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QSPL REFERENCE MANUAL

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This document is a brief but complete description of a new language invented and implemented by the authors. This language is intended to be a suitable vehicle for programs which would otherwise be written in machine language for reasons of efficiency or flexibility. It is part of a system which also includes a compiler capable of producing reasonably efficient object code and a runtime which implements the input-output and string-handling features of the language as well as a fairly elaborate storage allocator. The system automatically takes care of paging arrays and blocks from the drum if they have been so declared.

#### The Language:

A QSPL program consists of statements separated by semicolons. Carriage returns and blanks have no significance in the language except that they:

1. Act as word (and comment) delimiters.
2. Are taken literally in string and character constants.

Warning: This is one of the many features of the language which can cause trouble for the unwary programmer. It is quite possible to write two statements without the separating semicolon and wind up with something which is legal, but not at all what was intended. It is a general characteristic of QSPL that it is very permissive; many things are legal which are not at all reasonable.

A statement may be:

1. A declaration.
2. A listing control statement.
3. An end statement.
4. A function definition.

5. A comment, which is a line beginning (after a semicolon or another comment) with an asterisk ("\*") and ending with a carriage return (not ",").

Most statements are expressions, so we will discuss them first.

also: control statements (IF, FOR, WHILE, INCREMENT)

**Expressions**

An expression is made up of operands separated by operators. Parentheses are allowed to any reasonable depth. The operators are arranged in a hierarchy of binding strength or precedence. Those at the top of the following list are executed latest, so that  $a+b*c$  is  $a+(b*c)$ .

**&** denotes successive evaluation. The value of the result is the value of the last expression in the string. Thus

$A+B \& C+D;$

or more plausibly

$F(A,B) \& G(L,Y);$

which causes both functions to be called in the order in which they are written.

**WHERE** is similar to **&**, but causes the following expression to be evaluated first. It may not be iterated. Thus

$F(X,Y) \text{ WHERE } N+14;$

**FOR, WHILE**

takes the form

$\langle \text{expression} \rangle \text{ FOR } \langle \text{for clause} \rangle;$

or

$\langle \text{expression} \rangle \text{ WHILE } \langle \text{expression} \rangle;$

The expression is evaluated repeatedly under control of the for clause (see below for the syntax of this construct). The final value of the expression is discarded, and the value of an expression involving **FOR** or **WHILE** is undefined. Of course, something like

$(A[I])(J)+0 \text{ FOR } I=1 \text{ TO } N \text{ FOR } J=1 \text{ TO } M;$

is legal.

**IF** takes the form

```
<expression> IF <expression> ELSE
  <expression>;.
```

The second expression is evaluated. If it is non-zero, the first expression is evaluated. Its value becomes the value of the whole thing, and the third expression (which, by the way, may contain another IF) is skipped. Otherwise the first expression is skipped, and the third is evaluated. Thus

```
X+4 IF Y=6 ELSE X+5 IF Y>=0 ELSE X+6;
```

If the final ELSE is omitted, 0 will be supplied.

← is the assignment operator. It ranks on the same level as '.' for its left-hand operand, and just below IF for its right-hand one. The right-hand operand is evaluated, and its value becomes the value of the left-hand one. The whole expression is then treated as though only the left-hand side had been written.

OR is the logical or. If either operand is a relation (or an expression containing logical operators connecting at least one relation), then the result is 0 or 1 depending on whether both operands are true (non-zero). If both operands have ordinary values, these values are combined with the machine's MRC instruction. Thus

```
A<4 OR B<5
```

is true if either relation holds;

```
A<4 OR X+1
```

is true if A<4 or if X+1 is not zero. In both these cases, the second operand is not evaluated if the first one is true. But

```
F(X,Y) OR Z
```

is the 24-bit logical OR of Z and the value of the function call. The operands of an OR are never re-ordered.

## AND, ECR

AND is the logical and. It is exactly the same as OR in the way it treats its operands, differing only in the result. ECR always converts its operands to values and uses the ECR instruction.

## NOT

is the logical not. If its single operand is a relation (see the discussion of OR) its value is inverted (0 becomes 1, 1 becomes 0). Otherwise, a 24-bit complement is taken (with ECR = -1).

## = # &lt; &lt;= &gt; &gt;=

are the relations. Each one evaluates its operands and then performs the indicated test. For these and all the arithmetic operations, the operands may be re-ordered if it suits the compiler's convenience.

## MOD

A MOD B is the remainder of A/B.

## + -

perform 24-bit integer addition or subtraction.

## \* / LSH RSH LCY RCY

"\*" and "/" perform 24-bit integer multiplication and division. No test is made for overflow on division.

The shift operations shift the first operand the number of places indicated by the second operand. Vacated bits are replaced by zeros. The cycle operators do an end-around shift.

## + - GOTO RETURN SRETURN DO (unary operators)

The unary "+" and "-" do the obvious thing. DO is a noise word and is ignored. It may be convenient for constructions such as this:

```
DO F(X,Y);
```

GOTO transfers to the address which is the value of its operand (see the discussion of labels below).

RETURN and SRETURN evaluate their operand(s), of which there may be at most 3. They leave the values in the A, B, and X registers respectively and return through the return link of the most recently defined function (see below). If this is not desired, the RETURN may be modified by following it with FROM <expression>. In this case the return is to

the address which is 1 + the value of the expression. Thus

```
RETURN X+Y FROM FCNL;
```

The programmer should be sure that FCNL has a proper return address in it, since the compiler will not check this. The operand of RETURN may be omitted. RETURN is a normal return, or a no-skip return (failure return) from functions called with a failure location (see function calls below). SRETURN is a skip return, or a normal return from functions called with a failure location.

( ) (function calls).

The arguments of the function are enclosed in the parentheses, separated by commas. Thus

```
F(X,Y+5,Z).
```

Note that the function may be specified by an expression; thus

```
(A+B)(A,Y+5,Z)
```

is perfectly legal. It causes control to be transferred to the location which is the value of the expression A+B with the specified arguments. **Beware.** The values of the first three function arguments are transmitted in the A, B and X registers respectively. The addresses of the values of further arguments are put into NOP instructions which precede the function call. The function is called with a POP which leaves the link in 0 and transfers to the location addressed by it. Thus

```
F(A,Y+5,Z,P+1,Q)
```

compiles

```
LDA P; ADD #1; STA T:+1; LDA Y; ADD #5; CAB;
LDA A; LDX Z; NOP Q; NOP T:+1; CALL*
F;.
```

In addition to 0 or more arguments, a function call may also have a failure location. This corresponds to a no skip return (RETURN operation) from a function which also has a skip return (SRETURN operation). The failure

location comes after the arguments and is preceded by a colon, thus:

```
F(A1,A2:L).
```

The failure location may be either a label, in which case control will go there in case of failure, or RETURN or SRETURN possibly followed by a single expression, which will be executed in case of failure. A function normally returns just one value, which is passed in the A-register. However, it may return no values, or up to three: additional values are put in the B and X registers. The first value is always the one used for further computation (e.g. in situations like  $F(X)+1$ ), but any subset of the values can be saved by cutting a save list after the failure location, preceded by another colon, thus:  $F(X,Y:M:V1,V2,V3)$  or even  $F(P,R::X,Y,Z)$  if there is no failure location. The save list must be a list of simple variables. It is all right to have a comma with no name: the corresponding return value just gets lost. See below for a discussion of function declarations. Note that this calling convention is not the same as FORTRAN's. In particular, in the above example nothing the function does (within reason) can affect the value of A or Z. It is possible to transmit the address of A or Z with the reference operator, however (see below).

