

## CHAPTER 5. TEXT INTERPRETER

### 5.1. CHARACTER INPUT

GETCHAR (-- char )

Obtain the next character from either the keyboard, or the current input buffer, whichever is active. IF IN is 0, use input from the keyboard; otherwise, IN points to text in the text buffer. For input from the keyboard, bit 8 indicates an ALT or other special function key. Keyboard characters are normally echoed to the screen. This is the only way by which the text interpreter obtains the source characters. LaForth thus treats source code in files identically to that from the keyboard.

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HEADER    RAHCTEG,G
GTCHR:    CALL    NUCHAR
          AND     AX,01FFh
          PUSH   AX
          NEXT
    
```

Gets a character from either the keyboard or memory. Echos LF after a CR, but ignores the first LF after CR from input.

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NUCHAR:
    MOV     BX,INPTR           ; Use keyboard input if INPTR is zero.
    OR     BX,BX
    JNE    BUFGET           ; Get from buffer
NUCH1:    CALL    EGET       ; Get from keyboard or equivalent
          XOR     BX,BX
          OR     AH,AH
          JNS    CRMOD
          CMP    AL,CRCH     ; Check for Carriage Return
          JNE    NUCH2
          MOV    AL,LFCH     ; Now send a Line-Feed
          CALL   QCOUT
          MOV    AL,CRCH     ; Restore the CR
          XOR    AH,AH
          MOV    BH,0FFh     ; Set a flag
          JMP    CRMOD
NUCH2:    OR     AH,AH
          JZ     CRMOD       ; If not a special character, return
          CMP    AL,LFCH     ; Check for Line-Feed
          JNE    NUCH4
          MOV    AH,CRSEEN   ; Check the CR flag
          OR     AH,AH
          JZ     NUCH3
          XOR    AH,AH       ; Clear flag
          MOV    CRSEEN,AH
          JMP    NUCH1       ; and ignore the Line-Feed
NUCH3:    CALL   QCOUT       ; Echo other Line-Feeds
          JMP    CRCLR
NUCH4:    CMP    AL,ESCCH    ; Escape Code
          JNE    CRCLR
          CALL   EGET       ; ESC key seen. Get next character,
          XOR    BH,BH       ; clear BH
CRCLR:    MOV    CRSEEN,BH   ; and CRSEEN flag.
          RET
          
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BUFGET:   MOV    AL,ES:[BX]  ; Get a character from the buffer.
          INC    BX
    
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        CMP     AL,CRCH           ; Check for Carriage Return
        JNE     BUFG1
        MOV     AH,0FFh
        MOV     CRTXT,AH         ; Set Carriage Return Flag
        JMP     GOOD
BUFG1:  CMP     AL,LFCH           ; Check for Line-Feed
        JNE     BUFG2
        MOV     AH,CRTXT         ; LF seen. Was it preceded by a CR ?
        OR     AH,AH
        JZ     GOOD
        XOR     AH,AH             ; Yes. Ignore LF after CR,
        MOV     CRTXT,AH         ; clear the flag,
        JMP     BUFG2           ; and get the next character.
BUFG2:  XOR     AH,AH
        CMP     AL,1Ah           ; Check if Ctl-Z (End-of-File)
        JE     BUFG4
        CMP     AL,TABCH
        JNE     BUFG3
        MOV     AL,20h           ; Change Tab to space
BUFG3:  OR     AL,AL
        JNE     GOOD
BUFG4:  MOV     AL,CRCH           ; Print a Carriage Return (&LF)
        CALL    COUT
        MOV     AL,LFCH
        CALL    COUT
        XOR     BX,BX             ; Clear INPTR
        MOV     AX,BX             ; Restore the Null
GOOD:   MOV     INPTR,BX
        XOR     AH,AH
        RET     Handle special character problems & test for delimiters.
QCR:   CMP     AL,DELIM
        JE     SETRET
        CMP     AL,CRCH           ; ? Carriage Return
        JE     SETRET
        CMP     AL,1Ch           ; Ctl-Z End-of-file character
        JE     SETRET
        CMP     AL,0             ; Null at end of Text-buffer
        JE     SETRET
        CLC                       ; Non-delimiter case
        RET
SETRET: STC
        RET

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## 5.2. STRING WORDS

LaForth reserves an extra 64K byte segment above the code-data-stack segment to process text obtained from files. Many string words assume that the text is in this extra segment pointed to by ES segment pointer. However, compatibility with earlier versions requires that a segment address be given to these words, but it is discarded or replaced by the contents of ES segment pointer.

**DSADDR** (-- ds)

Push the Data Segment DS on the stack. CS and SS have the same value. This is the only word by which you can infer where the code-data segment is located in the physical memory map. The extra text segment is 1000H above the segment pointer returned by DSADDR.

HEADER RDDASD,D

DSADDR: PUSH DS  
 NEXT

TEXT! (addr1 n -- addr2)

Top=delimiter byte, 2nd=address. Store n characters from the input stream in ascending addresses, top=delimiter, 2nd=address. Terminates when delimiter is reached. A null is stored in place of the delimiter, and its address is put on the stack.

