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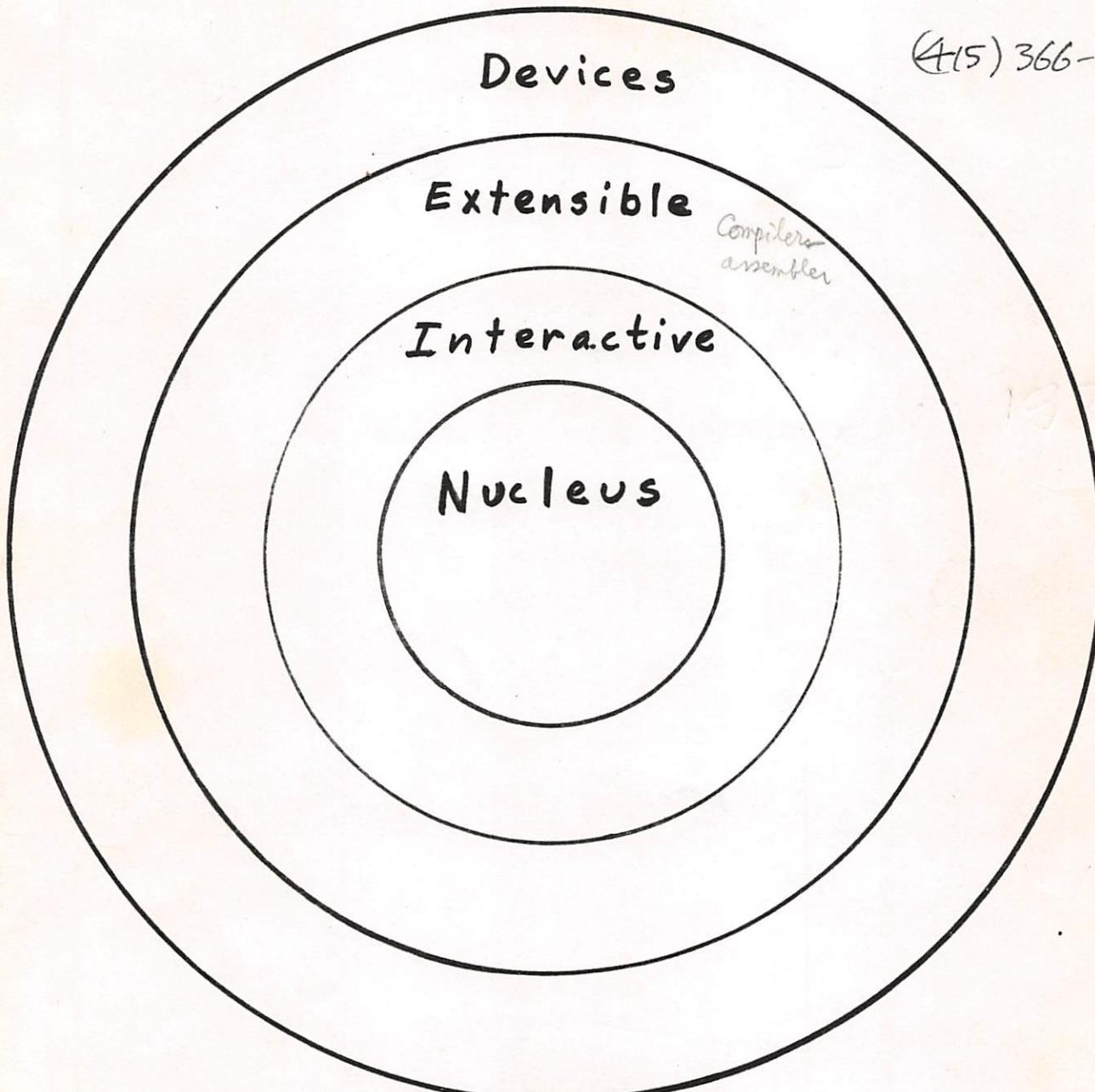
# FORTH'S LAYERS

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## FORTH LANGUAGE

**WORD** — a sound or a combination of sounds, or its representation in writing, that symbolizes and communicates a meaning ... a command or an order.

(from the American Heritage Dictionary)

### FORTH SYNTAX:

a sequence of Words,  
separated by spaces  
possibly terminated by a Carriage Return

(CR)

A word may contain any ASCII characters except spaces, Carriage Return, or Back Space (which erases previous character entered, except Carriage Return).

### Uniqueness:

Words are distinguished from all others by length (ie, number of characters) and first 31 characters.

normally 32  
variable  
WIDTH  
determines  
no. chars/word  
Saved in dictionary

# "EXECUTION"

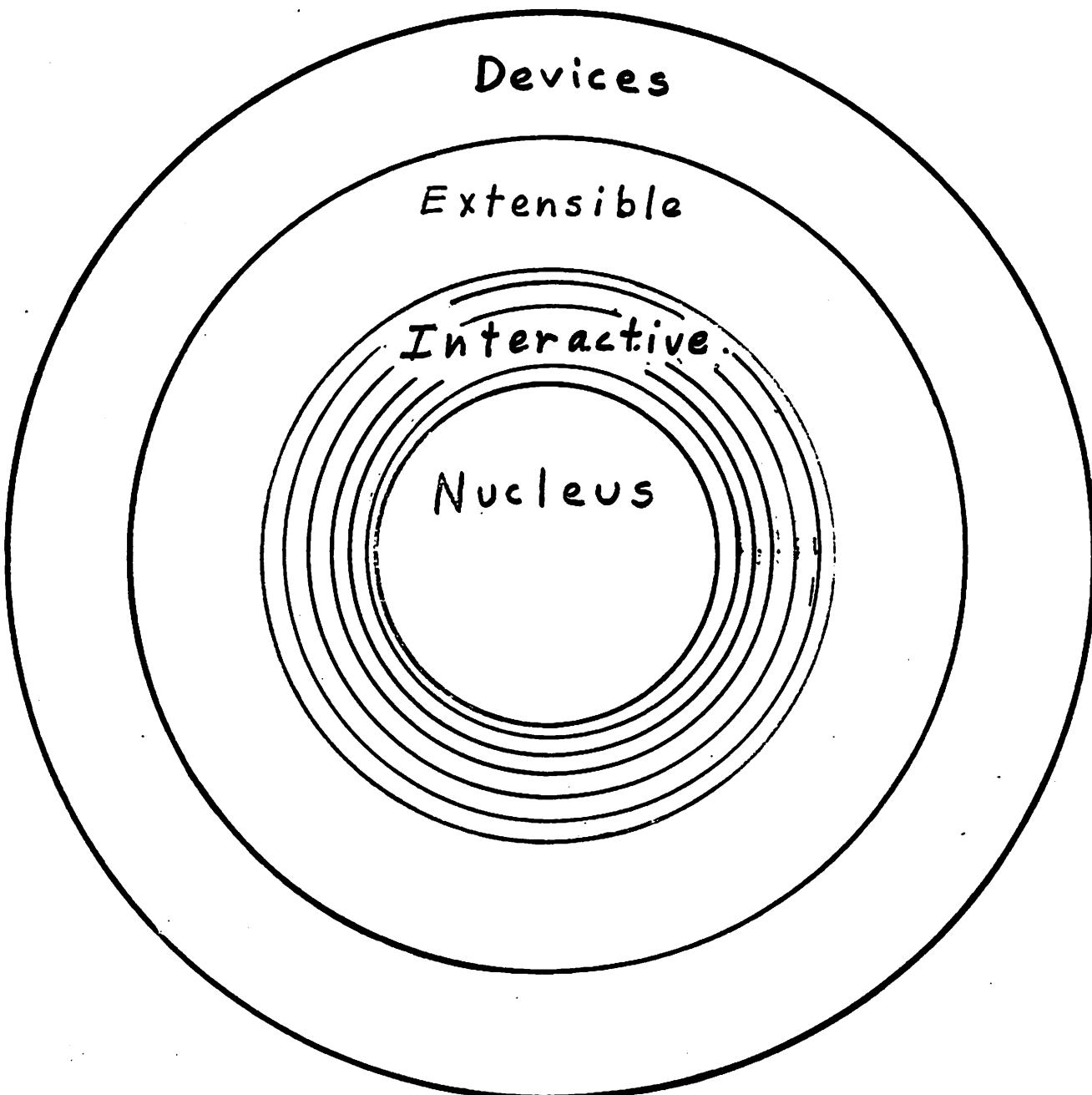
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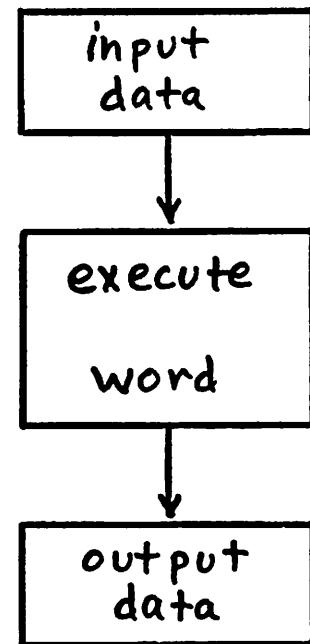
Extensible

Interactive.

Nucleus



# EXECUTING a FORTH WORD



## examples of words:

FORTH  
word executed

123  
word converted  
to binary and  
stored

(CR)

OK

reply indicates all  
words successfully  
processed

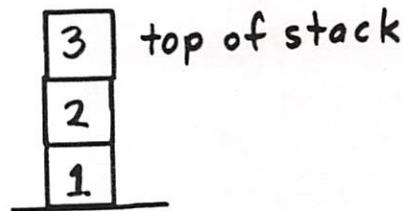
. (CR) 123 OK  
command to  
print out and discard  
most available number

FORTH has  
no equivalent to  
a program "statement"

## Stack usage:

numbers entered are pushed onto a stack.

1 2 3 (CR) OK



- . (CR) 3 OK
- . (CR) 2 OK
- . (CR) 1 OK
- . (CR) STACK EMPTY

## SIGNED INTEGERS

16 bit, range: signed -32768 to 32767  
unsigned 0 to 65535

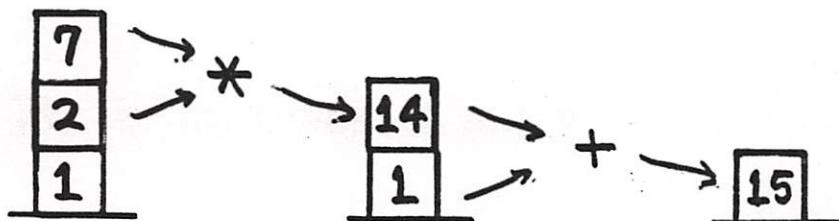
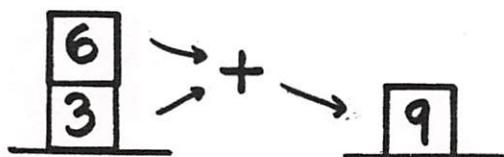
-100 .	(CR)	-100	OK
-1 U.	(CR)	65535	OK
32767 .	(CR)	32767	OK
32768 .	(CR)	-32768	OK
32768 U.	(CR)	32768	OK
65535 .	(CR)	-1	OK
65535 U.	(CR)	65535	OK

# Operators & Operands

Operands (data) are on the stack.

Operators take their inputs from the stack  
and leave their outputs on the stack.

input      process      output



## Arithmetic:

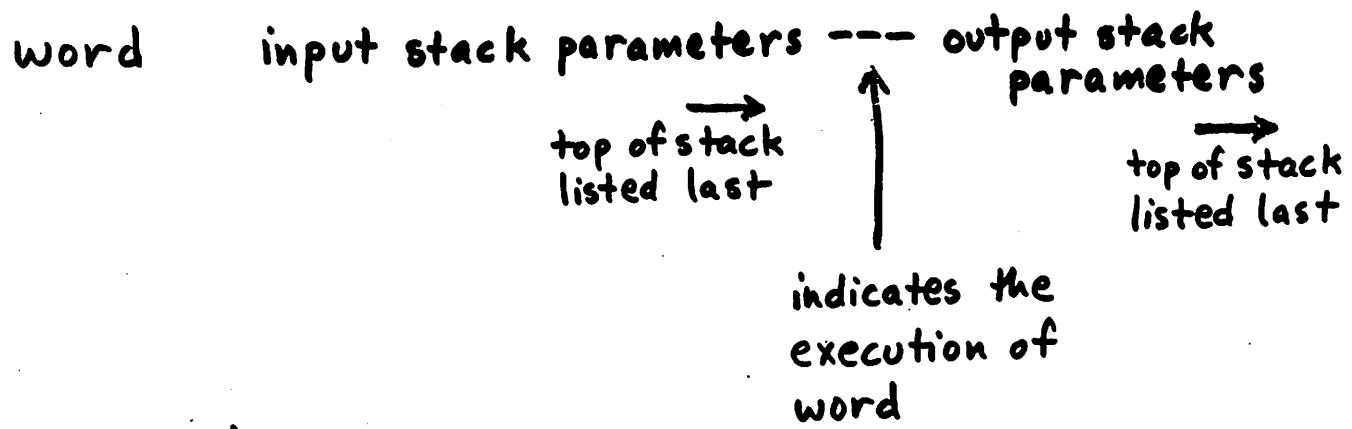
Stack usage leads to postfix order of operands and operators (RPN, Reverse Polish Notation).

1 2 + . CR 3 OK

7 2 \* 1 + . CR 15 OK

3 2 - . CR 1 OK

## Notational convention:



example:

+ n2 n1 --- sum

## ARITHMETIC OPERATORS:

16 bit signed integer (range -32,768 to 32,767)

fig  
64

+

-

\*

/

numerator denominator --- quotient

MOD

numerator denominator --- remainder

/MOD

numerator denominator --- rem. quot.

MINUS

n --- -n

ABS

n --- |n|

1+ 1- 2+ 2-

MAX

n1 n2 --- greater

MIN

n1 n2 --- smaller

\*/

$n_1 \uparrow n_2 \quad n_3$  --- quotient of  
(32bit intermediate product)  $\frac{n_1 * n_2}{n_3}$

$n_1 \downarrow n_2 \quad n_3$  --- rem. quot.

\*/MOD

16 bit unsigned integer (range 0 to 65,535)

AND

OR

XOR

Examples of arithmetic operators:

3 MINUS . (CR) -3 OK

-3 ABS . (CR) 3 OK

17 4 MAX . (CR) 17 OK

0 -1 MIN . (CR) -1 OK

The composite operators \*/ and \*/MOD  
are useful for scaled, fixed point calculations:

5% of 20000

20000 5 100 \*/ . (CR) 1000 OK

$5\frac{1}{2}\%$  of 20000

20000 55 1000 \*/ . (CR) 1100 OK

32 bit signed integers

Each takes 2 stack cells

d --- nlow nhigh

Entering: digits

punctuation characters:

.

Display: D.

examples

12.3 D.  $\text{CR}$  123 OK

32 bit signed integer ← extended arithmetic operators  
 (range -2,147,483,648 to (dropped off)  
 2,147,483,647)

D+                    d1 d2 --- d(d1+d2)

DMINUS                d --- -d

M+ ← not in FIG FORTH                d n --- d sum

M/                    d n --- ( $\frac{d}{n}$  quot.)

M/MOD                d n --- d( $\frac{d}{n}$  quot.) rem. ← unsigned

M\*                    m1 n2 --- 32 bit prod.  
 ↑  
 16 bits each

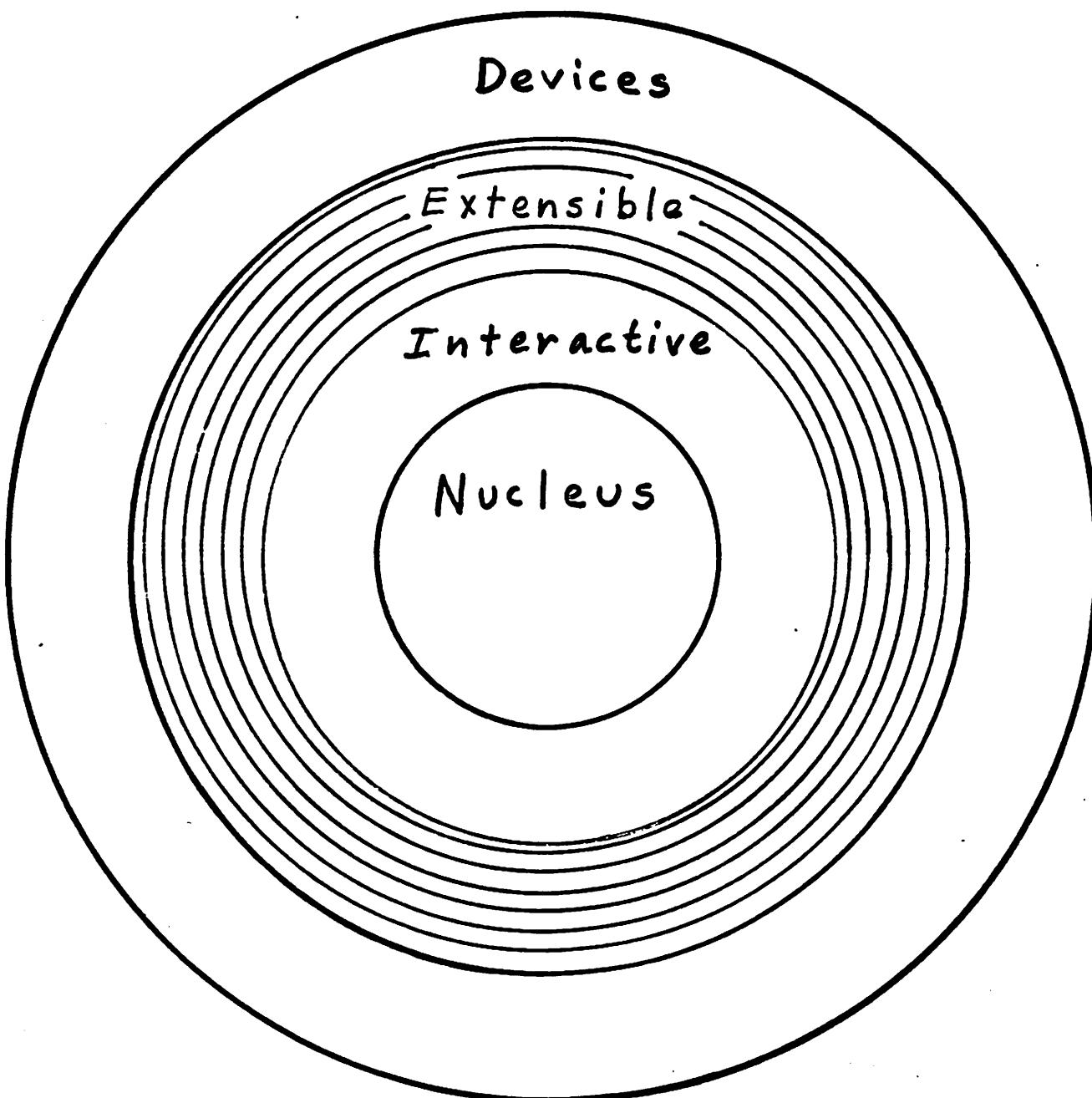
M stands for "mixed"

POLYFORTH has also

M\*/                    d n1, n2 ---  $\frac{d n_1}{n_2}$

## FORTH COMPILER

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The collection of defined FORTH words is called a dictionary.

(from the American Heritage Dictionary:)

**DICTIONARY** — a listing of words ... with specialized information about them.

FORTH's dictionary contains words' names and a compiled form of their definitions in the order they were defined.

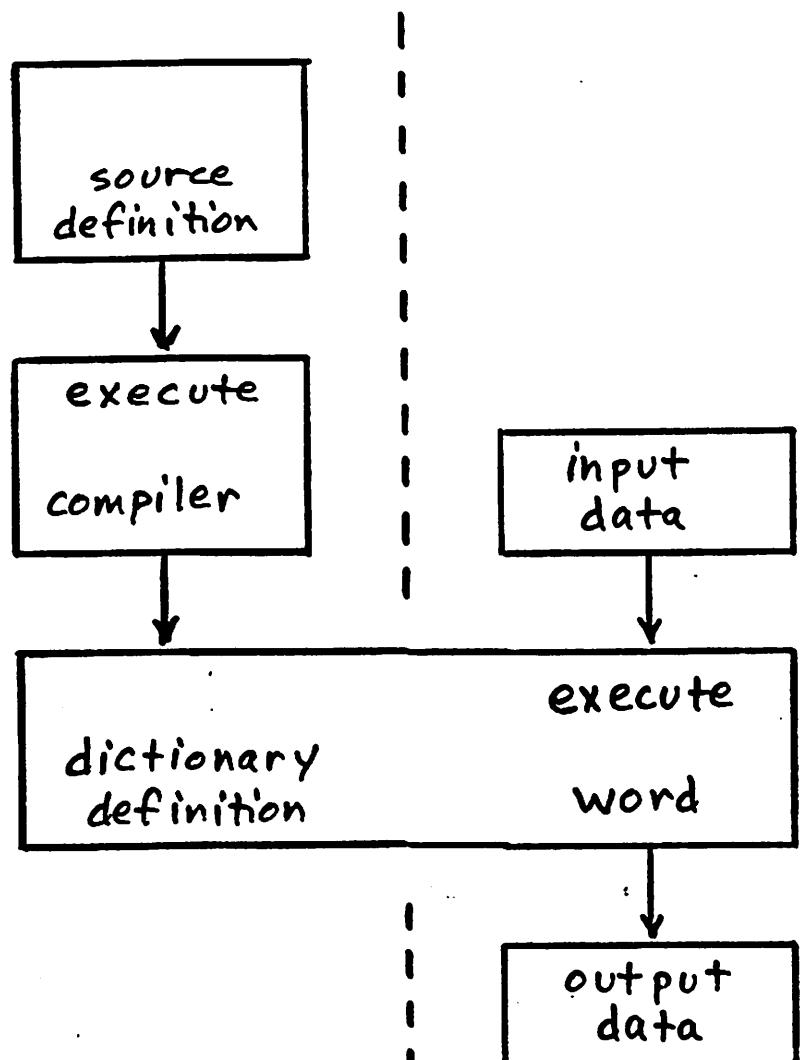
Defining a new word

: new-word      definition ;  
                  previously defined  
                  words or numbers

examples

<u>definition</u>	<u>useage</u>
: 8* 2* 2* 2* ;	7 8* . CR 56 OK
; % 100 */ ;	200 5 % . CR 10 OK

# USING A FORTH COMPILER



Execute the  
compiler;  
Compile a new  
word.

Execute the  
new word.

# 16 bit STACK MANIPULATION OPERATORS

DROP



DUP



SWAP



Should  
never need  
more than  
2 of these  
between  
other words

OVER



ROT



## examples of stack manipulation

3 DUP \* . (CR) 9 OK

: SQUARE DUP \* ; (CR) OK

3 SQUARE . (CR) 9 OK

## SYMBOLIC CONSTANTS

Defining a 16 bit constant

number **CONSTANT**

*a kind of compiler  
distinct  
from ":"*

examples

definitions

10 CONSTANT TEN

useage

TEN . (CR) 10 OK

9430 CONSTANT MY-ZIP

MY-ZIP . (CR) 9430 OK

A **CONSTANT**'s name may be used anywhere a number (literal) can be used.

MY-ZIP TEN 3 \* + . (CR) 9460 OK

# VARIABLES

- a symbol whose value can be changed.

defining a variable

value    VARIABLE    name  
initial value

examples

O	VARIABLE	X
9876	VARIABLE	ZIP

operations on variables

fetch the value

variable-name @  
( pronounced fetch )

change the value

new-value    variable-name !  
( pronounced store )

## examples of using variables

1 X ! (CR) OK

X @ . (CR) 1 OK

MY-ZIP ZIP ! (CR) OK

ZIP @ . (CR) 9430 OK

TEN. 3 + X ! (CR) OK

X @ . (CR) 13 OK

## define additional, useful operators

fetch and display

: ? @ . ;

useage  
X ? (CR) 13 OK

increment contents of a variable

: +! ( increment variable-name --- )

DUP @ ROT + SWAP ! ;

2 X +! (CR) OK

X ? (CR) 15 OK

-5 X +! (CR) OK

X ? (CR) 10 OK

## Base conversion of numbers

the conversion to and from the internal (binary) value and the external, displayed form can be performed according to any base (radix).

### examples

16 HEX . (CR) 10 OK

7FFF DECIMAL . (CR) 32767 OK

40 3 \* 7 + DUP . HEX . (CR) 127 7F OK

this conversion is controlled by the contents of variable BASE

: HEX 16 BASE ! ;  
 : DECIMAL 10 BASE ! ;

could also define  
definition

### usage

: OCTAL 8 BASE ! ; TEN OCTAL . (CR) 12 OK

: BINARY 2 BASE ! ; BINARY 100111 OCTAL .  
 (CR) 47 OK

What is

BASE ?

OCTAL BASE ?

BINARY BASE ?

Define a word to display the value of  
BASE in decimal, regardless of BASE's  
current value.

: ?BASE      BASE @  
                DUP DECIMAL .  
                BASE ! ;

useage

DECIMAL      ?BASE      (CR)      10      OK

HEX            ?BASE      (CR)      16      OK

BINARY        ?BASE      (CR)      2      OK

# How VARIABLES work

variable\_name --- address

examples

BASE .	(CR)	10294	OK
X .	(CR)	7920	OK
ZIP .	(CR)	7930	OK

address operators

address	@	---	contents
value address	!	---	

examples

BASE .	(CR)	10294	OK
10294	@ .	(CR)	10 OK
8 10294	! (CR)	OK	
TEN .	(CR)	12	OK

This is a very simple and general capability.

example ( indirect addressing )

O VARIABLE VALUE

O VARIABLE POINTER  

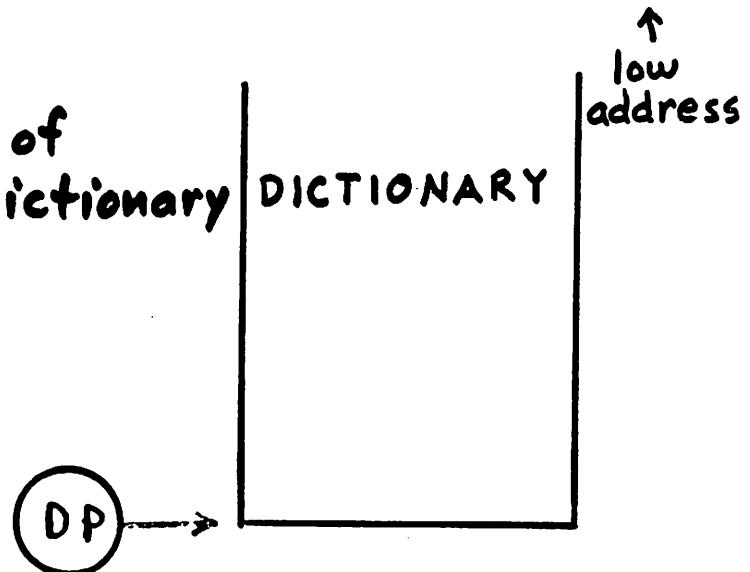
MY-ZIP VALUE !

VALUE POINTER !

POINTER @ @ . (CR) 9430 OK

# DICTIONARY ALLOCATION

HERE --- address of  
top of dictionary  
stack

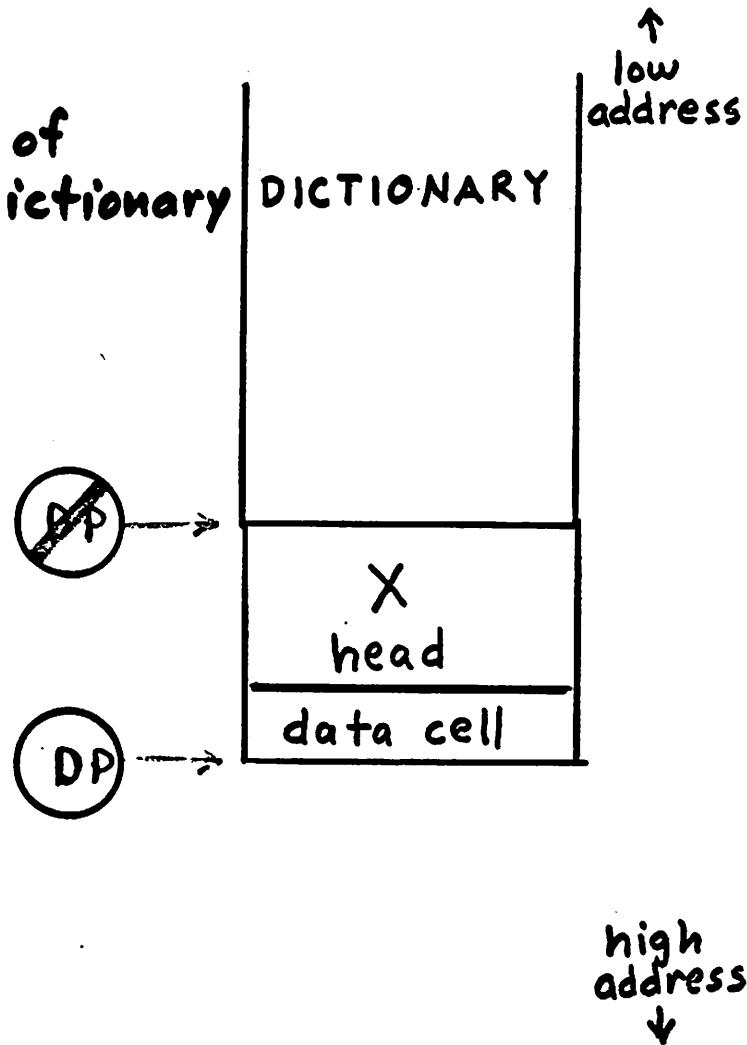


high  
address  
↓

# DICTIONARY ALLOCATION

HERE --- address of  
top of dictionary  
stack

VARIABLE X

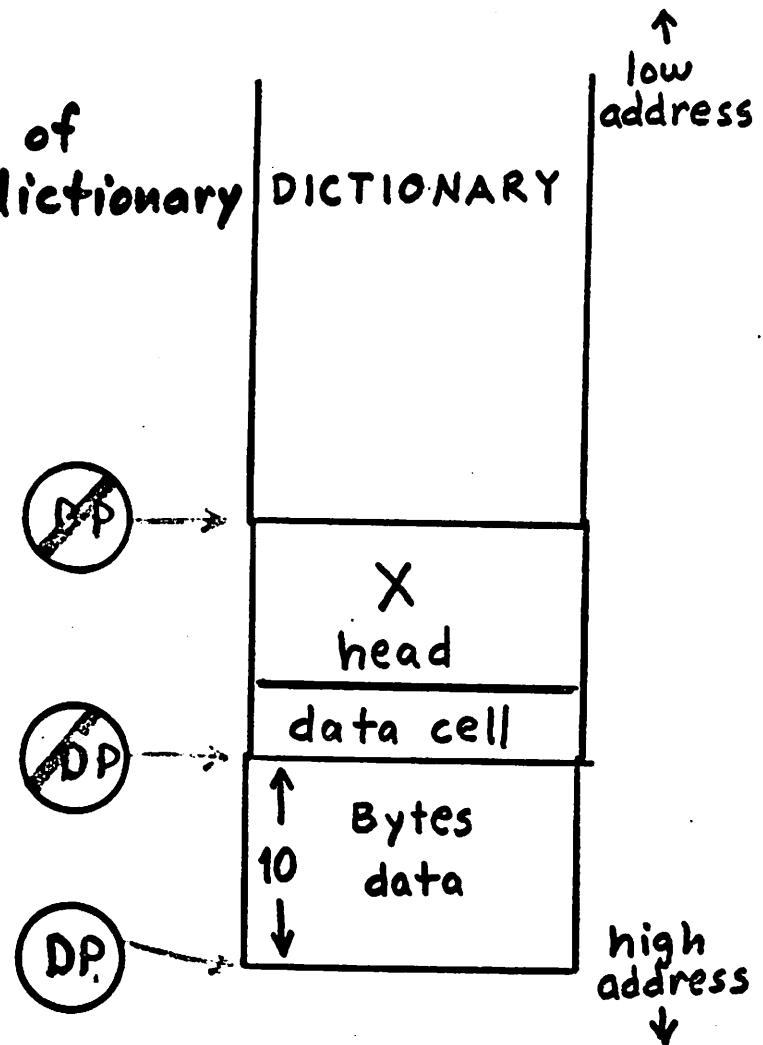


# DICTIONARY ALLOCATION

HERE --- address of  
top of dictionary  
stack

VARIABLE X

10 ALLOT



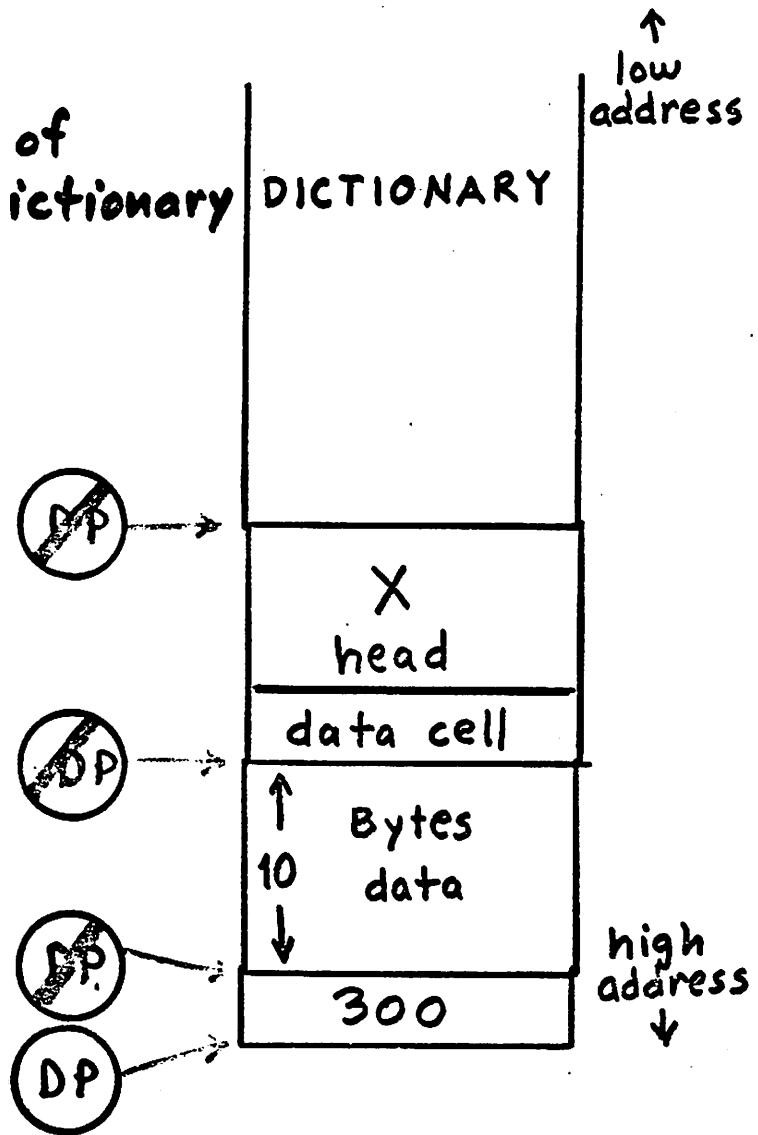
# DICTIONARY ALLOCATION

HERE --- address of  
top of dictionary  
stack

VARIABLE X

10 ALLOT

300 ,



# DICTIONARY ALLOCATION

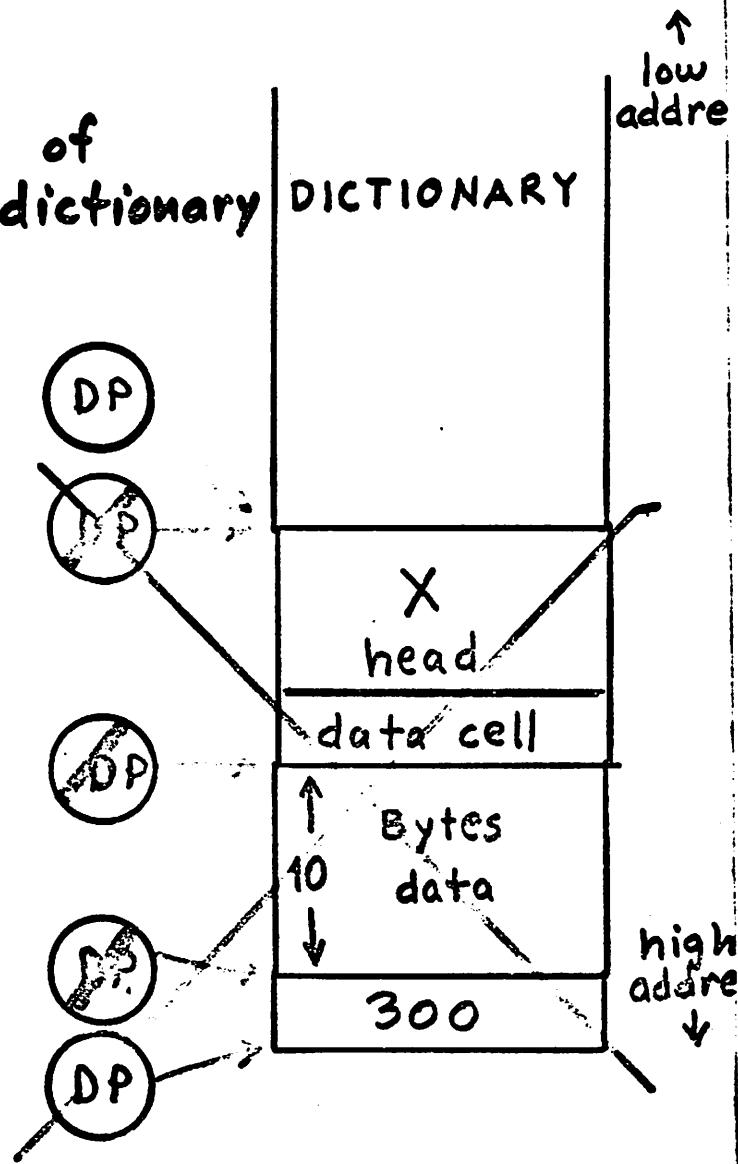
HERE --- address of  
top of dictionary stack

VARIABLE X

10 ALLOT

300 ,

FORGET X



Example of address manipulation: pseudo variable arrays

Defining a variable array

O VARIABLE 'TABLE 6 ALLOT (size 4 cells)

Initializing the array

1	'TABLE	!	( 1st cell )
2	'TABLE	2 + !	( 2nd " )
3	'TABLE	4 + !	( 3rd " )
4	'TABLE	6 + !	( 4th " )

Accessing cells of the array

'TABLE @ .	CR	1 OK	( 1st cell )
'TABLE 4 + @ .	CR	3 OK	( 3rd cell )

To simplify cell selection and to improve readability, define

: TABLE ( subscript --- addr-of-cell )  
 2\* 'TABLE + ;

then

0 TABLE @ .	CR	1 OK	( 1st cell )
2 TABLE @ .	CR	3 OK	( 3rd cell )

or if you prefer subscripts to start at 1,  
define

: TABLE ( subscript --- addr-of-cell )  
1- 2\* 'TABLE + ;

then

1 TABLE	@ . (CR)	1 OK	( 1st cell)
2 TABLE	@ . (CR)	2 OK	( 2nd cell)

Another way to create an initialized  
variable array

1 VARIABLE 'TABLE 2 , 3 , 4 ,  
( size is 4 cells )

↑  
"compiles" top stack  
value into dictionary

Access is the same as before

2 TABLE @ . (CR) 2 OK ( 2nd cell )

-15 2 TABLE ! (CR) OK ( 2nd cell )

'TABLE 2 + ? (CR) -15 OK ( 2nd cell )

## Searching the dictionary:

PFA

\* name --- { if found, returns the address  
of this name in the  
dictionary  
else, name ? (abort)  
( pronounced "tick" )

useful for

determining if a word is in the dictionary  
without executing it,

determining if a new name "collides" with  
an existing word,

obtaining the dictionary address of a word.