(tailing). The . must be followed by a field name (see discussion of declarations below). The resulting object refers to the specified field relative to the address which is the value of the first operand. Thus, if we have

```
DECLARE FIELD A(1), B(2);
```

and if X contains 143, then X.A refers to location 144, X.B to 145, X.A.B to 2 + the contents of location 144. A tailed operand may appear on either side of an assignment. Cf the discussion of PAGED declaration for the treatment of paged blocks.



\$ (binary, same precedence as `.`). The construct `T$F` is almost equivalent to `@T.F`. I.e., it refers to the bits of `T` (not the word addressed by `T`) selected by `F`. The word displacement of `F` is ignored, and `F` must not cross a word boundary.

@ \$ (reference and indirection). The reference operator `"@"` takes an operand which must be an address (i.e. acceptable on the left side of an assignment) and returns this address as its value. Note that this implies that iteration of the reference operator is illegal (in fact it does not make any sense). The indirection operator `"$"` evaluates its operand and returns this value as an address. The sequence `"@$"` is equivalent to no operation, except that `"$"` on an address is compiled with the machine's indirect bit, and will therefore be affected by the presence of indirect or index bits in the contents of address. If we have written

```
DECLARE FIELD S(0);
```

then `<E>.$` is equivalent to `$<E>`, with the exception noted above.

[] (subscripting). A single subscript is allowed. As with function calls, the object being subscripted may be an arbitrary expression. If it has been declared as an array, the compiler loads the subscript into the X-reg and compiles an indirect reference through the array name. I.e., it expects the array name to contain the base address of the array with index bit on. For any other expression the `"[]"` operator is equivalent to `"$"+"."`. Thus

```
(A-B)[C OR D]+1
```

compiles as  
 LDA C; MFG D; STA I; LDA A; SUB B; ADD T; XXA;  
 LDA 0,2; ADD =1;

## Primitives

The primaries for expressions may be numbers, names, string constants, or character constants.

### numbers

A number may be an integer constant or a real constant. An integer constant is a string of digits, possibly followed by B or D, possibly followed by a single-digit scale factor. B makes the number octal; if it is absent, decimal is assumed. Thus  $100D = 1D2 = 144B = 1B2+44B = 100$ . A real constant is of the form  $xxx.xxxExxx$ . Either the dot or the E must be present. If the dot is present, there must be some digits before it; if the E is present, there must be some digits after it. For further details, consult the description in R-21 of the SIC system, which is used to convert real constants to binary form.

### names

A name is a string of any number of letters and digits beginning with a letter. Only the first six characters of the name are significant. A name must be declared (see below). All names except parameters and fields are treated in exactly the same way when they occur in expressions (except for subscripting). E.g. a string name refers to the pointer to the string descriptor which is the value of the name. Thus, if S is a string

```
S←A+1;
```

simply stores A+1 into S; this is probably not reasonable. Functions are provided to convert between strings and numbers.

### reserved words

There are about 80 reserved words (see Appendix B) which may not be used as names. In addition, about 20 locations in the runtime (see Appendix C) are predeclared as external; attempts to declare them for other purposes will fail.

### character constants

A character constant has the form

'<three or fewer pseudo-characters>'

and may be used wherever a constant is used. A pseudo-character is any character other than "&", or "&" followed by one of the following:

1. Another "&" or a "!". The two are equivalent to a single "&" or "!" in the constant.
2. Three octal digits. The number thus defined, truncated to 8 bits, counts as one character.
3. A letter. The ASCII (internal) code for the letter + 100B is the value of the pseudo-character.

The characters are right-justified in the constant, which is filled out with blanks (0) on the left. It is an error to have more than 3 pseudo-characters in the constant.

string\_constants

A string constant has the form "<any number of pseudo-characters>". It is legal in any context in which a string name is legal. A descriptor will be created which points to the constant string. If the string constant appears alone immediately after a left arrow, the variable to which the constant is being assigned is assumed to hold a pointer to an already existing string descriptor; in all other cases, space for a descriptor will be allocated for the constant by the compiler. In any case, writing into the string will alter the constant.

A variety of operations are provided for converting field names into constants:

1. F(expression) has the value of T after the statements

T←0; T\$F←expression;

have been executed. F must not cross word boundaries.

2. The function FSHIFT(F) has 23-the rightmost bit position occupied by F as its value. F must not cross word boundaries. The value of FSHIFT is a constant.
3. The function FMASK(F) has as value a constant which has one bits in positions selected by the field as its value. It is equivalent to F(-1). F must not cross word boundaries.
4. A field name F appearing in any context other than  
 F(

.F  
\$F  
is equivalent to a constant whose value is  
the word displacement of the field.

constant\_expressions

Any expression involving operators of precedence higher than FOR and constant operands will be evaluated by the compiler yielding a result which behaves exactly like a constant.

**Declarations**

Variables are declared with DECLARE or FUNCTION statements or by appearing as labels. The syntax of variable DECLARE is

```
DECLARE [FIXED or PAGED] [INTEGER or REAL or
STRING] [ARRAY] [EXTERNAL or ENTRY or
LOCAL] <namelist> ;
```

The stuff after the DECLARE may be repeated as many times as desired. Once FIXED, PAGED or ARRAY has been used it remains in effect for the remainder of the current DECLARE statement. INTEGER is assumed if it is omitted, but once STRING has been used it remains in effect until INTEGER appears again. Each name in the namelist may be preceded by "\$" (which makes it an entry) or by "\*" (which makes it external, i.e. prevents storage from being assigned for it). If FIXED and ARRAY are both present, a name may be followed by an expression in parentheses (or brackets). Thus

```
DECLARE FIXED ARRAY A[12], B[X*2+14];
```

The expression (which must be a constant) will be evaluated and that many cells assigned for the array at compile time. The base address of the region assigned, with the index bit set, will be stored in the name. If a name is declared ARRAY without any storage being assigned, the system will assume that its value is a pointer to an array with the index bit set.

I.e., it will compile

```
LDX I, LDA* A; STA B
FOR E+A[I].
```

**Example:**

```
DECLARE INTEGER A, B STRING D, $G1, G2,
EXTERNAL G3, G4,
ARRAY E(X+Y[4]), INTEGER C(10);
```

declares two scalar integers, one integer array which will be assigned 10 locations when the declaration is executed, two local scalar strings (D and G2), one local string array which will be assigned X+Y[4] locations when the declaration is executed, one scalar string which is an entry (G1), and two scalar strings which are assumed to be defined elsewhere (G3 and G4).

declared\_paged

A name or an array may be declared paged by putting the word PAGED in front of its declaration. This attribute, once mentioned, applies to all the names declared following it in the same statement. If an array is declared PAGED (not a FIXED array, of course), all references to it will be made to the drum. Correct access to the array will be obtained only if it is subscripted in the usual way: A[I]. It is not true that (A+1)[I] is equivalent to A[I+1], for example, as is the case for core arrays.

