a tone with a triangle wave.

SID
The address of the SID (decimal 54272) is placed on the stack.

The command voIce is to be given after the volume and waveform have been set.

### 5.2 A first composition with sound

With the words just described you can play a few tones on your c-64:

Enter the following commands:
15 VOLUME CR (maximum volume for the new music) 19308 ENVELOPE CR (these are the settings recommended for piano in the C64 user's guide)
and finally
17493 PULSE 25512000 VOICE CR (create the def. tone)
You now hear the famous concert-pitch A!
If you play around a bit with the settings for ENVELOPE and VOICE, you will notice a greater or lesser change in the tone (after VOICE) in contrast to the last tone.

When you have discovered a combination which you want to keep, you should define it as a new word.

You can recognize through these examples how easy it is to experiment with Forth and how Forth programs can be tested as the individual parts are written.

Try out the second and third voices in the same way:
20152400 ENVBLOPB CR
and 39610010 ENVELOPE CR
In the Commodore 64 User's Guide, the second setting in combination with the waveform TRIANGLE and the third setting in combination with the waveform SAWTOOTH are valid parameters for organ and trumpet sounds. Your own experiments will no doubt bring you still closer to this ideal.

You can use the following program as atarting point to create a composition for piano, organ, and trumpet--a combination seldom used today.

```
SCR # 15
    O P ( CHAMBER MUSIC #l, PIANO, ORGAN, TRUMPET DEFINITIONS )
    l P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
    2 P (ENVELOPB DEFINITIONS)
    3 : PIANO ( -- WAVE )
    4 P SOUND 1 9 3 50 8 ENVELOPE
    5 P ;
    6 P
    7 : ORGAN ( -- WAVB)
    8 P SOUND 2 0 15 240 0 ENVELOPE
    9 P ;
10 P
11 P : TRUMPET ( -- WAVE)
12 P SOUND 3 96 0 0 5 ENVELOPE
13 P ;
14 P
15 P - ( DEFINITION CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGB)
```

SCR \# 16
0 P ( CHAMBER MUSIC \#2, PLAY)
1 P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
2 P : PLAY (MAKE MUSIC)
$3 \mathrm{P} \quad 15$ VOLUME (FULL VOLUME)
4 P PIANO ORGAN TRUMPET (ENVELOPBS)
5 P BEGIN
$6 \mathrm{P} \quad 3$ RND $1+$ ( RANDOM VOICE)
$7 \mathrm{P} \quad$ CASE
$8 \mathrm{P} \quad 1$ OF 1 PULSE ENDOF
$9 \mathrm{P} \quad 2$ OF 2 TRIANGLE ENDOF
$10 \mathrm{P} \quad 3$ OF 3 SAWTOOTH BNDOF
11 P ENDCASE
$12 \mathrm{~F} \quad 5000$ RND $5000+$ SWAP (FREQUBNCY)
13 P 2405 (KBY RELATIONSHIP)
$14 \mathrm{P} \quad 16$ RND $4-1000$ * VOICE
15 P ? TERMINAL UNTIL; (UNTIL STOP KEY PRESSED)

Load this program with 15 LOAD CR and start it with the command PLAY. It plays until you press the STOP key (probably quite soon).

## 6. Graphics with the graphics vocabulary

### 6.1 Lo-res

You can not only make music with Forth-64, you can also create pictures and graphics. The GRAPHIC vocabulary helps you with this in hi-res while some words in the primary vocabulary of Forth help in lo-res.

You have already become acquainted with some words for outputting to the screen in chapter 2: the colors and the words BORDER, SCREEN, and PEN.

If you want to write a character at an certain spot on the screen or you want to know what character is located there, you need the words $S$ : and $S$. Both words require the screen coordinates on the steck in the form (line, column):
$\mathrm{Se} \quad \mathrm{l}$ c-- a yields the code of the character in the lth line, cth column

S
a 1 c --
writes (pokes) the character a in line l, column $c$ on the screen

The following is a small program which tests the random number generator:

```
SCR * 20
    O P ( RANDOM NUMBER TESTER ?RND )
    1 P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
    2 P : ?RND
    3 P ( INITIALIZE FIRST SCREEN)
    4 P 1024 1000 ASCII O FILL
    5 P BEGIN
    P 1000 RND ( RANDOM 0.999)
    7 P 40 /MOD ( COLUMN, LINE)
    8 P SWAP ( EXCHANGE)
    9 P 2DUP Se ( CHARACTER)
10 P 1+ -ROT ( ADD 1)
11 P S! (SAVE)
12 P ?TERMINAL UNTIL ( UNTIL STOP IS PRESSED)
13 P ;
14 P ; S
15 P
```

You can load this program with LOAD 20 and execute it with ?RND CR.

## 6. 2 Hi -res

Better quality pictures can be created in the hi-res mode. The words which you need to do this are found in the GRAPHIC vocabulary which is described in its entirety in the next section. Enter the word GRAPHIC CR before you enter any graphics commands, or Forth will not understand the following commands.

You can see what the high-resolution screen looks like before you have drawn something on it by entering the command \&HI-RES or simply by pressing the F3 key. The picture which you see consists of many small, multi-colored squares. Clear the screen with the command \&CLEAR.

You must enter this command blindly (if you have not switched back to the text mode [F4]), meaning that the letters which you type will not appear on the screen. Your input will be accepted and processed nevertheless.

The screen and writing colors can also be set in the hi-res mode (independent of the text screen), with the graphics words \&PAPER and \&INK. Enter:

GRAPHIC YELLOW \&PAPER BLACK \&INK \&CLEAR CR
If you take a look at the graphics screen with F3, you will see that it looks much nicer than before.

If you want to put a very small point in the extreme lower-left corner, enter the following instruction:
$1008 S!\quad C R$
(If Forth communicates its lack of understanding with the message "\&S! ?", tell it that the word \&S! is in the GRAPHIC vocabulary--command GRAPHIC CR--otherwise Forth will look in the SOUND vocabulary for the graphics words.)

Note that in high-resolution mode the origin ( 0,0 ) is the in the lower left-hand corner and the coordinates in the $x$-direction go up to 319 and up to 199 in the $y$-direction.

Another graphics word which you will probably use quite often is \&LINE. It draws or erases a line between two given points, depending on whether or not the first parameter is zero (if zero, the line is erased). Example: \&HI-RES 1010 5050 \&LINE CR

You can save your current graphics screen to disk with the command \&SAVE or load it in with \&LOAD, for example:

```
" IST PICTURE" 8 &SAVE CR
```

You can learn how to paint with the cursor and function keys in the following program.