Examples:

\* FORTH . (CR) 7534 ok

\* SCRUB . (CR) SCRUB ?

## Executing a word in the dictionary:

name in interpret state, searches the dictionary and executes the word

or, can execute a word given its dictionary address:

dictionary-address CFA EXECUTE

causes the word at that address to be executed.

### Example: deferred execution

: GREET ." How are you? " ;

O VARIABLE DEFER

' GREET DEFER !

This idea is  
used for  
(computed go to)

DEFER @ CFA EXECUTE (CR) How are you? ok

# STRUCTURED PROGRAMMING

successive refinement

hierarchical decomposition of a problem

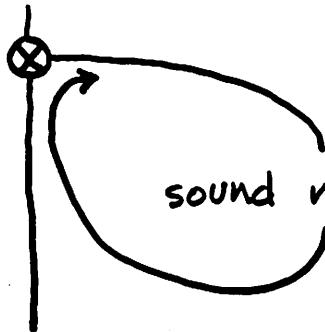
top-down      start at entire application's function

bottom-up      start at primitive, fundamental operations

example: music playing program

song      PLAY

instrument on



instrument off  
end

instrument on

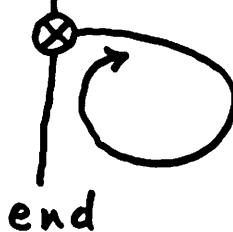
set tempo  
set scale  
end

instrument off

quiet  
end

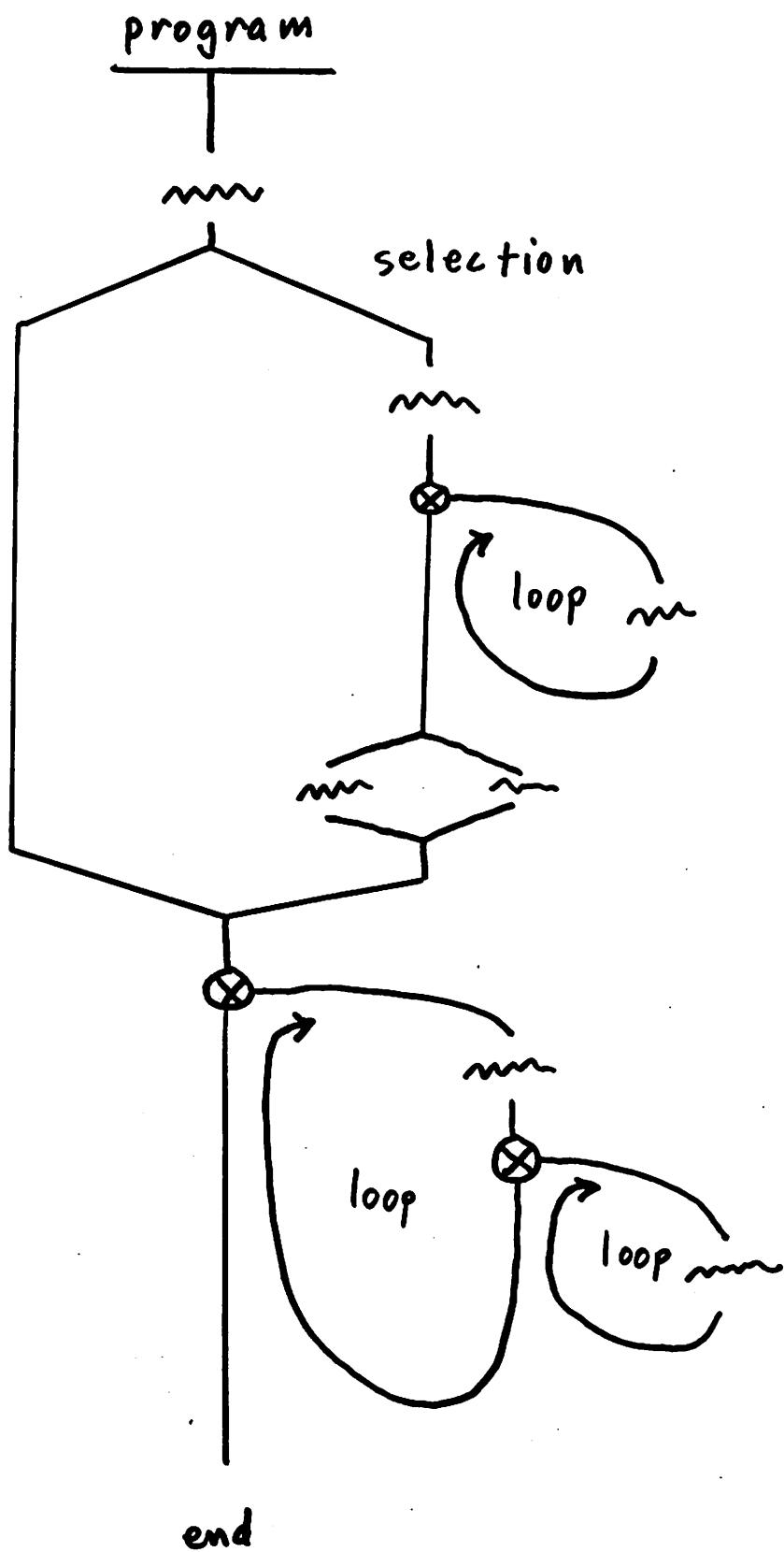
sound next note

set frequency  
start sound  
wait for  
note's duration  
stop sound  
end

wait for note's duration

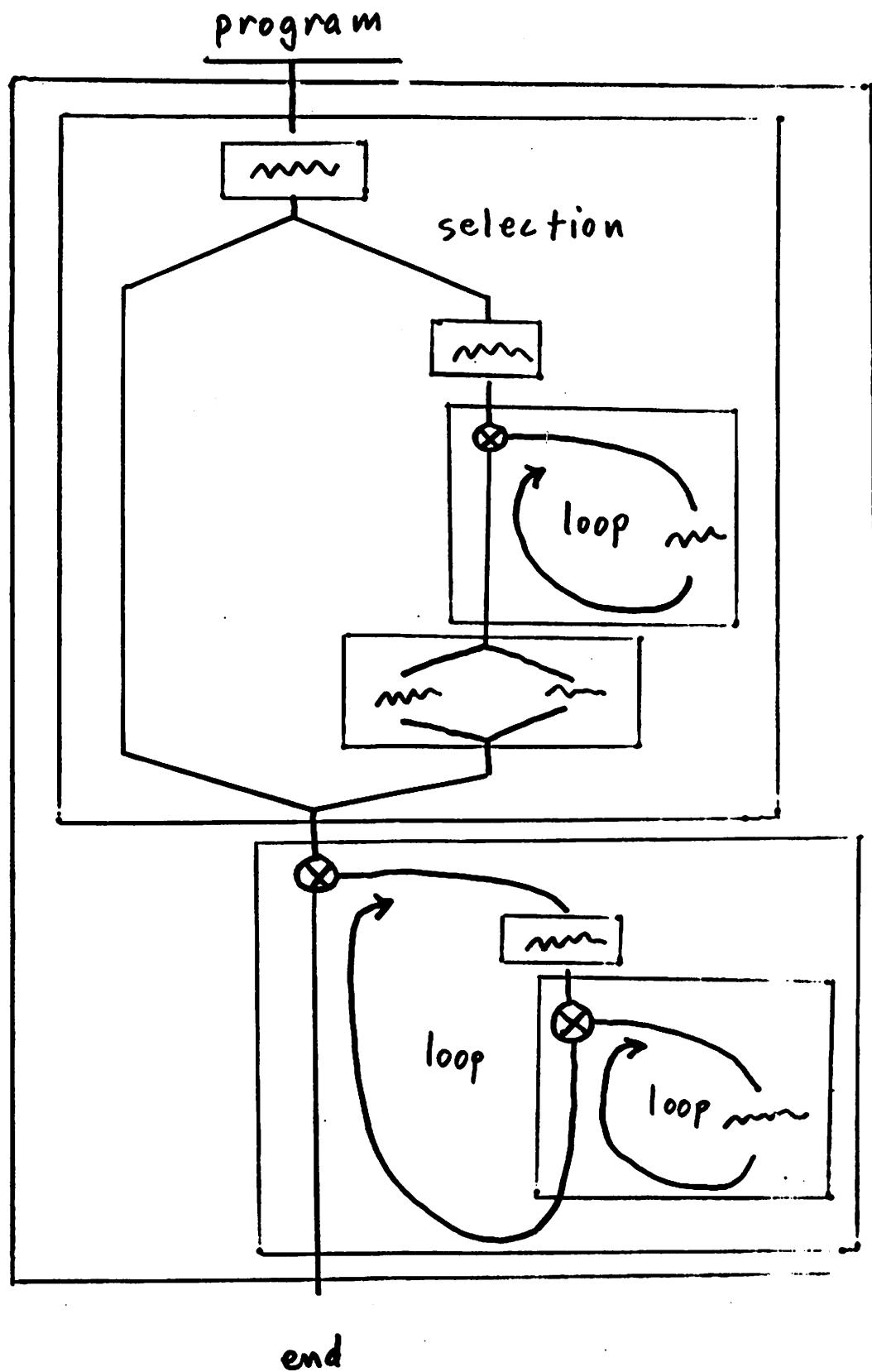
end

Structured programming provides a uniform way to break a complicated structure into simple parts.



RULE: 1 control path in ; 1 control path out  
data data

Structured programming provides a uniform way to break a complicated structure into simple parts.



end

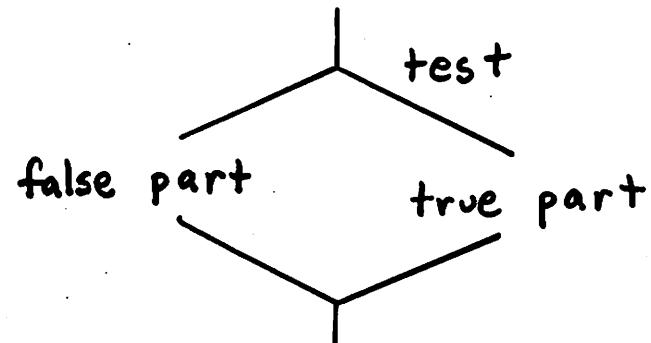
RULE: 1 control path in ; 1 control path out  
data data

# D-CHARTS

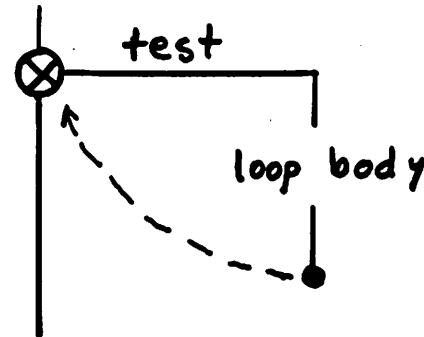
sequential operations:

step one  
step two  
step three  
⋮

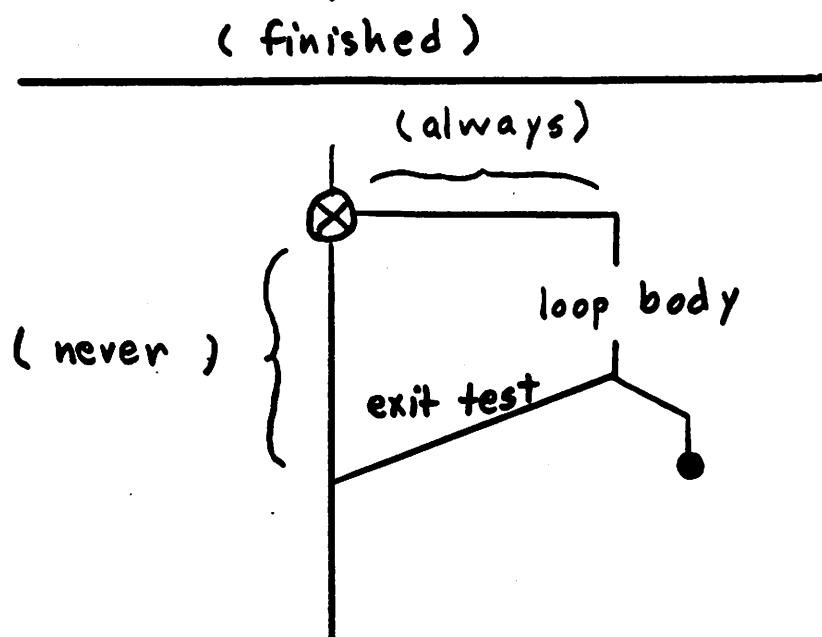
selection:



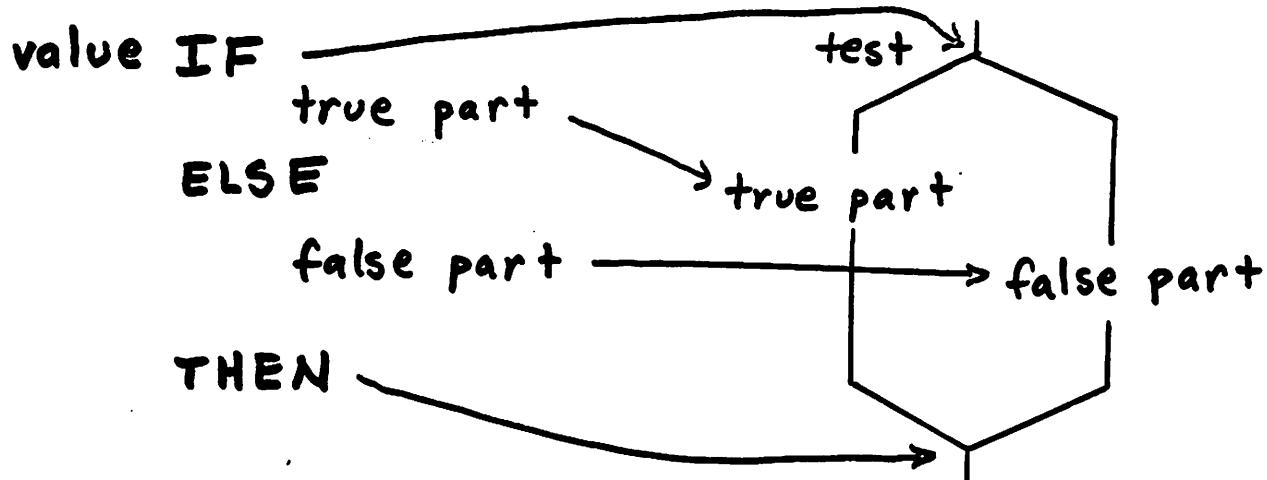
loop:



or



# FORTH compiler control structure for SELECTION



value = 0 means false

value ≠ 0 means true

example:

### definition

```
: TEST IF ." TRUE " ELSE ." FALSE "
      THEN ;
```

### usage

- 1 TEST CR TRUE OK
- 0 TEST CR FALSE OK
- 15 TEST CR TRUE OK

NOTE: IF, ELSE and THEN can be used  
only within a : definition.

# COMPARISON OPERATORS

~ 16 bit signed integer:

$$0 = \quad n \quad --- \quad \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$0 < \quad n \quad --- \quad \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \geq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \quad n_1 \quad n_2 \quad --- \quad \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n_1 \neq n_2 \\ 1 & \text{if } n_1 = n_2 \end{cases}$$

$$- \quad n_1 \quad n_2 \quad --- \quad \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n_1 = n_2 \\ \neq 0 & \text{if } n_1 \neq n_2 \end{cases}$$

$$< \quad n_1 \quad n_2 \quad --- \quad \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n_1 \geq n_2 \\ 1 & \text{if } n_1 < n_2 \end{cases}$$

$$> \quad n_1 \quad n_2 \quad --- \quad \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n_1 \leq n_2 \\ 1 & \text{if } n_1 > n_2 \end{cases}$$

## comparison examples

0 0= TEST  TRUE OK

1 0= TEST  FALSE OK

-1 0< TEST  TRUE OK

4 3 = TEST  FALSE OK

-4 -3 < TEST  TRUE OK

1 10 > TEST  FALSE OK

# Nesting IF structures

c1 IF

s1

c2 IF

s2

ELSE

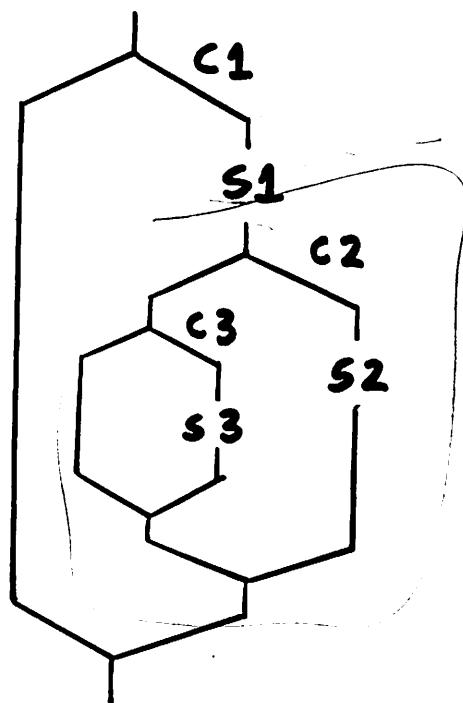
c3 IF

s3

THEN

THEN

THEN

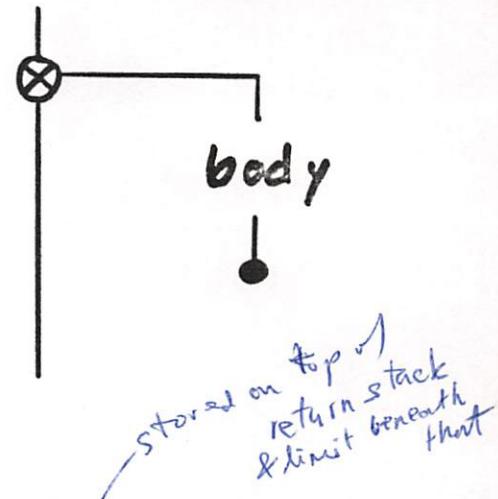


## DO LOOPS

final initial DO

loop body

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{LOOP} \\ \text{or} \\ \text{inc +LOOP} \end{array} \right.$



function:

DO removes 2 parameters, sets  $\text{index} \leftarrow \text{initial}$   
 loop body always executed once

LOOP adds 1 to index,  
 exits loop if  $\text{index} \geq \text{final}$   
 otherwise, branches back to DO

+LOOP removes inc, adds it to index  
 exit condition:  $\text{inc} > 0$  exit if  $\text{index} \geq \text{final}$   
 $\text{inc} < 0$  exit if  $\text{index} \leq \text{final}$

within loop body

I --- current loop index

so I remains valid

LEAVE sets  $\text{limit} \leftarrow \text{current loop index}$   
 so will exit next time at  
 LOOP or +LOOP

NOTE:

DO, LOOP, +LOOP, & LEAVE  
 can be used only within : definitions.

# examples of DO loops:

L2:  
fig

: COUNT DO I. LOOP ;

4 0 COUNT CR 0 1 2 3 OK

0 4 COUNT CR 4 OK

-16 -20 COUNT -20 -19 -18 -17 OK

: 2+COUNT DO I. 2 +LOOP ;

10 0 2+COUNT CR 0 2 4 6 8 OK

9 0 2+COUNT CR 0 2 4 6 8 OK

: 10-COUNT DO I. -10 +LOOP ;

50 100 10-COUNT CR 100 90 80 70 60 OK

: INC-COUNT DO  
I. DUP

+LOOP

DROP ;

1 5 0 INC-COUNT CR 0 1 2 3 4 OK

2 5 0 INC-COUNT CR 0 2 4 OK

-3 -10 5 INC-COUNT CR 5 2 -1 -4 -7 OK

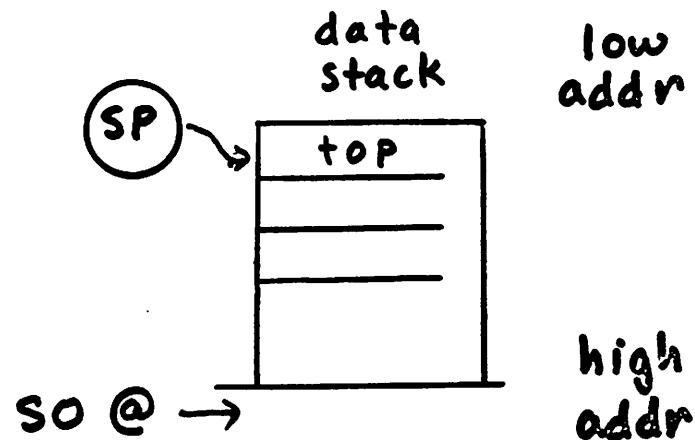
: +COUNT DO  
I . I O= IF  
LEAVE  
THEN  
LOOP ;

5 1 +COUNT CR 1 2 3 4 OK

5 -3 +COUNT CR -3 -2 -1 0 OK

non-destructive stack print  
with top to the right  
for fig FORTH

$SP@$  --- value of  $SP$   
= address of  
top stack cell



number of cells on the stack:

: DEPTH SO @ SP@ - 2 / 1 - ;

stack dump :

: .S

SP@ 2 - SO @ 2 -  
DO I @ . -2 +LOOP

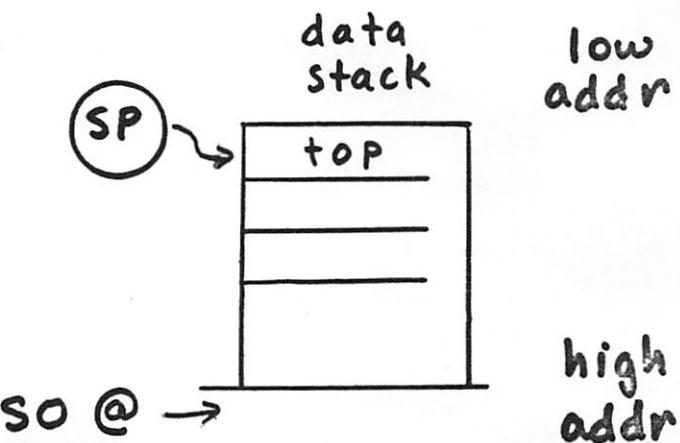
;

usage

1 2 3 .S (CR) 1 2 3 OK

non-destructive stack print  
with top to the right  
for fig FORTH

$SP@$  --- value of SP  
= address of  
top stack cell



number of cells on the stack:

: DEPTH SO @ SP@ - 2 / 1 - ;

stack dump :

: .S DEPTH IF  
SP@ 2 - SO @ 2 -  
DO I @ . -2 +LOOP  
ELSE ." Empty " THEN  
;

usage

1 2 3 .S CR 1 2 3 OK

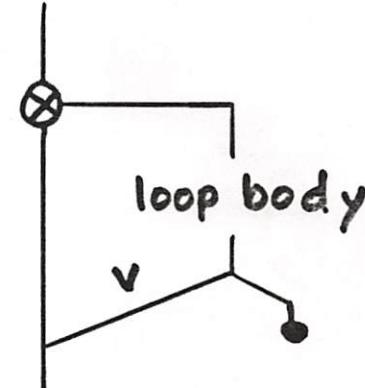
: PICK (n --- n-th item)

2 \* SP@ + @ ;

## conditional loops

loop UNTIL a condition becomes true

BEGIN  
 loop body  
 v UNTIL



function:

loop body is always executed once

UNTIL removes v

exit loop if  $v \neq 0$  (true)branch to BEGIN if  $v = 0$  (false)

NOTE: BEGIN &amp; UNTIL can be used

only within : definitions

examples:

: COUNT-DOWN BEGIN

DUP . 1- DUP 0=

UNTIL DROP ;

---

 5 COUNT-DOWN (CR) 5 4 3 2 1 OK

: HALVES BEGIN

DUP . 2/ DUP 0=

UNTIL DROP ;

---

 16 HALVES (CR) 16 8 4 2 1 OK

Could  
use  
→ DUP  
which  
doesn't  
drop when  
have 0

## conditional loops

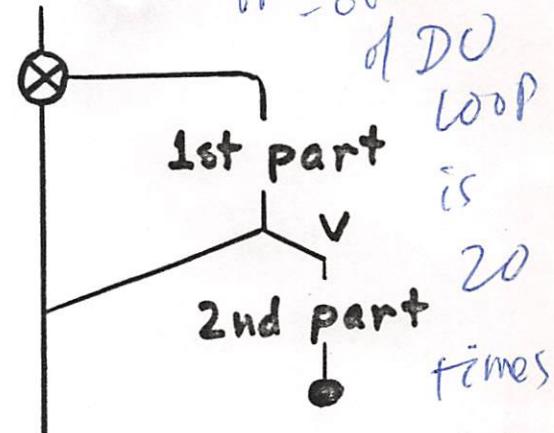
loop WHILE a condition remains true

Very efficient  
- overhead  
of DO  
loop  
is  
20  
times

```

BEGIN
  1st part loop body
  v WHILE
    2nd part loop body
  REPEAT

```



function:

1st part loop body always executed once

WHILE removes V

exit loop if  $v = 0$  (false)

(ie, branch to REPEAT)

otherwise, execute 2nd part

then branch to BEGIN

NOTE: BEGIN, WHILE, &amp; REPEAT

can be used only within : definitions

This structure is very general.

Either loop body part may be omitted.

If the 1st part is omitted, then this is a  
loop with a pre-test.

# FORTH EDITOR

Application ←

Layers

Devices

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# fig FORTH Editor: Bootstrap & Extensions

HEX

```
: TEXT HERE C/L 1+ BLANKS WORD HERE PAD C/L 1+ CMOVE ;
: LINE DUP FFF0 AND 17 ?ERROR SCR @ (LINE) DROP ;
: -MOVE LINE C/L CMOVE UPDATE ;
: P 1 TEXT PAD 1+ SWAP -MOVE ;
```

DECIMAL

These words define the elementary editing command "P" which places a line of text on a screen. Blanks are significant. FORTH should respond "OK" after each line is entered. The syntax for its use is:

line-number P text-to-be-entered-on-the-line

For example, to enter line one of screen 87 type:

1 P FORTH DEFINITIONS HEX

and type return. FORTH should respond "OK". If you then type:

screen-number LIST

you should see that text at line number 1.

16 LIST

SCR # 16

```
0 ( Screen Editor,,, CLEAR COPY )
1 : CLEAR          ( CLEAR screen by number-1* )
2  SCR ! 10 0 DO FORTH I EDITOR E LOOP ;
3
4 : COPY           ( duplicate screen-2 onto screen-1 * )
5  B/SCR * UFSET @ + SWAP B/SCR * B/SCR OVER + SWAP
6  DO DUP FORTH I BLOCK 2 - ! 1+ UPDATE LOOP
7  DROP FLUSH ;
8  EDITOR
9 : WIPE          ( listScr# lastScr# --- blanks range of screens )
10 1+ SWAP DO FORTH I EDITOR CLEAR LOOP ;
11
12 : RIGHT         ( listScr# lastScr# --- )
13  ( copies range of screens from DR0 to DR1 )
14 1+ SWAP DO FORTH I I FA + EDITOR COPY LOOP ;
15
```

OK

Hex ↵

17 LIST

SCR # 17

```
0 ( EDITOR: NEW )
1 DECIMAL
2 : NEW           ( line# --- replaces text from line# until null line)
3  FORTH 16 0 DO CR I 3 ,R SPACE . I OVER =
4  IF   QUERY i TEXT PAD 1+ 0@
5  IF ( not null line ) I EDITOR R FORTH 1+
6  ELSE 0B EMIT ( BS ) I SCR @ ,LINE
7  THEN
8  ELSE I SCR @ ,LINE
9  THEN LOOP DROP ;
```

10

11

SCR # 148

```

0 ( double number support
1 ( operates on 32 bit double numbers or two 16-bit integers )
2
3 : 2DROP DROP DROP ; ( drop double number )
4
5 : 2DUP OVER OVER ; ( duplicate a double number )
6
7 : 2SWAP ROT >R ROT - R> ;
8 ( bring second double to top of stack )
9 ;S
10
11
12 XXXXX
13
14
15

```

SCR # 149

```

0 ( String MATCH for editor PM-WFR-80APR25 )
1 : (MATCH) ( address-3, address-2, count-1 --- )
2 ( leave boolean matched=non-zero, nope=zero )
3 -DUP IF OVER + SWAP ( neither address may be zero ! )
4 DO DUP C@ FORTH I C@ -
5 IF 0= LEAVE ELSE 1+ THEN LOOP
6 ELSE DROP 0= THEN ;
7 : MATCH ( cursor address-4, bytes left-3, string address-2, )
8 ( string count-1, --- boolean-2, cursor movement-1 )
9 >R >R 2DUP R> R> 2SWAP OVER + SWAP
10 ( caddr-6, bleft-5, $addr-4, $len-3, caddr+bleft-2, caddr-1 )
11 DO 2DUP FORTH I SWAP (MATCH)
12 IF >R 2DROP R> FORTH I SWAP - 0 SWAP 0 0 LEAVE
13 ( caddr bleft $addr $len or else 0 offset 0 0 )
14 THEN LOOP 2DROP (caddr-2, bleft-1, or 0-2, offset-1 )
15 SWAP 0= SWAP ;
OK

```

MATCH finds ok but cursor advancement  
must step over the found string. Parameter  
return must be incremented by string length!

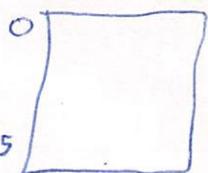
This patch is untested!

*R> - ← Add same as in NAVTIL OS Editor source*

Scr 71

Scr# LOAD reverts in execution & compilations at end of screen (a block, if sooner)

64 char's



## figFORTH EDITOR GLOSSARY

\*LAG --- addr n 88  
Leave address of start of current line in a disk buffer.  
Also leave n, the # characters following the current cursor position.

\*LEAD --- addr offset 88  
Leave the address of the start of the current line and the offset to the current cursor position.

\*LOCATE --- offset line# 88  
Leave the current cursor offset relative to start of line and current line#. Uses contents of R#.

-MOVE addr line# --- 88  
Move C/L characters from addr to line# of the current screen on the disk.

CLEAR screen# ---  
Erase the designated screen with blanks.

COPY source# dest# ---  
Copy contents of screen from source# to dest#.

D line# --- 89  
Copy line# of current screen to PAD. Delete it by copying lower lines up one line and erase line 15.

E line# --- 89  
Erase line# of current screen with blanks.

H line# --- 89 (nondestructive)  
Copy line# of current screen to PAD.

I line# --- 91  
Insert the contents of PAD after line# of current screen. Lines below line# are moved down one line; the contents on line 15 is lost.

L --- 90  
Relist the current screen then the current line followed by the current line number. Uses the contents of SCR.

LINE line# --- addr 87  
Leave the address of line# of the current screen.

M n --- 90  
Move the cursor by the signed number of characters, n.  
Print the current line followed by its line number.

NEW line# ---  
Print the current screen down to line#. Replace lines with entered text until a null line is entered (ie, (CR) only) then print the remainder of the screen.

