Appendix eForth_328 Commands

Additional note JPIN: these commands are copied from the full documentation. Learning Forth is very much learning about the STACK (here the Data Stack).

The 3 colums in these pages:

The name of the command / Forth Word

What is happening on the Stack: DATA BEFORE EXECUTION -- DATA AFTER EXECUTION I have modified this column slightly, so the 2 dashes are mostly at the same location. Easier to read.

Try a few Words!

One of the nice features of this eForth: the 4 top locations of the stack are shown all the time:

At Startup: 0 0 0 ok

Store the numbers needed for the Word tried, execute the command, see what happened.

e.g. for the first line - type 10 (CR), 3 (CR), - (CR) and you see what happens on the Stack.

_	(n1 n2 n3)	Subtract n2 from n1 (n1-n2=n3).		
' <name></name>	(addr)	Find <name> and leave its address.</name>		
!	(n addr)	Store n to addr.		
!10	()	Initialize the serial I/O devices.		
#	(n n/base)	Convert next digit of n and add it to output string .		
#>	(n addr n1)	Terminate numeric conversion, leaving addr and count n1.		
#s	(n)	Convert all significant digits in n to output string.		
#TIB	(addr)	Return address of variable storing number of characters received in terminal input buffer.		
\$" <string></string>	(addr)	Compile a string literal. Return its address at run time.		
S"	(addr)	Return address of following string literal at run time.		
\$,n	(addr)	Build a new dictionary header using the string at addr.		
\$COMPILE	(addr)	Compile string at addr to dictionary as a token or literal.		
\$INTERPRET	(addr)	Interpret string a addr. Execute it of convert it to a number.		
(<text>)</text>	()	Ignore comment text.		
(parse)	(addr n char addr n delta)	Scan string delimited by char. Return found string and its offset delta.		
*	(n1 n2 n3)	Signed multiply. Leave product.		
*/	(n1 n2 n3 n4)	Signed multiply and divide. Leave quotient of (n1*n2)/n3.		
*/MOD	(n1 n2 n3 n4)	Signed multiply and divide. Leave remainder of (n1*n2)/n3.		
,	(n)	Add n to parameter field of the most recently defined word.		
•	(n)	Display signed number with a trailing blank.		
." <text>"</text>	()	Compile <text> message. At run-time display text message.</text>		
."!	()	Display following string literal as a text message.		
.(<text>)</text>	()	Display <text> received from the input stream.</text>		
.ID	(addr)	Display name of a command at addr.		
.OK	()	Display ok> message.		
.R	(n n1)	Display n right justified in a field of n1 character width.		
/	(n1 n2 quot)	Signed division. Leave quotient of n1/n2.		
/MOD	(n1 n2 rem quot)	Signed division. Leave quotient and remainder of n1/n2.		
: <name></name>	()	Begin a compound command of <name>.</name>		
;	()	Terminate a compound command.		
?	(addr)	Display contents in addr.		
?DUP	(n n n 0)	Duplicate top of stack if it is not a 0.		
?KEY	(char T F)	Return input character and true, or a false if no input.		

?RX	(char T F)	Return input character and true, or a false if no input.		
?UNIQUE	(addr)	Display a "reDef" message if addr is an existing command.		
@	(addr n)	Replace addr by number fetched from addr.		
[()	Switch from compilation to interpretation.		
[COMPILE] <name></name>	()	Compile the word <name> in the input stream as an token.</name>		
\ <text></text>	()	Ignore text till end of line.		
]	()	Switch from interpretation to compilation.		
^H	(bot eot cur bot eot cur)	Backspace. Backup the cursor by one character.		
+	(n1 n2 n3)	Add n1 and n2.		
+!	(n addr)	Add n to number at addr.		
<	(n1 n2 flag)	True if n1 less than n2.		
<#	()	Start numeric output conversion.		
<mark< td=""><td>(addr)</td><td colspan="2">Push current program address on stack.</td></mark<>	(addr)	Push current program address on stack.		
<resolve< td=""><td>(addr)</td><td>Compile addr to dictionary.</td></resolve<>	(addr)	Compile addr to dictionary.		
=	(n1 n2 flag)	True if n1 equals n2.		
>	(n1 n2 flag)	True if n1 greater than n2.		
>CHAR	(n char)	Convert n to a printable character char. Non-printable character is converted to an underscore character.		