```

TEXT:    HEADER    !!TXET,T
        POP      CX                ; Get delimiter
        POP      BP                ; Get address
        MOV     XHOLD,BP
        DEC     BP
TEXT1:   INC      BP
        MOV     N,BP
TEXT2:   CALL    NUCHAR
        MOV     BP,N
        OR     AH,AH
        JNZ    TEXT3
        CMP    AL,DELCH
        JE     TEXT5
TEXT3:   MOV     DS:[BP],AL
        CMP    CL,AL
        JNE    TEXT1
        CMP    AL,21h
        JB     TEXT4
        CALL   NUCHAR
        MOV     BP,N
        CMP    AL,DELCH
        JE     TEXT5
        CMP    AL,21h
        JB     TEXT4
        CMP    CL,AL
        JE     TEXT1
        INC    BP
        MOV    DS:[BP],AL
        JMP    TEXT1
TEXT4:   XOR     AL,AL
        MOV    DS:[BP],AL        ; Replace delimiter with null
        PUSH   BP
        NEXT
TEXT5:   CMP    BP,XHOLD
        JE     TEXT2
        DEC    BP
        MOV    N,BP
        MOV    DH,DS:[BP]
        CMP    DH,20h
        JB     TDEL6
        CALL   DELCHR
        JMP    TEXT2
TDEL6:   CALL    COUT                ; Delete a control character by
        MOV    AL,"\"              ; emitting the character then
        CALL   COUT                ; sending a \ character.
        JMP    TEXT2

```

(TEXT (delim --)

Obtain characters from the input stream and store them in the buffer area.

HEADER TXET(H

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STEXT:  POP      CX
STEXT1: CALL     NUCHAR
        CMP     AL,DELCH
        JNE     STEXT2
        MOV     BX,TPTR
        CMP     BX,BOTB
        JE      STBEEP
        DEC     BX
        MOV     TPTR,BX
        MOV     AL,ES:[BX]
        CMP     AL,20h
        JAE     STEXTE
        CALL    DELCHR
        JMP     STEXT1
STEXTE: CALL     COUT
        MOV     AX,005Ch           ; Send \ character
        CALL    COUT
        JMP     STEXT1
STEXT2: MOV     BX,TPTR
        CMP     AL,CL           ; Check if delimiter
        JE      STXTX
        MOV     ES:[BX],AL
        INC     BX
        MOV     TPTR,BX
        JMP     STEXT1
STXTX:  XOR     AL,AL           ; Delimiter found. Replace it with Null.
        MOV     ES:[BX],AL
        NEXT
STBEEP: MOV     AL,07
        CALL    COUT
        JMP     STEXT1

```

.NAME (cfa --)

Print out the name of the word whose address is on top. Character in the name are stored backward, from high address to low.

```

        HEADER   EMAN.,N
PNAME:  POP      BX
        SUB      BX,3
PNAME1: MOV     AL,[BX]
        AND     AX,007Fh
        JZ      PNAME2
        CALL    COUT
        DEC     BX
        JMP     PNAME1
PNAME2: NEXT
DELCHR: MOV     BX,OFFSET ERASE
        JMP     TYPEM
ERASE   DB      8,20h,8,0