P line# --- 91  
Put text following P in line# of current screen.  
Previous contents of this line is lost.

C Copy text following the space after C at the cursor pos'n, pushing the remaining line contents to the right ← "insert" (same as MNP FORTH's I)  
X Extract text following the space after X, sliding the remainder of the line to the left (same as MNP FORTH's D)

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Note: If right end of line has a char, and left end of next line has a char, then APPLICATION LOAD

the "word" overlapping the line boundary will get "sucked" into the current line and the next line will be slid to the left accordingly

use  
LOAD (as  
forward) to stuff  
a lot of

any excess overflows

Chops

to the left

accordingly

(52)

— R              line# ---              91  
Copy line at PAD to current screen at line# .

— S              line# ---              89  
Spread lines of the current screen. line# becomes blank, the previous contents of this line is moved down one line as are lower lines. Line 15 is lost.

— T              line# ---              90  
Make line# the current line of the current screen. Move the cursor to the beginning of this line, copy it to PAD , then print the line followed by its line number.

TEXT              delim ---              87  
Move text from TIB to PAD until delim character is encountered.

— TOP              ---              91  
Move cursor to the beginning of the current screen.

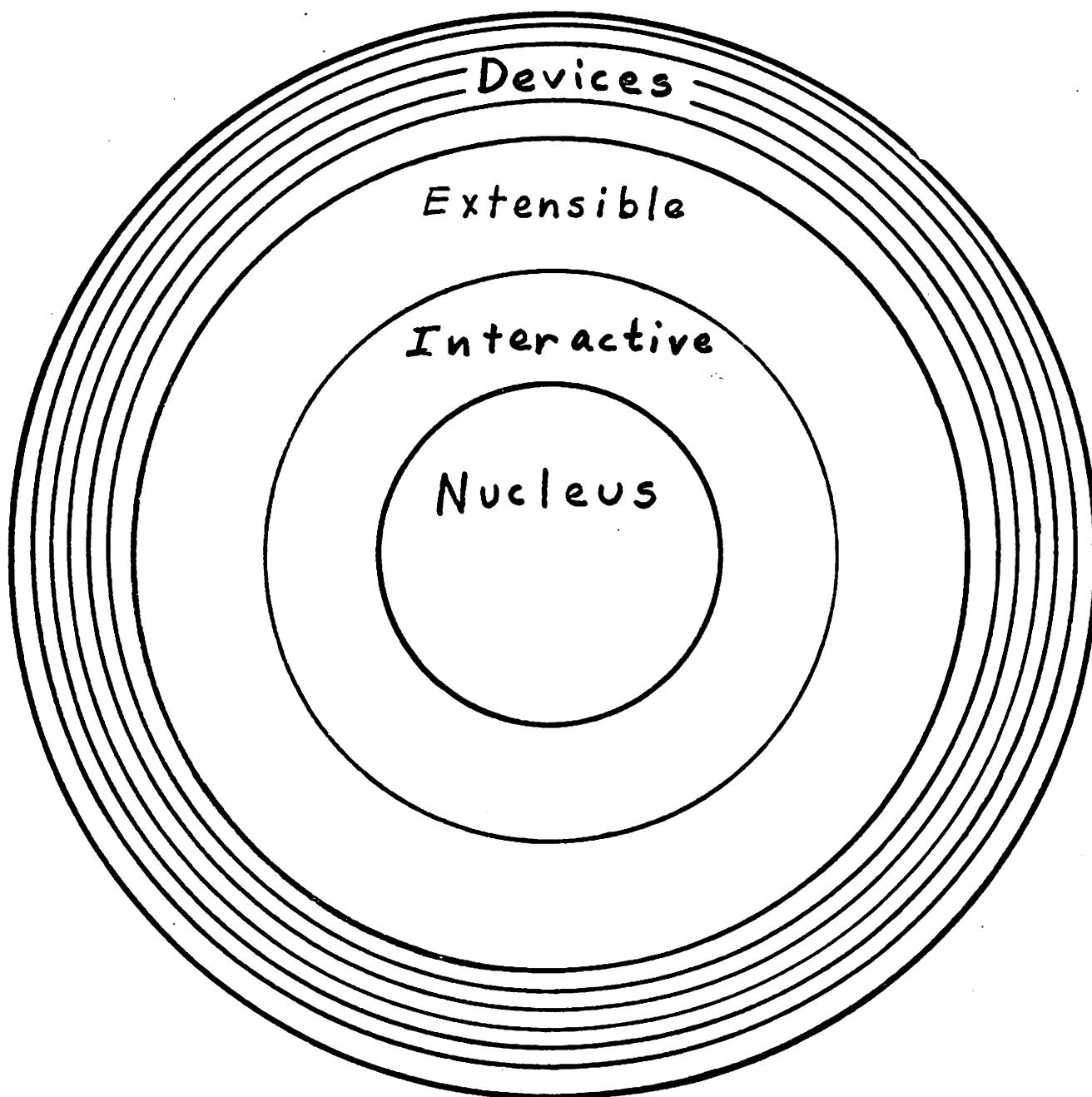
— WHERE              in blk# ---              88  
List the screen corresponding to blk# and type the line where in is pointing ( the contents of IN ) inside the screen. Used after a compilation error from mass storage (ie, a LOAD ).

;**S** forces immediate termination of loading of the screen

on line 0 ; add a screen description & date , author I.D.

# MASS STORAGE

Application  
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# MASS STORAGE

## a generalized interface

single density  
8" floppy

256 K bytes

double density  
8" floppy

512K bytes

hard  
winchester

10M bytes



22.8M bytes

10 501.. 32 767

blocks 0.. 249

250.. 749

750.. 10 500

*example*

block # mass storage address  
of 1024 byte "block"

← directs you  
to appropriate  
device

A 16 bit block# addresses 33.5 M bytes

A 32 bit block# addresses 2.2 tera bytes

to a program

to a device

logical  
block #

mapping  
process

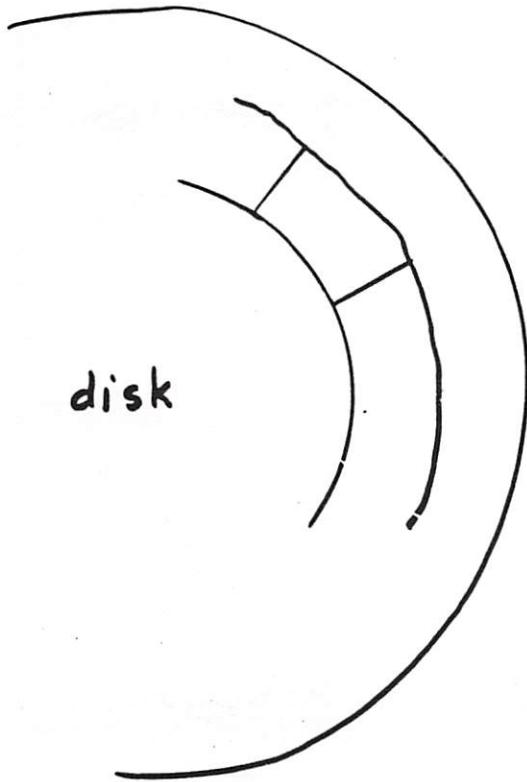


physical  
block #

OFFSET @ +

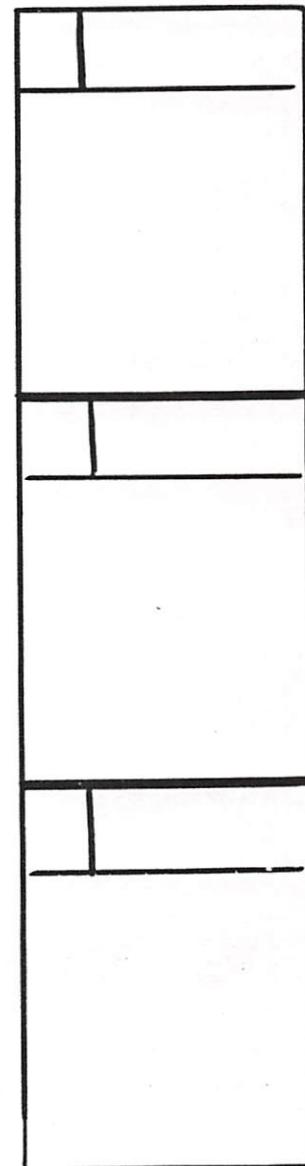
Add B/BUF (const.) bytes/Buffer

# DISK ACCESS



disk

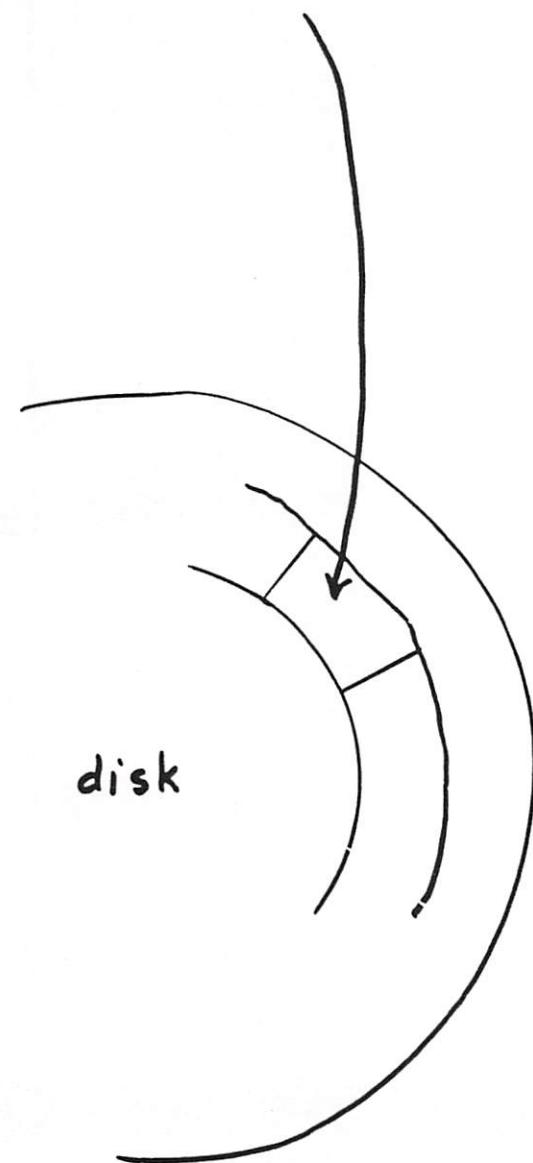
disk  
buffers



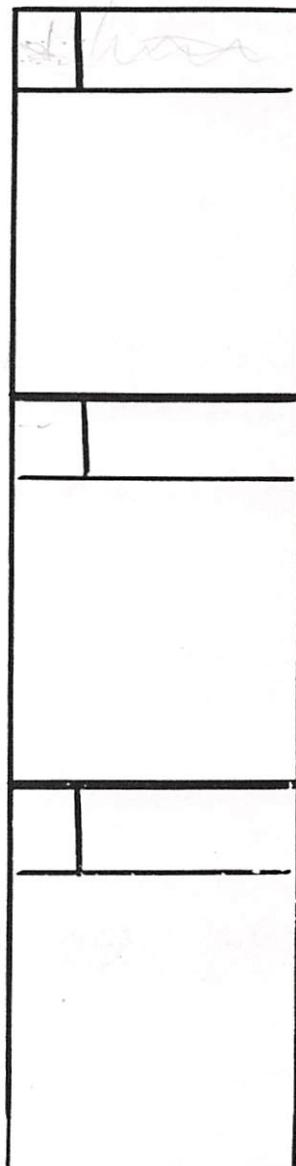
no. of buffers  
& size  
defined by  
constant  
equates  
128 bytes  
in 8080  
version

# DISK ACCESS

blk# BLOCK (takes care of I/O operation)

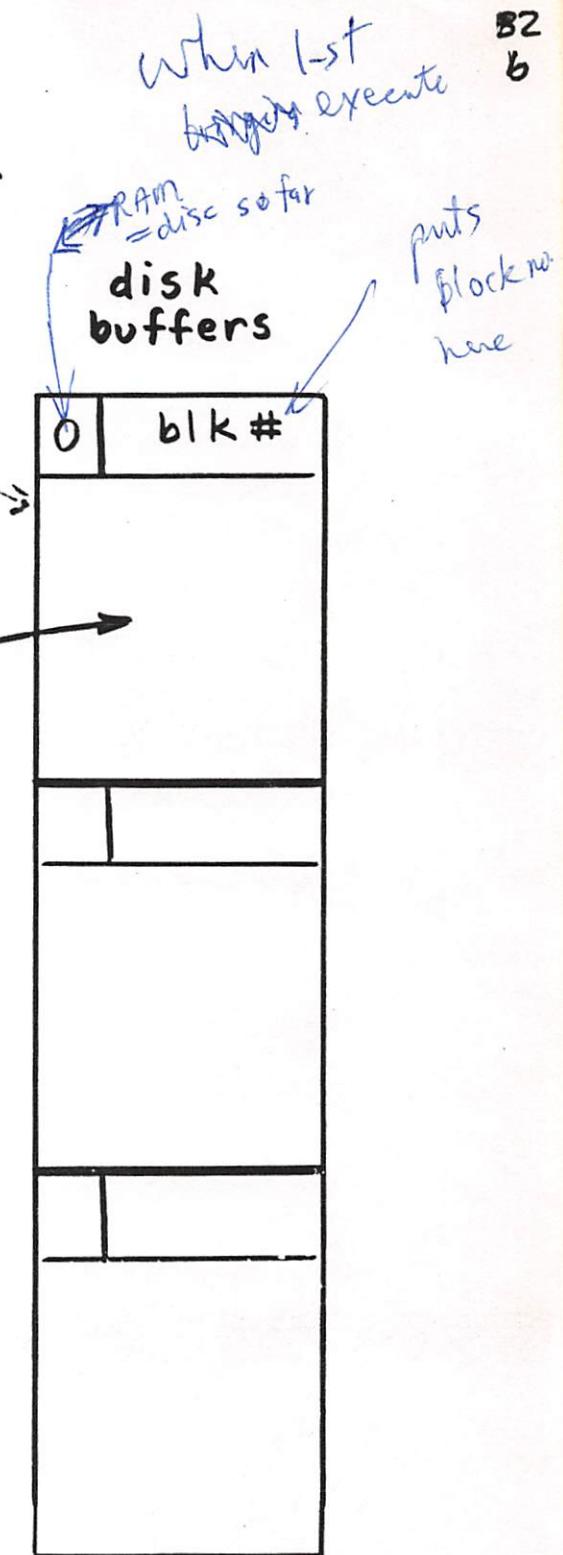


disk  
buffers



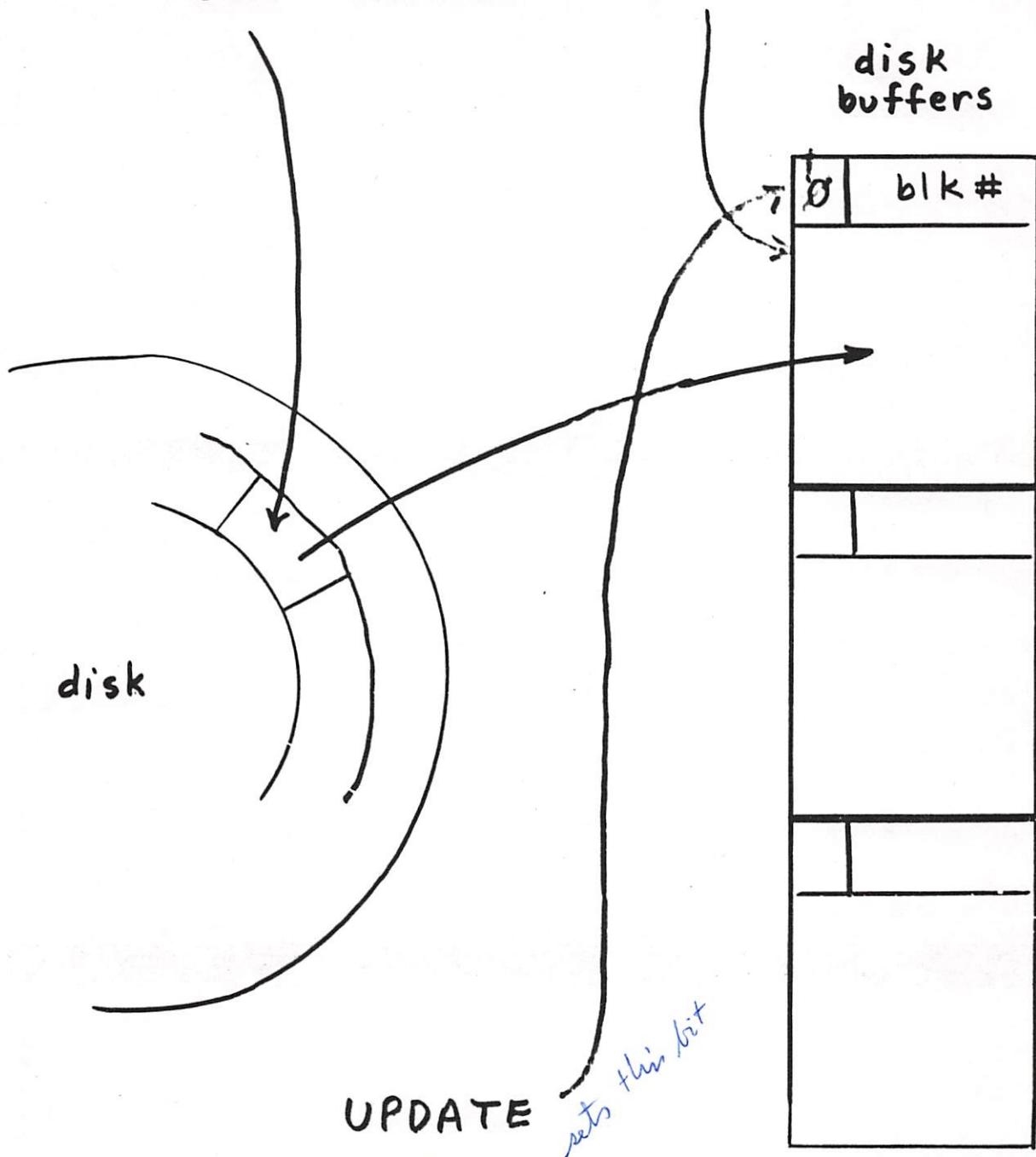
## DISK ACCESS

blk# BLOCK --- addr



# DISK ACCESS

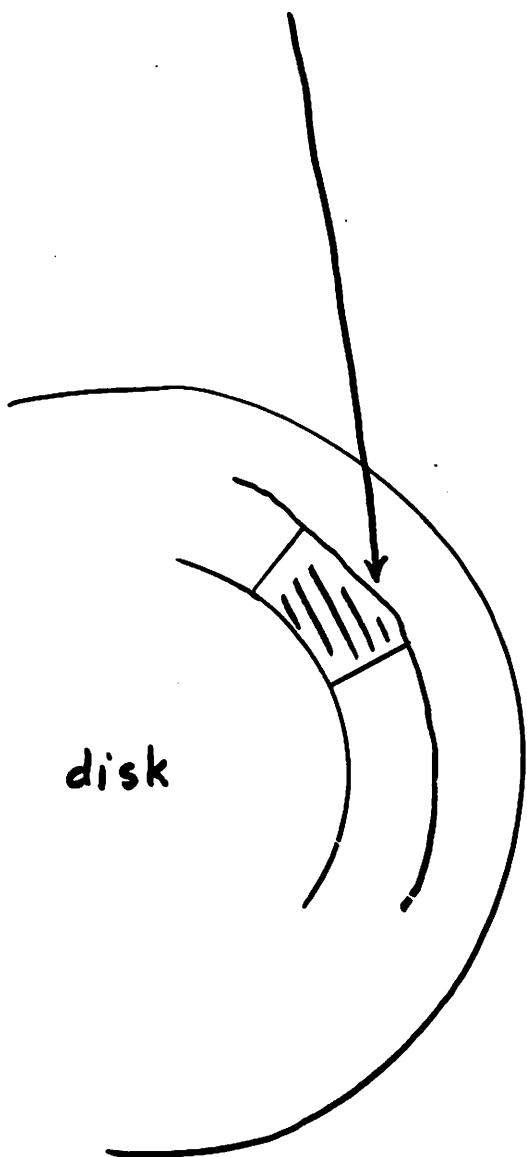
blk# BLOCK --- addr



must execute to tell system buffer  
is "dirty"

# DISK ACCESS

100 BLOCK --- addr



no read performed

disk  
buffers

0	100
1	200
1	300

## DISK ACCESS

101 BLOCK



disk

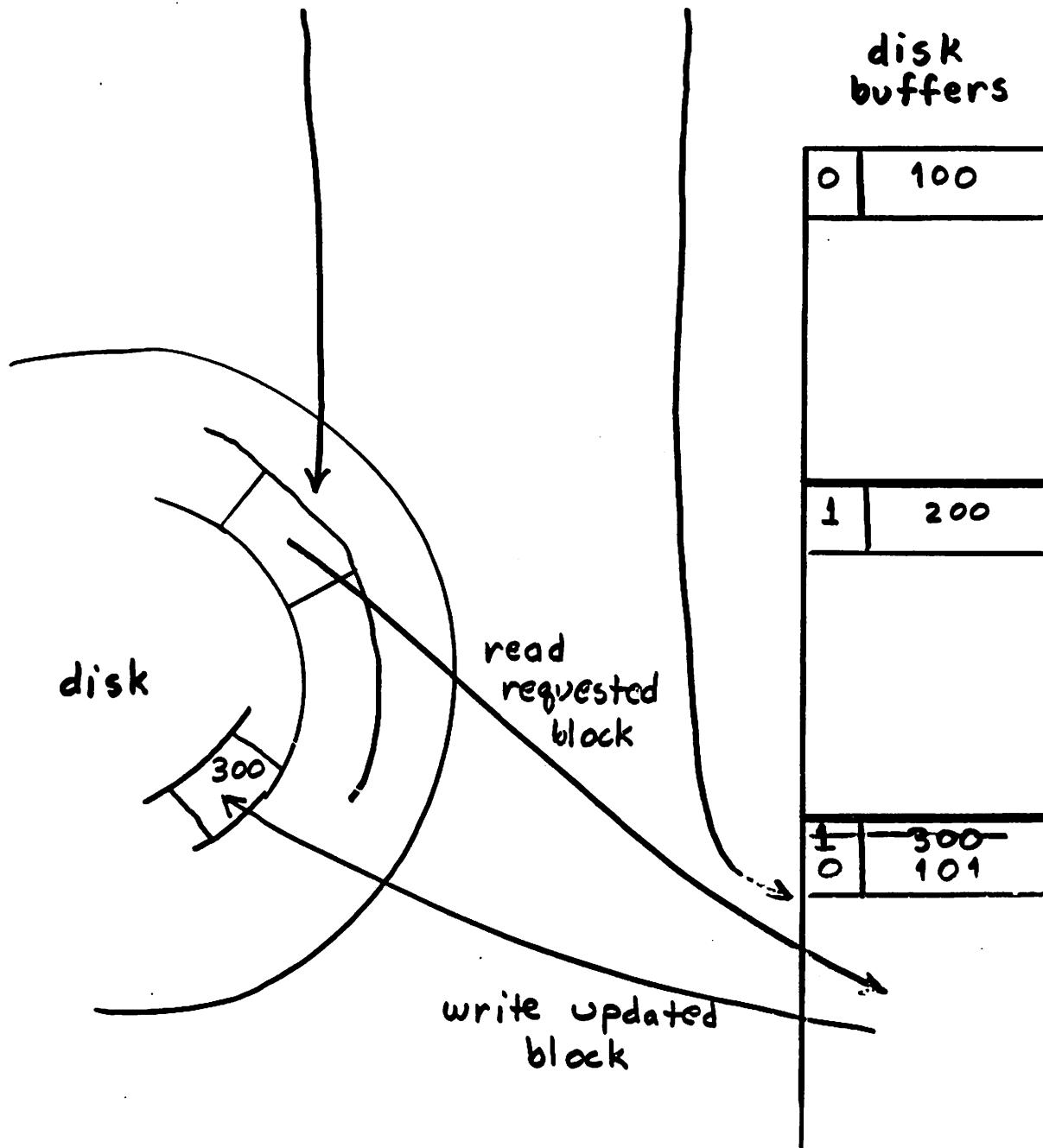
write updated  
blockdisk  
buffers

0	100
1	200
1	300

variable?  
PREV points to "oldest"  
 ↗ an algorithm to  
 decide which buffer  
 to collect & reuse

## DISK ACCESS

101 BLOCK ... addr



## disk operations:

**FLUSH** forces all UPDATED buffers to be written to mass storage

**MUST** be executed:

before changing disks

before powering down

before restarting system

can be executed:

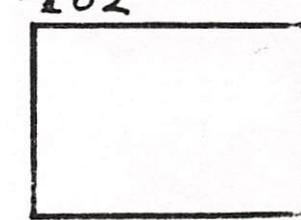
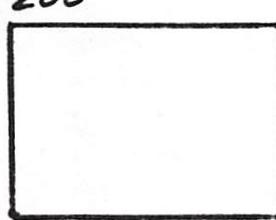
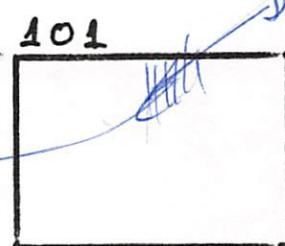
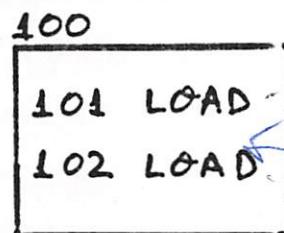
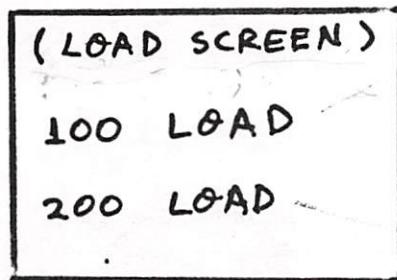
after editing

**EMPTY-BUFFERS** writes 0's into all disk buffers without writing any UPDATED buffers to disk

Buffers are shared by all users.

**screen# LIST** displays screen at terminal (or other device)

**screen# LOAD** interprets & compiles screen nestable:



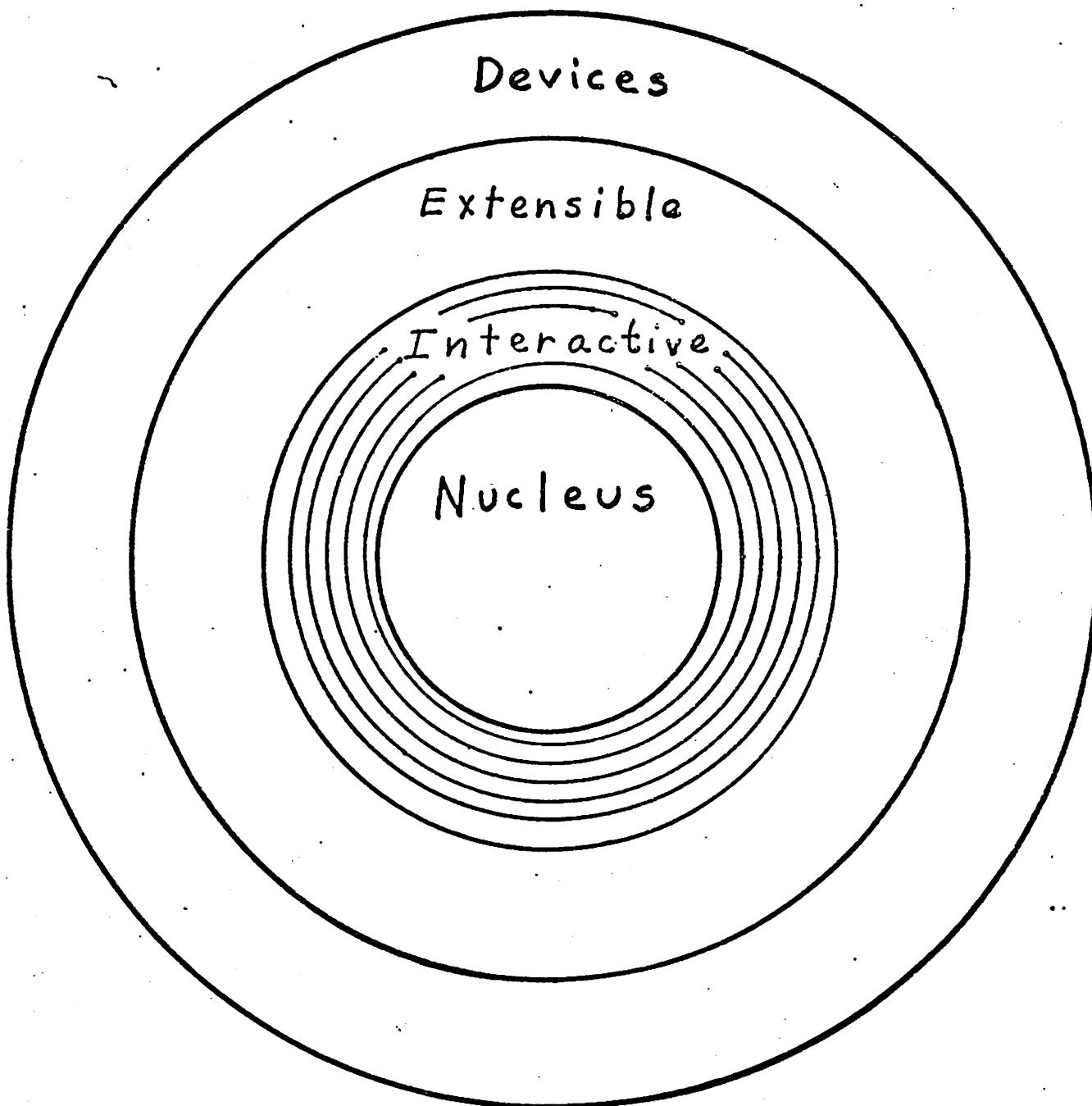
within a screen ;S terminates LOAD.

Start screen, end screen, INDEX

- types out lines 0

# STRING OPERATIONS

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# STRING HANDLING

Input

Conversion

Numeric string  $\leftrightarrow$  binary

Copying

Formatting

Comparison

Output

## STRING INPUT

Read a string of characters from  
your terminal  
(or a communications channel)

dest\_addr max#chars EXPECT

performs Back Space editing

terminates when { max# chars entered

} or

$\textcircled{CR}$  entered

in FIG, built  
as loop  
on KEY

in FORTH INC,  
based on  
interrupts  
& KEY  
is 1 EXPECT

TIB

message buffer

TIB@ → new text line Ø

IN

IN

Index to  
how far into  
buffer so far

null put by CR

dictionary

used by  
WORDWORD's  
buffer

DP

PAD

Top of  
data stack

Action of  
WORD

message buffer

TIB@ → new text line Ø

IN →

↑ null put by CR

32 WORD

(ASCII blank)  
decimal

dictionary

DP →  
PAD →

3 new bits

WORD's  
bufferIn general, use  
BL WORD

# Action of TEXT

52  
d e  
fig

message buffer

TIB@ → new text line Ø

IN → | ↗ null put by CR

1 TEXT

dictionary

carry over from  
FORTRAN  
3-char names

string format

DP →

PAD →

9 text line bbs

text line bbb... ←

WORD's

buffer

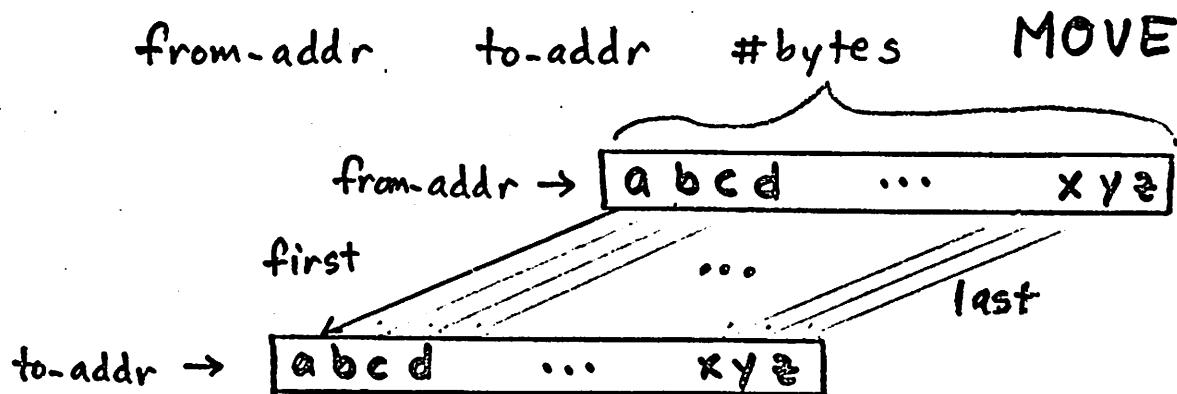
printable  
format

gives both forms (of formats)

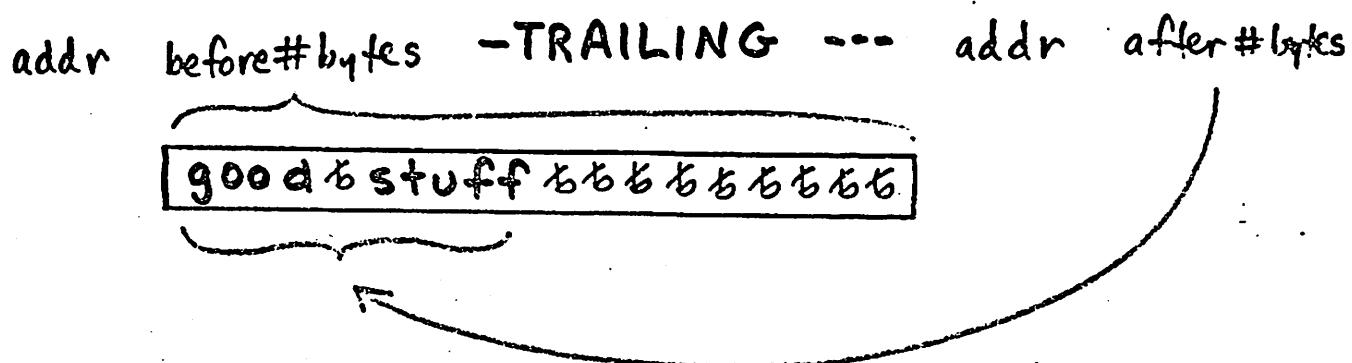
Warning!

Gets erased when written on by next keyboard entry  
or by anything that uses WORD

## Copying strings



## Remove trailing blanks



## Initialize strings (or arrays)

addr #bytes BLANKS stores blanks

addr #bytes ERASE stores zeros

addr #bytes character FILL stores "character" starting at "addr" for "#bytes"

# STRING OUTPUT

SS  
RA  
fig

Write characters to  
your terminal  
(or a communications line)

addr #bytes TYPE

FORTH INC: interrupt driven routine

write string

FIG: TYPE \$  
loop on EMIT

chr-value EMIT ← write single character

CR write Carriage Return (Line Feed)

SPACE write single blank

#spaces SPACES write several blanks

." wow ". write string

[" ]

can call QUERY

Example BEGIN(optional)

: ECHO /TIB @ 80 EXPECT

O IN !