If a name declared paged is not an array, the only effect is that when it is tailed the system will assume it contains a drum address. Such an address can only be correctly obtained with PMAKE (see below). It is the programmer's responsibility to see that:

- a. It does contain a drum address generated with PMAKE.
- b. The field name used for tailing has a word displacement less than the block size specified by the PMAKE. Unpredictable errors will occur if this rule is not observed.

Declarations of fields are not affected by PAGED. Indirection (\$) and subscripting ([]) will work properly on a PAGED pointer. Arithmetic may be done on PAGED pointers in the usual fashion, provided the result is within a block allocated by a single call to PMAKE. thus after

```
DECLARE PAGED P; FIELD FO(0),F1(1),F2(2);
P+PMAKE(2);
```

the statements

```
A+P.F1; A+(P+1).FO; A+(P+1)[0];
```

have the same effect, but

```
A+P.F2; A+(P+2)[0];
```

are all erroneous, since only two words were allocated in the block pointed to by P.

declared\_string

When a name is declared to be a string, a single storage location is reserved for it unless FIXED has been used. Strings are specified, however, by four-word descriptors. The address of such a descriptor must be put into the string variable before it is used in any string

operation. For non-FIXED strings, this is usually done with the SETUP function, possibly preceded by a MAKE; alternatively, the address of a descriptor obtained in some other way can be used. If a string variable is not properly initialized, the consequences of using it any string operation are likely to be serious.

If a string declaration is preceded by FIXED, the four-word descriptor is assigned by the compiler and its address is the initial value of the string. If a FIXED STRING is followed by a parenthesized expression, that many characters are allocated for the string and the descriptor is initialized to point to the area thus allocated. Example:

```
DECLARE FIXED STRING S,T,U(5),V(240);
```

allocates string descriptors for S and T; they must be set up to point to strings by SETUP. It also allocates 5 characters for U and 240 for V and sets up the descriptors properly.

#### initialized\_declarations

An integer may be initialized by following its name with "+" <constant> or "+" <name>. Thus,

```
DECLARE A+3,B+14,C+A;
```

makes 3 the initial value of A, 14 the initial value of B. Of course, any expression which can be evaluated by the compiler may be used as a constant. This is not the same as a PARAMETER declaration (see below). The use of this construct is not recommended if the program changes the values of the variables, since the program must then be reloaded in order to be restarted.

A FIXED ARRAY can be initialized in the same way:

```
DECLARE FIXED ARRAY A[10]+1,3,5,7,11,13;
```

The first six elements of A are initialized as indicated. The remaining four elements are initialized to 0.

A fixed string or a fixed string array may be initialized in the same way, but the initial values must be string constants. warning: writing into initialized strings will destroy the contents.

If any declaration causes space to be allocated at the point in the program where the declaration occurs, a branch over it is compiled. Declarations may therefore be freely interpolated in the program.

### field\_declarations

Another form of DECLARE is the following:

```
DECLARE FIELD <name>
      (<constant>[:<constant>,<constant>])
```

which defines a field. Lots of fields can be defined if desired. The first constant specifies the word displacement of the field, the other two the bit positions in the word. Bit positions can take on values between 0 and 47. A field may span two words, but it may not be more than 24 bits long, thus:

```
DECLARE FIELD A(0),B(1),C(2),C1(2:0,5),
              C2(2:3,20),XYZ(2:12,23);
```

defines six fields. The last three might be thought of as subfields of C, but they do not have to be used in this way. If P were a pointer to a three-word data object, for example, then P.XYZ would refer to the last 12 bits of the third word of the object. Such objects can be created from nowhere with the MAKE function or, of course, may be allocated by the programmer.

Names declared as FIELD are output to DDT with their word displacements as value. If they appear not following a ".", they are treated as constants equal to their word displacements. Thus,

```
S(PTR+B) equiv S(PTR+1) equiv PTR.B .
```

A full-word field may be declare REAL or PAGED. This means that whenever it is used for tailing, the resulting quantity is considered REAL or PAGED respectively.

### parameter\_declarations

The declaration

```
DECLARE PARAMETER C1+1,C2+2,C3+3;
```



makes the names C1,C2,C3 equivalent in all ways to the constants 1, 2,3 for the rest of the program. Any constant may appear on the right of the "+". Note again that any constant expression may be used where a constant is required. Parameters, unlike other names, may be redeclared.

#### equivalence\_declaration

The declaration

```
DECLARE INTEGER Q=R, S=T[3],
```

is legal only if T has already been declared as a fixed array. It causes Q to be assigned to the same location as R, S to the same location as T[3].

#### function\_definition

A function is defined by

```
[REAL] FUNCTION or ENTRY [S] name(arglist);
```

If the word REAL appears, the function is assumed to return a floating point value; otherwise, it is assumed to return integer values, if any. If a S precedes the function name, the name is made an entry. Except when compiling under NOLIST LOCAL (described below), there is no difference between FUNCTION and ENTRY. Each argument in the arglist can be preceded by INTEGER, STRING or ARRAY and is declared automatically. INTEGER is assumed unless otherwise specified. If ARRAY is specified, the index bit will be merged into the value supplied. A name can be redeclared in a function definition (this is illegal in any other context), but only if the redeclaration exactly matches any previous declaration. The system creates a return link by prefixing the function name with X. The statement

```
FUNCTION <FNAME>(A, ARRAY B, STRING C);
```

would compile

```
STA A;CEA;MRG =2B7;STA B;STX C;LDX 0;STX  
X<FNAME>;
```

If additional arguments INTEGER D,E were supplied, the code

```
LDA* -1,2; STA D; LDA* -2,2; STA E;
```

would be added,

The function name itself is also declared by this statement. A storage location is reserved for it, and the address of the first word of the function (STA A above) is put into this address.

The link may be specified explicitly, if desired, as follows:

```
FUNCTION F(Q,R), LINK W;
```

### recursive\_functions

A function may be declared recursive by

```
[REAL] RECURSIVE FUNCTION or ENTRY [S] F(A,  
B), SAVE E;
```

The effect will be that whenever the function is called the link and the current values of A,B and E will be saved. When the function returns (via a RETURN or SRETURN with no FROM modifier and only one value returned), the saved variable values are restored.

Space for saving the variables is obtained by calling the function in the reserved location RECSTK. This cell is initialized to be a call to MAKE, but the user may supply his own function. The call

```
TOPRST ← RECSTK(N)
```

where N contains the number of words required and the function returns the address of the first word.

Space is released by

```
DC RECUNS(TOPRST);
```

and RECUNS is initialized to FREE.

The cell TOPRST, which is also reserved (i.e. built into the routine) contains the address of the current top of the recursion stack. Its old value is saved in the second word of the stack entry.