```

.TEXT (seg addr --)

Print text from buffer memory. Stop on a NULL. Top=start address, 2nd=segment.

```

        HEADER   TXET.,N
PTEXT:  POP      BX
        POP     AX           ; Throw away segment!
PTEXT1: MOV     AL,ES:[BX]
PTEXT2: OR      AL,AL
        JZ      PTEXT4

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CALL    COUT
CMP     AL,0Dh           ; Is character CR ?
JNE     PTEXT3
MOV     AL,0Ah           ; Yes. Send a LF also.
CALL    COUT
INC     BX
MOV     AL,ES:[BX]      ; Get next character
CMP     AL,0Ah           ; Is it LF ?
JNE     PTEXT2
PTEXT3: INC     BX
CALL    XKEYQ           ; Check for any key.
JZ      PTEXT1
PTEXT4: NEXT

```

**-\$<** (addr1 addr2 -- f)

**Backwards String LESS.** Compare two strings. Two strings are compared for the purpose of ordering them. Note that no count is specified! At the first mis-match, the comparison stops. The flag is true (-1) if the byte at the first string is less than that at the second string. Note that addr1 must not be the same as addr2. Further note that the strings run backwards in memory.

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HEADER  !<$-,M
MSLESS: STD
        JMP     SLESS1

```

**\$<** (addr1 addr2 -- f)

**String LESS.** Compares two strings. Two strings are compared for the purpose of ordering them. Note that no count is specified! At the first mis-match, the comparison stops. The flag is true (-1) if the byte at the first string is less than that at the second string. Note that addr1 must not be the same as addr2.

```

HEADER  !<$,D           ; WATCH MACRO CALL ***
SLESS:  CLD
SLESS1: POP     AX
        POP     BX
        PUSH    SI
        PUSH    DI
        MOV     CX,-1
        MOV     SI,BX
        MOV     DI,AX
        CMPSB
        REPE   CMPSB
        SBB    AX,AX
        CLD
        POP     DI
        POP     SI
        PUSH    AX
        NEXT

```

### 5.3. THE WORD PARSER

**-WORD** (char -- addr)

Gets Null and a reverse character string to dictionary. Leaves address of highest byte plus 1 on top of stack. There is a null at each end of the word. Top item is the delimiting character. Put a Null in the dictionary. Fetch characters from the input stream, skipping initial occurrences of the delimiter character. The non-delimiter characters are stored in the dictionary in reverse order until a delimiter or a carriage return character is encountered. Add a Null after the string in the dictionary, and return the address of that null on the stack. The dictionary pointer is not updated.

```

HEADER  DROW-,M

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MWORD:  POP      BX                ; Get delimiter
         MOV      DELIM,BL         ; Save it
         CALL     GETW
         PUSH     BX
         NEXT

GETW:    XOR      AX,AX            ; Put initial null on the stack
GETW1:   PUSH     AX
GETW2:   CALL     NUCHAR
         CALL     QCR
         JC       GETW2            ; Ignore if a delimiter
TRUB:    CMP      AL,DELCH         ; Test rub-out
         JNE     SC                ; No: It's a stack character
         POP      AX
         CMP     AX,0
         JE      GETW1            ; Put null back if at end
         CALL     DELCHR
         JMP     SC1              ; Proceed with next character
SC:      PUSH     AX
SC1:     CALL     NUCHAR
         CALL     QCR
         JNC     TRUB             ; Character string on stack
         MOV     BX,DICT          ; Get dictionary pointer Logic to force Even boundaries for
words goes here.
         XOR     AL,AL
         MOV     [BX],AL          ; Force string terminator
         XOR     CX,CX
         DEC     CX                ; Character count set to -1
SC2:     INC     BX                ; Point BX to next character position.
         INC     CX                ; Increment character count
         POP     AX
         MOV     [BX],AL          ; Store backwards in dictionary
         AND     AL,AL
         JNE     SC2 STRING IS IN DICT (A)=0
         MOV     ARGCNT,CX        ; Save character count
         MOV     ARGLOC,BX        ; Save pointer to null at end of argument
         RET

```

SKIP (addr1 char -- addr2)

Skip over leading occurrences of char at the string beginning at addr1. Leave the address addr2 which points to the first character not equal to char.