I TBOX better WORD

TYPE! O END

can also use

HERE COUNT

QUIT

QUERY  
INTERPRET  
."OK" CR

a  
"forever  
loop"

# STRING CONVERSION

ASCII character to numeric value:

use:

**ASCII chr --- {**

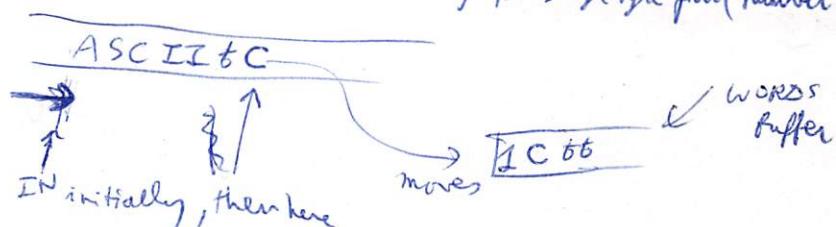
- chr-value if interpreting
- else compiling, then
- chr-value is compiled
- as a 16 bit literal

definition:

: ASCII      BL WORD      HERE 1+ C@  
 LITERAL ; IMMEDIATE

↑ Compiles into dictionary the ~~single~~ byte pair (number)

On execution,



Numeric string to binary conversion:

addr-string NUMBER --- dvalue

and following conversion,

variable DPL contains

-1 if numeric string was not punctuated (converted value is in the 16 bit signed integer range)

else the number of digit characters following the last punctuation (22 bit converted value)

see p. 60 USING FORTH (old version) for 4 ways to  
print 32 ft, 31 h  
16 IS h's  
no's

use of HOLD to store in special char's in format

e.g. print 400.0 deg °C in part temperature conversion example

: .DEG SWAP OVER DABS  
<# # ASCII . HOLD #S SIGN #> TYPE SPACE

↑ Loop around #

Note: Can put any other "action" here

e.g. \$ XX,XXX,XX\$XX without leading '}''s

" "

Building the word \*

e.g.

ABS

↑

DABS

SIGN

will print a  
leading sign

: .DUP S → D <# #S #> TYPE;

new copy of signed value

see p. 51

USING  
FORTH

so if you want financial figures specially  
formatted

# Pictured numeric output conversion:

Convert  $123_{10}$  to a numeric string:

$$\frac{123}{10} = 12 \text{ remainder } \boxed{3}$$

$$\frac{12}{10} = 1 \text{ remainder } \boxed{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = 0 \text{ remainder } \boxed{1}$$

Convert unsigned 32-bit value to 10 digits:

*uses PAD*

: UD.10 <# ##### # # # # # # # # # #>

TYPE ; ↑

Starts numeric conversion

↑

converts one digit

↑ leaves what TYPE wants

ends conversion

*only works on pos nos*

3.1415928

UD.10

(CR)

0031415928 OK

#\$ will do a complete conversion of the number string on the stack

↖

eg. <# #\$ #>

: #\$ BEGIN # DUP 0. = UNTIL )

16 bit version

see Scr. 75 for 32 bit version

USER allows "private" variables

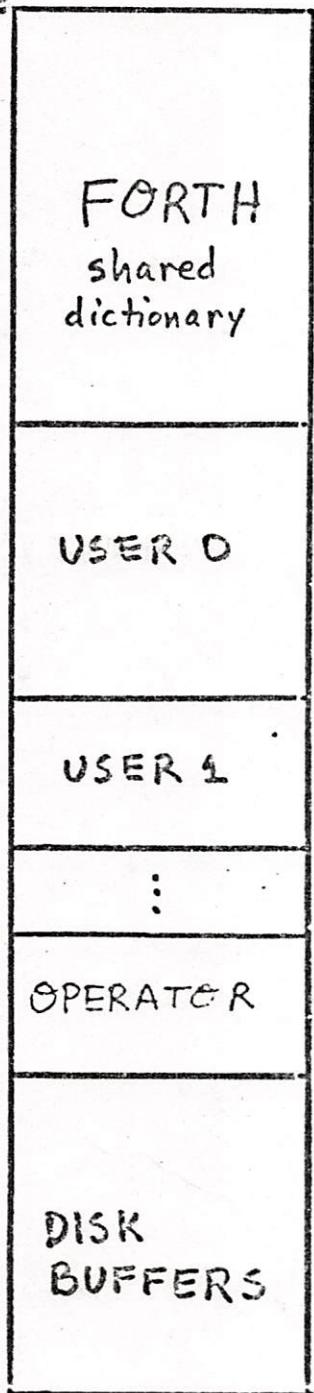
e.g. offset USER BASE

- creates a single head in dictionary

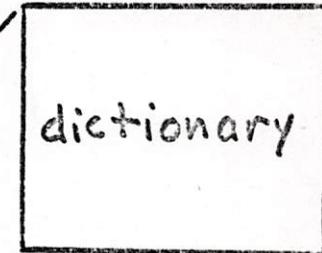
& execution time procedure which adds  
the offset of the current user

## MEMORY ALLOCATION

low addresses:



terminal task



DP

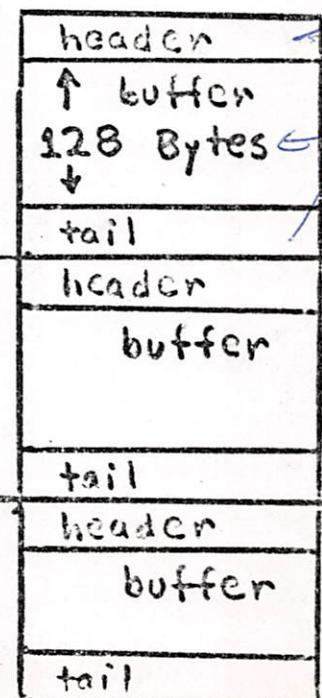
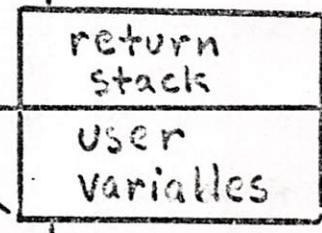
SP

RP

UP

← should have about 64 cells

← SO @



2 bytes

only applies to certain systems

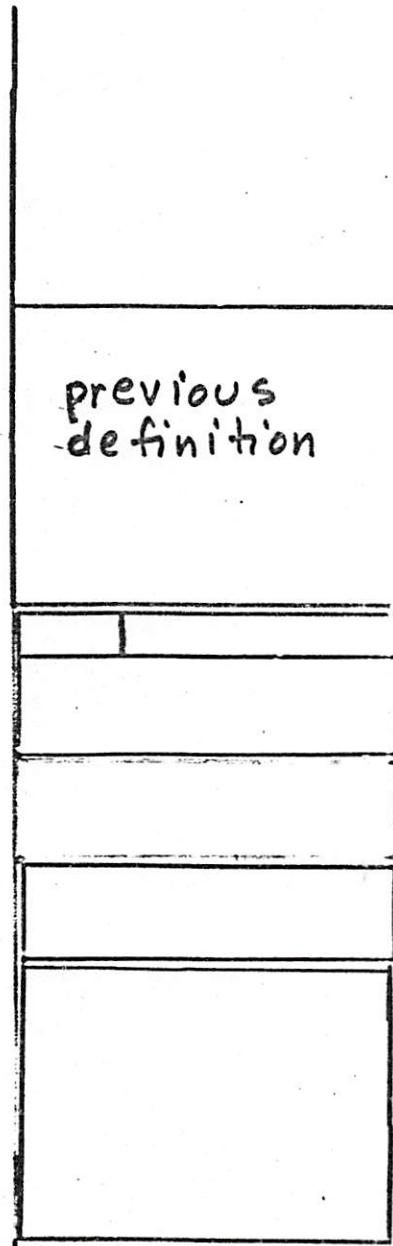
↑ FIG FORTH standard is 1024 bytes  
e.g. Peter Michalek's & Canady's

high addresses

# Dictionary Definition Format

## DICTIONARY

Name Field  
Link Field  
Code Field  
Parameter Field

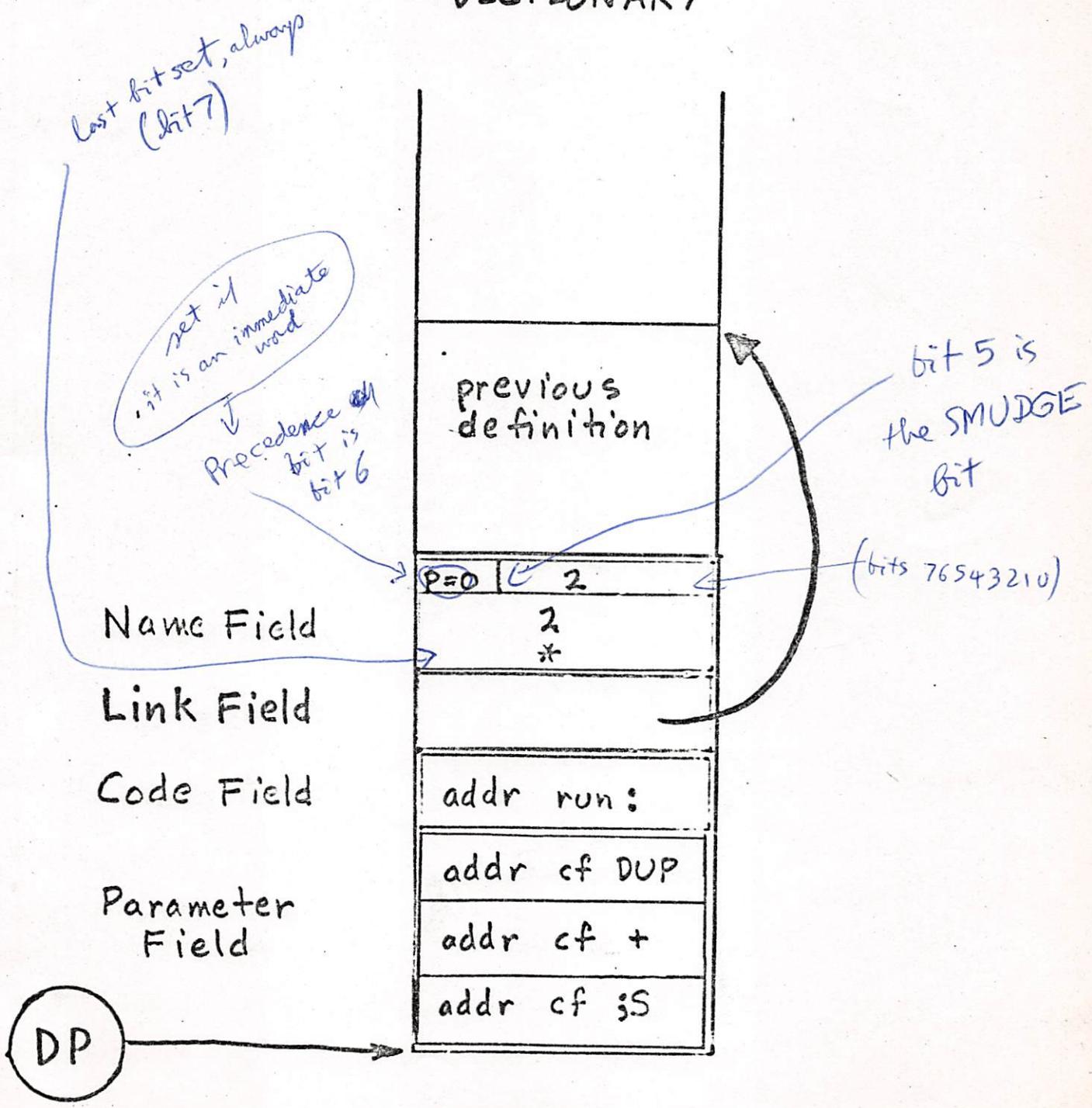


Header  
(System info.)  
← TICK  
Body

# Dictionary Definition Format

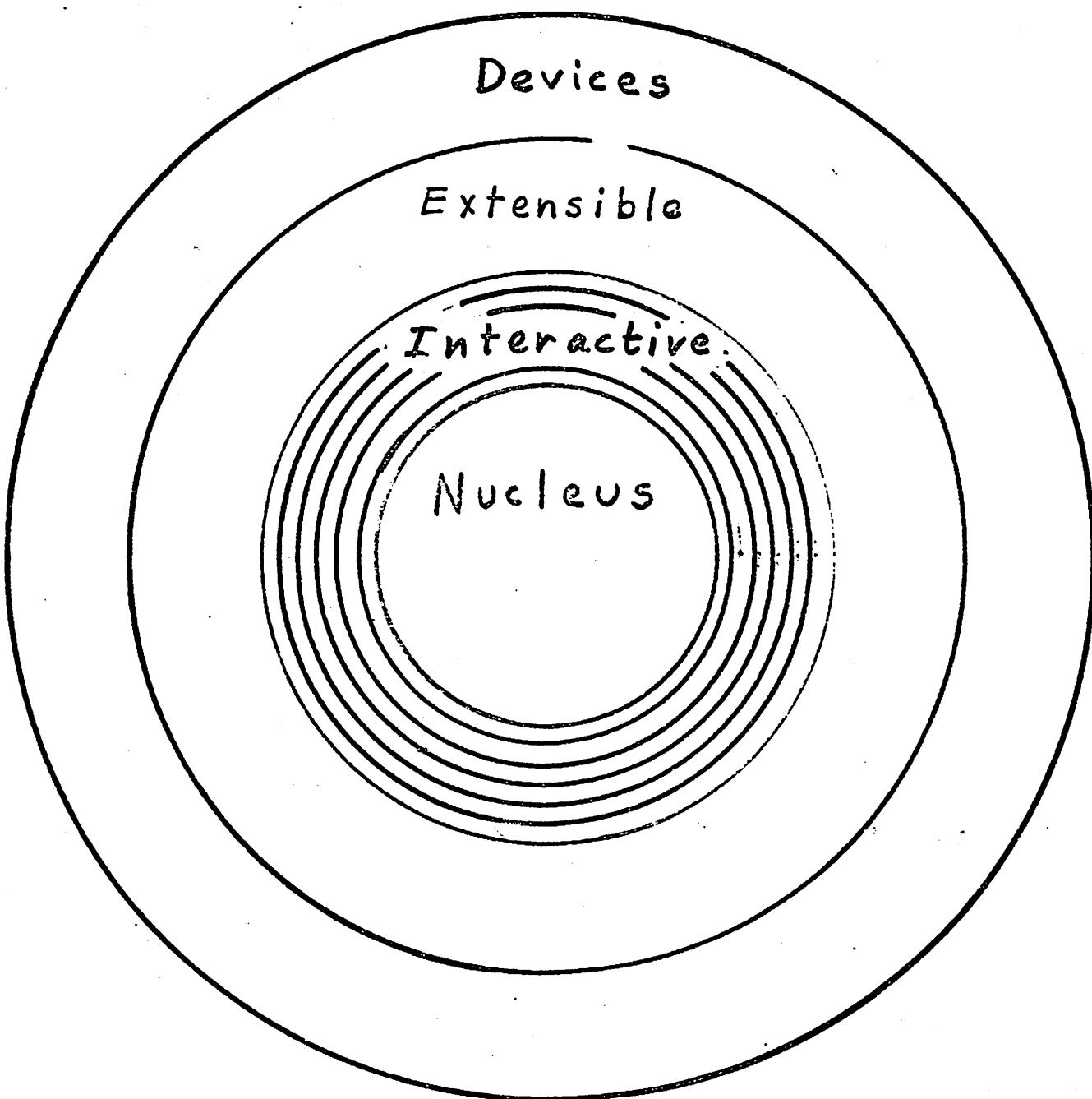
: 2\* DUP + ;

## DICTIONARY



# TEXT INTERPRETATION

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# TEXT INTERPRETATION

This & next page: typical interpreting square

#chrs EXPECT ( reads line into message buffer)  
 ↴ null at (CR)

message  
buffer

IN →

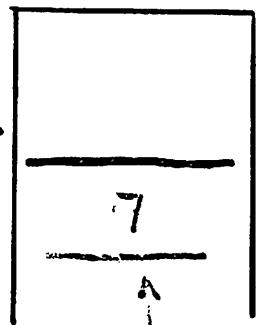
7 8\* . Ø

WORD

dictionary

data  
stack

SP



NUMBER

DP

1 | 7 8\*

WORD's buffer

## TEXT INTERPRETATION

#chrs EXPECT ( reads line into message buffer)  
 ↓ null at CR

message  
buffer

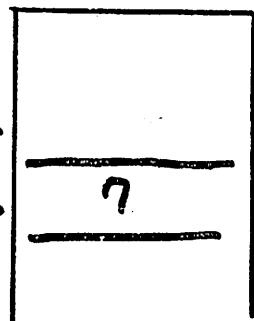
7 8\* . Ø

IN →

WORD

data  
stack

SP



dictionary

8\*

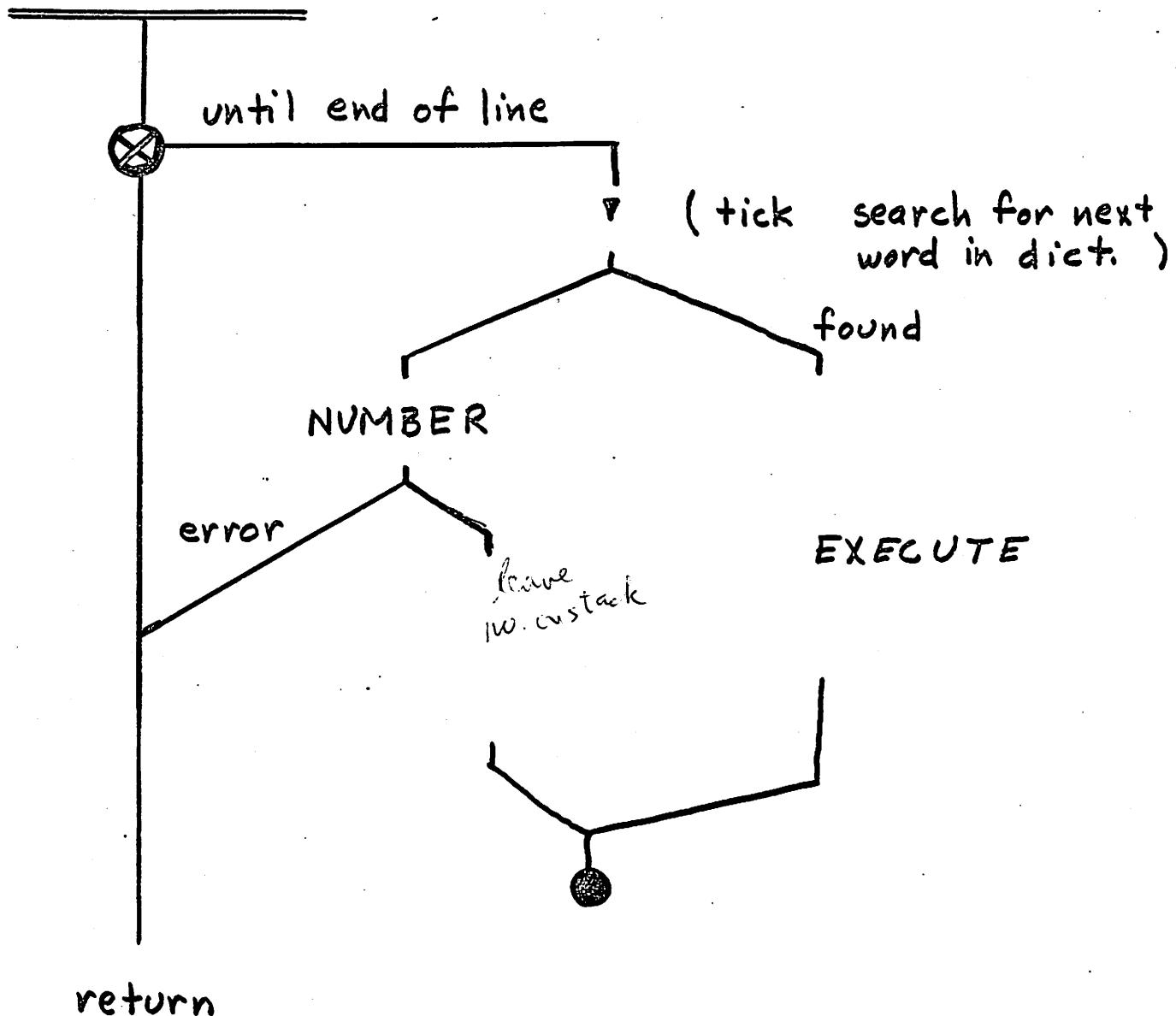
2 8\* 55

WORD's buffer

DP

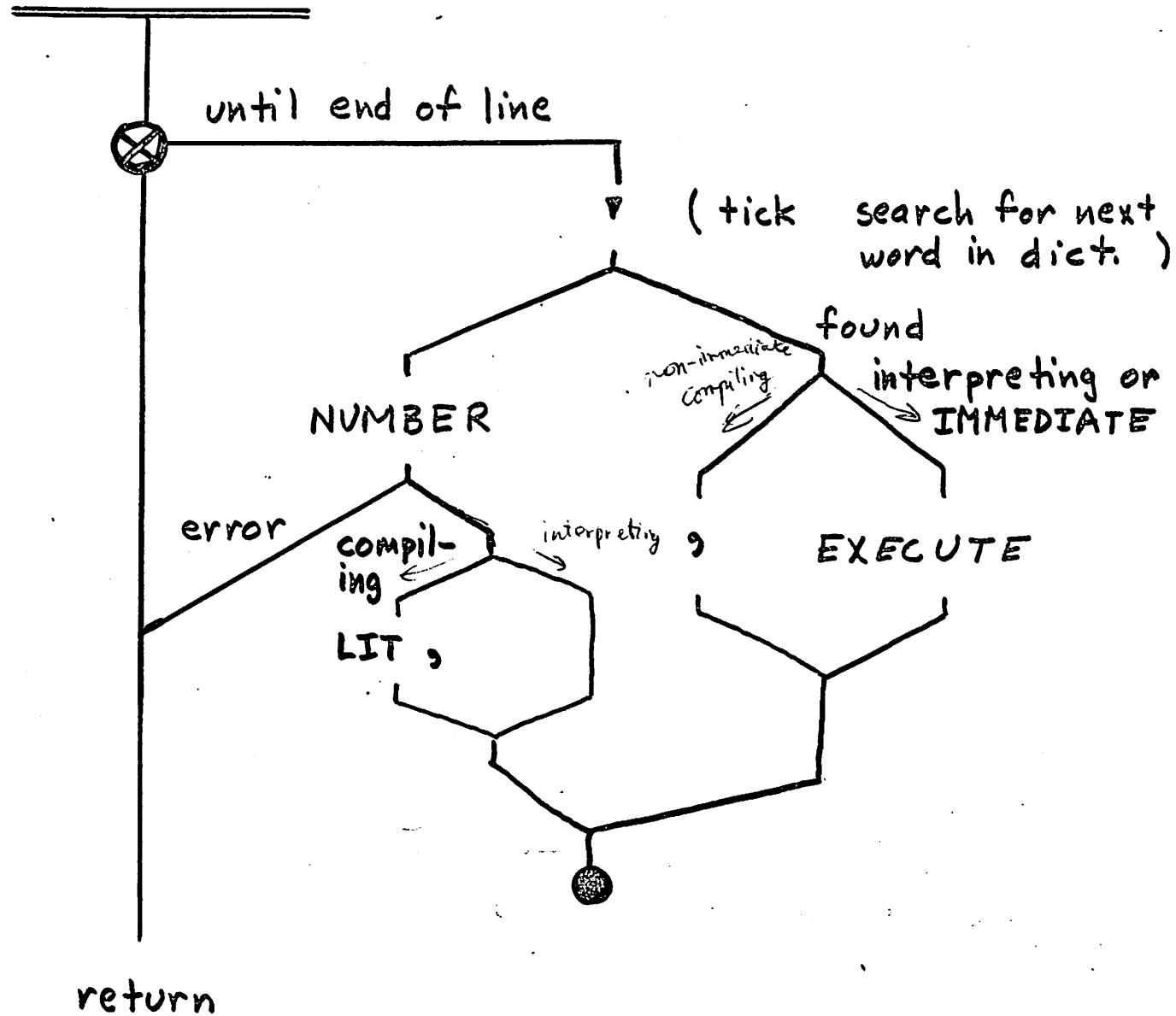
# TEXT INTERPRETER

INTERPRET



# TEXT INTERPRETER and COMPILER

## INTERPRET



return

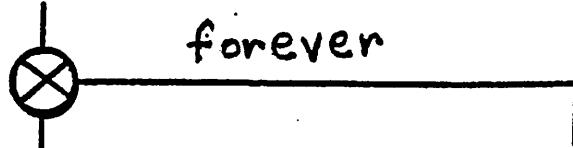
# USER'S EXECUTIVE

: QUERY      TIB @ 50<sup>HEX</sup>    EXPECT ( read line  
                 from  
                 terminal )

O IN ! ;

QUIT

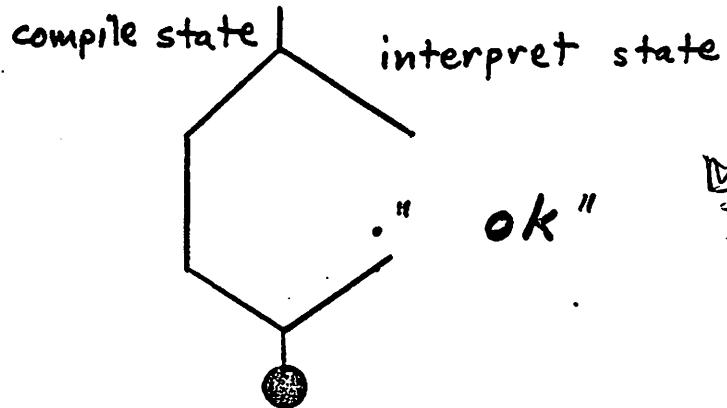
O BLK !    ( input stream from keyboard )  
   [         ( guarantee interpret state )    ↗  
                 single user  
                 system



RP!    ( reset RP to empty )

CR    QUERY

INTERPRET



Note: when in  
   the assembly  
   you're in  
   the interpret state

# FORTH COMPILER

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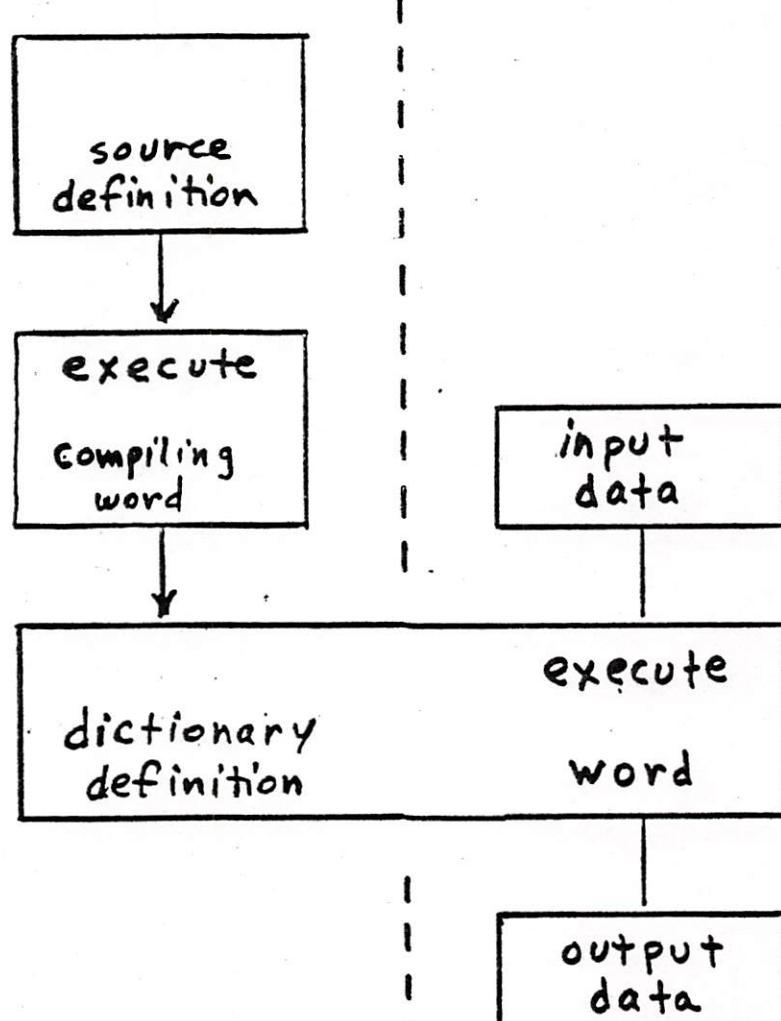
Devices

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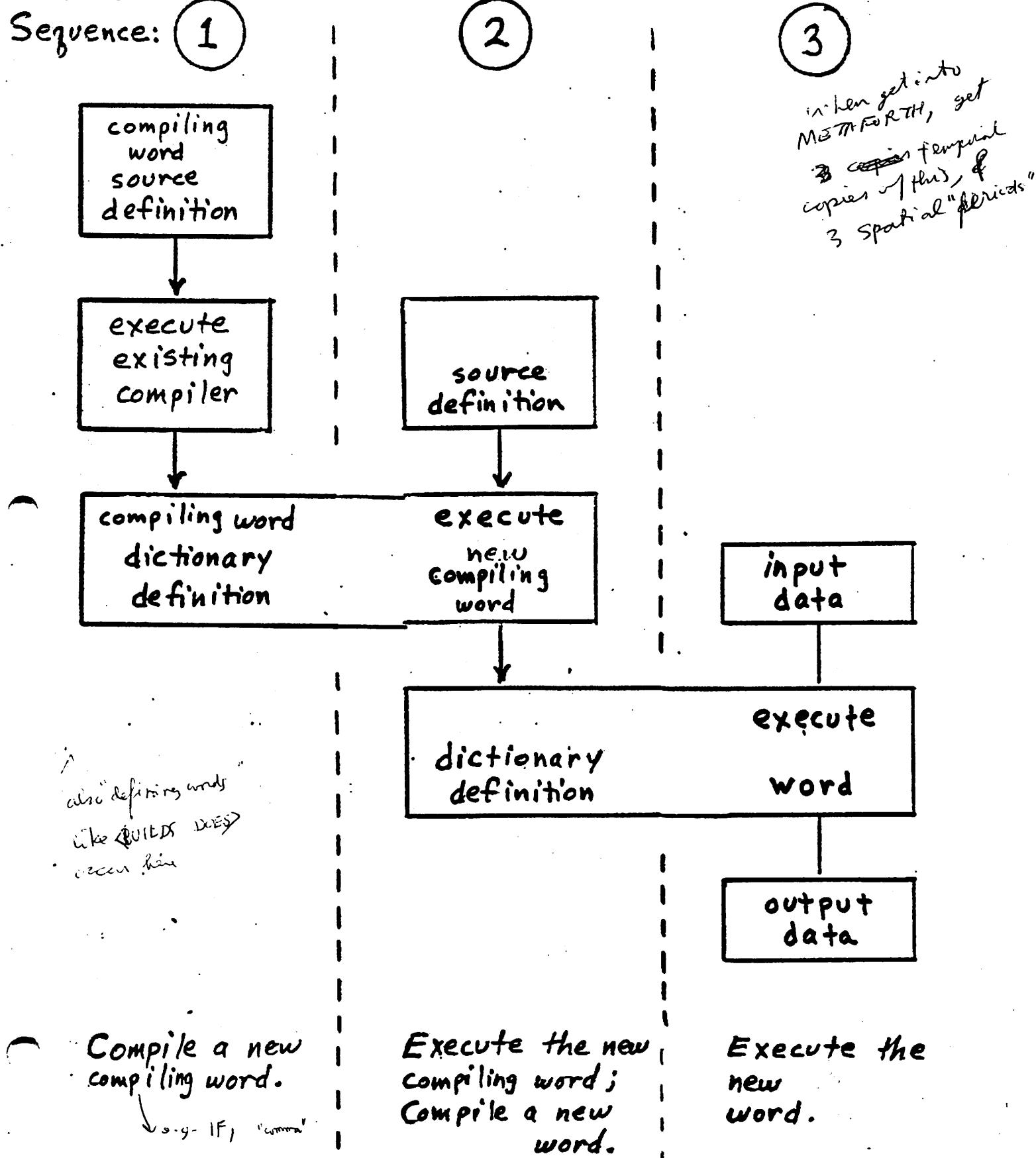
# USING COMPILING WORDS



# USING COMPIILING WORDS

Time

Sequence:



During compilation,  
"normal words" are compiled  
by storing each code field address  
in the next cell of the dictionary.

"compiling words" are executed  
at compile-time. The contents of  
the dictionary may or may not be  
affected.

Compiling words are defined using  
any defining word (eg, : VOCABULARY)  
then use the word IMMEDIATE  
following the definition. This sets the  
Precedence bit of the previously  
defined word in its dictionary definition.  
Some compiling words may be used  
only within : definitions; others  
may be used either inside or out.

Example:

## VOCABULARY FILES

defines a non-immediate word.

Using FILES outside of a : definition, causes it to be executed, switching the accessible vocabulary.

Using it inside a : definition, as in

: ENTER FILES get put ;  
causes FILES to be compiled in the definition of ENTER. No vocabulary access is affected.

When ENTER is executed, FILES will be executed, switching vocabularies.

## VOCABULARY FILES IMMEDIATE

defines a compiling word.

Using FILES outside a : definition  
is the same as the non-immediate version.

However, using FILES inside a : definition  
causes vocabularies to be switched during  
compilation.

: ENTER FILES get put ;  
The words get and put must be  
in the FILES vocabulary.

This version of FILES is an example of an  
IMMEDIATE word which has a valid use  
both inside and outside a : definition.

## Selecting compilation or text interpretation:

[

terminates compilation  
begins text interpretation STATE @  
= 0

]

terminates interpretation STATE @  
begins compilation ≠ 0

Used internally within : and ; to  
start and stop compiling.

May also be used for compile-time  
arithmetic and other operations  
within a : definition.

Note: this had to be an IMMEDIATE word!

Is not an immediate word

The compilation of literal values:

a literal is a numeric character string

example: 123

While interpreting, a literal is converted to binary value and pushed onto the data stack.

When encountered inside a : definition, a literal may be converted to its binary value, but the pushing of the value onto the stack must be deferred until the definition is executed.

: def ~ 123 -- ;  
is compiled as

dictionary	addr	code field	binary value	...
	LIT		123	

↑ 2 bytes                      2 bytes

when executed, pushes the contents of the cell following (in the dictionary) onto the data stack.

## Performing compile-time arithmetic (and other compile-time operations):

The expression      1024 16 /

has a constant value. The definition

: slow ~ 1024 16 / ~ ;

will perform the divide when the definition  
is executed and will take up 10 bytes of  
dictionary space.

If instead, the following definition is used,

: fast ~ [ 1024 16 / ] LITERAL

~ ;

the divide is done when 'fast' is compiled,  
and only 6 bytes of space is used.

Dictionary definition of 'fast' :

...	addr cf LIT	binary value 64	...
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At interpretation-time,

\* DUP

pushes the parameter field address of DUP onto the stack.

Using the same phrase in a : definition,

: ADR-DUP \* DUP ;

results in the address of DUP being compiled. When ADR-DUP is executed, the parameter field address of DUP is pushed onto the stack.

In fig-FORTH \* is an IMMEDIATE word.

TICK is an "intelligent" word — not in PolyFORTH  
(there's a controversy —  
idea came from Europeans)

## Deferred compilation:

A non-immediate word in a : definition is compiled when it is encountered (ie, not deferred).

