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How to Use This Manual

The HP-UX Technical BASIC Reference Manual is designed to provide reference information to experienced BASIC programmers. The manual is divided into seven sections:

- The **Introduction** provides general information that applies to all BASIC keywords. The introduction also explains how to interpret tables and syntax diagrams in the keyword dictionary.
- The **Keyword Dictionary** contains an alphabetical listing of all the operators, functions and statements provided with the language. Each entry contains syntax information, examples, and a description of how the keyword interacts with other related BASIC statements.
- The **Glossary** defines many of the technical terms used repeatedly in the keyword dictionary. Certain terms include a syntax diagram to help you understand the definition.
- **Reference Tables** contains a variety of useful tables, including the character set, system reset conditions, and various graphics conditions.
- The **I/O Registers** section contains tables of buffer and interface status and control registers.
- **Error Messages** lists all error messages and probable causes for the errors.
- The **Keyword Summary** groups all the BASIC keywords by function, allowing you to quickly locate the proper keyword for a particular task.

Using the Keyword Dictionary

The keyword dictionary contains an alphabetical listing of all the HP-UX Technical BASIC keywords. Each keyword entry consists of a legal usage table, a definition of the keyword, a syntax diagram, a table of parameters, usage examples, and some additional descriptive information on the use of the keyword within programs.

Legal Usage Table

The legal usage table describes in general terms the conditions under which the keyword can be used.

- If a keyword is *Keyboard Executable*, a properly constructed statement can be typed into the current alphanumeric (*alpha*) display input line and executed by pressing Return¹. This type of immediate execution is sometimes referred to as execution “from the keyboard” or execution in “edit mode.”
- If a keyword is *Programmable*, a properly constructed statement can be placed after a valid line number and stored in memory as part of a BASIC program. Many keywords are both keyboard executable and programmable. Nonprogrammable keywords are referred to as commands.
- If a keyword can be included in an IF . . . THEN, a statement containing the keyword can be placed after THEN or ELSE in an IF . . . THEN . . . ELSE statement.

The Syntax Diagram

The syntax diagram describes pictorially how to construct a proper statement or command using that keyword. The items enclosed in ovals, circles, and rectangles are the various elements of the statement:

- The elements enclosed in **ovals and circles** are keywords and punctuation that must be typed in exactly as shown, except that lowercase letters can be substituted for uppercase letters.
- The elements enclosed in **rectangles** are parameters. Each parameter is described in the table of parameters underneath the syntax diagram. In most instances, uppercase and lowercase letters are *not* interchangeable.

¹ Return is used throughout this manual to represent the key generating a carriage-return character (CR), decimal value 13.

The elements are connected by lines and arrows that illustrate how they fit together. Each line segment has only one arrow, meaning that the line can be followed in only one direction. Starting with the left side of the diagram, you can use any combination of elements generated by following the lines in the indicated direction. If an element is optional, a path exists around it. Many optional elements have default values listed in the table of parameters or description section. Whatever path you choose, it must terminate at the right side of the diagram.

The syntax diagram does not show line numbers or line labels.

Table of Parameters

The Table of Parameters describes each parameter in the syntax diagram. Where proper syntax or practical semantics requires a parameter to evaluate within a certain range, that range is given. A dash (“—”) indicates no range restrictions. For example, in the case of numeric expressions, the parameter can be any REAL number.

Spaces

The syntax diagrams do not fully describe the use of spaces. In general, when two elements are connected by a line and arrow, any number of spaces can be inserted between the elements. In some cases, spaces are optional. For example, when a syntax diagram shows parameters separated by commas, spaces between the commas and the parameters are optional.

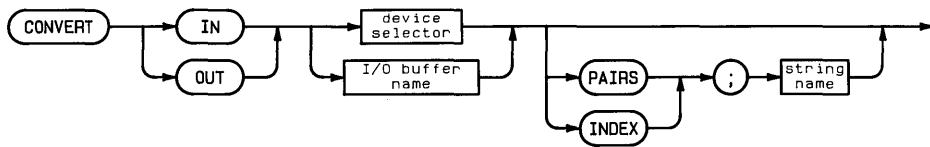
When two elements are drawn adjacent to one another, there must be no spaces between them.

The syntax requires spaces between BASIC keywords, variable names, statement labels, and numeric constants. Valid sequences of letters and digits not recognized as BASIC keywords are interpreted as variable names.

Spaces are not required between keywords or variable names and arithmetic and relational operators. However, logical operators must be separated from keywords and variable names by spaces.

Spaces should not be inserted within keywords unless explicitly shown.

Example: Examine the syntax diagram for the CONVERT statement:



To construct a valid statement, type the keyword `CONVERT`, followed by one or more spaces. Then, type the keyword `IN` or `OUT`, followed by one or more spaces. You must then type a valid interface select code (defined in the glossary) or I/O buffer name. The rest of the statement is optional. After leaving one or more spaces, you may type the word `PAIRS` or `INDEX`, followed by a semicolon and the name of a string variable.

Line Length

There can be up to 160 characters in a Technical BASIC program line, including the trailing carriage-return character. This includes the line number, any embedded blank spaces, and a carriage-return character (`CHR$(13)`) placed at the end of the line when it is entered into system memory.

You can enter a line this large by:

- using a *non-line-oriented* terminal or console
- specifying “non-line-mode” operation when calling BASIC (type `basic -t` to enter the system), and then entering the line with the BASIC editor
- writing a program into a file by using `OUTPUT` statements
- using another editor to enter the line

However, when using most *line-oriented* terminals to enter program lines, the maximum line width is 80 characters. In addition, you cannot edit any lines longer than a line-oriented terminal’s (or window’s) line width. For instance, if you enter a 130-character line on a non-line-oriented terminal or window, **SAVE** the program, and then **GET** the file on a terminal or window with line-width of 80 characters, you cannot edit the line. (You can, however, list and run the program.)

Variables

BASIC uses the following variable types:

- Simple numeric:
Precisions: REAL, SHORT, or INTEGER (default=REAL)
- Numeric array:
Precisions: REAL, SHORT, or INTEGER (default=REAL)
Dimensions: one or two
Lower bound (option base): 0 or 1 (default=0)
Maximum upper bound: 65,530
- Simple string:
Maximum string length: 65,530 (default=18)
- String array:
Maximum string length: 65,530 (default=18)
Dimensions: one or two
Lower bound (option base): 0 or 1 (default=0)
Maximum upper bound: 65,530

String variables are differentiated from numeric variables by using a dollar sign (\$) as the final character in all string variable names. Variable names can be up to 32 characters long. Any sequence of letters, numbers, and the underscore character can be used, except that the first character must be a letter. Uppercase and lowercase letters are **not** interchangeable in variable names. (Combinations of uppercase and lowercase letters can be used to form BASIC keywords; however, they are listed as all uppercase.)

Line Numbers and Line Labels

Every line in a program must be preceded by a unique line number—an integer in the range 1 through 65 535. The line number can be followed by an optional line label. A line label consists of a sequence of up to 32 letters, digits, and the underscore character; the first character must be a letter. The label is followed by a colon in the labeled line; the colon is not used when the line is referenced.

Example:

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 300 IF X<5 THEN Finished | Referencing line. |
| . | . |
| 800 Finished: END | Labeled line. |

Comments

Comments can be added to any program line except a `DATA` statement. A comment is created by placing an exclamation point (!) after the last character in the statement. Comments can also be created using the `REM` statement. Comments can contain any sequence and number of characters up to the maximum allowable line length.

If a comment is added to a multistatement line, it must be placed at the end of the line.

Multistatement Lines

A multistatement line contains two or more BASIC statements joined by the character “@”. For instance:

```
100 DISP "Warning" @ BEEP @ BEEP
```

Multistatement lines can be executed both within programs and from the keyboard. The `DATA` and `REM` statements are not allowed in multistatement lines. If `GOTO` branching occurs in the middle of a line, the remaining statements on the line are not executed.

Like single-statement lines, multistatement lines are limited to 159 characters (plus a carriage-return termination character) or the *line length* of your terminal or window during entry and editing operations (see preceding description).

Hardware Dependencies

Certain features of this BASIC language are dependent on how it is implemented on various HP-UX systems. Factors such as the internal precision of numbers, the keyboard, the character set, size of the display, availability of display windows and display graphics, multiuser capabilities, and ability to mount a removable file structure affect the use of certain keywords.

Most hardware dependencies are described in this manual. Differences between this system and the Integral PC BASIC system are listed in the *Implementation Specifics* appendix. For other dependencies, such as the implementation of escape sequences for displays, etc., see the hardware documentation for your particular device.

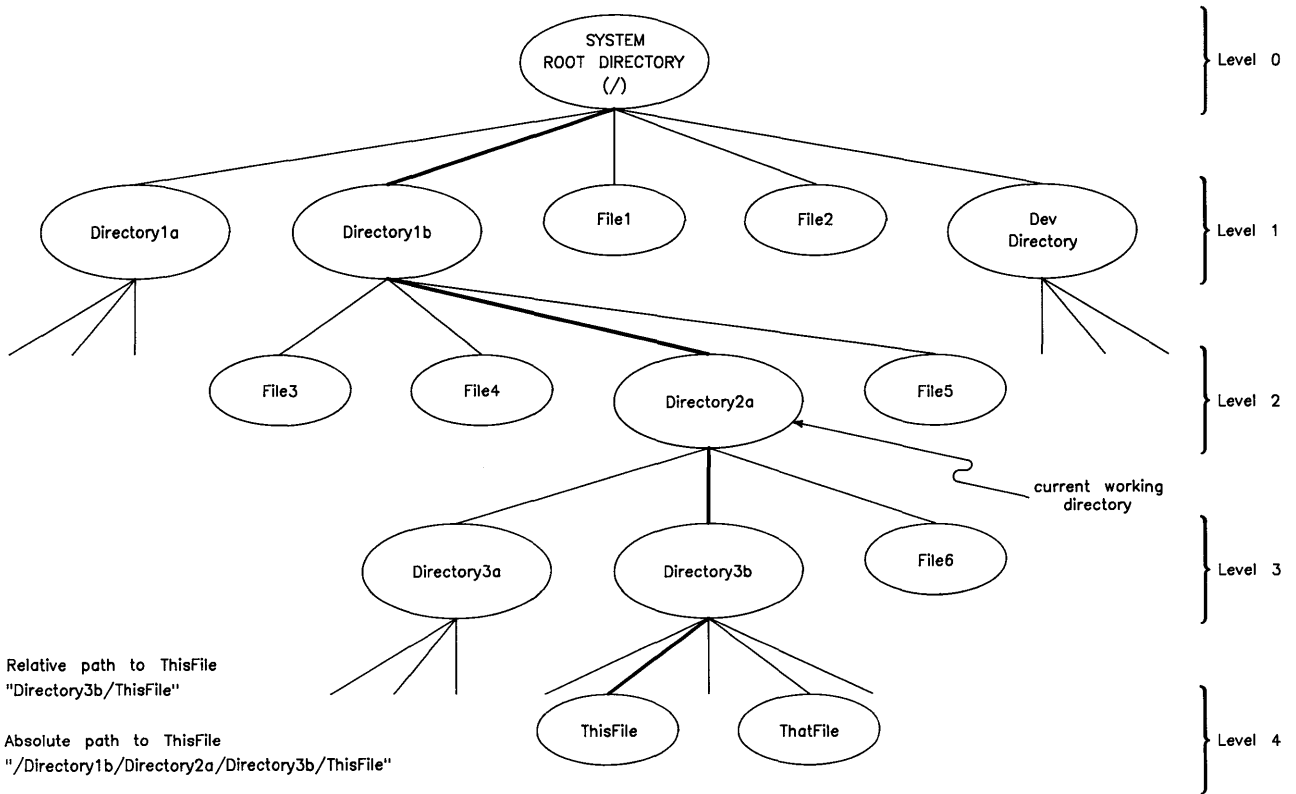
BASIC Files

BASIC creates its own file environment within the HP-UX file structure. This environment includes certain file types and file security. BASIC-type files can be created, accessed, copied, and purged within BASIC.

File Structure

BASIC uses the HP-UX hierarchical file structure. The structure takes the form of an upside down tree, as shown on page 1-8. Each box is a file. To help with this discussion, file names are drawn inside some of the boxes. Files with shaded boxes are directory files containing cataloging information for the files branching from them. The other boxes represent non-directory files. There are many different types of non-directory files, and they are utilized by the system in a number of different ways. For the purpose of this discussion, however, it is enough to distinguish between directory and non-directory types.

Figure 1: HP-UX File Structure and Disc Files



The file at the apex of the structure is called the *root directory*. Underneath the root directory are a variety of files, including the *dev* (device) directory and the top-level directory of each mounted disc. In single-user systems with removable file structures, the file name of the top level directory is the volume name of the disc. Every directory file can have underneath it both directory and non-directory type files. Thus, a branching structure is produced. Within this structure, a path exists between any file and every other file in the system. This path is defined by a *path name*, which lists the route to a file from directory to directory.

At any given time, the user is working in a particular directory, called the *current working directory*. Files within this directory can be accessed by file name alone. Files outside the current working directory must be accessed by an HP-UX path name. Two types of path names exist:

- An *absolute path name* describes the path beginning at the root directory and moving downward to the file.
- The *relative path name* describes the path to the file beginning at the current working directory. As it winds its way through the file structure, a relative path can move both upward and downward.

Figure 1 illustrates a current working directory (Directory2a) and the absolute and relative paths to the file **ThisFile**. The path names to **ThisFile** are:

Absolute pathname: /Directory1b/Directory2a/Directory3b/ThisFile

Relative pathname: Directory3b/ThisFile

Files Types

The following file types can be created within BASIC:

Table 1.1 BASIC Files

| File Type | Contents | Statement Creating the File | Statement(s) Accessing the File |
|------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| BASIC/PROG | BASIC program | STORE | LOAD |
| BASIC/SUBP | Subprogram | STORE | FINDPROG, CALL |
| BASIC/DATA | Data | CREATE | ASSIGN#, PRINT#, READ# |
| BASIC/GRAF | Graphics | GSTORE | GLOAD |
| text/data* | ASCII data | SAVE ASSIGN | GET OUTPUT, ENTER |
| text/data* | Object code | HP-UX system | LOADBIN SCRATCHBIN |

*Not a BASIC-type file.

Certain BASIC statements and commands (for example, **ASSIGN**, **SAVE**, and **LOADBIN**) access **text/data** type files. Strictly speaking, these files are not BASIC-type files, even though some BASIC statements create and/or use them.

In HP-UX, all files created in BASIC are regarded as type **text/data**, even though they are shown as a different type when viewed by the **BASIC CAT** statement.

File Security

BASIC files are created with complete user read/write permission. File security is provided by the **SECURE** statement. In general, user permission status of BASIC files should not be changed outside of BASIC.

The BASIC Metacharacter

A metacharacter sequence is used to enter non-displayable characters and quotation marks into quoted strings. The sequence consists of the BASIC metacharacter character “~” (decimal code 126) followed by one through three digit characters or by a quotation mark. The metacharacter itself is ignored, in that: it is not output by `PRINT`, `DISP`, and `OUTPUT`; it does not occupy a character position (`POS`); and it is not counted in the computation of the string length (`LEN`). However, the metacharacter is output by `LIST` and `PLIST`.

When the metacharacter is followed by one, two, or three digits in the range 0 through 255, that number is interpreted as a character decimal code. For example, “~7” is equivalent to `CHR$(7)`, and “~2558A” is equivalent to `CHR$(255)&"8A"`. If a number is in the range 256 through 999, it is moduled 256. Thus, “~580” is equivalent to `CHR$(68)`. A minus sign is treated like any other non-digit character.

When the metacharacter is followed by a quotation mark, that quotation mark is not interpreted as a string delimiter. For example, the statement:

```
DISP "Type ~"beginner~" or ~"advanced~"
```

displays:

```
Type "beginner" or "advanced"
```

Elsewhere, the metacharacter is ignored. For example,

```
DISP "~abc"
```

displays

```
abc
```

To include the character ~ in a string, preface it by a metacharacter; i.e., “~~”.

BASIC Function Keys

Where possible, BASIC makes the following “typing-aid” assignments to the function keys. Immediate-execute keys include a terminating carriage return; pressing the key is equivalent to typing the command and pressing `Return`.

Table 1.2 BASIC Function Keys

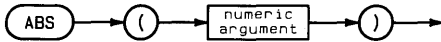
| Key | Key Label | Typing Aid | ImmediateExecute? |
|-----------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| <code>f1</code> | LIST | LIST (without parameters) | Yes |
| <code>f2</code> | RUN | RUN (without parameter) | Yes |
| <code>f3</code> | STEP | SINGLESTEP | Yes |
| <code>f4</code> | CONT | CONT (without parameter) | Yes |
| <code>f5</code> | SCRATCH | SCRATCH | No |
| <code>f6</code> | PRT. IS | PRINTER IS | No |
| <code>f7</code> | PLIST | PLIST | Yes |
| <code>f8</code> | KEY LAB. | KEY LABEL | Yes |

You can display the current typing-aid key definitions by executing the `KEY LABEL` statement. You can also re-define these keys using the `ON KEY#` statement. See “Using Typing-Aid Keys” in the *HP-UX Technical BASIC Getting Started Guide* for further information.

ABS

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The ABS function returns the absolute value of the numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

PositiveValue=ABS(Value)
DISP ABS(Variable)

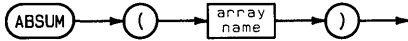
Related Keywords

SGN

ABSUM

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ABSUM function returns the sum of the absolute values of the elements in an array.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |

Examples

```
IF ABSUM(Array1) > 1 THEN 200  
Arraysum=ABSUM(A)
```

Related Keywords

AMAX, AMIN, CNORM

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The ACS function returns the arccosine of a numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | -1 through +1 |

Examples

```
Theta=ACS(Y)  
DISP ACS(.5)
```

Description

The function returns a REAL number. The value returned depends on the current trigonometric mode. In RAD (the default) mode, the value returned is in the range 0 through π radians. In DEG mode, the value returned is in the range 0 through 180 degrees. In GRAD mode, the value returned is in the range 0 through 200 grads.

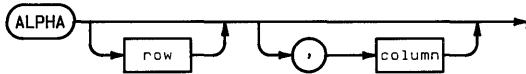
Related Keywords

COS, DEG, GRAD, RAD

ALPHA

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ALPHA statement toggles the alpha raster on and off (useful on machines with *separate* alpha and graphics rasters). When the optional parameters are included, the cursor is moved to the specified position.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------|---|----------|
| row | numeric expression, rounded to an integer and moduloed to a value in the range 1 through the number of rows in alpha display memory* | ≥ 0 |
| column | numeric expression, rounded to an integer and moduloed to a value in the range 1 through the number of columns in alpha display memory* | ≥ 0 |

*The number of rows and columns in alpha display memory is machine-dependent.

Examples

```
ALPHA
ALPHA 5
ALPHA ScreenRow
ALPHA 5,7
ALPHA ScreenRow,ScreenCol
ALPHA ,50
```

Description

When ALPHA is executed without parameters, the cursor remains in its previous position, and no scrolling is performed. The main intent of this syntax is to alternately turn the alpha raster on and off (on displays that support this type of operation). Some computers have alpha and graphics on *separate* rasters (such as most graphics terminals, and some Series 200 and 500 displays); on that type of display, this statement toggles the alpha raster (on if currently off, and off if currently on). Other computers have alpha and graphics on the *same* raster (such as Series 300 bit-mapped alpha/graphics displays and most non-graphics terminals); on that type of display, this statement performs no action (when no parameters are included).

When parameters are included, the cursor is moved to the specified position. The row parameter specifies the row to which the cursor is moved. If necessary, alphanumeric display memory scrolls up or down to display the specified row on the bottom or top row of the display.

When ALPHA is executed with a row parameter and no column parameter, the cursor remains in the current column. If you specify only the column parameter, the cursor moves to the specified column and remains in the current row.

When either or both parameters are 0, the cursor moves to the upper left corner of the current screen.

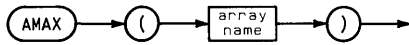
Related Keywords

CURSCOL, CURSROW, GRAPHICS

AMAX

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The `AMAX` function returns the value of the largest element in the specified array.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |

Examples

```
N = AMAX(Array)/10  
IF AMAX(Array1) = AMAX(Array2) THEN 500
```

Related Keywords

AMAXROW, AMAXCOL, AMIN

AMAXCOL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **AMAXCOL** function returns the column number of the largest element in the array specified most recently in an **AMAX** function.



Examples

```
YSubscript = AMAXCOL  
MAT B = A(,1:AMAXCOL)
```

Description

If two or more elements in different columns have the largest value, the lowest column number is returned.

Related Keywords

AMAX, **AMAXROW**, **AMINCOL**, **AMINROW**

AMAXROW

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The `AMAXROW` function returns the row number of the largest element in the array specified most recently in an `AMAX` function.



Examples

```
XSubscript = AMAXROW  
MAT B = A(1:AMAXROW,)
```

Description

If two or more elements in different rows have the largest value, the lowest row number is returned.

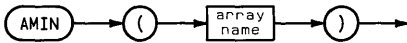
Related Keywords

`AMAX`, `AMAXCOL`, `AMINCOL`, `AMINROW`

AMIN

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The AMIN function returns the value of the smallest element in the specified array.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |

Examples

```
Y = AMIN(Array2)  
IF AMIN(Array2)=0 THEN 400
```

Related Keywords

AMAX, AMINROW, AMINCOL

AMINCOL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The AMINCOL function returns the column number of the smallest element in the array specified most recently in an AMIN function.



Examples

```
YSubscript = AMINCOL  
MAT B = A(,AMINCOL:5)
```

Description

If two or more elements in different columns have the smallest value, the lowest column number is returned.

Related Keywords

AMAXCOL, AMAXROW, AMIN, AMINROW

AMINROW

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The AMINROW function returns the row number of the smallest element in the array specified most recently in an AMIN function.



Examples

```
XSubscript = AMINROW  
MAT B = A(AMINROW:3,)
```

Description

If two or more elements in different rows have the smallest value, the lowest row number is returned.

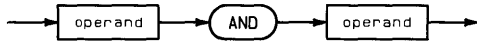
Related Keywords

AMAXCOL, AMAXROW, AMIN, AMINCOL

AND

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The AND operator returns a 1 or 0 based on the logical AND of the operands.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------|--------------------|-------|
| operand | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
S=J(1) AND J(2)  
IF S AND P THEN GOSUB 400
```

Description

A non-zero operand (positive or negative) is interpreted as a logical 1; an operand of zero is interpreted as a logical 0. The following table describes the result of performing a logical AND.

Logical AND

| A | B | A AND B |
|---|---|---------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

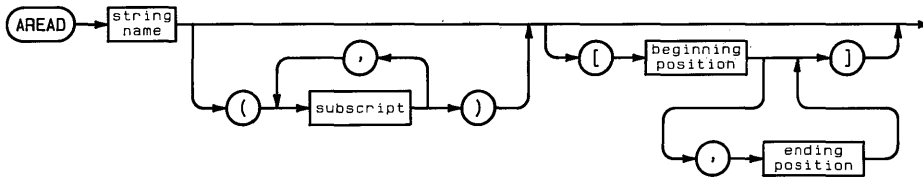
Related Keywords

EXOR, NOT, OR

AREAD

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The AREAD statement reads characters from the alpha display and copies the characters into the specified string variable¹.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|---|--|
| string name | string variable name | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530; maximum of two allowed |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

¹ This statement works only on "line-oriented" terminals. A line-oriented terminal is one that can send and receive blocks of characters *one line at a time*. Here is how to determine whether your terminal is line-oriented: type in a BASIC statement or command; execute it; move the cursor back onto the line; and then re-execute it. If the line is re-executed *successfully*, then you have a line-oriented terminal.

In addition, if you used **basic -t** to enter the BASIC system, then you have specified "non-line-mode" operation, and this statement cannot read lines of characters from even a line-oriented terminal.

Examples

AREAD Screen\$
AREAD Screen\$(3)
AREAD Screen\$[5]

Description

AREAD begins copying characters at the current cursor location. The number of characters copied equals the size of the explicitly or implicitly dimensioned string variable, or the number of characters in the specified substring.

Copying preserves the characters just as they appear on the display, including leading and trailing blanks. The cursor is not copied.

If the dimensioned size of the AREAD string is larger than the number of characters following the cursor in display memory, the string is filled with trailing blanks.

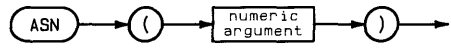
Related Keywords

ALPHA, AWGIT, OFF CURSOR, ON, CURSOR

ASN

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The ASN function returns the arcsine of the numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | -1 through +1 |

Examples

```
Theta=ASN(.5)  
DISP ASN(X*Y)
```

Description

The function returns a REAL number. The value returned depends on the current trigonometric mode. In RAD (the default) mode, the value returned is in the range $-\pi/2$ through $+\pi/2$ radians. In DEG mode, the value returned is in the range -90 through $+90$ degrees. In GRAD mode, the value returned is in the range -100 through $+100$ grads.

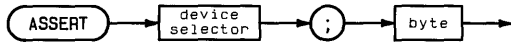
Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD, RAD, SIN

ASSERT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **ASSERT** statement sets and/or clears control lines of the specified interface.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| byte | numeric expression, truncated to an integer and moduloed 256 | — |

Examples

```
ASSERT 7;12
ASSERT Isc;X
```

Description

The binary value of the byte sets or clears the control lines. The action taken is interface dependent:

- HP-IB—immediately writes the value of the byte to control register 2, regardless of whether an I/O operation is in progress. IFC bit (decimal value 128) is ignored.
HP-IB nodes must be in “raw” mode—that is, there can be no address specified in the *minor number* of the corresponding *special (device) file*.
- GPIO—immediately writes the value of the byte to control register 2, regardless of whether an I/O operation is in progress.

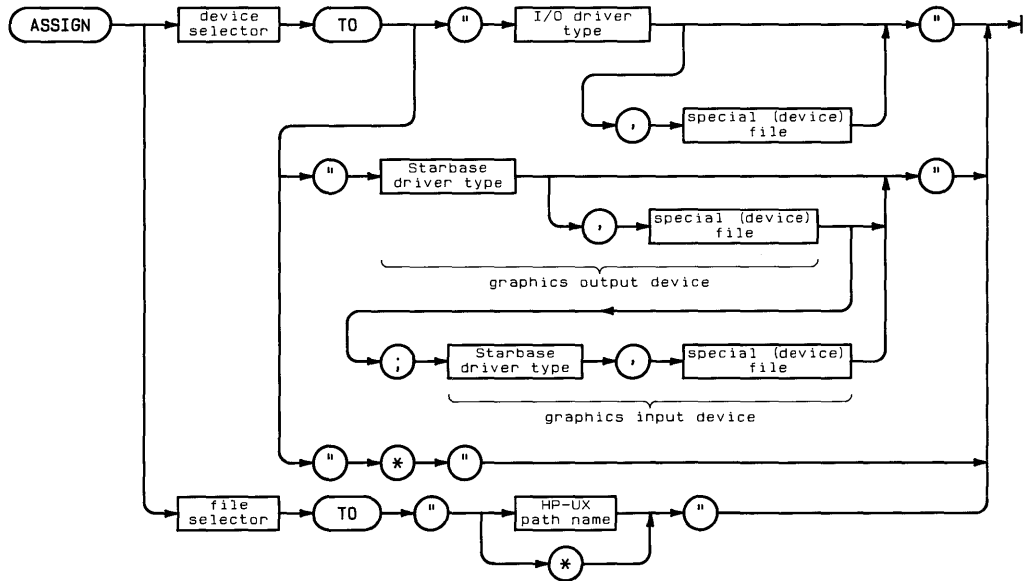
Related Keywords

CONTROL

ASSIGN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

ASSIGN assigns a numeric value to an interface, device, or file. The numeric value can then be used in OUTPUT, ENTER, CRT IS, PRINTER IS, PLOTTER IS, or other I/O-related statements. ASSIGN can also cancel these assignments.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|--|---|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| I/O driver type | literal | hpib or gpio |
| Starbase driver type | literal | any valid Starbase driver type (see table in "Description" section) |
| special (device) file | name of the special (device) file associated with an interface or device; (default=either /dev/hpib or /dev/gpio , whichever matches the I/O driver type; or /dev/Starbase driver type for graphics output devices) | any currently valid special (device) file |
| file selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 11 through 20 |
| HP-UX path name | path name of an ordinary file or special (device) file | — |

Examples

```
ASSIGN 7 TO "hpib"
```

```
ASSIGN 7 TO "hpib,device_01"
```

```
ASSIGN 8 TO "gpio"
```

```
ASSIGN 8 TO "gpio,/dev/gpio_device"
```

```
ASSIGN 5 TO "hp2627,ttty"
```

```
ASSIGN 5 TO "hp98700,/dev/crt; hil,hil2"
```

```
ASSIGN 11 TO "/dir1/dir2/myfile"
```

```
ASSIGN 20 TO "/dev/lp"
```

```
ASSIGN 7 TO "*"
```

```
ASSIGN 15 TO "*"
```

Description

Assigning Device Selectors to I/O Resources

Before performing I/O operations with an interface, or with a device connected to an interface (using `CONTROL`, `STATUS`, `OUTPUT`, `ENTER`, etc.), the corresponding resource must be assigned a unique *device selector*—a numeric value the range 3 through 10.

The *I/O driver type* identifies the type of interface driver that is to be used with this resource. (A driver is a program that is used by the system to communicate with a particular device or interface.) On this system, the I/O driver type must be either `hpiib` or `gpio`, since these are the only type of interfaces supported for general I/O operations. Assignments for plotting operations require *Starbase* (graphics library) drivers; see the next section for details.

The *special (device) file* parameter is the actual name of an HP-UX file that the System Administrator associated with an interface or device (using the `mknod`, “make node,” command described on subsequent pages). This file is assumed to be in the `/dev` directory if a pathname is not specified. This file’s *type* must match the *type* of the specified I/O driver (but the *file name* does not have to be the same as the *driver type*). For instance, if the *I/O driver type* is `hpiib`, then the device file must be associated with an HP-IB interface or device; however, the device file need not be named `hpiib`. If this parameter is omitted, the default is either `/dev/hpiib` or `/dev/gpio`, whichever matches the specified *I/O driver type*.

GPIO Device Selectors: Here is an example of assigning a device selector to a GPIO node. The *special (device) file* is named `gpio_device`; since it is in the `/dev` directory, you need not specify the pathname:

```
ASSIGN 8 TO "gpio,gpio_device"  
OUTPUT 8;OutputValue  
ENTER 8;InputValue
```

This assignment assumes that a node has been created for this device using something like the following HP-UX commands (which require *superuser* capabilities, usually possessed only by the System Administrator¹):

```
# /etc/mknod /dev/gpio_device c 18 0x030000   
# chmod 666 /dev/gpio_device 
```

The *driver number* (also called the *major number*) for GPIO interfaces on Series 200/300 computers is 22; on Series 500 computers, the GPIO driver number is 18.

You can check to see what the current device files are by using the HP-UX *long list* (`ll`) command.

```
$ ll /dev/gpio_device   
crw-rw-rw- 1 root other 18 0x030000 Feb 4 15:24 /dev/gpio_device  
$
```

¹ For further explanation of special (device) files and associated major and minor node numbers, see the *HP-UX System Administrator Manual*.

HP-IB Device Selectors: There are two types of HP-IB nodes:

- Those **with primary addressing** (“auto-addressed”)—used to communicate with *specific* devices.
- Those **without primary addressing** (“raw”)—used to communicate with interfaces. (Addressing can be supplied, when needed, in BASIC I/O statements to address specific HP-IB devices.)

An HP-IB Node without Addressing (Raw Node): This type of node is created using something like the following HP-UX commands:

```
# /etc/mknod /dev/hpib2 c 12 0x021f00   
# chmod 666 /dev/hpib2 
```

The *driver number* (also called the *major number*). for HP-IB interfaces on Series 200/300 computers is 21; on Series 500 computers, the HP-IB driver number is 12.

The *minor number* should contain a value of 1f in the primary address field, which specifies that the node is in “raw” mode.

You can check to see what the current device files are by using the HP-UX *long list* (ll) command.

```
$ ll /dev/hpib*   
crw-rw-rw-  1 root  other 12 0x021f00  Feb 4  15:18  /dev/hpib2  
$
```

Now you can **ASSIGN** a device selector to this type of device file, and then use the device selector in I/O statements. For instance:

```
ASSIGN 7 TO "hpib,/dev/hpib2"  
OUTPUT 701;"This is sent to the HP-IB device at address 01."  
ENTER 722;Voltage  
STATUS 7,1;Register_1  
CONTROL 7,1;SRQ_line
```

Note that when using a raw-mode device file, you can specify the primary address of HP-IB devices, such as in the above OUTPUT 701;... and ENTER 722;... statements.

An HP-IB Node with an Address (Auto-Addressed Node): This type of node is created using something like the following HP-UX commands:

```
# /etc/mknod /dev/hpib_01 c 12 0x020100 
# chmod 666 /dev/hpib_01 
```

With a device selector assigned to this type of node, you could **not** use any primary addressing in I/O statements that use this device selector. You could only use statements such as the following (which do not specify any primary addressing information):

```
ASSIGN 3 TO "hpib,/dev/hpib_01"
OUTPUT 3;"Send to 201."
ENTER 3;From201
```

Note that statements like CONTROL and STATUS statements will not work, since they do not allow primary addressing information in the device selector.

With HP-IB nodes, you can use whichever of the above method works best for your purposes.

Assigning Device Selectors to Starbase Resources

Before performing plotting operations with a Starbase resource (with PLOTTER IS, PLOT, DIGITIZE, etc.), the corresponding resource must be assigned a unique *device selector*—a numeric value the range 3 through 10.

The *Starbase driver type* identifies the type of Starbase (graphics library) driver that is to be used with this resource. (A driver is a program that is used by the system to communicate with a particular device or interface.) On this system, the *Starbase driver type* must be one of the following literals (the corresponding device is also given in the table on the next page, along with the type of operations that are supported on the device).

Starbase Driver Names for Graphic I/O Devices

| Driver Name | Description | Operations Supported |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| hp2623 | 2623 Terminal | Input and Output ¹ |
| hp2627 | 2627 Terminal | Input and Output |
| hp262x | 2623 or 2627 or other 262x Graphics Terminal | Input and Output |
| hp2625 | 2625 Terminal | Output only |
| hp2628 | 2628 Terminal | Output only |
| hp9837 | 9837 Display | Output, block read/write ² |
| hpwindow9837 | Graphics Windows on HP 9837 | Input, output, block read/ write |
| hp300l | Series 300 low-resolution Graphics Display | Output, block read/write |
| hpwindow300l | Graphics Windows on Series 300 low-resolution Graphics Display | Input, output, block read/write |
| hp300h | Series 300 high-resolution Graphics Display | Output, block read/write |
| hpwindow300h | Graphics Windows on Series 300 high-resolution Graphics Display | Input, output, block read/write |
| hp98700 | 98700 Display Controller | Output, block read/write |
| hpwindow98700 | Graphics Windows on 98700 | Input, output, block read/write |
| hp98710 | 98710 Display | Output, block read/write |
| hp98760 | 98760 Display | Output only |
| hp9020 | 9020 Display | Output, block read/write |
| hpgl | HPGL ³ devices (includes most HP-IB plotters and some input devices) | I/O capabilities are device-dependent |
| hphil | HP-HIL devices ⁴ | Input only |
| hil | HP-HIL devices | Input only |
| hp-hil | HP-HIL devices | Input only |

¹ "Output" specifies plotting (**DRAW**, **MOVE**, **PLOT**, etc.); "Input" specifies digitizing (**DIGITIZE**, **CURSOR**, etc.).

² "Block read/write" indicates that byte-plotting and byte-reading operations are supported for this device (**BPLOT** and **BREAD**).

³ "HPGL" (Hewlett-Packard Graphics Language) devices include most plotters and HP-IB graphics tablets.

⁴ HP-HIL (Hewlett-Packard Human Interface Link) devices include the mouse, HIL tablets, TouchScreens, and other graphics input devices connected to the computer through the HP-HIL interface.

The *special (device) file* parameter is the actual name of an HP-UX file that the System Administrator associated with an interface or device (using the `mknod`, “make node,” command described momentarily). This file is assumed to be in the `/dev` directory if a pathname is not specified. This file’s *type* must match the specified *Starbase driver type* (but the file name does not have to match the driver type). For instance, if the *Starbase driver type* is `hp300h`, then the device file must be associated with a Series 300 high-resolution display; however, the device file does not have to be called `hp300h`. If this parameter is omitted (possible only with output devices, when no input device is specified), the default is the device file in the `/dev` directory of the same name. Also note that its type must match the *type* of the specified Starbase driver.

Output Devices: Here is an example of assigning a device selector to a Series 300 graphics display. The *special (device) file* is named `crt`; since it is in the `/dev` directory, you need not specify the pathname:

```
ASSIGN 5 TO "hp3001,crt"  
PLOTTER IS 5  
MOVE 10,30  
DRAW 100,100
```

Since this is device has “output” (plotting) capabilities, but no “input” (digitizing) capabilities, no `DIGITIZE` or `CURSOR` statements can be executed. See the “Separate Graphics Output and Input Devices” section below for an example of specifying a separate input device when using this type of output device.

This assignment assumes that a node has been created for this device using something like the following HP-UX commands (which require *superuser* capabilities, usually possessed only by the System Administrator¹):

```
# /etc/mknod /dev/crt c 12 0x000000   
# chmod 666 /dev/crt 
```

The *driver number* (also called the *major number*) for this Series 300 display is 12.

You can check to see what the current device files are by using the HP-UX *long list* (`ll`) command.

```
$ ll /dev/crt   
crw-rw-rw- 1 root other 12 0x000000 Feb 5 13:05 /dev/crt  
$
```

¹ For further explanation of Starbase drivers, special (device) files, and associated major and minor numbers, see the *Starbase Device Drivers Library* manual.

HP Windows/9000: Here is an example of assigning a device selector to an HP Windows/9000 “graphics window.” The *special (device) file* is named `screen/basic-graph`; since it is in the `/dev` directory, you need to specify the full pathname:

```
ASSIGN 5 TO "hpwindow98700,screen/basic-graph"  
PLOTTER IS 5  
MOVE 10,30  
DRAW 100,100
```

Since this type of device has “output” (plotting) capabilities, but no “input” (digitizing) capabilities, no `DIGITIZE` or `CURSOR` statements can be executed. See the “Separate Graphics Output and Input Devices” section below for an example of specifying a separate input device when using this type of output device.

This assignment assumes that a window has been created using something like the following commands (in an HP-UX shell):

```
$ wmstart   
$ wcreate -w graphics -s800,600 basic-graph 
```

You can check to see what the current device files are by using the HP-UX *long list* (`ll`) command.

```
$ ll /dev/screen/basic-graph   
crw--w--w-  2 mark      17 0x000011  Feb 19 12:18  basic-graph  
$
```

Separate Graphics Output and Input Devices: Some graphics devices are listed in the preceding table as having only “output” capabilities—that is, plotting capabilities (`MOVE`, `DRAW`, `PLOT`, etc). If you also want to perform graphics input operations (digitizing operations using `DIGITIZE` and `CURSOR`), then you will need to specify a separate input device in the `ASSIGN` statement.

Here is an example of assigning a device selector to an HP 98700 Display (output device) and a mouse (input device). The Starbase driver type for this output device is `hp98700`. The *special (device) file* for the output device is named `crt`; since it is in the `/dev` directory, you need not specify the pathname. The Starbase driver type for the input device is `hphil`. Its device file is named `hil2`. (Again, there is no need to specify the `/dev/` pathname, since the device file is in this directory.)

```
ASSIGN 6 TO "hp98700,crt;hphil,hil2"  
PLOTTER IS 6
```

This assignment assumes that nodes have been created for this device using something like the following HP-UX commands (this example is for a Series 300 system):

```
# /etc/mknod /dev/crt c 12 0x000000 Return
# chmod 666 /dev/crt Return

# /etc/mknod /dev/hil2 c 24 0x000002 Return
# chmod 666 /dev/hil2 Return
```

The minor number of the output device indicates that it is connected to an “internal” HIL interface (internal/external mode of operation is set by a switch on the 98287 interface card).

The minor number of the input device indicates that it is the 2nd device (from the computer) on an HP-HIL interface. For instance, a keyboard is the “first” HIL device when it is connected directly to the computer’s HIL interface; the mouse is then the “second” device when it is connected to the keyboard.

You can check to see what the current device files are by using the HP-UX *long list* (ll) command.

```
$ ll /dev/hp98700 Return
crw-rw-rw- 1 root other 12 0x000000 Feb 5 11:12 /dev/hp98700
$ ll /dev/hil2 Return
crw-rw-rw- 1 root other 12 0x000002 Feb 5 11:12 /dev/hil2
$
```

HPGL Devices: Here is an example of assigning to a Hewlett-Packard Graphics Language (HPGL) plotter. If the HPGL device has *both* output and input capabilities (the plotter’s operating manual will list its specific capabilities), then you can plot and digitize after making the proper assignments.

The special file is named `plotter`; since it is in the `/dev` directory, you need not specify the pathname:

```
ASSIGN 5 TO "hpgl,plotter"
PLOTTER IS 5
MOVE 10,30
DRAW 100,100
DIGITIZE Xpenpos, Ypenpos
```

This assignment assumes that a node has been created for this device using something like the following HP-UX commands (this example is for a Series 500 system):

```
# /etc/mknod /dev/plotter c 12 0x020500   
# chmod 666 /dev/plotter 
```

The *driver number* for HP-IB interfaces on Series 200/300 computers is 21; on Series 500 computers, the HP-IB driver number is 12.

You can check to see what the current device files are by using the HP-UX *long list* (11) command.