SCR * 25
0 P ( PAINT PICTURE \#1, PS, AMOVE )
1 P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
2 P
$\begin{array}{llll}3 & P & 1 \\ 4 & P\end{array}$
$\left.\begin{array}{lll}4 \mathrm{P} & (\text { PEN ABSOLUTE MOVEMENT }) \\ 5 & \mathrm{P} & (\text { COORDINATES XO, YO }\end{array}\right)$
$6 \mathrm{P}: \mathrm{AMOVE}$ ( -- )
7 P GRAPHIC PS 0
$8 \mathrm{P} \quad 0<0=\mathrm{IF}$
9 P
10 P
11 P
12 P
PS e
(X0) e
(YO) e
\&S!
13 P
END I F
14 P ; -->
15 P

SCR * 26
0 P ( PAINT PICTURE *3, RMOVE)
1 P FORTH DEFINITONS DECIMAL
2 P (PEN AT DX,DY MOVE)
$3 \mathbf{P}:$ RMOVE ( $D X, D Y--)$
4 P GRAPHIC
$5 \mathrm{P} \quad 2$ ?ENOUGH
$6 \mathrm{P} \quad(\mathrm{YO})+!(X 0)+$ !
7 P AMOVE
8 P ;
9 P -->
10 P
11 P
12 P
13 P
14 P
15 P

```
SCR # 27
    O P ( PAINT PICTURE #3, CURSER MOVEMENTS )
    1 P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
    2 P
    P
    4 : CRIGHT l 0 RMOVE ;
    5 P CLEFT - - 0 RMOVE ;
    6 P CUP 0 1 RMOVE
    7 : CDOWN O -1 RMOVE ;
    8 P
    9 P -->
10 P
11 P CHECK FOR DIAGONAL
12 P MOVEMENT DEFINED
13 P : UPRIGHT l l RMOVE ;
14 P
15 P
SCR # 28
    O P ( PAINT PICTURE #4, CHG-PS TOGGLEPIX)
    I P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
    2 P
    P P ( PBN STATUS CHANGBS )
    4 P : CHG-PS
    5P PS e
    6 P O=
    7 P PS :
    8 P ;
    9 P ( PIXEL ERASE/SET )
10 P : TOGGLEPIX
11 P GRAPHIC (XO) O (YO) ©
12 P 2DUP &SE
13 P O= -ROT &S:
14 P ;
15 P -->
SCR # 29
    O P ( PAINT PICTURE #4, PEN-UP )
    l P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
    2 P
    3P ( PEN RAISED UP )
    4 P : PEN-UP
    5P -1 PS :
    P P ;
    7P
    8 P
    9P
10 P
11 P
12 P
13 P
14 P
15 P
```

When you have compiled these screens (25 LOAD compiles all of them up to screen 29, or to screen 31 if you compile the programs on the distribution disk), you can paint your first pictures by command. For example, set the starting position of your picture in the middle of the graphics screen with 160 ( X 0 ) ! 100 (YO) : CR and then use CRIGHT to move to a position to the right, CUP to move up, etc. A new point will be set or erased at the new location depending on the value of the variable PS. If PS has the value 0 , it works like an eraser, and if PS is l, like a writing pen and if $P S=-1$, nothing happens--the pen is of $f$ the paper.

Drawing with these relatively long words is naturally somewhat tiresome. We will now draw with the cursor and function keys using the key assignment methods mentioned in chapter 2. To do this we must create a table (we call it PTABLE):

```
SCR # 30
    0 P ( PAINT PICTURE #6, PRETURN, PTABLE )
    l P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
    2 P : PRETURN ( SET LO-RES AND STANDARD KEY TABLE )
    3 P GRAPHIC
    4 P &LO-RES FFTABLE TO .NKEY
    5 P ;
    6 P 0 variable ptable -2 allot
    7 P 29 CAP CRIGHT ( ASSIGN CURSOR-RIGHT )
    P P 157 CAP CLEFT ( ASSIGN CURSOR-LEFT )
    9 P 145 CAP CUP
10 P 17 CAP CDOWN
11 P 133 CAP CHG-PS ( CHANGE PS IF Fl )
12 P 134 CAP PEN-UP ( PEN UP )
13 P 135 CAP TOGGLEPIX
14 P 136 CAP PRETURN
15 P O C, - - (END ENTERING OF KEY TABLE )
SCR * 31
    O P ( PAINT PICTURE #7 OF 7, PSTART )
    l P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
    2 P : PSTART ( START PAINT )
    3 P GRAPHIC
    4 P 160 (XO) !
    5 P 100 (YO) :
    6 P PTABLE TO .NKEY
    7 P &HI-RES
    8 P ; ; S
    9 P
10 P
11 P FINISHED:
12 P
13 P
14 P
15 P
```

Compile the screens ( 30 LOAD CR, unless you have already compiled them with the 25 LOAD command, enter the command PSTART CR, and draw using the four cursor keys. Note: If you accidentally press a key to which a special function has not been assigned, the key assignment is deactivated until you press RETURN (see chapter 2).

### 6.3 Descriptions of the graphics comands

| \& CLEAR | Clear the graphics screen. |
| :---: | :---: |
| \& HI -RES | --- |
|  | Switch to the HI-RES mode. |
| \& INK | $n$--- |
|  | Set plotting color. |
| \&LINE |  |
|  | Draw/erase a line between $x 1, y l$ and $x 2, y 2$ based on the condition of the flag $f$. |
| \& LO-RES | --- |
|  | Switch to the lo-res mode. |
| \& LOAD | st dev <br> Load hi-res graphics from device dev (disk=8), |
|  | filest. |
| \&PAINT | addr --- |
|  | Initialize a byte with the paper and pen color at address addr in the graphics memory. |
| \&PAPER | b --- |
|  | Set background color. |
| 8SAVE | st dev --- |
|  | Save hi-res graphics to device dev (disk=8), file st. Example: " PICTUREl" 8 \&SAVE CR . |
| *Se | $x$ y --- $f$ |
|  | Return the value of the pixel at $x, y$. |
| 8S: | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{y}$--- |
|  | Set ( $f=T R U B$ ) or erase ( $f=$ FALSE) a point at $x, y$. |
| (\&ADD) | $x$ y --- addr |
|  | Return the relative pixel address in the graphics memory for the coordinates $x$ and $y$. |
| (\&ECM) | --- |
|  | Turn extended color mode on. |
| (\&CADD) | $x$ y --- addr |
|  | Return the relative address of the coordinates $x$ and $y$ in the color memory. |
| (\%MASK) | $x$--- m |
|  | Return the mask of the xth bit of a byte in the graphics memory. |

```
(BMCM)
    Turn on multi-color mode.
(BaSBM)
    Set standard bit map.
(BSSCM)
    Turn on single-color mode.
(&,TM)
    Return to text mode.
(DX) --- addr
    Temporary variable.
(DY) --- addr
    Temporary variable.
(X0) --- addr
    Temporary variable for x-coordinate.
(Y0) --- addr
    Temporary variable for y-coordinate.
SET-AREA addrl addr2 ---
    Set address range for graphic mode in VIC.
    addrl=color range, addr2=pixel range
```


## 7. The Forth Assembler

### 7.1 General

Forth-64 contains a complete assembler. With this it is possible to program particularly time-critical functions and to call these as any other Forth word.

The user will not know (except through the speed with which a particular function is performed), whether a word is written in Forth or in assembler. The assembler need not be loaded separately--it is always available.

The Forth assembler naturally contains all of the 6502 commands. In addition, it even makes a kind of structured programming possible with the help of the words BEGIN, AGAIN, UNTIL, IF, ELSE, and ENDIF. The words which return the conditions for the corresponding conditionals are called VS, $>=, 0<, 0=, C S$, and $N O T$ and checking the individual bits of the status bytes.

There are some deviations from normal assembly language programming. For example, all mnemonics are concluded with a comma in order to prevent name conflicts with other forth words. The same reverse-Polish notation exists in the assembler, which means that the operand is written first followed by the operator. A modifying term may come between the two (for immediate, indexed, or indirect addressing).

Some simple commands are:

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { 4 \# LDA, } & \text { LDA \#4 } \\
\text { XSAVE STX, instead of } & \text { STX XSAVE } \\
50 \text { JMP, } & \\
\text { JMP (0050) }
\end{array}
$$

If assembler programs are to be called as Forth words, a few things must be taken into consideration.