(2)

: not-deferred	~~	,	~~	;
dictionary	...	address	code field	...

(3) When this definition is executed, , is executed resulting in the top of the stack to the dictionary.

A compiling word may need to force a word to be compiled when the compiling word is executed.

(1)

: deferred	~	COMPILE	,	~~	;
dictionary		addr cf COMPILE	addr , cf		...

When this definition is executed, COMPILE is executed. This takes the 16 bit value which follows in the definition being executed and compiles that value into the dictionary.

This technique cannot be used to compile an IMMEDIATE word.

Because the 'immediate' word would execute anyway

## Examples:

: ; ?CSP COMPILE ;S SMUDGE [ ;  
IMMEDIATE

when bit is ON  
word is smudged turns off  
computer

None of the words within the definition of ; are IMMEDIATE, so each is compiled normally.

When ; is executed, the compile-time stack size is checked by ?CSP,

;S is compiled into the definition which is being compiled when ; is executed (at sequence 2)

SMUDGE makes the sequence 2 word name findable, and

[ terminates compilation .

: LITERAL STATE @ IF

COMPILE LIT , THEN ; IMMEDIATE

None of the words within the definition are IMMEDIATE, so each is compiled normally.

When LITERAL is executed from within a : definition, the code field address of LIT is compiled into the sequence 2 definition,

then the top of the stack (at sequence 2 compile-time) is compiled following LIT.

When LITERAL is executed outside of a : definition, it does nothing.

## Compiling IMMEDIATE words:

Compiling words sometimes need to force the compilation of IMMEDIATE words.

For example, the word `?` is IMMEDIATE in fig-FORTH. Words like FORGET must perform a dictionary search at interpret-time.

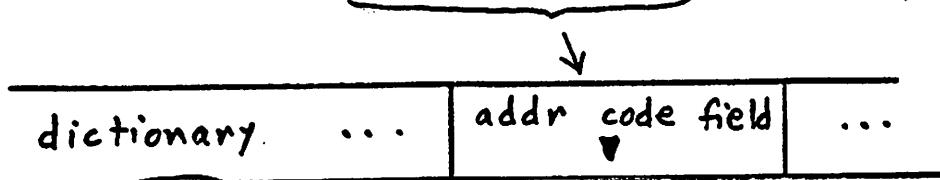
This could be done by switching to interpret state within the definition of FORGET, as in

`: FORGET ~ [ ! ] LITERAL ~ ;`

This function is performed by [COMPILE]

which forces the compilation of the word following it in a : definition, even if that word is IMMEDIATE.

`: FORGET ~ [COMPILE] ! ~ ;`



-forces immediate compilation

# CONTROL STRUCTURES:

The control structures IF THEN, BEGIN UNTIL, and all others are built from two branch primitives:

Unconditional branch:

dictionary ...	addr cf BRANCH	branch address	...
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When executed, BRANCH causes the next word to be executed to be the word in the dictionary at the branch address.

Depending on the implementation of the address interpreter, the branch may be

absolute      then the branch addr  
or            is a 2 byte absolute  
                 machine address.  
                 When the branch is  
                  executed, this address  
                  is stored in FORTH's  
                  Interpreter Pointer.

relative      then the branch addr  
                  is either a 1 or 2 byte  
                  signed value which is  
                  added to the contents  
                  of the Interpreter  
                  Pointer when the branch  
                  is executed.

## Conditional branch:

dictionary	addr cf OBRANCH	branch address	...
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When executed, OBRANCH  
pops the top of the data stack,  
<sup>(false)</sup>  
if it is ~~≠ 0~~ \ true then performs  
the branch ( same as unconditional  
branch )  
<sup>true</sup>  
otherwise ( false ) skips over  
branch addr and executes the  
word following in the dictionary.

## Calculating branch addresses:

The : compiler uses the data stack  
during compile-time to compute the  
branch addresses. This permits indefinite  
nesting of control structures.

HERE returns the address of the  
next available location in the dictionary.

Example: 2 byte relative branch addresses

: BEGIN HERE ; IMMEDIATE

: UNTIL COMPILE OBRANCH HERE - ; ;  
IMMEDIATE . calculate backward branch

... BEGIN S1 O= UNTIL S2 ...

BEGIN-HERE			
...	S1	O=	...

: IF COMPILE OBRANCH HERE O , ; IMMEDIATE

: THEN HERE OVER - SWAP ! ; IMMEDIATE  
calculate forward branch

... IF S1 S2 THEN S3 ...

IF-HERE			
...	OBRANCH	O	...

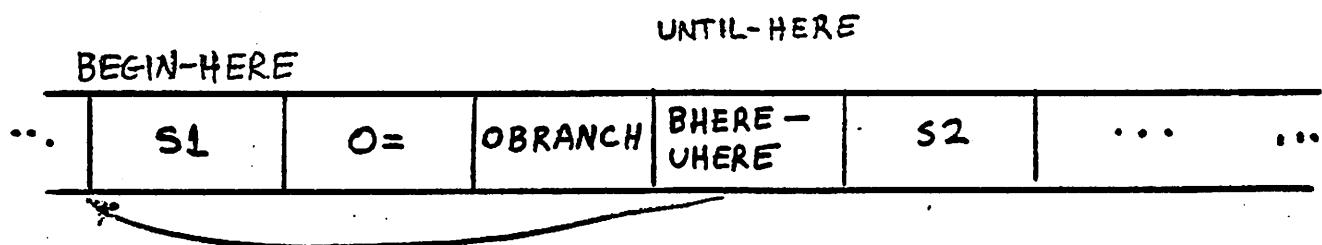
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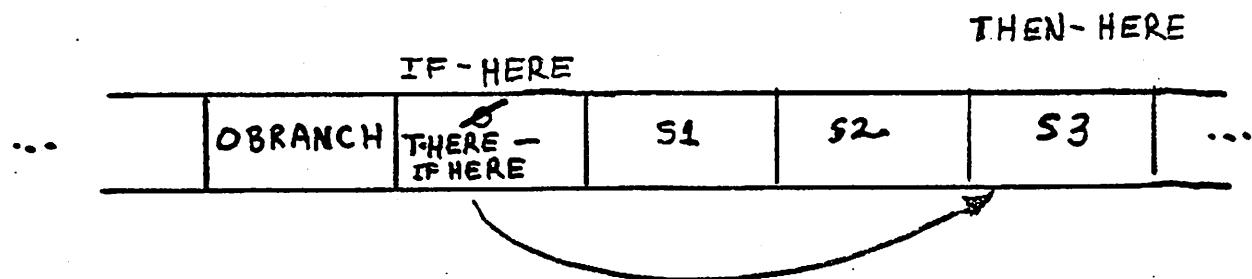
... BEGIN S1 O = UNTIL S2 ...



: IF COMPILE OBRANCH HERE O , ; IMMEDIATE

: THEN HERE OVER - SWAP ! ; IMMEDIATE  
calculate forward branch

... IF S1 S2 THEN S3 ...



: ELSE COMPILE BRANCH HERE 0 ,  
SWAP [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE

... IF S1 ELSE S2 THEN S3 ...

IF-HERE

IF-HERE		
OBRANCH	0	...

: WHILE [COMPILE] IF ; IMMEDIATE

: REPEAT >R COMPILE BRANCH HERE - ,

R> [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE

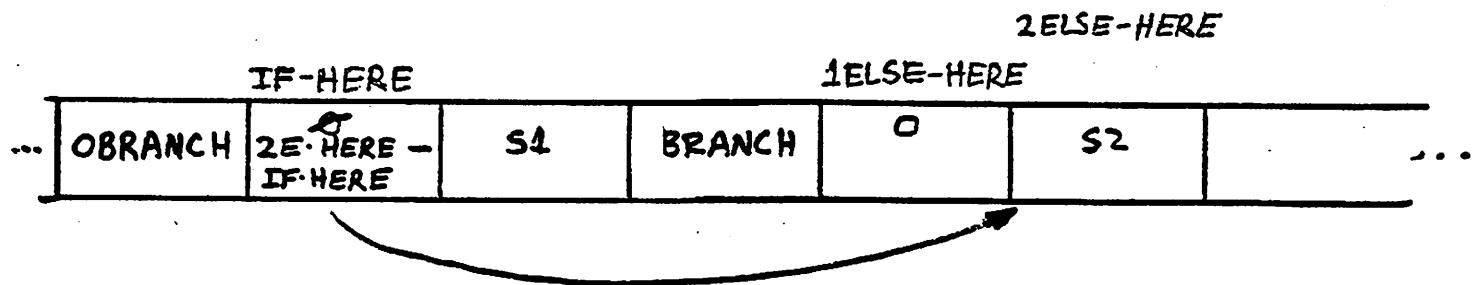
... BEGIN S1 WHILE S2 REPEAT S3 ...

BEGIN-HERE

BEGIN-HERE	
S1	

: ELSE COMPILE BRANCH HERE 0 ,  
SWAP [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE

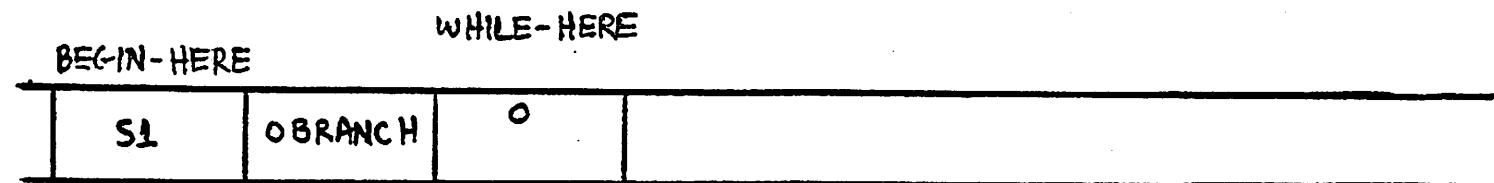
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: WHILE [COMPILE] IF ; IMMEDIATE

: REPEAT >R COMPILE BRANCH HERE - ,  
>R [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE

... BEGIN S1 WHILE S2 REPEAT S3 ...



: ELSE COMPILE BRANCH HERE 0 ,

SWAP [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE

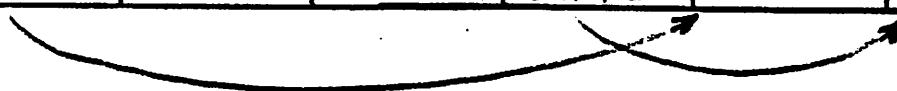
... IF S1 ELSE S2 THEN S3 ...

THEN-HERE  
2ELSE-HERE

IF-HERE

1ELSE-HERE

OBRANCH	2E-HERE - IF-HERE	S1	BRANCH	8- T.HERE - 1E.HERE	S2	S3	...
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: WHILE [COMPILE] IF ; IMMEDIATE

: REPEAT >R COMPILE BRANCH HERE - ,

R> [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE

... BEGIN S1 WHILE S2 REPEAT S3 ...

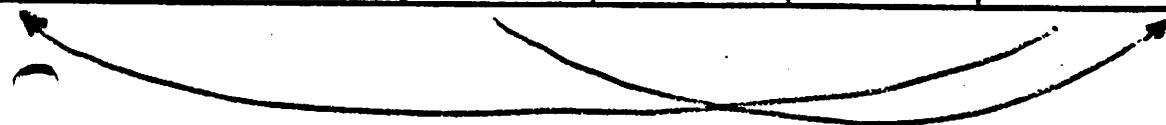
2REP-HERE

1REP-HERE

BEGIN-HERE

WHILE-HERE

S1	OBRANCH	2REP-HERE - W-HERE	S2	BRANCH	8-HERE - 1REP-HERE	S3	...
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0 ( fisFORTH control structure compiling word definitions )
1 ( no compiler security )
2 : <-BRANCH HERE - , ; ( BACK in Installation Manual )
3 : ->BRANCH HERE OVER - SWAP ! ;
4
5 : IF COMPILE OBRANCH HERE 0 , ; IMMEDIATE
6 : THEN ->BRANCH ; IMMEDIATE
7 : ELSE COMPILE BRANCH HERE 0 ,
8     SWAP [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE
9
10 : BEGIN HERE ; IMMEDIATE
11 : UNTIL COMPILE OBRANCH <-BRANCH ; IMMEDIATE
12 : AGAIN COMPILE BRANCH <-BRANCH ; IMMEDIATE
13 : WHILE [COMPILE] IF ; IMMEDIATE
14 : REPEAT >R COMPILE BRANCH <-BRANCH
15     R> [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE
OK
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0 ( fisFORTH compiling words, part 2 )
1
2 : DO COMPILE (DO) HERE ; IMMEDIATE
3 : LOOP COMPILE (LOOP) <-BRANCH ; IMMEDIATE
4 : +LOOP COMPILE (+LOOP) <-BRANCH ; IMMEDIATE
5
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0 ( fisFORTH control structure compiling words, part 3 )
1 ( redefinitions to add compiler security )
2 : IF ?COMP [COMPILE] IF 2 ; IMMEDIATE
3 : THEN ?COMP 2 ?PAIRS [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE
4 : ELSE ?COMP 2 ?PAIRS COMPILE BRANCH HERE 0 ,
5     SWAP 2 [COMPILE] THEN 2 ; IMMEDIATE
6 : BEGIN ?COMP [COMPILE] BEGIN 1 ; IMMEDIATE
7 : UNTIL ?COMP 1 ?PAIRS [COMPILE] UNTIL ; IMMEDIATE
8 : AGAIN ?COMP 1 ?PAIRS [COMPILE] AGAIN ; IMMEDIATE
9 : WHILE ?COMP [COMPILE] IF 2+ ; IMMEDIATE
10 : REPEAT ?COMP >R >R [COMPILE] AGAIN
11             R> R> 2 - [COMPILE] THEN ; IMMEDIATE
12 : DO ?COMP [COMPILE] DO 3 ; IMMEDIATE
13 : LOOP ?COMP 3 ?PAIRS [COMPILE] LOOP ; IMMEDIATE
14 : +LOOP ?COMP 3 ?PAIRS [COMPILE] +LOOP ; IMMEDIATE
15
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# fig-FORTH Compiler Security

detects and aborts on most errors involving control structures:

missing parts of a control structure,  
incorrect nesting,  
use of compiling words outside a : def.

Security words:

?EXEC if executed in EXECution state  
(ie, text interpretation state)  
then does nothing  
otherwise, an ABORT is executed.

?COMP opposite above, aborts if not  
executed while compiling.

!CSP stores contents of SP in user  
variable CSP

?CSP aborts if contents of SP ≠  
contents of CSP

?PAIRS aborts if top two stack values  
are NOT equal

# Use of security words in compiling words:

compiling word	security action
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:	?EXEC      !CSP
---	-----------------

;	?CSP
---	------

BEGIN	1
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UNTIL	1 ?PAIRS
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IF	2
----	---

ELSE	2 ?PAIRS    2
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THEN	2 ?PAIRS
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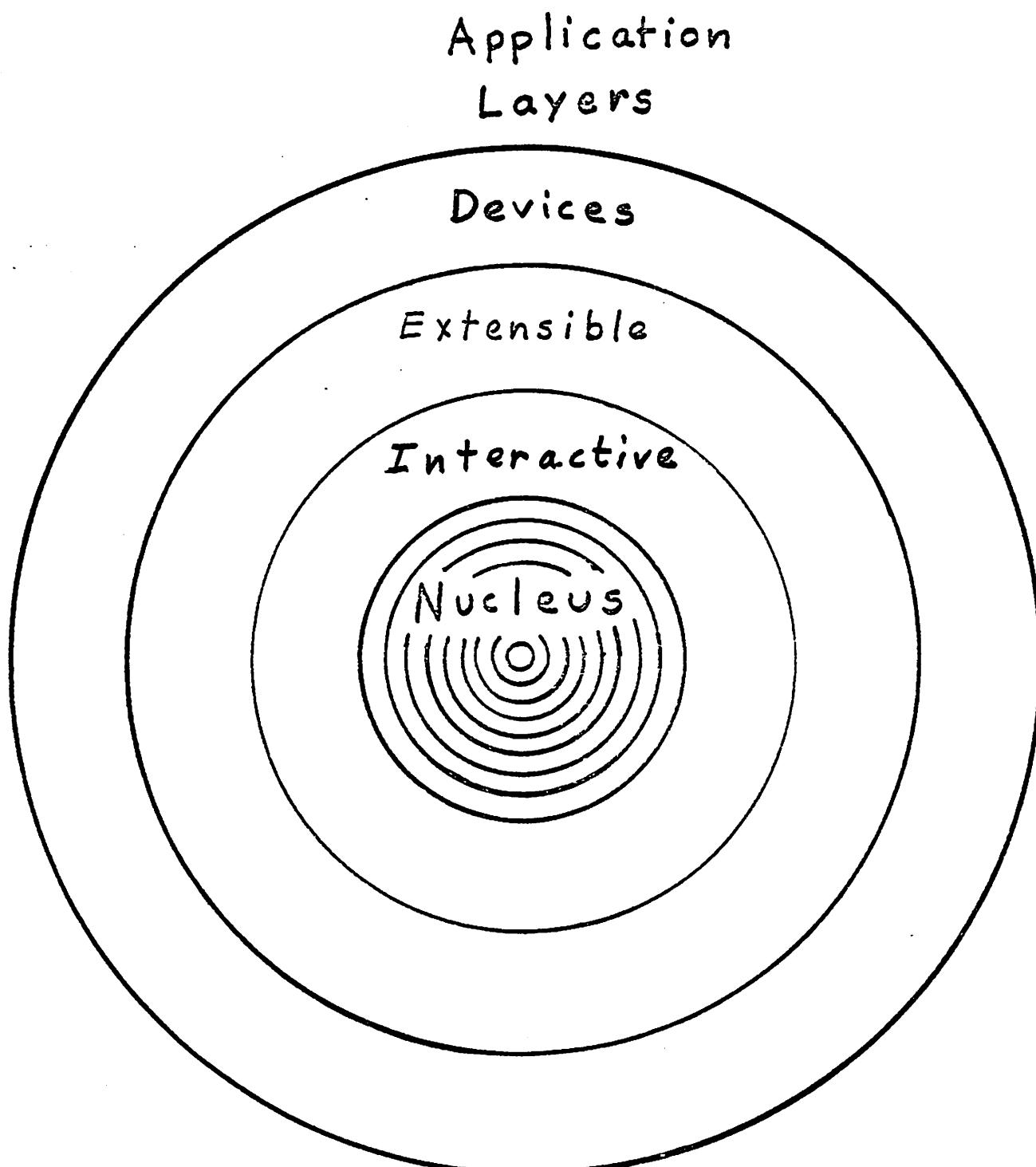
DO { LOOP } (+LOOP)	3 3 ?PAIRS
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BEGIN	1
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WHILE	4
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REPEAT	1 ?PAIRS    2 - 2 ?PAIRS
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# ADDRESS INTERPRETER

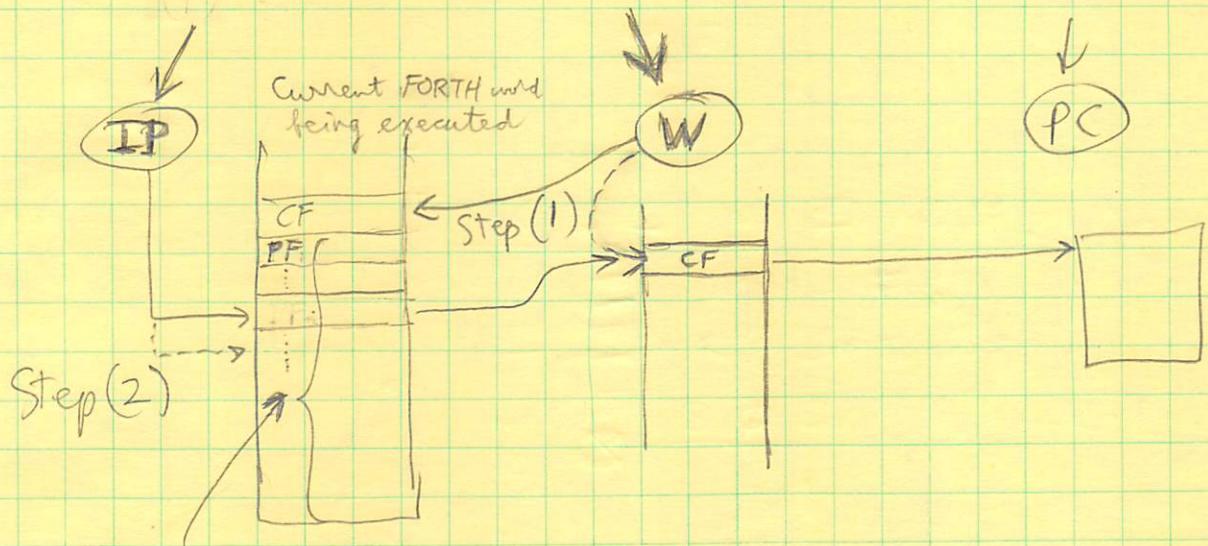


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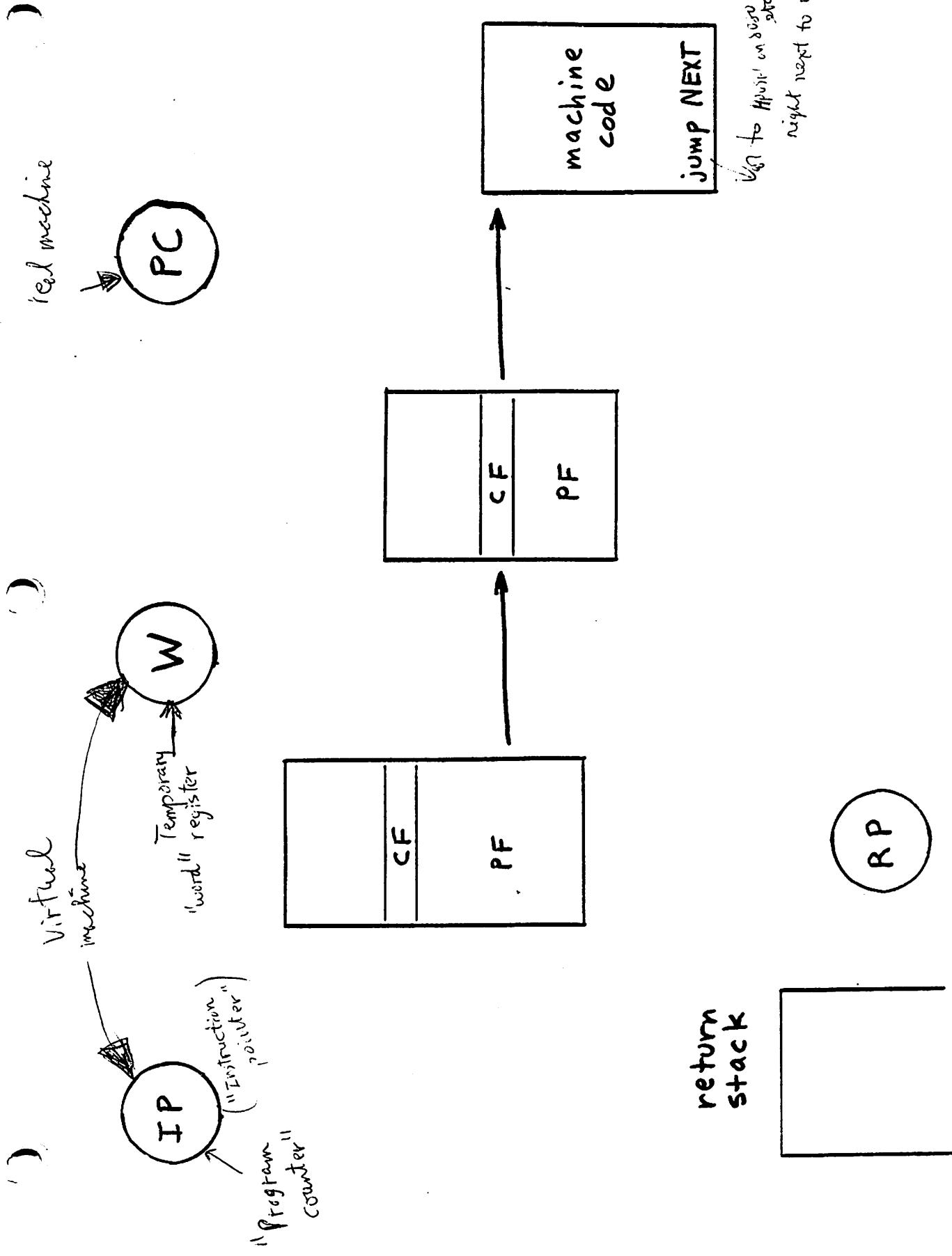
## FORTH's address interpreter

(See Kim Harris course notes p. 108)

FORTH Virtual machine



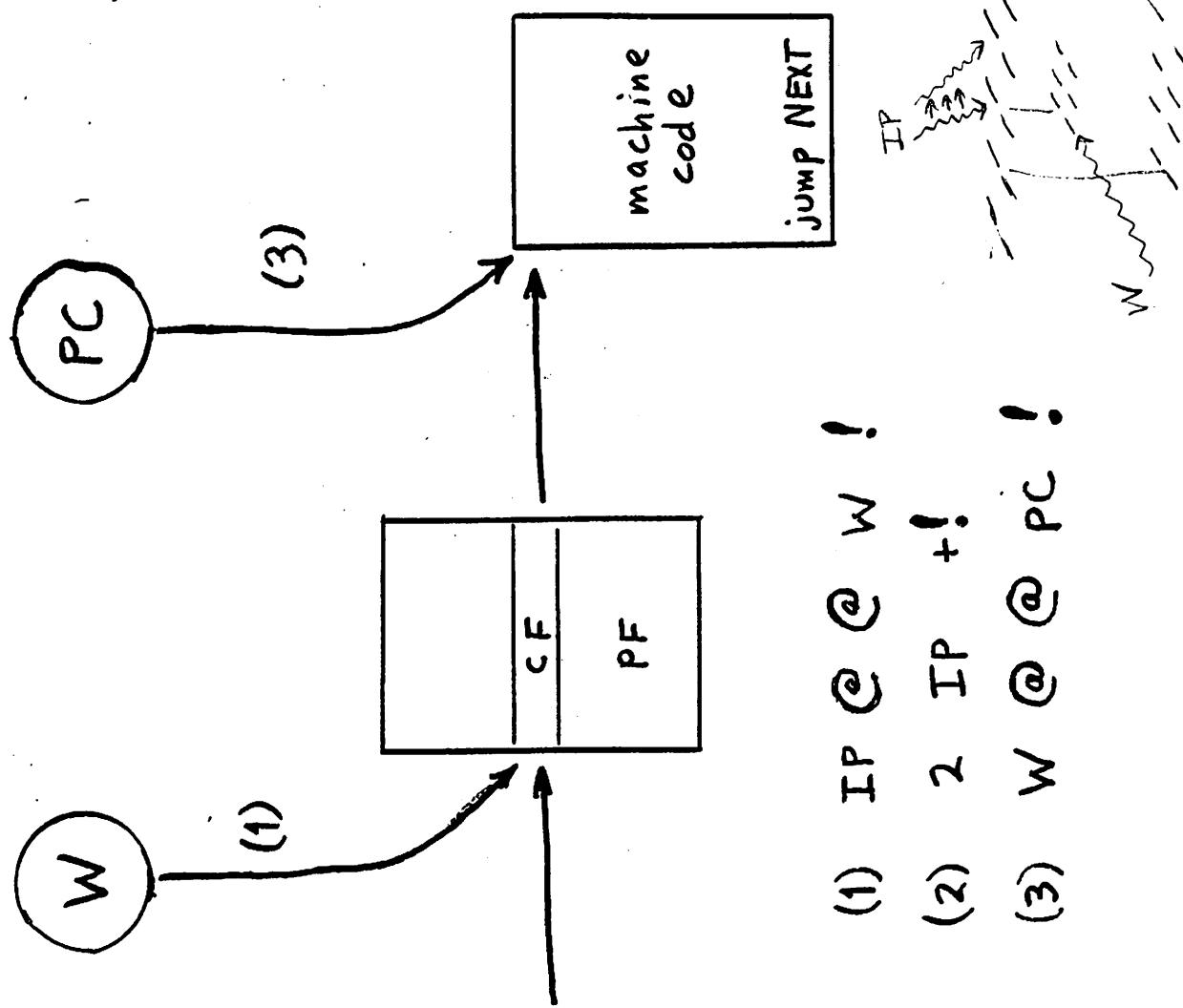
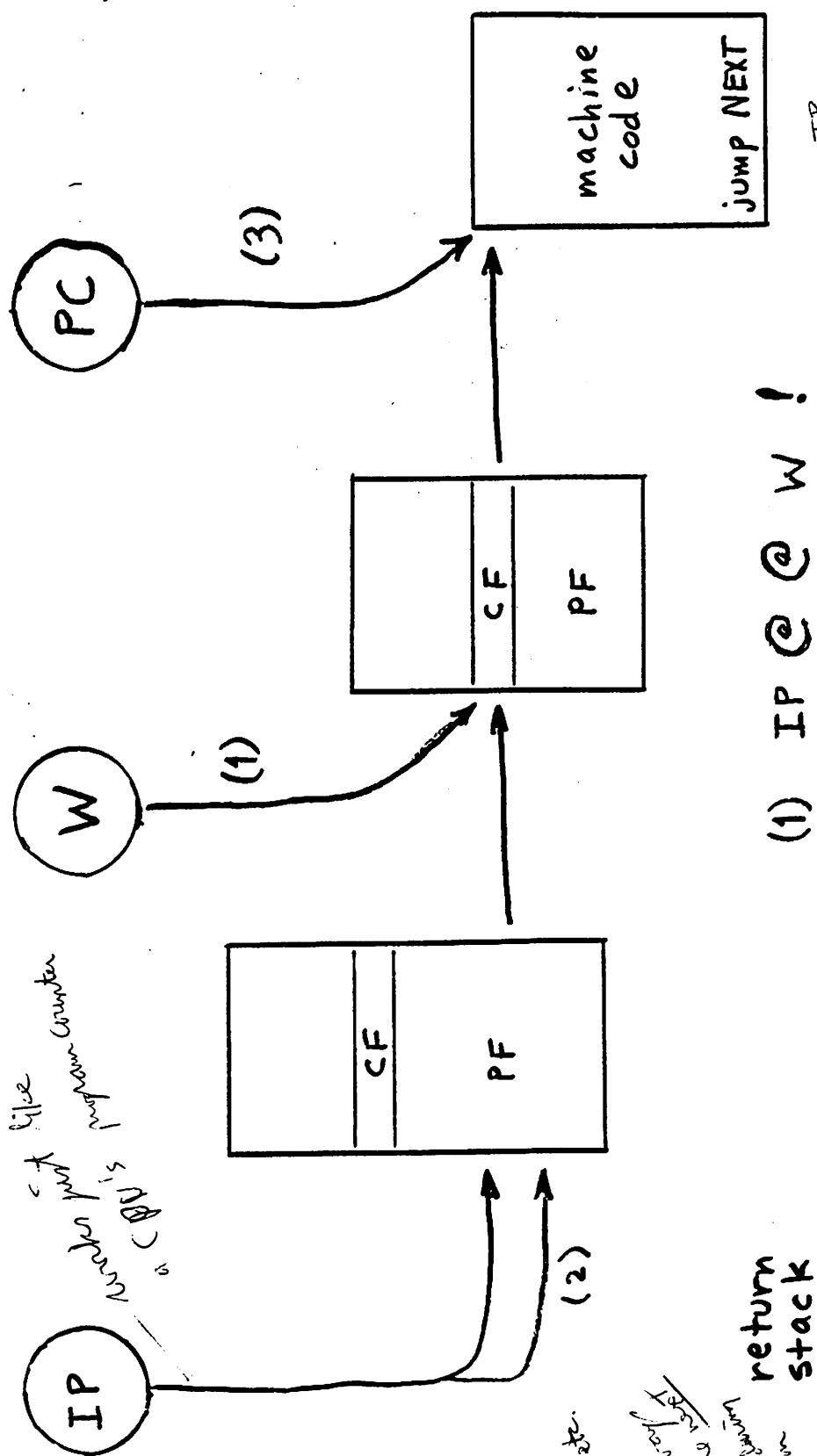
List of Code field addresses  
of words used to define this word



# NEXT

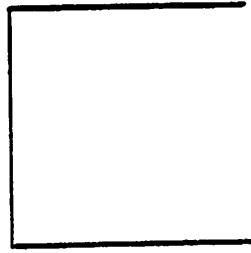
## FORTH's Address Interpreter

IP Number part of PC's program counter

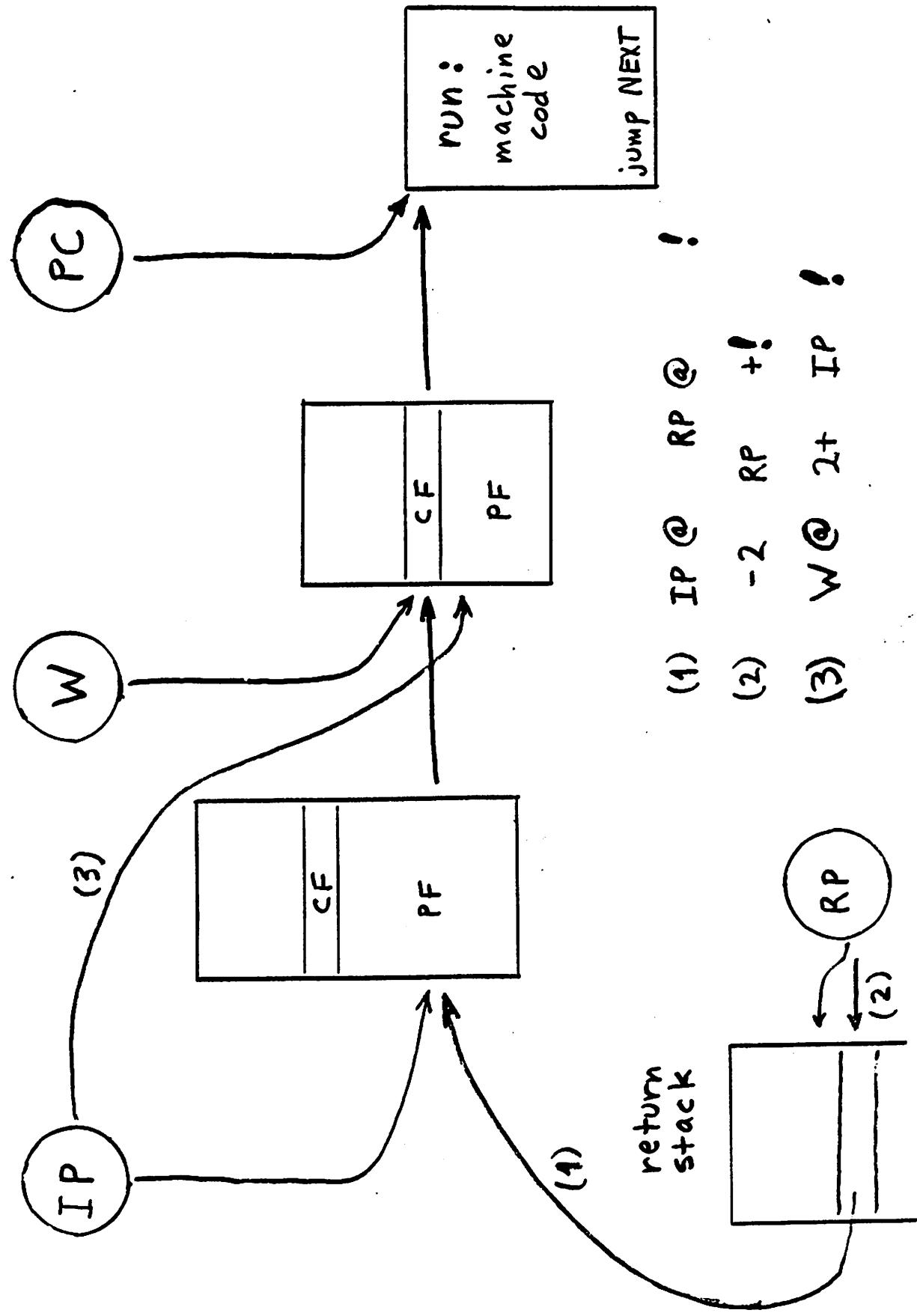


- (1) IP @ @ w !
- (2) 2 IP + !
- (3) w @ @ pc !

