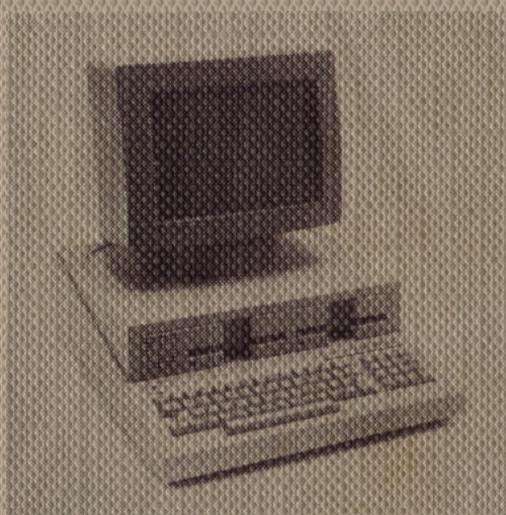


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## INTRODUCTION

This guide lists the commands (PCOS and BASIC), edit mode subcommands, BASIC statements, and built-in functions of the Olivetti L1 M20 micro-computer, and provides a general description of each. Within each category, items are presented alphabetically. The guide also includes information on the use of the Control key, a list of error messages with explanations, and the ASCII table shown with numeric equivalences for each of its characters.

The guide is intended for reference only and assumes a familiarity with PCOS, the BASIC language, and the M20. For a complete description of the system, the language, and the M20, see the publications:

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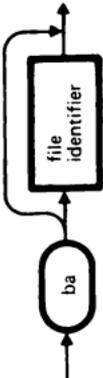
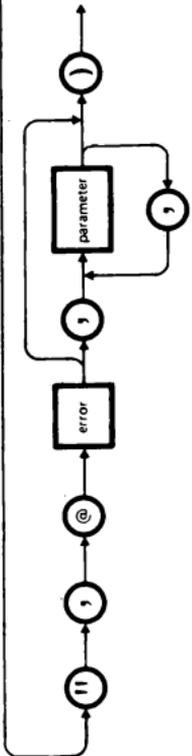
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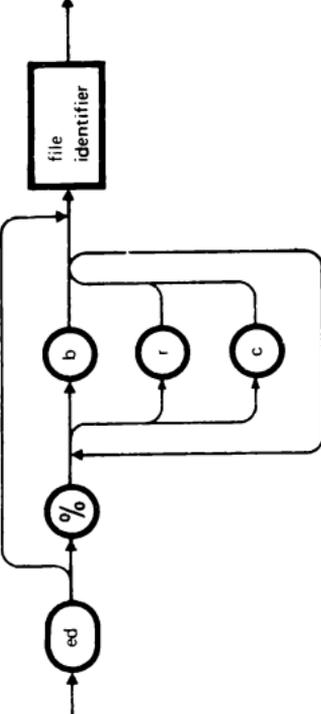
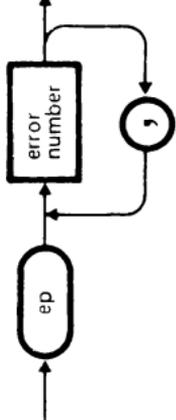
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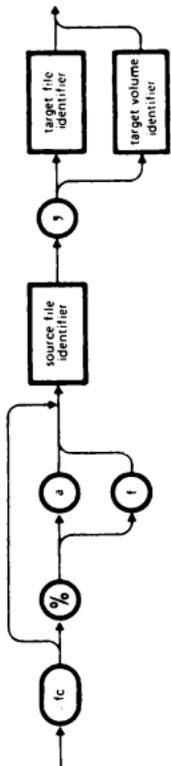
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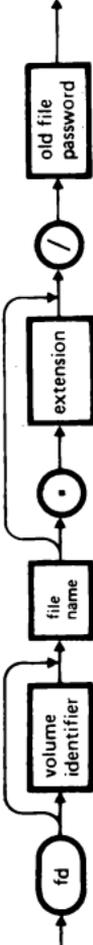
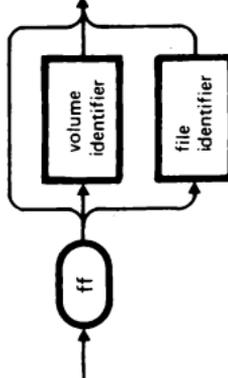
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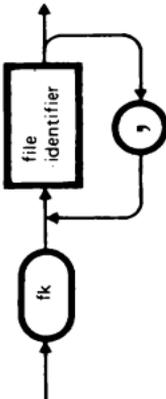
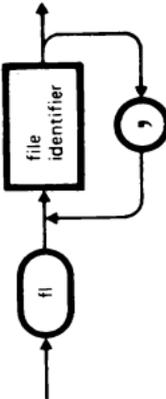
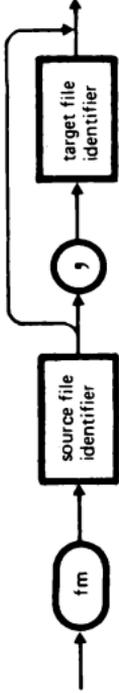
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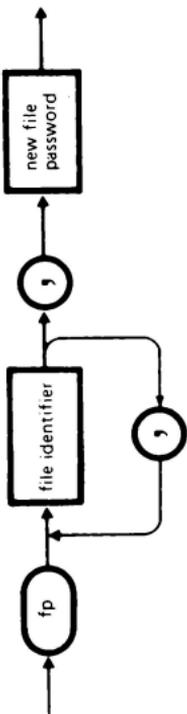
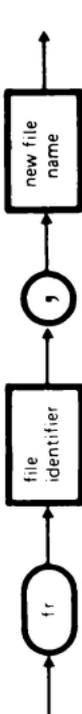
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
BASIC	Invokes the BASIC interpreter and, optionally, executes a program	 <p>Example: ba chem</p>
CI	Allows the use, via a BASIC CALL, of the RS-232-C driver	  <p>Example: 70 CALL "ci" (com:,"r",@error%,@string\$)</p>

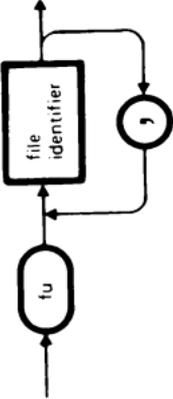
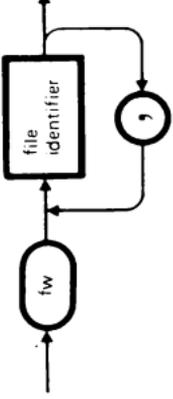
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<p><b>EDIT</b></p>	<p>Invokes the Video File Editor</p>	 <p>Note: %b = backup %r = read-only %c = BASIC</p> <p>Example: ed %c nautilus</p>  <p>Example: ep 58,60</p>
<p><b>EPRINT</b></p>	<p>Displays explanations for specified error numbers</p>	

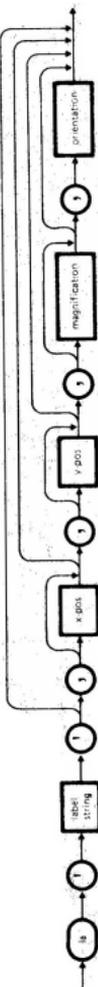
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FCOPY (Case 1)	Copies the contents of one file into another, optionally appending the first to the second	 <p>Note: The flag "%a" means append; the flag "%f" means force copy (overwrite without confirmation)</p> <p>Examples: fc 1:exp, 1:test fc 0:ter, 1:kdr</p>
FCOPY (Case 2)	Copies one or more files (specified using wild cards) from one disk onto another	 <p>Note: The process will skip any copy protected files if the flag "%u" is specified</p> <p>Example: fc 0:*.cmd, 1:</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>FDEPASS</b></p>	<p>Removes a password previously assigned to a file</p>	 <p>Example: fd max/eagle</p>
<p><b>FFREE</b></p>	<p>Frees the unused sector of a file, a group of files, or a volume</p>	 <p>Example: ff lou:</p>

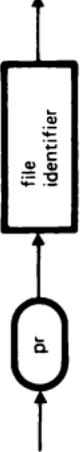
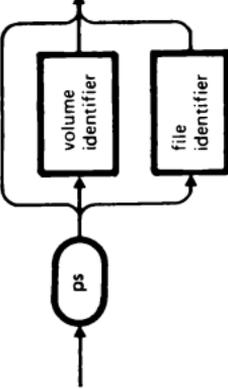
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FKILL	Deletes one or more files	 <p>Examples: fk minnie:maus fk data:*</p>
FLIST	Displays the contents of one or more files	 <p>Examples: fl chap2/ken fl 0:t*</p>
FMOVE	Copies a file from one disk to another, using only one drive	 <p>Example: fm data2,data2</p>

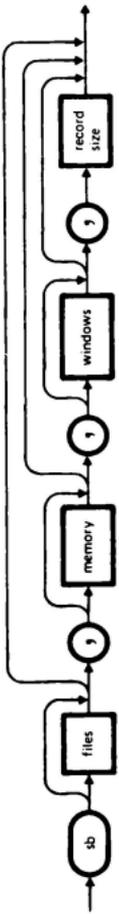
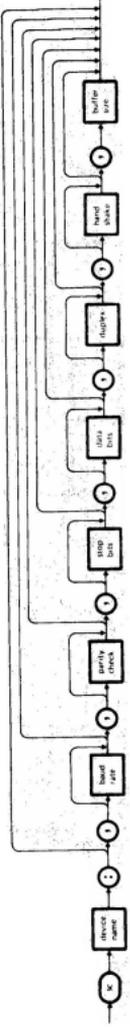
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<b>FNEW</b>	Allocates space for a file	 <p>Example: fn ver2, 6500</p>
<b>FPASS</b>	Assigns a password to one more files	 <p>Examples: fp tony/waha, alys fp 1:*,emerson</p>
<b>FRENAME</b>	Changes the name of existing file	 <p>Example: fr vers1, final</p>

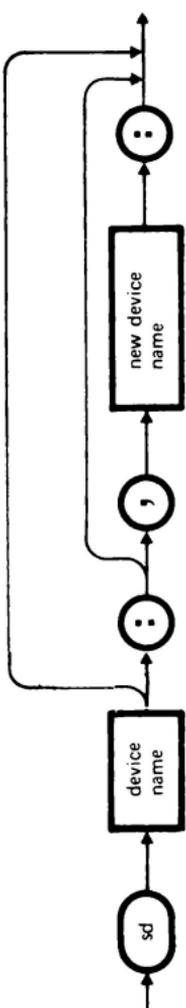
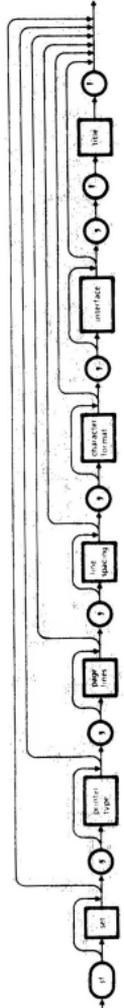
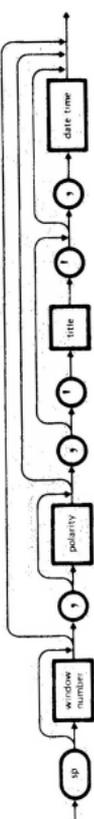
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FUNPROT	Unprotects one or more write-protected files	 <p>Examples: fu rocar fu 1:*</p>
FWPROT	Write-protects one or more files	 <p>Examples: fw perole fw 1:*</p>
HELP	Invokes HELP display for guidance	 <p>Example: he</p>

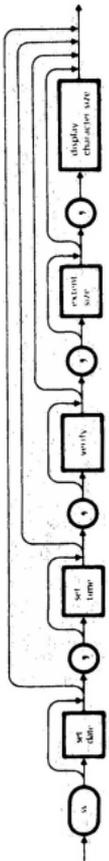
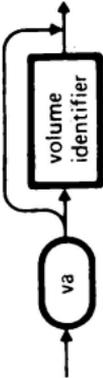
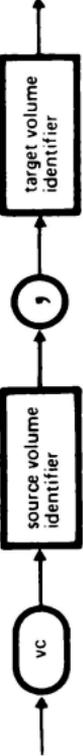
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IEEE	Loads and initializes the IEEE 488 extension package	 <p>Example: ie</p>
LABEL	Displays a string of characters at a specified location	 <p>Example: la 'year'</p>
LTERM	Returns a value (0,1,2) indicating which of the line terminator keys (↵, S1, S2) was last used	 <p>Example: 50 CALL "lt" (@1%)</p> <p>Note: LTERM can be used only in a program</p>

