Jeforth 4.03 Forth in Javascript

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Summary

- Jeforth at 2011
- Jeforth 2.01 (minimal)
- Jeforth 2.02 (eForth)
- Jeforth 3.01 (objects)
- Jeforth 4.01 (minimal)
- Jeforth 4.02 (full eForth)
- Jeforth 4.03 (audio, haiku)

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- I asked Brad Nelson if he will modify the browser he did for esp32eforth to run a Forth on PC.
- Then I remembered that Sam Chen and Cheahshen Yap did a one page Forth system in Javascript, in 2011.

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- Sam presented it to SVFIG in 2012 but did not generate much enthusiasm.
- I dug it up and found it is what I can use.
- Good way to learn Javascript.

Jeforth 2.01

Only 9 Forth words:

Quit token exec exit : ; * . dup

Simple Demo:

- : square dup * ;
- : quad square square ;
- : octet quad quad ;
- 8 octet . 4 octet .

Jeforth 2.01

- Sam wrote some code and much comments in Chinese
- I changed the Chinese text to Engish and polished the code a little bit and call it jeforth 2.01.
- Minimal Forth in 69 lines.

Jeforth 2.02

- Full eForth implementation.
- More convenient user interface with a small graphic demo.
- 19 eforth lessons can be pasted in and compiled all at once.

Jeforth 3.01

The inner interpreter was changed to the standard Forth set of words:

 nest() and exit().

 All Forth words are self-contained objects.

- Each word has a name field, a code field, an optional parameter field, and an optional immediate flag field.
- In a colon word, the token list is in the parameter field.

Outer Interpreter

The outer interpreter process a text stream in the terminal input buffer.

In Forth it is:

: quit begin token exec again

In jeforth it is:

{name:"quit" ,xt:function() {nest();},pf:[1,2,3,0]}
{name:"token",xt:function() {token=nexttoken();}}
{name:"exec" ,xt:function() {exectoken(token);}}
{name:"bran" ,xt:function() {ip=words[wp].pf[ip];}}

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Jeforth Word Objects

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, {name:"token",xt:function() {token=nexttoken();}}
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, {name:"exit" ,xt:function() {exit();}}
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, {name:":" ,xt:function() {newname=nexttoken();compiling=t
rue;

words.push({name:newname,xt:function() {nest();},pf:[]});}

, {name:";" ,xt:function() {compiling=false;compilecode("ex it");},immediate:true}

, {name: "*" ,xt:function() {stack.push(stack.pop()*stack.po p());}}

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, {name:"." ,xt:function() {ticktype(stack.pop()+" ");}}
, {name:"dup" ,xt:function() {stack.push(stack[stack.length-
1]);}}
]
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Inner Interpreter

function execute(n) {w=n;words[n].xt();} function exit() {ip=-1;} function nest() { rstack.push(wp);rstack.push(ip);wp=w;ip=0; while (ip>=0) {w=words[wp].pf[ip++];words[w].xt();} ip=rstack.pop();wp=rstack.pop();} function dovar() {stack.push(w);} function docon() {stack.push(words[w].pf[0]);}

- A complete, operational eForth with 122 words.
- 19 lessons in the Lessons403.txt file can be compile all at once.
- Audio interface allows playing songs implemented in esp32eforth.



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- The canvas in jeforth 202/203 is brought back.
- You can paint the canvas with Brad Nelson's Haiku syntax.
- Audio interface now plays Bach's polyphonic music.



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Demo

- Load 19 lessons in the Lessons403.txt and see some of the results.
- Play some robotic songs.
- Paint a few Haiku pictures.

Conclusion

- I complained loudly that C does not have structures to support Forth.
- Javascript objects are Forth friendly and simplifies Forth implementations.
- Forth can take advantage of its native FP numbers.

Conclusion

- We now have a good brower interface, smooth file loading, graphic and audio playing primitives.
- Is it good enough to market Forth to the netizens?



Questions?



Thank you.