If a function call appears in a compiled expression, it is not safe to re-execute the expression inside the function, since the expression may use temporary locations which are not saved when the function is called. Beware.

declaration\_of\_labels

A symbol is declared as a label by writing it at the beginning of a statement followed by a colon. It is treated exactly like a function name: a storage location is reserved for it and initialized to the address of the first instruction of the statement. Any statement can be labeled. A label is assumed to be an integer scalar. If we have  
A:... ; GOTO A; this will compile

```
:A BSS 0; ...;BRU* A; ...;A ZRC :A;
```

so that the right thing happens. If the symbol is preceded by a \$, the label is made an entry.

These conventions for arrays, strings and labels make it very easy for them to be transmitted as arguments.

### Real (floating point) numbers

Real numbers occupy two words of storage rather than one and therefore have a somewhat anomalous status in OSPL, which otherwise takes the position that any kind of quantity only occupies a single word (integers, strings, labels, functions, and arrays all have this property). We define a real operand as a real name (possibly subscripted if an array), a real constant, a real function, a real expression, or an expression tailed by a real field. A real expression may be formed in the following ways:

1. By combining two real operands with any of the following binary operators: +, -, MOD, \*, /. If any of these operators is applied to a real operand and an integer constant, it will convert the constant to a real number. A real operand and any other kind of integer operand will produce an error.
2. By unary + or - applied to a real operand.
3. By the construct <real operand> IF <integer expression> [ELSE <real operand>].

In addition, two real operands may be compared by any of the relational operators (=, #, >, <, >=, <=). The test is made by doing a floating subtraction and testing the result against zero: beware of round-off error in testing for equality. Also, a real operand may appear in a RETURN or SRETURN provided it is the only argument of the operation. There is no restriction on mixing real and non-real arguments of functions: however, the types of the actual arguments in a call must correspond to those in the function definition. The compiler does not check this, and an error will probably cause chaos at run time.

Various special functions are available for doing the same things to real numbers that one can do to integers. RIN and ROUT provide floating point input/output; CSR and CRS provide conversion between reals and strings; FIX and FLOAT convert between reals and integers. These are all discussed in detail in the later sections on special functions. There is a library of mathematical routines with OSPL-compatible calling sequences available, including SIN, COS, TAN, ATAN, EXP, LOG, LOG10, and random number generation: this is described in a separate document.

Control\_Statementsthe\_IF\_construct

The construction

```

IF <expression> DO;
.
.
ELSEIF <expression> DO; (0 or more ELSEIFs
allowed)
.
.
ELSE DO;
.
.
ENDIF;

```

is legal with the obvious meaning. Any sequence of statements balanced with respect to IF and ENDIF may appear in place of the dots. Of course, IF may be nested. Proper use of indentation is strongly recommended. The final ELSE may be omitted.

the\_FOR\_and\_WHILE\_constructions

The construction

```

FOR <for clause> DO;
.
.
ENDFOR;

```

is also allowed. The arbitrary sequence of statements balanced with respect to FOR and ENDFOR which is symbolized by the dots is executed repeatedly under control of the for clause, whose syntax has three forms:

```
<name>+<expression> WHILE <expression>
```

which causes the value of the first expression to be assigned to the name and the second expression tested each time around the loop. When the test fails (value of the expression=0) repetition stops. The assignment and test are performed once before the loop is executed;

```
<name>+<expression> [BY <expression>] TO  
<expression>
```

with the obvious meaning. If the BY is omitted, an increment of 1 is assumed. Repetition continues until the value of the name is greater than the TO expression, unless the latter is a negative constant, in which case it continues until the name is less. A test is performed before the loop is executed for the first time. The special cases

```
I+<expression> BY 1 TO N
```

and

```
I+<expression> BY -1 TO 0
```

are recognized and compiled more efficiently.

The similar construction

```
WHILE <expression> DO;  
  .  
  .  
  .  
ENDFCF;
```

is also allowed. The body of the loop is executed repeatedly as long as evaluation of the expression yields a true (nonzero) result. The expression is evaluated once before the loop is entered for the first time.

Miscellaneous\_Statements

Listing may be controlled with the statements LIST and NOLIST. Either may be followed by SOURCE, CODE, or BINARY, and turns on or off the specified form of output. It is not a good idea to turn binary output on and off, since this will in general produce an unloadable result.

Two special options concerning allocation of variables are also controlled by NOLIST. NOLIST FREE will prevent ZRO's for uninitialized scalars from appearing on the assembly-language listing; this may be useful if re-entrant programs are desired. NOLIST EXTERNAL will cause undeclared variables to be treated as external; normally they are treated as errors and space is assigned for them.

NOLIST PAGED puts the compiler into a mode where the code produced for tailing a paged pointer no longer assumes that the block lies within a single page. It is intended for programs where the user is allocating paged storage himself without regard to page boundaries.

The statement

```
INCLUDE "<file name>";
```

has the effect of placing the entire contents of the named file in the program at that point. This process may be nested, i.e. the file being inserted may itself contain INCLUDES. Note that since the file is inserted verbatim, it should not end with an END statement. The INCLUDE feature is meant primarily for groups of programs with common declarations. To this end, the statement NOLIST INCLUDE is provided with the following effect: if it occurs in the original source file, it has no effect, while if it occurs in an INCLUDED file, it terminates processing of that file. Thus a main program could have the form

```
.
.
. (declarations)
.
. NOLIST INCLUDE;
.
. (remainder of program)
.
```

NOLIST LOCAL  
7

. END;

and any subprogram could use its declarations by INCLUDING it.

The statement

IDENT <name>;

will cause the name to be output to DDT as the program name. No more than one IDENT may appear in a program.

A program should be terminated by an END statement, i.e.

END;



Macro Facility

The format of a macro definition is:

```
DECLARE MACRO
  <name>(<dummies>)+<definition>;
```

where <name> is the name of the macro being defined, <dummies> is the list of dummy argument names, and <definition> is the definition. <name> must be hitherto unmentioned identifier. <dummies> may be an empty list; if it is not empty, it is a sequence of identifiers separated by commas. These identifiers serve only to indicate the place within the definition where actual arguments are to be substituted: their use here does not conflict with their previous or subsequent uses for any purpose. The <definition> is any sequence of tokens (identifiers, numbers, operators, character constants, or string constants) not including a semicolon. It need not be a legal statement, expression, or anything else.

A macro call looks almost like a function call, i.e. has the form <name> (<arguments>); However, the <arguments> are not required to be legal expressions: they need only be sequences of tokens balanced with respect to parentheses, not containing semicolons, and delimited by commas which are not enclosed in inner parentheses. For example, STRING X(20), #, and (B,C) are legal arguments. The effect of the macro call is that the definition, with the actual arguments, replaces the call before any further processing is done on the statement. A macro call may appear anywhere in the statement, not just where a function call would be legal. Macros may call other macros. If listing is being done, statements will be listed before macro substitutions have been performed; this is also true when a statement is listed in response to an error.

A word of warning for those accustomed to the MAMP macro facility. Since substitutions are performed on the basis of tokens rather than characters, no substitution occurs within character or string constants in the definition., e.g.

```
DECLARE MACRO S1(X)←"X"
```

will not cause a substitution. Also, concatenation is not available. Finally, each dummy argument has a name of its own and the proper number of arguments must be supplied at each call.