```

HEADER  PIKS,S
SKIP:   POP      CX                ; We use this simple approach merely
         POP      BX                ; to save code space. Use of SCAS would
SK1:    MOV      AL,[BX]           ; be faster for large no. of leading
         CMP     AL,CL             ; delimiters.
         JNE     SK2
         INC     BX
         JMP     SK1
SK2:    PUSH     BX
         NEXT

```

SCAN (addr char -- addr count)

Scan the string beginning at addr until char or a delimiter occurs. The delimiter is at addr+count.

```

HEADER  NACS,S
SCAN:   POP      DX
         POP      BX
         PUSH     BX
         XOR     CX,CX            ; Clear the count

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SCN1:  MOV    DH,0Dh           ; CR character to DH
        MOV    AL,[BX]       ; Get character
        CMP    AL,DL         ; Compare with delimiter
        JE     SCN2
        CMP    AL,DH         ; Compare with CR
        JE     SCN2
        INC    CX
        INC    BX
        JMP    SCN1         ; Loop if not a delimiter
SCN2:  PUSH    CX             ; Reached end of string
        NEXT

```

#### 5.4. DICTIONARY SEARCH WORDS

?DEF (-- n )

Search for previously scanned word in GROWING dictionary. Searches the GROWING vocabulary for the word just obtained from the input stream. If the word is found, return the address of the word. If the word is not found, return a 0.

```

QDEF:  HEADER  FED?,1F
        MOV    BX,GROWNG
        CALL   FIND
        JMP    PTIC2

```

(' (-- n )

Returns with top=the execution address, if found If not found, top = 0 This is a primitive version of '. When executed, get the next word from the input stream and search the dictionary for a match. If found, return the execution address on the top of the stack. If not found, return a value of 0.

```

        HEADER  !'(,H           ; WATCH MACRO CALL ***
DPX    EQU     N
PTIC:  MOV     DL,BLCH           ; Space is delimiter
        MOV     DELIM,DL
        CALL   GETW
        MOV     DX,OFFSET SRCHNG ; Pointer to vocabulary
PTIC1: MOV     BP,DX
        MOV     BX,DS:[BP]
        OR     BX,BX
        JZ     SETF             ; Test for end of search order
        CMP    BX,DS:[BP+2]     ; See if we've searched this before
        JE     PTIC3
        CALL   FIND             ; Returns with condition Z=0 if found
PTIC2: JNE     PUSHB
PTIC3: SUB     DX,2
        JMP    PTIC1
PUSHB: ADD     BX,3             ; Bump BX to execution address
        MOV     AX,BX
        JMP    XPUSH
SETF:  XOR     AX,AX           ; Set false flag
XPUSH: PUSH    AX
        NEXT

```

Search the dictionary. (BX) = address of pointer to start of dictionary thread. ARGLOC contains address of word we are hunting for. Z=0 if found.

```

FIND:  PUSH    SI             ; Save various registers
        PUSH    DI
        PUSH    ES           ; We may not need to save ES

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STD
MOV      AX,DS
MOV      ES,AX
SVOC:   OR      BX,BX      ; Check if address is 0 (terminate).
        JZ      FCOM
        MOV     BL,[BX]    ; Get vocabulary number.
        MOV     DI,ARGLOC
        ADD     BL,[DI-1]  ; Add first character
        AND     BX,001Fh   ; Knock off high order bits
        SHL     BX,1       ; Multiply by 2 for word offset
        ADD     BX,OFFSET VOCABT ; Add base of Vocabulary table
        MOV     BX,[BX]
        MOV     DPX,BX     ; Fake thread to start
        MOV     BX,OFFSET DPX-1 ; Pointer to dictionary
SDIC:   MOV     CX,ARGCNT  ; Get search count
        MOV     DI,ARGLOC  ; Get search argument
        DEC     DI
        MOV     BX,[BX]+1  ; Point SI to dictionary thread
        OR      BX,BX
        JZ      FCOM      ; If thread is 0, we can't find it.
        MOV     SI,BX
        LODSB
        AND     AL,7Fh     ; Knock off immediate bit
        JE      FOUND     ; Length=0 is universal find
        SCASB           ; Compare with first argument character
        JNE     SDIC
        REPE   CMPSB     ; Compare remaining characters
        JNE     SDIC
FOUND:  OR      AX,1       ; Set Z=0
FCOM:   CLD             ; Restore direction flag
        POP     ES        ; Restore various registers
        POP     DI
        POP     SI
        RET

```

'PRE ( vndx1 cfa1 -- vndx2 cfa1 cfa2 )

Pushes address of preceding dictionary word. Initially top must be a word address. At end of a dictionary thread, addr2 has a value of 0 .