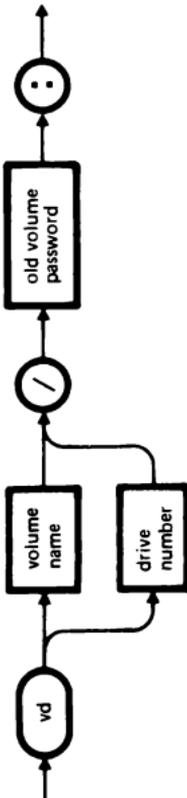
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<p><b>PKEY</b></p>	<p>Assigns a string of characters to a specified key</p>	<p>Examples: pk &amp;41, &amp;42 pk ' #, 'ba', 13, 'files', 13</p>
<p><b>PLOAD</b></p>	<p>Loads a disk-based utility into the "permanent memory area"</p>	<p>Example: pl vc</p>

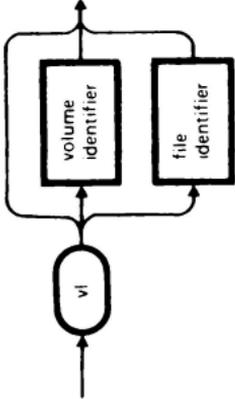
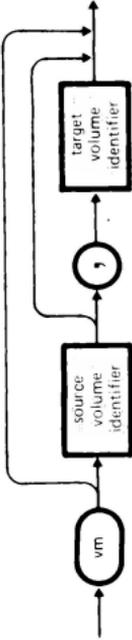
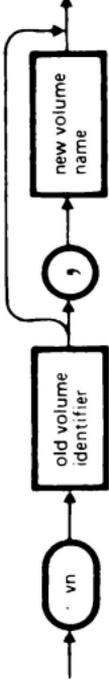
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PRUN	Calls and initializes an alternative operating system previously saved via a PSAVE command	 <p>Example: pr alt.1</p>
PSAVE	Saves the current PCOS configuration on a disk	 <p>Example: ps</p>
RKILL	Recovers, if possible, the contents of a previously deleted file	 <p>Example: rk ver3/c</p>

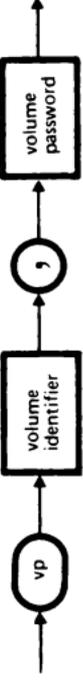
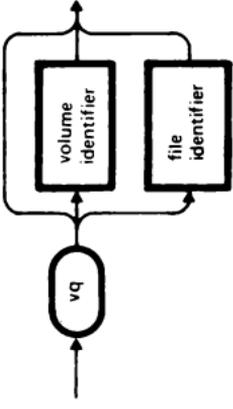
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RS232	Loads and initializes the RS-232 extension package	 <p>Example: rs</p>
SBASIC	Sets the BASIC environment for programming	 <p>Example: sb 4, 32500, 4, 128</p>
SCOMM	Sets the transmission environment of an RS-232 communications port	 <p>Example: sc com:,,6</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>SDEVICE</b></p>	<p>Displays the device table and, optionally, renames a device</p>	 <p>Example: sd cons:,keybd.video: Note: See "Device Rerouting"</p>
<p><b>SFORM</b></p>	<p>Specifies the type of printer being used and the printing format</p>	 <p>Example: sf on,,50</p>
<p><b>SPRINT</b></p>	<p>Prints the image of either the screen or a specified window</p>	 <p>Example: sp</p>

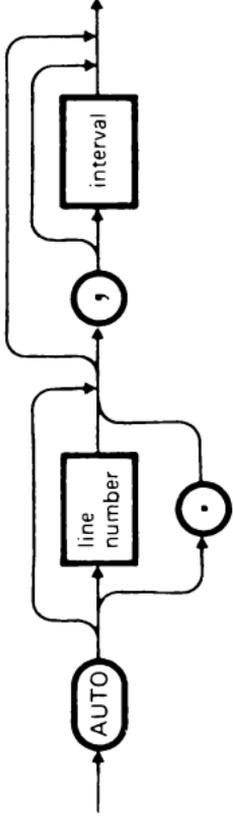
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SSYS	Sets the global system environment	 <p>Example: ss 06/06/82</p>
VALPHA	Sorts a volume directory in alphabetical order	 <p>Example: va 1:</p>
VCOPY	Copies the contents of one disk onto another	 <p>Example: vc 0:, 1:</p>

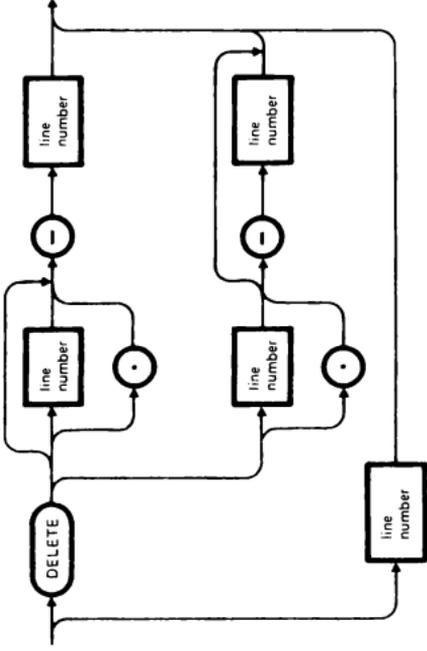
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VDEPASS	Deletes a disk password	 <p>vd (oval) → volume name (rectangle) / drive number (rectangle) → old volume password (rectangle) → colon (circle) → semicolon (circle)</p>
VFORMAT	Performs a hardware format of a disk, creates a blank file system, and allows the user to assign a volume name	<p>Example: vd ksqr/tonyken:</p>  <p>vf (oval) → old volume identifier (rectangle) → comma (circle) → new volume name (rectangle)</p> <p>Example: vf rd:, payroll/newyork:</p>

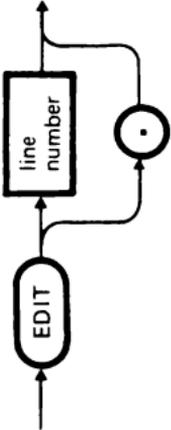
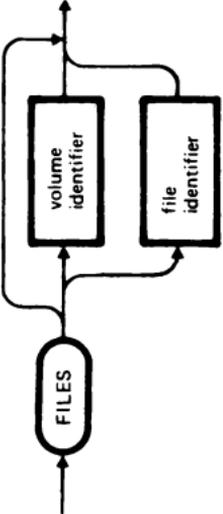
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VLIST	Lists part or all of a directory	 <p>Example: vl codes/kasparov:</p>
VMOVE	Copies a volume from disk to disk using only one drive	 <p>Example: vm mydisk:, newdisk/pass:</p>
VNEW	Creates a blank file system and allows the user to assign a volume name	 <p>Example: vn exper</p>

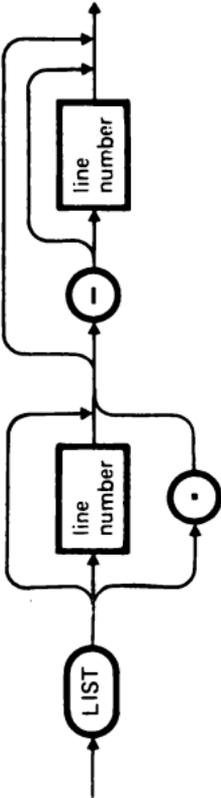
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VPASS	<p>Assigns a password to a disk or changes an existing one</p>	 <p>Examples: vp eco:,stat vp pay/wknd:,ovrt</p>
VQUICK	<p>Lists the names of files resident on a disk</p>	 <p>Example: vq 1:</p>

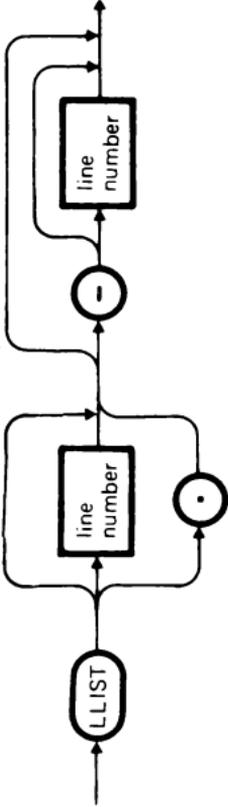
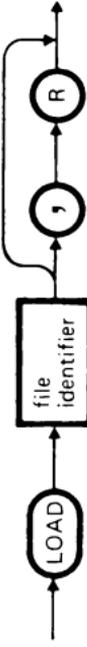
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VRENAME	Names or renames a disk	<p>Examples: vr 1:,nekynot vr piecharts:,stats</p>

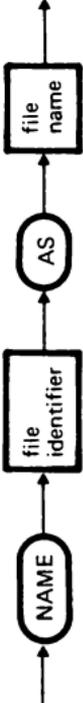
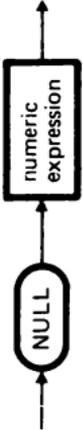
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<p><b>AUTO</b></p>	<p>Starts automatic generation of line numbers</p>	 <p>Examples: AUTO 10,5  AUTO .,20</p>
<p><b>CONT</b></p>	<p>Restarts execution of an interrupted program</p>	 <p>Example: CONT</p>

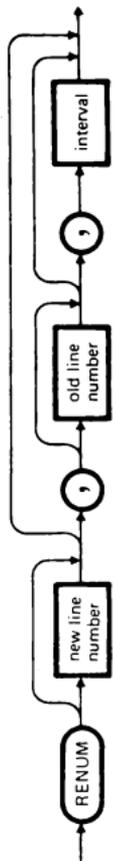
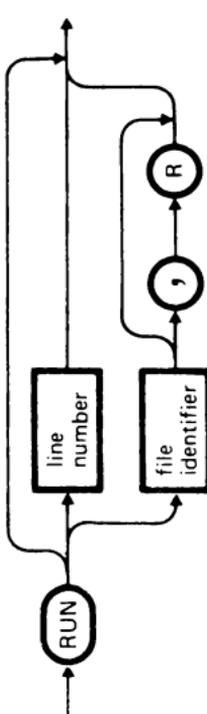
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DELETE	Deletes one or more lines of a program	 <p>Examples: DELETE -50 DELETE 190 - 300</p>

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<p><b>EDIT</b></p>	<p>Allows the editing of a line of a program within Edit mode</p>	 <p>Example: EDIT 110</p> <p>Note: See the Appendix "Edit Mode Subcommands."</p>
<p><b>FILES</b></p>	<p>Lists the names of the files in the volume directory</p>	 <p>Examples: FILES FILES "1:MY*"</p>

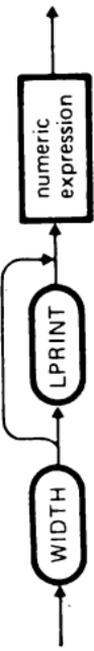
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KILL	Deletes a file from disk	 <p>Examples: KILL "0: BUSINESS" KILL "NUMBERS/PNU"</p>
LIST	Displays one or more lines of a program	 <p>Examples: LIST LIST 10 - 85</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
LLIST	Prints one or more lines of a program	 <p>Examples: LLIST LLIST 300 - 550</p>
LOAD	Loads a program from disk and, optionally, executes it	 <p>Examples: LOAD "INVEN" LOAD "SINES", R</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
MERGE	Merges a program on disk with one in memory	 <p>Example: MERGE "SUBRTN"</p>
NAME	Changes the name of a file on disk	 <p>Example: NAME "SUB2" AS "SUB"</p>
NEW	Deletes the program currently in memory and its variables	 <p>Example: NEW</p>
NULL	Sets the number of nulls printed after each line	 <p>Example: NULL 2</p>