```
$ ll /dev/plotter   
crw-rw-rw-  1 root  other 12 0x020500  Feb 4  15:24  /dev/plotter  
$
```

If you change the size of paper on an external plotter, then you must close the device selector assigned to the plotter and then re-open it. Otherwise, BASIC will not be aware of the change.

Assigning File Selectors

File selectors in the range 11 through 20 may be assigned to HP-UX *text/data* files. More than one file selector may be assigned to a given file; however, this practice is not recommended when one file selector is being used to write to the file. *ASSIGN* may not be used to assign a file selector to *BASIC/DATA* files; use *ASSIGN#* instead.

Cancelling Assignments

Once a device or file selector is assigned to a resource, that assignment should be cancelled (or “closed”) before a new device selector is assigned to the same resource.

To cancel an assignment, assign the device selector to "*". For example, the statement *ASSIGN 7 TO "*"* cancels the current assignment of device selector 7.

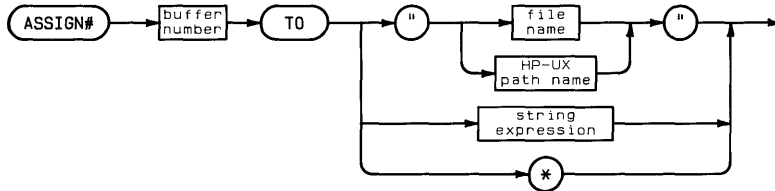
Related Keywords

OUTPUT, ENTER, CONTROL, STATUS, CRT IS, PRINTER IS, PLOTTER IS

ASSIGN#

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The ASSIGN# statement opens a BASIC/DATA file by assigning to it a mass storage buffer.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| buffer number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 10 |
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
ASSIGN# 1 TO "myfile"  
ASSIGN# 10 TO "system/accounting/may"  
ASSIGN# 3 TO A$
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the file must be in the current working directory.

A data file must be opened before it can be accessed. Once a buffer is assigned to a file, it remains associated with that file until the file is closed. When a file is opened, the file pointer is placed at the beginning of the file.

A file can be closed by:

- Executing `ASSIGN# buffer number TO *`.
- Assigning its buffer to another file.

The following operations cause data to be transferred from the buffer to the disc:

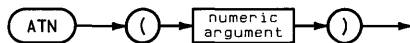
- The buffer becomes full.
- The file is closed.
- Program execution is halted.
- A new logical record located in a new disc block is accessed using a random access `PRINT#`.
- A `PRINT#` statement is executed from the keyboard.

Related Keywords

`PRINT#`, `READ#`

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ATN function returns the arctangent of the numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

Theta=ATN(1)
DISP ATN(A)

Description

The function returns a REAL number. The value returned depends on the current trigonometric mode. In RAD (the default) mode, the value returned is in the range $-\pi/2$ through $\pi/2$ radians. In DEG mode, the value returned is in the range -90 through 90 degrees. In GRAD mode, the value returned is in the range -100 through 100 .

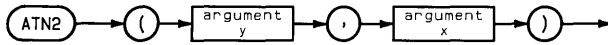
Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD, RAD, TAN

ATN2

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The ATN2 function returns the arctangent of Y/X in the proper quadrant.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|--------------------|-------|
| argument Y | numeric expression | — |
| argument X | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
Theta=ATN2(4,3)  
DISP ATN2(PointY,PointX)
```

Description

The function returns a **REAL** number. The value returned depends on the current trigonometric mode. In **RAD** (the default) mode, the value returned is in the range $-\pi$ through π radians. In **DEG** mode, the value returned is in the range -180 through 180 degrees. In **GRAD** mode, the value returned is in the range -200 through 200 .

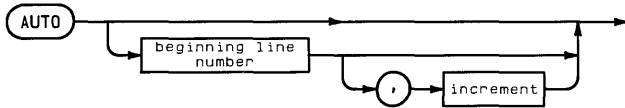
Related Keywords

ATN, DEG, GRAD, RAD, TAN

AUTO

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable No
In an IF...THEN No

The AUTO command provides automatic line numbering during program entry.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| beginning line number | integer constant (default=10) | 1 through 65,535 |
| increment | integer constant (default=10) | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

AUTO 50
AUTO 100,2

Description

Executing AUTO displays the specified beginning line number. When that line has been entered, a new line number, computed by increasing the current line number by the increment, is displayed.

Automatic line numbering is halted by pressing `Return` in response to a new line number.¹

Related Keywords

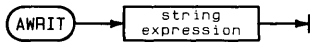
NORMAL

¹ Pressing `Return` immediately after a line number does not delete that line. For example, typing `100 Return` does not delete line 100.

AWRIT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The AWRIT statement displays the specified string at the current cursor location on the alpha display.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| string expression | string expression containing characters that are to be sent to the display | any valid string expression |

Examples

```
AWRIT String$  
AWRIT String$(3,5)[1,10]&"-----"
```

Description

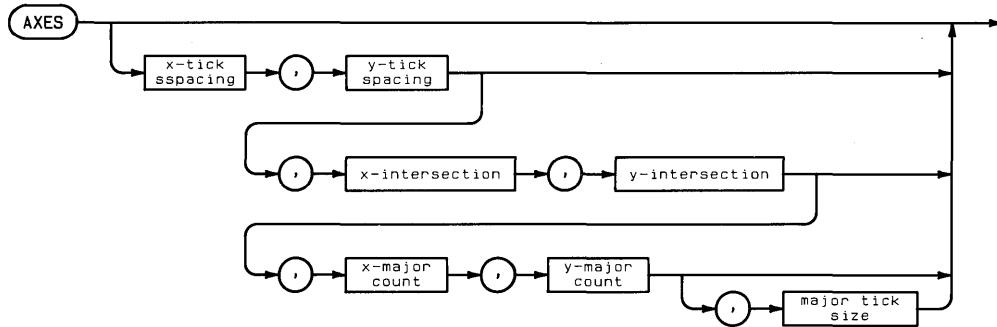
The string copied to the display by AWRIT can be up to 65,530 characters in length. If necessary, the alphanumeric display scrolls to display the string as it is being copied. If the string is shorter than the size of display memory, AWRIT has no effect on cursor position; the cursor remains positioned at the first character of the AWRIT string. If the string is longer than the size of alphanumeric display memory, lines are lost from the top of display memory.

Related Keywords

ALPHA, AREAD

AXES

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes



The AXES statement draws a pair of axes, with optional major and minor ticks, on the plotting device.

| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|-------|
| x-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=10 ticks on the x axis) | — |
| y-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=10 ticks on the y axis) | — |
| x-intersection | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=lower-left corner when no tick-spacing is specified; and 0,0 when tick-spacing is specified) | — |
| y-intersection | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=lower-left corner when no tick-spacing is specified; and 0,0 when tick-spacing is specified) | — |
| x major count | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between major tick marks on the x axis (default=1) | — |
| y major count | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between major tick marks on the y axis (default=1) | — |
| major tick size | length of a major tick, in graphics units (default=2) | — |

Examples

AXES 1,2

AXES 1,2,X(I),Y(I)

AXES 1,2,40,20,3,6

Description

The axes are drawn inside the plotting boundaries using the current line type. Tick marks are drawn symmetrically from the intersection of the two axes such that a major tick mark on each axis corresponds with the origin.

The x- and y-tick spacing parameters specify the distance between tick marks on each axis. Negative numbers are interpreted as positive values by taking the absolute value. When no x- and y-tick spacing parameters are specified, 10 ticks are drawn on each axis.

The x-intersection parameter specifies, in current x-axis units, the point where the x-axis intersects the y-axis. The y-intersection parameter specifies, in current y-axis units, the point where the y-axis intersects the x-axis.

The x- and y-major count parameters specify the number of intervals between major ticks. For example, a major count of 4 means that every fourth tick is a major tick. The default value of one draws each tick as a major tick.

The major tick size parameter specifies the length of the major ticks in graphics units. The default length is 2 GU's. Minor ticks are always $\frac{1}{2}$ the size of major ticks.

Related Keywords

GRID, LINE TYPE, LAXES, LGRID, XAXIS, YAXIS

BEEP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The BEEP statement produces an audible tone (on machines with the corresponding hardware capability).



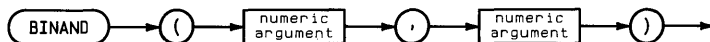
Examples

```
BEEP  
IF TimeIsUp THEN BEEP
```

BINAND

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The BINAND function returns the bit-by-bit AND of the binary representation of two integer arguments.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|-------------------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | range of integers |

Examples

```

X = BINAND(A(1),31)
DISP BINAND(4X*2,Y)
  
```

Description

The arguments are represented as two's complement integers. The results of each bit-by-bit AND are used to construct the integer returned by the function. Each bit is computed according to the following truth table.

Logical AND Used in BINAND

| Argument #1 | Argument #2 | Result |
|-------------|-------------|--------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

Related Keywords

BINCMP, BINEOR, BINIOR, BIT

BINCMP

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The BINCMP function returns the binary (one's) complement of an integer.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|-------------------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | range of integers |

Examples

```
Tflag=BINCMP(Z)  
DISP BINCMP(2X+4)
```

Description

The argument is represented as a two's complement integer. Each bit of the result is the inverse of the corresponding bit in the argument (that is, the one's complement). If the argument is smaller than the number of bits per integer, leading zeros are assumed.

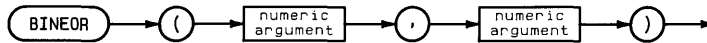
Related Keywords

BINAND, BINEOR, BINIOR, BIT

BINEOR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The BINEOR function returns the bit-by-bit exclusive OR of the binary representation of two integer arguments.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------|---|-------------------|
| argument | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | range of integers |

Examples

```
A=BINEOR(S(1),S(2))  
DISP BINEOR(2X,6)
```

Description

The arguments are represented as two's complement integers. The result of each bit-by-bit exclusive OR is used to construct the integer returned by the function. Each bit is computed according to the following truth table.

Exclusive OR Used in BINEOR

| Argument #1 | Argument #2 | Result |
|-------------|-------------|--------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |

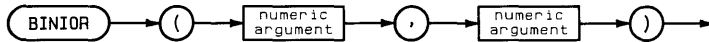
Related Keywords

BINAND, BINCOMP, BINIOR, BIT

BINIOR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The BINIOR function returns the bit-by-bit inclusive OR of the binary representation of two integer arguments.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|-------------------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | range of integers |

Examples

```
DISP BINIOR(X(1),C(1))
IF BINIOR(B,1)=8 THEN 200
```

Description

The arguments are represented as two's complement integers. The result of each bit-by-bit inclusive OR is used to construct the integer returned by the function. Each bit is computed according to the following truth table.

Inclusive OR Used in BINIOR

| Argument #1 | Argument #2 | Result |
|-------------|-------------|--------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

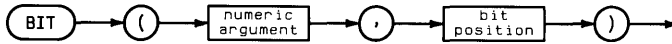
Related Keywords

BINAND, BINCMP, BINEOR, BIT

BIT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The BIT function returns the value (0 or 1) of the specified bit of the argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|--|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | range of integers |
| bit position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, indicating which bit is returned | 1 through the number of bits per integer |

Examples

```
Flag1=BIT(A(1),0)
IF BIT(R1,15)=1 THEN R1$="ON"
```

Description

The argument is represented as a two's complement integer. Bit 0 is the least significant bit.

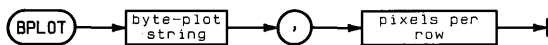
Related Keywords

BINAND, BINCOMP, BINEOR

BPLOT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The BPLOT (*byte-plot*) statement plots groups of pixels (dots) on graphics raster-type displays¹.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|--|
| byte-plot string | string expression | non-displayable characters must be specified using CHR\$ or a metacharacter sequence |
| pixels per row | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | cannot exceed the pixel-width of the display* |

*The number of raster pixels per row is machine-dependent.

Examples

```
BPLOT CHR$(PenNumber),1  
BPLOT RPT$(CHR$(1),5),5  
BPLOT A$&"11("&CHR$(122), N
```

¹ BPLOT is only possible on devices which are capable of *block read/write* operations. If BPLOT is attempted on any other device, BASIC will report the error:

```
Display type: hpXXXX doesn't support this operation  
Error 126 PLOTTER
```

See ASSIGN for a list of devices that support this type of operation.

Description

BPLOT plots pixels on the current PLOTTER IS device.

Plotting starts at the current pen position and moves across rows of pixels from left to right. Each character (byte) in the byte-plot string corresponds to one pixel on the display.

- On **monochrome** displays, only the value of bit 0 is used; thus, bytes with odd values turn pixels on, and bytes with even values turn them off.
- On **color** displays, the lower bits of each byte determine the pen number; for instance, on devices with 8 pen colors, bits 2 through 0 determine the pen color used to draw the pixel.

The pixels per row parameter determines how many pixels (and therefore characters) are plotted on a row. When the specified number of pixels are plotted, the pen is moved down one row, and remains just below the left-most pixel of the preceding row.

The sign of the *pixels per row* parameter determines how BPLOT pixels interact with existing pixels. If the parameter is positive, BPLOT performs an *exclusive OR* with existing pixels. When the parameter is negative, new BPLOT pixels overwrite existing pixels. Here are several examples to illustrate these effects.

BPLOT Interaction With Existing Dots

| Pen | Default Color ¹ |
|-----|----------------------------|
| 0 | Black |
| 1 | White |
| 2 | Red |
| 3 | Yellow |
| 4 | Green |
| 5 | Cyan |
| 6 | Blue |
| 7 | Magenta |

| BPLOT Byte / PEN # (in byte-plot string) | Existing Pixel (on display) | New Pixel (on display) | |
|---|--------------------------------|--|--|
| | | Positive Bytes Per Row Parameter (EXOR) | Negative Bytes Per Row Parameter (Dominant Write) |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 |

At the conclusion of the byte-plot, the pen is moved to the next row of pixels, directly beneath the left-most pixel just plotted.

Related Keywords

BREAD

¹ The colors of these pens can be changed with *Starbase* (graphics library) calls.

BREAD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **BREAD** (*byte-read*) statement reads groups of pixels (dots) from the current graphics raster display, converts each pixel into a character, and stores the character(s) in the specified string variable¹.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------------|--|---|
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array element | any valid name |
| pixels per row | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | cannot exceed pixel-width of the display* |

*The number of raster dots per row is machine-dependent.

Examples

```
BREAD PixelColors$,3  
BREAD String$(3), N
```

¹ **BREAD** is only possible on devices which are capable of *block read/write* operations. If **BREAD** is attempted on any other device, BASIC will report the error:

```
Display type: hpXXXX doesn't support this operation  
Error 128 PLOTTER
```

See **ASSIGN** for a list of devices that support this type of operation.

Description

BREAD reads pixels from the current **PLOTTER IS** device.

BREAD starts reading at the current pen position, and reads across the row of pixels from left to right. Each pixel is converted to a character whose binary equivalent is the pen number used to draw the pixel. For instance, if a pixel was drawn with pen 1, then the corresponding character in the string is **CHR\$(1)**—assuming the default color map is in effect.

The *pixels per row* parameter determines how many pixels are read on a row. When the specified number of characters has been read, the pen moves to the next row, and byte-reading continues. At the conclusion of the byte-read, the pen is moved down one row, and remains just below the left-most pixel of the preceding row read with **BREAD**.

The **BREAD** string can contain characters with decimal codes in the range 0 through 255. If the contents of the string are to be displayed (on the alpha display) or printed, the characters with decimal codes in the range 0 through 31 should be converted to decimal numbers (using **NUM**) to avoid unpredictable display or printer activity.

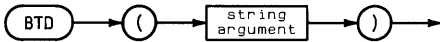
Related Keywords

BPLOT

BTD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The BTD (*binary-to-decimal*) function interprets the string argument as the binary representation of a number and returns the numeric decimal equivalent.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|---|
| string argument | string expression containing the base 2 representation of an integer | 0's and 1's only; cannot exceed the range of integers |

Examples

```
Y=BTD(H$)+X  
DISP BTD("11010000")
```

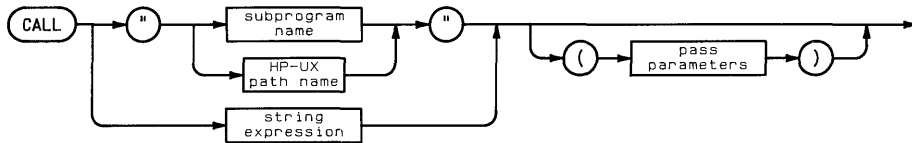
Related Keywords

DTB\$, DTH\$, DT0\$, HTD, OTD

CALL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The CALL statement transfers program execution to the specified subprogram and, optionally, passes parameters into the subprogram.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| subprogram name | literal; name of a BASIC/SUBP file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a subprogram name or HP-UX path name | — |
| simple variable name | name of a simple numeric or string variable | any valid name |
| array element | element of a numeric or string array | — |
| numeric constant | none | — |
| literal | string constant containing keyboard characters, the CHR\$ function, and/or metacharacter sequences | — |
| arithmetic or relational expression | expression containing variables and/or constants, along with arithmetic or relational operators | — |

Examples

```
CALL Solstice"
```

```
CALL "SUB#1"(Number, String$, Array$( ), Element$(3,7) [4,9], A*B/2)
```

```
CALL "/D1/D2/SUB1"((a))
```

Description

The CALL statement searches system memory and, if necessary, the current working directory or specified mass storage location, for the designated subprogram. The HP-UX path name must be used if the subprogram file is located elsewhere than computer memory or the current working directory. When the subprogram is found (and, if necessary, loaded), execution begins.

There are three ways to pass parameters between the calling (sub)program and the called subprogram:

- The variables can be included in COM statements in the main program and one or more subprograms. Changes in the values assigned to these variables are returned to the calling program. Numeric and string constants cannot be transferred this way.
- Parameters can be passed by address. The declared precision of numeric variables accompanies them into the subprogram. Changes in the values assigned to the variables are returned to the calling program. Entire arrays can be passed this way, as well as individual elements of arrays. When an array is passed to a subprogram, the option base of the program and subprogram must agree.
- Parameters can be passed by value. Changes in the values assigned to the variables are *local* to the subprogram; they are not transferred back to the calling program. Individual elements of arrays can be passed this way; entire arrays cannot be passed unless they are specified element by element. Numeric and string expressions can be passed by value.

Parameters are passed in the order in which they appear, left to right. The CALL statement can contain fewer parameters than the SUB statement of the subprogram it calls. Optional parameters are listed following the required parameters. The number of parameters passed into the subprogram is returned by the NPAR function. At the beginning of subprogram execution, unfilled numeric parameters are set to 0, type REAL; unfilled string parameters are set to the null string.

Certain system properties are global; they are passed between the main program and subprograms. Other properties are local known only to the program or subprogram in which they are set or enabled. The following declarations are local; all others are global:

Local Properties

OFF ERROR ⇔ ON ERROR

OFF KEY# ⇔ ON KEY#

OFF KYBD ⇔ ON KYBD

OFF TIMEOUT ⇔ ON TIMEOUT

OFF TIMER# ⇔ ON TIMER#

When SUBEND or SUBEXIT is executed, program execution returns to the statement immediately following CALL. Subprograms cannot be invoked by event-initiated branching.

Refer to the table of Reset Conditions in the “Reference Tables” section for additional information.

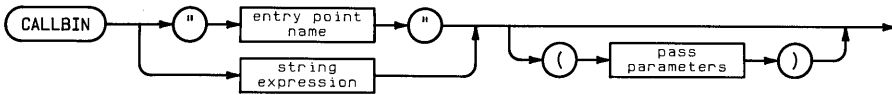
Related Keywords

COM, FINDPROG, NPAR, STORE, SUB

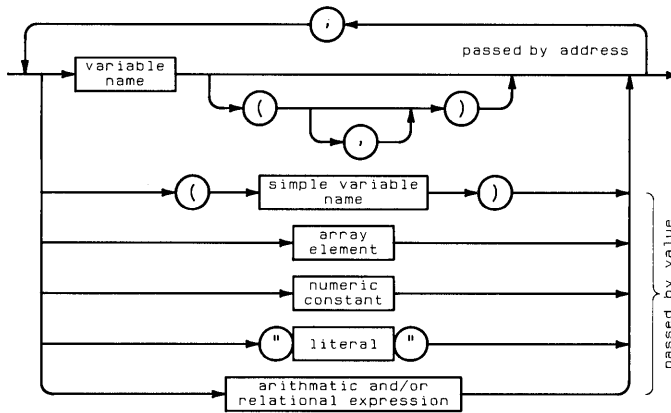
CALLBIN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The CALLBIN statement calls (passes control to) an entry point in a binary program.



pass parameters



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| entry point name | literal; name of an entry point | language-dependent (usually 8 to 16 characters) |
| string expression | expression evaluating to an entry point name | — |
| pass parameters | (see diagram) | — |
| simple variable name | name of a simple numeric or string variable | any valid name |
| array element | element of a numeric or string array | — |
| numeric constant | none | — |
| literal | string constant containing keyboard characters, the CHR\$ function, and/or metacharacter sequences | — |
| arithmetic or relational expression | expression containing variables and/or constants, along with arithmetic or relational operators | — |

Examples

```
CALLBIN "EntryPoint"
CALLBIN EntryPoint$
CALLBIN "EntryPoint" (PassByRef,ByVal1+ByVal2)
CALLBIN "drawpattern" (A(),(B),C$,D(4,5),2E12,"abcde",4*A)
```

Description

Binaries can make no references to BASIC system entry points—all communication with BASIC is through pass parameters listed in the CALLBIN statement.

Compiling and Linking Binaries

Once a binary is written in another language, you should use the following procedure to compile it and link it to BASIC:

1. Use the appropriate script supplied with the BASIC system (the default location is in the /usr/bin directory):
 - `makebin_c`—compiles and links C binaries to BASIC.
 - `makebin_p`—compiles and links Pascal binaries to BASIC.
 - `makebin_f`—compiles and links Fortran binaries to BASIC.
2. The output file specified in the shell call now contains the compiled, linked binary. The binary can then be loaded using LOADBIN.

Loading and Calling Binaries

Before being called by BASIC, binary programs must have been previously loaded with `LOADBIN`. In addition, Pascal and Fortran require initialization routines to be run before calling the binary routines.

Pascal Binary Calls

```
100 INTEGER echo
110 echo=0
120 LOADBIN "PMod" !           Load binary (a 'module').
130 CALLBIN "brt_pascalinit"(echo) ! Initialization.
140 !
150 CALLBIN "PMod_EntPt" (PassParms) ! Call the binary.
160 !
170 CALLBIN "brt_pascalwrap" !   Call 'wrap-up' routine.
180 SCRATCHBIN "PMod" !       Unload binary.
```

Note the naming convention for Pascal entry points. They consist of the Pascal module name (PMod above), an underscore (`_`) character, and finally the Pascal procedure name (EntPt above).

Fortran Binary Calls

```
120 LOADBIN "Ftn" !           Load binary.
130 CALLBIN "finit" !         Initialization.
140 !
150 CALLBIN "EntryPt" (PassParms) ! Call the binary.
160 !
170 SCRATCHBIN "Ftn! !       Unload binary.
```

The of a Fortran entry point is the name of the `SUBROUTINE` in the object file produced by the `makebin_f` script.

When the binary has finished execution, BASIC resumes execution at the statement following `CALLBIN`.

If duplicate entry point names are present, the first entry point retrieved into memory is executed.

Passing BASIC Variables Into Binaries

The following rules apply to `CALLBIN` pass parameters:

- Variables can be passed from BASIC by reference (address) or by value to C and Pascal binaries (see syntax diagram). However, parameters must be passed to Fortran Only by reference.
- The routine to which the BASIC parameters are passed must have *matching* parameters—in *type* and in *number*. In “C”, for example, BASIC `INTEGER` variables and integer constants become C type `int`; `SHORT` variables become C type `float`; `REAL` variables, and all numeric expressions except integer constants, becomes C type `double`.
- Array dimensions must be declared in the binary to match those in the BASIC program.

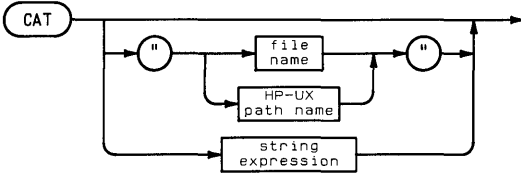
Related Keywords

`CALL`, `LOADBIN`, `SCRATCHBIN`

CAT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **CAT** statement displays the contents of the current working directory, the specified directory, or the directory listing of a particular file.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```

CAT "/vol1"
CAT "vol1/dir2"

```

Description

When no file or directory is specified, **CAT** catalogs the current working directory.

The output from **CAT** depends on whether the file is a directory or non-directory file, and whether the non-directory file was created in **BASIC** or elsewhere.

Cataloging Directory Files

When the specified file is a directory, CAT displays the path to the specified directory (as specified in the CAT parameter) and a list of the directory contents. The directory entry for each file contains the following information:

- name - the file name.
- size - the size of the file in bytes.
- type - directory, text/data, fifo/pipe, or device.
- permission - read, write, read/write, or none.
- date modified - the date the file was last modified.

When CAT is executed without parameters, the contents of the current working directory and the directory's absolute path name are listed. Files with file names beginning with a period will not be listed.

Cataloging BASIC Files

When the specified file is a BASIC file, CAT displays the following information about the file:

- name - the file name.
- bytes - the number of bytes per file record.
- recs - the number of records in the file.
- blocks - the number of blocks occupied by the file.
- type - BASIC/DATA, BASIC/PROG (program), BASIC/SUBP (subprogram), BASIC/GRAF (graphics).
- date modified - the date the file was last changed.

If the file name is used alone rather than as part of an HP-UX path name, the file must be located in the current working directory. Files beginning with a period will be listed.

Cataloging Non-BASIC Files

If the specified file is not a directory and is not a BASIC-type file, the catalog consists of a file header followed by one line one line containing the name, size, type, permission, and date modified.

CEIL

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The CEIL function returns the smallest integer greater than or equal to the numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

T=CEIL (X)
RoundUpX=CEIL (X)

Description

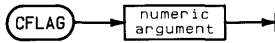
The CEIL and IP functions return the same result for negative arguments.

Related Keywords

IP, INT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The CFLAG statement clears the specified flag.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|----------------|
| flag number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | +1 through +64 |

Examples

```
CFLAG 25  
IF X#4 then CFLAG 2*I
```

Description

The CFLAG statement clears one flag at a time. SFLAG is used to clear from 1 to the entire 64 flags at once.

All flags are cleared when RUN, INIT, or CHAIN is executed.

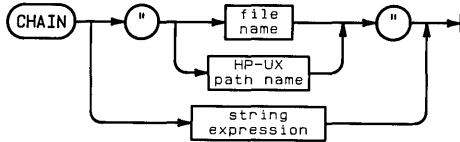
Related Keywords

FLAG, FLAG\$, SFLAG

CHAIN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The CHAIN statement scratches the current BASIC program, retrieves the specified BASIC/PROG file, and starts program execution.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
CHAIN "Filename"
CHAIN FILE$
CHAIN "/Dir1/Dir2/filename"
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the file must be in the current working directory.

When a program is chained:

- All variable assignments are scratched except those declared in common by COM statements in the calling program and chained program.
- Assignments made to the user-defined keys by the previous program are scratched.
- Event-initiated branches (ON ERROR, ON TIMER#, ON KEY#, ON KYBD, ON TIMEOUT) are disabled.
- Binary programs in memory remain intact.
- Program flags are cleared.
- All subprograms in memory are scratched.

Refer to the table of Reset Conditions in the “Reference Tables” section for additional information.

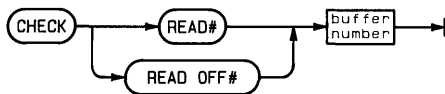
Related Keywords

COM

CHECK READ#

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **CHECK READ#** statement enables and disables an optional verification of data written on a disc.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------------|---|--------------|
| buffer number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 10 |

Examples

```
CHECK READ# 1
CHECK READ# BufferNumber
CHECK READ OFF# 1
```

Description

When check read is enabled, the system performs an immediate read-after-write verification whenever data is transferred from the specified buffer to the disc. If a byte-by-byte comparison detects a difference, an error is reported.

Check read is disabled by executing **CHECK READ OFF#**.

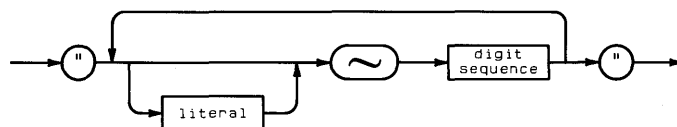
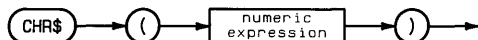
Related Keywords

PRINT#

CHR\$

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The CHR\$ function converts a numeric value into a string character according to the machine character set.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|---|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, rounded to an integer and moduloed 256 to evaluate within the range 0 through 255 | numbers outside the range -32 768 through +32 767 are interpreted as 255. |

Examples

```
PRINT A,B,CHR$(13), C  
IF A$[X,X]=CHR$(10) THEN 300
```

Description

CHR\$ can be used to include non-displayable characters and quotation marks in literals. (The metacharacter, ~, can also be used. Refer to the glossary for further information.)

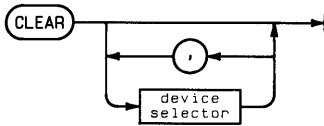
Related Keywords

NUM

CLEAR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

When executed without a device selector, the **CLEAR** statement clears the contents of the alpha (CRT IS) display. When a device selector is specified, **CLEAR** clears the corresponding interface or resets the peripheral device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | --- |

Examples

```
CLEAR  
CLEAR 7  
CLEAR 705  
CLEAR 922, 924
```

Description

CLEAR Without Parameters

When **CLEAR** is executed without parameters, it clears all of alpha display memory and moves the cursor to home position (row 1, column 1).

CLEAR With Parameters

The following interface-dependent action is taken:

- HP-IB (must currently be the active controller):

The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary addressing in the node’s minor number. See *ASSIGN* for further information.

If the device selector contains no addressing information (must be assigned to a “raw” node), then Device Clear (DCL) is sent.

If the device selector contains a primary address, then Unlisten (UNL), Listen Address(es)(LAD), and Selected Device Clear (SDC) are sent.

When two or more device selectors are specified, they must be at the same select code and each must contain an address.

- GPIO: An error is reported.

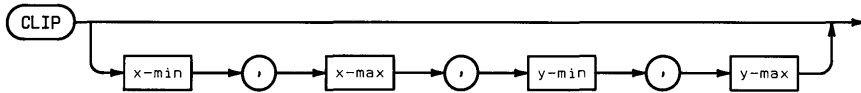
Related Keywords

CONTROL, GCLEAR, SEND

CLIP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The CLIP statement specifies plotting boundaries (the soft clip area) in the current scale units.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------|--|-------|
| x min | numeric expression, interpreted in current units | — |
| x max | numeric expression, interpreted in current units | — |
| y min | numeric expression, interpreted in current units | — |
| y max | numeric expression, interpreted in current units | — |

Examples

```
CLIP 0,50,0,10
```

```
CLIP 10*D, 10*D+50, 0,100
```

Description

The CLIP parameters, expressed in current units, define the boundaries of the plotting area. These boundaries replace any previously established plotting boundaries. No lines can be drawn beyond the plotting boundaries, but labels can be drawn outside the plotting area and within the graphics limits.

Executing CLIP without parameters provides for digitizing the plotting boundaries. Program execution halts until two diagonal corners of the boundaries are entered from the plotting device.

The plotting area defined by CLIP cannot be scaled by SCALE, MSCALE, or SHOW. When a scaling statement is executed after a CLIP statement, the new user units are mapped onto the LOCATE plotting area or onto the graphics limits.

Plotting boundaries set by CLIP are canceled when LIMIT, PLOTTER IS, or UNCLIP is executed. The SETGU statement deactivates the plotting boundaries; they are restored by executing SETUU.

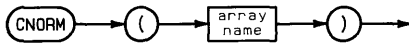
Related Keywords

LOCATE, UNCLIP

CNORM

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The CNORM function returns the *column norm* of an array. The column norm is computed by summing the absolute values of the elements in each column of the array and selecting the largest sum.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional array | any valid name |

Examples

```
SUM=CNORM(Array1)  
IF CNORM(A)hlpv.CDE CNORM(B) THEN Y=CNORM(A)
```

Related Keywords

ABSUM, CNORMCOL, FNORM, RNORM

CNORMCOL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF... THEN | Yes |

The CNORMCOL function returns the column number of the column having the largest sum of absolute values, using the array specified in the most recently executed CNORM function.



Examples

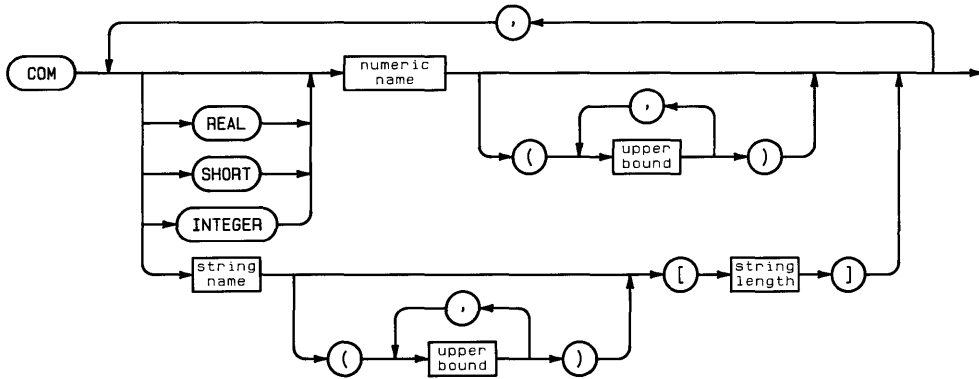
```
MAT B = MAT A(,CNORMCOL)
Array1(3,CNORMCOL)=0
```

Related Keywords

ABSUM, CNORM

Keyboard Executable No
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN No

The COM statement dimensions variables, reserves memory for them, and preserves variable assignments when chaining programs or calling subprograms.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------------|--|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| upper bound | integer constant | 1 through 65,530 |
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array | any valid name |
| string length | integer constant | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
100 COM Number,Array(3,10),String$,SArray$(12) [30]
300 COM REAL A,B(5),INTEGER I(50),d$
```

Description

COM declares variables to be held “in common” between programs and subprograms. When a variable is held in common, its precision (**REAL**, **SHORT**, or **INTEGER**), properties (array lower and upper bounds, string length), and assigned value are preserved.

COM has two purposes:

- To preserve variables during program chaining. When a program chains another program, all program variables are scratched except those held in common.
- To pass variables between a program and a subprogram.

Common variables are scratched by executing **RUN**, **INIT**, or **SCRATCH**.

When variables are held in common, matching COM statements must appear in the originating program and the (sub)program (accessed by **CHAIN** or **CALL**). Variables held in common must agree in type (numeric versus string, simple versus array), precision, option base, upper bound, and maximum string length. When precision is not specified, the variable is assumed to be **REAL**. All string variables must include an explicitly dimensioned string length.

When COM includes one or more precision declarations, all numeric variables following the declaration have that precision until another declaration is encountered.

A (sub)program can have any number of COM statements. However, the same variable cannot appear in more than one COM statement. The variable names need not match between (sub)programs. Variable assignments and properties are passed based on the order in which they appear in the (sub)program’s COM statement(s).

If an **OPTION BASE** statement is used in a program, it must appear before any COM statements. If one or more arrays are held in common during chaining, the option base of the two programs must agree. Likewise, the option base of a program and subprogram must agree if arrays are passed into the subprogram.

A COM statement cannot be included within a function definition. COM cannot be used to pass numeric and string constants to subprograms.

Related Keywords

DIM, **INTEGER**, **REAL**, **SHORT**

CONT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable No
In an IF . . . THEN No

The CONT command resumes execution of a program at the specified line after it has been paused.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line (default=next program line) | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

CONT 100

Description

Executing CONT without a line number causes program execution to resume at the line at which execution was paused. When a line number is specified, execution resumes at that line in the current program or subprogram. If the specified line number does not exist, execution resumes at the next higher-numbered line.

When a program is continued, variables retain their current values. If a program is edited while paused, it cannot be continued. Instead, it must be run.

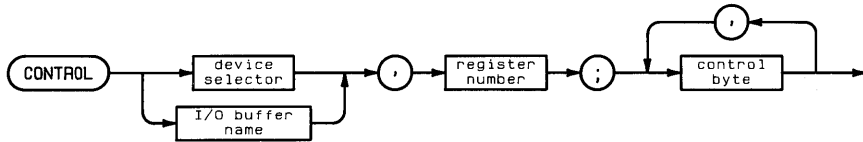
Related Keywords

INIT, PAUSE, RUN

CONTROL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The CONTROL statement writes one or more bytes of data to interface registers or I/O buffer registers.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|---------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| I/O buffer name | name of string variable declared an I/O buffer | — |
| register number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 23 |
| control byte | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 255 |

Examples

```
CONTROL 7,16; 3
CONTROL I,17; C(1),C(2),C(3)
```

Description

The register number specifies the first register to be used. If more than one control byte is listed, the values are written to consecutive registers. The binary equivalent of each control byte sets and clears bits in the register(s).

With HP-IB interfaces, the node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary addressing in the node’s minor number. See ASSIGN for further information.

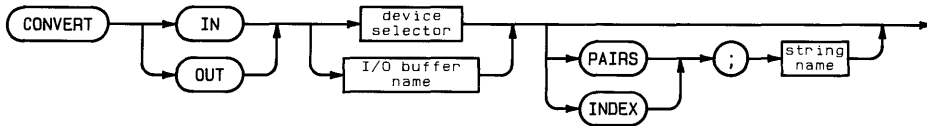
Related Keywords

ASSERT, STATUS

CONVERT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **CONVERT** statement enables or disables a specified character conversion table to be used during **ENTER** and **OUTPUT** operations on devices and I/O buffers.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| I/O buffer name | name of a string variable previously declared as an I/O buffer | — |
| string name | name of string variable containing the conversion table | — |

Examples

```
CONVERT IN 7 PAIRS; A$  
CONVERT OUT 3 INDEX; B$
```

```
CONVERT OUT 3  
CONVERT IN BuffName
```


Description

CONVERT converts incoming or outgoing data for the specified device or I/O buffer. The **OUT** option specifies that the conversion is to be used on all **OUTPUT** data on the specified I/O device or buffer; **IN** specifies that the conversion is to be used on all **ENTER** operations on that device or I/O buffer. The conversion is not performed on **SEND** operations.

Separate **IN** and **OUT** conversions can be specified for the same device or I/O buffer.

When the optional parameters are omitted, the previously specified conversion for that device or I/O buffer and direction is disabled.

CONVERT by PAIRS.

PAIRS specifies that the conversion string contains pairs of characters. Each pair consists of the original character and the character to which it is converted. Before each character is moved through the interface or buffer, it is compared to the original characters in the conversion string. If a match is found, it is replaced by the character following the original character.

CONVERT by INDEX

INDEX defines a conversion table based on the string variable. The decimal value of each incoming or outgoing character is interpreted as a character position value in the table. For example, an incoming # (decimal value 35) is converted to the 35th character in the string variable.

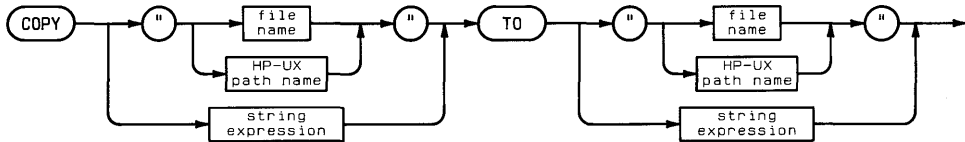
Related Keywords

ENTER, OUTPUT

COPY

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The COPY statement copies an individual file or all the files in a specified directory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|---|
| file name | literal | 14 characters maximum; slash, quotation marks, and leading colon not allowed; |
| HP-UX path name | literal (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to an HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
COPY "/discA/testI/trial5" TO "/discB/test1a/trial5"  
COPY "/MyDir" TO "/YourDir"
```

Description

Two copying operations are available. *File-to-file* copy copies the contents of a non-directory file to a new file. The new file can be in the same directory or in another directory. *Directory-to-directory* copy copies the contents of all the files in a directory to another directory. The syntax of both operations is the same; the type of copying that occurs depends on whether the file to be copied is a directory file.

Files secured with type 1 security cannot be copied. No error is generated, but the copying operation does not occur.

Attempting to copy a file to a disc with insufficient space for that file causes an error. If the error occurs during a directory-to-directory copy, all files copied before the error remain intact.

File-to-File Copy

When the file to be copied is a non-directory file, file-to-file copying occurs. File-to-file copying creates a new file with the specified name in the directory indicated by the path name of the new file. The contents of the source file is copied into the new file, and the directory in which the new file is located is updated. The source file and the new file can be in the same directory if they have unique file names. If a file name is used alone, that file must be located in, or will be created in, the current working directory.

Directory-to-Directory Copy

When the file to be copied is a directory file, all the files in the source directory are copied to the destination directory, and the destination directory is updated to add the new files. The destination directory must have been previously created. The names of the copied files are not changed. Subdirectories are not copied.

If a duplicate file name or other non-fatal copying error occurs during copying, that file is skipped and copying continues. An error message is displayed when copying is completed. If more than one non-fatal error occurs, only one message corresponding to the first error is displayed.

If a file name alone is used, it must be the name of a directory file in current working directory.

Related Keywords

SECURE, UNSECURE

COS

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The COS function returns the cosine of the angle argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

$Y = \text{COS}(\text{Angle})$
 $X = R * \text{COS}(\text{Theta})$

Description

The angle argument is interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode: RAD (radians), DEG (degrees), or GRAD (grads). The default mode is RAD.

Related Keywords

ACS, DEG, GRAD, RAD

COT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The COT function returns the cotangent of the angle numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
Y=COT(Theta)
DISP "Cotangent of angle is"; COT(A)
```

Description

The angle argument is interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode: RAD (radians), DEG (degrees), or GRAD (grads). The default mode is RAD.

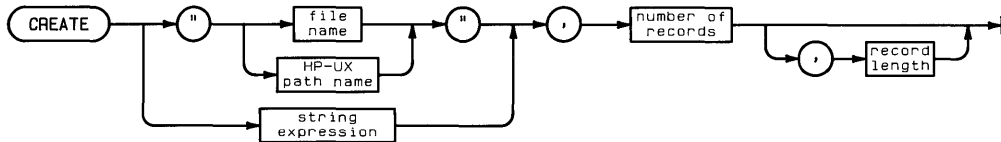
Related Keywords

ATN, ATN2, DEG, GRAD, RAD, TAN

CREATE

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The CREATE statement creates a BASIC/DATA file on a disc.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |
| number of records | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | limited by capacity of medium |
| record length | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=256) | ≥4 bytes |

Examples

```

CREATE "newfile", 20, 64
CREATE "/disc1/newfile", Recs, Size
  
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the file is created in the current working directory. When an HP-UX path name is used, the file is created in the specified directory. An error is returned if the file name already exists.

When the file is created, space is allocated to it on the disc, and a directory entry is made. The file is not opened when it is created.

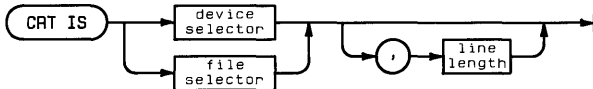
Regardless of the file size, the first 256 bytes of a BASIC/DATA file is set aside to store file management information, and is unavailable for data storage. Minimum file size is one block 1024 bytes. Files are created in integer number of blocks, and additional logical records of the specified record size are added, if necessary, to fill the file. For example, `CREATE "file", 50,30` creates a 2-block file containing 59, 30-byte records and 256 bytes of overhead.

Related Keywords

ASSIGN#

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The CRT IS statement selects the destination device for the DISP statement and for system responses.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|---------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |
| file selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 11 through 20 |
| line length | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=80) | 1 through 220 |

Examples

CRT IS 1
CRT IS Printer701

Description

Output from DISP (USING), LIST, and CAT is sent to the CRT IS device or file.

The line length specifies the maximum number of characters sent to the CRT IS device before an end-of-line (EOL) sequence is sent. EOL character(s) are not counted as part of the line length. When a DISP USING format string specifies output that exceeds the CRT IS line length, the line is broken at the line length and the format is continued at the beginning of the next line.

Related Keywords

ASSIGN, DISP, IMAGE

CSC

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **CSC** function returns the cosecant of the angle argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
Cosecant=CSC(Angle)  
DISP CSC(Theta)
```

Description

The angle argument is interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode - **RAD** (radians), **DEG** (degrees), or **GRAD** (grads). The default mode is **RAD**.