>IN	(addr)	Return address of a variable pointing to current character being interpreted.	
>MARK	(addr)	Compile 0 to dictionary. Push its address on stack	
>NAME	(ca	na)	Convert a code field address to a name field address.	
>R	(n)	Pop top and push it on return stack.	
>RESOLVE	(addr)	Store address of current program word in addr.	
>UPPER	(addr)	Convert a count string at addr to upper case.	
0<	(n	flag)	True if n is negative.	
0=	(n	flag)	True if n is 0.	
1-	(n	n-1)	Decrement top.	
1+	(n	n+1)	Increment top.	
2-	(n	n-2)	Decrement top by 2.	
2!	(d addr)	Store a double integer to addr.	
2*	(n	2n)	Multiply top by 2.	
2/	(n	n/2)	Divide top by 2.	
20	(addr	d)	Fetch a double integer from addr.	
2+	(n	n+2)	Increment top by 2	
2DROP	(d)	Pop two numbers off stack.	
2DUP	(d	d d)	Duplicate a double integer on stack.	
ABORT	()	Clean up stack and jump to address in 'ABORT.	
'ABORT	(addr)	Return address to handle error condition.	
abort"	(flag)	If flag is true, display following message and ABORT.	
ABS	(n	u)	Return absolute value of top.	
accept	(addr n	addr n1)	Accept n characters to buffer at addr. Replace n with actual count n1	
AFT	()	Branch to THEN to skip a branch in FOR-NEXT loop.	
AHEAD	()	Branch forward to address in next word.	
ALIGNED	(n	n1)	Adjust n to the word boundary.	
ALLOT	(+n)	Add +n bytes to parameter field of the most recently word.	
AND	(n1 n2	n3)	Logical bit-wise AND.	
BASE	(addr)	Contain radix for numeric conversion.	

BEGIN	()	Start an indefinite loop.		
BL	(32)	Push 32 on stack.		
BRANCH	(flag)	Branch to address in next program word if flag is 0.		
C!	(n addr)	Store a byte to addr.		
C@	(addr	n)	Fetch a byte from addr.		
CHAR <string></string>	(char)	Push first character in the following text string.		
CHARS	(n char)	Send n characters char to the output device.		
CMOVE	(addr addr	c1 n)	Copy n bytes starting at addr to memory starting at addr1.		
CODE <name></name>	()	Start a new primitive command.		
COLD	()	Initialize FORTH system and start text interpreter.		
COMPILE <name></name>	()	Retrieve address of the following command and compile it as a token.		
CONSTANT <name></name>	(n)	Define a constant. At run-time, n is pushed on the stack.		
CONTEXT	(addr)	Return address of a variable pointing to name field of last word in dictionary.		
COUNT	(addr	addr+1 n)	Replace addr with address and count of a count string.		
СР	(addr)	Return address of a variable pointing to first free space on dictionary.		
CR	()	Display a new line. Carriage return and line feed.		
CREATE <name></name>	()	Define an array. At run-time, its address is left on the stack.		
DECIMAL	()	Set number base to decimal.		

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DIAGNOSE	() Exercise all primitive commands for debugging.			
DIGIT	(n char)	Convert digit u to a character.		
DNEGATE	(d d1)	Negate a double integer on stack.		
do\$	(addr)	Return the address of the following compiled string.		
doCON	(n)	Return contents of next program word.		
doLIST	()	Start processing a new nested list.		
doLIT	(n)	Push an inline literal.		
doNEXT	()	Terminate a single index loop.		
doVAR	(addr)	Return address of next program word.		
DROP	(n)	Discard top of stack.		
DUMP	(addr n)	Dump n bytes of memory starting from addr.		
DUP	(n1 n2)	Duplicate top of stack.		
ELSE	()	Terminate <true> clause, continue after the THEN.</true>		
EMIT	(char)	Initialize the serial I/O devices.		
ERASE	(addr n)	Clear a n byte array at addr		
ERROR	(addr)	Display error message at addr and jump to ABORT.		
EVAL	()	Interpret input stream in terminal input buffer.		
'EVAL	(addr)	Return address of variable containing \$INTERPRET or \$COMPILE.		
EXECUTE	(addr)	Execute the command at addr.		
EXIT	()	Terminate execution of current compound command.		
EXPECT	(addr n)	Accept n characters into buffer at addr.		
EXTRACT	(n base n/base n1)	Extract the least significant digit n1 from n. n is divided by base.		
FILL	(addr n char)	Fill an array at address with n characters char.		
find	(a va ca na a 0)	Search dictionary at va for a string at a. Return ca and na if succeeded, else return a and 0.		