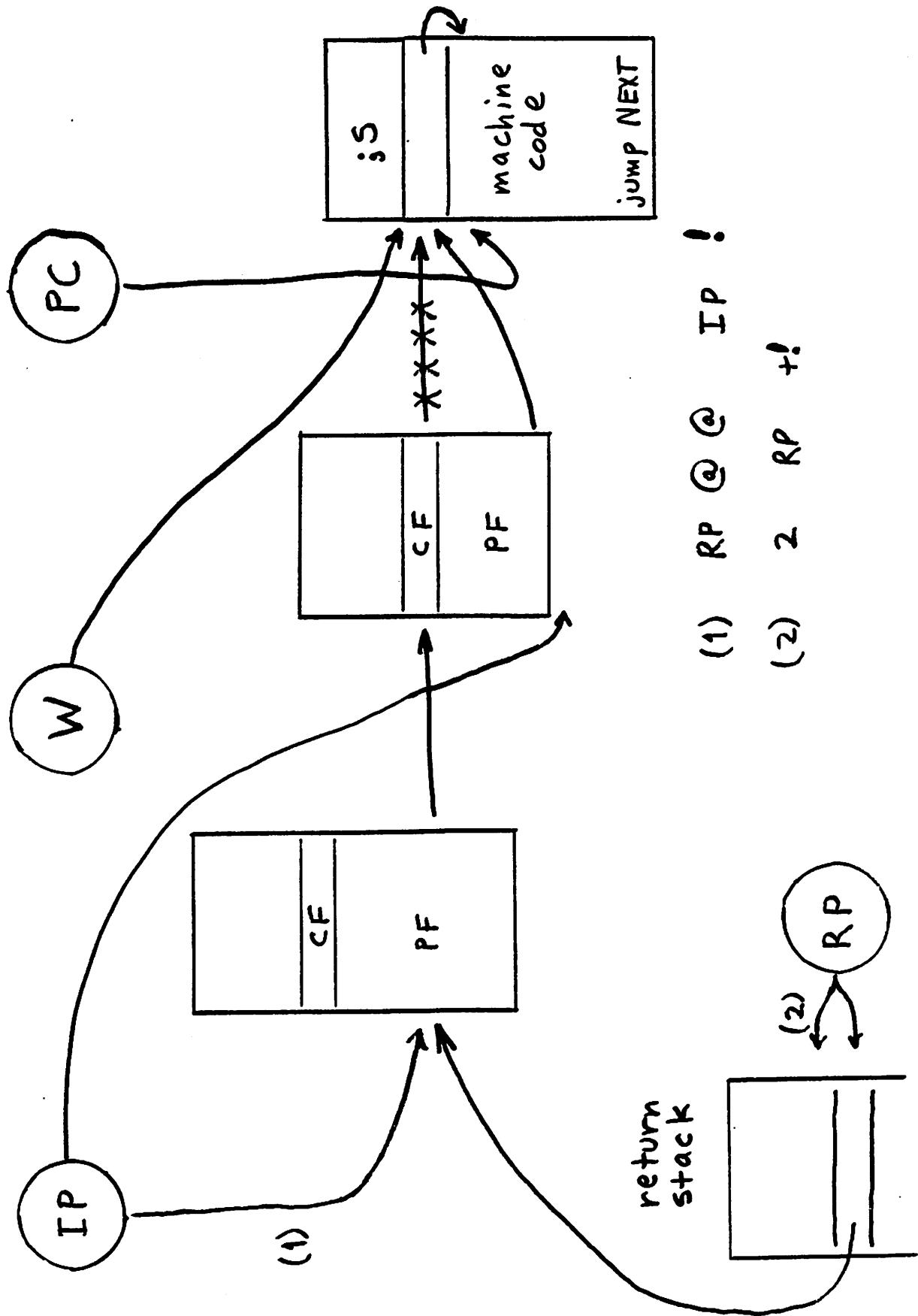
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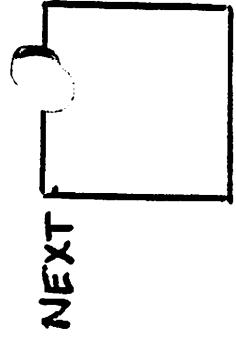
run : " subroutine " next



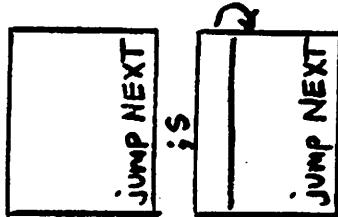
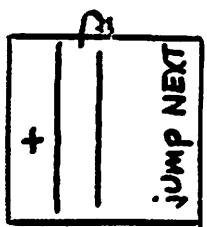
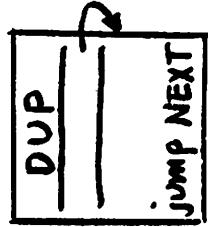
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 ) ;S



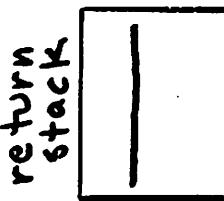
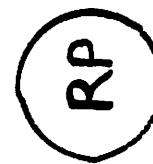
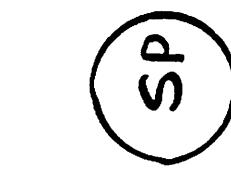
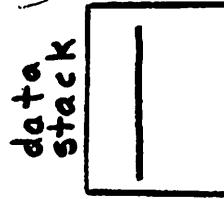
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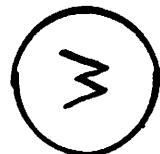
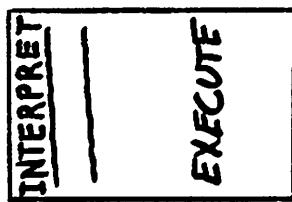
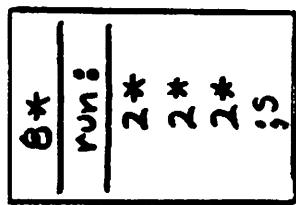
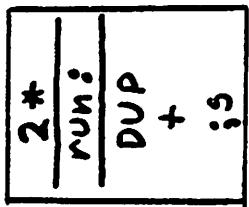
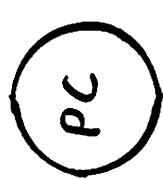
machine  
code



run:



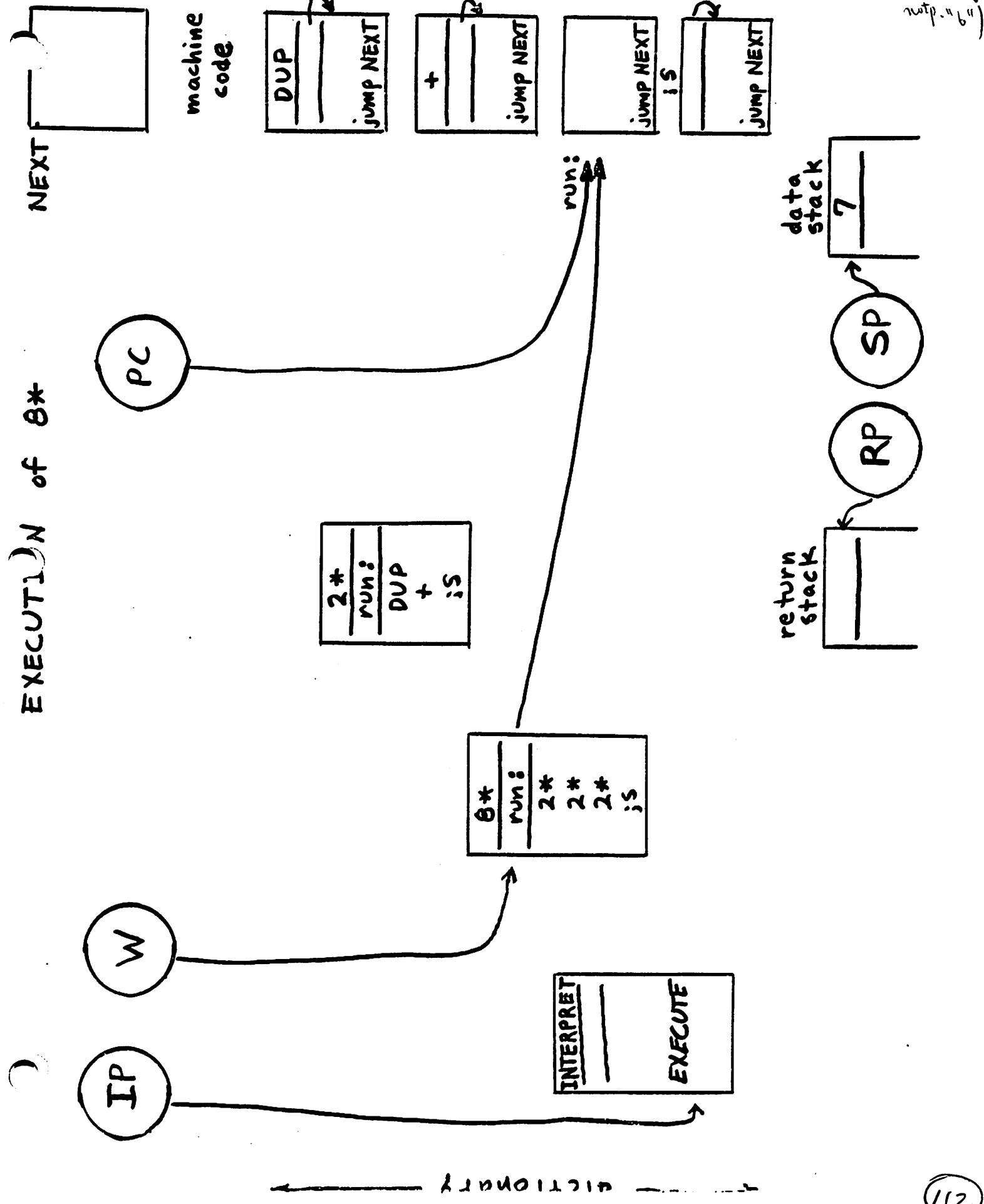
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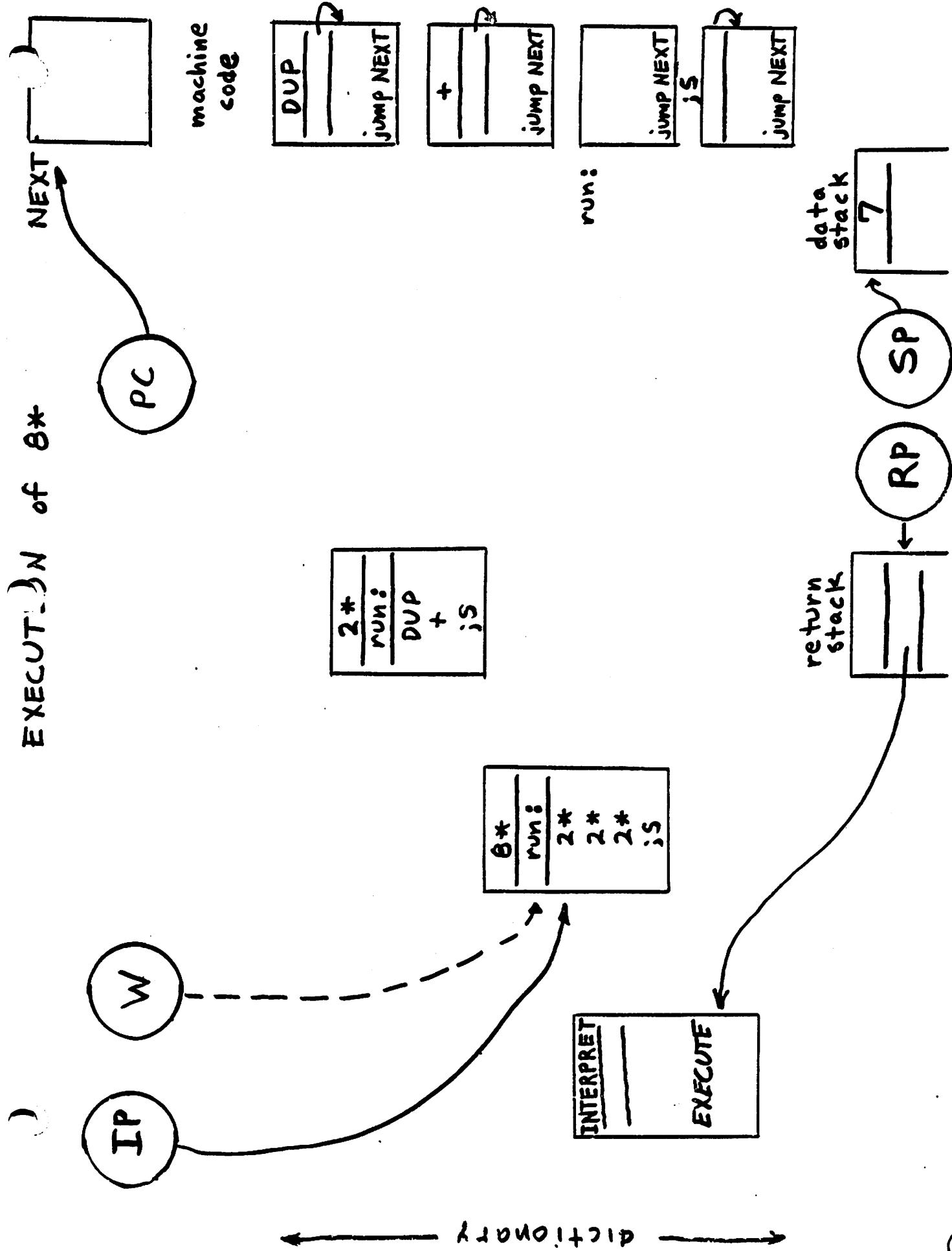


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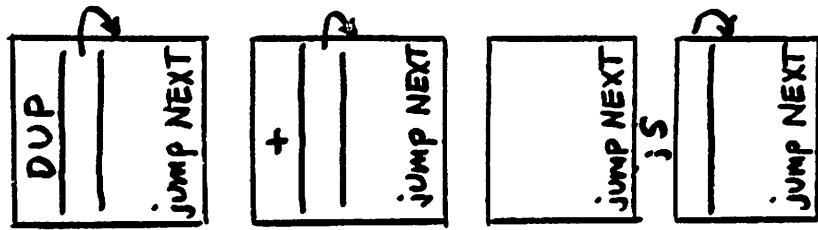




# EXECUTION of 8\*

NEXT

machine code



PC

2\*  
run:  
DUP  
+  
;S

8\*  
run:  
2\*  
2\*  
2\*  
;S

INTERPRET  
EXECUTE

W

IP

run:

data stack

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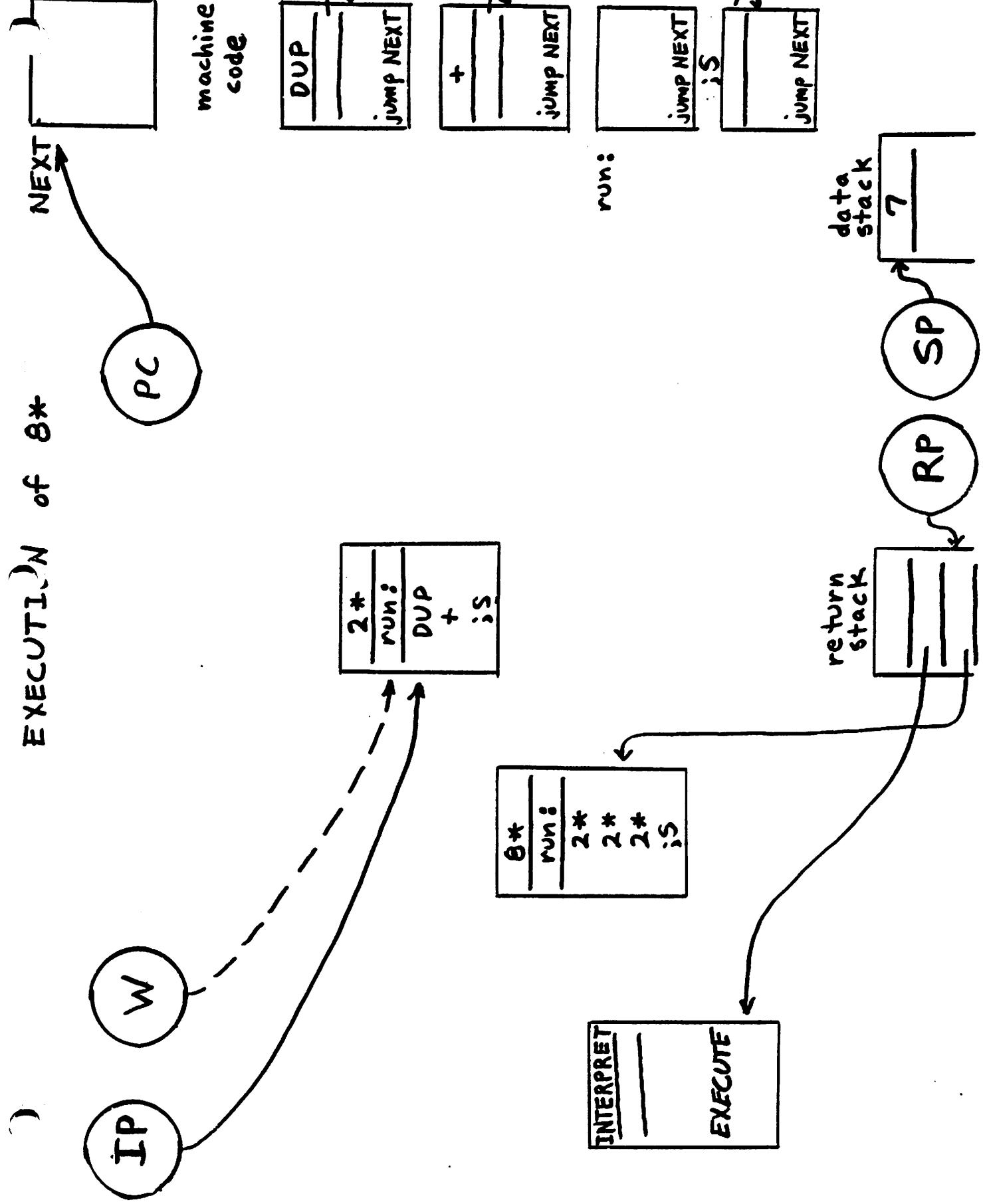
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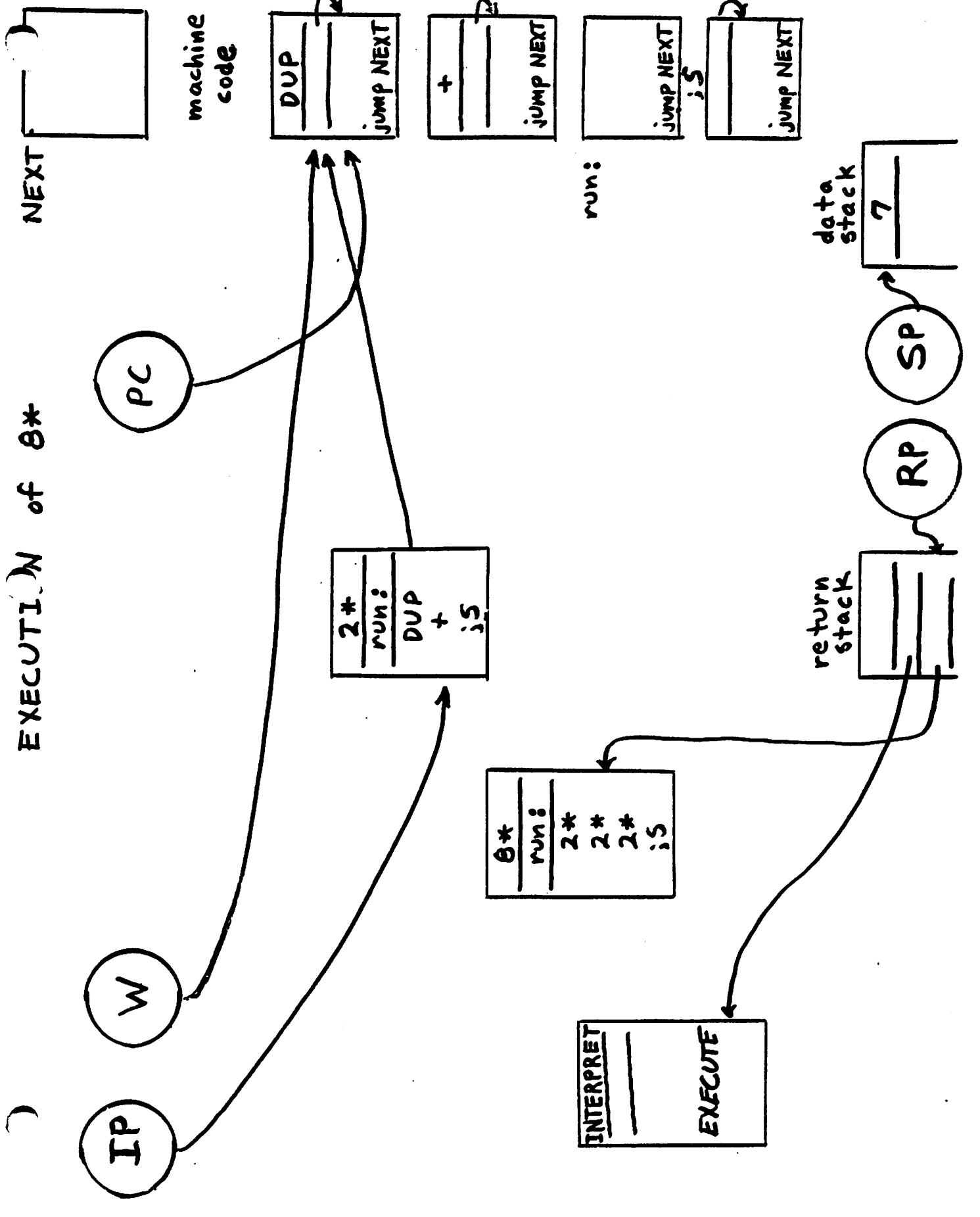
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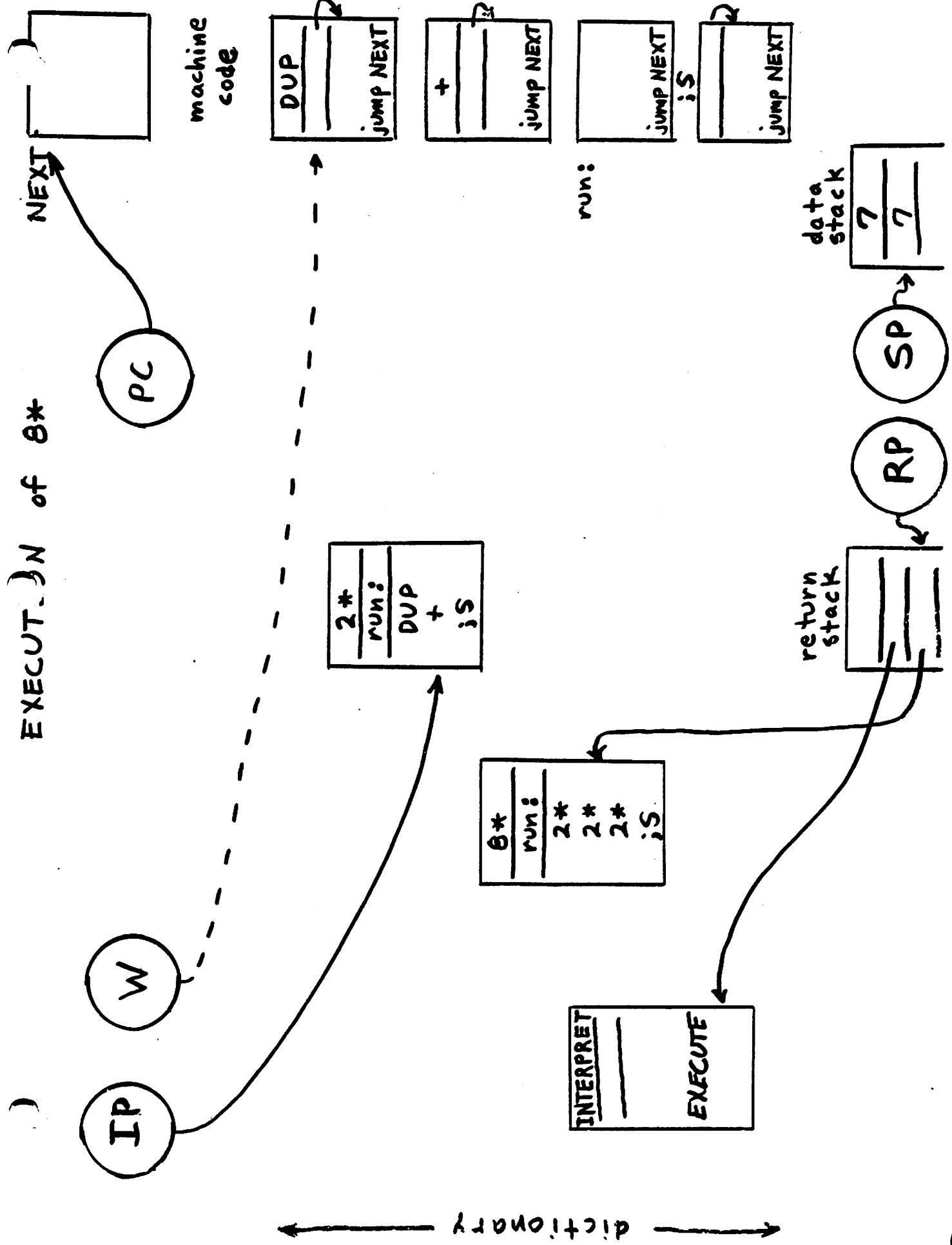
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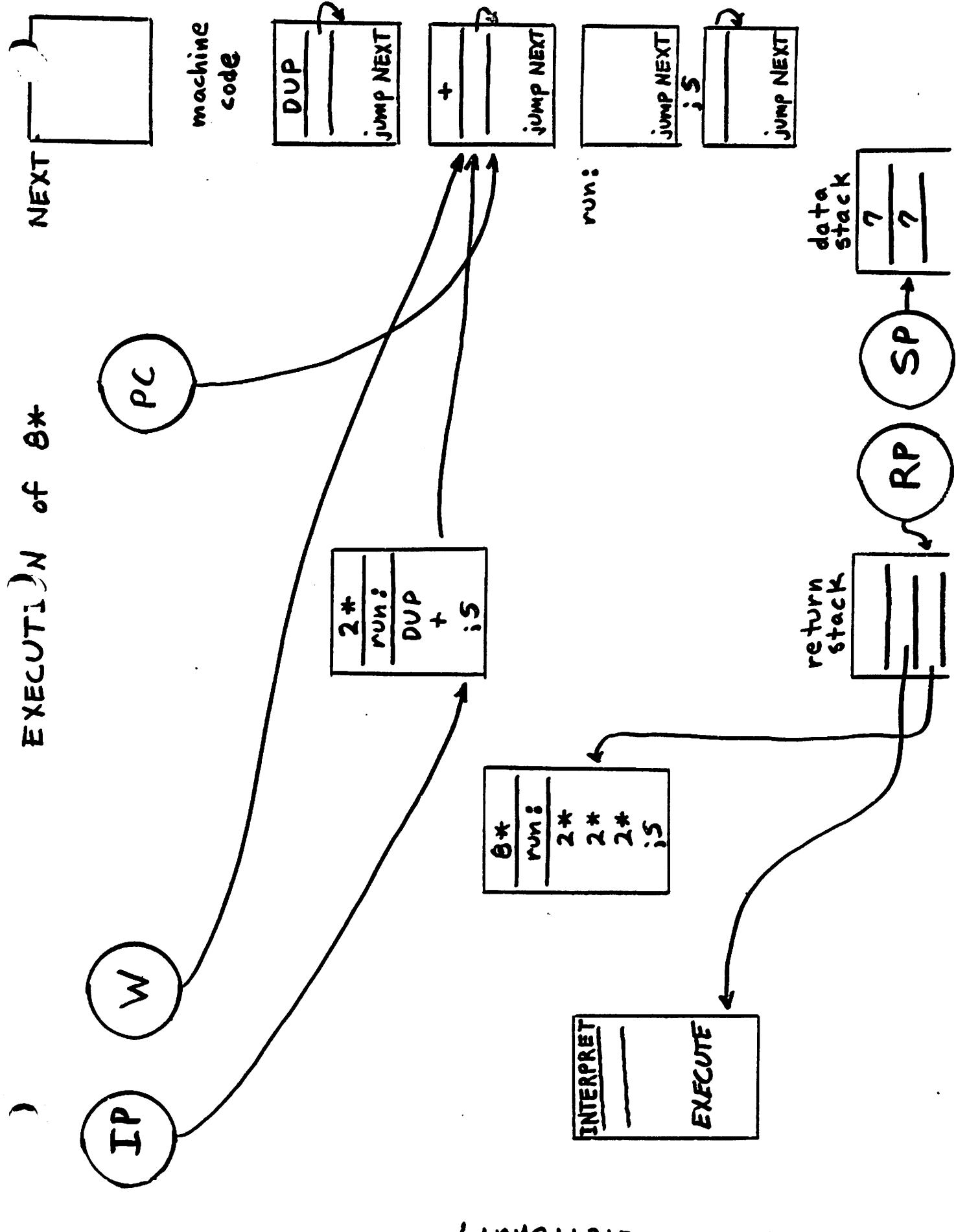
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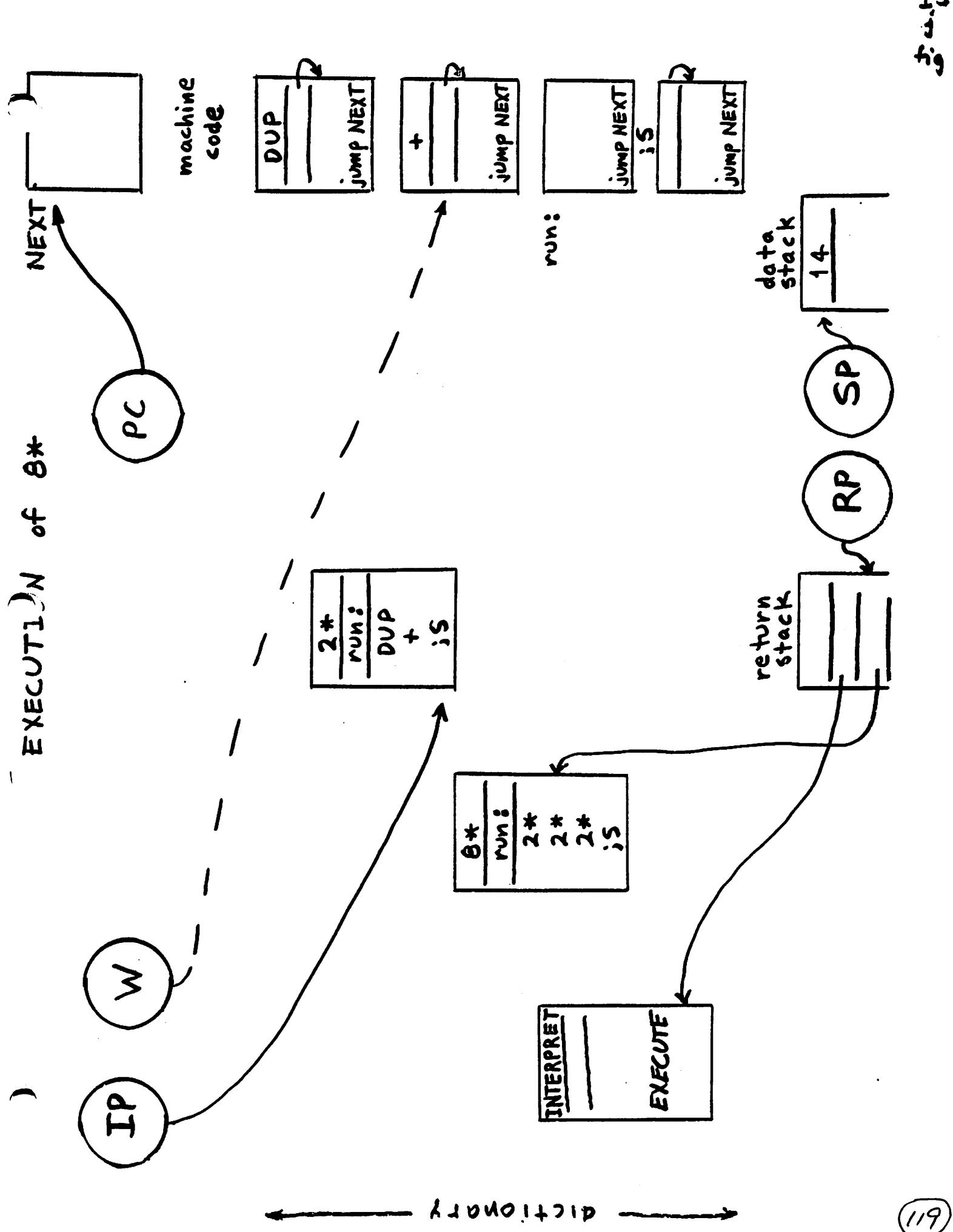
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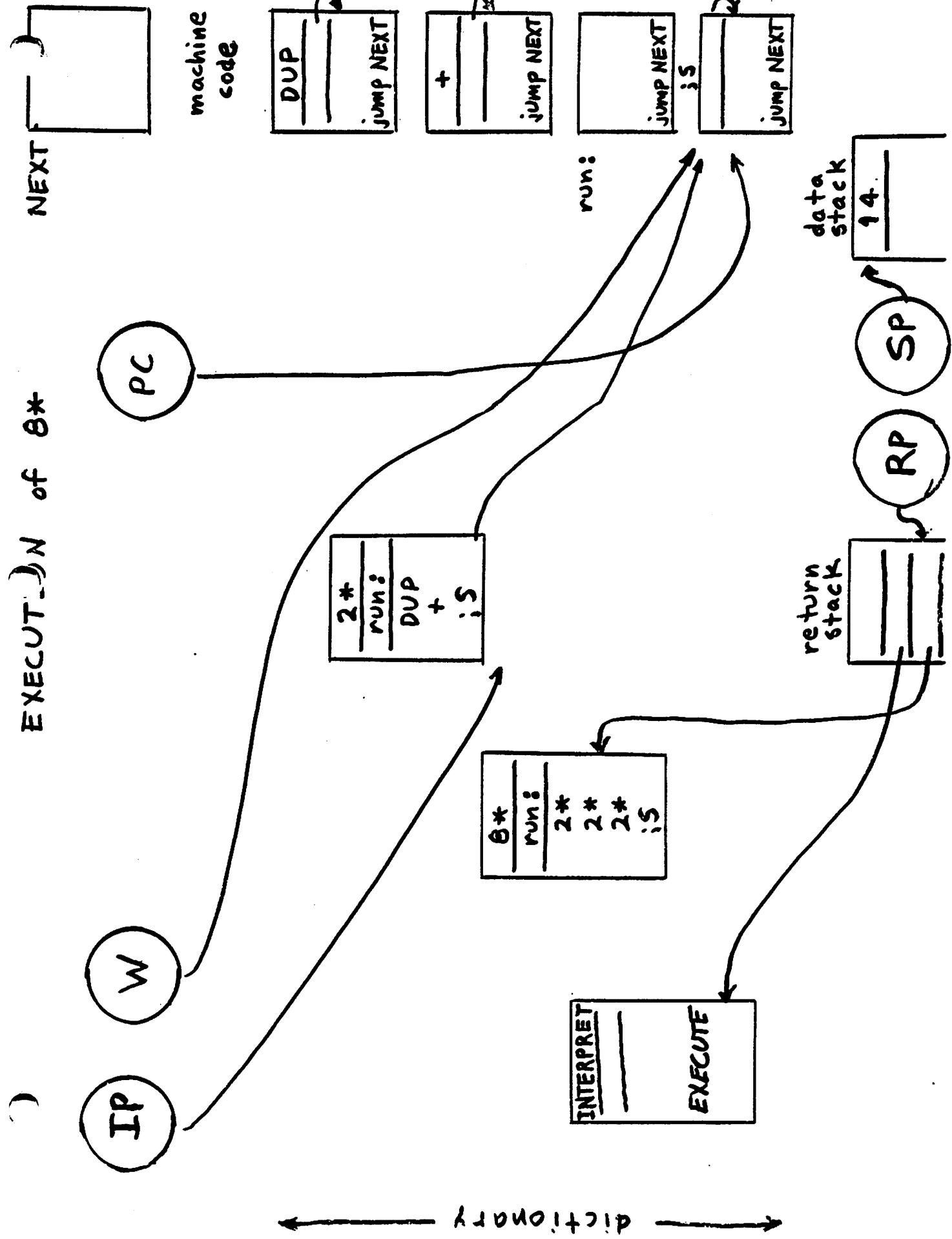
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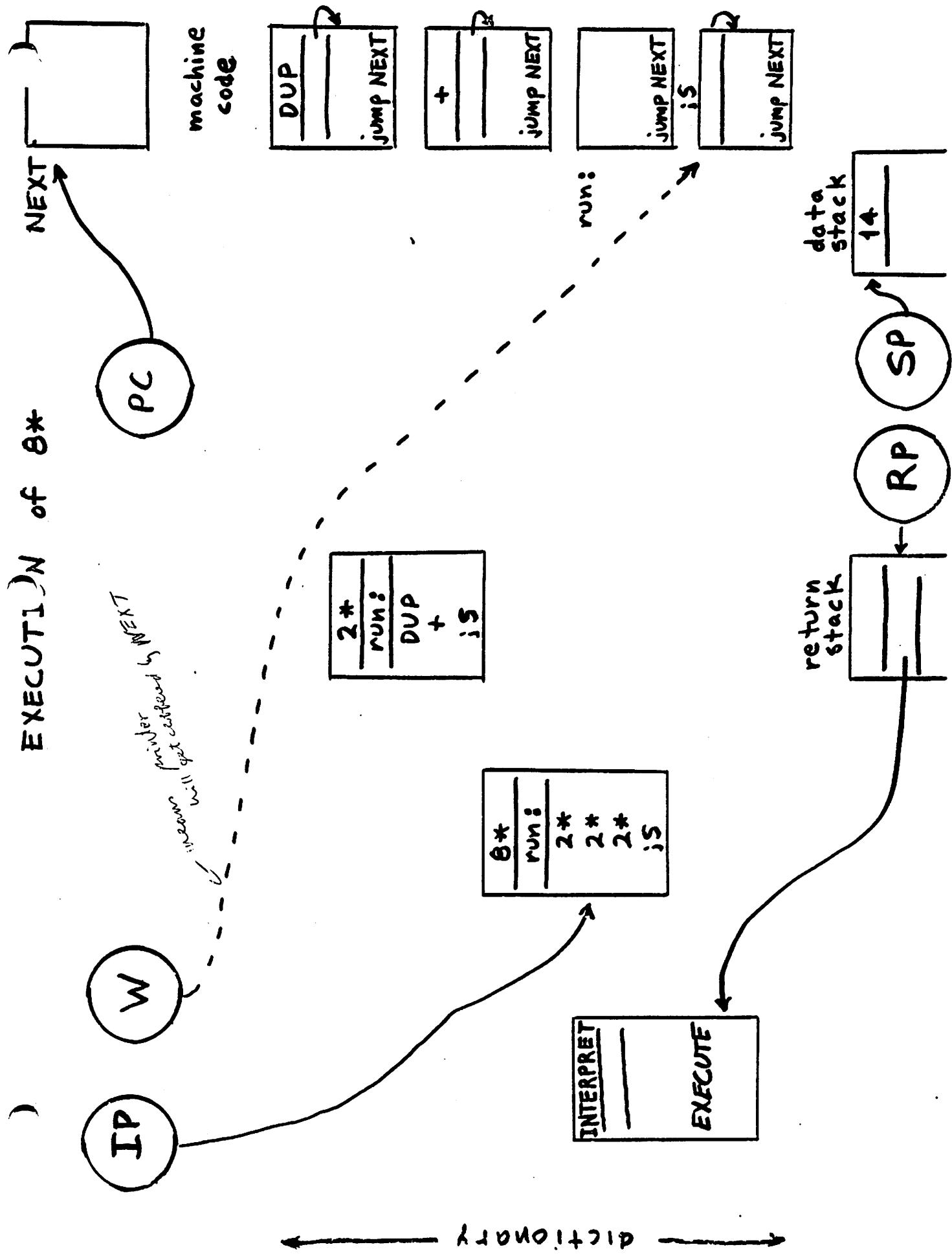
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Why is this address interpreter fast inspite of the  
above overhead ?