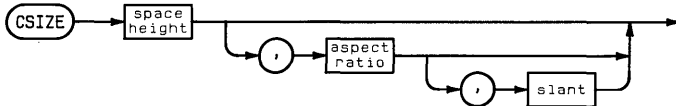
Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD, RAD

CSIZE

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The CSIZE statement specifies the height, aspect ratio (width/height), and slant of LABEL characters.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--|
| space height | numeric expression, interpreted in graphics units (default=3 GUs) | — |
| aspect ratio | numeric expression (default=0.6 for pen plotters; machine dependent for the display) | — |
| character slant | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode (default=0) | $-\pi/2 < \text{slant} < \pi/2$ (RAD mode) $-90 < \text{slant} < +90$ (DEG mode) $-100 < \text{slant} < +100$ (GRAD mode) |

Examples

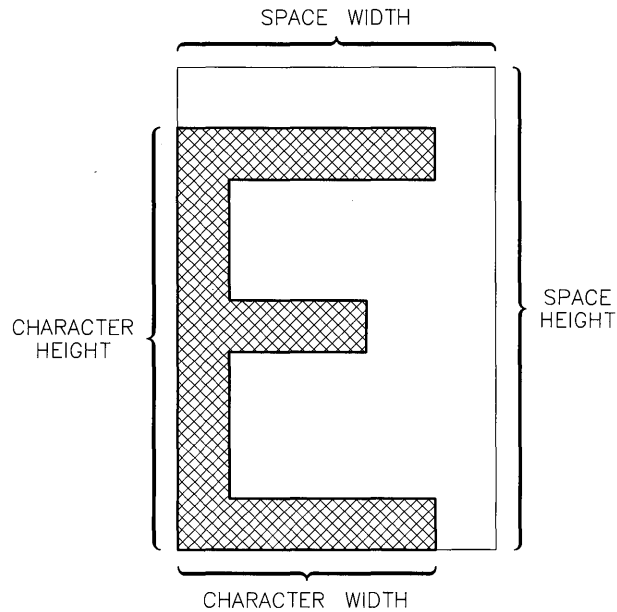
CSIZE 12
 CSIZE 12, .8
 CSIZE Height, Shape, Slant

Description

The space height parameter is the height, in graphics units, of the character space (see glossary). The aspect ratio is the ratio of the width of the character to its height.

The slant parameter specifies, in the current trigonometric mode, the clockwise slant of the character from vertical. If the slant parameter is out of range, the character slant defaults to 0.

The following diagram and table describes how pen plotters position characters in the character space.¹



¹ Character dimensions on the graphics display are device-dependent.

CSIZE Character Dimensions

| Character Dimension | Description |
|---------------------|---|
| Space height | CSIZE space height parameter |
| Symbol height | $\frac{1}{2}$ the space height |
| Space width | $\frac{3}{4}$ aspect ratio parameter X height parameter |
| Symbol width | $\frac{2}{3}$ space width |

Labels can be reflected by changing the sign of the CSIZE parameters:

Reflecting Labels

| Sign of Height | Sign of Aspect Ratio | Effect |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| positive | positive | unreflected |
| positive | negative | reflected across y-axis |
| negative | negative | reflected across x-axis |
| negative | positive | reflected across origin |

Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD, RAD

CURSCOL

| | |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **CURSCOL** function returns the current column location of the cursor in alpha display memory.



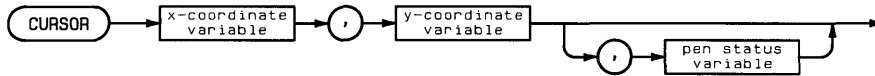
Related Keywords

CURSROW

CURSOR

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF . . . THEN Yes

The **CURSOR** statement reads the current location of the graphics input device and places those values in the specified numeric variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|--|----------------|
| x-coordinate variable | simple numeric variable or array element | any valid name |
| y-coordinate variable | simple numeric variable or array element | any valid name |
| pen status variable | simple numeric variable or array element | any valid name |

Examples

CURSOR Xposition, Yposition
CURSOR X, Y, PenDown
CURSOR Cx(I), Cy(I)

Description

There are two general cases of graphics input and output devices. They can be *separate* devices (such as a display and a mouse), or they can be the same (such as with plotters, in which the pen is both output and input locator). See `ASSIGN` and `PLOTTER IS` for details of selecting these devices. With *separate* input and output devices, the `CURSOR` statement reads the location of the input device. When input and output devices are the *same* physical device, `CURSOR` also reads the location of the output device (since it is the same as the input device).

The input device's x and y coordinates are interpreted according to the current units.

Normally, a pen status of 1 means pen down and 0 means pen up. However, on this system the pen status variable does **not** necessarily contain the current up/down pen status. It is set by the last *plotting* operation. For instance:

```
DRAW 10,10  
CURSOR X,Y,PenStatus
```

Sets the variable `PenStatus` to 1, regardless of the current up/down status of the pen.

Related Keywords

DIGITIZE, WHERE

CURSROW

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The `CURSROW` function returns the current row location of the cursor in alpha display memory.



Description

The row number returned by `CURSROW` corresponds to the cursor position on the screen when row 1 of display memory is at the top of the screen.

Related Keywords

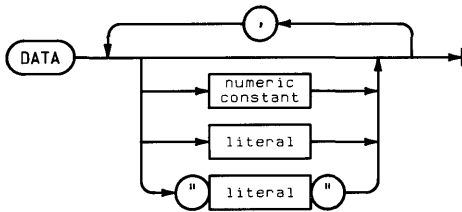
`CURSCOL`

Notes

DATA

Keyboard Executable No
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN No

The DATA statement contains numeric and/or string data which is assigned to program variables listed in one or more READ statements. (For information about using DATA as a secondary keyword, see SEND.)



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|-------|
| numeric constant | numeric quantity consisting of digits 0 through 9 with optional decimal point, sign, and exponential notation | — |
| literal | string constant consisting of characters entered from the keyboard | — |

Examples

DATA 2, 4, 6, 8

DATA ABC,2.5E20,DEF,3," leadingspaces"

Description

A program can contain any number of **DATA** statements. The statement is declaratory, and extra data is ignored if there are no corresponding **READ** variables. A *data pointer* is used to access data items. A (sub)program's **READ** operations start with the first item in the lowest numbered **DATA** statement. When all data items in a **DATA** statement have been read, the pointer moves to the next-higher numbered **DATA** statement.

When a **READ** statement accesses a **DATA** statement for a numeric variable assignment, the data constant must be a numeric value. When the **READ** statement is assigning a value to a string variable, the **DATA** statement can contain a numeric value, an unquoted string, or a quoted string; a numeric value is interpreted as a literal containing digits. Quotation marks are regarded as string delimiters, and are not part of the string. Strings delimited by quotation marks, however, can contain commas and leading and trailing blanks.

Quotation marks around literals are optional and are not part of the assignment; the quotation marks make it possible to include leading and trailing blanks in literals.

If the keyword is not followed by a numeric constant or literal, the statement is interpreted as **DATA ""** (null string).

Subprograms maintain their own data pointers. When a subprogram is being executed, **READ** statements access **DATA** statements within the subprogram, starting with the lowest numbered **DATA** statement in the subprogram. When program execution returns to the calling program, **READ** operations resume where they left off when the subprogram was called.

DATA statements cannot be included in multistatement lines. Comments (using the comment delimiter !) cannot be added to **DATA** statements.

Related Keywords

INPUT, READ, RESTORE

DATE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The DATE function returns the current value of the system clock date counter.



Description

The date counter is in the form YYDDD where YY is the year and DDD is the day number in the range 1 through 366.

Related Keywords

DATE\$, TIME

DATE\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The DATE\$ function returns the current value of the system clock date counter in YY/MM/DD format.



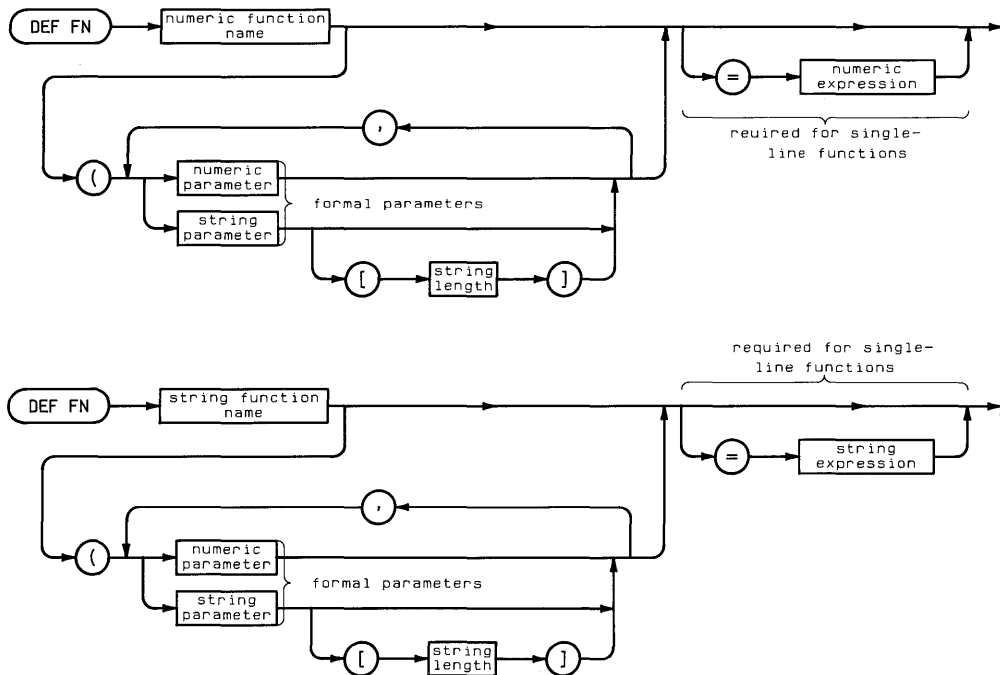
Related Keywords

DATE, TIME

DEF FN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The DEFFN statement defines a single-line user-defined function and its formal parameters. For multiple-line functions, DEF FN defines the beginning of the function and the formal parameters used within the function.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| numeric function name | name of the user-defined function | any valid numeric variable name |
| numeric parameter | numeric variable name | subscripted variables not allowed |
| string parameter | string variable name | subscripted variables not allowed |
| numeric expression | (see glossary) | — |
| string function name | name of the user-defined function | any valid string variable name |
| string expression | (see glossary) | — |
| string length | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
DEF FNCube(Number)=Number^3
DISP FNCube(Side)
```

```
DEF FNSlash$(String${30})
  FOR I=1 TO 30
    IF String${I,I}="/" THEN String${I,I}=";"
  NEXT I
  FNSlash$=String${1,18}
FN END
PRINT# 1,A(1); FNSlash$(B$)
```

Description

A maximum of 30 parameters can be passed into the function. The formal parameters listed in the `DEF FN` statement must match the actual parameters listed in the calling `FN` statement in type—numeric versus string. The actual parameters are passed into the user-defined function by value; any changes made to parameters within the user-defined function are local to the function and not available to the rest of the program. However, all program variables (except those whose names are the same as formal function parameters) are available in the user-defined function.

Function definitions are local to the program or subprogram in which they are located.

If a string parameter passed into a function is longer than 18 characters, it must be dimensioned within the function `DEF FN` statement. When a string user-defined function passes a string expression back to the program, that expression can be no longer than 18 characters.

User-defined functions must not be recursive. `DEF FN` cannot be included in a multistatement line.

Single-Line Functions

`DEF FN` is a declaratory statement; it is ignored if the function is not referenced. Single-line functions must include the function assignment (`= numeric expression` or `= string expression`).

Disable any `ON ERROR` statements before executing a single-line function. Otherwise, an error may result in a premature exit from the function.

Multiple-Line Functions.

The `DEF FN` statement defines the beginning of the function; `FN END` defines the end. An `FN . . . = statement` within the function defines the value passed back to the program. Branching statements should not be used to exit the function.

The block of statements defining the function can be placed anywhere within the program, except that a function cannot be nested within another function.

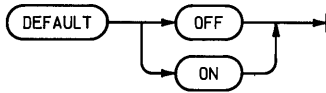
Related Keywords

`FN`

DEFAULT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The DEFAULT statement specifies how warnings are handled by the system.



Examples

```
DEFAULT OFF
IF Angle=0 THEN DEFAULT ON
```

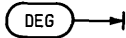
Description

With default on, warnings generate a message and, if relevant, a default value. With default off, warnings generate a message and halt execution. The power-on condition is default on.

DEG

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The DEG statement sets degrees as the unit in which angles are measured.



Description

When DEG is executed, all angle parameters in statements and functions are interpreted as degrees. (There are 360 degrees in a circle.) All functions returning an angle return a value in degrees.

The angle mode of a program is global. When a subprogram is called, the current angle mode is carried into the subprogram. If a subprogram changes the angle mode and then returns to the main program, the new mode is carried back to the main program.

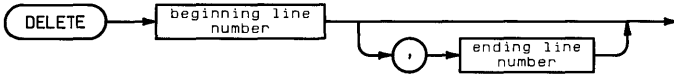
Related Keywords

GRAD, RAD

DELETE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The **DELETE** command deletes program lines from the current program or subprogram in memory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|---|------------------|
| beginning line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| ending line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

```
DELETE 30  
DELETE 30,90
```

Description

Specifying only the beginning line number deletes that line. Specifying both parameters deletes all lines within that range.

When both a main program and one or more subprograms are present in memory, **DELETE** acts upon the program specified by the previous **FINDPROG** statement.

Related Keywords

FINDPROG, **SCRATCH**, **SCRATCHSUB**

DET

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The DET function returns the determinant of the specified matrix.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|----------------|
| matrix name | name of a two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |

Examples

```
Denominator=DET(Matrix1)  
IF DET(A)=0 THEN 300
```

Description

The specified matrix must be a square matrix. (The number of rows must equal the number of columns.)

Related Keywords

DETL

DETL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The DETL function returns the determinant of the last matrix inverted in a MAT...INV statement, or the determinant of the coefficient matrix (first argument in parentheses) in the most recently executed MAT...SYS statement.



Examples

```
A=DETL  
IF DETL=0 THEN 400
```

Description

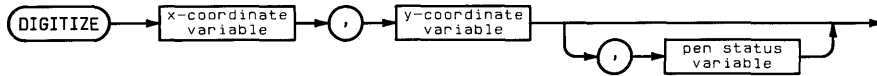
The matrix whose determinant is returned must have been previously specified in a MAT . . . INV statement or a MAT . . . SYS. The most recently executed statement is used.

Related Keywords

DET, MAT . . . INV, MAT . . . SYS

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The DIGITIZE statement reads the graphics input locator's position, and assigns its x and y coordinate values to the specified variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|--|----------------|
| x-coordinate variable | simple numeric variable or array element | any valid name |
| y-coordinate variable | simple numeric variable or array element | any valid name |
| pen status variable | simple numeric variable or array element | any valid name |

Examples

```

DIGITIZE Xposition, Yposition, PenStatus
DIGITIZE x(I), y(I)
  
```

Description

The current *graphics input device* is determined by the PLOTTER IS statement.

- If this device has only “output” capabilities (see the table in ASSIGN), then DIGITIZE cannot be executed.
- If the input and output devices are one in the same (such as with most plotters), the input device’s locator is the physical pen of the current plotting device.
- If you have specified separate graphics input and output devices (such as a display and a mouse), DIGITIZE reads the input device’s locator position.

The pen x- and y-coordinates are interpreted according to the current units.

The *pen status* variable is assigned the value 0 if the pen is up, and 1 if the pen is down. (Note that this parameter is **not** the current status of the input locator's pen. Instead, it is set by the last *plotting* statement. For instance, *MOVE* sets it to 0, and *DRAW* sets it to 1.)

When *DIGITIZE* is executed, program execution is suspended until the pen coordinates (and optional status) are entered from the input device. Digitizing can be aborted by pausing the program, or by resetting the console or terminal. To reset an HP 262x terminal, press **CTRL** **** (or whatever key sequence is currently defined to generate the "SIGQUIT" signal). To pause a program, press **CTRL** **C** (or whatever key sequence is currently defined to generate the "interrupt" signal.)

Note that it is occasionally possible to digitize a point outside the current *LIMIT* boundaries.

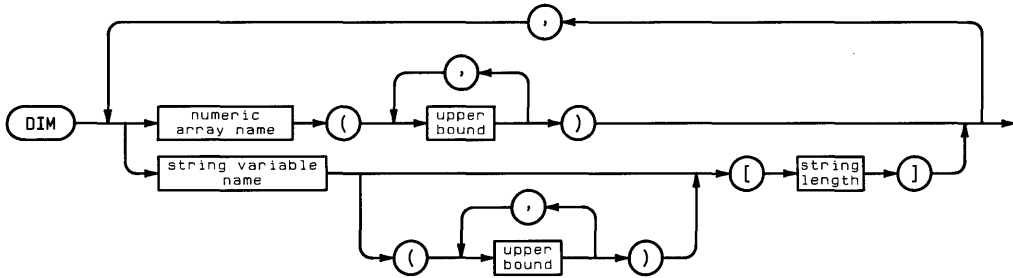
Related Keywords

CURSOR, WHERE

DIM

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN No

The DIM statement allocates memory for REAL numeric arrays, string variables, and string arrays.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------------------|---|------------------|
| numeric array name | name of a numeric array | any valid name |
| upper bound | integer constant | 1 through 65,530 |
| string variable name | name of a simple or array string variable | any valid name |
| string length | integer constant | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
DIM A(300), B(2,50), C$[20]  
DIM D$(25)[30], E$(3,3)[3]
```


Description

One- and two-dimensional arrays are allowed.

If an array is to be explicitly dimensioned, the dimensioning statement must be executed before any of the elements of the array are referenced. If an element is referenced before the array is explicitly dimensioned, an array is implicitly dimensioned with upper bound(s) equal to 10. If a string variable is referenced before the string length is dimensioned, the string length is implicitly dimensioned to 18.

A variable can be dimensioned only once within a program; an attempt to dimension a variable that has already been explicitly or implicitly dimensioned causes an error.

A program can contain any number of DIM statements. If the program contains an **OPTION BASE** statement, dimensioning statements must occur after the option base has been declared.

The dimension(s) of a variable are global, known to the program and any subprograms to which the variable is passed.

Related Keywords

INTEGER, REAL, SHORT

DIRECTORY

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **DIRECTORY** statement displays a directory of the main program and the subprograms currently in system memory.



Description

The directory lists the subprograms in their order in system memory, along with the deallocated size (the size before **RUN** or **INIT**), the number of lines, and the allocation status of each subprogram. An arrow (>) indicates the current (sub)program. The subprogram names listed in the directory are the names with which the subprograms were initially created (using **FINDPROG**) and stored.

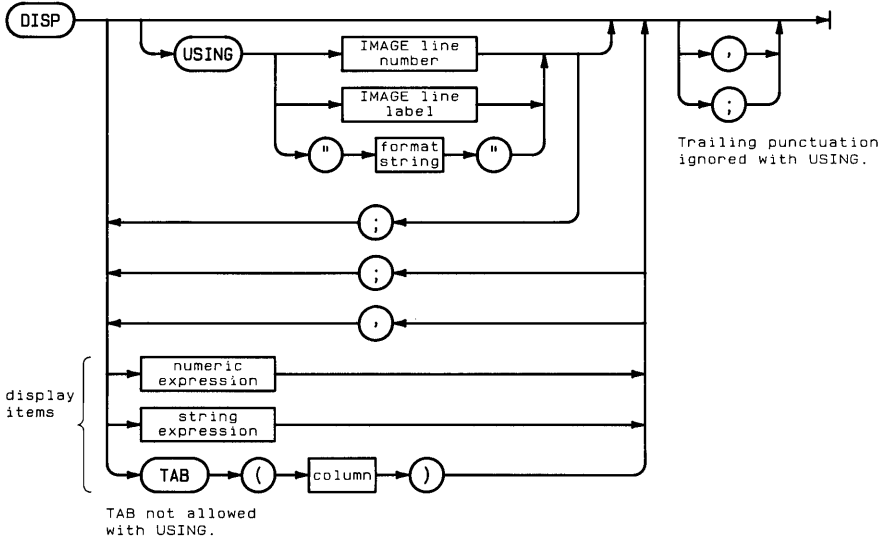
Related Keywords

FINDPROG, **SCRATCHSUB**

DISP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The DISP statement outputs the display items to the current display (selected by CRT IS).



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|---|
| IMAGE line number | integer constant identifying an IMAGE statement | 1 through 65,535 |
| IMAGE line label | name identifying an IMAGE statement | any valid line name |
| format string | string expression containing one or more field specifiers (see IMAGE statement for syntax) | — |
| column | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | -99,999 through 99,999; negative numbers are interpreted as 1 |
| numeric expression | — | — |
| string expression | — | — |

Examples

```
DISP Number; Letter$  
DISP TAB(10);A$, "Results=";Result  
DISP USING "DC3D.5D,4X,7A";A, "dollars"  
DISP USING 100; A,B$,C
```

Description

The keyword **USING** provides for specifying the format of output. When **DISP** is executed without **USING**, a standard format is used.

Simple DISP (Without USING)

Simple **DISP** uses standard number format (see glossary) for numeric items, and displays numeric and string items in either of two field widths:

- When display items are separated by semicolons, they are displayed in *narrow* format with a leading blank or minus sign. Strings are output with no leading or trailing blanks.
- When display items are separated by commas, they are displayed in *wide* format, left-justified in 21-column fields. Items longer than 21 characters occupy more than one field.

When the **TAB** function is included as a display item, the cursor moves to the designated column. Negative column numbers are treated as **TAB(1)**. Column numbers greater than the line length are reduced **MOD** (line length). When **TAB** is used to control format, display items should be separated by semicolons; using commas causes output to be displayed in wide format.

When the list of display items is exhausted, an end-of-Line (EOL) sequence, ordinarily carriage return/line feed, is sent to the display. The EOL can be suppressed by including a comma or semicolon after the last display item.

Control Characters

Control characters can be included as display items by specifying their ASCII code as argument in the **CHR\$** function or by using the metacharacter `~` followed by the character decimal code.

Formatted Output

DISP USING uses a format string contained in the statement itself or in a referenced **IMAGE** statement to format the output. (Refer to **IMAGE** for the syntax of the format string.) The format string, consisting of one or more field specifiers separated by delimiters (comma or slash), is used from left to right. Display items are paired with their corresponding field specifiers. Certain field specifiers do not use a display item (for example, **X**).

If the format string is exhausted before all the display items have been processed, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored. If a field is larger than the numeric item, the number is right-justified in the field. A warning is issued if the number is larger than the field. (A minus sign requires a digit position if M or S is not included in the field specifier.) Numbers are rounded to the number of decimal places indicated by the field specifier. Standard number format can be chosen by using the image specifier K.

The TAB function cannot be used with DISP USING.

When the list of display items is exhausted, an end-of-line (EOL) sequence, ordinarily carriage return/line feed, is sent to the display. The EOL can be suppressed by placing the image specifier # at the beginning of the format string. Unlike with simple DISP, a terminating semicolon or comma is ignored and does not suppress the EOL sequence.

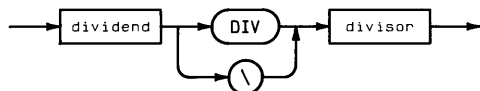
Related Keywords

IMAGE, OUTPUT, PRINT

DIV

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The DIV operator returns the integer portion of the quotient resulting from a division operation. The DIV operation can also be indicated by the symbol \.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------|--------------------|-------|
| dividend | numeric expression | — |
| divisor | numeric expression | ≠0 |

Examples

```
C=A DIV B  
DISP (A+B)\C
```

Description

A DIV B is equivalent to the expression $IP(A/B)$.

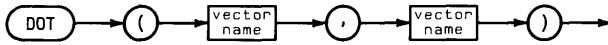
Related Keywords

MOD

DOT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The DOT function returns the dot product of two vectors.



Examples

```
DISP DOT(A,B)
IF DOT(C,D)=0 THEN 600
```

Description

The dot product (scalar product) of two vectors is computed by summing the products of the corresponding elements of the two vectors. The two vectors must be the same size.

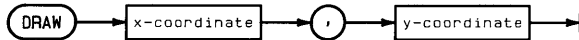
Related Keywords

MAT

DRAW

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **DRAW** statement lowers the pen and moves it to the specified x-, y-coordinate position. The pen remains down until it is raised by another statement.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--|-------|
| x-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| y-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |

Examples

```
DRAW 10,10  
DRAW XPosition, XPosition*5
```

Description

DRAW uses the current units mode (UU's or GU's) and line type. In UU's mode, lines cannot be drawn outside the plotting boundaries. In GU's mode, the plotting boundaries become equivalent to the graphics limits; therefore, lines can be drawn anywhere within the graphics limits.

In both UU's mode and GU's mode, the logical pen can be moved outside the plotting area. However, the physical pen cannot be moved beyond the plotting boundaries.

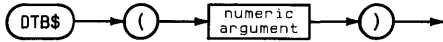
Related Keywords

IDRAW, LINETYPE, MOVE, PLOT

DTB\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **DTB\$** (*decimal-to-binary*) function returns a string containing the base 2 representation of the decimal argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, truncated to an integer | — |

Examples

```
A$=DTB$(45)  
DISP DTB$(X(1)/X(2))
```

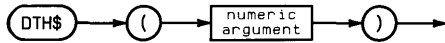
Related Keywords

BTD, DTH\$, DTO\$, HTD, OTD

DTH\$

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **DTH\$** (*decimal-to-hexadecimal*) function returns a string containing the base 16 representation of the decimal argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, truncated to an integer | — |

Examples

```
DISP DTH$(5700)
IF DTH$(I(5))="A4" THEN J=12
```

Related Keywords

ETD, DTB\$, DTO\$, HTD, OTD

DTO\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **DTO\$** (*decimal-to-octal*) function returns a string containing the base 8 representation of the decimal argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|---|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression, truncated to an integer | — |

Examples

```
Y$=DTO$(A(1))  
DISP DTO$(512+X)
```

Related Keywords

BTD, DTB\$, DTH\$, HTD, OTD

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The *DTR* (*degrees-to-radians*) function interprets the numeric argument as an angle measured in degrees, and returns the value of the angle in radians.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
Radians=DTR(Degrees)  
DISP DTR(90)
```

Description

The argument and value returned by *DTR* are independent of the current trigonometric mode.

Related Keywords

RTD

DUMP ALPHA

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The DUMP ALPHA statement copies the contents of the current alpha (CRT IS) display to the current PRINTER IS device. (This statement only works with “line-oriented” terminals¹.)



Description

It is best not to dump the alpha display *directly* to a printer. Instead, you should first direct the dump to an HP-UX file, and then spool this file to a printer. Here is an example:

```
ASSIGN 11 TO "DumpA_File"
```

```
PRINTER IS 11
```

```
DUMP ALPHA
```

```
PRINTER IS 1
```

```
ASSIGN 11 TO "*"
```

```
SHELL
```

```
$ lpf DumpA_File
```

```
CTRL D
```

Note that, depending on system load, there may be duplicate, partial, or missing lines in the alpha dump.

Related Keywords

DUMP GRAPHICS

¹ A “line-oriented” terminal is one that can send and receive characters one line at a time. If you can type in a BASIC statement or command, execute it, move the cursor back onto the same line, and *successfully* re-execute it, you have a “line-oriented” terminal.

DUMP GRAPHICS

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

This statement copies the contents of the current graphics (PLOTTER IS) display¹ to the current PRINTER IS device².



Description

The contents of the graphics display are copied dot-by-dot to the printer.

Related Keywords

DUMP ALPHA

¹ The graphics display must support *block read/write* operations. See **ASSIGN** for a list of devices that support this type of operation.

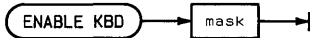
² The printer must conform to the HP Raster Interface standard. See your printer's documentation to determine whether it conforms to this standard.

Notes

ENABLE KBD

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF . . . THEN Yes

The **ENABLE KBD** statement enables and disables various keyboard keys during program execution and/or keyboard input (INPUT and LINPUT).



| Item | Description | Range |
|------|---|---------------|
| mask | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 255 |

Examples

```
ENABLE KBD 16  
ENABLE KBD KeyMask
```

Description

The binary equivalent of the decimal mask is used to activate (enable) and deactivate (disable) various portions of the keyboard. The keyboard is divided into four areas:

- The **Reset**¹ key.
- The **PAUSE**² key.
- The special function keys.
- All other keys.

Keys can be activated and deactivated separately for program execution (while the program is running) and keyboard input (while the program is halted at an INPUT or LINPUT statement). Setting a bit (1) activates the key(s); clearing a bit (0) deactivates the key(s).

¹ The **RESET** key is the key sequence currently defined to generate the quit ("SIGQUIT") signal. The default key sequence is **CTRL | **.

² The **PAUSE** key is the key sequence currently defined to generate the interrupt ("SIGINT") signal. The default key sequence is **CTRL | C**.

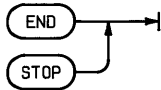
| Bit Number | Decimal Value | Operating Mode | Key(s) Affected |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|---|
| 7 | 128 | program execution | RESET |
| 6 | 64 | program execution | PAUSE |
| 5 | 32 | program execution | special function keys |
| 4 | 16 | program execution | all other keys |
| 3 | 8 | keyboard input | RESET |
| 2 | 4 | keyboard input | PAUSE |
| 1 | 2 | keyboard input | special function keys and all other keys |
| 0 | 1 | keyboard input | special function keys and all other keys |

Related Keywords

INPUT, LINPUT, ON KEY#, ON KYBD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **END** or **STOP** statement is the last statement executed by a program.



Description

END and **STOP** are interchangeable. The statements are optional and can appear anywhere in the program. More than one **END** and/or **STOP** statements are allowed.

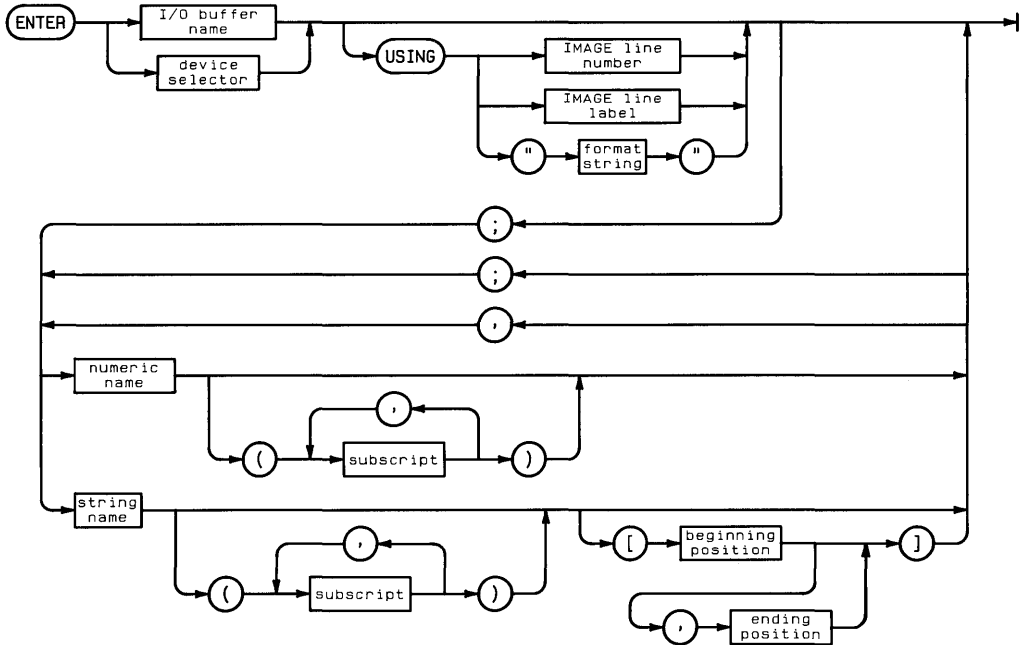
Related Keywords

STOP

ENTER

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ENTER statement inputs bytes of data from a device or buffer and assigns the data to the specified numeric and/or string variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|----------------------|
| device selector | numeric exprssion, rounded to an integer (see glossary) | — |
| I/O buffer name | name of a string variable declared as an I/O buffer | — |
| IMAGE line label | name identifying an IMAGE statement | any valid line label |
| IMAGE line number | integer constant identifying an IMAGE statement | 1 through 65,535 |
| format string | string expression consisting of one or more field specifiers (see page 2-126 for syntax) | — |
| numeric name | name of a numeric variable | any valid name |
| string name | name of a string variable | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
ENTER 701 USING Enterformat; A, B$, C
ENTER 5; Var1, Var2, Var3
```

Description

The bytes of data entered from the specified device are used to build a number or string, which is then assigned to the specified variable. If a **CONVERT** operation is enabled, the conversion occurs immediately after the character is taken from the interface or buffer.

Simple ENTER (without USING)

Numeric and string variables are handled differently:

- Numeric values are entered using *free field* format. The ASCII characters representing the number are read into the variable starting with the first numeric character. Numeric characters include the digits 0 through 9, and the characters +, -, ., and E when they occur as part of a numeric entry in a meaningful way. Leading non-numeric characters are ignored. Once the computer is entering a number, a non-numeric value terminates that number. All spaces (leading, embedded, and trailing) are ignored. Entry of characters stops when a line-feed character is read.

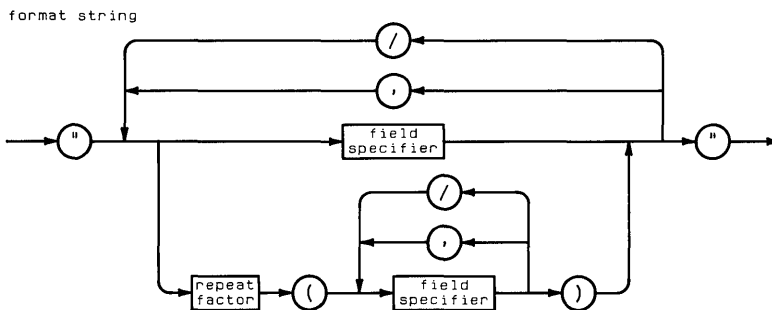
- String data is entered by placing the ASCII characters into the specified string variable using *free field* format. Characters are placed in a string variable until:
 - The string is full.
 - A line feed character is encountered.
 - A carriage return/line feed sequence is encountered.

If a carriage return is not followed by a line feed, the carriage return is entered into the string. Entry of characters stops when the last enter item is completed.

Formatted ENTER

The `ENTER USING` statement uses a format string contained in the statement itself, or in a referenced `IMAGE` statement, to format the input. The format string, consisting of one or more

field specifiers separated by delimiters (, or /), is used from left to right. Input items are paired with their corresponding field specifiers, which consist of one or more image specifiers. If the format string is exhausted before all the output items have been processed, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored.



field specifier

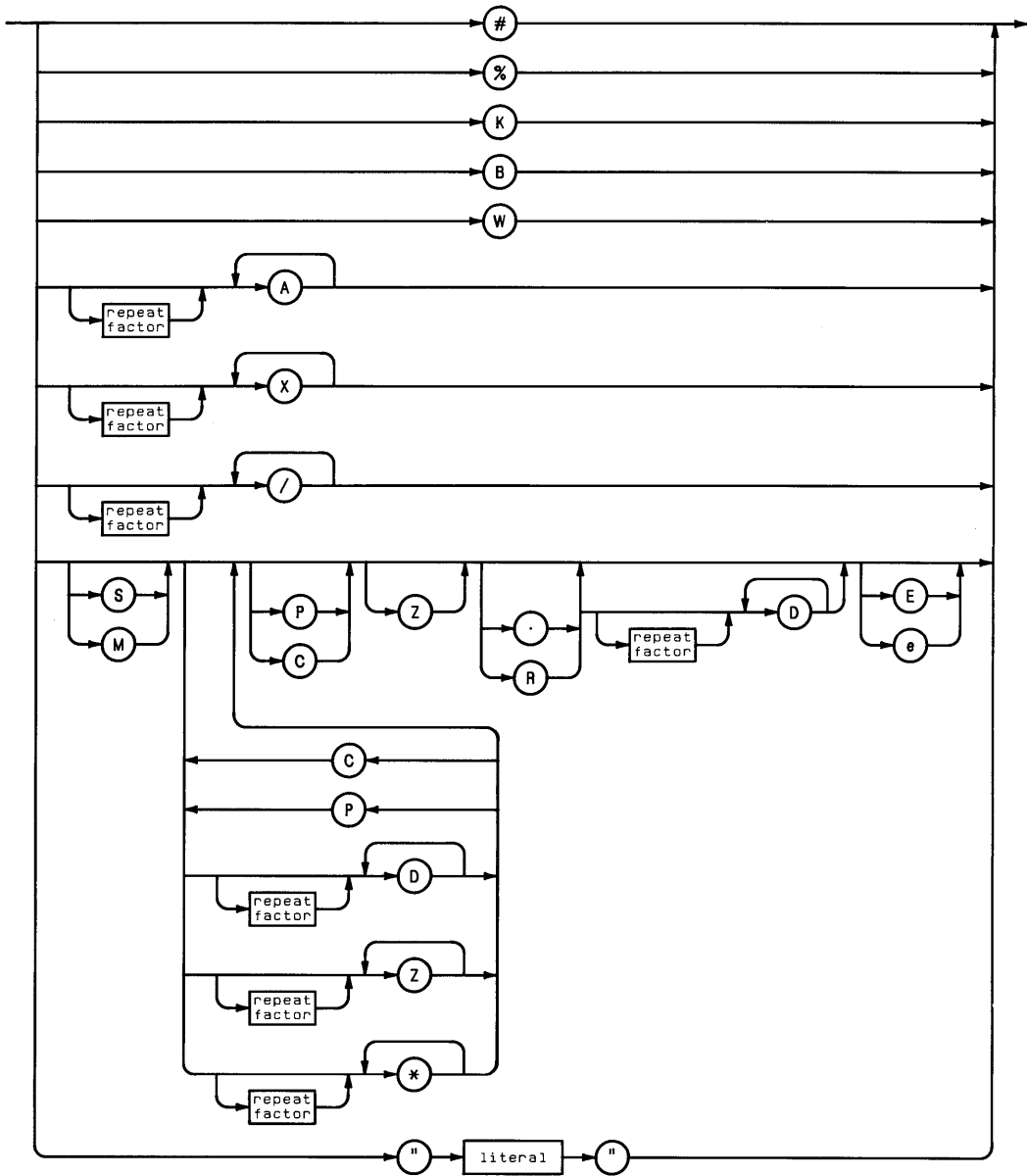


Table of Image Specifiers and Delimiters for ENTER

| Image Specifier | Meaning |
|------------------|---|
| X | Directs the computer to skip one character. |
| D, Z, *, ., S, M | All six specifiers accept one character to be used in building a numeric variable. The characters may be the digits 0 through 9, the decimal point, and signs. The six different specifiers are provided for documentation purposes and for compatibility between OUTPUT and ENTER format strings. |
| K | The number of string in input in free field format (see glossary). |
| A | Inputs one string character. |
| B | Inputs one byte of binary data and enters its decimal equivalent into a numeric. |
| W | Inputs two bytes of binary data to be used in building a 16-bit, 2's complement binary word. The first byte entered is the most significant. The decimal equivalent of the resulting word is entered into a numeric variable. |
| D | Accepts one character for building a numeric variable, and provides for ignoring all commas while the number is being entered. (Without this specifier, a comma ends the entry of the number.) |
| E | Inputs an exponent consisting of the letter E, a sign, and three digits. |
| e | Inputs an exponent consisting of the letter E, a sign, and two digits. |
| / | Causes computer to skip to the beginning of a new field. The new field is indicated by a line feed. |
| # | When used as a statement terminator specifier, eliminates the requirement for a line feed to terminate the ENTER statement; the ENTER statement terminates as soon as the last variable in the statement has been satisfied. When uses as a field terminator specifier, eliminates the line feed as a terminating condition during free-field entry; line feeds entered are placed in the string. |
| % | When used as a statement terminator specifier, allows EOI or line feed as termination condition. When used as a field terminator spcifier, allows EOI as an additional terminating condition. |

Related Keywords

CONVERT, IMAGE, IOBUFFER

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The EPS function returns machine epsilon, the smallest positive REAL number.



Examples

DISP EPS

Related Keywords

INF

ERRL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **ERRL** function returns the line number of the program line generating the most recent error or warning.



Examples

```
PRINT ERL  
IF ERL=200 THEN GOSUB 700
```

Related Keywords

ERRM, ERN, ERROM, ERRSC, ON ERROR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ERRM statement displays the error message generated by the most recent error.



Description

If no error has occurred since power on, reset, SCRATCH, LOAD, or GET, the system displays Error 0 : 0.

ERRM is useful as part of an ON ERROR recovery routine, where no error message would otherwise be displayed.

Related Keywords

ERRL, ERRN, ERROM, ERRSC, ON ERROR

ERRN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **ERRN** function returns the error number of the most recent error or warning.



Examples

```
DISP ERRN  
IF ERRN=49 THEN GOSUB Assignment
```

Description

If no error has occurred, **ERRN** returns 0.

Related Keywords

ERRL, **ERRM**, **ERROM**, **ERRSC**, **ON ERROR**

ERROM

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **ERROM** function returns a number indicating which BASIC module returned the most recent error or warning.



Examples

```
DISP ERROM  
IF ERRN=113 AND ERROM=232 THEN 400
```

Description

ERROM is used to distinguish between two or more errors having the same error number but originating from different BASIC modules. (See the “Error Messages” section for examples).