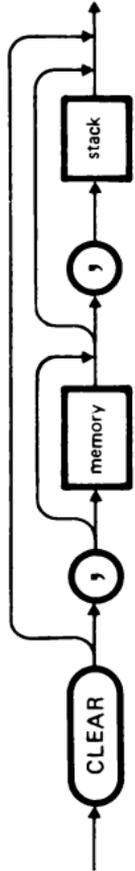
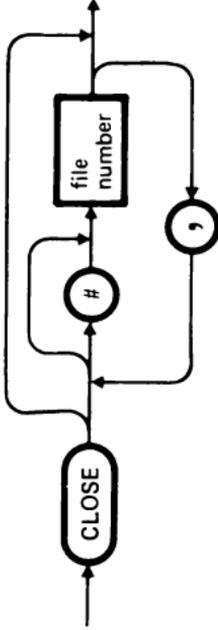
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<p><b>RENUM</b></p>	<p>Changes the line numbers of a program in memory</p>	 <p>Examples: RENUM 10, 15, 5 RENUM</p>
<p><b>RUN</b></p>	<p>Executes all or part of a program in memory or loads a program from disk and executes it, optionally leaving open its files</p>	 <p>Examples: RUN A\$ RUN "1:GRAPH", R</p>

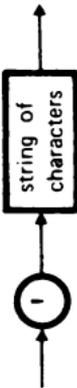
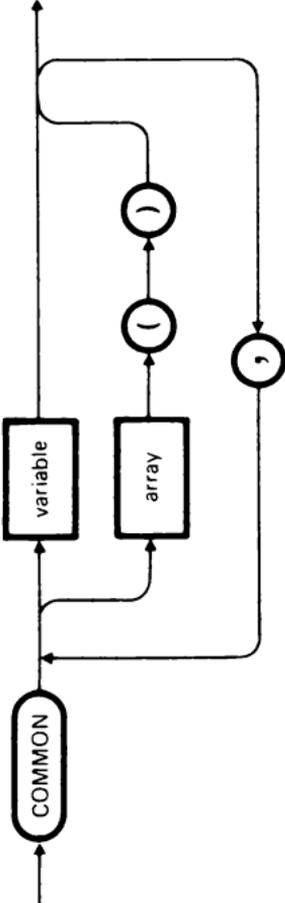
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<p><b>SAVE</b></p>	<p>Saves the program in memory, copying it onto disk</p>	<div data-bbox="256 562 414 1228" data-label="Diagram"> </div> <p>Examples: SAVE "WAHA", P SAVE "MAX", A</p> <p>Note: The specification of P protects the program against subsequent re-saving, listing, or editing. If the program is to be merged at a later time, A must be specified.</p>
<p><b>SYSTEM</b></p>	<p>Closes all files and returns to PCOS</p>	<div data-bbox="782 961 841 1228" data-label="Diagram"> <p>Example: SYSTEM</p> </div>

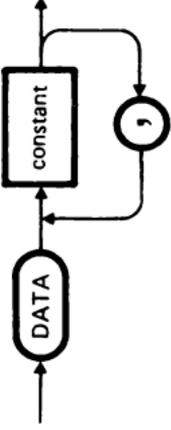
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TROFF	Stops the line number listing initiated by TRON	 <p>Example: TROFF</p>
TRON	Causes the line number of each statement executed to be listed	 <p>Example: TRON</p>
WIDTH	Establishes screen or printer width	 <p>Example: WIDTH LPRINT 100</p>

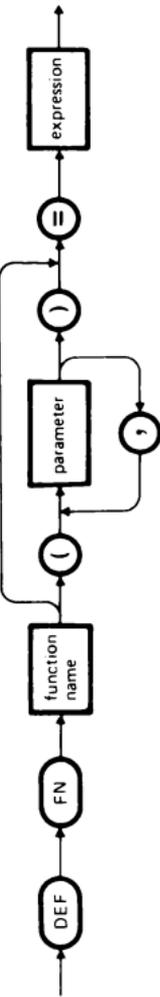
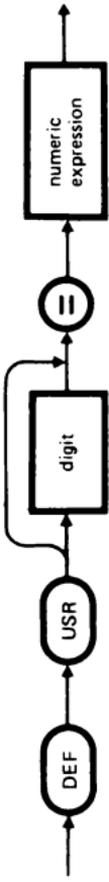


NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
CALL	Calls a PCOS command or Assembly language sub-program	<p>The diagram shows the syntax for the CALL command. It starts with the word 'CALL' in an oval, followed by an opening parenthesis '(', then a box labeled 'subprogram name', another opening parenthesis '(', a box labeled 'argument', and finally a closing parenthesis ')'. Arrows indicate the flow from left to right between these elements.</p>
CHAIN	Calls a program and passes values to it	<p>The diagram shows the syntax for the CHAIN command. It starts with the word 'CHAIN' in an oval, followed by a space and the word 'MERGE' in an oval, then a space and a box labeled 'file identifier', then a space and a box labeled 'line number expression', and finally a space and the word 'ALL' in an oval. Arrows indicate the flow from left to right between these elements.</p> <p>Examples: 50 CALL "fn" (FILE\$, SIZE%) 90 CALL "SUB12" (A,B)</p>
		<p>The diagram shows the syntax for the CHAIN command with a range. It starts with the word 'CHAIN' in an oval, followed by a space and the word 'DELETE' in an oval, then a space and a box labeled 'line number', then a space and a minus sign '-', and finally a space and another box labeled 'line number'. Arrows indicate the flow from left to right between these elements.</p> <p>Examples: 350 CHAIN "NEXT1" 400 CHAIN MERGE "OVERLAY", 1000</p>

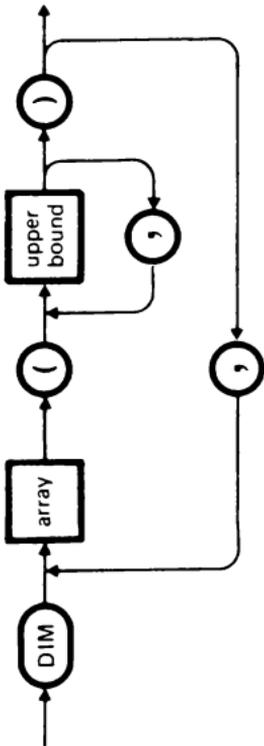
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
CLEAR	Sets the value of all numeric variables to zero, of all string variables to null, and closes all open data files	 <p>The diagram for the CLEAR statement shows an entry arrow pointing to an oval labeled 'CLEAR'. From 'CLEAR', an arrow points to a circle containing a comma ','. From this comma, three arrows branch out: one to a box labeled 'memory', one to a box labeled 'stack', and one to a final exit arrow. A feedback arrow loops from the 'stack' box back to the comma circle.</p> <p>Example: 200 CLEAR</p>
CLOSE	Closes one or more disk files	 <p>The diagram for the CLOSE statement shows an entry arrow pointing to an oval labeled 'CLOSE'. From 'CLOSE', an arrow points to a circle containing a hash '#'. From this hash, two arrows branch out: one to a box labeled 'file number' and one to a final exit arrow. A feedback arrow loops from the 'file number' box back to the hash circle. A second circle containing a comma ',' is positioned to the right of the hash circle, with an arrow pointing from the hash to it and another arrow pointing from it to the final exit arrow.</p> <p>Examples: 100 CLOSE 1, 2, 3 300 CLOSE</p>

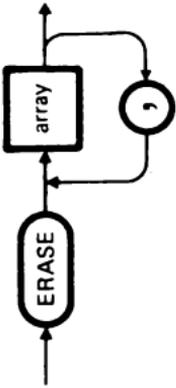
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
(COMMENT FIELD)	Allows comments to be added to a statement	 <p>Examples: 50 GOSUB 999 'GRAPHICS ROUTINE 325 GOTO 80 'VALUE NOT FOUND</p>
COMMON	Lists the program variables to be passed to a chained program	 <p>Example: 170 COMMON D, E, F(), T\$</p>

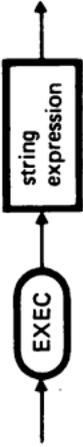
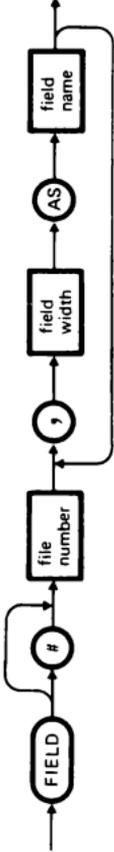
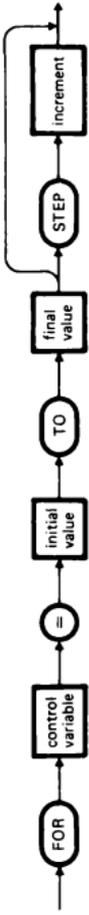
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
DATA	Creates an internal data file	 <p>Examples: 10 DATA 8, 25, 3.5, 5.55 90 DATA "NAME, FIRST", NAME, ADDRESS, 12</p>

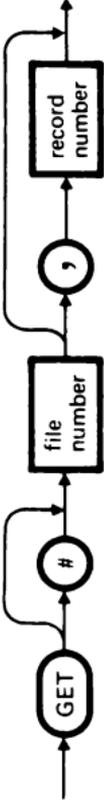
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
DEF FN	Defines a numeric or string function	 <p style="text-align: center;">10 DEF FN1(X) = (SIN(X/S)*3)/180</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Example: 200 DEF USR2 = 24000      Note: See USR</p>
DEF USR	Specifies the starting address of an Assembly language subprogram	

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
DEFDBL	Defines double precision variables	<pre> graph LR     L1[letter] --&gt; M1(( - ))     M1 --&gt; L2[letter]     L2 --&gt; M2(( , ))     M2 --&gt; L1     subgraph Functions         D1(DEFINT)         D2(DEFSNG)         D3(DEFDBL)         D4(DEFSTR)     end     D1 --&gt; L1     D2 --&gt; L1     D3 --&gt; L1     D4 --&gt; L1 </pre>
DEFINT	Defines integer variables	
DEFSNG	Defines single precision variables	
DEFSTR	Defines string variables	
<p>Examples:</p> <pre> 10 DEFDBL M-R 10 DEFDBL D-G, J, X-Z 10 DEFINT I-N 30 DEFINT A, X-Z 20 DEFSNG S-V, X 10 DEFSNG K, E, N 10 DEFSTR A-D, S-V 10 DEFSTR T, O, N, Y </pre>		

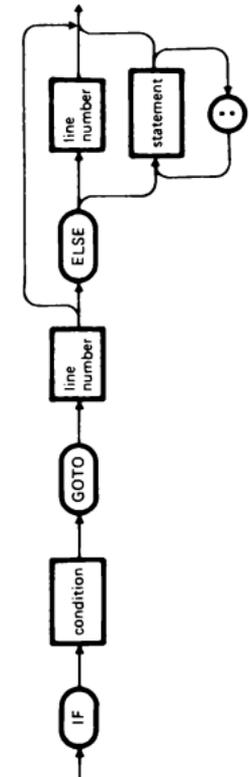
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DIM	<p>Specifies the number of dimensions and the maximum number of elements for each dimension, for one or more arrays</p>	 <p>The flowchart for the DIM command starts with the keyword 'DIM' in an oval. An arrow points to a box labeled 'array'. From the 'array' box, an arrow points to a circle containing '('. From the '(', circle, an arrow points to a box labeled 'upper bound'. From the 'upper bound' box, an arrow points to a circle containing ','. From the ',' circle, an arrow points to another circle containing ')'. Finally, an arrow points from the ')' circle to the right, indicating the end of the command format.</p> <p>Examples: 30 DIM A(15) 50 DIM A(10,10,10), B(25,35)</p>
END	<p>Terminates a program, closes all files, and returns to BASIC command level</p>	 <p>The flowchart for the END command starts with the keyword 'END' in an oval. An arrow points from the 'END' oval to the right, indicating the end of the command.</p> <p>Example: 999 END</p>

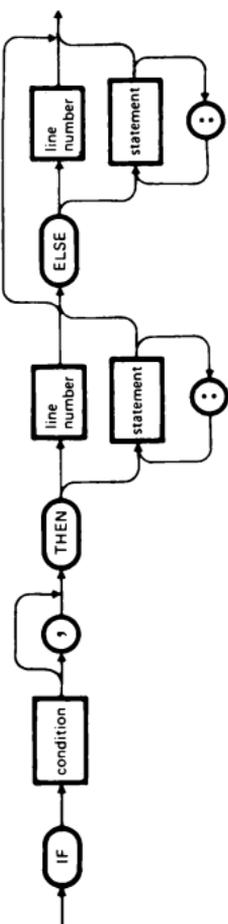
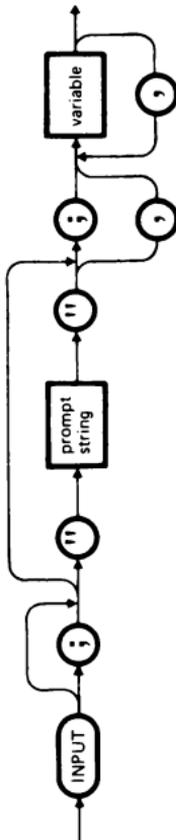
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<p><b>ERASE</b></p>	<p>Deletes arrays</p>	 <p>Examples: 90 ERASE A 300 ERASE C, D</p>
<p><b>ERROR</b></p>	<p>Simulates the occurrence of a BASIC error or generates a user-defined error</p>	 <p>Example: 60 ERROR S</p>