- Forth uses the $X$-register as a stack pointer. If the assembly language program makes use of the $X$ register in other ways, it must first save its value. The variable xSAVE is used for this purpose. It must naturally be restored at the end of the assembly language program.
- Since the stack serves as an interface for passing parameters, there are little aids for processing the information: the words BOT and SEC for passing parameters and the jump labels PUSH, PUSHO, PUT, PUTOA, and NEXT. The instructions BOT LDA and BOT $1+$ LDA return the top two bytes on the stack. The second element on the stack can be obtained by indexing SEC instead of BOT.
- Assembly language programs can also begin with the word label. They are not then addressable directly from Forth but can only be used as subroutines from other assembly language programs.
- Finally, there are certain return points to Forth to which a jump must be made with JMP at the end of the assembly language program. If the stack is not to be changed, one uses the symbolic address NEXT, otherwise POP, PUSH, PUSHOA, or PUT as required.


### 7.2 The Assembler Vocabulary

This list does not describe all of the actual assembler memonics. Their exact meaning can be found in a book about 6502 assembly language programming. All of these commands are recognized by the Forth assembler provided a comma is added after the mnemonic.

Example: JMP, INX, ...
The structured words BEGIN, AGAIN, UNTIL, IF, ELSE, and ENDIF are similarly explained. Their meanings are the same as those for the corresponding Forth vocabulary.

This leaves the Forth-specific address modifiers as well as some global assembler labels.

| IP | : | Address of the $I$ (nterpretive) $P$ (ointer) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W | : | Address of the code field pointer |
| N | : | Address of an 8-byte scratch area |
| R | : | Pointer to the return stack |
| XSAVE | : | Address of the save register for $X$ |
| UP | : | Address of an 8-byte area for the user parameters |
| . A | : | Denotes the accumulator addressing mode |
| * | : | Immediate addressing |
| ) | : | Indirect addressing |
| , X , Y | : | Indexed addressing |
| X) ) $\mathbf{Y}$ | : | Indirect indexed addressing |
| BOT | : | Address of the low byte of a l6-bit quantity in, $X$ mode. The $X$-register points to the current data stack in the zero-page. |
| BOT 1+ | : | Address of the high byte of a l6-bit quantity in , $X$ mode. The $X$-register points to the current data stack in the zero-page. |
| SEC | : | Address of the low byte of the second quantity on the data stack. |
| SEC $1+$ | : | Address of the high byte of the second quantity on the data stack. |


| PUT | : | Address of a routine which replaces the high byte of the data stack with the contents of the accumulator and the low byte with the top byte on the machine stack; used by NEXT. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PUSH | : | Like PUT, but the word is pushed on the stack. |
| SETUP | : | Address of a routine which transfers (pops) n l6-bit words from the stack to the temporary area $N$. The number $n$ is expected in the accumulator. |
| BINARY | : | Address of a routine which removes the top word from the data stack and then executes PUT. |
| POP | ; | Address of a routine which removes a word from the data stack. |
| POPTWO | : | Like POP, but removes two words. |
| PUSHOA | : | Like PUSH, but the high byte is not taken from the stack but is set to 0 . |
| NBXT | : | Address of the inner interpreter. All routines jump to NEXT directly (NEXT JMP,) or indirectly (such as PUSH, PUT) |

### 7.3 A Small Assembly Language Progran

The c-64 user knows of the possibility to redirect output from the screen to some other device with the help of the CMD command:

OPEN 4,4
CMD 4
An assembly language routine in Forth which does something like this could look like the following:

SCR * 40
0 P ( SCREEN OUTPUT TO PRINTER : CMD )
1 P FORTH DEFINITIONS HEX
2 P CODE CMD ( START OF AN ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE PROGRAM)
3 P XSAVE STX, ( SAVE STACK POINTER)
4 P 4 * LDA, TAX, 0 * LDY,
5 P FFBA JSR, (SETPAR )
6 P 0 * LDA, FFBD JSR, FFCO JSR,
7 P 4 * LDX, FFC9 JSR, ( CKOUT)
8 P XSAVE LDX,
9 P NEXT JMP,
10 P END-CODE
11 P
12 P CODE RESET ( RESET SCREEN)
13 P XSAVE STX, FFCC JSR, XSAVE LDX,
14 P NEXT JMP,
15 P END-CODE DECIMAL
You can now redirect output from the screen to the printer with the command CMD. You can send it back to the screen with RBSET. A routine which outputs screens first to the screen and then to the printer looks like this:

SCR * 41
0 P ( PRINT ROUTINE: PRINT, ANALOG TO LIST )
1 P FORTH DEFINITIONS DECIMAL
2 P : PRINT ( SCR -- )
3 P RESET
4 P DUP LIST ( FIRST TO SCREEN )
5 P CMD LIST ( THEN PRINTER )
6 P RESET
7 P ;
8 P ; S
9 P
10 P
11 P
12 P
13 P
14 P
15 P
When you have loaded the word PRINT, you can print the above FORTH screen with the command: 41 PRINT CR.
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## 8. Miscellaneous

A few suggestions when programming Forth:

- Use short words.
- Use the words :CSP and ?CSP.
- Check at the beginning of each word to see if enough space is left on the stack for the word to function properly (word ?ENOUGH). Most system crashes result from stack overflow or underflow.
- Execute the BOOT parameters once you have tested your new words and want to keep them. If your system should crash later, then you can recover the complete system with RUN/STOP + RESTORE and a bit of luck.

The BOOT parameter can be set as follows:
HERE FENCE !
HERE 28 +ORIGIN ! ( FENCE )
HERE 30 +ORIGIN ! ( DP )
LATEST 12 +ORIGIN : ( TOP NFA)
If you have established a new vocabulary, you must actualize it with the appropriate reference:
, vocabulary name $6+32$ +ORIGIN !

- The error message NO CHANNEL from the disk drive can be removed with the command CLOSE-SCREEN. If this doesn't work, the assigned channel must be freed with a selective cLOSE.
- Forth words may never contain characters with an ASCII value greater than l27, in particular no upper-case letters in screen mode 2 of the C -64 (upper/lower case mode).

Strings such as ." This is text that works!", may contain such characters without difficulty.

## Appendiz 1 Memory Map



All operating system routines are available without limitation provided they do not access the data stack in the zero page.

## Appendix 2

## The Forth vocabulary

The following list includes only words in the dictionary "FORTH". Words in the other vocabularies EDITOR, SOUND, GRAPHIC, and ASSEMBLER have already been described in their own chapters.
*** Symbols used:
addr memory address
b 8-bit byte (left byte=0)
c 7-bit ASCII character (right-justified, msb=0)
d 32-bit (double precision) integer
f logical indicator (flag), $0=f a l s e$, else true
ff false flag ( $=0$ )
$n$ integer (16-bit)
tf true flag ( $\langle>0$ )
u unsigned 16-bit integer
st string variable (corresponds to $n, b$ for address and length of a string)

In some places, numbers will appear in the stack diagram instead of the above symbols. These are constants which are to be used as synonym of system address in the c64. They are given in hexadecimal form.