Related Keywords

ERRL, ERM, ERN, ERRSC, ON ERROR

ERRSC

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **ERRSC** function returns the interface select code of the interface that generated the most recent interface-dependent error.



Examples

```
IF ERRSC=7 THEN STATUS 7,1;C  
DISP ERRSC
```

Description

When an interface error occurs, **ERRSC** returns the interface select code of that interface until another I/O error occurs at another interface. If no interface error has occurred, **ERRSC** returns 0.

Related Keywords

ERRL, ERRM, ER RN, ERROM, ON ERROR

EXOR

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The EXOR operator returns a 1 or 0 based on the logical exclusive-OR of the operands.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------|--------------------|-------|
| operand | numeric expression | — |

Examples

T=A(1) EXOR A(2)
IF You EXOR Cize THEN YouHealthy

Description

A non-zero operand (positive or negative) is interpreted as a logical 1. An operand of zero is interpreted as a logical 0. The following table describes the results of performing an EXOR operation.

Exclusive OR

| A | B | A EXOR B |
|---|---|----------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |

Related Keywords

AND, NOT, OR

EXP

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **EXP** numeric function returns the natural (base e) antilogarithm by raising e to the power of the argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
K=A*EXP(-E/RT)  
PRINT A;EXP(A)
```

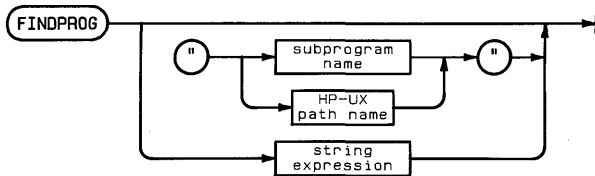
Related Keywords

LOG

FINDPROG

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN No

The FINDPROG statement locates (and retrieves, if necessary) the specified subprogram in system memory or mass storage. When FINDPROG is executed from the keyboard, a system pointer is positioned at the subprogram so that it can be listed and edited.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| subprogram name | literal | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
FINDPROG  
FINDPROG "SubSort"  
FINDPROG FileName$&"2"
```


Description

When `FINDPROG` is executed without a parameter, the pointer is moved to the main program.

`FINDPROG` first searches computer memory for the specified subprogram. If the subprogram is not found, the current working directory or specified mass storage location is searched. The HP-UX path name must be used if the subprogram is not located in computer memory or in the current working directory. If the subprogram is found in mass storage, it is brought into system memory.

If the specified subprogram is not found in system memory or in mass storage, the pointer is moved to a new block of system memory. The system displays `NEW PROGRAM`, indicating that a new subprogram can now be entered from the keyboard without overwriting other programs currently in memory. The `FINDPROG` name must be used when the new subprogram is stored (when the `SUB` statement creates the subprogram in memory.)

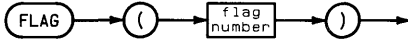
Related Keywords

`CALL`, `DIRECTORY`, `STORE`

FLAG

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The FLAG function returns the status of the specified flag—set (1) or clear (0).



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|----------------|
| flag number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | +1 through +64 |

Examples

```
IF FLAG(1) THEN 200  
IF FLAG(A)=FLAG(B) THEN GOSUB 1000
```

Related Keywords

CFLAG, FLAG\$, SFLAG

FLAG\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The FLAG\$ function returns an eight-character string whose binary representation shows the status of the 64 flags.



Examples

```
DISP FLAG$  
IF FLAG$="H2a?"&CHR$(12)&"lfM" THEN GOTO 400
```

Description

The left-most (most significant) bit of the left-most character represents the status of flag 1.

When the FLAG\$ string is displayed, executable control characters are interpreted. Non-executable control characters are ignored.

Related Keywords

CFLAG, FLAG

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The FLIP statement causes the keyboard to toggle between typewriter mode operation and BASIC mode operation*.



Description

In typewriter mode, the keyboard produces unshifted lowercase letters and shifted uppercase letters. In BASIC mode, the keyboard produces unshifted uppercase and shifted lowercase letters. Only letter keys are affected. The default condition is typewriter mode.

When ON KYBD branching has been enabled for alphabet keys, the branch is taken only when the typed character exactly matches a character in the ON KYBD string expression. Thus, if you have specified an interrupt for “m” and FLIP has put the keyboard into “BASIC” (uppercase) mode, pressing the **M** key will not generate an interrupt (unless you either press **Shift** with the key, or you have also enabled branches for the uppercase letter “M”).

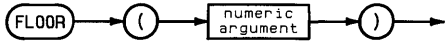
Related Keywords

ON KYBD

¹ Implementation of FLIP is terminal-dependent.

FLOOR

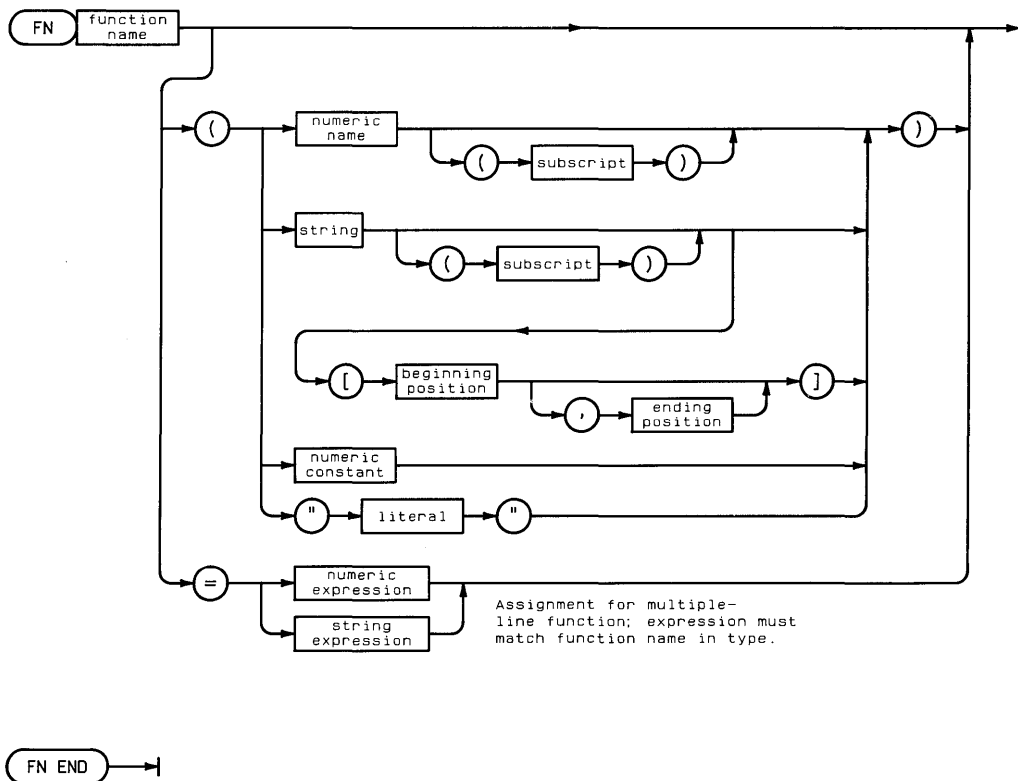
See INT



| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The FN keyword is a prefix used before the name of a user-defined function to identify a call to the function. Optional parameters in parentheses are passed to the function. The function returns a value used by the expression containing the function call.

FN...= is used within a multiple-line, user-defined function to assign a value to the function. FN END defines the end of multiple-line functions.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------------------|---|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| literal | string constant | — |
| numeric constant | a numeric expression that can contain digits 0 through 9, plus or minus sign, a decimal point, and exponential notation | — |
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array | any valid name |
| numeric or string expression | (see glossary) | — |

Examples

```
Y=FNInverse
FNMultilineFunction$=A$ & "****"
```

Description

When FN invokes a user-defined function, the function type (numeric versus string) must match the context of the expression invoking the function. For example, the value returned by a string function cannot be assigned to a numeric variable.

The parameters passed into a user-defined function by FN must match the DEF FN parameter list in number and type (numeric versus string). The parameters are passed by value; any changes made to the value of program variables within a user-defined function are *not* carried back to the program. Numeric and string variables, elements of numeric and string arrays, and substrings can be passed to a function.

The FN...= statement must appear somewhere within a multiple-line function to assign the function a value which is returned to the program.

Recursive user-defined functions are not allowed; a function cannot invoke itself.

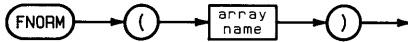
Related Keywords

DEF FN

FNORM

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF . . . THEN Yes

The FNORM function returns a value computed by squaring each element of the specified array, summing the squares, and then taking the square root of the sum.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |

Examples

M=FNORM(Array3)

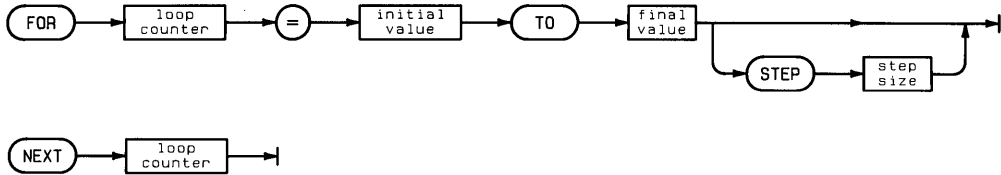
Related Keywords

CNORM, RNORM

FOR...NEXT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The FOR and NEXT statements together define a program loop that is repeated until a loop counter passes a specified value.



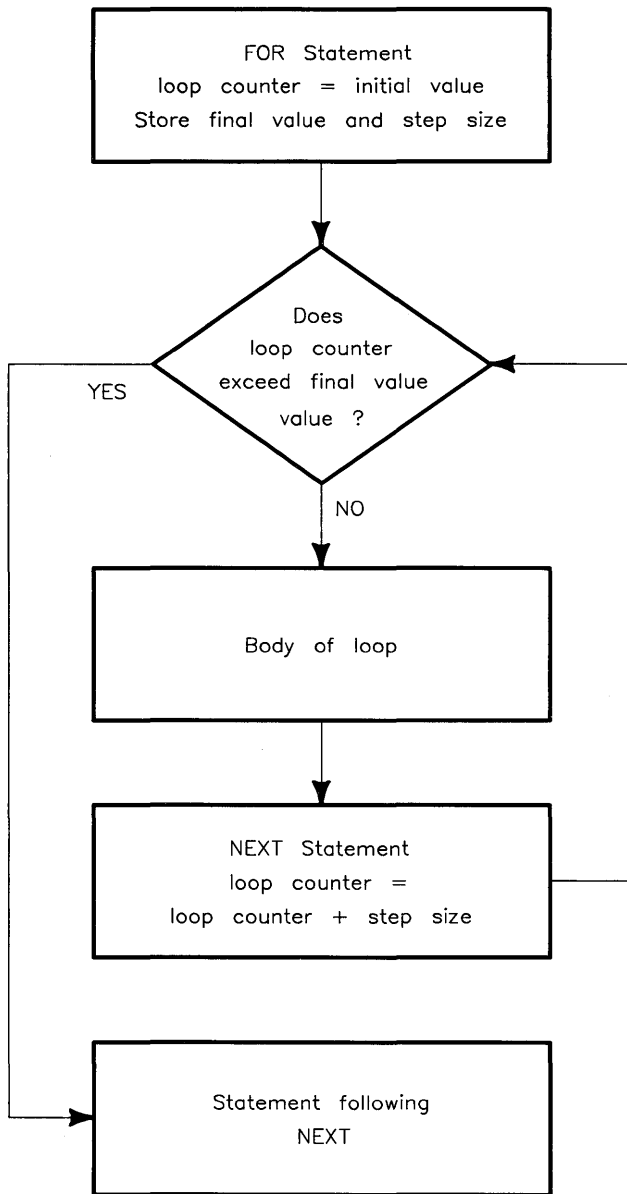
| Item | Description | Range |
|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| loop counter | simple numeric variable name | cannot be an array variable |
| initial value | numeric expression | — |
| final value | numeric expression | — |
| step size | numeric expression (default=1) | — |

Examples

```

100 FOR Counter=1 TO 100
110   DISP Counter
120 NEXT Counter

200 FOR I=N TO N+M STEP stepsize
220   A(I)= .592*ABS(I^^3)
230   IF A(I)>X THEN 400
240   PRINT I, A(I)
250 NEXT I
  
```



Description

The **FOR** statement defines the beginning of the loop, sets the loop counter equal to the specified value, and stores the final value and step size. Each time the **NEXT** statement is executed, the loop counter is incremented (or decremented, in the case of a negative step value) by the step value and then compared to the final value. If the final value has not been passed, program execution is transferred to the statement immediately following the **FOR** statement. If the final value has been passed, program execution continues with the line immediately following the **NEXT** statement. (The loop counter is not equal to the final value when the loop has been exited.)

Because the loop counter is tested immediately after the **FOR** statement is executed (see flowchart), the loop is not executed at all if the loop counter initial value is already greater than the final value. For example, a loop beginning with the statement **FOR I=6 TO 5** will not be executed, since 6 is already greater than the final value 5.

The loop can be exited by unconditional or conditional branching; the loop counter retains its current value. The loop may be re-entered in the body of the loop or at the **FOR** statement. Entering a loop at the **FOR** statement reinitializes the loop counter.

The **FOR** statement stores the loop counter, final value, and step size, and these values remain unchanged for the loop until the **FOR** statement is executed again. When the loop counter, final value, and step size are numeric expressions containing variables, the values of those variables can be changed within the loop without affecting how many times the loop is executed. However, changing the value of the loop counter within the loop can affect how many times the loop is executed. The loop counter can be used in expressions defining the initial value, final value, and step size.

Each **FOR** statement must have one, and only one, matching **NEXT** statement. When **FOR . . .NEXT** loops are *nested*, one loop must be contained entirely within another.

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The FP function returns the fractional part of the numeric argument. The function returns a value greater than -1 and less than +1. A negative argument returns a negative value.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
Y=FP(X+Q)  
IF FP(X)=0 THEN DISP "X IS AN INTEGER"
```

Related Keywords

IP

FRAME

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **FRAME** statement draws a frame around the plotting area using the current line type and pen number.



Description

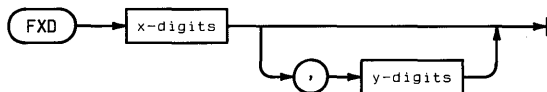
After the frame is drawn, the pen is positioned at the lower left corner of the frame and the pen is up.

Related Keywords

CLIP, LINE TYPE, LOCATE

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The **FXD** statement specifies the number of digits to the right of the decimal point in labels plotted by **LAXES** and **LGRID**.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------|---|--|
| x-digits | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | parameters outside the range 0 through 7 are interpreted as FXD(0) |
| y-digits | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | parameters outside the range 0 through 7 are interpreted as FXD(0) |

Examples

FXD 3
 FXD 3,5

Description

FXD allows for formatting **LAXES** and **LGRID** labels with 0 through 7 digit positions to the right of the decimal point. A maximum of eight digits plus sign are allowed in the label. The **x-digits** parameter specifies the format for x-axis labels; **y-digits** specifies the format for y-axis labels. If the **y-digits** parameter is omitted, the x-axis and y-axis labels are formatted using the **x-digits** parameter.

If a label is too large or too small for the specified label format, it is plotted in exponential notation.

Related Keywords

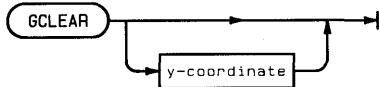
LAXES, **LGRID**

Notes

GCLEAR

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

When the display is the current plotting device, the GCLEAR statement clears the graphics display to the current background color.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--------------------|-------|
| y-coordinate | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
IF X=0 THEN GCLEAR  
GCLEAR YtoBottom
```

Description

If a y-coordinate position is specified, the screen is cleared from that position to the bottom of the display. The y-coordinate is interpreted in the current scaling units.

The current background color is the current color of PEN(0) (default is black).

If the current plotting device is a peripheral plotter, GCLEAR may send a “page eject” command (hardware-dependent).

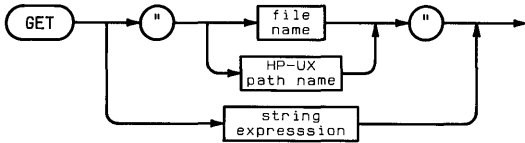
Related Keywords

PEN

GET

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The GET command retrieves the specified text file from mass storage and attempts to enter the contents into memory as program lines, checking for proper syntax as each line is retrieved.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
GET "aPet"
GET A$
```

Description

GET retrieves ASCII character strings from the specified HP-UX "ASCII" text file; the file must not contain control characters. Each record is read as a separate character string. When a string consists of a valid BASIC program statement preceded by a line number, the string is entered into system memory as a program line. If a string cannot be properly interpreted as a program line, due to a syntax error, it is entered into system memory as a comment line. When GET encounters a character string that is not preceded by a valid line number, it displays the line.

The retrieved lines are read into system memory without scratching the program already there. If an incoming line has the same line number as a line already in memory, the new line overwrites the original line.

When the GET operation is finished, the system displays `Get finished.`

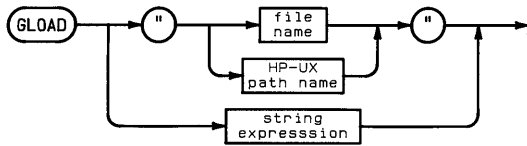
Related Keywords

LOAD

GLOAD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The GLOAD statement retrieves the specified BASIC/GRAF file and enters its contents into graphics display memory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
GLOAD "Filename"
GLOAD "/v1/filename"
GLOAD "/Dir1/Dir2/filename"
```

Description

Executing **GLOAD** overwrites the contents of the graphics raster display as the contents of the **BASIC/GRAF** file are entered into graphics display memory. This file must be compatible with the raster into which it is being loaded; that is, it should have been created with **GSTORE** on a raster of the *same* size, or created specifically for this size of display.

The alpha display can be viewed again by executing **ALPHA**.

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), **GLOAD** uses the current working directory.

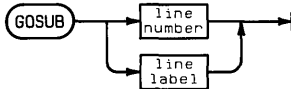
Related Keywords

MASS STORAGE IS, GSTORE

GOSUB

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The `GOSUB` statement causes program execution to branch unconditionally to the subroutine located at the specified line.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
GOSUB 760  
GOSUB marine
```

Description

The specified line must be in the same program or subprogram as the `GOSUB` statement. If the specified statement is declaratory (for example, `DIM`, `REM`, or `DATA`), the program branches to the next executable statement.

When `GOSUB` is executed, execution of the subroutine continues until a `RETURN` statement causes branching to the statement following the `GOSUB` statement.

Subroutines can be recursive; i.e., a subroutine can invoke itself.

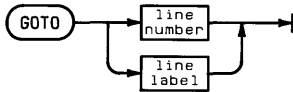
Related Keywords

`GOTO`, `ON...GOSUB`, `ON...GOTO`, `RETURN`

GOTO

Keyboard Executable No
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The GOTO statement causes program execution to branch unconditionally to the specified line.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
200 GOTO 1000  
300 GOTO Increment  
400 IF Happy THEN Smile
```

Description

The specified line must be within the same program or subprogram as the GOTO statement. If the specified statement is declaratory (for example, DIM, REM, or DATA), the program branches to the next executable statement.

When GOTO is used after THEN or ELSE in an IF...THEN (...ELSE) statement, the GOTO keyword can be omitted.

Related Keywords

GOSUB, IF...THEN...ELSE, ON...GOSUB, ON...GOTO

GRAD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The GRAD statement sets grads as the unit in which angles are measured.



Description

When GRAD is executed, all angle parameters in statements and functions are interpreted as grads. (There are 400 grads in a circle.) All functions returning an angle return a value in grads.

The angle mode of a program is global. When a subprogram is called, the current angle mode is carried into the subprogram. If a subprogram changes the angle mode and then returns to the main program, the new mode is carried back to the main program.

Related Keywords

DEG, RAD

GRAPHICS

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN . . . | Yes |

The GRAPHICS statement toggles the graphics raster on and off¹.



Description

The display must be the current PLOTTER IS device. The GRAPHICS statement has no effect on the contents of alpha or graphics CRT memory. The GRAPHICS and ALPHA statements allow you to alternately view the graphics and alpha displays without affecting display memory (supported only on terminals—devices associated with tty nodes).

Related Keywords

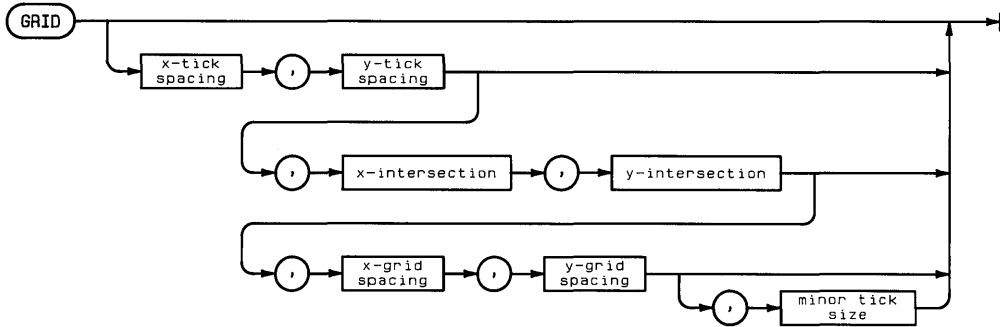
ALPHA

¹ On displays with separate alpha and graphics rasters.

GRID

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **GRID** statement draws a grid pattern onto the plotting area using the current line type and pen number.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|-------|
| x-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in current units (default=10 ticks on the x axis) | — |
| y-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in current units (default=10 ticks on the y axis) | — |
| x-intersection | numeric expression interpreted in the current x-axis units (default=lower-left corner when no tick-spacing is specified; and 0,0 when tick-spacing is specified) | — |
| y-intersection | numeric expression interpreted in the current y-axis units (default=lower-left corner when no tick-spacing is specified; and 0,0 when tick-spacing is specified) | — |
| x-grid spacing | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between vertical grid lines (default=1) | — |
| y-grid spacing | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between horizontal grid lines (default=1) | — |
| minor tick size | length of a minor tick, in graphics units (default=2) | — |

Examples

GRID 5,10

GRID 5,10,Xcross,Ycross

GRID t(1),t(2),30,30,2,4,3

Description

The grid is drawn across the entire plotting area using the current line type. Grid lines are drawn symmetrically from the intersection of the two axes such that a grid line on each axis corresponds with the origin.

The x- and y-tick spacing parameters specify the distance between tick marks on each axis. Negative numbers are interpreted as positive values by taking the absolute value. When no x- and y-tick spacing parameters are specified, 10 ticks are drawn on each axis.

The x-intersection parameter specifies, in current x-axis units, the point where the x-axis intersects the y-axis. The y-intersection parameter specifies, in current y-axis units, the point where the y-axis intersects the x-axis.

The x- and y-grid spacing parameters specify the number of intervals between grid lines. For example, a major count of 4 means that every fourth tick is a grid line. The default value of one draws each tick as a grid line.

The minor tick size parameter specifies the length of the ticks in graphics units. The default length is 2 GU's.

Note that if negative pen numbers are used, the axis may be destroyed by GRID; if this happens, you should use a positive pen number.

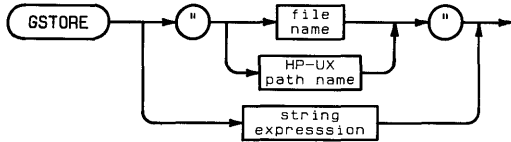
Related Keywords

AXES, LGRID, LINE TYPE

GSTORE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **GSTORE** statement stores the contents of graphics display memory into a **BASIC/GRAF** file with the specified name.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
GSTORE "Filename"  
GSTORE FILE$  
GSTORE "/Dir1/Dir2/filename"
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the `GSTORE` operation uses the current working directory.

When `GSTORE` is executed, the system searches the specified directory for a `BASIC/GRAF` file with the specified name. If the file is found, the current contents of the graphics display memory is stored in that file, overwriting the previous contents. If no such file is found, then the file is created.

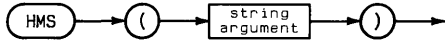
An error is returned if the file name exists with another file type.

Related Keywords

`GLOAD`, `MASS STORAGE IS`

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The HMS function converts a string in hours:minutes:seconds (HH:MM:SS) format to an integer number of seconds.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| string argument | string expression | (see Description) |

Examples

```
DISP HMS("09:55:34")  
LoopTime$=HMS(A$&" : "&B$&" : "&C$)
```

Description

The string expression must evaluate to a string in the form HH:MM:SS, where:

- HH (hours) consists of two digits in the range 00 through 99.
- MM (minutes) and SS (seconds) are each two digits in the range 00 through 59.

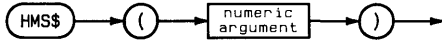
Related Keywords

DATE, HMS\$, MDY, MDY\$, TIME

HMS\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The HMS\$ function converts a specified number of seconds to hours:minutes:seconds (HH:MM:SS) format.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--|----------|
| numeric argument | non-negative numeric expression, rounded to an integer, interpreted as number of seconds | <360,000 |

Examples

```
Header$=HMS$(A)
DISP HMS$(12000)
```

Description

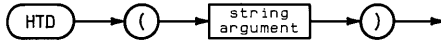
HMS\$ returns a string in the range 00:00:00 (HMS\$(0)) through 99:59:59 (HMS\$(359999)).

Related Keywords

DATE, HMS, MYD, MYD\$, TIME

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF . . . THEN Yes

The **HTD** (*hexadecimal-to-decimal*) function interprets the string argument as the hexadecimal (base 16) representation of an integer and returns the numeric decimal equivalent.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--|
| string argument | string expression containing the base 16 representation of an integer | characters must be 0 through 9, A through F; cannot exceed the range of integers |

Examples

```

Y=HTD(J$&"B")
IF D=HTD("A") THEN 700
  
```

Related Keywords

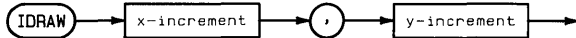
BTD, DTB\$, DTH\$, DTO\$, OTD

Notes

IDRAW

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The IDRAW statement draws a line from the current pen position to a position calculated by incrementing the current position by the specified x- and y-increments.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|--------------------|-------|
| x-increment | numeric expression | — |
| y-increment | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
IDRAW 10,50  
IDRAW RATIO*10, B(1)
```

Description

IDRAW uses the current units mode (UU's or GU's) and line type. In UU's mode, lines cannot be drawn outside the plotting boundaries. In GU's mode, the plotting boundaries become equivalent to the graphics limits; therefore, lines can be drawn anywhere within the graphics limits.

In both UU's mode and GU's mode, the logical pen can be moved outside the plotting area. However, the physical pen cannot be moved beyond the plotting boundaries.

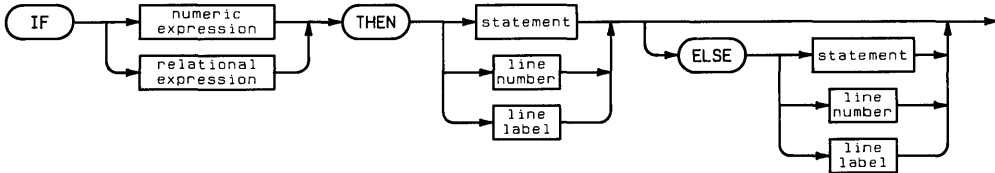
Related Keywords

DRAW, IMOVE, IPLOT, LINE TYPE, PLOT

IF...THEN...(ELSE)

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The IF...THEN...(ELSE) statement causes conditional branching to the specified program line, based on the value of a relational or numeric expression.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| relational expression | an expression comparing two numeric or string expressions using relational operators (=, <, >, ≤, ≥, <> or #). | — |
| numeric expression | evaluated as true if non-zero and false if zero | — |
| statement | a programmable statement allowable "In an IF...THEN" | refer to individual keyword legal usage tables |
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```

IF SIN(Angle) THEN DrawLine
IF Variable<5 THEN 200 ELSE PRINT Variable
  
```

Description

When the expression following **IF** evaluates as true (non-zero), the portion of the statement following **THEN** is executed. When the expression following **IF** is false and the statement includes **ELSE**, the portion of the statement following **ELSE** is executed. When the expression following **IF** is false and the statement does not include **ELSE**, program execution proceeds to the next line.

THEN and **ELSE** can be followed by:

- A line number or line label. This is interpreted as an implied **GOTO**.
- An executable statement. The statement must be one permitted “In an **IF . . . THEN**.” If the executable statement is a **GOSUB** statement, the subroutine **RETURN** statement returns execution to the line following the **IF . . . THEN** statement.
- A sequence of statements concatenated with **Ø**.

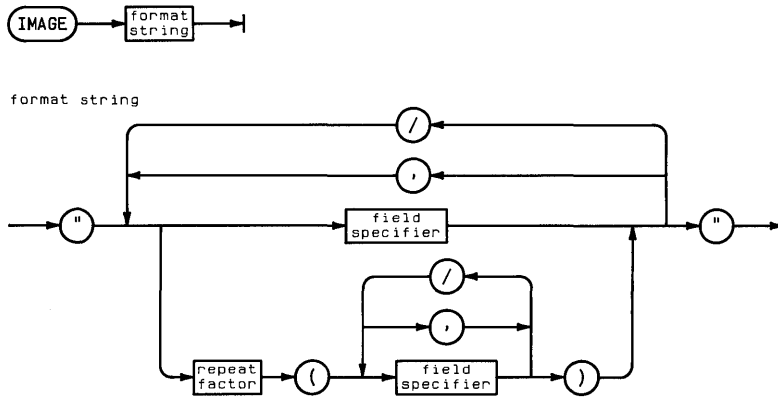
Related Keywords

GOSUB, **GOTO**

IMAGE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The IMAGE statement contains a format string referenced by DISP USING, ENTER USING, LABEL USING, OUTPUT USING, or PRINT USING. The format string contains one or more field specifiers that describe the format of the incoming or outgoing data.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|-------|
| field specifier | literal consisting of one or more image specifiers (see subsequent syntax diagram) | — |
| repeat factor | integer constant | >0 |
| format string | character string consisting of one or more field specifiers | — |

Examples

```
IMAGE 2ZCDDD.2D,4X,12A,K  
IMAGE #, 4(M3*.3DE,2X,2(3A))  
IMAGE "Results = ",2(4D.2D,3X)
```

Description

When the format string is part of an **IMAGE** statement, it is not enclosed in quotes. A format string is enclosed in quotes when it is part of a **DISP USING**, **ENTER USING**, **LABEL USING**, **OUTPUT USING**, or **PRINT USING** statement.

The format string consists of one or more *field specifiers*, separated by delimiters. Most field specifiers designate a format for a particular item. Items are paired with their corresponding field specifiers from left to right. Certain field specifiers are not paired with an item. For example, X specifies a blank space between two items and / specifies an end-of-line sequence.

A field specifier consists of one or more image specifiers. The image specifiers within a field specifier describe the format of one **PRINT**, **DISP**, **LABEL**, **OUTPUT**, or **ENTER** item. Items must match their field specifiers in type. For example, a string expression must be formatted with a field specifier appropriate for string data rather than one for numeric items. Certain image specifiers can be preceded by a repeat factor. For example, 4A specifies four character spaces. Certain image specifiers are used to control the EOL sequence sent to devices.

If the format string is exhausted before the entire list of items is output, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored.

If a field specifier is larger than a numeric item, the number is right-justified in the field. An **IMAGE** overflow occurs when a numeric item requires more digits spaces to the left of the decimal point than are specified. The overflow is reported as a warning (**DEFAULT ON**) or error (**DEFAULT OFF**). In the case of a warning, the default value assigned to the item may be incorrect. If a numeric item contains more decimal places than the field specifier, the number is rounded to fit the field.

If a string item is longer than the field specifier, it is truncated to fit the field. If the string item is shorter than the field specifier, the string is left-justified in the field.

IMAGE statements are declaratory; they are ignored if they are not referenced.

field specifier

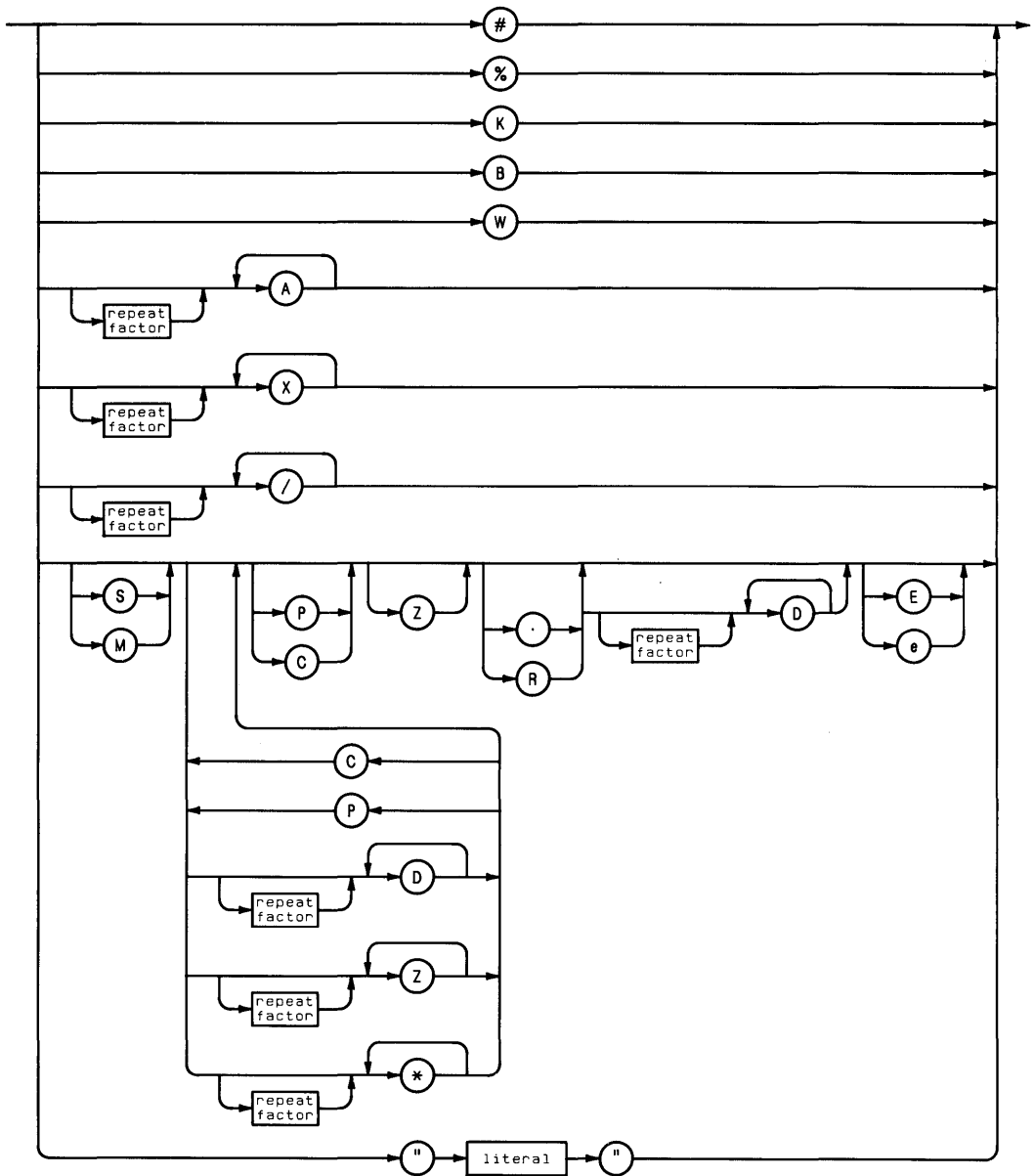


Table of Image Specifiers and Delimiters for DISP, PRINT, OUTPUT, and LABEL¹

| Image Specifier | Meaning |
|------------------------|--|
| X | Outputs a blank space. |
| D | Digit position to left or right of the radix symbol. If the field to the left of the radix is larger than the number, the number is right-justified with leading blanks. If no sign is specified, a minus sign occupies one digit position. If a sign image is specified, the sign is positioned to the left of the left-most digit. |
| Z | Digit position to left of the radix symbol. If the field to the left of the radix is larger than the number, the number is right-justified with leading zeros. |
| * | Digit position to left of the radix symbol. If the field to the left of the radix is larger than the number, the number is right-justified with leading asterisks. |
| K | Strings are in compact format with no leading or trailing blanks. Numbers are in standard number format with no leading or trailing blanks. |
| A | Character position for a string character; When the specified field is larger than the string, characters are left-justified. |
| B | Outputs a value as one 8-bit byte of data. Values outside the range 0 through 255 are reduced MOD (256). Numbers outside the range 0 through 32,767 return the character ■. Numbers are rounded to the nearest integer. ² |
| W | Outputs a value as two, 8-bit bytes of a 16-bit word. The most significant byte is output first. Numbers outside the range -32,768 through 32,767 uses 32,767. Negative numbers are output in 16-bit 2's complement format. ² |
| . | Radix; specifies a decimal point in that position. |
| R | Radix; places a comma in that position. |
| literal ³ | String constant consisting of any of the following: keyboard characters, the CHR\$ function, and metacharacter sequences. The literal image is output without quotation marks. |

¹ This table applies to formatted DISP, PRINT, OUTPUT, and LABEL. See ENTER for additional information.

² When output is directed to the printer or display, the character(s) with decimal codes corresponding to the data bytes are output.

³ Literal images cannot be used with **OUTPUT USING**.

Table of Image Specifiers and Delimiters for DISP, PRINT, OUTPUT, and LABEL (Continued)¹

| Image Specifier | Meaning |
|------------------------|---|
| C | Digit separator; places a comma in that position. Comma is output only if digits on both sides of the separator are output. |
| P | Digit separator; places a period in that position. Period is output only if digits on both sides of the separator are output. |
| E | Exponential format; exponent consists of three digits plus sign. |
| e | Exponential format; exponent consists of two digits plus sign. |
| S | Sign; + or -. |
| M | Sign; blank or -. |
| " " | Literal; outputs characters enclosed between quotes. |
| / | Image specifier or delimiter; performs a carriage return/line feed. |
| # | Placed at beginning of format string to suppress output of an end-of-line sequence. |

Related Keywords

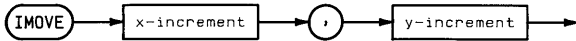
DISP, ENTER, PRINT, OUTPUT

¹ This table applies to formatted DISP, PRINT, OUTPUT, and LABEL. See ENTER for additional information.

IMOVE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The IMOVE statement lifts the pen and moves it from the current position to a position calculated by incrementing the current pen position by the specified x- and y-displacements.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|--|-------|
| x-increment | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| y-increment | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |

Examples

```
IMOVE 5,10  
IMOVE A-10,B
```

Description

IMOVE uses the current units mode (UU's or GU's). The physical pen cannot move beyond the plotting boundaries (equivalent to the graphics limits in GU's mode). However, the logical pen can be moved beyond the plotting boundaries or graphics limits.

Related Keywords

DRAW, IDRAW, IPLOT, LINE TYPE, MOVE, PLOT

INF

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The INF function returns machine infinity, the largest positive REAL number.



Examples

```
DISP INF
```

Related Keywords

EPS

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF . . . THEN | No |

The INIT command initializes the BASIC program currently in memory.



Description

Initializing a program:

- Erases variable assignments made from the keyboard.
- Allocates memory to all program variables and assigns them values of 0 and the null string.
- Checks the program for prerun errors; for example, referencing a nonexistent line, duplicate user-defined functions, and dimensioning the same variable more than once.
- Sets the lowest numbered line as the first line to be executed when the program is run.
- Cancels any enabled event-initiated branching.
- Clears program flags.

Refer to the table of Reset Conditions for additional information.

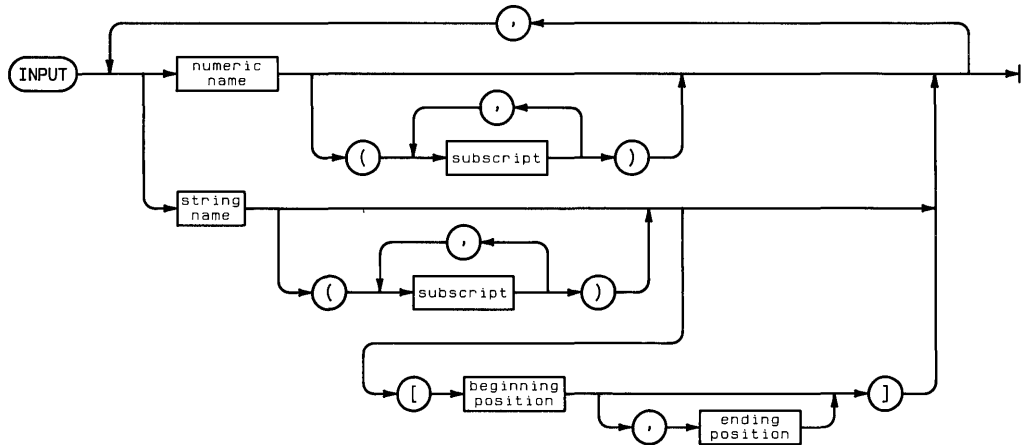
Related Keywords

CONT, PAUSE, RUN

INPUT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The INPUT statement is used to assign values entered from the keyboard to program variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
30 INPUT Variable1,Variable2$,Array1(2,3)
50 INPUT Array2$(3),Array2$(4) [3,5],Array2$(6) [3]
```

Description

Executing INPUT causes program execution to halt until a value has been entered from the keyboard for each input item. Items are separated by commas. The entire list of items must be entered at once. An error is returned if the number of items entered does not equal the number of items listed in the input statement.

Individual items must match the specified INPUT variable(s) in type (numeric versus string). The input statement can include simple numeric and string variables, numeric and string array elements, and substrings. Entries from the keyboard can include numbers, numeric expressions containing numbers and operators, and character strings. If quotation marks appear anywhere in the input string, they are regarded as part of the string. The null string can be assigned to an INPUT string variable only when the INPUT statement contains only that item.

When INPUT is executed, a question mark is displayed on the current alpha display line. A DISP (USING) statement, executed just before the INPUT statement, can be used to display a more informative prompt. The question mark appears on a separate line from the DISP (USING) prompt unless that statement suppresses the end-of-line sequence. If the EOL sequence is suppressed, the question mark is displayed on the same line as the prompt, immediately after the last character. The DISP EOL sequence is suppressed by terminating the statement with a semicolon. The DISP USING EOL sequence is suppressed by including the # image specifier in the format string.

Live keyboard operations are not allowed while the program is halted at INPUT. If a program is paused from the keyboard at an INPUT statement, executing CONT resumes program execution at the line following the INPUT statement; the INPUT variables do not receive assignments.

ON KEY#, ON KYBD, ON TIMER#, and ON ERROR branching are temporarily disabled during execution of an INPUT statement.

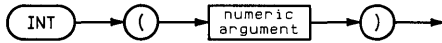
Related Keywords

LINPUT

INT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The INT function returns the greatest integer less than or equal to the numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
DISP INT(35.77*X)
IF X/2=INT(X/2) THEN PRINT "Variable X is Even"
```

Description

The functions INT and FLOOR perform identical operations. INT differs from IP for negative arguments. For example, IP(-5.6) returns -5, whereas INT(-5.6) returns -6.