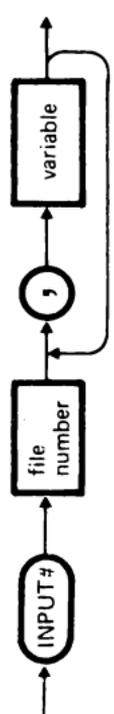
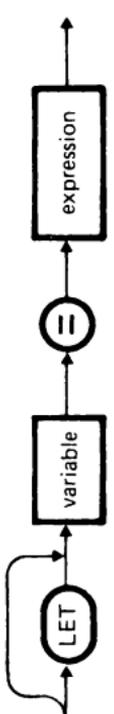
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
EXEC	Calls a PCOS command or an Assembly language subprogram	 <p>Examples: 100 EXEC "pk '#', 'RUN V1:CAS'" 240 EXEC A\$</p>
FIELD#	Allocates space for variables in a random file buffer	 <p>Example: 70 FIELD#1, 25 AS TK\$, 10 AS P\$</p>
FOR	Starts the execution of FOR/NEXT loop	 <p>Examples: 60 FOR A% = 1 TO 10 90 FOR J% = I%*N% TO P%*R% STEP K%</p>

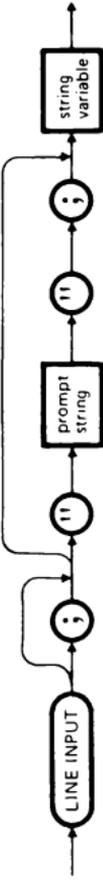
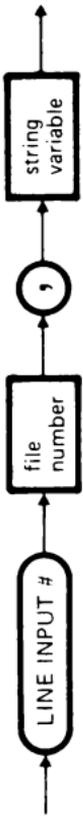
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
GET #	Reads a record from a random file into a random file buffer	 <p>Examples: 40 GET#1,3 80 GET#1</p>
GOSUB	Transfers control to a subroutine	 <p>Example: 65 GOSUB 999</p> <p>Note: see RETURN</p>
GOTO	Transfers control to a specified program line	 <p>Example: GOTO 75</p>

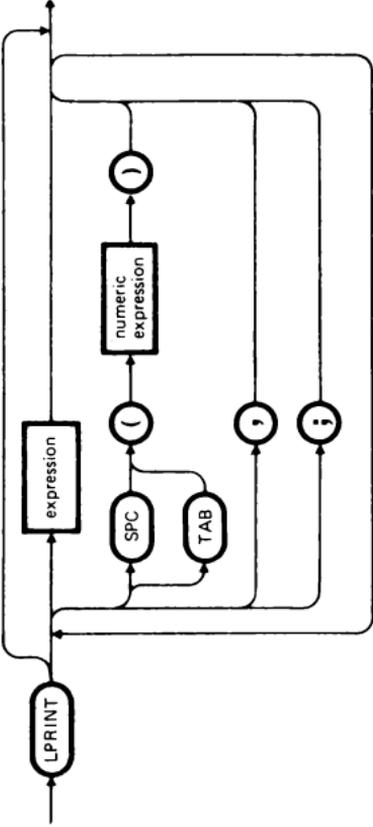
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
IF...ERL...THEN	Transfers control to a specified statement after determination of the line number in which an error was detected	<p>Example: 80 IF EKL = 78 THEN PRINT "L=Ø"</p>
IF...ERR...THEN	Transfers control to a specified statement based on a specified error code	<p>Example: 80 IF ERR = 200 THEN PRINT "W=Ø"</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
IF...GOTO...ELSE	Transfers control, conditionally, to a specified program line	 <p>The flowchart illustrates the execution of an IF...GOTO...ELSE statement. It begins with an oval labeled 'IF'. An arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'condition'. From the 'condition' box, an arrow points to an oval labeled 'GOTO'. From the 'GOTO' oval, an arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'line number'. From this 'line number' box, an arrow points to another oval labeled 'ELSE'. From the 'ELSE' oval, an arrow points to a second rectangular box labeled 'line number'. From this second 'line number' box, an arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'statement'. From the 'statement' box, an arrow points to a circle containing a colon ':'. From the colon, an arrow loops back to the 'statement' box, indicating a loop. Additionally, an arrow from the 'statement' box loops back to the 'GOTO' oval, indicating a jump to the start of the conditional block.</p> <p>Examples: 80 IF (A=B) GOTO 90 ELSE 40 60 IF (C%=F%) OR (A&gt;B) GOTO 150</p>

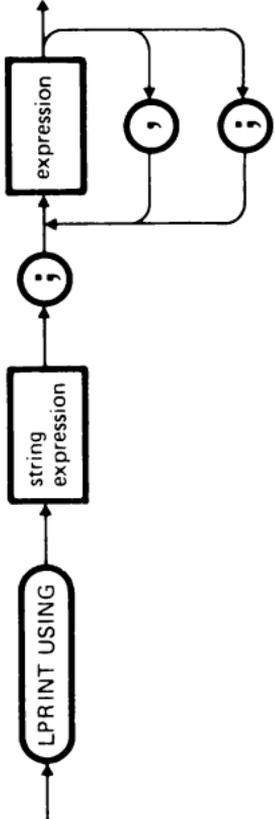
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
IF...THEN...ELSE	Transfers control, conditionally, to a specified statement	 <p>The flowchart for an IF...THEN...ELSE statement starts with an oval labeled 'IF'. An arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'condition'. From the 'condition' box, an arrow points to an oval labeled 'THEN'. From the 'THEN' oval, an arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'line number'. From the 'line number' box, an arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'statement'. From the 'statement' box, an arrow points to an oval containing a semicolon ';'. From this semicolon oval, an arrow loops back to the 'IF' oval. Another arrow from the 'THEN' oval points to the right, bypassing the 'THEN' oval and the 'line number' box, and then loops back to the 'IF' oval. From the 'ELSE' oval, an arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'line number'. From the 'line number' box, an arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'statement'. From the 'statement' box, an arrow points to an oval containing a semicolon ';'. From this semicolon oval, an arrow loops back to the 'IF' oval. Another arrow from the 'ELSE' oval points to the right, bypassing the 'ELSE' oval and the 'line number' box, and then loops back to the 'IF' oval.</p> <p>Examples: 160 IF (X&gt;Y) THEN PRINT X; "OUT OF RANGE"  ~555 IF K &gt; 88 THEN END ELSE GOTO 320</p>
INPUT	Assigns values to variables from data entered from the keyboard	 <p>The flowchart for an INPUT statement starts with an oval labeled 'INPUT'. An arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'prompt string'. From the 'prompt string' box, an arrow points to an oval containing double quotes '"'. From the double quote oval, an arrow points to a rectangular box labeled 'variable'. From the 'variable' box, an arrow points to an oval containing a semicolon ';'. From this semicolon oval, an arrow loops back to the 'INPUT' oval. Another arrow from the 'variable' box points to the right, bypassing the semicolon oval, and then loops back to the 'INPUT' oval.</p> <p>Examples: 50 INPUT "ENTER SUM"; A  80 INPUT "ENTER NAME THEN DISTRICT"; A\$, B\$</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>INPUT #</b></p>	<p>Assigns values to variables from a sequential file</p>	 <p>Examples: 60 INPUT# 1, A, B 85 INPUT# 3, S\$, T\$</p>
<p><b>LET</b></p>	<p>Assigns a value to a variable</p>	 <p>Examples: 30 A\$ = "AMOUNT" 50 C = (D+E) * 10</p>

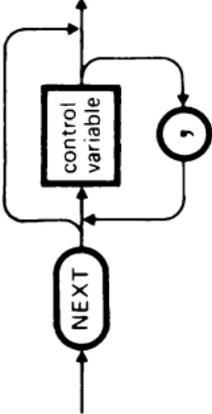
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<p><b>LINE INPUT</b></p>	<p>Assigns a value to a string variable from the keyboard, without the use of delimiters</p>	 <p>Examples: 10 LINE INPUT "CUSTOMER?"; C\$ 80 LINE INPUT "PREVIOUS ADDRESSES?"; A\$</p>
<p><b>LINE INPUT#</b></p>	<p>Reads a line from a sequential file and assigns it to a string variable</p>	 <p>Example: 70 LINE INPUT# 1, A\$</p>

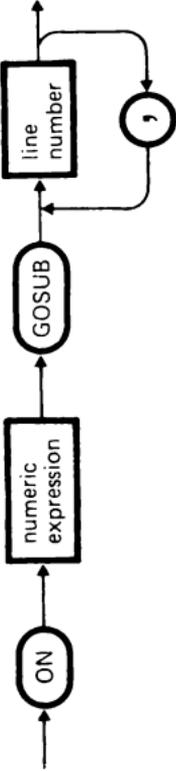
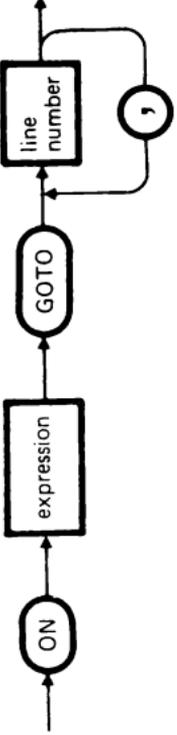
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
LPRINT	Prints a list of data in standard format	 <p>The diagram illustrates the format for the LPRINT statement. It starts with the keyword 'LPRINT' in an oval. This is followed by an 'expression' in a rectangle. Then, an opening parenthesis '(' is shown in an oval. Below the opening parenthesis are two ovals labeled 'SPC' and 'TAB', with arrows pointing to the space between the opening parenthesis and the next element. This is followed by a 'numeric expression' in a rectangle, which is enclosed in an oval closing parenthesis ')'. After the closing parenthesis, there are two ovals: a comma ',' and a semicolon ';'. Arrows from the opening parenthesis, the closing parenthesis, the comma, and the semicolon all point to a single vertical line that loops back to the beginning of the format sequence, indicating that these characters are optional and can be omitted.</p>

Examples: 65 LPRINT A\$, B, SPC(3); C\$; X+5  
80 LPRINT,, A\$; 376; "TONY"; "KEN"

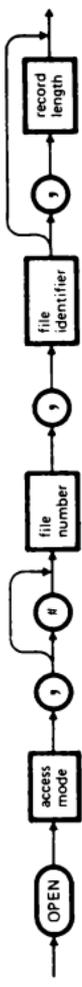
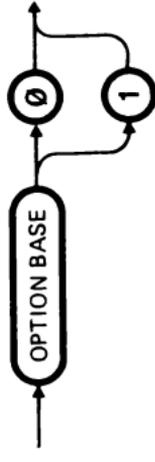
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
LPRINT USING	Prints a list of data in user-defined format	 <p>Examples: 70 LPRINT USING "###.## " ; 10.2 ; 66.78  90 LPRINT USING "\$\$##.## " ; A ; B ; C</p>