Upper-case letters on the right-hand side indicate certain attributes of the definition:

```
P precedence bit set (definition is "immediate")
U user variable
```

| ! | n addr --- ${ }_{\text {Stores }}$ the word $n$ at addr (pronounced "store"). |
| :---: | :---: |
| ! CSP | Stores stack pointer in CSP (corresponds to ?CSP). |
| " | --- st |
|  | Places the following text concluded with a |
|  | constant. |
| * | d1 --- d2 |
|  | Creates the next character for output from a |
|  | double-length integer. The result d2 is the |
|  | quotient of the division by BASE. Used between <\# |
|  | and *) (see also \#S). |
| \# ${ }^{\text {- }}$ | d --- addr count |
|  | Ends the numeric conversion for output. The result |
|  | on the stack is the address and length (in bytes) |
|  | of the string to be printed. Can be directly |
|  | accepted by TYPE. |
| *S | dl --- d2 |
|  | Creates ASCII text in the text output buffer by |
|  | using *, until the double word d2 has the value |
| \$ ! | stl st2 |
|  | Store string stl in the string variable st2. |
| \$ + | stl st2 --- st |
|  | Concatenation of two strings; result in PAD. |
| \$2C+ | st n --- st |
|  | Lengthens the string st by the word $n$ (2 characters). |
| \$ ${ }^{+}$ | st b --- st |
|  | Lengthens the string st by the character b. |
| \$LEFT | n st $\cdots$ st |
|  | Yields the first $n$ characters of the string st in |
|  | PAD. |
| \$LEN | st --- b |
|  | Returns current length of a string. |
| \$MID | nl n2 st --- st |
|  | Returns the characters nl to $n 2$ of the string st (in PAD). |
| \$MLEN | st --- $n$ |
|  | Returns the maximum character length of the string variable st. |

\$RIGHT nst --- st
Returns all characters from the $n$th character on of the string st (in PAD).
\$STR d --- st
Converts do a string (placed in PAD).
\$VAL st --- d
Converts a string to an integer d.
\$VARIABLE b ---
Definition word, used in the form $b$ SVARIABLE cccc. A string variable with the maximum length b is defined. Calling cccc places the address and length of the current string on the stack.
$\cdots \quad$ …
Used in the form: nnnn
The address of the parameter field of the word nnnn is placed on the stack. The address is compiled as a literal in a ': definition.

Used in the form:
( ccce)
for writing comments which are closed on the same line with ). A space must follow the " (".

The run-time procedure which outputs the following inline text on the output device. Called by .".
(+LOOP) $\quad n \quad--$
The run-time procedure through which +LOOP is compiled; increments the loop counter by n and checks the exit condition (see +LOOP).
(ABORT)
Called after an error if WARNING contains the value - 1 .
(DO)
The run-time procedure compiled by the do instruction; transfers the loop counter to the return stack (see DO).

| (FIND) | addrl addr2 --- pfa b $t f$;if found addrl addr2 --- ff if not found The dictionary is searched starting at the namefield address addr2 for the string at addrl. If the string is found, the address of the parameter field, the length byte of the name field, and the true indicator are all placed on the stack, else only the false indicator is left on the stack. This word is called by -FIND and is normally used only by the system. |
| :---: | :---: |
| (KEY) | Run-time routine of $K B Y$. Returns the code of the next-pressed key (without waiting for $C R$ ). |
| (LINE) | nl n2 --- addr count <br> Returns the length and internal buffer address of line $n l$ on screen $n 2$. |
| (LOOP) | $\qquad$ <br> The run-time procedure compiled by the LOOP instruction; increments the loop counter by 1 and checks the exit condition (system routine). |
| ( NUMBER) | d1 addrl --- d2 addr2 <br> Converts the ASCII text at address addrl+1 to the current base. The new value is constructed in di and placed in d2. addr2 is the new address of the first unconverted character. Used by NUMBER. (system routine) |
| (SETFPA) | ```chamn dev Serves as label for assembler routines in order to set file parameters (system routine).``` |
| (SETFNA) | $\qquad$ <br> Serves as label for assembler routines in order to pass a new filename to the operating system. |
| * | n1 n2 --- prod <br> The result is the product of the top two stack values. |
| */ | n1 n2 n3 - n4 <br> n4 $=\mathrm{n} 1 * \mathrm{n} 2 / \mathrm{n} 3$. The $31-\mathrm{bit}$ intermediate result nl*n2 is divided by n3. The accurecy is therefore greater than the sequence n1 n2*n3/ |
| */MOD | n1 n2 n3 --- n4 n5 <br> n5 is the quotient, n4 the remainder of the operation $n l * n 2 / n 3$. A $31-b i t$ intermediate result allows higher accuracy. |
| + | nl n2 --- sum n 1 and n 2 are added. |


| +! | ```n addr n is added to the value in addr. The result is stored in addr. (pronounced "plus store")``` |
| :---: | :---: |
| +- | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { n1 n2 } & \text { n3 } \\ \text { n3 } & =\operatorname{SGN}(\mathrm{n} 2) * \mathrm{ABS}(\mathrm{n} 1) \end{array}$ |
| +BUF | addrl -- addr2 $f$ <br> Advances the disk buffer address addrl to the address of the next buffer, addr2. The flag f has the value false if addr2 is the buffer which the variable PREV references. |
| + L00 P | $n 1$ $\qquad$ <br> Used in $a^{\prime}$ : definition in the form: DO ... nl +LOOP <br> The loop counter is incremented or decremented by nl as appropriate. The loop is left when the loop counter reaches or exceeds the end value. If nl is negative, the loop is left when the loop counter reaches or goes under the end value. |
| +ORIGIN | n --- addr <br> Yields the address ORIGIN+n. The parameters for the Forth bootstrap begin at ORIGIN. |
| , | Saves $n$ in the next word of the dictionary. The dictionary pointer is incremented. |
| ' KEY | A user variable. It should contain the address of the routine (KBY). |
| - | nl n2 <br> diff diff=nl-n2 |
| --> | Compilation of the input from the disk will be continued on the next page. |
| - DUP | $\begin{array}{lllll} \text { nl } & --- & \text { nl } & & \text { if } \\ \text { nl } l=0 \\ \text { nl } & --- & \text { nl } & \text { nl } & \text {; if } \\ \text { nl } \end{array}$ <br> nl is duplicated if it is not zero. <br> The usual application is a -DUP right before an IF so that no DROP instruction is necessary in the BLSE part. |
| -ROT | n1 n2 n3 --- n3 nl n2 <br> Rotates the top three stack elements in the direction opposite that in which ROT works. |


| -FIND | … pfabtififfound <br> --- ff ;if not found <br> The next string, delimited by spaces, in the input is transferred to HERE. The CONTBXT vocabulary and, if not found, the CURRENT vocabulary is searched for an identical name header. If found, the parameter field address, the count byte, and the true flag are placed on the stack, else only the false indicator. |
| :---: | :---: |
| - TRAILING | addr $n l$ - addr $n 2$ <br> The number of characters in a text string of length nl is shortened by the number of blanks found at the end. |
| . | $n$--- <br> Outputs the value $n$ in the current number BASE. A space is printed after the output. (pronounced "dot") |
| ." | Used in the form: " cccc" <br> Compiles the following string up to the delimiter ". This string is printed at run time. |
| . LINE | line scr --- <br> The line, line, of screen scr is printed on the terminal. Blanks at the end of the text are suppressed. |
| . R | $\mathrm{n} 1 \mathrm{n} 2$ <br> Outputs the number nl right-justified in a field of length n2. |
| . S | Writes the entire stack contents (without destroying them) to the output device. |
| / | nl n2 --- quot quot $=\mathrm{nl} / \mathrm{n} 2$ |
| /MOD | nl n2 --- rem quot <br> Integer division with remainder. The remainder has the same sign as the dividend. |
| 0123 | These often-used numbers are defined as constants in the dictionary. |
| $0<$ | Sets the flag true if $n<0$, else false. |
| $0=$ | Sets the flag true if $n=0$, else false. |


| $1+$ | n1 --- n2 <br> Increments nl by 1. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 10* | nl $\quad$ n2 $\quad$ nl $\quad$ by $\quad 10 \quad$ (fast $\quad$ assembler Multiplies wultiplication). |
| 2! | d addr <br> Store double word at address addr. |
| 2+ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { nl } \quad \text { n2 } \\ & \text { Increment nl by } 2 . \end{aligned}$ |
| 20 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { addr --- d } \\ & \text { Copy double word at address addr to the stack. } \end{aligned}$ |
| 2CONSTANT | d --- <br> A definition word. Defined in the form d 2CONSTANT cccc. When cccc is called, the double-precision constant $d$ is placed on the stack. |
| 2VARIABLE | A definition word. Defined in the form d 2VARIABLE cccc. When cccc is called, the address of the variable which contains the double word is placed on the stack. |
| 2DROP | d --- <br> Removes two words from the stack. |
| 2DUP | ```d --- d d Duplicates a double word on the stack.``` |
| 2SWAP | d1 d2 --- d2 dl <br> Bxchanges two double words on the stack. |
| : | Used in a': definition in the form: <br> : cccc ... ; <br> Defines a new word in the dictionary which is equivalent to the instructions represented here with "..." . The definition is ended with; . <br> The context vocabulary is set to the current vocabulary; words whose precedence bit is set are executed instead of compiled. |

P
The ': definition and the compile mode are ended.