NEXT is 2 instructions on PDP-11

Answer : all we do is fetch addresses

E.g. P-code interpreter of PASCAL has to a detailed set of  
case statements

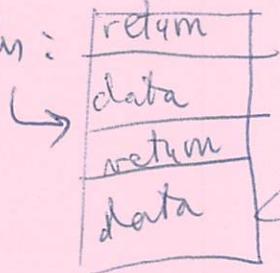
Microcoded versions of FORTH are running on HP 2100

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- may be coming on LXI-11

Why FORTH has 2 stacks

Diagram:



to access this data, requires multiple  
indirect fetches

"frame activation & deactivation"

- turns out to be less efficient

one major

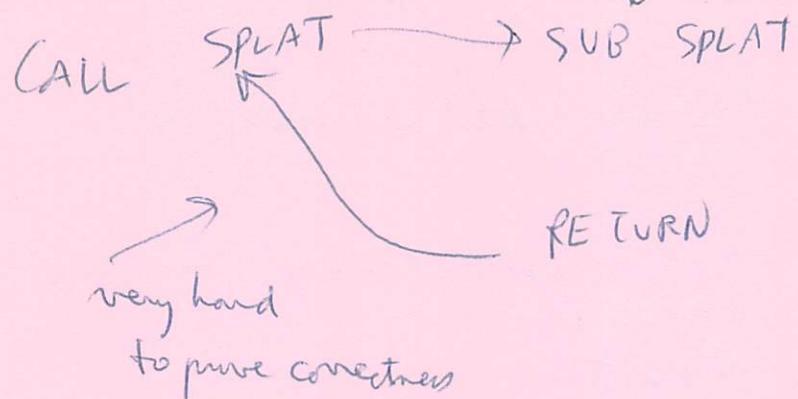
improvement over  
ALGOL

Use of W & indirect threaded code allows the nesting  
operation at the caller

& structured nesting & unnesting  
(over)

e.g. in BASIC, FORTRAN

this does the nesting



in FORTH, we don't have "CALL" → so we can test SPLAT independently

240 B/SCR

## \* VARIABLE #START

: ELEMENT  $\langle \text{index} \rangle$   $\langle \text{addr} \rangle$  2 \* B/BUF/MOD #START  
 @ + BLOCK + UPDATE;

(Test virtual array)

: INIT-ARRAY 500 @ DO I ELEMENT ! LOOP;  
 : .ARRAY @ DO CR I. SPACE = ELEMENT ? Loop;

(Make the virtual array into a file)

= AVAILABLE #1(--addr) #START @ BLOCK  
 UPDATE;

(e.g.)  
 @ AVAILABLE !  
 (String number)  
 : PUT AVAILABLE +!  
 AVAILABLE @ ELEMENT !; ~~CR~~ ~~lf~~

eg. 3 PUT

(Inspecting file entries)

SEE AVAILABLE @  
 +  
 ||| Do I ELEMENT ? LOOP;

forth class 6/29/80

L2

P. IZ 6

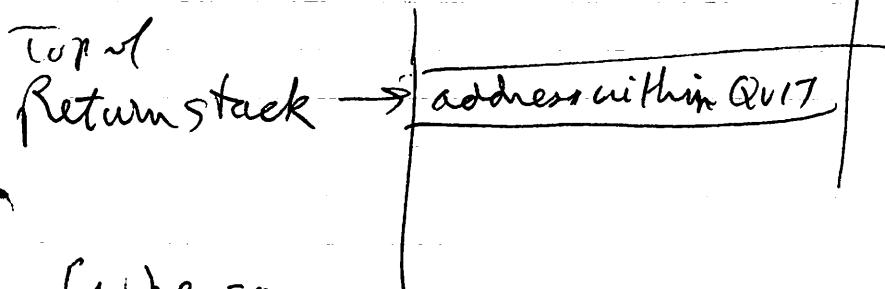
See screen #52

= INTERPRET -FIND

IF STATE @ <

- how to get out (at end of line);

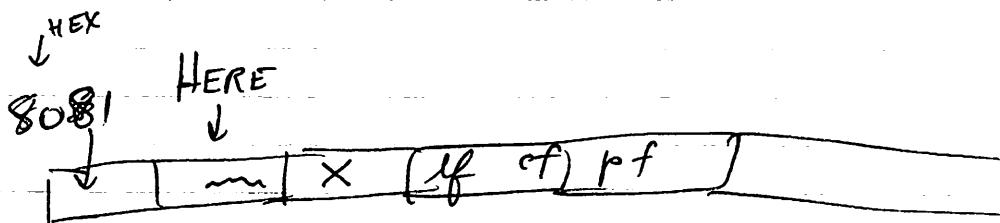
see QUIT



- uses word "null"  
screen 45

(When screen 45 loaded:

8081 is found by interpreter & put on data stack  
HERE - executed - address to



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! puts 8081 in addr of HERE

↑

- that puts in a word with name 1 byte long  
& name is ASCII null

↓

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- purpose of null: to get us out of whatever we're doing

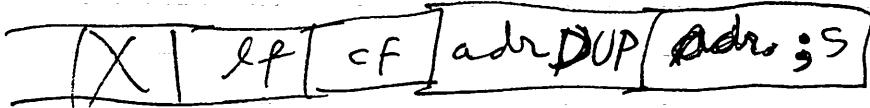
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RORTH Class

3

- Example for P. C9 r1

: X DUP ; ② ← time frame

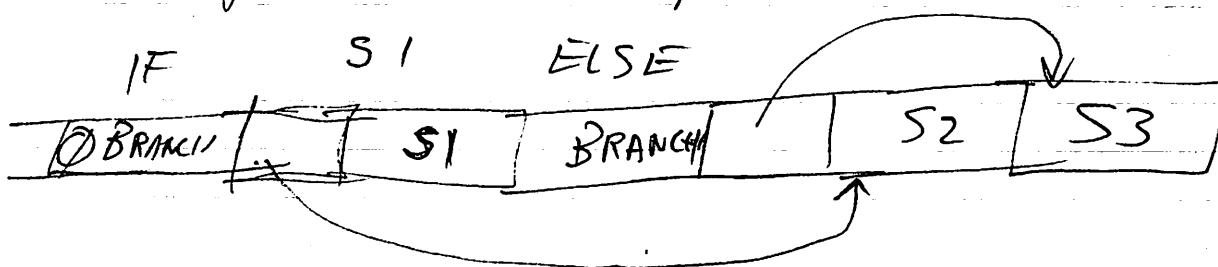


P. C12 r1

NOTE: Data stack not used by user  
~~by compiler~~ when compiling  
so available for

P. C#4  
r1

Desired dictionary result for "ELSE"



CORRECTIONS  
revised < & > that work!

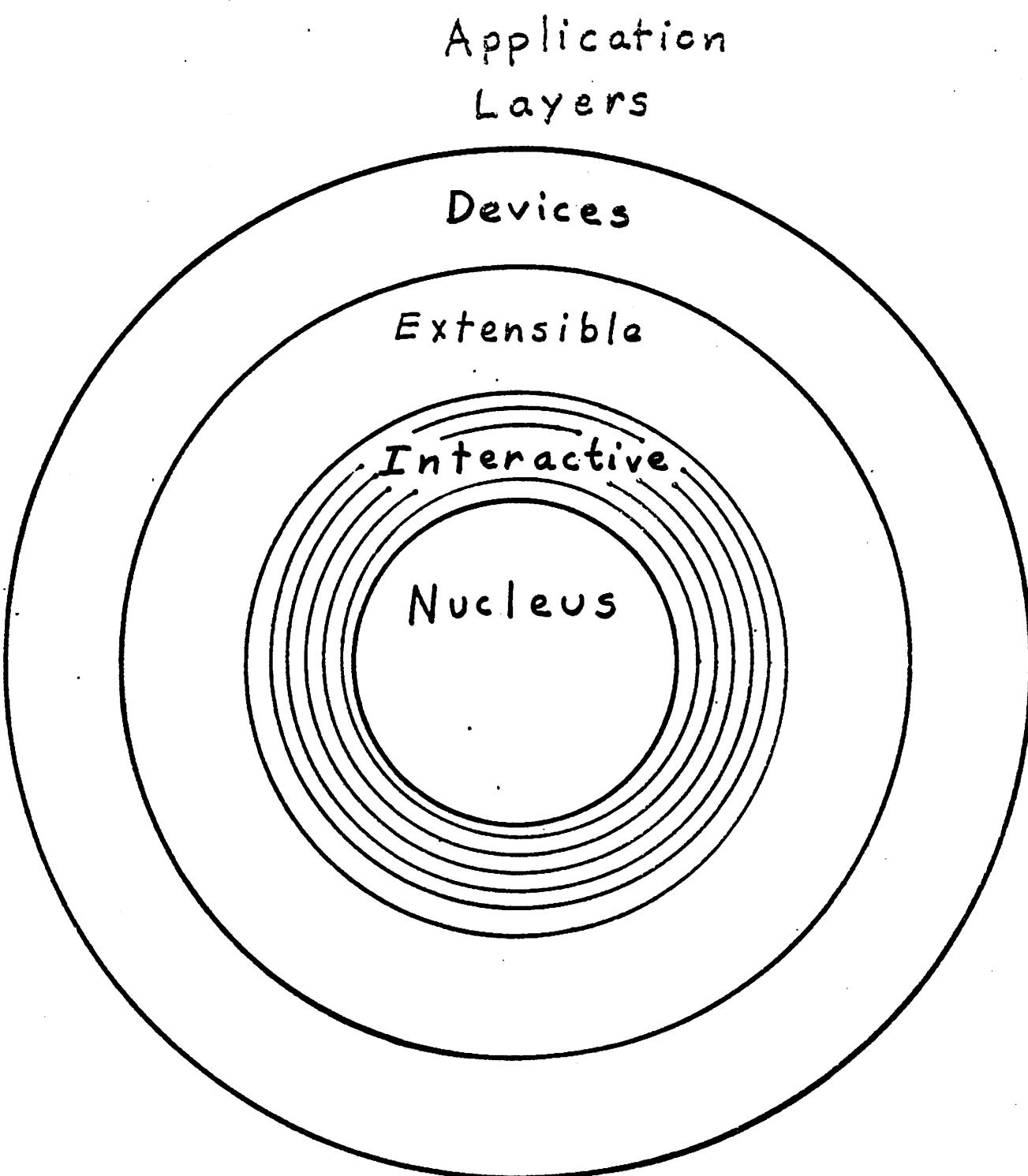
< 2DUP XOR OK IF DROP ELSE - THEN OK;

: UK 2DUP XOR OK IF DROP OK O= ELSE - OK  
THEN;

SCR #56 : S→D DUP OK MINUS ;

SCR #60 : FLUSH #BUF= ~~0~~ 1+ O DO φ  
BUFFER DROP Loop;

# FORTH VOCABULARIES

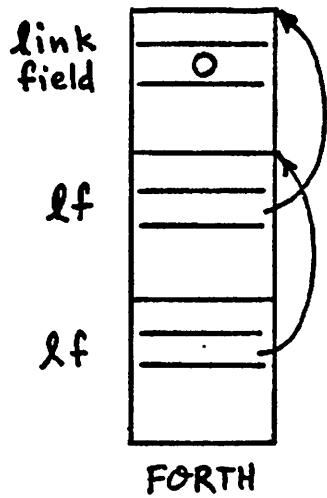


(about 5 yrs old)

V.2  
a  
fig

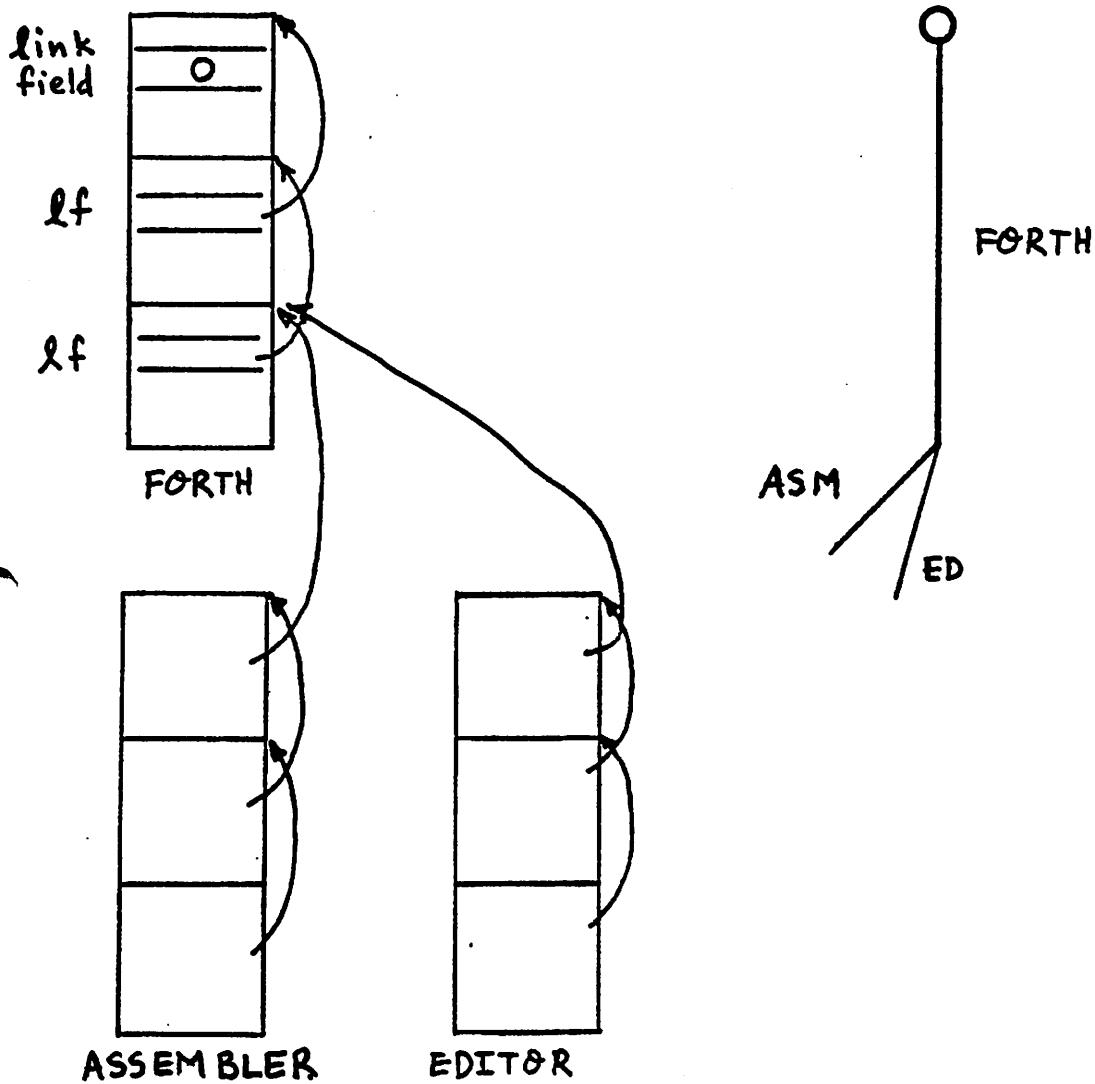
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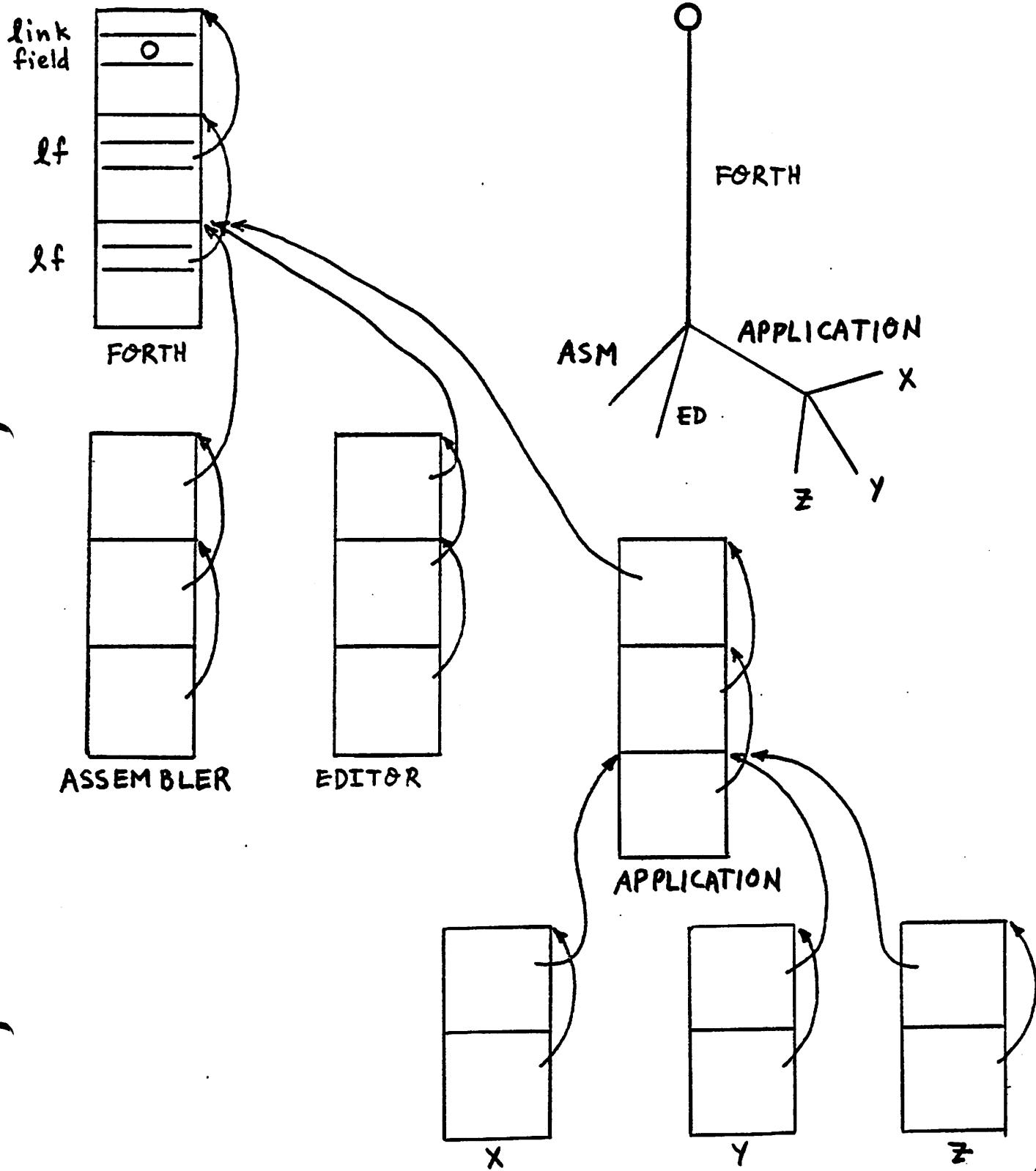
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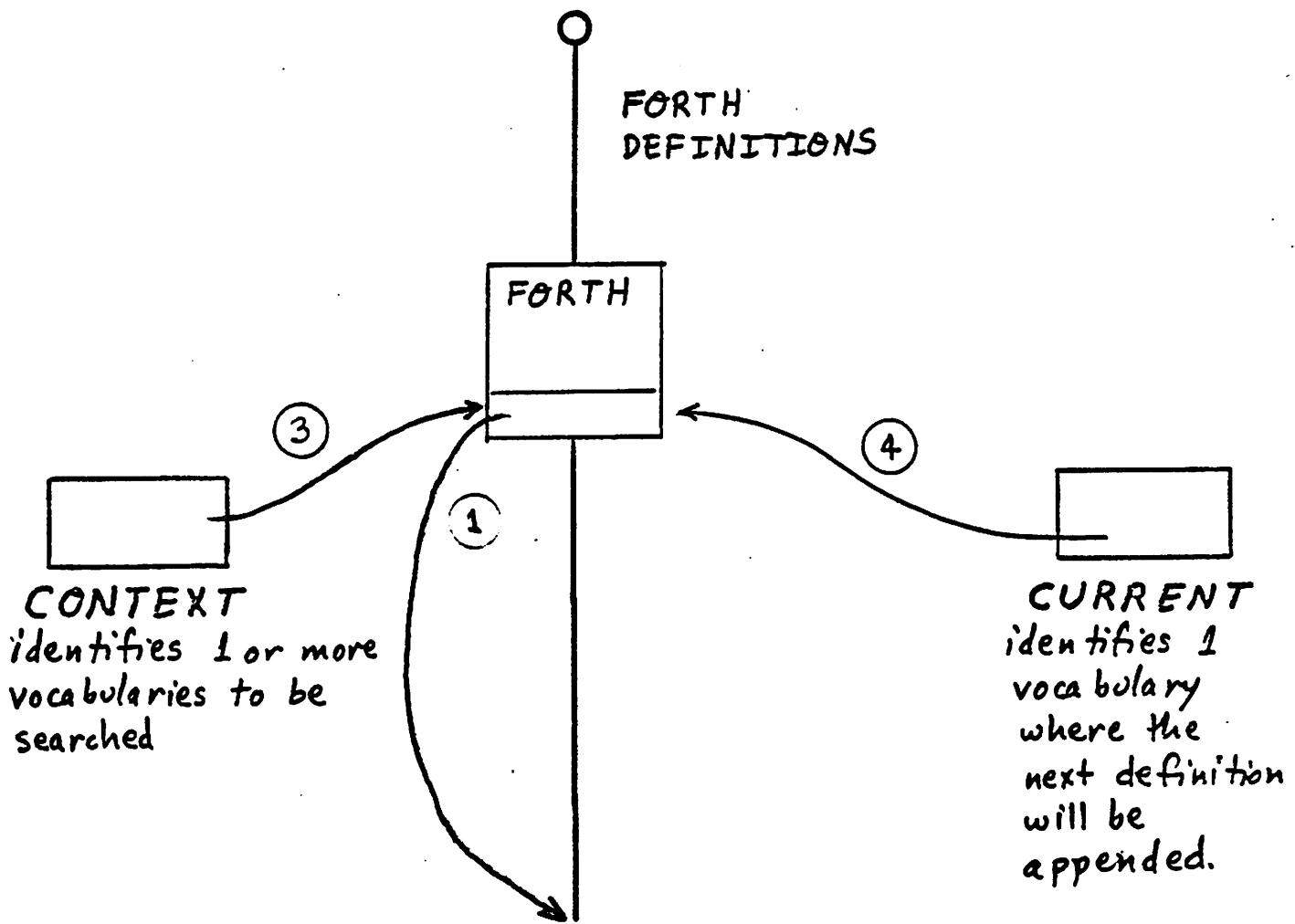
## Implementation requirements:

The dictionary is one memory area.  
Space is allocated and deallocated like  
a stack.

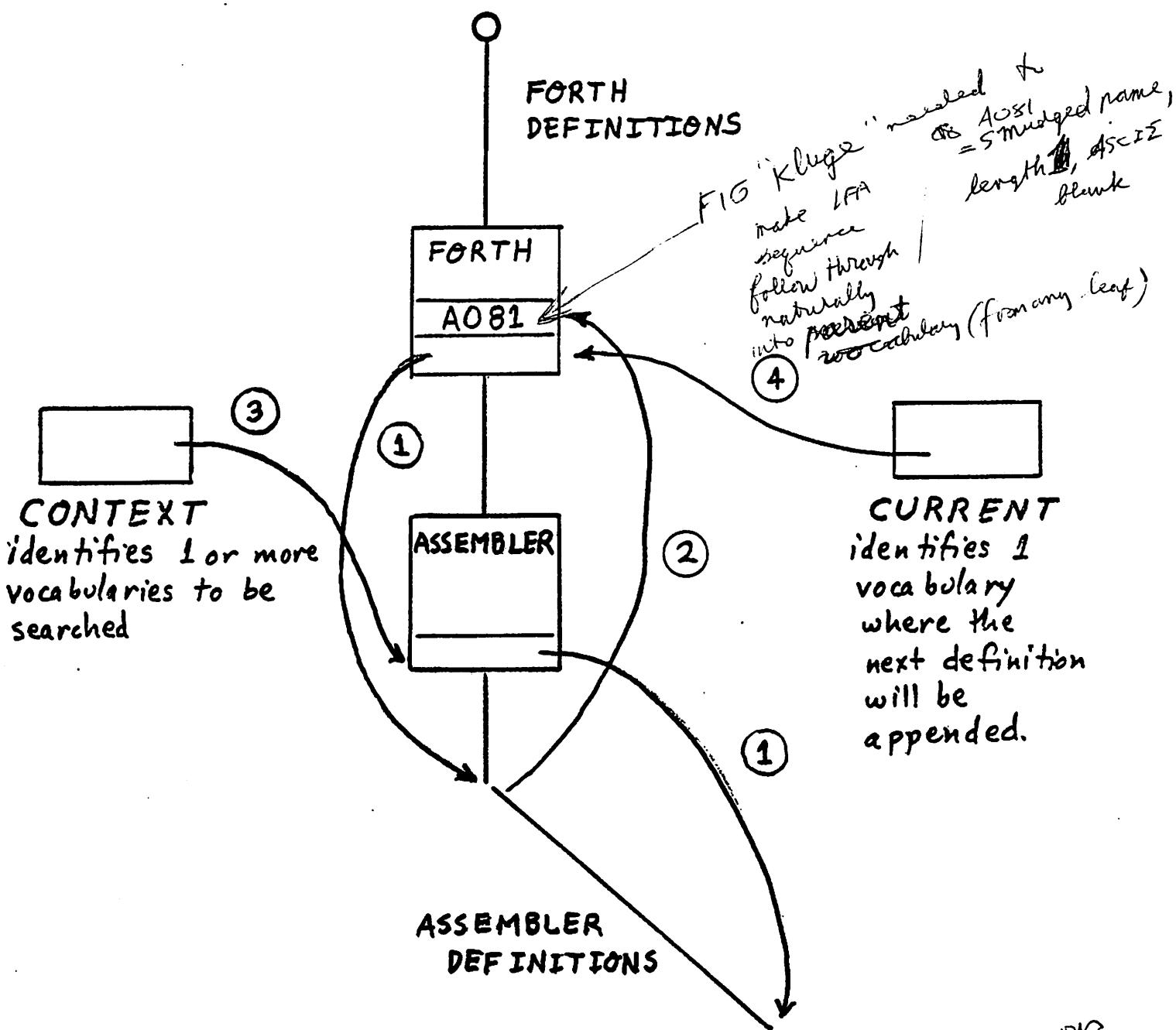
Definitions may be added to any vocabulary  
at any time.

- ① Need a pointer to the last definition in each vocabulary. This pointer must be changed each time a definition is added to the vocabulary.
- ② Must be able to chain the first definition of a "leaf" vocabulary to the last definition of its parent vocabulary.
- ③ Must be able to identify the subtree which will be searched.
- ④ Must be able to identify the read and write vocabularies separately.

## fig-FORTH implementation technique:



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NOTE: FORGET is very dangerous  
when you have  
intertwined vocabularies

## Defining a vocabulary

VOCABULARY name

VOCABULARY FORTH

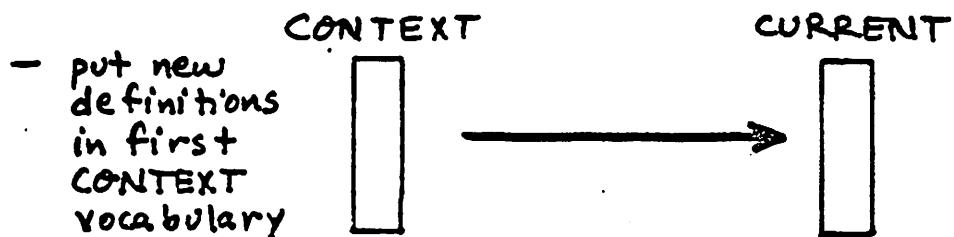
VOCABULARY ASSEMBLER

VOCABULARY EDITOR

## Using vocabularies

vocabulary-name stores pointer to named vocabulary  
in CONTEXT.  
identifies vocabulary subtree  
which may be subsequently  
searched.

DEFINITIONS sets CURRENT from CONTEXT



: (colon) sets CONTEXT from CURRENT

- search CURRENT vocabulary first



Reference definitions in the CONTEXT vocabularies.

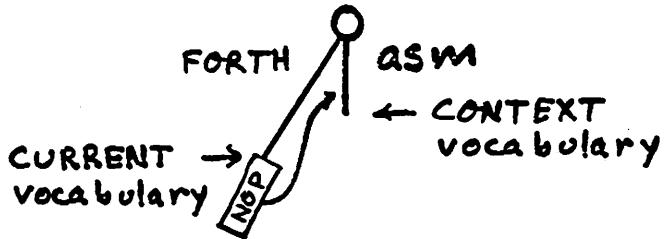
Append new definitions to the CURRENT vocabulary.

### Example:

Assume FORTH is both the CONTEXT and CURRENT vocabulary.