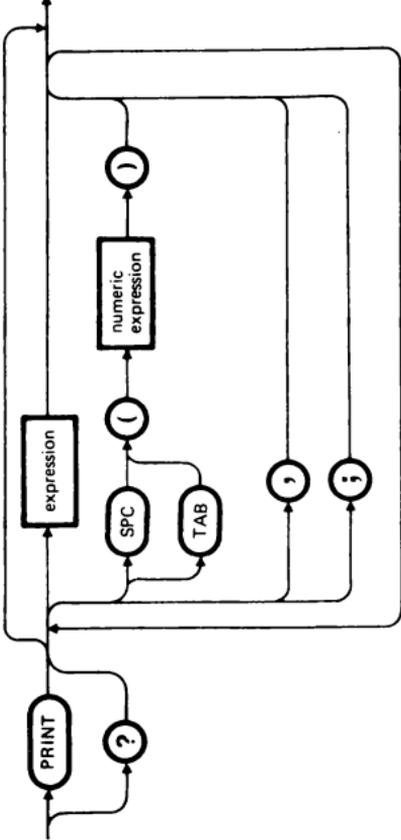
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LSET	<p>Transfers data from memory into a random file buffer, left justifying if necessary</p>	<p>The diagram illustrates the syntax for the LSET statement. It starts with either 'LSET' or 'RSET' in an oval, followed by an equals sign in a circle. This is followed by a choice between 'field name' and 'string variable' in rectangles. A space then leads to a choice between 'MKI\$', 'MKS\$', and 'MKD\$' in rectangles. Another space follows, leading to a choice between a 'string expression' in a rectangle (enclosed in double quotes) and a 'numeric expression' in a rectangle (enclosed in parentheses).</p> <p>Examples: 180 LSET A\$ = MKS\$ (AMT)  160 LSET A\$ = D\$      Note: see RSET</p>

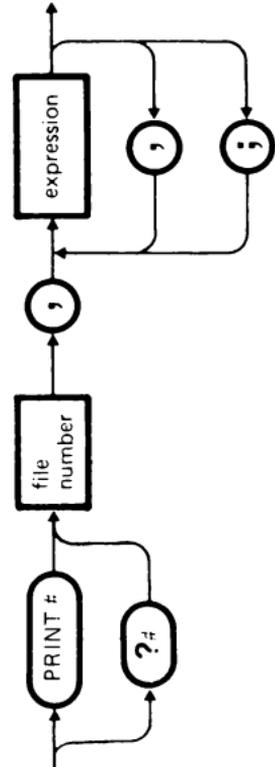
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NEXT	Defines the end of one or more FOR/NEXT loops	 <p>Examples: 80 NEXT 350 NEXT I, J</p>
ON ERROR GOTO	Activates error trapping and specifies the first line of the error handling routine	 <p>Example: 120 ON ERROR GOTO 400</p>

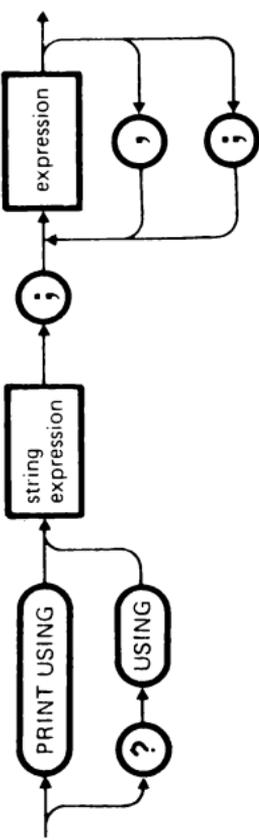
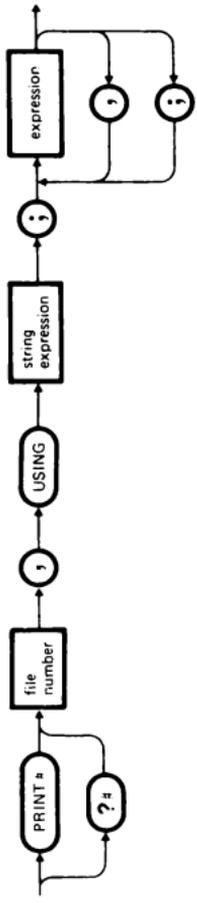
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ON...GOSUB	Transfers control to a designated subroutine based on the value of a specified expression	 <p>Examples: 80 ON A+B GOSUB 999, 1099, 1199 45 ON X GOSUB 200, 300, 400, 500</p>
ON...GOTO	Transfers control to a designated program line based on the value of a specified expression	 <p>Examples: 50 ON C GOTO 100, 200, 300 70 ON A/B GOTO 30, 75, 450</p>

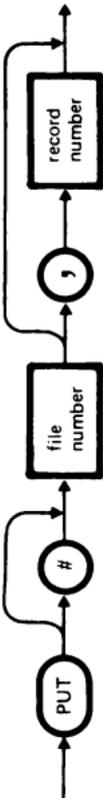
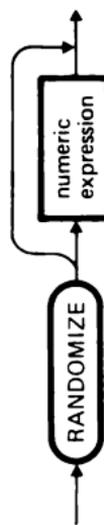
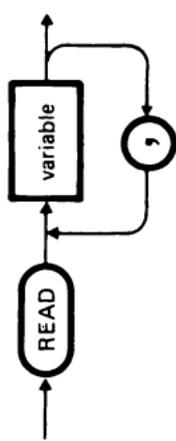
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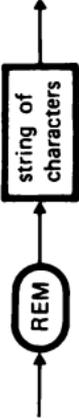
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<p><b>OPEN</b></p>	<p>Opens a file stored on disk and indicates the mode in which it will be processed</p>	 <p>Example: 10 OPEN "1", # 2, "ACCTS"</p>
<p><b>OPTION BASE</b></p>	<p>Declares the minimum value (lower limit) for an array subscript</p>	 <p>Example: 10 OPTION BASE 1</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>PRINT</b></p>	<p>Displays a list of data in a standard format</p>	 <p>Examples: 60 PRINT 9.9; A; A\$; SPC(3); B 90 PRINT G\$; F,; A</p>

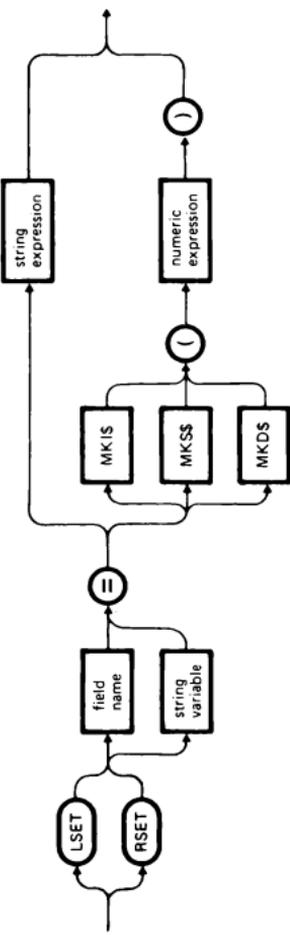
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<p><b>PRINT #</b></p>	<p>Writes data into a sequential file</p>	 <p>Examples: 50 PRINT# 1, X; Y; Z 80 PRINT# 2, A\$; ", "; B\$</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>PRINT USING</b></p>	<p>Displays a list of data in a user-defined format</p>	 <p>Examples: 70 PRINT USING "##.##"; 111.22 90 PRINT USING ".##"; .999</p>
<p><b>PRINT# USING</b></p>	<p>Writes data into a sequential file in user-defined format</p>	 <p>Example: 80 PRINT# 2, USING "\$\$###.##"; A; B; C</p>

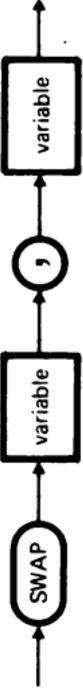
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<p><b>PUT#</b></p>	<p>Writes data from a random file buffer to a random file</p>	 <p>Example: 40 PUT#2, K</p>
<p><b>RANDOMIZE</b></p>	<p>Generates a random number sequence different from the standard sequence</p>	 <p>Example: 40 RANDOMIZE 10</p>
<p><b>READ</b></p>	<p>Reads data from an internal data file</p>	 <p>Example: 30 READ A, B, X\$</p>

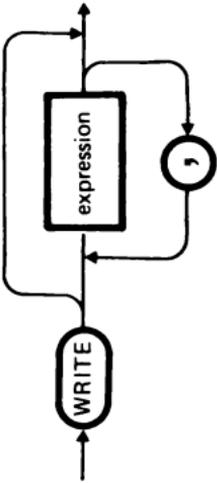
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REM	Allows explanatory remarks to be inserted in a program	 <p>Example: 60 REM PRIME NUMBER GENERATOR</p>
RESTORE	Moves the pointer either to the beginning of an internal data file or to a specified line number	 <p>Example: 70 RESTORE</p>

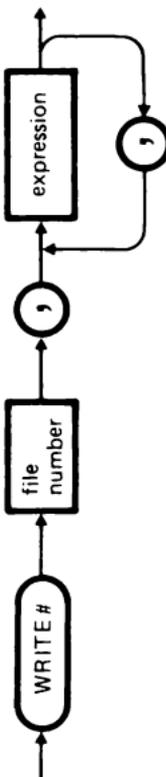
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RESUME	Resumes execution after an error handling routine has been entered	<p>Example: 150 RESUME</p>
RETURN	Returns control to the statement following a GOSUB	<p>Example: 140 RETURN</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
RSET	Transfers data from memory into a random file buffer, right justifying if necessary	 <p>Example: 120 RSET C\$ = MKS\$ (NUM) 150 RSET A\$ = F\$</p> <p>Note: see LSET</p>
STOP	Interrupts program execution and returns to command mode	 <p>Example: 120 STOP</p>

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<p><b>SWAP</b></p>	<p>Exchanges the values of two variables</p>	 <p>Examples: 70 SWAP A, B 90 SWAP A\$, B\$</p>
<p><b>SYSTEM</b></p>	<p>Returns to PCOS, clears memory, and closes all data files</p>	 <p>Example: 220 SYSTEM</p>
<p><b>USR</b></p>	<p>Calls an Assembly language subprogram, passing one argument to it</p>	 <p>Example: 50 D = USR (B/3)      Note: see DEF USR</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<b>WEND</b>	Defines the end of WHILE/WEND loop	 <p>Example: 180 WEND</p>
<b>WHILE</b>	Starts the execution of a WHILE/WEND loop	 <p>Examples: 75 WHILE A-B 90 WHILE C</p>
<b>WRITE</b>	Displays a list of data	 <p>Example: 60 WRITE A, B, C\$</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
WRITE #	Writes data into a sequential file adding delimiters between values	 <p>Examples: 80 WRITE#1, A, B 90 WRITE#2, A\$, B\$</p>