Used in order to stop the compilation of acreen at any location.
nl n2 --- $f$
Sets the flag to true if $n l<n 2$, else false.

```
dl－－－d2
Starting instruction of formatted numerical output：
〈\＃\＃\＃S SIGN \＃〉
The double word on the stack is converted，the created text placed in PAD．
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＜BUILDS
Used in a＇：＇definition in the form：
：cccc＜BUILDS ．．．DOES〉 ．．．；
When cccc is called，a new high－level word will be defined．The call in the form：
cccc nnnn
causes the instructions behind＜BUILDS to be executed．A new word with the name nnnn will be defined．
Run－time procedures can be written in high－level code with the 〈BUILDS ．．．DOES〉 construction．
＜SHIFT n b－－－
Shifts the word $n$ left by bits．
Can be used for a fast multiplication by 2.
nl n2－－－$f$
Sets the flag true if $n l=n 2$ ，otherwise false．
nl n2 $\cdots$ f
Sets the flag true if nl＞n2，otherwise false．
＞CMOVE nl n2 n3－－－
Moves $n 3$ bytes at address nl forward to address n2．Ranges may overlap，in contrast to CMOVE．
$>R$
＞SHIFT $\quad$ n b－－－
Shifts the word $n$ right by bits．
addr－－－
Outputs the value in addr in the current base， format－free．
？COMP
Outputs an error message if the system is not in compile mode．
？CSP
Outputs an error message if the stack pointer does not agree with the value found in CSP（see ！CSP）．
?DISC
Checks the condition of the disk drive and outputs this on the screen. Called when the light on the drive flashes.
? ENOUGH
$n$---
A check is made to see if at least $n$ values can still be stored on the stack.
?ERROR
f $n$-- -
Outputs the error message $n$ if the flag $f$ is true. line $n$ from SCR*4 is printed. n may also be larger than 15, resulting in lines from the following screens being printed.
? EXEC
Outputs an error message if the system is not in execute mode.
? LOADING
Outputs an error message if loading is not currently going on.
?PAIRS nl n2 ---
Outputs an error message if nl<>n2. This instruction checks to see if two structured language elements belong together or not.
?STACK
Outputs an error message if a stack overflow occurs.
?TERMINAL --- $f$
A test is made to see if the RUN/STOP key is being pressed. A false flag indicates that this is not the case.

- addr --- $n$

The contents of address addr are placed on the stack.

ABORT

ABS
Initializes the two stacks and sets the execute mode. The computer uses standard input and output and outputs the start-up message.
n --- u
The absolute value of $n$ is generated.
AGAIN
Used in a ': definition in the form: BEGIN ... AGAIN
Jumps back to the corresponding BEGIN. The stack remains unchanged. The loop can only be exited through the sequence $R$ ) DROP.

| ALLOT | n --- <br> The integer $n$ is added to the dictionary pointer. This instruction is used to reserve space in the dictionary. |
| :---: | :---: |
| AND | n 1 n 2 --- n3 <br> Bit-wise logical AND. |
| ASCII | Returns the ASCII value of the first character of the following word. Example: ASCII A places 65 on the stack. |
| B/BUF | --- $n$ <br> The number of bytes per disk buffer (=64) is placed on the stack. |
| B/SCR | The number of disk buffers per screen (=16) is placed on the stack. By definition, one screen is 1024 bytes large. It is then divided into 16 lines of 64 characters each. |
| BACK | addr <br> The offaet from HERE to addr for a backwards jump is calculated and compiled into the next free space in the dictionary. |
| BASE | --- addr <br> User variable which contains the current conversion base for input/output. |
| BEGIN |  |
|  | BBGIN marks the start of a set of commands which can be repeated. This point serves as a jump destination for the corresponding UNTIL, AGAIN, or REPEAT. |
| BL | The ASCII character BLANK is placed on the stack. |
| BLACK | --- 0 <br> Returns the constant 0 as the color value for black. |
| BLANKS | addr nl --- <br> Overwrites nl bytes at addr with blanks. |


| BLK | ```--- addr User variable. Contains the number of the block which is currently being compiled. Zero indicates input from the terminal.``` |
| :---: | :---: |
| BLOAD | vaddr st n2 n3 |
|  | Binary load of a file from disk. vaddr is the start address at which the file is to |
|  | be loaded. <br> st denotes the filename. |
|  | n2 and n3 indicate the channel ( 0 or 1 ) and the device number ( $=8$ ) of the file to be loaded. Note: |
|  | When using channel 1 , the file is placed at the original address. The value of vaddr is then irrelevant, but may not be omitted. |
| B LOCK | n --- addr |
|  | Places on the stack the memory address addr of the |
|  | block buffer which contains block $n$. If block $n$ is |
|  | not currently in memory, it will be written to the |
|  | "oldest" buffer. If the contents of this buffer are marked for "UPDATE," its contents are first |
|  | written to disk (see BUFFER, R/W, UPDATE, FLUSH). |
| BLUE | - 6 |
|  | Returns the constant 6 as the color value for blue. |
| BMOVE | addr |
|  | Moves a string from PAD to addr. |
| BORDER | b |
|  | Sets the color of the screen border to color b. |
| BROWN | - 9 |
|  | Returns the constant 9 for the color value of brown. |
| BSAVE | addrl addr2 st n2 n3 |
|  | Binary save of a file to disk. |
|  | addrl and addr2 indicate the range (from-to) which |
|  | is to be written to the file. |
|  | st denotes the filename. <br> n2 and n3 denote the channel ( 0 or l) and device |
|  | number ( $=8$ ) of the file to be saved. |
| BUFFER | $n$--- addr |
|  | Finds the next disk block buffer and assigns it to |
|  | $b l o c k n$. If the current contents of the buffer are |
|  | marked as updated, they will first be written to |
|  | the disk before the next block is read. The block |
|  | is not read from the disk. The address returned on the stack is the start address of the data to be |
|  | read. |

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C: b addr ---
Stores the byte \(b\) in the address addr.
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C, $\quad$ Stores the byte $b$ in the next free space in the
dictionary. The dictionary pointer is incremented
by 1 .
CAP b ---
Writes a three-byte entry of the form $b$ (l byte) $n$
(the CFA of the following word) in the dictionary.
Required for key assignment, for example: 133 CAP
?DISC .

CASE

C/L - n
Returns the number of characters per line (64).
addr ~-- b
Places 8 bits of addr on the stack (see ©).
pfa --- cfa
Converts the parameter-field address to its codefield address.

CIAl
--- DC00
Returns the address of the CIAl in the C-64.
CIA2 --- DDOO
Returns the address of the CIA2 in the $\mathbf{C - 6 4}$.
Clear ---
Clears the stack.
CLIT --- b
Exactly as LIT, only works with a byte instead of a word. CLIT executes faster than LIT.

CLOSE nl n2 ---
The device $n 2$ addressed over channel nl with OPEN is closed.

|  | Closes the file SCR (see OPBN-SCREEN). |
| :---: | :---: |
| cmove | addrl addr2 $n$ |
|  | Transfers $n$ bytes from address addrl to address addr2. The transfer is done from the lowest address up, meaning that the first address is addrl, then addrl+1, and so on. |
| COLD |  |
|  | The cold-start procedure in order to initialize |
|  | the system. |
|  | Cold can be activated from the terminal in order |
|  | system. |
| colorarea | --- n - |
|  | A variable; it contains the start of the color memory for graphics. |
| COMB INE | bl b2 --- $n$ |
|  | Combines the two bytes bl (low) and b2 (high) into one word $n$. |
| COMPILE |  |
|  | Compiles the CFA (code field address) of the |
|  | following word into the next free space in the |
|  |  |
| CONSTANT |  |
|  | Serves to define constants. Used in the form $n$ CONSTANT ccce |
|  | in order to define a word cccc with the value $n$. cccc is then equivalent to $n$. |
| CONTEXT | --- addr |
|  | User variable. Contains the pointer to the vocabulary in which searches for words will start. |
| CONTROL |  |
|  | Returns the CONTROL code of the following |
|  | character. This corresponds to "Commodore ASCII" |