Two examples of useful macros:

*Very  
restrictive!*

```
DECLARE MACRO INC(X)←X+X+1;
```

causes INC(A) to be equivalent to A+A+1;

```
DECLARE MACRO TWO(X)←(X)*2;
```

causes TWO(X+Y) to be equivalent to (X+Y)\*2. Note that if the definition had been simply X\*2, then TWO(X+Y) would have been equivalent to X+Y\*2, which is presumably not what is wanted.

Special Functions

The following special functions are a standard part of the language. They provide all the built-in storage allocation, string handling and input-output facilities. If more elaborate facilities are required, recourse may be had to machine-language routines. The necessary linkages are described under function calls and declarations above.

1. Storage allocation functionsMAKE, SETARRAY

MAKE(<expression>)

creates a block of storage of the length specified by the expression ( but of at least two cells) and returns a pointer to this block as its value. In fact, one extra cell is assigned by the system; the user should keep his hands off this cell which is the one before the one pointed to by the value of the MAKE function. An alternate form is

MAKE(<expression>,<array name>)

which assigns the block out of the specified array, which must have been properly initialized beforehand by a call of

SETARRAY(<expression>,<array name>);

Only blocks of the size specified in the call of SETARRAY can be assigned in this way. Blocks of any size can be assigned by a simple MAKE.

PMAKE

To allocate space on the drum the function PMAKE should be used. It is exactly like MAKE, except that the second argument, if present, should be a paged pointer to an object near which the new space should be assigned if possible. Proper use of this feature will greatly improve the efficiency with which paged objects are accessed. See the discussion of the PAGED declaration for further information about the proper use of addresses obtained from PMAKE.

FREE

To release a block of storage, do

FREE(<expression>) or FREE(<expression>,  
<array name>)

where the value of the expression is a pointer to the block. The function has no meaningful value. The storage allocator will attempt to coalesce freed blocks, but since it cannot move blocks around, it is possible to fragment storage hopelessly by acquiring and releasing blocks of many different sizes in an indiscriminate manner. If the system runs out of space, it will complain and quit. Note that

FREE(MAKE(4))

acquires and immediately releases a block of four words. It is exactly equivalent to NOP (except for timing). FREE also works for drum space.

#### BCOPY

To copy one block of storage into another one of equal size Use

BCOPY(<expression>,<expression>).

The first expression is a pointer to the destination, the second to the source. These must be pointers acquired by MAKE (or carefully fabricated) since the length of the block is determined from the contents of the extra hidden word provided by MAKE. The source block must have been created by a MAKE with a single argument. If the source block does not have the hidden word,

BCOPY(<expression>,<expression>,  
<expression>)

may be used, where the third argument specifies the number of words to copy.

## 2. Paging facility

### NPG, PM, /SQPDATA, NPB, PCAT

The paging facilities provide a means for the user to allocate and access a large (up to  $2^{19}$  words) address space, by buffering parts of this address space between core and drum in fixed-size pages. The user can specify the page size, the amount of core space to allocate for buffers (which can be changed dynamically during execution), and the size of the address space; individual pages may be locked into core for a time and later allowed to be swapped out again; the user's paged data may be divided into a number of categories, which allows more efficient allocation of space by grouping objects of the same category on the same page.

At the time that INIT is called (see the INITIALIZE function in section 6), certain cells in the runtime are examined to determine the setup of the paging logic. The names of these cells are ~~the~~ pre-declared EXTERNAL. The cell NPL contains the page size as a power of 2, which must be between 8 and 11. The cell NPG contains the size of the desired address space as a multiple of  $2^{NPL}$ ; the size cannot exceed  $2^{19}$ . If NPG contains a zero, it is assumed that no use will be made of the paging logic, and any calls on it will produce error comments. The cell NPB contains the number of core buffers to be provided. If it contains 0, all available space will be used for buffer. The cell NPC contains the highest category number which will be used. The cell PM contains a positive number if the direct drum access machinery, BRS 124-127, is to be used for storing paged data, or a negative number if a random file called /SQPDATA is to be used; the former is somewhat more efficient, especially if the address space is large, but the latter can be accessed by other programs via the ordinary file machinery whereas the former cannot.

A few other cells are of interest. The cell PCAT is examined whenever a call is made to PMAKE. If it contains a non-zero number, the new block will be allocated on a page reserved for data of the designated category. If it contains a zero, the new block will be allocated on some convenient page without reference to category. A call of PMAKE with a valid drum address as the second argument takes precedence over the setting of PCAT.

### LOCK, UNLOCK

A page may be locked into core with

## LOCK(X)

where X is a drum address, the value is the corresponding core address, which is guaranteed to remain valid until the page is unlocked. The function

## UNLOCK(A)

where A is a core address, stores the corresponding drum address in a cell called PADDR and returns the old lock count (which is incremented by LOCK and decremented if non-zero by UNLOCK) as value; it is all right to unlock an unlocked buffer. The cell NUP always contains the number of buffers which are not locked at the moment.

Page buffers are allocated downwards (towards low-numbered addresses) from the initial setting of a cell called ESTORG; the bottom of the buffer area is put into the cell EARRAY by the INIT operation. If the user wants to reduce the amount of space available for buffers, he may use BPUT(X), where X is a core address in a buffer. The buffer will be returned to the pool of space available to the core allocator (MAKE). The converse operation is BGET(X), which restores the buffer for use by the paging logic. Note that the buffer area is defined at INIT time (as the  $NPP * 2 \uparrow NPL$  cells just below (ESTORG) -  $2 \uparrow NPL$  and BPUT and BGET may only be used on address in this range. INIT allocates space up from ESTORG for tables for the drum allocator, leaving the first unused cell in SARRAY. Thus SARRAY and EARRAY bracket the core not used by the paging logic after and INIT, while BSTORG and ESTORG bracket the core available to it before an INIT.

3. String handling functionsstring\_descriptors, SETUP

A string is described by a four word descriptor which specifies the beginning and end of the area assigned to the string, the reader pointer, and the writer pointer. The function

```
SETUP(<string name>,<size>)
```

will obtain a block specified size and set up the descriptor pointed to by the string name to point to that block. The name must already contain a pointer to a descriptor; if it contains a 0 a runtime error will result. The alternate form

```
SETUP(<string name>,<size>,<expression>)
```

will make a descriptor which points to the specified number of characters starting with the word pointed to by the expression. The storage allocator is not involved; it is the programmer's responsibility to create the descriptor; it is the programmer's responsibility to ensure that the proper amount of space is in fact available.

SEIS, SEIR, SETW, LENGTH

To set the reader and writer pointers of a string, use

```
SEIS(<name>,<expression>,<expression>).
```

The first expression specifies the reader pointer, the second the writer pointer (which must be greater; if it is not, the reader is set equal to the writer pointer). Characters are numbered starting at 0. To set the reader pointer only, use

```
SEIR(<name>,<expression>).
```

To set the writer pointer only, use

```
SETW(<name>,<expression>).
```

To obtain the length of a string (writer pointer-reader pointer) use

```
LENGTH(<name>).
```

None of these functions except LENGTH has a meaningful value.