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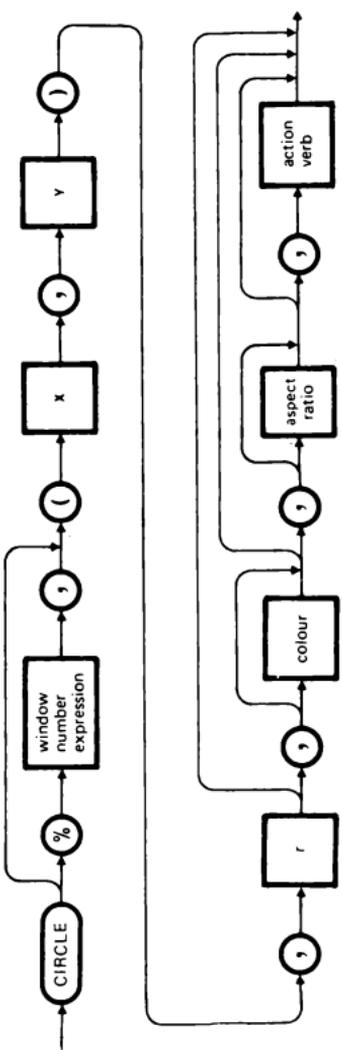
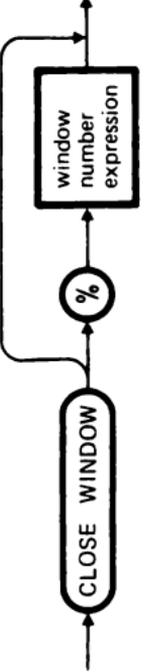
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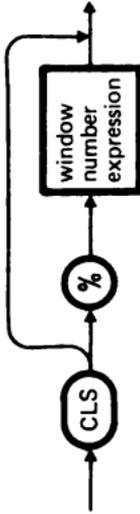
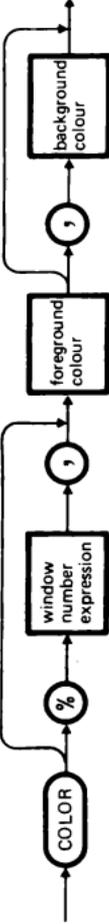
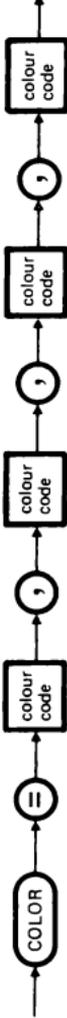
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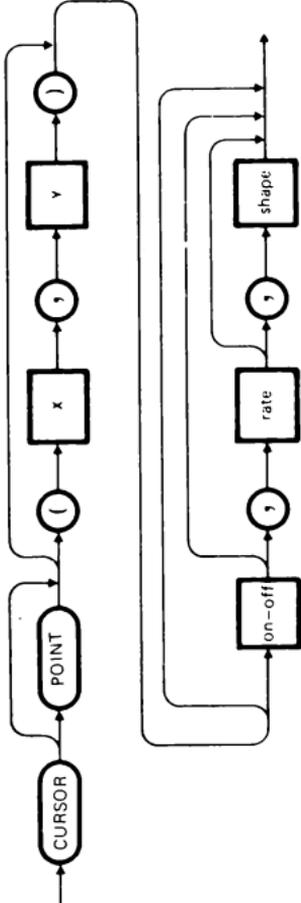
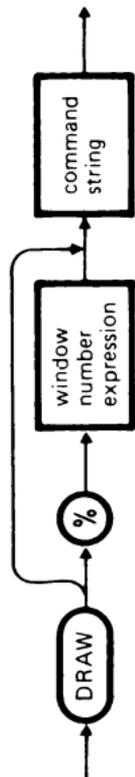
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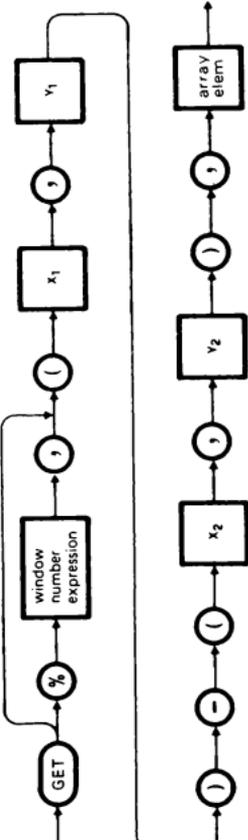
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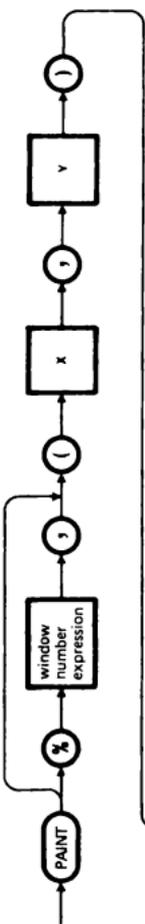
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>CIRCLE</b></p>	<p>Draws either a circle or an ellipse</p>	 <p>Example: 10 CIRCLE (50,50), 20</p>
<p><b>CLOSE WINDOW</b></p>	<p>Closes a window</p>	 <p>Example: CLOSE WINDOW %B</p>

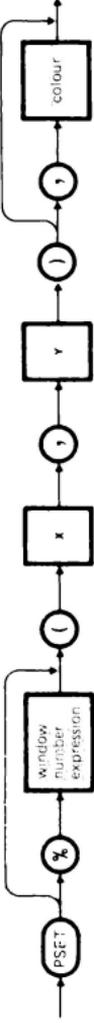
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
CLS	Cancels the contents of a window.	 <p>Example: 170 CLS %A</p>
COLOR (for a window)	Chooses the background and foreground colors for a selected window	 <p>Example: 60 COLOR %A, (0,1)</p>
COLOR (global colorset selection)	Chooses the colors to work with on the color display	 <p>Example: 40 COLOR = 3, 5, 6, 7    Note: 0 = black; 1 = green;  2 = blue; 3 = cyan;  4 = red; 5 = yellow;  6 = magenta; 7 = white</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>CURSOR</b></p>	<p>Specifies the position of the cursors, determines their shape, whether they are to be displayed, and whether they are to blink</p>	 <p>Example: 60 CURSOR POINT (50,50) 1,1</p>
<p><b>DRAW</b></p>	<p>Moves the graphic cursor within a window and draws lines in a given color</p>	 <p>Example: 140 DRAW "M = X, 25"</p>

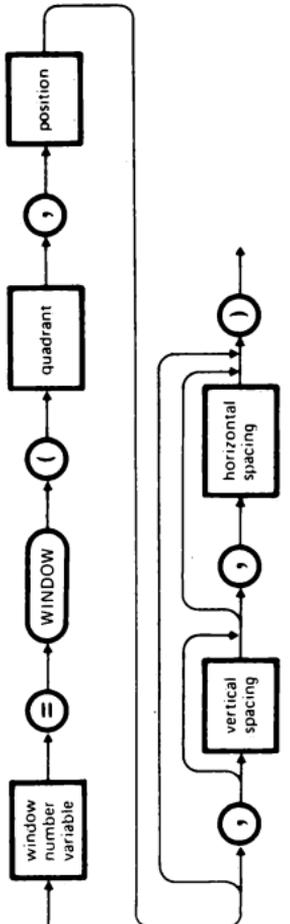
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
GET	Saves the whole or a part of a window in a specified array	 <p>The diagram illustrates the format of the GET statement. It starts with the keyword 'GET' in an oval, followed by a '%' symbol in a circle. An arrow points from the '%' to a rectangular box labeled 'window number expression'. From this box, an arrow points to a circle containing a comma ','. This comma is followed by a circle containing an opening parenthesis '(', which then points to a rectangular box labeled 'x1'. From 'x1', an arrow points to another circle containing a comma ',', which then points to a circle containing a closing parenthesis ')'. This parenthesis points to a rectangular box labeled 'y1'. From 'y1', an arrow points to a circle containing a comma ',', which then points to a circle containing a closing parenthesis ')'. This parenthesis points to a rectangular box labeled 'array elem'. Below this main flow, there is a separate sequence: a circle with an opening parenthesis '(', followed by a circle with a minus sign '-', then a circle with an opening parenthesis '(', then a rectangular box labeled 'x2', then a circle with a comma ',', then a circle with a closing parenthesis ')', then a rectangular box labeled 'y2', then a circle with a comma ',', then a circle with a closing parenthesis ')', and finally a rectangular box labeled 'array elem'. A long arrow originates from the 'array elem' box of the second sequence and points back to the 'array elem' box of the first sequence.</p> <p>Example: 150 GET (5,7) - (10,9), A</p>

NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
LINE	<p>Draws either a line or a rectangle and fills it with a specified color</p>	  <p>Example: 70 LINE (10,70) - (155,90),,B</p>

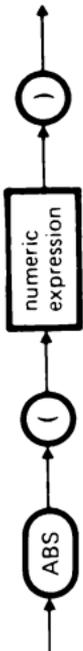
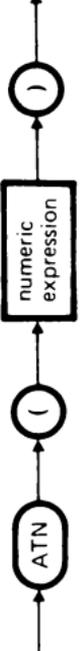
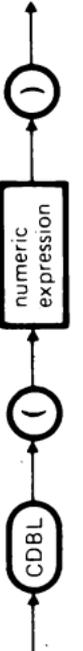
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>PAINT</b></p>	<p>Colors the whole or a portion of a window starting from the pixel closest to the x,y coordinates</p>	
<p><b>POINT</b></p>	<p>Returns the color code of the pixel nearest to the specified coordinates</p>	 <p>Example: 20 PAINT (50,50), 1,1</p> <p>Example: 60 A% = POINT (50,50)</p>

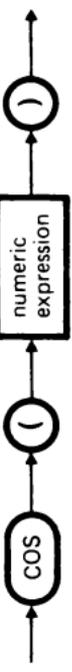
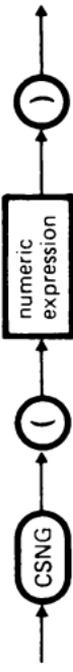
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
POS	Returns the position of the text cursor in the current window	 <p>Example: 70 B = POS (0)</p>
PRESET	Colors the pixel closest to the x,y coordinates with the background color of either the current or selected window	 <p>Example: 50 PRESET %A (10,20)</p>
PSET	Colors the pixel closest to the specified coordinate with a specified color	 <p>Example: 80 PSET '10,23', 2</p>

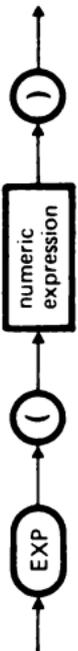
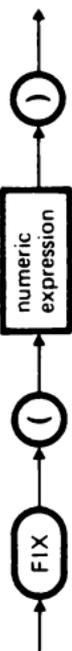
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>PUT</b></p>	<p>Puts a window or part of a window onto the display from a specified array</p>	
<p><b>SCALE</b></p>	<p>Defines the scaling between the user's "problem" coordinates and the "hardware" coordinates</p>	<p>Example: 80 PUT (7,15) - (9,25), B</p> <p>Example: 70 SCALE -1000, 1000, -1000, 1000</p>

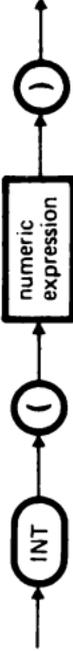
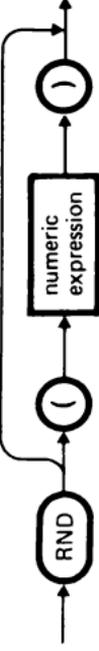
NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
<p><b>WINDOW (Format 1)</b></p>	<p>Opens a new window by splitting the current windows, or with <u>quadrant</u> and <u>position</u> specified as 0 returns the number of the current window</p>	 <p>Examples: 50 A = WINDOW (0,100,14) 70 B = WINDOW (0,0)</p>
<p><b>WINDOW (Format 2)</b></p>	<p>Selects a window as the current window</p>	 <p>Example: 90 WINDOW %A</p>

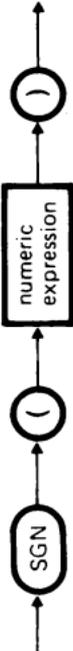
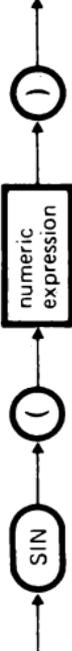


NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
ABS	Absolute value of an algebraic number	 <p>Examples: 40 LET A = B - ABS(C/D) 60 ? ABS(D/C)</p>
ATN	Arctangent of an angle (in radians)	 <p>Examples: 20 PRINT ATN (45.78) 90 X = ATN (Y+Z)</p>
CDBL	Double precision value of a number	 <p>Example: 20 A = CDBL (Y) 50 LPRINT CDBL (A*B)</p>

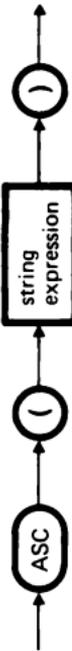
NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
CINT	Integer part of a number (rounded)	 <p>Example: 80 B = CINT (B)</p>
COS	Cosine of an angle (in radians)	 <p>Examples: 50 PRINT COS (A+B) 90 A = COS (34)</p>
CSNG	Single precision value of a number	 <p>Examples: 70 C = CSNG (X #) 95 C = CSNG (X-Y)</p>

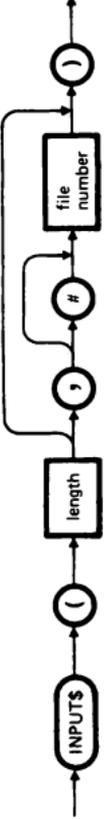
NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
EXP	Natural exponential of a number	 <p>Examples: 70 PRINT EXP (X-3) 90 PRINT EXP (5)</p>
FIX	Integer part of a number	 <p>Examples: 30 B = FIX (B) 60 X = FIX (X/Y)</p>
FRE	Number of bytes in memory not used by BASIC	 <p>Examples: PRINT FRE (X\$) PRINT FRE (" ")</p>