ASSEMBLER  
changes the  
CONTEXT vocabulary

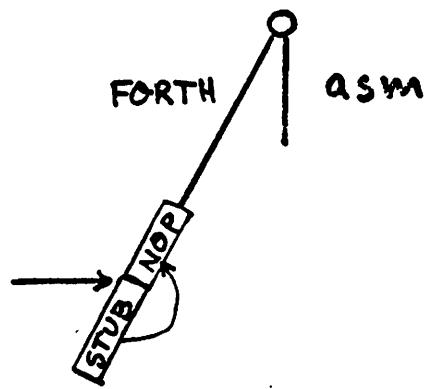
CODE NOP NEXT



- restores the CONTEXT vocabulary

CONTEXT  
CURRENT  
vocabulary

‡

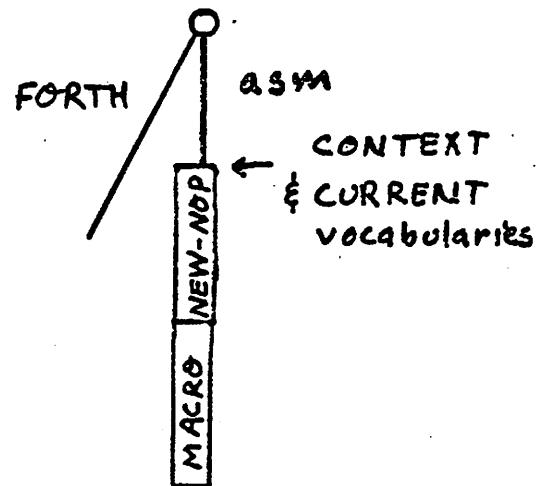


: STUB NOP ;

## ASSEMBLER DEFINITIONS

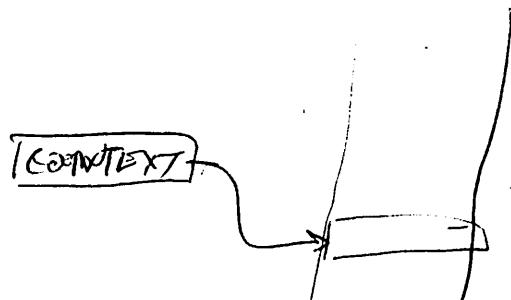
changes both CONTEXT  
& CURRENT vocabularies  
to assembler

CODE NEW-NOP NEXT



: MACRO NEW-NOP NEW-NOP ;

: ?VOC CONTEXT @ 4 -  
NFA ID. ;

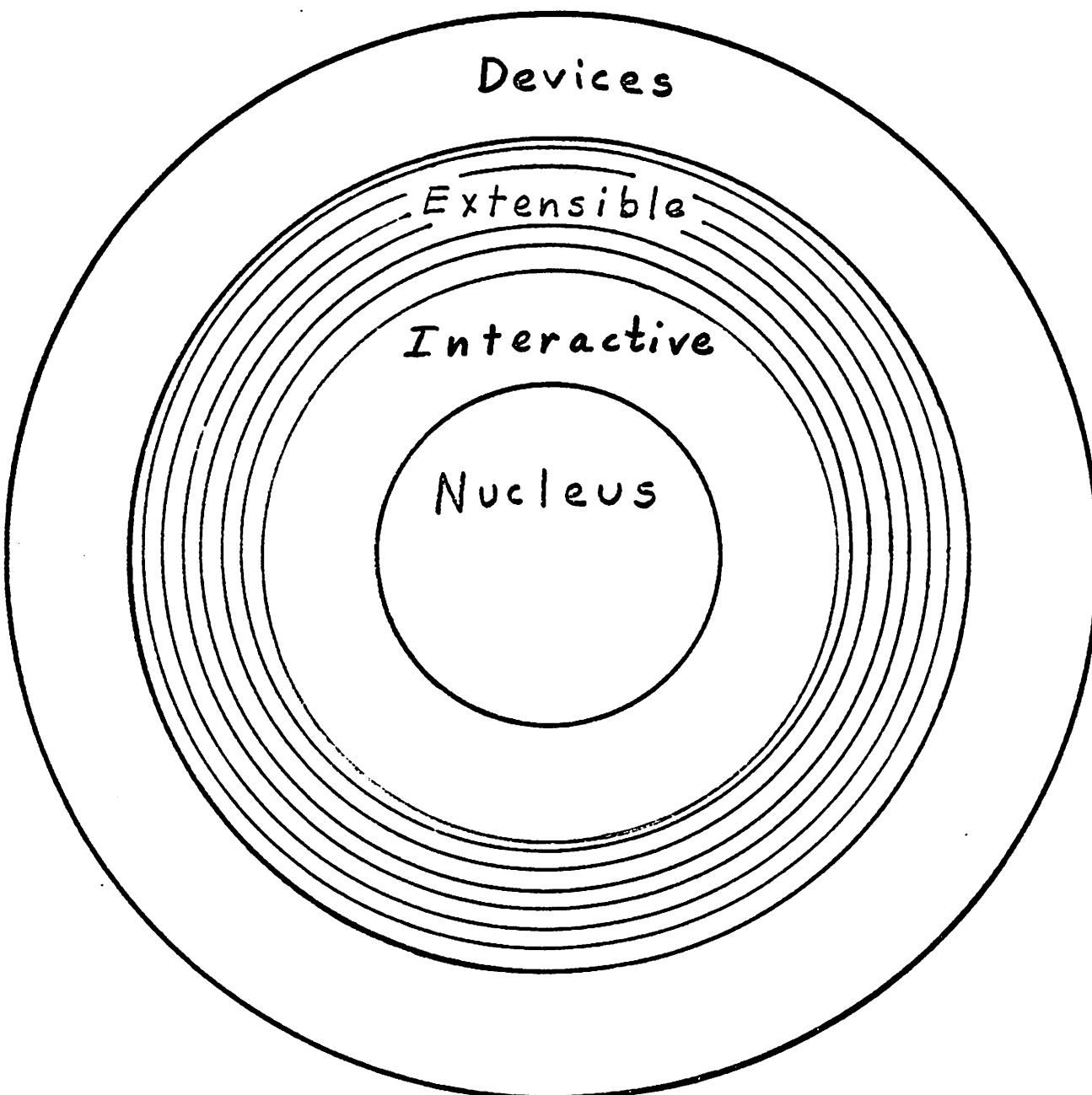


# DEFINING WORDS

( or how to write a compiler in 25 words or less )

Application

Layers



# USING DEFINING WORDS

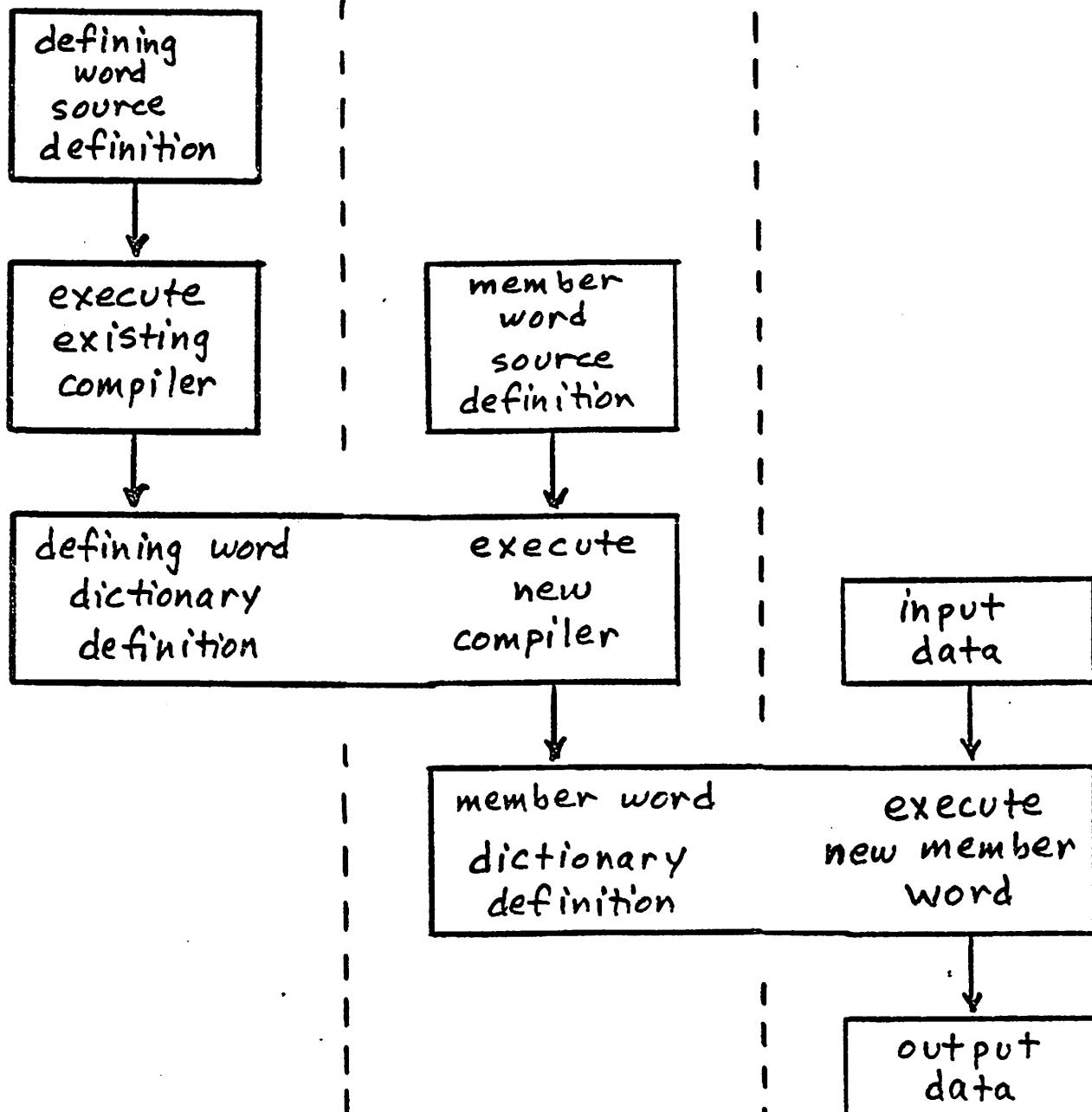
Time

Sequence:

1

2

3



Compile a new defining word.

Execute the new defining word;  
Compile a new member word.

Execute the new member word.

## DEFINING WORDS

are FORTH definitions which, when executed, create entire new definitions in the dictionary.

Predefined defining words:

:

CONSTANT  
VARIABLE  
USER  
VOCABULARY  
CODE

It is possible to create new defining words (ie, specialized compilers) which can subsequently be used to create a new family of member words.

Defining words are useful for creating data structures and procedures

which share a common execution-time behaviour.

Proper use can substantially reduce software development time, reduce program size, and improve readability with no execution-time penalty.

To define a new defining word,  
an existing defining word (eg, :) is used.  
This occurs at sequence ①.

The definition specifies the  
compile-time activity ②  
and the  
execution-time activity ③  
of each member of the family.

The form of a new defining word's definition is

• new-defining-word

② <BUILDS compile-time words

③ DOES> execution-time words  
or  
;CODE assembly language

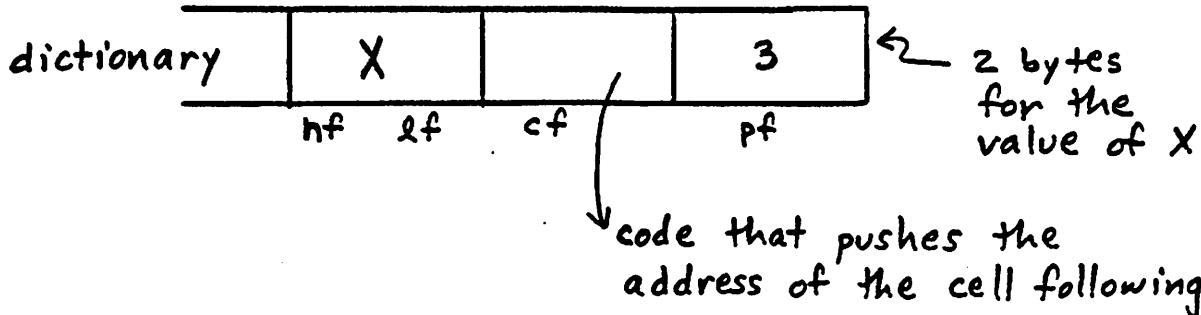
;

Example of a high-level definition of a defining word: VARIABLE

(2)

## 3 VARIABLE X

member creation-time



(3)

3 X !

X ? CR 3 ok

member execution-time

(1)

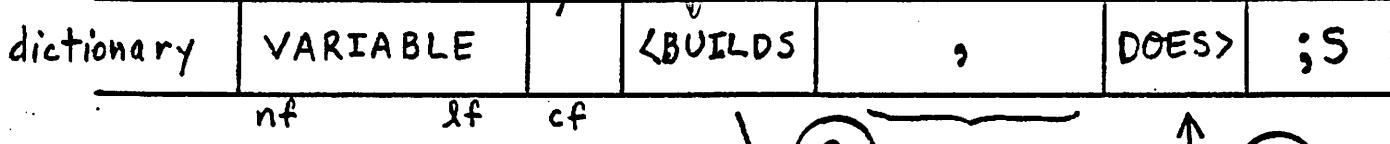
## : VARIABLE

defining word creation-time

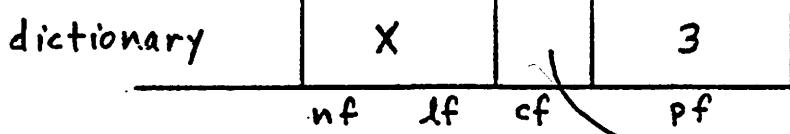
&lt;BUILDS ,

DOES&gt;

; ; CODE for speed



~ (2)  
result



: CONSTANT &lt;BUILDS , DOES&gt; @;

"logical" drawing - not physical pointers

"mysterious GREEN ARROW"! see yellow nodes (142)

# Create a 1 Dimensional byte array

Determine the compile-time action of member words:

2  
use defining word

5 CVECTOR LINE

#bytes

array name

new defining word

Determine the execution-time action of member words:

3  
use member word

3 LINE C@

subscript

returns address of selected byte

Define the new defining word:

no. elts ---

: CVECTOR

1  
create defining word

<BUILDS ALLOT DOES> + ;

run:

dictionary	CVECTOR		<BUILDS	ALLOT	DOES>	+	;
	nf	lf	cf				

2  
result

dictionary	LINE		5 bytes
	nf	lf	cf

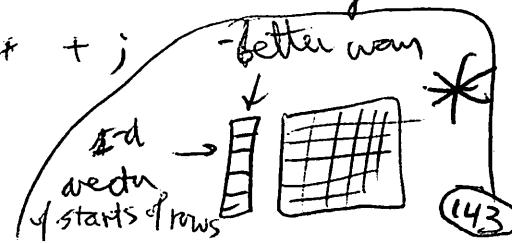
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3

2-d vector array  
-FORTRAN etc  
use \* & + to  
index into 1-d  
array

2 byte array:

: VECTOR <BUILDS 2\* ALLOT DOES> SWAP 2+ + ;



## Examples of using LINE:

: FILL-LINE 5 0 DO 65 I + I LINE C!  
LOOP ;

: PRINT-LINE 5 0 DO I LINE C@ EMIT  
SPACE LOOP ;

FILL-LINE (CR) ok

PRINT-LINE (CR) A B C D E ok

## Variations on CVECTOR:

Subscripts starting from 1 (instead of 0)

: CVECTOR <BUILDS ALLOT  
DOES> + 1- ;

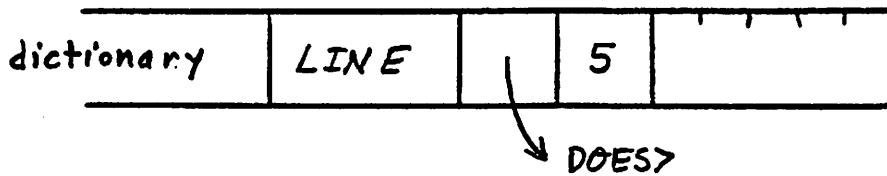
Initialize member arrays to blanks when  
they are created

: BLANK&ALLOT (#bytes ---)  
HERE OVER BLANKS  
ALLOT ;

: CVECTOR <BUILDS BLANK&ALLOT  
DOES> + ;

Check subscript range on each reference  
to all member words

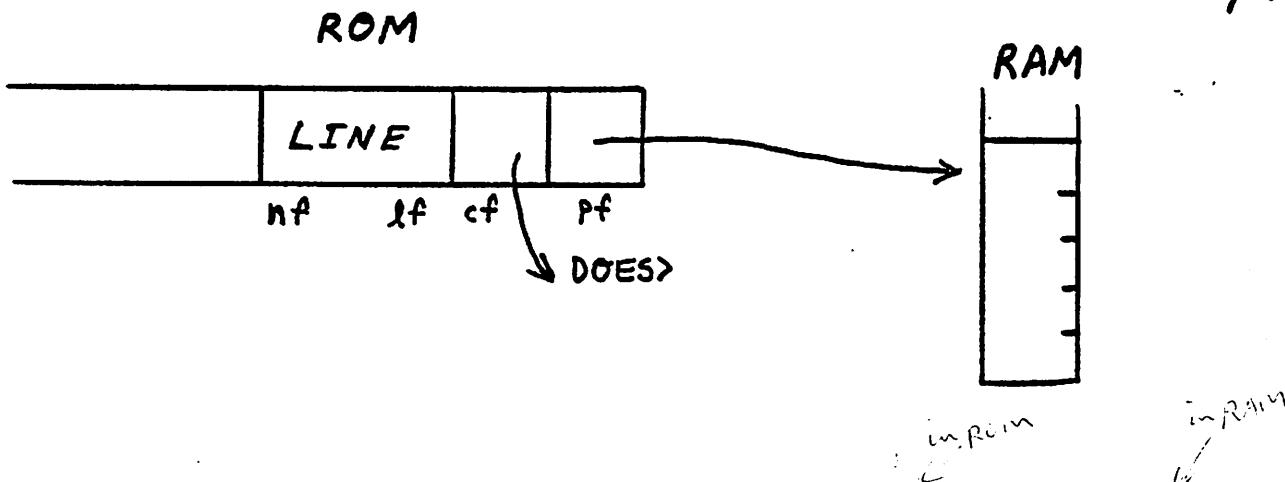
Must store array size in member's definition



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: CVECTOR <BUILDS DUP , ALLOT
          OVER OVER
DOES> 2DUP @ UK
IF      + 2+   checks for negative subscripts
ELSE    @ . .
        ." Range error" ABORT
THEN   ;
```

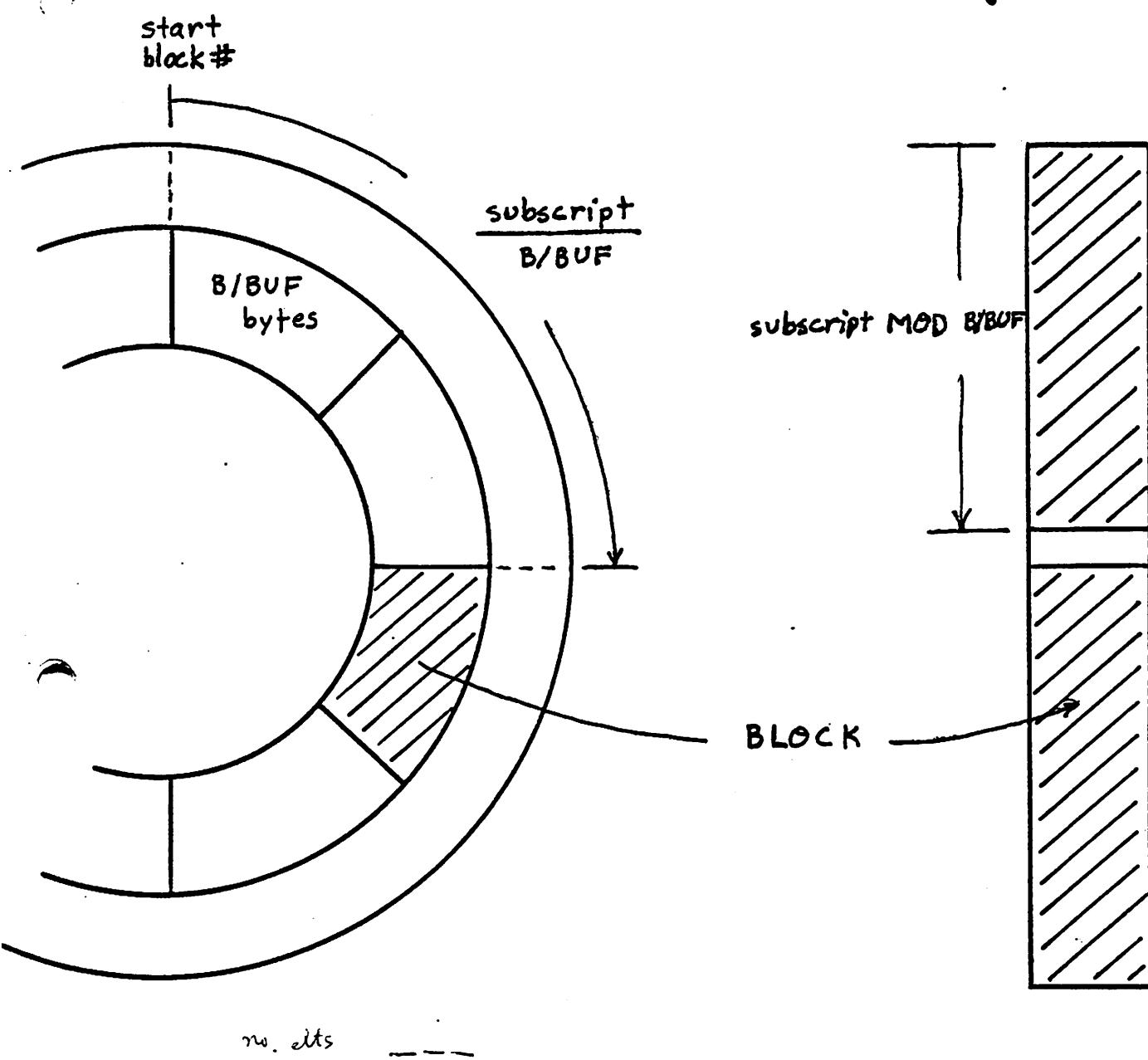
checks for signed values

Definition in ROM, data in RAM (writable memory)



```
: CVECTOR <BUILDS THERE , ALLOT
DOES> @ + ;
```

Virtual array: definition in the dictionary,  
data on mass storage



: CVECTOR <BUILDS start-block# , DROP

DOES > @ SWAP

B/BUF /MOD ROT +

BLOCK + UPDATE ;

Defining word example: CASE: execution vector

Define some cases

: OPET ." DOG " ; : 1PET ." CAT " ;

: 2PET ." RAT " ; : 3PET ." SNAKE " ;

Using defining word

(2) CASE: ANIMAL OPET 1PET 2PET 3PET ;

source definition

Creating defining word

: CASE: <BUILDS ] SMUDGE

(1) DOES> SWAP 2\* + @

EXECUTE ;

dictionary	CASE:	run:	<BUILDS	]	SMUDGE	DOES>	SWAP	...
	nf	lf	cf					

2	result	dictionary	ANIMAL		OPET	1PET	2PET	3PET	;5
			nf	lf	cf				

Using member word

- (3) 0 ANIMAL CR DOG ok  
 1 ANIMAL CR CAT ok  
 3 ANIMAL CR SNAKE ok

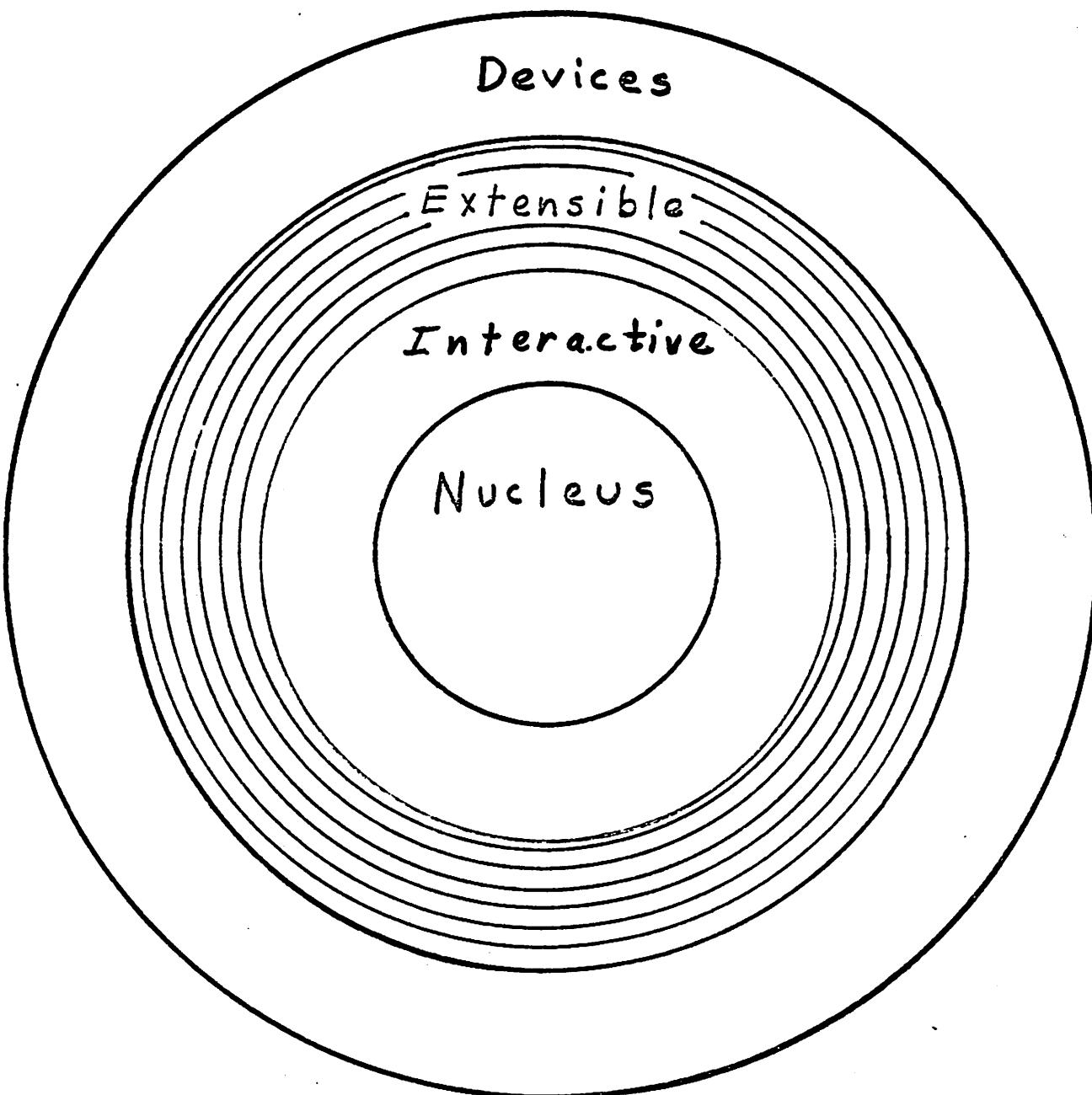
← P.g. Kim used this for a random phrase generator

SOFTAPE :

;" is <BUILDS , DOES>

# FORTH ASSEMBLER

## Application Layers



# FORTH ASSEMBLER

## ATTRIBUTES:

"CODE" words interface exactly like ":" words  
universal reference  
stack arguments

Allows full machine speed  
and full access to hardware details  
carry, overflow flags  
interrupts

Resident vocabulary

Source from keyboard or disk,  
Object code to normal memory (normal mode)  
or to disk and alternate memory space  
(target compiling mode)

Macro capability

Structured programming control structures

"Meta assembler" (table driven) allows  
full control over assembly process

All capabilities of FORTH system available during  
assembly, e.g. assembly-time calculations,  
dictionary search,  
editing.

## USEAGE:

CODE name	body	ending
CREATES dictionary head for "name" and invokes ASSEMBLER vocabulary (as the CONTEXT vocabulary)	assembler words literals FORTH words	jump to address interpreter or multitasker

Examples are for LSI-11 poly FORTH

Endings:	NEXT	(macro) jump to address interpreter
	POP JMP	discard top of stack, jump to NEXT
	PUSH JMP	push register 0 onto stack, jump to NEXT
	PUT JMP	store register 0 into top of stack, jump to NEXT
	WAIT	(macro) jump to multitasker (like PAUSE)

## Assembler words:

## 1 operand instructions:

operand	mnemonic
eg.	CLR, NEG, ASL

## 2 operand instructions:

destination-operand	source-operand	mnemonic
eg.	ADD MOV XOR	

( Note: operand order is opposite on 8080's. )

Operands may be registers, numeric values (eg, immediate data, addresses), and addressing mode modifiers.

### Registers :

number	name ( assignment )
0	scratch
1	scratch
2	W
3	U
4	I
5	S
6	R
7	PC
	User variables base
	Interpreter
	Stack pointer
	Return stack pointer
	processor's Program Counter

### Immediate data, addresses:

value #

eg. CODE ONE 0 1# MOV PUSH JMP

( Traditional assembler syntax: MOV #1,0 )

### Addressing mode modifiers:

Relative addressing reg )

eg. CODE MINUS S ) NEG NEXT

( Traditional syntax: NEG (S) )

Relative, post increment reg ) +

eg. CODE DROP S )+ TST NEXT

( Traditional syntax: TST (S)+ )

Relative, pre decrement reg -)

eg. LABEL PUSH S -) 0 MOV NEXT

( Traditional syntax: MOV 0, (S-) )

Indexed

displacement reg)

eg. CODE SWAP

0	2	S)	M&V
2	S)	S )	M&V
		PUT	JMP

Conditional control structures:

result-flag	IF	true-phrase	ELSE	false-phrase	THEN
					<u>optional</u>

BEGIN	loop-body	result-flag	END
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result flags:

O<	Negative flag set
O>	Negative flag clear

O=	zero flag set
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CS	Carry flag Set
----	----------------

VS	overflow flag Set
----	-------------------

Macros: while in the ASSEMBLER DEFINITIONS

: macro-name      assembler words ;

eg.

: NEXT      w      I )+ MOV  
              w )+ ) JMP ;

NATIONAL |  
42-381 50 SHEETS 1 SQUARE  
42-382 100 SHEETS 2 SQUARE  
42-389 200 SHEETS 3 SQUARE

Interrupts:

address-interrupt-code    address-interrupt-vector    INTERRUPT

installs interrupt

interrupt-code must be CPU code (not code field edit)

Interrupt routine form:

LABEL    A/D      ...      RTI

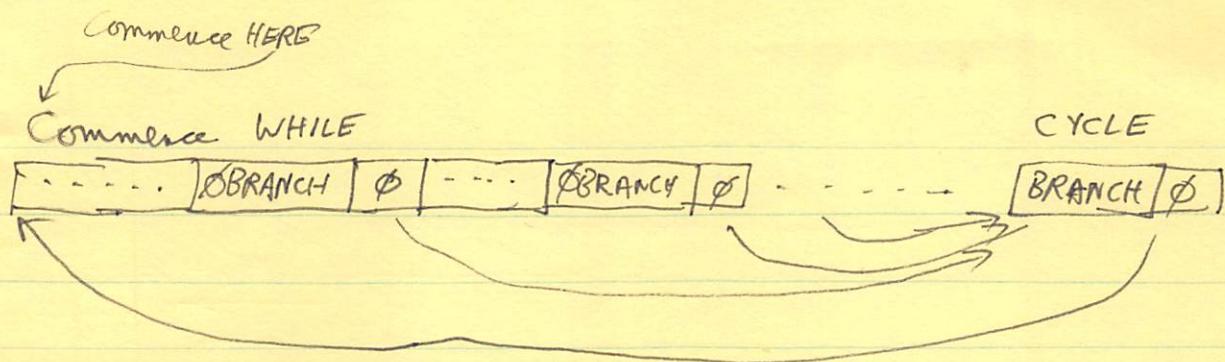
To install this code at address  $177777_8$ :

A/D    177777    INTERRUPT

0 ( Solution: Multiexit loop structure )  
1  
2 : <-BRANCH HERE - , ;  
3 : ->BRANCH HERE OVER - SWAP ! ;  
4  
5 : COMMENCE HERE 0 ; IMMEDIATE  
6 : &WHILE COMPILE OBRANCH HERE 0 , ; IMMEDIATE  
7 : CYCLE COMPILE BRANCH 0 ,  
8 BEGIN -DUP WHILE ->BRANCH ?STACK REPEAT  
9 -2 ALLOT <-BRANCH ; IMMEDIATE  
10  
11 : MULTI-TEST COMMENCE DUP , 1 - DUP &WHILE  
12 DUP , 1 - DUP &WHILE DUP , 1 - DUP &WHILE  
13 CR CYCLE DROP ;  
14  
  
10 MULTI-TEST 10 9 8  
7 6 5  
4 3 2  
1 OK  
9 MULTI-TEST 9 8 7  
6 5 4  
3 2 1 OK  
6 MULTI-TEST 6 5 4  
3 2 1 OK  
2 MULTI-TEST 2 1 OK  
. 46 .? Empty Stack

0 ( Multi-exit sequence structure )  
1  
2 : &IF [COMPILE] &WHILE ; IMMEDIATE  
3 : FIN BEGIN -DUP WHILE ->BRANCH ?STACK REPEAT  
4 DROP ; IMMEDIATE  
5  
6  
7 : SEQ-TEST COMMENCE DUP , 1 - DUP &IF  
8 DUP , 1 - DUP &IF DUP , 1 - DUP &IF  
9 DUP , FIN DROP ;  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
OK  
10 SEQ-TEST 10 9 8 7 OK  
4 SEQ-TEST 4 3 2 1 OK  
3 SEQ-TEST 3 2 1 OK  
2 SEQ-TEST 2 1 OK  
1 SEQ-TEST 1 OK  
0 SEQ-TEST 0 -1 -2 -3 OK  
. 46 .? Empty Stack

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# VECTOR for virtual array

start block # ← decided initially

or alternatively  
could keep a  
variable  
**DISK-HERE**

& write around  
**DISK-ALLOT**

write **BASED.**

② 16 **BASED.** H.

(2) in H.

exec. time

- 1) save **BASE**
- 2) set **BASE** to value
- 3) restore

: **BASED.** <BUILDS

**BASE DUP @**

~~OVER~~ **BASE DUP**

~~SWAP~~ **ROT**

**SWAP !**

, DOES >

~~BASE DUP~~

desired base cur. base  
base addn. base

**BASE DUP @**

**ROT**

**BASE @ SWAP @**

desired base cur. base  
base addn. base  
**SWAP**

**BASE !**

**BASE !**

note: this is same as CONSTANT

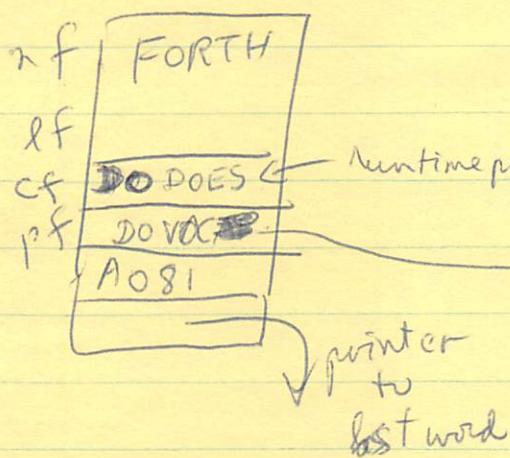
class ---

• LOADED-BY <BUILD> DOES>

@ LOAD ;

The F16 FORTH "kludge" for <BUILD> DOES>

member word



Runtime portion of DOES>

this code pretends that  
DO VOC is really  
the codefield  
&r

this is the  
"green arrow" to DOES>  
in class notes