GCI, GCD, WCI, WCD, APPEND, GC

To get the next character from a string and increment the reader pointer, use

GCI(<name>).

If there is no next character, there will be an error comment and a halt. To avoid this, use the alternate form

GCI(<name>:<failure location>)

(see discussion of failure locations below). This convention is also used for the next five functions.

GCD(<name>)

reads a character from the end of the string and decrements the writer pointer.

WCI(<expression>,<name>)

writes the character specified by the expression on the string specified by the name. It fails if there is no room.

WCD(<expression>,<name>)

writes the character on the front of the string, at the location of the reader pointer, and fails for the same reason. These functions have the character written as their value.

APPEND(<name>,<name>)

appends the second string to the first one. It fails if there is not enough room. It has no meaningful value.

GC(<name>)

yields the next character of the string, but does not advance the reader pointer. It never fails, but yields junk if the string is empty.



string\_moving.BCOPY.SCOPY

The expression A+B (where A and B are string names) simply moves the contents of B (presumably a pointer to a descriptor) into A. To copy the descriptor, the BCOPY function might be used, since string descriptors are just 4 word blocks:

```
BCOPY(B,A).
```

Be sure to read the section on BCOPY above. To copy the string, use

```
SCOPY(B,A).
```

The effect is that of SETS(B,0,0) followed by APPEND(B, A). SCOPY, like APPEND, fails if there is not enough room in B.

string/number\_conversion.CNS.CSN.CRS.CSR

To convert a string S to a number, write

```
CSN(S).
```

To convert a number N to a string S, write

```
CNS(N,S).
```

This converts a signed number to its decimal representation, producing only enough digits to accurately represent the number. Extra arguments may be supplied which specify radix (10 assumed) and the number of characters in the string version (-1 or free format assumed). Corresponding operations for floating point numbers are

```
CSN(S)
```

and

```
CRS(R,S).
```

4. File-naming functionsINFILE, OUTFILE, FTYPE, ERROR

A file is opened for input with

```
INFILE(<string name>:<failure location>).
```

the string contains the full name of the file. This function requires the presence of a failure location to which control transfers in the case the function fails. Its value is the file number.

```
OUTFILE(<name>,<expression>[:<failure
location>])
```

does the same thing for output. The expression is the option word which BRS 16 takes in the A-req. It will be assumed to be 0 if not supplied. Both of these operations leave in the location FTYPE the type word returned by the BRS, in case of failure, the error returned by the BRS is in location ERROR.

INNAME, OUTNAME

To acquire file names, use

```
INNAME(<name>:<failure location>)
```

and

```
OUTNAME(<name>:<failure location>)
```

both of which collect the name from the teletype and appends it to the string supplied. Both transfer to the given location in the event of failure, and have the terminating character as value.

CLOSE, CLOSALL

To close a file, do

```
CLOSE(<expression>).
```

The expression's value should be the file number. To close all files, do

```
CLOSALL();
```

5. Input-output functionsCIN, COUT, WIN, WOUT, SOUT, CRLF

To read a character, use

```
CIN(<expression>);
```

The value of the expression should be the file number. This function simply does a CIO. Its value is the character read. To write a character, use

```
COUT(<expression>[,<expression>]);
```

File 1 is assumed if not specified. This function has the character written as argument. To read and write a full word, use WIN and WOUT in exactly the same way. To write a string, use

```
SOUT(<name>[,<file>]).
```

To write carriage returns, use

```
CRLF(<expression>[,<file>]);
```

The expression specifies how many should be written.

IIN, ICUT, RIN, RCUT

To read a number, use

```
IIN(<file>[,<radix>]).
```

Decimal radix is assumed. To write a number, use

```
ICUT(<expression>).
```

Extra arguments, in order, are the file (1 assumed), the radix (10 assumed) and the number of characters to be written (-1 or free format assumed). Characters are discarded from the left; the number is filled out on the left with blanks. A sign is supplied if the number is negative. Corresponding operations for floating point numbers are

```
RIN(<file>[,<format>])
```

for floating input, and

RQUT(<expression>,<file>[,<format>])

for floating output. The format word is explained in R-21: if it is omitted, it will be taken as zero, leading to free format output.

## 6. Miscellaneous functions

### FIX, FLOAT

Two functions are provided for converting between integer and floating point. To convert a floating point number to an integer by truncation, use

FIX(<expression>).

To convert to an integer by rounding, use FIX(X+0.5). To convert an integer to floating point, use

FLOAT(<expression>).

### INITIALIZE

There are three argumentless special functions of general interest. INITIALIZE() initializes the QSPL storage allocator, taking all the space between the contents of BSTORG and the end of core for itself.

The compiler provides an INITIALIZE as the first instruction of the user's program. If the program starts somewhere other than at the beginning and does not begin with an INITIALIZE, the user may say CALL\* INIT,U to DDT before starting the program. Failing this, there will be a disaster as soon as the program calls on any runtime feature.

### HALT,EXIT

The other two functions are

HALT(),

which halts, and

EXIT(),

which does a BRS 10. The compiler generates a BRS 10 automatically at the end of every program.

**BRS, SBRM, RLE**

To execute a BRS, do BRS(N,A,B,X) which sets up the A, B, and X registers and does the BRS numbered N. Trailing arguments may be omitted, and the adjacent commas may be used if one of the registers does not need to be set up. If the BRS is expected to skip, a failure location may be used, which will be used if the BRS does not skip. The value of BRS is the contents of A when the BRS returns: the registers may be saved by a save list as for ordinary function calls.

To execute a SBRM do SBRM(N,A, B, X). Conventions are exactly the same as for BRS.

Arbitrary machine instructions may be generated with POP(OP, N, A,B,X). This works like BRS and SBRM except that the opcode is the value of OP, which must be a constant. Thus, BRS(31,X) and POP(573B,31,X) are equivalent.

The Compiler

A program is compiled with following set of tty actions:

```
@OSPL.
7/14/69  [the date of the last OSPL assembly]
SOURCE FILE: <file name> <terminating character>
           [the terminating character is either "." - assume
           default file for BINARY and LISTING, or "," or ";" -
           demand further file names]
BINARY FILE: <file name> <terminating character>
           [default is NOTHING]
LISTING FILE: <file name> .   [default is NOTHING]
```

```
2 SEC  1 ERRS  243 CELLS  (A:n1,L:n2(n3),I:n4,n5,T:n6,M:n7)
@
```

The "n ERRS" does not appear if there were no errors. The numbers printed out in the compilation summary have the following significance:

- A:n1, number of symbol table cells remaining at end of compilation. The symbol table has about 4900 cells. Symbols take 5 cells, constants take 4 cells.
- L:n2 number of literals (constants) in the literal table. This includes constants actually written in the program, temporary and final values of constant expressions, and other compiler-generated constants such as field masks.
- (n3), number of literals which were never referenced in an instruction.
- I:n4, number of indirect cells generated for labels.
- n5, number of indirect cells generated for arrays and functions.
- T:n6, total number of arithmetic temporary cells generated.
- M:n7 smallest amount of symbol table space encountered at any point during compilation. This number is smaller than the "A" number by roughly the number of tokens in the longest statement in the program. It is the best measure of how close you are to overflowing OSPL's symbol table.