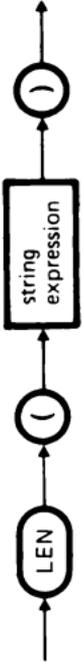
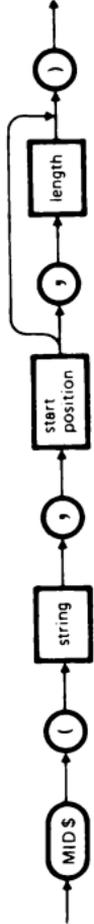
NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
INT	Greatest integer less than or equal to a number	 <p>Examples: 130 A = INT (C/B) 45 PRINT INT (X)</p>
LOG	Natural logarithm of a number	 <p>Examples: 60 A = LOG (26.7) 70 PRINT A + LOG (B)</p>
RND	Random number between 0 and 1	 <p>Examples: 40 X = RND (1) 90 PRINT INT (RND*50)</p> <p>Note: If <u>num-exp</u> &lt; 0, same sequence is restarted; if num-exp = 0, last random</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
<p><b>SGN</b></p>	<p>Indication of the sign of a number</p>	<p>number generated is repeated;  if <u>num-exp</u> &gt; 0 or omitted  next random number is generated</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Examples: 95 ON SGN(X) + 2 GO TO 100, 200, 300  60 PRINT SGN (Y+3)</p> <p>Note: If <u>num-exp</u> &lt; 0, a -1 is returned;  If <u>num-exp</u> = 0, a 0 is returned;  If <u>num-exp</u> &gt; 0, a 1 is returned</p>
<p><b>SIN</b></p>	<p>Sine of an angle (in radians)</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Examples: 80 PRINT SIN (V)  60 B = SIN (.56)</p>

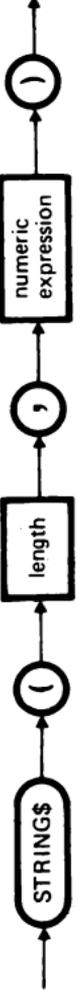
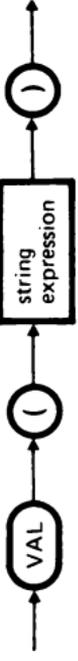
NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
SQR	Square root of a positive number	 <p>Examples: 30 A = SQR (255)*C 70 PRINT SQR (D)</p>
TAN	Tangent of an angle (in radians)	 <p>Examples: 60 PRINT TAN (23) 95 A = TAN (D+G)</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
ASC	ASCII value of the first character of a string	 <p>Example: 40 PRINT ASC (A\$)</p>
CHR\$	ASCII character corresponding to a numeric code	 <p>Example: 60 PRINT CHR\$ (84)</p>
HEX\$	String value representing the hexadecimal value of a decimal argument	 <p>Example: 50 A\$ = HEX\$ (X)</p>
INKEY\$	One-character string corresponding to a key pressed at keyboard	 <p>Example: 999 A\$ = INKEY\$</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
INPUT\$	String of characters read from the keyboard or a file	 <p>Example: 80 X\$ = INPUT\$(1)</p>
INSTR	Position in a string of the first occurrence of a substring, starting from a specified position	 <p>Examples: 95 PRINT INSTR(4, "ABCDEBF", "B") 40 I% = INSTR(A\$ + B\$, C\$)</p>
LEFT\$	Substring of a specified length extracted starting from the leftmost position of a string	 <p>Examples: 50 B\$ = LEFT\$(A\$,5) 70 C\$ = LEFT\$(C\$+"BAT",7)</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
LEN	Number of characters in a string	 <p>Example: 130 A = LEN (B\$) + LEN(C\$)</p>
MID\$	Substring of a specified length extracted starting from a specified position	 <p>Example: 60 PRINT MID\$(B\$,9,7)</p>
OCT\$	String value representing the octal value of a decimal argument	 <p>Example: 40 N\$ = OCT\$(A+B)</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
<b>RIGHT\$</b>	Substring of a specified length extracted starting from the rightmost position of a string	 <p>Example: 70 A\$ = RIGHT\$ (B\$,8)</p>
<b>SPACE\$</b>	String consisting of a specified number of spaces	 <p>Example: 80 B\$ = SPACE\$ (1)</p>
<b>STR\$</b>	String representation of a numeric value	 <p>Examples: 30 T\$ = STR\$(N) 80 A\$ = STR\$(3.14)</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
STRING\$	Substring of a specified length of each character of which is the first character of a specified string	 <p>Examples: 70 A\$ = STRING\$ (15,X\$) 90 A\$ = STRING\$ (N,"_")</p>
STRING\$	String of a specified length each character of which is the representation of a specified ASCII numeric code	 <p>Examples: 50 X\$ = STRING\$ (10,45) 80 X\$ = STRING\$ (A,Y)</p>
VAL	Numeric value of a string expression	 <p>Example: 80 Y = VAL(A\$)</p>

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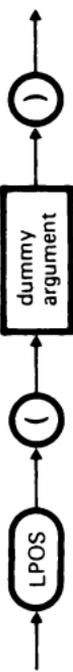
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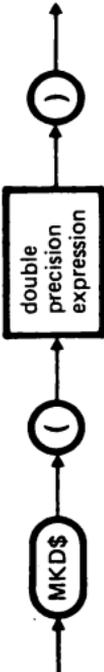
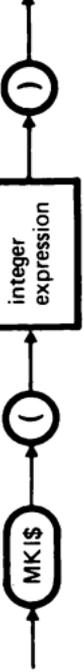
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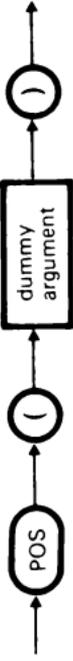
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NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
CVD	Double precision number derived from conversion of an 8-character string	<p>Example: 50 C# = CVD(X\$)</p>
CVI	Integer derived from conversion of a 2-character string	<p>Example: 40 A% = CVI(C\$)</p>

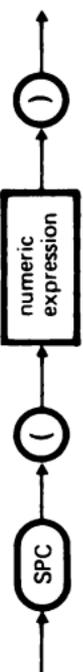
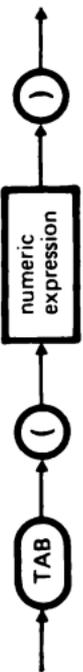
NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
CVS	Single precision number derived from conversion of a 4-character string	<p>Example: 20 Y! = CVS(N\$)</p>
EOF	Indication (-1) that end of a sequential file has been reached	<p>Example: 90 IF EOF(3) THEN 120</p>
ERL	Line number of a line in which an error was detected	<p>Example: 900 PRINT "Too big", ERL Note: See IF...ERL...THEN</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
ERR	Error code of an error detected during execution	 <p>Example: 200 I%=ERR</p> <p>Note: See IF...ERR...THEN</p>
LOC	Next record number to read or write (random file) or number of sectors read or written (sequential file)	 <p>Examples: 60 PRINT LOC(1) .80 PRINT LOC(2)</p>
LPOS	Current position of the line printer print head within the line printer buffer	 <p>Example: 80 IF LPOS(X) &gt; 60 THEN LPRINT A\$</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
MKD\$	An 8-character string derived from the conversion of a double precision value	 <p>Example: 70 LSET A\$ = MKD\$(C#)</p>
MKI\$	A 2-character string derived from the conversion of an integer value	 <p>Example: 60 LSET N\$ = I:KI\$(A%)</p>
MK\$S	A 4-character string derived from the conversion of a single precision value	 <p>Example: 60 LSET F\$ = MK\$S(A)</p>

NAME	VALUE RETURNED	FORMAT
POS	Current character position of the cursor	 <p>Example: 70 IF POS(X) &gt; 60 THEN PRINT A\$</p>
SCALEX	Pixel coordinate on the x-axis corresponding to a specified user coordinate	 <p>Example: 80 PRINT SCALEX (.25)</p>
SCALEY	Pixel coordinate on the y-axis corresponding to a specified user coordinate	 <p>Example: 60 PRINT SCALEY (.75)</p>

NAME	VALUED RETURNED	FORMAT
VARPTR	Address of variable in memory or zero if variable has not been assigned a value	 <p>Example: 40 I = VARPTR (X)</p>
VARPTR	For sequential files, starting address of the disk I/O buffer assigned to the specified file; for random files, address of the FIELD buffer associated with the specified file	 <p>Example: 60 J = VARPTR (#2)</p>

NAME	PURPOSE	FORMAT
SPC	To specify the number of spaces to precede or follow the printing or display of a data item	 <p>Examples: 40 PRINT B\$; SPC(10); C\$ 85 LPRINT A; SPC(25); "YEAR"</p>
TAB	To specify the position in a line at which a data item is to be printed or displayed	 <p>Examples: 60 LPRINT A, TAB(35), B\$ 80 PRINT TAB(1), " _ _ _"</p>







NAME	FUNCTION	FORMAT
DELETE	Removes all text between the current line and the MARK line, placing the removed text in the restore buffer	 <p>Example: delete</p>
FILE	Suspends processing of the current file and invokes the editor for processing of another file	 <p>Example: file alys/arty</p>
GOTO	Moves the window to a specified line number in the file	 <p>Example: goto 7</p>

**Note:** Before entering a command, you must strike the COMMAND MODE function key. To execute the command, you strike the EXECUTE COMMAND key.

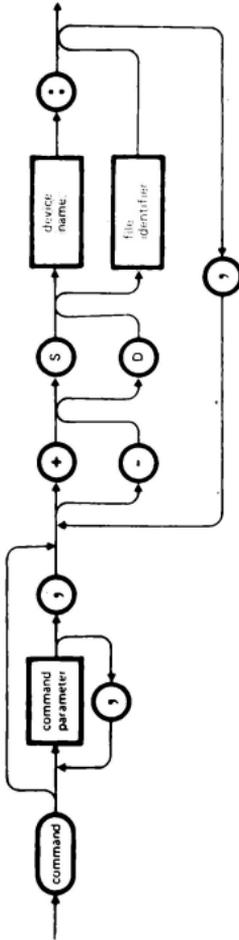


## DEVICE RE-ROUTING

Information relating to device re-routing is provided below.

### LOCAL DEVICE RE-ROUTING

Re-routes input and output of the PCOS command being executed.



Note: Default device names are:

prt: = PCOS Printer Driver  
cons: = PCOS Console Driver (video and keyboard)  
ieeee: = IEEE 488 Driver  
Com: = Standard RS 232-C communication port  
Com1: = First RS 232-C communication port on TWIN BOARD  
Com2: = Second RS 232-C communication port on TWIN BOARD

Note that + or -, S or D and device name or file name follow each other without any spaces in between, and constitutes one device re-routing parameter. Each device re-routing parameter must be followed by a comma to separate it from the next device re-routing parameter. Note also that +drpt: may also be written as +prt (in capital or small letters).

**Note:**

Adding simply +PRT to a command -- for example:

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ba +prt
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causes that command's output to be directed to the printer as well as to the video screen. (As a result, all BASIC activities will appear on the printer and the screen.)

**Examples:**

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v1 1: -dcons: +cprt:
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causes the output of the VLIST command, directed to the disk in drive 1, to be printed only.

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v1 +prt
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causes the output of the VLIST command, directed to the disk in the last drive referred to, to be printed as well as displayed.

## GLOBAL DEVICE RE-ROUTING

Re-routes input and output of all subsequent PCOS commands executed.

To activate global device re-routing, specify the parameters shown in the syntax diagram for local device re-routing, omitting COMMAND and COMMAND PARAMETERS.

### Examples:

+prt or +dprt:

causes all subsequent output to be printed as well as displayed.

-dcons: +dprt:

causes all subsequent output to be printed only.



## APPENDIX A EDIT MODE SUBCOMMANDS

An EDIT command must be issued before any of the following subcommands can be used.

SUBCOMMAND	FUNCTION
A	Restores the line as it was and restarts editing from the start of the line
<b>CR</b>	Displays the newly modified line, exits from edit mode, and returns to command mode
n C characters	Changes the next n characters in the line to the characters entered from the keyboard. (The number of characters entered must equal the value of n.)
n D	Deletes n characters starting from the position of the cursor
E	Ends editing, returns to Command mode, saves changes, but does not display the rest of the line
H characters	Deletes the rest of the line, starting from the position of the cursor, and allows the optional insertion of characters at that point
I characters	Inserts the characters keyed in on the keyboard at the position of the cursor. (To end insert state, press <b>CTRL HOME</b> to continue editing the line, or <b>CR</b> to exit from edit mode.)
n K character	Kills all characters up to the <u>nth</u> occurrence of <u>Character</u>
L	Lists the rest of the line, from the position of the cursor and returns to the start of the line

- Q Restores the line as it was and exits from edit mode into command mode
- n S character Searches for the nth occurrence of character and positions the cursor in front of it
- X characters Inserts characters at the end of the line

## **APPENDIX B USE OF THE CONTROL KEY CTRL**

The Control Key **CTRL** is pressed together with other keys to perform a number of special operations. The correspondence between the keys pressed and the operation performed is shown below.