```

        DB      0
        DB      "ERP"
        CHAIN   G
TICPRE: MOV     BX,SRCHNG
        MOV     CX,[BX]   ; Get Searching Vocabulary number.
        POP     BX        ; CFA
        POP     DX        ; Vocabulary Index
        MOV     BP,BX     ; Save initial CFA
        SUB     BX,2      ; Point to link
TP1:   MOV     BX,[BX]   ; New head pointer
        OR      BX,BX    ; Set flags
        JE      EOCC     ; End of current chain
        MOV     AL,DL    ; Vocab Index
        SUB     AL,[BX]  ; Subtract first character
        AND     AL,01Fh  ; This word's Vnum
        CMP     AL,CL    ; Compare with Vocab Number
        JE      FND      ; If equal, we found it.
        INC     BX       ; Get Link
        JMP     TP1
EOCC:  INC     DX        ; End of current chain. Try next one.

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      CMP      DL,32
      JGE      NOPRE          ; Jump if no more chains.
      MOV      BX,DX          ; New Vocab Index
      SHL      BX,1
      ADD      BX,OFFSET VOCABT ; New Head Pointer
      JMP      TP1
FND:  ADD      BX,3          ; Get to code address
NOPRE: PUSH     DX
      PUSH     BP
      PUSH     BX
      NEXT

```

'LAST (-- cfa)  
Pushes the address of the last word in the GROWING vocabulary.

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      DB      0
      DB      "TSAL"
      CHAIN   G
FLAST: MOV      BX,[LASTW]
      ADD     BX,3
      PUSH   BX
      NEXT

```

' (-- cfa) [ (' 0[ BACK ] ]  
Read the next word from the input stream and pushes the address of that word onto the stack. Searches first the SEARCHING, then the ROOT vocabulary. If the string is not found, the bell rings and the cursor is backed up to the beginning of the input string. This continues until a string is found. If necessary to get out of this, use something like: DUP DROP

```

      HEADER  !,G          ; WATCH MACRO CALL ***
TIC:  NEST
      DW      PTIC
      DW      XDUP
      DW      ZBRAN
      DW      TIC1
      DW      UNNEST
TIC1: DW      DROP
      DW      BACK
      DW      BRAN
      DW      TIC+3

```

## 5.5. NUMBER CONVERSION OPERATION

(NUM (-- n 0) or (-- dbl cnt) or (-- -1 )

Address of digit string in ARGLOC. If the string contains no imbedded decimal points and can fit within a 16 bit word without overflow, the string is converted, the value pushed on the stack, and a flag of 0 is additionally pushed. If the string has a decimal point and can be converted to a double precision value, that value is pushed on the stack, and a flag having a value one greater than the number of digits to the right of the decimal point is pushed on the stack. If the conversion process fails, a value of -1 is pushed on the stack. If the string contains a '\$' character, the following characters are treated as decimal digits. If the string contains a '#' character, the following characters are treated as hexadecimal digits. Convert, normally using value in BASE, the ASCII string just input with -WORD. If the string begins with a \$ character, use 10 as a temporary base. If the string begins with a # character, use 16 (Hexadecimal) as a temporary base. A minus sign may be used to input a negative number. If the string contains a decimal point, the string is converted to a double ;number. If the string cannot be converted, a flag of -1 is returned. If a single precision number is indicated, a flag of 0 is returned. If a double number is returned, a positive number is returned containing the number of digits to the right of the decimal point, plus 1.

