

Control (and State changing, etc.)

To If \*\*\*\*\* This has changed !!  
The official def is found in the control explanation. I will  
copy it here sometime

To name ← (:exp. ↑ exp)  
"lookup the name in current environment (if not  
there, enter it as most global) and replace BINDING  
with value of "exp" ".

! name.  
"note that the value of the expression on the right "exp" is  
RETURNed when a rebind is attempted, but when used as QUOTE,  
it is the name which is RETURNed."

To Eval :exp :globalenv :return :msg.  
"There are many ways to EVALuate expressions in Smalltalk.  
This one allows the user to set up an arbitrary environment  
for free variable fetches, an arbitrary RETURN process, and  
an arbitrary MESSAGE environment. "Eval" is included here  
since it is very frequently used in definitions of new  
control primitives".

To Repeat :howmany :Loopexp.  
Code repeat.  
Eval Loopexp :global :self EMPTY.  
Code again.

"Repeat EVALs its loop expression in the context of its  
caller."

To Again  
"RETURNS control to the caller of its caller--i.e. to a  
looping control primitive of some kind such as "Repeat"  
which can decide what to do next".

To Done  
"RETURNS control to the caller of (the caller of its  
caller)--to one level further out than a looping control  
primitive. This automatically terminates the loop.  
Eventually "Done" will have an optional argument for  
passing the RESULT of the loop back".

To Create  
"Reschedule caller to be run instead of waiting for a  
subroutine RETURN".  
:call.  
"This causes an evaluation of the argument. So it will also  
be running".

"As seen, "Create" causes a parallel fork in control.  
Actually, this is what happens naturally in  
SMALLTALK---the default message discipline is  
deliberately limited to a subroutine "wait for reply"  
protocol. "Create" simply prevents the caller from being  
passivated".

## To Word

```

„Explain
  ↑"Words are like LISP atoms or ALGOL identifiers. Their basic
  operations have to do with assembly and disassembly of their
  internal structures.
  Words also have a special meaning in the context of
  evaluation. An unquoted instance of a word will be looked
  up (look itself up) when encountered by the EVALuator. So
  cat.first means "look up the most local binding of the
  variable "cat" and APPLY it to .first". But .cat.first
  means " call routine "." which RETURNS the word "cat",
  which is APPLIED to .first, which, as seen below, will
  RETURN "c" ".
  Numbers are words also, but have many additional operations
  having to do with arithmetic and so are defined as a separate
  class."

„ :value.word
  ↑self.
  "...

„first
  ↑"the first character of the printname of the word".

„f
  ↑"same as "first" ".

„last
  ↑"...the last character of the printname of the word"

„l
  ↑"...the same result as for "last". This is just an
  abbreviation."

„butfirst
  ↑"Somehow return all but the first character of the string
  representation of the word."

„bf
  ↑"...same as butfirst."

„butlast
  ↑"Somehow return all but the last character of the string
  representation of the word."

„bl
  ↑"...same as butlast."

„join :value1.word?
  ↑"This is roughly equivalent to the "cons" of LISP. The word
  will be connected to the list in "value1", and a new list
  reference will be returned."

„wjoin :value1.word?
  ↑"This is roughly equivalent to concatenate in SNOBOL. The
  printname of the two words are joined together to produce a
  new word which is returned. .cat wjoin .dog produces
  .catdog."

„word?
  ↑value.

„empty?
  ↑EMPTY.

„length
  ↑"Somehow calculate the length (in characters) of the

```

number (including "-" and ".") ..."

.print

!"Return a string representation of the object which may be displayed. Each class which has instances which have a meaningful visual representation will have a meaning for .print. This is much simpler than having to inform a global print routine about the format of each new class."

## To Number

## „Explain

↑"Numbers work in a very intuitive way. The READ program recognizes number literals and creates instances for them in storage. The bits that represent the particular instance of a number are stored in the variable "value" and can be changed by assignment as shown. This might be illegal if it is decided that numbers are unique atoms. The opposite is assumed here."

## „← :value,number?

↑ self.

If a "↑" is recognized in the input stream, what follows is evaluated and bound to "value" which is applied to number? which returns TRUE if it is. The actual value of the number object itself has been changed so that other objects which have pointers to "self" will feel the change. This might be made illegal.

## „first

↑"Somehow return the first character of the number which is "-" if negative, is "." if between 0 and 1, and a digit from 0 to 9 otherwise. It may be reasonable to calculate this value rather than keep a string representation of the number around."

## „f

↑"...the same result as for "first". This is just an abbreviation."

## „last

↑"Somehow return the last character of the number which is "." if greater than 1 and known inexactly, and a digit from 0 to 9 otherwise. It may be reasonable to calculate this value rather than keep a string representation of the number around."

## „l

↑"...the same result as for "last". This is just an abbreviation."

## „butfirst

↑"Somehow return all but the first character of the string representation of the number."

## „bf

↑"...same as butfirst."

## „butlast

↑"Somehow return all but the last character of the string representation of the number."

## „bl

↑"...same as butlast."

## „join :value1,word?

↑"This is roughly equivalent to the "cons" of LISP. The word will be connected to the list in "value1", and a new list reference will be returned."

## „wjoin :value1,word?

↑"This is roughly equivalent to concatenate in SNOBOL. The printname of the two words are joined together to produce a new word which is returned. cat wjoin dog produces

```

    ,catdog."

number?
  |value.
  |"Anything not EMPTY will act as TRUE."

word?
  |value.

empty?
  |EMPTY.

length
  |"Somehow calculate the length (in characters) of the
  |number (including "-" and ".") ."

print
  |"Return a string representation of the object which may be
  |displayed. Each class which has instances which have a
  |meaningful visual representation will have a meaning for
  |.print. This is much simpler than having to inform a global
  |print routine about the format of each new class."

" = :value1,number?
  |"value if value and value1 are numerically EQUAL, otherwise
  |EMPTY. Note that this allows "a=b=c" to work correctly."

" x :value1,number?
  |"EMPTY if value and value1 are not numerically EQUAL,
  |otherwise value. Note that this allows "a=b=c" to work
  |correctly."

" < :value1,number?
  |"value if value is numerically less than value1, otherwise
  |EMPTY. Note that this allows "a<b<c" to work correctly."

" > :value1,number?
  |"value if value is numerically greater than value1, otherwise
  |EMPTY.. Note that this allows "a>b>c" to work correctly."

" + :value1,number?
  |"value added to value1."

" - :value1,number?
  |"value1 subtracted from value."

" * :number?
  |"value multiplied by value1."

" / :value1,number?
  |"value divided by value1."

" mod :value1,number?
  |"value modulo value1."

" ip
  |"...the integer part of value."

" fp
  |"...the fractional part of value."

" exp
  |"...the exponent (to the base 10) of value."

" mag

```

↑ if value < 0 then (0 - value) else value.

<other numeric functions which are stored as attributes>  
sin, cos, other trig functions etc.