KEYS PRESSED	OPERATION PERFORMED
<b>CTRL C</b>	Activates the Break facility to delete the line being typed. Interrupts program execution or automatic line numbering and returns the M20 to BASIC command mode
<b>CTRL G</b>	Suppresses the display or printing of the characters about to be entered
<b>CTRL H</b>	Deletes the last character entered
<b>CTRL I</b>	Provides a tab of eight spaces
<b>CTRL S</b>	Suspends program execution or listing (to resume, press any key.)
<b>CTRL U</b>	Deletes the line being typed
<b>CTRL HOME</b>	Exits insert state without exiting edit mode
<b>CTRL RESET</b>	Clears memory and reloads PCOS and BASIC from disk

## APPENDIX C ERROR MESSAGES AND CODES

ERROR CODE	MESSAGE	EXPLANATION
1	NEXT WITHOUT FOR	A NEXT statement has been encountered without a matching FOR.
2	SYNTAX ERROR	A line has been encountered which includes an incorrect sequence of characters (misspelled keyword, incorrect punctuation, etc.).
3	RETURN WITHOUT GOSUB	A RETURN has been encountered for which there is no previous unmatched GOSUB statement.
4	OUT OF DATA	A READ statement has been executed when there are no DATA statements with unread data remaining in the program.
5	ILLEGAL FUNCTION CALL	<p>A parameter that is out of range has been passed to a mathematical or string function. This error may also occur with invalid arguments in function parameters or an ON...GOTO, and when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. An array subscript is either negative or too large.</li><li>b. A log function is assigned a negative or a null argument.</li></ol>

- c. The SQR function is assigned a negative value.
- d. A negative value has a non-integer exponent.
- e. AUSR function has been called without having an initial address established.

6	OVERFLOW	<p>The result of a calculation is too large to be represented in BASIC's number format.</p> <p>Note: With underflow, the result is taken as zero, and execution continues without indication of an error.</p>
7	OUT OF MEMORY	A program is too big; or has too many loops, GOSUBs or variables; or has expressions too complicated to evaluate.
8	UNDEFINED LINE NUMBER	A line reference is to a non-existent line from a GOTO, GOSUB, IF..THEN..ELSE or DELETE statement.
9	SUBSCRIPT OUT OF RANGE	An array element has been referred to either with a subscript that is outside the dimensions of the array or with the wrong number of subscripts.
10	DUPLICATE DEFINITION	Two DIM statements have been given for the same array, or a DIM statement has also been ap-

- plied to an array after the default dimension of 10 was previously established for that array.
- 11        DIVISION BY  
          ZERO            A division by zero has been encountered or the value zero has been raised to a negative power. In the former case, the result is machine infinity (with the appropriate sign); in the latter, the result is positive machine infinity.
- 12        ILLEGAL DIRECT    A statement which is invalid in immediate (direct) mode has been entered as an immediate command.
- 13        TYPE MISMATCH     A string variable name has been assigned a numeric value or vice-versa; a function that expects a numeric argument has been given a string argument or vice versa.
- 14        OUT OF STRING  
          SPACE            String variables have caused BASIC to exceed the amount of free user memory remaining. (BASIC will allocate space dynamically until it runs out of memory.)
- 15        STRING TOO LONG    An attempt has been made to create a string more than 255 characters long.

16	STRING FORMULA TOO COMPLEX	A string expression is too long or too complex to be processed. It should be broken into smaller expressions.
17	CAN'T CONTINUE	An attempt has been made to continue a program that is noncontinuable; as it is halted due to an error, was modified during a break in execution, or does not exist.
18	UNDEFINED USER FUNCTION	A function has been called that has not been previously defined.
19	NO RESUME	An error-trapping routine has been entered that contains no RESUME statement.
20	RESUME WITHOUT ERROR	A RESUME statement has been encountered before an error-trapping routine is entered.
21	UNPRINTABLE ERROR	An error message is not printable i.e. corresponds to an error with an undefined error code.
22	MISSING OPERAND	An expression contains an operator but no following operand.
23	LINE BUFFER OVERFLOW	An attempt has been made to enter a line with more than 255 characters.
24	Unprintable error.	
25	Unprintable error.	

26	FOR WITHOUT NEXT	A FOR has been encountered with out a matching NEXT.
29	WHILE WITHOUT WEND	A WHILE has been encountered without a matching WEND.
30	WEND WITHOUT WHILE	A WEND has been encountered without a matching WHILE.
31	IEEE INVALID TALKER/LISTENER ADDRESS	Use of invalid talker listener address.
32	IEEE: TALKER = LISTENER ADDRESS	An attempt has been made to talk to a talker, or listen to a listener.
33	IEEE: UNPRINTABLE ERROR	An error message is not printzble i.e. corresponds to an error with an undefined error code.
34	IEEE: BOARD NOT PRESENT	An attempt has been made to use IEEE on a machine which does not have the optional IEEE interface.
35	WINDOW NOT OPEN	An attempt has been made to use a window which is not currently open.
36	UNABLE TO CREATE WINDOW	The window to be created is too big or too small for its mode (graphics or text).
37	INVALID ACTION VERB	An action verb has been incorrectly spelled or used.
38	PARAMETER OUT OF RANGE	One or more parameters have exceeded the limits set for their range.

39	TOO MANY DIMENSIONS	An attempt has been made to use an array of more than one dimension in graphics mode.
50	FIELD OVERFLOW	A FIELD statement has attempted to allocate more bytes than were specified for the record length of a random file.
51	INTERNAL ERROR	An internal malfunction has occurred.  Report the conditions under which the error occurred to your Support Organization.
52	BAD FILE NUMBER	A statement or command refers to a file having a file number not within the range specified at initialization or the corresponding file is not open.
53	FILE NOT FOUND	A LOAD, KILL or OPEN statement refers to a file that does not exist on the current disk.
54	BAD FILE MODE	An attempt has been made to use random file operations (GET or PUT ) with a sequential file; to use the sequential operation LOAD with a random file; or to use an invalid file mode with OPEN, i.e., not A, I, O, or R.
55	FILE ALREADY OPEN	A sequential OPEN, O, has been issued for a file that is already open, or a KILL has been applied to a file that is open.

57	DISK I/O ERROR	An input/output error has occurred during a disk I/O operation.
58	FILE ALREADY EXISTS	The filename specified is identical to a filename already in use on the disk.
61	DISK FULL	All disk storage space available is in use.
62	INPUT PAST END	An INPUT statement has been executed after all the data has been assigned, or for an empty (null) file.  <u>Note:</u> The EOF function can be used to detect end of file.
63	BAD RECORD NUMBER	The record number used with a GET or PUT statement exceeds range, i.e. is 0 or greater than 32767.
64	BAD FILE NAME	An invalid form of filename has been used with KILL, LOAD, OPEN or SAVE e.g.:  - too long  - includes invalid characters such as space or hyphen.
66	DIRECT STATEMENT IN FILE	A direct (immediate) statement has been encountered when loading an ASCII format file.  The LOAD operation is terminated.

67	TOO MANY FILES	An attempt has been made to create a new file (using SAVE or OPEN) when the present directory is already full.
69	VOLUME NAME NOT FOUND	The volume name specified is not the name of any volume currently loaded.
70	RENAME ERROR	An error has been made during a rename operation.
71	VOLUME NUMBER ERROR	An error has been made in specifying the volume number.
72	VOLUME NOT ENABLED or FILE RENAME ERRR	A required password has not been specified.  An error has occurred during a rename operation.
73	INVALID PASSWORD or INVALID VOLUME NUMBER	An invalid password has been specified.  The volume number specified is invalid.
75	WRITE PROTECTED  or VOLUME NOT ENABLED	An attempt has been made to write to a file that is write-protected.  The required volume password has not been specified.
76	ERROR IN PARAMETER or PASSWORD NOT VALID	The parameter specified contains an error.  An incorrect password has been specified.

77	ILLEGAL DISK CHANGED or TOO MANY PARAMETERS	Disk changed without closing files.  The number of parameters specified exceeds the number required.
78	FILE NOT OPEN	An attempt has been made to write to or read from a file that is not yet open.
90	ERROR IN PARAMETER	One or more of the quoted parameters con- tains an unacceptable value.
91	TOO MANY PARAMETERS	Too many parameters have been specified.
92	COMMAND NOT FOUND	Use of invalid keyword or command not available as system software is not loaded.
96	FILE NOT OPEN	The operation requested requires the specified file to be open.
97	READ FILE ERROR	An error has been en- countered in reading from a file.
98	BAD LOAD FILE IDENTIFIER	An incorrect file iden- tifier has been speci- fied.
99	BAD LOAD FILE VERSION NUMBER	The specified version number is incorrect.
100	COMMAND ALREADY RESIDENT	An attempt has been made to pload a resident command.
101	BAD DATE OPTION	An invalid date has been specified.

102	BAD TIME OPTION	An invalid time has been specified.
103	GET DATE ERROR	An error has been encountered in a date operation.
104	GET TIME ERROR	An error has been encountered in a time operation.
105	BAD VERIFY OPTION	An invalid verify has been requested.
106	FUNCTION KEY ALREADY DEFINED	An attempt has been made to pkey a function to a key which has already been allotted a function.
108	ERROR IN CALL USER INTERFACE	An error has been encountered in a call user interface.
109	PRINTER NOT CONNECTED	The requested operation requires the connection of a printer.
111	INVALID DEVICE NAME	An invalid device name has been specified.
112	INVALID DEVICE TYPE	An invalid device type has been specified.



## APPENDIX E ASCII CHARACTER EQUIVALENCES

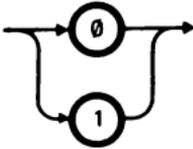
This table shows the national equivalences for those ASCII characters that appear on the video screen or printer in various national forms.

ASCII VALUE		NATIONAL EQUIVALENT												
DECIMAL	HEXADECIMAL	USA	ITALY	FRANCE	GREAT BRITAIN	GERMANY (1)	GERMANY (2)	SPAIN	PORTUGAL	DENMARK NORWAY	SWEDEN FINLAND	NORWAY	SWITZERLAND FRENCH	SWITZERLAND GERMAN
35	23	#	£	£	£	#	#	£	#	£	#	£	£	£
36	24	\$	₡	₡	₡	₡	₡	₡	₡	₡	□	₡	₡	₡
64	40	Ⓢ	§	à	Ⓢ	§	§	§	§	·	e	·	§	§
91	5B	[	o	o	[	Å	Å	i	Ã	Æ	Å	Æ	à	à
92	5C	Ⓟ	ç	ç	\	Ö	Ö	ñ	ç	Ø	Ö	Ø	ç	ç
93	5D	]	é	§	]	Ü	Ü	ç	Ö	Å	Å	Å	è	è
96	60	·	ü	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·	·
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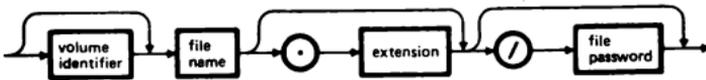
\* Encircled characters are used for functions in BASIC.

APPENDIX F COMMON TERMS USED IN FORMAT SPECIFICATIONS

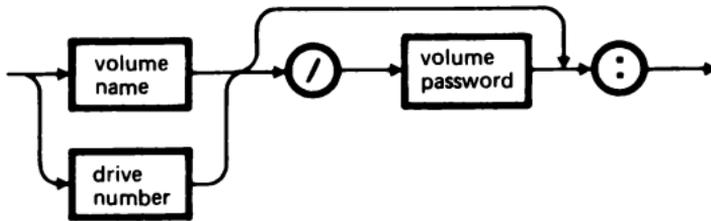
**DRIVE NUMBER**



**FILE - IDENTIFIER**



**VOLUME - IDENTIFIER**



**Note**

If drive-number is omitted, drive 0 is assumed by default unless drive 1 was the last drive accessed.

## APPENDIX G NUMERIC TYPE DECLARATION TAGS

Listed below are the tags that can be appended to a numeric variable name to declare its type.

TAG	MEANING	EXAMPLES
%	Integer	I% ROUND%
!	Single precision	A! TIME!
#	Double precision	N# SPEED#



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