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      HEADER  MUN(H

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NUMB:	PUSH	SI	; Save registers for other use
	PUSH	DI	
	STD		; Setup for backward strings
	MOV	SI,ARGLOC	; Get search argument
	DEC	SI	; Point to first character
	XOR	BX,BX	; Clear Accumulator
	MOV	CX,BX	
	MOV	DPT,BH	; Clear double precision flag
	MOV	EFLAG,BH	; Clear Error flag
	MOV	DI,CBASE	; Set current base
CB:	XOR	AH,AH	
	MOV	BYTE PTR N+1,AH	; Sign switch
GDIG:	CMP	SI,DICT	; ? Done
	JE	FINI	
	LODSB		; Get character
	SUB	AL,'0'	; Reduce to possible digit
	JC	LOW	
	CMP	AL,10	
	JC	DIGIT	
	SUB	AL,7	; Possible letter form
	CMP	AL,10	; Invalid between 9 and A
	JC	BAD	
	MOV	AH,DPT	
	OR	AH,AH	
	JZ	DIGIT	; Test for Decimal point seen
	INC	DPT	; Yes, increment count.
DIGIT:	XOR	AH,AH	; ?Larger than base
	CMP	AX,DI	
	JNC	BAD	
	MOV	BP,AX	; Current digit to BP
	MOV	AX,DI	; Previous Accumulation to AX
	MUL	CX	; Accum * Base
	ADD	AX,BP	; Add in the digit
	ADC	DX,0	
	MOV	CX,AX	; Low part of new Accum
	MOV	BP,DX	; Partial product
	MOV	AX,DI	
	MUL	BX	; Hi Accum * Base
	ADD	AX,BP	; Hi product
	MOV	BX,AX	; Hi part of new Accum
	ADC	DX,0	
	JZ	GDIG	; Check for overflow
BAD:	POP	DI	; Restore DI, SI, and DF
	POP	SI	
	CLD		
BAD1:	MOV	AX,-1	; Push a "bad" flag
	PUSH	AX	
	NEXT		
LOW:	ADD	AL,2	; Is character a Decimal Point?
	JNE	TMINUS	
	INC	AL	
	MOV	DPT,AL	; Set Double Flag
	JMP	GDIG	
TMINUS:	INC	AL	
	JNE	TDOLAR	
	ROR	N+1,1	; Set Negation flag

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TDOLAR:  JMP      GDIG
          ADD      AL,9           ; $ forces Decimal temporary base
          JE       DECMAL
          INC      AL           ; # forces Hex temporary base
          JNE     BAD
          MOV     DI,16
          JMP     CB
DECMAL:  MOV     DI,10
          JMP     CB
FINI:    POP     DI
          POP     SI
          CLD
          MOV     AL,DPT
          OR      AL,AL
          JZ      SINGLE        ; ? Single Precision
          MOV     AL,BYTE PTR N+1
          OR      AL,AL
          JZ      DDONE
          OR      BX,BX
          JS      BAD1          ; It's an error if already negative
          NEG     CX
          JNC     NEGB
          XOR     BX,-1
DDONE:   PUSH    CX
          PUSH    BX
          MOV     AL,DPT
          XOR     AH,AH
          PUSH    AX
          NEXT
NEGB:    NEG     BX
          JMP     DDONE
SINGLE:   OR      BX,BX
          JNZ     BAD1          ; ? Overflow
          MOV     AL,BYTE PTR N+1
          OR      AL,AL
          JZ      SDONE
          OR      CH,CH
          JNS     SDONE
          NEG     CX
SDONE:   PUSH    CX
          XOR     AX,AX
          PUSH    AX
DONE:    NEXT

```

## 5.6. CURSOR BACKUP

(B (--)

Back up the cursor by one word. This is the principal error handling routine which moves the cursor back to the beginning of the word just entered. It is called when this word is not found in the dictionary and it cannot be converted to a number. LaForth does not prompt you with 'ok', as most Forth does. If it accepts a word, the word is processed (executed or compiled) immediately. It will only inform you that it fails to process a word by beeping and backing up the cursor.

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BACK:    HEADER  B(H
          MOV     AX,7           ; Bell code
          CALL   COUT