The FLOOR function is identical to INT.

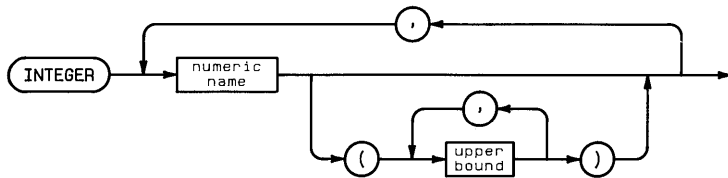
Related Keywords

FLOOR, FP, IP

INTEGER

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The **INTEGER** statement declares and reserves memory for integer variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| upper bound | integer constant | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

```
INTEGER IntegerVariable, IntegerArray1(10), IntegerArray2(5,3)
```

Description

All numeric variables are **REAL** unless declared **SHORT** or **INTEGER**.

When the numeric variable name is used with one or two upper bound(s) enclosed in parentheses, the variable is dimensioned to be a one- or two- dimensional array. The default lower bound of the array is 0. The **OPTION BASE** statement is used to set the lower bound equal to 1.

When a **REAL** number is assigned to an **INTEGER** variable, the number is rounded. Overflow occurs if the value of the number is outside the range of integers.

When variables are passed to a subprogram by address, the precision declarations accompany the variable into the subprogram.

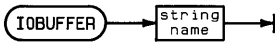
Related Keywords

DIM, **SHORT**, **REAL**

IOBUFFER

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The IOBUFFER statement declares a string variable as an I/O buffer.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| string name | name of a simple string variable | any valid name |

Examples

IOBUFFER OneDollar\$

Description

The previously dimensioned length of the string is the size of the buffer. When the buffer is declared, two pointers (empty and fill pointers) are established for controlling buffer activity. In addition, two status and two control registers provide for monitoring the buffer pointers:

I/O Buffer Status Registers

| Register | Default Value | Function |
|----------|---------------|----------------------|
| SR0 | 1 | Buffer empty pointer |
| SR1 | 0 | Buffer fill pointer |

I/O Buffer Control Registers

| Register | Default Value | Function |
|----------|---------------|----------------------|
| CR0 | 1 | Buffer empty pointer |
| CR1 | 0 | Buffer fill pointer |

- The *buffer empty pointer* has an initial value of 1. Its value changes when data bytes are removed from the buffer:

1. A byte of data is accessed by an **ENTER** statement.
2. The buffer empty pointer is incremented by 1.

The value of the buffer empty pointer is stored in control/status register 0. The value of the pointer is restored to 1 when the buffer is empty.

- The *buffer fill pointer* has an initial value of 0. Its value changes as bytes of data are placed in the buffer:

1. The buffer fill pointer is incremented by 1.
2. A byte of data is placed in the buffer.

The value of the buffer fill pointer is stored in control/status register 1. The value of the pointer is restored to 0 when the buffer is empty.

A buffer is empty when the buffer empty pointer equals the buffer fill pointer plus one. A buffer is full when the buffer fill pointer equals the dimensioned length of the string variable. When a buffer becomes empty, the buffer fill pointer is reset to 0 and the buffer empty pointer is reset to 1. The data can be accessed again by changing the value of the buffer fill pointer.

If a conversion table is to be used for a buffer, the **CONVERT** statement must be executed *after* the buffer has been declared with an **IOBUFFER** statement.

Related Keywords

CONTROL, CONVERT, ENTER, OUTPUT, STATUS

IP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The IP function returns the integer part of the numeric argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

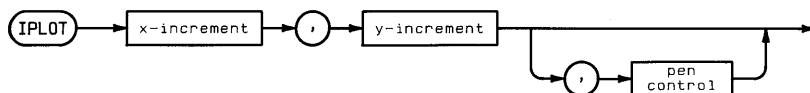
```
PRINT IP(number)
Counter=IP(X+9.6)
```

Related Keywords

FLOOR, FP, INT

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The I PLOT statement moves the pen from the current pen position to a position calculated by incrementing the current pen position by the specified x- and y-displacements. The optional pen control parameter specifies the up/down status of the pen.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|--|-------|
| x-increment | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| y-increment | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| pen control | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=+1; pen lowered after move) | — |

Examples

```
I PLOT X,Y,P
I PLOT 5,10
```

Description

I`PL`OT uses the current units (GU's or UU's) and line type. In UU's mode, lines cannot be drawn outside the plotting boundaries. In GU's mode, the plotting boundaries are equivalent to the graphics limits; therefore, lines can be drawn anywhere within the graphics limits.

In both UU's mode and GU's mode, I`PL`OT can position the logical pen outside the plotting area. However, I`PL`OT cannot position the physical pen outside the plotting boundaries. If none of the line is inside the current plotting area, the physical pen is not moved, but the logical pen position is updated.

The optional pen control parameter specifies the up and down position of the pen as follows:

Pen Control

| Pen Control Parameter | Pen Action |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| positive, even | pen moved and then lifted |
| positive, odd | pen moved and then lowered |
| negative, even | pen lifted and then moved |
| negative, odd | pen lowered and then moved |

If no pen control parameter is specified, the up/down status of the pen before I`PL`OT is executed determines whether the pen is up or down as it moves. If the pen is up, it is lowered when it reaches its new position.

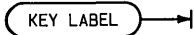
Related Keywords

LINE TYPE, PLOT, RPL`OT`

KEY LABEL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **KEY LABEL** statement displays the key labels assigned to the user-defined (special function) keys during program execution.



Examples

```
IF KCode=150 THEN KEY LABEL
```

Description

When it is executed in a program, **KEY LABEL** displays the key labels assigned by **ON KEY#** statements in the program.

Executing **KEY LABEL** from the keyboard displays the key labels for the typing aids assigned to the user-defined keys. The typing aid assignments are changed by executing **ON KEY#** from the keyboard.

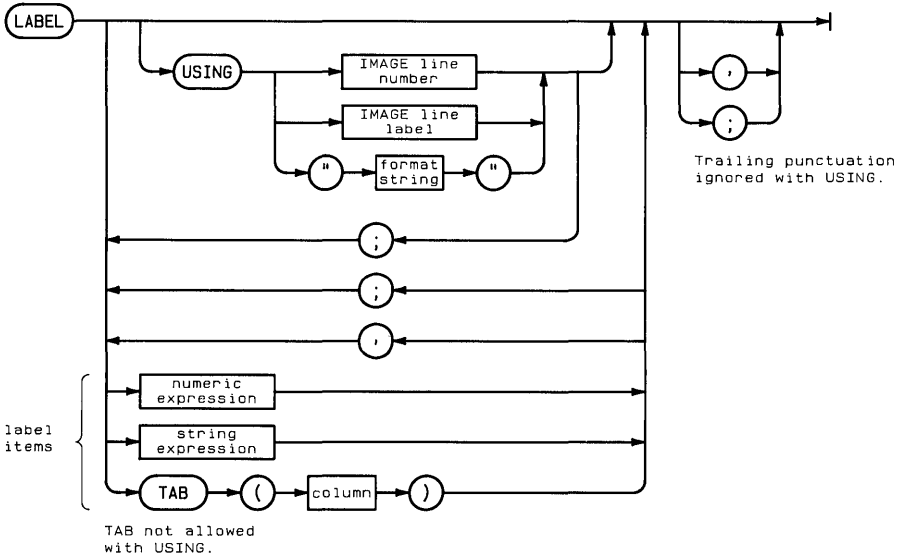
Related Keywords

OFF KEY#, **ON KEY#**

LABEL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LABEL statement plots alphanumeric labels on the plotting device at the current pen position.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|---|
| IMAGE line number | integer constant identifying an IMAGE statement | 1 through 65,535 |
| IMAGE line label | name identifying an IMAGE statement | any valid line name |
| format string | string expression containing one or more field specifiers (see IMAGE statement for syntax) | — |
| column | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | −99,999 through 99,999; negative numbers are interpreted as 1 |
| numeric expression | — | — |
| string expression | — | — |

Examples

```
LABEL "Velocity (m/s)"  
LABEL A$  
LABEL USING "5Z.2D"; Earnings  
LABEL USING Format; Ylabel$ &"(millions)"
```

Description

Labels can be positioned anywhere within the graphics limits. They are drawn using the current pen and line type 1. (The current line type remains in effect for lines and axes.) If a negative pen number is currently in effect, portions of labels may disappear.

LABEL Without Using

Simple LABEL statements use either of two formats:

- When label items are separated by semicolons, they are drawn in *narrow* format:
 - Numerics are output using standard number format (see glossary), with only a leading blank or minus sign and no trailing blanks.
 - Strings are output with no leading or trailing blanks.
- When label items are separated by commas, they are drawn in *wide* format:
 - Left-justified in 21-column fields, padded with trailing blanks as necessary. (Items longer than 21 characters occupy more than one field.)

When the TAB function is included as a label item, the cursor moves to the designated column. Negative column numbers are treated as TAB(1). Column numbers greater than the line length are reduced MOD (line length). When TAB is used to control format, label items should be separated by semicolons; using commas causes output to be displayed in wide format.

After all the label items have been drawn, an end-of-line sequence is sent to the logical pen, moving the pen to a position underneath the first character of the label. The EOL sequence can be suppressed by including a comma or semicolon after the last label item.

LABEL Appearance and Position

The following statements control the appearance of labels:

- The CSIZE statement determines the height, aspect ratio, and slant of the label characters.
- The LORG statement determines the position of the label with respect to the pen position at the time the LABEL statement is executed.
- The LDIR statement determines the angle at which the label is drawn.

Formatted Labels

The LABEL USING statement uses a format string contained in the statement itself or in an accompanying IMAGE statement to format the output. The format string, consisting of one or more field specifiers separated by delimiters (, or /), is used from left to right. Label items are paired with their corresponding field specifiers. Certain field specifiers do not use a label item (for example, X). If the format string is exhausted before all the display items have been processed, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored. If a field is larger than the numeric item, the number is right-justified in the field. A warning is issued if the number is larger than the field. (A minus sign requires a digit position if M or S is not included in the field specifier.) Numbers are rounded to the number of decimal places indicated by the field specifier.

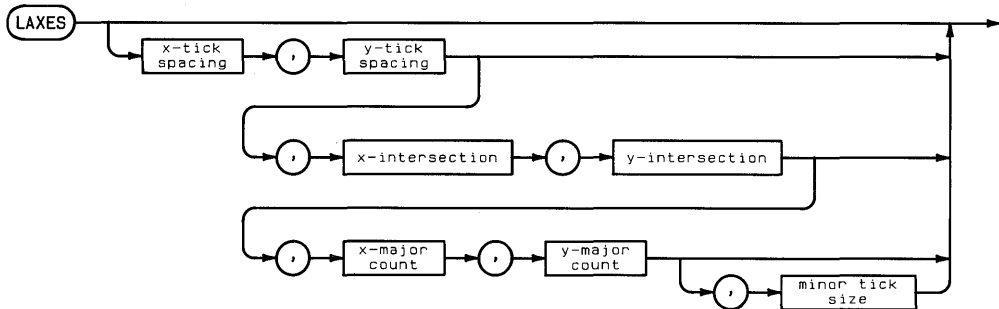
Refer to IMAGE for the syntax of the format string.

Related Keywords

Csize, IMAGE, LDIR, LORG

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

LAXES (*label axes*) statement draws a pair of axes and labels them with the current scale units at each major tick mark.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|-------|
| x-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=10 ticks on the x axis) | — |
| y-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=10 ticks on the y axis) | — |
| x-intersection | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=lower-left corner when no tick-spacing is specified; and 0,0 when tick-spacing is specified) | — |
| y-intersection | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units (default=lower-left corner when no tick-spacing is specified; and 0,0 when tick-spacing is specified) | — |
| x-major count | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between major tick marks on the x-axis (default=1) | — |
| y-major count | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between major tick marks on the y-axis (default=1) | — |
| major tick size | length of a major tick, in graphics units | — |

Examples

```
LAXES (Xmax-Xmin)/10,2  
LAXES 1,2,Xsect,Ysect  
LAXES 1,2,40,20,3,1
```

Description

The axes are drawn across the entire plotting area using the current line type. Tick marks are drawn symmetrically from the intersection of the two axes such that a major tick mark on each axis corresponds with the origin. Labels are drawn using line type 1. They are placed outside the plotting boundaries below the x-axis and to the left of the y-axis.

The x and y tick-spacing parameters specify the distance between tick marks on each axis. When the tick-spacing parameter is positive, the labels are drawn perpendicular to the axis. When the tick-spacing parameter is negative, the labels are drawn parallel to the axis. When no tick-spacing parameters are included, 10 ticks are drawn on each axis.

The x-intersection parameter specifies, in current x-axis units, the point where the x-axis intersects the y-axis. The y-intersection parameter specifies, in current y-axis units, the point where the y-axis intersects the x-axis.

The x- and y-major count parameters specify the number of intervals between major ticks. For example, a major count of 4 means that every fourth tick is major tick. The default value of 1 draws each tick as a major tick.

The major tick size parameter specifies the length of the major ticks in graphics units. The default length is 2 GU's. Minor ticks are always the size of major ticks.

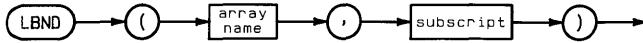
If LAXES has been reflected (such as by reversing the parameters in a LIMIT statement), you may have to reflect the labels back by using the converse reflection operation in a CSIZE statement.

Related Keywords

AXES, GRID, LGRID, LINE TYPE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The LBND function returns the lower bound of the specified array.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 2 |

Examples

```
DISP LBND(array, 1)  
MAT S=B(LBND(B, 1) : 5, 3)
```

Description

LBND always returns the current option base. The second parameter (subscript) is ignored. (The parameter is used with the corresponding UBND function to specify which upper bound is to be returned in the case of two-dimensional arrays.)

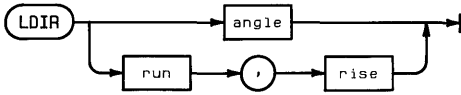
Related Keywords

UBND

LDIR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LDIR (*label direction*) statement specifies the angle at which labels are drawn.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------|---|-------|
| angle | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode | — |
| run | numeric expression, interpreted in the current scale units | — |
| rise | numeric expression, interpreted in the current scale units | — |

Examples

```
LDIR 60  
LDIR A(I),A(I)*1.3
```

Description

The specified angle is interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode (DEG, RAD, or GRAD). This angle measures the counterclockwise rotation between the horizontal axis and the label direction.

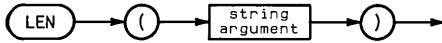
The run and rise parameters determine the direction of a vector drawn in the new label direction.

Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD, LABEL, PDIR, RAD

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The LEN (*length*) numeric function returns the number of characters in the string argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |

Examples

```
Y=LEN(A$)  
IF LEN(String$)<=10 THEN String$=String$&&"
```

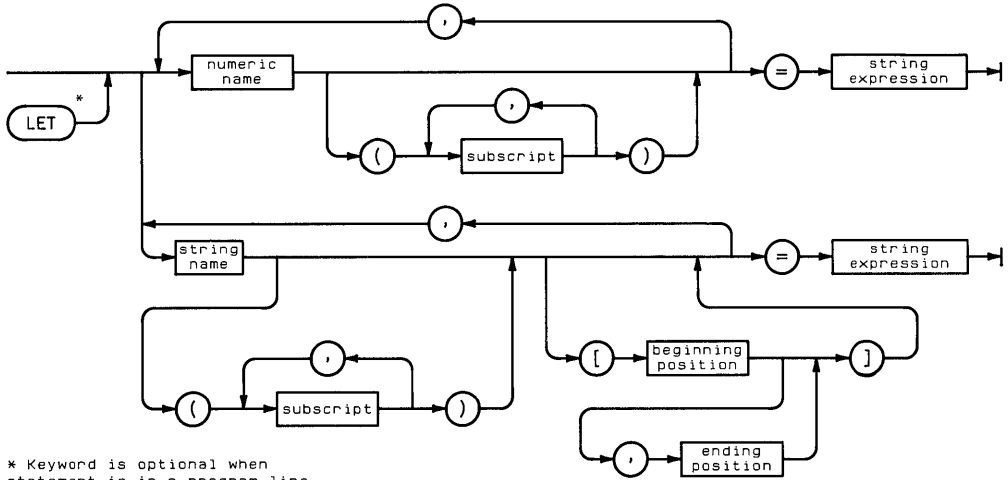
Description

The value returned is the current number of characters in the string, regardless of its dimensioned length. The length of the null string is 0.

LET

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LET statement assigns values to variables. The keyword is optional in program lines. Assignments from the keyboard must include the keyword.



* Keyword is optional when statement is in a program line.

| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
LET Variable=5*X  
Svariable$="ABC"&H$  
LET A(2,4), B(2,5)=7  
String1$(3)[2,5]="fghi"
```

Description

LET assigns the numeric or string value on the right side of the equation to one or more variables on the left side. Any variables used on the right side must previously have been assigned.

A REAL expression is rounded when assigned to an INTEGER or SHORT variable. The REAL expression must evaluate to a number within the INTEGER or SHORT range.

When a string expression is assigned to a string variable, the expression must evaluate to a sequence of characters less than or equal to the dimensioned size of the string variable. When a string expression is assigned to a substring, excess characters are truncated. For example, A\$[1,2]="abcde" assigns the characters ab to the first two characters of variable A\$.

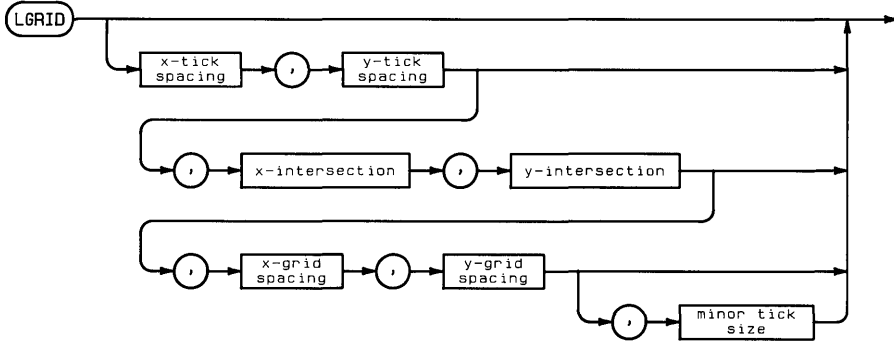
The following rules apply to string assignments:

- The expression on the right must evaluate to a string less than or equal to the dimensioned size of the variable.
- When an expression is assigned to a substring, excess characters are truncated. For example, A\$[n,n+1]="abcde" assigns ab to positions n and n+1 of A\$.
- When a substring reference contains only the beginning position, characters are entered into the string starting at that position. For example, A\$[n]="qrs" assigns qrs to character positions n, n+1, and n+2.
- A\$[n,n]="abc" assigns a to position n.
- A substring in which the ending position is one less than the beginning position specifies the null string. For example, A\$=B\$[4,3] is equivalent to A\$="".
- Substring expressions A\$[n+2,n], A\$[n+3,n], etc., return an error.

LGRID

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LGRID statement draws a grid within the current plotting area and labels each grid line with the current scale units.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|-------|
| x-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in current units (default=10 ticks on the x axis) | — |
| y-tick spacing | numeric expression, interpreted in current units (default=10 ticks on the y axis) | — |
| x-intersection | numeric expression interpreted in the current x-axis units (default=lower-left corner when no tick-spacing is specified; and 0,0 when tick-spacing is specified) | — |
| y-intersection | numeric expression interpreted in the current y-axis units (default=lower-left corner) | — |
| x-grid spacing | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between vertical grid lines (default=1) | — |
| y-grid spacing | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, specifying the number of tick intervals between horizontal grid lines (default=1) | — |
| minor tick size | length of a minor tick, in graphics units (default=2) | — |

Examples

```
LGRID 5,10
```

```
LGRID Xspace,Xspace*2,Xsect,Ysect
```

```
LGRID 5,10,30,30,2,4,3
```

Description

The grid is drawn across the entire plotting area using the current line type. Grid lines are drawn symmetrically from the intersection of the two axes such that a grid line on each axis corresponds with the origin. Each grid line is labeled with the current scale units. Labels are drawn outside the plotting boundaries below the x-axis and to the left of the y-axis using line type 1.

The x- and y-tick spacing parameters specify the distance between tick marks on each axis. When the tick-spacing parameter is positive, the labels are drawn perpendicular to the axis. When the tick-spacing parameter is negative, the labels are drawn parallel to the axis. When no tick-spacing parameters are specified, 10 ticks are drawn on each axis.

The x-intersection parameter specifies, in current x-axis units, the point where the x-axis intersects the y-axis. The y-intersection parameter specifies, in current y-axis units, the point where the y-axis intersects the x-axis.

The x- and y-grid spacing parameters specify the number of intervals between grid lines. For example, a major count of 4 means that every fourth tick is a grid line. The default value of one draws each tick as a grid line.

The minor tick size parameter specifies the length of the ticks in graphics units. The default length is 2 GU's.

If LGRID is executed without parameters, two labeled axes are drawn.

If LGRID has been reflected (such as by reversing the parameters in a LIMIT statement), you may have to reflect the labels back by using the converse reflection operation in a CSIZE statement.

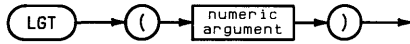
Related Keywords

AXES, GRID, LAXES, LINE TYPE

LGT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LGT function returns the base 10 logarithm of the argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | >0 |

Examples

```
A(2)=A(1)*LGT(T)  
IF LGT(X)=2 THEN DISP X
```

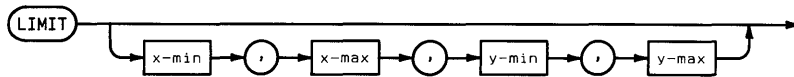
Related Keywords

LOG

LIMIT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The LIMIT statement specifies the graphics limits of the plotting device and activates the graphics default conditions (see glossary). The graphics limits must be within the physical limits of the plotting device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------|--|-------|
| x-min | numeric expression, interpreted as millimeters | — |
| x-max | numeric expression, interpreted as millimeters | — |
| y-min | numeric expression, interpreted as millimeters | — |
| y-max | numeric expression, interpreted as millimeters | — |

Examples

```
LIMIT 0,125,0,75
```

```
LIMIT A(1),A(2),A(3),A(4)
```

Description

The LIMIT parameters specify the coordinates, in millimeters, of the lower-left and upper-right corners of the plotting area. The origin is the lower-left corner of the physical limits. The parameters must specify coordinates within the physical limits of the plotting device. When LIMIT is executed, the physical and logical pens are moved to the lower-left corner of the graphics limits(0,0) in GU's.

Executing LIMIT overrides any previously set graphics limits; the new limits remain in effect until a new LIMIT statement is executed, or until the default graphics limits are activated (see glossary) by reset or by executing a PLOTTER IS statement.

When LIMIT is executed without parameters, program execution halts until coordinates are entered from the plotting device.

The order of LIMIT parameters can be changed to produce reflected graphics output:

Reflecting Plots

| <u>LIMIT Statement Parameters</u> | <u>Effect</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| x-max, x-min, y-min, y-max | reflects output across y-axis |
| x-min, x-max, y-max, y-min | reflects output across x-axis |
| x-max, x-min, y-max, y-min | reflects output across origin |

Some reflections will also affect labels. However, you can reverse these effects by using negative CSIZE parameters.

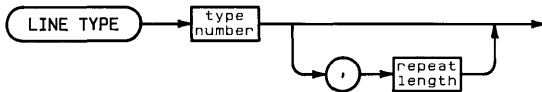
Related Keywords

CSIZE, LOCATE, PLOTTER IS, RATIO, SCALE, SETGU, SETUU, SHOW

LINE TYPE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The LINE TYPE statement selects the line type for drawing lines, axes, frames, and grids on the graphics display. For some peripheral plotters and displays, LINE TYPE also provides for selecting the repeat length of the line pattern.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------------|---|-------|
| type number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=1) | — |
| repeat length | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, interpreted as GU's (default=4 GU's for peripheral plotters) | — |

Examples

LINE TYPE 5
LINE TYPE A,10

Description

Line types 1 through 8 are available on the graphics display. Type numbers outside this range default to line type 1.

The repeat length is always expressed in GU's, regardless of the current units. The default value of the display repeat length is machine-dependent. The repeat length parameter may be ignored by some display devices.

Typical Display Line Types

Here is an example of the line types available on an HP 2627 terminal. Note that they may vary from device to device.

| Type Number | Pattern |
|-------------|---------|
| LINE TYPE 8 | ----- |
| LINE TYPE 7 | ----- |
| LINE TYPE 6 | ----- |
| LINE TYPE 5 | ----- |
| LINE TYPE 4 | ----- |
| LINE TYPE 3 | |
| LINE TYPE 2 | ----- |
| LINE TYPE 1 | _____ |

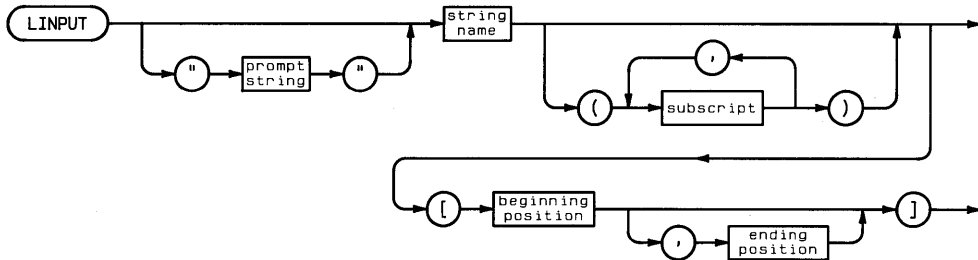
Related Keywords

PEN

LINPUT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LINPUT statement accepts alphanumeric input from the keyboard, interprets the input as a character string, and assigns the character string to the specified string variable.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|--|
| prompt string | literal composed of characters from the keyboard | — |
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array element | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530; maximum of two allowed |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
LINPUT "Enter your data", A$  
LINPUT Variable$
```

Description

When LINPUT is executed, a prompt appears on the current line of the alphanumeric display and remains there until the LINPUT item is satisfied. If no prompt is specified, the default prompt ? is used. Using a null string for the prompt string suppresses the default prompt.

The LINPUT statement allows commas, quotation marks, and leading and trailing blanks in the character string assigned to the string variable. Unlike the INPUT statement, multiple inputs and variable assignments are not allowed.

Pressing terminates data input. If no characters are entered, the null string is assigned to the string variable.

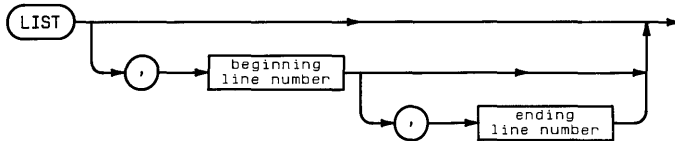
Event-initiated branching (ON KEY#, ON ERROR, ON KYBD, ON TIMEOUT, ON TIMER#) is disabled while LINPUT is being executed.

Related Keywords

INPUT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The LIST statement lists the current program or subprogram in system memory on the alpha display.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| beginning line number | integer constant | 1 through 65 535 |
| ending line number | integer constant | 1 through 65 535 |

Examples

```
LIST  
LIST 40,40
```

Description

The beginning line number and ending line number specify the portion of the program to be listed. If no ending line number is specified, listing begins at the beginning line number and fills the display.

When both parameters are omitted, the listing fills the screen. Listing begins at the first line of the program except in the following cases:

- When program execution has been halted by a program error, by execution of PAUSE, or by pausing the program from the keyboard, listing begins at the line at which execution halted.
- Executing LIST repeatedly displays successive segments of the program.

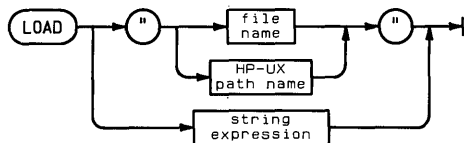
Related Keywords

PLIST

LOAD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The **LOAD** command retrieves the specified **BASIC/PROG** file and loads the program into system memory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
LOAD "Filename"
LOAD "/vol1/filename"
LOAD "/Directory1/Directory2/filename"
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the **LOAD** operation uses the current working directory.

LOAD scratches any **BASIC** programs, subprograms, and variable assignments in memory.

LOAD cannot be used to load subprograms. **FINDPROG** retrieves subprograms and makes them available for editing.

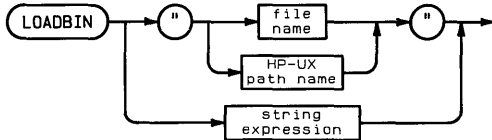
Related Keywords

FINDPROG, **MASS STORAGE IS**, **STORE**

LOADBIN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **LOADBIN** statement retrieves the specified binary file, enters it into BASIC memory, and makes all the binary program entry points available to **CALLBIN**.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
LOADBIN "Gdraw"  
LOADBIN "mylogon/gdraw"  
LOADBIN FILE$
```

Description

Linking of binaries to BASIC must be done outside the BASIC environment **before** LOADBIN is executed. You must also make sure that all external references in the binary have been resolved. The `-r` and `-d` flags for HP-UX link edit command (`ld`) must be used for the linking procedure. Three scripts are supplied with the BASIC system for compiling and linking binaries. Their default location is in the `/usr/bin` directory.

- `makebin_c`—used for compiling and linking C binaries.
- `makebin_p`—used for compiling and linking Pascal binaries.
- `makebin_f`—used for compiling and linking Fortran binaries.

LOADBIN loads the binary program without scratching BASIC memory. If duplicate entry point names are loaded, the first entry point loaded into memory is the one that will be used by CALLBIN.

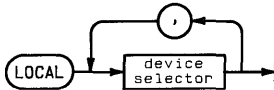
Related Keywords

CALLBIN, SCRATCHBIN

LOCAL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LOCAL statement returns one or more an instruments to local control after they have been placed under remote control by the REMOTE statement.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |

Examples

LOCAL 703,706
LOCAL 7

Description

Interface-dependent action:

- HP-IB:

The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can no primary address in the special (device) file’s minor number. See **ASSIGN** for further information.

If the computer is System Controller and the device selector contains no primary addressing, Remote Enable (REN) is set false.

If the computer is Active Controller and the device selector is contains primary addressing, the specified device(s) are addressed, and the Go To Local (GTL) message is sent. ATN is left true.

If two or more device selectors are specified, each must contain a primary address. In addition, the devices must all be on the same interface.

If the device is in remote with local lockout set, the device must receive GTL or have REN set false to be returned to local control.

- GPIO: Error.

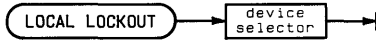
Related Keywords

LOCAL LOCKOUT, REMOTE

LOCAL LOCKOUT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF . . . THEN Yes

The LOCAL LOCKOUT statement sends the Local Lockout message (LLO), which prevents an operator from placing the specified device(s) under manual (local) control.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |

Examples

LOCAL LOCKOUT Isc

LOCAL LOCKOUT 7

Description

The computer must be active controller. The LLO message is received by all devices on the interface. If a device is in the LOCAL state when LLO is sent, the message does not take affect until the device receives a Remote message and becomes addressed to listen.

Interface-dependent action:

- HP-IB: ATN is left true. Local Lockout remains in effect until the Remote Enable (REN) line is set false.
- GPIO: Error.

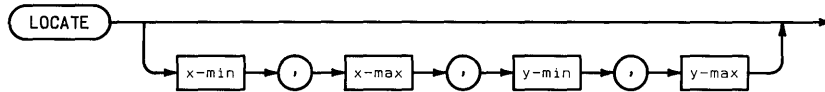
Related Keywords

LOCAL, REMOTE

LOCATE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LOCATE statement specifies plotting boundaries in graphics units (GU's).



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------|---|-------|
| x-min | numeric expression, interpreted as GU's | — |
| x-max | numeric expression, interpreted as GU's | — |
| y-min | numeric expression, interpreted as GU's | — |
| y-max | numeric expression, interpreted as GU's | — |

Examples

```

LOCATE 20,60,50,100
LOCATE 20,20+X,50,50+Y
  
```

Description

The **LOCATE** parameters define the plotting boundaries in GU's. These boundaries replace any previously defined plotting boundaries. When the system is in UU's mode, no lines can be drawn beyond the plotting boundaries. However, labels can be drawn outside the plotting area and within the graphics limits.

When **LOCATE** is executed prior to **SCALE**, **MSCALE**, or **SHOW**, the user units are mapped onto the **LOCATE**-defined plotting area. If a **CLIP** statement is executed after **LOCATE**, the **CLIP** boundaries replace the **LOCATE** boundaries.

The **LOCATE** plotting boundaries are canceled when **LIMIT**, **PLOTTER IS**, or **UNCLIP** are executed. The **SETGU** statement deactivates the plotting boundaries; they are restored by executing **SETUU**.

When **LOCATE** is executed without parameters, program execution halts until plotting boundaries (two diagonal points) are entered from the plotting device.

The order of **LOCATE** parameters can be changed to produce reflected graphics output, if followed by some scaling operation (such as **SCALE**). See **LIMIT** for further information.

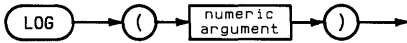
Related Keywords

CLIP, **LIMIT**, **LOCATE**, **PLOTTER IS**, **SETGU**, **SETUU**, **UNCLIP**

LOG

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LOG numeric function returns the natural (base e) logarithm of the argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | >0 |

Examples

```
T=1/K*LOG(N1/N2)  
IF LOG(A)<=2 THEN 900
```

Related Keywords

EXP, LGT

LORG

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The LORG (*label origin*) statement specifies the position of labels relative to the current pen position.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------------|---|-------------|
| label position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=1) | 1 through 9 |

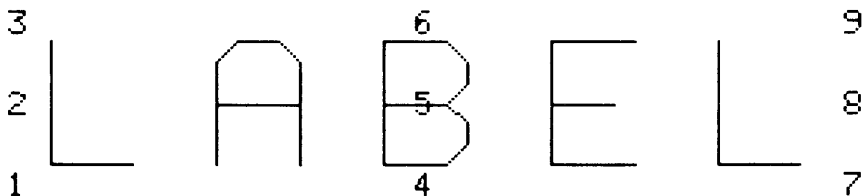
Examples

LORG 5
LORG X

Description

Label positions outside the range 1 through 9 are interpreted as LORG 1.

The following illustration shows the relationship between the label and the logical pen position. The numbers show the logical pen position before the label is drawn using the various label position numbers.



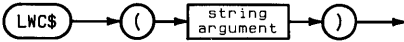
Related Keywords

LABEL, LDIR

LWC\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The LWC\$ function returns a string formed by replacing all uppercase letters in the argument with lowercase letters.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |

Examples

```
DISP LWC$("QWERTY")  
IF LWC$(A$)="y" THEN GOSUB Positive
```

Description

The LWC\$ function affects only the letters A through Z (characters with ASCII code 65 through 90).

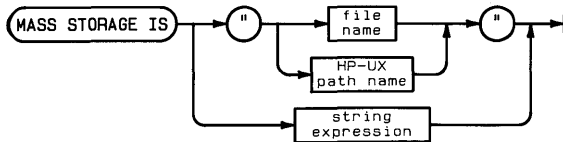
Related Keywords

UPC\$

MASS STORAGE IS

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The MASS STORAGE IS statement designates the specified directory file as the current working directory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a directory file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name of a directory file (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name of a directory file | — |

Examples

MASS STORAGE IS "textfiles"
 MASS STORAGE IS "/vol1/dir2/dir3"

Description

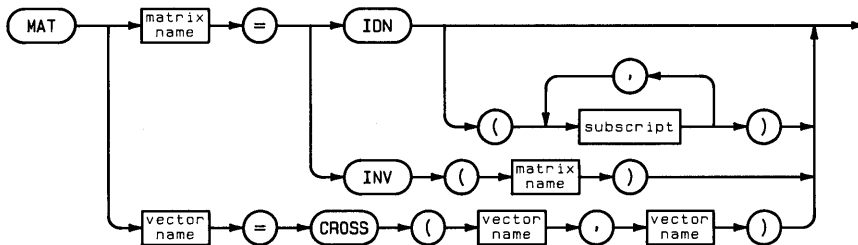
The specified file must be a directory file. Once a directory file has been designated the current working directory, files in that directory can be accessed by file name alone.

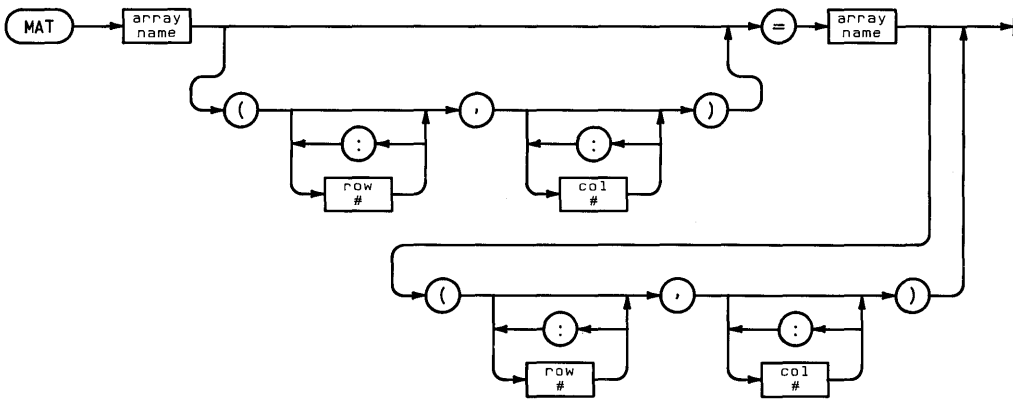
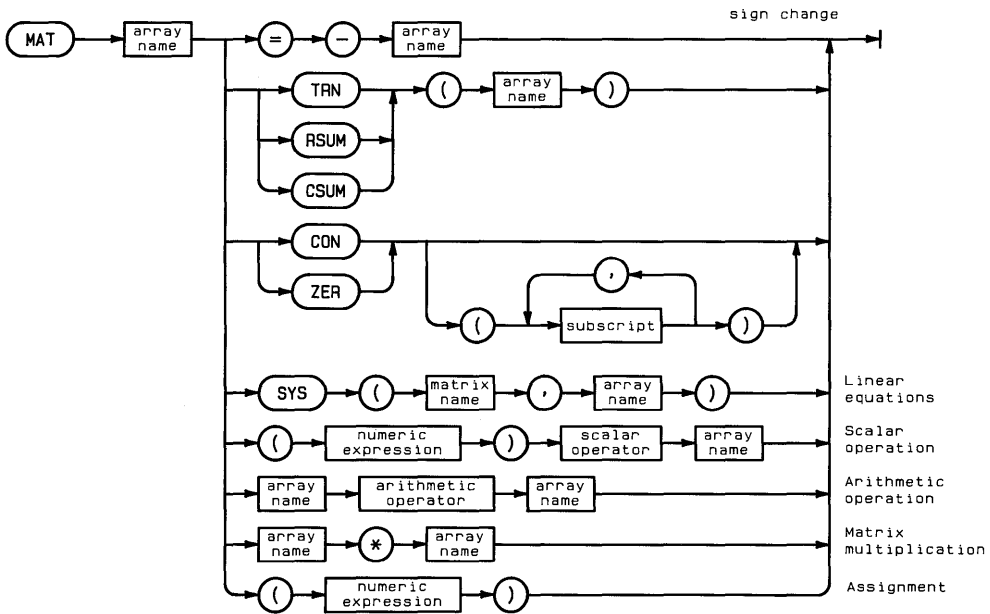
MAT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF... THEN | Yes |

The **MAT** statement performs a number of operations on arrays. The statement can be constructed to perform arithmetic and scalar operations, matrix multiplication, and to initialize arrays to constant values. Through the use of secondary keywords, the statement performs a variety of special vector and matrix operations.

| Item | Description | Range |
|---------------------|---|---------------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |
| vector name | name of a one-dimensional array | any valid name |
| matrix name | name of a two-dimensional array | any valid name |
| scalar operator | operator used in scalar arithmetic with an array | + - * / |
| arithmetic operator | operator used in arithmetic operations involving two arrays | + - . / |
| numeric expression | (see glossary) | — |
| row # | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | valid row number |
| col # | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | valid column number |





Examples

| | |
|--|---|
| <code>MAT NegArray=-PosArray</code> | Sign change. |
| <code>MAT A=(B)</code> | Arithmetic assignment. |
| <code>MAT A=CSUM(Array)</code> | Sum of columns. |
| <code>MAT A=SYS(Matrix,Array)</code> | System of linear equations. |
| <code>MAT A=INV(M)*C</code> | Inverse; matrix multiplication. |
| <code>MAT Q=(2*X)/Array</code> | Scalar operation. |
| <code>MAT Q=Array1.Array2</code> | Arithmetic operation. |
| <code>MAT B=ZER(3,3)</code> | Initializing an array (redimensioning, if necessary). |
| <code>MAT A=Array</code> | Copying an entire array. |
| <code>MAT A(3:5,2:7)=Array(1:3,1:6)</code> | Copying a portion of an array. |
| <code>MAT Vector=CROSS(Vector1,Vector2)</code> | Cross product. |

Description

The MAT statement allows you to:

- Change the sign of every element in an array.
- Calculate the Inverse (INV), and Transpose (TRN) of a matrix.
- Produce an identity matrix (IDN).
- Calculate the cross product (vector product) of two, 3-element vectors (CROSS).
- Calculate the sum of the rows (RSUM) and the sum of the columns (CSUM) of an array.
- Solve a system of n linear equations with n unknowns (SYS).
- Assign the value 1 (CON) or zero (ZER) to all the elements of an array.
- Add, subtract, multiply, and divide a numeric expression and an array (scalar operation).
- Add, subtract, multiply, and divide the elements of two arrays (arithmetic operation).
- Perform matrix multiplication between two arrays.
- Copy all or a portion of an array into all or a portion of another array.

Identity (IDN)

The secondary keyword `IDN` produces an identity matrix by assigning the value 1 to all diagonal elements (elements for which the row subscript equals the column subscript). If the matrix is not a square matrix before execution of the `MAT = IDN` statement, the matrix must be redimensioned within the statement by specifying redimension subscripts.

Inverse (INV)

The secondary keyword `INV` calculates the inverse of a square matrix. (A matrix multiplied by its inverse produces an identity matrix.) When the determinant of a matrix equals 0, the inverse cannot be calculated.

If the result matrix is not the same size and shape as the operand matrix, the system attempts to redimension it. An error is returned if the result array is not large enough to be properly redimensioned.

Transpose (TRN)

The secondary keyword `TRN` produces the transpose of a array by exchanging the rows and columns of the operand array. The transpose of an n-by-m array is an m-by-n array; each element is defined by interchanging the subscripts.

The result array must be dimensioned to be at least as large as the current size of the operand array. If necessary, the system redimensions the result array to the proper shape.

Cross Product (CROSS)

The secondary keyword `CROSS` calculates the cross product (vector product) of two, 3-element vectors. The two operand arrays and the result array must be vectors.

Summing Rows and Columns (RSUM and CSUM)

The secondary keyword `RSUM` computes the sum of each row of the operand array and assigns those values to the elements of a one-column vector. If the result array is a vector, it is redimensioned, if necessary, to have as many elements as the number of rows in the operand array. If the result array is a matrix, it is first redimensioned to have one column and as many rows as the operand array.

The secondary keyword `CSUM` computes the sum of each column of the operand array and assigns those values to the elements of a one-row vector. As with `RSUM` the result array is redimensioned, if necessary, to a vector of the proper size.

Scalar Operations

A scalar operation statement performs an arithmetic operation between a numeric expression and each element of the operand array. Array elements can be added to (+), subtracted from (-), multiplied by (*), and divided into (/) a specified numeric value.

A scalar operation can also be used to change the sign of every element in an array. For example,