FOR	(n)	Setup loop. Repeat loop until limit n is decremented to 0.	
FORGET	()	Delete command <name> and all words added afterwards.</name>	
<name></name>			
HERE	(addr)	Address of next available dictionary location.	
HLD	(addr)	Return address of a variable pointing to next converted digit.	
HOLD	(char)	Add character char to the number string under conversion.	
IF	(flag)	If flag is zero, branches forward to <false> or after THEN.</false>	
IMMEDIATE	()	Set immediate bit in name field of last command added.	
KEY	(char)	Get an ASCII character from the keyboard. Does not echo.	
kTAP	(bot eot cur char bot eot cur)	Process a control character, CR or backspace.	
LAST	(char)	Get an ASCII character from the keyboard. Does not echo.	
LITERAL	(n)	Compile number n. At run-time, n is pushed on the stack.	
M*	(n1 n2 d)	Multiply n1 and n2. Return double integer product.	
M/MOD	(d n mod quot)	Divide double integer d by n1. Return remainder and quotient.	
MAX	(n1 n2 n3)	n3 is the larger of n1 and n2.	
MIN	(n1 n2 n3)	n3 is the smaller of n1 and n2.	
MOD	(n1 n2 mod)	Signed divide. Leaver remainder of n1/n2.	
NAME?	(addr ca na a F)	Search dictionary for name at addr. Return code field address	
		and name field address if a command is found, else push a false.	
NAME>	(na ca)	Convert a name field address to a code field address.	
NEGATE	(n1 n2)	Two's complement.	
NEXT	()	Decrement index and repeat loop until index is less than 0	
NOT	(n1 n2)	Bit-wise one's complement.	
NUMBER?	(addr n T addr F)	Convert a string at addr to an integer and push a true flag. If it is not a number, push a false flag.	
OR	(n1 n2 n3)	Logical bit-wise OR.	
OVER	(n1 n2 n1 n2 n1)	Make copy of second item on stack.	
OVERT	()	Change CONTEXT to add a new command to dictionary.	
PACK\$	(addr n addr1)	Copy a string at addr with length n, to a count string at addr1.	
PAD	(addr)	Return address of a scratch pad area.	
PARSE	(char addr n)	Parse terminal input buffer for a string terminated by char. Return its address and length.	
PEEK	(addr n)	Fetch a byte from addr.	
POKE	(n addr)	Store a byte to addr.	
QBRANCH	(flag)	Branch to address in next word if flag is zero.	
QUERY	(addr)	Leave address of a scratch area of at least 84 bytes.	
QUIT	()	Return to terminal, no stack change, no message.	
R@	(n)	Copy top of return stack on stack.	
R>	(n)	Pop top of return stack and push it on stack.	
REPEAT	()	Unconditional backward branch to BEGIN.	
ROT	(n1 n2 n3 n2 n3 n1)	Rotate third item to top. "rote"	
SAME?	(addr1 addr2 n aadr1 addr2 flag)	Compare two strings at addr1 and addr2 for n bytes. If string1>string2, returns a positive integer. If string1 <string2, 0.<="" a="" are="" identical,="" if="" integer.="" negative="" return="" strings="" th=""></string2,>	
SEE <name></name>	()	Decompile the word <name>.</name>	
SIGN	(n)	If n is negative, add a - sign to the number output string.	
SPACE	()	Display a space.	
str	(n addr n1)	Convert signed integer n to a numeric output string at addr, length n1.	
SPACES	(n)	Display n spaces.	
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TAP	(bot eot cur char bot eot cur)	Accept and echo a character and bump the cursor.		
THEN	()	Terminate the IF-ELSE structure.		
TIB	(addr)	Push address of terminal input buffer.		
'TIB	(addr)	Return address of variable pointing to terminal input buffer.		
tmp	(addr)	Return address of a temporary variable.		
TOKEN	(addr)	Parse next string delimited by space into a word buffer 2 bytes above the top of dictionary.		
TX!	(char)	Send character c to the output device.		
TYPE	(addr +n)	Display a string of +n characters starting at address addr.		
υ.	(n)	Display unsigned number with trailing blank.		
U.R	(n n1)	Display unsigned number n right justified in a field of n1 characters.		
U<	(n1 n2 flag)	Unsigned compare. Return true if n1 <n2.< td=""></n2.<>		
UM*	(n1 n2 d)	Unsigned multiply. Return double integer product.		
UM/MOD	(d n mod quot)	Unsigned divide. Return remainder and quotient.		
UM+	(n1 n2 d)	Unsigned add. Return double integer sum.		
UNTIL	(flag)	Repeat <loop-body> until the flag is non-zero.</loop-body>		
UPPER	(char char1)	Convert a character to upper case.		
VARIABLE <name></name>	()	Define a variable. At run-time, <name> leaves its address.</name>		
WHILE	(flag)	Repeat <loop-body> and <true> clause while the flag is non-zero.</true></loop-body>		
WITHIN	(n1 n2 n3 flag)	Return true flag if n1<=n3 <n2. else,="" false="" flag.<="" return="" td=""></n2.>		
WORD <text></text>	(char addr)	Get the char delimited string <text> from the input stream and leave as a counted string at addr.</text>		
WORDS	()	Display all commands in the dictionary.		
XOR	(n1 n2 n3)	Logical bit-wise exclusive OR.		