### The Runtime

A subsystem called QRUN contains the QSPL runtime. When called, it puts the runtime code into page 7, read-only, and initializes the pop transfer vector in page 0. It leaves ;F set after its storage and converts itself into DDT. Dumps and continues may be performed exactly as though it were DDT. The user may set up SARRAY to the first unused cell before calling INIT; otherwise, SARRAY gets set to 100k beyond the last non-zero word of the program.



## APPENDIX A

## Runtime Details

**Strings**

A QSPL string descriptor consists of four words, each of which is a character pointer (3\* word address + 0, 1 or 2).

They are:

pointer to character before first character of space allocated to string.

reader pointer for string.

writer pointer for string.

pointer to last character of space allocated to string.

ISD creates such a descriptor. RSD, RSR AND RSW set reader and writer pointers. Characters are counted from 0. RCS reads the characters between reader and writer pointer, WCS writes characters between writer and end pointers. RCP Reads characters between writer and reader pointers. WCB writes characters between reader and beginning pointers. A variable declared STRING must contain the address of a descriptor when it is used in a string operation.

**Pageing\_Logic**

A valid drum address has bit 3 off and bit 4 on; bits 0-2 are ignored and bits 5-23 comprise the actual virtual address. CEA and CEI are used to translate such addresses into core addresses into core addresses; if the desired page is not in core, it is read in (which usually involves writing out some other page). CEAS and CEIS do the same, except that they also set a flag associated with the buffer to ensure that the page will be rewritten on the drum before a new one is brought into the buffer.

**Core\_Storage\_Allocation**

A block allocated by a (fixed) array declaration or by a single-argument call of MAKE contains one more word than was requested by the user. The extra word, which is the one

immediately preceding the zeroth word of the block, contains the total length of the block, including the extra word. The top two bits are used by the storage allocator:

bit 0 is on if the block is free.

bit 1 is on if the next lower block is free.

Blocks allocated by a two-argument call of MAKE do not have this extra word.

An array being used for storage allocation (i.e. one set up by SETARRAY, or the SARRAY array) has the following form:

Word-----Contents

- 1 Length + flag bits, see above
- 0 Bead size, or 0 for an array which allocates variable sized beads (or blocks).
- 1 Address of routine to call when free space is exhausted. This word may be set by the programmer. The system does a CALL\* through it
- 2 Pointer to master free list (or just to free list for arrays allocating fixed size blocks).
- 3 Free space to be allocated.

The free list for a fixed block size array starts at the second word of the array, is linked through the first word of each free block, and terminates with a zero.

The master free list for a variable block size array uses one block for each block size. Three words of this block are used.

- 1 Length + flag bits.
- 0 Back-pointer. Terminates at 0th word of array.
- 1 Pointer to slave-free list for this block size.
- 2 Pointer to next block on master free list.

The blocks on a slave-free list are all of the same size. Two words of each are used.

- 1 Length + flag bits.
- 0 Back pointer on slave-free list.
- 1 Forward pointer on slave-free list, or 0.

The last entry on the master free list may be for block size 2. In this case the third word is not available, but it is not needed, since the master free list is sorted by decreasing block size, and the the smallest possible block size is 2.

## QSPL RUNTIME PCPS

\* on mnemonic means that all central registers not used to return results are destroyed.

+ on mnemonic means that all central registers are cleared.

Code	Mnemonic	Function
100	CALL	Function call. The definition is just BRU* 0. Thus F(A,B) compiles LDA A; LDB B; CALL* F.
101	+ NSC	Numeric to string conversion. (Q) = original integer, (A) = string description address, (B) = radix, (X) = number of characters to write (-1 means free format). CNS(A,S) compiles LDA S; LDB =10; LDX =-1; NSC A.
102	+ MSG	Print string starting at A on teletype with BBS 34. Not output by compiler.
103	+ FIO	Output integer to file. (A) = file number; (C),(B),(X) as for NSC. IOU(A,F,R,G) compiles LDA F; LDB R; LDX G; FIO A.
104	RERR	Runtime error. Q (not (Q)) is the error number.
105	* RCN	Read character, no motion. (Q) = string descriptor address. Reads the character following the one addressed by the descriptor to A. The descriptor is not changed. GC(S) compiles RCN S.
106	* RCS	Read character from string. (Q) = string descriptor address. Reads the character following the one addressed by the descriptor into A, increments the descriptor to point to the character. Skip if string is not empty. GCI(S:F) compiles RCS S; BRU* F.
107	* WCS	Write character (Q) on string (A). See RCS, but writes character from Q. Skip if space left in string. WCI(C,S:F) compiles LDA S; WCS C; BRU* F.

- 110 \* RCB Read character backwards. See RCS, but reads the character which would have been written by the last WCS. GCD(S:F) compiles RCB S; BRU\* F.
- 111 \* WCB Write character backwards. See RCS but writes (Q) into the string so that it will be read by a following RCS. WCD(C,S:F) compiles LDA S; WCB C; BRU\* F.
- 112 + RSD Reset string descriptor. (Q) = string descriptor address, (A) = character number to set read pointer to, (R) = character number to set write pointer to. SETS(S,R,W) compiles LDA R; LDB W; RSD S.
- 113 \* LNG Length of string. (Q) = string descriptor address. Number of characters between base and write pointers (.ie. number of characters of useful information) returned in A. T+LENGTH(S) compiles LNG S; STA T.
- 114 + RSR Reset string read pointer. Same as RSD for read pointer only. SETR(S,F) compiles LDA R; RSR S.
- 115 + RSW Reset string write pointer. Same as RSR for write pointer. SETW(S,W) compiles LDA W; RSW S.\
- 116 + ESC Establish string constant. (Q) as for ISL. The word after the ESC contains a character count, the following words the characters packed 3/word. The string descriptor is set to point to this string and control returns to the word following the last word of the string. S+"ABCD" compiles ESC S; DATA 4; ASC 2,ABCD.
- 117 CEA Compute effective address for paged object. (Q) = drum address. Core address of object returned in X. A preserved, B destroyed. The validity of the core address is guaranteed only until the next paged storage POP. Use CEAS if object is to be modified. A+P.X compiles CEA P; LDA X,2; STA A.