|  | Example: CONTROL $C$ places 3 on the stack. |
| COUNT | addrl --- addr2 $n$ |
|  | Places on the stack the address addr2 and the |
|  | number of bytes $n$ of the text which starts |
|  | addrl. The text must be of the form such that th |
|  | first byte at addrl contains the length |
|  | the string and the actual text starts at the |
|  | second byte. TYPE follows COUNT in typical |
|  | applications. |

CR
Causes a linefeed at the terminal.
Create
A word with which one can construct new Forth words. For example:

CREATE cccc
This creates a header for the word to be defined, cccc. The actions which this word is to execute must be compiled into the word with COMPILE, for example.
The smudge bit is set. The word cannot be addressed (it will not be recognized) until the smudge bit is cleared (command SMUDGE).

## CREATE-SCREEN

Establishes a file SCR with a length of 2200 sentences (137 records). The message RECORD NOT PRESENT can be ignored here.
In addition, the screens 4 and 5 (error messages) which should be in the disk buffers are copied into the file.

CSP --- addr U
User variable. Contains the stack pointer.
CURRENT --- addr variable. Contains an indirect reference to the name field address of the definition which was just defined. (see CONTEXT)

CYAN

D+ di d2 --- dsum
Adds the double words dsum=dl+d2.
D+- $\quad \mathrm{d} 1 \mathrm{n}$-- d2
The double word dl contains the sign of $n$.
D.
d ---
Outputs a double word to the output device. (pronounced "D-dot")
D.R d n ---

Outputs the double word $d$ as a signed number in an n-character field.

DABS d --- u
Returns the absolute value of the double word.

DECIMAL
Sets the $1 / 0$ conversion base to 10 .

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DELI
    A user variable which contains the delimiter used
    by the FIND and INSERT routines of the editor.
    Normally this is the English pound sign.
DEPTH --- b
    Returns the "depth" (number of elements) of the
    stack.
DEPINITIONS
Used in the form:
                    cccc DEFINITIONS
Sets the CURRENT vocabulary to the CONTEXT
vocabulary. With this call, the CONTEXT vocabulary
is set to cccc.
DIGIT c nl --- n2 tf ;for valid conversion
c nl --- ff ; for invalid conversion
Converts the ASCII character c to its binary value
n2. The conversion is supplemented with a flag. If
the conversion is unsuccessful, only the flag is
given.
DLITERAL \(d\) - -- \(d\) run-time P During compilation, \(d\) is compiled as a literal. When the definition is later executed, the value is placed on the stack. Nothing happens at run time.
DMINUS dl --- d2 Reverses the sign of dl.
Do nl n2 -- ;run-time
Used in a ':' definition in the form:
DO ... LOOP
DO ... +LOOP
At run-time the loop limit, nl, and the loop index, \(n 2\), are removed from the stack and placed on the return stack. After each pass through the loop, n2 is incremented (by +1 for LOOP, by an arbitrary number for LOOP+). The limit and index are removed from the return stack when the loop is exited. \(n l\) and \(n 2\) are given at run time. The \(I\) instruction within a loop places the current value of the index on the stack. (see I, LOOP, +LOOP, leave).
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DOES )

DONE
Defines the run-time behavior of a word defined through 〈BUILDS ... DOES〉

Closes the editing session, writes all edited screens and takes care of the default assignment of the function keys.

| DOS | st --- <br> Sends a disk command to device number 8. <br> Example: "N:DISKBTTE,0l" DOS. The diskette in device 8 will be formatted (careful!). |
| :---: | :---: |
| DP | --- addr <br> User variable. Contains the address of the pointer which points to the next free space in the dictionary. The value can be read with HERE and can be changed with ALLOT. |
| DPL | User variable. Contains the number of digits to the right of the decimal point in a doubleprecision number. It is also used to define the decimal point for formatted output. The default for single-precision numbers is -1 . |
| D ROP | $n$ is removed from the stack. |
| DUMP | ```addrl addr2 --- ``` |
| DUP | $\begin{aligned} & n \\ & \text { Duplicates } \\ & \text { n the top stack value. } \end{aligned}$ |
| E | Displays the screen last edited (the number is in SCR). |
| EDIT | Displays screen $n$ for editing; $n$ is placed into SCR. The edit mode is enabled and the function keys are reassigned. |
| Eload | The page last edited (number in SCR) is loaded. |
| ELSE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Used in a ': definition in the form: } \\ & \text { IF ... ELSE .. ENDIF } \end{aligned}$ |
| EMIT | Outputs the ASCII character $c$ on the output device. |
| EMPT Y | Erases the entire disk buffer area. |


| ENCLOSE | addrl c --- addrl nl n2 n3 <br> Used by WORD to separate a string. The string begins at addrl. $C$ is the delimiter. The parameters returned are: <br> 1) addrl (as input) <br> 2) nl - the byte offset to the first character different from the delimiter <br> 3) $n 2$-- the byte offset to the first delimiter behind the string <br> 4) n3 -- the byte offset to the first character different from the delimiter after the textend delimiter <br> An ASCII zero in the text is handled as an absolute delimiter. |
| :---: | :---: |
| END | Synonym for UNTIL P |
| ENDCASE | Used as the close to a CASE statement. Gets the quantity to be checked from the stack (see CASE). |
| ENDIF | Used in a ':' definition in the form: $\begin{array}{lllll} \text { IF } & \ldots & \text { ENDIF } & & \\ \text { IF } & \ldots & \text { ELSE } & \ldots & \text { ENDIF } \end{array}$ <br> ENDIF is the destination of a forward jump from IF or ELSE. THEN is a synonym for ENDIF (see IF, ELSE). |
| ENDOF | Used as the close to a variant in a CASE statement. |
| erase | addr $n$ <br> Sets $n$ memory words at address addr to zero. |
| ERROR | line --- in blk <br> Outputs error messages and functions as a system restart. The exact error handling depends on the variable WARNING: <br> +1: Line $n$ relative to screen 4 is output <br> The line determined by may lie outside screen 4. <br> 0 : The value is output as a number. <br> -1: ABORT is called. |
| EXECUTE | addr --- <br> Addr is the code-field address of the word to be executed through EXECUTE. |
| EXP2 | b --- n <br> Fast routine for calculating 2 to the power b (where b is positive). |


| EXPECT | addr count $\qquad$ <br> Transfers count characters from the terminal to address addr. A carriage return ends the transfer prematurely. Nulls are appended at the end of the string. |
| :---: | :---: |
| FENCE | --- addr <br> User variable. Contains the address below which FORGET has no effect. If FORGET is to be enabled below this address, the contents of FENCE must be changed. |
| FFTABLE | Address of the assignment table for the forth function keys. |
| FILL | addr quan $b$ Fills quan bytes at address addr with byte b. |
| FIRS T | A constant. Returns the address of the first disk block buffer. |
| FLD | ```--- addr User variable. Contains the field width for formatted output.``` |
| FTABLE | Pointer to the current function key assignment table. |
| FLIP | n --- $n$ <br> Exchanges the two bytes of word n. |
| FLUSH | Can be used at the end of an editing session in order to be sure that all text changes are saved on disk. It is better to use DONB for this purpose, though. |
| FORGET | Used in the form: <br> FORGET cccc <br> All of the definitions after and including cccc are deleted from the dictionary. |
| FORTH | The name of the Forth language kernel. The instruction sets FORTH as the CONTEXT vocabulary. |
| GTEXT | The following text, bounded by the delimiter defined in DELI, is saved at $n$. |

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GREEN --- 5
    Constant for the color value of green.
HBLP ---
    Returns the function key assignments.
HERE --- addr
    The next free address in the dictionary is placed
    on the stack.
```