```

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MOV      CX,ARGCNT
INC      CX                ; Account for delimiter
MOV      BX,ARGLOC
BNL:    MOV      AX,BSCH    ; Backspace character
        CALL     COUT      ; Output backspace
NOBS:   DEC      BX        ; Point to next character
        MOV      AL,[BX]   ; Examine next character
        CMP      AL,020h
        JGE     PBK
        DEC     CX
        JZ      PBK2
        JMP     NOBS
PBK:    LOOP    BNL
PBK2:   INC      EFLAG      ; Set error
        MOV     BX,INPTR   ; Print out if error in Run Mode
        OR      BX,BX
        JE      DONE
        SUB     BX,ARGCNT
        DEC     BX        ; Don't forget delimiter
        XOR     AX,AX
        MOV     INPTR,AX   ; Clear Run Mode
        MOV     CSTATE,AX  ; Clear Compile state
        JMP     PTEXT1

```

## 5.7. TEXT INTERPRETER

INTERPRET (--)

Process one input word, compile if STATE is true. Input a string from the input stream and interpret it. If STATE is 0, execute it; otherwise, compile it. If it is not a word in the dictionary, convert it to a number. If STATE is 0, leave the number on the stack; otherwise, compile the number as a literal into the dictionary.

```

HEADER  TERPRETN,I
INTERP: NEST
INT1:   DW      PTIC                ; Find next word in input stream.
        DW      STATE,AT,ZBRAN,XEQNUM ; If state = 0, Execute or push.
        DW      XDUP,ZBRAN,CMLIT    ; If word not found, compile lit.
        DW      XDUP,THREE,SUB,CAT
        DW      CLIT
        DB      80h
        DW      LESS
        DW      ZBRAN,XEQIT         ; Immediate -- So execute it.
        DW      COMMA
        DW      UNNEST
CMLIT:  DW      DROP                ; Compile a literal.Drop 0 from FIND
        DW      NUMB                ; Literal value
        DW      XDUP
        DW      ZLESS                ; Check if valid number
        DW      ZBRAN
        DW      CMLI1
BADNUM: DW      DROP
        DW      SRCH                ; It's a bad number
        DW      CLIT
        DB      6
        DW      PLUS
        DW      AT

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	DW	EXEC	
	DW	BRAN	
	DW	INT1	
CMPL1:	DW	ZBRAN	
	DW	CSNGL	
	DW	COMP	; It's Double Precision
	DW	DLIT	
	DW	COMMA	
	DW	COMMA	
	DW	UNNEST	
CSNGL:			
	DW	XDUP	; ? LIT or CLIT
	DW	LIT	
	DW	0FF00h	
	DW	XAND	
	DW	ZBRAN	
	DW	CCLIT	
	DW	COMP	
	DW	LIT	
	DW	COMMA	
	DW	UNNEST	
CCLIT:	DW	COMP	; Compile a Character Literal.
	DW	CLIT	
	DW	CCOMM	
	DW	UNNEST	
XEQNUM:			
	DW	QDUP	; State is zero. Execute or make zero.
	DW	ZBRAN	
	DW	MKNUM	
XEQIT:	DW	FROMR	; Execute it.
	DW	ORPH1	
	DW	STORE	
	DW	EXEC	
	DW	QSTACK	
	DW	ORPH1	
	DW	AT	
	DW	TOR	
	DW	UNNEST	
MKNUM:	DW	NUMB	
	DW	ZLESS	
	DW	ZEQU	
	DW	ZBRAN	
	DW	BADNUM	
	DW	UNNEST	
ORPH1:	CALL	AT	; This is an "orphan"
	DW	RHOLD	

SO (- addr)  
Pushes address of stack origin on the stack.