- 120      CEI      Compute effective address, indexed. Same as CEA except that (A) is added to (Q) to get drum address. Use CEIS if object is to be modified. A+P[I] compiles LOX I; CEI P; LDA 0,2; STA A.
- 121      CEAS      Compute effective address for above. Same as CEA, but for storing into object. P.X+A compiles LDA A; CEAS P; STA X,2.
- 122      CEIS      Compute effective address, indexed into array. P[I]+A compiles LDA A; LDX J; CEIS P; STA 0,2.
- 123      RCAL      Recursive call entry. Q (not (Q)) gives number of cells to allocate on stack for arguments and SAVED variables. RECURSIVE FUNCTION F(X,Y), SAVE Z compiles STA RECRG1; LDA 0; RCAL 3; LDA X; STA 2,2; LDA Y; STA 3,2; LDA Z; STA 4,2; LDA RECRG1; STA X; SIB Y.
- 124      RHET      Recursive function exit. Removes block from stack and returns.
- 125      DBLX      Double X register. Used for floating point arrays. If A is a REAL ARRAY, then B+A[I] compiles LDX I; DBLX; LDP+ A; STP B.
- 126      ROUT      Real output. (Q),(Q+1) is the number. (A) = file, (B) = format. ROUT(R,N,Q) compiles LDA N; LDB Q; ROUT R.
- 127      CRS      Convert real to string. (Q),(Q+1) is the number. (A) = string descriptor address, (B) = format. CRS(R,S,Q) compiles LDA S; LDB Q; CRS R.

APPENDIX B

Reserved Words

AND	FREE	OUTNAME
APPEND	FROM	PAGED
ARRAY	FSHIFT	PARAMETER
BCOPY	FUNCTION	PPLUSH
BGET	GC	PMAKE
BINARY	GCD	POP
BPUT	GCI	RCY
BRS	GOTO	REAL
BY	HALT	RECURSIVE
CIN	IDENT	RETURN
CLOSE	IF	RSH
CLOSALL	IIN	SAVE
CODE	INCLUDE	SERM
COUT	INFILE	SCOPY
CNS	INITIALIZE	SETARRAY
CLF	INNAME	SETR
CSN	INTEGER	SETS
DECLARE	IOUT	SETUP
DO	LCY	SETW
ELSE	LENGTH	SOURCE
ELSEIF	LINK	SOUT
END	LIST	SRETURN
ENDFOR	LOCAL	STRING
ENDIF	LOCK	TO
ENTRY	LSH	UNLOCK
FOR	MACRO	WCD
EXIT	MAKE	WCI
EXTERNAL	MOD	WHERE
FIELD	NOLIST	WHILE
FIXED	NOT	WIN
FMASK	OR	WOUT
FOR	OUTFILE	
CRS	FLOAT	SCALAR
CSR	RIN	
FIX	ROUT	

## APPENDIX C

## Standard External Symbols

ESTORG First word of storage available to INIT.

EARRAY Last word not used for page buffers or tables after INIT.

ERROR Error codes left here by INFILE and OUTFILE.

HSTORG Last word of storage available to INIT.

FTYPE File type left here by INFILE and OUTFILE.

NFB Number of core buffers for paging. 0 = all available space.

NFC Desired size of drum address space ( $2^{\uparrow}NPL$ ).  $NFC \leq 2^{\uparrow}(19-NPL)$ . 0 = paging will not be used.

NPL Page size as power of 2.  $8 \leq NPL \leq 11$ .

NUB Number of unlocked pages.

PADDR Drum address of unlocked page.

PCAT Category to be used by PMAKF. 0 = don't care.

PM  $\geq 0$ : use NRH for paging logic. 4B7: use file /SQFDATA. 4B7+F: use file no. F. Any of above + 2B7: recover old state from file.

SARRAY Address of second word not used for page buffers or tables after INIT.



## APPENDIX D

Some of the  
BNF Syntax of QSPL

```

<expr> = <xwhr> $('& <xwhr>);
<xwhr> = <xforx> [WHERE <xforx>];
<xforx> = <xcond> $(FOR <xforc> / WHILE <xwhilc>);
<xforc> = <identifier> ('= / '+) <xcond> ([', <xcond>]
      WHILE <xcond> / [BY <xcond>] TO <xcond>);
<xwhile> = <xcond>;
<xcond> = <xor> [IF <xor> [ELSE <xcond>]];
  <xor> = <xand> $(OR <xand>);
  <xand> = <xnot> $((AND / EOR) <xnot>);
  <xnot> = [NOT] <xrel>;
  <xrel> = <xmod> [(=' / '# / '> / '>= / '< / '<=) <xmod>];
  <xmod> = <xadd> $(MOD <xadd>);
  <xadd> = <xmul> $(('+ / '-) <xmul>);
  <xmul> = <xsign> $('* / '/' / LSH / RSH / LCY / RCY)
      <xsign>);
<xsign> = ['+ / '- / GOTO] <xtail> / (RETURN / SRETURN)
      <xsgn17>;
<xsgn17> = [<xcr> ', <xor> ', <xcr> / <xor> ', <xcr> / <xor>]
      [FROM <xtail>];
  <xfc> = <xtail> ['( <xfcn> ')];
  <xfcn> = [<expr> $('', <expr>)] ['; [failure] [';
      [<identifier>] $('', [<identifier>])];
<failure> = <identifier> / (RETURN / SRETURN) [<xor>];
<xtail> = <xref> $('(.' / '$) <sfield> [<xsubs>] ['+ <xcr>];
  <xref> = $('$) ['@] <xprim> <xsubs>;

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<xsubs> = $('[ <expr> ']);
<xprim> = '( <expr> ' / <isc> / <xsf> / <identifer> /
<constant>;
<isc> = '" $<psch> '" ;
<psch> = '& ('& / ' / ' / <letter> / <octal> <octal>
<octal>) / <otherchar>;
<constant> = <octal> $<octal> B [<digit>] / <digit> $<digit> [D
[<digit>]] / <charcon>;
<identifer> = <letter> $(<letter> / <digit>);
<charcon> = "' <psch> [<psch> [<psch>]] '" ;
<octal> = '0 / '1 / '2 / '3 / '4 / '5 / '6 / '7;
<digit> = <octal> / '8 / '9;
<letter> = 'A / ... / 'Z;
<otherchar> = <any character other than '&, ', or '">;
<stat> = (DECLARE <xdec> / [REAL] RECURSIVE <function> <xfor> /
[RE] <function> <xfcn> / LIST <listop> / NOLIST
<nolistop> / END / IDENT <identifer> / FOR
<xforc> DO / WHILE <xwhile> DO / ELSE DO /
ENDIF / INCLUDE <isc> / <expr>) ' ; / ['$]
<identifer> ' : ;
<function> = FUNCTION / ENTRY;
<listop> = SOURCE / BINARY / CODE;
<nolistop> = <listop> / FREE / EXTERNAL / LOCAL / PAGED /
INCLUDE;
<xfcn> = <fdec> [' , LINK <addr>];
<xfor> = <fdec> [' , SAVE <vlist>];
<fdec> = ['$] <identifer> '( [<vlist>] ');
<vlist> = <grwfd> $(' , <grwfd>);
<grwfd> = $(INTEGER / STRING / ARRAY / PAGED / REAL)
<identifer>;
<token> = <isc> / <identifer> / <constant> / <pmark>;

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<mark> = <any of: "#\$&()\*+,-.:<=>@[]^">;

<xmc> = <identifier> ['( [*<identifier>* \$(' , *<identifier>*)]  
' ) ] '^ \$<token>;

<fielddec> = <identifier> '( <icon> [': <icon> ', <icon>] ');

<paradec> = ['\$] <identifier> '^ <icon>;

<icon> = <expr which evaluates to a constant>;

<xdec> =

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