```
MAT B = -A
```

assigns values to the elements of array B by changing the sign of every element in array A.

Arithmetic Operations Between Arrays

An arithmetic operation statement performs addition (+), subtraction (-), multiplication (.), or division (/) between corresponding elements of two arrays.

Matrix Multiplication

If A and B are the two operand arrays and C is the result array, matrix multiplication is defined by the equation:

$$C_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}b_{kj}$$

where n is the number of elements in a column in array A.

Matrix multiplication follows these general rules:

- The result array has the same number of rows as the first operand array and the same number of columns as the second operand array.
- Matrix multiplication is legal only if the column size of the first operand array equals the row size of the second operand array.
- The system allows multiplication of a row vector and a column vector. However, two row vectors or two column vectors are not allowed.

Arithmetic Assignment

An arithmetic assignment evaluates the numeric expression enclosed in parentheses and assigns that value to every element of the specified array.

Copying Arrays

An array copy statement copies all or a portion of an operand array to all or a portion of a result array.

The following rules apply to copying an entire array to another entire array:

- If both arrays are matrices, the result array is first redimensioned to have the same number of rows and columns as the operand matrix.
- If the result array is a vector, the operand array must be a vector, a one-column matrix, or a one-row matrix. The result vector is first redimensioned to have the same number of elements as the operand array.
- If the result array is a matrix and the operand array is a vector, the result matrix is first redimensioned to have one column and as many rows as the number of elements in the operand vector.

The following rules apply to copying values from and/or into a portion of an array (subarray):

- If all elements of the operand array are to be copied, do not specify row or column numbers after the operand array name. If all elements of the result array are to be assigned values, do not specify the row or column numbers after the result array name. The values of array elements are transferred in order from left to right along each row, and from top row to bottom row.
- If no row or column numbers are specified after the result array, the result array is redimensioned before the values are assigned. If row or column numbers are specified after the result array, values are assigned to the specified elements, but no redimensioning occurs.
- If an array is a vector, specify only the row number.
- If an entire row is to be copied or assigned values, the column numbers may be omitted; however, a comma must be placed after the row number. If an entire column is to be copied or assigned values, the row numbers may be omitted; however, a comma must be placed before the column number. For example, `MAT B(,4)=MAT A` copies all the elements in vector A into column 4 of array B.
- If only one row or column is to be copied, specify the row or column number.
- If more than one row or column are copied, specify the beginning and ending row or column number, separated by a colon. For example, `MAT B(3,1:4)=MAT A(2:5,2)` copies elements from column 2, rows 2 through 5 of array A into row three, columns 1 through 4 of array B. If the operand and result arrays are both matrices, the number of rows (and columns) specified after the result array must equal the number of rows (and columns) copied from the operand array.

A column from an operand *matrix* cannot be copied into a row of a result array using one statement. Conversely, a row from an operand matrix cannot be copied into a column of the result array using one statement. In both cases, values must first be copied to an intermediate vector.

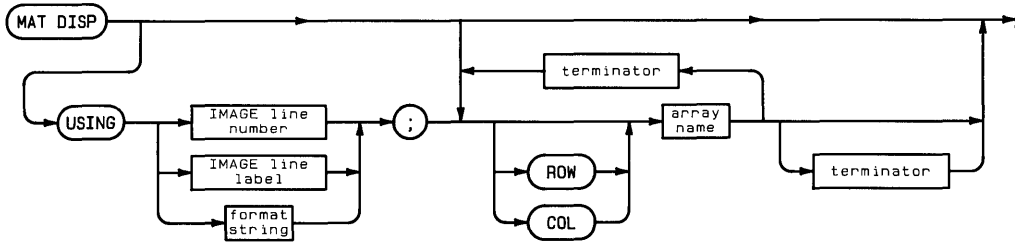
Related Keywords

REDIM

MAT DISP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The MAT DISP statement displays the specified array(s).



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------|
| array name | name of a numeric array | any valid variable name |
| IMAGE line number | integer constant identifying an IMAGE statement | 1 through 65,535 |
| IMAGE line label | name identifying an IMAGE statement | any valid line name |
| format string | string expression consisting of one or more field specifiers (see IMAGE statement for syntax) | — |
| terminator | comma, semicolon, or slash | — |

Examples

```

MAT DISP A
MAT DISP ROW A$; COL B/
MAT DISP USING 200; COL Array1
  
```

Description

`MAT DISP` provides two forms of output: simple (without `USING`) and formatted (with `USING`).

The optional keywords `ROW` and `COL` specify the arrangement of the displayed array elements. Specifying `ROW` causes elements to be displayed by rows. Each row begins on a new line, and the elements in each row are displayed in order from the first column to the last column. Specifying `COL` causes elements to be displayed by columns. Each column begins on a new line, and the elements of a column are displayed in order from the top row to the bottom. The default arrangement is `ROW`. More than one line may be required to display a row or column.

Simple `MAT DISP` (without `USING`)

A terminator is placed after the array name to specify the horizontal spacing between elements. A final terminator after the last array name in the statement specifies spacing for that array.

Unlike the `DISP` statement, the end-of-line sequence is not suppressed.

`MAT DISP` Terminators

| Terminator | Spacing Between Elements |
|------------|---|
| ; | Close spacing; elements are separated by two spaces. A minus sign occupies one space. |
| , | Wide spacing; elements are left-justified in 21-column fields. |
| / | One element per line. |

Formatted `MAT DISP` (with `USING`)

`MAT DISP USING` uses a format string contained in the statement itself, or in a referenced `IMAGE` statement, to define the format of the output. The format string, consisting of one or more field specifiers separated by delimiters, is used from left to right. Elements are paired with their corresponding field specifiers. If the format string is exhausted before all the display items have been processed, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored. If a field is larger than a number, the number is right-justified in the field. A warning is issued if an element is larger than the field. Numbers are rounded to the number of decimal places indicated by the field specifier.

The comma, semicolon, and slash terminators can be used interchangeably. Spacing is controlled entirely by the format string. A final terminator does not suppress the end-of-line sequence.

Refer to `IMAGE` for the syntax of the format string.

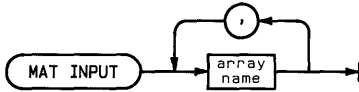
Related Keywords

`IMAGE`, `MAT PRINT`

MAT INPUT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The MAT INPUT statement inputs values into the specified array(s).



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| array name | name of a numeric array | any valid variable name |

Examples

```
MAT INPUT B
MAT INPUT NumericArray, StringArray
```

Description

When MAT INPUT is executed, the program prompts for elements of the first specified array by displaying the variable name of the first element for example, `Array(0,0)`. One or more values, separated by commas, can be entered at a time. Values are assigned to array elements from left to right along a row, from top row to bottom. When one or more values have been entered, MAT INPUT prompts for the next element to be assigned. Input into the array continues until all the elements have been assigned values. If an array becomes full in the middle of an input line, the remaining elements on the line are ignored.

If a second array is specified, input into it starts at the next input line after the first array is full.

Input continues until all the specified arrays are full.

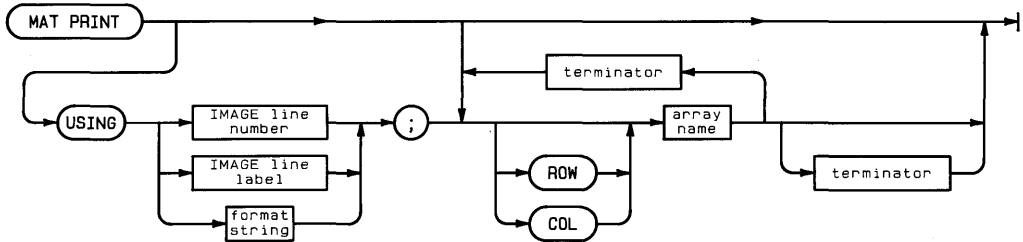
Related Keywords

MAT READ

MAT PRINT

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The MAT PRINT statement outputs the specified array(s) to the PRINTER IS device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------|
| array name | name of a numeric array | any valid variable name |
| IMAGE line number | integer constant identifying an IMAGE statement | 1 through 65,535 |
| IMAGE line label | name identifying an IMAGE statement | any valid line name |
| format string | string expression consisting of one or more field specifiers (see IMAGE statement for syntax) | — |
| terminator | comma, semicolon, or slash | — |

Examples

```

MAT PRINT A
MAT PRINT ROW A; COL B/
MAT PRINT USING 200; COL Array1
  
```

Description

`MAT PRINT` provides two forms of output: simple (without `USING`) and formatted (with `USING`).

The optional keywords `ROW` and `COL` specify the arrangement of the printed array elements. Specifying `ROW` causes elements to be printed by rows. Each row begins on a new line, and the elements in each row are printed in order from the first column to the last column. Specifying `COL` causes elements to be printed by columns. Each column begins on a new line, and the elements of a column are printed in order from the top row to the bottom. The default arrangement is `ROW`. More than one line may be required to print a row or column.

Simple `MAT PRINT` (without `USING`)

A terminator is placed after the array name to specify the horizontal spacing between elements. A final terminator after the last array name in the `MAT PRINT` list specifies spacing for that array. Unlike the `PRINT` statement, the end-of-line sequence is not suppressed.

`MAT PRINT` Terminators

| Terminator | Spacing Between Elements |
|------------|--|
| ; | Close spacing; elements are separated by two spaces. A minus sign occupies one space. |
| , | Wide spacing; elements are left-justified in 21-column fields. |
| / | One element per line. |

Formatted `MAT PRINT` (with `USING`)

`MAT PRINT USING` uses a format string contained in the statement itself, or in a referenced `IMAGE` statement, to define the format of the output. The format string, consisting of one or more field specifiers separated by delimiters, is used from left to right. Elements are paired with their corresponding field specifiers. If the format string is exhausted before all the print items have been processed, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored. If a field is larger than a number, the number is right-justified in the field. A warning is issued if an element is larger than the field. Numbers are rounded to the number of decimal places indicated by the field specifier.

The comma, semicolon, and slash terminators can be used interchangeably. Spacing is controlled entirely by the format string. A final terminator has no effect on the output.

Refer to `IMAGE` for the syntax of the format string.

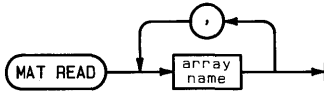
Related Keywords

`DISP`, `IMAGE`, `MAT`, `DISP`

MAT READ

Keyboard Executable No
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The MAT READ statement reads values from DATA statements and assigns them to array elements.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| array name | name of a numeric array | any valid name |

Examples

```
MAT READ NumericArray  
MAT READ A, B
```

Description

The values are read from DATA statements and assigned to array elements from left to right along a row, from top row to bottom. Arrays are filled in the order in which they are listed. If there are not enough data elements to satisfy MAT READ the program returns an error and program execution halts.

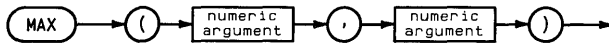
Related Keywords

MAT, INPUT

MAX

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The MAX function compares two numeric arguments and returns the larger of the two values.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

Y=MAX(10,X)

Counter=IP(MAX(I,J))

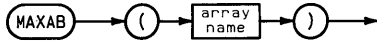
Related Keywords

MIN

MAXAB

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The MAXAB function computes the absolute value of each element in the specified array and returns the largest value.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |

Examples

```
DISP MAXAB(Array1)  
IF MAXAB(Array1)=1 THEN 500
```

Related Keywords

AMAX, AMAXCOL, AMAXROW, MAXABCOL, MAXABROW

MAXABCOL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The MAXABCOL function returns the column number of the element whose absolute value was returned by the most recently executed MAXAB function.



Examples

YSubscript=MAXABCOL
A(3,MAXABCOL)=12

Description

If two or more elements in different columns have the largest absolute value, the lowest column number is returned.

Related Keywords

AMAXCOL, MAXAB, MAXABROW

MAXABROW

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **MAXABROW** function returns the row number of the element whose absolute value was returned by the most recently executed **MAXAB** function.

MAXABROW →

Examples

```
XSubscript=MAXABROW  
MAT C=Array2(1:MAXABROW,4)
```

Description

If two or more elements in different rows have the largest absolute value, the lowest row number is returned.

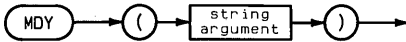
Related Keywords

AMAXCOL, MAXAB, MAXABCOL

MDY

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF... THEN | Yes |

The MDY function converts a string expression in the form MM/DD/YYYY to the equivalent Julian Day number.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| string argument | string expression in the form "MM/DD/YYYY" | "10/15/1582" through "11/25/4046" |

Examples

```
DISP MDY("04/20/1984")-MDY("10/03/1983")
IF MDY(Day$)<2446160 THEN 2000
```

Description

The allowable parameters correspond to Julian Day numbers 2 299 161 through 3 199 160.

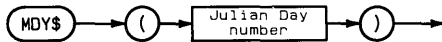
Related Keywords

DATE, DATE\$, MDY\$

MDY\$

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The MDY\$ function interprets a numeric expression as the Julian Day number and converts it to a string expression in the form MM/DD/YYYY.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Julian Day number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer, interpreted as the Julian Day number | 2 299 161 through 3 199 160 |

Examples

```
DISP MDY$(3000000)  
Day$=MDY$(X)
```

Description

The allowable parameters correspond to October 15, 1582 through November 25, 4046.

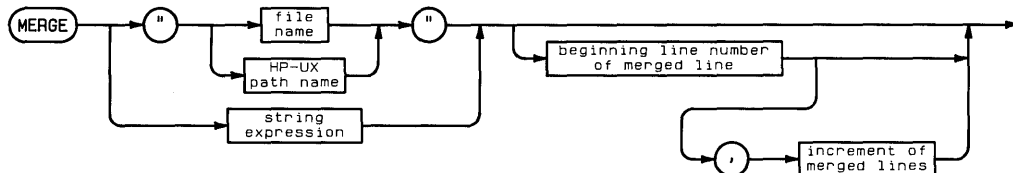
Related Keywords

DATE, DATE\$, MDY

MERGE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The MERGE command merges a program or subprogram retrieved from mass storage with the current program or subprogram in system memory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| file name | literal; name of a BASIC/PROG or BASIC/SUBP file | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |
| beginning line number of merged lines | integer constant identifying a program line (default=last line number of current program+10) | 1 through 65,535 |
| increment of merged lines | integer constant (default=10) | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

```
MERGE "Traffic"  
MERGE "ER"200,5
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the MERGE operation uses the current working directory. The current working directory is selected by the MASS STORAGE IS statement.

MERGE retrieves the specified BASIC/PROG or BASIC/SUBP file from mass storage, renumbers the retrieved program lines, and adds them to the current (sub)program in system memory. The merged program is renumbered according to the beginning line number of merged lines and the increment of merged lines specified in the MERGE command. If the optional parameters are omitted, the beginning line number of merged lines is obtained by incrementing the last line number in system memory by 10.

When programs are merged using the optional parameters, any merged lines renumbered to the same line numbers as lines currently in memory overwrite those lines.

The message ...end of merge is displayed at the conclusion of the merge operation.

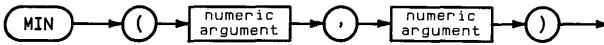
Related Keywords

FINDPROG, REN

MIN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The MIN function compares two numeric arguments and returns the smaller of the two values.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

Y=MIN(10,X)

Counter=IP(MIN(I,J))

Related Keywords

MAX

MOD

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The MOD operator returns the remainder resulting from a division operation.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------|--------------------|-------|
| dividend | numeric expression | — |
| divisor | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
C=8 MOD 3  
IF Hours MOD Trip<3 THEN 300
```

Description

The MOD operation is defined by the equation:

$$A \text{ MOD } B = A - B * \text{INT}(A/B)$$

where $\text{INT}(A/B)$ is the greatest integer less than or equal to A/B . By definition, $A \text{ MOD } 0$ is A .

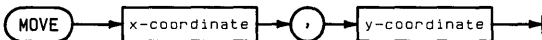
Related Keywords

DIV

MOVE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **MOVE** statement lifts the pen and moves it to the specified x,y coordinate. The pen remains up until it is lowered by another statement.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--|-------|
| x-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| y-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |

Examples

```
MOVE 10,10  
MOVE XPosition,XPosition*5
```

Description

MOVE uses the current units mode (UU's or GU's). The physical pen cannot move beyond the plotting boundaries (equivalent to the graphics limits in GU's mode). However, the logical pen can be moved beyond the plotting boundaries or graphics limits.

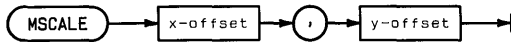
Related Keywords

IMOVE, PLOT

MSCALE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **MSCALE** statement specifies millimeter user units scaling of the plotting area and the location of the origin.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------|--|-------|
| x-offset | numeric expression, interpreted as millimeters | — |
| y-offset | numeric expression, interpreted as millimeters | — |

Examples

```
MSCALE 10,5  
MSCALE A*10,A
```

Description

The **MSCALE** parameters specify, in millimeters¹, the offset of the origin from the lower-left corner of the plotting area. **MSCALE** scales the current plotting area, which is a function of the units mode (GU's or UU's) and the previously executed statements.

In GU's mode, **MSCALE** scales the entire graphics area previously specified by **PLOTTER IS** or **LIMIT**).

In UU's mode, **MSCALE** scales the plotting area previously specified by **LOCATE**. If **LOCATE** has not been executed, the entire graphics area is scaled.

After executing **MSCALE** the system is set to UU's mode.

Related Keywords

LIMIT, LOCATE, PLOTTER IS, SCALE, SHOW

¹ Accuracy of the millimetre scale is hardware-dependent.

Notes

NEXT

See FOR...NEXT.



NORMAL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The NORMAL statement cancels *print-all* mode and program tracing (TRACE, TRACE VAR, and TRACE ALL) operations.



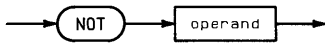
Related Keywords

AUTO, PRINTALL, TRACE

NOT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The NOT operator returns 1 if its operand equals 0. Otherwise, 0 is returned.



Description

A non-zero expression (positive or negative) is interpreted as a logical 1; a zero is interpreted as a logical 0. The following table describes the results of performing a NOT operation.

Logical NOT

| A | NOT A |
|----------|-------|
| 0 | 1 |
| non-zero | 0 |

Related Keywords

AND, EXOR, OR

NPAR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF... THEN | Yes |

The NPAR function returns the number of parameters passed to a subprogram by a CALL statement.



Examples

```
ON NPAR GOTO 200,300,400  
IF NPAR=2 THEN SUBEXIT
```

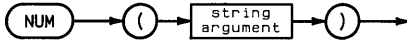
Related Keywords

CALL, SUB

NUM

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The NUM numeric function returns the decimal value of the first character in the string argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |

Examples

```
X=NUM(String$(A,A))  
IF NUM(A$)=32 THEN Skip
```

Description

The value returned is in the range 0 through 255. When the argument is the null string, NUM returns 0.

Related Keywords

CHR\$

Notes

OFF CURSOR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **OFF CURSOR**¹ statement removes the cursor from the alpha display. The cursor position remains unchanged. **OFF CURSOR** also turns off the graphics cursor, if it is currently displayed².



Related Keywords

ON CURSOR

¹ Implementation of **OFF CURSOR** is terminal-dependent.

² Only on display devices that support block read/write operations.

OFF ERROR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **OFF ERROR** statement cancels event-initiated branching previously enabled by a **ON ERROR** statement. Further errors halt program execution.



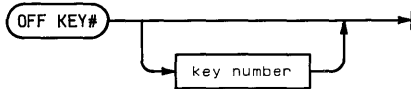
Related Keywords

ON ERROR

OFF KEY#

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The OFF KEY# statement cancels end-of-line branching previously enabled by an ON KEY# statement.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|---|
| key number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | must correspond to a special function key |

Examples

OFF KEY# 1
OFF KEY# N

Description

If the key number is omitted, all current run-time ON KEY# assignments are canceled.

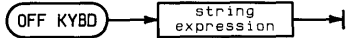
Related Keywords

ON KEY#

OFF KYBD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **OFF KYBD** statement cancels end-of-line branching previously enabled by an **ON KYBD** statement.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|-------|
| string expression | characters and/or escape sequences representing the keys for which branching is disabled. | — |

Examples

```
OFF KYBD "1234567890"  
OFF KYBD A$ & "##"
```

Description

When the optional parameter is omitted, **OFF KYBD** cancels branching for all previously enabled keys.

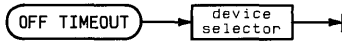
Related Keywords

OFF KEY#, **ON KYBD**

OFF TIMEOUT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The OFF TIMEOUT statement cancels end-of-line branching for timeouts on the specified interface.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |

Examples

```
OFF TIMEOUT DeviceSelector  
OFF TIMEOUT 7
```

Description

When a timeout (specified by SET TIMEOUT) occurs after OFF TIMEOUT has been executed, the system retains a pending end-of-line branch. The branch is taken immediately when ON TIMEOUT is executed for that interface.

Related Keywords

ON TIMEOUT

OFF TIMER#

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The OFF TIMER# statement cancels end-of-line branching for the specified timer.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| timer number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 3 |

Examples

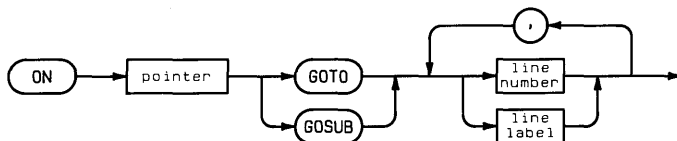
```
OFF TIMER# 3  
OFF TIMER# TimerNumber
```

Related Keywords

ON TIMER#

Keyboard Executable No
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The ON...GOTO/GOSUB statements transfer program execution to one of the specified program lines based on the value of a pointer.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|---------------------|
| pointer | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | (see "Description") |
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
250 ON P(1) GOTO 200, 400,640
740 ON .5*Pointer1 GOSUB Subroutine1,Subroutine2
612 IF Y THEN ON Y GOTO 330, Odd, 700
```

Description

When the pointer evaluates to 1, execution is transferred to the first line number or line label. When the pointer evaluates to 2, execution is transferred to the second line number/label, and so on. An error is returned if the pointer evaluates to a number less than 1 or greater than the number of line numbers/labels. In practice, the maximum value of the pointer equals the number of line numbers/labels that can be typed into a program line.

If the GOSUB keyword is used, execution is transferred to the specified subroutine. When the subroutine RETURN statement is executed, execution branches to the statement immediately following ON...GOSUB.

Related Keywords

GOSUB, GOTO, RETURN

ON CURSOR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The `ON CURSOR`¹ statement displays the cursor after it has been previously turned off by the `OFF CURSOR` statement.



Related Keywords

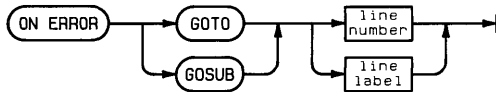
`OFF CURSOR`

¹ Implementation of `ON CURSOR` is terminal-dependent.

ON ERROR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **ON ERROR** statement defines and enables an event-initiated branch to be taken when a run-time error occurs.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
ON ERROR GOSUB 100
ON ERROR GOTO Recovery
```

Description

ON ERROR branching occurs immediately when a run-time error is detected, and has higher priority than any other event-initiated routine. When an **ON ERROR . . . GOSUB** statement is used, the recovery routine **RETURN** statement returns execution to the program line following the one that generated the error. If an error occurs in the middle of a multistatement line, the rest of the line is not executed.

The **ON ERROR** declaration remains active during the recovery routine unless it is disabled by executing **OFF ERROR**. In general, **OFF ERROR** should be executed at the beginning of the recovery routine to prevent an infinite loop between the line containing the error and the beginning of the recovery routine.

ON ERROR branches take precedence over all other end-of-line branches. (Refer to the Branch Precedence Table in the Appendix.)

ON ERROR declarations are local to the program or subprogram in which they are executed.

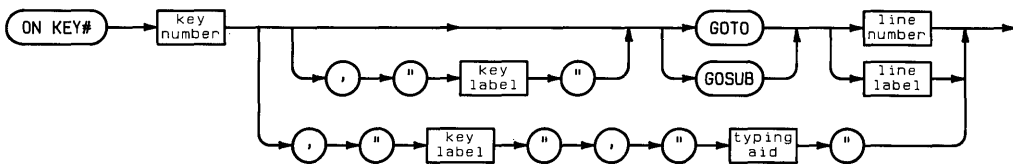
Related Keywords

OFF ERROR

ON KEY#

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ON KEY# statement defines the functions of the user- defined (special function) keys.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|--|--|
| key number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | must correspond to the number of one of the special function key |
| key label | literal or string expression evaluating to displayable characters | 1 through 8 characters |
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |
| typing aid | literal composed of displayable characters and/or control characters | 1 through 32 characters |

Examples

ON KEY# 3, "BREAK" GOSUB Break
 ON KEY# 4, "Path", "dir1/dir2/dir3"

Description

The syntax and function of `ON KEY#` has two forms:

When `ON KEY#` is executed within a program, it defines and enables a branch to be taken when the specified user-defined key is pressed. The optional key label parameter provides for displaying a key label when `KEY LABEL` is executed in the program. When `ON KEY#` is executed from the keyboard, it defines a typing aid for a sequence of characters. Typing aids are in effect whenever a program is not running. The optional key label parameter provides for displaying a key label.

If the the typing aid string consists of a keyboard executable statement or command followed by a carriage return, pressing the key executes the statement or command immediately.

When `ON KEY#` is executed within a program, end-of-line branching is enabled for the specified key. If the `ON KEY#...GOSUB` statement is used, the subroutine `RETURN` statement causes branching to the statement following the one being executed when the key was pressed.

`ON KEY#` end-of-line branching is disabled by executing `OFF KEY#`.

Refer to the Branch Precedence Table on page 4-13 for additional information.

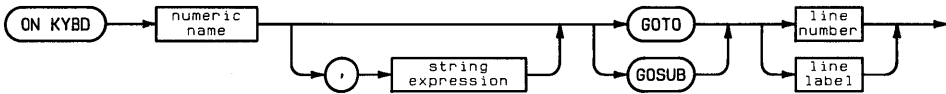
Related Keywords

`ENABLE KBD`, `KEY LABEL`, `OFF KEY#`

ON KYBD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ON KYBD statement defines and enables an event-initiated branch to be taken when the specified key(s) is(are) pressed during program execution.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array element. | — |
| string expression | characters and/or escape sequences representing the keys for which branching is enabled | — |
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
ON KYBD Keys,"1234567890" GOSUB Numberkeys
ON KYBD A1,CHR$(27)&"w" GOTO 130
```

Description

Executing `ON KYBD` enables end-of-line branching to the specified program line when any of the keys listed in the string expression are pressed. Alphanumeric keys are identified in the string expression by their displayable character (for example, `a` and `A` for the unshifted and shifted `[A]` key) or by their numeric key code (for example, `CHR$(65)` for `[A]`). Keys without displayable characters (*special keys*, such as tab, cursor control, and special function keys) must be identified by their escape sequences¹. For example, the following statement enables `ON KYBD` branching for `[A]` and `[←]`, assuming `ESC D` for the `[←]` key:

```
ON KYBD KeyVar, "A"&CHR$(27)&"D" GOTO 100
```

When a keystroke triggers an interrupt that causes branching to the specified program line, the key code of the key pressed is assigned to the numeric variable. That variable assignment remains in effect until the variable is reassigned by an assignment statement or by pressing another key specified in the `ON KYBD` statement. For example, pressing `[A]` assigns the value 65 to variable `KeyVar`.

The most recent `ON KYBD` declaration overrides any previous `ON KYBD` statement. Keys enabled in the previous statement remain active; however, branching will occur to the most recently specified program line, and the variable assignment will be made to the most recently specified variable.

When the optional string expression is omitted, branching remains in effect for all previously specified keys.

When `ON KYBD` branching is enabled for any of the special function keys, it overrides `ON KEY#` branching previously specified for those keys. `ON KYBD` declarations are local to the program or subprogram in which they are enabled.

One or more enabled keys can be disabled by executing `OFF KYBD`.

Related Keywords

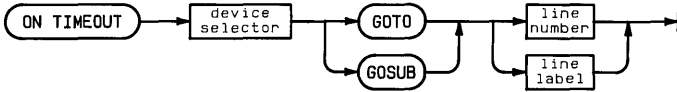
`OFF KYBD`, `ON KEY#`

¹ Escape sequences are machine dependent.

ON TIMEOUT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ON TIMEOUT statement enables end-of-line branching when an interface timeout occurs on the specified interface.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|------------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| line number | integer constant | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
ON TIMEOUT 7 GOTO 300
ON TIMEOUT 1sc GOSUB Recover
```

Description

The amount of time the system will wait for completion of a handshake is set by SET TIMEOUT. If ON TIMEOUT is executed after the SET TIMEOUT limit has been exceeded for that interface, the end-of-line branch is taken immediately.

ON TIMEOUT overrides any previous ON TIMEOUT for the specified interface.

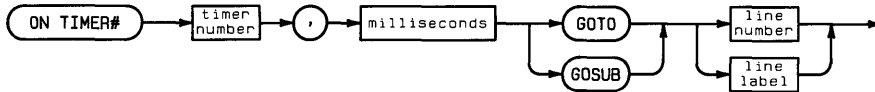
Related Keywords

OFF TIMEOUT, SET TIMEOUT

ON TIMER#

Keyboard Executable No
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The ON TIMER# statement defines an end-of-line branch to be taken when the specified time interval has elapsed.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|---|------------------|
| timer number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 3 |
| milliseconds | numeric expression | ≥ 1 |
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
ON TIMER# 2, 5000 GOTO Service  
ON TIMER# TNumber, TLimit GOSUB 1000
```

Description

When `ON TIMER#` is executed, the specified timer is set to zero and activated. When the specified interval has elapsed¹, the branch is taken at the end of the current program line. After the branch has been taken, the timer is reset to zero and immediately reactivated. If the `ON TIMER# . . . GOSUB` statement is used, the subroutine `RETURN` statement causes branching to the statement following the one being executed when the key was pressed.

`ON TIMER#` branching remains in effect until an `OFF TIMER#` statement is executed for that timer, or until the program chains another program into memory. Timers continue to come due when the program is paused or delayed (by a `WAIT` statement), but the branch is not immediately taken. Pending branches are taken when the program is continued or when the `WAIT` interval has elapsed.

Related Keywords

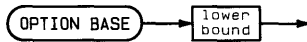
`OFF TIMER#`

¹ The resolution of timers is machine-dependent; the range is from 1 millisecond to 1 second.

OPTION BASE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The `OPTION BASE` statement specifies the lower bound of all arrays in a program.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|------------------------------|--------|
| lower bound | integer constant (default=0) | 0 or 1 |

Examples

`OPTION BASE 1`

Description

An `OPTION BASE` statement can occur only once in a program, and must precede any explicit variable declarations. The option base is the lower bound of all numeric and string arrays in the program. (Upper bounds are declared in the dimensioning statements—`REAL`, `SHORT`, `INTEGER`, and `DIM`.)

The option base declaration is global; the option base is passed to any subprograms called by the program. An error may result if a subprogram attempts to specify another option base.

When a program chains another program, the option base of the two programs must agree.

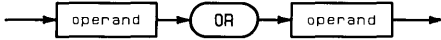
Related Keywords

`DIM`, `INTEGER`, `REAL`, `SHORT`

OR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The OR operator returns a 1 or 0 based on the logical inclusive-OR of the operands.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------|--------------------|-------|
| operand | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
IF A OR B THEN C  
Decision=Yes OR No
```

Description

A non-zero operand (positive or negative) is interpreted as a logical 1; an operand of zero is interpreted as a logical 0. The following table describes the result of performing a logical OR.

Inclusive OR

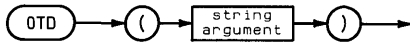
| A | B | A OR B |
|---|---|--------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

Related Keywords

AND, EXOR, NOT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The OTD (*octal-to-decimal*) function interprets the string argument as the octal (base 8) representation of an integer and returns the numeric decimal equivalent.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|---|
| string argument | string expression containing the base 8 representation of an integer | characters must be 0 through 7; cannot exceed the range of integers |

Examples

```
U=OTD("3567")  
IF I=OTD(H$) THEN 45
```

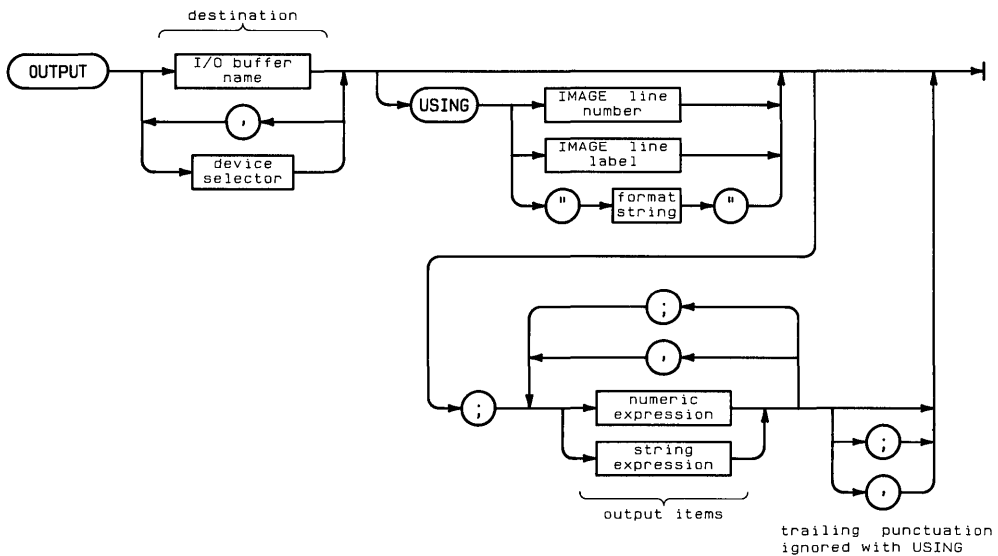
Related Keywords

BTD, DTB\$, DTH\$, DTO\$, HTD

OUTPUT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The OUTPUT statement outputs items to the specified destination.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |
| I/O buffer name | name of a string variable declared as an I/O buffer | — |
| IMAGE line label | name identifying an IMAGE statement | any valid line label |
| IMAGE line number | integer constant identifying an IMAGE statement | 1 through 65,535 |
| format string | string expression consisting of one or more field specifiers (see IMAGE for syntax) | — |
| numeric expression | — | — |
| string expression | — | — |

Examples

```
OUTPUT 701,702;"abcde", D1; Q$  
OUTPUT Buffer$ USING 300;A,A$,B,"Hello"
```

Description

Bytes of numeric or string data are output to the specified device(s) or I/O buffer. If a `CONVERT` operation is enabled for that device or buffer, the conversion is performed immediately before the byte is output.

Simple OUTPUT (without USING)

The simple `OUTPUT` statement (without `USING`) outputs items using two different field widths:

- When items are separated by semicolons, they are output in *narrow* format. Numbers are output in standard number format with a leading blank or minus sign and a trailing space. Strings are output with no leading or trailing blanks.
- When items are separated by commas, they are output in *free field* format, left-justified in 21-column fields. Numbers are output in standard number format with a leading space or minus sign. Trailing spaces are output to fill the unused portion of the field. Strings have no leading spaces; trailing spaces are added to fill the field.

Automatic End-of-Line Sequence

When the output list is exhausted, an end-of-Line (EOL) sequence, ordinarily carriage return/line feed, is sent. The EOL can be suppressed by placing the image specifier `#` at the beginning of the format string in the `OUTPUT USING` or `IMAGE` statement. The EOL sequence is also suppressed by placing a comma or semicolon at the end of the output list in a simple `OUTPUT` statement.

Formatted Output

The `OUTPUT USING` statement uses a format string contained in the statement itself, or in an accompanying `IMAGE` statement, to format the output. The format string, consisting of one or more field specifiers separated by delimiters (, or /), is used from left to right. Output items are paired with their corresponding field specifiers. A field specifier consists of one or more image specifiers. Certain field specifiers do not use a display item (for example, X).

If the format string is exhausted before all the output items have been processed, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored. If a field is larger than the numeric item, the number is right-justified in the field.

A warning is issued if the number is larger than the field, and the number output may be incorrect. (A minus sign requires a digit position if M or S is not included in the field specifier.) Numbers are rounded to the number of decimal places indicated by the field specifier.

A trailing comma or semicolon after the last output item is ignored; trailing punctuation does not suppress the EOL sequence.

Refer to `IMAGE` for the syntax of the format string.

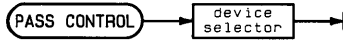
Related Keywords

`CONVERT`, `DISP`, `IMAGE`, `IOBUFFER`, `PRINT`

PASS CONTROL

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **PASS CONTROL** statement passes Active Controller responsibility to the specified device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |

Examples

PASS CONTROL 710
PASS CONTROL 820

Description

Interface-dependent action:

- HP-IB:

Since the device selector in **PASS CONTROL** must contain primary addressing, the node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number. (See **ASSIGN** for further information.)

The specified HP-IB interface sends the specified device’s talk address, followed by the Take Control (TCT) message. The specified device becomes the active controller (the device must have this capability).

- GPIO: Error.

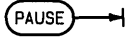
Related Keywords

REQUEST, RESET

PAUSE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF... THEN | Yes |

The PAUSE statement pauses program execution.



Description

When PAUSE is executed, program execution is suspended at the end of the current line. To resume execution, execute CONT.

If a halted program is edited, it must be initialized before execution can continue. To continue an edited program, use RUN, or INIT followed by CONT.

Related Keywords

CONT, INIT, RUN

PAUSING PROGRAMS FROM THE KEYBOARD

To pause a running program at any time, use the *interrupt* signal (rather than the `Break` key). The *interrupt* signal (“SIGINT”) is usually generated by pressing `CTRL C` (it is set up by executing the HP-UX command `stty intr \^c`).

When a program is paused from the keyboard during execution of a multistatement line, the line is completed before the program halts. If the line includes a branching statement, execution halts at the end of the statement to which the program branched.

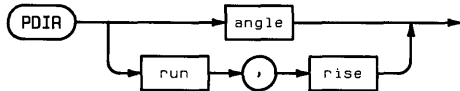
When a graphics program is paused in this way, you must wait for the graphics to complete before proceeding (for example, **do not** turn off the plotter). When performing long graphics operations, such as GRID, you may have to use the *interrupt* signal twice.

If the BASIC system does not respond with `<PAUSE>`, then you can reset the system by issuing a “SIGQUIT” signal (usually `CTRL \`).

PDIR

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **PDIR** (*plot direction*) statement specifies a rotation of coordinates which is applied to incremental plotting (**IPLOT**, **IMOVE**, and **IDRAW**) and relative plotting (**RPLLOT**).



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------|---|-------|
| angle | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode | — |
| run | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current scale units | — |
| rise | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current scale units | — |

Examples

```
PDIR ACS(P(I))  
PDIR 30,30
```

Description

The angle measures the counterclockwise rotation between the horizontal axis and the new x axis. The run and rise parameters determine a vector drawn in the direction of the new x axis.

Axes and labels are not affected by **PDIR**.

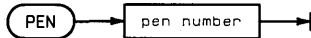
Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD, RAD

PEN

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **PEN** statement selects a pen on the current plotting device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|------------------|
| pen number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | device dependent |

Examples

PEN 1
PEN Color
PEN -1

Description

On a peripheral plotter, no checking is done to verify that the specified pen number exists. **PEN 0** may or may not return the current pen to its stall.

When the display is the plotting device, pen numbers are interpreted as follows (pen numbers effects with plotters are device-dependent):

Monochromatic Pens

| Pen Number | Effect |
|------------|---|
| PEN 1 | white pen—turns pixels on |
| PEN 0 | black pen—turns pixels off |
| PEN -1 | complementing pen—white pixels are changed to black, and black pixels are changed to white (providing the display supports <i>block read/write</i> operations; see ASSIGN in the <i>BASIC Reference Manual</i> for a list of displays with this capability). |

Default Color Pens¹

| Pen Number | Default Color |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| PEN 7 | Magenta |
| PEN 6 | Blue |
| PEN 5 | Cyan |
| PEN 4 | Green |
| PEN 3 | Yellow |
| PEN 2 | Red |
| PEN 1 | White |
| PEN 0 | Black |
| Negative pens ² | Complementing pens |

Related Keywords

CLEAR, GCLEAR

¹ Other displays may have a different or larger set of color pens available. For instance, on a 4-plane color display, you may have up to 16 pens available. Your display's documentation, or the Starbase manuals, should describe the pens available on your display.

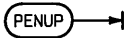
In addition, you can also re-define the default *color map* on some color displays. See "Section 3: Starbase Color Graphics" of the *HP-UX Concepts and Tutorials, Vol. 6: Graphics* manual for details. It is possible to either do this while in the HP-UX system and then enter BASIC, or to do it in a binary program that the BASIC system calls (see one of the "Binaries" chapters for examples of calling a routine written in another language).

² All positive pen numbers write in "dominant" mode—that is, they overwrite any color (or black) that is currently on the screen. "Complementing" pens are also available by using the negative of the pen number. For instance, on the 98700 display, dominant red is **PEN 2** and complementing red is **PEN -2**. The resultant operations for the complementing pens are as follows: for each pixel drawn on the screen, take the bits of the screen pixel (the *destination*) and **exclusive or** them with the bits of the pen color (the *source*); the resultant value is placed into the screen pixel (*destination*).

PENUP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **PENUP** statement lifts the pen on the current plotting device.



Description

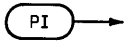
After **PENUP** is executed, no drawing takes place until the pen is dropped manually or by executing a statement that drops the pen:

| | | |
|-------|--------|--------|
| PLOT | IPLLOT | RPLLOT |
| DRAW | IDRAW | LABEL |
| XAXIS | YAXIS | AXES |
| GRID | LGRID | LAXES |

PI

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The PI function returns the value of π with full machine precision.



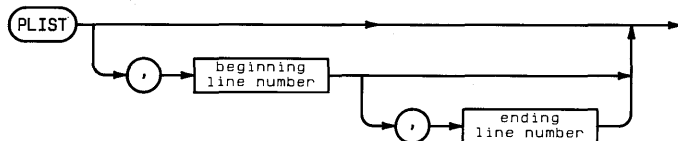
Examples