	HEADER	OS,S
SO:	NEST	
	DW	LIT
	DW	TOES
	DW	AT
	DW	TWOM
	DW	UNNEST

**RUN** ( seg addr -- )

Transfers top to IN. Used to execute from a text buffer. Contents of the text buffer are read from low address to high and control returns to the keyboard when a NULL character is encountered. If addr is 0, take input from the keyboard. Otherwise, addr is the address offset pointing to the text stream to be interpreted in the text buffer.

```
HEADER NUR,R
RUN:    NEST
        DW      LIT
        DW      INPTR
        DW      STORE
        DW      DROP
        DW      UNNEST
```

**?STACK** ( -- )

Test for stack underflow, and issue "EMPTY STACK" and call QUIT. ;Also tests for stack full and reports if less than 256 bytes ;remain. You can make more stack space by forgetting from the ;dictionary or dropping words from the stack. You have 256 bytes ;to use before the stack overruns the dictionary. Equivalent Forth code is:

```
SO SP@ 1+ U< ?[ ." Empty Stack" QUIT ]? MEM #FF U< ?[ ." MEM=" MEM .B DROP ]?
```

```
HEADER KCATS?,1F
QSTACK: NEST
        DW      SO
        DW      SPAT
        DW      TWOP
        DW      ULESS
        DW      ZBRAN
        DW      Q1
RMT      DW      PTYPE          ; R-stack is empty
        DB      'Empty Stack ' ; Print message,
        DB      7,0           ; Ring the Bell.
        DW      QUIT
Q1       DW      MEM          ; Test if less than 255 bytes left
        DW      CLIT
        DB      0FFh
        DW      ULESS
        DW      ZBRAN
        DW      Q2
        DW      PTYPE
        DB      'MEM='
        DB      7,0
        DW      MEM
        DW      HPB
        DW      DROP
Q2       DW      UNNEST
```

## 5.8. SYSTEM INITIATION

**QUIT** ( -- )

This is where the text interpreter starts. The system is prepared to accept and process text from the keyboard. Clears the computational and R-stacks, then pushes the address of the input area, zero for keyboard, and executes CR. Equivalent Forth code is:

```
SP! IN @ 0 0 RUN 0 STATE ! RP! RMT 2- >R CR [[ INTERPRET ]]
```

```
HEADER TIUQ,Q
```

```

QUIT:    NEST
         DW      SPSTO
         DW      LIT
         DW      INPTR
         DW      AT
         DW      ZERO
         DW      ZERO
         DW      RUN
         DW      ZERO
         DW      STATE
         DW      STORE
         DW      RCLR
         DW      LIT
         DW      RMT-2
         DW      TOR
         DW      CR
QUIT1    DW      INTERP
         DW      BRAN
         DW      QUIT1

```

**WARM** (--)

Warm start. Issues the entry message and calls QUIT . Equivalent Forth code is:

```
DECIMAL ROOT DEFS CR ." PC LaForth V4.0" QUIT
```

```

WARM:    HEADER  MRAW,W
         NEST
         DW      DEC
         DW      ROOT
         DW      DEFS
         DW      CR
         DW      PTYPE
         DB      'PC LaForth V4.0'
         DB      0
         DW      QUIT

```

**COLD** (--)

Cold start. First check to see if an input file was specified on the DOS command line. If true, open the input file and read it into the text buffer. Then pass control to WARM and bring the LaForth system up.

```

COLD:    HEADER  DLOC,C
         NEST
         DW      SPSTO
         DW      CLIT
         DB      80h                ; Check if any input file specified
         DW      CAT                ; on the Command Line.
         DW      ZBRAN              ; 80h C@ IF 81h 20h SKIP 20h SCAN OVER +
         DW      COLD1              ; 0 SWAP C! OPEN >R LT DUP NEG 110h -
         DW      DSADDR             ; R> READ TP +! 0 LT DROP TP @ XC!
         DW      CLIT              ; 0 80 C! THEN
         DB      81h                ; WARM
         DW      CLIT
         DB      20h
         DW      SKIP
         DW      CLIT
         DB      20h
         DW      SCAN
         DW      OVER
         DW      PLUS

```

	DW	ZERO
	DW	SWAP
	DW	CSTOR
	DW	OPEN
	DW	TOR
	DW	LT
	DW	XDUP
	DW	XNEG
	DW	LIT
	DW	110h
	DW	SUB
	DW	FROMR
	DW	READ
	DW	TP
	DW	PLSTOR
	DW	ZERO
	DW	LT
	DW	DROP
	DW	TP
	DW	AT
	DW	XCSTOR
	DW	ZERO
	DW	CLIT
	DB	80h
	DW	CSTOR
COLD1:	DW	WARM