HEX
Sets the conversion base to 16 (hexadecimal).
HLD --- addr
User variable which contains the last character of
a string of numerical output conversion.
HOLD

Used between < and \#>. Transfers the ASCII character to the string for numerical output conversion.

I --- $\mathbf{n}$
Used inside a DO ... LOOP in order to place the loop index on the stack.

ID.
addr --Outputs the name of the word with NFA addr.

IF
$f$--- irun-time
Used in a':' definition in the form:
IF (tf) ... ENDIF
IF (tf) ... ELSE (ff) ... ENDIF
If $f$ is true, the commands immediately behind IF are executed; if fis false, a jump is made to ELSE (if present) or ENDIF.

IMMEDIATE
Marks the last-defined word as "immediate." This means that the word will be executed during compilation instead of being compiled.
The user can force the compilation of an immediate definition through a preceding [COMPILE] instruction.

IN $\cdots$ addr
User variable. Contains the byte offset in the current input text buffer from which the next text will be fetched. The instruction WORDS uses and changes the contents of IN.

| INDEX | nl n2 <br> Returns a kind of index of the screens nl to n2 by writing the first line of each of the screens in this range on the screen. In addition, the disk information line, line 15 of screen 4 is also printed. |
| :---: | :---: |
| INKCOLOR | A variable which contains the plotting color for graphics. |
| INTERPRET | The outer-most text interpreter which executes or compiles input (from terminal or disk). The CONTEXT and CURRENT vocabularies are searched for the name. <br> If the name is not found, the value is converted in the current base. If a conversion error occurs, the name is printed together with a "?". |
| LATEST | ...- addr <br> The name-field address of the last-defined word in the CURRENT vocabulary is placed on the stack. |
| LEAVE | Exits a DO loop at the next LOOP or + LOOP command. |
| LFA | pfa --- lfa Converts the parameter-field address of a definition to its link-field address. |
| LIM I T | A constant. Places the address which lies immediately above the last disk buffer address on the stack. |
| LIST | Screen $n$ (logical page $n$ ) is listed on the terminal. The variable SCR is not changed! |
| LIT | -- $n$ <br> LIT is inserted before a l6-bit literal when compiling. When LIT is executed at run-time, it places the value on the stack. |
| LITERAL | Used in compilation mode in order to compile a calculated value into the dictionary. The intended application is: |
|  | : xxx [ calculation ] LITERAL |
|  | Suspends the compilation mode, performs a calculation, and compiles the calculated value using LITERAL. |


| LOAD | ```Loads (interprets) screen n. The loading can be stopped with the ;S instruction.``` |
| :---: | :---: |
| LOOP | addr $n$--- <br> Used in $a$ ':' definition in the form: DO ... LOOP <br> and marks the end of a loop. The loop counter is incremented by 1 and compared with the loop limit n. The loop is left when the loop counter has reached the upper limit $n$. |
| M* | nl n2 --- d <br> The result $d$ of $n l *_{n} 2$ is a double-precision word. |
| M/ | d nl --- n2 n3 <br> n2 is the remainder, n3 the quotient of the division $d / n 1$. The remainder n2 has the sign of the dividend. |
| M/MOD | udl u2 --- u3 ud4 <br> A mixed-precision operation. The dividend udl and the quotient are double-precision words. The divisor $u 2$ and remainder u3 are 16-bit words. |
| MAX | n1 n2 --- max <br> The result is the maximum of $n 1$ and $n 2$. |
| MBSS AGE | Text line n relative to screen 4 is printed on the output device. The line may lie outside of screen 4. If WARNING has the value 0 , only the value will be printed. |
| M IN | n1 n2 -- min <br> The result is the minimum of nl and n2. |
| MINUS | nl --- n2 <br> Negates nl. |
| MOD | $\begin{aligned} & \text { nl n2 } \\ & \text { n3 }=n 1 \text { modulo n2. n3 has the same sign as nl. } \end{aligned}$ |
| NPA | ```pfa --- nfa Converts the parameter-field address of a definition to its name-field address.``` |
| NKEY | -- n <br> An alternative $K E Y$ function which reads the function table and then returns only the ASCII value on the stack if the key pressed is not contained in the function table. |



| PEN | b --- <br> Sets the text color to b. |
| :---: | :---: |
| PFA | nfa --- pfa <br> Converts, a name-field address of a definition to its parameter-field address. |
| PICK | b --- $n$ <br> Copies the bth element on the stack to the top of the stack. Bxample: 1 PICK corresponds to DUP, 2 PICK corresponds to OVER, etc. |
| PIXELAREA | A variable which contains the start of the graphics memory. |
| PREV | --- addr <br> A variable which contains the address of the disk block buffer last addressed. The UPDATE instruction references this buffer. |
| PURPLE | --- 4 <br> Returns the constant 4 as the color value for purple. |
| QURRY | Reads a maximum of 80 characters from the terminal until a carriage return is encountered. The text is placed in the field whose address is in TIB. IN is set to zero. |
| QUIT | Initializes the return stack, ends the compile mode, and switches the system back to terminal input. |
| R | Copies the top word of the return stack to the data stack without changing the former (Re in many versions). |
| R* | --- addr <br> User variable. Used by the editor for the position of the cursor. |
| R0 | --- addr Variable with which the return stack is intialized. |
| R/W | addr blk f <br> The input/output routine for a record. Addr is the address of the block buffer to be transferred. Blk is the number of the block and $f$ is a flag, $f=0$ for output, $f=1$ for input. |

READ addr count nl n2 --- f count bytes are read from device n2 over channel nl at address addr; error flag $0=0 \mathrm{~K}$.

RED - 2
Returns the constant 2 as color value for red.

REPEAT

RND

RNDNR

ROLL

ROT

RP:

S :
$S \rightarrow D$

S 0

S ${ }^{\circ}$

Places the top word of the return stack on the data stack.

Used in a ': definition in the form:
BEGIN ... WHILE ... REPEAT
At run-time this results in an unconditional jump to the corresponding BEGIN.
nl --- n2
Returns a random number in the range 0 to nl-1.
--- n
A variable used for random number generation with RND.
b
Rotates the top bstack elements one position down and puts the former bth element on top. ROLL is a generalization of ROT (which is equivalent to 3 ROLL).
nl n2 n3 --- n2 n3 nl
Rotates the three top words on the stack.