```
C=2*PI*R  
IF A<2*PI THEN GOSUB 500
```

PLIST

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The PLIST statement lists the current program or subprogram in system memory on the PRINTER IS device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| beginning line number | integer constant | 1 through 65,535 |
| ending line number | integer constant | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

PLIST 100
PLIST 100,200

Description

The beginning line number and ending line number specify the portion of the program to be listed. If no ending line number is specified, listing begins at the beginning line number and continues for the entire (sub)program. When both parameters are omitted, the entire program is listed.

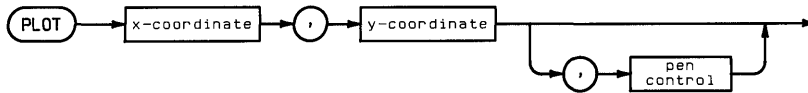
Related Keywords

LIST

PLOT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The PLOT statement moves the pen from the current pen position to the specified x- and y-coordinate position. The optional pen control parameter specifies the up/down status of the pen.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--|-------|
| x-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| y-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| pen control | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=+1; pen lowered after move) | — |

Examples

```

PLOT X,Y,P
PLOT 5,10
  
```

Description

PL0T uses the current units (GU's or UU's) and line type. In UU's mode, lines cannot be drawn outside the plotting boundaries. In GU's mode, the plotting boundaries are equivalent to the graphics limits; therefore, lines can be drawn anywhere within the graphics limits.

In both UU's mode and GU's mode, PL0T can position the logical pen outside the plotting area. However, PL0T cannot position the physical pen outside the plotting boundaries. If none of the line is inside the current plotting area, the physical pen is not moved, but the logical pen position is updated.

The optional pen control parameter specifies the up and down position of the pen as follows:

Pen Control

| Pen Control Parameter | Pen Action |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| positive, even | pen moved and then lifted |
| positive, odd | pen moved and then lowered |
| negative, even | pen lifted and then moved |
| negative, odd | pen lowered and then moved |

If no pen control parameter is specified, the up/down status of the pen before PL0T is executed determines whether the pen is up or down as it moves. If the pen is up, it is lowered when it reaches its new position.

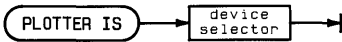
Related Keywords

IPLOT, LINE TYPE, RPL0T

PLOTTER IS

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The PLOTTER IS statement specifies the graphics output and input device(s).



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|---------------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to the nearest integer | 1, and 3 through 10 |

Examples

```
PLOTTER IS 1
PLOTTER IS 5
PLOTTER IS PltDevice
```

Description

PLOTTER IS 1 only works on certain types of displays/terminals where the corresponding device file (in the /dev directory) is named `crt` or `tty`, and the `TERM` environment variable is set to a corresponding Starbase driver type. In all other cases, you must use `ASSIGN` to assign a device selector to a graphics resource before using the device selector in a `PLOTTER IS` statement. (See `ASSIGN`.)

In addition to selecting the plotting device, the `PLOTTER IS` statement:

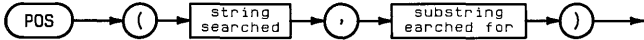
- Reads the graphics limits of the plotting device.
- Activates the graphics default conditions (see **graphics default conditions** in the glossary).

Related Keywords

`ASSIGN`, `LIMIT`

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The POS numeric function returns the position of the first character of a substring within another string.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------|
| string searched | string expression | — |
| substring searched for | string expression | — |

Examples

```
Index=POS(A$,"1")  
DISP String$[POS(String$,"L"),30]
```

Description

If the substring searched for is the null string or is not contained within the string searched, POS returns 0. If the substring searched for occurs in more than one place, only the first occurrence is returned.

PPOLL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The PPOLL numeric function returns the results of a parallel poll operation.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer; must contain HP-IB primary address | 3 through 10 |

Examples

```
ParPol=PPOLL(7)  
IF PPOLL(Isc)=8 THEN GOSUB 300
```

Description

Interface-dependent action:

- HP-IB: The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number, See ASSIGN for further information.

The computer must be active controller. The value returned is a byte representing eight status-bit messages of devices on the interface bus. Each device capable of responding asserts one bit of the response byte.

- GPIO: Error.

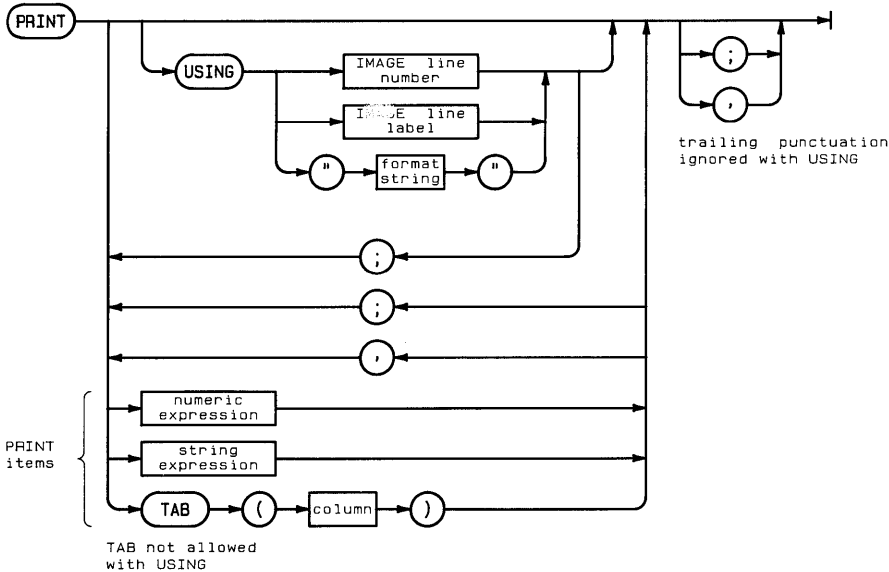
Related Keywords

SPOLL

PRINT

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The PRINT statement outputs the print items to the current PRINTER IS device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| IMAGE line number | integer constant identifying an IMAGE statement | 1 through 65,535 |
| IMAGE line label | name identifying an IMAGE statement | any valid line name |
| format string | string expression containing one or more field specifiers (see IMAGE statement for syntax) | — |
| column | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | negative numbers are interpreted as 1 |
| numeric expression | — | — |
| string expression | — | — |

Examples

```
PRINT Number; Letter$  
PRINT TAB(10);A$,"Results=";Result  
PRINT USING "DC3D.5D,4X,7A";A,"dollars"  
PRINT USING 100; A,B$,C
```

Description

The keyword **USING** provides for specifying the format of output. When **PRINT** is executed without **USING**, a standard format is used.

Simple **PRINT** (Without **USING**)

Simple **PRINT** uses standard number format (see glossary) for numeric items, and displays numeric and string items in either of two field widths:

- When display items are separated by semicolons, they are displayed in *narrow* format with a leading blank or minus sign. Strings are output with no leading or trailing blanks.
- When display items are separated by commas, they are displayed in *wide* format, left-justified in 21-column fields. Items longer than 21 characters occupy more than one field.

When the **TAB** function is included as a print item, the column parameter positions the next character on the print line. Negative column numbers are treated as **TAB(1)**. Column numbers greater than the line length are reduced MOD (line length). When **TAB** is used to control format, display items should be separated by semicolons; using commas causes output to be displayed in wide format.

When the list of print items is exhausted, an end-of-line (EOL) sequence, ordinarily carriage return/line feed, is sent to the printer. The EOL can be suppressed by including a comma or semicolon after the last print item.

Control Characters and Alternate Character Sets

Control characters are included as print items by specifying their ASCII code as argument in the **CHR\$** function or by using the metacharacter ~ followed by the character decimal code.

Formatted Output

The `PRINT USING` statement uses a format string contained in the statement itself or in a referenced `IMAGE` statement to format the output. The format string, consisting of one or more field specifiers separated by delimiters (comma or slash), is used from left to right. Print items are paired with their corresponding field specifiers. Certain field specifiers do not use a print item (for example, X).

If the format string is exhausted before all the print items have been processed, the format string is reused from the beginning. Extra field specifiers are ignored. If a field is larger than the numeric item, the number is right-justified in the field. A warning is issued if the number is larger than the field. (A minus sign requires a digit position if M or S is not included in the field specifier.) Numbers are rounded to the number of decimal places indicated by the field specifier. Standard number format can be chosen by using the image specifier K.

`TAB` cannot be used with `PRINT USING`.

When the list of print items is exhausted, an end-of-line (EOL) sequence, ordinarily carriage return/line feed, is sent to the display. The EOL can be suppressed by placing the image specifier `#` at the beginning of the format string in the `PRINT USING` or `IMAGE` statement. Unlike with simple `PRINT`, a terminating semicolon or comma is ignored and does not suppress the EOL sequence.

Refer to `IMAGE` for the syntax of the format string.

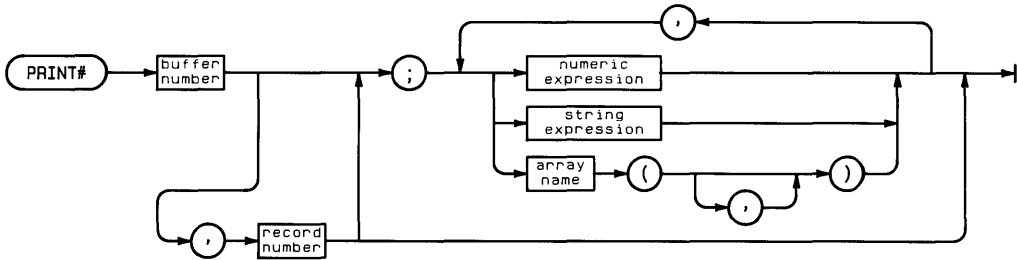
Related Keywords

`DISP`, `IMAGE`, `OUTPUT`

PRINT#

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The PRINT# statement outputs data to an open BASIC/DATA file.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|---|----------------|
| buffer number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 10 |
| record number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |
| numeric expression | (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | (see glossary) | — |
| array name | name of a numeric or string array | any valid name |

Examples

```
PRINT# 1; Variable
PRINT# BufferNumber, record; A(4)*7,B$[7,12]
```

Description

The buffer number must have been previously assigned to the file with an **ASSIGN#** statement. The **ASSIGN#** statement places the file pointer at the beginning of the file.

Serial Access

When the record number is omitted, data is written serially. In serial access, data is written to the file sequentially; items are placed in the next logical record when the current record becomes full.

As each **PRINT#** item is written into the file, the file pointer advances beyond that data. When the entire list of **PRINT#** items has been written, the file pointer remains positioned after the last data item read and an end-of-file (EOF) marker is positioned there. A subsequent **PRINT#** statement continues writing data from that position.

Serial printing continues until all the data is printed, or until the medium is full. The data file is automatically expanded, if necessary, to accommodate all the **PRINT#** items. Serial printing also halts when the file is closed, or when a random access **READ#** or **PRINT#** is executed.

Random Access

When the record number is included, data is written using random access. The record number must not exceed the total number of records in the file.

When the **PRINT#** statement is executed, the file pointer is moved to the beginning of the specified logical record. As an item of data is written into the record, the file pointer advances to the next position in the record and an end-of-record marker is placed in that position. A random **PRINT#** operation cannot extend across logical record boundaries. An error is returned if the file pointer moves beyond the end of the record.

Executing a random access **PRINT#** without a list of data causes the file pointer to move to the beginning of the specified logical record.

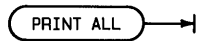
Related Keywords

ASSIGN#, **READ#**

PRINT ALL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The PRINT ALL statement directs the system to enter a mode in which a printed copy of alphanumeric information as it is displayed on the alpha display. (Use NORMAL to restore the default display mode.)



Description

PRINT ALL directs a copy of all displayed alphanumeric output to the PRINTER IS device. This includes output from DISP, DISP USING, and LIST, keyboard input, and error messages generated from the keyboard or from a running program.

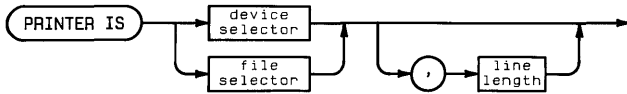
Related Keywords

CRT IS, NORMAL, PRINTER IS

PRINTER IS

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **PRINTER IS** statement selects the destination for **PRINT** and **PLIST** output.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|---------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |
| file selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 11 through 20 |
| line length | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=80) | 1 through 220 |

Examples

PRINTER IS 701
PRINTER IS Printer8

Description

Output from **PRINT (USING)** and **PLIST** is sent to the **PRINTER IS** device or to the specified file. The alpha display is the default printing device at power-on.

The line length specifies the maximum number of characters sent to the **PRINTER IS** device before an end-of-line (EOL) sequence is automatically sent. The EOL character(s) are not counted as part of the line length. When a **PRINT USING** format string specifies output that exceeds the **PRINTER IS** line length, the line is broken at the line length and the format is continued at the beginning of the next line.

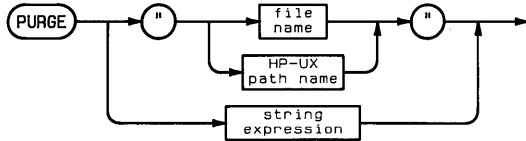
Related Keywords

ASSIGN, **IMAGE**, **PLIST**, **PRINT**

PURGE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The PURGE statement deletes the entry for the specified file from its directory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
PURGE "myfile"
PURGE "/vol1/dir1/dir2/myfile"
```

Description

If the file name is used alone rather than as part of an HP-UX path name, the file must be located in the current working directory.

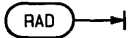
A purged file can no longer be accessed. The space previously occupied by the file becomes available for creation of other files.

Related Keywords

ASSIGN#

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The RAD statement sets radians as the unit in which angles are measured.



Description

When RAD is executed, all angle parameters in statements and functions are interpreted as radians. (There are 2π radians in a circle.) All functions returning an angle return a value in radians.

The angle mode of a program is global. When a subprogram is called, the current angle mode is carried into the subprogram. If a subprogram changes the angle mode and then returns to the main program, the new mode is carried back to the main program.

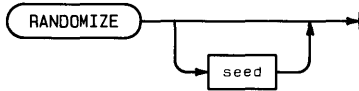
Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD

RANDOMIZE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **RANDOMIZE** statement specifies a new seed for the **RND** function.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------|---|-------------------|
| seed | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | range of integers |

Examples

```
RANDOMIZE  
RANDOMIZE Seed.
```

Description

The **seed** determines the sequence of pseudorandom numbers generated. Using the same **seed** causes **RND** to generate the same series of numbers.

The **seed** is global, and is passed between the main program and any subprogram(s).

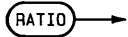
Related Keywords

RND

RATIO

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The RATIO function returns the ratio of the dimensions of the graphics limits—horizontal dimension divided by vertical dimension.



Examples

```
R=RATIO  
LOCATE 5,RATIO*20,10,50
```

Description

The graphics limits from which RATIO is computed are set by executing PLOTTER IS or LIMIT.

Floating-point math accuracy may vary depending on the display or plotter used, as well as from machine to machine.

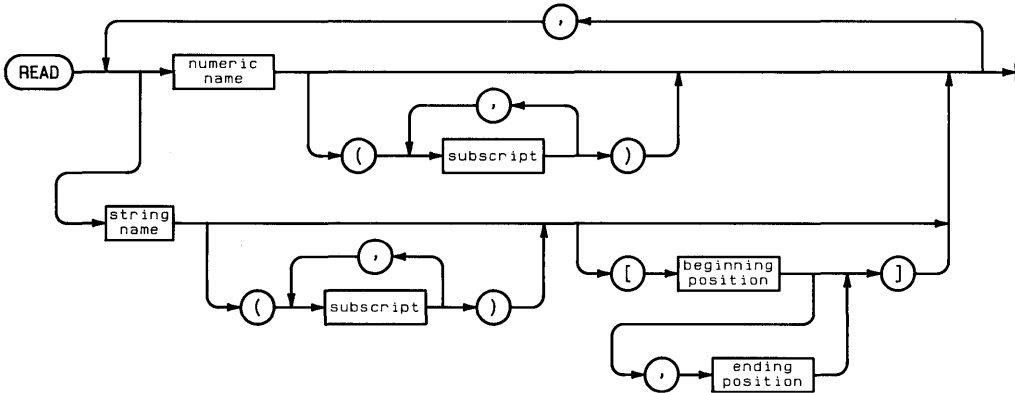
Related Keywords

LIMIT, PLOTTER IS

READ

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **READ** statement reads numeric and/or string constants from one or more **DATA** statements and assigns those values to program variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
READ Variable1,Variable2$  
READ A(1,2),B,C$,D$[3,5],E$(4)[7]
```

Description

READ uses a data pointer to indicate the data item to be read. When program execution begins, the data pointer is positioned at the left-most item in the lowest-numbered **DATA** statement. When the data list in a particular **DATA** statement is exhausted, the pointer moves to the next-higher numbered **DATA** statement. Attempting to read past the last data item in the program generates an error.

The order in which **DATA** statements are used can be changed using the **RESTORE** statement.

Each subprogram has its own data pointer, and can use only its own **DATA** statements. When a subprogram is called, its first **READ** statement uses the first **DATA** statement in that subprogram. When execution returns to a calling program, the calling program resumes use of its own data pointer starting from the pointer's last position.

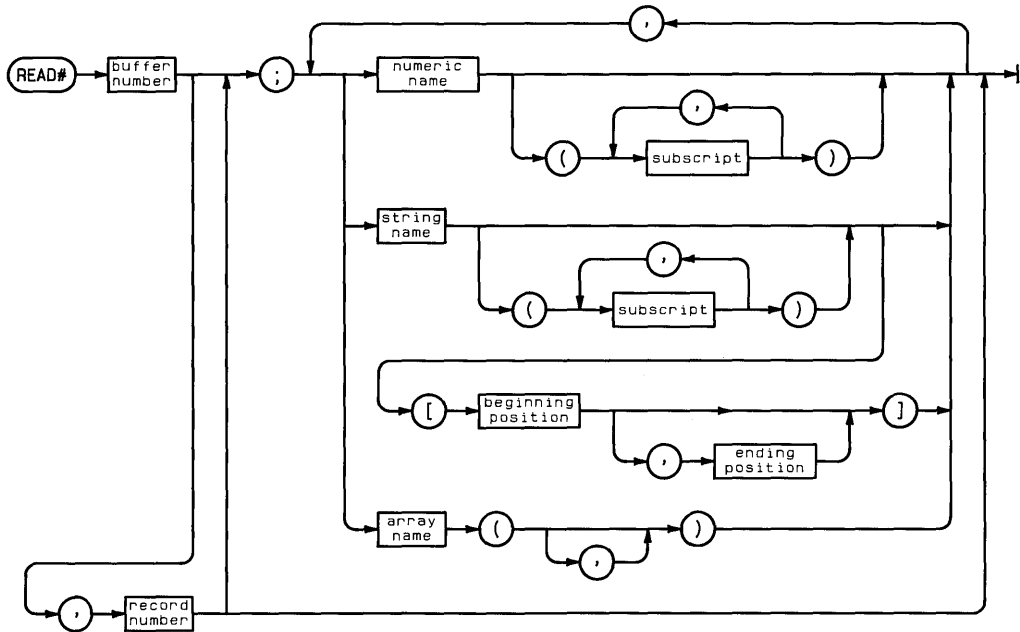
Related Keywords

DATA, **RESTORE**

READ#

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **READ#** statement retrieves data from an open BASIC/DATA file and assigns the data to the specified variable(s).



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|------------------|
| buffer number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 10 |
| record number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | none |
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array element | any valid name |
| string name | name of a simple string variable or string array element | any valid name |
| array name | name of a numeric or string array | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| beginning position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |
| ending position | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

```
READ# 1;Variable
READ# BufferNumber,record;A(4),B$[7,12]
```

Description

The buffer number must have been previously assigned to the file with an **ASSIGN#** statement. The **ASSIGN#** statement places the file pointer at the beginning of the file.

Data read from the file must match the **READ#** variables in type (numeric versus string). Numeric data need not agree in precision. The data is converted to the precision of the **READ#** variable.

Serial Access

When the record number is omitted, data is read serially. As an item of data is read from the file into a **READ#** variable, the file pointer advances to the next item. When the entire list of **READ#** variables has been satisfied, the file pointer remains positioned after the last data item read. A subsequent **READ#** statement continues reading data from that position. Serial access continues until the file is closed, all the data has been read, or a random access **READ#** or **PRINT#** statement is executed.

Random Access

When the record number is included, data is read using random access. The record number must not exceed the total number of records in the file.

When the random **READ#** statement is executed, the file pointer is moved to the beginning of the specified logical record. As an item of data is read from the record into a **READ#** variable, the file pointer advances to the next item in the record. A random **READ#** operation cannot extend across logical record boundaries. An error is returned if the file pointer encounters the end of the logical record before all the **READ#** variables have been satisfied.

Executing a random access **READ#** without a list of variables moves the file pointer to the beginning of the specified logical record.

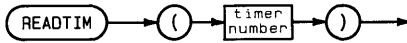
Related Keywords

ASSIGN#, **PRINT#**

READTIM

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The READTIM function returns the integer number of seconds elapsed on the specified system timer after the timer is set by an ON TIMER# statement in a program.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| timer number | a numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 3 |

Examples

```
IF READTIM(1)<5 THEN GOSUB SendData  
DISP READTIM(A)
```

Description

If the timer has not been set or has been disabled by OFF TIMER#, READTIM returns 0. Timer #0 is the system clock; READTIM(0) returns the value of the clock seconds counter.

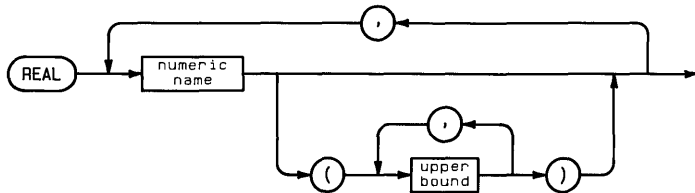
Related Keywords

OFF TIMER#, ON TIMER#, SETTIME

REAL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The **REAL** statement declares and reserves memory for full precision floating point numeric variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| upper bound | integer constant | 1 through 65,530 |

Examples

REAL Variable, Array1(10), Array2(5,3)

Description

All numeric variables are **REAL** unless declared **SHORT** or **INTEGER**.

When the numeric variable name is used with one or two upper bound(s) enclosed in parentheses, the variable is dimensioned to be a one- or two- dimensional array. The default lower bound of the array is 0. The **OPTION BASE** statement is used to set the lower bound equal to 1.

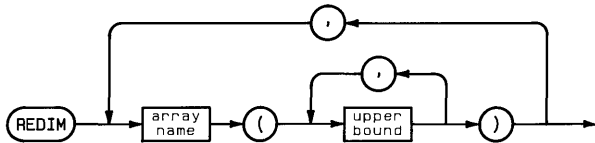
When variables are passed to a subprogram by address, precision declarations accompany the variable into the subprogram.

Related Keywords

DIM, **INTEGER**, **SHORT**

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The REDIM statement changes the subscript range of a previously dimensioned array.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| array name | name of a numeric array | any valid name |
| lower bound | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=option base value) | 1 through 65,530 |
| upper bound | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 65,630 |

Examples

```
REDIM A(3)
REDIM FirstArray(4,5),SecondArray(5)
```

Description

Redimensioning an array reassigns elements to different positions in the array. Elements are stored in order from left to right along each row, from the top row to the bottom.

The following rules apply to redimensioning arrays:

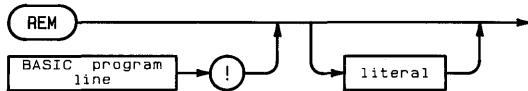
- The number of dimensions of the array must not change.
- The total number of elements in the new working size cannot exceed the number originally dimensioned.

If REDIM specifies an array that has not yet been explicitly dimensioned, the array is first dimensioned to a two-dimensional array with upper bounds equal to 10, and then immediately redimensioned.

REM

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The REM statement allows comments in a program.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|--|
| literal | string constant composed of characters from the keyboard | characters with ASCII codes 0 through 31 not allowed |
| BASIC program line | a proper BASIC program line or multi-statement line | — |

Examples

```
10 REM Written 12/5/83
20 !
30 DISP "Insert disc in drive" ! User must insert disc #4
```

Description

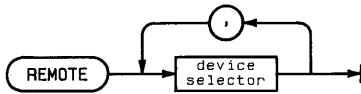
The comment delimiter, !, can be used anywhere after the line number; all characters following the delimiter are considered part of the comment.

If a REM statement is included in a multistatement line, it must be the last statement in the line.

REMOTE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The REMOTE statement places the specified device(s) into remote control.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |

Examples

REMOTE 710
REMOTE A1,A2,A3

Description

Interface-dependent action:

- HP-IB: The computer must be system controller.

The bus is placed in remote operation.

The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there must be no primary address in the special (device) file’s minor number. (See **ASSIGN** for further information.)

If no addressing is included in the device selector, the remote state is enabled for all devices on the bus having remote/local capabilities. The interface sets Remote Enable (REN) true. Devices do not go into remote state until they are addressed to listen.

If the device selector contains a primary address, the interface sets REN true, sends Unlisten (UNL), and then sends the listen address of the specified device(s). **REMOTE** leaves ATN true.

If two or more device selectors are listed, they must include primary addresses, and the devices must be on the same interface.

- GPIO: Error.

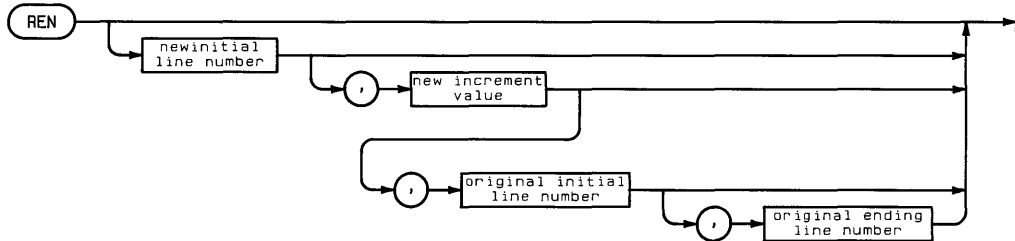
Related Keywords

LOCAL, LOCAL LOCKOUT, RESUME

REN

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable No
In an IF...THEN No

The **REN** command renumbers all or portions of the current program or subprogram.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| new initial line number | integer constant (default=10) | 1 through 65,535 |
| new increment value | integer constant (default=10) | 1 through 65,535 |
| original initial line number | integer constant (default=1) | 1 through 65,535 |
| original ending line number | integer constant (default=65,535) | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

REN 500,2,1,60000

REN 10,1

Description

The program lines to be renumbered are delimited by the original initial line number and the original ending line number. Both original line numbers must exist in the program. The first line in the delimited segment is assigned the new initial line number. Successive lines are renumbered according to the specified new increment value. An error occurs if renumbering causes the new ending line number to exceed 65,535, or if either original line number does not exist.

When `REN` changes a line number, all references to that line number within the (sub)program (for example, `GOTO line number`) are automatically updated.

`REN` cannot be used to change the order of program lines. An error occurs if renumbering causes newly renumbered program lines to overlap previous or following lines. In the case of an error, renumbering halts and line numbers are returned to their original values.

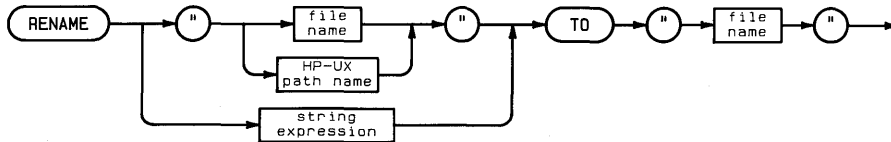
Related Keywords

`SCAN`, `XREF L`

RENAME

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The RENAME statement changes the name of the specified file in its directory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed, BASIC/SUBP files not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | BASIC/SUBP files not allowed |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
RENAME "name1" TO "name2"  
RENAME "/disc1/oldname" TO "newname"
```

Description

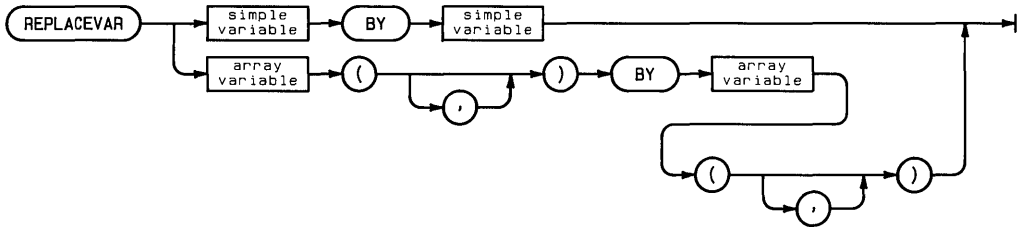
RENAME removes the old name from the directory and replaces it with the new name. The parameter following TO must be a simple file name.

If the old file name is used alone rather than as part of the HP-UX path name, the file must be located in the current working directory.

REPLACEVAR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The **REPLACEVAR** command replaces all occurrences of the specified variable name in a program or subprogram with another variable name.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------------------|--|----------------|
| simple variable name | simple numeric or string variable name | any valid name |
| array variable name | numeric or string array name | any valid name |

Examples

```
REPLACEVAR A BY B
REPLACEVAR string$( ) BY twine$( )
```

Description

The new variable name must match the replaced variable name in typesimple numeric, simple string, numeric array, or string array. A one-dimensional array variable is indicated by parentheses following the variable name. For two-dimensional arrays, a comma must be included within the parentheses.

The messages `Replacing...` and `...end of replace` indicate the beginning and end of the replacement operation.

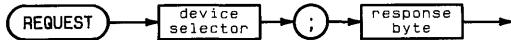
Related Keywords

SCAN, XREF L, XREF V

REQUEST

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **REQUEST** statement is used by the non-active controller to send a response byte to the active controller.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| response byte | numeric expression, truncated to an integer and moduloed 256 | — |

Examples

```
REQUEST 7;64
```

```
REQUEST DevSelector;64+X
```

Description

Interface-dependent action:

- HP-IB: The computer must not be the active controller of the specified interface.

The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number. See **ASSIGN** for further information.

Executing **REQUEST** sets up a serial poll response byte, which is sent to the active controller in response to a serial poll operation. If bit 6 (decimal value 64) of the response byte is set, the computer sends Service Request (SRQ) to the active controller in response to the incoming serial poll. The active controller’s serial poll clears SRQ.

- GPIO: Error.

Related Keywords

PASS CONTROL, SPOLL

RESET

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **RESET** statement performs a hardware reset of the interface, returning it to its power-on state.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |

Examples

```
RESET 7  
RESET DevSel
```

Description

When **RESET** is executed, the interface performs a self-test, and the control registers are set to their default values.

Interface-dependent action:

- HP-IB: The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number, See **ASSIGN** for further information.
If the computer is system controller, HP-IB sends Interface Clear (IFC), then Remote Enable (REN).
- GPIO: Pulses the PRESET line, and restores the card to its powerup state.

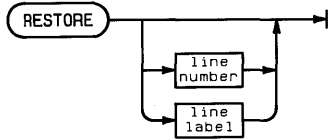
Related Keywords

ASSIGN, **CONTROL**

RESTORE

Keyboard Executable No
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The RESTORE statement specifies which DATA statement will be accessed by the next READ operation.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line (default=first DATA statement in a program or subprogram) | 1 through 65,535 |
| line label | name of a program line | any valid name |

Examples

```
100 RESTORE  
200 RESTORE 130
```

Description

The specified statement must be a DATA statement located in the same program or subprogram. When that data statement has been used, the data pointer moves to the next-higher numbered DATA statement.

Related Keywords

DATA, READ

RETURN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **RETURN** statement is used within a subroutine to cause branching to the statement following the invoking **GOSUB**.



Description

When an invoking **GOSUB** (or **ON...GOSUB**) is embedded in a multistatement line, **RETURN** returns program execution to the statement following the **GOSUB** on that line. A **GOSUB** interrupt (for example, **ON KEY# 5 GOSUB 100**) returns execution to the line following the line on which the interrupt occurred.

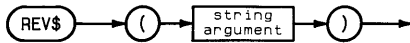
Related Keywords

GOSUB, **ON...GOSUB**

REV\$

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The **REV\$** function returns a string formed by reversing the sequence of characters in the specified string.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |

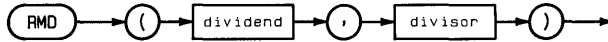
Examples

```
Backwards$=REV$("ABCDE")  
DISP REV$(String$[2,7])
```

RMD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The RMD function divides the first numeric argument by the second numeric argument and returns the remainder from the division.



| Item | Description | Range |
|----------|--------------------|-------|
| dividend | numeric expression | — |
| divisor | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
ANGLE=RMD(A,360)  
IF RMD(X,Y)=0 THEN 300
```

Description

For non-zero values of Y, RMD(X,Y) returns a value according to the equation:

$$\text{RMD}(X,Y) = X - Y * \text{IP}(X/Y)$$

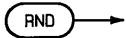
When $y=0$, $\text{RMD}(X,Y)=X$. RMD and the MOD operator return the same result when X and Y have the same sign.

Related Keywords

MOD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The RND function returns a pseudorandom number greater than or equal to 0 and less than 1.



Examples

```
IF RND>=.5 THEN DISP "HEADS"
```

Description

The sequence of random numbers returned depends on the seed. BASIC uses a default seed whenever the system is reset. The RANDOMIZE statement is used to change the seed.

Related Keywords

RANDOMIZE

RNORM

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The RNORM function returns the *row norm* of an array. The row norm is computed by summing the absolute values of the elements in each row of the array and selecting the largest value.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional array | any valid name |

Examples

```
SUM=RNORM(Array1)  
IF RNORM(A)<=>RNORM(C) THEN B=RNORM(A)
```

Related Keywords

CNORM, FNORM, RNORMROW

RNORMROW

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The RNORMROW function returns the row number of the row having the largest sum of absolute values, using the array specified in the most recently executed RNORM function.

RNORMROW →

Examples

```
A(RNORMROW,3) = 2.5E4  
DISP RNORMROW
```

Description

Row numbering starts with zero for option base 0.

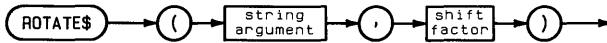
Related Keywords

ABSUM, RNORM

ROTATE\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The ROTATE\$ function shifts the characters in a string by the specified number of positions, rotating characters “bumped” off one end of the string to the other end.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |
| shift factor | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |

Examples

```
DISP ROTATE$("ABCDEFG",2)
IF ROTATE$(Line1$,1)="x" THEN Y=2
```

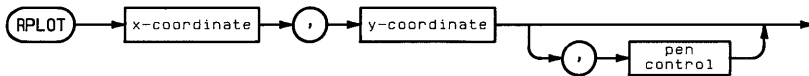
Description

The sign of the shift factor determines which way characters are rotated. A positive shift factor causes characters to be right-shifted, with characters at the end of the string rotated to the beginning. A negative shift factor causes characters to be left-shifted, with characters at the beginning of the string rotated to the end.

RPLOT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The RPLOT statement moves the pen from the current pen position to the specified x- and y-coordinate position, using a local coordinate origin. The optional pen control parameter specifies the up/down status of the pen.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|---|-------|
| x-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| y-coordinate | numeric expression, interpreted in the current units | — |
| pen control | numeric expression, rounded to an integer (default=1; pen lowered after move) | — |

Examples

```
RPLOT X,Y,P  
RPLOT 5,10
```


Description

The x- and y-coordinates are interpreted as increments to a local origin. RPLLOT does not affect the local origin.

The local origin is the current logical pen position at the completion of any of the following statements:

AXES DRAW FRAME GRID IDRAW IMOVE IPLOT LABEL MOVE PLOT

RPLLOT uses the current units (GU's or UU's) and line type. In UU's mode, lines cannot be drawn outside the plotting boundaries. In GU's mode, the plotting boundaries are equivalent of the graphics limits; therefore, lines can be drawn anywhere within the graphics limits.

In both UU's mode and GU's mode, RPLLOT can position the logical pen outside the plotting area. However, RPLLOT cannot position the physical pen outside the plotting boundaries.

The optional pen control parameter specifies the up and down position of the pen as follows:

Pen Control

| Pen Control Parameter | Pen Action |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| positive, even | pen moved and then lifted |
| positive, odd | pen moved and then lowered |
| negative, even | pen lifted and then moved |
| negative, odd | pen lowered and then moved |

If no pen control parameter is specified, the up/down status of the pen before RPLLOT is executed determines whether the pen is up or down as it moves. If the pen is up, it is lowered when it reaches its new position.

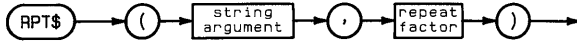
Related Keywords

IPLOT, LINE TYPE, PLOT

RPT\$

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The RPT\$ function returns a string consisting of the string argument repeated the specified number of times.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |
| repeat factor | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |

Examples

```
DISP RPT$(String$,5)  
Q$=RPT$("12345 ",N)
```

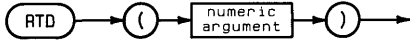
Description

A repeat factor less than +1 returns a null string. A repeat factor that produces a result string greater than 65,530 characters causes an error.

RTD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The RTD (*radians-to-degrees*) function interprets the numeric argument as an angle measured in radians, and returns the value of the angle in degrees.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
Degrees= RTD(Radians)  
DISP RTD(PI*B)
```

Description

The argument and value returned by RTD are independent of the current trigonometric mode.

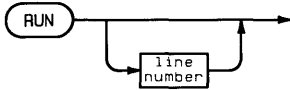
Related Keywords

DTR

RUN

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable No
In an IF...THEN No

The RUN command starts program execution from the beginning or from the specified line.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| line number | integer constant (default=first program line) | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

RUN
RUN 4500

Description

If a line number is specified, it must be a valid line number in the main program. If the main program does not contain the specified line, execution starts at the next higher number line. An error results if no higher numbered line exists.

Execution of RUN occurs in two steps: pre-run initialization, and program execution. During prerun initialization:

- Memory is allocated to all program variables, and the variables are then initialized: numeric variables are set to 0, and string variables are set to the null string.
- Any variable assignments previously made from the keyboard are scratched.
- The program is checked for prerun errors; for example, referencing a non-existent program line, duplicate user-defined functions, dimensioning the same variable more than once.

If an error is detected, pre-run is terminated and an error message is reported.

When prerun initialization is completed, program execution begins. If the specified line number does not exist, execution begins with the next higher numbered line.

Refer to the table of Reset Conditions in Appendix 4 for additional information.

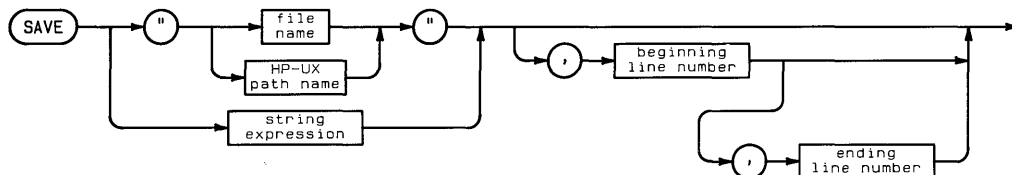
Related Keywords

CONT, INIT, PAUSE

SAVE

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The **SAVE** statement converts program lines currently in memory to ASCII character strings and copies the strings to the specified text file.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |
| beginning line number | integer constant (default=first program line) | 1 through 65,535 |
| ending line number | integer constant (default=last program line) | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

```
SAVE "TheWhales"  
SAVE "MyDir/MyFile",50,200
```

Description

If the specified file of the proper type already exists, the saved lines are copied to that file, erasing and overwriting the current contents. If the file does not exist, it is created in the specified directory. The current working directory is used if the file name is used without an HP-UX path name.

The beginning line number and ending line number specify the portion of the program to be saved. If the ending line number is omitted, lines from the beginning line number to the end of the program are saved. If both parameters are omitted, the entire program is saved.

The text files created and accessed by `SAVE` are non-BASIC files.

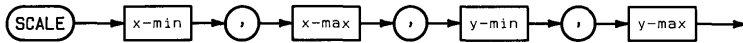
Related Keywords

`GET`, `STORE`

SCALE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The SCALE statement specifies a user units scale of the plotting area.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------|--------------------|-------|
| x-min | numeric expression | — |
| x-max | numeric expression | — |
| y-min | numeric expression | — |
| y-max | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
SCALE 0,100,0,100  
SCALE G,G+300,G-50,2G
```

Description

SCALE scales the current plotting area, which is a function of the units mode (GU's or UU's) and the previously executed statements.

In GU's mode, SCALE scales the entire graphics area previously specified by PLOTTER IS or LIMIT. In UU's mode, SCALE scales the plotting area previously specified by LOCATE. If LOCATE has not been executed, the entire graphics area is scaled.

The SCALE statement must be executed *after* the plotting area (graphics limits or LOCATE-defined area) has been established. Regardless of the current units mode, executing SCALE leaves the system in UU's mode.

SCALE parameters can be exchanged to reflect the plot (see LIMIT).

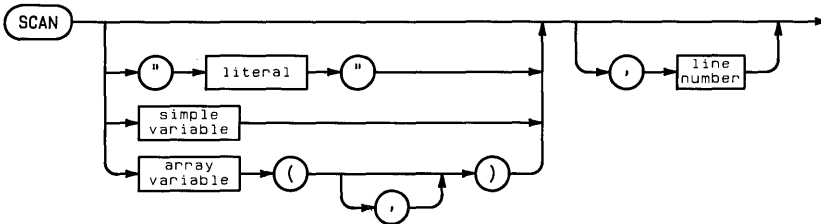
Related Keywords

LIMIT, LOCATE, MSCALE, SHOW, PLOTTER IS, SETGU, SETUU

SCAN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The **SCAN** command searches the current program or subprogram and displays all lines containing the specified variable name or character string. The messages **Scanning...** and **...end of scan** indicate the beginning and end of the scan operation.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|------------------|
| literal | string constant composed of characters from the keyboard | — |
| simple variable | name of simple numeric or string variable | — |
| array variable | name of numeric or string array | — |
| line number | integer constant identifying a program line (default=first program line) | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

```
SCAN A()
SCAN "CALL", 2000
```

Related Keywords

REPLACEVAR, XREF L, XREF V

SCRATCH

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF . . . THEN | No |

The **SCRATCH** command erases portions of computer memory, including the current BASIC program, subprogram(s), and variable assignments.



Description

Executing **SCRATCH**:

- Erases the current BASIC program.
- Erases any subprograms in memory.
- Erases all variable assignments made from the keyboard or within programs, including common variables.
- Cancels all I/O buffer and mass storage buffer assignments.

Binary programs are not affected.

Refer to the table of Reset Conditions in Section 4 for further information.

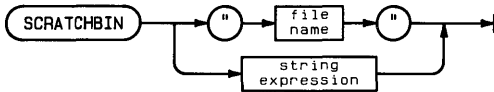
Related Keywords

INIT, SCRATCHSUB

SCRATCHBIN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **SCRATCHBIN** statement erases the specified binary program from BASIC memory and reclaims the memory used by the binary.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| file name | literal; name of the binary program | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name | — |

Examples

```
SCRATCHBIN "thisbinary"  
SCRATCHBIN A$
```

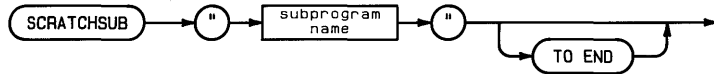
Related Keywords

CALLBIN

SCRATCHSUB

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The SCRATCHSUB statement scratches the specified subprogram(s) from system memory.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|---|
| subprogram name | name of the subprogram to be scratched | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |

Examples

```
SCRATCHSUB "SubSort"  
SCRATCHSUB "DeleteData" TO END
```

Description

SCRATCHSUB deletes the specified subprogram(s) without affecting the main program or other subprograms. When SCRATCHSUB is executed without the optional TO END keywords, only the specified subprogram is scratched. When SCRATCHSUB is executed from the keyboard with the optional TO END keywords, the specified subprogram and all subprograms located after it in the directory listing are scratched.

SCRATCHSUB can be executed within the main program or within subprograms. However, a subprogram cannot scratch itself or any subprogram from which it was directly or indirectly called.

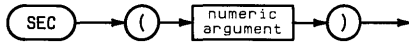
Related Keywords

DIRECTORY, SCRATCH

SEC

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The SEC function returns the secant of the angle argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
C=SEC(Angle)
IF SEC(Angle)=T THEN 400
```

Description

The angle argument is interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode - RAD (radians), DEG (degrees), or GRAD (grads). The default mode is RAD.

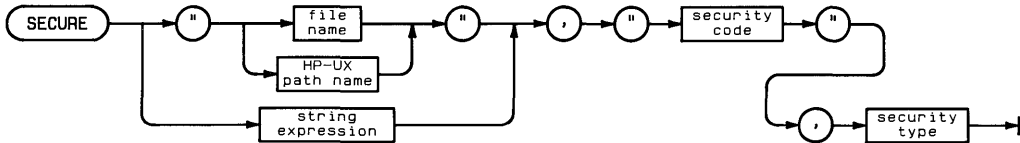
Related Keywords

DEG, GRAD, RAD

SECURE

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The **SECURE** statement secures BASIC files against being listed, copied, or overwritten.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |
| security code | string expression; only the first two characters are used | ≥2 characters |
| security type | numeric expression, rounded to an integer and moduloed 4 | security type 3 is ignored |

Examples

```
SECURE "myfile", "nl",0
SECURE "/vol1/dir1/dir2/dir3/myfile",Sc$,2
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the file must be in the current working directory.

Only the first two characters of the security code are used; any others are ignored.

Non-BASIC files cannot be secured within BASIC.

File Security

| Security Type | File Type | Protection |
|---------------|--|---|
| 0 | BASIC/PROG BASIC/SUBP | Prevents LIST, PLIST, and editing. |
| 1 | BASIC/PROG BASIC/SUBP | Prevents LIST, PLIST, editing, and file-to-file COPY. The file is ignored during directory-to-directory COPY. |
| 2 | BASIC/PROG BASIC/SUBP BASIC/DATA BASIC/GRAF | Prevents the file from being overwritten by STORE, GSTORE, or PRINT#. |

A file can be secured with types 0, 1, and 2 security at the same time. However, a file cannot be secured twice with the same security type.

Files can be secured against cataloging by using a period as the first character of the file name. The file will not be listed in a directory catalog. However, the file itself can be cataloged (i.e., *CAT filename* or *CAT HP-UX path name*).

Regardless of the security status of a file, it can always be purged.

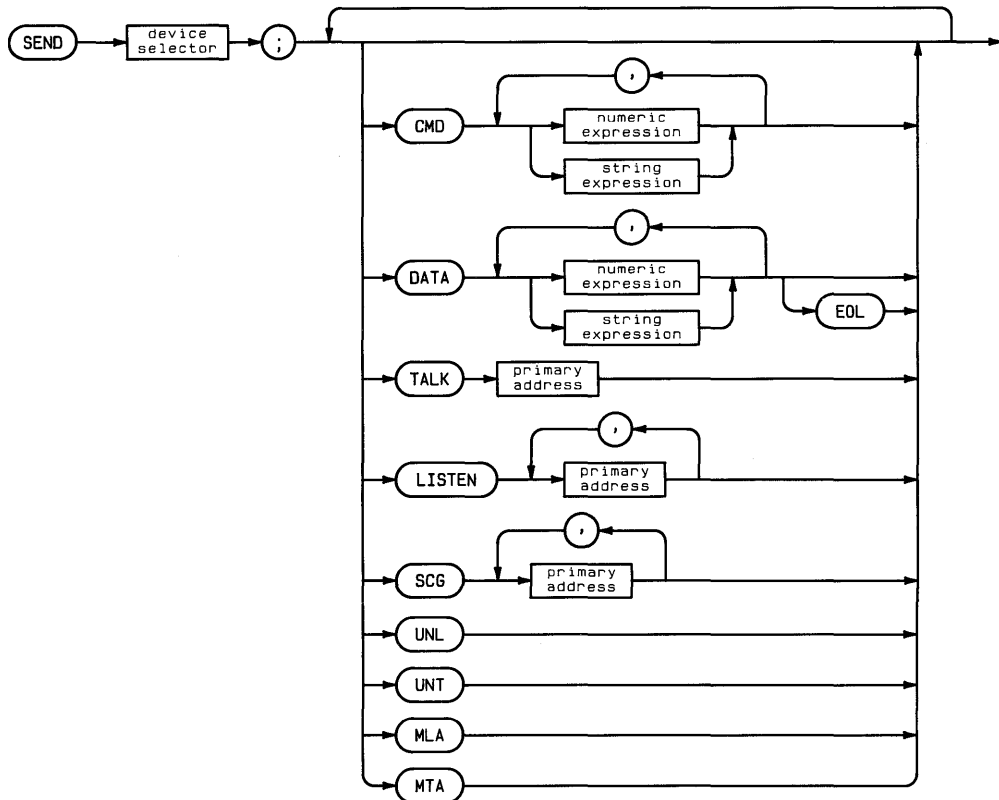
Related Keywords

PURGE, UNSECURE

SEND

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The SEND statement sends the specified command(s) or data to one or more devices.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| primary address | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 31 |
| secondary address | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 31 |

Examples

```
SEND 7; CMD NumberX DATA "Hello"  
SEND 7; MTA UNL LISTEN 6,14 CMD CHR$(15) SCG 6
```

Description

The secondary keywords that can be used and the action taken are interface-dependent.

HP-IB

The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number. See **ASSIGN** for further information.

The computer must be active controller when commands are sent. The ATN line is set true while commands are sent; the ATN line is set false while data is sent.

- **CMD** (commands)—sends a list of 8-bit expressions with ATN true. Primary commands have a bit pattern in the form *X00CCCCC*, where *X*=don’t care and *C*=bits of the command (decimal value 0 through 31).
- **DATA** (data)—sends list of numeric or string expressions with ATN false. Any 8-bit pattern may be sent. If EOL is specified, the interface end-of-line sequence is sent following the data.
- **TALK**—sends a device Talk Address (TAD), decimal value 0 through 31.
- **LISTEN**—sends a device Listen Address (LAD), decimal value 0 through 31.
- **SCG** (secondary command group)—sends a secondary address to a device.
- **UNL**—sends the Unlisten command (decimal value 63). ATN is true.
- **UNT**—sends the Untalk command (decimal value 95). ATN is true.
- **MLA** (My Listen Address)—sends the listen address of the interface.
- **MTA** (My Talk Address)—sends the talk address of the interface.

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UNL, UNT, MLA, and MTA are ignored. CMD, LISTEN, TALK and SCG return an error.

The following secondary keyword can be used:

- **DATA**—sends the list of numeric and/or string expressions. Data is sent as 8-bit bytes. If EOL is specified, the interface’s end-of-line sequence is sent.

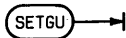
Related Keywords

OUTPUT

SETGU

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **SETGU** statement sets the computer to *graphics units (GU's) mode*. In GU's mode, the plotting boundaries are equal to the graphics limits, and the plotting area is scaled in graphics units.



Examples

```
SETGU  
IF X#0 THEN SETGU
```

Description

A graphics unit (GU) is defined as 1/100 of the shortest axis on the plotting device.

At power-on, reset, and when **LIMIT** or **PLOTTER IS** is executed, the computer is set to *user units mode*, with user units (UU's) set equal to graphics units. **SCALE**, **MSCALE**, or **SHOW** establish new user units. Executing **SETGU** permits plotting in GU's. After executing **SETGU**, plotting can be restored to previously established user units by executing **SETUU**.

Executing **SETGU** sets the plotting boundary to the graphics limits established by **LIMIT** or **PLOTTER IS**. In GU's mode, plotting boundaries set by **LOCATE** or **CLIP** are not active.

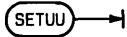
Related Keywords

LIMIT, **LOCATE**, **MSCALE**, **PLOTTER IS**, **SCALE**, **SETUU**, **SHOW**

SETUU

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **SETUU** statement sets the computer to *user units (UU's) mode*. In UU's mode, user units are the current unit scaling of the plotting area.



Examples

```
SETUU  
IF Y$="Y" THEN SETUU
```

Description

When **SETUU** is executed, plotting boundaries set by **LOCATE** or **CLIP** which were previously cancelled by **SETGU** are reactivated. If that plotting area was previously scaled by **SCALE**, **SHOW**, or **MSCALE**, those user units are reactivated.

Executing **SCALE**, **SHOW**, or **MSCALE** also places the system in UU's mode.

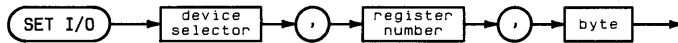
Related Keywords

CLIP, **LIMIT**, **LOCATE**, **PLOTTER IS**, **SETGU**

SET I/O

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The SET I/O statement writes a byte of data to the specified interface register.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|--|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| register number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 23 |
| data byte | numeric expression, truncated to an integer and moduloed 256 | — |

Examples

```
SET I/O 7,16,3  
SET I/O Isc,RegNum,BTD("10000011")
```

Description

The binary equivalent of the data byte is used to set and clear bits of the specified control register. SET I/O performs the same operation as the CONTROL statement, except that SET I/O can write to only one register at a time.

With HP-IB interfaces, the node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number. See ASSIGN for further information.

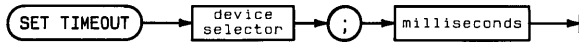
Related Keywords

CONTROL

SET TIMEOUT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **SET TIMEOUT** statement sets the maximum amount of time the system will wait for the specified interface to complete a handshake during an I/O operation.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| milliseconds | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | >0 |

Examples

```
SET TIMEOUT DevSelector; MilliSeconds  
SET TIMEOUT 7; 5000
```

Description

If an **ON TIMEOUT** end-of-line branch has been enabled, the branch is taken when the **SET TIMEOUT** limit is exceeded. If no **ON TIMEOUT** branching is in effect when the **SET TIMEOUT** time limit is exceeded, the system retains a pending end-of-line branch; when an **ON TIMEOUT** statement is executed, the branch is immediately taken.

I/O operations for which timeouts can occur include any **OUTPUT**, **ENTER**, **PRINT**, and plotting operations that access an interface.

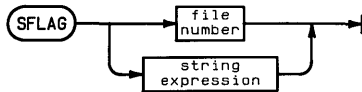
With HP-IB interfaces, the node to which the device selector is assigned can be either in “raw” or “auto-addressed” mode; that is, it may or not contain a primary address. (See **ASSIGN** for details.)

Related Keywords

OFF TIMEOUT, **ON TIMEOUT**

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The SFLAG statement sets and clears one or more flags.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| flag number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | +1 through +64 |
| string expression | eight characters, each interpreted as eight data bits | (use CHR\$ or the metacharacter ~ for non-keyboard characters) |

Examples

```

IF X=5 THEN SFLAG 6
SFLAG I
SFLAG "abcdefgh"
  
```

Description

When the SFLAG parameter is a numeric expression, it is interpreted as a flag number, and the specified flag is set. When the SFLAG parameter is a string expression, each of the eight characters are interpreted as one byte.

The 8-bit binary value of each character sets (1) and clears (0) eight flags. The first character represents flags 1 through 8, the second character, flags 9 through 16, etc. If the string expression contains more than eight characters, it is truncated after the eighth character. If the string expression contains fewer than eight characters, CHR\$(0) characters are appended to fill the string, and those flags are cleared.

Related Keywords

CFLAG, FLAG, FLAG\$

SGN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **SGN** function returns 1 if the numeric argument is positive, -1 if the argument is negative, and 0 if the argument is 0.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
IF SGN(Y)=1 THEN GOSUB 400  
Root=SGN(X)*SQR(ABS(X))
```

Related Keywords

ABS

SHELL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF...THEN | No |

The **SHELL** command temporarily exits from BASIC back to the HP-UX Bourne shell, without losing the current BASIC environment.



Description

When **SHELL** is executed, the current BASIC environment is saved and the HP-UX Bourne shell is invoked to permit you to execute HP-UX commands.

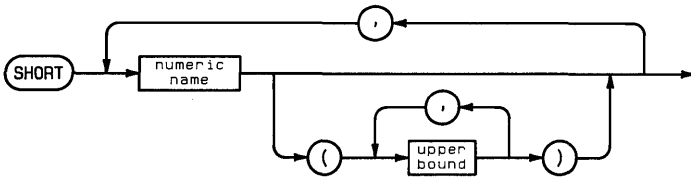
After any number of HP-UX commands, enter the ASCII "EOT" character (usually **CTRL** **D**) to restore the previous BASIC environment. The following prompt will be given upon re-entry to the BASIC system:

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SHORT

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **SHORT** statement declares and reserves memory for short-precision, floating-point-numeric variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--|------------------|
| numeric name | name of a simple numeric variable or numeric array | any valid name |
| upper bound | integer constant | 1 through 65,535 |

Examples

SHORT ShortVariable, ShortArray1(10), ShortArray2(5,3)

Description

All numeric variables are **REAL** unless declared **SHORT** or **INTEGER**.

When the numeric variable name is used with one or two upper bound(s) enclosed in parentheses, the variable is dimensioned to be a one- or two- dimensional array. The default lower bound of the array is 0. The **OPTION BASE** statement is used to set the lower bound equal to 1.

When a **SHORT** simple variable or array element is printed to a data file, the value is stored in the file with **REAL** precision. If an entire **SHORT** array is printed to a data file with one statement (for example, **PRINT# 1;ShortArray()**), the elements are printed to the file with **SHORT** precision.

When a **REAL** number is assigned to a **SHORT** variable, the number is rounded. Overflow occurs if the number is outside the range of **SHORT** numbers.

When variables are passed to a subprogram by address, precision declarations accompany the variable into the subprogram.

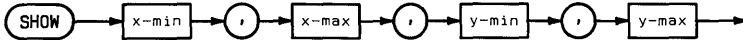
Related Keywords

DIM, INTEGER, REAL

SHOW

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **SHOW** statement specifies a user units scale of the plotting area such that one unit of x equals one unit of y (equal unit scaling). Thus, the plotting area is scaled with unit squares.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------|--------------------|-------|
| x-min | numeric expression | — |
| x-max | numeric expression | — |
| y-min | numeric expression | — |
| y-max | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
SHOW -2,2,-4,4  
SHOW A,2*B,0,3
```

Description

SHOW scales the current plotting area, which is a function of the units mode (GU's or UU's) and the previously executed statements.

In GU's mode, **SHOW** scales the entire graphics area previously specified by **PLOTTER IS** or **LIMIT**). In UU's mode, **SHOW** scales the plotting area previously specified by **LOCATE**. If **LOCATE** has not been executed, the entire graphics area is scaled.

The user units are established such that the specified area is as large as possible and is centered within the plotting area. After executing **SHOW**, the system is set to UU's mode.

The order of the parameters can be changed to produce reflected output (see **LIMIT**).

Related Keywords

LIMIT, LOCATE, PLOTTER IS, SCALE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The SIN function returns the sine of the angle argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
SineX = SIN(X)
```

```
If SIN(Theta)=1 THEN DISP "Theta equals 90 degrees"
```

Description

The angle argument is interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode—RAD (radians), DEG (degrees), or GRAD (grads). The default mode is RAD.

Related Keywords

ASN, DEG, GRAD, RAD

SINGLESTEP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | No |
| In an IF . . . THEN | No |

The SINGLESTEP command executes the current program line and then halts execution.



Description

The program must be initialized (by having previously executed INIT or RUN). A paused, unaltered program need not be reinitialized. However, if a paused program is edited, it must be initialized before singlestepping.

Related Keywords

CONT, INIT

SPOLL

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The SPOLL function returns an integer representing the status byte of the specified device.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |

Examples

```
DeviceStatus=SPOLL(712)  
IF SPOLL(D4)<64 THEN GOSUB 800
```

Description

The computer must be active controller in order to perform a serial poll.

Interface-dependent actions:

- HP-IB:

With HP-IB interfaces, the node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number. See **ASSIGN** for further information.

If the device selector contains no primary address, the interface sends Serial Poll Enable (SPE), sets ATN false, receives the status byte, sends Serial Poll Disable (SPD), and sends Untalk (UNT)

If the device selector contains a primary address, the interface sends Unlisten (UNL), My Listen Address (MLA), the device Talk Address (TAD), Serial Poll Enable (SPE), and then sets ATN false. The interface receives the status byte and then sends Serial Poll Disable (SPD) and Untalk (UNT).

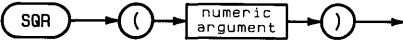
Related Keywords

PPOLL

SQR

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The SQR function returns the square root of the numeric argument. Negative arguments return an error.



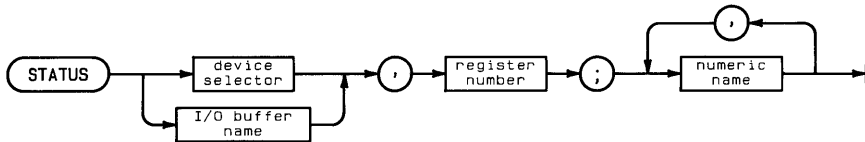
| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|----------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | ≥ 0 |

Examples

```
DISP SQR(X)  
C=SQR(A**2+B**2)
```

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The STATUS statement returns the contents of one or more interface or I/O buffer status registers.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|----------------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 3 through 10 |
| I/O buffer name | name of a string variable declared as an I/O buffer | — |
| register number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 0 through 15 |
| numeric name | name of numeric variable | any valid name |

Examples

```
STATUS 7,0;Register0
STATUS 7,3;Register3,Register4,Register5
```

Description

The register number must be valid for the specified interface.

When more than one numeric variable is listed, consecutive status registers are read starting at the specified register number. If the number of variables listed exceeds the number of existing registers, an error is returned; there is no wraparound to the first register.

With HP-IB interfaces, the node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there can be no primary address specified in the special (device) file’s minor number. See ASSIGN for further information.

Related Keywords

ASSERT, CONTROL, IOBUFFER

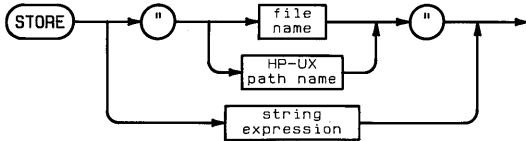
STOP

See END.

STORE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable No
In an IF...THEN No

The **STORE** command stores the current BASIC program or subprogram into a disc file of the specified name.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |

Examples

```
STORE "filename"  
STORE "/disc1/filename"  
STORE "/Directory1/Directory2/filename"
```

Description

If the file name is used alone (rather than as part of an HP-UX path name), the **STORE** operation uses the current working directory.

When **STORE** is executed, the system searches the specified directory for a **BASIC/PROG** file with the indicated name. If the file is found, the current (sub)program is stored in that file, overwriting the previous contents. If no such file is found, the file is created in that directory. An error is returned if the file name already exists in the directory with another file type.

When a new subprogram is stored, the file name must be the same as the **FINDPROG** name.

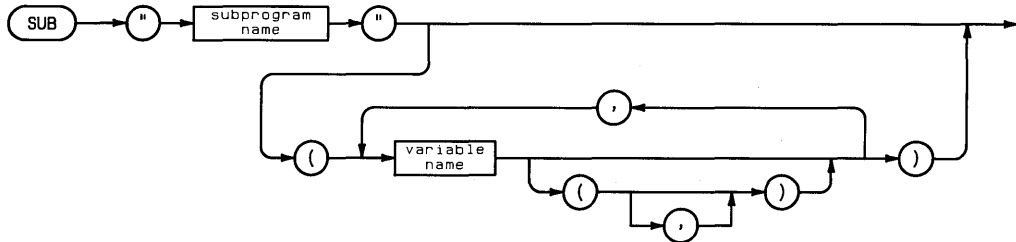
Related Keywords

LOAD, MASS STORAGE IS

SUB

Keyboard Executable No
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN No

The SUB statement is the first statement in a subprogram. It defines the beginning of the subprogram and lists the formal parameters passed into the subprogram.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|--|
| subprogram name | literal | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| variable name | name of a numeric or string variable (see glossary) | any valid name |

Examples

```
SUB "Count"  
SUB "SubPlot"(Xmin,Xmax,Yvar(),Zvar(),S$)
```

Description

All subprograms must begin with a `SUB` statement. The statement cannot be part of a multi-statement line. A subprogram can contain only one `SUB` statement.

The optional variable names enclosed in parentheses list the formal parameters passed from the calling (sub)program to the subprogram. The parameters become associated, from left to right, with the pass parameters listed in the `CALL` statement. The variable type (simple numeric, simple string, numeric array, string array) must agree with the parameters listed in the `CALL` statement. Arrays are designated by a pair of parentheses after the array name; an optional comma documents 2-dimensional arrays. Variables in the main program not explicitly passed to the subprogram or held in `COM`mon with the subprogram are unknown to the subprogram.

The pass parameter list does not include precision declarations (`REAL`, `SHORT`, and `INTEGER`), nor does it specify the dimensions of simple string variables and numeric and string arrays. The precision and dimensions of variables passed by address accompany them as they are passed. When a string expression is passed by value, the formal parameter to which it is passed is dimensioned to the current length of the string.

The `SUB` statement can list more parameters than the calling subprogram's `CALL` statement. Extra parameters are set to 0 and the null string. `NPAR` returns the number of parameters actually passed.

Common variables can be passed into subprograms by including them in a `COM` statement. Unlike the parameter list of the `SUB` statement, the `COM` statement must contain both precision declarations and array size declarations.

When a subprogram is stored, it is entered into the directory as a type `BASIC/SUBP` file.

Related Keywords

`CALL`, `FINDPROG`, `SCRATCHSUB`, `SUBEND`, `SUBEXIT`

SUBEND

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | No |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The SUBEND statement returns program execution to the calling program or subprogram.



Description

When SUBEND is executed, program execution resumes at the statement in the calling program that immediately follows the CALL statement. Comments following SUBEND are part of the subprogram.

SUBEND and SUBEXIT are interchangeable.

Related Keywords

CALL, SUB, SUBEXIT

SUBEXIT

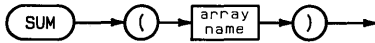
See **SUBEND**

SUBEXIT →

SUM

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The SUM function returns the sum of all the elements in the specified array.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|---|----------------|
| array name | name of a one- or two-dimensional array | any valid name |

Examples

```
DISP SUM(Vector1)  
Y=SUM(A)
```

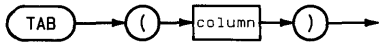
Related Keywords

ABSUM

Notes

TAB

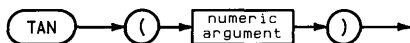
The **TAB** function is used with simple **DISP**, **LABEL**, and **PRINT** (without **USING**) to specify the column in which the next output item is placed. (See **DISP**, **LABEL**, and **PRINT**).



TAN

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The TAN function returns the tangent of the angle argument.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

Tangent=TAN(Theta)

Vertical=Horizontal*TAN(x)

Description

The angle argument is interpreted according to the current trigonometric mode - RAD (radians), DEG (degrees), or GRAD (grads). The default mode is RAD.

Related Keywords

ATN, DEG, GRAD, RAD

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The TIME function returns the current value of the system clock seconds counter.



Description

The seconds counter usually represents the number of seconds elapsed since midnight. The largest value returned is 86,399. When the counter reaches this value, it is reset to 0 and the date is incremented.

Related Keywords

DATE, DATE\$, TIME\$

TIME\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **TIME\$** function returns the system clock reading in HH:MM:SS notation.



Examples

```
DISP TIME$  
IF TIME$=B$ THEN 200
```

Description

The string returned is in 24-hour notation in the range 00:00:00 through 23:59:59.

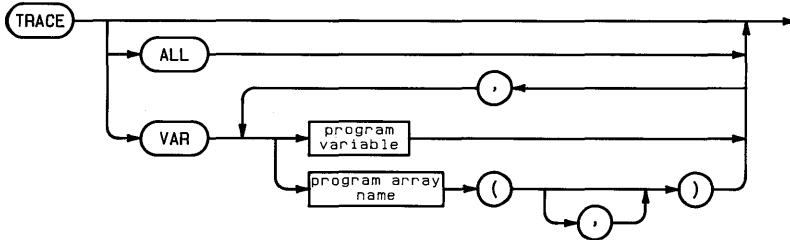
Related Keywords

DATE, DATE\$, TIME

TRACE

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The TRACE statement traces program variable assignments and/or the order in which program lines are executed.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------------|--|----------------|
| program variable | name of a simple or array program variable | any valid name |
| program array name | name of a program array | any valid name |

Examples

```
TRACE  
TRACE ALL  
TRACE VAR Var1, Var2$, Array1(6),Wholearray$()
```

Description

Three tracing options are available: TRACE, TRACE VAR, and TRACE ALL. Tracing results are output to the display.

When tracing statements are executed within a program or subprogram, tracing is local, and halts when execution is transferred to another subprogram or back to the main program. When TRACE or TRACE ALL is executed from the keyboard, it applies to the main program only. When TRACE VAR is executed from the keyboard, it applies to the current program or subprogram.

Tracing operations are canceled by executing NORMAL.

TRACE

TRACE traces the order in which program lines are executed. Nothing is output when execution proceeds sequentially from statement to next-higher numbered statement. When branching occurs, TRACE outputs branching information in the form:

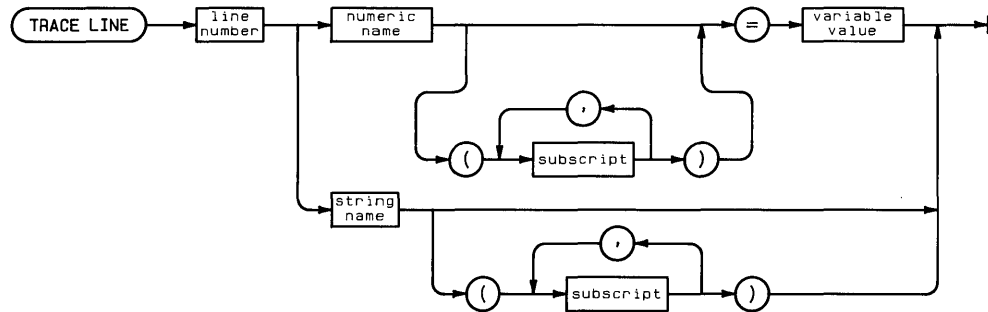


TRACE VAR

TRACE VAR traces assignments to the specified program variables during program execution. Variables to be traced must be allocated before TRACE VAR is executed. If TRACE VAR is executed from the keyboard before the program is run, the program must first be initialized by executing INIT.

TRACE VAR outputs changes in variable assignments of program variables to in the form:

When a numeric variable receives a new assignment, the variable name and new value are output. When a string variable is assigned a new value, TRACE VAR outputs the name of the string variable without printing its new value. When a statement operates on an entire numeric array, the new value of the first element only is output.



TRACE ALL

TRACE ALL traces program execution and variable assignments from line to line, regardless of whether or not branching occurs. Changes in the values assigned to variables are reported in the same format as TRACE VAR output.

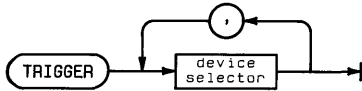
Related Keywords

NORMAL

TRIGGER

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The TRIGGER statement sends a Group Execute Trigger message to the specified device(s).



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| device selector | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | — |

Examples

TRIGGER 7
TRIGGER 724
TRIGGER DevSelector1, DevSelectorN

Description

- HP-IB:

The node to which the device selector is assigned must be in “raw” mode; that is, there cannot be a primary address specified in the special (device) files’s minor number. See **ASSIGN** for further information.

The computer must be active controller in order to execute **TRIGGER**.

If the device selector contains no primary address, the interface sends the “Group Execute Trigger” (GET) message to devices which are currently addressed to listen.

If the device selector(s) contain a primary address, the specified HP-IB interface sends these commands: Unlisten (UNL); the listen addresses (LAD) of the specified device(s); and the “Group Execute Trigger” (GET) message.

If more than one device selector is specified, all device selectors must include a primary address. In addition, all devices must be located on the same interface.

- GPIO: Error

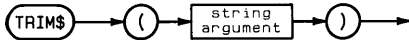
Related Keywords

RESUME, SEND

TRIM\$

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The TRIM\$ function returns a string stripped of all leading and trailing spaces (ASCII decimal code 32). Embedded blanks are unaffected.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |

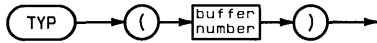
Examples

```
DISP TRIM$(Title$)  
Sortdata$=TRIM$(LastName$)
```

TYP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The TYP function returns the data type of the next item in a BASIC/DATA file.



| Item | Description | Range |
|---------------|---|--------------|
| buffer number | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 through 10 |

Examples

```
IF TYP(3)=1 THEN READ# 3;Number  
DISP TYP(Buffer)
```

Description

The file must be opened.

TYP returns an integer in the range 1 through 4, 8 through 10, according to the position of the file pointer and the contents of the data file. The number returned indicates the nature of the item following the current pointer location.

Values Returned by TYP

| TYP Value | Data Type |
|-------------|--|
| 1 | Numeric |
| 2 | Complete string |
| 3 | End-of file |
| 4 | End-of-record |
| 5 through 7 | Not used |
| 8 | Beginning of string; the string extends into the following record |
| 9 | Middle of string; the string extends into the previous and following records |
| 10 | End of string; the string is continued from the previous record |

Related Keywords

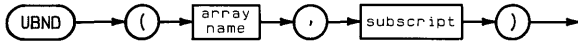
READ#

Notes

UBND

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The UBND function returns the dimension (upper bound) of the first or second subscript of the specified array.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------|--|----------------|
| array name | name of a one-or two-dimensional numeric array | any valid name |
| subscript | numeric expression, rounded to an integer | 1 or 2 |

Examples

```
FOR I=1 TO UBND(A,2)  
LET Y(UBND(Y,1),UBND(Y,2))=3
```

Related Keywords

LBND

UNCLIP

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The UNCLIP statement cancels plotting boundaries set by CLIP or LOCATE, and sets the plotting boundaries equal to the graphics limits.



Examples

```
UNCLIP
IF A$="Y" THEN UNCLIP
```

Description

Both SETGU and UNCLIP set the plotting boundaries equal to the graphics limits. The differences between the two statements are:

- UNCLIP does not switch the current plotting units to GU's. The computer remains in the current units mode.
- UNCLIP completely cancels the CLIP or LOCATE plotting boundaries. SETGU changes the current plotting area but does not cancel the plotting boundaries set by CLIP or LOCATE; they can be restored by executing SETUU.

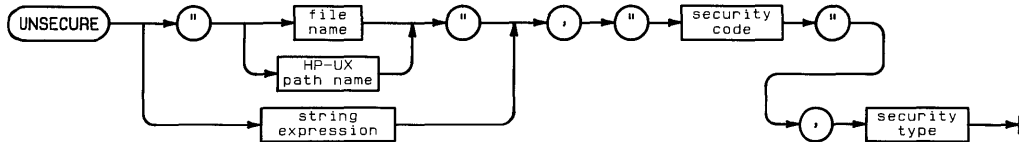
Related Keywords

CLIP, LOCATE, SETGU, SETUU

UNSECURE

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable No
 In an IF...THEN No

The UNSECURE command cancels security previously specified for BASIC files.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|
| file name | literal; name of a file in the current working directory | 14 characters maximum; slash and leading colon not allowed |
| HP-UX path name | literal; an absolute or relative path name (see glossary) | — |
| string expression | expression evaluating to a file name or HP-UX path name | — |
| security code | string expression | first two characters are used |
| security type | numeric expression, truncated to an integer and moduled 4 | — |

Examples

```
UNSECURE "myfile", "nl", 0
UNSECURE "/vol1/dir1/dir2/myfile", Code$, 2
```


Description

The security type must match the security type specified for the file when it was secured. For types 0 and 1 security, the first two characters of the security code must match the code that became associated with the file when it was secured, except that lowercase and uppercase letters are interchangeable. The security code is ignored for type 2 security. UNSECURE has no effect for security type 3.

The following rules apply to unsecuring files:

- Files secured with type 0 can be unsecured with type 0 or 1.
- Files secured with type 1 can be unsecured for LIST, PLIST, and editing by unsecuring for type 0. COPY security remains.
- Files secured with types 0 and 1 can be unsecured for type 1. Type 0 security is automatically removed.
- When unsecuring a file for LISTrm, the security must be removed before the file is loaded.

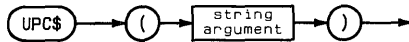
Related Keywords

SECURE

UPC\$

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The UPC\$ string function returns a string in which all the lowercase letters in the argument are converted to uppercase.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |

Examples

```
IF UPC$(String$)="YES" THEN 200  
DISP UPC$(String$)&"..."
```

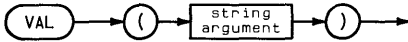
Related Keywords

LWC\$

Notes

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The VAL function converts a string expression containing digits into a numeric value.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| string argument | string expression | — |

Examples

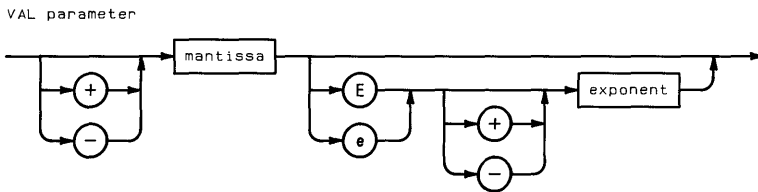
```

DISP VAL(A$)
Z=X(1)+VAL(Baseline$(X))
  
```

Description

The string can contain leading blanks and tab characters. The mantissa begins with the first non-blank/tab character, which must be a plus or minus sign, decimal point, or digit. Additional characters can be digits or a decimal point; there can be only one decimal point per number.

If exponential notation is used, the exponent following E or e consists of an optional sign followed by two or three digits.



The argument must contain at least one digit. Embedded blanks and non-digit characters not used to build an exponent terminate the number.

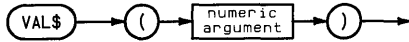
Related Keywords

VAL\$

VAL\$

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The VAL\$ function evaluates the numeric argument and returns the string representation of the argument in standard number format.



| Item | Description | Range |
|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| numeric argument | numeric expression | — |

Examples

```
C$=VAL$(D)&"00"  
PRINT# 1;VAL$(Xcoordinate)
```

Description

The string returned has no leading or trailing blanks. Decimal numbers have a leading zero preceding the radix.

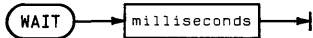
Related Keywords

VAL

WAIT

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The WAIT statement causes a delay in program execution until the specified number of milliseconds has elapsed.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|--------------------|----------|
| milliseconds | numeric expression | ≥ 1 |

Examples

```
WAIT N*250  
IF X=7 THEN WAIT 5000
```

Description

The WAIT statement can be interrupted by pausing the program. When the program is continued, execution continues at the next statement.

With Series 200/300 and 500 HP-UX systems, the timer resolution is 1 second.

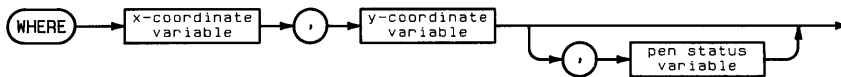
Related Keywords

PAUSE

WHERE

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF . . . THEN | Yes |

The **WHERE** statement assigns the last known location and status of the plotting device's logical pen to the specified numeric variables.



| Item | Description | Range |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| x-coordinate variable | name of a numeric variable | any valid name |
| y-coordinate variable | name of a numeric variable | any valid name |
| pen status variable | name of a numeric variable | any valid name |

Examples

```
WHERE Xposition, YPosition, Penstatus
WHERE x(I), y(I)
```

Description

The pen x- and y- coordinates are interpreted according to the current units. The pen status variable is assigned the value 0 if the pen is up, 1 if the pen is down.

The location and status of the logical pen is determined by the most recently executed statement affecting the pen. This includes all plotting statements and all statements and conditions which activate the graphics default conditions (see glossary). When the graphics default conditions are activated, the logical pen is lifted and moved to the origin (0,0).

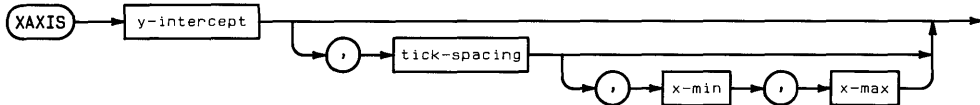
Related Keywords

CURSOR, DIGITIZE

XAXIS

Keyboard Executable Yes
Programmable Yes
In an IF...THEN Yes

The XAXIS statement draws a horizontal axis, with optional tick marks, at the specified y-intercept.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|---|-------|
| y-intercept | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units | — |
| tick-spacing | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units (default=0; no ticks) | — |
| x-min | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units (default=the left plotting bound) | — |
| x-max | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units (default=the right plotting bound) | — |

Examples

```
XAXIS 3  
XAXIS (Ymax-Ymin)/2,1  
XAXIS Y(1),2,-12,12
```


Description

The axis and optional tick marks are drawn using the current line type, and are clipped at the plotting boundaries. The y-intercept may lie outside the plotting area; only the portion of the axis within the plotting area is shown. The x-min and x-max parameters provide for drawing an axis across a portion of the plotting area. Parameters outside the plotting area are ignored. The default axis length is the entire plotting area.

Tick marks are 2 GU's long. The sign of the tick spacing parameter determines where ticks are placed. If the tick-spacing parameter is positive, ticks are left-justified on the x-axis. If the tick spacing parameter is negative, ticks are right-justified.

Related Keywords

AXES, LAXES, YAXIS

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The XREF L statement displays a line cross-reference table of program line numbers, line labels, and user-defined functions in the current (sub)program.



Description

XREF L generates an entry in the line cross-reference table whenever a line number or line label is referenced. Table entries are in the form:

Line Cross Reference Table

referenced line [line label] occurs on referencing line(s)

For example, these program lines:

```
30 IF X<>5 THEN Loop
500 Loop: FOR I=1 TO 5
```

generate the following entry:

```
500 Loop:_____ occurs on 30
```

The system displays ...end of xref1 when the entire table has been displayed.

Related Keywords

LIST, SCAN, XREF V

XREF V

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Keyboard Executable | Yes |
| Programmable | Yes |
| In an IF...THEN | Yes |

The **XREF V** statement displays a cross-reference table of all the variables and user-defined functions in the current sub(program).



Description

The **XREF V** table contains the following information about each program variable:

Variable—the name of the variable or user-defined function.

Dim1—the upper bound of the first subscript in an array variable.

Dim2—the upper bound of the second subscript in an array variable.

Max1—the maximum length of a string variable.

Type—**REAL**, **SHORT**, **INTEGER**, or string.

References—lines referencing the variable or user-defined function, including function definitions (**DEF FN** statements), function value assignments (**FN...=**), and function calls (**FN**).

The system displays:

```
...end of xrefv
```

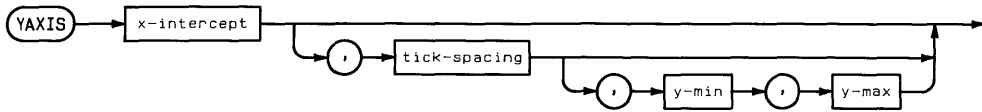
when the entire table has been generated.

Related Keywords

LIST, **SCAN**, **XREF L**

Keyboard Executable Yes
 Programmable Yes
 In an IF...THEN Yes

The YAXIS statement draws a vertical axis, with optional tick marks, at the specified x-intercept.



| Item | Description | Range |
|--------------|---|-------|
| x-intercept | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units | — |
| tick-spacing | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units (default=0; no ticks) | — |
| y-min | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units (default=the left plotting bound) | — |
| y-max | numeric expression, interpreted according to the current units (default=the right plotting bound) | — |

Examples

YAXIS 3
 YAXIS X(I)/3,1
 YAXIS 3,1,2,2

Description

The axis and optional tick marks are drawn using the current line type, and are clipped at the plotting boundaries. The x-intercept can lie outside the plotting area; only the portion of the axis within the plotting area is shown. The y-min and y-max parameters provide for drawing an axis across a portion of the plotting area. Parameters outside the plotting boundaries are ignored. The default axis length is the entire plotting area.

Tick marks are 2 GU's long. The sign of the tick spacing parameter determines where ticks are placed. If the tick spacing parameter is positive, ticks are bottom-justified on the y-axis. If the tick spacing parameter is negative, ticks are top-justified.

Related Keywords

AXES, LAXES, XAXIS

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