Initializes the return stack pointer.
bl b2 b3 ---
Writes the ASCII value bl in line b2, columin b3 of the text RAM (address 1024 ff.).

Returns the ASCII value in text RAM at line bl, column b2.

| SCOPY | nl n2 --- <br> Copies SCR $n$ l (in the disk buffer) to SCR $n 2$ on disk. The screen to be copied should be completely contained in the disk buffer. This word can be used to copy single screens to another disk in which the disk can be changed by using the instructions CLOSE-SCREEN and " I" DOS to initialize the new diskette. |
| :---: | :---: |
| SCR | addr <br> User variable. Contains the current screen number. |
| SCREEN | b Sets the background color to color $b$. |
| SIGN | n d -- d Places an ASCII "-" in the text of a numerical output conversion if $n$ is negative. $N$ is removed from the stack. May only be used between 〈\# and \#〉. |
| SMUDGE | Used in a definition in order to complement (logical not) the smudge bit in the name field. This prevents an incomplete definition from being found before error-free compilation. |
| SP! | --- addr <br> Initializes the data stack pointer. |
| SPE | ```--- addr The stack pointer is placed on the stack. For example, the command sequence: l 2 SPO . . . produces the output: 2 l OK``` |
| SPACE | Outputs an ASCII blank to the output device. |
| SPACES | Outputs $n$ blanks to the output device. |
| SPLIT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { n --- bl b2 } \\ & \text { Splits into low (bl) and high bytes. } \end{aligned}$ |
| SREAD | Reads screen $n$ into the disk buffer. |
| STATE | --- addr <br> User variable. Contains a flag which indicates whether the program is in the compile or run state. |


| SWAP | ```n1 n2 -- n2 nl Exchanges the two top words of the gtack.``` |
| :---: | :---: |
| TEXT | b --- <br> Reads the text up to the next delimiter $b$ (an entire line if necessary) into PAD. |
| THEN | P |
|  | Synonym for ENDIF. |
| TIB | ...- addr <br> User variable. Contains the address of the Terminal Input Buffer. |
| TOGGLE | addr b $\qquad$ <br> The set bits of byte b are complemented in the location at addr. |
| TO. NKEY | b --- <br> Saves the address of the key assignment table $b$ in FTABLE and activates the alternative KEY function NKEY. |
| traceon | Turns on a very comprehensive trace function. <br> Note: All following commands (including TRACEOFF) must be entered character by character only and must be concluded with CR. |
| TRACEOFF | Switches the trace mode off. |
| traverse | addrl $n$---- addr2 <br> This instruction traverses a name field from one end to the other. Addrl is either the address of the length byte of a name field or the address of the last character of the name. If $n=1$, the transversal is done in ascending order of addresses, whereas if $n=-1$, $a$ descending transversal is performed. |
| TRIAD | Lists screen $n, n+1$, and $n+2$ on the output device. This output is well suited for documentation and contains the output of line 15 , screen 4 as standard comment line. |
| TYPE | addr count <br> Outputs count characters at addr on the output device. |
| U* | ul u2 --- ud Absolute calculation. Result is the doubleprecision product ul*u2. |

U/ ud ul --- u2 u3
Absolute calculation. $U 2$ is the remainder, $u 3$ the quotient of the division ud/ul. The dividend ud is double-precision.

Uく ul u2 --- f
Sets the flag true if the absolute number ul is smaller than the absolute value of u2, otherwise false.
U.

UNTIL f --- (run-time)
Used in a ':' definition in the form:
BEGIN ... UNTIL
The loop defined through BEGIN ... UNTIL is left if $f=t r u e$.

UPDATE
Marks the last-addressed block (indicated by PREV) as changed. This block will automatically be saved to disk when its buffer is required by another block.

USE --- addr
A variable which contains the address of the block buffer to be used next.

USER
n ---
Definition word, form
n USER cccc
This instruction defines a variable cocc in the USBR area (see appendix l). N is the offset from the start of this area. The user can define user variables with offsets from 64 to 127. The variable is initialized to 0.

## Variable

E
A defining word of the form:
$n$ Variable cccc
When Variable is executed, cccc is defined and loaded with $n$. When cccc is executed, the variable address will be placed on the stack. The value of the variable can be obtained with cccce.

VIC --- D000
A constant which returns the address of the VIC in the C64.

VICCR1
-.- D011
A constant which returns the address of the first control register in the vic.

| 2 | --- D0l6 <br> A constant which returns the address of the second control register in the VIC. |
| :---: | :---: |
| VIC-ADDPTR |  |
|  | A constant which returns the address of the address pointer register in the vic. |
| VIC-BORDER --- D014 |  |
|  | A constant which returns the address of the VIC register which contains the border color of the screen. |
| VIC-BG0 | D0 15 |
|  | A constant which returns the address of the VIC register which contains the (normal) background color. |
| videoarea |  |
|  | A variable which contains the address of the video area (HEX 400). |
| VOC-LINK | addr |
|  | User variable. Contains the address |
|  | vocabulary last used. All vocabularies are chained |
|  | though these fields. A FORGET can therefore have effect on multiple vocabularies. |
| VOCABULARY E, |  |
|  |  |
| A definition word. Used in the form: VOCABULARY ccce IMMEDIATE |  |
| in order to define a new vocabulary cccce. A later |  |
|  | call of ccccemakes it the CONTEXT vocabulary, the |
|  | first vocabulary searched for an |
| instruction. The instruction sequence: |  |
|  | ccce DEFINITIONS |
|  | makes ccce the CURRENT vocabulary in which new |
|  | definitions will be placed. Vocabulary names areby convention declared as immediate. |
|  |  |

Outputs all of the defined names in the dictionary, starting with the CONTEXT vocabulary.
WARNING --- addr U

User variable. Contains a value for controlling the system messages, where
l: error messages are output from disk screen 4 0 : only error numbers are output
-l: (ABORT) is executed
WHERE
WHERE is automatically initialized when an error occurs while loading screens. The corresponding screen is automatically displayed for editing.

| While | f <br> Used in a ':' definition in the form: <br> BEGIN ... WHILE ( $t_{p}$ ) <br> ... REPEAT <br> During run-time, WHILE manages the course of the program. If $f$ is false, execution continues after the REPEAT, otherwise the loop is executed again. |
| :---: | :---: |
| WHITE | $\text { A color constant with the value } l .$ |
| WIDTH | --- addr <br> User variable. Contains the value 31 for the maximum length of a Forth word. |
| WORD | ```Reads the next string from input, up to delimiter c. The string is placed at address HERE in the form: first byte: number of characters in string second byte: the string following: two blanks The leading character c is ignored.``` |
| WRITE | addr nl n2 n3 $\qquad$ $f$ <br> nl bytes at address addr are sent over channel n2 to device $n 3$; ( $f=0$ indicates $0 K$ ). |
| XOR | nl n2 --- xor <br> Exclusive OR of $n 1$ and $n 2$. |
| YELLOW | ```A color constant with the value 7.``` |
| [ | Used in a ': definition in the form: <br> : xxx [ words ] words ; <br> The instructions following "[" are executed instead of being compiled. The "[" instruction allows calculations or the handing of special cases before compilation continues with the "]" instruction (see LITERAL). |
| [COMPILE] | Used in a ':' definition in the form (example): <br> : xxx [COMPILE] FORTH <br> [COMPILE] forces compilation of an immediate definition which would otherwise be executed. In this example, the vocabulary FORTH is called during the execution of the instruction instead of during the compilation. |
| ] | The compilation suspended by a "[" instruction is continued (see [). |



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